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Thousands of refugees flee East Germany

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PASSAU, West Germany (AP) — Thousands of ecstatic East German refugees poured into West Germany today after Hungary defied a Warsaw Pact ally and boldly threw open a door to the West.

"You made it!" yelled one young emigre, hitting the hood of his Wartburg minibus after arriving

in the largest mass migration from East Germany since the Berlin Wall went up in 1961.

East Germany angrily denounced the exodus and accused Hungary of "smuggling" human beings.

A 40-year-old Leipzig man, who would not give his name, said: "I decided on escaping 27 years ago, and today it worked. It's a feeling that's just tops, just wild."

Bavarian border police said more

than 2,000 East German refugees — mostly young couples or families with young children — had crossed into the southern state from Austria by mid-morning. The number was climbing rapidly.

Hungary opened its border to the West at midnight to the East Germans, allowing the mass exodus despite efforts by die-hard Communists in East Berlin to dissuade Hungary's reform-minded leaders.

Hungarian radio compared the East Germans' noisy departure by car, bus and train to a New Year's Eve celebration "with horns blaring and people shouting."

Austria said 5,000 refugees had crossed into its territory by mid-morning.

West Germany's ZDF television network said the total number expected to reach the West in the current exodus could be "well over 10,000."

Thousands of East Germans had flooded into Hungary on tourist visas after it tore down its border fence with Austria in May. By mid-August, refugee camps were going up around Budapest.

East Germany accused Hungary of interfering in its internal affairs by allowing the mass flight and becoming the first East bloc government to help citizens of an ally freely leave their homeland.

The state-run news agency ADN said Hungary, under the guise of humanitarianism, "has engaged in the organized smuggling of human beings."

But while Hungary risked worsened relations with an East bloc ally, it could develop closer and potentially lucrative ties with Common Market member West Germany.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, whose country offers East Germans automatic citizenship and help getting settled, hailed Hungary's move as representative of "its humane policies."

An estimated 60,000 East Germans were in Hungary on Sunday and the Hungarian foreign minister, Gyula Horn, suggested that many more than the 6,500



(AP Laserphoto)

Young East Germans, a champagne bottle and their new West German passport in hand, kiss early Monday morning after they crossed the border.

formally registered as wanting to leave might cross into Austria.

Even as the first convoys of refugees made their way into Austria, new East German arrivals were reported at several refugee camps in Hungary.

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In Bavaria, the refugees lined up to register with charities and border authorities. As parents stretched, filled out forms or cupped hands around containers of coffee handed out by volunteers, children lined up in the morning mist for teddy bears, picture books and other donated playthings.

West German Red Cross

workers braced for the onslaught by hastily erecting tent communities in several Bavarian towns late last month. But most of those arriving in the early morning hours opted to drive on to relatives in cities as far away as Hamburg.

For many of the thousands who began crossing into Austria shortly after midnight, leaving Hungary was occasion for tumultuous celebration.

Lines of cars, horns honking, formed on the Hungarian side, with some passengers waving champagne bottles out of car windows. On arrival in Nickelsdorf, an Austrian border town, dozens jumped from their cars to dance in the street, cheered on by a growing crowd of Austrians.



(AP Laserphoto)

An Austrian customs officer checks the passports of East Germans crossing into Austria from Hungary early Monday morning after Hungarian authorities lifted travel restrictions.

Attackers kill former Medellin mayor

By SUSANA HAYWARD
Associated Press Writer

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Attackers today shot and killed a former mayor of Medellin, the heart of the nation's cocaine industry and focus of most of the violence in the country's narcotics war, police said.

At least two attackers dressed in black shot Pablo Pelaez Gonzalez as he was being driven to his office, where he operated a local plywood company, the Medellin police said by telephone.

Pelaez' driver was killed also, said a police spokeswoman who declined to be identified.

Radio stations reporting from the scene of the shooting said the killers, apparently on foot, fired 9mm automatic pistols at the ex-mayor's BMW sedan, shed their black outer garments and fled.

Pelaez, 45, was mayor of the city of 2 million, Colombia's second largest, until 1986.

No group immediately asserted responsibility for the killing. It is the latest in a string of daily

bombings and shootings in Medellin, where wealthy drug lords have focused efforts to terrorize Colombians following an unprecedented government crackdown on traffickers announced Aug. 18.

The most-wanted cocaine chieftains remain at large and it doesn't appear the government knows where they are despite a \$250,000 reward offered for information on their whereabouts. Colombia on Sunday signed extradition papers for three alleged traffickers.

The crackdown has been supported by President Bush and is the focus of a U.N. meeting that opened today in Vienna on the issue.

"If Colombia were to lose this war (against the traffickers), we should all be lost," Margaret J. Anstee, director general of the U.N. Office in Vienna, told top government and law enforcement officials from 100 countries.

During the weekend, the army kept on confiscating the lavish properties the fugitive

cocaine traffickers left behind.

At least five properties were seized, along with Olympic-sized swimming pools, 600 head of cattle, 200 exotic tropical birds, 80 fighting cocks, show horses, trucks and an idyllic estate on a so-called "Fantasy Island" on the Magdalena River running through Colombia's midwest.

The properties are said to belong to the top two and most wanted drug lords, Pablo Escobar and Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha. They are worth billions and the seizures are not believed to have drastically diminished the reputed drug barons' wealth.

For the first time since the drug sweep began, eight A-37 jets donated last week by the United States were used in reconnaissance flights over the properties, Colombian television reported.

"We are going to keep the seizures up," said an officer with the 4th Army Brigade, one of the units carrying out the anti-drug operations. He asked not to be identified for security reasons.

Report urges mandatory work on airliners

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government-industry task force, reporting today on aging airliners, recommends mandatory work to increase the safety of older DC-8, DC-9 and DC-10 jetliners, officials say.

The group proposes parts replacement and other work on 1,500 McDonnell Douglas airliners, its advice resembling recommendations already made by another task force for Boeing airliners, said government and industry officials familiar with the task force's yearlong work.

The Federal Aviation Administration, which made the Boeing recommendations manda-

tory in May, participated in the latest group along with airlines, manufacturers and some foreign aviation safety officials. The regulatory agency is expected to adopt the McDonnell Douglas recommendations for U.S. airlines, and most foreign carriers are likely to comply.

A third study will cover older airliners built by other manufacturers.

Details of the McDonnell Douglas study were being released at a news conference today by the Air Transport Association, which represents airlines.

ATA spokesman Tim Neale said the report does not differ signif-

icantly from the study of older Boeing jetliners and is primarily based on a review of service bulletins issued by the manufacturer.

James Brown, spokesman for American Airlines which participated in the task force, said the recommendations include "terminating actions (parts replacements) that need to be made on Douglas products as they age."

An industry analyst, Paul Turk of AVMARK Inc., said mandatory work on McDonnell Douglas aircraft should be less extensive than that required for Boeing models because "the Douglas construction philosophy is heavier" with fewer corrosion problems.

AVMARK lists 306 DC-8s, which were first built in 1958, as still carrying passengers or freight throughout the world; 888 DC-9s, first manufactured in 1964; and 372 DC-10s, which entered commercial fleets in 1971 and are no longer in production.

The Boeing recommendations called for \$800 million worth of mandatory work on more than 1,300 early 747, 737 and 727 airliners, amounting to about \$600,000 for each aircraft.

When the FAA adopted the report on Boeing, it marked a major change in government's approach to aging airliners.

Yeltsin says power will change hands in Russia

NEW YORK (AP) — Soviet maverick Boris N. Yeltsin says newly elected officials will take power from the Communist party into their own hands as President Mikhail Gorbachev's political fortunes decline.

"We're having an economic crisis, a financial crisis, a political crisis, the living standard is falling," Yeltsin said at a news conference Sunday during his first trip to the United States.

"We need a person who is more decisive than Gorbachev," he said. "What we need is a revolution from below, since we're not really getting a revolution from above."

But Yeltsin, chairman of a newly-formed independent caucus in the Soviet Congress, ruled out the possibility of a coup.

"A coup d'etat is pretty unrealistic," said Yeltsin, who arrived in New York on Saturday to begin a private trip of about two weeks sponsored by the Esalen Institute's Soviet-American Exchange Program.

Yeltsin, 58, lost his position as Moscow's Communist party chief in 1987 after criticizing the slow pace of change under Gorbachev. But this year he was elected with 90 percent of the vote to the Soviet Congress, where he is an outspoken member of a radical bloc.

He said his country should learn from American democracy while changing its own political



Yeltsin

system.

"We have to take what is positive ... from America's more than 200 years of democratic experience, and on the basis of that create a new model of socialism," he said on CBS News' *Face the Nation*.

Yeltsin said the Soviet Union needs a new model of socialism, possibly including a multi-party system.

The \$25,000 fees sponsors say Yeltsin will receive for speeches during his tour will help fund AIDS research in the Soviet Union.

Appearances have been announced in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Indianapolis, Minneapolis and Dallas.

Lawmakers: Flag burning legislation chances good in Congress

By JOHN FLESHER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Outrage over the Supreme Court's flag-burning decision is subsiding, but legislation to undo the ruling still stands an excellent chance of approval in Congress, lawmakers say.

"If you vote against this law, they could say you're for burning of the flag," said Rep. Sonny Montgomery, D-Miss., voicing the concern of many lawmakers that the issue remains potent despite evidence the uproar that greeted the June 21 ruling has subsided.

Even though House and Senate leaders expect legislation to pass, many lawmakers who spent August at home on recess say they heard little about the issue from constituents.

"My constituents couldn't care less about a superficial issue like flag-burning," said Rep. Major Owens, D-N.Y.

Rep. Phil Crane, R-Ill., said the matter was "an abstraction to most people. I doubt you can find one person in a million who has witnessed someone

desecrating the flag."

But many Americans, particularly veterans' groups, are still angry. "People are incensed," said Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo. "They still want to see action quickly."

In its 5-4 ruling, the court overturned a Texas law under which a protester was charged for burning a flag at the 1984 Republican National Convention in Dallas.

With legislation to protect the flag ready to begin moving through Congress this week, the only question appeared to be whether Congress would submit a constitutional amendment to the states for ratification in addition to widely expected passage of a law.

An amendment would have to be approved by a two-thirds majority of the House and Senate and by 34 of the 50 states, while a law requires simple majority votes of the House and Senate and the president's signature.

The proposed law, on which House debate begins Tuesday, would impose unspecified fines and up to a year in prison for anyone who "knowingly mutilates, defaces, burns or tramples upon any flag of the United

States."

Democratic leaders say enactment of a law could defuse a potential political bombshell without eroding First Amendment rights, although civil libertarians and the American Bar Association say the proposed law is still too restrictive.

But President Bush and other Republican leaders, backed by veterans' groups including the American Legion, say they doubt the legislation would survive a court challenge. They are pushing a constitutional amendment.

Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, has scheduled a Senate vote on the amendment for Oct. 16. In the House, Republicans and Democrats were exploring a tradeoff in which the leadership would allow a vote on the constitutional amendment and the GOP minority would drop plans to oppose the statute.

While Republicans appeared to view the issue as a political plus, many Democrats voiced discomfort at the prospect of having negative votes on the statute or the amendment used against them in future campaigns.

"My sense is that people are concerned that

Republicans will use the issue in the same unprincipled but politically effective way in which they used the Pledge" of Allegiance against Democratic presidential nominee Michael Dukakis last year, said Rep. Ted Weiss, D-N.Y.

Rep. Guy Vander Jagt, R-Mich., chairman of the House GOP campaign committee, said Democrats have good reason to worry. "I'd like to see a lot of Democrats voting against (the amendment) because I do think it would make them vulnerable," he said.

Democrats who vote for the statute but against the constitutional amendment would not be immune from attacks, Vander Jagt said, adding, "They would have voted against the only viable solution, the only real way to protect the flag."

But some Democrats say they believe most voters would be satisfied with a statute.

"I think the momentum to build up to a constitutional amendment has been substantial," said Rep. Mike Synar, D-Okla. "A statute will suffice. Even veterans' groups ... are telling me right now they think a statute's sufficient."

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Services tomorrow

EPPS, Essie - 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.
DENTON, Joe M. - 4 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.
PARRISH, Charley T. - 10 a.m., First Christian Church, Canadian.
HARDIN, Michael Dean - 1:15 p.m., graveside, Fort Sam Houston Cemetery, San Antonio.

Obituaries

JOE M. DENTON
 Joe M. Denton, 88, died Sunday. Services are to be at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. John Denton, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.
 Born in Kerrville, Mr. Denton moved to Pampa from Willow, Okla., in 1945. He married Phyllis Bragg on Jan. 21, 1926 at Garnet, Okla. He was employed by Cabot Corp. for nine years, retiring in 1953.
 Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Karen Parnell of Pampa; Shirley Nixon and Sandra Travis, both of Amarillo, and Betty Parsons of Tow; a son, Don R. Denton of Carmichael, Calif.; 13 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

ESSIE EPPS
 Services for Essie Epps, 83, are to be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with Dr. Darrel Rains, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.
 Mrs. Epps died Saturday.
 Born Jan. 26, 1906 in Stephenville, Mrs. Epps had been a Pampa resident for 50 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church. She began working as a nurse for Highland General Hospital when it opened, retiring in 1965. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gurvas I. Epps, in 1965.
 Survivors include a daughter and two grandchildren.

DAVE F. SKIDMORE
SHAMROCK - Dave F. Skidmore, 82, died Saturday. Services are to be at 3 p.m. today in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Mike Chancellor, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery by Richerson Funeral Home.
 Mr. Skidmore had been a resident of Shamrock since 1909. He operated Corner Drug Store for more than 50 years, retiring in 1979. He was a pharmacist and attended pharmacy school in Dallas. He was a member of First Baptist Church and the Shamrock Masonic Lodge. He married Grace Norman in 1934 at Childress. He served in the city council for four terms and was a member of the Cemetery Association Board.
 Survivors include his wife and several nieces and nephews.

TOY COX
ALLISON - Toy Cox, 95, died Sunday. Services are to be at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Zybach Cemetery with the Rev. F.R. Johnson officiating. Cremation and service arrangements are by Richerson Funeral Home.
 Mrs. Cox was born in Missouri. She moved to Allison from California in 1974.
 Survivors include a great-great-nephew, Richard K. Green of Allison.

CHARLEY T. PARRISH
CANADIAN - Charley T. Parrish, 72, died Sunday. Services are to be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Rick Bartlett, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Canadian Cemetery by Stickleby-Hill Funeral Home.
 Mrs. Parrish was a longtime Canadian resident and a member of the First Christian Church.
 Survivors include two sons, William Frank Montgomery of Spartanburg, S.C., and Austin Parrish of Canadian; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

LEE PRYOR
GUYMON, Okla. - Lee Pryor, 80, a former Canadian resident, died Saturday. Graveside services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Elmhurst Cemetery with the Rev. Mike Chaffin, pastor of Victory Memorial United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Henson Funeral Home.
 Mr. Pryor was born in Ada, Okla. He married Mary Owen in 1945 at Canadian. He served in Army Corps of Engineers during World War II. In 1952, he moved from Canadian to Guymon, where he established the Pryor Oil and Gas Co. He owned and operated the company until his retirement.
 Survivors include his wife; a sister, Frances Johnson of Aurora, Wash.; a sister-in-law, Clytee Pryor of Clinton, Ark.; and several nieces and nephews.

Minor accidents
 The Pampa Police Department responded to the following minor accidents.
THURSDAY, Sept. 7
 6:30 p.m. - An unknown vehicle struck a 1981 Chevrolet pickup truck, owned by Kenneth Zane Gray of Gruver, parked and unoccupied at a parking lot in the 2300 block of North Hobart.
FRIDAY, Sept. 8
 9:30 a.m. - A 1976 Ford pickup driven by Mario Alberto Ramirez, 1228 Duncan, and a 1980 Cadillac driven by Doris Coble Young, 1630 Christy, collided at South Cuyler and East Foster streets. Ramirez was cited for following too closely. No injuries were reported.

Fires
 No fires were reported to the Pampa Fire Department during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions
 Sarah Alexander, Pampa
 Edna I. Morris, Pampa
 Robert D. Pinkston, Pampa
 Linda M. Walker, Borger
 Marie Lopez, Pampa
 James Robert McKernan, Pampa
 William C. Morris, Pampa
 Grace Marie Sells, Pampa
 William G. Stevens, Pampa
 H.D. Waller, Pampa
Dismissals
 William V. Brookshire, Pampa
 Jerald D. Cowell, Garden City, Kan.
 Opal Ely, Pampa
 H.B. Mitchell, Pampa
 Curtis Phillips, White Deer
 Joe M. Denton, Pampa
Bonnie Irvin and baby boy, Pampa
 Cari E. Lawrence, Pampa
 Patricia A. McDonald and baby girl
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 Toby Wall, Shamrock
 Estelle Surber, Sayre, Okla.
 Lillian Williams, Shamrock
 Stanley Freeman, no address given
 Gloyd A. Montgomery, Wellington
 Howard Lloyd, Shamrock
 Bessie Ramsey, Wheeler
 Patsy Graves, Shamrock
 Doyle Ramsey, Wheeler
Dismissals
 Patsy Talent, Shamrock
 Varnie Lowe, McLean
 Guadalupe Garza, Memphis

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa

Wheat	3.58	Amoco	49 1/4	dn 1/8
Milo	3.75	Arco	105	dn 1/4
Corn	4.25	Cabot	37 3/4	dn 1/4
		Chevron	58 1/2	dn 1/2
		Enron	52 3/4	dn 1/8
		Halliburton	39 1/8	dn 1/8
		Ingersoll Rand	47 7/8	dn 3/4
		KNE	21 3/4	NC
		Kerr McGee	49 1/4	dn 1/4
		Phillips	58 1/2	dn 1/2
		Marathon	38 1/4	NC
		Maxxus	9 1/8	dn 1/8
		Mesa Ltd	10 1/2	dn 1/8
		Mobil	56 3/4	dn 3/8
		New Atmos	16	dn 1/8
		Penney's	65 3/4	up 1/8
		Phillips	27 1/2	dn 1/8
		SLB	44	dn 1/8
		SPS	28 3/4	dn 1/8
		Tenneco	61	NC
		Texasco	50 3/4	dn 1/2
		New York Gold	359 25	
		Silver	5.08	

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa

Police report

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

THURSDAY, Sept. 7
 Kenneth Zane Gray of Gruver reported a hit and run accident in the Wal-Mart parking lot.

FRIDAY, Sept. 8
 Domestic violence was reported in the 300 block of Miami Street.
 Juanita A. Parcell, 423 N. Russell, reported trespassing at the residence.

SATURDAY, Sept. 9
 Janice Dunlap, 942 Sierra, reported simple assault at the residence.

SUNDAY, Sept. 10
 Judy Lynn King, 1104 Crane, reported disorderly conduct at the residence.
 A bicycle was reported stolen from the yard at 1818 Beech.
 A bicycle was reported stolen from the yard at 1408 Hamilton.
 A representative for Pampa Concrete Co., 212 W. Tyng, reported burglary of the business.
 Kayla Dawn Winebreat, 412 N. Somerville #12, reported assault at the residence.
 A representative for Allsup's, 500 E. Foster, reported theft under \$20.

MONDAY, Sept. 11
 A representative for Radcliff Electric, 519 S. Cuyler, reported burglary of the business.
 Alice Ford, 1612 Evergreen, reported burglary of the residence.

Arrests
SUNDAY, Sept. 10
 Donna Rae Knaub, 28, Rt. 1 Box 885, was arrested at Frost and Browning streets on six warrants and charges of expired driver's license, no driver's license, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
 Mark Edwin Trevatham, 26, 911 S. Wells, was arrested at Alcock and Faulkner streets on a charge of public intoxication. He was released on bond.
 Lynden Dean Wilson Jr., 22, 911 S. Wells, was arrested in the 500 block of West Oklahoma Street on charges of driving while intoxicated and driving left of center.
 Freddy E. Romines, 37, 1601 W. Somerville #716, was arrested at 1300 West Alcock Street on two outstanding warrants. He was released on bond.

MONDAY, Sept. 11
 Ina Ruth Johnson, 50, Borger, was arrested in the 500 block of Crawford Street on charges of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.
 Chad Eugene Snell, 18, Coronado Village #3, was arrested in the 400 block of North Somerville on charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Calendar of events

PAMPA SINGLES' ORGANIZATION
 Pampa Singles' Organization will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. for snacks and games at 2145 Aspen. For more information, call 669-6138.
VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA
 Vietnam Veterans of America, North Plains Chapter 404, meets Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the American Legion Building in Borger. All Vietnam veterans welcome.

Pentagon still looks for test site

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Defense Nuclear Agency is looking outside Texas for a place to conduct underground explosions designed to simulate the impact of nuclear blasts on subterranean command centers, after abandoning its preferred site near Del Rio.

In a letter released today by Sens. Lloyd Bentsen and Phil Gramm, the DNA's new director, Maj. Gen. Gerald G. Watson, said the Pentagon agency has stopped all test drilling operations at the Buck King Ranch site in Val Verde County, is shutting down the drilling rig and has begun clean-up operations.

In the face of stiff local opposition to the series of non-nuclear explosions, the DNA announced last month it was abandoning further evaluation of the Del Rio site, but said it would evaluate other sites in Texas, including Val Verde County.

Watson, however, told the state's two senators in a letter dated Sept. 8 that: "Currently, we are re-examining our geologic and hydrologic data base outside Texas for the purpose of finding the next best site for the program."

"This is a good decision, easing our concerns about possible damage to the water supply in an area where water is scarce and responding to the strong community opposition," said Bentsen, D-Texas.

Gramm, R-Texas, said he was also pleased with the agency's decision.

"I am delighted that the DNA has reached a final decision to pack up and look elsewhere for a test site. It's clear from the director's latest letter that the unanimity of local opposition had a strong specific impact on the DNA's decision. I'm proud of the people in Val Verde County who worked together to make their voices heard in Washington," Gramm said today.

Watson told Bentsen and Gramm that as a fellow Texan he understands the importance of scarce water and will work hard to avoid any hardship to "our people."

Residents of Del Rio had feared the tests could potentially damage the border city's only source of drinking water, the underground San Felipe Springs.

In his letter to Bentsen, Watson said the agency had initially considered other sites in Texas, including locations near the Pecos River in western Val Verde County, the Cauthorn Ranch in Val Verde County, and at Fort Hood.

Watson said the DNA, which had been drilling on the Buck King Ranch to test the area's geology and hydrology, would have the site inspected by the U.S. Army Waterways Experiment Station and the Texas Water Commission, before it leaves the site.

Local and county officials would also be welcome to participate, Watson said.

Town hopes bridge will help them survive

LOS INDIOS, Texas (AP) - Residents in this community north of the Mexican border are optimistic that a planned international bridge will help the area survive the recent closing of its elementary school.

"Our people are for (the bridge)," said Margarita Moody, owner and operator of a convenience store near the edge of town. "It will attract more businesses and more people. I don't know why, but a lot of people are very excited about it; you'd be surprised."

The school served an important role as the center of Los Indios, and many houses were constructed near it. But the locking of the school's front gate, to prevent vandalism, also keeps children from using the area's only playground.

Ms. Moody said the school had been a source of public pride.

"A lot of people are very mad about it," Moody said. "I don't think there was anyone here who wanted it closed. We feel instead of growing, we are going down."

Harlingen attorney Randy Whit-

tington, who has worked on the bridge project for 16 years, said local and county officials expect much growth when the bridge is built.

"The impetus for the bridge project has been to build an industrial park on this side and develop a maquiladora operation on the other side," said Whittington, an attorney for the San Benito Bridge Co.

"Any time you have industrial development, you will have an increase in population."

Work on the bridge, which has been in the planning stage for 30 years, should begin by the year's end and finish in 12 to 18 months, said Whittington.

Kiwanis to hear Olney executive

Jeff McClatchy, an executive with Olney Savings & Loan Association, is to be guest speaker at the Kiwanis Club of Pampa meeting at noon Friday in the basement of First United Methodist Church.

McClatchy, executive vice president of marketing and developing, is to speak on recent savings and loan legislation and the changes which are expected to result from the new regulations.

Holding a long record of experience in the savings and loan busi-

ness, McClatchy first started as a branch manager for Dallas Federal Savings in 1973 following his graduation from Baylor University in Waco. He is also a graduate of the Savings and Loan graduate school of the University of Indiana, Bloomington, Ind.

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City briefs

LINDA CLARY has joined Hair-Benders. She welcomes you with the latest in hair care. Sassy Z-Perm, \$35.00 through September. Call 665-7117 or come by 316 S. Cuyler. Adv.

UNITED FEED Acco and Crown Quality feeds for all types livestock, pets, birds, etc. Hay, health supplies, tack and repairs. 2 free meals September 16. Competitive prices. Now booking cattle cubes. 625 S. West Str. 665-1142. Adv.

PIANO LESSONS 13 years experience. Beginners a specialty. 665-7852. Adv.

SWEET CORN, Okra and black-eyed peas by the bushel or smaller. Black Diamond and yellow meat mellons. Tomatoes and other vegetables. Epperson's Highway 60 east, 2 miles. Adv.

ACLD MEETING tonight, HiLand Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 7 p.m.

JUST ARRIVED new shipment of potpourri and oil and more! Rolanda's Silk Flowers and Gifts, Pampa Mall. Adv.

PAMPA BOOK CLUB meeting Wednesday 13th, 9:30 a.m. Lovett Library.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Cool tonight with a chance of thundershowers. Low in mid 50s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and cool with a 40 percent chance of rain. High in the mid 60s with east winds at 10 to 15 mph. Sunday's high was 73; the overnight low was 54. Pampa received 0.15 inch of moisture in the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Cloudy and cool with a good chance of rain and thundershowers Panhandle through Tuesday. Partly cloudy with scattered to numerous thundershowers through Tuesday South Plains, with a few storms possibly severe this afternoon and tonight. Otherwise partly cloudy with isolated scattered thundershowers Permian Basin, Concho Valley and mountains. Highs today upper 60s Panhandle and upper 70s South Plains to mid 80s Permian Basin and Concho Valley. Low 90s Far West and near 102 Big Bend Valleys. Lows tonight mid 50s Panhandle, upper 50s mountains and South Plains and upper 60s Concho Valley. Low 70s Big Bend Valleys. Highs Tuesday mid 60s Panhandle, upper 70s South Plains and upper 80s Far West. Near 100 Big Bend Valleys.

North Texas - Showers and thundershowers likely northern sections tonight with a chance of showers or thundershowers remainder of the area. Mostly cloudy Tuesday with a chance of showers or thundershowers most sections. Low tonight from 68 to 75. High Tuesday from 82 northwest to 90 south.

South Texas - Partly cloudy

with scattered showers and thundershowers through Tuesday. Decreasing from the west tonight. Mostly cloudy central sections. Highs through Tuesday near 90 east and at the coast to near 100 west. Lows tonight in the 70s, near 80 beaches.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Wednesday through Friday
 West Texas - Widely scattered to scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers far west, Panhandle and South Plains on Wednesday. Otherwise mostly fair areawide. A little cooler than normal Wednesday but temperatures near seasonal normals both Thursday and Friday. Panhandle: Lows low to mid 50s. Highs mid 70s warming to low 80s. South Plains: Lows mid 50s to around 60. Highs upper 70s warming to mid 80s. Permian Basin: Lows near 60 to mid 60s. Highs mid 80s. Concho Valley: Lows in mid 60s. Highs mid to upper 80s. Far West: Lows around 60. Highs mid to upper 80s. Big Bend: Lows around 60 mountains to near 70 along the Rio Grande. Highs mid 80s mountains to near 100 along the river.

North Texas - Cooler with chance of rain. West: A chance of rain Wednesday. Otherwise partly cloudy and cooler. Highs in mid 80s. Lows in low 60s. Central: A chance of rain Wednesday and Thursday: Partly cloudy Friday. Cooler through the period. Daytime highs in upper 80s Wednesday and the mid 80s Thursday and Friday. Lows in mid 60s. East: Cooler with a chance of rain each day. Highs in mid 80s. Lows in the 60s.

South Texas - Partly cloudy. Widely scattered mainly afternoon and evening showers or thundershowers Wednesday becoming scattered showers and thundershowers Thursday. Isolated showers or

thunderstorms over the Texas coastal bend and lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains on Friday. Hill Country: Highs in the 90s. Lows in the 70s Wednesday. Near 70 Thursday and in the 60s Friday. South Central: Highs in the 90s. Lows in the 70s Wednesday. Near 70 Thursday and in the 60s Friday. Coastal Bend: Highs in the 90s. Lows from near 80 at the coast to the 70s inland Wednesday and Thursday and in the 70s Friday. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Highs from near 90 coast to near 100 inland. Lows from near 80 at the coast to the 70s inland. Southeast Texas: Highs in the 90s. Lows from near 80 at the coast to the 70s inland Wednesday and Thursday and in the 70s coast to 60s inland Friday. Upper Texas Coast: Highs in the 90s. Lows from near 80 at the coast to the 70s inland Wednesday and Thursday and in the 70s coast to 60s inland Friday.

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Oklahoma - Unseasonably cool through Tuesday with occasional rain and thundershowers. Heavy rain possible, especially south. High 50s Panhandle to low and mid 70s southeast. Low tonight upper 40s Panhandle to mid 60s southeast.

New Mexico - A slight chance of showers with afternoon and evening thundershowers from the central mountain chain eastward otherwise partly cloudy tonight. Tuesday, a slight chance of afternoon and evening thundershowers over the north and east and partly cloudy southwest. Highs through Tuesday from the 60s and 70s over the central mountains and north to the 80s and low 90s elsewhere. Lows tonight from the upper 30s and 40s over the mountains and northeast to the 50s and low 60s south and west.

Teen boy fatally shot in parking lot fight

WEATHERFORD, Texas (AP) - Two suspects have been charged with murder in connection with the death of a 14-year-old boy who was fatally shot in a downtown Weatherford parking lot where teen-agers

meet on weekend nights. Sammy Patterson, an eighth-grader, died Sunday morning at Campbell Memorial Hospital shortly after being shot once with a .410-gauge shotgun, police said.

The two suspects turned themselves in to police, officials said. Philip Alli, 24, of Fort Worth, and David Chambers, 17, of Weatherford each was being held in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

Taiwanese plastics firm in Texas has pollution record

AUSTIN (AP) — A Taiwanese firm that is getting millions in tax breaks and direct subsidies to build a \$1.3 billion plant in Texas has another plant in the state that has a record marked with fines and non-compliance notices.

Texas beat out Louisiana in getting the Formosa Plastics Corp. to build its second plant in the state — in Point Comfort about 100 miles southwest of Houston.

To lure the company, Democratic and Republican legislative leaders agreed to phase out some sales taxes, dedicate state money and support tax abatements. The result is \$225 million in tax breaks and direct subsidies.

State political leaders cheered the announcement last fall by Formosa Chairman Y.C. Wang, citing the economic benefits of the new plant.

But nothing was said about how the company has fouled parts of its island homeland, Texas and Louisiana, the *Houston Chronicle* reported Sunday.

In Taiwan, Wang faced an angry crowd of farmers who protested his expansion plans there because of environmental problems.

And in Louisiana, Formosa's plant is one of 205 nationwide where the Environmental Protection Agency calculated the cancer risk as greatest: 1 in 100. Formosa's other choice was a southern Louisiana parish

where air already was too polluted — partly from Formosa's current discharge — for the plant to expand.

An EPA consultant's report found reason to believe that in Texas, Formosa has put cancer-causing and toxic materials into Cox Creek, which runs directly into Lavaca Bay and feeds the Matagorda Bay system, which produces 8 million pounds of commercial seafood and \$120 million in recreational fishing each year.

Texas negotiators say the only environmental issue raised was how fast state and federal authorities could expedite Formosa's discharge permits, the *Chronicle* said.

"That's usually the case," said Willie Fontenot, an environmental coordinator with the Louisiana Attorney General's Office. "You don't think about all those things when something like this is up. You just see the dollar sign. You can't put groundwater in the bank, but you can put \$1.7 billion in a bank and it goes a long way."

Doug Lynch, coordinator of the Texas Formosa campaign as the director of Calhoun County Economic Development Corp., said county people were lured by growth.

"There's always concern with the environment. Sometimes it may be subordinated to other concerns," Lynch said. The county, with 16 percent unemployment at the time, badly needed Formosa, he added.

Formosa Vice President Larry Peyton said Texans are not trading environmental concerns for jobs.

"We are concerned citizens. We share the water, the air and the land," Peyton said. "There's a lot of different ways of looking at a record. We'll never say we're perfect. We don't like any non-compliance. Our target is to have zero non-compliance."

In Texas and Louisiana, the company uses hydrocarbons, caustic and chlorine to produce ethylene dichloride, a chemical EPA says is "extremely toxic and has been shown to cause cancer in laboratory animals by the National Cancer Institute." It also can cause genetic, liver and kidney damage and blood clots.

From ethylene dichloride, the company makes vinyl chloride monomer, a carcinogen that is one of only seven chemicals for which there are specific EPA air emission standards.

The new plant in Texas will make 1.2 billion pounds of ethylene dichloride a year but no vinyl chloride, according to state permit requests.

The Texas Air Control Board has recommended

approval of Formosa's permit. The Texas Water Commission has yet to evaluate its wastewater discharge permit request.

Formosa is not new to Texas regulators. At Point Comfort, it has operated a plant for nearly 10 years with a record marked by fines, non-compliance notices and a finding that its procedures contribute to its pollution problem.

Texas fined the company \$66,000 in October 1985 for air quality violations. Administrative penalties were assessed in 1986, 1987 and 1988. Enforcement action is pending for toxic discharges this year.

The Texas Water Commission ordered Formosa to appear June 14 to explain why daily permit limits were exceeded for 27 months, from January 1987 through March 1989.

A.T. Kearney Co., an EPA consultant hired to examine the facility, found in October 1988, before the announcement of the new plant, that several spills had caused the release of chromate and ethylene dichloride into Cox Creek.

Vice President Peyton said he was not familiar with the findings of the consultant's report. But he asserted that process control and housekeeping habits had not created hazardous waste problems.



(AP Laserphoto)

Texas Racing Commissioners Glenn Blodgett, seated, and Hugh A. Fitzsimmons Jr. listen to testimony given by the Houston Turf Club.

Group seeks grocers' help against pesticides

By H. JOSEF HEBERT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Environmentalists want to enlist grocery chains as allies in their fight against pesticides on foods, but the campaign is showing only limited success and meeting stiff resistance from the largest retailers.

One environmental group, the National Toxics Campaign, today is announcing it has signed up a half-dozen grocery chains in a pledge to shift growers away from using pesticides, especially cancer-causing chemicals.

Environmentalists called the agreement a major breakthrough, although it amounted to little more than a general pledge to work toward elimination of pesticide use.

"This is the beginning of a national campaign," said Craig Merrilees of the National Toxics Campaign, calling the pact a "first of a kind ... dramatic breakthrough" for the environmental movement.

The participants represent fewer than 200 stores in the United States and are firms primarily in California and Arizona that have broken ranks before with their industry colleagues on the pesticide issue.

Even before the announcement, the grocery industry made plans for a counterattack. It scheduled its own news conference to accuse the environmentalists of "more scare tactics," according to Karen Brown of the National Food Institute.

"We don't think it's our job to play the role of government or science," said Ms. Brown, whose group represents 1,500 grocery companies including the country's 100 largest chains.

Pesticide use has received heavy

attention following the uproar earlier this year over the pesticide Alar, which ultimately was pulled off the U.S. market by its manufacturer after sales of apple products plummeted. Last week the manufacturers of the fungicide EBDC said they were taking it off the market for use on a number of crops because tests showed a higher-than-acceptable cancer risk.

In the agreement reached with the environmentalists, the grocers pledge to "request" growers to disclose what pesticides were used on produce; to "actively encourage" the phase-out of cancer-causing chemicals on produce by 1995; and to "whenever economically feasible ... carry certified organic produce and produce certified to contain no detected pesticide residues."

But the pledge omits stronger provisions once sought by some environmentalists, such as demands that grocers post pesticide content of fruits and vegetables in stores or demand immediate curbs on pesticide use.

There are scant signs that the pledge sought by the National Toxics Campaign is finding many converts among the nation's grocers. Merrilees conceded there remains outright hostility from industry trade groups.

The Food Institute recently wrote to its members urging them not to participate in the National Toxics Campaign agreement, Merrilees said.

Among those signing the agreement with the National Toxics Campaign are several sizeable local chains such as Raley's with 55 stores in the Sacramento, Calif., area and Abco Supermarkets with about 60 stores in Arizona.

Nuke plant trial resumes

STEPHENVILLE (AP) — A federal judge today is scheduled to reconvene the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's case against a worker fired from his job at Comanche Peak nuclear power plant.

But Joseph Macktal, the former worker, has asked Judge David Belew in Fort Worth to dismiss the suit that seeks to compel him to testify about safety allegations at the plant, the *Stephenville Empire-Tribune* reported Sunday in a copyright story.

Macktal filed a brief Friday in U.S. District Court that alleges collusion on the part of the NRC and Texas Utilities Electric Co., the utility that is building the plant, in trying to hide safety violations.

The agency filed suit in an attempt to enforce a subpoena against Macktal for what the former electrical foreman knows about safety problems at the plant.

Located about 45 miles southwest of Dallas, Comanche Peak was conceived in 1972 and estimated to be finished in 1980, at a cost of \$779 million. It is scheduled to be licensed for operation next month, and Texas Utilities now places the plant's construction cost at \$9.1 billion.

Macktal claims he can document several violations of procedure and installation of electrical equipment at Comanche Peak that could endanger the public whenever the plant comes on line.

Racing Commission denies Houston applications

AUSTIN (AP) — Representatives for two groups trying to secure a license for a major thoroughbred racetrack in the Houston area pondered their next steps after the Texas Racing Commission denied their applications for a license.

After a three-day hearing, the Houston Turf Club and Houston Downs were denied late Sunday afternoon in their bid to attain a license, putting plans for the state's first major horse racing track on hold indefinitely.

The Houston groups can appeal the commission's decision within 20 days, but Houston Turf Club President Kirwin Drouet said his group would consult with attorneys before deciding on a course of action.

And Fred Nahas, president of Houston Downs, said, "We're disappointed, but we'll try again. We still think we can be the ones to bring first-class racing to Houston."

The commission could reopen the application process for a Class 1 license in the Houston area. Assis-

tant Attorney General Bill Conover, who participated in the hearings on behalf of the commission, said the earliest that could be done would be January 1990.

Commissioners said the primary reasons for denying the license were their doubts about funding for the facilities and safety in the design.

"I think we have to remember that this is a Class 1 track and we need to have a Class 1 effort," Commissioner Jack Roberts said before the vote was taken.

Larry Stephenson, a principal investor in the Houston Turf Club, indicated his group was unclear about the commission's requirements.

"We wish we would have had a little more insight as to what their expectations were," he said.

Both groups had planned to begin racing in 1991, but the commission's decision probably signals that major thoroughbred racing will be delayed even longer, a thought that wasn't popular in some racing

circles.

Ladona Hudson, executive director of the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association of Texas, said the state can't wait another two years for a major track.

"This could have been a turning point for the thoroughbred industry," she told the *Houston Chronicle*. "So many people view a Class 1 track as a place to race. They're tired of having to haul their horses across the river to Louisiana, Arkansas or Oklahoma to race."

The groups were the only applicants for the lone Class 1 license in the Houston area, which was the only license for such a large, Kentucky Derby-style track being sought in the state.

Class 1 tracks also may be constructed in the San Antonio and Dallas-Fort Worth areas, but no one has applied for the license in those areas. Racing interests in those areas have said the state's plan to take 5 percent of each dollar wagered is too high for big tracks to be prof-

itable.

Joe Straus Jr., who wants to build a major track in San Antonio, hailed the decisions as being in the best interest of Texas racing.

"People in Texas have waited a long time and it won't hurt to wait a few more months," he said.

Susan Baittie, chief veterinarian for the commission, testified at the hearing that the facilities for the proposed Houston Turf Club were too confined and "barely adequate."

"I do feel that the layout of some of their test barns ... are much too small to ensure safety for horses and handlers," she said. "I would have liked to have seen things done differently."

Ms. Baittie testified that Stephenson contacted her about the Turf Club's concerns over meeting the commission's standards, but she told him she could not help them with specifics.

Roberts restated the commission's criticism of the Houston Downs group for its presentation.

Dress code making comeback in schools

DALLAS (AP) — It may be as outdated an idea as last year's fashions, but the dress code is making a comeback at some Texas public schools, sending students scrambling for the right clothes.

The codes have prompted challenges, including walkouts and protests, by some students and freethinking parents.

Emblems or writings associated with drugs, tobacco, alcohol or devil worship are banned by many districts at the recommendation of the Texas Association of School Boards. At most schools, earrings for males are outlawed.

"More and more school districts are choosing the more conservative route because all of us are seeking some form of government that brings back discipline and allows us to teach again," Ed Parker, assistant superintendent of the Duncanville school district, said.

At one Dallas area school district, officials are even studying the possibility of requiring students to wear similar colors or uniforms, a trend

followed by several institutions across the country in recent years.

The dress codes are reminiscent of the 1960s, when teachers measured a boy's hair against his collar and tested skirt lengths by asking girls to kneel. But administrators cite the need for classroom decorum in an era of longer hair styles and higher hemlines.

Dress codes have met with resistance at some Texas schools.

Two brothers at the Spring Branch school district in Houston who refuse to cut their shoulder-length hair vow to spend a second year out of class unless administrators change a policy barring the long locks.

A group of DeSoto High School students walked out of class last week and held a protest after administrators asked them to change their T-shirts, which bear the name and skeletal emblems of a local heavy metal rock band.

"Every day that passes, I feel like I'm back in the '50s," Leanne Katz, executive director of the

National Coalition Against Censorship, said. "It's very regrettable when educators fail to see that kids have rights and that breathing down their necks about ways they should be able to express themselves is not a way of encouraging real education."

This summer, the Garland school district banned earrings for all male students. A middle school student last year asked the school board to allow him to wear an earring after a principal told him to take it off.

However, trustees upheld the administrator's decision.

"Fads come and go," said Jason Thompson, student body president at Allen High School, who helped write a new dress policy that puts limits on length of hair, skirts and shorts but allows boys to wear one stud earring.

"Last year, when stud earrings were allowed for the first time, almost everyone went out and got his ear pierced. But now you don't see earrings that much."

Recanted testimony creates conviction doubts

GROVETON (AP) — Attorneys have taken up the case of a Texas death row inmate they say was wrongly convicted in the 1984 slayings of three Trinity County family members.

Prosecutors admit they have no physical evidence linking James Lee Beathard, 31, to the crimes, which occurred Oct. 9, 1984 in a house trailer in the pine forest northwest of Groveton. But they had the testimony of another man charged in the crime, Gene Wilford Hathorn Jr.

Then, one year after he was found guilty of capital murder and sentenced to die, Hathorn recanted his earlier testimony, saying he alone killed the three.

"We're horrified by this case.

This is about as good a scenario for justice not being done as you can think of," said Eden Harrington, an attorney with the Texas Resource Center, an organization connected with the University of Texas School of Law in Austin.

Saying the killings stemmed from a longstanding hatred of his father, Hathorn confessed and originally claimed Beathard helped him.

The bodies of Gene Hathorn Sr., 45, and his wife, Linda Sue Hathorn, 34, were discovered on the living room carpet of their trailer home. The body of their younger son, Marcus, 14, was on the floor of a bathroom just feet away.

The victims were Hathorn's father, stepmother and stepbrother.

Each had been shot several times. Three weapons were used.

In December 1986, a state district judge who said he didn't believe the recantation rejected Beathard's request for a new trial. His attorneys say they'll pursue the case because of questions about Beathard's guilt.

Trinity County Sheriff Kenneth Moore, who led the investigation, said the two men committed the

murders together.

"I'll tell you right now, Beathard is a killer," Moore told *The Dallas Morning News*. "I've thought about it night after night, day after day, and there's just no other way it could've happened."

Beathard says it may be hard now to find the truth in the case.

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Opinion

Soviets seem to be a little tamer now

Across the world, people continue struggling to free themselves from communism's yoke. Poland, Hungary, the Baltic republics, China, Cambodia, Afghanistan, Nicaragua, even Russia — the list grows. Communism as an ideology and political system is taken seriously today, it seems, only on American university campuses where the remnants of the 1960s activism have acquired tenured faculty posts and can seal themselves off from reality.

But we should not forget how truly horrific communism continues to be. To do so would risk succumbing to communism on some morrow, as memories fade and delusions return. We must remember the horrors, that we repeat them never again.

One thing we should burn into our memories is the 1939 Soviet-Nazi "non-aggression" pact, signed 50 years ago, that led to the invasion of Poland, which sparked World War II. In those days, the tide of totalitarianism seemed to be sweeping across the world.

What suffering the world has endured since then. Even the peace of 1945 brought the Cold War of the next decades. Far from liberating the areas conquered by the Nazis and Japanese, the armistice only allowed communism to spread across the lands once occupied by Hitler, Mussolini and Tojo.

But the human spirit remains indomitable. Through the darkest years, we now know, the oppressed peoples nursed hopes of independence and freedom, as one blade of grass can rise through a crack of concrete. In recent years, whole fields of grass have shot through to the light.

Even the Soviet regime, which yet maintains the world's largest military force, seems to be undermining its own credibility and legitimacy. It finally has condemned the Soviet-Nazi pact, though not yet completely rejecting its "authority" over the Baltic states. And it seems to be leaving the Poles and Hungarians on their own to pull away.

An interesting footnote of history is that, of all the regimes Hitler once was allied with, all have been either toppled or converted to democracies but one: the Soviet Union. As such, the regime in the Kremlin, even as it begins some halting reforms, remains an anachronism, a throw-back to the days of the "wolf packs."

The regime's potential for mischief remains immense and should not be underestimated. Yet its transformation to something tamer seems to be near. If or when that happens, the horrible chain of events set in motion 50 years ago will finally have ended. May the hundreds of millions who suffered and died rest in peace.

It can be very good indeed

SCRABBLE, Va. — If these are the dog days of summer, let us have more of them. Here in the Blue Ridge Mountains, they recently have been perfect days — sea blue skies with spinnaker clouds, nothing much to do around the farm, a Labor Day time with no labor.

To be sure, others are toiling away. My wife is in the kitchen, up to her elbows in tomatoes; she is making spaghetti sauce for the winter. Across the ravine, up in the high meadow, Jimmy Falls is spinning fresh-cut hay into windrows; his big red tractor crawls in steady laps across the field.

After a while a man is coming to varnish the deck. A bumblebee, big as a blimp, is hovering over a patch of clover. Your correspondent has been sitting on a bench outside the office, thinking about a book to take to a desert island. This is no labor at all.

The desert island reveries are prompted by a piece in a recent *Wall Street Journal*. It had to do with a popular radio show in England, in which guests are invited to identify their desert island wishes. They may take to the island eight recordings, one book and one luxury item they simply could not live without.

This is obviously an unusual desert island, for it comes with a library stocked with standard reference works, a Bible, the complete works of Shakespeare and so on. This is to prevent sensible guests from choosing as their one volume the Boy Scout manual. It is all veddy British, and it has the sound of good fun.

What recordings to take? Your faithful servant, sitting on the bench, has been using his foot to scratch Happy's back. Happy is the 10-year-old Shetland, the small successor to a long line of col-



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lies that grew to size extra-large. She sleeps most of the time, and she has no interest in playing the desert island game.

My own first choice: the slow movement of Rachmaninoff's second piano concerto. That leaves seven.

What else? Barbra Streisand singing "People." The Marine Corps band playing "The Stars and Stripes Forever." A little Verdi. A touch of Tchaikovsky. Some Mozart. One Willie Nelson. How do the British hold their list to eight?

As for a book — one book only — the mind boggles. Macaulay's essays? Whittaker Chambers' *Witness*? Dickens' *Tale of Two Cities*? To name the one luxury is no problem: an automatic icemaker. We must assume that an island equipped with a stereo set and two encyclopedias comes well supplied with something to pour over the ice.

Happy trots off. Enough of back scratching! This has been a good summer. After two dry years in a row, when the gardens baked as brown as pie crusts, we finally had an abundance of rain.

The cucumbers produced in profligate bushels. We had onions the size of softballs. Black-eyed

peas, string beans, lima beans, cantaloupes, peppers, eggplant, three varieties of tomatoes — we couldn't give the stuff away. Everything went lushly mad.

Now the spree is over. The cucumber plants are in rags and tatters. Only two cantaloupes remain on the vines. In the zucchini bed, concealed by big leaves, is the last and greatest zucchini of them all, Big Bertha, 32 inches long and as big around as a soccer ball. Morning glories have taken over the pea patch. The lawns, still green, are going slowly back to seed.

All around us are the signs of the fall. The gum trees are turning already; they are dropping little scarves of old batiks. The oaks are shedding acorns. In a drowsy haze the mountains slumber.

Out in the cutting garden, the pink and blue asters still have their heads up; they might have been drawn by grandchildren with Crayolas. The plush-red milkweed waits to provide elegance for a Pullman car.

This is a quiet time for wildlife. Rabbits have made a condominium of the woodpile. Our disgruntled squirrels, foiled by Audobon bird-feeders, have abandoned the backyard and gone somewhere else to sulk. A pair of house wrens have taken up residence in a hanging basket of impatiens.

So it goes at summer's end. After a no-labor weekend, there will be chores to do: kindling to cut, fire logs to stack, garden tools to put away. The daylight hours dwindle and the nights grow cool. It won't be long before a pumpkin moon rises over Red Oak Mountain and the roadside stands sell local cider.

Country living has its drawbacks, but at its best country living can be very good indeed.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Sept. 11, the 254th day of 1989. There are 111 days left in the year.

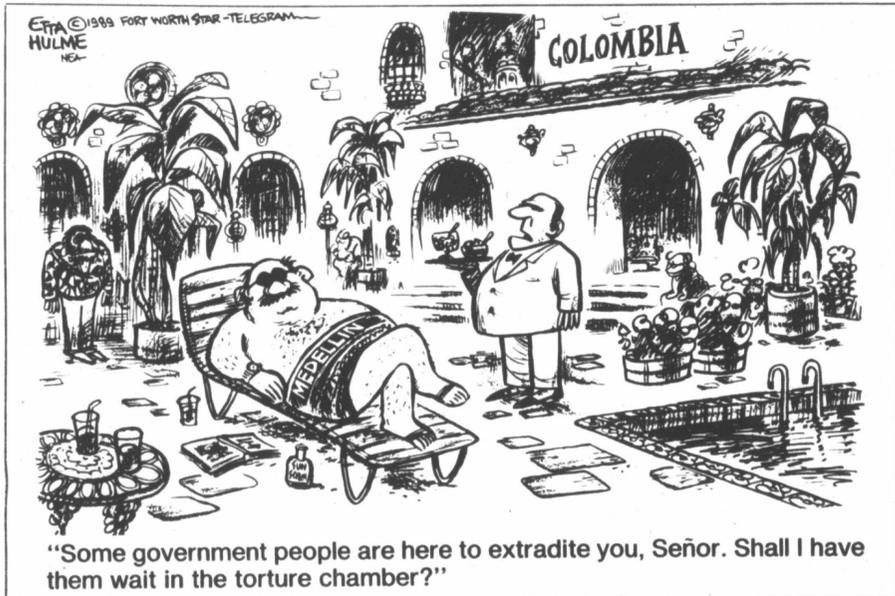
Today's highlight in history: Two hundred years ago, on Sept. 11, 1789, Alexander Hamilton was appointed the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury.

On this date: In 1777, during the American Revolution, forces under Gen. George Washington suffered defeat at the hands of the British in the Battle of Brandywine near Wilmington, Del.

In 1814, an American fleet scored a decisive victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Champlain in the War of 1812.

In 1885, author D.H. Lawrence was born in Eastwood, England.

In 1936, President Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicated Boulder Dam — now known as Hoover Dam — by pressing a key in Washington to signal the startup of the dam's first hydroelectric generator in Nevada.



We still can lead by example

For 150 years we Americans led the world. From 1789 until World War II, everybody else in the world was going our way.

The French threw off the yoke of their decadent aristocracy. England initiated sweeping democratic reforms. Following our example, Mexico, Central America and South America freed themselves from Spain.

How come? We hadn't sent them any guns, any butter or any money. What we had done was to be such a splendid example that we were a lighthouse for the world.

Is it possible we could be that again? Over the past half-century much of the world drifted into the embrace of the Socialists until it began to suffocate. Now those nations are "coming home." Even the Soviets are backing away from communism in favor of a capitalist social order.

Vietnam is trying similar reforms. Afghanistan, Mongolia and the Philippines are striving toward our kind of freedom. Even Marxist-led Nicaragua has agreed to free elections by February 1990.

Granted, Marxism is not dead. Indeed it is ominously militant in our own home hemisphere: Peru, Colombia, Chile. But communism — certainly Sovi-



Paul Harvey

et-style communism — has failed utterly in Africa. In the Middle East the only professed Marxist state left is South Yemen.

Experience has demonstrated that communism doesn't work. Our system does work.

In their own enlightened self-interest, much of the rest of the world is seeking to emulate us.

George Orwell wrote many note worthy essays. Perhaps the best of them is called "Shooting an Elephant" in which he detailed his experience as a minor colonial official of the British government in Burma.

One afternoon excited natives came running up to his thatched hut to announce that "an elephant had trampled its master to death."

Orwell's responsibility was plain. As emissary of the queen, he had to shoot the elephant.

George Orwell did not want to shoot the elephant. In the first place, alive the great work beast was worth perhaps a hundred pounds; dead its tusks would be worth less than five pounds.

But more than this, a sensitive man never likes to kill an animal. And somehow when it is a large animal it is more difficult.

But the excited natives converged to run along beside him — watching — waiting for some show of weakness on the part of the white man so that they might laugh and jeer at him. (And that always has been the white man's greatest challenge in Asia, keeping from being laughed at...)

Suddenly Orwell knew what he must do. He must shoot the elephant. Not because he wanted to — but because it was expected of him.

In that awful instant George Orwell realized what colonialism really implies — that when one man seeks to rule another it is his own freedom he destroys; for he must do then not what he wants but what is expected of him.

What I'm saying is that, then and now, we can lead effectively only by example.

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U.S. needs to tell Pol Pot where to go

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Americans can be forgiven for paying little attention to what's going on in, and about, Cambodia.

It is nearly as far away from the United States as a country can get, and its political problems are complicated even by Oriental standards. Yet it deserves not to be overlooked altogether, for events there tell us some important things about the positions of various of the world's four major powers.

North Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1978, shortly after it consolidated its control of neighboring South Vietnam. The Vietnamese installed their own puppet regime in Phnom Penh, under a Cambodian communist named Hun Sen. China, which actively dislikes Vietnam for being a Soviet client state, refused to recognize the puppet government and threw its own military and political support behind the rival group of Cambodian communists that Vietnam had ousted, the Khmer Rouge.

Now, the trouble with the Khmer Rouge is that it is headed by Pol Pot, who in the mid 1970s earned an unenviable place in history by engineering the deliberate slaughter of between one and two million of his six million fellow countrymen — in proportional terms probably the highest score ever achieved by anyone. Pol Pot should of course be ostracized by any government with a decent regard for humankind.

That, of course, doesn't include the Red Chinese. But it is a dismaying fact that the United States, while giving its own support to a smaller pro-democratic force headed by one Son Sann, has for years countenanced a de facto alliance between Son Sann and Pol Pot against Vietnam's puppet, Hun Sen.

There is, in addition, a fourth player in the Cambodian game: Prince Norodom Sihanouk, a wily former head of state of whom it is only safe to say that he is for Sihanouk. He is, however, still highly regarded by many Cambodians, and

has military forces loyal to him personally. He has been, off and on, another member of the coalition trying to oust Hun Sen.

That was the state of play until June 1988, when Reagan and Gorbachev, at their Moscow summit meeting, appear to have reached a broad agreement (never publicly announced) that the Soviet Union would end its adventurism in southern Africa, southeastern Asia and perhaps elsewhere.

So far as concerns Cambodia, the first fruit of this agreement was an announcement by Vietnam that it would begin a phased withdrawal of its troops from Cambodia — a process now scheduled to be completed by Sept. 27. Concurrently, the four contending factions opened negotiations in Paris, looking to the establishment of a government in Phnom Penh to replace the Hun Sen regime.

The thought was that Prince Sihanouk (who has carefully kept on good terms with Peking) would head it, with Son Sann's support and par-

ticipation and perhaps even Hun Sen's. The United States had the good taste to insist that Pol Pot and his Khmer Rouge must not have a role in the new government. But here we seem to have been undercut by Sihanouk, who apparently wants the Khmer Rouge included at least in the interim regime that will be set up to prepare for elections. To this, Hun Sen is adamantly opposed — thereby getting morally upwind of Washington.

The Paris talks have now collapsed. The plan is that the various factions will spend the next six months trying to kill each other's troops on the ground in Cambodia, after which they can foregather again in Paris in the spring and see where things stand.

The villain in this whole piece is China, which continues to back Pol Pot. And the Weak Willy is the United States, which still hangs back from telling Pol Pot where he ought to go: to hell.

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Medellin cocaine smuggling trial gets under way in Florida

By RON WORD
Associated Press Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — A 15-year saga of cocaine smuggling by Colombia's violent Medellin cartel will be told by witnesses in the "Son of Leher" trial.

However, some major defendants for this week's trial were missing. Among them: cartel leaders Pablo Escobar Gaviria, Jose Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha, Jorge Ochoa Vasquez and Fabio Ochoa Vasquez. They are on the list of the U.S. government's most wanted Colombian drug kingpins but remain at large in their homeland.

Others indicted but not here to face charges are U.S. financier Robert Vesco, who lives in Cuba, and Everette Bannister, an associate of Bahamian Prime Minister

Lynden O. Pindling.

Jury selection was scheduled to begin today in U.S. District Court.

The case grew out of testimony from Carlos Lehder Rivas' cocaine-smuggling trial, which lasted 71/2 months and saw witnesses implicate others in a conspiracy that the government says began in 1974 and continued until this year.

Lehder, 40, believed to have been one of the leaders and architects of the Medellin cartel, was convicted in May 1988 of operating a continuing criminal enterprise and was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole. He is being held in isolation at the federal prison in Marion, Ill.

Lehder was convicted of operating a cocaine-smuggling operation that used the Bahamian island of Norman's Cay as an "aircraft carrier" to fly 20 tons of

cocaine into the United States from Colombia from 1978 to 1981.

The indictment charges that in October 1984, Lehder sent a messenger from Nicaragua to Cuba asking Vesco to use his influence in Cuba to arrange for Lehder's aircraft to fly over Cuba on smuggling runs from Nicaragua to Andros Island in the Bahamas.

A few days later, Vesco supplied Lehder's messenger with a document approving the cocaine overflights.

Vesco, who was indicted on one count alleging he conspired to import cocaine, is believed to have lived in Cuba since 1982. He has been wanted in the United States since 1973 on charges of looting an investment firm of \$224 million.

Also at large was Bannister, a Nassau resident accused of taking money from the cartel to allow the Bahamas to be used as a way station for drug imports.

Facing trial today are Jack Carlton Reed, 58, who was convicted with Lehder on one conspiracy count and sentenced to 15 years in prison; Thomas Howard Herington, 35, of Mill Valley, Calif.; attorney Barry Kane, 52, of Hyannis, Mass.; and Fort Lauderdale; Donald Kenneth Lady, 41, of Pomona, Calif., and Samuel Thomas Stewart, 53, of Anaheim, Calif.

If convicted, they could be sentenced to prison terms of 10 years to life.

Lehder's former wife, Yemel Nacel, 34, of New York City, and nine others have pleaded guilty to conspiracy charges and are among the 98 people on the government's witness list.

Prosecutors expected the trial to last two months. The Medellin cartel is described as the world's largest illegal cocaine operation. It is believed to supply 80 percent of the cocaine sold in the United States.

Bennett denies planned use of soldiers in war on drugs in Colombia

By BRYAN BRUMLEY
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A secret directive signed by President Bush could expand the U.S. military role in the war on drugs, but a top aide says the plan does not call for sending American troops into combat.

Bush sent security advisers to Colombia as part of a \$65 million package designed to help that nation fight cocaine, and he said last Tuesday that an additional \$261 million in security aid could go to Colombia, Peru and Bolivia for the drug war.

Drug czar William J. Bennett said in a televised interview Sunday that Bush is willing to send Special Forces advisers to the Andean nations.

"There is no plan for any Special Forces to accompany troops in Peru or Bolivia into combat missions," Bennett said in the ABC-TV program *This Week with David Brinkley*.

"That is not in the plan. ... There is no such plan," Bennett said.

As part of his anti-drug efforts, Bush signed a National Security Decision Directive outlining the goals and limits of military involvement, said another administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Over the next two weeks, government agencies will flesh out details of that classified program and decide how to allocate the \$261 million in extra aid, the source said.

Bennett said "we see now in Colombia the presence of American trainers working with the Colombians, giving them advice, training them on equipment. This is the kind of thing we would anticipate if Peru

and Bolivia take the steps."

Meanwhile, drug enforcement administrator John Lawn said Sunday that the Bush administration is reconsidering whether to ban the sale of assault weapons produced in the United States.

The administration has banned the import of assault rifles, but President Bush has said he opposes a ban on domestic assault weapons.

Lawn, appearing on CBS' *Face the Nation*, was asked about Colombia's request that the United States stem the flow of U.S.-made assault weapons to that country.

"We must look now at our own procedures here in the United States," Lawn said. "...I believe it is something that is under review, and certainly citizens feel very strongly about the gun issue ... We in the law enforcement community feel very strongly when we're out there on the firing line, and our view isn't always necessarily the view of our leaders."

About two dozen members of the U.S. Special Forces based in Panama have been rotating into Bolivia's Chapare Valley, training anti-narcotics police there, but they have been barred from patrols.

The *Washington Post*, in its Sunday editions, said the directive would allow the advisers to accompany Bolivian drug forces on patrol. However, the administration source said that "the military is not allowed to go out into the jungle on patrol. That is the way it has been and the way it remains."

The *Post* report quoted an unidentified senior administration official as saying that "several hundred" U.S. military advisers could be sent to the three nations under the "Andean initiative" announced by Bush.

Elderly woman hopes to stop effort to evict her from home

By LARRY ROSENTHAL
Associated Press Writer

MILFORD, Conn. (AP) — A feisty 72-year-old woman who has lived on the proposed site of a state park for nearly two decades is hoping to stop an attempt to evict her by appealing to a judge's sense of fair play.

Eighteen years ago, Doris Gagnon was forced to abandon her cottage a few hundred yards away so the state could raze it and other beachside residences to make way for a park.

But the proposed 300-acre park along Long Island Sound is yet to take shape.

Although the state this month received an Army Corps of Engineers permit to seal a long-closed landfill on the property, state officials said last week a master plan for the park remains uncompleted.

"The test of whether she is ultimately going to win or lose depends on how good a human being we happen to get in the judge who is ultimately assigned to the case," said her attorney, John R. Williams. "The basic core of our defense is that what they are doing is unfair."

State officials say they take no pleasure in seeking to evict Gagnon but have a responsibility to protect public land and provide more recreational opportunities for the public along Long Island Sound.

Gagnon's homestead lies about 100 feet from shore, on a sandy plot hidden on three sides by tall marsh grass. She lives in a dilapidated 18-foot camper and shacks with no running water or telephone. Chicken-

wire fencing surrounds the property, where cats, dogs, chickens, geese and ducks also stay.

Her lawyer has asked for an injunction that would enable Gagnon to remain in her home at least five more years.

"The state has no real pressing need for that land Doris is living on," Williams said. "Doris has a critical need for it. I think her life would be so profoundly changed it would probably be shortened if she were thrown off it."

In November, authorities served notice on Gagnon that they wanted her off the land. The first court hearing is scheduled for Wednesday in Superior Court in Derby, when the state will seek to have Gagnon's counterclaims and several so-called special defenses dismissed.

"This is not a fun thing. We obviously are getting a lot of static but it is something that has to be done. It probably should have been done many years ago," says William Delaney, a spokesman for the state Department of Environmental Protection.

The state finally moved to force Gagnon from her property because of a complaint filed by the Milford Health Department after its inspectors discovered bags of sewage piled up behind her living quarters.

Gagnon spends much time visiting friends, who let her shower at their homes and use other amenities. She was not home during a visit to her compound this weekend. A large plywood sign was posted, however, telling her supporters of the time and location of her hearing.

Get well wishes



Former President Ronald Reagan and his wife Nancy read some of the get-well cards that he received at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., Sunday. Reagan underwent surgery Friday to remove fluid from his brain resulting from a clot he received when he fell off a horse during a ride on July 4. Doctors reported Reagan is in excellent condition.

World Bank offers ecology loans

By LARRY THORSON
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO (AP) — The World Bank, long criticized for funding environmentally damaging projects, today announced increased lending to population-control projects and forestry development to help combat global atmospheric warming.

Bank President Barber Conable told a conference on the environment that the bank "is committed to environmental issues and, what is more, this commitment does not detract at all from our primary mission of global development."

The American president of the leading institution for funding Third World development spoke at the opening of a conference called to address how to raise living standards in poor countries while preserving the environment.

Sponsored by the Japanese government and the United Nations Environment Program, the conference has drawn dozens of officials and experts from many countries and international organizations.

At the end of the conference Wednesday they are expected to issue recommendations on ways to combat the main problem on the agenda: global warming. Scientists

warn that the so-called "Greenhouse Effect" could scorch parts of the Earth and raise sea levels unless checked.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, whose country is under environmentalists' attack as the biggest importer of tropical forest products, pledged increased assistance to research on sustainable development of tropical forests.

Kaifu, welcoming the conferees, said Japan intends to raise its foreign environmental aid to \$2.25 billion in three years.

"Japan is ready to take on global environmental issues with positive vigor," he said.

Conable said the world's population, currently about 5 billion, will grow to 6 billion by the year 2000, adding to the use of fossil fuels that is blamed for the greenhouse effect and atmospheric warming.

He announced that the bank is establishing a Gas Development Unit to promote use of natural gas because it is the least polluting of fossil fuels.

"I am also pleased to announce a tripling of our lending to forestry in the next few years," Conable said.

On population-control projects, he said lending has amounted to over \$500 million in the last five

years, and that level will increase to over \$800 million in the 1990-92 period.

Mostafa K. Tolba, executive director of the United Nations Environment Program, said depletion of the ozone layer, caused by chlorofluorocarbons and other chemicals, was increasing skin cancer and eye cataracts.

"The human immunity system may be weakening. Agricultural patterns may be impacted, and marine food chains affected," he told delegates.

Tolba called for "full partnership in all countries" to phase out all ozone-destroying chemicals and said he was concerned that just 13 of the world's 120 developing countries have ratified the Montreal protocol on those chemicals.

Regarding other "greenhouse gases" such as carbon dioxide, Tolba urged developed countries, which now emit three-fourths of such gases, to decrease energy use and increase energy conservation and efficiency.

"But we have to be quite objective," he went on. "If the industrialized world meets the challenge, the results of its efforts could be completely wiped out if China and India continue to burn their huge reserves of coal. And they will continue to do so unless they are assisted financially and technologically to use alternatives."

151 missing in sinking of cruise ship

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Romanian rescuers searched the Danube River for 151 people missing from a cruise ship that sank after colliding in poor visibility with a tugboat towing barges, news reports said.

Western tourists were likely aboard the Romanian ship Mogoșoaia when it went under Sunday, a British newspaper reported.

Romania's official Agerpres news agency said the collision occurred upstream of the port city of Galati, about 125 miles northeast of the Romanian capital of Bucharest.

The agency said 18 people were rescued from among the passenger ship's 169 passengers and 13 crewmembers. It did not give the nationalities of the passengers.

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Booming San Antonio grapples with budget deficit, layoffs

By KELLEY SHANNON
Associated Press Writer

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — With a soaring tourist trade, ballooning population and shelter from the economic ills of many other large cities, San Antonio has had a lot to brag about.

But while the city boomed, so did its budget, and taxes didn't keep pace. Now San Antonio leaders are grappling with layoffs, budget cuts in the millions of dollars and the possibility of a huge hike in property taxes.

Mayor Lila Cockrell took office in June to find a budget stained by a projected \$31 million in red ink.

She considers it only a temporary setback, but acknowledges, "It really put a different perspective on what we were able to do."

"It was the magnitude of them that took me by surprise."

Mrs. Cockrell, like many others, blames the deficit on a City Council led by flamboyant mayor Henry Cisneros from 1981 to 1989.

Cisneros often is credited for bringing San Antonio a high-tech biosciences research center, Sea World of Texas, Rivercenter Mall and Opryland. He also won voter approval of financing for a \$160 million domed stadium.

But while the Cisneros-led council moved full speed on development, it balked at raising taxes.

"The Council has almost leaned over backwards not to raise taxes,

when they probably should have," said Mrs. Cockrell, a political friend of Cisneros' and his predecessor as mayor in the late 1970s. "I'm sure there was always public pressure not to do it."

City Manager Lou Fox agrees. "The problem is a cumulative effect of not raising taxes incrementally over the last seven or eight years," Fox said. "The council just refused to do it."

In 1981, the city took in \$47.3 million in property taxes. By 1988, that intake had grown to \$106.8 million, largely because property values went up.

But the growth didn't keep up with city spending.

From fiscal 1980 to 1988, the city's day-to-day spending increased from \$140.9 million a year to \$256.7 million, while the city lost some federal funds it had been relying on to make up the difference.

Last year the city raised property taxes 7.5 percent, and now some council members are calling for a 15 percent hike. Some constituents say that large an increase would only prompt a rollback initiative.

Fox said despite the deficit, San Antonio is not in any cash crisis. The city can pay its bills and issue paychecks. It has \$440 million in the bank and \$45 million in a fund to pay off debts, he said.

To bring the books into balance, city budget officials want to cut \$15.4 million out of the proposed \$585.4 million budget for the fiscal



(AP Laserphoto)

Connie Villanueva, with her son Christopher, 2, addresses the San Antonio City Council recently to try to convince them not to cut the budget for child care programs.

1989-90. That would eliminate 500 positions, including 240 permanent jobs.

Linda Chavez-Thompson, executive director of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees No. 2399, said the city is trying to place those workers in other departments.

She said she is most concerned

already the smallest big city police department in the country."

In 1973, he said, San Antonio's ratio of officers to population was 1.6 per 1,000. Now that ratio is 1.69 per 1,000, while the national average is 2.4 per 1,000.

"That is not progress. That is almost going backwards," Flammia said.

City officials and other observers including the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce say the budget crunch wouldn't have been so traumatic had taxes been increased gradually over the years.

"Two or three years ago we should have started raising taxes so it would have been gentle," said Pat Ozuna, co-chair of Communities Organized for Public Service.

Who's to blame?

Staunch anti-tax man C.A. Stubbs, president of the Homeowner-Taxpayer Association of Bexar County, said it's Cisneros.

"I have been telling the people what Henry Cisneros is going to get us into," said Stubbs.

Stubbs says taxpayers would go along with an increase this year as long as it's not above 8 percent.

Always one of Cisneros' biggest critics, the 67-year-old activist blames a "milquetoast" city council and a "tribe" of about a dozen movers and shakers who backed Cisneros' vision.

But many who say taxes should have been handled differently under

Cisneros maintain that shouldn't tarnish his overall record.

"I never have anything bad to say about Henry Cisneros," said the police association's Flammia. "It's not a sleepy little 'ole cowtown anymore."

"There's a tendency to bash the (former) mayor, and I think that's just flat wrong," said Chamber President Joe Krier. "Henry Cisneros is one of the most dynamic mayors this city has ever had ... If there were mistakes made, they were mistakes we all made."

Cisneros, who now heads the Cisneros Group asset management firm, did not return repeated telephone calls from The Associated Press.

In the past he has dismissed budget deficits as nothing new and blamed them on declining property valuations.

Fox likens criticism of Cisneros to jobs at other big-city mayors who have left office only to see financial setbacks shroud their cities. "There's always a tendency to blame the last guy out the door," he said.

Mrs. Cockrell says San Antonio's budget problems are temporary and soon will be overshadowed by economic growth.

"It's one of these things that everybody goes through from time to time," she said. "I think there's no doubt that we'll get this straightened out."



(AP Laserphoto)

Michelle Mehaffy, left, and Carol Flores at their legal aid office in Beaumont.

Women organize legal aid office

By HELEN SOHLINGER
Beaumont Enterprise

BEAUMONT (AP) — In a back office in the Jefferson County Courthouse, two women run a shoestring operation that has helped 182 poor people get the legal help they needed but couldn't afford.

In its first full year of operations, the program set up by Assistant District Attorney Michelle Mehaffy and Carol Flores, executive director of the Jefferson County Bar Association, won the prestigious 1989 State Bar of Texas Pro Bono Award.

Two years ago, the bar association's pro bono, or legal aid, program was inactive. While 68 lawyers were signed up to represent indigent people, no system was in place to screen applicants or refer them to lawyers.

Traditionally, the poor got legal help from East Texas Legal Services Inc., but that agency was hamstrung by budget cuts during a time when a faltering local economy pushed the number of people qualifying for services up to 61,000 from the 33,000 who qualified in 1980.

In spring 1987, Bill Townsley, then president of the county bar association, set up a family law committee on indigency with Mehaffy as chairwoman. But, Mehaffy said, the committee got bogged down in talk.

"Carol and I said, 'This is crazy. Let's just do it ourselves,'" Mehaffy said. The duo asked for and got approval from the bar, developed an application, a screening procedure and an interview format and wrote a letter to the entire bar membership, urging participation. They started taking cases in late October in the third-floor Bar Association offices, at that time with the volunteer help of Beaumont lawyer Susan Hulett.

From October 1987 to March 1989, the number of participating lawyers rose to 106 and now includes some of the county's large firms that previously were reluctant to sign on for pro bono cases.

The program received 292 applications from the beginning of 1988 to date and rejected 50 that did not

qualify. Sixty applicants couldn't be located after acceptance. The other 182 received free legal help. The 1988 budget, financed by the bar association, wasn't extravagant — \$2,202.24 in expenses plus \$8,100 worth of hours for Flores, the only paid staff member.

"When you don't have red tape or any grants or forms to fill out, you can help a lot more people," Mehaffy said. "We made the rules easy. We won't turn down anyone who's eligible. We will refer each case to a lawyer. We will see that each case is finished."

The system is as straightforward as the rules. Flores does the initial screening, then gives the application to Mehaffy, who decides whether to accept the case. To qualify for free legal aid, a person must be a county resident and must fit federal poverty guidelines, a scale based on family size and income. To qualify, a family of four must make no more than \$933 a month. If the applicant is separated from his or her spouse and is seeking help with a divorce, the spouse's income is not considered.

If the applicant qualifies, Flores or Mehaffy contacts a lawyer. Flores said they signed up a lot of lawyers for the program just by making telephone calls. Also, the state and county Young Lawyers Associations put on a family law seminar in May 1988 that was free to any lawyer willing to take two pro bono cases.

"We just started picking on people," Mehaffy joked. "But it's really been easy."

The program has unified a lot of lawyers who didn't previously have much in common, Flores said. "It makes for great cocktail talk," Mehaffy said. "They talk about how mad they are at Carol and me. They get mad, but then they kind of giggle at us. We couldn't do this if it were our job and we were making money at it. The only reason we get away with it is they know we're working on it for free."

But, they both say, the lawyers are the ones who do all the work. They also commended Bar Association President Tom Mulvaney and former presidents Bill Townsley, Hubert Oxford and Melvin Boneau.

Beached baby whale Odie dies Sunday

GALVESTON (AP) — Odie, the 1,200-pound baby sperm whale who washed ashore a week ago, died at Sea-Arama Marineworld where he had received constant care since he beached himself.

The whale, who apparently suffered from a lung infection similar to pneumonia, died Sunday afternoon, said Sea-Arama spokeswoman Christy Benson. The exact cause of death was not known.

"He started blowing blood from his blowhole this morning at about 4 a.m., and he just died that all day," Ms. Benson said Sunday. "At about 1:30 p.m., he died."

Some brownish matter had start-

ed coming out of the whale's blowhole on Saturday, but that turned to blood the next day, she said. Despite that problem, the whale had been swimming around the pool Saturday and continued to digest the special formulas fed to him.

Odie was only about 3 weeks old, Benson said. He was found in the surf Sept. 2 and taken to Sea-Arama the next day after members of the Texas Mammal Stranding Network couldn't find his mother.

At Sea-Arama, he received round-the-clock care from marine workers and a host of volunteers who helped feed him a special lactose-free formula about every four hours.

"The effort by the volunteers has been incredible," she said.

The whale was young enough to nurse and he had not cut his teeth. A sperm whale will nurse for six months after birth.

Officials still don't know why Odie beached himself in the surf west of Sabine Pass, a rarity for sperm whales.

Texas A&M officials took the whale from Sea-Arama on Sunday afternoon for research, Ms. Benson said. The university's marine biology department is in Galveston.

University researchers may be able to determine what caused Odie's death, she added.

Hammer heists puzzle authorities

ARLINGTON (AP) — Authorities in Arlington and San Antonio are conferring about possible connections in three jewel heists in which robbers used sledgehammers to smash display cases and steal precious stones, police said.

In what police described as an efficient heist, four men armed with pistols took more than \$150,000 in gems, including diamonds, and watches from Haltom's Jewelers Saturday morning in Arlington.

Earlier in the week, thieves carrying sledgehammers struck two San Antonio jewelers.

Two men entered Foley's at Rivercenter Mall during shopping hours on Tuesday and made off with \$600,000 in gems.

In a "copycat" crime, one man walked into Footwear Place on Wednesday, went to a leased-out jewelry concession, broke two panes of display-case glass and made off with \$20,000 in jewelry, San Antonio police said.

The Arlington heist was the only one of the three in which robbers threatened anybody, police said.

"It was horrible," said one store employee who asked not to be identified. "I thought we were all going to die."

He said one man pointed a gun at an employee in the middle of the store and forced her, two other workers and a customer onto the floor.

Meanwhile, two other men used sledgehammers to smash eight of the store's 13 glass display cases. Following them, a fourth man emptied the jewelry into pillowcases.

"They smashed up the expensive cases," said another employee who declined to give his name. "They didn't take the less expensive stuff, just the Rolex (watches) and the big diamond pieces."

Each of the stolen watches costs \$14,000 and the bandits took a case of them, said the worker, who witnessed the heist.

"It appears to have been a very well-planned robbery," Arlington police spokesman Dee Anderson said.

Police said none of the men wore a mask or gloves and one apparently cut himself on broken glass.

The robbery began about 10:30 a.m. when a well-groomed man went to an electronic security door at the store and was allowed in by employees. Officers said the man then held the door open for three other men.

The door, the only customer entrance, automatically locks when it is shut.

Police said the first San Antonio robbery was also well-planned.

"They cased the place. They knew what they were doing," San Antonio police Capt. Jimmy Kopeck said.

Detective Joe Oosterveen said two men entered the jewelry store and one began striking the case with a 14-inch sledgehammer.

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Integrating the special needs student into the main stream



JoAnn Morehart, 12, and her mother, Rhonda Morehart

By KELLY VARNER EBEL
Guest Writer

America offers a bevy of opportunities that most other countries don't offer. Many take these rights for granted. Take this, for instance. Most of us, whether a single parent or married, have healthy children who go to public schools and who have good friends. A happiness many only dream of.

From birth, children are immediately granted all the rights the living have as far as belonging in the "mainstream" is concerned. But suppose your child was involved in an accident that left him paralyzed or handicapped mentally?

After the initial healing and grieving process, you would want your child to continue his or her life in the richest manner possible. You would be there with him, by his side, to help him on his journey.

Now comes the hard part. You're given a choice. You can either institutionalize your child or keep him at home within the boundaries of the family.

If you choose to keep him at home, you must find a school for your child, either a special school environment where he would be surrounded by children in the same or even worse condition than he or return him to his own neighborhood school. Here he would be surrounded by his own peer group to learn and grow in a normal atmosphere.

Previous generations have immediately sought to institutionalize the special-needs children or place them in specified areas where other children like them go, an "out of sight, out of mind" contingency. Rev. Pat Mackan, a noted Canadian educator, correlates this to the "back of the bus syndrome."

But things are changing, and there's a growing trend toward integrating these special-needs children into regular classrooms. And it all began in Canada.

One school board in Canada has reported that in a two-year period more than 500 parents, teachers, principals, trustees, school administrators and other professionals have visited the schools. They have come from as far away as New Zealand, Australia, Israel and the United States.

Rhonda Morehart of Pampa recently attended a seminar in Montreal, Canada, in which more than 200 people were present to be taught by nine teachers. She was sponsored by AMBUCS, Gray Country Association of Retarded Citizens, and United Commercial Travelers, all of Pampa.

Among the teachers at the seminar were Dr. Marsha Forrest, a well-known advocate of integrated education; Judith Snow, a member of the Canadian Association for Community Living; and Evelyn Lusthaus, Ph.D., associate professor (education psychology and counseling), who Morehart took classes from.

The theme was "The Vision: The Theory and the Practice." Morehart learned more than just a lesson, though; it was a beginning. John and Rhonda Morehart's daughter, JoAnn, 12, has Mosaic Down's Syndrome.

JoAnn has attended "special" classes all her life and only recently, this past year, Morehart decided to place her in a regular classroom setting with typical children of her own age.

In February they began busing her to a regular school for the lunch hour and P.E. period, and then JoAnn returned to her other envi-

ronment. The Moreharts say they have already seen slight changes in their daughter.

"All of a sudden she took an interest in her appearance," Morehart said, "like wanting neat things done with her hair, that sort of thing."

But Morehart also explained that it wasn't JoAnn who had really changed, but their own way of thinking and looking at her had changed. By giving her the chance to do things without automatically assuming she couldn't brought what they saw as change into her life.

JoAnn mimics her peers, which is a natural process for all youngsters, not just special-needs children. It's a part of how all children learn.

When in the regular school, JoAnn drops a lot of her learned behavior from her segregated setting and follows that of the children around her in the regular environment.

Many parents have concerns that their "normal" children might pick up "strange" behaviors from the special-needs children, but this has been proven untrue.

"The typical child has already established himself in his environment and knows how to conduct himself," Morehart explained. "What actually takes place is the typical child begins to teach the new special-needs student just by being an example."

The "weird" behavior takes place mainly because children with various special needs are congregated together and have no other role models to follow other than each other. They mimic the behavior of these peers thinking that this is the way they are supposed to act.

There have been many tragic instances in which a "normal" human being was diagnosed improperly and placed in one of these segregated settings. Later in life, the previous diagnosis was lifted when it was discovered that the individual had nothing wrong in the first place.

But when that individual was released into the mainstream of society to begin a new life, he was still labeled as "handicapped" or "retarded" because of his behavior, not his capabilities.

One tragic example was of a woman who was not retarded or handicapped, yet was placed in an institution for people who were. She mimicked the behavior of the people she had been surrounded by for so many years.

When it came time to leave, she couldn't survive in the mainstream and had to return to her segregated system and the only security she knew. She had not been prepared adequately for the real world.

A reverse account is of a child named Jason, a friend of Dr. Forrest. Jason had spent most of his life in an institution and did things like flap his arms while emitting strange noises. He also had a strange haircut.

Welcoming Jason into his new life at a real high school was a very special and caring teacher, despite much opposition from the school principal. Other students were invited to build a "circle of friends" around Jason.

Within a short amount of time, Jason was wearing the school uniform and attending classes and assemblies with popular girls and boys his own age. And his "strange" behavior was nearly gone as he began to take on the personality of a

regular teen-ager.

Of course, Jason wasn't cured, and neither will the other children be cured. They simply become the person they really are, just as you and I have become. And this gives them the chance to be the best they can possibly be.

Because of this opportunity, Jason will have the same chance of making it in the real world as other children do.

Many special-needs children don't make it in society because of sheltered, secluded existences, with little or no training to prepare them adequately for adulthood in the mainstream.

Children who will welcome the special-needs child also have fears when it comes to the integration process, but these too have proven unfounded. It has been found that children are more accepting of changes.

Dr. Forrest conducted an interview with a class of children, their teacher and the school principal a short time after a little girl named May was placed in the class. She began to ask questions to see exactly what had taken place since May arrived.

One of the questions was, "How do you see May now?" One boy answered that "she's just like the rest of us." He went on to explain that at first she was a lot different from the rest of them. Then, as time went by, he could see she had a personality and would even tell them to "shut up" if they bothered her.

May became a regular teen-ager with all the good or bad that comes with it, and she could be just as radical as the others, or just as well-behaved.

Teachers who teach special-needs children often have their own fears and misconceptions. But every child has some special need and every child has different educational goals. All regular education teachers need innovative strategies for varied learning styles of children in the class.

At first, when a child is integrated, a meeting is held with all the people who will be associated with the child: family members, teachers, friends, assistants, etc. Then a support network is set up to ensure the child's special needs will be met. This includes those mentioned above and classmates.

The classmates provide a "circle of friends" that help the child learn to fit in and understand what friendship means. Remember, these children have been without real meaningful relationships because they had been classified as "misfits."

Special-needs children don't know friendship as we do and are not prepared adequately to enter the mainstream as independent, productive adults. They need every possible chance to "make it" in life as any other child.

Rhonda Morehart wants to make certain her daughter gets that chance. And she wants people to understand what the process is all about and why integration is so important.

"For integration to be successful, it takes a lot of support and hard work from everyone, and it's not a cure," Morehart said.

"It is simply giving them the opportunity to become the best they possibly can at being who they are. We are talking about a better quality of life for real people."

For more information, call Rhonda Morehart at 665-8281, or write her at 2214 Duncan in Pampa.

September garden activities

The Farmers Market is continuing to offer a good selection of fresh farm grown vegetables. Visit M.K. Brown Auditorium parking lot on Wednesday and Saturday mornings.

Fair Exhibit Materials
I will be helping set up the Agricultural products booth at the Tri-State Fair on Sept. 16. If any of you have some products that you think would make a good display, give me a call - 669-83033. These would need to be something that would hold up to be on display for a week.



For Horticulture
Joe VanZandt

September Garden Activities

- About eight weeks after gladiolous have finished flowering, they should be mature enough to dig, cure, and store. Destroy any corms that appear to be diseased.
- Don't allow plants with green fruit or berries to suffer from lack of moisture. Hollies will frequently drop their fruit under drought conditions.
- Stake mums though growing season when necessary. Do not divide crowded mums until spring.
- Powdery mildew season is here. Check crapemyrtle, evergreen euonymus, zinnias as well as cucurbites. Funginex or Benlate will usually give excellent control.
- Prune out dead or diseased wood from trees and shrubs. Hold off on major pruning until after a hard freeze. Pruning now will only stimulate tender new growth prior to frost.
- Collect interesting plant materials for drying and curing to use in winter arrangements
- Plan now for major landscape changes you need or want.
- As you plan your new landscape, or as you renovate an existing plan, remember to consider recommended plant varieties for your area.
- Plant peonies in September to give the roots an opportunity to become established before cold weather. Don't move or divide peonies unless there is a good reason to do so as they do not like to be disturbed. If replanting is deemed necessary, place the growth-bud not more than one to two inches below the soil surface.
- Prepare the beds for spring flowering bulbs as soon as possible. It's important to cultivate the soil and add generous amounts of organ-

ic matter to improve the water drainage. Bulbs will rot without proper drainage.

- Continue to mow lawn regularly. Do not scalp until next spring.
- Time to divide spring flowering plants such as iris, Shasta daisy, cannas, daylilies, and violets.
- Good time to watch the ads for needed garden equipment such as mowers, sprinklers, edgers, weeders, hoses and the like. Merchandisers want to make room for Christmas items and often offer good buys at this time.
- Continue to spray roses at regular intervals for blackspot and mildew control. Continue the weekly preventive spray until killing frost.
- Clean up flower and vegetable garden areas. Cut back or pull out faded and dying plants. Makes good material to use in compost bin.
- Pinch out center growing point of about half of your brussel sprout plants when plants are 12 to 15 inches tall; sprouts will then develop along the stem.
- Seed bare spots in garden to rye or wheat for a winter cover crop or apply a heavy mulch.
- Sow radish seed for winter salads; long white icicle and black radishes, turnips, beets, spinach and mustard greens. Root crops store well in garden soil if soil is lightly mulched after freezing weather sets in.

Words of love turn hateful as obscene call is revealed

DEAR ABBY: I would like to pass along a recent experience to your women readers:

The other afternoon, I received a telephone call from a man who said he was calling to deliver a "love-a-gram" from my husband. (He knew my husband's name.) He had a pleasant, cultured voice and sounded very professional, so I stayed on the line and listened to what he had to say. I had expected a love poem or something on the order of a singing telegram, but he started to describe in very graphic terms the act of lovemaking, and it turned out to be an obscene phone call!

I felt deceived, used and violated! When my husband came home that evening, I asked him if he had sent me a "love-a-gram," and he said he had never heard of such a thing.

Abby, please print this as a warning to other women. I assume the caller used the telephone directory as his source for names.

TRICKED IN PASADENA

DEAR TRICKED: Thanks for the tip as well as the opportunity to tell my readers how to handle obscene phone calls.

The most effective way to handle an obscene call is to hang up immediately. Or, if you don't mind having your own telephone tied up for a while, carefully lay

Seminar offered on caring for terminally ill at St. Anthony's

A one-day program designed for nurses who work with the terminally ill in a hospice, hospital or nursing home has been set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. September 29 by St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Program and the Pampas Hospice Council. It is co-sponsored by Hospice of the Plains, hospice of Pampa, Collingsworth Hospice and Amarillo College Center for Continuing Health Care Education.

"Caring for the Terminally Ill: A Challenge for Excellence," will emphasize skills and information necessary for high quality nursing management of the terminally ill patient, according to Carol Knight, ed.M., Education Coordinator for the Hospice.

While the target audience is nurses, other members of the health care team are encouraged to participate.

At the close of the program participants will be able to complete detailed physical assessments of terminally ill patients; identify etiology of pain and apply management techniques; discuss symptom control of terminally describe special nursing needs of patients with AIDS including physical and psychosocial issues, symptom identification and standards of care; identify the major components of hospice care; apply principles of stress management and humor-therapy to avoid "battle fatigue"; and identify the components of grief work.

The workshop will begin with registration at 7:30 p.m. at Sister Mary Nicholas Auditorium at St. Anthony's Hospital and will conclude at 5 p.m. For more information contact Carol Knight at 378-5037.



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

the receiver down and walk away for as long as you wish. If the calls persist, contact your local phone company.

DEAR ABBY: I read in your column the question of whether it was proper to ask a stranger for the name of her perfume. Let me tell you, I did, and I have never regretted it.

Two women came out of a fine department store and passed me. Both were wearing a lovely fragrance, so I asked what it was. They replied, "Norell." I promptly purchased some for my wife. Forty-four years have passed and it's still our favorite. But that's not the end of the story. My wife told me that what first attracted her to me was my after-shave lotion. It was Mennen's Skin Bracer. You guessed it — to this day that's still my brand. Little things have a way of influencing our lives!

FRANK H. CURTIS,
BEVERLY, MASS.

DEAR FRANK: Little things? Don't underestimate the power of the olfactory (the sense of smell). Odors are of primary importance in attracting the

opposite sex in animals — including the human animal.

DEAR ABBY: I must object to your response to "Pro-Life Mom," who became hysterical when she saw the term "abortion" in her medical record. This woman said that a D and C was performed to save her life, but had she known that the term "abortion" would appear on her record, she'd have refused the procedure because she's anti-abortion. How utterly ridiculous! Worse yet, she asked the doctor to change the terminology on her records.

Abby, medical records are legal documents and terminology is universal. This woman had a "spontaneous abortion" whether she likes the terminology or not. If her physician altered her records to accommodate her, his integrity would be diminished among his peers.

I feel that you've set her up for a futile battle with her physician. He'd have to be an idiot to put a non-medical term into a patient's record.

You do a fantastic job of educating your readers. Please don't advise anyone to demand that a professional person lower him/herself to accommodate ignorance.

I've been a patient's rights advocate all along, and, yes, I am a nurse. JACQUIE GORDON,
UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, OHIO

What teen-agers need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS and getting along with their peers and parents is now in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." Send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$3.50 (\$4 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61064. (Postage is included.)

THE HARVESTER

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Today's Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 College group
- 5 ___ degree
- 8 Unable to speak
- 12 Convent dwellers
- 13 Cry of surprise
- 14 Away from the wind
- 15 Fencing sword
- 16 Kind of bread
- 17 Annoying insect
- 18 Cotton wipes
- 20 Mad
- 22 Italian volcano
- 24 Skier Jean Claude ___
- 28 New Year's drink
- 32 Ages
- 33 Hawaiian instruments
- 35 Actress Foch
- 36 Actor Andrews
- 37 Petty prince
- 41 Coded on map
- 42 Fat
- 44 Towns
- 48 Buckwheat
- 52 Animal parks
- 53 Flying saucer (abbr.)
- 55 Senator Sam
- 57 Army acronym
- 58 Narrow inlet
- 59 Pakistan language
- 60 Garden tool
- 61 Dolores ___
- 62 Smooth

DOWN

- 1 Compass point
- 2 Drinking vessels
- 3 Over again

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 39 Preposterous
- 40 Hebrew letter
- 41 New Zealand parrot
- 43 Cheers!
- 44 Russian emperor
- 45 Hawkeye State
- 46 Grabbed
- 47 ___ of Wight
- 49 Cozy
- 50 Throw
- 51 The King ___
- 54 Shame!
- 56 Lump

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GEECH

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B.C.

By Johnny Hart

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

Your priorities and interests could undergo some significant changes in the year ahead. Things of a material nature will be relegated to second place as your esthetic tastes come more and more to the fore.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Pursuit of personal ambitions and objectives could occupy your attention so completely today you might inadvertently do things that are contrary to the interests of your co-workers and create ill-will. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Participation in pleasurable diversions might be upmost in your mind today and when you do get involved in life's more serious aspects, your efforts may lack impact and quality.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There might be some minor domestic disruptions around your house today. It will be up to you to make sure no one makes mountains out of molehills, including yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) As long as you have able bodied co-workers with lots of vitality, you'll match their efforts today, but when left on your own, you might not be as industrious.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today, you might be a trifle stingy with people who behave generous toward you. Ironically, favored-person status could go to those undeserving of your largesse.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Early in the day you shouldn't have any difficulty making quick decisions. As time ticks on, however, you may find yourself beset with doubts when you weigh and balance judgments.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you're the purveyor of important news to companions today, make doubly sure you have your facts in order. Without a script, you might miss or confuse pertinent information.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It's been said, "We earn our enemies, but we do not always deserve our friends." Today a well-meaning pal might do something that complicates things for you financially.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be guarded today so that you don't appear overly materialistic to people with whom you'll be involved. Keep in mind, an individual without compassion is like a house without windows.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your demeanor will be commanding today and your leadership qualities will be quite evident. Don't, however, expect everyone to snap to whenever you issue a directive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Listen attentively to tips passed onto you by friends today that could make or save you money. However, don't rush into anything before double checking it with a second source.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though you might not be totally in accord with your peer group today, it's best that you dissent in silence. Nothing will be gained by making waves.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

SNAFU

By Bruce Beattie

The Family Circus

By Bil Keane

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

THE BORN LOSER

By Art Sansom

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By Jim Davis

Sports

Saints humble 'Pokes

Dallas suffers third straight opening day setback

By AUSTIN WILSON
AP Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The mystique is still there, even though "America's Team" has fallen on hard times.

"If you look at the number of people who came to this game from the press, look at the fact that we had nearly national television on this game and the top TV crew to do the game, you know there's still a lot of media attention focused on the Dallas Cowboys," said Saints guard Brad Edelman.

The New Orleans Saints beat the Dallas Cowboys 28-0 Sunday, spoiling the NFL debut of Coach Jimmy Johnson, rookie quarterback Troy Aikman and new owner Jerry Jones. Johnson replaces Tom Landry, fired after his 29th Cowboys team went 3-13.

The game was a sellout, and 201 media credentials were issued for a Superdome press box that is cramped with its regular contingent of 175.

"I still think a lot of people wanted to come and see how 'America's Team' was going to open up against the Saints, and how Jimmy Johnson and the rest of the organization was going to be," Edelman said. "So I still think the mystique is there to some degree."

It was the first opening game shutout ever for the Cowboys, now 22-7-1 on opening days, and the first regular-season shutout since the 11th game of the 1985 season. It was the third straight opening day loss for Dallas, which compiled a string of 21 straight quick starts from 1965 through 1986.

It was the first time New Orleans ever shut out an opening day opponent.

"It's not the franchise it once was," Edelman said.

"That's not to say that it can't be a good ball club and can't be a perennial winner. But they still have a long way to go."

An awfully long way, if Sunday is an indication. Herschel Walker, one of the best backs in pro football and maybe the best, netted 10 yards rushing on eight attempts. Dallas had a total offense of 174 yards, only 41 of those yards in the first half while New Orleans was running up a 21-0 halftime lead.

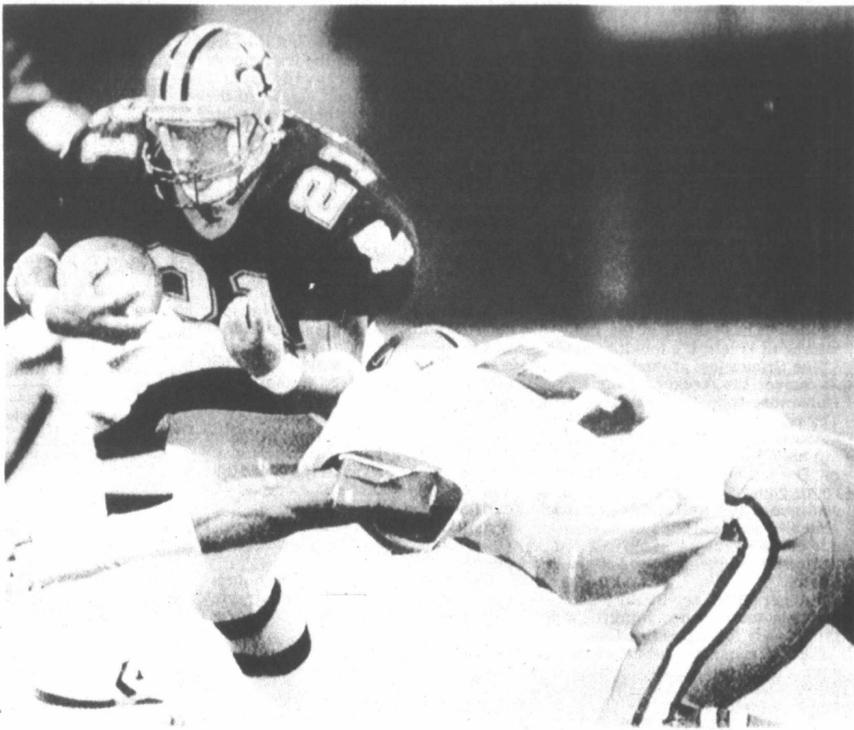
New Orleans had 26 first downs to 10 for the Cowboys, ran 65 plays to 48 for Dallas and controlled the ball for 44:02, almost three times as long as Dallas had it.

"It would have been nice to start off better than we did, because I know we have a better football team than we showed," Johnson said. "We did not tackle well defensively. We did not make the plays offensively. We had penalties. We just did not play as well as we are capable of playing."

Dallas got into New Orleans territory twice — once on a fumbled snap and shanked punt that gave them the ball at the Saints 37-yard line in the first quarter and once on their only sustained offensive thrust of the day, a 71-yard drive against New Orleans reserves that ended with an interception at the 15-yard line.

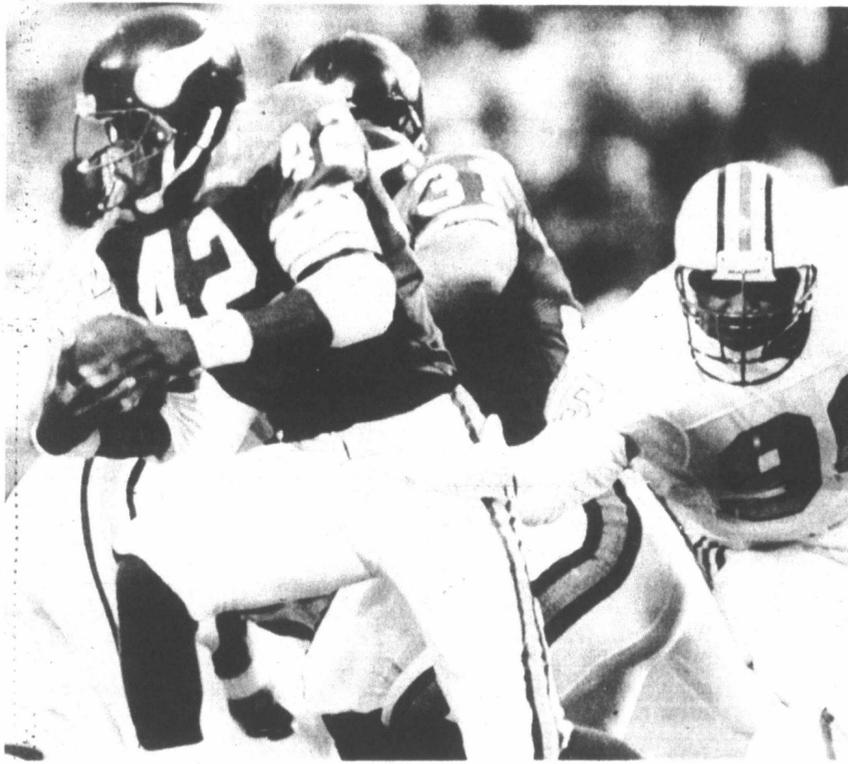
Aikman threw a touchdown pass to Michael Irvin on that fourth-quarter drive, but it was called back by a penalty.

New Orleans scored on a 4-yard run by Dalton Hilliard and a 1-yard plunge by Craig Heyward, both in the first quarter, a 56-yard punt return by Derrick Shepard in the second quarter and a 1-yard run by Paul Frazier in the fourth quarter.



(AP Laserphoto)

Cowboys' linebacker Eugene Lockhart dives for Saints' back Eugene Hilliard.



(AP Laserphoto)

Vikings' back D.J. Dozier evades Oilers' defensive end Sean Jones during NFL action Sunday afternoon. The Oilers were routed 38-7.

Vikings rip apart Oilers 38-7

By MIKE NADEL
AP Sports Writer

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Houston Oilers coach Jerry Glanville and his Minnesota Vikings counterpart, Jerry Burns, must have been watching a different game.

"I was disappointed with our coverage on Carter, especially since he was double-covered," Glanville said.

Said Burns: "They gave us man coverage and it's tough to hold a guy like him down with man coverage."

Guess they'll have to look at the films.

In any event, Anthony Carter made the point moot. Double or single, zone or man-to-man, there was no covering the two-time Pro Bowl receiver Sunday as the Vikings opened the NFL season with a 38-7 victory.

Carter, who on Tuesday said he was so upset with his contract that Burns should bench him because "I won't put my best foot forward," used both feet to run around, jump over and, basically, grind the Oilers into the turf.

The Vikings' first offensive play was a quick, 14-yard, Wade Wilson-to-Carter sideline pass.

"Coming in with that first play, I guess (Burns) wanted to see if I was going to put my best foot forward," said Carter, who caught seven passes for 123 yards and a touchdown before sitting out the second half with a slight ankle injury.

He said his statement was made "in the heat of the day."

"I still believe I should be compensated for being one of the top receivers in the game," said Carter, whose \$450,000 salary is less than half those of Jerry Rice and Mike Quick. "I got a contract right now and I'll deal with that later."

"I don't want to keep harping on this contract thing." On Wednesday, Carter apologized to Burns and his teammates. On Sunday, he said he didn't have anything to prove to them.

"They knew all along the kind of player I am," Carter said. "They know I'm going to give it my all." Yes, they do.

"I never had any question or doubt about A.C.," Burns said. "He may have said some things out of frustration, but I love the guy. The guy's a hell of a football player. He played out there today like a guy possessed."

Said tight end Steve Jordan, who missed all of training camp while waiting for General Manager Mike

Lynn to sign him to a \$700,000-a-year contract: "We all knew what the deal was. Everybody's dealt with Mike before."

"A.C. pretty much put all the contractual things behind him. Now, after the game is over, I'm sure he's probably thinking, 'Can I get paid?' I think everybody on the team is thinking the same thing, 'Will Anthony get paid?' Obviously, he's our big-play receiver."

Lynn said he is through negotiating with Carter until after the season.

Wilson said the Vikings were "more kidding about the statement than anything. There wasn't any concern that once we went on the field that he would put his best foot forward. He's not outwardly emotional, but you could tell he wanted to have a big game today."

When Carter wasn't putting his best foot forward, Minnesota's defensive linemen were putting cleat marks on Houston quarterback Warren Moon.

Tackles Keith Millard and Henry Thomas and ends Chris Doleman and Al Noga combined to sack Moon eight times for 44 yards. Moon completed only 8 of 20 passes for 69 yards — his worst outing since he went 5-for-23 for 68 yards against Cleveland in 1986.

"That's one of the best front fours I've seen since I've been playing," said Moon, in his sixth year with Houston after six years in the Canadian Football League. "They didn't even have to blitz. They did it all up front."

"He looked frustrated. He was getting up slow," Millard, who had three sacks, said of Moon. "You could tell he didn't like getting hit."

The Oilers' stadium, the Astrodome, has been nicknamed "The House of Pain." The Metrodome had no such nickname. Until now.

"We have the House of Torture," Millard said. "We never let up."

The Oilers looked like the torturers instead of the torturees early, taking a 7-0 lead by holding the ball for the game's first 7:48. Alonzo Highsmith capped the 13-play, 61-yard drive with a 1-yard run.

"They looked like a great team today," Oilers cornerback Steve Brown said. "I don't know about the Super Bowl because it's too early, but they looked great."

Scoreboard

Club Paradise 1 7 0

Aug. 23: Hendricks Painting 16, Danny's Market 12; Caprock Engineering 4, Biarritz Club 15.

Aug. 24: Club Paradise 10, Caprock Engineering 15; Mc-A-Doodles 7, Booze-N-Brew 3.

Aug. 28: Caprock Engineering 14, Danny's Market 23; Mc-A-Doodles 12, Club Paradise 10.

Aug. 30: Hendricks Painting 5, Booze-N-Brew 11; Biarritz Club forfeit win over Danny's Market.

Aug. 31: Club Paradise 11, Hendricks Painting 9; Mc-A-Doodles forfeit win over Caprock Engineering.

Sept. 6: Danny's Market 12, Club Paradise 3; Hendricks Painting 10, Mc-A-Doodles 12.

Sept. 7: Booze-N-Brew 11, Caprock Engineering 8; Biarritz Club 13, Hendricks Painting 3.

Men's Open Division 2

Team	W	L	T
Schwan's Ice Cream	5	0	0
One Bull Ranch	5	0	0
Titan Specialties	2	3	0
Maria's Restaurant	2	4	0
Cabot R&D	1	4	0
Schiffman Machine	1	5	0

Results

Aug. 23: Maria's 8, One Bull Ranch 12.

Aug. 28: Titan 6, One Bull Ranch 8; Maria's 8, Schiffman 7.

Aug. 30: Schwan's forfeit win over Cabot R&D.

Aug. 31: One Bull Ranch 1, Schiffman 6.

Sept. 6: Maria's 9, Schwan's 13; Cabot R&D 18, Schiffman 14.

Sept. 7: Schiffman 2, One Bull Ranch 16; Titan 4, Schwan's 10.

Men's Open Division 3

Team	W	L	T
Cabot Pampa Plant	7	1	0
Pampa Mail	6	2	0
Medicine Shoppe	5	2	0
Quality Rental	4	3	0
Culberson Stowers	2	5	0
Weekend Warriors	2	6	0
Arrow Well Servicing	0	7	0

Results

Aug. 23: Medicine Shoppe 16, Culberson Stowers 2; Cabot 12, Quality Rental 8; Pampa Mail 13, Weekend Warriors 11.

Aug. 24: Pampa Mail 17, Arrow 1.

Aug. 28: Weekend Warriors 14, Arrow 9; Cabot 8, Medicine Shoppe 7.

Aug. 30: Quality Rental 17, Arrow 2; Weekend Warriors 1, Culberson Stowers 18; Pampa Mail 6, Cabot 23.

Sept. 6: Culberson Stowers 3, Pampa Mail 15; Medicine Shoppe 12, Quality Rental 16.

Sept. 7: Pampa Mail 20, Quality Rental 19; Culberson Stowers 8, Arrow 7.

Sept. 7: Culberson Stowers 5, Cabot 11; Medicine Shoppe 12, Weekend Warriors 15.

Mixed League

Team	W	L	T
Coronado Inn	6	0	0
Mr. Gatt's	6	0	0
Mr. Detail	4	2	0
Olney Savings	4	2	0
Caprock Bearing	4	2	0
Fly Swatters	3	2	0
Cross M Ranch	2	3	0
4 x 4's	2	4	0
Coldwell Banker	1	5	0
Lewis Supply	0	6	0
Skeeters	0	6	0

Results

Aug. 24: Caprock Bearing 12, Mr. Detail 11; 4 x 4's 6, Cross M Ranch 29; Coldwell Banker 20, Skeeters 5.

Aug. 28: Lewis Supply 10, Olney Savings 22; Coldwell Banker 3, Coronado Inn 12.

Sept. 5: Cross M Ranch 19, Lewis Supply 4; Fly Swatters 11, Coldwell Banker 10; Coronado Inn 22, Skeeters 0; Mr. Gatt's forfeit win over Olney Savings; Coronado Inn 19, Caprock Bearing 4; 4 x 4's 4, Mr. Detail 20.

Pampa 48, Canyon 0

Team	W	L	T
Pampa	15	13	7
Canyon	0	0	0

P — Quincy Williams 20-yard pass from James Bybee (Shannon Cook kick)

P — Mike Cagle 8-yard pass from Bybee (Cagle pass from Bybee)

P — Williams 5-yard run (Cook kick)

P — Barry Coffee 2-yard run (kick failed)

P — Wayne Cavanaugh 17-yard pass from Bybee (Cook kick)

P — Williams 3-yard run (Cook kick)

P — Cavanaugh 18-yard run (kick blocked)

First Downs 24 4

Yards Rushing 315 33

Yards Passing 159 46

Total Offense 464 79

Comp-Att-Int 13-20-1 5-16-0

Punts-Avg 2-49 8-39.9

Fumbles-Lost 2-1 5-4.3

Penalties-Yards 9-60 9-55

Individual Statistics

Rushing — Pampa: Quincy Williams 17-129; Wayne Cavanaugh 6-65; James Bybee 8-34; Heath Parker 1-37; Barry Coffee 6-24; Sammy Laury 2-6; Logan Hudson 3-12; Scott Beyer 4-8; Canyon: George Nester 7-28; Derek Pirie 5-12; Scotty Powers 5-10; Jeff Perez 1-10; Dieter Prater 8-(25).

Passing — Pampa: James Bybee 13-19-1-159; Logan Hudson 0-1-0-0; Canyon: Dieter Prater 4-15-0-46; Phets Sovilay 0-1-0-0.

Receiving — Pampa: Wayne Cavanaugh 4-61; Sammy Laury 3-40; Quincy Williams 2-24; Scott Beyer 3-11; Brian Pellam 1-15; Mike Cagle 1-8; Canyon: Scotty Powers 2-13; Derek Pirie 2-12; Jeff Perez 1-21.

B.C. Golf Open

By WILLIAM KATES
AP Sports Writer

ENDICOTT, N.Y. (AP) — Mike Hulbert, the local boy, had wanted to win the B.C. Open for a long time. When it happened, he nearly missed the moment.

Hulbert, a native of Horseheads, N.Y., about 45 miles away, sank a par putt on the first playoff hole Sunday to beat Bob Estes, who bogeyed the hole after sailing his drive off the fairway.

Everyone but Hulbert realized the tournament was over.

"Yeah, I was going to the next hole," Hulbert said. "It took a while to hit me."

"I was ready for the playoff to go more holes. Heck, Bob didn't make a bogey all day. I just got my mind set in one direction and nothing was going to stray me from that."

He was finally allowed to stray when the winner's check of \$90,000 was jammed into his hand.

"It's a dream come true to win so close to home. I didn't know if I could ever do it or not, but things just went my way," he said.

Hulbert, who closed with a 65, and Estes, who shot a 68, completed 72 holes over the 6,966-yard, par-71 En-Joie Golf Club at 16-under-par 268. Each had an opportunity to win in regulation, but each missed a long birdie putt on the final hole.

Estes began the playoff by hitting his drive on the 388-yard, par-4 No. 1 hole off to the right, about 20 yards behind a stand of trees. He hit his second shot beyond the back of the green into an area of ground under repair. Given a free drop, he chipped 10 feet past the hole and missed the par putt coming back.

Hulbert flirted with disaster on his approach shot, which landed on the left edge of the green, just a few feet away from a moat. But he was able to two-putt for par, tapping in the winning shot from about 18 inches.

Hulbert was three shots behind Estes when play began on Sunday, and the margin went to four when Hulbert opened with a bogey. But four consecutive birdies pulled Hulbert into a tie with Estes, Dave Eichelberger and Australian Steve Elkington, the latter on his way to tying a course record with a 62. Hulbert and Estes then broke away to battle down to the end.

Elkington finished one shot out of the playoff at 269 after tying the record set by Fuzzy Zoeller in 1982 and tied by Jay Delsing in 1985. Elkington had 10 birdies and one bogey in his round.

Zoeller shot a 69 and Eichelberger a 70 to tie at 271. Wayne Levi was alone at 272 after closing with a 66, Gil Morgan shot 68 for 273, and Nolan Henke was at 274 after a final 65.

Rodeo

Tamra Johnson and Cydney Morriss of the Pampa Rodeo Club each placed in three events Saturday at the Tri-State High School Rodeo in Spearman.

Johnson finished third in pole bending with a time of 21.461, seventh in goat tying (14.070) and seventh in barrels (20.996).

Morriss clocked 12.672 in goat tying to capture fourth place. She was also fifth in barrels (20.650) and seventh in poles (26.762).

Two other Pampa contestants placed in one event each. Boy Reames was fifth in bull riding with 64 points, while Michel Reeves was eighth in poles (27.330).

Pampa hosts next week's Tri-State Rodeo at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena. Performances begin at 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Team roping is scheduled for approximately 2 p.m.

Below is a list of complete results from Saturday.

TRI-STATE HIGH SCHOOL RODEO

Saturday, Sept. 9 at Spearman

Barrel Race: 1. Toby Leftow, Wheeler, 64.2; (tie) Dewayne Evans and Ken King, Canadian, 63; 4. Travis Shamp, Boys Ranch, 56.

Calf Roping: 1. Randy McEntire, Wheeler, 10.624; 2. Shane Goad, Wheeler, 10.649; 3. K.C. Overturf, Floydada, 11.497; 4. Rowdy Slavin, Canadian, 11.892; 5. Daniel Grulikey, Adrian, 12.696; 6. William Gill, Canadian, 15.475; 7. Chris Onal, Clarendon, 18.273; 8. Charley Russell, Wheeler, 18.607.

Ribbon Roping: 1. Randy McEntire, Wheeler, 7.863; 2. Cody Gabel, Adrian, 8.128; 3. Rowdy Slavin, Canadian, 9.397; 4. Jerry Don Thompson, Channing, 9.760; 5. Clint DeArmond, Spearman, 9.774; 6. K.C. Overturf, Floydada, 9.821; 7. Chris Onal, Clarendon, 9.925; 8. Shane Goad, Wheeler, 10.907.

Steer Wrestling: 1. Twister Cain, River Road, 4.759; 2. Jim Boy Hash, Canadian, 8.842; 3. Burt Noland, Hereford, 28.089.

Team Roping: 1. Burt Noland, Hereford, and Twister Cain, River Road, 6.258; 2. K.C. Overturf, Floydada, and Steve Tippett, Memphis, 7.624; 3. Shane Goad, Wheeler, and Twister Cain, River Road, 7.966; 4. Jess Turner and Jake Monroe, Dumas, 8.441; 5. Jess Turner and Clay Bearden, Dumas, 9.046; 6. Braden Benson and Spencer Albracht, Tascosa, 9.149; 7. K.C. Overturf and Matt Barrington, Floydada, 11.374; 8. Brian Jones, Wellington, and Steve Tippett, Memphis, 13.549.

Bull Riding: 1. Dewayne Evans, Canadian, 72; 2. Don Ray Howard, Canadian, 69; 3. (tie) Mike Thomas, Boys Ranch, and Justin Price, Canadian, 66; 5. Boy Reames, Pampa, 64; 6. Lance Reed, Canyon, 63; 7. Dusty Harris, River Road, 62; 8. Greg Welby, Boys Ranch, 56.

Saddle Broncs: 1. Jim Boy Hash, Canadian, 58.

Breakaway Roping: 1. Kerrie Pitts, Floydada, 3.589; 2. Cody Bell, Canyon, 4.517; 3. Cindy Denny, Dumas, 5.020; 4. Dawn Bleiker, Channing, 5.490; 5. Leslie Morton, Gruver, 6.049; 6. Allison Cunningham, Tascosa, 6.074; 7. Shawna Davidson, Floydada, 8.832; 8. Regina Lewis, Hereford, 11.964.

Barrels: 1. Kerrie Pitts, Floydada, 20.425; 2. Regina Lewis, Hereford, 20.511; 3. Dawn Bleiker, Channing, 20.606; 4. Shan Til Hext, Canadian, 20.620; 5. Cydney Morriss, Pampa, 20.650; 6. Christi Hill, Wheeler, 20.703; 7. Tamra Johnson, Pampa, 20.996; 8. Kelly McCoy, Gruver, 21.052.

Pole Bending: 1. Regina Lewis, Hereford, 21.092; 2. Amy Hill, Channing, 21.351; 3. Tamra Johnson, Pampa, 21.461; 4. Allison Cunningham, Tascosa, 22.493; 5. Shan Til Hext, Canadian, 25.934; 6. Leslie Morton, Gruver, 26.016; 7. Cydney Morriss, Pampa, 26.762; 8. Michel Reeves, Pampa, 27.330.

Goat Tying: 1. Regina Lewis, Hereford, 10.765; 2. Amy Hill, Channing, 10.858; 3. Dawn Bleiker, Channing, 12.504; 4. Cydney Morriss, Pampa, 12.672; 5. Cody Bell, Canyon, 13.374; 6. Melissa Brillhart, Floydada, 13.447; 7. Tamra Johnson, Pampa, 14.070; 8. Amy Cunningham, Tascosa, 14.397.

All-Around Boy: (tie) K.C. Overturf, Floydada, and Randy McEntire, Wheeler, 16 points each.

All-Around Girl: Regina Lewis, Hereford, 24 points.

PAMPA SOFTBALL STANDINGS

As of Sept. 7, 1989

Men's Open Division 1

Team	W	L	T
Biarritz Club	6	0	0
Mc-A-Doodles	6	1	0
Danny's Market	5	2	0
Booze-N-Brew	3	3	0
Hendricks Painting	2	5	0
Caprock Engineering	1	6	0

Rangers blast O's

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Baltimore Orioles' remarkable run may have dealt a crippling blow by the Texas Rangers.

Mike Stanley keyed a six-run first with a three-run double and Jamie Moyer pitched a six-hitter as the Rangers downed the Orioles, 8-1, on Sunday.

With the loss, Baltimore fell 2½ games behind the Toronto Blue Jays in the American League East after the Blue Jays edged the Cleveland Indians, 5-4.

The Orioles have 17 games left, including a three-game series at Toronto the final weekend of the season.

"It's just a little tougher now," said Orioles manager Frank Robinson. "It's not impossible, but a little tougher. Three down in the loss column with 17 left, it's tough."

The Orioles lost ground on the Blue Jays over the weekend even though Baltimore took three of five from Texas. The 2½ game deficit is the Orioles' largest since they were a season-high three games out May 7-8.

"The bottom line is that the only way we're going to win this thing is if we continue to play well and Toronto cools off a bit," said Cal Ripken Jr. "All you can control is how you play. If you're not playing the team ahead of you, it's tough."

Rangers manager Bobby Valentine said his team is not going to make things easy for the contenders.

"People can't expect us to roll over," Valentine said. "I intend to make it as tough as possible on people (opponents) the rest of the way."

Jamie Moyer, 4-6, making only his second start since missing almost three months with a shoulder injury, gave up a first-inning solo homer to

Phil Bradley, watched his teammates put up a six-run first, then shut the Orioles down the rest of the way on five hits and two walks.

"The big lead was nice but if I give up three or four runs, the lead means nothing," Moyer said. "So I approached the second and third the same way, not to let them have a big inning."

The Rangers sent 11 men to the plate in the first off starter Dave Schmidt, 10-13, who has allowed 10 runs and 11 hits in his last 1-3 innings. Robinson did not decide to start Schmidt until Saturday night.

Robinson has searched in vain for a fifth starter all season.

"It's hard to believe," said Robinson of Schmidt. "The ball is up. I haven't seen the palm ball or the sharp slider I saw in the spring. When he does make a good pitch, they fight it off. He's not making enough quality pitches to get out of an inning."

Schmidt's contract is up at the end of the year. He knows he hasn't pitched well and is searching for answers.

"I don't know what to say right now," Schmidt said. "Sometimes you can laugh it off but when it keeps happening, it's hard to laugh anymore. I guess I'm just not making good enough pitches."

The Orioles open an 11-game homestand Monday with a three-game series against the Chicago White Sox.



Whoops, wrong player!

A Pampa Harvester player was incorrectly identified in the photograph accompanying Sunday's story on the Pampa-Canyon football game on page 9. The player who made the pass reception was actually Scott Beyer instead of Wayne Cavanaugh.

The PampaNews apologizes for any inconvenience the error may have caused.

Melson new OU quarterback

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — A good first half by eighth-ranked Oklahoma helped offset some bad news — the loss of starting quarterback Steve Collins.

Collins hurt the little finger on his right hand on the first play of Saturday's game against Baylor, returned one series later to direct an 11-play scoring drive, then stayed on the sidelines.

That didn't sideline the Sooner offense. Oklahoma scored on three of its next four possessions to take a 28-0 halftime lead, then coasted to a 33-7 victory.

"I'm a very happy football coach right now," Gary Gibbs said after the Sooners improved to 2-0. "I think we beat a very good football team."

Certainly losing Collins, who is expected to miss four to six weeks, was nothing to smile about. Gibbs had hoped the redshirt freshman would settle nicely into the starting role, but those plans have been squashed.

The job now belongs to redshirt sophomore Chris Melson, who led the Sooners to three touchdowns and a field goal against Baylor. Melson is the most experienced of the three quarterbacks who competed for the job this fall.

"Chris has had an edge for the last two weeks and since the last two days over Tink Collins, so we will start that way in practice (this week)," Gibbs said.

Melson did nothing but hand to his halfbacks on his first full possession, which resulted in a 19-yard touchdown run by Mike Gaddis. Two series later, Melson set up Leon Perry's 1-yard scoring dive by turning upfield on an option play and sprinting 44 yards to the Baylor 5.

The next time the Sooners got the ball, they drove 71 yards in 10 plays with Melson going over from 1 yard out.

"I have to give credit to our coaches," Melson said. "I am thankful that our coaches spent time with all three of us. I knew what I had to do when I got out there because of the preparation."

Oklahoma's offense went flat in the second half, but by then the game appeared well in hand. Baylor had managed only 85 yards in the opening two quarters, 37 of it on the ground.

"It hit me like a ton of bricks coming off the field (at halftime)," Baylor coach Grant Teaff said. "You can't let a team like Oklahoma have a week's head start. But we made a lot of progress in the second half."

After Oklahoma took a 31-0 lead on a 33-yard field goal by R.D. Lashar early in the third quarter, Baylor drove 68 yards in 11 plays for its first touchdown, a 2-yard pass from Brad Goebel to Alonzo Pierce.

The Bears, 0-1, had a chance to get back into the game moments later when Melson fumbled at the Oklahoma 12, but Goebel was intercepted in the end zone.

"If we could have scored on that second drive, it would have been a different ball game," Teaff said.

"Obviously, they were the better football team," Teaff said. "This was no fluke. If we went and played in the parking lot right now, it would be pretty much the same thing."

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Shadow of censorship looms as students return to schools

EDITOR'S NOTE—Every year scores of books are banned in schools and libraries across America, usually at the behest of parents who find their contents offensive. Here's a look at some of the works that have been censored and the efforts by some writers and librarians to fight back.

By JOHN BARBOUR
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This month more than 40 million public school children and 13 million college students begin returning to their classrooms. But in many of these halls of learning, the shadow of censorship hangs over that source of light and knowledge, the library.

Freedom of speech and the press, to write and to read whatever you like, remains protected in America. But those freedoms are frequently challenged. Public and school librarians often feel under siege.

Books as seemingly harmless as Mark Twain's *Huckleberry Finn* and L. Frank Baum's *The Wizard of Oz* have been challenged. And some of the most-frequent targets are John Steinbeck's *Of Mice and Men*, Kurt Vonnegut's *Slaughterhouse Five* and J.D. Salinger's *Catcher in the Rye*.

But, as the school board in Eliot, Maine, said in rejecting a parental request to ban Judy Blume's novel *Forever* as pornographic: "...while you have the right to censor material for your child, we do not believe you have that right for other children in the system."

It's estimated that since Gutenberg invented the printing press some 25 million individual books have been written and published, almost a third in the English language. Worldwide there are another 350,000 titles published every year, at least 50,000 in the United States.

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To house and protect this multiplicity of ideas, the United States supports more than 115,000 libraries of all kinds.

Judith Krug, who writes and edits the American Library Association's *Newsletter on Intellectual Freedom*, chronicles those individuals and groups "who attempt to remove those materials from public availability and accessibility."

"This is a constitutional republic, but the constitutional republic does not work unless the electorate is enlightened. We are a nation of self-governors, but in order to make appropriate decisions we need to have information available and accessible."

This month, authors and celebrities will visit bookstores and libraries across the country to read publicly excerpts from banned books as they did when Salman Rushdie's *The Satanic Verses* raised such a furor.

In Los Angeles, for instance, PEN Center West, an author's group, will hold a gathering in Malibu with readings of banned books by authors and celebrities. Among the invited are Steve Allen, Alice Walker, Martin Sheen, Ray Bradbury, Hope Lange, Alvin Toffler, Larry King and Billy Crystal.

In the 1986-87 academic year, People for the American Way reported there were 153 attempts to remove

books from public schools or libraries in 41 states, 37 percent of them successful.

In the year ended May 1989, the American Library Association reports that more than 100 books were brought up on charges, including Jim Davis' *Garfield: His Nine Lives*.

That cartoon book was challenged in Saginaw, Mich., by a parent who found some of the language and drawings offensive.

Says Stephen James, assistant director for the Saginaw County Public Library: "It was intended to be a children's book. But some of the language was challenging."

A parent objected to one illustration which Davis had captioned, "She stormed, she fumed, she kicked ass." The drawing depicts a woman, kicking a man and sending him tumbling.

The library review committee decided to keep the book, but in the adult section.

It has been a rough year for James and the Saginaw librarians. They received 11 challenges from May to December 1988.

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The Saginaw authorities reported to the library association, "Although no evidence of an organized censorship effort has been found as yet...the sheer number of challenges placed a clear burden on the library and to many seemed to suggest further trouble."

The first was Larry King's *Tell It to the King*. The complainant resented what she felt was foul language and called it "an insult to one's intelligence." Says James: "We decided to keep it on the shelves. Our librarians felt the quotes were well handled."

Among those that followed were Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, *The Color Purple*, and another children's book, *Katie Morag and the Tiresome Ted* by Mairi Hedderwick, the story of a child's jealousy when a new baby arrives. Why? The mother's breast is exposed as she holds a smiling baby, but the baby is not suckling. The complaint asked the illustration be covered.

The woman who complained about *Sir Gawain and the Loathly Lady*, by Selina Hasting, found the book charming but asked the library to "white out" a sentence which contained profanity.

The library's review committee could not find anything pornographic in *Public Smiles, Private Tears*, by Helen Van Slyke, or anything objectionable in *King Stork* by Howard Pyle. The review committee said:

"Howard Pyle is a classic children's author who was very much respected in his time. His text reflects values and practices we now find repugnant in the same way that other classic books (*Huckleberry Finn*, *Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, *Dr. Doolittle*, *Little House on the Prairie*, etc.) contain racist and sexist attitudes or words that belong to a bygone age. Mr. Pyle is true to the spirit of folklore in his original folktales."

Saginaw received a complaint because the Bible and books on Christianity were shelved with books on myths and other religions, but that is where the Dewey Decimal System places them.

What about a picture book for children, named *Where's Waldo?*, in which young readers scan through a

busy page of a hundred or so small illustrations of tiny characters to find Waldo? He is either lost in the illustrations of people doing things at a track meet or a department store.

But among the illustrations, one woman found a little boy, peeking under a curtain at a woman in a department store dressing room. As in the other cases, the review committee refused to ban the book.

And, finally, Saginaw was asked to remove a book called *Young, Gay and Proud*, an anthology of short stories, poems and essays supportive of teen-agers who have homosexual tendencies.

The complaint was filed by David A. Morel, the father of two young daughters and a vice president of the 25-member Saginaw chapter of the American Family Association, a religiously oriented group based in Tupelo, Miss., formerly known as the National Federation for Decency. The chapter embraces a principle known in the South as WRAP, White Ribbons Against Pornography.

Morel, a church-going Baptist, objected to the book on pornographic grounds. "They go into detail on how to have sex between two males. They get very explicit...Personally I think gay sex is wrong. But there is no one out there who would accept my opinion, based on the Bible, which points out it's wrong. But that doesn't carry much weight in this country anymore...The country is founded on Christian principles, but has deviated from it."

Morel says pornography is addictive in the same way alcohol and drugs are, and fears for his daughters' safety as they grow up. "I think we are all horrible rotten sinners," he says. "The Bible says the heart of man is deceitfully wicked, and I think if you dig deep enough we'll find that's true."

The library reviewers rejected his appeal. Says the library's Stephen James: "We felt, in fact, it was not enticing youngsters, that it was intended to promote a sort of healthy self-image and that in fact was a good thing to do once a person had made a personal decision. We decided to keep it in the collection."

It is only one of some 400,000 books in the five Saginaw libraries. But it is part of the diversity of books that can be found in any public library.

"Many Voices, Many Books: Strength Through Diversity" is the theme of National Banned Books Week, Sept. 23-30, sponsored by the library association. "There are a lot of ideas out there I don't agree with," says Ms. Krug, the association's guardian. "But I don't think you can fight ideas unless you know what they are. The solution to a bad idea is a good idea, and ideas do build on one another."

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Libraries once practiced a concept of balance, both sides of a controversy. But those were simpler days, when there were only two sides. Things are so complex, opinions so varied, that librarians now embrace the concept of diversity. But that does not keep them out of trouble.

For instance, the library association filed one of the record number of 80-plus amicus curiae briefs with the Supreme Court in the Missouri abortion case. It was somehow listed on the abortion side, and may have lost

some members because of it. The Missouri statute would have limited the ability of publicly supported health care officials to "counsel or encourage" a woman to have an abortion. "We have materials in our collections that do just that," says Ms. Krug, "often in very strong terms. Our concern was just keeping them available on the shelf."

"If we had lost on that issue, which we did not, it would have been the first time in our history that government had said that you may not have some kind of information in publicly supported institutions."

Pat Conroy was understandably angry when his own hometown turned against his best-selling *Prince of Tides*, the story of a South Carolina shrimper's family. "Anytime the extreme right or the extreme left gets in, books are always the first to go," he says.

It started when English teacher Judy Fitzgerald of the St. Andrews Parish assigned the book to her advanced English class, and asked them to obtain their parents' permission, a standard operating procedure. After all, the class had already read *The Scarlet Letter* with no objection.

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But the Rev. Elton Johnson Jr., himself a former English teacher, objected, calling it "trashy pulp pornography." He said he only scanned the first 50 of 567 pages and found enough explicit language to "gag a maggot."

It used language that students were not free to use in the classroom, he says. "No freedom anywhere is without bounds."

Some students and faculty rebelled and put up signs saying, "Sorry, this quote had to be censored due to the fact that you might learn something."

But despite the fact that many of the students read the book anyway, and the school board stopped short of banning the book, it brought pressure on teachers to take more care in assignments. Fitzgerald felt she had to withdraw the assignment.

"My students are writers in training," she said. "It's very important for them to see that this dream of success can be achieved out of South Carolina and that they're not just hicks studying the realm of the untouchable."

Says author Conroy, "This will scare teachers from assigning books with any controversy at all. They're cutting the 20th century from literature."

At the base of many current censorship attempts is the Supreme Court ruling that upheld the right of a Missouri school board to censor a student newspaper. The extension of that ruling to school libraries is being tested in Florida.

Despite the constant battle to preserve the sanctity of the shelves, the passion for censorship continues unabated.

In Louisville, Colo., an elementary school banned Halloween when parents said it promoted devil worship. The ban was lifted when other parents protested it was depriving their children of enjoyable activities.

But in North Pole, Alaska, named after Santa's home base, a school banned the use of the word Christmas in the holiday season on the basis that it violates separation of church and state. The ban remains.

'Blocky' tries to teach youth of AIDS danger

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HOUSTON (AP) — "Blocky" is not going to threaten Nintendo's hold on the youth of America, but a couple of researchers from the University of Texas are hoping the video game creature helps protect young people from the ravages of AIDS.

"Blocky" is the hero in "BLOCKAIDS," a video game youngsters can play at the Houston Museum of Medical Science. Players score points by correctly answering questions about acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

The game also allows players to look up AIDS information in the computer in the form of "hints" that allow them to answer the questions correctly but for a reduced number of points.

Some of the same questions may reappear later in the game, allowing the player to gain full points for a correct answer, and indicate to researchers that the remembering of the AIDS fact is having the desired effect of educating people.

"We decided on a game as opposed to other, more traditional methods of teaching, because we felt adolescents would be more receptive to a game," said Craig Johnson, associate professor of biomedical communications at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston.

"How many teen-agers are actually going to read the Surgeon General's reports on AIDS?"

Johnson and Bill Fetter, a fellow researcher and assistant professor, came up with the game idea, a kind of video tic-tac-toe. When a player gives a correct answer, "Blocky" zaps an evil AIDS virus who previously rested in the square. Completion of a row sends the player to a new screen and the opportunity to score more points.

Fetter said the tic-tac-toe concept was selected because kids already know how to play the game.

"If we created an entirely new design, we would spend more time teaching them how to play the game than teaching them about AIDS," Fetter said.

"It was apparent there is a strong need for AIDS education," Johnson said. "An entire generation could be at risk. There was a need to put this into a format that would grab and

hold the attention of adolescents. We wanted to make a contribution."

On their own time and at their own expense, Fetter and Johnson and two school graduates assembled the game during evenings and on weekends.

"Our perception is it's the first game of its kind in AIDS education and the first to be based on the surgeon general's report on AIDS," Fetter said.

The game has been part of a hands-on display at the museum since March. The computer program, which also asks general demographic data like age, race and sex, is set up to record the answers of people who play it so researchers can analyze the data and identify those facets of the disease most misunderstood.

"At this point, we don't have a good handle on the impact," Johnson said. "We've just started collecting the data."

In coming up with the design, a block for the hero made sense "because we were looking at blocking AIDS," Fetter said. They also gave him boxing gloves and running shoes.

The villain AIDS virus, with bloodshot eyes and an evil toothy grimace, is not unlike a microscopic representation of the real AIDS virus, he said.

The 250 questions are pulled from the surgeon general's report on AIDS. Johnson, an educational psychologist, said repeating some of the questions promotes retention.

Typical of questions is whether AIDS is on the increase, or how does one contract AIDS, or is it possible to get AIDS by merely being in a tent with an AIDS carrier. (It is not.)

"One of the issues we're dealing with is that we felt there are a lot of myths about AIDS," Johnson said.

Although the museum game, powered by an IBM computer, is a one-of-a-kind now, he said it has the potential for use in school computers. It also is designed so new information about AIDS can be inserted easily.

"This is in a museum, but displays like this could be in lots of other places, like shopping malls, convenience stores, military bases and school cafeterias," Johnson said. "They need to be put in places where people need the help most."

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