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(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Heather Douglas, right, an employee of Community Day Care Center, works with 2-year-old Geneva Wildcat, who is coloring with crayons at the center during an activity period. The Community Day Care Center is a United Way agency. The United Way campaign is ongoing this month with a goal of \$332,000.

## United Way campaign hits 38% of goal during its latest check-in

By BETH MILLER  
Staff Writer

Pampa United Way checked-in at 38 percent of its \$332,000 goal during a meeting Thursday at the Community Day Care Center with a total of \$125,513.06 in pledges received to date.

The day care center and Boy Scouts of America, Golden Spread Council, co-sponsored the sixth check-in for the 1990 campaign.

Jack Gindorf, campaign chairman, said United Way volunteers need to be "sharing" with other people what the United Way is all about. This year's theme is "Sharing and Caring from the Heart."

Speaking of the meeting at the day care, where presentations were made by both co-sponsors of the check-in, Gindorf said, "Tell somebody what you saw here and how United Way dollars are working."

Contributions to Pampa United Way help fund 15 different non-profit organizations.

Barbara Kirkham of the Community Day Care Center said child care is provided for children up to 12 years old at the center of all socio-

economic levels.

"We have 100 to 110 children a day that are here at some time," Kirkham said.

Fifteen staff members provide the care for the children and a 15-member board of directors oversees the operation.

United Way contributions, federal funds, local donations and parents' fees provide the funding for the day care to stay in operation and to provide curriculum and nutritional needs of the children.

There are an estimated 25 children of school age that come early in the morning and/or come to the day care after school, Kirkham said.

Keith Cook with the Boy Scouts said the three main goals of the organization are character development, citizenship and physical training for young men and women ages 6 to 18.

Various programs are offered for the youth, depending on their particular age. At age 11 is when the youth enter what's traditionally thought of as the Boy Scouts - hiking, camping and canoeing.

Although the three goals of the organization are stressed, Cook said

fun has to be added into the program or the children will not participate.

At age 14 the Boy Scouts can get more into the varsity or adventure programs. Exploring is another program of the Boy Scouts that Cook said will probably grow considerably in the next few years.

He said in Exploring a person can explore vocational or occupational fields to find out if he likes a particular field before putting a lot of money into it by attending college or getting more training.

"If it wasn't for the United Way and the citizens of Pampa, we couldn't do this," Cook said of the Boy Scouts program.

Other agencies funded by the United Way besides the two co-sponsors of the Thursday check-in are American Red Cross, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Genesis House, Girl Scouts-Quivira Council, Gray County Child Protective Services, Gray County Latch Key, High Plains Epilepsy Association, Pampa Family Services, Pampa Meals on Wheels, Pampa Sheltered Workshop, South Side Senior Citizens Center, The Salvation Army and Tralee Crisis Center.

## Senate fails to vote on China trade sanction

WASHINGTON (AP) - A largely symbolic effort to punish China with higher import tariffs for repressing pro-democracy demonstrators faltered early today as the Senate missed a deadline to vote on the measure.

The House voted 247-174 Thursday to immediately suspend China's most-favored-nation trade status.

The vote was aimed at reversing President Bush's decision in May to keep the present low tariffs on Chinese imports through June 1991.

However, under a trade law enacted in August, the Senate also would have had to pass the resolution by midnight Thursday. Bush was expected to veto the measure anyway, and

the two houses lacked the two-thirds margin needed to override his veto.

The Senate spent all of Thursday night working on its five-year, \$500 billion deficit-reduction plan. At midnight, Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, pronounced the effort to curtail trade with the Chinese dead for the year.

The Senate still could try to act on a House-passed alternative that would make future renewals of China's favored trade status, after June 1991, conditioned to the release of all political prisoners and other human rights improvements.

However, key lawmakers said supporters lacked the two-thirds majority in either house to override any Bush veto on that measure too.

Lifting the most-favored-nation trade status - granted to China a decade ago - would increase tariffs on its exports to the United States tenfold.

## Residents can vote absentee Saturday

The Gray County Clerk's Office will be open for absentee voting from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Saturday only, said County Clerk Wanda Carter.

Carter said 15 people signed their names to a petition asking that the clerk's office be kept open one Saturday before the Nov. 6 general election for people who otherwise might not have a chance to vote.

Absentee voting in person began this Wednesday and continues

through Nov. 2. From Monday through Friday, the clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. for people to cast ballots.

Under a 1987 state law that relaxed absentee voting requirements, registered voters need not give a specific reason for casting in-person ballots during the extended voting period.

The clerk's office is located on the south end of the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse.

## Voluntary donations aiding parks, Clean Pampa and holiday decorations

By DEE DEE LARAMORE  
News Editor

Voluntary donations to improve the appearance of the city totaled \$36,000 for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990, City Manager Glen Hackler reported Thursday.

The citizens of Pampa \$1 donation can be sent to the program through the City of Pampa's utility bill each month. Funds from the program are then divided so that 75 percent goes towards city parks improvements, 15 percent is presented to Clean Pampa Inc., and 10 percent goes towards the purchase and upgrading of seasonal decorations for the city.

Approved in October 1989, the program went into effect in November 1989. In 11 months, \$36,310.21 have been collected through voluntary donations. Of that amount, \$25,591.13 went to the parks, \$6,050.66 to Clean Pampa Inc., and \$4,668.45 to seasonal decorations, Hackler said.

Public participation in the program has consistently

run at 50 percent of Pampa residents using the city's utilities, Hackler said.

In February, the city began using the money to make repairs on sprinkler systems in the city's major parks. Parks Department workers also began clearing the hike and bike trails, Hackler said. A spraying program to keep the weeds off the trails has also been implemented, he said.

"These are high cost items that are often taken for granted. You build a hike and bike trail but don't realize the cost of the upkeep," the city manager explained.

Another project to be funded through the program includes renovation of the tennis courts at Central Park, said Pampa Mayor Richard Peet.

He said the court would be resurfaced and lighting would be installed that could not be easily vandalized. Although poles for lights presently exist at the tennis courts, vandals have shot out or thrown rocks at the light bulbs.

Hackler said the Parks Department also plans to provide tables and grills and playground equipment to

## Democrats say they're willing to negotiate deficit reduction

By JIM LUTHER  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Senior House Democrats today indicated a willingness to negotiate a deficit-reduction plan that includes some increase in the gasoline tax, but insisted President Bush must accept a higher burden on the rich.

"Obviously, compromises are required," House Speaker Thomas S. Foley told reporters after a party caucus. "The insistence of the president in having no income tax changes (affecting the rich) seems to be inexplicable and inflexible."

Democrats, he said, will insist House and Senate negotiators moderate a Senate proposal to increase the gasoline tax by 9 1/2 cents and raise Medicare premiums.

The conferees began working on a compromise measure after the Senate passed its deficit plan on a 54-46 vote this morning.

"One more big hurdle and then we'll have the job done," said Majority Leader George J. Mitchell, D-Maine.

The House measure, vastly different from the Senate bill, would take three-fifths of its revenue from higher income taxpayers. The Senate wants to raise money by increasing the tax on gasoline, alcohol, cigarettes and luxury items.

Congressional leaders had hoped to work out differences in time to get an agreement to Bush before midnight Friday, when the temporary funding measure expires. However, they indicated today that a final bill is unlikely before next week.

Bush has indicated he'll sign stopgap legislation extending authority through Wednesday to avoid another partial shutdown of the government.

The stopgap bill has passed the House and is awaiting a Senate vote. It would give Congress time to complete work on some of the 13 annual spending bills before adjourning for the year.

At the White House today, Bush said the Senate bill "offers some real hope for getting the budget deficit

matter under control," but would not discuss what he thinks the final version should contain.

"I, for the first time, feel optimistic that we can get this job done for the American people," Bush said.

As the Senate completed work on the bill, many Republicans still weren't forgiving Bush for abandoning his pledge to oppose tax increases.

"Raising taxes in the face of a recession is a hare-brained idea," said Sen. Bill Armstrong, R-Colo., who voted against the measure.

The Senate deficit plan would raise the 9-cent gasoline tax to 18 1/2 cents a gallon; limit itemized deductions of those with incomes over \$100,000 a year; boost the Medicare tax for people earning over \$51,300, and make permanent the expiring 3 percent tax on telephone service.

The House version, which Bush has promised to veto, would get most of its revenue from higher-income people. But it also would hit lower- and middle-income people across the board by blocking next year's scheduled inflation adjustments in tax brackets and personal exemptions.

Despite stark differences that have prompted cries of class warfare from critics, the bills agree on many points.

Either would raise consumer taxes on tobacco, alcoholic beverages, airplane tickets and expensive cars, boats, furs and jewels. Medicare beneficiaries would have to pay higher premiums for Part B coverage and more out of pocket for doctors' bills before Medicare starts paying.

Both bills include changes in scores of federal fees and benefit programs, all designed to save money and reduce the budget deficit. These range from \$13.5 billion of cuts in farm programs, to higher penalties on businesses where safety violations are found, to tightening eligibility requirements for student loans.

The mixture of tax increases, user fees and benefit reductions would provide about half the \$500 billion, five-year deficit reduction on which Congress and the Bush administration have been trying to find agreement for five months.

## South Side Senior Citizens Center to sell barbecue for fund-raiser

The South Side Senior Citizens Center is ready for a fund-raising barbecue set for noon to 5 p.m. Saturday in Marcus Sanders Park.

Mae Williams, director of the senior citizens center, said today that more than 200 tickets have been prepared for the event and she expects more than 200 people to purchase the barbecue plates.

Available on the menu will be a choice of barbecued chicken, barbecued ribs and barbecued beef. With the meat will be potato salad, cole slaw and cake. Donations of \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children are requested for each plate.

The fund-raiser is to help the group get funds to aid in the construction of a new building or to go toward events of the senior citizens center.

Members of the Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) branch at Zion Lutheran Church in Pampa have joined forces with members of South Side Senior Citizens to help in the fund-raiser.

"This has been a goal they have been working on for quite a while," noted Joy Thomas, local AAL president. "It's a project worthy of our community's support and participation."

Thomas said AAL will match all money made through the barbecue, up to \$500.

"This is called 'Helping Hands,' which is designed to help non-profit organizations," Thomas said. "We were shopping for a place or group we could help and came across this."

Tickets for the barbecue are also available on a donation basis from South Side Senior Citizens Center, Post Office Service Station, Pampa Pawn or from members of the center.



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Mae Williams, director of the South Side Senior Citizens Center, watches Alvis Sanders as he demonstrates the ribs and chicken that he will barbecue Saturday during a fund-raiser for the center.

to meet with city officials to discuss the best way to disperse the money to benefit all areas and in way that would address future needs. Replacement cost for bulbs alone is \$400 to \$500 each year, Hackler said.

Issues that will be considered in the meetings include whether replacing the decorations or to upgrade and expand the present decorations, discussing the city's role and deciding whose responsibility it is to buy the decorations. Also to be considered is whether decorations be bought only for streets and lights, or one major display purchased.

"We recognize that we put them up and store them because we have the facilities to do that," Hackler said.

City employees are now inventorying the decorations stored with the city and determining their condition. Right now, the city puts up more than 160 decorations each year.

"At the price per replacement, we just don't have the money," Hackler said, adding that it would probably take three to five years at the present rate to overhaul and revamp the present decorations.



# Newspaper report: Witness says he saw Richards taking cocaine

By The Associated Press

A New Mexico newspaper today reported that a Santa Fe, N.M., tour operator has told the San Antonio sheriff he witnessed Democratic gubernatorial candidate Ann Richards using cocaine 13 years ago.

The Albuquerque Journal said Richards' campaign denied the charge. Calls from The Associated Press to her campaign's headquarters early today were answered by a machine.

The Journal said tour operator J.D. Arnold told a Bexar County sheriff's investigator that he saw Richards use cocaine in a foyer outside a restroom at the Stoneleigh P. bar in Dallas during the early morning hours of Dec. 7, 1977, after a fund-raising banquet for then-congressman Jim Mattox.

Richards' staff said Arnold is a former aide to Mattox, who Richards defeated in a bitter Democratic primary runoff.

After Richards refused to say yes or no when asked during a debate whether she had ever abused illegal drugs, Mattox sought to make that question a campaign issue during the primary.

The Richards campaign said Arnold is an unreliable source because of his past run-ins with the law and that Arnold's charge is a tactic by Richards' opponent, Republican Clayton Williams.

Arnold told the Journal that he made the charges public "because I can't stand Ann Richards. I'm so sick of her. I'm sick of everything she's done. It all goes back to the comments she made (about Mattox), like 'He's like a chicken-killing dog.'"

Richards' campaign workers say Arnold was charged with rape in Dallas and that he's been convicted of DWI, the newspaper said. Arnold denied ever being arrested or charged for DWI and said the Richards campaign is trying to discredit him. He said the rape charge was filed by a former lover and was dropped by the grand jury without hearing his testimony.

Judy Powers of Los Alamos, N.M., said she was at the gathering that night and said Richards never was there.

"I don't know why he'd want to help Clayton

Williams, he's been a lifelong Democrat," Ms. Powers said. "But I do know that Ann Richards was not there."

Jim DeLesdempt, chief of the criminal investigation division for the Bexar County Sheriff's Office, said he flew to Santa Fe on Monday to talk to Arnold as part of an investigation into drug trafficking in the San Antonio area. He said the trip was not politically motivated.

DeLesdempt refused to confirm whether there had been an allegation of cocaine use by Richards. "We have quite a heated governor's race here and at this point, I would rather not confirm it or deny it," he told the Albuquerque newspaper.

DeLesdempt said Sheriff Harlan Copeland authorized the trip to interview Arnold. He said that although Arnold's charges involve events past Texas' five-year statute of limitations, he believes they could lead to more recent incidents.

"Don't you think that on the surface it stinks?" Monte Williams, a spokesman for Richards, said Wednesday.

"It's laughable that the Bexar County sheriff would spend taxpayers' dollars to send a minion to Santa Fe to ask about some crap in 1977 that a former Jim Mattox employee alleged happened in Dallas County," he said. "This is a sign of how desperate the Clayton Williams campaign has become."

"Harlan Copeland cannot accept the fact that Clayton Williams is likely to lose this race. It's clearly a ploy by Harlan Copeland," Monte Williams told the newspaper.

"It's just sad that (Clayton) Williams has to go to New Mexico to peddle a story that he can't sell in Texas," Monte Williams added.

Reggie Bashur, a spokesman for Williams, told The Associated Press that the GOP campaign had nothing to do with Arnold or his charges. "The answer is no. As far as we're concerned, this comes totally out of left field," he said.

"We can empathize with the Richards campaign. Obviously, they're upset and very worried at this stage of a campaign. They certainly wouldn't want to engage in this type of discussion. They're throwing arrows at us while it's untrue and unfounded," Bashur said.

## Helping United Way



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Wal-Mart in Pampa is selling posters like the one shown in this picture for \$1. The money raised is being donated to the Pampa United Way. From left are Mike Freyburger, manager of Wal-Mart; Jack Gindorf, United Way campaign chairman; and Peggy David, director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters and a United Way volunteer. A bake sale, to raise funds for the United Way campaign, is also in the planning stages by Wal-Mart employees. Wal-Mart will match every dollar raised during the bake sale, up to \$2,000.

## Mattox pleased with court decision on river water

AUSTIN (AP) — A special court master has recommended to the U.S. Supreme Court that it find that New Mexico has violated the Canadian River Compact by holding back water from Texas and Oklahoma, Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox said.

Mattox said Thursday that Special Master Jerome Muys, who was appointed by the U.S. Supreme Court, also asked the court to return the case to him to determine remedies for the violations.

Muys found that New Mexico stored water in the Ute Reservoir

near Tucumcari that should have been flowing to Texas and Oklahoma under the guidelines of the 1950 river compact, Mattox said.

"Water is a precious commodity in the farming and ranching areas of West Texas and the Panhandle," Mattox said. "They need their water. New Mexico has a bad habit of siphoning our water for their use."

In February, the U.S. Supreme Court ordered New Mexico to pay Texas \$14 million in damages for holding back more than its share of

Pecos River water that should have been flowing downstream to West Texas, Mattox said.

The Canadian River begins in northeastern New Mexico and flows eastward through the Texas Panhandle into Oklahoma. The river flows into Lake Meredith, which supplies municipal water to Lubbock, Amarillo, Plainview, Pampa, Brownfield, Tahoka, and other cities in the high plains.

The special master's report is the result of a lawsuit filed in 1987 by Mattox and the state of Oklahoma.

## Court puts Lubbock dress code on hold

By CHIP BROWN  
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK (AP) — School district officials were surprised by a judge's restraining order on the district's dress code, which allows boys with long hair and earrings to go back to class.

"We were somewhat surprised," said Mike Moses, superintendent of the Lubbock Independent School District.

"Obviously it creates some confusion about the policy. But we are going to adhere to the order of the court, and at the proper time and manner, we will respond."

Portions of the 1990-91 LISD dress code ban male students from wearing earrings, longer than shoulder length hair, ponytails, rat tails or braids.

District Judge Brad Underwood issued a restraining order against the LISD in response to a lawsuit filed by the families of Michael Buckley, a fifth-grader at Roscoe Wilson Elementary, and Tico Kelley, a sophomore at Lubbock High School.

Michael, an honors student, has been wearing a rat tail for more than three years. Tico, an American Indi-

an, wears his hair down to his mid-back as part of his heritage. Both boys have been out of school for more than two months.

In unanimous decisions, the school board rejected appeals by parents of both students to allow the youngsters back in school.

"The restraining order says the school board must suspend the imposition of the dress code as it applies to hair length and the wearing of earrings for boys," Underwood said Thursday.

He said the order would remain in effect until a preliminary hearing scheduled Oct. 30.

Students declared victory as boys wearing long hair and earrings were allowed back to class.

"You bet it's a victory," said Chris Gonzales, a senior at Lubbock High School, who had been kicked out of class for wearing long hair.

"I know we will win this, that's why I didn't cut my hair. I also know the LISD did not expect this. It's gotta be a real blow to them."

"It's wonderful," Ana Kelley, Tico's mother, said Thursday. "It's too bad we have had to go through those measures, but Tico needs to be

in school. Now we hope the ultimate decision will be as successful."

Attorneys J. Edwin Price, Steve McIntyre and Rodric Schoen filed a lawsuit against the LISD Wednesday on behalf of the Michael and Tico, alleging that the school district's dress code is discriminatory.

Schoen, a member of the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, said allowing girls to wear long hair and earrings, but prohibiting boys to do the same "is in violation of the Texas Equal Rights Amendment."

The students are also being deprived their right to public education and suffering daily loss of social contact with their peers, according to the plaintiff's petition.

Moses said a committee has been appointed to review the LISD dress code and likely will meet next week.

The committee consists of two high school principals, two teachers, citizens on both sides of the issue, an administrative assistant and student council presidents of the five high schools.

"We will utilize the focus review committee to look at the policy, then make any decisions based on the interests of all students in the district," Moses said.

## Jury convicts 13-year-old in killing

KERRVILLE (AP) — Jurors deliberated about two hours before convicting a 13-year-old boy of murder in the slaying of a girl who was stabbed and cut 97 times.

Terrence Sampson could receive up to 30 years in prison for the crime when the sentencing phase of his trial begins today.

He was convicted Thursday afternoon of murdering Kelly Brumbelow, 13, who was killed Dec. 2, 1989. Her body was found in a wood pile in the back yard of Sampson's Round Rock home.

The boy was tried under a law allowing youths as young as 10 to be tried as juveniles and adults. His trial

was moved to Kerrville on a change of venue because of extensive news coverage in Williamson County.

Prosecutors said Sampson killed Miss Brumbelow because she refused his romantic advances toward her.

In closing arguments Thursday, prosecutors reminded the five-man, seven-woman jury of the state's evidence, including a blood-stained sweatshirt said to be worn by Sampson and photographs of scratches found on his hands and chest the day after the killing.

But defense attorney Chris Gunter argued there were too many unanswered questions surrounding

the death of Miss Brumbelow.

Gunter said tissues found at the home that contained blood not matching either Sampson's or the victim's was evidence someone else could be the killer. The defense rested its case Wednesday without calling a single witness.

Sampson and Miss Brumbelow were honor seventh-graders at C.D. Fulkes Middle School, where Sampson played on the football team and Miss Brumbelow was a cheerleader.

The boy's parents, Sherry and Joe Sampson, had been subpoenaed to testify but could not be located to be served, attorneys said.

## Vandals damage nearly 100 headstones, grave markers

CASTROVILLE, Texas (AP) — Vandals who overturned or damaged nearly 100 headstones and grave markers in the historical section of Castroville's St. Louis Catholic Church Cemetery caused an estimated \$15,000 damage, an official says.

Leon Tschirhart, chairman of the cemetery board, said he believes at least four or five people were involved in the vandalism and the effort took a long time.

"We have no idea who did it or why. We are planning to offer a reward for information leading to their arrest," Tschirhart told the San Antonio Express-News.

No messages or other signs were left behind by the vandals, but he

said all of the damaged crosses were placed upside down.

"I don't know if that means anything or not," he said.

Tschirhart said it was the first major vandalism at the cemetery

that he can remember.

Volunteers will start working to repair the damage as soon as possible so the cemetery can be ready for All Souls Day on Nov. 1, he said.

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Feeling stuffed, this scarecrow-attired dummy rests on the front porch of Aubrey Milligan's residence on North Faulkner Thursday afternoon. Perhaps he's getting in some relaxation before having to greet all the trick-or-treaters to come on Halloween night.

Soviets give nod to new economic plan

By ANDREW KATELL  
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Parliament today gave preliminary approval to President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's economic reform plan, after he accused his key rival of shirking responsibility for the transformation to a free market system.

The Supreme Soviet voted 356 to 12 in favor of the plan, with 26 abstentions, and began debating possible amendments.

Gorbachev, selling his plan as "the only rational course of action," said the huge Russian Federation wants faster, more radical changes but is afraid of the social and economic disruptions they would cause.

In a 50-minute speech, Gorbachev also dismissed concerns that the switch from a centrally planned system was a retreat from socialism.

Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin has lambasted Gorbachev's program as a "catastrophe" that is "doomed to fail" within months after touching off inflation and unemployment.

He said the largest and richest of the 15 Soviet republics may proceed with a more radical 500-day plan as early as Nov. 1.

Gorbachev said he shared Yeltsin's concern and alarm about the country's deteriorating economy, and his fears of inflation. But he noted the Russian parliament recently raised the wholesale prices of meat, and said this touched off a wave of inflation.

"Comrade Yeltsin's assertions are strange, to say the least," Gorbachev said. "I'm under the impression that the Russian leadership is afraid of difficulties and wants to pass on responsibility for possible difficulties and consequences ... onto central organs of power."

Leaders of the 15 republics were invited to join the 542 national lawmakers in listening to Gorbachev's speech in the Supreme Soviet's beige marble hall, but

Yeltsin was not present.

Gorbachev, in a low-key address, appealed to the Russian parliament, the national Supreme Soviet and other lawmakers nationwide to adopt his program. "We cannot delay any longer," he said.

Some parts of the plan must be approved by the national legislature, but most provisions are to be implemented by the republics. Gorbachev also has the authority until next March to unilaterally impose some changes.

Gorbachev's plan, distributed to parliamentary committees for study on Tuesday, would transform the moribund Soviet economy in four stages. It sets no deadline for the switch from a centrally planned economy, but says other countries have achieved similar goals in 18 months to two years.

Gorbachev has tried to merge the radical 500-day plan already adopted by the huge Russian republic with several other proposals, including a far more conservative plan drafted by Prime Minister Nikolai I. Ryzhkov.

His 66-page plan begins by cutting the budget deficit and the nation's money supply, increasing production of consumer goods and boosting agricultural output.

In the second stage, prices on roughly 70 percent of all goods and services would be freed to respond to market forces and small private businesses would be encouraged.

The third stage calls for a free market for housing, a modern banking system and entrepreneurship. The final stage would end government monopolies in many industries and allow the ruble to be freely traded against other world currencies.

The plan would give the ethnically and geographically diverse republics more clout in running the economy. They would have the right to control most of the resources in their territory, override price increases approved by central authorities and decide whether to break up collective farms into private plots.

Soviet gulf expert rules out rewards for Iraq

By BARRY SCHWEID  
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's emissary to Iraq is calling on President Bush with assurances of solid Kremlin support for tougher international sanctions aimed at forcing Iraq out of Kuwait.

U.S. officials said envoy Yevgeny Primakov stressed that Moscow wants to keep working through the United Nations to reverse the Aug. 2 invasion with political and diplomatic measures. Primakov stopped in Rome and Paris this week on his way to Washington.

Among the new steps under consideration are demanding reparations from Iraq for what Secretary of State James A. Baker III calls "the rape of Kuwait" and possibly an international trial of President Saddam Hussein as a war criminal.

The U.N. Security Council has banned virtually all trade with Iraq, but after more than two months of occupying Kuwait the Iraqi leader

has not bowed to the pressure.

Primakov gave no indication in his talks with Italian and French officials, or in his meeting Thursday with Baker, that Gorbachev has an alternative formula to end the Persian Gulf standoff, the U.S. officials said before today's White House meeting.

After seeing Baker on Thursday, the Soviet envoy ruled out any deal with Saddam that would reward the Iraqi leader for pulling troops out of Kuwait.

"We should look for some possibilities to avoid, from my point of view, the military clashes, but not reward Iraq, of course, with its actions," Primakov said in halting English before climbing into a waiting black limousine.

The Soviet official, who was accompanied by Deputy Foreign Minister Viktor P. Karpov, then met for a half-hour with Brent Scowcroft, the president's national security adviser.

Asked whether Primakov reported seeing any signs that Saddam might soften his position, Scowcroft

told reporters, "he says he's interested but ... there wasn't really anything new" in what Primakov reported.

The unannounced visit to the State Department revived interest in hints that the Iraqi leader might withdraw his troops from the oil-rich emirate in exchange for a strategic island that controls access to Iraq's only military port in the Persian Gulf or for free elections in the emirate and compensation for Iraqi oil claims.

The United States and the Soviet Union are cooperating in efforts to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait through economic pressures. But as war talk mounted, Gorbachev sent Primakov to Baghdad in search of a political settlement.

On Wednesday, testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Baker encountered growing concern among lawmakers that U.S. troops would be sent into action against Iraq if the trade embargo imposed two months ago by the United Nations fails to force an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

AIDS carrier convicted of exposing boy to virus

MARION, Ill. (AP) — An AIDS carrier was convicted of exposing an 8-year-old boy to the killer virus in a sexual assault case that was the first test of the state's novel AIDS exposure law.

Randall Lee Dempsey, 34, was found guilty Thursday of criminal transmission of HIV, the organism that causes AIDS, and aggravated sexual assault.

Jurors deliberated more than 11 hours before convicting Dempsey of forcing the boy to perform oral sex. The boy had testified against Dempsey.

Dempsey could face up to 30 years in prison on the assault count and a maximum seven-year term on the AIDS exposure count.

The Illinois AIDS exposure law, which took effect in September 1989, requires only that offenders know they are infected when they engage in activities that could transmit the virus to others.

Conviction does not require that the victim develop AIDS.

One of the main ways the disease is spread is through sexual contact.

Dempsey, of rural Marion in south-central Illinois, twice tested positive for HIV, the AIDS virus.

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He was attacked in May and his mother said ultimately he will be tested.

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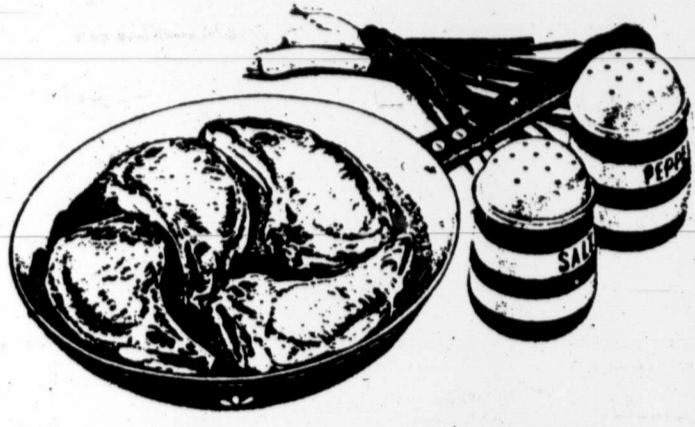
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# Author asks: Who's that guy in the cowboy hat? Why, it's Elvis

By LARRY McSHANE  
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — He's 55, with a slight paunch, salt-and-pepper hair and a penchant for bologna sandwiches and cowboy hats. He's in the federal witness protection program ... or maybe producing movies ... or driving an 18-wheeler.

He's Elvis in the '90s.  
Or so says Gail Brewer-Giorgio, author of the best-selling *Is Elvis Alive?* She's back with *The Elvis Files*, her latest look at the phenomenon she's helped create about Elvis Presley and his (alleged) death 13 years ago.

The folks at Graceland say Elvis remains buried at his Memphis tourist attraction. Biographer Albert Goldman maintains Presley committed suicide. Elvis' hairstylist, best man, personal cook and Memphis Mafia

sidekicks — all in books of their own — confirm the King is gone.

Gail is not convinced.  
"The possibility of Elvis Presley's being alive is greater now than it was a year ago, two years ago. And I am not alone in that belief," Brewer-Giorgio writes in the new book.

**'For a person to be on a postage stamp, he has to be dead. The government is not sure Elvis is dead.'**

She goes so far as to guess (via a letter from one true believer) when Elvis will make his comeback: Aug. 16, 1993, the 16th anniversary of his excursion to that Graceland in the sky.

Brewer-Giorgio is right about one thing: she's not alone. Seven percent of Americans in a 1989 CBS News

poll said they believed Elvis was alive; most of them, apparently, sent the author unsolicited accounts of their first-person encounters with the King of rock 'n' roll.

There's gas-station attendant Alton R., who lives outside Nashville.

"I was talking on the telephone to my mother when a man stopped in for gas. As he approached the store to pay for his purchase, I told my mother, 'I think this man is Elvis Presley.' ... He turned to me, smiled with that same crooked smile, and winked and left without a word. I am convinced that Elvis was in my presence that night," says Alton.

A woman named Sunny of Jonesboro, Ga., says she received a bologna sandwich and a bag of Chee-Tos from "E" during an October 1987 visit to the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio. A Missouri man spotted Elvis on the second floor at Graceland earlier that year.

Brewer-Giorgio says Elvis told her in a telephone

conversation that he hangs out in Washington, D.C.

That ties in with one of Brewer-Giorgio's pet theories: Elvis, like "Wise-guy" Henry Hill, was forced into the federal witness protection program for his own safety. Presley, who had 14 prescription drugs in his system at death, could have been targeted for his work as a federal drug agent, she suggests.

The possibility of Elvis working at Orion Pictures (they did the film *Great Balls of Fire* about buddy Jerry Lee Lewis) is also raised, as is the possibility that he could be back driving trucks (he is often reported talking to folks via CB).

But the last word comes from an Oglivie, Minn., woman who asked her local postmaster to explain why there was no Elvis Presley stamp. The anonymous federal employee provided this ominous response:

"For a person to be on a postage stamp, he has to be dead. The government is not sure Elvis is dead."

## Auto emissions controls sparking counterfeiting

DALLAS (AP) — Some Texans would rather spend up to \$50 for a counterfeit vehicle inspection sticker, and risk arrest, than spend hundreds of dollars for repairs, officials say.

The Department of Public Safety has been catching counterfeiters in Dallas, Tarrant and El Paso Counties and citing their customers.

"Our troopers are arresting people on a daily basis for displaying counterfeit stickers," said Sgt. Jerry Vaden with the motor vehicle inspection service at regional DPS headquarters in Garland.

Vaden said that motorists have been trying to evade idle emission checks that went into effect in April in Dallas and Tarrant Counties and 1987 in El Paso County.

The bogus stickers are being bought by people whose cars cannot pass the test for one reason or another, Vaden said.

"Either the safety equipment is bad or they have removed a lot of the emission equipment," he said.

Displaying a counterfeit sticker is a misdemeanor that could result in a maximum fine of \$200. The fake sticker is scraped from the windshield and the motorist is warned to get the car inspected. But Vaden doubts that happens.

"Probably as soon as we let them go they go buy another counterfeit because most of the cars can-

not pass inspection," he said.

A recent raid in Fort Worth resulted in two arrests and the seizure of 3,500 counterfeit stickers and \$17,000 in cash, Vaden said.

But that wasn't the only source, he said.

"I'm guessing we've got at least seven different types of counterfeit stickers floating around," he said.

Vaden said most of the operations are small-time with poor quality work and the same number on all stickers. However, he said the larger operators change the numbers and do a pretty good job of copying the official stickers.

The counterfeits sell for \$30-\$50, he said.

An El Paso man was arrested twice for making fake stickers, said DPS Sgt. Glenn Wood.

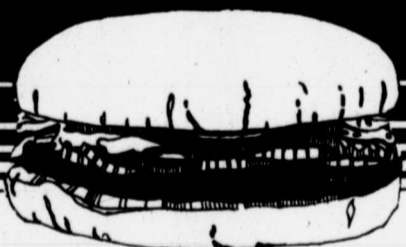
"We've probably seized about 500 in El Paso," Wood said. "They're selling them in flea markets, bars and garages that aren't inspection stations."

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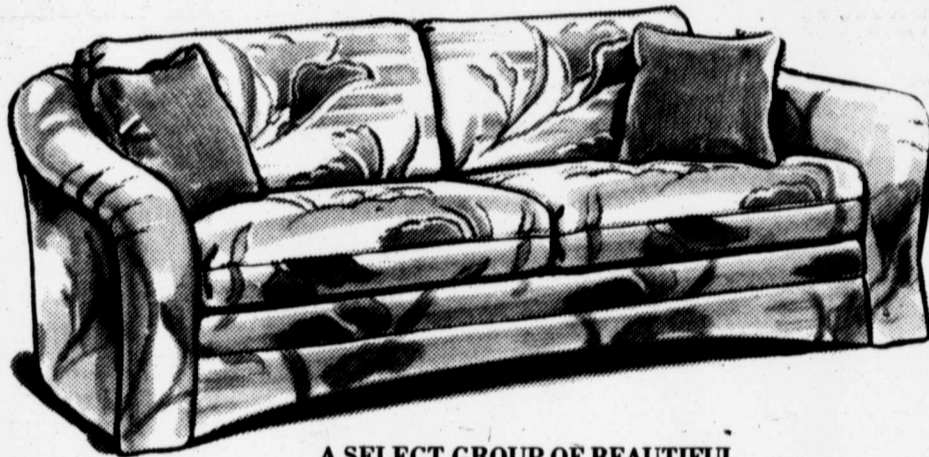
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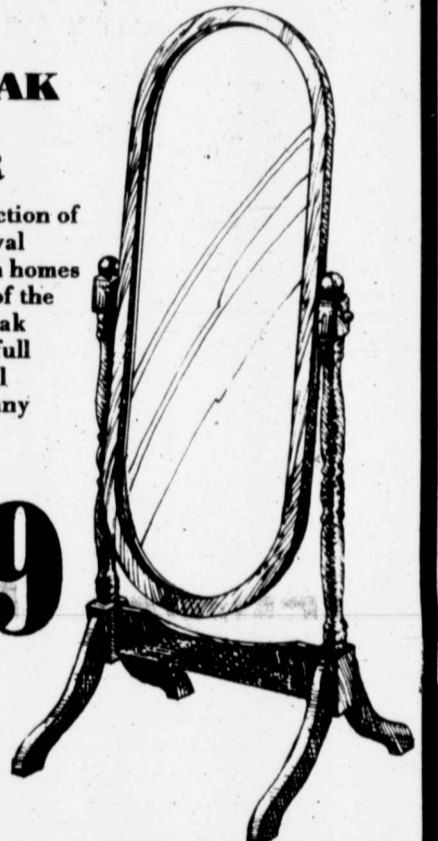
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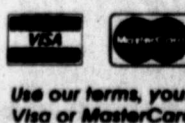
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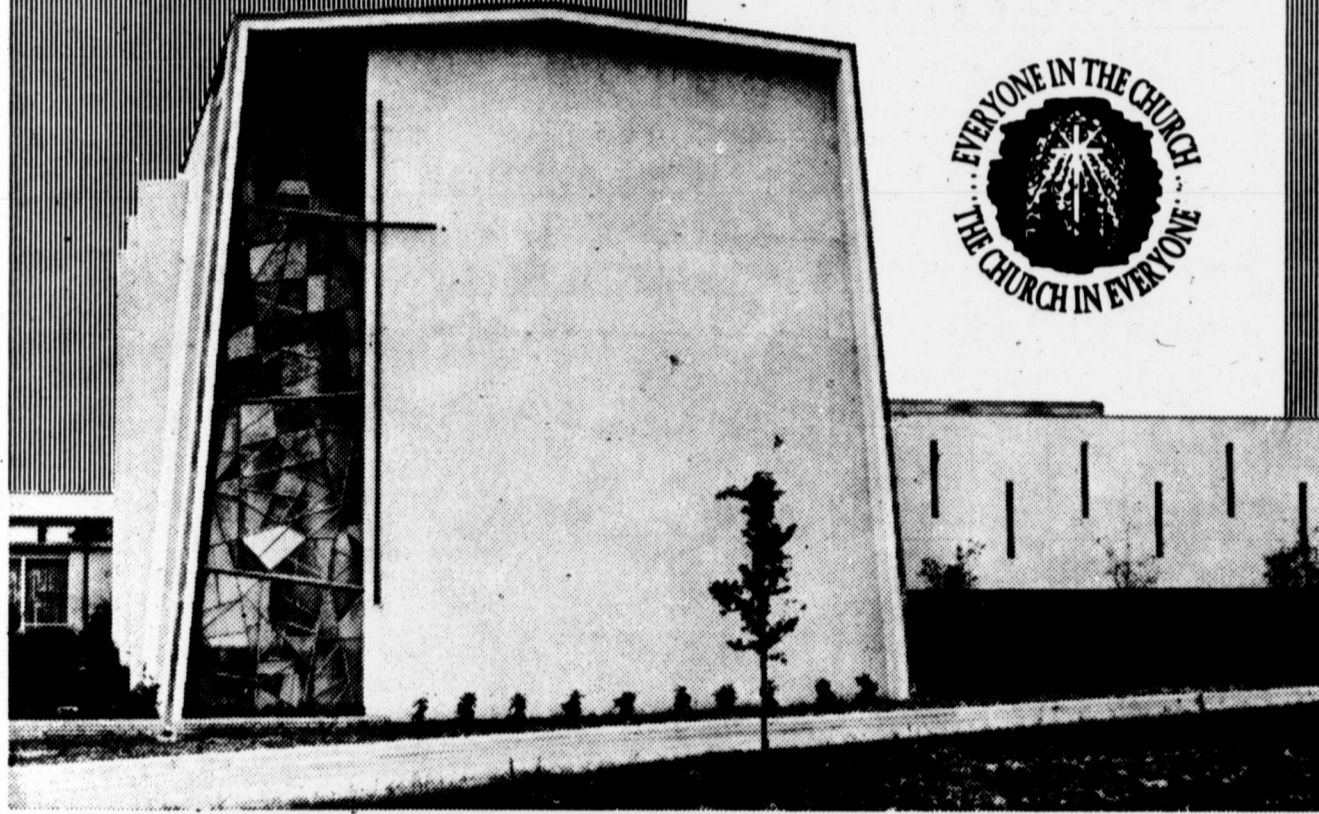
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## Pampa Chapel to host Martin

The Rev. Ronnie Martin of Canyon will conduct special services at the Pampa Chapel, 711 E. Harvester, beginning Sunday at 11 a.m.

The Rev. Martin has pastored the Faith Student Center Chapel for the past eight years working with the college youth of West Texas State University.

Previously, he taught in the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, Kan., for four years and pastored the church at Granby, Mo.

Pastor Howard Whiteley invites the public to attend the services nightly at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday evening service to begin at 7 p.m.

## His Touch

By Charlotte Barbaree

Scripture: *And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.* (2 Corinthians 5:15 NIV)

For the most part, I enjoyed raising my daughters. However, I seriously considered turning in my mother button when the time came to teach each of them to drive. We had numerous hair-raising experiences with each of them, but I remember one in particular.

I took one of the girls south of town for a lesson. She had a brand new learner's permit and a powerful thirst for horsepower. I stopped on a dirt road and let her get behind the wheel. At first she was super cautious, but as she got the feel of the car, she threw caution to the wind.

She became so caught up in the wonderfulness of herself behind the wheel that she didn't let little things bother her — little things like stop signs and approaching traffic.

I don't know by how much the other car missed us; I couldn't watch! My daughter, oblivious to the dangers inherent in the horsepower, giggled at my assumption of the crash position.

With Christian conversion, Jesus provides us a new spiritual vehicle to transport us into uncharted areas of our souls. He allows us to take the wheel and gives us *carte blanche* to learn the procedures and drive at will.

As new Christians we start out cautiously, anxious to hear and follow Christ's instructions. However, we soon get the feel of this new power factor to which we have hold. We get so caught up in the wonderfulness of ourselves behind the wheel, we become distracted from the Power Source and forget the rules of the Christian road. We drive recklessly, oblivious to the dangers inherent in spiritual egomania.

Jesus rides the vehicle with us, teaching, nudging, protecting, and no doubt, cringing in the right places. Patiently he waits for us to awake from our egotistic day-dreaming, recognize his sovereignty, and go where he leads. Christian life is so simple once we get the hang of it — just go where Christ leads.

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## Video to be broadcast at local church

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will broadcast a special 33-minute program as part of an open house to be held Oct. 28.

The video, titled *Prodigal Son*, will be transmitted from Salt Lake City over the church satellite network and will be received via satellite at the Pampa Ward, 29th and Aspen. The video will be transmitted twice beginning at 7 p.m. and again at 9 p.m.

James Waldrop, public communication director for the Pampa Ward, said non-members are cordially invited to share the telecast with church members and more information about the program would be forthcoming.

## Breakfast set at Macedonia

Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, has scheduled a brotherhood breakfast for Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at the church. Donations will be accepted and the public is invited.

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# Religion

## Mormons now edging into interfaith cooperation

By GEORGE W. CORNELL  
AP Religion Writer

Mormons, who generally have kept aloof from other Christian communities, are gradually moving into working association with them.

To some extent, the past shunning has been mutual. Steps toward alleviating it represent a quiet mending of a rupture in America's social-religious fabric.

For most of its 160 years, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon) has avoided links with the other religious groups, which, in turn, have kept a cold shoulder toward Mormons.

But on both sides, leaders are showing a growing impulse for contacts and efforts toward better understanding and are increasing moves for cooperation, although some distrust lingers and some people oppose the trend altogether.

"Some Mormons don't want it," said Mormon theologian Roger R. Keller of Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. "Some of the others are suspicious of Mormons. But we've begun to break through the shell

of isolation."

As misconceptions and scurrilous notions about each other are diminished, "more interchange becomes possible," he said. "I hope we are standing at the crossroads of genuine dialogue."

Such dialogue has flourished for years among Protestant, Roman Catholic, Anglican, Eastern Orthodox and Jewish groups, reducing old prejudices and distortions about one another.

But Mormons, who were denounced, persecuted and driven westward in their early years, generally had stayed apart from that inter-religious companionship and teamwork until recently.

Dallin H. Oaks, a member of the church's ruling Council of 12, said the change is toward working together "on matters of common interest" and the church now is involved in several such projects.

"I think the outlook for our being involved with others is good," he said. "And I think other groups need us, and we need other groups."

Oaks, a former law professor, president of Brigham Young University and Utah Supreme Court justice, said

that "traditionally our church has been very distant from other churches."

Considering the past persecutions of Mormons, he added, "It is easy to understand why the Latter-day Saints' relationship with other faiths has been a strained and suspicious one."

But as the American-born denomination has grown — now totaling 4 million U.S. members and 7 million worldwide — it has entered into several interfaith ventures in the last decade.

Among such recent moves by Mormons was their joining in 1988 with 22 faith groups — Protestant, Catholic and Jewish — in the National Interfaith Cable Coalition, producing religious and values-oriented programs on the VSN television network.

In 1986, Mormons became part of the Religious Alliance Against Pornography, a wide ecumenical cross-section. In 1984, they affiliated with Religion in American Life, involving most major U.S. denominations in seeking to stimulate weekly worship.

Also in the mid-'80s, Mormons entered into inter-

religious relief work, including aid to the homeless. They contributed about \$5 million to relief efforts in famine-ravaged central Africa, much of it through Catholic Relief Services and the American Red Cross.

Oaks, as a former educator, had experienced ecumenical cooperation in the Association of Presidents of Independent Colleges and Universities in the 1970s, and has since encouraged that trend in the church.

So far, such connections have been on non-doctrinal matters, and Oaks emphasized that the church disapproves any discussions aimed at changing doctrines.

That, however, isn't the aim of inter-church doctrinal talks. It is, rather, to explain their concepts to each other, to overcome misperceptions of one another and to achieve fuller mutual understanding.

Mormons hold some distinctive beliefs, but like other Christians, they regard the Bible as holy scripture, honor Christ as God's divine son, uphold his teachings and believe in salvation through his atoning death and resurrection.

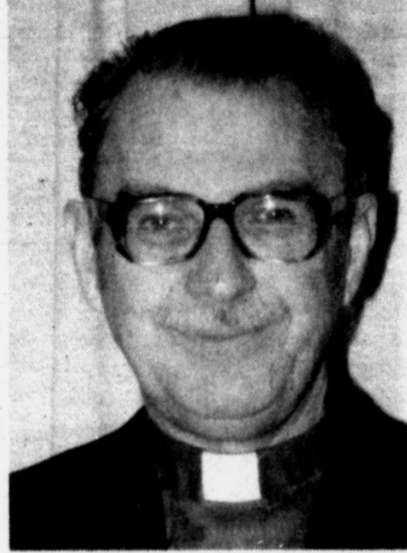
## Zion Lutheran to focus on mission festival

On Sunday, a mission festival will be the focus of the day for Zion Lutheran Church in Pampa.

According to Zion's pastor, the Rev. Art Hill, outreach is half of the Christian church's reason for existing.

"When our Lord gave the Great Commission, He made it clear that the church is responsible for 'going,'" Hill said. "We shouldn't expect the unbelieving world to come knocking on our doors. We've been entrusted with the good news of forgiveness and eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ. But it's been given to us to share."

Zion's mission festival speaker this year is the Rev. Andrew Simcak Jr. Simcak, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Shamrock and Childress, is a newcomer to the Panhandle, but has spent 29 of his 35 years of ministry in Texas. He has also served the church on various boards



Rev. Andrew Simcak Jr.

and committees, including five years on the national church body's Board of Stewardship and six years on the Board for Evangelism Ser-

vices. Simcak has authored a number of devotions for Portals of Prayer, My Devotions, sermons for the Concordia Pulpit and a number of tracts for the Concordia Tract Mission.

The timely topic for Sunday's adult Bible class will be "The Religion of Saddam Hussein." The morning's sermon is titled "God's People — People on a Mission."

In conjunction with the mission festival, Zion has designated Oct. 21 as "Every Member Present" Sunday. Hill said, "Our goal is to have 100 percent of our members in Bible class and worship."

Bible classes for all ages begin at 9:30 a.m., worship at 10:30 a.m., and a covered-dish dinner at noon. The church is located at 1200 Duncan St. The public is invited to attend.

## First Assembly participating in prayermeeting

The congregation of First Assembly of God Church will participate in the 35th annual Revivaltime World Prayermeeting at 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

World Prayermeeting is organized by Revivaltime Media Ministries, the international radio outreach of the Assemblies of God, and is an annual prayer event that began in 1955.

For several weeks prior to Thanksgiving Sunday, Revivaltime broadcast listeners are invited to



send their prayer requests to the Revivaltime office in Springfield, Mo. These requests — numbering tens of thousands — are compiled

and distributed to churches and prayer groups around the world.

Tying the prayer groups together will be the World Prayermeeting anchor service at First Assembly of God in Winston-Salem, N.C. This service will feature a live origination of the Revivaltime broadcast with speaker Dan Betzer and will be aired over some 600 releases in the United States and overseas.

The public is invited to the gathering at First Assembly in Pampa, 500 S. Cuyler.

## Appeal of 'Amazing Grace' stands test of time

By HELEN PARMLEY  
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS (AP) — A hush fell over the crowd attending the funeral of guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan in Dallas in August as the trio of Jackson Browne, Bonnie Raitt and Stevie Wonder began singing the hymn "Amazing Grace."

There were no hymn books or song sheets, but by the second verse many were quietly singing along with tears in their eyes.

The universality of that simple yet penetrating hymn has astounded even ministers, song leaders and ministers of music. It is requested for funerals and sung at Communion services, retreats, worship services and at religious campgrounds.

Ingrained in the old, rural South, "Amazing Grace" emerged as a symbolic song in the civil rights movement. It later hit the top of the pop charts and now has gained a page in the hymnals of American religion.

"The most requested revision in our new hymnal was to add the final verse of 'Amazing Grace,' which had been omitted in earlier versions," said the Rev. Carlton Young of Nashville, editor of the United Methodist Church hymnal.

Journalist Bill Moyers said the haunting words and melody of the hymn echoed through his mind as he flew over London "tired and mindless" after covering the 1986 Reagan-Gorbachev summit in Iceland.

It stirred memories, he said, of his Baptist beginnings in Marshall, Texas. He remembered standing on South Garrett Street in front of the First Church of Christ in God in Marshall and listening to the members of that predominantly African-American church sing "Amazing Grace" "with a different kind of passion."

It struck him that the hymn seems to cross all racial, religious and cultural barriers, and he scribbled a message in his note pad: "Amazing Grace. Who wrote it and why?"

What Moyers learned about the hymn is chronicled in a new 80-minute PBS television special.

"While working on the film, I

were struck over and over again by how different people of different backgrounds are touched by this hymn for different reasons," Moyers said.

At the Library of Congress, he learned that there are more versions of "Amazing Grace" performed and recorded by more artists than any other song.

The hymn was written in 1779 by John Newton, skipper of a British slave ship who traded for human cargo in West Africa. But the words of the first verse clearly depict Newton's religious pilgrimage that led him away from that business and eventually into the ministry of the Anglican church:

"Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see."

In his journal, Newton wrote: "I was once an active instrument in a business at which my heart now shudders. A common drunkard or profligate is a petty sinner to what I was ... Oh, to grace how great a debtor."

Newton's diary became a prime source of information about the slave trade and was used in the abolition movement. He became an ally of William Wilberforce in the movement. Slavery was officially abolished in England in 1807 on the day Newton died, Moyers said.

In his special, Moyers shows how the hymn is woven into the lives of diverse people, from evangelicals and liberals to secularists, showing how the words have had a deep personal meaning in their lives.

Many Americans associate "Amazing Grace" with folk singer Joan Baez, who continues to sing it at rallies. For others, the association is with singer Judy Collins, who popularized the song in the 1960s.

Ms. Collins told Moyers that the song was more than a popular part of her routine. She said it got her through some "troubled times" in her life.

"It was always the song that gave me an inner experience of another dimension," Ms. Collins says in the television program. "I always feel that there's a mystical territory between me and the audi-

ence ... Somewhere or other, there is some experience going on which gives something to them and gives something to me that's more than the sum of any of us."

Moyers walks his viewers through a prison in Huntsville, Texas, and then to Harlem to see and hear a Boys Choir sing the hymn. He also visits the Caribbean, Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia and other places where "Amazing Grace" has become a part of life.

In the new Methodist hymnal, the hymn is written in English and five Native American languages: Choctaw, Kiowa, Cherokee, Creek and Navaho.

"'Amazing Grace' is a phenomenon in America," said Dr. Young, the Methodist editor. "It always surprises me how often it is also sung in non-Christian settings."

The hymn has moved past the traditional church "into a kind of folk-gospel tradition," said the Rev. Dick Baker, minister of music at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas.

"It has crossed denominational and cultural lines much like 'He's Got the Whole World in His Hands,'" said Baker, who probably has led the singing for more revivals, crusades and conferences than any other Baptist song leader.

Bonnie Castellaw of Dallas, director of The Pines, a Roman Catholic camp and conference center in East Texas, said the camp and retreat site serves young people and adults in 15 dioceses.

"'Amazing Grace' is the one song you can always count on everyone knowing," she said.

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## Former S&L chief Keating released from jail on bond

By E. SCOTT RECKARD  
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After more than a month in jail, Charles H. Keating Jr. won a bail reduction and headed home to prepare his defense against the first criminal charges in one of the nation's biggest savings and loan failures.

U.S. District Judge John G. Davies ruled Thursday that the \$5 million bail set by a state judge for the 66-year-old former thrift operator was excessively high in the investment fraud case.

Davies lowered bail to \$300,000, and Keating's family posted it by pledging their houses as security. Keating was released Thursday night, smiling as he walked out of jail.

Davies had heard an impassioned plea by Los Angeles lawyer John "Jack" Quinn, who has defended Keating against a slew of civil charges stemming from the collapse of Lincoln Savings and Loan Association.

Reimbursing the thrift's federally insured deposits could cost taxpayers as much as \$2 billion. It would be the nation's costliest thrift bailout.

Quinn said Keating had wrongly become "the most vilified man since Richard Nixon," but would never skip bail after his family put up their homes as security.

The savings and loan chief with powerful political connections came to symbolize the excesses of the thrift industry with his investments in risky real estate ventures and junk bonds.

He controlled the Irvine-based Lincoln Savings through his American Continental Corp. in Phoenix, drawing huge salaries and main-

taining a lavish personal lifestyle. He contends he is being victimized by authorities who failed to prevent the nation's S&L debacle and now seek to make him a scapegoat.

Shirley Lampel, a bondholder who claims she was cheated by Keating, said, "He belongs in prison. I hope he'll be back there soon.... He's a con man."

His lawyers say he is broke and while jailed could never defend himself adequately against the many cases stemming from Lincoln's collapse and American Continental's filing for bankruptcy protection.

Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner refused to lower Keating's bail last month. He noted that the 42-count indictment against Keating carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison, giving Keating ample reason to flee prosecution.

Davies disagreed, ruling Klausner arbitrarily set Keating's bail as much as 50 times higher than that of his three co-defendants.

Those three, former top officials of Keating's companies, face identical charges and already have posted bail.

The judge ordered Keating to surrender his passport, restrict travel to the Lower 48 states and report to Los Angeles County authorities every week.

The criminal case is separate from charges in civil suits that contend Keating looted Lincoln.

The bail decision came as the Senate Ethics Committee investigated whether five senators who received campaign contributions from Keating improperly intervened with banking regulators on his behalf.

The committee adjourned Thursday without announcing a decision on whether to intensify its investigation of three senators: Alan Cranston, D-Calif.; Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz.; and Donald W. Riegle Jr., D-Mich.



Keating

## Fiscal fallout: Budgets go bust in big cities

By MITCHELL LANDSBERG  
Associated Press Writer

While Congress stays pinned to the floor in its wrestling match with the federal budget, some of the nation's largest cities are grappling with their own fiscal crises.

In New York, Philadelphia, Washington and elsewhere, costly social problems and a slumping national economy have conspired to plunder municipal budgets. Cities are slashing services, raising taxes and laying off workers to do what the federal government can't seem to accomplish — balance their budgets.

Not all cities are hurting. Seattle and Denver are thriving, Houston is rising from an economic abyss and Dallas gets high marks for steering its budget along the black line of solvency.

But some strains are universal. Drugs, homelessness and AIDS are costly burdens for nearly every city. Insurance is ever more expensive. And while some urban economies are still booming, most are beginning to feel the effects of a national economic slowdown.

"I think all cities are experiencing financial crunches to different degrees," said Lance Simmens, assistant executive director of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, which represents cities with populations of more than 30,000.

"Most cities are facing problems that didn't exist in 1980. AIDS. Crack cocaine. The infrastructure has endured years of neglect, and that's starting to take its toll," he said.

Simmens added there are "strains being experienced from the federal disinvestment, from the social problems, from the restrictions on the ability to issue tax-exempt debt (and) the beginnings of an economic downturn in many areas of the country."

The National League of Cities surveyed 576 communities about their budgets earlier this year. Two-thirds reported they were less able to meet their financial needs than the year before.

"There's quite a lot of stress to cities of all sizes," league spokesman Randy Arndt said.

Philadelphia is the nation's leading economic basket case. The nation's fifth largest city expects to go broke sometime early in December unless it can plug a \$206 million hole in its budget.

"If Philadelphia has even a temporary period without sufficient cash, the result will be a legal, political and public safety nightmare," the city's finance director, Betsy C. Reveal, told Mayor W. Wilson Goode in a recent memo.

Standard & Poors Corp. recently downgraded Philadelphia's general obligation bond rating to junk bond status — CCC.

No other major city has such a poor bond rating; Detroit comes closest with a BBB.

New York could become the next big city to see its bond rating fall. Standard & Poors recently announced the nation's largest city was under a "credit watch," a warning to shape up or slip down in the credit rankings. Its current ranking was A minus.

Lower credit ratings make it more costly for financially strapped cities to borrow.

New York Mayor David Dinkins announced plans Tuesday for \$1.3 billion in budget cuts that will dig deeply into nearly every type of city service except police and jails. Dinkins wants to raise taxes to pay for them.

Public concern about crime is at a peak, and cities are loathe to cut money for police. "That's why you have to find cuts elsewhere," said Hyman C. Grossman, Standard & Poors' managing director of municipal finance.

So residents of fiscally troubled big cities can expect shorter library hours, less frequent garbage pickup, shabbier streets and parks and less reliable transit.

Miami recently eliminated grants to cultural groups, street festivals, exile groups and charities. The Miami Film Festival lost \$100,000, or 25 percent of its cash budget.

Officials of Toledo, Ohio, announced plans to limit garbage pickups to once every two weeks, and to slash most recreation programs. San Francisco cut public health funds and AIDS programs, and doubled some city fees.

Budget troubles cut across regional lines, but most analysts agree the problems are most acute in the Northeast.

"The Midwest... seems to be perhaps not quite as stricken by some of these events... as some other regions, particularly the Northeast," said Arndt of the League of Cities. "The contortions and strains that the Midwest went through earlier in the 1980s have made them perhaps more resilient."

No city knows more about fiscal failure than Cleveland, which defaulted in 1978. Cleveland has since regained relative financial health, but the budget Mayor Michael White submitted to the City Council last month showed a potential \$25 million deficit.

"People get angry when we say this is happening, but I feel we are in the beginning phase of a recession," said James Rokakis, chairman of Cleveland's City Council Finance Committee.

Still, Rokakis said, Cleveland has learned its lesson. "Our fiscal house is at least in order. We're not mixing bond funds and such as we did in the 1970s. We may be broke, but at least we know why we're broke."

## Yugoslavia moving to calm ethnic and political tensions

By SLOBODAN LEKIC  
Associated Press Writer

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Yugoslavia's Parliament today moved to defuse mounting ethnic and political tension and warnings of impending civil war by naming a Croatian reformer to the country's collective presidency.

A crucial parliamentary debate on whether Yugoslavia remains a federation or becomes a looser alliance was then postponed until at least November.

The two moves indicated that the country's quarrelling political leaders had decided to put off at least for

now a showdown in their power struggle over Yugoslavia's future.

Deputies loudly applauded a conciliatory speech by outgoing President Borisav Jovic, a Serb who holds the annually rotating chairmanship of the collective ruling body.

"All bridges have not been burned. There are still possibilities for the crisis to be overcome," Jovic said after the Croatian Stjepan Mesic was named to the presidency.

Communist-ruled Serbia staunchly opposes the confederacy plan pushed by Slovenia and Croatia.

Under it, Yugoslavia would become a loose alliance of sovereign

states. There would be no central rule or national capital, and each state would decide how it would deal with the others.

Serbia wants a "modern federation" that would keep central rule in Belgrade, the capital of the country and Serbia.

Deputies from Serbia — the largest republic and Croatia's traditional rival — had earlier blocked the election of Mesic, charging he was a Croatian nationalist who seeks independence for his republic.

But those objections apparently were dropped following moves within the eight-member presidency to ease tension.

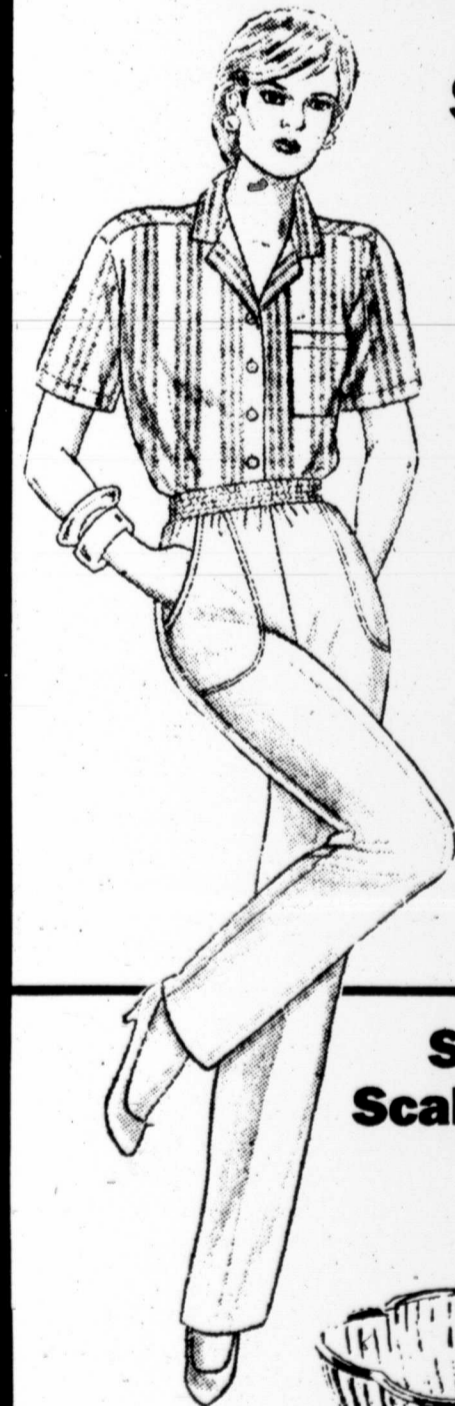
The presidency contains repre-

sentatives from each of Yugoslavia's six republics and two provinces. Croatia had officially been without a representative in a dispute over Mesic's nomination. He was proclaimed a member to the applause of hundreds of deputies.

In the growing split between the country's Communist and non-Communist republics, Croatia on Thursday ordered its militia reserves to mobilize.

The order was reported by the republic's television on Thursday and rebroadcast by Serbian television in Belgrade. It said only that Croatia was conducting a "routine check" of reserve units.

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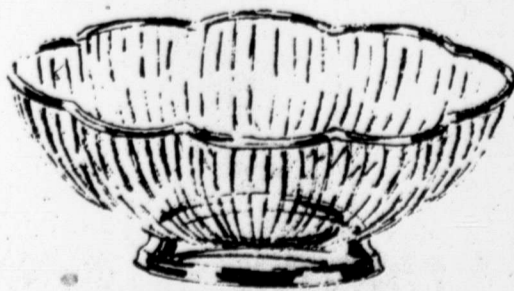


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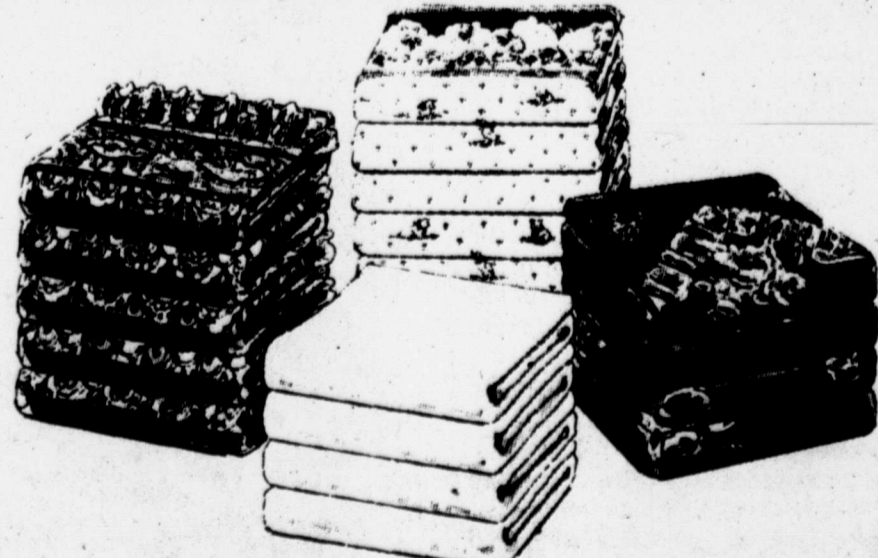
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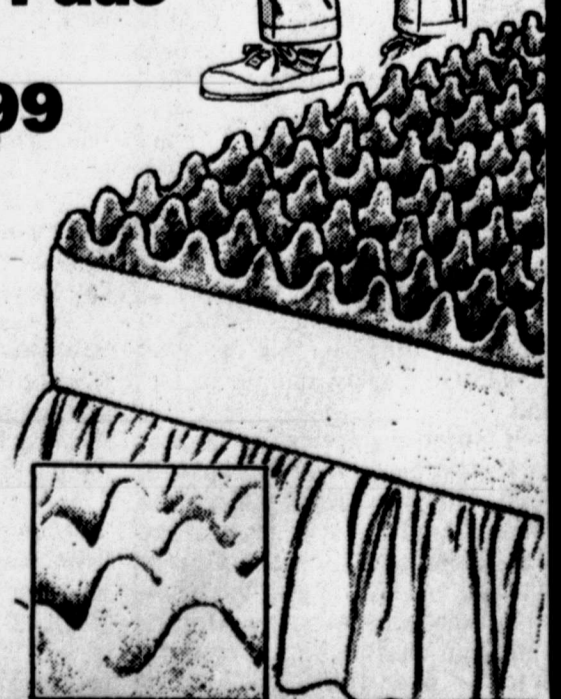
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## The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

### ACROSS

- 1 Although
- 7 Contemporary painter
- 13 Expose to air
- 14 Thoroughfare
- 15 Bred
- 16 Puzzle
- 17 Meal
- 18 Defense dept.
- 20 Poetic contraction
- 21 Fishing aids
- 23 Cone-bearing shrub
- 24 Fights
- 25 Clothes tinter
- 27 Wanderers
- 29 Line
- 31 Illuminated
- 32 1051, Roman
- 33 Presidential initials
- 34 Cape Kennedy rocket

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

PLUG	PLUS	SIP
SURE	IONS	TRI
SAGE	ANATHEMA	
TUE	INE	ETAL
NONO	SIM	
ALCAN	UNDERDO	
PAIR	PRES	ION
SOE	SANE	IDEE
OSSEOUS	HEIRS	
SOL	NARC	
PLEA	FOP	UMP
AUTUMNAL	PLIE	
SIT	PENT	TELE
OSE	HOSE	ADEN

- 2 Looked sideways
- 3 Impudent
- 4 Play by —
- 5 Chemical suffix
- 6 — Roosevelt
- 7 Hyena's kin
- 8 56, Roman
- 9 Sleeping place
- 10 Make precious
- 11 Measuring sticks
- 12 Fortune-tellers
- 19 Over (poet.)
- 22 Homily
- 24 Decay of timber (2 wds.)
- 26 — call
- 28 Refer to
- 30 Having a crazy stare
- 34 Actress Dahl
- 35 Persons
- 36 Alley —
- 38 City in Italy
- 39 Not noisy
- 40 Bereaved one
- 42 Silent
- 44 Rulers
- 49 Bottle cap
- 50 Person
- 52 Yoko —
- 53 — — loss

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**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Circumstances could unfold in a manner today that will enable you to take care of a long overdue obligation. It will make you feel as if a weight has been lifted off your back. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) This is a good day to rethink a matter that has been causing complications and appears to be unresolvable. The answers for which you've been searching are closer than you realize.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You could be extremely lucky in material ways at this time from your dealings with an associate older than yourself. This is a person who takes commitments seriously.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) This could be an extremely pleasant day for you if you get together with several old friends you haven't seen for quite a while. They're as eager to see you as you are to see them.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Objectives you establish for yourself today might not be so easy to reach, yet they are achievable if you're persistent. Don't give up if you fail on your first try.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) If you have been looking for a second source of income, your chart indicates you could be fortunate in an arrangement with a friend who presently resides at a distant location.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) You will be very effective today in taking charge of situations that undergo changes, because in an unassuming, yet forceful manner, you'll direct what needs doing without ruffling egos.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) Let your similar past experiences serve as a guide today if you have to deal with an issue that impels you to make a decision. What worked previously is also applicable now.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) You'll be willing to work hard today, not only for yourself, but also for people for whom you feel responsible. Your efforts will be fruitful.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) You have a remarkable faculty today, if you choose to use it, and that is your ability to make everyone you deal with on a one-to-one basis feel like the most important person in the world.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) Although you thoroughly enjoy a variety of pleasurable pursuits, you will feel more gratified today if you devote your time to doing things you deem to be constructive.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your demeanor will win you the respect and appreciation of your peers today. Everyone admires a person who has the courage and intelligence to say what needs to be said without blaming anyone.







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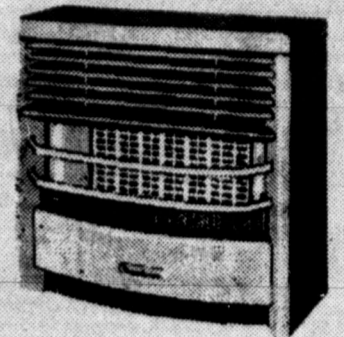
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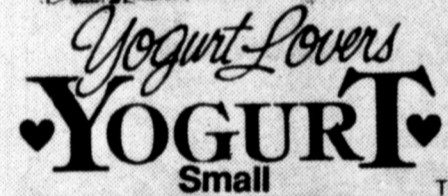
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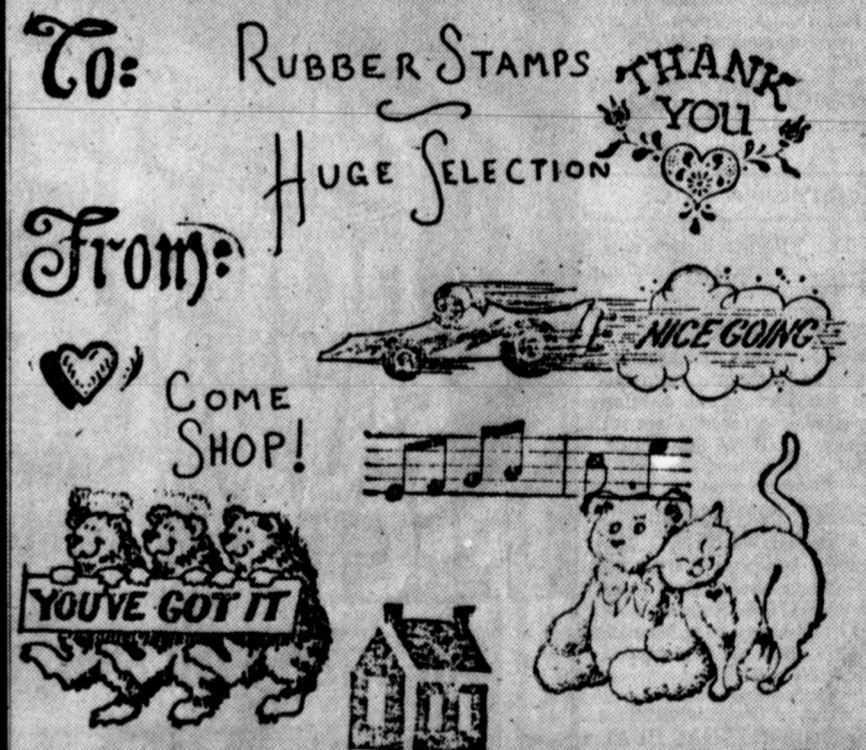
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