

Diplomacy has no place in Persian Gulf — not now

By BARRY SCHWEID
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Diplomats have been known to greet each other politely, sip a glass of sherry and do away with entire nations. Other times, they end wars.

More often than not, diplomacy is a way to avert bloodshed. It's a civilized occupation, best performed by representatives of civilized nations.

Evidently, it has no place in the Persian Gulf. At least not now.

President Bush is relying on an economic blockade backed by a nuclear-armed American naval armada — not gentle conversation — to try to persuade Iraq's Saddam Hussein to reverse his takeover of Kuwait.

"What we need to do at this point is to enforce the international law," Bush said Thursday in dismissing any notion of using Jordan's King Hussein as a diplomatic intermediary to Baghdad.

In fact, it turned out the king did not bring Bush any message from Iraq, where he stopped before flying to Washington and then to Maine to see the president.

History provides little evidence that diplomacy works with dictators or terrorists.

In confronting Saddam, Bush is using U.S. diplomats in Iraq and Kuwait solely to convey messages of protest and to insist that the more than 3,000 Americans trapped in the two countries be permitted to depart.

He isn't calling the Americans hostages yet. But neither are Bush, Secretary of State James A. Baker III and other senior U.S. officials attempting to cultivate the Iraqi leader with sweet talk or to negotiate a settlement in the gulf.

AP analysis

They are demanding a full Iraqi withdrawal — and not very diplomatically.

Baker branded Saddam a dictator in a report last week to NATO foreign ministers in Brussels. Bush has said several times that Saddam is not a man of his word. Both Bush and Baker have made very thinly veiled appeals to the Iraqi people to get rid of him.

The rhetoric is even sharper at the other end. On Thursday, in a rambling attack carried on Iraqi television, Saddam called the American president a liar and said the outbreak of holy war — which Saddam has called for — could bring "thousands of Americans wrapped in sad

coffins." That's the sort of undiplomatic language Saddam used to hurl against Tehran when he was locked in an eight-year war with Iran.

But as he tries to wriggle out of Bush's economic noose, Saddam is not above engaging in diplomacy with the very people in Tehran who only a few years ago sought to overthrow him.

On Wednesday, Saddam offered to return seized Iranian territory and Iranian prisoners, thereby meeting two key Iranian demands.

An accord with Iran would free most of the Iraqi military units deployed along the border. Saddam also hopes Iran would be so gratified it would defy the international blockade arranged by Bush and approved by the U.N. Security Council.

And who asked Iran to bring whatever pressure it could on Iraq? Well, in this upside down world, the United States did — through third-party intermediaries.

That's the same Iran that denounced the United States as "the great Satan" and held 52 Americans in captivity.

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Alleged victim with 21 personalities complicates prosecution of rape case

By ROBERT IMRIE
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OSHKOSH, Wis. (AP) — A woman who says she has 21 personalities displayed three of them — herself and characters named Franny and Jennifer — in testifying she was raped by a man who took her out for coffee.

The judge required her to take an oath each time she changed identities during the hearing Thursday. Lawyers introduced themselves to the different personalities. Each time, she behaved as if the testimony was just beginning.

After hearing the testimony, Judge Robert Hawley ordered Mark A. Peterson, 29, to stand trial for sexual assault. No trial date was set.

To convict Peterson, District Attorney Joseph Paulus said he must prove three things — that the victim had a mental illness, that she was incapable of appraising her own conduct and that Peterson knew about the illness.

Peterson claims the woman consented to sex and that he did not know she had multiple personalities.

But the woman said she told Peterson she had multiple personalities and introduced him to some of them, and that he took advantage of one of them — Jennifer, a fun-loving 20-year-old.

That personality was dominant when Peterson forced her to have



Mark A. Peterson

sex in the front seat of a car after they went out for coffee, the woman said.

On Thursday, she also testified as herself, a 26-year-old single Oshkosh woman who is in therapy for multiple personality disorder and cannot remember the incident, and as Franny, a 32-year-old motherly type who reported the alleged attack to friends.

According to Leonard Kaplan, a University of Wisconsin Law School professor, state law clearly says that someone deemed mentally ill cannot consent to sex.

Defense lawyer Edward Salzsieder said the key issue is whether the woman is mentally ill or

just a "big show." During about 90 minutes of testimony, the woman paused only briefly during personality switches requested by Paulus.

"Can I have Jennifer, the one who likes to have fun?" Paulus asked after talking with Franny.

"Of course," the woman replied, smiling and closing her eyes. Seconds later, she opened her eyes and blurted, "Hi, Mr. Paulus" in a slightly higher voice.

The woman, her therapist seated nearby, testified that Peterson, a man she met two days earlier while fishing, raped her June 11. She testified Peterson wanted Jennifer to appear. She said he asked: "Can I love you?" I said, "OK."

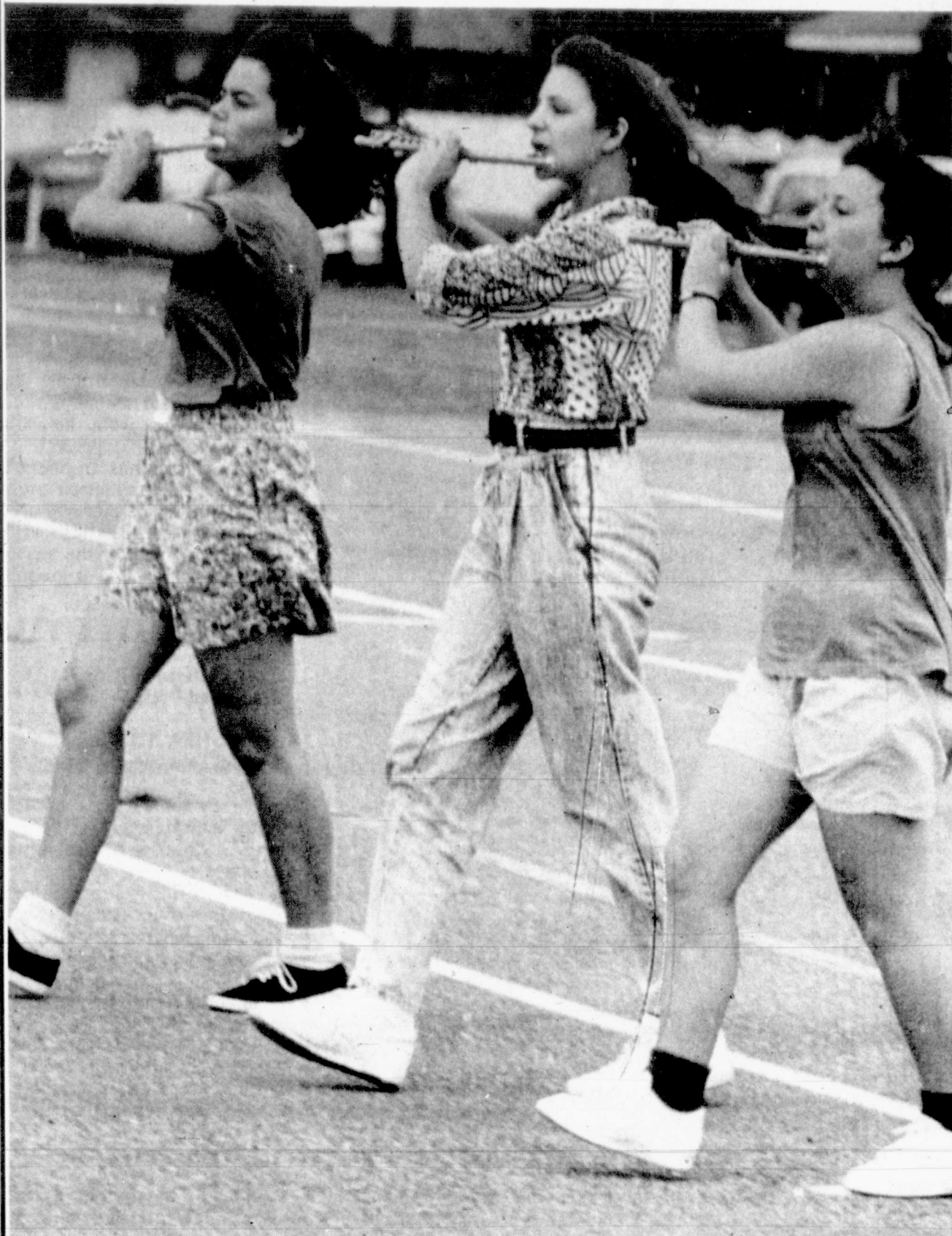
Jennifer did not know what sex was but agreed because "he just told me to," the woman said.

Police said Peterson noted that during sex, the woman's 6-year-old personality, Emily, appeared before she eventually became Franny again.

Inam Haque, a psychiatrist at Winnebago Mental Health Institute in Oshkosh, testified he treated the woman for four years and diagnosed her in February as suffering from multiple personality disorder.

The disorder is triggered by emotional or physical abuse during childhood. Victims create separate personalities to avoid confronting reality. It affects about 7,000 Americans, he said.

Strike up the band



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

These three flutists with the Pampa High School band step out in time as they prepare for the band's upcoming marching season. Pictured are, from left, Angela Moyer, Janeen Hollingsworth and Shonda Harper. Band students, directed by Charles Johnson assisted by Jeff Hogan, are practicing almost daily for the marching contests and football halftime programs ahead of them.

Governor candidates clash over ad

AUSTIN (AP) — Democratic gubernatorial nominee Ann Richards' campaign unveiled a television advertisement that depicts Republican opponent Clayton Williams as a businessman who misused his employees and is mired in debt and lawsuits.

Richards' campaign spokesman Bill Cryer on Thursday described the ad as a "30-second documentary" on Williams.

Williams' spokesman Gordon Hensley said the ads are "vintage Ann Richards' smear job."

The Williams campaign said Richards was ready to "push the

button" with negative television ads.

The ad starts airing statewide Friday.

"And that's just the public record. His court records are sealed in secrecy and he refuses to disclose his income taxes," says the ad's narrator who urges viewers to stay tuned for more revelations.

The ad was unveiled at the same time Richards wrote Williams a letter criticizing him and the Republican Party for waging a negative campaign.

"You and your campaign bear the responsibility for initiating

such vicious personal attacks," Richards said referring to a Republican radio ad that linked her to death row inmates and Hollywood liberals.

Richards told Williams she would concentrate on issues affecting the state and added, "Your public record on pollution, employee relations, business practices, and your refusal to release your income taxes are relevant to the future governance of Texas and I will discuss them."

"She says she wants to run an issues-oriented campaign. She's lying," said Hensley. "Ann Richards gives Pinochio a bad name."

Cryer stood by the ad, saying, "They're a factual look at Williams' acumen and ethics as a businessman."

Brownwood roofer finds old newspaper after 45 years

BROWNWOOD (AP) — Marion Smith says he putting a new roof on Howard Payne University's Mims Auditorium in May 1945 when he was distracted by newsboys yelling, "Extra!" on the street below.

Smith, now 63, was 18 at the time and about to be drafted for service in World War II.

What he found when he climbed down changed his life and set into motion what became a reunion of sorts earlier this week.

"I didn't know what it was about, but climbed down from the

roof and bought a paper," Smith said of the shouts from boys selling the Brownwood Bulletin.

The bold headline screamed "Nazis Quit," and it was followed by a slightly smaller head: "Unconditional Surrender Ends War in Europe."

Smith recalls going back on the roof, laying the paper down and shingling over it.

"I remember thinking that if and when the roof was redone, someone would find the newspaper," he said.

Smith has continued in the roofing business and was recently given the job of reroofing the auditorium. He had been patching it for several years, always wondering about the paper he knew to be beneath the shingles.

Finally the time came for a complete job.

"As we removed the shingles, we looked carefully for the newspaper and found it. The funny thing is that it wasn't where I had remembered putting it," he said.

Still intact, the newspaper was crinkled, dry and brown with age.

Woman gets maximum sentence for drug sale

HENDERSON (AP) — A Rusk County jury has sentenced a 44-year-old woman to 99 years in prison, the longest sentence given any defendant in recent years, in prison for selling 0.2 gram of crack cocaine to an undercover police officer.

Alma Sherman of Fairview received the sentence Thursday from the same jury that had taken 30 minutes to find her guilty of the first degree felony. It took jurors an hour to decide her punishment.

The sentence was surprising because the woman had no prior criminal record, according to prosecutor Kyle Freeman.

"We expected some time, but we didn't expect the maximum," Freeman said. "This is the longest sentence handed down in recent memory."

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Matthew Ross Bradford, 2 1/2 months, sleeps peacefully while his mother transacts business at *The Pampa News* earlier this week. Matthew is the son of Michael and Sherry Bradford of Pampa.

NASA: Hubble problem can be corrected

By JANET L. CAPIELLO
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DANBURY, Conn. (AP)—A thin washer may have caused the focusing flaw in the \$1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope, and a space shuttle mission can easily fix much of the problem, NASA officials say.

"The Hubble could actually be better than it could be now," Charles Pellerin, NASA director of astrophysics, said Thursday.

Pellerin and members of a NASA investigative team held a news conference after two days of hearings at Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc., maker of the flawed primary mirror that is producing blurry pictures from the orbiting observatory.

The mirror has an aberration caused by a 1.3-millimeter error in a measuring device that was used to grind the telescope's mirrors, said Lew Allen, head of the team and director of NASA's Jet Propulsion

Laboratory.

"The error that we discovered is one that leads to an essentially pure spherical aberration, and that's relatively easy to correct," Allen said.

Pellerin said that all that needs to be done is remove the Hubble's wide-field planetary camera during a previously scheduled shuttle mission in 1993 and replace it with a camera designed to correct the error.

The camera was going to be replaced during the 1993 mission anyway because machinery undergoes extraordinary wear and tear in space, Pellerin said.

"The only thing that's different is we didn't anticipate doing this because of optical problems," he said.

The main camera is the Hubble's most powerful instrument, designed to peer almost to the edge of the universe and produce the telescope's most exciting discoveries.

NASA officials said earlier that replacing the camera won't solve the

problem for the Hubble's faint-object camera and other instruments, which still will receive poorly focused light from the flawed mirror. Compared with the main camera, however, those instruments are much less severely impaired by the bad mirror.

The discovery of the flaw shortly after the Hubble was launched April 25 proved a major embarrassment for NASA. The telescope is designed to take clearer pictures of the far reaches of space than are possible from ground-based telescopes.

The 1.3-millimeter error was discovered in a device called a reflective null corrector, NASA officials said.

Allen said that simple washers might have thrown off the entire instrument because the washers appear to be the same thickness as the error. But he said that could be a coincidence, and the team will study many other possibilities.

The 1.3-millimeter error is huge in optics terms, Allen said. Pellerin likened it to a room that was accidentally built 3 feet too long.

Allen said a test had indicated the error when the mirror was manufactured in the early 1980s at a division of Perkin-Elmer Corp. that was bought last year by Hughes. But he said Perkin-Elmer engineers had placed complete faith in the null corrector and disregarded the test results.

While declining to say whether Hughes Danbury was to blame for the error, Allen did say NASA was not aware of the results that showed there was an error.

"As we go back through the documents, we don't find any case where they called this to the attention of NASA," he said.

Thomas Arconti, spokesman for Hughes Danbury, said only that the company would continue to work with NASA to find the answers to the remaining questions.

Greenhouse gases rising in Earth's atmosphere

By RANDOLPH E. SCHMID
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WASHINGTON (AP)—Carbon dioxide—the most common of the so-called greenhouse gases—is increasing in the Earth's atmosphere faster than during the 1960s and early 1980s, a federal agency reports.

According to a study by Dr. Pieter Tans of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the concentration of carbon dioxide increased at an average rate of 1.71 parts per million over the last four years.

That is somewhat faster than the 1.5 parts per million rise reported in much of the 1980s. In the 1960s the increase was reported at only 0.7

parts per million annually.

"I think there is a tendency for the rate to be still increasing, but it doesn't go smoothly, just like the climate," Tans said Thursday.

"The (carbon dioxide) increase varies a lot from year to year. One year it can change very little, and the next year it makes up for the slow increase," he explained in a telephone interview. "At the moment it seems to be increasing fairly fast."

Concentrations of carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, CFC-11

and CFC-12 are monitored by NOAA's Climate Monitoring and Diagnostics Laboratory in Boulder, Colo.

The increasing amount of these gases in the air has caused concern in recent years. The gases are produced by industrial processes, heating and other human activities as well as some natural sources.

Many scientists worry that the gases will act somewhat like a greenhouse, causing Earth to overheat.

The shortwave radiation from the

sun that warms the Earth passes through the gases easily, but they can trap the longer wave radiation from Earth that normally cools the planet and keeps overall temperatures in balance.

Global concentrations of carbon dioxide, the most common of the so-called greenhouse gases, have increased by about 25 percent since the mid-1800s, to just over 350 parts per million.

However, scientists disagree over whether any global heating has already occurred.

Brazoria County cashes in on anonymous guilty conscience

ANGLETON (AP)—The Brazoria County coffers are \$4,000 richer thanks to someone's guilty conscience.

A package was sent to the County Judge John Damon's office this week with a small treasure tucked inside—40 crisp \$100 bills.

"This more than repays what I owe the county," the unsigned note read.

The package was delivered with the noon mail Tuesday. Damon's secretary, Jane Patterson, placed it on the bottom of the stack, thinking

it contained some religious, anti-communist literature someone anonymously sends the judge occasionally.

But she became suspicious after taking a closer look at the envelope, which was mailed in Angleton either late Monday or early Tuesday.

There was no return address, and it sported 75 cents in stamps to assure prompt delivery. It was addressed to Damon and county commissioners.

When she opened it, she found a legal-size white envelope. In that,

she found a tightly folded piece of paper. The bills and note were wrapped in the paper.

"We're \$4,000 richer because of somebody's guilty conscience," Damon said Wednesday.

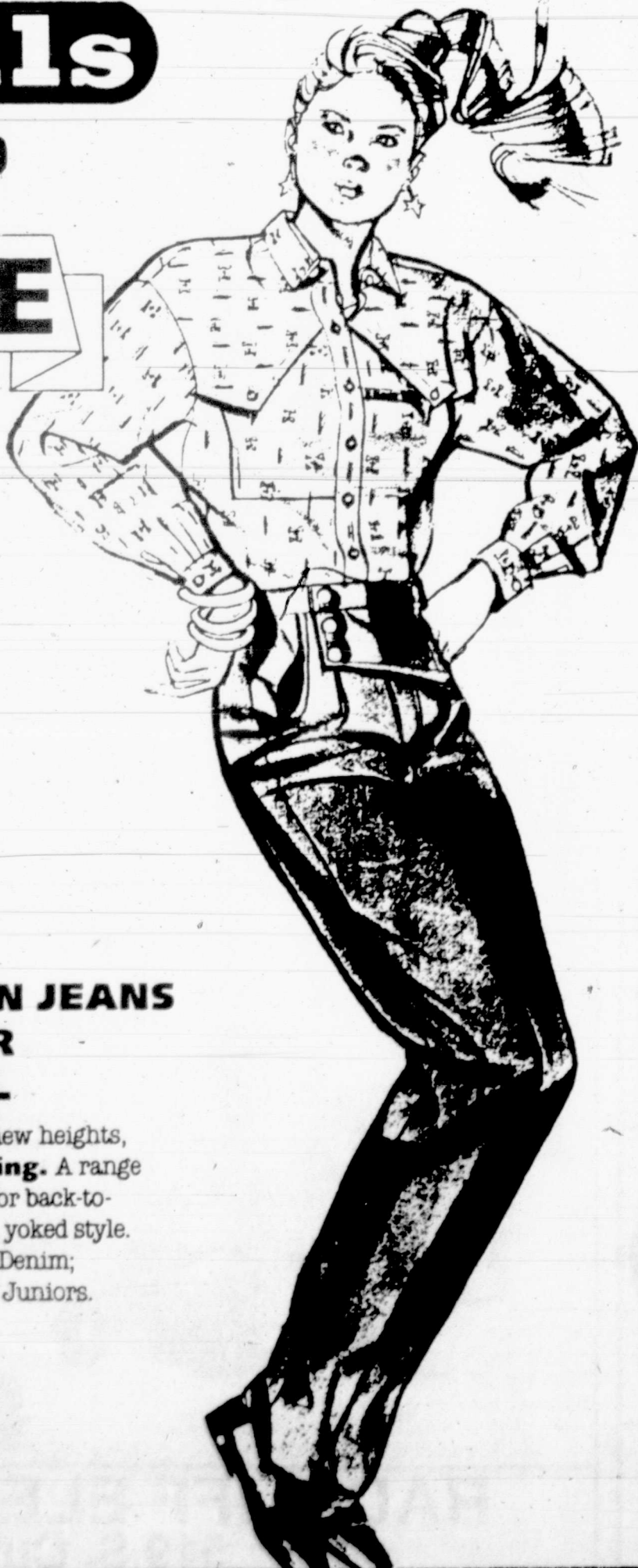
"It's pretty unusual for someone to send us money like this. Most of the time all we get are bills," he said. "I don't think we have any choice but to put it in our treasury."

The package was turned over to the district attorney's office and will be examined for fingerprints. The money is safe in a vault.

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Actors' equity okays white actor to play part in 'Miss Saigon'

NEW YORK (AP) — Actors' Equity bowed to pressure from within its ranks and agreed to let a white actor play a Eurasian pimp in the Broadway production of the hit London musical "Miss Saigon."

Now the question is whether the show will go on.

Producer Cameron Mackintosh, who had scrapped the \$10 million show after the union's initial ban on Jonathan Pryce, said Thursday he will confer with the English actor and the "Miss Saigon" creative team to determine whether it can still be brought to Broadway.

A decision is not expected until next week, said Mackintosh spokesman Marc Thibodeau.

"Miss Saigon," which was to have begun previews here in March, already has \$25 million in advance ticket sales, the largest in Broadway history. Mackintosh has said the cancellation would cost him about \$600,000.

Actors' Equity, which has a veto over foreign actors in the United States, had denied permission Aug. 7 for Pryce to repeat his London performance because casting a white actor in Asian makeup is "an affront to the Asian community."

The decision stirred fierce debate over color-blind casting, minority opportunities on stage and

artistic freedom. Some complained it called into question the nature of acting itself — pretending to be someone the actor is not.

Equity reversed itself at a special meeting Thursday of its 70-member council, called in response to a petition from more than 600 Equity members outraged by the decision to bar the actor. The union has 37,500 active members.

Alan Eisenberg, the union's executive secretary, said the council was influenced by a demonstration of good intent by the producer.

Mackintosh had said that Pryce eliminated his slanted-eye makeup immediately after learning that it "offended members of the American-Asian community."

In addition, the union said it had a commitment from Mackintosh to seek out Asian actors for Broadway roles and to help give them voice training.

In explaining the reversal, Eisenberg said the council, which met for nearly six hours, determined that Pryce qualified as a "star." Stars from other countries usually get automatic approval to perform in the United States.

Pryce has appeared on Broadway twice, winning a Tony in 1977 for his performance in "Comedians" and starring in "Accidental Death of an Anarchist" in 1984.

Oil price increases heighten fear of recession for cities and states

By LEE MITGANG
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Oil price increases are straining already tight city and state budgets, forcing cutbacks in car and air travel by government workers and causing fresh jitters over the possibility of a recession.

Most local budget officials contacted this week by The Associated Press said it was too early to weigh the impact of oil price increases stemming from the 2-week-old Persian Gulf crisis.

"There's no reason to panic at this point," said Verlyn Leiker, budget director of Kansas City, Mo., who estimated that the oil price rise has added only "a few hundred thousand" to that city's \$350 million budget.

A few energy-producing states even believe they'll come out winners if oil prices continue upward.

In Texas, state Comptroller Bob Bullock estimates the treasury would gain \$50 million for every \$1-per-barrel oil price increase.

New Mexico, the seventh-largest oil-producing state, would realize \$4 million a year for every dollar-a-barrel rise.

Alaska calculates that if oil prices remain at current levels through the next year, the state will have a nearly \$300 million surplus by next July.

But budget officials elsewhere fear sustained oil price increases of 25 percent to 30 percent would almost certainly bring about deep municipal and state service cuts.

The larger worry, they said, is that higher energy costs could tip the economy into a recession and batter already strapped local governments.

"It could be a killer," said Rex Olliff, finance specialist for Los Angeles. "With a recession it would be difficult to get through this year. And next year there would be a real problem."

"At this point, I would be more concerned about the possible long-term impact of higher gas prices and how that could affect our econ-

omy, particularly the tourist industry," said Carol Wilkins, San Francisco deputy mayor for finance.

Officials in Scottsdale, Ariz., another tourist mecca, are worried that escalating air fares and gasoline prices could lower hotel occupancy.

"We are very dependent on (oil prices) in terms of getting people here," said economic development specialist Dave Roderique.

Boston, already \$13 million short in its \$1.36 billion budget for the fiscal year that began July 1, could see \$10 million in additional red ink if fuel prices go up 30 percent, said Barbara Gottschalk, city budget director.

"We've never run a deficit budget in the city in the 12 years I've been here. If this increase stays, I think we will have a deficit," said Buffalo, N.Y., general services commissioner Danny Bohan.

A number of states and cities have already taken modest savings steps. Albuquerque, N.M., and Rhode Island are talking about cut-

ting back on car fleets or restricting take-home car use. Wyoming may cut back on out-of-state air travel by state officials.

Indiana Lt. Gov. Frank O'Bannon sent a memo ordering state agencies to increase car pooling and cut back on discretionary travel.

In North Carolina, David Crotts, the Legislature's senior fiscal analyst, said rising oil prices could create a \$100 million shortfall in revenue projections and wipe out much of a \$141 million state "rainy day fund." State agencies already have cut back on travel budgets.

Connecticut, its budget already \$244 million in the red, is paying 13 cents more per gallon than a year ago for the 7.5 million gallons needed to fuel its state car fleet and police cruisers. State officials prepared a memo asking state car users to cut back on their driving.

New York City estimates that each penny rise in gasoline prices will add \$166,500 to the cost of fueling its 24,000-car municipal fleet.

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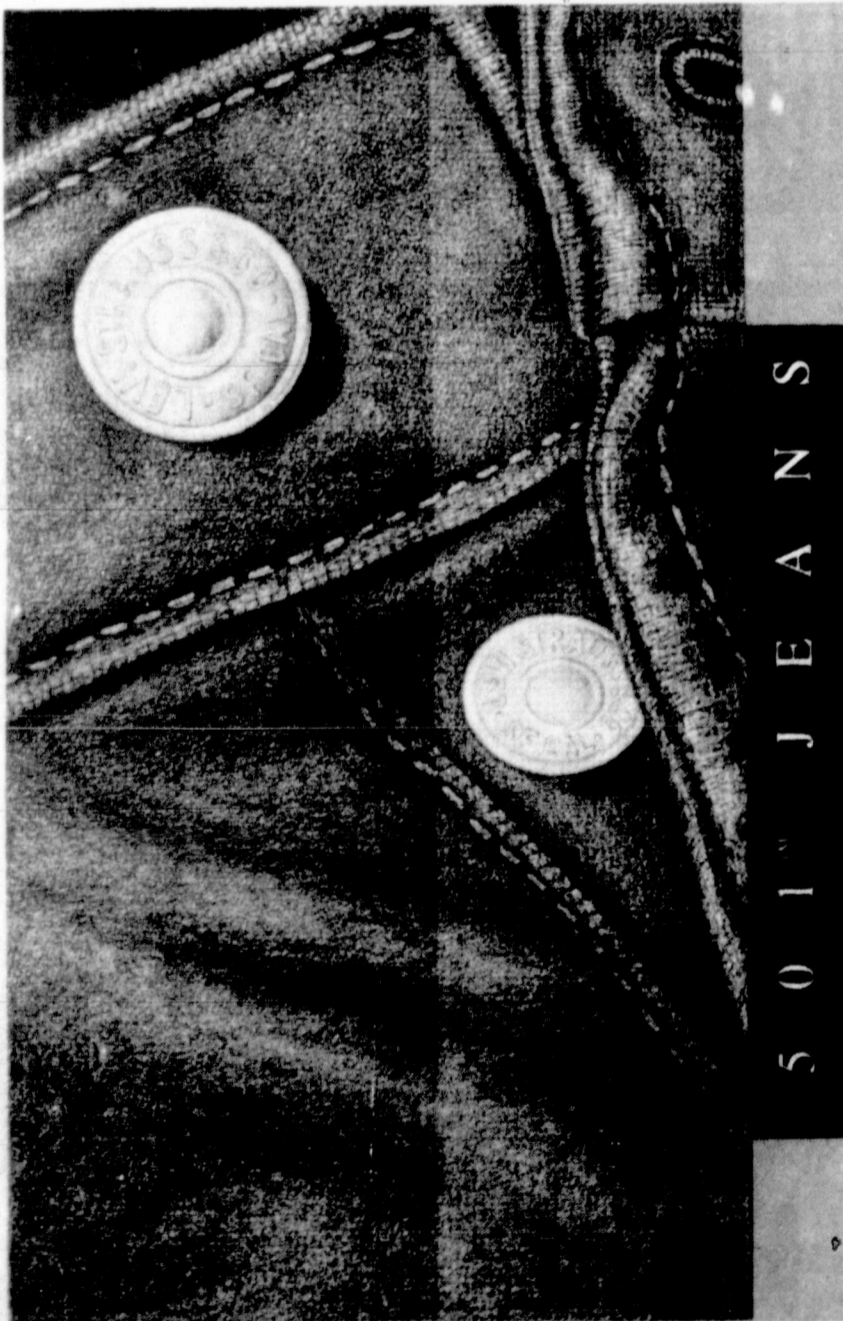
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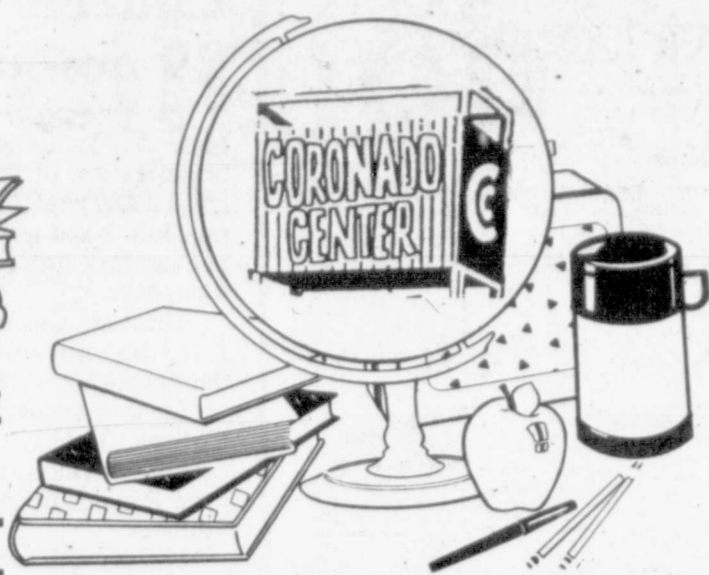


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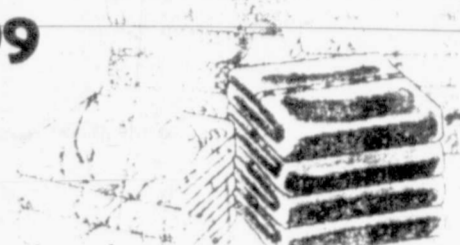
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Religion

Indoor campmeeting set by Faith Christian

Faith Christian Center, 118 N. Cuyler, will host an indoor campmeeting revival from Sunday through Wednesday.

Sunday services will be at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, services will be at 7 p.m.

The evangelist, Marlon Sparks, was called into the ministry at the age of 12, and has ministered on a full-time basis since the age of 17. God has used his voice to proclaim the "Good News" gospel to his generation throughout this nation and several foreign countries, Pastor Ed Barker said.

Sparks and his wife, Kathy, are graduates of Rhema Bible Training Center in Broken Arrow, Okla., and presently serve as pastors of the Calvary Temple Outreach Center in Perryton.

Sparks has also released two popular gospel recordings. He is scheduled to sing each evening before he ministers.



Marlon Sparks

Pastor Barker and the congregation invite the public to attend the indoor campmeeting revival. A nursery will be provided.

Hi-Land Christian plans weeklong Bible school

Larry Haddock, minister of Hi-Land Christian Church, 1615 N. Banks, calls it "this summer's friendliest vacation destination" and it's right here in Pampa.

The FRIENDIMENSION adventure, a community Vacation Bible School will take place nightly from Sunday through Friday. Classes meet from 6:30 to 9 p.m. and programs are available for ages 4 through eighth-grade.

"Our focus is friendship," says Jackie Brown, VBS coordinator. Students of all ages discover what Scripture says about making friends and keeping friends. And most important, how to become forever friends with Jesus Christ.

Students will enjoy singing, craft projects, creative learning activities, graded Bible discovery lessons and meeting Clarabelle the Clown.

For information about VBS or to enroll, call 669-6700.

Church schedules Saturday breakfast

Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm St., will have its brotherhood breakfast on Saturday morning. The menu includes bacon, eggs, pancakes, sausage, orange juice, coffee, and grape jelly. The public is invited and donations will be accepted.

Catholic ministry helps people with AIDS

By CRYSTAL LAIDACKER
Kerrville Daily Times

KERRVILLE (AP) — A new ministry recently opened here — an unusual one in many ways.

Damien House is a telephone apostolate that ministers through an "800" number to people with AIDS and people with chemical dependencies.

In May, the Catholic ministry opened in Kerrville — its seventh home in the United States — after the late Lola Sliger bequeathed the local property to Corpus Christi Abbey.

Damien House is appropriately named after St. Damien, a leper who dedicated his life to the service of those whom the world shunned in fear of their disease.

"Damien House is relatively new here," said the Rev. Brother M. "B.J." Joachim, founder of the Community of St. Francis and Youth At Risk Inc. which operates Damien House.

The Community of St. Francis and Youth At Risk Inc. have been "in the business of working with young people and the chemically dependent for nearly 25 years," Joachim said.

Five years ago, Joachim was diagnosed with AIDS. He expanded his ministry to include other people with the disease.

"I have been blessed with this disease. It's been an opportunity," he says, explaining that it has given his ministry new dimension.

"It's been a struggle," Joachim says, adding that sometimes he wonders "where the real Christians are."

But, "they're there," he said.

The American Catholic church has grown and is becoming more involved in the ministry without judgment, Joachim noted. He also pointed out that in Kerrville those of "non-Catholic faith have made us feel very much at home. I have personally received outstanding support."

In spite of the fact that Joachim suffers from one of the rarest forms of AIDS, and has dropped from 245 to 135 pounds, he emphatically believes in letting people with AIDS "work as long as we possibly can. 'I'm living with AIDS, not

dying from AIDS," Joachim says. "It's a misnomer that HIV or PWAs (people with AIDS) are unproductive."

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome is an affliction in which a virus attacks the body's immune

'AIDS isn't a gay disease, it's a human disease ... Fear comes from ignorance and we've certainly been guilty of that. We can no longer afford to do that.'

— Rev. 'B.J.' Joachim

system, leaving victims susceptible to a wide variety of infections and cancers. The Human Immunodeficiency Virus may be carried by people who do not necessarily exhibit symptoms of AIDS.

In the past two years, the disease has hit Joachim's central nervous system. "Sometimes my memory is hampered," he says. He also suffers from impaired vision and constantly battles exhaustion.

Even though he has these setbacks, Joachim is full of plans for the ministry. He and his "spiritual advisor," Father Alfred Hoinig, are developing a campaign for education, research, and helping those financially strapped with drugs or medical care needed.

Joachim adds that "we're not in competition...we want to help anyone or any other program involved. We want to share our expertise and help."

Until the recent campaign, Joachim says Damien House has been answering around 30 calls a night.

Now they handle even more. He said their busiest hours are from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m., the "loneliest hours of the day. 'We use the buddy system,'" Joachim says of the ministry.

Their "800" number reaches the continental United States, Hawaii, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. They are on call 24 hours a day and provide counseling or just someone to listen to. They also provide a referral service.

Other priests on call and Damien House has started a vol-

unteer program.

"We teach them the proper way to respond, or to not respond," Joachim says.

Joachim's personal hope is to find others out there, "from different faiths" who also suffer from AIDS.

When he first began the Damien House ministry with AIDS, Joachim said "the church at that time — seemed to keep a distance. The headlines reported AIDS as a 'gay disease.'"

"AIDS isn't a gay disease, it's a human disease," he points out. He said there's always the "fear of what the public might say," but he encourages other priests and pastors with AIDS, by telling

Christians to "allow us to participate in the ministry."

"Fear comes from ignorance," Joachim said, "and we've certainly been guilty of that. We can no longer afford to do that."

He adds that ignorance comes from denial.

"The pain and denial never goes away, it just takes a different form."

"We in the church have to take a responsibility," Joachim says of the ministry to people with aids, "with unconditional love — and still hold on to our morals."

Hoinig and Joachim, who live at Damien House, also have plans for the house.

John Coleman, a local nurseryman, is helping to develop a cloister and garden area with new trees, plants, and a walkway, which will be open to the public.

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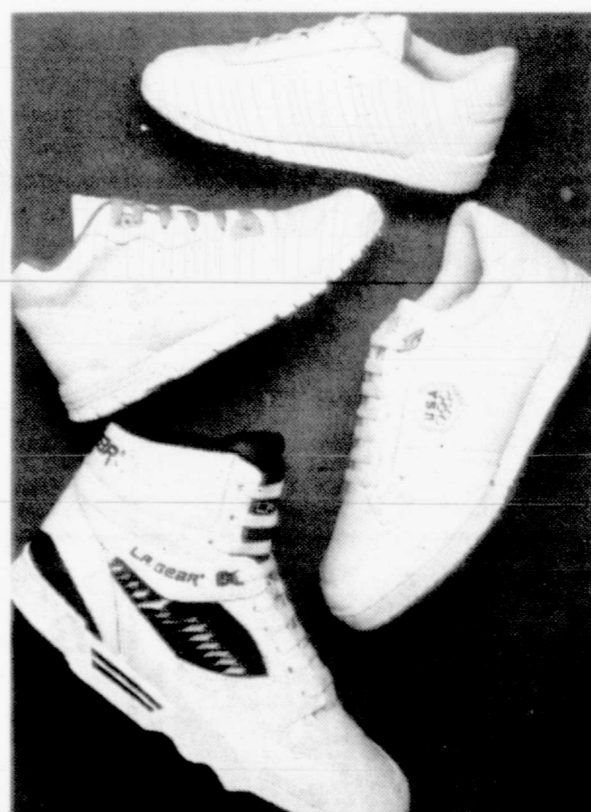
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Iraq withdraws troops from Iran, frees POWs in separate peace bid

By SIDNEY S. FEINGOLD
Associated Press Writer

Iraq today began withdrawing troops from Iranian territory and freed Iranian POWs, seeking peace with its eastern neighbor to focus on the escalating confrontation with the United States.

President Bush expressed pessimism Thursday that Iraqi forces would end its 2-week-old occupation of Kuwait, while a military buildup and economic embargo intensified in the Persian Gulf.

Saddam wrote Bush an open letter Thursday calling Bush a liar and a shallow person.

Bush ordered U.S. naval commanders to use "the minimum force necessary" to interdict shipments to and from Iraq. That could include firing across the bow to halt a ship.

But American efforts to squeeze the Iraqi president with a trade embargo could run into trouble. The United Nations chief said military enforcement of U.N. sanctions against Iraq requires U.N. approval.

In other developments:
— An Iraqi cargo ship, reportedly carrying food, steamed through

the Suez Canal toward the Red Sea today after being stranded at the waterway's entrance for three days, a canal authority official said. The 7,000-ton Zain al-Qaws was the first Iraqi vessel to transit the 100-mile-long channel — the main route for European shipping to the region — since the United Nations imposed sanctions on Iraq on Aug. 6.

— Thousands of foreigners fled Iraq on Thursday. Iraqi authorities in Kuwait ordered the 2,500 Americans to assemble at a hotel because of "unspecified threats," but few complied, said a senior U.S. official in Washington. The order drew international criticism.

— The repatriation of the first batch of Iranian prisoners followed Iraq's announcement Wednesday to free the POWs and withdraw from Iranian land in an effort to formally end the eight-year Iran-Iraq war and secure its eastern border. Peace would enable Iraq to transfer some of its estimated 300,000 troops on that front to Kuwait and the Saudi frontier.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency said the Tehran government was also releasing Iraqi prisoners today but did not say how many.

— Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said Iraq has pursued its armed forces buildup in Kuwait and



Source: The World Almanac and Book of Facts

its troops there now number about 160,000. The Iraqis have ringed Kuwait City with an air-defense system, a U.S. official reported, speaking on condition of anonymity. The United States plans to send 45,000 Marines to back soldiers, air personnel and sailors already in

place in the Persian Gulf and Saudi desert, Pentagon sources said.

The United States and some Arab countries have poured thousands of troops into Saudi Arabia since Iraq invaded oil-rich Kuwait Aug. 2 in a dispute over land and oil and massed forces near the Saudis'

northern border.

Saddam wrote Bush an open letter Thursday calling Bush a liar and a shallow person. "But despite all that, we will continue to pray, and pray hard, that there will be no confrontation by which you will receive thousands of Americans wrapped in sad coffins after you had pushed them into a dark tunnel," he said.

Bush said after meeting Thursday with King Hussein of Jordan, "I did not come away with any feeling of hope" Iraqi forces will leave Kuwait.

Bush also said Thursday that King Hussein assured him Jordan would close Aqaba, the last remaining free port to most Iraqi trade, as the economic embargo on materials to Iraq continued unabated. Foodstuffs are among the goods being blocked from entry; Iraq imports about three-quarters of its food.

Washington has pushed hard with a maritime barricade following the U.N. trade embargo. Iraq subsequently announced it was annexing Kuwait, and Saddam calls it an "eternal merger."

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said in Peru Thursday that the use of military power to enforce U.N. sanctions on Iraq violates the U.N. charter unless the world body's Security Council approves it.

Troops from Egypt, Syria, Morocco and Bangladesh are bolstering the U.S. deployment in Saudi Arabia.

Britain, West Germany, Australia, Canada and the Netherlands are aiding the assemblage of 27 U.S. Navy vessels in blocking trade with Iraq. Belgium today deployed two minesweepers and a supply vessel to the eastern Mediterranean to help.

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Lifestyles

Compulsions helped by computer

By MALCOLM RITTER
AP Science Writer

BOSTON (AP) — A pocket-size computer helped a woman sharply reduce her obsessive habit of checking locks, electrical appliances and other objects, showing promise as a treatment for obsessive compulsive disorder, a researcher said.

The woman, who had undergone traditional therapies for three years, showed improvement when she started using a laptop computer and again with a device about the size of a credit card.

When she had the urge to check something, she logged on to the computer, which encouraged her not to do so.

The technology extends behavioral therapy into the home and elsewhere, because when patients feel the urge to perform a ritual, "they need some help right there," said Lee Baer of Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

The computer approach has not been formally evaluated, but a handful of cases gives hope that it may be a useful addition to standard treatment, Baer said.

As many as 5 million Americans may have obsessive compulsive disorder.

It is a type of anxiety characterized by obsessions, which are persistent unwanted thoughts or

impulses, and compulsions, which are repetitive behaviors in response to the obsessions.

Patients recognize their behavior is irrational, but cannot control it. Compulsive hand washing and checking of door locks are common rituals.

Standard behavior therapy and medications help most patients, but not all, Baer said at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association held last week.

The woman, 58, had a 37-year history of the disorder. She was obsessed by the fear of hurting other people, especially children, and of saying or writing obscenities without realizing it.

She ritually checked locks on doors, windows and autos, the emergency brake on her car, electrical switches and appliances, faucets, the positions of her hands and feet, and anything she had written, including checks and letters.

Before starting standard treatment she had checked 33 objects daily at home and 24 outside her home.

After three years of behavioral treatment and medication, she still checked 24 objects daily at home and 15 daily outside her home.

As an adjunct to her treatment, researchers tried a laptop computer she could use at home, and later a more portable device about the size of a credit card.

The patient is supposed to activate the computer if she feels the urge to check something, Baer said.

At that point, the computer incorporates the patient's name, asking, for example, "What is it you want to check, Chris?"

The patient indicates the answer on a list of his or her known targets. "Good, Chris!" the computer responds. "You were able to identify the urge to check."

It then urges the patient to refrain for three minutes while repeating to herself, "Nothing bad will happen if you resist the urge to check."

After three minutes, the computer asks if the patient checked the object. If so, it says she should have been able to resist. Then it shuts itself off.

If the patient did hold off on checking the object, the computer offers congratulations and a reminder to carry out instructions of the human therapist.

Then, if the patient activates the computer again later, it asks whether the patient ever acted on the previous compulsion.

If not, it congratulates the patient on resisting for however many minutes had elapsed.

The woman reported that after 17 weeks of using the laptop at home, she had stopped checking 20 of the 24 objects, her lowest level in 30 years.

Chautauqua is coming



(Staff photo)

The 9th Annual Chautauqua, sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association, will kick off this year with early morning runs promoted by Coronado Hospital for United Way, and a pancake breakfast prepared by the Soccer Association. Free programs will begin on the main stage at 9 a.m., and continue through to 4 p.m., when Ann Richards, the Democratic candidate for governor, will address the crowd. The Labor Day festival held in Central Park is a showcase for artists and craftsmen, educational exhibits and a variety of entertainment for children.

Cramps and fever were early clues to rare bowel disease

DEAR ABBY: Two years ago, our 13-year-old son, Josh, who had always been a healthy, active boy, started having sharp stomach pains and a constant fever. It was the beginning of a nightmare that lasted nine months.

Physicians in our small town told us that Josh had a "nervous" stomach. We were asked if he was having trouble in school. He wasn't. Then the doctors suggested that it was stress, common in adolescents, and would probably pass. It didn't. Josh's condition rapidly grew worse. He lost his appetite and, in a few weeks, he dropped 25 pounds! Seriously alarmed, we went to more doctors. They told us that his symptoms were "imaginary" — and suggested Josh needed psychological "counseling."

Our happy, outgoing son became more and more withdrawn. His friends grew impatient with him. His teachers accused us of coddling him, and complained of his frequent absence from school.

In desperation, I took Josh to a pediatric gastroenterologist in a nearby town, where he was immediately hospitalized and put on intravenous feeding. He was diagnosed as having inflammatory bowel disease, a collective term for Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. We were told that an estimated 2 million Americans — of which 200,000 are children — have it. Although the cause is not known, and thus far there is no known cure for it, the symptoms can be controlled by medication.

Today, Josh is back at school and actively involved in sports. His disease is now under control, and we have a happy, energetic son once more.

For nine months, I painfully watched my son's health slowly deteriorate. Other parents can be spared my experience by simply



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

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JOSH'S MOTHER, WILMINGTON, OHIO

DEAR MOTHER: Thank you for writing so that I can alert other parents.

Readers, if you or anyone you know has the above symptoms, help is available: Call the National Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis at its toll-free number: 1-800-343-3637. They will send you a list of doctors in your area who specialize in treating inflammatory bowel disease. Also available are free educational brochures, and the location of local chapters that sponsor seminars and support groups.

DEAR ABBY: I do volunteer work at a very large medical center. I feel very good about it. We have 400 volunteers at this hospital, and we all feel very proud of what we do for the patients.

The other day, I was with a group of women (not at the hospital) and several of them said they thought I was foolish for working at the hospital for nothing. One woman said she would never do that kind of work — she was paid for her time.

Abby, what do you think of a remark like that?

LONGTIME VOLUNTEER DEAR VOLUNTEER: You rattled the right cage. "B.C." (Before Column), I worked as a "Gray Lady" for the American Red Cross — training women to work in hospitals — and it was one of the most rewarding experiences of my life.

The rewards that come from volunteer work are far more valuable than any monetary compensation. Women (and men, too) who are financially able to volunteer their services should do so, and leave the paying jobs for those who must work in order to support themselves or a family.

DEAR ABBY: This is for your "Now I've heard everything" file: In Ionia, Mich., a very intoxicated man attempted to rob two service station attendants at gunpoint. The attendants refused to hand over the

money, so the would-be robber threatened to call the police!

The attendants still refused to budge, so the drunk called the police, who showed up and immediately arrested him.

A RICHMOND, VA., READER

DEAR ABBY: Many years ago, you had a letter in your column from someone who asked, "Which is hardest, growing up as the youngest in the family, the oldest or the middle child?"

I am the baby of the family, and my mother always used to read that article to me and my two older brothers.

If you can find it among your columns, would you please run it again? My wedding is coming up soon, and I would like to frame it and give it to my mother. Thank you.

DANA W., LAKE WORTH, FLA.

DEAR DANA: It wasn't hard to find, and here it is:

If you ask the eldest, he'll say, "It's hardest to be the firstborn because you're expected to set a good example for the younger ones. And if a fight breaks out, you get blamed because you're the oldest and should know better."

Ask the middle child, and he'll say, "Being the middle child is the hardest because you get none of the advantages of being the youngest or the oldest."

Ask the youngest child, and he'll tell you that being the youngest is hardest because "your parents try to keep you 'a baby' as long as possible, and you have to wear all the hand-me-downs."

Denim has long history

By The Associated Press

Denim has a long history. Here are some highlights, culled by Levi Strauss & Co.:

— This tightly woven fabric was first made during the Middle Ages in the French textile town of Nimes. It first was called "Serge de Nimes," later shortened to "de Nimes" and finally to "denim."

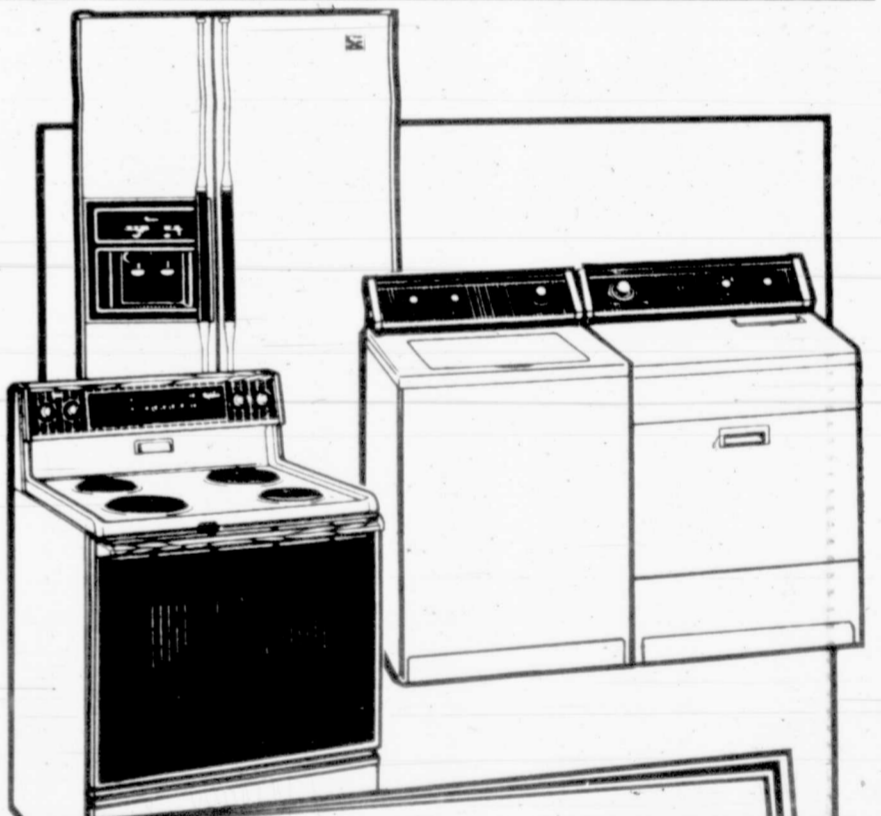
— Early sailors from Genoa, Italy, characteristically wore pants made of denim, and these became known as "genes," later adapted to "jeans."

— The sailors from Dhunga,

India, also wore denim pants. Theirs were called "dhungarees," now "dungarees."

— Denim was used for the sails of the Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria when Columbus' fleet sailed to the New World.

— American jeans became popular during the California Gold Rush, when a young immigrant, Levi Strauss, arrived too late for the gold. He decided to make heavy-duty pants for the miners, who complained they couldn't find clothing to withstand the rigors of their work.



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Brown bag book sale

Cowboys read books, too, and they have a chance to get a bellyful during the Friends of the Library Old West Days Brown Bag Book Sale in Amarillo.

The sale takes place in the Central Library basement across the street from the Civic Center, the afternoon of Friday, Aug. 24, 1-6 p.m.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 25; and 12 noon - 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26.

Patrons wishing to buy books will be greeted by Friends who will be decked out in Western gear accented with colorful cowboy bandannas. The books are remainders from the big Friends Book Sale held earlier in the summer.

The object of the brown bag book sale is to stuff as many of the little critters (your own choices) in a grocery sack for \$3 on Friday; at \$2 on Saturday; and at \$1 on Sunday.

The Brown Bag Sale is the Friends of the Library's contribution to Old West Days and August Lights, coinciding with the "Creativity in Motion" Fair that will be held all over the library in the public areas on Saturday. The Fair will feature live entertainment like plays, folk opera, music, puppet shows, bubble art and choreography, as well as seminars on creativity. Exhibits and displays will also highlight and showcase all kinds of expressions of creativity, including videos, science projects, inventions, clothing designs, antique automobiles and computer software.

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ACROSS

- 1 Brownish-purple
- 5 Chief of sprites
- 9 Out of bed
- 12 Bright color
- 13 African-Arabian waters (2 wds.)
- 14 Shoe lace tip
- 16 Wed secretly
- 18 Director
- 19 Pipe-fitting unit
- 22 Shatter
- 24 Tropical cuckoo
- 25 — Breck-inridge
- 27 Hebrew patriarch
- 29 Mighty Lak
- 31 Gr. rd Can-yon State

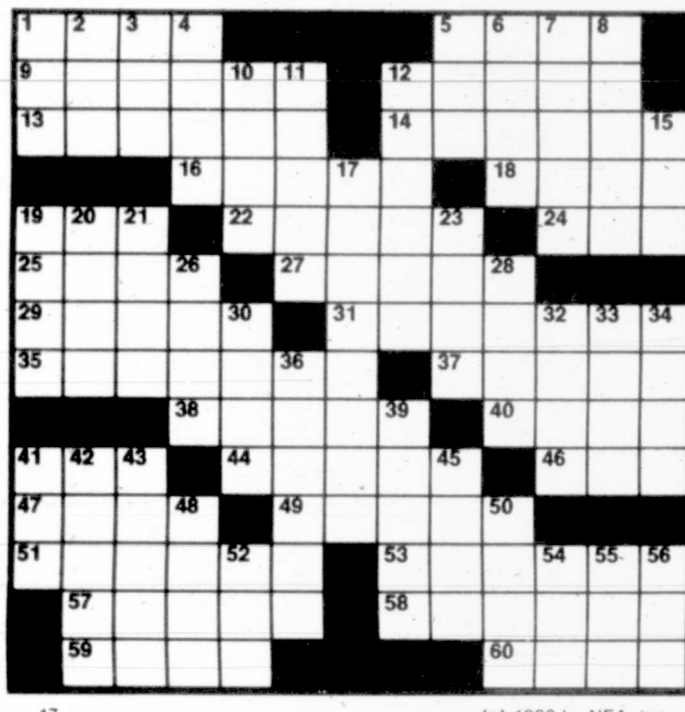
DOWN

- 1 Equality
- 2 Yorkshire river
- 3 Spanish hero
- 4 Abstract

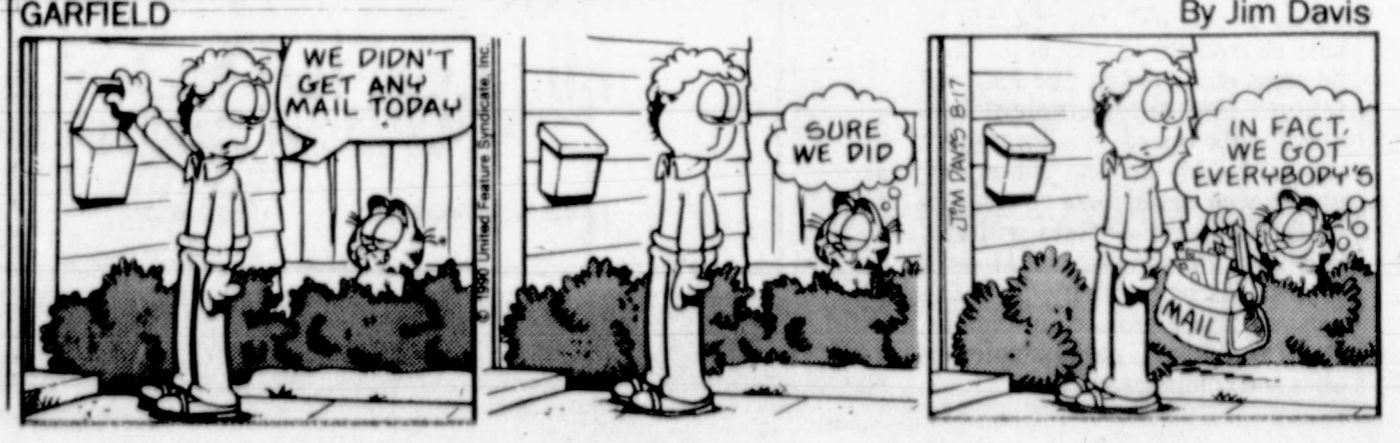
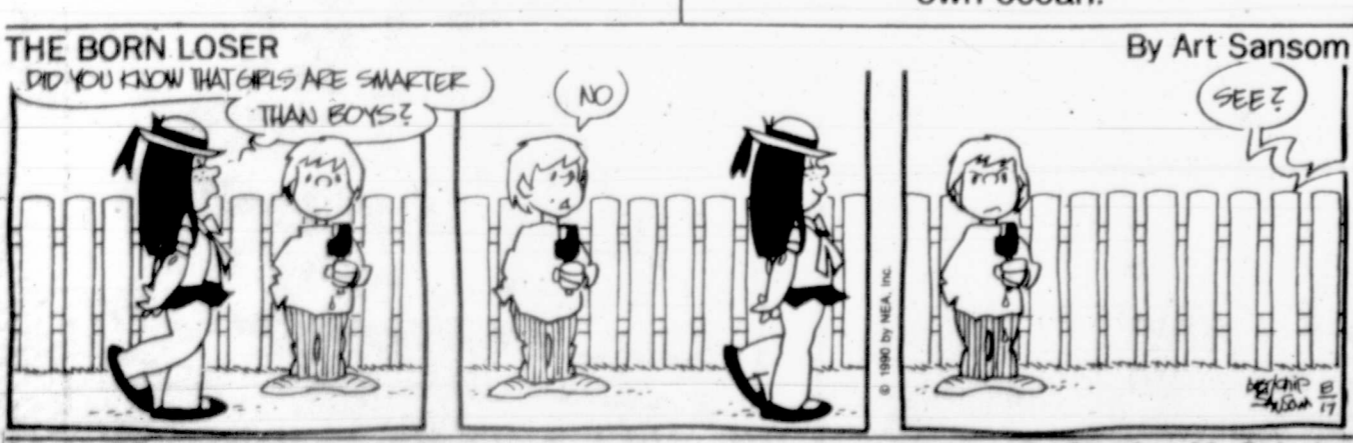
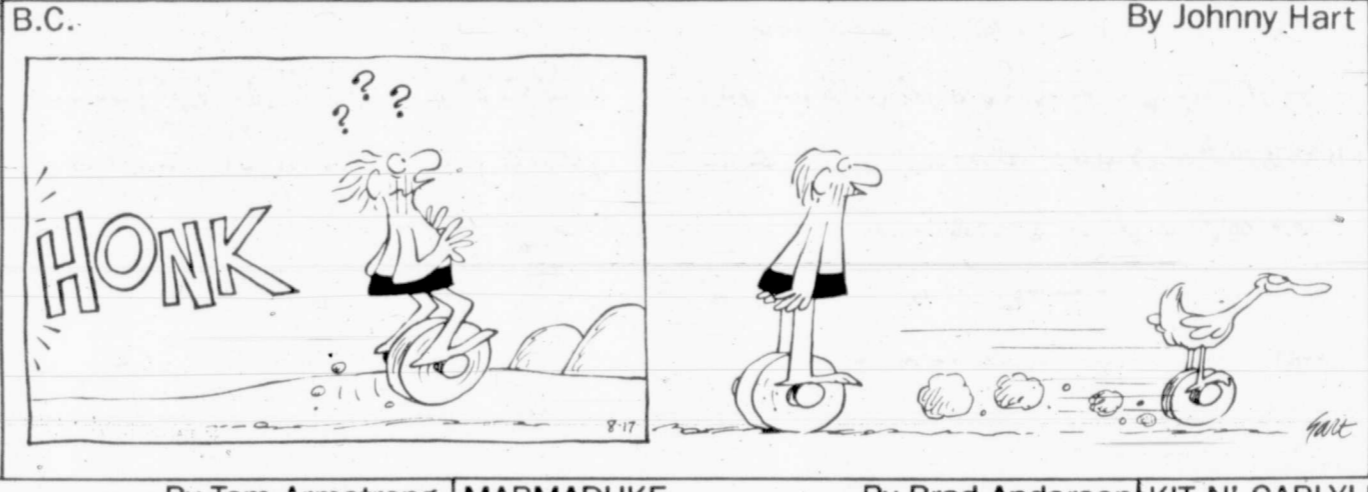
Answer to Previous Puzzle



- being
- 5 Luau food
- 6 incite
- 7 Lily
- 8 Designer
- 9 Calvin
- 10 Skinny fish
- 11 Ruth's
- 12 companion
- 13 Roman leader
- 14 Mai (cocktail)
- 15 Rose Bowl site
- 16 Govt. agent
- 17 Bronte heroine Jane
- 18 God of love
- 19 Precipitation
- 20 Concerning (2 wds.)
- 21 Russian ruler
- 22 Additions to houses
- 23 Approve
- 24 Snow field
- 25 On the briny
- 26 Extracts
- 27 Lacy fill
- 28 Theodore, for short
- 29 Sidestep
- 30 Rare gas
- 31 He who — the piper ...
- 32 Regretted
- 33 Elects
- 34 Sibling of sis
- 35 Horse command
- 36 Airline info
- 37 Wool fiber



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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You are presently in a cycle where you could be luckier than usual in enterprises you either originate or personally direct. Put your talents to good uses. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today could mark the beginning of a rather interesting harvest time for you. People who you have gone out of your way to help will be working on ways to repay your kindness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) The possibilities of an endeavor for which you have high hopes appear to be equally as good as you envision them. Don't let small setbacks cause you to think otherwise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Are you absolutely certain you're aware of the full ramifications of something on which you've been working? Continue to study it carefully, because its scope could be much grander than you suspect.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If there is something you've been wanting to publish or promote in order to influence public opinion on a large scale, this is the time to light the fuse to your rocket.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There are some transformations developing now that could have an effect upon your finances and status. They're controlled by outside factors, but the outcome should please you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) An individual whose influence exceeds yours is beginning to view you as an equal at this time. There is a strong possibility some type of alliance or partnership arrangement will result.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A raise or promotion for which you've been hoping could become a possibility in this new cycle you have just entered. Continue to perform in ways that will impress your superiors.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) People will be drawn to you today, because you'll emanate an exciting charisma and you'll be fun to be around. A rise in popularity is in the offing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) That inately lucky feeling you have deep down is a rather accurate barometer, even if surface indications don't appear to be supportive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you have some special ideas or plans you would now like to expand upon, go to it. This is the day for you to think and operate on a grand scale.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Don't be dismayed if your financial trends have been a bit erratic lately. Some stabilizing influences could start to enter the picture as of today.

Flying cosmetic surgeon's practice is as big as Texas



Dr. Howard Tobin goes over the flight checklist in the cockpit of his twin-engine turboprop in Abilene.

By DAVID THORNE PARK
The Dallas Morning News

ABILENE (AP) — Dr. Howard Tobin readily admits that the West Texas plains is an unlikely location for a thriving cosmetic surgery practice.

"But it's like anything else in life," said the New Jersey native. "You look at a challenge and either you can think of a way to overcome it or it's going to overcome you."

With his medical skills and his airplane, Tobin, 52, figures that he has met the challenge.

For 17 years, Tobin has piloted his twin-engine Cheyenne turboprop over the ranches and prairies of Texas — the last few years in search of noses to shape and tummies to tuck.

One day every week, he flies to cities throughout the state for consultations with prospective patients. If they decide on surgery, they either make arrangements to travel to Abilene on their own — or fly there in Tobin's plane.

"I knew there wasn't enough work in Abilene," Tobin said, "so I kept spreading out. As my practice became more successful, I could afford a bigger and faster plane and could go farther."

Grace Norman, 43, who lives in Wichita Falls and has gone to Tobin for breast augmentation and liposuction surgery, said she was pleased to learn that the doctor held consultations in her hometown.

"I wanted someone who had the credentials and knew what they were doing, and when I heard about Dr. Tobin, I knew he'd be the one,"

Ms. Norman said. "It wasn't too far to drive to Abilene, but it made it a lot easier now that he comes up here."

Tobin said the advantage of being in Abilene is that the central location and the ideal weather conditions make it perfect for flying.

But when he started the practice, success was not so certain. He said that when he began traveling to neighboring communities and telling people about his cosmetic surgery practice, he didn't know what the response would be.

After making the rounds a few times, Tobin said, he was pleased to discover that even on the ranchlands of West Texas, there were those who wanted a little less here or a little more there.

And in most cases, Tobin can grant his patients' requests. His cosmetic surgical center in Abilene offers services ranging from a face lift to breast augmentation to a chemical peel designed to eliminate or reduce lines in the face.

He says the operations currently in vogue include cheekbone elevation — for those who want to look like Bo Derek — and silicone injections in the lips — the Kim Basinger look.

Although flying has always figured among Tobin's priorities, cosmetic surgery was not his first choice of a specialty. While in medical school, he dreamed of finding a cure for cancer, he said.

After graduating from Princeton University in 1960 and attending Baylor Medical College in Houston, Tobin went into the military and requested an assignment where he

would be able to practice head and neck cancer surgery.

Reluctantly, he accepted a post at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene.

"After I tried to pull the very few meagre strings I thought I could pull, all to no avail, it became apparent that I was going to have to settle here," Tobin said.

But he was pleasantly surprised — he liked the city and wanted to stay. And when he got out of the Air Force after two years, that's what he did.

"I liked the atmosphere here, the people were friendly — and at that stage in my life I liked being a big fish in a little bowl," said Tobin, who used his airplane to consult with patients in outlying areas about head and neck cancer surgery.

After 14 years, Tobin decided to try something different. By 1982 he had become well recognized for his reconstructive surgery after cancer. He was invited by a group of cosmetic surgeons to travel to China on a medical exchange.

On the trip to China, Tobin met Richard Webster, a surgeon from Boston who had spent his career developing a unique specialty: cosmetic surgery.

"He had a profound influence on me," Tobin said, "and when I came back from that trip, one of the first things I heard about was this crazy new surgery called liposuction."

Before long, Tobin announced that he was limiting his practice to cosmetic surgery.

"I think that old cliché that we live in a very appearance-oriented society is not just a cliché," Tobin said. "There's an incredible empha-

sis on appearance in this society."

Richard Caleel, president of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgeons, based in Arcadia, Calif., said Tobin has made important contributions to his field.

He was one of the earliest doctors to work with liposuction surgery and to lecture and write on the subject, Caleel said. "And the fact that he flies around the area makes him unique."

Tobin said he has never regretted leaving his cancer practice.

"I think it's a noble calling for doctors to do what I used to do," he said. "But we were fighting a holding battle with cancer — we just don't have the answer. It's very frustrating."

Tobin said he averages about 350 patients a year for surgery at the cosmetic surgical center he began about six years ago in Abilene. Four of his patients have been his wife, Gail, and their three children.

He said, that, as he has become more successful, people are less skeptical of him. When he first started flying around the area, he said people would question why he had to recruit patients in outlying areas if he was a good surgeon.

"One of the nicest things about success is that you don't have to explain yourself, and that's one of the things I've enjoyed most about seeing my practice grow," Tobin said.

"Now when we travel to these cities, instead of having people ask, 'Why does he have to come down here? we're having people say 'Isn't it wonderful that he does?'"

Four Texas metropolitan areas fail EPA pollution standards

By DAVID BRISCOE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government monitoring of air quality showed only slight improvement over last year, with 119 metropolitan areas — including four in Texas — still failing pollution standards, the Environmental Protection Agency said Thursday.

The EPA released lists of cities

that violated ozone or smog limits — a summertime problem — and those that failed carbon monoxide standards that are most difficult to meet in colder months. In Texas, El Paso exceeded government standards in both areas, while the Houston area showed the worst smog problem.

"These lists demonstrate the magnitude of the air pollution problem still remaining in this country," said EPA Deputy Administrator F.

Henry Habicht.

In Texas, El Paso, the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Houston-Galveston-Brazoria area, and Beaumont-Port Arthur area exceeded ozone standards. The Houston area had the worst average for number of days per year over the standard at 12.2, followed by El Paso at 7.9, Beaumont-Port Arthur at 3.7 and Dallas-Fort Worth at 3.7 days per year.

El Paso also exceeded carbon monoxide standards an average of 5 days for the selected year.

Despite some improvements, Habicht said, 133 million people still live in areas exceeding the smog standard and almost 78 million in areas that are over the carbon monoxide limit.

Ninety-six areas failed smog tests and 41 flunked in carbon monoxide monitoring.

"Most major cities in this country are still not meeting at least one of these standards," said Warren Freas, spokesman for the EPA's air quality office.

Eighteen major cities, including El Paso, had violations of both standards, down from 21 last year. The total failing at least one of the standards last year was 124. The new lists cover actual monitoring of air quality in major urban areas for 1987 through 1989.

The lists are used by the EPA to determine whether state clean air plans can be approved. The EPA said it would use the lists to deter-

mine any new requirements that cities must meet under the Clean Air Act being worked out by a House-Senate conference committee.

Cities that appear on the lists can be required to increase auto emissions inspections, require cleaner fuel and take other steps to cut down on pollution.

Some cities still on one or both of the lists showed some improvement over last year because of anti-pollution measures, particularly Denver, which has required gasoline stations to sell oxygenated fuel which burns cleaner, the EPA's Freas said.

Denver went from 29 days of violations four years ago to three during the past winter, he said.

Smog, caused by the interaction of sunlight and chemicals emitted from automobiles and a variety of sources, can cause eye irritations and respiratory problems.

Carbon monoxide, primarily from motor vehicles, can affect the heart and brain by reducing the amount of oxygen that gets to human tissues.

The allowable content in the air is different for each pollutant: 0.12 parts per million for smog and 9 parts per million for carbon monoxide.

The 18 areas on both lists included the nation's largest cities. More than a third are in California: Los Angeles, San Francisco-Oakland, Fresno, Modesto, Sacramento, San

OZONE	
WASHINGTON (AP) — Here is a list of the Texas metropolitan areas not meeting the national air quality standard of 0.12 parts per million for ozone and the average number of days they exceeded the standard per year from 1987 to 1989.	
EPA Region VI	
Beaumont-Port Arthur	3.7
Dallas-Fort Worth	3.5
El Paso	7.9
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria	12.2

CARBON MONOXIDE	
WASHINGTON (AP) — Here is a list of Texas metropolitan areas not meeting the national air quality standard of 9 parts per million for carbon monoxide in 1988-1989 and the number of times they exceeded the standard in one selected year.	
EPA Region VI	
El Paso	5

Newcomer Garth Brooks leads Country Music Assn. finalists

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Newcomer Garth Brooks leads the finalists for 1990 Country Music Association awards with five nominations, the association announced today.

Brooks is nominated for male vocalist of the year, single and song of the year for "If Tomorrow Never Comes," music video of the year for "The Dance" and the Horizon Award for career development.

The 27-year-old singer-songwriter-guitarist has been recording only for a year. He has lived in Nashville for just three years and before that he was an Oklahoma State University student.

For the top award, entertainer of the year, finalists are Clint Black, Kathy Mattea, Ricky Van Shelton, 1989 winner George Strait and Randy Travis.

Travis, who has dominated country music awards the last five years, failed to win a nomination as top male vocalist. Those went to Black, Rodney Crowell, Shelton and Strait as well as Brooks.

Finalists for top female vocalist are Patty Loveless, Mattea, Reba McEntire, Lorrie Morgan and Tanya Tucker.

Winners will be announced during a nationally televised show Oct. 8. Finalists and winners are chosen by the 6,000 members of the Country Music Association.

Other finalists for single of the year are "Here in the Real World" by Alan Jackson, "Killin' Time" by Black, "When I Call Your Name" by Vince Gill and "Where've You

Been" by Mattea.

Finalists for No. 1 album are "Here in the Real World" by Jackson, "I Wonder Do You Think of Me" by the late Keith Whitley, "Livin' It Up" by Strait, "Pickin' on Nashville" by the Kentucky Headhunters and "RVS III" by Shelton.

Song of the year finalists, besides Brooks, are "Here in the Real World" by Jackson and Mark Irwin, "Killin' Time" by Black and Hayden Nicholas, "When I Call Your Name" by Gill and Tim DuBois and "Where've You Been" by Jon Vezner and Don Henry. This category is for songwriters.

For vocal duo of the year, finalists are Baillie & the Boys, the Bellamy Brothers, Foster & Lloyd, the Judds and Sweethearts of the Rodeo.

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