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County commissioners trim budget proposals

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Gray county commissioners took knives in hand Monday and began cutting away at a proposed 1990 budget that showed funding requests to be \$921,000 over anticipated revenues.

After over nine hours of meetings, most of the budgets had been trimmed. But County Judge Carl Kennedy said the court is still anticipating a 1/2 cent tax increase.

"After going through and looking at the special requests and the office holders that we had questions about (their budgets), we proceeded to look at other budget requests," Kennedy said of the meeting. "We had some voluntary reductions by the county clerk and the commissioners.

"As a result of that effort, it lasted until after 10 p.m. Today I will come back and recompile the budget and take a new look at everybody's proposed requests."

Kennedy said until that was done, it would be

impossible to tell exactly how much had been pruned from the \$921,000.

Among the budgets that were tentatively pruned were County Extension, county attorney, district clerk, justice of the peace Precinct 2, county tax assessor/collector, county clerk, all four commission precincts and county judge.

The two biggest budget discussions revolved around District Clerk Vickie Walls' request for \$37,000 in additional funds and Sheriff Jim Free's request for two new deputies and two new jailers.

Walls' request was reduced to only \$25,000 and Free was authorized to hire one new jailer this year and one new jailer and one new deputy next year. The request for a second new deputy was denied.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Bob Muns' request for a secretary was approved. However, his budget will also be reduced by moving his office into the court house in the near future.

Margie Gray, county tax assessor/collector, presented commissioners with a revised budget during Monday's meeting that went from request-

ing \$6,000 more money than this year to \$2,000 less.

Both Lovett Memorial Libraries, in Pampa and McLean, received additional funding, though neither was as much as they had sought.

Commissioners agreed to increase the funding of both libraries by 20 percent. Dan Snider, head librarian in Pampa, had been seeking a total of \$16,700, of which \$10,000 was to make up for a cut in the city's funding.

However, only \$8,040 was approved, which amounts to \$1,340 more than this year.

Funds for Constable J.B. Williams were increased by a total of \$1,165 for travel and training so Williams can attend mandatory accreditation classes in Amarillo.

Kennedy said County Attorney Bob McPherson's request for a computer was turned down, amounting to a \$3,500 savings.

During the budget discussions several commissioners expressed dissatisfaction with how much money various officials are currently spending on maintenance contracts for typewriters and computers.

At the court's urging, several elected officials agreed to drop their maintenance agreements.

"The thing is, if it breaks, they are going to tell you to buy a new one. So what good is a maintenance contract?" asked Kennedy.

Commissioners commended County Clerk Wanda Carter for her lean budget, which she cut by another \$1,900 during discussions with the court.

Then it was time for commissioners to "practice what we preach," in the words of one commissioner.

With that, Commissioner Joe Wheelley trimmed his budget by several thousand dollars, knocking out a request for a new pickup. Commissioner Jim Greene also recalled a request for a new vehicle.

Each of the commissioners cut several thousand dollars from the overall budget with various reductions in cleaning supplies and other items.

Commissioners will continue budget discussions at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 30. Kennedy said he hopes the court will have a final budget prepared by the conclusion of that meeting.

Colombian president tells Bush U.S. troops aren't needed

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AP)—President Bush is offering to help Colombia battle cocaine cartels, but that country's president says U.S. troops are not needed to restore peace to his violence-torn nation, the White House says.

Colombian President Virgilio Barco Vargas' statement, during a Monday evening phone conversation with the vacationing Bush, reinforced earlier statements by Bush aides that U.S. troops would not be dispatched to Colombia except in extreme cases.

A White House statement said Bush called Barco to express condolences over the assassination last week of the leading Colombian presidential candidate, Luis Carlos Galan.

"The president assured President Barco of his strong support, and expressed his admiration for

the steps he has taken to restore law and order," the statement said.

And, while the statement said the Bush administration would "render appropriate assistance as rapidly as possible," it added:

"President Barco indicated he had read press speculation about the use of U.S. troops in Colombia. He affirmed to the president that U.S. troops would not be necessary."

Earlier, White House Chief of Staff John Sununu voiced a similar view.

"I think the tradition in the Western Hemisphere has been a reluctance on the part of anybody to ask for troops and I think there's a reluctance on the part of the president to commit troops unless the situations are extreme," Sununu told reporters.

Sununu, whose Monday meeting with Bush included a discussion of the president's upcoming anti-drug plan, said the United States has no plans to use U.S.

troops to combat drug trafficking in Colombia or anywhere else in South America.

His comments seemed an effort to soften Attorney General Dick Thornburgh's suggestion Sunday that the United States should consider sending military troops to Colombia if requested by the government of that violence-torn nation.

Bush today again had no public events on his schedule as he enjoys a vacation marked by morning jogs, tennis, boating and golf.

First lady Barbara Bush, however, was returning to Washington for an eye examination at Walter Reed Army Hospital for a lingering condition stemming from Graves disease, a thyroid imbalance.

Sununu said Bush's anti-drug package, which the president will unveil in a televised speech to the nation Sept. 5 from the Oval Office, is largely complete.

The aide put the final price tag at from \$7.5 billion to \$8 billion. To

a large extent, the program will involve shuffling funds from existing anti-drug programs into expanded new ones.

The program also will call for \$1 billion to \$2 billion in new annual federal spending.

Sununu said the plan's focus is on the domestic side.

"It involves dealing with the issues associated with law enforcement within our country, with rehabilitation assistance to those who are addicted to drugs."

"It deals with programs on education, and that's the primary thrust. But there is a component of additional assistance for countries around the world that may ask for some economic aid ... to allow them to fight the problem," Sununu said.

Meanwhile, officials of the Drug Enforcement Administration said Monday they are scrutinizing a list of 50 to 100 names among those arrested in Colombia to see who might be extradited to the United States.



A Colombian soldier patrols a ranch raided near Bogota with modern communications equipment for its drug trade. See related story, Page 6.

Fed policymakers meeting today to discuss banks' interest rates

By DAVE SKIDMORE
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WASHINGTON (AP)—Federal Reserve policymakers, meeting privately today, likely will decide against lowering interest rates soon despite pressure from the Bush administration, analysts say.

The Federal Open Market Committee, which controls the benchmark federal funds rate that banks charge each other for overnight loans, is devising the central bank's monetary strategy for the next six weeks.

But, as usual under the committee's procedure, the results won't be publicly disclosed until Oct. 6, three days after the next meeting.

Most analysts expected the Fed to hold interest rates steady unless it sees unexpected signs that economic growth is fizzling.

"I don't think they're going to do much of anything right now," said economist Bruce Steinberg of Merrill Lynch Capital Markets.

"They can say their policies are working pretty much as desired. The economy is still moving up and the inflation numbers have been fairly good."

The central bank, which tries to regulate the nation's economy by manipulating interest rates, has been engaged in a delicate balancing act over the past 18 months.

It is trying to hold inflation in check by moderating economic growth but at the same time keep the country from toppling into what would be the first recession since 1982.

President Bush tried last week to tip the balance in favor of lower rates, which would stimulate economic growth and revenue to the government. Bush endorsed comments by his budget director, Richard Darman, who said it would be the Fed's fault if the economy falls into a recession.

Steinberg, however, warned that such lobbying of the Fed, a fiercely independent agency, may backfire.

"If anything, it causes them to dig in their heels," he said.

The Fed believes economic growth of only a little more than 2 percent a year is sustainable without fueling inflation, but the administration is looking for growth closer to 3 percent this year to help it reduce the federal budget deficit.

"In a \$5 trillion economy, that's

not peanuts," said David Jones of Aubrey G. Lanston & Co., a government securities dealer in New York. "In fact, for every 1 percent increase in growth, Mr. Darman gets an extra \$25 billion in revenue to help ease the budget deficit."

Jones said there is a split in the 12-member FOMC, which consists of seven Federal Reserve Board governors — although there is one vacancy — and five presidents of regional Federal Reserve Banks.

Board members have tended to favor easier money, while regional bank presidents have leaned toward tighter policy, he said.

Board member Wayne Angell told the Kansas Livestock Association on Friday that he believed the Fed has succeeded in curbing inflation, which he predicted would decline from about 5 percent a year to about 3 percent.

Earlier last week however, Lee Hoskins, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, and Gary Stern, president of the Fed in Minneapolis, told bankers at a University of Wisconsin forum that they believed economic growth was accelerating, a sign that inflation won't subside.

Condo trial ends with summaries

By HOLDEN LEWIS
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LUBBOCK (AP)—Prosecutors prepared to end six months of testimony with final summaries today in the largest savings and loan fraud case to go to trial.

D.L. "Danny" Faulkner, James L. Toler and five other defendants are accused of bilking five S&Ls of \$135 million through phony land appraisals and sham real-estate transactions in 1982 and 1983.

The defendants maintain the real villain is Clifford Sinclair, who is serving a 13-year sentence in the thrift fraud case and was the government's star witness. During final arguments Monday, defense attorneys compared Sinclair to a rat and a snake.

Attorneys for six of the defendants presented their final arguments Friday and Monday, and

the lawyer for the seventh defendant was scheduled to make his summary this morning. Prosecutors planned to take the rest of the day with their final appeal to the U.S. District Court jury.

Sinclair, although absent from the courtroom, was the dominant figure in the defense summaries Monday as attorneys blamed their clients' legal troubles on him. During almost a month on the stand, Sinclair testified that Faulkner and Toler were the masterminds of a real-estate scam along Interstate 30 east of Dallas.

The defendants contend Sinclair bilked them, and that he lied on the stand to please prosecutors and win a reduction in his sentence.

"Clifford Sinclair is a two-bit con artist with a record of defrauding people in more places I can think of," said Deborah

Goodall, a defense attorney for former Empire chairman Spencer H. Blain Jr.

Her co-counsel, William Ravkind of Dallas, harshly criticized prosecutors for calling Sinclair and other convicts as witnesses. Some government witnesses, such as real-estate salesman Ernest Hughes and appraiser Larry Hutson, pleaded guilty and have yet to be sentenced. He said Hughes and Hutson may have been motivated to lie so they could please prosecutors and win small sentences.

"In law enforcement, sometimes you have to use rats and vermin," Ravkind told the jury. "If you're dealing with a dope case, you have to deal with a dope. A preacher wouldn't do you any good."

Prosecutors should take the testimony of convicted felons with a grain of salt.



East German Thomas Schleich and his 10-month-old daughter Caroline are greeted by Brigitte Biermann, a relative in West Germany, upon their arrival at the Schoepingen refugee camp.

Border guard kills fleeing East German

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP)—An East German fleeing illegally to the West over Hungary's border with Austria was fatally shot in a struggle with a Hungarian border guard, news reports and officials said today.

It was the first report of anyone killed since liberal Hungarian authorities began removing fences on the Austrian border in May, touching off a wave of East German refugees seeking to escape across that frontier.

In Bonn, Chancellor Helmut Kohl told East Germany that only domestic reform will stem the crush of East German refugees fleeing to the West in recent months through Hungary and other East bloc countries.

The official Hungarian MTI news agency said the East German was wounded late Monday inside Austrian territory when he grabbed the Hungarian guard's gun, which fired accidentally.

He died en route to a hospital.

In Vienna, the Interior Ministry said the incident took place on Austrian territory about 10 yards from the border near the town of Lutzmannsburg.

More than 2,000 East Germans have fled across Hungary's border to Austria since the Hungarians began dismantling the fencing and electric warning devices along the western border.

More than 65,000 East Germans have emigrated or escaped to West Germany so far this year in the largest migration since the Berlin Wall was erected in 1961.

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Opinion

Abuses in IRS must be routed

Most Americans are tired of the IRS's bullying and unfair actions. Finally, Congress seems to be taking notice of the discontent. Last year it passed a Taxpayer Bill of Rights. But the final version excluded a provision stipulating that every taxpayer is considered innocent until proved guilty. That was deemed necessary because of the current practice: The IRS deems you guilty and you must prove your innocence.

This month more action may be taken. The House Commerce, Consumer and Monetary Affairs Subcommittee is holding hearings on some of the worst IRS abuses. But an essential action must be taken for any reforms to take hold. The IRS's ability to impede investigations of itself must be curtailed.

A critical perspective was provided in *The New York Times* by Edward Mezvinsky, a member of the House Judiciary and Government Operations Committees in 1974, and Bill Adler Jr., a former president of Washington Independent Writers. They write that current limits on investigations of the IRS were enacted by Congress after abuses by the Nixon administration. As the Watergate hearings in 1973 revealed, administration officials used IRS information to harass and spy on political enemies.

The post-Watergate reforms preventing such abuses were salutary. But they also sealed off the IRS from outside audit. Mezvinsky and Adler write that "these reforms have created new possibilities for abuse. Now the IRS can block investigations of wrongdoing — against itself or a taxpayer — by hiding behind the prohibitions. It can simply refuse to talk about anything having to do with a taxpayer even if that taxpayer (or the IRS) is the subject of investigation."

These abuses allegedly involve, among other things, giving tax information to organized crime figures and blackmailing companies. How true are the allegations? We can't know unless Congress enacts legislation opening the IRS itself to an audit.

Further steps are also needed. As the subcommittee's hearings proceed, it should pass the full version of the Taxpayer Bill of Rights, including the part guaranteeing the individual taxpayer's innocence until his guilt is proved. And the subcommittee should fully investigate every aspect of the IRS. This agency is supposed to serve the public, and for that reason the public has a right to know about its conduct. The IRS collects more than \$1 trillion in taxes and scrutinizes every dollar of our \$5 trillion economy. Where such immense power is centralized, abuses are inevitable and must be routed.

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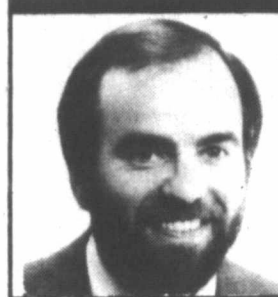
Last summer, as countless American farmers miserably watched their crops wither under rainless skies, Congress decided to rescue them, despite having vowed repeatedly to swear off this sort of disaster relief. This summer, as only a few American farmers suffer from the effects of drought, Congress has again given into pleas that it make an exception.

Abraham Lincoln, commenting on the tenacity of his favorite commander, said, "When General Grant once gets possessed of a place he seems to hang on to it as if he had inherited it." That's roughly the attitude farmers have toward any form of government aid. Any help given once is assumed to be permanent, and heaven help the Congressman who tries to make it temporary.

What is easy to forget, especially on Capitol Hill, is that farmers are fully able to shield themselves against uncooperative weather. The federal government funds a program of crop insurance, which allows a farmer to sleep soundly through every calamity this side of an invasion from Mars.

It even picks up nearly a third of the tab, a consideration it doesn't grant to homeowners or dry cleaners in need of insurance for their property. The idea was that with such hearty encouragement, farmers could be induced to pay for their own protection before disaster strikes, so that taxpayers wouldn't get stuck with the tab afterward.

Some producers have stoically assumed their rightful obligation. But most of them strongly prefer to let someone else shoulder the weight. Last year, only 27 percent of the nation's cultivated acres were covered by federal crop insurance. This year, despite a new rule that anyone getting disaster aid last year had to buy insurance this year, the figure is just 44 percent.



Stephen Chapman

As part of last summer's aid package, Congress set up a commission to study the program and figure out why so few farmers participate. The commission recently submitted a draft of its report to Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter, which downplays the chief motive: Farmers know that if things go wrong, Congress will help farmers who need it, no matter how reckless they were.

Some farmers can't be blamed. A lot of large, diversified ones can afford to bear the risk that one or two of their crops will be wiped out by bad weather. Those with low debt can borrow in an emergency to tide them over until the next planting season. Many grow crops that aren't covered by the program. Small operators who work 9-to-5 at jobs in town don't especially need insurance because they don't rely on their farm produce to pay the bills.

In a survey sponsored by the commission, 48 percent said they didn't buy the insurance because the coverage was too low or the premiums too high. But if the alternative were going bust in a drought, the deal would suddenly become far more attractive. The coverage limits (up to 75 percent of the lost crop's value) and the premiums look bad mainly because farmers know they can get 100 per-

cent protection for nothing.

What we have, Yeutter points out, is the worst of both worlds: all the expense of a disaster relief program and all the overhead cost of a crop insurance program. Worse still, the existing approach rewards recklessness and ridicules responsibility. When Congress comes to the rescue at the first sign of trouble, every farmer who buys crop insurance rather than be dependent on government handouts must feel like he's wearing a tattoo on his forehead that says, "Sucker."

Now is one of those times. Just before Congress left town for the August recess, it approved a \$900 million plan of aid to a wide range of farmers hit by everything from floods in Louisiana to drought in the Dakotas. This makes the third time in four years that supposedly exceptional hardship has forced special help.

There was a bitter fight in the Senate — not over whether to help, only over whom. Republican Bob Dole thought the money ought to be concentrated on winter wheat growers, a breed not scarce in Kansas. Vermont Democrat Patrick Leahy's heart went out to other farmers, possibly because winter wheat isn't the mainstay of the New England economy.

As usual, the members missed the point. If farmers don't want to run the risk of being wiped out by a long dry spell or a nasty hailstorm or an early frost, they have the opportunity to protect themselves. If they prefer to save their money and take the chance, they deserve to reap the consequences, good or bad.

In approving the drought bill, members made a point of providing sympathy for farmers. When will they show some mercy for taxpayers?



Some ways to punish Rob

You've got to go with the wisdom of Los Angeles school officials who said, "Rob Lowe is going to lecture our kids? Think again."

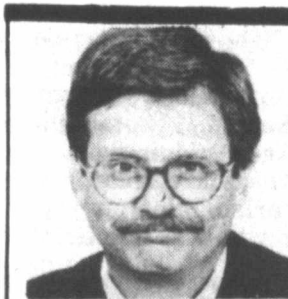
Movie star Rob Lowe agreed to give high-school lectures on drug abuse in Los Angeles to avoid a trial on charges he videotaped a 16-year-old girl having sex while he was visiting the 1988 Democratic National Convention in Atlanta.

But Los Angeles school board president Jackie Goldberg's reaction went something like, "Over my dead body," and said parents would have to have a guarantee of protection before the obviously hot-blooded Mr. Lowe would be allowed near their kids.

Can you blame her? Drugs are one thing. A guy with a history of having the hots for 16-year-olds is quite another. So, with apologies to David Letterman, I sat down and thought up 10 better ways Atlanta authorities could have punished Rob Lowe. Here they are, in descending order.

10. Make him spend a weekend in Dog Patch USA with a really ugly girl. I mean really ugly, as in fat, cross-eyed and hairy-thighed, and here's the kicker: She's a nympho.

9. Make him enroll at the Jimmy Swaggart Bible College in Baton Rouge, La., for a year and



Lewis Grizzard

be given — besides his studies in such areas as biblical metaphors, the humor of Moses and who begat whom — the task of keeping the grass cut on Rev. Swaggart's multi-acred estate.

8. Make him write on a blackboard 10 million times, "I am a bad boy." Give him just one piece of chalk, and when it runs out, tell him he's got to finish with his fingernails.

7. Send him to Beirut and make him stand on a street corner with an American flag draped across his shoulders and read aloud *The Satanic Verses*.

6. Make him go into the wild and videotape the mating habits of a male tiger who has a terrible toothache.

5. Make him attend the 1992 Democratic National Convention wherever it might be, and instead of hanging around nightclubs and picking up 16-year-old girls to videotape, make him sit and listen to every speech, including the one where Jesse Jackson goes on for two hours on the theme, "I'm gonna get you, Suckahs, if you try to do this to me again."

4. Tell Mike Tyson that the whole time he was married to Robin Givens she was having an affair with Rob Lowe and that when friends warned Lowe he might be in some physical danger if Tyson found out about the involvement, Lowe replied, laughing hysterically, "That stupid, ugly bear? You're kidding me?"

3. Make him appear with Mr. Rogers on television and stand there looking like an idiot when Mr. Rogers says to his audience, "Remember this face."

2. Make him stand up at the National Rifle Association's annual convention in Shoot-to-Kill, Mont., and say, "Remember when Ted Turner called all those pro-lifers bozos? Well, the same goes for you bullet-heads."

And now No. 1. The Very Best Way to Punish Rob Lowe for His Indiscretions:

Let the Iranian courts decide. There's no telling what they might order cut off.

Let's be sensible about tax-backed art

By SARAH OVERSTREET

The moment I stepped timidly into my first college art class, I knew I was in for a wild ride.

I was wearing a navy blue dress and pumps, and my hair was done in a neat flip that Annette Funicello would have envied. As it was 1969, and most of the kids were from bigger cities and already knew what was what, they were wearing some of the hippie trappings that would set the style at the college for the next several years.

On the walls were drawings, paintings and prints I didn't understand, and my art teachers talked about concepts I couldn't comprehend any more easily. It was the first of many shocks that would perplex, frighten, anger, excite and awe me. The experiences broadened my horizons in ways that would enrich my life.

I only lasted one year as an art major; I soon discovered my greater talents were in other areas. But I kept an

art minor, and, in spite of myself, gained a much keener ability to enjoy and appreciate art. Knowing how I resisted that education at first, and how much pleasure it's given me later, I've always been a reluctant censor of anyone else's art.

Yet I can't help but empathize with people incensed that government art funds were given to one artist whose work so patently offends some, and to an art gallery that organized a retrospective of the work of another artist whose work offends just as many.

I'm talking about the spitting match over the \$15,000 National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) gave to artist Andres Serrano, and the \$30,000 they gave to the Corcoran Gallery, which put on the retrospective of photographer Robert Mapplethorpe's work.

If you don't recognize the names, you'll probably recognize the works that have raised the hackles of so many, because they've attracted con-

siderable media attention: Serrano is the guy whose works include a crucifix stuck in a jar of his own urine. The late Mapplethorpe's works portray homosexual erotica and sadomasochism.

The exhibits so enraged Sen. Jesse Helms that he introduced a bill that would prohibit federal grants to art that he considers "obscene and indecent" — according to his description, that is just about anything anyone of any philosophical bent might take offense at.

I think Helms is way off base (I usually do) with his bill, but he sure has a right to be mad. I'm not too crazy about the idea of my tax money funding art that sickens me and a sizeable throng of my fellow taxpayers. That doesn't mean I want to censor the artist; withholding government funding isn't the same thing as censorship.

Former U.S. Senator Tom Eagleton, now a newspaper columnist himself, knows how the system works. He

predicts that by the end of the year the legislature will have moderately reduced appropriations to the NEA. That will send a message to the peer panel that decides who gets how much money, that they'll have to be a little more mindful of the taxpayers' hot buttons.

I hate to think that worthy artists may suffer from the reduced funding, but still I don't think it's all bad. There are plenty of private donors, including us little guys who like to go to galleries and are willing to pay to get in. We can fund whatever we like with no regard to others' sensibilities.

We're never going to arrive at art that offends no one — as Jesse Helms would like us to do before we cough up any tax support. But Congress appropriates money from its constituents — us, the public. So it should be responsive to those constituents and exert some pressure on those who get to spend their money.

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Rescued at sea



Simone and William Butler of Miami, Fla., smiles at a hospital Monday in Golfito Port, Costa Rica. They were rescued off the Costa Rican coast Saturday after they had been adrift for 66 days in the Pacific Ocean.

FAA ordering airlines to improve fire safety

SEATTLE (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration has ordered airlines to tighten fire safety measures on many aircraft after studying the 1987 crash of a South Africa Airways Boeing 747 that caught fire in the air.

In a directive made public on Monday, the FAA said the operational and equipment changes were ordered to avoid "an uncontrolled cargo fire that could cause systems and structural damage, leading to the loss of the airplane."

The plane models affected by the Aug. 10 directive include certain Boeing 707s, 727s, 737s, 747s and 757s, and McDonnell Douglas DC-8s, DC-9s — including MD-80s — and DC-10s. Approximately 40 airplanes currently operated by U.S. carriers are affected, the FAA said.

The FAA also said there are about 278 Boeing planes and 124 McDonnell Douglas planes affected worldwide.

The aircraft affected by the FAA ruling are equipped with Class B cargo compartments, located on the main deck which also carries passengers.

The planes are designed so that the same area of the aircraft can be used for passengers, cargo or both, said Dick Meyer, an FAA spokesman in Seattle.

On these planes, crew mem-

bers are responsible for walking back to the cargo compartment and extinguishing any fires. The South Africa Airways jet that crashed into the Indian Ocean on Nov. 28, 1987, killing 159 people, had a Class B cargo compartment.

"Although no formal findings have been issued by the foreign authority having jurisdiction over the accident investigation, there is firm evidence that an inflight fire occurred in a Class B cargo compartment, which contributed to the loss of the airplane," the FAA said.

The FAA presented two options to improve fire safety aboard the aircraft. The planes can be refitted with Class C cargo compartments which would be located on a different deck from passengers, self-contained and better equipped to handle and control a fire.

A second option would require design changes.

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Drug cartel suspect's arrest tests extradition

By KEVIN NOBLET
Associated Press Writer

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — The arrest of a Medellin drug ring suspect, wanted in the United States on money laundering charges, could be the first test of a new emergency plan for extraditing narcotics kingpins to face trial in U.S. courts.

National police on Monday said Eduardo Martinez Romero, reputed finance chief of the powerful drug cartel, had been captured at a rural retreat in the northern province of Sucre and transferred to a prison in this capital.

The raid was one of more than 300 carried out nationwide since an emergency crackdown was launched by the government Friday following the assassination by cocaine chieftains of a leading presidential candidate, a police colonel and a magistrate.

According to the Defense Ministry, through Monday more than 11,000 people had been detained in continuous raids across the country. More than 1,000 cars and trucks also were confiscated.

Scores of helicopters and small planes were impounded at airfields nationwide, but police said it was impossible to give a precise figure because in many cases their aircraft were only being grounded until the owners could prove they had been legitimately purchased and were used for legal activities.

As part of the crackdown, President Virgilio Barco also signed a decree empowering his government to summarily extradite suspected traffickers without approval by Colombia's judges, many of whom have been threatened or killed by hitmen. U.S. officials had been pressuring Barco to take the action since the Supreme Court in 1987 nullified a 1979 extradition agreement.

According to Col. Alfonso Arellano, the police commander for Sucre, Martinez was nabbed in a raid Sunday in Tolu, a Caribbean coastal town 340 miles north of Bogota.

"There was no resistance, really, because of the surprise with which they (police agents) acted," Arellano said in an interview Monday night on Radio Caracol.

In Washington, a spokesman for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Frank Shults, said as many as 100 Colombians are being considered for possible extradition, including three leaders of the Medellin cartel: Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha, Pablo Escobar and Jorge Luis Ochoa.

The drug cartel is believed responsible for bringing up to 80 percent of the Colombian cocaine into the United States, authorities say.

President Bush on Monday praised the steps Barco was taking and offered "appropriate assistance as rapidly as possible," a White House statement said. It said Barco told Bush that sending in U.S. troops

was not necessary.

According to officials, Martinez narrowly escaped capture by U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration agents earlier this year in Panama. He was allegedly in charge of finances for the powerful cartel of Medellin, an industrial city that serves as the world's principal trafficking center for cocaine.

Other reputed cartel leaders continued to elude arrest.

"We haven't yet been able to capture the drug cartel chiefs, but we have struck hard against their immense fortunes," army Gen. Manuel Bonnet Locarno said Monday in the southwestern city of Cali, another trafficking center.

The military claimed the raids and property seizures were inflicting a painful blow on the dealers' economic empire.

Early Monday on Bogota's northern fringes, the army swarmed over an opulent compound owned by Rodriguez Gacha.

The estate included tennis, soccer and basketball courts, a duck pond with a water wheel, a modern gym with weight-lifting equipment, an indoor swimming pool, billiards and ping pong tables and a pet eagle. Soldiers guarding the compound said it was just one of dozens of properties owned by Rodriguez Gacha.

Scores of other properties owned by Rodriguez Gacha, Escobar and Ochoa also were raided.

Del Rio says no to underground explosions

By JENNIFER DIXON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Del Rio is fighting to protect the springs that make the city an oasis in the Chihuahuan desert from Pentagon plans to rock a nearby ranch with a series of massive underground explosions.

Designed to simulate the impact of nuclear blasts on subterranean missile silos and military command centers, the Defense Nuclear Agency says the explosions on the Buck King Ranch are an important element in "our nation's strategic deterrent capabilities."

But 12,000 Del Rio residents have signed petitions asking the Pentagon agency to take its explosives elsewhere, saying they don't want to take any chances with the Texas border city's only source of water, the San Felipe Springs.

"We depend on San Felipe Springs for survival," says City Manager Jeffrey Pomeranz. "The city of Del Rio is not willing to play a what-if game with our water and the future of our city."

"No one in Washington has offered us any guarantees, nor can they, that if our water supply was adversely affected, the federal government would step in and correct the situation."

Mexico has also expressed con-

cern to U.S. officials, including Secretary of State James A. Baker III, about the potential impact of the explosions, said Leonardo Firench, a spokesman for the Mexican Embassy.

Defense Nuclear Agency officials, however, hasten to point out that a decision to conduct the tests hinges on geological and environmental assessments of the area that have yet to be completed.

The agency spent two years choosing the site 25 miles north of Del Rio from several around the country. Today, it is the only location under consideration for the graduated series of explosions.

The explosions would start with a 1,000-pound charge in 1990, increasing to 470 tons by November 1992.

DNA spokeswoman Cheri Abdelnour said the tests would be performed with the same conventional explosives used by the mining industry, and do not involve nuclear or radioactive devices.

Jack M. Bachkosky, director of plans, programs and requirements for DNA, said the tests are "important to the continued credibility and viability of our

strategic deterrent."

"As an agency, our primary responsibility to the Department of Defense is to ensure the survivability of our strategic assets and the effectiveness of those same assets, when used against anyone who might threaten our security," he said. "Everything we do is in the context of that sentence."

But because of the sensitivity of the tests, Bachkosky would not say exactly why they were being performed.

Del Rio officials, however, had been told the purpose was "determine the survivability of underground missile silos and foreign missile silos and other underground military facilities," Pomeranz said.

"They haven't gone into too much detail. It's just been very general," Pomeranz said.

Bachkosky said that even during this era of warming relations with the Soviets, with treaties being signed to reduce the two superpowers' nuclear arsenals, "the survivability and effectiveness of those (weapons) which remain becomes more important."

"Therefore, the kind of data we

would get from these tests becomes more important," he said.

But Del Rio residents say water in West Texas is more important, and last week became even more skittish about the health of San Felipe Springs when an underground cave-in contaminated their water with an unknown substance, forcing them to boil or drink bottled water for two days.

Just as the springs are tied to future of the city of 40,000, they have long been a part of its past, with the first Spanish explorers writing about the springs in their chronicles. And long before it was settled, Del Rio was an oasis on the long dry trail between San Antonio and San Diego, Pomeranz said.

"Del Rio's entire growth and development is centered around the San Felipe Springs," Pomeranz said.

On Friday, Pomeranz and Mayor Alfred Gutierrez Jr., a physician, met with Bachkosky and Vice Adm. John T. Parker Jr., DNA director, to ask that even the drilling for the core samples be abandoned.

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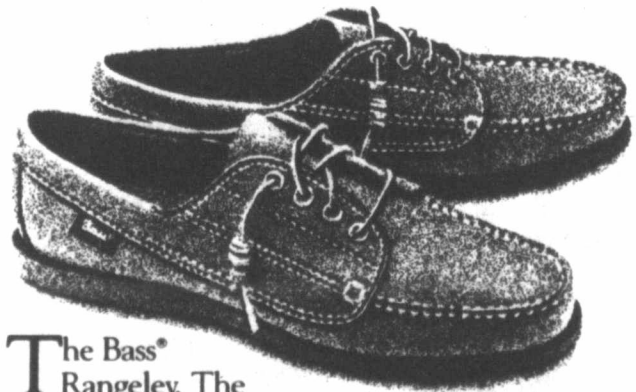
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Any leftover campaign funds? Take them home

By BARRY MASSEY
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Five months after he retired from a 16-year career in Congress, Missouri Republican Gene Taylor reached into his old campaign fund-raising account and took home \$345,000.

It was perfectly legal thanks to a decade-old law, but even so, Taylor's decision highlights a practice that is drawing criticism as ethics questions simmer in Congress.

President Bush has proposed outlawing the practice and the Senate already has voted to ban it. The debate could shift this fall to the House, which has vigorously resisted such proposals because its members are the ones that would be affected and they have millions of dollars at stake. "It amounts to a special interest-financed retirement fund," complains Susan Manes of Common Cause, a government watchdog group that advocates an overhaul of the system for financing congressional campaigns.

"The ethics spotlight has been trained on Congress," said Ms. Manes.

Advocates of a change in campaign finance law say lawmakers may have to act on the issue soon to salve public concerns over ethics scandals in Congress such as the one that led to the resignation of House Speaker Jim Wright.

Some members return the money to contributors. But former members have transferred

at least \$862,000 in surplus campaign money to personal use after leaving office since 1980, according to a report earlier this year by *Congressional Quarterly*.

Taylor belongs to an exclusive club of current and former House members permitted under a 10-year-old law to take leftover cash from their re-election treasuries for personal use after they leave office.

According to records of the Federal Election Commission, Taylor has converted more surplus campaign cash to personal use than any other former lawmaker. But Taylor bristles at the attention the news media have given his use of campaign donations.

"I haven't done anything wrong," says Taylor. "I do a lot of things out there for public service. I'm going to use some of it for that."

The law allows House members in office before Jan. 8, 1980, to convert excess campaign money to personal use.

Currently, 191 House members are covered by that "grandfather clause" and they had cash reserves of \$39 million in their re-election accounts at the start of the year.

Rep. Stephen Solarz, D-N.Y., had \$1.16 million at the end of June and Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., had \$1.01 million in his campaign account.

A Senate rule prohibits current and former members from spending campaign money for personal use. But practically speaking, it can't be enforced once a senator leaves office.

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MONDAY/WEDNESDAY 9:00 - 10:20 a.m.				
*BAS 235-1P	Office Procedures (This Class meets 1 p.m.-2:20 p.m.)	3	\$10.00	Janyth Bowers
ENG 123-1P	English Comp. & Reading	3		Linda Thompson
HST 223-1P	American History 1865-Present	3		Margaret Hopkins
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*BAS 143-1P	Word Processing II	3	\$10.00	Janyth Bowers
ENG 113-1P	English Comp. & Reading	3		Linda Thompson
HST 213-1P	American History 1500-1865	3		Margaret Hopkins
PSY 204-1P	Child Psychology	3		Linda Olson
MONDAY/WEDNESDAY 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.				
*BIO 214-1P	Intro. to Zoology	4	\$10.00	Shirley Windhorst
TUESDAY/THURSDAY 9:00 - 10:20 a.m.				
*BAS 113-1P	Beginning Typewriting	3	\$10.00	Janyth Bowers
*BAS 123-1P	Intermediate Typewriting	3	\$10.00	Janyth Bowers
ENG 263-1P	World Lit. Greeks to 1850	3		Linda Thompson
TUESDAY/THURSDAY 10:30 - 11:50 a.m.				
*BAS 114-1P	Beginning Shorthand	3	\$10.00	Janyth Bowers
GOV 213-1P	American National Government	3		Staff
PSY 133-1P	General Psychology	3		Linda Olson
TUESDAY/THURSDAY 1:00 - 2:20 p.m.				
BUS 214-1P	Principles of Accounting I	3		Randy Hamby
BUS 215-1P	Business Communications	3		Janyth Bowers
ECO 223-1P	Principles of Economics (Micro)	3		Lee Cornelison

EVENING CLASSES				
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MONDAY 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.				
*ART 261-1P	Intro. To Sculpture (LAB-TBA)	3	\$10.00	James Ivey Edwards
*ART 271-1P	Ceramics (LAB-TBA)	3	\$10.00	James Ivey Edwards
*BAS 142-2P	Word Processing I	3	\$10.00	Lee Carter
*BAS 143-2P	Word Processing II	3	\$10.00	Lee Carter
*BIO 224-1P	General Botany (LAB)	4	\$10.00	Jim Baker
*BIO 234-1P	Anatomy & Physiology	4	\$10.00	Shirley Windhorst
BUS 224-1P	Principles of Accounting II	3		Tom Grantham
*CHM 114-1P	General College Chemistry I	4	\$10.00	M.B. Smith
ENG 123-2P	English Comp. & Rhetoric	3		Linda Thompson
ENG 273-1P	World Lit. 1850 - Present	3		Tim Powers
HST 223-2P	American History 1865 - Present	3		Ray Thornton
MTH 123-1P	Plane Trigonometry	3		Barbara Evans
PSY 133-2P	General Psychology	3		Jerry Lane
VRLE 0100-1P	Property Management	3		Charles Buzzard
MTH 105-1P	Intermediate Algebra	3		Frank McCullough
TUESDAY 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.				
*BAS 113-2P	Beginning Typewriting	3	\$10.00	Marian Allen
*BAS 123-2P	Intermediate Typewriting	3	\$10.00	Marian Allen
*BIO 234-1P	Anatomy and Physiology (LAB)	4	\$10.00	Shirley Windhorst
*BIO 238-1P	Microbiology	4	\$10.00	Carol Colwell
**CIS 205-1P	Principles of Computer Info. Systems	4	\$10.00	Doug Rapstine
ECO 213-1P	Principles of Economics (Macro)	3		Duane Harp
MTH 115-1P	Math for Business and Economics	3		Staff
*MUS 113-1P	Elementary Theory I (LAB-TBA)	3	\$10.00	Nancy McCall
PSY 204-2P	Child Psychology	3		Herman Vinson
SPA 233-1P	Conversational Spanish I	3		Salvador Del Fierro
*DEV M91-1P	Developmental Math II (LAB-TBA)	3	\$10.00	Gari Lord
*ELE 3003	Electronic Circuits	3	\$20.00	Lee Jackson
BUS 214-3P	Principles of Accounting I	3		Judy Maze
VRLE 0105	Real Estate Finance	3		Charles Buzzard
WEDNESDAY 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.				
*ART 131-1P	Drawing I (LAB-TBA)	3	\$10.00	James Ivey Edwards
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BUS 134-1P	Intro. to Business	3		Marian Allen
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*CHM 114-1P	General College Chemistry (LAB)	4	\$10.00	M.B. Smith
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GOV 223-2P	State and Local Government	3		Richard Peet
MTH 120-1P	Modern Math I	3		Layne Heitz
SPE 123-1P	Basic Tech. of Interpersonal Speech	3		Gary Keltan
VRLE 0106-1P	Real Estate Law	3		Phil Vanderpool
NUT 113-1P	Principles of Nutrition	3		Beverly Baker
THURSDAY 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.				
*BAS 114-2P	Beginning Shorthand	3	\$10.00	Marian Allen
**BAS 142-3P	Word Processing I	3	\$10.00	Jan Haynes
*BIO 238-1P	Microbiology (LAB)	4	\$10.00	Carol Colwell
BUS 214-2P	Principles of Accounting I	3		Phil Conner
BUS 215-2P	Business Communications	3		Dana Epperly
FAA 110-1P	Intro. to Fine & Applied Arts	3		Staff
GOV 213-2P	American National Government	3		John Watson
HST 213-3P	American History 1500-1865	3		Margaret Hopkins
MTH 113-1P	College Algebra	3		Daniel Coward
MTH 121-1P	Modern Math II	3		Mike Downes
RLE 114-1P	Real Estate Principles	3		Jill Lewis
*BIO 224-1P	General Botany	4	\$10.00	Jim Baker
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- 5 Brainstorm
- 9 Hebrew letter
- 12 Carry on the back
- 13 Require
- 14 Psychic
- 15 Freshwater porpoise
- 16 Many qts.
- 17 Astronaut's ferry
- 18 Meeting
- 20 Corpulent
- 22 Noun suffix
- 23 Snoop
- 24 Sunday cut of meat
- 27 Biblical angel
- 31 Thou
- 32 Poems
- 34 WWII event
- 35 Actress
- 36 Magnani
- 37 Direction
- 39 Be mistaken
- 40 Neater
- 42 Songstress
- 44 Cut short
- 45 Over there
- 46 Garbed in cloak
- 49 Leave (2 wds.)
- 53 Yorkshire river
- 54 The same
- 56 Mexican shrub
- 57 Fond du
- 58 Wis.
- 59 Less than ten
- 60 Game animal
- 61 Home of Adam
- 62 Return envelope (abbr.)

DOWN

- 1 How sweet
- 2 Over
- 3 Cornelia
- 4 Skinner
- 5 documents

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 41 Nonmetallic element
- 43 Passes (law)
- 45 Red Sea country
- 46 Domination
- 47 College examination
- 48 ___ and call
- 49 Actor Barry
- 50 Horse command
- 51 Is not well
- 52 Harvard's rival
- 55 Brought about

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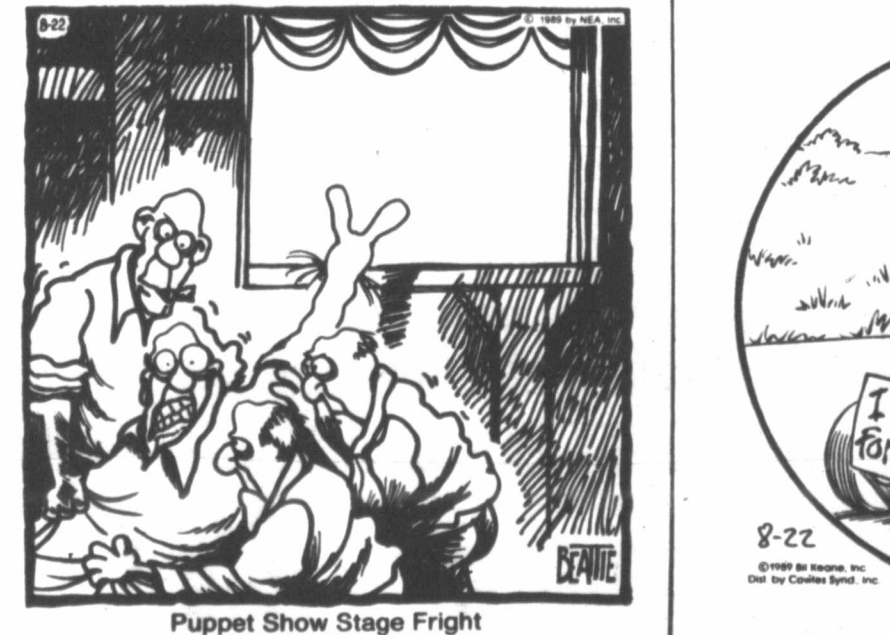
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A number of material goodies that you've been wanting to have but really don't need might come into your possession in the year ahead. They'll be like frosting on the cake.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're going to have to be more assertive than usual if you hope to achieve an important objective at this time. Opposition will be impressive, but the odds still favor you. Virgo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead 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.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It won't be helpful today merely to verbally inspire an associate. In order to encourage this individual you are going to have to physically demonstrate your intentions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It may be best to avoid little groups or cliques whose members of whom you disapprove. Things they may say or do today could give you even more reasons to dislike them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If possible, try to work independently of others today. In your intensity to accomplish your aims, you might feel cohorts will just get in your way and slow you down.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your social acceptance by others is at a high point again today, but if you ignore your duties and responsibilities to pursue a good time, you'll have to pay the price later.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Although your heart will be in the right place when you try to help someone sort out complications today, your methods and ideas might only create more problems.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Neither you nor your mate should make major decisions today without first consulting one another. This is a day when two heads are definitely better than one.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you can't fully concentrate on what you're supposed to be doing today, it might be wise to walk away from it. Don't let persistently poor procedures worsen matters.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're likely to be in an extremely sociable mood today and this is well and good, but you could also be in a very extravagant frame of mind and this is not too nifty.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Being too set upon having everything your own way today could create some problems in your life, especially in dealings with family members.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) People will try to be friendly toward you today because they really like you and want to be of assistance if they can. However, if your mindset is negative, you might not even recognize it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't attempt to impress or influence others today through your expenditures, because it isn't apt to work. Flamboyant gestures will be both costly and ineffective.

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Lifestyles

Club News

The Top O' Texas Kennel Club elected new officers for 1989-90. Steve Henry of Fritch is president. Mona Wheat of Pampa is vice-president.

Elected as secretary is Laura Weese of White Deer and treasurer is Cynthia McDowell, McLean.

The board of directors include all new officers and out-going president, San Talley and one year board member, Alvadee Fleming.

The Kennel Club meets every second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Nona Payne Conference Room at the Community Building.

James and Laura Weese, Pat and Mona Wheat, and Alvadee Fleming recently returned from Lubbock where they attended a one day seminar on show grooming for various breeds and handling techniques for exhibiting dogs at pointed shows. Instructor was C.L. Eudy.

Legal advice to teen basically bunch of bull

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Abby is off on a two-week vacation, but she left behind some of her favorite letters taken from her best-selling book, "The Best of Dear Abby.")

DEAR ABBY: Our 15-year-old, 6-foot, 200-pound son got a girl from a neighboring farm into trouble. She is also 15. We gave him strict orders to stay away from her, but it seems he didn't. Her people claim it's our fault.

I talked with a judge in the city, and he said there is a law that says if a man owns a bull, he is responsible for keeping the bull locked up. And if the bull gets loose and goes into a neighbor's pasture and breeds his dairy heifers, the owners of the heifers can't sue for damages because they should have kept their heifers locked up. My friend, the judge, says the same law applies to people. Do we have a case?

OHIO FARMER: A man's son is not a bull; neither is his neighbor's daughter a heifer. I can't practice law, but I think your friend, the judge, gave you a bum steer.

DEAR ABBY: I am employed at a very large convalescent home. One of the elderly residents here lost her dentures, so with a pillow case in hand, she crept into the rooms of the other occupants while they were sleeping and picked up every pair of false teeth from the water glasses. She then returned to her room and tried each set until she found one that fit her. Then she sneakily returned the sets of teeth to any water glass.

The next morning, everyone was walking around the place with overbites and underslung jaws, complaining bitterly that their dentures didn't fit!

How do we straighten out this mess? Or must we buy new dentures for 100 residents?

DENTURE DILEMMA: Call in a dentist and ask him to examine the mouths of the patients and the dentures, in order to return them to their rightful owners. (P.S. Denture-marking kits are available. Get one and use it, before another teeth thief gums up the works again.)

DEAR ABBY: I am 22 and Mike is 25. We've been married a little over a year, and I have a problem I can't ask anyone else about.

Mike has a big appetite for sex, but I'm not complaining. It's his timing that bothers me. He always wants to make love on Sunday morning before Mass. Abby, I know that married love is not a sin, but for some silly reason I just hate to go to Mass right after having sex. Lately I have been putting my husband off. But I feel guilty about that.

Do you think I should postpone the lovemaking until after Mass? Or keep telling myself I have no reason to feel guilty about it, and just try to get over that feeling? What's wrong

Young exec's wardrobe-invest in the best

DALLAS (AP) — In today's competitive business world, dressing the part can mean the difference between the fast track and the fast fade, but having the right look can be hard on a junior executive's salary.

Men's wear experts advise following a simple rule — invest in the best and build a wardrobe slowly. Quality, not quantity, is the key.

Joe Haggar III, president of Haggar Men's Wear, says, "The first step to developing a wardrobe that will work season after season is to take inventory of your clothing needs and plan a budget."

"An easy rule of thumb," says Haggar, "is to designate 5 or 6 percent of an annual salary for yearly clothing purchases."

He recommends building an executive wardrobe around three suits — a navy, a gray or charcoal and a pinstripe.

A good suit costs \$225 and up, but this wardrobe workhorse, in a classic style and color, gives years of wear. In most areas of the country, a midweight worsted wool or wool-blend suit can be worn 10 months a year.

When searching for a suit, Haggar says, "Nothing is more important than the assistance of a knowledgeable, patient salesperson." However, he suggests the following checkpoints:

— Look inside at the suit's construction. The coat and sleeves should be fully lined with a soft, smooth fabric.

— Take loose threads, uneven seams and mismatched patterns as a sign of poor quality.

— When worn, a jacket's lapels should lie flat against the chest. Sleeves should end at the wrist

bone, allowing one-half inch of shirt cuff to show.

— Padding in the shoulders should be light and smooth, not lumpy. The shoulder pads should rest comfortably on the shoulders and not slide back or pull forward.

— Look at buttons and button holes for a clue to the overall quality of a suit. This is where some manufacturers cut corners. Button holes should be neat with buttons smoothly and firmly fastened.

— Trousers should hug, but not bind at the waist, and pleats should lay flat. There should be a smooth waistband and deep pockets. And look for added touches, such as brace buttons.

After purchasing a suit, a collection of ties and shirts provides the needed versatility for weekly wear.

Haggar says there is a new focus on the shirt. French cuffs, bold stripes and spread, tabbed or button-down collars are seeing a lot of action in offices across the country. Whatever style, the investment in 100 percent cotton shirts is worth it given the longer life and better wear that come with the all-natural fiber.

"Ties are another opportunity to make a fashion statement," says Haggar. "Don't ruin the look of a great suit with a soiled, wrinkled or dated tie."

The latest tie patterns and colors update a suit and often are priced moderately," he says. Pocket squares and braces are other reasonably priced accessories that can enhance the total look.



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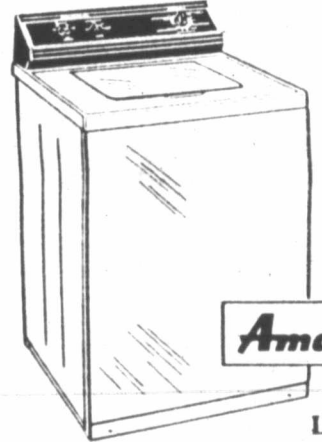
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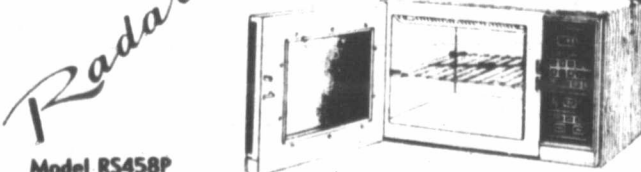


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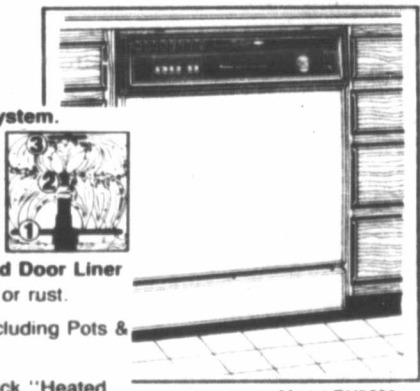
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Women infected with AIDS get their say in a new book

By CATHERINE DRESSLER
Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Tema Luft, a 36-year-old telephone company employee, took pride in never missing a day of work. She exercised five days a week, watched her diet and didn't drink or smoke.

Then her doctor told her she was infected with the AIDS virus.

"I kept saying, 'This is all a mistake,' " she recalls. "It's not supposed to get people like me. I'm not gay. I'm not a man. I don't do drugs."

It was no mistake. Ms. Luft, of Baltimore, now believes she was infected during a two-year sexual relationship with a former state trooper.

"My doctor said the man could have used drugs or he could be bisexual and that never occurred to me," she says. "You can't judge a book by its cover."

Luft is one of 41 women who tell their stories in *AIDS: The Women*, an anthology from Cleis Press, a small publisher of feminist works in Pittsburgh and San Francisco.

Like Luft, some of the women in the book have

been infected by acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Some have watched a husband, son or other loved one die of AIDS, and others are working to stop the disease from spreading.

All of the stories challenge the myth that women are largely unaffected by the disease because they comprise just 9 percent of the 99,000 adult AIDS cases reported in this country.

"AIDS is not just a disease affecting white gay men," says Ines Rieder, co-editor of the book. "It's something that concerns all of us, including women, and not just some particular risk group. Women really share in this disease."

In New York City, AIDS is the leading cause of death among women aged 25 to 39, according to the city's health department. Besides killing these women, the disease is infecting their newborn children, who often die following a painful, short life.

AIDS is caused by a virus that damages the body's immune system, leaving victims susceptible to infections and cancer.

It is spread most often through sexual contact, needles or syringes shared by drug abusers, in-

fecting blood or blood products and from pregnant women to their offspring.

Luft's ordeal began more than two years ago when a co-worker noticed a lump on her neck. Three doctors were unable to determine why her lymph nodes were swollen.

A fourth doctor finally tested her for the AIDS virus in February 1987.

Since then, she has continued to work as a technician at C&P Telephone Co. despite chronic diarrhea, fevers and fatigue. The job helps her forget.

Despite the opposition of her mother and other relatives, she went public with her story to help other women.

"I wish more women like me would come forward," she says. "I'm not going to say it's easy. I took a lot of heat from my family, my friends and some business establishments."

Luft has been thrown out of two beauty shops where she had her nails manicured and "got nicely uninvited" from a baby shower when the father-to-be learned she carried the AIDS virus.

Still, she continues to speak at schools and any-

where else she is invited.

"Women are just not aware that their partners could be IV (intravenous) drug users or could be bisexual," she says. "Let's face it, the average man is not going to come home and say to his partner, 'By the way honey, I was with this guy last night.'"

Lynn Hampton, a 39-year-old former prostitute, writes in the book about her experiences tracking down prostitutes in Atlanta to hand out condoms and test for the AIDS virus as part of a federal study.

One 23-year-old prostitute told Ms. Hampton she bought used, bent needles to shoot cocaine into her veins and laughed at the suggestion she should be concerned about the threat of AIDS.

"Honey, I'm amazed I'm alive right now," the woman told Hampton. "I've got to come up with \$400 each and every day, just to put in my arm ... That's what I have to worry about, not some disease that may kill me in five years. Get real."

Another woman, Judi Stone of San Francisco, watched her homosexual 19-year-old son, Michael, die of AIDS in 1984.

Dallas group workers take to trashy job

By DARRYL EWING
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — It's a trashy job, but workers at Dry Gulch Recycling are willing to brush aside the dirt if it means saving natural resources and helping homeless families.

"Before (Dry Gulch), Dallas was at the bottom of the rung as far as recycling is concerned," said volunteer president Joanne Hill. "We were back in the Dark Ages."

Dry Gulch is a non-profit recycling corporation organized last year to promote environmental cleanup and preserve natural resources. It contributes about \$200 monthly to the Downtown Dallas Family Shelter — a get-back-on-your-feet facility for homeless families.

"It takes a tremendous amount of funds to restore a family," Ms. Hill said. "We hope to be able to contribute more in a couple of years, but we're barely breaking even right now."

Jan Mitura, director of the shelter, said Dry Gulch offers a unique way for people and businesses to help families in need.

"Dry Gulch lets the community feel like they are a part of the shelter. It helps make all kinds of people feel good," Ms. Mitura said.

"You may not have the dollars to contribute to us, but you may save computer paper and donate that to Dry Gulch. We tap into the community in all kinds of ways for support," she said.

Dry Gulch pulls in about \$10,000 a month on recycling. It sells office paper refuse and cast-off telephone books to paper towel manufacturers. Old tires are ground up and become part of running tracks. And about 8 billion pounds of glass collected is melted down into new containers.

Dry Gulch has become the largest multi-material recycling center in Texas. But Texans traditionally have not been recyclers, says Gavino Sotelo, assistant director of streets and sanitation for the city of Dallas.

"It'll take some time for recycling to catch on in Texas," he said. "Texas has a lot of landfills. That's not going to promote much recycling."

"I think it's important that people become aware that landfill space gets filled. We're not going to have a place to put it all."

Hill offered another reason.

"We're just so spoiled," she said. "We throw everything in the garbage and we expect the collectors to come and get it. And heaven forbid should they miss a day or leave a piece of paper behind."

"It's that kind of attitude that we have to change. We have to let people know that recycling is good not only from an economic standpoint but from an environmental standpoint."

The city of Dallas rents the collection center to Dry Gulch at a rate of \$100 every five years. Recycling saves the city about \$82,000 in waste disposal costs, Hill says.

Dallas spends about \$4.7 million to dispose of about 850,000 tons of garbage each year, city records show.

Environmental groups such as the Sierra Club, Audubon Society and Save Open Space urged the City Council to create a recycling center. Nine corporations donated about \$5,000 each to start Dry Gulch in April 1988.

Now it's outperforming centers in Waco, Houston and El Paso.

"This is a good example of what citizens and corporations and communities can do if they pool their resources," she said. "We've created a market here and people are responding."

"Recycling is something everyone can do," she said. "Everyone has trash."

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