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MONDAY

# Police open fire as Tibetans riot in protest

By KATHY WILHELM **Associated Press Writer** 

BEIJING (AP) - Police opened fire today on Tibetan pro-independence protesters and reportedly killed at least four in the second day of violence in the Tibetan capital, foreign travelers said.

The reports from Lhasa were not immediately confirmed by official media, which reported 11 people killed in street clashes in the Tibetan capital Sunday

Police stationed on rooftops in Lhasa's main square fired down into crowds of Tibetans at about 5 p.m., a traveler from New Orleans said in a telephone interview.

He said he arrived on the scene shortly after the shooting and was told by Tibetans that at least two people were killed.

A second American, also speaking on condition of anonymity for fear of police reprisal, said he saw police open fire several hours later on about 40 Tibetans who were marching toward the main

He said he did not see marchers fall, but said Tibetans told him two were killed.

China's official Xinhua News Agency said earlier that one policeman and 10 Tibetans were killed Sunday in clashes in Lhasa, while 40 police and more than 60 Tibetans were injured.

Another American said many Tibetans reported Sunday's death toll was closer to 30, but there was no way to confirm that

Foreign travelers in Lhasa said police showed restraint throughout most of today as thousands of Tibetans marched through the streets chanting pro-independence slogans and hurling goods looted from Chinese-owned stores onto bonfires.

The clashes were the fourth time in 18 months that tensions have boiled over between Tibetans and Chinese, who rule the remote southern region. At least 40 were killed in the earlier clashes,

including 24 who died one year ago during a daylong battle. Sunday's protest was begun by Buddhist monks

and nuns who apparently were marking that anniversary American and other travelers said thousands of Tibetans milled around the streets of the city's old

section today, looting merchandise from Chineseowned stores and setting it on fire. They stoned any Chinese who tried to bicycle through the area and dragged some from their bikes, which they burned, the witnesses said.

A second American said he saw a policeman dragged from his bike and chased down the street at knifepoint.

"The streets are thick with people. There's lots of whooping and shouting and throwing stones. There's no control whatever," said an Australian. He said the protesters set up barricades with tables and garbage cans on some streets.

Tibet remains largely closed to journalists and the only independent reports came from travelers, many of whom who spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of police reprisals.

Xinhua said Sunday's violence began at noon when 13 monks and nuns paraded illegally through the Barkhor, the city's central market and location of its main temple, the Jokhang. They waved banners and shouted "Independence for Tibet." the report said.

They were joined by several hundred people who stoned a nearby police station.

A Swedish traveler, who gave his name only as Pontus, said he ran to the roof of the Jokhang Temple for a better view.

"There were six people to the left of us taking

pictures of the crowd ... Then they dropped their cameras and started firing with hand guns into the crowd," Pontus said. He said no warning was given.

He said he and four companions, some of whom took pictures of the shooting, later had their cameras and passports confiscated.

At about 3 p.m., a group of Tibetan youths carrying the banned pre-Communist Tibetan flag began marching on a major street north of the Barkhor, said travelers who watched from a hotel on the street

Hundreds of Tibetans joined them, but police moved in quickly firing tear gas and bullets, the travelers said. Skirmishes along the street lasted until after nightfall, they said.

Xinhua said the protesters fired at police, and that police "were forced to fire as no other means could stop the rioters." It did not make clear which

side began shooting first. However, none of the nearly one dozen travelers interviewed reported seeing Tibetans with guns.

China claims its sovereignty over Tibet dates to the 13th century

However, many Tibetans dispute the claim and demand independence.

## Special programs and projects scheduled for Texas Public Schools Week activities

Public Schools Week officially began in Texas today with thousands of observances in hundreds of school districts across the Lone Star State

In Pampa the statewide theme of "See Us Shine" is being seen as a way to highlight the different cultures and geographical aspects of Texas, while also highlighting the accomplishments of the various programs of the

Special programs, projects and displays regarding "Building on Our Texas Heritage" will be featured on all eight school campuses with special invitations to parents and community members to visit and eat lunch.

The lunch reservations may be made by calling each campus individually. During the theme times, cafeteria workers will be wear ing costumes and offering decorations and menus appropriate for the each region of the

Monday's theme throughout the district is "Sand and Sea." in honor of the state's coastal region. Tuesday the theme will be "Ascend to the Stars" and will deal with the Texas contribution to the space program. Wednesday the theme is to be "Deep in the

Valley," during which the food in the cafeteria will take on a Mexican flavor. Thursday honors "East Texas Lumberjacks" and Friday will focus on "Let's Rodeo in Texas.

Among the special presentations and prog rams on each campus are:

TUESDAY

10 a.m. — Travis second grade program in the gym: "Friends."

11 a.m. — Travis fourth grade program in the gym: "A Half-day of School. 11 a.m. — Woodrow Wilson fourth grade

cowboy skit and book reports with props. 1:50 p.m. — Lamar Clean Pampa Program.

WEDNESDAY

All day — Baker teacher appreciation day 10:30 a.m. — Horace Mann second grade program: "Dinosaur Valley. 10:45 a.m. — Travis third grade program

Students will recite poems they have written.

"Friends." 12:30 p.m. — Woodrow Wilson third grade They will also share booklets on Texas.

**THURSDAY** 10 a.m. Horace Mann T-1 and first grade: Fiesta program.

10:30 a.m. Travis: Mrs. Carter's Kindergarten class visiting the computer room. Woodrow Wilson second 10:40 a.m.

grade: Presenting plays and skits. 12:30 p.m. — Baker fourth grade: Play ab-

2:45 p.m. Mrs. Carter's Kindergarten class to visit computer lab. FRIDAY

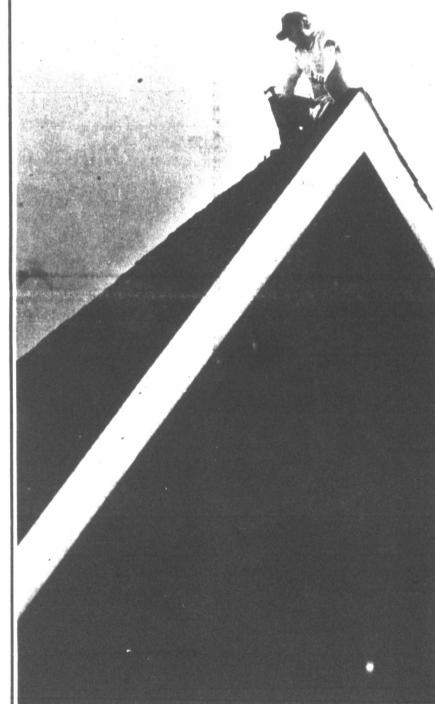
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visit computer lab. 10:45 a.m. — Horace Mann third grade

program: "Texas From All Over the World." 2:45 p.m. — Travis: Mrs. Williams Kindergarten class to visit computer lab.

Classes in elementary and secondary schools will be incorporating 'See Us Shine' and "Our Texas Heritage" into class assignments. Austin Elementary is planning individual class programs Monday through Friday with invitations for specific times being sent home to parents.

# Up on the roof



(Staff photo by Duane A. Laverty

A worker for Parsley's Sheet Metal and Roofing Co. of Pampa gets a bird's eye view of the city while working on a roofing project atop First Christian Church in Pampa recently before the chilling winds hit the city over the weekend.

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

SHAMROCK — Two suspected drug traffickers led law enforcement officers and helpful motorists on a not-so-merry chase near here Friday afternoon following a routine traffic stop on Interstate 40.

About 2 p.m. Friday, Trooper John Waight stopped a 1981 rented Chevrolet station wagon traveling east on I-40 for speeding 74 mph in a 65 mph zone, according to Department of Public Safety reports.

After receiving a consent to search, Waight searched the vehicle's two occupants, a black male and a Hispanic male, for weapons and then had the two lie down in a bar ditch between the highway and a service road while wagon, DPS reports state.

In the search of the car, Waight found two kilo bricks weighing 41/2 pounds of suspected cocaine in the spare tire compartment. Estimated street value of the cocaine is \$200,000.

Waight placed the two men under arrest. At that time, the black man who was driving the car ran at the DPS trooper. Waight said in his report that he drew his service revolver and ordered the man to stop. The man then ran towards the back of the station wagon and attempted to reach in. Waight told him he would shoot if the suspect took a weapon from the car

The black man withdrew his hand and began running east down the interstate highway.

according to the report. Three carloads of people driv-

ing on Interstate 40 apparently witnessed the incident and began to "head off" the escaping suspect running down the highway, Waight's report said

Meanwhile. Waight was requesting assistance from DPS in Childress and the Shamrock Police Department. And while Waight was trying to capture the black man, the Hispanic man took off into a nearby field.

The motorists had left their cars and were chasing the black suspect on foot, directing him back to where Waight stood. The trooper placed the car's driver back into custody.

As Waight was re-capturing the black male, the Hispanic male had fled into a patch of shinnery, a dense growth of small trees, and hid. Shamrock Police Chief Art Taylor pursued the escapee into the field with his patrol car.

After a 45-minute manhunt, the Hispanic suspect finally surrendered to Taylor and Wheeler County Sheriff's deputies.

After their arrests, both suspects were taken to Shamrock Highway Patrol office and then were arraigned before Shamrock Justice of the Peace Herbert Stacy, who set bond at \$150,000 each. They were placed in Wheeler County Jail following the arraignment.

The two men were apparently traveling from Los Angeles to Oklahoma City at the time of the incident, according to the DPS report. In addition to Shamrock police and Wheeler County deputies, Waight was assisted by the Wheeler County Constable.

Names of the two suspects were not available at press time

#### he went through the station curtailment, school closings brings gas

**By The Associated Press** 

Record-breaking cold and icebound roads put the beginning of the workweek on skids today for thousands of people in north Texas, where up to 11 inches of snow fell over the weekend.

Hundreds of travelers who had planned to take Interstate 35 north to Oklahoma, where a foot of snow lay on the ground, sought shelter instead in Texas.

In Gainesville at the Texas-Oklahoma border, some 200 people heading for destinations as far north as Wisconsin and Michigan spent the night at the civic center after the city's eight hotels and motels were packed, police dispatcher Susan Case said.

Many of those who stayed in Gainesville had little hope of completing their trips soon, she said.

"Most of central and eastern Oklahoma has 12 inches of snow, so people say they're staying here another day," Ms. Case said this morning.

Those who spent Sunday night at the civic center's makeshift shelter operated by the Red Cross were given coffee, sandwiches and blankets, she said.

( The storm left smaller amounts of snow in some western

and northern Texas Panhandle counties, but missed Pampa and the surrounding area.) At Dallas-Fort Worth Interna-

tional Airport, where cancelled flights cut air traffic by 50 percent Sunday, travelers were able to leave more or less on time today, said Mary O'Neil, an American Airlines spokeswoman. "We are bringing our schedule back up to normal and getting those planes back where they belong,'

The Houston Cougars basketball team spent another day at a DFW airport hotel, awaiting a flight to Fayetteville. Their regular season finale against Arkansas, scheduled for Sunday, was postponed until today.

The airport's security office had no count of how many other travelers had been stranded since the snow began blowing Saturday morning.

Charlotte Goddard, a spokeswoman for Southwest Airlines at Love Field, said the airline canceled 10 flights Sunday, mostly those bound for Little Rock, Ark., Tulsa, Okla., and Oklahoma City.

Part of the roof of the fire station at Bowie, some 70 miles northwest of Fort Worth, collapsed Sunday as winds piled snow into drifts of up to 7 feet.

open today were being warned to wear sweaters because Lone Star Gas Co. curtailed supplies to some of its industrial and business customers. The company supplies natural gas to 1.2 million customers across two-thirds of Lone Star customers used ab-

out 2.5 billion cubic feet of natural

People whose workplaces were gas Sunday — "about the maximum" the system can deliver, said Howard Matson, the utility's director of communications. On a typical winter day, the demand is about 1.8 billion cubic feet

To lower the demand and ensure service to homes, Lone Star began curtailing service at 4 p.m. Sunday to customers that receive discount rates, including schools,



Sonny Myers digs his car out of the snow Sunday afternoon on an interstate near Denton.

Matson said

"It's not that there's not enough gas to go around; it's that there's too much demand," Matson said. "So basically, what's happening is the houses all over the system are using more gas, so there's more demand for gas than there is capability of delivering it. This is a normal routine thing.

Matson said this is the first time in memory that Lone Star has curtailed service twice in the same winter. Service was restricted for three days the first week in February, resulting in school closings for about 280,000 students.

Eleven inches of snow had fallen at the Wichita Falls airport and the north winds built 2 to 3 foot drifts on area roadways Abilene reported 10 inches of

**Dallas Fort Worth Internation**al Airport recorded 20 degrees Sunday afternoon — breaking the record of 22 degrees for the date and a wind chill of 17 degrees below zero.

Authorities said traffic accidents were too numerous to count. The worst pileup over the weekend was on Interstate 20 near Terrell, where 50 cars piled up Saturday night.

"It's a bad stretch of road, and a lot of people are stopping," said DPS dispatcher Les Weaver. "They're running off the road and hitting other cars. All we can do is get wreckers out there and get them back up on the road.'

One man was struck and killed Saturday as he tried to help a stranded motorist. Anthony Collins, 32, of Rowlett, died at Baylor **University Medical Center about** two hours after the accident.

One thing drawing Texans to the ice- and snow-packed roads was the opening of the much heralded Ramses II exhibit at Fair Park in Dallas. Three thousand people braved the elements Sunday to see artifacts from a much warmer place and

"I could hardly sleep last night," Karel Wheat of Grand Prairie said. "We like old things. We listen to old music and live in a house my daddy built 41 years ago." The Wheat family left home at 5 a.m. to make sure they made their admission time of 9

a.m. The weather service also predicted the state would begin thawing out today. Afternoon highs were expected to stay in the 30s and 40s, with some 50s in the deep south and extreme far west.

# Daily Record

#### Services tomorrow

**STAFFORD**, L.J. "Jack" — 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Shamrock

#### Obituaries

#### **MELVIN DON HAYNES**

Melvin Don Haynes, 62, died Sunday in Amarillo. Services are to be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Cecil Ferguson officiating.

Graveside services are to be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Chester, Okla., Cemetery with the Rev. Doyle Roark, pastor of Seiling, Okla., Assembly of God, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Haynes had been a Pampa resident since 1950. He was a retired iron worker. He graduated from Seiling, Okla., High School. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include four brothers, Nate Haynes and Frank Haynes, both of Pampa; Jess Haynes of Lovington, N.M., and O.A. Haynes of Freemont, Calif.; four sisters, Danzel Stokes of Odessa, Ruth Klyce of Bowie, Alma Edmiston of Pampa and Joy Money of Sarasota, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews

LAURA E. GREEN Laura E. Green, 92, died Saturday in Lubbock. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. A.E. Caviness, retired minister, officiating, Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Green had been a Pampa resident from 1951 until she moved to Lubbock in 1983. She married William C. Green on Aug. 15, 1914 at Green Forest, Ark. He died on Dec. 13, 1980. She was a Baptist. She was preceded in death by two sons, Norman Green and Ralph Green.

Survivors include three sons, Rex Green of Pampa, Jerry Green of Philomath, Ore., and David Green of Lubbock; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**LESTER M. SCOGGINS** 

SHAMROCK — Lester M. Scoggins, 86, died Saturday. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Richerson Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Jerry Ralston, pastor of Kelton First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was to be in Shamrock

Mr. Scoggins was born in Fordyce, Ark. He moved to Wheeler County in 1920. In the early 1930s, he moved to Steamboat Springs, Colo., where he lived until 12 years ago when he moved to Shamrock. He was a member of Steamboat Springs, Colo., Sheriff's Posse. He was a retired mechanic

Survivors include two sons, Alderic Scoggins of Montrose, Colo., and Talmadge Beale of Lamont, Colo.; a sister, Carmon Terry of Shamrock; eight grandchildren and a number of greatgrandchildren

L.J. 'JACK' STAFFORD

SHAMROCK — L.J. "Jack" Stafford, 79, died Sunday. Services are to be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Shamrock Church of Christ with Don Perry, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery by Richerson Funeral Home.

Mr. Stafford was born in Shamrock and lived there until 1928. He married Charlene Guynes in 1928 at Shamrock. He was a farmer until 1943, when he moved to Pampa to work for Cabot Corp. He moved to Ville Platte, La., where he retired in 1966. He moved back to Shamrock in 1966. He was a member of the Church of Christ and was president of the Shamrock Senior Citizens Association.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene; two sons, Lynn Stafford of Pampa and Dennis Stafford of Midland; two daughters, Charlotte Fontenot of Ville Platt, La., and Rebecca Morgan of Shamrock; 11 grandchildren and 10 great-

#### Fire report

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

SUNDAY, March 5 1:05 a.m — Heater fire was reported at the

Caprock Apartments. Minimal damage was reported. Three units and seven firefighters re-12:17 p.m. — False alarm was reported at 1232

S. Wilcox. Firefighters said steam was mistaken

#### **Hospital**

**CORONADO** HOSPITAL **Admissions** 

Billie Pampa Cecil Tollett, Borger Lawrence Frazier,

Pampa Zennie Pampa

Estell Smith, Borger Polly West, Pampa **Dismissals** 

Melvin Carter, Pampa

Floyd Duckworth, rock Pampa Nell Gantz, Pampa Wilda McGahen,

Pampa Thelma Sober, Pampa Shamrock Parilee Ellis, Canadian

Charles Lockhart, Pampa Nancy Reece, Pampa

Audrey Stewart Pampa

Debra Kay Tripplett Osborne, and baby girl, Pampa **SHAMROCK** HOSPITAL **Admissions** 

Edna Pearl Aber-Gaines, nathy, Shamrock Clifford Ledbetter, Wellington

**Dismissals** A.C. Pendergrass, Wellington Glenda Adams, Sham-

Ralph Stone, Shamrock Joyce Kelly, Wheeler

Rebecca Morgan, Vermell Gillespie, Wellington

rock Eli Carter, Shamrock

Marie Thomas, Sham-

#### Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SUNDAY, March 5 Sheila Stone, 943 E. Francis, reported criminal

mischief at the residence Earnest Eugene Willis, 1905 N. Zimmers, re-

ported a burglary at the residence. Bill Lee, 209 Tignor, reported a hit and run.

Michael Stanford, 711 E. 15th, reported the theft of a 1985 Olds from the residence. **Arrests - City Jail** 

SUNDAY, March 5

Marvin Dale Ferris, 29, 328 Tignor, was arrested in the 300 block of South Finley on charges of driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain a single lane and failure to leave identification at the scene of an accident. He was released on bond.

**Arrests - DPS** 

THURSDAY, March 2 Michael Edward Glover, Amarillo, was arrested on Hwy. 60 in Carson County on charges of driving while intoxicated, first offense, and failure to drive in a single lane.

#### Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no minor accidents during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

FRIDAY, March 3

10:45 p.m. — A 1978 Chevrolet pickup driven by Mark Robbins, Amarillo, was traveling on Hwy. 60 through White Deer when the driver drifted off onto the south curb and struck a light pole, according to DPS reports. Non-incapacitating injuries were reported. Citations were issued.

#### Stock market

The following grain quotations are	Arco 881/x	up <sup>1</sup> /8
provided by Wheeler-Evans of	Cabot	NC
Pampa.	Chevron 511/	up1
Wheat 3.84	New Atmos 15½	NC
Milo 4.30	Enron	NC
Corn 4.85	Halliburton 295/4	up3/4
The following quotations show the	HCA48 <sup>7</sup> /s	NC
prices for which these securities	Ingersoll-Rand 371/4	up1/4
could have been traded at the time of	Kerr-McGee 421/8	NC
compilation.	KNE 19	up1/k
Occidental 271%	Mapco 64 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	up1/s
Ky. Cent. Life 1438	Maxxus	up1/s
Serfco 4 <sup>1</sup> 4	Mesa Ltd 12 <sup>7</sup> /8	NC
The following show the prices for	Mobil 49	up <sup>1</sup> /2
which these mutual funds were bid at	Penney's 521/8	NC
the time of compilation:	Phillips 22 <sup>7</sup> /8	up1/4
Magellan	SBJ	up1/4
Puritan 13.62	SPS	up <sup>1</sup> /s
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock	Tenneco 48	up1/4
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## North trial testimony continues

By PETE YOST

**Associated Press Writer** 

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Air Force retiree testified today on how Oliver North and Richard -Secord decided that one of Secord's companies should get title to the aircraft being used to secretly supply the Contras.

Richard Gadd testified at North's trial that "I objected somewhat strenuously" when Secord, one of North's co-defendants in the Iran-Contra case, summoned him to a meeting in January 1986 at a McLean, Va., restaurant. Secord announced that he had "changed his mind" and that one of Secord's companies would get title to the aircraft rather than a company Gadd controlled.

After Gadd complained, Secord called North aside, the two spoke briefly, returned to the table and Secord "told me that is how it would be. Col-

onel North seemed to agree. The C-7 Caribou aircraft had been purchased with funds generated by Secord's secret resupply

operation to the Contras. Eventually, the Contra leadership "felt the planes belonged to them," related Gadd, who described how Secord and North held another discussion about ownership during a plane trip to Central

'North agreed' once again that the planes belonged to one of Secord's companies, Udall Corp., and that the "Contras did not exercise total control," Gadd said.

Gadd, who retired from the Air Force in 1982 as a -lieutenant colonel, also described North's involveent in other details of the Contra resuply operaion. Gadd said a crewmen, Ian Crawford, described "what went wrong and what went right" with an airdrop of military supplies to the Contras in southern Nicaraguan near the Costa Rican bor-

er in April 1986 Gadd also said that he billed one of Secord's companies, Lake Resources, \$392,000 for construction of an airstrip in Costa Rica that was designed to help supply the Contras on the Southern Front in Nicaragua.

Gadd said North enlisted him to help build the airstrip for secret military supply missions to the Nicaraguan Contras while Congress had banned U.S. aid to the rebels.

Among the 12 criminal charges against North are four counts of lying to Congress by denying his involvement in the Contra resupply operation.

Gadd testified Thursday that North enlisted him to help build a secret airstrip in Costa Rica to support a "southern front" for the Contras in their guerrilla war against the Nicaraguan government.

Gadd described how he was summoned on a Sunday by Secord to a meeting with the White House aide, who pointed on a map to a remote section of

the country's west coast. "Secord and North asked if I could build" the airstrip, recalled Gadd.

"Not being in the business of building airfields," Gadd said, he retained some consultants and eventually the runway was built.

North at one point accompanied Gadd to a meeting with Ambassador Robert Duemling and urged him to award Gadd an air delivery contract to help distribute \$27 million in humanitarian aid to the Contras, Gadd said, adding that Duemling agreed to the request.

One of the government's key witnesses against North, former National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane, was sentenced Friday for his role in the Iran-Contra affair and is to be called later by the prosecution.

The problem of handling classified material continues to be a problem at the trial. U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell held a hearing Friday to review what to do when the government tries to censor material that is already in the public do-

main. The latest fight erupted when North's lawyers discovered that memos the government had censored for use in court had been made public in their entirety eight months earlier.

#### Welcome to Pampa



Wheelchair athlete Bill Duff presents Pampa Mayor David McDaniel with a token of appreciation during a stopover at City Hall this morning. Nearly 60 Pampa city employees and residents were on hand to welcome Duff to Pampa. He is pushing himself in his wheelchair from Los Angeles, where he started in January, to New York City, where he hopes to arrive by July. The project is to urge people to dial 1-800-STAND UP and donate to the Miami project to provide funds to help find a cure for paralysis.

## Celanese plant to be on-line soon

By BEAR MILLS **Staff Writer** 

The rebuild of the Hoechst Celanese plant is nearing completion and company officials said today the plant should be completely on-line in less than a month.

Brent Stephens, plant manager, said the first of three Liquid Phase Oxidation systems should be started either Wednesday or Thursday.

'The other systems will follow later in the month, and we plan to have all three started up by April 1," Stephens said. "Start-up of each of our three LPO systems getting some of the last-minute 100 by the end of March.

will take place when each system is complete, fully checked out, and those responsible for the systems believe they are ready.' Stephens said the start-up will

be done on a system by sytem "Other plant systems that purify LPO products will start up

when they have adequate feedstock, (probably) over the next two or three weeks," he announced.

The target date of Friday, March 3, for the first refiring of the plant was missed, Stephens said, because of slight delays in

work finished.

He congratulated employees of Celanese, Fluor Daniel and other contractors for their "hard work to (try and) achieve that date and (for having) come very close in spite of arctic cold fronts and normal delays.

'We're very proud of everyone's accomplishments and we look forward to a return to full operation in the coming months," Stephens said.

He estimated the current Fluor Daniel work force at between 300 and 350 people and said that number should be reduced to less than

Galveston College will sponsor a

Saturday, Texas A&M Uni-

versity-Calveston will sponsor a

surfing contest. Bands will pro-

vide background music for the

"We had 50,000 kids in R.A.

Apffel park for one concert last

vear and it went real smoothly,"

beach parks supervisor Bill

Spencer said. "We had relatively

few problems and we're looking

for a good event this year."

### Beach patrols ready for spring break

music, surfing and sandsculpting contests, tennis and pected to attract hordes of college students to Texas beaches in the coming weeks.

"The out-of-staters are already starting to come in," Lt. Vic Maceo, commander of the Galveston County Sheriff's Beach Patrol, told the Houston Chronicle.

Spring break crowds officially are expected to begin arriving Thursday, with the largest number of Southwest Conference schools adjourning Friday for a week students traditionally spend partying at Texas beaches from Galveston to South Padre Island.

In the Corpus Christi-Port Aransas area, where a beach melee broke out last spring break after a girl was struck by a car, local, state and federal law enforcement officials were meeting Monday to coordinate water and traffic safety efforts

Area officials say, however, they don't believe "overblown" accounts of beach violence last year will keep the students — or families — away.

**Nueces County Commissioner** J.P. Luby, whose precinct includes Mustang Island and North Padre Island beaches, estimates 100,000 college students will flock to area beaches this month. Officials expect students to spend between \$40 and \$50 a day and 70

GALVESTON (AP) — Free percent of them to stay in Port with a five-kilometer fun run.

Lanette Nolte, manager of the tennis tournament the next day. volleyball tournaments are ex- Chamber of Commerce and Tourist Bureau at Port Aransas, said the first signs of spring for her are heralded by the blaring boom boxes of students traveling to the island on the ferry.

> "I still get a thrill hearing the loud amplifiers going when they (students) get off the ferry. It is an Nolte said.

milling crowds at East Beach, or R.A. Apffel Park, on March 12 and 19, the two Sundays of spring break.

indication that spring has sprung, and I look forward to it."

In Galveston, organized spring

#### break activities begin Thursday City briefs

**GLENDA'S TAX Service and** Bookkeeping. 665-0310, 274-2142.

**DEFENSIVE DRIVING** Course for only \$20 at Bowman Driving School. 669-3871. Adv.

WILD COUNTRY, Friday night, 10th, Razzy Bailey, Saturday night, 11th. City Limits. Adv. **BOOTH FOR** rent at A Mo-

ments Notice. \$50 a week. 665-6514. Adv. **PERSONAL TOUCH has Whit**ing and Davis billfolds, coin purses, key rings, etc. 113 N.

Cuyler. Adv. **WHEELS ACROSS America** Rally, March 11, Coronado Center. Balloon release, Slush Puppies, kids identification program with McGruff and lots more. Adv.

LAS PAMPAS is offering Complimental Facials on a New Skin Care Product. By Appointment, Thursday 1-5:30 p.m. Saturday 1-5:30 p.m. 110 N. Cuyler, 665-5033.

FREE HEARING Test. Tuesday, March 7 and 21. Lile's Hearing Aid Service, 2219 Perryton Parkway (next to Touch of Glass Optical). 665-1608. Adv. HAIR BENDERS - Hairdres-

ser needed. Booth rent, \$50. 1st 2 weeks free. 665-7117, 665-8773.

THE LOFT. Tuesday Special Berox, Wednesday stew, cornbread. Music 12-1. 665-2129. Adv.

TELEPHONE PIONEERS meeting Tuesday 7th, 7 p.m. Telco Lounge. Covered dish, special meeting.

#### Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Sunny this afternoon. High in mid 40s, northeasterly winds 10-20 mph. Clear tonight. Low in upper teens. Sunny and warmer Tuesday. High in mid 50s, southerly winds 5-15 mph. Sunday's high was 30; the overnight low was

**REGIONAL FORECAST** 

West Texas — Mostly sunny and warmer Tuesday. Clear and not as cold tonight. Lows tonight from the upper teens to mid 20s, except mid 30s far west and low 30s near the Rio Grande. Highs Tuesday from the mid 50s to low 60s, except lower 70s far west and upper 60s along the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Mostly fair tonight and Tuesday. A gradual warming trend through Tuesday and cold most areas tonight. High temperatures today 33 in the snow-packed northwest to 42 south. Lows tonight 18 north to 24 south. **Highs Tuesday 47 northeast to** 55 southwest.

South Texas - Clear and cold again tonight. Sunny and warmer Tuesday. Lows tonight in the 20s with near

freezing at the coast. Highs Tuesday in the 60s coastal bend and Rio Grande plains to the low 50s southeast Texas and upper coast.

**EXTENDED FORECAST** Wednesday through Friday

West Texas — Mostly fair and warm through the period with above normal temperatures. Panhandle: Highs mid 60s to near 70. Lows mid 30s to around 40. South Plains: Highs upper 60s to the mid 70s. Lows from the upper 30s to the mid 40s. Permian Basin and Concho Valley: Highs from near 70 to the mid 70s. Lows low 40s to near 50. Far West: Highs low to mid 70s. Lows mid to upper 40s. Big Bend: Highs from low 70s mountains to the mid 80s along the river. Lows from the mid 30s mountains to near 50 along the river.

North Texas - Mostly fair Wednesday through Friday with a warming trend. West and Central: Lows Wednesday in the 30s with highs in the 50s. Lows Thursday in the 40s with highs in the 60s. Lows Friday in the 50s with highs in the 70s. East: Lows Wednesday in the upper 20s to low 30s with highs in the 50s. Lows Thursday in the mid 30s to low 40s with

highs in the 60s. Lows Friday in the upper 40s to low 50s with

highs around 70. South Texas — No precipitation expected through Friday. Otherwise partly cloudy with a gradual warming trend. Lows Wednesday in the 20s Hill Country to the 40s extreme south and in the 30s elsewhere. Highs in the 60s. Lows Thursday in the 40s and 50s except in the 30s Hill Country. Highs mostly in the 70s. Lows Friday in the 50s except in the 40s Hill Country to near 60 extreme south. Highs generally in the

**BORDER STATES** New Mexico — Mostly sunny days with fair skies at night through Tuesday. Warmer afternoons, not as cold at night. Lows tonight teens to near 30 mountains and north with 20s to mid 30s elsewhere. Highs Tuesday 50s to mid 60s mountains and north with 60s

to mid 70s lower elevations Oklahoma - Mostly fair through Tuesday. Warmer statewide Tuesday. Cold tonight. Lows tonight 0 northeast to 20 Panhandle. Highs Tuesday low 30s northeast to

mid 608 Panhandle.

## Tower says he would face his critics on the Senate floor

By BRYAN BRUMLEY **Associated Press Writer** 

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary-designate John Tower says his "excessive drinking" in the past does not indicate any long-term problem and he would welcome the chance to defend his nomination on the Senate floor

Tower, appearing Sunday on the CBS-TV program Face the Nation, said he would not to ask that his nomination be withdrawn, arguing that the dispute over his selection has escalated beyond consideration of his qualifications.

The former senator repeated his pledge to stop drinking if confirmed as defense secretary, and he accused his detractors of hypocrisy.

Tower sought to deflect the most common criticism against him by drawing a distinction between the past heavy drinking he has acknowledged and an alcohol "abuse" problem that would disqualify him from sensitive military positions.

"I still have sip of wine now and

asked whether he had stopped drinking since pledging a week ago to do so if confirmed by the Senate. "Once confirmed, I will give it up altogether."

The chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., has said Tower would fail to qualify for a sensitive military position because of his history of drinking.

Tower denied that, and said "I would be disqualified if you could prove alcohol dependency or chronic alcoholism.... In the final analysis, it is a decision to be made by the commanding officer that should be based on hard evidence. In my particular instance, the president of the United States is the commanding officer.

"The fact is I am not alcoholdependent," Tower said. "There is no conclusive proof to the effect. As a matter of fact, the weight of proof seems to indicate otherwise

drinking in the 1970s," Tower said. "I've said excessive drinking, not alcohol abuse. ... There's a difference.'

Tower said he would relish a again," Tower responded when chance to appear on the Senate to appear in the Senate rests with



(AP Laserphoto)

"I've admitted to excessive Tower speaks on 'Face the Nation.'

floor to defend himself, as suggested by Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas.

The decision on allowing Tower Dole's suggestion.

newly chosen Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine. Mitchell opposes Tower's nomination, but has not ruled on

Dole, appearing on the ABC-TV program, This Week With David Brinkley, vowed "to fight this to the end.

"John Tower is the best-suited man in America. President Bush has said so, and he has the right to make the nomination because he won the election," Dole said.

The Tower nomination has threatened to undermine relations between the White House and Congress at the outset of the Bush administration. The Senate **Armed Services Committee** voted 11-9 against Tower on Feb. 23. splitting on partisan lines with Democrats in favor and Republicans against.

Democrats, led by Nunn, say they are troubled by reports of Tower's excessive drinking, extramarital affairs and his ties to defense and aerospace contrac-

One Democrat, Sen. Dennis De-Concini of Arizona, said on CNN that although many of the accusations against Tower had proved untrue, he decided to vote against the nomination because "it's risky to have someone with his background and the problems

he has had in that office." Tower said that the real issue is politics, not his personality.

"Senators are quite capable of changing their minds. I think there is an imminent possibility that minds will be changed as this situation plays out and as the arguments against me appear to be more thin," said Tower, who served 24 years in the Senate, including a 1981-84 stint as chairman of the Armed Services Com-

Tower discounted the results of a public opinion poll released Sunday by the Los Angeles Times, showing that 44 percent thought the Senate should reject Tower, 35 percent thought he should be confirmed and 21 percent were unsure. The survey of 1,046 adults last Wednesday and Thursday had a margin of error of 4 percentage points.

A Time magazine-CNN poll released Sunday found similarly weak public support for Tower, with just 31 percent favoring confirmation. The poll of 504 adults on Thursday had a sampling error of plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.

## Eastern warns pilots of 'economic suicide'

**By MARCY GORDON AP Business Writer** 

MIAMI (AP) — With rail commuters around the nation receiving a reprieve from chaos today, strike-torn Eastern Airlines warned pilots they were committing "economic suicide" by honoring Machinists' picket

Most of the 3,600 pilots, who are critical of Eastern's operations, have honored the strike by the airline's 8,500 mechanics, baggage handlers and ground crew.

The strike, in its third day, began over Eastern's demand for contract concessions and escalated a 17-month battle at the nation's seventh-largest airline.

Most of the airline's 4,800 flight attendants also honored the Machinists' pickets. The effects of the strike could spread Tuesday if the nation's pilots followed their union's request to strictly observe aviation rules starting that day.

Only 92 of Eastern's 1,000 daily flights took off Sunday, said Eastern spokesman Robin Matell. The pilots' union put the figure at 68. The sharp cuts in operations have stranded thousands of Eastern's usual 100,000 daily

passengers at airports around the country. The strike had threatened to spill over into a sympathy action today against 12 commuter railroads around the country, but the Machinists called off their plans Sunday after a judge in New York issued a temporary

ing Eastern picket lines there. Eastern President Phil Bakes, admitting that service has "been a mess," urged the

order banning railroad workers from honor-

pilots to return.

"Come back now and make this airline work." Bakes told a news conference Sun-'Come back for your families, come back for Eastern Airlines. ... We can make it

He also apologized to customers and admitted that the carrier had miscalculated when it had assured travelers there would be no major disruptions.

Charles Bryan, negotiator for the Machinists', did likewise.

"We feel very bad and certainly apologize for inconvenience to the traveling public," he said on ABC-TV's This Week With David Brinkley.

But, he added: "This is probably the purest classic case of evil versus good that's been seen in the history of organized labor. ... These people were not workers who were greedy or doing anything wrong.'

By honoring the pickets and virtually shutting down the carrier, pilots threatened Eastern's "very existence," Matell said Sunday. "By continuing to stay out, the pilots are committing economic suicide," he said.

The company late Sunday sent pilots a letter telling them to return to work before noon Tuesday or be classified as being on strike. Pilots who are placed in that classification and later go back to work will be required to sign a "preferential recall list," according to the letter from Frank Causey, Eastern's chief of pilot operations.

The wording appears to refer to last week's U.S. Supreme Court ruling that allowed Trans World Airways Inc. to reward flight attendants who crossed picket lines during a

strike by moving them up the seniority list over attendants who refused to work.

The pilots "wouldn't be surprised" if Eastern went to court charging the group with an illegal strike, union spokesman Skip Stokes

Thousands of anxious passengers holding tickets on canceled Eastern flights spent hours in lines that snaked around airport terminals, hoping to find seats on other airlines or get refunds

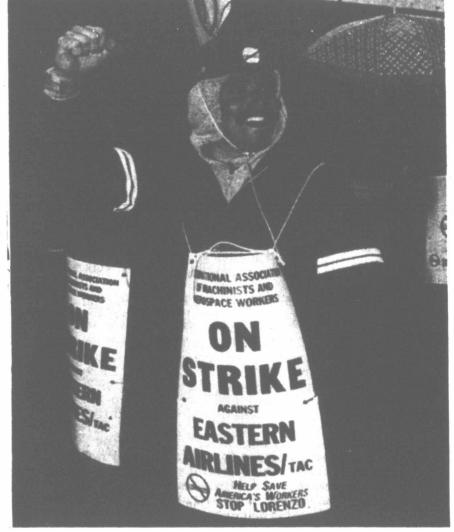
'I'm not flying this stinking airline again!" yelled John Vannua of New York's Long Island, who had been waiting three hours at Miami International Airport to have his ticket validated for another carrier.

Pickets chanted and baggage piled up at airports from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to Los Angeles and from Miami to New York. Some Eastern planes were stranded on Caribbean islands without crews, the company said.

In Washington, Air Line Pilots Association President Henry Duffy said his union was asking all pilots nationwide to strictly follow aviation rules starting Tuesday "to ensure the safety of the (air traffic) system," which he said had been weakened by the Eastern disruptions.

Duffy said the action would slow air traffic, but insisted that was not the intent.

Battered by years of labor tension and growing competition in the deregulated airline business, Eastern has racked up nearly \$2.5 billion in debt and claims daily losses of more than \$1 million. It wants \$150 million in concessions from the International Association of Machinists over four years; the union wants \$50 million in raises.



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Philip Mulle raises his fist on picket line in New York Sunday.

## Houston police response times under criticism

Off Beat

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cials are criticizing the Houston Police Department's emergency response times that shows officers get to the scene of calls from the exclusive River Oaks neighborhood faster than to those from crime-ridden neighborhoods.

"For life-threatening emergencies, the response times should be the same citywide," said City Councilman Dale Gorczvnski, who represents the crime-ridden Acres Homes area in north Houston. "There should be only minor variances in response times citywide. Four miFour minutes is a major difference.

A police spokesman says response times vary because the number of requests for help in any given neighborhood will vary, but some council members say that should not happen and police manpower should be increased and adjusted according to need.

According to police figures obtained by The Houston Post under the Texas Open Records Act, the response times across the city vary greatly, with some age response times in 1988 for all

HOUSTON (AP) — City offinutes is not a minor difference. neighborhoods receiving police response to Priority 1 calls in less than half the time of other neighborhoods.

The average response time to River Oaks emergency calls was 6.7 minutes while police get to calls from Acres Homes residents in an average of 10.7 minutes, the newspaper reported Sunday.

Police Chief Lee Brown has said his goal is to have police responding to Priority 1 calls in less than five minutes.

The Post requested the aver-

I then prayed. I don't think I mentioned anything

When the prayer was over, God gave me his

out loud about there not being enough food to go

answer. My wife came darting in the door with a

shopping bag of spaghetti to feed the hungry horde.

had in his loaves and fishes episode, but we weren't

I don't think we had all the leftovers that Jesus

These Lenten dinners have taught me why God

I can imagine Moses trying to figure out how to

"OK, so it's settled. For dinner tonight we have

"Quail? Again? Let's have pork chops. I know

"What about a pancake supper? Baptists are

always having pancake suppers. We're God's

chosen people. Why don't we ever get a pancake

picked up those fancy tablets God had given them

Finally Moses got so tired of the whole mess he

The ideas of church committees was squashed

However, in subsequent years, this committee

thing has picked up new steam. A few more Lenten

dinners, though, and we'll remember why God

manna and quail. All in favor, say Aye," Moses

they ain't kosher, but hey, we're reformed."

always called one person to lead his people. Work-

feed several million hungry Israelites while using

around, but the Lord knew what I was thinking.

103 police beats in which the department assigns its officers for patrol duties. While the department had the capability of pulling that information from its computer-aided dispatch system, police officials had never asked for response times broken down that

way, a police spokesman said. The numbers show a wide disparity in the response times throughout the city, with police generally getting to emergencies quicker inside Loop 610 and slower to sparsely populated areas near the city limits.

Generally, northwest Houston fared better than northeast Houston, and the southwest fared better than the southeast, where only one police beat was below the citywide average of 8.3 minutes for 1988, the newspaper said.

Some affluent neighborhoods, like River Oaks, received good police response, but other affluent neighborhoods, like Inwood Forest in northwest Houston, had an average response time of 10.2 minutes, The Post High-crime areas plagued with

drug dealers did not appear to have received much quicker response times during the year, the newspaper said.

In fact, the police beat in which Acres Homes is located had an increase in average police response from a low of 7.6 minutes last February to a high of 13 mi-

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## Moses didn't face pot-luck dinners

I feel confident in saying the people at our church are the finest group of cooks found in any congregation anywhere. The quarterly pot-luck dinners after church car-

ry the air of dining at some of the fine restaurants around the world. You want Mexican? We've got a lady who makes

enchiladas so good you almost hate to swallow. There's a guy who fixes such a wonderful brisket, if he were to go commercial, the other barbecue places would close out of shame. We take great pride in not only our religious

heritage, but also our culinary skills. You wanta' join our church, you better know about the holy trinity: Father, Son and Betty Crocker. So every year we get together and put together Wednesday night fund-raising dinners during the

Lenten season. And every year each of these fine cooks privately wonders how the other members of the church ever managed to boil water. Take for example the night we fixed beans and cornbread. There was the matter of how many

pounds of beans to buy. "Oh, ten pounds of beans oughta be enough."

Ten pounds it was. "Ten pounds? You feeding an army?" We reduced to eight pounds.

"Eight pounds? Are they all going to go out for hamburgers later? You're gonna have some mighty hungry people on your hands and not enough food." We went back to ten pounds.

It turned out ten pounds of pinto beans was a little on the high side, but we sold the leftovers and made a tidy profit. Everybody got to think "I told you so" without fear of contradiction.

The night we made spaghetti, we shot low by a sizeable margin. As the line for food got longer, the supply of spaghetti and sauce got shorter. I did what any good Christian would do, I made a

speech.

"If we could," I announced, "let's stop a moment and pray over this wonderful meal. Before we do, though, I'd like to share a word with you about our upcoming National Youth Gathering in Denver, for which all of tonight's profits are going toward."

I filled them in on every detail of the upcoming trip, thanking them for their ardent support. If they knew I was stalling for time, no one said any-

# Viewpoints



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#### **Opinion**

## Terrorist cancer may force crisis

The U.S. effort to liberate Nicaragua from communism may go down in history as a parallel to the effort to keep South Vietnam free from conquest by Communist North Korea. In both cases questionable American strategy, pursued by faint-hearted American leaders, sabotaged efforts that might have succeeded if given a chance

Last month leaders of Central America's four democracies — Honduras, El Salvador, Costa Rica and Guatemala — met with Comandante Daniel Ortega, boss of the Soviet-backed communist junta in Nicaragua, to sign the death certificate of the Nicaraguan democratic resistance. They agreed to draw up a program within 90 days that will disband the Contras and remove them from the bases in Central America.

In doing so, the four democracies have also signed up for a future of terrorism sponsored by Ortega's Sandinistas. Since the Contras were abandoned a year and a half ago by Ronald Reagan, the Sandinistas have been strengthening their grip in Nicaragua and turning their martial focus to El Salvador. In recent months El Salvador has suffered a new offensive by the FMLN, the communist terrorists supported by the Sandinistas, Communist Culfa and the Soviet Union.

What faces us, then, is the prospect of a toppling of Central American dominoes to communism. First El Salvador, then Guatemala, Honduras and Costa Rica may fall. If so, then will Mexico be far behind?

When he came to power, Reagan took charge of the Contras, made them dependent on Washington's strategies and weapons, then abandoned them. Yet before that they had made great strides, getting arms and suppplies from sources other than the U.S. government. If they had made gradual progress without Reagan's help, by now they would be in much better position to take advantage of the economic collapse the Sandinistas have caused. Instead, they trusted Ronald Reagan and the U.S. govern-

President Bush seems to have abandoned any efforts to revive the Contras. There's the chance that some South American nations, Brazil and Argentina, might recognize the Sandinistas' imperial threat to the hemisphere and intervene for the Contras. But these countries have their own internal

Bush thus faces a cancer spreading across Central America, leaving in its wake political murder, starvation, economic collapse and slavery. It may prove the greatest crisis of his administration.

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## Berry's World

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## Churches should be nervous

WASHINGTON - Justice Antonin Scalia called it a "judicial demolition project," and a more accurate description could not be devised. In its decision of Feb. 21 in the Texas Monthly case, the Supreme Court played havoc with 200 years of law governing the taxation of church

The consequences of this stunning decision cannot yet be fully gauged. By clever implication, the age-old exemptions granted to the real property of religious institutions may now be in jeopardy. Real-world demolitions typically leave clouds of dust behind, and this case leaves a metaphorical mountain of debris that will have to be sorted out in years to come.

These were the facts. Prior to October 1984, Texas exempted virtually all magazine subscriptions from its sales tax. Then the broad exemption was repealed, but an exemption was retained for periodicals "that are published or distributed by a religious faith and that consist wholly of writings promulgating the teaching of the faith and books that consist wholly of writings sacred to a religious faith.

The Texas Monthly, a general interest magazine, paid sales taxes of \$149,000 in 1985 under protest, and then sued for a refund. The magazine contended that the exemption for religious periodicals violated First Amendment's ban upon laws favoring an establishment of religion.

A trial court agreed, but a Texas appellate court reversed. The magazine then appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court and won. Texas Monthly will get its money back

The high court not only demolished precedents. It blew itself to pieces also. Justice William Brennan announced the court's judgment, holding the exemption unconstitutional, but



Brennan could persuade only Thurgood Marshall and John Stevens to join his opinion.

Justice Byron White concurred in the judgment, but on entirely different grounds. Justice Harry Blackmun also concurred in the judgment, but his reasoning could not be seen through the fog of his opinion. Justice Sandra Day O'Connor joined Blackmun. Justice Scalia wrote a scathing dissent in which Justice Anthony Kennedy and Chief Justice William Rehnquist joined. Out of such compound fractures is the law left limping.

This much is clear. A state may not constitutionally single out church books and publications and exempt them from a sales tax. That holding in itself demolishes statutory tax exemptions in at least 13 states. Scalia surmised a tax on the religious literature typically offered for sale in church foyers.

But as Scalia pointed out, Brennan's opinion also affects all kinds of church transactions Federal law exempts ministers from the rental value of the rectories they occupy. At least 45 states grant specific exemptions in other areas. Most of the 45 exempt real property taxation on church buildings, parsonages and the like.

Alabama exempts "libraries of ministers of the gospel." California and Idaho exempt meals served by a religious institution. Georgia, South Dakota and Washington exempt a tax on sacramental wine. Virginia and Missouri charge no tax on church-owned automobiles. Mississippi exempts from its amusement tax those programs "consisting entirely of gospel singing and not generally mixed with hillbilly or popular singing.'

Brennans's wrecking ball badly damaged the landmark case of Walz v. Tax Commissioner. In that case, decided in 1970, the court approved New York City's tax exemption for "religious properties used solely for religious worship.' Brennan also knocked great gaping holes in two other cases, known as Murdock (1943) and Follett (1944), holding that license taxes may not be imposed upon persons selling tracts or Bibles door to door.

The bitterly divided court seems not to know what in heaven to do with cases involving a conflict between the Establishment Clause and the Free Exercise Clause.

At least three justices absolutely oppose any special privilege for religion. Three other justices tend to tolerate a nodding acquaintance between church and state. The other three are now here, and now there. At this term the constitutionality of a Christmas creche may depend upon the square root of the distance between the

creche and the local courthouse. Because of the court's three-way division in the Texas Monthly case, Brennan's opinion will have limited value as a precedent. Even so, the decision will encourage atheists and other nonchurchgoers to leap into litigation. If church treasurers are not nervous, they ought to be.



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I was invited to address this year's NADA convention, which overflowed New Orleans. Sixty percent of the exhibitors who had made kets. deposits hoping to reserve space had their deposits returned when the enormous convention hall ran out of room.

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level activities.

Automobile dealers, traditionally fiercely independent, are presently confronted with challenges requiring cooperation.

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And another thing:

Competition looms from gigantic "auto marts" where, under one wide roof, several car makers might be marketed around a single gigantic service department.

The "auto mart" or "autoplex" may be a mul-

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An autoplex opening next year in suburban Detroit will involve an 80,000-square-foot building on 20 acres.

Car dealers need a lot of parking space. For an individual dealer this involves a lot of costly front feet, usually in a high-tax area. The autoplex is an inevitable evolution for some.

Though auto dealers are not without challenges, I was impressed by NADA's emphasis on "customer satisfaction," on "safety campaigning," on conscientious concern for selfdiscipline. We've come a long way from the old "sell 'em and forget 'em" strategy of the past.

Competition from overseas, whatever its negative impact, has made available to Americans the finest cars ever and related service that are improving every day.

## How has revolution shaped the world?

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

It is well to step back, occasionally, from the flux of daily events and contemplate for a moment the larger developments that have shaped our lives. This year we are celebrating, or at any rate observing, the 200th anniversary of the French Revolution, and it certainly falls in that latter category. In terms of modern history, it almost bears comparison with the Big Bang: The globe is still reverberating from the explosion.

Unquestionably, much of the inspiration for the French Revolution was drawn from its American predecessor, which had broken out 13 years earlier and was only finally concluded by treaty in 1783. But the American Revolution, though equally vast in its consequences, was politically speaking a much more limited affair than the one that began in France in 1789.

The American colonies sought their independence from Britain to realize their own conception of ordered freedom. The French overthrew their feudal monarchy and aristocracy, then fell into a long quarrel over what was to replace them. Out from under the rock of the French Revolution there has crawled, in the succeeding two centuries, along with much that is admirable, just about every pernicious tendency that has afflicted modern

It is only fair to recognize that both the American and French revolutions were heavily stimulated by a still broader phenomenon, the Industrial Revolution, and also by that general growth and spread of knowledge in the 18th century that came to be known as the Enlightenment. But the Americans managed to absorb these stimuli without being bowled over by them. The post-revolution intellectuals of 19th century France and of continental Europe generally, on the other hand, conceived of themselves as

living in almost a brand-new world. The basic difference was that man would henceforth assume responsibility for his own destiny. Neither God nor king would prescribe for him: He

would be answerable only to the neutral, implacable laws of science. In political terms, this collapse of religious and monarchical authority resulted in the idealization of the nation-state.

With the end of World War I in 1918 these processes were largely complete, and the curtain rose on the characteristic tableau of the 20th century: newly "conscious" masses, uprooted from the traditions that had modulated their behavior, being hurled across the landscape by ambitious charismatics and dying by the millions. The softer brands of 19th century socialism were succeeded by the harsh prescriptions of Marxism-Leninism; the national pride that had united first Italy and then Germany

Meanwhile, the nation that had developed out of the American Revolution was making its way, as one of the 20th century's major powers, to the forefront of world attention. With all its defects, the United States was by 1980 indisputably the most successful

was transmuted into a rabid fascism.

model yet devised for the encouragement of human happiness.

Slowly at first, and then with growing speed and in growing numbers, the rest of the world's nations had begun to follow America's political and economic example. In recent years, incredibly, even the Soviet Union and China have lurched in its direction.

In a sense, therefore, the final years of the 20th century are witnessing the triumph of the basic principles of the American Revolution over those that emerged in time from the French.

But America's Founding Fathers, living as they did amid the flux and ferment of the late 18th century, deliberately left open certain important questions that they were well aware future generations would have to face. Most notably perhaps: If science cannot always truly guide mankind, what - or Who - can?

That is the great question that will dominate the intellectual life of 21st century man - and indeed of the human race in all the centuries ahead, until it is answered.

## Mouse experiments pointing way to possible MD

NEW YORK (AP) — In a finding hailed as an exciting step toward treating humans for the most common form of muscular dystrophy, scientists have corrected a muscle defect in mice by injecting immature muscle cells.

Mice that could not make a protein called dystrophin in their muscles began to produce it after the injections, two teams of researchers report.

In humans, lack of the protein causes Duchenne muscular dystrophy, the most common and severe form of the disease.

The research represents "the most exciting approach for human therapy that, in my opinion, has ever come along," said Donald Wood, director of research for the Muscular Dystrophy Associa-

Preliminary experiments in a limited number of Duchenne patients may begin this summer, after researchers from several nations meet in June to discuss the issues involved, Wood said.

Those studies, focusing on single muscles or a few muscles, could lead to larger human studies. It is too early to say when the injection procedure could be made widely available, if it proves useful,

One mouse study was performed by Louis Kunkel and Eric Hoffman of Harvard Medical School. Childrens Hospital and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in Boston, and Terry Partridge and others at the Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School in London.

"We basically have the first step toward a poten-

tial to do therapeutics. It looks promising," said Kunkel said in a recent interview.

Their study is "extremely exciting work," said Theodore Munsat, professor of neurology and pharmacology at the Tufts University Medical School and director of neuromuscular research at the New England Medical Center Hospital in Boston

The other mouse research was done by George Karpati and colleagues at the Neuromuscular Research Group of the Montreal Neurological Insti-

Both studies were presented at a recent meeting of muscular dystrophy researchers in Perth, Au-

Duchenne muscular dystrophy is a genetic dis-

order that strikes boys almost exclusively, appearing in about one in every 3,500 male births in the United States. It causes a progressive weakening and wasting of voluntary muscles. Most patients must use wheelchairs by age 12, and most die in their early 20s.

The experiments tested an experimental therapy using immature muscle cells called myoblasts, which normally help repair muscle fibers that have broken because of injury or strenuous

Researchers injected myoblasts into mice that lacked dystrophin and found that the myoblasts fused with muscle fibers. Once inside a fiber the myoblast nucleus provided a gene that allowed the fiber to begin producing dystrophin.

## Congress after Bush on strike

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Eastern Airlines strike this week is likely to become the second major confrontation between President Bush and a Democratic Congress already battling over John Tower's nomination as defense secretary.

The aviation subcommittee of the House Public Works Committee will hold a hearing Tuesday on Bush's refusal to intervene hours before 8,500 striking Machinists union members with support from pilots and flight attendants virtually shut down the nation's seventh largest air-

Bush on Friday rejected the recommendation of federal mediators and 33 senators to appoint an emergency board and order a 60-day cooling-off period that would have forestalled the strike. Administration officials said Bush would not allow unions to wage "economic blackmail."

That decision - which had been sought by the management of Eastern and the head of its parent company, Texas Air Chairman Frank Lorenzo — was the first time in the 63-year history of the National Mediation Board that a president has rejected its

Anticipating Bush's decision, Reps. Glenn Anderson, D-Calif., and James Oberstar, D-Minn., respectively chairmen of the **Public Works Committee and its** aviation subcommittee, introduced a bill last Thursday directing the president to empanel an emergency board and order the strikers back to work.

"I think the president got bad advice and his organization just misjudged the circumstances." Oberstar said Sunday. "Some outside force needs to be brought to bear to resolve this. The Machinists would be constrained to accept the recommendation of even a George Bush board."

Instead, Bush and Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner said the administration would ask Congress to outlaw secondary boycotts in the transportation industry if Machinists put up picket lines at other airlines and railroads to cripple them as well.

Tower said Sunday he would relish a chance to appear on the Senate floor this week to defend himself, as suggested by the Senate Republican leader, Sen. Bob **Dole of Kansas. Senate Majority** Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, has not responded to Dole's suggestion.

Congress will continue hear-

ings Tuesday through Friday on Bush's proposal to bail out depositors in savings and loan associations who sought federally insured high interest rates under deregulation from now insolvent S&Ls.

The Congressional Budget Office last week put the 10-year cost to taxpayers of Bush's S&L plan at \$84 billion to \$110 billion, compared to the \$1.5 billion government stake in bailing out the Chrysler Corp. in 1980.

However, unlike the federal loan guarantees that were repaid by Chrysler when it again turned profitable, no one ever expects the government to recoup the money that Bush is asking taxpayers to shell out for the S&L depositors.

Another skirmish between the administration and Congress will occur Wednesday when the Senate Labor Committee is scheduled to write a new bill to raise the minimum wage from its current \$3.35 an hour to \$4.65 over three years.

The bill is identical to one proposed last year by the committee's chairman, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., that failed last summer in the face of a Republican filibuster.

### Amalie Long poses beside the million-gallon concrete tank. West Texas' million-gallon oil tank finally gains its historical marker

By MIKE WHEELER The Odessa American

MONAHANS (AP) — Wayne Long would have been proud.

A state historical marker finally has been erected at Long's 1-million-gallon concrete oil tank built in Monahans more than 60 years ago.

Long has been dead for eight years. 'The day before he died, which was my birthday, he said we'd do something with it," his wife, Amalie Long, 71, said. "He said if nothing else, he'd fill it with a million kisses. Now something's been done with it and I think Wayne would be

Also at the site of the huge open tank, located just east of Monahans on U.S. 80, is a growing West Texas museum that includes the old wooden Ward County Jail, two old railroad buildings, a bright red Union Pacific Railroad caboose, the restored Holman House Hotel and numerous pieces of antique farm equipment

- Mrs. Long said her husband was fascinated with the tank, which was designated a Texas historical site on Jan. 29.

"I don't remember exactly how he found it way back then. It was located way out of town. But I remember that he was mesmerized by it. He saw it immediately as a tourist attraction.

Shell Oil Co. built the tank in 1928 to store Texas crude. The tank, about the size of three football fields, could hold 1 million barrels of oil.

Long bought it and about 65 acres of surrounding

Mrs. Long said the oil company filled the tank with oil only once. "But if you remember, that was during the Depression days and a barrel of oil then would probably have been worth about as much as a bale of hay," she said.

In the early 1950s, Mrs. Long said her husband failed in an attempt to get Monahans to purchase the tank, even though Shell Oil would have let the town lease it for only \$1 a year.

"He became almost obsessed with getting the tank. And he finally did," Mrs. Long said.

The Longs then devised ways to lure tourists to the tank, and they decided to fill it with water.

They drilled eight water wells but kept hitting oil. The tank eventually was filled with water, but the wells scarely kept pace with evaporation.

(AP Laserphoto)

A try at stocking the tank with fish didn't work. Boats and skiing came next. "We did have two water skiing shows in the tank," Mrs. Long said. "The first one and the last one on the same day. And the water just kept evaporating.

Keeping the tank filled with water proved impossible. So the Longs staged demolition derbys, hot rod races and archery tournaments inside the

"Someone even once looked at the tank as a storage place for grain. But he said he didn't have all the grain in the United States, and that's what he'd need to fill it," Mrs. Long said.

Despite their finest efforts, tank shows never made much of a splash. Eventually, the huge cement bowl sat idle and Wayne Long died, Mrs. Long said.

The 1986 Texas' Sesquicentennial prompted renewed interest in the tank. "We decided we wanted to make the tank something ... anything," Mrs. Long said. "So we decided to create a museum dedicated to West Texas eras.'

There were several offers after her husband's death from buyers interested in the tank, Mrs. Long said. "But I just could never turn it loose." While sifting through Long's possessions, she

found a written message saying that Long might give the tank to the county. "So I did just that." She donated the tank and about 15 acres of nearby land to the county and work on the Million Barrel Museum began.

The museum was officially dedicated in May 1987. Since the museum's opening, more than 10.000 people from 37 states and nine foreign countries have visited, said the museum's curator, 48year-old Carolyn Hunter.

"The most memorable visit was a group of Japanese men," Hunter said. "They got out of their car and began to look around. I greeted them, but they never said anything. Just looked at me like I'd lost my marbles

"I found out that only one of them spoke English and only a little at that," she said. "I spent the next 4½ hours explaining why there weren't 1 million actual barrels of oil stacked here.

Landry could be new drug czar

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboys coach Tom Landry could be the new anti-drug czar of Texas, if Gov. Bill Clements has

Clements reportedly is persuing Landry for a newly created, senior administration job to coordinate the state's anti-drug efforts through all state agencies dealing with drug problems.

'Governor Clements has a longtime friendship with Tom Landry," Clements' top aide, Reggie Bashur, told the Dallas Times Herald Sunday. "The governor has tremendous respect for the coach, and he has said that he would like to talk with coach Landry and see what type of public service activity he might want to be involved in.

"Right now, it's in the very preliminary discussion," Bashur told The Associated Press.

Landry, 64, who was released from the Cowboys last month after 29 years as its only coach, is vacationing in Palm Springs. Calif., until the end of March and was not available for comment.

"Texas spends about \$50 million on anti-drug efforts, which are dispersed throughout a number of agencies," Bashur told The Associated Press. "Coach Landry, as a drug czar, would become the leading spokesman in term of the education and informational

programs and would help in terms of coordination.'

The state's drug prevention, treatment and education programs currently are administered by the state's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. A 1988 study showed the state spent less per capita to fund drug and alcohol programs than any other state surveyed, behind California, at \$2.90, and New York, at

Legislators, acknowledging the lack of adequate drug programs, are pushing for millions of dollars in new drug programs as a means of cutting at the roots of

## 'wo trains collide near Glasgow

GLASGOW, Scotland (AP) Two commuter trains collided today outside Glasgow, and initial Fire Brigade reports said one person was killed and as many as

40 may have been injured. It was the second rail collision in Britain in 48 hours. A crash Saturday on the outskirts of London killed five people and injured

Jack Stewart, a Fire Brigade senior divisional officer, said details of today's crash were sketchy, but that he knew of one

Stewart said two or three people were trapped in the wreckage. He said there were 30 to 40

other casualties, but added these could include people suffering

only from shock "It is a serious incident. There are people trapped and casualties are being taken to the Royal Infirmary, Victoria Infirmary and Western Infirmary," the ambulance service reported.

Scotrail spokesman Archie Birt said the two trains were traveling in opposite directions between the Glasgow suburbs of Springburn and Nilngavie when they collided at 12:39 p.m. outside the Bellgrove station, two miles from the center of Glasgow.

At least one of the trains derailed, Birt said.

Scotrail is a branch of stateowned British Rail, whose safety procedures are under severe criticism following two serious accidents in the London area in less than three months.

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- d. a text addition to explain emergency ringback.

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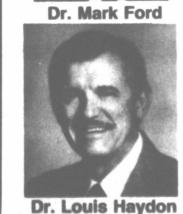


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## Workshop for blind in Lubbock facing wage investigation



Adam and Martha Moreno lead other employees on

By WENDY E. LANE **Associated Press Writer** 

LUBBOCK (AP) — The Southwest Lighthouse for the Blind was founded to provide employment and rehabilitation for the visually impaired.

But in the past seven months, blind workers have gone on strike over wages and working conditions, one Lighthouse workshop was closed and 13 employees laid off. Now the workshop is being asked to prove the \$2.05 an hour it pays most blind employees doesn't violate the Fair Labor Standards Act.

"I think they're trying to have more of a factory out there than to do something for the blind," says David Rocco, a former Lighthouse worker who led the workers' strike in August and was laid off in January.

The wage dispute began in August when 14 blind workers, wearing signs reading "Lighthouse wages are from the Dark Ages" while carrying their white canes, walked off their jobs to protest the \$2.05 hourly wage and their \$65-a-month health insurance fee.

The strikers demanded the same \$3.35 minium wage that Lighthouse pays sighted workers doing the same job

The workers returned to their jobs two weeks later after union cards were distributed. The National Labor Relations Board has since ordered a union election, and negotiations have begun between Lighthouse and the Teamsters.

The U.S. Labor Department is investigating the workshop's wages, and Lighthouse officials are scheduled to appear next month before an administrative law judge to defend the separate wage scales for blind and sighted employees.

A non-profit organization started in a Lubbock garage in 1955, the Lighthouse now employs 55 workers- about 40 of whom are blind and five staff members, said director Bob

Those figures are disputed by Rocco and Lighthouse worker Joe Morales, who said only 25 blind workers are employed there. "There are more sighted people there than blind," said Morales, who was laid off in January but later rehired.

The facility is under contract to the federal government to produce military items such as helmet chin straps and pads.

"We're a rehabilitative facility," said Crane. "We like to take people, train them

and place them in the private sector." He said, however, that most people who come to work at the Lighthouse remain there because they aren't capable of working else-

Crane acknowledged that the organization, which is supported by its government contracts and donations, is suffering financially. He declined to comment further on the sub-

Lighthouse officials also refused comment on the pending hearing or the wage dispute.

According to workshop officials' testimony at the NLRB hearing, the Lighthouse posted a profit on its sales to the government for 1987, but finished its 1988 fiscal year in the

In October the Lighthouse closed its Amarillo workshop, which employed 20, citing financial problems.

In January, 13 workshop employees, including Rocco and two others who participated in the strike, were laid off. Lighthouse officials said there wasn't enough work and materials for them.

The Lighthouse dispute comes at a time when he blind are increasingly questioning their treatment at such facilities. About 100 sheltered workshops employ 6,000 visually impaired people nationwide.

'When you're paying \$2.10 an hour you're going to have a lot of wage disputes," said **National Federation for the Blind President** Mark Maurer. "It's not enough money to live

Employees at workshops in Houston and Cincinnati have formed unions in the wake of wage and labor disputes, while unionization efforts by workers in Little Rock, Ark., were denied by an appeals court.

The Cincinnati case, in which blind workers at the Cincinnati Association of the Blind sought to unionize, went to the U.S. Supreme Court. In 1982 the high court let stand a lowercourt ruling that the workshop had to recognize the workers as a bargaining unit. The workshop had argued the workers were clients receiving rehabilitation rather than private employees.

Lighthouse officials used the same argument in the NRLB hearing.

A national advocacy group for the blind maintains that in many workshops, the blind are exploited, not rehabilitated.

"Blind people have been exploited in workshops since workshops came into being,' said James Gashel, director of governmental affairs for the National Federation of the Blind in Baltimore.

Part of the issue stems from a clause of the Fair Labor Standards Act which allows sheltered workshops to pay subminimum wages.

The provision states that a subminimum wage must be paid according to how much the worker produces compared to an experienced, non-impaired worker in the same job.

The Lighthouse employees are the first to take action under a 1986 addition to the law that allows them to question their wages. The National Federation of the Blind is seeking to have the subminimum wage provision

While the workshops are set up as benevolent institutions, Maurer said, such facilities underestimate the capabilities of the blind.

"What they think is that if you're blind you can't really be expected to do anything much," he said. "They think that if they're giving you \$2 an hour they're being charit-

"It's unreasonable to expect someone to produce and then not be paid for their produc-

picket line last August.

## U.S. officials concerned about drug trade in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S.officials are concerned that Afghanistan, already a principal opium producer, could become an even greater source of illicit narcotics in the wake of the Soviet troop withdrawal.

one who is interested in this against the Soviet occupiers, traissue," said Ann Wrobleski, the "ditional agriculture has been assistant secretary of state for made nearly impossible in many narcotics affairs.

Wrobleski, in discussing the de-

partment's annual narcotics control report, said the problem is likely to be aggravated when the estimated 3 million to 5 million Afghan refugees return to their

In the wake of the destruction "Afghanistan ... worries every-caused by the nine-year war regions:

"As we see refugees moving

back into a war-torn country where there is no strong central government, we see them returning to a fairly easy, quick, profitable means of supporting themselves," Wrobleski said.

"Therefore, the prediction is that output of opium will increase out of Afghanistan, which then leads to a chain reaction of increased heroin moving through Pakistan," she added.

Throughout the opium-

producing region that also includes Iran, Burma and Laos, "prospects are not good" for any reduction in the opium trade in

the coming year, Wrobleski said. With some 700-800 metric tons produced last year, Afghanistan is second only to Burma in opium production in Southern Asia, the report said.

"Compounding U.S. government frustration at increasing worldwide opium supplies is the world's opium production takes place in areas in which the United States has little or no access such as Afghanistan, Lebanon, Laos and Burma," the report

The United States long warned the Mujahedeen rebels against producing and smuggling drugs to support their war effort against the Soviets. With the Soviets gone, the rebels are now

fact that about 90 percent of the attempting to overthrow the communist regime of strongman Najibullah.

> "Current agricultural production is roughly half of the prewar level, insufficient to support the existing population, let along the large numbers of returning refugees," says James Phillips, a senior policy analyst at the conservative Washington think tank, the Heritage Foundation.

## Federal agencies bend rules in drug battle

agents conducting risky undercover operations have bent rules and lost control of tons of cocaine and marijuana in an escalating. multibillion-dollar drug war with no victory in sight, the Houston Chronicle reported.

The government's recent focus on seizure of the drug trade's assets has enriched the anti-drug war chest, but also has encouraged overzealousness and sometimes casual regard for rules governing seizures and forfeitures, the newspaper reported in a copyright story Sunday.

And despite enforcement efforts, most smuggling attempts succeed and the war on drugs is, even according to the most optimistic views, only holding its ground.

A two-month Chronicle investigation has revealed that tons of cocaine and marijuana smuggled into the country by operatives of the U.S. Customs Service and the federal Drug Enforcement Admihistration have ended up on the street because of botched undercover operatives.

Federal officials also have violated departmental policies and possibly federal law by taking shortcuts in the seizure of millions of dollars of personal property suspected of being used in drug-related transactions, the newspaper said.

David Westrate, the DEA assistant administrator of operations, denied his agency conducts its business improperly and said the criminal justice system provides the ultimate in oversight to detect governmental abuse - review by a federal judge and jury.

"I can guarantee that if we were doing things improperly, we would be hearing from the federal judges about it, and we're not," Westrate said. "We have an extremely high conviction rate and extremely high sentences. So I think the record shows that we're being quite successful."

By Protection

tion found that seizures of drug assets — much touted as a means of gutting high-level drug traffickers — sometimes may have

violated federal policy and law. At a media event in Houston last July, for example, U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm presented the Texas Department of Public Safety with a \$1.2 million plane seized by U.S. Customs in a drug operation. But the court action required to forfeit the plane wasn't filed until three weeks later. A federal judge awarded the plane to the state in December.

Between 5,000 and 7,000 pounds of marijuana got away from agents and operatives last year in a plot to gain the confidence of reputed Colombian drug lord Bernardo-Londono Quintero. The pot was part of a 26,000-pound shipment DEA operatives brought into the country for Quintero's associate, Saul Hernandez

The DEA flew the marijuana to Phoenix, Ariz., in July 1984, but Hernandez became suspicious and refused to send his U.S. contacts to pick it up. The DEA sought other buyers for the marijuana and eventually agreed to sell the dope for \$3.2 million to two groups in Michigan. The **DEA** delivered the pot in August 1984, split it up among the buyers and then moved in to seize it, but lost track of at least 5,000 pounds, agents testified.

The investigation failed to nab either of the original targets. Top federal officials acknowledge that dope occasionally has reached the marketplace as agents and informants assumed the role of drug importers in

undercover investigations. In fact, the DEA agent's manual sets out rules and guidelines for extraordinary circumstances in which drugs may be furnished by DEA or in which known drug shipments may get through without being seized.

HOUSTON (AP) — Federal But the Chronicle's investiga— Such action requires consulta— cials, in cooperation with local tion with a U.S. attorney and a determination that it is necessary to avoid compromising an operation, to protect agents or informants, to prosecute top-level drug traffickers or to interrupt

drug traffic. But when the operations don't go as planned, drugs imported under federal scrutiny sometimes ends up on the streets, usually entering the United States along the Texas-Mexico

border. Heriberto Medrano, a defense attorney specializing in narcotics cases, said federal drug agents and prosecutors fully realize that criminal informants often double-cross their supervising agents and smuggle drugs into the country without authority.

The informants are seldom prosecuted, he said, because federal authorities must protect the informants' credibility so they can testify against defendants in cases resulting from the undercover investigations.

Westrate admitted that informants sometimes attempt to smuggle drugs on their own, but said the agency takes action when that happens.

Poor communication between the different federal, state and local agencies involved in drug investigations also has caused confusion for undercover agents, the Chronicle said.

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Status symbols change with each generation. Today they may be fancy cars, high-priced watches, or ultra-tech stereo/video systems. In past centuries they were the mounted heads of wild animals, libraries full of books, and artifacts that displayed their owners' education and travel ex-

Globes have always been very special. Terrestial and celestial globes were important status symbols in the 18th and early 19th centuries. They were necessary for those who wished to discuss world travel or astronomy, but they were also very expensive, since they were made by talented workmen who could produce only a few each year.

The first celestial globe, or map of the stars, was made about 200 B.C. Terrestial globes were not made until the idea was accepted that the world was round. Globes picturing the land and the seas were made by 1500, some showing the great new discoveries across the ocean. The very special talents needed to make accurate globes flourished in Holland from the 1500s to the middle of the 1700s. Any globe made before 1850, and especially matching pairs of terrestial and celestial globes, are rare and valuable.

Q: I was given a shaving mug as a gift. It has a hand-painted butterfly motif in brown and blue. ~ There is a 3-D picture in the bot-

tom when it is held to the light. It is a barroom scene with a woman and two men. Can you tell me about it?

A: You probably own a beer stein, not a shaving mug. A stein would be held up to the light when it was empty so the picture could be seen. A shaving mug would be kept on a counter and there would be no point to its having a picture.

The picture in your stein is a lithophane. The china base was molded so that some parts, the parts with the picture, were thinner so that a certain amount of light could get through. Lithophanes were popular for lampshades, steins, teacup bottoms, and as plaques to hang at the window. Your stein could be as old as 100 years or as new as today. They are still being made.

Q: When were cloisonne enamel birds made? How can I tell it I own an old or a new one. I still see them in some stores.

A: Cloisonne has been made in the Orient for centuries. Most types found date back to the early 19th century. Small metal strips were soldered to the metal bird and the spaces between the strips were filled with colored enamel. Then the entire piece was polished until the surface was smooth. It is sometimes difficult to realize that the brass lines in a piece are actually small pieces of

Animal and bird figures were made this way in the 19th and 20th centuries. The figures represent all types of Chinese and African

creatures, such as deers, horses, rams, water buffaloes, elephants, cranes, turtles, rhinoceroses and even fanciful dragons and foo dogs

Poorly made modern examples can easily be recognized as new, but the best of today's copies will often fool all but an expert. They are made in the same manner as the older ones.

Q: Were house plants used in average American homes before 1850?

A: It is not easy to keep plants alive in a cold, drafty room. Central heating made indoor plants easier to grow, and it was not until the 1800s that homes were heated by a system that made it possible to grow plants indoors. Insecticides were unknown, so bugs were killed with alcohol, soap suds, tobacco, red pepper or other home remedies. Not everyone wanted houseplants. Some people thought that it was unhealthy to sleep in a room with plants. Some people even believed that vampires lived in certain flowers.

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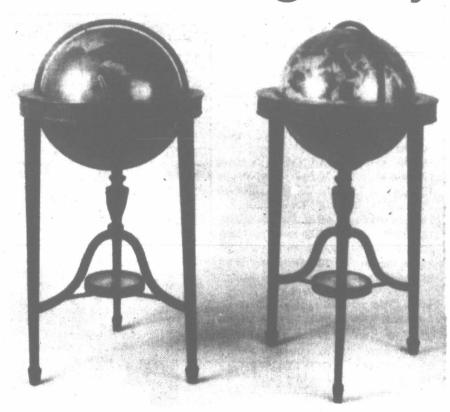
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**Melissa Snow** 



## Poor image curse of

DEAR ABBY: In a recent letter, a high school senior (I'll call him John) accused a girl of stealing his girlfriend's expensive bomber jacket. He made this accusation publicly in a crowded school lunchroom. Actually, the girl had bought the jacket herself from money she had saved from baby-sitting. The poor girl was humiliated and fled in tears. John learned soon afterward that he had wrongly accused this girl, so he had flowers delivered to her in care of her classroom. The girl's mother thought this was an act of "chivalry," but you called it a "grandstand play," then added: 'This kid is a natural showman. He should go far in the P.R. business." Abby, it's sad that so many people perpetuate the myth that public relations professionals are 'showmen," con artists and snake oil salesmen. Today's public relations professionals are ethical. conscientious and honest, and to suggest that the "showmanship" exhibited by that brash, insensitive young man qualifies him for a successful career in the P.R. busi-

profession. Please use the power of your column to set the record straight. I think you owe a public apology to all of us in the P.R. business. A.J. SOLEY,

ness is an insult to all of us in that

JOLIET, ILL.

DEAR MR. SOLEY, and two words. everyone else whom I offended: It was not my intention to denigrate the public relations profession. It's my understanding that one of the functions of



**Dear Abby** 

Abigail Van Buren

a public relations firm is to create, improve and maintain positive images for people and businesses through publicity and advertising campaigns. (Remember the Tylenol tampering scare — and how well that product recovered?)

Back to John: Had this young man been able to hire a topnotch P.R. firm to restore his tarnished image, they could not have done a better job than he did. Brash as he was, he also had the kind of imagination and creativity one needs to go far in the P.R. business.

DEAR ABBY: Will you please straighten me out on something that has baffled me for years? When do you use "infer" and when do you use "imply"? I always confuse these

Please don't send me to the dictionary. I have looked up both of these words a dozen times, and I still don't get it.

**DETROIT DUMMY** 

DEAR DUMMY: "Imply" means to suggest or to say indirectly. "Infer" means to deduce, or conclude from facts or indications.

Think of it this way: The implier is the pitcher; the inferrer is the catcher. (Catch?)

DEAR ABBY: Help! I will be entering high school this fall and desperately want to go out for football, but my mother doesn't want me to.

Abby, I am 6 foot 2 and weigh 210 pounds. All of my friends think I should play football, but my mother is afraid I'll get hurt.

Don't you agree that an A-B student should be allowed to be involved in sports if he wants to? My mom says wrestling is OK, but not football.

**BIG GUY** 

DEAR BIG GUY: In view of your scholastic standing, I think this decision should be yours. But remember, every sport has its risks.

## William L. Arthur

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## Newsmakers

**Texas Tech Honor List** LUBBOCK — More than 2,000

Paul E. Brown

**Texas Tech University students** qualified for the academic honor lists at the end of the 1988 fall Students on the President's

Honor List earned a perfect 4.0 grade-point-average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students finishing 12 or more hours with a gradepoint-average of 3.5 or 3.9 qualified for the Dean's Honor List.

Following are the President Honor List students from Pampa: Donnie Gene Berry, Angela Lynn Brown, Gale Lynn Collier, John Michael Glover, David Deverl Goode, Brad David Knutson, Shannon D'Lee Loter, Stacie Lanelle McDonald, Michael Dale Treadwell, Deanya Kay Waters, and Kambra Kae Winningham.

Dean's Honor List students from Pampa are Erika Lee Adams, Christopher Joseph Alexander, May Elizabeth Avendanio, Cory Jame Cameron, Amanda Faye Coleman, Michelle Suzan Eakin, Lisa Rachelle Lindsey, Leslie Lynn McBride, Mark Christopher McKay, Marcia Diann Moreland, Becky Elisa Starnes, Jeffery Duwayne Sumpter, John Wesley Tarpley, Shelli Delaine Teague, Matthew Thomas Walsh.

Lacy Delynn Buckingham WACO — Lacy Delynn Buckingham of Wheeler was among 865 students at Baylor University named to the Dean's Academic Honor List. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade-point-average of 3.7 and be enrolled in a minimum of 15

semester hours. Charles Chris Porter Charles Chris Porter was among 208 students named to the McMurry College Spring 1989 Dean's List. To be named to the

Dean's List, a student must be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours and carry a 3.5 or better grade point average during that semester.

Paul E. Brown

Paul E. Brown, a student at Pampa High School, has been named a United States National Award winner in leadership service. He was nominated for the award by the National Leadership & Service Award Academy. Brown has been a straight-A student throughout his three years at PHS while maintaining a part time job at Homeland. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry J. Brown of Pampa and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Joe F. Brown of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. B.P. Vaught of Anadarko. Okla

**Carol Anne Morgan** 

Carol Anne Morgan has been placed on the College of Fine Arts Dean's Honor List for fall 1988 semester at the University of Texas at Austin. Morgan is a third year student in a five-year program in music performance. A trumpet player, Morgan is a 1986 graduate of Pampa High School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Morgan of Pampa.

**Melissa Snow** 

Melissa Snow, an interior design major at Colorado Institute of Art in Denver, was recently named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the 1988 fall semester with a grade-point-average of 3.70. CIA is listed among the top 10 interior design schools in the nation.

Snow is a 1984 graduate of Pampa High School. She is the daughter of Sue and Frank Snow and granddaughter of Eileen and George Cox, all of Pampa.

Sandra McKinney named public relations officer of account for Malone.

the Panhellenic Council at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Okla. Social sororities at the university are guided by the Council made up of representatives of each sorority.

**Tim Purser Michael Lopez** 

Two area residents have been elected officers of Phi Delta Chi, a national professional and social fraternity in pharmacy at Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford, Okla.

Tim Purser of Canadian has been elected treasurer while Michael Lopez of Pampa has been named worthy inner guard.

Christina G. Rogers Christina G. Rogers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Rogers of Pampa, has been selected as a member of Outstanding High School Students of America because of outstanding merit and accomplishment as an American high school student. Rogers is the granddaughter of Belva Vance of Pampa and Jewel Rogrs of

John F. McGrath John F. McGrath was named to the honor roll of the College of Engineering at the University of Texas at Austin for the fall 1988 semester. McGrath is a 1988 graduate of Pampa High School.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs.

Daniel F. McGrath of Pampa.

Scott Eberz Scott Eberz, son of Pampa Police Chief and Mrs. Robert Eberz, has joined the Malone **Public Relations firm of Austin** as an account executive. Eberz recently earned a bachelor of arts degree in journalism from Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, La. Eberz is presently concentrating his efforts on the Ohio Department of Develop-Sandra McKinney has been ment's International Trade

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## Senior Citizen's Day Tuesday March 7, 1989

The first Tuesday of each month has been designated as Senior Citizen's Day at JCPenney. To register in our club, you must be 55 years or older. You can stop by our service desk Monday through Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and formally register, free of charge. Also, for your convenience, we will have a registration table set up on the first Tuesday of every month from 10 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Once a Senior Citizen's Club cardholder, you will be entitled to 15% off of all purchases and services on the first Tuesday of each month, excluding our catalog department. We will also provide other special offers on an on-going basis. Ask our sales associates for more details.

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By Jerry Bittle

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



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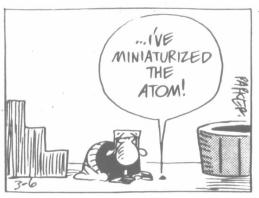
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partnership arrangements. There is a good chance you will form two valuable LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today you should have excellent opportunities for profit and gain. Ask the top, fair price for anything you're selling or any services you render. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Conditions that pertain to your personal interests

Astro-Graph

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Plans you

make today should not be treated lightly. If your foundation is properly plotted and engineered, what you do now could brighten your future later. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically

perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker,

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) This could

be both an unusual and beneficial day

for you where joint ventures are con-

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your cha-

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and others will enjoy being around you.

You'll know how to make everyone in-

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a red letter day for you where your work

or career are concerned. Something

momentous might develop that may

begin to formulate today will have bet-

ter-than-average chances for success.

Develop your bright ideas now, but also

be sure to do something about them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This is a good time to discard, change or modify meth-

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which you're involved. Use your

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will be making a favorable shift today. You are now in a cycle where you could be very fortunate in ventures you create or direct. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A pleasant surprise might be in store for

you today when something you felt is long overdue begins to yield a return. It could start with a trickle, but it should soon become a steady flow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You could be inspired and motivated today by an unscheduled development that

will instill you with new hope. If it's right, you will react to it instinctively.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Some shifts in financial trends may occur today that won't be presently visible to you. Nevertheless, you will eventually be caught up in them and they should prove profitable.

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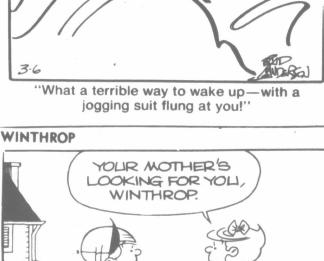


By Dave Graue













"If you think this is a large dent, wait till you see the one we put in your bank account!'



"I'm just goin' out in the backyard, Mommy, not to the North Pole!"

**CALVIN AND HOBBS** 

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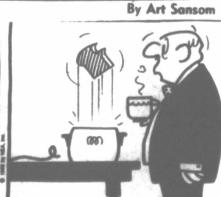
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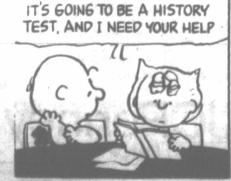
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Lakers' center Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (33) gets a nudge from Rockets' forward Derrick Chievous (3) during first-half action Sunday.

## McCallister wins Honda Classic

By BOB GREEN

**AP Golf Writer** CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. — Cur-

tis Strange, playing about an hour in front of the other contenders, knew his last chance was gone when he bogeyed the final hole at the Honda Classic.

Watching on television as Blaine McCallister made a gutsy run down the stretch, Strange said

"If he's going to win it, I hope he wins it big. And he did.

The 30-year-old who proudly identifies himself as "the only touring pro from Fort Stockton, Texas," twice escaped potential disaster with aggressive play and went on to a four-stroke victory

'Wow, what a feeling," he said after a bogey-free, 8-under-par 64 had given him a 266 total, a discourse at Eagle Trace and three tious shot, tried to hit a long-iron strokes better than the tournament record set by Jack Nicklaus

"It was great to win that first one last year (Hardee's Classic), then to back it up with another one, well, it's hard to describe. I just want to go on and win another one, do it again.

"I knew it was coming. I came in here feeling good. I knew it was just getting some putts in the hole. And this time my putter showed up," said McCallister, who one-putted 10 times over the final 18 holes and pitched in for an eagle-3.

Despite pressure from Strange and Payne Stewart, the attacking McCallister said he never even considered the safe, conservative

On the par-5 15th, he drove into tive year.

tant 22 under par on the TPC a bunker and, instead of the cau-

left in the rough. Looking at a potential double bogey, he pitched up to tap-in dis-

out. He caught the lip of the bunk-

er, then hooked his next far to the

tance and made his par. On the water-guarded 16th, he again drove into trouble. Again, the conservative approach was not for him. He challenged the water, cleared it by two feet and went on to another par.

A 6-iron shot to two feet on the 17th nailed it down and made the stroll up the 18th fairway a victory march.

Stewart chipped in for a birdie on the 18th to break a three-way tie and claim second alone at 270. His last-round 67 provided him with the runner-up spot in this tournament for the third consecu-

## Rockets end losing streak

#### Floyd, Woodson fuel third-quarter comeback

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ **AP Sports Writer** 

**HOUSTON** — Houston Rockets coach Don Chaney found a floor leader, ended a losing streak and issued a battlefield promotion all in one afternoon's work against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Sleepy Floyd scored 22 points, including four in the final 14 seconds, and directed a third quarter comeback Sunday that rallied the Rockets to an 88-83 victory over the Lakers. It was the Rockets' first victory since Feb. 18, ending a string of seven consecutive losses.

"He (Floyd) came out the second half and decided to be the leader and make things happen,' Chaney said. "He decided there was going to be more than one point guard in the game."

Floyd hit Houston's first seven points of the third quarter after the Rockets limped through the first half, trailing 48-39 at intermission.

It was Houston's lowest output for a half this season, but Floyd, Mike Woodson and Walter Berry helped the third-quarter charge.

Floyd had nine of his 22 points in the third quarter, and Woodson hit 10 of his 14, including three baskets in a row.

And Berry's aggressive defense and 10 points earned him a start Wednesday night against

"He made an excellent statement to the point that I'm starting him in the next game," Chaney said. "He's still behind as far as offense and defense but his hustle and determination will overcome that until he catches

Rookie Derrick Chievous made his first pro start but he played only 13 minutes and in the third quarter it was Berry who helped the Rockets rally.

The Lakers started the game as if they would put the Rockets to sleep by the half.

Los Angeles scored the first eight points and took an 18-5 lead before the Rockets pulled together.

'That was the tightest I've ever seen this team before a game," Chaney said. "When we finally got loosened up in the second half we played much better defense.'

Los Angeles' 83 points was a record low against the Rockets.

"That has to be one of our poorest offensive performances but that's not taking anything away from their defense," Los Angeles coach Pat Riley said. "They challenged Magic (Johnson) and kept (James) Worthy from driving.'

Worthy led the Lakers with 19 points and Johnson scored 11 points and passed out 15 assists. Akeem Olajuwon scored 22 points and got 17 rebounds for the

"There's no better way to end a losing streak than to beat the Lakers," Floyd said. "I hope this gives us a little confidence."

Despite Houston's sluggish start, the Lakers couldn't put them away early.

"As poorly as they played in the first quarter, we only built an eight-point lead and that's not

enough," Riley said. Houston got its first lead in the game with 4:15 to go in the third quarter on a pair of free throws by Otis Thorpe, and the Rockets never trailed again.

Los Angeles' Byron Scott got the Lakers within one point at 84-83 with 55 seconds to play but Floyd's jumper at 14 seconds and his free throws with seven seconds to play ended the com-

"It just wasn't a go," Johnson said. "Sometimes you just don't play as well and today was one of those days. In the third quarter the momentum shifted to them because of their hawking de-

The Lakers had a chance for a three-point basket that could have forced an overtime in the final seconds but Scott dribbled the ball out of bounds off his foot, giving Houston possession.

"I couldn't believe no foul was called," Scott said. "I thought I would have had the shot."

### Miami coach

By STEVEN WINE **AP Sports Writer** 

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — The choice of Dennis Erickson as Miami's football coach will cause a "pretty violent reaction" from players and fans who wanted Hurricanes assistant Gary Stevens to get the job, a Miami assistant coach said.

Erickson, head coach at Washington State the past two years, on Sunday accepted the job of succeeding Jimmy Johnson. Athletic Director Sam Jankovich chose Erickson over Stevens, the only other candidate known to have interviewed for the post.

"There's a lot of ... animosity and bitterness toward the decision," Miami assistant Art Kehoe said. "In all the years I've been around here, I've never seen such unanimous public support for a guy as for Gary.'

Players, boosters, fraternities, the media, two NFL quarterbacks and coaches at other schools had urged Jankovich to hire Stevens. Quarterback Steve Walsh even said he would turn pro rather than return to the Hurricanes this fall if Stevens was not named head coach.

for 15 minutes Sunday to explain his decision, Kehoe said. "He said the bottom line is he

Jankovich met with the team

wanted a guy that has already been a head coach," Kehoe said. "He wanted a guy that had dealt with the media every day and had handled the academics and the recruiting.

Erickson, who has a 50-31-1 record in seven years of college coaching, said the job was the opportunity of a lifetime.

"Miami is one of the top programs in the country, and that's the main reason I accepted — to have a chance to compete for the national championship."

Jankovich said Erickson, 41, is "the best football coach possible to take the premiere football program of the '80s into the '90s. We talked to or interviewed a number of people throughout the country regarding the job before deciding on Denny.'

Jankovich, a former athletic director at Washington State, was an assistant coach at Montana State for two years when Erickson was the school's quarterback in the 1960s. Jankovich also was on former Washington State coach Jim Sweeney's staff in 1970 when Erickson was a graduate assistant.

The other top candidate, Stevens, was Miami's assistant head coach and had been at the school since 1980. He coached three quarterbacks now starting in the NFL.

"This has been the most ago-

nizing decision of my career," Jankovich said in a statement, "because of the quality of the individuals involved."

Jankovich is aware the initial response to his decision will be negative. Kehoe said.

"Sam, when he talked to us, said he knows he's going to get a pretty violent reaction to this,' Kehoe said.

Regarding Walsh's threat to go to the NFL, Erickson said: "Steve's the only one that can make that decision. I haven't had a chance to visit with him, but hopefully I'll get a chance to talk to him soon.

Erickson planned to meet the team today.

"We will give Coach Erickson a chance," wide receiver Dale Dawkins said. "After all, he is the coach.'

Erickson, whose pass-oriented offenses are similar to Miami's, met with his Washington State players Sunday.

"It's a big loss, but we've got to move on," tight end Doug Wellsandt said. "It's ridiculous to think that with that opportunity he wouldn't go. It would be hard to resist."

Erickson said he leaves the Cougars in good shape.

'There's a lot of good players here, and there's a very solid base for a good program to continue here," he said. "I know (Athletic Director) Jim Livengood will go out and hire the best coach he can to continue it."

Livengood said he hopes to hire a new head coach in 10 days to two weeks. Spring football practice at Washington State begins March

Erickson's contract contains a penalty clause for leaving Washington State before his fiveyear contract expires. Harold Gibson, the school's associate athletic director, said the amount of the penalty would be negotiated.

Erickson said his Miami contract would be for four or five years, but all the details had not been worked out.

At least six Washington State assistants will join Erickson in Miami — defensive coordinator Sonny Lubick; offensive line coach Gregg Smith; wide receivers coach Bob Bratkowski; special teams coach Dave Arnold; defensive line coach Bob Karmelowicz; and tight ends coach Alex Wood.

### Pampa opens district play

The Pampa Harvesters welcome Frenship at 4 p.m. Tuesday in a District 1-4A baseball opener.

The Harvesters posted a 12-11 record in 1988, their first winning season in three years. Frenship was 4-13 last season,

but the Tigers will field a more experienced team this year. The Harvesters were slated to

play Dalhart in a doubleheader last Saturday, but the nondistrict games were postponed because of cold weather.

Harvesters' head coach Rod Porter said the games would probably be re-scheduled at a later date. This is Porter's second year at the Harvester helm.

## No. 8 Illinois trips up third-ranked Indiana

By The Associated Press

The Big Ten doesn't have a postseason tournament. But thanks to Illinois, the race for the conference's automatic bid isn't lacking any drama. Nick Anderson's 35-footer at

the buzzer Sunday gave No. 8 Illi-

nois a 70-67 victory over third-

ranked Indiana. Illinois can tie for first if it wins its last two names and the Hoosiers lose their Both play Iowa, the Hoosiers on the road and and Illinois at home. Illinois also plays at Michigan

consin. "We won a couple of games at the end and we lost one, so I don't have any complaint," Indiana coach Bob Knight said. "Thirtyplus minutes we played as well as we could. We talked about it being a 40-minute game and we

and Indiana plays host to Wis-

just didn't make it.' Also Sunday, No. 12 Seton Hall beat Brooklyn College 88-55; No. 15 West Virginia beat St. Joseph's 79-59 in the quarterfinals of the Atlantic 10 tournament; Santa Clara beat No. 17 St. Mary's of California 63-61 in the semifinals of the West Coast Athletic Conference tournament; and No. 18 Nevada-Las Vegas beat New Mexico State 75-73.

East Tennessee State won the Southern Conference and gained a berth in the NCAA tournament by beating Marshall 96-73. Louisiana Tech won the American South Conference tournament by beating New Orleans 84-62, but the conference does not have an automatic bid.

On Saturday, Robert Morris and South Carolina State earned automatic berths in the NCAA tournament by winning their con-

### College roundup

ference's postseason tournaments. Princeton also advanced to the NCAA tournament by winning the Ivy League title.

In Saturday's Top Twenty games, No. 1 Arizona beat UCLA 89-86; No. 4 Oklahoma beat Nebraska 103-76; No. 7 Missouri beat Colorado 66-65; No. 10 Michigan beat No. 11 Iowa 119-96; No. 14 Louisville beat Notre Dame 87-77; No. 16 Florida State beat Southern Mississippi 81-78; No. 17 St. Mary's beat Portland 86-48; No. 19 Ball State beat Western Michigan 92-79; and No. 20 North **Carolina State beat Wake Forest** 110-103 in the first four-overtime game in Atlantic Coast Conference history.

Illinois, 25-4 and 12-4, overcame a 13-point deficit in the final 12

Anderson, who scored 23 points, took a three-quarter-court line-drive pass and his shot swished through the net.

Joe Hillman had a career-high 24 points for Indiana, 24-6 and 14-

No. 6 Syracuse 82, No. 2 George-

town 76, OT Derrick Coleman scored 21 points, including five in overtime, as the Orangemen overcame a 14-point second-half deficit before a record crowd of 32,683 at the Carrier Dome.

Syracuse, 25-6 and 10-6 in the Big East, broke a six-game losing streak against the Hoyas. Mark Tillmon had 18 for Georgetown, 23-4 and 13-3, which played without injured starters Charles Smith and John Turner. No. 9 Duke 88. No. 5 North Caroli-

Danny Ferry scored 24 points as the Blue Demons, 22-6 and 9-5 in the ACC, rallied from a 14-point second-half deficit. The loss by the Tar Heels, 24-7, gave North Carolina State the conference

Steve Bucknall scored 23 points for North Carolina. No. 12 Seton Hall 88, Brooklyn

John Morton scored 15 points for Seton Hall, 25-5, which made its first 10 shots and took a 34-10. Dexter Gordon scored 20 for Brooklyn, 4-23, which has lost eight straight and 18 of 19.

Coll. 55

No. 15 West Virginia 79, St. Joseph's 59

**Herbie Brooks scored 18 points** as the Mountaineers advanced to the semifinals of the Atlantic 10 tournament.

West Virginia used a 20-2 spurt to break open a close game in the second half.

Marlon Miller scored 13 points for St. Joseph's. Santa Clara 63, No. 17 St. Mary's,

Calif. 61 Mitch Burley made a pair of free throws with 12 seconds left as the Gaels were ousted in the semifinals of the WCAC tourna-

**Burley was fouled by Al Lewis** and calmly sank the free throws. Jens Gordon scored 17 for Santa Clara. Lewis and James Dailey scored 15 each for St. Mary's.

No. 18 Nev.-Las Vegas 75, New Mexico St. 73

Moses Scurry scored 15 of his 17 points in the second half as Nevada-Las Vegas, 23-7 and 16-7 in the Big West, rallied from a ninepoint deficit to beat New Mexico



Illinois guard Nick Anderson leaps for joy after hitting a three-point shot at the buzzer to beat Big Ten leader Indiana, 70-67, in Bloomington Sunday. Anderson hit the shot over Indiana's Jay Edwards with two seconds on the clock and the score tied at 67.

## Guerrero right at home with Herzog

**By The Associated Press** 

Don't mention Dodger Blue to Pedro Guerrero. He couldn't be happier to be away from Los Angeles — and Tom Lasorda

Guerrero was traded by Los Angeles to St. Louis for John Tudor last summer. He says he thinks Cardinals manager Whitey Herzog is preferable to Lasorda.

"He got a whole bunch of rules, but nobody follows his rules," Guerrero said of Lasorda. "Why? Because nobody respects him as a manager. Whitey, he doesn't go around the players, he doesn't bother anybody. He just stays in his office like a manager is supposed to do.

"He don't go around telling people he loves them or anything. He goes around telling people to work hard and do their jobs. He's all business. It's a business, just like when the Dodgers traded me." Lasorda didn't want to get involved in a

verbal war. "He's entitled to his opinion," Lasorda said. "I really appreciate what Pete did for us. He did a good job, he busted his

training facilities in Mesa, Ariz.

DALLAS (AP) — The dream

was fulfilled, but its reality

wasn't exactly what the new own-

er of the Dallas Cowboys en-

admits he underestimated the

power of the press as the deal that

earned him the NFL franchise

"The reporters gutted it out.

There was a possibility, when it

was first reported, that the sale

might not happen," Jones said.

"That the sale went as reported

affects the way everyone who

loves the Cowboys and loves

Coach (Tom) Landry views me. I

just hope that everyone under-

stands that Coach Landry ge-

nuinely means as much to me as

he does to all the other great fans

of the Cowboys, and I count my-

Jones said that in his first meet-

ing with Tex Schramm last

September he told the Cowboys

president and general manager

that if he bought the Cowboys,

Jimmy Johnson would become

his coach. Without the prere-

quisite that Johnson would be-

come coach, Jones said there

that a great man like Tom Land-

ry someday might not coach,"

Jones said. "And that since he

had built the Cowboys into what

had become known as 'America's

Team,' if I could commit my re-

"I was naive enough to think

would have been no deal.

self as a Cowboys fan.

Arkansas oilman Jerry Jones

visioned

came together.

**Exhibition roundup** 

Meanwhile, the Dodgers wasted an 8-3 lead and lost to the New York Mets 10-9. In other games, Pittsburgh beat Texas 10-4, Kansas City beat Boston 8-7, the Chicago White Sox beat St. Louis 6-2, Cincinnati beat Detroit 3-2, Montreal beat Atlanta 7-1, Baltimore beat the New York Yankees 6-1, Toronto beat Philadelphia 10-0, Minnesota beat Houston 5-4, San Diego beat California 5-1, Cleveland beat San Francisco 5-4 in 10 innings, Seattle beat Oakland 8-7 and Milwaukee beat the Chicago Cubs 8-1.

Len Dykstra had three hits and drove in four runs as the Mets rallied.

Royals 8, Red Sox 7 At Haines City, Fla., Bo Jackson hit a 515-foot, two-run homer in the second, clearing the 71-foot scoreboard in left-

center field. Pirates 10, Rangers 4 At Bradenton, Fla., Bobby Bonilla went 3-for-4 with a three-run homer and four runs batted in.

Chicago Cubs' manager Don Zimmer (4) instructs his team on the basics of hitting at the Cubs'

almost doubled his money.

Jones returned to Arkansas

and used his assets from the sale

of his father's insurance business

to start his oil and gas company.

geologist, the two used their

theory of drilling between dry

holes around Fairview, Okla.

Jones said they drilled 2,000 holes

in a nine-year period and said the

company had an "acceptable

All the time, he retained his

Though ownership of pro sports

franchises has evolved into a ris-

ky business, Jones said his share

of the Cowboys will never be on

me and it is our resolve to allo-

cate our resources to the Cow-

Although Jones declines to

comment on estimates of his

wealth, an Arkansas magazine

reported about four years ago

that he was worth an estimated

\$100 million and had personal in-

come of \$10 million to \$12 million

deeply about his family, extends

a helping hand to friends in need,

gives generously to charity and

has won the respect and loyalty of

former football teammates,

He is also a man who cares

boys forever," Jones said.

'My family has encouraged

dream of owning a professional

level of success.'

the selling block.

a vear.

and NFL merged and Hilton friends and business partners.

football team.

After landing Bill Sparks as his

Jones' dream collides with reality

sources and encourage the finest

young coach in America to join

me in Dallas, then the combina-

tion of a new ownership and a new

coach might be preceived in a

positive manner and be some

solace because what Tom Landry

had spent his life building would

be in good hands. I viewed it as

going from the old guard to the

new guard, even though the new

guard can't hold the old guard's

Jones, an offensive guard, and

Johnson, a nose guard, were

among the senior captains on the

1964 Arkansas national cham-

pionship team that also included

Razorbacks coach Ken Hatfield

and Cotton Bowl President Jim

Using his redshirt season to his

advantage, Jones received both

his undergraduate and graduate

degrees from Arkansas in 1965

The following year, he spoke

with both Joe Robbie and Lamar

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Jones, who dropped the deal after

his father asked him about poten-

Three months later the AFL

"Mr. Hilton offered me 80 per-

and the dream was there.

gers from Barron Hilton.

tial cash flow problems.

water bucket.'

Williams Jr.

White Sox 6, Cardinals 2

At Sarasota, Fla., Ivan Calderon's runscoring single keyed a four-run seventh

Reds 3, Tigers 2

At Lakeland, Fla., Van Snider's two-tut single in the eighth drove in the go-thead run.

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Johnson, Wes Gardner and Tim Burke combined on a three-hitter. Orioles 6, Yankees 1 At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Pete Stanicek drove in three runs.

Rlue Jays 10 Phillies 0

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Blue Jays 10, Phillies 0 At Dunedin, Fla., Junior Felix and Tony Fernandez had three hits each.

Twins 5, Astros 4

At Orlando, Fla., Chip Hale's two-out, pinch-hit single capped a five-run ninth

inning. Padres 5, Angels 1

Eric Show, making his first start of the WE have Rental Furniture and spring, pitched the first three innings for the Padres and allowed two hits and one unearned run for the victory. Pat Clements and Mark Grant each pitched three scoreless innings

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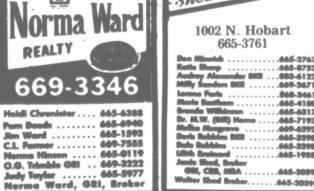
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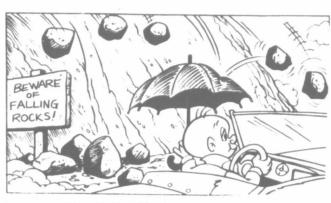
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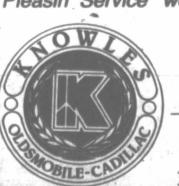
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## Political intrigue surrounds investigation of House speaker

By JIM DRINKARD **Associated Press Writer** 

WASHINGTON (AP) — While the House ethics committee deliberates behind closed doors over a series of ethics charges against House Speaker Jim Wright, its complex probe is but part of a growing web of political intrigue surrounding the Texas Democrat.

Some Republicans are complaining that Wright has intervened in the House Intelligence Committee's business to hamper a second ethics investigation into whether the speaker last September improperly disclosed a covert CIA operation in Nicar-

And Republican political operatives have set Wright up as their "No. 1 target" in the 1990 elections and are using the speaker as a centerpiece in their longrange efforts to split the Democratic party and recapture control of Congress.

The House speaker traditionally has been a target of the minority party, which seeks to use him to personify the evils it sees in the majority. But with Wright, the attack has taken on personal tones.

While the ethics committee has given little outward hint of the results of its independent counsel's expensive nine-month probe of the speaker's finances, talk in House cloakrooms and corridors is that the investigation has been extremely thorough and the outcome will cause Wright severe political problems, if not legal

Wright is alleged to have abused his office for personal financial gain. This includes using a congressional aide to help compile a book on which Wright earned some \$55,000 in royalties, and using a condominium in his hometown of Fort Worth without paying full market value.

He also is alleged to have lobbied federal officials improperly on behalf of Texas savings and loan institutions and lobbied for a gas venture in which he had a financial stake.

Wright has steadfastly denied violating any law or rule of the House, although he has conceded he might have done some things



Wright

differently if he had them to do over.

Soon after the outcome of that probe is known — expected sometime the week of March 13 — the

ethics panel will turn its attention Glickman of Kansas — disagreed to the other, less-noticed case against Wright: its inquiry into whether the speaker violated House rules against disclosing classified information

In an offhand remark last Sept. 20, Wright said he had "clear testimony from CIA people" that the agency had sought to stir up public unrest in Nicaragua to provoke an overreaction by the leftist Sandinista government. The remark appeared to violate rules against publicly disclosing Intelligence Committee testimony, although Wright later denied

That case is now "on the back burner," said ethics Chairman Julian Dixon, D-Calif., but has not been ignored. Interviews have been conducted with Intelligence Committee staff members on the subject, he said.

But Republicans are concerned that a classified report on a trip to Central America by four panel members in December has not been forwarded to the ethics panel, in part because the lone Democrat on the trip — Rep. Dan he disagreed with the weight Newt Gingrich, R-Ga.

with the document and declined to sign it.

The report, according to sources, includes a conclusion that Wright's comments had a severe chilling effect on Nicaragua's internal political opposition, effectively shutting down public political dissent and leading to threats of imprisonment for some opposition leaders.

Committee member Rep. Bob Livingston, R-La., declined to comment specifically on the report, which under committee rules is a classified document. But he said his conversations with opposition leaders made it clear that they were dealt a setback by news stories about Wright's comments.

knowledge," he said in an interview. "There was a great deal of intimidation ... There doesn't appear to be much more desire to demonstrate for fear of repercussions.'

"It seemed to be common

Glickman acknowledged that he did not sign the report because given to the impact of Wright's comments, saying he saw that as a minor portion of the trip. But he appeared flabbergasted at the charge that the document was being improperly withheld from the ethics probe.

'That's totally off the wall," he said. "The committee has been given everything they need. I don't think this (report) is relevant.'

Dixon would not say whether he had known about the committee's report. But he said, "I think all material is relevant' to the ethics investigation. "In these instances, damage assessment evaluations are routinely made. I would think that would be relevant."

In recent weeks, the line between the speaker's ethics problems and House politics has become increasingly blurred, in large part because of the political targeting of the speaker by the Republican Party and the admitted anti-Wright agenda of the speaker's chief accuser, Rep.

#### Will Tower episode spawn new ethical climate for Senate?

By JOAN MOWER **Associated Press Writer** 

wife.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Returning to his Capitol Hill office one night last week, Sen. Arlen Specter jokingly told a reporter: "This is the last time I'm riding in an elevator with a woman who's not my

Black humor remarks like those of the Pennsylvania Republican, spawned by the controversy over John Tower's alleged drinking and womanizing, were common in the corridors of power and underscored the ticklish nature of the debate over President Bush's nominee for defense secretary.

So sensitive were senators that one telephoned a reporter at night simply to make sure it was clear his comments about a colleague's fondness for "bimbos and booze" were made in jest.

"Times have changed in the Senate," said Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, a Tower defender who vowed to put the spotlight on any senator thought to be engaging in improper behavior in the future.

Tower, a 24-year Senate veteran who is facing an uphill battle in his drive for confirmation, tried to turn the tables on his former colleagues by demanding that Congress "articulate what its own standards are" on drinking as well as accepting honoraria, campaign contributions and vacations from special interest groups

Tower's challenge did not fall on deaf ears. Some senators said the historic debate might lead to reforms in campaign financing and even produce a stricter ethical climate in the nation's capital where social habits have already changed

over the last decade. Tower raised the money issue as a counterpoint to critics who said he was too cozy with the defense industry because his consulting firm accepted about \$1 million in consulting fees from defense contractors over the past two years.

"I accept that the secretary of defense must adhere to a higher standard than members of the Senate," Tower said. "But my question is, how much lower an acceptable standard is there for members of the Senate?"

Senators drew a distinction between money and drinking issues and, in general, they defended their colleagues' behavior.

"I've been here 16 years and I've never seen one (senator) drunk on the Senate floor," said Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., responding indirectly to Tower's implication that such activities took

Others disputed Biden's claim. "I've seen senators come to the Senate floor intoxicated," said Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., a teeto-

taler. Helms refused to identify those he'd seen drunk.

"There have been abuses, no question about it,"

said Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill. And Sen. Alan K. Simpson, R-Wyo., said some senators continue to have "grape and grain on

their breath" when they come to work But on Capitol Hill, as in society as a whole, heavy drinking is not as common as it was in the past, observers say. The health-conscious "yuppie generation is different," said manager Nick Selimos at the Monocle Restaurant, a favorite watering hole for lawmakers, lobbyists and aides.

Selimos, who was interviewed by FBI agents about Tower's habits, said that when senators come to the bar "half the time they drink soft drinks.'

Jane Ikard, a Washington hostess, said the new capital mores stem in part from the advent of the

"power breakfast" where politicians have to be fresh early in the morning.

"You can hardly get people to eat now ... to say nothing about smoking and drinking," Mrs. Ikard

That wasn't always the case, according to Robert Parker, the retired maitre d' of the Senate dining room. In a 1986 book entitled Capital Hill in Black and White, Parker wrote of widespread drinking and womanizing.

First elected to the House in 1974, Simon said he'd noticed a "gradual improvement" in the ethical climate in Congress "with the notable exception of campaign financing." He supports public financing of senatorial campaigns.

"I think it might" said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., when asked whether the Tower debate might lead to reforms in rules governing how campaigns are financed and what types of outside income they are allowed to earn in office.

The furor over the Tower nomination might spur Congress to press forward on campaign reform, said Biden, chairman of the Senate judiciary com-

## Future foods may grow in labs

By MARY MacVEAN **Associated Press Writer** 

of caring for a tomato plant. Or real vanilla extract that never

came from a bean. Such laboratory "farming" is far off, but not impossible, says Joan Gussow, an advocate of relocalizing food production and a professor of nutrition and education at Teachers College, Columbia University, who spoke here at a recent forum on food in

the year 2010. Such a high-technology future would involve growing coarse, inedible grasses that produce continuously, breaking them down to sugar syrups that would be piped to cities and there manufactured into such "foods" as apple and

tomato flesh. Gussow cited that extreme scenario from a trade journal because it "gets us to face what the future will be if we do nothing.'

Richard Laster, president of DNA Plant Technology Corp., who spoke on a panel after Gussow's address, said the food industry must be concerned about feeding the 280 million people who will live in this country 30 years from now.

Laster suggested people will need a combination of low- and high-tech foods to ensure sufficient food that is nutritious and good-tasting. For example, he said, his company is working to produce celery and carrots that taste better than those now available year-round.

Many scientists are working to make a tasty tomato available all

"Once you have a good tomato that's available year-round, then you can put a brand label on that, promote that" and encourage consumers to eat it, Laster said.

At the other end of the spectrum, Gussow described a future in which Americans will be close to their natural, healthy food supply, grown with a minimum of chemicals. She cited a California chef who walks through a supplier's garden each morning on his way to work, selecting the day's produce for his restaurant.

These days, there are about 8,000 new food items a year, "and most of them are very far from anything you could imagine

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> On the technology side, she said, are such items as surimi (which she called food technology's answer to the advice to eat more fish), and the experimental fat substitute Simplesse ("this

year's answer to overeating''). So, what will Americans be eating in the year 2010? "Tiny fresh mustard greens, or mock crab legs with Simplesse mayonnaise, or both?

Most likely, she concluded, both. Both means of producing food are on the rise, and not likely to slow down.

She noted that the chicken industry is dominated by six companies, the fifth-largest of which produces 25 million pounds of chicken a week; that one candy company has 44 percent of the candy sales in this country; and that 36 percent of the U.S. hog producers went out of business from December 1980 to April

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"I worry about the growing remoteness of the population from where their food is grown,'' she said. However, she noted that while organic farming once was "derided as ridiculous," it now has been given "legitimacy by the growing farm crisis.

But bringing together food producers and their customers is not always easy, said Michael Whiteman of the Joseph Baum and Michael Whiteman restaurant consulting firm, which is opening a large Manhattan restaurant to be called the Hudson River Club.

"We would like to get our products from the Hudson Valley," he said. "We spent a couple of weeks going up and down the Hudson talking to growers ... We were shocked to discover there was no chain of supply, no organized system to sustain a restaurant."

The problems are compounded, he said, by a public that demands inexpensive food of uniform quality and a labor shortage in his industry that probably will only get worse.

"So with tongue firmly in cheek, I can say we'd welcome carrots that would grow only in fine julienne," Whiteman said.

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