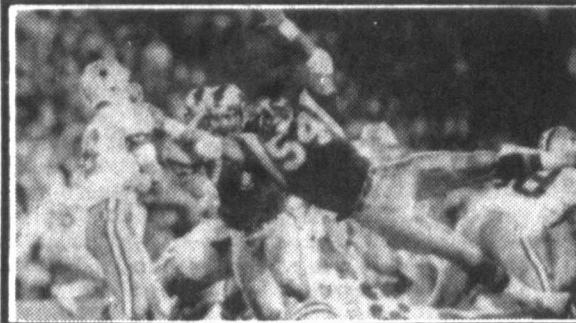


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Shultz: Advised Reagan against arms sales

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz said today he advised President Reagan against selling arms to Iran, but said, "I knew nothing about" the "illegal" diversion of profits from those transactions to rebels battling the Nicaraguan government.

"My role in that was zero," Shultz told the House Foreign Affairs Committee under oath in an unusual, nationally televised morning hearing delving into the Reagan administration's worst crisis.

Asked about President Reagan's weekend statement that mistakes were made in the affair, Shultz said, "It was a mistake to get involved in the illegal

... funds transfer." He said he didn't want to appear to be speaking as a judge, but added, "From what I have seen and what the attorney general said some things took place that were illegal."

Shultz said that not only was the diversion illegal, but served to confuse American foreign policy toward Nicaragua.

Shultz was limited to two hours of testimony because he was committed to greeting President Seko Mobutu of Zaire, and also was scheduled to depart later today for Brussels, Belgium, to speak with European allies.

Shultz said he was prepared to cooperate fully

with the committee in its probe into the Reagan administration's foreign policy controversy, and said he already has been interviewed by Justice Department.

"I am firmly in support of what is taking place, namely the president's determination to make the facts available to the appropriate committees of Congress" and investigators and to "deal with any wrongdoing," he said.

The secretary reiterated President Reagan's statements of the weekend, in which Reagan acknowledged that "mistakes were made" in connection with the decision to seek contacts with moderates in Iran.

But Shultz said the uproar stemming from disclosures of funds transfers to Nicaraguan rebels should not be allowed to uproot the basic foundation of the administration's foreign policy.

"President Reagan is a freedom fighter, and the world knows it, and I stand with President Reagan," Shultz told the panel. "... Let us show the strength of our free institutions by showing every detail of this Iran episode ... but as we do so, let's keep this country moving ahead" to meet the dangers and challenges in the world.

Under questioning by committee members,

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U.S. aids Honduras battle Nicaraguans

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — Honduran troops, ferried by U.S. helicopters flying on President Reagan's orders, today were reported battling Nicaraguan soldiers said to have advanced three miles across the ill-defined, rugged border.

Honduras reported 18 soldiers killed in the fighting and said there were "many dead and wounded" Nicaraguan troops.

Nicaragua denied its troops were inside Honduras and said seven soldiers and two civilians were killed in warplane attacks on Nicaraguan villages.

There were no reports of casualties of the American forces, who were ordered to remain away from the fighting. U.S. officials said they would not release details on the airlift until it was deemed to be not militarily useful to Nicaragua, but they said the helicopters were unarmed and that the flights were expected to end today.

Honduran President Jose Azcona Hoyo said Sunday he had asked for U.S. aircraft to ferry reinforcements. The State Department in Washington said President Reagan, "after consulting with his senior advisers, agreed to provide the requested aircraft support."

In March, U.S. aircraft and crews ferried Honduran troops to the border when some 1,500 Nicaraguan soldiers penetrated Honduran territory in pursuit of Contras.

About 700 Nicaraguan troops reportedly crossed the border on Saturday and set fire to three deserted Honduran villages near the town of Cifuentes. The villages were abandoned more than six months ago because of tension along the mountainous, jungle border.

The incursion by the Sandinista troops was the fifth into Honduras reported in seven months. U.S.-backed Contra rebels fighting to overthrow the Nicaragua

government operate from bases in southern Honduras.

Capt. Carlos Quezada Aguilar, spokesman for the Honduran armed forces, said Sunday that the fighting around Cifuentes was "of considerable proportions."

Honduran military intelligence sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said about 600 soldiers were being flown in UH-1H Huey and CH-47 Chinook helicopters to the border "to accelerate the removal of Nicaraguan forces from our territory."

The sources said the reinforcements were joining about 1,000 troops from Honduras' 6th and 9th Infantry Battalions, backed by helicopter gunships.

U.S. helicopters took off from the U.S.-operated air base at Palmerola, 35 miles northwest of Tegucigalpa, and landed the Honduran troops about 20 miles from the fighting, U.S. officials in the capital said.

Gen. John Galvin, commander of American forces in the Southern Hemisphere, was in Tegucigalpa to supervise the airlift, according to U.S. officials.

In Managua, the Nicaraguan capital, Foreign Minister Miguel D'Escoto denied Nicaraguan troops were in Honduras and said "if the Honduran army is having a confrontation with some Nicaraguans it would have to be with the Contras." He claimed that U.S. warplanes bombed two Nicaraguan villages Sunday afternoon.

The Nicaraguan Defense Ministry said seven Nicaraguan troops were killed and nine wounded in warplane attacks near the headquarters of the First Brigade, four miles northeast of Murra and about 14 miles southwest of the Honduran border.

Attacks on Wiwili, about 16 miles south of the Honduras border, killed two girls, aged 4 and 11, and wounded three soldiers, the ministry said.

Commissioners to seek park grant application

Pampa city commissioners Tuesday will consider authorizing submission of an application for a grant for a proposed park across the street from the old Schneider Hotel.

Meeting at City Hall at 6 p.m., the commissioners will study the parks proposal submitted by Parks and Recreation Department Director Reed Kirkpatrick. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board approved recommending the grant application submission to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department during its regular meeting last week.

The board recommended the proposal featuring a Turn of the Century theme with a central gazebo in the old motel lot in the 100 block of South Russell.

The park, which also would include handicapped accessible walks, benches, landscaping and lighting, would cost an estimated \$33,000, with the grant matching

50 percent of the cost on a reimbursement basis.

In other action items, commissioners will consider:

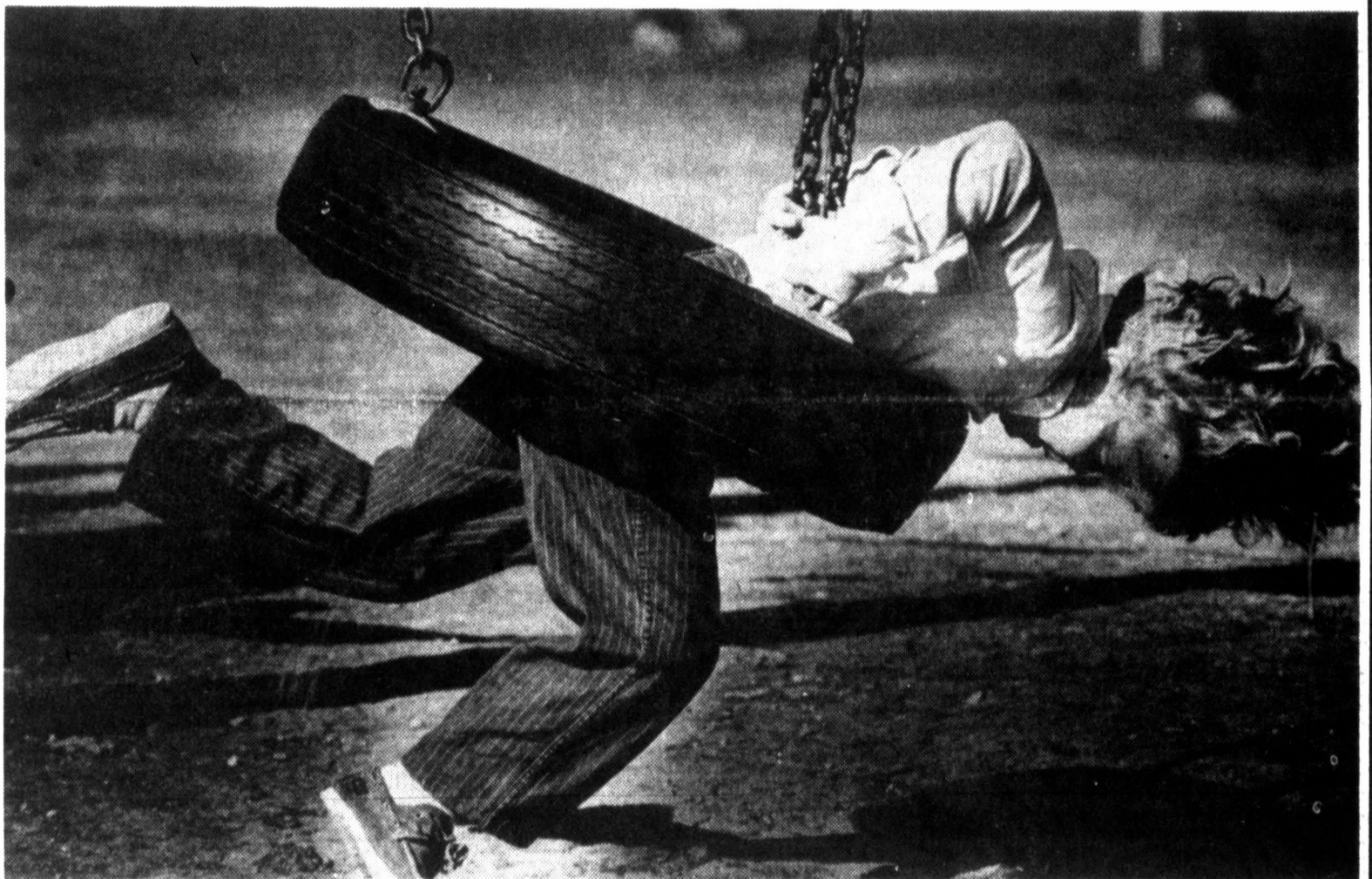
- approving on second and final reading an ordinance limiting parking on 23rd Avenue between Wells and Nelson streets near Travis Elementary School;

- authorizing payments to Wagner and Klein, Lewis Construction and Kelley Engineering for continuing projects; and

- cancelling the regular Dec. 23 meeting of the City Commission.

During City Manager Bob Hart's report section, the commissioners will hear a review of the Main Street Project activities, a report on the Dec. 5 meeting of the Community Awareness and Emergency Response Steering Committee, a report on the National League of Cities meeting and a reminder of the Jan. 27, 1987 Leadership Pampa meeting.

It's recess time!



Hollie Logue, 8, daughter of Tommy and Jo Logue of 2207 Wilson, takes advantage of free moments recently during recess time at William B. Travis Elementary School to play on the tire swing at the school's playground. (Staff photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Pampa, area students do well Saturday in band, choir and speech competition

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

Pampa and other area school students were busy over the weekend with various band, choir and speech contests in Amarillo. Pampa band and choir students gained a number of top places in their competitions, and Canadian students placed well in speech competition.

BAND

AMARILLO — Pampa middle school and high school freshman musicians blew away the competition at the Class CCC All-Region Band tryouts Saturday at West Texas State University.

Out of 500 area junior high school students and high school freshmen who auditioned, 24 Pampa music students made the honor band, Pampa High School Band Director Charles Johnson said.

Pampa swept the top of the bass clarinet sections with Mary White, Anthony Gilbreath and Leslie Bailey taking first, second and third chairs respectively.

Other first chair Pampa students were Billy Brinsfield, alto saxophone, Thurston Selby, baritone saxophone; Jenny Shufflerberger, alto clarinet, and Chris Johnston, trumpet.

Doug Williams placed second chair in mallets. Amy Turner placed third chair clarinet and Brandon Wood third chair trumpet. Gina Barnett placed fourth chair flute.

Other Pampa band students placing at the tryouts were: Flutes — Jessica Hall, sixth chair; Chantelle Rohrbacker, eighth; Amy Hamron, 12th. Clarinets — Brandie Eads, 11th; Becky Whiteley, 13th; Teena Jacobs, 18th, and Heather Kludt, 19th. Trumpets —

Tommy Winkleblack, sixth; David Parker, 10th, and Kurt Krause, 12th.

Whit White made sixth chair in the baritone horns section. Gary Brawley made first alternate for snare drums and Amy Forrester made first alternate for French horn.

CHOIR

AMARILLO — Nine out of 14 Pampa High School students made All-Area Choir Saturday at auditions at Tascosa High School.

Canadian High School junior Amy Hester also made the All-Area Choir, making this her third trip to All-State competition. She made second chair first soprano.

The seven top students in each section of the All-Area Choir will advance to All-State Choir competition in January at Odessa.

PHS Choir Director Fred Mays said Pampa had more students qualify for All-Area than any other school in the region.

PHS students making the honor choir are Chris Wilson, first chair second tenor; Anissa Bradsher, second chair first alto; Cyndi Epperly, second chair second soprano; Brian Hogan, second chair first bass; Maria Jett, second chair second alto; Grant Peurifoy, third chair first tenor; Kathy Smith, third chair first alto; Ricky Chapman, fourth chair second tenor, and Kenny Steward, third chair second tenor.

Donnie Berry made first alternate second bass and Chris Gustin made second alternate first tenor.

The students were joined by PHS choir members Ronnie Berry, Rankin Harvey, Paula Hubbard and Benita Rodgers at the All-Region Choir concert Saturday night at West Texas State University.

SPEECH

AMARILLO — Canadian High School placed in the top 10 schools at Saturday's

Amarillo High School Texas Forensic Association and University Interscholastic League Invitational Speech Tournament.

But the contest was more of a learning experience than a competition for Pampa and Miami high school speech students.

Canadian's Amja Laubhan placed first in poetry while teammate Mike Wagner placed second in prose reading. Placing fourth were Elisa Thrasher in poetry and the team of Tiffany Crouch and Thrasher in duet acting.

Other finalists were Chip Clark in men's extemporaneous speaking and Seth Crouch in humorous interpretation. Semifinalists were Catherine Harris and Mandy Wright in original oratory, Frank Young in men's extemporaneous, and Laubhan and Wright in duet acting.

Christy Searl of Miami made finals in prose reading while Mindee Flowers advanced to semifinals in women's extemporaneous.

Competing against 5A schools from San Antonio and Lewisville, Pampa speech students failed to advance beyond preliminaries, but PHS speech teacher Julie Williams isn't complaining.

"We were right underneath the ones who advanced," Williams said. "It was a real heartbreaker."

"This is the first time we've had a speech program in years and years," Williams added. "But the kids are really enthusiastic. And we're building. We had six at our first speech contest and 44 at this one."

Williams said she was pleased with the students' accomplishments, adding that this was the first meet some of them had attended. She noted several had planned to enter two or more events but encountered scheduling difficulties at the meet.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

BRITTEN, A.F. "Wish" - 10 a.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Groom.
MULLINS, Charles Ray - 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, McLean.

Obituaries

CHARLES RAY MULLINS

SHAMROCK - Services for former Pampa and McLean resident Charles Ray Mullins, 75, of Shamrock will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in McLean First Baptist Church with Rev. Earl Maddux, pastor of Pampa First Fellowship Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean under the direction of Richerson Funeral Home of Shamrock.

Mr. Mullins died Friday. Survivors include his wife, Pauline; three daughters, a son, two sisters, a brother and five grandchildren.

A.F. BRITTEN

GROOM - A funeral mass for A.F. "Wish" Britten, 87, will be said at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with Rev. Richard Neyer officiating.

Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery at Groom under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Bell Avenue Chapel of Amarillo.

A prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. today at the church.

Mr. Britten died Saturday. Mr. Britten had been a resident of Groom for 79 years. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was preceded in death by his wife, Nell, in 1981.

Survivors include three daughters, Willie Mae Barnett and Betty Rae Brown, both of Groom, and Carol Stroppe, Panhandle; a son, Maynard Britten, Oklahoma City, Okla.; 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to the Groom Economic Development Committee at State National Bank in Groom.

Hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions
Shon Clinkingbeard, Pampa
Ruby Dalton, Pampa
Barbra Helton, Pampa
Helen Lumpkin, Miami
Allen Brown, Pampa
Valda Ferguson, Pampa
Lavada Gaffney, White Deer
Martha Madley, Pampa
Ruby Morrow, Pampa
Keven Rummill, Booker
Anna Searcy, Skellytown

Dismissals
Darrell Angel, Pampa
Delores Fitzgerald, Tucumcari, N.M.
Richard Gaines, Wheeler
Gordon Golden, Pampa
D.B. James, Pampa
Rana McDonald and infant, Pampa
Ellen Moore, Pampa
Houston Price, Pampa
Phillip Rapstine, Pampa
Ruth Sewell, Pampa
Richard Sierman, Lefors
Tommy Stall, Pampa
Mary Veale, Skellytown

Bryan Waldrip, Pampa
Jennifer Ames, Pampa
Maybell Coe, Pampa
James King, Pampa
Janet Langston, Pampa
Twyla Owens and infant, Wheeler
Jessica Patton, Pampa
Romona Portillo and infant, Pampa
Tracy Sellers, Pampa
Tisha Vargas, Liberal, Kan.
Carla Waldruth, Lubbock
J.B. Andrus, Elk City, Okla.
Johnetta Grayville, McLean
Samuel Holbrook, Rita Lewis, Wellington
Jewel Dayberry, Shamrock
Willie B. Tate, Shamrock
Lucinda Davis, Shamrock
Daniel Briggs, Shamrock
Carla Waldruth, Lubbock
Mary Griffins, Shamrock
Johnetta Grayville, McLean

Police report

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

SATURDAY, Dec. 6

Theft was reported at C.R. Anthony Co., Coronado Center; estimated loss was \$41.98.

Theft was reported at Stuart's Dress Shop, Pampa Mall; estimated loss was \$31.93. Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of Beryl.

Theft was reported at Dunlap's, Coronado Center; estimated loss was \$535.

A 38-year-old woman reported sexual assault in an unknown block on Farley.

SUNDAY, Dec. 7

Theft was reported at Sarah's, Coronado Center.

A court order violation was reported in the 1100 block of Juniper.

Billy Darrell Richards, 931 E. Francis, reported theft of a tree from the front yard of the residence.

Theft of gasoline was reported at Shop-A-Minit, Price and Kentucky.

Arrest-City Jail

SUNDAY, Dec. 7

Shirley Landers Young, 26, 1128 Prairie Drive, was arrested at Oklahoma and Hobart on a capias warrant; Young was released upon payment of a fine.

Arrests-County Jail

Danny Royce Wilemon, Lefors, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety on Texas Highway 152, three miles west of Pampa, on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to maintain a single lane.

Stephen Anthony Joyce, Shamrock, was arrested by the DPS on Highway 152, 22 miles east of Pampa, on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to maintain a single lane.

Minor accidents

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

SATURDAY, Dec. 6

A 1979 Chevrolet, driven by Benny Thomas Wyant, 629 N. Wells, collided with a light pole in the 300 block of West Foster. Wyant refused medical treatment for noninfecting injuries. Wyant was cited for driving at an unsafe speed.

SUNDAY, Dec. 7

A 1976 Oldsmobile, driven by Ricky Wilson, Amarillo, collided with a legally parked vehicle in the 700 block of North Gray. No injuries were reported. Wilson was cited for unsafe backing, no drivers license and failure to display proof of liability insurance.

Fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported no fire runs for a 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat	2.25
Milo	2.75
Corn	3.15

The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation.

Damon Oil	1/2	NC
Ky. Cent. Life	57 1/2	NC
Serco	2 1/2	NC

The following 30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco	34	dn 1/4
Cabot	39 1/2	NC
Celanese	24 1/4	up 1/4
DIA	14 1/4	dn 1/4
Enron	4 1/4	up 1/4
Halliburton	2 1/4	dn 1/4
HCA	3 1/4	dn 1/4
Ingersoll-Rand	6 1/4	dn 1/4
KNE	1 1/4	dn 1/4
Kerr-McGee	29 1/2	NC
Mess Ltd.	1 1/4	dn 1/4
Mobil	39 1/2	dn 1/4
Pennsey's	8 1/4	up 1/4
Phillips	10 1/4	dn 1/4
SLB	3 1/4	NC
SPS	3 1/4	dn 1/4
Tenneco	3 1/4	dn 1/4
Texaco	3 1/4	dn 1/4
Zales	4 1/4	up 1/4
London Gold	390.50	
Silver	5.42	

Concerns about the Soviets influenced Iran initiative

WASHINGTON (AP) — Concern over increased Soviet involvement in Iran was a major factor contributing to President Reagan's secret diplomatic initiative to Iran in the summer of 1985, according to knowledgeable U.S. officials.

Reagan has mentioned his concerns about possible Soviet involvement there only in passing in justifying his initiative, but officials said that issue was a more important motivating factor than has been disclosed publicly.

"Geography explains why the Soviet Union has sent an army into Afghanistan to dominate that country and, if they could, Iran and Pakistan," Reagan said in a

Woman tells police she was assaulted

A 38-year-old Pampa woman reported being sexually assaulted by a man who picked her up in a Brown Street bar late Saturday.

The woman was treated and released at Coronado Community Hospital after the alleged rape.

According to police reports, the man offered to drive the woman to her home on Scott Avenue in southeast Pampa, but instead drove to Farley Street on the southwest city limits, where the alleged incident occurred in his pickup truck. The woman told police she did not know which block of Farley she was taken to.

Police would not identify the bar where the woman reported being picked up.

No arrests had been made by this morning in connection with the alleged assault.

Nov. 13 speech. It was his only reference to the Soviet Union in the speech.

U.S. officials who are privy to the origins of the overture to Iran said the United States has been haunted for years about Soviet intentions toward that country.

The officials, who insisted on anonymity, recalled that the Soviets occupied northern Iran during World War II to forestall German influence there and continued their occupation for more than a year after the German defeat in 1945. They withdrew only under heavy American pressure, one of the first contentious issues of the Cold War.

With that precedent in mind, the administration became worried in the summer of 1985 when Soviet troop movements were detected along Iran's northern border, the officials said.

"We were profoundly concerned," one official said, adding that this was one of several reasons why the administration felt Iran might be receptive to an American overture.

Soviet domination of Iran would be a major strategic setback for the United States and

Western Europe because Moscow then would be in a position to influence oil supplies from Iran and other Persian Gulf countries, the officials said.

They added that of all the regions in the world, few, if any, are more likely to produce a Soviet-American confrontation than Iran, given the conflicting interests of the two superpowers.

Underlining the importance that the Soviets attach to Iran, is the presence of five Soviet divisions along that country's border with Iran and the stationing of 600 diplomats at Moscow's Embassy in Tehran, the officials said.

A year and a half ago the administration felt the most dangerous option for the United States would be to allow events to take their course without attempting to influence them, the officials said.

With these concerns in mind, the administration quietly opened discussions with Iran, setting in motion a process that led to U.S. arms deliveries to that country and, ultimately, to the most difficult period of the Reagan presidency.

City briefs

CONCHOS, HEARTS, Triangles, Crystals and etc. Also Dallas Dresscutters Fabrics, 700 Warren, White Deer. 4 blocks South of Pete's Greenhouse. 883-3821. Fabrics Galore Inc. Adv.

\$5 MUST be paid in advance. Candy classes, December 11, 7:30 p.m. Sign up Gay's Cake and Candy, 310 W. Foster. 669-7153. Adv.

RENT A Booth at J and J Flea Market, 123 N. Ward. 665-3375. Open Saturday, 9-5. Sunday, 12-5. Adv.

BETTE'S LARGE Size Fashions. Different specials every day until Christmas. Open Sunday 1-5. 708 N. Hobart. Adv.

VFW POST 1657 business meeting, Tuesday, December 9th, 7:30 p.m. 1002 N. Hobart.

Shultz

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Shultz denied that he had personally appealed to the sultan of Brunei for money to help the Contra counterrevolutionaries who are opposing the leftist Sandinista government in Managua.

"It would not be proper for me to talk about any particular third country, so I will not do that," Shultz said. "I did visit Brunei. It was the ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) country that I had not visited. ... But there were no conversations (the sultan) ... by me on this matter."

Shultz quickly added, however, that the law Congress passed barring direct or indirect U.S. military aid to the Contra rebels "did not preclude activities of the Department of State to solicit humanitarian assistance" for the resistance. ... There was nothing illegal about it. There was nothing improper about it. ... It was the policy of the United States. ... We went about it very carefully."

Shultz made no secret of his opposition to the president's decision to sell arms to Iran at the time the policy became known. But he said some material about those sales could not be discussed in open session, and invited a closed-door meeting to lay out further details.

Shultz's testimony came as the Senate Intelligence Committee was beginning a second week of closed door hearings on the connection between the Iran arms sales and the provision of funds to Contra rebels in Nicaragua.

In the meantime, in an indication that the president is determined to pursue his policy of aid to the Contras despite the furor, U.S. helicopters were flying Honduran troops to battle an incursion by Nicaraguan forces. A statement released Sunday by the State Department said Reagan agreed Saturday night to provide the requested support, using U.S. military helicopters located at an air base in Honduras.

Reagan, at the urging of House and Senate members from both parties, called last week for an independent counsel to investigate the Iran arms sales, which sent up to \$30 million to aid Nicaragua's Contra rebels.

That, coupled with his remarks Saturday, had even Democratic critics saying he seemed to be moving in the right direction to deal with the crisis that has seen his popularity plummet in recent weeks according to several polls.

In a survey conducted for Newsweek magazine before his Saturday speech, 10 percent of the Americans questioned said they believed Reagan when he said he knew nothing of the transfer of Iranian arms sale profits to the Contras.

That poll found his general performance rating had dropped 16 points in less than a month — to 47 percent — and that 56 percent said it would be worse if the president really did not know about the Contra operations than if he knew and approved.

In his remarks Saturday, Reagan said of his Iranian-Contra-hostage policies that "while we're still seeking all the facts, it is obvious that the execution of these policies was flawed and mistakes were made."

Democratic and Republican lawmakers said Sunday they welcomed Reagan's concession but urged him to move further and faster in disclosing details of the convoluted transactions.

Rep. Thomas Foley, D-Wash., the incoming House majority leader, said Reagan's Saturday speech "sets the right tone for the administration's reaction to the (upcoming) investigations."

"The right strategy is, number 1, to come up front," said Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C. "The president is moving in that direction. He said yesterday that he thought some mistakes had been made. That's quite a concession."

Republicans went further.

The Republican leader in the Senate, Bob Dole of

Kansas, called the president's address "a big step in the right direction" and predicted "a turnaround" in the political mood.

Sen. Paul Laxalt, a Nevada Republican and confidant of Reagan, also welcomed the president's speech but urged him to go further to "marshal all the forces in the federal government, the FBI and everything else, and get ahead of the information."

"You shouldn't sit idly by in the weeks and months ahead on a Chinese water treatment basis and have these disclosures," said Laxalt, appearing on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Dole, appearing on CBS, cited unidentified sources on the Senate intelligence committee as saying that panel's probe "may have a dry hole there."

The panel, he said, "may have gone about as far as they are going to go. And maybe this isn't such a big, big thing."

Although Reagan talked of mistakes being made, he did not specify who made them, what they were, or when they were made.

Meanwhile, White House Communications Director Patrick Buchanan, writing in today's editions of The Washington Post, attacked the "Republican Party establishment" for disloyalty to the president during this crisis.

"With a few honorable exceptions — (Sens.) J. Strom Thurmond (R-S.C.) and Tec Stevens (R-Alaska) — the whole damn pack has headed for the tall grass," Buchanan wrote. "What a classic portrait of ingratitude!"

Buchanan did not specify which Republicans he believed to be abandoning the president.

Rep. Jim Wright, D-Texas, in line to become House speaker, said he believed the Iran and Contra connections may have broken several laws, including those that require the administration to notify Congress of clandestine actions and sizeable arms sales and prohibit it from aiding guerrilla movements without congressional approval.

Additional details surfaced in a variety of news reports based on anonymous sources:

■ The New York Times reported in today's editions that former national security adviser John Poindexter persuaded Reagan to resume arms shipments to Iran after Reagan had decided in December 1985 to end them.

Poindexter argued during a Jan. 7 meeting that resuming sales was the only way to free American hostages in Lebanon, the Times said.

■ Newsweek, however, said Poindexter was neutral on whether to resume shipments. The magazine said CIA Director William Casey pushed for the arms shipments at the meeting. The Times' account of the same meeting said Casey's position was unclear.

■ The Miami Herald reported Sunday that the White House had precise evidence three years ago that Iran ordered and paid for terrorist bombings that killed 258 U.S. servicemen and diplomats in Beirut in 1983.

■ Newsweek said Casey solicited contributions of \$200 million in 1984 and \$240 million in 1985 from Saudi Arabia's King Fahd. The money, Newsweek reported, went to CIA Swiss bank accounts primarily to finance the anti-communist resistance in Afghanistan.

■ Newsweek also reported that some money from the U.S.-Iran arms deal went from Swiss accounts to Israel, where it was used to purchase weapons, largely Soviet-made, for the Contras.

■ The Washington Post, in today's editions, quoted unidentified informed sources as saying Reagan and his top advisers failed to tell their own secret interagency counterterrorism group they were selling arms to Iran.

Children becoming expert smugglers

MALLEN (AP) — More and more, Mexico-based organized crime rings are using children to smuggle drugs and aliens across the Rio Grande and to steal cars from border cities, authorities say.

The "Pachucitos" are used because Texas law

does not allow criminal prosecution of juveniles younger than 17, the San Antonio Express-News reported Sunday.

Usually, the only recourse available to law enforcement officials is placing the youths in the custody of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, which then deports them to Mexico.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Traveler's advisory in effect through tonight as freezing rain mixed with snow, accumulation up to one inch, is possible. Low tonight near 20 and high tomorrow near 30 with northerly winds 5-10 mph. Sunday's high 38; overnight low 29. Moisture accumulation was .04 inches in the 24-hour reporting period ending this morning.

REGIONAL FORECASTS

By The Associated Press

WEST TEXAS — A traveler's advisory for the Panhandle tonight. Scattered rain most sections tonight and north Tuesday. Rain and freezing rain South Plains this morning and freezing rain and light snow Panhandle tonight causing hazardous driving conditions with maximum snow accumulations one to two inches north. Light snow Tuesday north and decreasing cloudiness southwest Tuesday. A gradual cooling trend. Lows tonight 20s north and mostly 30s south. Highs Tuesday near 30 north to mid 50s south.

NORTH TEXAS — A flash flood in effect tonight. Cloudy rain and scattered thunderstorms tonight. Rain ending from the west by Tuesday with temperatures turning colder. Lows tonight ranging from near 30 west to the mid 50s east. Highs on Tuesday ranging from the around 40 west to the mid 50s east.

SOUTH TEXAS — Occasional thunderstorms east tonight with scattered showers west and south. Lows in the 50s north to 60s south. Decreasing cloudiness west Tuesday. Cloudy east and south with widely scattered showers. Highs in the mid 60s north to near 80 far south.

EXTENDED FORECASTS

Wednesday through Friday

The Forecast for 7 a.m. EST, Tue., Dec. 9



West Texas — Cold with a chance of snow or rain. Snow mainly north Wednesday and Thursday becoming mostly fair Friday. Panhandle and South Plains lows 20s. Highs 30s and 40s. Permian Basin and Concho Valley lows 30s. Highs 40s and 50s. Far west lows 30s. Highs 40s and 50s. Big Bend region lows 20s mountains to 30s elsewhere. Highs 40s and 50s mountains to 60s elsewhere.

South Texas — Mostly cloudy and cooler with a chance of rain Wednesday through Friday. Lows from the 40s north to the 50s south, 60s extreme south Wednesday. Cooling into the 50s extreme south Thursday and Friday. Highs from the 60s north to the 70s south Wednesday, cooling into the 50s north to the 60s south Thursday and Friday.

North Texas — A chance of rain mainly south and east portions. Otherwise cloudy and cool. Lowest temperatures in the lower 30s northwest to the lower 40s southeast. Highest readings in the mid 40s northwest to the mid

50s southeast.

BORDER STATES FORECASTS

NEW MEXICO — Decreasing chance for showers and colder tonight. Tuesday partly cloudy south and west but turning sharply colder with snow showers northeast. Lows tonight from the teens and low 20s over the mountains and north to the upper 20s and 30s south.

OKLAHOMA — A winter storm watch is in effect for tonight. Accumulations of 2 inches to 4 inches of snow expected in Panhandle and northwest. Occasional light rain expected elsewhere through tonight with a few scattered thunderstorms southeast. Windy and cold Tuesday with scattered light rain mainly east. Highs today near 30 panhandle to upper 60s extreme southeast. Lows tonight low 20s Panhandle to low 40s southeast. Highs Tuesday near 30 Panhandle to mid 40s southeast.

Texas/Regional

Texans recall Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor

By The Associated Press

JoAnn Nelson remembers the shaky voice of a radio announcer, John Grady recalls taking cover in a drainage ditch and Dallas city councilman John Evans remembers losing 1,777 shipmates.

These are the memories of Texans who recalled the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

Eighteen ships were sunk or damaged, 188 U.S. aircraft were destroyed and 159 others were damaged in the 7:55 a.m. attack. The United States lost 2,403 servicemen, while 1,178 others were wounded.

Some of those killed were shipmates of Evans, who was a 19-year-old gunner aboard the USS Arizona. A 1,760-pound bomb dropped by a Japanese aircraft penetrated the decks of the Arizona and exploded, lifting the entire bow of the vessel from

the water, Evans said.

Nineteen of the dead were Evans' friends. Evans, 64, said he has avoided returning to Pearl Harbor since then.

"I couldn't go back," Evans said. "You can be a hard, tough guy all your life, but 45 years later you still feel it. I still dream about it. I keep thinking about all those boys I went through boot camp with. I wonder why I didn't die there, too."

But after 45 years, he decided to make peace with the tragic memories. He planned to join 300 other survivors of the Arizona and their families Sunday for a private memorial to commemorate the 45th anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack.

John Grady of Austin said he also is grateful to be alive.

Grady was an airplane mechanic stationed at Hickam Field when the Japanese attacked. He was ordered to move three planes during the attack. He

moved two safely, but had to jump out of the third when the plane's hydraulics were shot out.

The 69-year-old retired painter said he jumped in a drainage ditch where he and several other soldiers stayed until the attack was over.

"To put it mildly it was mass confusion," said Grady. "It sounded like everything in the world was exploding. It was unreal."

JoAnn Nelson of Wichita Falls, the wife of a state district judge, also remembers thinking the attack was not real. She lived in a Honolulu suburb at the base of Diamond Head on Oahu.

"It was like being in a movie. It isn't really real. It never entered my mind I could be killed," said Mrs. Nelson who was 13 years old at the time.

"My mother woke me up," she said. "I didn't really understand what she was telling me but I could hear the radio. (The announcer's) voice was shaking, but he said to 'keep calm, everybody.'"

"We all rushed outside. We were all looking up," Mrs. Nelson said. "We saw six airplanes and we couldn't see who was who. We saw one go down in flames."

When Mrs. Nelson returned to the continental United States, she volunteered as an air spotter and Red Cross worker.

Grady fought in the Pacific Theater and was on the island of Guam when the war ended.

Evans was shipped out of Pearl Harbor and served through the end of the war, when he left the Navy and moved to Texas. But he refused to return to Dallas for years and lost track of the other men from his hometown who survived the attack.

"I couldn't go home for a long time and face the mothers of my friends," Evans said. "I couldn't look into their eyes, them wondering why I lived and their sons died. I wondered for a long time why I didn't die there too."



(AP Laserphoto)

A city of Fort Worth frontend loader removes debris from the street after an early Sunday morning explosion destroyed several businesses.

Explosion damages downtown Fort Worth business buildings

FORT WORTH (AP) — An explosion ripped through a building in the heart of downtown Fort Worth, leveling a row of specialty shops, blowing out windows in a four-block area and terrifying guests at a hotel, authorities said.

A natural gas leak in one of two cafes probably caused the Sunday explosion, which caused an estimated \$2 million in damage, said fire department spokesman Butch Hall. In addition to the cafes, the explosion destroyed a print shop, an optometrist's office and a bookstore, Hall said.

A guest at the nearby Worthington Hotel was cut by glass, but no serious injuries were reported after the blast, which occurred about 3 a.m., Hall said.

The casualties might have been higher had the blast occurred at another time, authorities said.

"Two hours before, we had 500 people in the ballrooms," said Worthington Hotel spokesman Tom Weiskopf, pointing to a 30-foot-tall wall of plate glass windows that were blown in.

The blast blew a hole in the roof of a building on Throckmorton Street, across the street from the normally bustling Tandy Center shopping mall.

"Had it happened three hours earlier, I'd hate to think about it," Hall said. "This is a heavily traveled area."

Hall said investigators believe a natural gas leak in a food preparation area caused the explosion. "It's not a suspicious situation at all," he said.

An inspection by Lone Star Gas Co. revealed no problems with mains or service lines in the area, said Hall and company spokesman Breck Harris.

Building walls that remained standing were pulled down Sunday afternoon, leaving a pile of rubble on the north half of the blast site.

Weiskopf, marketing director at the Worthing-

ton, said windows were blown out in 162 rooms. He also said the explosion shattered a 30-foot glass wall in a ballroom lobby.

"There was no structural damage to the hotel itself," he said.

Hotel guests said they thought a bomb had exploded or a plane had crashed.

"Some people got a hell of a wake-up call," said W.P. White, a hotel guest from San Angelo, Texas.

"It was a very loud noise. It would be like a bomb," said hotel guest Ken Truhan of Stevensville, Mich. "I thought this whole thing (the hotel) was coming down."

The explosion blew the windows out of Truhan's 10th-floor room. Shards of thick, smoke-tinted glass lay beside his bed. A heavy window drape shielded him from the fragments.

Firefighters checked all 509 rooms of the Worthington for casualties, Hall said.

"One guy slept through it," Hall said. "He wouldn't answer the door so we beat the door down with an ax. When we got in there, the room was covered with glass. There was glass all over his bed. He wanted to know what had happened."

Barbara Aucoin, a hotel guest from Nashville, Tenn., said she was "petrified" by the explosion.

"I thought it was an airplane crash," she said. "It shook the bed and everything."

Because of the threat of falling glass and weakened structures, investigators waited until after daybreak to search the wreckage and sealed off six downtown city blocks.

"It's kind of an eerie thing to be walking the street and hear crunching. It's like walking on ice," Hall said. "The glass is about an inch thick on the street."

A Christmas without Christ?



Off Beat
By
Cathy
Spaulding

Suppose they had a holiday and nobody knew what to call it.

That's what my friends in advertising and I faced one afternoon during a heated discussion on recent campaigns by "civil libertarians" to rid public places of nativity scenes.

"That's dumb," Rhonda said. "You're celebrating a man's birthday, and you can't show pictures of his family. That's like having a birthday cake without the man's name on it."

This prompted a revelation. If Christ doesn't belong in Christmas, then shouldn't the holiday be called something else?

In an effort to satisfy the civil libertarians and still get our goodies on Dec. 25, I am conducting a "Name that Holiday" survey.

The rules of the survey are simple enough—find a new name for the Christmas holiday without using any religious references.

Sound easy?

Guess again. Gus, Rhonda and I have already made the following eliminations:

The word *Christmas* is a contraction of the words Christ and mass, both of which are religious terms. People in the early church decided to make Christ's birth (which some historians now believe happened in the spring) a winter holiday in an effort to Christianize a pagan winter ritual (see Yuletide), convert the barbarians and inspire government bureaucrats to do the same thing with George Washington's birthday in February.

Similarly, the abbreviation *XMas*, considered sacrilegious by many religious folks and eye-

catching by December evergreen tree dealers, is also crossed out because the X was originally meant to be a cross, yet another Christian symbol.

Noel? Nope, that's too obvious a reference to Christmas.

Advent? Certainly not!
The Twelfth Night before Twelfth Night or *First Night*? Wrong. Twelfth night, the eve of Epiphany (Jan. 6), marks the end of the Christmas season and, accordingly, the day Christmas decorations should be taken down. Nix that.

Yuletide? True, it is not a Christian term. But although it predates the spread of Christianity through Europe, it is a pagan celebration of the Winter Solstice and involved Druid priests. That makes it a religious holiday and definitely out of contention. It's only fair.

Santa Claus Day? Wrong again. We all know who Santa Claus really is: Saint Nicholas. St. Nick, as he is currently known to avoid harassment from the Atheist Inquisition, lived in the Dark Ages and gave things to people. He was such a nice guy that the Catholic church made him a saint. If we can't have Christ in Christmas, we certainly can't have a saint.

Almost Hanukkah? Yet another religious reference. Besides, the holiday roams around too much to enable retailers to schedule their sales.

Shoot, even the word holiday is a shortened form of holy day, an obvious religious reference. Angels are also out, as are any references to trees or greenery because of the pagan priest connection and the legend that Protestant reformer Martin Luther invented the Christmas tree. So we can't have that, can we?

So what does that leave us.

Gus, always on the lookout for quick phrases and marketing trends, came up with a name that should fit the 20th Century spirit of the season: Economy Stimulation Day. Sounds catchy enough for this fast-paced, business-oriented society. We'll have to move the date to a Monday so that government employees can get a long week-end.

But maybe you have a better idea. Go ahead. Try to come up with a name that fits the anti-religious fervor in keeping Christ out of Christmas.

Yule be sorry.

Secret settlement reported

DALLAS (AP) — Expert testimony documenting irreversible brain damage to children who lived near a now-defunct lead smelter led to a secret, out-of-court settlement estimated at nearly \$20 million, The Dallas Morning News reported.

In a copyright story Sunday, the newspaper said the settlement was reached in 1985 between RSR Corp., operator of the smelter, and Dallas attorney Frederick M. Baron, who sued in behalf of 370 children.

Almost all of the plaintiffs were disadvantaged blacks who lived in public housing across from the smelter in west Dallas.

The settlement was sealed on order by State District Judge Gary Hall who acted on a request by attorneys in the case.

The News said it confirmed details of the agreement during a five-month inquiry that included

interviews with scientific experts in the case, west Dallas residents and public officials.

With interest accruing over the next 30 years, the agreement will funnel nearly \$45 million to the children in periodic payments, The News said. Over the life span of the payouts, sources said, the victims will receive between \$13,000 and \$500,000.

Baron's team of scientists, including a psychologist, a pediatrician and an expert on lead emissions, documented brain damage that already has created learning problems for some of the children and could render them functionally illiterate and only marginally employable for life, The News reported.

RSR officials and Baron were unavailable for comment Sunday. RSR's office was closed and Baron's residential number is unlisted.

Ranchers fighting building of suburban Hindu temple

PARKER (AP) — Plans for a Hindu temple have residents of this North Texas town a little jittery.

Such a temple, adorned with Hindu deities, would be an eyesore and worshippers would intrude, residents said.

Parker residents say they are concerned about increased traffic on roads already overburdened by tourists to the Southfork ranch popularized by the television series, "Dallas." Opponents also fear the temple could be the site of violence between Hindus and area Sikhs.

About 200 Hindu families live in Dallas and Fort Worth and area suburbs, and organizers say the temple would serve as a religious and cultural hub.

"That's what our religion calls for. We want our children to be proud of their heritage. That is why we're building this temple," said Pradeep Pandya, vice president of the Dallas-Fort Worth Hindu Temple Society.

Parker residents took their complaints to a Nov. 12 public hearing and vowed to block the group's effort to receive zoning clearance for the temple.

The City Council must approve zoning for the construction of churches and schools and can impose restrictions for the "health, safety and wel-

fare of the community," said City Secretary Betty McMenamy.

Council members made no decision at the Nov. 12 hearing and have not set a date for a second hearing.

Sherry Jones, whose two-story home is adjacent to the proposed temple site, said she's not concerned about possible violence. But she said Hindus don't belong in Parker.

"I don't have any objection to them practicing religion, but I don't see why they have to come out here," Ms. Jones said.

The Rev. Rick Fowlkes of North Ridge Baptist Church faced similar opposition several years ago when he tried to move his church to the area. He was given approval after he agreed to make the 3,200-square-foot church conform to the style of surrounding homes.

But Fowlkes is not interested in having the temple as a neighbor.

"I believe in freedom of religion," he said. "But I would be against anything that I feel is going to hinder or have any influence on the community or even our church people."

Trial begins in triple slaying

FORT WORTH (AP) — Just before Christmas last year, a 43-year-old Arlington man was arrested and charged with the murders six months earlier of two young girls who lived nearby and of a young man who had been staying with the family.

Today, Ronald Tromboli faced trial on charges stemming from the slayings, which officials said was the city's first triple murder.

Acting State District Judge Kit Cooke ordered jury selection to begin today. The judge has reviewed defense motions seeking details of investigations into tips that the killings were related to devil worshippers, a drug cult or earlier killings, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Sunday.

The bodies of Renee Lemieux,

12, and Danielle Lemieux, 14 were found by their mother, Jo Anne, in their Arlington duplex on June 17, 1985. Mrs. Lemieux found the body of John Bradley, 17, covered with dirty linens in the laundry room.

All had been stabbed to death and the older girl had been raped, police said.

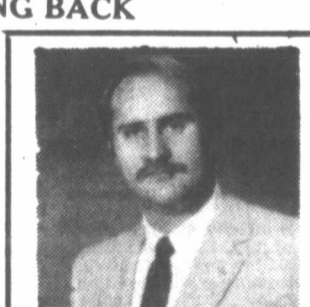
Trimboli became a prime suspect in the killings and Arlington police kept him under open surveillance for four weeks before arresting him.

Bradley moved into the Lemieux household a day before he was killed. He met the family through church activities. Friends said he received harassing phone calls before moving in the home.

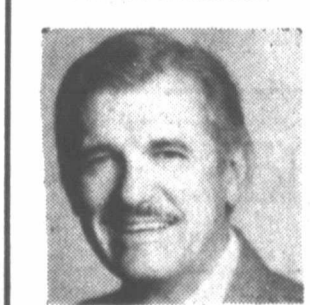
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The Pampa News

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Opinion

Private control can enhance air safety

The debate goes on over whether deregulation of the airline industry has reduced air safety. Some people, claiming that airlines facing competition are bound to cut corners on safety, impressed by tragedies like the Aeromexico crash and the fact that the skies are more crowded, are ready to call for renewed federal regulation of airlines.

Two recent studies suggest that this would be a tragic mistake, and that improved safety may well lie down the path of privatization.

What has been right about airline deregulation is savings and convenience for travelers. A recent Brookings study estimates that consumers save \$6 billion a year in lower fares. Airfares have fallen by an inflation-adjusted 6 percent, and are 39 percent below what they would have been under regulation. More Americans are flying, more airlines are in business, and—despite shakeouts, as expected in a competitive market—the industry is in better shape than before deregulation.

The key question is safety. James Gattuso, policy analyst for the conservative Heritage Foundation, investigates it thoroughly.

Extensive coverage of a poor year for airline safety in 1985 has led to calls for regulation. However, although 1,430 people died on scheduled commercial flights last year (the worst fatality year in aviation history) the majority of fatalities occurred on foreign airlines, all under full economic regulation and some owned outright by governments.

Within the United States, on U.S. carriers, fatalities in 1985 were lower than in 1977, the year before deregulation, though U.S. airlines carried 100 million more passengers.

Although safety hasn't suffered, perhaps convenience and reliability have. With increased traffic (partly due to lower ticket prices) and the reduction in the number of trained air traffic controllers after the 1981 strike, delays have become more common. Some believe this situation contains the seeds of potential disaster. What is to be done?

Robert W. Poole, Jr., of the Los Angeles-based Reason Foundation, has released a detailed proposal for privatizing air traffic control. He suggested turning over the Federal Aviation Administration's facilities and equipment to a federally chartered corporation to be owned and financed by its users through fees. The airline ticket tax and aviation fuel tax would be abolished.

As a private corporation, this new entity would be free to hire former PATCO controllers who were fired for striking in 1981. It would also be able to charge premium fees for peak travel times, creating incentives that would lead to less jamming at airports. It would not be subject to the bureaucratic micro-management that afflicts the FAA and has, some critics maintain, kept the agency from adopting a privately developed airborne collision avoidance system that has been available for over a decade, in favor of its own expensive in-house research program. Deregulation has not reduced airline safety, and privatization would probably increase safety. Let's hope these studies get the attention they deserve.

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Stephen Chapman

The press loves a scandal

Under the pressure of a widening scandal, some people in the White House have reverted sickeningly to the pathological, self-defeating patterns of behavior that once turned a third-rate burglary at the Watergate Hotel into a national crisis. I refer not to officials of the Reagan administration but to the press corps. Once the news was out that the profits from the Iran arms deal had been funneled to the Nicaraguan rebels, it took the news media no more than a millisecond to conjure up Gordon Liddy, John Dean and the rest of the Nixon gang. "What did he know, and when did he know it?" once again became the capital's most popular question.

Washington Post columnist David Broder lamented that this administration's misbehavior came "only 12 years after the hard-learned lesson of Watergate." His Post colleague William Raspberry offered the novel proposition that the revelations were "reminiscent of nothing so much as the Watergate scandal." He predicted, "The reaction of the press is likely to be similar as well."

Likely? That's like saying the sky is likely to be dark tonight. Raspberry must not have seen Attorney General Edwin Meese's press conference on his discovery of the Contra connection, where reporters bayed like hounds who have treed a raccoon.

Of all the crimes committed by President Nixon and his aides, none compares to the damage they wrought on American journalism. It brought out the prosecutor latent—and in some cases not so latent—in many reporters. The

search for scandal is now synonymous with the pursuit of the news. And just as boxing promoters semiannually promote the latest "fight of the century," reporters can never stumble onto evidence of official wrongdoing without spying another Watergate.

Why do reporters so love a scandal? Well, why do dogs gnaw on bones? Because it satisfies some primal craving that is deep and irrefragable.

Not that many journalists try to repress it. Scandals fit too well the peculiar needs of their genre. The news media love the sort of confrontations that produce winners and losers, which is why they cover sports and elections so obsessively. Even better are conflicts in which there are clearly marked heroes and villains, which provide the most valued element of any news story: melodramas.

The presidential scandal is the perfect event. Like the latest episode of "Dynasty" it relies on the public's familiarity with some well-known principals, while introducing mysterious new characters in brief but important roles. Like the National Football League season, it is guaranteed to produce plenty of victors and vanquished, with the survival of the administration serving as the ultimate stakes, the functional equivalent of the Super Bowl.

Even better, the good guys and the bad guys may be conclusively identified—by a federal jury—and appropriately punished or rewarded. Best of all, if everything goes just right, as it did in Watergate, the true heroes will be the journalists, to whom a grateful nation will pay homage.

Contrast this with the more typical matters that preoccupy the government: the budget deficit, arms control, Middle East policy, mass transit. Issues like these may be the most important facing the country, but as news they suffer from several defects. They are complicated, with some study required for understanding. They are frustrating, because they require unpleasant choices among worthy purposes. They are ambiguous, with plenty of room for reasonable people to disagree. And they are perpetual, continually demanding attention and seldom yielding durable solutions.

In short, they utterly lack romance. Nobody ever made a movie about two Washington Post reporters analyzing tax reform. Newspapers and networks cover these mundane stories because they have no choice—this is the primary business of government, like it or not—while endlessly straining to force them into the preferred mold. Who won at Reykjavik, Reagan or Gorbachev? How can we balance the budget while the Pentagon is paying \$700 for toilet seats?

There is no doubt that serious misdeeds have been committed by people in the Reagan administration, and the press is rightly determined to uncover them. But some sense of proportion is in order. Few scandals warrant comparison with Watergate, and this one has a long way to go before it qualifies for that distinction. Far from destroying Reagan's presidency, it may amount to nothing more than a historical footnote. And it wouldn't be surprising if the institution that comes out looking worse in the end is not the government but the press.



Bits of history

By The Associated Press

In 1972, the United States' last moon mission to date was launched as Apollo 17 blasted off from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

In 1972, Imelda Marcos, the wife of Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos, was stabbed and seriously wounded by an assailant who was then shot dead by her bodyguards.

Ten years ago: The U.N. Security Council endorsed Kurt Waldheim to be secretary-general for a second five-year term. The General Assembly re-elected Waldheim by acclamation the next day.

Five years ago: In a coordinated action, hijackers seized three Venezuelan airliners carrying more than 200 passengers. Meanwhile, three Lebanese gunmen seized a Libyan jetliner over Italy.

One year ago: Retired Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart died in Hanover, N.H., at age 70. English poet and author Robert Graves died at his home on the island of Majorca at age 90. Bombs went off at two Paris department stores, wounding 35.



Paul Harvey

Wheeler-dealers go down

Bill Allen of the Boeing Airplane Co. once told me, "I can always tell when our company is about to get a new government contract; the price of our stock is pressured upward by an influx of buyers."

What he meant was that somebody inside the Truman Administration—perhaps inside the Pentagon—was leaking to friends information in advance about a new Boeing contract.

Since then the laws against "insider trading" have been reinforced.

Friends on the inside are not supposed to trade secretly in their own company stock, and they are not supposed to tip off their friends when a contract or a buy-out or other news is likely to influence stock prices.

But laws piled on laws did not prevent the practice.

Ivan Boesky, Wall Street dealmaker, speculated in the stock of companies targeted for

takeover. He made a killing. He made enough so that when he got caught he could afford to pay a \$100-million penalty.

Probably he'd have gone to jail except that he made a deal with federal investigators. In exchange for leniency, he would allow himself to be "wired." He carried a concealed microphone on his person for several weeks—while he talked to investment bankers, takeover stock speculators, lawyers in the financial world—and now the scandal has mushroomed into a "Wall Street Watergate."

Early in the new year, Congress will open hearings on insider trading.

The Business Roundtable, a group of leading industrialists, is urging new laws to stabilize this whole business of arbitrage—where outsiders seek to take over a corporations by accumulating enough stock for control.

It's this practice which has bred much of the

peripheral hanky-panky.

Such is the scope of this scandal that it has been unsettling to stock exchanges as far away as London and Tokyo.

Boesky has already admitted offering a "commission" to Dennis Levine, then a specialist in mergers for Drexel Burnham Lambert, in exchange for "confidential information."

But concerned congressional committees also want to hear from Mike Milken of Drexel who invented the "junk bond" market.

Carl Icahn of TWA.

Victor Posne, another corporate raider. And these are just the beginning. The SEC not only "wired" Boesky but also recorded his telephone conversations and, in some instances, videotaped meetings in his office for three months.

Jack Baker of Shearson Lehman says, "I look for a real domino effect with bodies all over the place."

Liberals fling mud at Teflon coating

By William A. Rusher

There is something faintly pathetic about the obsessive need of the congressional Democrats and the liberal media to subordinate absolutely everything else to the high objective of embarrassing Ronald Reagan.

Take the controversy over the administration's shipment of a small quantity of arms to certain groups in Iran. Practically nobody contends that there was anything ignoble about President Reagan's underlying motive in authorizing the shipment. (One exception is Tip O'Neill, who bitterly insists the whole thing was a scheme to get the hostages home before the elections.)

If we choose to believe President Reagan, his fundamental objective was to develop friendly contacts that would prove useful to the United States in post-Khomeini Iran—surely a commendable aim. If we prefer to believe his severest critics, his real purpose was to secure the release of

our hostages in Lebanon—again, a thoroughly desirable goal in itself. In both cases, the criticism has concentrated on the alleged side-effects of the maneuver, rather than its aim.

We are told, for example, that the administration has fatally undermined this country's "credibility" by secretly authorizing the shipment of arms to Iran while publicly imposing a total ban on arms to Iran and urging our friends and allies to do likewise.

But the shipment in question was not intended to make some illegitimate profit for the United States behind the backs of our friends—as with the cases of various members of the OPEC cartel, for example, who have been known to sell oil below the agreed sale price for their own benefit. Our friends and allies know very well that if the United States can establish friendly relations with post-Khomeini Iran (which cannot be long in coming), this will benefit every single one of them. The shipment in question was for that purpose, and that

purpose only.

Again, the critics protest that, by "bargaining for the release of hostages in return for arms shipments to Iran" (I am quoting Anthony Lewis of The New York Times), President Reagan has violated his "firmly declared policy... not to negotiate with terrorists for hostages." If that were a fair description of what Reagan actually did, he would be open to some criticism for adopting questionable tactics to reach a legitimate goal.

But the casual condensation of this whole complex diplomatic initiative into an attempt "to trade weapons to Iran for hostages in Lebanon" (The Times' James Reston this time) is, to put it mildly, disingenuous. It certainly was much more than that. But even if it were only that, it would not properly be open to the criticism (rightly leveled at a typical ransom payment) that it would merely encourage the kidnappers to seize other hostages to replace those released. If our contacts in Iran were influential enough to

compel the release of American hostages in Lebanon without meeting the kidnappers' longstanding demands, they presumably are influential enough to forbid the seizing of replacements.

Finally, President Reagan has been accused of violating various laws requiring the notification of Congress in the case of covert operations. That remains to be determined.

For the real tragedy is not that this operation took place, but that it was disclosed prematurely. It is entirely possible that some brave pro-American Iranians will die as a result. Meanwhile, in Washington, the air is again filled with mud, zinging in the general direction of the president. Thus far in his six years of office, little of it has stuck to his "Teflon coat." But as ABC's Jack Smith reported breathlessly, "This time, there's a feeling that the mud may stick."

That tells you a lot about Washington.

Berry's World



Nation

Iran-Contra political fallout concerns GOP governors

PARSIPPANY, N.J. (AP) — Republican governors, concerned about the political fallout from the Iran-Contra controversy, are counting on President Reagan's promise of full disclosure to minimize damage to the GOP.

As the chief executives gathered Sunday for their annual three-day meeting, host Gov. Thomas H. Kean told a news conference that "something like this obviously isn't helpful to the party in power."

Kean said the Republican Party "is going to be judged by how it now handles it. ... We'll find out as time goes on exactly what has been going on, who's been doing what and we'll put it all on the table."

After a day devoted primarily to social activities, the governors were getting down to business today with formal sessions with Treasury Secretary James A. Baker III, a former White House chief of staff, as the keynote speaker.

Politics dominated the agenda with a discussion of the impact of the 1986 elections and one on the future of the GOP.

That future was abruptly clouded by the recent disclosures of secret arms sales to Iran and channeling of money to the Contra forces fighting to overthrow the leftist government of Nicaragua.

The disclosures were followed by a sharp drop in

President Reagan's standing in the polls.

The GOP governors, who increased their numbers by eight in the elections last month, had anticipated a political celebration at their meeting. Instead, they were bombarded with questions about the potential impact of the Iran-Contra disclosures.

"Any one want to talk about education?" asked Gov. John Sununu of New Hampshire, chairman of the GOP governors, at a news conference.

No one did.

Instead, Sununu was asked about the scheduled appearance Tuesday by former President Nixon who lives in nearby Saddle River.

Sununu said Nixon's appearance was "a good opportunity to hear from someone who was there and probably wishes he had a chance to do it over again and I can't think of anybody who would have a stronger understanding of how it ought to be done right."

Most governors were reluctant to assess the impact of the disclosures troubling the Reagan administration.

"It's far too early to express any judgment on what the effect will be," said Gov. Richard Thornburgh of Pennsylvania. "There is no need or opportunity to rush to judgment."

Perot knocks automaker again; GM mum on possible penalty

DETROIT (AP) — The hottest tickets in town are for today's speech by computer magnate H. Ross Perot, who will meet General Motors Corp. chairman Roger B. Smith face-to-face after two weeks of verbal sparring.

GM directors voted a week ago today to buy back Perot's stock in the No. 1 automaker for \$700 million. The agreement includes a \$7.5 million penalty in case the Texas industrialist further criticizes GM.

But Perot already risked that penalty in comments broadcast Sunday on ABC-TV, and the possibility of further fireworks has sent ticket requests for today's Economic Club of Detroit luncheon soaring.

Perot scheduled an 11 a.m. news conference prior to his noon speech at Cobo Hall, where he will be introduced by Smith.

"This thing started out as a luncheon for 2,000," Ed Tyson, an account executive with Detroit's Civic Center Department, said Sunday. "Every day since Thanksgiving, I've been getting more phone calls ... and the number kept going up. Now, we're setting up for 7,044, and it may go up again."

Interest in the speech has been piqued by Perot's public allegations of mismanagement at GM and unwarranted bonuses and other benefits for its executives, voiced prior to last week's stock buyout.

Smith responded by saying Perot, who became a GM director after selling his Electronic Data Systems Corp. to the automaker in 1984 for \$2.5 billion, was naive, impatient and unfamiliar with the automotive business.

But if the Perot-Smith feud bears no fruit amid the boneless chicken breasts and walnut cake of today's luncheon, the question remains whether Perot violated what he called his "hushmail" agreement with GM in his comments to ABC's "Today's Business."

"I just don't want to be a part of an organization that's closing plants, laying people off," Perot said during the interview, taped last week for broadcast Sunday.

"I want to be part of an organization that's growing, dynamic and creating jobs," Perot said. "Only one way to do it — make the best cars in the world, sell them at a competitive price."

White-collar boxers study in Chicago

CHICAGO (AP) — The urban professionals give it their best shot in the "white-collar boxing" course at the Chicago Fitness Center, but it's probably a good thing they're doctors, lawyers and brokers.

"If these gentlemen went into a regular boxing gym, they'd either be laughed out of the gym or they'd be used as human heavy bags," said center director Eddie Yoshimura. "Here, the other people are just as inexperienced, scared and out of shape."

The fear, at least, they quickly overcome.

"Three-quarters of the way through class, they're smiling. They're jammin'," Yoshimura said.

The club, in a ragtag neighborhood on Chicago's North Side, began offering the course on Saturdays three years ago. The upper-middle-class fighters don't sneak in the back door.

"They pull into the parking lot with their Porsches or their Mercedes," Yoshimura said.

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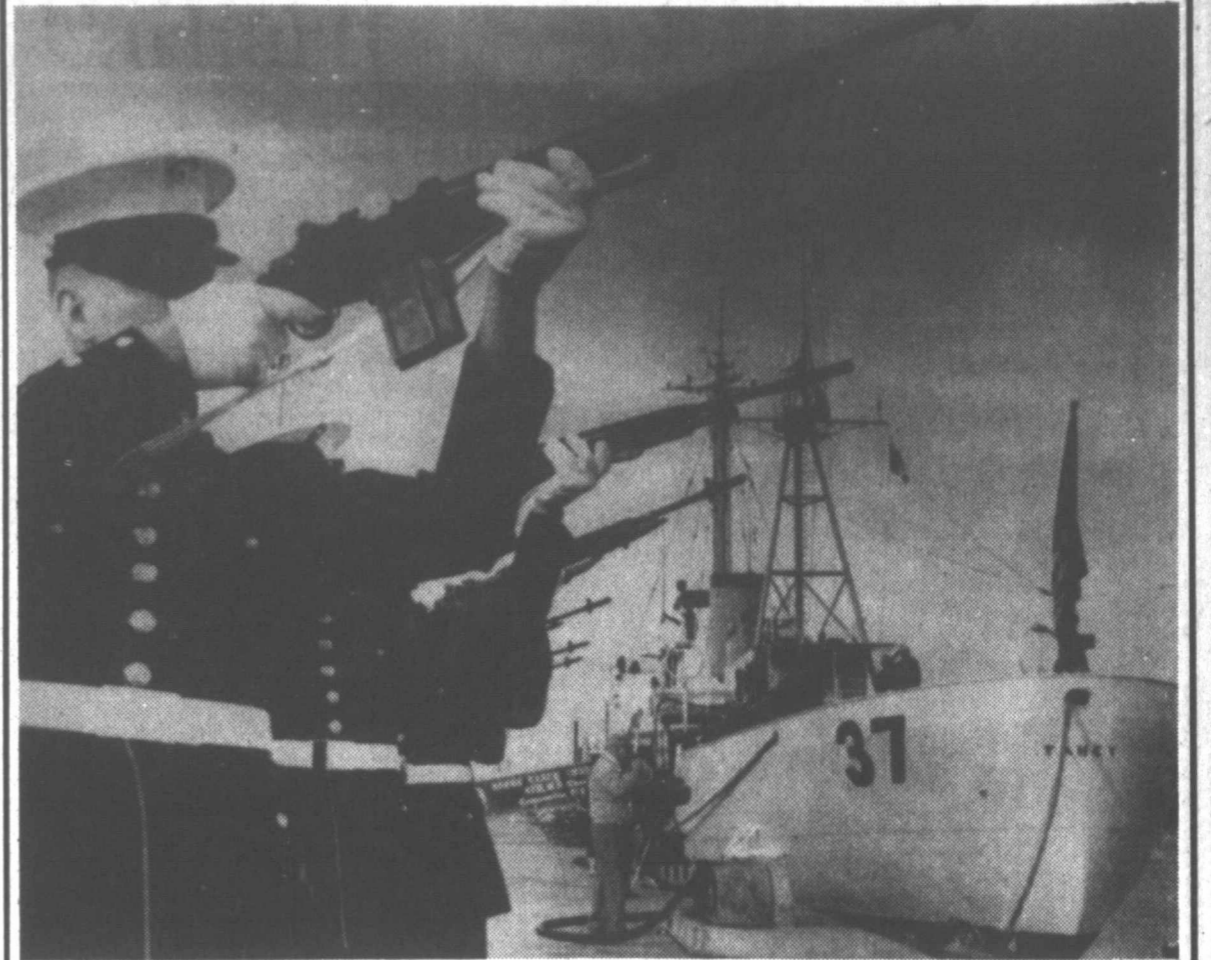
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Final salute



A Marine honor guard fires a salute to the dead from Pearl Harbor during the decommissioning of the Coast Guard Cutter Taney in Portsmouth, Va., Sunday. The Taney was the last active duty ship that was in Pearl Harbor during the Japanese attack 45 years ago.

Democrats shy away from political attack on Reagan

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite the storm over the Iran-Contra dealings and the drop in President Reagan's standing in the polls, Democrats are shying away from a frontal political attack on the president.

As the early front-runner for the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination, Sen. Gary Hart of Col-

orado has the most to gain politically from the affair as well as the most to lose from a miscalculation by his party.

"If people in my party attack the president for partisan advantage, I say shame on us," Hart told an audience in Iowa.

"Is it a Watergate?" mused House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass. "Unless there are a lot of things we don't know about, it isn't."

No prominent Democrats seem to disagree with the cautious positions taken by Hart and O'Neill. In fact, there has been remarkably little comment from the opposition party.

Democrats are treading carefully. A reminder of Watergate here, a question there, but so far, an avoidance of an impression they are eager to attack the president the moment they sense he is trouble.

The reasons are several. They can be found in the details of the polls, as well as in how the affair has played out so far.

Two nationwide surveys conducted since the dealings were disclosed said the president's approval rating had dropped sharply and most Americans felt he was not telling the full truth about the affair.

But the same surveys also said people still trust the president, consider him honest and a strong leader.

Reagan has demonstrated time and again during the past six years that he is a formidable politician with a remarkable hold on the American people.

So, the Democrats know they can wait. They can sit back as new details are disclosed and let nervous Republicans — and there are plenty of them — take the lead in calling for resignations and demanding more information.

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World

Parisian violence



Street cleaners sweep near the debris of burned cars in Paris' Latin Quarter early Sunday after the Saturday night violence in central Paris. Twenty cars were destroyed by demonstrators during violence that followed demonstrations by students protesting the government's planned university reform. (AP Laserphoto)

School reform bill withdrawn

PARIS (AP) — Premier Jacques Chirac today announced the withdrawal of the university reform bill that had brought hundreds of thousands of protesting students into the streets in violent confrontations.

The announcement was made to journalists at the premier's office after a meeting with his main Cabinet ministers. The abandonment of the legislation followed the call Sunday by the Communist-led General Confederation of Labor, France's largest union federation, to join the students in mass demonstrations on Wednesday.

Some brief work stoppages were occurring today to mourn the death of a 22-year-old student killed Saturday.

Chirac said he had decided to withdraw the draft legislation, which the students claim would create

an elite university system, and asked Education Minister Rene Monory to "engage immediately in a wide consultation."

Monory went on nationwide television Friday night to announce that the three most controversial parts of the measure would be withdrawn for further study and consultations, but that parliamentary debate would go ahead as planned on the rest of it.

The students, however, continued to push for killing the entire plan and conducted another demonstration on Saturday.

The death of Malik Oussekeine shortly after midnight, after what witnesses said was a severe beating by three policemen, dramatically changed the mood of the protest.

Rebels call for bases removal

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Communist negotiators said today that a lasting peace is impossible in the Philippines unless U.S. military bases are closed and warned that a dispute over military patrolling could prevent a cease-fire agreement from going into effect this week.

The nationwide, 60-day truce was signed Nov. 27 by the government of President Corazon Aquino and the Communist-dominated National Democratic Front and is to go into effect Wednesday.

During the cease-fire the two sides are to begin talks on "substantive issues," including land reform, political change and the status of American bases here.

The armed forces reported today that two soldiers were killed and a total of six were wounded in separate ambushes in the Luzon island provinces of Zambales and Abra. The army blamed Com-

munist rebels for the Sunday attacks.

At a breakfast meeting with reporters, three Front representatives said they have not softened their position that the U.S. bases must ultimately be closed.

They also took issue with statements by senior military commanders that the army will continue patrols in rebel areas during the cease-fire and that anyone caught with illegal weapons will be subject to arrest.

Defense Minister Rafael Iletto told reporters today that rebels who want to carry weapons can "do so in the mountains where we cannot see them."

Front official Satur Ocampo said the rebels have "called (to) the attention of President Aquino that unless the political leadership clarifies or revokes this supposed policy statement... we are afraid the cease-fire might not go into effect by Dec. 10."

Weinberger to discuss arms controversy with Thatcher

LONDON (AP) — Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger is expected to discuss the Iranian arms controversy with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher today and may learn whether Britain will buy sophisticated radar planes, U.S. officials say.

Weinberger may announce some additional "Star Wars" research contracts for British firms, but his talks on military matters for the most part should be routine, the officials added.

Weinberger planned to meet privately with British Defense Secretary George Younger "and may receive some kind of hint about which way the English are going to go on AWACS," said a U.S. official, referring to a British decision expected on whether to purchase airborne warning and control system planes made by Boeing Co. or pursue Britain's own Nimrod project.

Weinberger arrived in London on Saturday. He earlier held consultations in Paris with French officials and attended a NATO defense ministers meeting in Brussels as well as visiting Morocco.

At each stop, the defense secretary has been dogged by questions from the allies about Presi-

dent Reagan's decision to sell arms to Iran. Profits from those sales were diverted to Contra rebels fighting the Nicaraguan government.

Weinberger is the first member of Reagan's Cabinet to travel overseas since the arms transactions were disclosed.

U.S. officials, speaking on condition that they not be identified, said they expected today's talks at 10 Downing St. to include the Iran arms deal.

"I am sure there will be some continuing discussion about the situation in the United States — the political implications of the Iranian affair," one official said.

"Mrs. Thatcher is one of our closest allies, and she's certain to want to discuss the matter," added another.

At his previous stops, Weinberger has gone to great pains to stress that Reagan was acting with the best of motives and simply hoped to reopen ties to moderate elements in Iran.

Weinberger has also said, however, that the president was receiving some bad advice. On Saturday, Reagan acknowledged in a radio address that mistakes were made in the course of pursuing his policy toward Iran.

Two Soviet soldiers flee to the West

HANOVER, West Germany (AP) — Two Soviet soldiers fled from East Germany to West Germany over the weekend, officials said today. It was the first Red Army defection across the German border since 1984.

While escapes of East German citizens have been increasing, it is very rare for Soviet soldiers to dash across the heavily guarded border and defect. There are an estimated 250,000 Soviet troops stationed in Communist East Germany.

A statement from the West German border patrol command in Hanover said the two fled together over the border near the northern city of Wolfenbuettel early Sunday. It added that the escape occurred so quickly that East German guards did not have time to shoot to stop them.

Both soldiers were unarmed and dressed in civilian clothes during their escape and neither was injured, the statement added.

The last time one of the Kremlin's soldiers fled over the border from East Germany to West Germany was in 1984, the statement said.

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Lifestyles

Proper care keeps holiday plants healthy

By JOE VANZANDT

Here's hoping you're among the happy group whose Christmas decor is graced by a beautiful flowering plant. Let's take a look at several of the more popular Christmas flowers and how you'll want to care for them to prolong their beauty.

Poinsettias outrank all other Christmas plants combined in popularity. They are well adapted to indoor temperatures so long as they're out of hot or cold drafts. Put them near a bright window and aim at keeping the soil evenly moist, not wet or dry.

Poinsettias used to be pretty sensitive to changes from a greenhouse environment to that of a home, with leaf and flower drop being a common problem. But now, with newer varieties, you can just about plan on poinsettias on Valentine's Day if you care to keep them around that long.

You can cut the plant back after flowering and set it outside for the summer, but you'll have a real chore bringing it into flower again next Christmas. That's simply a job better left to the professionals.

Kalanchoes should be kept in a

sunny window. This plant flowers when the days are short, consequently they are difficult to re-flower in the home if carried over from another year. Lights used in the home provide long days and the plants fail to set flower buds. They do make excellent foliage plants once the flowers are faded, however. Just remove the flower stalk and use as a foliage plant.

Christmas cactus isn't a typical cactus. It requires as much water as any other houseplant, though it should not be overwatered. This is one plant that can be kept over to bloom again next Christmas. Keep it in a sunny window until danger of frost is past, then place it in a shady spot out of doors during the summer. Bring indoors before frost can damage it. Place in a cool room at night. Night temperatures must be below 75 degrees, or it will not bloom.

Cyclamen, or shooting stars, are old favorites. Their large showy flowers are red, pink, salmon or white and really do resemble falling stars. Unfortunately though, the flowers fade and fall pretty fast at 72 degrees, so cyclamen has a pretty short flowering period in the home. If you have the opportunity, keep the plant at



For Horticulture

Joe VanZandt

55 degrees whenever possible. Again, avoid hot drafts and over-watering.

Azaleas should remain attractive 2-4 weeks in your home, particularly if you'll put them in a 55-60 degree spot each night and during the day when you're not around. They just don't prosper at normal home temperatures.

Be careful to avoid hot drafts when you select a spot for your azalea, and, again, be extremely careful of your watering practices. Most greenhouse azaleas are grown in virtually 100 percent peat moss, and it's fairly easy to goot on the watering.

Florist azaleas are not particularly well adapted outside of East Texas so you may want to discard the plant once it's finished flowering.

Plants brighten any holiday decorations. With a little care, they can last long after the toys are broken and the bills are paid.

USE POWER TOOLS SAFELY

Fall weather is often perfect for working around the farm or home. But be sure to keep safety in mind during such work periods, especially when using power tools.

These safety pointers are offered:

1. Get to know your power tools well. Read instruction booklets carefully. Find out the possibilities, limitations and hazards inherent in each tool.
2. Always use the right tool for the job. Don't substitute. Never force a tool to do what it was not manufactured to do.

Sewing contest seeks entrants

Farm, ranch and agri-business women can display their fashion and sewing skills at the Natural Fibers Fashion Showcase at the Southwest Farm and Ranch Exposition in Fort Worth Feb. 28.

The showcase demonstrates finished products from cotton, wool and mohair — all Texas agricultural commodities.

Entrants will compete for first, second and third place awards in four divisions: custom sewn garments, knitted and crocheted garments, coordinated mother and child ensembles, and former grand award winners. Each garment entered in the show must be made of a minimum blend of 50 percent cotton or 50 percent wool and-or mohair.

Contestants must be 18 years or older and actively involved in farming, ranching or agri-business or be a member (or member's spouse) of an agriculture-related organization such as Extension Homemakers Clubs, Young Homemakers, Young Farmers, 4-H Leader Association, producer associations or auxiliaries and tractor pullers' clubs.

Entries must be submitted by Feb. 7. Contest rules and entry blanks are available at the county Extension office.

Doll watching



(Staff photo by Cathy Spaulding)

Peggy Chambers of Longview, left, shows her mother Juanita Parker of 604 Bradley one of 168 dolls on display at the Salvation Army Doll Tea Thursday. The dolls, which wear costumes sewn by volunteers, will be distributed to needy children this Christmas.

Headless rooster story has a host of legs to stand on

DEAR READERS: A Michigan reader asked me to prove that he was neither nuts nor the world's biggest storyteller when he recounted the story about a decapitated rooster that lived several days with his head chopped off. (He had read about it in Life magazine in the early '50s.)

"Please help. My reputation is riding on this," he pleaded. "Maybe one of your readers remembers it and can back me up."

I replied: "Life magazine ceased publication in 1972, but if anyone out there can provide me with any information on the decapitated rooster, it will be something to crow about."

Well, came the dawn, and with it a letter, Federal Express, from Life magazine's top brass informing me that Life had, indeed, died as a weekly in 1972, but continued to publish special reports twice a year. Then, in 1978, Life resumed publication as a monthly magazine, and celebrated its 50th anniversary on Nov. 15.

Readers informed me that the rooster story had appeared in the Oct. 22, 1945, issue of Life. I received over 100 photocopies of the article and six originals. There were pictures showing "Mike," the headless rooster, strutting around, hale and hearty.

According to Life: "Ever since Sept. 10 (1945), a Wyandotte rooster named Mike has been living a normal chicken's life though he has no head. He walks, flaps his wings, preens his feathers and when he hears other roosters crow, even answers with a few croaky gurgles."

"Mike lost his head in the usual rooster way: Mrs. L.A. Olsen, wife of a farmer in



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Fruita, Colo., 200 miles west of Denver, decided to have a chicken dinner. Mr. Olsen took Mike to the chopping block and axed off his head. Thereupon Mike got up and soon began to strut about. After decapitation, many chickens run around frantically before dying. Mike, however, kept going as if nothing had happened.

"What Mr. Olsen's ax had done was to clip off most of the skull but leave intact one ear, the jugular vein and the base of the brain, which controls motor functions. Still thriving and gaining weight, Mike has been on exhibition in Salt Lake City at 25 cents admission. His owners have put a \$10,000 price tag on him."

Other photographs showed Mike being fed with milk and water from an eyedropper through his esophagus, which had not closed over. Mike was also fed a few small grains of corn, which he had no trouble digesting.

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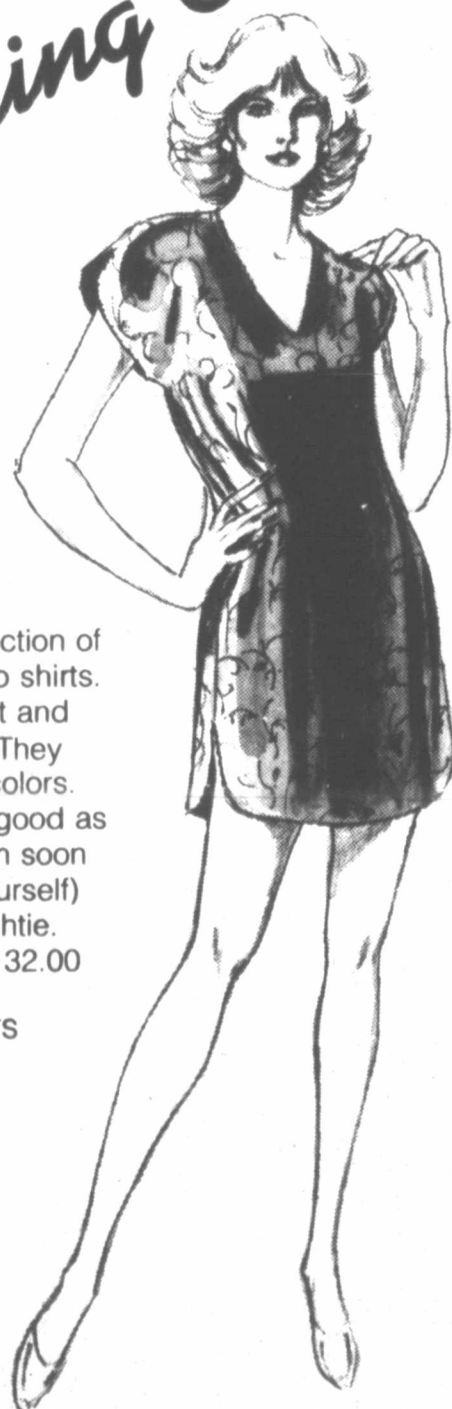
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4. Always keep guards in place. They are there to protect you and are designed to help the tool operate at optimum safety.

5. Make sure tools and accessories are in top working order. A dull cutting edge on a saw, for instance, will force the user to apply extra pressure that could lead to slippage and an accident.

6. Never operate a power tool in a damp or wet area.

7. Dress with safety in mind.

Never sport dangling sleeves, loose shirttails or jewelry that could catch in moving parts. Wear short sleeves; if you wear long sleeves, make sure the cuffs are buttoned.

8. Don't clutter up your work area. Sloppy housekeeping is an invitation to accidents.

9. Discourage an audience. Onlookers are a distraction, and accidents are likely to happen when you are distracted. Make the workshop especially off limits to children and pets.

10. Always store tools in a safe place and away from the prying eyes and probing hands of children.

11. Plan your work according to your skills and the job to be done.

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- 12 Abuse (comp. wd.)
- 13 Less difficult
- 14 Balance unsteadily
- 15 On the briny
- 16 Uneven
- 18 Shooting match (Fr.)
- 19 Customer
- 20 Cut down (a tree)
- 24 Handle (Fr.)
- 25 Halos
- 26 Tristan's beloved
- 29 Quartz
- 30 Railway car
- 31 Snoozing
- 32 Pertaining to the moon
- 33 In proper manner
- 34 And others (2 wds.)
- 35 Boundary
- 36 Ungentlemanly man
- 39 Not suitable
- 41 Climbing plant
- 42 Valued
- 45 Football team
- 47 Wiry
- 48 Soften in temper
- 49 Tailless amphibians
- 50 Marshal Dillon's nickname

DOWN

- 1 Seemingly
- 2 Auto racer Al
- 3 Freshwater porpoise

- 4 Last letter
- 5 Beverages
- 6 Joyously
- 7 Cashew, e.g.
- 8 Language suffix
- 9 Indian unit of weight
- 10 Place to sit
- 11 Bureau
- 12 Believe
- 17 Female ruff
- 19 Below
- 21 American
- 22 Fasten
- 23 Jump
- 24 Treated chemically
- 25 Bride's passageway
- 26 Small island
- 27 Soot
- 28 Mrs. Charles Chaplin
- 29 Stroll
- 33 Hors d'oeuvre mixture
- 35 Wife of a lord
- 36 Musk cat
- 37 Concerning
- 38 Impression
- 40 TV program
- 41 Constellation
- 42 Time zone (abbr.)
- 43 Grande
- 44 Actress Balin
- 46 Astronaut's ferry

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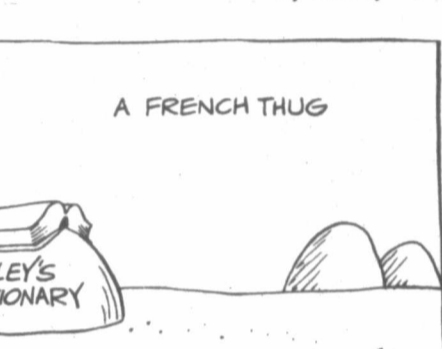
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Prospects for your earning abilities look encouraging for the year ahead. Be wary, however, of making a vocational change until you've examined all of its ramifications.

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't take on more than you can comfortably manage today. If you begin things you don't finish, these projects are apt to be shelved for a long time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In order to be successful today, you must maintain a positive outlook. Don't let doubts cause you to worry about things that may never happen.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In case you go shopping today, be careful not to buy merchandise you have no specific purpose for. Expensive items you may never use will have a strong appeal.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In crucial career situations today, you might behave in a manner that you hope will impress associates, even though you'll know your actions don't show your best side.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Guard against temptations today to discuss a confidential matter with one who is not involved. In discreet conversations will turn your secrets into common knowledge.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't treat a friend indifferently today because you are envious of his or her achievements. Jealous motives mustn't discolor your behavior.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you fail to take a firm position, you will confuse and annoy your companions today. Strive to be decisive, not wishy-washy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you have to work with unfamiliar tools or materials today, first seek instructions from experts before attempting to use them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today you might have to associate with someone you know from past experience is deceitful. Keep your guard up during this encounter.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Be mindful of promises you made to your mate, so that you don't forget to fulfill them today. Oversights on your behalf will be construed as thoughtlessness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Unless you have something complimentary to say about co-workers today, you'd be wise to say nothing at all. Your comments will be resented.

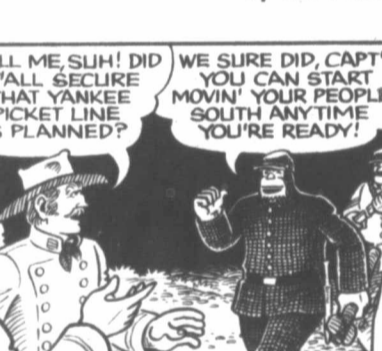
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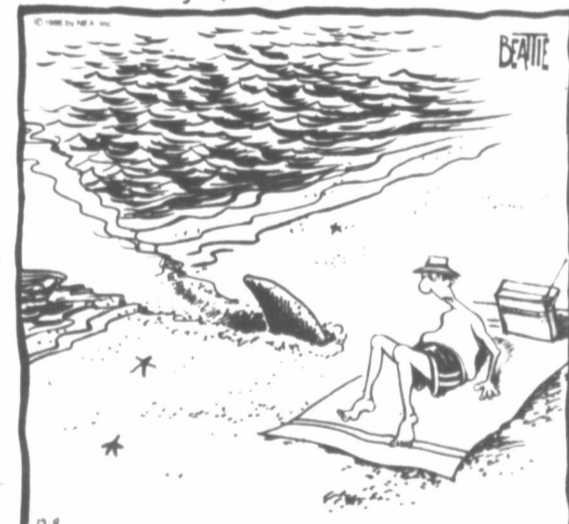
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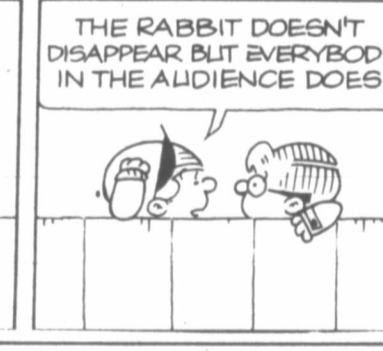
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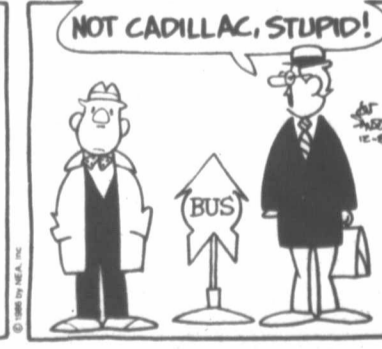
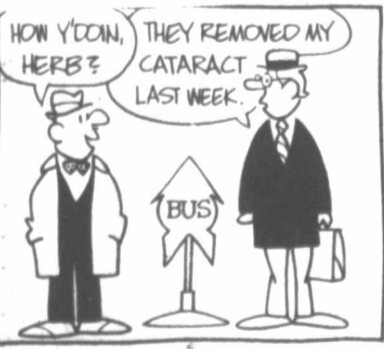
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Sports Scene

Lady Harvesters win tournament

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

For the second year in a row, the Pampa Lady Harvesters came away with the championship trophy in the Abilene Girls Key City Tournament.

The Lady Harvesters not only received a handsome 3-foot high trophy for trimming Abilene High 69-65 in the finals Saturday night, but were also rewarded with a police escort down Hobart Street when they arrived in Pampa Sunday afternoon.

"One of our players (Camilla Brown) has a dad on the police force, so we had some inside help with that," laughed Lady Harvesters' Head Coach Albert Nichols.

Pampa ran its record to 5-1 with the comeback victory over Abilene in the finals.

"Three of our girls (Yolanda Brown, Landee Cummings and Jackie Reed) made the all-tournament team, but it was a team effort all the way," Nichols said.

The championship game was as exciting as the matchup a year ago when Pampa edged Abilene High 49-48 in the finals.

The Eaglettes had vengeance on their minds after pulling away

to a 10-point lead in the third quarter, but the Lady Harvesters battled back and pulled within five, 53-48, after three quarters. With Abilene ahead by four with 4:24 to go, Pampa ran off eight consecutive points to nail down the hard-fought win.

Sophomore Yolanda Brown was a dominant force for Pampa with 29 points and 14 rebounds. Landee Cummings followed with 15 points and Jackie Reed added 10.

Also scoring for Pampa were Holly Hoganson with 9, Camilla Brown 4 and Hope Henson 2.

The Lady Harvesters reached the finals by blasting Wichita Falls Rider 63-38 in Saturday morning's semifinals.

"We played at 9 o'clock Saturday morning and we're not much of an early morning team, but I don't guess Wichita Falls was either," Nichols said.

Henson topped Pampa scoring with 13 points, followed by Reed with 11, Donna Hoggatt 9, Keitha Clark 8, Hoganson 8, Cummings 7, Camilla Brown 4, and Yolanda Brown 3.

The Lady Harvesters open District 1-4A play at Borger Tuesday night with the tipoff at 7:30 p.m.

While the Lady Harvesters were winning at Abilene, the



The Pampa Lady Harvesters show off their championship trophy after winning the Abilene Girls Key City Tournament. Team members are (front row, l-r) DeAnna Mogus, manager; Hope Henson, Camilla Brown, Landee Cummings, Belinda Valenzuela, manager, and Holly Hoganson; (back row, l-r) Keitha Clark, Donna Hoggatt, Yolanda Brown, Coach Albert Nichols, Sarah Miller and Jackie Reed.

Pampa Junior Varsity girls were playing in the Hartley Tournament. They lost to Hartley 45-42 in the

first game and then were eliminated by Channing 50-38. Tacy Stoddard was top scorer for Pampa JVs in both games.

She hit 24 against Hartley and 10 against Channing. Pampa JVs are now 2-3 for the season.

Playoff picture muddies

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

Do not adjust your set. Don't fool around with the fine tuning. The NFL playoff picture, muddled as it was entering the 13th week of the season, isn't any clearer. It's probably even fuz-zier.

Three teams — the New York Giants, Washington Redskins and defending champion Chicago Bears — know they are in. But they knew that last week, before the Giants won Sunday's NFC East showdown with the Redskins 24-14 and the Bears routed Tampa Bay 48-14. No one else clinched a berth in the playoffs and some of the leading contenders for spots in the AFC — the Patriots, Broncos and Jets — were losers.

Cincinnati upset New England 31-7 to remain one game behind the Cleveland Browns in the AFC Central. The 12-4 Browns have as good a record as anyone in the conference after a 21-17 victory at Buffalo.

The Patriots also are 10-4 and tied atop the AFC East with the Jets, who lost their third straight, 24-10 to San Francisco. Denver is 10-4 following a 37-10 rout at the hands of Kansas City, which stopped the Broncos from winning the AFC West crown and kept its slim playoff hopes alive.

Denver still can win the division if the Los Angeles Raiders lose to Seattle tonight.

By virtue of their victory, the 49ers moved to 8-5-1, a half-game ahead of Minnesota in the scramble for the second NFC wild-card spot. The Vikings romped past Green Bay 32-6.

The Rams, with a 29-10 victory over the Dallas Cowboys, stayed one-half game in front of San Francisco in the NFC West. Dallas, 7-7, was virtually eliminated from playoff consideration.

Got all that? In games with no postseason implications, Indianapolis won its first game after 13 losses, 28-23 over Atlanta on a blocked punt touchdown with 20 seconds remaining; Pittsburgh took Detroit 27-17; Miami beat New Orleans 31-27; San Diego blanked Houston 27-0; and Philadelphia played a 10-10 tie with St. Louis.

Chargers shutout Houston

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Dan Fouts broke through the 40,000-yard mark in career passing and Gary Anderson supplied some razzle-dazzle, but the San Diego Chargers defense stole the show.

Charger defenders set up 21 points by forcing three turnovers and held an opponent scoreless for the first time in 105 regular season games in a 27-0 victory over the Houston Oilers on Sunday.

The beating was the worst of the year for the Oilers, who had lost only one previous game by more than two touchdowns.

"This is the first time in 14 weeks we've gotten whipped," Houston Coach Jerry Glanville said.

San Diego defenders sacked Houston quarterback Oliver Luck six times for 55 yards in losses and yielded a season low 134 yards in total offense in registering their first shutout since a 35-0 victory over New Orleans on Dec. 9, 1979.

Gunman threatens Landry

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Cowboys Coach Tom Landry was the target of several telephone threats on his life Sunday night and, flanked by security guards, left the field for several minutes during Dallas' NFL game with the Los Angeles Rams.

Landry, the only coach the team has had in 27 years, returned to the field wearing a protective vest underneath his sweater.

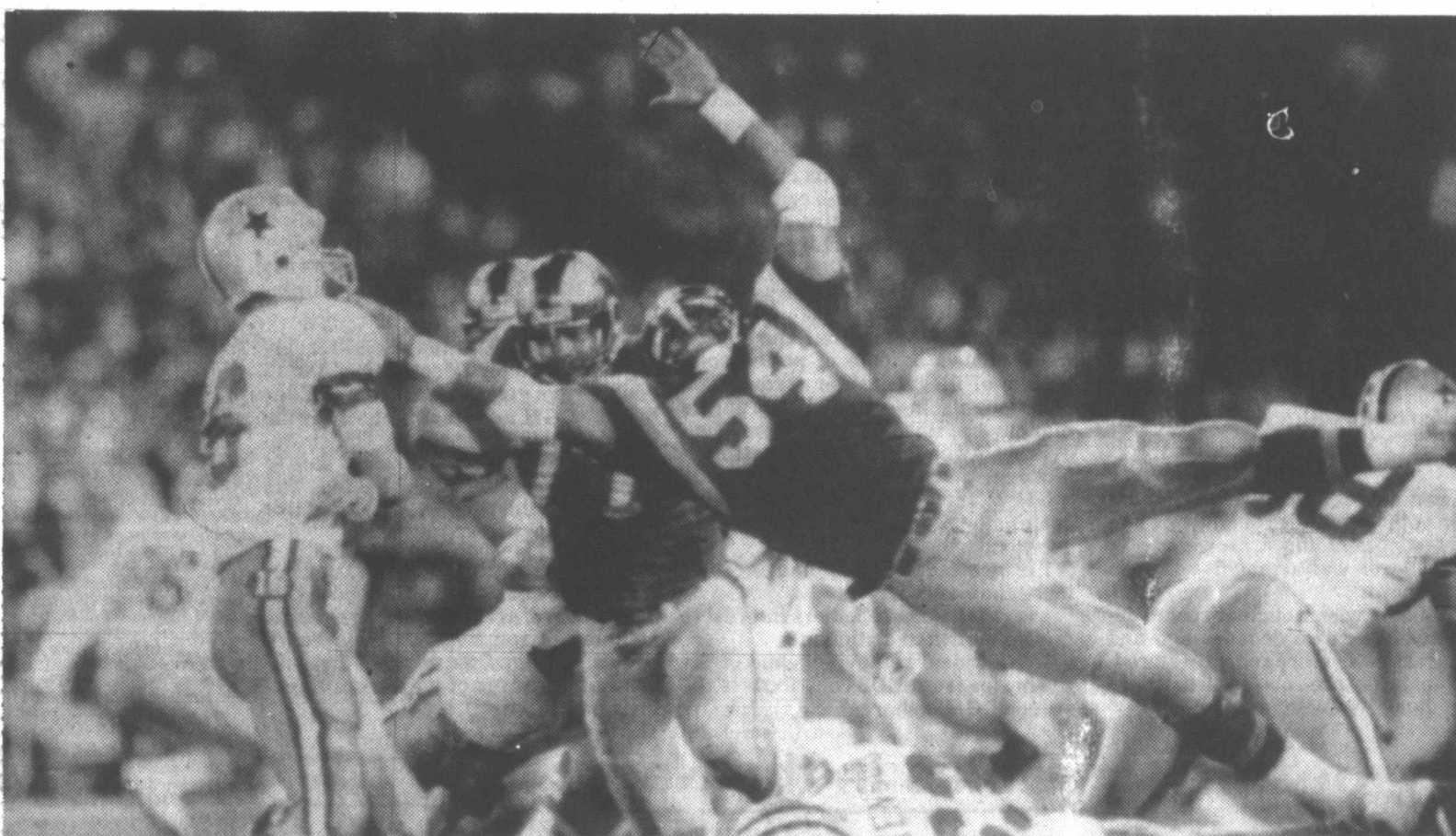
Lt. Jackie Parra of the Anaheim Police Dept., said in a statement: "At approximately 7:55 p.m. (PST), during the Los Angeles Rams versus Dallas Cowboys football game, a call was received by the operator at Anaheim Stadium from an unidentified male subject. He stated that his brother who has a mental problem was present at the game and whose purpose was to shoot Coach Tom Landry of the Dallas Cowboys."

"The Anaheim Police Department advised security representatives of the National Football League and the head of security of the Dallas Cowboys football team of the incident. Security for the Dallas Cowboys requested further protection for Coach Landry. He was taken to the locker room and provided with an anti-ballistics vest and returned to the game shortly thereafter. The investigation into the incident is continuing by the Anaheim Police Department."

"I had to make a choice," Landry said. "They left it to me whether I wanted to come back or not. I felt that's where I belonged, back on the field."

"It (the threats) makes the game seem unimportant," added Landry, who said he was most worried about someone else getting hurt.

"I don't usually think much about these things," Landry said. Society has these problems and security has to take charge. It wasn't difficult for me to concentrate on the game; it was difficult to beat the Rams."



Rams linebacker Mike Wilcher, 54, makes a flying try for Pelluer.

Rams flatten Cowboys' hopes

By KEN PETERS
AP Sports Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The Los Angeles Rams continued to roll with their new quarterback, while things just got gloomier — and even a little scary — for the Dallas Cowboys.

The Rams, led by rookie quarterback Jim Everett, moved to within one victory of clinching the NFC West title by defeating the Cowboys 29-10 Sunday.

The loss was the third straight for the Cowboys, who have also dropped five of their last six and are virtually eliminated from playoff contention with a 7-7 record.

The game was marred by phoned death threats against Dallas Coach Tom Landry.

Anaheim police said a man made two anonymous phone calls to the Anaheim Stadium security offices during the game, warning that his mentally troubled brother, who he said was at the game, might try to shoot Landry.

"When the security people are concerned, I'm concerned," Landry said. "I had to make a choice whether or not to go back out. I just felt like that's where I wanted to be at that

time. Those things happen." Said Dallas running back Tony Dorsett: "It was a very eerie feeling being on the sideline after hearing what we heard."

"Wait a minute, man, this is only a game. My life is more important than anything."

"As far as concentration, you know you are going to keep your head in the game, as well as wondering, 'Well, is something going to happen? Is there a sniper in here? Is he going for one individual or is he going to spray the whole sideline?'"

"It made for a very uncomfortable situation." Still, Dorsett, who was held to 36 yards rushing on 11 carries, said the threats weren't the reason the Cowboys lost.

"They just out-hit us and won the football game," he said. "No one likes to lose, especially a Dallas Cowboy. And now we are the laughingstock of the NFL and everybody's loving it."

"And we haven't done anything to prevent that. It's very disappointing for us right now."

Over in the Rams' locker room, the feeling

was markedly different, as Los Angeles built its NFC West lead to 1½ games over San Francisco with just two games remaining. The Rams can wrap up their second consecutive West title by beating Miami next Sunday.

"Jim Everett played great football," Rams Coach John Robinson said after the rookie quarterback completed 14 of 25 passes for 212 yards, including a 22-yard touchdown pass to Henry Ellard.

"When you're playing against Dallas' defense, you have to do it right if you're going to succeed."

Everett, in just his fourth pro game, threw for 182 yards and a touchdown in the first half as the Rams built a 20-10 lead.

"The offensive line did a great job and the receivers caught the ball," said Everett, who's unbeaten in his three games as the Rams' starter.

Dickerson, who gained 106 yards on 28 carries, praised the young quarterback, saying, "I really love to see him throw. It was nice to see him hit a few passes after they started to bring their linebackers up."

Pins help recall baseball victories, tragedy

By KAREN OGLESBY
Pecos Enterprise

PECOS (AP) — Roy Pena's favorite baseball cap is a traveling showcase, covered just above its bill with a dozen service pins from the Pecos Little League Association and the Evening Optimist Club.

The pins take the Pecos native back to when he played on Little League teams here, and up to the past two years, when Pecos made it to state all-star competition.

There are people who come to mind, too. His oldest son's team eight years ago was one of the few undefeated teams to come out of Pecos. And his friend, Coach Chano Prieto, was killed in a traffic accident on the way home from state this year.

The memories all fuse together in a

new pin designed by Pena himself that is now available for copy by any Little League Association worldwide.

A jewelry manufacturer this year asked Little League associations to design their own pins. The company notified Pena that its national advertisements in Boy's Life and Baseball Digest will feature his design, which was termed as "one that stood out above the rest."

But to the 42-year-old who makes his living installing communications equipment, the new pin is just as important as the others on his cap.

"It's really a pretty simple thing," Pena said. "I just took lots of other pins I'd seen and put them into one I thought would fit Pecos."

As he spoke, Pena unclipped the half-dollar size pin from his cap and displayed it between his forefinger and thumb. The pin is round, banded by the words

"Little League District 4" and topped with a miniature baseball cap in Pecos' purple and gold colors. Inside the circle, the state of Texas bears a star where Pecos is located and the name, Evening Optimist Club.

Pena has been active with Optimists here for two years and is now vice president.

Pena then pinned the newest addition to his collection back on his cap, and his thoughts returned to Little League.

Since 1979, Pena has served as coach, manager and umpire and has also held various offices on the board of directors of the Pecos Little League Association. He has watched the organization grow to about 250 players.

"See these two pins?" he said, pointing to the cap. "For the last two years, Pecos has gone to state. We've been sportsmanship both times ..."

"Only 16 teams out of the whole state of Texas — out of about 500 teams — get to go to state," Pena noted.

But this year's state pin also jolts some tragic memories in Pena: the traffic accident that left all-star team manager Chano Prieto dead and nine players injured.

"We saw the Suburban up ahead on the wrong side of the highway — it had hit a construction area and rolled three times," Pena recalled. "People were scattered all over the place — and we said, 'That's Chano's Suburban.' At the same time, we couldn't believe it."

All nine of the youngsters in Prieto's vehicle required medical treatment, Michael Carrasco and two of Prieto's sons, Jaime and Chano Prieto Jr., were the most severely injured, Pena said.

"In the 16 years they've had Little League tournaments at Waco, and peo-

ple coming from all over the state, no one has ever had a major accident like this," Pena said.

"Why it had to happen to Pecos, I don't know."

The Little League Association here has taken measures to improve safety on the road, including attempts to secure a bus for out-of-town trips and to recruit more sponsors.

"I know the accident will have an effect on us, but I hope for better," Pena said. "What we need is more adults helping — it's hard for 15 or 20 to handle 250 kids."

Pena hopes that participation might be boosted with the pin he designed for the Pecos Little League Association.

Besides being featured in the national magazines, the pin is on display next to the three-foot traveling sportsmanship trophy at the Waco headquarters and has been circulated among other Texas Little League districts.

\$20,000 suite



(AP Laserphoto)

Jean Pachadin, butler, is pictured in the Fairmont Hotel's famed Penthouse Suite in San Francisco. For \$20,000 a night the Fairmont is offering a holiday special that allows up to 20 people to spend an entire evening in one of eight suites available. The suite include some 15 rooms, butlers, maids, use of a Rolls Royce and other services.

Campaign to show nuclear waste dump a good neighbor

BEATTY, Nev. (AP) — Federal officials are welcoming the public to a dump for radioactive material on the remote desert stretches of the Nevada Test Site in an effort to show there is nothing to fear from nuclear waste.

The once off-limits Beatty Low-Level Radioactive Waste Site 60 miles north of Las Vegas is now open to visitors. The Department of Energy and a coalition of nuclear industry groups provide the tour guides.

Faced with legislation calling for the establishment of a national repository for high-level radioactive waste by 1998 and a low-level facility in California by 1989, government and industry are focusing on safety.

"The more people we get out to see it (the Beatty site), the less trouble we're going to have when we build one in California," said George Kolmenschlag of USECology, the Louisville, Ky., firm burying wastes at Beatty.

Three sites are being studied as the location for the national nuclear repository mandated by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1983 — Hanford, Wash., Deaf Smith County, Texas, and the Nevada Test Site.

The industry-sponsored Western Forum for Education in the Safe Disposal of Low-Level Radioactive Waste is encouraging Californians to tour the Beatty facility, 10 miles from the community of Beatty.

Reservations are required, and visitors must give their name, address, occupation and Social Security number.

Sightseers and workers alike must wear hard hats and film badges to detect radioactivity. Departing visitors are checked with a dosimeter to ensure they don't track radioactivity outside; workers receive regular full-body checks.

The visitors are shown pottery and jewelry and

told the items give off more radiation than workers are exposed to at the disposal site.

Low-level wastes from such places as hospitals, universities and industry arrive in 55-gallon drums in solid form, said Chuck Gabel, a spokesman for Southern California Edison Co. The utility runs California's San Onofre nuclear plant, which produces some of the material trucked to the site.

"The radioactive byproducts of those beneficial uses must be disposed of," Gabel said, noting the radioactivity is usually gone within 100 years.

Beatty receives up to 12 truckloads of waste each week, said site manager Dave Irvin.

Kolmenschlag said the site has stringent safeguards.

"It is a hazard, and it's tightly regulated, more than other things that should be," he said. "It's overplayed, emotional. People associate nuclear with Hiroshima and Nagasaki."

The waste dump is mapped and trenches are identified with "tombstones" — concrete markers with brass labels showing what was buried when, Irvin said.

Four groups are also shown the Nevada Test Site 50 miles away. One group was taken there just hours after a nuclear bomb with a yield equivalent to 150,000 tons of TNT was exploded underground Nov. 14.

If the visitors had any qualms about being exposed to radiation at the proving ground — the site of numerous protests, including a recent one in which actor Martin Sheen was arrested — none in the group made it known.

They toured a building where nuclear rocket engine tests were conducted two decades ago and where high-level waste was more recently stored. The visitors manipulated pre-robotic arms once used to handle radioactive fuels.

George Owen is the man close to storm's center

DALLAS (AP) — George Washington Owen Jr., who finds himself near the center of the latest football flap at Southern Methodist University, said his intentions were to help the school, not hurt it. Acquaintances describe Owen as the ultimate booster.

Owen, 61, is a native of Dallas. He attended SMU on a basketball scholarship, once worked for the NFL's New Orleans Saints and is now a real estate developer.

He has a colorful past — if for nothing else by his relationship with famed striptease dancer Candy Barr and his marriage to Maureen "Mo" Kane, who after divorcing him married John Dean, the counsel for President Nixon and a central figure in the Watergate scandal.

Owens was one of nine SMU boosters singled out by the NCAA last year for undisclosed recruiting activities. Owen was barred for life from having contact with SMU athletes, an event that he says has caused him pain.

Owen said he feels pain at having been banned from tugging with SMU's athletic programs.

"I just don't want to do anything that would cause SMU any embarrassment or any problems," he said. "I've done enough of that already."

Three weeks ago, The Dallas Morning News reported that Owen had provided a rent-free apartment in Carrollton to Albert Reese, an SMU football player. Reese was suspended for the last two games of the season.

Owen acknowledges providing a rent-free apart-

ment in the same complex for David Stanley. Last month, Stanley told Dallas television station WFAA that he received \$25,000 for signing with the Mustangs and continued to receive monthly payments after SMU went on its latest NCAA probation in August 1985.

"He'd give you the shirt off his back," said Henry Lee Parker, SMU's football recruiting coordinator. "If he's your friend, he's your friend for life, through everything and anything. He's a very, very generous person. To a fault, I'd have to say."

Parker and Owen worked together with the Saints in the 1960s.

Owen grew up in Dallas and attended SMU from 1948 to 1951 on a basketball scholarship. Eventually he was to become part of a group called the Rover Boys, who attended sporting events together. The group included broadcaster Gordon McLendon and Clint Murchison, then a principal owner of the Dallas Cowboys.

It was during this time that he was married to Maureen Kane, who would become better known as the wife of White House counsel John Dean.

In her book, "Mo: A Woman's View of Watergate," she said that six weeks after she married Owen in 1967 she discovered his divorce was not final from his previous marriage. She left him then, she said.

Records indicate that Owen had gotten a divorce in Mexico.

The future Mrs. Dean was one of three famous women with whom Owen was involved.

GM's sweet deal for Perot sours others

NEW YORK (AP) — When General Motors plucked a thorn named Ross Perot from its corporate hide on December 1 it paid him twice the price for his stock that could have been obtained by lesser shareholders.

Included in the deal was an agreement to make similar payments to some top officers of Electronic Data Systems Corp., founded by Perot, purchased by GM in 1984 and operated since then as a semi-autonomous GM subsidiary.

In addition, the GM-Perot deal included a pact designed to prevent Perot from continuing his criticism of GM management, which criticism, he insists, was for the future good of the company, the world's largest manufacturer.

It has other shareholders wondering. And, considering that the agreement follows a spate of public complaints of illegal insider trading and questionable investor and corporate maneuvers, it isn't just GM shareholders who wonder if they're getting a fair deal.

GM shareholders, however, have center stage for the moment, and they are wondering:

1. Is it ethical to pay one investor more than another?
2. Is it in the shareholders' interest to muffle informed criticism?
3. Can a deal removing some of the top brains from EDS contribute to the value of GM's shares?

The Securities and Exchange Commission, already concerned with a series of revelations about illegal insider trading cases, is interested in another aspect of the EDS-GM relationship, this one involving the nature of the shares.

After purchasing EDS, GM issued to EDS owners and existing GM shareholders a special "Class E" common stock. The new stock provides dividends based on EDS profits; but it has only one-fourth the voting rights of regular GM shares.

To issue more than one class of common stock, and to provide stock of unequal voting power, violates existing New York Stock Exchange requirements. The exchange, however, bent; it now seeks SEC approval to eliminate the bans.

Because of the timing, the SEC hearing scheduled for December 16 and 17 could prove volatile. One shareholder has sued GM and its directors to stop the Perot deal. Other large GM shareholders are upset, and it seems safe to say many smaller ones are too. The hearing could become an outlet for frustrations.

Related matters, mainly arising out of investor and management behavior in takeovers, are likely to be vented at another hearing, scheduled this month by Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis., incoming chairman of the Senate Banking Committee.

Newspaper: Houston may be out as the 1988 GOP convention site

HOUSTON (AP) — National Republican officials are on the verge of eliminating Houston as the site for the party's 1988 national convention because Democrats probably will have their national convention there, the Houston Post reported.

Houston has everything the GOP wants in a convention site, but committee members do not want to pick the same city where the Democrats will convene, The Post reported.

"We are 99 percent certain that Houston is where the Democrats are going," said committee member Eileen Schouweiler of Nevada.

The GOP site selection committee will meet in Washington Thursday and Friday to come up with a short list of cities.

Despite an earlier announcement, several committee members said there is a possibility the list, to be released on Friday, could contain only two cities instead of three, according to The Post.

If Houston survives the cut, it will be because its other competitors have major problems satisfying

the party's technical requirements, the newspaper said.

The Post quoted unnamed committee members as saying Houston still has a good chance of being among the finalists.

Other candidates for the convention site include New Orleans, Atlanta, Seattle and Kansas City, The Post reported. All but eliminated are St. Louis, Philadelphia, Las Vegas, Detroit and Los Angeles, the newspaper said.

Houston Mayor Kathy Whitmire and state GOP chairman George Strake are popular with the selection committee, the Post said.

Gov.-elect Bill Clements' defeat of Democratic Gov. Mark White was mentioned by most committee members as one reason why Houston is still high on the list.

"The elections are bound to have some bearings," Ms. Schouweiler said. "We have political experts telling us that we don't want to go to a place where we did very badly."

Names in the News

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil, who collaborated on hit songs like "You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin'" have earned the National Academy of Songwriters' first Lifetime Achievement award.

Stephen Bishop, Burt Bacharach and his wife Carole Bayer Sager, Brian Wilson and Kim Carnes performed for the 2,000 people who attended the Saturday night ceremony kicking off the academy's "National Songwriters Week."

The event also gave writers whose names aren't as famous as their songs a chance to perform, including Billy Steinberg and Tom Kelly, who wrote Cyndi Lauper's latest hit, "True Colors," and Madonna's "Like a Virgin."

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Fans walked through the bedrooms of country music singers Wynonna and Naomi Judd as the mother-daughter duo opened their tour bus for inspection at the American Bus Association convention.

"I wouldn't mind being a stowaway," said Julie Brooks of Murfreesboro, who walked through the Judds' bus and other vehicles with her husband and two children Sunday.

"We're fans of the Judds, so it was worth the drive."

The Judds' Silver Eagle has two bedrooms. Interior fabrics match the exterior's dusty rose color, and appointments include televisions, stereo, plush carpeting, skylights and indirect lighting.

The Judds' band mem-

bers and others travel in a second bus equally as plush but arranged differently. It was also on display.

The Judds' vehicles and 17 other buses worth more than \$4 million were at Buscade 1986, sponsored by the trade association which is meeting here through Friday. Several hundred fans and convention delegates toured them.

Buses owned by Conway Twitty and John Hartford also were on display.

The Judds, known for their hits "Mama He's Crazy" and "Rockin' With the Rhythm," won a Grammy this year for the best country performance by a duo or group with vocals.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Stage, film and TV actress Nanette Fabray, the winner of a Tony and two Emmy awards, received the Screen Actors Guild's highest award for her career achievements and contribution to humanitarian concerns.

Miss Fabray, given the award Sunday during the organization's annual membership meeting, began acting at age 5, is hearing impaired and a founder of the National Theater of the Deaf and the National Captioning Institute.

In 1986, she was appointed to the Senate Commission on Education of the Deaf, said guild spokesman Mark Locher.

The achievement award, depicted by bronze masks of comedy and tragedy on a marble base, was created in 1963 for recognition of those "fostering the finest ideals of the acting profession."

Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
Selection of County Depository Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Gray County, Texas, will, at its meeting on January 15, 1987, select a County Depository of and for the public funds of Gray County, Texas, for the years 1987 and 1988 starting March 1, 1987. Also included in the public funds are funds of the County Permanent and Available School Funds and trust funds in the hands of the County and District Clerks. The application will conform to the provisions of the County Depository Law, Articles 2544 to 2588A inclusive, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas; the rules and regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and the requirements of the Gray County Commissioners' Court.

Any banking corporation, association or individual banker of Gray County, Texas, desiring to be designated and/or selected as such depository shall make and deliver to the County Judge of Gray County, Texas, a sealed application applying for such funds stating the amount of paid up capital stock and permanent surplus of said bank, together with a statement showing the financial condition of said bank at the date of said application, which shall be delivered to the County Judge of Gray County, Texas, on or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on January 15, 1987. Said application shall also be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half (1/2) of one percent (1%) of \$5,228,000, being Gray County's revenue for the year 1986, as a guarantee of the good faith on the part of said bank, corporation, or individual banker, that said bank, association or individual banker is accepted and/or selected as County Depository it will enter into the bond or securities provided therefore by law before the effective date of March 1, 1987. Further, the institution should state the amount of interest to be paid on the following accounts:
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Changes in interest rate due to term should be stated.
For bid purposes, interest rates may be fixed or variable. A variable rate can be a factor in relation to a known, published rate. If such is used, a copy of the published rate must be provided to the County Treasurer with each time deposit.

The institution, as part of its bid, must supply all checks, deposit slips, safe deposit boxes, cashier's and certified checks and all service charges at no cost to the county.
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Carl Kennedy
Gray County Judge
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 1986
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Leisure Time, a new store at the Pampa Mall selling hot tubs and jacuzzis, is welcomed to Pampa by Pampa Chamber of Commerce Gold Coat Charles Buzzard, third from right; and Pampa Mall manager Becky Sayer, second from left. The store is owned by Mary and Cody Morrow, second from right and right, accompanied by their daughter Haley. Others pictured are Cathy Officer, left, store employee, and Mike Edgerton, third from left, a representative of Sonoma Spa.

Anniversary of rural shootings at Lone Tree

LONE TREE, Iowa (AP) — Emotional scars in this rural area remain tender a year after a financially troubled farmer shot and killed his wife, a banker and another farmer before turning his gun on himself.

Most of the 900 residents of Lone Tree, where Dale N. Burr visited with neighbors and sent his children to school, are reluctant to discuss what led him to his violent spree on Dec. 9, 1985.

"I never hear anybody talk about it really," said Bill Crawford, editor of the Lone Tree Reporter weekly newspaper, which has no plans to mention the anniversary of the deaths. "People don't like to be thought of as a town where something that violent happened."

Hills Bank and Trust officials would provide only a carefully worded statement when asked to comment on the slaying of John Hughes, 46, the bank's president.

"The tragedy of Dec. 9, 1985, continues to be profoundly felt in the Hills area and at Hills Bank and Trust Company," bank President Dwight O. Seegmiller said. "While we all look back upon the past year with great sadness, we face the future with the same spirit of confidence and optimism as was exemplified by John Hughes."

Burr's son, John, remains on the family farm despite foreclo-

sure on some of the land. He won't discuss the slayings because of the emotions involved, said his attorney, Stephen C. Gerard II.

The day of the shootings, the elder Burr, 63, left a note at his home about three miles north of here saying he couldn't deal with mounting financial trouble. "I'm sorry. I can't take the problems anymore," he wrote.

He shot his wife, Emily, 64, in the chest with his 12-gauge shotgun, then drove eight miles to Hills, where he shot Hughes once in the head while the banker sat at his desk.

Burr got in his pickup and drove about four miles to the land

Richard Goody, 38, farmed and shot him outside a barn. Burr then fired at a truck carrying Goody's wife Marilyn and son Mark. Shotgun pellets dented the truck's cab but the woman and child escaped unharmed.

The Burrs and Goody had been battling over tenant contracts on 80 acres John Burr had bought.

A Johnson County deputy responding to a call about the shootings followed Burr's truck for about two miles before it pulled over. The deputy waited about five minutes for a state police officer to arrive as a backup. The lawmen found Burr dead in the cab of his truck.

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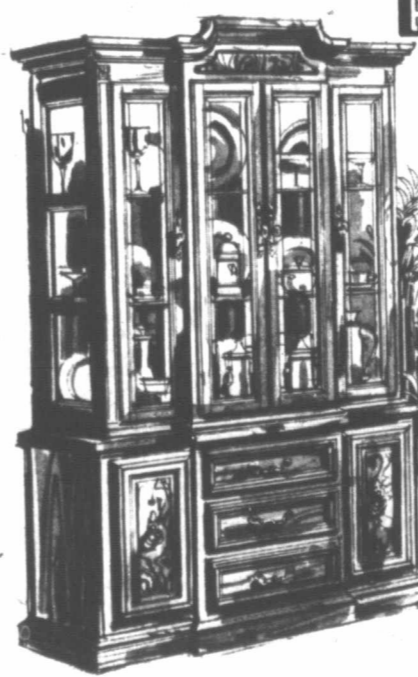


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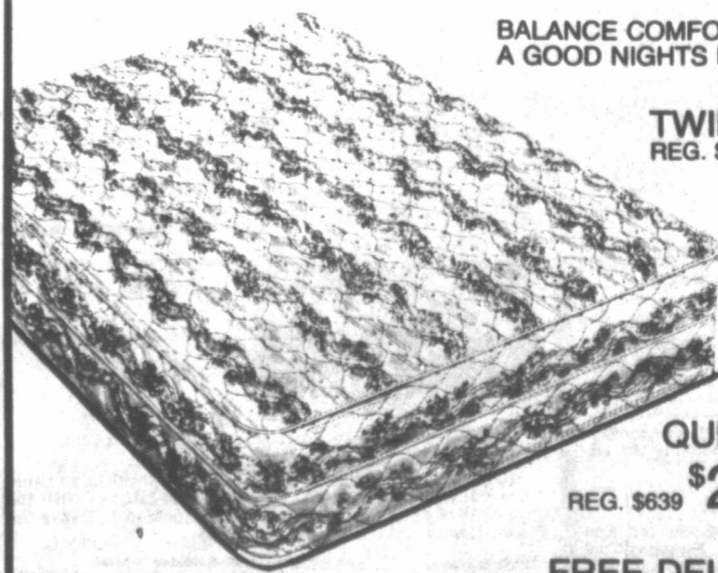
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