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MONDAY

Medicare benefits bill contains tax-increase surprise

WASHINGTON (AP) — The politicians taking credit for passage of a new program to protect the elderly from the financial ravages of catastrophic illness have been less eager to acknowledge that it also means a major tax increase for millions of older Americans.

Those who benefit from the legislation now awaiting President Reagan's signature would pay the entire cost—at

least for the near future.

Congress itself estimates the average tax increase will be \$285 per person in 1989 and \$506 in 1993.

Sponsors of the bill, however, are reluctant to use the term "tax increase" in public discussions of the bill. Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, repeatedly referred to it as "a new income-related premium."

For many Medicare recipients, the increase would more than wipe out what they gained when the tax system was overhauled in 1986. The tax increase would start at 15 percent next year, jump to 25 percent in 1990 and then rise by as much as one percentage point a year thereafter, conceivably reaching 35 percent by the end of the century.

This tax increase would pay for about

two-thirds of the cost of protecting Medicare recipients against catastrophic hospital, physician and drug expenses; the program would cost an estimated \$33 billion over the next five years alone. The remainder of the cost would be covered by raising the monthly Part B premium paid by recipients for doctors' services.

"We have not asked our children to pay the medical bills that we incur,"

said Rep. J. J. Pickle, D-Texas. "These benefits will be paid for by the men and women who will use the coverage."

Backers of the bill acknowledge that no more than 7 percent of the elderly and disabled who are eligible for Medicare would benefit from the bill, even though all will have to pay the Part B increase and many will face the new tax.

Pampa city commissioners face lengthy Tuesday meeting

Pampa city commissioners face a long meeting Tuesday evening with two public hearings and 17 business items on the agenda.

The two hearings, which will be held before the business items, concern the development of Recreation Park and the creation of a joint city/county Enterprise Zone.

The Recreation Park hearing concerns a previously approved master plan for development of a four-plex softball field, a campsite, a children's playground, rehabilitation of the former city lake, and various landscaping and maintenance projects.

A related business item is considering approval for the submission of a grant application for funding of developments at the park site, located east of the city, through participation in the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 as administered through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The Enterprise Zone hearing concerns seeking economic incentives for businesses located in or expanding into a designated area of the city or county. Incentives would include such as low-interest loans, tax abatements or priority permit issuances.

The related business item is considering approv-

al for submission of an application to the state for the designation of Enterprise Zones, generally characterized by high unemployment and poverty areas and substantial numbers of tax arrears.

Under old business, the commission will consider appointment of an alternate member to the Board of Adjustments and the awarding of bids for the purchase of grass seed and of PVC pipe and assorted fittings.

The seed and pipe bids for the most part relate to development of the proposed municipal golf course. But with the County Commissioners Court's recent action delaying implementation of the joint city/county agreement on construction of the course, City Manager Bob Hart has indicated the bids may be rejected for now because of the county's action.

Under new business, the commissioners will be considering a request for rescission of previous action regarding a proposed Hobart Street widening project and legal issues arising from angle parking and related traffic safety situations on the state highway. (See related article.)

In other action, commissioners will consider: appointment of another member to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to fill a post left vacant

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Salvage yard fire



(Staff Photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Pampa firefighters battle a blaze that destroyed a storage shed at Crossroads Auto Salvage, 120 S. Hobart, on Sunday. Investigators were at the scene this morning trying

to determine the cause of the fire. No injuries were reported in the late-morning blaze. Crossroads is owned by Woody Mitchell, 1105 Christine.

Strong earthquake breaks windows, knocks kids down

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — A strong earthquake that broke windows, emptied supermarket shelves and knocked children off their feet was one of the strongest tremors to hit the quake-prone region in years, authorities said.

The earthquake, felt over a 350-mile area from Santa Rosa to Bakersfield, was the sharpest of at least three measurable tremors in California on Sunday. There were no reports of serious injuries or damage.

"We got rocked and rolled pretty good," said police dispatcher Chris Mraz in Milpitas, 10 miles west of the quake's center.

The quake registered 5.3 on the Richter scale, according to the U.S. Geological Survey in Menlo Park. The University of

California Seismographic Station in Berkeley recorded it at 5.1 on the Richter scale of ground motion.

Ceilings cracked, a water pipe burst and burglar alarms sounded in the area closest to the epicenter, and nervous residents rushed into the street in at least one neighborhood and jammed phone lines throughout the San Francisco Bay area. One man said he saw parked cars moving in the U.S. Army's Presidio base in San Francisco.

The quake hit at 6:45 p.m. and was centered on the Calaveras Fault about 10 miles northeast of San Jose, near unincorporated Alum Rock.

Both seismographic centers See EARTHQUAKE, Page 2

Hobart Street issues to be aired Tuesday

By LARRY HOLLIS
Managing Editor

City commissioners will tackle legal issues Tuesday regarding a request from a group of citizens for the City Commission to rescind previous votes to initiate plans with the state for widening of Hobart Street.

Four items for Tuesday's regular meeting, which begins at 6 p.m. in City Hall, are listed on the agenda concerning the Hobart project matters:

- Consider excusing Mayor David McDaniel and/or Commissioner Gary Sutherland in the discussion and vote on Hobart. McDaniel is co-owner of Hi-Fashions Inc. and Sutherland is employed at Canadian Production Credit Association, both located on Hobart.
- Acknowledge receipt of and an understanding of the liability issues surrounding Hobart traffic matters in order to protect the city staff and employees.
- Consider rescinding the Nov. 24, 1987 and April 19 commission votes relative to the widening and reconstruction project on Hobart.
- Instruct the city staff on whether to enforce

the prohibition of angle parking on Hobart in accordance with city ordinances, state statutes and the Municipal Maintenance Agreement between the city and State Highway Department.

The rescission request to overturn the votes was made at the May 25 commission meeting by Cleo Meaker, who runs an appliance business on North Hobart. Meaker said he was making the request for the more than 900 citizens who had signed a petition presented at the April meeting.

He said the petition indicates that the citizens wish to seek federal and state angle parking variances so that Hobart may be "rehabilitated in its present width form WITHOUT further widening." Meaker added that he feels the commission failed to respond affirmatively to the petition and instead exercised "unilateral judgment" in its vote to proceed with the project planning.

In the April 19 vote, the commission, with Mayor McDaniel excused from the discussion and vote, approved on a split vote a resolution accepting a Texas Highway Department's Minute Order authorizing the widening of Hobart from 60 feet to 82 feet between

the Francis/Alcock intersection and 21st Avenue.

Commissioner Richard Peet, citing concerns about adverse effects to businesses on the route, voted against the resolution. Commissioners Ray Hupp and Joe Reed and former Commissioner Clyde Carruth voted in favor.

But all four commissioners also voted for an additional motion by Hupp reserving the city's right to reject the project later if agreements cannot be reached with highway officials to retain modified angle parking in front of Hobart businesses.

At the Nov. 24, 1987 meeting, the commission approved a request to be sent to the state department to consider the widening project. McDaniel again was excused from the issue, and Peet was absent from the meeting.

City Attorney Don Lane has noted there may be some legal problems in voting to rescind the previous motions.

Citing Robert's Rules of Order, which the commission formally adopted in January as rules for conducting its meetings, Lane explains that, while there are provisions for res-

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Owners have protections in tax delinquency foreclosures

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

Literature often depicts the tax man as a Snidely Whiplash-type figure threatening the poor but virtuous maiden: "Ah, ha, my dear ... You haven't paid your taxes so now I'll take your home and you'll be mine!"

Or one may think of the cold-hearted representative of a taxing entity bulldozing the home of a kindly-looking elderly couple as they sit outside on a stack of meager belongings and watch, a scene popularized in many movies and TV shows.

Fact is, the Texas Property Tax Code has incorporated a number of features to keep taxing entities from abusing their admittedly strong powers. In an effort to be fair and equal, both the taxing entity and the property owner are considered in the documents in delinquent tax property foreclosures.

Technically, the tax collector is required to send only one notice once the taxes become delinquent. In Pampa, that happens on Feb. 1.

If the property owners have not paid or made arrangements for payment by July 1, the account is turned over to the law firm hired to collect past-due taxes. Most recently, this has been Perdue, Brandon & Fielder of Amarillo. Kevin Brennan, an attorney with the firm, explains what happens when he receives the account.

"Property taxes are billed out on Oct. 1," Brennan said. "They become delinquent on Feb. 1 and incur penalty and interest at that time. They are turned over to us on July 1 and an additional 15 per-

cent is added on to that." Brennan said his firm sends out three letters to delinquent taxpayers. The first is a polite but firm reminder letter, he said. The second becomes more insistent and the third letter says "We're suing," he said.

If the taxes are not paid by 15 days from the time the property owner receives the last letter, he said, the attorneys file suit to seize the property. Real property

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TAX FORECLOSURE

(land and buildings) is filed in district court, he explained. Personal property accounts, business equipment, personal items and automobiles are filed in a justice court.

More than 300 such suits have been filed since the first of this year.

"It's fairly simple," said Pat Bagley, chief appraiser for the Gray County Appraisal District. "They're generally uncontested. People realize they have taxes."

Should the taxes not be paid by the time the suit comes before the district court, the judge will usually rule that the entity which files the suit can foreclose on the property and put it up for sale.

Before it goes to sale, though, the attorneys are searching for

owners or heirs.

Delinquent taxes often accumulate on property that has been abandoned for numerous reasons. It could be the owner has died and there were no heirs. It could be the owner had moved and didn't feel the property was worth paying taxes on or even selling. Some lots have been abandoned so long, no one is quite sure who owns them.

"It's not unusual for the taxes to be more than the worth of the property, especially if there's been a deferral on the property," said Brennan. "There's pieces of property with delinquent taxes here that go back in the '30s."

"The vast majority, we've found an heir or the owners of record," he added. "This last batch, there have been a lot that we can't find heirs on."

"Any property that's worth anything, someone will come in and take care of," Bagley said.

Tax deferrals for the elderly and handicapped, while allowing these people to continue to live in their homes, do not exempt the property from being taxed. Taxes continue to build and will come due at the time the person either dies or the property is sold.

One way property owners who do not qualify as elderly or handicapped can keep their property from being seized is to work out a plan to pay for the taxes through installments.

Tax collectors are not required to allow taxpayers to pay through installments, but the local entities have decided to offer this option. Taxpayers should be aware that a fairly large down-payment is expected and signing an installment agreement be-



(Staff photo by Duane Laverty)

Sheriff Jordan, foreground, auctions off seized property outside courthouse recently.

comes an "irrevocable admission" that the taxpayer owes all taxes covered by the agreement.

An installment plan, though, protects the taxpayer from being sued for delinquent taxes as long as the payments are made on time and other taxes are paid when due.

Delinquent taxpayers' primary protection comes after the

tax sale - not before. A "right of redemption" gives the former property owner two years to repurchase the property sold at the tax sale.

This redemption clause also gives bidders an incentive to purchase the property at its fair market value, lessening the chances of the former owner to redeem it.

"Anyone contemplating purchasing property at a tax sale should be aware of provisions in the Texas Constitution and in the Texas Property Code," said Judon Fambrough, attorney and senior lecturer with the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University.

For example, the former owner See TAX, Page 12

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

AREBALO, Frank Sr. — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.
BROADBENT, Ferris — 4 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.
CAVINESS, Dolores JoAnn — 11 a.m., Graveside, Memorial Park Cemetery, Enid, Okla.
HAMILTON, Opal Monroe — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.

Obituaries

FRANK AREBALO SR.

Funeral services for Frank Arebalo Sr., 64, who died Sunday, will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Delbert Priest, associate pastor of First Assembly of God Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery with arrangements by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Arebalo moved to Pampa in 1977 from Ralls. He was employed by Pampa Independent School District for the past 10 years.

The family will be at 1429 N. Russell. Survivors include two sons, Frank Arebalo Jr. and Jaime Arebalo, both of Pampa; three daughters, Yolanda Escobedo of Moody, Irene Zamora of Gordon and Ester Taylor of Wichita, Kan.; three sisters, Maria Arebalo and Estefanas de la Cruz, both of Edinburg, and Maria Luisa Alday of Odessa; one brother, Juan Arebalo Jr. of Lansing, Calif.; and nine grandchildren.

OPAL MONROE HAMILTON

Funeral services for Opal Monroe Hamilton, 74, who died Sunday, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Gene Allen, pastor of Briarwood Church, officiating.

Entombment will be in Memory Gardens Mausoleum with arrangements by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hamilton was raised in Bellview, N.M., and moved to Pampa in 1954 from Amarillo. She was a member of Community Christian Center and co-founder of Memory Gardens Mausoleum. She was a graduate of Amarillo Beauty School and Plainview School of Nursing. She was a licensed vocational nurse at Highland General Hospital and both Pampa nursing homes.



She was preceded in death by two sons, Vernon Monroe and Fountain Monroe, and by two daughters, Lily Mae Monroe and Lacy Ford.

Survivors include her husband, Johnny Hamilton, of the home; one daughter, Betty Lou Graham of Ruidoso, N.M.; two sisters, Gladys Parker of Amarillo and Alice Shelton of Cleveland, Ohio; one granddaughter; five nieces and four nephews.

FERRIS BROADBENT

Funeral services for Ferris Broadbent, 65, who died Sunday at Lubbock, will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Gene Allen, pastor of Briarwood Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery with arrangements by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Broadbent, a former Pampa resident, had been a resident of Slaton for the past 12 years. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Darla Broadbent, who died March 19, 1960.

The family will be at 2212 Evergreen.

Survivors include one daughter, Pat Ritthaler of Pampa; five sisters, Elda McGee of Ukiah, Calif., Dortha McNabb of Visalia, Calif., Faye Kauk of Butler, Okla., Gayle Fitzer of Borger and Clara Jones of Fay, Okla.; and two grandsons.

Fire report

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

SUNDAY, June 12

10 a.m. — 401 N. Ballard, washed down street after motor vehicle accident.

11:40 a.m. — Crossroads Auto Salvage, Rham and Hobart. Metal storage shed destroyed by fire. No injuries reported. Cause under investigation.

9:25 p.m. — Pampa Wholesale, 900 Duncan. Grass and boards caught fire while burning wood. No damage to building and no injuries reported.

Calendar of events

PAMPA SINGLES ORGANIZATION

Pampa Singles Organization will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 14 at Pizza Inn for a pizza night. For more information, call 669-7270 or 665-4740.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions

William Ray Meador, Miami
 Willie J. Winegeart, Pampa
 Valerie L. Chandler and infant, Pampa
 Sharon E. Shaw and infant, Pampa
 Chad Anderson, Pampa
 Patricia Elliott, Clarendon
 Sandra Langford and infant, Elk City, Okla.
 Adelina Lummus, Pampa
 Debra Parks and infant, Pampa
 Bessie White, Pampa
 SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 Tom Smith, Wheeler
 Robert Barnard, Shamrock
 Dismissal
 Bryce Clay, Shamrock

Police report

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

SATURDAY, June 11

Two 14-year-old boys reported theft of bicycles in the Pampa Mall parking lot, 2545 Perryton Parkway.

Driving while intoxicated was alleged in the 500 block of West Francis.

SUNDAY, June 12

Steven Vinson, 911 E. Browning, reported unauthorized use of a motor vehicle at the address.

Possible forgery was reported in the 500 block of Davis.

Jerry Sims, 1931 N. Nelson, reported theft of a hood ornament at the address.

Arrests-City Jail

SATURDAY, June 11

Thomas Joseph Carpenter, 23, 312 Warren, was arrested in the 500 block of West Francis on charges of driving while intoxicated, speeding and no insurance and later released on bond.

SUNDAY, June 12

L.J. Brown, 23, 1137 Huff, was arrested at the Little Mint Lounge, 714 S. Gray, on a warrant alleging criminal mischief and later released on bond.

Bradley Gregg Guthrie, 26, 520 1/2 Hazel, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on charges of driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain a single lane, no insurance and expired motor vehicle registration and later released on bond.

Dean Schaffer, 27, Box 887, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on a charge of public intoxication and later released upon payment of fines.

Minor accidents

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

SATURDAY, June 11

A 1977 Chevrolet, driven by Tammy Lynn Castagnetta, 711 N. Zimmers, struck a legally parked 1987 Mercury, registered to Darrel Stark, 1031 N. Sumner, in the 1000 block of North Sumner. No injuries were reported. Castagnetta was cited for unsafe change in direction of travel.

SUNDAY, June 12

A 1985 Oldsmobile, driven by Heather S. Cornsilk, Wichita Falls, left the roadway in the 400 block of North Ballard. Cornsilk was treated at Coronado Hospital for nonincapacitating injuries and released. No citations were issued.

A 1983 Ford pickup, driven by Eric Jason Snell, 1910 Grape, struck a legally parked 1979 Oldsmobile, registered to Barbara Swope, Reydon, Okla., in the Wal-Mart parking lot, 2200 N. Hobart. No injuries or citations were reported.

Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa:	Arco	84 1/2	dn 1/4
Wheat	Cabot	27 1/2	NC
Milo	Chevron	51	dn 1/4
Corn	Energas	15 1/2	dn 1/4
Soybeans	Enron	40 1/2	NC
Flour	Halliburton	33 1/2	dn 1/4
Wool	HCA	30 1/2	up 1/4
Oil	Ingersoll-Rand	62 1/2	NC
Gas	Kerr-McGee	27 1/2	up 1/4
Gold	ENR	16 1/2	up 1/4
Silver	Mapco	56	up 1/4
Platinum	Maxxus	8 1/2	up 1/4
Palladium	Mesa Ltd.	12 1/2	NC
Mercury	Mobil	46	dn 1/4
Lead	Pennsylvania	69 1/2	dn 1/4
Zinc	Phillips	17 1/2	NC
Copper	SBJ	36 1/2	dn 1/4
Nickel	SFS	27 1/2	dn 1/4
Aluminum	Tenneco	67 1/2	dn 1/4
Iron Ore	Texasco	50 1/2	dn 1/4
Steel	London Gold	450.50	dn 1/4
	Amoco	79 1/2	dn 1/4
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31 Canadian students leave Thursday for West Germany

CANADIAN — Reciprocating the generosity of their U.S. hosts, West German families have opened their homes to 31 Canadian High School students for a month-long visit.

The students and three adult sponsors will embark for Frankfurt from Amarillo International Airport on Thursday. Once in Germany, they will spend the next month visiting with the 37 German exchange students who stayed in Canadian during March and April.

In most cases, the Canadian students will be staying in the homes of the same students who stayed in their homes this spring.

Last December, Canadian High School officials

and Wolfgang Bachmann, the German students' sponsor, arranged the exchange trip.

Students from four West German towns flew to the United States in mid-March to attend classes at the Canadian school and visit in Canadian during Germany's Easter holiday break.

Canadian students in Germany will visit German school classes, sightsee and learn more about West German lifestyles.

Sponsors accompanying the students include John Shaller, Lois Laubhan and Wyvonne McDaniel.

The students are scheduled to return to Amarillo on July 13.

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Earthquake

recorded several small aftershocks Sunday night, and Berkeley center spokesman Anthony Lomax warned that another tremor of up to magnitude 4 was likely.

Experts expressed concern because the 5-mile-long epicenter was just north of the center of a destructive quake that hit Morgan Hill in 1984, registering 6.2 on the Richter scale, the region's strongest tremor in years.

Sunday's quake's shallow epicenter increased its impact on the area, experts said.

Two children in Fremont, 10 miles north of the epicenter, said they were knocked to the floor and suffered mild bruises when

the ground began to ripple.

"It still hurts when I walk," said 5-year-old Tommy Harang, whose 12-year-old sister Christy also took a fall.

In Milpitas, the quake knocked dozens of boxes, cans and bottles off the shelves of at least one supermarket and further cracked a window damaged in an earlier quake.

"We got off pretty easy," said Bill Smith, the night manager. "I've lived in California all my life, so I'm biased about earthquakes. I thought, 'Here we go again.'"

Earlier Sunday, an earthquake registering 3.3 on the Richter scale jolted Napa and Solano counties in northern California, and a quake measuring 3.4 hit the

inland area of Southern California around Ontario.

The Ontario tremor was the second widely felt quake to hit Southern California since Friday, when a shaker measuring 5.2 on the Richter scale hit 40 miles northwest of Los Angeles and was felt in much of central and southern California.

The Richter scale is a measure of ground motion as recorded on seismographs. Every increase of one number means a tenfold increase in the strength of the shaking.

An earthquake of 3.5 on the Richter scale can cause slight damage in the local area, 4 moderate damage, 5 considerable damage, 6 severe damage.

Water treatment requires skills

By BOB HART
Pampa City Manager

Passage of the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1984 by Congress marked the beginning of a new age for operators of public water systems.

Prior to Congress enacting the Safe Drinking Water Act, most regulation of the public water system was made at the state level, with limited input from the federal government.

Since the passage of the 1974 act, Congress has periodically amended the act, and finally in 1986 the Environmental Protection Agency was given the authority to establish primary drinking regulations.

The intrusion of the federal government into the regulation of the local water supply system is causing a number of changes in our daily operations, and in particular the training and certification of our operators.

These new regulations empha-

size the necessity for competent personnel in the production, treatment and distribution of safe drinking water. The state's sanitation and health protection law requires that the production, process, treatment and distribution of public drinking water be at all times under the supervision of a competent water works operator holding a valid certificate of competency issued under the direction of the Texas Department of Health.

The Health Department issues six types of water works operator certificates. These certificates are based upon experience, training and type of water supply source.

In order to receive a certificate of competence, a water works operator must demonstrate experience in actual water supply system operation under the supervision of a competent water works operator for two years, possess a high school diploma or equivalent, and have 60 or more

hours of training.

Training credit is received through attendance at approved training courses, annual regional short schools and district association meetings.

Upon completion of the 60 hours training credit, the operator is then permitted to take an exam covering fundamental knowledge of the requirements for a public water supply system including the interpretation of bacteriological analysis, maintenance and similar health-related matters. The passing score for each examination is 70 percent.

Courses are designed to cover a number of areas in the water system and include groundwater production, service water production, water distribution, water laboratory management and basic water works operations.

Additionally, operators are required to receive approximately 20 training hours through the year.

We are proud of the quality of our water works operators with the city. Currently, within our water works system we have 20 certified operators and two certified instructors. The two certified instructors help to reduce the cost of training significantly.

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by a resignation;
 ■ an application for a limousine service;

■ bids relative to the heating and air conditioning system for Lovett Memorial Library, currently without air conditioning due to a breakdown in the system;

■ declaration of a public safety emergency to authorize the lease/purchase and installation of a recording system for 9-1-1 service;

■ exemption for eight vehicles used for police services; and

■ granting the city manager a car allowance through the lease of a

car from a local dealer with the city manager being responsible for gas purchases for any personal use.

City Briefs

KICK BACK Friday night. Johnny Bush, Saturday night, at City Limits. Adv.

50% OFF Father's Day Sale, except select tobaccos. Grant's Smoke Shop, Coronado Center. Adv.

PERMS \$20, Haircut included. Ruth. 665-9236. Adv.

JOY'S UNLIMITED has their Christmas Ornaments out. 2218 N. Hobart. Adv.

THE LOFT, 201 N. Cuyler, inside Michelle's. Homemade Cream Pies, Quiche, Salads, Sandwiches. Tuesday Special-Berex. Call ahead, 665-2129. Adv.

PAMPA CHOIR Boosters meeting, Tuesday 7:30, PHS choir room. Making plans for 1988-89 school year.

RIGHT OUT of The Birds Nest is going wholesale! Closed until Wednesday 15th. Everything going at cost. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy tonight with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and lows in the low 60s, southerly winds 10 to 20 mph. Partly cloudy Tuesday with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and highs in the mid 80s, south to southwesterly winds 10 to 20 mph and gusty. Sunday's high was 82; overnight low was 63.

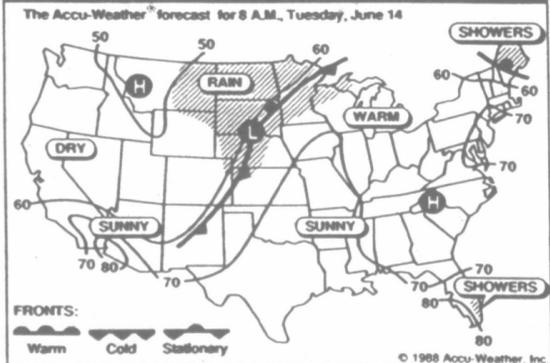
REGIONAL FORECASTS

By The Associated Press

West Texas — Isolated to widely scattered late afternoon and evening showers and a few thunderstorms most sections otherwise sunny and warm afternoons while fair and mild at night through Tuesday. No important temperature changes. Highs Tuesday from mid 80s panhandle to lower 90s Concho Valley and near 105 Big Bend river valleys. Lows tonight near 60 panhandle to lower 70s lower Pecos Valley and Big Bend.

North Texas — Tonight and Tuesday will be partly cloudy area wide with a slight chance of thunderstorms over the northwest. Lows tonight in the 60s to near 70 and highs on Tuesday in the 90s.

South Texas — Partly cloudy through Tuesday. A slight chance of showers or thundershowers coastal bend and lower coast. Highs in the 90s except 80s immediate coast and near 102 southwest along the Rio Grande. Lows in the upper 60s inland and 70 to 75 along the coast and Rio Grande plain.



EXTENDED FORECASTS
Wednesday through Friday
 West Texas — Mostly fair with little change in temperature. Panhandle - Lows lower 60s. Highs mid 80s to near 90. South Plains - Lows mid 60s. Highs around 90. Permian Basin - Lows mid 60s. Highs low to mid 90s. Concho Valley - Lows near 70. Highs low to mid 90s. Far West - Lows mid 60s. Highs mid 90s. Big Bend - Lows lower 60s mountains to lower 70s lowlands. Highs near 90 mountains to near 105 along the Rio Grande.

North Texas — No rainfall expected Wednesday through Friday. Lows in the upper 60s to lower 70s. Highs upper 80s to mid 90s.

South Texas — Some late night and early morning low cloudiness. Otherwise, partly sunny and hot afternoons, generally fair evenings. Highs in the 80s immediate coast, between 100 and 105 Rio Grande

plains, 90s rest of South Texas. Lows in the 60s and 70s.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma — Scattered thunderstorms across the panhandle western sections tonight and Tuesday, otherwise continued fair through Tuesday. Lows tonight from the low 60s Panhandle to the low 70s east. Highs Tuesday upper 80s panhandle to low 90s south.

New Mexico — Tonight, fair skies central and west. Partly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms continuing in the east. Sunny central and west Tuesday. Partly cloudy east with the chance of afternoon and early nighttime thunderstorms in the northeast quarter. Highs, mid 70s to mid 80s mountains and north with mid 80s to mid 90s lower elevations central and south. Lows, mid 30s and 40s mountains with 50s to mid 60s lower elevations.

Court to review federal sentence system

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court agreed today to judge the constitutionality of a new sentencing system for people convicted of federal crimes.

At issue is whether the U.S. Sentencing Commission's rules that took effect Nov. 1 may stand or must be thrown out. The validity of the commission itself is at stake, also.

The court's decision is expected sometime in 1989.

More than 50 federal trial judges have refused to use the new sentencing rules, declaring them or the commission unconstitutional. But dozens of their colleagues have upheld the system, imposing sentences under the new rules.

The Reagan administration, citing the "intolerable uncertainty" caused by the conflicting rulings, urged the justices to resolve the issue even before any federal appeals court has ruled on it.

Today, the justices granted the administration's speeded-up appeal.

By the time the court announces its decision in a test case from Missouri, thousands of defendants will have to be resentenced — regardless of what the court rules.

If the justices uphold the system, those defendants sentenced by judges who refused to apply the new rules will have to be resentenced. If the jus-

tices invalidate the system, those defendants sentenced under the new rules will have to be resentenced.

The commission estimates that by Jan. 1 more than 10,000 federal court defendants will have been subjected to the new sentencing system.

The commission was created by Congress in the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984, legislation aimed at eliminating disparities in sentences.

The law empowers the commission, with seven members appointed to six-year terms by the president, to tell federal judges what sentences, within certain ranges, should be imposed for various crimes. Three of the commission's members must be federal judges.

Some defense lawyers contend the commission developed rules — called "guidelines" even though the 1984 law makes them binding on all federal judges — increasing the prison time federal convicts are required to serve. Others disagree.

The commission eliminated parole and curtailed credit for good behavior.

The test case accepted for review stems from the prosecution of John M. Mistretta, who pleaded guilty in federal court to conspiring to possess and distribute cocaine after his arrest last December in Kansas City.

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Woman urges opening lawyer grievance proceedings

ODESSA (AP) — Keeping lawyer grievance hearings and records to public examinations secret is crucial to making the system work, says a man who hears clients' complaints against attorneys.

The grievance committee is "not necessarily pro-lawyer nor pro-consumer," said Mark Clark, a Realtor consultant who sits on Odessa's lawyer grievance committee.

But Georgia Kubiak of Midland says the grievances need to be more public and she is forming a local chapter of HALT, a national organization for legal reform.

Clark said opening the proceedings could make clients hesitant to file because many of the grievances involve personal family matters.

Ms. Kubiak cited a national survey compiled by HALT—Help Abolish Legal Tyranny—that said 90 to 95 percent of complaints brought to the American Bar Association against lawyers never receive a hearing because they are considered to be without substance.

"It's hard to believe that 90 percent of complaints have no substance," she said. Ms. Kubiak charged that attorneys who sit on grievance committees are

protecting their own, and often dismiss complaints without any disciplinary action.

She maintained that such meetings should come under the state's open meetings and open records statutes. "The people do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know," she said.

Washington-based HALT has about 150,000 members nationwide and 9,000 in Texas, said spokeswoman Victoria Thomas.

In 1985, State Rep. Al Price, D-Beaumont, tried unsuccessfully to get

legislation passed to open grievance proceedings to public scrutiny.

Texas law provides that grievance committees meet in private and assign punishment when warranted. That punishment can range from a private reprimand to initiation of disbarment proceedings.

Grievance committees are one-third non-lawyers.

Ms. Kubiak said she filed a complaint that was dismissed after a hearing. She filed suit against two lawyers alleging fraud, conspiracy and breach of fiduciary responsibility in the handling of her father's estate.

Ms. Kubiak said that case still is

pending. She said she had trouble finding an attorney willing to take her case.

HALT is seeking an independent, nationwide study of bar disciplinary practices.

Odessa attorney Paul Kenworthy, an eight-year veteran of Odessa's 12-member grievance committee, said there is "more than enough justification" to keep a lid on the committee's grievance activities.

"The vast majority of grievances have no merit," Kenworthy said, claiming that many stem from clients who are dissatisfied with the result of a lawsuit.

Offenders finding prison a better deal than probation

HOUSTON (AP) — An increasing number of criminals are passing up parole and going for shorter prison sentences because crowding in the state's corrections department generally has reduced the amount of time spent behind bars.

"Who would have ever thought that people would opt to go to jail rather than to go on probation and be responsible?" asked State District Judge Ted Poe.

Judges, prosecutors and defense attorneys in Harris County began noticing the trend a year ago, the Houston Chronicle reported Sunday.

Crowding in the Texas Department of Corrections and federally mandated prison population limits have resulted in fewer days behind bars for many inmates.

Most inmates are eligible for parole after serving about one-tenth of their sentences, officials said.

"I've had defendants laugh in my face," said assistant District Attorney Dan Rizzo, who said that about every other week he offers probation to someone who turns it down.

A defendant is eligible for probation if he has never been convicted of a felony, has never been on probation before and if his crime is non-violent. The judge handling a case sets the terms of probation and can revoke it if the probationer doesn't abide by those rules.

Judges typically require probationers to hold jobs, support their families, report regularly to

their supervising probation officers and, in many cases, submit to regular drug testing. Some judges require that the defendants make financial restitution to their victims. Some assign community service work.

If probation is revoked, the probationer likely goes to prison with a longer sentence than might have been offered in the plea-bargaining process.

When an inmate is paroled from prison, he is supervised by the parole board until his sentence ends. Parolees are required to report regularly to their parole officers and are encouraged to find jobs and support their families.

But because of crowding, typically, the parolee must commit a felony to be sent back to prison, parole officials say.

"It doesn't make sense to send someone back in who moved or changed his residence without permission," said parole board spokesman Mike Roach.

Justice experts fear if the trend continues it will worsen the situation that created the problem in the first place.

As more first-time offenders choose to go to prison, other inmates will have to be released sooner. As sentences grow shorter, more defendants will choose prison.

"What it means is there are virtually no consequences for lawlessness," said State District Judge Patricia Lykos. "I'm really outraged. It's frustrating as both a judge and a citizen."

Campaign forgeries trial begins

SAN MARCOS (AP) — A vice president for a Houston political consulting operative accused of hiring teen-agers to forge signatures on nominating petitions for Republican candidates says the company has not lost political clients.

But political observers say Southern Political Consulting may not have picked up additional candidates as a result of the scandal.

Rocky J. Mountain and his company each are accused of 64 counts of misdemeanor forgery in an alleged scheme in which teens were given beer and directed to fake names on petitions for former Delaware Gov. Pete du Pont.

The operative is scheduled to go on trial here today with Harris County Court-at-Law Judge

Sherman Ross presiding. The trial was moved to Hays County because of widespread publicity in the Houston area.

Forging petition signatures is a misdemeanor in Texas. If convicted, Mountain could face two years in jail and a \$2,000 fine. The company could be fined as much as \$10,000.

Mountain said his company will be defended by Houston lawyer Joe Bailey, The Dallas Morning News reported. Harris County Assistant District Attorney Casey O'Brien will prosecute.

The case stems from reports that hundreds of forgeries were discovered on petitions for du Pont and fellow GOP presidential hopefuls Bob Dole and Alexander Haig.

Deaths of medical professionals leaves Perryton residents shocked

PERRYTON (AP) — Residents are rallying around the staff of Ochiltree General Hospital as the institution copes with tragedy.

Four members of the Ochiltree General staff died Friday when their plane crashed near Austin.

"It's a shock to the community," Perryton Mayor Doug Hale said.

The medical professionals were flying from Perryton to Austin for a Texas Medical Foundation conference, said Lawrence Ellzey, president of the hospital's board of directors.

The crash killed 34-year-old nursing supervisor Roy Henry Grunden, 36-year-old Donald Douglas Holmes, a member of the hospital's board of directors; 41-year-old V.S. Christopher, one of five doctors at the hospital, and 44-year-old Jerry Leon Weatherly, hospital administrator.

Now the hospital is pulling together to regroup from the tragedy, Ellzey said.

"Everybody is pitching in and helping," said Ellzey. "Some of the nurses who have leave and vacations coming have canceled their plans. The hospital as a whole has risen to the occasion. We will handle this situation."

One nurse said the crash brought home the truth that health care professionals live with daily.

"Death is death. It's final and it's devastating and there is nothing you can do about it," an Ochiltree General nurse who declined to give her name told the Amarillo Globe-News.

Bastrop County sheriff's deputies said witnesses told them they heard the plane's engine misfire and the craft then apparently tried to land in a field near Elgin, a community 25 miles east of Austin.

Federal Aviation Administration officials called the Department of Public Safety at 8:43 a.m. after losing the plane on radar and the crash site was spotted several minutes later.

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finding previous actions, one section in the rules permits a motion for rescission to be made only by one who had previously voted on the prevailing side or by one who had not voted at all.

But there are also other restrictions prohibiting a rescission if the matter involves an action that is in the nature of a contract or if its provisions have already been partially carried out, Lane explained.

Glen Hackler, assistant to the city manager, points out in a memo to the commission that there are also strong potential liabilities facing the city and its officials if angle parking is allowed to continue along Hobart, which is officially a state highway (Texas Highway 70).

Hackler notes that recent changes in the Texas Tort Claims Act and various court decisions have held that a municipality can be liable for permitting hazardous traffic conditions to exist, either in construction of streets or in traffic control and regulation.

"Angle parking is clearly within the purview of the regulation of traffic," he notes in the memo.

Hackler, who was hired earlier this year to assist Lane and the city staff in legal matters, states that in the case of angle parking on Hobart, the city "has more than sufficient notice that existing actions are contrary to state statute, local ordinance and contractual agreement," thus posing a great potential for liability in case of accidents occurring along Hobart.

He cites the 1967 Municipal Maintenance Agreement between the city and State Highway Department, prohibiting angle parking along all state highways in the city, as one of the main factors for which the city could be held liable if angle parking continues to be permitted.

He notes that the city may permit angle parking on state highways only if the consent of the district engineer is obtained. Such consent has never been obtained, Hackler states.

In fact, the district engineer has previously reminded the city of its legal obligations to prohibit angle parking and has requested that affirmative steps be taken to rectify the situation, he observes in the memo.

Hackler and other city officials note that other factors which should have prohibited the development of angle parking on Hobart include City Ordinance

465 and various state and federal regulations and maintenance requirements.

Hackler also states that the city's liability insurance policy specifically excludes coverage for events arising out of the willful violation of an ordinance through the city's action or inaction.

"There is a significant risk of liability where angle parking is allowed to continue, contravening state statute and city ordinance," Hackler states, recommending that action be taken to avoid potential liability risk.

The citizens petition presented by Meaker claims that traffic safety is not an issue regarding angle parking on Hobart, citing accident statistics they claim "prove our position."

However, City Manager Bob Hart says in another memo that review of traffic accident summaries indicates a significant proportion of accidents may have been caused, directly or indirectly, from angle parking. In addition, he notes, State Highway Department and Federal Highway Administration studies indicate traffic safety problems along Hobart, which have led to their recommendations for widening the street and eliminating angle parking.

Preaching mixed with politicking prevail for Southern Baptists

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Southern Baptists mixed preaching and politicking as fundamentalists and moderates today approached a convention fight over control of the denomination's multimillion-dollar organizational empire.

A fundamentalist wing gradually has gained predominance among trustees of Southern Baptist Convention institutions through nine years of winning the influential presidency of the country's largest Protestant body.

But moderates think they can regain the office at the convention, which opens Tuesday. They cite numerous victories on the state level and various fundamentalist moves that have antagonized the grass-roots.

Expected to be nominated for the presidency were the fundamentalist-backed Rev. Jerry Vines of Jacksonville, Fla., and the moderate-backed Rev. Richard Jackson of Phoenix, Ariz.

The president has appointive authority over trustees who run the 14.7-million-member denomination.

Harsh words have been traded in the spiraling campaign recently, with fundamentalists demanding literalistic beliefs about the Bible among denominational teachers and agency staffers.

Moderates defend a long-time Baptist concept of the "soul competency" of individuals to interpret the Bible as they understand it.

A respected patriarch of the denomination, the Rev. Herschel H. Hobbs, 80, of Oklahoma City, says the bitter struggle is hurting the Christian cause.

"In this controversy, we are our own worst enemies," Hobbs, the former convention president, said in a statement.

"What all outside forces of evil could not do, we are doing to ourselves. As Paul said in Galatians 5:15, we are like wild animals devouring one another. We deny the very oneness and peace for which Jesus prayed."

As a prelude to the convention, the thousands of "messengers" were offered a day of preaching, some of it from leading exponents of the two factions.

So divided was sentiment that there were separate preaching arenas—a Pastor's



Thousands of convention delegates lined up Sunday afternoon at the San Antonio Convention Center to partake in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Conference of mainly fundamentalist speakers and the Forum for moderates.

The Forum announced its 1988 Denominational Statesman Award to the Rev. Randall Lolley, driven by demands of newly ruling fundamentalist trustees to resign as president of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

"Trustees are no longer free to debate and decide issues," he said. "They have people breathing down their necks to accomplish the pre-arranged agendas."

He, along with four academic colleagues at the Wake Forest, N.C., seminary quit after trustees enacted measures requiring that faculty members profess that the Bible is free of error.

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Opinion

We need new look at the new danger

The AIDS Budget Task Force, a group of experts that has worked with the California Legislature on AIDS-related issues since 1985, wants to increase the California governor's proposed AIDS budget by \$52.8 million, from around \$80 million to more than \$130 million. Since the state government faces a billion-dollar "shortfall" this year, such increased spending is unlikely. And that presents an opportunity to reopen debate on methods of confronting AIDS that do not involve spending taxpayers' money.

The task force had some interesting news about the changing nature of the AIDS epidemic. Although about 90 percent of present AIDS victims are homosexual and bisexual men, the rate of new infections among them has declined to almost zero, largely because of intensive educational efforts. But the rate of infection among intravenous drug users is increasing gradually. In certain areas, particularly the San Francisco Bay area, the rate of infection is alarming, as high as 20 percent of intravenous drug users.

Most experts agree that intravenous drug users represent the major danger for a "breakout" of AIDS among heterosexuals. Thus the AIDS Budget Task Force recommends spending \$20 million more than has been proposed to expand treatment programs, outreach and intervention — and to beef up the bureaucracy.

But the task force fails to recommend the one simple step that probably would be most effective in containing the spread of AIDS among intravenous drug users without costing taxpayers: legalizing needles.

The main reason AIDS (and other diseases like hepatitis) spread so quickly among drug users is because they often share needles. They share needles because the hypodermic syringes have been outlawed, except by prescription for users of insulin and a few other prescription medicines. Pharmacists are required to control and record sales of syringes more carefully than they do most prescription medications.

The cost of clean needles is modest, and the price probably would drop if they were made available without a prescription. If they were more freely available, some drug users would still be foolish enough to share needles, but the incidence would surely decline dramatically. With less needle-sharing, the transmission of AIDS and other diseases would also decline.

Removing restrictions on the sale of needles is not the same as giving them away at taxpayer expense (as some have advocated) or endorsing drug use. It simply would reduce one of the ancillary risks in an already risky activity, and help to reduce the spread of dangerous or deadly diseases.

Intravenous drugs can be dangerous, but AIDS is almost invariably fatal. We need a fresh look at the balance of dangers.

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AIDS isn't really a big deal

WASHINGTON — Now and then some hard questions need to be asked, even at the risk of seeming coldhearted, and the time is at hand to ask a hard question about AIDS. This is the question: What's the big deal?

For the life of me, I cannot understand why the country has gone ape over the subject of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. We are told that the disease is "epidemic," which emphatically it is not. We are supposed to be moved by the "tragedy" of AIDS, which is to put a good word to a very poor use. We are urged to appropriate \$3 billion in 1990 toward finding a cure, which is a vast deal of the taxpayers' money for the benefit of a tiny minority of the population.

Recently the president's 43-member commission on AIDS filed a 269-page report containing nearly 600 recommendations for coping with this purported "epidemic." Everyone is expected to get in on the act — the federal government, the state governments, the public schools. Laws should be passed by the bushel. This "epidemic" has infected perhaps 1.5 million Americans (in a population of 241 million) with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). The commission's chairman, retired admiral James D. Watkins, wants the president to declare a "national health emergency."

Coinciding with the commission's report, a group of 150 senior public health officials met at Charlottesville, Va. Out of their conference came some figures that are intended to galvanize us into frantic reaction. By the end of 1993, we are told, at least 450,000 Americans will have been diagnosed as active victims of AIDS. In that year alone, 100,000 new cases will be reported.

Let us get this thing in perspective. The world



James J. Kilpatrick

has known true epidemics from time to time. In the 1300s, the bubonic plague killed a fourth of the population of Europe. A hundred years ago epidemic diphtheria claimed a terrible toll. Mankind has experienced epidemics of cholera, smallpox, typhoid fever. Matched against these outbreaks, AIDS in the United States dwindles to insignificance.

Look at the record: In the seven years of 1981-87, precisely 37,481 cases of AIDS were officially reported. That is all. Roughly 13,000 of these were new cases reported in 1986. Let us assume that all of these cases are terminal cases.

Perspective: In 1985, more than 19 million Americans were suffering from heart conditions, 29 million from significantly high blood pressure, 30 million from serious arthritis. In 1986 physicians reported 930,000 new cases of cancer. In 1985, roughly 771,000 persons died of heart disease, 462,000 of cancer and 46,000 in automobile accidents. What's the big deal about AIDS?

The president's commission urged that AIDS victims be treated with "compassion and understanding." For the 497 children under the age of 13, the innocent inheritors of HIV, yes, we truly can feel compassion. The poor kids! But I do not

comprehend why special "compassion and understanding" should be extended to most of the others.

Face it: This disease overwhelmingly is a disease that afflicts two classes — drug addicts and homosexual men. The addicts get it from infected needles. The homosexual men get it through anal intercourse with many sexual partners.

My thought is that AIDS victims deserve about the same "compassion" that society extends to those who smoke themselves to death or drink themselves to death, which is to say, a fairly modest degree of compassion. Let us reserve our deepest grief for victims of the drunk driver, or for those who die of genetic diseases.

Yes, death is an occasion for sorrow, but not all deaths are "tragic" deaths. Tragedy involves a moral dimension in which greatness and weakness are intermingled on a path of ruin. AIDS is nothing of the sort. It is entirely appropriate that AIDS victims be protected in their civil rights. It is outrageous that little children, known to be carrying the virus, should be kept from schoolrooms. They pose no threat to anyone.

But it is also entirely appropriate, as the commission recommended, that the states make it a crime for persons knowingly to engage in sexual conduct likely to transmit the AIDS virus.

I would treat AIDS for what it is: a disease that mortally afflicts a tiny fraction of the population whose willful behavior results in the infection. The fellow who dies of sodomy is no more special than the fellow who dies of two packs of cigarettes a day. Let us apportion our tears, and our tax dollars, with some sense of proportion.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Monday, June 13, the 165th day of 1988. There are 201 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

One hundred years ago, on June 13, 1888, Congress created the Department of Labor, which, however, did not achieve Cabinet status until 1913.

On this date:
In 1886, King Ludwig II of Bavaria drowned in Lake Starnberg.

In 1898, the Yukon Territory of Canada was organized, with Dawson chosen to be the capital.

In 1900, China's Boxer Rebellion against foreigners and Chinese Christians entered a violent phase.

In 1927, a ticker-tape parade welcomed aviator Charles A. Lindbergh to New York City.

In 1944, Germany began launching flying-bomb attacks against Britain during World War II.

In 1966, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its landmark *Miranda vs. Arizona* decision, ruling that criminal suspects had to be informed of their constitutional rights before interrogation.

In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson nominated Solicitor-General Thurgood Marshall to become the first black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.



Open season on judges now

During the ugly rebellion of the '60s, incendiary Stokely Carmichael stood on a New York street corner "condemning" the establishment with these words: "We're going to have to kill a lot of cops and judges."

A lot of cops died — and some judges. If we've imagined that such vehemence, violence and recrimination has spent itself, it hasn't.

Now it's open season on judges. Prosecutor (Chicago??) Rudolph Guiliani says that threats against federal judges and prosecutors have recently increased from one a year to one a week.

Paul Guez got rich and then went broke manufacturing jeans. Recently he threatened to kill a bankruptcy judge. He argues that his behavior is the unfortunate result of cocaine addiction and he seeks a "cure" rather than a prison sentence.

In late May Charles Koster, the father of a losing plaintiff, shot to death a federal judge. Mr. Koster's daughter alleged she had suffered



Paul Harvey

sexual harassment from her employer. The judge decreed that she had not. So her father shot the judge.

Since the Earl Warren-led Supreme Court we have come to tolerate something called "judicial activism," meaning that a judge's opinion on a given subject might supersede the letter of the law.

When Judge Bork was being considered for the Supreme Court, he was savaged by witnesses and senators for not siding often enough with liberals in civil rights cases.

The Senators pressed him persistently to commit himself in advance on how he would rule on such cases.

In effect they were warning him that he'd better issue more liberal opinions, whatever the facts.

Judges protest that a citizen "cannot take the law into his own hands" — yet some judges are taking the law into their own hands.

One recent day in Ogden, Utah, a 56-year-old man shot to death his wife and went free. He was sentenced to only five years "on probation." He did not go to jail at all.

At the same time and in that same city an Omaha woman motorist accidentally struck another car and killed its driver and she may get five years in prison.

"Judicial activism" has resulted in capricious courts where judicial prerogative too often circumvents the law and subverts justice.

Now judges are beginning to feel the wrath of crime victims by themselves becoming crime victims.

We should go slow on U.S.-Soviet trade

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

As indicated in a previous column, I do not share the widespread conservative uneasiness about the basic outcome of the Moscow summit.

The men in the Kremlin have at last realized that their Marxist-Leninist system not only isn't working but that it's going to leave them lagging behind the whole parade of free and creative nations as the 21st century opens. They are trying to fix matters with a little "restructuring" and "openness" — a policy that will merely result in irresistible pressures for more of both.

Inevitably, the process will entail zags as well as zigzags: spasms of cracking down, alternating with periods of progress. But the genie is out of the bottle, and nothing the hard-liners can do will force it back inside. Crack-downs will merely stoke the pressures for change. The czars could have told them all about it — including how, at the end of the line, there will be a final

scene in a cellar in some provincial city for whatever unlucky wretch is left holding the bag for communism.

But this is certainly no time for the West to be opening the champagne. For one thing, there will undoubtedly be moments on the long, slow slide when the Kremlin bosses turn not only peevish but downright dangerous. It is going to take diplomacy of a high order to keep this mortally ill society dosed with placebos and painkillers while it edges inexorably toward extinction.

Worst of all, the inevitable relaxation of the tensions that have kept the West on its guard for these past 40 years is going to bring out of the woodwork, on this side of the Iron Curtain, all sorts of people who perceive the new situation as a golden opportunity to promote their own agendas.

First and foremost among these is Secretary of Commerce C. William Verity Jr., the archetype of the American businessman who is positively

panting to do business with the Kremlin. Mr. Verity has a long and unappetizing history, dating from his days as head of Arco Steel, of promoting trade with the Soviet Union. He didn't wait for glasnost; he was all for it back when Brezhnev was still calling the shots in Moscow.

And Verity is, of course, merely the tip of the iceberg — the most influential of the thousands of American businessmen who will shortly be pulling every wire they can find to make contacts for themselves with relevant sectors of the Soviet economy.

I presume — although on second thought for safety's sake we'd better pray — that the U.S. government has enough sense and self-control to forbid the sale of strategic items to this dying despotism. But that won't be the half of the problem. If greedy American businessmen have their way, all the men in the Kremlin need do is relax and watch their system being refurbished and streamlined for them

by people who, if they are unable to make it work in the long run, are certainly capable of tuning it up to last a great deal longer than it ordinarily would.

Meanwhile, over on the left, the greed of the businessmen will be more than matched by the greed of those U.S. political constituencies that exist to extract largesse from government. Nobody will be able to tell them (or their representatives in Congress) that there is any longer any serious reason for large defense expenditures. All that money, they will insist, can and must be rushed to the "greedy" — the homeless, the black, the addicted, the infected, the psychotic, the hungry, the deaf.

We must, therefore, prepare to resist firmly those who would opportunize on developments in the Soviet Union. We have gotten this far by vigilance, and this is certainly no time to relax it.

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Wright: Ethics probe puts 'no cloud over my head'

WASHINGTON (AP)—House Speaker Jim Wright says the congressional investigation of his financial dealings won't hamper him in his role as chairman of next month's Democratic National Convention.

"There is no cloud over my head, no sir," the Texas Democrat said. "I've done nothing unethical, nothing illegal, nothing violative of the rules of the House."

Wright's defense of his actions came Sunday in back-to-back appearances on CBS-TV's "Face the Nation" and ABC-TV's "This Week with David Brinkley."

Last Friday, the House ethics committee announced it was starting a preliminary inquiry into allegations of conflicts of interest in Wright's financial dealings.

Some of the allegations center on a book written by Wright, "Reflections of a Public Man." According to reports Sunday in the Fort Worth Star-

Telegram and The New York Times, one Texas businessman said he bought 1,000 copies of the book as a legal way to give money to Wright and bypass limits on campaign contributions.

Other allegations concern Wright's political efforts on behalf of several Texas businesses.

Wright said Sunday the allegations are "a partisan political ploy" by Republicans seeking to deflect attention from ethical violations by current and former members of the Reagan administration.

"It's a partisan ploy and it will be revealed to be a partisan ploy," Wright said on the CBS program.

Wright, when asked if he would step down from the chairmanship of the party's convention if asked, said, "I don't expect to."

"I haven't done anything dishonest or illegal," he said. "I'm convinced I haven't violated any rules of the House."

"I may have done some things, at one time or another in my career, that were bad judgment," he said. "But whatever mistakes I've made have not been dishonest mistakes."

Wright refused to say if he thinks the ethics investigation should be conducted by an independent counsel, rather than the committee. "I don't have a preference," he said.

"I'm not trying to tell the committee how to do its business," Wright said on ABC. "I asked them to look into it thoroughly. I asked them to do it promptly. Now, anything that can be done is fine with me so long as it gets the facts out and gets them out soon."

"I want this resolved and I'm convinced that the resolution is going to be that I haven't violated any rules."

The committee's inquiry was originally suggested by Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., one of Wright's harshest critics in the House. But the panel said its in-

vestigation will be wider in scope than that suggested by Gingrich.

Wright received a 55 percent royalty totaling about \$55,000 on his book. Questions have been raised about Wright's use of a congressional staffer to work on the book, purchases of the book by friends and lobbyists, and about the royalty percentage, which is higher than those usually paid to authors.

Wright said "there was nothing wrong with the contract" and joked that "the royalty proceeds are going to my favorite charity — Mrs. Wright and me."

The book was published by William Carlos Moore, a friend of Wright who also received large printing contracts from Wright's re-election campaign.

"I think it's a good book," Wright said, while acknowledging that it contained little that was new.

"It's not fresh stuff," he said. "Most of it is reprinted from speeches, arti-

cles, newsletters, memoirs. Little vignette style, so they're self-contained."

The Times and Star-Telegram articles Sunday concerned purchases of the book by Fort Worth developer S. Gene Payte.

Payte said he bought 1,000 copies at a cost of \$6,000 because federal election laws limit individual campaign contributions to \$1,000 for each election.

"If I wanted to help Jim and wanted to give him some money, I couldn't do it," Payte told the Star-Telegram. "But I could buy his books."

Payte, who has known Wright since he entered Congress in 1955, said he bought the books "to show my appreciation" to Wright and that he encouraged other Texas business executives to do the same.

Asked about such reports, Wright answered, "I didn't sell these books."

Drought shriveling crops, driving up grain prices

By The Associated Press

Drought across broad patches of the nation is shriveling crops and pastures, driving up grain prices and leaving some farm workers jobless. Community water use restrictions are in place in California, the Midwest and the Southeast.

"It's not total destruction for all these crops yet, but another week or two of dry weather is going to put us near the point of no return," said Richard Grove, agricultural extension agent for Seneca County, Ohio.

In addition, low water threatens to disrupt shipping on rivers in the South and hydroelectricity there and in the Northwest.

These are the problem areas:

—Southeast: Parts of the Carolinas, Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama have had below-normal rainfall for up to four years. Atlanta and six surrounding counties have water conservation programs.

The hardest-hit reservoir is North Carolina's Fontana Lake, which is 45 feet below normal. Some private wells have gone dry in North Carolina.

—Midwest and northern Plains: A hot, dry spring and less than normal winter snow has left the soil so dry in some places that seeds didn't germinate. Some farmers in northwestern Ohio have plowed crops under rather than spend more money on fertilizer. North Dakota Gov. George Sinner says the drought is the worst since the 1930s.

Thunderstorms on Sunday produced much-needed rain over parts of the Dakotas and northwestern Minnesota. Mobridge, S.D., got 1.47 inches of rain in six hours and Jamestown, N.D., got 0.8 inch, but the region will need more rain to replace subsoil moisture.

Areas of Illinois are restricting water use and residents in the Chicago suburb of Long Grove complain about dry wells, saying they suspect their neighbors of using all the water. Long Grove

administrator D.M. Doughty said one woman's well ran dry while her neighbor across the street had three or four sprinklers going. "It's kind of hard to love your neighbor," he said.

—West Coast: San Francisco and Los Angeles have imposed mandatory water rationing in the wake of light winter snow in the mountains, where the snowpack is a natural reservoir. Growers have been told that irrigation allotments may be cut.

That lack of snow also has left hydroelectric reservoirs falling on the Columbia River in Washington, at the same time water must be released from those reservoirs to help migrating salmon.

During the past month, the grain futures market in Chicago has surged upward as traders bet on smaller and smaller harvests.

The U.S. Agriculture Department cited dry weather on the Plains in May when it reported that farmers were harvesting an estimated 1.57 billion bushels of winter wheat. That's slightly more than last year but 3 percent — 50 million bushels — less than a prediction issued a month earlier.

"Corn is just lying there. Not enough moisture to germinate it. Some early corn is barely surviving," said Bobby Peek, agricultural extension agent in Buncombe County, N.C. "Transplants of tobacco are dying. They stood there for a few days, and now they're starting to die. I never have known a spring like this and nobody you talk to has, either."

The situation is acute for dairy farmers because grass to feed livestock is wilting or not growing as fast as usual, and they also depend on hay grown at this time of year to feed their animals in the winter.

Hundreds of migrant workers who journey north to the Red River Valley along the upper Minnesota-North Dakota border every year to thin and weed sugar beets are finding there's no work waiting for them.



Workers head toward an Alaska Airlines plane late Sunday after it skidded off a runway at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. (AP Laserphoto)

Jetliner skids off runway at Seattle

SEATTLE (AP) — An Alaska Airlines jetliner skidded off a runway after landing at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, and four of the 82 people aboard sustained minor injuries, officials said.

The accident occurred late Sunday as Flight 187 from Tucson, Ariz., landed, and resulted in a 15-minute closure of the airport, authorities said.

The extent of damage to the Boeing 727 was not determined, although there was no fire and no damage to the fuselage was visible.

The passengers used emergency chutes to evacuate, said Port of Seattle Police spokeswoman Margo Spellman.

Afterward, two people complained of back pain

and were taken away by ambulance, Ms. Spellman said. One person received a bruised knee and one a sprained ankle, she said.

The airplane veered off a runway and came to a rest on a grassy strip dividing Sea-Tac's two parallel runways, said police spokesman John Eliadis.

National Transportation Safety Board investigators were checking to determine if the plane blew a tire upon landing or had struck debris on the runway, officials said.

"It was a fairly normal flight until we landed," said Marlene Davies, 52, of Kent, one of 75 passengers.

Prolific western author dies of lung cancer

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Louis L'Amour, one of America's most prolific storytellers whose frontier tales of gunfighters, lawmen and drifters enthralled millions of readers from waitresses to presidents, has died. He was 80.

The funeral for L'Amour, who died of lung cancer Friday at his Beverly Hills home, will be private, his daughter, Angeliue L'Amour said Sunday night.

A few hours before his death L'Amour was proofreading the manuscript of his autobiography "Education of a Wandering Man," according to Bantam Books, his publisher of 33 years.

"For millions of readers around the world, Louis was the embodiment of the North Amer-

ican frontier," said Stuart Applebaum, his editor at Bantam.

"They were able to relive our American history and heritage," the editor added. "His books gave pleasure to truck drivers and truck stop waitresses, financiers and presidents of the United States. ... His work far transcends the Western novel genre."

L'Amour wrote 101 books, nearly all of them Westerns, including "Hondo," "The Iron Marshal," "The Quick and the Dead," "Sackett's Land," "Down the Long Hills" and "Ride the Dark Trail."

Nearly 200 million copies of the books are in print; his works were translated into 20 languages.

More than 45 of his novels and

short stories were made into movies, including "Hondo," "Burning Hills," "Heller in Pink Tights" and "Stranger on Horseback." Stars cast in L'Amour Westerns included John Wayne, Natalie Wood and Alan Ladd.

Applebaum noted that perhaps his best-known novel, "How The West Was Won," was based on the movie screenplay.

L'Amour was a writer who paid scrupulous detail to accuracy.

"If he said that the cowboys went over a hill and to the right was Jones Hill, then there was Jones Hill. He researched it from heck to breakfast," retired newspaperman Jack Evans said Sunday.



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World

No country immune from AIDS virus' widening grip

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — New AIDS cases are being reported in the United States at the rate of one every 14 minutes and an estimated 365,000 cases will have been reported by 1992, the latest U.S. government figures show.

Dr. James Curran, director of the AIDS program at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, said today that it is difficult to tell whether the AIDS epidemic is leveling off.

But he also said that, in his view, that is not a very important question.

"We had a thousand cases reported in the United States last week," he said in an interview during the Fourth International Conference on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. "Does it matter whether it's going up or not?"

"It might level off like lung cancer or heart disease — and that's not good," Curran added.

He said an increasing number of people are contracting AIDS through heterosexual contact in the United States,

but that no explosive increases in heterosexual spread of AIDS are likely.

"The data is too incomplete for firm conclusions," Curran said.

In Europe, 12,221 cases of AIDS have been reported as of March 31, more than double the number reported a year earlier, Jean-Baptiste Brunet of Claude Bernard Hospital in Paris, said today.

AIDS among drug abusers is increasing rapidly in Spain, France and Italy, he said. An estimated 300,000 to 800,000 people in 30 European countries are now believed to be infected with the AIDS virus, Brunet said.

On Sunday, the director of the World Health Organization's AIDS program told the conference's opening session that as many as several hundred million people around the world may be at risk of getting AIDS, which is now present in virtually every country in the world.

"No country is immune," Dr. Jonathan Mann said.

"We do not — we cannot — have precise numbers, but it is likely that several hundred million people around the world may have behaviors which make them potentially vulnerable to infection with HIV," said Mann, one of 7,000 scientists and doctors attending the largest AIDS conference ever held.

He estimated that 150,000 people will develop AIDS in 1988, doubling in one year the estimated number of cases in the history of the epidemic.

In other developments, researchers at the National Cancer Institute reported that a widely used AIDS drug appears to dramatically reverse the devastating effects of the disease on the brains of children.

Dr. Philip Pizzo said children who have lost their speech as the result of AIDS infection in the brain subsequently recovered their ability to talk and other functions of the brain.

Pizzo's study of 21 AIDS-infected children aged 14 months to 21 years showed

that their IQ scores rose about 15 points after they took AZT, the only drug that has been shown to help delay the onset and severity of AIDS symptoms.

Also, another researcher reported a study showing that a newly discovered herpes virus can activate dormant AIDS virus and increase its ability to damage the body's immune defenses.

The virus appears to be harmless or to produce only very mild disease in otherwise normal, healthy people, said Dr. Robert Gallo of the National Cancer Institute.

The new herpes virus was discovered by researchers in Gallo's laboratory in 1986. It was initially called HBLV (for human B-cell lymphotropic virus) and is now referred to as HHV-6 (human herpes virus, type six).

Mann painted a grim picture of the AIDS epidemic but noted that the world has never seen a mobilization of the kind that has been mounted to fight the deadly disease.

As an example of the ferocity with which AIDS can spread among drug abusers, Mann described the situation in Bangkok, Thailand.

Two years ago, virtually no one in the city had antibodies to the AIDS virus. The presence of AIDS antibodies indicates an individual has been infected with the virus.

In 1987, 1 percent of the population had antibodies to AIDS. In the first three months of this year, the infection had spread to 16 percent of Bangkok's population.

"This epidemic curve — already documented in New York City, Edinburgh and Milan — threatens every community of IV (intravenous) drug users in the world," Mann said.

The number of AIDS cases officially reported to the World Health Organization stood at 96,433 as of June 1. The number of actual cases is now estimated to be 200,000, Mann said.

Argentine crash kills 22



(AP Laserphoto)

The remains of an Austral Air Lines DC-9 jetliner lie in a grove of trees after the plane crashed on approach to Posadas airport in Argentina Sunday morning, killing all 15

passengers and seven crew members. The plane crashed approximately a half-mile short of the airport in heavy fog.

Socialists look to Centrists or Communists for coalition

PARIS (AP) — French voters have deprived Socialist President Francois Mitterrand of a legislative majority and created the prospect of an unstable governing coalition for the first time in 30 years.

Socialists, who had won only a plurality of National Assembly seats after Sunday's second round of voting, must seek to govern with the help of Communists or centrists. Just a few weeks ago, they were widely expected to gain an absolute majority.

Also, the extreme-right National Front all but vanished from the legislature, winning just one seat against 35 two years ago. Among the casualties was party leader Jean-Marie Le Pen.

Some commentators said the political landscape could remain unsettled for weeks or even months. Such uncertainty would be unusual in France, which has known only stable government majorities since Charles de Gaulle founded the Fifth Republic in 1958.

Mitterrand's premier, Michel Rocard, tried to put the best face on the party's disappointment.

"You have chosen prudently," he told voters Sunday night in a television address. "It will take several days to draw the appropriate conclusions of all these choices."

However, others were more pessimistic.

"It will be the most subtle and complex situation you could imagine," said political commentator Alain Duhamel.

The Socialists could put together a majority in the 577-seat National Assembly either by joining with the Communist Party or by enticing some centrist members of the conservative coalition to change sides.

Neither path looked easy. It was also possible that the Socialists would set up a minority gov-

ernment with Rocard or someone new as premier. They would then try to win by seeking votes to the left or the right, depending on the issue.

The Communists said they would not consider forming a coalition with the Socialists unless Mitterrand reverses his movement toward the center and launches radical new economic policies to fight unemployment and poverty.

Centrist leaders said they would not abandon their conservative allies. But they also indicated the time has come for right and left to find a way to work together.

It takes 289 votes to form an absolute majority in the assembly.

Just barely behind, the conservative alliance had 269. The conservative Rally for the Republic won 126, the center-right Union for French Democracy took 129, and smaller rightist parties collected a total of 14.

The Communists had 26. The National Front salvaged one seat. Its leaders said it fell victim to the replacement of a proportional electoral system by a system of majority vote in two rounds, which favors larger parties. The first round was June 5.

Iran claims breakthrough in counteroffensive

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran said its forces broke through Iraqi defenses in southern Iraq today, killing or wounding 4,000 Iraqis nearly three weeks after the Iraqis drove them out of the region.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, said fierce fighting was raging, with the Iranians "holding the upper hand" in a series of pre-dawn assaults.

Iraq claimed the attacks were repulsed at dawn along the border east of Fish Lake in the Salamchah region, an area that runs parallel with the border that Iraq flooded with soldiers several

years ago to block Iranian thrusts.

Baghdad's official Iraqi News Agency, also monitored in Cyprus, quoted an unidentified military spokesman as saying the Iraqi forces "absorbed the momentum" of the offensive, indicating it was carried out in some strength.

The spokesman said the Iraqi Army was preparing a counter-offensive "that will teach the enemy a good lesson." He did not elaborate.

There was no independent confirmation of either sides' claim.

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Single Rose is the name of this Gaudy Dutch pattern. This bowl and plate are marked with the impressed name "Riley," adding to its value and rarity. (Sotheby's Inc., New York)

Gaudy creamware value fluctuates with the times

By RALPH & TERRY KOVEL

The term "Gaudy creamware" appears in a 1914 dictionary of ceramics, where it refers to the brightly colored dishes made in England from about 1800 to 1860 for sale in America.

These colorful dishes, with rust-red, yellow-green, blue, orange, red and pink decorations, were inexpensive, hand-decorated wares made in imitation of Japanese Imari wares and similar dishes made by the English firms of Worcester and Derby.

Gaudy Dutch (1800-1820), Gaudy Welsh (1830-1845) and Gaudy Ironstone (1855-1865) are forms of Gaudy creamware. In the 1940s, Gaudy Dutch was a very popular and expensive antique. It was the subject of many articles and, in 1954, a book was published listing its patterns and varieties. In the 1970s you could find Gaudy Dutch pieces at most good antiques shows, but now it has become very scarce and very expensive. The bright colors and the "country look" of the hand-drawn designs make this 175-year-old pottery at home on today's collector's shelf.

Q: How old are "sewing birds?" A: The sewing bird or hemming bird seems to be an 18th-century English idea. A small clamp, made to be attached to a tabletop, had a birdlike figure at the top. The bird's beak held a piece of fabric to the table so that a seamstress could pull the fabric taut and sew a more even line. Iron sewing birds were made by A.P. Bailey of Middleton, Conn. Brass, steel, bronze, silver, tin and plated metal birds were also made. Some had pincushions or other additional features. Collectors say that more than 160 types of sewing birds were made in the United States between 1850 and 1900 — and not only birds but also many other shapes such as fish, cupids, frogs and dogs. In the 1920s, the Japanese began making a newer version of the sewing

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A: Minerva is a pattern made in the late 1970s. Some pieces have medallions depicting Greek warriors, others the goddess Minerva. The most interesting piece in the set is the dish inscribed "Love's Request is for Pickles."

Q: I have a table the top of which folds in half so it can be leaned against the wall, leaving a half table with the other half rising above it. The top can also be folded down and the other half centered on the base, making a flat table. I wonder what the table was originally used for.

A: It's probably a gaming table. The folding top came into use during the 18th century, when chairs and tables that were not in daily use were kept against a wall, to keep the center of the room clear. Gambling was a popular form of entertainment, and gaming tables of all sorts were kept in many homes. The folding top made it possible to store the table in half the area it occupied when in actual use. Similar tables were used as extra dining tables.

TIP: To remove fresh food stains from rugs and upholstery, sprinkle cornmeal on the spot. It will act as a blotter. Then vacuum.

Q: I have a small copy of the first Life magazine, dated Nov. 23, 1936. It measures only 6 1/2 by 8 1/2 inches. It seems to be about one-fourth the size of the real magazine. Was the magazine originally that size?

A: No. Your magazine, a reprint of the original Life magazine, was a giveaway offered in

the 1950s. The weekly magazine ended publication in 1972 and started again in the 1980s, but not as a weekly. The same small issue has recently been reprinted and given away at special trade shows.

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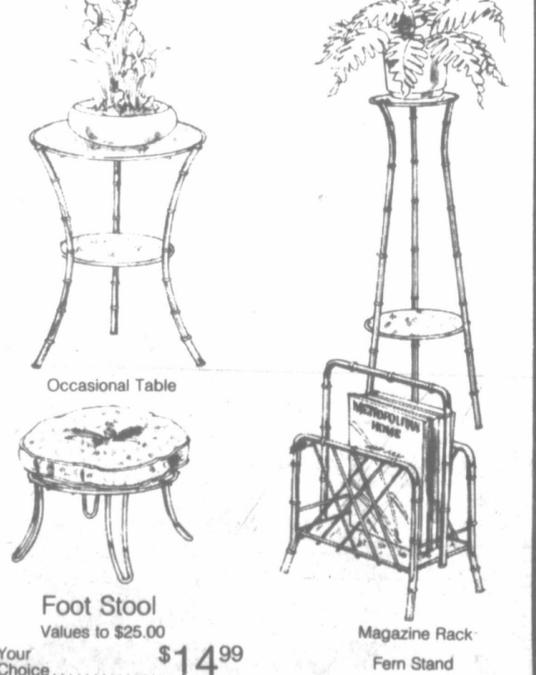
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For bagworms, use a spray mixture containing one of the following insecticides: Sevin, Dursban, Dylox, Diazinon, Orthene, Malathion or B.T.

For the elm leaf beetle larvae, use sprays with one of the following: Sevin, methoxychlor or orthene.

FLEA BEETLES
During the last few weeks, we have had several calls about these black beetles about 1/8-inch long that jump or hop around when you touch them.

Flea beetles are general plant feeders and are frequently found on the foliage of vegetable and flower garden plants. They chew small holes through the leaves from the underside, producing a shot-hole or sieve-like appearance. These insects derive their common name from the fact that they are provided with well developed hind legs and, when disturbed, jump in a manner resembling fleas.

Several insecticides should control them — such as Sevin, malathion, or methoxychlor — be sure to read and follow label directions.

CONTROL EUONYMUS SCALE

Euonymus scale can severely damage euonymus shrubs if they are not controlled.

The scale insects are found primarily on the underside of leaves but may also be on stems and trunk of shrubs.

There are two or three generations of euonymus scale each year. Scale insects spread to new



For Horticulture Joe VanZandt

foliage by means of the crawler stage which first appears during May. As crawlers begin to feed, a wax covering is formed over the insect.

Summer oil will control adult euonymus scale, and malathion or diazinon should be added to a summer oil and water mixture to control crawlers. Two or three insecticidal applications may be needed to control the pests. Thorough coverage of the entire shrub is important.

Inspect shrubs 10 to 14 days following each insecticidal application. The waxy covering from the crawlers will remain on plants even after the insects have been killed.

Rub the scales on a leaf or stem to determine if they are still alive. If a yellow liquid can be forced from the scales, they are still alive and another insecticidal application will be needed. If only the brown and white waxy scale coverings are removed when rubbing leaves and stems, the scale insects are dead.

Be sure to follow directions on insecticide labels when treating for euonymus scale. Too much oil in the mixture can cause foliage damage.

GARDEN FERTILIZATION
Most gardens are really grow-

ing and now is the time to consider additional nitrogen fertilization on several garden vegetables.

For tomatoes, peppers, summer squash, and okra, sidedress an additional 1 cup of ammonium nitrate per 100 sq feet of area when fruit begins to set by placing in a shallow trench 6 to 8 inches on either side of row. Cover with soil and irrigate. A similar rate can be sidedressed to cucumbers, winter squash and pumpkin when vines begin to run. Application to cabbage, corn and broccoli should be made about 5 to 4 weeks after the setting of plants or corn emergence. Do not sidedress additional nitrogen to peas or beans.

SICK PLANT CLINIC
June 28 is the date for the annual Sick Plant Clinic and Pressure Canner Gauge Testing at the Pampa Mall.

The event will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the mall area. The clinic will assist home gardeners by diagnosing sick plants, soil or insect problems. There will be three Extension Specialists on hand to assist homeowners with problems.

Anyone planning to do home food preservation can bring their pressure canner lids with geared (dial) gauges. My co-worker, Donna Brauchi, says that only the canner lid is needed for this service.

Mark the afternoon of June 28 on your calendar and plan to bring any of your "problems" to the clinic.

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Terrified wife keeps her distance

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Piston defenders put pressure on LA's Jabbar.

Lakers race past Pistons

By HOWARD ULMAN
AP Sports Writer

PONTIAC, Mich. — The Los Angeles Lakers don't run as much as they once did. They still run too much as far as the Detroit Pistons are concerned.

The Lakers dusted off their fast break in the third quarter and raced to a 99-86 victory on Sunday. It gave them a 2-1 lead in the NBA finals and gave the Pistons an opponent that is starting to use more weapons.

"We got everybody involved in the break," said guard Magic Johnson, the Lakers' primary weapon, "Finally."

"We couldn't slow the game down. Their defense was that good," Detroit guard Isiah Thomas said. "They more or less controlled the game from start to finish."

Having lost the homecourt advantage by splitting the first two games in Los Angeles, the Lakers faced three consecutive games at the Pistons' Silverdome home.

"Today's win was as big a win as we've ever had because of the hole we were in," Los Angeles coach Pat Riley said. "And now it's their squeeze game."

The Pistons will try to even the best-of-seven series Tuesday night. A fifth game is scheduled for Thursday night. Sunday's victory guarantees that the Lakers cannot lose the series on the road. If a sixth game is needed, it will be next Sunday in Los Angeles.

In a 105-93 opening loss, Los Angeles couldn't run much because Detroit hit 57.5 percent of its shots. In a 108-96 second-game victory, the Lakers ran a little more but settled for jump shots.

"We're not the running team we used to be," Riley said at practice Saturday. "We used to just

run crazy, run so much (that) something good would happen."

They may have abandoned the Earold Stassen approach to offense — running all the time — but they still can sprint when the opportunity occurs. It did, repeatedly, in the third quarter when Detroit shot poorly and Los Angeles controlled the defensive boards and played tight defense.

Los Angeles held a slim 47-46 halftime lead but outscored Detroit 31-18 in the third quarter to go ahead 78-64. Ten of the Lakers' 11 baskets in the period came on fast breaks, layups or other short shots.

"We got all those points, basically, on transition plays and we were running," said Johnson, who had 18 points, 14 assists, six rebounds and three steals. "The defense made it happen."

So did Lakers' center Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, who, like the fast break, hadn't been as effective as he once was.

He had three defensive rebounds in the first 2½ minutes of the third quarter. After getting a total of three rebounds in the first two contests, Abdul-Jabbar had four in the third quarter and seven in the game Sunday.

Detroit, whose only leads were 25-23 and 46-45, never threatened seriously in the fourth quarter, trailing by at least nine points for the final 12 minutes.

Los Angeles was led by James Worthy with 24 points and A.C. Green with a career playoff high of 21. Thomas had 28 points and Adrian Dantley 14 for Detroit.

Detroit cut it to 61-56, but an 11-2 run gave the Lakers a 78-64 lead. They led 78-64 going into the final quarter.

The Pistons made just 16 of 47 shots in the second half after hitting 22 of 44 in the first half.

Scott one-hits Atlanta

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston pitcher Mike Scott knows something about bouncing back.

He salvaged his career three years ago by learning the split-finger fast ball and Sunday he pitched no-hit baseball for 8 2-3 innings before shutting out Atlanta 5-0 on one hit.

Scott's pitching gem came after a Wednesday start against Los Angeles he described as his worst performance in three years.

"Maybe I ought to always pitch him with three days rest," Astros Manager Hal Lanier said.

"He had great control of all his pitches. His fast ball was better and that was helping his split-finger."

Scott struck out eight batters, didn't allow a walk and didn't yield a hit until Ken Oberkfell lined a single to right field with two out in the ninth.

Scott then retired Gerald Perry to finish with a one-hitter to become the sixth pitcher this season to lose a no-hitter in the ninth inning.

"It's over with and I guess I'll lose a little sleep tonight, but hey, we won the game," Scott said.

Scott, 7-2, ended a personal two-game losing streak after winning his first six decisions of the season, a career best start.

"I got the pitch up a little," Scott said. "I threw a split-finger to Obie earlier and it worked. I just got it up and he hit what was really a good pitch."

Scott pitched four innings and yielded five hits and four earned runs in losing his last start to the Los Angeles Dodgers 11-1.

"That was as bad as I've

thrown in three years that I can remember," Scott said. "I didn't have anything against the Dodgers."

Catcher Alan Ashby, who caught both games, said Scott was human against the Braves Sunday.

"It was one hit short of that magic," Ashby said. "If you're comparing him to two years ago, he was great today. Two years ago he was super human."

Standings

By The Associated Press
All Times CDT

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	38	21	.644	—
Detroit	36	23	.610	2
Cleveland	34	25	.576	3
Milwaukee	31	30	.508	8
Boston	28	29	.491	9
Toronto	27	33	.448	10½
Baltimore	15	45	.250	23½

West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Oakland	40	20	.667	—
Minnesota	32	27	.542	7½
Kansas City	32	29	.525	8½
Texas	29	31	.483	11
Chicago	26	33	.441	13½
Seattle	26	37	.413	15½
California	23	38	.377	17½

Late Games Not Included

Sunday's Games

Boston 8, Toronto 2
Detroit 5, Cleveland 4
New York 6, Baltimore 5
Milwaukee 16, Chicago 2
Kansas City 6, California 4
Minnesota 6, Seattle 2
Oakland at Texas, (n)

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	38	22	.633	—
Pittsburgh	34	27	.557	4½
St. Louis	32	29	.525	6½
Chicago	31	29	.517	7
Montreal	30	29	.508	7½
Philadelphia	25	33	.431	12

West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	32	26	.552	—
Houston	32	27	.542	½
San Francisco	31	30	.508	2½
Cincinnati	28	33	.459	5½
San Diego	25	36	.410	8½
Atlanta	20	37	.351	11½

Sunday's Games

Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 4
Montreal 4, New York 3, 11 Innings
Chicago 4, St. Louis 3
Houston 5, Atlanta 0
San Diego 5, Los Angeles 2
Cincinnati 10, San Francisco 6



(AP Laserphoto)

Astros' pitcher Mike Scott came close to a no-hitter.

Cabot blasts Dyer's 14-4

Cabot started its hitting attack early to dispose of Dyer's 14-4 in four innings in Major Bambino League action last week at Optimist Park.

Cabot is now 3-2 in second-half action while Dyer's drops to 1-4.

Michael Foote, Andy Sutton and Tracy Peet led Cabot's 15-hit attack with three hits each. Both Foote and Sutton had a pair of doubles with Foote knocking in two runs. Scott Larue had two hits and one RBI while Kyle Parnell had a hit and RBI.

Winning pitcher was Chris Gilbert, who allowed just two hits while striking out seven.

Clarence Reed and Jerry Don Belt had one hit each for Dyer's.

The game was called after four innings due to the 10-run rule.

This is the final week of the season in the Major Bambino League.

Cockrell claims All-Around title

Amy Cockrell of Pampa was named the 1987-88 All-Around Cowgirl during the Tri-State Rodeo Finals Banquet Sunday at the Moore County Community Building in Dumas.

Cockrell amassed 443 points to claim the All-Around title, taking first in barrel racing, pole bending and breakaway roping.

Nancy Hill of Channing was second with 325 points while Jane Templar of Tascosa was third with 316.

Stran Smith of McLean was All-Around Cowboy with 197½ points.

Not easy to pick a winner

At the risk of sounding trite, I'd like to say that major league baseball and NFL football are two different animals. Most sports fans enjoy them both, but let's face it, it's easier to pick division winners intelligently, or at least confidently, in football than in baseball. Inevitably there are those who will disagree, but the sheer numbers involved in baseball can be mind-boggling.

Look at it this way. The 28 teams in the NFL each play 16 games a season, one game per week. Admittedly, that's plenty to keep a sports writer busy, but take a look at baseball.

Each of the 26 major league teams plays 162 games a season. On a slow week, a team might get two days off, excluding the All Star break. And a player can't spit without it being recorded in the stats books. We're talking about a full-time job just to be able to carry on an informed conversation about pennant races. Luckily, baseball statisticians make it easier for those who are supposed to know such things.

And if the last decade is any indication, gone are the days of baseball's "dynasties," like the Yankees of Babe Ruth, Mickey Mantle or Joe DiMaggio. Or even the A's, Reds and Dodgers of the 1970's.

In winning the World Series in 1987, the Minnesota Twins became the tenth different team to do so in the last ten years. No team since the Yankees, who won the World Series in '77 and '78, has won the World Series twice in the last decade, much less winning it back-to-back.

It's not so easy to pick a winner

In Stride

By Sonny Bohanan



any more, and if your team won a division title last year, the odds are against a repeat this year. The recent parity among major league teams has spawned the emergence of one-year wonders, teams that rise up from the madding crowd to grasp a division title before sinking back into obscurity.

The upshot of all this chaos is that any team, regardless of how poorly it finished one year, can always win its division the following year. It gives me hope that I will someday be watching the World Series in Arlington Stadium.

After reading *Globe-News* sports writer Lance Lahmert's column last week about coming into contact with famous people, it got me started thinking about my brushes with fame.

While working as a waiter at a restaurant in Arlington, I waited on Donald Curry, a professional boxer out of Fort Worth. He's a good fighter, but a terrible tipper.

Meadowlark Lemon, of Harlem Globetrotters' fame, also came into the restaurant once. After watching him for several minutes, I was hoping for a

chance to talk to him. I was a few feet from his table when he got up and walked toward me. He asked me where the restroom was, and I dutifully directed him there.

I have also met Robin Blake, affectionately known as "Rockin' Robin," another professional boxer out of Fort Worth. To say I have met him is perhaps putting it mildly. When I was in sixth grade, I fought him in the finals of a tournament in Levelland. We were vying for the pee wee title, in the 65-pound weight class. He won it.

Although I never met Drew Pearson, I stood about two feet from him in the Dallas Cowboys' training facility in Dallas. I was helping unload their equipment one summer as a kid in return for an official NFL football.

I came face-to-face with several of the Texas Rangers while watching them take indoor batting practice at Arlington Stadium. None of them ever gave me their glove, though, so I guess it doesn't really count.

I have interviewed Tanya Lidy and watched her in awe at the state track meet in May. She may not be famous yet, but she will be. Congratulations on two gold medals in Sacramento, Tanya.

Rangers' youth movement falters

ARLINGTON (AP) — Youth was to be the Texas Rangers' future; the team's ticket to the top.

Center fielder Oddibe McDowell, infielder Jerry Browne and pitchers Bobby Witt and Edwin Correa were to be the cornerstones of the house that Rangers Manager Bobby Valentine would build.

Perhaps they will be the teams future, but what about the present?

Browne was sent down to the minors Thursday, to the team's Class AAA club at Oklahoma City, where he joined Witt, who went there a month earlier.

Correa faces shoulder surgery. And McDowell, struggling to hit .200, is being platooned in center field.

Despite the setbacks, the Rangers don't plan to change their strategy for letting young men gradually turn into proven veterans, The Dallas Morning News reported Sunday.

"You can't expect to bring up 12 players and have them all turn into legit," veteran designated hitter Larry Parrish said.

"Somebody is going to run into a physical problem and some might not make it mentally," Parrish said. "We've had a couple of setbacks, but nothing drastic."

Meanwhile, outfielder Pete Incaviglia bypas-

sed the minor leagues, hit 57 home runs in his first two years in the bigs, and through Sunday was batting .261 and tied for second in the American League for homers with 13.

Outfielder Ruben Sierra leads the Rangers in runs batted in with 35.

Third baseman Steve Buechele has added to his steady fielding glove a .282 batting average.

Catcher Mike Stanley remains in the middle. He hasn't come around with his bat as the Rangers had hoped, but has, in only his second season, shown the ability to work with pitchers in setting up a good pitching game plan.

The Rangers still figure Witt and Browne are part of the team's future. They are both in Class AAA for the first time, after skipping from Class AA to the majors.

It is Correa and McDowell the team is concerned about. Doctors discovered a stress fracture in Correa's shoulder last July. That has healed, but the pain hasn't. He has agreed to have exploratory surgery to pinpoint the problem.

"The bottom line is, if the surgery is successful, Edwin will be a 23-year-old in 1989 who has had some success in the big leagues," said Tom Grieve, the Rangers' vice president and general manager.

Mavericks reap record profit

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks' first trip to the Western Conference finals of the NBA scored a record profit for Reunion Arena, officials said.

David Brown, business manager of Reunion Arena, said the facility netted \$480,000 from the eight postseason home games played against the Houston Rockets, Denver Nuggets and Los Angeles Lakers. Profits for the entire season were about \$3 million.

The 1986-87 season brought Reunion Arena a profit of about \$2.5 million, Brown said, or 20 percent below this year.

The arena took in an average of \$60,000 for the home playoff games, compared to an average of \$50,000 for each of the 41 home contests during the regular season, Brown said.

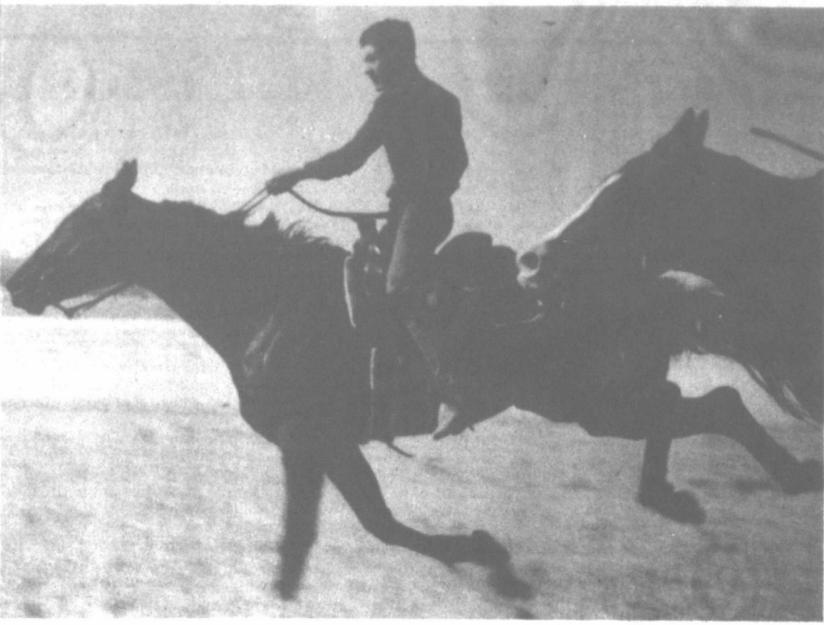
"It's been our biggest year, because it is the first time the team has been to the (Western Conference) finals," Brown said.

Although no exact figures can be determined, officials from the West End Association and the Dallas Convention and Visitors Bureau said the Mavericks' winning ways definitely provided a boost for restaurants, bars, hotels and other downtown businesses.

Dick's Last Resort raked in an additional 20 percent on weeknights during the playoffs and an extra 30 percent on weekends, said Brenda Crouch, the West End bar's marketing director.

"The Mavericks are wonderful for merchants in the West End," she told the Dallas Times Herald.

Tex takes first



Mark Brinson's bay, "Tex," crosses the finish line a half a length in front of Pat Robins' "Miss Breeze" to win last weekend's one-fourth mile horse race in McLean. The race was held in conjunction with the McLean 66 Roundup Rodeo. (Staff Photo by Sonny Bohanan)

Amarillo cowboy wins bareback crown at McLean's 66 Rodeo

Saturday night wrapped up the competition in McLean's 66 Roundup Rodeo, produced by Richard Nevels of Kansas. The cowboys and cowgirls in Saturday night's finals competed against the scores and times from Friday.

Each entrant posted a \$50 entry fee, and the money collected in each event was split 50 percent, 30 percent and 20 percent among the top three finishers.

Nicky Hanks of Amarillo captured first prize in bareback bronc riding with a score of 72. Kelly Hanks of Canyon and Randy Mitchell of Purcell, Okla. both scored 70, tying for second place.

In Saturday's calf roping, Sid Howard, Roger Davis and Terry Kitt finished first, second and third, respectively, but as their times were not made available, it is uncertain whether they beat Friday's top two finishers. Monty Cluck of Gruver was first Friday night with a time of 13.84, and Jody Bellah was second, finishing in 14.58 seconds.

In saddlebronc riding, James Stewart of Andrews went home with all the money, as he was the only one who qualified on Saturday night.

Vanell Littlefield of Clarendon won the ladies' breakaway roping with a time of 5.52 seconds. Candy Watts took second and Shannon Garrison of Channing was third.

Jerry Light of Amarillo was first in the steer wrestling competition. Steve McConnell of Hereford captured second place, and Kenny Wicher of Canadian finished third.

In team roping, Larry Cohran of Las Cruces, N.M. and his partner Byron Wikerson of Sierra Vista, N.M. took home first prize with a time of 6.792 seconds. Buster Record of Beaver, Okla. and his partner Sid Howard finished in second place, followed by Cliff Bradstreet of Wheeler and his partner Cliff Tibbett.

Amber Bruce of Farwell won the barrel racing event in 17.556 seconds, followed closely by Janie Riemer of Stinnett, who finished in 17.886 seconds. Tracy Hedeman of Oklahoma was third.

In bull riding, Scott Johnson and Max Payne tied for first place with a score of 73. Jason Harris of Amarillo and Keith Adams of Odessa both scored 72 for a share of second place.

Ballesteros wins Westchester Classic

By BOB GREEN
AP Golf Writer

HARRISON, N.Y. — Seve Ballesteros not only redeemed an earlier failure, he also exercised a haunting memory with his playoff victory in the Westchester Classic.

"Every since the Masters playoff (in 1987 when he 3-putted the first extra hole before Larry Mize pitched in to beat Greg Norman), I have no confidence in my putting," Ballesteros said.

"I lost a lot of confidence in my game. I lost a lot of confidence in my putting," said Ballesteros, who has been in a decided slump since that playoff loss in the Masters.

"This was very important," he said Sunday after his birdie on the first playoff hole had eliminated Norman, David Frost and the bitterly disappointed Ken Green.

"I feel much better," said Ballesteros, who has

won two Masters, two British Opens and now ranks as the likely favorite in this week's U.S. Open.

Ballesteros' victory, worth \$126,000 from the total purse of \$700,000, was his second in this tournament, sixth in this country and first in the United States in three years.

He won it by boldly attempting to drive the green on the 314-yard 10th hole at the Westchester Country Club course.

He did the same thing a year ago, but pulled the shot badly, thrashed around in trees and trash for a while and did not complete the hole, losing to J.C. Snead's cautious, routine par.

This time, his drive reached a greenside bunker. He came out to five feet and — after Norman and Frost had played three shots and Green four — dropped the winning putt.

The playoff was set up when all four participants birdied the par-5 18th hole, finishing regulation play at 8-under-par 276.

Stanford overcame adversity

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — When they're ready to make a movie about another team overcoming adversity to win a national title, producers should call Stanford coach Mark Marquess. His 1988 Cardinal squad already wrote the script.

Stanford became the first team since Southern Cal won five straight titles from 1970-1974 to win consecutive national championships at the College World Series with a 9-4 victory over top-ranked Arizona State on Saturday.

"I still can't figure this team out," Marquess said of his seventh-ranked team which was 19-10 at one point and finished 46-23. "There were many times we could look very good and then, the very next game, we'd look very bad."

"If you would have asked me in the middle of the season, I would have bet the ranch that we wouldn't get back here. We had so much adversity," All-American third baseman Ed Sprague said. "We had ups and downs, and we weren't playing real well. Finally, we put things together. That was the key."

Stanford wasted no time Saturday in jumping all over Arizona State, a team that had defeated the Cardinal five of

six times during the regular season.

Five runs were scored in the first, thanks to Sprague's two-run homer off Rusty Kilgo, 12-3, and a two-run double from Brian Johnson off reliever Blas Minor. Another run scored on Paul Carey's sacrifice fly in the second, and Tim Griffin doubled in another in the third, then made it 8-0 when he scored one out later on a wild pitch.

"I've never seen them hit the ball like that before," Arizona State first baseman Steve Willis said. "They just came out smoking. It was incredible."

Stanford had 13 hits, while Arizona State, 60-13, was held to six and one unearned run through seven innings by freshman Stan Spencer, 7-2. Spencer was roughed up twice in regular-season outings against ASU, giving up eight runs in 6 2-3 innings.

"I think he knew the hitters better," Willis said. "The first couple of times I faced him today, he had me thinking, and when he got me thinking, I was beat."

Willis finally solved Spencer's pitching with a three-run homer in the eighth. That prompted Marquess to bring on relief ace Steve Chitren, who picked earned 11th save with two innings of one-hit relief.

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Pampa softball roundup

Standings through June 9 in the Pampa summer softball leagues are listed below:

MEN'S CHURCH LEAGUE
Central Baptist B, 7-1; Brairwood New Life, 6-2; First Presbyterian, 5-3; First Baptist, 4-4; First Christian Church, 4-4; St. Paul Methodist, 4-4; Central Baptist A, 3-5; Calvary Baptist, 3-5; First Assembly of God, 3-5; Briarwood Eagles, 1-7.

Results: Central Baptist B 13, First Baptist 7; First Christian Church won by forfeit over St. Paul Methodist; Briarwood Eagles 6, Central Baptist B, 5; First Baptist, 18, First Presbyterian 10; First Presbyterian 10, First Christian Church 3; First Presbyterian 18, First Assembly of God 13.

MEN'S OPEN DIVISION ONE
Harvey Mart Two 11-0; Mc-A-Doodles, 6-4; Party Station, 6-5; Booze-N-Brew, 6-5; Danny's Market, 4-6; Caprock Engineering, 4-6; Gary's Pest Control, 3-7; Pampa Merchants, 2-9.

Results: Caprock Engineering 6, Danny's Market 2; Pampa Merchants 12, Gary's Pest Control 6; Party Station 14, Booze-N-Brew 3; Harvey Mart Two 10, Mc-A-Doodles 8; Booze-N-Brew 13, Pampa Merchants 9.

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MEN'S OPEN DIVISION TWO
Independents 10-1; Fluor Daniel Construction 8-2; Hendricks Painting 8-2; Skinner Motor Company 7-4; Skeeter's Killarney 5-7; Bean & Smith 3-7; United Feed 1-10; Fluor Daniel Engineers 0-9.

Results: Bean & Smith 20, Skeeter's Killarney 16; Hendricks Painting 28, United Feed 5; Fluor Daniel Construction 15, Fluor Daniel Engineers 10; Hendricks Painting 12, Bean & Smith 11; Independents won by forfeit over Skeeter's Killarney; Fluor Daniel Construction 24, United Feed 4; Skinner Motor Company 24, Fluor Daniel Engineers 6; Independents 10, Skinner Motor Company 9.

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MEN'S OPEN DIVISION THREE
Pizza Hut 9-3; CABOT R&D 8-3; Special Forces 8-3; Cabot Pampa Plant 6-6; Randy's 5-6; Cabot GP&P 5-6; Glo-Valve Strike Force 3-9; Biltz 2-10.

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WOMEN'S OPEN LEAGUE
Clements 8-0; Hi-Land Fashions 7-1; McGuire Motors 6-1; Norris Well Service 6-2; Skinner Motor Company 4-2; Hoechst Celanese 3-3; Central Baptist 2-5; First National Bank 2-5; Fluor Daniel 1-7; Duncan Insurance 1-7; Exposito College of Hair Design 0-7.

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Hagler announces retirement
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Redeeming the property becomes even more costly the second year, when the former owner must pay the first three items mentioned plus 50 percent of the total of the first three.

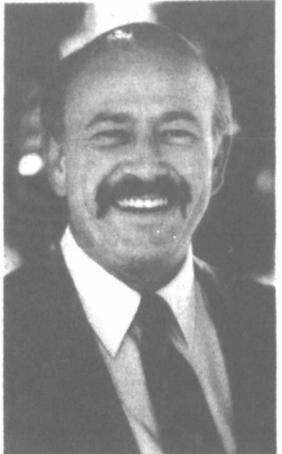
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the property or the total amount of tax, penalty and interest, court costs, publication costs, etc. whichever is the least amount.

He then asks for bids. "At that point, if anyone wants to bid on the property they can," Brennen said.

Jordan calls the final bid price three times, then either proclaims it "sold" to the highest bidder or strikes the property off to the entity which brought the suit.

Of the six tax sales that have taken place since last September, only a few pieces of property have been sold. On June 7, for example, Lance and Carole Tucker



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or case law appears to authorize a purchaser's right to recover improvements added to the property during the redemption period," Farmbrough warned. "Consequently, the purchaser should be hesitant to add improvements until the redemptive period ends."

"We cannot represent to the people purchasing (the property)

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as to clear title," Brennen said. "If they're interested (in buying property at a tax sale), they need to go to an attorney."

In Pampa, sheriff's sales are scheduled the first Tuesday of the month after the judgments are made in court. During the time between the judgments and the sale, it is mandatory that a notice of the judgment and sale be printed three times in a local publication. Costs of these notices are included in the price of the property.

The sale generally takes place on the courthouse lawn, unless weather forces the sale to go into the halls of the building.

Gray County Sheriff Rufe Jordan stands in front of the courthouse and calls out a part of the order of sale: name, case, cause number and defendant's name. He then lists the tracts and announces a minimum bid which is either the appraised value of

bought the lot adjoining their home in the 500 block of Davis from the city of Pampa for \$1,869.28, the minimum bid.

This price may prove deceptive, however. Now that the Tuckers are owners of the property, they will become responsible also for the delinquent school and county taxes levied against it.

Only one entity files a suit against the property. Other entities which also have unpaid taxes for the property may intervene in the suit, insuring that they also will receive the money owed them.

But for the moment, the Tuckers say they are happy with their buy.

"We've introduced ourselves to the new renters and met with the previous owner," Tucker said.

He said he paid for the property in cash, signed all the papers and received a receipt. The sheriff's deed is to be mailed to him, Tucker said.

'Anyone contemplating purchasing property at a tax sale should be aware of provisions in the Texas Constitution and in the Texas Property Code.'

Ironically, Tucker said he offered to buy the property five years ago for \$8,000 and was refused because the price was too low.

TUESDAY: What happens when local governments become landowners and what delinquent property owners can expect from the incoming collection firm.

Borrowers suing lenders after foreclosures

DALLAS (AP) — Distressed borrowers — many of them oilmen and real estate developers — are fighting Texas banks and thrifts in more than 400 so-called "lender liability" lawsuits.

Borrowers are alleging lenders often fail to issue promised credit, thereby disrupting a project or business. Usury is a common charge in cases where savings and loans took equity positions in projects. Charges of fraud and deception are almost uniformly found in the lawsuits, as lenders are accused of exercising bad faith in negotiations with bor-

rowers in default. The lawsuits stem from the depressed Texas economy, experts say.

"When times are bad, everybody is attacking everybody, looking for a deep pocket," said Tom King, president of the Texas Savings and Loan League.

"Borrowers in difficulty obviously have a choice as to whether they will use their last few dollars to pay a lawyer or pay their lender," says James Gardner, a group chairman of Dallas-based MCorp.

Jury sympathy seems to be with the bor-

rowers, which attorneys attribute to the panels' experience with bankers.

"It's hard to find juries filled with people who have had good relationships with banks," said Ira Einsohn, a lawyer with Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue.

In many cases, fear of a devastating jury verdict is prompting lenders to grant extraordinary concessions to borrowers. Zero interest loans and so-called "cash-flow" loans that require no more than current operating income from a troubled project are being granted.

Residents unfazed by Uncertain missile detonations

UNCERTAIN (AP) — Seven hundred medium-range nuclear missiles banned by an arms reduction treaty between the United States and Soviet Union face an Uncertain future.

This far East Texas city, named by pioneers who were uncertain which way to go to find nearby Jefferson, has been chosen by U.S. Army officials as the location to begin eliminating their oversupply of Pershing missiles.

The missiles will be burned over the next three years at the Longhorn Army Ammunition Plant in Uncertain and at the Army's Pueblo Depot Activity in Col-

orado. The burnings will begin in mid-August, said Col. Allen Germain, commander of the plant.

Burning nuclear missiles here doesn't appear to have fazed many of the fewer than 200 residents of this lakeside village, the Dallas Times Herald reported.

"It's something I'm glad is being done, you know, for world peace," Mayor Jim Delmar said. "It's got to start somewhere."

Most Uncertain residents have grown accustomed to frequent detonations and burnings at the ammunition plant or just don't care what is going on behind the

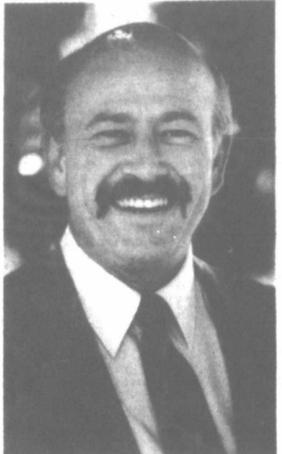
installation's chain-link fence. Many prefer to concentrate on how the fish are biting at Caddo Lake.

"I really don't have much feeling about it one way or the other," said George Williamson, owner of the Big Pine Lodge, which specializes in Caddo Lake catfish cuisine. "I don't know much about what it involves. I guess we just don't know enough about

what they're doing to be much excited about it."

Mayor Sam Birmingham of nearby Marshall thinks the missile burnings might boost his town's economy and create a few dozen new jobs.

"Nobody seems to be alarmed about it," Birmingham said. "I mean, the plant's been there, and they've been making missiles down there for years."



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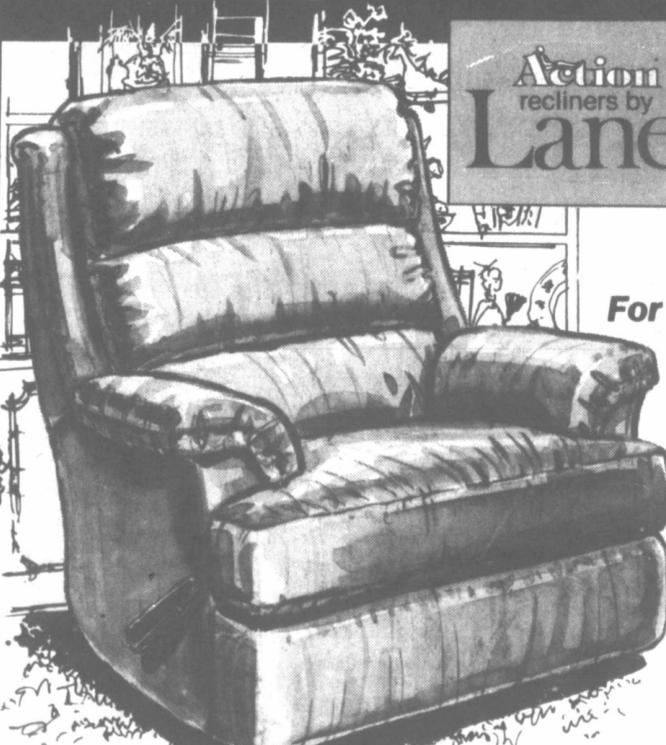
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