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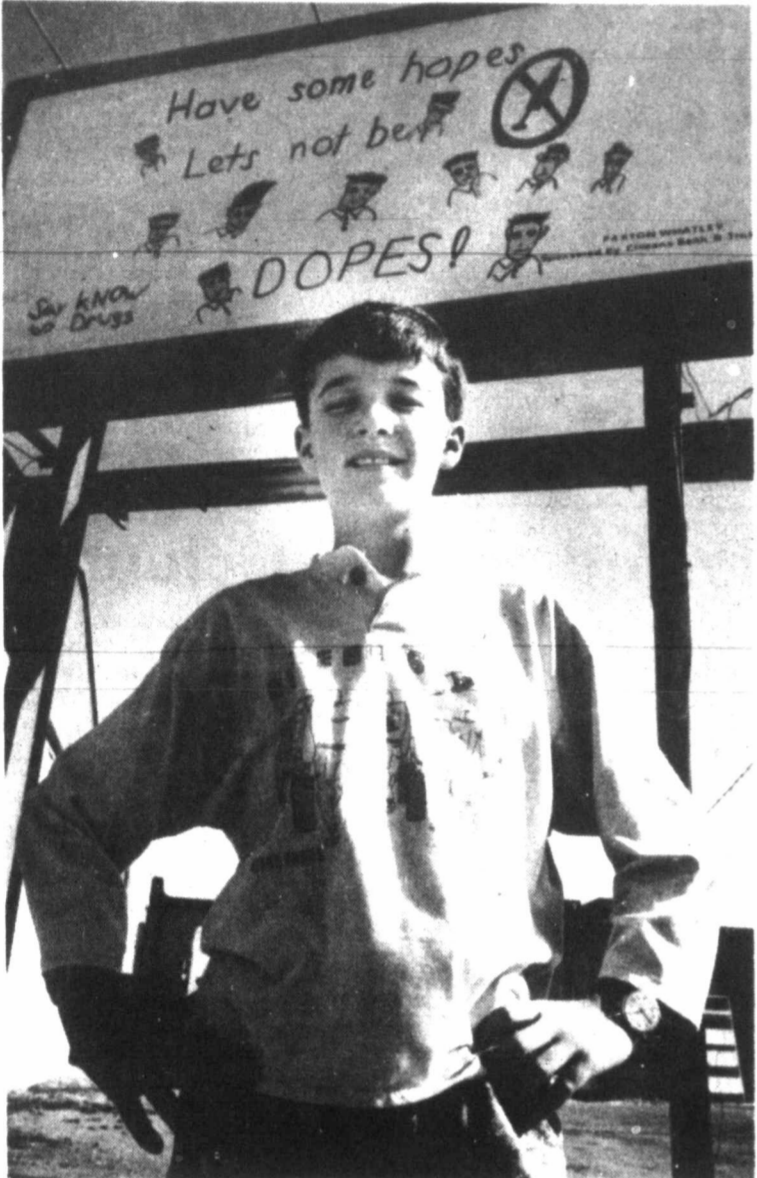
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WEDNESDAY

## His own billboard



(Staff photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Pampa Says kNow to Drugs poster contest winner Paxton Whatley, 12, stands in front of the billboard on South Hobart displaying his first-place entry. A sixth-grader at Pampa Middle School, Paxton is the son of Bob and Linda Whatley. His billboard is one of four around the city showing the top winners in four categories.

## County commissioners to discuss golf course

Same song, umpteenth verse ... Gray County commissioners will once again consider teeing off on plans for a public golf course near Pampa during a meeting at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, after city commissioners gave their initial approval to the project last week.

County commissioners will meet Thursday this week because the courthouse will be closed for Good Friday.

City Manager Bob Hart said last week that the latest analysis of the course shows it could be constructed for about \$730,000 with volunteer labor. The county would donate \$300,000 toward the project, plus equipment and manpower, if county commissioners agree to a city contract. The course will be located north of Pampa on Texas Highway 70 if approved.

In other action Thursday, commissioners plan to:

- consider a request from the adult probation office to sponsor a grant application;
- consider a plan to place name or number signs on county roads;
- discuss a letter from Panhandle Community Services of Amarillo concerning the Women, Infants and Children program;
- receive bids for a new pickup truck and for the sale of used equipment in Precinct 3;
- consider a request from Tax Assessor/Collector Margie Gray to contract for services;
- discuss hiring part-time help in Precinct 2 and replacing a retired employee;
- receive presentations on deferred compensation and an alternative benefit package for county employees;
- consider a request to cross a county road with a pipeline; and
- pay salaries and bills and consider time deposits and transfers recommended by the county auditor.

## 3 Australian men take a side trip to visit Texas Panhandle

By LARRY HOLLIS  
Managing Editor

They bill themselves as the Bald One, the Fat One and the Not So Good Looking One — though done jokingly, it was good enough to win three Australian men a 13-day all-expenses paid trip to Mexico.

Digging into their pockets, the three Aussie amigos extended the trip for another week, with side trips to New Orleans — and Pampa.

Blimey, what are three Aussies doing coming to Pampa? And at their own bloody expense? John McRae, Kevin "Razz" Porter and Geoff Ray were in Pampa Tuesday night visiting with local Pampa High School vocational coordinator Don Nelson, who picked the three men up yesterday in Lubbock, where they had spent Monday night.

Nelson met McRae in 1982 when the Australian visited Pampa as part of a Rotary International exchange team, a program in which Rotary sponsors exchange trips between nations for businessmen to learn about other cultures. Nelson then returned the visit in 1983, when he was a team leader for an exchange trip by Americans to Australia.

McRae has made both his American visits during Easter week.

But this is the first time for Porter and Ray to come to the United States and the Texas Panhandle. Ray said he's never been overseas before. Porter has done a "lot of traveling," but this is his first trip to the United States.

"The real culture is here now, since I'm here," joked Porter, who says he's also known as Ugly Dundee, a take-off on the popular "Crocodile" Dundee character of Australian Paul Hogan.

All three single men live in Young, New South Wales, located about 250 miles southwest of Sydney and 100 miles west of Canberra.

McRae teaches wool classing at a college and also has "a small farm" of 1,000 acres. Ray is a secondary school science teacher. Porter said he's a "radiator specialist" with his own shop.

The three men won their trip in a look-alike competition for the American movie, *The Three Amigos*, starring Steve Martin, Martin Short and Chevy Chase.

To enter the competition, they took several pictures of themselves posing as the characters in the film and wrote an accom-

## INF treaty nears committee OK

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee headed toward approval today of the U.S.-Soviet treaty banning medium-range nuclear weapons, despite partisan bickering over presidential authority.

The Democratic-controlled panel was scheduled to meet late this afternoon to vote on the pact signed Dec. 8 by President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the committee, and Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., both predicted approval. "It looks like we'll have a strong vote," Cranston said.

They spoke in the wake of a political squabble which left

some committee Republicans angry and threatening to oppose the treaty when it comes to the floor next month.

"This has been made partisan, unnecessarily in my view," said Sen. Daniel Evans, R-Wash. "No one has worked harder for this treaty than me, but I'm now going to seriously take a look at whether I can vote for it."

Evans and other Republicans were unhappy about a Democratic-written provision which was added to the measure with the help of an unusual ally — conservative Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., a treaty opponent.

The provision says no future president can change the U.S. interpretation of the treaty without

the approval of Congress, either through a new pact or through a separate law.

The measure arises from a long-standing fight between Reagan and Congress over Reagan's assertion that the executive branch can unilaterally change how the U.S. government interprets a treaty. Congressional Democrats disagree with that statement, which Reagan has used to justify some tests of his Star Wars missile defense system.

The tests would violate the original interpretation of the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile treaty.

Democrats want assurances that Reagan or another president won't assert the same right to re-

interpret treaties on the intermediate-range Nuclear Forces pact.

Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., said Reagan already has agreed not to change the U.S. view of the INF treaty and said the proposal "is a deliberate attempt to embarrass the president."

Earlier in the day, the Senate met in a rare secret session to talk about intelligence estimates about the size of the Soviets' force of SS-20 missiles, which will be destroyed under the treaty.

The Soviets have admitted to having 650 of the weapons, but Helms and other conservative critics argue that U.S. intelligence estimates show that the Soviets may possess up to 1,000.

## Milner, Price trade barbs in campaign

By PAUL PINKHAM  
Senior Staff Writer

Republican Congressional hopeful Larry Milner of Amarillo brought his campaign to his opponent's back yard Tuesday during a three-day Panhandle campaign swing, and wasted no time in going on the attack.

Campaigning Tuesday morning in Pampa, Milner said Republicans should choose him over former U.S. Rep. Bob Price of Pampa in the April 12 runoff election because he is more "electable" than Price.

"We think that we can win over Bill Sarpalius in the fall ... because I'm a strong conservative who can attract widespread support," Milner said. "Bob Price has a proven record of losing."

Meanwhile, Price fired off a letter to Milner asking him to quit slinging mud and "stick to the facts," following Milner's accusation last week that Price is a liberal out-of-step with the region's conservative ideals. The letter was made available to the

press this week.

"It is quite a temptation to come up with unkind things to say about your opponent in a political race," Price wrote to Milner. "But let's remember Ronald Reagan's 11th Commandment and stick to the facts, not personal accusations. This Congressional

district is too important to be decided on misleading or false statements.

"Join me, Larry, in being a candidate our families and friends can be proud of."

Sarpalius, of Amarillo, is the Democratic candidate in the race to succeed U.S. Rep. Beau Boul-

ter, R-Amarillo, who is engaged in his own runoff election in his bid for the U.S. Senate.

Milner noted that Sarpalius has defeated Price once before, in 1980, the first year the Democrat was elected state senator.

"Bob Price claims to be electable in his commercials, but the facts say otherwise," Milner said.

Milner also noted that, although Price won 70 percent of the counties, he only won 19 percent of the vote in the six-man Republican primary. Milner captured 24 percent of the primary vote.

Price's support in the smaller counties doesn't translate into a "city vs. rural election," Milner claimed.

"I got a lot of votes, too," in rural areas, Milner said. He cited his commitment to creating jobs and his experience in economic development while president of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce as reasons for his electability.

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Milner



Price

## Three suspects face trial in Wheeler murder

By DEE DEE LARAMORE  
Staff Writer

WHEELER — May 9 has been set as trial date for three people accused of murdering an Oklahoma drifter here last December, but one defense attorney says it will probably be July before the case comes to trial.

Tammy Dye, Carolyn Willie and Richard Woodard remain in Wheeler County jail today in lieu of \$25,000 bond each. Each has been charged with the murder of Dale Duessler, 37, of Waterloo, Wis.

Duessler's body was found in a burned 1974 Chevrolet Dec. 8 at Lake Skipout near Reydon, Okla. A coroner's report indicated he had died of gunshot wounds to the stomach. The body was burned beyond recognition.

Although May 9 had been set as the trial date, with pre-trial hearings and docket call scheduled for May 6, James M. Bowers, court-appointed attorney for Willie, said he will be in Wisconsin in May. "I expect I'm going to be gone at that time," he said, adding that he planned to file a continuance.

Woodard was first indicted on the charge

by a Wheeler County grand jury on Dec. 16. That indictment was later dismissed and he was re-indicted along with the two women on Jan. 15.

In February, Bowers had asked for a competency examination for his client after attempting to interview her in jail.

In his affidavit, Bowers said, "I attempted to counsel with the defendant on Feb. 2, 1988, and it appears her intelligence quotient is such that she does not give me reasonable and competent answers to questions that I asked her. It is my opinion that she is lacking in understanding as to not realize the consequences of her actions."

Presiding Judge Grainger McIlhany ordered that a psychiatrist be appointed to find out whether Willie was competent to stand trial, and Dr. Hugh Pennal of Amarillo was chosen to perform the examination. Bowers said that Pennal did find Willie competent to stand trial.

Woodard has recently been returned to Wheeler County Jail after pleading guilty to check forgery charges in Oklahoma. He was arrested in Elk City, Okla., three days after the murder on a charge of forging checks. During interrogation by Elk City police, he

reportedly confessed to the Wheeler shooting.

Oklahoma law enforcement officials told Wheeler County Sheriff Lonnie Miller about the shooting Dec. 10. He said he heard no reports of any disturbance at the trailer house Monday. Wheeler County sheriff's deputies spent Dec. 11 examining the shooting scene and found a double-barreled shotgun believed to be the murder weapon.

Woodard and Duessler moved into the trailer house east of Wheeler on Dec. 5, two days before the shooting, Miller said.

Miller said the burned vehicle had been registered in Wisconsin to Duessler, but the tags were removed. The vehicle was found on federal land, bringing the Federal Bureau of Investigation in on the incident.

Two women, Gwenetta Woodard, 18, and Dye, 22, both of Drumright, Okla., were originally held in Wheeler County Jail as material witnesses. Miller described the two as Woodard's wife and Duessler's girlfriend.

Miller described Woodard and Duessler as "just drifters," adding that the two men traveled around the country with their wives, apparently following oil business.



(Staff Photo by Larry Hollis)

Aussie amigos, from left, Ray, Porter and McRae.

The Louisiana and Texas stops aren't part of the 13-day package trip they won.

"This part we didn't win," Porter explained. "We've had to pay for this."

He said the group decided to ex-

tend the trip to three weeks to take in some other sights and to come up to Pampa to meet some of McRae's American friends.

In Pampa last night, they were welcomed at a reception hosted by Nelson in his house. They chat-

ted with the guests, making fun of the Texas and Cajun accents they had heard, which Porter imitated well.

Others remarked on their Australian accents.

"What accent?" Porter asked.

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## Services tomorrow

**PINSON, Edgar "Shorty"** — 2 p.m., Schooler-Gordon Colonial Chapel, Amarillo.  
**BOWLING, Jerome Homer** — 2 p.m., Robertson Chapel of Memories, Clarendon.

## Obituaries

**EDGAR "SHORTY" PINSON**  
**AMARILLO** — Funeral services for Edgar "Shorty" Pinson, 79, brother of a Pampa woman, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday at Schooler-Gordon Colonial Chapel with the Rev. David Crump, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Amarillo.  
Mr. Pinson died Tuesday.  
An Amarillo resident for 31 years, he retired from Southwestern Public Service as a plant operator in 1974. He married Willie Ellen McLain in 1936 in Fort Sumner, N.M.  
Survivors include his wife, Willie; a daughter, Jacqueline Lehrer of Yuba City, Calif.; a son, James Earl Pinson of Alamogordo, N.M.; three sisters, Edna Colley of Artesia, N.M., Fern Camp of Wichita Falls and Dorothy Fuller of Pampa; four brothers, Wallace, Grady, Frank and Theodore Pinson, all of Artesia, N.M.; and three grandchildren.  
The family requests memorials be made to the American Heart Association.

**JEROME HOMER BOWLING**  
**LELIA LAKE** — Funeral services for Jerome Homer Bowling, 78, father of a Canadian man, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday in Robertson Chapel of Memories in Clarendon with the Rev. Tony Colburn, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Clarendon, officiating. Burial will be in Citizens' Cemetery by Robertson Funeral Directors.  
Mr. Bowling died Monday in Amarillo.  
He was born in Windy Valley and was a lifelong resident of Donley County. He married Noval Gustin in 1930 at Hollis, Okla. He was a farmer and rancher all his life and was a Baptist.  
Survivors include his wife Noval; three daughters, Gale Duke of Claude, Madeline Longley of Amarillo and Othelia Head of Panhandle; two sons, Dwight of Clarendon and Greg of Canadian; two sisters, Mammie Mills and Leonia Mae Shaw, both of Clarendon; a brother, Alford Eugene Bowling of Fort Worth; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

**PEDRO R. SUAREZ**  
**CHILDRESS** — Funeral services for Pedro R. Suarez, 87, former Shamrock resident and father of a Shamrock man, were scheduled for 2 p.m. today at Schooler-Gordon Chapel in Childress with the Rev. Daniel Garcia officiating. Burial was to be in Childress Cemetery by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.  
Mr. Suarez died Monday.  
Born in Mexico, he moved to Childress from Shamrock in 1971. He married Guadalupe Garza in 1939 in Edinburg. He was a farm laborer.  
Survivors include his wife, Guadalupe; a son, Oberlin of Shamrock; and two daughters, Olga and Olma Suarez, both of Childress.

**NANCIANNE WARNOCK**  
**SPRINGFIELD, Ohio** — Word has been received of the death of Nancianne Warnock, 54, sister of a Miami woman.  
Funeral services were held March 19 in Springfield.  
Ms. Warnock was preceded in death by her father in 1986 and a sister in 1942.  
Survivors include her mother, Daisy Warnock of Jeffersonville, Ohio; a brother, Thurman Warnock of Jeffersonville; four sisters, Cheryl Matthews of Sabina, Ohio, Margaret Warnock and Phyllis Spears of Columbus, Ohio, and Beverly O'Loughlin of Miami; her cousins, Samuel Bowers of Miami and Frances Ruth Walls of Pampa; 10 nephews and two nieces.

## Fire report

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**TUESDAY, March 29**  
1:40 p.m. - Pampa firefighters checked out heavy black smoke west of the city which turned out to be a controlled pit fire at City Service plant.  
4:34 p.m. - A car fire was reported at Pampa Garage & Salvage, 511 Huff Rd. Someone had been using a cutting torch on a junk car, causing it to catch on fire.

## Hospital

**CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions**  
Bill Abernathy, Pampa  
Patrick Darling, Pampa  
W.K. Hartley, Pampa  
Lendi Jackson, Lefors  
Leslie Johnson, Pampa  
Sybilla Koetting, Groom  
Leon Osborne, White Deer  
Charlotte Watson, Pampa  
Clara Whitney, Pampa  
**Births**  
Mr. and Mrs. Barry Jackson, Lefors, a boy  
Mr. and Mrs. Brian Paulsson, White Deer, a girl  
Mr. and Mrs. Mike Watson, Pampa, a girl  
**Dismissals**  
Alberta Brown, Pampa  
Weldon Cawyer, Pampa  
Martha Gunter and baby girl, Lefors  
Gideon Pate, Pampa  
Julia Schafer, Canadian  
Jim Streeter, Canadian  
Sandy Stringfellow and baby boy, White Deer  
Mary Vick, Pampa  
William Winborn, Pampa  
Owen Young, Shamrock  
**EXTENDED CARE UNIT Admissions**  
Gideon Pate, Pampa  
**Dismissals**  
None  
**SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions**  
Mary Milburn, Shamrock  
**Dismissals**  
Jerry Bob Jernigan, Shamrock  
Vernell Gillespie, Wellington

## Calendar of events

**PAMPA AREA ART LEAGUE**  
The Pampa Area Art League is currently conducting its membership drive. A booth will be set up at the Pampa Mall from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday to take memberships. The non-profit league currently is involved in raising funds to construct an art center and museum in the former Worley Hospital building, which has been donated to the league.

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
**TUESDAY, March 29**  
Russell Lynn Morris, 1601 W. Somerville, reported criminal trespass at the address.  
John Derek Weeden, 402 S. Finley, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at the address.  
Joyce Carter, 910 S. Schneider, reported theft at the address.  
Driving while intoxicated was alleged in the 900 block of West Wilks.  
**WEDNESDAY, March 30**  
Driving while intoxicated was alleged in the 800 block of South Cuyler.  
Driving while intoxicated and minor in possession were alleged in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

**Arrests-City Jail**  
**TUESDAY, March 29**  
Tim Lee Frost, 25, 1108 S. Sumner, was arrested in the 900 block of West Wilks on charges of driving while intoxicated, no insurance and failure to maintain a single lane.  
**WEDNESDAY, March 30**  
David L. Grain, 17, 524 Hazel, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on charges of failure to stop at a designated point, driving while intoxicated, minor in possession and failure to signal lane change.

## Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa	Arco	81 1/4	up 1/4
Wheat	Cabot	36 1/4	dn 1/4
Milo	Chevron	46 1/4	up 1/4
Corn	Energy	15 1/4	NC
The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of completion	Enron	35 1/4	NC
Damson Oil	Halliburton	33 1/4	up 1/4
Ky. Cent. Life	HCA	30 1/4	up 1/4
Serco	Ingersoll-Rand	29 1/4	up 1/4
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion	Kerr-McGee	38 1/4	up 1/4
Magellan	ENE	17 1/4	up 1/4
Puritan	Mapco	51 1/4	dn 1/4
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa, Amoco	Maxxus	67 1/4	dn 1/4
	Mesa Ltd.	13 1/4	up 1/4
	Mobil	43 1/4	up 1/4
	Phillips	48 1/4	up 1/4
	SBJ	35 1/4	up 1/4
	SFS	24 1/4	NC
	SPS	43 1/4	up 1/4
	Tenneco	49 1/4	up 1/4
	Texaco	49 1/4	up 1/4
	London Gold	454.00	
	Silver	6.67	

## Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no traffic accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

## Gets endorsements



U.S. Rep Beau Boulter, center, picks up the endorsement of two former GOP rivals Ned Snead, left, and former state Rep. Milton Fox for the April 12 runoff election. Boulter, R-Amarillo, faces Houston businessman Wes Gilbreath in the runoff for the right to face incumbent Democrat Lloyd Bentsen in November.

## Helton sentenced on DWI charge

**WHEELER** — After five arrests, Justin A. Helton finally has a drunken driving conviction.  
Helton, 21, of Route 2, Pampa, pleaded guilty Tuesday in Wheeler County Court to a first offense of driving while intoxicated and was sentenced to 30 days in the Wheeler County Jail. Wheeler County Attorney Kent Sims said Helton will begin serving the straight-time sentence Monday.  
"The judge was nice enough to give him Easter," Sims said.  
Wheeler County Judge Wendell Morgan also fined Helton \$450 plus about \$90 in court costs, Sims said. The county prosecutor said the sentence resulted from a plea bargain.  
Helton was arrested for drunk driving Oct. 22 by Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper John Waight about 5 miles

southeast of Wheeler on U.S. Highway 83. It was the fifth such driving offense he had been accused of.  
He had filed a civil rights complaint against the DPS, claiming Waight beat him during the arrest. But the complaint was dropped following investigation by the FBI. Waight described Helton as "very belligerent" and combative during the arrest.  
Helton also is in the midst of serving a 120-day jail sentence for a DWI-related involuntary manslaughter conviction in Gray County, but Sims was prohibited by law from considering that conviction as a first drunken driving offense. Helton is reportedly serving that Gray County sentence on weekends.  
The case stems from a one-vehicle accident near Groom in

1986, which claimed the life of Helton's cousin, Steve Helton, 25, 2400 Rosewood Lane. Three pending DWI charges against Justin Helton in Gray County Court — one which occurred prior to the fatal accident and two which occurred in the months following — were dismissed as part of a plea bargain when Helton was convicted last December.  
Helton's case was highlighted in last week's series of articles in *The Pampa News* about the handling of drunken driving cases in Gray County.  
Sims said virtually all first-time offenders in Wheeler County receive probation. But, he said, after the way Helton's cases were treated in Gray County, he "couldn't stomach" the thought of no jail time for the defendant.

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## Campaign

One area where Milner and Price fundamentally disagree is the line-item veto, giving the president the right to veto parts of legislation sent by Congress. Currently, the president must veto all or none of a piece of legislation.  
Price called the line-item veto "the first step toward a dictatorship" because it would strip Congress of many of its lawmaking duties. He said the line-item veto would be a dangerous tool in the hands of a liberal president.

In a related development, former GOP candidate Jim Brandon of Amarillo announced Tuesday that he supports Price in the upcoming runoff. Brandon cited Price's support of a national energy policy, opposition to abortion and previous experience in Congress as reasons for the endorsement.

"The 13th Congressional District needs Bob's seniority working for us now," Brandon said.  
Brandon joins state Rep. Chip Staniswalis, R-Amarillo, in backing Price. Former hopeful Alan Pickering of Amarillo has endorsed Milner. Ron Buffum of Wichita Falls has not yet endorsed either candidate.

## City Briefs

**APPRECIATE YOUR Business!** Clement's Barber Shop, 665-1231. Adv.  
**EASTER BASKETS Unique!** Baskets of Blessings, 665-9204. Adv.  
**DANCE TO Night Riders,** Moose Lodge, Saturday, April 2. Members and guests. Adv.  
**LOTS OF Easter Egg Discounts** can still be found this week at Personal Touch. Adv.  
**EASTER SUNDAY buffet,** 11:30-1:30. Coronado Inn, 669-2506. Adv.  
**PERMS \$20.** Early and late appointments, Monday thru Saturday. Ruth 665-9236. Adv.  
**TAX SERVICE** Glenda Reeves Brownlee. 665-2111 or 274-2142. Adv.

**WELCOME TO Pampa Flor Daniels 20% Discount** for all New Customers! Walk-ins welcome Steve and Stars, 701 N. Hobart, 665-8958. Open Monday-Saturday. Adv.  
**MOONLIGHT EASTER Special.** Perms \$20, Cuts \$10. Open 'til midnight, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 29, 30. Walk-ins welcome. Steve and Stars, 701 N. Hobart, 665-8958. Adv.  
**MEALS ON WHEELS** 669-1007, P.O. Box 939 Adv.  
**TAXUALLY FRUSTRATED?** Let us help. F and L Bookkeeping and Tax Consultants. Experienced Professional Tax Preparation. Reasonable rates. 400 N. Cuyler, 665-4966. Adv.  
**EASTER BUNNY** is at Pampa Mall, 4-8 p.m. Thursday. Adv.

## No indictments made in theft ring

**DECATUR** — No indictments were handed down by the Wise County grand jury Tuesday in connection with a suspected wide-spread vehicle theft ring which could involve Wheeler County.  
"No indictments were issued," said Patrick Morris, Wise County district attorney. "But we are continuing an investigation on the whole theft ring arising out of Wheeler County."  
Morris said Department of Public Safety auto theft division,

Texas Rangers, Wise County and Wheeler County sheriff's offices are involved in the investigation.  
Three months of investigative work had gone before the grand jury in Decatur Tuesday, including information received following the arrest of J.T. Johnson of Wheeler for "theft by exercising control."  
Johnson's arrest by Wheeler County Sheriff's Department resulted in the recovery of a stolen 1986 Chevrolet pickup and the issuance of 25 subpoenas in the

Fort Worth area.  
Also recovered were several cars, pickups, tractors and fencing that had been reported stolen over a period of several years. Also being investigated is a "chop shop" where vehicles were dismantled and parts distributed, and a dairy farm is reported to be somehow involved.  
Wheeler law enforcement officers say the theft ring has been traced to the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Decatur and Wheeler, and it appears to be a well-organized group.

## High school lab project condemned

**WYLIE (AP)** — A decade-long requirement that advanced biology students at Wylie High School either kill a live animal or acquire a dead one for a lab project has drawn criticism from a parent and the Collin County Humane Society.  
Wylie, population 4,500, is about 25 miles northeast of Dallas.  
School Superintendent Don Whitt says the district will re-evaluate the class project although the practice has gone unchallenged for 10 years.  
"It's already over now," Whitt said. "We're going to restudy the program for next year."  
Juniors and seniors enrolled in

Biology II have been assigned to find or purchase an animal to create a "bone mount," a project that requires them to skin and de-bone their choice of a wild or domestic creature.  
Whitt said the students then reassemble the skeleton, which is intended to teach them about various skeletal anatomies.  
Wylie High School Principal Robert Shirley said students are advised to get chickens or rabbits from local breeders, but are allowed to make their choice with their parents' consent.  
Shirley said this year, the variety of animals included three dead cats — one of which was hit

by a car in front of a student's house — and a guinea pig bought from a local pet store.  
The mother of the student who bought the guinea pig complained to the school and the Humane Society after her son was troubled by killing the animal for the project.  
The 16-year-old bought the guinea pig after he failed to get a dead animal from the local animal pound or by hunting one on the family's 10 acres, she said.  
The mother said she complained after her son expressed reservations about the project.  
"He said all he could think of doing was drowning the animal."

## Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**  
Tonight, increasing cloudiness with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Temperatures will be warmer with tonight's low near 40 degrees. Thursday, more wind and cooler temperatures, and a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, some possibly severe. High will be near 60 and winds will be from the southwest at 20 to 30 mph and gusty.  
**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
West Texas — Increasing cloudiness north and fair elsewhere tonight. Widely scattered thunderstorms Panhandle late tonight. Windy most sections Thursday with widely scattered mainly late afternoon thunderstorms, some possibly severe Panhandle and South Plains and less numerous Permian Basin. Warmer tonight across the area, then cooler Panhandle on Thursday. Lows tonight 40 Panhandle to 53 southeast except lower 30s mountains. Highs Thursday 60 Panhandle to 79 far west and lower 90s Big Bend.  
North Texas — Increasing cloudiness and warmer with a chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight and Thursday. Lows tonight 50 to 57. Highs Thursday 70 to 79.  
South Texas — Mostly cloudy with scattered showers tonight, more numerous east

sections. Continued mostly cloudy Thursday with widely scattered showers west and scattered showers east. A little warmer tonight and Wednesday. Lows tonight from 50s north to 60s south. Highs Thursday in the 70s except near 80 south.  
**EXTENDED FORECAST**  
**Friday through Sunday**  
West Texas — A chance of thunderstorms east of the mountains Friday, otherwise mostly fair with temperatures below normal over the weekend. Panhandle: Highs around 60, lows in the 30s. South Plains: Highs in the 60s, lows mid 40s to upper 30s. Permian Basin: Highs around 70, lows mid 40s to near 50. Concho Valley: Highs in the 70s, lows around 50. Far West: Highs around 70, lows around 40. Big Bend: Highs 70s mountains to the mid 80s lower elevations; Lows 30s to mid 40s mountains, with low to mid 50s lower elevations.  
North Texas — A chance of thunderstorms areawide Friday and Saturday. Decreasing cloudiness central and west Sunday with thunderstorms ending over eastern sections. Highs in the 70s to near 80 Friday and Saturday cooling into the upper 60s to middle 70s Sunday. Lows in the middle 50s to lower 60s Friday and Saturday falling into the middle 40s to middle 50s Sunday.  
South Texas — A chance of

thunderstorms areawide Friday and Saturday. Decreasing cloudiness central and west Sunday with thunderstorms ending over eastern sections. Highs in the 70s to near 80 Friday and Saturday cooling into the upper 60s to middle 70s Sunday. Lows in the middle 50s to lower 60s Friday and Saturday falling into the middle 40s to middle 50s Sunday.  
**BORDER STATES**  
New Mexico — A slight chance of showers over the north-central and west-central mountains and the northwest plateau, otherwise cloudy north and partly cloudy south tonight. Thursday there will be a chance of rain or snow showers over the western and northern mountains with rain showers at the lower elevations of the north and partly cloudy south. Lows tonight from the 20s and low 30s over the mountains and north to the upper 30s and 40s elsewhere. Highs Thursday from the upper 40s and 50s over the mountains and north to the 60s and low 70s south.  
Oklahoma — increasing cloudiness tonight with scattered showers and thunderstorms mainly south and west. Cloudy and mild with scattered showers and thunderstorms Thursday. Lows tonight in the 40s. Highs Thursday from near 50 Panhandle to the upper 60s south.

# Texas/Regional

## Officials studying ways to promote safer spring break

PORT ARANSAS (AP) — Area officials say they want to cut down on spring break anarchy, and plan to take a beach safety program on the road to reach high school students.

Tough law enforcement also was suggested at a session Nueces County Commissioner J.P. Luby hosted Monday to prepare for this weekend's expected Easter crowds of more than 100,000 on Padre and Mustang islands.

"Our best bet is to really give it to them. Prosecute them and give them heavy fines," said Port Aransas city councilman Ken Williams.

Nueces County Attorney Carlos Valdez suggested that fines for some liquor law violations could be raised as high as \$1,000.

Plans were set into motion at the session to send Nueces County constables'

representatives to San Antonio to speak to high school students about beach safety.

A week ago Saturday, a crowd of spring-breakers overturned a car, set it on fire and tossed beer bottles and cans at police officers trying to disperse the crowd. Other incidents the same night included stabbings and the deaths of two young men whose car plunged into 18 feet of water at the Port Aransas ferry crossing.

Officials have attributed many of the problems at spring break to high school students who travel from San Antonio and other cities.

At the southern tip of the Texas coast, at South Padre Island, a survey of visitors during spring break gave the Texas Department of Public Safety the highest marks and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission the lowest, preliminary results show.

Professor Chris Clearman said the survey by his criminal justice students at Pan American University-Brownsville showed the DPS was given the most "excellent" ratings among spring breakers under age 26, local young people under 26 and adults, including winter Texans.

At the same time, TABC agents received as many "very poor" ratings as all other law enforcement agencies combined.

Pan American students questioned 1,000 visitors to the island over the past month and by Tuesday, 671 of the questionnaires had been tabulated, Clearman said.

Clearman said generally a law enforcement agency must make a bad im-

pression to receive a "very poor" mark from someone.

The Pan American survey comes while tension is high between TABC agents and South Padre Island officials over the plainclothes agents' enforcement of Texas 21-year-old drinking law. This month, TABC officials at the island have arrested more than 1,500 students for possessing or drinking alcohol under age.

TABC Assistant District Supervisor Raul Santiago said Tuesday his officers perform a thankless job, and have helped maintain a safe atmosphere that attracts the students.

"The liquor laws as far as minors are concerned are not very popular, and that could explain that," he said of the survey.

"I wish we could go down there and be

popular," Santiago said. "If the people don't want the law enforced in that area, they should write letters to my supervisors and our headquarters."

DPS officers received 305, or 44 percent, of the excellent ratings handed out while the TABC was second in the excellent category, with 157, while city police had 126 and park police 134.

However, the TABC got 22, or about half, of the "very poor" ratings given among the total interviewees. Seventeen of those "very poor" ratings came from Spring Breakers, some of whom had been arrested by TABC agents.

On the other hand, Clearman said the DPS got high marks, even from at least one young man who had been ticketed by the state troopers for speeding.

### A long way to grow



A baby American flamingo, which hatched two weeks ago, sticks close to an adult flamingo at the Dallas Zoo. The baby, which weighs three ounces, is the first at the zoo in six years.

## Mattox briefs health care panel on probe

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorney General Jim Mattox says a community care program for the mentally retarded has allowed some facilities to collect state payments on top of Medicaid funds.

"Somebody out there has figured out there's some money to be made in that program," he told the Special Task Force on the Future of Long Term Health Care Tuesday.

Mattox said an investigation of more than 20 community homes for the mentally retarded shows that some homes are receiving money for certain client services that are not being provided, which could be illegal.

"I don't want to make a blanket statement about it, but overall we have not found that the additional care for which they are receiving the money is actually being provided, overall," Mattox said.

Mattox declined to say, however, whether he would seek criminal charges or civil sanctions against the homes.

He did say the program was designed for 300 mentally retarded clients but has grown to 1,800.

Stories about the investigation by Mattox's office were published earlier this month, and he discussed the issue Tuesday with reporters and the task force.

The investigation has focused on a program used by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to buy community services for hundreds of mentally retarded people moved from state institutions in response to federal court orders, he said.

This year there is more than \$40 million in the state Prospective Payment Program for relocating patients.

Mattox said his office wants to know if operators of the community homes are accepting MHMR money and Medicaid money, which goes to the poor and disabled. He said 1,800 people in the community homes, about 400 are receiving equal amounts of money from Medicaid and MHMR.

He said if the operators are getting the additional money and not providing additional services, they are violating the law.

Some community home operators say they could not afford to open homes for retarded people if they relied solely on Medicaid funding of up to \$59 a day for each resident. The state program pays about \$55 per day.

Mattox said his office wants MHMR and the Department of Human Services, which allocates Medicaid money to correct the problem. "Then, if we find there are criminal violations, we will look at that. If there are civil violations, we will look at that."

He said he was concerned that if Texas is found not to be in compliance with federal Medicaid guidelines, the state would be required to reimburse the federal government or make operators of the community facilities return money not justifiably earned.

"I'm not interested in doing away with the program, but at the same time I don't want the state to end up holding a big ticket on this thing either," Mattox said.

He submitted several recommendations on nursing homes to the task force, including increasing Medicaid daily reimbursement rates for nursing home patients and raising the income cap for patients to qualify for Medicaid.

Income restrictions prevent some patients from receiving Medicaid but the patients still are not able to pay for their own care, he said.

He suggested additional training, with higher salaries, for nurses and aides who work in nursing homes, as well as additional funds for the state health department to investigate and sanction homes that refuse to comply with standards.

Mattox said the state should compile up-to-date statistics on nursing homes, because the lack of reliable data remains a significant stumbling block to building the long-term care system of the future.

prosecution with DISD backing.

But Ms. Phillips attorney, Allan Fishburn, said the ruling deprives parents the right to seek justice when their children are mistreated at school.

"It keeps you quiet. It shuts your mouth," Fishburn said.

Ms. Phillips said she plans to appeal the ruling and file a civil lawsuit against the DISD.

"I just feel sorry for the children — they have no one, absolutely no one, to help them," Ms. Phillips said. "They are made to be in fear when they're at school."

## Kinnear: Icahn won't take over Texaco

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Investors are continuing to focus on Texaco Inc. as it emerges from bankruptcy protection, but company officials say they are not ready to sell the oil giant.

Carl Icahn, the company's largest shareholder with 14.8 percent of its shares, is one of four parties who have expressed interest in the White Plains, N.Y.-based company.

Texaco is expected to emerge from Chapter 11 bankruptcy court reorganization early next month after its lengthy battle with Pennzoil Co. over the acquisition of Getty Oil Co.

The investment firm Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. said in New York Tuesday that it will seek federal approval to acquire up to 15 percent of Texaco's stock.

Kohlberg Kravis, which has carried out some of the largest leveraged buyouts in U.S. history, said an affiliate already has acquired 11.95 million Texaco shares, or about 4.9 percent of the roughly 242 million shares outstanding, "some months ago in the open market."

Texaco's response was upbeat.

"Kohlberg Kravis Roberts has in past situations demonstrated an ability to be a constructive shareholder, which recognizes the importance of building value for the long term. We have no indication that their intentions with Texaco are any different," the company said in a statement.

Icahn, however, has threatened to run a slate of five candidates for Texaco's 14-member board at the next annual meeting unless the company offers to put itself up for sale.

Texaco officials repeatedly have said the company is not for sale and company President James Kinnear, whose seat on the board of directors also is threatened for takeover, said Texaco management will do its best to keep Icahn out.

"He recently said in public that he has no intention of being on Texaco's board or wanting to take control of the company, but the next day he said he might run a proxy slate," Kinnear said at a news conference after a speech to the National Petroleum Refiners Association.

"I just don't know what his intentions are. My prediction is that he will not take over this company," Kinnear said, declining to elaborate on the company's strategy in keeping Icahn from making a run at the company.

Another suitor, Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens, also has said he is seeking federal regulatory permission to acquire up to 15 percent of Texaco's stock, as has Getty Petroleum Co., a large independent distributor

that was born of Texaco's takeover of Getty Oil.

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## Officials hope center helps revitalize oil patch

MIDLAND (AP) — Now that ground has been broken on the first phase of an economic diversification research facility, legislators say the next step is securing state funding for the project.

Officials hope the new Center for Energy and Economic Diversification at University of Texas of the Permian Basin will help revitalize the oil industry.

The state Legislature last year cut funding of \$750,000 for the center, which will be built on 180 acres of donated land.

"If there's a budget crunch, I imagine we'll have to be looking for every available dollar again," said state Rep. Gary Watkins, D-Odessa.

He said the project has the support of Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland; Rep. Larry Don

Shaw, D-Big Spring; Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, and Bill Roden of the UT Board of Regents.

The facility got initial funding of \$500,000 by the Odessa Industrial Development Corp. And construction of the center's first phase is funded by \$3 million in private donations and a \$2 million grant by the UT Board of Regents.

Several hundred people watched local and state dignitaries break ground Monday for the 30,000 square-foot center, designed to research, initiate and support new projects and ideas for diversification of the West Texas economy.

Gov. Bill Clements, who attended the ground breaking ceremony, said the economy of Texas is shifting away from depend-

ence on natural resources and heavy manufacturing to research and technology.

Facilities such as UTPB's center will help make Texas the leader in the transformation from an exploration-based industry to one that will excel through enhanced recovery and development strategies, Clements said.

James Roberts, chairman of the center's development board, said the center could help launch three major growth industries in West Texas — prisons, waste management and energy technology.

"This center not only will sustain and nurture existing industry ... but will bring this area to the forefront in providing solutions to problems that must be solved and in the process created new industries and new jobs."

## Supreme Court grants execution stay to Selvage

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court halted the execution of convicted killer John Henry Selvage, who was scheduled to die before dawn today for the 1979 shooting death of a sheriff's deputy.

The justices granted the stay on a 6-3 vote Tuesday evening pending action by the court on a formal appeal by Selvage's attorneys.

Selvage, 37, was sentenced to die by injection for the shooting death of Harris County Sheriff's Deputy Albert Garza, who was kil-

led July 30, 1979 — his 48th birthday. Garza was trying to prevent a Houston jewelry store robbery but had not drawn his gun.

Selvage was eating his final meal of fried fish, french fries, peas, cake and iced tea when informed of the court's decision, prison spokesman Charles Brown said.

His appeal covered several issues, including using the same argument the high court heard earlier this month in Texas inmate Donald Gene Franklin's case, said attorney

David Cunningham. The court has not issued a ruling.

Franklin's attorney argued that Texas' capital punishment law keeps jurors from giving full consideration to "mitigating circumstances" suggesting life in prison as more appropriate than the death penalty.

On Monday, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans vacated the stay granted to Selvage on Friday by U.S. District Judge Norman Black of Houston.

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### Opinion

## Masters & Johnson should be censured

Two years ago, the just-released Masters and Johnson book alleging that AIDS is "running rampant" among heterosexuals would have been accepted as indisputable fact. Today, thankfully, their claim has been condemned for the fraud that it is.

After years of half-truths and misinformation about AIDS, the establishment press is beginning to report that AIDS is not — repeat, not — going to wipe out mankind before the end of the decade. The nation's newswires, newspapers, magazines and TV media are at last beginning to acknowledge that the current evidence does not support the hysterical reaction so many Americans have about this disease.

Most recently, noted sex researchers William Masters and Virginia Johnson state in their new book, *Crisis: Heterosexual Behavior in the Age of AIDS*, that "the AIDS virus is now running rampant in the heterosexual community."

The Masters and Johnson book, which was excerpted by *Newsweek* magazine, drew a storm of protest from AIDS experts, who asked, "Where's your evidence?" Surgeon General C. Everett Koop attacked the sex researchers' conclusions, saying their book uses "scare tactics" and is irresponsible and unscientific. Koop noted that Masters and Johnson did not submit their work to scientific review or have them published in a recognized medical journal.

Masters and Johnson should be censured by their colleagues and should be ignored by the general public for their outrageous and unsubstantiated claims. *Newsweek* should be swamped with angry letters for abetting the outrage.

Alarmists like Masters and Johnson could do harm to the AIDS victims they purport to be concerned about. Their demagogic statements, which are refuted so easily by medical evidence, could dry up much of the compassion decent Americans have for victims of any terrible disease.

Hopefully, this won't happen. AIDS is indeed a tragedy to those with the usually fatal disease. Their families and friends cry and feel the awful pain of grief, too.

Many iconoclastic journals, like *Commentary* magazine, have been shouting in the wilderness that, no, AIDS does not spell doom for the human race. It is a bit refreshing to read and hear mainstream and liberal magazines and newspapers finally agreeing.

Masters and Johnson only added to the danger, and were rightly rebuked.

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## Fun and games raise costs

WASHINGTON — It was a merry, merry Christmas on Capitol Hill last December. Three months later we are just beginning to discover what a wonderful time was had by all. The story is developed in a document bearing the exciting title of "Request for Certain Rescissions and Repeals of Appropriations." President Reagan sent the request to Congress a few days ago.

What fun! On Dec. 23 Congress dumped on the president's desk a massive "continuing resolution." The bill funded the essential operations of government. It also funded scores of outlays that were not essential at all.

Before examining some of these pretty presents, let me make two points. The first is that the Constitution authorizes Congress to levy taxes only to pay for outlays that promote the "general" welfare. The second is that waste is waste, whether an outlay involves \$100,000 or \$1 million. We ought to rid ourselves of the extravagant state of mind in which an unwarranted item is excused because it's "only a drop in the bucket" or "just an infinitesimal sum in a trillion-dollar budget."

Thus consider a few goodies. The bill contained an item of \$85,000 "to assist the town of Harper's Ferry, W.Va., for police force use." How in the name of the Founding Fathers did the Harper's Ferry cops get to be a responsibility of the federal government? No way.

Here is a present for Maricopa County, Ariz., amounting to \$300,000 toward the cost of a solid waste disposal facility. Surely this is the sole responsibility of Maricopa County.

What about a "gondola transportation system" in Kellogg, Idaho? In his message, the president describes this \$6.4 million item as "a prime example of use of federal tax dollars to



James J. Kilpatrick

finance a local project which benefits a very limited area." The idea is to promote tourism in a resort area. The system would run for three miles, but less than one-fourth of a mile is on federally owned land.

Fun and games! The bill sets aside \$500,000 for the Seattle Goodwill Games Organizing Committee for Cultural Exchange. When the government is running \$150 billion in the red, how can this expense be justified?

Some of the items recommended for rescission or repeal are larger: The president would wipe out an indefensible \$100 million subsidy for sugar producers that goes by the euphemistic name of "sugar export enhancement." The program benefits a handful of sugar producers and imposes an enormous burden on domestic consumers.

Most of the items are relatively small. The bill compels the government to purchase \$10 million in surplus sunflower oil. The government has no use whatever for \$10 million in sunflower oil. The Department of Defense is ordered to buy 300,000 tons of anthracite coal — but the department has a four-year supply of anthracite coal on hand.

It will come as no surprise that influential lawmakers tucked dozens of water projects into the Christmas party. Here is an item of \$47 million to enhance a water supply in Oklahoma City. Here is a friendly gift to Cleveland: \$35 million for local economic development and recreation facilities in Cleveland Harbor. Here is something for East St. Louis, for Des Moines, for Harlan and Barbourville, Ky. The bill sets aside \$5 million toward a regional public park in Dade County, Fla. The project "provides no net national benefits and should be the strict responsibility of state or local interests."

Our congressional Santa Clause provided sugar plums that were not even on departmental Christmas lists. The Department of Housing and Urban Development operates certain public and Indian housing programs. For these programs, the department had asked for a work force of 1,055 employees. Ho, ho, ho! Congress ordered the department to hire 246 more. The Department of the Interior felt that 13 workers were plenty to provide service at its Wilkes-Barre Office of Surface Mining Reclamation. Congress ordered a staff of 23 full-time persons instead. The president had asked for 13,089 full-time workers in the Bureau of Customs. Congress raised the figure to 16,099.

If Reagan had his way, he would cancel federal outlays for a dozen highway projects that are state responsibilities. He would rescind duplicative research programs that never have passed peer review. He would not hit all the taxpayers in the United States to support theaters in Washington, D.C. He would recoup \$4.3 billion that Congress spent on its Christmas party.

Let us see how far he gets. Nobody has shot Santa Claus yet.

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, March 30, the 90th day of 1988. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 30, 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward reached agreement with Russia to purchase the territory of Alaska for \$7.2 million. The deal was roundly ridiculed in the United States as "Seward's Folly."

On this date:

In 1822, Florida became a U.S. territory.

In 1842, Dr. Crawford W. Long of Jefferson, Ga., first used ether as an anesthetic during a minor operation.

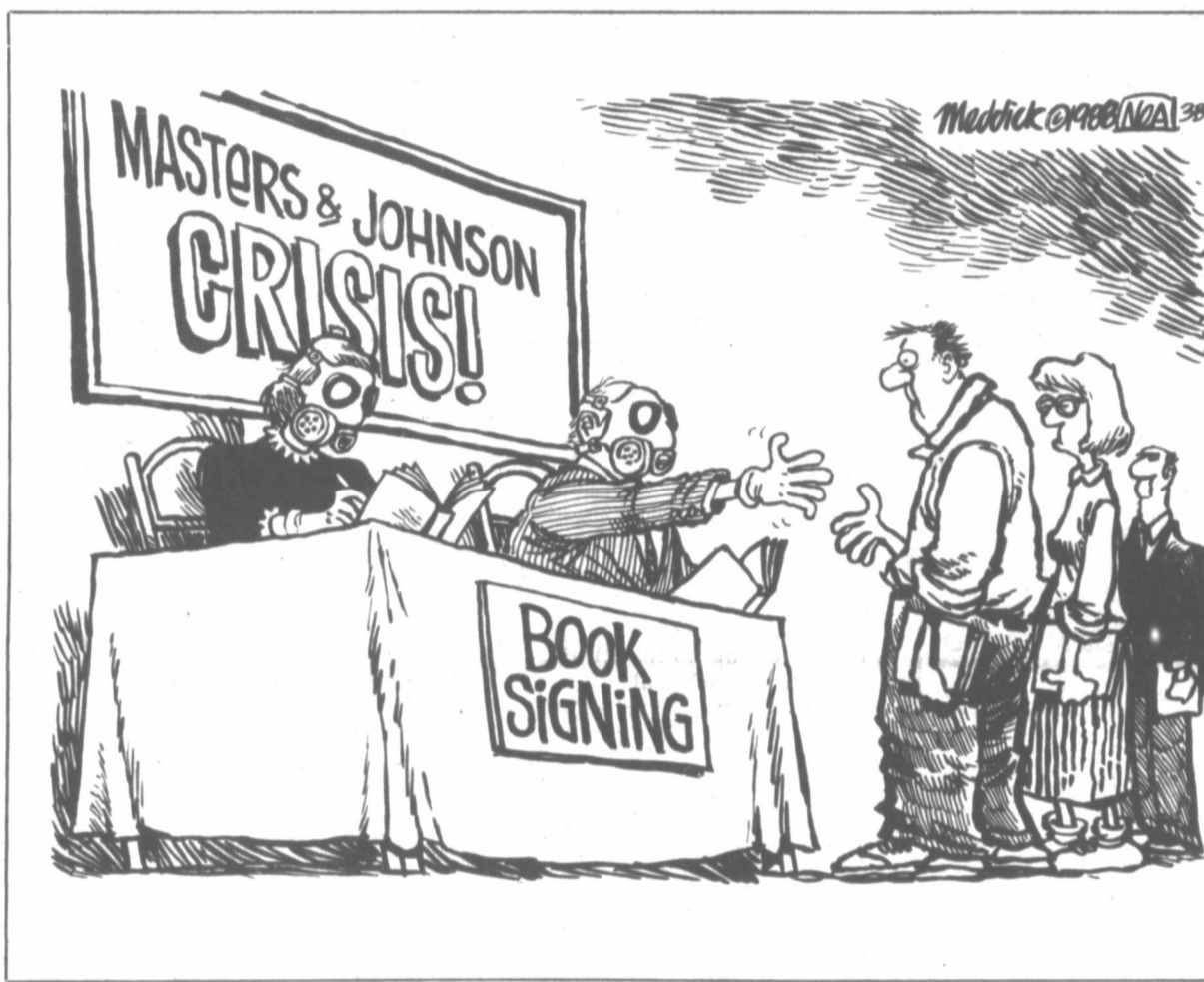
In 1858, Hyman L. Lipman of Philadelphia patented a pencil with an attached eraser.

In 1870, the 15th amendment to the Constitution, giving black men the right to vote, was declared in effect.

In 1870, Texas was readmitted into the Union.

In 1909, the Queensboro Bridge opened, linking the New York City boroughs of Manhattan and Queens.

In 1945, the Soviet Union invaded Austria during World War II.



## Enemy's now a little madman

A homemade nuclear bomb reportedly had been hidden somewhere in the vast network of buildings of the National Engineering Laboratory in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Trained federal agents scurried up and down the maze of corridors with radiation counters in a frantic search for the concealed weapon.

Overhead, helicopters carrying similar instruments flew in search patterns.

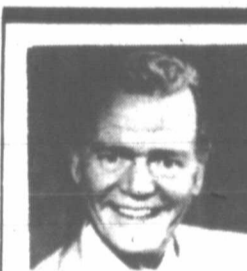
Our country's first Nuclear SWAT Team, an elite corps of 200 weapons experts called NEST (for Nuclear Emergency Search Team), had swung into action.

They were seeking a crude nuclear device that political terrorists said they had hidden in a building on the grounds. The ransom note demanding millions of dollars threatened to detonate the bomb.

It took the NEST team four hours to find the weapon. But it was more sophisticated than they'd expected. How to defuse the weapon without detonating it?

Several NEST members advised, "Give the terrorists the money they want if they'll tell us how to disarm this thing!"

Others heatedly disagreed.



Paul Harvey

Teletype and telephone messages flashed between Washington and Idaho. Experts finally concluded that there was a way — a very dangerous way — to disarm the weapon.

The solution? Blow up the whole building and smash the bomb into a thousand pieces before its own triggers could produce a nuclear fireball.

Hurriedly the NEST team circled the building with a ring of heavy truck to absorb the shock wave and to stop much of the radioactive pollution which a conventional explosion would produce.

That decision was made in August, 1977. It

was part of a terrifyingly realistic "war game." There was no bomb. There was no contamination.

But our military thus sought to anticipate and duplicate what terrorists could do with an atomic weapon — and to intercept it.

It could be a demented genius.

Or it could be a chip-on-the-shoulder Palestinian with a distraught psyche. After all, with presently "open literature," a schoolboy can build an atomic bomb.

Bacteriological and chemical weapons pose an even more ominous threat. Any first-year chemistry student knows how a handful of chemicals could poison a reservoir.

Any undergraduate biologist knows how 150,000 people could be sterilized overnight and they might not know about it for 20 years.

Some Americans have been anxious because our scientists are openly "trading secrets" with scientists from China and the Soviet Union. Maybe it's best that they know what we know and vice versa. Because our greater enemy has now become "someone else" — the madman with a little learning.

## Central America brims with deceptions

By ROBERT WALTERS

WASHINGTON (NEA) — When dealing with the increasingly incendiary situation in Central America, it's important to understand that none of the nations involved in this shabby affair is telling the truth.

Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega publicly proclaimed in mid-March that his nation's military forces had not crossed into Honduran territory — a preposterous claim refuted by both Ortega's own deputies and this country's intelligence agencies.

Honduran President Jose Azcona persists in trying to perpetrate the myths that there are no contra bases in his country and that his government is observing the terms of a Central American peace treaty banning outside assistance to the rebel forces.

And in the United States, senior members of the White House staff purposely deceived both congressional leaders and the public by claiming in mid-March that no decision had been made to send troops to Honduras hours after President Reagan elected

precisely that course of action.

Nicaragua's behavior is inexcusable. A duplicitous Ortega proclaims his fervent commitment to a negotiated settlement of hostilities in the region while simultaneously launching a major military offensive against the contras.

But we hold this country's leaders to a higher standard than we apply to petty despots — and Reagan's obsession with toppling the Ortega government has led to ceaseless, unwarranted intervention in another nation's internal affairs.

Indeed, there is a sense that the president has become haunted by the vision that next Jan. 20 he will leave office but Ortega will remain in power — an outcome Reagan cannot abide.

Thus, we have the spectacle of Secretary of State George Shultz acknowledging in testimony before a congressional committee that the idea of dispatching troops to Honduras originated in Washington rather than in Tegucigalpa, the Honduran capital.

Unofficial but apparently reliable chronologies indicate that Azcona's request for assistance arrived in Washington long after Reagan decided to airlift 3,200 combat troops to Honduras. Even then, Azcona did not specifically seek military aid but requested only "effective and immediate assistance."

The Reagan administration's years of politico-military legerdemain in dealing with Central America have left many observers suspicious of virtually all White House motives and actions in the region.

Thus, skeptics note that Reagan's decision to send troops to Honduras was conveniently timed to make headlines on the same day that four leading figures in the Iran-contra scandal — including two senior members of Reagan's National Security Council staff — had been indicted on charges of participating in a criminal conspiracy.

Nicaragua is hardly the only nation in the region whose current government has been targeted for obliteration.

In Panama, the efforts to depose Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, leader of the ruling military junta, have become increasingly blatant.

Noriega is nobody's sweetheart, but the Reagan administration is far more agitated about his alleged involvement in drug trafficking than it is about similar activities on the part of civilian and military leaders in other Central and South American nations.

In that regard, it's worth noting that Panama is one of four members of the Contadora Group, composed of four influential nations (the others are Mexico, Colombia and Venezuela) committed to a peaceful solution to the conflicts in Central America.

Indeed, the group is named for Contadora Island off Panama's coast, where it held founding meetings in early 1983. Encouraging turmoil in Panama can only undermine the indigenous effort to attain a negotiated settlement of the region's strife.

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# Nation

## U.S. hi-tech weapons to Japan; Star Wars cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Armed Services Committee has voted to make some of the Navy's most sophisticated technology available to Japan to help defend western Pacific seas against the Soviet Union.

The decision came Tuesday as the Democratic-controlled panel voted 48-4 approval of a bill authorizing the Pentagon to spend \$299 billion in the fiscal year starting Oct. 1.

The committee also cut President Reagan's request for Star Wars anti-missile spending and his plan to put multiple-warhead MX missiles on western railroads.

By a 46-6 vote, the committee approved the tentative administration plans to go ahead and sell Japan up to four of the Navy's \$1.2 billion Aegis-

class destroyers.

An elaborate array of sensors and radars connected with guns and missiles makes the Aegis the Navy's most sophisticated system of defenses for surface ships.

Japan wants to buy the ships as part of the Japanese role in helping defend vital sea lanes near the Soviet Union.

Some legislators have opposed the move, arguing that the Aegis weapons should remain in the U.S. Navy. Critics have pointed to the case of Toshiba, a Japanese company which has admitted helping in the illegal sale of sophisticated machinery to the Soviet Union to build quieter Soviet submarines.

But Pentagon officials say the Toshiba case involved a private company and they argue that the Japanese government has protected other U.S. tech-

nology.

The committee voted Tuesday to approve only \$3.7 billion for the Strategic Defense Initiative, as Star Wars is formally known. Reagan had sought \$4.5 billion.

In addition, the panel voted to approve \$500 million for research into putting the MX aboard trains, \$300 million less than Reagan had sought. At the same time, the panel increased Reagan's request for spending on the single-warhead Midgetman missile from \$200 million to \$500 million.

The \$299 billion figure for total Pentagon spending was set last December during negotiations between the White House and Congress over the effort to cut federal budget deficits. The agreement eliminated the normal congress-

sional fight over how much total money should be allocated for the Defense Department.

The bill is expected to go to the House floor late in April. The version that eventually passes the House will have to be reconciled with the separate Senate version of the same measure.

The Star Wars decision would result in a deep reduction from original plans. The \$3.7 billion figure would put Star Wars spending next year at about the current level.

Pentagon budget plans last year called for seeking \$6.2 billion in Star Wars money for fiscal 1989, but that was trimmed to \$4.5 billion by Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci as part of a package of cuts he ordered in response to the December agreement.

The dispute over the Midgetman and the MX involves two nuclear weapons at the heart of a 7-year-old fight over Reagan's plans for building up America's nuclear arsenal.

Congress has approved 50 MX weapons for deployment in land-based silos, but the Pentagon wants 50 more for deployment aboard trains. Meanwhile, the Pentagon has been lukewarm toward the Midgetman, a weapon that has been a favorite of congressional critics of the MX.

Carlucci told Congress last month that he thought the Midgetman should be eliminated, but said he had included \$200 million at the request of Congress so the program could be kept alive until Reagan's successor makes a decision next year.

### Journalists return



(AP Laserphoto)

CBS cameraman Ignacio Medrano, center, is helped off a flight at Miami International Airport by an unidentified medical technician, left, and Domingo Rex, a cameraman for NBC, after returning from Panama. Rex received a broken nose when punched by a plainclothes Panamanian police officer. Medrano was also beaten when he tried to intervene.

## Swaggart barred from pulpit for year

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP)—Assemblies of God officials who barred TV evangelist Jimmy Swaggart from preaching for a year say their church has survived a constitutional dispute touched off by the scandal that led to his downfall.

"I believe that the church is strong and I believe that the church is purified and strengthened by this," said Rev. G. Raymond Carlson, the Assemblies' general superintendent.

The Executive Presbytery, which serves as the church's board of directors and is headed by Carlson, announced Tuesday that the fiery Swaggart must stop preaching for at least one year and undergo two years of rehabilitation to remain a minister in the nation's largest Pentecostal church.

Swaggart confessed to unspecified sins during a tearful appearance at his Baton Rouge, La., church on Feb. 21 and stepped down from his pulpit. A prostitute has said Swaggart paid her to pose nude for him.

Carlson said Swaggart "thanked" him and the two said a prayer over the telephone when Carlson gave him the news Tuesday, but they did not discuss whether Swaggart might refuse to accept the terms.

"I will just await word from him. ... It is

very possible he may do that," Carlson said in an interview on ABC-TV's "Nightline."

"If he does not accept, then the Executive Presbytery would no doubt take action to dismiss him," he said earlier.

Swaggart has 30 days to appeal his suspension, according to church bylaws. He could not be reached for comment Tuesday after the decision, but his organization, Jimmy Swaggart Worldwide Ministries in Baton Rouge, La., scheduled a news conference for today.

Swaggart is the latest evangelist to be forced from the pulpit. His accuser, Marvin Gorman, was forced from the Assemblies of God when he admitted to an immoral act with a woman. And Jim and Tammy Bakker were forced from their PTL ministry in a scandal that included a sexual encounter between Bakker and young female follower.

According to the terms of rehabilitation, Swaggart must stop preaching and distributing videotaped sermons that reach a worldwide audience for at least one year, and undergo counseling and supervision by church elders for two years.

Swaggart's preaching may be limited during the second year of his suspension, church

officials said.

Carlson said the rehabilitation formula announced Tuesday was the same plan recommended last month to Louisiana district officials, who had urged only a three-month suspension and resisted the recommendation.

"Basically, he has been caught in the middle of a power struggle between Louisiana and Springfield," said Cliff Jackson, a Little Rock, Ark., attorney and Assemblies of God member who was involved in mediating the dispute.

Louisiana district officials, who refused comment Tuesday, have close ties to Swaggart's multimillion-dollar church, television and Bible school enterprise.

The Louisiana district had recommended that Swaggart be barred from preaching for three months during a two-year rehabilitation.

Louisiana officials were unswayed by arguments that every other Assemblies minister who had confessed to moral failure had been barred from the pulpit for at least a year. They apparently began then to question the Executive Presbytery's authority in ministerial matters.

## Worker notice bill first big labor loss in Senate

WASHINGTON (AP)—Labor unions have suffered their first major loss in the Senate since Democrats gained a majority in the 1986 election, as senators refused to guarantee warnings to workers facing on-the-job exposure to toxic chemicals.

The Senate's rejection on Tuesday of a bill to require notice for workers exposed to carcinogens and other job hazards ended a string of union victories this congressional session. In earlier industry-labor showdowns, the Senate had approved measures to ban most uses of lie detector tests and require advance notice of plant closings.

Sens. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, and Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., chief sponsors of the worker notice bill, could get only 42 of the 60 votes needed to cut off an eight-day filibuster led by Sen.

Orrin Hatch, R-Utah.

"In this one I've lost," Metzenbaum said afterward. "But as long as workers are kept in the dark about occupational hazards, we will continue to try to bring them light."

Majority Leader Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., had indicated earlier he would turn the Senate's attention to other legislation if its supporters could not muster at least 55 votes Tuesday. He did so immediately.

Opponents of legislation often use a filibuster to continue debate indefinitely and effectively defeat a bill that otherwise might win Senate passage.

Unlike an up-or-down vote on a bill itself that requires a simple majority — 51 votes if all 100 senators are present — breaking a filibuster to cut off debate requires 60 votes.

### Home sales rise; stocks rally

By The Associated Press  
A pair of upbeat economic reports, a more stable dollar and lower interest rates have lifted the stock market out of its slump.

The government reported Tuesday that its chief economic forecasting gauge, the Index of Leading Indicators, posted a 0.9 percent increase in February in a performance which analysts said should lay to rest fears of a 1988 recession.

There also was good news on sales of new homes. They shot up

20.3 percent in February — the biggest monthly gain in almost two years — after falling for three straight months.

The positive economic reports helped spark a broad-based rally in stocks. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials rose 18.57 points to 1,998.34, following steep declines last Thursday and Friday and a slight gain Monday.

About 13 stocks rose in value for every six that fell on the New York Stock Exchange, with 1,015 up, 467 down and 482 unchanged.

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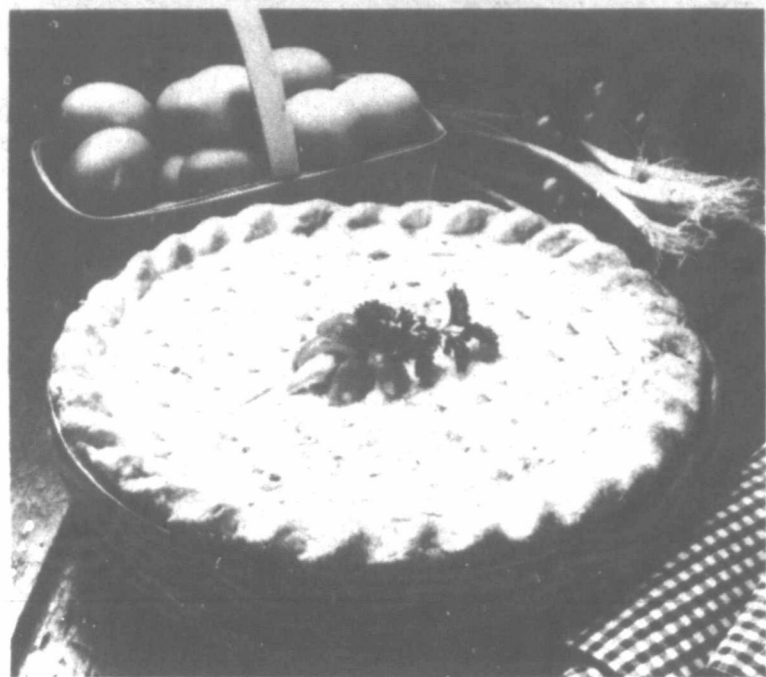
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# Food



Buttermilk is substituted for light cream or whole milk to make a quiche with a creamy texture and fewer calories.

## Buttermilk quiche has fewer calories

By NANCY BYAL  
Better Homes and Gardens  
Food Editor

Even if you think you don't like the taste of buttermilk, you'll enjoy this quiche. Buttermilk gives a rich, creamy texture without the calories of light cream or whole milk. A cup of buttermilk has 100 calories—the same as a glass of 1-percent milk—and just as much protein and calcium.

### BUTTERMILK QUICHE

- One 9-inch frozen unbaked deep-dish pastry shell
- 3 slightly beaten eggs
- 1 cup buttermilk
- Dash pepper
- 1 cup drained cooked vegetables or one 8-ounce can mixed vegetables, drained
- 1 cup shredded American cheese (4 ounces)
- ½ cup diced fully cooked ham or Canadian-style

## Strawberry shortcake becomes trifle

By NANCY BYAL  
Better Homes and Gardens  
Food Editor

Simply sensational, this strawberry dessert has just five ingredients. Make it a day ahead so the cake can absorb the sweet strawberry juices.

### STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE TRIFLE

- 1 pint fresh strawberries
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 cups homemade or canned vanilla pudding
- One 3-ounce package cream cheese, softened
- 2 cups ½-inch shortcake or pound cake cubes

Hull and slice 1 cup of berries; arrange along side of clear straight-sided 1½-quart bowl or dish. Place remaining berries in blender container of food processor bowl; add sugar. Cover and blend or process until pureed.

In mixer bowl beat pudding and cream cheese with electric mixer on medium speed until combined. Place half the cake in the bottom of the dish. Pour half the pureed berries over cake and top with half the pudding mixture. Repeat with remaining cake, puree and pudding mixture. Cover and chill for up to 24 hours. Before serving, top with additional strawberries, if desired. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 270 cal., 6 g pro., 39 g carbo., 11 g fat, 64 mg chol., 221 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 48 percent vit. C, 13 percent riboflavin, 12 percent calcium, 13 percent phosphorus.



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## Lasagna rosettes will feed two people

By NANCY BYAL  
Better Homes and Gardens  
Food Editor

There's no layering to this great-tasting two-serving lasagna variation. Just coil the noodles loosely to form rosettes and fill the spaces with a savory turkey mixture. You also can substitute ground beef or ground pork for the turkey.

### FLORENTINE LASAGNA ROSETTES

- One 10-ounce package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
- 2 lasagna noodles (2 ounces)

- 2 single-serving envelopes instant cream of chicken soup mix
- 1 cup hot water
- ½ cup shredded Swiss or Colby cheese

- 8 ounces ground raw turkey
- 2 tablespoons chopped onion
- ¼ teaspoon dried thyme, crushed

Squeeze excess liquid from spinach; set aside. Cook lasagna

noodles according to package directions; drain. In a small saucepan combine soup mix, water and cheese. Heat over medium heat until well blended and cheese is melted; remove from heat.

In a medium skillet cook turkey and onion until meat is no longer pink and onion is tender. Drain. Stir in spinach, thyme and half the cheese mixture. Mix well.

Meanwhile, halve lasagna noodles lengthwise. In a greased baking dish curl each half into a rosette about 2½ inches in diameter. Spoon turkey mixture into rosettes. Spoon remaining cheese mixture over rosettes. Bake, covered, in a 350-degree oven for 25 to 30 minutes or until heated through. Makes 2 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 386 cal., 37 g pro., 36 g carbo., 10 g fat, 97 mg chol., 1,002 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 188 percent vit. A, 14 percent vit. C, 29 percent thiamine, 42 percent riboflavin, 45 percent niacin, 37 percent calcium, 39 percent iron, 47 percent phosphorus.



Lasagna noodles are curled into rosettes and filled with a mixture of turkey, ground beef or ground pork. This two-serving variation is topped with a cheese sauce.

## Use shortcut for creamed vegetable dish

By NANCY BYAL  
Better Homes and Gardens  
Food Editor

### PEAS AND ONIONS AU GRATIN

- One 16-ounce package loose-pack frozen peas and pearl onions
- 2 ounces reduced-calorie soft-style cream cheese (½ cup)
- 2 tablespoons milk
- ¼ to ½ teaspoon cracked black pepper
- 1 clove garlic, minced, or ¼ teaspoon bottled minced garlic
- ½ cup herb-seasoned croutons

In a medium saucepan cook vegetables in small amount of boiling water, covered, for 3 to 5 minutes or until just tender; drain. Stir in cream cheese, milk, pepper and garlic. Cook 2 to 4 minutes or until heated through, stirring frequently. Transfer to serving bowl; sprinkle croutons on top. Makes 4 servings.

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# Lifestyles

## 1988: Year of the Dairy Cow

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Americans are going cow crazy. Cow figures are turning up on everything from mugs to T-shirts to sheets. There are fluffy toy Holsteins for hugging and wooden Holsteins to serve as doorstops. You can order cow stuff from virtually every direct mail gift catalog, including cow ties, cow sweaters and cow notepads.

"Our dairy farmers are honored that their beloved cows are in such demand," said Louis Calcagno, dairy farmer and chairman of the National Dairy Board. "It seems that cow paraphernalia is hot."

According to Ted Tamarkin, designer for New York-based giftware company H.J. Stotter, Inc., when cow items turned up in droves at the New York Gift Show, owner H.J. Stotter celebrated sixth sense picked up the cow trail. One of the nation's premier trend spotters for specialty items, Stotter picked a winner. "Now they're definitely in," confirmed Tamarkin.

Advertising Age is calling this year a bull market for cows, noting that the gentle creatures have pushed dinosaurs aside on the marketing merry-go-round. You can even "adopt a cow" on Suzanne and Steven Panagakos' 180-acre farm in Hopkinton, R.I. "Parents" receive adoption certificates and are allowed to name their adoptees, visit them once a month and throw birthday parties for them.

All of his heifers, says Panagakos, have been signed over, and there are expectant parents on his waiting list. "We just can't keep up with the demand," he said.

If you thought Cabbage Patch dolls were once an investment, take heed — cows cost between \$250 and \$400 to adopt.

Currently, the best-selling greeting card in Boston's Rainbowworld Cards line is a Holstein wearing heart-shaped shades. Hallmark offered a cow valentine this year.

Trend or no trend, cows are everything for Arleen Baker and the cross section of people she describes as "city folk, country folk, the upscale sophisticates, the down-to-earth, the rich, the poor" who make up her clientele. Everything Cows, Baker's Edgartown, Mass. gift shop, does a brisk business selling everything in cows: clothes, kitchen and bathroom, toy and gift items. Baker sees the trend staying hot for at least a year.

Is it any coincidence that sales of dairy products are also up? The National Dairy Board reports that Americans are eating more cheese, scooping into more ice cream and drinking more milk than ever before. In fact, overall milk product consumption has risen nearly 10 percent over the past three years, an industry record.

"Cows are a basic American animal and dairy is part of a basic American diet," explained Michael Carberry, president of HJK&A, a Washington, D.C. public relations and advertising firm.

"The interest in cows is part of a return to the traditional we're seeing in everything from entertainment to cooking. Fad diets are out. Food-group nutrition is in and dairy products are an important part of basic healthy eating," Carberry said.

Judging from the increase in dairy consumption, along with the distinctive cow-inspired items gathering in gift shops and stores around the country, this could well be the year of the dairy cow. Or, as one spokesperson for the National Dairy Board quipped, "It's a moo-vement."



Cows are appearing on everything from household goods to clothing. Evidence of the moo-vement includes, clockwise from upper left, plastic case, Charles Gourmet, Bethesda, Md.; wooden stand, IKEA, Washington, D.C.; Cow Beach coffee mugs, Cats Pyjamas, Montclair, N.J.; Holstein tie, Horchow Collection, Dallas; and salt and pepper shakers, Cats Pyjamas.

## Doctor's confidential files spring a big-mouthed leak

DEAR ABBY: You printed a letter a while ago about a woman who had had breast reduction surgery and was upset because pictures of her breasts (before and after) were on file at her doctor's office, and she heard that some of the nurses were snickering about them.

It reminded me of my own experience concerning "confidential medical records." When I was 20, I had an abortion. Seven years later when I was pregnant with my first child, my doctor asked if this was my first pregnancy, so I told him about the abortion.

At one of my early prenatal visits, his nurse walked into the examin-

ing room, looked me straight in the eye and said, "So you've decided to keep this one?"

Abby, I was speechless! I'm sorry now that I didn't report her right away to my doctor. Needless to say, never again will I disclose that information on my medical history. Anyone in a doctor's office has access to the patient's records.

Please print this, Abby. I hope that bimbo sees it. And I'd also like to tell her now what I should have said seven years ago: "You don't belong in the nursing profession!"

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it's still bothering you, tell your doctor now. He ought to know that your right to privacy was violated by nurse so-and-so, and you no longer will disclose your full medical history. I have heard that some physicians record highly confidential information in Latin, Spanish,

German or French. Clever? Maybe your doctor should consider it.

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DEAR ABBY: Thank you for your answer to "Life Must Go On" — the woman who wanted to begin dating

six months after the death of her husband. You responded that grief is very personal, and no one can presume to make rules for others in that situation.

My husband of five years died, leaving me with a 7-month-old son. I know that some people were shocked when I met a man four months later, and we were married three months after that.

Abby, I adored my first husband. We both knew that he was going to die, and he made me promise to remarry and give our son a good father as soon as possible. I was fortunate enough to meet and fall in love with a wonderful man who is the best father my son (and now our 3-month-old daughter) could hope to have.

Where is it written that one must mourn alone? It took me a long time

to deal with my first husband's death. Having someone to love, share my problems with and support me made it possible.

I thank God for having married the two most wonderful men in the world. And thank you for your understanding attitude.

LIFE DOES GO ON

DEAR LIFE: Not everyone thanked me. Many held to the traditional: "Out of respect for the deceased, one should wait a full year before taking company of the opposite sex." But I stand by my answer.

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## Pets can be good therapy for troubled owners

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — Pets can help people deal with their problems, psychologist Dr. Janet Ruckert says she has observed in more than two decades of work.

Ruckert, a therapist in the

West Los Angeles area, is founder of the Center for Petcology, where her staff of co-therapists includes two large Rottweilers and two Burmese cats.

Author of the recently published *The Four-Footed Therap-*

*ist: How Your Pet Can Help You Solve Your Problems*, Ruckert said she discovered that when an animal was present during a patient's sessions, the patient could express deep emotions and psychological needs much more

easily.

"Pet therapy is not a substitute for psychotherapy," Ruckert points out, "but the animal's presence offers healing massage, which in turn can open the door for the healing human."

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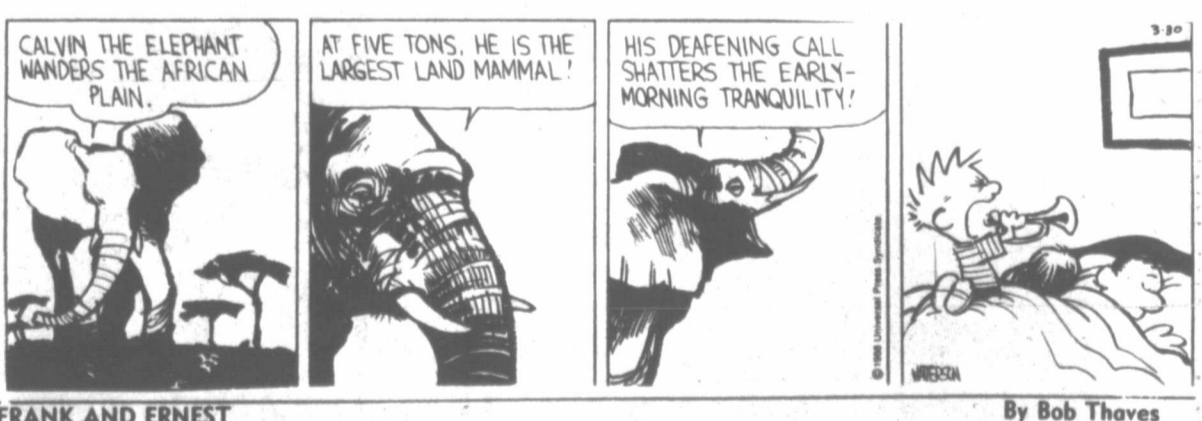
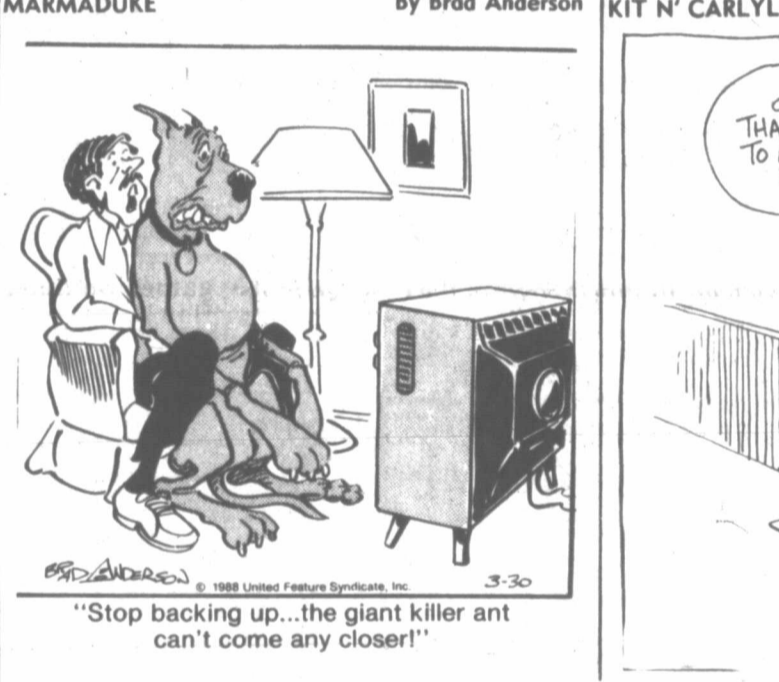
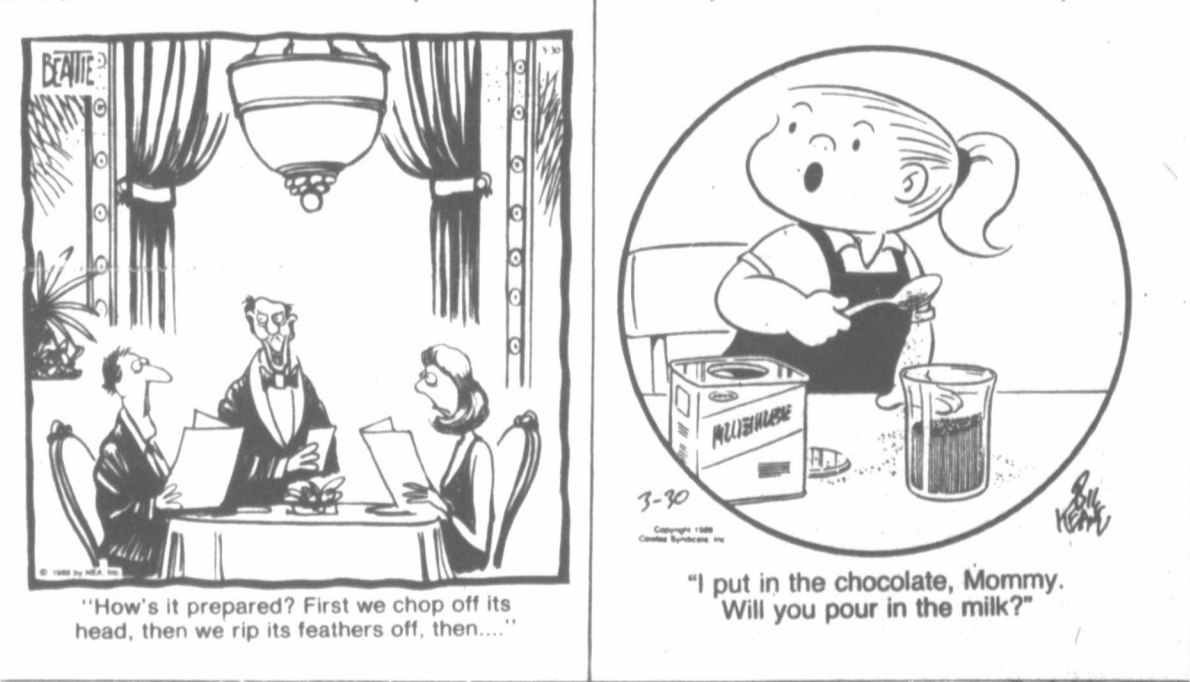
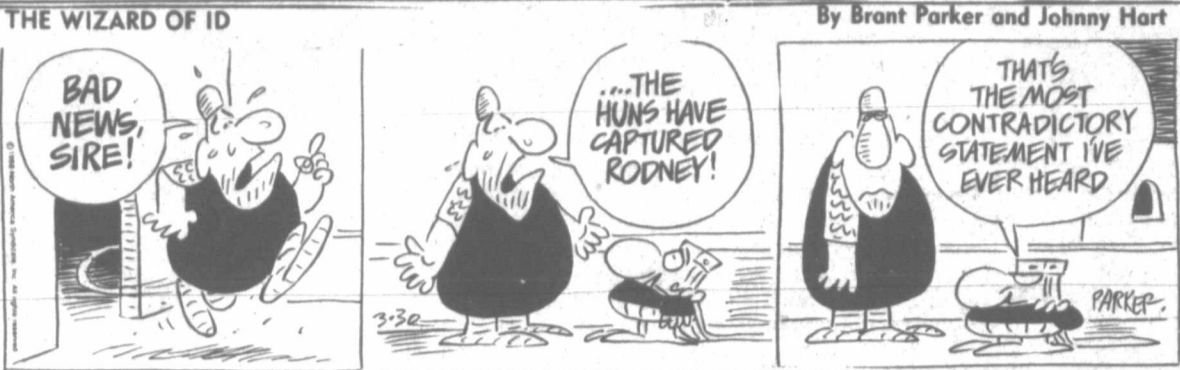
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## Astro-Graph

There are strong indications that you will make a beneficial career change in the year ahead. It will be in the same field of endeavor, but you will be able to move up the corporate ladder more swiftly.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** In career situations where you exercise your own judgment today, the results will be gratifying. You could go as far as relying too heavily on the input of associates. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Matchmaker set can help you understand what it might take to restore the relationship. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** When conversing with friends today, try to be complimentary about a mutual pal who isn't present. This person will later be able to trace unflattering remarks back to their source.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** This could be a pretty nifty day for you. You could be lucky in love as well as materially. Count your blessings in both areas.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Make it a point to overlook the little things others do or say today that you find annoying. It's a sure-fire formula for receiving equal consideration.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Seed money may be required today in order to prime the pump for something bigger. Don't be hesitant to spend a dollar if you're assured several in return.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Avoid teaming up with a person today who thinks in petty terms. You need an optimistic partner who sees things on the same scale as you do.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** It looks like you are going to benefit at this time from something in which you only played a small role in developing. Lady Luck will do the heavy work.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Life seldom offers us sure things, and you're well aware of this fact. However, today your hopes and wishes may be based on viable factors.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Self-doubts that initially plague you today will be brushed aside when you spring into action. You're a better doer than a thinker.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Treat today's happenings philosophically, knowing in the back of your mind that everything will eventually work out well. Sow seeds for success.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Financial conditions look good today, so give size priority. Don't settle for minor returns if you have a chance to go for something larger.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Your popularity is beginning to take an upward turn. You will probably have more social commitments on your calendar this week than you did last week.









# Noriega defies Catholic Church call for his resignation

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP) — The Roman Catholic Church joined opposition leaders calling for the resignation of Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, but the strongman remained defiant, saying he will not yield to U.S. aggression.

The church, which called for Noriega's resignation Tuesday, also said it has made preliminary contacts with him and his opposition in a mediation effort aimed at resolving Panama's crisis.

The general, commander of the 15,000-strong Defense Forces and the power behind the civilian government, said in a speech Tuesday night to a Solidarity with Panama conference here that he has no intention of resigning.

"Here it is not one man who is the problem," said Noriega of

what he contends is a U.S.-organized campaign of slander against him. "This is a matter of dignity and conviction involving the entire hemisphere."

Meanwhile, President Reagan met in Washington with top advisers to discuss options for dealing with the Panamanian crisis. A White House spokesman said afterward that no action was imminent.

The country entered its 10th day of a successful nationwide general strike today, and organizers said it will continue until Noriega leaves the country.

In his speech, Noriega condemned the presence of the U.S. helicopter carrier Okinawa at Rodman naval station in what used to be the U.S. Panama Canal Zone on the Pacific end of the

waterway. The vessel passed through the canal Tuesday on its way to its home port, San Diego.

The U.S. Defense Department said in Washington that the passage was "routine." But Noriega called it "a threat and an aggression." There was no immediate indication how long the vessel would stay in the area.

Noriega claimed the United States had spent more than \$100 million in the effort to topple him. "But with all the gold in the world they have not been able to bring this people or this commander or these Defense Forces to their knees," he said, shaking his fist to wild applause.

Delegates from about 25 Latin American and Caribbean countries attended the conference, but few represented governments.

About 400 spectators were on hand in the convention center.

Noriega's forces used a harsh irritant sprayed from water cannons, tear gas and birdshot to break up a march Monday by 10,000 anti-government protesters. Many people were beaten with rubber hoses and dozens were arrested.

Almost all those detained were released by Tuesday. But Carlos Gonzalez de la Lastra, a top leader of the opposition National Civil Crusade, was still held at a military intelligence center early today.

"We have been told by sources in the Defense Forces that he has been beaten," his wife Vilma, contacted by The Associated Press, said.

Gonzalez de la Lastra

apparently was not released with the others because he had been out on bond on a previous sedition charge.

A church spokesman told a news conference Tuesday that Panama City Archbishop Monsignor Marcos McGrath contacted Noriega and the opposition

and the archbishop had "a positive impression" about prospects for mediation.

In a statement, the church said a committee of bishops met with Noriega last week and asked him "to separate himself from his position as soon as possible."

## Army closes Palestine press service

RAMALLAH, Occupied West Bank (AP) — Israel today closed a key Arab information service and its soldiers shot and killed a Palestinian woman and wounded three family members in their home in the occupied West Bank.

Hospital officials said three other Arabs were wounded in clashes today, an annual day of violent protest in the occupied territories.

Israeli officials hoped their ability to control unrest today might signal the end of nearly four months of violent Arab protests.

Eight police officers swept into the Arab-owned Palestine Press Service in east Jerusalem and ordered it closed for six months under 1948 emergency regulations. The service is the only Arab information agency and has been a critical source for journalists since Israel ordered the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip closed Monday.

The move was one of several measures taken by Israel in an effort to block major rioting to mark Land Day, an annual day of demonstrations against Israeli land confiscation. Six Arabs were killed in a Land Day protest 12 years ago.

An extra 4,000 police were stationed today in Israel's Arab sectors, including traffic police placed on riot duty.

Telephone lines to Gaza remained severed, troops warned on loudspeakers that curfew violators would be shot and Gaza and the West Bank were closed to most outside traffic. Only the territories' 65,000 Jewish settlers were permitted to travel freely.

The tight security failed to prevent a clash in Deir Abu Mashal, a West Bank village 20 miles northwest of Jerusalem, according to hospital officials and a report by the Palestine Press Service made moments before it was closed.

Troops entered the home of Wajalah Rabir, 50, while she and her family were eating breakfast, and fatally shot her in the head, Ramallah Hospital officials told The Associated Press in a telephone interview.

A visitor to the hospital quoted Mrs. Rabir's 17-year-old daughter Zeinab as saying the soldiers came in and asked if there were any men in the house.

The visitor said the girl told the troops no men were home, but they entered anyway. The visitor, who spoke on condition of anonymity, quoted the girl as saying a soldier shot one brother who started to run. Other family members then lunged toward the troops who opened fire on the family.

The hospital officials said Mrs. Rabir was killed and her husband and two sons were shot and in serious condition. The officials, who have been banned from speaking to journalists, insisted on anonymity.

The army confirmed the woman was killed and three people were wounded.

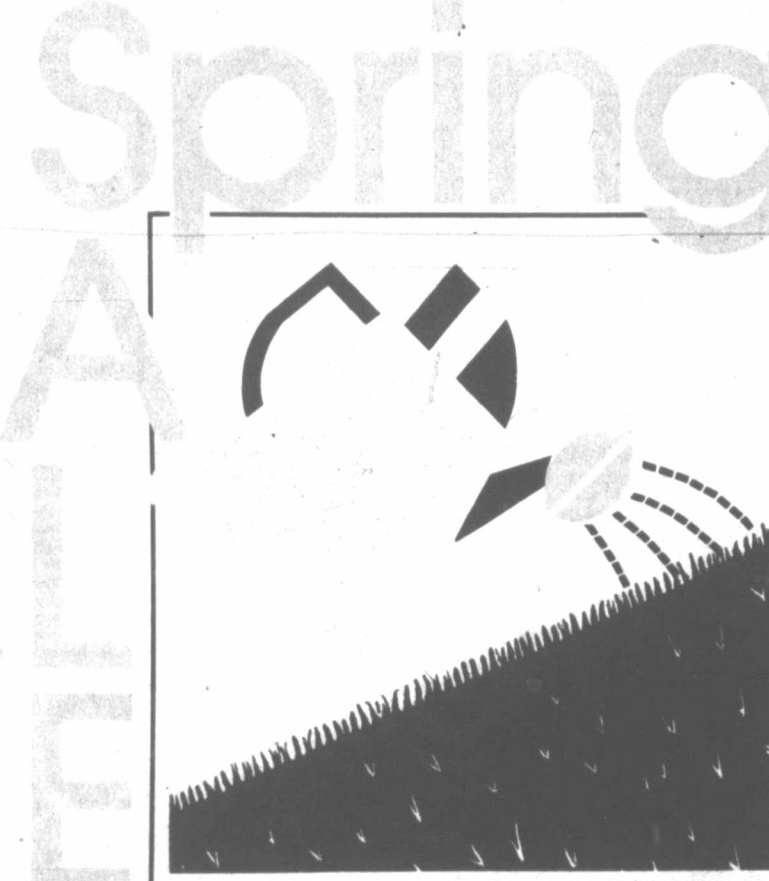
The fatality brought to 120 the number of Palestinians who have been killed by Israelis since the unrest in the occupied lands began Dec. 8, according to U.N. figures. One Israeli soldier was also killed during that time.

Three other Palestinians were wounded today in the West Bank — one in a clash near Betinuya, a small village south of Ramallah, and two, including a 12-year-old girl, in Sair near Hebron, hospital officials said.

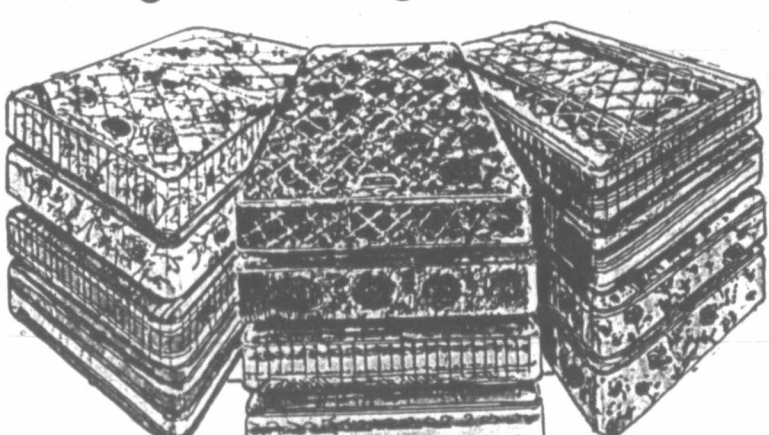
In New York, the U.N. Security Council scheduled an urgent, Arab-requested meeting for today on the unrest. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar expressed "acute concern" over the continued killing of unarmed Palestinians.

Ibrahim Kareen, publisher of the Palestine Press Service, called the closure order "another act of repression. Israeli officials are trying to impose a complete blackout on what is happening in the occupied territories."

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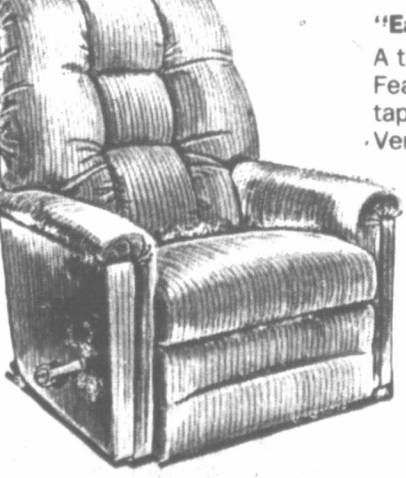


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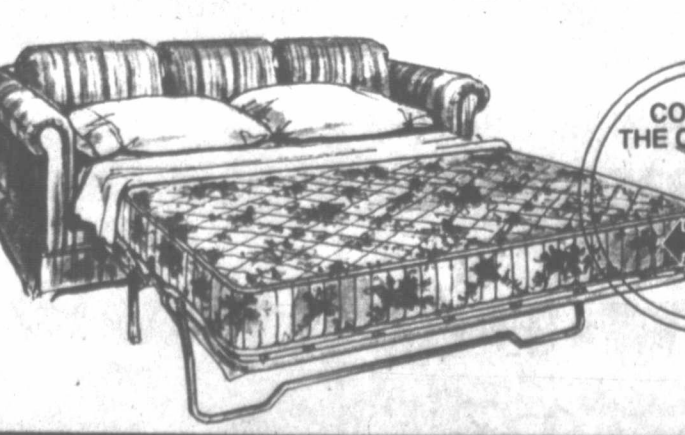
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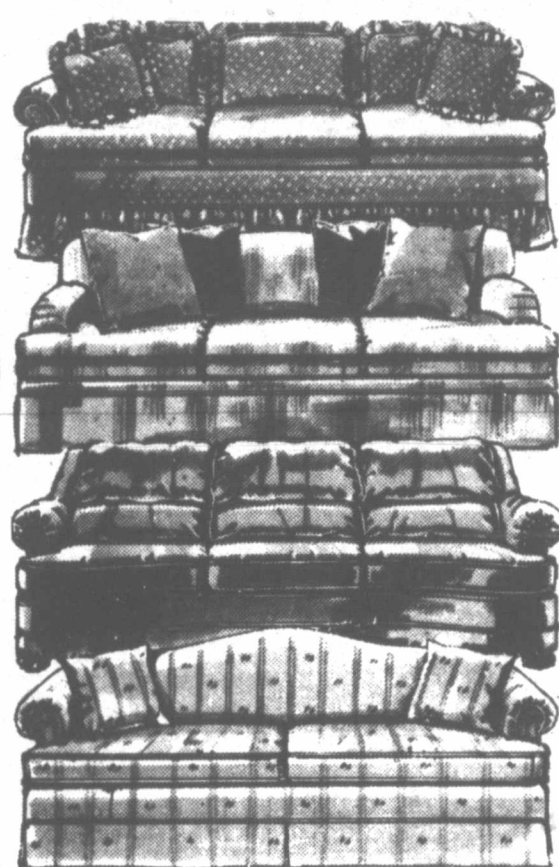
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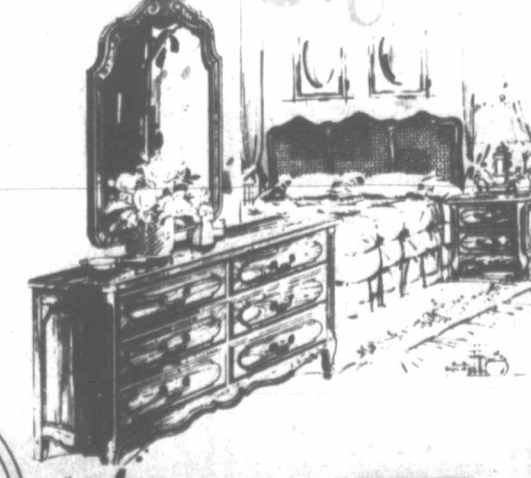


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