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THURSDAY

Bush administration appears to move closer to war

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The United States has readied a U.N. resolution that would authorize an attack on Iraq, diplomats report, and a Pentagon source says the Bush administration is sending more armored divisions to the Saudi desert.

Secretary of State James A. Baker III is sounding out allies this week about support for a military drive to oust Saddam Hussein's forces from Kuwait. He was to meet with President Mikhail S. Gorbachev today.

The Soviet foreign minister, Eduard A. Shevardnadze, said as daylong talks began in Moscow that it would be undesirable to use force to liberate Kuwait.

But he refused to commit the Soviet government. "We'll be discussing all questions now and all options," he said. "I will not answer you now."

The U.N.-ordered embargo on trade with Iraq has failed to pressure Saddam into relinquishing the emirate he seized 14 weeks ago, and U.S. and British officials

appear to be running short on patience.

On Wednesday, in her strongest statement yet, Britain's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said "time is running out" for a peaceful solution.

But Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said in an interview that the U.S.-led multinational forces that have massed in Saudi Arabia to counter Iraq should give the U.N. sanctions "at least two to three more months." The New York Times reported today, Baker met with Mubarak in Cairo on Tuesday.

Amid new talk of war in the Persian Gulf's oil fields, crude prices shot up nearly \$3 a barrel on Wednesday to about \$35.

A barrel cost about \$20 before Iraq invaded oil-rich Kuwait on Aug. 2, giving it control of 20 percent of world oil reserves.

In other developments, 74 Japanese freed by Iraq arrived today in Tokyo.

Iraq on Wednesday promised to free 120 more hostages, including a few Americans, and U.S. officials

denounced Saddam for his "cynical" use of the captives and the foreign envoys who have visited Baghdad seeking their freedom.

Saddam has been releasing Westerners on a piecemeal basis, sometimes in blocks of a single nationality, in what many governments consider a bid to divide the anti-Iraq alliance.

At the United Nations, diplomats said Wednesday that the United States is testing the waters on a Security Council resolution that would authorize the use of military force to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

If such a measure were adopted, it would be an unprecedented step in the history of the United Nations.

The text of the resolution has not yet been circulated because Baker is abroad trying to line up support for it, said the diplomats, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"We know they've got it on paper, but it would be absurd for them to pass it around until they've got all the crucial support lined up," said one.

Baker, on a week-long trip that began in Saudi Arabia on Sunday, won a pledge of support from China on Tuesday during a Cairo meeting with that country's foreign minister, U.S. officials said.

The Soviet Union and China, as permanent Security Council members, have veto power over resolutions. The United States, France and Britain round out the five permanent members, and Baker travels to Paris and London next.

In Washington, a Pentagon source said late Wednesday that the Bush administration has decided to send additional armored divisions to Saudi Arabia soon to strengthen the U.S. military force in the region.

The source said most of the troops and tanks would come from Europe. A single U.S. armored division includes about 40,000 troops.

The United States currently has 230,000 troops in the region - facing some 430,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq - as part of a multinational force that numbers more than 300,000.

Mann carnival



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Students at Horace Mann Elementary School decorated facilities Wednesday afternoon in preparation for the school's Fall Carnival and Chili Supper, scheduled for Friday night. Sitting among some of the decorations on a hay wagon are, front row from left, Angie Cloud, second grade; Cassie Meadows, second grade; Stephanie Asencio, first grade; and Heather Asencio, fourth grade; and back row from left, Jennier Asencio, third grade; Samantha Hurst, third grade; and Michael Shaw, fifth grade. The chili supper will be held from 5 to 8 p.m., with the carnival open from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday.

Cold weather leads to hospitalization of Pampa man staying outside after fall

Staff and wire report

A Pampa man remained in the intensive care unit this morning after being found Wednesday morning by relatives after he apparently fell sometime Tuesday and was forced to stay outside during the cold night.

Frank L. Hogsett, 92, 712 Finley, had a body temperature of 90 degrees when he was transported by Rural/Metro-AMI Paramedic Service to Coronado Hospital on Wednesday, a hospital spokeswoman said today.

Hogsett has been placed on a heat blanket at the hospital, where medical personnel are keeping a close check on him in the intensive care unit.

The cold front lingered on in the Pampa area today, though the forecast calls for clearing skies later today and warmer temperatures for Friday, with a high reaching into the 50s.

Wednesday's high was 33, with an overnight low of 29. Pampa received 0.12 inch of moisture from the rain and freezing drizzle that fell Wednesday night, according to KGRO meteorologist Darrell Sehorn, leaving light icy coverings on vegetation.

In other weather-related news throughout the state, a mixture of freezing drizzle and freezing rain fell across the Texas Panhandle and parts of West Texas early today,

with some snow accumulation reported in El Paso and widespread rain across much of the rest of the state.

At midmorning the National Weather Service issued flash flood watches for much of southern and eastern Texas, generally along and east of a line from Paris to Athens to College Station in the north, and in the south, east of a line from Austin to San Antonio to Alice.

A mixture of drizzle and sleet fell at Midland during the pre-dawn hours and freezing rain pelted the Lubbock area.

Light snow was falling at El Paso, where two inches was already on the ground. The Texas Highway Department reported at midmorning that all major roads in the state were open, but urged motorists to be cautious.

Overnight temperatures in the 30s prompted The Rescue Mission of El Paso to declare a "weather night" Wednesday, suspending its usual rule that an individual could stay only three nights per month, spokesman Larry Nelson said. The mission provides meals and shelter to the homeless.

The area of freezing precipitation, mixed in some areas with rain, extended from the South Plains to the lower Pecos River and was moving northeastward at 30 mph.

The weather service said rainfall amounts in eastern Texas could be as much as 3 inches, with isolated

accumulations up to 5 inches by tonight.

Tides one to 2 feet above normal were reported along the central and upper coast because of high winds related to the approaching storm system, and some minor coastal flooding was expected in some areas at high tide early Friday, the weather service said.

The freezing precipitation was expected to end across West Texas today and a warming trend was to begin tonight and Friday.

It will be cloudy and colder over most of the state tonight with a warming trend moving across the state from the west on Friday.

Lows tonight will be mostly in the 30s and 40s, ranging from the 20s in the Panhandle to the 50s in South Texas along the coast.

Highs Friday will be in the 50s and 60s.

Early morning temperatures were mostly in the 30s and 40s, ranging from the 20s in the Panhandle to the 50s and 60s across Southeast Texas and in the 70s in extreme South Texas.

Extremes ranged from 28 at Amarillo to 76 at Brownsville.

Early morning temperatures around the state included 41 at Wichita Falls, 49 at Fort Worth, 51 at Waco, 52 at Austin, 51 at San Antonio, 55 at Houston, 72 at Corpus Christi, 38 at San Angelo, 32 at Lubbock, 34 at Midland and 33 at El Paso.

Richards credits women voters with helping her to be governor

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) - Democrat Ann Richards credited women voters with helping her beat Republican Clayton Williams to seize the Texas governor's office. And a political expert said future candidates would be wise to remember that.

"What we have seen with Ann Richards' election is a very small beginning to what will ultimately be a very great change in the way political campaigns are waged in Texas," said Anne Norton, a government professor at the University of Texas at Austin.

"The women's vote will become much more conspicuous in future years," she said.

Richards got 61 percent of women's votes, compared to 39 percent for Williams, according to exit polls cited in a University of Texas news release. Among men, Williams led 55 percent to 45 percent, it said.

Richards - who beat Williams 50 percent to 47 percent, with 99 percent of the precincts reporting - said Wednesday she worked to "galvanize the women of Texas to understand that this was a crucial election for them."

She cited her pro-choice stand on abortion as important: "I believe the people of Texas agree with me that the government has no right to interfere in your personal life."

At a news conference in the Texas Senate Chamber, Richards described

her victory, and those of black and Hispanic statewide candidates, as paving the way for future generations of women and minorities.

"It means that the doors are open to everyone, and they're not going to be closed again," she said.

Besides Richards, voters on Tuesday elected Dan Morales as the state's first Hispanic attorney general, and the second Hispanic to win a statewide office in Texas. Morris Overstreet was elected to the Court of Criminal Appeals, making him the first black to be voted into statewide office in Texas in modern times.

Richards promised to "hit the ground running" as the state's next governor, with education her top priority. And she said she'll work with Republican president George Bush for the good of Texas.

"People of good will who care about their state are going to work well together," said Richards, a Democrat who lampooned Bush in her keynote speech to the 1988 Democratic National Convention.

Bush, who responded to that speech with humor, campaigned this year for Williams.

Despite the expensive and frequently negative gubernatorial campaign, Richards had praise for Williams.

"I was pleased to hear from him last night. He was very gracious in his willingness to offer his help in any way to move Texas forward," she said. Richards said GOP incum-

bent Gov. Bill Clements' staff also offered help in the transition.

She acknowledged that her victory came in part because of Williams' errors, which highlighted her argument that Texas needs an experienced leader. Richards served two terms as state treasurer.

Last week, Williams showed ignorance about the only proposed constitutional amendment on the ballot, which affects gubernatorial appointments. And he revealed he paid no federal income taxes in 1986.

Earlier Williams gaffes included a joke about rape, about which he apologized, and a crack about whether Richards was drinking. A recovering alcoholic, Richards recently touted her tenth year of sobriety.

In the next legislative session, Richards said the state must focus on education. A state judge has ruled that the Texas school finance system still is unconstitutional despite lawmakers' efforts at reform this summer.

An assembly of educators, administrators and others involved in education will be called together on the issue "as quickly as possible," she said.

Richards also addressed the plight of local jails crowded with convicted felons sentenced to state prison. The state has delayed taking prisoners because of a federal court order against crowding in its facilities.

Accident scene



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Brent Jeffery Williamson, 915 Christine, is helped out of a 1980 Toyota pickup by emergency personnel following a collision with a 1983 Lincoln at Duncan and Kentucky streets Wednesday morning. Williamson and the driver of the Lincoln, Maravetta Rush Joiner, were both treated for minor injuries at Coronado Hospital Emergency Room and released, a hospital spokesperson said today.

Pampa's Harvester Band invited to participate in activities in Hawaii

Pampa High School Band has been invited to Hawaii participate in the 50th Anniversary Commemorative Ceremony of the Invasion of Pearl Harbor and in the 1991 Aloha Bowl and Aloha Parade.

The Harvester Band is one of six bands throughout the nation that have been asked to be a part of these activities.

Estimated cost of the trip is \$125,000, according to officers of Pampa Band Boosters. No funds are presently available in the school budget to pay for such an endeavor, they said.

PHS Band Boosters are attempting to determine if such a trip is feasible, according to band officials, who added that there have been no official plans made concerning the trip. Should it be determined that raising the

money is possible, then the band must seek approval from the Pampa ISD Board of Trustees before accepting the invitation, officials said.

The Aloha Bowl committee has requested a reply by Nov. 30. In order to be able to accept the invitation, the band must have the funds committed by Nov. 26, according to Band Booster officers.

PHS Band Boosters are seeking individual, company and corporate pledges to help finance the band in going to Hawaii.

Anyone wishing to pledge towards the trip may mail pledges to Pampa Band Boosters, c/o Ken Sutton, 2410 Cherokee, Pampa, TX 79065 or telephone Judy or Ken Sutton, 6657065; Kathy or Tommy Crawford, 665-2722; or Julie or Dan Long, 665-7479. Those who

pledge will be notified of payment details at a later date.

Pampa's high school band placed fifth in regional University Interscholastic League marching competition last weekend in Odessa. Despite the rain and cold wind, observers said band members performed admirably.

First and second place winners will proceed to state UIL marching competition in Austin on Monday, Nov. 12. Monahans placed first in Class 4-A.

A controversy has arisen from the marching contest following a tie for second place between Pecos and Hereford high school bands. Officials checked the first tiebreaking criteria and found the bands were still tied. A second tiebreaker in which the number of judges who ranked one band higher than the other was then used. Following that procedure, officials announced Pecos as the winner.

Hereford band director James Maclasley was notified Sunday morning of a clerical error which when corrected showed the Hereford was actually the second place winner.

However, under UIL rules, unless a protest is filed within 15 minutes from the time of the announcement, the announced results are final - so, technically, Pecos' band would compete at the state level.

Pecos band members voted Monday to relinquish the second place position and allow Hereford to compete Monday in Austin, saying for them to do so would be a "hollow victory."

Hereford band officials are petitioning UIL officials to allow both bands to compete at the state marching contest.

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Services tomorrow

STUBBLEFIELD, Fred L. - 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Canadian.
JONES, Sue Greene - 4 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Big Spring.

Obituaries

SUE GREENE JONES
BIG SPRING - Sue Greene Jones, 49, a former Pampa resident, died Wednesday, Nov. 7, 1990, at her residence. Services will be at 4 p.m. Friday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Big Spring with the Rev. Robert Bonnington, rector, officiating.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Fred Tinsley Jr. of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Amarillo officiating.
Mrs. Jones was born on Oct. 2, 1941, in Pampa. She married Larry Jones on Dec. 12, 1964, in Clovis, N.M. She grew up in Pampa, graduating from Pampa High School. She moved to Big Spring in 1978 from Lubbock. She attended Texas Tech University and was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. She earned her bachelor's degree from West Texas State University and completed graduate studies at the University of Michigan, Washington University and WTSU. She had taught school at Big Spring since 1978 in the math department. She was a sponsor for the junior class. She had also taught school in Pampa, Lubbock, Oklahoma City, New Orleans and Broken Arrow, Okla. She was a member of the Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Agency. She was preceded in death by her father, Guss Greene, in 1973.

Survivors include her husband, Larry, of Big Spring; a daughter, Patricia Jones of Dallas; her mother, Patsy E. Greene of Pampa; a brother, Lemuel Greene of White Deer; and a sister, Mary Lou Bonsal of Austin.

PEGGY 'JUNE' LANE

Peggy "June" Lane, 63, died today, Nov. 8, 1990. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Lane was born May 11, 1927, in Burkburnett. She had lived in Pampa since 1927. She married John K. Lane Sr. on May 11, 1946, in Pampa. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband, John, of the home; one son, John K. Lane Jr. of Pampa; and two sisters, Mrs. W.R. Pearson and Mrs. C.O. Scott, both of Amarillo.

Police report

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

TUESDAY, Nov. 6

Amarillo Police Department reported missing - outside agency.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7

Possession of narcotics paraphernalia was reported in the 1100 block of Ripley.

Larry Rae Brawley, 325 Anne, reported an assault at the residence.

Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported disorderly conduct at the business.

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Domestic violence was reported in the 1300 block of North Starkweather.

Arrests

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7

Brenda Joyce Cumpston, 38, 1101 Ripley, was arrested at the residence on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. She was released on cash bond.

Larry Lavell Webb, 27, P.O. Box 104-D, was arrested on U.S. 60, five miles west of Pampa, on capias pro fine. He was released after paying fine.

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Thomas Lemuel Lamar, 54, P.O. Box 2075, was arrested at Tuke and Gillespie streets on charge of driving while intoxicated. He was released on bond.

GRAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Arrest

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7

Benjamin F. Smith, 34, Memphis, was arrested on a charge of theft of \$20-200.

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CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions
June Lane, Pampa
Violet Ludden, Pampa
Scot Owens, Skellytown

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
Olivia Garcia, Wellington
Jane Konall, Shamrock
Demetrio Lopez, Memphis

Birth
To Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Garcia of Wellington, a baby boy.

Dismissals
Mary Rankin, Shamrock
Edith Harrell, Shamrock

Deaths
Lucille Neuhaus, Shamrock

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Stocks

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

Wheat 2.27
Milo 3.70
Corn 3.93

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

Ky. Cent. Life 6 3/4 dn 1/8
Serfco 5 1/8 dn 1/8
Occidental 20 5/8 up 1/8

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan 50.49
Putnam 11.51

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

Amoco 53 1/4 up 1/2
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Election fallout for Bush poses possible challenge in primaries

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The next time President Bush hits the campaign trail, it will be for himself. And many analysts suggest he can take little comfort from Tuesday's mid-term election results.

Bush could even face a primary challenge from within his own party, with Republicans still splintered after this year's bruising battle over taxes and the budget.

But then, it all depends on who's doing the talking. "Let me tell you something, President Bush wasn't on the ballot yesterday. If he was, he would have won big," asserted Charlie Black, spokesman for the Republican National Committee.

If either New York Mayor Mario Cuomo or New Jersey Democratic Sen. Bill Bradley had run against Bush on Tuesday "they would have had their clocks cleaned," Black said.

But another Republican, hard-line conservative Richard Viguerie, saw it differently. "If he (Bush) had been on the ballot yesterday against a credible Democrat, he would have suffered a massive defeat."

Bush's only recourse if he wants to be re-elected in 1992, Viguerie suggested, is to "clean house, get rid of most of his Wall Street country club advisers and bring in some conservatives who are in touch with grassroots America."

Even so, most mainstream politicians and analysts seem to agree that the mid-term elections should not be seen as a referendum on Bush's presidency. But many say there are lessons in it that will have a bearing on the 1992 race.

White House and other GOP strategists clearly are sifting through the results of the elections as they focus their sights on 1992.

The most serious problem Bush could face is a primary challenge from within his own party. With conservatives still angry about Bush's abandonment of his no-new-taxes pledge, this looms as a real possibility, many analysts suggest.

"I think there is likely to be a primary challenge from the right," said Norman Ornstein, a political analyst at the American Enterprise Institute. "The question is whether it'll be a minor annoyance like that John Ashbrook provided Nixon in 1972 or more like what Ronald Reagan provided for (President) Ford in 1976 - taking him to within an inch of his political life."

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"He has got to be sure in the next couple years that, when he takes a position, he sticks with it," Sears said. "Otherwise, he'll end 1992 in a bad position. People already don't trust Congress and they don't want to trust their president."

Lyn Nofziger, another former Reagan aide, blames Bush's switch on taxes for the losses the party did incur in Congress. "It means he's got some fence-mending to do. He can't afford to alienate people any further. He's got to get hold of things again."

The base that elected Bush in 1988 "is really kind of shattered," Nofziger said.

Ed Rolins, whom Bush has tried to get fired as co-chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, said Bush "obviously has had a little setback in the polls but he's still the most popular president going into mid-term elections in modern times."

"I think there's tremendous opportunity to get ready for '92 with strong leadership the next two years," said Rolins, whose memo suggesting House Republicans distance themselves from Bush on taxes drew presidential ire.

For the record, the White House was being base about the outcome of Tuesday's mid-term elections. "You win some and you lose some. We campaigned hard in Texas and lost; campaigned hard in California and won. It goes back and forth," said presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

Fitzwater said the one-seat Republican loss in the Senate and the nine-seat loss in the House means little actual change in Congress.

And he declined to see any message in the election results as a result of Bush's turnaround on tax increases.

Still, Fitzwater noted, "Nobody likes taxes. Generally, it's better politically to be against taxes ... You don't win points by raising taxes. That's been clear."

There's little doubt that the elections leave Bush in a weakened position with respect to Congress. But Fitzwater said the veto will remain a primary legislative tool for the president.

"Bush is going to be marginally weaker in Congress," said David Mason, an analyst with the conservative Heritage Foundation.

And, Mason said, "If he can't get a more defined message in '92 than he did in this year, he's going to have a problem."

"If we have a recession between now and '92, the economy will be the overriding issue," Mason added - a view echoed by nearly all analysts.

Meanwhile, the White House is playing coy on the subject of Bush's re-election efforts. "Hasn't declared yet," Fitzwater said. "Hasn't said."

Gandhi backs government bid by dissident

NEW DELHI, India (AP) - Former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress Party announced today it will support a bid for power by a leftist politician who helped lead a historic no-confidence vote that brought down the government.

Gandhi's decision to back Chandra Shekhar and not seek the prime minister post himself cleared the way for President Ramaswamy Venkataraman to ask Chandra Shekhar to form a government, a Congress Party spokesman said today.

Earlier today, Venkataraman had asked Gandhi if his Congress Party was able to form a government.

The declaration by Gandhi capped a day of meetings following Prime Minister V.P. Singh's defeat Wednesday in a 346-142 Parliament no-confidence vote. It was the first time an Indian government was ousted by Parliament since the country won its

independence from Britain in 1947. Singh's 11-month-old government collapsed under a wave of religious and caste violence and political bickering.

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No vote fraud reported in Gray County

There is no vote fraud investigation being conducted regarding any races in Tuesday's general election in Gray County, both County Clerk Wanda Carter and District Attorney Harold Comer said today.

The mix-up, which caused rumors to be circulated throughout Pampa today, apparently occurred with local radio station KGRO ran a report from the Texas News Network on Wednesday.

In that report, the TNN spoke of a voting fraud investigation under way in Gregg County regarding a complaint filed by a

man named Bob Osborne. Rumors were making the rounds today that the investigation was in Gray County after a complaint was filed by Jim Osborne, who ran for county judge in the county in Tuesday's election.

Carter and Comer both said there is no such investigation in Gray County.

News Director Mike Ehrle of KGRO said a clarification would be run on the story today, although the story was factual, because of the confusion it caused in this county.

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Fires

The Pampa Fire Department responded to the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY

GOP loses ground in traditionally Democratic Sunbelt states

By SCOTT MCCARTNEY
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Democrats recouped some of their Sunbelt losses from the Reagan era and took firm control of redistricting as Southern voters showed they had no love for taxes and no affection for big spenders.

Democrats regained the governorships in Florida, Texas and Oklahoma and won a majority in the Virginia congressional delegation for the first time in 24 years.

North Carolina Sen. Jesse Helms and Alabama Gov. Guy Hunt, however, bucked the trend and provided reelection victories for Republicans in key races. Hunt, the first Republican governor in Alabama since 1874, won despite a virtual sweep of top state offices by Democrats.

On congressional reapportionment, which will draw the lines of political power for the next decade, Republicans will share control only in Alabama and South Carolina. Democrats will be in command in the rest of the region, including Florida, which will gain four seats in the House of Representatives, and Texas, which will pick up three.

"You have to be careful when you say one party has taken the torch from the other, but the momentum in the South is clearly with the Democrats," said Del Ali, an

analyst with Mason-Dixon Opinion Research. "The Democrats have done something they've been unable to do in 12 years and that is steal an issue from under the Republicans."

Taxes were an issue Republicans had made inroads with in the South over the past decade, but some Democrat candidates turned the tables Tuesday.

Tax increases signed by Republican Florida Gov. Bob Martinez were blamed for his defeat by former Sen. Lawton Chiles, who grabbed 56 percent of the vote.

Big-spending was another issue: Chiles imposed a \$100 limit on contributions to his campaign and raised \$5.2 million to oust Martinez. Martinez, only the second Republican governor Florida has had since Reconstruction, raised \$10.6 million.

Taxes and big spending proved to be key issues in the Texas race, too. Democrat Ann Richards, the state treasurer best known for her biting keynote speech at the 1988 Democratic National Convention, came from behind to defeat millionaire rancher and oilman Clayton Williams.

Williams, who spent \$8 million of his own money on a \$20 million campaign to keep the governor's office in GOP hands, disclosed in the final week of the campaign that his tax bill in 1986 was \$0. It was just one of

a string of setbacks for the loose-talking Republican.

A CBS-TV exit poll said 25 percent of Tuesday's Texas voters made their choice in those last seven days.

"I just would shoot myself in the foot and then I'd load up and try it again," Williams said after his defeat.

In Oklahoma, David Walters recaptured the governor's office for the Democrats by easily defeating Republican Bill Price. Walters has accused Price of oil-price gouging. Price denied that allegation and filed a libel suit against Walters.

Georgia Democrat Zell Miller defeated Republican Johnny Isakson in the governor's race, retaining the office for the Democrats. Georgia Democrats also threw a scare into Rep. Newt Gingrich, the fiery second-in-command House GOP leader. Gingrich hung on to defeat Democrat David Worley in a suburban Atlanta district.

Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton and Tennessee Gov. Ned McWherter, both Democrats, and South Carolina Republican Gov. Carroll Campbell all were re-elected.

In Senate races, Democratic incumbents Howell Heflin of Alabama, David Boren of Oklahoma, Al Gore of Tennessee and Jay Rockefeller of West Virginia won re-election handily, as did Republicans Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, Strom Thurmond of South Carolina and Phil Gramm of Texas.

Senators David Pryor, D-Ark., Sam Nunn, D-Ga., J. Bennett Johnston, D-La., Thad Cochran, R-Miss., and John Warner, R-Va., were re-elected either in uncontested races or with only third-party or write-in opposition.

Helms, the torchbearer of the right wing who had been trailing in some polls shortly before the election, launched a last-minute blitz of attack ads against civil rights legislation. His opponent, former Charlotte Mayor Harvey Gantt, is black.

Gantt, according to Thad Beyle, a University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill political scientist, "ran right into the jaws of a racial campaign." Helms won 54 percent of the vote.

Democratic state Sen. William Jefferson, a Harvard-educated lawyer, was elected Louisiana's first black congressman since Reconstruction. Jefferson succeeds retiring U.S. Rep. Lindy Boggs.

Voters in the nation's capital sent Mayor Marion Barry back to private life by decisively rejecting his bid for a city council seat and electing newcomer Sharon Pratt Dixon to succeed him as mayor.

Jesse Jackson also won his first elected office Tuesday, a nonvoting, unpaid "shadow" Senate seat from which he will attempt to persuade Congress to make the District of Columbia a state.

Government getting mostly a new look in state offices

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — When the new state government takes over in January, some of the names will be the same, some will be new and more of the top officeholders will be Republicans.

Only one Democrat was returned to the same statewide office he held before Tuesday's elections.

That was Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, easily re-elected to a third term. He credited his environmentalist platform and record, saying, "The people of Texas responded to it."

Democrats held control of both houses of the Legislature, and House Speaker Gib Lewis won reelection to his seat. That means Democrats are well-positioned when it comes to one of the 1991 Legislature's biggest jobs, reapportionment.

Here's a who's who in the new government:

Governor
Ann Richards, 57, will take over from retiring Gov. Bill Clements, the only Republican governor this century.

Richards, the two-term Democratic state treasurer, got her start in politics working in campaigns for others and first won office as a Travis County commissioner in 1976.

After winning treasurer's races in 1982 and 1986, she rose to national prominence as keynote speaker to the 1988 Democratic National Convention. There she gained instant fame for saying George Bush had been "born with a silver foot in his mouth."

After defeating Republican oilman Clayton Williams, she becomes the first woman governor since Miriam "Ma" Ferguson left the office in 1935. Richards is considered the only woman in Texas history to win governor on her own since Mrs. Ferguson followed her husband Jim "Pa" Ferguson, who was elected governor in 1914 and 1916.

Lieutenant Governor
For the first time since 1973, Democrat Bill Hobby won't be on the podium presiding over the Texas Senate.

That job will belong to Democrat Bob Bullock, moving up after serving four terms as state comptroller.

Bullock, 61, is a Hillsboro native who's spent much of his life in Texas politics. He served in the Texas House from 1957-60, was an assistant attorney general in 1967, worked on the staff of Gov. Preston Smith in 1969, was secretary of state in 1971-72 and won election as comptroller in 1975.

He defeated Houston businessman Rob Mosbacher on Tuesday.

Attorney General
Dan Morales, a Democratic state representative from San Antonio, won his first bid for statewide office and becomes the second Hispanic to hold one behind Supreme Court Justice Raul Gonzalez, first elected in 1986.

Morales, 34, is a Harvard Law School graduate and former prosecutor who rose quickly during his short tenure in the Texas House. He chaired the Criminal Jurisprudence Committee and played a key role two years ago on the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee.

Morales defeated GOP state Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown of Lake Jackson.

Treasurer
This is a big win for Texas Republicans. GOP candidate Kay Bailey Hutchison defeated Democrat Nikki Van Hightower, the Harris County treasurer, to succeed Richards.

Mrs. Hutchison, 47, is a lawyer

and businesswoman from Dallas.

A former television reporter and one-time state legislator, she returned to politics this year after an eight-year absence. In 1982, she lost the GOP nomination in the 3rd Congressional District.

Comptroller
The state's next tax collector is John Sharp, a Democrat who currently regulates the oil and gas industry as one of three members of the Texas Railroad Commission.

Sharp, a Texas A&M graduate, has spent more than a decade in politics. He first was elected to the Texas House from Victoria in 1979, won election to the Senate in 1982 and has been a railroad commissioner since winning the job in 1986.

To succeed Bullock as comptroller, he defeated Republican Warren G. Harding Jr. of Dallas.

Agriculture Commissioner

A shock for Democrats, Republican state Rep. Rick Perry defeated two-term incumbent Jim Hightower. Perry, 40, is a farmer and rancher from Haskell who changed parties last year. A Texas A&M graduate, he is a three-term veteran of the Texas House where he served on the appropriations, calendars and energy committees.

Perry campaigned against what he said was Hightower's politicization of the office.

Land Commissioner
Mauro, 43, first was elected in 1982. The Texas A&M graduate has made environmental issues, such as beach cleanup, a cornerstone of his efforts. Mauro played a leading role in advocating the use of oil-eating microbes to clean up oil spills along the Gulf Coast.

He defeated Republican Wes Gilbreath of Houston.

Railroad Commissioner
Democrat Bob Krueger captured this seat, which is being vacated by Republican Kent Hance, who lost his party's bid for governor.

Krueger, 55, of New Braunfels, is a former congressman and defeated former GOP Congressman Beau Boulter of Amarillo for the job.

In addition to his time in the U.S. House, Krueger has been U.S. ambassador-at-large to Mexico.

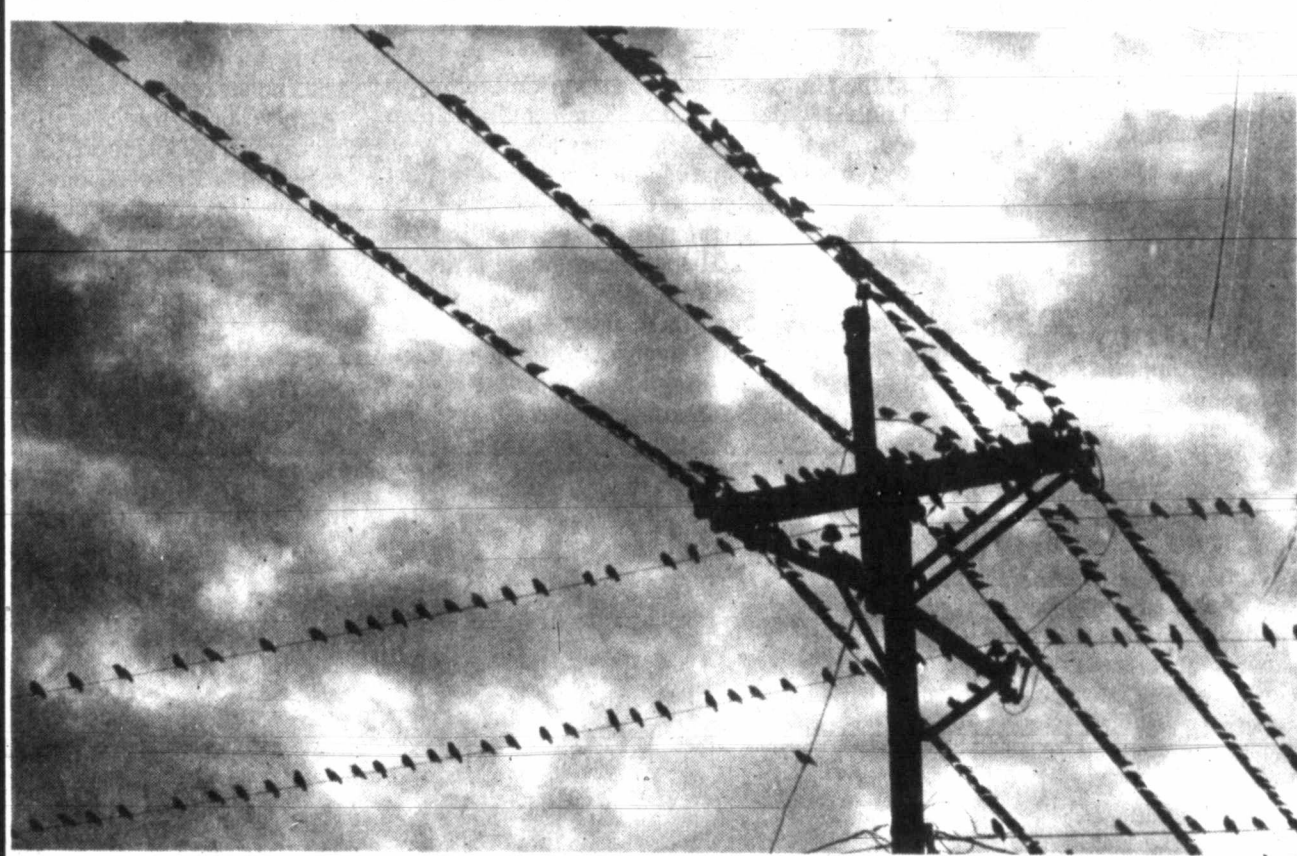
The Courts

Republican Tom Phillips held onto his seat as chief justice, first won in 1988 after his appointment by Gov. Clements in 1987. The Harvard-educated lawyer had emphasized campaign finance reform. He defeated Democratic Justice Oscar Mauzy, who remains on the bench.

Another Republican also joins the court, John Cornyn of San Antonio.

Five Democrats were elected to the Court of Criminal Appeals, including Morris Overstreet of Amarillo, who becomes the first black elected statewide in modern Texas history.

Comfort in numbers



With cold, gray, cloudy skies above them, a flock of starlings crowd together on electric power lines near Louisiana and Duncan streets recently. Perhaps they were trying to share the warmth of togetherness against the cold weather or debating whether it's time to head southward for warmer climes.

Georgia man indicted in fatal letter bombings

ATLANTA (AP) — Civil rights leaders breathed easier with the indictment of a Georgia man in a series of mail bombings that killed a federal judge and an NAACP lawyer and put the South on edge just before Christmas last year.

The indictment, unsealed Wednesday, also accuses Walter Leroy Moody Jr., a 56-year-old self-employed editor, of sending racist, threatening letters.

He was to be arraigned in federal court today.

The bombings and threats spread a wave of pre-Christmas terror that had lawyers, judges and civil rights officials contacting authorities when they received unexpected packages.

"We are relieved that federal authorities believe that a suspected perpetrator has been identified, and cautious that no other persons are or may be implicated," said Earl Shinhoster, Southeast director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

He said the bombings "created a climate of uneasy apprehension for many of us in the civil rights com-

munity that will not be easily abated even with the indictments."

Moody, for months a leading suspect in the case, was charged in the slayings of appeals Judge Robert Vance of Mountainbrook, Ala., on Dec. 16, 1989, and civil rights lawyer Robert Robinson of Savannah two days later.

The nail-packed bombs bore marked similarities to one that Moody was convicted of possessing in 1972, federal authorities said. They said all three bombs were constructed by a method not used in any of more than 10,000 bombs they had examined over the years.

The indictment also accuses Moody of sending bombs to the 11th U.S. Circuit courthouse in Atlanta — Vance was a member of the 11th Circuit — and to the NAACP in Jacksonville, Fla. Those two bombs were safely defused.

In addition, Moody was charged with sending dozens of threatening letters to NAACP officials, lawyers, judges and TV stations, and with

sending a tear-gas bomb that went off at the NAACP's Atlanta office.

U.S. Attorney General Richard Thornburgh and FBI Director William Sessions, who announced the indictment in Washington, said authorities believe Moody acted alone.

Officials declined to say what his motive might have been, but it has been speculated that racism or revenge against the judicial system prompted the attacks. Moody is white, as was Vance. Robinson, a Savannah city alderman who did legal work for the NAACP, was black.

The letters, some signed "Americans for a Competent Federal Judicial System," said the killings were in retaliation for court decisions on school desegregation and black-on-white crime. They threatened more violence against lawyers, judges and the NAACP.

Six of the charges, including murder of a federal judge, carry up to life in prison.

Legislators leave budget wake up call for Richards

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Budget leaders left a wake-up call for Gov.-elect Ann Richards by offering a preview of the upcoming battle over the state budget.

The budget is expected to fall \$3.5 billion short of funding the current level of government services.

State Rep. James Hury, D-Galveston, chairman of the House tax writing committee, said Wednesday "there will be blood running in the aisles" if lawmakers try to cut the budget to match the estimate of incoming revenue.

"If we don't have more revenue we are going to cut services," Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, chairman of the Senate Education Committee, said. "Nobody ever wants to talk about that."

Both Democrat Richards and Republican gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams promised to hold the lid on taxes despite projections of a budget deficit.

One day after her election, Richards remained optimistic about the state's financial standing. She said growth in the Texas economy, implementation of a state lottery and closing loopholes in the franchise tax will provide as much as \$5 billion. "I believe that that's going to do the trick," she said.

But lawmakers said those actions won't foot the bill for court-ordered improvements in equalizing education funding, prison expansion and the deficit-ridden state welfare system.

"It's good to be hopeful, but we're going to have severe problems," Hury said.

Hury, however, said Richards will be an asset in negotiating with lawmakers because she is knowledgeable about the state budget from her two terms as state treasurer.

The budget wrangle kicked off early during a meeting of the Legislative Budget Board in preparation for the January regular legislative session.

The board is composed of House and Senate leaders.

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Louise Fletcher
Publisher

Larry D. Hollis
Managing Editor

Opinion

Government provides gridlock in the skies

A one-year study by the National Research Council, conducted for the Federal Aviation Administration, identifies some of the problems commercial aviation is likely to face in the next 20 years or so, such as overcrowding and delays, but it doesn't pinpoint their causes. Therefore, while the report includes some constructive suggestions, it falls short of the bold moves that are really necessary.

The report projects that air traffic will double by early in the next century, that delays in air travel could reach "staggering proportions" and that drastic action may be needed to avoid aerial gridlock. In 1987, 21 major airports had more than 20,000 hours each of flight delays. By 1997, 39 airports could have similar levels of delay, and hubs like Chicago, Denver, Dallas and Atlanta could see 100,000 hours per year in delays.

The research council wants the FAA to do more strategic planning, increase capacity at existing airports, develop new secondary hubs and build up to 10 new major airports, through the federal government or a "market-based" approach. It suggests building huge, 1,000-passenger jets for heavily traveled routes and new surface-transport systems. Cost: Between \$90 billion and \$200 billion between now and 2020.

Any attempt to predict what will happen 20 or 30 years into the future is risky, of course, but the council has correctly described the present situation and what's likely if current trends continue. But it has not been quite precise enough in identifying the real causes of airline delays.

The airline business was substantially deregulated in 1978. Rider-ship and passenger miles have increased dramatically as airline companies have had more freedom to adjust schedules and fares to meet consumer demand. But while the airline business is more entrepreneurial, much of the supporting infrastructure — the air-traffic control system and most airports — remains in the hands of government.

Since government is less flexible and more expensive than private business, air traffic and airport capacity have not expanded as quickly as the airline business itself has. Because of outmoded laws, airports are not able to use "peak-time" pricing of landing and take-off slots to reduce congestion and respond to changing demand. And the air-traffic control system, dependent on a Congress sporadically concerned about deficits for funding, has not been able to expand to meet the new demands. Thus, delays are to be expected.

The best approach to avoiding gridlock in the skies would be to privatize the air traffic control system and sell most major airports to private enterprise. Detailed plans to accomplish these goals have been developed by such organizations as the Reason Foundation.

Once these facilities were in private hands, able to earn revenues directly from services rendered and to operate more like a business, they would have the incentive and the resources to modernize more quickly than would be possible if they were left in the hands of government.

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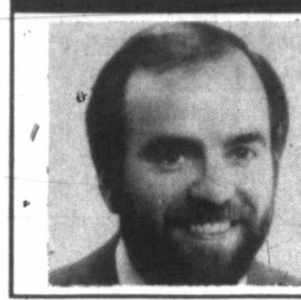
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Longer year only a start



Stephen Chapman

Americans, we all know, have awakened to the failures of our educational system. Tired of slack standards and mediocre test scores, we spent the 1980s rebuilding our schools. We came up with more money, tied teacher pay to performance and imposed tougher requirements on students. Now we're on our way back to excellence.

Don't believe it. The truth is American public schools are still to education what Humphrey the humpback whale is to navigation. Despite all the rhetoric and money lavished on our schools over the last decade, they haven't gotten noticeably better. The dropout rate is still high; scores are still low; the bureaucracy is still vast and wasteful.

Why are we still falling short? Michael J. Barrett, a Massachusetts state senator writing in the November issue of the *Atlantic* magazine, has a simple answer: Our children spend too little time in school.

The evidence he produces is as cheering as a foreclosure notice. Japanese children typically spend more than 240 days a year in the classroom, West Germans at least 226. Even less advanced nations, like Thailand and Hong Kong, have school years of at least 195 days.

And the United States? American children go to school only 180 days a year — 33 percent fewer than the Japanese and 11 percent fewer than the Thais. Put another way, a Japanese ninth-grader has spent more days in the classroom than an American 12th-grader. In a list of 22 countries compiled by Barrett, the United States was 21st in the length of its school year. Congratulations! We're ahead of Belgium.

Given Americans' faith in our native-born genius, we might expect our kids to learn as much in 180 days as a mere foreigner can learn in 200 or 220 days. Trouble is, they don't even come close.

In one international comparison after another, American students lost more consistently than Chicago Republicans.

Experts offer all sorts of explanations for the gap between the United States and other nations. But maybe the answer isn't so complicated after all. Maybe kids in other countries learn more because they spend more time learning.

The cause and effect aren't quite as simple as Barrett suggests. Thai students do poorly in global comparisons despite a 200-day school year. Belgium, with a briefer year than the United States, gets better results. But more schooling generally yields better results.

We've been told about our deficiency before: The famous 1983 report by a federal commission, "A Nation at Risk," recommended a school year of between 200 and 220 days. In a Gallup poll last year, 48 percent of Americans said they favored an increase, with 44 percent opposed.

But nothing has happened. Despite the broad authority American communities have over their local schools, Barrett says that as far as he can discover, "nary a public school system has broken the mold in a lasting way." Forty-nine of the 50 states

require 180 school days per year or less.

Is a longer school year the antidote for our educational decline? Barrett, who thinks so, is only half right. A lazy or inept teacher isn't going to teach his kids in 220 days what he failed to teach them in 180. Where discipline is weak, classes poorly attended, textbooks banal and homework skimpy — as they are in many schools — a longer year would make as much sense as trying to repair a computer with a pitchfork.

Robert Rector, a policy analyst at the Heritage Foundation, notes that though the school year hasn't changed in the last couple of decades, student performance has — for the worse. Something else has gone wrong.

If we hope to improve, a longer school year is only one part of the answer. Another, more important, is injecting more competition into the educational system. Giving parents vouchers or tax credits to let them send their kids to any institution public or private, would force every school to deliver or die.

But even competition will generate only modest results if parents don't set higher standards. Barrett reports the depressing news that although American students do worse on standardized tests than Japanese and Taiwanese children, American mothers are far more likely to be "very satisfied" with their kids' performance. The main thing Americans seem to acquire in school is a formidable capacity for self-delusion.

The economist John Maynard Keynes could have been talking about American schools when he defined education as "the inculcation of the incompetent into the indifferent by the incompetent." A longer school year would be a start toward change, but only a start.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 8, the 312th day of 1990. There are 53 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Thirty years ago, on Nov. 8, 1960, Massachusetts Senator John F. Kennedy defeated Vice President Richard M. Nixon in their quest for the White House.

On this date:
In 1793, the world-famous Louvre Museum in Paris opened its doors to the public for the first time.

In 1837, Mount Holyoke Seminary, a college exclusively for women, opened in South Hadley, Mass.

In 1889, Montana became the 41st state.

In 1904, President Theodore Roosevelt — who had succeeded the assassinated William McKinley — was elected to a term in his own right as he defeated Democrat Alton B. Parker.



But can scholars fill the void?

ATHENS, Ga. — I introduced myself to the studious-looking, bespectacled young man coming out of class on the University of Georgia campus the other morning.

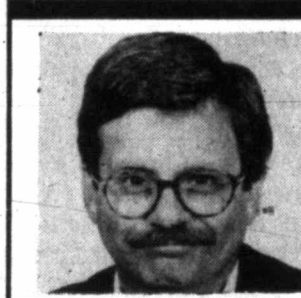
I had remained in Athens after attending the Ole Miss-Georgia football game, which Georgia lost.

Many Bulldog fans are despondent because of Georgia's current 3-3 record, and the fact the Bulldogs have fallen from the circle of college football's elite.

Some of the football problems can be directly attributed to the fact that the university administration, led by President Charles Knapp and many forward-thinking members of the faculty, have determined Georgia should upgrade its academics and become, as one faculty source told me, "Harvard on the Oconee." (The reference is to the Oconee River, which flows through Athens and was the site of a spirited rowing match, until after the Jan Kemp trial when all the Bulldog oarsmen flunked out of school.)

Increased academic requirements of athletes, more stringent than most of its competitors, also have cost the football team its defensive line. There's also a rumor another player is in academic hot water for being caught gazing out a window during his botany professor's brilliant lecture on stamens and pistils. (Not the rock group of the same name.)

So what I was doing introducing myself to the young man was trying to find a brilliant student who would make Georgia football fans forget we



Lewis Grizzard

don't have a quarterback or a defense, but at least we could be proud of academic achievement instead.

The young man said he was Arnold Snedgemeyers of Atlanta.

"So how did you do in class today?" I asked him.

"Aced my history test," he said.

"How 'bout them Dawgs!" I yelled.

"Pul-leeze," the young man replied.

"Besides, for someone who made a perfect score on his SAT, it was a piece of cake."

"With a perfect score on your SAT you could have gone anywhere to college. Why did you choose Georgia?"

"Certainly I wouldn't have back when Georgia was allowing all those public school ninnies from those atrocious little towns outside Atlanta to enroll. Dad would never have stood for it," Arnold explained.

"So," I went on, "you don't think students who

don't have your brain power should be admitted to their state university?"

"What? And have we gifted be guilty by association? That's absurd. Where did you go to school, Auburn?"

"As a matter of fact," I said, "I'm a Georgia graduate."

"No doubt you were here in the Dark Ages," sneered Arnold.

"Well, I must admit I didn't make exactly a perfect score on my SAT," I said.

"That much I presumed," Arnold sneered one more.

"Arnold," I pressed on, ignoring his elitist remarks, "how big are you?"

"I'm 5-8, 130, without my glasses. Why do you ask?"

"Well, when we used to sign a good football player the fans always wanted to know his size. I guess I'm just reminiscing."

"Whatever, Old Sport," said Arnold. "I'm off to chemistry. Big test today. Au revoir."

Before I left the campus I walked back and gazed at Sanford Stadium where once we cheered for Stanfill and Blue and Walker and Scott and Johnson and Ol'Moonpie Wilson and Cowboy Parrish.

But now, I suppose, we must look to the Arnold Snedgemeyers to fill their void.

Is it any wonder, then, there was a bumpersticker at the game that read "We've been 'Kemp Knapped."

Average pay is stuck at '60s level

By ROBERT WALTERS

WASHINGTON — Last year, members of this country's work force earned an average of \$17,718. That's a paltry 0.94 percent increase over the comparable figure of \$17,553 in 1960, almost three decades earlier.

"The great inexplicable secret of American life (is) that personal and family incomes have stopped growing and no one has seemed to notice," says Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan, D-N.Y., whose aides have compiled what he aptly characterizes as "astounding numbers" on the economic condition of the typical worker.

"Indeed, there is a sense in which American incomes stopped growing a generation ago," adds the senator in offering end-of-decade comparisons of the average weekly earnings of non-government, non-agricultural and non-supervisory workers:

1959: \$163.78
1969: \$189.44
1979: \$183.41
1989: \$166.53

(These are constant dollars adjusted for inflation. In this instance, the num-

bers are keyed to 1977 dollar values.)

Those figures, from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, show that average weekly earnings have grown \$2.74 in 30 years. That's an increase of less than 10 cents per year. But look what happens when only the workers' Social Security payroll contributions (not income or any other taxes) are deducted:

1959: \$159.69
1969: \$180.35
1979: \$172.17
1989: \$154.01

"This means the average weekly take-home pay of a worker ... is \$5.58 less today than 30 years ago," says Moynihan. Equally discouraging are the bureau's statistics that show average hourly wages rising from \$4.20 in 1959 to \$5.02 in 1969 and \$5.14 in 1979 — then dropping to \$4.80 in 1989.

In the typical family, both adults must now work to compensate for that loss of purchasing power. But even though female participation in the work force has risen from just over 35 percent in the mid-1950s to almost 60 percent today, median fam-

ily income has remained essentially unchanged.

Although Moynihan's concerns have not attracted the attention they deserve, he is not alone in seeking to stimulate interest in the issue. A recent report from the Washington-based Economic Policy Institute concludes that "real wages for the average American worker ... declined by almost 10 percent during the 1980s."

Adds the EPE study: "As a result, living standards have worsened for most workers and their families, while the income gap between the very rich and the average American has grown larger."

Citing a "dramatic and worrisome deterioration in the family incomes of younger workers," the report says recent trends have been especially "devastating" to those aged 25 to 34, especially workers with no more than a high-school degree.

But the recent developments affect workers of all ages and educational attainment levels. "Over the past decade, a steadily increasing percentage of Americans discovered that the common benchmarks of a decent

standard of living — home ownership, health care coverage and a good education for their children — were beyond their economic means," says the EPE report.

The very rich continue to be insulated from such mundane concerns. The wealthiest 10 percent of the nation's families enjoyed an income gain of \$543 billion during the 1980s. An almost identical amount — \$544 billion — was spread far more thinly among the other 90 percent of the country's families.

Indeed, the average income received by the wealthiest 1 percent of all families now is approaching \$550,000 per year. "The richest 2.5 million people now have nearly as much income as the 100 million Americans with the lowest incomes," says another study, produced by the Washington-based Center on Budget and Policy Priorities.

Nevertheless, the politicians overly solicitous about the welfare of the rich (starting with President Bush) are concerned about their capital gains and personal income tax rates.

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Jim Hightower speaks with reporters Wednesday about his future after his defeat as Texas agriculture commissioner.

Hightower virtually silent on his next career move

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Democrat Jim Hightower, the chatty Texas agriculture commissioner, is suddenly quiet about his next career move.

Asked if he was interested in filling the Railroad Commission slot vacated by comptroller-elect John Sharp, Hightower said he had "given no thought at all" to his plans when he leaves office in January.

When governor-elect Ann Richards was asked whether she would appoint Hightower to the Railroad Commission, she replied:

"Jim Hightower's loss, I feel a personal sadness about. And I'm sure I'll be talking to Jim about various things. I've made no commitments to anyone for anything in this election."

For eight years the razor-tongued populist took pleasure during his two terms in slamming first the Reagan and then the Bush administration, the Texas Farm Bureau and chemical lobbyists, calling them "right-wing extremists" and "a danger to our future" among other things.

But when the tables turned, and Republican opponent Rick Perry unleashed a series of television attacks on Hightower in the final days of the campaign, it proved the commissioner's undoing.

"I am conceding the election here today," a despondent Hightower said at a news conference Wednesday, less than 24 hours after predicting a victory that would be his "sweetest ever."

Perry's well-placed television ads attacking Hightower as a liberal and the target of an FBI investigation paralyzed the former journalist and pushed Perry to a stirring upset, analysts said.

"Our TV probably had as much to do with our victory as anything," a jubilant Perry said during a victory speech early Wednesday morning. "Our ads were vivid, showed real people and showed that Hightower is not suited for this job. The people were receptive."

Perry, a fifth-generation farmer and third-term state representative from Haskell, said his campaign raised \$1.2 million and spent \$375,000 on television. Hightower says Perry raised \$2 million.

"I did not get the money that allowed us to be on TV as desperately as we wanted to be on there," Hightower said.

Perry had "money that was used to put flat-out lies on TV that I was a flag burner, that I was guilty of all sorts of scandals involving the crop inspection program," Hightower said.

"Unfortunately, I was defenseless against that attack," he said. "That's my fault. I was unable to persuade contributors of the seriousness of the race that I knew and the staff knew that we faced."

Perry accused Hightower of bringing scandal to the agriculture commissioner's office after reports of an FBI investigation into Hightower's 1988 campaign finances surfaced. Hightower has said the FBI has never contacted him.

"Hightower is like the Wizard of Oz," Perry said. "He got exposed as the little man with a big voice, and Rick Perry pulled the screen back and saw him for what he was."

"Our opponent in this race tried to disregard us ... and he did until 2 this afternoon (when Hightower conceded)," Perry said at a news conference Wednesday.

Political analysts were amazed that Hightower did not spend a cent on television ads.

"Hightower didn't conduct a race and I'm staggered by that. I'm amazed that Jim Hightower, who is an old campaigner, did so little," said Allen Saxe, an associate professor of political science at the University of Texas-Arlington. "Perry, for the last two months, just clobbered him."

Hightower said he has now learned that "you cannot let television ads, negative television ads, go unanswered for that period of time."

S.M. True, president of the Texas Farm Bureau, said Perry's victory was grounds for celebration.

"Texas agriculture has won a major victory," said True, one of Hightower's greatest adversaries. "Two years ago, I said it is my No. 1 priority to change the leadership of the TDA and we have attained that goal. I am very pleased."

Perry said he plans to "de-politicize" the department, which Hightower's opponents have characterized as an isolated bastion of left-wing liberalism.

"Every employee that's over there today will have an opportunity to go to work with us," Perry said. "We'll make a person-by-person evaluation of the ones who have the background, experience, ability and desire to work for us."

Perry said he will not make any changes in current pesticide policy and he intends "to be a very activist department of agriculture when it comes to the environment."

Election of maverick governors reflect voter dissatisfaction

By JOHN DIAMOND
Associated Press Writer

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Voters elected independent governors in Connecticut and Alaska in a historic warning to Republicans and Democrats that they aren't the only choices in American politics.

But experts are saying the winners are not true independents and that if they hope to get anything done, they won't stay independent for long.

In Connecticut, former U.S. Sen. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. completed a political comeback Tuesday with a narrow victory in a three-way field.

In Alaska, former Gov. Walter Hickel was the winner in another close, three-way race.

Their victories mean two independent governors will be in office simultaneously for the first time in U.S. history.

Both men are former Republicans who left the party after falling out of favor — Weicker because he was considered too liberal, Hickel because he was viewed as too conservative. They'll lead states whose legislatures are still party-controlled.

Hickel said an anti-government feeling among voters carried him back into office. "I think Alaskans just want a change — they want to

have more of a say in government," he said.

Weicker said bypassing party politics will make his state more efficient.

"We didn't ask or bequeath upon any particular party to run our business for us," he said. "We can run it better than anybody else can."

Weicker's independent attitude surfaced in 1973-74 while serving on the Senate Watergate Committee. He was one of President Nixon's most outspoken critics. Later, he also was arrested outside the South African Embassy in Washington during an anti-apartheid protest.

Nixon appointed Hickel interior

secretary in 1968 and fired him in 1970 because of what Hickel says were industry pressures. Hickel also had written Nixon a letter chiding him for failing to listen to America's youth protesting the Vietnam War.

Weicker ran under the banner of A Connecticut Party. Excluding his running mate, only one legislative candidate joined in — and he lost.

Hickel adopted the banner of the Alaska Independence Party, an established third party that wants to make Alaska an independent country. It was a move of convenience, since Hickel ignores the party's independence plank.

The former GOP mavericks are

making history by shunning major-party affiliation and winning, but it is widely felt they could not have won without their high name-recognition and their former major-party ties.

"The message is very guarded," said William Schneider, a political scientist at the American Enterprise Institute. "It helps if you're a known quantity. For a third party to succeed, a major party has to split."

Experts tended to agree that the independent victories send a warning to Republicans and Democrats.

"These are more than blips," said James Reichley, an expert on party politics with the Brookings Institution. "They're indicators that neither of the major parties are attracting voters."

In another sign of anger at the two established parties, socialist candidate Bernard Sanders won Vermont's congressional seat, defeating Republican and Democratic candidates.

"Our small state might go down in history as the leading state in a

political revolution which takes power away from the multinational corporations and the wealthy and gives it back to the people," Sanders said.

The independent governors-elect face the prospect of lonely times in office. Weicker, for example, will be unable to file a bill without legislative sponsorship.

Reichley predicted that both would move back into a close, if not official, relationship with the GOP.

Libertarian Party gaining acceptability, but progress slow

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press Writer

Before this election, the most a Texas Libertarian could hope for in any race was about 10 percent of the ballots cast.

But in this election, Libertarians reported a strong showing of support with one candidate receiving 15 percent of the votes in her race.

"The percentages that we got this time, even though we're still low, are higher than they've been before," said Libertarian Party state secretary Gary Johnson.

The highest vote count for a Libertarian was in the Place 3 position on the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. In that race, Carol Caul received 15 percent.

"Our base is growing, and that's good news for us," Johnson said. "We're in this for the long term."

Voters who cast ballots for Libertarian candidates, either out of frustration with mainstream politicians or because of the Libertarian philos-

ophy, are strengthening the party, analysts and party leaders said Wednesday.

While many Republican and Democratic candidates would be crushed by a 2.9 percent showing, it was a sign of hope for Libertarian Ray Dittmar of Houston.

"Even 2 to 3 percent sends a message. Either of the parties would be happy to have the 1 to 2 percent that we took away from them," said Dittmar, who lost to Democrat Dan Morales in the attorney general's race.

Dittmar, 64, did twice as well as the party's 1986 attorney general candidate's showing.

Jeff Daiell, who was overshadowed in the Texas gubernatorial race by the bitter feud between Republican Clayton Williams and Democrat Ann Richards, got points with one political analyst despite his 3.3 percent showing at the polls.

"(Daiell) did something I haven't seen others do. He spoke for over two hours answering question after question and he talked about

issues, not personalities," said Allen Saxe, associate professor of political science at The University of Texas at Arlington.

"Libertarians do not come off as kooks any more. He presented some very impressive ideas," Saxe said.

Daiell's showing was twice as good as Libertarian candidate Theresa Doyle's 1.4 percent showing in the 1986 gubernatorial race, Johnson said.

Some Libertarians complained of not being taken seriously by the media or by some voters.

After polls closed, some callers to media groups protested that some election returns did not reflect votes cast for Libertarian candidates.

News Election Service, a consortium of the NBC, CBS, ABC television networks, The Associated Press and United Press International, does not track third-party voting. In Texas, the secretary of state's office does.

Jeff Davis, who said he parlayed \$500 in funding into a campaign

that gathered 8,733 votes in the 10th District congressional race, decried the lack of attention.

"This was a very creditable showing," he said. "Yet, almost 10,000 voters were not reported (by NES). To me, that is not representative government."

Founded in 1971, the party favors increasing individual liberties by limiting government activities.

"Our proposal is that the people get to keep their money," said Tom Owens of Midland, who captured 3.4 percent of the vote for lieutenant governor. "(Thomas) Jefferson said, 'The government that governs least governs best.'"

Voter dissatisfaction played a role in the Libertarian upsurge, political analysts said.

"I would say most of the people who voted for the Libertarians were voting for the Texas equivalent of none of the above," said Texas Christian University associate professor of political science Jim Riddlesperger.

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Election night memories



At upper left, election officials bring in precinct ballot boxes Tuesday night for counting in the Gray County Courthouse. D.J. Williams, left, Precinct 2 alternate election judge, hands over ballot materials to Katy Graham, deputy county clerk, while Helen Cook, Precinct 2 election judge and E.E. "Smiley" Henderson watch. At lower left, a group of women gather at the Democratic Headquarters to watch Ann Richards' speech on her victory of being elected Texas governor. From left are Tracey Warner, Diane Waters, Ola Gregory Covey (who served as Gray County treasurer for 25 years) and Judy Warner.



Above, Jim Greene, re-elected as Precinct 2 county commissioner, visits with a friend (off camera) as his wife Kathleen gives the thumbs up for her husband's victory Tuesday night. Below, Christopher Moody, 3-year-old son of Garry and Brenda Moody, waits underneath a table while his parents join others in waiting for election returns at the Democratic Headquarters.

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Jean Streetman-Ward



Big Bird, Ernie and Oscar turn 22

By JAY SHARBUTT
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Next Monday, Big Bird, Ernie, Oscar the Grouch and others will start their 22nd season wandering along that public television path that kids of all ages know as *Sesame Street*.

There'll be a few changes. Two teenagers are joining the cast. So is a Claymation creature, Cecille Ball. Oscar's mother will come to visit. Whoopi Goldberg and Robin Williams each will be in two *Sesame* shows.

And the new *Street* season will concern race relations. It will try to show pre-schoolers that it's the heart and mind, not skin color, that matters — even though, as Kermit the Frog so eloquently sang it once, it's not easy being green.

Next Monday also will be a special occasion for Joan Gantz Cooney. It'll be her first season as the ex-chairman of the show's producer, Children's Television Workshop. She turned the reins over last month to David Britt, a veteran CTW executive who has been with the production company for 18 years.

But she's staying with CTW, and especially with *Street*, she says, because "I want to work entirely on the creative side and the strategic planning side."

Her renewed involvement with *Sesame Street* is due "in some degree" to the death last May of Muppet-master Jim Henson, who created a number of characters for the show, including Kermit.

Although the series has an extensive tape library of Henson's characters, "I want to make sure that the relationship with the Muppeteers continues very strong, and that we create, maybe, new characters," she says. "I'm interested in seeing that the show stays very contemporary."

It is that, having gone from four to five basic educational goals its first year to a teach-while-entertaining "curriculum" for pre-schoolers that Cooney estimates has covered 200 topics.

They include sibling rivalry, precedence, death, adoption and, of course, love.

Last season, the series, which is seen in 80 countries and still is aimed at children 2 to 5 years old, began segments set in a home day-care center for tykes.

That was done and remains in the series "because it's something our audience can identify with," says *Street* executive producer Dulcy Singer. Increasing numbers of kids wind up in day-care centers or after-school programs because their

parents, whether divorced or still married, must work to make ends meet.

"Children are much more in day care and after-school programs now," says Cooney, who because of that has two projects afoot, neither intended for TV.

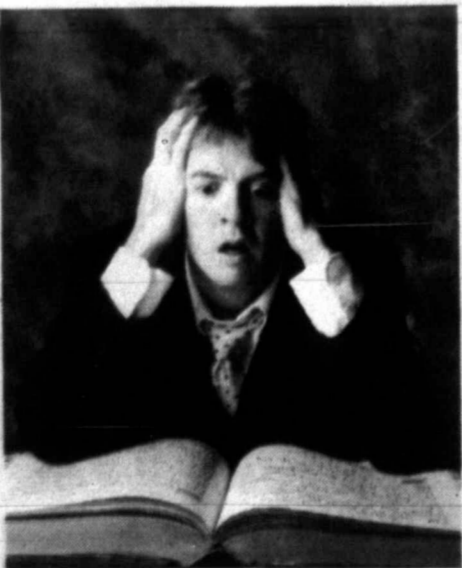
'I want to make sure that the relationship with the Muppeteers continues very strong, and that we create, maybe, new characters.'

One is to develop after-school "packages" using CTW's other educational shows, *Square One* and *3-2-1 Contact*, "to tutor kids in math and science, kids staying after school because their parents work," she says.

The other is a planned pilot program in which *Sesame Street* materials and books would be used for children's activities in Dallas day-care centers.

Also afoot for next season, but on PBS, is an as-yet-untitled literacy series to teach reading and writing skills to children 7 to 12 years old, she says.

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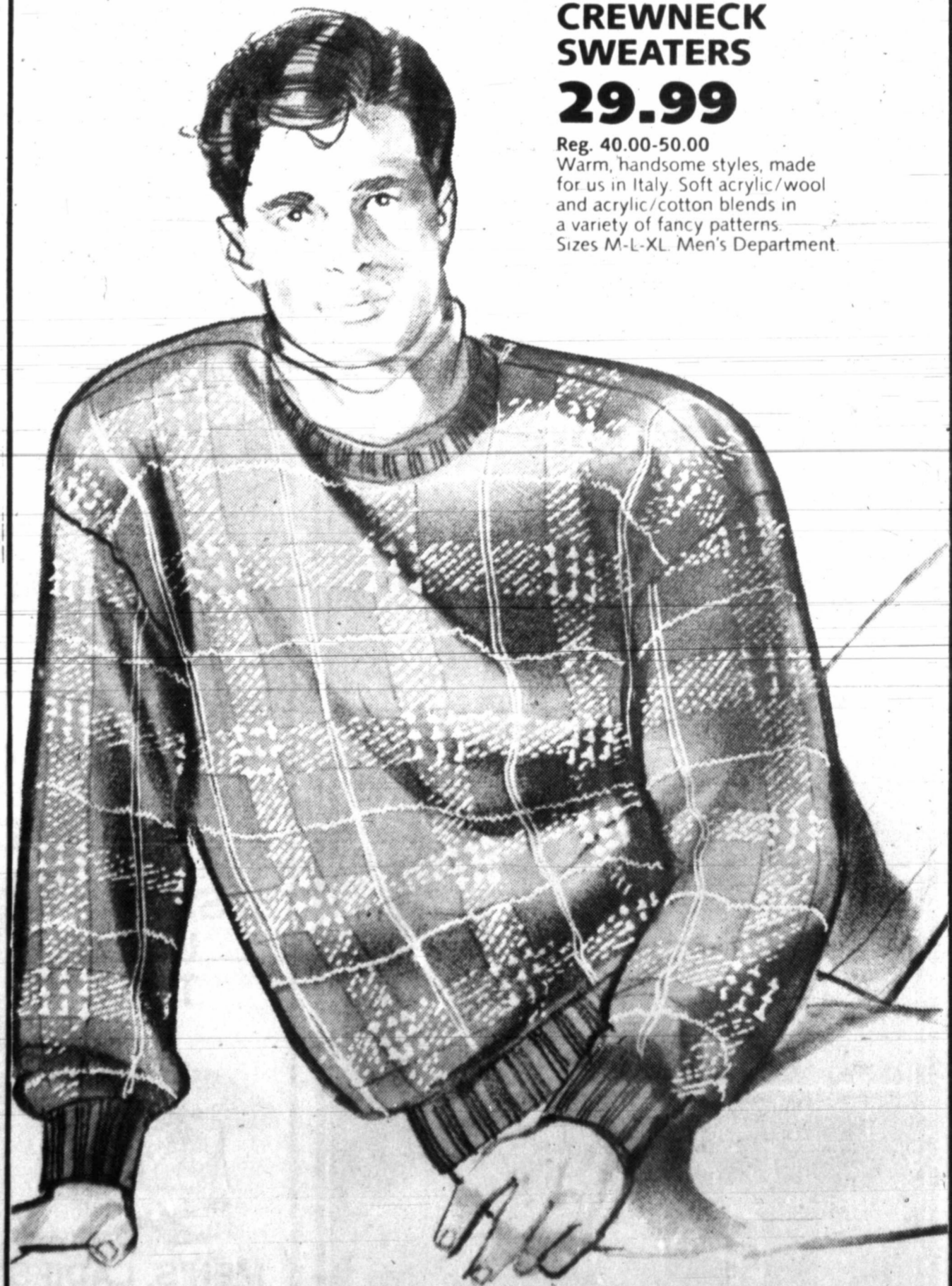
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Prime minister took a long fall from grace

By RAJU GOPALAKRISHNAN
Associated Press Writer

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The tempestuous tenure of Vishwanath Pratap Singh as head of India's first coalition government started with enormous goodwill, lurched through a series of crises and ended in public invective.

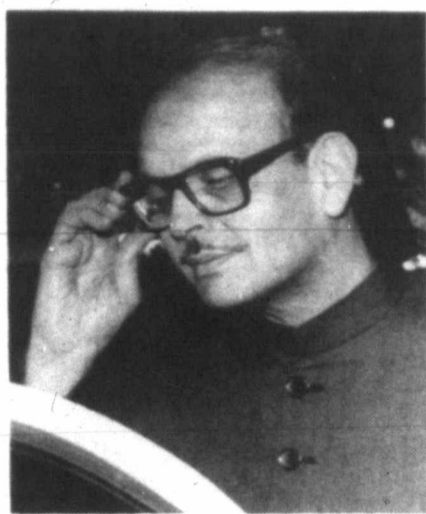
In 11 months as prime minister, Singh found little time to tackle India's endemic problems: poverty, separatist revolts by embittered minorities and the people's growing feeling of isolation from the government.

Instead, he got bogged down in feuds within his Janata Dal party and the constant need to appease partners in his unwieldy coalition.

Singh's defeat in a confidence vote in Parliament on Wednesday night came amid allegations he had used the age-old divisions in India, caste and religion, to try to further his own political interests.

When Singh and his hurriedly assembled National Front coalition prevented former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress Party from winning November 1989 elections, he was hailed as a crusading angel out to end patronage and corruption.

The coalition formed an unlikely government with support from a right-wing Hindu party and a left-wing group who barely concealed their antipathy for each other. Singh also had to contend with feuding within his own party, which was



V.P. Singh

riven by factions and had at least two other men who fancied the top job.

Nevertheless, he received a good amount of public support in his early days in office.

"We join the people in extending our good wishes to Mr. V.P. Singh," said a February editorial in the *Economic Times*. "He not only deserves but requires the nation's good wishes in tackling the tremendous tasks that lie ahead."

Just days after Singh took the oath of office on Dec. 2, trouble brewed in the Moslem-majority state of Jammu and Kashmir. Moslem separatists, escalating their struggle to secede from mostly Hindu India, kidnapped the daughter of Singh's home minister and

launched a cycle of violent protests and assassinations.

The government's crackdown on the Kashmiri movement represent one of the darker spots of Singh's tenure. Kashmir, once India's show-place for tourists, is now fully in the grip of the separatist campaign.

In Punjab state, scene of a lingering rebellion by Sikh militants, Singh started out promisingly. He made a trip to Amritsar, the Sikh holy city, within a week of taking office and waded through crowds of Sikhs in an open jeep, disregarding the pleas of worried security men.

Three months later, his party piloted a bill through Parliament postponing elections in Punjab for six months because of the violence. Another six-month postponement was sought in October.

"There is no difference between this government and Gandhi," a Sikh member of Parliament said at the time.

This year, the number of killings by Sikh militants in Punjab has surpassed 2,650, higher than any single year in Gandhi's five-year tenure.

Secessionist sentiment has also flared in the northeastern state of Assam, where belligerent tribes want independence.

Meanwhile, the national economy is in a woeful condition.

Gasoline prices have been raised twice this year, inflation is rampant, and the economic crunch caused by the Persian Gulf crisis has hit India harder than most other nations.

Prosecutors say black sect built empire on extortion and murder

By RICHARD COLE
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI (AP) — A black sect that won civic honors for renovating inner-city buildings, fighting drugs and operating businesses under its charismatic leader built its empire on extortion, firebombings and murder, prosecutors charged.

A federal grand jury accused the group's leader, Yahweh ben Yahweh, and 16 followers of involvement in the slayings of 14 people, including so-called "white devils" who were killed to gain entrance to the sect's inner circle.

Some victims were decapitated. Others' ears were cut off, U.S. Attorney Dexter Lehtinen said.

Yahweh and several members of the sect were arrested in early morning raids Wednesday.

"Any dissenter was subject to extreme violence, including murder, to maintain control of the organization," Lehtinen said. The sect also used "random violence as a ritual membership initiation rite," he said.

The indictment accuses those named of racketeering, conspiracy and extortion from 1981 to 1987.

Yahweh, 55, born Hulon Mitchell Jr., regulated all aspects of his followers' lives, including when and how they had sex, sometimes ordering women members to his own bed, Lehtinen said.

The Yahwehs consider themselves the true chosen people, and Yahweh ben Yahweh — who claims to be the son of God and whose name is Hebrew for "God, son of God" — had in the past referred to all whites as devils. Recently the Yahwehs, who have claimed about 10,000 members, diminished their anti-white rhetoric and became known as hard workers who built a modest empire of 27 small businesses and properties. Their combined tax value has been assessed at \$3 million, but their market value is believed to be more.

Yahweh was arrested by the FBI in a New Orleans hotel. Three others were arrested in Lafayette, La. His top aide, Judith Israel, or Linda Gaines, was taken into custody in Atlanta, and another arrest was made in Durham, N.C.

Seven members were arrested at the sect's Temple of Love in Miami.

The group's enterprising spirit, strict religious practices, promotion of family values and strong opposition to drugs drew praise from local officials.

Mayor Xavier Suarez recently attended a ribbon-cutting at a Yahweh store with the sect's leader, who has also received civic honors for rebuilding the inner city. A proclamation declared Oct. 7 Yahweh ben Yahweh Day in Miami.

But the indictment said the businesses were built in part by the threat of violence and by extortion of contributions from reluctant black neighborhoods. The charges include firebombing homes after people opposed fund-raising efforts.

The sect first became widely known in 1986 when it took over a drug-infested Opa-locka apartment complex, evicting residents and promising to make it a crack-free haven.

Two residents who resisted were shot to death, and sect member Robert Rozier, a former pro football player, was convicted in the slayings.

Rozier — who could have faced the electric chair — agreed to provide much of the evidence against Yahweh in exchange for a 22-year sentence, sect lawyer Ellis Rubin said.

Most of the slaying victims listed in the indictment were Yahweh members who left the group or opposed their leader. Some were shot, others decapitated and some beaten to death.

Seven white men were killed by those applying to join the Brotherhood, a secret group within the sect. Yahweh ordered the cars cut off some victims as proof they were killed, Lehtinen said.

Rubin, who has accused authorities of persecuting the group, said he was surprised by Wednesday's raids. He said he told authorities that sect members would surrender after the long-expected indictment was handed up.

In Washington, FBI Director William Sessions denied there was any harassment or racism involved in the prosecution.

Rubin said he would appear with Yahweh at a New Orleans hearing scheduled for Friday. Four of the 17 defendants were still being sought.

Analysts put 'spin control' on elections

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Spin control is the order of the day, as partisan analysts massage the 1990 election returns to suit their conflicting political prisms.

Democratic Party chairman Ronald H. Brown and Republican Party spokesman Charles Black raced from one joint appearance to another Wednesday. Brown declared the 1990 outcome "a no-confidence vote" on President Bush, while Black found in the results "a good day for the Republican Party."

The conflicting views mean little to citizens of Arizona who are headed for a runoff vote perhaps months away to determine the identity of their next governor.

Republican Fife Symington held a lead of fewer than 5,000 votes over Democrat Terry Goddard in the race to succeed Rose Mofford as governor of Arizona. About 10,000 votes went to other candidates and the state constitution requires that if no candidate gets 50 percent of the votes, the top two meet again in a runoff.

Until the race is settled, Mofford will remain governor.

Also undecided are two House races in California, two of them involving Democratic incumbents,

Doug Bosco and Jim Bates.

With all other races decided the 1990 outcome was this:

— Democrats gained one Senate seat to increase their majority to 56-44. All Democratic incumbents won; only one Republican lost. College professor Paul Wellstone unseated Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn.

— The Democrats also picked up nine House seats to pad their majority to 268-167, assuming the two unsettled California races go to the Republican candidates who now are leading.

— Governors provided the most excitement. The Republicans retained California, but the Democrats captured statehouses in Florida and Texas from the GOP. When the dust had settled the Democrats held 28 governorships and the Republicans 19. Two were won by independents — Lowell Weicker in Connecticut and Walter Hickel in Alaska.

Those are the numbers. Defining them was the job of the Browns and Blacks.

"Americans read George Bush's lips yesterday, and they made it clear they didn't like his message," said Rep. Beryl Anthony, D-Ark., chairman of the House Democratic campaign committee.

The outcome "wasn't due to any

kind of national trend, I don't think, or issue, so much as it was something about (each) individual member," said House Minority Leader Robert Michel, R-Ill.

Control of congressional and legislative reapportionment was a special goal of both the 1990 campaign. In this area the Democrats looked like clear winners.

Overall, Democrats emerged from Tuesday's vote with redistricting monopolies in 17 states. Republicans control the process outright in just three states, New Hampshire, Utah and Vermont, none of them redistricting battlegrounds.

The victories of Lawton Chiles over Republican Gov. Bob Martinez in Florida and Ann Richards over GOP businessman Clayton Williams in the Texas governor's race gave the Democrats the monopoly of the redistricting process in those two key states that will gain seven House seats between them.

Black insisted that "our party is very well-positioned not only for 1992 but for the rest of this decade."

That assessment was based on the GOP's having a voice in redistricting for 231 of the 435 congressional districts, roughly 65 more than 10 years ago.

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Widower wonders about giving new wife some things that belong to his first wife

DEAR ABBY: My wife died last year, leaving some very nice jewelry and good clothing — including two fur coats. My three daughters-in-law are all too small to use the clothing except for purses and maybe some coats. I am going to get married again, and my new wife could use it all. She comes from a very poor background and has never had anything nice. Would it be in bad taste to offer these things to her (after marriage)? What would my daughters-in-law think?



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

I cannot afford to buy such nice things for my new wife right now. I am told there's a very high-class resale store that buys and sells "good-as-new" clothing.

PUZZLED

DEAR PUZZLED: It would be very generous of you to offer a few items of jewelry that belonged to your late wife to your daughters-in-law.

As for your bride-to-be, the choice should be hers. Perhaps she would enjoy your wife's things — but on the chance that she might feel uncomfortable trying to literally fill her shoes (etc.), sell them and use the proceeds to buy her some lovely new things of her own.

DEAR ABBY: My very dear friend and I are both in our 60s. We have been seeing each other socially for eight years, with no plans to marry.

He drinks beer constantly, usually starting at noon. He doesn't "chug-a-lug" it, but nurses it along. However, when he gets up to throw the empty can in the recycler, he immediately goes to the refrigerator for another beer, and the process continues until bedtime.

In one day, he can easily consume a dozen beers! I have talked to him as gently as possible about this, but he just laughs and says he can handle it — he's been doing it for years.

I have driven him home many times. Abby, this is getting to me. I'm beginning not to want to be around him anymore. Between the beer drinking and the cigar smoke, frankly, he stinks!

We do not live together, so I could ease out of the relationship, but I hate to end a longtime friendship. He insists that he's a beer drinker, not an alcoholic. What are the facts?

PATIENCE STRAINED

DEAR STRAINED: There is as much alcohol in a can of beer as there is in a shot of whiskey

served in a bar (1 1/2 ounces). So, if your friend drinks one beer after another every day from noon until bedtime, regardless of what he calls himself he drinks like an alcoholic.

DEAR READERS: How times have changed. The following order was issued in Ethiopia in 1935 by the then-emperor, Haile Selassie:

- (1) All men and boys able to carry a spear go to Addis Ababa.
- (2) Every married man will bring his wife to cook and wash for him.
- (3) Every unmarried man will bring any unmarried woman he can find to cook and wash for him.
- (4) Women with babies, the blind, and those too aged to carry a spear are excused.
- (5) Anyone who qualifies for battle and is found at home will be hanged!

DEAR ABBY: While making a delivery for the volunteer organization Meals on Wheels, I found myself at the door of an elderly, partially disabled woman. After identifying myself by shouting to her, she shouted back, saying she had to go find the key to the door.

After entering her home, she told me that she had a dead-bolt lock on the inside of the door that could be opened only with a key. This startled me, because I noticed that all the doors and windows were secured with iron bars. I tried to explain as diplomatically as possible that this might be a dangerous situation in case she had to get out quickly in the event of fire, or for some other reason.

This same condition existed in another home I visited, also inhabited by an elderly, disabled person.

Abby, wouldn't it be a good idea for these people to wear the key on a chain or string around their necks?

PAUL E. MORRILL, TULSA

DEAR PAUL: An excellent idea. The key could remain out of sight, worn inside the clothing. It's not uncommon for keys to be misplaced — the resident could easily forget where he or she placed it for safekeeping.

DEAR ABBY: Recently, I took a trip from Mississippi to Denver, which took me through Kansas. Needing gas, I pulled into a self-service station and proceeded to fill my tank.

I noticed a young college girl filling a car tire with air. She continued and continued and continued and I finally asked her if she had a tire gauge, which she didn't. I told her that it looked like she was inflating the tire to the extreme and most tires require only about 32 pounds, and it needed to be checked.

She came out with a gauge and we measured the tire, which had 45 pounds of pressure at that point. She would have kept going if I hadn't cautioned her.

Abby, please, please caution your readers, especially those who are novices around cars, that radial tires do look soft. They are supposed to.

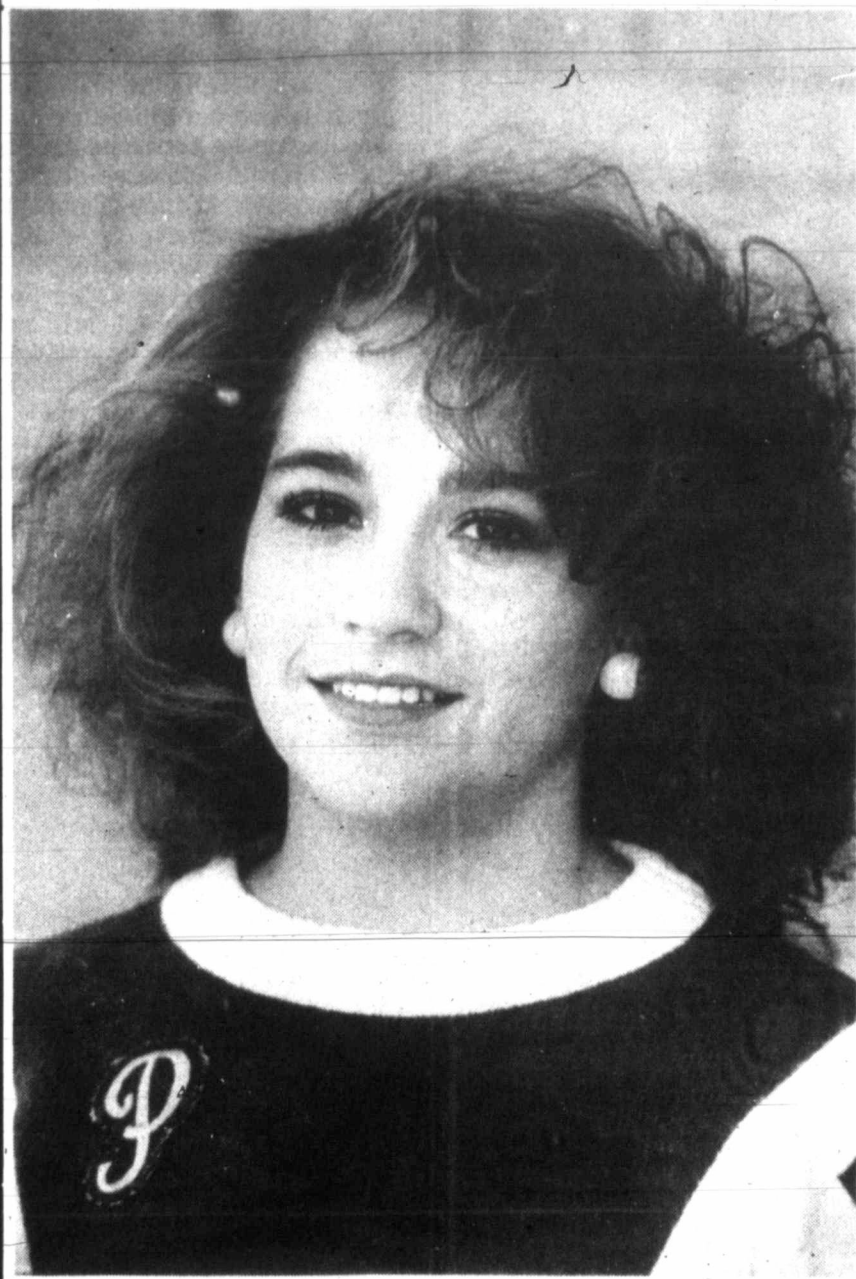
I once saw the aftermath of a tire blowout as a result of overinflation, and it was deadly. Always have a tire gauge, or have someone who works at the filling station tend to the air. If a tire blows, not only does the rubber shatter, but the steel rims also act like grenade fragments and will maim for life, if there is any life left. Thanks, Abby.

CAUTIOUS IN OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS.

DEAR CAUTIOUS: A word to the wise... Those who are unsure about how much air they should have in their tires should take the time to read the owner's manual that comes with the car. Each automaker has its own recommendations for city and freeway driving.

People are eating them up! For Abby's favorite recipes, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Miss Flame



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Pampa High School senior Kelly Winborne was named Miss Flame during the bonfire and pep rally last month before the football game with Borger. Winborne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodnie Winborne. She was escorted by Chris Archibald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Archibald. The other nominees for Miss Flame were Stephanie Moore, Gia Nix, Christa West, and Ginger Elms.

Alzheimer's meeting is planned for clergymen

AMARILLO — Panhandle Chapter, Alzheimer's Association, is hosting a "Community Forum for Clergy" on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 8:30 a.m. to noon in the auditorium of Texas Tech University Health Science Center, 1400 Wallace Blvd.

There is no fee to attend the forum. Brunch is provided. Pre-registration is recommended.

This forum is an excellent vehicle for religious leaders to acquaint themselves with the severe cognitive impairment involved in communicating with those afflicted by Alzheimer's Disease and "how to interact with and support persons with dementia and their families," organizers say.

Speakers for the forum include Joyce O'Rear, Ed.D., assistant professor, Department of Psychiatry & Neurology TTUHSC; Loralu Raburn, M.D., neurologist; and Gerald Petsch, pastor, a Lutheran minister for 28 years and circuit counselor for Panhandle Churches of Texas.

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Lifestyles

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Desert Shield prayer service

An interdenominational prayer service sponsored by Pampa supporters of Desert Shield will be held Saturday, Nov. 17 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Briarwood Full Gospel Church.

Organizer Andora Thurman would like for every church in Pampa to be represented at the prayer service, and offers a special invitation to anyone in Pampa and the area who has a family member serving in the military.

An estimated 200 members of the Desert Shield support group in Amarillo plan to attend the prayer service on Nov. 17.

Thurman is preparing an "Honor Board" which will be on display at the church. She would like to have addresses and photos, with rank and branch of service, of any members in the armed forces from Pampa and the area who are presently serving the country. They do not have to be participating in Desert Shield to be placed on the honor board. If photos are not available, Thurman would still like to use the service member's name and address. The information may be delivered to 2808 Rosewood, or telephone 665-0836.

The Pampa Desert Shield support group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Coronado Inn coffee shop.



Sgt. Rose Bateman

Air Force Sgt. Rose Bateman has been in the Middle East for three months attached to a B-52 bomber squadron from Loring Air Force Base, Maine.

She is the wife of Staff Sgt. Miles Bateman who is also serving in the Middle East, and the daughter-in-law of Betty White, and granddaughter of Ann Browning, all of Pampa.

In a letter from Sgt. Bateman, she thanked the people of Pampa and Gray County for their prayers and support of Desert Shield and offered a Gatorade toast in hopes "We all will be home for Christmas."

Rose and Miles Bateman both may be written at the following address:

Sgt. Rose Bateman
P.O. Box 29 (SAC)
FPO San Francisco, CA
96685-2000

Bobby Walton, son of Joel and Pam Walton, and a third grader at Horace Mann Elementary wrote an letter to a service person in Desert Shield, and received a reply from Marine Cpl. Ishmael Castillo.

Castillo, who is 20 years old and from Hereford, was pleased to get Bobby's letter, and especially liked the tank which Bobby had drawn on the paper (Bobby did not know at the time that his letter would reach a Marine Corps tanker). Castillo sent Bobby a photograph of his tank, which was taken in the desert.

Castillo wrote, "... thanks a lot for writing; you do not know how much it means to us over here. It helps you make it one more day." Castillo concluded his letter by saying, "I hope you never forget me, 'cause I will never forget you. Remember to always do your best in school, say no to drugs, make your Mom & Dad happy, and be somebody. 'Semper Fi' this means always Faithful."

Andrew Stacy Jackson, a 1988 graduate of McLean High School, is serving on the USS Iwo Jima (LPH-3) amphibious assault ship now stationed in the Persian Gulf. Jackson is magnetic media librarian in the data processing department.

Jackson joined the Navy in 1988 and received basic training at San Diego, Calif. where he received a letter of commendation in athletics.

He is the son of William and Mickey Jackson of McLean; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Langford of McLean; and Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Jackson of Amarillo.



Andrew S. Jackson

The Iwo Jima sustained an explosion in its boiler room during a port visit to Bahrain, located in the Persian Gulf. Six seamen were killed and four others severely injured. The ship's home port is Norfolk, Va, and carries a crew of 685 officers and enlisted men, plus about 1,100 Marines.

Jackson's interests include fishing, computers, cars and music. His address is:

Andrew S. Jackson 466-55-6145
USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2)
S-7 Division Supply
FPO New York, NY
09561-1625

Carey D. Smith of McLean, now serving on the USS Okinawa (LPH-3) and stationed in the Persian Gulf was mentioned in the first dateline: Desert Shield column, but his address was not available at that time.

Carey D. Smith, 462-49-2541
Commander, Amphibious Sqd. 5
FPO San Francisco, CA
96601-5804

Desert Shield pen pal network

SAN ANTONIO - Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday packages for soldiers in the Persian Gulf need to be selected and packaged now, according to the founder and "Post Master General" of the Desert Shield Pen Pal's Network, Al Rohde.

"If families and friends of soldiers want them to receive holiday packages in time, they need to start now. The deadlines are Nov. 16 for packages and Nov. 26 for letters and cards," said Rohde, who himself is a U.S. Marine combat veteran. "These packages are important to our soldiers, you cannot imagine what a morale booster they are."

Rohde said the U.S. Postal Service will be coping with tons of holiday mails in a few weeks. So he is gearing up his Desert Shield Yuletide "Remember Me" Mail Lift early.

"We expect our program to add tons of additional mail over the holidays; that is why it is important to begin now," Rohde explained. "Our GI mail lift is already averaging 100,000 pieces of mail daily. The additional holiday volume could slow delivery of mail and packages to our soldiers."

Rohde likes to call himself "Uncle Sam" because he was the official Uncle Sam for San Antonio during the 1976 Bicentennial Celebration. It is a role he takes seriously because it gives him a chance to do public service.

OVERSEAS PACKAGE GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Rohde said his organization has found the following items to be the best for shipment:

Food: Nuts, hard candy, gum, chewy cookies, dates, unsalted potato chips (in round cartons), popcorn, pretzels, chips and cheese balls, powdered drinks, raisins and beef jerky.

Gifts: Holiday decorations for mess halls and tents, AA and AAA batteries, board games, playing cards, frisbees, baseballs, footballs (uninflated but with inflation needles), small electronic games, VCR tapes of home and motion pictures, sunglasses.

PLEA FOR LETTERS

"We really need even more letters," Rohde said. "It is tough duty just waiting for something to happen. In World War II the letters and 'Remember Me Gift Packages' kept our spirits up and helped overcome boredom. The soldiers will share what they get, believe me, so people at home can help dozens of soldiers with one package."

"Our soldiers in the Persian Gulf will tell you that the most important things they need are food, ammo, combat-ready equipment and mail! But don't forget each Middle East 'Holiday Package' must display a U.S. Customs Forms declaring its contents. This form is available for

free at any Post Office," Rohde concluded.

WHERE TO WRITE

Texas residents who want to write Desert Shield Pen Pal Thanksgiving and Christmas cards and letters to members of specific Texas area military units participating in the Middle East now have several choices of addresses:

For any soldier from Texas from Fort Hood:
Any Texas Pen Pal Soldier
c/o Desert Shield Pen Pal's Network
"Operation Garyowen"
APO New York, NY 10009

For any soldier from Texas from Fort Bliss:
Any Texas Pen Pal Soldier
c/o Desert Shield Pen Pal's Network
APO New York, NY 09848-0006

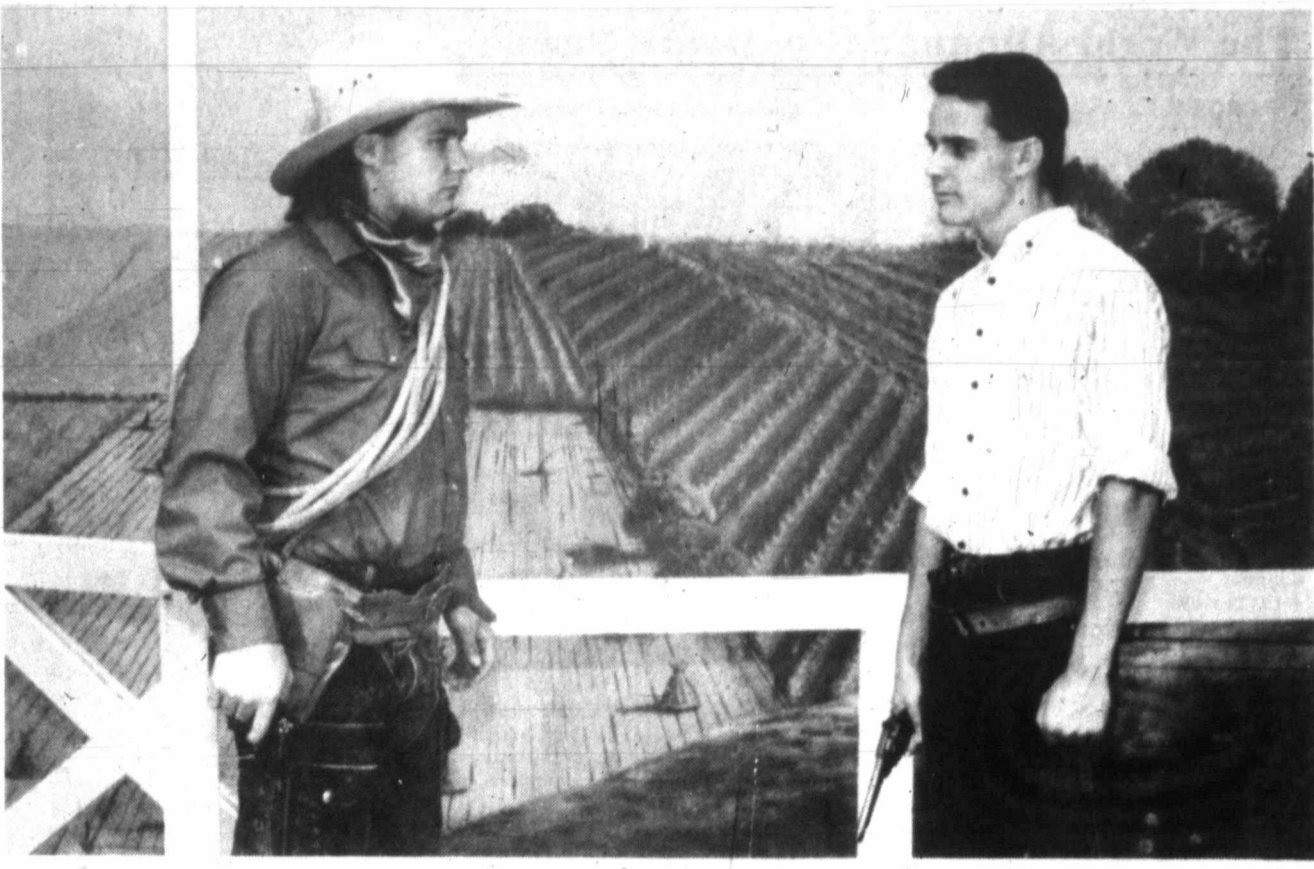
For members of the only Army Reserve unit so far deployed from South Texas (Greater San Antonio area):
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c/o Desert Shield Pen Pal's Network
541st Transportation Detachment
APO New York, NY 09309

For members of the 3700th Air Base Group at Lackland AFB:
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c/o USCENAF-FWD-(ESC)
APO New York, NY 09852

For any U.S. Marine Texas Pen Pal at sea:
U.S. Navy Texas Pen Pal at Sea
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FPO New York, NY 09866-0006

For information on the nationwide Desert Shield Pen Pal's Network:
c/o Al "Uncle Sam" Rohde
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San Antonio, TX 78216



'Curly' (left) and 'Jud' square off over their mutual attraction for the same girl in a scene from the musical Oklahoma. Senior Mark Henderson, son of John and Joann Henderson, plays the part of 'Curly,' and senior Chris LaRue, son of Frankie LaRue and Kurt Foster, plays the part of 'Jud.'

Pampa High School Choral stages musical 'Oklahoma'

Oklahoma, Rodgers and Hammerstein's most beloved musical will be presented by the Pampa High School Choral Department on Nov. 9, 10 and 11 in the high school auditorium.

Performances on Friday and Saturday begin at 7:30 p.m., and the Sunday matinee begins at 2:30 p.m.

The musical Oklahoma was first performed at New York's St. James Theater in March 1943. The popular movie version starring Shirley Jones and Gordon Macrea was produced in the early 50s.

The story centers around the loves and trials of ranchers and farmers in the Oklahoma Indian Territory, just after the turn of the century. Emotions run high as conflicts arise between the two groups of settlers when their basic ideas about land use differ greatly.

The principal characters in Oklahoma are Aunt Eller, played by Tara Webb; Curly McLane, played by Mark Henderson; Laurey Williams, played by Chantelle Rohrbacher; Ado Annie, played by Ginger Meers; Will Parker, played by Spencer Neff; Ali Hokim played by Todd Peak, and Gertie Cummins, played by Shelley Vinson. There also is a large chorus and cast of dancers in the musical.

Oklahoma is co-directed by Fred Mays and Susie Wilson.

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The World Almanac Crossword Puzzle

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- Videotape type
 - Saucer-shaped bell
 - VP's superior
 - Popeye's friend Olive
 - Celebes ox
 - Comedian Jay
 - Group of opinions
 - Door column
 - Covered with moisture
 - Elderly person
 - It precedes gas
 - Up to now
 - Spun
 - Plaster of Paris
 - Life story
 - Biblical tribe
 - Regretted
 - Constellation

- DOWN**
- Blank
 - Jekyll's
 - Exclamation of annoyance
 - Pasture sound
 - Relaxes
 - In need of water
 - Oedipus
 - Born
 - Audiophile's need
 - Prescribed amount
 - Bestow
 - Those who act as sureties
 - First
 - Post Pound
 - Scarlet
 - Marshes
 - Russian ruler
 - Same (comb. form)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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4 Twist about
5 Four qts.
6 Yoko
7 Not functioning properly (sl.)
8 Joyously
9 Wall covering
- 9 Lease payment
10 Grafted, in heraldry
11 Glide aloft
12 Court hearing
16 Temp. unit
20 South of Ga.
23 Parry
25 Construction beam
26 Dry (dishes)
27 Adjective ending
28 Shoot out
30 Destroyer's targets
31 Stool, e.g.
32 Singer Anita
35 Actress
38 Madeline
40 Even score
43 Place
45 Cincinnati ball club
47 Sailing ship
49 Weekend-welcoming abbr.
50 Married woman
51 Author Hunter
52 Tease
54 Biblical king
55 Looks at
56 Opposite of ecto
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GEECH By Jerry Bittle

WE HEARD YOU LOST YOUR JOB.
ACTUALLY, THEY JUST MOVED IT TO A TOWN NO ONE CAN FIND.
I LOST MY JOB ONCE.
NO, YOU DIDN'T.
YOU GOT LOST ON YOUR WAY TO THE JOB!
AND IT WAS MORE THAN ONCE.
WELL, I KNOW I COULDN'T FIND IT.
A GOOD MAP IS BETTER THAN A RESUME.

THE WIZARD OF ID By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

I SEE PEOPLE IN YOUR COURT WHO WISH YOU HARM!
NONSENSE! ...THEY LOVE ME!
...MATTER OF FACT, THEY INVITED ME TO THEIR TOON PARTY TONIGHT.
PALM'S
ET TU, STUPID?

EEK AND MEEK By Howie Schneider

WHY IS IT THAT WHITE-COLLAR CRIMINALS ALWAYS SAY BEING BROUGHT TO TRIAL WAS PUNISHMENT ENOUGH?
IT'S PART OF THE MYTH THAT AN EDUCATED PERSON DOESN'T BELONG IN JAIL.
AND ALL UNEDUCATED PEOPLE DO.
YEAH, RIGHT...

B.C. By Johnny Hart

WHAT WOULD YOU LOVE TO DO, THAT YOU'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO DO?
RUN AWAY FROM HOME.

MARVIN By Tom Armstrong

MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson

KIT 'N' CARLYLE By Larry Wright

CLUNK! By Dave Graue

OKAY, SO MAYBE I COULD STAND TO LOSE A FEW POUNDS.

ALLEY OOP By Bruce Beattie

THAT'S TWO BIG BURGERS, TWO FRIES, AND TWO LARGE DRINKS! THANK YOU, SIR!
HERE, JAKE, TRY THIS! IT'S A MEAT SANDWICH!
THANK YOU, MA'AM!

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane

"Pelicans could learn a lot from Greg Louganis."

WINTHROP By Dick Cavalli

I CAN'T THINK OF A SINGLE REASON...
WHY I WASN'T INVITED TO JODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY.
JODY THOUGHT OF FIFTEEN.

SNAFU By Bruce Beattie

"I don't fumigate. I walk through your house playing the bagpipes!"

THE BORN LOSER By Art and Chip Sansom

OPERATOR, I FOUND \$1.25 IN THE COIN SLOT...
BUT EACH TIME I TRY TO RETURN IT, IT COMES BACK...
WHAT SHOULD I DO FROM IN CINCINNATI?
HMM... DO YOU THEN PHONE HIM? IT'LL COST \$1.25 FOR THREE MINUTES, AND WE'LL HAVE OUR COINS.
MATTER OF FACT, I DO...

FRANK AND ERNEST By Bob Thaves

I'VE GOT AN APPOINTMENT TO SPEAK TO A ROOM FULL OF LAYMEN, AND I CAN'T FIND MY CLERICAL COLLAR!
OH, NO! A LAY DATE AND A COLLAR SHORT!

CALVIN AND HOBBS By Bill Watterson

Get off the swing, Twinky.
FORGET IT, MOE. WAIT YOUR TURN.
PUNCH!
IT'S HARD TO BE RELIGIOUS WHEN CERTAIN PEOPLE ARE NEVER INCINERATED BY BOLTS OF LIGHTNING.

PEANUTS By Charles M. Schulz

THE ONLY REASON I GO TO SCHOOL IS TO BECOME RICH AND FAMOUS...
WELL, A GOOD EDUCATION CAN BE VERY VALUABLE.
EDUCATION?

GARFIELD By Jim Davis

WATER BALLOON IN THE PANTS!
SPOT!
MY WORK HERE IS DONE.

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Astro-Graph

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In order to gratify your own interests and objectives today, there's a chance you may do so in ways that others will find offensive. Don't let desires override diplomacy. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It's best to let sleeping dogs lie today. If you unwittingly dredge up an old, unpleasant issue, it might provoke hostility in a friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Providing business advice to a friend could turn out to be a no-win situation for you today. If this person's involvement doesn't pan out right, you might be blamed for the failure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) As a team player, you might leave a lot to be desired today. Avoid slipping into arrangements where you must rely on a partner who must depend on you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Usually you're willing to pitch in and lend a helping hand where needed, but today, you might deeply resent it if anyone asks you to do something you didn't first think of yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try to avoid involvements in risky endeavors today where someone other than yourself is calling the shots. If you can't be captain of your own ship, it's best to pass the action.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A lack of patience with members of your household is a strong possibility today. If you see anyone in your family walking around with a long face, you might be the cause.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Issuing commands will come rather easy for you today. However, if you expect others to follow your edicts, you'd better be certain you have first set the proper example.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Before committing yourself to picking up the check for business associates or friends today, carefully scan the prices to be sure you have enough bread in your wallet to cover the event.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Demands placed on you by others could severely lessen your independence and mobility today. If you don't control this situation, you might not be able to take care of your personal interests.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) There is a possibility you could be unduly sensitive to the remarks of companions today. Carefully analyze what they say, so you'll not mistake a casual comment for a put down.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Be on guard today, because an acquaintance with whom you've had a testy relationship lately might try to create an issue over something of a material nature.

