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Summit plans draw praise

By BRYAN BRUMLEY
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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is drawing bipartisan praise with his announcement of a seawater summit Dec. 2-3 with Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev to discuss "dynamic change" in the communist world.

Bush, making the announcement Tuesday, said the meeting will not focus on strategic arms reduction talks but instead will allow the leaders "to put up our feet" and "deepen our respective understanding of each other's views."

"I don't want to have two gigantic ships pass in the night because of failed communication," Bush said. "I just didn't want to — in this time of dynamic change — miss something, something that I might get better firsthand from Mr. Gorbachev."

The December meeting, to be held on U.S. and Soviet warships on alternate days in the Mediterranean Sea, would be the first presidential meeting between Bush and Gorbachev. They met previously in New York on Dec. 7, 1988, when Bush was vice president and president-elect.

Bush and Gorbachev still plan to meet next spring or summer to discuss arms control in a more formal setting, said the president and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who made a simultaneous announcement in Moscow.

The decision to meet less formally before the end of 1989 "is a very positive thing," said House Speaker Thomas S. Foley, D-

Wash., adding that he hoped the meeting would "stimulate greater speed in moving on the arms control proposal."

"I think a saltwater summit is a good idea," said Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas. "An informal meeting at sea could provide the right atmosphere to get things moving in several channels, including trade as well as arms control."

The deputy GOP leader in the Senate, Alan Simpson of Wyoming, said, "It is a good time to have a meeting."

But the senior Republican on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., said it was "more public relations" by Gorbachev.

"I hope that no fundamental decisions of any sort will be made," said Helms, one of the few members of Congress to criticize the announcement.

One of Bush's most vocal critics, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, applauded the meeting, but repeated his charge that Bush was too "timid" in responding to Gorbachev's domestic reforms, the democratic changes in Poland and Hungary, and the demands for freedom in East Germany and Czechoslovakia.

Bush, who earlier had rejected calls for an early meeting with Gorbachev, told a news conference that "what changed my mind on it was consultation with our allies; the rapidity of change in Eastern Europe; the emergence of democracies in this hemisphere; and this concept of ... dynamic change is something that I might get better firsthand from Mr. Gor-

bachev."

The president rejected suggestions that he proposed the informal meeting to deflect domestic criticism and to help Gorbachev fend off rivals.

"That's not why we are doing it, but if that should be the fallout, so be it," said Bush. "I've elected to remain very quiet in the face of a good deal of sentiment that we were missing an opportunity."

White House Chief of Staff John Sununu, asked what country Bush would use as the staging area for the talks, said, "We don't know yet." However, sources suggested that Naples, Italy, a major seaport, was the most likely area.

Officials said they did not know if first ladies Barbara Bush and Raisa Gorbachev would accompany their husbands.

The idea for the informal meeting began when Bush visited Poland and Hungary in July and reformers there urged him to support Gorbachev's efforts to change the Soviet bloc. On the plane home, he wrote Gorbachev a letter proposing the meeting, aides said.

Although Gorbachev responded "immediately and enthusiastically" in August, said Bush, the planning was secret, known only to top White House advisers, Secretary of State James A. Baker III and a few of his senior aides.

Bush and Gorbachev are expected to hold the talks only with a handful of senior aides rather than the cumbersome working groups typical of earlier summits, said administration sources.



(AP Laserphoto)

President Bush gestures to reporters Tuesday.



(AP Laserphoto)

House speaker Thomas Foley of Wash., left, and Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., announce minimum wage agreement.

Minimum wage may be raised soon

By JOHN KING
AP Labor Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation raising the minimum wage to \$4.25 an hour by April 1991 is on the fast track in Congress, following a compromise between the Bush administration and Democratic leaders that ends an eight-year stalemate.

The House planned to vote on the proposal Tuesday and Senate leaders promised action before Thanksgiving. Barring unforeseen problems, President Bush could sign the bill by then as well, triggering the first minimum wage increase in nine years on April 1, 1990.

The measure would create a new "subminimum wage" for teen-agers with little job experience, allowing them to be paid 85 percent of the minimum wage for their first three months in the work force. The lower

rate could be extended for another three months if an employer showed that the youths were receiving specific skills training.

"This package offers the promise of better wages for the working men and women of this country and gives incentives to create new jobs for our young people," Bush said in a written statement that commended organized labor and congressional leaders.

"This is a victory for working men and women and I think long overdue," House Speaker Thomas S. Foley, D-Wash., said Tuesday after the deal was struck.

Both sides made significant concessions in an effort to avoid a repeat of Bush's veto of minimum wage legislation earlier this year, which was sustained by the House.

Democrats acknowledged

giving ground but said it was necessary to guarantee a boost in the minimum wage, which has been frozen at \$3.35 an hour since January 1981 in a stalemate that lasted throughout the Reagan administration. Democrats promised to reconsider the issue before the 1992 presidential and congressional elections.

AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland said organized labor would "welcome the long overdue agreement on the minimum wage" and urged Congress to pass it swiftly.

The compromise would boost the minimum wage to \$3.80 on April 1 and provide the final 45-cent increase to \$4.25 on April 1, 1991.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., chairman of the Senate Labor Committee, said the minimum wage would already be \$4.79 an hour if adjusted to

account for inflation since 1981.

"That is the measure of how far we have failed the test of fairness to the working poor," Kennedy said. "Our only answer to them is that this is the best compromise we can get from an administration that wanted to give them even less."

The subminimum wage could be paid to any worker age 16 to 19 with less than three months total job experience. Once that threshold was met, the subminimum could be paid for up to an additional three months only when the employer had a training program subject to Labor Department approval.

No worker over age 20 or with six months' work experience could be paid the subminimum wage, and the lower wage would expire in April 1993 unless reauthorized by Congress.

Classical musician brings love of craft to entranced Pampa school children

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

For anyone who has played the piano for 50 years, there might be a temptation to take the instrument for granted. Anyone except Ann Heiligman Saslav.

Saslav, a renowned classical musician, is in Pampa this week bringing her love for music and the keyboard to local elementary school children.

Her tour of Pampa is being co-sponsored by the public school district and the Texas Commission on the Arts.

And it is capturing the hearts and imaginations of students all over the city.

"I think they told me that I have performed for over 4 million school children," Saslav said Tuesday, following performances at Baker and Travis Elementaries. Monday she performed at Wilson and Lamar schools.

"I try to bring children through my doorway," she said, "I want the audience to be enraptured and to go to the world of Mozart and Bach."

"When I hear a child say, 'That's beautiful!', then I know they understand."

For youngsters more accustomed to rock 'n' roll and rap, Saslav's performances have been trips into a

brave new world, a world many of them immensely enjoyed.

At each of her performances, students have sat entranced, caught in the spell of Saslav's love for music.

For the 53-year-old performer, a pianist since age 3 who gave her first professional concert at age 15 with the Houston Symphony, performing for first graders is every bit as gratifying as her concerts in some of the world's most prestigious halls.

"I'm fascinated with new things, new cities and new events," she explained. "I'm a very serious musician. After doing this all day, I will spend two hours this afternoon with a new piece, and without a piano, back in my hotel room."

"I will learn the piece mentally before I ever begin to work on it with a piano."

Saslav and her husband, Isidor Saslav, concert master for the New Zealand Symphony, perform around the world as the Saslav Duo, she on keyboards, he on the violin.

Then there are her solo concerts, in schools and more classical settings, and her performances with symphonies. It keeps her busy. So much so that she has two homes, one in the small east Texas town of Overton and the other in New Zealand.

"The minute I'm through here (in the United States) in April, I will fly over and do 54 concerts minimum over there," she said.

In spite of her fame and achievement, Saslav is uneasy talking about the monetary side of the music world, a side that gets much attention in the area of commercial entertainment.

"I had a friend of mine ... say, 'What happened to the word craft? You can focus on your craft and know your notes and the inspiration will come. If you don't know your craft, how can inspiration come?'" she asked.

Such talk probably classifies Saslav as a renaissance woman.

"The great musicians didn't worry about money," she said. "They focused on their art, their craft."

Saslav congratulated Pampa school administrators Jane Steele and Arlene Gibson for bringing classical music into the lives of local children.

"A school could easily have a magician or puppet show. But hopefully I will give them something that will last a lifetime," she said.

Saslav described her school concerts as having a no-fail format. Each one is contoured to the appreciation level and awareness of that audience. She began her shows this

week with an introduction to the piano, then asked selected students and teachers to accompany her in a variety of ways in performing.

To demonstrate how musicians are unequaly, Saslav asked a student at each school to bounce a basketball at varying speeds as she followed the changing tempo.

Students also clapped along to Joplin and pasted random music notes on a board, from which Saslav created a piece of music.

"I have forged my own path," she said of her mixture of concerts for children and adults. "You have to have a deep intellectual knowledge of your subject. You must see the beauty there."

Several teachers around the district have marveled at the way Saslav managed to keep even the most unruly of children keenly focused on her performance. Her range is from classical masterpieces to fun tunes, imitating butterflies and bears with the notes.

"It's a great calling to bring classical concert music into the schools," Saslov said. "It really is an extraordinary opportunity."

The school children who heard Saslav perform this week indicated by their response that the privilege was all theirs.



(Staff photo by Bear Mills)

Saslav at the keyboards with Lamar students Stacy Brown, a third grader, and Damion Nickelberry, fifth grade. The two students were among several around the district who helped Saslav during her concerts this week.

Ortega suspends truce with Contra rebels

By DORALISA PILARTE
Associated Press Writer

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — President Daniel Ortega today ended his leftist Sandinista government's 19-month truce with the Contra rebels, blaming recent attacks by the guerrillas.

Ortega told a news conference that President Bush was in part responsible because he was "supporting terrorism in Nicaragua."

But suspending the truce, Ortega was inviting renewed U.S. military aid to the Contras.

Ortega startled a meeting of hemispheric heads of state in Costa Rica Friday by announcing he would not renew the cease-fire as the government has done monthly. He had since been softening his stance.

By going through with the threat, he could trigger international condemnation and loss of support of Western European friends, who in the past have defied U.S. pressure and aided Nicaragua's leftist Sandinista government.

President Bush said Tuesday he would review U.S. policy toward Nicaragua if Ortega ends the cease-fire.

Asked if he would consider asking Congress to renew military aid to the Contras, Bush said, "I would re-evaluate this situation in a minute if the cease-fire is broken."

President Ortega, his defense and interior ministers, international observers of Nicaragua's electoral process and a U.S. Embassy official, traveled by helicopter Tuesday to the site of the latest reported attack by the rebels.

After returning from the site, a remote village 200 miles southeast of Managua, the top Sandinista officials met for four hours with their top military officers.

The Contras were forced to the negotiating table with the Sandinistas after Congress refused to renew weapons and ammunition supplies to the Contras in February 1988.

A month later, the Contras and Sandinistas signed a temporary cease-fire which the Sandinistas have renewed on a monthly basis. Talks to turn the agreement into a lasting peace broke down in September 1988.

About 11,000 Contras have since withdrawn to base camps in jungles across the border in Honduras.

At the San Jose summit, called to celebrate 100 years of Costa Rican democracy, Ortega said continued attacks by the 2,000 to 3,000 Contras who remain in Nicaragua were forcing him to break the truce.

More than 730 people have been killed and more than 1,000 wounded in Contra attacks since the truce was signed, he said.

Ortega was immediately condemned and world leaders expressed concern about his risking the painstaking peace process in Central America as well as Nicaragua's scheduled elections Feb. 25.

By Saturday, Ortega had wavered, telling reporters at the Managua airport he would think it over and announce a decision Tuesday.

On Monday he went further, asking the Rev. Jesse Jackson to try to persuade Congress to divert non-lethal aid to the Contras into funds for their demobilization.

But late Monday, a group of about 30 Contras attacked an eight-family farm cooperative near San Miguelito, a village on the southern shores of Lake Nicaragua, the Defense Ministry said.



MIGUELITO, Nicaragua — Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, right, looks over the coffins Tuesday of four people reportedly killed by Contra rebels at a farming cooperative near San Miguelito, 198 miles southeast of Managua.

Flag burning protestor cries 'miscarriage of justice'

By PETE YOST
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The protestor who started the furor over flag burning says it's "a miscarriage of justice" that he won't be part of the first court test of the nation's new flag protection law.

"This is a case of selective non-prosecution," attorney William Kunstler complained Tuesday after the government decided not to charge Gregory Johnson, who was arrested with three other demonstrators during a flag-burning protest Monday on the Capitol steps.

Johnson's conviction for burning a flag at the 1984 Republican National Convention led to the Supreme Court ruling in June that such activity is protected under the First Amendment.

Charges were filed Tuesday against the other three protesters, but the U.S. attorney's office said there was insufficient evidence to charge Johnson.

"I was there," complained Johnson. "I am outraged" at not being prosecuted, he said, adding that the government's decision was a "miscarriage of justice."

Putting Johnson in the case

with the three other demonstrators would have been "too much of an organizing tool" for opponents of the new law, which took effect on Saturday, said Kunstler.

Johnson, who spent Monday night in jail with the three co-defendants, called the government's decision "an act of cowardice on the part of (President) Bush and the administration."

U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens said his office, not Bush administration officials, decided the evidence was too thin to charge Johnson.

The charges against the three "vindicate the deep offense Americans feel ... regarding desecration of the national symbol," said Stephens.

The protesters chanted "burn, baby, burn" as they ripped and burned American flags on the Capitol steps. Capitol police tore pieces of a shredded flag from the hands of one protester and later aimed fire extinguishers at the burning remnants.

The Flag Protection Act of 1989, which took effect Saturday without President Bush's signature, carries penalties of up to one

year in jail and a \$1,000 fine for anyone who "knowingly mutilates, defaces, physically defiles, burns, maintains on the floor or ground, or tramples upon any flag of the United States."

Bush has sought a constitutional amendment to ban flag burning, contending that the statute would not withstand a court test.

The law sparked a series of protest flag burnings in cities across the country over the weekend.

U.S. Magistrate Deborah Robinson released the defendants

on their own recognizance, requiring them to report weekly to federal pre-trial services offices.

The case will be assigned to a U.S. District Court judge in Washington. Kunstler said he hoped the case would be before the Supreme Court on an expedited appeal within two months.

The three charged with violating the law are Dave Blalock, a Vietnam veteran who became an anti-war activist; Shawn Eichman, a 24-year-old New York City artist; and Scott Tyler, 24, whose controversial display of the flag at a Chicago art exhibit earlier this year prompted demonstrations.

Spooks on parade



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramora)

Pictured are the winners of the City of Pampa Park Department's annual Halloween Parade. They are, front row, from left: Zachary Soto, Spookiest; Natalie McVay, Prettiest; K'Lee Ratzlaff, honorable mention; and Aaron Fought, Ugliest. Back row, from left, are Jana McLean, Most Original; Cinthia Cordova, Prettiest; Chris Phillips, Ugliest; Joshua Brookshire, Most Original and Tina Smith, Spookiest. Two winners were announced in each category. Winners received \$50 and \$25 savings bonds and certificates donated by local businesses.

Saudi oil minister urges stability in world market

By KELLEY SHANNON
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SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Touting the notion of "reciprocal security," Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Hisham Nazer said his country is sticking to its OPEC quota and wants to see a healthy oil market in the United States.

"We are now an integral part of the United States oil market, and the return on our investment depends on its health," Nazer said Tuesday to the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

One-fifth of the oil supplied by Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil exporter, goes to the United States, which last year accounted for about one-fourth of total oil

imports, he said. "We cannot prosper without each other," Nazer said.

Responding to reports that Saudi Arabia is producing 5.4 million barrels of oil a day, Nazer said: "We are sticking to our (OPEC) quota."

He said his nation's OPEC oil quota is 5.14 million barrels a day. Its oil reserves are estimated at 252 billion barrels, but could be as high as 315 billion barrels, Nazer said, adding that overall world reserves are 950 billion barrels.

While Nazer said Saudi Arabia alone cannot stabilize the world oil market, he said the country wants stability.

"Saudi Arabia believes in reasonable and stable oil prices which

allow appropriate returns to producers. Unreasonably high or unreasonably low prices give both producers and consumers misleading signals," he said.

The oil minister told the independent oil producers that "high-cost, low-reserve" producers' role in the marketplace is still an important one, although it is a declining force.

"Their output, and their continuing presence in the market, is essential in a situation of robust demand. And their presence becomes all the more important in times of excess demand, which may well be the situation in the future," he said.

Nazer said oil customers must know oil and natural gas will con-

tinue to flow at a reasonable price. But he also said the concept of energy security must apply to oil producers as well as consumers.

"It is not only you that needs the oil. It is also us who needs the markets," he said.

Reciprocal security, Nazer said, is a simple equation of oil supply and demand. "You need the oil, we have the oil," he said, as some in the crowd of about 1,000 chuckled.

Regarding oil prices in the first quarter of 1990, Nazer told reporters: "I don't see how you can get lower prices with higher demand."

He declined to discuss what actions the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries might take at an upcoming November meeting.

Hackney says transport of toxic chemicals to be issue

AUSTIN (AP) — Democrat Clint Hackney, making his second bid for the Texas Railroad Commission, says transport of toxic chemicals will be a key issue in this campaign.

Hackney, who lost last year to Republican Kent Hance, said Tuesday he's ready to spend \$1.5 million to win the job in 1990.

"Like it or not, I think this is definitely a million-dollar race. I think a million dollars could win this race. But I plan on spending \$11/2 million just to make sure," Hackney said, adding that he has \$250,000 so far and another \$500,000 in pledges.

On the Republican side, former Amarillo congressman and unsuccessful U.S. Senate candidate Beau Boulter hopes to replace Hance, who is running for governor.

Hackney is a four-term Texas House member who served on the Transportation Committee and chaired the Energy Committee. Since the Railroad Commission regulates both the transportation

and oil and gas industries, Hackney said he's the best-qualified candidate.

"I have the experience. I know the issues. I want the job," he said. "I'm running for this seat because I think I can make a difference in the future of Texas, not because I need a place to land after losing a race for the Senate or for governor."

Hackney, who followed the path of a chemical-carrying "death train" during his 1988 campaign, said transportation safety remains a key issue.

"It's still going to be an issue when I'm on the Texas Railroad Commission because we still lead the nation in toxic chemical spills. And I'm not going to stop on that until Texas is the safest state in which to transport toxic chemicals," he said.

Hackney also urged a "coherent national energy policy," noting that the United States now is importing more oil than is produced domestically.

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Opinion

Gorbomania needs some cautious care

Mikhail Gorbachev continues to have more problems with nay-sayers within the Politburo than with his cheering section in the West.

Secretary of State James Baker said that a "historic opportunity" now exists to effect a "lasting improvement" in Soviet-American relations. "We want *perestroika* to succeed," he said, referring to Gorbachev's economic restructuring program. He offered to send American economic advisers to Moscow.

Baker's pronouncements closely followed calls from Congress, especially from Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, for the administration to support Gorbachev's reforms.

Before all of Washington becomes giddy with Gorbomania, a few words of caution may be advisable. As William F. Buckley Jr. has pointed out, the Soviet Union is acting rather peculiarly for a regime that needs outside help. It keeps increasing its military expenditures by 3 percent per year — even as America's defense expenditures decrease by about the same amount. And the Soviets continue pouring \$1.5 billion worth of armaments into the army of its puppet regime in Kabul, Afghanistan. It also supports the communist regimes in Cuba, Nicaragua and Vietnam.

Given these actions, why should we want to aid the Soviet economy? Certainly, any move toward freer markets in the Soviet Union is a good thing. In the end, such changes will bring further freedom to the Soviet people. But the changes must be forced by internal pressures. Should the West give the Soviets artificial aid, paid for by citizen's tax money, we would only be propping up the current system, allowing the Kremlin to postpone further real change.

Baker's proposal is modest — for now. But sending American advisers usually leads to sending them money to play with. In fact, there's no convincing need to send advisers. If we want to show the Soviets how to run a free economy, we need only send them a few books by such free-market economists as Milton Friedman and Friedrich Hayek, both Nobel Prize laureates.

Meanwhile, just as Baker was speaking of that "historic opportunity" in New York, Gorbachev was giving a lesson in glasnost in Moscow. He attacked Vladislav A. Starkov, editor of the weekly *Argumenty i Fakty (Arguments and Facts)*, for publishing a poll on members of the Soviet Parliament. And he blasted Yuri N. Afanasyev, a leader of a radical minority in the Parliament. Gorbachev prodded Afanasyev to turn in his Communist Party card for publishing opinions "that do not conform with party views."

Glasnost seems to have its limits. Is a major Stalinist crackdown coming? We can't know. But the Bush administration should make sure that it has no part in helping prop up a regime that still maintains such powers of tyranny, or a dictator who can punish those disagreeing with "party views."

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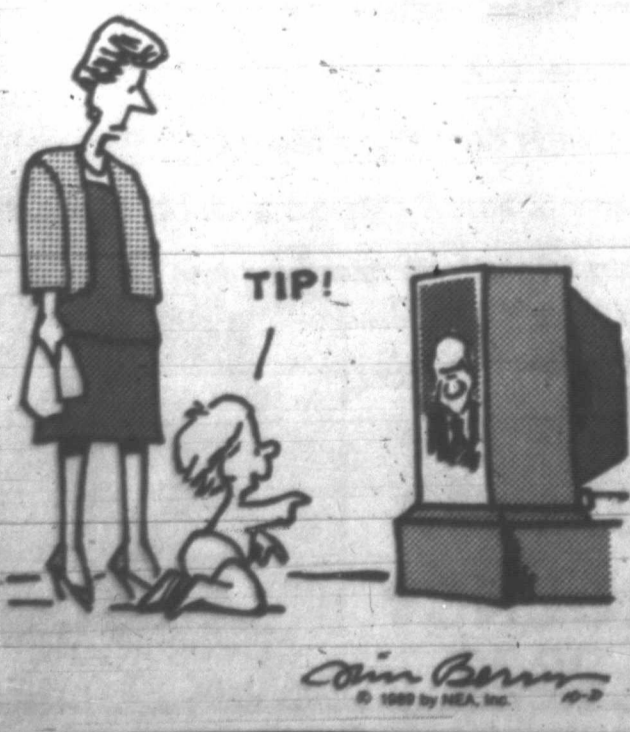
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Capital gains tax cut not evil

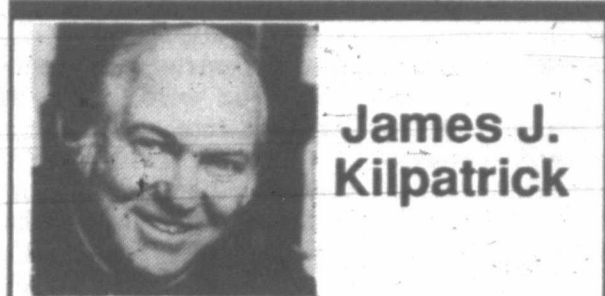
From the moment George Bush proposed a major cut in the tax on capital gains, two objections have dominated debate. The first is that although such a reduction would raise revenues at first, it would cost the treasury heavily thereafter. The second is that a reduction would unfairly benefit the filthy rich.

Now comes a fresh and knowledgeable voice to contend that these objections are hokum. Economist Gary Robbins, writing under the auspices of the National Center for Policy Analysis, examines the proposal that passed the House on Sept. 28. This is the measure sponsored by Ed Jenkins of Georgia and Bill Archer of Texas. It is now in conference with the Senate.

Under Jenkins-Archer, the top rate of taxation on capital gains would be reduced from 33 percent to 19.6 percent. After 1991, the top would be fixed at 28 percent, but gains would be indexed to reflect inflation. The measure would apply to stocks, bonds and real estate (including timber), but not to such collectibles as works of art.

Robbins has impressive credentials. He served as a tax analyst for the Treasury Department in 1976-81 and then served for three years as chief of the Treasury's Applied Econometric Staff. He is now in private practice as president of Fiscal Associates. His paper for the National Center for Policy Analysis is carefully footnoted. He provides the mathematical formulas on which his projections are based.

This is what Robbins says. A reduction in capital gains taxation is not a loser. It's a winner. Far from increasing the federal deficit, the Jenkins-Archer plan would bring in net additional revenues



James J. Kilpatrick

of \$61 billion over the next 10 years. In this period the plan would increase the gross national product by \$40 billion. It would create 400,000 permanent new jobs by 1992 and 750,000 new jobs by 1995.

Robbins acknowledges that his cheerful projections are far removed from the gloom-and-doom forecasts of the Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation, but he insists that his revenue estimates are consistent with almost all other scholarly studies in this field. He cites a recent review of academic literature to prove his point. Two studies by Treasury Department analysts also support his contention that "government revenue will go up when capital gains tax rates go down."

Four factors, Robbins says, affect revenues from a tax on capital gains. These are the rate effect, the volume effect, the conversion effect and the effect of an increase in the stock of capital.

A rate reduction to 19.6 percent, taken alone, would cost the Treasury an estimated \$135.9 billion over a 10-year period. As investors seek to convert ordinary income to capital gains, there would be a further loss of \$35.1 billion. But a large

er volume of asset sales would produce \$149.3 billion in offsetting revenues. The three factors, taken together, would leave the Treasury down \$21.7 billion for the decade.

The trouble with the doom-and-gloom analysts, says Robbins, is that they give little or no account to the fourth factor — the effect of an increase in the stock of capital. This would develop under Jenkins-Archer as the lower rate of taxation makes investment more attractive relative to consumption. The reduction also would make investment in the United States more attractive than investment abroad. Robbins calculates the gains from this source at \$83.1 billion over the 10 years, giving him \$61.4 billion in net gain.

To the second major objection, that Jenkins-Archer primarily would benefit the filthy rich, Robbins makes two responses. The first, in effect, is, so what? A reduction in capital gains taxes ought not to be viewed in isolation; it must be seen in the context of taxation totally. Wealthy individuals get no free ride.

His second point is that middle-income taxpayers also would benefit from the Jenkins-Archer reduction. More than half of all families with income from \$50,000 to \$75,000 would have a capital gain equal to about 7.7 percent of family income.

Let me confess my ignorance of revenue analysis at Robbins' level of sophistication. I look at his formulas and my eyes glaze over. All the same, it is refreshing to read the dissenting opinion of a well-credentialed economist. Maybe a reduction in capital gains taxation isn't as evil as *The Washington Post* contends.



The future lies in our genes

The *Atlantic* has published a cover article on "The Cholesterol Myth."

It says: "Lowering your cholesterol is next to impossible with diet ... and it won't make you live any longer anyway."

It also says: "There is no evidence at all that lowering your cholesterol level will lengthen your life."

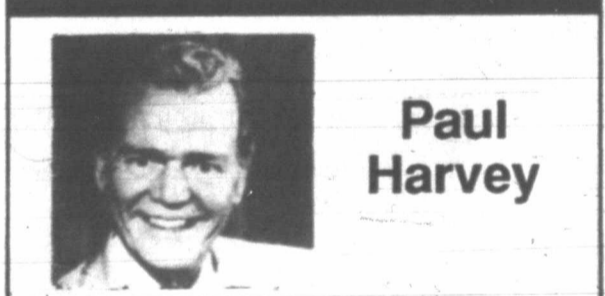
In summation, this comprehensive study offers its most significant conclusion, that we individuals are "so different" in our tolerances and in our immune reactions that one man's meat is another man's poison.

"So complex are the interactions among food compounds and so varied are the chemistry and the behavior of individuals ... that what's 'safe and effective' for some may not be for others."

If any enduring truth is emerging about human beings and diet and medication, it is that everybody is remarkably different.

This explains why our nation's Food and Drug Administration is frequently confounded by its own research.

The arthritis drug, Therafectin, does help some



Paul Harvey

patients. Early Alzheimer's disease can be diagnosed by brain tissue shrinkage in some people.

Colon cancer is naturally prevented by the presence of a compound known as plasmaloptene — in some people.

Almost all of us have head colds, but some don't.

Almost all of us have certain childhood diseases but do not develop multiple sclerosis.

Physiological variables are such that it is almost impossible to decree that such-and-such foods, medicine or behavior is "good for you" or is "bad

for you" because you are very individual.

And much of that individuality we are discovering is genetic, is inherited.

You and I are predisposed to certain strengths and weaknesses in our immune systems.

The intermarried Amish people of Lancaster County, Pa., are particularly susceptible to a wide range of hereditary disorders, including congenital deafness.

Today our \$5 billion biotechnology industry is entering its decade of truth. The first transfer of foreign genes into humans has been accomplished without any of the ill effects which fear-mongers predicted.

We know now that genetically altered cells can survive in humans.

Anxiety about "selective breeding" being misused to create a "super race" is diminishing as genetic engineers demonstrate we may no longer be doomed by inherited weaknesses.

Within a decade we will alter human genes as casually as we now erase wrinkles and with the prospect of unprecedented disease resistance for us all.

Pierce's accusers have no clothes on

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

I am as ready as the next person to be entertained by a really good show. So when the curtain rose on "The HUD Scandals" (producer, Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif.; director, Philip Shenon, reporter, *N.Y. Times*), I settled back and got ready to be shocked, or at any rate as shocked as I nowadays can be, by disclosures that HUD's distribution of billions of dollars, purportedly to help the poor, was shot through with corruption.

I didn't mind greatly that the (presumed) corruption seemed to have occurred in the Reagan administration. My hero could hardly be expected to be everywhere and know everything that was going on in the monster bureaucracy he nominally presided over. Besides, I knew that HUD and its profligate ways with money are essentially products of the liberal-Democratic dispensation I am forever inveighing against.

I wasn't even especially perturbed

that the man cast as the chief villain in the melodrama was an old acquaintance of mine from our days, 30 years ago, in the New York Young Republican Club: Sam Pierre. Sam had always struck me as a rather cautious Mr. Clean, but if he had indeed gotten his hand stuck in the cookie jar — well, that was just tough.

But I have been waiting now for what seems like eons for the other shoe to drop, and it hasn't dropped. True, when ordered before Lantos' committee to testify under oath about hundreds of documents that he and his lawyers hadn't had time to inspect, Pierre took the Fifth — a device which, if it is only a delaying tactic, needn't be fatal. But assuming Pierre does eventually answer all relevant questions, without contributing to the record far more evidence of malfeasance than is already there, I am afraid "The HUD Scandals" is a turkey that deserves to close out of town.

As far as I can discover, Lantos

and his loyal journalistic Sancho Panza, Philip Shenon, have yet to turn up one iota of proof that Pierre, or anybody else at HUD, took so much as one thin dime, or anything else of value, in return for authorizing the expenditure of a single dollar of federal money on some housing project for the poor.

And that, at bottom, is what they're going to have to prove. Tom Lantos is pretty good at sarcastic repartee at the expense of witnesses (a practice, incidentally, that he would drop in a hurry if any of them were clients of mine). And Phil Shenon has found, in those scores of files cartons he obtained under the Freedom of Information Act, plenty of evidence (1) that lots of prominent Republicans, writing to Pierre in aid of this or that housing project, affectionally addressed him as "Dear Sam"; (2) that while some of them wrote their letters out of disinterested kindness, others were paid substantial fees to work for approval of a particu-

lar project; and (3) that HUD did subsequently approve some of the projects.

But so what? Isn't that exactly what HUD was designed to do? And since when is it a crime, or even in poor taste, for a Cabinet officer to respond politely, and with an open mind, to the recommendations of prominent figures in his own party? (And also, incidentally, in the other party — a whole passel of Democrats, including Barney Frank, importuned Pierre.)

Sorry boys, but it isn't nearly enough. Just breathing heavily and declaring that "within a few weeks, top aides to Mr. Pierre cut through the red tape for which the housing department was notorious and approved" some project a leading Republican had spoken up for, proves nothing at all.

You evidently think you're an emperor, Lantos; but you have no clothes on.

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Two more bodies discovered on quake-damaged highway

By STEVE WILSTEIN
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Two more bodies were pulled from the rubble of Interstate 880, and authorities said they did not expect to find any more victims at the earthquake-flattened highway.

The discoveries raised the death toll from the Oct. 17 earthquake to 66.

The bodies of Joyce Ann Mabry, 31, of Berkeley, and James J. Flores, 39, of Rohnert Park were recovered as searchers slowly pulled apart the double-decked Oakland freeway.

"It's a terrible thought to think that somebody you love is up there in the rain, the cold, the night, and it's hard to describe, but we're glad he's down," Flores' brother, Leonard, said Tuesday.

"Gradually, as time goes on we'll be able to continue life and,

like I said, put flowers on his grave and talk good things about him and not think of him as he was in that smashed truck like that."

Flores, whose body was found Tuesday, had a teen-age child. The body of Mabry, who had a 3-year-old son, was discovered late Monday.

Forty-one bodies have been recovered at the highway, the most of any single location hit by the quake.

"We have no reason to believe there are any more bodies there," said Alameda County sheriff's Sgt. Jim Knudsen. "We're checking the vehicles for personal belongings."

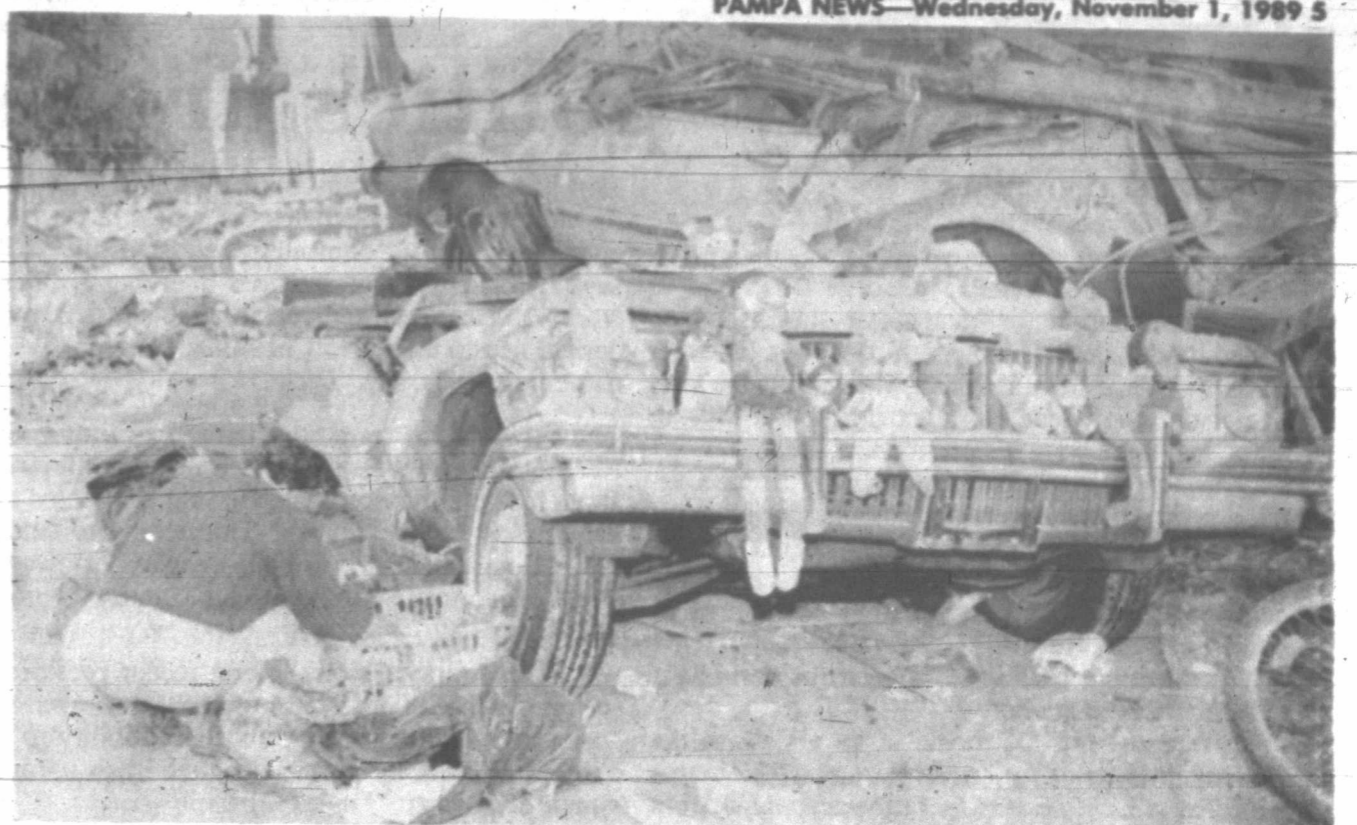
The 7.1-magnitude quake that spread ruin along a 90-mile swath from Watsonville north to San Francisco and Oakland was the focus of a hearing Tuesday by the state Seismic Safety Commission in San Francisco.

"Seismic reinforcing has been painfully slow and has depended upon available money and social priorities," said Chairman Lloyd S. Cluff. "It is clear that our earthquake hazards reduction program needs to take giant steps to make significant progress before the next damaging earthquake."

Cluff said California must urgently allocate time and money now to save thousands of lives and billions of dollars in the future earthquakes.

The task of the 14-year-old commission is to make recommendations to the governor and Legislature on what should be done to reduce quake hazards.

Throughout the earthquake-battered region, damage reports continued to mount. The Federal Emergency Management Agency said 32,708 people had registered for disaster aid by Tuesday night.



SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — Mimi Dougherty searches for personal items from the rubble of her Marina District building destroyed during the Oct. 17 earthquake. Dougherty was manager of the building owned by her grandparents.

Baby saved from river fights for life

By ELLEN MILLER
Associated Press Writer

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. (AP) — A month-old baby from Houston was breathing through a ventilator as doctors worked to keep her alive after she was pulled from a car that skidded into a river. Her mother and two grandparents died in the crash.

Samantha Venable's 19-year-old father, Gabriel Rivera, said his baby, who had been submerged 45 minutes in the frigid water, was a "real fighter who's going to make it."

Several of his relatives were at the hospital, touching and kissing the 9-pound infant who lay with life-supporting tubes stuck in her tiny limbs.

"We were going to get married in December," Rivera, of Kingwood, Texas, said about his baby's mother.

"Now it's just me and the baby. I feel ... no, I believe, she will survive."

Dr. Jim Piper said Tuesday the baby's "short-term and long-term outlooks are in grave doubt," but added that she was responding to treatment.

"She seems somewhat more stable, although no one could give you a good outlook now," he said.

Piper said it would be impossible to estimate whether the infant will suffer long-term brain damage or other problems.

The baby remained in critical condition in the intensive care nursery of St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction.

The accident occurred Sunday when the car in which the family was riding skidded off a snow-packed highway near Aspen and plunged 60-feet into the Roaring Fork River.

Doctors and fire crews rappelled

down the gorge on Independence Pass to reach the car.

Dr. Steve Ayers, shivering in the water, pulled the baby from the car and said she had "no pulse, no respiration, was blue in color."

The baby's mother, Kay Venable, 19, of Kingwood, died four hours after being pulled from the water. Her parents, Omard Harrison, 64, and his wife, Marjorie, 61, of Houston, also died.

The family was vacationing in Colorado when their car slid off icy Independence Pass into a snow bank. They then hitched a ride with two Aspen teen-agers.

After that car skidded off the road, Britt Rosen, 17, and Maelle Deschutter, 16, managed to kick out the windows in the overturned, partially submerged car, struggle to the road and call for help.

Samantha initially was brought to Aspen Valley Hospital.

"When she arrived at the hospital, the baby's body temperature was less than 50 degrees, she had no heart rate and no brain wave activity," said Dr. William Mitchell.

"This baby, when it arrived, was white, cold and just totally stiff." Dr. Hugh Macaulay, the emergency room physician, said intravenous fluids and oxygen were warmed before they were administered to the infant.

"We used hot towels, but eventually what we had to resort to was just sticking the baby in a sink of water heated up to about 100 degrees," Mitchell said.

The baby's father, who arrived in Grand Junction on Tuesday, works at a Houston-area country club and attends a community college.

Samantha was born Oct. 1 in Houston. "I was going into the Air Force and get some basic training and then we'd all be together and just live," Rivera said.

Watch the birdie



(AP Laserphoto)

BEIJING, China - Former U.S. President Richard Nixon, right, tells an elderly Chinese worker to look at the television camera as the two posed during Nixon's trip Wednesday morning to a downtown-Beijing shopping district.

Military student dies of wounds from gunshot to the head

HARLINGEN (AP) — A student who suffered a bullet wound to the head at the Marine Military Academy died Tuesday, officials said.

Sean McKenna, 17, a senior at the military school, was found alone lying in a pool of blood before shooting practice Monday afternoon, said retired U.S. Marine Corps Col. Karl Miller, commandant of cadets.

McKenna, of Reston, Va., died early Tuesday morning, said a spokesman for Valley Baptist Medi-

cal Center. The wound was from a .22-caliber rifle, the type used by the rifle team and the type of gun McKenna had checked out at the range shortly before the shooting.

"At this point, it looks like a self-inflicted bullet wound," Capt. John Doster with the Harlingen Police Department said Tuesday.

Marine Military Academy is a private, college-preparatory boarding school for male students, grades eight through 12.

Historic town sees gamblin' as 'good deal'

DEADWOOD, S.D. (AP) — It's high noon on Main Street. Gun-slingers dressed as Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane fire shots into the air to signal the start of legalized gambling.

The resumption of limited poker, blackjack and slot-machine games today marks a return to Deadwood's past, a century after gold miners rushed to the Black Hills town hoping to strike it rich.

The State Gaming Commission held a special meeting Tuesday to handle last-minute details. Thirty-four businesses were to offer gambling at first, many of them saloons. None call themselves casinos, however, because that's forbidden by statute.

The commission on Tuesday approved 120 more licenses for gambling parlor employees, including dealers and cashiers. About 90 dealers had been licensed earlier, and officials were unsure how many of the new licensees were dealers.

Officials said about 200 dealers were needed. Even with the new dealers approved Tuesday, Bill Fisher, floor manager in the Bella Union Gaming Saloon, said: "We are going to be short-dealers. I'm sure."

Gambling organizers say Deadwood gambling won't rival Las Vegas or Atlantic City's high-stakes games, but maximum \$5 poker bets still could lead to winnings — or losses — of several hundred dollars a game.

Deadwood Dick's Bar, owned by Mary Dunne, didn't even have its sign up Tuesday but promised to have slot machines and blackjack ready for today.

Frantic, last-minute construction continued and carpenters are stretched to the limit.

"It isn't safe to go in a bar anymore because someone hands you a hammer and asks if you want a job," she said.

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'Tough guy' politics are as American as barbed wire

By MIKE FEINSILBER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—George Bush had to fight "the wimp factor" and Adlai Stevenson was called "Adelade." Thomas Jefferson was lambasted as "womanish" and Walter Mondale as the kind of person who would eat quiche. Edmund Muskie wept, and there went his presidential dream.

Throughout American history, says Bruce Curtis, a professor of American thought and language at Michigan State University, it has been a venerable political tradition to question the virility of candidates for office and portray opponents as sissies.

An offsetting tradition has been for politicians to assert their masculinity.

Curtis sets out his thesis in an article in the November issue of American Heritage: "Now that the ideal masculine man is farther removed from reality than ever, many nostalgic men, and not a few nostalgic women, demand that our public

leaders appear more masculine than ever."

Most recent presidencies, he writes, have been characterized by "compulsive masculinity." He says Lyndon Johnson deplored "nervous Nellies" who wanted to cut and run in Vietnam. LBJ was determined to make Ho Chi Minh, his North Vietnamese nemesis, say "uncle."

That was the term that came to mind when Ronald Reagan was asked at a news conference about his goal in Nicaragua. He said he wanted the Sandinistas to "say uncle." Threatening to veto a bill if Congress sent it to him, Reagan borrowed a line from movie strongman Clint Eastwood: "Make my day."

"Even Jimmy Carter, among recent presidents seemingly the least driven by machismo, revealed during the 1988 campaign his susceptibility to its public demands by remarking that Bush seemed rather 'effeminate,'" notes Curtis.

The tradition is as old as the republic. Thomas Jefferson was called "womanish" because he

"took counsel of his feelings and imagination." Andrew Jackson, the war hero and Indian fighter, described another politician as "Miss Nancy."

Teddy Roosevelt, outraged that Woodrow Wilson initially shied away from plunging America into World War I, said Wilson had "done more to emasculate American manhood ... than anyone else I can think of."

Stevenson, twice the Democrats' nominee to oppose war hero Dwight D. Eisenhower, was "Adelade" to the New York Daily News, which also said he "used teacup words" and had the support of "Harvard lace-liberals" and "lace-panty diplomats."

The need to prove himself tough sent Michael Dukakis, the Democrats' presidential candidate last year, into a tank borrowed from the Army but the attempt backfired; Dukakis didn't look like he belonged there.

Muskie's tears during the New Hampshire primary of 1972 — his wife had been attacked by the Manchester Union-Leader — dissolved his cam-

paign for the Democratic presidential nomination; candidates may not cry.

Bush fought manfully to overcome what Newsweek called, in a cover headline, "the wimp factor" although there was an occasional lapse. Once he was overheard saying he'd have "just another splash" of coffee.

Bumper stickers help undermine Democrat Mondale's candidacy against Reagan in 1984. "Mondale Eats Quiche," they said.

Women in politics, like Geraldine Ferraro, Mondale's running mate, or Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., who shed tears when she withdrew as a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1988, "are condemned no matter what they do," notes Curtis.

"If gentle, they are womanish; if tough, they are not womanly. By tradition a female cannot be a courageous, charismatic, wise, effective leader as a woman." Thus even her supporters call Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain the "iron lady."

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Japanese investor to control Rockefeller Group Inc. stock

By BART ZIEGLER
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP)— In yet another Japanese takeover of an American institution, Mitsubishi Estate Co. plans to pay \$846 million for control of the company that owns the landmark Rockefeller Center and Radio City Music Hall.

The announcement late Monday by Mitsubishi, one of Japan's largest real estate companies, follows last month's announced takeover of Columbia Pictures Entertainment Inc. by Japan's Sony Corp. for \$3.4 billion. It also continues a trend of major Japanese real estate purchases in the United States.

Rockefeller Group Inc., which owns and manages the 19-building Rockefeller Center complex in midtown Manhattan, is a legacy of a family whose name stands for American capitalism.

The family, which controls the private company, traces its fortune to John D. Rockefeller, who founded the Standard Oil trust.

Family members said they decided to sell 51 percent of their shares in Rockefeller Group to diversify

the company's holdings, which also include the Cushman & Wakefield commercial real estate group. The family's shares are held in various trusts.

Last month, Rockefeller Group confirmed reports that it was seeking an outside investor to buy part of the company. The reports said some family members wanted more income from their investments. Most of the family members' inheritance is tied up in real estate and corporate holdings.

But the independent trust committee that manages the family's trusts said Monday the money from the sale to Mitsubishi would be reinvested in other Rockefeller Group operations. William G. Bowen, chairman of the trust committee, said one objective was to diversify the company's holdings, which are concentrated in real estate.

In a statement, David Rockefeller, Rockefeller Group's chairman and son of John D. Rockefeller Jr., said, "Our agreement with Mitsubishi Estate preserves the abiding commitment to Rockefeller Center and New York City which my father

made more than 50 years ago, and which present generations of the family continue to feel."

Four years ago, Rockefeller Group refinanced Rockefeller Center by taking out a \$1.3 billion mortgage on some of the rentable space, then selling shares in that mortgage to the public through a real estate investment trust.

The Rockefeller family fortune was estimated at \$900 million in 1911, when the Standard Oil trust was busted into several companies. Today, Forbes magazine estimates the combined family wealth at more than \$5 billion.

The 22-acre Rockefeller Center complex includes the 65-story General Electric Building, formerly called the RCA Building, which contains the Rainbow Room and NBC's headquarters; Radio City Music Hall, home of the Rockettes; a famed outdoor ice-skating rink; and the Time-Life building.

Mitsubishi Estate, which is publicly traded and has historical ties to the auto giant of the same name, is one of Japan's largest real estate companies.



(AP Laserphoto)

From left, David Rockefeller; Koyata Hosokawa, executive vice president of Mitsubishi Estate Co.; Laurance Rockefeller; and Dick Voell, president and chief executive officer of The Rockefeller Group (RGI), pose for photographs in New York Monday.

FBI investigates what may be one of biggest spy rings since WWII

NEW YORK (AP)— An Army sergeant charged with running a ring that sold NATO secrets reportedly was recruited 15 years ago by a Hungarian who immigrated to the United States, fought in Vietnam and served as an Army captain in Germany.

The captain, Zoltan Szabo, now retired, left Hungary in 1956, became a U.S. citizen and joined the Army, ABC news reported Monday.

He fought in Vietnam and was decorated for bravery, but spent much of his military career in West Germany with the 8th Infantry Division.

In 1967, Szabo made his first contacts as a spy for Hungary's secret service, ABC said, citing documents, unidentified investigators and unidentified members of the spy ring.

In 1974, he recruited then-Sgt.

Clyde Lee Conrad, who was arrested Aug. 23, 1988, in West Germany and is awaiting trial there on a charge of high treason, ABC said. Conrad is accused of selling NATO secrets to Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

Szabo lives in neutral Austria and so can't be touched by West German authorities, said Alexander Prechtel, chief spokesman for the federal prosecutor's office.

"The Austrians have not permitted any extradition, and are not pursuing him, because under Austrian law what Szabo is said to have done is not punishable. And this did take place in Austria," Prechtel told The Associated Press.

The FBI is investigating at least a dozen people believed to have worked with Conrad, who operated one of the biggest rings spying on the United States since World War

II, ABC said. The FBI expects to arrest at least one other person before Christmas, the network said.

German authorities aren't pursuing other members of the purported ring, Prechtel said, noting the prosecutor's authority in military spy cases extends only to "non-active soldiers."

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Enjoy the crispness and great flavor of popular chicken nuggets without all the grease and fat. Coat chicken breast pieces with cornflakes instead of batter and bake rather than fry. Create mini-muffins, breadsticks or mini-quiches from oat bran products and egg substitutes. Since organ meats and eggs are very high in cholesterol, avoid serving liver pate and deviled eggs.

Party-goers will be amazed that their favorite dips and spreads can now have less fat and cholesterol, but still have the full, rich taste. Substitute Neufchatel cheese for cream cheese, light sour cream for regular sour cream and low-fat cheese for cheddar. Serve with fresh fruit and vegetables sticks rather than crackers and chips.

Delight your friends with two new holiday appetizers, Pesto With Dippers and Dill Filled Celery Sticks. They are lower in fat, cholesterol and cost than their traditional counterparts, yet have full, rich flavors which will make them a popular item on your holiday table.

Created with fresh basil and spinach, Pesto With Pasta Dippers has a zesty pesto flavor. The Light Sour Cream Dairy Blend adds only half the cholesterol and fat of regular sour cream but all the flavor to create a delicious dip. Serve it with mini tortellini and vegetable dippers to add to its health and eye appeal.

Dill Filled Celery Sticks combine two low-fat dairy products, Neufchatel cheese and light sour cream, to create a delicious, low-fat, low-cholesterol, dill-flavored version of a longtime favorite.

To receive eight additional holiday appetizer recipes, call 1-800-328-4155. Ask for a complimentary copy of the Light Entertaining recipe brochure.

Pesto With Pasta Dippers
1/4 c. grated fresh Parmesan cheese
8-oz. carton Light Sour Cream Dairy Blend
2 tsp. slivered almonds
1 clove garlic
1 c. firmly packed chopped fresh leaves, cleaned, stems removed
1/2 c. firmly packed chopped fresh basil leaves, cleaned, stems removed

Tortellini pasta, cooked, drained
Fresh vegetables (cherry tomatoes, mushrooms, etc.)

Ripe olives
Wooden picks,
In 5 cup blender container or

food processor bowl with steel blade combine Parmesan cheese, Light Sour Cream Dairy Blend, almonds and garlic. Blend on high until smooth (1 to 2 min.). Add spinach and basil leaves, 1/2 c. at a time, until mixture is creamy and smooth. Pour into serving bowl; refrigerate at least 1 hr. Meanwhile, skewer 1 tortellini and 1 vegetable piece on each wooden pick. Serve pasta and vegetables with dip. YIELD: 2 1/2 c. dip.

Calories per 1 tbsp. serving: 13. Fat per 1 tbsp. serving: 1 g. Cholesterol per 1 tbsp. serving: 2 mg.

Dill Filled Celery Sticks
8-oz. carton Light Sour Cream Dairy Blend
4 oz. Neufchatel cheese, soft-ened

1/2 tsp. dill weed
1/4 tsp. garlic powder
6 celery stalks, cleaned and dried

In small mixer bowl combine all ingredients except celery stalks. Beat at med. speed, scraping bowl often, until smooth (1 to 2 min.). Using a knife or pastry tube, fill each celery stalk with Light Sour Cream Dairy Blend mixture. Cut into serving size pieces. Refrigerate at least 1 hr.

YIELD: about 24 appetizers.

Tip: Cut thin slice off bottom of celery stalks so celery sits level.
Calories per appetizer: 27. Fat per appetizer: 2 g. Cholesterol per appetizer: 5 mg.

Pork chops stuffed with apple and mincemeat

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes & Gardens
Food Editor

Where I live, fall arrives on a brisk wind that blows bright-colored leaves into a drift against the fence and makes my family hungry for hot and hearty foods. That's when I'm likely to turn to these fruit-stuffed pork chops for a week-end meal.

I also gussy this up for a spectacular company entree, flaming the chops with orange liqueur. Remember that liqueur must be at least 70 proof in order to flame. Heat it until hot but not boiling before igniting with a long match.

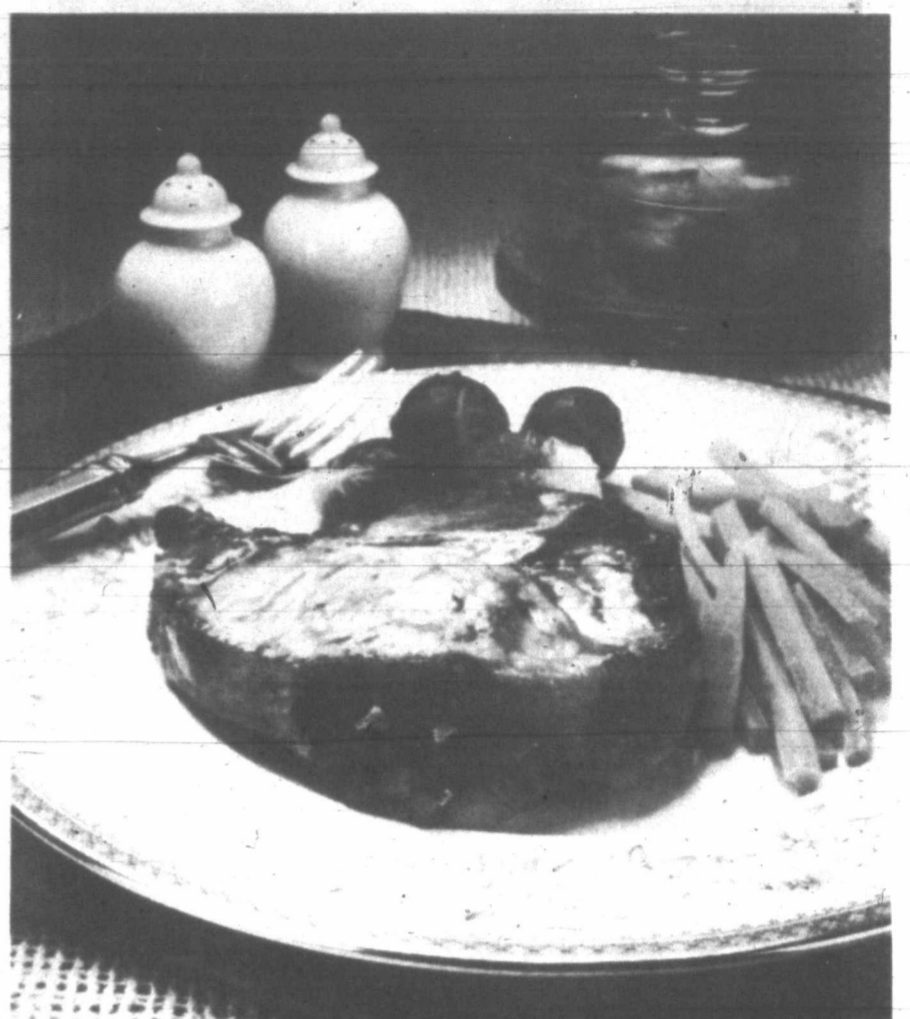
Stuffed Pork Chops
3/4 cup prepared mincemeat
1/2 cup soft bread crumbs
1 small apple, finely chopped
2 tablespoons chopped walnuts
1/2 cup orange juice
6 pork loin chops, cut 1 1/4 inch-thick (about 4 pounds)
1 tablespoon cooking oil
1/4 cup orange liqueur (optional)
For stuffing, in a medium mix-

ing bowl combine mincemeat, bread crumbs, apple and nuts. Stir in 2 tablespoons of the orange juice. Cut a pocket in each chop by cutting from the fat side almost to the bone. Spoon about 1/4 cup stuffing into each pocket. Fasten openings with wooden toothpicks, if necessary.

In a large skillet brown the chops, three at a time, in hot oil. Arrange chops in a 13-by-9-by-2-inch baking dish. Season with salt and pepper. Pour remaining orange juice over chops. Bake, covered, in a 350-degree F oven about 1 hour or until tender. Transfer chops to a heatproof platter.

If desired, heat orange liqueur in a small saucepan just until hot. Remove from heat. Using a long match, ignite liqueur and pour over chops. Serve when flames subside. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 310 cal., 24 g. pro., 26 g. carb., 12 g. fat, 71 mg. chol., 174 mg. sodium. U.S. RDA: 20 percent vit. C, 87 percent thiamine, 21 percent riboflavin, 32 percent niacin.



The stuffing for these pork chops is made with mincemeat, bread crumbs, apple and nuts. Chops can be flamed with orange liqueur for a special touch.

Sauces add flavorful twist to everyday meals

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes & Gardens
Food Editor

Sauces add a flavorful twist to everyday meat and vegetables. For instance, just change the standard white sauce a bit and you have a new recipe. You also can lower the calories or adapt it to be quicker by cooking in the microwave.

White Sauce
— In a small saucepan melt 1 tablespoon margarine or butter. Stir in 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour, 1/8 teaspoon salt and dash pepper. Add 3/4 cup milk all at once. Cook and stir over medium heat until thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir 1 minute more. Makes 3/4 cup.

Microwave Directions
— In a 2-cup measure cook margarine or butter, uncovered, on 100 percent power (high) for 30 to 40 seconds or until melted. Stir in flour, salt and pepper. Add 2-3rds cup milk all at once and stir to combine. Cook, uncovered, on high for 2 to 4 minutes or until thickened and bubbly, stirring every 30 seconds.

— You need slightly less milk when cooking sauce in the microwave because there's less evaporation than in range-top cooking.

Low-Calorie White Sauce
— Prepare as above, except omit margarine or butter and substitute skim milk for the milk. In a screw-top jar combine flour, salt, pepper and milk. Shake until blended. Cook as above.

Cheese Sauce
— Prepare White Sauce as

above, except omit salt. Over low heat, stir 3/4 cup shredded process Swiss, American, or Gruyere cheese or 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese into cooked sauce until melted. Serve with vegetables. Makes 1 cup.

— Process cheese makes a more satiny smooth sauce than natural cheese.

Lemon-Chive Sauce
— Prepare White Sauce as above, except stir in 1 tablespoon snipped fresh chives and 1/2 teaspoon finely shredded lemon peel with the flour. Serve with vegetables, poultry or fish.

Mexicali Sauce
— Prepare White Sauce as above, except cook 1/2 teaspoon chili powder in melted margarine for 30 seconds. Stir 2 tablespoons diced green chili peppers into cooked sauce. Serve with beef or pork. Do not use microwave directions.

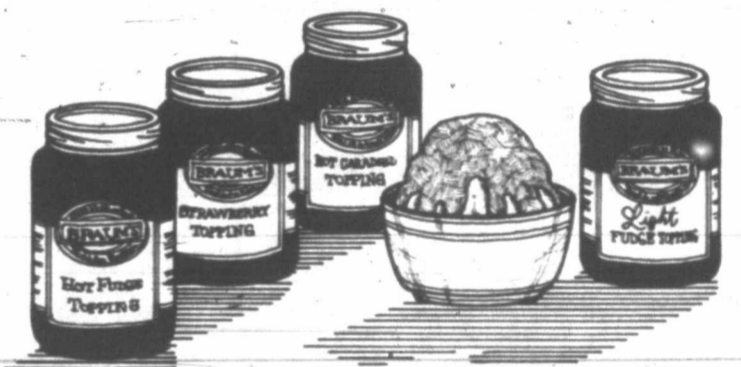
— Cooking the chili powder in the margarine mellows the flavor.

Sauce-Making Tips
— Prevent lumps in cornstarch- or flour-thickened sauces by stirring constantly. If lumps do form, beat the sauce briskly with a wire whisk or a rotary beater.

— Cook sauces over low to medium heat unless the recipe says otherwise. Cook no longer than the time specified. High heat and lengthy cooking can cause a sauce to curdle or break down.

— If you have to leave the sauce while it's cooking, remove it from the heat.

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Astro-Graph

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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If approached properly, persons with clout will take a serious interest in your present activities. They could have a beneficial effect on your affairs. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You could be quite fortunate today in deriving some type of participation form a promising situation that has been engineered by someone other than yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Any agreements into which you enter at this time could turn out to be some of the best arrangements you've ever made, provided both parties are of sincere intent.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your actions will come to the attention of persons who are of importance to you, especially in your field of endeavor. What they notice about you will make a favorable impression.

PICES (Feb. 20-March 20) Members of both sexes will find you even more appealing than usual today. Something pleasant could result from your popularity.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even if you're not commercially minded, be extra attentive today in your business involvements. Something very fortunate could develop.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Conditions continue to look exciting for you where you're partnership arrangements are concerned. You're lucky for your cohorts and they'll be lucky for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It behooves you to do the very best you can at this time where your work is concerned. Productivity will be recognized and it could pay off for you in larger than usual dividends.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Projects or enterprises which you conceive or control have excellent chances for success in this cycle. If you think you have something good, don't hide your light under a bushel.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though Lady Luck may be invisible today, she'll be definitely operating on your behalf. When something fortunate develops from an unexpected source, you'll know who to thank.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You'll be in your element today when involved in grandiose schemes. The bigger the project, the greater your chances of good things happening for you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Continue to focus your efforts on financial involvements that should prove to be meaningful to you. This is the area where you could be more fortunate than your peers today.

MARVIN By Tom Armstrong

ALLEY OOP By Dave Graue

SNAFU By Bruce Beattie

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson

KIT N' CARLYLE By Larry Wright

WINTHROP By Dick Cavalli

By Dick Cavalli

CALVIN AND HOBBS By Bill Watterson

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THE BORN LOSER By Art Sanson

FRANK AND ERNEST By Bob Thaves

PEANUTS By Charles M. Schulz

GARFIELD By Jim Davis

Sports

Strate Line

By L.D. Strate



Hoop season just around the corner

With the district football races winding down, it means basketball season can't be far away.

At Wheeler, the Lady Mustangs' annual district demolition crew, led by veteran coach Jan Newland, opens the season Nov. 14 against Canadian.

Talk about a dynasty. Newland-coached teams have won seven consecutive district titles. Newland begins her tenth season as Wheeler's head girls' coach.

Wheeler posted a 22-8 record last season and the Lady Mustangs advanced to the area round of the playoffs, where they lost to Vega, coached by Don Drinnon, who is now at Canadian.

With Dee Dee Dorman, Bobbie Kuehler and Tammy Helton returning as starters, the Wheeler girls will be gunning for another district flag.

"We're going to be short, but quick. The girls coming back are going to do a good job," Newland said. "We're going to concentrate on playing good defense this season. That wins a lot of games."

Practice officially started Oct. 23 for all Texas high school basketball teams.

"That first week of practice was hard because it was football homecoming week and it was hard for the girls to concentrate on basketball. We're hoping the rest of our practices will be more profitable," Newland said.

Based on past performances, it won't take long for the Lady Mustangs to get down to business.

Drinnon is trying to get his squad ready for Wheeler, but it hasn't been easy since most of the attention is riveted on Canadian's unbeaten football team.

"We're slowly getting cranked up, but the way the football team is going, that first game may have to be canceled," Drinnon said.

Drinnon also assists with the football team, which is rolling along with an 8-0 record.

The Lady Wildcats posted a 20-7 record last season, winning a playoff berth by placing second in District 2-2A. They dropped their bi-district game to Spearman.

Kim Bivins and Kari Burns return to the starting lineup and they will be joined by Cassie McNeese and Amy Taranto, both of whom saw considerable playing time. Taranto, at 6-0, is the tallest player.

"I've got a bunch that really works hard. That's an indication of the job coach (Jackie) Burns did," Drinnon said. "As far as hard work goes, there's no problem there."

Burns stepped down as head girls' coach after last season, but he is still teaching in the Canadian school system.

Drinnon, a Hammond, Okla. native, started his coaching career in 1967 at Pampa Middle School.

Robert Goodwin says he's not kidding. Goodwin, a Texas attorney, has threatened a class-action lawsuit against Dallas Cowboys' owner Jerry Jones, claiming Jones hasn't turned the team around as he promised.

Goodwin, of Center, is demanding ticket refunds for unhappy fans or he may go to court under the state's deceptive trade act.

Here's one of Goodwin's comments addressed at Jones: "You must imagine the anguish and abuse some 7-year-old child who proudly purchased and displayed a Cowboy jersey must have suffered at your hands this year."

If a child develops ulcers or has to see a psychiatrist because the Cowboys are losing, blame the parents, not the team.

After all, the winless Cowboys aren't losing World War Three. If football or any other sport — at whatever level — continues to be looked upon as such a serious undertaking, our next generation is going to be miserably unhappy.

Just when it looked like it was curtains for Miami, along came an ex-Cornhusker and unlikely hero to rally the Warriors to a 30-16 win over Lefors in a District 2A six-man game last week.

With Lefors leading, 16-0, at halftime, Jason Ott, a junior transfer from Omaha, Nebraska, scored all four of Miami's touchdowns in the second half.

"Jason wasn't even in the starting lineup until last week. He worked hard and earned a starting spot," said Warriors' coach Bob Loy.

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Aikman returns to lineup today

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING. — Troy Aikman resumes workouts with the Dallas Cowboys today after being sidelined four weeks with a broken finger but his playing status for Sunday night's game against Washington won't be determined until the end of the week.

Aikman, the rookie quarterback from UCLA, fractured a finger on his left hand which made it impossible for him to take the snap from center. In his absence, another rookie, Steve Walsh, has been handling the winless Cowboys' offense.

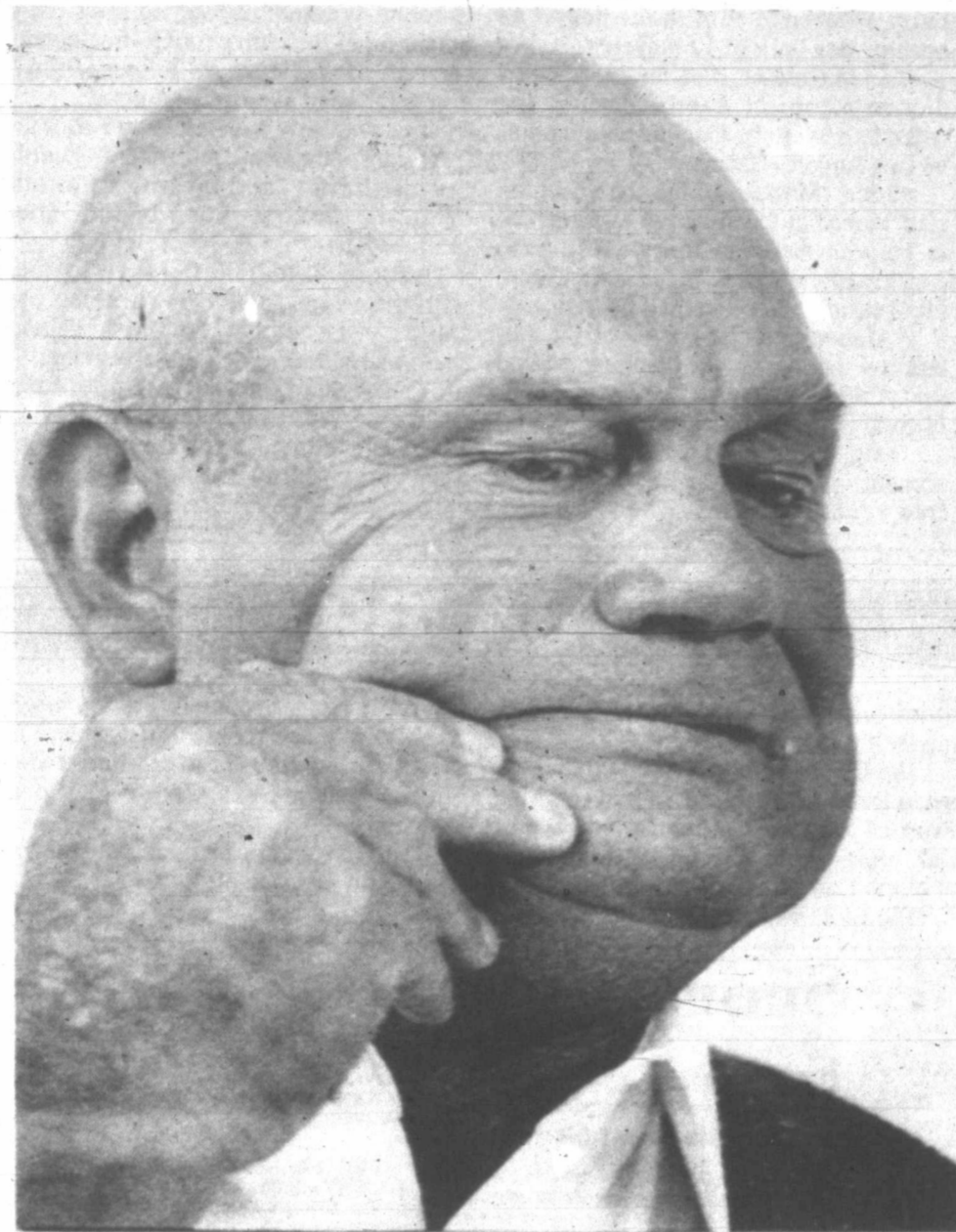
Coach Jimmy Johnson won't decide until Friday if Aikman will start in place of Walsh, who had two interceptions in Sunday's 19-10 loss to the Phoenix Cardinals.

"Troy will practice and we'll evaluate his progress," Johnson said. "We need to see if he is 100 percent healthy and we want to see if he is 100 percent into the offense performance-wise."

"If not, then we don't believe it would be in his best interest to start against Washington. He hasn't practiced in some time and if he's not sharp then it wouldn't be in anybody's interest to throw him out there against the Redskins."

Johnson said both his rookie quarterbacks have been hampered in an 0-8 first half of the NFL season "because of the supporting cast. We've had a lot of different receivers who've broken routes and dropped passes. The results have been negative for both quarterbacks."

Zimmer voted NL Manager of the Year



By FN. D'ALESSIO
Associated Press Writer

Chicago Cubs manager Don Zimmer garnered all but one of the 24 first-place votes for NL Manager of the Year.

CHICAGO — So what if the team from the Second City finished second-best? For once, Don Zimmer is in first place.

Zimmer, who led the Chicago Cubs to the National League East title before losing to San Francisco in five games in the playoffs, was a near-unanimous choice for NL Manager of the Year in voting announced Tuesday.

"I think it's a great thing to have the writers vote you the Manager of the Year," Zimmer said. "It's a great honor. It's never happened to me before."

He garnered all but one of the 24 first-place votes cast by a panel chosen by the Baseball Writers Association of America. The other first place vote went to San Francisco's Roger Craig, Zimmer's close friend and former teammate.

"You feel like you want to share it with everybody who played a part," Zimmer said, "the players who did the playing and Jim Frey, who hired me and got criticized for doing it. It just seemed like every move he made helped out the club."

"Jim Frey took a lot of criticism," Zimmer noted, saying that some people accused the general manager of hiring him out of friendship and not because he could do the job.

Zimmer did the job, leading the Cubs into postseason play for only the second time since World War II and nailing down his first division title in 11 seasons as a major-league manager.

It was vindication for Zimmer, who was run out of Boston for not leading the Red Sox to a division title in the late 1970s.

Boston blew a 14 1/2-game lead in 1978 and eventually lost the AL East to

New York in a playoff. The Red Sox were 411-304 during his 41 1/2 seasons but Zimmer got very little credit.

"We didn't win what you call the big one," Zimmer said of his Boston days. "I think this (the Cubs' season) was a lot more satisfying because we finished fourth last year."

There wasn't total satisfaction, though, and Zimmer was anything but content, particularly with the outcome of the pennant series with San Francisco.

"I was a dummy the last three games we played, a total dummy, but that's baseball," he said. "I didn't do anything different the last three games we played, except the decisions I made didn't turn out too good."

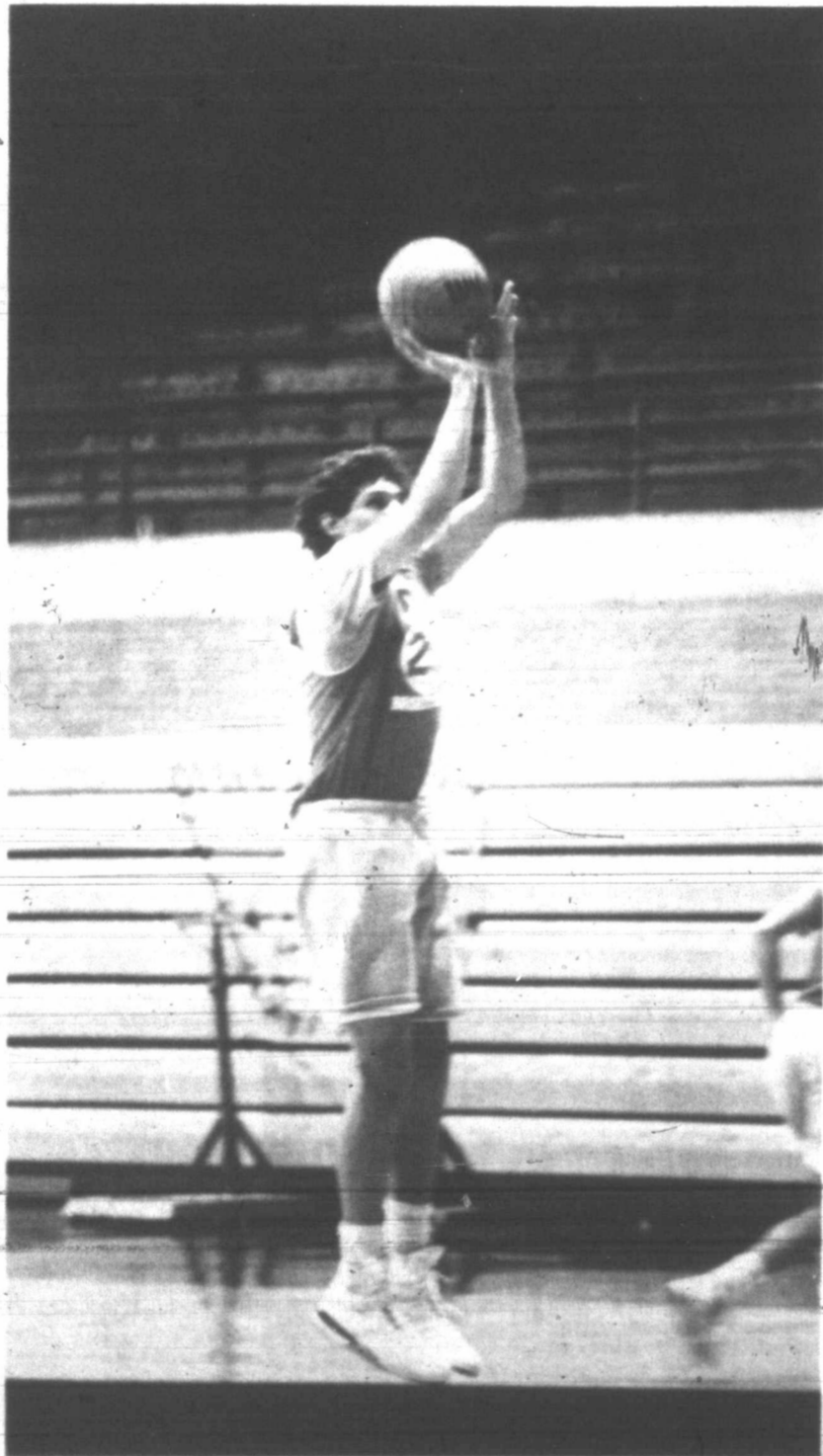
Zimmer got 118 points in the 5-3-1 voting and Craig, who received 17 second-place votes, got 62. Whitey Herzog of St. Louis was third with 31 points and Art Howe of Houston was fourth with four points. Jack McKeon of San Diego got one point.

Zimmer, 58, was named manager of the Cubs on Nov. 20, 1987, replacing Frank Lucchesi. Chicago finished 77-85 in 1988 and improved to 93-69 this year, winning the division by six games over New York.

Zimmer, a .235 hitter in 12 major-league seasons, managed in the minors from 1967 to 1970. He coached for Montreal in 1971 and was a coach with San Diego when he replaced Preston Gomez as manager in April 1972. The Padres were 114-190 under Zimmer, who was fired after the 1973 season.

He then went to Boston as a coach until becoming manager in 1976. After the Red Sox let him go, he managed Texas for 11 1/2 years, during which the Rangers were 95-106. He coached for the Yankees, Giants and Cubs before becoming Chicago's manager.

Up and away



(Staff photo by Sonny Bohanan)

PHS senior Mark Wood goes up for a jump shot during Harvester basketball practice Tuesday afternoon. Pampa has two scrimmages set for next week, Monday at Palo Duro beginning at 5 p.m., and the following Saturday at Canyon, scheduled for a 1:30 p.m. tipoff. The Harvesters, District 1-4A's defending champions, open the regular season with three straight home games against Dalhart, Perryton and Amarillo High, Nov. 18, 21 and 28. Basketball season tickets go on sale today for last year's ticket holders, and sales are open to the public Nov. 13.

Briefs

Football

Pampa's middle school football teams swept all four games from Hereford White Tuesday to close out the 1989 football season.

Below are Tuesday's results, Pampa scoring summaries and season records for the middle school teams.

Seventh Grade

Pampa Blue 32, Hereford 8.
P — Wes Stark 30 run (Jeremy Morris run)
P — Matt Garvin 70 kickoff return (run failed)
P — Chris Gilbert 33 pass from Garvin (run failed)
P — Garvin 28 pass from Kyle Parnell (run failed)
P — Parnell 45 run (run failed)
Pampa Blue record: (3-3)

Pampa Red 28, Hereford 0
P — Marlon Bryant 28 run (Matt Miller run)
P — Miller 10 run (Scott Focke run)
P — J.R. Neil 28 run (run failed)
P — Eric Parker 24 run (run failed)
Pampa Red record: (3-2-1)

Eighth Grade

Pampa Blue 14, Hereford 6
P — Greg McDaniel 25 pass from Chad Dunnam (Andy Sutton kick)
P — Shelby Landers 3 run (Sutton kick)
Pampa Blue record: (2-3-1)

Pampa Red 26, Hereford 0
P — Will Green 2 run (run failed)
P — Joby Focke 1 run (run failed)
P — Will Green 12 run (Jeff Beyer run)
P — Ray Hunt 2 run (run failed)
Pampa Red record: (3-3)

NEW YORK (AP) — Cleveland's Webster Slaughter, who caught four passes, including scoring throws of 80 and 77 yards, in the Browns' 28-17 victory over Houston, was named AFC Offensive Player of the Week. Slaughter had 184 receiving yards in all, the third straight game he's exceeded the 100-yard plateau.

Los Angeles Raiders safety Eddie Anderson was named AFC Defensive Player of the Week after picking off two passes and making six tackles in the Raiders' 37-24 win over Washington.

Green Bay quarterback Don Majkowski, who threw for a career-high 367 yards and two touchdowns in the Packers' 23-20 victory over Detroit, was named NFC

Offensive Player of the Week. Majkowski completed 29 of 45 passes against Detroit and leads the NFL with 16 touchdown passes and 2,303 passing yards.

New Orleans linebacker Pat Swilling was voted NFC Defensive Player of the Week after he recorded three sacks and forced two fumbles in the Saints' 20-13 victory over Atlanta.

Volleyball

AMARILLO — Dumas clinched the No. 1 playoff seed for District 1-4A Monday with a 4-15, 15-10, 15-8 victory over Hereford at Randall High School gym.

The two teams finished the regular season tied for first place with 13-1 records.

Dumas, the defending Class 4A state champion, will face Sweetwater in the bi-district playoffs at 2 p.m. Saturday at Lubbock Coronado High School. Sweetwater, the District 4-4A runner-up, stands at 21-4 on the season, while Dumas is 25-9 overall.

Hereford, 25-5, will square off against District 4-4A winner Pecos Saturday at 4 p.m. in Seminole.

See today's Scoreboard for final District 1-4A standings.

Tennis

AUSTIN (AP) — Klein in Class 5A and New Braunfels in Class 4A enter the 1989 University Interscholastic League team tennis championships as the No. 1 seeds when the tournament opens Friday.

Klein, 11-0, defeated defending state champion Tyler Lee in the regional finals to make it to the tournament, which will be held at the University of Texas tennis center.

Other schools in the four-team 5A field are Houston Clear Lake, Austin Westlake and Abilene Cooper.

New Braunfels, 24-0, defeated defending 4A champion San Antonio Alamo Heights in the regional finals. Rounding out the 4A field are Highland Park, Big Spring and Houston Mayde Creek.

In the 5A bracket, Klein will face Westlake, while Clear Lake meets Cooper in semifinal matches on Friday. In the 4A semifinals, also on Friday, New Braunfels meets Big Spring, while Highland Park faces Mayde Creek.

Finals in both classes will be played on Saturday.

Hostetler daunts Vikings

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

Mike Lynn was glowing before the Minnesota Vikings played the New York Giants.

He had just pulled off a double — investing himself with new power as a leader of the NFL owners' group that installed Paul Tagliabue as commissioner, then pulling off the deal for running back Herschel Walker that seemed to give the Vikings everything necessary to get to the Super Bowl.

"Some guys are afraid to pull the trigger," the president of the Vikings said in what could have been a veiled reference to George Young of the Giants, who was sitting at the other end of the room. Young, not exactly one of Lynn's best buddies, had no desire to give Dallas six draft choices plus

players even after Walker had said New York was where he wanted to go.

Then, on Monday night, the Vikings demonstrated why no amount of Lynn-engineered deals guarantee a Super Bowl.

The Vikings, to put it in three words, showed no killer instinct — at least not on Monday night.

The Giants started the game without All-Pro tight end Mark Bavaro, out with a sprained knee. During the first series, quarterback Phil Simms sprained his ankle, leaving the game in the hands of Jeff Hostetler, who in 5 1/2 NFL seasons had thrown 30 passes.

The Vikings jumped to a 7-0 lead, but then sputtered, much as the Los Angeles Rams had two weeks earlier against Buffalo and its backup quarterback, Frank Reich.

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Fish and Wildlife agents stepping up efforts to keep birds from oilfield pits

MIDLAND (AP) - U.S. Fish and Wildlife agents are collecting dead birds from open oilfield pits and tanks as they step up efforts to keep the birds from dying a "slow, struggling death."

The service has ended a 1-year grace period that stalled fines of up to \$10,000 for causing the death of the federally protected birds. During the grace period, oil operators were encouraged to cover the pits with nets or chicken wire to keep the birds from landing in the oily water.

Each year, thousands of birds in the oilfields of West Texas and eastern New Mexico die when they land in the open tanks or pits where oily water is stored, officials said.

Birds, especially water fowl, apparently mistake the oily water for fresh water and land there for rest or food, Fish and Wildlife agent Rob Lee of Lubbock said.

"They don't get a chance to learn to avoid them, because when they land in one of these things, they never get out," Lee said. "They die a slow, struggling death. Once a bird or an animal is covered

with oil, it doesn't have the ability to clean that oil and survive."

Not everyone has installed the guards, which are optional.

Because migratory birds are protected by federal law, corporations that kill them can be fined \$10,000. Individuals who kill the birds without a permit can be fined up to \$5,000 or even be imprisoned for six months.

In the eyes of the Fish and Wildlife Service, allowing migratory birds to die in oily pits and tanks is the same as killing them.

"I wouldn't be surprised if everyone did away with open pits."

So far, few companies have followed the agency's recommendations to cover the pits and tanks, Lee said, adding that he and fellow agents started collecting dead birds this month to give to federal prosecutors as evidence.

Major oil companies are covering pits and tanks because they have their own environmental divisions

and can afford the expense, said Harry Spannaus, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association in Midland.

Small independents have trouble affording the expense, he said.

One independent that does cover its tanks is Parker and Parsley Petroleum Co. of Midland.

"We have always tried to be aware of and sensitive to environmental issues by keeping our leases clean and such as that," said Eddie Everett, the company's environmental coordinator for the company.

Lee said Texaco Inc. also has tried hard to cover tanks and pits.

Phil Graves of Midland's Safety International Inc., which supplies plastic netting to cover pits and tanks, said there "hasn't been a great onslaught of requests" for the product.

Instead, he said, many operators are considering doing away with open pits by covering them with dirt.

"I wouldn't be surprised if everyone did away with open pits," he said.

Psychic fairs being cancelled

By DAVE PEGO

Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) - Purveyors of parapsychology are complaining that they are innocent victims of fundamentalist Christians who have mounted an offensive against satanic religions that has persuaded many school officials to drop or tone down Halloween celebrations.

A number of psychic fairs have been canceled nationwide recently under pressure from Christian groups, including one in Garland this past weekend and an earlier one in San Antonio.

"It belied up because we got calls from some Bible beaters who thought it was cult-related and satanic," said John Lehman, owner of the North Dallas County Farmers Market, where the Garland fair was to have been held.

"I hated to buckle under to pressure, but every customer you lose is one that's lost for good. It's probably not worth offending people."

Psychic fairs feature demonstrations by practitioners of parapsychological arts such as fortune telling, tarot card reading, and aura audits. In addition, a number of vendors show up to hawk materials relating to new age beliefs, such as quartz crystals, music and books.

"There's been quite a few psychic fairs canceled lately," said Len Ponath of Southwestern Parapsychology, Inc., who had planned to attend the show.

"Christians are saying psychics are satanists, too, and we're all getting lumped in together," he said.

"But it's not the same thing."

Al Burt, who sells books and jewelry oriented to new age beliefs that promote peace and worldwide harmony, said he thinks the oppression being suffered by many parapsychological practitioners will not diminish soon. He said the Christians were galvanized by events such as the murders in Matamoros, Mexico, and are lashing out at anything they don't understand.

"They remain ignorant of what they attacking," Burt said. "There are a lot of psychics out there and some of them probably do practice black magic. But the majority of them try to steer as far away from that practice as possible."

Ponath said he believes the same paranoia that hit the psychic fairs is responsible for mistaken anxieties about Halloween. He said true satanists don't have rituals on Halloween, but instead scheduled ceremonies on the day before and day afterward.

"So many people were leaving the church, they had to do something to stop them, so they started attacking satanists," he said. "But take a look at them - Jim Bakker, Jimmy Swaggart."

Lehman said he wishes the psychic fair could have gone on as scheduled, but he feared he would take much criticism if it did.

"I had somebody get up in my church and say children shouldn't wear witches and skeleton outfits on Halloween," Lehman said. "But my feeling was that Halloween was only a lot of fun. My personal feeling is that people who believe Halloween is bad are people who are not really sure what they believe."

Bush: Leaders should be united against outrages in Nicaragua

By GEORGE GEDDA

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WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush said Tuesday that leaders throughout the Western Hemisphere are "united against the outrages" of Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, but he refused anew to say whether he is contemplating renewed military aid to Ortega's opponents.

Bush also rejected Ortega's suggestion that civil rights leader Jesse Jackson mediate with U.S. officials in a bid to redirect U.S. humanitarian aid to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels to international organizations.

"That suggestion has limited appeal," Bush told reporters at a news conference.

Ortega said he asked Jackson on Monday to try to have the U.S. Contra aid diverted to the United Nations and the Organization of American States for use in demobilizing the rebels.

The suggestion came in the wake of Ortega's announcement at an international gathering in Costa Rica last weekend, with Bush also attending, that he would break the 19-month cease-fire with the rebels.

"I've never seen a meeting where all the participants were so united against the outrages of one. We're still getting messages in about the outrageous performance of Daniel Ortega," said Bush. "He reached new embarrassing proportions of stepping on it."

Secretary of State James A. Baker III, meanwhile, said Ortega's threats to suspend the cease-fire may be a prelude to Sandinista cancellation of national elections set for February.

"I worry that they (the Sandinistas) may be trying to lay a predicate to walk away from their commitment to hold elections," Baker said in an interview with The Associated Press.

However, Ortega insisted Monday the elections will be held.

"The elections are taking place in Nicaragua, period," Ortega said, speaking through an interpreter in an interview with NBC News. "With Contra or without Contra they are going to take place, definitely. With war or no war, that is, elections are taking place."

Ortega surprised a hemispheric conference on democracy last Friday by announcing that he would cancel a cease-fire that the Sandinistas and the Contras agreed to in March 1988. However, he later modified that by saying he would decide the matter today.

On another subject, Baker disputed the notion that there are serious differences among key administration policymakers over how to deal with the reform program of Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

The Washington Post Tuesday quoted an unidentified administration official as saying Bush and Gorbachev may hold a summit meeting as early as December, possibly on a ship in the Mediterranean, to discuss U.S. aid for the Soviet Union to move toward a market economy. The meeting would not interfere with plans for a summit next summer, the official said.

U.S. officials confirmed tentative discussions were under way with Moscow, but declined to discuss the substance of the Post report. "It's on the right track," said one official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Ortega contends the Contras have systematically violated the cease-fire, leading to the deaths of more than 730 Sandinista soldiers.

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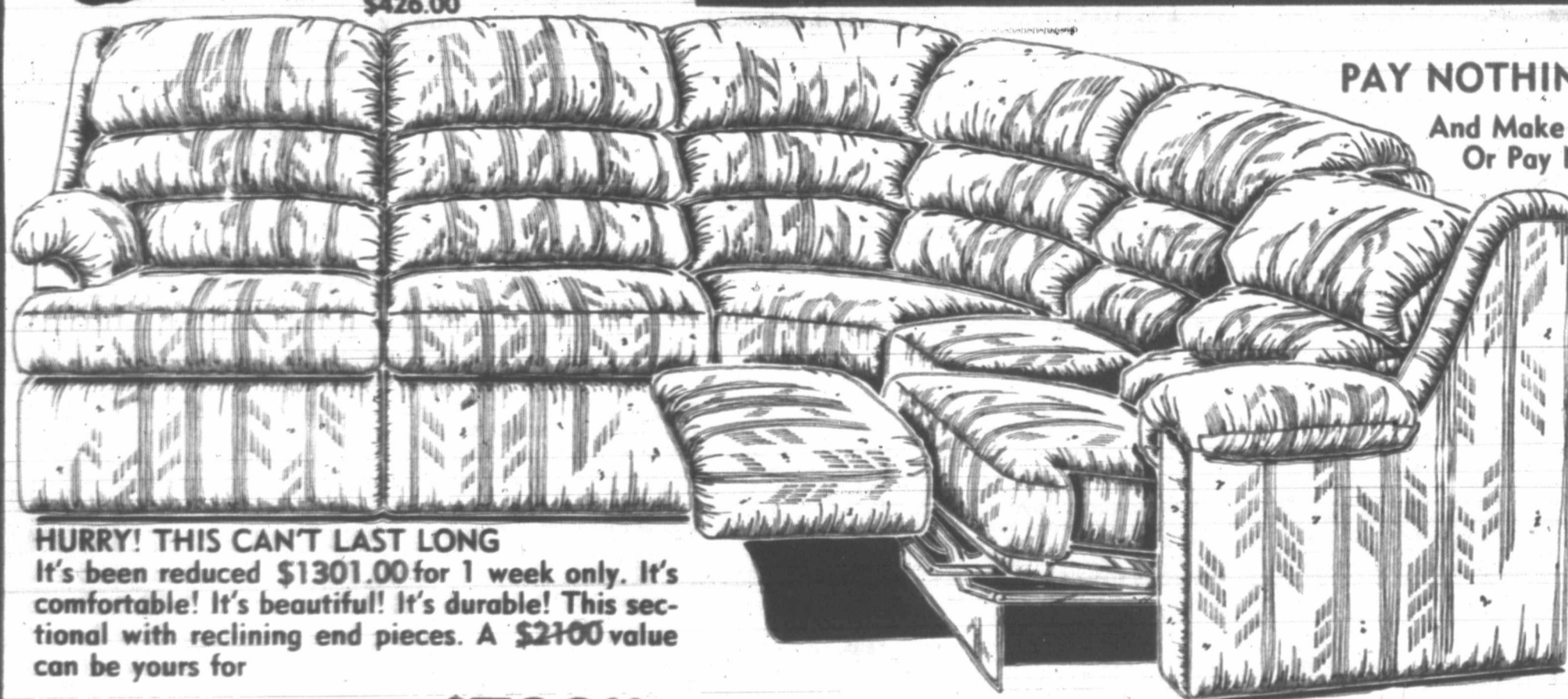
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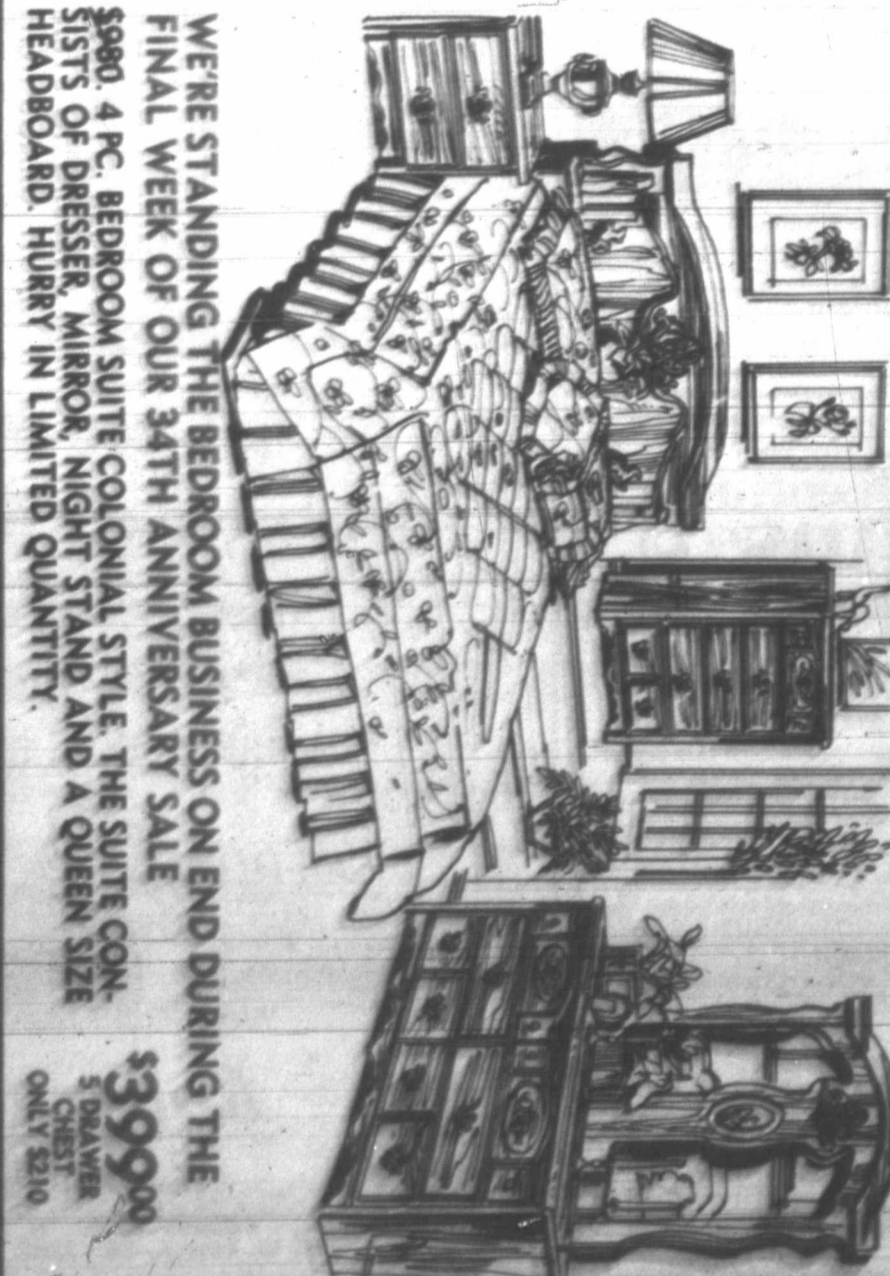


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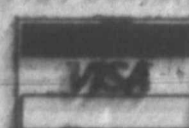
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