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# Shultz goes to Europe to gain support against poison gas use

By BARRY SCHWEID **AP Diplomatic Writer** 

WASHINGTON (AP) - Secretary of State George P. Shultz left for Europe today on a mission to persuade more than 100 nations to impose sanctions on countries that use poison gas.

He also planned to urge foreign ministers and ambassadors assembling for a five-day conference in Paris to strengthen the hand of U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar in investigating allegations of chemical warfare

The skirmish Wednesday over the Mediterranean in which U.S. Navy jet fighters shot down two Libyan MiG-23 planes acted as a backdrop for the conference, which opens Saturday

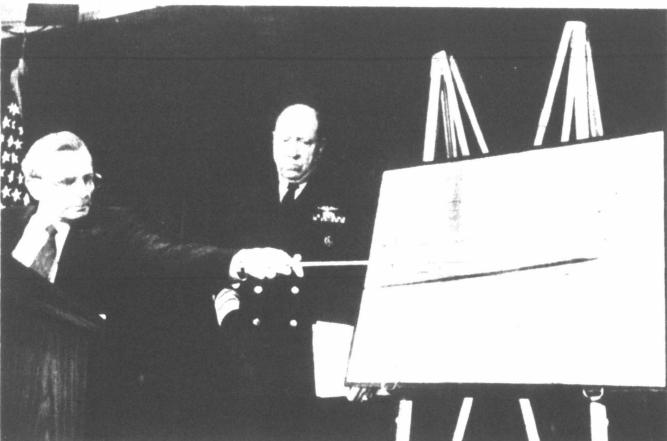
William Burns, director of the U.S. arms control agency, acknowledged that decisions at the meeting will be by consensus. This means any nation, including Libya, can block proposals.

"I don't know how successful we will be, and I don't know how much of a resonant chord this will strike in the hearts of other participants," Burns told reporters Wednesday at the State Depart-

Still, Burns said, Shultz will push for sanctions under the United Nations charter and for additional powers for the U.N Secretary-General.

The Paris conference was proposed by President Reagan in September to draw international attention to the spreading use of chemical weapons. The focus then was on Iraq, which was accused of — and denied — devas tating Iranian troops and civilians with poison gas.

For the last two months, however, the United States has put special stress on Libya and a plant at Rabta, south of Tripoli, the State Department claims has



Carlucci, left, points to map during press briefing Wednesday as Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Adm. William Crowe waits to answer questions.

recently begun limited production of chemical weapons.

Even before U.S. jets shot down the Libyan fighter planes near Crete on Wednesday, the Reagan administration had served notso-subtle notice to the world that it considers Moammar Gadhafi's drive to produce poison gas — an allegation the Libyan leader has consistently denied — a serious threat to world stability

After the clash, Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci and other senior U.S. officials sought to separate the incident from the drumbeat of alarm the Reagan administration has sounded over

the suspected chemical weapons facility.

The Libyan plant controversy is bound to have an impact on the conference. And yet, Burns said "it is not aimed at bashing a particular country.

Referring to the air clash, Burns added: "I don't see it as really germane to the conference. I think that other nations

Carlucci, at a news conference at the Pentagon, said the Libyan jets had approached the U.S. F-14 Tomcats at high speed and in "a hostile manner" in international airspace

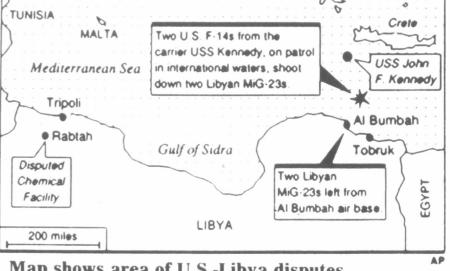
He said the Navy planes acted solely in self-defense. Based on preliminary reports, the MiGs activated their radar before the Tomcats opened fire with air-toair missiles, Carlucci said.

Congressional leaders said the United States had acted appropriately, but expressed concern that the incident might portend further hostilities with Libya.

House Majority Whip Tony Coelho, D-Calif., said "Congress should be informed ... if the United States is engaged in a piecemeal escalation of our conflict with Libya beyond these legitimate acts of self-defense

Libya, meanwhile, condemned the U.S. firing as a premeditated attack, and Gadhafi, the Libyan leader, declared his North African nation would "meet challenge with challenge.

"If America has prevailed because it is a superpower in the air and the sea, it will inevitably be defeated in Libya," Gadhafi said. "We, as well as the fish, are awaiting them."



Map shows area of U.S.-Libya disputes.

## U.S. may use cruise missiles against Libya

WASHINGTON (AP) — The in today's editions that Reagan Reagan administration has made no final decision about whether to attack a Libyan plant it claims is producing chemical weapons, but Pentagon contingency plans suggest the first-ever use of cruise missiles, sources say.

Such a strike would use a landattack variant of the Navy's Tomahawk cruise missile, equipped with a non-nuclear warhead, that was first declared fit for use in war in March 1986

Use of the unmanned Tomahawk is "a preferred contingency" because of the missile's accuracy and the fact that no pilots would be endangered in bombing runs, the sources added.

The sources, who insisted on anonymity, agreed to discuss the Libyan situation after two Navy F-14 Tomcat jets shot down two Libyan jet fighters Wednesday in a confrontation over the Mediterranean Sea.

Defense Secretary Frank ( Carlucci, in discussing the conflict at a Pentagon briefing, flatly dismissed suggestions the F-14s were airborne as part of U.S. preparation for mounting an attack on the suspected chemical weapons plant. Libya says the plant makes pharmaceuticals, not chemical weapons.

President Reagan said last month his advisors were considering such a military strike. The Washington Post reported now oppposes a U.S. military strike against the plant because it would cause an international furor that might harm other U.S. interests. The Post cited an unnamed senior administration official in reporting that Reagan was heeding the view of America's European allies that a military response would be unhelpful.

Carlucci said the F-14's were on a routine training flight, more than 600 miles from the Libyan plant and 70 miles off Libya's coast, when they were approached "in a hostile manner" and fired in self defense.

"What he didn't say was that if orders came to attack that plant, we probably wouldn't use airplanes," said one defense official. "We can use the Tomahawk

The United States wants to prevent Libyan strongman Moammar Gadhafi from starting largescale production of chemical weapons, particularly given Libya's past support of terrorist organizations, the sources said.

The administration itechnology said to be needed for the plant. Secretary of State George P. Shultz plans to address the issue during an international conference on chemical weapons that opens Saturday in Paris.

'There won't be any military

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## Many motorists disregard school zones

By BEAR MILLS **Staff Writer** 

School children in Pampa who ride buses or cross streets at crosswalks may be in very real danger of being struck by an automobile because of a large number of motorists who disregard traffic laws

That is the conclusion drawn after a staffer from The Pampa News spent several hours observing traffic conditions at various Pampa schools Wednesday.

During that time, seven violations of traffic laws regarding stopping for school buses with flashing lights were observed. Also monitored was an endless flow of drivers who did not reduce their speed to 20 mph in school zones on Hobart and Duncan

Rufus McCathern, a school crossing guard at Austin Elementary School, said the problem is a continual one.

"There are a lot of people who come through here driving 40 or 50 miles per hour. Why they do that when there are signs that say 'school zone' I don't know. You never can tell when one of these

little kids is liable to run out in front of them." McCathern said. He said he also sees several cars run the red light in front of the school at the intersection of 20th Street each week.

During a 30-minute period on Wednesday afternoon, three cars were observed running the red

"I know one day a kid ran ahead of me and a guy going north (on Duncan) stopped. But the guy behind him passed him and just blared on around. He could have hit the child,' McCathern said.

Dorothy Williams, a Pampa school bus driver, said the problem of people ignoring flashing lights on a stopped bus is one that constantly concerns her.

"I turn on my flashers for them to stop, but they just go on. Sometimes I try to stop in the middle of the street so they have to stop, but they ignore that too," Williams said. "What can I do? At two stops children have to cross the road. But if no cops are around (to ticket those who ignore the flashing lights), I guess it would just be my word against theirs."

She said people either become forgetful where traffic safety and children are concerned or they simply don't care.

"Maybe the people who go on past and don't stop don't have children. Maybe they don't know how dangerous it is," she said.

Pampa school buses do not have signs on the back reminding motorists to stop when lights are flashing. However, Assistant Superintendent Dawson Orr said he does not believe that is the reason people ignore traffic laws.

You expect people to know (the law). Our buses are painted yellow. They have the safety lights. People who are driving past stopped buses are not uninformed. They would probably just say that they weren't thinking or forgot. As we get further into the school year, people get their minds on other things," Orr said.

He said that while jurisdiction of city streets and traffic laws is clearly in the hands of the police, he does not believe the problem is a lack of law enforcement.

there are a lot of schools in Pam- hit trying to cross the road.

pa and a lot of drivers. People have to be self-governing about this. There is nothing more tragic than the loss of a child. What a terrible thing to have to have on your conscience," Orr said.

The number of cars that did not apply their brakes (as evidenced by brake lights) on Duncan during school closing hours Wednesday eventually became hard to keep track of

Crossing guard McCathern said the community is fortunate that no child has dashed into the street when cars were coming.

"The kids notice things. They will say, 'Hey, he ran the red light.' They see how many people just speed on by," he said.

School zone speed limits of 20 mph are in effect from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 to 3:40 p.m. on all school days.

A number of school officials expressed the hope that drivers would pay more attention to traffic laws in regard to buses and

school zones. If they don't, several school employees observed, it will only "They do try to patrol. But be a matter of time until a child is

# Southwestern Bell denies it's earning more than authorized

By PEGGY FIKAC **Associated Press Writer** 

across busy intersection.

AUSTIN (AP) — Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., which has proposed a plan it says would spur the state's economic development, denied a charge that it appears to be earning \$90 million more a year than it should.

McCathern helps Austin Elementary students

An inquiry into Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.'s rates and services was called for Wednesday by the general counsel of the Public Utility Commission. The general counsel said in a petition to the PUC that a preliminary analysis showed Southwestern Bell is earning a "significantly higher"

rate of return than authorized by the commission. At a news conference to announce an economic development proposal called "Texas First," Bill Free, vice president of revenues and public affairs for the company's Texas division, said Southwestern Bell is not overearning.

The economic development proposal "goes way beyond any kind of a rate case," Free said.

The preliminary analysis of Southwestern Bell - including such factors as the federal income tax reduction under 1986 reforms — indicated the minimum being overearned by Southwestern Bell is \$90 million a year, said Carole J. Vogel, deputy general counsel at the PUC.

"General counsel submits that regardless of the causes of the overrecovery, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is experiencing a revenue surplus to the detriment of its ratepayers," said the petition to the commission.

Southwestern Bell has annual revenues of \$3.3 billion in Texas.

"The commission receives financial data from us that indicates we're not overearning, and in fact, since this commission was first established ... we have never overearned," Free said.

Southwestern Bell's last basic local rate in-

crease in Texas was in 1984, he said, and the state's

basic rates are among the lowest in the nation, with

an average monthly one-party residential rate of

\$9.71 a month compared to the national average of \$12.16.

The Texas First package includes a freeze on local rates during the five years that would be needed to implement it. It would cost the company \$327 million in investment and \$320 million in foregone revenues. Free said.

Southwestern Bell hopes to file the proposal with the PUC within two months, he said.

The package would upgrade the state network "to make that network more attractive to businesses who are seeking to locate in the state of Texas or businesses that are already here and need a state-of-the-art network," Free said.

It also would phase out four-party service, in which four customers share a line, replacing it with the option of two-party service at the same rate or single-line service.

The plan also would lower charges to longdistance companies for use of the local network, allowing them to cut long-distance rates. It would expand optional calling areas around Dallas, Fort

Worth, Houston and San Antonio, allowing bedroom communities around each of those cities to pay a higher monthly charge in exchange for tollfree-calling to the nearby city.

Under the package, the company would ask for PUC authorization of a range of return on investment from 11 percent to 13 percent. Southwestern Bell said it currently is limited to earnings of approximately 12 percent on investment.

Free called the package a "win-win" proposal that would "propel the state of Texas to the forefront of economic development.'

"If the economy in this state gets better, and we think this program will help do it, we end up with more customers, more revenues. We're better

off," he said. "Once we upgrade that network out there, we will have the ability to provide new and different and more innovative services, and that means a benefit to Southwestern Bell as well as those customers out there who will have increased service options," he said.

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### **Services tomorrow**

EMERSON, Tacie V. - 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel. FULLER, Lillie Elizabeth — 10 a.m.,

graveside, Edith Ford Cemetery, Canadian. TURNER, Dealva "Dood" — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, McLean.

### **Obituaries**

**BETTY TOWERY SEAWRIGHT** OKLAHOMA CITY — Services for former

Pampa resident Betty June Towery Seawright, 60, were held Wednesday in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Seawright died Sunday at Baptist Medical Center in Oklahoma City following an extended illness. Officiating ministers were the Rev. Ann Clifton of Oklahoma City and Mrs. Seawright's brother-inlaw, the Rev. Don Preston of Ardmore, Okla. Burial was in the Wetumka. Okla., cemetery.

Mrs. Seawright moved to Oklahoma City in 1978. She was a retired insurance underwriter. She was a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International and had served as president of Beta Zeta chapter in Oklahoma City. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, in 1964.

Survivors include her daughter, Donna Vanderburg of Norman, Okla.; one grandson, Derek Krzywonski of Norfolk, Va.; her mother, Ruby Towery of Wetumka, Okla.; five brothers and sisters, Bob Towery of Lamar, Okla.; Kenneth Towery of Del City, Okla.; Phyllis Osborn of Holdenville. Okla.: Patty Patterson of Tulsa. Okla., and Janis Preston of Ardmore, Okla.

The family requests memorials be made to The Cancer Center of the Southwest, Baptist Medical Center, 3300 N.W. Expressway, Oklahoma City, Okla., 73112

TACIE V. EMERSON

Tacie V. Emerson, 79, died Wednesday in Oklahoma City. Services are set for 2 p.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Jim Winegert, pastor of St. Paul United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in **Fairview Cemetery** 

Mrs. Emerson was born in Umpire, Ark., moving to Pampa in 1929. She was employed as a seamstress for Bob Clements Cleaners for many years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Efe Emerson, in 1952

Survivors include a daughter, Elizabeth Klemme of Yukon, Okla.; two sons, Gene Emerson of San Jose, Calif., and Kenneth Neal Emerson of Dallas; three sisters, Jessie Kelley of White Deer, Noreen Crump of Garland and Ima Jean Price of Canyon; three brothers, Lynn Davis and O'Neal Davis, both of Turkey, and Woodrow Davis of Lubbock; four grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren.

LILLIE ELIZABETH FULLER

Graveside services for Lillie Elizabeth Fuller, 69, are to be at 10 a.m. Friday in Edith Ford Cemetery of Canadian with the Rev. M.B. Smith, Baptist minister, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mrs. Fuller died Tuesday.

Born in Marietta, Okla., Mrs. Fuller had been a Police report resident of Pampa for 30 years. She was a Baptist. Her husband, Marion Otis Fuller, died in 1974. She is survived by a son, a sister and two grandchildren

**DEALVA TURNER** 

McLEAN — Services for Dealva "Dood" Turner, 69, will be at 2 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church of McLean with the Rev. Buell Wells, retired Baptist minister, and the Rev. Jeff Messer, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Alanreed Cemetery by Lamb Funeral Home. Mrs. Turner died Tuesday.

Born in Krum, Mrs. Turner moved from McLean to Olton. She returned to McLean in 1977. She married R.J. Turner in 1937 in Alanreed. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, a son, three daughters, two sisters, two brothers, 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

### Calendar of events

PAMPA FINE ARTS SHOW

Pampa Fine Arts Association's annual Members Art Show is set for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 21 and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 22. The public is invited to

### Hospital

**CORONADO** HOSPITAL

**Admissions** Loyd Akins, Fritch Greg Hunt, Pampa Henrietta Johnson, White Deer

Press Kaster, Borger Sanford Ketchum, baby girl, Pampa Pampa

**Pampa** Amanda Leathers,

Neva Mackie, Pampa Brad Schultz, Booker Amanda Troxell,

Pampa Tommy Wheeler, Pampa

**Dismissals** Sibyl Abbey, Pampa Mable Ball, Pampa Estelle Britnell, Pampa Robert Crouch, **Pampa** 

Cline Edmond s,Borger Leonel Ford, Pampa

La Rue Higgins Pampa Juanita Knight Pampa Ginger McVay and

Beatrice Morales, Melissa Lawrence, Pampa Patricia Roland Pampa

Christine Romins,

Pampa **Bradford Spencer** Pampa Zella Wilder, Rocky Ford, Colo.

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL **Admissions** 

Tressie Locker Wheeler Owen Young, Sham rock **Dismissals** 

### Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following minor accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 4 8:51 a.m. — A 1988 Ford 150XLT pickup driven by Albert Wade Helton, Reydon, Okla., was involved in a one-vehicle accident in the 1300 block of East Browning. Helton was cited for failure to

maintain a single lane. 3:39 p.m. — A 1987 Chevrolet Caprice driven by H.I. Swafford, Amarillo, collided with a 1989 Dodge Omni driven by Nichole Doss, Box 1716, in the 1400 block of North Duncan. Swafford was cited for changing lanes when unsafe.

4:54 p.m. — A 1988 Ford F250 driven by Clifford McGarraugh, Perryton, collided with a 1986 Chevrolet Celebrity driven by Gata Dowling, Lefors, at the intersection of South Hobart and Hwy. 70. McGarraugh was cited for following too closely and an expired registration.

### Fire report

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

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 4 6:45 p.m. — False alarm was reported at 721 N.

7:23 p.m. — Smoke damage was reported at 618 N. Christy. A portion of the kitchen ceiling fell in on a hot burner in the kitchen. Three units and six firefighters responded to the call.

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 4 Pampa Police reported two domestic assaults. Pampa Police reported one criminal mischief in a domestic dispute.

> **Arrests** WEDNESDAY, Jan. 4

None

### Stock market

The following grain quotations are	Arco		up1/2
provided by Wheeler-Evans of	Cabot		up1/4
Pampa.	Chevron	461/2	up1/8
Wheat 3.80	New Atmos	161/2	up1/8
	Enron	361/4	up1/4
Milo	Halliburton	28	dn1/4
Copn	HCA		up1/4
The following quotations show the	Ingersoll-Rand	35	up1/4
prices for which these securities	Kerr-McGee		up34
could have been traded at the time of			up <sup>1</sup> /8
compilation.	KNE		NC
Damson Oil	Mapco		
Ky. Cent. Life 1134	Maxxus		NC
Serfco 4	Mesa Ltd		NC
The following show the prices for	Mobil		up36
which these mutual funds were bid at	Penney's	521/4	up1/4
the time of compilation:	Phillips	201/8	up38
Magellan 48.67	SBJ	327/8	up1/4
Puritan 12.79	SPS		dn1/8
The following 9:30 a.m. N. Y. stock	Tenneco	487/8	dn1/4
market quotations are furnished by	Texaco	517/8	dn1/8
Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.	New York Gold		
	Silver		
Amoco 751/8 up1/8	Suver		0.00

## Bozo celebrates 30 years on TV

By LOUINN LOTA **Associated Press Writer** 

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Wowee, kazowee boys

and girls! Bozo the Clown is 30 today!

The Ambassador of Laughter, whose infectious guffaws can transform even the sourest of grouches into the grinningest of fools, celebrates his 30th year on TV as the longest-running live, daily children's television show. He was being toasted this afternoon in an anniversary bash.

"Everybody still loves me and still cares about me," said the original Bozo, Larry Harmon, who celebrated his 64th birthday Monday. "When you do something good for the world, you do something good for yourself and it all turns out wowee, oh wow, wow — so good!'

The mirthmaker is truly an international star. He's "Bozo Le Clown" in France, "Bozo El Payaso," in Brazil and His Bozoness to Americans.

The live TV shows began Jan. 5, 1959. They've

been seen practically every day since. The show is televised to an estimated 28 million homes in 183 cities nationwide where kids can see Bozo or a locally franchised "clone clown" as Harmon likes to call them.

As long as you have the big, red nose, the bright orange hair, gigantic shoes, appropriate clown suit, "are an exhibitionist, an extrovert, sensitive, warm and you've got the laugh and the Bozoisms down pat, then you're a Bozo," Harmon explained. Harmon came up with the idea of coast-to-coast

Bozos each to be host of a live, local production. The show has produced some 50,000 episodes. Bozo has appeared in more than 10,000 parades. So far, 200 people have portrayed the snickering clown, including Willard Scott, the weather man for NBC's The Today Show, who made his Bozo debut in August 1959.

"You know," Harmon said, "Willard called me to congratulate me on my birthday and he said, Look at me. I'm Bozo, the warmth, the attitude, the smile, the projection. All these wonderful

s came 30 years ago.' " appet maker Jim Henson got some air time on

Bozo shows, Big Bird on the educational children's show Sesame Street is portrayed by Bozo Show veteran Carroll Spinney, and one-time TV network president Fred Silverman was once a floor manager for a Bozo Show in Chicago.

Just last year, 500 auditioned at "Bozo University" in Hollywood, where the four-week crash course includes classes on makeup, tricycle riding, and lots of smile practice. The finalists were whittled down to 100.

"I'm looking for that sparkle in the eyes, that emotion, feeling, directness, warmth," Harmon said. "That is so important."

Although the trend seems to be in maligning the clown, such as the "No Bozos Allowed" bumper stickers and the derogatory use of the word Bozo as an adjective for dumb or stupid, Harmon believes there is a place in every person's heart for a Bozo.

"Bozo transcends time," he said in a telephone interview Wednesday night. Bozo hasn't changed much over the years, other than the new clown suit, complete with rhinestones.

"The formula is imbedded within me and all my clone clowns," he said. "What's most important is my theme and the theme of everyone of my Bozos: "PULL for Peace, Understanding, Love, Laughter. That would pull all the people of the world together, wouldn't it?"

Harmon said he feels gratitude for the love expressed by fans across the globe. Local fans who congratulated Bozo on his 30th anniversary with cards and letters include Gene Autry and Betty White, who exclaimed "You've been in television almost as long as I have. How come you never change? Keep us smiling for years to come."

Comedian Red Buttons wrote, "You've earned a seat in heaven. Happy 30 - 30 more!" Harmon believes that the Bozo legacy will en-

"In the year 5000, while Bozo is in his space clown suit he'll start his show by saying, 'I remember way back when in the year 19, or whatever it was, "Harmon said. "There is a special something in everyone that can associate with Bozo. Everyone can identify and relate."

# School funding case now going to Texas Supreme Court study

AUSTIN (AP) — The legal battle over public school funding will now go to the Texas Supreme Court, attorneys for both sides said after a lower court refused a second hearing of the case.

On Wednesday, the 3rd Court of Appeals, which earlier upheld the state's school financing system, denied a request for a rehearing.

Poor school districts that filed the lawsuit against the state financing system sought the rehearing last month after the Austin-based 3rd Court issued a 2-1 ruling in favor of the state.

That Dec. 14 ruling overturned a 1987 ruling by State District Judge Harley Clark, who had declared the system unconstitutional, saying it denied equal access to state funds by all districts.

The lawsuit was filed in 1984 by school districts with low property values. Public schools are funded largely through a combination of local property taxes and state assistance.

Wednesday's rejection clears the way for a legal challenge before the state Supreme Court.

The 3rd Court's denial of a rehearing was almost routine, according to lawyers for the state and poor school districts.

"I really didn't expect them to change their minds. I would have

been happy if they had," said Al Kauffman, a staff attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, which sued on behalf of the Edgewood school district in San Antonio.

He said MALDEF will now file an application for writ of error. requesting the state Supreme Court overturn the 3rd Court's ruling for the state.

"We're going to do it as soon as we can," said Kauffman. "We think we have very strong arguments.

David Thompson, general counsel for the Texas Education Agency, said he doesn't expect the Supreme Court to rule on the matter during the regular session of the Legislature, which begins Jan. 10 and ends May 29.

"My suspicion is that it's going to take longer than the legislative session," he said.

Thompson said the issue is so complex it will take a long time for the nine-member court to analyze the case. The 3rd Court issued its ruling eight months after hearing oral arguments in the case, he said.

Kauffman said state lawmakers should tackle the problem of equitable funding for education, even if the Supreme Court does not act on the case during the leg- ern times.

islative session.

"All the state leaders say it is a problem. The problem is to get them to do something about it," Kauffman said.

School children have a fundamental right to education under the state constitution whether they live in wealthy or poor school districts, Kauffman said.

In its ruling, the 3rd Court recognized the disparities in educational opportunities in wealthy and poor districts, but said it was up to the state Legislature to correct the problem.

Thompson said he believed the Supreme Court would also want to hear oral arguments on the

Neither attorney would speculate what impact the new Supreme Court membership would have on the outcome of the issue. The court has three new members from the November general election — Lloyd Doggett, Nathan Hecht and Jack High-

The court also has three Republicans — Chief Justice Tom Phillips, Eugene Cook and Hecht. These are the first Republicans elected to the high court in mod-

## Judges feud over courtroom space

EL PASO (AP) — District Judge Jose Troche has learned a valuable poltical lesson: sometimes it's not who you know as much as how long you've been around.

**Troche on Wednesday became** a judge without a chambers after the El Paso County Commissioners decided seniority should prevail in arguments over which judge gets which courtroom.

With only 10 courtrooms for 11 judges in the El Paso county courthouse, the battle for the final bench was bitter, but Troche lost to two-year judicial veteran Peter Peca Jr.

The office and courtroom in dispute had been vacated last week by Ward Koehler, the former 168th district judge who defeated Peca last November for a spot in the state's 8th Court of Appeals.

In one of his last acts as district judge, Koehler decreed that Troche, his appointed successor, should get the courtroom and office.

Troche moved his items into the office Friday and posted Koehler's decree on the door.

When he went to the office Monday to tidy up, he found Peca's nameplate in place of Koehler's order. The locks had been changed, and Troche's property had been moved to a table in a jury room down the hall.

Peca, who was elected to the 171st district two years ago, had been the odd judge out in the game of musical benches. He had to hold court wherever he could find an available courtroom.

Commissioners bought Peca's argument that he should get a permanent office because he has seniority over Troche.

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## Missiles

action before then," said one offi-

"But the contingency planning no longer focuses on bombing runs," said another source. "The Tomahawk is mission-capable and we have the digitized navigation data (for the missile) needed to fly a strike.

The new plant is situated about 35 miles inland from the coastal capital of Tripoli. The conventional land-attack model of the Tomahawk has a range of 700-

plus miles, meaning cruise missiles could easily be launched by either submarine or surface ship against the Libyan facility.

When the United States staged a bombing raid over two Libyan cities in 1986, it did not have enough conventional Tomahawks available to mount the attack. One Air Force F-111 bomber and two aviators were lost in those bombing runs, which were in retaliation for alleged Libyan involvement in the bombing of a West Berlin discotheque frequented by American ser-

Peca was not present at Wednesday's commissioners meeting, but Troche was.

"I'd like the court to establish some procedure (for allocating court space)," he said.

### City Briefs

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## Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST Fair tonight with a low of 32 and west winds at 10 to 20 mph. Friday, sunny with a high of 55 and northwest winds at 10 to 20 mph and gusty. Wednesday's high was 69; the overnight low

**REGIONAL FORECAST** 

West Texas — Sunny through Friday all sections. Mostly clear tonight. Lows tonight mid 20s southwest mountains and in the 30s elsewhere. Highs Friday mid 50s Panhandle to near 60 far west and South Plains to the mid 60s Permian Basin and near 70 Concho Valley and the mid 70s along the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms in the east this evening, otherwise fair tonight and Friday. Lows tonight in the upper 30s northwest to low 50s southeast. Highs Friday in the upper 60s north to low 70s south.

South Texas — Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms east tonight and Friday, partly cloudy west through south. Highs Friday from the 70s north to the 80s south. Lows tonight from the 50s north to 60s south with 40s in the Hill Country.

**EXTENDED FORECAST** Saturday through Monday

West Texas — Partly cloudy Saturday. Colder north but continued mild south. Partly cloudy and colder area wide Sunday. Fair but rather cool Monday. Panhandle: Lows mid 20s Saturday with teens Sunday and Monday. Highs mid to upper 40s Saturday with low to mid 40s Sunday and Monday. South Plains: Lows near 30 Saturday, near 20 Sunday and upper teens Monday. Highs low 50s Saturday and mid to upper 40s Sunday and Monday. Permian Basin:

The Accu-Weather <sup>®</sup>forecast for 8 A.M., Friday, January 6 CLOUDY Cold

Lows mid 30s Saturday with low to mid 20s Sunday and Monday. Highs near 60 Saturday, near 50 Sunday and low 50s Monday. Concho Valley: Lows 40 to 45 Saturday, low 30s Sunday and upper 20s Monday. Highs near 70 Saturday with mid to upper 50s Sunday and Monday. Far West: Lows mid 30s Saturday, near 30 Sunday and mid 20s Monday. Highs near 60 Saturday with mid 50s Sunday and Monday. Mountains and Big Bend: Lows near 40 Friday to mid 20s Monday in the mountains, and from around 50 Saturday to upper 30s Monday lowlands. Highs from the upper 60s Friday mountains to upper 40s Monday, and from the upper 70s Saturday lowlands to near 60 Sunday and Monday.

North Texas - Partly cloudy each day. Mild Saturday but turning colder Sunday and Monday. Lows Saturday in the mid 30s west to low 50s east cooling into mid 20s to mid 30s by Monday. Highs Saturday in the 60s to near 70 and in the 50s both Sunday and

South Texas - Partly cloudy Saturday. A chance of rain and turning cooler extreme north late Saturday and remainder of area Sunday. Mostly fair and cool Monday. Highs from 70s north to 80s south Saturday, 60s north to 70s south Sunday, and 50s north to 60s south Monday. Lows from near 50 north to 60s south Saturday, 40s north to 50s south Sunday, and 30s north to mostly 40s south Monday.

**BORDER STATES** Oklahoma — Fair and mild tonight. Friday warm and windy. Lows tonight mid 20 Panhandle to mostly 30s elsewhere. Friday high upper 50s Panhandle to mid 60s south-

New Mexico - Fair skies tonight except for clouds increasing in the northwest after midnight. Southwest winds increasing Friday, with gusts over 40 mph expected near the southern mountains Friday afternoon. Turning colder from the northwest Friday, with snow spreading into the northwest third. Lows tonight will range from 10 to 25 in the mountains to the 30s in the east. Highs Friday will be in the 30s in the northwest corner to the low 60s across the Southeast Plains.

# Texas/Regional

## official visits South Texas to observe refugee camps

By JOEL WILLIAMS **Associated Press Writer** 

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HARLINGEN (AP) — A United Nations refugee expert says her visit to the state's southernmost county was prompted by the large number of Central American asylum-seekers flooding the area, not the federal government's new policy keeping them

Susan Timberlake, a legal officer with the Washington, D.C., office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, today was to conclude a three-day visit to the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

"When I go back, I'll discuss what I've seen with my office and with my headquarters in Geneva, and we'll sit down with the (U.S) government and discuss it," Timberlake said.

More than 30,000 Central Americans have crossed the Rio

That time again

Grande illegally near Brownsville and sought political asylum since the end of May, when the INS started keeping count of the growing flood of "other than Mexican' immigrants.

The concentration of Central Americans in the Valley has increased sharply since Dec. 16, when the INS started requiring asylum-seekers in the area to submit applications at the INS' Harlingen office and to receive word of approval or denial here.

City and county officials have complained that the new INS procedure is overloading an already poverty-stricken area with displaced people.

Timberlake said the UNHCR was not drawn to visit Cameron County by the new INS procedure, "but by the fact that there are large numbers of asylumseekers here, and that's what the UN is interested in."

She met with the mayors of



Thelma Johnson, 60, from Nicaragua stands in front of the makeshift tent she is sharing with other refugees near Harlingen.

Harlingen and McAllen Wednesday morning, and with INS officials Tuesday afternoon.

Timberlake said she visited crowded, dilapidated motels and makeshift campsites that have been home to hundreds of Central Americans, some of them living in the South Texas brush under discarded sheets of plastic.

"Clearly these people are experiencing difficulty and hardship, and this is one thing I wanted to come down and see about," Timberlake said Wednesday

More than 100 countries have subscribed to the UNHCR's 1951 convention and-or its 1967 protocol relating to the status of refugees, which define refugees and acceptable procedures for handling them. UN language was incorporated into U.S. law with the 1980 Refugee Act, generally defining refugees as people outside of their countries due to well

founded fear of persecution.

"I have no idea if the government will change its policy because of anything I do, but I know that the government is taking measures to deal with what they perceive is a crisis, and that the (Dec. 16) change of policy in that regard has been to meet that problem," Timberlake said.

Mark Schneider, an attorney with Harlingen-based Proyecto Libertad, which provides legal aid for Central Americans, said he hoped the INS again would allow the asylum-seekers to travel on to their destinations to apply where many have relatives to help them.

"We hope the INS will respond to international and local pressure and stop using the Valley as a detention center," Schneider

Asylum-seekers previously were allowed to travel to their destination cities.

## First crane killing reported in 21

**AUSTWELL** (AP) — Federal authorities are investigating the fatal shooting of a female whooping crane, the first reported killing of one of the endangered birds in 21

Brent Giezentanner, manager of the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge, said Wednesday the crane was killed Tuesday morning at the northern end of San Jose Island, the first such incident since 1968 when another hunter was fined for shooting a crane near the re-

The investigation will determine whether the hunter, whose name was not released, shot the crane intentionally or by accident, Giezentanner said.

The out-of-town hunter and a companion were hunting for geese and ducks in Spalding Cove, state-owned marshland south of the wildlife refuge where the cranes make their winter homes, he said.

Giezentanner said the shooting may have been accidental, but added that "there's still a lot of difference in a 2-foot goose and a 5-foot crane.

"A prudent hunter should have known the difference," he said.

The female crane was shot as it flew with its mate through heavy fog above the cove, Giezentanner said. The last reported shooting of a whooping crane occurred north of the refuge under almost identical weather conditions on Jan. 4, 1968, he said.

The shooting of cranes is not always detected because the endangered whoopers are not monitored constantly during their annual migration north or south, he added.

Both in 1968 and Tuesday, wildlife refuge officials learned of the shooting after both hunters had surrendered themselves to au-

The hunter involved in the 1968 shooting was fined \$500, the maximum penalty then for killing an endangered species under the

**Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Under the current Endangered Species Act** 

of 1969, a person charged with intentionally killing a member of an endangered species faces a one-year sentence and/or a \$20,000 fine. An accidental killing carries a maximum six-month sentence and/or \$10,000

The loss of this particular 4-year-old female was disheartening, he said, adding that the crane had brought her first chick with her on the southerly migration from the Wood Buffalo National Park in northern

The chick was among 18 that successfully completed their first migration south. Canadian officials estimated that 22 to 23 chicks were hatched last summer; 136 adult cranes and chicks made the migration to the Aransas refuge this year.

The female crane had mated with a crane from the Brazoria National Wildlife Refuge in Angleton and potentially could have produced 10 to 15 more hatchings during her adult life. The average female crane starts breeding when it is five years old or older.

1987 reached \$3 billion, the state should establish a trade office in Canada, a state representative

Texas now has an office in Mexico City which promotes economic ties between the state and Mexico, its largest export cus-

"I think that it only makes sense that the second-largest trading partner for Texas also have a trade office," said state Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo, during a Capitol news conference Wednesday.

"That office would promote trade and would promote tourism, and it would be good for all of us," Cuellar said.

Texas exported \$2 billion worth of goods to Canada in 1987 and imported \$1 billion to give the state a \$1 billion trade surplus, Cuellar said. He said that profit

AUSTIN(AP)—Because a new could grow under the trade going to have a big impact not largest trade partner, and the

Texas-Canada trade, which in called "unprecedented in its lar said. scope," will phase out tariffs and ease other barriers on both sides over the next 10 years. The agreement also includes a guarantee against Canadian oil import restrictions.

'We've got some way to go to take advantage of the free trade agreement," said Carl E. Rufelds, Canadian consulgeneral based in Dallas. "Texas is exporting twice as much to Canada as Canada is to Texas. We will be working very actively in this regard. We'd like to think we could balance that trade."

"Texas is a natural powerhouse when it comes to international trade," and is second only to California among the states, said Cuellar, who heads the state Committee on International Trade Between Texas and Mexico.

"The free trade agreement is

U.S.-Canada free trade agree- agreement that took effect Jan. 1. only on Canada and the United countries traded more than \$166 ment is expected to increase The U.S.-Canada agreement, States, but also on Texas," Cuel-billion in 1987, said William H.

> **Among Texas commodities** and services purchased by Canada are plastics, computers, chemicals, petroleum and coal products, and aircraft and auto engines and parts. Texas imports from Canada include chemicals, newsprint, lumber, iron, steel and aluminum.

Canada is the United States'

Cavitt, director of the U.S. Department of Commerce Office of Canada.

Cavitt said the free trade agreement is "the most comprehensive trade agreement ever negotiated," and called it "a good deal for both countries."

Texas exports to Canada increased \$500 million between 1986 and 1987.



"LORDY-LORDY" LOOK WHO'S HAPPY BIRTHDAY DOUG

## Taking Mom to her first concert

There are a number of don'ts in this world. Jim Croce covered most of them in his song "Bad Bad Leroy Brown." If ol' Jim were around today, I would suggest another one to him. Don't ever take your 50-year-old mother to a pop music concert. It just isn't worth the trouble.

State employees Rachel Ramirez, front, and Carol Baker

change the names on the directory in the State Capitol on

Wednesday. The 71st Texas Legislature convenes in Austin

on Jan. 10, with legislators facing a number of pressing

My wife and I flew to Fort Worth over the New Year's weekend for a belated Christmas with my mom. Since we were going to the concert capital of the Southwest, we decided we would take in some New Year's Eve entertainment while we were there.

As we discussed the options, my mom walked into the room.

"Well, what are you kids going to do tonight?" That's the kind of question mothers ask when they already have their own answer waiting in the

"Well, we were thinking about ... " "I bought some sparkling grape drink for us, and I think I saw where Dick Clark was having another one of his specials on tonight."

My wife and I looked at each other and almost fainted at the thought of having that much fun. What more could one ask out of life than grape iuice with bubbles and another big rockin' New Year's Eve with the world's oldest teen-ager? Maybe he'd even bring on Ed McMahon for some

of those really cute bloopers. Oh boy "Gee, Mom, we were kind of thinking about going to Dallas for the Biggest Dance in Texas. Restless Heart and Highway 101 will be there.

along with Tanya Tucker and some others." "Weil, that would be Ok, I guess. What time do we need to leave?"

I took a moment trying to visualize my mother at a country music concert. It was a blank screen. My mom is more the Bill Gaither Trio type. A little singin'. A little preachin'. Take the offering and go home.

"What do people wear to concerts these days?" she asked. I started to mention mini-skirts and black stock-

ings, but thought better of it. "Oh, western casual mostly. Whatever you want

to wear."

The last western attire my mom owned was a cowboy hat she bought at the rodeo when she was 12. So she wore her "mother" clothes. A bright blue

polyester pant suit and her comfortable shoes. Somehow, I wasn't worried about losing her in



Bear Mills



As we got to the concert and found our seats, Highway 101 was taking the stage.

"Why are they so loud?" "It's a concert, Mom."

"Could somebody ask them to turn it down?"

"I don't think so." "What?"

Restless Heart.

"I said that I don't think so." An hour later they were replaced on stage by

"You'll like them, Mom. They're pretty mellow.

They were so mellow, in fact, that she was snoring by the second song. For this we paid \$27.50 a

Her slumber was rudely interrupted by Tanya Tucker. Clad in a rather revealing little outfit, she pranced on stage to the sound of screaming guitars. It sounded like a Lear jet was landing in

"What the ... was there an explosion?!?"

"No, Mom, that's just the next act." "What?"

I pointed to the stage and made a motion like I was strumming a guitar.

"I thought this was country music," she screamed over the music.

"It is." "What?"

"IT IS."

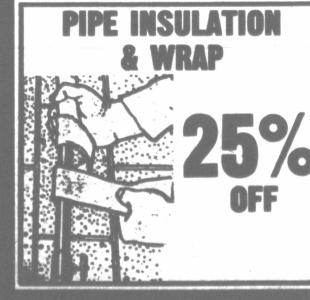
"How is this different from rock'n'roll?" "Rock music is louder."

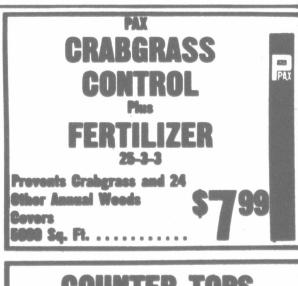
"Are we going home soon?"

We made it back to Fort Worth by midnight. Dick Clark was on TV. We all had a glass of sparkling grape juice and waited for Ed McMahon to arrive with the first blooper.











# Viewpoints



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### **Opinion**

## Kemp should bring **HUD** to free-market

Jack Kemp's presence as secretary of Housing and Urban Development in George Bush's administration should extend beyond his own department to broader economic concerns. He should use the office as a bully pulpit from which to advance free-market ideas

The appointment shows Bush's continuing support of supply-side economics, which emphasizes tax cuts and reduced government restraints on production. Kemp's ideas, based on the work of free-market economists, formed the basis of Ronald Reagan's economic recovery program, including the 1981 Kemp-Roth tax cuts.

Bush also knows that he is headed for the White House only because he lifted Kemp's own ideas and used them to better effect. Just before the New Hampshire primary last February, Bush announced his pledge never to raise taxes and soared ahead of his high-tax opponent, Sen. Bob Dole, who had just won the Iowa caucuses. Kemp had also taken the pledge, but in New Hampshire he foolishly emphasized the social spending programs he had sup-

Kemp's new job does include some difficulties. **HUD** would best advance Americans' housing needs by demolishing itself. For most of its existence, HUD has done little more than demolish poor neighborhoods and replace them with tax-subsidized instant slums. And by plundering taxpayers' dollars it has taken money from families with real housing needs. The poor are best helped by lowering their tax burden and removing government restraints on

HUD performs its best, or least damaging, role by using free-market mechanisms to help the poor directly. One of the Reagan administration's greatest accomplishments was that HUD, under the quiet direction of Samuel R. Pierce Jr., im-

plemented right-minded reforms. Pierce and Reagan successfully pushed legislation giving government housing tenants the power to manage their dwellings, and, in many cases, to buy them. Tennants are thereby turned from wards of the welfare state into property holders. Few things add more to human dignity than property own-

Kemp knows this, and he has been one of Pierce's allies in Congress. He can be expected to advance tenant-ownership as well as enterprise zones, a longtime project of his, which give prosperity-inducing tax breaks to the worst inner-city areas. He may also advance private solutions to the homelessness problem, often caused by government "urban renewal" programs, which destroy places where the poor live, forcing them onto the street, and by rent control, which restrict the housing market and drives up rental costs.

No doubt Kemp still yearns to occupy the Oval Office himself. That future now depends on the game plan the former Buffalo Bills quarterback runs at HUD.

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# Scandals don't always matter

Somewhere, Gary Hart and Douglas Ginsberg are smiling. John Tower may turn out to be a good secretary of Defense or a lousy one, but his appointment represents a useful achievement by itself. It shows that personal scandals are not necessarily a disqualification from high office, refuting the theory that American people are naive bluenoses.

In the weeks since the election, Tower has been the subject of lots of juicy reports about his history of drinking and womanizing. No man is a hero to his valet — or to his ex-wife.

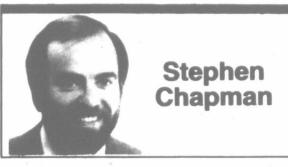
Last year, Tower went through a nasty divorce, and the former Mrs. Tower gave the FBI an earful about his proclivities, which were no secret in Washington. During the divorce proceeding, she accused him of having affairs with three different women, one of them a Filipino maid in Geneva named Darla

The result was that after the FBI investigated and the president-elect grilled Tower, he was chosen anyway, and the public reacted with about as much emotion as it did when Frank Carlucci got the job.

True, there were no damning National Enquirer photos of Tower cuddling Darla on his lap, nor any jilted Dallas belles spilling lurid tales. (Not yet, anyway.) But it was still surprising that the only criticism of this appointment concerned Tower's susceptibility to men in crisp uniforms, not his weakness for women in tight skirts.

If the booze and broads fortify him for cutting the defense budget, the thinking seems to be, they can be overlooked. If not, they'll be the least of his failings. In other words, Tower will be judged on how he does his job, just as he

The point here is not the usual one: that the discretion are expected.



public doesn't have a right to know about these things because they're irrelevant to a person's fitness for office. The point is that the public does have a right to know — so it can judge the relevance for itself — but is perfectly capable of putting such faults in perspective.

If the person involved is suspect to start with (like Hart) or totally unknown (like Ginsberg), and if the behavior is flagrant enough or serious enough, then personal vices may spell oblivion. In Ginsberg's case, though, it was administra-

tion officials and senators who got squeamish, not the public. At the time, most Americans told pollsters that an acquaintance with marijuana was forgivable in a Supreme Court justice. Apparently they also think it's OK in a presi-

dent. Bruce Babbit and Al Gore didn't make it to the White House, but they lost on political merits. Their confessions of youthful potsmoking had zero effect with the voters.

The Hart debacle was generally lamented as proof that Americans demand perfect morality from their leaders, which would have disqualified any number of presidents, including Roosevelt, Eisenhower and Kennedy. In fact, it only proved that chasing bimbos in public is more than voters will tolerate. A little taste and

The model here might be San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros, whose long-time affair with a married woman came to light a few months ago. (What is it with these Texans?) Cisneros, probably the nation's best-known Hispanic politician, has confessed all, aired the details of his miserable marriage, and at last report was considering a divorce.

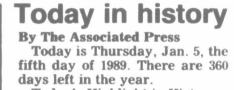
How did the voters react? The scandal was so damaging to Cisneros that he's only the most popular politician in the state. He had pondered a 1990 race for Republican Phil Gramm's Senate seat, and one poll shows him leading his most likely rivals by 18 and 23 percentage points. There is even a move to get him to reverse his earlier decision not to run for reelection

This episode doesn't suggest that voters will ignore just anything, no matter how outrageous. But it does prove that a politician of known ability isn't going to be tarred and feathered just because he succumbs to the temptations of the

Apparently all the people who had always thought Cisneros was a great mayor considered the revelations and decided you can be a great mayor without being Husband of the Year.

The press has traditionally shied away from reporting information like this because it assumes the electorate is too immature to handle it intelligently. The paradox is that by refusing to cover up for politicians, the press will probably foster a climate of greater tolerance.

Personal vices may not be attractive, but they usually don't prevent a leader from doing his job well. The voters, knowing that, seem content to let God decide who goes to heaven and to base their own political decisions on who's likely to improve things here on earth.



Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 5, 1896, the Austrian newspaper Wiener Presse published the first public account of a discovery by German physicist Wilhelm Roentgen of a form of radiation that became known as X-rays.

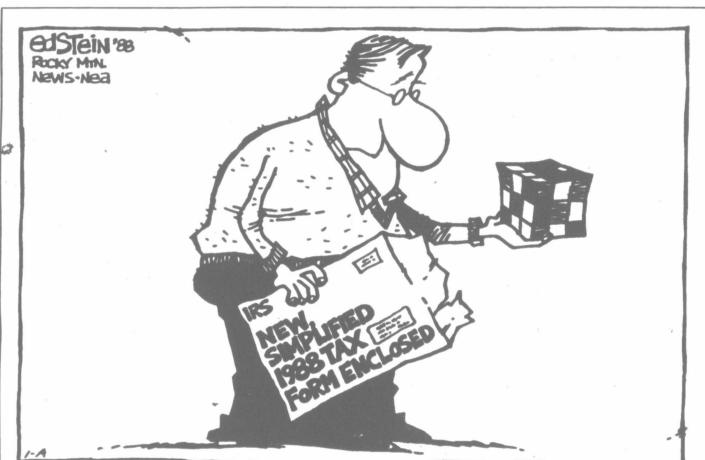
On this date: In 1589, Catherine de Medici of France died at the age of 69.

In 1781, a British naval expedition led by Benedict Arnold burned Richmond, Va. In 1895, French Capt. Alfred

Drevfus convicted of treason was publicly stripped of his rank He was later declared innocent. In 1925, Nellie Tayloe Ross became the first female governor of

a state as she assumed her duties as chief executive of Wyoming to finish out her late husband's

In 1933, the 30th President of the United States, Calvin Coolidge, died at his home in Northampton, Mass.



# What do you do with 16,000?

Somebody broke into the birth control clinic at Grady Hostpital in Atlanta recently and stole 16,000 condoms. I swore I wouldn't write a column about the incident.

At the time, it seemed that such a column would be a cheapie. All I would have to do is sit down in from of my typewriter and come up with a few cute lines about condoms, and I'd have a quick "no-brainer" and I could take the rest of the day off.

Anybody could write a column about the theft of 16,000 condoms, couldn't they? Sure they could. But let them try to make up something funny about Yasser Arafat not being allowed to speak at the United Nations or animal rights.

But then I began to act and think sensibly. Somebody steals 16,000 condoms only once in a columnist's career. I decided I couldn't pass up the opportunity.

In fact, I'm not sure this wasn't the first condom heist in history, and even if it wasn't the first, it certainly had to be the biggest. Several questions concerning the theft began

to creep into my mind. Like, how much do 16,000 condoms weigh? Would they weigh so much or be so unwieldy to handle that the job involved more than one

What went through the robber's (or robbers')



mind when he or she came upon the 16,000 con-

Did the thief think, "Hey, there's 16,000 condoms here. Let's see, if I could sell them for 50 cents each, I'd make \$8,000."

Or did the thief think, "Just for kicks, I'll take these 16.000 condoms with me and see if anybody writes a column about it.

Or was the thought, "I think I'll stage a huge group sex party. I'll need these condoms, of course, and then I'll invite Audrey and Henry and Rebecca and Grover and Peggy and Ralph,

If it was the thief's idea to throw such a party, I'd like to be invited — if not to engage in the activities to at least study and take notes and later chronicle the event to history. Maybe the Romans held orgies that required 16,000 con-

doms, but I don't think it's been done recently. Some more questions came up.

If somebody steals 16,000 condoms, where do they hide them? Could you get 16,000 condoms in a closet? In the garage?

A locker at the bus station certainly wouldn't hold all of them. What if you buried them? If the thief did bury the 16,000 condoms, would

he or she take a friend out to the burial site and say, "Guess what I've got buried under here?" The friend might respond, "A Brinks' truck filled with money.

"No," the thief would explain, "anybody could steal a Brinks' truck filled with money. I've got 16,000 condoms buried under here.'

There's one other thought I had. Perhaps the condom thief was acting as a humanitarian. Perhaps he or she took the 16,000 condoms and plans to distribute them around the United States as a means of helping put a stop to unwanted pregnancies and the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.

We always think the worst of people when we should think the best of them.

Imagine this person handing out condoms across the width and breadth of our great nation as a favor to his or her fellow citizens

Johnny Condomseed. It might be. It just

## Is Congress 'gelous' of Bush-o-mania?

By BEN WATTENBERG

A wonderful political indicator, at some variance with what we have been led to believe, appeared the other day in The Washington Post. A headline BUSH, FOLLOWING HIS NOSE; THE PRESIDENT-ELECT GOES SHOPPING FOR BATH GEL." Yup, big news: Bush himself actually entered a store in downtown Washington to buy some Christmas gifts.

You may ask: Why does this stunning event have massive political significance? I answer your question with more questions: Would there be a story, if newly elected Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, a Democrat, went shopping for bath gel? Would there be a story if House Speaker Jim Wright, a Democrat,

went shopping for bath gel? No. By the deeply ingrained standards of American journalism, bath gel is news only when associated with

The classic case in point was the

great Ford English Muffin Caper. Have you ever toasted an English muffin? Was it big news? Answers: Probably yes, surely no. But when Gerald Ford assumed the presidency from Richard Nixon in 1974, it was learned (leaked?) that the new president tended to wake early and make his own English muffin in the White House toaster. Like, wow! A real man of the people; a clear signal of the death knell of the imperial presidency; how charming; how very American. Remake the front page

This new-prez-worship is an important, sometimes temporary, often un-considered part of the political power equation. More so than ever, media is power. Bush-o-mania is just beginning, and my guess is that the Squire of Kennebunkport is going to do pret-ty well with hyper-celebrity and the

political power it yields.

The biggest laugh line of 1960 may be recalling the fact that in 1966 pundits actually said Bush had no charisma. Since the election I've seen Bush a few times at public occasions. He

gives a fine impression: good looking, tall, trim, self-effacing, occasionally humorous. On television he appears decisive, crisp, knowledgeable — in short, presidential. Whatever happened to the foot-in-mouth wimp? What will we write about?

And all this before even becoming president. Just wait until the 53 grandchildren start visiting the White House! And add in Barbara Bush; she will be media dynamite.

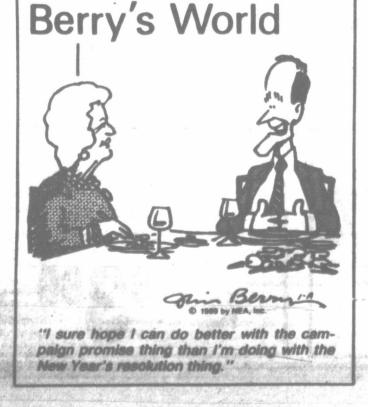
Meanwhile, of course, the 535 members of the Congress will also be in the news. But their news will not be about bath gel and little children. No indeed. It will be mostly about the world's most fascinating topic: the deficit. Sequestration. Targets. Shortfalls. Out-years. How very interesting. It is a topic that even the people who understand it, understand that they don't understand it.

This presidential media monopoly serves the president well, at least in the early years of a term when the publicity is almost invariably roseate. When the public is fascinated by En-

glish muffins, they are also inclined to listen, and often heed, what this wonderful president of ours has to say about taxes, defense, foreign policy. The Congress, ear to ground, senses this as it happens, but often not before. Hence, all the talk about how there "will be no honeymoon." There will be a honeymoon.

Only later, as and if policies and events don't work out well, the spotlight shows P-warts, and the mediapublic honeymoon ends. That's when you hear stories about Ford falling down and Jimmy Carter chasing killer rabbits.

On balance, though, our system is president-oriented. The president is commander-in-chief, negotiates with the Soviets, appoints and runs the executive branch, has the veto power and the media power. My colleague Richard Scammon has summed up the relationship between the Congress and the presidency rather well. "You can look all around Washington," he says, "and never find a statue to a



## **Nation**

## TV journalists charged with checking fake bombs on flights

By CATHERINE CROCKER **Associated Press Writer** 

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NEW YORK (AP) — Alert TWA employees led to the arrest of two French television newsmen charged with trying to ship fake bombs on three airlines here, but Dutch TV reported a similar attempt overseas was successful.

In the incident at John F. Kennedy International Airport on Wednesday, three packages containing bogus bombs were left for shipment at the small cargo areas of three international airlines: TWA, Pan Am and Air France, police said.

The packages also contained a typed message that read in part: "Congratulations! You have found our phony bomb! (made with molding clay, one alarm clock and wires)," said Armando Arrastia, a spokesman for the Port Authority, which operates the airport.

The message was written on the letterhead of the French television station TF1 and signed by the station's New York bureau chief, Alain Chaillou, Arrastia said.

Chaillou and producer Bruce Frankel were arrested Wednesday night and charged with violating the federal explosives statute, said FBI Agent Mary Frances Lilly.

They were being held at the Metropolitan Correctional Center and were to appear today before a U.S. magistrate.

In an apparently unrelated incident in Amsterdam, the television station Veronica reported Wednesday that it smuggled a fake bomb onto a London-bound flight to demonstrate that terrorists can pass security checks with relative ease.

Reporter Gert Berg was filmed by his station carrying a briefcase containing the imitation bomb through security checkpoints and onto the aircraft at Schiphol Airport, considered one of Western Europe's safest.

The airline involved was not identified. The incidents a week after investigators reported that a bomb blew up a Pan Am jet in Scotland, killed 270 people, drew mixed reactions from journalism scholars over the ethics of such news-

gathering techniques.

Joan Konner, dean of Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism in New York, said it was a "particularly worthy investigation to try to find out how well airport security works," but added

"If that is how they want to test the system, they have to understand the (legal) risk they are

Melvin Mencher, a Columbia professor who has written about journalism ethics, called the episode "nickle and dime" reporting.

"For some guy to say he got a wad of paper through as a bomb sounds a little childish," he said. "I don't know if the risk these guys took proved a thing. They've caused inconvenience."

Bruce Haxthausen, an Air France spokesman here, said that because of the incident the airline will now inspect every cargo shipment received rather than conduct random inspections.

TWA spokesman Robert Blattner said, "We are very pleased our employees were able to use their techniques and just solve the case on the spot." At the Pan Am small cargo check-in, the pack-

age had been accepted and "was on its way to the X-ray when the New York Port Authority police walked in and seized the package," said Alan Loflin, an airline spokesman.

Alouane Jeanterne, a TF1 documentary producer in New York, said he knew nothing about his colleagues' alleged actions before their arrest.

"If you're asking me my ethical judgment about it, I really don't know,'' he said. "Every reporter has his own way of getting things, of getting sources, of getting to the news. I have not come to a private opinion yet. My own thinking now is what is going to happen to Chaillou.'

He said he did not know if Chaillou's superiors in Paris knew anything in advance about the bogus

In the message contained in each of the three packages, Chaillou said: "We are TF1, the largest television network in France, and it is with due respect and great pleasure that we will tell our 18 million viewers who watch our daily newscast at 8, that we found your company to be keen and consistent with security matters.

### Super nails



(AP Laserphoto

Joyce Mays poses for a photograph in New Orleans recently, displaying her 5-inch-long fingernails. It's been three years since she cut her nails, which she paints with acrylics to change the designs about every three weeks.

## Schlesinger for

WASHINGTON (AP) — President-elect Bush is nearing a decision on his two remaining Cabinet-level selections but apparently has ruled out James Schlesinger for Energy secretary, sources said.

Meanwhile, sources close to Bush who spoke on the condition of anonymity said that two top contenders for the other unfilled spot, the newly created job of drug czar, are former Education secretary William J. Bennett and Texas industrialist Ross Perot.

Schlesinger, Energy secretary under President Carter and Defense secretary under President Ford, had earlier been mentioned as a leading candidate for the energy post.

The vice president and Schle-

energy issues but "the job was not offered," said a senior Bush transition official who insisted upon not being identified.

Schlesinger reportedly ran into opposition among influential Republicans for his ties to the Carter administration and an abrasive style, the sources said.

Sources said that former Louisiana Rep. Henson Moore remained a top contender on Bush's short list for the energy post. Aides to Bush said that while he

would like to wrap up his Cabinet selection as soon as possible, it was unlikely any additional announcements would come as early as today

Bush on Wednesday took obvious delight in his last official duty as presiding officer of the singer met last week to discuss Senate. Ruling over a joint ses-

sion of Congress convened to count electoral votes, the vice president was able to formally announce his own presidential

He declared the final tally from the Electoral College ballots cast last month, giving "George Bush of the state of Texas" 426 votes to Democratic challenger Michael Dukakis' 111 and a maverick electoral vote cast in West Virginia for Lloyd Bensten for president. The final tally reflected Bush's 40-state sweep in the November election.

It had been 152 years since a vice president had been able to perform such a task. Grinning broadly, Bush rapped the gavel and declared "the joint session dissolved." Congress will not reconvene until Jan. 20, when Bush and Vice President-elect Dan Quavle are inaugurated.

The last vice president to preside over his own presidential election certification was Martin Van Buren in 1837. This is only the fourth time a sitting vice president has been elected president in history. The others were James Adams (George Washington's vice president) and James Madison (Thomas Jefferson's).

The stray vote for Bentsen came from West Virginia.

Bush injected a note of humor in the roll call when Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., one of four official vote counters, announced only that Arkansas had cast six votes for president.

"The chair wonders who won that one," Bush observed dryly.

MENDON, Ill. (AP) — A woman drowned her oldest daughter in a bathtub, shot her other three children to death, then killed herself in a rampage

that shocked this tiny rural town. "I've been in law enforcement for 19 years, and this is the most gruesome thing I have ever seen," Adams County Sheriff Robert Nall said following Wednesday's grim events in this

town near the Missouri border. The bodies were discovered when the father, Greg Epker, returned home from work at a sign company in nearby Quincy, authorities said.

Epker, 32, found that his oldest daughter, Casey, had been drowned: that two other daughters, Shannon and Mandy, and a son, Lance, had been shot; and that his wife, Sheila, 27, had shot

herself, Nall said. The children

were 1 to 8 years old, neighbors said.

Epker was being treated for shock at St. Mary's Hospital in the county seat of Quincy 10 miles to the south, Nall said.

The killings apparently occurred between 3:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m., Nall said.

sequence of events and what took place, the sheriff said. "At this point, we have found no motive. It was a spontaneous event, and we don't know what happened. We may never know, exactly."

Mendon, with a population of

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### children, then herselt nearly 1,000, is nearly 140 miles said Ron Durk, who owns the

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northwest of St. Louis. 'We've got a grocery, a gas station, a bank and variety store that's pretty much Mendon, except for one oil company that services the local area," said

Mayor Gene Rogers. "It's just a small town, where "We're trying to determine the everything's based on agriculture and everybody pretty much knows everybody else.

town's bowling alley and lives a few yards from the Epkers. 'Something had to snap.

"We didn't know them too much," Durk said. "We'd just see her out there in the yard with the kids in the summertime. ... Something like this is unbelievable." "They were sweet, little chil-

dren," said Durk's wife, Doris. "I used to see the little girls out in "You just can't imagine anyone doing anything like that," the yard, and they would wave at me."

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### Hollywood welcomes Reagan

**BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP)** — A legion of Hollywood glitterati feted President Reagan at a \$1 million homecoming gala, singing "Camp David is rare, but it ain't Bel-Air' and tantalizing the former actor with a TV offer.

Reagan, for his part, said he was eager to return to the state where he began his duel careers in film and politics.

"Everytime I come home, I say

to myself, 'Why did I ever leave?' Reagan remarked at Wednesday night's dinner. "I don't want to say I'm anxious, but in 15 days, 15 hours and 15 seconds, I will be on my way."

Merv Griffin, who escorted Eva Gabor to the gala to raise money for Nancy Reagan's antidrug program, replied "Isn't it wonderful?" when asked about the Reagans' imminent return to California

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July 28, 1983. This will bring their monthly FCC-approved customer line charge to \$5.50 per line. Other multi-line business customers will incur a 10-cent increase. This will bring their monthly FCC-approved customer line

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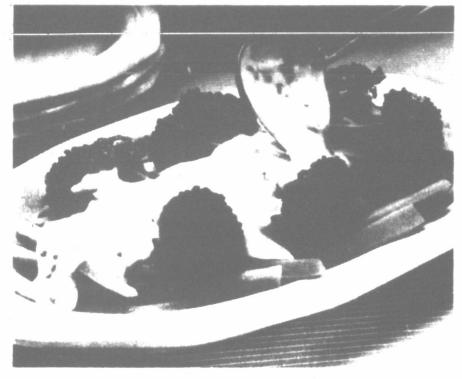
charge to \$5.50 per line as well. This charge is part of a nationwide plan originated by the FCC so local telephone customers would more directly contribute toward

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You can vary this basic cheese sauce, depending on the cheese you choose. Serve over hot cooked veget-

## Pick your own cheese for this versatile sauce

1/2 cup shredded Gruyere,

Jarlsberg, Swiss, Bel

(2 ounces)

pimiento

1 tablespoon diced

1 tablespoon dry white

Paese or Cheddar cheese

wine or 1 teaspoon lemon

In a 1-quart saucepan cook on-

ion in hot margarine about 2 mi-

nutes or until tender. Stir in flour

and pepper. Add milk. Cook and

stir over medium heat until thick-

ened and bubbly. Cook and stir 1

minute more. Reduce heat to low.

Stir in cheese just until melted.

Remove from heat at once; stir in

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juice. If mixture is thick, stir in 1

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— Avoid lumps. Stir flour and margarine together completely. Then add milk all at once and stir

— Get rid of the starchy taste of uncooked flour. Before adding cheese, cook sauce an extra minute after it thickens and bub-

- Go for low heat and short cooking for cheese sauce. Add cheese toward the end of cooking and cook only until cheese starts to melt. If you cook natural cheese longer, it separates, becoming tough.

**CHOOSE-A-CHEESE SAUCE** 1 green onion, thinly sliced

1 tablespoon margarine or butter

1 tablespoon all-purpose

Dash ground white pepper

## Store batter, streusel for these muffins

By NANCY BYAL **Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor** 

Keep the batter and streusel topping in the refrigerator for up to seven days for freshly baked muffins any day of the week.

**COFFEE-CAKE MUFFINS** 11/4 cups all-purpose flour % cup quick-cooking

rolled oats 1/4 cup packed brown sugar 11/2 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice 1/4 teaspoon salt

1 slightly beaten egg

⅔ cup milk

1/3 cup cooking oil

√<sub>3</sub> cup chopped walnuts Streusel Topping (recipe

follows) Non-stick spray coating In a medium mixing bowl stir together flour, rolled oats, brown \*sugar, baking powder, pie spice and salt. Make a well in the center. Combine egg, milk and oil.

Add all at once to flour mixture. Stir just until moistened (batter should be lumpy). Fold in 1/3 cup chopped walnuts. Transfer to an airtight container. Cover and store in refrigerator for up to 7

Streusel Topping: Mix 2 tablespoons chopped walnuts, 2 tablespoons flour and 1 tablespoon brown sugar. Cut in 1 tablespoon margarine. Place in airtight container and store in refrigerator.

To bake: Spray muffin cups with non-stick coating. Without stirring batter, fill muffin cups two-thirds full. Sprinkle 1 teaspoon nut mixture over each muffin. Bake in a 400-degree F oven 20 to 25 minutes or until brown. Remove from muffin pan. Serve warm. Makes 12.

Nutrition information per muffin: 182 cal., 4 g pro., 21 g carb., 10 g fat, 26 mg chol., 113 mg sodium.



## Cook mozzarella meatloaf in microwave

**Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor** 

Who would believe a meat loaf this good could be ready in just 30 minutes? Buy pizza sauce for easy seasoning and pre-shredded cheese for a fast filling. But the biggest time-saver is your microwave; it cooks the meat loaf in 21 minutes

> **MOZZARELLA-STUFFED MEAT LOAF**

1 beaten egg One 8-ounce can pizza sauce

1/4 cup fine dry bread crumbs 1/4 cup toasted wheat germ

11/2 pounds ground beef ½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese (2 ounces)

1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese 2 tablespoons dried

parsley flakes

1/4 cup shredded mozzarella cheese (1 ounce)

In a large bowl combine egg, 1/3 cup of the pizza sauce, bread crumbs and wheat germ. Mix in beef. On foil, pat beef mixture into a 9- by 8-inch rectangle.

In a small bowl combine the 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese, Parme-

san and parsley. Spoon cheese mixture down center third of beef mixture parallel to 8-inch side and to within 1/2 inch of edges. Use foil to bring short ends of beef together; seal edges and ends of roll. Roll from foil seam-side down onto a microwave-safe meat rack in a 12- by 71/2- by 2-inch microwave-safe baking dish. Cook immediately, or cover and chill overnight.

To cook, cover loaf with waxed paper. Cook in the microwave on 100 percent power (high) 5 minutes. Give dish a half-turn. Cook, uncovered, on 70 percent power (medium-high) 12 to 16 minutes or until no pink remains, shielding ends with foil as necessary to prevent overcooking and giving dish a half-turn every 5 minutes. Tent with foil. Let stand 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook remaining pizza sauce on 100 percent power (high) 1 minute or until heated through. Spoon over meat loaf. Sprinkle top with ¼ cup mozzarella. Return to microwave. Cook, uncovered, on high 1 minute or until cheese melts. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 358 cal., 28 g pro., 9 g carb., 22

No time to make meat loaf? Cooking time can take less than 30 minutes when you use your microwave. Top with cheese and serve with your favorite veget-

sodium. U.S. RDA: 10 percent vit. A, 13 percent thiamine, 19

g fat, 133 mg chol., 454 mg percent riboflavin, 26 percent niacin, 19 percent calcium, 21

## Snack combines Mexica

By NANCY BYAL **Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor** 

When my son and his buddies gather at our house to watch a ball game or movie, this is the snack they ask for. I make up the meat mixture and shred the cheese, then let them cook the nachos in the microwave oven a plateful at a time. **PIZZA NACHOS** 

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cheese (8 ounces)

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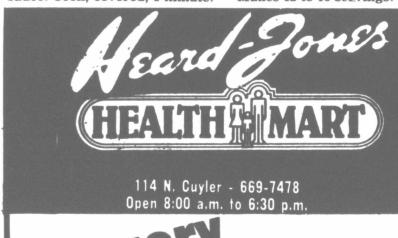
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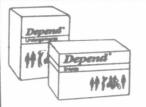
casserole combine sausage, onion and green pepper. Cook, covered, on 100 percent power (high) 4 to 6 minutes or until meat is brown and vegetables are tender, stirring once. Drain. Stir in mushrooms, pepper and pepper

In a microwave-safe 11/2-quart

Arrange half the tortilla chips in a layer on a 12-inch-round platter. Spoon half the topping evenly over chips. Top with half the cheese. Cook, uncovered, on high 11/2 to 21/2 minutes or until cheese is melted, giving dish a half-turn once. Serve warm. Repeat.



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# Lifestyles

## First-graders write stories before learning how to read

PHOENIX (AP) — "One day i went to the porck weth mi dady and we sow a brd and we went to the zoo weth mi momy and mi dady and sow a moncke and a zebra and a rabbit and a snak and a turtl the

Thus wrote a first-grader in her second month of Beverly Kerner's class at Lowell Elementary School in inner-city Phoenix, Ariz. The composition was good enough to be displayed on a bulletin board, illustrated with the author's crayon drawings, and used as an example by the teacher.

Although technically imperfect, even the most discriminating reader gets the gist of the story: The author went to the park with her dad and later to the zoo with her parents, and wrote about the animals she saw.

That a 6-year-old who has barely learned to read could type her story on a computer keyboard, using a range of words not found in traditional firstgrade spelling books, is an accomplishment that has educators singing praises for a writing program adopted by the district.

The "Writing to Read" program is being used in several school districts statewide. It focuses on kindergarten children and first-graders and encourages them to begin writing even before they

The premise is that young children come to school with broad vocabularies and abundant ideas, and they should be encouraged to write those ideas even though they don't know grammar, syntax and spelling.

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The program, created by International Business Machines Corp., combines coomputers with pencil-and-paper writing lessons, listening programs and play exercises to teach children how to write any idea they want to express.

"The way they're being taught to write is to get out a whole idea," says Debra Gomez, principal of Lowell Elementary. "The first focus is on the complete thought."

The mechanics of writing — spelling, grammar, punctuation and capitalization — also are taught, because children must have a solid grounding in basic skills, Gomez says. But those skills are secondary in the writing lab, reinforced instead in the regular classroom.

"What we're finding is minority students, when they get to college, can't write," Gomez says. "It's not so much the mechanics, but how you put the idea together."

So teachers like Beverly Kerner and Mary Griffin coax ideas out of their pupils during sessions at the "writing table" and have them develop the ideas in their own words. They then follow up with lessons that tackle troublesome words like "said" and "night" that defy grammar rules.

Words that can be sounded out evolve into pupils' writing in a distinct pattern, says Griffin, who teaches a group of children who lack some essential kindergarten skills and need special help to catch up with their peers.

"When the glimmerings begin, they write the first sound," Griffin says. "And when they understand a little more, they put down the final letter."

The vowels, those multiple-sound letters often found in the middle of a word, are the last letters to materialize, she adds.

Dee Diehl, a media resource specialist for the Phoenix Elementary district, says the approach encourages pupils to tap vocabulary words that they understand but might not know how to spell. Most children go to school with vocabularies of almost 4,000 words, while traditional reading-andspelling programs have limited children to fewer than 500 words a year, she says.

"It's the most wonderful thing when they use the 'wicked king' instead of the 'bad king,'" she says. Backers of the Writing to Read program contend

that children can read anything they write, and such an approach accelerates the rate at which pupils learn to read. Griffin agrees. In October, she says, her pupils

couldn't read. By early December, they were able not only to read back their own works but to pick up on their classmates' stories and plow into the "easy to read" classification of books.

"I have one girl who is reading at a beginning first-grade level," Griffin says.

The writing has given the pupils confidence that they can sound out words, and it reinforces the correlation between letters and certain sounds,

'My goal is to see my students think of themselves as writers, as authors," she says.

"Many of them do. They'll come to the table and say, 'When I was in bed last night, I decided to write about this.' And you know they've been thinking about it beforehand.'

### Successful scouting





Bags of canned goods attest to the success of Senior Scout Paul Brown's Eagle Scout project to collect canned goods for Good Samaritan Christian Services. Brown, 17, assisted by Troop 413, brought in 972 cans of food to be distributed to the needy, the largest single donation ever presented to Good Samaritan, according to Executive Director Bill Ragsdale. Brown, a Pampa High School junior. and members of Troop 413 conducted the canned food drive in northwest Pampa on

## Dads balk more than moms in talking sex with children

MANSFIELD, Ohio (AP) — Terri Fisher endures the verbal darts and leers of fellow academics for

the love of her work on frank talk about sex. Some who take a close look at what she does find it boring. She works with numbers, but it's a labor

Fisher, associate professor of psychology at the Ohio State University branch here, gets serious about the extent to which parents teach sex education to their children.

Though it's been 40 years since Alfred C. Kinsey published his first book on what goes on behind bedroom doors, Fisher still gets smirks from fellow professors as they pass on campus.

Much of her work is on a computer where she tallies and analyzes countless questionnaires answered by young people and their parents. They attest to the progress and problems of parent-child communications about sex and attitudes on the subject that develop among teen-agers and young

She jokes about her laboratory work, and when fellow professors want to dwell on the subject she invites them to see where she works.

"People invariably are disappointed when all they see inside are stacks of questionnaires and a microcomputer," she says.

Fisher, 35, has a doctorate in psychology from the University of Georgia and has found that even in enlightened times, many people, particularly fathers, are not comfortable talking about sex with her, even in a family setting.

Fisher didn't aim early at sex research. She started out to study the memory and the aging

Her work in graduate school at Georgia showed that discussing sex, even in the realm of academia. says, that she became "a little ashamed of being a sex researcher.'

She emphasized her work on the aging process when she applied for a job here in 1982, and after joining the faculty did some studies on aging.

'The research was not as exciting or important to me," she says, "but I thought it would make me more of a real scientist.

"I became aware of statistics on unplanned pregnancies, and my graduate adviser suggested I look at something in the area of sexuality.

She quickly found that "in our society, sexual behavior is viewed very differently than other be-

"Even among those of us who recognize it as just a part of life, it is hard (for parents) to suddenly start talking with a 10- or 12-year-old child about

She has completed several studies in the area of parent-child communication on sex. They involve different social, economic and age groups and she is now seeking federal funding to carry her re search into a three-year program.

Her questionnaires to students and parents are direct and specific in many instances, such as whether mother or father conveyed the idea that sex is dirty or fun, whether nice girls enjoy it, and whether women view sex in marriage as a duty. Parents are asked to measure their comfort level when talking sex with a child.

Among her findings:

- Children who readily discuss sex with parents have values more similar to the parents than do those who have little family communication on the

- Many parents and children can talk about everything under the sun except sex.

## Penmanship still counts in computer age

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — income, so her friends and her Calling Jenny Lynne Pile's handwriting neat is like calling the her talent into cash. Mona Lisa a pretty picture. In fact, her p's and q's are so beauti- ton newspapers says: "Tired of was a boy," she says. "At my tul, her sixth-grade teacher recently recognized her handiwork on an envelope even though she hadn't seen her for 35 years.

In a fast-paced world where computers can mass-produce "personal" letters, Pile is trying to parlay her perfect penmanship into a business — penning letters, addressing envelopes and completing thank-you notes for a fee.

"People have always complimented me on my (hand)writing," says Pile, of Dunbar. "Mostly I'd just address envelopes to other businesses and do things for my friends."

Pile worked for four years at the Charleston National Bank. then quit to care for an infant grandson. But she still needed an four children suggested she turn

writing? Don't have time? Let me do it for you. Weddings, Graduations, Business, Anniversaries & thank-yous; all beautifully written." She also does Christmas cards.

Pile says she thinks she can be successful, primarily because of the appalling state of most people's handwriting.

"You know, when your children bring their diplomas home from school and you can't read them, that's disgusting," she says. "I used to wonder to myself, 'Who did this?'"

Pile credits her sixth-grade teacher, Sylvia Jones, with having encouraged her to write neatly. Teachers today, she says, don't place the same emphasis on read it.'

clear, uniform handwriting. "Generally, men's writing is

worse than women's, although A classified ad in the Charles- my main competitor at school school reunion, he said he's a doctor, so he's probably the only doctor who can write. Pile's penmanship, more

graceful and stylish 35 years later and always done with a fountain pen and ink, caught her former teacher's eye when she spotted it on an envelope. "We sent her an invitation I

addressed to an event at the bank, and she recognized my writing," Pile says. "She contacted me and said how proud she was, how much she enjoyed seeing my improvement.'

Pile says she has little patience with sloppy, illegible writing.

"If you write something," she says, "people should be able to

## Surgical consent form has female patient fit to be tied

DEAR ABBY: In response to the letter from "Wondering in Waco," the woman who had planned to have her tubes tied and was told she needed her husband's consent, I would like to add my own experience along the same line: As a widow, planning to marry, I

wanted to have my tubes tied. As I sat in the hospital, wrapped in a sheet awaiting my turn for the surgery, a nurse came in and asked if my husband was available to sign the "consent form." I informed the nurse that I had no

husband, and if I did have one, I'd made an appointment with the be aghast at the idea that I would need his consent to have my tubes This requirement may not be "on

practice. ALSO APPALLED sign.

IN NEW JERSEY

**DEAR APPALLED: As I pre**viously pointed out: "It's possible that the physician asked the woman to obtain her husband's consent in a way that gave the impression that it was required

The moral to this story: If you are asked to do something that "feels" unfair, unjust or inappropriate, don't assume that it's a law — ask for proof.

DEAR ABBY: I hate writing letters, but I couldn't resist a comment to "Wondering in Waco," who was upset when her doctor told her she needed her husband's consent to have her tubes tied. I'm the mother of six lovely children and was on the pill for 10 years when some negative reports tarted coming out about it.

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**Dear Abby** Abigail Van Buren

surgeon, and I took my husband to

the doctor's office. I sat in the waiting room. The nurse came to get me, saying the doctor wanted to see the books," but it is a widespread me, too. When I went into his office, he handed me a form to read and It said: "I agree to allow my

husband to have this surgery, and I will not sue the doctor for tampering with my personal property."

honey and I had many laughs over them.

this for a long time afterward. So you see, it all depends on the doctor's rules. R.K. IN BILOXI, MISS.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-year-old boy and a sophomore in high school. I have many friends and I recently heard a rumor about one I care for. Someone told me that he is homosexual. I really don't want to be swayed by rumors, but I don't know how to ask him if it's true.

I have nothing against gay men, but I don't want to make the mistake of giving him the idea that I am interested. What should I do? TROUBLED IN TUCSON

DEAR TROUBLED: In answer to your question, I will tell you what not to do: Don't ask him any questions concerning his sexuality, don't believe Of course I signed it, and my rumors - and never repeat





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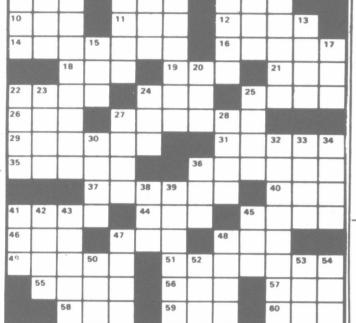
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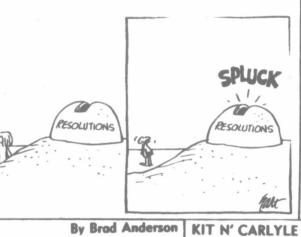
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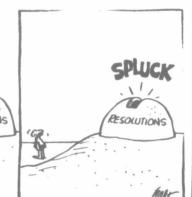
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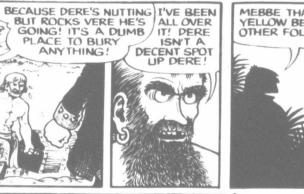








By Dave Graue





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By Bil Keone



"I like shaking hands with dogs 'cause they never squeeze.

**MARMADUKE** 



"You've got it all wrong, Miss Bennet. I didn't bring him to school...He brought me to school."

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By Bruce Beattie | The Family Circus



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By Art Sansom



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Astro-Graph

by hernice bede osol CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There's a possibility you may be confronted by some unexpected challenges today. If you are, stiffen your back and dig in, because with some extra effort, you can break through to success. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Even

though you won't have total control over a situation that has been causing you some concern, measures can be taken today to correct it if you'll work in harmony with the others involved. PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) An old pro-

ject you've been nursing along should not be allowed to suffer today because of your enthusiasm for something new. For best results, give equal attention to both. ARIES (March 21-April 19) Conditions

that have a direct influence on your reputation are in rather delicate balance today. If you're considerate and sincere toward others, the results should be favorable TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be open-

minded and tolerant regarding the views and opinions of others today, but by the same token, don't discount knowledge you've acquired from your own personal experiences. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Speak up to-

day if you want to recoup what is owed you by another. The person with whom you'll be dealing isn't apt to feel inclined to make the initial move CANCER (June 21-July 22) Someone with whom you share a common objective might not be as speedy as you are

today. Let this individual move at her own speed because she'll know what she can handle LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Several important, practical objectives can be achieved today, but it will take dedicated effort to attain them. If you're not

prepared to work for what you want, don't expect a free ride. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you feel inclined to gamble today, gamble on your own expertise and talents. Things might not work out too well if the risk rests

upon the abilities of another. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You'll need a featherlike touch in handling abrasive, domestic situations today. If you're too stern or heavy-handed, it could create

additional problems. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try not to take yourself or events too seriously today. Appraise developments realistically, but don't treat a molehill as if it were

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It behooves you to play a little hard to get in your commercial or financial dealings today. Don't deliberately take advantage of the other guy, but by the same token, protect your interests.

By Larry Wright

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## Bills' Hull beat odds

By JOHN F. BONFATTI **AP Sports Writer** 

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. -Beating the odds almost every step of the way, Buffalo Bills center Kent Hull has fashioned a football career capped by his selection last month to play in the Pro Bowl

As a high school quarterback, he was too slow. As a lineman in college, he was too light. As a first-year pro with the USFL's New Jersey Generals, he was woefully deficient as a passblocker.

"I've felt my whole career I've had to prove something to somebody," Hull said as the Bills prepared for Sunday's AFC title game at Cincinnati

'That's how I motivate myself. I've always tried to prove people wrong," Hull said. "I've always been too tall, too weak, too light. too slow. Always something.

The only time Hull quit rather than fight was after his sophomore year in high school. His coach at Greenwood High School in Mississippi told Hull he would no longer be the team's quarterback. "My feet got big," Hull said. "I slowed down a great deal."

Faced with the prospect of sitting on the bench, Hull quit the team, deciding he'd concentrate on his first sporting love, basketball. He was an all-state forward.

"If I wasn't going to play, it was going to be boring to me," he said. "I just didn't want to fool

But between spring practice, when he told the coach he was quitting, and the beginning of the football season in the fall, Hull had a change of heart — and a new position. His coach offered to move him to tight end.

"He came up to me and told me I was a good enough athlete to play," Hull said. "He told me that it took 11 starters at one time for football and five for basketball. He told me my chances were a lot better getting a scholarship in football. So I hung around for

The switch to tight end was followed by a switch to center for his senior year, and Hull's played

He played well enough to get a scholarship to Mississippi State, where his father had been a basketball star.

When he got to Mississippi State, Hull found two other freshmen centers, both high school All-Americans, competing for the starter's job. But one tore up a knee and the other quit after starting one game.

Hull "ended up starting the whole year as a freshman at 200 pounds, playing against (nose tackles) like Jim Burt'' who later went on to star for the New York Giants.

How did a 200-pound center survive in the rugged Southeastern Conference?

"By staying real low nd probably just flustering people more than blocking them," he said. "I was all over their ankles and their knees.

Realizing he'd need more bulk, Hull added 30 pounds between his freshman and sophomore years and left college at 250 pounds. He now carries 275 pounds on a 6foot-4 frame.

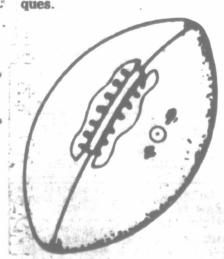
Even though he played in the Blue-Gray game after his senior <sup>t</sup>. year, Hull didn't attract much attention from pro scouts.

"We ran a wishbone offense and somebody of my caliber that was not very strong and weighed 250 pounds, my chances of going to the pros were very slim," he

When the Generals made him a seventh-round selection in the USFL draft, Hull jumped at the chance to give the pros a try.

Once in camp, he discovered the Generals had signed "about nine other centers." Through perseverance and injuries to his competitors, he became the starter and played every offensive snap for three seasons with New Jersey

Hull said he owes "my whole career to the USFL" because it was doing those years that he learned pass-blocking techni-





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ing Chicago's injury problems

and the 49ers' 34-9 rout of the

Reminded the Bears are 21/2-

point favorites, Hilgenberg

said: "What they usually say

is that the home team gets a

least three points, so we're still

Vikings last weekend.

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"We're the underdog team a

"I just hope it's cold, that's

Sunday's forecast calls for

Bears' quarterbacks Jim McMahon (left) and

Mike Tomczak get the kinks out in Wednesday's

# Bears' quarterback still undecided

McMahon or Tomczak? that's all that matters. I'm not

By MARIO FOX **Associated Press Writer** 

SUWANEE, Ga. - Joe Montana and Keith Van Horne have added their 2 cents worth to the Chicago Bears' quarterback sweepstakes.

As the Bears prepare to face Montana's San Francisco 49ers in the NFC title game on Sunday, Van Horne told reporters on Wednesday he doesn't understand how Jim McMahon lost his starting quarterback job to Mike Tomczak when McMahon returned from

a knee injury last month. "My own personal opinion is that I don't know why someone, once you get hurt and you're able to come back ... why you should lose your job,"

the Bears tackle said. "That's the way it's usually been. If you're able to come back and play — and you're a starter — you should have your job back. That's what I'd

expect if it was me. Van Horne insisted he wasn't trying to second-guess Coach Mike Ditka's decision to go with Tomczak in the play-

"We've been winning and

trying to create any controversy, I'm just trying to tell you what I think," the lineman said.

Montana, who was involved in a quarterback flap in the San Francisco media when he played behind Steve Young earlier this season, said it is important for a head coach to make a quick decision on a starter.

"The longer he waits, the tougher it gets on both guys,' Montana said via a telephone hookup from San Jose, Calif... where the 49ers are practicing for Sunday's game.

Worried about Tomczak's bruised left shoulder, Ditka had delayed until today a decision on who will be his starting quarterback against the 49ers. On Wednesday's injury report, Tomczak was listed as probable, meaning there is a 75 percent chance he would be able

McMahon-Tomczak question would adversely affect the **Bears on Sunday** "I don't know but I hope it

does," Montana said. Several Bears said they hope the weather would be cold and the crowd noisy for

to play. Montana didn't know if the

Van Horne thinks Chicago's

Sunday's game at Soldier Field.

"For not only the defense, but the offense as well, I think home-field advantage is always something where the fans have the opportunity to get into it and create emotion and enthusiasm that can really excite everybody," linebacker Mike Singletary said.

"A lot of times it hasn't been too loud in Soldier Field. I hope it will be," center Jay Hilgen-

berg. The All-Pro center said he thinks the noisy Metrodome in Minneapolis was the difference in the Bears' 28-27 loss to the Vikings at the end of the regular season.

"That's what cost us the game in Minnesota, the crowd noise. There's no question we would have beaten them if it wasn't for that," Hilgenberg said.

Montana said he remembers that the Soldier Field crowd was noisy on Oct. 24 when the Bears beat the 49ers 10-9.

"Once we jumped offsides on an audible because of the noise and we decided not to call any more audibles," he said.

weather, if cold enough, could

### Cowboy, yet By DENNE H. FREEMAN

Aikman not a

**AP Sports Writer** 

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys won't play their Troy Aikman cards until February.

Dallas coach Tom Landry said on Wednesday that the Cowboys won't decide until February whether they will make UCLA's Aikman the No. 1 pick in the NFL

Aikman quarterbacked the Bruins to a 17-3 victory over Arkansas Monday in the Cotton Bowl and was named the most valuable offensive player of the

Landry watched on television while celebrating the New Year's holiday with his family.

"I thought Troy did a good job of taking what Arkansas gave him," Landry said. "They took away the deep pass so he threw the short passes well. He did a good job of directing the team. UCLA had a good running game and that helped.'

Landry visited Aikman during UCLA's workouts at Texas Stadium. But the Dallas coach wouldn't say Aikman was a Cowboy, yet.

"People say it would be a mistake to take him now without exploring all the possibilities of having a first choice," Landry said "Troy is a definite prospect but we ought to look overall into what is best for the team.'

Landry said, "We've got plenty of time to make the pick. We have to finish off some things from last season this month. Then we have the (workout) combines in February.

"I'd say we should be ready to make a decision around then. Once we do make our choice and if it is Troy then we'd like to sign him as soon as we could to get him into quarterback school.

On another matter, Landry said nothing was imminent on possible changes in his assistant coaching staff.

"The No. 1 priority right now is to see who the new owner will be," Landry said. "We'd like to wait and see what the owners nave to say.

Aikman will play in the Aloha Bowl and the Japan Bowl, then will pick an agent.

The Cowboys will have a representative, probably chief scout Gil Brandt, at each one of those

Landry will attend a workout combine in Indianapolis in February to watch Aikman.

### Report says Jones may jump to 'Horns

AUSTIN (AP) — Houston Oilers assistant June Jones has expressed interest in becoming the offensive coordinator at Texas, the Austin American-Statesman re-

The newspaper said Thursday three sources close to the program spoke of Jones' interest in the job.

Jones, who has served as the quarterbacks coach of the Oilers for the last two seasons, has made it known through Longhorns' supporters he would discuss such an opening, the news-

Jones declined to talk about the possibility, the American-Statesman said, but he added he also has looked into jobs with "three or four" National Football League teams.

paper said.

## Lady Harvesters resume District 1-4A season

By L.D. STRATE **Sports Editor** 

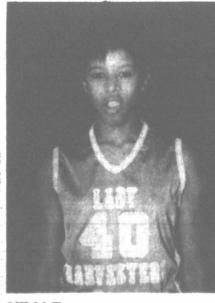
After three consecutive victories in the Slaton Tournament, Pampa's Lady Harvesters hope to keep that streak going right into District 1-4A action.

"The girls did a real fine job in the last three games," said Pampa coach Albert Nichols. "We're hoping those victories will help get us started in district again." The Lady Harvesters starting

off strong in district play by winning their first two games. Going into the holiday break, however, the Pampa girls lost four straight, including three league outings.

"If we can win our next two games (Dunbar on Friday and Frenship on Saturday), I feel like we're going to be in pretty good shape. "We're going to have to have some help to get into the playoffs and I think we'll see that," Nichols said. "That's because of the balance in this district with the excepion of that number one team," Nichols said, referring to three-time defending

state champion Levelland. After an opening round loss to Motley County 65-54 in the Slaton Tournament, the Lady Harves-



Nikki Ryan

ters came back to defeat Post 62-42. Perryton 55-53 and then Floydada 69-48 for the consolation trophy.

"We didn't play good against Motley County, but we came back and blew Post away. We made a great comeback against Perryton," Nichols said. "We were down by as many as 12 points in the fourth quarter. Floydada had some real quick players, but not much height. We were able to overpower them on the boards."

Yolanda Brown, 5-11 senior, hit for 99 points in four tournament games, including 34 against Floydada. Nikki Ryan, Diane Wood and Tara Hamby also provided some scoring punch. Ryan, a 5-9 freshmen, finished with 60 points and tossed in 21 against Perryton. She also led Pampa in rebounding for the four games. "That's pretty impressive for a

freshmen to come in and lead the whole team in rebounding in a tournament," Nichols said. 'She's a very aggressive player.

Hamby, a 5-8 junior, came through with 15 points, her best scoring effort of the season in the consolation finals. Wood, a 6-0 senior, hit for 14 points against Post and hit two foul shots in the closing seconds when Pampa rallied to beat Perryton.

Dunbar girls, winless at 0-17 this season, isn't expected to present much of a problem for the Lady Harvesters. "This is probably as weak as

I've ever seen Dunbar," Nichols said. "They don't handle the ball well and we'll use our press to try and put them away early." The girls' game is scheduled to

start at 6:30 p.m. Friday night in

McNeely Fieldhouse.

Frenship, Pampa's opponent Saturday night, will be much tougher, Nichols said.

"We're going to come out with a pressing man-to-man against them and try and stop their threepoint shots," Nichols said. "They really like to put it up from out-

Frenship's top long-range shooter is 5-3 Rosie Llanas, who is averaging around 13 points per game

Individual statistics for the Lady Harvesters through 16 games are listed below: Scoring: Yolanda Brown, 335

(21.0 ppg); Nikki Ryan, 157 (10.0 ppg); Diane Wood, 94 (6.0 ppg); Christa West, 71 (4.4 ppg); Tara Hamby, 67 (4.2 ppg); Crystal Cook, 45 (2.8 ppg); Sheila Reed, 38 (2.4 ppg); Lisa Johnson, 14 (.88 ppg); Cleta Calloway, 2 (.29 ppg). Rebounding: Yolanda Brown, 178 (11.1 rpg); Nikki Ryan, 134 (8.4 rpg); Diane Wood, 82 (5.1 rpg); Tara Hamby, 41 (2.6 rpg); Sheila Reed, 36 (2.3 rpg); Lisa Johnson, 24 (1.5 rpg) Christa West, 21 (1.3 rpg); Crystal Cook, 5 (.3 rpg); Cleta Calloway, 4 (.57 rpg).

Steals: Yolanda Brown, 76; Diane Wood, 45; Christa West, 34; Crystal Cook, 26; Nikki Ryan, 25; Tara Hamby, 22; Sheila Reed, 11;

Lisa Johnson, 8; Cleta Calloway.

Assists: Christa West, 56; Diane Wood, 48; Tara Hamby, 44; Yolanda Brown, 21; Crystal Cook, 20; Sheila Reed, 15; Cleta Calloway, 4; Lisa Johnson, 3; Nikki Ryan, 2.

Field goal percentage: Yolanda Brown, 53 percent (146 of 275); Nikki Ryan, 50 percent (71 of 141): Diane Wood, 44 percent (38 of 87); Crystal Cook, 44 percent (20 of 45); Christa West, 44 percent (28 of 63); Lisa Johnson, 38 percent (6 of 16); Tara Hamby, 34 percent (25 of 73); Sheila Reed, 26 percent (15 of 58); Cleta Calloway, 17 percent (1 of 6).

Free throw percentage: Sheila Reed, 73 percent (8 of 11); Christa West, 68 percent (15 of 22); Tara Hamby, 67 percent (8 of 12); Diane Wood, 62 percent (18 of 29); Yolanda Brown, 53 percent (34 of 64); Nikki Ryan, 50 percent (15 of 30); Crystal Cook, 45 percent (5 of 11); Lisa Johnson, 40 percent (2 of 5); Cleta Calloway, .000 (0 of 1). Three-point percentage: Tara Hamby, 75 percent (3 of 4); Yolanda Brown, 20 percent (3 of 15); Christa West, .000 (0 of 4); Sheila Reed, .000 (0 of 4); Nikki Reed, .000 (0 of 2).



Arkansas' Keith Wilson (12) tries to keep the ball away from Texas Tech's Todd Duncan in Wednesday night's SWC opener.

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## Knicks rally past Nets

By BOB GREENE **AP Sports Writer** 

Rick Pitino might be an NBA coach, but it was baseball he talked about.

"We had to pitch a shutout in the fourth and we did it," the New York Knicks' coach said

after his team staged its second straight come-frombehind victory in as many nights. With a little more than nine

minutes left in the fourth quarter, the Knicks were 17 points behind the New Jersey Nets, riding a five-game road losing streak and playing in a building in which they had lost eight straight games, dating back to "The press gave us a big lift.

We made up a lot of points in a short period of time." Pitino said. "I had my doubts last night, but I thought we could come back and do it tonight. Every time we needed a play in that run, we made it.

Trent Tucker's 3-point shot capped a 20-0 fourth-quarter spurt that boosted the Knicks past the Nets 105-96 Wednesday night as New York held its cross-river rival scoreless for a stretch of 7:04

We knew they were going to make a run and we needed to accept the challenge," New

Jersey's Roy Hinson said. "They started to press and we

didn't handle it." "The bottom line was stopping them when we had to. Knicks guard Mark Jackson said. "The offense kind of took care of itself. I wasn't really aware of a streak. I just knew we were stopping them.

Elsewhere, it was Phoenix 106, Boston 104; Washington 109, Charlotte 86; Indiana 116. Atlanta 113; Milwaukee 110, the Los Angeles Clippers 102; the Los Angeles Lakers 133, Portland 120, and Golden State 109, Miami 100.

The Nets, who had led since the end of the first quarter, scored the first seven points of the final period, taking an 87-70 lead on a three-point play by Dennis Hopson with 9:27 to go.

Then came the Knicks, who just the night before had rallied from a 15-point deficit to defeat Boston.

Patrick Ewing led New York with 30 points, while Jackson had 21, including eight in the final quarter in which the Knicks outscored the Nets 35-

Hinson topped New Jersey with 18 points.

Suns 106, Celtics 104 Led by Tom Chambers, Phoenix outscored Boston 10-3 in the last 21/2 minutes.

## Horns rout Baylor WHITE Deer WHITE Deer PRINTED PRINTE as SWC opens play

By The Associated Press

Texas coach Tom Penders praised the play of Travis Mays as the Longhorns opened Southwest Conference basketball competition with a blowout victory over the Baylor Bears.

Mays scored 27 points to lead the high-scoring Longhorns to a 105-85 victory oyer Baylor Wednesday night.

In other conference openers, Houston whipped Rice, 90-75, Arkansas defeated Texas Tech, 69-62 and Texas Christian beat Texas A&M, 58-51. In the only non-conference game, Southern Methodist defeated North Texas,

"I thought Travis played a great 40 minutes tonight," Penders said. "He played with great intensity on both ends and it just carried over tonight."

The game was played in front of 10,284 fans and is the only the second time in three years they have drawn over 10,000. The Longhorns averaged just under 4,000 fans a game last season under fired coach Bob Weltlich.

Texas, 6-0 at home, is averaging 7,633 so far this season. In addition to the 27 points by Mays,

Alvin Heggs added 24 points for Texas. It was the sixth time this year that the Longhorns have broken the 100point barrier and the first time in SWC play since 1982.

Mays, a junior, became the eighth Longhorn in history to go over 1,000 points in a career. He takes over the conference scoring lead from teammate Lance Blanks who hit for his average of 20 points.

Donnell Hayden led the Bears with 21 points.

Craig Upchurch scored a careerhigh 30 points to lead the Houston Cougars to a 90-75 victory over Rice. Houston, 8-4 this season, has a 35-2 series record against Rice, which fell

Rice made 12 three-point shots, Thompson's 20 points.

tying a conference record set originally by Houston. Dana Hardy had five a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday three-pointers and Dave Mlachnik through Saturday. Closed three while scoring 18 and 11 points SQUARE House Museum: respectively.

Upchurch, who hit 12 of 14 shots, said he felt he wouldn't have trouble scor- HUTCHINSON County

Freshman Todd Day hit four days except Tuesday, w-5 p.m. straight free throws in the final 1:04 Sunday. and classmate Oliver Miller scored 14 second-half points as Arkansas beat Texas Tech 69-62.

Texas Tech, 4-7, pulled to within a point on a Todd Duncan 3-point field MARY Kay Cosmetics, free facials. Supplies and deliveries. goal with 6:56 left in the game. Arkan-Call Dorothy Vaughn, 665-5117. sas, 7-2, then ran off 5 unanswered MARY KAY Cosmetics, free fapoints and put on an 11-3 scoring run to cials. Supplies, deliveries. Call Theda Wallin, 665-8336, 665-3830. pull away for good at 63-54.

Texas Tech turned the ball over 22 times, while Arkansas turned it over Cosmetics and SkinCare. Free only five times.

Jerry Mason combined for 33 points. Tech connected on eight of 14 3- for victims 24 hours a day. 669-pointers, including four of four by 1788. Tralee Crisis Center.

"I was really pleased with Oliver AA and Al Anon meets Tuesday Miller,'' Arkansas coach Nolan and Saturday, 8 pm. 1600 W Richardson said. "He not only scored McCullough. 665-3317, 665-3192. 18 points, but found other people

open. Tech Coach Gerald Myers said Milday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8 p.m. Monday thru Saturday 12 noon. Call 665-9104. ler was the difference in the game. "We just couldn't handle him,

the scoring for them in the second half ment. FDA approved, money and we didn't have anyone to control back guarantee. Contains NutriSweet. It tastes good and its good for you. Call 665-4777, 665-Craig Sibley scored 23 points, pulled 60091

down six rebounds and blocked five shots to lead Texas Christian past 5 Special Notices Texas A&M 58-51.

John Lewis added 14 and Rich Antee CASH loan on guns, jewelry, 7 for the Horned Frogs, who broke a 512 S. Cuyler. 669-2990. three-game losing streak and improved to 8-5. Texas A&M, suffering its KIRBY Service Center. Repair fourth straight loss, fell to 7-6.

The Aggies were led by Donald 2990.

## Tournament of Champions tees off PGA Tour slate

**By BOB GREEN AP Golf Writer** 

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Sandy Lyle and Curtis Strange hold hopes rather than expectations for success in the to get back at it," he said. **Tournament of Champions.** 

fore teeing off today in the kickoff this season. event on the PGA Tour schedule.

"I feel good on the golf course, but I don't feel like I'm playing particularly well right now," said Strange, who edged out Lyle for 1988 Player of the Year honors in the final event of the season.

"I really don't expect much this week," Lyle said. "I just want to try to get the concentration back, try to get it in the red numbers and take it from

Despite the disclaimers, the two men who dominated world golf last year rank as the players to beat in the exclusive gathering of winners only from the 1988 tour.

Strange won four times last year. including the U.S. Open and was the first to go over \$1 million in official single-season earnings on the American tour.

Lyle, a Scot, won the Masters and two other American tournaments and had more than \$1 million in worldwide

"I was very tired at the end of the year; could hardly put one foot in front of the other," the globe-trotting Lyle

weeks, ate a lot of Christmas pudding, dish supper looked after of my pub (in England), 10 Lost and Found collected a lot of awards. "Now I'm eager to play again; keen REWARD: Blonde, female Cocker Spaniel. 669-7366 or 669

Strange had a more modest break, "I'm not really rusty, but I'm not less than two weeks, between the end real sharp either," Strange said be- of his 1988 campaign and the start of REWARD. White Sai

"I'm trying to be careful not to over- 665-7019. do," he said. "I played until the middle of December, but most of the time it 14 Business Services was play one and take a week off.

"I'm not really rusty, just not real sharp. But that can change. That can we remove any and all odors, change quickly," he said. "I'd like to auto, home, fire etc...no chemicals, no perfumes, quick and inhave a good tournament, get off to a expensive. 665-0425, 669-3848.

Some other leading contenders in pondence, Schoolpapers, Mailthe 32-man field chasing a \$135,000 SOS ASSOCIATES, 883-2911, first prize are Ben Crenshaw and White Deer. Mark Calcavecchia, both of whom TYPING: Resumes, manuplayed externely well at the end of last scripts, business documents, year, Austalian Greg Norman and etc. Word Source. 665-4901. PGA champion Jeff Sluman, one of 11 14b Appliance Repair making his first start in this event.

British Open champion Seve Balles- WASHERS, Dryers, disteros of Spain is not competing. Larry Gary Stevens 669-7956. Nelson withdrew with an ankle injury.

In a separate but simultaneous competition for winners from the Seniors Tour, Arnold Palmers head a 14-man field that also includes defending Call for Estimate. champion Dave Hill.

ESPN will provide national television coverage of play today and Friday. ABC will cover the final two rounds Saturday and Sunday.

## Bradshaw heads list of hall of fame finalists Cowboys stake future on Aikman By RUSTY MILLER

**AP Sports Writer** 

CANTON, Ohio — Terry Bradshaw, who quarterbacked the Pittsburgh Steelers to four Super Bowl victories, heads a list of 15 finalists for induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Bradshaw, twice named as the most valuable player in the Super Bowl, was joined on the list by Mel Blount, a cornerback for the Steelers from 1970 through 1983, and wide receiver Lynn Swann, one of Bradshaw's favorite targets for nine seasons.

Joining the three former Steelers are Kansas City Chiefs defensive tackle Buck Buchanan; Al Davis, former coach and current managing general partner of the Los Angeles and Oakland Raiders; Minnesota Vikings defensive end Carl Eller: former Vikings coach Bud Grant; Miami Dolphins quarterback Bob Griese; linebacker Ted Hendricks, who played for the **Baltimore Colts, Green Bay Packers** and Raiders; Packers defensive tackle Henry Jordan; Browns running back Leroy Kelly: Los Angeles Rams offensive guard Tom Mack; Baltimore Colts tight end John Mackey Raiders offensive tackle Art Shell, and Packers safety Willie Wood.

Bradshaw, Blount and Hendricks are eligible for election for the first

Two members of Pittsburgh's Steel Curtain" defense entered the Hall of Fame the last two years, line-

Bradshaw, who played at Louisiana Tech, spent all 14 of his pro seasons with the Steelers. The first player chosen in the 1970 NFL draft, he completed 2,025 of 3,901 passes for 27,989 yards and 212 touchdowns. He also ran ADDITIONS, Remodeling, roof for 32 touchdowns. Bradshaw, MVP of the 1979 and 1980 Super Bowls, holds Super Bowl records with 932 yards passing and nine touchdown passes. He also played in six AFC cham- al references. Ray Hunter, 665pionship games and two Pro Bowls.

Blount missed only one game in 14 HOME repairs. Remodeling, roofing. Work guaranteed. Reseasons, led the NFL in interceptions ferences. Gary Winton. 669-6695. in 1975 with 11 and finished his career with 57, seventh all-time. He recovered 13 fumbles, returning two for touchdowns. He played in six conference title games, five Pro Bowls and LAND Construction. Cabinets, the four Steelers' victories in the Super Call Sandy Land, 665-6860.

Swann caught 336 passes for 5,462 yards and 51 touchdowns, and was including an deramic tile work.

MVP of the 1976 Super Bowl with four

Traceptions for 161 words including a receptions for 161 yards, including a 64-yard catch for the game-winning touchdown. He holds Super Bowl re- 14e Corpet Service cords with 16 catches for 364 yards. He

era candidates. Jordan was recommended by the old-timers committee. 14h General Service

The names of the seven remaining candidates will be announced Jan. 21 by the selection committee after a pre-Super Bowl meeting. The 1989 class HANDY Jim general repair man Joe Greene and linebacker Jack will be announced Jan. 24, with enshrinement Aug. 5.

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Although the Dallas Cowboys took their own sweet time about it. the courtship is finally on - for better or worse. UCLA quarterback Troy Aik-

man will soon enter the NFL's land of milk and honey. That much is certain. The only remaining question is whether he will do it under the guiding hands of Tom Landry, Gil Brandt and Tex Schramm. Last week's pre-Cotton Bowl

the first, squeamish Aikman-Cowboys date. Ah, young love. As always, the press was a willing matchmaker. By all accounts, one would assume Aikman had been whisked to Dallas courtesy of the Cowboys. although the 'Pokes were con-

siderate enough to have him on

the field in time to dump off 19

coverage was ripe with images of

passes and send the Hogs back to Fayetteville. Troy at last grew weary of Aikmania, and the result was a less than earth-shattering performance. He completed a competent 19 of 27 passes, but flashy he

Nonetheless, the Cowboys have staked their future on the homegrown boy from Henryetta, Okla. He will drag the cellar-bound (and gagged) Dallas club out of the dungeon, kicking and screaming if that be the case.

### In Stride

By Sonny Bohanan



And it most likely will be, at least for the likes of Steve Pelluer and Kevin Sweeney, who have certainly made the connection by now. A passing grade for Aikman translates into a failing grade for the incumbents.

But most incumbents have one advantage over the incoming golden boys - they understand the love-hate relationship between fans and quarterbacks. And here, Pelluer probably has one thought that will eventually strike Aikman with the subtlety of a 16-

pound sledge. The honeymoon wears off. Take a look at Buffalo quarterback Jim Kelly. In only three years he has led the Bills from obscurity to Super Bowl contender, and he has nothing but complaints from Buffalo fans to show for it. Or take a gander at any Dallas quarterback since Roger Staubach.

If Aikman is lucky, the infatuation will last awhile. But the day will come when the Cowboys trail by six with 10 seconds on the clock, and he will unload a pass, intercepted by the Pittsburgh Steelers. At that moment, announcer

Dallas scribe and fan will let ring a cry of unanimous betrayal: "Jerk the bum!" Kevin Sweeney found this out against the Vikings. Pelluer disc-

overed it all season long. And

Dale Hansen and each and every

Danny White... well, never mind. So, Troy, enjoy the honeymoon while it lasts. And here's hoping you really are the next Roger Staubach. You can take comfort in the fact that, after the year the Cowboys had, there's nowhere to go but ever upward anyway.

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## Memorial service held for crash

LOCKERBIE, Scotland (AP) -Packed into a church, clustered among tombstones or seated in overflow halls, relatives and townspeople wept and prayed Wednesday for the dead of bombed Flight 103 as a minister urged them to turn their thoughts away from vengeance.

Lockerbie, the town where most of the Pan Am Boeing 747 crashed after being blown apart by a bomb, came to a standstill for the 40-minute service for the 259 people killed aboard the plane and the 11 residents who died on the ground.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, in black coat and hat, and her husband Denis joined the other mourners, who packed into Dryfesdale Parish Church, clustered among nearby tombstones or sat in crowded hallways.

The local people, dignitaries, relatives and Pan Am staff members flown in by the airline for the service sang hymns and prayed.

Afterward, the 63-year-old prime minister, who visited the crash site the morning after the disaster, met privately with the relatives in a school.

Investigators have concluded a bomb blew up the plane, and suspicions have focused on Middle Eastern terrorists, prompting Mrs. Thatcher to advise the United States publicly against "eye for an eye" retaliation.

The Right Rev. James Whyte. moderator of the Church of Scotland, echoed that advice.

"Justice, yes. Retaliation, no," he told the congregation from the church's marble pulpit.

"We may be tempted, indeed urged by some, to flex our muscles in response, to show that we are men," Whyte said.

"To show that we are what? To show that we are prepared to let more young and more innocent die, to let more rescue workers labor in more wreckage to find the grisly proof, not of our virility, but of our inhumanity.

"That is what retaliation means. I, for one, will have none of it, and I hope you will not either.'

The simple, dignified service was televised live to the nation, and to mourners gathered in a local cinema, community hall and church.

Many preferred to stand in the chilly rain among the old granite tombstones outside the church. huddled under umbrellas, dressed in windbreakers and cloth

The lights of the austere, Presbyterian church shone brightly into the gathering afternoon gloom, and sheep grazed in a field nearby. The Union Jack flew at

half-staff. Inside the 91-year-old sandstone church, a man cradled his wife's head as they sang a hymn, and a baby slept on its father's shoulder.

For the first time in two weeks. the skies of Lockerbie were silent, empty of the helicopters that have led a intensive search for wreckage and bodies over 150 square miles of countryside. Outside the town hall which has become a makeshift mortuary, wreaths lined the sidewalk, and

more bouquets were laid outside the church. Pan Am said it flew several hundred employees and relatives

of victims to Lockerbie, including Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett. Many employees wore the airline uniform at the service. Neil Kinnock, leader of the opposition Labor Party, also attended, and U.S. Ambassador

Charles H. Price II read one of

the lessons, from the Gospel

according to St. John. Lockerbie's three churches, each of which lost parishioners in Britain's worst air disaster, joined together for the memorial.

## Mexico, Venezuela to combat falling oil prices

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Venezuelan President-elect Carlos Andres Perez says he and President Carlos Salinas de Gortari of Mexico have agreed to combat falling oil prices and the massive foreign debts severely affecting their nation's economies.

"Our countries have suffered the buffeting of the fall in (oil) prices," Perez told a news conference after he met with Salinas during a one-day visit to Mexico Wednesday.

But he said that he shared with the new Mexican president "optimism about the possibilities of a stabilization of the petroleum market soon.

Perez, who will be inaugurated Feb. 2, said tentative steps toward strengthening the oil market could be made during a meeting of representatives from non-OPEC governments scheduled for late January in London.

Venezuela is a founding member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, the 13-nation price-fixing cartel that in the past was unable to limit its members' oil exports to bolster

Perez said he was optimistic OPEC would be able to keep prices from falling further.

Mexico, the world's sixth largest oil producer, is not a member of OPEC but closely follows the cartel's pricing and production guidelines. About half the oil that Pemex, the Mexican state petroleum monopoly, sells abroad goes to the United States.

He also said he and Salinas discussed the foreign debt, which he said acted like "a vise on the economy" of Venezuela. He said the two leaders agreed to continue discussions on the debt with other Latin American heads of state and announced he planned to visit President Jose Sarney of Brazil later this week.

"We seek agreement among Latin American countries to find reasonable solutions with our creditors," Perez declared earlier Wednesday

He said he believed the United States, under President-elect George Bush, could help Latin America overcome its foreign recently with Bush

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"We will have the opportunity for great (American) cooperation with our countries in Latin America, great opportunities for development," said Perez, who met



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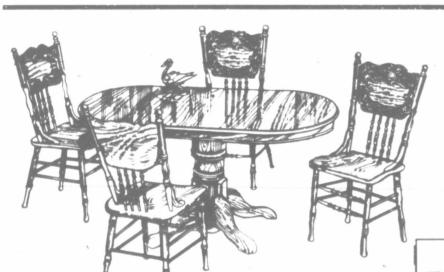


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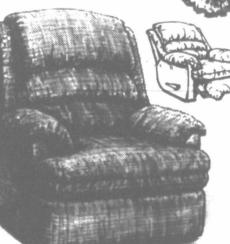
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