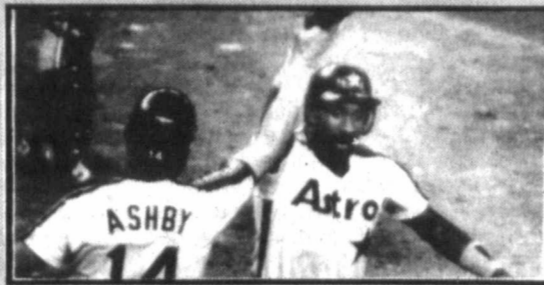


Mass murder

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Baseball

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Midland bust nets buyer tied to Iran, Page 3

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Pilot didn't check flaps

By JIM IRWIN
Associated Press Writer

ROMULUS, Mich. — Flight recorders from Northwest Airlines Flight 255 indicate the pilots didn't deploy the wing flaps and apparently didn't complete a preflight checklist that includes setting them, federal investigators said.

The investigators who released that information Wednesday stressed that it was only a part of the inquiry into the nation's second-worst airline disaster.

The McDonnell Douglas MD-80 crashed shortly after takeoff Sunday at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, killing up to 158 people. The only survivor, 4-year-old Cecilia Cichan, remained hospitalized in serious condition today.

The plane was equipped with a warning horn that should have sounded if any of several critical maneuvers weren't performed during takeoff, including adjustments to the plane's flaps, spoiler and stabilizer settings.

John Lauber of the National Transportation Safety Board said there was no indication on the cockpit recorder that a horn sounded. The voice recorder also did not show that the crew checked the position of the flaps and slats, Lauber said.

"They could hear the verbal checking off of some things," NTSB spokesman Alan Pollock said. "So far they have not heard anything that indicates they checked the flaps."

A jetliner's flaps are extended at various angles to boost lift during takeoff and are retracted when cruising.

"Those were in the zero, or retracted position," Lauber said of the flaps, adding, "in this aircraft, a zero flap configuration is acceptable under some conditions."

"Sources who spoke on condition of anonymity said the flight data recorder showed the flaps were left in a horizontal position and not extended downward, the normal position during takeoff."

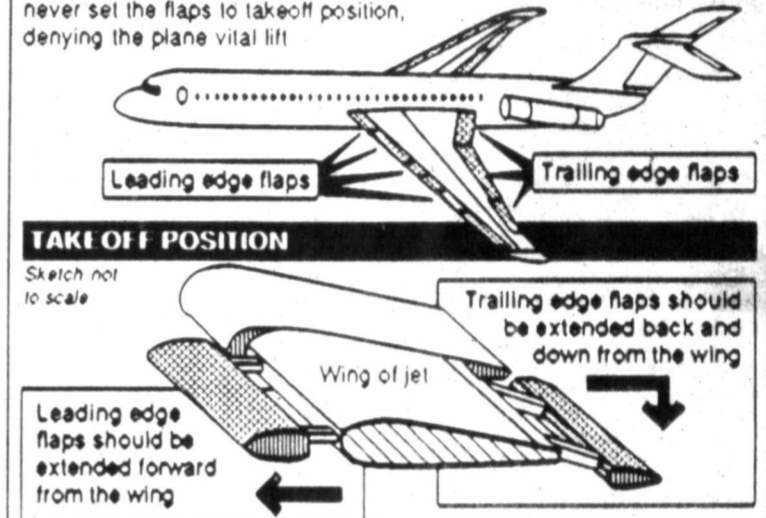
The MD-80 is capable of taking off without its flaps extended, but that requires a longer runway and higher speed, said Don Hanson, spokesman for the manufacturer. Pilots seldom take off with the flaps fully retracted unless they are flying into a strong headwind and don't want the added lift, he said.

The airport's computer-controlled wind shear alert system had recorded sudden wind shifts 30 minutes before Flight 255 took off.

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MD-80 Jetliner's Wing Flaps

According to a news report, pilots of the jet that crashed in Detroit never set the flaps to takeoff position, denying the plane vital lift



Hard spray



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Andrew Berzanski, 9, son of Cheryl and Peter Berzanski of Pampa, finds a hard squirt of water in the face a great way to cool off Wednesday afternoon, when the high

temperature in Pampa reached 94 degrees. The high Friday is expected to match that mark.

SUMMER DAZE

City chops 1988 budget

By LARRY HOLLIS
News Editor

Pampa city commissioners will hold a public hearing Tuesday on the proposed 1987-1988 fiscal year budget, which calls for no tax increase and spending cuts of \$600,000.

Meeting in budget workshop sessions for the past three nights, commissioners have considered a total city budget of about \$9.23 million, \$600,000 less than the \$9.83 million in the current budget that ends Sept. 30.

The property tax rate would remain at 64 cents per \$100 valuation, the same as it has been for the past two years and still 1 cent lower than when City Manager Bob Hart took over the reins during the 1984-1985 fiscal year. Commissioners also indicate there will be no fee increases in the coming budget year.

Mayor David McDaniel said Wednesday night that the budget represents a positive attempt at "holding the line" in light of the area's current economic situation, which has seen sales tax re-

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1987-1988 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Mayor and Commission	\$49,355
Administrative Services	\$357,942
Financial Services	\$290,186
Municipal Court	\$44,614
Police Services	\$1,128,890
Planning and Engineering	\$107,856
Streets and Traffic Control	\$828,505
Parks	\$357,180
Recreation	\$111,001
Building and Grounds	\$233,231
Emergency and Environmental Management Supervision	\$107,825
Fire Prevention†	\$81,676
Fire Suppression	\$1,072,005
Emergency Medical Service	\$53,000
Code Enforcement	\$81,957
Animal Control	\$86,581
Water and Wastewater	\$2,350,568
Solid Waste Management	\$784,091
Debt Service	\$579,361
TOTAL	\$8,705,824*

* Includes personnel to be transferred into area from other departments.

† Fire Prevention and Fire Suppression were combined in Fire Department figures for 1985-1986.

* Does not include figures for Lovett Memorial Library and M.K. Brown Auditorium.

School OKs bigger budget

By PAUL PINKHAM
Senior Staff Writer

It took Pampa school trustees less than 15 minutes Wednesday to record their first unanimous budget vote in three years.

Trustees put their stamp of approval on a \$12.06 million 1987-88 budget recommended by Superintendent Harry Griffith. The budget represents a \$500,000 spending increase and will require a 14.2-cent tax increase.

The proposed tax increase — from 71.8 cents to 86 cents per \$100 valuation — won't be voted on until after a public hearing is held Sept. 1.

If the budget is approved, the owner of a \$50,000 home currently paying \$359 in school taxes will pay \$430 next year.

"It's certainly been a lot more pleasurable this year than it was last year," school board Presi-

SCHOOL BUDGET	
The following are the major categories of expenses in the \$12.06 million 1987-88 Pampa school budget, approved by trustees Wednesday night:	\$433,000; (1986-87, \$404,000)
■ Payroll — \$9.77 million; (1986-87, \$9.61 million)	■ Total — \$12.06 million; (1986-87, \$11.56 million)
■ Contract services — \$1.01 million; (1986-87, \$899,000)	The following lists where revenues for the budget are expected to come from if a 14.2-cent tax hike is approved next month:
■ Supplies — \$591,000; (1986-87, \$547,000)	■ Current taxes — \$6.08 million
■ Capital outlay — \$250,000; (1986-87, \$106,000)	■ Other local sources — \$536,000
■ Miscellaneous operating —	■ State funding — \$5.06 million
	■ Cash reserves — \$389,000

dent Joe VanZandt said, following the first unanimous budget vote since he has been on the board.

"This time last year it was almost like a battlefield," echoed Lee Carter, president of the Pampa Classroom Teachers Association. Carter said he is pleased

with this year's budget.

Last year, trustees faced persistent criticism from teachers and taxpayers after numerous budget discussions and wound up voting 4-3 for a budget plan that included no tax increase. Instead, the district dipped deeply

See **SCHOOL**, Page 2

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

There will be one less person down on Main Street soon — Main Street Director Lyn Moulton is on her way out.

Pampa City Manager Bob Hart confirmed Wednesday that the city is letting Moulton go and will combine the Pampa Main Street Program with operation of the M.K. Brown Auditorium civic center. Auditorium Manager Danny Parkerson will take on the Main Street duties effective Oct. 1.

Hart was not sure Wednesday how to describe Moulton's departure. He stressed that she has not been fired — he has had a good working relationship with her, he said.

Moulton, 27, who has been Pampa's Main Street coordinator for 19 months, has not yet formally tendered her resignation, although Hart said a resignation will be listed on her job record.



Moulton



Parkerson

Hart said Moulton had expressed a desire to move on to another position elsewhere and that the city will adjust its budget accordingly. Moulton will not be listed on the city's 1988 payroll, Hart confirmed.

The city manager said the staff cut would save the city about

\$21,000 in salary.

Moulton, an Iowa native, said her departure would "be more advantageous to all involved."

"It's easier to pay one person for two jobs than two people for two jobs," she said.

"I'm leaving with no hard feelings. See **MOULTON**, Page 2

Phillips and agencies cooperate in oilfield disaster drill

By LARRY HOLLIS
News Editor

There was no blizzard, nor a tornado. But even small disasters can be important, especially to those who may find themselves immediately threatened by the event.

Wednesday afternoon a group of Phillips Pipe Line Co. employees were involved with a "small disaster," one with fire and hazardous chemical fumes posing a threat to nearby proper-

ty and lives at its Pampa Station, located about 7 miles west of Pampa.

Fortunately, this was a planned drill, an event that did not come unexpectedly. Instead, it gave Phillips a chance to hone its safety and emergency response procedures — and a chance to involve other industry and community emergency personnel.

The scenario set up a relatively small disaster: A lightning bolt at 2 p.m. had struck one of the pipeline station's 55,000-barrel storage tanks, creating an

explosion of the crude oil stored inside. Adding to the potential danger was the poisonous hydrogen sulfide gas contained in the oil — a colorless gas that could injure anyone breathing the substance, possibly stopping breathing and causing death.

The drill was not a new situation for Phillips. The company conducts such drills as part of its on-going safety training programs, explained Corky Jones, Phillips safety representative from Borger who was attending the drill as

an observer.

But this year Phillips decided to expand its drill operations and to have "a full-blown one" involving other emergency response personnel in the Pampa area from outside the company, Jones said.

Phillips enlisted the aid of Pampa-Gray County's Community Awareness and Emergency Response (CAER) Committee, an organization of governmental, industry, health care and emergency response personnel formed

to develop and implement emergency, disaster and hazardous materials response policies.

Casey Lane, maintenance operations supervisor at the Pampa Station, said "all of us put our heads together" in planning the drill and seeking CAER's involvement. He said he had been hearing of CAER's program and decided it would be worthwhile to coordinate the drill with the group and get its input.

Steve Barham, Phillips operations See **DRILL**, Page 3

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

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

Obituaries

No obituaries were reported to *The Pampa News* today.

Police report

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

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 19

The cover to a water meter was pried open in the 500 block of Magnolia.

Jeannie Brown, 2727 Beech, reported eggs thrown at a vehicle and broken eggs put in the mailbox at the address.

Joe Wheeler, 2100 N. Faulkner, reported theft of fishing equipment from a boat at the address. Matthew Ring, 945 S. Nelson, reported theft of a trailer tag at the address.

Jerry Leach, 2560 Beech, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at the address.

The door to a residence in the 300 block of North Sumner was found open.

Sheman Kermit Phillips Jr., 1023 Varnon, reported abusive language at the address.

A traffic complaint was voiced in the 600 and 700 blocks of North Faulkner.

A window was damaged at Pepsi Cola Bottling Co., 640 E. Foster.

Jackie Lynn Martindale, 700 E. 15th, reported criminal mischief to a motor vehicle in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

THURSDAY, Aug. 20

Driving while intoxicated was alleged in the 1500 block of North Hobart.

Terry Glenn Honeycutt, 200 N. Wells, reported criminal mischief to a motor vehicle in the 1000 block of Park

Stock market

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

Wheat 2.24
Milo 2.80
Corn 3.10
The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of completion.

Arco	92	up 1/4
Cabot	39 1/2	up 1/2
Chevron	58 1/2	up 1/2
Enron	52	up 1/2
Halliburton	40 1/2	up 1/2
HCA	47 1/2	NC
Ingersoll-Rand	40 1/2	dn 1/2
Kerr-McGee	43 1/2	up 1/2
KNE	16 1/2	up 1/2
Masco	59 1/2	NC
Maxxus	15 1/2	up 1/2
Mesa Ltd.	15	NC
Mobil	50 1/2	NC
Penney's	64 1/2	up 1/2
Phillips	17 1/2	up 1/2
SLB	47 1/2	up 1/2
SPS	28 1/2	NC
Tenneco	53 1/2	up 1/2
Texaco	43 1/2	NC
New York Gold	457.40	
Silver	7.77	

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion.

Magellan 59.38
Puritan 15.01
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco 79 1/2 up 1/2

Hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions

Mary Adkins, Pampa
Thu Fenno, Pampa
Emma Mastella, Pampa
Mable Pletcher, Pampa
Sonya Slaybaugh, Pampa
Sherry Tackett, White Deer

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Fenno, Pampa, a boy

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Parker, Pampa, a girl

Dismissals

Rose Alvarez, Pampa

Pauline Cotham, Pampa

Ruby Cunningham, Pampa

Ollie Dehls, Pampa

James Earp, Pampa

Estelle Orr, Mobeetie

John Reeves, Pampa

Gertrude Winegeart, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions

George Barth, Shamrock

Wanda Sims, Shamrock

Fay Martin, Shamrock

R.C. Lewis, Shamrock

Mildred Rook, Shamrock

Minor accidents

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

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 19

A 1971 Chevrolet pickup truck, driven by Phillip Taylor, 1838 N. Nelson, and a 1986 Ford pickup truck, driven by Michael Hickman, 1821 N. Zimmers, collided in the 1300 block of North Hobart. No injuries were reported. Taylor was cited for following too closely.

Arrests

Arrests-City Jail

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 19

Roderic D. Casel, 20, 315 E. Francis, was arrested in the 1100 block of Gwendolyn on charges of no drivers license and no insurance.

THURSDAY, Aug. 20

Betty K. Barnett, 45, 530 Naida, was arrested in the 1500 block of North Nelson on charges of driving while intoxicated and traffic offenses.

Fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported two calls in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 19

5:36 p.m. Respond to report of man reportedly trapped under a building at the Carrol Apartments on Frost Street. The man had crawled out.

5:28 p.m. Electrical short at 524 N. Sumner.

School

into cash reserves to make up an \$850,000 budget deficit.

This year, even with the projected tax increase, Griffith said the district will still have to raid the district's \$2.65 million reserve funds to make up a \$389,000 deficit. School Business Manager Jerry Haralson has said he needs at least \$2 million in reserve to pay bills from September until tax statements are mailed in December.

Even without the \$500,000 spending increase, Haralson and former Gray County Chief Appraiser Charles Buzzard said the district would have to raise taxes almost 8 cents per \$100 valuation to meet 1986-87 spending levels.

As it stands, the district will raise taxes by the maximum level allowed before taxpayers can seek a rollback election.

Griffith said the spending increase is needed to make much-needed improvements in various educational areas. He said the district has delayed purchase of needed equipment such as computers and school buses "because we simply can't afford it right now."

Ideally, he said, the district needs about \$2 million more to bring all areas "up to snuff."

"I know that there's concern about the budget on the part of the taxpayers, but, on the other hand, at stake is the future of 4,200 students," Griffith said. "We're

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going to be as conservative as we can while still making improvements."

Included in the 1987-88 budget are:

■ a new, 18-step teacher salary schedule that replaces a 10-step state schedule;

■ a 2 percent across-the-board raise for custodians; and

■ roughly \$6,000 budgeted for the new soccer program at Pampa High School.

Under the new teacher salary schedule, proposed by Griffith and a committee of teachers, the teachers will receive annual raises averaging \$800 for 18 years, as opposed to the state plan, which calls for \$1,140 raises for only 10 years.

Griffith has criticized the state plan for not rewarding teachers once they reach 10 years of experience.

Under the proposed plan, starting teachers will earn about \$700 more than they would have with the state plan, but Griffith said the proposal will save the district about \$75,000 this year. Eventually it will cost a few thousand dollars more than the state plan.

Griffith said the 18-step plan makes sense because most districts can't afford state-mandated increases of \$1,140 for teachers every year and are freezing salaries by reducing their local salary supplements.

Once the supplements are used up, Griffith said, those districts will have to return to the state-mandated increases in order to meet state base salary levels.

The board also approved several personnel recommendations, including:

■ resignations of Lorelie Wilson (Travis first grade), Kelly Bagley (middle school reading) and Bette Truly (middle school English);

■ reassignment of Nancy Helmer (Baker pre-kindergarten to middle school reading); and

■ employment of Lori Wych (high school history and coach), Clifton Goines (high school science), Sharon McQueen (Austin and Baker physical education), Gary Jones (high school psychology and math), Mary Avant (Baker special education) and Sue S. Cates (educational diagnostician).

Miami approves tax increase

MIAMI — City officials have raised taxes to 31 cents per \$100 valuation to fund a \$67,435 budget.

The tax rate is up 2 cents from last year's 29-cent tax rate and 1 cent higher than what city officials originally had planned. The tax base also was expanded earlier this year to include automobiles.

The Miami budget is \$1,335 higher than last year's budget of \$66,100. The budget includes a fund for a proposed new city landfill and to make up for losses in sales tax collections, Mayor Tom

Stribling said.

Also approved was an \$18,000 sewer fund budget, which includes money for a new evaporation pond.

In other business Tuesday, city officials inspected the city's seal coating project and agreed to pay the road contractors.

They approved a resolution allowing the Roberts County Appraisal District to stagger terms for its board of directors.

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Flaps

Departing traffic was switched to a shorter runway 20 minutes before the plane left to the northeast in estimated 14 mph westerly winds, Lauber said earlier.

Information about the flaps' position will be added to other factors, such as the plane's weight, speed and weather condi-

tions, to determine how it performed before the crash, Lauber said.

Flight 255 rolled 6,000 to 6,500 feet down the 8,500-foot runway and reached a maximum speed of 163 to 171 mph, Lauber said. The cockpit recorder also showed the plane never got above 48 feet, although witnesses estimated it was as high as 150 feet, he added.

Some witnesses reported seeing fire from the engines. Investigators determined both engines were producing equal amounts of thrust, and the engines' fire extinguishers were not activated in flight, Lauber said.

The death count has changed daily, because authorities say the presence of unticketed babies on the plane and deaths on the ground have hampered efforts to determine the exact number.

Kremlin expels two Japanese for espionage

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union today ordered a Japanese military attaché and a businessman out of the country after accusing them of espionage.

Another Japanese diplomat also was suspected of espionage but was not expelled, said Genady I. Gerasimov, chief spokesman for the Soviet foreign ministry.

Gerasimov told reporters at a briefing that Japanese defense attaché Tomohiro Okamoto, an air force colonel, and naval attaché Nobuhiro Takeshima

"were involved in espionage activities" while in the Soviet port city of Odessa on the Black Sea on July 29.

Soji Takao Otani, a Moscow representative of the giant Mitsub-

bishi manufacturing company, attempted to obtain commercial secrets from the Soviet foreign trade ministry, engaged in illegal speculation and violated Soviet travel restrictions, Gerasimov said.

Takeshima and Otani were ordered to leave the country, but a Japanese embassy official said neither man has left yet.

City briefs

KICK BACK Playing in Amarillo at Smitty's Friday and Saturday. Adv.

LOST IN vicinity of 1700 Christine. Calico Female Cat. Call 669-2548 or 665-4550. Adv.

IT'S NO Secret, Rolanda's is having a sale. Rolanda's, Pampa Mall. Adv.

HUGE GARAGE Sale. 1500 W. 22nd Friday 9-5. Baby items, 3 wheeler, clothes, miscellaneous. Adv.

PAMPA NURSING Center Beauty Pageant. Saturday August 22nd, 2 p.m. at the Pampa Mall. For more information call Velda Huddleston or Gail Dabbs at Pampa Nursing Center, 669-2551. Public is invited to attend and give support to their favorite contestant. Adv.

"ONCE AGAIN" Country Op'ry by Buck Creek Productions. Show and dance Saturday 22nd, M.K. Brown. Information 665-4841. Adv.

STEVE'S CAR and Truck Shop, 111 S. Price Rd. 669-6191, now open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Steve Stauffacher owner. Adv.

BABYSITTING in my home. Monday through Saturday. Daytime only. 669-3979. Adv.

TIP-TOP DEVELOPMENTAL gymnastics Fall enrollment, August 31st, 11-1 p.m. or 4-6 p.m. Coronado Center. 669-6997 or 665-9553. Adv.

414 E. Browning. Yard and Bake sale. M.G. Flyers Gymnastics team. Saturday only. Adv.

PAMPA SHRINERS now collecting for annual rummage sale. 669-7190, 665-1488, 665-1152. Adv.

LITTLE MEXICO Nachos with each 2 dinner plate order. Tuesday, Thursday, 5-8 p.m. 216 W. Craven. 669-7991. Adv.

FENCEWALKER BAND will be at the Catalina Club Friday and Saturday. Adv.

FARMERS MARKET Lots of farm fresh vegetables. M.K. Brown parking lot. Wednesday and Saturday. Opens 7 a.m. Adv.

PE-CO GOLD Exchange, 107 W. Foster, pays cash for Gold and Silver. Monday thru Saturday. 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Adv.

LOWER PRICES and greater selection of fresh coffee, whole beans or ground to order. Scotty's, Pampa Mall, 669-7921. Adv.

Moulton

ings and some darn good references," Moulton said, expressing regret that she cannot stay in the Pampa area longer.

She added that she has sent her resume out to prospective employers. She said she may stay in economic development, but she's keeping her options open.

"I've been exposed to so many professions," she said. "I'm keeping open."

Moulton has a bachelor's degree in historical restoration from the University of Iowa and an Iowa certificate to teach high school and junior high social studies.

Parkerson, a member of the Area Community Theater Inc. board of directors who likes to entertain and emcee at civic functions, said he hopes to meet with Moulton for a "crash course in what I'm supposed to do."

Parkerson does not know if he'll get a salary increase with his workload increase. He is also the city's emergency shelter coordinator.

Parkerson doesn't think the new job will cut into his civic involvement.

"It will probably involve a lot more, trying to tie it all in," he said.

Moulton stressed that despite her departure, "Main Street is here."

The city is about midway through its three-year contract with the state program.

Main Street is a project of the Texas Historical Commission that attempts to bring retail traffic back to downtown areas.

Moulton explained that the contracts are issued for three years because it takes at least that long to have any effect.

"It takes more than three years until it has been here to set roots and get people in the community comfortable with it," Moulton explained.

As a result, Moulton indicated that it would be unrealistic to expect an economic turnaround in a year and a half.

Still, Moulton said she has seen progress in three of the program's four goals.

Organization — Moulton said the Main Street project has strengthened the Pampa Downtown Business Association as well as ties with such other Pampa business sectors as the Pampa Mall, the Coronado Center and Hobart Street.

Promotion — Moulton said the downtown merchants are promoting their stores more and are getting together on such promotions as the last two summer Krazy Days fun fests and a "Weekend in Pampa" promotion in February.

Design — Moulton said down-

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town buildings have made such improvements as fixing their signs or putting up decorative awnings. She added that nostalgic street lamps and trees will soon be installed on downtown sidewalks.

As for the fourth Main Street goal — economic development — Moulton said that will be harder to reach.

Times are tough, she concluded.

But, she added, the Main Street project could not be expected to turn the economy around, especially in 18 months.

Main Street efforts to pick up the downtown retail district were dealt a blow with recent closings of J&M Family Shoes, Behrman's women's clothing store, Class Favorite ladies store, The Pair Tree shoe store and Images lingerie shop.

"We lost some darn good people," Moulton said. "They had valuable input into the project."

Downtown merchants praised the project — a noble effort, they conclude — and praised Moulton. But they criticized the timing.

Bill Hite, manager of Heard & Jones Drug, said the existence of the project may have helped attract "quality people" to such positions as the chamber of commerce director and school superintendent.

"It shows that we're a progressive community," Hite said. "And with the times the way they are, it's tough to do it ..."

"I don't think anyone could have come to us in tough times and turned it around," Hite said. "I'm glad we tried it."

Travis Lively, manager of Pampa Hardware, said the project has "made a lot more people aware of downtown businesses."

But, Lively said, the added promotion has not brought the customers in or pulled the customers from the "racket" chain stores.

As for Moulton, Lively said "she's done a good job in a terribly hard project."

John Sanders, owner of Sanders Sewing Center, said the project was a victim of "poor timing."

"It's a poor time to try to improve the front of your store," he said.

Sands Fabrics was one of the stores that had beaped up its appearance as part of the project. The store recently put a green striped awning around its corner entrance.

Said Sands Manager Janie Morris, "It was a good idea to fix it up."

Morris said the project goal, to get more people interested in downtown, would have been more successful if the economy had been better.

The fabric store manager added that Moulton has done a

good job.

"She works harder than anyone I know to get it done," Morris said.

Although Moulton was hired as Main Street Project director, she was also responsible for such other economic development programs as TEXCEL.

Moulton is currently awaiting tabulation of a consumer attitude survey that was sent to Pampa and area residents in mid-July.

The survey was designed to assist in researching area consumers' attitudes and shopping habits for the trade area. Moulton anticipates the information will be used by the Chamber of Commerce, local merchants and other groups to respond to consumer needs.

Jerry Johnson, professor of Marketing at Baylor University, is tabulating the results, and they should be available in mid-September. City Manager Hart said today.

As a result, Moulton did not have any surveys available to quote from Wednesday.

Moulton said she had ample and complimentary responses to the survey.

"The research team told me to expect 10 to 13 percent response. We got 22 percent response," Moulton said, adding that area towns such as Perryton have given the survey a good response.

"We have some from Oklahoma and Kansas trickling in," she said.

As for what has been said on the survey, Moulton said she will "let the report speak for itself."

She observed that people have offered positive responses to the survey.

"And I'm encouraged that many took the opportunity to pat Pampa on the back," she said. "In fact, one lady said the survey generated negative comments and that we should be positive."

"And they're putting in some optimistic options," she said. "One person suggested the retailers go to Amarillo and get their prices competitive."

"It really made them stop and think, 'Why am I in Pampa?'" she said.

The city sent out two surveys, one geared to Pampa residents, the other to people in outlying areas.

The Pampa survey asked such questions as where, other than Pampa, does one shop most frequently, and why; how often customers shop in downtown Pampa or at the other Pampa retail areas, and why; and what types of restaurants, businesses and types of entertainment are needed in Pampa.

Moulton said people in other cities have responded well to the surveys.

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Man arrested in Iranian weapons deal sting

MIDLAND (AP)—A self-proclaimed mercenary who said the Iranian government sent him to barter for \$2 million in stolen missile parts was snared in a county sheriff's international sting operation, officials say.

Victor Manuel Fonseca, 47, of Lisbon, Portugal, was arrested Wednesday while inspecting crates he believed contained parts for the sophisticated Hawk missile system, Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter said.

Fonseca, arrested in an airplane hangar in this West Texas city while opening crates labeled "oil-field equipment," remains in the Midland County Jail in lieu of \$500,000 bond and charged with organized criminal activity, Painter said.

The offense, a second-degree felony punishable by up to 20 years in state prison and a \$10,000 fine, is a violation of Texas law. The case will be presented to a grand jury later, Painter said.

Authorities had hoped to net other arrests and an Iranian plane that was to be sent for the stolen parts, but Fonseca insisted on inspecting his cargo before calling the plane.

And that was impossible: Eight crates that supposedly contained stolen radar tubes and spare parts actually had nothing but gravel-filled barrels inside.

"We had to bust him. We didn't have anything to show him," Painter said. "He was just a mule who was used."

Fonseca told undercover deputies he was sent to Midland by Achmed Kashani, who he described as an Iranian intelligence officer based in Madrid. He arrived in Midland Tuesday night with photographs of the parts to compare with the contents of the eight crates.

International arms dealer Mohammed Ali Hashemi told ABC's Night Line Wednesday night, however, that Kashani is not an Iranian government official and called the alleged arms deal "penny ante."

The scheme started when two arms dealers from Britain, one identified as Michael Aspin, contacted

Austin-based security consultants Ron Tucker and Gary Howard to set up the deal, Painter said.

Tucker and Howard are close friends of Painters' who have participated in U.S. Customs undercover operations in the past, the sheriff said.

After a meeting in London and several telephone conversations on untraceable telephone lines in Painter's office, Fonseca said he was to inspect the parts, then contact Kashani and arrange for a jet freighter to transport the parts to Lisbon, with him, Tucker and Howard aboard. From there, the jet was to fly to Tehran, where payment of \$2 million would be made to the two men.

Kashani had already deposited \$93,000 in a London bank account to secure a plane, Painter said. The case has been in the works for nearly six months, said Painter, who acknowledged that West Texas is an unusual spot for international arms deals.

"I think it indicates the desperation that they have to get this type of equipment into Iran," he said. "They're looking anywhere they can to try to buy it."

"They were told this is a remote area, close to the Mexican border, and that we could get the stuff into Mexico, fly it out or do whatever they wanted with it," Painter said. "It was a ruse we used."

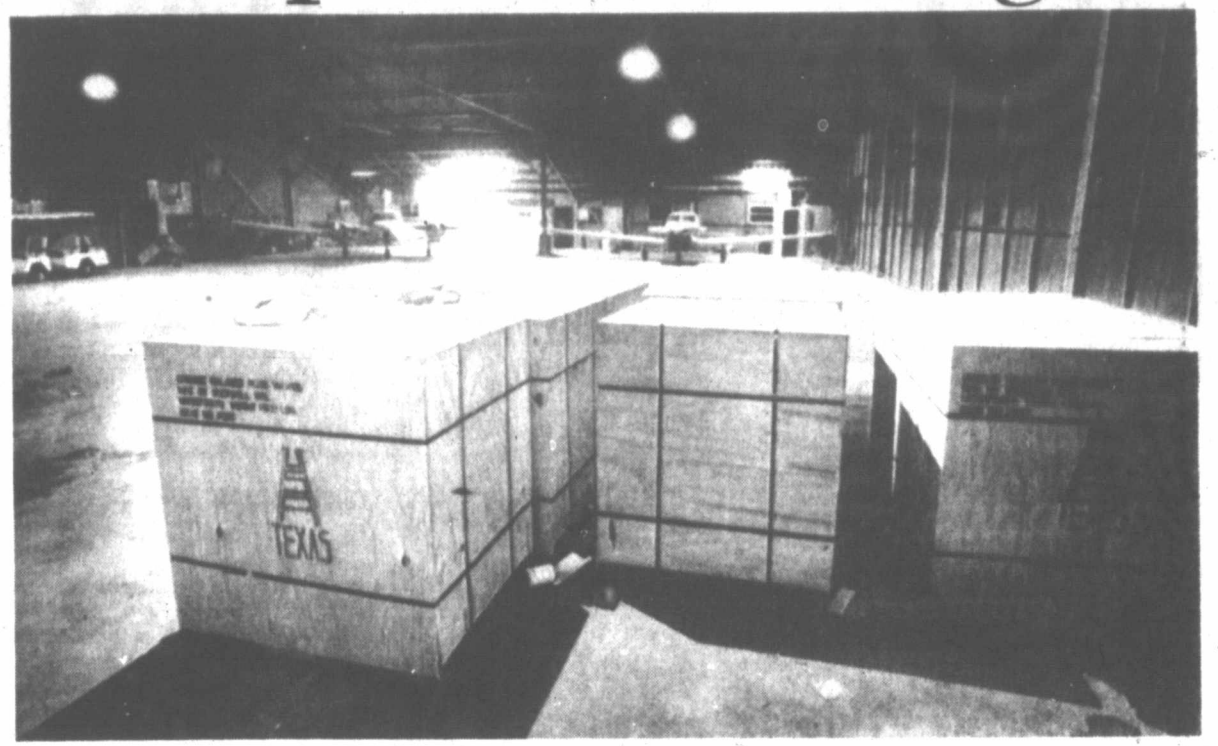
The sheriff said he expects Iranians to continue efforts to get arms illegally in the United States, but said he doesn't expect to hear of them again in West Texas.

"I hope they got the message not to mess around with Texas," he said.

A U.S. Customs spokesman told ABC News that his agency didn't know about the sting and called the operation "highly unusual and highly questionable."

Painter responded by asking, "How can you question success?"

In Houston, U.S. Customs spokesman Charles Conroy said he had heard about the sting but did not know enough about it to comment. Although Customs officials generally are involved in that



(AP Laserphoto)

Crates filled with rocks used in sting.

kind of operation, Conroy said he knew of no such involvement in this case.

"They have no authority to enforce federal law unless they were deputized," Conroy said, referring to arms-export laws.

ABC News broke the story Wednesday night because Howard and Tucker had met with network officials in Washington earlier this summer to arrange for a television crew to tape the sting's culmination, Painter said.

Painter had complained last week that federal authorities had ignored information he provided them a year ago about alleged terrorist training camps in Mexico.

In return for the information, he said all he got was a warning from the FBI that he might have broken federal laws by gathering intelligence outside the country.

Painter, however, said he felt he had done nothing wrong.

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Drill

superintendent from Berger, said he was pleased about Wednesday's drill with CAER and added that it will become an annual event. He said the company and group may work toward having more than one cooperative drill a year.

Pampa Fire Department Assistant Fire Chief Ray Fisher said he has "nothing but praise for Phillips in getting this thing going... it shows they really care for their people." He said it is an excellent example of industry showing its willingness for cooperating in developing emergency response programs.

Though it was a "small" drill, the event directly involved about 20 people at the scene, not counting plant personnel who were watching the activities while they went about their work. Also involved were personnel in Pampa's Emergency Operations Center at City Hall who relayed and recorded information about the drill.

Phillips had four men at the scene, one of the storage tanks south of the station's office located 7 miles west of Pampa on U.S. Highway 60 and 1 mile north. In addition, one man watched the gate to direct the emergency vehicles to the tank, one woman was in the office to handle the related telephone calls and transmitter messages, and Barham and Jones were participating as observers.

The Pampa Fire Department had 10 men in four units, including two firetrucks. Deputy Police Chief Jess Wallace and Gray County Chief Deputy Ken Kieth were also on hand to help man the

command post and direct activities. Hoesch Celanese Chemical Co.'s Pampa Facility also had a couple of men over from just down the highway to help out.

While not directly participating, three local companies also were involved in the drill. Fisher said Chase Oil Field Service, Triangle Well Servicing Co. and B&L Tank Trucks Welding and Roustabout were contacted during the drill. Though the drill was only a simulated action Wednesday, Fisher said the three companies would have sent trucks in relays to the scene in an actual situation to haul water for use by the firetrucks.

The drill was initiated at 2 p.m. when office worker Charity Harris called the city emergency services to report the fire at the crude oil storage tank. Other office personnel then began their procedures, calling in crews from the field and the plant site. By 2:05 p.m. all the station's crews and on-site contractors were gathered in the office for instructions.

One man was sent to the station's main gate to prepare to direct emergency vehicles to the route back to the tank and to keep unnecessary persons from gaining entrance.

By 2:20 p.m. Capt. Don Rose of the Fire Department had arrived, with Fisher arriving shortly afterwards. Fisher took direction of operations command, with Rose directing the actual fire-fighting situation. At 2:23 p.m. the first firetruck arrived, with Wallace close behind. By 2:33 p.m. the second firetruck was on the scene, with Wallace manning the command post to relay information to the city's EOC over the civil defense frequency. The

firefighters were using the Fire Department's frequency.

There was no actual fire, but the personnel conducted the drill as realistically as the situation permitted, setting the equipment in place, determining elements that needed attention and analyzing proper responses.

By 2:57 p.m. the "fire" was under control, and the drill was terminated at 3 p.m. There were no injuries or fatalities.

Fisher said there was "a lot of simulation" but the response times worked well and good emergency procedures were followed.

Barham said no Phillips equipment was called in from outside the station since Fisher had decided there was no need to request such assistance. He noted that Phillips has equipment it could have sent in from Berger "if the situation had worsened."

Jones said in a real disaster the situation would have been monitored to determine the potential danger from the hydrogen sulfide. But with the bezy south wind blowing Wednesday afternoon, the fumes probably would have dissipated within 100 feet from the tank, not requiring evacuation of plant personnel from the station site to the north. Also, the fire's heat would have changed the poisonous gas to sulfur dioxide, with most of it remaining inside the tank.

Barham said he was pleased with the drill and the response times, along with the precautions taken to ensure safety of property and lives in the area.

All agreed the cooperative drill was beneficial and indicated they hope to see more such drills in the future.

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City

venues declining in the past two years.

McDaniel noted that even with the spending cuts, the city intends to proceed with such programs as continued tree replacements and maintenance in the city parks, purchase of equipment for the Parks Department, continued replacement of equipment needed in other departments, and support of Clean Pampa Inc. and the Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

Hart complimented the department heads for their input in preparing the budget and in their contributions to holding down expenses.

Commissioner Richard Peet said the budget represents "a team effort of the complete city staff."

The public hearing on the budget will be held during the commission's Tuesday meeting. Commissioners expect to vote on the budget and tax rate at the Sept. 8 and Sept. 22 meetings.

Sales tax revenues for the 1987-1988 fiscal year are budgeted at \$1,195,000, down from the \$1.4 million budgeted in the current fiscal year. According to the latest monthly report from the state comptroller, Pampa has received only \$799,084 for its 1 percent city sales tax from sales through June, down 18.49 percent from the \$980,371 earned at this time in 1986.

Though the property tax rate

would remain the same, an increase in the appraised value of properties in the city by the Gray County Appraisal District is expected to bring in about \$25,000 in additional property taxes in the coming year. The city has budgeted about \$1.91 million in property taxes, up from the \$1.89 million included in the current budget.

Decreases are projected in revenues from delinquent taxes, penalty and interest, gas and electric utilities, mixed beverage tax, service charges, governmental grants, and licenses and permits. An increase is projected in television cable utility and banking revenue taxes, with solid waste management and water and wastewater utility revenues expected to remain about the same.

Nearly every area will see some budget cutbacks in the coming year. The only area showing an increase on paper is administrative services. But Hart explained that is because Finance Director Frank Smith, also serving as assistant city manager, and Safety Officer J.D. Laramore will be moved into that area, with their expenditures being included in totals. Smith's shift from the Financial Services area will cause a decrease in that area's budgeted expenditures.

There will be some other departmental changes. The office of Pampa Main Street coordinator, currently held by Lyn Moulton, will be eliminated, with M.K. Brown Auditorium Manager

Danny Parkerson assuming the Main Street chores. (See related article.)

Also, a Fire Prevention Department and Fire Suppression Department will be formed, separating activities in the current Fire Department set-up. The city fire marshals will be in the Fire Prevention section, with Fire Suppression relating to the Fire Department's firefighting efforts. But the changes will result in a net cutback for total operating expenditures.

"The one thing I hate most about the budget is having to freeze salaries," Hart said, noting that the freeze also applies to his own salary. He said the salary freeze is unfair to some who really deserve and need a pay raise, but the current economic situation just won't permit a pay increase at this time.

But there is one bright spot. "The swimming pool will be heated next year," Hart said, adding that the funds are included in the new budget. The city eliminated the heating of the pool this summer because of the decline in sales tax revenues resulting in budget cutbacks at mid-year. Re-evaluation of the heating expense, however, indicates the cost is not as high as had been projected, Hart explained, adding that it costs only about \$3,300 to keep the pool heated.

Hart and the commissioners noted there are several major points to make about the coming budget and what it will still accomplish:

- Expenses are being held at or below those in prior years.
- The tree replacement program will continue.
- There will be continued emphasis on capital outlay to purchase new vehicles, though at a decreased rate from the past couple of years.
- There will be an emphasis on new equipment and better equipment maintenance for the Parks Department.
- Staffing levels and salaries are generally being frozen at current levels.

■ The budget permits a buildup of reserve funds, with projected incomes of approximately \$9.41 million allowing about \$180,000 to go into surplus funds.

■ The balanced budget still allows for future progress from past flexibility that has been built into city operations.

■ Funds are still available to aid economic development programs through the TEXCEL and Main Street programs and through programs in conjunction with the M.K. Brown Auditorium and the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

Hart said city spending in the next fiscal year will be less than in the current year and probably even less than in the 1984-1985 fiscal year. City spending has dropped by more than \$1 million since Hart took over the city manager's post in early 1985.

"I'm really proud of that," the city manager said.

Investigators: Tax procedures caused fatal training accident

AUSTIN (AP) — A 582-page report concludes that tanks and observers weren't in the proper position for firing exercises the night a National Guardsman was killed at Fort Hood.

"Apparently, the layout had been disregarded or lost and therefore they winged it," Maj. Ed Komandosky, chief spokesman for the Texas National Guard, said Wednesday.

Sgt. James Smetzer of San Angelo was killed June 24 and six other crewmen were wounded by shrapnel when the searchlight on their M-60 tank was hit by fire from another tank.

A witness' statement in the report said Smetzer was lying on the deck of one tank and possibly trying to take a nap when the shell struck.

"Jim was so tired he laid down," Staff Sgt. Don Hill, commander of the searchlight tank, told the board. "I was going forward to get him. As I reached down to get him up the shell hit. I don't know what happened then. I woke up on the ground."

What happened, the report said, was that one tank swung too far to its left and mistakenly fired a shell at a companion tank that was illuminating the firing range.

Among its findings, a review board of National Guard officers and enlisted men reported:

- The night range officer in charge had never had such an assignment and discarded an approved "range safety overlay" that should have been used to position the tanks participating in the offensive attack maneuver.
- The firing tank was 300 yards from its approved position when it fired.
- The markers physically denoting the left and right limits of the firing range were either not in place or not illuminated during the drill.
- The review board also found:
 - Officers in a control tower not quite a mile away were not observing the firing tank and may not have been able to see the firing line or impact area but had not reported the problem.
 - Failure to fire at a target within a specified time results in no points for the engagement.
 - "placing incentives on the crew to fire a round down range regardless of proper engagement procedures."
 - The panel recommended changes in procedure, and training to improve safety conditions but said no one should be held liable for the accident.
- "Nobody's going to go to jail, be reduced (in rank) or fined or whatever," said Komandosky.

Mattox expecting SMU investigation papers

DALLAS (AP) — The Texas Attorney General's office is expecting to receive information soon from an investigation conducted by a panel of bishops who probed the Southern Methodist University football scandal.

But a spokesman for the panel says nothing has been resolved in the controversy over whether the information will be turned over and negotiations are continuing.

"We're just sitting back waiting patiently for the information," said Ron Dusek, a spokesman for Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox. "I'm talking about all the information we requested."

The Rev. Spurgeon Dunn III, however, disagreed.

"A blanket request is not going to be honored," Dunnam told the Dallas Times Herald Wednesday.

The attorney general has requested investigative documents from SMU and the four-member bishop's committee that conducted a probe into the play-for-pay scandal that resulted in suspension of the football program at the Southwest Conference school.

The investigation by Mattox apparently centers around \$860,000 being paid to former Athletic Director Bob Hitch, former football coach Bobby Collins and former Assistant Athletic Director Henry Lee Parker when they resigned as the scandal developed.

Fire sweeps through Texas boat company

ATHENS, Texas (AP) — Three Athens firefighters were overcome by smoke as they and firemen from 11 neighboring cities battled a blaze that swept through a fiberglass boat manufacturing firm, officials said.

The blaze, which began about 8:20 p.m. Wednesday at Phantom Marine Industries, caused an estimated \$1 million in damage, Phantom president Fred Brooks said. Its origin was not immediately known.

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Opinion

Competition drives modern technology

A few days ago the rage was something called "industrial policy," a term that covered a multitude of sinful notions revolving around a core of direct government involvement — picking winners and losers, directing investment, promoting high technology — in the economy.

President Reagan, who may have led the league in rhetorical denunciations of industrial policy, seems to have picked up the discredited idea in concrete policy proposals.

At a recent conference on superconductivity, the president unveiled an 11-point plan to have government "guide" and "encourage" this new technology. This plan would almost guarantee that the United States will lag behind other industrialized nations in taking advantage of superconductivity.

Superconductors are materials that can carry electricity with no resistance; before last year, superconductivity seemed possible only at super-cold temperatures — 425 degrees below zero — which were expensive to maintain. But researchers have recently achieved superconductivity at higher temperatures, and most experts in the field expect more progress. This could mean even faster and smaller computers, new medical-imaging devices, sensors, perhaps high-speed trains that levitate slightly above the tracks — and more that we haven't begun to dream. Superconductivity could have more practical consequences than semiconductors.

So what does our free-enterprise president want to do? Increase Defense Department spending on research, while limiting access to the results of the research. Establish three new National Superconductivity Research Centers. Ease anti-trust legislation so large corporations can cooperate on joint research. And appoint three "Wise Men" to advise the White House Science Council on research and commercialization policies.

Reagan's proposal is wrongheaded at every turn. The Defense Department is notorious for long lead times, being behind the state of the art, and for being unnecessarily secretive. Most technological revolutions are led not by large corporations but by small companies and maverick entrepreneurs. The last thing a new technology needs is a group of federal "wise men" to affect the allocation of research and development funds.

Somehow, this country managed to make a few transitions — from whale oil to petroleum, from buggies to automobiles, from vacuum tubes to transistors, from transistors to microchips — without federal dictation. In fact, those transitions occurred efficiently — and helped to establish U.S. economic dominance — precisely because they were handled through the marketplace rather than by government bureaucracies.

The marketplace is far and away the most effective and subtle human institution available to process and use information and knowledge for practical purposes.

Open competition rather than government guidance is the most efficient way to guide research and development decisions for emerging technologies.

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Treaty cements Sandinista grip

The peace accord signed by five Central American nations is a triumph of hope over experience. It is designed to exploit the American public's hope that the region's problems can be solved without unpleasantness of any sort, particularly the sort requiring force or greater U.S. involvement.

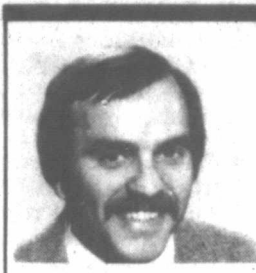
The treaty is as futile as the hope, though probably much shorter-lived. Its main achievement will be to guarantee the survival of a Soviet-backed dictatorship in Nicaragua. Its chief value is to allow the United States to gracefully conceal its retreat from Central America. Like the treaty that "ended" the Vietnam war, this one has the attraction of providing a decent interval between our abandonment of a friend and the inevitable nasty consequences that follow.

The Reagan administration, which had offered a somewhat better plan of its own, quickly found itself pre-empted by Nicaragua's neighbors. It has little choice but to cooperate. Spurning the treaty would only confirm Congress' resistance to renewing aid to the Contras. Given a choice between 1) no contra aid without a peace plan and 2) no contra aid with a peace plan, the administration will understandably choose the latter.

It's easy to see why the Sandinistas were eager to sign the agreement. They would gain several things: A cease-fire in a growing rebellion, an end to American aid to the rebels, an easing of economic troubles, the right to keep getting economic and military help from the Soviet bloc.

What do they lose? Not much. The treaty obliges them to relax their tight constraints on internal dissent and allow the opposition to compete in elections. But don't expect to see Daniel Ortega voted out of office.

As several diplomats close to the negotiations



Stephen Chapman

told *The New York Times*, the point is to move Nicaragua away from the communist model and toward the Mexican model — "a one-party state in which the opposition plays a major role," as a Salvadoran official put it. In exchange for tolerating a measure of pluralism, the Sandinistas would be free to cement their hold on power.

It's not likely the treaty will achieve even this modest ambition. All the Sandinistas have to do is abide by the accord for a year or two, long enough to allow the contras to wither on the vine. The rebels will be deprived of their outside support and their bases outside Nicaragua, existing at the sufferance of the biggest military machine in Central American history. The Sandinistas, meanwhile, will continue to be supported by their patrons in Havana and Moscow. They will grow stronger as the contras grow weaker.

When the time is right, the Sandinistas will be free to crush their internal opposition and defy their neighbors. Nothing in the treaty will stop them. There are no penalties for violations, and even if there were, there is no one with the authority or the stomach to exact them.

The other four signatories — Honduras, Costa Rica, El Salvador and Guatemala — are no match for Nicaragua. Costa Rica, whose presi-

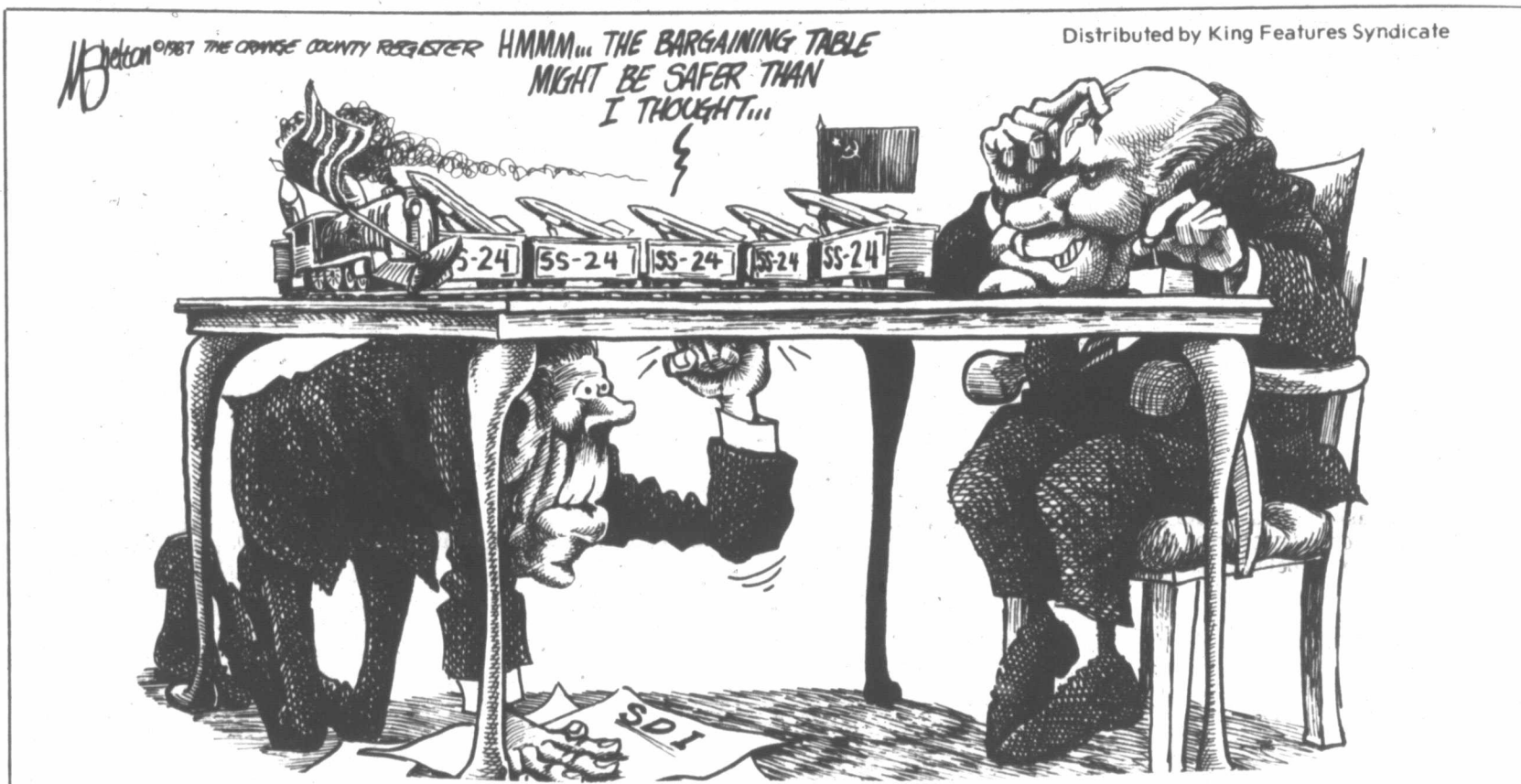
dent drafted the accord, doesn't even have an army. No multilateral body, whether the Organization of American States or the United Nations, is going to impose its will by force on the Sandinistas. Try to imagine Venezuelan troops landing in Nicaragua to defend *La Prensa's* right to publish.

The only instrument for enforcing the treaty is the U.S. military. But the whole point of this agreement is to assure the American people that there is no danger in Central America worthy of their concern. If Congress isn't willing to combat the emergence of a Soviet satellite by supporting the Contras now, it won't be willing to do so by sending American troops later. The Sandinistas' delay in completing their journey to totalitarianism is interpreted as proof that no American action is needed. When they reach their destination, we will be told that no American action is possible.

The leaders of the other four Central American countries probably have few illusions about what is happening in Nicaragua. Certainly the people don't. A recent poll conducted by an affiliate of the Gallup organization found huge majorities preferring the Contras to the Sandinistas. But the leaders also have no illusions about the United States' willingness to make sacrifices for its long-run security.

Weak nations with strong, aggressive neighbors have few options. By negotiating with the Sandinistas, these countries most likely hope to buy time for themselves. They may even imagine that if the treaty collapses, the United States will be shocked into strong action.

If so, they are mistaken. From the American point of view, the appeal of this treaty is that it promises rewards for doing nothing. The habit of doing nothing in Central America, once acquired, will be hard to break.



Deuce has no fear of pit bulls

Pit bull dogs frighten us, and they should. They attack other dogs; they attack small children. They kill, and they maim.

I don't know if pit bulls are that ferocious by nature or if their owners train them to be aggressive, for the purpose of protection or fighting in the pit for the pleasure of a group of sickies.

Then, we come to Black Labs. I have one. He nearly chewed my house to its foundation when he was a puppy, but I've never known a more loving and loyal pet.

He is constantly by my side, especially if I happen to be eating. He sleeps at the foot of my bed and always lets me know, with a barrage of loud barks, at six in the morning, that the garbage man has arrived on time. He wouldn't hurt anything but an old shoe.

But this isn't about my Lab. This is about my friend's, a male named Deuce. I should begin by telling you that Deuce is a lover.

"We don't have any idea how many puppies he has fathered over the years," said my friend, "but it may be reaching three figures."

The wife in this instance has considered having Deuce's lover days ended, but the husband holds out. "I just couldn't do that to old Deuce," he said. "He's got a reputation to uphold."



Lewis Grizzard

There's this man across town who happens to be a collector for the IRS, and he has a female pit bull.

When his pit bull got into the mood recently, the man locked his dog inside a fence, figuring male dogs couldn't get over the fence — and what male dog in his right mind would go after a female pit bull in the first place.

Although my friend lives several miles from the man with the pit bull, old Deuce came calling.

The male of any species will go to unusual lengths to satisfy nature's beckoning. Deuce, unafraid, despite the many recent reports of pit

bull attacks, scaled a 6-foot-high fence and had his way with the pit bull.

My friends got a call from the pit bull's owner. He was quite angry.

"I told the man," the husband explained, "that as mean as pit bulls are, if she hadn't wanted Deuce as a lover, she certainly would have let him know."

The man took his pit bull to the vet, who put off the possibility of any more of Deuce's offspring for the time being.

He also built a higher fence. It wasn't long, however, until Deuce came calling again, scaled that fence and the rest will be history in a few weeks.

The pit bull's owner gave up, figuring Deuce's courage, cunning and drive would overcome any subsequent method he used to protect his dog.

"Last thing you want to be involved with," said my friend, "is an IRS collector with a pit bull, but we're anxious to see what you can get when you cross a pit bull with a Black Lab."

Maybe you get a pit bull that would much prefer to chew on an old shoe and make love than kill and maim other dogs and people.

If that is the case, just remember we have old Deuce to thank for it.

Polluted sites spoil Alaska's wilderness

By Robert Walters

GUSTAVUS, Alaska (NEA) — About two dozen bent, punctured and rusted oil drums extracted from beneath the earth's surface are piled behind the post office in this community at the gateway to famed Glacier Bay.

Partially covered by sandy soil, the 55-gallon drums are ringed by plastic sheeting. A purple-brown liquid oozes from the pile at several points. As many as 500 to 1,000 additional barrels are believed to be still buried here.

Nobody is certain what they hold or whether their contents might endanger the children attending a public school only a few hundred feet away. The school's water is drawn from a well across the road from the site where the barrels were buried decades ago.

"As it stands now, there are no problems," says Bruce Tedsten, president of the Gustavus Community Association. Nevertheless, the state has started to regularly monitor the town's water supply.

Similar developments in other re-

mote communities throughout Alaska illustrate the pervasiveness of threats not only to the environment but also to the health and safety of the populace.

Alaska is an unlikely locale for pollution and contamination. Known for vast stretches of desolate tundra, dense forests and rugged mountains, it is sparsely populated and thinly industrialized.

But the ubiquity of such hazards is typified by the discovery last summer of elevated levels of arsenic and mercury — the byproduct of a gold processing operation decades earlier — at a playground in Nome.

Water quality in the state generally is superb, but severe localized pollution has been caused by oil and gas exploration and production, placer mining, timber harvesting, seafood processing and industrial activities.

Air quality also is generally high, but the state's two largest cities — Anchorage and Fairbanks — have been forced to implement rigorous programs to control motor vehicle emissions.

In Fairbanks, motorists sometimes leave their autos running while parked during the winter to keep them from freezing — a practice that produces "ice fog" laden with pollutants.

The transportation of crude oil from Alaska's North Slope has produced numerous oil spills. Early this year, a tanker chartered by the Standard Oil Co. accidentally dumped almost 1 million gallons of oil into the Gulf of Alaska when it became caught in a storm while 250 miles offshore.

Last month, another tanker chartered by Standard Oil spilled 125,000 gallons of crude oil into Cook Inlet only 65 miles southwest of Anchorage during the annual red salmon run.

Recent years have seen spills of polychlorinated biphenyls in the isolated village of Kake in the southeast panhandle and at Elmendorf Air Force Base just north of Anchorage.

In Kotzebue, 100,000 to 200,000 gallons of diesel fuel leaked from a defective storage tank into the basement of an elementary school. In the Anchorage suburb of Peters Creek, a

benzene leak contaminated wells supplying drinking water.

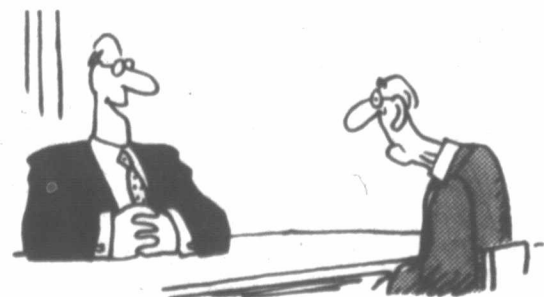
Since World War II, the country's military has mindlessly strewn chemical and biological warfare agents, insecticides and herbicides, radioactive materials, solvents, petroleum wastes and assorted other toxic or carcinogenic materials across the state.

Pollutants and contaminants are being belatedly discovered and removed at White Alice Communication System sites, Distant Early Warning Line stations and other military bases. Because of the lack of reliable data, the number of hazardous sites is variously estimated at between 40 and 400.

Gustavus may be one of those sites. The industrial drums were buried underground during the World War II construction of a military airfield. Until they are removed, nobody knows whether they contain inert petroleum wastes or more dangerous materials.

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CIA official revises account of involvement

WASHINGTON (AP) — A ranking CIA official, correcting his previous testimony, says he made a secret trip to South Africa in 1984 in which he was prepared to reject an apparent offer to aid the Nicaraguan Contra rebels.

Duane Clarridge, who in 1984 was director of the agency's covert support for the Contras, in previous closed-door testimony denied having discussed providing aid for the Contras with officials of a foreign government and said there was no discussion within the CIA of soliciting funds from other countries.

Clarridge's revised account came in testimony released Wednesday by the congressional Iran-Contra committees. The transcript also shows that commit-

tee members sharply questioned Clarridge's memory when he insisted he did not know weapons were included in a November 1985 cargo shipment he helped arrange from Israel to Iran.

Clarridge said he was told the cargo was oil-drilling parts, and he only learned later that it included U.S.-made Hawk missiles. Other witnesses have testified he received cables on the arms shipment as it was being arranged.

Another document released by the committees contradicts statements by Vice President George Bush about the Iran-Contra affair. The Washington Post reported today. It said retired CIA agent Felix I. Rodriguez is quoted in a report as having said in February 1985

his "primary commitment" during a mission to Central America was to help the Contras.

Rodriguez had been sent to El Salvador with assistance from Bush's office, and the vice president has insisted that Rodriguez' principal mission was to help that country's air force, not to aid the Contras.

Clarridge made the South African trip on orders from the late CIA Director William J. Casey after Congress had banned further U.S. military aid to the Contras and administration officials considered other ways to sustain the rebel forces.

According to the transcript of his pri-

vate Aug. 4 testimony before the House and Senate Iran-Contra committees, Clarridge said he learned once he was in South Africa that it was not prepared to help the Contras.

Instead, he said, it wanted to provide training and equipment to two still unidentified Central American nations for pay.

He said he had orders to reject any order of South African aid should one be made.

However, The New York Times reported today that Casey and Secretary of State George P. Shultz had earlier expressed approval for such South African help. The Times said that in a March 1984 memo to then-national

security adviser Robert C. McFarlane, Casey listed South Africa as a possible source of equipment and material. It also quoted an April 1984 CIA cable as saying "SecState (Shultz) has been briefed on the initiative and approved."

Clarridge referred to a trip he made to an unidentified country in April 1984. The name of the country is blacked out in the transcript, but it was learned that Clarridge's destination was South Africa.

Administration officials have acknowledged soliciting aid for the Contras from several countries but also have said there were certain countries that were not solicited for political reasons.

Laos will account for three MIAs

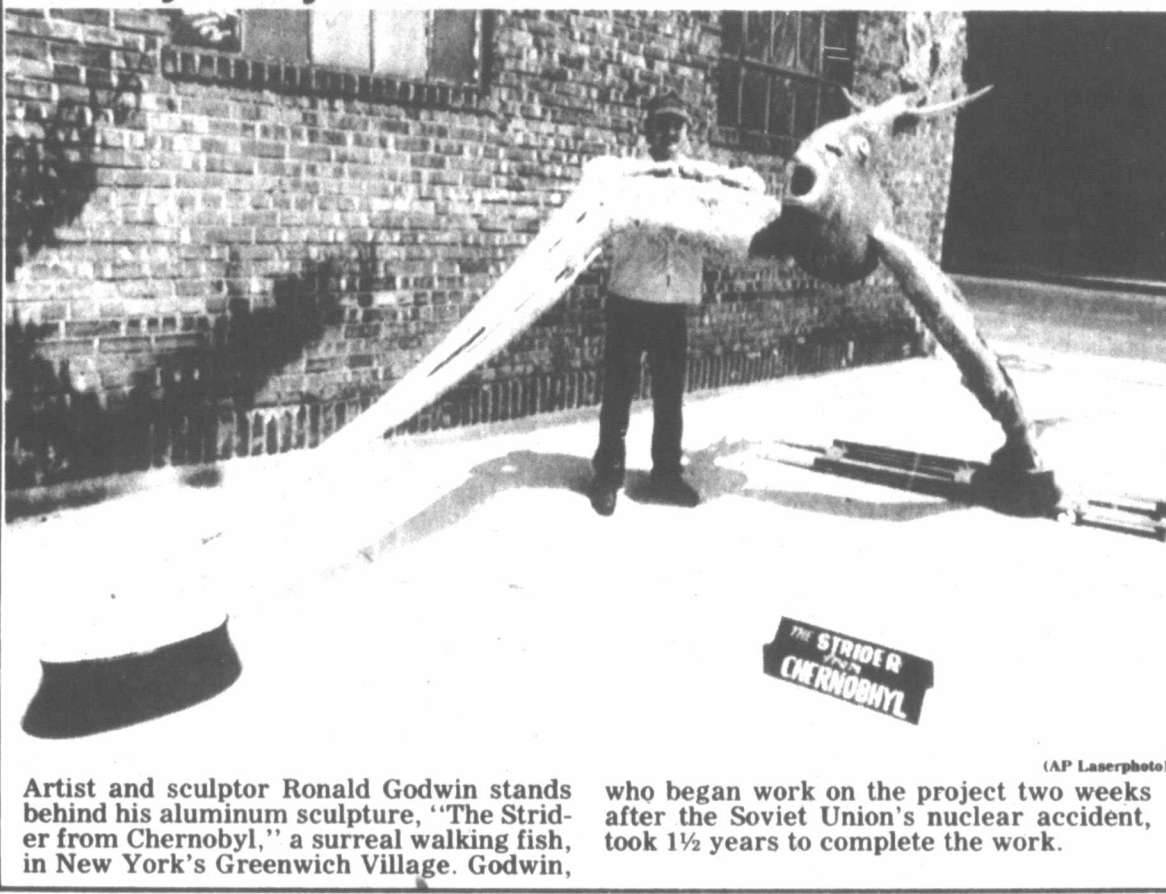
WASHINGTON (AP) — The Laotian government has agreed to account for three Americans who failed to emerge from captivity after the Indochina War, sources familiar with recent negotiations say.

The Laotians also appear to be willing to survey one of a number of sites where U.S. aircraft crashed during the war, to check for remains of some of the 549 Americans still listed as missing in Laos, the sources said.

The two governments announced after an Aug. 10-11 meeting in Vientiane that Laos agreed to resume cooperation with the United States on the issue of the missing Americans, but the announcement did not include specifics.

Laos, which traditionally has taken its cues from Vietnam on whether to help the United States resolve missing serviceman cases, had for the previous 18 months joined Vietnam in refusing to follow through on previous promises to be helpful.

A fishy story



Artist and sculptor Ronald Godwin stands behind his aluminum sculpture, "The Strider from Chernobyl," a surreal walking fish, in New York's Greenwich Village. Godwin, who began work on the project two weeks after the Soviet Union's nuclear accident, took 1½ years to complete the work.

U.S. will return ambassador to Syria

WASHINGTON (AP) — The next step in improving U.S. relations with Syria will be the return of Ambassador William Eagleton to Damascus, U.S. officials say, but the Reagan administration is trying to prevent the move from being seen as a reward for the freedom of hostage Charles Glass.

Two administration officials, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said Wednesday a decision to send the ambassador back around Sept. 1 was made before Glass gained his freedom in Beirut on Tuesday.

"We don't want Eagleton to be a reward for Glass," one official said. Some U.S. analysts are convinced the Syrians, at U.S. behest, put pressure on Iran, which it is helping in the Persian Gulf war with Iraq, to free Glass and eight other American hostages also believed to be held in the Lebanese capital.

In fact, the official said, the ambassador's return might be set back a little bit to separate it from Glass's liberation.

Despite the decision to send Eagleton back, Syria remains on the State Department's list of countries that sponsor terrorism. The others cited are Cuba, Iran, Libya and South Yemen.

The official said he knew of no consideration being given to removing Syria from the list.

Eagleton was withdrawn last fall to show strong U.S. disapproval of what American and British experts concluded was Syrian support for terrorism. High-level U.S. contacts with President Hafez Assad's government were banned by President Reagan, and a number of other diplomatic and economic sanctions were imposed.

But after Assad closed down the Damascus headquarters of Abu Nidal, a Palestinian extremist accused in the bombing of the Rome and Vienna airports in 1985 and a synagogue in Turkey in 1986, Reagan reversed his ban in June and sent U.N. Ambassador Vernon Wal-

ters to see Assad in July.

Walters talked to the Syrian leader about Glass and the other American hostages. After Glass's liberation — he said he escaped but U.S. officials are skeptical — Reagan administration spokesmen praised Syria "for its efforts to secure his freedom."

The praise was extended even while the spokesmen acknowledged they did not know how the television journalist got free after 62 days in captivity.

A Syrian official in Damascus said, meanwhile, that Walters had telephoned Assad and "expressed his deep gratitude and pleasure as to the results obtained by Syrian diplomacy in this field."

A U.S. official who worked on the Glass case, briefing a group of reporters Tuesday at the State Department on condition of anonymity, theorized that Syria had exerted pressure on Iran to free Glass.

Man with toy gun seizes control of TV newscast

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) — A man with a history of mental illness seized control of a live newscast by pointing a realistic toy pistol at TV reporter David Horowitz and demanding he read a statement about the CIA and space creatures.

Gary Stollman, 34, of Tallahassee, Fla., was booked for investigation of false imprisonment and disturbing the peace after Wednesday's brief takeover of KNBC-TV, said police Lt. Jay Farrand.

Horowitz and anchors Kirstie Wilde and John Beard were unharmed.

Stollman, taken to the jail ward at Los

Angeles County-USC Medical Center, was to undergo a mental evaluation, police Sgt. Joseph Latta said.

Almost as soon as Stollman appeared on camera at 4:42 p.m., toy gun in hand, news director Tom Capra ordered a blackout of Wednesday's newscast.

Horowitz read the man's statement during a nine-minute period in which KNBC broadcast a message asking its viewing audience to stand by.

"The reason we went to black is because we can't let people with guns or weapons of any kind take the station hostage," Capra told

reporters at a news conference.

The document Horowitz read was a rambling statement warning of a plot by the CIA and outer space "alien forces" against the U.S. government, and "possibly the human race itself."

The intruder used a type of toy that Horowitz has complained about repeatedly on his nationally syndicated consumer show, "Fight Back With David Horowitz."

Max Stollman, who formerly reported about pharmacy matters for KNBC news, said the arrested man is his son. "I do have a sick son," he said.

President Reagan signs bill limiting national park flights

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — President Reagan has signed into law legislation banning tourist flights below the rim of the Grand Canyon, a proposal his administration initially had resisted.

The bill, developed in response to the June 1986 collision of a tourist plane and a helicopter in which 25 people died, was signed by Reagan at his mountaintop

ranch, the White House press office announced Wednesday.

The legislation also requires the Interior Department and Federal Aviation Administration to work together on a plan that better defines how airspace over national parks may be used.

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Rifleman kills 14 people

HUNGERFORD, England (AP) — In a day of blood and fire, a man wearing combat clothes and carrying an assault rifle killed 14 people, including his mother, before committing suicide and leaving this quiet town in a state of shock.

Residents today huddled along the main street, staring at newspaper headlines and talking about Michael Ryan's rampage Wednesday, which began in a forest outside town and ended seven hours later in an empty school.

In the midst of it, the man neighbors described as a gun-loving loner and "oddball" went to the home he shared with his 60-year-old widowed mother, shot her to death, and set fire to the house.

"It is a complete mystery. We genuinely do not know why he did it," Thames Valley Police said today in a statement. They said Ryan, 27, left no note or explanation for the massacre, the worst such attack in modern British history.

"It's such a shock that such a thing can happen in a sleepy town like this," said Michael Moon, who runs a newspaper store. "I was saying to a fellow just now, you hear about these things in America, but you don't expect them on your doorstep."

About 25 people gathered at a town church to pray for the dead, and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher issued a statement from her London office saying she grieved with the families of the victims.

The dead included a policeman and a woman whose body was found in Savernake Forest, eight miles outside of town. Ryan is believed to have killed the woman as she and her two young children were having a picnic, then gone into Hungerford, a village of 8,000 about 60 miles west of London.

Fifteen people were injured. Fourteen were hospitalized today, two of them in critical condition. Eyewitnesses gave dramatic accounts.

"He was just strolling along the road shooting at anything that moved," said Barbara Morley.

Hazel Haslett and Linda Bright said they were the first ambulance crew on the scene. They credited their vehicle's windshield with saving their lives.

Mrs. Bright was cut by flying glass, but the two managed to rescue four people shot by Ryan.

"The gunman went into one house where there were two old people, and he blew them apart. Another man opened his door and he was shot in the leg," said Carl Harris, an off-duty soldier whose parents live in Hungerford.

Harris said Ryan wore a headband and what appeared to be "an American-style military jacket."

Police said the first word of the one-man crime wave came at 12:42 p.m. when Ryan drove into the Golden Arrow gas station, filled up his car's tank, and opened fire on the cashier. She was cut by flying glass but not badly hurt.

Ryan then went to the row house he shared with his 60-year-old mother Dorothy. He shot her, set the house on fire and left with his rifle, police said.

Firefighters could not get to the fire for fear of being shot, and the flames spread to adjoining property. Police, helicopters, squads of marksmen and ambulances rushed to the town.

Chief Constable Colin Smith of Thames Valley Police said the violence ended at 7:30 p.m. when officers surrounding an empty school where Ryan was holed up heard a single shot.

When they burst in, they found Ryan dead in a chair, a pistol in his hand.

Smith said police marksmen at no time opened fire.

Guytha Hunt said she'd lived next door to the Ryan family for 25 years. She described Ryan as "a real loner who went in for all sorts of guns which he had collected since he was a teen-ager."



An unidentified man covers taxi containing a victim.

(AP Laserphoto)

Iranian commandoes attack Yugoslav vessel in gulf

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — A Yugoslav vessel was attacked, boarded and searched by speedboat-borne Iranian commandoes in the Persian Gulf as a U.S. Navy-escorted convoy of Kuwaiti tankers approached the area, shipping sources said today.

They said the Birbir, a 7,478-ton container ship registered in Rijeka, Yugoslavia, was fired on from a powered dinghy about 4:30 p.m. local time Wednesday. The bullets pierced metal and broke glass in the mess hall, but did not injure anyone, they said.

The convoy reached the area, off the coast of Dubai, about four hours later, said the sources, who asked not to be identified.

The convoy was reported to have passed the halfway point of its 550-mile voyage to Kuwait, but there were also indications today that its progress could be slowed by bad weather.

At midday, British Independent Television News correspondent Brent Sadler, tracking the convoy in a chartered ship, said it was "off Bahrain and moving."

The raiders of the Yugoslav ship may have come from one of several small islands that Iranians have used in the past in similar attacks on gulf shipping.

The shipping sources said the Iranians apparently fired on the Birbir to force it to stop, then searched it, probably to determine if it was carrying car-

go for Iraq — Iran's enemy in the 7-year-old gulf war — or Kuwait, Iraq's ally.

It was the second such incident in the gulf region in recent days.

Worsening weather in the sector was threatening to impede the progress of the third convoy of U.S. warships and Kuwaiti tankers, gulf-based shipping sources said.

They said the exact whereabouts of the six-ship group and the helicopter carrier Guadalcanal were not clear.

Shipping sources said high winds and blowing desert sand over the gulf could restrict the operations of RH-53D Sea Stallion mine-sweeping helicopters aboard the assault carrier Guadal-

canal.

The three are among 11 Kuwaiti tankers slated to fly the Stars and Stripes and be provided with U.S. Navy escorts in the gulf. The purpose of the Reagan administration operation is to protect Kuwaiti vessels from attacks by Iran, which accuses Kuwait of supporting its enemy in the 7-year-old Iran-Iraq war.

Eight of the 11 Kuwaiti tankers have so far sailed north through the gulf. One of them, the supertanker Bridgeton, hit a mine July 24 on the first convoy and is waiting at Al-Ahmadi to begin its return trip.

Also at Al-Ahmadi are the three tankers that sailed in the second convoy. Only one of the 11 tankers, the gas

carrier Gas Prince, has completed a round trip through the gulf.

It was not clear whether the latest convoy stopped during the night, as the last one did, to avoid traveling in the dark through waters that might be infested with mines.

As with previous convoys, the Navy maintained strict security about the departure of the convoy from a staging area in the Gulf of Oman, just outside the Persian Gulf.

In Bahrain, officials wouldn't say when or where the body of an American killed in the crash of a Navy helicopter was found. The SH-3D Sea King chopper crashed when it came in too low for a landing on the deck of the USS LaSalle.

Glass says Syria moving to free hostages

LONDON (AP) — Charles Glass celebrated freedom with a party and a family stroll and said relatives of the 24 foreigners held hostage in Lebanon should be encouraged by pressure Syria is putting on their loved ones' captors.

The American journalist was reunited with his wife, Fiona, 39, and their five children earlier Wednesday, a day after fleeing his captors while they slept in an apartment building on the outskirts of Moslem west Beirut.

"I just want to be at home with my family," he told reporters. "Being at home is more than enough."

The Syrians have said Glass was permitted to escape because of their efforts. American officials have Syria may have pressured Iran to order the journalist's release.

Glass told reporters that a Syrian-arranged release may have been "politically possible" but he did not think it was the case since his guards had become harsher in recent weeks and they had not altered their routine.

The Glass family held a large private party Wednesday night at the journalist's 18th century house in London's Notting Hill district. His parents and sister flew in from Los Angeles for the reunion.

The journalist and his family also took a long stroll in London's Hyde Park.

"What could be more wonderful than having your son back," the journalist's father, Charles Glass Jr., of Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.

"He looks great; it's amazing. I was scared to death what I would see when I got here."

Glass, 36, who was held for 62 days by Lebanese Moslem gunmen, said he was not beaten or tortured during his ordeal.

He said he had no plans to return to Beirut and would stay home to write a travel book about the Middle East.

Satchel of jewels brought up from Titanic

PARIS (AP) — Divers plucked a battered valise containing a fortune in gems from the Titanic today, proving that some organic material has remained intact 75 years after the luxury liner sank, a salvage official said.

The leather valise, which did not bear a name, contained jewels, bank notes and coins, according to Robert Chappaz, the expedition leader.

Few details were released on the satchel's contents, and no estimate has been made for what jewels off the famed wreck would be

worth. But marine salvage experts have said that even a cup off the Titanic would be worth a fortune.

In a statement released in Paris before dawn today, Chappaz said the valise was not in good condition. But its existence indicated that some organic objects remained decades after the ship sank on April 14-15, 1912.

In addition to finding the satchel, divers aboard the high-tech minisub Nautilie retrieved a small safe believed to have been the assistant pursur's strongbox, the statement

said. The leather satchel, which was found during a routine survey of the stern section of the debris field, was opened and examined briefly, revealing the valuables and currency.

Chappaz repeated the expedition's claim that none of the artifacts would be sold to private individuals.

A full account of the satchel's contents was to be made after the object was transferred to a preservation laboratory in Paris run by the national utility, Electricite de France.

Seven Hyundai firms reopen, disputes continue at others

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Seven subsidiaries of Hyundai, the nation's biggest conglomerate, reopened today, but labor unrest kept hundreds of workplaces closed and led to violent clashes between strikers and police.

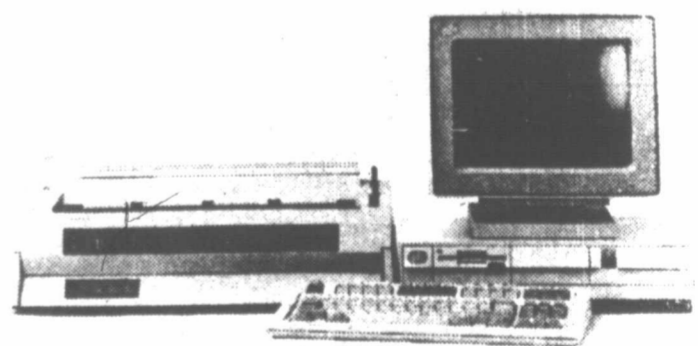
A Hyundai spokesman said 70,000 employees of the conglomerate's shipyard and six other firms in the southern industrial city of Ulsan returned to work today.

"Hyundai will revive and continue to develop. Our labor-management relations will be

strengthened, just like a ground becoming more solid after rain," he said.

The Hyundai strike was settled Tuesday after the government intervened for the first time in a month of nationwide labor unrest. Most workers had been locked out Monday.

The Hyundai Motor Co. planned to reopen assembly lines Friday after being forced to close two weeks ago for lack of parts, the spokesman said. Industry sources said the automotive giant had only enough parts to last a week.



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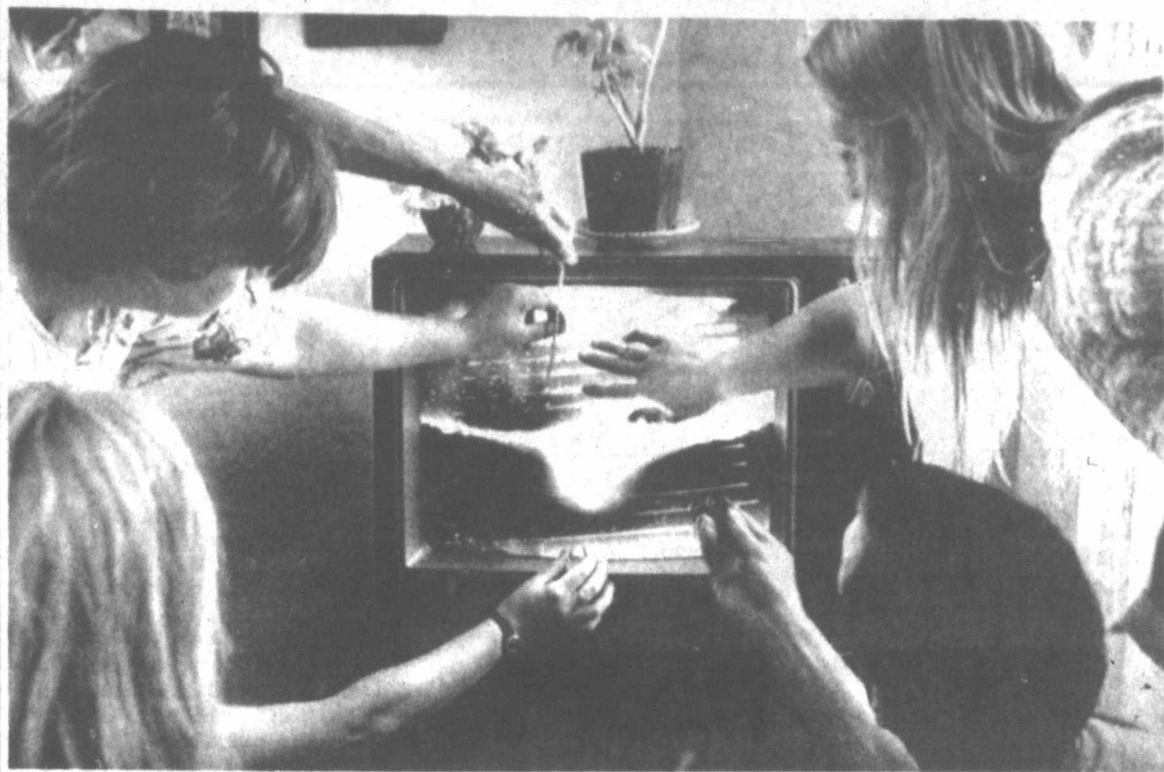
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TV angel or time for repair?



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Visitors hold jewelry to be blessed or reach out to touch the "angel" that appear on the television screen at Diane Boettcher's home in Mount Shasta City, Calif., Friday. Boettcher says the "angel" appeared when she tuned to the news for information on the Harmonic Convergence at ne by Mt. Shasta

and since then about 5,000 people have come to her house to see the image. However, an electronics store owner says the "angel" is actually a faulty television set and has duplicated the image on a set in his shop for anyone who wants to see it.

Mysterious auto price increases

By JOHN CUNNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — If you seek economic reasons to explain impending price increases for new automobiles, you'll find yourself frustrated. In fact, you'll find lots of reasons why such increases might not stick.

Among them: Questionable replacement demand, an oversold 1987 market, the ability of buyers to postpone purchases when budgets are pinched, limited wage increases among the buying public, high consumer debt, the new tax law.

True, there are some factors that suggest higher prices for domestic models could stick, chief of them being improved employment figures and the near certainty that foreign cars will cost more later this year and next.

But even this latter factor, forced on foreign car-makers by the lower value of the dollar, is muted by the growth of "transplants" or "implants," the factories of foreign companies now producing in the United States.

Perhaps the biggest question for the automakers is whether the market is out there.

Demand has weakened this year, leaving companies with unsold cars at the very time they are preparing to introduce the newer models, and forcing them once again to resort to interest rate cuts and rebates.

Many customers who might have been expected to buy cars this year were "incentivized" into buying last year, forcing sales above the market trend, or the anticipated demand based on factors such as car age and new households.

Judging from credit figures, a hefty percentage of the remaining market is made up of households that are watching pennies after several years of increasing spending at a faster rate than income gains.

Savings rates recently were under 3.5 percent of income, compared with a more normal 5 percent to 6 percent, and installment debt as a percentage of disposable income has run above 18 percent, a very high level, since 1984.

Faced with such pressures in the past, consumers have demonstrated their ability to withdraw from the automobile market. Most used cars that are traded in for new ones have years of life left. Buying, therefore, is postponable.

And then there's the tax law. In prior years, interest on consumer installment credit was fully deductible from federal income tax liability. This year 35 percent will be taxed. And the percentage rises to 60 next year.

Just how much of an impact this will have on purchase decisions is debatable, but one thing is certain: The impact will be negative, especially for those families already under stress from big bills.

Police arrest woman protesting appointment

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A longtime crusader against El Paso Electric Co. has discovered the limits of free speech at City Council meetings.

Thea Savage was arrested during a council meeting Tuesday after vigorously protesting a mayoral appointment.

"This never happened to me before. It was terrible," Ms. Savage said a few hours after the arrest. She said she filed a complaint with the FBI in which she accused the mayor of violating her civil rights.

Ms. Savage, 66, a perennial losing candidate for city and county offices, was not charged or jailed. She attended the council meeting to protest Mayor Jonathan Rogers' appointment of Joshua Kahn to the Fire and Police Pension Board.

She said at the meeting that Kahn should not be appointed because 46 years ago he notarized the signatures of two electric company officers on a proposal to extend the company's franchise for 30 years.

"What does that have to do with Mr. Kahn?"

Rogers asked.

Ms. Savage, who has complained about the franchise for years, said Kahn, 74, should not be named to any city board if he had a hand in the contract.

"You are insulting a gentleman who volunteered to serve the city, and I resent it very deeply," Rogers said. Ms. Savage apologized, and Rogers ordered her to sit down, adding, "as far as I'm concerned, you're out of order."

When Ms. Savage disagreed, Rogers warned her that she was disrupting the meeting through disorderly conduct and obstructing government — a class B misdemeanor.

She insisted that what she had to say was of public interest. Rogers told her she had been warned to stop, and that she would be arrested if she continued speaking.

"I don't know about that," Ms. Savage said. "Because we still have laws and we still have freedom of speech."

Insurance board chairman quitting

WACO, Texas (AP) — Lyndon Olson Jr. will take over as president of the National Group Corp. of Waco, a privately owned insurance holding company, upon his resignation as chairman of the Texas State Board of Insurance.

The National Group Corp. is headquartered in Waco and has assets totaling \$75 million, with projected 1987 premium writings of \$70 million.

Olson, 40, will also assume the duties of president and chief executive officer of the group's member companies which include American Bankers Insurance Co., American Insurance Co. of Texas, National Lloyds Insurance Co., Imperial Insurance Co. and National Group Management Corp.

Olson says he will be able to adjust from regulating to profit-making without much difficulty.

"I think it's going to be a very exciting time," he said. "The National Group is home-owned. The decision-making is fairly central. One of the things I've noticed over the years is that insurers today often are held by major holding companies of highly diversified interests, so I think it's fairly exciting to be associating myself with a real equity owner."

Olson's resignation as chairman of the Texas State Board of Insurance, effective Thursday, comes after a combined nine years of service under three different governors.

During his term, on the state board he was elected president of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

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'Empty spot' is gone, says man reunited with lost family

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — A man separated from his 10 siblings when they were given up by their destitute parents on the eve of the Depression embraced two sisters in a tearful reunion and said the "empty spot inside" is gone.

"It's been a long time," 62-year-old Ed Maddox said as he wrapped his arms around his sister Agnes Durand at an airport gate Wednesday on her arrival from Minneapolis. Another sister, Marie Peterson, arrived from Sacramento.

Except for a reunion with Marie and her twin sister, Lillian, when Maddox was a 17-year-old soldier leaving for World War II, Maddox hadn't seen or spoken to any of his siblings since he was 4.

His parents put their children up for adoption in 1929 rather than see them go hungry, according to newspaper accounts at the time, but Maddox didn't know that until he began looking into his roots this summer.

Reeling through microfilm of The (Oakland) Tribune, the 62-year-old Christian missionary from Sunland, near Los Angeles, was stunned to find a photograph of himself and two siblings in a front-page 1929 story.

News accounts of his search helped him account for five siblings earlier this month.

"All these years, I would visit my wife's relatives," said Maddox, blinking back tears Wednesday. "I would have an empty spot inside. But not any more, not any more."

The reunion at San Jose International Airport joined not only the siblings but about three dozen cousins and aunts and uncles, all meeting for the first time.

"When I was little I always wanted cousins," said Jeannie Noia, of Fremont, Agnes' daughter, who introduced her children to their second cousins.

Maddox, born Edmund Birdsel Bunan, was adopted by an Oakland streetcar motorman and his wife. He honored the couple's request that he not look into his past until his adoptive mother's death. She died in July.

The 1929 article described the plight of his parents, Agnes and Harry Bunan, itinerant farmworkers who arrived broke outside of Oakland and reluctantly gave their children away to strangers.

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Fall-winter fashions



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A model wears a bare-shouldered red tulip-shaped gold-trimmed short dress created by fashion designer Karl Lagerfeld for Chanel's fall-winter collection in Paris.



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Models show off Oscar de la Renta fashion for fall and winter in New York. At left, the model wears a black satin and velvet gown with a sheer chiffon top and a big black bow in the back. At right, the model wears a black and white striped satin gown, flounced at the shoulder line that flares out with a big black velvet bow.

'Sirius' talk about dog days of summer

By RITA CIPALLA
Smithsonian News Service

The dog days of summer are officially here. They arrived, unleashed in early August, when Sirius — the chief star in Canis Major, "The Big Dog," and the brightest star in the heavens next to the sun — rose together with the sun in the summer sky.

These are the days most of us dread — hot, steamy, ill-tempered days when nothing much happens and people drag around waiting for autumn's coolness.

Astronomy buffs know that the constellation Canis Major, which resembles a dog standing on its hind legs, follows at the heels of the hunter Orion in his journey across the sky; on sky charts, Sirius is often portrayed as the jewel in the dog's collar or the tip of his nose.

But, ironically, "man's best friend" — astronomically speaking — has gotten a bad reputation, according to James Sharp, chief of the Albert Einstein Planetarium at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C.

"Today, we almost unanimously use the term dog days in a negative way, but in ancient times, the advent of the 'dog days' and the rising of Sirius was a good omen. To the ancient Egyptians, the rising of the Dog Star signaled the coming of the Nile flood, a time to sow crops and to rejoice," Sharp said.

Historians of astronomy note that Sirius is the only star known with absolute certainty to appear in Egyptian records. Its hieroglyph, a dog, was often drawn on monuments and temple walls dating back to 3285 B.C. Some believe that the canine title originated in Egypt because of the star's watchful care over the interests of the farmer, giving him notice of the approaching Nile floods.

A few thousand years passed before Sirius began to be seen in a bad light. Both the ancient Greeks and Romans blamed the brilliance of the Dog Star for the sweltering heat and humidity of the midsummer sun and believed it to exert an evil influence on the health of those exposed to its burning rays. The name Sirius



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comes directly from a Greek word meaning sparkling or scorching.

References to Sirius' harmful influence abound in early poetry. In Homer's epic poem, the "Iliad," an enraged Achilles was first seen by Priam "as he sped across the plain, blazing as the star that cometh forth at harvest-time, and plain seen his ways shine forth amid the host of stars in the darkness of the night, the star whose name men call Orion's dog. Brightest of all is he, yet for an evil sign is he set, and bringeth much fever upon hapless men."

Hippocrates, the father of medicine, wrote in the fourth century B.C. of the star's power over the weather and its consequent physical effect upon humankind. Virgil, in his Latin epic, the "Aeneid," wrote, "The dogstar, that burning constellation, when

he brings drought and diseases on sickly mortals, rises and saddens the sky with inauspicious light."

Seventeen centuries later, Sirius was still doggedly being blamed for wreaking havoc. "The Dog-star rages!" Alexander Pope penned. "Nay 'tis past a doubt, All bedlam, or Parnassus, is let out."

The notion that heat from the Dog Star caused madness in dogs is said to have stemmed from the Greek poet Asclepiades in the third century B.C. But it was the Romans who coined the words "dies caniculariae" — dog days. Other Heavenly Phrases

The Romans also were responsible for another phrase derived from the heavens, this one from the constellation Gemini, or the Twins. The Gemini are depicted in ancient star maps as two hearty brothers, each with a bright star appearing around an

eye as a kind of monocle. These "eyes" are the stars Castor and Pollux.

In ancient times, the Greeks and Romans invoked the Gemini in times of trouble and in war. Homer's "Hymn to Castor and Pollux" refers to Greek sailors calling on the Twins to calm the seas:

"When wintry tempests o'er the savage sea
Are raging, and the sailors
Tremblingly
Call on the Twins of Jove with
prayer and vow."

"The Roman army used to swear their allegiance to the Gemini by calling out, 'By Gemini- ni!'" said Smithsonian Planetarium Chief Sharp. Today, we know the expression through its corrupted version — "By jiminy."

Modern-day sky-high patter has taken its cue from the moon as well as the stars. "The Latin word for moon is 'luna,'" Sharp said, "and the word 'lunatic' originally meant a person afflicted with the kind of insanity that occurred in cycles based on the changes of the moon."

The moon also gives us the expressions moon-struck, moon-raking (to pursue foolish thoughts) and moon-eyed, which once referred to an eye affected with occasional blindness timed to the cycles of the moon. And who can forget "once in a blue moon?"

"A 'blue moon' is the second full moon in a calendar month," Sharp said. "A full moon occurs every 29.6 days. Since most of our months have 30 or 31 days, once every few years we have a second full moon in the same month."

"However, I have yet to hear definitively where the color blue comes from," he said.

It's possible for moonlight to appear blue by passing through fine particulates, such as smoke, in the Earth's atmosphere.

"Nonetheless, my suspicion is that it has something to do with luck," Sharp said. The next blue moon occurs in May 1988.

Other popular sky expressions are "harvest moon" and "hunter's moon." The harvest moon is the full orange moon in October. "As the moon sets, it stays near the horizon longer," Sharp said. "This gives it a beautiful color and people tend to notice it more."

St. Anthony's offers hospice volunteer training program

St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center will conduct its semi-annual Volunteer Training Program Sept. 1-Nov. 3.

The class will be from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays in St. Anthony's Hospice Den, across NW 7th Street from the hospital.

Tuition for the 10-week class is \$20, payable at the first session.

The program is designed to train hospice volunteers and to offer general information on death and dying to the com-

munity. Program facilitators will discuss such topics as coping with death and dying, hospice as a means of support, patient care techniques and communication skills.

Continuing Education Units will be awarded through Amarillo College to all individuals completing the training program.

For more information, call Carol Knight at Hospice, 378-5037.

PCS conducts local election

Panhandle Community Services is conducting an election through Friday for a representative to the local Neighborhood Advisory Council. The person elected will serve a five-year term and will represent Pampans served by PCS.

Eblan Hernandez is on the ballot, and write-in candidates are accepted. Balloting is during business hours at Gray County Community Services offices, 322 S. Cuyler.

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Readers raise a racket over neighbors' whistling

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You suggested sending him something to wet his whistle. I suggest sending him a box of crackers each week, along with a picture of Whistler's mother, signed, "I love you, son, but you're driving me off my rocker!"

ROBIN READ,
ANAHEIM, CALIF.

DEAR ROBIN (a misnomer for someone who opposes chirping): Hear this from more vocally discordant readers:

DEAR ABBY: You put a real guilt trip on the lady who complained about a neighbor who whistled from morning to night. While I'm sure this happy, cheerful man is totally unaware that he's offending anyone, I think this should be a message to all of us who live within earshot of each other.

As much as I enjoy the beautiful chirping of birds in my yard, if one particular bird sat on my patio and chirped the same melody every day, all day long, I probably would be ready to gag him with a Band-Aid! The neighbor was not being unkind, Abby; she was simply saying that the same tune morning, noon and night, day in and day out,



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

was getting to her.
CHERE ATHERTON,
PHOENIX

DEAR ABBY: I have never disagreed so completely with you as on your advice to the lady whose neighbor whistles.

Are you mad? Just because the racket is not made with a tuba or a drum or family squabbles does not make it any less annoying! Oh, Lord, were you ever off the beam on this one.

STEAMED IN FRESNO

DEAR ABBY: Constant whistling, even if it's pleasant and in perfect tune, can be as much a form of noise pollution as those wind chimes and office hummers you have discussed in your column. Any sound, if it's constant and beyond one's power to control, can become a form of torture. The world is noisy. Give me some peace and quiet, at least in my own home!

BETTY ALBRIGHT,
SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR ABBY: I used to work with a man who walked up and down the halls whistling. How I hated it! I was never so glad to see anyone retire as I was when he did. Sure, there are worse things, but listening to continuous whistling is like a bug that swarms around your head. At first you try to ignore it until it becomes so irritating that all your energy and attention are focused on one thing — getting rid of the pest!

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DEAR ABBY: I have been engaged for four months, and have now come to realize that I am not in love with this girl. However, I don't know how to tell her. I know it will break her heart if I call it off between us, but I cannot live with her for the rest of my life. She's a fine person, but I don't love her.

Please tell me how to tell her. I truly need your advice. I can't sleep nights worrying about this dilemma.

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DEAR TOSSING: You expressed yourself very clearly to me. The fewer words the better. And the sooner, the better. Be kind. Be honest. Be firm. And begone.

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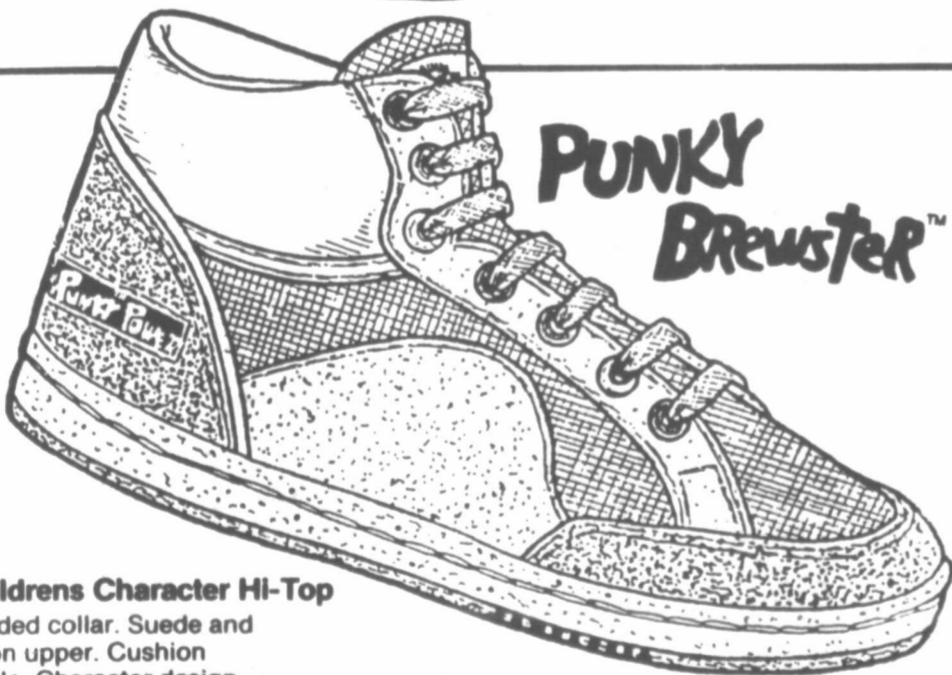
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ACROSS

- 1 Small organisms
- 4 Levis
- 9 Metric foot
- 10 Discharge
- 13 Orient
- 14 Roselike flower
- 15 Genus of rodents
- 16 Western hemisphere organization (abbr.)
- 17 Slippery
- 18 Carpenter's tool
- 20 Tortoise's rival
- 23 Winter sport
- 26 Dividing wall
- 30 Missile type (abbr.)
- 31 Demons
- 33 Gold (Sp.)
- 34 Mae West role
- 35 Acting award
- 36 Villain in "Othello"
- 37 fly
- 39 Required
- 41 Warm colors
- 43 Poetic preposition
- 44 Phrase of understanding (2 wds.)
- 47 Single thing
- 49 Sticky stuff
- 52 Unstable
- 55 Steel source
- 56 Actor Clint
- 57 Divorce capital
- 58 Kind of cloth
- 59 New Zealand parrot

DOWN

- 1 Actress Pitts
- 2 Excludable
- 3 Arab garment
- 4 Huckleberry Finn character
- 5 Language suffix

ACROSS

- 6 Snoozing
- 7 Cairo's river
- 8 Dirt
- 9 I think, therefore
- 10 Govt. agency
- 11 Crush
- 12 Negative answer
- 16 Possess
- 19 Goal
- 21 Colorado city (abbr.)
- 22 Thing in law
- 23 Soil deposit
- 24 Actor
- 25 Kristofferson
- 25 Scaffold
- 27 Somewhat (3 wds.)
- 28 Prod
- 29 State of feeling
- 32 Scale note
- 35 Full of (suff.)
- 36 Comparative suffix

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 38 Pact
- 40 Wide shoe size
- 42 By itself
- 44 I possess (cont.)
- 45 Rise in the air
- 46 Actress
- 48 Actor Sparks
- 50 Eugene O'Neill's daughter
- 51 Yoko
- 53 Couple
- 54 Atomic particle
- 55 Vex

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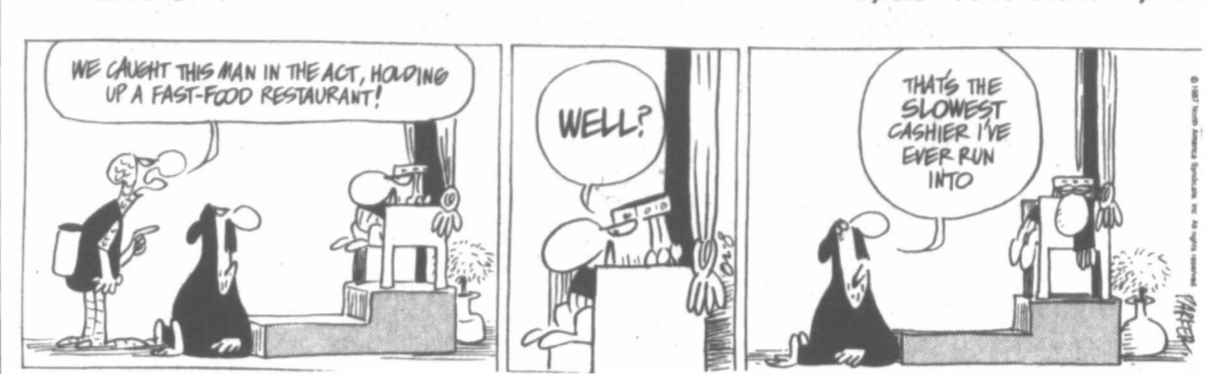
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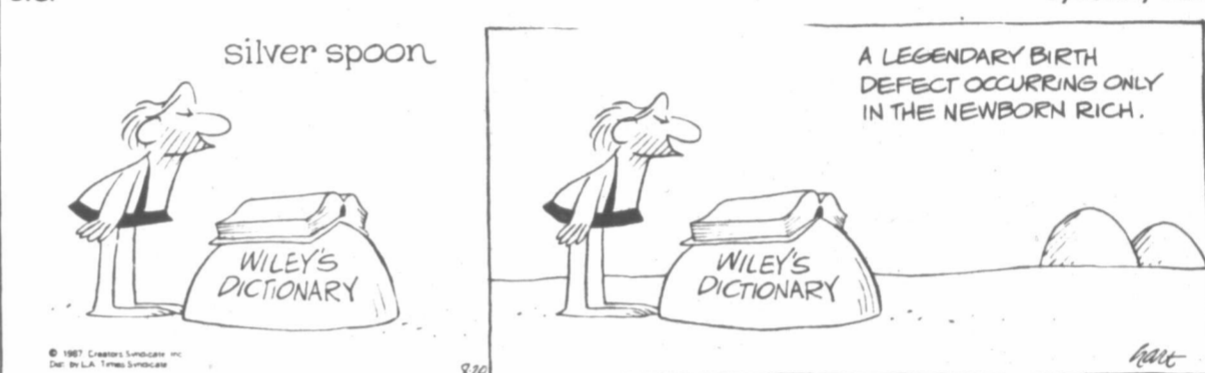
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Luck will play a prominent role in your affairs in the year ahead, just at the time you'll need it the most. People born under the signs of Sagittarius or Aries could also be fortunate for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't confuse wishful thinking with positive thinking today. There is a big difference. Positive thinking produces results; wishful thinking doesn't. Major changes are ahead for Leo in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Even though a close friend may disagree with you today, your pal is still entitled to his or her opinions. Don't make a big deal about it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Let practicality guide your behavior today. If not, there is a chance you may do something foolish opposed to your better judgment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You are innately independent and industrious. These are admirable qualities, but today you may attempt tasks that can't be accomplished without assistance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be fair and honest in your commercial affairs today, but don't give away the store. When you make a concession, be sure you get something in return.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't be wishy-washy today if you are placed in a position where a firm stance is required. Showing a little backbone will get you the respect you deserve.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Although your intentions will be good, it will be easier for you to make promises today than it will be for you to fulfill them when you're called on to do so.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your generous and giving nature could work to your detriment today if you get involved with the wrong people. Select companions whose ideals complement yours.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be grateful for any small advantages you gain today in your dealings with others. Disappointment will be the companion of unreasonable expectations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't let your optimism regarding an important issue crowd out your common sense today. Rely on realistic evaluations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be extremely careful today in the management of your resources. Above all, don't let a friend make any financial commitments for you without your approval.

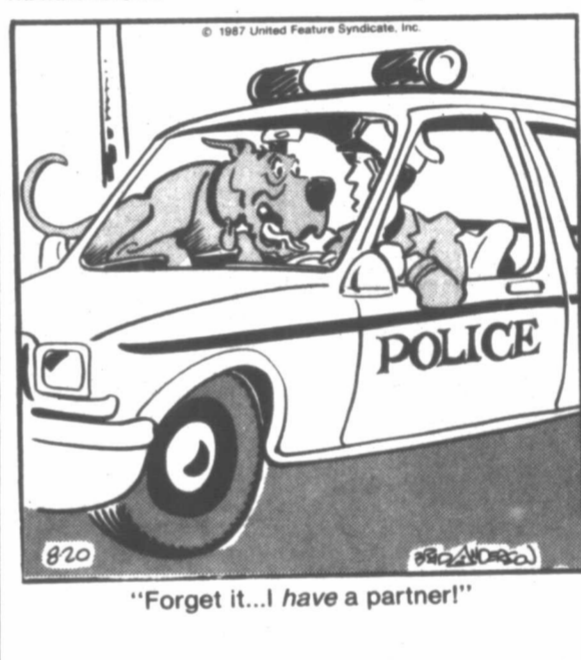
CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you are lackadaisical about doing things today that you know should be done, the goals that you've set for yourself will not be attained.

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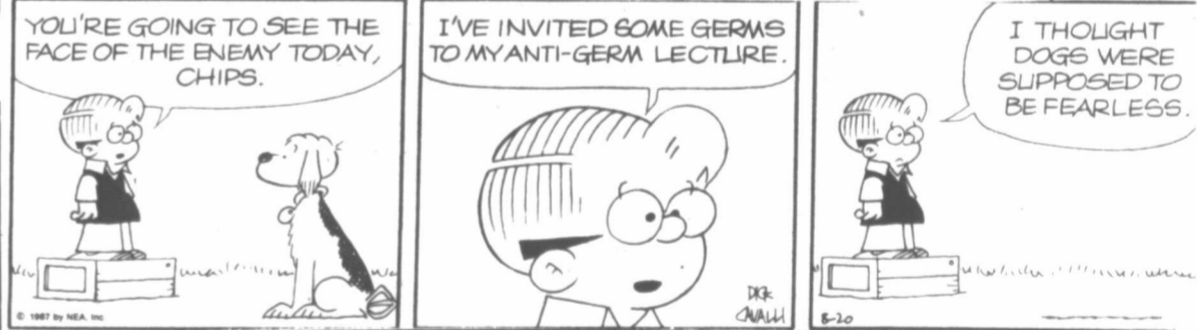
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Sports Scene



(AP Laserphoto)

Kevin Bass tallies winning run.

Dorsett's knees pass initial test

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Although his team suffered a 29-0 drubbing in a preseason opener with San Diego, Dallas Cowboys veteran running back Tony Dorsett had at least one good memory of the game.

Both legs worked well after off-season surgery on both knees.

"It was good to get that uncertainty out of my mind," Dorsett said after Saturday's loss, the sixth consecutive defeat for the National Football League team. "I guess you could say I came out smelling like a rose."

For Dorsett, who had 1,000-yard seasons nine times in his NFL career and now lacks just 733 yards to be the league's No. 2 all-time leading rusher, last year was a washout.

"I couldn't stride out the way I do, couldn't make stops and cuts," he said. "Pain is the reason the knees wouldn't do what they needed to do. And I was scared, too. When you experience an injury like that for the first time in 10 years, you become a very realistic person."

Dorsett had never suffered a serious injury until last season, when Dallas went 0-5 in the preseason and 7-9 for its first losing season since 1965.

The 5-11, 190-pound Dorsett suffered a severe ankle strain in the 1986 opener. And in the third game he hurt his left knee, partially tearing ligaments in an in-

jury. Then the other knee began to ache.

"You realize that the next play might be your last one," he added.

Off-season surgery was inevitable, but Dorsett said he was doubly scared when his doctors told him arthroscopic surgery was needed on both knees.

The operations were followed by rehabilitation, including jogging, swimming, bicycling and weightlifting. More pain followed — both physical and mental.

"You felt the pain, the discouragement, and you begin to think 'Heck, man, is it all worth it?'" he said. "And you know all the time you're doing this, you could turn around and something could happen after all this work."

Despite all his hard work and some contact work during the Cowboys' training camp at Thousand Oaks, Calif., Dorsett said he still had apprehensions before the San Diego game.

"Not a big concern, but something in the back of my mind," he said. "I needed to know how my knees would react out there — getting pulled and tugged and shoved."

Dorsett was smiling after Saturday night — his stride was back and so were the darting cuts and the speed. Playing only in the first quarter, he gained 32 yards on five carries.

Soccer signups scheduled

Pampa Soccer Association signups will be held the next two Saturdays in the Pampa Mall.

Signup times are from 10 to 6 p.m. both days. Age divisions range from under 6 to under 19.

Signup fee is \$20 per player which covers uniforms and insurance. A birth certificate is re-

quired at the signup if a player hasn't played in the Pampa soccer leagues before.

The season begins Sept. 19 and is expected to last about seven weeks.

"We're expected about 500 players again," said PSA President Miles Cook.

Astros on a winning roll

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Ken Caminiti has only been in the major leagues for 30 games, but already he can recognize the chemistry of a winner.

"You can smell it," Caminiti said. "A lot of times when we were going bad, I'd notice that we'd get down on ourselves in the dugout. We're not doing that now."

Caminiti contributed to Houston's chemistry Wednesday night with a 2-run double in the seventh inning, rallying the Astros to a 2-1 victory over St. Louis.

The victory marked Houston's sixth in a row and their 10th straight victory in the Astrodome.

"When I first came up, we were hitting the ball but now we're doing all the other things it takes to win," Caminiti said. "Now it's all

starting to fall together."

Caminiti's game-winner ended a shut out attempt by Cards starter Joe Magrane, who had allowed only a first inning single by Bill Doran until the seventh inning.

Houston starter Bob Knepper, 6-13, walked Vince Coleman to start the game.

Coleman went to second on Knepper's wild pitch, took third on Ozzie Smith's groundout and scored on Tom Herr's ground out to shortstop Dale Berra.

That stood up until the seventh when Doran and Alan Ashby got singles to start the inning and Kevin Bass reached base as Doran was forced at third base.

After Glenn Davis struck out, Caminiti drove a curve by Magrane just out of the reach of right fielder Jim Lindeman, scoring Ashby and Bass.

"It's a big disappointment," said Magrane, 6-5. "This was a very big game for us

and I just didn't get the job done. I got the two outs but I couldn't finish the job."

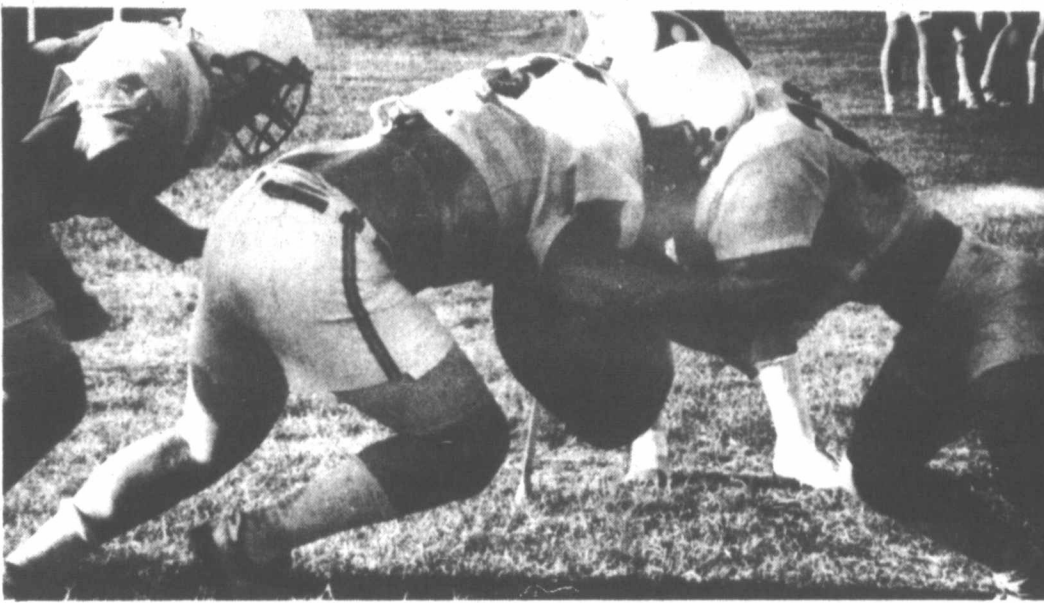
Cardinal Manager Whitey Herzog thought Lindeman should have caught Caminiti's hit. But Lindeman said he did his best.

"I did all I could to catch that ball," Lindeman said. "I missed it by a couple of feet maybe. It was a line drive, there was no slice on it. I was just too far away to catch it."

There was more drama in the ninth when Astros reliever Larry Anderson walked Smith with one out and Tom Herr reached base on an interference call against Ashby.

Anderson then got Jack Clark to hit into a game-ending double play, starting with shortstop Berra.

"He's got to me some times and I've gotten him a couple of times," Anderson said. "My biggest trouble has been trying to rush when I'm behind a hitter. Tonight I didn't rush."



Major League Standings

By The Associated Press
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division				
W.	L.	Pct.	GB	
Detroit	70	47	.590	—
Toronto	71	49	.589	1/2
New York	69	51	.575	2 1/2
Milwaukee	63	57	.525	8 1/2
Boston	57	63	.475	14 1/2
Baltimore	55	65	.458	16 1/2
Cleveland	46	74	.383	25 1/2

West Division				
W.	L.	Pct.	GB	
Minnesota	66	56	.541	—
Oakland	61	59	.509	4
Kansas City	60	60	.500	5
California	60	61	.496	5 1/2
Texas	56	63	.471	8 1/2
Seattle	56	64	.467	9
Chicago	49	70	.412	15 1/2

Wednesday's Games
Oakland 7, Toronto 1
Milwaukee 13, Cleveland 2
Detroit 7, Minnesota 1
Chicago 5, Boston 3
Kansas City 11, Texas 6
Baltimore 2, California 1
New York 8, Seattle 9

Thursday's Games
Minnesota (Nickro 6-8) at Detroit (Alexander 6-8)
Toronto (Clancy 10-10) at Oakland (Young 10-6)
Milwaukee (Higuera 11-9) at Cleveland (Schrom 5-9), (n)
Chicago (Dotson 10-8) at Texas (Guzman 9-11), (n)
Baltimore (Bell 9-9) at California (Candelaria 6-5), (n)
New York (Stamussen 9-6) at Seattle (Guetterman 9-4), (n)

Only games scheduled
Detroit at Cleveland, 2
Minnesota at Boston, (n)
Kansas City at Milwaukee, (n)
Chicago at Texas, (n)
Toronto at California, (n)
New York at Oakland, (n)
Baltimore at Seattle, (n)

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

W.	L.	Pct.	GB	
St. Louis	70	49	.588	—
Montreal	67	52	.563	3
New York	67	53	.559	3 1/2
Philadelphia	62	57	.521	9
Chicago	61	59	.508	9 1/2
Pittsburgh	53	67	.442	17 1/2

West Division				
W.	L.	Pct.	GB	
San Francisco	62	56	.521	—
Cincinnati	62	59	.512	1
Houston	61	59	.508	1 1/2
Los Angeles	53	66	.445	9
Atlanta	51	69	.425	11 1/2
San Diego	49	71	.408	13 1/2

Friday's Games
Chicago 9, Atlanta 1
Los Angeles 10, Montreal 9
Pittsburgh 10, Cincinnati 9
San Francisco 10, New York 6, 10 innings
Philadelphia 6, San Diego 5
Houston 7, St. Louis 1

Thursday's Games
San Francisco (Downs 9-7) at New York (Leach 10-11)
St. Louis (Mathews 8-8) at Houston (Darwin 8-7)
Chicago (Moyer 10-9) at Atlanta (Dedmon 3-3)
Pittsburgh (Dunne 7-4) at Cincinnati (Power 9-7), (n)
Los Angeles (Valenzuela 9-11) at Montreal (Heston 12-4), (n)
San Diego (Shaw 6-14) at Philadelphia (Toliver 6-8), (n)

Friday's Games
Houston at Chicago
Los Angeles at Philadelphia, 2
St. Louis at Cincinnati, (n)
San Francisco at Montreal, (n)
San Diego at New York, (n)
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, (n)

Harvester linemen work out with blocking pads.

Harvesters scrimmage tonight

Pampa's football scrimmage with Boys Ranch will just be another segment in preseason workouts, only this one will be like an instant replay.

Tonight's scrimmage, which starts at 6 p.m. at Boys Ranch, will be filmed and evaluated many times by the Harvester coaching staff.

"We want to try and get everyone on film, so the coaches can evaluate the players, and more importantly, so the players can evaluate themselves," Cavalier said. "We're going to be looking at the film of this scrimmage over and over again."

However, because of injuries, not every Harvester will be on the field tonight.

"We don't have any major injuries, just a lot of little nagging things, but I'm going to hold five or six of our top players out," Cavalier said. "I don't believe in rushing a player back into action when he's not physically ready. We don't want to aggravate the injury and make it worse."

Cavalier is anxious to take a look at Pampa's multiple I

formation under gamelike conditions.

"We're going to work on basic things in our passing and running plays," Cavalier said. "We're going to de-emphasize winning the scrimmage. We're not worried about winning right now. We're in the process of moving players from one position to another and seeing what they can do."

Cavalier hopes the scrimmage will help determine both the quality and quantity of Pampa's depth chart.

"We've got a nice number of players out, but we're thin at several positions," Cavalier said. "The dropoff is pretty drastic from the first team to the second."

This will be the first of two scrimmages for the Harvesters before the Sept. 11 opener with Amarillo High. Pampa's second scrimmage will be against Amarillo Tascosa Aug. 28 at Harvester Stadium.

"At this point, after multiple practice, I think the players are ready to see someone different

across the line from them," Cavalier said. "I think they're probably anxious for this scrimmage."

The junior varsity will kick off the scrimmage, followed by the varsity.

Deadline is Aug. 28 for season ticket holders to renew their tickets. Tickets are \$18 for the six Harvester home games. Tickets go on sale to the public Aug. 31.

Pampa schedule

Sept.

11 — Amarillo High, home; 18 — x-Herford, away; 25 — x-Borger, home.

Oct.

2 — Friona, home; 9 — x-Frenship, away; 16 — x-Lubbock Dunbar, home; 23 — x-Levelland, away; 30 — x-Dumas (homecoming), home.

Nov.

6 — x-Canyon, away; 13 — x-Lubbock Estacado.
x-Denotes district games.

Natural disasters, nuclear accident could give Rangers title

Pampa's Harvesters, along with most area schools, begin preseason scrimmages this weekend.

The Harvesters will be at Boys Ranch tonight. The junior varsity begins play at 6 p.m., followed by the Harvester varsity.

In area scrimmage action, Canadian will be at home against West Texas High School starting at 5:30 p.m. tonight. The varsity is expected to take the field about 7 p.m.

Also in a full-gear scrimmage tonight — the varsity Groom Tigers, who will host Valley at 7 p.m.

Friday night's games feature McLean hosting Happy; Wheeler at Gruver, beginning at 6 p.m. and White Deer at Vega, also at 6 p.m.

Saturday action features Miami at home against Texline

beginning at 10:30 a.m. and Shamrock at Sayre, Okla., with a 7 p.m. kickoff. Lefors will not scrimmage this weekend.

Incidentally, the Texas Associated Press Preseason Schoolboy Poll has Wheeler ranked as the #5 1-A team in the state in its preseason poll. The Mustangs are the only area team ranked in the state Top Ten

KZZQ (Amarillo's 102-FM) disc jockey Jonathan Stewart has wrapped it up rather succinctly, when speaking of how the Texas Rangers are going to win the American League West this year.

On his morning show recently, Stewart said, "I predict a tidal wave will roll up the Mississippi and destroy Kansas City and Minnesota. This will be the year that California falls into the ocean, therefore taking out the Angels and Oakland... and, there'll be an

Front Row Seat



By Jimmy Patterson

accident at the nuclear testing site in Washington, thus eliminating Seattle."

That's all fine and dandy, but what if all those teams are visiting Eastern Division cities at the time of these disasters? And, what of the always-threatening Chicago White Sox?

Speaking of the electronic media, ESPN did rather well in

its coverage of the Miami-Chicago game Sunday night. Especially considering the fact that it was ESPN's inaugural NFL game.

Somehow, Roy Firestone just seems more likeable when you don't have to look at him.

And, is it just me, or do you, too, think that Budweiser commercial is the best 30-seconds of

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You know the one ... when the minor league umpire gets "the call" to the big leagues, proceeds to get in an argument with a manager in his first game and then the same manager buys him a brew after the game.

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If you haven't heard the latest Bob Eucker radio commercial, you'll enjoy it when you do ... Eucker, who proclaims to have knowledge of the state of Texas, erroneously refers to various Texas regions.

Included amongst those is his reference to the Panhandle. Eucker calls it, "The Pothandle."

BASEBALL TRIVIA: Before Milwaukee's Paul Molitor, who had the longest hitting streak in the majors? Answer follows ...

Nice to see the Cowboys back, huh?

And, what a game it was last Sunday when the Pokes rolled over and played dead for San Diego 29-0.

That astounding loss came after Tom andry told the press he feels it important that the Cowboys win preseason games so they can condition their collective attitudes.

Landry's position is a reversal. In years past, he hasn't cared less about winning a preseason ball game. In fact, they haven't won a preseason game in over two years.

Outscored by 29 points? That sounds more like a baseball score!

TRIVIA ANSWER: Cincinnati's Pete Rose, who came closest to threatening Joe Dimaggio's 56-game record, had a 44-game hitting streak.

Long course swim season ends as Dolphins capture third at Lubbock

The Pampa Dolphins Swim Club picked up the third-place trophy last weekend at the West Texas Swimming Championships held in Lubbock.

As usual, the Dolphins went into the meet with only nine swimmers, which was more than doubled by the first and second-place teams.

The meet was won by the Amarillo Aquatic Club and the Lubbock Swim Club finished second. These two teams had several relays, which made the difference in the meet's outcome.

Pampa had only a senior girls' relay team, which won both the 400 free and 400 medley, defeating both Amarillo and Lubbock. The Dolphins finished ahead of the Caprock Swim Club, Clovis Swim Team and Lubbock Water Y'ers.

Three Pampa swimmers won high-point trophies in their age groups. Richelle Hill

won the high-point trophy in the 15-18 girls' age group. Richelle scored 75 points and barely edged out another Dolphin, Pamela Morrow, was second with 69 points. Both girls dominated the 15-18 girls' age group. Hill won six of eleven events while Morrow placed in the top three in eleven events while winning the 200 butterfly.

Rhea Hill won the high-point trophy in the 13-14 girls' age group by taking first in eight events and second in two events. She also improved her best times in seven out of eight events.

Jamie Danner Hill won the high-point trophy in the 10 and under age group. Jamie won all seven events in her age group. Talitha Pope finished second in the high-point race and Rene Hill was third in the same age group. These three girls swept the competition in several events by placing first, second and third.

Jon Barr had a good meet in only his second swim outing. Jon swims in the boys' 10 and under age group and finished in the top eight in all seven of his events. He improved his times in six events.

Heidi Venal in the 11-12 girls' division placed as high as third in four events and placed fourth in three others. Bobby Venal placed second in three events and third in four others.

Members of the winning relay teams were Richelle Hill, Pamela Morrow, Jamie Danner Hill and Rhea Hill.

The Lubbock meet ended the long course meet for the Dolphins.

Youngsters interested in joining the Dolphins can report to the Pampa Youth Center at 4:30 p.m. Sept. 14 or call Bob Hill at 665-2596 at nights.

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Pilot error reports continue with the Flight 255 accident

WASHINGTON (AP)—Indications that the crew of Northwest Airlines Flight 255 ignored a basic but crucial takeoff procedure have intensified concern about an industry already shaken by mystifying pilot mistakes on other recent flights.

Federal investigators revealed Wednesday that the pilots of the Northwest jetliner that crashed Sunday near Detroit may not have lowered the jet's flaps to takeoff position, a critical maneuver required to give the plane proper lift.

The setting of the flaps prior to takeoff is fundamental to flying and considered by pilots as one of three "killer items" for which the consequences can easily be catastrophic.

"If they did it, it's a monumental thing," said Jim McIntyre, a veteran TWA pilot and chairman of the professional standards committee of the Air Line Pilots Association.

McIntyre and other pilots interviewed expressed disbelief that such an oversight could have occurred. "If it did happen it has to have been some distraction or other manifestation or a combination of factors," the pilot said.

Allan McArtor, the new head of the Federal Aviation Administration, said Wednesday night that if the early indications hold true they will reinforce his call for a thorough review of pilot training and on-board procedures.

"I think we've seen evidence over the summer weeks times when you would question whether (a plane's) crew was as vigilant as it might have

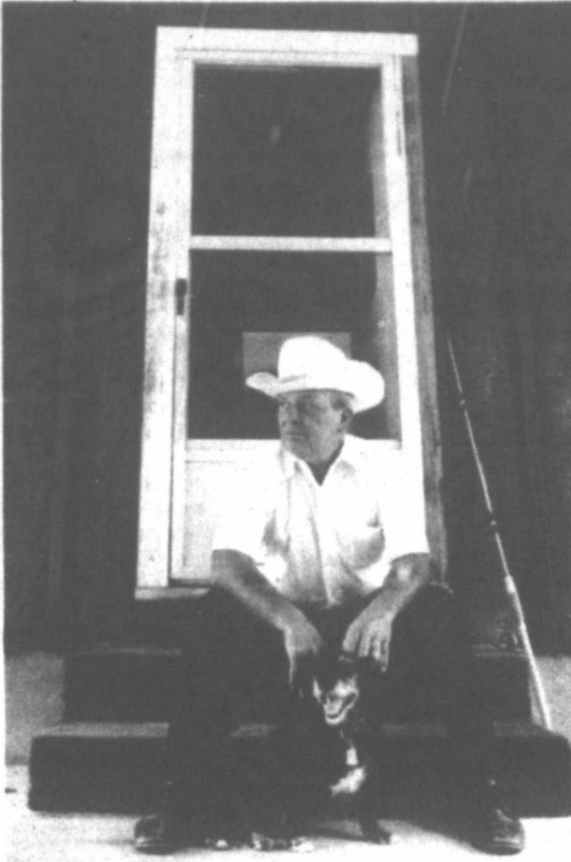
been," McArtor said in an interview. The airlines and the professional pilot community have been trying to explain a series of similar seemingly inexplicable human errors in jetliner cockpits through much of the summer, including two in which disaster was only narrowly averted.

In early July a Delta Air Lines crew apparently put the wrong coordinates into a navigational computer prior to a flight across the Atlantic, strayed 60 miles off course and came within 100 feet of colliding with another jetliner. A week earlier another Delta pilot mistakenly flipped the wrong switches and turned off both engines during a flight off the California coast and came within 600 feet of ditching his plane in the Pacific.

There also have been pilots who landed on the wrong runway in Boston, on a closed runway in Denver, at the wrong airport in Kentucky and almost with a plane's landing gear still up in London.

McArtor, in remarks Wednesday at a meeting of the Air Line Pilots Association, reiterated his plans for a "top to bottom review" of pilot training in the coming months. He told the pilots: "We must return to the basics ... in a word, our professionalism."

McIntyre contends that often what seems to be a human error also involves a "system breakdown" or design problem.



(AP Laserphoto)

Stone miffed officials.

Prominent small-town officials often fall victims to politics

By The Associated Press

For public employees in many small Texas cities, the most difficult part of the job is keeping it. Prominent officials—such as school superintendents, city managers, fire chiefs and others—answer to the political whims of public boards which change with each local election.

High-profile professionals get fired in cities around Texas every month, and nothing draws attention in small city politics like a dispute over a dismissal.

"In small towns, a lot of issues revolve around personality conflicts," said Delbert Tael, an urban studies professor at the University of Texas at Arlington. "The appointed officials have to go head to head with people wherever they go in town. And sometimes they lose."

Some observers say the smaller the town, the more often political infighting accounts for the firing of employees.

"In a dispute, it doesn't help a council member to blame another member," says former Wylie city manager Gus Pappas, who was fired in April. "It's easier to blame someone like the city manager, because he doesn't have political backing."

Pappas said his firing resulted from a misunderstanding of the council-manager form of city government. He was fired during a special meeting of the council a week after the city's municipal elections.

"He just wasn't doing the job we wanted from a city manager," said council member Sandra Donovan, who led the drive to fire Pappas.

But Pappas said he was fired because incoming council members differed with the previous council on several key policies.

"If they had sat there and voted in a series of votes to undo everything the council had done, I would have gone on and administered that," Pappas said. "So I'm a little bit upset they decided I absolutely had to go."

More townspeople in the Dallas-area town of Sachse voted in a local election this spring than ever before because of the dismissal of the town's fire chief.

For each of the past 19 years, the members of the volunteer department had elected Joe Stone, 59, as chief. But council members—some of whom thought the department needed new blood—changed the ordinance to give the council power to select the chief.

The council replaced Stone in March after he issued citations for high grass to some council members. "Maybe I stepped on some toes," Stone said.

In the April election, the council members who voted for Stone's ouster were defeated. The council later gave power to select the fire chief to the city manager, but the manager has not reinstated Stone.

That kind of fervent civic participation is one of the few benefits from small town controversies surrounding dismissed employees.

"This dispute has hurt us financially. It hurt us morally. It weakened the city," Ms. Donovan, the Wylie council member said. "But it also got people out to voice their opinion."

Names in the News

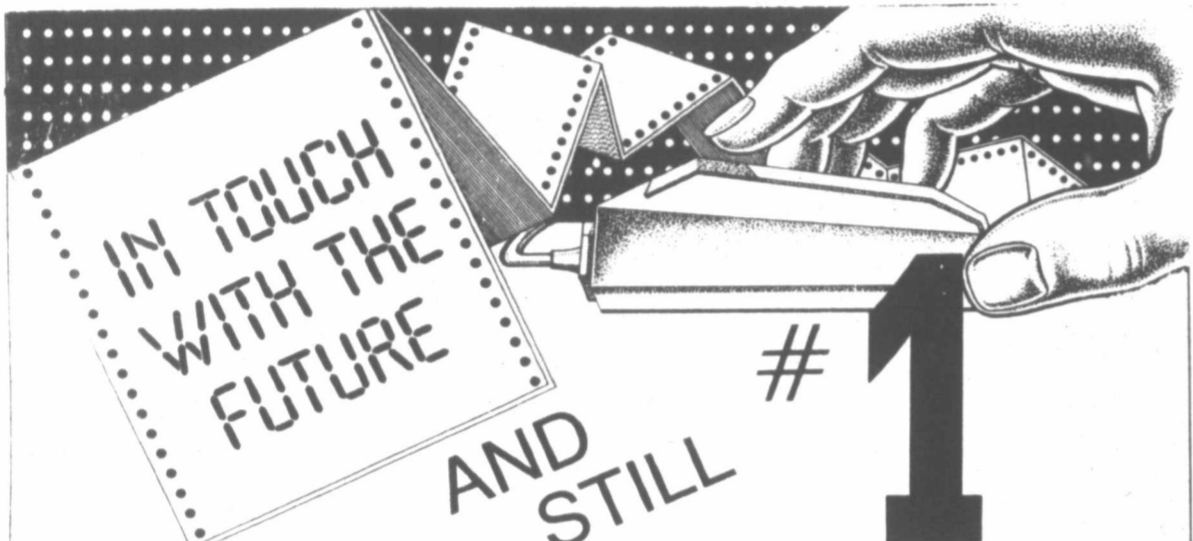
FALL RIVER, Mass. (AP)—Film legend John Huston is in good condition following his release from the hospital where he spent 22 days in intensive care for pneumonia, the hospital said.

The 81-year-old director was released Wednesday. Huston was hospitalized while on his way to Newport, R.I., for filming of the movie "Mr. North," which he cowrote and was to act in. That role was taken over by Robert Mitchum.

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP)—Actress-singer Apollonia was arrested after allegedly throwing a vase in a restaurant in this coastal town, but she denied she was trying to hurt anyone.

The arrest was made nearly two weeks ago. But as of Wednesday, the city attorney's office had not yet reviewed it to determine whether misdemeanor malicious conduct charges would

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