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City turns down request for ambulance rate hike

By BEAR MILLS
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Pampa city commissioners turned down a rate increase request from Rural/Metro Paramedic Ambulance that would have meant as much as \$30,000 in additional gross revenue to the company.

The unanimous vote to deny the request came during their Tuesday night meeting at City Hall.

Representatives from Rural/Metro had proposed that four areas of service receive rate increases: basic life support rate (\$8 increase), mileage (from \$3.50 per mile to \$7.50 per patient-loaded mile), infection control (from no charge to \$15) and chirochotomy—a life-saving device for those with extreme facial injuries—(from no charge to \$29.70).

"We are seeing an increase in our insurance costs," said Malcom Sweeney, a Rural/Metro general manager. "And some patients could see a reduction in charges (under the proposed change in mileage) due to their proximity to the hospital."

Under Rural/Metro's plan, transported patients would only be charged for the time they are actually in the ambulance, rather than mileage to pick them up and from the hospital back to the ambulance garage.

Sweeney said that such a rate change would allow users of Rural/Metro to write more of their expenses off to insurance.

"I think we ought to be talking about decreases instead of increases," said Commissioner Ray Hupp, apparently echoing the sentiments of the commission.

Commissioner Richard Peet said that Rural/Metro's request was part of an endless increase in medical costs.

"At what point does the vicious cycle stop? When are we over-insured or under-insured? If all of (our costs) continue to go up, at what point do we say we can't afford any more?" Peet asked.

Sweeney told Peet that the issue of across-the-board health costs would have to be dealt with on the national level.

After the meeting, City Manager Bob Hart said it was the first instance he knew of in any city where the entire rate increase of Rural/Metro was turned down.

City staff will begin negotiations with Rural/Metro officials regarding revised rates.

Pampa city officials have considered a plan to terminate the contract with Rural/Metro and begin a city-run ambulance service. Mayor David McDaniel said that would still

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Court tackles civil rights case

By JAMES H. RUBIN
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WASHINGTON (AP) — As apprehensive civil rights advocates look on, the Supreme Court is hearing arguments that will help it decide whether to overturn a key 1976 decision used to fight racial discrimination.

The justices today were scheduled to hear arguments on whether they should reverse the 12-year-old ruling that allows people to sue private citizens accused of bias.

Their decision is expected in 1989.

The court sent shock waves through the civil rights community last April when it announced it would explore the issue in a case from North Carolina involving charges of on-the-job racial harassment.

While no party to the North Carolina case urged the court to reconsider the 1976 precedent, the justices by a 5-4 vote took the extraordinary step of acting on their own initiative to call for a reexamination.

The dissenters said the move threatens to undermine the faith minorities have placed in the high court.

The attorneys general of nearly every state, a majority of U.S. senators, a significant minority in the House and more than 100 civil rights and public interest groups are urging the court not to tamper with the 1976 ruling.

The Reagan administration, meanwhile, is not taking an official position. The Justice Department



Justice Kennedy

said it will sit out the controversy, declining to offer its views in a "friend-of-the-court" legal brief.

In addition to its practical effect, the case is expected to have a major psychological impact and provide a tip-off on the future direction of the court.

Liberals and conservatives alike are watching closely to see whether the addition of Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, President Reagan's most recent appointee, will solidify a conservative majority and lead to dismantling of a number of precedents established earlier by the court.

The 1976 ruling, called Runyon vs. McCrary, held that racially segregated private schools which refuse to admit blacks violate the Civil Rights Act of 1866.

That law was enacted to ensure recently freed slaves all the rights of citizenship.

The 12-year-old decision allows civil rights groups to use the 1866 law as a weapon to attack private discrimination in all forms.

For example, no other federal law bars racially segregated private schools. Also, the law provides for heavy punitive damages against those found to have practiced discrimination. And the statute is a key recourse for those challenging bias in the sale of private homes.

Today's case stems from an appeal by Brenda Patterson, a black woman, who wanted to use the 1866 law to force her employer, McLean Credit Union, to pay actual and punitive damages for alleged harassment.

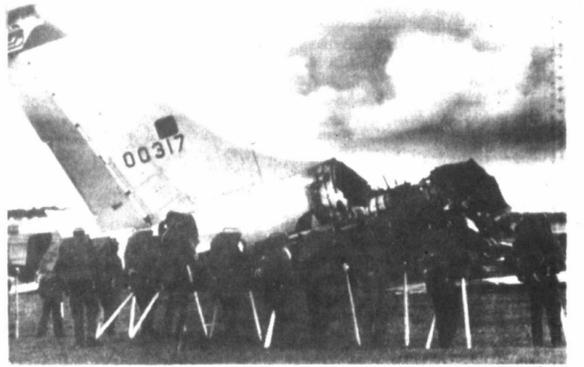
The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in 1986 upheld a ruling by a federal judge in Winston-Salem, N.C., throwing out her suit.

The appeals court said Patterson could not use the Civil War-era law to charge racial harassment. The appeals court said the law is designed only to ban racial discrimination in hiring, firing and promotion.

Patterson still could charge racial harassment under a 1964 civil rights law.

But the more recent statute only grants back pay to those who win their lawsuits, not potentially heavy money damages awarded as compensation for emotional and mental suffering.

Patterson, who worked as a teller and file coordinator at McLean Credit Union for 10 years until she was laid off in 1982, said her boss repeatedly harassed her because she is black.



Airmen look for evidence at scene of plane crash Tuesday afternoon.

Six killed in plane crash

OSCODA, Mich. (AP) — A training exercise for a fire crew at an Air Force base turned into a life-and-death struggle when a tanker plane crashed, killing all six crew members and injuring 10 passengers.

The Air Force said today it hadn't determined the cause of the crash Tuesday afternoon at Wurtsmith Air Force Base. A board of officers will be appointed to investigate the crash.

Wurtsmith, located near Lake Huron, is one of two Michigan bases in the Strategic Air Command. Nineteen B-52 bombers armed with nuclear-tipped cruise missiles and nuclear bombs are based at Wurtsmith.

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The KC-135 Stratotanker, a four-engine plane used to refuel other planes, was returning to the base from a mission to K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base in Michigan's Upper Peninsula when it crashed and burned, said Staff Sgt. Donald Lawber, a spokesman at Wurtsmith in the northeastern Lower Peninsula.

The six crew members died at the scene, authorities said. Eight of the 10 injured were treated and released from the 379th Strategic Hospital at the base, Staff Sgt. Albert Fleming said. Two people admitted to the base hospital were in good condition today.

The base's firefighters had just completed a training exercise when the accident occurred, and they quickly doused the flames, said Air Force Sgt. Gene Babble.

The 10 passengers, all military personnel, were being brought to Wurtsmith from K.I. Sawyer to participate in a base inspection, part of preparation for an inspection by officials from Strategic Air Command headquarters in Omaha, Neb., said Anita Bailey, spokeswoman for K.I. Sawyer.

Coronado Hospital holding firm fiscally

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
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Rural hospitals all around Pampa flounder in a sea of financial worries, fighting to keep their doors open — or, in the case of Borger's Golden Plains Hospital, finding the only alternative is to close the doors.

Understandably, local citizens have watched these developments and have become concerned about their own hospital's financial stability and its ability to give quality care.

"I've had people come to me and ask me if we're going to have those problems, too," commented Linda Haynes, public relations director for Coronado Hospital.

For the moment, she said, Coronado Hospital stands financially sound, through efficient management methods and the backing of its affiliate, HealthTrust Inc.

"It pays to be affiliated with a large company, although this hospital stands on its own," said Jerry D. Pressley, controller.

Most of the woes of rural hospitals can be attributed to a variety of causes, most of which lead back to increased government control and less payment in the Medicare/Medicaid programs.



Haynes

Pressley credits Coronado's ability to hold firm through a rocky period for most rural hospitals to successful anticipatory changes and then responding to them.

"There was a time when this hospital was in a situation where it was not going to do well," the controller explained. Anticipatory increased government regulation while cutting back on Medicare/Medicaid payments, he said, the hospital officials

gained the Medicare designation of "sole community provider status." This means a slightly higher government reimbursement, or \$194,000 in 1987, he said, adding that Coronado also created a skilled nursing unit.

Since the changes in Medicare/Medicaid regulations for doctors and hospitals which took effect in 1983, payments for Medicare/Medicaid patients have become the make-or-break point for most rural hospitals.

In 1987, the controller's records show that Coronado Hospital provided more than \$1 million in care for patients for which it did not receive any reimbursement because of the patients' inability to pay.

In addition, the Medicare/Medicaid discount taken by the federal government totals approximately \$4.84 million, records show. Last year, Coronado Hospital provided \$5.96 million in care for which it did not receive payment, almost 30 percent of one year's revenue.

No hospital can swallow a financial loss such as that and stay alive for long, hospital officials agree. So how does Coronado Hospital survive?

If Medicare or Medicaid paid what private insurance pays,

Coronado Hospital records indicate the daily charges for inpatient care could be lowered \$171.90 a day.

In a letter to the Raleigh, N.C., *News and Observer*, dated Sept. 6, Arnold Nunnery, chief executive officer of Iredell Memorial Hospital, Statesville, N.C., stated, "The payment system forces hospitals to charge more to those who can pay in order that hospitals can administer the care to those that cannot pay. The system also makes the hospital a social agency to collect from those who can pay to enable the federal government to carry out the promises made years ago when the Medicare and Medicaid programs began."

Nunnery said in the letter his hospital could lower its daily charge by \$204.40 per day if Medicare/Medicaid payments equalled the cost of care.

While the two hospitals' records were quite close, Coronado Hospital, through creative management, has been able to contain to some extent the costs passed on to other patients.

Many area hospitals have lost even more from Medicare/Medicaid because recordkeeping practices have not met govern-

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Privatization limited only by imagination of private sector

This is the fourth in a series of articles on privatization, a means of increasing services to a community while reducing taxes. This article deals with the possibilities of privatization.

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

In 1948 a man living on the outskirts of Phoenix, Ariz., watched his neighbor's house burn down. So did the Phoenix Fire Department. The house was not in the city limits, so the Phoenix firefighters would not battle the blaze.

Spurred by anger and a desire to protect his own home, Lou Witzman, a newspaper reporter, took his \$900 life savings and made a down-payment on a fire-ruck.

From these beginnings came the Rural/Metro Corp., which grossed approximately \$50 million in 1987.

Rural/Metro serves 50 communities in six states and is one of the nation's best examples of "privatization."

"Rural/Metro's philosophy is to break with tradition and look for the best, smartest way to operate," said Sue Brossart, a Rural/Metro spokeswoman. She said that Rural/Metro

offers the same or better service than a city could provide for itself at a substantial savings. Like most "privateers," she said this is due to the profit motive and a lack of government red tape.

"In the beginning, there was no master plan, just a desire to provide a service that was affordable and dependable. We've continued to expand at an annual rate of 20 percent.

"We do that by always being on the lookout for ways to be more efficient," Brossart said.

That private industry desires to provide an essential service at essential savings is the root of all privatization efforts.

Privatization: Curbing taxes

"Privatization is a thing that is really catching on. You're going to hear a lot more about it in the next few years," Brossart said.

Rural/Metro, based in Scottsdale, Ariz., now provides ambulance, fire, dispatch and fleet maintenance services to a variety of cities. Pampa and Borger use Rural/Metro for ambulance and emergency medical technician services.

A local Rural/Metro employee dispelled the "myth" that privatized companies work more efficiently because they pay their employees less than governmental entities.

"We have a stock ownership program and employee participation programs as well as very good health and dental insurance," one Pampa Rural/Metro employee said. "Our programs and pay are certainly not any less than anybody else."

Randall Fitzgerald, a *Reader's Digest* editor who has written a book on privatization, credits the profit motive as the underlying factor.

And while many governmental officials on a variety of levels agree that the lack of a profit motive does not hinder their cost-effectiveness, most will agree that privatization is the trend of the future. That is a sentiment echoed by author John Naisbett in his book *Megatrends*.

Pro-privatization forces state flatly that such a movement would again give primary control of life to the individual, rather than Big Brother, the government.

"It's frightening to read the book 1984 and see how many of those things have already come true," said John Blundell, execu-

tive vice president of the Institute for Humane Studies at George Mason University.

Blundell, an economist and former London, England, city councilman, said he has seen the extremes of a society directed by socialism. He believes that the vast majority of Americans and residents of Western Europe are "fed up" with government intervention in their lives.

"Only under load shedding [governmental bodies returning responsibility for primary services to private individuals and companies and only monitoring their effectiveness] can individual choice be catered to. Only under load-shedding do we have the open-market discovery process which generates the knowledge we require," Blundell said.

He cites cable television as a primary example in which individuals would get better service if cities would open the market to competition.

In Pampa, the example hits close to home. Sammons Communications received a host of complaints about its service. Yet only as the franchise contract with the city neared renewal did the company offer to improve service. Sammons officials have previously told *The Pampa News*

that their lack of responsiveness "may have been a mistake."

Blundell argues that if the city did not grant exclusive franchises, such a situation would never have arisen.

The future of privatization, Blundell and others say, is only as limited as the private sector's imagination. Many cities have loadshed garbage collection, saving their citizens hundreds of dollars annually because competition tends to drive the price down.

In Scottsdale the fire department is privatized. In San Antonio a former activist for the poor began a privatized program to end the welfare cycle. Within six months over 500 women had been taken off the welfare roles and put into private sector jobs.

Fitzgerald contends that the amount of privatization in a community is the direct result of the amount of ingenuity and conviction within the private sector in that area.

Next: Privatization on the state and federal level.



Paramedic Lon Robertson checks over ambulance emergency equipment.

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ment standards.

"Medicare reviews 3 percent of the charts six times a year to make sure we do everything right. Medicaid reviews 100 percent of the records 12 times a year," explained Anne Bolen, director of medical records. "If we make a mistake, they take their money back," she said.

Federally-imposed DRGs (diagnosis related group) have proven to be an anathema to hospitals and doctors alike. In the late 1970s, a group of legislators sent medical data collected from hospital records nationwide to a group of researchers from the Harvard University School of Business, Haynes explained. They took the information and placed a dollar amount on each illness based on the national average.

DRGs are divided into 25 diagnostic categories, then subdivided according to specifics of the illness and complications, Bolen said. Medicare/Medicaid pay a flat rate for the specific DRG regardless of the actual cost of care, she said.

Using a complicated referral system and pre-determined formula while considering any contributing factors to the illness, Bolen said hospital record keepers must come up with the patient's DRG and the set charge for that particular DRG.

Once that has been done, "the attending physician must swear

—by law—that this is the diagnosis," she said.

"They have to," Bolen said. "Otherwise they could be held criminally and civilly liable. Everyone in the hospital can be penalized for 'maximizing.' We all know and are aware of that from the beginning."

Meticulous records are a part of what has kept Coronado Hospital fiscally sound, Haynes said.

Bolen is an accredited records technician with two years of college training. To be certified as an ART, she had to pass a national exam, and to keep her accreditation she must take 20 hours of continuing education each year.

Smaller rural hospitals do not have the funds for employees with that kind of training, Haynes said. Employees with less extensive training are not able to keep up with the constant changes in the Medicare/Medicaid system, she said, and improper records mean a loss in payments.

Judy Martin heads Coronado's utilization management department, created in 1983—again in anticipation of Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement changes. Her department reviews patients' charts continuously for necessity of stay and appropriateness of care, working closely with a committee of five staff physicians. She also works with attending physicians to determine correct documentation of records.

"It's my purpose to see if people need to be here and that they are being treated acutely," Mar-

tin said. Words like "acute" and "skilled" are used often at Coronado Hospital. Acute care is the term the public associates with care given in a hospital. Skilled care provided in the hospital's Extended Care Unit is less intensive, more like rehabilitative care.

One of the changes brought by higher hospital costs is shorter hospital stays, Martin explained. "They used to let (patients) stay until they were completely well and able to walk out onto the street. Now you see women having babies and going home the next day where they used to stay two weeks whether they needed to or not," she said.

"We let (patients) stay until they're still a little bit sick, but they don't need the acute care anymore. They may go to ECU or they may go home if they're ready," she said.

"They don't need to be in the hospital all that duration," she said.

"Medicare wanted to see that people were getting the appropriate level of care," explained Haynes. "Acute care is the most expensive. Skilled care is the less expensive alternative at the appropriate time. Our Extended Care Unit is a direct result of this."

"Unlike what some people may think, we admit any patient that a doctor says needs to be hospitalized," Haynes said. "Doctors know that if the admission doesn't meet certain criteria, the



Martin

Bolen

payment would be denied. So the doctor is protecting himself. He's protecting his license and he's protecting his good name."

Coronado's OP-23 unit was created with foresight to meeting this problem, Haynes said.

Doctors can't always know immediately if the patient needs to be admitted for treatment or not. By admitting the patient to OP-23, she said, doctors can take 23 hours to be certain of their decision and still remain within Medicare/Medicaid requirements for outpatient care.

Medicare/Medicaid has limited the length of stay for which the agencies will pay for each illness also, leaving it up to Martin's department to issue "denial letters." During her reviews of patient charts, Martin said she will sometimes see that a patient is no longer in need of acute care and is about to lose Medicare coverage.

Martin reviews the chart with the physicians committee and then goes over the chart once more with the attending physician to be certain the patient no longer needs acute care.

A denial is given only when it has been determined, after taking all these steps, that the patient is ready to go home, she said.

"A denial letter is given three days before the Medicare stops paying," Martin said. "It doesn't mean the patient has to go. The patient does not have to leave. It only means that after that time, the patient becomes responsible for the bill."

Should Medicare say a length of stay for a certain illness be five days, but because of complications the patient needs acute care for 15 days, the patient can continue to stay and not be responsible for the costs of the stay, she said.

"As long as the patient needs the care we want them to stay here," she said. "No one is going to come in there and say, 'Your time's up, you have to get out of here.'"

Measures such as these to meet the requirements of government regulation and contain the high cost of medical care have changed the face of the health care industry, Haynes said.

"There is no such thing as a non-profit hospital. There's no

such thing as indigent care," she said. "Any hospital, even if it says it's non-profit, has to maintain a certain amount to buy new equipment and keep itself going."

"Coronado pays a quarter million dollars a year in property tax and we pay sales tax," Haynes said. "The county has gained from having us. We're a heck of an asset to this town."

"We're always trying to do new things to bring people to our hospital and to our town," she said. "We're planning to kick off a new service — 'ValueCare' — for Medicare patients. If they have Medicare and an approved co-insurance, they can walk out of here without owing a penny."

Strong management techniques have bolstered Coronado through the recent upheavals caused by the changes in Medicare/Medicaid reimbursements, Haynes said.

"We're working to keep down bad debts through strong collection policies," she said. "We

maintain good inventory control, watch the number of employees and practice cost containment, and still maintain a beautiful building. We've recently replaced all the carpeting and wall covering in a constant effort to keep ahead. We cannot let down now."

"I feel Pampa is through the economic downturn. I think we've weathered the storm," she said.

However, clouds are appearing on the horizon as Congress readies to meet in January to discuss more changes that could affect hospitals nationwide.

Recent catastrophic care legislation could have a major impact, she said, as could the recent welfare reform bill.

"We'll just have to adjust," she said philosophically. "I'm trying not to sound like a PR person, but I'm proud our administration was on top of the DRG system and we were prepared for it ahead of time. I'm proud of our hospital."

Educator addresses local group on misconceptions about dyslexia

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

A former public school teacher, who now specializes in helping teachers deal with dyslexic students, addressed Pampa public and private school educators on misconceptions and techniques regarding dyslexic conditions Tuesday at Travis Elementary School.

Margaret Smith, a director at EDMAR Educational Service of Dallas, said that dyslexia is a term that has been widely misused and is not well understood.

"In a nutshell, it describes people who have trouble learning the written English language. It's one type of learning disability," Smith said.

She discounted the popular conception that all dyslexics see printed words in reverse.

"There are some students who are not very good at language skills. But you have to live with yourself as a teacher, so you finally say to yourself that all the child's other teachers didn't do their job," Smith said.

When she went from teaching sixth grade to first grade, Smith said she learned that many of the symptoms troubled children experienced were the same. At that point Smith began to question preconceptions about children with learning problems.

"They were obviously bright, but they could not retain knowledge. As teachers of reading, we need to learn more than one way to teach, because not everyone learns the same way," Smith said.

While reversal of letters is commonly associated with dyslexia, Smith said it also is fairly common of children under age seven. She suggested that once a child turned eight, problems with letter or word reversal should be watched more closely.

She also said that many dyslexics read very well, but have problems with comprehension.

"They learn ways to fool us because they are bright. But often the thing that will give it away is

erratic spelling or comprehension.

"Nearly all of these youngsters are talented in art, mechanics, drama, athletics or some other creative area. They come up with the most creative things, but they cannot write it down," Smith said.

The best way to treat these children, Smith said, is to assure them that reading is only one talent out of many they could possess.

"These students have not forgiven themselves for not learning to read. They know they are trying and can't do it," she stressed.

Smith then read a second-grader's composition about a group of kangaroos. It was witty and well written. However, when she showed the educators the child's paper, it was nearly illegible.

"We used to say that their work was messy and make them do it again. Is this child bright? We don't need an IQ test to tell he is," Smith said.

Under the Multisensory Teaching Approach that Smith endorses, teachers use a holistic approach to language skills that is based on phonetics.

"You hear people say that you teach them phonics and that's all they'll ever use. But they use it because that's all they can remember," Smith said.

Under an ideal situation, she pointed out, no child would be labeled as learning disabled or dyslexic, but taught with methods that give every child an equal chance to learn.

In test scores from sample classrooms where methods were used that were patterned for dyslexics, Smith said the entire classes scored about 10 points higher.

She said that dyslexics make the same type of writing mistakes as everyone else, but at a much higher frequency.

"It's the frequency of mistakes you need to watch out for," she said.

Pampa public schools began an intensive program to deal with learning disabilities in the classroom in 1986.

State may lose food stamp funding

AUSTIN (AP) — The state of Texas may lose more than \$500,000 in funding for the food stamp program next year because of the theft of food stamps by two U.S. Postal Service workers and the loss of other stamps amounting to \$262,035, officials say.

Authorities say two postal workers stole more than \$140,000 worth of food stamps and another \$120,000 in stamps was unaccounted for in the mail.

The Texas Department of Human Services, which administers the joint federal-state program, is fighting loss of the federal funds in a suit filed recently in U.S. District Court in Austin.

The state owes \$262,035 in lost food stamps, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture says it intends to cut funding next year by that much, according to court documents.

Juvenile found hanged in Kingsville jail

KINGSVILLE (AP) — An investigation was under way today into the death of a teen-ager who was found hanged in his cell at the Kingsville City Jail only hours after he and his brother were arrested following a disturbance.

Kleberg County Justice of the Peace Keith Bray said Tuesday that Ruben Vasquez, 16, died "from causes normally associated with hanging or asphyxiation."

Authorities said the youth hanged himself with a pair of tube socks.

Texas Ranger Ray Cano, who is investigating the incident, said

Since Texas matches those funds, the Human Services Department stands to lose \$524,070. The amount of food stamps available would not be affected, but jobs connected with the program would be, a state official said. The Legislature would have to approve money to replace the lost federal funds.

"If the Texas Department of Human Services is required to pay the claim of \$262,035, it would have to be paid from state funds appropriated for the administration of the food stamp program," said Randy Washington, associate commissioner in charge of the department's income assistance programs.

"I don't know where we would find those state funds," Washington said. "Obviously, we do not plan to pay the penalty, and we do not think it's an appropriate penalty. That's why we're in

litigation.

"Our opinion is we really don't control what happens in the mail, and therefore, the state should not be liable for those losses," Washington said.

The federal "tolerance" for losses of food stamps in the mail is set by law, said Judy Snow, public affairs director for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's office in Dallas.

"So, regardless of the particulars of how it's lost, that does not enter into it," Snow said.

She said the state chooses how to issue food stamps. "It does not have to be through the mail," she said.

The Department of Agriculture's finding was appealed, but denied. The state's lawsuit asks that the decision be set aside and cites the postal employees' thefts.

police records show that Vasquez and his 13-year-old brother were arrested Sunday evening at Flato Park and placed in separate cells because they refused to give police any identification.

The two brothers were arrested because they allegedly were causing a disturbance and that they allegedly fought with arresting officers, Cano said. He would not elaborate on the nature of the disturbance.

Vasquez was married and the father of two children, a 1-month-old daughter, Jessica Ann, and a 14-month-old son, Ruben Jr.

Christina Vasquez, the teen-

ager's wife, said she was present at the scene when the two were arrested, but would not comment further.

Kingsville authorities said they were not aware that the two were juveniles and would not have jailed them if they had known their ages.

State law prohibits holding juveniles in jail cells rather than in juvenile detention facilities.

Police Chief Gerard Gutierrez said juveniles arrested by the Kingsville police usually are held at the station until a county juvenile officer can be notified.

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Opinion

Only freedom can repair the damage

When will the Burmese dictators stop killing people? Recently the country's military government ordered troops to shoot demonstrators calling for freedom and democracy. Hundreds were slain, hundreds more wounded. Despite the atrocities, it still may not be too late for the dictators to move their country along the path already followed in the Philippines, South Korea and Taiwan, whose dictatorships have given way to civilian rule and tolerance.

Burma's government now seems to be run by Gen. Saw Maung; he apparently seized control in a coup. But only one minister in his government is a civilian; the rest are military officers. And all are associates of Gen. Ne Win, the dictator from 1962 until earlier this year, when he turned power over to a "civi" government. But Ne Win probably still controls events from behind the stage. During a 1976 coup, attempt against Ne Win, Saw Maung remained loyal to the dictator, and was rewarded with promotions and a top military command.

One reason for the military officers' continued grasping at the reins of power is that they may fear reprisals from the people for the inept way the country has been run in the past 25 years. Under Ne Win's socialist policies, the country's per capita income has been stuck at under \$400 per year, one of the lowest rates in the world. In contrast, such neighboring countries as Thailand and Singapore, having instituted market economies, have become leading economic powers.

Part of the blame for the plight of the Burmese people must go to the United States government. Over the past 25 years our servants in Washington have doled out millions in foreign aid to the Burmese government. In turn, the government has spent the money to buy arms to keep its people enslaved and to prop up its sluggish socialist system. Burmese government officials got our money, the Burmese people got oppressed, the American taxpayer got bilked.

What can the United States do now? Our State Department has threatened to cut off foreign aid. That isn't enough. All aid should stop immediately. If the United States only threatens to cut off aid, or only cuts it off temporarily, the Burmese dictators may think they can make a few cosmetic changes to satisfy Washington; then, once people's eye have turned elsewhere, they can clamp down again.

No. A more drastic shock is needed. The Burmese dictators must realize that it is up to them to give the people representative government, free speech and free markets. And that once the people are freed, they will be able to feed themselves — and indeed join Singapore, South Korea, et al., in the march of economic progress — without the American government's choking foreign aid.

Burma's military dictators have, with U.S. government help, sealed themselves off for 25 years and nearly destroyed the country. Killing more people with bullets won't repair the damage. Only freedom can.

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D.C. learning who's the boss

WASHINGTON — The Congress of the United States and the government of the District of Columbia are quarreling again, but their ferocious spat has all the aspects of a disputed call in a baseball game.

You know who's going to win. When the ump cries "foul," that's it. And when Congress says "no" to the district, brother, that means "no."

The uproar probably is a great big yawn beyond the Potomac, but it's Page One news here in town, and it provides an opportunity to say a few things about the Constitution.

The Constitutional provision establishing the District of Columbia is one of the only three or four provisions in the whole of that absorbing document in which the founding fathers spoke with deliberate emphasis. They filled our supreme law with glorious ambiguities, but when the framers wanted to speak loudly and clearly, they knew how to do it.

A word about the brouhaha: The district's government some months ago adopted several controversial ordinances. One of them forbids companies writing health insurance to turn down an applicant who tests positive for the AIDS virus. Another law requires city employees to reside within the D.C. limits. A third prohibits religious institutions from discriminating in any fashion against homosexuals. A fourth relates to the use of public funds to provide abortions for indigent women.

These several enactments set off a firestorm on Capitol Hill. Powerful members concluded that the time had come to teach the district government a lesson in who's boss. A bill was at hand to appropriate funds for the city. In an impressive exercise of power, Congress amended the bill to undo what the city's council



James J. Kilpatrick

had done.

Well! The district's non-voting delegate to the House, Walter Fauntroy, reportedly "trembled" with rage. The council chairman, David A. Clarke, talked angrily of defying the congressional edict. The *Washington Post*, casting aside its customary urbanity, fell editorially into hysterics. The nullifying amendments trampled upon the very principles of home rule. This was an outrage!

Like beauty, outrage lies in the eye of the beholder. Maybe yes, maybe no, but let there be no doubt on one score: When it comes to the District of Columbia, what Congress wants, Congress is going to get.

This is the unequivocal language: "The Congress shall have power to exercise exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever over such district as may become the seat of the government of the United States."

Note the intensifiers: "exclusive" and "in all cases whatsoever." To be sure, through the Home Rule Act of 1975 Congress delegated legislative power to the district government, but Congress attached strings the size of hawsers. The act specifically reserves the congressional power to amend or repeal any city ordinance

that Congress dislikes.

I can think offhand of only two or three other provisions in the Constitution that contain such modifiers of emphasis. The states are forbidden to tax imports or exports "except what may be absolutely necessary" for executing their inspection laws.

In Article VI, we learn that no religious test shall "ever" be required as a qualification for public office. No person holding a federal office may accept any gift or title "of any kind whatsoever" from a king, prince or foreign state.

Other provisions might be cited in which the Constitution demands something extra. A president may convene Congress "on extraordinary occasions." The original provision sanctioning slavery could not be amended "in any manner." The states may not engage in war "unless actually invaded." The point is that the provision governing the District of Columbia defies misunderstanding. Who's boss? Congress is boss.

A part of the enduring fascination of the Constitution lies in its mix of provisions clear and provisions muddied. At some points the language is precise: No person shall be a representative who shall not have attained to the age of 25 years. "A right of trial by jury is preserved" where the value in controversy shall exceed \$20. At other points the language is expansive. What is an "unreasonable" search or seizure? What is "excessive" bail? What behavior in a judge is not "good behavior"?

Lawyers and scholars, statesmen and editors, have been arguing about the broad provisions for the past 200 years. The narrow ones admit no doubt. Sorry about the District of Columbia. Its council had to learn this the hard way.



Now the students wonder...

During the unforgettable decades of the '60s and '70s ... when American college students were understandably rebellious ... there was a whole lot of smokin' and drinkin' and "he'n" and "she'n" goin' on.

Responding to much hypocrisy by their parents, that generation burned flags, and they staged university sit-ins and they just generally thumbed their noses at "the establishment."

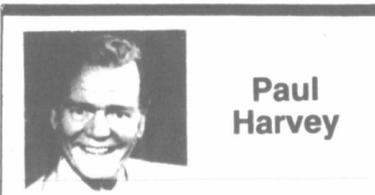
Some of us shared their grievances: Pulled-punches wars that we were ashamed to lose and afraid to win.

Dad staggering home drunk and "condemning" Junior for smoking pot — when Junior is smart enough to know there's not all that much difference.

That was an era when we decided to put an "X" on some movies, which meant that they were dirty — but they were only dirty until you reached the age of 16. After that they were quite all right.

So, as I say, rebelling against all this hypocrisy our college-agers marched under a banner of "Do Your Own Thing."

Then, they got back to the terrible confronta-



Paul Harvey

tion at Kent State — and there — they looked out across that bloody campus — and realized where "do your own thing" was leading. Inevitably it leads to anarchy. And it was then — in their own enlightened self-interest — that they began to revert to doing the "established" thing.

Plymouth State College was one of the colleges that responded most vigorously and most conscientiously to restore propriety.

Diligently over the years since PSC has been shaping up. Use of alcohol on campus was restricted to where noisy parties are now very few — and the few are usually off-campus.

PSC athletic teams, reflecting the new decorum, have compiled an enviable record — besting everybody in division three competition in football and in soccer, both men's and women's. And athletic participation at PSC requires academic excellence.

PSC team captains lead their teammates — without exception — in volunteering for drug tests — in a screening program that has become a model for the nation.

So effective is the campus clean-up — and so excellent the educational curriculum — that admissions applications these past two years are up by 30 percent.

Then along comes one of the girlie magazines — identifying PSC as one of our nation's 10 best schools for "partying." One of the "big 10 party schools."

And though this designation is at least 10 years out of date, the slur stings and the smear sticks.

And the alumni and the faculty and the students — who know the untruth of what they read — listen to those of us who protest the sanctity of "free speech" and they wonder ...

Members are battling for GOP's soul

By ROBERT WALTERS

OMAHA, Neb. (NEA) — Like scores of other state and local Republican parties throughout the country, the GOP organization in Nebraska's Douglas County has been beset by factional strife during much of 1988.

As in other locales, politicians inside and outside the GOP are uncertain whether the current anguish is part of a difficult but necessary transition to a stronger party or is the first step in the eventual undoing of the organization.

In almost every case, the discord within the party can be traced back to the Rev. Marion G. "Pat" Robertson's ambitious but unsuccessful bid for this year's Republican presidential nomination.

Robertson's campaign energized and politicized hundreds of thousands of conservative evangelicals. Their entry into Republican politics, in turn, touched off what one observer characterizes as "a class struggle, a power struggle and political struggle all

rolled into one."

Moreover, the antipathy between those newly recruited activists and the party's more conventional grassroots supporters did not subside either with Robertson's withdrawal from the race last spring or George Bush's nomination at the Republican National Convention last summer.

Only a few weeks ago, for example, an evangelical conservative upset a traditional Republican in Washington state's late September gubernatorial primary.

In Georgia, fundamentalists and party regulars carried an especially nasty feud into the party's national convention, where it was temporarily patched up but certainly not permanently resolved.

At the Georgia party's state convention last spring, Republican leaders disqualified more than 900 delegates — many of them Robertson backers — on the grounds that they were selected at improperly constituted district conventions.

But the state convention was forced to adjourn in chaos after Robertson

supporters shouted down those attempting to speak from the podium.

Georgia's Republican chairman described one member of the religious right as a "social misfit" and likened other zealous, intense evangelicals to "the people who brought you the Salem witch trials and the Spanish inquisition."

Fundamentalists have similarly enraged old-line Republicans elsewhere in the South. In Fayette County, Ky., which includes Lexington, angry regulars were swept off the party's executive committee by a slate of insurgent Robertson supporters.

In Wake County, N.C., which includes Raleigh, longtime party leaders were furious when they were denied national convention seats by Robertson followers who gained control. But Robertson leaders boycotted the North Carolina state convention after GOP leaders allegedly sought to strip them of all influence at that meeting.

The year's longest running, most widely publicized feud occurred in

Michigan, where party leaders' plans to be first in the delegate selection process were complicated by the unexpected strength of Robertson's backers.

In Omaha and surrounding Douglas County, a highly disciplined coalition, which one party leader says is composed of "conservatives and evangelical Christians," has gained control of the local Republican party and holds about two-thirds of its leadership posts.

As in other communities, the religious right has the potential either to decimate the party by alienating longtime Republicans or to stimulate new growth within the GOP by tapping new sources of voter support.

Finally, Robertson's political future remains crucial but unknown. In a National Journal interview earlier this year, he was asked about reviving his presidential campaign in 1992. "I'm not ruling it out," he replied.

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Mourners pay respects to young pedestrian victims.

Community mourns five girls killed by speeding automobile

By MARYANN MROWCA
Associated Press Writer

PULASKI, Wis. (AP) — More than 2,000 mourners who filled a school gym to remember five young girls killed by a speeding car heard condolences from President Reagan and a tape of a victim singing "Could've Been."

Many at Tuesday night's community service at Pulaski High School hugged and sobbed as the tape recording of rock star Tiffany's song, sung by 12-year-old Nicole Watia, was played.

"The flowers you gave me are just about to die. When I think of what could have been, it makes me want to cry," sang the girl's high-pitched voice.

Nicole's version of the song was among the personal mementos the victims' families shared as this village of about 1,900 gathered for the first time since Friday night's accident that also killed Brenda Hylok, Laura Karcz, Jodi Prokop and Jessica McKeefry, all 13. Three funeral services were scheduled for today.

"I feel they (the mourners) want something to happen but they don't know what they want to happen," said the Rev. Jordan Kuczura, pastor of Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary Church.

Police have been puzzled as to why the driver of the 1975 Cadillac, a 17-year-old high school junior, was going an estimated 70 mph down the residential street before it jumped a curb, killing the Glenbrook Elementary seventh graders in front of Jessica's house.

Investigators planned to check the vehicle for possible mechanical problems and to investigate whether the driver, a diabetic, suffered a medical problem such as a seizure, said Police Chief Reed Woodward.

No alcohol was involved, he said. Reagan, in a message sent with Rep. Toby Roth,

R-Wis., to the village about 15 miles northwest of Green Bay, said, "Nancy and I join with each and every one of you as you mourn the loss of five precious young lives."

"There are no words to express what you are feeling or the grief that your fellow Americans share with you as a result of this great tragedy."

Crying girls hugged one another at the high school, where dozens of floral arrangements surrounded the five closed caskets lined at one end of the gym.

James Brawner, Glenbrook Elementary's principal, estimated that more than 2,000 people filed past the caskets to hug the girls' families and offer sympathy.

Among the letters, cards and messages read during the service was a poem on friendship that Laura Karcz's sister, Lisa, said was one of the last her sister had written.

"I need someone to stick to me to the end and I know that you will because you are my friend," the poem said.

The Rev. Floyd Grothman, minister at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pulaski, where Jessica's funeral was planned for today, applauded the community for the way it came together in the wake of the tragedy.

"I love Pulaski more. It's a community," he said. "I don't think I saw such a concentration of hugging that I saw Friday night. Pulaski cares. Pulaski hugs."

Residents also expressed concern for the driver of the car, Scott Karcz, who was listed in critical condition Monday at a Green Bay hospital. Hospital officials said Tuesday his parents had asked that no further reports be given on his condition. Karcz is a distant relative of Laura Karcz.

His 11-year-old sister, Tina, who was a passenger in the car, was also seriously injured.

Senate approves new tax bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Negotiators are trying to reach a compromise on sharply differing tax bills passed by the House and Senate, one containing a "taxpayers' bill of rights" and the other offering relief for 20 million owners of mutual funds.

The Senate bill, which was approved Tuesday night on an 87-1 vote, would cut selected taxes by an estimated \$3 billion over three years and, to avoid worsening the deficit, boost other taxes by the same amount. The House bill, passed 380-25 on Aug. 4, has a \$7.5 billion price tag.

Far more provisions are identical in both bills. Both would correct hundreds of technical errors in the 1986 tax overhaul; extend several expiring tax benefits; relieve farmers from paying the federal diesel tax on fuel for off-road use, and raise some taxes to pay for the benefits.

The tax bill and a comprehensive plan for fighting drug abuse are the only major pieces of legislation standing in the way of adjournment of the 100th Congress, as early as this weekend.

"All of us realize the more re-

venue we have in this bill, the less likely the president is to sign it," said Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., manager of the Senate tax measure. Thus, the Senate will try to hold down the cost and House negotiators will be pushing for senators to accept some new provisions.

Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., cast the only vote against the Senate bill. A principal architect of the 1986 tax changes, Bradley has argued against undue tampering with the new system, saying it should not be riddled with special-interest provisions.

Not voting on the 87-1 Senate vote that passed the tax bill were: Sens. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas; David Boren, D-Okla.; Lawton Chiles, D-Fla.; Thad Cochran, R-Miss.; Daniel Evans, R-Wash.; Phil Gramm, R-Texas; David Karnes, R-Neb.; Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J.; Richard Lugar, R-Ind.; Dan Quayle, R-Ind.; Malcolm Wallop, R-Wyo., and Pete Wilson, R-Calif.

Both the House and Senate bills would extend several expiring tax benefits, with the Senate opting for a shorter extension in

order to reduce the cost. These include a credit for business research, an exclusion for workers' employer-financed educational assistance, and a tax break for low-income first-time home buyers.

The Senate bill, but not the House, would set up a "bill of rights" for taxpayers who are the subject of collection or other enforcement efforts by the IRS.

The agency would have to inform taxpayers fully of their rights at the time an action is launched and would be barred from promoting employees on the basis of how much they collect. The 10-day notice required before the IRS could seize property for overdue taxes would be extended to 30 days.

The House bill includes a permanent change for owners of mutual-fund shares, allowing them to deduct as a miscellaneous expense certain costs of operating the funds. These expenses could be written off fully despite a 1986 change that permits miscellaneous deductions only to the extent they exceed 2 percent of adjusted gross income.

Dukakis, Bush prep for debate

By The Associated Press

Democrat Michael Dukakis pitched economic nationalism while Republican George Bush accused his rival of adopting a protectionist stance strictly for political gain as the two presidential candidates fine-tuned their strategy for their second and final debate.

The vice president, embarking on a weeklong West Coast swing highlighted by Thursday's debate in Los Angeles, told business students at Seattle University on Tuesday that Dukakis opposed "protectionist demagoguery" during the Democratic primaries. "But now, for political reasons, he sees advantage in stoking fears about foreign influence," Bush said.

Dukakis vowed that the Demo-

cratic ticket would be aggressive advocates for U.S. companies and workers.

"Together we can build a future where the best products in the world are designed by American minds, built by American hands and produce good profits and good paychecks here on American soil," the Massachusetts governor told a partisan crowd at Tufts University in Medford, Mass.

Later Tuesday, Dukakis responded to Bush's charges: "I'm for more trade, not less trade. I want to export American products, not American jobs."

Like Bush, Dukakis was in California today, conferring with advisers and doing some last-minute studying of briefing papers for the nationally broadcast, 90-minute debate, set to begin at 8

p.m. CDT at Pauley Pavilion on the UCLA campus.

Neither candidate planned any campaign appearances today to devote their time to debate preparation.

Bush was working with former Deputy Treasury Secretary Richard G. Darman, who was Dukakis' stand-in for a mock debate the vice president had Saturday, said press secretary Sheila Tate.

Bush was taking a short break this morning to meet with Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates.

One final detail for the candidates' face-to-face confrontation was decided Tuesday when the Bipartisan Commission on Presidential Debates selected the moderator and three questioners.

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Amnesty concert



American rock star Bruce Springsteen, left, and folk star Tracy Chapman hold a press conference Tuesday in Sao Paulo, Brazil, where the two singers were participating in Amnesty International's Human Rights

Now Concert. At the press conference, Springsteen said the United States violates the economic and social rights mentioned in one of the articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

U.S. to pay for Philippines bases

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — U.S. and Filipino officials have reached tentative agreement for Washington to provide compensation worth more than \$550 million a year to use its six bases here, official sources said Tuesday.

The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told reporters that the two sides had nearly finished reviewing an agreement governing the bases, which are the largest U.S. garrison in southeast Asia. An accord on new compensation terms through 1991 is expected within a week.

Negotiators agreed on a basic annual compensation package of between \$550 and \$580 million in economic support, military assistance and commodities, mostly wheat, said the sources, who are close to the negotiations.

Filipino negotiators in Washington were bargaining for an additional loan of \$100 million

to purchase U.S. Treasury bonds, said the sources. The bonds would be used to pay off \$200 million of the Philippines' \$28 billion debt.

Three Manila newspapers said such a loan would be made, but they did not say for how much.

Economic Planning Secretary Solita Monsod told reporters that the proposed loan figure was too insignificant to even negotiate at all.

"It will be able to buy back at most \$200 million, which is not worth talking about," she told reporters. "We should be talking about a \$700 million buy-back scheme."

On Monday, a Filipino source told The Associated Press that the two sides had finished reviewing an agreement governing U.S. bases, and an agreement on their status through 1991 is possible within a week.

"It's over. An agreement is

possible within a few days, maybe within a week's time," said the source, who demanded anonymity.

"There was compromise on both sides," said the source, who is involved in the talks. He said both panels were working on the wording of the agreement.

In April, U.S. and Philippine panels began talks on the status of Clark Air Base, the Subic Bay Naval base and four smaller installations in the Philippines. But the talks have stalled over compensation and other issues.

Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus has been meeting with U.S. officials in New York and Washington since last month on the bases talks. He is expected to return to Manila this week.

The United States maintains the bases under a 1947 agreement which expires in 1991.

Protestant leader denounces pope during visit to France

By SYDNEY RUBIN
Associated Press Writer

STRASBOURG, France (AP) — Pope John Paul II Tuesday urged a common political structure for Europe during a speech that was interrupted when the Rev. Ian Paisley, a militant Protestant leader, shouted "I renounce you!"

The address to the European Parliament — an advisory body to the 12-member European Economic Community — was the pontiff's main speech during his four-day trip to northeastern France.

After a welcome by Lord Plumb, president of the 518-member Parliament, the pope began speaking but was immediately interrupted by Paisley, standing about 11 rows from the pope's lectern at the back of the wood-paneled room.

"I renounce you! I renounce you as the anti-Christ!" shouted Paisley, a parliamentarian and the leader of the Irish Protestant Democratic Unionist Party, the more militant of the two main Protestant parties in Northern Ireland.

Other parliamentarians surrounded Paisley, threw papers at him and tore from his hands a crude orange banner reading, "John Paul II, anti-Christ."

Plumb called twice for order over Paisley's shouts, then had him ejected.

The room, filled to capacity with parliamentarians, press and visitors, erupted in applause when deputies and security guards dragged Paisley away.

Paisley later told journalists: "I was hammered. I was beaten about the ears and the body." It was the second incident in Parliament this week in which Paisley denounced the pope.

Paisley has spearheaded opposition to the 1985 Anglo-Irish

Agreement, which granted the government of Catholic-dominated Ireland a say in the running of Northern Ireland, a British province where 60 percent of the population is Protestant.

The pope has called for peace and reconciliation between Catholics and Protestants in Northern Ireland without taking a stand on whether the province should be united with the Irish Republic.

The pope smiled slightly at the beginning of the interruption but otherwise was impassive. John Paul resumed his speech and was again interrupted, this time by applause.

As he has throughout the trip, the pontiff endorsed a common political structure for Europe and called on Europe to "resume her role as a beacon in the civilization of the world" by fighting pollution, prejudice and secularization.



Pope John Paul II visits with two children Tuesday during his visit to Strasbourg.

German banks to give Soviets new credit line

FRANKFURT, West Germany (AP) — A consortium of West German banks next week plans to sign a \$1.6 billion credit agreement for the Soviet Union, reportedly the biggest Western credit line ever to the Soviet Union, according to financial sources.

Deutsche Bank, West Germany's largest commercial bank, is heading the consortium involved in the agreement.

Soviet officials hope to use the money to improve the Soviet Union's food processing and consumer goods industries, a top priority of Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev, according to today's editions of *The New York Times*.

The Duesseldorf-based financial newspaper *Handelsblatt* said Monday that the agreement would be signed on Oct. 17.

When contacted by the Associated Press by telephone, Deutsche Bank spokesman Hans Detmar said: "I can confirm that the signing will take place on Monday."

Detmar provided no further details.

Other banking sources, requesting anonymity, said the agreement would be signed at an undisclosed location in Frankfurt.

Deutsche Bank announced in May that it was heading a consortium of banks to extend the credit to the Soviets to boost the communist nation's consumer goods production and delivery.

Handelsblatt on Monday said the agreement will be finalized with another signing ceremony scheduled for Oct. 24 in Moscow, when Chancellor Helmut Kohl arrives in the Soviet capital for an official visit.

The credit line arranged with Moscow's Bank for Foreign Economic Affairs is to have an 8½-year life, with interest rates to be set as individual projects are arranged.

German banks traditionally have been a leading Western lender to the Soviet Union, trailing only the Japanese.

Of the roughly \$16 billion lent to the Soviets since 1984, 40 percent came from Japanese banks and 30 percent from German banks, the *Times* stated.

U.S. banks accounted for only about 2 percent of the other new lending to the Soviets.

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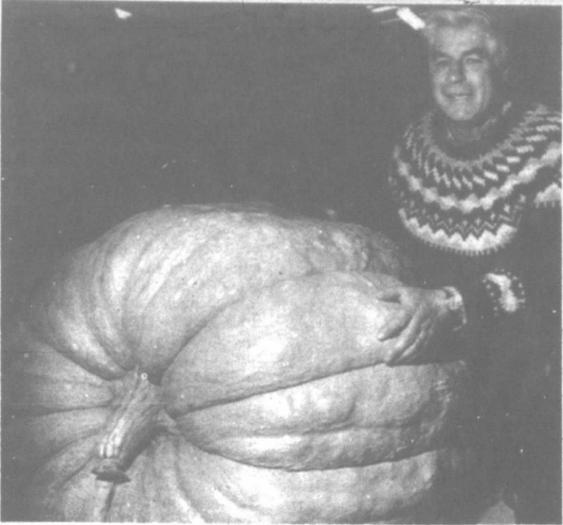
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Chappell displays his giant pumpkin.

Nova Scotia man grows world's heaviest pumpkin

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A Nova Scotia gourd grower pumpled the competition with a super-heavyweight pumpkin that tipped the scales at a near-record 633½ pounds — an international victory he says came without steroids.

Keith Chapel, 56, gleefully denied a mischievous suggestion that he may have used anabolic steroids on his entry to win this week's International Pumpkin Association World Weigh-Off.

"Oh, no!" said Chapel, responding to the allegation. The question came in light of drug scandals that plagued the Summer Olympics at Seoul, including the case of Canadian sprinter Ben Johnson, who was stripped of his gold medal when officials found he'd used the banned drug that bolsters muscle building but has many harmful side effects.

Chapel, a schoolteacher when he's not growing pumpkins, spoke over a loudspeaker during an international conference call from Canada heard on the steps of San Francisco City Hall Monday.

His entry, which competed with plump pumpkins from the United States, England and Japan, won him \$2,000 and a trip to San Francisco.

England's 317-pound entry, grown by Ron Butcher, was

weighed in a pub, where cries of encouragement echoed across the City Hall steps some 5,000 miles away.

But Japan's Shoji Sijrai wasn't so lucky. His 513-pound pumpkin broke into pieces on its way to the scale. The international contest accepted the 313-pound entry from Hiroshi Sawa instead.

Chapel's wife, Ruth, also entered the contest. But Chapel said he didn't think she was "cruelly disappointed" at placing behind her husband.

"Hers was a squash," Chapel diplomatically noted, saying that pumpkins are in their own class — "fruits with trailing vines."

Contest spokeswoman Terry Pimsleur said the other winners would receive prizes including ribbons and will be invited to the Great Halloween & Pumpkin Festival here later this month.

A Canadian also won last year's International Pumpkin Association World Weigh-Off. Arthur Bessey of York, Prince Edward Island, weighed in with a winning 408-pound pumpkin.

The largest pumpkin ever grown, according to the 1988 Guinness Book of World Records, was a 671-pound gourd raised by Robert Gancarz of Jacobstown, N.J., in October 1986. It measured 11 feet, 1¼ inches in circumference.

Florida bank indicted for money-laundering

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — One of the world's largest bank holding companies was named in indictments unsealed Tuesday in what prosecutors said was the first case in which an entire banking institution faced charges for money-laundering.

The Luxembourg-based bank holding company, Bank of Credit and Commerce International, three of its subsidiaries and nine of its officers are named in the three indictments unsealed here. In all, indictments announced here and five other U.S. cities name 85 defendants.

The bank, which prosecutors said is the world's seventh-largest of its kind, has branches in 72 countries.

"It is the first time an entire international financial institution and its important members have been indicted," said William Von Raab, head of the U.S. Customs Service.

The announcement of the indictments followed the arrest of nine people here Sunday after they had been lured to a fictitious wedding.

In Houston, one of four people who were indicted on drug conspiracy and other charges was in the custody of U.S. marshals Tuesday, authorities said.

The ring was based in Tampa, Von Raab said, and was infiltrated two years ago by federal undercover agents who were soon getting tips from traffickers on how to launder the funds. The money was intended principally for Colombian drug traffickers, including the Medellin Cartel, Customs said.

The bank received a portion of the \$32 million in drug money to be laundered, placed it in certificates of deposit, then loaned it out to the traffickers. The bank then paid off the loan with the CDs it already had, officials said.

Eight U.S. cities were involved, along with branches in the North and South American and Europe, and drug agents from England and France participated in busting the ring.

With officials from those two countries at his side, Von Raab praised the international cooperation that led to the indictments in what Customs calls "Operation C-Chase," after the term C-note.

"Colombian traffickers are

really looking to Europe to improve their markets," Von Raab said, saying cocaine prices were double on that continent and banking regulations were looser. "But they can't without help from financial institutions — that's why this case is important."

In addition to the indictments unsealed here and in Houston, indictments were unsealed in New York, Philadelphia, Detroit and Chicago. Warrants were also issued in Los Angeles, Miami, London and Paris.

At least 16 people have been arrested around the world, including the United States, England and Argentina, officials said.

Cenelia Ocampo Perez was the only one of four Houston suspects arrested under a seven-count indictment, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Todd Foster. Ms. Perez was charged with one count of drug conspiracy and one count of money laundering, Foster said.

Others named in the Houston indictment were Bibion Osorio, charged with drug conspiracy, possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and four counts of money laundering; Rafael Fore-ro, charged with drug conspiracy, possession and two counts of laundering; and Victor Alzate, charged with drug conspiracy and two counts of laundering.

"The indictment alleges a broad-ranging drug conspiracy and it charges these people with money laundering, or laundering of the drug proceeds, which was generated through the sale and distribution of cocaine," Foster said.

Foster said undercover agents posed as launderers, accepting "suitcases full of money," and that the agents acted as middle men with Colombian suppliers.

Houston authorities joined in the two-year investigation last February, Foster said, and handled an average of \$1 million a month in drug money.

"I think this is a significant case, even though only one person is in custody right now, because we exposed this organization and, hopefully, crippled it at least for the present," Foster said.

BCCI attorney Marty Steinberg in Miami said prior to the unsealing of the indictments that he did not know details of the case.

Polluting cities lie in 'never-never land'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The failure of Congress to agree on revisions to the Clean Air Act leaves more than a hundred polluted cities and rural areas and their state governments "in a never-never land," says one of their Washington representatives.

These are the areas — all urban except for five rural counties in Maine — that didn't meet the deadline last Dec. 31 for complying with federal clean air standards for ozone and carbon monoxide.

The Environmental Protection Agency says it will now go ahead with requirements for steady progress toward the standards, with punishments for those who thumb their noses. Don Clay, acting assistant administrator for air pollution programs, said last week that the agency hopes to adopt its long-discussed policy by the end of the year.

In Texas, El Paso and Houston are listed as being in violation of carbon monoxide and ozone standards, and Dallas and Beaumont are listed as being in violation of ozone standards only.

Bill Becker, executive director of the Association of State and Territorial Air Pollution Control Administrators, said in an interview he doubts that EPA can act that quickly.

"We're not asking EPA to sit idly by and do nothing. But it should be Congress and not EPA that decides for how long the deadline should be extended," he said.

"The real danger is that Congress will not act next year, either," Clay said. "The agency would be derelict in its duty if it did not go ahead."

Becker said he believes a presidential victory for Michael Dukakis would be more like-

ly than a George Bush victory to produce an EPA leadership that would insist on its own look at the policy.

All the major proposals Congress considered would have extended compliance deadlines by varying periods according to the seriousness of the local air pollution problem. Some areas might have won 15 more years.

Some members of Congress, backed up by the General Accounting Office, argue that EPA is required to act against cities that failed to meet the standards.

EPA, however, maintains that the law does not mean sanctions for simple failure to meet the numbers, but for failure to submit a plan showing how the numbers would be met.

The agency plans to ban construction of major new sources of ozone-forming pollution in 12 areas and has already done so in three — greater Los Angeles, greater Chicago and Ventura County, Calif. The Sacramento area is next, with action expected about Dec. 1.

The other areas are Cleveland, Ohio; East St. Louis, Ill.; the Indiana suburbs of Louisville, Ky.; Atlanta, Ga.; Denver, Colo.; Reno, Nev.; and in California, Kern and Fresno counties.

It's not clear how much of a punishment this is. It covers only plants emitting more than 100 tons a year of chemicals that form ozone. The agency also may withhold federal highway aid and certain other money in some circumstances.

"Mayors and city officials should not be fearful that EPA will impose sanctions for failure to attain (the standards), but there is

the possibility some group may sue" the agency over its interpretation, Becker said.

EPA's arsenal of plans, according to Becker, contains many useful weapons, but "We had reservations about EPA saying 'You're responsible ... independently of political considerations, independently of resource constraints.'"

Last November EPA unveiled a draft of its plans in case Congress failed to act.

To win EPA's approval, those plans were supposed to show an annual average reduction in the major pollutants or their precursors of 3 percent per year.

That's tough because the 3 percent reduction would have to come in addition to any reductions that resulted from measures that EPA requires for the whole country.

Clay declined to say last week whether the 3 percent figure would survive in the final regulation. But he did say the concept of "steady progress" would be incorporated.

Becker's group argued that a uniform 3 percent requirement is too tough, and that it should be tailored to the locality. "It may be that federal measures will do 80 percent of the job in some areas and only 20 percent in others," he said.

Examples of the federal measures are tighter gasoline volatility limits and refueling vapor recovery systems for cars that EPA says it plans to require by the end of this year.

Gasoline vapor is a major smog-forming raw material, and EPA now believes these two measures could reduce smog formation by 20 percent or 30 percent in some dirty areas.

Former convicts arrested after robbery spree

HOUSTON (AP) — A four-day robbery spree that left two men dead and three others wounded ended with the separate arrests of two former convicts from the Texas Department of Corrections, a police spokesman says.

Roy Smith, 30, released from the Texas Department of Corrections in July, was charged with two counts of capital murder, one count of attempted capital murder and one count of aggravated robbery, Houston Police Sgt.

Dave Collier said.

Eric Washington, 25, was charged with one count of capital murder, but additional charges may be forthcoming, Collier said. Both were held without bond Tuesday.

Smith, on parole until 1992 on a robbery conviction, has been convicted of burglary four times, while Washington served time for burglary, a check of records by the *Houston Chronicle* revealed.

Most of the crimes were just north of downtown Houston, Collier said.

"That neighborhood was up in arms about these guys running amok," Collier said. "They were preying on people in the neighborhood, and the people wanted them off the streets."

Both said they robbed to get money to buy crack and both admitted being addicted to the drug, Collier said. "I think they were using everything they could

get their hands on.

"Washington said Smith would just start shooting for no reason," Collier said. "We're certain they've been involved in several robberies over the past several days."

The victims were Michael David Musser, shot to death in a robbery that netted \$43, and James L. Whitmire, 68, who died after being shot four times during an apparent robbery attempt.

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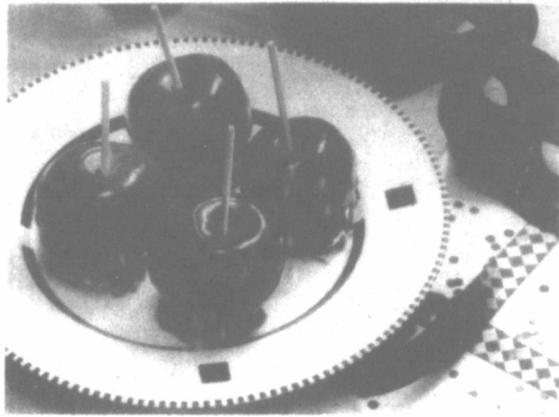
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Food



Candied apples and other treats keep everybody happy at Halloween.

There's no trick to these Halloween holiday treats

By AILEEN CLAIRE
NEA Food Editor

The spirit of trick or treat is in the air as sprightly little ghosts and goblins do their mischief close to home.

Halloween is a favorite costume time for youngsters. Get together with several neighbors to plan a safe spook-in. Often church groups, clubs and schools hold Halloween events so all may participate in the festivities with adult supervision.

Adults, too, can get in the spirit of Halloween by making treats such as candied apples, doughnuts, popcorn and punch.

CANDIED HONEY APPLES
1 cup packed brown sugar
1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup heavy cream
1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
5 to 6 small apples (about 4 to 6 ounces each) with sticks

Combine all ingredients except apples and nuts in 2-quart saucepan. Cook over medium-high heat to 265 degrees; stir constantly. Remove from heat. Cool 5 minutes.

Holding apple by stick, roll in hot honey mixture to coat; roll bottom of apple in nuts, if desired. Place on stem end on waxed-paper squares to cool. Repeat with remaining apples. This kitchen-tested recipe makes 5 to 6 apples.

HONEY CARAMEL CORN
1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup honey
Dash salt

Melt butter in large saucepan; stir in sugar, honey and salt. Cook and stir until mixture comes to a boil. Reduce heat to medium; boil without stirring about 3 minutes to 265 degrees. Remove from heat; stir in orange peel and baking soda.

Place popcorn in large heat-proof bowl; slowly pour syrup over popcorn while stirring. Turn

onto greased 15x10x1/2-inch baking pan. Bake at 250 degrees for 45 minutes, stirring every 15 minutes. Cool. Break into serving-sized pieces. Store in tightly covered container. This kitchen-tested recipe makes 3 quarts.

CRANBERRY-PUMPKIN DOUGHNUTS

3 eggs
1/4 cup sugar
3 tablespoons vegetable shortening
2 1/2 cups sifted flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon mace
1 cup canned pumpkin
1/2 cup whole-berry cranberry sauce

In a medium mixing bowl, beat eggs, sugar and shortening together until well blended. Stir in flour, baking powder, salt, nutmeg and mace until well blended. Stir in canned pumpkin and whole-berry cranberry sauce. Chill dough for at least 2 hours. Turn dough onto generously floured surface and with floured rolling pin, roll to 1/2-inch thickness. Using a 3-inch-diameter doughnut cutter, cut shapes out of rolled dough.

In heavy kettle or deep fat fryer, heat 3 to 4 inches of vegetable shortening until bubbling. Place doughnuts one at a time on a wide spatula and put into hot shortening. Turn doughnuts as they rise to the surface. Fry for 3 to 4 minutes, browning on both sides. Drain on absorbent paper. This kitchen-tested recipe makes 3 dozen 2 1/2-inch doughnuts.

CRANBERRY HALLOWEEN PUNCH

1 64-ounce bottle cranberry-juice cocktail
3 cups orange juice
2 cups pink-grapefruit cocktail
1 33.8-ounce bottle lemon-lime soda, chilled

In large container, combine cranberry-juice cocktail, orange juice and pink-grapefruit cocktail; chill. Stir in lemon-lime soda just before serving. Ladle punch into 8-ounce cups half-filled with ice. This kitchen-tested recipe makes 4 quarts, or 16 servings.

Chocolate-flavored syrup (optional)

Sprinkle ladyfingers with 3 tablespoons rum. Line a 9- by 5- by 3-inch loaf pan with plastic wrap. Place three-fourths of the ladyfingers in the pan, rounded side against bottom and sides of pan.

Beat egg yolks, 3 tablespoons rum and coffee until well combined. Stir in melted chocolate. Beat egg whites until stiff peaks form (tips stand straight). Gently fold into chocolate mixture.

In a mixer bowl beat 1/4 cup whipping cream until stiff peaks form. Gently fold into chocolate mixture. Pour into lined pan. Top chocolate mixture with remaining ladyfingers. Cover with plastic wrap. Freeze overnight or until firm or up to 1 week.

Three hours before serving, remove cake from freezer. Whip 1 1/4 cups whipping cream until stiff peaks form. Unmold cake from pan. Frost with whipped cream. Return cake to refrigerator. Garnish top of cake with chocolate curls, if desired. Pass chocolate-flavored syrup, if desired. Makes 12 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 326 cal., 4 g pro., 23 g carb., 24 g fat, 159 mg chol., 41 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 15 percent vit. A.

Ladyfingers, mousse make a delightful cake

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor

Surprise! Slice through the whipped cream frosting and you'll find a layer of ladyfingers and rich chocolate mousse. Prepare this scrumptious mocha loaf — except for the whipped-cream frosting — and freeze for up to a week. Before guests arrive, remove from the freezer, transfer to a serving plate, and pipe or spread the whipped cream.

For most occasions plan for 12 servings from this dessert. After a big meal, or if you offer more than one dessert, cut into 8 slices and halve each slice lengthwise for 16 servings.

CHOCOLATE MOUSSE CHARLOTTE

18 ladyfingers, split
3 tablespoons rum
2 egg yolks
3 tablespoons rum
3 tablespoons hot strong coffee
8 squares (8 ounces) semisweet chocolate, melted
3 egg whites
1/2 cup whipping cream
1 1/4 cups whipping cream
Chocolate curls (optional)

The average American household watches TV for seven hours and two minutes a day, according to A.C. Neilsen reports.

To keep bathroom mirrors and sliding glass doors from fogging up, fill the tub first with cold water, then add the hot water.

Pumpkin takes star role in fall baking

Traditionally American, the pumpkin has long been heralded as a favorite harvest fruit. Early settlers used the pumpkin as a staple during the fall and holiday seasons. "For pottage and puddings, and custards and pies, our pumpkins and parsnips are common supplies," says an old rhyme.

Today, the pumpkin remains a versatile item for fall baking. The two recipes offered here by the Kraft Kitchens present new twists to its dependable, delicious taste.

Both Pumpkin Swirl Squares and Pumpkin Muffins With Honey Nut Spread are designed to meet the needs of autumn and holiday baking 1980s style. These treats take little time to make and can be served from morning 'til night for snacks, brunches, buffets, teas or desserts.

In addition to pumpkin, both recipes feature another favorite ingredient of the baking season, cream cheese. "Light" neufchatel cheese with 25 percent less fat and 20 percent fewer calories than cream cheese can be substituted in each recipe and will perform the same as regular cream cheese.

Pumpkin Swirl Squares combine the great cool weather taste and aroma of pumpkin and cinnamon with a rich cream cheese mixture swirled in to make the end result extra moist and extra special. These cake-like bars are ready to welcome in the harvest season.

Pumpkin Muffins celebrate the reborn popularity of the muffin by featuring favorite fall spices, pumpkin and raisins in these old English teacakes. Originally made popular in London by the "muffin man" who balanced a large tray of treats on his head while ringing a handbell through the streets, the muffin is now seen more in the United States than in its motherland.

While Pumpkin Muffins combine the traditions of the two countries, Honey Nut Spread offers a complementary, contemporary twist. Cream cheese, chopped nuts and honey are



Pumpkin Swirl Squares and Pumpkin Muffins With Honey Nut Spread welcome back one of the most popular fruits of the harvest season. Each preserves a taste of our heritage, complemented by another of the favorite ingredients of the holiday season, cream cheese.

simply mixed together until well blended, chilled and then served with the muffins. As a general rule, muffins should be pulled apart, not cut apart, and then spread.

Both recipes can be easily prepared, baked and ready to serve in one hour. Young goblins gearing up for Halloween could be enlisted as the cook's apprentices for either treat, or the cook can spend a few therapeutic hours alone creating something delicious everyone will enjoy for any

occasion during the holiday season.

PUMPKIN SWIRL SQUARES
1 16-ounce can pumpkin
1 1/4 cups sugar
1/2 cup oil
3 eggs
2 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
Combine pumpkin, 1 1/4 cups

well blended. Add combined dry ingredients, except for remaining sugar; mix well. Combine cream cheese and remaining sugar and egg, mixing until well blended. Spoon pumpkin mixture into greased and floured 15x10x1-inch jelly roll pan. Spoon cream cheese mixture over pumpkin batter. Cut through batter with knife several times for marble effect. Bake at 350°F, 25 to 30 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool; cut into squares. Makes approximately 2 dozen.

Preparation time: 25 minutes. Baking time: 30 minutes plus cooling. Variation: Substitute light neufchatel cheese for cream cheese.

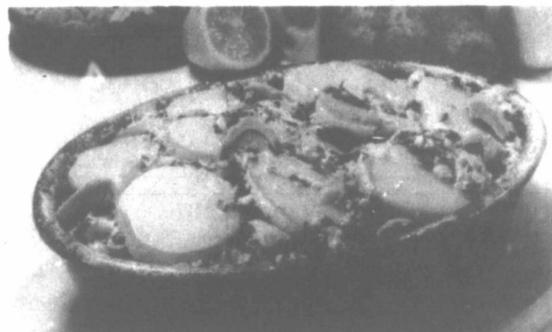
PUMPKIN MUFFINS WITH HONEY NUT SPREAD

1/2 cup margarine
1/4 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 cups flour
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
1 cup pumpkin
1/2 cup raisins
Honey Nut Spread (recipe follows)

Beat margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Blend in eggs and vanilla. Add combined dry ingredients alternately with pumpkin, mixing well after each addition. Stir in raisins. Spoon into greased or paper-lined medium-size muffin pans, filling each cup 3/4 full. Bake at 350°F, 20 to 25 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Serve with:

HONEY NUT SPREAD
1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
1/4 cup chopped nuts
2 tablespoons honey
Combine cream cheese and honey, mixing until well blended. Stir in nuts. Chill. Makes 1 1/2 dozen muffins. Preparation time: 35 minutes. Baking time: 25 minutes. Variation: Substitute light neufchatel cheese for cream cheese.

Casserole features tuna, potatoes, cheese



Tuna-Potato Casserole features two kinds of cheeses that combine with a popular fish and vegetable for a protein-rich entree. It can be prepared in advance for at-home dining or taken to a potluck supper for an inexpensive contribution.

By AILEEN CLAIRE
NEA Food Editor

Tuna, creamed cottage cheese and Swiss cheese combine in a protein-rich main dish starring everyone's favorite — potatoes. This entree can be prepared in advance if desired and refrigerated for use within two days. It also is an inexpensive casserole dish for a bring-a-dish buffet.

TUNA-POTATO CASSEROLE
2 cups (1 pound) creamed cottage cheese
1 egg
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded Swiss cheese
1 can (6 1/2 or 7 ounces) tuna
1 10-ounce package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
1 tablespoon lemon juice

1/2 teaspoon dried leaf thyme
2 teaspoons salt, divided
1/4 teaspoon pepper
4 Idaho potatoes, pared and sliced

In large bowl, mix together cottage cheese, egg, onion, Swiss cheese, tuna, spinach, lemon juice, thyme, 1 teaspoon salt and pepper.

Pare potatoes; slice very thinly. Place half of potatoes in greased 2-quart baking dish. Sprinkle with 1/2 teaspoon salt; spread half of cheese-tuna mixture over potatoes. Repeat with remaining potatoes, salt and cheese-tuna mixture.

Cover and bake in 400-degree oven for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake 30 minutes longer, until potatoes are tender when pierced with a fork. This kitchen-tested recipe makes 6 to 8 servings.

Open-face sandwich has Mexican tang

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor

Try this easy open-face sandwich for lunch, supper, a snack or even brunch. You can prepare the cheese sauce in the microwave oven while the muffins toast.

MEXI-CHEESE MELTS

1/2 of an 8-ounce package cheese spread with jalapeno peppers, cubed
2 tablespoons milk
2 English muffins, split and toasted
1 small tomato, cut into 4 slices
1 small avocado, cut into

8 slices

In a 1-quart microwave-safe casserole combine cheese spread and milk. Cook, covered, on 100 percent power (high) for 1 to 2 minutes or until cheese is melted and hot, stirring once. On each of 2 dinner plates arrange 2 muffin halves. Top each muffin half with 1 tomato slice and 2 avocado slices. Spoon cheese mixture

over muffins. Makes 2 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 549 cal., 22 g pro., 41 g carb., 35 g fat, 54 mg chol., 831 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 39 percent vit. A, 20 percent vit. C, 25 percent thiamine, 30 percent riboflavin, 22 percent niacin, 47 percent calcium, 16 percent iron, 49 percent phosphorus.

Baked sweet potatoes can be stuffed

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor

Bake and stuff these dressed-up sweet potatoes up to three days before you plan to serve them. Cover and refrigerate until serving time. Then heat in the oven or microwave oven until piping hot.

TWICE-BAKED SWEET POTATOES

2 medium sweet potatoes
1 tablespoon maple-flavored syrup
1 tablespoon margarine or butter
Dash ground cinnamon
Dash ground ginger
2 tablespoons chopped pecans
Scrub potatoes. Bake in a 375-degree F oven 40 to 45 minutes or until tender. Cut a small leng-

thwise slice from top of each potato. Scoop out insides into a mixing bowl leaving 1/2-inch shells. Add syrup, margarine, cinnamon and ginger to potatoes; mash. Stir in half the pecans. Spoon mixture into shells. Place in shallow baking dish. Cover; chill.

Before serving, uncover. Top potatoes with remaining pecans and drizzle with additional ma-

ple-flavored syrup. Bake, uncovered, in a 375-degree F oven about 25 minutes. Or, cook in microwave oven on 100 percent power (high) 8 minutes. Makes 2 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 284 cal., 3 g pro., 44 g carb., 12 g fat, 0 mg chol., 84 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 233 percent vit. A, 46 percent vit. C, 14 percent thiamine.

er and cook on 100 percent power (high) for 3 to 5 minutes or until onion is tender. Stir in tomato.

Cook, covered, for 30 to 60 seconds more or until heated through. Top chops with onion mixture. Makes 2 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 469 cal., 49 g pro., 4 g carb., 27 g fat, 74 mg chol., 439 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 13 percent vit. A, 15 percent vit. C, 69 percent thiamine, 32 percent riboflavin, 52 percent niacin, 14 percent iron.

Pork chops can be cooked in microwave oven

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor

Yes, you can cook pork chops in your microwave oven. Use medium-low power for even cooking and check for doneness by cutting near the bone, where meat cooks slowest.

TOMATO-TOPPED PORK CHOPS

2 pork loin chops, cut 1/2-inch thick (about 1 pound total)

1/2 of a medium onion, sliced and separated into rings
1 tablespoon margarine or butter
4 whole black peppercorns, crushed
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon caraway seed
1 medium tomato, seeded and chopped

Trim fat from chops. Sprinkle chops with a little salt. In an 8- by 2-inch baking dish, arrange chops with meatiest portions fac-

ing outside of dish. Cover with clear plastic wrap, turning back a corner to allow escape of steam. Cook on 30 percent power (medium-low) 10 minutes. Give dish a half-turn and turn chops over. Cover and cook on medium-low for 10 to 12 minutes more or until chops are tender and no pink remains. Transfer chops to serving platter; cover to keep warm. Drain juices from baking dish.

In same dish combine onion rings, margarine, pepper, 1/2 teaspoon salt and caraway seed. Cov-

er and cook on 100 percent power (high) for 3 to 5 minutes or until onion is tender. Stir in tomato.

Cook, covered, for 30 to 60 seconds more or until heated through. Top chops with onion mixture. Makes 2 servings.

Lifestyles

Strike up the band



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Pampa's chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Kitchen Band is pictured during its Pampa Senior Citizens Center debut Monday. Pictured from left, are band members and their instruments: Virginia Flaherty, kazoo; Peggy Nipper, bowl; George Flaherty, gizmo; Theola Thompson, spoons; Beula Cox, tam-

bourine; Helene Hogan, kazoo and Charleston dancer; Evelyn McPeak, jug; Norma Rhoden, washboard and piano; Ivo Denson, piano; and AARP President Bill Cox on wash tub bass. The group, inspired by a similar band from Amarillo Senior Citizens Center, performs for residents of the local nursing homes.



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Members of the Christian Women's Fellowship display a sampling of the craft items available in their upcoming bazaar, beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson. Pictured from left are Madell Lanehart, Leda Lyon, Helen Maxey, Dixie Nickols, Helene Hogan and Nancy Brogdin.

First Christian Church's annual Country Fair set for Saturday

Few things signal the approach of the holiday season like church bazaars, smelling of just-baked pies and breads, boasting of homemade crafts, sewing and handwork, in addition to freshly canned vegetables, glistening jellies and all types of candies.

First Christian Church's Christian Women's Fellowship members are hosting their 19th annual Country Fair Saturday beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing through 4 p.m. in the church's Fellowship Hall, 1633 N. Nelson.

Hot cinnamon rolls, fresh from the oven, and coffee will be served beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing until 10:30 a.m.

A lunch of stew and cornbread or chili and crackers will be available from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Adults can eat for \$3.50 and children ages 5 to 12 are \$2. Children ages 4 and under can eat free. Take-out orders are available on all items.

An art gallery, featuring art work by church members, has been added to the booths offered at the Country Fair. It will join arts and crafts, sewing, country kitchen, the men's booth and the children's booth.

Helen Maxey and Leda Lyon co-chaired this year's bazaar, crediting its success to the combined efforts and donations of many people.

Maxey and Lyon were especially aided, they said, by the booth chairmen: Helene Hogan, arts and crafts; Hazel Mullinax, sewing; James Washington, men's; Madell Lanehart and Kate Dudley, country kitchen; Nancy Brogdin, children; and Frances Hall, art gallery.

Bea Dwight and her helpers will once again stay up all night Friday to prepare the cinnamon rolls. Lisa Crossman is in charge of cornbread. Virginia Carruth leads the stew crew and Dixie Nickols heads the chili gang. Ann Jo Weidler commands the pie post.

Barbara Redus handles the tables while Georgia Mack collects tickets and Eva Cash coordinates take-out orders. Clean-up is the domain of Charlene Hood. Publicity chairman is Jimma Crossman.

Make lens choice carefully before ordering eyeglasses

NEW YORK (AP)—Most of the 100 million Americans who wear eyeglasses don't know whether they should have glass or plastic lenses, according to a New York broadcast science specialist.

"Glass is the hardest lens material available," writes Dr. Frank Field, health and science editor of WCBS-TV, in a public service column for Seiko Optical Products. "However, one disadvantage of a glass lens is that it shatters when broken and weighs about twice as much as a plastic lens."

"Although plastic lenses do not

provide adequate security against scratches, they are lighter and easier to tint."

Field, an optometrist serving on the Optometric Advisory Board of the State University of New York, recommends plastic lenses with a scratch-resistant coating added for abrasive protection.

Because of its many advantages, lenses made of plastic account for some 65 percent of all lenses worn in the U.S., according to Field, who also notes there are several choices between single

and multifocal prescriptions.

For those who need glasses for reading, he says, in addition to a choice of either a full reading glass or half-eye, there are two multifocal options available.

Progressive lenses, the newest entries in the multifocal market, he adds, have no telltale line to show a multiple prescription.

"By providing a gradual transition between correction areas," Field explains, "progressives allow the wearer more natural eye movement. Flat-top bifocals, on the other hand, create a jump in natural eye movement."

Reader's Digest to honor educators

PLEASANTVILLE, N.Y. (AP) — A \$500,000, three-year program to honor outstanding educators has been undertaken by Reader's Digest.

The American Heroes in Education will honor 10 educators, or teams of up to six teachers and principals, each year for their efforts in making a difference in U.S. schools.

The publishing company says any teacher, principal or administrator in elementary or secondary

education may nominate a fellow educator.

Individual winners or teams will receive \$5,000 each, with \$10,000 to the schools.

Co-sponsors of the program are the American Federation of Teachers, the National Education Association, National Association of Elementary School Principals and National Association of Secondary Principals.

Woman's boyfriend insists she measure up to his ideal

DEAR ABBY: I am a 33-year-old petite blonde, and after knowing a lot of jerks who have done me wrong, I finally found a wonderful man who is kind, fun, intelligent and caring.

The problem? He insists that I have surgery to increase the size of my bust. I feel happy with myself the way I am and wish he could love me this way. He says he wouldn't spend the rest of his life looking at other women's breasts if the perfect body was at his side.

I really don't want to do this, but I don't want to lose him. And I'm a little hurt knowing he feels this way.

Should I have this surgery done to please him? Or try to find someone who will love me the way I am?

BLONDIE

DEAR BLONDIE: Your "kind, intelligent and caring" man is

another jerk. If you are happy with yourself the way you are, leave yourself alone. I am not opposed to breast augmentation surgery — it has done wonders for many women — but a man who would threaten you by saying he would spend the rest of his life looking at other women if you didn't "shape up" is no prize. Trust me.

DEAR ABBY: In the past, you have often run letters from single, wealthy people who have no heirs and want to know what to do with their money when they pass away.

Well, how about giving it to the local library? Our public libraries are one of the most important, yet one of the most neglected, of all municipal facilities.

In view of the miserable state of our public educational system and the rampant illiteracy in our soci-

ety, supporting the public libraries with gifts and endowments is one of the most worthwhile things anyone can do with his or her wealth.

L. DAVIS ALMAND, SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR L. DAVIS ALMAND: Bravo! Thank you for a valuable

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Abigail Van Buren



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 - Antelopes
 - Neighbor of Md.
 - Hawkeye State
 - Othello villain
 - 506, Roman
 - Life story
 - Intend
 - Room shape
 - Actress Merkel
 - British chemist
 - Ariz. time
 - Garden moisture
 - Phantom
 - Florida race track
 - Adjective ending
 - Senator Jake
 - Actress Ruby
 - Wool fiber
 - Skirt part
 - Actress Teri
 - Stuck
 - False report
 - Dawn goddess
 - Moines
 - African land
 - Lair
 - Temp. unit
 - Capture
 - Study of nerves
 - Sicken
 - Slave
 - Actor
 - Novello
 - Use experimentally
 - Roll-top
 - Mexican money

- DOWN**
- Scoff
 - Drudge
 - Off base illegally (Army term)
 - Horse (sl.)
 - Monster
 - California city
 - Exclamation of disgust
 - High-protein food
 - WWII event
 - Vice
 - Citrus fruit
 - Reddish-brown
 - Nocturnal bird
 - Future bks.
 - Dreadful
 - Lollibrigida
 - Cultivated
 - Elf
 - Heartless
 - Kind of cheese
 - Of aircraft
 - German Mr.
 - Runs
 - Cried
 - Short for Augustus
 - Poetic contraction
 - Divorce capital
 - Actress Bo
 - Small fly
 - Barber's concern
 - Efficiently
 - Asks for payment
 - Small pigeon
 - Conceits
 - Compass type
 - Language suffix
 - Mouth part

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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GEECH By Jerry Bittle

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I JUST GOT A LETTER FROM MY CONGRESSMAN...

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IT'S MY THEORY THAT THE WORLD IS ROUND AND GRAVITY HOLDS US IN PLACE.

WHAT IF YOU LIVE ON THE BOTTOM?

ALL THE BLOOD RUSHES TO YOUR HEAD.

I'M AFRAID OUR FRIEND PETER HAS BOTTOMED OUT.

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Chances for adding to your resources continue to look good again today. However, you are going to have to assert yourself in order to better your position. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be extra mindful of your appearances and demeanor today. You are going to be noticed wherever you go. If you make a favorable impression, it will not be easily forgotten.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You have an enormous amount of inner resolve from which to draw upon today. This will put you in good stead if you have to contend with testy developments.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Friends may be leaning on you a bit more than usual today, so be prepared to assume some of their burdens. You won't be bombarded by anything you can't handle.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Do not put off until tomorrow anything that should be done today, especially if it pertains to your career. You're on a roll, so make the most of it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Profit from past experiences today by not falling back on faulty habits that previously caused you complications.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Profit is a strong possibility in business affairs today if you fully utilize your intelligence and insights wisely.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A loyal and forceful friend will be operating on your behalf today in a situation where you may be unable to bring your full weight to bear.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You're ready to handle tasks or assignments today from which you would normally shy away. Don't let the challenge intimidate you. Be positive regarding your abilities.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) People with whom you'll be involved today will look to you for direction. This should be especially true in any dealings you have that include members of the opposite sex.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) The concerns of those in your charge are likely to take priority over personal needs today. You'll be able to do for them what they can't do for themselves.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Powers of concentration should be extremely acute today. Mental chores that require your total attention will be a breeze.

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MARVIN By Tom Armstrong

SO FAR WHILE MOM'S BEEN GONE I'VE BEEN PRETTY EASY ON THE OLD MAN

NOW IT'S TIME TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN

OH GOSH! WHAT'S WRONG?! ARE YOU SLEEPY?! ...HUNGRY?! ...TEETHING?! ...SICK?!

WAH!

ALLEY OOP By Dave Graue

SO MUCH FOR CATCHER NUMBER TWO!

YEAH, BUT WE STILL HAVE THOSE FEMALE HUBOTS TO CONTEND WITH!

WE'VE GOTTA FIGURE OUT SOME WAY TO GET RID OF 'EM!

YOU'D BETTER DO IT FAST, ALLEY OOP!

...THEY ARE HERE!

SNAFU By Bruce Beattie

"This should do the trick..."

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"Miss Johnson ate some old chili and got toenail poisoning."

THE BORN LOSER By Art Sansom

HACK HACK

GIVE THE PASSWORD!

PASSWORD?

UH... OPEN SESAME?

OPEN SES-A-WHO?

PEANUTS By Charles M. Schultz

BEING LEFT ALONE IN THE CAR ISN'T SO BAD..

THAT WAS A PRETTY LADY WHO PATTED ME ON THE HEAD...

SO WHO CARES IF SHE SCRATCHED OUR DOOR WHEN SHE GOT OUT OF HER CAR?...

MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson

"It's him, again. That's the problem with automatic doors."

WINTHROP By Dick Cavalli

YOUR DAD TOOK YOU TO THE BALLGAME?

UH-HUH..

WHAT WAS THE FINAL SCORE?

LET'S SEE... I HAD...

THREE HOT DOGS, THREE BAGS OF PEANUTS AND TWO LEMONADES.

CALVIN AND HOBBS By Bill Watterson

IT'S BEEN 20 MINUTES SINCE YOU'VE BEEN SICK, SO LET'S TAKE YOUR TEMPERATURE.

IG GOMFA FOME UBHIGGIN.

WHAT'D YOU SAY, HONEY?

IG GOMFA FOME UBHIGGIN.

AACK! WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO? GIVE ME THE THERMOMETER! RUN! RUN!

FRANK AND ERNEST By Bob Thaves

BEWARE OF THE HYPERACTIVE DOG

GARFIELD By Jim Davis

CUT THAT OUT, GARFIELD

IF YOU DON'T STOP STARRING AT ME, I'M LEAVING THE ROOM!

THERE! HAPPY?!

QUITE

Sports

Landry feels Cowboys still have playoff shot

IRVING, Texas (AP)—Tom Landry figures the Dallas Cowboys have already blown one avenue into the NFL playoffs with their poorest start since 1974.

The stumbling 2-4 beginning out of the gate means the Cowboys can't play a wild card into their first playoff appearance in three years, says the Cowboys' coach.

"Anybody can still win our division in the (NFC) east," Landry said on Tuesday. "But with the other divisions going like they are no wild card will be there."

"We've still got a good shot. I don't think about being out of it. But we just have to get competitive. It's still early. We can do it."

The Cowboys, coming off a 35-17 loss to Washington, are in the NFC East cellar with rough road games on the schedule against Chicago and Philadelphia.

Dallas isn't home until Oct. 30 against the Phoenix Cardinals.

Chicago rated a seven-point favorite over the Cowboys in Sunday's game at noon against one of Landry's former pupils, Mike Ditka, who is 2-1 over his old mentor.

"I think we will come back, I hope so," Landry said. "We played well for five games then went flat against the Redskins. It's a team I don't like to lose to. I'm just now getting over it."

"We just beat ourselves with five turnovers,"

Landry said. "Every time we started to get back into the game we self-destructed."

Landry absolved quarterback Steve Pelluer for some of the blame although admitting "it was his worst game."

"I have a lot of confidence in him and I still believe he can do the job," Landry said. "He made some bad decisions but I feel he's coming along."

Asked if Danny White could see so more action, Landry said "I don't know when I'll go to somebody."

Injuries have hurt the Cowboys. At wide receiver Michael Irvin and Kelvin Edwards have leg injuries.

Irvin underwent another series of X-rays on his

ankle Tuesday but they were negative.

Landry could bring back Mike Renfro, Cornell Burbage or Gordon Banks if he needs a wide receiver. All are free agents without a team.

At safety, Victor Scott is out for the season with a shoulder injury and Michael Downs has a groin pull. Landry said he could move either Bill Bates or Everson Walls to safety if he decides not to start rookie Billy Owens. Landry said the Cowboys' secondary needs to awaken.

"(Cornerback) Ron Francis is sort of shell-shocked right now," Landry said. "He has great closing speed but he isn't doing the job. We have to get him back to playing like he did last year. Right now they are just bombing our right corner spot."



(AP Laserphoto)

Dodger pitcher Brian Holton slides safely into home.

Mets deadlock NL playoffs

LOS ANGELES (AP)—David Cone rewrote his story and Davey pitcher Tim Lary which gave New York a 4-0 lead.

In his shortest performance of the year as a starter, Cone allowed five runs in two innings of Game 2 last Wednesday night, and the Dodgers won 6-3.

In the celebrated column which appeared earlier that day, he wrote that Hersher was "lucky" to shut out the Mets for eight innings in the opener a night earlier and that ace Dodgers reliever Jay Howell "reminded us of a high school pitcher" because of all the curveballs he threw.

When asked how he would write Tuesday night's performance, Cone said, "I don't think I should probably answer that. I've tried to put it all behind me, but it just won't go away."

"I wanted to do so well tonight, but I was a little jittery at the start. Fortunately, I made some good pitches to get out of it and that is the way I would write it."

Cone appeared to be a lot jittery. After the Mets scored a run in the top of the first, marking the first time they had scored first in the playoffs, Cone's first seven pitches in the bottom of the inning to Steve Sax and Mickey Hatcher were balls.

After throwing a strike to Hatcher, Cone threw another

ball, putting runners at first and second with nobody out.

With the Dodger Stadium crowd of 55,885 going nuts, up stepped Kirk Gibson.

Gibson took a strike before popping up a bunt which Cone caught. Mike Marshall then fled to left and Cone struck out John Shelby to end the threat.

"Kirk Gibson bunting probably turned the game around," Cone said. "I really wasn't thinking situation baseball at the time. I was just trying to throw strikes."

He did so the rest of the way, walking only one more batter and finishing with six strikeouts.

The Dodgers got a runner past first base only twice after that and there were two outs each time.

The changes Johnson made in his lineup got results right away. After Lenny Dykstra reached base on Dodger first baseman Hatcher's error to start the game, Wally Backman, elevated from the eighth spot to second in the order, delivered a hit-and-run single, sending Dykstra to third, from where he scored on a sacrifice fly by McReynolds.

The Mets got their final run in the sixth on a one-out, leg double to left by Dykstra and a two-out, broken-bat single by center by Hernandez.

Backdoor Bengals quickly gaining respect

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

Just before the 1986 draft, a couple of the NFL's best personnel evaluators were asked about David Fulcher, a 6-foot-3, 230-pound safety from Arizona State who was projected as anything from a first-rounder to a fifth.

"What is he, a linebacker or defensive back?" asked the first, a pro personnel director.

"I don't know what position we'd play him at... if any," said the second, a coach. "He's a step slow for the secondary, maybe not strong enough for linebacker."

For the record, Fulcher is playing strong safety for the Cincinnati Bengals, who took him on the third round. He's becoming one of the best at his position in the NFL—strong enough to jam the run, fleet enough to stay with receivers like the New York Jets' Al Toon, whom he thwarted on a fly pattern in Cincinnati's 36-19 vic-

tory on Sunday. If blond, articulate Boomer Esiason, the NFL's leading passer, is getting the ink and the television spots, there is far more to Cincinnati's resurgence from 4-11 last season to 6-0 this season as the league's only unbeaten team.

In fact, winning is turning the Bengals from one of the league's most maligned organizations to one of the most respected. Like teams such as the Bears, Redskins, 49ers and Giants, the Bengals have parlayed choices in the lower rounds of the draft into functional players.

And this with an organization, headed by Paul Brown, that often is ridiculed for its penury.

It has just one full-time scout compared to up to a dozen for some teams; it's frequently the last team to sign its first-draft pick, and it's paying just eight players on injured reserve compared to 26 for Washington, one of many teams that "stashes" developmental players such as

quarterback Mark Rypien with suspect injuries.

Fulcher is one ingredient, the glue to a maturing defense that's supplementing the already explosive offense.

Another is right tackle Joe Walter, a 6-6, 290-pounder taken on the seventh round in 1985.

He keeps Brian Blados, a 1984 first-rounder on the bench. Walter has shut down two of the league's premier pass rushers, Reggie White of the Eagles and Mark Gastineau of the Jets, and

is being compared favorably to Anthony Munoz, his All-Pro counterpart on the left side.

"He's as good as Anthony, just ask Anthony," Esiason says. Munoz, when asked, replies: "He's improved every year. He's a good player."

There are a lot of Walters on the Bengals, particularly on defense, the kind of guys you look at and ask: "Where did he come from?"

The most notable is nose tackle Tim Krumrie, a 10th-round pick in 1983.

District 1-4A football standings

(overall record in brackets)
Frenship, 3-0-0 (3-2-0); Estacado, 3-0-1 (5-0-1); Levelland, 3-1-0 (4-1-1); Hereford, 1-1-1 (3-1-1); Dunbar, 2-2-0 (3-3-0); Pampa, 1-2-0 (1-4-0); Randall, 1-2-0 (1-4-0); Borger, 1-3-0 (1-5-0); Dumas, 0-4-0 (0-6-0).

Last Week's Results
Frenship 34, Borger 0; Randall

20, Dumas 12; Levelland 19, Hereford 6; Estacado 7, Dunbar 6, Pampa, open.

This Week's Schedule
Dunbar at Hereford, 7:30 p.m.; Randall at Estacado, 7:30 p.m.; Frenship at Dumas, 7:30 p.m.; Levelland at Pampa, 7:30 p.m.; Borger, open.

Canadian faces top district contender

By SONNY BOHANAN
Sports Writer

(All games begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday)

CANADIAN at QUANAH
The second week of conference play finds the Wildcats pitted against the top District 2-2A contender.

Quanah, 5-1 overall and 1-0 in loop action, suffered its only loss of the year to Class 3A Childress in the season opener. The Indians, who have outscored their opponents 216-54, are clearly the cream of the 2-2A crop.

Canadian stands at 4-2 (1-0 in district) following last week's 51-22 victory over Clarendon. The Wildcats are in for a considerably tougher contest this week.

"Quanah is the most talented team we'll play this year," Canadian coach Paul Wilson said. "They're the best team in the district at all 11 positions, especially the skill positions."

The most important task confronting the Wildcats is to stop running back Setrick Dickens, who has gained over 100 yards in every game.

"Dickens is a bona-fide All-Stater at any classification," Wilson said.

Against Shamrock last week, three Quanah rushers gained over 100 yards. Dickens carried 17 times for 145 yards, Isabel Sanchez had 12 for 120 and Jason Swindell was five for 104. They scored six touchdowns between them.

On defense, Chris Milligan had

six tackles and two interceptions, while teammate Jim Moncrief had nine tackles.

The Indian defense should have its hands full with the Canadian passing game. Quarterback Shane Lloyd completed nine of 17 tosses for 250 yards last week, including two touchdowns. He is 44 of 106 for 888 yards on the season.

Colby Butcher is Canadian's primary rushing threat. He found 121 yards on 16 carries last week and has scored seven touchdowns in six games.

The Wildcat defense is another story. Cory Smith, Dax Robinett, Brent Shields and Matt Martin have all been sidelined with injuries, leaving Canadian with "a shell of a defense," as Wilson puts it.

"We're having a hard time improving on defense," he said. "We're hurting."

Canadian, Memphis and Quanah are currently tied for first place in District 2-2A with one win apiece. This weekend will eliminate at least one of them from the deadlock.

"If we don't hook it up," Wilson said, "it'll be bad for us on Friday night."

MEMPHIS at SHAMROCK
After last week's 52-0 loss to Quanah, any matchup would be a welcome breather for the Irish. Unfortunately, Shamrock meets the Memphis Cyclones this week, the second-best team in the district.

Memphis, like Quanah, is 5-1 overall and 1-0 in conference

play. Also like Quanah, the Cyclones' only defeat came at the hands of Childress.

"They're not quite the team that Quanah is," Shamrock coach Ed Johnson said, "but they're awfully tough. You don't go 5-1 at this point by not being able to play. We have our work cut out for us to stay in the ball game with them."

The Irish stand at 2-4 on the season, 0-1 in district. They were limited to 62 total yards on offense last week against Quanah.

The Cyclones defeated Wellington 22-6 in Friday's district opener as Johnny Scott rushed for 159 yards and one touchdown on 24 carries. Memphis gained 261 yards on the ground and limited the Skyrockets to 84 yards rushing.

Wellington has outscored opponents by a margin of 122 to 60, while the Irish have been outscored 168-67.

Despite the tough game ahead, the Irish remain undaunted. "The kids want to play," Johnson said, "and we're gonna give it heck again and keep going."

WHITE DEER at CLAUDE
Tough break for the Claude Mustangs this week. Claude, winless in five outings, faces the undefeated Bucks (6-0) in the third week of District 1-A play.

This is a highly unlikely week for Claude to pick up that first win. The hapless Mustangs were defeated 55-6 by Wheeler last Friday and have been outscored by their opponents 194-37 overall.

A's getting ready

By DAVE CARPENTER
AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND, Calif.—Storm Davis waved a bat menacingly and yelled "Everybody out of the way out there!" to his teammates deep in the outfield as he stepped into the Oakland Coliseum batting cage.

Then he hit a ground ball. If the Athletics' pitchers are taking batting practice, it must be World Series time.

At Oakland's first pre-Series workout Tuesday, A's manager Tony La Russa announced that Dave Stewart, Storm Davis and Bob Welch will start the first three games. Coincidentally, all three are ex-National Leaguers with hitting experience that could come in handy in Games 1, 2, 6 and 7 when designated hitters will not be used in the National League park.

"They won't be able to do enough (batting practice) in the next couple of weeks to overcome the disadvantage we have," La Russa said. "But our starters are all good athletes, so I think they'll be all right."

La Russa is more focused on a couple of decisions he will have to make this week.

Regular second baseman Glenn Hubbard, who was left off the playoff roster due to a hamstring pull, will be back for the Series if his leg is healthy by Friday's World Series roster deadline, according to La Russa. Otherwise, Mike Gallego and Tony Phillips will

again share the second-base duties.

The manager also hasn't made up his mind whether to play Dave Parker or Luis Polonia in left field against right-handed starters in the first two games. Because there is no DH in those games, whoever doesn't start will have to sit on the bench.

"If it's Luis we don't have our leadoff guy, and if it's Dave we don't have our number four hitter," La Russa said. "So it will affect our plans either way."

La Russa said he won't commit to a fourth-game starter until he sees how the first three games go. He said left-hander Curt Young, who spent the playoffs in the bullpen, could get a start.

Stewart, who started twice in the playoffs and won Sunday's finale 4-1, hit some line drives and long fly balls during his turn in the batting cage, but said he's not looking forward to hitting in the World Series.

"I'm looking forward to pitching, because that's what I do best," he said.

"In 1981, I hit a three-run triple against Cincinnati," he said. As for his lifetime average, he only knows that it's "two-something." Sorry, Dave, it's actually .196. Stewart said he's also a "real good bunter."

Davis is a worse hitter, going only 1-for-16, .063, last year for San Diego in his only NL season.

Rodeo club competes at Wheeler

The Pampa Rodeo Club participated in a Tri-State High School Rodeo last weekend in Wheeler.

In the girls' division, Cydney Morris was fourth in goat tying (12.246) and Tamra Johnson placed fifth in breakaway roping (11.162). Keziah Rucker placed seventh in pole bending (23.088).

In the boys' division, Roy Reams tied for third in bullriding (64) and Steve Anderson was eighth in bullriding (50). This weekend the Pampa teams will meet River Road in a Tri-State Rodeo at the Range Riders Arena in Amarillo.

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Tyson injured

NEW YORK (AP) — Heavyweight champion Mike Tyson has reportedly refractured his right hand, possibly putting a crimp in his scheduled title defense on Dec. 17 against Frank Bruno.

Bill Cayton, Tyson's manager, confirmed Tuesday that he had been called by promoter Don King from Cleveland with the news that may affect the champion's fight schedule.

The latest revelations were contained in a story in Wednesday's edition of the New York Daily News.

According to reports, Tyson was hitting the heavy bag in a gym on King's farm in Orwell, Ohio, when the injury occurred.

Tyson originally had been scheduled to start training Monday in Catskill, N.Y.

Cayton said he could not be positive whether the apparent hairline fracture on the third metacarpal of the right hand, which Tyson injured in a street fight with Mitch Green in August in New York, was new or old.

That original injury forced postponement of the fight with Bruno until October. Further problems moved the fight back two more times, to December.

According to the News, Cayton said he spoke to the doctor who treated Tyson in Cleveland and was told the injury was "minor." Cayton said it is still possible for Tyson to keep his four-times postponed date with Bruno.

"There are nine weeks to the fight and a hairline fracture usually takes only three weeks to heal," Cayton said.

Cayton said Tyson was expected to arrive in New York today or tomorrow to be examined by Dr. David Chiu. Chiu treated Tyson after the fight with Green.

"I think they want to keep him (Tyson) in Cleveland because they're afraid of papers being served on him," Cayton was quoted as saying.

Sprinter charged



Olympic sprinter Ben Johnson of Canada leaves a Toronto police station Tuesday after being charged with assault and dangerous use of a weapon. Johnson, who lost his gold medal after testing positive for steroids, is to appear in provincial court Oct. 25.

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Aggies host Baylor

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Darren Lewis will be brushing bruised shoulders against one of the nation's defenses on Saturday when his team hosts against Baylor.

The Texas A&M sophomore running back, whose shoulders are slightly injured, has run in the last three games like no one has in the Southwest Conference since Earl Campbell reeled off 566 yards in the last three games of 1977.

Lewis, who has 546 yards against Texas A&M's last three opponents, including 201 yards on 40 carries against Houston.

Of course, Campbell impressed so many people with his work he also ran off with a Heisman Trophy.

Aggies coach Jackie Sherrill doesn't sound real anxious to start talking Heisman for the Dallas Carter product just yet.

"When you say Heisman, you're rolling the dice," Sherrill said. "He's young, and it's not even a deal."

But the Bears undoubtedly consider Lewis a test of their sturdy rushing defense that has only allowed 82 yards per game. Overall, Baylor is yielding only 215 yards of offense a game.

"Baylor defensively is a good football team," Sherrill said. "Their ability allows them to keep seven or eight players on the line of scrimmage at all times and that allows them to stop the run."

Texas A&M seems to have overcome its early problems. The Aggies scored only 29 points in their first three games, but scored a total of 80 points against Texas Tech and Houston.

"I don't think we're on a mission or anything," Sherrill said. "We're just going one game at a time. You can't go out and give the effort our team has week after week without results."

Baylor, 4-2 overall and 0-2 in conference, has lost the last two contests it has played with Texas A&M. But between 1978 and 1985, the Bears dominated Texas A&M with seven wins in eight games.

Texas Open slated

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The purse is down by \$1.4 million, but the Texas Open this week can make a claim rarely seen on the PGA Tour — dual defending champions.

Tom Watson and John Mahaffey occupy that (or those) position(s).

Mahaffey, in 1985, was the last man to win this tournament under its current title, the Texas Open.

The last two years, the tournament, on the Oak Hills Country Club course, was host to the multi-million-dollar Nabisco Championships of Golf.

Watson won it last year, leading all the way as he broke a three-year victory drought.

Nabisco, however, now has taken its \$2-million event to Pebble Beach, Calif. (to be played next month) and the San Antonio tournament reclaimed the name it first used in 1922 — the Texas Open.

While Mahaffey is the last winner of that title, Watson will be back in a role he sees as that of a defender.

"I won there. It's only right that I go back and defend there," the six-time Player of the Year and five-time British Open winner said earlier this season.

He'll face a course that has undergone some slight — and unplanned — alterations. On three holes, trees have been lost to tornadoes spawned by Hurricane Gilbert on Sept. 17.

"It doesn't change the course's playability that much," Mahaffey said. "Other than that, the course is in great shape, maybe

the best I've seen it." Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for his golf game. The former PGA champion has missed the cut in seven of his last 10 starts.

Which brings up another similarity with Watson — neither has won this year and each needs a victory here (worth \$108,000 from the total purse of \$600,000) to insure his eligibility for the \$2-million Nabisco tournament.

Only the top 30 money-winners from the year will make it into that exclusive event. Mahaffey ranks 42nd.

Watson, although the 1987 winner of the Nabisco title, also must meet the top-30 qualification. At the moment, he ranks 36th with \$269,484, \$20,416 back of the current No. 30.

Four more tournaments, including this one, remain to qualify for Nabisco, but Watson earlier said he is unlikely to play in the other three.

Two of the other major challengers in the tournament that begins Thursday have points of similarity. Both Tom Kite and PGA champ Jeff Sluman may be suffering from jet lag. Sluman played in England last week and Kite was in Japan.

Ben Crenshaw, No. 4 on the money list this season and a former winner at Oak Hills, is the most likely favorite.

Some other leading contenders include Mark Calcavecchia, Lanny Wadkins, Bob Tway, Payne Stewart, Hal Sutton and recent winners David Frost and Mark Brooks.

Lewis top SWC player

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — The Baylor Bears should note with concern the escalating yardage production of Texas A&M running back Darren Lewis.

In the past three games, Lewis has gained 168, 177 and 201 yards rushing. This week the Aggies' ground-gobbling machine is aimed at the Bears.

Lewis rushed 201 yards on a career high 27 carries last week, leading the Aggies to a 30-16 victory over Houston, and earning The Associated Press SWC Offensive Player of the Week honor.

The Aggie defense slowed down the Houston run and shoot offense with eight quarterback sacks, two by linebacker John Roper and three by safety Brent Smith.

Roper and Smith share The AP's SWC Defensive Player of the Week honor.

Lewis, who suffered a toe injury in A&M's season-opener against Nebraska, gained his yards Saturday against the nation's No. 2 defense against the rush.

"The coaches felt they needed to go to me more," Lewis said. "They told me before the game what they were going to do."

"We wore Houston down and found their weaknesses and things just broke loose. My offensive line played a big part in it and I thank them for it."

Lewis' three-game total of 546 yards broke the school record of 531 set by Bob Smith in 1960.

Lewis sat out the second half of the Nebraska game and missed all of the second game against Louisiana State.

He returned with 168 yards against Oklahoma State and had 177 yards against Texas Tech.

Spikers lose to Dumas

DUMAS — Dumas extended its District 1-4A record to 9-0 with a 15-4, 17-5 victory over Pampa in high school volleyball action Tuesday night.

The Lady Harvesters drop to 4-5 in the district standings and will play Lubbock Dunbar at 2 p.m. Saturday in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa made a lot of mental mistakes in the first game against Dumas, but came back to play one of their best games of the season, said coach Mike Lopez.

"We gave up a lot of easy points in the first game, but we came back and blocked and spiked the ball

well the second game," Lopez said.

Dori Kidwell and Yolanda Brown played an outstanding floor game for the Lady Harvesters while Leslie Bailey and Schivon Parker, both played well at the net.

Traci Cash and Kandy Winton also had a good game as setters.

"Rocky Pritchard showed good hustle and Rebecca Howard did a tremendous job for us," said Lopez.

Howard was moved up from the junior varsity to take the place of April Thompson, who is out with a virus.

Dumas also won the JV match 15-3, 15-8.

Patriots win indoor soccer match

The Pampa Patriots defeated the Thomas Tornados of Amarillo 3-2 in an Under 14 boys indoor soccer match last weekend.

The Patriots scored an early goal and never trailed, leading 3-2 at the end of the first half. The second half was highlighted by outstanding defense and missed

scoring opportunities.

Pampa goals were scored by Sal Del Ferro and Andy Sutton while Lanny Schale played outstanding defense.

Remaining matches will be played each Saturday, starting at 1:30 p.m. through Nov. 5 at Southwest Park in Amarillo.

Pampa gymnasts compete at El Paso

The M.G. Flyers Gymnastics Team of Pampa competed in the third District Qualifying Meet recently in El Paso.

Mechelle Abbott, Traci Baumgardner, Jamie Henwood and Amy Watson of the Flyers have qualified for the District Championships Oct. 21-22 in Odessa. Haley Going qualified at the first district qualifying meet, but will not be able to compete due to illness.

The El Paso meet was the last of the qualifying meets for the Flyers.

In the Class Four (8 years and under) Novice Division, Mandy Parks was second on bars, third on vault, fourth on beam, sixth on floor and second in all-around.

In the Class Four (9 to 11) Novice Division, Natalie Riley had a 25.50, Andrea Phillips, 23.30 and Andy Bullard, a 24.20 in all-around. Jamie Henwood was first on beam.

In the Class Four (9 to 11) Experienced Division, Amy Watson was fourth on bars, fifth on vault, fourth on beam, second on floor, and fourth in all-around.

In the Class Four Experienced Division (12 years and older), Jeanne Brown was first on bars, vault, beam and all-around. Jeanne also placed second on floor.

In the Class Three (9 to 11) Novice Division, Mechelle Abbott was sixth on bars, first on vault, sixth on beam and fourth in all-around.

In the Class Three (15 and older) Experienced Division, Traci Baumgardner was first on bars, vault, floor and all-around. Traci was also second on beam.

The Pampa Dust Devils also competed in the El Paso meet.

Jamie Smith, competing in the Class Three 9-11 age group, was first on vault and beam, third on bars, and second on floor and all-around.

The Class Three 12-14 age group made an impressive run in the all-around category, placing second, third and fourth while finishing out of first by only 500ths.

Kari Bertram was first in bar and beam, fourth on vault and second on floor and all-around. Ashley Childress was first on vault, fourth on bars, third on beam, fifth on floor and third in all-around. Carrie Whinery was fifth on bars and beam and fourth in all-around.

In Class Four, Katy Cavalier was fourth on vault, fifth on beam and first on floor while Tiffany Love placed third on beam and fifth on floor. Danica Weeks placed fourth on beam and second on floor.

Tiger League roundup

Matt Garvin scored three touchdowns as the Colts downed the Packers 30-6 in Tiger League football action Tuesday night at Optimist Park.

Matt Utzman scored the Colts other TD.

Eric Parker broke loose on a 45-yard scoring run for the Packers.

Albert Solis had an outstanding defensive game for the Packers.

The Raiders won over the Redskins 34-14.

Floyd White had TD runs of 40 and 61 yards for the Raiders. Dwain Nickelberry scored on a 69 yard run and Jeremy Fowler ran back an interception 45 yards for a score. Keith Stewart ran for a touchdown.

Kyle Parnell scored both Redskin TDs, one on a 25-yard run.

Rayford Young played outstanding defense for the Redskins.

In Thursday's games, the Raiders meet the Rams at 6 p.m., followed by the Colts and the Redskins at 7:30 p.m.

'Choke joke' backfires on football fans

FROM THE NOTEPAD: For caller: No. Boston Red Sox third base coach RAC SLIDER and JOE HASSE, father of Oakland all-purpose performer Ron who wrecked the World Series hopes of the Bean Towers, were not teammates on the old Pampa Oilers. Joe, or Bill as he was nicknamed, was three seasons ahead of Slider, nicknamed Little Britches...Drop the temperature 15-20 degrees and weather conditions at Shea Stadium for Game 3 of the NLCS were almost identical to what the PRIDE OF PAMPA BAND faced while performing there for the 1988 AFL title game. It wasn't enjoyable then, either...When he's concentrating intensely, Dodger pitcher JOHN TUDOR looks like Berger's standout basketball coach DUANE HUNT...Depending on seniority, NFL officials earn between \$600-\$1,800 for regular season games, with a set figure of \$5,000 for playoff contests, and \$7,500 for the Super Bowl, plus expenses...The prank has backfired on Syracuse fans who sent Auburn coach PAT DYE neckties when he settled for a field goal that produced a 16-16 deadlock in the Sugar Bowl last New Years Day. Dye has autographed the ties and sold them to Auburn fans, raising over \$25,000 for the Tiger athletic department.

Former Indiana Coach LEE CORSO, now with ESPN, says of the action by Alabama to refuse to play at College Station under the Hurricane Gilbert threat: "If I had known it was so easy to cancel games when I was coaching, I wouldn't ever have gone to Lincoln or Baton Rouge or Columbus." Then he might still have been coaching, too...Isn't there

Sports Forum

By Warren Hasse



something sadly wrong when the state's public school's decide only one month out of nine is worth emphasizing attendance. Does the effort placed on getting Texas' students into the classrooms in October mean education that month is more important than other months, or does it say that hyping attendance (like the national test scores) to secure salary-inducing tax dollars is more important than attendance those other months?...It might pay other District 1-4A coaches to attend the Texas Tech women's basketball clinic Oct. 30. Perennial district and state girl's champion coach DEAN WEESE of Levelland will explain his successful 1-2-1-1 winning defense...But how did they find him: New Mexico State has a place kicker named DAT LY from South Vietnam. He booted an NCAA record-tying five field goals in the recent Aggie rout of Kansas...In a bid for television viewers, the annual Tournament of Roses Parade this year will have a couple, yet to be selected, who will exchange wedding vows aboard a "Romance in California" float as it passes the TV cameras. ROBIN and MIKE renewing their vows would gather the viewers, and the divorce lawyer and mother-in-law could get aboard as soon as the float turns the corner.

Coaches who threaten middle and high school athletes with being called a "quitter" if the athlete determines he/she no longer enjoys or wants to participate in a sport have really branded themselves as "losers" and have no right to be part of the coaching profession or the teaching profession...The word is "dual", not "duel", when two schools meet in golf or tennis competition, just as three schools make a "triangular", not a war...Former Harvesters golfer TOMMY ROSE is president of the Amarillo YMCA Board...When LA and NY battled past midnight (EDST time) and then came back for a noon game the next day brought back memories of the Texas State Basketball Tournament when a team playing and losing the final game Friday night had to return to play for a meaningless third place at 10 am Saturday morning. Pampa got involved in that in 1955, losing to Waco 67-61 at night and less than 12 hours later falling to Beaumont, 62-52...Possible good news for American League fans. Rumors are that WGN might pick up telecasts of Chicago White Sox games next season if WFLD-TV, the current rights owner, is successful in breaking its contract with the league doormat. It would be in addition to the usual Cub schedule...How come the price of

West Texas crude has fallen 33 percent but the price at the gas pump HAS NOT dropped even one-tenth of a cent?

If you want fun at the football game, rivet your attention on the umpire rather than the ball carrier and see how he tries to dodge runners, avoid linebackers and tacklers, not hinder the receivers, and generally attempt to avoid disrupting a play while staying on his feet...Pampa CC pro MICKEY PIERSALL is playing in the National Club Pro Championship tournament in Pinehurst, N.C. this week. And that golfing crew used the Texas-OU football weekend for their fun-filled golf outing at Oak Tree

at Edmond, Okla...USA Today surveyed its readers who said the hardest professional sport to play is ice hockey, followed by basketball, with baseball, golf and football tied for third...ROCKY CLINDANIEL, son of the late Bob Clindaniel, outstanding basketball coach at Plainview, is the head cage coach at New Summerfield in East Texas...Isn't it strange, and wonderful, how a non-native artist like PLACIDO DOMINGO can perform the National Anthem for a playoff baseball game without reading the words or altering the melody, something native American performers apparently cannot do...Is it true UT-Austin recruiters no longer depend on credit cards, they just KERRY CASH (6-4, 205-pound sophomore tight end from San Antonio)...Houston Astros' owner JOHN MCMULLEN: "In everyday life, it's OK to be second best, but in baseball here's only No. 1." Exit manager HAL LANIER.

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No, it's a pumpkin being carried out of a patch in northern Columbus, Ohio. Rin Chinn, a native of Cambodia who lives in Columbus, hauls pumpkins for Northern Lights Tree Farm. She's using a carrying method she learned in her homeland.

Discovery astronauts say successful flight good for NASA, US

By LAURA TOLLEY
Associated Press Writer

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — The five veteran astronauts who flew aboard Discovery say the most anxious moments of their nearly flawless flight came as expected — during liftoff — the same time Challenger exploded 32 months ago. Discovery pilot Richard Covey said Tuesday that although he had flown before, he still was "a bit taken back" by the power of the rockets that thrust the shuttle into orbit Sept. 29.

"It was a very, very long 8½ minutes to MICO (main engine cut off). I think we all felt that way," Covey said during the crew's first post-flight press conference at the Johnson Space Center.

"I'm sure we were all thinking, to some degree, about the fact that the last time this had been attempted, it wasn't successful. You never forget that," he said.

The Challenger explosion, which occurred 73 seconds after liftoff and killed all seven astronauts aboard Jan. 28, 1986, was blamed on a faulty booster rocket. The rockets were redesigned and NASA officials have found no damage with the new boosters.

"Obviously the first part of the flight, the ride on the solid rocket boosters, was a very critical one for this mission," Covey said.

But despite those anxious moments, the five astronauts praised the shuttle's entire performance and its success in putting Americans back into space.

"We can look back on a flight that as far as I'm concerned was picture perfect," said Discovery commander Frederick Hauck, who also announced Tuesday that the flight was his last. He said he is considering what he wants to do next, but added he has not resigned from NASA.

"I don't think we have any ghosts hovering above us anymore," Hauck said, referring to doubts cast on the space agency because of the Challenger explosion.

During the four-day mission, Hauck, Covey and astronauts John M. Lounge, David C. Hilmers and George D. "Pinky" Nelson, deployed a \$100 million communications satellite, tested systems on the orbiter and conducted 11 experiments before landing at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., on Oct. 3.

Although a detailed account of the mission showed a few minor problems, including trouble with a cooling system, the only complaint the astronauts had Tuesday concerned the bulky pressure suits worn during launch and landing.

While watching a 20-minute film about the flight that included shots of the astronauts getting into the 75-pound suits before landing, Nelson said, "It hurts just to watch it."

Nelson said although the suits — part of a new escape system — are "pretty uncomfortable," he added that a few modifications such as a better fan and a less bulky harness could improve them for future astronauts.

An explosive hatch and a telescoping pole also are part of the new escape system, which can be used during certain emergencies but would not have saved the Challenger crew.

The astronauts would bail out of the hatch and slide down the pole in their orange suits, which are equipped with parachutes, floating devices and radio gear.

The film also showed the astronauts twirling in microgravity, playing with their food during meals and clowning around in Hawaiian-print shirts.

But it also showed them working on various experiments and deploying the Tracking and Data Relay Satellite, along with some magnificent shots of Earth.

During the mission, Discovery's crew members broadcast an emotional message in memory of the seven Challenger astronauts while a camera on the shuttle showed a view of the Earth.

"I thought at that time we were really linked closely together," he said. "I felt a lot closer (to the Challenger victims) than than maybe ever before. We really wanted to show the world that we were standing up there for them and their sacrifice wasn't in vain."

Feds push school lunch cookbook

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department has a new cookbook this fall for school cafeterias which includes some new recipes, labor-saving tips and a little pizzazz for the pinto beans.

In all, there are 161 recipes in the revised publication, *Quantity Recipes for Type A School Lunches*, the first new model since 1971.

School meals are served to 24 million children in 90,000 schools across the country.

Assistant Secretary John W. Bode said "food service has changed dramatically" since the previous recipes were issued 17 years ago. The new ones, he says, feature more optional ingredients and seasonings to reflect regional food preferences.

The recipes were developed over two years under a \$320,000 contract, plus another year and \$2 million to print and distribute 90,000 copies free to state agencies and regional offices. Development included surveys of state agencies, a taste panel and test schools.

Under the lunch program, USDA provides about \$3.7 billion in cash grants and commodity donations to participating school districts.

The per-pupil costs of meals can vary greatly. USDA provides subsidies according to the family income of school children. Those subsidies range from about \$1.60 per meal for meals provided free of charge to poverty-level homes to less than 27 cents per meal for children from affluent families.

According to the department's Food and Nutrition Service, the new "recipe file" includes variations of recipes where appropriate and "makes good use of USDA-donated commodities to help

keep down the cost of lunches."

Some nutrition experts have criticized school menus for allowing too much fat, sugar and salt in the meals. One group, Public Voice for Food and Health Policy, recently said that while school meals have improved they still fall short of USDA's own dietary guidelines.

The agency's report said that "to the extent practical and acceptable, moderation of added sugar, fat and salt" was taken into consideration when the revised recipes were drafted.

About half of the 161 recipes in the new file are "popular revisions" of ones in the old set.

"Schools continue to serve spaghetti, lasagna and oatmeal cookies," the report said. "All recipes were restandardized."

The contract specified that recipes not only be acceptable but accommodate regional and local needs and preferences.

"For example, cheddar cheese is a suggested garnish for the chili, and canned green chili peppers may be used (or not used) in cornbread and nacho cheese sauce," the report said. "And because Mexican and Italian flavors rank so high in children's food preferences, master seasoning mix recipes have been included, which can be adjusted to accommodate local food preferences."

A "nutrients per serving" table gives the values for 15 different nutrients on all recipes.

The agency said the recipes also "eliminate as many preparation steps and pieces of cooking equipment as possible" and lists "labor-saving alternative ingredients such as dehydrated onions."

High death rates found at VA hospitals

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Veterans Administration's chief medical officer ordered changes in a study of mortality rates at VA hospitals to avoid "inevitable" criticism of the agency based on the initial findings, according to a published report Tuesday.

The *Washington Post* reported that the initial study had found that as many as 12 percent of the VA facilities had excessively high death rates. By using a more rigorous statistical level in the revised study, that rate was dropped to just 3.5 percent, the newspaper said.

Dr. John A. Gronvall acknowledged in an interview with the *Post* that he ordered VA officials to come up with a lower percentage out of fear that the VA could not withstand criticism that "inevitably" would result from comparison with mortality rates at private hospitals.

The federal Health Care Financing Agency had found in a separate study that 2.5 percent of the nation's private hospitals had higher-than-expected mortality rates.

Gronvall's action caused a strong protest from the late Dr. Francis E. Conrad, the VA's director of quality assurance, who said the action might seem "self-serving" and could make the VA "vulnerable to charges of a coverup."

The *Post* said Conrad, in a memo prepared for a Jan. 29 meeting, wrote that the "PR (public relations) potential for negative reaction is certainly a factor to be considered" from a high mortality rate finding, "but it can be countered and is short lived, in any event."

Gronvall, the VA's senior medical executive, told the *Post* there was no truth to Conrad's belief that he was trying to cover up problems at the VA, which long has been plagued by questions about the quality of medical care at its 172 hospitals.

"That is wholly ... outrageous and inappropriate comment," Gronvall said of the coverup allegation.

patterned after one used by HCFA in its private hospital study. Like the HCFA study, the *Post* said, Conrad initially planned to test his results at what statisticians call a 95 percent confidence level. That means the mathematical probability is that the results can be duplicated 95 times out of 100.

The VA, however, selected a higher confidence level of 99 percent, thus assuring that fewer hospitals would be suspect, the *Post* said.

The decision to use the 99 percent result was made after Gronvall's intervention, according to what the *Post* described as a source close to the situation. The newspaper did not name the source.

Terry L. Thomas, the VA epidemiologist who handled the statistical work on the study, told the *Post* she could not recall if she made the decision to run the mortality survey at the 99 percent rate before or after Gronvall voiced concern about the preliminary findings.

2 Museums

WHITE Deer Land Museum: Pampa, Tuesday through Sunday 1:30-4 p.m., special tours by appointment.
PANHANDLE Plains Historical Museum: Canyon. Regular museum hours 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 2-4 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.

SQUARE House Museum: Panhandle. Regular Museum hours 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays and 1-5:30 p.m. Sundays.
HUTCHINSON County Museum: Borger. Regular hours 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays except Tuesday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday.
PIONEER West Museum: Shamrock. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, Saturday and Sunday.

ALANREED-McLean Area Historical Museum: McLean. Regular museum hours 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Closed Sunday.
ROBERTS County Museum: Miami. Summer Hours - Tuesday thru Friday, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Sunday 2 p.m.-5 p.m. Closed on Monday and Saturday.

MUSEUM OF THE Plains: Perryton. Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Weekends during Summer months, 1:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
RIVER Valley Pioneer Museum at Canadian, Tx. Monday thru Thursday, 8-4 p.m. Friday, 8-5 p.m. Saturday, Sunday 1-5 p.m.

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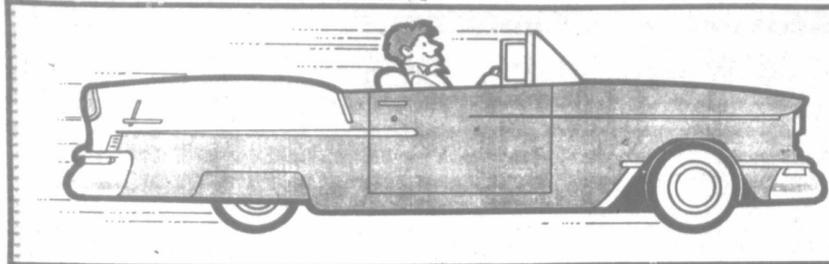
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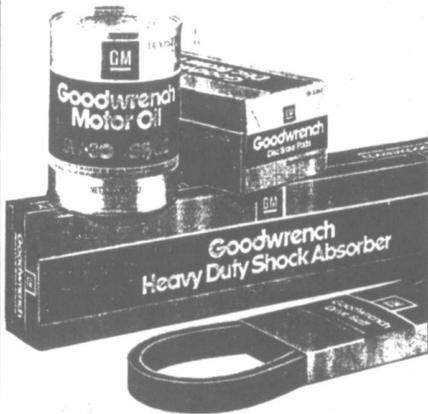
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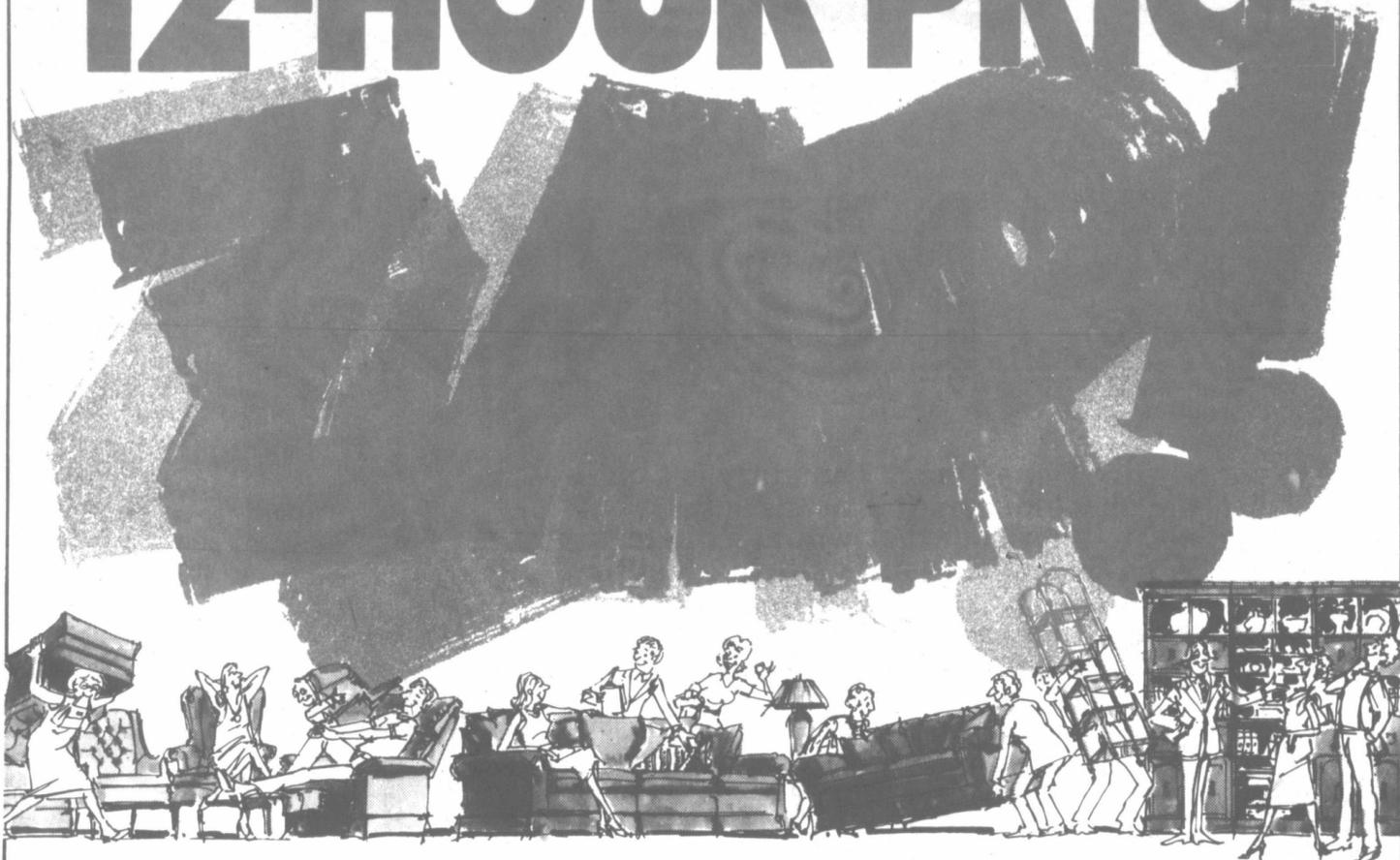
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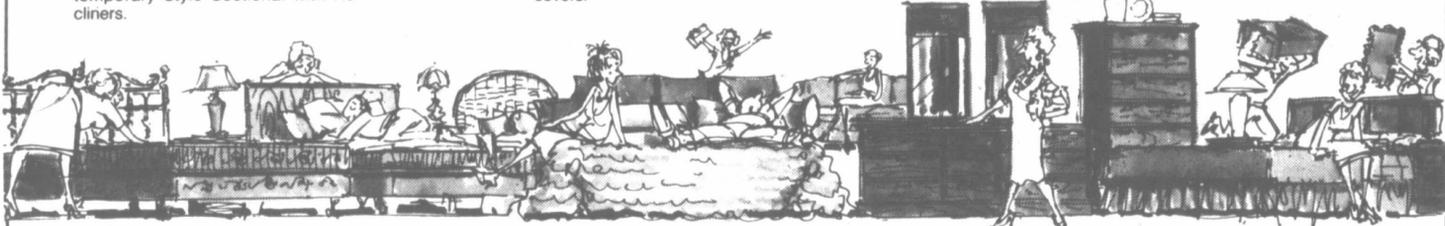
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