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#### ambassador's car chase U.S.

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP) - A Panamanian military vehicle with its siren blaring chased the car of U.S. Ambassador Arthur Davis for two miles in an incident the U.S. Embassy called

The Panamanian government claimed the chase began when one of its police officers spotted three cars of armed men following the diplomat's vehicle.

The chase on Sunday brought an abrupt end to a calm Easter holiday and ushered in a week of uncertainty for Panamanians.

A Roman Catholic Church offer to mediate an end to the country's political crisis was set to expire at midnight tonight, while 1,300 American troops and military personnel are due to arrive on

Embassy spokesman Terence

EDNEYVILLE, N.C. (AP) — A

man accused of killing three peo-

ple and wounding his ex-wife and

two others at a church funeral

apparently was upset over a land

dispute involving his former in-

laws, authorities said.

Three killed, three

at church funeral

wounded in shooting

Kneebone said Davis was leaving the home of Vatican Ambassador Jose Sebastian Laboa when the Panamanian vehicle "began following immediately, picking them up right outside the gate." He said it tried to stop the chauffer-driven car with its lights and

"The ambassador's driver, in accordance with instructions, did not stop. The ambassador was driven to his residence and the other vehicle followed all the way," Kneebone said. The residences are about two miles apart.

"We consider this serious," Kneebone said. He declined to comment on what security provisions Davis had but said they were normal under the circumstances. No weapons were display-

Embassy vehicles are clearly reach U.S. Embassy officials for marked with special license reaction. plates

A communique signed by Minister of Justice Rodolfo Chiari de Leon said the incident began when a police sergeant saw civilians in three vehicles following the ambassador with "an exaggerated display of automatic arms.

'We do not want to think that they are fabricating false accusations against our armed forces to justify an announced invasion of Panama and we reiterate the intent of the Panamanian government to protect the life and property of residents and foreigners, including North Americans," it

Because the statement was issued late Sunday night, it was

Earlier Sunday, Kneebone said

Davis had gone to pay his respects on Easter to the papal nuncio, who is dean of the diplomatic corps in Panama.

Sunday's edition of the government-run newspaper La Republica quoted a number of progovernment labor leaders as urging Panamanians to prepare for an American invasion when the additional troops begin arriving Tuesday

The U.S. Defense Department announced the additional troops would be deployed to improve security at U.S. military installations in Panama. About 10,000 troops are stationed at the U.S. Southern Command. Pentagon not immediately possible to officials said more troops may be

sent if they are deemed neces-

Eric Arturo Delvalle, in hiding since he was ousted from the presidency after he tried to fire Noriega on Feb. 25, has called for the United States to intervene militarily and remove the general. Noriega is under indictment in the United States on federal drug trafficking charges

Monsignor Marcos Antonio McGrath, the archbishop of Panama City, agreed to requests by several foreign governments to act as mediator, and several opposition leaders said they would back the plan under certain conditions.

McGrath set a midnight deadline for all parties to agree to the plan or the offer would be withdrawn. The government has not responded.



Michael Leslie Rainey, 41, was arrested Sunday without incident near the Mountain Home Baptist Church. Authorities recovered a handgun and a shotgun in the parking lot, said Henderson County Sheriff's Capt. Tom Hatchett Rainey was held without bond

in the Henderson County Jail, pending a first-appearance hearing today.

Witnesses say Rainey walked into the church on Easter Sunday to view the body of Effie Collins Justice, the grandmother of his ex-wife, Andrea Rainey, and left. Mourners in the church then heard gunshots.

"The funeral was just getting eady to start," said Lester Justice, Mrs. Justice's nephew. 'They had just closed the coffin. The family had just arrived and had gotten out of the car when I heard several shots fired.

'We began to hear more gunfire, a shotgun and pistol both. Someone said a man was out there shooting the family. I didn't know whether he would come inside if he was after anybody else or not.

Hatchett said Rainey retrieved the weapons from the trunk of his car and opened fire, killing his wife's parents, Wilford Owensby. 61, and Ponnelle Owensby, 60.

Also killed was Scott Bowles, 24. It was not immediately known whether Bowles was related to

Three people were wounded, including Mrs. Rainey, 40, of Kennesaw, Ga., authorities said.

Witnesses say Mrs. Rainey sped away from the church after the shooting in her Ford sedan, which was riddled with bullet holes. She reached the Hendersonville city limits before authorities stopped her. They transferred her and two other wounded women from the blood-stained car to ambulances

Mrs. Rainey, who is also the granddaughter of Mrs. Justice, was listed in good condition with bullet wounds in her neck, said Mary Ann Morris, spokeswoman for Margaret Pardee Hospital in Hendersonville.

Sheila Johnston, 30, of Fletcher, wounded in the chest, was taken to Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville, where she was in critical condition, nursing supervisor Evelyn Woody said. Mrs. Johnston's daughter, Wendy, 11, was wounded in the leg and was in good condition

The shootings apparently stemmed from a family argument over real estate held in Edneyville, an unincorporated town about 260 miles east of Raleigh, Hatchett said.

Rainey owned land near the church, which is adjacent to property belonging to Mrs. Rainey's family, Hatchett said.

### Springtime and cherry blossoms



Tourists from the United States and overseas enjoy the cherry blossoms, which surround the Tidal Basin, during a balmy Sunday in Washington. Hundreds of thousands

of people are expected to view the pink and white blossoms during the Japanese Cherry Blossom Festival this week

#### Impeachment vote near

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) - Gov. Evan Mecham's stormy political career could be in its last hours today as the state Senate prepares to vote on two impeachment charges against the firstterm Republican.

Attorneys were to give closing arguments as his impeachment trial opened its sixth week. A vote could come late today or Tuesday, lawmakers said.

Mecham, 63, who took office in January 1987, has maintained he is innocent of wrongdoing. He is accused of misusing \$80,000 from the governor's protocol fund by loaning it to his auto dealership and trying to thwart an investigation of an alleged death threat by a state official.

Last week the Senate dismissed a third charge that Mecham

concealed a \$350,000 campaign loan, the subject of the governor's April 21 criminal trial. Some senators said hearing testimony on that allegation could have prejudiced his criminal

However. Democrats acknowledged that the real reason they favored dismissing the charge was to ensure a Senate trial verdict well before the scheduled May 17 gubernatorial recall elec-

A two-thirds vote of the 30member Senate is required for conviction. Lawmakers also could bar Mecham from holding any future public office. If convicted, Mecham would become the seventh U.S. governor removed from office by impeach-

### Golf course decision due Tuesday

A proposed public golf course for Pampa will be the talk of the town Tuesday.

At 9 a.m., Gray County commissioners are scheduled to decide whether or not to sign a contract with the city of Pampa, making the proposed course a joint effort. If the agreement is

signed, the county will donate \$300,000, plus lend equipment and labor to the project.

The city would be responsible for bidding on the project, setting water lines and would help with landscaping. City commissioners are scheduled to meet on the contract at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

Members of Pampa Public Golf Association also have volunteered manpower and donations to the project.

The proposed course is planned for an area north of Pampa along Texas Highway 70.

### **Arthur Davis** Soviets ready for Afghan pullout

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Soviets have begun preparations to remove the first of their 115,000 soldiers from Afghanistan despite an impasse in United Nations-sponsored negotiations in Geneva, according to administration sources.

"The intelligence community is unanimous in reporting that preparations for a withdrawal have commenced," said one administration analyst

In the past, the Soviets have removed some peripheral units, such as anti-aircraft batteries, but replaced them with others. The current preparations are of a different character, said the sources, but they declined to give

And they said they could only speculate about the exact time, duration and manner of a Soviet

In a parallel development. Afghan rebel leaders in Pakistan said over the weekend that the United States has stopped supplying them with Stinger antiaircraft missiles.

Mohamad Nabi Mohamadi, leader of the Harekat Islami, one of the seven guerrilla groups fighting communist forces in Afghanistan, said the development comes in apparent U.S. anticipation of a settlement in the

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze has said the Red Army will withdraw from Afghanistan even if Afghan and Pakistani negotiators fail to reach agreement at United Nations talks in Geneva.

The talks are stalled over a demand introduced by the United States last December that the Soviets stop aiding the Kabul regime at the same time that Washington stops its covert aid program to the Mujahedeen.

Whether or not an agreement is reached, the Soviets are expected to start a withdrawal by pulling units of their 40th Army from garrisons south of Gardez and from Kandahar, Shinand and Herat in the West, according to administration officials.

These units are the most exposed to attack from a Mujahedeen force estimated by administration analysts to number about

### Two more Arabs killed as Shultz arrives on peace mission

JERUSALEM (AP) - Two more Arabs died in West Bank violence as U.S. Secretary of State George P. Shultz started a Middle East diplomatic shuttle designed to bring about Palestinian selfrule in the occupied territories.

Shultz, who arrived Sunday, said Arabs must be included in peace talks, but underground leaders in the occupied lands have called for a general strike today and demanded that Palestinians avoid meeting with Shultz.

One of the two Arabs killed Sunday was electrocuted when soldiers ordered him to climb a utility pole and take down an outlawed Palestinian flag, the army said. The army identified the man as Khalil Jaber Hamzawy, 18. The incident occurred

in the Askar refugee camp near Nablus, it said. The army also said a 20-year-old Palestinian died trying to attach a Palestinian flag to a power line in the West Bank town of Tulkarem. But Arab journalists claimed soldiers shot him.

A third Arab, Ali Diab Abu Ali, 40, died Sunday of a neck wound he suffered March 30 in the West Bank village of Yatta, Ramallah hospital officials said

The three fatalities brought to 136 the number of Arabs who have died in four months of anti-Israeli protests, according to U.N. figures.

One Israeli soldier has been killed and three civilians died in a bus hijacking inside Israel. During the past week alone, 20 Arabs have been killed and scores more shot by Israeli troops.

Despite the escalation of bloodshed, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Sunday told reporters in Ginat military settlement he plans to tell Shultz that he "saw almost total tranquility in this whole

area. Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who toured a Gaza City neighborhood where soldiers killed three Arabs on Saturday, said that "we are in the process of relaxation. We have not reached the goal yet but we're in the process.

Rabin also said on Sunday the army was employing new tactics to take the initiative away from Arab demonstrators. Army spokesmen said soldiers would no longer ignore demonstrations in remote villages or other locations that did not interfere with traffic or endanger lives.

"Negotiations work," Shultz said upon arriving in Jerusalem from Rome.

"For everything there is a season ... a time to love and a time to hate; a time of war and a time of peace," he said, quoting from the biblical Book of Ecclesiastes. "This is the time and the season to move decisively towards peace.

Shultz said the Palestinians must be included in the talks that are to be based on a 1967 U.N. Security Council resolution calling on Israel to swap

territory for Arab recognition and security. But Shamir, who opposes some key elements of the Shultz peace plan, said he was "skeptical about all the prophecies that the talks will have some

kind of result, a breakthrough."

tional airport.

The Palestine Liberation Organization rejected the proposal that calls for talks on the Palestinian self-rule to start May 1 and on the overall settlement in December. In a statement issued in Tunis, the PLO demanded a role in peace talks

And the PLO-affiliated underground leadership of the Palestinian uprising called in a leaflet last week for a general strike today to protest the Shultz visit. "We tell everybody to boycott any meetings with Shultz," it said.

Shamir rejected Shultz's call for an international conference to launch the peace talks, saying Shultz had to "convince me" of the need for such a

conference instead of direct talks. Shamir's political rival and coalition partner, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, supports the Shultz plan. "It is our duty to provide the green light," he told Shultz at the Ben Gurion Interna-

### Daily Record

#### Services tomorrow

CHRISTIAN, Louis Edwin — Graveside, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery. KENADY, Harold S. — 3 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Wheeler. LILE, Glenn McKinley — Graveside, 2 p.m., Shamrock Cemetery SMITH, Raymond Roscoe — 3 p.m., First Baptist Church, McLean.

#### **Obituaries**

#### JESSE B. GOAD

Graveside services for Jesse B. Goad, 66, who died Sunday, will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Fairview Cemetery with Dr. Darrel Rains, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Goad was a member of First Baptist Church and a resident of Pampa since 1922. He served in the United States Marine Corps in World War II. He was employed by Pampa Police Department for 18 years and by Gray County Sheriff's Office for two years.

Survivors include two daughters, Peggy Goad of White Deer and Kathleen Dossey of Casper, Wyo.; one son, Danny Goad of White Deer; three sisters, Jane Smith of Melrose, N.M., Patricia Goad of Pampa and Leta Louise Jones of Las Vegas, Nev.; one brother, Michael Goad of Pampa; and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be to Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens and Pampa Sheltered Workshop

**LOUIS EDWIN CHRISTIAN** Graveside services for Louis Edwin Christian,

59, who died Sunday, will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. M.B. Smith, retired Baptist minister from Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors

Mr. Christian was a Pampa resident for 51 years. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean

Survivors include his mother, Viola Bybee of Pampa; two sisters, Dorothy Brown and Freeda Whitson, both of Pampa; one brother, Francis Christian of Pampa; and several nieces and nephews.

THELMA G. WIGGS

PANHANDLE — Thelma G. Wiggs, 82, mother of a Skellytown woman, died today.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Wiggs moved to Panhandle in 1958 from Vernon. She married Cecil Wiggs. He died Jan. 2, 1977. She was a member of First Baptist Church of

Survivors include three daughters, Margie Lea Ensey of Panhandle, Myrtle Mae Ensey of Mesquite and Jean Monk of Skellytown; one son, W.C. Wiggs of Abilene; one brother, C.M. Neugent of Purcell, Okla.; five sisters, Chris Neely of Frederick, Okla., Georgia Amaya and Ida Tolbert, both of Dallas, Mrs. Arlin Brown of Canton and Dona Plumtree of Lawton, Okla.; 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

GLENN McKINLEY LILE

VERNON — Graveside services for Glenn McKinley Lile, 86, a former Shamrock resident, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Shamrock Cemetery with the Rev. Mike Chancellor, pastor of First Baptist Church of Shamrock, officiating

Arrangements are by Richerson Funeral Home of Shamrock.

Mr. Lile died Saturday at Wichita Falls.

He was born at Thomas, Okla, and moved to Vernon from Shamrock in 1965. He retired from Lone Star Gas Co. in 1967. He was married to Jewell Estelle Mason in 1925 at Wheeler. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Shamrock.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Bob Lile of Lubbock: two daughters. Iris Lee Batson of Dallas and Theresa Glenn Lile of Denver City; three granddaughters and one great-grandson

#### HAROLD S. KENADY

WHEELER — Funeral services for Harold S. Kenady, 75, who died Sunday, will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday in First United Methodist Church. Burial is pending with Wright Funeral Home.

Mr. Kenady, born at Cottonwood, moved to Asperment as a child. He was married to Eloise Wilson in 1937 at Jayton. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran.

He served as county clerk of Stonewall County from 1946 to 1953. He moved to Wheeler in 1953 and owned and operated Wheeler Abstract Co. until his retirement in 1973.

He was a member of the board of First Methodist Church, and also served as church treasurer for several years. He was a member of Wheeler school board for 15 years and a member of American Legion.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Harold Arden Kenady of Amarillo; one daughter, Sidney Ann Thomason of Irving; one brother, Dallas Kenady of Jayton; three sisters, Elizabeth Teaver and Margaret Brandenburg, both of Plainview, and Evelyn Maples of Taft; and five grand-

#### **Arrests**

Arrests SUNDAY, April 3

Lazaro Rosalez, 33, 216 E. Tuke, was arrested in the 300 block of South Tignor on a charge of driving while intoxicated and cited for several traffic violations. He was released on bond

Thomas Joseph Carpenter, 22, 312 N. Warren, was arrested in the 900 block of East Frederic on a charge of public intoxication. He was released on cash bond

Grover Lee Mack, 24, of Shamrock, was arrested in the 700 block of North Hobart on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Melvin Lester Simpson, 62, of Shamrock, was arrested in the 700 block of North Hobart on a charge of public intoxication. Thomas Brookshire, 46, 209 N. Starkweather,

was arrested in the 800 block of West Brown on a charge of public intoxication. David G. Coon, 63, no address, was arrested in the 800 block of West Brown on a charge of public

intoxication. Arthur L. McCampbell, 56, 1013 Varnon, was arrested at his residence on a charge of assault.

He was released on a \$210 bond. Gary D. Wainscott, 34, 409 N. Dwight, was arrested in the 400 block of North Dwight on a charge of disorderly conduct.

#### Hospital

**CORONADO** HOSPITAL Admissions

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James Perry, Pampa Sonya Slaybaugh and baby girl, Pampa Joy Turner, Pampa **SHAMROCK** HOSPITAL **Admissions** 

Joe Chambers, Wellington Blanche Vaught, Gladys Hobbs, Shamrock

Dismissals Kathleen Hefley Shamrock Larry Dannin Irlbeck, Amanda Barton, Shamrock Faith Barlow, Sham-

#### Calendar of events

PAMPA SINGLES ORGANIZATION Pampa Singles Organization will have a birthday/game night beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 at 518 N. Nelson. For more information. call 665-4740.

PAMPA PARENT SUPPORT GROUP Toughlove is a self-help program for parents troubled by children's behavior, used by Pampa Parent Support Group, which meets at 7 p.m. each Tuesday in the library of Pampa High School. Parents who are not satisfied with their home lives are welcome to attend; confidentiality

CHAPTER #65, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR Pampa Chapter #65, Order of the Eastern Star, will honor their past matrons and patrons at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5.

is stressed. For more information, call 669-2786 or

#### Police report

The Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

FRIDAY, April 1 Debbie Ann Mojica, 520 W. Faulkner, and Campos Rerese, 901 S. Wynne, reported they were assaulted in the 300 block of South Houston. No arrests had been made in connection with the incidence at press time Monday SATURDAY, April 2

Pampa Police Department reported a minor in possession at 800 block of East Tyng. **SUNDAY, April 3** 

A juvenile was detained in the 300 block of North Hobart on charges of driving while intoxicated. Yolanda McKeen Wainscott, 409 N. Dwight, reported aggravated assault at the residence by a known person

Forest Plunk, 2238 Lea, reported a bicycle found in his yard.

Pampa Police Department reported disorderly conduct in the 400 block of North Dwight.

Connie Davis, 1013 Varnon, reported an assault at her residence by a known person.

A tape case and 59 tapes were found in a vacant lot at 600 Ward.

Debbie Elisa Owens, P.O. Box 2499, reported harrassment

Zetha Parker Dougherty, 522 E. Francis, reported a burglary of the residence

Pat Ickles, 1530 N. Nelson, reported theft at the

An intoxicated driver was reported in the 700

block of North Hobart.

An intoxicated driver was reported in the 500 block of South Tignor.

Francisco Apodaca, 516 Warren, reported a burglary at the residence. A person wanted by the Childress Department

of Public Safety was reported in the 700 block of North Hobart.

#### Minor accidents

FRIDAY, April 1

An unknown driver of a 1981 Chevrolet truck came in collision with a parked van owned by Ed Terry, 620 E. Foster, a parked van owned by Hammons Janitorial Services, a flower bed, a tree and brick wall in the 600 block of East Foster, then left the scene. No injuries were reported. Citations are pending.

SATURDAY, April 2

A 1979 pickup driven by Randall McCoy, Ruidoso, N.M., came in collision with a 1987 Chevrolet driven by Terry D. Coomes, 612 Warren, in the 200 block of North Cuyler. McCoy was cited for failure to yield right of way.

A 1985 Lincoln driven by Frances Kotara Romack, 2428 Christine, came in collision with a parked 1983 Mercury owned by Theresa Nelson, 900 Octavius, in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway. Romack was cited for failure to leave information at the scene of an accident.

A 1974 Buick driven by Ralph Homer Jones, 927 Brunow, came in collision with a 1976 Buick driven by Billie John Rogers, Borger, in the 700 block of North Hazel. Jones was cited for unsafe backing. **SUNDAY, April 3** 

Shannon Reed, 7, 1165 Prairie Dr., received minor injuries when struck by a 1987 Mitsubishi driven by Nicole Nagel of New York, N.Y., in the 500 block of Harlem. Police reported the child apparently ran into the street from between two parked cars. The child was taken to Coronado Community Hospital and treated for an abrasion of the left leg and released, according to hospital

#### DPS Arrests

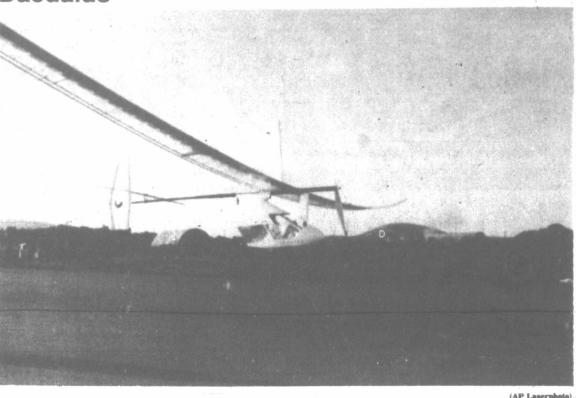
officials. No citations were issued.

Arrests

SUNDAY, April 3

Emma Lue Parsley, 27, Rt. 2, Box 74-A, was arrested on Texas 273, eight miles southeast of Pampa, on a charge of driving while intoxicated, and cited for failure to drive in a single lane and not wearing a safety belt.

#### **Daedalus**



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The Daedalus 88 aircraft, piloted by a cyclist pumping bicycle pedals, during a test flight last week at a military runway outside Heraklion on the island of Crete. The 70pound plane, which has a 112-foot wingspan,

is waiting for calm weather to fly to the island of Santorina in an effort to break the world record for human-powered flight and update the myth of Daedalus.

### Swaggart faces key decision

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Fallen evangelist Jimmy Swaggart, who has been told to decide quickly whether to accept disciplinary action from the Assemblies of God, faces a key decision this week on the future of his embattled ministry, church officials say

Swaggart, whose worldwide ministry is scrambling to overcome financial problems, said through his attorney last week that he will defy an order by the Assemblies of God and return to the pulpit on May 22.

He jumped up to take the microphone during Sunday night's service and gave the most emotional speech he has made since stepping down from the pulpit Feb. 21, pacing like a cat and shouting into the microphone.

'It works! It works!," he said, shaking a Bible

as he does when he preaches. "If there is a reporter here spread the word everywhere. It works!"

The crowd reacted instantly and favorably to his speech, which lasted a few minutes. Swaggart also spoke at the Sunday morning service.

The Rev. Everette Stenhouse, assistant general superintendent for the national church of the Assemblies of God, said Swaggart's appearance at Family Worship Center services would have violated terms of his punishment had Swaggart submitted to the national church's rehabilitation

But because Swaggart has not signed any agreement, he is not under rehabilitation, Stenhouse said in a telephone interview from Springfield,

### Easter service attended by gay rights activists goes off without problems

HOUSTON (AP) — An Easter Sunday church service went off smoothly despite the presence of gay rights activists protesting the exclusion of a musician with AIDS and tuberculosis from the church orchestra.

Ed Young, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, said the activists were welcome to attend the service, which attracted as many as 6,000 people. Between 75-200

#### City Briefs

A MOMENTS Notice has Hairlights to give your hair that sunkissed look with indoor tanning. Monthly tanning \$30. Adv.

**REWARD WINNY** is lost, 5 year old blonde male Cocker Spaniel, 4-2-88. If found please call 665-2511 anytime. Adv.

FRAME SALE Tuesday, Wednesday, 1221 Williston, 9-6. Adv.

20th CENTURY Cotillion Antique Show, M.K. Brown, April 8, 9, 10. Friday, Saturday 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday 1-5 p.m. Adv.

TELEPHONE PIONEER meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday, Telephone Lounge.

said group spokesman Ray Hill. During his Easter message, Young told the congregation of his own brushes with death and the significance of the resurrection of Christ. Early in his ser-

Death, an outbreak of bubonic plague which killed much of Europe's population in the 14th Century.

"I've never heard of an Easter Service opening up with a story of the Black Plague before," Hill said, saying he felt Young was drawing an unmistakable parallel to the current AIDS epidemic

activists attended the service, and projections of how many lives it may claim.

"The Bible teaches us from Genesis to Revelation, we will all die," Young said later. "I was reminding all of us of our own mortality. mon, he referred to the Black

The controversy began March 19 when the musician, who had been hospitalized for tuberculosis, attended a rehearsal of union musicians hired to perform at the church March 27.

Church officials said they asked the musician not to play because his tuberculosis might be contagious, and paid his salary.

#### Stock market

The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation The following show the prices for which these quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.

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#### Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Fair tonight, with a low in the mid-40s and winds from the southwest at 15 to 20 miles per hour. Tuesday will be partly cloudy and cooler with the high to reach the mid-70s and winds from the northwest at 10 to 20 miles per hour and gusty. High Sunday, 75; overnight low, 47.

By The Associated Press West Texas — Fair Monday night and Tuesday. Cooler north Tuesday. Lows Monday night mid 40s Panhandle to near 60 Concho Valley, except upper 30s mountains. Highs

Tuesday mid 70s Panhandle to

lower 90s south, except mid-

90s along the Rio Grande in the

Big Bend.

**REGIONAL FORECASTS** 

North Texas - Fair Monday night and Tuesday. Lows Monday night 58 to 66. Highs Tuesday 85 to 93.

South Texas - Dense fog extreme south early Tuesday dissipating by mid morning. Cloudy to partly cloudy mornings and partly cloudy afternoon Tuesday. Warmer through Tuesday. Highs Tuesday in the upper 90s west to near 80 coast. Lows Monday night in the 60s except upper 50s Hill Country and near 70 extreme south.

**EXTENDED FORECASTS** Wednesday through Friday

West Texas - Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms most sections Wednesday, otherwise warm through Friday except a slight dip in temperatures Thursday.

The Accu-Weether 5 forecast for 8 A.M., Tuesday, April 5 RAIN SHOWERS BREEZY CLEAR DRY SHOWERS 60 FRONTS 60 Warm © 1988 Accu-Weather, Inc

Panhandle: Highs mostly in 60s and lows in lower 40s. South Plains: Highs mostly in the lower 70s and lows in 40s. Permian basin and Far West: Highs mostly in the 70s and lows in 40s. Concho Valley: Highs mostly in the 70s and lows in 50s. Big Bend: Highs from near 80 mountains to lower 90s valleys and lows from lower 40s mountains to mid 50s on plateaus.

North Texas - A chance of thunderstorms east Wednesday. Mostly fair Thursday and Friday. Turning cooler Wednesday. Highs upper 60s to upper 70s. Lows upper 40s to mid 50s South Texas - Mostly

cloudy Wednesday with scattered showers or thunderstorms, more numerous south central and southeast Texas. A chance of showers or thundershowers extreme south Thursday, otherwise clearing and cooler. Fair skies on Friday. Highs Wednesday in the 80s,

90s lower Rio Grande plains. Highs Thursday and Friday from the 70s north to the 80s south. Lows Wednesday in the 60s, 70s extreme south. Lows Thursday and Friday in the 40s hill country, near 60 extreme south, 50s elsewhere.

#### **BORDER STATES**

New Mexico — Fair Monday night. Lows in the mid 20s and 30s mountains and northwest to the 40s and low 50s east and south. Mostly sunny Tuesday but cooler in the northeast. Highs from the 60s northwest to the 70s and 80s lower elevations east and south.

Oklahoma — Partly cloudy west and fair elsewhere Monday night. Fair west and partly cloudy with widely scattered thunderstorms east Tuesday. Warm and turning cooler most sections Tuesday. Highs Tuesday near 70 panhandle to mid 80s southeast.

## Texas/Regional

## Unwritten rules govern lawmakers' dealings

AUSTIN (AP) — In the Texas House of Representatives, a set of unwritten commandments governs relationships between members

Near the top of the "rules of the jungle," said a lawmaker who asked not to be identified, is: "Thou shalt not mess with another member's re-election.'

But that commandment has been broken in several bitter and divisive 1988 campaigns for the state House and

A heated conversation between two members of the House recently caused a lawmaker's aide to resign, The Dallas Morning News reported.

Donna Poston, an aide to Rep. Keith Oakley, D-Terrell, initially had planned to take a temporary leave of absence to work on the state Senate race of Helen Farabee of Wichita Falls, who wants to succeed her husband, former Democratic Sen. Ray Farabee.

Rep. Charles Finnell, D-Holliday, also is campaigning for the Wichita

After an unfriendly discussion between Oakley and Finnell, Ms. Poston believed she had to permanently resign from Oakley's staff.

"Finnell told Keith he had to fire me, or he would regret it," Ms. Poston said. 'I decided the best thing to do would be

Finnell denied that he threatened Oakley or had implied that Oakley might face an inquiry by the House General Investigating Committee,

which Finnell chairs. Oakley agreed that Finnell issued no direct threat. "But from the conversation, I got the distinct impression that he would be coming after me, any way he could," Oakley said. "It was as direct a threat as it could be, without

Gordon "Doc" Arnold, a former House member and top aide to House Speaker Gib Lewis, said the feud between Oakley and Finnell stems from a breach of the unwritten code of the

"This is a tender subject among the sainted brotherhood of House members," Arnold told The News. "It's a real sensitive thing, because nobody knows your record better than an aide.'

When a former staff member of Rep. Larry Don Shaw, D-Big Spring, went to work several years ago for the opponent of a powerful House committee chairman, two of Shaw's bills were defeated in the following legislative session.

"It's not good politics; it can kill a legislative program," Shaw said.

This year, Shaw finds himself the target of another lawmaker's aide, who is working for his Republican opponent, Troy Fraser

"Now it's a rule with me that when I hire staff, they can't work in legislative campaigns," Shaw said.

"This is a tough enough business without House members providing a place for the gunslingers to roost between campaigns," Shaw said. "It's

hard enough to get anything done in the Legislature without having little hit men scattered throughout the process.

Houston Rep. Paul Hilbert took a direct hit from his former aide, Jane Pullicino, who opposed him in the recent GOP primary. Hilbert managed to win 72 percent of the vote.

"She told people that she was doing all the work and all I did was push the (voting) buttons," Hilbert said.

Every lawmaker can expect opposition sooner or later, Hilbert said.

"But you certainly don't anticipate somebody from the family coming and putting a knife in your back," he said. One of the most bitter races in the 1988 legislative campaign season involves Rep. Al Luna of Houston, a Democrat forced into a runoff election with Harris

another member of the House, Houston Rep. Roman Martinez Luna said Roman Martinez has flag-

County Constable Raul Martinez.

Directing the constable's challenge is

rantly violated the fraternal House

"It's an unwritten rule of the House that you don't run (against) other members. But as far as Roman Martinez is concerned, all the rules are out the window," Luna said.

Rep. David Hudson, D-Tyler, graduated from aide to lawmaker when his boss, former Rep. Bill Clark, unsuccessfully sought election to the Senate.

"Without these kinds of codes, it would result in chaos," Hudson said. "It would destroy the collegial atmosphere of the House, especially during the ses-

Last fall, state GOP Chairman George Strake and several GOP lawmakers took an anti-tax campaign into several Democratic lawmakers' nometowns, including Hudson's.

"After that happened, both Democrats and Republicans told me that is something that just isn't done. It's considered bad form," Hudson said.

## Texans celebrate Easter with services, egg hunts

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By The Associated Press

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Easter sunrise ceremonies and church services drew multitudes of worshipers across Texas on the day considered the holiest day of the year for Christian denominations.

Egg hunts, family gatherings, an adoption conference and a wedding where the groom wore bunny ears and the bride wore a cottontail were some of the other events around the state for the religious holiday, which observes Christ's resurrection following his crucifixion.

An estimated 6,000 people attended a church service Sunday in Houston where scores of gay rights activists protested the exclusion of a musician with AIDS from the church orchestra.

In Mansfield, about 25 miles southwest of Dallas, the spirit of Easter weekend influenced the wedding garb of Karen Claussen and Gene Arrington. The bride and her attendants had cottontails

stitched to their dresses while the men wore rabbit "It was Easter anyway," said groomsman Danny Parker, who introduced the couple last Septem-

ber. "We might as well dress the part." Fort Worth's Arlington Heights United Methodist Church scheduled Easter services in a large tent because the church structure suffered more than \$1.5 million damage in an October fire.

Officials hid more than 10,000 eggs on the Dallas Arboretum grounds for a hunt Sunday.

Also in Dallas, the names of more than 90 children under state care were passed around at the Easter's Child adoption conference. In 1987, more than 1,500 prospective parents learned about adoption and met children who need a home.

The conference was sponsored by 20 companies,

Department of Human Resources.

In Austin on Saturday, city park officials faced a new challenge in crowd control as nearly 2,000 children stampeded Waterloo Park in search of Easter eggs, candy and prizes during the 10th Annual Easter Eggstravaganza

Officials with bullhorns urged children to stay back, but all innocence was lost as a mad rush of egg-hungry 2- to 4-year-olds swarmed into the egg and candy-filled park.

A reenactment of Christ's trial and torture leading up to the crucifixion was staged Friday in San Antonio. Church members posing as Roman soldiers yelled taunts at a man portraying Christ who carried a wooden cross in downtown San Antonio.

Ed Young, pastor of the Second Baptist Church in Houston, said an Easter Sunday service went off smoothly despite the presence of gay rights activists upset that a musician with tuberculosis and AIDS had been prohibited from performing at a recent performance.

Church officials said they asked the musician not to play because his tuberculosis might be contagious, and paid his salary. They said they found out later he had AIDS

Other unionized musicians refused to play in a gesture of sympathy with the musician, and Hill called for Sunday's symbolic protest.

'For someone to make a cause out of a person. I think is really tragic," Young said. "We are interested in this young man who has AIDS, who has

when he was hospitalized, and that the activists. were welcome at the service.

'We invite all to come, I hope that people will come every Sunday morning," Young said.

#### **Tornado damage**



Joe Hart takes a break from repair work Sunday to survey damage from a tornado that swept through his Slidell, La., subdivision Saturday. Hart's wife Sheryl had just left the bedroom shown above before the torarea.

nado tore the roof from their home. It happened during torrential rains blamed for at least one death and widespread damage throughout the metropolitan New Orleans

### 12 private social-service agencies and the Texas More arrests are possible in abduction and gang rape

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Authorities said they will continue to round up suspects in the gang rape of a 19-year-old woman, while townspeople struggled with disbelief that such a sexual assault could

occur in their community. By Sunday, 11 men had been arrested and charged with sexual assault, kidnapping or both in the woman's abduction and rape. The assault occurred in an automobile near where 20 to 30 men were watching an illegal cockfight, officials said.

"I anticipate the typical defense that the victim was willing and consented," said Assistant 229th District Attorney Rodolfo Gutierrez. "But we have a stronger case because other witnesses have corroborated her story, that she was kicking and

According to investigators the woman was abducted a week ago Saturday while walking home alone after attending a party at a relative's house nearby. She was forced into a car driven by four men and taken to a ranch about one mile north of the South Texas community on Texas 44.

Authorites said the men in the car raped the woman and then encouraged men in a shed where illegal cockfights were progressing to make a trip

The woman was held on the hood of a car after attempting to escape, and the sexual assaults continued as a group of men watched, she told author-

A different group of four men took her to another car, where a 12-year-old boy was asleep, drove to another ranch on the outskirts of town and continued the assaults, she said.

The assailants returned the woman to a spot near her home about 3 a.m., she told authorities.

### Official: Experiment will attempt Young said church members visited the man to improve Odessa's harsh water

ODESSA (AP) — An experiment to improve harsh West Texas water that is hard on appliances and tastes bad could begin this fall, officials say. The water from Lake Thomas and Lake Spence

contains more than the federal recommendation of sodium chloride and magnesium.

Solving the problem with a two-stage project using reverse osmosis filtration could begin this fall with a 90-day experiment, said Bob Derrington,

Odessa utilities director. 'We'll look at quality and decide whether to do another study which will pertain to different che-

micals, different processes or different equipment," Derrington said. Ashok Varma, vice president of Dallas-based

CDM, an environmental engineering consultant, said his company recommended the reverse osmosis process for Odessa. The water quality in Odessa right now — the

water is very hard. It has a lot of hard solids in it." Varma said. "When the level is that high, the water doesn't taste very good. It has a salty taste to it.'

The second stage involves adding the filter system to the city's water treatment plant for \$5.4 million, money that could be raised through bond

Varma said reverse osmosis separates water

and solids on a molecular level by allowing water molecules to pass through a membrane filter that prevents larger molecules from passing through. The result would be better tasting water, city

compliance with EPA requirements and slower deterioration of water appliances, Varma said. Despite problems with the water, it is not considered a health hazard, said Jack Schulze, an en-

gineer with the state's water hygiene department. "Maybe if you have kidney problems it wouldn't be good for you and distilled water would be better,

but that's something to be worked out personally with a physician. The state health department recommends that drinking water have a maximum of 1,000 parts per

million of dissolved solids, while the Environmental Protection Agency recommends 500 parts per million, officials say. Odessa's water had 992 ppm of dissolved solids in

the city's water, according to a Texas Department of Health test in August 1987, down from 1,059 in

Total dissolved solids include all the particles in water except the metal. A state health department rating for dissolved solids counts the calcium. chloride, fluoride, magnesium, sodium, sulfate. bicarbonate and carbonate in drinking water.

### New construction won't stop prison crowding

DALLAS (AP) — Plans to increase the capacity of Texas prisons by 65 percent won't solve overcrowding, state officials say.

Voters approved 12,500 new beds last year and next year, state officials plan to ask that facilities for an additional 14,000 beds be built by the end of 1991. But the 26,500 new beds are just a stopgap

measure, said Rider Scott, general counsel and criminal justice director for Gov. Bill "By November 1990, we'll be right back to where we are today, having to slam doors of the prison shut and backing them (inmates)

you would again look for additional capacity. From 1980 to 1987 prison capacity expanded by 50 percent, but the number of new prisoners increased faster, at 113 percent. During those years, Texas fell under a federal court order to ease overcrowding by reducing its prison population by 6,500.

up in county jails," Scott said. "In 1992, then.

Currently, Texas houses 38,500 inmates in 28 prisons. Another 4,000 state prisoners are serving time in county jails as they wait for beds in state facilities.

A 1987 study by the governor's office estimated that 20,000 additional beds would be needed by 1991 and last year the Legislature appropriated \$30 million for the construction of 2,000 units to be operated by private concerns. In November, voters authorized \$213.8 million in bonding authority to build 10,500 But last month, law enforcement officials

meeting at a Texas criminal justice summit concluded the 1987 report underestimated the needs. Not 7,500, but 14,000 beds beyond the first 12,500 would be needed by 1991, the group said.

Scott said that recommendation was expected to become part of the governor's crime package in the next Legislature, and he was optimistic that the construction would be approved. 'This is the largest construction project in

the state's history," said Charles Terrell, chairman of the Texas Department of Corrections board. Now, the number of prisoners released dur-

asked for a drink of water,

ing the year nearly equals the number admitted. In 1987, about 36,000 were admitted and 34,000 were released, Scott said.

Construction projects already approved include two maximum-security, 2,250-bed units in Gatesville and Amarillo; and four 1,000bed regional correctional facilities in Snyder, Dayton, Marlin and Woodville.

Also approved were seven trusty camps housing a total of 1,400 prisoners; and four 500-bed, pre-release centers in Kyle, Bridge port, Cleveland and Venus. Other additional beds will be created by renovation of existing

Construction contracts on three of the trusty camps were awarded in early March. Bids are due April 15 on the Gatesville maximumsecurity facility, and will soon go out for the four 1,000-bed regional centers.

The 14,000 additional beds recommended at the recent Texas Criminal Justice Summit include 8,000 prison beds, 2,000 for a "boot camp" shock probation program and 4,000 set aside for parole violators.

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### Teen-ager accused of swallowing checks

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A teen-ager charged with check forgery is accused of eating some of the evidence when police weren't looking, officials

Officers said the youth ate two of five forged checks on Friday, but said they still have enough evidence to support their case. The 17-year-old boy denied eating the checks,

police said. He was being held in the Bexar County Jail Saturday (Sunday) in lieu of a \$10,000 bond on charges of forgery of five checks, totaling \$1,550. Police arrested him Friday afternoon as he tried to cash a \$275 check drawn on his mother's

account. During questioning at the San Antonio Police Department, the teen-ager filled out forms at a table where two of the checks were sitting in a

clear plastic bag. The boy had his back to a patrolman, who was filling out a report, police said. A detective came into the room, discovered the checks were missing and began looking for them.

According to the police report, the youth then

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#### **Opinion**

### Honey owners get a sweet Congress

All is not sweetness and honey on Capitol Hill these days. That's because Rep. Silvio Conte is threatening to curtail the government's 38-year-old honey support program, a sweetheart deal that actually encourages producers to sting the taxpayers

Echoing farmers' groups across the country, lobbyists for the beekeepers say the program is vital to ensure the survival of their industry. But what they're really trying to ensure is artificially high prices and sizeable profit margins. There's no legitimate reason for taxpayers to be forced to support a program that so obviously benefits one group at the expense of another.

The honey program was begun in 1950 as a way to bolster the industry's sagging profit margins in the wake of World War II. Beekeepers had done well during the war, when sugar was rationed and beeswax was in demand for waterproofing ammunition. When peace broke out, however, competition heated up. The beekeepers turned to the politicians for

Congress devised a plan under which producers could manipulate the marketplace law of supply and demand. When prices were low, beekeepers would give the government honey in exchange for a loan to tide them over. That would restrict supply, which would increase demand — and prices. As prices rose, the producers were to redeem their loans and

put the stored honey up for sale.
Relatively unused during its first 30 years, the program became a bonanza in the 1980s, when foreigners finally woke up to the fact that the American government had created a ready market for lowpriced honey. Honey producers in China, Mexico, Canada and Argentina all decided to take advantage of this, increasing the supply and pounding honey prices to all-time lows.

This boon for consumers was a bust for American producers, who had come to think of higher prices and greater profit margins as a natural right. The producers once again turned to the politicians, one hand writing complaints that foreigners were 'dumping' honey on American markets, the other hand reaching into taxpayers' pockets through the price-support program.

While Congress debated import quotas, honey prices remained low, and more and more American producers simply defaulted on their loans rather than put their honey up for sale. The government was suddenly stuck with tons of honey and little money, spending about \$50 million a year to buy

That's when Conte launched his first attack on the program, in 1986 persuading his colleagues to cap the amount of money that could be lent — and forfeited - by each company at \$250,000. The cap was expected to cut the government's costs in half. Last year, however, as part of that amazing omnibus spending bill passed in December, the cap was removed.

The Agriculture Department estimates that without Conte's cap, unlimited loans and forfeitures will cost the government an extra \$6.1 million over the next four years. Nevertheless, the American Beekeeping Federation is gearing up to fight any reduction of the government's handouts.

Conte says he'd be satisfied if Congress would simply reinstate the cap on loans and forfeitures. That should be the minimum. What Congress ought to do is scrap the price-support program entirely and tell the producers to mind their own beeswax

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### Not the time for a good idea

WASHINGTON - When the White House handed out copies of the privatization report recently, a reporter at the end of the line voiced a cynical question: "Do we really need another doorstop?" It was good for a laugh, but the report, if only Congress would take it seriously, could serve a much better purpose.

In point of fact, the Report of the President's Commission on Privatization runs to only 276 pages. It doesn't weigh enough to stop a door. Its value lies in a number of sensible and generally modest recommendations for transferring certain federal functions to the private sector. Half a dozen proposals have to do with the U.S. Postal Service, and these alone would justify careful consideration of the report as a whole.

The trouble is that in this politically surcharged year, neither Congress nor the press is likely to pay much attention to the commission's findings and recommendations. In the section dealing with postal services, the commission repeatedly emphasizes that shifts toward privatization must take into account the interests of the postal workers. The powerful postal unions, with roughly 680,000 members, can be expected to fight like pit bulls against the proposals

The public ought to take a closer look. Since 1845 the federal government has maintained a monopoly on the handling of letter mail. The USPS insists that it is doing a good job, and it points to surveys that indicate general public satisfaction. If it ain't broke, the saying goes,

Within the Postal Service, both management and labor contend that privatization would be a mistake. Private companies, it is said, would cream off the most profitable services, leaving the government with skimmed milk. Mail would



James J. **Kilpatrick** 

be poorly protected; foreign mail would be delayed; rural areas would suffer.

The forwarding of mail, following a change of address, would present formidable obstacles. Phousands of postal workers — perhaps hundreds of thousands — would be laid off. In the United States, it is said, a postal monopoly is a 'natural monopoly." It cannot be made more

The commission's report addresses these fears and convincingly puts them to rest. Today's postal service is not a monopoly at all. In 1979 "urgent mail" was exempted from the statutes prohibiting private express, with the result that Federal Express last year carried 178 million pieces of mail. The USPS long ago surrendered in the matter of parcel post; the privately owned United Parcel Service now controls 90 percent of the parcel market. Thousands of services, such as the cleaning of postal buildings and the sorting of bulk mail, now are performed under private contract.

The commission recommends that the old private express statutes be repealed, but "there must be a gradual phase-in period with compensation of postal workers and postal management for loss of benefits or earnings." Such a period is politically imperative.

Postal workers are paid an estimated 21 per-

cent above comparable jobs in the private sector. The general idea would be to reduce the labor force by attrition, not by wholesale dismissals. In any event, "employees should be active participants in the decision-making process.

Several restrictive statutes, in the commission's view, should be repealed immediately, without waiting on a phase-in period. The handling of catalogs and junk mail under third-class rates should be made available to private entrepreneurs. By the same token, rural routes should be put up for competitive bids at once. Under existing statutes, it is unlawful to use letter boxes for any item that does not bear postage. This prohibition "is an unnecessary barrier to competition and an imposition on the rights of citizens."

With these changes in federal law, the commission believes a wide variety of private services would spring up. One company might specialize in deliveries within an individual city. The privately owned UPS, Federal Express and Purolator Courier would compete on a national

It needs to be kept in mind that 92 percent of all first-class mail either comes from or goes to businesses. Under the system envisioned by the commission, large mailers would contract with private carriers who offered the best service. After an expensive phase-in period, savings estimated at \$4 billion to \$12 billion would be

Philosophically the proposals are sound. Politically they are extremely difficult. And because politics counts for more than philosophy in Washington, don't hold your breath until the Postal Service goes private. It's a good idea, but its time hasn't come.

#### **Today in history**

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, April 4, the 95th day of 1988. There are 271 days left in the year.

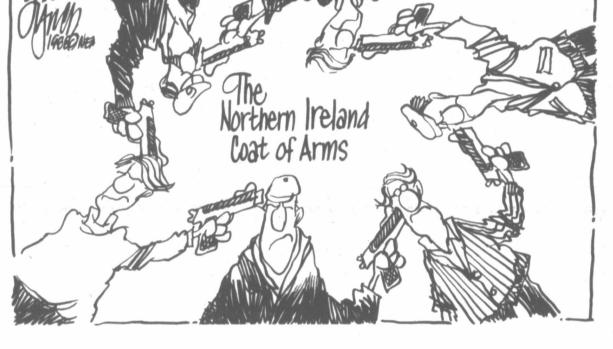
Today's Highlight in History: Twenty years ago, on April 4, 1968, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was shot to death in Memphis, Tenn., where he had gone to support a strike by city sanitation workers. A student of the life of Mahatma Gandhi and a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize. King advocated non-violent civil disobedience as a way of combating racism. He was 39 years old. On this date:

In 1818, Congress decided the flag of the United States should consist of 13 red and white stripes and 20 stars, with a new star to be added for every new state of the union

In 1841, one month after his inaugural, President William Henry Harrison succumbed to pneumonia, becoming the first U.S. chief executive to die while in office.

In 1850, the city of Los Angeles was incorporated.

In 1949, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was



# We pay bills for deadbeats

I'm the credit manager of a major city re-

tailer. I no longer decide who gets credit and who

doesn't; the computer decides. The family that charged that apartment-full

of furniture would never have had my approval as a worthy credit risk. Though the husband has a job now, he's rarely

held any one job for more than a few months. The family lives in one of the city's lowincome housing high-rises, notorious for its high rate of crime, delinquency and deadbeats.

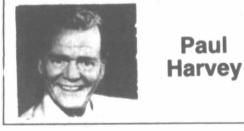
But our government Equal Credit Opportunity Act — intended to prevent discrimination states unequivocal guidelines as to who can be turned down for credit and who must be

approved. And the computer, based on thee guidelines,

approved the family in question. Now the family has made no payment for eight months, has ignored or rejected all appeals.

Logically, my employer must repossess the furniture

But nobody in the city — nobody at any price



- is willing to go into that public housing project and bring that furniture out.

So we write it off. The furniture stays.

Now, who pays for that furniture? You do. In the higher prices that retailer must charge other customers, the honest people "pay extra" for the deadbeats

Just one division of one major retailer "writes off" as uncollectable hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of merchandise each year.

Bank charge cards such as Visa and Master-Card are awash in bad debt. Some of it relates to

stolen credit cards; most of it represents cardholders spending beyond what they can afford. Bad debts in 1986 totaled \$4 billion, 85 percent of it from default-related credit-card debts.

That was double the deadbeat rating for the year previous and when 1987 is all added up, that year's loss could double again.

And who pays those unpaid billions? You do. Consumer installment debt has ballooned in recent decades from 7.3 percent of disposable income in 1950 to 14.7 percent in 1970 to 15.5 percent in 1980.

By 1987 it stood at a record of 18.8 percent, amounts to a total debt of \$591 billion!

Many Americans — to pay off their accumulated credit-card debt - are mortgaging their homes. Too late they realize that they've escaped the frying pan for the fire; the interest rate on home-equity loans may run - counting fees and closing costs - 14 percent to more than 15 percent per year.

But the worst culprit is the government which, enforcing the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, is requiring that credit be extended to people who are demonstrably irresponsible.

### Let's reject solutions for 'homelessness'

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

The gigantic engine of liberal propaganda, always striving to push America to the left, hasn't had an easy time of it lately. For it to work its wonders, there must be something visibly wrong with American society. Unfortunately, most of our current troubles are directly and obviously traceable to failed liberal policies.

So the liberals have been casting about for some new "problem" to wail and gnash their teeth over, and it seems clear that they have finally set-"Homelessness in tled on one:

The beauty of the homelessness issue, from the liberal standpoint, is that it really has gotten worse lately - though not principally in the Reagan years, and certainly not as a result of his policies.

To the irreducible substratum of alcoholics, ne'er-do-wells and assorted burns who are a feature of every social landscape, the tranquilizing drugs of the 1960s added the bulk of the patients then in the nation's mental hospitals. During the 1970s, the fallout of the Great Society's absolutely disastrous welfare programs produced a brand-new underclass of permanent mendicants to join the throng. And into this mass of unfortunates there has now infiltrated a whole subculture of drug addicts, posing as job hunters temporarily down on their luck.

It is to the condition of these people that the liberals point, cynically blaming it on Reagan and straining every nerve to induce the public as a whole to feel guilty about it. The prescribed "solution" is huge increases in local, state and federal government expenditures on their bchalf — expenditures which, far from improving matters, will in fact make them infinitely worse, because they will subsidize and therefore encourage the very thing they are supposed to eliminate.

At present, the burden of doing something about the homeless falls largely on the mayors of the big cities where these people congregate (be-cause they have learned from experience that the political pressures there favor their cause). New York City's Mayor Ed Koch is

in a losing battle to put the families up in "welfare hotels" and the single men in municipal dormitories. I say "losing" because there is no conceivable way in which such housing, however comfortable, could possibly solve the real problems of the "homeless." You could install them all in duplexes in Trump Tower and within a month the building would be one big "crack den," crawling with crime.

What it boils down to is that the responsible citizens of this country are going to have to stand up on their hind legs and reject the liberals' effort to induce a mass guilt complex on this subject, preparatory to an orgy of spending.

We must decide what we are prepared to offer any indigent - I would suggest food and lodging for one month, subject to earlier termination on the violation of any reasonable rules - and thereafter order him or her to depart. The laws against vagrancy ought to be reinforced (by writing them into the state and federal constitutions, if Jimmy Carter's judges find them unconstitutional), and then enforced with appropriate jail sentences where necessary.

This may sound cruel. On the contrary, it would be infinitely kinder than the current effort to "solve" the problem of the homeless by providing them with housing. It would, for one thing, jolt straight out of the category those capable of exerting the effort needed to survive on their own. The rest would have the choice of staying out of sight or being the government's guest in some facility that has bars on the windows. Their children would have to be raised at government expense - providing, in the process, employment for many indigent

There is no cheap or easy way out of this mess, but I declare here and now that I don't intend to feel guilty

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### mmission recommends Medicare payment change

WASHINGTON (AP) - A congressional commission formed to study Medicare payments to physicians recommended today that a national fee schedule be pegged to the relative value of the work performed by different types of doctors.

The Physician Payment Review Commission's recommendation is controversial because it almost certainly will pit medical speciality against medical speciality in assigning a relative value to each doctor's work.

How, for example, would such a scale compare the value of one hour of brain surgery with a like time spent by a heart surgeon, or an internist treating a

The commission acknowledged that it still has more work to do on developing such a scale and then "must turn to the practical task of developing the relative values, or assessing those developed by others." Panel members have acknowledged that development of a value-based fee schedule is at least two or three years away.

In its second annual report to Congress, the review commission said such a nationwide fee schedule should take into account geographical differences in the cost of practicing medicine.

But a summary of the 2-inch-thick report said such variation, "while significant, is less extensive than anecdotal evidence might suggest." It said adjusting for the actual cost of practice reduced some of the geographic variation, but much of it remained."

Variation is generally greatest for visit services and least for diagnostic procedures," it said. "Areas with charges that were relatively high for one procedure did not necessarily have relatively high charges for other proce-

That conclusion focused attention on the report's fundamental recommendation for a fee schedule based first on the relative value of the service rendered, and only then adjusted for geographic

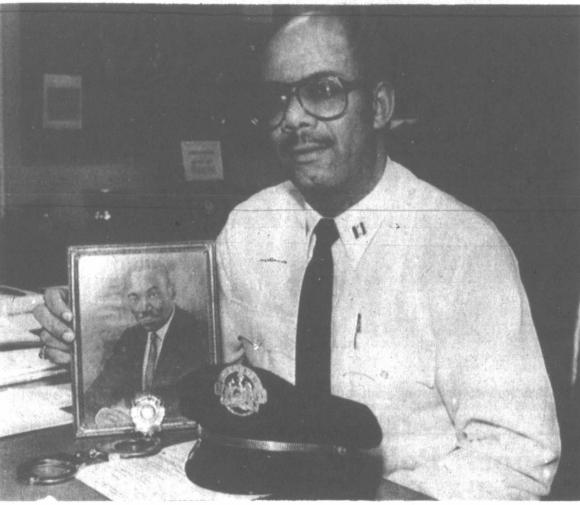
The panel's initial report last spring said it had concluded that some kind of fee schedule is needed. An additional year's study led to today's call for basing that schedule mainly on a"'relative value scale."

In discarding the current pattern of physicians' charges as a valid foundation for devising a nationwide Medicare fee schedule, the commission said such an approach is based on the argument that such charges "reflect market prices for services."

It said health insurance — whether private or public, like Medicare 'more or less relieves consumers of the need to compare the value of alternative medical services with their price. Indeed, insurance has distorted some of the comparisons through uneven

As an example, it pointed out that insurance generally covers more surgical costs than alternative treatment even though a non-surgical approach may be just as effective and less expen-

"A second reason for skepticism about market signals is the inability of many patients, especially elderly ones, to be the active comparison shoppers that the economic model of competition



Charles Alphin sits in his office with a photo of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

### Officer brings Martin King's philosophy to mean streets

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Charles Alphin was a tough black cop who thought the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s non-violent philosophy was "sissy" when the civil rights leader was gunned down 20

years ago today. But these days Alphin, now a police captain, devotes himself to practicing King's creed of nonviolence in one of the city's roughest districts and

teaching it in schools. "It's nothing superhuman what I'm doing," Alphin said. "It's being sensitive to others, it's being considerate, it's being understanding, it's

looking at people like you're all God's children.' Growing up in the black neighborhoods of St. Louis in the 1940s and 1950s, Alphin dealt with trouble the only way he knew how. "We had to fight to

'I thought that non-violence was sissy," said Alphin, who joined the police force in 1964 and later became a homicide investigator. "I thought that it

wasn't the way to solve problems. Alphin has come so far from his days as a street fighter that NBC has chosen him as the subject of a

television movie about King's legacy. 'I'm honored, delighted, overwhelmed,'' said Alphin, 47. "But it's not really important who the messenger is, the most important thing is that the

message will be heard." The movie tentatively is for broadcast in early

Lucy Johnson, who is co-producing the movie with Harry Belafonte for Lorimar Productions in Los Angeles, said Alphin was chosen because he was personally affected by King only after the civil rights leader's assassination on April 4, 1968.

Alphin said his experience with prejudice was minimal while he was growing up because he lived in a nearly all-black neighborhood. But, Alphin said, when he went into the armed forces, he saw

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firsthand what King was protesting because prejudice was prevalent.

But not until 1981 and a chance acquaintance with Bernard LaFayette, a civil rights worker from the 1960s, did the officer begin comprehending the power of non-violence.

LaFayette invited Alphin to join him and others on a trip through the South to gauge the progress of blacks since the freedom rides of 1961

'That was the most educational nine days of my life," Alphin said.

Upon his return, Alphin attended workshops at the Martin Luther King Jr. Center For Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta. Last year, he taught his first class there. He also is president of a St. Louis support group that presents workshops on nonviolence and sponsors trips to the center.

In 1986 and 1987, Alphin commanded the Police Department's homicide division. His beliefs were tested to the limit.

"I used to drive home and pray and ask God why he sent me down here. I just didn't understand why I was a non-violent person in the most violent area - homicide, sex crimes and child abuse," Alphin

Alphin let it be known that he would tolerate no violence from his officers, said Sgt. Tom Godfrey, a homicide detective. He was as compassionate toward suspects as he was toward victims, God-

Alphin also has been successful convincing young people that there are alternatives to violence. He is one of several adults in a group founded last year to counsel University City High School students suspended for fighting.

'Charles, in a group with those kids, is the best role model," said Principal Doris Randolph. "He's a Bill Cosby type — he knows how to respond to them.

### Democrats battle this week in presidential double-header

By The Associated Press

The Democratic presidential contenders plunged today into back-to-back battles in Colorado and Wisconsin, with Michael Dukakis and Jesse Jackson fighting it out for the front-runner's spot.

Forty-five Democratic delegates are at stake in today's Colorado caucuses. Tuesday's Wisconsin primary offers an even richer prize - 81 Democratic delegates, plus a boost heading into a round of big-state contests in coming weeks

All four of the Democrats were campaigning today in Wisconsin. A day earlier, the presidential candidates spent Easter Sunday courting church congregations.

Pat Robertson, his Republican bid all but crushed by Vice President George Bush, claimed a divine mandate for his presidential candidacy.

'We are laying the foundation for a great victory for this nation. It may not be in 1988. ... but I am not going to quit," said the former television evangelist. "That is His plan for me and this nation."

Jackson preached Easter sermons to huge crowds in Colorado, telling them: "Hope has been

He commemorated the assassination of Martin Luther King 20 years ago today, drawing a parallel with the crucifixion.

"Dr. King and Jesus: ... Government set the climates for their killings," Jackson said. "Dr. King got in trouble with our government for ending apartheid.'

Jackson also said he is awaiting a report from a representative he dispatched to Panama, but that he has not offered to mediate the dispute over Panamanian s Manuel Antonio Noriega's con-

The latest AP tally gave Dukakis 653.55, Jackson 646.55, with the uncommitted tally at 468.6. Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore had 381.8 and Sen. Paul Simon of Illinois, 169.5.

Dukakis visited a shelter for the homeless in Denver over the weekend, saying he is "a doer" and "not just a talker."

Dukakis campaign spokesman Bob Johnson predicted Democrats would begin to focus on one Democrat to beat Bush — and that Democrat will

Gore and Simon are both badly in need of a win in Wisconsin. Gore has not had a victory since Super Tuesday; Simon has only won in his home state of Illinois.

Simon searched for votes as children hunted eggs at an Easter egg hunt in Madison. He said he shares Jackson's "passion for the less fortunate," adding: "I offer not only passion, but the experience to do something about it."

Simon also said his credentials are better than those of Dukakis.

A poll in the Milwaukee Journal, conducted Wednesday and Thursday, gave Dukakis a narrow lead over Jackson in Wisconsin, 43 to 35 percent. Gore had 15 percent and Simon 5 percent, according to the poll, which had a margin of error of plus or minus 5 percentage points.

Although its survey suggested Gore was behind. the newspaper endorsed him, calling the Tennessee senator the "best qualified to serve as president." The Journal praised Jackson for 'shaking up the political process" but said his lack of experience in government was a weak point.

Gore has been hitting at Jackson's lack of government experience and questioning his electability. Dukakis, however, shied away from predicting how Jackson would do against Bush.

A poll published in this week's editions of U.S. News & World report said if Jackson became Dukakis' running mate, the Democrats could defeat the Republican ticket, regardless of who became Bush's running mate. A Dukakis-Jackson ticket was supported by 47 percent of the 1,004 people contacted last week by telephone for the poll, while a hypothetical GOP ticket of Bush and Illinois Gov. Jim Thompson would win 42 percent, the survey said.

The poll, conducted by the Roper Organization, had a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage

Another poll, published in this week's editions of Newsweek magazine, said two-thirds of Democrats and voters leaning toward the party say Jackson should get the nomination if he leads in popular vote and delegates at the time of the convention — even if he doesn't have the 2,082 delegates needed to nominate.

#### **Kefugees increase around world** as resettlement prospects worsen

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than 13 million people around the world fled their homelands last year, according to a report on refugees that sharply criticizes U.S. policy toward those seeking asylum.

The report by the U.S. Committee on Refugees says the number of refugees worldwide increased from 11.7 million in 1986 to 13.3 million last year, but says that many of those seeking asylum in the United States are discouraged by harsh policies of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Citing research by the General Accounting Office, which watches government agencies for Congress, the report complains that INS detains ordinary refugees and criminals together. The report also accuses some guards hired by contract with INS of 'gross negligence to duty, gross misconduct and suspected collusion in detainee escapes."

The committee is an advocacy

and monitoring group that receives support from the Ford Foundation and help from private and religious groups concerned with refugees. It says that under current U.S. policies, it is not surprising that some refugees agree to return home.

'Although technically voluntary, the evidence strongly suggests that many of those departures are coerced," it says.

In addition to 32,000 Salvadorans deported from the United States since 1977, many others have abandoned their claim before receiving a chance to explain why they fled and qualify for asylum, the report says.

Verne Jervis, spokesman for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said at the begin-

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ning of last week that he would supply some comment on the survey, but he had not done so by the end of the week. The major increases in re-

fugees in 1987 occurred in Africa and Asia, the report says. The biggest new wave was fleeing a rebellion in the south-

east African republic of Mozambique, once a Portugese colony, the report says. The situation there has divided

U.S. political leaders, with some such as Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., saying the rebellion is being fomented by South Africa's military.

Conservatives, meanwhile, describe the Mozambique government as pro-Soviet and the rebels as freedom fighters.

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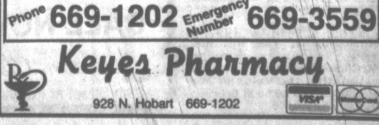


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### four more rebel soldiers missi

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - Four more soldiers jailed in plots against President Corazon Aquino were missing following the weekend escape of the leader of an August coup attempt, the military said today.

Chief military spokesman Col. Oscar Florendo also denied that troops had raided a vacation home of opposition Sen. Juan Ponce Enrile in connection with the nationwide search for former Lt. Col. Gregorio "Gringo" Honasan.

Honasan, 39, leader of the Aug. 28 coup attempt, and 14 guards fled a prison ship in Manila Bay before dawn Saturday aboard two rubber dinghies. He had been confined there since his arrest Dec. 9 for the attempted coup that left at least 53 people dead and hundreds wounded.

Florendo said three officers and one enlisted man jailed in connection with the August attempt and another in January 1987 were missing from the detention center at Villamor Air Base.

Florendo claimed, however, the four apparently fled because of "family problems" and their escape was not related to the Honasan incident.

An earlier report by a Manila newspaper, citing an unidentified air force officer, put the figure at nine soldiers who had escaped

Military officials said earlier that troops Sunday raided Enrile's vacation house in Batangas province, southwest of Manila, as part of a search of a seaside vacation resort. But Florendo denied Enrile's house had been raided.

Enrile told a radio station today he had heard of the raid and charged the government was acting illegally by entering homes without search warrants.

Honasan served as chief of security at the Ministry of National Defense when Enrile was defense chief. Enrile was fired in November 1986, after an alleged coup attempt by his followers.

Manila newspapers have reported that leaflets were circulating in military camps calling for the overthrow of the government. The leaflets allegedly were from Honasan's Reform the Armed Forces Movement, the papers

Florendo said a nationwide search was under way for Honasan but that raids so far had failed because "either we were too late or perhaps the information was not so accurate.'

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos today told reporters the military was investigating "all angles" of the incident, "including alleged foreign intervention in the escape of Honasan." Ramos did not elaborate.

Leftist Rep. Venancio Garduce has charged that Americans may have helped Honasan escape to pressure the government as it begins talks with the United States this week on the status of U.S. military bases in the Philippines.

Presidential sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Mrs. Aquino had demanded a full-scale investigation into the Honasan escape because she did not believe it was simply a result of negligence.

The skipper of the prison ship was arrested Saturday, but the sources said Mrs. Aguino believed others in the chain of command should be punished.

Mrs. Aquino told a student group on Sunday that her government was stable enough to withstand any new coup attempt and that Honasan's escape "does not in any way discourage us in what we set out to do.

### Opposition candidates running hard for Mexican presidency

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Five opposition candidates are taking aim at the governing Institutional Revolutionary Party and campaigning for the presidency with a vengeance not seen before in

With 59 years of experience in winning all major elections, the governing party, known as the PRI. is all but guaranteed victory again on July 6 - and another six years in the nation's top office.

But opposition candidates are trying new tactics, spurred by more competition among themselves and PRI candidate Carlos Salinas de Gortari's identification with Mexico's economic crisis

The Conservative National Action Party candi date, Manuel Clouthier, has "shadowed" the PRI candidate, showing up in some of the same places. Heberto Castillo of the Mexican Socialist Party,

which includes most of the left, staged land takeovers with peasants. Other opposition candidates have participated in acts of civil disobedience. And Cuauhtemoc Cardenas of the National

Democratic Front coalition drew a crowd rivaling the government's on the 50th anniversary of the expropriation of foreign oil holdings by his father, ex-president Lazaro Cardenas. Candidates have pressured openly for more

radio and television time from the PRI-dominated media and complained that spots have been refused and stations have failed to broadcast inter-

"Inhibitions have been broken and, as in '68, we face a parting of the waters in the history of Mexico," Castillo said on a recent campaign stop.

Castillo, a university professor, was a leader of the 1968 Mexican student movement. He was jailed for 21/2 years for his activities.

Running a second time for the small radical Revolutionary Workers' Party is Rosario Ibarra de Piedra, a congresswoman and leader of a human rights movement. She founded the group and became politically active after her son disappeared following his arrest in 1975.

Gumersindo Magana, a lawyer, is the candidate of the conservative Mexican Democratic Party.

Helping ignite the campaign was Cardenas, who led a dissident PRI movement to fight for election reforms. Barred from the race by the party hierarchy, the former state governor accepted the candidacy of the Authentic Party of the Mexican Revolution, originally a PRI spinoff, and two small leftist parties.

He appeals to some who for years have felt there was little choice.

While the opposition field generally is stronger than in the past, Salinas de Gortari also has the disadvantage of being identified with the country's economic crisis. As budget secretary until he became the PRI candidate, he was the economic architect during a time when prices outpaced

He lacks the charisma that could make up for it, but is campaigning extensively throughout the

Because of its far-reaching grassroots structure, longtime monopoly on politics and, at times, alleged ballot fraud, PRI has swept every election since its founding in 1929. It also has taken all governorships and Senate seats and most of the congressional and local races.

Jesus Gonzalez Schmal, National Action congressional leader, said a voter registration list the Interior Department gave the party last September was padded by about 25 percent with fake

The Socialist Party has called for the opposition to act together "with operational and practical means against electoral fraud.'

Salinas de Gortari has promised to respect opposition victories.



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Radical students protesting against the government of President Roh Tae-woo hurl firebombs at police in Seoul Monday. About 500

students took part in the protest against the South Korean government.

### Milton A. Caniff, creator of 'Terry and the Pirates' and 'Steve Canyon', dies

NEW YORK (AP) - Milton A. Caniff, who for half a century took Americans on daring adventures through the comic pages with "Terry and the Pirates" and "Steve Canyon," has died of lung cancer. He was 81.

Caniff, who had entered Beth Israel Hospital on Feb. 29, died Sunday at his home, according to a spokesman for King Features, which syndicated the strips.

Caniff set a standard for realistic drawing and quickly enthralled Depression-era readers with tales of danger in the Far East in "Terry and the Pirates," which debuted in 1934 in the Daily News.

He left the paper to join Marshall Field and the Chicago Sun Syndicate in 1946 with a new hero. "Steve Canyon," a fictional Air Force colonel who proved so popular he was eventually given his own file at the Pentagon.

Always attuned to what sells newspapers, Caniff liked to quote his high school art teacher in Dayton, Ohio: "Unless a piece of art inspired the viewer to part with cash money to acquire it, then the drawing was not worth a hoot.

But his technique was among the very best, and he was honored as the "Rembrandt of comic strips" at an exhibition at the Museum of Cartoon Art in 1985. He said he belonged to the "every wrinkle must show" school of art.

At the Dayton Daily News, Pulitzer Prizewinning cartoonist Mike Peters described Caniff as "the grandaddy of cartoonists."

"He was in the inner circle with Rube Goldberg, Al Capp, Walt Kelly and those guys," Peters said. "He was revered by all of us. He had some of the best drafted strips ever done."

Ted Hannah, a spokesman for King Features, said Caniff continued to work until very near his death, with his longtime assistant, Shel Dorf of California. Hannah said a decision on the future of "Steve Canyon" would be made this week

Caniff's cartooning career began with "Dickie Dare" and "The Gay Thirties" for The Associated

He was soon approached by Capt. Joseph M. Patterson, publisher of the News, who asked for an adventure strip packed with comedy, romance and adventure and set in the Orient, which Patterson regarded as the last outpost of adventure.

By 1946, "Terry and the Pirates" was in more than 300 newspapers and Caniff was making \$75,000 per year. But he wanted to own a cartoon, and he developed "Steve Canyon," for which he was paid \$2,000 a week and owned the rights.

Despite occasional complaints about violence. 'Steve Canyon' kept flying and fighting, and early this year it was in more than 500 newspapers around the world, according to King Features.

Caniff was a meticulous researcher, and some of the plots in "Terry and the Pirates" anticipated actual events in World War II, such as the Japanese attack on the United States. One of his memorable creations was the Dragon Lady, who was inspired by Joan Crawford.

"Terry and the Pirates" was continued by George Wunder until the strip ended in 1973. Wunder died last December.

Caniff is survived by his wife, Ester.

#### Report: Police chief received offer to make deal in ticket fixing hearing Hasty, tried to negotiate for leniency for his client. FORT WORTH (AP) - Police Chief Tom Win-

dham said the attorney for an officer fired after being accused of ticket fixing threatened to reveal damaging information about the department unless his client was shown leniency.

The administrative hearing on the firing of former officer Steve Weaver resumes today with more unflattering details about the department expected to be discussed. Investigators accused Weaver of fixing three traffic tickets he issued to a plumber who did work at his house

Windham told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that before the hearing Weaver's attorney, Robert

"Bob Hasty voiced a threat ... that he was going to bring out some very damaging testimony," Windham said. "At no time will I be blackmailed or extorted. ... They know they have a loser. The testimony so far has totally been supportive of the necessity of firing people like Steve Weaver.'

Windham said he was asked to reduce Weaver's punishment to a suspension and in exchange, the hearing - and public airing of the ticket fixing allegations - would never occur, the Star-Telegram reported Sunday. Weaver is appealing his firing in the hearing.



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#### Celebrity status has ups and downs

MIDLAND (AP) — The parents of Jessica McClure, the little girl whose rescue from a 581/2-hour entrapment in an abandoned well captivated the nation, find themselves showered in attention that it isn't always flattering.

A packed stadium is expected to be looking on as Jessica tosses out the first ball in the Texas Rangers' opening game today at Arlington Stadium.

But sometimes too many eyes seem to be watching

Chip and Reba "Cissy" McClure, Jessica's parents, bought a new three-bedroom tract house in the modest suburb of Greenwood after the well rescue. Mrs. McClure, who turned 19 last week, now stays home with Jessica while her 18-year-old husband works at a new job selling sporting goods at a local store.

But when Oprah Winfrey brought her television talk show to Midland and sent a limousine to pick up the McClures, rumors spread that the couple was living in a large home in an exclusive neighborhood.

"That's when the rumors started flying," said M.L. Blevins, accountant for the McClures. He dismissed the talk. estimating the value of the McClures' new home at between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

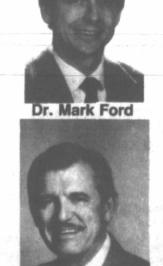
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This Chinese export dish was made to keep food hot. Water was poured into the spout and held by a chamber under the plate. It was made about 1790.

# 17th-century hot water plates kept food hot at dinner table

By RALPH and TERRY KOVEL

Keeping food hot at the table has never been easy, but our ancestors solved the problem with many ingenious devices.

One simple and successful idea was the hot water plate, a standard-size dinner plate equipped with a lower chamber that could be filled with hot water. Sometimes the plate and the chamber were molded in one piece, but often the lower chamber was made of pewter and a plate fitted to it. Some hot water plates had handles and covers.

The hot water plate was always made in the same pattern as the ordinary dinner service plates of the set. Many typical patterns of the early 1800s were blue and white, such as the blue willow pattern, and were made with matching hot water plates.

The only contemporary plates that still use this idea are those made to hold food for babies.

Q. We can't resist using the Kovel silversmith prediction for the 1988 election.

During the last few elections and searched for 19th-century American silversmiths with the same names. There was a Richard Nixon but not a Hubert Humphrey. There was a J. Carter but not a G. Ford. There was no Reagan or Mondale, so we could not predict the outcome of the last election.

This year, however, the only candidate/silversmiths we could locate were Dole (Mass., c. 1811), Jackson (Richmond, Va., c. 1815), Hart (Middletown, Conn., c. 1803), Robertson (Philadelphia, c. 1750) and George Bush.

If our unscientific prediction holds, the next president will be named George Bush. He is the only candidate with a completely sterling name, and for that he can thank a silversmith in Easton, Pa., who worked from 1812 to

### **Antiques**

able mechanical banks are the ones made of iron? I have a bank that is made of wood. It looks like a small three-drawer dresser.

A penny placed in the top drawer actually "disappears." On the back of the dresser it says "Patent Applied For, James Serrill, Philadelphia, Pa." It seems very

A. Any sort of mechanical bank is of interest to collectors. The rare iron banks are the most expensive today, but many beginning collectors buy lithographed tin, plastic and wooden banks. Your bank is of historical interest because James Serrill patented the first known mechanical bank.

'Penny Lane' by Al Davidson (P.O. Box 90, Mokelumne Hill, Calif. 95245, \$55) is a new book on the history of antique mechanical toy banks, including many tin and iron banks and some 20 wooden bureau banks, described and pictured in color.

patent information and rarity. This is the most complete listing of mechanical banks we've seen.

Q. I have a blue, red and green eagle coverlet marked "Made by William Ney, Myerstown, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania."

A. Your coverlet was apparently made by William Ney, who lived in Myerstown from 1811 to

Q. My teapot is marked 'Broadhead & Co." It is made of a dark metal that seems to have been silver plated. Can you tell

A. R. Broadhead and Company worked in Sheffield, England, from 1853 to about 1900. They made Britannia, a pewter-like metal, and silver-plated pieces.

The company mark included the initial R until 1859, so your Q. Is it true that the only valu- teapot, lacking that initial, is

from a later year. The silver plating may have worn off and the dark metal you see is Britannia.

TIP: If your wicker furniture crackles and pops when you sit on it, it needs more moisture. Water it with the hose in the back yard or mist it with a spray of water in the bathtub or shower.

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rubber, yellow, 7 inches: \$15. DeVilbiss atomizer, opalescent white feathers, gold plated cap,

original label: \$38. Sterling silver cigarette box,

English, 1919: \$55. Cookie cutter, tin, horse, 41/2 inches: \$105.

Sky Chief Texaco gas pump globe: \$135.

Nippon humidor, six-sided, Indian in canoe, marked: \$225. Putnam Bye-Lo doll, bisque head, marked on head and body,

10 inches: \$375. Hanging match box, pine, painted, shaped back, peacock in profile, flower, red and black on yellow ground, signed Newsom, Yates, Vermont, dated 1806, 71/2

inches: \$1,870. Mermod music box, Sublime Harmonia, interchangeable, 11 inches: \$2,200.

Chippendale slant-lid desk, tiger maple, fall front, stepped interior, compartments, four graduated thumb-molded drawers, bracket feet, replaced brasses, New England, c. 1780, 41x36x20 inches: \$4,500.

### Plant seeds at correct soil temperature for germination

CHECK SOIL TEMPERATURE **BEFORE PLANTING** 

In many cases, the early bird does get the worm. But when it comes to spring planting, gardeners may want to use a little restraint and take a look at soil temperatures before cranking up

One of the keys to getting spring crops off to a good start is to heed soil temperatures. Soil temperatures have been shown to have an important effect on how well seeds germinate.

Planting in cool soils often leads to poor seed germination and poor crop stands. Plants that do come up often lack vigor for early growth. And this opens the door to early season disease and insect attacks.

Gardeners should begin planting only after danger of a late frost is past and the soil has warmed to temperatures favorable for the intended crop.

Just when is it safe to plant what crop?

Hardy vegetables such as onions, beets, carrots, cabbage and potatoes can be planted once soil temperatures range around 50 degrees, while warm-season vegetables such as tomatoes, melons, beans, okra, squash, cucumber and peppers need soil that has warmed into the 60s.

Accurate soil temperature readings are taken at a 4-inch depth.

**MULCH FOR** BETTER YIELDS

No self-respecting gardener wants to be governed by the whims of Mother Nature. Gardeners enjoy rushing the natural occurrences of soil warming and frost-free dates. This can be safely done if you are willing to make the necessary efforts. The reward for such an effort is an earlier and prolonged production period.

One item which can be used to stimulate earlier, prolonged production is plastic mulch. Most gardeners are familiar with organic mulches such as leaves, compost and grass clippings, but overlook the many benefits of plastic mulches, which do the following things:

Reduce evaporation of soil moisture.

■ Reduce fluctuations in soil

moisture. Retain soil moisture. Reduce fluctuations in soil

#### For Horticulture Joe VanZandt

temperature.

Provide warmer daytime surface temperature.

Reduce weed growth. Reduce soil compaction. Reduce leaching of fertilizer

Prevent soil crusting. Promote activity of microor-

ganisms.

Reduce soil rot of fruit. ■ Increase water use efficiency.

■ Increase fertilizer use effi-

ciency

Increase yield and improve

quality.

Black or very dark plastics, usually made of polyethylene,

have proved effective in hastening maturity as well as in controlling weeds. They frequently

increase the yield of the warmseason crops such as squash, peppers and tomatoes and may increase the yield of all early

planted crops. During the day, the dark plastic absorbs more of the sun's heat than organic mulches, and radiates the heat back faster at night. Thus, plants mulched with plastics are less susceptible to frost injury than those mulched with

Make black plastic sections for mulching by splitting regular garbage bags on the seams. Heavy duty bags last longer.

organic mulches such as leaves

and compost.

It is important that the soil is well supplied with water from rain or irrigation a few days before the plastic is laid. It is difficult to lay plastic on a windy day.

Plastic mulch can be laid immediately after planting, but for most transplanted crops, it is much easier to apply it first and plant through it. If drip irrigation is to be used, put drip hoses in place on or in the planting bed before covering with plastic.

When applying a plastic mulch. make small furrows with a hoe or shovel about 3 to 4 inches deep on each side of the planting bed, with the distance between the furrows

slightly less than the width of the plastic. Do not stretch the plastic tightly, especially in warm weather, since it shrinks when

Cover the outer edge of the plastic in the furrow with soil as you move along the bed. When the plastic has been laid and securely anchored on all sides, punch or cut holes for the transplants. After setting the transplants, mound soil around the holes made for the plants to prevent wind from whipping the plastic

For small-seeded crops that are seeded directly in the row, it is best to plant the seed and then lay the plastic. Lay the plastic between the rows or directly over a seeded row, anchor it on all sides and then cut the plastic down the

Make small furrows approximately 2 inches deep as close to the seeded row as possible without disturbing the seeds. Anchor the plastic in the furrows. Largeseeded crops can be planted

directly through the plastic. The use of organic mulches is also very important. An organic mulch is especially desirable on light, sandy soils and on coolseason crops. Organic mulches keep the soil several degrees cooler than bare soil or soil covered with black plastic mulch.

Mulches reduce heat radiation from the soil, increasing the chance of frost damage on a cool night. Organic mulches are best applied after the soil is warm and as soon as plants are large enough to avoid being buried by the material. It is usually applied just after the first cultivation.

Use organic mulches when vegetables are 2 to 3 inches high. Before applying, remove weeds; any weeds remaining in the soil will grow through the organic material, but they can be removed easily by hand.

Old straw or hay which is free from weed seed is ideal. A 3- to 6-inch layer of straw or hay is required, whereas a 1- to 2-inch layer of peat moss, grass clippings or composted leaves is sufficient

If a large quantity of organic mulch is plowed under or worked into the soil, it may cause a temporary shortage of nitrogen so that the crops become yellow. To prevent this shortage, add approximately 34 cup of ammonium sulfate to each bushel of organic material

### Accessories can turn one pair of shoes into at least four styles

By The Associated Press

Turning one pair of women's shoes into a fashionable four is not necessarily a magician's trick, according to footwear fashion consultants. It can be done by any woman with a few handmade, European-inspired accessories.

The accessories can give a simple pair of pumps at least four different looks, according to Suzan Kressel, director of accessory marketing for Riviera, a New York-based company.

The accessories, called 'Shoetooz,' use fabrics ranging from rich satins and faille to bright tulle and fine leathers. Italian plastics also are used as well

Styles include a wide variety of

shapes and sizes, including bows. rosettes, buttons, tassels and geometric patterns, with prices ranging from \$10 to \$35, says Ms. Kressel

The classic, leg-slimming pump also has been given a new look by Hush Puppies, a footwear manufacturer specializing in comfortable shoes.

According to John Stevenson, company president, although flat shoes have dominated the fashion scene in the past few seasons, the pump traditionally has been the cornerstone of a woman's war-

as metals such as antique gold drobe, due to its versatility, working equally as well with casual, dressy or business

"Now the classic pump has been updated," Stevenson says. "We've added some new interest, such as snake skinned patterns, sling-backs, and gold tips. The spectator pump - with contrasting blue and white or black and white - will also be a bold look for spring.'

To showcase the classic pump. he adds, the white, pale, or nude leg is making a comeback, stimulated by the new romantic and feminine movement in clothing.

## Baseball uniforms belong

DEAR ABBY: I agree with "Barbara in Ohio." In what other major sport in America besides baseball does the coach/managing staff dress in the team uniform? Wouldn't it look rather strange to

have K.C. Jones of the Boston Celtics or Pat Riley of the Los Angeles Lakers at courtside in basketball shorts, a tank top and high-top sneakers? Or Mike Ditka of the Chicago Bears on the sidelines in a football jersey, pads and all, with headset and clipboard in hand? Baseball would do well to follow

the example of other sport team leaders by wearing more dignified apparel. If not a business suit, perhaps some type of identified leisure wear. But, please, lose the tight pants and stretch over-socks! SANDRA DAY, BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

DEAR ABBY: Where does that Ohio woman get off criticizing baseball coaches and managers for wearing the team uniforms with

their potbellies hanging out? Look at Don Zimmer of the Chicago Cubs, Whitey Herzog of the beer. St. Louis Cardinals, Tommy Lasorda of the L.A. Dodgers and Roger Craig of the San Francisco Giants they were suited up in uniforms, in their new form-fitting uniforms. helmets and all that gear? And how



**Dear Abby** 

Abigail Van Buren

They manage with their brains not their bellies! MARTIN SHONK, ANNAPOLIS, ILL.

baseball managers wear the team Billy Martin kicking sand at the

umpire in a \$600 Hickey-Freeman ART DELMAN, ROCHESTER, N.Y.

DEAR ABBY: I don't know why baseball managers and coaches wear uniforms, and if their potbellies hang out, who cares? Most of those guys are over 50 and like their

Wouldn't football and hockey

managers and coaches look silly if

DEAR ABBY: I don't know this DEAR ABBY: Why shouldn't for a fact, but common sense tells me that baseball managers and uniform? Can't you just picture coaches wear the team uniform because it's the only sport where coaches and managers go out on the

about basketball managers and

coaches in shorts? Heaven help us! SPORTS NUT IN ATLANTA

playing field during the game. When a team is up to bat, it always has a first-base coach and a third-base coach on the field. And the manager frequently runs out on the field to talk to the pitcher, or to confer with other players.

In other sports such as football, hockey, basketball, etc., the team members will go to the sidelines to confer with the coach. Baseball managers and coaches wear the team uniform to make it easy for the umpire to identify them as somebody who has the right to be on the

In professional baseball, the umpires move from city to city, and, therefore, may not know the managers and coaches if a change is made during the season.

If my memory serves me well, Connie Mack was the last manager of baseball history to wear a suit on the field. He was, to my way of thinking, the greatest man in baseball. EILEEN

DEAR EILEEN: Thanks for the input. Incidentally, Connie was born Cornelius

DEAR ABBY: I noticed with interest the line, "It's not over until the fat lady sings," which appeared in your column. It had to do with a sporting event.

McGillicuddy.

You might be interested in knowing that the expression originated in connection with opera, and the 'lady" referred to was a heavyset female soprano who performed in Richard Wagner's opera "Gotterdammerung

CHARLIE E. MILTON, CAPT. U.S. ARMY (RETIRED), WAGONER, OKLA.

DEAR CAPT. MILTON: Well, I'll be gotterdammerunged! Thanks for the interesting



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### Today's Crossword Puzzle

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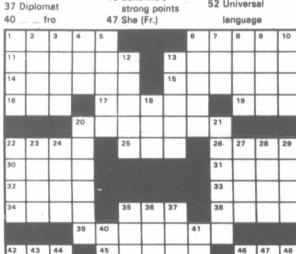
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SOMETHING TO TAKE FOR IT.

#### **GEECH**





THE WIZARD OF ID By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

### MAKE WAY FOR THE KING!







By Howie Schneider

By Jerry Bittle

Astro-Graph

The key to your success in the year ahead will be your willingness to push yourself a little harder than you have in the past. If you do, what you receive in return could exceed your expectations.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be specific about your goals today. You're in a good achievement cycle, and what you

focus on can be attained, even if it is bordered by obstacles. Know where to

look for romance and you'll find it. The

Matchmaker set instantly reveals which

signs are romantically perfect for you.

Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this news-

paper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Shed the cloak of inactivity today and begin to

move on a project to which you've given

considerable thought. Nothing more is

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Something in

which you're presently involved has greater potential than you may have re-

alized. Today, you might start appreci-

ating its true worth.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) in your in-

volvements with friends today, it might

be your lot to make decisions for them

as well as well as for yourself. Fortu-

nately, your judgment will be profound. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Self-improve-

ment programs into which you enter at this time will produce gratifying results

if you give them half a chance. Elevate

your expectations.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may

have an opportunity to say something

to others that will get a dear friend off the hook. This person could not have

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Conditions

that have an effect on your material well being still look positive. Keep working

on ways to increase your bank balance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you're re-

guired to make a decision today be-

tween what pleases your ego or what

fattens your wallet, choose the latter.

Money is a bandage for wounded pride. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This

could be a fortunate day for you. The

aspects indicate you may be getting a

second chance at something you previ-

ously mismanaged. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Regard-

less of what others may think or advise

you to do today, it's best you do things

your own way. Your grasp of matters

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Pursuit of

your own goals will be your primary ob-

jective today. Fortunately, however,

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BETWEEN A GOOD KISS

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FOR POLITICIANS



By Johnny Hart

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'Well, we know where our chocolate bars

went...his doghouse is full of candy wrappers."



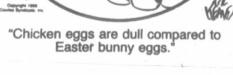
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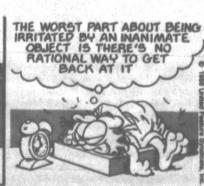














THE BORN LOSER





'I had to move! The vanity plate I wanted

was already taken in California:





By Art Sansom







Lyle wins at

Greensboro

GREENSBORO, N.C. - Sandy

Ken Green, meanwhile, has a

It all came about because

Green missed a two-foot par putt

on the 72nd hole of the Greater

Greensboro Open Golf Tourna-

That little putt would have

"I had given up, really," Lyle

"I just gorked it to the right,"

Green said after the little lapse

had spoiled what had been a great

comeback and gave Lyle a

chance, it almost always comes

back to haunt you," Green said.

The burly Scot won his second

title of the young season with a

10-foot birdie putt on the first ex-

tra hole, and became the first

British player ever to lead the

The victory, Lyle's fourth in

three years on the American cir-

cuit, was worth \$180,000 from the

total purse of \$1 million. It pushed

his earnings for the year to

\$408,021, the leading figure going

into the Masters at Augusta, Ga.,

the first of the year's Big Four

"That does a lot for my confi-

dence going to Augusta," Lyle

said. "If I can play about half as

well there as I did here, I think I'd

Lyle, a former British Open

champion, held a three-stroke lead over the field and five over

Green starting the final round. At

three times and Lyle bogeyed

After both birdied the 16th -

Lyle with a 60-foot putt — Green

went ahead with a 27-foot birdie

putt on the 17th, his fifth birdie in

bounced out of the cup, Green

needed only a two-putt par to win.

He lagged to about two feet only

to miss, setting up a playoff that

for me to gt over it. It's pretty

difficult to handle, to play so well

for so many holes, then throw it

away," said Green, whose clos-

ing 67 was the best round of the

drizzly final round. Green and

Lyle finished regulation play tied

at 271, 17 under par on the Forest

Oaks Country Club course. Lyle

matched par 72 over the final

"It's going to take a little while

was almost an anti-climax.

When Lyle's chip for birdie

the turn, he led Green by four. But Green made up the difference in four holes. He birdied

have a good chance.

from a bunker.

American money-winning list.

"When you give a guy a second

second life in a playoff.

given Green the title and a place

said Sunday. "I thought I was doomed. I didn't fancy he would

in the Masters field this week.

Lyle has an unprecedented position among British golfers, a new title and an improved chance to

By BOB GREEN **AP Golf Writer** 

win the Masters.

ment on Sunday.

But he did.

It did.

week off.

# Sports OU, Jayhawks meet tonight for NCAA title

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) -Final Four times two equals Big Eight, and that's the equation that will be used to crown college basketball's national champion tonight.

Not only will the championship be decided for the first time between two Big Eight teams, but it will be decided in the same building, Kemper Arena, where the Big Eight tournament is held each year.

Aside from sharing the same conference, however, No. 4 Oklahoma and unranked Kansas have little in common on the basketball court.

The Sooners raced through a 35-3 season, averaging 104 points per game and gaining a seamy reputation for embarrassing opponents by running up the score. The Sooners like to run wild, and they use a full court press throughout the game.

The Jayhawks, meanwhile, have a record of 26-11. If they win the national title, they would do so with more losses than any other champion in NCAA history. Both Villanova, in 1985, and North Carolina State, in 1983, were beaten 10 times. The Jayhawks lost two of their starters early in the season — Archie Marshall to injury and Marvin Branch to academics — and rely heavily on two-time All-American Danny Manning.

"This year, we've gone through so much," Kansas forward Chris

Piper said during a Sunday news conference. "Adversity has brought us together. We weren't expected to do anything."

Manning, who leads the team in scoring and also creates scoring opportunities for his teammates with his inside play, said his game changed when the two starters were lost.

"I matured a lot," he said. Manning said the key to success against Oklahoma would be to limit the Sooners' number of possessions.

Not since 1957 has a Big Eight team even made the title game. That year, Kansas lost to North Carolina 54-53 in triple overtime. Although Kansas is the traditional power, with eight Final Four appearances and a national title in 1952, and has a home court advantage with its campus only 35 miles away at Lawrence, Kan.. Oklahoma was an early eightpoint favorite.

"I don't care who's the favorite," Oklahoma Coach Billy Tubbs said. "That doesn't do you any good when the ball is going up and down the floor. If you'll notice, last night the favorites didn't win.

Second-ranked Arizona was slightly favored to beat Oklahoma, but the Sooners won that semifinal Saturday night, 86-78. Kansas upset fifth-ranked Duke



(AP Laserphoto)

Sooner coach Billy Tubbs dismisses favorite's tag.

### **Optimist** signups continue

Youngsters who failed to sign up for the Pampa Optimist Club Minor League and T-Ball baseball leagues will have another opportunity to do so Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Pampa Optimist Club.

Signup times are from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

All players must sign up even if they were on a team last year.

The Minor League is for players 9-10 years of age while T-Ball is for players 7-8 years old. Minor League players must be nine years old before Aug. 1 and must not be 11 years old until after July 31. T-Ballers must be seven years old by Aug. 1 and must not be nine years old until after July 31. No tryouts will be held.

Major League signup for players 11-12 years of age will also be held the same dates. Tryouts for players not already on a team will be held April 12,14, starting at 5:30 p.m. Players must be at both tryouts.

Registration fee is \$20 and players are required to bring their birth certificates to the tryouts. Call Al Ferguson at 669-6960 after 5 p.m. if further information is



### **Alcott wins Dinah Shore tournament**

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Amy Alcott stood on the 18th green at Mission Hills Country Club and weighed a tough decision — to plunge or not to

Finally, taking the advice of her caddy, Bill Kurre, Alcott leaped into the lake that surrounds the green.

'Bill told me, 'Kid, you may never get a chance to do this again here in your lifetime," Alcott said Sunday after she celebrated her victory in the \$500,000 Dinah Shore Tournament by going for a brief dip.

"I didn't know how deep it was; wondered if I'd break a leg. But then I said, 'What the heck, it's worth it."

Alcott, 32, was elated with the victory, her second in the Dinah

fering from cancer.

Indians hoping to end Hough's hex

ERA against the Rangers.

vided they could get on base.

Edwards has no secret strategy for turning

the tables on Hough, although Cleveland will

counter with its own knuckleball pitcher.

Tom Candiotti, who is 3-0 with a 1.75 career

on base, we can possibly steal some bases on

the knuckler," Edwards said. "The type of

team that could beat Charlie Hough is a Car-

dinal-type team with a lot of speed - pro-

balks this season, Edwards said it might be

easier for Cleveland runners to get a jump on

"If they keep calling the balk rule on him,

we'll stand a better chance," Edwards said.

"He uses everything he can to keep runners

With umpires watching more closely for

'If we can get Julio Franco or Joe Carter

Shore, for many reasons. For one, she had said she wanted to win for a friend, 25year-old Ann Paulson, who is suf-

The win also ended the longest winless streak of Alcott's career and made her only the third player in LPGA history to hit the \$2 million plateau in career earn-

Alcott's cooling swim also came after runnerup Colleen Walker had put the heat on the leader during the final round.

Alcott had a closing 1-underpar 71 for a 14-under-par 274 total. a tournament record. But she finished just two shots in front of Walker, who had a final-round 69 after trailing Alcott by four strokes when the day began.

"It got a little tight, but I just had to play my game," said Alcott, who built her lead to two shots with a birdie on No. 14, then didn't let Walker any closer.

Walker, who has won just one tournament since joining the LPGA Tour in 1982, said the pressure was on Alcott.

Indeed, Hough balked nine times in a

Edwards said Hough's domination of the

"It seems like every ballclub has a pitcher

that gives them trouble," Edwards said.

"When I was at Kansas City, we were a last-

place team and Minnesota was a first-place

team, but we had Dave Wickersham and Min-

nesota couldn't beat him. All he had to do was

throw his glove out there and we'd win. It was

the same thing with (Detroit's) Frank Lary.

It can be dangerous to try too hard to beat a

pitcher like Hough, Edwards said, because

hitters might wind up fouling up their swings

spring exhibition game against Toronto.

Indians has plenty of precedents.

The Yankees couldn't touch him.

for several days.

### Harvesters host Lobos

round.

The Pampa Harvesters will try and knock off one of the district leaders in a District 1-4A baseball game today at Harvester Stadium.

Levelland, which is in a threeway tie for first in district, comes to town for a 4:30 p.m. makeup game. The game was previously scheduled to be played Saturday, but was postponed due to wet weather.

Tuesday, the Harvesters host Dumas at 4:30 p.m.

District 1-4A (overall record in brackets) Hereford 4-1 (11-1) Canyon 4-1 (9-5) Levelland 4-1 (7-7) Dunbar 4-2 (9-7) Estacado 3-3 (8-7) Pampa 2-3 (7-5) Borger 1-4 (6-9)

### Play ball! Major League season opens

Alcott enjoys victory splash with her caddy.

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - The Cleveland Indi-

ans don't plan any dramatic offensive adjust-

ments in an effort to end Charlie Hough's

imposing 12-game winning streak against

make them Punch-and-Judies for a day."

said Indians' Manager Doc Edwards, whose

team faces Hough in tonight's regular-season

Hough, a right-handed knuckleball pitcher,

'We have a fastball-hitting ballclub, lots of

has a 15-4 career record against the Indians.

free swingers," Edwards said. "So a knuck-

leball pitcher gives us trouble. I heard he was

4-0 against the Oakland A's last year, and

they didn't even come close to him. At least

we knocked him out of the box once.

opener in Texas.

"You can't take power hitters and try to

By BEN WALKER **AP Baseball Writer** 

Rick Mahler hopes to duplicate his opening day magic while Dave Stewart, Rick Sutcliffe and the Minnesota Twins want to repeat last year's success starting today when the 1988 baseball season begins.

Kirk Gibson, Dave Parker. Jack Clark, Phil Bradley, Brett **Butler and Floyd Bannister lead** an array of familiar faces in new places. A half-dozen managers, including Billy Martin, start this season fresh with their teams, full of the April optimism that springs eternal.

I'm excited. There's anticipation," Kansas City Manager John Wathan said. "You get butterflies in your stomach. There is butterflies in the players, the coaches, the manager, the people in the front office. It's always there until the first pitch and then it goes away and it's baseball."

Roger Clemens, trying to become the first to win three straight Cy Young awards, was to throw the first pitch of the season this afternoon when Detroit played at Boston. Later, St. Louis was at Cincinnati in the traditional National League opener.

Nine games were scheduled today, including Cleveland at Texas and Seattle at Oakland tonight.

Tuesday's openers are Minnesota at New York, Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, San Diego at Houston and the Chicago Cubs at

Stewart, a 20-game winner, and Mark Langston, a 19-game winner with Seattle, meet when the Mariners play at Oakland.

A sellout crowd of 47,000 is expected to watch the A's, who have added Parker to Mark McGwire and Jose Canseco in a modernday Murderer's Row. The Twins are trying to become

the first team to win consecutive

World Series championships since the 1978 Yankees Frank Viola, the World Series

Most Valuable Player, will start against New York's Rick Rhoden. Viola does not have to face Clark, the Yankees' free agent who begins the season in a familiar place — the disabled list.

At Atlanta, Mahler and Sutcliffe are the starters Tuesday night. Mahler has pitched 34 straight scoreless innings on opening days, giving up just 13 hits, and

three consecutive shutouts. Chris Short and Rip Sewell are the only others with three shutouts on opening day.

Sutcliffe, 18-10 last year, and the other Cubs starters might have to work overtime this season since relief ace Lee Smith was traded to Boston.

At Kansas City, college basketball is the big story as Oklahoma and Kansas play tonight for the NCAA championship. There was a good matchup in town this afternoon — Toronto's Jimmy Key, the American League earned-run average leader, against Kansas City's Bret Saberhagen.

Some of the Royals and Blue Jays were hoping their opener didn't go into extra innings they've got tickets to the basketball game. Saberhagen and teammates George Brett, Mark Gubicza and Bud Black are going together from Royals Stadium to Kemper Arena for basketball with hard-to-get tickets obtained by Saberhagen's agent.

Thad Bosley, a utility player with the Royals, was to sing the national anthem before the Kansas City-Toronto game. Bosley recently made a record album. In other opening day festivi-

ties, Olympic hero Bonnie Blair and Texas tot Jessica McClure make ceremonial first pitches. Blair, a speedskater who won a

gold medal in the 500 meters, was

to throw out the first ball at Com-

iskey Park before California plays at Chicago. Blair is from Champaign, Ill.

McClure will try to toss out the first ball before the Cleveland-Texas opener. McClure, now 2 years old, was the Midland, Texas, infant trapped in a well for 58 hours last October

Other openers this afternoon featured Milwaukee at Baltimore, San Francisco at Los Angeles and the New York Mets at Montreal.

#### Boosters to meet

There will be a Harvester Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m. tonight in the high school athletic office. Fund-raising projects and the budget will be among the items discussed.

All booster club members are urged to attend the meeting.

#### Dumas 1-4 (4-8) Frenship 1-5 (1-6)

Wheeler boys second

at Sudan track meet

Bubba Smith of Wheeler won both the shot (51-11) and discus (166-5) at the Hornet Relays in Sudan last weekend.

Grayson Benson, also of Wheeler, won the pole vault (12-6) while Brent Thompson of Groom placed first in the long jump (20-0%). Wheeler's Bubba Smith also placed second in the long jump  $(19-7\frac{1}{2}).$ 

Other area placings were Stoney Crump, second, Groom, high jump (6-0); Richard Smith, Wheeler, second, shot (48-8); Chad Bentley, third, Wheeler, 800 (2:09.09); D. Smith, third, Wheeler, 110 high hurdles (15.41).

Sudan won the meet with 133 points while Wheeler was second with 851/2 and Groom was fourth

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Tech's Weatherspoon reaches goal of winning women's title.

(AP Laserphoto

Vickie Orr, who scored 11

points despite being bothered by

sore knees, sank a 10-foot jumper

to tie the game at 53-53 with 59

seconds to play. But Lawson put

Tech ahead for good at 55-53 on a

16-footer with 39 seconds re-

After Tech's Nora Lewis made

one of two free throws with 25

seconds to go. Auburn had a

chance to regain the lead. But

Westbrooks blocked Diann

McNeil's shot on a baseline drive

and, on the ensuing jump ball,

Weatherspoon made a free

Lawson added 10 points for the

Weatherspoon, Westbrooks.

Bolton and McNeil made the alltournament team, along with

Long Beach State's Penny Toler.

A crowd of 8,448 watched the title

Louisiana Tech 56, Auburn 54

Louisiana Tech 56, Auburn 54
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6. Totals 26-50-48-56.
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1-4 1-2 3, Orr 5-12 1-2 11, McNeil 5-11 5-6 16,
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game at the Tacoma Dome.

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throw with three seconds to play

Tech was awarded the ball.

to complete the scoring.

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# Louisiana Tech rallies

By BOB BAUM **AP Sports Writer** 

TACOMA, Wash. - For the second year in a row, a Louisiana Tech pratfall in the championship game of the NCAA women's basketball tournament seemed a distinct possibility. "We were flat on our backs, no

doubt about it." Lady Techsters Coach Leon Barmore said.

But the team from Rustin, La., used a tough defense, strong rebounding and clutch shooting down the stretch Sunday to rally from a 14-point deficit and beat Auburn 56-54.

The Lady Techsters, 32-2, won the title for the second time in the tournament's seven year history. They also captured the first championship in 1982.

A year ago, Louisiana Tech was blown out by Tennessee 67-44 in the title game, and the Techsters had made no secret of their desire to make amends.

"I was embarrassed last year," Barmore said. "I was embarrassed for the game of basketball. I was embarrassed because it was on national TV. I was embarrassed because I didn't think I'd done a good job. I just felt I'd let a lot of people down.

"I don't think I let anybody down this year.'

rage in the sixth inning Sunday.

game without giving up a run.

finished their exhibition schedule at 15-14-1.

finished 17-17, after losing eight of their last 10 games

Trillo and Rafael Palmeiro collected two hits apiece.

Chicago Cubs.

Rangers outlast Cubs

for exhibition victory

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - Steve Buechele hit a three-run homer to

Buechele, who had a grand slam Saturday against the Cubs, hit the

Buechell drove in another run with a double, while teammates Pete

The Cubs, who open their regular season Tuesday night in Atlanta,

Darrin Jackson hit a two-run homer and Ryne Sanberg had three

Mike Jeffcoat, 2-0, was credited with the victory after allowing only

one Cubs run after the sixth inning. He was relieved with two out in the

ninth by Mitch Williams, the only one of eight pitchers to work the

hits for Chicago in Sunday's game. Andre Dawson, Jody Davis, Manny

three-run homer off Jamie Moyer, 2-4, during a five-run Ranger bar-

O'Brien and Curtis Wilkerson had three hits each for the Rangers, who

lead the Texas Rangers to a 12-9 exhibition baseball victory over the

"I think we all thought about last year's game quite a bit.' Louisiana Tech playmaker Teresa Weatherspoon said. "We felt we let the university down, too.

"When we were down by so many points, we just kept telling outselves we can't let that happen again, so let's just keep fighting.'

The fiery, 5-foot-8 senior led that fight. After giving up 16 points to Auburn's Ruthie Bolton in the first half. Weatherspoon held her scoreless after intermis-

Weatherspoon, meanwhile, had seven assists and only one turnover in the final 20 minutes while helping force Bolton into six turnovers.

Auburn, 32-3 and ranked third in the final poll of the season, led the fifth-ranked Lady Techsters 31-19 at halftime and scored the first basket of the second half to

build the margin to 14. Barmore benched 6-foot-4 Venus Lacy in favor of a quicker lineup, and the rally began.

The Techsters finally caught the Lady Tigers at 51-51 on Angela Lawson's 15-footer with 3:02 remaining.

Erica Westbrooks, who tied her career high with 25 points and was named the Final Four's most valuable player, followed with a steal and layup to give Tech a 53-51 lead.

#### Pigeon race results

A Top of Texas Racing Pigeon Club (old bird) series was held recently with the station at Chil-

dress Airline distance was 100 miles. 1. Pat Coats, DC-H, 1,091.580 ypm; 2. Pat Coats, RC-C, 1,085.440 ypm; 3. Pat Coats, DC-H, 1,062.080 ypm; 4. Doug Keller, Sil.-H, 1,054,545 ypm; 5. Doug Keller, BC-H, 1,050.843 ypm; 6. Matt Cochran, BC-H, 976.622 ypm; 7. Pat Coats, RC-H, 950.770 ypm; 8. Pat Coats, DC-H, 946.720 ypm; 9. Maron Waldrop, RC-C, 937.080 ypm; 10. Walter Thoms, BB-C, 934.154 ypm; 11. Jim Cantrell, Griz.-H, 919.863 ypm; 12. Marion Waldrop, BC-C, 895.805 ypm; 13. Walter Thoms, Black-H, 874.645 ypm; 14. Feather Downs, Sil.-H, 791.315 ypm.

#### Eight former champs among Indy entries

had four of his seven

Indy-car victories a year

1984, when he shared

ner-up Roberto Guer-

Other entries were re-

ger, Spike Gehlhausen

Another entry listed

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of the cars.

and Dick Ferguson.

By STEVE HERMAN **AP Sports Writer** 

INDIANAPOLIS -Eight former winners, five rookies, a handful of grandfathers, a county judge and enough Andrettis for a family reunion are among the drivers named on entries for the May 29 Indianapo-

The entry deadline passed at midnight Friday, although the Speedway will accept any late arrivals that were postmarked before that time. Usually, there are several stragglers which boost the final entry total.

As of Sunday, 78 cars and 33 drivers had been entered for the 72nd running of the world's richest automobile race, which last year paid a record purse of \$4.5 million.

The entries include Al Unser, who became the oldest Indy winner in history a year ago and will turn 49 next month on race day. Unser, one of the racing granddads whose son, Al Jr., also is entered, last year matched the record of four Indy 500 victories established by A.J. Foyt in 1977.

Grandfathers Foyt, 53, who has raced in a record 30 Indy 500s; Mario Andretti, 48, trying for his 24th start, and Dick Simon, 54, who has driven in 16 previous races and is the oldest known starter in Indy history, also are entered. Three cars for Andret-

ti's son, Michael, runnerup to 1986 Indy winner Bobby Rahal in the season driver standings last year, were among 11 entries received by the Speedway on Friday.

John Andretti, Michael's cousin and the son of Mario's twin brother, Aldo Andretti, is among the group of Indy rookies.

Michael, 25. of Nazareth, Pa., was listed as the driver of three 1988 22.

#### Trail Blazers top Spurs PORTLAND, Ore. with 8:32 to go and the and Saturday, 8 p.m. 1600

(AP) — After losing four Trail Blazers trailing 88games, it looked like another defeat on the way for the Portland Trail Blazers.

But the first appearance by Kiki Vandeweghe since Feb. 24 sparked a late rally that turned into a 110-107 victory over the San Antonio Spurs Sunday night.

"It was tough until the 'Big V' - I'm talking about Kiki Vandeweghe," said Portland's Clyde Drxler. "He's a game buster, as you saw tonight. He opens it up for everybody."

Vandeweghe, whose bad back had kept him on the bench for the last 17 games, played four minutes in the first half and re-entered the contest all scorers with 24 points.

a shot but Duckworth tipball appeared to be sitting on the rim. "I thought it was offen-

two assists and had a key

points and 13 rebounds

sive goaltending," said San Antonio's Frank Brickowski.

"I didn't think so," said Duckworth, who led

came in first in the 100 at

12.85. White Deer's 1600-

meet title with 95 points

cess, Miniature Schnauz-

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second place in Open

### White Deer girls take third in Canyon meet White Deer girls take third in Canyon meet McConnell LOUNGE, fully equipped, including 2 pool tables. Same location 29 years. Renter keeps all money from pool tables. Rent reduced from \$225 per month to \$175. 669-9961, 865 W. Foster. third in Canyon meet

CANYON - White while Stacy McConnell Deer placed third with 65 points in the Canyon Girls Track Relays last weekend.

The Does captured two first-places in the meet. Monica Virgi won the 800 with a time of 2:26.95

#### TOT Kennel Club results

4:15.16

Class.

second with 72.

Top O' Texas Kennel Club members claimed several honors during re- Talley, White Deer, took cent AKC Sanctioned Matches. At a match sponsored

by Faith City Kennel Club in Wichita Falls, the following Top O' Texas members took awards: don Talley, won Puppy Class and was Reserve Winners Bitch. Lady Tennaha, English Bulldog, owned by Ronnie and Deborah Sta-

At the Heart of Plains Kennel Club Sanctioned pleton, Pampa, took Match in Lubbock, fourth in the Puppy awards were given to: Addison, Collie owned Class Ch. Glengloamin's by Frankie Wallis, Pam-

Best of Times II, West pa, took second in overall Puppy Class and Best of Highland Terrier, owned by James and Laura Breed Weese, White Deer, won Velvett, Pomeranian. Best of Breed and Group owned by Mona Wheat, Four in the Terrier

Pampa, took first in Santa's Night Prin-Class and Best of Breed.

**ADventures** 





Sun. 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

2 Area Museums

Sauce, an experienced Pampa. Tuesday through Sun-Formula Ford driver on day 1:30-4 p.m., special tours by the Sports Car Club of PANHANDLE Plains Historical

America circuit but a Museum: Canyon. Regular rookie in Indy cars, was entered in a March-Cosworth by Mergard's Northside Inc. of Cincinnati.

PANHANDLE Plains Historical Museum: Canyon. Regular museum bours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 2-6 p.m. Sundays at Lake Meredith Aquarium & Wildlife Museum: Fritch. Hours 2-5 p.m. Tuesday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Closed Monday.

Other rookies entered SQUARE House Museum: earlier were Bill Vukovich III, whose grandfather won the Indy 500 in 1953 and 1954 and whose father drove 14 times in the square form of the the race, Canadian driv-Sunday. PIONEER West Museum: er John Jones, and Scott Shamrock. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, Atchison of Bakersfield, Saturday and Sunday. ALANREED-McLean Area His-

ALANREED-McLean Area Historical Museum: McLean. Reg. Mears.
Besides Unser, Mario Andretti, Foyt, Mears and Rahal, the other former winners entered in the race are Johnny Sunday and Saturday. the race are Johnny Saturday.
Rutherford, a three-time Indy champ, and Tom a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Weekends durant to the saturday of the Plains: Perryton. Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Weekends durant to 5:30 p.m. Weekends durant to 5:30 p.m.

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### Female impersonator wrote hot checks to finance ruse

FORT WORTH (AP) - Hilton Williams faces two state prison sentences totaling 14 years, but he isn't singing the blues while he sits behind the bars of the Tarrant County Jail.

Williams, a female impersonator, said he plans to keep on profiting from his nearly year-long scheme of passing himself off as rhythm-and-blues recording artist Shirley Murdock and signing her name to about \$20,000 of worthless checks. He said he plans to write a book and make a movie about his exploits.

"I want to go straight when I get out," he said. "Now that I realize I do have talent, I want to use my talent and skill to enhance my career.

'I'll be glad when everything's over," he said, "and we can start making some money off of it."

The real Shirley Murdock, who made the hit single, "As We Lay," has performed on network television and toured widely.

But Williams cashed in on her fame by posing as Ms. Murdock and convincing her fans, acquaintances and club owners that he was the real thing.

'Maybe I've always had the ability," he told the Dallas Morning News. "It's so easy for people to like me. Even some of the people who I told, 'I'm not Shirley Murdock' - they still hung around.

Williams' engaging personality on several occasions has turned the somber courtroom into a comedy corner.

"He's a super con," said Tarrant County prosecutor Mike

"It's just beyond belief," says his attorney, Steven Stavron.

Williams, a soft-spoken man, 5 feet 7 and 187 pounds, said he began to impersonate Ms. Murdock after seeing her on "Soul Train."

"Everybody said I looked just like her, sang just like her." he said. "I just thought that was the way to go."

Williams was arrested at a Washington hotel in December when a clerk caught wind of his ruse. He was returned to Texas to face theft charges in Walker and Tarrant counties.

In the Tarrant County case, Williams was accused of writing a series of worthless checks in February 1987 under his own name to buy women's clothing, a handbag and shoes. He later wore the items when impersonating Ms. Murdock.

"I was just doing it for fun at first," Williams said in a recent interview at the county jail. "But it got so big, and I started to make some money, so I said, 'Let's jump on this.

He signed Ms. Murdock's name on about \$20,000 in worthless checks during his travels to Washington, Chicago, New York, Miami and Atlanta.

Williams is awaiting transfer to the Texas Department of Corrections to begin serving two prison sentences - 10 years from a court in Walker County for theft and four years from a court in Tarrant County for theft by

Williams said he doesn't know when he discovered his ability to deceive, but officials said that long before he began impersonating Ms. Murdock he was an accomplished hot-check artist.

Several years ago, he drove off in a new Jaguar after writing a \$20,000 bad check, officials said. His impersonation also caught

national media attention. The Washington Post carried a lengthy feature on his case in January

Williams was born in Picayune, Miss., and his parents separated before he was born.

### Jackson confronting race issue head-on

AMERY, Wis. (AP) — Jesse Jackson faced a big crowd of farmers in this northern Wisconsin town, almost all of them white, and the black presidential candidate tackled their racial difference head-on.

There were three farmers out in Iowa debating this issue of race." the Democratic hopeful began. "They said, 'You know, we found out something - Jesse Jackson is

Jackson smiled. "Well, you all found out late. I've been with the program for a long time.

But that's just the beginning of the story. Race is an issue in the 1988 Democratic presidential race, seen by many as one of the major roadblocks between Jackson and a

spot on the national ticket. Poll after poll has shown a substantial number of Americans uneasy about a black president.

But this year, Jackson has been expanding his support well beyond the solid backing of black voters, taking up to 22 percent of the white vote in the Connecticut primary. And polls in Wisconsin show him doing even better here among white voters - farmers, students and blue-collar workers.

Part of the change has come as he has shifted his message.

In 1988, Jackson has emphasized his economic message over the social justice theme that was the centerpiece of his 1984 campaign. The 1984 rhetoric of "We don't want welfare; we don't want workfare; we want

our share" has changed only in the final phrase for 1988: "We want our fair share."

Jackson worked hard after 1984 to broaden his circle of advisers and to build support among groups he had failed to court successfully. He labored to make his Rainbow Coalition a reality

"I've watched us grow in this campaign from racial battleground to economic common ground and move on to moral higher ground," he said at Amery.

The civil rights leader, one of the most eloquent men to seek the presidency, also has worked out many ways to deal with race as an issue — with metaphors, humor and careful

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### Is a recession inevitable?

By JOHN CUNNIFF **AP Business Analyst** 

NEW YORK (AP) - As the economic expansion grows in years, exceeding almost any other "peacetime" expansion in U.S. history, it is producing an odd byproduct, a sense of foreboding about the next recession.

Will there be a recession? It's a sure thing; bet all your money on

If anything is certain in economics it is that expansion and contraction follow and precede each other, each a parent and child of the other, each a cause and effect at one and the same time.

But will there be a recession within the year? The answer is that nobody knows, no matter how much they talk about the the growing age of the expansion and insist that it must soon shrivel and totter from old age.

The message is an important one: While traditional economics is wedded to the notion that long expansions are doomed to fade because of their age, there is growing evidence that this is not necessarily the case.

The message is contained in a study of recessions by Byron Higgins, vice president and economist of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, and published in the bank's "Economic Review."

Higgins notes that business cycles, or expansions and contractions, were fairly predictable before World War II, but have been less predictable since then. To wit: The 20 U.S. economic

expansions from 1854 to 1933 lasted an average of 25 months, and the corresponding recessions lasted an average of 22 months. This experience gave rise to the

belief that an internal dynamic dictated the business cycle. There was, it was felt, a regular - even periodic - cycle: A recession of a bit less than two years, followed by a two-year ex-

The most popular explanation

was that as expansions lengthened they bred excesses and imbalances, such as falling productivity and rising wages and prices, that led to a downfall. In turn, the recession corrected things

But, says Higgins, postwar evidence is not consistent with the traditional business cycle theory.

It leads him to conclude that an economic expansion lasting more than five years "is no longer so unusual that a recession should be considered imminent merely because the expansion has continued for a long time.

But nobody needs to be told that traditions die hard. With each passing month the talk about recession has grown more insistent. And the stock market crash of last October puncutated those fears with an exclamation point.

In November, Blue Chip Economic Forecasts, published by economist Robert Eggert, found 35 percent of the forecasters it surveyed felt a recession was under way or would begin in 1988, a jump from 8 percent in September.

But, many will be inclined to wonder - as did Higgins - if an especially sharp decline in the market is a more accurate forecaster. He checked. No, he found, the market's predictive power actually deteriorates instead.

Nevertheless, he regards the Oct. 19 crash as unique, explaining that it was "so distinctive that it is outside the bounds of historical experience.

But the evidence he amasses does carry two reassuring mes-

1. Just because an expansion is statistically old doesn't mean it is doomed because of its own internal dynamics.

2. The stock market's record as a forecaster is so weak that it 'provides a cautionary note to any confident prediction that the stock market decline last year makes a recession in 1988 inevit-



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