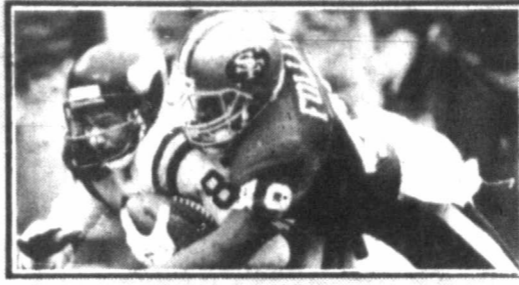


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Boulter, right, with son Matt and wife Rose Mary in Corpus Christi last week.

Local, area GOP react to anti-Boulter faction

By PAUL PINKHAM
Senior Staff Writer

Gray County Republicans say they want no part of a group that calls itself Panhandle Republicans and Independents for Bentsen.

In fact, most local members of the GOP surveyed by *The Pampa News* said that, while they wish U.S. Rep. Beau Boulter would stay in Congress, they will support him in his senatorial bid anyway.

Boulter, R-Amarillo,

announced Monday that he plans to challenge incumbent Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, a Democrat, for his seat in the U.S. Senate. First, Boulter must survive the Republican primary, where he faces three opponents.

The Panhandle pro-Bentsen group is made up of a number of Amarillo business and civic leaders, including oilman T. Boone Pickens and former mayor Jerry Hodge.

Hodge said in a press conference Thursday that everyone on

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Broken jaw won't stop Sarpalius

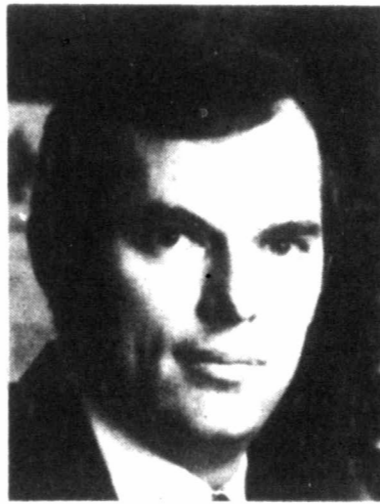
By PAUL PINKHAM
Senior Staff Writer

AMARILLO — A birthday celebration for state Sen. Bill Sarpalius ended Friday night when his jaw was broken by a nightclub patron, but Sarpalius said the incident won't end his bid for Congress.

Sarpalius, D-Canyon, underwent surgery at noon Saturday at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo to repair his chin line and left jawbone, fractured when he was punched and kicked in the face as he was leaving the dance floor at The Caravan in Amarillo.

The two-term state legislator is one of three Democrats seeking the Congressional post being vacated by U.S. Rep. Beau Boulter, R-Amarillo, who is running for the U.S. Senate.

Kevin Knapp of Amarillo, Sarpalius' administrative aide, said Sarpalius was concluding a 40th



Sarpalius

birthday celebration at the nightclub with friends, family and staff when the assault took place. Knapp said there was no prior confrontation or discussion be-

fore the attack.

"The attacker came from behind as Sarpalius was moving off the dance floor, tapped him on the shoulder, struck him on the mouth, which knocked Sarpalius to the floor," Knapp said Saturday morning. "He then kicked him in the face, which ultimately produced the fracture."

Knapp said the assailant is still at-large and Amarillo police have begun an investigation into the incident. If arrested, the man faces an aggravated assault charge.

A spokeswoman at the Amarillo Police Department said Saturday that she had no details of the incident.

At Sarpalius' request, Northwest Texas Hospital officials administered a blood test for alcohol content in the senator's blood.

"Upon receiving the results, the police and hospital reported a confirmed, absolute zero alcohol

content," Knapp said.

A hospital employee, who did not give her name, confirmed the results of the test.

"I did not consume alcohol this evening, and I wanted to make sure the people of my district were accurately informed about that fact," Sarpalius said in a statement issued through Knapp from the senator's hospital bed.

"This is the type of thing a legislator has to deal with when he gets involved in controversial issues," the statement read.

"Not everyone agrees with the alcohol legislation I have sponsored and supported in the past. There is no doubt this person was one of those who disagreed and decided to let his feelings be known."

Since 1980, Sarpalius has worked on numerous anti-drinking bills, including legislation that has toughened drunk driving

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Consumer survey results to be released

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

Consumers here complain about limited selection and high prices, but Pampa's problems are no different than those of other towns, according to Pampa Main Street project's Consumer Attitude Survey.

Results of the survey, conducted last summer to gauge community opinion about Pampa's shopping climate, will be released at a town meeting at 5:15 p.m. Monday in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 200 N. Russell. The meeting will feature Dr. Jerry Johnson, a partner with Johnson, Moore, Kelly and Associates, the Waco consulting firm that conducted the survey.

According to Johnson, the survey shows that, with the exception of gas prices, Pampa's economic problems are no different than those of other towns involved in the Main Street project.

The survey revealed that 95.7 percent of the respondents said they occasionally shop outside Pampa. More than 85 percent of the respondents chose Amarillo as their main out-of-town shop-

ping place.

The survey revealed four main reasons for shopping outside Pampa:

• to find merchandise not available in Pampa, to find lower prices, to find a better shopping environment, and/or

• to visit out-of-town friends and relatives.

"When there is a community above 100,000 people at the backdoor, a town will have some out-of-town shopping," Johnson said.

"Pampa is no exception. "The one thing I found unique about the Pampa survey was the complaints about gas prices. Other than that, Pampa's problems were typical."

Johnson said he is not familiar enough with Pampa's complaints about gas prices to offer any solution to the problem.

As for Pampa's problem with limited selection, Johnson said "you're always going to find people who want more."

Johnson added that consumer "perception" of product supply may contribute to complaints about limited selection. That problem can be solved by making the pub-

lic more aware of the products, Johnson indicated.

The survey noted that the product areas that are "victim" of out-of-town shopping are clothing, toys, appliances, furniture, home decorations, shoes, records and tapes, automobiles, lumber and gasoline.

"You need a market large enough for a product or you're not going to make money," he said.

The survey indicated that the two types of businesses Pampa wanted most were a farmers market and restaurants (mainly seafood, Mexican, family and steak houses.) The survey was taken in July, before the Top o' Texas Farmers Market began operation Aug. 1.

According to the survey's "overall perception," respondents see Pampa as a nice town that's not very clean, progressive or exciting.

Among the overall perceptions:

▶ Pampa is a nice town to live in but it's not very progressive. Entertainment is generally limited and Pampa can be very "bor-

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PAMPANS WANT

The following graph lists the types of businesses and entertainment establishments survey respondents want in Pampa and the percentage of respondents wanting each item. Because respondents were allowed to list more than one choice, numbers will not total 100 percent.

BUSINESSES

Farmers Market	64.1
Restaurant	55.9
Tape record store	22.8
General bookstore	17.5
Gift shop	15.2
Antique store	6.6
Decorator service	4.7
Travel agency	1.3
Others	35.7

ENTERTAINMENT

Public Golf Course	45.8
Movie theater	31.9
Bowling lane	10.4
Skating rink	6.9
Others	25.2



Lois Fagan, right, with former student Charlotte Hall.

Piano teacher has taught over 50 years

By MARILYN POWERS
Lifestyles Editor

If there's one thing Lois Fagan of 314 N. Purviance should know how to do, it's teaching music. After all, she's been at it for over 50 years.

"Music is of tremendous value to me. I am happy to say that music changed my life. It gave me a richer life to live and made my life more worthwhile," she said.

Born Ida Lois Rhodes on March 21, 1908 in Wellington, the 10th of 11 children of Josephine and Bush L. Rhodes, she started playing keyboard music at her church when she was 13. In high school, she learned how to play the saxophone and also sang in choirs. Her father played the violin, and brothers played the drums and trumpet, to make a family combo.

Her father drove a dray, or wagon loaded with goods, between Wellington and Memphis after the turn of the century. The pioneer family moved to Hale County to a ranch house one mile northwest of Abernathy when young Lois was 9, and she attended a one-room schoolhouse there.

At age 16, she traveled and did stage shows with a brother who was a music teacher.

She later attended Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, where she met Lester Dee Fagan. They married March 10, 1928 and moved to Pampa in February of 1935. Soon after, Mrs. Fagan began her music

teaching career.

The Fagans had four children: Reba Jo Eubanks of Pampa; Malcolm Dee Fagan of Shelbyville, Tenn.; Lois Jean Kuhns of Dallas; and Don Neil Fagan of Amarillo, all Pampa High School graduates.

While Mr. Fagan managed a Pampa auto store, Mrs. Fagan was building her keyboard clientele.

"When we first came to Pampa, we lived on Faulkner Street down from Horace Mann. I charged 25 cents a lesson," she said. She has given lessons in voice and organ music in addition to playing the piano.

She became a member of Pampa Music Teachers Association, state and national teachers organizations, National Guild of Piano Teachers, Treble Clef Club and the American Guild of Organists. Her only membership now is with the Music Teachers National Association, which has made her a nationally certified teacher of piano, an advanced professional standing among piano teachers. She was recommended for the advanced standing by the Texas Music Teachers Association.

Mrs. Fagan has taught piano to three generations of Pampans, including, in order of seniority, Charlotte Hall, her daughters Becky and Janet Hall, and Melody Dennis.

"I loved taking piano lessons from her. I probably took seven or eight years of lessons in all, and she was my last piano teacher. I took two years from

her in junior high and high school," Charlotte Hall, 47, of Pampa, said.

Becky, now Becky Long, 28, said, "My mother always played the piano. My mother was a piano student of Mrs. Fagan's, and I just thought it was kind of neat — mother and daughter, here we go."

Mrs. Long said her training under Mrs. Fagan helped her when she became a band member in school. She was a student of Mrs. Fagan's for about two years.

Her sister, Janet Hall, 19, another daughter of Charlotte, was a student of Mrs. Fagan's for about six years. Melody Dennis, 13, Charlotte's great-niece and the newest in the family line to study under Mrs. Fagan, has been a piano student for five years.

In 1959, Mrs. Fagan decided to return to college. She already had a diploma in "expression," the equivalent of today's drama study, and she returned to the classroom to study music. She attended Frank Phillips College in Borger and the Musical Arts Conservatory in Amarillo.

Her activities in Pampa have not been limited to private lessons given in her home. For 22 years, she was pianist at First Church of the Nazarene, and she is in her 31st year as a musician at St. Paul United Methodist Church. St. Paul's awarded her a plaque in 1984 for faithful service. At one time, she also directed children's choirs at the Methodist church.

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Let Peace Begin With Me

This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

Louise Fletcher
Publisher

Larry D. Hollis
Managing Editor

Opinion

Quotas hampering sugar consumers

The next time you buy a candy bar or a five-pound bag of sugar at the store, think of the U.S. Congress. If not for the quotas Congress has imposed on sugar imports, you and other Americans would be paying much less for sugar and sugar-related products.

Due to the quotas, Americans will only be allowed to buy 750,000 tons of sugar from overseas in 1988 — the smallest amount of imported sugar in 113 years. The quotas have kept the domestic price of sugar at 18 cents a pound, more than twice the world price of 8.5 cents.

Like virtually all protectionist legislation, the sugar quotas have taken money from the pockets of the general consumer. Critics of the quotas have estimated they cost American consumers as much as \$3 billion a year more than what they would pay for sugar at the world price. That amounts to about \$50 a year for a family of four.

The sugar quotas are a textbook example of a small but vocal minority manipulating the levers of government to fleece the unwitting majority. The quotas directly benefit about 10,000 sugar cane and sugar beet growers in the United States. These growers, united and persistent, wield disproportionate power over their elected representatives, who in turn do the necessary horse trading in Washington to keep the quotas in place.

The economic arguments for sugar quotas are especially weak. American sugar growers can hardly claim that they represent a "strategic industry" that would prove crucial in a national emergency. World markets are awash in sugar, and the supply is readily at hand from sugar-producing countries in the Western Hemisphere.

Along with their domestic cost, sugar quotas impose an economic burden on many Third-World countries struggling to develop. Several small and poor nations, in the Caribbean and elsewhere, depend on sugar exports to drive their economies. But the congressionally imposed quotas cut these nations off from the lucrative American market. It makes little sense to support these nations with economic and military aid, while at the same time we seek to impoverish them by eliminating the chief market for their chief export.

Virtually all protectionist legislation is bad, because it interferes with free and peaceful trade at the expense of the general consumer, but restrictions on sugar imports are especially absurd. Even some lawmakers within the pro-protectionist Democratic Party are bucking against sugar quotas. Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., summed up the sugar quotas program succinctly, concluding, "It is ludicrous." Bradley and several other lawmakers have introduced legislation aimed at cutting the price of domestic sugar. So far, the bills have gone nowhere — a victory for special-interest politics over the general good.

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Unraveling truths behind lies

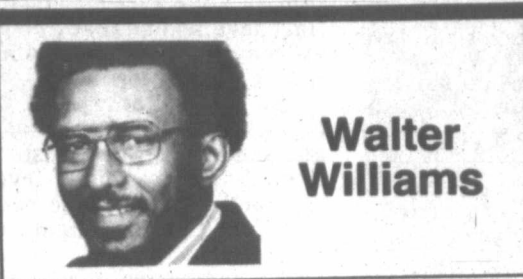
Lies have become truths, and truths lies. Let's start the year off by trying to untangle some of this mess. Now, this might be painful because lies form the foundation of some people's hidden agendas.

Here's a lie for your pocketbook: "We can reduce the deficit by raising taxes." The federal budget has been in the red in 24 of the last 25 years. And in 19 of those years, there's been some kind of tax increase.

Ohio University Profs. Galloway and Vedder found that for each \$1 tax increase, over this period, there's been a \$1.58 spending increase. While tax revenues have risen, deficits have skyrocketed. There's no evidence that tax increases can eliminate the deficit; therefore, we must get spending under control.

And how about this lie: "Foreign aid is necessary for economic development." Third-World countries and the U.S. Department of State love this story, but let's check it out: The world's most developed countries are the United States, Canada, Sweden, Australia, Japan, Great Britain, and West Germany. Could somebody please tell me what foreign aid program(s) are responsible for their development?

Obversely, most African countries have been on the receiving end of billions of dollars in non-military foreign aid since the '50s. The result: Real per-capita income in all black African countries has fallen an average of 14 percent. The real truth might be: Foreign aid retards economic development. Or are you going to try to tell me white countries can develop without



Walter Williams

handouts but non-white countries can't cut it alone?

Here's a lie that the 1988 presidential campaign should be focusing on, yet Pete DuPont has been the only candidate with the guts to touch it: "The Social Security system will be solvent well into the 21st century." In order for retirees in the year 2030 to enjoy the equivalent of today's benefits, those in the workforce at that future date will have to pay a 34 percent Social Security tax.

I can't imagine that flying. When the Social Security music stops, and the post-World War II babyboomers are left with no chairs, neither I, nor today's Social Security recipients, nor today's irresponsible politicians will be around. Our children will curse our memory.

Here's a lie the union leaders like: "Unions raise worker's living standards." Presto jiffo! All the workers in Ethiopia, Bangladesh, India and Chad have to do is unionize and be rich like Americans. Unions are relatively weak in some

of the world's rapidly growing countries like South Korea, Hong Kong, Japan, and Singapore. They're strongest in countries like England and Sweden — two nations suffering severe economic stagnation over the last two decades. Unions are valuable organizations, but hardly the means to riches.

Then there are truths that have been discarded like: "Individuals are responsible for their actions." According to Freudian sociology and psychology, we are not responsible for what we do. Thus, when people commit evil and cruelty against their fellow man, it's "because" of temporary insanity, inferiority complex, poverty, discrimination.

What's interesting is: If people commit crimes against people, psycho-sociological nonsense gets them off, but with crimes against the state no such luck. Try telling a tax court judge you didn't pay your taxes because of temporary insanity, an inferiority complex, or a legacy of discrimination.

We not only ignore truths, we abandon traditional values and promote "alternative life styles." Poverty among blacks is about 33 percent. But, according to the National Center for Policy Analysis in Dallas, blacks who marry and stay married, complete high school and stay employed (even for minimum wages), have a 1980 poverty rate of only 4.7 percent. How about that for an anti-poverty program?

For 1988, let's remember: While the truth may hurt, lies bring agony and destruction, so let's bite the bullet.

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Jukebox made great present

Somebody who cares for me, despite my bad habits and track record, gave me a career Christmas present this year — a jukebox.

It's a Seberg 100, manufactured in 1954. It was a complete surprise. I knew I wasn't getting a pony. I gave up on a pony when I was 12.

I was thinking in terms of perhaps a typewriter with a carriage that doesn't stick, some golf balls or a book on how to play gin rummy, something I desperately need before I go broke and have to take a second job at a convenience store.

Instead, I got a jukebox built in 1954. I turned 8 in 1954, back when Cleveland had a good baseball team and Americans built things that lasted.

There were a few records on my jukebox, but the kind person who gave it to me said, "I wanted to give you a chance to put all of your favorites in."

I have a wonderful opportunity here, the opportunity to select my favorite songs of all times.

It is not a task I am taking lightly. I must dig deep into my memory here, careful to select from each of the musical eras that have played a part in my life.

A man can learn a great deal about himself in such an endeavor. He can put himself into context by looking at the sort of music that is



Lewis Grizzard

dearest to him.

I was caught in the birth of rock and roll in the '50s.

But something happened to rock and roll in the mid-'60s, something that was not to my taste, so I went to country music, where I remain, with but a few exceptions such as big band, Sinatra, Nat King Cole, and even some gospel here and there.

I've started the list of the eventual 100 selections for my jukebox.

If they are symbols of a man out of step with the sounds of modern music, so be it. Frankly, I haven't understood much of anything since the American League adopted the designated hitter.

The partial list:

- "Old Dogs, Children and Watermelon Wine," Tom T. Hall.
 - "Smoky Places," The Corsairs.
 - "Stubborn Kind of Fellow," Marvin Gaye.
 - "My Girl," The Temptations.
 - "Peace in the Valley," Red Foley.
 - "The Tennessee Waltz," Edditt Arnold or Patti Page.
 - "To All the Girls I've Loved Before," Willie Nelson and Julio Iglesias.
 - "Are You Lonesome Tonight?" Elvis.
 - "Chances Are," Johnny Mathis.
 - "There Used to be a Ballpark Right Here," Frank Sinatra.
 - "In the Mood," Glenn Miller.
 - "Happy Trails," Roy Rogers and Dale Evans.
 - "When Whoever's in New England's Through with You," Reba McEntire.
 - "Midnight Train to Georgia," Gladys Knight and The Pips.
 - "Mona Lisa Lost Her Smile," David Allen Coe.
 - "There Stands the Glass," Webb Pierce.
 - "Standing on the Solid Rock," The Kingsman Quartet.
 - "Mama Tried," Merle Haggard.
- I'll get to George Jones and Luciano Pavarotti as soon as possible.

'Slippery slope' a myth for right to die

By VINCENT CARROLL

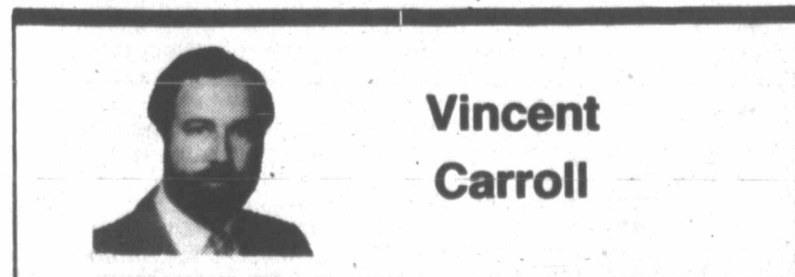
Don't worry, we've been told over the years. There is no such thing as a slippery slope in ethics. A "right to die" does not inexorably lead to a right to suicide, which does not lead to a right to ... well, finish it for yourself.

Now a group of Californians is finally ready to give the game away. They believe a patient should be able not only to order the plug pulled on life-support systems but also to request a lethal injection of drugs if two doctors certify the patient will be dead within six months anyway.

If this group can gather enough signatures in support of the proposition, it will appear on the ballot in November.

At that point, no doubt, we'll again be assured that there is no such thing as a slippery slope. A limited right to kill the terminally ill does not lead to a general right to kill anyone wanting to die, which does not lead to a right to dispense with retarded or handicapped babies, which does not lead....

No, of course not. The slippery slope is a myth. Repeat that often enough and it actually sounds plausible. For those whose goal is a brave



Vincent Carroll

new world, the first tactic must always be to deny the obvious.

Courts and medical ethicists have been doing this for years. Rather than admit that hospitals already have been forced, in effect, to help patients commit suicide in a few "right-to-die" cases, the experts simply reinvent language. First they define food and water provided under special conditions as "medical treatment." Then they say suicide doesn't occur when a patient rejects any "invasive" treatment — which naturally includes artificial feeding.

In other words, a patient can order a feeding tube removed from his body, starve to death, and experts will deny he killed himself. The clearest

example of this occurred last year in Grand Junction, Colo., when a man stopped taking nourishment and expired 16 days later.

Hector Rodas was unlike most people who draw the media spotlight when they seek to end their lives. He was not a terminally ill patient whose short-term anguish was prolonged by life-support systems. Although paralyzed from the neck down by a drug overdose, Rodas could have lived for years.

Nor was he comatose and hence dependent on relatives for his decisions. He could neither speak nor swallow, but communicated clearly by nodding yes or no.

Yet predictably, in granting Rodas'

wish to have a tube removed from his stomach, a judge said "Rodas is not attempting to commit suicide" because he sought relief from an invasive procedure.

What a transparent evasion. Everyone knew why Rodas wanted the tube pulled out of him. He wanted to die, and he wanted to die because he found total paralysis unbearable — not because, or not mainly because, he had been subjected to an invasive procedure.

Even assuming Rodas would have chosen to live had he only been able to chew and swallow, many other people would find that sort of life equally intolerable. Should hospitals be forced to help such people commit suicide, too?

Admittedly, the California initiative doesn't quite deal with that question, but give the euthanasiasts time. If they succeed in this opening bid, they'll soon be back with yet another proposal to erode civilized, life-cherishing ethics. We may not even notice, either, so long as we keep repeating the lie that there is no such thing as a slippery slope.

Letters to the editor

Katie should peek in different places

To the editor:
This is concerning the weekly Peeking at Pampa column.
I, for one, am bored with reading about basically the same people over and over again. There are others in Pampa who take trips, have lunch in a spiffy blue dress ensemble with a friend and even have babies. One particularly large family seems to be in there everytime a group of them sits down at the dinner table.
I do enjoy reading about school functions, but these, like the new babies she announces, have already been in the paper.
The average Pampa person doesn't take trips to Cancun or Hawaii, take Caribbean cruises, etc., nor are their children seen in some of the expensive clothes she describes in her column.
Obviously I don't know who this "Katie" is. One time I was evidently in the same place as her because out of a large crowd I "spied" the same three people having lunch at the Biarritz Club.
I've asked a number of people who she is and nobody knows. Is it the Katie that worked at Wal-Mart for awhile, or the Kathy that works at my child's daycare? Is it Katie the cop? Cathy Spaulding?
A small community would be fine for that type of thing because everyone would know who is being mentioned. You can live in Pampa for years and never know who most of those people in her column are. If these people want their horn tooted, then let them take out an ad.
If her column is a "must," then I would like to see her write her columns in 1988 and not mention anyone she wrote about in 1987. There should be enough people in town to do that. Katie needs to peek through a different peephole.
Name Withheld

He thinks veterans are being ignored

To the editor:
Just when voters think they have heard the utmost in gall and hypocrisy, along comes former U.S. Congressman Bob Price and asks voters to consider putting him back on our payroll again!
He's stated that because of the contacts he still has around Washington, he feels that influence can be used to possibly help the people of this district.
A disabled veteran would like to have the help of anyone that can help in a futile battle with the VA and SS administrations.
The present Republican administration in Washington has shown almost total disdain and lack of concern for the veterans of this country. Mr. Boulter refuses to meet face to face to discuss problems.
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Conservatism is being practiced on the backs of needy veterans and the poor and disabled.
Mr. Price wants to put the question of his borrowing huge sums of money from public treasury behind and for voters to forget about it.
How can a voter forget that he borrowed millions of dollars on top of huge sums that he already owed, and apparently were not being repaid?
How can we forget and put in the past the fact that apparently he received special considerations on his huge loans and on repayment of those loans?
What happened to the sale of his ranch?
Has he repaid the money owed taxpayers?
It is very difficult for a veteran whose house roof leaks, whose VA compensation was cut off, who cannot get SSI because he's too young and "looks" all right, whose children wake up to a home that's 30 degrees or less on winter mornings to go to school because gas service cannot be afforded, who is constantly being bombarded by cut-off notices and threats from lawyers because of unpaid taxes and who somehow still feels more fortunate than many others.
Instead of putting behind Mr. Price's raiding of the U.S. treasury while in office as U.S. representative and seriously considering—or considering at all—voting for him, this paper would be doing us all a great service by delving into the past to get answers to the above questions.
Voters should and must consider whether Bob Price would again use his "influence" as congressman to obtain millions of dollars in loans that he might or might not have to repay.
The enrichment of politicians and their cronies may be the result of veterans being ignored, the poor doing with less and the disabled not receiving the benefits due them.
Only when all politicians, their cronies and all bureaucrats are made to live and adhere to the laws that apply to the rest of us will this government be "... of the people" and "for the people," as I believe the writers of our Constitution intended it to be!
Ray Velasquez
Pampa

He's urging defeat of new school bill

To the editor:
Last May, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the School Improvement Act of 1987, which is also known as HR 5. The bill is now before the Senate as S 373 and needs to be defeated. The Act alone is almost 500 pages long, and it involves 1.2 billion tax dollars in 1988 alone.
The problem is that these and all other federal intrusions into education are simply unconstitutional, and therefore illegal.
Our Constitution makes no mention of education whatsoever. The tenth amendment proclaims that "the powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution ... are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."
What this means is that the federal government can legally do what the Constitution specifically says it can do, and no more. All other powers belong to individuals, or to state governments that the individuals may empower. This provision is easy to understand, for the Founding Fathers knew from personal experience that great distance between the government and the citizens results in less liberty and security for the people.
Even though Texas taxpayers pay plenty to support the Federal Department of Education, we have very little say in how it operates. If the same money that we now pay to the federal bureaucracy were instead kept closer to home, the individual citizens would have a much stronger voice in how their money is being spent.
Instead, the Department of Education is at the mercy of extremely powerful and influential pressure groups, most notably the National Education Association.
Nationalized education has never been a good idea, and the tree has produced bitter fruit. Perhaps it's time to pull up our federal education bureaucracy by the roots and defeat HR 5 and S 373!
Michael Abraham
Public School Teacher
Amarillo

P.S. I have been contacted by several other veterans who are experiencing similar difficulties. They ask that I keep letting the people know about our plight.
It seems the Korean veterans are being isolated and targeted for reduction or termination of benefits. Two veterans who read my letters in this column before called me long distance.
I hope you and readers don't mind. Somebody somewhere has got to help us! Or have we been forgotten already?

She's still furious at lack of courtesy

To the editor:
I have stayed out of the letters concerning shopping in Pampa or not. BUT after what happened to me one Friday just after noon, I am FURIOUS!!
I may look eccentric as I wear long dresses wherever I go. I am old enough to "do my own thing" without others' opinions bothering me. BUT, I always look nice and neat.
I have run a business of my own and there-

fore am AWARE of "theft" laws, one of which is, IF a person has left the store with stolen goods, the store has NO legal authority to then stop the person!!

As I say, my family has lived in Pampa for over 40 years. My husband and I have known MANY people and have ministered to many. I have NEVER in my life STOLEN anything. The reason for these comments will be obvious in a moment.

When a certain store moved into Pampa, we were thrilled because we needed the competition and the good prices and the merchandise. Its key word has always been "courtesy."

I had been told of its sales on all Christmas merchandise, especially the stuffed animals. And as I have several grandchildren, I went out to take a look. I chose a big dog, two boxes of candy and a bed pillow that felt great. When the girl at the checkstand said they were out of big bags because of Christmas, I said, "Fine." I got a cart and tossed the merchandise in and took off for the parking lot and my car.

As I was walking at a fast pace, I became aware of "someone" right behind me, so I slowed down and a woman stepped up alongside of me and asked IF I had a sales ticket for my merchandise. I said, "Well, I suppose so. Why?" She said, "Let's see."

I was beginning to wonder what was going on. I turned up a small sack with a sales ticket clipped on it. I asked her who she was and she told me she was an employee of the store. I asked her if she had AUTHORITY to do what she had just done and she said no.

I told her I was going back into the store to talk to a manager. She said fine, she would TOO! By the time I got into the store, I was FURIOUS. I asked for a manager. I got a lady who was an assistant. I told her what had happened and asked her IF the employee had the authority for what she had done. And was told NO.

The employee had gotten in the store by this time, and I received the "treatment" accorded to little old ladies and the feeble-minded. So I asked for a MANAGER, NOT an assistant, and on the third time I was finally given a manager.

I told him I thought the store was built on courtesy to customers and WHY was I treated that way? Did I LOOK like a shoplifter? I only had three items in my basket. By this time, the employee was saying how sorry she was and it would never happen again, etc. It seems the employees had been told to keep an eye out for merchandise not wrapped or sacked, BUT NO one had the authority to stop someone and especially NOT in the PARKING LOT!

Now, maybe I am not nice, but we have spent a LOT of money with that store, and I am STILL furious at the treatment I received. I will have to continue to shop there OR go to Amarillo as so many others do.

When a company cannot control their employees, then I think that company is in sad shape. After many years in public, one can "usually" tell a shoplifter, and they seldom put three items in a basket and take off.

It seems to me that the Pampa stores need to have more efficient employees and better service all the way around IF they really want us to shop at home.

Still mad,
Shirley Meaker
Pampa

Some customers abusing carriers

To the editor:
My son has a paper route, and when I watch him try to collect each month from subscribers, I get very frustrated. Every newspaper or magazine subscription has to be paid in advance; it is standard procedure in the industry.

But several of my son's customers have the idea that when they do not pay the \$4.25 for a month's subscription, they are only ripping off *The Pampa News*.

One said, "I'm not going to pay this month. *The Pampa News* can afford it." Nothing could be further from the truth. Every carrier has to pay his or her account in advance, which includes a newspaper for every subscriber on their route. Whenever anyone is slow to pay or refuses to pay but still receives a paper, they do not hurt *The Pampa News* one bit. The only

one they hurt is their carrier, the person who is trying to please the customer and make a decent return for his efforts.

Listen to some of the excuses he hears trying to collect: "Come back Friday and I'll pay you then." (Guess who's not home Friday?) "My husband went hunting and took the checkbook." "My wife's not here now and she takes care of all that stuff." Or, "I can't pay you today. I just got back from the beauty shop." And the old standby, "The check is in the mail." (But it somehow never arrives.)

Most subscribers are very good about paying and I am thankful for them. Unfortunately, it's those who are abusing the system that robs a young man who is paying for those doing the free reading. Would you like to take a wild guess as to the ones who squawk the loudest when he misses throwing their paper?

Oh, and one more thing: *The Pampa News* does not require a carrier to porch any papers unless the subscriber is an invalid who cannot get out into the yard to get the paper. Several tip my son to porch their papers anyway, which is an encouraging bonus. However, four subscribers asked to have their papers porched (promising to tip the carrier), but Christmas has come and gone and no tips from these four! They should tip in advance, then he could gladly porch their paper.

I hope this letter educates enough people to help all the carriers, including my son.

Name withheld to protect my son

Important to look at pros and cons

To the editor:
I teach classes at the community college level. Part of my job as an instructor is to challenge my students to think and to process information. I pose many questions which require the student to critically evaluate certain concepts and ideas.

I tell them "up front" that no answer to this type of question will receive full credit until both pros and cons have been listed. Then, after fully evaluating the issue, my students are free to form their own personal opinion.

I think perhaps it is important to look at both the pros and cons of each and every issue that concerns us as citizens of our community. I choose to view the various "letters to the editor" as the expression of differing opinions, rather than as "positive" or "negative."

Who can really decide what is positive or negative? Attempts to define those two terms can only create a penumbra which cannot be isolated into clear-cut black and white issues or solutions.

There is great danger in encouraging or allowing only "positive" or one-sided opinions to be endorsed or accepted within a community. Sometimes the differing points of view can stimulate and challenge a community to become even better than where it is at the present time. I think it is good that our local newspaper provides a format for the expression of differing views and opinions. I may agree or disagree with what various letter authors have written, but I will carefully evaluate all types of opinions.

The only true "negativism" may become apparent after various decisions and opinions face the test of time. An opinion that appeared "negative" at one point in time may prove to have been the best opinion 5 or 10 years down the road.

I personally like to see "thought provoking" letters which can challenge the readers to think about the issues which concern our community as a whole and each of us as individual citizens within that community.

It would be frightening to imagine a community existing in which all persons were of one opinion ... a community in which the same definition of "positive" was held by all ... a community in which there would be no "letters to the editor" because there would be no differing views.

These types of communities may exist, but hopefully not in America. Our forefathers paid a dear price to insure our freedoms. I feel a tremendous degree of indebtedness to those brave men who "heard a different drummer" and were daring enough to express those opinions.

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Nation

Reagan's budget boosts politically popular projects

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's record \$1.1 trillion election-year budget proposal calls for hefty increases in politically popular projects including the environmental "Superfund," the air traffic control system and the manned space station, budget documents show.

In fact, the administration's fiscal 1989 budget — to be submitted formally to Congress in mid-February — appears designed to minimize new political confrontations with lawmakers.

The increases would come even though other parts of the budget aim new blows at some perennial Reagan targets: Amtrak passenger service, housing subsidies and Small Business Administration loans.

A confidential summary of the budget proposal, prepared by the Office of Management and Budget and obtained by The Associated Press, shows that the administration plans to recommend a \$340 million increase in outlays for the Superfund program.

The administration in the past has been accused by congressional Democrats of neglecting the fund for cleaning up toxic waste dumps, the nation's largest public works project.

The OMB summary, prepared for President Reagan, urges an increase in funds large enough to prevent any delay in starting projects ready for cleanup and to avoid an election-year controversy over Superfund.

Reagan approved the budget draft on Wednesday.

Agencies still can appeal the OMB revisions. However, it appeared unlikely that major elements of the budget package would be changed between now and the formal submission to Congress.

The proposed increase in Superfund money — to \$1.2 billion from fiscal 1988 outlays of \$860 million — comes as the administration prepared to try again on earlier proposals for deep cutbacks in other domestic programs, the documents show.

The administration's budget will renew recommendations — previously ignored by Congress — to sell Amtrak rail passenger service, terminate the direct loan program of the Small Business Administration, abolish the Interstate Commerce Commission and reduce or eliminate mass transit grants and low-income housing subsidies.

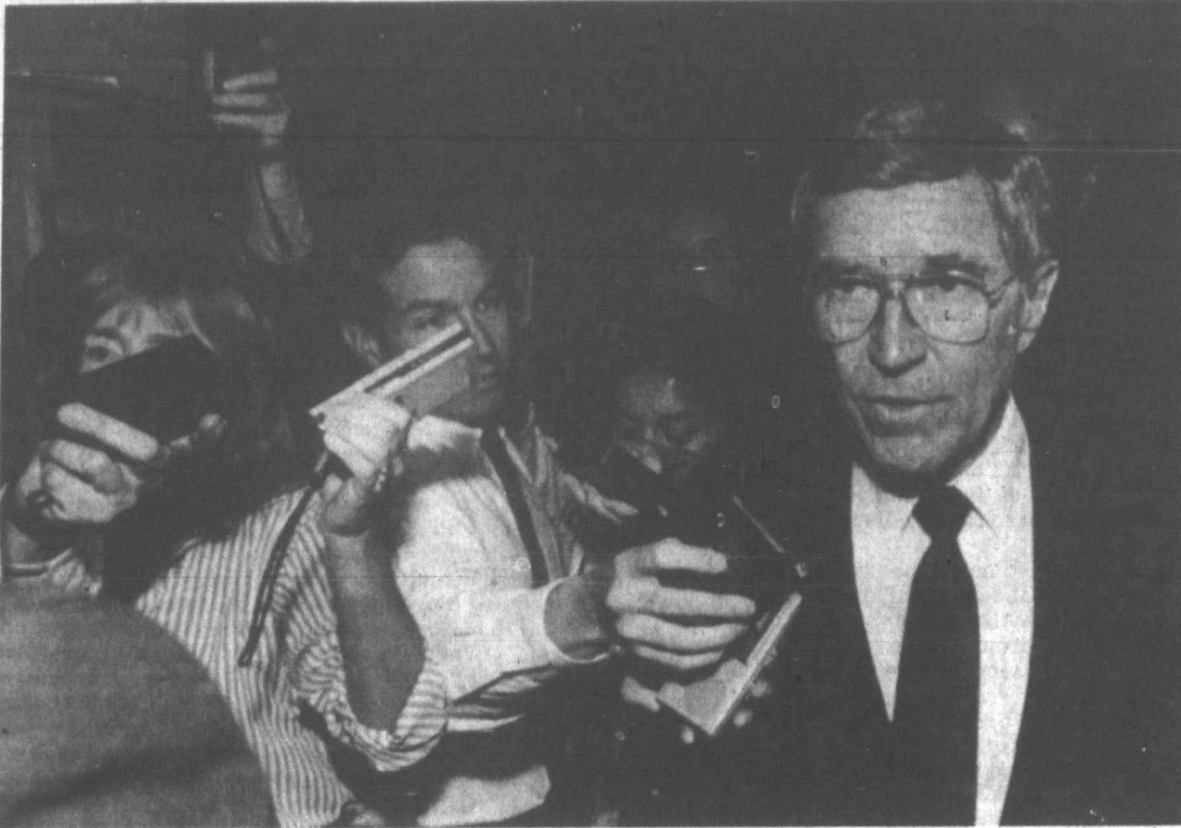
Increases in the budget, according to the confidential documents, include a proposal of \$10.9 billion for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration — up from \$9.39 billion in 1988.

The increase calls for a near-doubling of present outlays for the manned space station, to \$737 million, and proposes a \$247 million increase in funding for the overall space shuttle program, to \$4.48 billion.

The proposed new budget also includes \$960 million for AIDS research and a \$230 million installment toward the \$5.3 billion, eight-year superconducting super collider project, to be the world's most powerful atom smasher.

In addition, the administration is seeking a \$115 million increase to modernize air traffic control and a \$185 million boost for the Internal Revenue Service, according to the draft documents.

Overall, the new budget calls for a record \$1.104 trillion in spending in fiscal 1989 against projected receipts of \$968 billion.



Mecham, right, refuses comment after learning of his indictment.

Arizona governor says he won't resign over charges

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Gov. Evan Mecham's indictment on fraud and perjury charges for failing to report a \$350,000 campaign loan has renewed calls for his resignation from state lawmakers in both parties, but Mecham vows to stay on.

A state grand jury Friday charged Mecham, 63, with six felonies, including perjury, fraud and filing a false campaign contribution report, which carry a maximum prison term of almost 23 years. His brother and campaign treasurer, Willard, was indicted on three similar counts.

A small fire was set Friday night in a filing cabinet in the law office of William French, special counsel the Arizona House hired to investigate whether Mecham should be impeached, fire department spokesman Steve Jensen said.

"It is arson. It definitely is arson," Jensen said. There was no immediate word on whether authorities had any suspects.

French said sprinklers extinguished the fire and his paperwork on Mecham was not affected, according to Jensen.

The Mecham brothers face arraignment in Superior Court on Jan. 22, Attorney General Bob Corbin said. If convicted, the Republican governor will be automatically removed from office.

Mecham, who has consistently denied wrongdoing, did not comment to reporters as he left the Capitol Friday evening.

His press secretary, Ken Smith, said the governor was not surprised at the indictment and felt "a sense of relief because at least this formalizes some of this. ... There's no longer jousting at windmills."

Mecham will not resign and plans to deliver his State of the State address to the opening of the Legislature as planned on Monday, Smith said.

Republicans, who control both houses of the Legislature, have been divided over whether Mecham should resign. Even some of Mecham's fellow conservatives have expressed fear that his controversial presence could give Democrats, who have not won either chamber since 1974, a victory in November.

"I personally believe the best thing the governor could do for the state of Arizona is resign," Rep. Jim Hartdegen, a Republican, said after the indictment Friday. Hartdegen has called for Mecham's resignation previously, but this time he added gravely, "I feel very cold at this point."

Rep. Bobby Raymond, a Democrat, said that for Mecham to consider resigning would be the "statesmanlike thing to do."

House Minority Leader Art Hamilton said Mecham "may very well have reached a point where he simply finds himself unable to govern" because of the time it will take to defend himself.

The Mechams are accused of

concealing a \$350,000 campaign loan in November 1986 by Tempe developer Barry Wolfson. The loan made up about one-third of the campaign war chest when Mecham won the governorship for the first time in five tries.

The governor has said the failure to report the loan was an "honest mistake" made by Willard Mecham. The governor amended his personal and campaign financial documents in November when media reports disclosed the loan.

The governor and his brother were charged with perjury, fraud and false filing for omitting the loan from a campaign-finance disclosure report. Signing a false financial-disclosure statement constitutes perjury, officials said.

Mecham also was charged with fraud and two counts of perjury for omitting the loan from two personal-finance disclosure statements.

If Mecham resigned or were removed from office he would be replaced by Secretary of State Rose Mofford, a Democrat. If he were forced to run in a recall, he would have to face all comers in a non-partisan election.

Ed Buck, founder of the Mecham Recall Committee, said Mecham should step down because "Arizona certainly deserves better than this. It's time for Mecham to resign, way past time for him to resign."

Bush put on the spot in first GOP debates

By The Associated Press

Vice President George Bush was on the spot when Republican presidential candidates gathered for their first debate of the election year, while Democratic hopefuls scattered across the nation in bids for regional support.

Bush's prominence during Friday night's debate in Des Moines, Iowa, was a mixed blessing for the acknowledged GOP front-runner — he was frequently at the center of attention but he spent much of the time defending himself.

The vice president's rivals, spurred by a flurry of recent press reports on the extent of his involvement in the Iran-Contra affair, honed in on the issue with Bush waging a vigorous defense.

Bush said he hadn't known about the diversion of funds to the Nicaraguan Contras from the Reagan administration's sale of arms to Iran. He added that he "probably erred" on the side of trying to free American hostages held by terrorists, but said he was not at all ashamed of his concern for the captives.

He added, "A deal that wasn't supposed to be arms for hostages turned out to be that." But he continued to refuse to disclose what advice he gave the president on the arms sales or hostage-release efforts.

Rep. Jack Kemp of New York took on Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole at one point over the Kansas senator's energy program. Kemp said the oil import fee backed by Dole is a "shell game."

Dole later bristled when Kemp asserted that Dole had tried several years ago to persuade a major foreign oil producer to raise its prices. "I didn't ask the Saudis to raise the price of oil," Dole snapped.

But that exchange was relatively unusual, and the candidates for the most part stuck to repeating familiar themes, with Dole describing himself as a lead-

er who "made it the hard way" and Kemp restating his opposition to higher taxes.

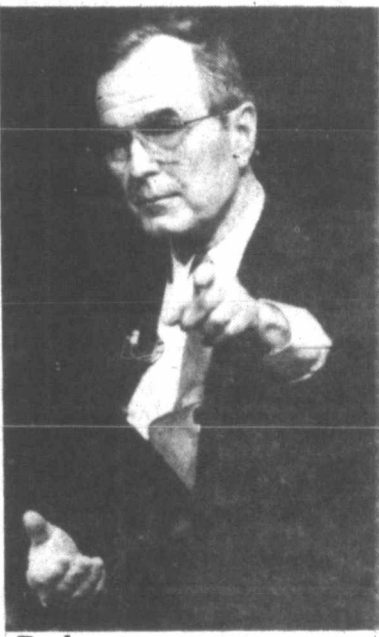
Former Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig promised not to govern according to the whim of public opinion; and former television evangelist Pat Robertson said he would want the people he brings into government to share his "traditional moral values."

Former Delaware Gov. Pete du Pont said he would like "every family in America to have the same opportunity" that his wealthy family has had.

While the Republicans were concentrated in Iowa, the Democratic field was spread far and wide.

Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis campaigned in Florida and picked up the support of former state Democratic chairman Alfredo Duran, a Cuban-American lawyer in Miami.

In Wisconsin, Jesse Jackson pledged his support for striking paperworkers and called for a "workers' bill of rights." Jackson spoke to about 900 workers on strike against the Nicolet Paper Co.



Bush

Cold still grips East, South

By The Associated Press

A storm that virtually closed the nation's capital and government offices in four states heaped snow on the Northeast Saturday, after pulling down power lines in the Deep South and glazing roads from Texas to New England.

The storm piled up to 8 inches of snow in Rhode Island and 11 inches in Portland, Maine, by early Saturday. A foot of snow fell Friday in parts of Connecticut, 14 at Worcester, Mass., 9 inches in Washington and 7 in New York City. New Hampshire and Vermont each got up to 10 inches.

Powdery snow was forecast to continue to fall from New England to Virginia.

"The snow is fluffy. It's beautiful," said Horst Locher, mountain manager for Bryce Resort in Basey, Va. "That's great snow for skiers. Today, the good snow doesn't help because people can't come in, but it will help."

The severe cold and snow have been blamed for at least 65 deaths since Jan. 2, including 20 from exposure.

While the storm was finally starting to move off the Atlantic Coast, another was developing in

the Pacific Northwest. The National Weather Service issued a winter storm warning Saturday for the Cascade Mountains of Oregon, where 12 to 18 inches of snow was possible.

Federal officials in Washington decided to keep some 340,000 government workers home Friday because past storms have severely snarled traffic, especially when workers were sent home early. The city's municipal offices also were closed.

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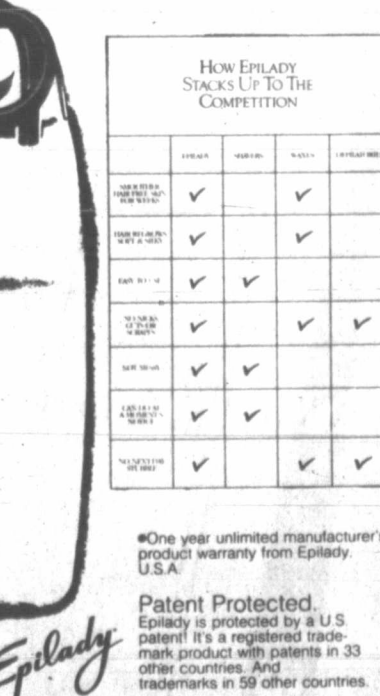
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World

Honduras OKs dismantling of rebels' camps

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — The government told an international panel checking compliance with a Central American peace plan that Honduras will not be a sanctuary for rebels fighting the government of neighboring Nicaragua.

Referring to rebel camps based in Honduran territory, Foreign Minister Carlos Lopez Contreras issued a statement saying:

"We have pledged to dismantle any type of installations or logistical and operational support facilities of the irregular forces or insurrectionist movements that are carrying out civil wars in the neighboring countries, including the counterrevolution of Nicaragua."

The 15-member verification commission was in Honduras this weekend as part of week-long trip through Central America to check progress on the peace plan, signed Aug. 7 by the presidents of Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala and Costa Rica. The panel was traveled Saturday for El Salvador, where its itinerary calls for meetings with government, church, peasant and human rights groups.

It will present its findings Jan. 15 to a summit of the Central American presidents in San Jose, Costa Rica.

Before the panel began a series of hearings in Honduras, President Jose Azcona Hoyo said panel members were free to "inspect any place in the country without advising beforehand," including air bases and military installations.

Honduran officials often have denied that the rebel camps exist, only saying that guerrillas came and went across the rugged, ill-defined border between Honduras and Nicaragua. However, they also have said in the past that the rebels would have to leave their territory.

Lopez Contreras said in a statement that Honduras would not be a sanctuary for Central American insurgents and will abide by the peace agreement.

The U.S.-backed Contras, as the rebels are known, have mounted operations into Nicaragua from base camps in Honduras. They claim that many of their 18,000 fighters have now infiltrated into Nicaragua, where they are trying to oust the leftist Sandinista government.

American forces frequently conduct joint maneuvers with Honduran troops, operating from the Palmerola air base.

On Friday, the verification panel met with Honduras' National Reconciliation Commission, armed forces officials and leaders of labor, political, religious and human rights groups.

The commission includes representatives of the Organization of American States, the United Nations, the five Central American countries that signed the peace plan and members of the Contadora group and its support organization.

In another development, President Vinicio Cerezo of Guatemala said his government would renew talks with its leftist rebels.



(AP Laserphoto)

Grieving relatives gather around dead body of 17-year-old killed Saturday in the Gaza Strip.

Israeli troops hit Gaza Strip

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli troops clashed with Palestinians in the occupied Gaza Strip Saturday during a full-scale commercial and school strike, killing one demonstrator and wounding four others, the army command said.

A military spokesman said troops opened fire to disperse demonstrators in two separate protests in Khan Yunis.

An Arab reporter in Gaza City identified the dead man as Bassem Hader Musallem, 17, a resident of the Khan Yunis refugee camp. He was killed after protesters marched from the nearby village of Bani Suhaila to downtown Khan Yunis, where they clashed with Israeli troops.

The army command said the soldiers used tear gas and rubber bullets before opening fire on the protesters.

The Palestine Press Service, which monitors events in the occupied territories, said another woman was shot in the chest during a demonstration in the town. Saturday's killing brought to 27 the number of Palestinians slain by Israeli army gunfire since the current surge of unrest began Dec. 8 in the occupied territories. About 180 Arabs have been wounded.

U.N. spokeswoman Christine

Debagh told The Associated Press there were no cars on the streets of the Gaza Strip and tensions were high because of a stay-at-home strike ordered by the Jihad Islami, or Islamic Holy War.

The Moslem fundamentalist organization ordered residents to stay indoors to demonstrate solidarity with some 1,100 Palestinians still in custody after being detained since widespread disturbances broke out in the occupied territories on Dec. 8.

The army confirmed that Israeli soldiers killed one Palestinian and wounded seven others Friday.

Most of the 50,000 Gazan who work in Israel stayed away from their jobs Saturday, heeding warnings to stay indoors as a show of solidarity with those arrested.

"Every car that passes will be burned and destroyed and every store that opens will be burned and destroyed," said a Jihad Islami pamphlet distributed in mosques and street corners Friday.

"Don't go out of your houses on Saturday ... to prove to your sons in prison ... that you are with

them," it added. Israel has occupied the Gaza Strip and the West Bank since capturing the territories from Egypt and Jordan, respectively, in the 1967 Middle East war. About 1.5 million Palestinians live in the occupied lands.

In Gaza City, Arab residents said taxis that carry workers to jobs in Israel were not running and Arab youths threw stones at a half-dozen private cars seen in the streets at mid-morning.

An Arab reporter said 1,000 protesters at the Bureij refugee camp south of Gaza City hurled rocks at Israeli soldiers Friday and chanted, "In spirit, in blood, we sacrifice for you, Palestine!"

The soldiers opened fire, killing 22-year-old Khaled Awadeh and wounding three men, according to the reporter and officials at Arab Ahli Hospital in Gaza City.

Soldiers fired tear gas and guns at demonstrators who came from a mosque at Khan Yunis, a city near the Egyptian border. The Arab journalist, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said four people were wounded.

Arab tour flexes Egypt's muscle

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Saudi royalty Saturday greeted President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt with hugs and kisses when he arrived on the first stop of a Persian Gulf tour intended to consolidate the Arab stance on the Iran-Iraq war.

Until now, such a tour had been prevented by Egypt's 1979 treaty with Israel.

King Fahd led a long line of Saudi dignitaries in flowing cloaks and Arabian headgear.

A 21-gun salute echoed as Mubarak alighted from his presidential jet.

The tour precedes Mubarak's Jan. 28 meeting with President Reagan in Washington and talks with leaders of France, Italy, West Germany and Britain.

Beginning with Saudi Arabia, Mubarak will visit Bahrain, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman. They

comprise the Gulf Cooperation Council, a military-economic grouping of Arab moderates.

Except for Oman, the Arab nations broke relations with Egypt in 1979 as punishment for signing the peace treaty with Israel. They restored ties last November after an Arab League summit decision cleared the way.

Mubarak, who just began his second term, is expected to seek a unified position on the Iran-Iraq war and the Arab-Israeli dispute.

Officials here said Mubarak's talks with Fahd will focus on what Egypt can do to help the gulf countries in light of Iranian threats.

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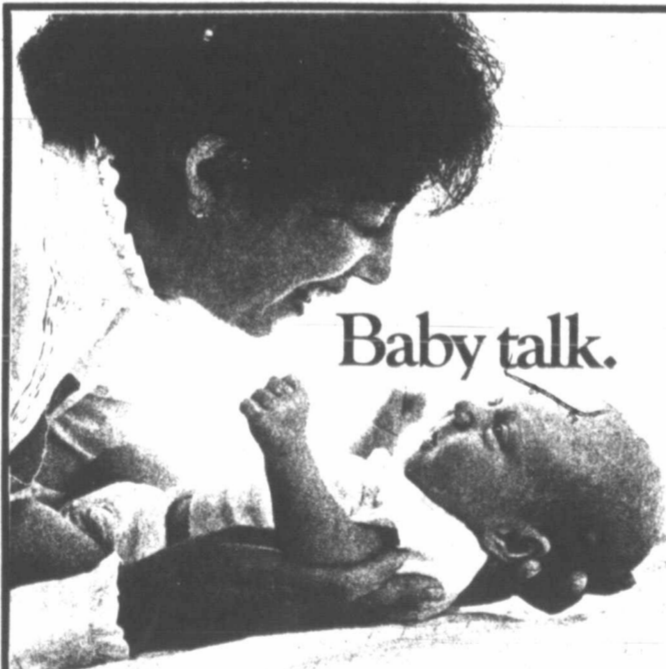
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Lavina Bhatia is shown wearing the traditional face painting and jewelry associated with an Indian bride. Indians use weddings as an appropriate occasion to display their wealth. Notice the traditional red and white dots over the eyebrows and the red dot in the center of the forehead, a symbol showing that she is now a married woman.

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Special to *The Pampa News*

Imagine flowing saris in jeweled colors, richly embroidered and beaded in gold. Imagine a gilded canopy covered with bright garlands of red, green and gold, covered with strange drawings and writings. See beneath it a small man draped in simple clothes of ivory and brown. Watch as he arranges flower petals of pink and white and pots of powders in fluorescent reds, pinks and oranges.

This is the scene of a double Hindu wedding ceremony Jan. 2 at the Pampa Country Club - the marriage of Anita Bhatia to Kishan Khemani and Lavina Bhatia to Arun Chawla.

About 200 guests from Pampa, New York, Chicago and as far away as Dubai, United Arab Emirates, a small country near Iran, attended the event hosted by Drs. Laxman and Chand Bhatia of Pampa.

Both marriages had been arranged between the parents of the brides and grooms. Gul Vaswani, brother-in-law of the Bhatia sisters, explained the Indian tradition of arranging marriage as a practice whose wisdom has been proven by experience. And India's divorce rate reflects this — .05 percent compared to the American divorce rate of about 47 percent.

Generally, young people complete their education and find a good job, Vaswani said. Then their parents begin looking for a suitable life partner for them. It may take a week. It may take two years.

"They want to be sure that they find the right person for their daughter," Vaswani explained.

The parents spread the word to friends and relatives that they have a daughter or son who is ready to marry. Then the matchmaking begins.

Parents of the woman look for compatibility, looks, family background, education and how well the prospective son-in-law can provide for their daughter. Caste is not as important now as it was in the past.

"Ten years ago, the groom's parents looked for beauty, household skills - how well she could cook and sew," Vaswani added. Now education is considered as more important than household skills, he said.

Parents set up well-chaperoned meetings between the young man and woman. Indian women are not allowed to go out alone with a man, Vaswani said. At the meetings, the couple decide whether they are compatible.

"If you like each other and think you can get along with each other, then the marriage is arranged," he said.

The Bhatia sisters were introduced to their new husbands through friends, Anita Bhatia said.

The dowry system, once an important part of the wedding arrangement, is breaking down in India, Vaswani said. "If (the bride's parents) feel they can afford to, they give what they like, but it is not a part of the arrangement any longer," he said.

Formerly the bride was given a complete household from her parents. Often gold, in the form of jewelry, was also given.

Once the engagement is decided upon, arrangements for the wedding begin immediately. Most weddings take place between one to three months from the time the engagement is announced.

Indians freely admit to being superstitious. For this reason, the date and time — to the hour — of the wedding are chosen by a priest.

"Not a single marriage is made without getting the date from the priest," Vaswani explained.

The priest gives the couple two to three dates and times that are the most sacred and the most auspicious for the marriage. The couple then choose the date and time that are best for them.

Marriage among Hindus is the 13th of the 16 ceremonies in a person's life. It is meant to unite two souls so firmly that after marriage, although their bodies seem separate, their souls are to become one.

But putting on a traditional Hindu wedding ceremony in Pampa, Texas, thousands of miles from its birthplace, brought many obstacles to the Bhatia family. While a couple can choose between a

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Kishan Khemani hangs a golden garland *jaimala* around the neck of his fiancée Anita Bhatia in the exchange of garlands, a welcoming ceremony held just prior to the wedding.



Kishan Khemani and Anita Bhatia "take the seven steps" around the fire, *phere*, while Hindu priest Gore recites the seven sacred wedding vows in Sanskrit. Brother-in-laws hover in the background to be certain the bride's heavy skirts are not caught in the flames.



The *Gita*, the Hindu holy book, written in Sanskrit.

PHOTOS BY DUANE A. LAVERTY



Hindu priest Gore prepares the powders and flower petals necessary for the Hindu marriage ceremony.



Vivak Seth, left, wearing traditional Indian tunic and pajama pants, dances for the brides and grooms to a light-hearted song designed to bring the families closer together.

Menus

Jan. 11-15

Lefors schools

MONDAY
Spaghetti and meat sauce, salad, peaches and cottage cheese, rolls, milk.

TUESDAY
Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, rolls, applesauce, milk.

WEDNESDAY
Hamburgers, lettuce and tomato, ranch style beans, chips, pineapple, milk.

THURSDAY
Polish sausage, macaroni and cheese, green beans, rolls, apple sauce, milk.

FRIDAY
Teachers' work day.

Pampa schools

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Biscuit and gravy, applesauce, milk.

TUESDAY
Cinnamon toast, mixed fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY
Cook's choice.

THURSDAY
French toast with syrup, pear half, milk.

FRIDAY
Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY
Barbeque wieners, macaroni and cheese, English peas, applesauce, biscuit, chocolate or white milk.

TUESDAY
Steak fingers, creamy mashed potatoes with gravy, hot buttered corn, Jello with fruit, fresh baked hot rolls with butter, milk.

WEDNESDAY
Cook's choice.

THURSDAY
Chili beans, coleslaw, pear half, cornbread with butter, chocolate or white milk.

FRIDAY
Deluxe hamburgers, french fries with catsup, pickle chips, homemade cherry cobbler, milk.

Pampa senior citizens

MONDAY
Chicken fried steak with cream gravy or burritos and chili, mashed potatoes, spinach, harvard beets, pinto beans, toss, Jello or slaw salad, peach cobbler or ugly duckling cake, cornbread or hot rolls.

TUESDAY
Barbeque beef or chicken chop suey over Chinese noodles, cheese potatoes, baked cabbage, blackeyed peas, boiled okra, toss, Jello or slaw salad, chocolate pie or pineapple upside down cake, cornbread or hot rolls.

WEDNESDAY
Roast beef with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, fried okra, turnip greens, green lima beans, pineapple squares or angel food cake, cornbread or hot rolls.

THURSDAY
Tender smothered pork chops or tacos, candied yams, green beans, cream corn, brussels sprouts, toss, Jello or slaw salad, cornbread or hot rolls.

FRIDAY
Pepper steak over buttered noodles or fried cod fish with tartar sauce, french fries, buttered broccoli, corn on the cob, spinach, toss, Jello or slaw salad, bread pudding or lemon pie, garlic bread or hot rolls.

Club News

Kappa Alpha Chapter #3001 Epsilon Sigma Alpha
Members of Kappa Alpha Chapter #3001, Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority, met at 8 p.m. Dec. 3 in the Red Cross meeting room.
The meeting was called to order by Lorie Miller, president, with six members and two pledges present. Opening Ritual was recited.
Ann Turner, service director, thanked everyone who participated in dressing dolls for a service project for the Salvation Army. The chapter was presented an award by the Salvation Army for helping with the Christmas doll dressing project and was invited to attend a doll dressers' reception at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13 at the Salvation Army offices to see the dolls in their new outfits.

A thank-you letter was read from the family who received the Thanksgiving food basket provided by the chapter. Plans were discussed concerning helping a family in need as a chapter Christmas project.
The December social was held Dec. 17 in the home of Turner, 1220 McCullough. Hostesses were Turner and members of the social committee.
A program on "Christmas Customs Around the World" was presented by Jane Jacobs. Refreshments were served and members exchanged Christmas gifts and revealed Secret Sisters for 1987. New names were drawn for Secret Sisters for 1988.

Christmas cards were addressed for Meals on Wheels recipients. Tray favors had been made at an earlier meeting for use during the holidays by Meals on Wheels.
Members and husbands served refreshments at the Senior Citizen's Christmas party, held Dec. 18 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. Reindeer lapel decorations made of felt were given to everyone who attended.

Civic Culture Club
The recent holiday party of Civic Culture Club was held in the home of Mrs. Ewing Cobb.
President Capitola Wilson presided over a short business meeting. Members chose a gift for Alvena Williams, a nursing home resident, from two gifts offered by Georgia Holding.

The 1987-88 club officers were re-elected for 1988-89.
Club member Zola Donald's daughter, Eleana, gave a program of Christmas carols and the stories behind them.
A gift exchange was held, and Christmas favors were given to those present from Wilson, program chairman Marilyn Butler and hostess Vi Cobb. Door prizes were provided by the social committee, Lettie Smith and Zola Donald.

The next meeting will be Jan. 12 at the White Deer Land Museum, with Wilson as hostess.
Upsilon
Upsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Thursday, Dec. 17 in the

home of Kathy Parsons. Co-hostessing the meeting with Parsons was Kim Winegeart. A meal prepared by the hostesses was served to those in attendance.
Thank-you notes were read by Charlotte Willett, corresponding secretary. Also read aloud were Christmas greetings from Gloria Golt of New Braunfels and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Lindeman and sons from Pennsylvania. A card from the current Woman of the Year, Mrs. Ruth Tarpley, was read by President Ram Been, thanking Upsilon for the plant she received on her birthday.

Friendship chairman Parsons discussed a Christmas gift for Mrs. Tarpley, and mentioned remembrances by card for honorary Upsilon members.
A short discussion was held on a tentative ways and means project for the spring. The subject was tabled until further facts could be gathered.
The meeting ended with an exchange of Christmas gifts between Secret Sisters.

Pampa Garden Club
Pampa Garden Club met Monday, Jan. 4 in the home of Mrs. James Quarry, 1015 E. Francis.
Mrs. William Martin reported that peach and apricot trees had been planted at Genesis House. Mrs. Quarry said that the concrete forms for flower beds had been completed there. She also reported that the concrete had been donated by Pampa Concrete Company.
Mrs. S.T. Holding reported on

membership, and Mrs. Henry Gruben gave highlights on planning a yearbook.

Mrs. Martin gave a program on the Gray Hairstreak butterfly as part of the club's comprehensive study of the horticulture of Hoya plants and displayed several plants.

Mrs. G.C. Davis, whose program topic was "Flowering House Plants," told of the horticulture and propagation of chenille, suchia, poinsettia, geranium, amaryllis and ornamental pepper plants.

The next meeting will be at 2 p.m. Jan. 18 in Lovett Memorial Library auditorium. The program will be a slide presentation on "Flowering Trees in the Landscape."

Sunshine Girls Extension Homemakers
Sunshine Girls Extension Homemakers Club met at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 5 in the home of Mrs. Idella Giblin.

Officers for 1988 are Mrs. Pauline Watson, president; Mrs. Ellen Boyd, vice president; Mrs. Beulah Terrell, secretary-treasurer and council delegate; Mrs. Evelyn Huff, reporter; and Mrs. Giblin, telephone chairman.

Plans for the coming year were discussed. The program was to fill out yearbooks.

Refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 19 in the home of Mrs. Giblin.

Coronado Hospital to host Maternity Fair

Coronado Hospital in Pampa is hosting a Maternity Fair from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Jan. 16 at the hospital for all expectant parents.
The free fair will feature exhibits, free classes and a tour of the maternity areas of the hospital.
Highlight of the fair will be the tour of the hospital, which begins

at 4 p.m., conducted by Pampa physicians who deliver babies. A physician will be stationed at the Acuson (sonogram) unit, the delivery room, labor room and nursery to answer expecting parents' questions about what happens in the hospital.
From 1 to 1:30 p.m., expecting parents will register and visit special displays to see exhibits of educational toys, baby clothes and baby furniture. They will also receive information about Lamaze, the LaLeche League and good nutrition for the new mother and baby.
At 1:30 p.m., the hospital will

give parents information about the financial side of having a baby, and will answer parents' questions about pre-registration, insurance deductibles and other topics.

At 2 p.m., a free infant CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) class will teach parents how to help a choking infant.

At 3 p.m., Dr. Robert Phillips will tell the group how to care for a newborn baby, and at 3:30 p.m., Dr. Moss Hampton will discuss the care of the new mother.

Drawings are scheduled throughout the afternoon to give away five infant car seats.

"The hospital hosted a Maternity Fair last summer which proved so popular that the event is now scheduled twice each year," said Linda Haynes, director of public relations for the hospital.

Anyone wishing to attend the Maternity Fair may call 665-3721, extension 123, to pre-register. Space will be limited in the classes.

Girl Scouts to sell cookies

Girls from Quivira Girl Scout Council will take orders for the annual cookie sale from Jan. 15 to Jan. 31.
Types of cookies being sold this year include Trefoils, Samoas, Do-Si-Dos, Chocolate Chunks, Tagalongs, Thin Mints and the new Echo cookie, which is similar to an Oreo.
Cookies are \$2 per box. Proceeds from the cookie sales support a variety of Girl Scout activities including council events, troop programs and resident camp.
For more information on the cookie sale, contact Terry Harrison, Pampa cookie chairman, at 665-6037, or Quivira Girl Scout Council at 669-6862.

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by Ron Hendrick, D.V.M.

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Entertainment

Guest critics rank best movies, records for 1987

Music had variety, surprises

By PATT RICHARDS
Guest Entertainment Critic

1987 was a year with a variety of changes and surprises in the music business.

Michael Jackson and Bruce Springsteen returned with new albums. Madonna and Billy Idol compiled dance mixes off their previous albums onto new discs, and five pretty New Jersey boys named Bon Jovi dominated the charts.

But there are many other acts that were on the charts, and they turned out the best albums 1987 had to offer. There could be some disagreement, but to me, the following albums were the ten best.

The Irish quartet U2 set the charts on fire with their splendid sociopolitical album *The Joshua Tree*. U2 finally hit the mark with this album, injecting some tasteful music into the hit parade. Two singles off the album, "With or Without You" and "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For," reached number one.

The pressure is on U2 now to create a follow-up studio album that is as masterful as *The Joshua Tree*.

The band of the '90s could very well be The Replacements. Their 1987 release, *Pleased to Meet Me*, received great critical acclaim despite being respected as primarily a college band. From the first song to the closing chords, *Pleased to Meet Me* captivates and controls the listener.

Another college band eclipsing their boundaries is Athens, Ga., based R.E.M. R.E.M. finally received their long-awaited fame with the exceptional album, *Document*. The first single

reached Top 10 ("The One I Love"), and they rated a cover story in *Rolling Stone*. They also put forth one of the most energetic stage shows on the road.

After warming up the radio waves with "Good Times" from *The Lost Boys* soundtrack, INXS has hit America with *Kick*. The first single, "Need You Tonight," is still on the charts and INXS is gaining tremendous popularity. Granted, *Kick* isn't as good as earlier INXS stuff, like *The Swing* and *Listen Like Thieves*. But it's better than most.

England's avant-garde pop band The Cure released *Kiss Me, Kiss Me*, a double album of songs, written by lead singer Robert Smith, about the many pitfalls in modern relationships. Just saying that would be an extreme understatement.

Smith sings the tales of bitter hatred and torment with a passion and fury that is unheard of in today's music. In a radio-world filled with happy-go-lucky love songs, The Cure offer a bleak, but enjoyable alternative.

Another British band, The Cult, regained their sound to a more crunching metallic sound on *Electric*. Ghosts of Led Zepplin and Jimi Hendrix haunt the album.

Guitarist Billy Duffy has the promise to be one of the next guitar heroes. Lead throat Ian Astbury has the spookiest voice in the business. With this hard-edged album, it seemed fitting they did a cover of Steppenwolf's "Born to Be Wild."

To round out this list, four rock legends came back in 1987 with new albums that proved they still had what it takes.

A Momentary Lapse of Reason from Pink Floyd was perhaps the most lavishly produced album of 1987. David Gilmore, Nick Mason and Rick Wright proved they didn't need bassist and self-proclaimed mastermind of Pink Floyd, Roger Waters. "On the Turning Away" is one of the best singles of 1987. The whole album is terrific and trademark Floyd.

Yes returned in 1987 with *Big Generator*, their first album since the hit long-player *90125*. The harmonizing that Yes can perform is simply amazing. The production on this album is also tremendous. The songs "Shoot High, Aim Low" and "Big Generator" alone make this album exceptional.

Ex-Band guitarist Robbie Robertson's self-titled album is nothing short of marvelous. But what do you expect, getting guest appearances from Peter Gabriel, the BoDeans and U2? But Robertson teaches them a thing or two. On "Sweet Fire of Love," Bono is nothing but a background singer.

George Harrison put his fans in Seventh Heaven with *Cloud Nine*. Like the legends before him on this list, the production is incredible. Guest appearances on Harrison's album include Eric Clapton, Elton John and Ringo Starr. Do not judge this album by the first single. There are more complex songs on the album.

Sure, there are other albums that could have been included, but make your own list.

These are the ten best of 1987 in no specific order. 1988 looks promising with a double-live album from U2, a solo album from Keith Richards and other surprises, just like 1987.

Hollywood had stagnant films

By BRAD POPE
Guest Entertainment Critic

It is very difficult to describe a stagnant year in films. And since it seems I am always the last to come up with a Top Ten film list, that makes an ever harder task.

How can one write about stagnancy and make it fresh? One cannot, so let's get down to it. 1987 was a movie year that relied heavily on nostalgia, old plot tricks and the lure of money. And it obviously worked. More people bought more tickets than ever before, but the record-breaking stopped at originality.

There was no wild film this year, no *Blue Velvet*. There was no gentle romantic comedy like *A Room With a View*. *Roxanne* could not even place second in that category.

Most of all, the hopes were dashed that Hollywood might pay attention to independently made films like those two.

No, instead we had films like *Beverly Hills Cop II* (sequel), *Dragnet* (it caught me, though it was quite funny), *Harry and the Hendersons* (replaces blood sugar level with NutraSweet), *Blind Date* (truly pitiful, an old-fashioned flop) and *Overboard* (used an amnesia plot!).

Hollywood reverted to giving the people safe, standard films. Hollywood seems to think the viewing public really does not care that an amnesia plot has been used 30 some-odd times in better films.

As far as the best of the year goes, 1987 was a movie year of parts, scenes and little bits of catchy dialogue. If this is true,

then the best film of the year is Steven Spielberg's *Empire of the Sun*, which contained the brightest, most memorable images ever filmed.

For the first time this year, I hated two Spielberg productions, *Batteries Not Included* and the aforementioned *Harry*. He was back on track with this forceful, moving epic. It had no real coherence tie-ins, but film is visual, not for story.

The rest go in descending order: *Broadcast News*. I suppose calling this one of the best films of 1987 is a critic's prerequisite, but well-deserved. The best characterization and acting of the year. Look for Holly Hunter to win the best actress Oscar.

My Life as a Dog. What's a Best 10 list without a foreign film? This one, from Sweden, about a boy who really is treated like a dog, contains one of the only lovable characters this year.

Swimming to Cambodia. It is not a movie, it is a monologue. But we won't hold that against Spalding Gray. He is the only actor in the film, and he relates stories from the making of *Killing Fields* and from personal experiences. Truly hilarious, and also provides useful insight on Cambodia and filmmaking, of all things.

The Untouchables. The best damn mass market movie of the year. Sure, it is a nostalgia-ridden drama, but Kevin Costner is so great, and the scriptwriting is at work. You gotta love it.

Radio Days. This one topped the list for awhile. Woody Allen's loving homage to the golden days

of broadcasting is warm, dramatic and, of course, hysterical. Favorite scene: the ballplayer.

Raising Arizona. For sheer laughter, this is 1987's only real comedy. Although anything for a laugh might seem the case, the humor comes from character. *Throw Mama From the Train* comes close as best comedy, but it seems an imitation of this one.

River's Edge. This was the toughest movie I have ever tried to sit through in my life. I don't know whether the filmmakers are apathetic or deeply care about these kids, one of whom has killed his girlfriend. This cannot be topped in simple power and makes the "flashpower" of *Angel Heart* play like a joke.

Working Girls. A frank and funny look at prostitution. How many other films can one say that about?

The Princess Bride. Rob Reiner has something really special going on. Last year's *Stand by Me* was a brilliant movie, and he has not made a misstep yet. A real fairy tale come true and proof that movies are still magic.

Honorable Top 10 mention: *Hollywood Shuffle*.

Just a footnote: The worst film I saw this year was not of this year. It was the pretentious, embarrassing *9½ Weeks*. *Trying* to make film art is despicable, but trying too hard is sophomoric and moronic.

This film makes *Ernest Goes to Camp* seem like *Citizen Kane* and does not have the social value of the former. *9½ Weeks* will top my worst list for at least 9½ years. Excuse me while I mop up 9½ gallons of vomit.

VIDEO BEAT

Tuning in to rock

Ethlie Ann Vare

Ruben Blades returns

Latin superstar Ruben Blades is an anomaly in the music industry. A Harvard graduate with a master's degree in international law, the singer-songwriter has been awarded a Grammy for his music. His acting career also has skyrocketed: His latest role is in Robert Redford's upcoming "The Milagro Beanfield War."

But Blades lets entertainment take a back seat to his real interest — human rights. He recently stated his intention to run for the presidency in his homeland of Panama.

Now, Sony Video has released a documentary about the "King of Salsa" called "The Return of Ruben Blades" (85 minutes, \$29.95 list). Guests in the piece, which covers both Blades' performing and activist careers, include Linda Ronstadt and Pete Hamill.

More home-video releases: The Oscar-winning "Buddy Holly Story" has been unavailable on videocassette until now. But the recent success of "La Bamba" — which focused on Ritchie Valens, another victim of the plane crash that killed Holly — has spurred RCA/Columbia to release the video. Both movies will be shipped to the home market on Jan. 21.

Sad news: UB40's producer and video consultant, Ray "Pablo" Falconer, was recently killed in England in an auto accident. The car was being driven by his brother, Earl Falconer, the band's bass guitarist, who escaped serious injury.

Word around the record industry has it that Neil Young will reunite with Crosby, Stills and Nash for a new album.

Superstar guitarist Eric Clapton's career will be traced in a six-album boxed set due out this spring, including 72 tracks from his early Yard-

birds days through Cream, Derek and the Dominoes, Blind Faith and as a solo artist. Clapton will also be a special guest on the next "Cinemax Sessions," this one filmed in Jamaica and featuring a galaxy of reggae stars. Along with fellow Brit Joe Cocker, Clapton will play alongside Jimmy Cliff, Bunny Wailer, and Rita & Ziggy Marley.

Peter Gabriel will do the sound track for Martin Scorsese's controversial upcoming film, "The Passion" (originally "The Last Temptation of Christ"). David Bowie has replaced Sting in the role of Pontius Pilate, due to Sting's touring commitments.

Ozzy Osbourne has found a new guitarist to replace exiting Jake E. Lee. He's 21-year-old unknown Zakk Wilde, a New Jerseyite who submitted his tapes along with thousands of other hopefuls. Wilde's first appearances with Osbourne were on the band's recent tour of British prisons.

Two people you won't see on Osbourne's upcoming American tour, however, are Jim and Tammy Bakker. He invited them — extending the offer to open his show on national TV, no less — but they have been giving him job opportunity the cold shoulder. Wonder why?



Ruben Blades

'Dynasty' welcomes Aussie James Healey

By FRANK SANELLO

HOLLYWOOD (NEA) — Nobody can say James Healey hasn't paid his dues.

The 35-year-old Dublin-born, Australian-bred actor, who plays Joan Collins' new husband on "Dynasty," has taken a lot of knocks — literally — on his way to stardom.

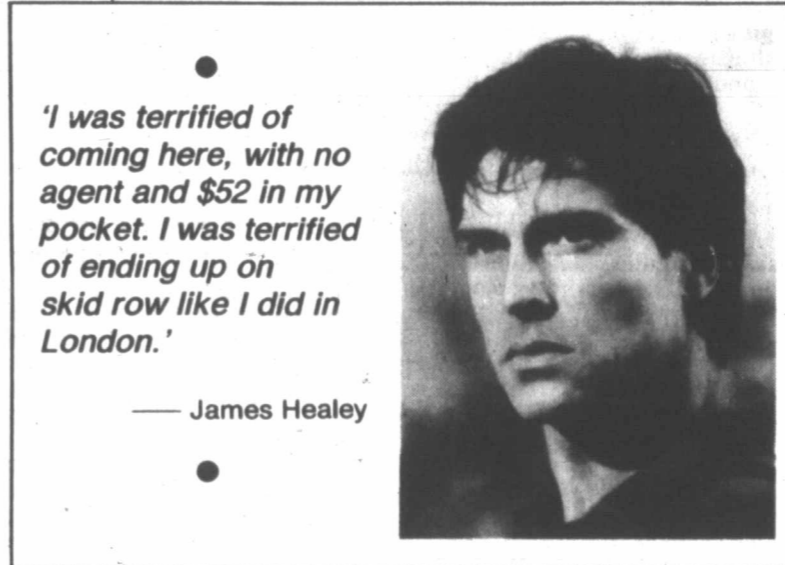
In college, Healey's drama teacher told him he'd never make it as an actor and kicked him out of the program. The exact term the teacher used to describe Healey's talent was "industrial waste."

To earn a ticket to acting school in London, Healey worked in a nickel mine in western Australia, where the mining company charged the workers exorbitant prices for food and laundry. To earn extra money for air fare, Healey tried amateur boxing and got beat up by his opponent — and the angry spectators.

After Healey finally reached London, his suitcase and money were stolen on his first night in town, and he ended up sleeping in Hyde Park. Healey promptly came down with pneumonia.

The prestigious Royal Academy of Dramatic Art accepted the struggling thespian, and he got to play all the classic roles, from Shakespeare to Molier.

So when he was offered the starring role in a low-budget sci-fi thriller back home in Australia in 1979, Healey turned it down. He loved Shakespeare's language; the lead in the Australian film had less than a dozen lines of dialogue.



James Healey

'I was terrified of coming here, with no agent and \$52 in my pocket. I was terrified of ending up on skid row like I did in London.'

Australia. "She gave up everything to move with me," he says. "I was terrified of coming here, with no agent and \$52 in my pocket. I was terrified of ending up on skid row like I did in London."

Healey's fear was unfounded. American TV producers love a British accent, and Healey, after years of starving in London, found himself on the daytime soap "The Young and the Restless" within three weeks of his arrival here. Universal then put him under contract and cast him in a pilot, which it failed to sell to a network.

Despite his love of classical theater, Healey didn't hesitate when he was offered the part of Sean Rowan, Alexis Carrington's lover on "Dynasty."

"Who wouldn't give his right hand to play opposite Joan Collins?" he asks.

"I've been acting for 14 years, since I was a kid, and Shakespeare doesn't pay the rent. Shakespeare has never paid anybody's rent. I'll be 36 in June, and there comes a time when you have to go out there and get some money."

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Agriculture

American farmers look to Third World for export opportunities

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—A lot of attention is being paid these days to the Third World as a prime growth market for American farmers, despite the steady importance of rich old friends like Japan and Western Europe.

According to the Agriculture Department, exports of U.S. agricultural products in the fiscal year that began Oct. 1 are expected to be worth \$31 billion. Of that, \$15.8 billion worth will go to the developed countries, including Western Europe, Japan, Canada, Israel, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

The less-developed countries are expected to account for \$13.1 billion, while the centrally planned nations such as the Soviet Union and China are forecast at \$2.1 billion.

Virtually every trade analysis by the USDA stresses the potential sales among developing nations in Latin America, Africa and Asia. Long-term strategy such as the U.S. position at GATT negotiations also include more than just a nod to the Third World.

At this year-end news conference last week, Agriculture Secretary Richard E. Lyng said he most wanted freedom for farmers "to produce what they want to produce" and that to accomplish that would involve solving international trade problems.

Lyng explained that the United States proposed last year under GATT, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, that all countries abandon subsidies and trade barriers.

"This would mean opening the doors in Europe and Japan, and in this country for those things where we have barriers, and allowing comparative advantage to rule," Lyng said.

If that were done, Lyng predicted that American farmers and consumers would do very well, and that it "would be a marvelous thing for the Third World countries, which we need to think about

some, because as their economies get weaker and weaker ... then it becomes a very costly thing for the world."

James R. Donald, chairman of the department's World Agricultural Outlook Board, shares the view of a number of his colleagues that the big market for U.S. grain continues to shift to the developing countries.

"In spite of numerous problems (especially debt), imports by developing countries have continued to grow, although more slowly than in the 1970s," Donald said. "The developing countries likely will continue to increase global grain imports and could be a source of expansion for U.S. agricultural exports."

Donald, reporting in a new outlook board magazine, said Third World grain imports have increased nearly 3.5 percent a year in the 1980s, and their share of global grain imports is rising.

"But the United States has not been able to take advantage of these rising imports," he said. "Instead, the U.S. has lost out to competitors, with its market share dropping from 59 percent in 1982-83 to 41 percent in 1985-86."

Even so, the United States has become more dependent on the Third World, with more than 58 percent of total agricultural exports going to those countries in 1986-87, up from 36 percent just five years earlier.

"For the coming year, with the improved competitive position of American grain, the U.S. share of the developing countries' grain market should increase to 51 percent," Donald said. "Developing countries will take over one-half of total U.S. wheat and feed grain exports."

Donald said it's likely that the U.S. farm export position with the Third World will improve over the next few years as those countries improve their economic and financial conditions.

Improved balance between supply and demand, and the elimination of some agricultural subsidies and trade barriers will be other factors, he said.

Profitable year for sheep producers

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sheep producers did fairly well in 1987 as lamb prices exceeded out-of-pocket cash costs, says an Agriculture Department economist.

"Total cash costs per hundredweight of lambs sold were estimated in the low to middle \$60s, while slaughter lamb prices averaged in the high \$70s," said Ron Gustafson of the department's Economic Research Service. "In addition, producers receive payments for cull ewes and wool, and for wool price supports."

Gustafson, writing in a new outlook report, said

the good returns stabilized the declining numbers of sheep and lambs during the year. Through October, slaughter of mature sheep was down 15 percent from 1986.

"This indicates that the sheep industry is expanding and that sheep and ewe lamb numbers were likely up this Jan. 1, leading to production increases for 1988," he said.

Market prices of slaughter lambs at San Angelo, Texas, dropped steadily after the peak last May of \$94.50 per hundredweight, Gustafson said. Prices were down to about \$66 by October.

In agriculture

Joe VanZandt

WHEAT GRAZING TAKE-OFF

When is the proper time to remove cattle from fields of irrigated winter wheat in the southern Great Plains and still have a high grain yield?

Recent research by Dr. Steve Winter, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station agronomist, answered the question. Tall wheat cultivars with less yield potential than short wheats can be grazed to the middle of March. High yielding short wheats can be grazed only until the first of March.

Winter came to this conclusion after three years of research at the USDA Research Laboratory near Bushland. He presented this information at the American Society of Agronomy Meetings in Atlanta on Dec. 3. The American Society of Agronomy has 15,000 members made up of agronomists throughout the world.

Winter has two objectives. First to determine the best time to remove cattle from irrigated winter wheat fields and still produce a high grain yield. He also wanted to find out if new short wheat cultivars differed in ability to tolerate grazing.

In order to accomplish the objectives of the research, short and tall wheat cultivars were grown in two irrigated production systems. One that favored grain production and a second was typical for grazing. Wheat produced for grain only was planted in early October and fertilized with 160 pounds per acre of nitrogen from anhydrous ammonia and irrigated for maximum grain yield. A preplant and three to five seasonal irrigations were applied depending on rainfall.

The wheat to be grazed was planted in late August, grazing started in November, and continued to various termination dates in spring. Grazed wheat

was fertilized with 240 pounds per acre of nitrogen. Irrigation for grazed wheat was the same as for wheat grown for grain only except that an extra irrigation was needed in the fall to insure maximum growth of forage.

In one experiment that was repeated for three years, four short wheats, TAM 105, TAM 108, Vona, and Newton were grown for grain only and compared to grazing until March 17. When not grazed, the four cultivars yielded the same, from 82 to 85 bushels per acre. When grazing stopped on March 17, yields dropped 15 bushels to 68 bushels per acre. From this research, Winter concluded that short wheat cultivars with similar yield potential respond the same to grazing. He also concluded that grazing short wheats to the middle of March seriously reduced yield.

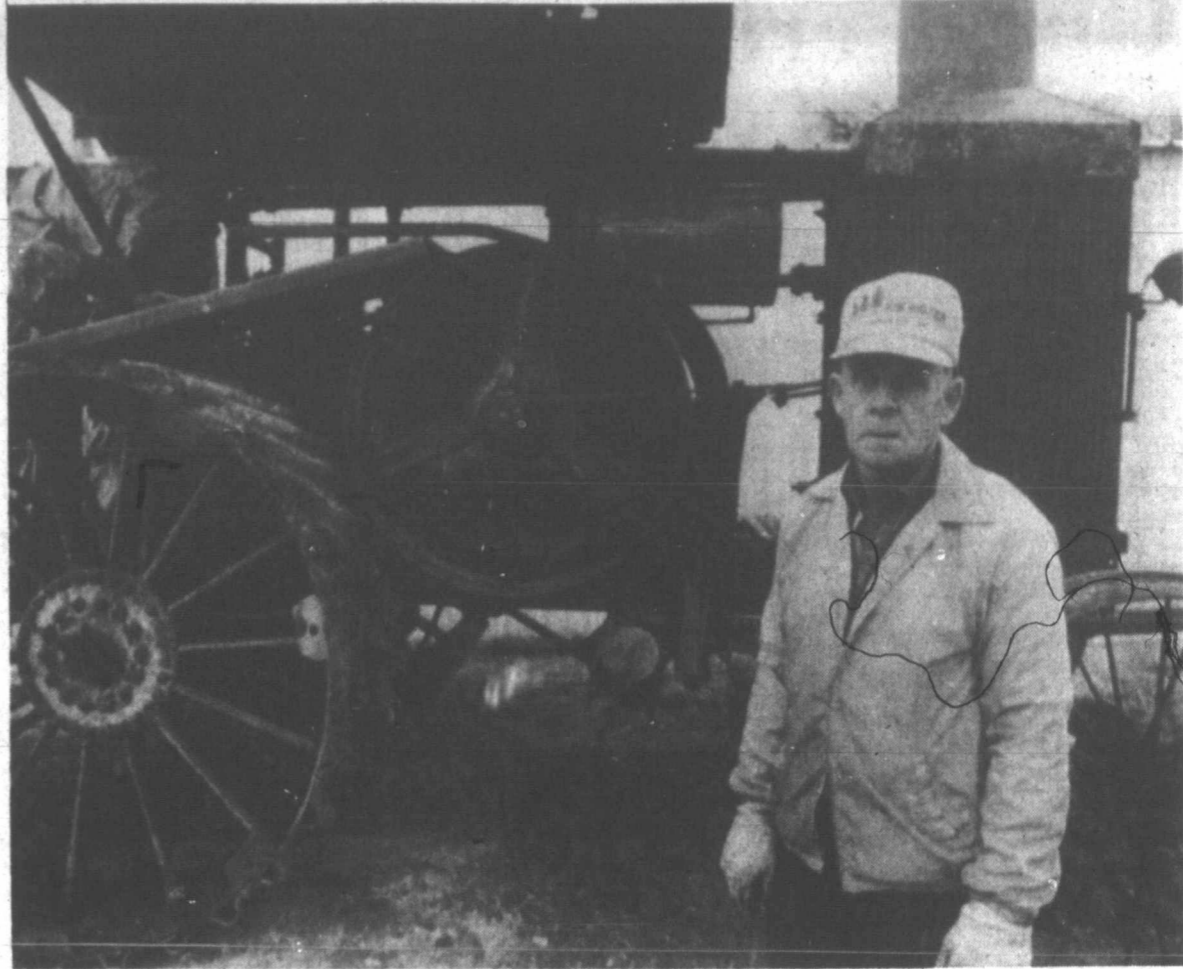
In another experiment, HybriTech Quantum 588, a short hybrid wheat was compared to Siouxi, a tall wheat. Both cultivars were grown for grain only and with grazing terminating in February 1 or 15, or March 1, 15, or 29. When not grazed, yield of Quantum 588 and Siouxi was 114 and 82 bushels per acre. Grazing Quantum 588 until February 1 reduced yield to 95 bushels per acre, a decrease of 19 bushels. Continuing grazing until March 1 and March 15 reduced yield down to 90 and 76 bushels per acre. On the other hand, yield of Siouxi stayed at 80 bushels per acre through the March 15 termination date, but dropped to 61 bushels per acre if grazing continued until March 29.

The main factor determining yield in this study was leaf area. Quantum 588 had less leaf area than Siouxi. Any grazing after March 1 reduced leaf area of both cultivars. The researcher observed that Quantum 588 has

more yield potential than Siouxi and any reduction in leaf area by grazing decreased yield. Siouxi, having lower yield potential and more leaf area was not hurt by grazing later in the spring.

In a third study, Winter determined that grazing of a tall wheat like Siouxi could reduce lodging and increase yield. In this experiment, ungrazed Siouxi lodged severely and yielded only 36 bushels per acre. Grazing until March 1 cut lodging in half and yield of Siouxi jumped to 45 bushels per acre. There was no lodging with Quantum 588 and yield was 77 bushels per acre, far exceeding Siouxi. Grazing until March 1 reduced yield of Quantum 588 by 7 bushels per acre.

Winter concluded his presentation at Atlanta by stating his research answered several questions about grazing winter wheat in the southern Great Plains. First, tall wheat cultivars can be grazed longer in the spring than high yielding short wheat cultivars without sacrificing yield. Secondly, short wheats all respond the same to grazing. "However, profitability of any decision about grazing wheat will be determined not only by the affect of grazing on yield of wheat but by the price of both wheat and cattle," he concluded.



Zwinggi stands next to tractor he restored.

1912 tractor gets new lease on life

By BETTY STEPHENSON
Denton Record-Chronicle

DENTON (AP)—Henry Barlow developed an interest in big farm machinery when he was a child growing up in Collin County, and his fascination has never waned.

"A threshing team used to ride an old machine from farm to farm, and I'd see the big steamer coming, so big and awesome when it turned into the pasture at our place," he said.

Barlow isn't a farmer anymore. He chose instead to go into real estate, which was how he came to own a 1912 Hart-Parr tractor.

"I was going to Moss Lake (in Cooke County) 14 or 15 years ago, and I passed by the old Jergelkey farm. They owned one of the old tractors, but they had moved to West Texas and were leasing the farm," he said.

Eventually, he bought the tractor, which was huge, rusty and didn't run. He transported the 10-ton tractor—which stands 10 feet, 8 inches tall—to his Denton home, where he put it in a shed. Later, he built a barn to hold it and bought a 1912 Ford as a companion for it.

The tractor sat in a barn 14 years, until Barlow was contacted in October by Ken Zwinggi of Lindsay, who restores old cars and farm machinery. He had tracked the machine through relatives of Jergelkey's former neighbors. Barlow asked Zwinggi if he would help get it restored.

The old tractor was one of three brought to Cooke County in 1912 on a railroad car. It was used last in 1935, when it pulled a grader used for terracing the owner's land.

Barlow had researched the machine enough to

know that there are only four like it left in the United States. One is in Iowa, where the tractors were manufactured; another is in the Smithsonian Institution; and the third is in Perryton.

Barlow said the Oliver Co. bought out Hart-Parr, and the tractors were used to haul cannons to the Russian front in World War I. The model he owns, the "30-60," was called Old Reliable.

The tractor is powered by a two-cylinder, kerosene-burning engine. It has two gears, one forward and one reverse. The top speed is 2.3 mph. Zwinggi and a friend, David Biffle, worked on the tractor for a month, first getting the engine started on gasoline and switching to kerosene.

"When it was new, it used a black oil in the radiator. No one knows what black oil is, so Biffle and I decided to put peanut oil in it. I had to have something slick that could take the heat," Zwinggi said. "We bought 60 gallons of peanut oil and we still don't know if we have enough."

The tractor originally used a five dry-cell battery, but the restorers could not find one of those, so they substituted a six-volt battery, which works fine, Zwinggi said.

Old Reliable was fired up Nov. 7 for the first time in 52 years. Barlow was present for the event, along with three other men, Zwinggi and Biffle.

"There was a lot of yelling and jumping around when we got it going," Zwinggi said.

Barlow was excited about the new lease on life given his old machine. "It does me good to see it running again," he said.

Zwinggi is still doing some work on the machine, whose parts were intact. He plans to paint the tractor its original colors next spring. The motor was dark green with a black frame and the wheels and woodwork were red.

Exports of radish seed mysteriously gain

WASHINGTON (AP)—Most home gardeners look at catalogs in the winter and buy seed just before planting time in the spring. But for commercial seed dealers the foreign market is a full-time business worth nearly \$400 million a year.

The Foreign Agricultural Service, an agency of the Agriculture Department, says other countries are increasingly turning to the United States for seed to grow beans, corn, flowers, forage, sorghum, turf and vegetables.

Last year's seed exports were valued at more than \$374 million, up by 29 percent since 1982, says the agency's Loyd Coonrod. And some interesting trends have developed.

"For example, Italian farmers are planting more soybean seed at the expense of corn," Coonrod said. "And somebody out there

loves salads, because radish seed shipments continue to grow faster than any other vegetable seed."

Italy was the top buyer in 1986 with purchases of \$57.7 million, followed by Mexico, \$41.1 million, and Japan, \$39 million.

Vegetable seeds were the most popular, accounting for \$137.4 million, or 37 percent of last year's total, Coonrod said. Japan was the largest buyer of those, at \$16.6 million. Others included Mexico, \$15.7 million, the Netherlands, \$15.6 million, and Canada, \$11 million.

Beans, peas, sweet corn, tomato and watermelon were the most popular vegetable seed crops. The biggest gain, however, was in radish seed, which was up by nearly half to \$6.3 million.

Forage and turf seeds were the next largest category at \$81.6 million, with Canada accounting for

\$14 million of the total, Japan, \$13.1 million, and Saudi Arabia, \$10.3 million.

Coonrod said the forage and turf seed sales to Saudi Arabia jumped sharply last year because of a new Saudi policy to improve and expand local pastures.

"Soybean seed exports were the highlight of the marketing year, increasing 69 percent in value and 64 percent in volume to \$26.9 million and 53,296 (metric) tons, respectively," he said.

Italy was the largest buyer of soybean seed, followed by Turkey and Mexico.

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Truk remains Pacific island with the simple, content life

MOEN, Truk (AP) — An air of informality abounds on this Pacific island 554 miles southeast of Guam, where most people live simple but content lives.

There are few restaurants, no movie theaters, no bars, no television stations or fast-food chains.

With a 15 mph speed limit for Truk's

few motorists, the tempo of street life is a far cry from Guam's bustling Marine Drive on a Saturday night.

But Truk offers a culture rich in diversity, with a trace of Japanese influence left over from before the islands were liberated in World War II.

U.S. influence also has made its mark in local traditions, particularly in

Moen, where American names are given to children, where free enterprise flourishes and where the use of conventional medicine and other modern amenities, including paved roads and electricity, is becoming more and more commonplace.

Residents of the largely undeveloped island express little disen-

chantment with the absence of shopping malls and modern entertainment outlets. They are warm and social, and find pleasure in the simple things in life.

The single-lane streets of Moen, an island that serves as Truk's district center, are frequented more by residents who smile and wave at tourists

than by motorists, simply because walking is the most popular mode of transportation.

Only in Moen are residents of the outer lagoon islands able to attend school, receive hospital treatment, and shop for drygoods, clothing and food in the low-volume stores.

Celebration site



(AP Laserphoto)

Sydney, Australia, will be the site of the main event of Australia's bicentennial celebration. Eleven tall ships are scheduled to arrive Jan. 26 as they retrace the voyage from Portsmouth, England, of the original vessels that established the first British colony on that date in 1788.

State's low-income housing idea begins

AUSTIN (AP) — A coalition of government and private business is planning cooperative housing projects for Texans who otherwise could not afford the American dream.

"We hope with the assistance of the state housing agency that this dream of owning your own home will be available to residents throughout the state of Texas," said James Robinson, president of a company involved in a demonstration co-op housing project in Houston.

Projects in Dallas, San Antonio, Beaumont, Port Arthur and Tyler are expected to follow the Houston project, said Melva Washington Becnel, Texas Housing Agency treasurer.

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It was the effort of the apostle Paul to so speak and do in order that the faith of the Corinthians would stand in the power of God and not in the wisdom of men (I Corinthians 2:1-5.) Paul wanted to be sure that they were converted to Christ and not to Paul or to some other man.

Today we see people converted to just about everything except what they should be. Some are converted to and because of magnificent building. Yet, Paul told the Athe-

nians that the God of Heaven "dwelleth not in temples made with hands" (Acts 17:24.) Many are converted to and because of an eloquent, persuasive preacher. But the Word of God warns about following men (I Corinthians 1:12-13.) Many are converted to and because of a huge denomination. They want to be a part of the largest church in town. But our Lord insisted that "wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many are they that enter in thereby" (Matthew 7:13.) And so, following the crowd may be the wrong thing to do. The size of a religious group actually proves nothing as far as right is concerned.

People need to be converted to Christ simply because of the teaching of God's Word. "and for this cause we also thank God without ceasing, that, we ye received from us the word of the message, even the word of God, which accepted it not as the word of men, but, as it is in truth, the word of God, which also worketh in you that believe" (I Thessalonians 2:13.) This is how it must be with us if we are to realize salvation.

Billy T. Jones

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PSY 204-1P	Child Psychology	3	Linda Olson
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*BIO 214-1P	Introduction to Zoology	4	M.G. Smith
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*BAS 113-1P	Beginning Typewriting	3	Pat Johnson
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TUESDAY/THURSDAY 10:30-11:50 A.M.			
PSY 133-1P	General Psychology	3	Linda Olson
GOV 213-1P	National Government	3	Shirley Warner
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GOV 223-1P	State & Local Government	3	Shirley Warner

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BUS 214-2P	Principles of Accounting (I)	3	Tom Grantham
*CHM 114-1P	General College Chemistry (LAB)	4	M.B. Smith
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HST 213-2P	American History 1500-1865	3	Sherry Seabourn
HST 223-2P	American History-1865 to Present	3	Ray Thornton
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MTH 121-1P	Modern Math (II)	3	Jay Smith
PSY 204-2P	Child Psychology	3	Herman Vinson
VRLE 0109	Real Estate Math	3	Charles Buzzard
**BAS 142-2P	Word Processing	3	Lee Carter
**BAS 143-2P	Word Processing (II)	3	Lee Carter
TUESDAY 7:00-10:00 P.M.			
*BAS 113-2P	Beginning Typewriting	3	Mona Oneal
*BAS 123-2P	Intermediate Typewriting	3	Mona Oneal
*BIO 235-1P	Anatomy and Physiology (LAB)	4	Beth Shannon
BUS 215-2P	Business Communications	3	Bob Phillips
*CHM 114-1P	General College Chemistry	4	M.B. Smith
*CIS 205-1P	Prin. of Computer Info. Systems	4	Jim Caswell
ECO 223-1	Principles of Economics II	3	Bob Killbrew
MTH 116-1P	Math for Business and Economics II	3	Jay Smith
MTH 120-1P	Modern Math (I)	3	John Stewart
RLE 114-1P	Real Estate Principles	3	Charles Buzzard
*SPA 113-1P	Beginning Spanish	4	Tina Eberz
BUS 214-3P	Principles of Accounting (I)	3	Phillip Conner
SPE 113-1P	Basic Techniques of Speech	3	Dorothy Farrington
WEDNESDAY 7:00-10:00 P.M.			
*ART 131-1P	Drawing I (LAB-TBA)	3	James Ivey Edwards
*ART 132-1P	Drawing II (LAB-TBA)	3	James Ivey Edwards
*ART 241-1P	Intro. to Water Color Painting (LAB-TBA)	3	James Ivey Edwards
*ART 251-1P	Intro. to Oil Painting (LAB-TBA)	3	James Ivey Edwards
BUS 134-1P	Introduction to Business	3	Bob Phillips
ENG 113-2P	English Comp. and Reading	3	Linda Thompson
ENG 264-1P	World Literature-Greeks to 1850	3	Marian Teel
GOV 213-2P	American National Government	3	John Watson
GOV 223-2P	State and Local Government	3	Richard Peet
GOV 231-1P	American Government	3	Richard Peet
MTH 113-1P	College Algebra	3	Jay Smith
PSY 133-2P	General Psychology	3	Frances Mercer
RLE 206-1P	Real Estate Law	3	Phil Vanderpool
*BIO 238-1P	Microbiology	4	David Lowrie
*GEO 114-1P	General Geology (LAB)	4	Staff
THURSDAY 7:00-10:00 P.M.			
*BAS 124-2P	Intermediate Shorthand (Refresher)	3	Marian Allen
BUS 224-1P	Principles of Accounting (II)	3	Phillip Conner
BUS 263-1P	General Business Management	3	Dana Epperly
*CIS 205-2P	Prin. of Computer Info. Systems	4	Doug Rapstine
ENG 273-2P	World Lit.-1850 to Present	3	Tim Powers
MTH 115-1P	Math for Business and Economics I	3	Jay Smith
RLE 124-1P	Real Estate Appraisal	3	Charles Buzzard
*SPA 113-1P	Beginning Spanish (LAB)	4	Tina Eberz
SOC 243-1P	Introduction to Sociology	3	Herman Vinson
*BIO 238-1P	Microbiology (LAB)	4	David Lowrie
*GEO 114-1P	General Geology	4	Staff
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Farm device
 - 4 Ask questions
 - 8 Stop
 - 12 Ear (comb. form)
 - 13 Loose
 - 14 Biblical preposition
 - 15 Obtained
 - 16 Pertaining to dawn
 - 17 Arabian port
 - 18 Pope's scarf
 - 20 Curse
 - 22 Bitter vetch
 - 23 Domini
 - 25 Comparative suffix
 - 27 With no trouble
 - 30 One or the other
 - 33 Baseballer
 - 34 Barks shrilly
 - 36 Hebrew letter
 - 37 Dill seed
 - 39 Missing
 - 41 New (pref.)
 - 42 Chaperon
 - 44 Wore away
 - 46 Turn the page (abbr.)
 - 47 Nerve part
 - 48 French yes
 - 50 Crane arm part
 - 52 Feeling of resentment
 - 56 TV's talking horse (2 wds.)
 - 58 Hawaiian island
 - 60 American soldiers
 - 61 Being
 - 62 New Testament book
 - 63 Economic indicator (abbr.)
 - 64 Fixed charge
 - 65 Madam (cont.)
 - 66 Pollack fish

- DOWN**
- 1 Dancer type (comp. wd.)
 - 2 Believe not

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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GEECH By Jerry Bittle

MERLE, HERE'S MY CHRISTMAS LIST.
CHRISTMAS LIST? CHRISTMAS WAS OVER 2 WEEKS AGO.
I KNOW, AND YOU GAVE ME UNDERWEAR.
SO...?
SO, YOU'VE ONLY GOT 552 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT TO AVOID THE SAME EMBARRASSMENT NEXT YEAR.

THE WIZARD OF ID By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

LOOK AT THIS CLOTHES BASKET!
...NO MATTER HOW MUCH I WASH... IT STAYS FULL.
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...MAYBE IT'S THE ONE THEY USED FOR THE LOAVES AND FISHES.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Be extremely careful how you phrase things today. Your comments could be blown out of proportion and cause you either anxiety or embarrassment.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) When shopping today, try not to let your emotions rule your pocketbook, especially if you're buying gifts. Remember: The thought is more important than the price tag.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your suggestions and opinions might not be as popular with others as you allow yourself to believe today. Be careful about foisting them on people.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be both fair and realistic regarding the value of the services you perform for others today. Pricing yourself out of the ballpark is a sure way to lose customers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Pass up social functions today where people who make you feel uncomfortable may be present. Don't spoil your day.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) An acquaintance who tries to impress people with his/her importance won't make a pleasant companion today. Let this individual play the big-shot role for another audience.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't make binding commitments today unless you intend to see them through. What is just conversation to you will be taken as gossip by others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Others can't be relied on to help you with your financial problems today. It looks like you'll have to sort things out for yourself as best you can.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Try not to let an associate who has questionable judgment make important decisions for you today. Regrets can be avoided if you call your own shots.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There is opportunity around you today, but it will not be manifested if you treat matters indifferently. Don't take your luck for granted.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be extra mindful of your behavior in group involvements today. A failure to conduct yourself properly could make a bad impression on the wrong people.

MARVIN By Tom Armstrong

I FINALLY GOT SOMEONE TO BABY-SIT MARVIN TONIGHT, JEFF.
BUT I KNOW IN THE LONG RUN, WE'LL PAY DEARLY FOR USING HER.
WHY? WHO'D YOU GET?
MY MOTHER.

ALLEY OOP By Dave Graue

I DIDN'T EXPECT I'D BE TOTTING THIS KIND OF EXCESS BAGGAGE...
...BUT NOW THAT I'VE GOT THIS FEMALE INFORMER WITH ME...
...THERE'S NO REASON WHY SHE CAN'T TELL GUZZ ALL ABOUT TUNK'S PLANS TO INVADE MOO!
IF WE MAKE IT OUT OF LEM, THAT IS!

SNAFU By Bruce Beattie

"He doesn't need a larger doghouse, Madame. When he lies down, it's fine."

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"We'll eat in the kitchen. I think the dining room table has been rezoned."

MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson

"The puppies want Marmaduke to come out and play!"

KIT N' CARLYLE By Larry Wright

UH... IT SEEMS TO BE TIME FOR ME TO LEAVE...

WINTHROP By Dick Cavalli

WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE WEARING, ROSTER?
MY MOM WAS AFRAID I'D CATCH COLD...
SO SHE LENT ME A PAIR OF MY DAD'S LONG UNDERWEAR.

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YOU MEAN YOU'RE JUST GOING TO LET IT SIT IN THE WASHING MACHINE??
CALVIN, CAN YOU SEE I'M BUSY RIGHT NOW??
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I'M ALREADY EXERCISING
I'M EXERCISING MY MOPING...

GARFIELD By Jim Davis

THIS STUFF IS GUARANTEED TO KEEP PETS OFF THE FURNITURE.
IT'S SO EASY IT'S ALMOST UNFAIR.

Man repairs garden bridge where he proposed marriage

By WHIT CANNING
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH (AP) — The first time Robert Abascal saw the bridge, he was inspired to stand on it and propose marriage.

When he saw it again recently — this time without "the lump in my throat" — he was inspired to rebuild it.

Thus it was that Abascal, 27, and his wife, Lynn, 31, found themselves at the Fort Worth Botanical Garden on New Year's Eve, fitting railroad ties onto a pair of steel rails so that a special moment in their lives could be preserved.

"Well," said Abascal, a computer scientist at Bell Helicopter, "my wife kind of expects me to do weird things like this."

Now, thanks to Abascal's romantic inclinations, the small, 3-by-7-foot structure spanning a creek in the oldest section of the park is as sturdy as it was when it was built nearly 50 years ago.

Abascal, a Hurst resident, first spotted the bridge in a moment of desperation on the night of May 1, 1985.

"I had always heard it was supposed to be good luck to propose on a bridge," he said.

"But we were in a real secluded area of the park, and I was getting more and more nervous every moment. You might say desperation was setting in... I had a big lump in my throat."

Then he spotted the bridge, steered Lynn onto it, and popped the question. She said yes, and they were married about two months later on June 29.

Since then, Abascal figures the small, rickety bridge has indeed brought the couple good luck. They have a 6-month-old daughter, Kelley (Lynn has a son, Benton, 10, from a previous marriage) and the union has been a happy success.

He was therefore dismayed to discover, on a recent visit, that the span seemed ready to collapse.

"It's really old — I think they told me it was built in 1939 — and I'm sure it was in bad shape the night I proposed," he said. "I just didn't notice."

Immediately, he called the park office and

offered to pay for having the bridge restored — or do it himself. Park officials, less acquainted than his wife with Abascal's train of thought, at first were nonplussed.

Although the bridge is only 20 feet from a main walkway leading from the Rose Garden fountain past the large reflecting pond, it is nearly obscured from view by thick brush and is seldom used. Abascal was told that fixing it was a low-priority project.

He was persistent, however, and eventually was put in touch with Park Supervisor Mark Woolsey.

"He told me they had plans to fix that bridge and another small one on the other side of the pond," Abascal said, "but that if I wanted it done sooner, the best thing would be to do come out and do it myself."

"It sounded like a great idea, so they bought the materials and we went out to fix it. They had a couple of workmen help me, and they seemed real happy to do it."

"It was a lot of work — we had to cut each of the ties down to fit, and while we were at it we widened the bridge a little bit."

"I was real happy to do it because it's such a great park and all. There were a couple of guys standing around looking at me like I was an idiot, but I really had fun. Besides, donating my time was cheaper than paying to have it rebuilt."

In four hours, Abascal created a sturdy platform, suitable for creek crossings and moonlight proposals.

"That's a special spot for us, and I just wanted to make sure it was taken care of," he said. "We kept one of the original ties and brought it home as a souvenir."

Mission accomplished, Abascal said the project was worth the effort.

"I really think it would be a great idea if more people got involved with the park that way," he said.

"And also, I figured some night, someone else might want to use the bridge like I did... I just wanted to give them all the help I could."



Abascal and wife restore bridge.

(AP Laserphoto)

You got a question? Federal info center has the answer

FORT WORTH (AP) — The questions can be downright strange — one person wanted to know how to copyright his face, and another wondered if it's legal to import a Bengal tiger as a pet — but a special center (usually) has the answer.

Every weekday, five federal workers help match the proper federal agencies and programs in the area with hundreds of questions that range from the routine to the oddball to the occasionally heart-wrenching.

After nearly 20 years as a federal information specialist, Elsie B. Wanner said, she has heard every kind of problem imaginable. She takes pride in knowing that she has helped resolve many of them.

"As long as the caller is sincere, every question is legitimate," Mrs. Wanner said.

Mrs. Wanner, who oversees the Dallas-Fort Worth area Federal Information Center and its four employees, is the voice behind 767-8585 — the federal information number listed in the blue pages of the telephone book. She has been on the job as long as the center has been in existence — 20 years next May.

The caller who wanted to copyright his face was a circus clown who sought to protect his artistry from competitors. Mrs. Wanner tried to help by forwarding a copyright application and told him to send it to the Library of Congress.

Finding an answer for the lady who wanted a Bengal tiger as a pet was more difficult. Staff member Danny Bolton had to search through several directories before he found an agency that could help — the U.S. Fish and

Wildlife Service, which is responsible for issuing licenses for any animal brought into this country if it is on the endangered species list.

Telephone inquiries flow into the office in downtown Fort Worth at the rate of about 600 a day, Mrs. Wanner said. Although most are from Dallas and Fort Worth, the staff also serves Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Little Rock, Ark., and Albuquerque and Santa Fe, N.M.

The number of calls often is a barometer, of sorts, of economic and political events, Mrs. Wanner said.

The Iran-Contra hearings, for example, prompted 50 to 60 calls per day when Lt. Col. Oliver North — the Marine accused of playing a key role in diverting money from Iran arms sales to Nicaraguan rebels — was testifying.

"We listened to the radio and when they started hollering at Ollie North, the callers called us like you wouldn't believe," Bolton said. Most of the calls were in support of North, and Bolton referred them to a telephone number that had been established by North's attorneys.

North inspired more calls than any other person or event in the history of the information center, including the Watergate scandal and President Nixon's resignation, Mrs. Wanner said.

The lengthy and official-sounding names of federal agencies also can result in some humorous malapropisms from callers that frequently require a few questions to untangle, Mrs. Wanner told the Dallas Morning News.

A young man recently called, seeking some federal alcoholics. Mrs. Wanner

gave him what he really wanted — the number for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

A woman wanted to find an agency to neutralize her husband, who was from Mexico. Upon questioning, Mrs. Wanner referred the woman to the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

One of the more serious calls to the center was from a worried woman in Little Rock. The woman said her daughter had run away and was last seen near Canada at the Border Patrol station near Swanton, Vt., Mrs. Wanner recalled.

"We called the eastern region of the Border Patrol to find the number of the Swanton station so the woman could contact them and ask them to be on the lookout for her daughter," Mrs. Wanner said.

Electronics industry leaders chipper despite 'a problem or two'

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Electronics exhibitors unveiled dazzling gadgetry, from 3-D camcorders to digital Super VHS video recorders, as the annual Winter Consumer Electronics Show opened on a note of optimism.

Industry leaders projected record U.S. factory sales of electronics of \$32 billion in 1988, up nearly 5 percent from this year's sales.

"We may have a problem or two, but \$30 billion and growing doesn't seem like a disaster to me," Frank Myers, president of Arvin Electronics, said.

One of the industry's problems is the two-year slide in value of the dollar, which makes Japanese and other foreign products more expensive here

and has cut into the more explosive growth level of a few years ago. Another is the bitter battle between the electronics and recording industries over a digital tape recording technology.

Digital Audio Tape recorders and players were the stars of the show as thousands of products that manufacturers hope will find their way into American living rooms this year went on display at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

The high quality of the DAT cassette recordings, comparable to that of compact discs, has led the music industry to demand an anti-taping electronic chip be inserted so the units can be used only for playback.

Most major manufacturers were displaying DAT recorders, however, despite record companies' protests that consumers will use DAT taping at home to make copies of records and compact discs, cutting into sales.

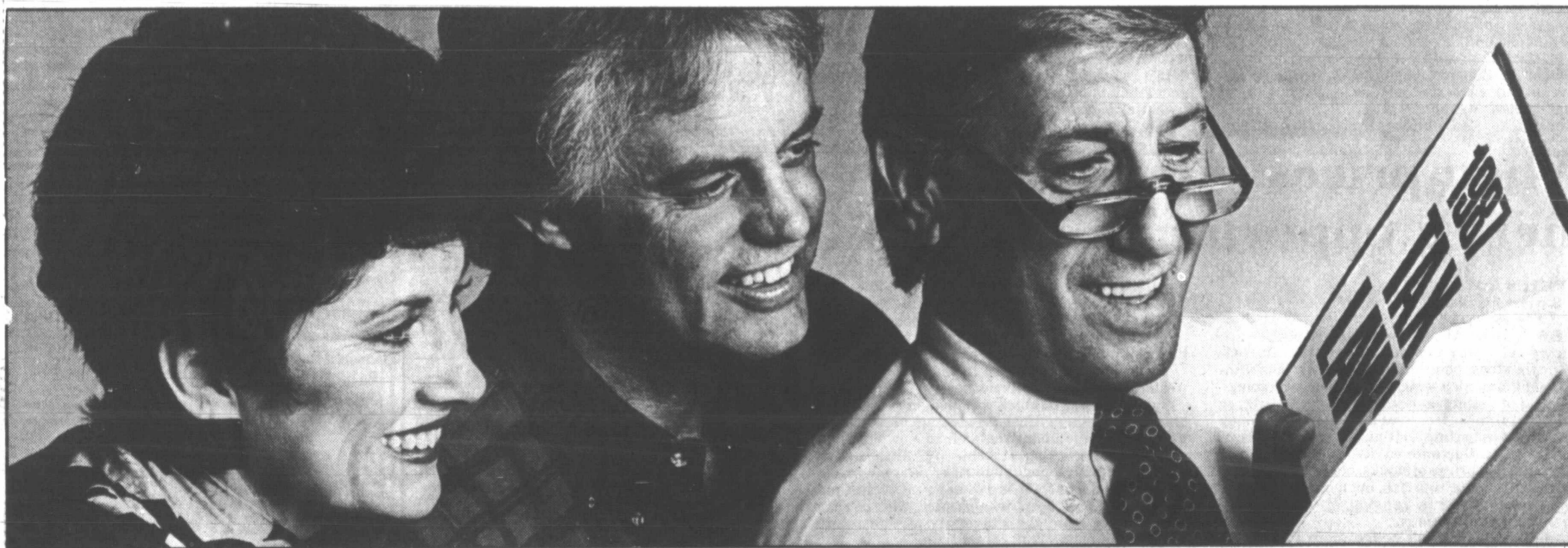
Clarion Corp. said it will begin marketing a play-only DAT car stereo unit beginning next month, while other manufacturers are keeping their DAT equipment off the market until Congress settles the fight with the recording industry.

"It's not responsible to introduce it until there is a resolution of the software issue," said Michael Fidler, a vice president for Pioneer Electronics Inc. "We have the technology and we've intro-

duced a product in the Japanese market. But right now we're waiting for the U.S. market."

Unlike previous shows, no major product breakthroughs are being announced this week, but the show features refinements of Super VHS video recorders and camcorders as well as the newest models of compact disc players and high resolution televisions.

The show's sponsor, the Electronic Industries Association, predicted a good year for the industry, which had record sales in 1987 of \$30.7 billion. The association predicted sales would surpass \$32.2 billion in 1988.



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Southern primary's founders recall how 'Super Tuesday' got its start

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Texas state Sen. John Traeger, while chairman of the Southern Legislative Conference, knew the proposed Southern primary was a success when the speaker of the Missouri House telephoned him.

Missouri wanted to join the planned "Super Tuesday" primary.

"I said you'll damn sure be welcome," Traeger recalled. "I also said they should've done it about 100 years ago in the Civil War — but it was better late than never."

Within weeks of that 1986 call, Missouri's Legislature voted to schedule its primary on March 8, 1988, and become one of 14 states that eventually would join the Southern super primary.

The white-haired, gravel-voiced Traeger, a Democrat and veteran of more than two decades in the Texas Legislature, still chuckles over the plan.

"Everybody sort of had the same philosophy about it: this may not be the best thing, but it's sure as hell better than what we had," Traeger said.

What Southern leaders such as Traeger, Speaker Tom Murphy of Georgia and others have created is a regional presidential primary where some 28 percent of Democratic National Convention delegates and 30 percent of Republican National Convention delegates will be up for grabs on the same day.

It has brought the South unprecedented attention from candi-

dates — and criticism from some Northern and Midwestern states.

Both developments please Traeger.

"Criticism from up there is a good sign. Anytime the *Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post* are upset about the very idea of the South taking the lead, that's the best endorsement we could get," he said.

The region was tired of being bypassed, Traeger added.

"We just felt for years like the candidates were ignoring us to go to Iowa and New Hampshire. We've had more presidential candidates in Texas already this time than we've had in the whole past 10 years," he said.

Jon Mills, Florida's House speaker, agreed.

"You've seen a lot of attention paid to Super Tuesday. Nobody is underplaying its importance. We'll have to wait and see what the results are, but I'm optimistic something good will come out of it."

Steve Anthony, an aide to Georgia speaker Murphy, says the super primary also gives the South a chance to speak its mind and, perhaps, head off nomination of a liberal Democrat.

"The other overriding reason for the primary was to get the candidates to listen to people down here and find out that not everybody cared what the union position was, the feminist position or any other interest group."

Anthony said in a phone interview from Atlanta.

"It was hoped that (candidates) would tone their message a little more mainstream. And there's no way anybody can argue that hasn't occurred. There's not a George McGovern in the race this year. The positions have moderated some," he said.

McGovern, the Democrat who lost the presidential race in Richard Nixon's 1972 landslide, was one impetus for the Southern primary.

Efforts to create a regional primary date back to the mid-1970s, according to Colleen Cousineau, deputy director of the Southern Legislative Conference. Both Southern governors and lawmakers thought it could give the region new political clout.

Murphy met with his fellow Southern legislative speakers in an Atlanta hotel in 1975, where they discussed the national Democratic Party, Anthony said.

"Nixon was gone, but (Jimmy) Carter was not yet looked at as a viable candidate. They talked about coming up with a regional primary. It started moving, but about that time, Carter's candidacy caught on and the idea was put in abeyance for a while," Anthony said.

Following the Reagan wins in 1980 and 1984, "They figured the timing was right," he said.

Three Southern states — Alabama, Florida and Georgia — already had the same primary date, Cousineau said. In the fall of 1985, the legislative conference decided to shoot for a common date.

"It was the Southern Legislative Conference members who went back to their states and, within a very brief period of time, managed to change so many state systems," she said.

As conference chairman in 1985 and 1986, Traeger served as a spokesman for the cause, traveling to all the Southern states.

"I think everybody involved was amazed that we pulled it off," he said. "I've been working on these legislative projects for more than 20 years. It seems like every time we tried to mount something, there was always a problem someplace — West Virginia didn't like this, South Carolina didn't like that. But we really laid this out and worked hard on the key people."

Today, Traeger is retired from the SLC post, as well as the Texas Senate, but he remains an ardent backer of Super Tuesday.

"In the past, when Texas voted in May, nobody much cared what we did," he said. "Now, they care."

Florida's Mills noted the primary may help the Southern candidate, Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore. "It's still a little early to tell, but it looks like Sen. Gore will benefit. He is campaigning and appealing to the issues this region is concerned about," Mills said.

Tennessee Gov. Ned McWherter, speaker of that state's House for 14 years, also has been working for Gore.

"A few weeks ago, I told some of my friends around the South if Super Tuesday was going to turn out the way we envisioned it, some of us were going to have to get involved in the (Gore) campaign and get it to happen," McWherter said.

Traeger is disappointed that neither candidate he had hoped to see in the race — former Virginia Gov. Charles Robb or Georgia Sen. Sam Nunn — decided to run.

"So we're left without a guy who really had a popular appeal with the establishment people in the Democratic Party in the South," he said.



Traeger helped create primary. (AP Laserphoto)

Resolutions fill health centers

DALLAS (AP) — After an intense bout of holiday overindulgence and the promise of New Year's resolutions, thousands are trekking back to health and fitness centers to get back in shape.

"This is definitely the industry's biggest month," said Sandy Hothem, membership director of the downtown Texas Club, a fitness center. "You increase your business 100 percent."

At the downtown YMCA, representative Carol Elliott said new memberships soar in early January. Aerobics classes are full, as are swimming lanes and racquetball courts. Long-term members who haven't been around much suddenly jump back into sweat-pants and start pumping iron and running laps.

But just as suddenly, the increase in activity will disappear, Ms. Elliott said.

Once the bloom has worn off the New Year's resolutions — usually around mid-February — "everything gets back to normal," she said.

David Novit, a sales manager for Busy Body Inc., a fitness equipment company in Dallas, said his firm's business increases 50 percent to 75 percent in January.

"A lot of our customers realize they have to do something because they've either just got back from the doctor or are tired of how they look and feel," he said.

Mark Herrin, owner of Sundrops health food store in Oak Lawn, also noticed a sizeable increase in customers.

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<p style="text-align: center;">COUPON</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAKE IT A LARGE At Medium Charge with coupon</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small>Not Good With Any Other Discount — Expires Jan. 31, 1988</small></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COUPON</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2 LARGE THIN PIZZAS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Single Ingredient \$11⁹⁹ With Coupon</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small>Not Good With Any Other Discount — Expires Jan. 31, 1988</small></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">COUPON</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LARGE PAN SUPREME PIZZA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$9⁹⁹ With Coupon</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small>Not Good With Any Other Discount — Expires Jan. 31, 1988</small></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COUPON</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MEDIUM PAN PIZZA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Single Ingredient \$6⁹⁹ With Coupon Delivery Only</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small>Not Good With Any Other Discount — Expires Jan. 31, 1988</small></p>