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Baker could be confirmed soon for post

WASHINGTON (AP) — James A. Baker III could be confirmed as secretary of state as early as next week, following assurances of a strong endorsement from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The committee was prepared today to recommend the confirmation of Baker, former treasury secretary under President Reagan and President-elect Bush's choice to run the State Department.

The full Senate will act on the nomination later, probably next Wednesday.

Today's scheduled committee vote followed two days of hearings in which Baker fielded questions on problem areas around the world and dealt comfortably with foreign policy issues ranging from the momentous to the obscure.

Virtually every member of the committee praised Baker's performance, applauded his appointment by Bush and said his confirmation was assured.

"I'm sure the vote will be unanimous," said Chairman Claiborne Pell, D-R.I.

"I think without any question you will be unanimously endorsed by this committee and by the full Senate in the days ahead," said Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif.

"He is very skillful, as he should be, and I'm impressed," said Sen. Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., expressing a view many other committee members said they shared.

On Wednesday, the second of two days of testimony, Baker said the United States and the Soviet Union are near agreement on procedures to verify compliance with two long-pending nuclear test ban treaties.

Baker said he understands that verification problems with the 1976 Peaceful Nuclear Explosions Treaty are "completely resolved." He said similar problems with the 1974 nuclear test ban treaty establishing a limit of 150 kilotons on underground tests are "close to being resolved."

He said both pacts will be submitted to the Senate for ratification but offered no timetable.

Baker also suggested that the new Bush administration may raise quotas for refugees because of the increasing numbers of people wanting to come to the United States from the Soviet Union and Southeast Asia.

"We will have to look at the possibility of increasing numbers and of increasing dollars" for the refugee program, Baker said.

Hall of Famers



The Temptations— from left, Otis Williams, David Ruffin, Melvin Franklin, Eddie Kendricks and Dennis Williams — sing after their induction Wednesday night into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in a New York program. They were among five inductees, including Dion, Otis Redding, the Rolling Stones and Stevie Wonder, named to the Hall of Fame at Cleveland, Ohio.

Garlic, onions cut cancer risk

WASHINGTON (AP) — Garlic and onions can put a crimp in your social life, but they also could provide unexpected protection against cancer, according to a study published by the National Cancer Institute.

The study compared foods eaten by stomach cancer victims with the diet of healthy people in Linqu, China. Researchers found that the strong-smelling vegetables "can significantly reduce the risk of stomach cancer."

Published this week in the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*, the study says researchers used questionnaires to compare the dietary habits of 685 patients with stomach cancer with those of 1,131 other people, matched by age, gender, occupation and education, who had no diagnosed cancer.

People in the control, or cancer-free, group each year consumed at least 25 and sometimes more than 50 pounds of allium vegetables, a genus which includes onions, garlic, leeks, chives, ramps and scallions.

The cancer patients generally ate less than 25 pounds of the vegetables.

The study also found that the risk of stomach cancer declined as the habitual consumption of such vegetables increased. In other words, the more onions and garlic you eat over a lifetime, the less your chances of stomach cancer.

"Persons in Linqu tended to be exposed to mild doses of allium vegetables over long periods, likely beginning in childhood," the study said. "Our study suggests that all or part of such exposure has resulted in a reduction in stomach cancer risk starting at an early age ... and continuing throughout life."

The anti-cancer effects of onion-like root vegetables have been suggested in studies dating back to the 1950s. A 1979 study, for instance, found a reduced

amount of stomach cancer among residents of a Georgia county famous for growing vidalia onions. A study in Greece showed that gastric cancer patients usually ate fewer fresh vegetables, including onions, than those who were cancer-free.

"Several experimental studies have suggested that compounds in allium vegetables can protect against cancer in laboratory animals," the *NCI Journal* study said. It said a variety of studies have shown that chemical compounds extracted from onions and garlic tend to reduce, alter or prevent cancer in laboratory rats, mice and hamsters.

But the study said the precise anti-cancer element in allium vegetables has not been pinpointed.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer prices rose 4.4 percent in 1988, the same as a year earlier, as hefty, drought-induced increases for groceries offset stable energy prices, the government said today.

Worry about inflationary pressures preoccupied many economists last year, but that pressure has not produced an acceleration in inflation thus far.

The 4.4 percent gain in the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index matched the 1987 increase, which was the highest since 1981 but was four times the 1.1 percent rate in 1986, a 25-year low.

A 0.3 percent rise in the index in December, which followed a 0.3 percent November increase, helped inflation finish the year at a moderate pace.

The summer drought, which shriveled crops and seared pastures, pushed food prices for the year up 5.2 percent, the steepest rise since 1980.

Poultry and egg prices jumped 17.9 percent and 16.5 percent, respectively, because of the drought.

On the other hand, beef and pork prices, which rose for the first six months of the year, fell during the second half as farmers

sent more animals to slaughter as a way of avoiding high feed costs.

Energy for the year rose only a slight 0.5 percent following an 8.2 percent jump in 1987. Still, they were far below levels before the 1986 oil glut, when energy prices plummeted 19.7 percent.

Fuel oil prices jumped 2.8 percent in December after falling for six consecutive months. Despite the December advance, the price was 6.3 percent below that of a year earlier. Electricity charges rose 1.1 percent for the year, while natural gas was unchanged.

Gasoline prices were 1.1 percent lower than a year ago. Price increases for new and used cars also were moderate, 2.1 percent and 3.4 percent, respectively. However, the prices of auto insurance and of financing car purchases took steep jumps of 8.4 percent and 8.3 percent, respectively.

The cost of medical care, up 6.9 percent, also rose faster than the general inflation rate last year.

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Chamber

As its name suggests, this department's primary concern is the development and maintenance of the operations of the Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce. It may be asked to oversee other activities as needed.

Mike Kessy, director
This division is charged with overseeing several of the main information source committees of the chamber. These areas affect communications with the membership, citizens of this area and possible industrial interests.

Membership Meeting Committee
This committee is given the important task of holding several membership luncheons throughout the year.

Citizen of the Year Committee
This committee will have the task of choosing a citizen of the year and coordinating the presentation through an Annual Meeting.

Newsletter Committee
This committee is probably the most important communication tool that the chamber possesses

in providing a newsletter to keep the membership informed of chamber activities and work. In return, it also has a great impact on the membership and the community as a whole.

Membership Development Division
Dena Cornutt, director
The development and expansion of the chamber's membership base is the primary mission of this division. This includes the sale of new memberships and the reevaluation of some of the chamber's present investments.

It is also concerned with the collection of slow accounts, possible delivery of new member packages, conducting new member orientation programs and reviewing the investments of present members.

New Member Orientation Committee
This committee has the strategic task of orienting new members established from the monthly membership efforts. By having an effective orientation program, we may bring new members into the chamber and help them become immediately active.

Membership Investment Review Committee
As time passes, businesses will

have a tendency to grow. As this is done, they will fall into different ratings in the membership investment guide. This committee's responsibility is to look at each member and the guide to see that they remain current in their respective positions.

Sports and Recreation Division
Ken Rheams, director
This division will focus on the promotion of local and area sports and recreation related activities.

Promotion Committee
This committee's responsibilities lie in promoting the sports and recreation of Pampa and Gray County.

Country Fair Committee
Jim Morris, chairman
The Country Fair Committee has the responsibility of planning and carrying out the annual Country Fair, which is the largest fund-raising activity for the chamber during the year. Various committees meet beginning in April of each year to plan the event, which is held each October.

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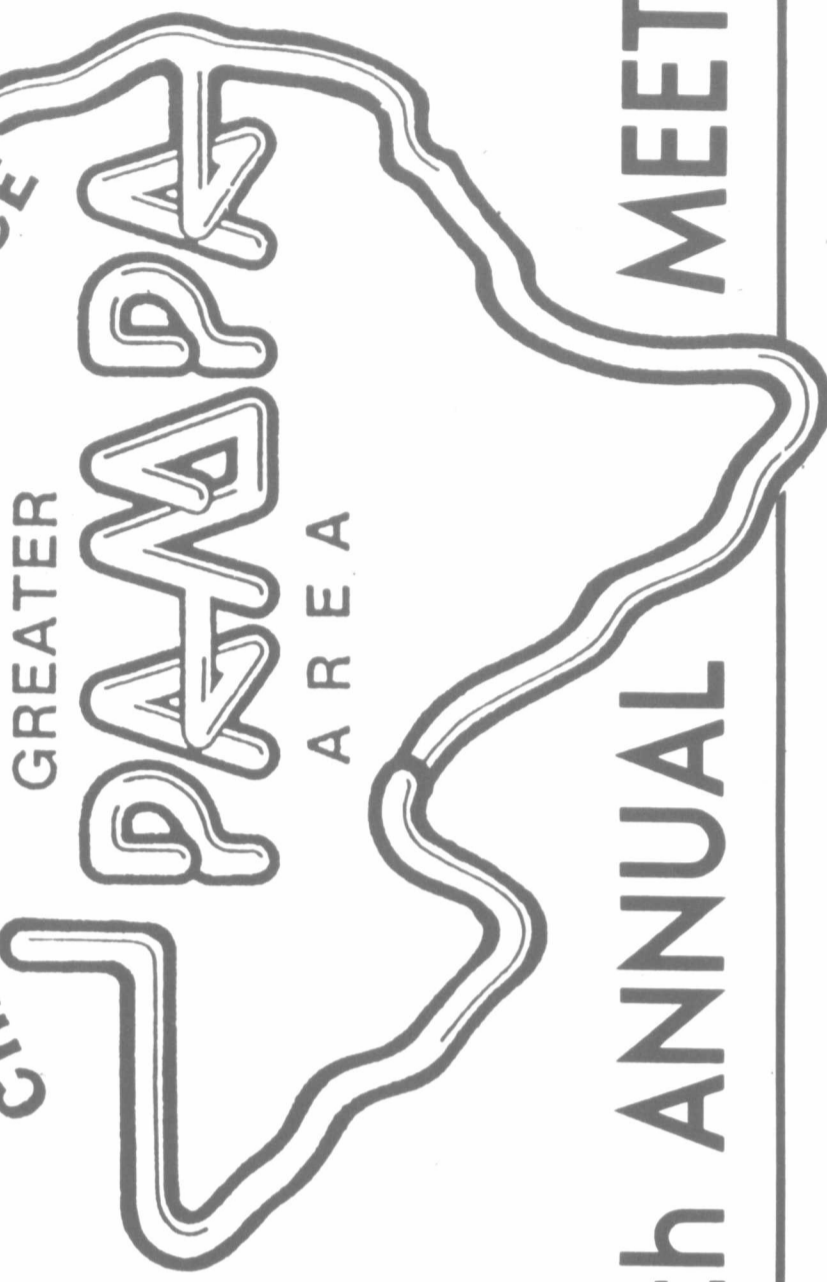
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Chamber undertakes new economic development programs

One of the biggest changes occurring in the Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce in the past year has been a greater involvement in actively promoting Pampa as a home for new industry and businesses.

In conjunction with the city of Pampa and the Pampa Industrial Foundation, the chamber is an active participant in TEXCEL — Texas Cities for Economic Leadership — a state-sponsored program to encourage cities to undertake strong local economic development plans.

In Pampa, the aim of the economic development program is to create jobs and wealth for the citizens of Pampa, Gray County and the general area, according to Bruce Barton, chamber executive vice president.

Barton said the chamber has undertaken four major methods to achieve this goal: (1) establishing a first class industrial development program; (2) establishing a retail promotion program; (3) investigating opportunities for promoting conventions and tourism; and (4) encouraging more involvement in the international trade area.

"Under our industrial development program, we are endeavoring to establish a first class industrial development program for Pampa and this area," he said.

One of the means toward this is the creating of materials and information needed to help develop prospects, Barton said.

In the past year, the chamber has achieved this goal by collecting information on existing industry and business, on the geographic and climatic aspects of the area, on the available resources, on labor and work force potential, and on other areas that prospects might need to know, such as educational facilities, quality of life areas, and civic and community service opportunities.

The chamber then developed materials to use in contacting potential prospects who might be interested in locating in the Pampa area, including letters, visual attention-getters and an industrial videotape entitled *Pampa — The Industrial Touch*.

The chamber then began its efforts to actively develop industry and business prospects through its local promotional programs. These include a direct-mail program which targeted 6,000 of the largest plastics and textiles industries in the United States, conducted through a "piggyback" program with Southwestern Public Service Co.

By combining efforts, SPS seeks first to sell the Panhandle to potential prospects, and then Pampa seeks to sell itself through the city's own promotional efforts and follow-ups.

"We received an overwhelming response of over 300 percent more than we expected, with 102 replies," Barton said. Of these, several bona fide prospects have developed from the program and have put Pampa in their three-

five-year planning cycles for possible new facilities.

The chamber also has been working to develop industrial allies.

"We have developed an excellent working rapport with industrial consultants from both the Texas Department of Commerce and Southwestern Public Service," Barton said. "This has resulted in, for the first time in many years, our receiving direct referral on prospects from both of these groups."

"Since a little over a year ago we seldom had the opportunity to send out community information on Pampa, during the month of December we have forwarded 12 community profiles to prospective industries."

The program has developed to this point over the last year and should continue to expand in the years to come, he said.

Generally the lead time on prospective industries is an average of 24 months. But sometimes, as Barton indicated earlier, the planning time for many prospects is between three and five years.

In another area of making the area more attractive to potential prospects, the chamber has joined other entities in supporting the creation of the Pampa/Gray County Enterprise Zone. Permitted by state legislation passed last year, an enterprise zone provides a means for local governing bodies, working with

the state, to offer financial and other incentives to new and existing businesses and industries located within a "depressed area."

Under the enterprise zone program, the chamber will serve as the lead economic development agency responsible for administering the program. The primary goal is to create permanent jobs and inject capital investment into the local economy.

The zone is supported by the city of Pampa, Gray County, Pampa Independent School District, Pampa Industrial Foundation and Clarendon College, in addition to the chamber.

But the chamber does not ignore its responsibilities to the business and industry already existing in Pampa. The chamber has a number of established committees to work in promoting the local economy (see related article).

"This past year saw the beginning of Pampa's Retail Trade Council and a greatly enhanced Christmas program," Barton said.

Barton noted that there was a very successful Christmas parade, drawing many area visitors to the city.

Also, the chamber — through its Christmas Committee — helped obtain the first addition to the "Christmas Park," located in Coronado Park by the M.K. Brown Auditorium and Coronado Inn. This was the large, 50-foot tall artificial community Christ-

mas tree, funded by the Inez B. and H.E. McCarley Foundation.

There also was the "Taste of Pampa" Food Fair, which was very successful in involving a number of local restaurants and eating establishments. The revived Festival of Trees and Gift Boutique was the most successful ever, with some 60 craftspeople participating, in addition to individuals, groups and merchants showing their decorated Christmas trees and related items.

"We look forward to beginning plans for the coming year with a retail calendar, along with selected citywide promotions," Barton said.

Another economic area the chamber is promoting for area businesses and industries is the extension of their products and

services in the international trade area.

"Many of our local industries are already involved in international trade," he said. "We hope to endeavor to enhance the opportunities in international trade through working closely with the Texas and U.S. Departments of Commerce."

"In addition, we are looking forward to hosting seminars on international trade which will be of interest to local businesses interested in exporting," Barton said.

Though the chamber has been busy in implementing a strong economic development program, it's only the beginning of a long-range program in the chamber's efforts to help improve its community.

Chamber has a new program of action

Under new directions taken by the Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce in the past year, committees and service divisions have been assigned to various departments supervised by members of the Executive Committee.

The former chamber committees have been assigned under divisions, and those divisions under departments, all for better coordination and supervision of the chamber's program of action toward accomplishing its goals in the coming years.

Leading the Executive Committee are Robert Wilson, president, and Jim Morris, president-elect.

Four vice presidents oversee the departments and help better coordinate the activities and events of the various committees and divisions. Serving as vice presidents for 1988-1989 are Don Babcock, Community Development; Lee Waters, Public Affairs; Jerry Noles, Economic Development; and Jerry Norris, Operations.

Following is a summary of the departments, with their committees and divisions and a brief description of their area of responsibilities.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Airport and Aviation Division

David Caldwell, director
The Airport and Aviation Division will conduct programs aimed at improving facilities at the Perry Lefors Field. It also will draw attention to the importance of air transportation to the economic development of this area.

In addition, the division will create a liaison with the Confederate Air Force and the All Texas Air Tour to discover opportunities for the area's involvement to encourage our programs.

Airport Development

The Airport Development Committee will work with Gray County and the airport management in their plans to improve and expand the Gray County airfield (Perry Lefors Field). This may include looking at long-range studies, gathering data

and working the Federal Aviation Administration on federal funding.

Confederate Air Force/All Texas Air Tour

This committee will act as a liaison with the Confederate Air Force and the All Texas Air Tour to discover ways in which the area can be of benefit to their organization and to enhance the economy of our area.

Education Division

Darville Orr, director
It is most important that a sound educational program be continued and enhanced for Pampa. The educational systems — ranging from public schools to Clarendon College and West Texas State University — are of utmost importance to the future development of our area.

Pampa Schools Committee

An integral part of any economic development program is the local education system. This committee's responsibility is to work closely with the local Pampa schools to enhance educational opportunities.

Higher Education Committee
Higher education opportunities are of great importance to a community's quality of life and community development, whether it be a degree-oriented or continuing education program. Many companies utilize local higher education facilities to improve and enhance the abilities of their work force.

This committee's responsibility is to inventory higher education opportunities and to work with the Manufacturers Council in relaying this information to the business entities.

Highways & Transportation Division
Lloyd Waters, director
Transportation has always been a vital part of any growing economy. Pampa presently enjoys an excellent transportation system. Vigilance should be continued to keep the present system intact and to look to future needs.

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Committees have helped chamber have a successful year

The Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce functions because of and through a variety of committees of volunteers working to accomplish the chamber's annual goals.

While all committees are engaged in numerous on-going projects throughout the year, several committees had some major accomplishments in 1988.

Following is a recap of some of the committee work in the past year:

The Aviation-Airport Committee hosted a B-13 fly-in for pilots and their wives in conjunction with the Confederate Air Force. Two committees under this division, Airport Development and Confederate Air Force/All Texas

Air Tour, work to promote aviation in the area.

The Conventions and Tourism Committee supported area conventions such as the Tri-State Seniors golf tournament and the Pampa Army Air Field Reunion meeting.

The 12-member **Retail Board** is divided into three areas — communications, issues and special events. They emphasize assistance to local retail merchants. Issues covered bad check collection, SOS alert system for area merchants and tax payment options. Special events promoted the rodeo, senior golf tournament, and back-to-school and holiday promotions.

The Legislative Affairs Committee hosted several candidate

forums for both school board and city election candidates during the year.

The Agriculture and Livestock Committee held the annual Top O' Texas Junior Stock Show and Sale, encompassing 4-H and agriculture students from an eight-county area in March.

The Newsletter Committee began its second year of publishing the chamber's monthly newsletter, which has a circulation of nearly 850.

The Gold Coats added a membership visitation program with a goal of contacting personally every chamber member during the year, in addition to their regular functions of attending grand openings and greeting dignitar-

ies. The Gold Coats, divided into four teams, alternate the duties quarterly.

The Membership Committee operated on a year-long basis by meeting monthly to review past-due accounts and to recruit new members. The New Member Orientation Committee will host its first quarterly orientation for new members on the work of the chamber organization.

The Christmas Events Committee under the chairmanship of Ruth Ann Sikes had yet another successful Christmas season. A new community tree, purchased with funds donated by the Inez B. and H.E. McCarley Foundation, was erected and will be one of the first pieces in what will become a "Christmas Park."

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Chamber

Street and Highway Development Committee

Over the years, this area has an excellent record for developing its highway system. In the future, the highway transportation funds will probably be spent in a different manner, and the area must keep a well-organized program to meet our future needs.

Public Safety Division

Richard Stowers, director
This division will deal with all aspects of public safety, including law enforcement protection, fire and community safety.

Crime and Fire Prevention Committee

This committee has the task of working with the local Fire Department, Police Department, Department of Public Safety and other entities that deal with the public safety of this area. This is a critical quality of life issue and needs to be very carefully addressed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Economic Development Department, through its divisions, has the mission of strengthening the local economy and implementing projects and programs that will insure its continued future success.

Agriculture Division

Wayne Stribling, director
This division will conduct programs lending assistance to all phases of agriculture and livestock development in the Pampa area. This segment of our economy is very important, and the chamber needs to lend assistance to its development.

Top O' Texas Livestock Show Committee

This committee will continue its excellent work in putting on the annual Top O' Texas Livestock Show and other events involving the youth and the area in agriculture and livestock.

Industrial Development Division

Ron Guard, director
This division will direct its efforts toward programs developing and expanding the industrial, wholesale and distribution base of the city and the area. This can be done through the expansion of existing firms and the attraction of new operations. In addition, it needs to address the formation of a personnel association for the future.

Manufacturers Council

This council is designed to aid the flow of information through discussions for determining the needs for our local manufacturing community. When needs are discovered, the chamber will then address those of which it can be of help.

Industrial Team

The Industrial Team is a highly specialized group of people who meet occasionally to keep up-to-date in their special area of knowledge so they may discuss this knowledge with possible prospective industries.

Incubator Development

This is a vital committee aimed at establishing a program for businesses to have a better chance of being profitable and enhancing their staying power. This is a study committee to examine methods used successfully in incubator programs.

Health Services Division

Linda Haynes, director
This division investigates the

needs of the health services in our area and discovers ways in which to be of assistance. Additionally, it looks at promoting Pampa as a regional health center.

Hospital Services Committee

The most important aspect of a community's quality of life is the available hospital services. This committee's responsibility includes promoting Pampa as a regional health center, along with supporting the hospital in expanding its operations.

Allied Health Services

A vital part of any hospital and medical service is the availability of allied health services. This committee's responsibility is to cooperate closely with the medical community and our local hospital in helping to secure the necessary professionals.

Retail Services Division

Dean Copeland, director
The retail sector of our economy is critical. It is most important that this division work very closely with those businesses to enhance their profits and activities throughout the year.

Retail Board

This board sets the direction for the retail area of the chamber. It is presently elected by retail members to represent them. All policy statements, of course, must receive approval by the

chamber board of directors.

Issue Committee

This committee is established to handle any retail issues; government issues and seminars related to the retail market.

Special Events Committee

This committee will help in revitalizing the retail community, communicating with the retail membership and developing public relations.

Conventions & Tourism Development Division

Danny Bainum, director
Probably one of the most untapped areas of our economy is in promoting with conventions and tourism. This division needs to look into ways to help develop the use of our excellent facilities at the M.K. Brown Auditorium and to look toward methods of keeping tourists longer in the Panhandle area.

Seniors Golf Tournament

This committee works closely with the seniors golf tournament association to try to enhance this excellent program for the economic benefit of the area.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

This department is responsible for developing programs designed to develop a closer understanding of the relationships with all agencies of government. It also develops programs to inform

the membership and general public on legislative matters that from time to time may affect the business climate.

The aim is to improve the chamber's own image. In addition, it works with area fine arts to enhance the area and the oil and gas industry that has been greatly affected by recent decisions.

Regional Relations Development Division

Harry Griffith, director
This division works on a region-wide basis to improve our relations with other entities having an interest in the economy's development. In addition, it works with Clean Pampa to promote this concept throughout the area.

Area Relations Committee

This committee promotes a cooperative relationship throughout the Panhandle.

Clean Pampa/Gray County Committee

This committee promotes the clean community concept throughout the Gray County area.

Legislative Affairs Division

Roy Sparkman, director
This division investigates governmental issues that will affect the business climate of our area. In addition, it transmits these issues and information to the chamber membership.

Eggs and Issues Breakfast Committee

This committee brings to the membership special issues which they feel the membership has interest in and which will affect their ability to do business.

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The videotape will be forwarded to the top 1,000 companies with growth trends over a five-year period. The film depicts Pampa as industrial community unique in West Texas, with a wide variety of heavy industries and technical activities currently located here, a skilled and productive labor force, and a positive attitude.

Chamber

Local and State Legislative Affairs Committee

This committee investigates and becomes aware of the local and state legislative issues affecting our local business climate. From time to time, it may formulate policy to be approved by the board of directors as to positions on non-partisan issues affecting the business climate.

Public Relations Division

This division assists the chamber in securing publicity of all of its working projects. In addition, it works with the Gold Coats organization to make sure they find adequate avenues for their involvement.

It also works very closely with the area media to establish an excellent relationship in enhancing

publicity for the chamber.

Media Relations Divisions

This committee establishes a better relationship with the area media so that the chamber activities can be more accurately and properly promoted.

Gold Coats

This organization provides a greater function and other activities to enhance the chamber's image and its ability to serve its membership.

Oil & Gas Division

Jack Reeve, director

Our geographic area is vitally dependent to the success of the oil and gas industry. It is of utmost importance that this division work very closely with all aspects of this industry to enhance its ability to continue its vital role in our area economy.

Oil and Gas Regulatory Study

Committee

Over the years, the oil and gas industry has been a mainstay of the Panhandle economy. In an effort to diversify the economic base of our area, we must continue to support our oil and gas industry.

During the coming years, many regulations affecting the industry will need to be studied. The committee's responsibility is to study these changes and give policy recommendations to the chamber board so it may take these policies and transmit its feelings to the appropriate gov-

ernmental bodies.

Fine Arts Division

Louise Fletcher, director
The fine arts are an important part of the quality of life for our area. This is directly related to the attractiveness for expansion of present industries and attracting new businesses.

Fine Arts Committee

This committee works with the Pampa Fine Arts Association to coordinate our activities and continue to offer excellent programs for this area.

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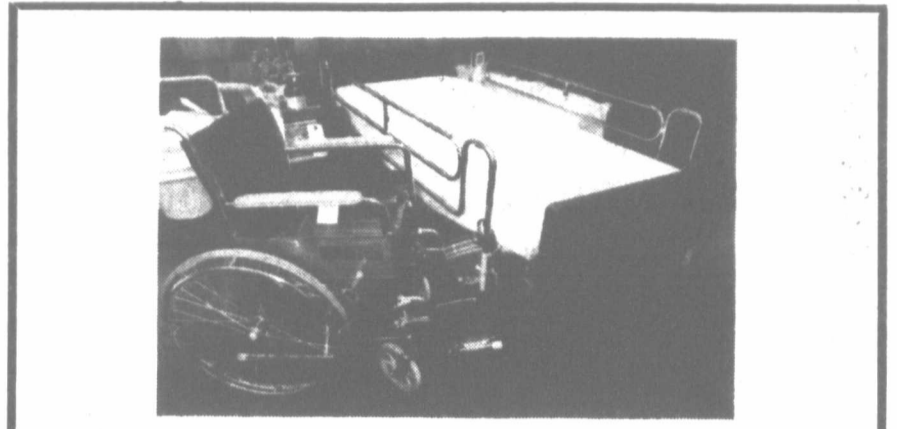
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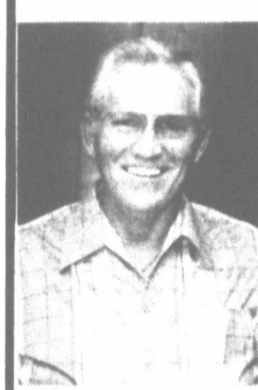
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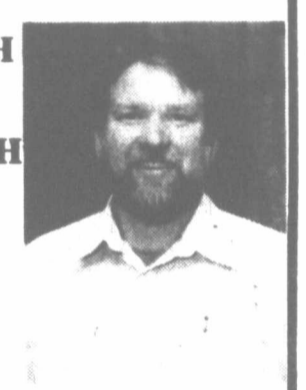
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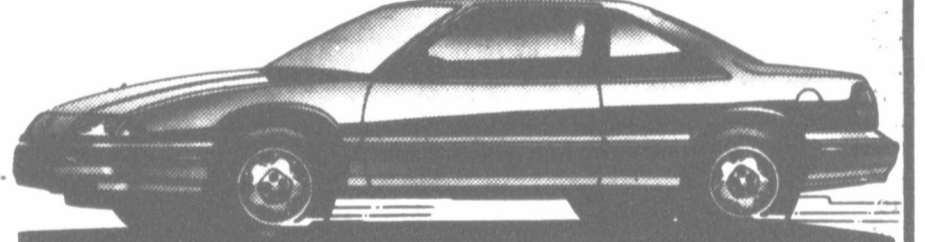


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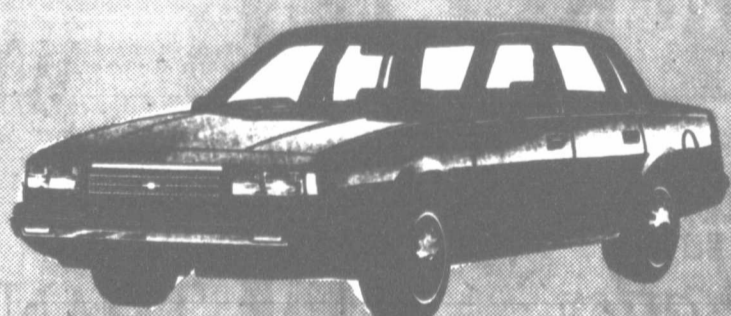



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Lifestyles

Plaids, tartans are on everything from wrists to ankles

By MARY MARTIN NIEPOLD
Newspaper Enterprise Ass'n.

Plaids, as enduring as they are, are looking all dressed up this winter. Tartans, particularly, are appearing in fashion items ranging from watch bands to silk evening blouses.

Perhaps it's their rich colors or their strong link to history and tradition, but of all the menswear-inspired patterns, plaids are most easily adaptable to more feminine fare. Currently, designers around the world (and with prices paralleling names as precious as Yves Saint Laurent



Christian Lacroix matches his fingertip-length plaid jacket with a tapestry skirt and leopard-skin hat.

or as affordable as Tommy Hilfiger) are designing in fabrics of colorful boxes rimmed in black borders.

Tartan plaids originated in military dress in the Scottish Highlands in the 18th century. Today, more than 200 tartans are said to be in production.

To celebrate the richness of this historical pattern and its role in dress for the last two centuries, New York's Fashion Institute of Technology is currently staging an exhibit called "Tartan," which continues through Feb. 4, 1989. The exhibit features historical tartans from around 1800 to contemporary fashion interpretations of the pattern from designers such as Balenciaga, Geoffrey Beene, Valentino, Bill Blass and Kenzo.

The exhibit's three curators visited London and Scotland to obtain as many items as possible for the show, which they wanted to reflect "the abiding presence and aura of tartan."

Plaids are never quite out of style. But what's new this season is the fact that same black/red/green plaid we've always loved looks lively and exciting as the watchband on a Guess watch by Georges Marciano, or as the front on a brass-buttoned red wool cardigan by Tommy Hilfiger.

Farther up the fashion ladder, European couturiers have fallen in love with plaids for this winter's collections. Saint Laurent mixes cultures with plaid. One day ensemble includes a green plaid blouse and black velvet skirt topped by a white jacket trimmed in Tyrolean red and green and accented by an oversized Maltese cross. Ethnic chic may be one way of interpreting the season's plaids.

Another — Karl Lagerfeld's in-

Fashion

clination — is to interpret plaids in new colors. His amply cut lamb's wool jacket is fashioned in purple/white/black plaid.

Since plaid seems to automatically signal an aura of well-bred courtliness, it easily falls in step with the rest of the season's sportswear, which stresses understated elegance. Pants, having returned so strongly this season, make perfect foils for plaid jackets or sweaters.

Pendleton Woolen Mills has been known for its fine wools since 1909, and this winter, it stresses the popularity of authentic clan tartans and colorful plaids in custom-size collections for petite, full-figure and tall women.

According to Pat McKeivitt,

women's wear communications manager at Pendleton, "Pendleton believes fuller figures can often wear the same fabrications and silhouettes as their regular-size counterparts." Plaids, consequently, are fashioned in pleated skirts and blazers, as cardigans and straight skirts, or in easy two-piece dress mixes this season.

Another American designer, Mary Ann Restivo, likes to show a blanket plaid swing coat over a windowpane-check blazer, which top fine wool gabardine high-waisted trousers.

"The wide-leg pant," says Restivo, "is the important new look. The high-waisted, belted trouser is also right because it gives you a nice, long-leg look."

A silk plaid blouse with one of the new longer slim skirts or a new pair of wide-legged evening trousers will brim over with

romantic notions of faraway Highlands times.

Even France's "Empress Crinolines," the Spanish-born Eugenie, knew the beauty of plaids. As

many "Les Modes Parisiennes" prints from the 1850s will attest, tartans in silk taffeta were quite popular then, as, once again, they are today.



Two models show Williwear plaid fashions for women and men in New York. The plaid of the jackets is mixed with a different plaid in the men's pants and in the women's stockings.

Stepmom wants book closed on wicked fairy tale image



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I recently married a widower who is the father of three young children, so now I am a stepmother. I love these children and they love me, but here's the problem:

I hope you won't think I am being childish or silly, but while reading bedtime stories to the children, I am deeply hurt when I come across a character in the story who is described as the "wicked stepmother." Abby, this is terribly unfair to all the kind and caring stepmothers.

Is there anything we can do to stop perpetuating this ugly myth? How can we good stepmothers combat the "wicked stepmother" label?

A NOT-SO-WICKED STEPMOTHER

DEAR STEPMOTHER: Don't take the "wicked stepmother" label personally. She's been in the fairy tale literature for generations, and until and unless a more contemporary author of bedtime stories replaces her with "a kind and loving" stepmother, all you good stepmothers will have to let your deeds speak for themselves.

There must be a special place in heaven for those noble women who have chosen to raise another woman's children. And if there isn't, there should be.

DEAR ABBY: My father left our family when I was a young girl. (I am now 26 years old.) He changed his name and cut off all family ties. It's been nearly four years since I've heard from him — but that doesn't stop him from putting my name and telephone number on all of his hospital forms as "next of kin." The only reason I know of his recent heart attacks (he's had three) is because the hospitals have called me numerous times regarding information as to his whereabouts for non-payment of his bills.

I realize this may sound cold, but I want nothing to do with this man. My concern is, when he dies, am I financially responsible for his funeral expenses or any of his unpaid bills? He and my mother are legally divorced and everyone else in the family feels the way I do about him.

What should I do? Please hurry your answer.

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DEAR CONCERNED: According to Arthur Groman, my legal consultant, there are specific provisions in the law of California governing the obligation of children to support

their parents who are in need. There is also a provision of law that any adult person abandoned by a parent prior to the age of 18 may bring an action to be relieved from the obligation of support. Because of the nature of these laws, you should consult a California attorney.

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Armani's new smaller jacket in plaid wool has side-zipped bandolier in matching fabric. Cuffless pants are softly pleated from the waist.



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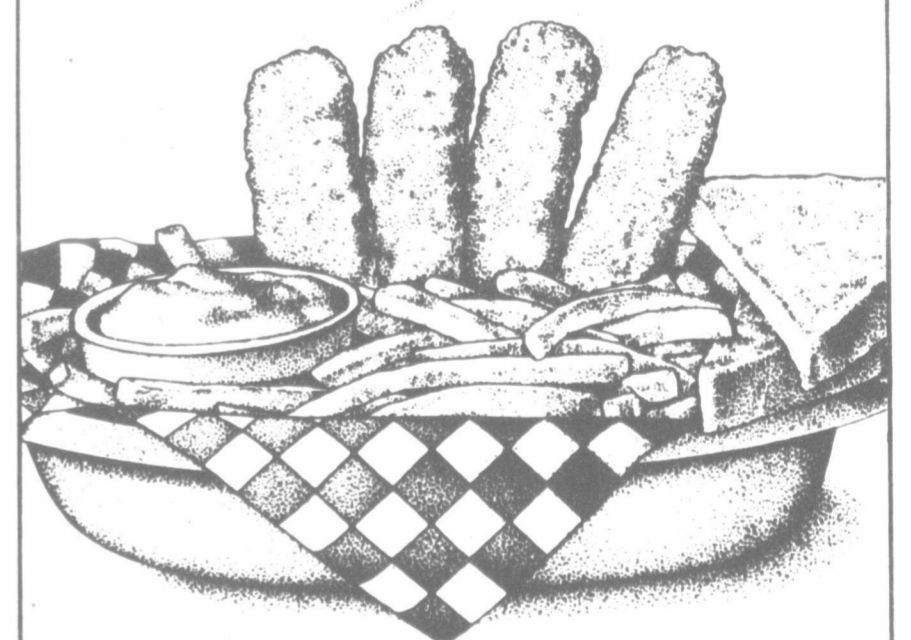
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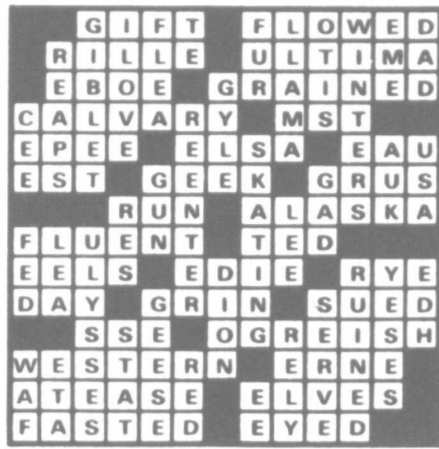
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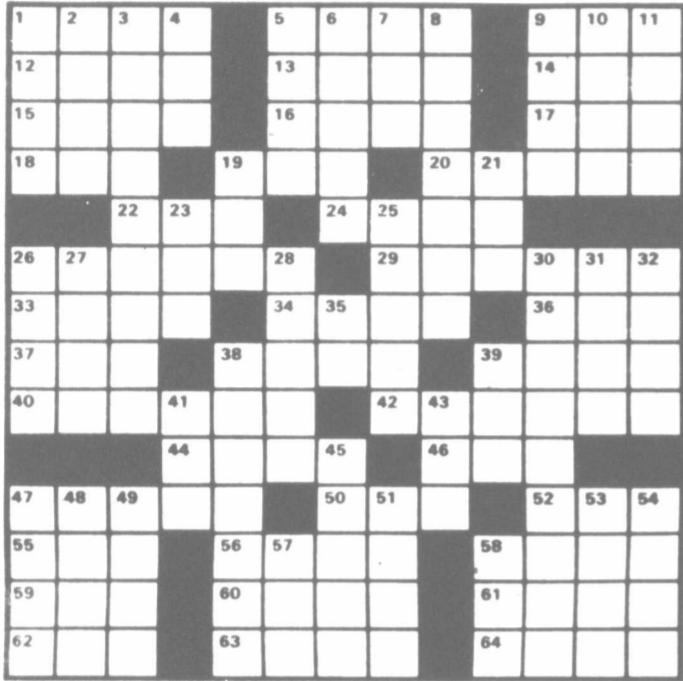
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- 13 Sound a horn
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- 15 Actress Chase
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- 17 Neither's follower
- 18 Bishop's province
- 19 Field
- 20 Pig sounds
- 22 Canal system in northern Michigan
- 24 Goals
- 26 Apples
- 29 Branch out
- 33 Skeleton parts
- 34 "A" — "apple"
- 36 Firearm owners' gp.
- 37 Ship-shaped clock
- 38 Baseball's speaker
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- 46 Young man
- 47 Smiling
- 50 Spoon bender — Galle
- 52 Needle (comb. form)
- 55 Hebrew letter
- 56 Hanking
- 58 Believe — not
- 59 From — Z
- 60 Missile
- 61 Knots in cotton fiber
- 62 Scold repeatedly
- 63 Spanish painter

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 38 Lace
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- 41 Box for coal
- 43 Actress — MacGraw
- 45 Disgusting (sl.)
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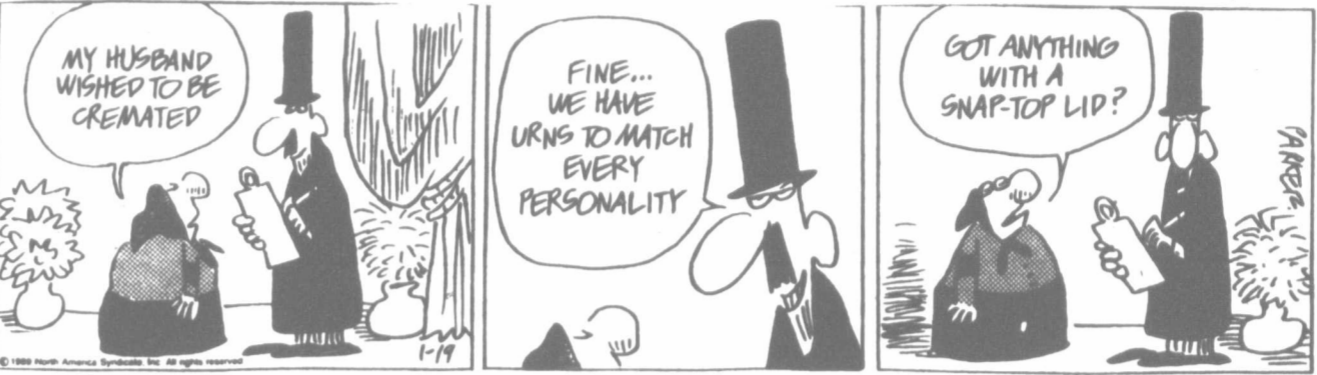
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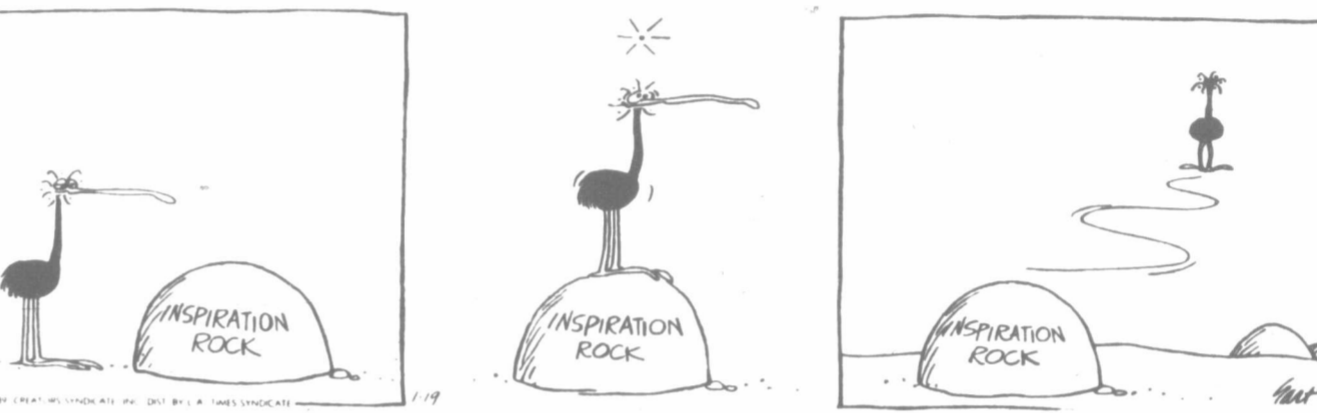
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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Solutions will not be found in a heated exchange if you get involved in a discussion today with someone whose outlook is diametrically opposed to yours. Keep a cool head. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences 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.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't inject yourself in delicate matters today that do not directly concern you. If you interfere where you shouldn't, you could end up regretting it later.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you do not manage your resources wisely at this time you are likely to spend more money than you can presently afford. Unfortunately, your extravagance may be dedicated to frivolous involvements.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try to avoid situations today that have competitive elements, especially where your career is concerned. There's a possibility that you might be outmatched.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It's best not to take impulsive risks on someone else's ideas today, particularly if they are authored by someone who has buried things in the past. Think for yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Make it a point not to bring up an old issue today that previously provoked a disagreement between you and a close friend. This matter still needs more time to cool off.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In order to get others to cooperate with you today, try making suggestions instead of issuing directives or commands. If you come on too strong it will only stiffen their resistance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may be inclined to make some hasty repairs around the house today. This is well and good, provided you have the proper tools and materials to do the job right.

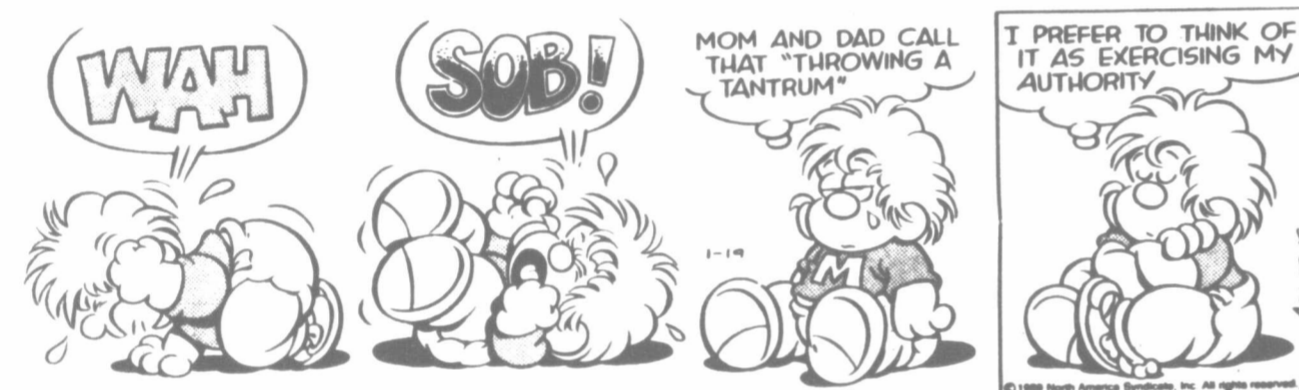
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Have fun and enjoy yourself, but guard against over-indulgence in the good things that life has to offer. You'll feel better tomorrow if you practice moderation today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There is a possibility you might have to make some adjustments in your plans today in order to accommodate someone else. Should this occur, don't blow things out of proportion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Normally you are rather easygoing and flexible when dealing with others, but today you may make companions feel uncomfortable by being unreasonably insistent on having your own way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) When socializing with friends today, subdue temptations to spend more than you should in hopes of making a good impression. The only impression you'll make will be on your credit cards.

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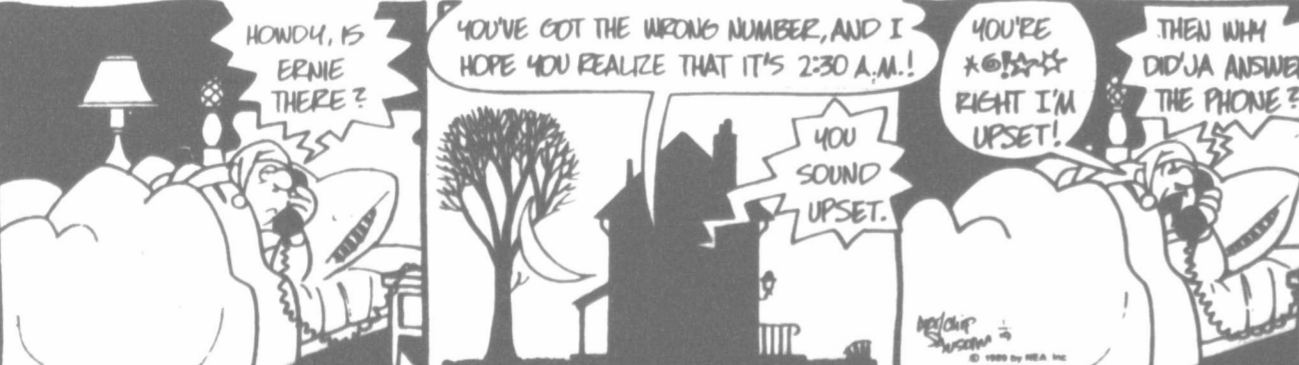
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Home loan plan calls for rate cuts

DALLAS (AP) — A goal to lower the number of Texas home foreclosures prompted federal savings and loan regulators to urge reducing loan interest rates to current market amounts.

A Federal Home Loan Bank Board official in Washington said the Residential Borrowers Restructuring Program is a part of the agency's Southwest Plan to bail out ailing thrifts following a real estate and energy slump.

Under the mortgage restructuring program, qualified borrowers with institutions under the Southwest Plan will be able to refinance home loans, said George M. Barclay, president of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas.

"I know the program has already been utilized at a number of the institutions," he told the *Dallas Morning News*.

For eligibility, a borrower's loan must have a fixed rate of at least 12 percent, and non-fixed rate mortgages are also eligible for the interest adjustments, according to the bank board directive that was made public at a congressional hearing Jan. 10 in Washington.

Lenders are also being encour-

aged to waive the costs of refinancing the mortgages when the borrower cannot afford them.

Loan shortfalls to institutions through refinancing will still show up on thrifts' income statements. But a lender's loss reserve is set so that net worth of a thrift is not affected by refinanced mortgages, said FHLBB spokesman David Barr. Savings associations will not be required to reappraise a house's market value.

Dallas area home values have declined by an average 4 to 6 percent for each of the past three years, the National Association of Realtors said.

Home price declines mean many homeowners buying in the mid-1980s find their mortgage balances exceeding the market value of their home.

But housing industry analysts are optimistic the FHLBB's actions will reduce bad loans in Texas.

"I think that's just good judgment — if it's possible to salvage something and you are faced with foreclosure," James Wooten, chairman of Lomas Mortgage, U.S.A., said.

"You still have to have some-

one who wants to stay in the house and has the economic ability to meet what you are agreeing to. There are a lot of those people."

Wooten told the newspaper the loan program is similar to a plan many Texas lenders already are using. He said Lomas, one of the country's largest mortgage banking firms, has reduced the rates on about \$60 million of its loans in the last eight months.

A former Dallas savings and loan executive, who asked not to be identified, said the program might not be a good thing for some victims of Texas' sagging economy.

"I would not think that reducing the outstanding rate from 12 percent or 14 percent to 11 percent is going to make a material difference to a large number of people who are thinking about turning in their keys," he said. "A bigger problem is they may have lost their job."

The former thrift officer also said many who do not need the break will demand the rate reduction.

Other lenders should consider the action to reduce foreclosures, said Stuart McFarland, chairman of Virginia-based Skyline Financial Corp.

Flag-waving to give Bush a workout

By SAUL PETT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Should he be hoist by his own petard, George Herbert Walker Bush will begin his presidency with one of the sorest arms in history.

About 35,000 little American flags will be distributed to spectators at his inaugural Friday. At least 700 larger flags will be carried before him in the hours-long parade to follow.

Can the man who espoused the pledge of allegiance to the flag with religious fervor in the last campaign get by with just an occasional salute? With all those flags, just a token movement of the arm toward the heart could leave Bush with the sorest arm since Sandy Koufax quit baseball.

The marching band from the University of Texas alone could wear out the new president. Its 320 marchers will carry 30 flags along with 60 trumpets, 40 trombones, 20 baritones, 24 tubas, 26 percussion, 36 clarinet, 30 french horns, 25 saxophones and 24 piccolos. Can a man from Texas stand motionless before all that?

The statistics come courtesy of the inaugural committee, which produced a handbook of breathtaking scope. It tells far more than you could possibly want to know about inaugurals in compelling detail. For example:

Bush and the six presidents before him were all born between 1908 and 1924, a fact the need of which is not yet clear.

Bush will rank with the four tallest presidents in history, behind Abe Lincoln, Lyndon Johnson and Thomas Jefferson. He also will enter history books

as one of four left-handed presidents, the others being James Garfield, Harry Truman and Gerald Ford.

The dome of the Capitol expands and contracts as much as four inches because of the heat of the sun by day and cooling by night, which is in sharp contrast to most of its tenants who are known to expand frequently and contract seldom.

Mrs. William Howard Taft was the first woman to ride in an inaugural parade in 1913. Warren Harding was the first president to ride to his swearing-in in a car. Richard Nixon was the first to review his parade behind bullet-proof glass.

Bush is 31st among college graduates who made it to the White House, 12th among Phi Beta Kappa boys, second among Yale men.

Married 44 years, George and Barbara Bush bring the ninth longest marriage to the White House. John and Abigail Adams were married the longest, 54 years and three days. But Bush is the only president born in June.

You will also sleep better knowing that Andrew Johnson was the only vice president visibly drunk at his inaugural, a condition he blamed on alcohol consumed to combat the pain of typhoid fever.

Should you need more for your next game of Trivial Pursuit, remember Jefferson had the first running water in the White House, from a cistern he put in the roof; Millard Fillmore had the first bathtub installed; Rutherford Hayes, the first telephone; William McKinley, the first elevator; Franklin Roosevelt, the first dishwasher.

But George Herbert Walker Bush will be the first captain of a Yale baseball team to become president. Indisputably.

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