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Subway inferno kills 32

Fire in busy London depot traps riders

By ROBERT GLASS
Associated Press Writer

LONDON — Fire broke out below a wooden escalator and raced through London's busiest subway station, killing 32 people and injuring about 80 in a cavern of smoke and flaming debris.

Pandemonium broke out when thousands of commuters found themselves trapped in the blaze Wednesday evening at King's Cross station and struggled to escape through walls of dense smoke and fierce heat.

Witnesses said they saw people with burning hair and others lying face-down and motionless in the charred main ticket hall of the mammoth station, which is served by five lines of the London Underground running below a British Rail intercity terminal.

Some survivors said transport staff directed them to escalators that carried them into flames and smoke. One fire official said the blaze was so hot that it blew tiles from walls of the station.

The London Fire Brigade said one fireman was among the 32 known dead. Among those taken to hospitals, at least 27 remained overnight for further treatment, some of them severely burned, the brigade said.

Outside the station, a temporary morgue was set up in a church.

It was by far the worst fire on the 124-year-old London Underground, the world's oldest subway, and its second most deadly accident. Forty-three were killed and 74 injured in a subway train crash on Feb. 28, 1975.

The fire began at 7:36 p.m. at the end of the capital's commuter rush, and undoubtedly would have claimed more lives had it occurred an hour earlier. The fire was brought under control in about two hours, the brigade said.

Transport Secretary Paul



(AP Laserphoto)

Firemen remove debris around charred ticket dispensers at station.

Channon visited the chaotic scene late in the night and pledged a full government inquiry.

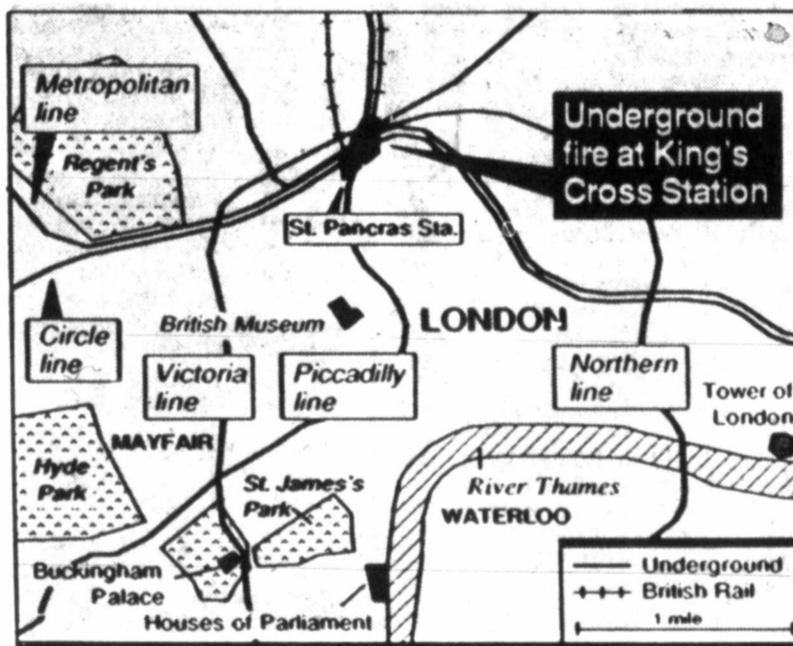
Sir Keith Bright, chairman of London Regional Transport, said the fire started about halfway up a wooden escalator and quickly spread "into the ticket area, which is completely burned out."

Press Association, the British domestic news agency, quoted an unidentified Fire Brigade source as saying the fire may have been caused by a spark from an escalator motor that ignited trash in a machinery room.

The Fire Brigade would not comment on the report.

There was also speculation the fire may have started by a discarded cigarette. Smoking

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Workers bury last Celanese disaster victim

More than 100 laid-off contractors file claims

By PAUL PINKHAM
and CATHY SPAULDING
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Hoechst Celanese Chemical Co. employees on Wednesday helped bury the last of three co-workers killed in Saturday's fatal explosions, as investigators continued to probe the cause of the disaster.

Meanwhile, more than half of the 177 contract employees laid off Tuesday by Arthur Brothers Inc. filed unemployment claims Wednesday. Arthur Brothers was the major contractor at the Celanese plant.

Roughly 300 mourners filled the Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, 600 N. Ward St., to honor Richard Charles Wilson, 25, of 1128 Terrace St. They included friends, family and fellow employees.

Wilson was one of three Celanese employees killed when twin explosions rocked the giant chemical complex 6 miles west of Tampa, shortly before 4 p.m. Saturday. The blasts destroyed two of the plant's nine reactor units, and left extensive damage throughout the rest of the facility.

Also killed were Eugene Presley Turner, 60, 1109 Starkweather St., and Joe Barnett, 43, of White Deer. Funeral services for both were held Tuesday.

Justice of the Peace Wayne Roberts said no autopsies were ordered.

Two of the 37 people injured in the disaster remained hospitalized this morning: Gary Starns, 42, 1526 N. Sumner St., listed in satisfactory condition at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo; and Bennie Woodward of Panhandle, listed in good condition at Pampa's Coronado Hospital.

Jane McBunch, manager of human resources at the plant, said more than 20 investigators, including local employees and ex-



PHS marquee shows support.

parts from other Celanese facilities, continued this morning to look into the cause of the explosions and assess the damage. The blasts have sidelined Pampa's largest private employer, but Celanese employees will remain on the company payroll until a determination is made about the plant's future.

"We're still trying to gather facts," McBunch said today. "Everything is pretty much the same."

Teams of workers also are busy moving corporate records salvaged from the blasts to temporary offices at the Hughes Building, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave.

Hoechst Celanese officials remained optimistic today that the plant will one day reopen, but said a final determination will be made based on damage assessment. Celanese spokesman Herb Reed reiterated that damage assessment could take weeks.

Plant employees plan to gather at 7:30 tonight at M.K. Brown Auditorium, 1100 Coronado Drive, for the second in what company officials say will be a series of employee-only meetings, designed to keep workers up to date

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Hearts pour support on Celanese

By LARRY HOLLIS
News Editor

The Pampa Plant Support Group center at NBC Plaza #2, Units 9 and 10, has been busy since it opened Tuesday afternoon to provide a place for Celanese and contract employees and families to gather.

"There's been quite a few people here this morning," center volunteer Berinda Turcotte said today. She said a number of employees "are finally learning where we are," adding that more workers and others have come by the center, located behind the National Bank of Commerce in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Those visiting the center, open 24 hours a day, can eat refreshments, play games, help plan activities for employees and just talk.

Turcotte said the individual and group

therapy sessions to be conducted by Pampa Family Services have not yet started, adding that the sessions are still being organized.

"The Pampa community as a whole have been very supportive," she said. "It's been overwhelming."

As part of the community support, the Downtown Business Association has been organizing a special sales day for Saturday, with downtown merchants offering 10 percent of their sales income from Saturday business or making a straight donation to aid the Celanese workers.

DBA President Terry Roth said the response has been very favorable, adding that the project is not limited to DBA members. He said any downtown merchant or business can participate in the Saturday event.

Donations from downtown merchants should be mailed to the DBA at Box 2180 in

Pampa. Roth said, adding that the DBA will combine all the contributions into one check.

Roth said determination of how the funds will be used by Celanese employees will be made after discussions with Celanese.

Other contributions to the center have come from citizens and the Lamar Elementary School Boosters Club. An education fund also has been established at National Bank of Commerce to aid the children of the three men killed in Saturday's explosion.

Jane McBunch, Celanese manager of human resources, said "a couple of Celanese employees got the idea" to set up the fund for the three children of Joe Barnett, 43, of White Deer, and one child of Richard Charles Wilson, 25, of Pampa.

McBunch said those wanting to donate to the education fund can contact Kaye Roberts

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(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Celanese employees Berinda Turcotte, left, and Bonnie Meador plan activities at support center.

Iran-Contra scandal may lead to controls on spy agency

By JIM DRINKARD
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress seems determined to tighten control over the government's covert intelligence operations after concluding that a secret White House cabal took power into its own hands in the Iran-Contra affair.

But lawmakers concede it will be up to independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh to provide some elusive final answers in the scandal.

Congress is likely to act next year to force the administration to give it quicker, more thorough notification of

secret operations, and may establish an independent inspector general at the CIA, said Sen. William Cohen, R-Maine, a member of the Senate investigating panel and the Senate Intelligence Committee.

"I think the report's chief value will be as a deterrent," said Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of the House panel. "I think it's going to be a long time before a national security adviser will say, 'The buck stops with me.'"

Hamilton was referring to the testimony of former national security adviser John M. Poindexter, who told investigators during the summer's hearings

that he alone had authorized the diversion of profits from Iran arms sales to help Nicaragua's Contra rebels, and that he had not told President Reagan.

The report was harsh in its judgment of Reagan and his top aides, saying the president failed in his constitutional duty to uphold the law and that he contributed to the deception of the American people about his secret policies.

Reagan himself had no comment on the report, saying only, "You don't want to hear it," when asked his opinion. His spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, called the report "mostly subjective opinions."

Among the conclusions drawn in the report:

- Reagan bears ultimate responsibility for the scandal because he allowed a "cabal of the zealots" to seize control of policy and bypass the law. "The common ingredients of the Iran and Contra policies were secrecy, deception and disdain for the law," the report said.
- Reagan's secret weapons sales to Iran "succeeded only in replacing three American hostages with another three, arming Iran with 2,004 TOW (anti-tank missiles) and more than 200 vital spare parts for Hawk missile batteries."
- One of the Iranian officials described by administration officials as "moder-

ates" in fact masterminded the kidnapping of at least two of the American hostages.

■ The secret covert operation that participants called "the enterprise" took in some \$48 million and spent about \$16.5 million on the Contras and \$15.2 million on the Iranian initiative. It said \$6.6 million went to those who ran the enterprise, retired Maj. Gen. Richard V. Secord, his Iranian-American business associate Albert Hakim and former CIA agent Thomas Clines.

■ Reagan failed to tell the public the whole truth after the Iran arms sales

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Workers' comp rates hiked 25 percent by board

AUSTIN (AP)—The 25 percent workers' compensation insurance rate increase approved by the State Board of Insurance signals a need to reform the system, experts say.

The new rate, which will generate an estimated \$750 million in additional premiums, was approved unanimously by the board Wednesday. It is the third increase in three years for the industry.

"Today's rate increase underscores the urgent need for reform of the whole workers' compensation system. Without a complete overhaul, Texas businesses will likely have to absorb yet another double-digit increase next

year," said William Strother, president of the Independent Insurance Agents of Texas.

Chairman Edwin J. Smith Jr. said testimony at last month's public hearing by the board showed serious problems in the system.

"Workers' compensation rates in Texas are among the highest in the nation. Workers' compensation statutory benefits in Texas are among the lowest in the nation," Smith said.

"Workers' compensation carriers in Texas have reported over the last several years losses which are capable of leading to weakened financial positions, and which have already led to

curtailment of their writing workers' compensation policies," he said.

The board by itself cannot solve the underlying problems in the workers' compensation system, Smith said.

"At this juncture, though, and until such time as the system can be brought under control, this board must necessarily promulgate a rate increase," he said.

But Tom Blanton of the Texas Association of Compensation Consumers said the 25 percent increase is not the solution to the system's problems.

His organization, which includes 17 trade associations, had hoped for an in-

crease closer to the board staff recommendation of 16.1 percent, Blanton said. The industry had recommended a 43.5 percent increase.

"The simple reality is that this increase, together with those of the past two years, will make the cost of this coverage prohibitive for some employers," Blanton said.

Employers are not required to carry workers' compensation insurance in Texas, but those who do not have coverage face unlimited liability for accidents. An estimated 376,000 employers carried workers' compensation insurance in fiscal year 1986.

"Although this increase may ease somewhat the short-term cas problems of some insurers, the workers' compensation crisis won't be solved merely by throwing money at it," Blanton said.

The rate increase takes effect Jan. 1. It follows a 17.7 percent increase approved last year, after a 30.7 percent increase took effect in October 1985.

"Basically, this increase would maintain the status quo. We're still dealing with inadequate rates," said Robert Maxwell of the National Council on Compensation Insurance, which represents 600 insurance carriers nationwide.

Pickens drops bid for Newmont Mining

AMARILLO (AP)—Corporate raider T. Boone Pickens bailed out of his controversial takeover bid of Newmont Mining Corp. after a Delaware court blocked the buyout.

"Ivanhoe is withdrawing its cash tender offer for 28 million common shares of Newmont Corp.," Amarillo-based Ivanhoe Acquisition Corp. officials said Wednesday.

Newmont shares tendered into the Ivanhoe offer will be returned to the tendering shareholders, the officials said in a statement. Neither Pickens nor other of Ivanhoe's officials returned calls to The Associated Press Wednesday.

The Ivanhoe group made a hostile takeover offer of \$72 per share for 28 million of Newmont's 66.8 million common shares. The move would have boosted Ivanhoe's holdings to 51 percent of Newmont.

Newmont, a giant mining concern based in New York but incorporated in Delaware, has resisted the takeover attempt since it began in August with a \$5.64 billion or \$95 a share offer.

The takeover attempt became a battle between Ivanhoe and Consolidated Gold Fields PLC, Newmont's largest stockholder, which scooped up 15.8 million Newmont shares in a two day "street sweep" in September.

In Delaware Chancery Court, Ivanhoe challenged the legality of maneuvers of London-based Consolidated, which raised its stake in the Newmont from 26.2 percent to 49.9 percent.

In its ruling Wednesday, the Delaware Supreme Court said Newmont had the power and duty to oppose Ivanhoe's tender offer, and that the defensive measures were reasonable considering the threats posed.

The board acted to meet them

in the proper exercise of its sound business judgment," the court said, adding that Newmont's methods in stopping the "inadequate, coercive" Ivanhoe offer were legitimate.

Newmont stock soared \$9.50 when Pickens announced his tender offer to \$92 a share. On Wednesday, Newmont closed on the New York Stock Exchange at \$32 a share, down one-eighth of a point from Tuesday.

Ivanhoe still has a lawsuit pending in federal court in Wilmington, Del., seeking injunctive relief against Consolidated. The suit alleges the company violated Securities and Exchange Commission rules in making its tender offer to Newmont. The case was scheduled for a Nov. 23 hearing.

Michael Goldman, who represented Newmont, said Wednesday the decision was a "tremendous victory on all points. The board feels it was fully vindicated."

Charles Richards, Ivanhoe's attorney, said he was disappointed by the decision.

"This certainly kills the offer (Pickens) has on the table," said Richards. Ivanhoe remains a major stockholder, with about 10 percent of the outstanding shares.

Lawrence Hermes, who represented Consolidated, did not return the AP's calls for comment Wednesday.

Ivanhoe had extended its tender offer several times while the state's highest court considered the legality of the offer.

The partnership is under an injunction from a federal appeals court in San Francisco that prohibits it from making any move toward gaining control of Newmont. That injunction stems from a suit filed by Newmont seeking to block Ivanhoe's tender offer.

Two young brothers died in fire

EL PASO (AP)—Firefighters and neighbors battled flames and smoke to try to save two young brothers, but rescuers were too late when they finally made their way into the gutted mobile home.

Four-year-old Justin Kuntz and his 3-year-old brother, Shane, clung together crying for help during the blaze Wednesday afternoon, officials said. Their bodies were found huddled together on a bed.

Plastic tricycles were melted at the side of the mobile home and a dog searched throughout the debris for her puppies. Firefighters said they found four dead puppies on the other end of the mobile home.

The boys' mother, Rita Kuntz, was awakened and told of the fire by her 2-year-old daughter, Roxanne. The mother and daughter

were treated and released at Sierra Medical Center.

Autopsies will be needed to determine whether Justin and Shane died from smoke inhalation or fire. Firefighters said victims usually die from inhaling smoke.

Fire Marshal Rodney Harris said late Wednesday that "it's just too much damage right now" to try to determine the cause of the fire, but investigator Hector Zubia said the fire appeared to have started in the kitchen or the boys' bedroom area.

Gabby Rocha was one of several people who tried to save the boys. She was coming out of her driveway across the street at about 2:30 p.m. when she saw black smoke coming from the mobile home.



Clements applauds after listening to Phillips, left.

Clements: New justice electable

AUSTIN (AP)—The new chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, State District Judge Thomas R. Phillips, will make a competitive candidate in next November's elections, according to the man who appointed him.

"Electability had to be a factor," Gov. Bill Clements said Wednesday in naming Phillips, a Republican, to the state's highest civil court.

Phillips, 38, succeeds Democrat John Hill, who is resigning from the court in mid-term on Jan. 4 to campaign for changing the current system of electing Texas judges to a system of appointing them.

Phillips must seek election in 1988 for the remainder of Hill's term, which expires in 1990.

"Tom is committed to this election coming up. He recognizes his problems in having to run again in a couple of years. But to borrow a phrase, he's got the fire in his belly. And he's going to make a great candidate," Clements said.

Phillips, who becomes the first Republican in modern times to head the Texas Supreme Court, said he expects to disagree at times with the eight Democratic justices.

"I suspect I will disagree with some of the other members of the court on a number of decisions," he said when asked if the current court has been too favorable in ruling for plaintiffs.

Among other decisions, the court has been criticized for upholding an \$11 billion damage award against Texaco Inc. in a lawsuit involving Pennzoil Corp.

Phillips said he wouldn't comment on any specific case, but he did say this is a crucial time for Texas' highest civil court.

"I believe that our Supreme Court is at a critical crossroads. This is a historic time to become a member of this court. It is a time of opportunity and of challenge to make a positive impact, one that is significant and long-term," he said.

"I come to the Supreme Court with no hidden agenda and with no interests in mind except the interests of the people of the state."

Saying he plans to seek election next year, Phillips described raising the large amount of money

for a judicial campaign as "one of the few distasteful aspects of the job."

Phillips said the chief justice's job had been his ambition since he was a clerk for Supreme Court Justice Ruel C. Walker in 1974-75. He also said he had been planning to run for a Supreme Court seat anyway when the governor called.

Hill said that when he discussed his plans to resign with Clements, Phillips' was a name he suggested to the governor.

"When he asked me about anyone that I might know, I did say to him I knew Judge Phillips in Houston and that I thought he would be someone that should be very seriously considered. He was the only name that I did provide the governor," Hill said. "He's a person of intelligence, ability... I think he has the kind of attributes that we look for in jurists."

Clements said he was convinced he made a good choice.

"The people of Texas can be assured that with Chief Justice Tom Phillips, total credibility, integrity and judicial wisdom will be the guiding light in all of his decisions and in all of his actions," he said.

A 1971 graduate of Baylor University, Phillips was graduated from Harvard University Law School in 1974. He worked for the Houston law firm of Baker & Botts before being appointed by Clements to the 280th District Court in Harris County.

He was a member of the Committee of 100 for the Merit Selection of Judges, a group created by Hill to press for an appointed judiciary in Texas.

Justice Ted Z. Robertson, a Democrat who already has announced as a candidate for chief justice, said that if he wins the primary "I will welcome the opportunity to contrast my qualifications with those of Tom Phillips."

Secretary of State Jack Rains, another Houston Republican, immediately hailed the appointment, saying he was the kind of man needed on a "scandal-tainted" court in which two justices this year were given formal, public rebukes for the first time in history.

Pennzoil, Wall Street Journal are at odds

HOUSTON (AP)—Pennzoil Co. is running newspaper ads nationwide accusing the Wall Street Journal of bashing the Texas judicial system and being blatantly pro-Texaco Inc. in the two oil giants' pending litigation.

The ads, which ran Wednesday, were necessary because Pennzoil "had been unable to get its side of the story told in the Journal, which has published numerous pro-Texaco editorials, and because the paper was attacking the judicial system of the entire state (of Texas)," Pennzoil spokesman Bob Harper said.

"Frankly, we're tired of 'judge bashing' when the targets have no way of defending themselves," Harper added Wednesday.

Last Week, the Journal refused to run the same advertisement, headlined, "Responsible Journalism," according to Houston-based Pennzoil.

Dan Austin, director of corporate relations for Dow Jones & Co., publisher of the Journal, said Pennzoil was "pretty liberal" in using the word "refused" in characterizing the Journal's decision on whether to run the ad.

"Where we had the problem was linkage with our editorial page and our news department," he said. "Those are two separate organizations here. Somebody might have a complaint with the editorial page and the news columns and that's their right."

"But it's not accurate to say the editorial page people somewhere influenced the news department people at the Journal."

Two years ago, a Houston federal jury awarded Pennzoil an unprecedented \$10.53 billion from Texaco, finding Texaco wrongfully interfered in a Pennzoil merger with Getty Oil Co. before acquiring Getty itself.

The trial judge upheld the jury verdict. Two weeks ago, without formal hearings, the Texas Supreme Court also upheld the decision.

Texaco in April filed for Chapter 11 reorganization under federal bankruptcy laws. After the Texas Supreme Court ruling, the White Plains, N.Y.-based company said it would take its appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

In a nearly half-page ad run Wednesday in 35 newspapers across the country and the International Herald Tribune, Pennzoil criticized the Journal for editorials ripping Pennzoil and the Texas court system and defending Texaco. It also criticized the Journal's news coverage of the case.

"These editorials clearly misrepresent what the litigation is all about," the ad said. "At best, they are one-sided and demonstrate an abysmal ignorance about the case ..."

Mattox calls for revamping of state university bible classes

AUSTIN (AP)—Atheist leader Madalyn Murray O'Hair says the University of Texas should find a way to continue offering religion courses ruled unconstitutional by Attorney General Jim Mattox.

Mattox also told the House Higher Education Committee Wednesday that the courses should continue in a revamped form.

"It cannot be done with just a little bit of tinkering. It's going to take substantially greater changes than that," Mattox said.

Ms. O'Hair said it is possible that only atheists are capable of teaching religion courses without preaching.

"It is impossible for a Baptist to climb out of his skin," she said.

The House committee convened Wednesday to hear about efforts to get the courses in line with recent opinions in which Mattox has held that it is improper for state universities to offer Bible courses taught by instructors picked and paid for by

church groups.

The University of Texas at Austin has used instructors selected and paid by the Biblical Studies Association for 80 years. The school now is looking for a new way to offer the courses. The association has asked a federal court to review the situation.

"I believe the religious studies are important to the curriculum at the University of Texas at Austin," UT President William Cunningham told the committee. "We believe these courses should be taught on our campus."

Mattox agreed, saying an educated person "needs to know the difference in what people believe around this world."

But he said it is difficult to craft religion courses that would not violate the constitutional ban on church-state entanglement.

"They must be taught in such a way that they do not proselytize and that they reflect a secular purpose," Mattox said.

Twenty-two Texas state uni-

versities offer religion courses taught by instructors paid by religious groups, according to Rep. Wilhelmina Delco, D-Austin and chairwoman of the higher education committee.

Ms. O'Hair said she has long challenged the UT religion courses.

"I think that it's impossible for persons who are teaching these courses now to teach them in an unbiased way. What we have here today is an attempt to legitimize what has been illegal... for 80 years, with each one of these religious people knowing during those 80 years that what they were doing was violating the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States," Ms. O'Hair said.

Charles Cox, chairman of the Biblical Studies Association, told the committee courses now taught by the association's instructors at UT are not being used to further any particular religion.

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Opinion

Gorbachev believes in Lenin's tyranny

The Soviet Union recently celebrated the 70th anniversary of the 1917 Bolshevik seizure of power. Party boss Mikhail Gorbachev gave interminable speeches; parades of tanks and missiles wound through Red Square, visiting dignitaries from such kindred socialist utopias as Cambodia, Ethiopia, Mongolia, and Nicaragua praised the great front of world communism.

But what has this 70 years meant? The best answer comes from the testimony of Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, the greatest living Russian writer, and winner of the 1970 Nobel Prize for literature.

Gorbachev criticized Josef Stalin, his predecessor in tyranny, for "gross political errors," for creating a "personality cult," and for subjecting "many thousands of people" (actually it was millions) "in wholesale repressive measures."

Gorbachev contrasted Stalin's defects with Lenin's perfect deeds: "Lenin and his comrades demonstrated the art of political guidance with extraordinary effect, producing a good lesson in the living dialectic of revolutionary thought and action."

That distinction between Lenin and Stalin is a lie, says Solzhenitsyn. "We may justifiably wonder whether 'Stalinism' is in fact a distinctive phenomenon" from Leninism.

Moreover, "All Stalin's present-day admirers, champions, and professional mourners in our own country, as well as his followers in China, adamantly insist that he was a faithful Leninist and never in any matter of consequence diverged from Lenin."

Solzhenitsyn adds a personal note: "The author of these lines, who in his day landed in jail (the Gulag slave labor camps) precisely because of his hatred of Stalin, whom he reproached with his departure from Lenin, must now admit that he cannot find, point to, or prove any substantial deviation."

The conclusion is unavoidable: Leninism = Stalinism = Gorbachevism. Despite the rhetoric intended to dupe Western liberals, including his bogus *glasnost* campaign, Gorbachev does exactly the same Leninist tenets as Stalin. Does Gorbachev implement them in a different way? That's only because today's circumstances differ from those of 1927 and 1937.

The question remains: Will the Soviet Union ever be reformed? Certainly not in the foreseeable future. Leninism-Stalinism-Gorbachevism rests too solidly on a foundation of tyranny and lies. But it can be transformed.

How? Solzhenitsyn prescribes this hard path of restoration for his countrymen: "We must reject lies on the spot, without thinking about the consequences for our salaries, or families, and our leisure for spreading the 'new culture.' We must reject lies without worrying whether others will follow in our footsteps and without looking around to see if the rest of the population is catching the habit."

Or as it's put in a Russian proverb often quoted by Solzhenitsyn: "One word of truth outweighs the whole world."

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"If the parents become too violent, please stop the game, OK?"

Sandinistas understand force

Since the Central American peace treaty was signed on Aug. 7, its prognosis has gone from hopeless to merely doubtful. Thanks to the tough negotiating of Costa Rican President Oscar Arias, the accord may turn out to be a real check on the main source of trouble — the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua. But the odds are still against success. The overriding danger is that the treaty will be treated by the U.S. Congress not as a means to peace and democracy but a substitute for them.

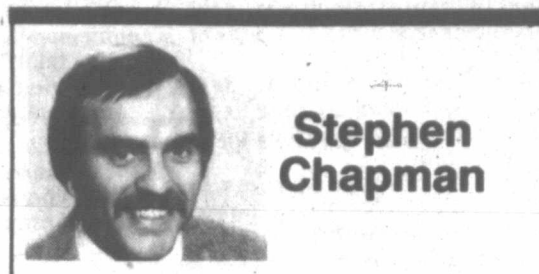
President Reagan, unwilling to invite blame for scuttling a settlement, is trying instead to shape it to the needs of the United States. What is needed is, first, a determination to bargain hard and second, a willingness to accept a less than ideal outcome. The problem is that while the administration is willing to bargain hard, it may not really want a deal. But Congress, by acting as a means to peace and democracy but a substitute for them.

Reagan wants to keep open the possibility of new aid to the Contras as a club in the closet. But House Speaker Jim Wright wants to rely entirely on sweet words. He says he wouldn't approve of Contra aid even if the treaty unravels.

The surprise is that it hasn't already. The immediate question is: How much the Sandinistas have done to comply with the peace accord? More than expected, but less than required.

They have taken some significant steps: Freeing nearly 1,000 political prisoners, permitting the opposition newspaper *La Prensa* to resume publishing, allowing the Catholic Church's radio station back on the air. On Nov. 5, the original deadline for compliance with the treaty, President Daniel Ortega announced that the government would negotiate with the Contras — but only through an intermediary and only for a ceasefire.

For every political prisoner released,



Stephen Chapman

through, nine remain in jail. The Sandinistas have not offered the broad amnesty that would encourage the rebels to lay down their rifles. They have barred Radio Catolica from airing news reports. They have ignored the request of a private business group to be allowed to start a television station to compete with the state-owned outlet.

In a country that was moving inexorably toward totalitarianism, any steps in the opposite direction are welcome. But these are easily reversible. The defect of the peace plan is that it would eliminate a crucial U.S. weapon — the Contras — while preserving all Sandinista options. *La Prensa* can be closed down two or three years from now if it proved too irritating. But the rebellion, once eliminated, will be hard to recreate.

The Sandinistas know that cooperating with the peace plan is the best bet to get rid of the Contras without sacrificing power. At worst, the Arias plan will force them to tolerate a substantial measure of internal pluralism and external scrutiny indefinitely. At best, it will only briefly postpone the full consummation of their revolution.

Which scenario is more likely? It depends on

the U.S. The Sandinistas want above all to avoid provoking direct American action. The implication of the accord is that if Managua reneges, its neighbors will ask for our intervention — or, at least, not oppose it. The more plausible that scenario, the more likely the Sandinistas will abide by the treaty.

The other U.S. leverage lies with the Contras. The civil war has battered Nicaragua's economy, which is suffering triple-digit inflation and severe shortages. Nearly half the government budget goes to the military. The Soviet Union, Managua's chief patron, has gotten stingier. Disenchanted Western European countries have slashed their aid.

In the past year the war has intensified, with the Contras sharply increasing their attacks and expanding their geographical base to include nearly the entire country. The Sandinistas, who also face considerable popular resentment, badly need a respite. For that they are willing to pay a price.

The task for the administration is to make that price as high as possible, without losing the sale. Nicaragua's neighbors, who think the treaty's democratic reforms are the best antidote to Sandinista troublemaking, will keep a close watch on Ortega's compliance. But the real danger to our interests, Managua's alliance with the Soviet bloc, is not addressed in the treaty. To defuse it, the administration will have to barter with the Sandinistas — or, less plausibly, with the Soviets.

Oscar Arias, no greenhorn, has said that he expects the treaty to fail because of Sandinista resistance. The best hope to save his work is a demonstrated U.S. willingness to defend its interests by the prudent use of force. The Sandinistas know the only ultimate obstacle to their plans is American power. How seriously they take it depends on Congress.

Today in history

Today is Thursday, Nov. 19, the 323rd day of 1987. There are 42 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: One hundred years ago, on Nov. 19, 1887, American poet Emma Lazarus died in New York at age 38. She is best remembered for her poem "The New Colossus," which she wrote in 1883 to help raise money for the Statue of Liberty's pedestal.

On this date: In 1794, the United States and Britain signed the Jay Treaty, which resolved some of the issues left over from the Revolutionary War.

In 1831, James Garfield, the 20th president of the United States, was born in Orange, Ohio.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln delivered his Gettysburg Address as he dedicated a national cemetery at the site of the civil war battlefield in Pennsylvania.

In 1917, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was born in Allahabad, India.

In 1919, the U.S. Senate rejected the Treaty of Versailles by a vote of 55-39.



Women must try on everything

When I shop for clothing, I keep it as simple as possible. I walk into a men's clothing store and say, "I would like to see some shirts, please." The salesperson points me to the shirts, and I say, "I'll take this one and that one."

I'm out of there in less than five minutes. Life is too short to spend much of it fussing over new clothing.

Recently it became my burden to accompany a young woman shopping. I won't bore you with the details of why I had to do this. Let us just say that no matter how hard a man tries to avoid going shopping with a woman, he eventually will be nailed.

It was a learning experience. I always thought women basically shopped like men. Not so. Women shop like they are on a mission from God.

"Banzai!" screamed the lady I was with when she entered the store.

What is this, I wondered. Samurai shopper?

The basic difference between male shoppers and female shoppers is that the latter group tries on everything in the store before it even comes close to making a decision about a purchase.

I've bought houses in less time than it takes a woman to shop for a skirt and blouse.



Lewis Grizzard

I would like to see inside a dressing room in a woman's clothing shop. It must be bigger than a warehouse. The woman I was with took something from every rack in the place and then disappeared into the back with two salespersons and the stock boy, each of whom had their arms filled with apparel.

She was gone for a month and then reappeared wearing a new outfit.

"How do you like this?" she asked. "What am I going to say? 'You look like Omar the Tentmaker in that thing.'"

Of course not. Say something like that and she will be gone another month.

"I love it," I said of her outfit.

"You really like it, or are you just saying that

so I will be finished shopping?"

Cunning devil, these people. "No," I replied. "I swear I really like it. In that outfit, you remind me of Gina Lollobrigida in one of those biblical movies."

That was the wrong thing to say. "Gina Lollobrigida was a cow," she said tartly and disappeared back into the warehouse.

She must have tried on 30 more outfits. Each time, she asked my opinion. Each time I said I thought she looked great, except for the time she came out in something that made her look like one of the Fruit of the Loom singers.

"Which one?" she asked. "The banana, I think," I answered.

What else takes a long time when a woman shops is that with each outfit she tries on, she must also find matching shoes, belts, necklaces and earrings. It's like trying to put together one of those picture puzzles of Mount Rushmore that come in a thousand pieces.

We were there for an eternity before she finally came out and said, "Let's go."

"You're not going to buy anything?" I asked in disbelief.

"I didn't like a single thing," she said.

I went home and took two Midol. In a couple of hours, I was fine.

Politicians add more lard to pork barrel

By Robert Walters

DENVER (NEA) — Although the Interior Department is phasing out its construction of extravagant water projects, politicians aren't about stop promoting public works boondoggles that place more emphasis on plumbing than policy.

The department's Bureau of Reclamation announced last month that it plans to virtually abandon the primary mission of its first 85 years — irrigating the arid West by constructing dams, aqueducts, canals and other massive public works projects.

Instead, the bureau will concentrate on assuring water quality, promoting water conservation and advancing other environmental causes — a drastic change for an agency that harnessed the Colorado, Columbia, Missouri and other rivers throughout the West.

The bureau will conclude work on the two major initiatives not scheduled to be finished until well into the 1990s, the Central Arizona Project and the Central Utah Project.)

As part of its far-reaching reorganization, the agency plans to move its headquarters from Washington, D.C. to Denver. At the same time, the bureau's staff of 8,000 will be slashed to 4,000.

Belatedly acknowledging the end of an era in which the Hoover, Grand Coulee, Shasta and other huge dams were built, the bureau says it now recognizes that such projects "are becoming increasingly difficult to justify from an economic, budgetary and environmental perspective." But politicians are far more resistant to relinquishing their "pork barrel" prerogatives, as illustrated by the odyssey of the Water and Power Authorization Act of 1987.

The legislation originated in the Senate, where it was a thinly disguised private relief bill sponsored by North Dakota's two senators to allow the community of Dickinson, N.D., to default on a legitimate debt.

The measure, as passed by the Senate, waived repayment of more than \$1 million that Dickinson owed the

Bureau of Reclamation to compensate for cost overruns associated with a municipal water supply project built by the agency.

In the House, interior committee rules require that a majority of its 41 members be present when it conducts any official business — but only eight were in attendance on the day the Senate bill was considered.

Without a quorum and without any hearings, the committee proceeded to load the Senate bill with members' favorite projects. Two examples: — An addition to the Oroville Tonsasket Irrigation Project in Washington state. The bureau earlier added pumps to a gravity-fed system of irrigation canals, only to discover that river silt left the pumps inoperable.

The \$17 million needed to remedy the problem will bring the total cost of the project to \$88 million.

— A 25-year extension of the contract governing the bureau's Grand Valley Reclamation Project in Colorado, perpetuating a dubious arrangement between two irrigation districts and the Public Service Company of

Colorado, a privately owned utility.

The reclamation project diverts more than 770,000 acre-feet of water from the Colorado River every year to irrigate crops. As a result, a 15-mile stretch of the river dries up periodically, endangering fish and wildlife.

When the measure reached the House floor, challenges to the Interior Committee's illegal procedure were summarily dismissed while legislators added even more water and power projects to the bill.

A House-Senate conference committee now must reconcile the differences between the two disparate bills — and White House officials have warned that President Reagan is likely to veto almost any bill that emerges.

Thus, it's possible that much of the legislators' mischief will be neutralized — but they still apparently don't understand the logical rationale for the bureau's reorganization: "Public values have changed over the years."

Nation

Negotiators inching toward deficit-cut accord

WASHINGTON (AP) — Talks between Congress and the White House on shrinking the deficit are snagged over details of the plan, but negotiators predict they will strike a deal before Friday's deadline.

The bargainers, set to hold a 19th closed-door session today, were hoping to shake hands on a proposal that would save about \$30 billion in fiscal 1988, which began Oct. 1, and at least \$45 billion more next year. About \$9 billion in new taxes this year, and more next year, would be included.

But the negotiators still have several persistent problems to solve, including the threat that even if they reach an agreement, the House or Senate might

reject it. Liberals have complained that more military cuts are needed, while conservatives want more reductions in domestic programs and fewer taxes.

"There is no plan, believe me, that is going to be passed uniformly," said Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La., after Wednesday's meeting in the Capitol.

Even some members of the bargaining teams have been openly critical of the package that has been emerging, complaining that many of the savings are of the one-shot variety and that even more red ink should be eliminated.

"We had a chance for beefsteak, and we end up with gruel," said Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore. Treasury Secretary James A. Baker

III, one of the negotiators, said, "We continue to make a little progress. We're slugging away."

Without agreement by Friday, \$23 billion in spending cuts would automatically be triggered under the Gramm-Rudman deficit reduction law, half in domestic programs and half in defense.

A growing number of lawmakers say, however, that if an agreement is reached, Congress will be asked to pass legislation extending that deadline until mid-December.

Participants said there are remaining disagreements over the precise size of the new taxes and defense reductions, as well as a continuing insistence by administration bargainers that they

have some say on the types of taxes that would be raised. Lawmakers want to leave that decision up to congressional committees.

There also remains uncertainty over how to ensure that agreements reached among the negotiators over spending cuts can be translated into legislation, without being changed during the law-making process.

In addition, some participants said that for technical reasons, from \$500 million to \$1 billion of the reductions might have to be changed to ensure that the package meets the minimum savings required by Gramm-Rudman.

The proposal under discussion would slash \$2.6 billion from domestic prog-

rams such as law enforcement and highway projects, \$2 billion from Medicare, and another \$1.6 billion from farm price supports, student loans and other benefit programs.

The Pentagon would receive \$285.5 billion, \$4.9 billion short of keeping pace with inflation.

The Treasury would receive \$5 billion by allowing rural electrical cooperatives to repay federal loans early, \$1.6 billion from tougher tax collection and \$1.4 billion from new procedures for selling Veterans Administration loans and from pension premium changes.

Treasury also would receive \$400 million from higher fees charged for federal services, and save \$1.3 billion from lower interest payments on the debt that result from deficit-cutting.

Court orders reinstatement of teacher with AIDS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — An AIDS-stricken teacher barred from the classroom could return Friday following the first federal appeals court ruling that job discrimination against AIDS victims is prohibited by laws protecting the disabled.

Wednesday's 3-0 ruling by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals involving Vincent Chalk was praised by a civil liberties attorney as offering all AIDS victims the hope of leading productive lives in their final days.

Chalk, 43, was in New Mexico when he received the news.

"We called Vince in New Mexico, and he's so thrilled. He can't wait to get back in the classroom and teach," said Georgia Garrett-Norris, one of his lawyers.

"He said he knows it won't be easy for the Orange County Department of Education to let him back in the classroom, and he wants to make it as painless as possible."

Another of his lawyers, Joel Loquvam, said Chalk will go back to work Friday, if he is able. Loquvam didn't elaborate on Chalk's physical condition.

A school official said Chalk would be welcomed back.

The ruling was the first by any federal appeals court on the issue of job discrimination against victims of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

"Although handicapped, (Chalk) is otherwise qualified to perform his job within the meaning of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973," the court said.

Chalk taught hearing-impaired children in the suburban Los Angeles school district for seven years but was barred from returning to class this fall because he had been diagnosed with AIDS.

But the appeals court, reversing a ruling by U.S. District Judge William Gray of Los Angeles, said Chalk poses no risk.

"This is going to offer (AIDS victims) a lot of protection and hope that they are going to be able to lead productive lives even when they have this terrible problem," said American Civil Liberties Union lawyer Paul Hoffman, another of Chalk's lawyers.

Orange County Education Superintendent Robert Peterson said Chalk is welcome to return to work anytime.

"We will be pleased to have him back as soon as he wants to come back," Peterson told The Orange County Register. "We never did have any animosity for Chalk. We needed direction from another authority."

Dr. Thomas Prendergast, the Orange County epidemiologist who certified Chalk was well enough to work, said the ruling should help lead to a consistent policy in dealing with such cases.

Chalk was diagnosed as having AIDS in February, when he was hospitalized with pneumonia. His doctor cleared him to return to work in April.

The county referred the question to Prendergast, who in May said Chalk's presence in the classroom would not endanger students.

Chalk remained on leave until August, when his application to return to work was rejected by the county.

In September, Gray refused to overturn the decision, saying he could not be "absolutely certain" that the students were free of risk. He cited a statement by a cancer specialist's prediction that doctors would discover currently unknown ways by which AIDS can be transmitted.

But Chalk's lawyers cited overwhelming medical evidence showing AIDS can be transmitted only in blood or semen, usually exchanged through sexual intercourse, intravenous drug use, transfusions of infected blood or within the womb of a pregnant woman.

Snowy day walk



Wet snow enshrouds a man as he walks a horse Wednesday at the national Quarter Horse Show at the fairgrounds in Oklahoma City. Light snow fell throughout most of Oklahoma Wednesday.

White House tries to curb GOP revolt over Gorbachev speech to Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republican leaders are negotiating with the White House to end a party revolt over a plan for Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to address a joint meeting of Congress.

At least 75 House members, mostly Republicans, signed a letter urging President Reagan to find another forum in which Gorbachev could speak with members of Congress during the Dec. 7-10 summit in Washington.

A leader of the GOP revolt, Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., said a meeting Wednesday of the House Republican Conference, the party caucus, turned into "one hell of a donnybrook" over the White House invitation for Gorbachev to address a joint meeting Dec. 9.

Gorbachev would be the first communist leader ever to address a joint meeting of Congress. If that happens, Dornan said, "I and 100 others will walk out."

The top three Republicans in the House — Minority Leader Robert Michel of Illinois, Minority Whip Trent Lott of Mississippi and Dick Cheney of Wyoming — were talking with White House officials to forestall more embarrassment, House members and aides said.

"Most Republican members feel very strongly that the invitation to speak to a joint session is a high honor that should not be extended to the head of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union," said Cheney, chairman of the GOP caucus.

But the White House showed no signs of backing down.

Michel sought to calm the waters when the issue erupted into emotional debate on the House floor Wednesday evening, as conservative Republicans asked Reagan to withdraw the invitation and Democrats urged Con-

gress to open its doors to Gorbachev.

"People are quite aware of the strong feelings," Michel told the House.

The minority leader did not indicate his sympathies. But he echoed the White House argument that a session between Gorbachev and Congress could help the Senate in considering a treaty on Intermediate Nuclear Forces that the two leaders are expected to sign at the summit.

In the floor debate, which did not produce a vote, Democratic Rep. Kenneth Gray of Illinois urged Congress to "open the doors" to Gorbachev.

Rep. Robert S. Walker, R-Pa., said he had collected 45 signatures on a letter asking Reagan to find another forum for members of Congress to meet with Gorbachev. One of Walker's aides said the list swelled to at least 75 by late afternoon.

Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., a conservative presidential candidate, called the invitation a "scandalous travesty," and proposed that "members of Congress be provided the opportunity to ask direct questions of Mr. Gorbachev" outside the House chamber where joint meetings are held.

House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, criticized those who promised to walk out of a joint meeting.

"I can't imagine that kind of a thing," the speaker told reporters. "There is an atmosphere of civility that must be maintained."

New York case raises questions about adoption system nationally

By The Associated Press

It's a legal process designed to protect a most precious commodity: children. But the nation's private adoption system, critics say, is filled with loopholes, open to abuse and ripe for change.

The tragic case of Elizabeth Steinberg, a 6-year-old New York girl whose death touched the nation, has stirred debate and raised questions about whether the system does enough to prevent exploitation.

Elizabeth was given up at birth to lawyer Joel Steinberg, who promised to find her a stable home. But a lawyer for the girl's mother says Steinberg and his live-in companion simply kept the child, after a prospective adoptive family refused to pay \$50,000 for her.

Steinberg and his companion, Hedda Nussbaum, are charged with murder. Elizabeth's death was

attributed to repeated blows to the head and body.

This case, some say, illustrates how private adoptions — those arranged outside established agencies — can go awry because of too many legal loopholes and too few safeguards to ensure children's welfare.

"The Steinberg case is an extreme example, but it points to what can happen in any potential independent adoption," said Jeff Rosenberg, adoption services director at the National Committee for Adoption. "It points out the need for some real changes in our adoption system."

"Nobody," he said, "should be able to take custody of a child before being professionally evaluated."

"To take a freaky thing like this and say this is why private adoptions are not good is not just," said David Keene Leavitt, a Beverly Hills, Calif., lawyer.



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Worries send Mexican peso currency reeling

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The value of the Mexican peso currency tumbled about 30 percent on the free market in a spectacular one-day plunge apparently driven by investors worried about uncertainty in the financial markets.

At the same time Wednesday, the stock market, which fell a record level earlier in the week, rebounded and soared 26.6 percent, its biggest gain ever.

"The exchange rate panic drove out the stock market panic," said a prominent financial analyst who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The dizzying plunge in the value of the peso occurred after the Bank of Mexico, the nation's central bank, decided not to supply dollars to support the free-market rate, which is used in tourism and most transactions along the U.S.-Mexico border.

"We simply left the free rate to find

its equilibrium level," said a government financial official, who demanded anonymity. "We stopped selling in the free market."

Jonathan Heath, senior economist with the Mexican forecasting firm of MACRO Asesoría Económica, said the central bank "decided to excuse itself from the free exchange rate market."

"There's no fundamental reason right now for devaluation of the peso," he added.

Treasury Secretary Gustavo Petricoli was scheduled to appear before the national legislature on Thursday.

At the close of business Wednesday, the peso currency at private exchange houses in Mexico City stood at 2,200 to the dollar for those wanting to exchange a dollar for pesos.

For those wanting to buy a dollar, the posted rate was 2,500 at private trading houses, but many of the firms tempo-

arily suspended sales of dollars. At the nationalized banks, the free market rate was 2,250-2,275.

There were reports the peso slipped even more, to 3,000 at some exchange houses along the U.S.-Mexico border.

The exchange rate at private trading houses on Tuesday was 1,712.50-1,714. The government regulates a second rate, called the controlled rate, which is used in 80 percent of commercial transactions. That rate was running at about 1,697-1,723 on Wednesday.

Analysts said the Bank of Mexico's decision to refrain from providing dollars to support the free rate caused uncertainty in the financial markets, reduced the supply of dollars and drove up the cost of dollars, thereby reducing the value of the peso.

Private exchange houses were reported to have stopped selling dollars to buyers, and the nationalized banking

system also temporarily suspended dollar trading with the public in late morning.

Analysts said that investors, frightened by the sharp fall in the Mexican stock exchange, had begun in recent weeks to get out of the stock market and turn their peso assets into dollars.

They also said some corporations were buying more dollars to pay their foreign debts.

The central bank had been supplying dollars in recent days to meet the additional demand, analysts said.

But, said the government official, "we figured out that given our goals on the balance of payments and the foreign reserves, we should stop selling."

By bowing out of the free market, the central bank is conserving its international reserves, estimated at more than \$14 billion. It has been cautious about spending that money, built up this year

through greater exports and loans from foreign banks.

With Wednesday's shortage of dollars, investors apparently returned to the stock market to snap up good buys.

The stock market's Index of Prices and Quotations closed Wednesday at 120,873.59, up a record 26.6 percent. The index, the main gauge of activity in the stock market, is made up of the prices of stocks of 52 major companies.

On Monday, the stock market plunged a record 18.3 percent and slipped an additional 8.9 percent on Tuesday.

The Mexican market, which has been one of the world's star performers, was hard hit by the Oct. 19 collapse of stock exchanges in New York and other major cities.

From a peak of 873,216.24 on Oct. 6, the market at Tuesday's close had lost 74.4 percent of its value.

Oil futures finish higher

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil futures have bounced back after a heavy selloff stemming from continued worries about burgeoning crude oil stocks and signs of growing production.

In a volatile session Wednesday, crude prices hit three-month lows in early trading, but wound up closing sharply higher.

The December contract for West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark grade of U.S. crude oil, dropped as much as 35 cents before bouncing higher to close at \$18.64 per barrel, up 24 cents from Tuesday's close.

Refined products on the exchange were mixed, also in volatile trading.

Wholesale unleaded gasoline fell as much as 1.09 cents a gallon before rebounding to close .31 cent higher at 49.40 cents a gallon. Wholesale heating oil fell .26 to close at 54.94 a gallon.

Futures opened sharply lower on what analysts called bearish sentiment stemming from monthly inventory figures by the American Petroleum Institute, released after the close of trading Tuesday.

The report noted crude oil stocks were 2.1 percent higher in October than a year earlier and almost 5 percent higher than in September, an indication that supply was slightly outpacing demand.

Heightening concerns raised by the report was continuing uncertainty about production by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

There have been reports that the 13 OPEC nations were producing as much as 2.4 million barrels over their self-imposed 16.6 million barrel daily production limit.

There also has been speculation that at its scheduled meeting next month in Vienna, Austria, OPEC might raise its daily production ceiling to a range of 18.7 million to 19.1 million barrels.

Double agent appears on TV for first time

LONDON (AP) — Double agent Kim Philby appeared on Soviet television for the first time and accused Western intelligence of provoking Latvian opposition to Soviet rule, the British Broadcasting Corp. said.

Philby, whose defection from Britain to the Soviet Union 24 years ago confirmed massive Soviet penetration of Western intelligence, appeared Wednesday in a four-minute interview in the Soviet republic of Latvia.

He looked "more like a Cambridge don in retirement than a traitor in exile," the BBC said.

Philby, 75, was the "third man" with the late Guy Burgess and Donald Maclean. The three came out of Cambridge University in the 1930s and betrayed British and American secrets for decades until they fled to the Soviet Union.

A segment of the interview broadcast on the BBC showed Philby speaking English, but only a few words were heard and then a voiceover in Russian reported his remarks.

A KGB officer interviewing Philby called him "Comrade Kim."

"Philby is saying that Western intelligence encouraged Latvian exiles to oppose Soviet control of their country and attempted to recruit them as agents," the BBC report said.

On Wednesday, thousands of Latvians protesting the takeover of their homeland by the Soviet Union 47 years ago reportedly fought Soviet authorities who tried to block the demonstrations.

Philby's contacts with Westerners have been scarce since he went over to Moscow in 1963. Philby is thought to hold the rank of KGB colonel, and received the Order of Lenin award for his services to Moscow.

Stars smokeout on Broadway



Mr. Potato Head watches actress Amelia Prentice, who plays Ashley Smoking Car in the Broadway show *Starlight Express*, break a cigarette at a gathering of celebrities Wednesday to urge a citywide cigarette stoppage in New York for the 11th Annual Great American Smokeout today.

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Jessica McClure to leave hospital Friday

MIDLAND (AP) — Jessica McClure is scheduled to go home Friday after spending more than a month at Midland Memorial Hospital, a hospital spokeswoman says.

The 19-month-old girl has been at the hospital since she was rescued Oct. 16 from her 58-hour confinement in an abandoned water well. She was being treated for pressure injuries to her forehead and right foot.

For a time, doctors feared they might have had to amputate the right foot. But her right little toe was amputated Nov. 4, and doctors say she'll be able to walk normally.

She still will be wearing a splint on her right leg

when she leaves the hospital, hospital spokeswoman Laurie Johnson said Wednesday.

"She's doing real well," Ms. Johnson said. "I saw her today and she looked great."

Ms. Johnson said hospital bills will be paid with donations designated for that purpose. Jessica's parents, Chip and Cissy McClure, have received thousands of dollars in undesigned donations that they have said they plan to spend on their daughter's education.

Volunteers dug through solid rock to reach Jessica, who came to rest 22 feet deep into the 8-inch well pipe. The rescue was televised live nationally.

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Report hits Meese

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Edwin Meese III's failure to keep records and seal Oliver L. North's offices raises the possibility that he participated in a cover-up to protect President Reagan, according to Congress' Iran-Contra report.

The report issued Wednesday as Meese spent more than four hours before a federal grand jury probing his role in the Iran-Contra affair. The grand jury is hearing evidence in the criminal investigation being conducted by independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh.

The congressional Iran-Contra committee's 690-page report said Meese "departed from standard investigative techniques" during his November 1986 investigation of the affair.

The report said Meese never asked then-CIA Director William Casey about the diversion of profits from the administration's secret Iran arms sales to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels. It also says he waited two days to speak to then-national security adviser John M. Poindexter "and then did not ask him what the president knew."

The report also says he "waited too long" to seal the offices of North, the National Security

Council aide who coordinated the secret sale of U.S. arms to Iran and the diversion of profits to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels. As a result, it said, North was able to shred many documents relating to the activities.

Meese was told of the diversion — the first indication of possible criminality — the day after launching his weekend inquiry of the Iranian arms sales, and "the attorney general's methodology for conducting the inquiry changed at this point," the report said.

"Before discovery of the diversion memorandum, all interviews were conducted by the attorney general with another Justice Department official, and notes were taken," according to the report. "Thereafter, with the exception of the North interview, all interviews conducted by Meese were one-on-one, with no notes taken" — including interviews of Casey, former national security adviser Robert C. McFarlane, Poindexter, White House chief of staff Donald T. Regan and Vice President George Bush.

Meese refused to speak with reporters about the report, but his actions were defended by a minority of the congressional panel.

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Consultants reaped huge profits in Iran arms deal

WASHINGTON (AP)—Lt. Col. Oliver North's private network to raise weapons money for the Contras ended up reaping huge profits for a small group of consultants—who kept or used for expenses more than half the \$10 million raised, the Iran-Contra congressional report showed Wednesday.

Among the lavish expenditures paid from the contributions from wealthy conservatives was the rental of a private plane to fly North and his family for a weekend at the Connecticut estate of Barbara Newington, one of the biggest contributors to North's fund-raising captain, Carl "Spitz" Channell.

The report confirmed that Newington and another wealthy widow, Ellen Garwood of Texas, accounted for more than half the \$10.3 million that Channell collected in 1985 and 1986.

On another occasion, Channell rented a private plane to fly North to Texas to

solicit funds from silver magnate Nelson Bunker Hunt.

Channell headed up the fund-raising operation, dependent almost entirely on a dozen rich conservatives, along with public relations consultant Richard Miller, who according to the report convinced North to allow his firm to take a 10 percent commission on the donations he funneled to the Contras through offshore accounts.

Both Miller and Channell are awaiting sentencing for their pleas to one count of conspiracy to defraud the government by raising money for Contra weapons through use of Channell's tax-exempt foundation.

The report by the Iran-Contra investigating committees provides additional detail on the fund-raising operation that has been publicized through news accounts and public testimony before the committees.

The report states unequivocally that the Channell-Miller operation focused on weapons money for the Contras, and that North helped them by meeting with donors and explaining the military needs of the rebel forces in Nicaragua.

A transcript made by Channell aide Daniel Conrad at a meeting with Texas contributor John Ramsey indicated a lengthy discussion of weapons, according to the report. Ramsey wanted to set up a "Shotgun Drive" to get Americans to contribute their old shotguns to the rebels.

But Miller and Channell, in the transcript, emphasized the need for Red Eye missiles, AK-47 rifle rounds and communications equipment, and discussed their prices.

Miller was quoted as saying: "If you provide money for boots, what they've

set aside for boots can go to ammunition."

Ramsey eventually gave 50,000. But most of the money that the Miller-Channell operation raised in 1985 and 1986 stayed with the fund raisers.

"Of the \$10 million that was raised, only approximately \$4.5 million was funneled to, or spent on behalf of, the Contras, including more than \$1 million for political advertising and lobbying," the report said.

Some of the money did not go directly to the Contras but was funneled through the Swiss account, Lake Resources, that North used to pay for the secret network supplying the Contras and also for the money from the clandestine U.S. arms sales to Iran.

The 10 percent commission obtained by Miller and his associate Frank Gomez, plus the fees Channell paid

them to raise and disburse the funds, came to more than \$1.7 million for them and their company, International Business Communications, the report said.

Another 5 percent of the total raised went to two consultants, former Reagan aide David Fischer and attorney Martin Artiano, retained at least in part to set up sessions at the White House for some of the top contributors to meet President Reagan, the report said.

They were paid a total of more than \$650,000, the report said, citing disparate testimony among the principals as to whether they got \$50,000 per meeting they arranged or a monthly retainer of \$20,000 or more.

Channell paid himself compensation in 1985 and 1986 of \$345,000 and his assistant Dan Conrad more than \$270,000, "extraordinary earnings for nonprofit fund raisers," the report said.

Woman slain, set afire by husband

DALLAS (AP) — Police say a Dallas man left a newspaper article as a suicide note when he shot his ex-wife to death, set her body on fire and turned the gun on himself.

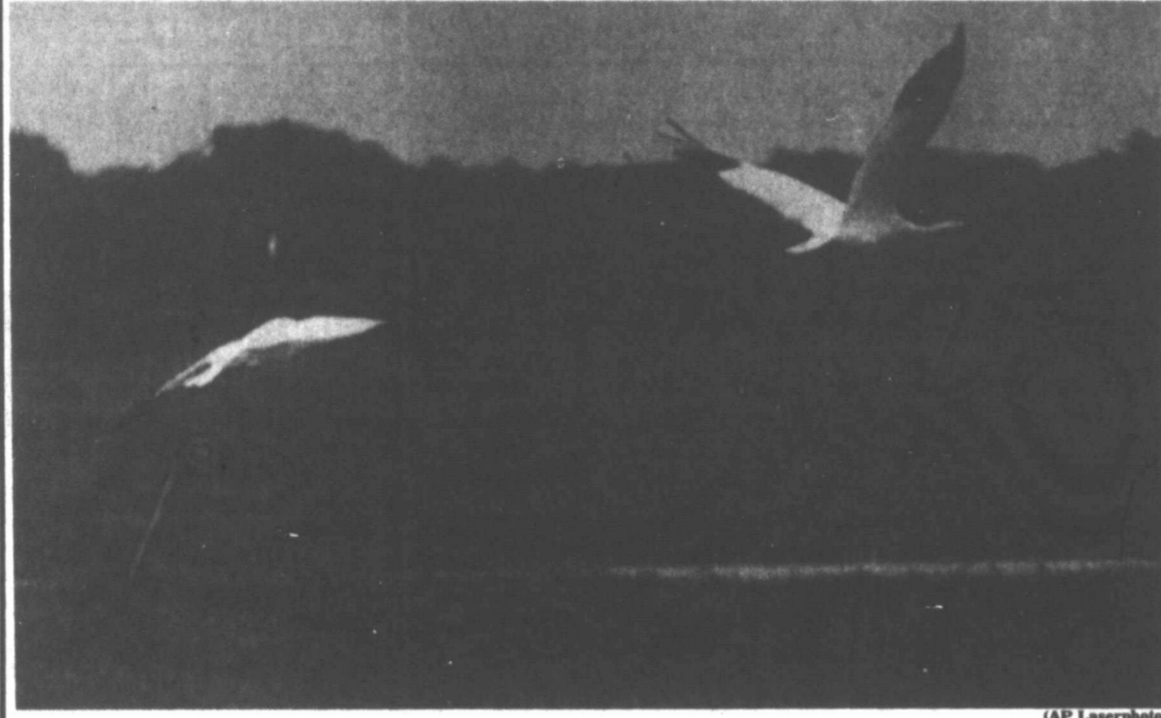
Elizabeth Elaine Harris, 33, died of several gunshot wounds to the head, police said. Willie Harris, 38, was in critical condition at Parkland Hospital today where he was being treated for a gunshot wound to the head and third-degree burns, authorities said.

Police said they found a newspaper article about an Arlington man who shot his estranged fiancée to death before turning the gun on himself inside a pickup truck in an Arlington park last Sunday.

The victims were found Wednesday inside a burning automobile outside the Red Cross office where Mrs. Harris worked as a typist.

Cynthia Davis, the dead woman's sister, told police that Harris had pulled a knife and threatened to kill Mrs. Harris two months ago. Ms. Davis said Harris had been despondent since the couple separated in 1986 and he had on several occasions followed her to work and argued with her.

Whoopers return



Two whooping cranes start in flight at the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge Wednesday. They are two of the 95 adults and 21 chicks that have arrived after their yearly migration from Canada.

Comanche Peak moves closer to operating

ARLINGTON (AP) — A program for correcting design and construction problems at the over-budget Comanche Peak nuclear power plant may be approved, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission says.

The NRC will make a decision after public hearings tentatively scheduled for Dec. 9 in Dallas, said Jane Axelrad, deputy director of the commission's Office of Special Projects.

In a memorandum dated Nov. 6 and made public Tuesday, an NRC official says he found the TU Electric's three-year review of the plant acceptable with some relatively minor conditions. The memo was written by James Keppler, director of the NRC's Office of Special Projects.

The plant, about 80 miles southwest of Dallas in Somervell County, was begun nearly 13 years ago but has yet to generate power. Its estimated cost increased from \$779 million to \$7.5 billion. At

least some of the overruns are likely to be passed on to rate payers.

The design and construction of the plant repeatedly have been questioned, frustrating the utility's attempts to win a license.

"The purpose of the public meeting is to get on the table between the NRC and the licensee any residual concerns that the staff has regarding the licensee's program and any concerns that the intervenors have regarding the licensee's program," Ms. Axelrad said.

Juanita Ellis of Dallas, leading a challenge against Comanche Peak, conceded that TU Electric had made progress toward generating commercial electricity at the nuclear plant.

"It doesn't mean they've got a license yet," she said.

After the hearing, the NRC will decide whether to approve the review program or ask TU Electric to fulfill other conditions.

Thomas P. 'Tip' O'Neill recovering from cancer surgery

BOSTON (AP) — The surgeon who removed a golfball-sized tumor from the bowel of former House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill said no further cancer was detected during surgery, although final test results are expected by Friday.

On Monday, Wilson disclosed that O'Neill had cancer and predicted a successful operation because it was detected early. In such cases, 77 percent of patients survive at least five years, according to statistics.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Actress
 - 4 Went quickly
 - 8 Exude
 - 12 Over (poet.)
 - 13 Ship of the Argonauts
 - 14 Similar in kind
 - 15 Compass point
 - 16 Broke
 - 17 Inner (comb. form)
 - 18 Unsuccessful car
 - 20 Transgress
 - 22 Romaine
 - 23 Card spot
 - 25 Set of garments
 - 27 Collector (of facts, etc.)
 - 31 Parts of speech
 - 34 Trouble
 - 35 Horse directives
 - 37 Russian river
 - 38 Cut
 - 40 Invasion
 - 42 Uncle
 - 43 Rugged guy (comp. wd.)
 - 45 Slumbered
 - 47 Jacket
 - 49 Part of the psyche
 - 50 Landers
 - 52 Egyptian deity
 - 54 Customs
 - 58 Uses chair
 - 60 Actress Merrill
 - 62 Bird (comb. form)
 - 63 Resin-producing tree
 - 64 Crazy
 - 65 Turkish cap
 - 66 Game played on horseback
 - 67 Charitable org.
 - 68 Three (pref.)
- DOWN**
- 1 First rate (2 wds.)
 - 2 Peddle
 - 3 War god
 - 4 Tree
 - 5 Big leaguer
 - 6 Conceals
 - 7 Actress Day
 - 8 Compass point
 - 9 Tire problems
 - 10 Opp. of No. 17
 - 11 "Who"
 - 19 Environment
 - 21 Convent inmate
 - 24 British nobleman
 - 26 Paper of indebtedness
 - 27 Incision
 - 28 Telephone wire
 - 29 Basic
 - 30 Scan
 - 32 Appellation
 - 33 Arctic vehicle
 - 36 Male parent
 - 39 Dine
 - 41 Beliefs
 - 44 Head
 - 46 Make love to
 - 48 Donkey
 - 50 Pronto (abbr.)
 - 51 Actor Robert De
 - 53 Anna and the King of
 - 55 Lifeboat
 - 56 At all times
 - 57 Magnitude
 - 59 Theater sign (abbr.)
 - 61 Gridder group (abbr.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Astro-Graph

The year ahead appears to be one of exceptional promise, especially in areas where you can assert yourself creatively. The use of your keen imagination will help fulfill your ambitious objectives.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) An interesting development is stirring for you careerwise: There could be a sudden shift that will enable you to substantially increase your earnings. Major changes are ahead for Scorpios 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.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) In order to advance your personal interests today, you may have to be a trifle bolder than usual. Don't be afraid to take a chance if you're sure the odds are in your favor.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A situation about which you've been concerned looks like it's going to work out today. It might even pave the way for something good you haven't anticipated.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A condition on which you didn't figure could eclipse your present expectations. Don't fret; the new program will be better than the one it replaces.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Dawn is breaking on your financial horizon today. Money could soon loosen up for you through the opening of a previously untapped channel.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Something promising is in the offing for you at this time. Others will be involved, but the mechanism for reaping rewards will be in your hands.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Beneficial changes of which you might not be fully aware are occurring today. However, you'll learn of them at the proper time, from the proper people.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) An ally you've made will prove his or her worth to you in this present cycle. This person's actions will help you appreciate the value of a true friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Opportunities will soon prevail in areas which were previously rather dismal careerwise. Be ready to make the most of what Lady Luck offers.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Something in which you're presently involved can be more efficiently organized at this time. It will produce the results for which you've been hoping.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your financial aspects look extremely promising at this time, provided you diligently pursue situations that can produce personal gains.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Partnership arrangements into which you enter in this period should prove mutually advantageous. Team up with allies who take their responsibilities seriously.

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Lifestyles

Voluptuous, body-conscious fashions are back in style

By MARY MARTIN NIEPOLD
Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

The voluptuous look is in. It's been a long time since quite so much flesh has been showing on quite so many different parts of the body. Today, more and more women of all ages are saying yes to fashions that display what once was reserved for sultry movies and Cosmopolitan covers.

V-necks, wrap fronts, off-the-shoulder and backless styles — all these major skin-barers are back. Thighs and knees are in view again as skirts creep higher, and midriffs are showing under cropped tops.

Madonna, who made wardrobe staples out of bustiers and garter belts, deserves her own throne in lingerie heaven. But are these provocative styles just for the young?

Not on your well-worked-out or surgically redefined body.

"The world wants to look attractive. The world wants to look young," says Dr. Julius Newman on a recent "20-20" television broadcast.

Newman, president of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgeons, is one of more than 2,800 cosmetic and plastic surgeons in the United States. He and his colleagues accommodate the growing number of women who undergo two of the most popular forms of surgical redefinition — liposuction (fat removal) and breast augmentation (enlargement).

After nose jobs, thinner thighs and larger breasts are the favored cosmetic operations. According to the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons, there were almost 100,000 breast augmentations in 1986. Liposuction, the procedure that Newman coined and began performing in 1982, is skyrocketing.

"In a period of five years, it's become the second most common cosmetic procedure," he says. "Today, in the U.S., we're probably talking about over 200,000 cases per year."

Whether fashions follow women's preferences or women follow fashion's cue, we're definitely seeing more exposed flesh and hourglass shapes. Bared thighs and body-hugging dresses and jackets have already been approved by women across the country for winter. For spring, the message is even shorter and curvier.

Bill Blass, always the confectioner of curvy shapes for evening, underlines the same direction for daytime styles. In his spring collection, he showed thigh-skimming, fitted dresses with low fronts and sundress-strapped backs. The softly col-



Curvy and sexy is the current fashion message — from lingerie to evening wear. Above, left, Vanity Fair's bustier with four removable, adjustable garters (\$45) and full nylon crinoline with point d'esprit yoke (\$34). Above, right, Bill Blass' strapless bell-shaped black dress in lace over black taffeta (\$3,500), accented with a tulle stole trimmed in shirred horsehair; and at right, Blass' racy red strapless with gros de Londres bow and push-on sleeves trimmed in red lace (\$4,350).



ored plaids almost look corporate when topped with matching short jackets.

None of this, of course, has been lost on the lingerie industry.

"The bust is back," says Jan Still-Lindeman, representative for Vanity Fair.

"Women have worked hard on their bodies; they're proud of them. Today, sexuality can be an expression just for one's self."

"You can see it in the fitness and lingerie boom. Women are pampering themselves because they work very hard; they want something soft and silky next to their bodies."

"During the last couple of years, we had all those boxy jackets and trousers. Weren't we hiding our bodies?" says Philadelphia psychotherapist Liesa Steinberg. "Now looking feminine is another expression of emancipation for a woman."

"The irony," she says, "is that today we can dress more independently; we have more financial independence; and we're restricted ultimately by AIDS." Whatever the restrictions,

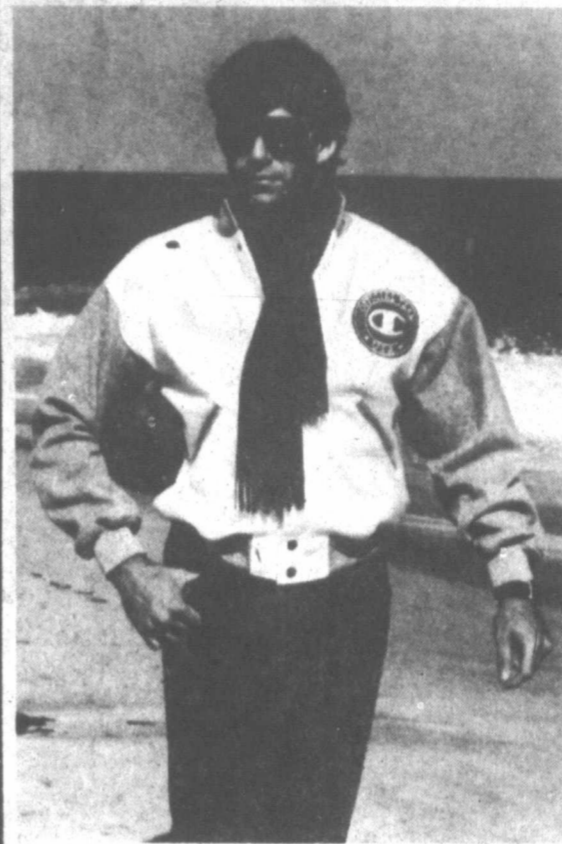
women seem quite content to show more of their bodies. Probably, the trend to provocative fashions and silky lingerie merely reflects women's desire to please themselves.

Regardless of how conservative they choose to look on the outside, women can still go undercover at work with some of the laiciest lingerie seen in years. Teddies, tap pants, camisoles, shorter petticoats, bustiers, garter belts, bikinis and seductive bras abound in feminine laces and satins. With slinky knit skirts and dresses still dominating the fashion spectrum for spring, women will also find more stretch lace and contoured bras to smooth curves.

"Women have seized control of what they're wearing," Gloria Steinem, editor of Ms. magazine, said recently.

And age is no restriction in this show-your-femininity rage. "The newest trend in cosmetic surgery," says Newman, "is for older women, from 50 on up, coming in to look younger."

Fleece fashions



Sportswear has to be more than comfortable; it has to be colorful and fun. Patches carrying messages and insignia are making their appearance on football jackets and fleece coordinates. Indoors or out, the im-

prints add pizzazz. Left, football jacket by Champion, a member of the National Outerwear and Sportswear Association; right, pull-on Yukon Rescue Team jacket by Jockey International.

Pictures worth more words than second wife can stand

DEAR ABBY: This letter is in regard to "Steaming in Georgia," who had passed around a family album for visiting relatives to enjoy. She observed one "in-law" looking at two pictures of her husband and his first wife for a very long time. Then after everyone had left, she noticed that those two pictures had been removed from the album. "Steamed" was sure Wife No. 2 had taken them, and asked how to handle that situation at the next family gathering. You suggested she stand guard while guests looked at the album. Not very helpful, Abby.

I am also Wife No. 2, whose mother-in-law keeps pictures of her son and Wife No. 1 in an album permanently displayed on her coffee table. This offended me. After six years, I finally told my husband how I felt about it. It wasn't as though his mother didn't have any pictures of her son and me together. After all, we have taken her on several vacation trips with us, and took plenty of pictures, which she has — but none are in her album. Couldn't you have said a few words in defense of Wife No. 2?

J.O. IN MINNESOTA

DEAR J.O.: I could have, and I should have. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Why did both "Steamed in Georgia" and you assume that the two pictures re-



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

moved from the album were lifted by Wife No. 2?

When my second wife and I were visiting my mother, I noticed that her family albums contained pictures of me and Wife No. 1, but none of me and my present wife, so I removed those pictures from the album, gave Mom a big hug and promised to replace them with some new ones of me and my present wife. What could she have done?

LIVING IN THE PRESENT

DEAR LIVING: She could have given you a belt in the chops and ordered you to keep your paws off her album. But I'm glad she didn't.

DEAR ABBY: I would suggest that "Steamed" use a little better

judgment in the future, and remove — ahead of time — any pictures that could be offensive or hurtful to her guests.

As the wife of a divorced man, I know exactly how Wife No. 2 must have felt. True, the "in-law" had no right to remove those pictures, but she shouldn't have been subjected to them in the first place.

If anyone has the right to be steamed, I say it's Wife No. 2.

WIFE NO. 3

DEAR ABBY: I'll get right to the point. I am planning to marry "Audrey" soon. I love her very much. I would like to have my friend "Stewart" be my best man. I've known him for 18 years, and we have always been the best of friends. The problem: Audrey and Stewart were lovers at one time.

I don't want either one of them to be uncomfortable. What should I do?

CHICAGOAN

DEAR CHICAGOAN: Don't agonize over it. Ask Audrey how she feels about Stewart being your best man. If she has any negative feelings, ask someone else. If she's agreeable, ask Stewart. If he's willing, no problem.

Dumas bazaar opens Friday

DUMAS — The Moore County Art Association will hold its 27th annual Moore County Art Bazaar Friday through Sunday, Nov. 20-22, in the Dumas Community Building at 16th and Maddox Streets.

Featured in the exhibit will be work of artists from over the Panhandle area, Colorado, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

The bazaar will open at 4 p.m. Friday, with an evening meal of chili, beans and dessert served between 5 and 8 p.m. The bazaar will close at 10 p.m. Friday.

Saturday, events begin at 10 a.m. with cinnamon rolls and coffee served. Sandwiches and de-

sert will be provided between 12 and 2 p.m., and a country supper will be served between 5 and 8 p.m., when the bazaar closes for the day.

On Sunday, a turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served between 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. The bazaar will continue until 5 p.m.

Booths will include a gift wrap booth, Christmas cards to benefit Panhandle Cancer Center, door prizes of art work valued at \$25 and up, and booths by the Girl Scouts, Senior Citizens, Espirit, Etc. Study Club, Lambda-Omicron Club and Meals on Wheels.



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Sports

Dawson MVP

By PHYLLIS MENSING
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Cubs' Andre Dawson, who began the season unwanted, ended it by being named the Most Valuable Player in the National League.

While the Cubs were failing and falling to last place in the NL East, Dawson was stunning — leading the majors with 137 runs batted in and tying for the lead with 49 home runs.

"I would wake up in the morning and just look forward to going to the ballpark," Dawson said Wednesday after learning of the award. "You can only dream about those kind of numbers. I didn't want to go out and try to perform above what I was capable of. I just try to do the best I could."

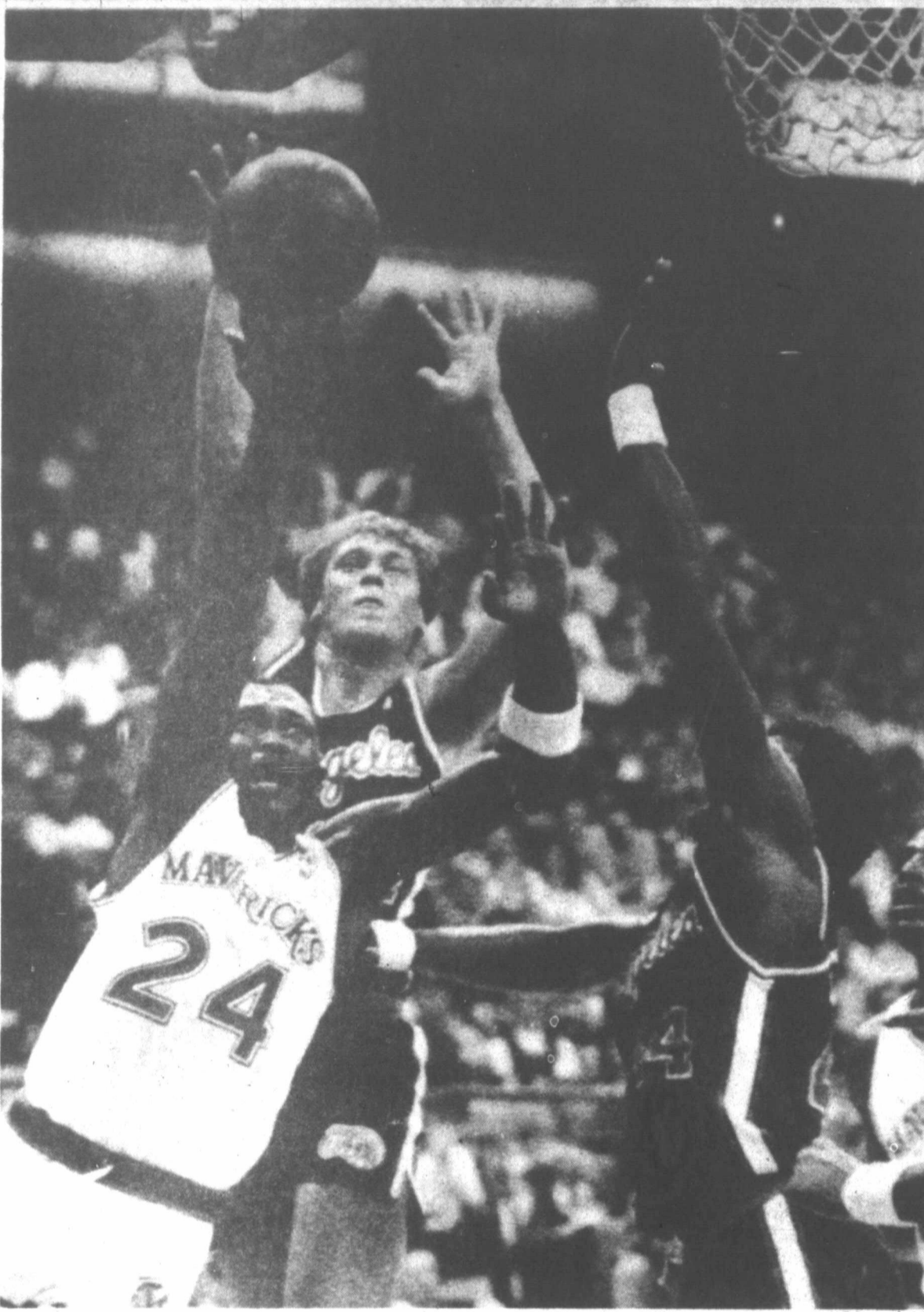
In becoming the first member of a last-place team to be named MVP, Dawson beat St. Louis shortstop Ozzie Smith 269-193 in voting by the Baseball Writers Association of America.

Dawson, 33, was so determined to play for the Cubs after 12 seasons with Montreal that he offered Dallas Green, then general manager of the Cubs, a blank contract at the beginning of the season. Leery of another multi-million-dollar free-agent contract, Green filled in the amount of \$500,000, making Dawson the second-lowest-paid player on the team.

"I wanted to convince the baseball world that I would indeed perform better under different circumstances — those circumstances being to get away from the AstroTurf and onto a natural playing field," Dawson said.

"Grass was an important factor. I felt strong all season, and I worked out, got into a weight training program. I felt I could stay strong."

The finest moment of the season, Dawson said, came in his last Wrigley Field at-bat, when he ran the count to 3-and-1 against St. Louis reliever Bill Dawley and then drove the ball out of the park. As he circled the bases, the fans chanted, "M-V-P."



The Mavericks' Mark Aguirre slips in for a basket.

Struggling Mavs hold off Clippers

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks have yet to establish a pattern of consistency over their first seven games.

The defending Midwest Division champions had to struggle to defeat the Los Angeles Clippers 97-87 Wednesday night, and that victory came over a team that lost its 21st straight road game dating back to last season.

Friday night, the 4-3 Mavericks face their stiffest test of the season in Inglewood, Calif., against the NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers, undefeated over their first seven games.

"We'll have our work cut out for us," said Mavericks guard Rolando Blackman, who scored 19 points Wednesday. "We'll have to go out with a whole lot of intensity and see what we can do."

The Mavericks trailed by as many as 13 points in the first half before putting together a 16-2 spurt early in the third quarter to stake them to an eight-point lead.

"Coach (John) MacLeod was a little angry at halftime," Blackman said. "We weren't doing the job. We're still trying to find ourselves."

The Mavericks fell behind by a point early in the fourth quarter, but Derek Harper's jump shot put Dallas back in command at 80-79 with 7:30 left in the game. From that point, the Mavericks never trailed, making a 9-2 run to boost their lead to 89-81.

Six straight points by Michael Cage trimmed the deficit to two, but the Clippers couldn't come up with the tying basket.

Mark Aguirre led the Mavericks with 31 points, but after the game he wanted to talk more about the Mavericks defense than offense. Dallas held an opponent to less than 100 points for the third time in seven games this season.

"I'm not worried about our offense," Aguirre said. "We have plenty of offense. Tonight we worked hard on defense. We dove for loose balls, worked on both boards and did a lot of the hard-work things."

It was a strange night for

Mavericks forward Roy Tarpley. He tied a club record with 10 offensive rebounds and was the game's leading rebounder with 16 as the Mavericks held a 54-37 rebounding edge. But Tarpley made only three of 16 field goal attempts, finishing with eight points.

"It's part of the game," he said, shaking his head as he scanned the final box score. "You're not always going to be consistent on offense. But you can be consistent on defense if you work hard enough."

The Clippers are trying to find their identity. With two rookie first-round draft picks — Reggie Williams and Joe Wolf — among their first six players, the Clippers figure to struggle early in the season.

"The cohesion isn't there yet as a unit," said Cage, who led the Clippers with 24 points. "Ordinarily a team would win given the opportunities we had tonight. Our attitude is good but this is a new team this year and we're still trying to mesh."

NBA standings

By The Associated Press

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
W.	L.	Pct.	GB	
Boston	7	1	.875	
Philadelphia	2	3	.400	3½
Washington	2	3	.286	4½
New Jersey	1	4	.200	6½
New York	0	6	.143	8½
Central Division				
Chicago	6	1	.857	
Atlanta	5	2	.714	1
Milwaukee	4	3	.571	2
Indiana	3	3	.500	3
Detroit	3	3	.500	3½
Cleveland	2	4	.333	5½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	5	2	.714	
Dallas	4	3	.571	1
Denver	4	3	.571	1
Utah	4	4	.500	1½
San Antonio	3	4	.429	2
Sacramento	2	4	.333	2½
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	7	0	1.000	
Phoenix	3	4	.429	4
Seattle	3	4	.429	4
L.A. Clippers	2	5	.286	5
Portland	2	5	.286	5
Golden State	1	7	.125	6½
Wednesday's Games				
Boston 111, New York 109, 20T				
Chicago 84, Washington 82				
Atlanta 95, Golden State 92				
Philadelphia 113, Detroit 109				
Dallas 97, Los Angeles Clippers 87				
Indiana 117, Denver 106				
Phoenix 90, Utah 90				
Seattle 120, Portland 114				
Thursday's Games				
New York at New Jersey				
Houston at Cleveland				
Milwaukee at Sacramento				

Edwards rehired as Indians' manager

By CHUCK MELVIN
AP Sports Writer

CLEVELAND (AP) — Doc Edwards has managed the Cleveland Indians long enough to know it's no easy task.

"Just because you want a Cadillac doesn't mean you're going to get one," Edwards said Wednesday after he was rehired to manage the team next season.

Edwards was promoted from bullpen coach to manager when Pat Corrales was fired July 16. Cleveland was 31-56 at the time and went 30-45 the rest of the way, finishing with a 61-101 record that was the worst in the majors.

"When you take over during the summer, the wheels are already spinning in the direction the club's going to go," Edwards said. "You start implementing some of the things you want the players to do. Then when you go

to spring training, they should know what you expect of them."

Although the Indians had three players — Cory Snyder, Joe Carter and Brook Jacoby — hit more than 30 homers, they finished 12th in the 14-team American League in runs scored. They also had the worst earned run average in the majors (.528) and led the AL with 153 errors.

He said new team President Hank Peters is prepared to do some dealing to improve the Indians' pitching.

Peters, the former Baltimore Orioles executive hired by the Indians earlier this month, said no one else was seriously considered for the managing job.

Edwards, who last season shaved his head to collect a \$2,000 wager from some Indians' players, said he was satisfied with a one-year contract.

"I've never had a two-year contract any-

way," he said. "This'll be my 31st contract in baseball, and they've all been for one year."

Edwards projects a laid-back attitude that he says he prefers when dealing with players.

"I would rather just sit in the corner of the dugout like Casey Stengel used to do — write down the names of the first nine guys who show up at the ballpark and let 'em win," Edwards said. "If someone comes to the ballpark and plays hard if you let him alone, I'll do that. But if I have to hang on somebody's belt, I'll do that."

Edwards was in his second full season as the Indians' bullpen coach when he was named manager.

He was a catcher for nine minor-league and four major-league teams from 1958 to 1970, including stints with the Indians, Kansas City Athletics, New York Yankees and Philadelphia Phillies.

Syracuse may have sugar-coated season

By HAL BOCK
AP Sports Writer

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Now let's see if we can solve the mystery of where unbeaten Syracuse might be headed for New Year's Day.

Here's a clue: Coach Dick MacPherson was seen casually flipping a tiny cube of sugar after Saturday's 45-17 blowout of Boston College.

This is circumstantial evidence, of course, but a sugar cube couldn't mean Orange Bowl or Cotton Bowl. Fiesta Bowl? No, that doesn't work either. If MacPherson is flipping a sugar cube, then Syracuse must be ... yes, that's it ... Sugar Bowl-bound.

Oh, the Sugar Bowl folks won't come right out and say so, of course. That's not allowed until next weekend. So they played it coy, handing out cute little souvenirs and letting you figure it out for yourself.

Nobody else had any presents for Syracuse on Saturday. Other bowl representatives had abruptly canceled plans to visit as MacPherson's team ran its record to 10-0. Orange, Fiesta and Citrus Bowl scouts had watched Syracuse in previous weeks, but suddenly vanished, leaving MacPherson's team to the

sugar cube contingent.

Jerry Romig, president of the Sugar Bowl, handed MacPherson the sweet stuff and visited the team. "He told the boys they were one of the most exciting football teams in America and he would be back next week," the coach said.

Was that a commitment?
"All I can say," Romig said, "is I will be back next week."

Bowl bids are like Christmas shopping. You like to avoid the last-minute rush. So deals are cut in advance, although nobody will come right out and say so. Candid is out, coy is in.

Syracuse certainly played it coy with BC, climbing into a 17-0 hole early in the second period. If Romig was squirming in his seat, imagine how MacPherson was feeling.

"We came out lethargic and lazy," said Orange quarterback Don McPherson. "It was a matter of getting tough."

McPherson, the quarterback, and MacPherson, the coach, knew the way out of this bind. "We had to calm down and get our poise," the quarterback said. "It looked bad, but it was early and 17 points wouldn't have beaten us all year. We knew what we had to

do."

The football firm of MacPherson and McPherson is having a big year. Sometimes confused because of the similarity in names, they are vastly different. The coach is a Maine Yankee with a New England edge still in his voice who heard howls after an 0-4 start last year. The quarterback is a fifth-year senior from Long Island with Heisman credentials although the absence of a pre-season buildup almost certainly will hurt him in the voting.

"Right now," McPherson said, "I'm concentrating on winning 11 games. 'That's my campaign. If that's not good enough, there's nothing I can do about that.'"

The coach and his quarterback conspired on the comeback. By halftime the score was tied. Syracuse scored six touchdowns and a field goal on seven consecutive possessions to put the game away. Quarterback McPherson finished with 10 completions in 19 attempts for 211 yards and two touchdowns. Coach MacPherson finished with a cube of sugar.

As Syracuse left the field, an end zone banner surfaced with a pertinent message. It said, "You Can't Spell Sugar Bowl Without SU."

Hmm, another clue.

Pampa girls dominant in win over Caprock

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

Pampa's Lady Harvesters presented their own version of "Strike Force" in the easy 67-42 win over Caprock Tuesday night.

The Lady Harvesters struck with force to win their season opener, giving head coach Albert Nichols plenty of reasons to feel proud.

"I just feel real good about their performance," Nichols said. "This being the first game, we can't help but improve."

Pampa never trailed and led by as much as 19 points the first half.

Leading the raid against Caprock was the sharp shooting trio of 5-11 junior Yolanda Brown, 5-8 senior Tacy Stoddard and 5-9 senior Keitha Clark.

Brown hit for 23 points and missed only two field goal attempts. She also controlled the boards with 18 rebounds, 9 on each end.

"I'm just real pleased with the play of Brown," added Nichols. "She did a real fine job on both ends of the court." Stoddard set the pace as she gave Pampa a 4-0 lead on a pair of corner jumpers and finished the first quarter with 10 points.

"I kidded her after the game and told her if she had hit like that the last three quarters she would have had 40 points," Nichols said. "She's capable of blowing a game wide open."

For the night, Stoddard had 16 points on 8 of 12 shooting

from the perimeter.

Clark, who had 12 points, backed up Brown on the boards with eight rebounds. She hit on six of 12 field goal attempts.

"I was real pleased with Clark after she settled down and got into the flow of the game," Nichols said.

While the Lady Harvesters hit 47.7 percent (32-67) from the floor, their free throw shooting left a lot to be desired.

"We went to pieces at the foul line (3 of 12)," Nichols said. "We're not going to win many games with that kind of shooting."

Nichols looks for a tougher test against Palo Duro Friday night.

"Palo Duro has good jumping ability and speed. They work the ball well inside and they have a good fast break," Nichols said.

That contest tips off at 6 p.m. in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Amarillo High Sandies invade the Green Pit for a meeting with the Pampa Harvesters at 7:45 p.m. Friday night.

The Sandies are two-time defending District 5A champions and made it to the regional finals last season before losing out. The Sandies won the state championship in 1985-86.

The Harvesters tipped off the season Tuesday night with a 53-51 victory over Palo Duro.

Wheeler heavily favored to end Bovina's Cinderella season

By JIMMY PATTERSON
Sports Writer

One down, five to go. After soundly thrashing the Happy Cowboys 40-8 last Friday, Wheeler will face Bovina Friday night in Class 1A regional playoff action.

The Mustangs from Wheeler come into the contest ranked fourth in the state by the Harris Rating System. They are 8-2 on the year and have been picked as 21-point favorites.

The Mustangs from Bovina, on the other hand, more or less backed their way into the playoffs. Bovina, in a district with Anton and Farwell, was the district's runner-up after losing to Anton last

Friday 28-21. The Mustangs are 7-2 on the year. A coin-flip, much like the one that ousted the White Deer Bucks from the playoffs, allowed Bovina a berth in post-season action.

Bovina head coach Bill Talley, whose only other loss of the year came in the first game against Happy, has concerns about the strengths of Wheeler.

"It doesn't look good on paper," Talley said, "to see that we lost to Happy and they (Wheeler) beat them so bad."

Bovina is trying to continue a Cinderella-type existence this year. The Mustangs haven't won seven games since 1965 and have not been to the playoffs since 1956.

The 'Stangs are led by two fleet-footed backs —

Bud Venable (1,086 yards this year) and Todd Ware (946 yards).

Wheeler Coach Preston Smith has found through viewing films that Bovina's offensive attack is not confined to the ground.

"They're real balanced," Smith said. "They throw the ball quite a lot. They're more of an offensive oriented team. Their defense is not really that outstanding. They did adequate to go 7-2."

As Bovina has a less than outstanding defense, according to Smith, they will be hard pressed to find a way to control Wheeler's two 1,000 yard ground gainers — Bubba Smith and Grayson Benson.

Talley said he hopes his defense can handle tack-

ling chores better than last week in the loss to Anton.

Chad Clayton and Byron Neal, two defensive tackles who began the season as starters, are out with injuries and their losses have taken a toll on the club.

"What we had basically was 12 good players," Talley said. "Now we have 10."

"We're looking for a really good tussle. I think Wheeler's a very good football team. They have such a great tradition and are very well coached. They're really almost the perfect team from what I've seen."

The two Mustang squads will butt heads beginning at 8 p.m. Friday at Amarillo River Road.

Weekly Pick 'em Poll

WEEK TWELVE:
Nov. 20-22



L.D. Strate



Jimmy Patterson



Paul Pinkham



Crystal Ball



Guest Picker
Earl Davis
Former Voice of the Harvesters

Wheeler-Bovina	Wheeler	Wheeler	Wheeler	Wheeler	Wheeler
Panhandle-New Deal	Panhandle	New Deal	New Deal	New Deal	New Deal
West Texas-Abernathy	West Texas	West Texas	West Texas	West Texas	West Texas
Vega-Anton	Anton	Vega	Vega	Vega	Vega
Baylor at Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Baylor
Texas Tech at Houston	Tech	Tech	Tech	Tech	Houston
Texas A&M at TCU	A&M	A&M	A&M	A&M	A&M
Abilene Christian at WT	ACC	WT	WT	WT	WT
Harvard at Yale	Harvard	Yale	Yale	Yale	Yale
OU at Nebraska	OU	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska
Ohio State at Michigan	Michigan	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State	Michigan
UCLA at USC	USC	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA
Miami at Dallas	Dallas	Miami	Miami	Dallas	Dallas
Cleveland at Houston	Cleveland	Houston	Houston	Cleveland	Houston
NY Giants at New Orleans	NY Giants	New Orleans	Giants	NY Giants	New Orleans
San Diego at Seattle	San Diego	Seattle	Seattle	San Diego	Seattle
Last week's record:	13-3	12-4	10-6	13-3	11-5
Overall record:	112-62	128-46	120-54	124-50	116-58
Overall percentage:	.644	.736	.690	.713	.666

Should Herschel go?

Front-Row Seat

By Jimmy Patterson



Last week, the headline, "Herschel should go," appeared above this column.

I have received some heat this week for those feelings after Walker's magnificent running in the Cowboys' 23-17 overtime victory Sunday against New England.

After Herschel last week said that he might be better off playing elsewhere unless he was given the ball more, I said let him go.

This week, after Walker's best performance with the Cowboys, Herschel decided Dallas isn't such a bad place after all.

I would, then, be expected to say that Herschel isn't such a bad guy after all, right?

Let's reserve judgment for a couple of weeks.

Even former Cowboy Scott Laidlaw (who?) had an occasional good week.

Before I say Herschel is welcome to stay in Dallas throughout his career, let's see if he can string together 100-yard plus rushing performances for at least the next month.

And speaking of the Georgia Jewel, *Dallas Morning News* columnist David Casstevens recently asked Herschel who he would invite to his fantasy dinner party.

"Mr. (Donald) Trump, Prince, the Pope and Clint Eastwood," was Herschel's response.

A pair of Mobeetie Hornets led area scorers in hoop action Tuesday night.

Lady Hornet Tammy Harwell, with 25 points, and Stephen Batton, on the boys' side, with 30 points, were high contributors throughout the area.

In glancing at this week's edition of the Harris Rating System, one would find it hard to believe that we are in the middle of play-off action in high school football.

There are 80 playoff games this weekend in all five classes. Thirty-five teams are favored by 10 points or more.

The largest point spreads are, in 5A, Midland Lee over El Paso Eastwood by 33; in 4A, Gregory-Portland over Edcouch-Elsa by 22; in 3A, Cuero over Median Valley by 28; Refugio, in 2A, is favored by 22 over San Antonio Cole, and in 1A Munday is a 32 point favorite over Sterling City.

Other notes of interest concerning the point spreads:

✓ Ten of the 16 Class 3A playoffs feature spreads of over 10 points.

✓ Six of the 16 Class A playoffs favorites are picked by 20 or more.

✓ The Wheeler Mustangs have been picked as 21 point favorites over Bovina.

✓ Only 17 games should be as close as a field goal or less, according to the spreads.

□ And, if you've ever wondered why so many wives claim to be sports widows, feast your eyes on this: This week on television, 79 hours of major sports programming is scheduled.

These 79 hours consist only of first-run football, basketball and hockey games and major cable sportscasts.

A breakdown shows 20 hours of sports programs last Sunday and 2 1/2 hours this Saturday.

Wednesday of this week was the low point with only 2 1/2 hours scheduled; Thursday and Friday there will be 4 1/2 hours.

Ironically, Monday was not the one weekday with the most hours devoted to sports. Tuesday, with 11 hours, was the heaviest weekday. Basketball and hockey helped Tuesday's showing, while Monday, aided only by Monday Night Football and assorted other shows, clocked in with 9 1/2 hours.

The 79 hour total does not take into consideration the three Amarillo stations and their sportscasts, which average from 3-5 minutes, twice a day.

Add those in and you'll have an additional 2 1/2 hours per week.

Oilers battle for AFC Central lead

By MICHAEL L. GRACZYK
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP)—Houston Oilers officials are not pleased with NBC's selection of two Cleveland-based announcers for Sunday's NFL showdown between the Oilers and the Cleveland Browns.

But the Oilers also aren't expecting NBC to make any changes in the announcer team for the Houston game, which will determine who gets sole ownership of first place in the American Conference Central Division.

Jim Donovan, of Cleveland NBC affiliate WKYC-TV, is scheduled to do the play-by-play and Reggie Rucker, a former Browns wide receiver, will handle the analysis.

"We weren't expressing questions about competency of the announcers," Oilers spokesman Chip Namias said Wednesday. "Both of them do a good job or they wouldn't be at the network level."

"The only thing we were talking about is they were Cleveland sportscasters and the game is being seen in large portion of Texas. In no way are we questioning their abilities as announcers."

Namias conceded it was unlikely either announcer will be replaced.

"As far as I know, it's a fact of life," he

said. "Once they make the assignment, that's it."

NBC spokesman Kevin Monaghan said Oilers General Manager Ladd Herzog called network football coordinator Ted Nathanson Wednesday to complain about the announcer assignments but was told NBC would not change.

"I think they would have bigger things to be worried about," Monaghan said of the Oilers. "I've never heard this one before. It's a first."

Houston and Cleveland are both 6-3. The game is being touted in Houston, where the Oilers in recent years have been among the league's worst teams, as the club's most important since 1980, when the Oilers challenged the Pittsburgh Steelers for the division title.

"NBC Sports is disappointed the Oilers have publicly complained about Donovan and Rucker," said Mike Weisman, executive producer of NBC Sports. "Our announcers are not biased toward one team versus another. We don't tell the Oilers who to play at quarterback. They shouldn't tell us who to put as announcers."

Monaghan said the Oilers complaint was the first ever lodged against the network and

said other NBC games had similar situations where both announcers are from the cities of one of the teams.

"This weekend, we have the Buffalo-New York Jets game, using Marv Albert, who is from New York and worked for WNBC in New York, and Joe Namath (former Jets quarterback)," Monaghan said. "We haven't heard one thing from Buffalo."

The Browns-Oilers game will be telecast to about 40 percent of the nation Sunday. Rucker has been with NBC for four years. Donovan is doing his second game for the network.

Monaghan said Herzog thought the network's more well-known announcer teams like Dick Enberg-Merlin Olsen or Don Criqui-Bob Trumpy should be assigned to the Browns-Oilers game.

Enberg, however, has a California horse racing assignment Saturday and will remain there to do the Los Angeles Raiders game. The Criqui-Trumpy duo will do the New England-Indianapolis game, which also is going to 40 percent of the country.

Charlie Jones and Jimmy Cefalo are handling the national doubleheader game with San Diego playing Seattle.

"It's difficult," Monaghan said. "There's a lot of good games. It's one of our problems."

Huskers favored

By HERSCHEL NISSENSON
AP Football Writer

Here we go again. "Game of the Century II" is the way Saturday's Nebraska-Oklahoma shootout in Lincoln is being billed.

Oklahoma was ranked No. 1 and Nebraska No. 2 all season until this week, when the Cornhuskers leapfrogged the Sooners.

It marks the sixth consecutive year that one of the teams has been among the top three in the Associated Press poll.

—the 11th straight year that one or the other has been in the top five.

—the fourth straight year that both have been in the top six.

All this verbiage is known as stalling, and the time has come to pick a winner. Nebraska is a four-point favorite and the pick is... wait while we flip — heads, Oklahoma; tails, Nebraska — the winner is... Nebraska 20-17.

Last week's prediction record was 32 right, 12 wrong and one tie for a percentage of .725; for the season, 356-139-7—719. Against the point spread, last week's mark was 16-19-1—457; for the year, 158-176-7—473.

Toledo at No. 3 Miami, Fla. (no line); Miami 56-0.

No. 5 UCLA (by 9) at Southern California; UCLA 28-17.

West Virginia at No. 6 Syracuse (by 11); Upset Special of the Week, West Virginia 24-21.

No. 7 Notre Dame (by 7) at Penn State; Second Upset Special, Penn State 28-21.

No. 8 Clemson at No. 12 South Carolina (by 7); South Carolina 27-24.

No. 9 LSU (by 15) at Tulane; LSU 35-21.

No. 11 Michigan State (by 20 1/2) at Wisconsin; Michigan State 24-14.

Iowa State at No. 13 Oklahoma State (by 28 1/2); Oklahoma State 45-14.

Pampa bowling roundup

CELANESE MIXED LEAGUE

Team Eight 23-13; Team Six 21-15; Team Eleven 21-15; Team Twelve 20 1/2-15 1/2; Team Five 19-17; Team Four 18-18; Team Two 17-19; Team Three 17-19; Team Seven 16-20; Team Nine 15-21; Team One 15-21; Team Ten 14 1/2-21 1/2.

High Average:
Men - 1. Larry Etchison 171; 2. Raymond Bowles 164; 3. Tim Hill 161; Women - 1. Terri Barrett 168; 2. Renee Dominguez 163; 3. Rose Johnson 153.

High Handicap Series:
Men - Craig Tanner 694; Women - 1. Renee Dominguez 701.

High Handicap Game:
Men - 1. Raymond Bowles 286; Women - 1. Melissa Garner 263.

High Scratch Series:
Men - 1. Larry Etchison 640; 2. Tim Hill 603; 3. Gary Tyrrell 561; Women - 1. Terri Barrett 600; 2. Renee Dominguez 596; 3. Tammy Hill 529.

High Scratch Game:
Men - 1. Larry Etchison 264; 2. Raymond Bowles 256; 3. Tim Hill 254; Women - 1. Terri Barrett 220; 2. Renee Dominguez 217; 3. Jo Karbo 214.

HARVESTER MEN'S LEAGUE

B & B Fire, 25-15; Gary's Pest Control 24-16; C & C Oilfield Svc. 24-16; OCAW 24-16; Panhandle Equipment 23-17; Harvester Lanes 20-20; Danny's Market 19-21; Earl Henry's 16-24; Pampa News 15-25; Dyer's Barbeque 10-30.

High Average:
Larry Mayo 191.

High Scratch Series:
1. Donny Nail 679; 2. Larry Mayo 663; 3. Ade Becker 662.

High Scratch Game:
1. Ade Becker 269; 2. Matt Wood 261; 3. Raleigh Rowland 257.

High Handicap Series:
1. Ade Becker 734; 2. David Wortham 725; 3. Bryant Nail 694.

High Handicap Game:
1. Ade Becker 293; 2. (tie) Darrel Crafton and Matt Wood 279; 4. Luis Hernandez 277.

Top-ranked Graf wins Slims opener

By RICK WARNER
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP)—The secret is out: If you want to beat Steffi Graf, play her in practice.

"I've been playing very badly in practice," Graf said Wednesday night after beating Zina Garrison 6-0, 6-3 in the opening round of the Virginia Slims tennis championships. "Maybe I was just anxious for the tournament to begin."

Graf, the top-ranked player in the world, needed just 47 minutes to defeat Garrison, who won only nine points in the first set.

"She's so quick," Garrison said. "I'm used to hitting shots that would be winners against any other player, but she gets to them." Garrison, who had split two previous matches with Graf, never had a chance in this one at Madison Square Garden. Graf won the first eight games before her 24-year-old American opponent could break a sweat.

"I was concentrating very well," said the 18-year-old West German, who has won 72 of 74 matches this year. "I wanted to get off to a good start."

Graf's opponent tonight will be seventh-seeded Helena Sukova, who beat Lori McNeil 2-6, 7-5, 6-2 in another first-round match. Tonight's other quarterfinal features two unseeded players, Sylvia Hanika of West Germany and Raffaella Reggi of Italy.

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Alamodome fight pits mayor against priest

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — It's been called crucial to the future of the city and, at the same time, the possible financial doom of the poor.

The fight over the Alamodome, a proposed 65,000-seat domed stadium, has pitted Mayor Henry Cisneros against a Catholic priest who is leading a citizens advocacy group charge against the \$158 million project.

"It's not that we don't want our city to grow and the city to look good, but the people who are going to benefit should be the ones to pay," said the Rev. Rosendo Urrabazo.

Urrabazo is a co-chairman of Communities Organized for Public Service, a coalition of 26 churches that is challenging the mayor and his project.

"My hope is that he (Cisneros) cares because he cares about the needs of the poor people in San Antonio and that he would listen to a group that represents

that constituency," said Urrabazo, pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

The Alamodome is among the latest and the toughest-to-sell projects for Cisneros, who has helped attract numerous businesses to the city during his 6½ years as mayor.

Between now and May 7, Cisneros and stadium proponents will step up their pitch for the five-year project, which will be paid for through a half-cent sales tax increase tacked on by the city bus system.

The mayor said Urrabazo's group and others opposed to the stadium may be tough to crack.

"Unless we have an extraordinary recognition on the part of the people of San Antonio — that this will make the difference in projecting the city into a different and higher league of cities — then we will not pass it," Cisneros said.

Cisneros also argues the stadium will not hurt the poor.

"The incidence of an additional half-cent, given that food is exempted and other basic necessities are exempted, doesn't fall inordinately heavy on poor people because of the exemptions," the mayor said.

Earlier this year, the mayor got the Legislature to approve the half-cent sales tax hike by the bus system. The bill passed only minutes before the session ended and was dubbed the Dracula Bill because it refused to die.

Meanwhile, stadium supporters were able to get the necessary 51,000 signatures on a petition calling for the election and now continue to seek more signatures as a cushion.

The stadium election originally was set for January, but because of a variety of problems, including the debate with Urrabazo's group, the mayor reset

the vote for May to allow more time to garner support.

Cisneros has said the domed stadium could help attract a National Football League franchise sometime in the next decade, but would be used for several years as a convention and exhibit hall adjunct to the present convention center.

Building the stadium with private money is not feasible, according to Cisneros, because private investors wouldn't make enough money in the deal.

He argues that San Antonio, whose No. 2 tourism industry accounts for \$1 billion annually, would profit by hosting larger conventions at the Alamodome.

"The benefit will come, not from operating the building, but from the economic impact of the community at large — in new jobs, in hotels, in restaurants and downtown revitalization,"

Cisneros said.

But Urrabazo contends: "Our people are going to pay for it and most of our people are not going to benefit from it. Those that do benefit are hotels, motels, restaurants ... and it's ironic owners of those places don't want to put up the money."

His group, representing about 90,000 mostly poor, Hispanic families, alternately has supported and tangled with the mayor on a number of issues over the past six years.

Some opponents believe the Alamodome will fail, while others are threatening lawsuits to question the legislative procedure used in getting the stadium bill passed.

"I think he can read the handwriting on the wall," said Councilwoman Helen Dutmer, who also has feuded with Cisneros over the stadium project.



(AP Laserphoto)

Holly Moore, 4, plays with her dog in front of grandparents' houseboat.

Couple retires to river houseboat

By CAROL RUST
Beaumont Enterprise

SILSBEE (AP) — Pete Reed always told his kids that as soon as he got them grown and married off, he was going to become a river rat.

A man of his word, he started building a houseboat not long after that happened and has been on the water ever since.

He and his wife, Lois, stay on the floating home underneath the Neches River bridge on U.S. 96, and their two years there have convinced them of one thing:

"If I ever had to live on land again, I wouldn't know what to do," Lois says, echoing Pete's views.

It's easy to see what they mean. Inside the modest houseboat, the lazily flowing brown water and tree-lined shores are visible through every window but one. Ferns wave gently in the breeze on the fenced-in porch, decorated with flower boxes and furnished with rocking chairs for evening philosophizing.

A gentle, barely noticeable rocking motion reminds you you're on the water, not land. And the minute you step aboard, although you're just feet from the shore, you feel different.

"There's a peace on this river, it's something about the river," Pete says slowly, looking out his kitchen window. "You don't have some things other people have, but you sure have something they don't have."

The rent may be free, but the Reeds must haul their drinking water and wood for their wood-burning stove. Their biggest expenses are coal oil and butane, and, of course, materials for their ongoing carpentry projects, one of which starts right after the last one is finished.

"How long did it take to build this thing?" Pete echoes a visitor's question. "Heck, we're still not finished."

While most people start from the ground up, the Reeds started from the water up. Once they built the basic barge, or what is now the floor, they stayed in a tent on board as they built the walls and finally the roof.

They located a butane-powered refrigerator so they didn't have to make trips to the grocery store every day.

And they have running water, sort of. "See, you run over here," says Pete's father, Charlie Reed, while trotting to the sink, "and then you pump your water, and then you run back." The water he pumps into the sink, though, is river water used for baths and washing dishes. Their drinking water is in a yellow cooler by the door, next to a large glass jar full of candy.

The candy is for Molly Moore, "the youngest river rat," as Lois calls her 4-year-old granddaughter who spends as much time as she can on the houseboat with her grandparents. She feeds the handful of chickens the Reeds keep around, plays with the dog and cat and generally finds a way to get muddy.

The Reeds don't do much fishing "although there's plenty of fish to catch if we felt like it," Pete says.

The main thing they do is entertain their friends have become enchanted with life on the water, too, "and sometimes we all have to get off the boat we get so many guests, the front porch starts sinking," Lois laughs.

Throughout her life, Lois has dealt with her share of landlords, and that fact makes her appreciate the houseboat life even more. "No one can come and tell me to move or to be quiet or I've got too many people at my house," she says. "We don't mess with anyone, and no one messes with us."

"It's nice being out on the water and all because it is so peaceful," she says, watching the sun stretch colorfully over the water at dusk. "But the best part is the freedom. We're free."

Breakdown of Hispanic family tradition said to contribute to higher dropout rate

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech University President Lauro Cavazos says a breakdown of the Hispanic family tradition is contributing to the increasing Hispanic student dropout rate.

During a panel discussion Tuesday night at Texas A&M University, Cavazos also said raising the awareness of the Hispanic dropout rate is needed to help solve the problem.

"We must nurture and extend Hispanic family tradition because there is a loss of human potential in dropouts," Cavazos said. "Meaningful change starts with caring and involving the family in the discussion to establish guidance."

The A&M program Tuesday focused on unique problems facing Hispanic students — who are leaving high schools and colleges at higher rates, national statistics indicate.

Dr. Tatcho Mendiola, a University of Houston sociologist and director of Mexican-American studies, said the family is just part of the problem.

"Saying the answer lies with the family is like blaming the victim. If the family is the source then that absolves society, which means you're overlooking discrimination and prejudice," Mendiola said.

"The problem begins with history — Mexican-Americans have

been perceived as an inferior and conquered people. Schools and society are not fully concerned with the educational curriculum being offered to Hispanic chil-

dren," he said.

A disproportionate number of Hispanic students are steered toward vocational education programs, he added.

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Hydrogen fuel eyed as energy source

OXFORD, Ohio (AP) — The tiger in the tanks of future motorists could be a lump of metal loaded with hydrogen, partly because of the work of a Miami University chemist.

Professor Joseph Cantrell is cataloging the properties of metals that absorb hydrogen and, with a little heat, release it at a constant rate.

He is among a small band of researchers preparing for the next energy crisis, convinced that hydrogen has the potential to power much of the equipment now run by hydrocarbons such as gasoline.

"We're kind of mapping it out," he said recently of the work he is doing at Miami and at the U.S. Department of Energy's Mound Laboratory in the Dayton suburb of Miamisburg.

"I think what motivates us is that if there is another energy crisis, we aren't trying these things by trial and error," Cantrell said. "I'm kind of pleased to have an area I think has a place in the future."

Hydrogen is plentiful and is the basic element that is fused in the sun to produce its energy and heavier elements. It can be made by passing electric current through seawater, and the current can come from solar cells. Storing the highly flammable gas safely becomes almost prohibitively expensive.

Liquid hydrogen, which is almost as cold as absolute zero — the temperature where no molecules move — is used in rockets, but must be stored in heavily insulated containers.

The Hindenberg dirigible disaster shows what can happen when hydrogen gas isn't properly stored.

That's where Cantrell comes in. He is examining the properties of metal alloys that can combine with gaseous hydrogen to form compounds called hydrides. Cantrell is looking for compounds that will hold a lot of hydrogen, almost like a sponge, but give it up fairly readily when a little heat is applied.

"Once the hydrogen is absorbed in the metal, the possibility of an explosion is practically eliminated. In fact, if you lit the hydrogen coming out of one of those metals, it probably would burn like a candle," he said.

In a car, an electric heater might start the process, but then exhaust heat could be used to continue it, Cantrell said.

Daimler Benz, the German firm which makes the Mercedes-Benz car, is running some experimental cars on hydrogen, he said. They have a range of about 150 miles, but there are no service stations with hydrogen, so their usefulness is limited, he said.

Hydrogen now costs about twice as much as regular fuel, partly because of the storage problem, Cantrell said.

"We're trying to get common, fairly economical metals" that will form minute lattices when they are combined, heated, then rapidly cooled, he said.

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