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THURSDAY

Treat for volunteers



(Staff photo by Kayla Pursley)

Friends of the Library volunteers (from left) Jack Nichols, Faye Nichols and Pauline Quible fill their plates at a luncheon prepared by Lovett Memorial Library staff members for the upcoming used book sale volunteers Wednesday. The Friends of the Library used book sale will be open from 1 to 8 p.m. Friday

for Friends members and the handicapped. The public sale will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday. Proceeds benefit library patrons through purchases and sponsored activities by the Friends.

Celanese official says firm won't fight lawsuit in media

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

The manager of the Hoechst Celanese chemical plant in Pampa said his company will resist the urge to answer allegation with allegation and will not fight out a pending half-billion dollar lawsuit in the media.

Brent Stephens' remarks came in response to a meeting earlier this week by almost 100 area residents and their lawyers who are attempting to gain class-action status in a suit alleging the chemical company has practiced unsafe operating procedures.

The litigants claim such practices led to long-term pollution of air and water as well as the 1987 explosion that killed three people. The suit charges that local cancer and birth defects cases can be directly linked to chemical emissions and spills at the plant.

Stephens said such charges are "bizarre" in light of the company's record as a corporate citizen and an innovator in the

field of community awareness. "It's been very frustrating," Stephens said. "It's hard to believe the allegations being made."

Among those allegations are charges that railroad workers at the plant literally waded in chemicals they were moving out of the plant, that a well-documented chemical leak beneath the plant has allegedly polluted the Ogallala Aquifer, that Celanese has hidden dangerous chromium emissions from stacks at the plant and that the company knew an explosion was eminent because the LPO process used at the plant is inherently dangerous.

Stephens pointed out that attorney Tom Upchurch of Amarillo compared the Celanese situation to nuclear accidents at Chernobyl and Three Mile Island.

"There is no comparison between nuclear accidents and the explosion at Celanese. To compare butane and acetic acid with a nuclear accident is totally misleading," Stephens said.

He maintained that the company has been completely honest in its attempts to monitor any pollution that has come from the plant.

"The monitors we put out to check air quality don't show any contamination," Stephens said. "Neither do the ones put on by regulatory agencies."

Pampa Director of Public Works Nathan Hopson said city tests of local water supplies contradict claims by Upchurch and others that there are pollutants, including benzene, leaking into the aquifer from the waste area beneath the plant and above the aquifer.

"The Texas Department of Health sets the standards for water. Levels of chemicals including benzene are below detectable levels," Hopson said. "It has to be over one part per billion to be high enough to test, but the benzene has never been that high."

Hopson said tests are also conducted by the Texas Water Commission. See CELANESE, Page 2

Gray County singing 'Jailhouse Blues'

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

Gray County commissioners are singing the "Jailhouse Blues" as increasing overpopulation problems are pressuring them into making a decision on building a new county jail.

A representative of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards is to be present at the County Commission meeting Friday to explain the requirements on the jail and to give his opinion on a recent proposal to turn the bottom floors of the Hughes Building into a jail, juvenile detention center and sheriff's offices, Sheriff Jim Free said Wednesday.

At present, Gray County Jail is filled to its maximum of 22 prisoners, Free said. Because of Jail Standards variances, he added, the jail technically can only hold 10 to 12 prisoners.

"One day we had 14 prisoners and by that night it was back up to 22," Free said.

Gray County, with 27,100 residents, is the second largest county in population in this area, excluding Amarillo, he said, yet it has one of the smallest facilities.

Hutchinson County, with a population of 28,100, is the most comparable nearby county. Hutchinson County Sheriff Lon Blackmon said they can handle 71 prisoners after recently completing an addition to their new jail. Average daily jail population is 37.8 prisoners, he said.

Blackmon, elected to office in 1976, said he fought for 2½ years with local commissioners to have a new jail built, realizing that his facility did not come near to the state's minimum jail standards.

"People cuss these standards all the time," he said. "But I don't. They're not just intended to protect the prisoners. They're intended to protect us, too."

"I kept telling (commissioners) that we would have to build a new jail and they turned a deaf ear for 2½ years," he said. "It wasn't un-

til they got sued right along with me that they did something about it."

If commissioners had built the jail when Blackmon first suggested, he said, it would have cost \$860,000. Five years later, total cost of the jail was \$1.87 million, he said, adding the county still had to build an addition in six years.

"It was too small when we opened it," he said. "It was built for 41 persons and I moved in 50 that night."

At present, at least four persons arrested by Gray County Sheriff's Department this week are cooling their heels in city of Pampa's already bulging jail facilities.

But Sheriff Free says he will not stop making arrests simply because it is getting harder to find a place for the prisoners to stay.

"I can't let them go. I was put in this office to enforce the law and that's what I'm going to do, even if I have to transport prisoners to Potter County, Canadian or wherever," he said.

Free said he doesn't know what to expect from the Commission on Jail Standards representative on Friday.

"But I understand that as long as they see we are trying, they won't shut us down," he said. "But with the problems we've been having, I just don't know."

Sheriff Joe Hataway of Ochiltree County in Perryton said his department has contracts with surrounding counties to handle prisoners when his jail reaches capacity.

Hemphill County Sheriff Billy Bowen's 22-bed jail was built in 1982, he said. With a daily average population of five prisoners, he said he's been able to house

Satanic cult 'godfather' object of wide manhunt

By DAVID SEDENO
Associated Press Writer

MATAMOROS, Mexico (AP) — Authorities conducted an international manhunt today for the "godfather" of a drug-smuggling voodoo cult that allegedly sacrificed and mutilated at least 12 people to make its members invulnerable.

U.S. and Mexican authorities were searching for Adolfo de Jesus Constanzo, a Cuban who police said orchestrated the ritual slayings on a remote ranch outside of this Mexican border town.

Constanzo is believed to have fled into the United States with Matamoros resident Sara Maria Aldrete, a 24-year-old, 6-foot-1 brunette described by Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox as the "witch of the operation."

A wanted poster issued by the Cameron County Sheriff's Department in Texas described her as "extremely dangerous. Use caution."

In Miami, television station WPLG reported Wednesday night that Metro-Dade police have been alerted that Constanzo was believed to be heading toward the Florida city.

Also Wednesday, in a manner not seen in the United States, Mexican police individually displayed four of five detained suspects in front of scores of media representatives, who subjected them to a barrage of questions.

"We killed them for protection," said suspect Elio Hernandez Rivera, 22 of Matamoros.

He added that he shot one victim and decapitated another.

Police pulled up Hernandez Rivera's shirt and jacket to show scars on his shoulders and back. One was shaped like an arrow, which authorities said signified he was authorized by the satanic voodoo cult to make human sacrifices that were intended as protection from police, bullets or other threats to their drug-smuggling operation.

Hernandez Rivera did not comment on the scars.

Among the group's victims exhumed Tuesday were a Mexican policeman, a federal police volunteer, a 16-year-old boy and Mark Kilroy, a 21-year-old University of Texas premedical student who disappeared March 14 in Matamoros while on spring break.

Mexican police believe two victims were executed as revenge for a drug deal that went bad. Hernandez Rivera said some were killed out of vengeance rather than as sacrifices.

Mattox said the ranch apparently was used as a drug-smuggling base, and members were smuggling about 1,000 pounds of marijuana a month into the United States.

At least one victim was kidnapped in the Texas border city of Brownsville within the last month, and up to three may be U.S. citizens, officials said.

Constanzo killed Kilroy, said one of the arrested men, Serafin Hernandez Garcia, 22, a U.S. citizen from Brownsville.

Constanzo apparently introduced a sort of voodoo or black magic to the area, said Oran Neck, the U.S. Customs chief agent in Brownsville, just across the Rio Grande.

The ritual "has overtones of a religious cult that has been exported out of Cuba and Haiti as 'Santeria,'" Neck said, based on feathers and other evidence of rituals found at the ranch and the Matamoros home of the woman being sought with Constanzo.

The four suspects said they followed Constanzo's orders to kidnap people.

Asked if he regretted the slayings, Hernandez Rivera said, "Yes, but it's too late."

Another of the men, David Ser-

na Valdez, 22, of Matamoros, said he did not know about murders when he was recruited into the satanic cult.

"They first told me they only killed animals. I did not really believe," said Serna Valdez. He said he was an agronomy student at Cuidad Victoria.

Felipe Flores, spokesman for the Mexican attorney general's office, said victims' brains were cut out and put on a fire, mixed with blood, herbs, rooster feet, goat heads and turtles.

Cameron County Sheriff Alex Perez said cult members removed some victims' vertebrae for use in necklaces.

Contrary to officials' earlier assertions, no evidence of cannibalism was found, Neck said.

The five suspects were detained pending the filing of formal charges of murder, kidnapping, drug smuggling, criminal association and possession of illegal firearms, said Jose Silva Arroyo, narcotics supervisor for the Mexican Federal Judicial Police.

The police were on a routine drug search when they found the dismembered bodies Tuesday in shallow graves at the ranch.

Some victims were shot in the head, and others appeared to have been slain with machetes or sledgehammers, Neck said.

A memorial service was scheduled for Kilroy tonight in Brownsville.



(AP Laserphoto)

Mexico police escort satanic cult killing suspect Sergio Martinez Salinas, right, before media representatives in police headquarters Wednesday.

Storytime



(Staff photo by Deane A. Laverty)

Pampa school board member Collen Hamilton reads a story to Travis Elementary School third-graders as part of the on-going activities for National Library Week. Various local citizens have been reading stories to students during this week's celebration.

JAIL CAPACITIES

Following are the bed capacities of selected Panhandle jails as given by the respective county sheriffs.

The Texas Jail Standards Commission generally considers 80 percent of the rated listing as the jail's maximum capacity. However, most sheriffs said they would fill their jails completely when necessary. County population figures are from the 1989 Texas Almanac.

■ Gray County Jail — Pampa, 22 beds. County population, 27,100.

■ Hutchinson County Jail — Stinnett, 71 beds. County

population, 28,100.

■ Carson County Jail — Panhandle, 24 beds. County population, 6,900.

■ Hemphill County Jail — Canadian, 22 beds. County population, 5,500.

■ Wheeler County Jail — Wheeler, 16 beds. County population, 7,300.

■ Lipscomb County Jail — Lipscomb, 13 beds. County population, 4,000.

■ Ochiltree County Jail — Perryton, 20 beds. County population, 11,000.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

SLOAN, Larry Herndon — 11 a.m., Moss-Feaster Chapel, Dunedin, Fla.

Obituaries

CARRIE ELLEN MOEN
Carrie Ellen Moen, 86, died Thursday in Canyon. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Moen had been a resident of Pampa since 1945. She was married to George Moen. He died in 1963. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Margaret Guidry, in 1978. She was a member of First Christian Church.

Survivors include one stepson, Donald G. Moen of Houston; one stepdaughter, Alice Struble; one son-in-law, Charles B. Guidry of Pampa; five grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler Evans of Pampa			
Wheat	3.76	96%	dn/4
Milo	4.10	43%	dn/8
Corn	4.62	32%	dn/8
The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of completion			
Occidental	26 1/2	Mapco	68
Ky. Cent. Life	13 1/2	Maxxus	67 1/2
Serfco	4 1/2	Mesa Ltd	10 1/2
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion			
Magellan	55.57	SBJ	37 1/2
Puritan	13.72	SPS	26
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa			
Amoco	42 1/2	up/4	5.90

Calendar of events

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS SPRING FLING

Big Brothers/Big Sisters will host a gala fundraiser Friday 7 p.m. to midnight at the M.K. Brown Auditorium. For ticket information call Charles Buzzard, executive director, at 665-1211.

Fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported no fires during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no minor accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police	911
SPS	669-7432
Water	665-3881

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions
Russell Angel, Pampa
Robert Brewer, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
Duke Morgan (custodial care), Shamrock
Clois Hanner, Shamrock

Births
To Mr. and Mrs. John Cadena of Pampa, a girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Pampa, a boy.

Dismissals
Teri Armstrong and baby girl, White Deer.
Marie Gill, Miami
Hazel Osburn, Pampa
Irene Perez, Pampa

Charles Poston, Pampa
Melody Tate, McLean
Newtie Walberg, Pampa

Mary Gearhart, Wheeler
Peggy Simpson, McLean
Tammy Gallagher (observation), Wheeler

Duke Morgan, Shamrock

Police report

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

WEDNESDAY, April 12

Layne Clark, 2638 Fir, reported a burglary at 425 N. Nelson.

Police reported an assault in a domestic dispute.

Kim Ivey, 933 S. Faulkner, reported a simple assault at 1234 S. Hobart.

Wayne Mitchell, 1320 Starkweather, reported criminal mischief at 1312 Coffee #3.

Stephanie Barnes, 2700 Comanche, reported a simple assault at 700 Sloan.

Police reported violence in a domestic dispute. Hutchinson County Sheriff's Department issued a "wanted by outside agency" report.

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Renda Johnson, 1044 Prairie Dr., reported unauthorized use of a motor vehicle at the residence.

Arrests

WEDNESDAY, April 12

Russell A. Owen, 22, 610 1/2 E. Francis, was arrested at the courthouse by county on a charge of burglary of a habitation. He is being held in city jail.

Michael Marsh, 32, 413 1/2 N. Gray, was arrested in the 400 block of East Foster by county on revocation of probation and a warrant for aggravated assault. He is being held in city jail.

Ara Nell Rush, 40, 1201 Darby, was arrested at the residence on a warrant from Hutchinson County for theft by check. He was released on bond.

Stan Knight Organ, 25, 414 Crest, was arrested at the residence on a warrant for assault. He was released on bond.

Dianna Woods, 46, Houston, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on a charge of public intoxication.

Oren Leon Woods, 47, Houston, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on charges of driving while intoxicated (breath test refused), driving left of center when not passing and failure to dim headlights.

Celanese

mission and private testing firms.

"When they take samples, they take well water and Lake Meredith water. We have pulled samples from all of the wells in the south end of town," Hopson said. "We did it because of the rumors of the last three weeks (about benzene in the water)."

Hopson said a test of water quality issued on March 3 of this year indicated there is no pollution of the city water supply from the aquifer or anywhere else.

"We want our citizens to know we're concerned," Hopson said. "We are doing our best to stay on top of this. But at this point we have no reason to believe there is any danger."

Hopson said the most recent tests of water supplies would be available to the press and public in three to five weeks.

Stephens said Upchurch's inflammatory comments earlier this week that Germans know how to kill better than anyone in the world should give the public an idea of where the personal claims of the attorney is coming from. (The parent company of Celanese is a German firm.)

"This type of statement characterizes Mr. Upchurch's whole credibility in this matter. His use of wild, unfounded allegations appears intended to cause concern in the community and increase the number of people who will sign up with him," Stephens charged.

"Hoechst Celanese always has been and always will be a good corporate citizen with full commitment to meet or exceed any applicable regulations and to protect our people and our community," he continued. "We communicate openly with our neighbors and community and will continue to do so."

He said the 400 employees of the plant would never tolerate it if the company really was using practices that were leading to cancer or birth defects.

"We are most concerned about safety and health and would not continue to work here if it were not safe," Stephens said.

To the charge that railroad workers at the plant had been forced to work in conditions that included trudging through chemicals, Stephens said such allegations were completely untrue.

City briefs

PRE-ENROLLMENT. Spirit of Truth Christian School. Kindergarten-12. Call for reduced rates. 665-2828. Adv.

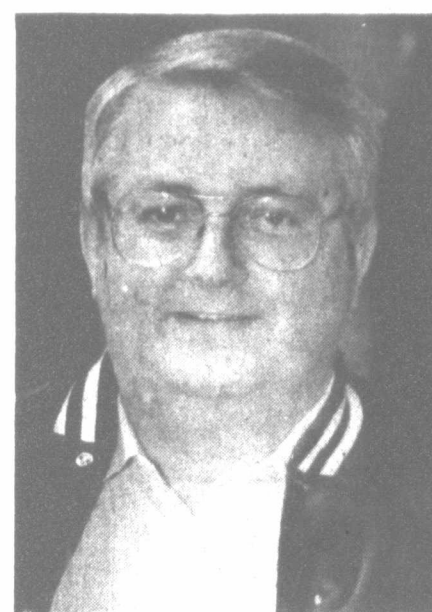
ST. VINCENT'S Pre-Registration, April 17-21, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Limited number of openings for students in all levels. 2300 Hobart. Adv.

WE'LL BE closed due to illness in family. Sunshine Factory. Adv.

PERSONAL TOUCH Special group of Handbags 30% off this week only. Adv.

SHEPARD'S NURSING Agency Home Health Care - Licensed Nurses-Certified Aides. "We care for those you love." 665-0356. Medicare approved. Visa, Mastercard accepted. Adv.

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Stephens



Hopson

"We couldn't tolerate people wading through chemicals. Anytime the railroad company detected any sign of odors or a leak, they would tell us," he said.

Stephens was emphatic that the company was continuing to follow expert advice on cleanup of the waste spill beneath the plant. He said criticisms of the cleanup were only the opinion of one person.

"We hired a consultant service to help us. There have been a number of knowledgeable people involved," Stephens said.

He also countered claims that the company made a \$165 million dollar profit from the explosion by saying, "If you have a car that's insured for \$1,000 and it's total-

led, the insurance company will pay you \$1,000. Does that mean you made \$1,000? Of course not. It means you had to use that money to replace your car."

He said that the company had business interruption insurance as a matter of corporate responsibility, but that the money they received from the insurance company was what paid for the rebuilding of the plant as well as the loss of profits from being shut down.

"At very best we broke even," Stephens said.

"We feel the allegations are unfounded and we will deal with the matter through the courts as appropriate. We are confident our actions will be vindicated," he stated.

Pan Am bomber identified

WASHINGTON (AP)—Investigators have identified and are searching for the person they believe planted the bomb that blew up Pan Am Flight 103 over Scotland on Dec. 21, according to a network television report.

CBS-TV news reported Wednesday night the suspect is a member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command and is a relative of Hafez Dalkamoni, who is said to have set up the network which carried out the attack.

CBS said sources refused to reveal the suspect's name or whereabouts.

The Pan Am jumbo jet crashed in southern Scotland, killing all 259 people aboard and 11 other people on the ground.

Dalkamoni was in prison at the

time of the bombing, picked up last October following a raid on one of his safe houses. Along with weapons, German police found three Toshiba radio cassette players similar to the one used to blow up Pan Am 103, CBS said.

The television network said that, with Dalkamoni in prison, investigators are searching for his relative, who they suspect gave a suitcase containing the booby-trapped cassette player to one of the passengers aboard the plane.

Investigators believe the passenger who unwittingly carried the bomb was Khalid Jaafar, a young Lebanese-American college student who lived in Michigan and who was returning home from Frankfurt for the Christmas holidays, CBS said.

PAMPA DESK and Derrick Club dance. Saturday, April 15th. 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium. For tickets call 665-3404. Adv.

BIG BROTHERS Big Sisters, Spring Fling. Friday, April 14, M.K. Brown Auditorium, 7 p.m. Casino, refreshments, dancing and prizes. Tickets at door or call 665-1211. Adv.

HUGE 3 Family Yard Sale. Clothes, furniture, baby items, gas cook stove, refrigerator, lots more. 1422 1/2 S. Barnes. Adv.

BUY I dress at regular price, and get 2nd dress of equal or less value 1/2 off. All Rocky's 20% off. The Clothes Line. 109 N. Cuyler. Adv.

DANCE TO Frankie McWhorter. Saturday 9-11. Moose Lodge. Members and guests. Adv.

Wright defends self to leadership

WASHINGTON (AP)—An impassioned House Speaker Jim Wright, facing a grave and possibly fatal blow to his leadership, today declared himself innocent of ethics committee charges that he improperly accepted gifts from a business partner and tried to evade outside-income limits through book sales.

Sources said Wright, speaking on a highly personal level, told senior House Democratic col-

leagues at a closed-door meeting that he would fight to defend his honor following Wednesday's votes in the ethics committee, which has been investigating his finances for 10 months.

"There are some things worth fighting for, and one of them is personal honor and reputation earned over 66 years of living and giving," Wright, D-Texas, told reporters after the leadership meeting. "And that's far more

precious to me than any public office."

Alluding to charges that his wife had done little work for a salary she was paid by a Fort Worth business partner, Wright added: "My wife's reputation is very precious to me. And I'm damn well, darn well, not going to let that be sacrificed."

Wright scheduled a news conference for later in the day to continue his public defense.

The last of the ethics decisions were reached Wednesday on strong bipartisan votes, according to sources familiar with the panel's probe. The votes mean the panel has found "reason to believe" Wright violated a series of House rules, and they point toward a new phase of the case which could involve a disciplinary hearing and possible punishment.

Wright continued to maintain he had not knowingly or intentionally broken the rules and was expected to mount a vigorous defense. His spokesman, Mark Johnson, said late Wednesday that the speaker had not been informed of any decision by the panel.

The action essentially completed the committee's 10-month, \$1.5 million investigation of Wright's finances. The panel was meeting again today to work on the specific wording of its report detailing the basis for the charges against the speaker, one source said.

Band gains sweepstakes

For the seventh year in a row, Pampa High School's Symphonic Band earned sweepstakes honors in University Interscholastic League competition Wednesday at Amarillo Civic Center.

The Symphonic Band received Division I ratings in District 4-A concert and sightreading, said Charles Johnson, director, Wednesday afternoon. These ratings, coupled with the band's Division I earned in the marching competition last fall, qualified the band for the sweepstakes honor, he said.

This is the seventh year in a row the band has received sweepstakes and the 30th sweepstakes rating earned in the past 33 years, he said, adding "That's a long time."

PHS band members performed in concert at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday and again in sightreading at 10:30 a.m. The band played

"Marche Militaire Francaise" by Saint-Saines and Godfrey, "Colonial Song" by Grainger and "Four Scottish Dances" by Arnold-Paynter.

Pampa Middle School's sixth grade-and varsity bands performed today.

The sixth-graders, directed by Brent Colwell, were to compete in District C non-varsity concert division at 8:30 a.m. and in sightreading at 9 a.m.

The PMS Concert Band, under the direction of Bruce Collins, was to perform in concert at 11:15 a.m. and sightreading at 11:45 a.m.

Pampa's bands along with middle school and high school bands from throughout the area met for the District UIL contests Wednesday and today at Amarillo Civic Center, 3rd and Buchanan streets.

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Jailhouse

ing prisoners of other agencies to be implemented over a period of time.

"We know Free isn't budgeted for that and it's going to take time," Chaney said.

Should the city hold prisoners after arraignment, the city jail is required to meet the minimum standards required of a county jail, state jail standards representatives have said.

"If you detain (county prisoners) for a certain period, I don't think we have to. That is really a gray area," Chaney said. "But I believe that we are in compliance with the intent of the law."

Gray County had earmarked \$4.4 million in a fund left over from the sale of Highland General Hospital in 1980 for the building

of a new jail or renovation of the present jail, built in the early 1930s.

The amount has dwindled in the past nine years to about \$4 million, after commissioners dipped into the funds to help meet budget shortfalls. \$300,000 from this fund went towards the building of a municipal golf course.

The present jail has operated under a number of variances for many years. Variances are inadequacies that the Texas Commission on Jail Standards permits even if they conflict with the state's jail standards.

Among variances granted Gray County Jail are too few fire exits, inadequate firefighting equipment, multi-occupancy cells that are too small, too few day rooms for the number of cells, bunk beds that are not of standard size, an exit door that

swings out instead of in, and an exit stairway that is five inches too narrow.

Issue of building a new county jail surfaced in the County Commission meeting about a month ago. Commissioners discussed the matter again March 31, when Bill Arrington brought a proposal to them that would turn the Hughes Building into a local government center with the bottom two floors to be used as a 50-bed jail, juvenile detention center and sheriff's department at a total cost of approximately \$2.1 million.

No action has been taken on Arrington's proposal, but commissioners will probably consider the idea once more at the 9:30 a.m. meeting Friday in the second-floor courtroom of Gray County Courthouse.

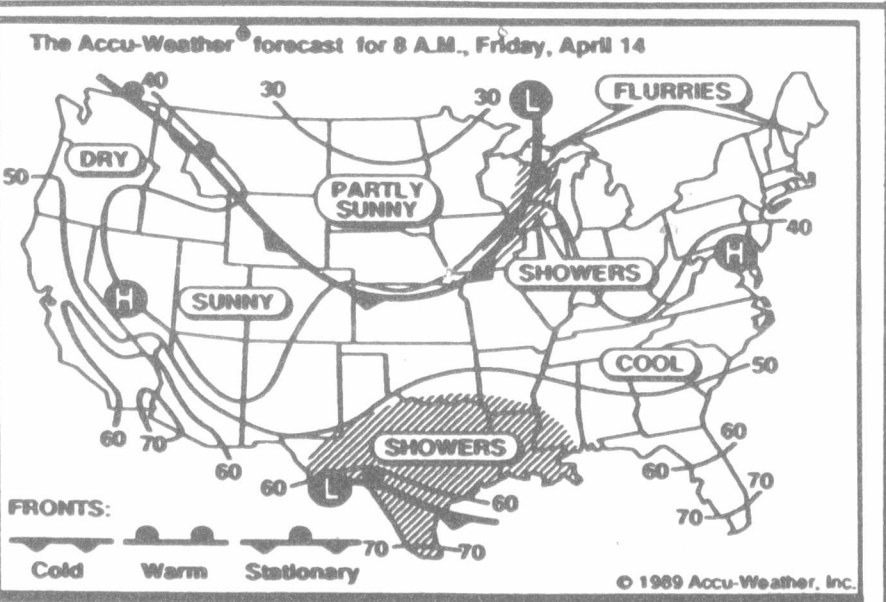
Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
A 30 percent chance of rain tonight with a low of 40 and southeast winds at 5 to 15 mph. Friday, decreasing cloudiness and warmer, with a high of 65 and southwest winds at 10 to 20 mph. Wednesday's high was 51; the overnight low was 37.

REGIONAL FORECAST
West Texas — Showers and thunderstorms becoming less numerous tonight, but a few showers will linger in Concho Valley early Friday. Decreasing cloudiness from the northwest becoming partly cloudy and warmer most sections Friday.

South Texas — Cloudy with occasional showers or thunderstorms over the north through Friday, partly cloudy with widely scattered showers south. Warmer Friday. Lows tonight from the 50s north to the 60s south. Highs Friday from the 70s north to the 80s south.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Saturday through Monday
West Texas — Considerable cloudiness Saturday and Sunday with a slight chance of a shower or thunderstorm, except partly cloudy far west and Big Bend. Fair Monday. Cool-



er Sunday east of the mountains, then warmer Monday. Highs Panhandle mid 60s Saturday, low 60s Sunday and low to mid 70s Monday. Lows around 40 each day. Highs South Plains near 70 Saturday, upper 60s Sunday and mid 70s Monday. Lows from low to mid 40s. Highs Permian Basin and Concho Valley upper 70s Saturday, near 70 Sunday and around 80 Monday. Lows from the mid 40s to near 50. Highs far west from near 80 to the mid 80s each day. Lows around 50. Highs Big Bend in the mid 70s to upper 60s mountains to the mid 80s to low 90s along the Rio Grande. Lows from around 40 mountains to the mid 50s to near 50 river valleys.

South Texas — Mostly cloudy through Sunday, chance of thunderstorms. Partly to mostly cloudy Monday. Lows ranging from the 50s north to the 60s south. Highs 70s north to the 80s south.

BORDER STATES
New Mexico — Fair skies northwest with a chance of showers and thundershowers southeast third tonight. Decreasing cloudiness southeast, otherwise mostly sunny Friday. Warmer most sections. Lows tonight 20 to mid 30s mountains and north with 30s and 40s elsewhere. Highs Friday 60s to mid 70s mountains and north with 70s to low 80s lower elevations south.

Oklahoma — Scattered light rain and a few thunderstorms most sections tonight. Partly cloudy northwest Friday, precipitation ending southeast. Lows tonight low 40s to low 50s. Highs Friday upper 60s southeast to mid 70s west.

State Senate riding on budget express

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas lawmakers — bruised in recent years from fighting staggering budget deficits — appear to be riding on a budget express this time around.

The Senate on Wednesday unanimously approved a proposed \$46.75 billion state budget that will not require a general tax increase, lawmakers said.

Next week, the House is scheduled to consider its \$46.9 billion spending proposal.

Bob Glasgow, D-Stephenville, said this is the earliest the Senate has passed a budget in his 8 years in the Legislature.

On Friday, the House Appropriations Committee finished its budget proposal. After the unanimous vote, Appropriations Committee members cheered.

In 1987 there wasn't much cheering. Then, lawmakers failed to pass a state budget in regular session for the first since 1961.

Texas was in the midst of a fiscal crisis brought about by the severe drop in crude oil and natural gas prices.

Lawmakers and Gov. Bill Clements, a Republican who ousted Democrat Mark White while promising no new taxes, were at a stalemate.

Legislative leaders said without a tax increase basic state services would be crippled. At the end of a 30-day special session in

late July, Clements signed into law a record \$5.7 billion tax increase.

This time, however, a rebounding economy and a number of legislative actions on disputed tax collections have given lawmakers some budgetary breathing room.

Sen. Kent Caperton, D-Bryan, in his first tour of duty as chairman of the Finance Committee, said budget writers were trying to "develop a budget that is both affordable and to meet the critical needs of Texas."

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The proposed 1990-91 budget is 10.5 percent more than current spending, or \$4.3 billion. The increase in spending in the state's general revenue fund — the main state account made up of taxpayer dollars — is about \$3.26 billion.

Major increases in the spending plan are in education and health and human services.

Public school funding would be increased \$605 million, or 5.9 percent under the propos-

al. About \$400 million of that increase would be allocated toward trying to equalize spending between poor and wealthy school districts.

Under the bill, funding to state colleges and universities would be increased by about \$743.5 million, a 16 percent boost. This includes a 7 percent raise for faculty for each year of the two-year budget.

Even with the raises, Texas faculty salaries will still fall below the national average, Caperton said.

Health and human services would receive a nearly \$1 billion, or 22 percent increase. This includes about \$334 million to meet court-ordered agreements in the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

And \$350 million would be allocated for a state employee pay raise.

Although a battle may be shaping over a proposed increase in the state cigarette tax, it is a far cry from recent budget wars.

Clements has said he opposes any tax increase, including the cigarette tax.

But Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby said the Legislature should levy higher cigarette taxes because it "is good public policy in every way. It taxes a hazardous substance, it earns more federal match for Medicaid."

Hobby added, however, the Senate-endorsed budget does not require a cigarette tax increase.



Caperton, left, listens as Glasgow debates a budget amendment.

IMF deal done, Mexico faces tough bank talks on its debt

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico will be "firm but very cautious" in upcoming debt talks with its commercial bank creditors now that it has in hand a \$3.65 billion loan from the International Monetary Fund, top Mexican officials said Wednesday.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady's Third World debt reduction plan speeded negotiation of the loan, the officials told reporters at a back-

ground briefing. "We got what we wanted," said one of the officials.

Mexico also will ask banks to reschedule about \$2 billion in amortization of principal that come due this year, they said.

President Carlos Salinas de Gortari wants to reduce the burden of Mexico's \$107 billion foreign debt and keep more money inside the country for economic investment.

Mexicans have seen their standard of living decline by 50 percent over the last seven years, and Salinas is under political and social pressure to reverse that course and renew growth.

The three-year agreement reached with the IMF on Tuesday is the first since Brady outlined a plan last month that he hoped would help ease payment terms on the developing world's \$1.32 trillion foreign debt.

Getting creditor governments, banks, the IMF and the World Bank to coordinate will take time, one Mexican official warned. But Brady brought together proposals by leaders of industrialized and developing nations and pushed the plan.

"But in this sense the Brady Plan has speeded up the process," he said, adding it took just 11 days of direct talks to hammer out the IMF loan.

The \$3.65 billion loan will be used to bolster Mexico's foreign exchange reserves and spur economic development. About one-third of loan proceeds will be used to support Mexico's debt-reduction proposals to the banks, the official said.

Together with other short-term credits Mexico is seeking from the fund, the World Bank and other sources, Mexico will devote about \$500 million annually to debt reduction, he said.

Treasury Secretary Pedro Aspe said Tuesday that Mexico will offer banks the option of exchanging old debt for Mexican bonds that discount debt principal and reduce interest rates. Mexico may choose to use loan proceeds to buy U.S. Treasury

bonds as collateral that the Mexican bonds will be paid, one official said Wednesday.

The banks need an inducement to buy the bonds, "and this costs money. We have to go into debt to get out of debt," he said.

Issuing bonds to Mexican that retire part of their Mexican debt is an attractive option, with each dollar's worth of bond capable of saving Mexico up to \$12 in service costs over a 30-year period, the official said.

Other options for bank creditors are being explored to meet Mexico's goal of reducing its net outflow of resources to pay debt from 6 percent to 2 percent of gross national product each year, the officials said.

Fired police officer to appeal his termination

BALCONES HEIGHTS (AP) — A police sergeant in this San Antonio suburb said he will appeal his termination for an alleged policy infraction when a fellow officer was shot to death last month during what began as a routine traffic stop.

Sgt. Leland Hughes, 31, was fired from the 19-member department by Police Chief Kenneth Menn.

Mayor Emil Deike said Hughes had said he would file a grievance against the city seeking to have the action overturned.

"He was fired last week for lying," Deike said. "He claimed he asked Scotty Rogiers if he

needed backup for help and Scotty said no. The tape (of police radio transmissions) shows Scotty asked for help. He (Hughes) was supposed to be backing up Rogiers.

Hughes, the shift supervisor, was the only other Balcones Heights officer working when patrolman Richard Scott Rogiers was gunned down at 2:41 a.m. March 12 after stopping a suspected traffic violator.

Rogiers, 29, was shot twice in the back of the head and left for dead, with his service revolver still in its holster and a motorist's license tucked into his belt. He died about 23 hours later at

Medical Center Hospital. Robert Sanchez, 34, was arrested at his San Antonio home less than an hour after the slaying. He is charged with capital murder and remains at the Bexar County Jail in lieu of \$1 million in bonds.

Menn told the *San Antonio Express-News* in Wednesday's editions that Hughes violated department policy when he failed to provide a backup for Rogiers after the patrolman notified dispatchers that he would be getting out of the car to make a traffic stop.

"In all cases, I think a backup would have made a difference,"

Menn said. "To what degree can't be really stated. There are too many variables."

"The police officer still could have lost his life — there is no two ways about that," Menn said. "I don't think anybody is trying to assess blame for the officer's death on anybody else other than the person who killed him."

Hughes, who joined the Balcones Heights Police Department in 1982, was the first Balcones Heights officer to reach the wounded Rogiers, Menn said.

Hughes, who filed a formal grievance with the department Tuesday to contest his firing, said he could not comment on the case.

"Because there has been a grievance filed, and the possibility of litigation, I have been advised by my attorney not to make any comment at this time."

Menn said radio transcripts showed Rogiers was out of his squad car with the suspect for "over eight minutes" before the fatal confrontation.

No-bill returned in shooting case

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

WHEELER — Wheeler County grand jurors Wednesday nobbled a Shamrock woman accused of shooting her ex-husband last January and indicted two others on drug charges.

"This is a case of self-defense against an ex-husband," Assistant District Attorney John Mann commented on the shooting incident.

Grand jurors ruled self-defense after considering the evidence surrounding the Jan. 20 shooting, he said.

Delores Fay Edwards, 42, of Shamrock had been charged with shooting her ex-husband Bobby Edwards, age not available, in the wrist.

According to police reports, Mrs. Edwards' estranged husband entered her home at about 1:45 a.m. that morning armed with an ax handle and a .357 pistol. Edwards' 21-year-old son was

sleeping on the sofa, when Edwards came in looking for his wife.

When Mrs. Edwards heard the commotion in her living room, the reports say, she came out of her bedroom armed with a handgun and shot her former husband in the wrist. The bullet exited at the elbow, indicating his arm was outstretched at the time, Mann said.

Mrs. Edwards told police she chased him out of her house shooting at him, the district attorney added.

Carlos Gonzales, 17, of Los Angeles, Calif., was indicted for possession of 4 1/2 pounds of cocaine. Gonzales' arrest stemmed from a traffic stop by Department of Public Safety troopers on Interstate 40 on March 6.

After a verbal consent to search the vehicle, Trooper John Waight discovered the cocaine, valued at \$200,000, in the spare tire compartment. When he attempted to place Gonzales and

the driver, Roderick Williamson, 20, also of Los Angeles, under arrest, Williamson escaped.

As Waight was pursuing Williamson, Gonzales also took off and hid in a patch of shinnery bushes until he surrendered to Shamrock Police Chief Art Taylor and Wheeler County Sheriff's deputies.

Williamson's charges are being considered by the U.S. District Court in Amarillo. Gonzales' charges were referred to Wheeler County because of his age, Mann said.

Ronald Jay Settle, 53, of Shamrock was also indicted by Wheeler County grand jurors on a charge of delivery of a controlled substance — amphetamines.

Settle's arrest is a result of an undercover drug buy and delivery on Jan. 10 by Panhandle Regional Task Force members, Mann said.

Settle had not been arrested on the charge by press time today.

Fledgling needs to leave the nest

In less than two weeks my daughter Angel will be 14 years old. For the life of me, I can't understand how this happened.

I'm still 20. I know I am, but somehow all these little toddlers that surrounded me are rapidly growing into adults.

While turning 14 may be important to Angel, it's a milestone birthday for me. This means that next year she's going to enter high school.

Everyone knows not to mention that fact around my house, because they're tired of me bursting into tears when they do.

My mother was only 2 1/2 years older than I am now when she became a grandmother. Oh, please ... I'm not ready to be a grandmother. I haven't adjusted to being a mother yet.

I warned Angel some time back that she could not have a baby until she was 30 years old. That's when I learned my husband Vic had told her she couldn't get married until she was 35! What's worse, the discrepancy bothered me a lot more than it bothered her.

So I grounded her for the rest of her life, hoping that would solve the problem.

It doesn't. She's still going to be 14 in about 10 days and I'm still going to have to face the fact that she's going into high school in a few months.

I thought it would be so easy if I could just get my children out of diapers. Boy, was I wrong! That's when the real work begins.

It's hardest on parents when those fledglings first start trying their wings.

A few summers ago we had a blue jay that kept divebombing anyone who came near our house. Without a bit of warning, the blue bomber would suddenly swoop out of the sky and peck an unsuspecting passerby on the head.

We had had several seemingly unprovoked attacks over a several day period. Vic was threatening to get out the shotgun and put an end to the

Off Beat

By
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"swiper," against my protests, of course.

Then one day, after such an attack I saw the reason. A round baby blue jay was hop-flying across the yard. The youngster would manage to get a few beats of airtime before bouncing back to earth. It would sit there in plain sight, panting as it built up enough energy to try to fly again.

It suddenly dawned on me that the blue bomber was actually a protective parent frantically trying to draw all attention away from its vulnerable progeny.

Now as I watch my fledgling begin her first ventures out of the nest, I understand the protective urges that cause a parent to overreact in so many situations.

But, no matter how many possible dangers I may attack, it's still up to the fledgling to learn to fly. Whether I like it or not, the day will come when my baby bird leaves the nest.

When the blue jay learns to fly and leaves home to build its own nest and raise fledglings of its own, the parent bird will see the moment as proof of a job well done.

So that's probably how I should look at it, too. OK. I can relate to the blue jay ... as long as I'm not a grandmother before I'm 40.

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Opinion

Do we really need dwarf tossing ban?

What's the hot topic in the Florida legislature these days? Dwarf tossing. The legislature is considering bills that would ban the practice. The "sport" originated in Australia in 1985, where participants would compete to see who could toss a dwarf the farthest. Wearing crash helmets and pads, the tessees landed on mattresses with nary a complaint and came back for more. There was money to be made and, presumably, it was better than being shot out of a cannon in the circus. Dwarf tosing arrived in south Florida in December when David "Midge" Wilson, a 27-year-old former circus entertainer from Sarasota, brought his act to a Fort Lauderdale disco. And that's when political sensibilities became ruffled. Several Florida politicians have called the practice degrading, which it is, although the participating dwarfs do not see it that way — never underestimate the ability of some people to degrade themselves. Said a state senator: "It's absolutely unbelievable to me that this type of activity goes on." The good senator apparently does not remember the popularity, a generation or two ago, of "freak shows," those carnival attractions that also degraded certain folks who — pathetically but understandably — capitalized on their deformities as a way to make a living. Politicians then had the grace not to try to ban such exhibitions. Even Heidi Heinrich, a dwarf and a Tallahassee lobbyist for Little People of America, got into the act, proclaiming that "this activity is a scar on the reputation of Florida and it legitimizes obscene behavior by its citizens." Presumably the tessees are not represented by the Little People lobby. This is hardly the first time one segment of the population has been embarrassed by the actions of another. But that's not a proper excuse for using the power of government to put a damper on the party, however tasteless the partyers. Both tosser and tessees are consenting adults. Rising above their degradation, in a free society, is something we expect such people to do without an assist from sour-faced government and excitable politicians.

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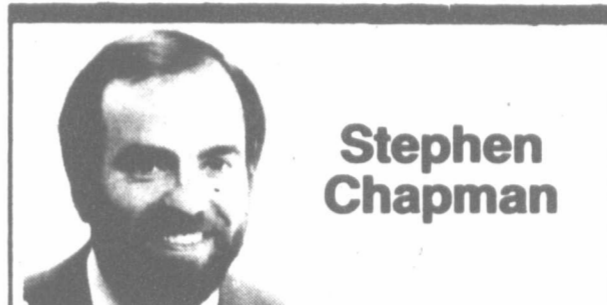
If you turned on the NBC miniseries *Favorite Son* last fall, you got to watch a fetching blonde in her underwear begging a male acquaintance to tie her to the bedposts, which he generously agreed to do. Afterwards, he walked out of the house, got a knife between the shoulder blades and bled to death in the gutter. *Lassie* was never like this.

Illinois Sen. Paul Simon, dismayed at the profusion of violence on the tube and somehow overlooking the sex, has introduced a bill to curb it. The proposal looks innocuous on its face. All it would do is suspend the anti-trust laws to let competitors in the industry formulate "voluntary guidelines" for addressing the alleged problem.

Who could argue with that? No one in the Senate. The bill has passed twice without a dissenting vote, though it died both times in the House. But any time Jesse Helms and Ted Kennedy agree on something, alarm bells ought to go off. What unites them is an unhealthy trait shared by liberals and conservatives: the urge to use government power to enforce their own vision of morality.

Simon may retort: What government power? He says his proposal would address the problem through "private, voluntary action." Far from putting the government in the censor's chair, he says, "it leaves responsibility for the regulation of television violence where it rests today — in the individual good judgment and public-mindedness of broadcasters, cable operators and producers."

Of course the "private, voluntary action" envisioned here is just the sort of thing the anti-trust laws were meant to prevent. It allows competitors to collude to deny viewers something they like. The only difference here is that what



Stephen Chapman

the viewers want is not what the U.S. Senate wants.

What the U.S. Senate wants should be of no more consequence than what the penguins of Antarctica want, at least according to the people who wrote the Constitution. The 1st Amendment says the government can't restrict freedom of speech or freedom of the press.

That's why newspaper editors, if informed that the Senate thought there was too much coverage of violent events in their pages, would ponder the criticism and then do the responsible thing: rise up as one and tell the Senate to go pound sand.

Broadcasters and cable operators, whose freedom to do business depends on the continuing favor of temperamental bureaucrats, can't afford to be quite so feisty. TV people know about the 1st Amendment. But when a congressional committee demands that network executives appear in public hearings to explain their news coverage — as one did last year — they line up like second graders being sent to the principal.

We can safely assume that if they get clear signals from Congress that Don Johnson should be placing crooks in group therapy instead of shooting them, the people who run the TV busi-

ness will probably get together and agree on mutual reductions in their ammunition budgets. That's the problem with this bill. If Congress voted to dictate the maximum number of bullets that can be fired in any given episode of *Miami Vice*, the courts would immediately deposit the law in the nearest shredder, regarding it as an insult to the 1st Amendment.

Having been barred at the front door, Simon is trying to climb in a basement window. Since Congress can't regulate the content of TV shows directly, he wants to accomplish the same thing indirectly.

This is not one of those bills to which critics can merely respond: "You don't like violence on TV? Then don't watch it." The supporters of this bill are worried less about how TV violence affects them than about how it affects the guy next door with the surly disposition and the gun collection.

But the chance that someone, somewhere will be moved to illegal behavior by *Favorite Son* is not a justification for banning TV violence — any more than it's a justification for banning Louis Farrakhan speeches, National Rifle Association ads, detective novels, Geraldo Rivera interviews or anything else that might conceivably provoke lawbreaking.

If public safety is the crucial criterion, our basic liberties are an unaffordable luxury. Fortunately, the Constitution wasn't designed to maximize safety but to maximize freedom.

Those who want to use the government's powers to stamp out TV violence should keep in mind the words of the lawyer who once reminded the Supreme Court that "the commandment of the 1st Amendment is simply: Thou shalt not abridge. And it is not, 'You may abridge, but please try to keep it reasonable.'"



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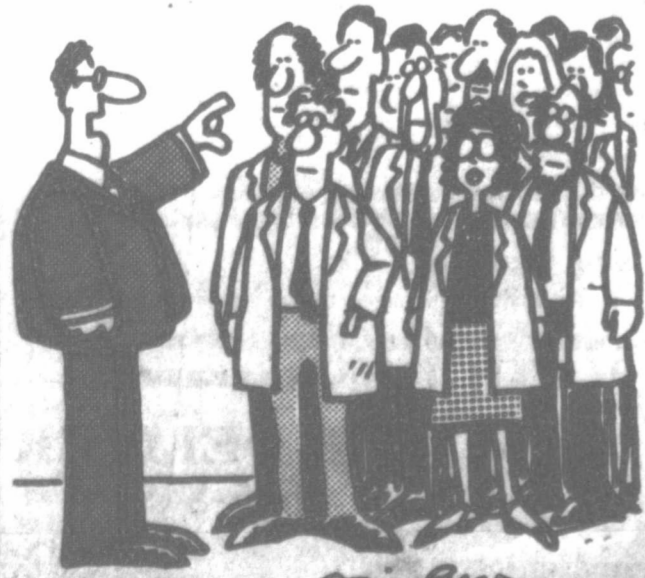
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Another helping of bedspring

There was a little story on the inside pages of the paper the other day about a guy in prison becoming upset over prison food and swallowing certain metal objects in protest. (What was his complaint? Did he order the rice pilaf and get mashed potatoes instead?)

Anyway, the guy swallowed some razor blades and then took to eating his bedsprings. I swear that's what the story said. The guy ate his bedsprings.

The article went on to note the prisoner's stomach was pumped and all the metal was removed from his innards, and that he suffered no ill effects from the entire experience.

All that leads me to ask this question: Which would be less damaging to my health — eating razor blades, bedsprings or apples?

Apples, you must have heard, have fallen on their hardest times since Eve disobeyed God and ate the first one in the Garden of Eden.

Phil Donahue and Meryl Streep were both on television talking about how apples are now covered with various substances that could cause cancer.

The apple scare even led some school systems to take the fruit off its lunchroom menus.

At first, I attempted to handle the news about apples in my usual calm manner.

As I began to think more about the situation,



Lewis Grizzard

however, I became quite rattled and suffered episodes where I babbled incoherently.

During one of my babbling-incoherently fits, I happened to be in a restaurant having lunch.

After I had finished my turkey sandwich, my waitress asked if I wanted any dessert.

"We have fresh apple cobbler today," she said.

"Remember the Alamo! Attention, Blue Light Shoppers! Kenneth, what is the frequency?" I babbled incoherently.

"Are you all right, sir?" the waitress asked me.

"Of course I'm not all right," I answered.

"Airplanes are falling apart in the sky, crazy people are shooting up schoolyards with assault rifles, radon gas is slipping up from our basements, there's a hole in the ozone layer and now

I'm told if I eat apples I could die."

It's not that I would find apple-abstinence that difficult. I'm quite fond of hot apple pie with ice cream on top of it, but I could do without it and eat coconut cream pie, instead, until somebody discovers eating coconuts can lead to having the gout.

It's just that apples are at the very core of our society and now we find they, like so many other things, are foe rather than friend.

After the incident in the Garden of Eden, the image of apples took a distinct upturn.

We had the pleasing legend of Johnny Appleseed. And we taught our children, "An apple a day, keeps the doctor away," and how many times have you heard the following, "as American as apple pie?"

If Johnny Appleseed came back today he would be arrested for trafficking. Now, we say, an apple a day and you'll be dead in six months.

And what do we do about the "as American as apple pie" thing?

Change it to "as American as an AK-47"?

Has it occurred to anybody else that modern living eventually taints just about everything it touches.

It has to me, and it's so depressing I think I'll go eat some razor blades and a couple of bedsprings and have a lampshade for dessert.

Diversity at Yale? What a striking idea

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

When April 6 was designated as the date for a "nationwide" strike by law school students and faculties, the local leftists at Yale Law School flung themselves into the project with enthusiasm. According to a flyer distributed on campus, there was to be "a strike/boycott of all classes (including use of the library and the computer room) and a teach-in."

What the participating law students and law professors at Yale were to strike for, the flyer declared, was "diversity": "multi-racial, multi-cultural and ideological diversity." For example, they demand "a diverse faculty that contains proportionate representation of women, women and men of color and other historically under-represented people."

Now, as it happens, that is a program for which I have considerable (if particularized) sympathy, but I wonder whether the hot-eyed strikers at Yale have really thought its impli-

cations through.

Take the student body, for instance. A close observer of the Yale Law scene tells me that the proportion of female students is already not far short of 40 percent. It would be no skin off my nose if another 10 or 11 percent were added, to bring the ladies up to exact parity with the proportion of females in the population at large.

But is it necessarily the case that, in any given occupation, the ratio of women to men must exactly parallel the national ratio (51 percent to 49 percent)? Must this be true of doctors and dentists as well as lawyers? Of policemen, nurses and mechanical engineers? Of law professors?

On the other hand, no serious observer of the situation or most American college and university campuses today would deny that a stifling conformity prevails: the conformity of left-liberal political opinion. If the strikers at Yale really want "ideological diversity," I'm on their side.

Some years ago, I belonged to a well-intentioned group of volunteers banded together to do the country what they regarded as a service. Most of the members of the group were liberals; in fact, for quite a while I was the only conservative.

Since the group was self-perpetuating, a nominating committee was formed in due course to propose new members to replace those whose terms were expiring. It labored and came forth with a set of nine or 10 names that were commendably diverse, as far as their occupations went. There was a college president, a social worker, a foundation executive, a television producer, an ordained minister, a former congressman, a union official, a newspaper editor and the chief lawyer for a feminist lobby. Some were women; some were black; one was both.

The trouble, as I pointed out to the nonplussed nominating committee, was that every single one of them was passionately liberal: They ran the en-

tire gamut of political opinion from A to B.

And that, of course, is what the strikers up at Yale are really out to produce: a leftist political takeover of all remaining redoubts of non-leftist influence at the law school. "Ideological diversity," my eye! — let alone "proportionate representation."

Conservative students at Yale Law School are roughly as common as bald eagles, and on the faculty they are almost as extinct as the passenger pigeon. How do you suppose the strikers would react to a demand that the Yale Law faculty, let alone the student body, ought to be redesigned to correspond to the respective national totals for Bush and Dukakis last November (54 to 46 percent)?

Well, it's spring, and that's the traditional time for these lefties to crawl out from under their rocks and make a few "demands," the more absurd the better. They have just about demolished Harvard Law School. Now, evidently, it's Yale's turn.

Ueberroth's Eastern bid flops after tumultuous bargaining

By MARCY GORDON
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP)—Peter V. Ueberroth's vow to resurrect ailing Eastern Airlines crumbled along with the hopes of its striking unions when his \$464 million deal for the carrier evaporated before it was a week old.

The ex-baseball commissioner announced the failure of his proposed takeover Wednesday after tumultuous negotiations between his aides and Eastern's parent Texas Air Corp. reached an impasse in federal bankruptcy court.

The judge moved immediately to attract other buyers.

"Our agreement with Texas Air is terminated, it's finished, it's over," Ueberroth said.

Ueberroth, who had described the deal as a historic opportunity for business-labor cooperation when it was announced April 6, said his investor group did not plan to make a new offer.

Employees would have owned 30 percent of the company in exchange for \$210 million in concessions under the deal.

Ueberroth's dramatic entry as a bidder and just-as-dramatic departure injected new uncertainty into prospects for an airline that has been largely idled and losing millions of dollars since the Machinist union struck March 4. Its pilots and flight attendants joined the walkout.

His withdrawal doused hopes among many strikers that a strong new leader had emerged to take control of an airline they claim has been butchered by Texas Air chairman Frank Lorenzo since he bought it three years ago.

"I'm disappointed to say the least," said Wally Haber, a Machinist union official in Eastern's home base of Miami.

Bankruptcy Judge Burton Lifland had sought unsuccessfully to salvage the deal after talks bogged down.

After Ueberroth formally announced the deal failed, Lifland ordered David I. Shapiro, the court-

appointed examiner overseeing the bankruptcy, to meet Friday with him, Eastern's creditors and union representatives.

The judge also ordered them to explain on Monday why he shouldn't invite other bids that would include major assets Eastern had owned before Lorenzo bought the airline for \$676 million.

The order is based on a petition by a frequent Eastern passenger, Atlanta attorney Moreton Rolleston Jr., who seeks to block the proposed sale of Eastern's Northeast shuttle for \$365 million to developer Donald Trump. Eastern has moved to have the judge allow the sale.

The petition also seeks to require that any purchase of Eastern be for \$615 million; include all of its System One computerized reservation system, which it sold to Texas Air; and include aircraft transferred to sister carrier Continental Airlines.

Takeover specialist Carl Icahn, chairman of rival Trans World Airlines, said after the Ueberroth deal collapsed that he remained interested in a possible. He didn't elaborate.

In addition, New York diamond dealer Willy Censor said he had formed a partnership with an unidentified foreign airline that he said could raise more than \$250 million for a bid. Eastern attorneys declined to comment on whether the airline considered him a serious suitor.

Eastern President Phil Bakes told reporters the airline planned to reorganize by operating about half its pre-strike schedule of 1,040 flights daily with about half the pre-strike work force of 31,000.

The Ueberroth deal's collapse came less than a week after he said his group would acquire Eastern and a 19.9 percent stake in System One for \$464 million.

The deal appeared almost assured Monday when Ueberroth won five-year labor commitments from the unions. But it began to unravel over their insistence that a court-appointed outsider run the airline regardless of whether Ueberroth's bid succeeded. Sources speaking on condition of anonymity said Lorenzo balked at that demand.

Tough border town startled by claims of satanic murders

By ELOY O. AGUILAR
Associated Press Writer

MATAMOROS, Mexico (AP)—Traditional smugglers have long had a macho image and been praised in song along the swash-buckling U.S.-Mexico border, but the discovery of a drug ring involved in satanic killings was outside anyone's experience.

"Our smugglers do not pray to the devil," said secretary Alma Rosa Garza. She noted that the leader of a voodoo cult of drug smugglers responsible for at least 12 ritual slayings was Cuban.

Smuggling along the border involves drugs and illegal immigrants going north; luxury and consumer goods and even industrial and farm machinery that is highly taxed in Mexico comes the other way.

And thousands of Americans come to Matamoros and nearby Reynosa every night to drink, party or visit whorehouses. Nearly 22,000 visitors, many of them

college students, come across daily during college spring break.

Some of that changed when Mark Kilroy, a pre-med student from the University of Texas, disappeared during an expedition with friends to Matamoros.

But the solution — the discovery that Kilroy was among those killed by smugglers who believed satanic ritual would protect them from harm — was far stranger than anyone had thought possible.

Mexican police said five people have been arrested in the case, and authorities on both sides of the border were seeking the cult "godfather," identified as Adolfo de Jesus Constanzo, a Cuban national in his late 40s.

"It was the strangest case involving drugs that I have seen in my years as a newsman," said Edgardo Montiel, editorial director of the Matamoros newspaper El Bravo. Violence is common in the border, he said, but not this kind of violence.



(AP Laserphoto)

Matamoros residents wait outside funeral home for word on victims identification.

"We are very concerned and we will tell the tourists that 99.9 percent of the people here are good and that it only takes one or

two to give the others a bad name," said Ignacio Garcia, a shift supervisor at Pancho Villa's restaurant, on Wednesday.

Authorities were quick to say the mass killing should not alarm potential tourists.

"We do not issue travel advisories in connection with isolated criminal acts," said Frances Jones, spokeswoman for consular affairs at the State Department in Washington.

"We do not believe there is any danger to people traveling to Matamoros," said Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox.

This city on the southern side of the Rio Grande near the tip of Texas is widely known as a place where drug trafficking money buys political power and legitimate business concerns and tries to keep the peace.

Songs celebrate smugglers' courage in gunbattles with the law on both sides of the border.

The smugglers form a social group ranging from the gun-toting river rat carrying sacks of marijuana and packs of cocaine to the big time operator who runs tons of drugs, owns legitimate businesses and doubles as school

benefactor and charitable town figure.

In every border town, from Matamoros to Tijuana on the California border 2,000 miles to the west, their true calling seems to be known to all.

"You can point them out," Matamoros Mayor Fernando Montemayor said in an interview with The Associated Press, "but you can't prove anything. It is like the Mafia in the United States."

Montemayor said the case "is an alarm to alert us on both sides of the border."

"Crazies like these are the product of the drug traffic," said the mayor who has closed down expensive bars and restaurants where drugs were sold and also shut down the red light district.

Federal Prosecutor Jose Silva said some killings appeared to be more revenge murder than cult sacrifice. At least two victims were former local police who had had some connection with the Matamoros drug trade.

Volume of toxic waste release unexpectedly high, EPA says

WASHINGTON (AP)—Federal officials expressed amazement that U.S. industry released 22.5 billion pounds of toxic materials into the air, water and ground in a single year, but they cautioned against jumping to conclusions about the health effects.

The Environmental Protection Agency released the toxic pollution figures Wednesday after they had been submitted to the agency by chemical companies, mining companies and other in-

dustries under a new public disclosure law.

The EPA acknowledged that not all the companies reported discharges despite the threat of fines, and the law did not cover smaller businesses such as gasoline service stations.

"The numbers are startling ... unacceptably high and far beyond what we thought was occurring," Linda Fischer, assistant EPA administrator for policy and planning, told reporters. At the same news conference,

Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., said "the numbers are staggering" and provide clear evidence that stronger emission controls are needed for industry.

But EPA officials emphasized that the statistics represented only raw numbers that have yet to be analyzed, and some expressed uneasiness with releasing them altogether without further interpretation.

EPA Administrator William Reilly said in a statement that while the raw figures indicate

tighter pollution standards are needed in some cases, they do not prove in themselves that a public health problem exists.

"Release does not equal exposure," said Reilly, noting that the raw figures do not take into account rates of release, concentrations or actual exposure to humans.

"It is likely that only a few facilities are exposing the public to toxic chemicals at a rate that could require immediate action," Reilly said.

Nevertheless, the sheer volume of toxic substances, representing more than 300 chemicals, including an assortment known to cause cancer and other serious illnesses, took government officials by surprise.

The pollutants, released during 1987, broke down this way: 9.7 billion pounds of chemicals into streams and other bodies of water, 2.7 billion pounds into the air, 2.4 billion pounds into landfills, 3.2 billion pounds injected deep into the ground for disposal, 1.9

billion pounds shipped to municipal waste water treatment plants and 2.6 billion pounds sent to off-site treatment and disposal facilities.

Although discharges into water accounted for by far the largest volume of releases, EPA officials said 95 percent of those were of sodium sulfate, a chemical the EPA already has determined does not pose significant health risks or environmental harm and is expected to be taken off the toxics list later this year.

Stanford collider produces its first Z particle

By LEE SIEGEL
AP Science Writer

Physicists popped champagne corks after a \$125 million atom smasher made its first Z particle, a milestone in the quest to "understand what's in the mind of God" by studying the birth of the universe and the makeup of matter.

"I'm happy, with relief and joy," said Burton Richter, 1976 Nobel laureate in physics and director of the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, 30 miles southeast of San Francisco.

Richter said scientists drank champagne Wednesday after confirming one Z particle was produced Tuesday by the 3-mile-long Stanford Linear Collider after an almost two-year delay.

While Z particles are incredibly tiny, they are the heaviest known fundamental particle of matter, weighing the same as 100 protons, the positively charged particles in the center of atoms. They can be thought of as "heavy

light" because they are a heavier version of photons, particles that carry light.

Discovered by European scientists in 1983, Z particles are so heavy they could have existed naturally only for an instant after the "big bang" — the incomprehensible explosion scientists believe formed the universe up to 20 billion years ago.

Stanford's collider is designed to mass-produce Z particles by smashing together electrons — negatively charged particles that make a television picture — and their antimatter counterparts, called positrons. Mass production of thousands of Z particles will take months, Richter cautioned.

The scientists at the European Laboratory for Particle Physics (CERN) found the particle by using a collider in which protons are smashed against the antimatter counterparts called antiprotons.

Since 1983, hundreds of Z particles have been produced at different kinds of particle smashers at CERN and at Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory near Chicago. Those

machines produced some Z particles but mostly other products of atomic decay.

The Stanford collider and one being built at CERN's lab in Geneva are to produce mostly Z particles.

Temperatures approach 1 million-billion degrees at the tiny collision point inside Stanford's machine, coming close to re-creating conditions that existed in the first one-tenth of one-billionth of a second after the big bang, said California Institute of Technology physicist Alan Weinstein.

"We're doing this to try and understand more about the physical universe: the fundamental building blocks of matter and the forces that hold those building blocks together," Richter said.

The collider will let physicists "peer deeper into matter and look back at what the universe was like nearer and nearer to its beginning," he added.

Richter said last year that "what we're really after is trying to understand what's in the mind of God."

Moscow to ration sugar

MOSCOW (AP)—Soviet authorities will begin rationing sugar in Moscow next month, a newspaper said, in a move that is likely to increase discontent with the effects of the nation's economic reforms.

Sugar has been rationed in many areas of the Soviet Union for months, but some Muscovites said the limits on sugar purchases announced in the *Moskovskaya Pravda* newspaper are the first decreed in the capital since World War II.

Demand for sugar skyrocketed in the Soviet Union after Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev launched his anti-alcohol campaign in April 1985, which included sharp cuts in the production of vodka and other alcoholic beverages.

Gorbachev and other Soviet officials have blamed the increase in sugar consumption since then on Soviets who buy the substance to brew "samogon," or moonshine, at home.

Limits on sugar sales, without precedent in the lifetime of many Muscovites, seemed certain to increase anger over the effects of Gorbachev's reforms. Many Soviets say "perestroika," or restructuring, has not improved their traditionally dreary diet or put better quality goods in the stores.

Moskovskaya Pravda, in its Tuesday edition, quoted Valery

A. Zharov, chief of the consumer trading department of the Moscow city government, as saying the "sugar boom" in Moscow began in April 1988 and that the product disappeared then from city stores.

The city's government requested an extra 50,000 tons of sugar to meet increased demand, but consumption again shot up in February, Zharov said.

He blamed the latest jump in demand on the imposition of sugar rationing in most areas of the Russian federation and in the other republics of the Soviet Union, meaning outsiders were stocking up on sugar while in Moscow.

The capital was again given an additional 40,000 tons of sugar, Zharov said, but the additional supply did not satisfy demand.

"No matter how sad it is, we are forced to introduce coupons for the right to buy sugar," he said. "In May, to every Muscovite, including children and temporary residents, we will guarantee two kilograms (4.4 pounds) of sugar."

That quantity will be increased to 6.6 pounds per Muscovite in June and July, the season when many people traditionally make fruit preserves, he said.

Asked how long Moscow residents will need ration cards to buy sugar, Zharov said the system should remain in place until the end of the year.

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Shelling resumes in Beirut on 14th anniversary of conflict

By **RODEINA KENNAAN**
Associated Press Writer

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)— Syrian and Christian gunners battled across the capital's dividing Green Line today, blasting harbors and residential districts as French envoys tried to arrange evacuation of the wounded to a hospital ship.

The shelling complicated the task of an Arab League mediation panel seeking to enforce a cease-fire and open the way for constitutional reforms that could end the sectarian conflict.

The civil war, which entered its 15th year today, has claimed more than 150,000 lives.

Police said four soldiers from Gen. Michel Aoun's mostly Christian army units were killed during the night by shells that hit the presidential palace in suburban Baabda and the Defense Ministry in neighboring Yaze, and that 20 civilians were wounded.

That brought the overall casualty toll to 196 killed and 677 wounded since the current fighting broke out March 8, pitting Aoun's 20,000 troops

against an alliance of 40,000 Syrian soldiers and 7,000 Druse militiamen.

Rockets fired from multi-barreled launchers stationed around Moslem west Beirut rained on and around Christian enclaves in Beirut and Jounieh at mid-morning, said a police spokesman who cannot be named under standing rules.

Christian gunners retaliated with 155mm barges aimed at west Beirut's Ein Mreisseh seaside residential district and Syrian batteries stationed near the airport on the city's southern edge, the spokesman said.

Aoun, 53, who also heads a Christian military Cabinet in Lebanon's dual government, lives in a bunker beneath the Baabda palace and works at the Defense Ministry.

His quarters were shelled after he told a news conference at Baabda Wednesday night that the civil war has left Lebanon a "cadaver."

The latest fighting occurred after another battle Wednesday in which Christian and Moslem forces fired artillery shells at each others' strongholds in Beirut and nearby mountains, and police said one

person was killed and seven were wounded.

Motorists sped away after a shell slammed into a seaside boulevard near fish restaurants in Moslem west Beirut's Raouche district.

French Ambassador Paul Blanc told reporters a shell hit the French Embassy compound in the Christian Hazmieh suburb Wednesday, causing damage but no injuries.

Christian and Moslem forces accused each other of ordering gunners to target residential districts of Beirut.

A group of right-wing Christian politicians met in Kuwait with Foreign Minister Sheik Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, head of a six-member Arab League panel. The politicians, led by Phalange Party leader George Saadeh, discussed ways of ending Lebanon's 14-year-old civil war. The panel, formed in January, already has met with Lebanese Moslem and religious leaders.

The Christian Voice of Lebanon radio said Syrian gunners provoked Wednesday's artillery barrage by shelling several areas in the 310-square-mile Christian enclave northeast of Beirut.

The Moslem-run Voice of the Nation blamed the escalation on Christian gunners and said they were targeting the Raouche district.

Civilians rushed back in to bunkers and underground bomb shelters Wednesday. Shopkeepers lowered their shutters, and employees ran out of their offices as the thud of exploding shells rocked the city.

Last week, Syrian rockets set fire to a depot containing nearly two-thirds of Lebanon's fuel reserves. The resulting fuel shortage has reduced power supplies in some areas to one hour a day.

The worst fighting in four years started after Aoun, who also heads the Christian military Cabinet in Lebanon's divided government, ordered a blockade of ports run by Moslem militias. He said the illegally operated ports were costing the state treasury \$100 million in lost import dues.

In retaliation, Druse warlord Walid Jumblatt's Progressive Socialist Party militia shelled Beirut port and the Christian enclave.

Former '60s radical Abbie Hoffman dies

NEW HOPE, Pa. (AP)— Abbie Hoffman, 52, the satirical Chicago Seven radical who captured the hearts and minds of one generation and angered another by tossing dollar bills on a stock exchange floor and founding the Yippie party, has died.

Hoffman, who wrote the books *Revolution for the Hell of It* and *Steal This Book*, was found dead in his home Wednesday evening, said Solebury Township Police Chief Richard Mangan.

He was fully dressed and under the covers of his bed.

Michael Waldron, a neighbor, found Hoffman and told police Hoffman had been depressed about an auto accident in which he suffered a broken leg last June. But Mangan said no evidence suggested suicide. An autopsy is planned for tonight.

Hoffman's death shocked those who knew him.

"Oh, God. I'm stunned. He was brilliant," Dr. Timothy Leary said. The LSD guru then added he needed time to collect his

thoughts before he could comment further.

"Abbie Hoffman was an American legend," Leary said later.

Gerald B. Lefcourt, Hoffman's long-time attorney, remembered him as a humorous man devoted to correcting what was wrong with society.

"He threw money on the (American) stock exchange floor in the late '60s and was able to show in that satirical event, when hundreds of people on the stock exchange on Wall Street chased flying money on the floor, how silly it all was," Lefcourt said from his New York City home.

"It's the end of an era," said Hoffman's 49-year-old brother, Jack, from his Framingham, Mass., home.

"He was 52 years old and I think he gave up: ... Maybe he was tired. I know he was disappointed in the young people of today. He didn't feel he was getting through to them. He was disenchanting."

Just last week, Hoffman, who

criticized college campuses in recent years as "bastions of rest," told a Vanderbilt University audience that he was saddened by the interest today's young people have in the 1960s.

"Nostalgia is a sign of middle-age," he told them during an appearance with Leary. "We're reminiscing about our youth. When you see young people nostalgic for a youth they didn't even experience, it's a little sad. They're supposed to be out making one for themselves."

A native of Worcester, Mass., Hoffman rose to prominence with the Chicago Seven, a group of radicals who stood trial on charges of conspiring to disrupt the bloody 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

The others were Thomas Hayden, Jerry Rubin, David Dellinger, Reynard C. Davis, Lee Weiner and John Froines.

The 4½-month-long federal trial's theatrics featured wild-haired defendants and a 74-year-old judge, Julius Hoffman, who

ordered Bobby Seale, a former Black Panther leader, bound and gagged in the courtroom. Seale's trial later was severed from the others.

Hoffman and four others also were charged with crossing state lines with intent to riot. They were acquitted of conspiracy but convicted of the second charge. The convictions eventually were overturned.

Two years ago, he was arrested for the 42nd time while protesting CIA recruitment at the University of Massachusetts. Hoffman, Amy Carter, daughter of former President Carter, and 13 others eventually were acquitted of trespassing and disorderly conduct.

Hoffman, whose given name was Abbott, was born Nov. 30, 1936.

His activist roots can be traced to Worcester, where in the early '60s he was a chairman of the Friends of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and vice chairman of the Congress of Racial Equality.



Abbie Hoffman

Utah fusion researcher defends experiment

By **PAUL RECER**
AP Science Writer

DALLAS (AP)— The co-developer of a University of Utah cold fusion experiment submitted to intense scrutiny by his peers, and concluded he was certain it was a way to tap the energy of the stars.

Chemist B. Stanley Pons told 7,000 people attending a meeting of the American Chemical Society on Wednesday that an experiment conducted at room temperature produced energy from nuclear fusion, but that exactly how it works on a molecular level is still not clear.

"It's absolutely sure in my mind that what we've seen (is nuclear fusion)," said Pons. "We cannot explain the data in any other way."

Pons received long-distance support just as the discussions began. Scientists in the Soviet Union announced they had duplicated the Utah experiment and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology said it had applied for patents involving cold nuclear fusion.

But a physicist and other experts who sat beside Pons during a panel discussion said they remained unconvinced that the Utah experiment was fusion.

Harold P. Furth, director of the Princeton University Plasma Physics Laboratory, said with barely contained contempt that world-class physicists will not take the Utah findings seriously until the precise process involved is explained and demonstrated with control experiments.

Furth said that some experts believe the energy detected in the Utah experiment is actually a chemical reaction that is not understood.

Another panel member, University of Texas chemist Allen J. Bard, said he had an open mind on the experiment, but added: "It is unprecedented to see chemical reactions produce nuclear reactions. The verdict is still out."

Two weeks ago, Pons and co-investigator Martin Fleischmann of the University of Southampton in Britain announced they had achieved fusion using ordinary laboratory equipment at room temperature.

The announcement stunned and confused researchers around the world, some of whom have spent more than 25 years and millions of dollars trying to develop controlled nuclear fusion.

Pons and Fleischmann said their experiment used a rod of palladium and a coil of platinum immersed in a beaker of deuterium,

an isotope of hydrogen found in seawater. When electricity was applied to the coil for about 100 hours, it forced deuterium atoms into the palladium until the atoms fused, producing energy in the form of heat, Pons said.

He said the current forces atoms of the deuterium, an isotope of hydrogen, into the crystal structure of the palladium. Eventually, the deuterium becomes so compressed in the metal that nuclei of the isotope begin to fuse. As this occurs, the process gives off heat, some neutrons and helium.

Pons said he now is "scaling up," or enlarging, the experiment and said if the process still works then cold fusion may provide a dramatic new energy source for the world.

Furth agreed with that, noting that if it works, "it might be regarded as the great breakthrough of the century."

Pons admitted that he was not precisely sure how the experiment causes fusion to occur and exactly what role each of the chemicals play in the production of energy.

He said the deuterium used in the experiment is laced with lithium, to conduct electricity between the palladium and the platinum, and that the lithium may

play a role in the reaction.

Pons also said the reaction's force depends upon the size of the palladium electrode and that more energy will be generated as he "scales up" the amount of palladium used.

The Utah scientist acknowledged that palladium and platinum are expensive metals, and said that cheaper metals, such as titanium, may work in the same process.

Furth said physicists will not take the work seriously until a control experiment is conducted using ordinary water instead of deuterium, which is also called "heavy water."

"I don't think they'll think about it hard until experiments force them to do so," he said. If a control experiment using ordinary water fails to produce energy, Furth said it will prove that Pons' findings are not the result of a deuterium chemical reaction as some physicists now believe.

Furth said that physicists are also skeptical about the Utah experiment because Pons' reported only a slight flow of neutrons.

"Nuclear physicists are puzzled by cold fusion because the neutrons are down by a billion or so from what would be predicted" for the energy that Pons claims, Furth said.

Five face illegal turkey trapping charges

FORT STOCKTON (AP)— A former New Mexico Game and Fish commissioner and four other people face charges of illegally trapping West Texas turkeys to transfer to New Mexico, officials say.

Houston McKenzie, a former New Mexico game commissioner in Tucumanari from 1972 to 1975, is suspected of illegally trapping wild turkeys at his Pecos County, Texas, ranch, and of transporting them from his ranch.

McKenzie's former employee, Manuel Torres; a retired Carlsbad, N.M., couple, Merrill and Elaine Erhmentraut; and Tom Vining, president of the Carlsbad Sportsman's Club, also are accused of illegally trapping turkeys, said Stanley Brooks, Texas Parks and Wildlife regional law enforcement director.

Arrest warrants have been issued, but not served, on the five, Brooks said Tuesday.

McKenzie was out on his ranch Wednesday and was unavailable for comment.

But Vining said Tuesday the accusations are retaliation for felony and misdemeanor charges that New Mexico filed a few weeks ago against Charles Allen, then the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's wild game director.

Allen, who was fired April 5, was charged in Otero County, N.M., with illegally capturing

three New Mexico antelope with a helicopter.

Brooks said the pending charges have nothing to do with the Allen case, and that the West Texas case was first investigated by federal and New Mexico wildlife officials.

Vining said the allegations against him and the four others stem from incidents a year earlier.

"I don't think Texas was interested in doing anything until suddenly we had some outside pressure to embarrass the Sportsman's Club — and maybe retribution (for) Charles Allen,"

Vining said.

Brooks said his office became involved in the case just five weeks ago, and that the pending charges "have nothing whatsoever to do with" the Allen case.

Brooks said arrest warrants were issued earlier this month, but have not been served. He said the defendants have been notified.

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Stress turns schoolkids into pencil-chewing bundle of nerves

By MICHAEL HORAK
Associated Press Writer

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP)—Stress is turning kids into pencil-chewing, teeth-gritting bundles of nerves, according to experts who say such problems in early elementary school can lead to increased teen drug use, sex and suicide.

A survey of more than 4,000 Kansas kindergartners through third graders showed that 42 percent experienced "negative stress behavior," which includes headaches, inability to sleep, biting fingernails, worrying about doing poorly in school, stomach aches and short tempers, said Darrel Lang, director of the Center of Health Promotion and Wellness at Emporia State University.

"Here we are in Kansas, the middle of the country, conservative, the pace is slower," said Lang. "My feeling is that larger communities in more populated states the stress levels in kids are much higher."

Because stress ingrained at an early age generally remains with children, the consequences in teen age can be devastating, he said. Similar behavior was found through grade 12 in the survey of 18,000 Kansas students.

"Kids are more stressed out today because our society has more stress," said Lang. "It's a reflection of the society in which we live. A lot of people think stress is an adult condition. Well, it's not."

The stress kids are under in early childhood, from domineering parents to broken homes to a more competitive society, is leading children to higher rates of suicide, pregnancy, substance abuse, to drop out and to health problems such as chronic heart disease and obesity, experts say.

The causes of stress are as varied as the consequences, but experts agree the No. 1 source of kid stress is at home.

"If a child goes from a warm home to a cold school, they have a chance of surviving. If they come from a warm home to a warm school, of course they will make it, but if they come from a cold home to a cold school, there is no way they will make it," said Margaret Fitch, an assistant superintendent from Omaha, Neb., who addressed a meeting on stress late last month.

The problem has grown worse, educators say, because of an increasingly competitive society and the growing number of single-parent families—all of which contribute to a lack of communication.

"A typical parent communicates with their kid an average of 14 minutes a day," said Richard Nelson, associate professor of education at the University of Kansas. "And about 12 of those minutes are spent discussing such unimportant things as what is for dinner."

Another source of stress are parents who treat their children as status symbols and instill a belief in the children that they must behave right, wear the right clothes, make the right grades and have the right friends.

"Those parents give their children conditional love," Nelson said. "They say, we will love you if..."

Early childhood stress also can result in health problems such as coronary heart disease, obesity and mental illness.

"Our health behaviors are established by the time we are 18 and they are difficult to change," Lang said. "If a child is under stress at an early age, more than likely he will continue to be throughout life."

Educators agree that a cornerstone in dealing with the problems of early childhood stress is developing a student's self-concept or self-esteem.

"We need to find ways at an early time in a child's life to give children a sense of belonging, a sense of feeling good about themselves," Fitch said.

School districts need to keep class sizes down to provide for better communication between students and teachers, the teacher-to-student ratio needs to increase so kids can have an adult friend to turn to, and schools need to put more emphasis on teaching parents about parenting, she said. "Sometimes parents don't realize what is happening with their children."

Most of the 150 teachers who attended the conference last month were aware that their students were under stress, but few had talked about it with other educators, said Lang, who wrote *Lazy Dogs and Snoozing Frogs: Quieting and Relaxation Activities for Children* after conducting the study in Kansas.

"We had them look at high dropout rates, the fact that there are over 1 million teen-age pregnancies a year, the increasing rate of suicide and substance abuse," he said. "We asked, how does it all come together?"

"The answer was stress."

'Dream Street' is no-holds-barred take of the 20s age group

By KATHRYN BAKER
AP Television Writer

UNION CITY, N.J. (AP)—After leaving the crew to set up the next shot in the smoky nightclub, Mark Rosner walks purposefully up the street toward his office trailer.

He passes a woman with a glazed look in her eyes, rouged cheeks, frightful blond hair and snow-white fingernails.

Rosner shakes his head when she is out of earshot. "Extras never look as good as real people," he says with a sigh.

In the office, Rosner sinks into a corner to talk about *Dream Street*, the series he is writing and directing for NBC. It premieres tonight in a 90-minute special before moving to its regular hour-long time period on Fridays.

From the first twang of the guitar on "After Midnight" and the best opening credits since *Miami Vice*, it's clear this is a different kind of television series.

Already dubbed variously *dirysomething* or *twentysomething*, a comparison with the hit ABC series *thirtysomething* that comes from the same executive producers, Ed Zwick and Marshall Herskovitz, *Dream Street* is a no-holds-barred tale of 20s, when young people are hit with the realities of adulthood.

Dale Midkiff (*Elvis and Me*) stars as Denis Debeauvoir, who takes over the family refrigeration business after his father has a

stroke, bypassing his anguished failure of an older brother, Harry (Peter Frechette).

Thomas Calabro plays Denis' best friend, Joey Coltrera, who is joining his father's business, too—organized crime.

Rosner offers his own catchphrase for the show.

"I started calling it 'rock 'n' roll television,' because I don't want people to call it like 'blue-collar' television. To me that sounds like real '50s, kitchen-sink, good-for-you television, and that's not it," he said. "The fact that the characters are working-class is the context in which the stories take place. To me, what it's really about is being in your 20s and trying to be a grownup for the first time, really."

"To me all the great rock 'n' roll is about that stuff. ... And also just because it moves real fast and it looks real hot and the energy is real high on this show, that handle seems to make sense to me."

Dream Street derived from a network executive's suggestion for a show that was "young, sexy, urban." Zwick and Herskovitz developed the idea, but *thirtysomething* was picked up in the meantime and *Dream Street* put on hold until Rosner took it over. He had met Zwick and Herskovitz at the American Film Institute when all three were aspiring film directors.

Herskovitz, in an interview in his office in Studio City, Calif., where he was overseeing *thirtysomething*, said he and Zwick, who was off filming a movie, "could not possibly have considered doing the second show if we didn't have someone like Mark."

"Ed and I have been able to be very influential in a lot of the conceptual and creative elements of the show, but at the same time what we share with Mark is the idea of what it means to be a filmmaker. I don't tell him how to make his shots," Herskovitz said.

What *Dream Street* does have in common with *thirtysomething* is reliance on character more than plot.

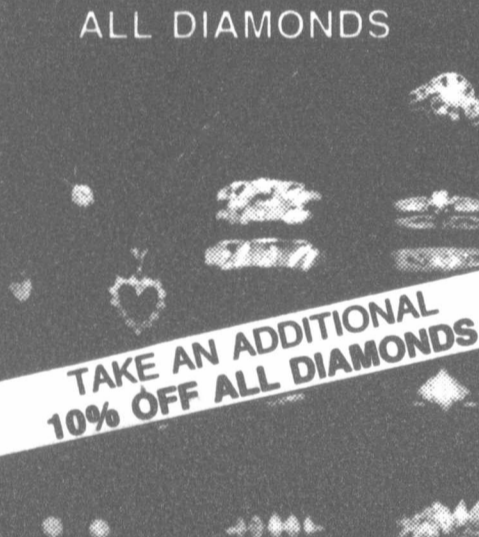
Joni Goldstein (Cecil Hoffman) is engaged to Joey, but only her cynical roommate, Kara (Christine Moore), realizes what kind of life she's in for. Denis, meanwhile, courts a reluctant elementary school teacher (Jo Anderson). His youngest brother (David Gray) runs wild, drinking and carousing. That this behavior meets with big brother's approval, at least in the pilot, is bound to raise some eyebrows.

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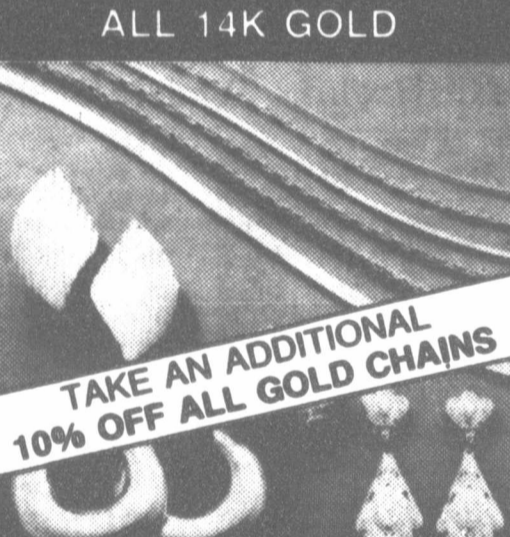
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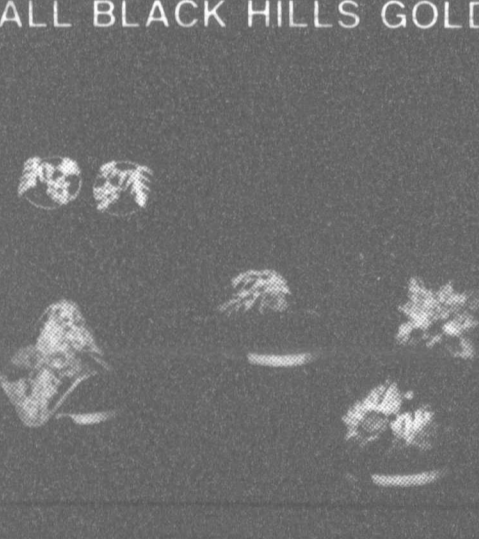
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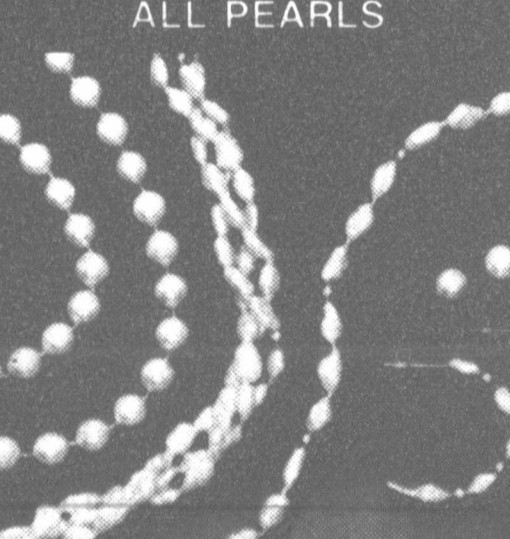
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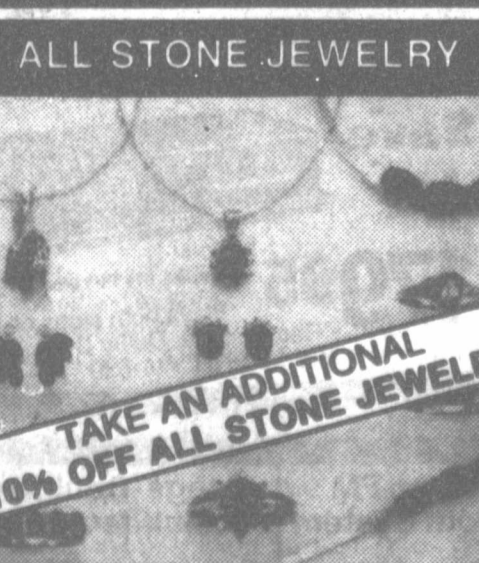
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Gorbachev appeals to Soviet Georgia protesters for calm

By ANDREW KATELL
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev Wednesday appealed for calm in Soviet Georgia and an end to nationalist demonstrations that have claimed at least 19 lives in the southern republic, the Tass news agency said.

Also Wednesday, the Communist Party chief of Soviet Georgia offered to resign after local leaders met to discuss the violence, the Foreign Ministry said.

The appeal from Gorbachev and the resignation offer came as scattered strikes continued in Georgia and funerals were readied for the people who were killed during the suppression of the protests Sunday.

In an address to the Georgian people, which Tass said was published in the republic's capital, Gorbachev said pro-independence demonstrations "damaged the interests of perestroika, democratization and renewal in the country."

Gorbachev said, "The interests of the working people have nothing in common with attempts to sever the existing ties of friendship and cooperation among our peoples, dismantle the socialist system in the republic and push it into the slough of ethnic enmity."

Gorbachev said "actions by irresponsible persons" had to the loss of life in Tbilisi, the

republic's capital, and he called on all inhabitants of Georgia to show restraint and common sense.

"We may not allow a blow to be dealt to the interests of any Soviet republic, to the brotherhood of the peoples of the U.S.S.R., to the cause of renewal," Gorbachev said.

Gennady Gerasimov, the Foreign Ministry spokesman, said party leader Dzhumber Patiashvili "asked to be relieved of his duties" at a leadership meeting Tuesday night and that the party will now decide his fate.

Gerasimov said Patiashvili acted after widespread criticism of Georgian leaders, but the spokesman did not specify what prompted the complaints.

Officials have said 18 civilians died in the violence Sunday, but Gerasimov today said another girl died Tuesday, bringing the death toll to 19. Their funerals will be held today, Friday and Saturday, he said.

Pravda put the number of police and troops injured in a clash Sunday between Soviet troops and pro-independence demonstrators at 91. Previously, officials had said 75 soldiers and police were hurt.

No reason was given for the change.

Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze, an ethnic Georgian, remained in his home republic to help quell the unrest. He met with people on the street and had a "heated but at the same time substantive dia-

logue," Gerasimov said.

The official Communist Party newspaper Pravda said Wednesday that the mood remained "extremely tense" in Tbilisi, the Georgian capital, and several other cities in the republic.

A church employee in Tbilisi, who demanded anonymity, said in a telephone interview that the situation in the capital is "more or less quiet now" and that authorities had promised to life an overnight curfew. Authorities continued to enforce a ban on public gatherings.

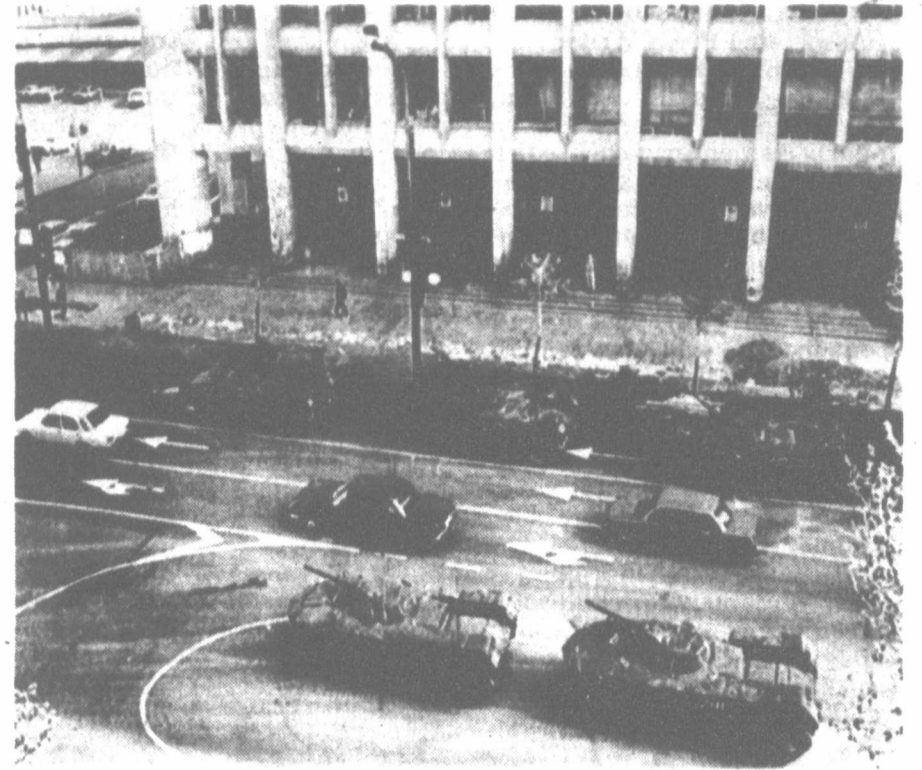
The central square where the clash took place was covered Wednesday in flowers, placed as memorial tributes to the dead, said Zhorab Lomidze, an editor at the Georgian news agency Gruzinform.

About 200 people were arrested for violating the curfew, and police were confiscating 66,000 registered hunting rifles from the public, Gerasimov told reporters. He did not give a reason.

Demonstrations in the southern republic began April 4.

Protesters had attacked calls from some members of the republic's ethnic Abkhazians minority to secede because of alleged discrimination by Georgians.

Others demanded Georgia secede from the Soviet Union because of alleged interference by the central government in their political, economic and cultural affairs.



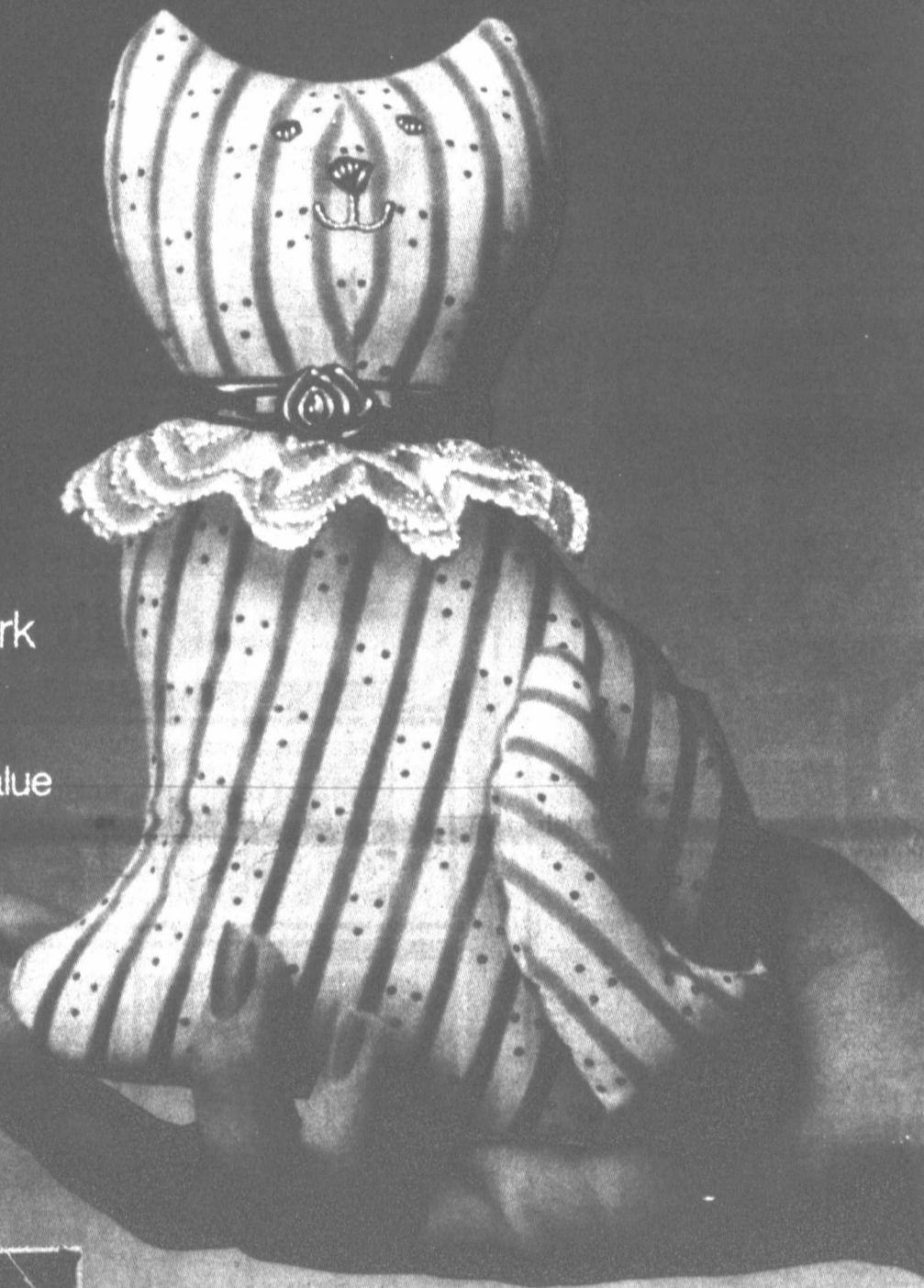
Armored personnel carriers roll by the Central Telegraph building of the Georgian capital Tbilisi as Soviet Interior Ministry troops continued to patrol the city Wednesday.

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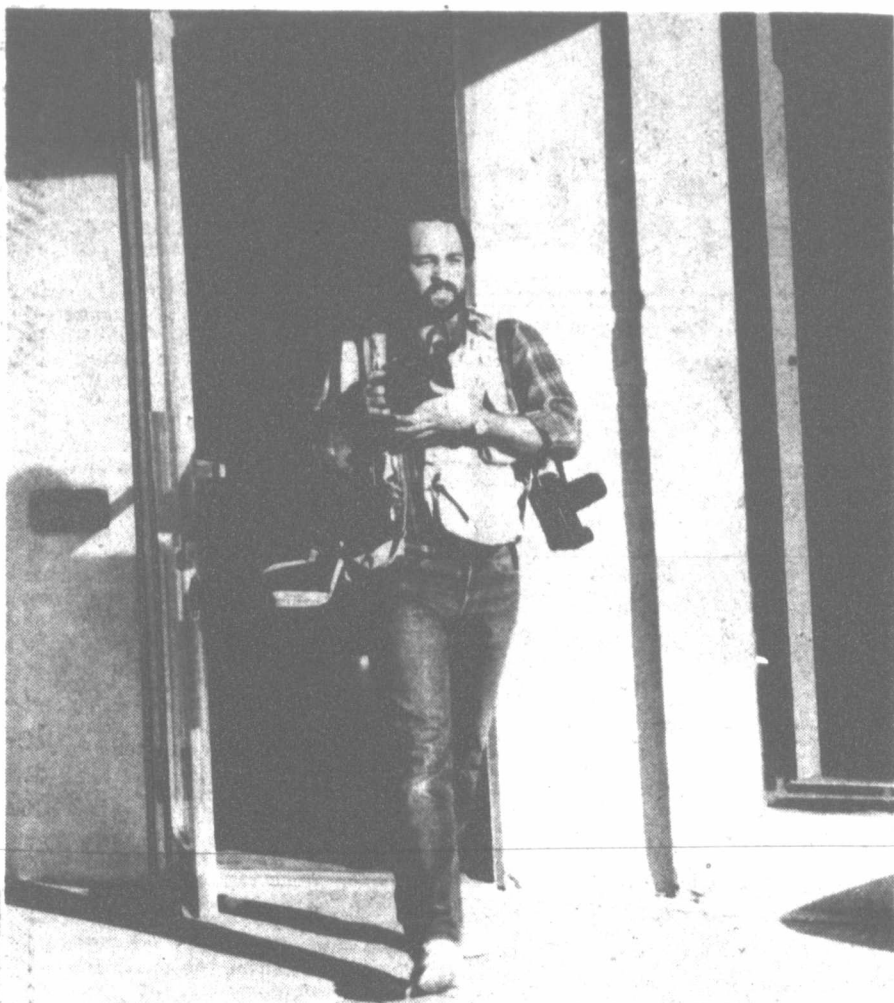
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Lifestyles



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Pampa News staff photographer Duane A. Laverty will be among 19 area photographers displaying their best photos in the 1989 Pampa Fine Arts Association's Photography Show at the Pampa Mall April 14, 15 and 16.

Local photographers display work in Mall

Nineteen area photographers, including a number of award winners, are to display their work in the 9th annual Pampa Fine Arts Association's Photography Show, April 14, 15 and 16. The show will be set up in the room next to Mr. Gatti's Pizza in the south end of the Pampa Mall and will be open to the public in conjunction with the KGRO-KOMX Better Living Show. Among those showing award-winning photographs will be Pampa News staff photographer Duane A. Laverty who recently won first place sports photography in the 1988 Charles E. Green Journalism Awards, presented each year by the Headliners Foundation of Texas, and first place-featured photo from the Associated Press Managing Editors Association. Laverty has also been honored with awards for his photography from the National Press Photographers Association, Panhandle Press Association and the Associated Press Managing Editors, winning five APME photography awards in 1988. Laverty, 26, came to Pampa in November 1986 from Waco where he interned as a staff photographer with the *Waco Tribune-Herald*. He is a 1985 graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University of Nacogdoches with a bachelor of arts degree in communi-

and Darlene Holmes, who recently earned first place honors in the Amarillo Fine Arts Photography Show, will also be a participant in the local event. In addition to being a show-place for award-winning photographers, the PFAA's annual photography show has become a family affair. Three families will be represented in this year's events. Dr. W.R. Whitsell Jr. will display his photographs along with those of his daughter, Janet, and son, John. Husband-wife team, Charlie Neal Gee and Owen Gee, will be seen in this year's show, in addition to photographs by both Don and Lois Minnick. Local professional photographers, in addition to Laverty, plan to display their finest photographs. Those scheduled to appear in the show include Austin Sutton, Irl Smith, Frank Anderson, and Michael Hartsock. Many of the photographers are showing their work for in this event for the first time. New faces to be seen this year include Joseph Neil, Cora Cotton, Bob Chambers, Sutton, the Minnicks, and the Whitsells. Other veteran photographers displaying photographs in the show include Randy Love, Bonnie Simpson, and June Thomas.

Children gain understanding friendship and self-worth

Friendship, understanding, a sense of self-worth are the gains of the child in the Big Brother/Big Sister program. For the volunteer, the reward is knowing they have given a kid a chance—maybe kept him from getting into trouble. Increasing numbers of children are growing up in single-family households - nearly 15.3 million children across the nation today live with only one parent. And their needs are often more than one individual can meet. "Many of the children we serve just need a little more adult attention than they are getting now. Sharing 3 to 4 hours a week with an adult who cares, and listens, and tries to understand can give them the boost they need, at a time when it is important," says Buzzard. According to Buzzard, the services provided by Big Brothers/Big Sisters locally requires between \$600 and \$1,000 per child to fund the operation. "Although we are partially funded by United Way, we are in need of donations

to help fund our operations. Considering it cost approximately

\$15,000 to institutionalize a child, our cost is very reasonable," explained Buzzard. In recognizing the volunteers and to raise money for the operations of the local agency, the public is invited to attend a casino night with a dance, April 14. "The auditorium will be transformed into a cruise ship, so everyone is asked to come in cruise attire," says Buzzard. The cost of this gala is \$30. Included in the cost is \$1,000 in "fun money", food and refreshments from the restaurant association, dancing to 60's music with Phaze III, and a ticket for a chance at three fabulous prizes - a night cruise on Texas' only cruise ship, a trip to Las Vegas, and a 3-day Caribbean Cruise with airfare to Miami, Florida provided by American Airlines. Winnings from the casino tables will entitle you to purchase other drawing tickets for many other prizes. Boarding passes to the event can be purchased at the door or by calling 665-1211.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Pampa is a non-profit corporation and is a United Way agency.

Descriptive colors evoke an image

By JOAN BRUNSKILL
AP Newsfeatures

NEW YORK (AP) — There's a brave new color code in vogue, and its descriptive words can boggle the mind. Take nectar, for example, the virtually colorless stuff that bees extract from flowers to make honey. Then, what to make of an ad for a silk shirt the color of nectar? A color word can be hijacked from any of several contexts—as fanciful as flora and fauna or as basic as the weather and building materials. Ad and catalog colorists, perhaps bored with words such as red, blue, yellow and green, reach for poetry and-or elegance to give us, instead, garnet, cornflower, saffron and loden. Those are the easy ones. Unfortunately, they also give us cork, cadet, mist and verdant. To confuse us further, one fanciful describer's rhubarb is another's plum; this one's mint is another's sea glass; his sepia is her stucco. They also tend to specialize in narrow fields. There are the bird watchers, eyes glued to their eggshell, teal and peacock. The builders, seeing nothing but hues of limestone, marble, slate, adobe and stucco. We get a cook's tour with rhubarb, chutney and pistachio, mint and sage. Beachcombers have mediterranean, sea spray, sea glass and ocean in their minds' eyes. A continental touch comes with ecru, bisque and

taupe, sienna and sepia. We are led down the gardeners' path with marigold, wisteria, willow, briar — and thorn. Official comment is fair, inclined to be generous, to the perpetrators. "I think a color name should not mislead," says Margaret Walsh, associate director of the Color Association of the United States, at the same time explaining there is some justification for creative color naming. The association is the nation's deposit of standard colors, maintains archives and a fabric swatch library, and issues color forecasts, for government and industry. While a name should put a color in the correct category, Walsh points out it can also "evoke a kind of feeling." "It's better to say 'fog' than 'a kind of blue, light-gray.'" According to Walsh, "there is an appropriateness in color naming that takes into account the glamour of fashion," while still being accurate. In addition, she says, "The whole color thrust of the '80s has been movement from simple colors to complex." In its forecasts, the Color Association sometimes reaches for glamorous complexity in its names, but usually with an adjective popped on to a safe anchor noun — for example: volcanic black, fridge grey, kiln blue, deco green, airy pink. The next time you see an ele-

St. Vincent students make honor roll list

Nineteen students from St. Vincent's Catholic School made the "all A's" honor roll for the third nine week period. Kindergarten students were Amit Bhatia, Lorena Baker, Jessica Morrison. First grade students include Rebecca Nolte, Windy Wagner, Carolyn Blaylock. Second grade students were Amanda Browning, Daniel Campos, Katlyn McGee, Dustie Quisenberry, Nicole Terry, Charles Tooley. Third grade students were Scott Rose, Jason Cirone,

Kimbra Wollman. Fourth grade students were Fabian Silva, Isaiah Nolte. Fifth grade students were Jeremy Nolte, Justin Allison. Those students who received all A's and B's in the kindergarten through fifth grade are Ashley Kimball, Christopher Holinde, Kama Bronner, Amanda Martinez, Tiffany McCullough, Kirsten Moore, Joshua Paulson, Heather Petty, Jeannette Silva, Micah Nolte, Dionne Hayden, and Bryan Rose.

Clarendon College offers free placement service

Clarendon College, Pampa Center, offers a free placement service to local businesses in the secretarial/receptionist fields. The Center has students graduating from the Secretarial Science School every six to nine months. Students' courses of study include typing, secretarial bookkeeping, keyboarding, shorthand, business communications

and word processing. Jan Haynes, secretarial coordinator takes calls from businesses interested in filling vacant positions then notifies graduates that positions are available for application. Haynes is available Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. by calling 665-8801.

gant Parisienne promenading along the boulevard in an ensemble of taupe, bisque and ecru, say a silent thanks to the wordsmiths of the fashion world. Those same colors, you see, could just as well be called mole, soup and unwashed linen.



Five year double-dealing lover found out

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Shocked in Colorado" prompts my first letter to you. I can top her bizarre tale of a double-dealing lover. I met a handsome man in October 1983. "John" said he was married, so we had to be "careful." He was so charming, I couldn't resist him. John would come to my house for lunch and "whatever" twice a week. In December of '88, I happened to see his car pull into an alley behind a strange house. (By this time I had caught him in several small lies and had begun to mistrust him.) I obtained the address and phone number of this house. I called and a woman answered. When I asked for John, she acted so strange I knew he was there. To make a long story short, I called her again, and the two of us got together. This is what we learned: John had been seeing her for five years, too — just three days longer than I. She gave him breakfast and I gave him lunch. He never called us by our names — he called us both "Luv." He took us to the same places out of town and had given us identical gifts and cards for the holidays. He'd phone us in the evening: He couldn't talk, but we could, so he'd tap on the receiver — two taps for "yes" and one tap for "no." Abby, I gave this man five years of my life — so did she. I still hurt a little, but it's a relief not having to cheat and slip around anymore. Would you believe that this woman and I lived within a mile of each other?

and got migraine headaches from the perfumed mail and samples of soap and fabric softener delivered to her home unsolicited, you said, "If the army of allergics were to join forces and do a little lobbying, they would create a stink no one could ignore." Abby, there is an organization of people who are sensitive to perfumes and scented products — the Human Ecology Action League (HEAL). Though we are a non-profit organization and cannot "lobby," we provide information to legislators and to the members of HEAL chapters across the country. Please inform your chemically sensitive readers that HEAL can help

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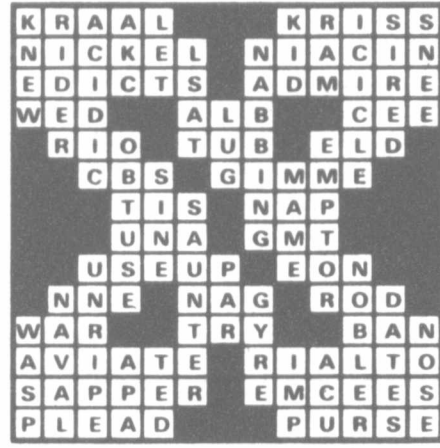
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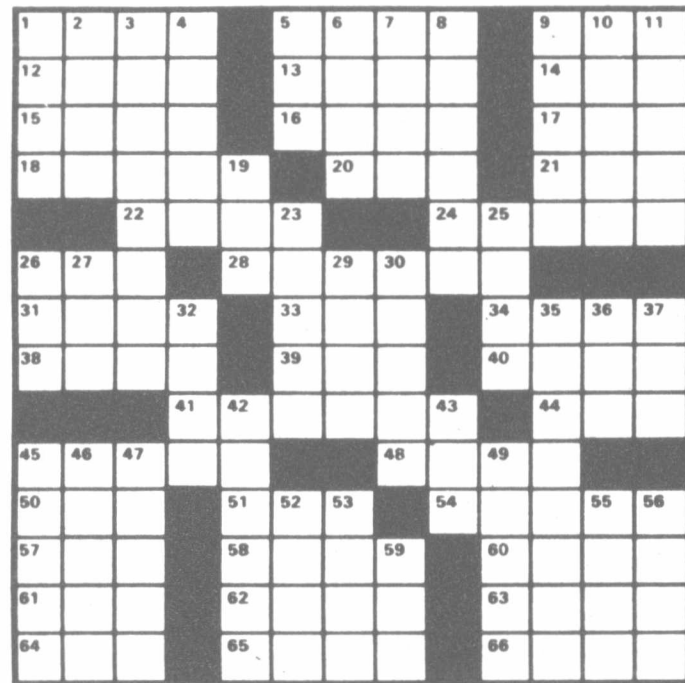
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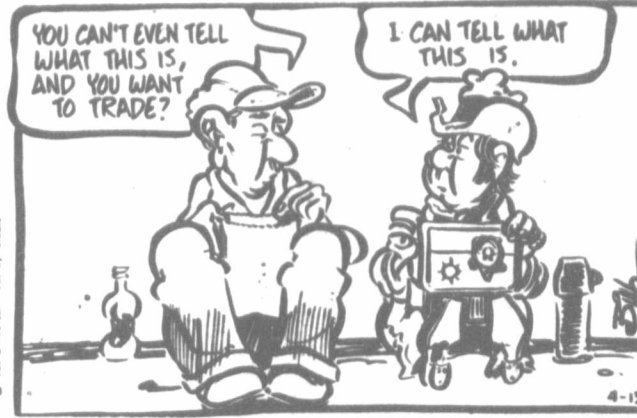
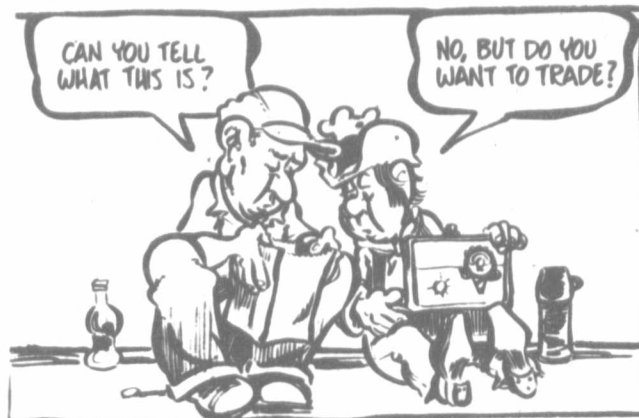


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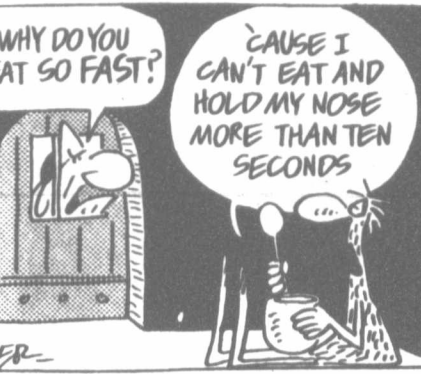
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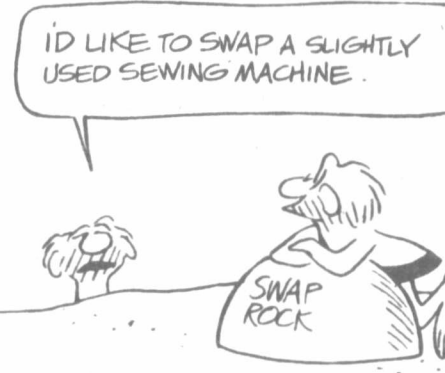
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Astro-Graph

Joint ventures could work out rather well for you in the year ahead, provided what you are attempting to do is practical and you are tied in with the right types of associates. Good luck!

ARIES (March 21-April 19) People with whom you have comfortable dealings previously should live up to your expectations today. Conversely those who have caused you aggravation could once again cause problems. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) In domestic relations today don't be too insistent upon doing something of which your mate disapproves. If you behave in a spiteful manner you could create a situation you'll wish you hadn't.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Strive to be helpful and cooperative when dealing with others today, but, by the same token, don't impulsively volunteer to take on an assignment you're not qualified to handle.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Inclinations to get involved in risky ventures should be kept in check today. The regrets you may experience if you fall on your face could be of the long-lasting variety.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You are likely to be generous with those you love today, but you might also attach terms and conditions to your gestures. This may cause recipients to reject them rather than try to comply.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) In career situations act in accordance with your impulsive urges today. The longer you mull things over, the more likely you are to travel in a circle.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In your involvements with friends today, don't base what you will do for them on what they will do for you. The accounts might be a bit out of balance, and it could be your turn to be more of a giver than a taker.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Even though you'll be ambitious, resourceful and effective today, timing could prove to be the critical element. If you attempt to implement a plan prematurely, you might meet with stiff resistance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You could be very adept at being able to get your foot in the door today, but after that, then what? Try to have your game plan worked out in advance before your ring the doorbell.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It may not be wise today to become obligated in some manner to people you do not know too well. They could be the salt of the earth, but then, on the other hand, they might be the opposite.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Something unusual may develop today from which you could reap some special benefits. However, there's a chance another might interfere and attempt to block you out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) If you are working on a project in conjunction with others today don't make any changes or revisions without first advising them. What you have in mind might throw a monkey wrench in the operation.

MARVIN



By Tom Armstrong

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By Brad Anderson

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By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP



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SNAFU



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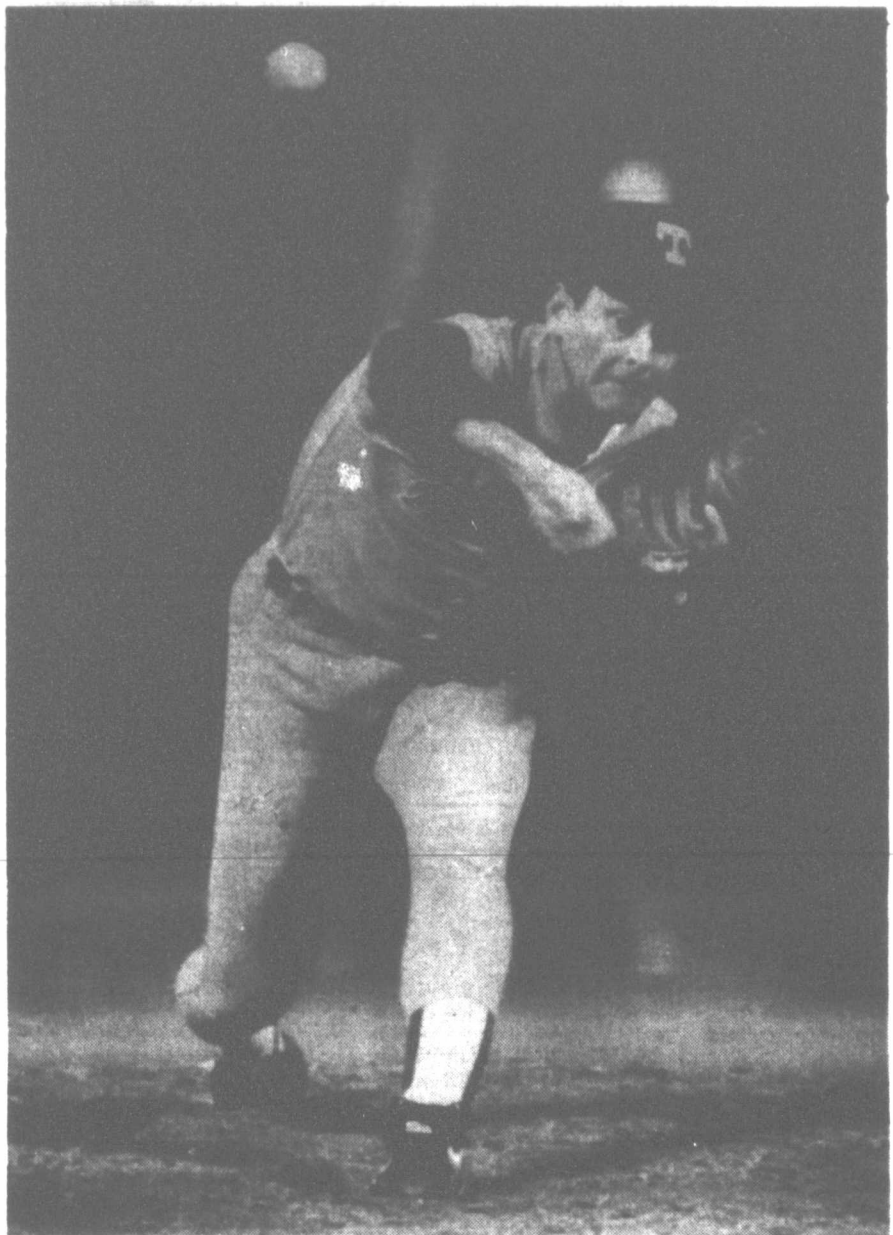
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GARFIELD



By Jim Davis

Sports



(AP Laserphoto)

Ryan no-hits Brewers for seven innings.

Ryan flirts with no-hitter

By BEN WALKER
Baseball Writer

Nolan Ryan's fastball is still part of baseball lore and so is his lure. Because every time he pitches, a no-hitter is possible. Ryan flirted with his sixth no-hitter Wednesday night, giving up a single in the eighth inning. He finished with a team-record 15 strikeouts as the Texas Rangers beat the Milwaukee Brewers 8-1. "I would have loved to throw a no-hitter tonight," he said. "Anytime you get that close, you're disappointed." In other games, Baltimore beat Kansas City 5-4 in 15 innings, New York stopped Toronto 5-3, California defeated Oakland 5-0, Seattle topped Chicago 9-1 and Cleveland downed Boston 10-6. Ryan, who has never pitched a perfect game, did not allow a runner until Robin Yount walked with two outs in the seventh inning. After Glenn Braggs drew a leadoff walk in the eighth, Terry Francona — just 1-for-14 this season — followed with an opposite-field, line-drive single to left. Ryan, 42, got the next three batters after Francona and left after eight innings and 134 pitches. Craig McMurtry worked the ninth and gave up a run on three hits. Ryan's last no-hitter came in 1981 while with Houston against Los Angeles. Ryan raised his all-

time strikeout total to 4,798. Julio Franco drove in four runs and Ruben Sierra got four hits, including his second home run. Orioles 5, Royals 4. Baltimore stopped a 15-game losing streak against Kansas City when Mike Devereaux hit a sacrifice fly in the 15th inning. Kansas City scored three runs in the bottom of the ninth for a 4-all tie. Gregg Olson, 1-0, went the final two innings after Mark Williamson pitched five perfect innings. Steve Farr, 0-1, took the loss. He relieved Tom Gordon, who pitched 6 2-3 scoreless innings and struck out 10. Angels 5, Athletics 0. Kirk McCaskill and Greg Minton teamed on a three-hitter as California beat visiting Oakland. McCaskill, 2-0, gave up two hits and left the game after sixth inning with stiffness in his upper back. Minton closed for his second save. Mark McLemore's two-run triple broke a scoreless tie in the fifth against Curt Young, 1-1. Dante Bichette hit a solo home run and RBI single and Brian Downing also homered. Mariners 9, White Sox 1. Rookie Erik Hanson pitched eight shutout innings and rookie Greg Briley drove in four runs as host Seattle stopped Chicago. Hanson, 1-1, allowed five hits in his eighth major-league start.

Briley had three hits, including two doubles. Harold Reynolds hit his team-record 27th triple and scored on a single by Alvin Davis in the fourth against Bill Long, 1-1. Yankees 5, Blue Jays 3. New York ended its seven-game losing streak as Rickey Henderson's two-run single broke a 3-all tie in the sixth inning at Yankee Stadium. The Yankees won for the first time since opening day and had been outscored 59-19 before beating Toronto.

John Candelaria, 1-1, pitched four-hit ball for eight innings. Lee Guetterman worked the ninth for his first save. Henderson singled with the bases loaded against rookie Tony Castillo, 1-1. Kelly Gruber hit a three-run homer for the Blue Jays. Indians 10, Red Sox 6. Cory Snyder drove in six runs with two homers and two singles as Cleveland outslugged Boston at Fenway Park. Bud Black, 1-1, gave up four runs on seven hits in 5 1-3 innings.

Major League standings

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division					West Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	5	2	.714	—	Texas	6	1	.857	—
Baltimore	4	4	.500	1½	Minnesota	5	2	.714	1
Toronto	4	5	.444	2	Kansas City	6	3	.667	1
Milwaukee	2	4	.333	2½	Chicago	5	4	.556	2
Boston	2	5	.286	3	California	5	4	.556	2
New York	2	7	.222	4	Oakland	5	4	.556	2
Detroit	1	4	.200	3	Seattle	3	6	.333	4

Wednesday's Games

Cleveland 10, Boston 6	Cincinnati 3, Houston 1
Minnesota at Detroit, ppd., rain	Chicago 3, St. Louis 2
Texas 8, Milwaukee 1	Philadelphia 6, Montreal 3
New York 5, Toronto 3	Atlanta 5, San Diego 0
Baltimore 5, Kansas City 4, 15 innings	San Francisco 3, Los Angeles 1
California 5, Oakland 0	Only games scheduled
Seattle 9, Chicago 1	Today's Games

Today's Games

Cleveland (Yett 1-0) at Boston (Clemens 0-0)	New York (Darling 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Smiley 0-1)
Minnesota (Rawley 1-0) at Detroit (Robinson 0-0)	Houston (Llquist 0-0) at Los Angeles (Belcher 0-1)
	Atlanta (Llquist 0-0) at San Diego (Terrell 0-1)

Only games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division					West Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	6	2	.750	—	Cincinnati	5	3	.625	—
Philadelphia	6	2	.750	—	San Francisco	5	3	.625	—
Montreal	4	5	.444	2½	San Diego	5	4	.556	½
New York	2	4	.333	3	Atlanta	4	4	.500	1
St. Louis	2	4	.333	3	Los Angeles	3	5	.375	2
Pittsburgh	2	5	.286	3½	Houston	3	6	.333	2½

Tracksters enter district meet

The Pampa High boys' track team will be tangling with the toughest at the District 1-4A meet Friday and Saturday in Dumas. "Our district is going to be tough, tougher than anybody in our regionals," said Pampa coach Mike Shklar. "The team that finishes third in our district would be better than anybody else in our region." That's the sort of situation the Harvesters are faced with, and Shklar says best-ever performances will have to be turned in for

a chance of advancing to regionals. "A lot of great athletes are going to be left home because of the competition in our district," added Shklar. Shklar says Jason Cameron (400), Michael Shklar (110 hurdles), Robert Perez (800) and Terrell Welch (pole vault) are Pampa's best hopes of getting out of district. The top two teams and top two individuals in each event advance to regionals April 27-29 in

Brownwood. As in past years, Lubbock Dunbar and Lubbock Estacado are expected to dominate the district meet. "The Lubbock teams just have too much speed. They've got the best sprinters in almost every one of the top six places," Shklar said. "We're looking for some more improvement, but we have no depth and that's going to hurt us. We've had a lot of kids transfer, move to other sports and just about every week we've had somebody sick or hurt."

Mavericks playoff hopes fading fast

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer
DALLAS - The Phoenix Suns are at 50 victories for the first time in six seasons and they hope it carries over into the playoffs. "I thought we'd be a good team but I didn't think we'd win 50 games," said Eddie Johnson after a 109-94 victory over the fast-sinking Dallas Mavericks on Wednesday night despite the return of Roy Tarpley. It was coach Cotton Fitzsimmons' first 50-win season in the NBA. "It gives you a great deal of confidence to play like we've been playing," Fitzsimmons said. Jeff Hornacek led the Suns with 21 points while Adrian Dantley had 17 for Dallas. Fitzsimmons said the 50 wins was kind of unexpected. "It's nice when it's not supposed to happen," Fitzsimmons said. "When you get 50 and you're supposed to get 60 like (Los Angeles Lakers' coach) Pat Riley then it's not nice. It's in the eye of the beholder." Fitzsimmons said "I'd be lying

if I said I thought we'd have this type of season." The Suns were two games behind the Lakers who beat San Antonio 107-100 on Wednesday night. Fitzsimmons said "we've never worried about catching the Lakers. If you set too lofty a goal and don't meet it then the team has a tendency to fall off in the playoffs. We wanted to have the second best record in the west if we could not catch LA and that's exactly where we are." Tarpley, who was suspended for 49 games because of drug abuse, scored 16 points and grabbed 13 rebounds in 23 minutes for Dallas. Fitzsimmons said of Tarpley: "considering how long he was off he looked OK. The thing I'm happiest about is that he's out and I hope and pray he never goes back." Tarpley, the NBA's most valuable sixth man last season, was given a standing ovation when he entered the game with 5:30 left in the first period. "I had the jitters and the butterflies but they went away,"

Tarpley said. "The standing ovation brought tears to my eyes. I was a little rusty and got a little tired but I think I helped the team." The Mavs are almost eliminated from playoff consideration. "We have to win the rest of our games and they (Portland) would have to lose the rest," said Dallas coach John MacLeod. The Mavs will finish the season below .500 for the first time since 1982-83. Rodeo results This past Saturday, the Pampa High School Rodeo Club competed in the Perryton Tri-State Rodeo. Roy Reames was second in bull-riding with 70 points and Tamra Johnson was fourth in pole bending (21.113). Cydney Morris was second in goat tying (12.45) and eighth in barrel racing (16.807). Saturday and Sunday, the Pampa Club goes to Claude. Starting performances are at 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Yolanda Brown signs with A&M while her parents, Tom and Pat Murray, witness the signing. Also looking on is Pampa girls' coach Albert Nichols.

Pampa's Brown signs with Aggies

Yolanda Brown, who set school scoring and rebounding records for the Pampa Lady Harvesters, has signed a national letter-of-intent to attend Texas A&M on a basketball scholarship. The 5-11 Brown became the third high school prospect to sign with the Aggies this year. Others were Karey Janak of Victoria and Teri Jo Bartlett of Fayetteville, Ark. "Yolanda is one of the most talented players I've ever worked with in my 19 years of coaching," said Lady Harves-

ters' coach Albert Nichols. "Her overall attitude is a blessing for a coach and I thank she's going to be dandy player for A&M." Brown, a two-time Class 4A All-State selection, averaged 21.2 points and 11.4 rebounds while shooting 54% from the floor as a senior. Her 1,553 points and 1,038 rebounds are career records at Pampa. Brown's 42 points against Lubbock Estacado this season is also the single-game mark. As a junior she set season-season records in scoring (661) and re-

bounding (438). Lynn Hickey, A&M coach, says Brown is the same type of player as Arkansas' Shelly Wallace, a two-time All-Southwest Conference pick. "Yolanda has good size and natural athletic ability as well as an excellent shooting touch," Hickey said. "She was one of the best athletes in the state this year and she comes from a good family. We're glad she decided to join us." Yolanda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Murry.

It's sudden-death time in high school track

By SONNY BOHANAN
Sports Writer
Take two months of exhausting workouts and invitational meets, throw them out the window, and put the whole season on the line in a do-or-die situation. It happens every year in the sudden-death world of high school track. The road to the state championship for any of the Big Three — football, basketball and baseball — is a long one. It begins with a district schedule that may include ten or more games, followed by another five or six contests at the state playoff level. Finally, after three months of rising through the ranks, a team arrives at the coveted state title game. But track is unique when compared to other high school sports. Two timely, peak performances can land you smack-dab in Austin, while one misstep, one moment's hesitation, can end the season in a heartbeat. That's the situation area athletes are facing this weekend as the Texas track and field countdown begins with the district meets. Got the best time in the state in the 400? Save it for the record books. Never been beaten all season, you say? Here's hoping you can repeat on Saturday,

because even the nation's best athletes have to finish in the top two at district and regional meets to make it to the state championships. It's as if the past two months of invitational meets amount to nothing more than glorified workouts. Consider that when White Deer's Bart Thomas steps on the Sunray field for the District 1-1A meet, neither his previous 14-7 vault, which leads the state in Class 1A, nor his numerous gold medals will matter if he comes up short on Saturday. "From this point on, there's no turning back," White Deer coach Gary Richardson said. "There's no next week if you don't perform this week. Our workouts all season have been geared toward the district meet. I see the invitational meets as more of a workout, a chance to compete." That's a common refrain among area track coaches. And while all agree that the district, regional and state meets represent the climax of the track season, there is some minor disagreement concerning the importance of invitational meets. "There's one track meet we're working toward, and that's the district meet," Canadian coach Jim Hester said. "The others are high-quality workouts."

But at the same time, Hester believes winning an invitational meet can have positive psychological effects that will have a bearing on an athlete's performance in the do-or-die situations. "Track is an individual sport, but it's also a team sport," he said. "We've finished second as a team in JV at a couple of meets this year, but we wanted to go ahead and win a team title for the confidence factor. So we moved the majority of our kids who were marginal in varsity down to JV for the Spearman meet. "We felt like it would help some of the kids be more competitive in varsity to finish first in a closely contested JV race. It's the idea of a big fish in a little sea." For Wheeler coach Ronnie Karcher, whose Mustangs won the team title at the Miami Warrior Relays, winning invitational meets is of little concern. "We don't approach it that way," he said. "We experiment in the invitationals, moving our personnel and testing people in different events. You're limited to five events per person, so you want to see where you can get the most points. "But you want to peak at the district meet. If you're a real good athlete, you may want to try to peak at regionals, but most

people concentrate on the district meet." Richardson, whose Bucks won the team title at the Sunray Bobcat Relays, agrees. "It's great to win those things (invitationals), especially if we can beat Class 2A and 3A teams, but we're not devastated if we don't," he said. "Our goal is to win the district meet." Whether an athlete makes it to the regional or state meets also has a lot to do with district and regional alignments. Some districts are more competitive than others, so it's entirely possible that an athlete can fail to qualify for the regional meet, even though he clocked a faster time than someone from another district that did qualify. Some coaches would like to implement a method similar to that used in the NCAA meet, in which a competitor can qualify at any time during the season. The competition would be limited to the athletes with the best times (or distances) regardless of district or regional finish. "I like the idea of setting a time — an attainable time, but not one that's easy — to qualify for state," Lefors coach Dale Means said. "I think we should at least qualify for regionals that way, and then take the top two to

state." An idea conceived by Silverton coach Jack Shely has given the smaller, six-man schools like Lefors a bit of leeway this season. His concept for six-man track meets, featuring only schools with an enrollment of 95 students or less, has caught like wildfire in the Texas Panhandle. The purpose is to take the competition down a notch by matching small-town schools against those of comparable size. The six-man meets work from the same premise as the UIL meets, with two exceptions. The six-man schools skip the district round and proceed directly to regionals, and the top three (rather than the top two) finishers advance to the six-man state meet. Athletes from six-man schools are still eligible for the UIL regional and state meets, provided they can qualify. The six-man regional and state meets are scheduled one week before the corresponding UIL meets so as not to interfere. But the six-man meets are designed primarily for those athletes that do not make the UIL cut. For the affected schools in the News circulation area, the six-man meets have taken over the sacred ground once reserved for the elite UIL meets.

"If we make it to the UIL regionals, that's great," Lefors coach Dale Means said, "but we've got the six-man meets to fall back on. Everything we're doing right now is geared toward six-man. If it wasn't for the six-man regionals, it would probably all be over for us after this weekend." After his Tigers won the team title at last weekend's Groom Relays, McLean coach Jerry Miller said the six-man fever struck. "These kids never won a track meet before, and winning Saturday was the best thing that ever happened to them," he said. "It kind of set them afire." Miller hopes to be competitive at this weekend's UIL district meet at Booker, but he is glad for the chance to share in the best of both worlds. "We're going all out for both the six-man and UIL meets," he said. "I feel like we can run in the top three, team-wise, at Booker. But if we don't qualify there, we'll just use that as a warmup for the six-man regionals." Meanwhile, the gun is up for high school track teams around the state. For better or worse, when the runners take their marks this weekend, the sudden-death track season begins.

Sugar Ray is dead

By JOHN NADEL
Associated Press Writer

CULVER CITY, Calif.—Sugar Ray Robinson was pound-for-pound the world's greatest boxer whose influence extended far beyond the rings he dominated for much of 25 years, friends said after his death at age 67.

"He was one of the finest human beings who ever lived, even a better person than a prizefighter," said Sid Lockitch, Robinson's business manager for 19 years.

"He was charitable, he cared very deeply for children," Lockitch said, referring to the Sugar Ray Youth Foundation, founded in 1969 in Los Angeles.

Robinson, whose 175-19-6 record included 110 knockouts in his career, died Wednesday, apparently of natural causes shortly after being taken to Brotman Memorial Medical Center. He suffered from Alzheimer's disease, diabetes and high blood pressure, Lockitch said.

Boxing's original Sugar Ray influenced fighters from Muhammad Ali to Sugar Ray Leonard.

"I idolized the man," Leonard said of Robinson. "Someone once said there was a comparison between Sugar Ray Leonard and Sugar Ray Robinson. Believe me, there's no comparison. Sugar Ray Robinson was the greatest."

"Generations of fighters copied his style, including Muhammad Ali," said Archie Moore, former light heavyweight champion and a friend for nearly 50 years.

Robinson fought his first fight Oct. 4, 1940, and his last at age 44 on Nov. 10, 1965, losing a 10-round decision to Joey Archer.

And he was as flashy outside the ring as inside it. He owned a Harlem nightclub and drove a flaming-pink Cadillac. On his boxing tours of Europe during his peak, his entourage included a valet, a barber who doubled as his golf pro, and several family members as well as his trainers.

Robinson was born on May 3, 1921, in Detroit, Mich., as Walker Smith Jr.

As a teen-age amateur boxer, he borrowed the card of a young fighter named Ray Robinson. Once his Sugar Ray nickname stuck, he never used his real name again.

He was elected to the Boxing Hall of Fame in 1967.

"Sugar Ray Robinson was the



(AP Laserphoto)

Sugar Ray Robinson poses for 1947 photo.

Man, along with Joe Louis," said former heavyweight champion Larry Holmes.

Even Louis, the renowned Brown Bomber and former heavyweight champion, once called Robinson "the greatest fighter ever to step into the ring."

Indeed, Robinson inspired the phrase, "pound for pound, the best," a description intended to transcend the weight divisions.

Robinson won the vacant world welterweight title on Dec. 20, 1946, with a 15-round decision over Tommy Bell and never lost a fight to a welterweight the rest of his career.

He also won the middleweight title, stopping Jake LaMotta in the 13th round on Feb. 14, 1951, in Chicago. That was the sixth time the two fighters had met, with Robinson winning five. It also was the only time they did not fight to the distance in one of the most brutal rivalries in boxing history.

By the time Robinson met the "Raging Bull" for the last time, he was almost 30 years old and his record already was 119-1-2, yet he fought for another 14 years.

Another of Robinson's most memorable rivalries was against Gene Fullmer, whom he had beaten only once in four meetings.

Robinson lost the middleweight title to Fullmer on Jan. 2, 1957, on a 15-round decision, then regained it on May 1 in Chicago with one of the most famous one-punch knockouts in boxing history, ending that fight in the fifth round.

He and Fullmer fought to a draw on Dec. 3, 1960, and he lost a 15-round decision to Fullmer on March 4, 1961, in Las Vegas.

Besides his wife, Millie, Robinson is survived by a son from an earlier marriage, Ray Jr., two stepchildren — Ramona Lewis and Butch Robinson — four grandchildren and a sister, Evelyn Nelson of New York.

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Public Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Canadian Independent School District Board of Trustees will be taking bids for replacing the roof on Baker Elementary School. Bidding documents, plans, and specifications may be obtained at the School Administration Building, 900 Hillside, Canadian, Texas 79014. The contract shall be let at the Regular Meeting of the Board on Tuesday, May 16, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. at the School Administration Building, 900 Hillside. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A-68 April 6, 13, 1989

NOTICE OF I.S.D. ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Grandview-Hopkins I.S.D. Gray County, Texas: Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 6, 1989, for voting in an I.S.D. Trustee election to elect two trustees to the Board of Education. Location(s) of Polling Places Grandview-Hopkins School, 15 miles south of Pampa, Texas, Hwy 70, 2 1/2 miles west & north on FM 293 Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Grandview-Hopkins School, 15 miles south of Pampa, Texas, on Hwy. 70, 2 1/2 miles west & north on FM 293 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 17, 1989 and ending on May 2, 1989. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Jolynn Jones Davis Absentee Voting Clerk % Grandview-Hopkins I.S.D. Route 1, Box 27 Groom, Tx 79039 Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 28, 1989. Issued this 6th day of April, 1989. Charles Bowers Presiding Officer April 13, 1989 A-73

2 Museums

WHITE Deer Land Museum: Pampa, Tuesday through Sunday 1:30-4 pm., special tours by appointment.

PANHANDLE Plains Historical Museum: Canyon, Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays end 2-6 p.m. Sundays at Lake Meredith Aquarium & Wildlife Museum, Tri-L. Hours 2-5 p.m. Tuesday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Closed Monday. SQUARE House Museum: Panhandle, Regular Museum hours 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays and 1-5:30 p.m. Sundays. HITCHHIKERS On-Tuesday Museum: Borgr, Regular hours 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays except Tuesday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday. PIONEER West Museum: Shamrock, Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, Saturday and Sunday. ALAN REED-McLean Area Historical Museum: McLean, Reg. museum hours 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, Closed Sunday. ROBERTS County Museum: Hitchhiker, Hours: Tuesday, Monday thru Friday, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Sunday 2 p.m.-5 p.m. Closed on Monday and Tuesday. MUSEUM of The Plains: Perryton, Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Weekends during Summer months, 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. RIVER Valley Pioneer Museum at Canadian, Tx. Monday thru Thursday, 9-4 p.m. Friday, 8-5 p.m. Saturday, Sunday 1-5 p.m. OLD Mobeetie Jail Museum: Monday-Saturday 10-5, Sunday 1-5. Closed Wednesday.

3 Personal

MARY Kay Cosmetics, free facials. Supplies, deliveries. Call Theda Wallin, 665-6339, 665-3539. MARY KAY Cosmetics, free facials. Supplies, deliveries. Call Theda Wallin, 665-6339, 665-3539.

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FAMILY Violence - rape. Help for victims 24 hours a day. 665-1788. Tracie Crisis Center.

TURNING POINT

AA and Al Anon meets Tuesday and Saturday, 8 pm. 1600 W. McCullough. 665-3317, 665-3182.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

and Al Anon, 300 S. Cuyler, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8 p.m., Monday thru Saturday 12 noon. Call 665-9104.

5 Special Notices

CASH loan on guns, jewelry, VCR's, and more. AAA Pawn 512 S. Cuyler. 669-2800.

KIRBY Service Center. Repair, partial repairs. New used vacuums. 512 S. Cuyler, 669-2800.

PAMPA Shrine Club meeting

April 14th, 7 pm. Covered dish.

10 Lost and Found

REWARD: Rings taken in January 23 burglary at 628 N. Frost. Contact Ken Neal 665-8481.

13 Business Opportunities

BE self employed. Small investment with good profit in a high demand service. 1-800-333-9307 or 1-376-9307.

14 Business Services

ODOR BUSTERS We remove any and all odors, auto, home, fire etc., no chemicals, no perfumes, quick and inexpensive. 665-0425, 669-3948.

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14b Appliance Repair

WASHERS, Dryers, dishwashers and range repair. Call Gary Stevens 669-7956.

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WE have Rental Furniture and Appliances to suit your needs. Call for Estimate. Johnson Home Furnishings 801 W. Francis 665-3361

14d Carpentry

Ralph Baxter Contractor & Builder Custom Homes or Remodeling 665-8248

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Ceramic tile, acoustical ceilings, paneling, painting, wallpaper, storage building, patios. 14 years local experience. Free estimates. Jerry Reagan, 669-9747, Karl Parks, 669-2648.

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Custom Cabinets, Remodeling. Additions. 665-3111.

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Floor sagging? Walls cracking? Doors dragging? If so call for House Leveling. Free estimate. Call 669-6438.

R&M Builders. Remodeling, repairs, painting, 665-7163, 665-7132. Randy McClelland.

SMALL jobs. Cabinets. Doors. Windows. Trim. Estimates.

7&P Carpentry, 665-0288.

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Carpets, Upholstery, Walls. Quality doesn't cost. It pays! No time wasted. Bob Marx owner, operator. 665-3541. Free estimates.

TREE trimming, shrub shaping, general hauling. Reasonable.

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CESSPOOL \$250, trash holes \$250. Big Hole Drilling, 906-372-8060 or 382-2424.

HANDY Jim general repair, painting, rototilling, Hauling, tree work, yard work. 665-4307.

CALL R and E Steel building for all steel building needs. Build new building or repair old. Also work on residential or commercial overhead doors. 665-3250.

MOWING, grading, backhoe work, postholes. 665-0742. Lots, right of ways, leases.

PUTMAN'S Quality Services.

Professional tree care, removal, handyman. 665-2547, 665-0167.

MINOR Home Maintenance by hour or by job. Fences, dead trees, building or repair old. Also rototilling, Senior Citizen discount. Call Wil 665-4863.

14i General Repair

IF it's broken, leaking, or won't turn off, call the Fix It Shop, 669-3434. Ceiling fan repair.

14m Lawnmower Service

PAMPA Lawnmower Repair. Pick up and delivery service available. 501 S. Cuyler. 665-8063.

LAWNMOWER and Chainsaw Service and Repair.

Authorized dealer—all makes. Radio/Hi Electric, 519 S. Cuyler, 669-3355.

14n Painting

MUNTER DECORATING 30 years Painting Pampa. David Office Joe 665-2903 669-6954 669-7885

14n Painting

CALDER Painting, Interior, exterior. Mud, tape, acoustic, 665-4940, 669-2215.

14q Ditching

DITCHING, 4 inch to 10 inch wide. Harold Baston, 665-6892.

14r Flowing, Yard Work

WANTED lawns to care for, tree trimming, rototilling, 669-7182.

DEEP root feeding for greener, brighter trees, makes trees more resistant to disease and insects.

Lawn aeration. Eliminates compaction, allows air, water, fertilizer to root zone. Kenneth Banks. 665-3672.

MOWING and edging done, quality work. Phone 665-0571.

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I will mow, edge, trim your yard \$15. I also scalp lawns. Harold's Lawn Care, 669-6004.

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MR. GREEN-GENE'S LAWN MOWING. "Try us," we'll trim your lawn without clipping your pocketbook. An that's not a "Bunch of Fertilizer!" 665-7341.

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Borger Highway 665-4392

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Sell PVC, poly pipe and fittings, water heaters and septic tanks. 1239 S. Barnes, 665-6716.

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TV's, VCR's and Stereos. Movies and Nintendo. Rent to Own. 2216 Perryton Pkwy 665-0504

14u Upholstery

ALL kinds furniture, upholstery, refinishing, repair, reupholstering. 665-9684.

21 Help Wanted

TURN your spare time in to spare cash, sell Avon, earn good money, set your own hours, start fee paid for you for a limited time only. Call Ina Mae, 665-5854.

PART time file clerk position.

Saturday and Sunday only. Contact Personnel Coronado Hospital, Pampa, Tx. 665-3721, E.O.E.

CHURCH needs 4 or 5 temporary nursery helpers for nights of April 16 to April 21. Call day 665-0642, night 665-7048.

CHECKER help needed. Monday thru Friday 8:30 to 5:30, half a day every other Saturday. One Hour Martizing.

LVN needed. Special shifts available, and opportunity for RN scholarships. 669-2551. Pampa Nursing Center.

REGIS HAIRSTYLISTS

needs top hair cutters and hair stylists doing the latest fashion styles and cuts. Opportunities unlimited, top commissions, guaranteed salary, paid vacation, bonus point program and health insurance, plus ongoing training by top style director. Regis Hairstylist has the largest walk-in clientele in our area and will allow you to advance in our profession. If you are interested call Regis Hairstylists, Pampa Mall, 665-4343.

NOW taking applications for supervisor of home for teenagers in Pampa.

Must be mature woman. No experience necessary, we will train. Good salary, paid vacation, hospitalization. If interested call 665-7123 weekdays, 669-6957 evenings and weekends for appointment. EOE.

TAKING applications for LVNs. Good wages and benefits. Apply at 1504 W. Kentucky.

JOB OPENING-Spring Creek ISD (7 miles northeast of Borger) has an elementary teaching position open for 1989-1990. Presently paying \$2500 above base for BA and \$200 for MA. Quality educational environment. Contact Spring Creek, ISD, HCR 1 Box 48, Skellytown, Tx. 79080. 669-273-6791 between 8 am and 4 pm.

SECRETARY/Receptionist - General office duties; computer, word processing and calculator skills required; typing 50 words a minute, knowledge of oil and gas, non-smoker. Send resumes to Personnel Director, PO Box 1821, Pampa, Texas 79066-1821.

GENERAL labor help wanted, apply in person Sander's Sewing Center, 314 N. Cuyler.

FULL time RN needed at Hemphill County Hospital, 1020 S. Fourth, Canadian, Tx. Applications available at the hospital or call 665-323-6422, ask for Karen Dial-Director of nurses, or Desanne Miller-Administrator.

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NEEDED housekeeper, will pay good money for good work, once a week. References please. 665-7671.

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TEMPORARY

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21 Help Wanted

NOW taking applications for part time video clerk. Must be mature, responsible, and dependable. 24 hours per week average. Video Plaza, 1916 N. Hobart.

30 Sewing Machines

WE service all makes and models of sewing machines and vacuum cleaners. Sanders Sewing Center 214 N. Cuyler 665-2383

50 Building Supplies

Houston Lumber Co. 420 W. Foster 669-6881

54 Farm Machinery

FOR sale: 1 6 row rolling cultivator. Would consider trading on a 4 row rolling cultivator. 666-8258.

57 Good Things To Eat

HARVY Mart 1, 304 E. 17th, 665-2911. Fresh, cooked Barbeque beef, smoked meats, Meat Packer's, Market sliced Lunch Meats.

59 Guns

QUITTING the gun business! Some guns priced below cost. When these are gone there will be no more. Fred's Inc, 106 S. Cuyler, No phone.

60 Household Goods

2nd Time Around, 409 W. Brown. Furniture, appliances, tools, baby equipment, etc. Buy, sell, or trade, also bid on estate and moving sales. Call 665-5139. Owner Joydine Bossay.

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Rent to own furnishings for your home. Rent by Phone. 113 S. CUYLER 669-1234 No Credit Check. No deposit. Free delivery.

1987 G.E. white 18 cubic feet refrigerator. Excellent condition. Mike Keagy, 669-2522, 665-1449.

69 Miscellaneous

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CHIMNEY fire can be prevented. Queen Sweep Chimney Cleaning. 665-4686 or 665-5364.

RENT IT

When you have tried every where - and can't find it - come see me. I probably got it! H.C. Eubanks Tool Rental. 1320 S. Barnes. Phone 665-3213.

CHILDERS Brothers Floor Leveling. Do you have cracks in your walls, doors that won't close, uneven or shaky floors?

Your foundation may need to be reworked. For free estimates and inspection call 352-9563. Financing available.

SPRING Turkey Hunt, April 8, 15, and 22. \$50 gun, 665-4981 or 806-358-8285.

BYBEE'S Batteries Auto and commercial, 1213 W. Wilks, Highway 60 West. 665-7255.

LOSE-IT! Try this revolutionary nutritional product and lose weight! Only 48 calories, tastes great, provides energy and has 7.3 grams of soluble fiber. 100% money-back guarantee. Call 665-3262. Independent NANCY Distributor.

7 Van Line wardrobe boxes. 21x18x48. \$4 each. 665-0335.

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69a Garage Sales

GARAGE SALES LIST WITH THE Classified Ads Must be paid in advance 669-2525

SALE. Come see our new shipment of brass, tools, miscellaneous handles, Watkins Products, Fuller Brush, J&J Flea Market, 123 N. Ward. 665-3375.

ELSEIE'S Flea Market, Garage Sale. Baby items, infant and small childrens clothing, dresses, large blouses, tops, shorts, jewelry, pictures, stereo speakers, end tables, Tiari, Penton red glass, Pressure canners. 10 a.m. Wednesday through Sunday. 1246 Barnes.

ESTATE Sale: 1021 Christine April 14, 15, 1



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INSIDE Moving sale. Lots of furniture, 10:30-5:15 day only. Friday 14th: No early birds. 1024 E. Gordon.

GARAGE Sale: Tools, guns, reloading equipment, general junk. 840 Texas, White Deer. Saturday 9 a.m.

ESTATE Sale: 1000 E. Campbell. Starting Friday.

70 Musical Instruments

GUITAR Lessons by Mike McA-doo. Tarpley Music Co. 665-1251.

75 Feeds and Seeds

WHEELER EVANS FEED
We appreciate your business. 665-5881, Highway 60 Kingsmill.

S&J Feeds, complete line of ACCO Feeds. 4 p.m. till 7:44:5 S. Barrett 669-7915.

77 Livestock

CUSTOM Made Saddles. Good used saddles, Tack and accessories. Rocking Chair Saddle Shop, 115 S. Cuyler 665-0346.

FOR Sale: Sows, gilts, top hogs and weaner pigs. On the hoof or processed. 669-9524 or 665-1302.

80 Pets and Supplies

CANINE and feline clipping and grooming, also boarding. Royse Animal Hospital, 665-3626.

PETS Unique 910 W. Kentucky. Miniature Schnauzers' critters and pet supplies. Lamax dog food. Professional grooming including show conditioning. 665-5102.

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MALE Toy Poodle to give away. 665-1230.

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FOR Sale: AKC registered Boston Terrier puppies. 665-8603.

FOR Sale: 10 month old male Dalmation. Loves children. Call 845-3901.

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HERITAGE APARTMENTS
Furnished. David or Joe. 669-6854 or 669-7885.

ALL bills paid including cable TV. Starting \$80 week. Call 669-3743.

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ROOMS for gentlemen. Showers, clean, quiet. \$35 a week. Davis Hotel. 116 1/2 W. Foster. 669-9115, or 669-9137.

LARGE, very nice 1 bedroom apartment. Furnished. Single or couple. Call 665-4345.

LARGE efficiency, \$200 month. Bills paid. Also H.U.D. tenants. Call 665-4233 after 6.

FURNISHED apartments for rent. 669-7811.

1 bedroom remodeled. \$100, deposit. \$75, rent. Bills paid. 1004 E. Francis. 669-0207, 665-5560.

1 bedroom furnished efficiency with carport. 669-7274.

96 Unfurnished Apt.

GWENDOLYN Plaza Apartments. 800 N. Nelson. Furnished, unfurnished. No pets. 665-1875.

2 bedroom unfurnished, adult. 1001 N. Sumner, manager apartment #7. 665-0219.

BACHELOR apartment, bills paid. 669-1221, 665-7007, Realtor.

96 Unfurnished Apt.

NEWLY remodeled 1 bedroom. Stove, refrigerator. All bills paid. Deposit. 669-3672, 665-5900. N. Cuyler. \$175. \$50 non-refundable deposit. 665-2898.

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97 Furnished Houses

NICE 2 bedroom, \$225 month. 669-3743.

1 bedroom, furnished house on Browning. \$195. 669-6854.

FOR Rent: 2-2 bedroom mobile homes, washer and dryer. Also camper spaces for RV vehicles. 835-2700 before 11 a.m.

ATTRACTIVE 3 room, well furnished. All bills paid. Suitable for single or couple. 669-3706.

NICE clean 1 bedroom house, \$200 plus deposit. No pets. 665-1193.

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2 room house, \$165 month, bills paid. Prefer older person. 212 1/2 N. Houston.

NEATLY furnished 2 bedroom 837 E. Craven. \$385 month \$150 deposit 665-7391 after 6 p.m. 665-4509.

98 Unfurnished Houses

1, 2 and 3 bedroom houses for rent. 665-2383.

3 bedroom brick, 1 bath, carport, fence, Travis school. 665-4346, 665-4180.

3-3 bedroom house at \$350 a month, 1-2 bedroom at \$275, 1-1 bedroom at \$225, and 1-2 bedroom mobile home at \$225 a month. Shed Realty, 665-3761.

NICE 2 bedroom, garage, fenced back yard, cellar, good location. 669-6198, 669-6323.

500 Ward, 3 bedroom, central heat and air. \$300. 665-7007, 669-1221, Realtor.

LARGE 3 bedroom, duplex, garage, built-ins, upstairs sundeck. No pets. 665-7007, 669-1221, Realtor.

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3 bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, nice neighborhood. \$350 month, \$200 deposit. Call 665-5187.

3 bedroom, 1 bath, garage, fenced yard, \$350 per month, \$300 deposit. 863-2461.

2 bedroom house partially furnished. 624 N. Sumner. 665-4854.

FOR rent: 3 bedroom house. Austin school district. Available May 1st. \$325 month. 669-6275 or 665-1968.

3 bedroom, stove, washer, dryer, garage. 669-7274.

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2 bedroom with den and carport. Very clean. 529 N. Hazel. No pets. 669-7290 after 5.

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You keep the key. 10x10 and 10x20 stalls. Call 669-2929.

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Various sizes 665-0079, 665-2450

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100 Business Rental Prop.

2400 square feet. Retail. High traffic location for rent or lease. Will remodel. Reasonable rent. 112 W. Foster. Off street employee parking. See John or Ted Gikas.

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Laramore Locksmithing Call me out to let you in 844 W. Foster. 665-KEYS.

ASSUME FHA loan on 4 year old, all brick, 3 bedroom home with fireplace. \$500 equity and monthly payments of \$732. Must see. Call 665-7398 after 6 for appointment.

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MOBILE Home Spaces for rent. Quiet, clean. Very reasonable. 665-2341, extension 44 or 47.

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104a Acreage

10 acre tracts, very close to town. Call 665-8525.

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\$39,500 buys this 2.45 acre tract, barns, tack room, chicken double garage, breezeway, place to train your animals. MLS 1067-A.

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MINI RANCH-140 acres in lovegrass, 3 water wells, cross-fenced into 7 pastures, financing available. 632T.

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EASY GOLF SNAP!
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WE HAVE TO DRIVE OFF RIGHT INTO THE TEETH OF THE WIND!

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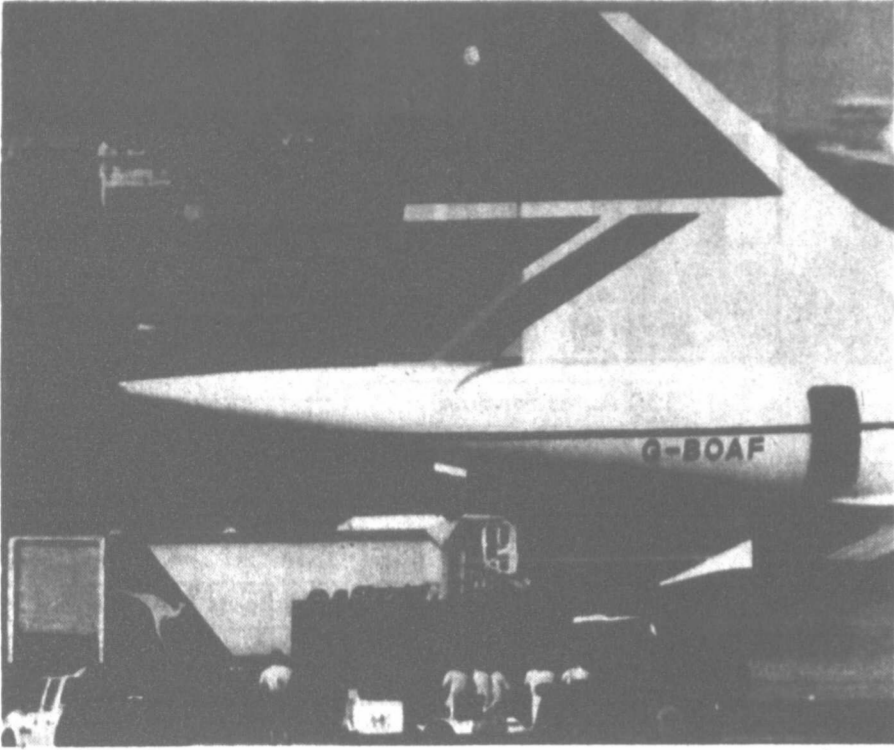
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Damaged tail section of Concorde is viewed by Sidney Airport personnel Wednesday.

Supersonic jetliner loses piece of its tail in travel

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — A Concorde jet with 100 Americans aboard lost a nine-foot piece of its tail Wednesday while attempting the aircraft's first supersonic circumnavigation of the globe, but it landed safely in Sydney.

"It wasn't till we got out of the plane and saw the firetrucks and all the press...that we knew something was wrong," said American journalist William Buckley Jr., who helped organize the trip, which cost each passenger \$39,000.

Part of the rudder disintegrated while the British Airways supersonic jet was flying at 40,000 feet at about 1,500 mph — nearly twice the speed of sound — from Christchurch, New Zealand, said Peter Stanton, an airline spokesman.

"It experienced a shudder while over the Tasman Sea that was thought to have been air turbulence," said Stanton.

He said the pilot was unaware of any problem until he was alerted by the control tower at Sydney's Kingsford-Smith International Airport.

But another passenger on the 1,000-mile flight, which lasted one hour and 25 minutes, said the plane shuddered and the passengers were tense.

"It was a normal landing, there was no emergency," Stanton said. "The pilot, Capt. David Leney, was told by the control tower that a piece of the tail was missing." There were no injuries among the 100 passengers, all Americans, on the 38,343-mile journey that started April 1 in London.

Pat Boody, a British Airways airport service manager, said the cause of the tail problem was being investigated and that the plane would not be allowed to fly "unless it is absolutely safe."

Australian Associated Press said the Concorde was about 15 years old and apparently had never experienced any problems.

"I'm glad that it was a plane that could manage without that much superfluous tail," said Buckley.

"If we had nosedived... into the Tasmanian Sea, there would have been a considerable reaction. But one simply assumes that

nothing fatal has happened if indeed there is no confirmation nor any visible invalidation of the ship's performance," he said.

In London, a British Airways spokeswoman said the airline was sending out spare parts to Australia to repair the plane, which would go on to Perth, Australia on Friday as scheduled and then to Africa before returning to London. Another spokeswoman said the tail sections of other Concorde were being checked.

Banking panel amends Bush's S&L plan

By MATT YANCEY
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WASHINGTON (AP) — A House banking panel Wednesday amended President Bush's savings and loan plan to encourage institutions to concentrate on housing lending.

But even supporters of the change acknowledged it was worded in a way that could allow S&Ls greater freedom.

The amendment, sponsored by Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., the chairman of the House Banking subcommittee on financial institutions, requires S&Ls to concentrate 80 percent of their lending on housing, up from the current requirement of 60 percent.

But it very broadly defines the types of lending that would be used to meet the 80 percent standard to include consumer, small businesses and education loans.

It also would not penalize any institution for its existing mix of investments, even if that did not meet the requirement.

"One can have the advantage of wanting to sound pro-housing and still know that one supports greater latitude," said Rep. John LaFalce, D-N.Y., who supported the amendment.

Annunzio said his measure "will build homes and help revitalize our inner cities."

The 26-18 vote approving it came as the subcommittee began its third day of drafting S&L legislation and the Senate Banking Committee opened its bill-writing session.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, in a letter Wednesday to Chairman Don Riegle, D-Mich.,

called the Senate committee's recommended changes on regulating the industry "on balance meritorious" but said the administration still objects to his plan to put \$50 billion of taxpayer cost in the bailout on the federal budget.

Meanwhile, the House lawmakers are rejecting Bush's effort to make the savings and loan industry meet the same capital requirements as banks in return for bailing out the thrift industry.

By a 27-16 vote, the panel adopted changes, advocated by Rep. Stan Parris, R-Va., that would make it easier for S&Ls, through subsidiaries, to invest in such risky areas as commercial real estate development and junk bonds.

Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, in opposing the amendment, said, "It's all about whether we want to support risk takers with government guarantees."

On Tuesday, the subcommittee rebuffed, 24-23, Bush's insistence on doubling the required capital base of S&Ls from 3 percent to 6 percent, the same level that commercial banks have to meet.

But then in several votes against Annunzio, it endorsed elimination of several "smoke and mirror" accounting practices that allow S&L owners to meet the present capital standards with little or no investment of their own.

The Senate committee, before Wednesday's session, had reached a bipartisan consensus behind closed doors "on nearly all issues," according to its chairman, Sen. Don Riegle, D-Mich.

One Senate committee mem-



Brady

ber, speaking on the condition of anonymity, predicted its version will be much tougher than what ever emerges from the House in regulating S&Ls in the future.

But Riegle conceded in a letter to Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady that financing the taxpayer portion of the bailout "remains unresolved." And committee sources, speaking on the condition of anonymity, predicted a party-line fight on the issue.

Bush wants to raise the \$50 billion immediate taxpayer share of the bailout through 30-year bonds to be issued by a new quasi-governmental corporation as a way to prevent the costs from showing up on the federal deficit this year and next.

Riegle, with support from congressional auditors and "ac-

quiescence" of Senate Budget Chairman James Sasser, D-Tenn., wants to put the bulk of the costs in the fiscal 1989 budget, saying it would save taxpayers \$4.5 billion in lower interest costs over three decades.

In his letter dated Monday to Brady, Riegle said he was aware of the treasury secretary's threat earlier this month that Bush would veto the bill if the bailout costs are included in the 1989 or 1990 budget deficits.

"We have made substantial movement toward the administration's direction on the regulatory and structural aspects but have yet to see any flexibility from you on the funding dimension," he complained.

In the House, Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., has drafted an amendment similar to Riegle's financing scheme.

But Schumer said he is waiting for the "appropriate time" to introduce it, presumably after the Senate committee has a show-down vote on the issue.

Seven Republicans on the House panel joined 17 Democrats in the 24-23 vote Tuesday rejecting Bush's proposal to make S&L owners have \$6 instead of \$3 in capital for every \$100 they lend out.

Eleven Democrats sided with 12 Republicans in a failed effort to reject the adopted alternative scheme introduced by Annunzio and Parris.

Annunzio cited Federal Home Loan Bank Board estimates that 1,100 S&Ls would falter under Bush's capital standards and claimed his measure is tougher in some ways.



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