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Iraq says foreigners moved to vital military targets

By LISA GENASCI
Associated Press Writer

Iraq said today it had moved Western detainees to vital military targets, making good on its threat to use them as human shields against a potential American attack.

The official Iraqi News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, quoted a spokesman for the Iraqi National Council as saying:

"Iraq's foreign guests have been in fact moved to all vital installations and military targets. They have been provided with all modern facilities and they are all in good physical condition."

The message came after Iraq warned its own people not to hide foreigners or they would face the "severest punishment."

Also today, two senior U.N. officials headed for Baghdad to urge Iraq to free foreigners held captive in Kuwait and Iraq. U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein requested the envoys be sent.

President Bush demanded that Iraq release all foreigners detained in Iraq and Kuwait and for the first time referred to them as hostages.

"There can be little doubt that whatever these innocent citizens are called, they are in fact hostages," he said in a speech to war veterans in Baltimore.

He also repeated U.S. demands that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

Bush likened Saddam Hussein to Adolf Hitler, and an Iraqi official also referred to World War II today, reminding the United States that it had once interned members of its own ethnic Japanese population.

"In response to the official American and Western declarations regarding Iraq's hosting of foreigners... We would like to recall that America, during World War II, held about 100,000 of its own citizens of Japanese origin in detention camps to avert a potential Japanese attack on its western coast," said the statement carried by the state-run Iraqi News Agency.

It was attributed to the Speaker of the Iraqi National Council, Sadi Mehdi Saleh.

The United States, meanwhile, picked up another ally in its military thrust against Iraq with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's announcement today that U.S. C-130 cargo transports have begun operating from the United Arab Emirates.

Cheney's statement in Abu Dhabi marked an important show of cooperation from a Gulf nation with inter-

national efforts to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

Also today, OPEC said there was not enough support among its members to call an emergency meeting to consider Saudi Arabia's request to boost oil production.

A brief statement said OPEC's president would meet with some other oil ministers before the end of the month. Saudi Arabia said Saturday it would boost oil production by as much as 2 million barrels a day.

Iraq said today that diplomats who fail to close their missions in Kuwait by Friday will be treated as any other foreign citizen. But in London, the Foreign Office said Britain will attempt to keep an embassy in Kuwait; Austria, Britain, Denmark, Finland, Italy, Sweden, and West Germany said they had no plans to close their missions in Kuwait.

The Iraqi radio message, monitored in Nicosia, warned Iraqi citizens against secretly sheltering foreigners to protect them.

"Hosting a foreigner in an Iraqi place of residence is considered a flagrant violation of the law for which the severest punishments will be given," it said. It said the law applied "with (Iraq's) entire administrative border" — apparently including annexed Kuwait.

On Sunday, Saddam offered to free foreigners if the

United States withdraws its forces from the Persian Gulf region and guarantees the economic embargo will be lifted. U.S. officials dismissed the offer.

Saddam later said he would free citizens of nations that remain neutral in the conflict, including those of Austria, Switzerland, Sweden, Finland and Portugal. They account for only about 600 of the 21,000 foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait.

There was growing international anxiety over the fate of the remaining foreign captives, including 3,000 Americans and 4,000 Britons, held for almost three weeks. In all, there are about 21,000 foreigners in Kuwait and Iraq.

Saddam said Sunday Westerners will be held at vital Iraqi installations to deter U.S. attacks on the facilities.

"Our people are seeking to avert a catastrophe," Saddam said, in comments read on Iraqi television. "The presence of the foreigners with Iraqi families at vital targets might prevent an attack."

Iraqi authorities also ordered Westerners in Kuwait to assemble at hotels or face the consequences.

In other developments:

• The White House said U.S. warships were still

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Bush demands Iraq release all foreigners

By CHRISTOPHER CONNELL
Associated Press Writer

BALTIMORE (AP) — President Bush demanded today that Iraq release all foreigners detained in Iraq and Kuwait, saying "whatever these innocent people are called, they are in fact hostages."

He said a regime that uses civilians as pawns will face the scorn and condemnation of the entire civilized world.

"A half century ago, the world had the chance of stopping a ruthless aggressor — and missed it," Bush said, "and I pledge to you, we will not make that mistake again."

It was not the first time he had likened Iraq's Saddam Hussein to Adolf Hitler, but it was the first time he had used the term "hostages" for the foreigners held by that regime.

About 3,000 Americans and thousands of other foreign citizens now are under Iraqi control, and the Baghdad regime has said some of them will be held at military sites and other potential U.S. targets as shields against air attack.

Bush said the United States will not be intimidated.

Dealing with the foreigners denied the right to leave the crisis zone, Bush told the national convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars:

"We have been reluctant to use the term hostage. But when Saddam Hussain specifically offers to trade the freedom of those citizens of many nations he holds against their will in return for concessions, there can be little doubt that whatever these innocent people are called, they are in fact hostages."

"And I want there to be no misunderstanding. I will hold the government of Iraq responsible for the safety and well being of American citizens being held against their will," Bush said.

A scant 12 hours before the Bush address to about 10,000 veterans, his spokesmen had carefully avoided calling the detained Americans hostages. But Bush dropped the effort, banged the rostrum and said the government of Iraq is responsible for the safety of those it holds.

"Iraq's invasion was more than a military attack on tiny Kuwait, it was a ruthless assault on the very essence of international order and civilized ideals," Bush said. "And now in a further offense against all norms of international behavior, Iraq has imposed restrictions on innocent civilians from many countries."

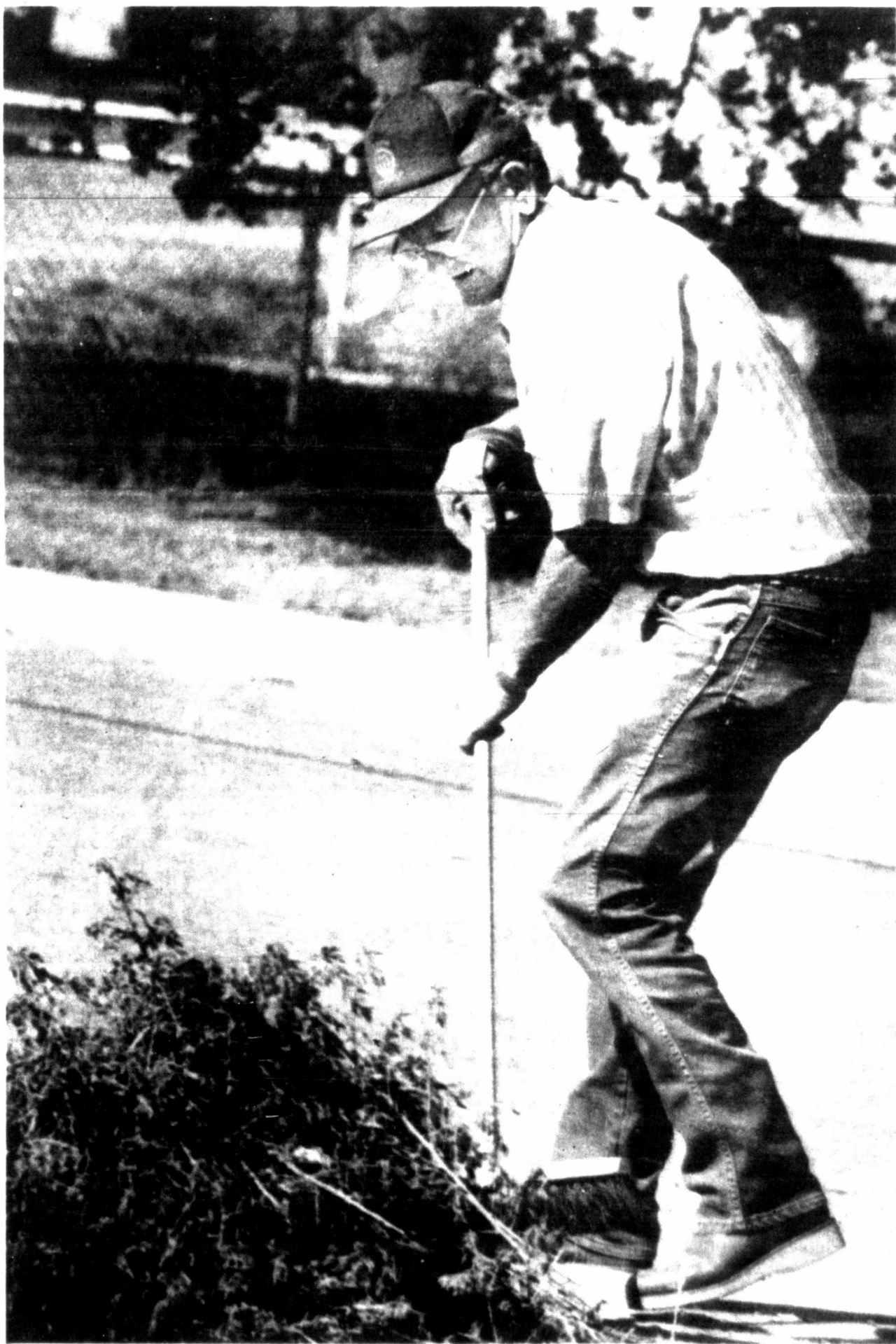
Beyond the demand that Saddam Hussein release the Americans and others, Bush offered no details about how he would gain their freedom.

But he said "America will not be intimidated," and will stand against aggression.

Bush flew to Washington Sunday evening to meet with top advisors on the Persian Gulf crisis, then by Baltimore to the VFW speech. He was returning to Kennebunkport, Maine, later today, to resume his vacation.

The president's VFW appearance was delayed while he talked by telephone with President Turgut Ozal of Turkey and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Weekly sweeping



(Staff photo by Jean Streifman-Ward)

Kenneth York, retired for six years from Cabot Corp., is still working hard for the Pampa Optimist Club after being a member for 25 years. Here he does his weekly sweeping of the parking lot at Optimist Park to help keep the grounds clean.

Americans asked to help in 'Moonwatch'

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here's your chance to be the first person on Earth to spot the new moon when it makes its appearance Tuesday night. Your efforts won't be on a par with the discovery of a new planet, but it will help science all the same.

Scientists know the position of the moon at any given time precisely enough to send six spaceships across 250,000 miles of space and land on the exact lunar spot they chose.

But they can't predict the exact time or geographic location at which the young crescent moon will first be spotted. And that's where you come in.

The U.S. Naval Observatory asks participants in the Moonwatch to be outside where there's a clear, flat western horizon and to watch from about a half hour to an hour after sunset.

"Please do not use binoculars or telescope," the observatory says. "A good horizon is essential since the moon will be best visible when it is roughly 2 degrees to 5 degrees above the true horizon."

Astronomers will compare the Moonwatch observa-

tions with their theoretical calculations to improve their ability to predict the time and location when the moon first becomes visible.

Write to the observatory at 34th and Massachusetts Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20392, about what you saw and when you saw it. A sketch showing the position of the crescent with respect to the horizon will be welcome, the observatory says.

The Naval Observatory had a Moonwatch in 1988 and got information from more than 2,000 observers, ranging in age from 4 to 92 years. Some groups turned the occasion into family outings. Their findings were published in the magazine *Sky and Telescope*.

Be warned. The new moon usually does not appear until the second evening but it can be visible under certain conditions.

There are no prizes, but poets through the ages have praised the benefits of being showered by moonbeams.

"The moon is nothing but a circumambulatory aphrodisiac divinely subsidized to provoke the world into a rising birthrate," wrote Christopher Fry.

The Naval Observatory didn't wax that poetic. It offered only this hope: "May your sky be clear!"

Local oilman discounts increased production call as being unrealistic

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

A local authority on horizontal drilling and the petroleum industry is discounting calls by federal Energy Secretary James Watkins for increased Texas oil production as being based in ignorance.

"A lot of people think we can just turn the spigot and get more oil," said Jerry Guinn, president of Service Fracturing Co., Serico, when asked about Watkins' request to the Texas Railroad Commission.

Guinn said most wells are presently operating at full capacity around the state. He also said reports by state Comptroller Bob Bullock last week that horizontal drilling are bringing in "oil boom" back to the state should be taken in careful context.

"There are some wells in the chalk (South Texas) that are producing 300 barrels a day right now with horizontal drilling," Guinn said, "but the question is, how long will that continue?"

He said even the most successful horizontal drilling operations in the Panhandle would only increase yields from eight to 10 barrels a day to 80 or 100.

Guinn said the current Middle East crisis, which has focused a great deal of new interest on Texas oil, is not the cure-all many people believe for the staggering petroleum industry.

"Anything that happens that raises the price that an oil operator gets for his product at the well head is going to help," Guinn said, "but it's not going to help him with all the speculation that goes on with the futures market. That won't help one bit. In fact, all those fluctuations just give us a black eye with the consumers."

Guinn said reports such as those that aired last week on national television newscasts, showing oilmen wearing "I Love Saddam," only enhance his belief that "we in the oil industry are our own worst enemy."

"Yes, (the Middle East crisis) will help us," he conceded. "We will net about 80 to 83 cents for every dollar the price (of a barrel of oil) goes up over \$18. But it's a shame our industry often gives the wrong impression about what really goes

on. We don't want a war, just because it gets the price of oil up."

Texas oil prices "loved around \$28 a barrel."

Guinn criticized oil companies for raising consumer prices so quickly for petroleum products, but said it is wrong to assume all that money is simply profit, since much of it goes into new research or drilling operations.

Guinn also pointed out that when the price per barrel drops below \$18, a company must absorb those losses.

"There is not any oil company anywhere that is going to horde the dollars," he said. "They are going to plow it back into the economy."

Guinn said as long as oil imports continue to account for over 50 percent of the petroleum used in the United States, oil companies will never have the money to begin exploration for new domestic product. Hence, each time a crisis arises in the Middle East, the current situation will be repeated.

He pointed to the Arab oil embargo of the 1970s as proof, pointing out that Americans learned nothing from that experience and now risk a repeat of oil shortages.

As soon as the current situation is resolved, Guinn said, it is likely imports will again make up the majority of American crude consumption.

Even if horizontal drilling, which remains in the experimental stages here in the Panhandle by two companies, Serico and Future Petroleum, proves to be hugely successful, Guinn said there is no way to return to the "old days" of massive oil production.

"The energy secretary isn't very well informed," he said. "Texas has allowables that we haven't met except in probably less than 5 percent of the wells in the state, excluding the new horizontal wells."

"That means these wells have been producing at full capacity for years," Guinn said.

He stated that the place of horizontal drilling is likely to be improving the oil-based economy and maintaining domestic production of oil wells, rather than returning Texas to being the oil supplier of the world again.

Borger man dies in wreck

SKELLYTOWN — An 18-year-old Borger man was thrown from the vehicle he was driving in an early morning Sunday accident near Skellytown and discovered dead about nine hours later, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety.

According to the report by DPS Trooper Lynn Holland, the accident which claimed the life of Emilio Hernandez Perez, 18, of Borger, occurred at 1 a.m. Sunday, 2.6 miles east of Skellytown on Texas 152 in Carson County.

Holland's report states that Perez was traveling westbound at a "high rate of speed" and ran off the road on the north side. Perez then overcorrected and went into a sideways skid, traveling across both lanes of traffic and running off the south side of the road.

The 1979 Ford pickup rolled

over once before crashing through a fence owned by Glen Dawkins of Pampa. The fence was 65 feet south of Texas 152. The vehicle then rolled three more times and landed in the bottom of a ravine on all four wheels.

Perez, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was ejected from the vehicle and was found about 10:15 a.m. Sunday 182 feet north of the final position of the vehicle in White Deer Creek, according to the accident report. The creek was filled with water from Saturday evening rains.

A DPS spokeswoman said the accident was discovered Sunday morning when the fence owner noticed the fence was torn and was making repairs when he saw the vehicle. He called a Carson County deputy in Skellytown, who in turn notified the DPS.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

TUKE, Virgie Crow - 2 p.m., St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

Obituaries

VIRGIE CROW TUKE

Virgie Crow Tuke, 67, died Saturday, Aug. 18, 1990. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in St. Matthew's Episcopal Church with the Rev. William K. Bailey, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Tuke was born in Waco and had been a Pampa resident since 1954. She was preceded in death by her first husband, W.O. Matejowsky, in May 1972. She married William H. Tuke on Dec. 31, 1980, at Pampa. She was a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church and had served as an altar guild for 10 years and flower chairman for five years. She was a member of the Junior Service League, Good Samaritan Volunteers and had worked in the Coronado Hospital Auxiliary for 25 years and had served on the Pampa Friends of the Library Board of Directors.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Linda Frost of Pampa; a son, Richard Tuke of Bonaire, Antilles; a sister, Lilah Puckett of Richardson; a sister-in-law, Norma Crow of Waco; four grandchildren, three great-granddaughters and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be made to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

BILL WILSON

Bill Wilson, 79, died Saturday, Aug. 18, 1990. Services will be 2 p.m. today at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Rev. Jim Denton, retired Baptist minister, and Rev. Lyndon Glaesman, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Masonic graveside rites will be courtesy of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF & AM at Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Wilson was a longtime Pampa resident. He married Ruby Lookadoo in 1930 in Altus, Okla. She died in 1980. He later married Lil Kucifer. He worked for Phillips Petroleum for 41 years, retiring in 1976. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF & AM.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Darrell Ray Wilson of McPherson, Kan., and Harold Wilson of Little Elm; one daughter, Wanda Lou Devers of Kenai, Alaska; one sister, Emma Turner of Fort Worth; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

RONDELLE 'MAC' W. McELROY SR.

WEST MONROE, La. - Rondelle "Mac" W. McElroy Sr., 68, a former Pampa, Texas, resident, died Aug. 8, 1990, after a lengthy illness. Services were Aug. 10, 1990, at Kilpatrick Funeral Home Chapel in West Monroe with the Rev. Ralph A. Jones, officiating. Burial was in Twin Cities Memorial Gardens.

Mr. McElroy was a member of the Highland Baptist Church, Past Grand Major of Masonic Lodge #419, Shriners Lodge and Disabled American Veterans. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II. He had lived in Pampa, Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Ramsey McElroy of West Monroe; a daughter and son-in-law, Dolores M. Green Windham and Rick Windham of West Monroe; a son, Rondelle Wiley McElroy Jr. of West Monroe; his mother, Dolores Coady McElroy Barnes of Delbi; three sisters, Irene McElroy of Houston, Texas, Lillian Howell of Dallas, Texas, and Lucille Ross of Monroe; his stepmother, Willie Mae McElroy of Pampa, Texas; three grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Association.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following minor accidents in the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Aug. 18

9:45 a.m. - A 1986 Chevrolet driven by Sameer V. Mohan, 16, 2300 Duncan, collided with a legally parked 1985 Isuzu, owned by Dave Wilkinson, Pampa, in the 2600 block of North Comanche. No injuries were reported and no citations were issued.

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Unknown time - An unknown vehicle hit a legally parked 1986 Ford owned by the city of Pampa in the 700 block of North Dwight. Charges are pending.

12:02 a.m. - A 1989 Chevrolet driven by Kenneth Keith Riggsby, 29, McLean, collided with a 1986 Chevrolet driven by James Allison Shook, 25, 1136 Terrace, at 100 E. Brown and 400 S. Cuyler. No injuries were reported. Riggsby was cited for failure to yield right of way turning left and driving while intoxicated.

12:45 a.m. - A 1989 Ford driven by Michael Longo, 35, 1020 Christine, collided with a 1986 Chevrolet driven by Linda Dodd Smith, 47, 2121 Dogwood, in the 1400 block of Duncan. Longo was cited for driving while intoxicated and driving on the wrong side of the roadway. Smith was treated and released from Coronado Hospital.

DPS - Accidents

SATURDAY, Aug. 18

6:50 a.m. - A 1980 Oldsmobile, driven by Jason Brian Bridwell, 19, 520 Yeager, ran into the back of a 1990 Buick driven by Paul Carter, 59, 1420 E. Francis, on U.S. 60, 3.3 miles west of Kingsmill. No injuries were reported. Citations were issued.

SUNDAY, Aug. 19

4:15 p.m. - A 1971 Chevrolet driven by Dale Ray Steel, 32, McLean, was pulling a 14-foot stock trailer with horses, 1.5 miles north of Alanreed on FM 291, when the horses shifted, causing the trailer to whip. Steel lost control and hit a delineator post, and the vehicle and trailer overturned. Citations were issued. Steel was in stable condition in Coronado Hospital this morning with a broken rib. His wife, Rose Helen Steel, 31, McLean, was in stable condition with a broken arm and lacerations. Their daughter, Shaley Rose Steel, 5, reportedly had non-incapacitating injuries, according to DPS reports.

Calendar of events

SINGLES ORGANIZATION

Pampa Singles will meet for a business meeting, potluck supper and games on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Blue Flame Room, 220 N. Ballard. For more information, call 665-8872.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions

Florence Cofer, McLean

Helen Diamond, Pampa

Gertrude Glass, Pampa

Lessie Lewis, Pampa

Huey Blackwell, White Deer

Freda Martin, Pampa

Kathy Lynn Slayton, Wheeler

William Stambaugh, Pampa

Rose Steel, McLean

Dale Ray Steel, McLean

Fred Urbanczyk, White Deer

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Mathis of Pampa, a baby boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lantz Slayton of Wheeler, a baby boy.

Dismissals

Bessie Addington, Pampa

Nadine Arney, Pampa

Stella Everett, Pampa

Matthew Hawkins, Pampa

Lynda Duncan, Pampa

Susan Mathis, Pampa

Henry Matney, Pampa

Loria McGrew, Pampa

Dorothy Westbrook, Shamrock

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Admissions

Othel Putman, Shamrock

Dismissals

Peggy Simpson, McLean

Fern Hiltbrunner, Shamrock

Howard Powell, Montague, Calif.

Othel Putman, Shamrock

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.32	Coca-Cola	42 3/8	up 3/8	
Milo	4.00	Halibut	56 1/4	NC	
Com.	4.42	Ingersoll Rand	44 5/8	dn 3/8	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:					
Ky. Cent. Life	10 1/8	Mapco	41 1/4	NC	
Serco	7	Maxus	12 1/4	NC	
Occidental	24 5/8	McDonald's	28 3/8	up 1/8	
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:					
Magellan	54.59	New Atmos	16 1/2	up 1/8	
Puritan	12.44	Phillips	29 3/8	NC	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.					
Amoco	57	up 3/8	Wal-Mart	28 5/8	up 1/2
Arco	138 7/8	up 1 3/8	New York Gold	409.00	NC
Cabot	31 1/8	dn 1/4	Silver	5.15	up 3/8

Police report

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

SATURDAY, Aug. 18

Gary Niccum, 2113 N. Zimmers, reported criminal mischief at the residence.

Church of the Brethern, 600 N. Frost, reported burglary of a building.

SUNDAY, Aug. 19

Allsup's #77, 500 E. Foster, reported a theft of less than \$20.

Pampa Police Department reported driving while intoxicated in the 1400 block of North Duncan.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 900 block of Murphy.

The city of Pampa reported a hit and run in the 700 block of North Dwight.

The city of Pampa reported criminal mischief in Central Park, causing damage of \$20-200.

Ogden & Sons, 501 W. Foster, reported burglary of a building.

Doris Britt, 1124 Prairie Dr., reported criminal mischief.

Sheri R. Johnston, 1184 Prairie Dr., reported unauthorized use of a motor vehicle from the 200 block of West Brown.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1100 block of Mary Ellen.

Becky Throckmorton, 941 S. Nelson, reported assault with bodily injury.

MONDAY, Aug. 20

Texas Department of Public Safety issued a wanted outside agency report.

Arrests

SUNDAY, Aug. 19

Kenneth Keith Riggsby, 29, McLean, was arrested in the 400 block of South West street on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was released on bond.

Michael Longo, 34, 1020 Christine, was arrested in the 1400 block of Duncan and charged with driving while intoxicated. He was released on bond.

Eliseo Ted Benites, 31, 947 Murphy, was arrested at Henry and Frederick on three DPS warrants. He was released on bond.

Jeffery Davis Brown, 20, 1031 N. Sumner #103, was arrested at 25th and Perryton Parkway on charges of driving while intoxicated, speeding, no proof of liability insurance and failure to identify.

MONDAY, Aug. 20

Becky Lynn Throckmorton, 27, 941 S. Nelson, was arrested at 1 Medical Plaza, on two capias pro fines and two DPS warrants.

DPS - Arrest

SATURDAY, Aug. 18

Charles Morgan, 33, 835 S. Gray, was arrested in the 900 block of South Hobart and charged with driving while intoxicated (first offense) and failure to drive in a single lane.

GRAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SUNDAY, Aug. 19

William M. Davis, 38, 1600 N. Dwight, was arrested on a charge of terroristic threats.

Fires

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Aug. 18

6:06 p.m. - Lightning struck a chimney at the residence of Dan Puckett, 2501 Evergreen. The lightning knocked a few bricks out, but caused no fire. One unit and two firefighters responded.

10:04 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a lightning strike at the Baggerman lease, 14 miles south on Texas 70 and three miles west. The overflow tank was struck by lightning.

SUNDAY, Aug. 19

12:24 a.m. - Three units and five firefighters responded to a small fire beside the residence at 316 N. Christy. A resident was burning insulation off copper wire beside the house.

Courts frustrate parents' efforts to keep 'Dial-a-Porn' from kids

By JAY ARNOLD
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Parents be warned: the government has been frustrated again in its lengthy fight to help you keep "dial-a-porn" messages away from innocent young ears.

In a continuing battle pitting free speech against the government's right to protect kids, courts in New York and San Francisco last week temporarily stayed federal enforcement of new rules designed to make sure the \$2 billion marketplace for phone sex remains an adults-only business.

Until the courts decide on the constitutionality of the 1989 law that mandated the most recent Federal Communications Commission rules, enterprising kids still will be able to shock mom and dad with a mysterious charge on the family phone bill.

"Parents have our full support and our full sympathy," FCC Deputy General Counsel Renee Licht said in an interview last week.

Parents still can ask phone companies to block access to phone sex services, where technically possible. But the New York judge who stayed FCC enforcement of the new rules said only 4 percent of New York's 4.6 million households had asked the phone company for blocking.

Congress and the FCC since 1983 have been trying to erect technological barriers to "indecent," for-pay phone material. Obscene material - of a prurient, sexual nature and without redeeming value - is banned outright on commercial phone, radio and television services.

But the courts have held that adults have a right to hear indecency, which the FCC defines as "patently offensive" depictions or descriptions of sexual material.

The courts also have said the government has a compelling public interest in keeping indecent material away from children. The big problem is how to do that without trampling on the free speech rights of phone sex providers - and the adults who want to call them.

In 1987, following two previous court defeats, the FCC implemented new rules that said phone sex providers would have a defense from prosecution for providing indecent material if they did one of the following: required up-front credit card payment; scrambled their messages or used access codes. The companies also were required to ask phone companies to identify the charges on customers' phone bills.

Those rules were in effect for a short period until Congress, fearing that enterprising youths still could gain access to telephone sex mes-

sages, banned such services outright in April 1988.

But the Supreme Court rejected the ban, saying only obscene material could be banned.

Congress tried again in November 1989, a few months after the FCC fined a California company \$600,000 for transmitting obscene phone messages. The mother of a 16-year-old boy complained that her son had placed more than 280 calls to various phone sex services in a 2 1/2-month period in 1987.

The 1989 law reinstated FCC regulation of indecency. But, under the prodding of Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., Congress added a new wrinkle: phone companies, where possible, must block access to sex message services unless a customer asks in writing to receive them.

Dial-a-porn services immediately labeled the Helms amendment a type of "presubscription" that would drive them out of business, and they sued the government. Several local Bell phone companies told the FCC it was not feasible to selectively block adult services.

Despite these challenges, the FCC readopted the 1987 rules - and the new "reverse blocking" dictum - in June of this year.

The rules had been scheduled to go into effect last Wednesday, but the courts stayed them pending further study.

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Iraq

"shadowing" two Iraqi tankers that ignored warning shots fired by the U.S. vessels on Saturday.

U.S. warships off the United Arab Emirates were challenging by radio practically every commercial ship coursing up and down the Persian Gulf, shipping executives reported today.

Iraq said today that Indonesian and some Argentine citizens may leave.

China's official Xinhua News Agency said the first group of 97 Chinese would be evacuated from Iraq today, with Baghdad's help. Also today, 122 Soviet citizens crossed into Jordan, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported.

The British Foreign Office said today that 82 Britons were taken Sunday by Iraqi authorities from a hotel in Kuwait city. A day earlier, 41 British citizens were taken from the Kuwait International hotel.

Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal arrived in Damascus, Syria today to discuss the Gulf crisis with the Syrian leadership.

Two Dutch Navy frigates were leaving today for the Persian Gulf to join the multinational force arrayed against Iraq. The air defense frigate Witte de With and the standard frigate Pieter Florisz were to take two weeks to reach the region.

Greece also said it would send a frigate.

Iraqi soldiers today continued their withdrawal from occupied Iranian territory, the official Iranian news agency said, freeing up thousands of battle-hardened troops to face U.S. forces. Iraq and Iran were also repatriating prisoners from their eight-year war, which effectively ended with a cease-fire in August of 1988.

Iranian newspapers today attacked the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia. The *Jomhuri Islami* said in an editorial the United States had virtually annexed Saudi Arabia, just as Iraq did Kuwait. But the newspaper stressed that although it opposes the U.S. military presence, it also opposes the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait.

Jury may see tape of alleged beating, rape

DALLAS (AP) - A Dallas jury may be asked to watch the videotape of an attack on a woman that a man on trial for aggravated sexual assault apparently filmed at his apartment.

Jury selection in the aggravated sexual assault trial of Timothy Kehoe, 30, was scheduled to begin today in State District Judge Larry Baraka's court.

If convicted, Kehoe could be sentenced to life in prison and fined up to \$10,000.

Kehoe was expected to plead innocent to the charge before Baraka today.

The videotape was confiscated at Kehoe's apartment by Dallas police.

The woman told police that Kehoe ordered her to take "an unknown white pill."

He then set up a videotape camera in the bedroom, court records show.

As the tape rolled, the woman said Kehoe raped her and forced her to perform various sex acts.

When the woman tried to run, Kehoe punched her several times in the face, she told police.

She said she finally escaped when another man knocked at the front door and Kehoe went to answer it.

The woman said she called police several hours later and gave them Kehoe's address.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR. If your home has brick that need repair, call Harley Knutson. 665-4237. Adv.

BACK TO School Special Perms \$25.00. Kids hair cut \$6.00 Shear Elegance Family Salon. 400 N. Cuyler, 669-9579. Adv.

COMEDY NIGHT, Tuesday 21st, 8:30 p.m. Robert York and Franco. Advance reservations a must!! Knight Lites, 618 W. Foster, 665-6482. Adv.

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, partly cloudy with widely scattered thunderstorms, a low in the mid 60s and southerly winds 10-15 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy with isolated afternoon thunderstorms, a high in the low 90s and southerly winds 10-15 mph. Sunday's high was 89; the overnight low was 68.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Partly cloudy with isolated to widely scattered, mainly late afternoon and evening thunderstorms through Tuesday, except mostly clear from the eastern south plains to the Concho Valley. Highs in the 90s with lows tonight from mid 60s to low 70s.

North Texas - Excessive heat advisory south central, north central and northeast through Tuesday. Partly cloudy east with isolated afternoon thunderstorms. Highs in mid 90s to near 103. Fair tonight with lows in the 70s. Mostly sunny Tuesday. Highs in mid 90s to 103.

South Texas - Partly cloudy with widely scattered mainly afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms through Tuesday. Lows in the 70s except low 80s along the

coast. Highs in the 90s except upper 80s immediate coast and near 100 Rio Grande plains.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Wednesday through Friday West Texas - Panhandle, South Plains: Isolated late afternoon and evening thunderstorms, otherwise partly cloudy days and fair nights. Highs low 90s. Lows mid to upper 60s. Permian Basin: Generally fair and dry. Highs low to mid 90s. Lows upper 60s. Concho and Pecos Valley: Generally fair and dry. Highs mid 90s. Lows low 70s. Far West: Partly cloudy with widely scattered late afternoon or evening thunderstorms. Highs lower 90s. Lows upper 60s. Big Bend: Widely scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms, otherwise generally fair. Highs near 90 mountains to near 100 along the Rio Grande. Lows from low 60s mountains to low 70s along the river.

North Texas - West and Central: Hot and dry with little or no chance of rain. Overnight lows in mid 70s. Highs ranging from upper 90s to near 101. East: Warm and humid with isolated afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Overnight lows in low to mid 70s. Highs in mid to upper 90s.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Partly cloudy with warm nights and hot afternoons. Lows in the 70s. Highs in the 90s. Coastal Bend: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows near 80 coast, 70s inland. Highs in the 80s coast, 90s inland. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows near 80 coast, 70s inland. Highs near 90 coast, 90s to near 100 inland. Southeast Texas and Upper Coast: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s. Highs in the 80s coast to the 90s inland.

BORDER STATES

Judge dismisses flurry of citations, OK's sandwich ministry for homeless

FORT WORTH (AP) — A preacher's sandwich ministry for the homeless in downtown Fort Worth on Sunday mornings is OK, says a city judge who threw out more than 80 citations issued to the Rev. W.N. Otwell over the past two years.

Municipal Court Judge Molly Jones, in a nine-page decision on Friday, said the City Council clearly didn't mean covered dish functions, picnics and similar events when it set up an ordinance that forbade operation of a food service establishment without a permit.

She said a city health ordinance Otwell was accused of violating each Sunday morning since Sept. 3, 1988, applies to commercial establishments, not to a volunteer effort such as Otwell's.

Otwell, in addition to his Sunday services at his church about 15 miles southeast of Fort Worth, has preached to the homeless and other people gathered at the Fort Worth Water Gardens each Sunday morning.

Soup, sandwiches and other food prepared by members of Otwell's church are passed out to those at the downtown services.

Another city ordinance that requires health permits for "outdoor public gatherings" applies to events serving more than 1,000 people, not Otwell's gatherings, which feed 100 to 300, the judge said.

Otwell, a controversial minister who several years ago closed his boys school rather than submit to state licensing, said he was overjoyed at the legal victory.

The judicial ruling stems from a three-day evidentiary hearing held last month and follows a 2-year-old dispute in which Otwell spent four days in jail and repeatedly picketed City Hall.

"I think common sense has prevailed," Otwell, 53, said Sunday night. "Any just, moral person would see what we were doing was right. It's being humane. I'm hoping other churches will now get involved."

At the Presbyterian Night Shelter, executive director Andrew Short said his first phone call today would be to the city Health Department to determine whether volunteers may resume the practice of bringing homemade sandwiches to the shelter.

In throwing out the citations against Otwell, the

judge declared she saw nothing in the city's actions to suggest a veiled attempt to deprive Otwell of his constitutional right of freedom of religion, speech and assembly, as Otwell had asserted.

The city attorney's office had said Otwell was giving away food as part of his vocation and therefore had to comply with the city ordinance that generally applies to commercial food distribution.

Otwell's attorney, Robert Flourmoy of Lufkin, said that handing out the food was incidental to Otwell's Sunday's sermons.

The sermons usually precede distribution of the food prepared by Otwell's followers — about 140 congregants who belong to his Heritage Baptist Church. The non-denominational church is on Farm Road 1187 between Rendon and Mansfield.

Flourmoy, whose law firm represents the city of Lufkin, asserted that feeding the homeless was the minister's calling, rather than his vocation. The city had asserted that the word's vocation and calling are synonymous. The judge disagreed.

The judge said such a strict interpretation would make it illegal to share a sandwich with a co-worker, to take a covered dish to a church supper, to bring a meal to an elderly friend or to bake a birthday cake for a neighbor's party.

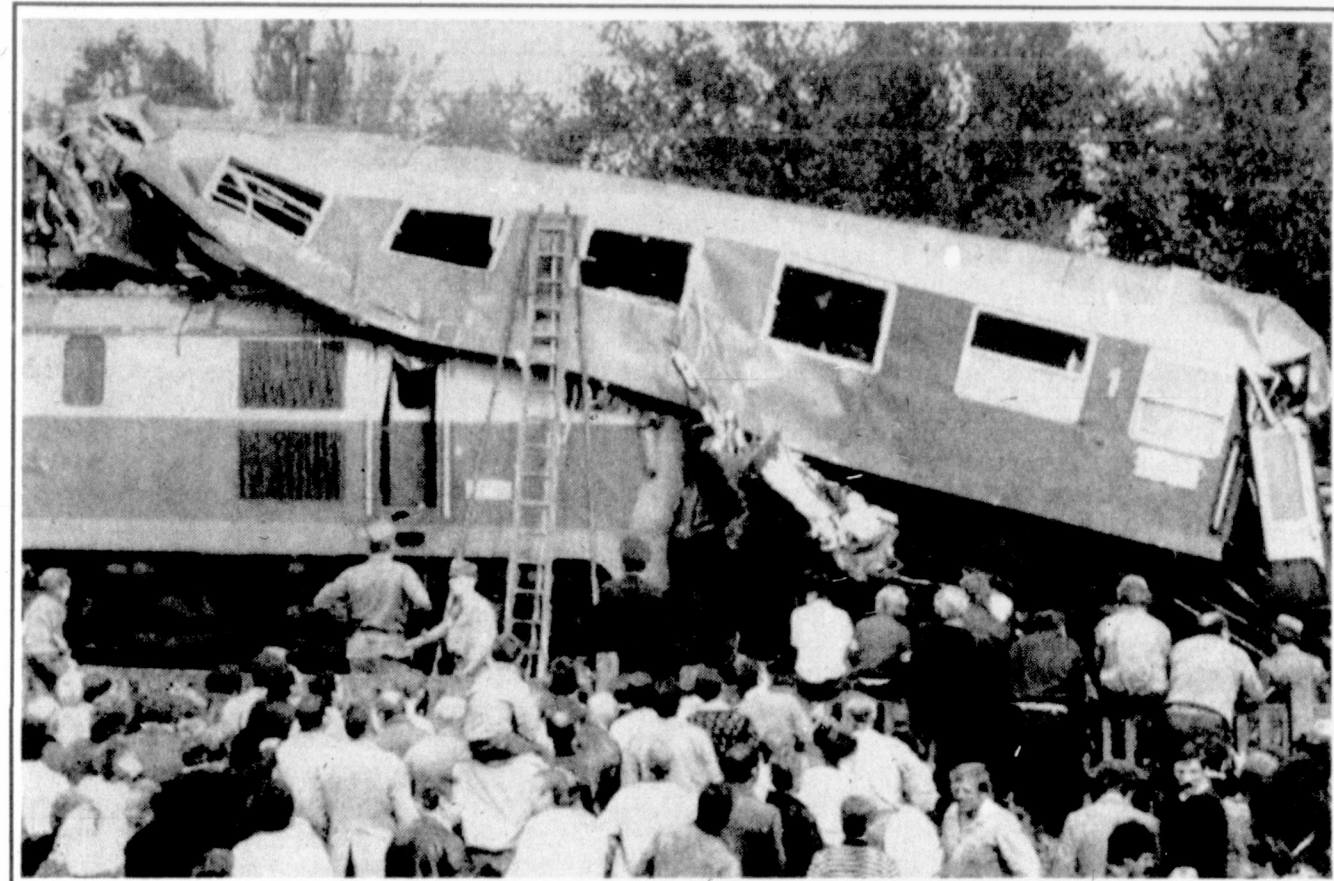
"This court finds it difficult to believe that the City Council, in its adoption of this ordinance, ever contemplated it would have such far-reaching effects," the judge wrote.

Otwell's attorney said Sunday night that he took on the minister's defense for free because he appreciates Otwell's commitment to the homeless.

"What he was doing was noble," Flourmoy said. "I felt the city had overreacted."

Flourmoy is also appealing a \$900 fine levied on Otwell in May by a Municipal Court jury that convicted him of violating the city health ordinance in feeding the homeless.

"I'm assuming the city will recommend its dismissal," Flourmoy said. "The city thought that law would apply to Otwell."



(AP Laserphoto)

Spectators in Warsaw observe the damage done after two trains, traveling in the same direction, collided Monday, killing at least 14 people and injuring many others.

14 killed in train collision in Poland

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — One train plowed into the last car of another train on the outskirts of Warsaw today, killing 14 people and injuring more than 30, the PAP news agency said.

Witnesses said the rear car was crushed and raised off the track by the force of the collision.

One train — en route from the Czechoslovak capital of Prague to Warsaw — crashed into the last car of a train arriving in the capital from southwestern Szklarska Poreba, according to officials quoted by PAP.

The Prague train was moving at about 54 mph when it hit the second train, moving at about 12 mph, PAP said.

Officials said it was not immediately clear what caused the early morning crash, but there was heavy fog and light rain in Warsaw when it happened.

Rescue workers at the scene said the Prague train, the Silesia, might not have seen the signal that caused the first train to slow down.

The crash occurred near the village of Wlochy on Warsaw's southwest edge.

Twenty-two of the injured were hospitalized, Polish radio reported.

All the dead and injured appeared to be on the Szklarska Poreba train.

The force of the collision pushed the domestic train 150 to 200 feet, PAP said.

"The last car was telescoped," said an American Embassy official at the scene. No Americans appeared to be among the dead or injured, he said on condition of anonymity.

Oft-arrested abortion protester remains quietly in Houston jail

HOUSTON (AP) — Joan Elizabeth Andrews has been arrested approximately 200 times in the past 11 years, most recently in Harris County. She considers her long rap sheet a badge of honor in her war against abortion.

Ms. Andrews, 42, has spent the past month in the Harris County Jail, charged with a felony stemming from a July 12 protest outside an abortion clinic.

Supporters call her a martyr. Foes deride her as a fanatic.

Andrews says little on her own behalf. A friend told *The Houston Post* Andrews doesn't want to be disturbed, except in cases of emergency. She refuses all visitors, including her attorney, with whom she talks by telephone.

In 1979, Andrews was a founder of the anti-abortion rescue movement, which physically tries to stop abortions.

"Anyone who still wants to kill a child will have to do it over our bodies. Lives are always saved when we intervene, and most often we go to jail," Andrews said in a letter answering questions put to her by the newspaper.

A resident of Newark, Del., Andrews wrote that she was born in Tennessee and "raised to be a devout Catholic." Rescues are her full-time job, she said.

Andrews spent 2 1/2 years in a Florida prison after being convicted of burglary for participating in a 1986 raid on a Pensacola abortion clinic.

Earlier this year, she spent 78 days in a Vermont jail along with 94 other protesters arrested during a

series of sit-ins at abortion clinics. They were freed after finally giving their names, addresses and birth dates, and allowing themselves to be fingerprinted and photographed.

This time, Andrews and two other protesters are charged with use of a criminal instrument, a third-degree felony that carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

The three were arrested inside the Women's Pavilion after chaining their necks together with bicycle locks.

The other two are Waymon Chunn of Houston and former Las Vegas police officer Chett Gallagher.

State District Judge Brian Rains recently lowered their bail to \$10,000 from \$25,000, but the protesters refuse to leave the jail.

Inside its walls, they are engaging in symbolic protest. They will not even walk into a courtroom, insisting that they be carried in.

Don Treshman of Houston, director of Rescue America, said Andrews and the others have gone into a defenseless mode symbolic of fetuses in the womb.

"When we are dragged into court," Andrews wrote in her letter, "we represent the babies who are not brought into a court of law, and who are killed without due process of law."

Because of their refusal to enter the courtroom under their own power, Rains conducted a hearing for the three in the holding cell of the criminal courts building Aug. 6, said prosecutor Debbie Hawkins.

Margaret Hotze, spokeswoman

for the anti-abortion group Life Advocates, said the three protesters are refusing to cooperate because they feel the U.S. justice system is hypocritical for allowing the killing of unborn children while offering no protection for those trying to stop the killing.

"Even if they lowered her bond to \$1, she wouldn't leave," Ms. Hotze said.

Planned Parenthood spokeswoman Susan Nenney said she has a hard time seeing a connection between Andrews' goal and her actions.

"It is an interesting and indirect way of reducing the number of abortions," Ms. Nenney said. "The money the city and the county spend sustaining her could be used by family planning programs to go a long way toward reducing the number of abortions."

Andrews' jail stays are just "grandstanding attempts to manipulate the media and draw coverage," Nenney said. Houstonians "wouldn't take kindly to people coming in from outside the city and generating the type of harassment she is associated with," Nenney added.

Andrews' attorney, Richard Schmidt, calls the charges against the three ridiculous because a bicycle lock should not qualify as a criminal instrument. He has filed a petition to dismiss the charges. A hearing has been set for Aug. 22.

Assistant-District Attorney Don Stricklin said the protesters used the locks to make it harder to remove them from the clinic. They committed criminal trespass in the process, he said.

Pasadena schools cut niche with tabloid

PASADENA (AP) — A new tabloid has hit the stands in this Houston suburb, but it doesn't contain any stories involving mysterious creatures or gossip about Hollywood stars.

The Pinnacle is a public newsletter produced by the Pasadena Independent School District that highlights student and district achievements, programs, events and educational issues.

It grew from a house publication because the district wanted to improve communication between

educators, students and parents, said district spokesman Kirk Lewis.

"It's a PR (public relations) piece for the district. We make no bones about that," Lewis said. "But we try to be objective by saying there're two sides to an issue. Like with something like last year's bond proposals, we'd say there was opposition but our side would be the primary one presented."

The Pinnacle will remain an internal district publication, Lewis said, with less emphasis on teachers'

knotty career-ladder issues.

It also will be sent home with elementary school students.

The first edition's 12 pages contained color graphics and black-and-white pictures. There was a story on the new school funding bill and back-to-school information.

A district contractor printed 30,000 copies that mostly went to 11 distribution points in Pasadena, South Houston and Houston's South Belt area within the district's boundaries.

Prisoners at Siberian labor camp hijack plane, surrender in Pakistan

By ZAHID HUSSAIN
Associated Press Writer

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — Eleven prisoners from a Siberian labor camp overpowered their guards, hijacked a Soviet jetliner to Pakistan, then surrendered and sought political asylum, officials said.

It was the latest in an unprecedented spate of hijack bids involving Soviet aircraft, at least the 13th in three months.

The Aeroflot Tupolev 154, carrying 29 other passengers and a crew of nine, landed at Karachi International Airport with only five to 15 minutes of fuel remaining, airport officials said. They spoke on condition of anonymity.

The hijackers gave themselves up about two hours after landing, the airport officials said. Authorities said all aboard the commandeered plane appeared to be unharmed.

Authorities did not say whether the hijackers would be given asylum or sent back to the Soviet Union.

The escapees were armed with guns and homemade explosives, and

they had threatened to blow up the plane, said the independent Soviet news agency Interfax.

The episode began Sunday when 15 prisoners were traveling aboard an Aeroflot flight from Neryungry, 3,100 miles east of Moscow, to the nearby city of Yakutsk in eastern Siberia.

They disarmed their guards and took over the plane, forcing it to return to Neryungry, where their labor camp was located, officials said.

There, six prisoners decided to leave the plane, but two more joined the hijackers, said Soviet Interior Ministry spokesman Yuri I. Arshenevsky. The official Soviet news agency Tass said the six convicts who left the plane were ordered to do so.

The hijackers allowed 41 women and children among the remaining 70 passengers to leave the airline in Neryungry, Arshenevsky said.

Then they flew west to Krasnoyarsk in Siberia, where authorities negotiated with them for two hours and allowed them to refuel. The plane flew to Tashkent in Soviet Uzbekistan, and the crew was

replaced with a fresh one, the news agency said.

In Tashkent, the hijackers demanded that the aircraft be allowed to leave the country, and officials held night-long negotiations with them. The authorities allowed the plane to be refueled and leave for Pakistan after the hijackers promised to free the hostages on arrival, Interfax said.

Airport officials in Karachi initially refused to give permission to land but relented after the pilot said he did not have enough fuel to fly to another destination.

There have been at least 13 hijackings or attempted hijackings of Soviet aircraft since late May — mostly by Soviet teen-agers or young men who said they wanted to live in Western countries.

That compares with about 70 such incidents in the 57-year history of the Aeroflot state airline.

At least six made it out of the country, but all were arrested. Soviet media have emphasized the fact that Western countries have been returning the hijackers to the Soviet Union to face charges.

Texas families don't believe Saddam's offer

By DARRYL EWING
Associated Press Writer

Families of Texans detained in Iraq and Kuwait say they have no reason to believe that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will release their loved ones if the United States meets his demands.

Saddam said Sunday through a spokesman that he would free 21,000 Westerners if President Bush guaranteed withdrawal of American forces from Saudi Arabia and rescinded an economic embargo against Iraq. Three thousand Americans are among the Westerners trapped following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

"Why should we believe that?" asked a tearful Marjorie Walterscheid of Jacksboro, who said she's had no word about her husband, Rainard, since last weekend.

"Right now I don't know where he is," she said Sunday. "We shouldn't have sent our military over until we got our people out."

Officials: New required test for students harder

HOUSTON (AP) — The new test Texas high school students must pass to get a diploma is much harder than the old one and may cause test scores to drop statewide, officials say.

State officials calculated that 2 percent of the state's seniors were unable to get diplomas this year because after four tries they still had not passed the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimal Skills.

The TEAMS is being replaced by the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills.

The new test probably will cause scores to drop statewide because it is new and more difficult, said Keith Cruse, the state's director of student assessment.

The percentage of seniors who don't get their diplomas could be higher this year not only because of the harder test but because graduating students for the first time will have to pass a writing test.

Writing tests have proven to be a stumbling block for students in lower grades who found that they were harder than math or reading to master.

When the state Board of Education set a pass-fail cutoff score of 60 percent for the graduation test rather than the 70 percent required on the

I'm critical of what we're doing, and I don't mind letting everyone know that."

Walterscheid, 52, an employee of Santa Fe Drilling Co., has been missing since the invasion.

Other families say they've been under enormous strain because of the potential for U.S.-Iraqi conflict in the Persian Gulf. They spend their days monitoring phones, television news and newspapers for bits and pieces of information.

"We live by the TV now," said Lynda Parker of Vidor, near Beaumont. "I live with a telephone in one hand and the remote control in the other."

Her husband, Bobby, 49, is a Kuwait Petroleum Co. worker also missing since the invasion.

Mrs. Walterscheid said she believes tension in the Persian Gulf will explode into armed conflict between the United States and Iraq in the coming days.

"If it does happen, my husband is going to be dead," she said. "Bush isn't going to back out — unless he

wants to look like a coward. There's no turning back for either side."

Mrs. Parker also doesn't think the president will accept Iraq's latest terms.

"(Saddam has) proven himself to be a liar. I expect President Bush will continue to do what he's doing. I think he should, and I know my husband would feel the same way," Mrs. Parker said.

Saddam's statement, broadcast Sunday on Iraqi television and translated by the Associated Press, was described as an open letter to the families of those trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

"(Saddam's comments) don't surprise me," said Donnita Cole of Odessa, wife of Houston-based OGE Drilling Co. employee John Henry Cole, 50. "I wouldn't trust him. Who could guarantee that he would really release them? ... It's just too iffy."

Mrs. Cole said she has mixed emotions about the United States launching a military strike to rescue the captives. She has two sons in the Army. One is en route to Saudi Arabia and the other is on standby. She also has a son-in-law on standby in the Air Force.

TEAMS, it wasn't a matter of lowering the score but setting a standard on a completely new type of test, Cruse said.

"If anything, we've raised the standards," Cruse told the *Houston Chronicle*.

"So what you are going to see is a lot of kids who are not going to master this test."

Simpler versions will be given in grades 3, 5, 7 and 9.

School officials say the new test is much harder than the TEAMS because it requires more analytical skills.

On the new test:

— The math questions contain

more word problems that require students to rationalize real-life situations.

— The reading test contains longer story passages with more thought-provoking questions.

— The writing test requires students to demonstrate a wider variety of composition skills.

This year, students will have less time to prepare for the tests. The testing dates will all be in October. In past years, all but the graduation tests were given in April.

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Opinion

Saddam's blitzkrieg requires rethinking

No question. The invasion and apparent takeover of Kuwait by the Iraqi regime led by President Saddam Hussein was a blatantly aggressive and barbaric act. It seems to have been inspired both by megalomania — Saddam claims to believe he is destined to rule the Middle East — and economics. Kuwait has twice the proven oil reserves of Iran, and Iraq and other OPEC members have been accusing Kuwait of driving oil prices down by "overproducing" beyond what the predatory cartel wanted it to produce.

Kuwait is the wronged party here, but does that necessarily mean the United States should intervene in this battle? No. It's unlikely that available U.S. forces — including aircraft carriers steaming from the Indian Ocean to the Persian Gulf — would have much impact. And aside from moral outrage at the perfidy of the Saddam regime, the United States has little or no long-term national interest in this latest fight in a region that has been characterized by hostilities that outsiders have great difficulty understanding, let alone affecting.

Symbolic gestures such as freezing Iraqi and Kuwaiti assets in the United States will probably do little harm or good. Huffing and puffing will make our diplomats feel good, and may have some modest impact on Iraq's future actions. But military intervention would be a serious mistake, putting American lives at risk when little of benefit could be expected.

The perhaps cynical truth is that oil will continue to flow from the region. Indeed, if Iraq's major goal was to seize Kuwait's assets to help prop up a faltering Iraqi economy, the Iraqis may even sell the oil they've seized faster (and, surreptitiously, at lower prices?) than the Kuwaitis did. But it's likely that one of Iraq's goals was to jack up the price of Middle Eastern oil, so consumers should be prepared.

The Iraqi barbarity is reason enough to think about several long-term problems. A more-powerful Iraq could create even more turmoil than usual, eventually constituting a threat to Israel that could mean a major war. And the invasion underscores the fact that while we are not necessarily at the mercy of Middle East oil barons, they can affect our lives for the worse.

For that reason, we may want to rethink our attitude toward offshore oil drilling and drilling in some of the fields in the North Slope of Alaska. Those potential sources of energy have been stopped by political pressure related to aesthetic and environmental concerns. But the evidence is that the environmental danger of offshore and Alaskan drilling is slight — much less than the current alternative, carting oil tankers and barges. Ask the people of Galveston Bay.

Aside from venting outrage, there's little the United States should do in the short run. In the long run, the Iraqi action underscores the desirability of making decisions based on signals from the marketplace rather than squawks from the political arena.

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Berry's World



"How about threatening to sic George Steinbrenner on Iraq?"

Hooray for the Albanians ...

WASHINGTON — Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., sought to point a finger of shame the other day. He was whooping it up for ratification of a United Nations convention that 103 nations already have accepted. The United States, he said, now stands almost alone with outcast Albania in failing to approve the accord.

To which scandalous accusation this observer must reply: Hooray for the Albanians! They have more sense than the acquiescent 103. The convention under consideration is the U.N.'s "Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women." Taken as a whole, and read in the most favorable light, the document is a bummer. Albania has the right idea: Kill it.

On second thought, preserve it. This grandiose proposition provides a perfect example of the United Nations in action. It ought to be kept under glass. The convention is high-minded, idealistic, well-intentioned — all of that. But it is characterized by the ingenuously of an innocent child. Its words fly off like Pefer Pan. This is the United Nations cooing in its playpen. If the convention were not so long, it might better be reproduced in needlepoint than in parchment, the better to adorn a nursery wall.

Out of sight, out of mind. The convention on women was approved by the United Nations in November 1979, and signed on behalf of the United States in July 1980. President Carter sent the document to the Senate in November 1980, and there it has languished to this day.

On Aug. 2, the Senate's Committee on Foreign Relations decided to haul the poor thing out of the archives and give it a whirl. All the usual liberals turned out to testify: Rep. Nancy Pelosi of Califor-



James J. Kilpatrick

nia, Sen. Barbara Mikulski of Maryland, Sen. John F. Kerry of Massachusetts, plus a passel of witnesses from B'nai B'rith, the American Bar Association and Amnesty International. You get the picture.

Even Minnesota's Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, a gentleman who normally exhibits good sense, came around to give the convention a plug. The gentleman, one notes, is running for re-election.

To the text! The U.N. convention consists of 30 articles, of which the first 16 have substance. (Articles 17 through 30 are procedural, and have chiefly to do with the formation of a committee of 23 "experts of high moral standing and competence" to oversee progress toward the millennium.)

Article 1 should be read slowly and critically, for here it defines the term, "discrimination against women." This means — slowly, now — "any distinction, exclusion or restriction made on the basis of sex which has the effect or purpose of impairing, or nullifying the recognition, enjoyment or exercise by women, irrespective of their marital status, on a basis of equality of men and women, of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the political, economic, social, cultural, civil or any other field."

That sentence, with its spavined syntax, ought to be taken out and mercifully shot, but let the syntax go. The convention goes on to pledge the signatory parties to do all kinds of things. Congress would be formally bound to prohibit "without delay" all discrimination against women "by any person, organization or enterprise." The convention bans all laws, regulations, "customs and practices" that constitute discrimination.

Under Article 5, Congress must ensure that men and women have equal responsibility for child rearing. All appropriate measures must be taken "to eliminate discrimination against women in the political and public life of the country." Especially in education, but also in the armed forces, men and women must be treated alike. Congress would be obligated to enact laws providing equal pay "for work of equal value." Article 14 would commit the Congress to an elaborate program of benefits for women in rural areas.

Viewed as it must be viewed, in the light of our Constitution, the U.N. convention is patently absurd. Neither Congress nor the states could eliminate acts of wholly personal discrimination. The convention is a sham. It has no more reality than the village built by Marshal Potemkin to deceive his gullible sovereign.

President Carter recognized the convention's shortcomings in 1980. Every administration since then has talked vaguely of indispensable reservations that would have to be attached before the document could be ratified. At the Senate's recent hearing, an administration spokesman made it clear that President Bush has no enthusiasm for ratification. Good for Bush; and, again, good for the recalcitrant Albanians.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Monday, August 20th, the 232nd day of 1990. There are 133 days left in the year.

Fifty years ago, on Aug. 20, 1940, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill paid tribute to the Royal Air Force, saying, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

On this date:
In 1866, President Andrew Johnson formally declared the Civil War over, even though fighting had stopped months earlier.

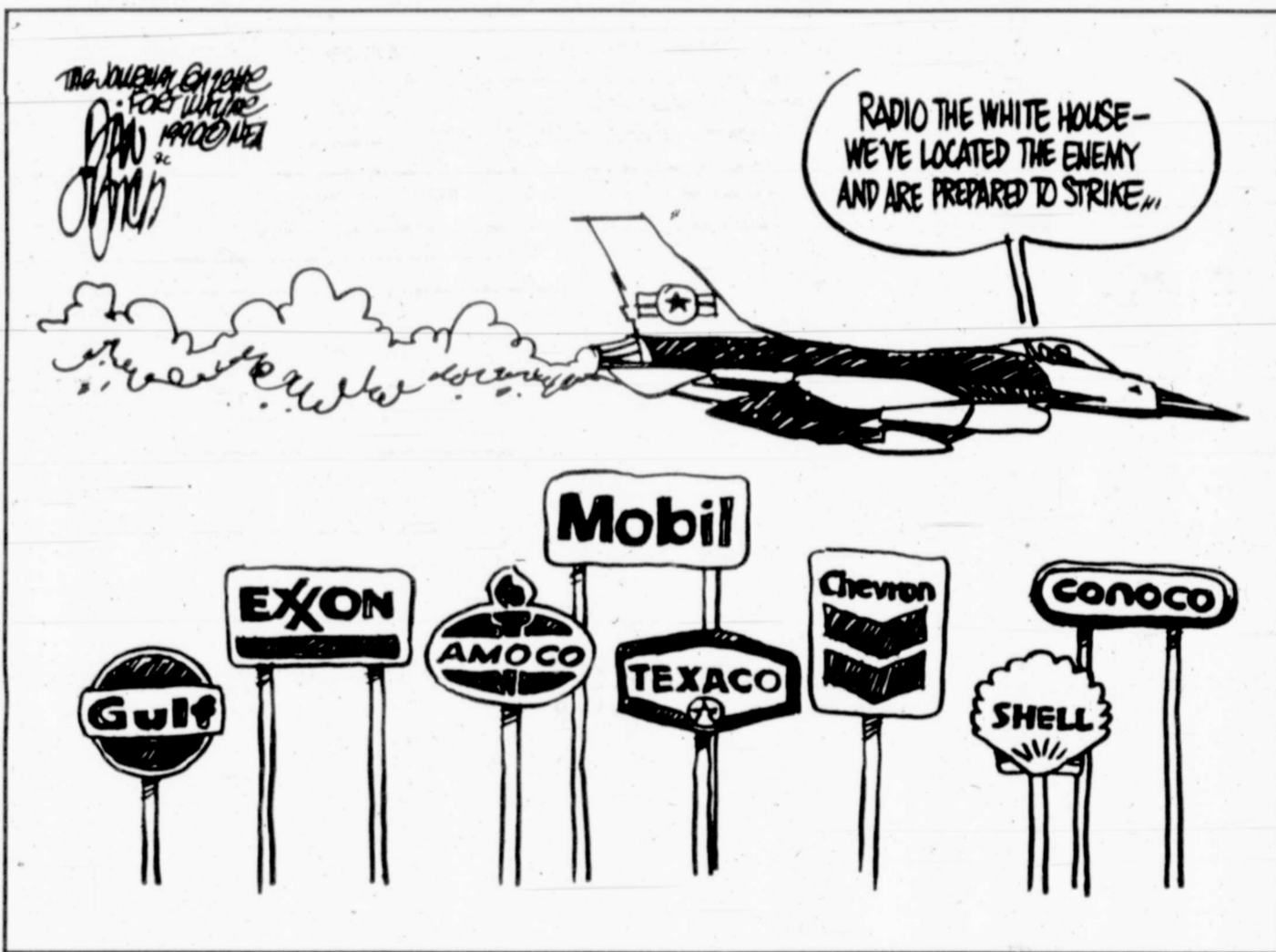
In 1914, German forces occupied Brussels, Belgium, during World War I.

In 1918, Britain opened its offensive on the Western front during World War One.

In 1920, America's first commercial radio station, 8MK in Detroit (later WWJ), began daily broadcasting.

In 1953, the Soviet Union publicly acknowledged it had conducted a test detonation of a hydrogen bomb.

In 1955, hundreds of people were killed in anti-French rioting in Morocco and Algeria.



Out of this world - on Earth

A newspaper receives many invitations, including some weird ones.

I've even been invited more than once to a rendezvous, "to come aboard our spaceship and visit the planet Venus."

Honest! I forwarded those to Geraldo Rivera.

Then the other night I was at dinner in Fort Worth with, among others, Texas' Bass family.

And Ed Bass, No. 2 son of that respected family, invited me to go with him "out of this world."

And I'm going! And I'm taking you with me!

Ed Bass, properly anxious about our planet's pollution, has financed construction of something called "Biosphere 2."

Near Oracle, which is near Tucson, Ariz., he is putting 24 acres under glass. This world in miniature will include rain forest, ocean, marsh, desert, agriculture and human habitat.

This fall, eight humans will be sealed into that environment. Air, water and waste will be recycled.

And they will remain there for two years.

With them will be 3,800 species of plants, bugs and other animals.



Paul Harvey

Each of the biospherians will live in a separate two-level apartment with computer, VCRs, fax machines and phones.

They will be quite in touch with "our" world but otherwise confined to theirs.

The biospherians will be new age pioneers, growing their own food, disposing of their own waste.

But the difference between them and us is that they must be sure that their limited resources are preserved, protected, recycled.

They cannot "use up" the air, land or water and move on. They have to make do with what they have indefinitely.

This experiment will also provide our government with the knowledge we would need to colonize other planets.

Carl Hodges, director of University of Arizona's Environmental Research Lab, said, "If Biosphere 2 causes people to look inward and understand the Earth and to look outward and understand the potential of the universe, it will be the most significant scientific project of all time."

It is not exactly a first. The Soviets have operated spaceship-like biospheres in Siberia since the early 1960s, researching interplanetary flight.

Biologist Clair Folsome of the University of Hawaii has experimented with liter-size airtight ecosystems in which microbial communities survive and evolve. One such has thrived for more than 20 years.

But what's different about what's about to happen in Arizona's "annex" — and what NASA must learn but cannot afford right now — is that we will learn a jillion answers to such vital questions as "how many flowers does it take to keep a hummingbird alive?"

I will be visiting this planet in a bottle before it is sealed.

Earth First! People second? No way

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Every now and then, in an unguarded moment, someone will reveal himself in a few spectacularly ill-chosen words. In that instant, a whole land-scape of controversy may be illuminated, as though by a flash of lightning.

Such a moment occurred recently in the life of Dave Foreman, of the environmentalist organization called Earth First! (exclamation point and all). According to *The New York Times*, Foreman, presumably swept beyond caution by the sheer force of his convictions, declared that humanity is "a cancer on nature." And then, taking debatable liberties with the medical metaphor, he added, "And I am the antibody."

Now, that is a truly extraordinary statement. This man sees himself as defending nature against a deadly enemy — indeed, a "cancer." And what is this cancer? It is nothing less than humanity itself — all of it: the great biomass of mankind.

I am not suggesting that all environmentalists, or even all members of Earth First!, would agree with Foreman's statement. Of course not. But I do suggest that it isn't the basic thrust of his statement, but only the extreme to which he carries it, with which they disagree.

Correctly understood, and in its proper relationship to other equally important values, environmentalism is a cause which all thoughtful people will support. Man's activities on this planet have reached a point where they are beginning to trench on important ecological relationships, in ways not always recognized or fully understood. It is essential that we learn the consequences of our behavior, and modify it where necessary.

But it is difficult to watch people whose interests have always been broadly leftist become obsessed with saving some allegedly imperiled species, without suspecting that their real agenda is still sticking it to the capitalist exploiters. A lot of these people, in other words, had it in for Exxon long before they could find

Prince William Sound on a map. And Weyerhaeuser Lumber has enemies who never heard of the northern spotted owl until very recently.

But, as the by no means unique case of Dave Foreman demonstrates, there are people with more formidable ambitions still. They believe — or perhaps "sense" would better describe the process involved — that the whole technological turn of modern civilization was a mistake: that humanity was best off when life was simpler. They want us to return to that golden age.

This is, of course, Rousseau's "notable savage" all over again. The concept has historically always had a powerful appeal — so powerful that Marie Antoinette and the ladies of her court used to get dressed up as simple milkmaids and go a milking, just to enjoy the sensation.

But Foreman & Co. mean business — they will slow, and even reverse, what most of us would consider human progress, to whatever extent they can.

What is the proper response? It seems to me that we must develop some dependable way of distinguishing what is environmentally sound and desirable from proposals that are politically inspired or just plain flaky. Unfortunately, the Sierra Club won't do; it is so deeply committed on one side of the issue that it is part of the problem rather than part of the solution.

I am thinking of a brand-new organization, composed of such unchallengeable but thoroughly responsible friends of the conservation movement as Judge James Buckley of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. If such a group were to tell me that the northern spotted owl needs and deserves the vast forest preserve that Earth First! is claiming for it, I would be prepared to acquiesce — and so, I suspect, would many businessmen.

But most Americans will draw the line at turning over environmental policy to ecological crackpots who think humanity is "a cancer on nature."

Ann Richards trailing in governor's race but remains upbeat

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Outspent, out-advertised and trailing in the polls, Ann Richards says her bid for governor is doing just fine.

"I feel really good about what's going on both in the campaign and this race. I've really felt up in about the last two weeks," the Democratic nominee said.

"We're running on target, except we've raised more money than I thought we would," she said.

After being barraged for weeks by television commercials from her Republican opponent, oilman-rancher Clayton Williams, Richards finally responded in kind.

On Friday, she began airing her first post-primary TV ad. The hard-hitting spot seeks to portray multi-millionaire Williams as a troubled businessman who misused employees, is mired in debt and lawsuits and wants to keep it all secret.

"Let's look behind the screen on Claytie TV," her ad says.

Williams' aides called the 30-second spot mudslinging and a sign of Richards' desperation.

"The farther she falls behind in the polls, the more bizarre a sideshow her campaign is becoming," said Gordon Hensley, Williams' press secretary. "Mr. Williams is a man of honesty and integrity and the polls are showing that the voters of Texas believe this to be the case."

Almost immediately after Richards' ads appeared, Williams countered. His new 30-second spot, which also started airing Friday, accuses Richards of wrongdoing in the S&L debacle.

The commercial suggests Richards, as state treasurer, assisted S&L executives in getting state deposits, accepted their political contributions and then destroyed records showing where state money was deposited.

Richards said the ad is "totally false ... and Clayton Williams and his campaign staff know it."

Richards survived a brutal primary and runoff but has trailed in the few opinion polls made public since.

The most recent, a Mason Dixon survey of 821 Texans taken Aug. 5-8 for several television stations,



Ann Richards

showed Williams ahead 49 percent-38 percent.

The Democrat said she isn't bothered by such numbers, particularly since Williams has been on-TV almost continuously since June.

"Clayton Williams has spent an enormous amount of money ... probably you're not moving any more

than that and our numbers are holding, then I would say something's wrong on the other end," she said.

But the polls also show a relatively small number of undecided voters, around 13 percent. That prompted Gov. Bill Clements — the only Republican to win the Governor's Mansion in 100 years — to declare the race over already.

And some Texas Democrats have said privately they are worried. With Williams and well-funded U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm atop the Republican ticket, those Democrats have begun wondering just which of their candidates down the ballot could be the "stopper" to a GOP sweep.

Karl Rove, a Republican political consultant, said Richards has failed to offer any message beyond her "New Texas" campaign slogan.

"I'm mystified as to why she's conducted this campaign this way," Rove said. "She's determined to run a vacuum campaign. She's not going to talk about substance or issues, she's going to talk about the 'New Texas.' That's not what people had expected of her."

Richards aides dispute that analysis.

Campaign consultant Glenn Smith said Richards is exposing the real story behind Williams' TV image, talking about his business record and lack of government experience. It's the Republican's first bid for office.

"We have responded with a purely informational ad based on nothing but the facts as reported out of court documents and in the largest Texas daily newspapers," Smith said.

Williams has raised some \$13 million and spent \$11.3 million, according to July 1 campaign finance reports. More than \$6 million of that was his own money.

Richards, the two-term state treasurer, reported raising and spending just under \$6 million.

Television advertising has been Williams' political equivalent of an aircraft carrier — delivering video bombardments anywhere across a huge state with some 20 TV markets.

To secure the GOP nomination, Williams started airing slick, high-dollar commercials six months before the March primary. That

strategy vaulted him to a runaway victory in a seven-candidate field.

Then in June, Williams launched a new air assault with upbeat ads that emphasized family and business experience.

But he also made a few missteps. He proposed contracting out half the state highway department's design work to private engineers, something the department already does. He ran a commercial claiming the state budget had grown from \$4 billion in 1972 to \$48 billion today. The current annual figure is \$22.9 billion.

And the Democrats are blasting Williams' refusal to make public his income tax returns, something not required by state law.

He recently told one newspaper, "It would take a Mack truck to haul it. I'm not going to do it."

Richards quickly sent a Mack truck to his headquarters.

"It dramatizes a real issue in this campaign. And that is that one candidate — Ann Richards — has given her income taxes, has opened her records. And one candidate has absolutely refused," said Bill Cryer, Richards' press secretary.

Funding backlash feared for Hubble mirror maker

By MARCIA DUNN
AP Aerospace Writer

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP) — The company responsible for the Hubble Space Telescope's flawed mirror is building mirrors for another NASA observatory, a \$1.4 billion instrument that will "see" X-rays from the cosmos.

Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc., formerly Perkin-Elmer, has said it is confident it can provide quality mirrors for the Advanced X-Ray Astrophysics Facility, or AXAF.

"Based on technical considerations ... there's no reason whatsoever that the Hubble problems should have anything to do with AXAF," said Charles Pellerin Jr., NASA director of astrophysics.

Even though the two space-based telescopes are worlds apart scientifically and have different optical systems, scientists fear the furor on Capitol Hill over the Hubble error may spread to the AXAF.

"The biggest concern is the negative reaction and the resulting delay in funding," said Stephen Murray of

the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, a principal investigator for the X-ray telescope.

The \$1.5 billion Hubble was released from the shuttle Discovery in April to study stars almost as old as the universe. Two months later, embarrassed NASA officials reported Hubble's images were blurry and that its use would be limited until space-walking astronauts can install a new camera in 1993.

A spacing error of 1.3 millimeters has been found in a measuring instrument used by Perkin-Elmer to grind the mirrors. NASA officials said Thursday thin washers in the device could have caused the error if improperly installed.

Hughes Danbury is using a different polishing method for the X-ray mirrors because of their cylindrical shape, said company spokesman Tom Arconti. Hubble's mirrors were like saucers and built to reflect visible and ultraviolet light.

"It's a whole different set of challenges," Arconti said.

The telescope will study sources of cosmic X-rays, including quasars,

black holes and supernova remnants, to help scientists learn the size and age of the universe. Cosmic X-rays do not penetrate the atmosphere and can't be seen from Earth.

The telescope is scheduled for a shuttle ride in 1997, and work is on schedule. The mirrors are expected to undergo rigorous testing at NASA.

Still, there is no guarantee something won't go wrong, said NASA project scientist Martin Weisskopf. "It has been our experience ... you put something up, it's a miracle if everything works perfectly," he said. "You have to take risks."

More than a third of the \$145 million spent so far on AXAF has gone toward optics, said Fred Wojtalik, project manager for Hubble and AXAF. NASA is requesting \$146 million from Congress for the upcoming fiscal year, \$63 million of that for optics.

In another botched project, mirrors for a \$747 million series of weather satellites being built under NASA supervision have been found to warp in the temperature extremes

of space. But agency officials said the problem has nothing to do with Hubble or AXAF.

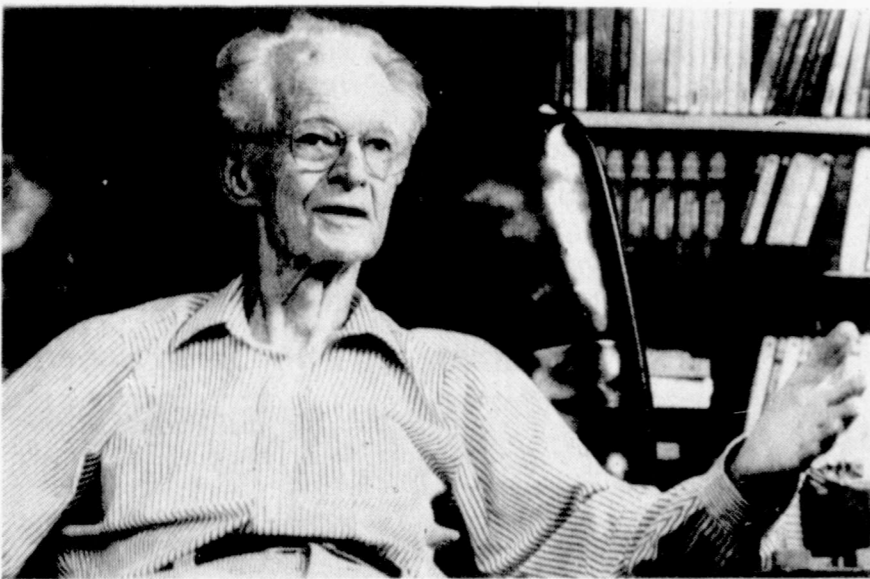
ITT Aerospace Communications Division supplied an inaccurate design to mirror maker Applied Optics Corp. of Sarasota, Fla., said ITT spokesman Donald Walters.

Former NASA historian Alex Roland said such problems are examples of the space agency's budget-based decision making.

"There are supposed to be quality control safeguards built into that system, and my suspicion is some of those steps get cut out," said Roland, now a history professor at Duke University.

AXAF will be the third in the Great Observatories series. Rounding out the planned fleet are the Gamma Ray Observatory and the Space Infrared Telescope Facility.

The \$550 million, mirrorless Gamma Ray Observatory is scheduled to be deployed from the shuttle Atlantis in the spring. The infrared telescope is still in the early planning stages, with launch targeted for 1999 or 2000.



(AP Laserphoto)

B.F. Skinner

Behavioral psychologist B.F. Skinner dead at 86

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Science Writer

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Psychologist B.F. Skinner, who translated his success in training rats and pigeons to push buttons and levers into the theory that human behavior is shaped by reward and punishment, is dead at 86.

Skinner died of leukemia Saturday at Mount Auburn Hospital.

He was known for the "Skinner box," an apparatus for behavior modification experiments on animals.

His 1948 novel *Walden Two* elaborated his belief that human behavior could be manipulated to achieve an ideal world.

"Dr. Skinner was the primary psychologist of the 20th century," said Stanley Graham, president of the American Psychological Association. "He influenced a whole universe of psychologists."

Burrhus Frederic Skinner, known to his friends as Fred, spent most of his career at Harvard.

His behaviorist views were based on his theory that free will and the unconscious mind do not exist and that people make choices solely through environmental triggers. People don't shape the world, he said. The world shapes them.

Despite his influence on generations of students and psychologists, many colleagues disagreed with his theories, especially his vision of a reward-and-punishment-controlled society in which everyone would be "well-behaved" and "happy."

"I can only feel that he was choosing these goals for others, not himself," the psychologist Carl Rogers once said. "I would hate to see Skinner become well-behaved. ... And the most awful fate I can imagine for him would be to have him constantly happy. It is the fact that he is very unhappy about many things which makes me prize him."

Skinner was born in Susquehanna, Pa. He majored in English at Hamilton College in Clinton, N.Y., and briefly tried to become a fiction writer.

"I discovered the unhappy fact that I had nothing to say," he recalled, "and went on to graduate study in psychology, hoping to remedy that shortcoming."

He earned his doctorate from Harvard in 1931. He taught at the

University of Minnesota and Indiana University before joining the Harvard faculty in 1947.

A lifelong tinkerer, his most famous invention was the Skinner box, a soundproof enclosure with buttons or levers inside that animals press to receive food after performing specific tasks. The box provides a precise way to observe, record and measure behavior. It is widely used by psychologists, as well as drug researchers who watch the way animals react to new medicines.

He used it to teach rats, and later pigeons, to perform tricks. Birds learned to play the piano, walk in figure eights, dance and play ping-pong.

During World War II, he rigged up a way for a pigeon to guide a missile to its goal by pecking on an image of the target when it appeared on a screen.

Asked once what he would have done differently if he had been given the chance, he replied:

"Just one thing. I performed one experiment that has never ceased to reverberate. I've been laughed at by enemies and kidded by friends. If I could do it all over again, I'd never teach those pigeons to play ping-pong."

In the 1940s, Skinner introduced the air crib, an invention he thought could revolutionize child rearing. It was less reverently known as the baby box.

The crib was a roomy, insulated, temperature-controlled box with a window. Inside, the baby could sleep and play comfortably without blankets or clothes. Skinner's younger daughter, Deborah, was raised in an air crib for 2 1/2 years.

Skinner's books included *The Behavior of Organisms*, *Verbal Behavior* and *Science and Human Behavior*. His *Walden Two*, about a tightly controlled utopia, was required reading for a generation of college students in the 1960s and '70s.

Skinner faced his mortality without bitterness in an interview last month. "I will be dead in a few months," he said. "But it hasn't given me the slightest anxiety or worry or anything. I always knew I was going to die."

Survivors include his wife, Yvonne, and two daughters.

At his request, no funeral service will be held.

Social Security wants to adopt heart treadmill test

By JEFF BARKER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The administration wants to require hundreds of thousands of people seeking disability pay to take an exercise test that a federal court says is unreliable.

The Social Security Administration has yet to publish plans for the testing program. But a New York state official and a senator from Pennsylvania already are contending it could be unfairly used to exclude deserving applicants.

The test would be used to gauge the severity of heart disorders. The administration expects thousands of people — who now would qualify for disability benefits — to fail the test.

As a result, the government would save an estimated \$30 million in the first year, and \$220 million a year by 1995.

The Social Security Administration already uses the test in many cases to assess an individual's heart condition.

The test requires applicants to pedal a cycle or walk on a treadmill whose speed or slope is increased. Applicants would qualify for Social Security disability payments averaging \$560 a month only if the ailment is deemed serious enough to prevent them from working.

The proposed regulations would require a treadmill test for every applicant with heart disease who could safely undergo one.

The test would be the "primary, though not exclusive basis" for

evaluating whether people with heart problems can work, SSA Commissioner Gwendolyn King said in a February memorandum to Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan.

SSA wants the change despite a federal appeals court's finding in June that the test often fails to detect one of the most common cardiovascular disorders.

More than 5 million Americans have the disorder, known as ischemia. It accounts for 60 percent of all heart ailments and is characterized by narrowing of the arteries and chest pain.

"Heart disease is one of the most baffling and insidious disabilities to plague humanity," the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York said. "It cannot be diagnosed by simple measures nor cured by any panacea."

Evidence showed that the treadmill test resulted in misdiagnosis of ischemic heart disease more than one-third of the time, the court said.

"An individual who does not show signs of heart disease during a

treadmill test may still be severely disabled from ischemia," it said. "False assessments may occur because treadmill testing does not consider the full range of stresses and exertions that arise at the workplace or in daily living."

The court listed several other procedures it considered more reliable in certain circumstances. It upheld a New York federal court ruling that forbids SSA from denying benefits based solely on the treadmill test when other evidence was available.

The administration may ask the court to reconsider, SSA spokesman Phil Gambino said.

"We disagree with the court's decision because we believe that even currently we won't use the test in exclusion of other medical evidence," Gambino said in an interview last week. "It's only a tool. But it's widely used and recognized as one of the best techniques to assess ability to work."

Medical advancements in recent years mean that more people with heart ailments can work, Gambino

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Four veterans honored with membership in Hall of Fame



Four Panhandle area veterans were inducted into the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame Friday evening in the first presentation sponsored by the Pampa Army Air Field and Veterans of Foreign Wars Museum. The honors were bestowed during a banquet held to coincide with the annual Pampa Army Air Field Reunion Association meetings held over the past

weekend. In photo at upper left, Mike Porter, left, PAAF Reunion Association president, and Gray County Veterans Service Officer John Tripplehorn, right, welcome honoree Bob Izzard of Amarillo, U.S. Air Force captain, retired, and his wife, Kathy Izzard. In photo at upper right, W.C. Ferguson, left, honorary chairman of the Hall of Fame, presents a plaque to

inductee Bob Hite, colonel, U.S. Army Air Corps, of Camden, Ark., and his wife, Portia Hite. In photo at lower left, Tripplehorn, right, presents a plaque for honoree the late Jack H. Osborne of Pampa, lieutenant junior grade, U.S. Naval Reserve, to Mr. Osborne's son, Frank Osborne, while Mr. Osborne's sister, Phoebe Reynolds, accompanies her nephew for

the ceremony. In photo at lower right, inductee James Hart of Pampa, master sergeant, U.S. Army, looks at the plaque presented him by W.W. "Hawk" House of Louisiana, second from left. Hart and House were in the same prisoner of war camp in Chong Song Ni, North Korea. Applauding the honoree are Tripplehorn and his wife, Susan Tripplehorn.

(Staff photos by Deborah Hendrick)



Army mechanics prepare for possible summons to Mideast duty

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - The more than 100 mechanics with the Corpus Christi Army Depot's special operations division are used to being summoned to global hot spots.

The men have been called to more than a dozen countries, most recently during the U.S. operation in Panama last December. With tensions continuing to mount in the Middle East, Saudi Arabia may be on the mechanics' itinerary in the coming weeks.

A week after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the division was alerted that up to 23 of its members should prepare to depart for the Middle East, where U.S. forces are

currently massing. Since then, the Army has embargoed specific information about preparations for a face-off with Iraq's Saddam Hussein, said Ralph Yoder, depot public affairs officer.

The unit's speciality is the repair of American-made aircraft that need attention field mechanics aren't qualified to give.

Frayed ropes, worn-out tires and old mattresses can become standard equipment for the mechanics, who often must make due with what's at hand when they travel around the world to service helicopters.

"You don't have a depot where we go, and sometimes you just have

to improvise," Albert Whitehead, a general aircraft mechanic with the division told the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times*. "You have to be creative - whatever it takes to get it done."

Whitehead, 39, recalled delivering some overhauled helicopters to the Colombian national police. Problems arose, however, when they checked the aircraft out in the small South American country.

"One of the engines was bad," he said. "So we had to replace the engine." An easy task in Corpus Christi, the procedure was much more complicated in the field.

The mechanics hadn't anticipat-

ed having to perform such a major operation on a recently overhauled division and didn't have straps to hoist the engine from its mounts or a stand to put it on."

"We made a sling out of some old ropes," Whitehead said.

"And, instead of an engine stand, we had to set it on some old tires we found in the ditch - we had to improvise."

Twenty-seven-year-old Kenneth Hallmark, another general mechanic, remembered crawling on his hands and knees in Pusan, South Korea, to fix a large rotor blade from a helicopter.

"We had to lay it down on some

old mattresses," he said, because no stand was available. "So we were crawling around on our hands and knees until the job was done."

The Special Operations Division was formed in 1983, said Miguel Ramirez, who leads the group.

As the workload mounted, officials began to formulate a more organized way to go about servicing the helicopters. The idea of a special division resulted, he said.

The group was originally made up of a handful of general mechanics and sheet-metal workers. But, the division rapidly collected additional members - including electronics, electrical avionics and arma-

ment specialists - until it became a force with more than 100 members.

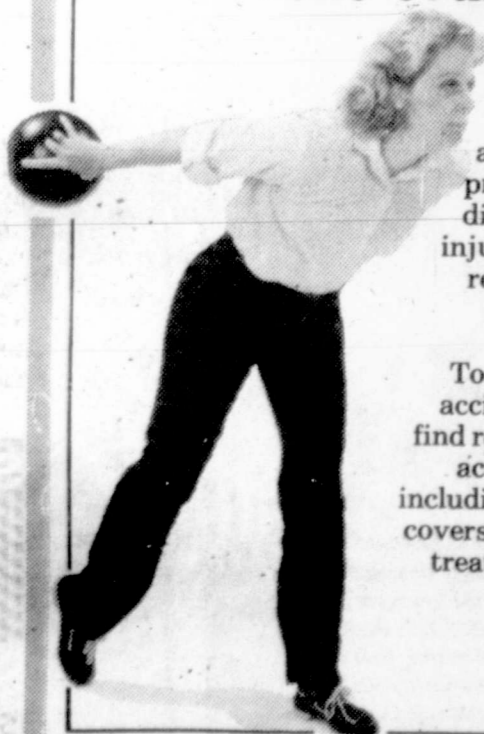
Each member is required to have a passport and be ready to depart for anywhere in the world "with a 24 - to 48-hour notice," Ramirez said.

The group averages 30 domestic trips and 10 overseas excursions a year. Much of the work involves helicopters flown by the Army.

Ramirez said the mechanics work behind the battle lines. Aircraft damaged badly enough to need a depot team's attention are either brought to the workers or abandoned.

"None of the guys has ever been exposed to front-line fire," he said.

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Amanda Nichole Collins, daughter of Rick and Deborah Collins, formerly a resident of the Pampa area, and now living in Burlington, N.C., and granddaughter of Lewis and Veda Collins of Spearman, graduated with honors from Western Alamance High School this spring. She was a member of the National Honor Society, SADD, Spanish Club, Future Business Leaders of America, Who's Who in American High Schools, and the Society of Distinguished American High School Students. She also received the Presidential Academic Fitness Award. Collins was the Spanish Club Homecoming Attendant, an NHS peer tutor, a Senior Superlative



Becky Reed

(Miss Courtney), and Miss Congeniality. Collins will attend the University of Central Florida in Orlando majoring in business administration.
Becky Reed
Becky Reed, daughter of Joe and Janie VanZandt, recently attended the Southern Region 4-H Textile Symposium at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Reed was one of 54 delegates who attended the symposium, hosted by the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service, and sponsored by Guilford Mills, Inc. and textile manufacturing associations. Reed will attend North Carolina State University and major in Textile Chemistry. As a result of her 4-H



Madina Baggerman

activities and career choice, she has been awarded a \$2000 North Carolina 4-H Scholarship and a \$4000 scholarship from the North Carolina State University College of Textiles.
Madina Baggerman
Madina Baggerman has completed the Masters of Science program at Texas Tech with a specialty in Human Factors/Ergonomics. She has accepted employment with the Joyce Institute, a training and consulting firm which addresses occupational safety, health and performance issues. Baggerman will live in the Dallas area.
Baggerman is a graduate of Groom High School and Texas Tech Industrial Engineers Program. She is the daughter of Vernon Baggerman,



John Sansing

and Norma Slagle of Pampa.
John C. Sansing
Airman 1st Class John C. Sansing has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.
During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs, and received special training in human relation. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.
Sansing is a 1988 graduate of Canadian High School, and the son of Mark and Linda Sansing of Canadian.

Convenience foods please consumers

By MARY MacVEAN
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Convenience foods and produce shelves are among the biggest attractions for supermarket shoppers, perhaps showing that while consumers want to put dinner on the table with ease, they are trying to eat well.

Baby boomers with babies are eating at home more, and that gives supermarkets an opportunity to provide takeout food to compete with restaurants, Timothy M. Hammonds, senior vice president of the non-profit trade group the Food Marketing Institute, said at the organization's seminar earlier this month.

Research shows that these parents are saying they no longer have time to eat in restaurants. "Not cooking is becoming a substitute for eating out," he said.

"If you think about the supermarket, we really started 50 years ago as an outlet for manufacturers and farmers. Now we are the purchasing agent for the consumer," Hammonds said. Today's supermarkets carry an average of 25,855 items apiece, according to FMI.

Consumers are becoming increasingly interested in convenience. And, according to Hammonds, con-

venience foods don't come wrapped in all the guilt they once did, leaving consumers feeling that they were not doing all they should to provide good meals.

"That's why the cake mix people had you add that egg," to ease the feelings of guilt for not making the cake from scratch, he said. Now, however, convenience carries another meaning. It "lets you spend more time with your family."

Still, none of this has hurt the sale of produce. Fruit, Hammonds speculated, is considered "nature's convenience food." And consumers still are taking time for vegetables.

In its annual survey of consumers, FMI found that 46 percent of those surveyed buy takeout food at fast-food restaurants, 27 percent at other restaurants and 14 percent at supermarkets.

However, that number has increased steadily since 1987, when 9 percent of shoppers said they bought takeout food at supermarkets.

Food labeling, a big issue in Washington these days as changes are proposed to current regulations, is less of an issue with consumers.

Just 36 percent said they always read beyond the expiration date to the nutrition and ingredient information, though an additional 45 percent to 48 percent said they sometimes read those labels.

Manufacturers' health claims on labels were considered very believable by 8 percent of those surveyed but somewhat believable by 52 percent. The most often-cited reason for skepticism was that the labels don't tell the whole story.

"Only 8 percent said current health claims are very believable. There's a problem out there, folks," Hammonds said.

FMI's survey, taken annually for two decades, questioned 1,005 primary shoppers in a household.

The survey also found that 65 percent of those questioned said their diets could be at least somewhat healthier. Fifty-seven percent of shoppers said they eat more fruits and vegetables than a year ago; 34 percent are eating less meat; 27 percent eat less fat. Only 16 percent said they eat more fiber, and 18 percent said they eat more fish.

Still, taste ranked first among factors influencing supermarket purchases, rated very important by 88 percent of those surveyed. Nutrition was cited by 75 percent and product safety by 71 percent.

Packing nutritional foods is key to teaching children good habits

Picking the right lunch box is important to kids this time of year, but packing the right foods is an essential job for parents all year.

"Children take more than their lunch to school. They take their food habits," says Dr. Corinne Montandon, nutritionist at the Children's Nutrition Research Center and assistant professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "If they learn good eating habits early in life, then children will take those habits to school."

Variety keeps lunch interesting. Including a protein, bread, vegetable, fruit and drink also helps parents pack a healthy lunch.

Meat, poultry or fish, peanut butter, cheese and leftover foods, like pizza, roast beef, or hamburgers, make excellent protein choices.

Many types of bread are available for sandwiches. Montandon suggests whole or cracked wheat, pita bread, french bread, hoagie or

hamburger buns and even tortillas. Hunks of lettuce, sliced cherry tomatoes, carrot, celery or green pepper sticks and radishes or other crunchy vegetables make a good substitute for the often packed bag of chips.

Fresh or canned fruit—apples, oranges, bananas, peaches, fruit cocktail—make good dessert choices.

Many children also enjoy packaged puddings, applesauce and mini-yogurts. On occasion, parents should pack a surprise such as oatmeal cookies, gingerbread or even a piece of birthday cake.

Milk, white or chocolate, is the best drink choice. If brought from home, it should be packaged in a cold thermos. "Chill the thermos in the refrigerator overnight by adding cold water," suggests Montandon. "In the morning pour out the water and add the milk. It will stay colder that way."

For variety, boxed fruit juices work well. Parents should look for

pure fruit juices which are often high in vitamin C and provide other needed vitamins and trace minerals. These boxed drinks can be frozen overnight and will thaw by noon.

Preparation also helps save time. "Lunches can be fixed the night before," says Montandon. "Chopping up extra vegetables for tomorrow's lunch or cooking double the amount of meat for dinner are little time-savers."

Montandon advises lunch packers to include a hand wipe or moistener with the lunch. "Children are often in a hurry and do not take time to wash their hands before lunch," she says. "The moistener at least gives them a chance to wipe off excess soil from their hands."

With a carefully packed lunch, parents provide not only a variety of nourishing foods but also help to reinforce health and nutrition habits being established in the home.

Elementary registration for new students is August 22

Pampa Independent School District recently released this information regarding enrollment for the 1990-91 school year.

New students who have moved to Pampa need to contact the appropriate school campus for enrollment procedure. Principals will be on campus after Aug. 8.

Headstart students need to contact Baker Elementary. Pre-K students need to call Horace Mann Elementary.

Kindergarten children who are five years old before Sept. 1 will be tested for placement during their first two weeks of school. Any student who has not been pre-enrolled will need to bring birth certificate, immunization records and social security number to elementary registration on Wednesday, Aug. 22.

Pre-K through fifth grade students will register Wednesday, Aug. 22 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at elementary campuses. Buses will pick up students at the usual time and will leave at 10:30 a.m. to return students.

Sixth grade orientation is set for 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Aug. 22 at the Pampa Middle School Auditorium. Students will receive schedules and visit each of their assigned classes.

Schedules for students in the seventh and eighth grades will be mailed the week before school starts on Aug. 27.

High school students, grades 9-12, will need to pick up their schedules from the high school Aug. 14-16 between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Telephone numbers for all the schools have been changed because of a new computer system. The new number for Carver Center is 669-4700. For more information regarding enrollment contact Lynda Queen.

Wife smells something fishy about women working at sea

EDITOR'S NOTE: Abby is on a two-week vacation. Following is a selection of some of her favorite past letters.

DEAR ABBY: My husband works for an oil company, offshore seven days and onshore seven days. I'm just a housewife who can't even get to her own husband when he's working offshore, but listen to this, Abby. There are seven females who are now working side by side with the men on that rig, thanks to the government and women's lib!

Those women also eat and sleep under the same roof as the men. My husband says his company is bound by law to hire women, and there's nothing he can do about it.

There are plenty of jobs for decent women on land, so why would a decent woman want to work on an oil rig with a bunch of men? They say these women demanded equal rights. Where the hell are my rights?

My husband says I don't have to worry — that no funny business is going on and the men treat the women just like they were guys. Do you really buy that, Abby?

M.B. FROM TEXAS

DEAR M.B.: Yes, I buy it. And furthermore, any woman who works alongside a man on an oil rig is earning her bread the hard way. If she wanted to cash in on her femininity, I can think of several other jobs she could have chosen.

DEAR ABBY: As many others have said, I never thought I'd be writing a letter to Dear Abby, but I must confess, I don't know where to turn.

Our 17-year-old son has become interested in a girl. We've always wanted him to have girlfriends, but this one might not be good for him. A week ago Saturday, on their first date, they went to a movie. (We let him use the family car.) He came



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

home at 7:45 Sunday morning!

He said that after the movie, he went to her house to watch television and they both fell asleep. Last Saturday night he went out at 7 p.m. and came home at 4:30 Sunday morning. Wouldn't you say that something is drastically wrong with a mother who would allow a 15-year-old girl to keep such hours?

Any advice his father and I give him causes nothing but back talk. We've always had a good relationship with our son until now. What do you suggest?

WORRIED

DEAR WORRIED: I suggest that his father have a man-to-man talk with the boy. Of course the girl's parents should place some restrictions on her with regard to the hours she keeps, but since they do not (or she ignores them), it's up to you to put some on your son. Tell him what time you want him home, and if he doesn't comply, the key to the situation is the one that fits the car.

DEAR ABBY: I have seven kids and a husband I cannot trust around the corner. When he goes out at night, I never know how late he will be coming home — if at all.

I have found lipstick on his handkerchiefs and even on his under-

wear. If I yell at him and say I am going to leave him, he asks where do I think I am going to find a man who will want a woman with seven kids. Then he tells me that he is going to leave me and find a quieter, more understanding woman.

I am a good woman, neat and clean, and folks say I am a good-looker. What can I tell him?

ONE PLUS SEVEN

DEAR ONE: You can tell him that it might be a lot easier for you to find a man who will want you and your seven kids than it will be for him to find a more "quiet and understanding woman" who would want him after he gets through shelling out child support for seven kids.

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

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Autumn care of trees and lawns begins

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Fall Lawn Care
Our weather is beginning to take on a feel like Fall weather is just around the corner. September is the best time to seed cool season grass lawns such as Bluegrass or Fescue. It certainly helps if you have your seedbed prepared ahead of time.

Seedbed preparation includes having the lawn area leveled, soil firmed, free of weeds and junk grass, and fertilized. It is best if you can anticipate when a damp, cool spell of weather is coming and sow your seed just prior to its arrival. A light incorporation of seed is all that is needed. Probably the most important thing is to be able to keep the seeded area fairly damp for a least two to three weeks. This means being able to apply water two or three times per day with light applications until the grass becomes fairly well rooted.

The amount of seed needed for establishment of tall fescue lawns is



For Horticulture

Joe Van Zandt

approximately 8 to 10 pounds of pure live seed per 1,000 square feet. Bluegrass need about 1 to 3 pounds of PLS per 1,000 square feet of area.

Most tall fescue lawns eventually become thin or bare in spots. This condition may be caused by diseases, insects or hot, dry summer conditions. A thinned tall fescue lawn forms clumps and becomes unsightly. To prevent this from occurring, it's usually necessary to overseed fescue lawns in the fall. This must be done every 2 to 4 years, depending on the condition of the lawn.

Mow the lawn at a 1 to 1/2 inch height before applying seeds. Rake the lawn to remove grass clippings and plant debris. Apply starter fertilizers before seeding. Usually 2 to 3 pounds of seeds per 1,000 square feet are ample to rejuvenate the lawn. After the seeds are planted, keep the soil moist the first 2 to 3 weeks.

Cool season junk grasses and weeds can be controlled by an early fall application of herbicides such as Balan, Betasan, Dacthal, or Enide. Some of these junk grasses or weeds that can be prevented include: Henbit, rescue grass, little barley, brome, cheat and several others that cause unsightly appearance during the winter or spring time especially on bermuda grass lawns. However, if you are seeding your lawn, do not apply herbicides pre-emergence as your lawn grasses will also be "controlled." Follow label directions for any pesticide application.

If your lawn has not been fertilized recently, then an early Fall application is in order to promote a stronger grass plant going into the wintertime but don't overfertilize. Usually about 1 to 3 pounds of actual nitrogen or about 3 to 6 pounds of a fertilizer material such as ammonium nitrate (34-0-0) per 1,000 square feet, is very adequate.

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Today's Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- Actress Redgrave
- Alley —
- Actress Sue
- Act of lending
- Boat gear
- Large gray wolf
- Malarial fever
- School org.
- Catcalls
- Genus of rodents
- Emanate
- Go swiftly
- Local
- Embroidery silk
- Correspond
- In progress
- a la mode
- Snapshot, for short
- Collection of

DOWN

- facts
- Wood sorrel
- Furnishings
- Passé
- Lama
- Waxy substance in cork
- French yes
- Coyly
- Egg (comb. form)
- Hooklike parts
- Western hemisphere org.
- Take — view
- Tumult
- Russian river
- Type of fabric
- This (Sp.)
- Calif. time
- Nervous

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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1 Andes animal
2 Dairy product
3 Queasy feeling
4 Compass point
5 Fumbler's exclamation
6 Horse food
7 South Seas sailboat
8 Law deg.
9 Hey!
10 Woodwind player
11 Facial features
19 Prairie State
20 Power to get results
23 Lama's kin
25 Find
27 Vintage
28 Footless
33 Discourages
34 Bring out
36 Wore away
37 Descending
38 Extinguish
40 Actor Leonard —
43 Ring
44 Beasts of burden
45 Future attys.' exam
48 Anger
50 Frothy brew

GEECH By Jerry Bittle

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT TODAY? NOTHING.
YOU DON'T SAY...

THE WIZARD OF ID By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

WHAT CAN I WEAR TO THE KING'S COSTUME PARTY?
...YOU COULD DYE YOUR HAIR RED
YES?
...AND GO AS A BOWLING PIN

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YOU'VE GOT TO BUILD A BRIDGE FOR MOTHER. SHE'S TOO OLD TO JUMP THE RAVINE ANYMORE.
OK, OK!
HOW DO I KNOW THIS THING WILL HOLD ME, BLOWEYES?
LOOK, MOM, THERE ISN'T AN ANT ALIVE THAT THIS BRIDGE WON'T HOLD.
...LIKE I SAID.

MARVIN By Tom Armstrong

MARVIN'S REALLY GROWING LIKE A WEED. HE SURE IS.
I'D BETTER HIDE.
I REMEMBER WHAT DAD DID TO THE DANDELIONS LAST WEEK!!

MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson

"Just step over King Midas."

KIT N' CARLYLE By Larry Wright

CAT FACTS
CONTRARY TO POPULAR THEORY, BIRDS EVOLVED FROM A STRAIN OF CAT THAT WAS PARTICULARLY AVERSE TO WATER.

ALLEY OOP By Dave Graue

HAVE SECURITY CLEAR THIS BAY! THEN SEAL IT OFF SO WE CAN FLOOD IT WITH GAS!
AT ONCE, HIGH ONE!
HEH! HEH! NO MATTER WHERE THE GROUND WALKER AND HIS CLOUD-HOPPING FRIENDS HIDE, THE GAS WILL FIND THEM! HEH! HEH!
C'MON! WE'VE GOTTA GET OUT OF THIS PLACE!

WINTHROP By Dick Cavalli

MY GRANDMOTHER'S COMING TO VISIT US NEXT WEEK.
WHICH GRANDMOTHER IS SHE?
THE ONE WHO KEEPS LOOKING AT ME AND GOING "TSK TSK TSK."

SNAFU By Bruce Beattie

LANDLORD 3-B

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane

"He's only showing us his new dentures? Oh, I thought it was a rent increase."
"I wanna see where Al Capone lived and where the Valentine Massacre was and Eliot Ness' headquarters..."

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THE BORN LOSER By Art Sansom

THIS IS YOURS? I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
THESE BABIES GO FOR 65 GRAND!
ONLY COST ME TEN
WHAT'S THE CATCH? IS IT "HOT"?
THE DOORS OPEN INWARD

FRANK AND ERNEST By Bob Thaves

SORRY, ERNIE... MISSION CONTROL SAYS IT'S ALL RIGHT TO SING "MOON OVER MIAMI"; BUT YOU CAN'T DO MOON OVER MIAMI.

PEANUTS By Charles M. Schultz

I JUST DON'T KNOW HOW TO WRITE A LOVE LETTER
WHAT CAN YOU SAY TO A GIRL THAT SHOWS YOU REALLY LIKE HER?
HOW ABOUT "ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND A COOKIE"?

GARFIELD By Jim Davis

TAKING ODIE FOR A WALK, GARFIELD?
UH-HUH
IS HE AWARE OF IT?

Astro-Graph
by bernice bede osol

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your financial prospects continue to look promising. Profitable developments could ensue from your own efforts or from arrangements set up for you by others. 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) The aspects indicate two important interests could be advanced today. These are matters that are uppermost in your mind, at least for the present.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your evaluations are likely to be much more accurate today than those of your associates in commercial or financial affairs. Listen to what others have to say, but listen to your own thoughts a bit harder.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A brilliant idea might flash through your mind today as to how you can constructively rejuvenate a situation that seemed to have lost all of its luster. Give it a go.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your possibilities for achieving an important objective are very good today, because, in addition to your own motivation and initiative, you'll also have something secret going for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It's important, of course, that you do not lose track of your immediate concerns, but it is also wise at this time to start looking ahead a little.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If at first you don't succeed today, try and try again. You might be denied the first time around, but your success will come through persistence.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your decision making abilities are better than usual today, so don't dodge difficult decisions. Your judgment will be much better than the people for whom you go to for advice.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even though you might have some additional factors with which to contend today they will not be unmanageable. If you set your mind to it, you can handle both negative and positive developments.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your attitude is likely to be gregarious and easy going today, but you can also be serious and responsible when situations warrant it. Your flexibility will impress your companions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try to focus your efforts today on situations that promise advantages for you in the material sense. You could be luckiest when going for dollars or dimes.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Persons with whom you'll be involved today will appreciate the fact you do not take the promises or commitments you make lightly. If you say you'll do it, consider it done.

Sports

Curtain coming down on Steinbrenner's reign

By RONALD BLUM
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — As his hours dwindled to just a few, George Steinbrenner sneaked out of the ballpark he had ruled like a dictator for 17 1/2 years.

He entered proudly in 1973, declaring he would restore the most famous franchise in American sports.

That he did. But now he was exiting via a loading dock in right field to avoid answering questions about his end.

He did not attend the New York Yankees' 3-1 victory over Seattle on Sunday. He arrived at Yankee Stadium about two hours after the game ended.

Already, his imminent exile was

evident.

"The man's got to clean out his desk," joked a security guard after the Boss blew in.

All day long, people were wondering if there would be a Famous Final Scene. Reporters had searched the bowels of the ballpark, waiting for Steinbrenner to surface, much like the expeditions to photograph the Loch Ness monster.

Would he fire the general manager? Would he fire a hot dog vendor? Would he come in barking orders one last time, leaving the Yankee staff in a final daze?

Steinbrenner must resign as the team's managing general partner effective tonight, unless a federal judge in Cleveland extends the deadline by issuing a temporary restraining order against Commis-

"I think 'normal' is not a word that's going to be used too much in the future. Short or long-term. Ask me in two years."

— Yankees' pitcher Dave Righetti

sioner Fay Vincent.

About 45 minutes before the start of Sunday's game, Steinbrenner sang his signature song. He made a managerial move.

But — surprise! — he wasn't playing baseball's most famous Terminator this day. He was extending the contract of Stump Merrill for two years.

Merrill found out when the telephone rang in his office, the temporary work place of so many in the past two decades. It was you-know-who.

"He asked me if there was anyone else in my office," Merrill said. "I said, 'No.' He said, 'We're going to extend your contract through 1992.'"

Merrill said he inquired as to the owner's health on his penultimate day as the Boss.

"I asked him how he was doing," Merrill said, "and he said, 'Very, very well.'"

Steinbrenner looked a bit angry when he got to the ballpark. Perhaps it was the realization that the gig was up.

He was in the ballpark for about two hours. He met with Pete Peterson, the current GM, but all Peterson would say was: "I have no comment."

Some suspect that Peterson may be shifted or removed today, but he wasn't dropping hints.

Whatever happens, it will come out sometime today. Whether the deadline is midnight in Manhattan or midnight in Maui is unclear.

The resignation letter must arrive at the commissioner's office by 5 p.m. in New York. But Rich Levin, the baseball spokesman, said: "It can be effective at midnight the last place on earth it's midnight."

So as Tuesday dawns over the East Coast, the Boss will be history. After 6,249 days, the curtain will come down on the reign of George

III. Soon, Broadway impresario Robert E. Nederlander will be in charge. But would the Phantom of the Ballpark appear on his final day?

There were various jokes about his last hours. Was he talking to the portraits of deceased Yankee greats? Did he ask his aides to get down on their knees and pray with him?

Perhaps the extension of Merrill's contract was a sign that normalcy would return to the team after 17 1/2 years of tumult.

"We'll see," said Dave Righetti, the most veteran Yankee player. "They said that when Bucky (Dent) was hired. They said that when Dallas (Green) was hired. I think 'normal' is not a word that's going to be used too much in the future. Short or long-term. Ask me in two years."

Sweep gives Pirates boost

By The Associated Press

The weekend showdown between the National League division leaders turned out to be quite a mismatch.

Pittsburgh completed its first four-game sweep ever at Riverfront Stadium on Sunday as Bobby Bonilla hit a three-run homer and Doug Drabek won his 16th game to help the Pirates beat the Cincinnati Reds 6-3.

"Whenever you're playing the other division leader, especially a four-game series, and you're able to sweep when the second-place team is right on your tail, it should be a big boost," Drabek said.

NL roundup

Drabek (16-5) gave up one run and eight hits over 6 2-3 innings before Stan Belinda got him out of a bases-loaded jam in the seventh. Belinda finished, giving up Jeff Reed's two-run homer in the ninth, for his seventh save.

Andy Van Slyke had a two-run single for the Pirates and Bobby Bonilla hit a three-run homer.

"There's no question there was more pressure on us," Bonilla said. "We came in only a half-game up. We had to play well. And we knew coming in they were nine games up. Our concentration had to be there."

Elsewhere, it was Montreal 2, Los Angeles 1; St. Louis 7, Houston 3; Chicago 5, Atlanta 4; Philadelphia 3, San Diego 2, and New York 10, San Francisco 9.

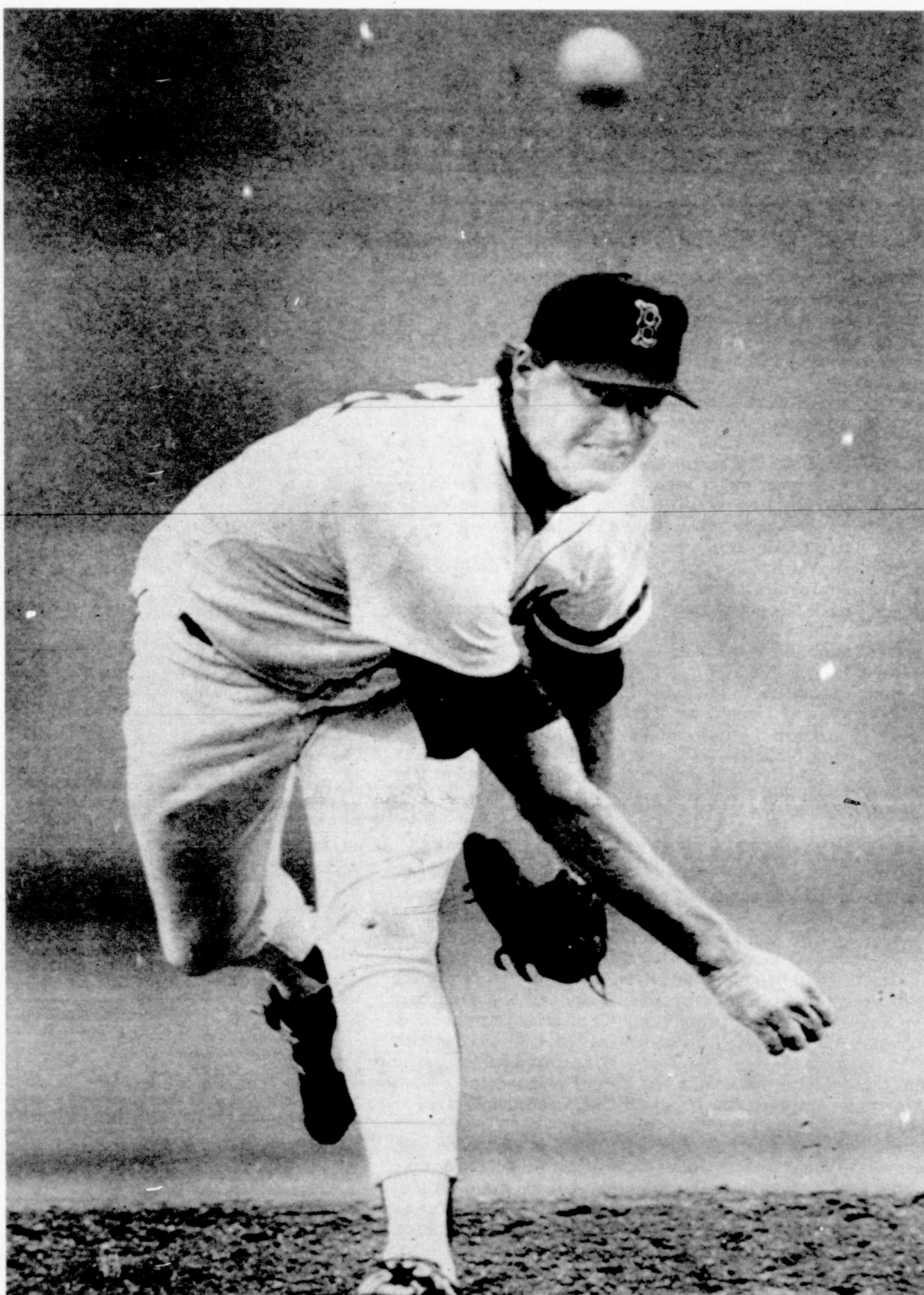
Jack Armstrong (12-9) lost. He gave up five runs, eight hits and seven walks in six innings.

With the Pirates leading 2-1 in the sixth, Wally Backman and Rafael Belliard singled. One out later, Bonilla hit his 28th homer.

Mets 10, Giants 9

Kevin McReynolds homered twice and drove in six runs to break a long slump as New York, despite another poor outing from Dwight Gooden, held on to beat San Francisco.

Gooden (13-6) pitched 5 1-3 innings, allowing six runs, seven hits and five walks. After being staked to a 10-2 lead in the sixth, he gave up a grand slam to pinch-hitter Ernest Riles as the Giants rallied.



Red Sox pitcher Roger Clemens launches a fastball during first-inning action Sunday. Clemens scattered eight hits in picking up a 4-1 win over California.

Clemens notches sixth straight win

By The Associated Press

As far as the Boston Red Sox are concerned, there's no question things start and stop with Roger Clemens. Mostly stop.

In his six-year career in Boston, Clemens has been the epitome of the term "stopper," and Sunday's 4-1 victory over the California Angels was just another example of his amazing consistency.

The victory raised Clemens' record to 18-5 in 27 starts this year — 11-2 after a Boston loss. Over his major league career, he has a 67-17 record following a Red Sox loss.

"He really didn't have his great stuff, but he's Roger Clemens, superstar," Boston catcher John Marzano said after Clemens allowed eight hits in seven innings. "He doesn't have to have his great stuff to win a ballgame."

AL roundup

Elsewhere in the American League, it was Toronto 9, Minnesota 1; Baltimore 3, Oakland 2; New York 3, Seattle 1; Milwaukee 7, Kansas City 2, and Chicago 4, Texas 2. The Cleveland-Detroit game was rained out.

Clemens struck out eight and didn't issue a walk before giving way to Jeff Gray at the start of the eighth. Gray checked the Angels in the final two innings, earning his third save as California's five-game winning streak ended.

The Red Sox staked Clemens to an early 4-0 lead, capitalizing on two California errors in a decisive three-run second against Jim Abbott (8-11). Jody Reed had three hits and a walk, scored two runs and drove in one in Boston's second victory in six games.

Clemens lowered his major league-leading earned run average to 2.04. He also increased his league-leading strikeout total to 183.

Blue Jays 9, Twins 1

Mookie Wilson's two-run double and two Minnesota errors fueled a six-run seventh inning, lifting Toronto over the Twins behind David Wells' strong pitching. Wilson also contributed a two-run

triple in a three-run eighth.

Wells (9-3) gave up five hits in eight innings, struck out five and walked two before giving way to Bob MacDonald in the ninth.

Orioles 3, Athletics 2

Anthony Telford gave up one hit over seven innings in his major-league debut.

Cal Ripken and Joe Orsulak homered for the Orioles.

Telford, called up from Class AA Hagerstown on Saturday, had a no-hitter for 4 2-3 innings before Terry Steinbach singled. Telford, a 24-year-old right-hander drafted by Baltimore in the fourth round in 1987, walked four and did not allow a runner past first base.

Both Curt Schilling and Gregg Olson pitched an inning in relief, with Olson gaining his 28th save after giving up a two-run homer in the ninth to Mark McGwire.

Yankees 3, Mariners 1

Right-hander Tim Leary gave New York seven strong innings and Bob Geren hit a two-run homer in the fifth.

Leary (6-16) gave up one run on six hits.

Lee Guetterman and Dave Righetti finished up, with Righetti getting the final three outs for his 26th save. Matt Young (6-13) was the loser.

Brewers 7, Royals 2

Darryl Hamilton singled twice, stole two bases and scored two runs to support the three-hit pitching of Mark Knudson.

Knudson (9-6) struck out five and walked one.

George Brett had two of Kansas City's hits and drove in both runs, one with his 10th homer.

The Brewers put the game away with a four-run fourth off Andy McGaffigan (3-1).

White Sox 4, Rangers 2

Ron Karkovice knocked in two runs with a sacrifice fly and a single, and Bobby Thigpen recorded his major league-leading 40th save.

Rookie Wayne Edwards evened his record at 2-2. Edwards went five innings, holding Texas to one run on five hits.

Shula disappointed with Dolphins' 23-14 exhibition loss to Eagles

By The Associated Press

Where NFL exhibition games are concerned, it's not whether you win or lose but how you play the game.

And according to Coach Don Shula, although the score was fairly respectable, the Miami Dolphins can't play much worse than they did Saturday night in losing to the Philadelphia Eagles 23-14.

"It was about as bad as it can get," Shula said.

The Eagles had a 77-34 advantage in plays and controlled the ball for almost 42 minutes.

In other Saturday games, it was Chicago 17, Phoenix 9; Green Bay 27, New Orleans 13; Los Angeles Raiders 16, Dallas 14; Atlanta 34, Cincinnati 17; Tampa Bay 44, New England 10; New York Giants 13, Houston 10; New York Jets 20, Kansas City 0; San Diego 30, Los Angeles Rams 27.

On Sunday night, Minnesota beat Cleveland 23-20. Friday night, it was Detroit 24, Buffalo 13; Washington 27, Pittsburgh 24; Seattle 13, Indianapolis 10.

The Dolphins had the ball for only 11 plays in the first half while Philadelphia scored on three long drives. Miami (0-2) has lost a club-record seven consecutive preseason games since 1988.

Shula is attempting to make the Dolphins bigger and stronger so they can compete against physical

teams like Philadelphia that have manhandled them in recent years. It hasn't surfaced in preseason losses

to Chicago and Philadelphia.

For the Eagles, Randall Cunningham made a first-half appearance

and completed 13 of 19 passes for 144 yards and directed two long touchdown drives. The Dolphins

kept Dan Marino on the sidelines and used Scott Secules (6-of-9 for 133 yards and a 70-yard TD pass to Mark Duper) and rookie Scott Mitchell (4-for-6 for 41 yards and a TD).

Vikings 23, Browns 20

Allen Rice burst 11 yards up the middle on a draw play with 4:27 left for the winning touchdown.

Bears 17, Cardinals 9

Rookie running back Johnny Bailey, college football's all-time leading rusher, scored two third-quarter touchdowns in his NFL debut.

Packers 27, Saints 13

Anthony Dilweg put some pressure on holdout Don Majkowski, passing for 161 yards in one half. The second-year quarterback from Duke completed 12 of 17 passes and was 5-for-7 for 44 yards during a 93-yard second-period drive that gave the Packers the lead for good on Jeff Query's 32-yard run on a reverse.

Raiders 16, Cowboys 14

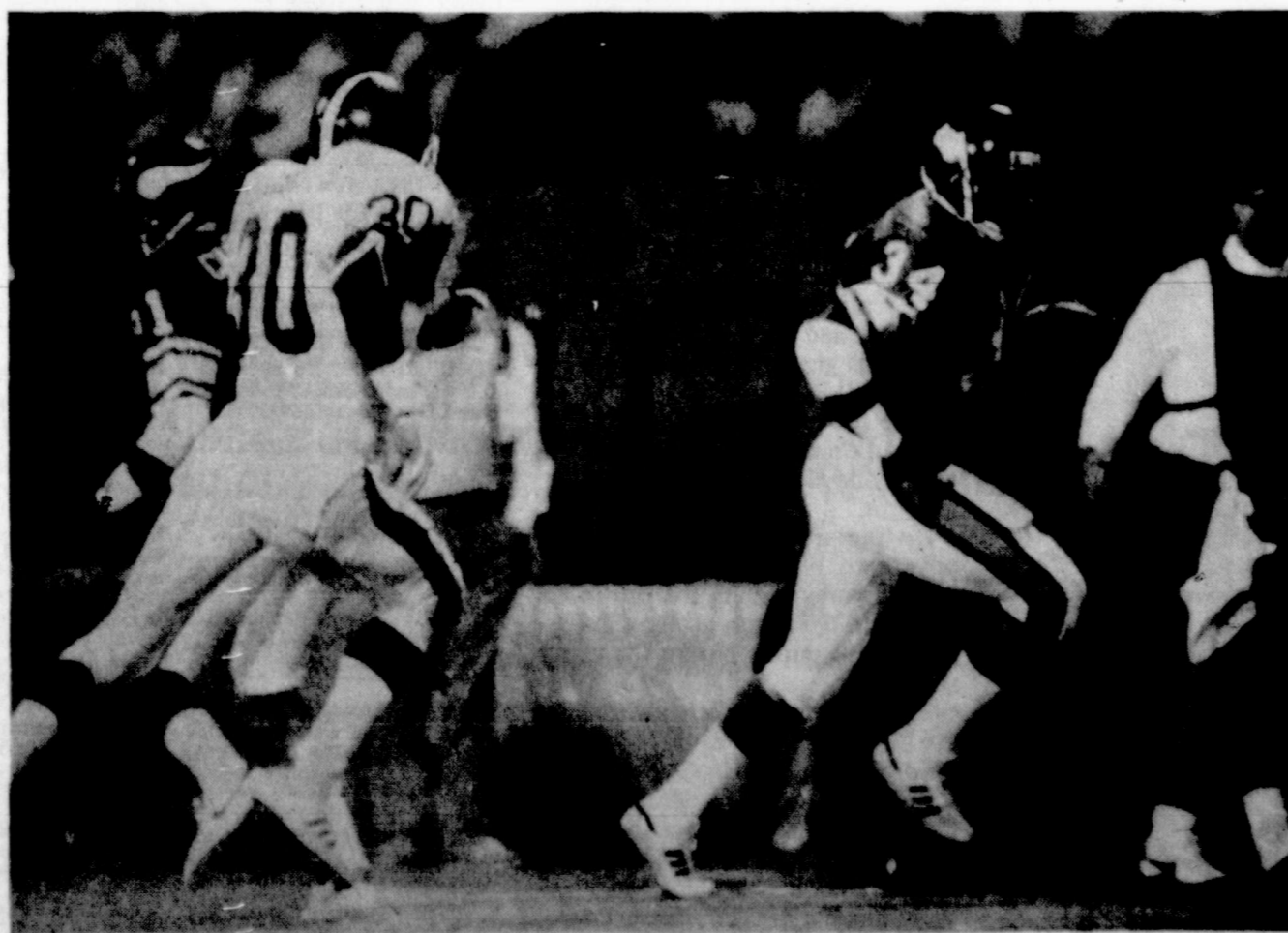
Jeff Jaeger kicked his third field goal of the game, a 33-yarder with 7:57 remaining, after the Rams moved 47 yards on 11 plays to get into position. Jaeger also kicked a 31-yarder in the first quarter and a 47-yarder in the second.

Falcons 34, Bengals 17

Chris Miller passed for 267 yards and three touchdowns as Atlanta's new coach, Jerry Glanville, gained a measure of revenge over Cincinnati's Sam Wyche. Wyche deliberately ran up the score last season in the Bengals' 61-7 over Houston, then coached by Glanville.

Buccaneers 44, Patriots 10

Eric Everett scored on a 33-yard interception return of a Tommy Hodson pass and Broderick Thomas returned a fumble 56 yards for another touchdown. Tampa Bay got 44 points despite an offense that gained just 199 yards.



Vikings' back Herschal Walker (34) outruns Browns' safety Thane Gash (30) after catching a 17-yard pass for a touchdown in an NFL exhibition game Sunday night. The Vikings won, 23-20.

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Love captures International golf tournament

By JOHN MOSSMAN
AP Sports Writer

CASTLE ROCK, Colo. (AP) — Davis Love III may be only 26 years old, but it took him no time at all to discern the essential truth about the scoring system used in the International golf tournament.

"It favors inconsistency," Love said Sunday, cradling the trophy and a first-place check for \$180,000 after winning the fifth edition of the event.

With birdies counting 2 points, pars zero and bogeys minus-1, a player who makes a lot of birdies and bogeys is better off than one who makes mostly pars. The modified Stableford system is designed to encourage aggressive play.

Love's final round Sunday illustrated the point nicely. He was a model of inconsistency, parring only five holes. He had nine birdies and four bogeys, leaving him with a plus-14 total good for a 3-point margin over Steve Pate, Peter Senior of Australia and Eduardo Romero of Argentina.

Along the way, Love overcame not one but two double eagles by his challengers. Those count plus-8. The first, a 238-yard 2-iron shot by Steve Pate on the par-5 8th hole, gave Pate a commanding lead, at plus-10. The other double eagle, a 209-yard 5-

iron by Jim Gallagher on the par-5 17th, vaulted him to plus-8. Double eagles are rare — usually only one or two per season on the PGA Tour. There is no record that two double eagles have been scored in any single tournament, let alone two on the same day. "I've never had one," said Ben Crenshaw, who wound up fifth with plus-9 points.

"Before today I'd never even seen one," said Tom Watson, playing in Gallagher's group. "When we saw that on the leaderboard," Love said of Pate's eight-point hole, "we laughed. It kind of spurred us on." At the time of Pate's key hole, Love stood at plus-2. He promptly birdied three

straight holes. After errant drives at the ninth and 10th holes cost him bogeys, he jumped to plus-11 — tying Pate — with birdies at 11, 13 and 14. A shot into the bunker cost him a bogey at No. 16, but he birdied the last two holes. He reached the 492-yard, par-5 17th in two and two-putted from 50 feet, needing to make a five-footer for the birdie. At 18, he hit his 9-iron approach to 15 feet and made that putt as well.

"The last two days, I think this is the most confidence I've ever had with the putter," he said. "I knew if I could get it in position I could make some birdies." "This victory means a lot to me. I've had some

tournaments taken away from me, and I've given some away. This shows me I can suck it up and make some birdies when I have to." Love's second victory in five years on the tour also represents a comeback from a broken wrist sustained last season and the death of his father, teaching pro Davis Love Jr., in a 1988 plane crash.

His father's death devastated him, and he remains emotional when talking about it. "It set me back," Love said. "Everything I've gotten from golf is from him. I don't think I worked as hard as I should have the year after Dad died. But I'm back at it now."

Oilers continue struggling with run-and shoot offense

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers are continuing to struggle under the run-and-shoot offense, but quarterback Warren Moon says it's just a question of getting used to the new system.

Running back Allen Pinkett said Saturday's loss is nonetheless better than the first preseason loss. "Unlike the first game against Detroit, at least we can come away from this one feeling decent about ourselves," he said. The Giants won the game when Joe Morris scored on a two-yard run with 6:53 remaining against the Oilers' second-team defense. New York's Phil Simms completed 8 of 22 passes for 125 yards and directed the 80-yard game-winning touchdown drive in the fourth quarter. Pardee was most disappointed with in the turnovers and the inability

to take advantage of good protection. "We had all day back there," Pardee said. "We should be able to do anything we want with that kind of pass protection. Warren wasn't particularly sharp..." Moon, Houston's starting quarterback since 1984, led the Oilers to a first-quarter field goal by completing four passes for 42 yards. Tony Zendejas tied the game 3-3 with a 47-yard field goal. Houston backup quarterback Cody Carlson fumbled and was intercepted in his first two series in the second quarter before recovering to drive the Oil-

ers 68 yards in the last 36 seconds of the first half. Carlson completed four straight passes, including a 31-yarder to Lorenzo White to the 4. With only eight seconds remaining in the half, Carlson connected with Haywood Jeffries in the end zone for a 10-6 Oilers lead at halftime.

Early in the second half, Carlson pulled a hamstring and left the game early in the second half. He was replaced by quarterback Don McPherson. The Oilers next take to the road for exhibition games against Minnesota and Dallas.

Major League standings

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AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Boston	64	55	.538	—
Toronto	65	56	.537	—
Baltimore	57	62	.479	7
Cleveland	56	64	.467	8 1/2
Detroit	56	66	.459	9 1/2
Milwaukee	53	66	.445	11
New York	49	70	.412	15
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Oakland	77	44	.636	—
Chicago	69	49	.585	6 1/2
Texas	62	59	.512	15
California	60	61	.496	17
Seattle	60	61	.496	17
Kansas City	58	62	.483	18 1/2
Minnesota	55	66	.455	22

Saturday's Games

California 4, Boston 3
Kansas City 10, Milwaukee 1
New York 6, Seattle 0
Oakland 3, Baltimore 1
Detroit 6, Cleveland 3
Toronto 3, Minnesota 0
Texas 8, Chicago 3

Sunday's Games

Boston 4, California 1
New York 3, Seattle 1
Baltimore 3, Oakland 2
Toronto 9, Minnesota 1
Milwaukee 7, Kansas City 2
Cleveland at Detroit, ppd., rain.
Chicago 4, Texas 2

Monday's Games

Chicago (Stottler 11-13) at New York (LaPoint 6-9), 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Toronto at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Baltimore at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
California at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Oakland at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Seattle at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Pittsburgh	71	49	.592	—
New York	68	50	.576	2
Montreal	63	57	.525	8
Chicago	58	62	.483	13
Philadelphia	57	61	.483	13
St. Louis	56	65	.463	15 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cincinnati	68	51	.571	—
Los Angeles	62	58	.517	6 1/2
San Francisco	61	59	.508	7 1/2
San Diego	56	63	.471	12
Houston	53	68	.438	16
Atlanta	45	75	.375	23 1/2

Saturday's Games

Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 1
New York 9, San Francisco 2
Atlanta 17, Chicago 6
Houston 3, St. Louis 2, 11 innings
Los Angeles 3, Montreal 2
San Diego 4, Philadelphia 2

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 3
St. Louis 7, Houston 3
Chicago 5, Atlanta 4
Montreal 2, Los Angeles 1
Philadelphia 3, San Diego 2
New York 10, San Francisco 9

Monday's Games

Chicago (Bielecki 4-8) at Cincinnati (Charlton 9-6), 7:35 p.m.
Houston (Deshailes 5-10) at Pittsburgh (Heaton 10-8), 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavin 6-9) at St. Louis (Hill 3-1), 8:35 p.m.
New York (Fernandez 8-9) at San Diego (Hurst 7-8), 10:05 p.m.

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Chicago at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
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New York at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.
Montreal at San Francisco, 10:35 p.m.

Rostagno wins Volvo crown

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Rain, cold and a relentless Derrick Rostagno were too much for Todd Woodbridge to overcome in the Volvo International tennis final.

Rostagno won his first tournament title by beating Woodbridge 6-3, 6-3 Sunday night. The 24-year-old from Los Angeles started tentatively, but found his game during a 5-hour, 40-minute rain delay. Rostagno said the delay gave him time to think. "I realized I was missing much too much and the last thing I wanted to do was give away a set before he earned it," Rostagno said. "We came back and I just didn't miss any more," he said. "I felt I was giving myself a lot more margin for error."

Rostagno, who won just three points in losing the first three games, started hitting the ball more solidly in the fourth game, winning in straight points before the rains started. The key was the first game after the rain delay. Woodbridge was leading 30-15 when the game resumed at 8:05 p.m. Woodbridge fought off four break points before being broken on a double-fault.

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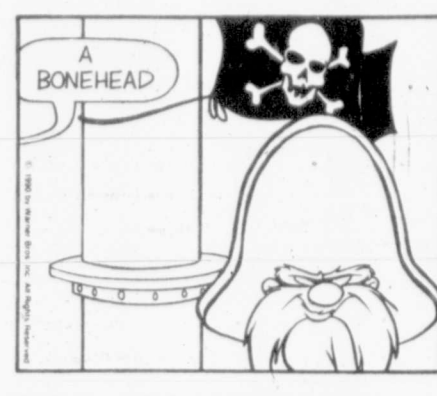
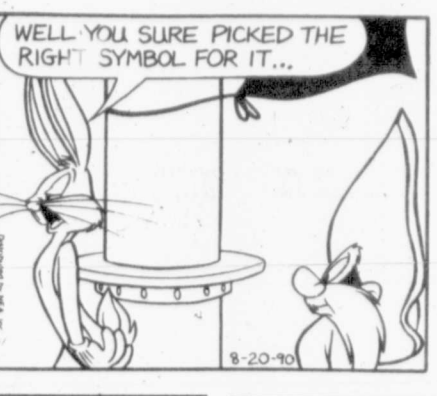
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Despite tuna policy change, ocean waters still far from 'dolphin safe'

By JOHN BARRAT
Smithsonian News Service

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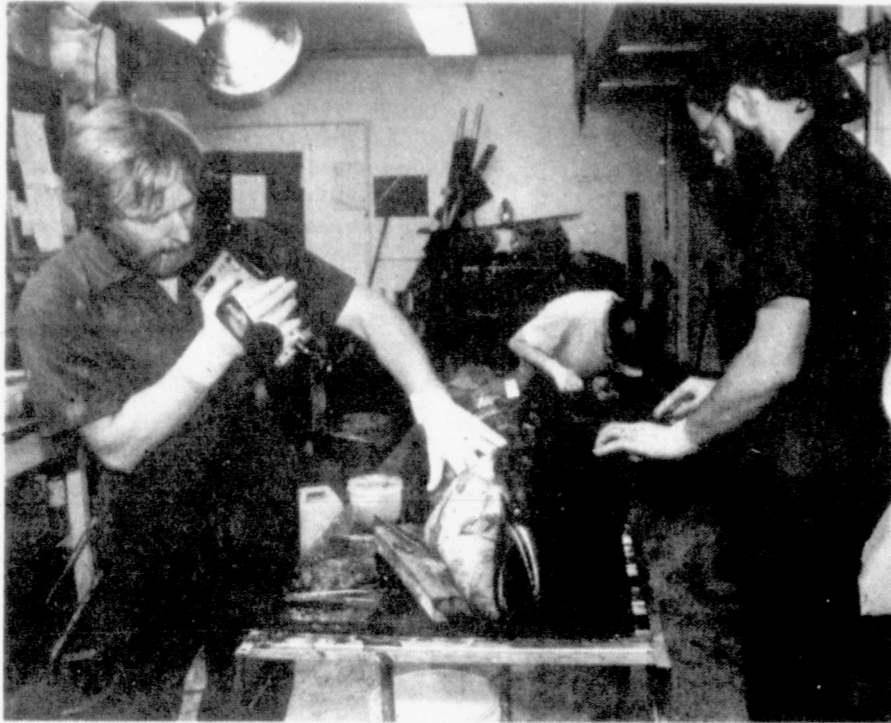
America's three largest dealers of canned tuna - Star Kist, Bumble Bee and Chicken of the Sea - admitted as much earlier this year when they agreed to stop buying tuna netted by methods that also kill Pacific dolphins. Environmental groups are now working to convince foreign tuna interests to follow suit.

Despite this decision, dolphins are still dying by the thousands in 30- to 40-mile-long driftnets commonly used to harvest a number of fish other than tuna - including squid.

In addition, concern for dolphins has been compounded since 1987 by a die off of roughly half their population along the U.S. Atlantic coast from an AIDS-like illness. Thousands of dolphins washed ashore suffering from skin lesions, starvation and viral infections - conditions attributed to the effects of natural and man-made toxins. A similar die-off has killed several hundreds of dolphins so far this year in the Gulf of Mexico.

While much has been learned about the behavior and intelligence of captive dolphins, research on how these animals live and survive in the open seas has been difficult and slow. Wild dolphins are shy, nearly impossible to follow and spend most of their time underwater.

Still, in order to be able to help dolphins survive the often devastating actions of man, a clearer picture of how they "normally" live is critical, says Dr. James Mead, director of Smithsonian Institution's Marine Mammal Program, based in the National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C.



(Smithsonian News Service photo by Kathy Araskog)

A team of Smithsonian scientists meticulously studies the anatomy of an Atlantic white-sided dolphin. Videotapes of the animal will later be used to make detailed illustrations. This specimen drowned in a mackerel net.

ent sub-groups occupy in the ocean is important," Potter says. "Otherwise, someone may plan an oil well or garbage dump in the middle of a critical habitat."

Marine scientists became concerned that large fleets of tuna boats were over-fishing certain zones, pushing some dolphin sub-species toward extinction. In 1972, Congress established laws limiting the number of dolphins that could be killed each year. In response, tuna fishermen developed special nets and fishing techniques, which significantly reduced the number of dolphins being injured or killed.

"Today, dolphins, as well as hundreds of other species of sharks, fish, turtles, seals and birds, are being drowned by the thousands in driftnets that are essentially strip-mining the oceans," Potter says. "Net boats after one type of fish kill thousands of other animals in their nets. These creatures are then dumped back into the sea, dead."

Normally, Mead and Potter glean most of their data from the carcasses of stranded animals, not from those caught in fishing nets. A network of contacts spanning the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, as well as Alaska and Hawaii, alerts them to strandings of marine mammals year-around.

"Some species of whales and dolphins are only known from strandings or from skeletal remains found on a beach," Potter says. "Others, we are certain, are still unknown to science."

While a stranded dolphin or whale may elicit little more than novel curiosity or a cry of "yuck" from beachcombers, Mead and Potter have learned to "read" the physical characteristics of these animals with great accuracy.

Examination of their stomach contents, external morphology, reproductive tract and other organs yields valuable insight into the animal's life history. A belly-full of squid in a dead Atlantic bottlenose dolphin, for example, tells researchers that it lived far out at sea where squid are plentiful. A second distinct stock of Atlantic dolphin living just off the beach eats only fin fish, such as spot or sea trout.

"Even without knowing what they eat, we can often determine an animal's origin by the suite of parasites it carries," Mead says. "Each stock of dolphin carries a unique set of worms. Some are picked up in the food they eat and others are passed down from generation to generation." Mead and Potter are now examining what they believe to be a link between parasites and the high mortality rate among young dolphins.

"We are concerned with gathering data that represents the normal natural history of these animals,

such as when they become sexually mature, what diseases they get, how large they grow and how long they live," Mead emphasizes.

Unfortunately, toxic pollutants have also become normal for dolphins, and the Marine Mammal Program has documented a spectrum of pollutants found in their bodies including high concentrations of DDT, PCBs, mercury and chlordane. "So high, in fact," Potter says, "that, if they were a commercial fish, dolphins, would certainly be banned as unfit for human consumption."

Potter points out that dolphins are at the top of the ocean food chain and acquire these contaminants from the fish they eat, such as mackerel, croaker, sea trout and the like. "These are the same fish you will find at a fish fry or at your local restaurant," Potter cautions.

"In mammals, toxins accumulate in fatty tissues, such as the blubber and liver," Mead says.

Sub-lethal levels of toxins affect mammals by weakening their immune systems, making them susceptible to diseases that their bodies would normally be able to resist. Evidence of crippled immune systems were observed during the die-off of Atlantic bottlenose dolphins in 1987.

When examining a dolphin in their laboratory, Mead and Potter keep careful records of an animal's size and weight. Samples of a number of vital tissues - skin, heart, liver, brain, kidney and muscle - are collected and shared with other researchers at the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts, the U.S. Fish, Wildlife Service, the University of Oregon and the Environmental Protection Agency, to name a few. "You never can tell what someone may someday want to examine," Mead says. "By rule of thumb, we don't throw much away."

Some tissues are frozen in liquid nitrogen to be used for DNA studies while others are kept as a baseline for measuring ocean pollutants in the future. Others are preserved in ethanol for anatomical and clinical studies. The National Museum of Natural History has the world's largest collection of marine mammal specimens.

In related research, marine mammal scientists are still learning the most basic facts of dolphin anatomy. Recently, for example, researchers learned that dolphins move through the water using means of locomotion previously unknown to man. A thin girdle of tendons just beneath the dolphin's blubber stores energy, which, when released through the tail, helps propel the creature through the water.

Another researcher has discovered a previously unknown circulatory pathway by which dolphins can regulate the blood temperature around their reproductive organs. Scientists still have much to learn about dolphins, but time is running out since many species are being driven toward extinction - despite the tuna industry's recent decision.

"The 1987 die-off was a real warning shot across our bow," Potter says. "It is time we began to take the pollution and management of our oceans seriously."



(Smithsonian News Service photo courtesy of the Mystic MarineLife Aquarium)

Although the smiling face of the bottlenose dolphin is a familiar sight, the natural history and anatomy of these inquisitive mammals remain shrouded in mystery.

"What we don't know about these animals would fill volumes," he says. "Ninety-nine percent of what you read about them is anecdote and hypothesis."

Research on dolphins and whales by Mead and Charles Potter, another Smithsonian marine mammal expert, has helped clear up some of the myths surrounding these animals and helped build the case against their exploitation by the tuna industry. In the mid-1970s, for example, Mead was the recipient of hundreds of dead Pacific dolphins pulled from the nets of U.S. tuna boats, then frozen and shipped to his laboratory. Mead and other marine mammal experts carefully examined the dolphins one by one, inside and out, from tooth to fin.

What the scientists learned was startling. "They discovered that the tuna boats were netting a variety of different species and sub-species of Pacific dolphin, not just a few as had been previously assumed," Potter says. And although these dolphins are nearly identical in appearance "each sub-species is a unique set of animals living in a particular marine habitat."

Such diversity is a natural mechanism for survival, Potter explains. Different groups evolve in different ways. One sub-species, for example, may develop the ability to utilize a very specific resource that other groups ignore. Over time, such diversity is essential to the overall well-being of the entire species.

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Irrigation district farmers start rationing

HOUSTON (AP) - The La Feria Irrigation District will start rationing irrigation water today, forcing farmers to decide whether to cut back or even forgo fall plantings.

Water is finally flowing into two big reservoirs upstream on the Rio Grande after a prolonged drought of nearly three years, but farmers can't use it because it is earmarked for next year.

Approximately 200 growers of such crops as cucumbers, broccoli and bell peppers will be limited to one more watering of their land beginning today until Jan. 1, 1991, said irrigation district manager Bill Friend.

Several of the 32 water districts in the Valley are running short but La Feria is the first to start rationing, Friend said. Growers around La Feria used up their sup-

plies first because the weather has been especially dry in the area, which is between Weslaco and Harlingen.

Other districts got more rain and a few were saved by a disaster - last December's killing freeze of the citrus orchards, which freed water to grow other crops.

The plight of La Feria's growers illustrates how the state's most productive agricultural area is chronically on the edge of a water shortage because it is served by a river that runs through the desertlike terrain of far West Texas. La Feria last had to ration in 1969.

In the short term, farmers are fretting more about the salinity of the water they have been getting this year. The elevated salt content is blamed on the lack of fresh water coming into reservoirs, which can lose more than 6 feet a year to evaporation.

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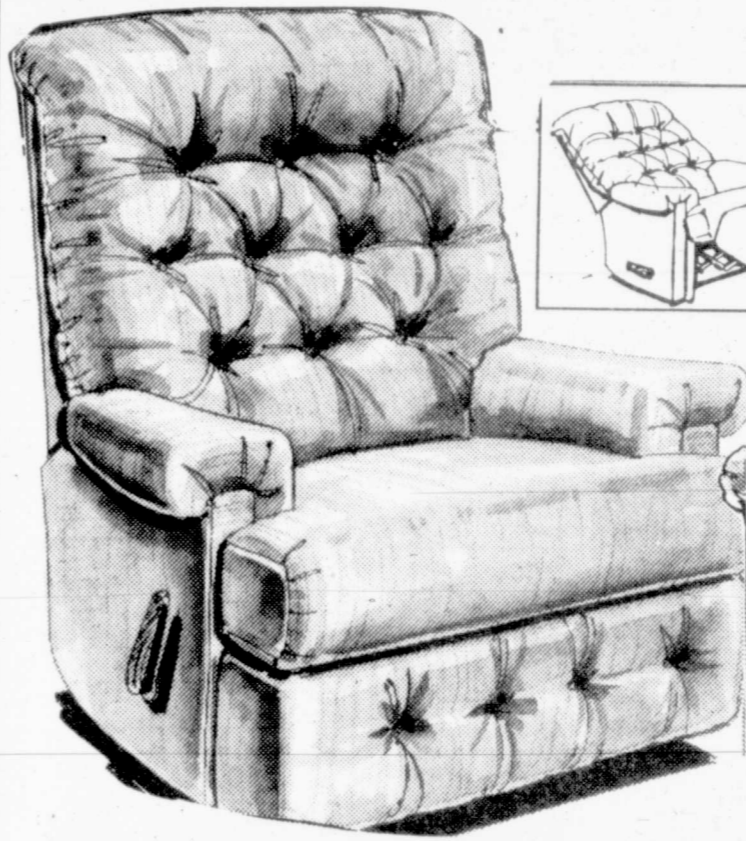
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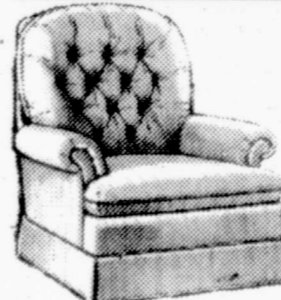
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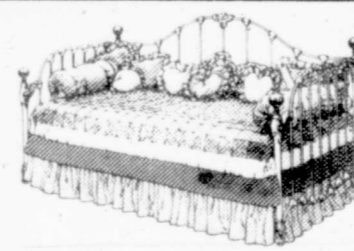
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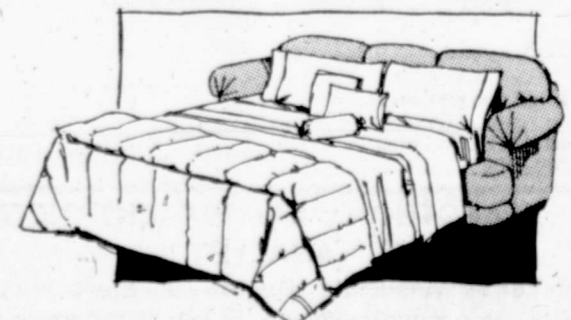
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