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Eloise Lane addresses a group at the Pampa post office Sunday after she received one of two awards. The gathering was during festivities celebrating the 100th anniversary of the post office. At far left is the historical marker, prior to the unveiling.

## Pampa celebrates 100 years of postal facilities

By JOHN McMILLAN  
Staff Writer

Sunday brought a double birthday to Pampa.

Several hundred residents attended a ceremony at the post office honoring the 100th anniversary of postal facilities in town and a reception afterward in the library that honored the approaching 90th birthday of one of the county's pioneers.

"It's just fine and dandy to see all my friends here from way back," said Lewis Meers Sr., who ate birthday cake in his honor at the Lovett Library Auditorium.

Those attending the reception sang "Happy Birthday" to Meers, who will celebrate his 90th birthday on Tuesday. He was the first baby born in Gray County since the county was established, according to his son, H.L. Meers of Pampa.

Meers was among five people honored on Sunday for being the oldest known living residents in Gray County. The other four were Elsie Lard Hall, born in 1906; Mary Horton Bull Graves, 1907; W.A. Greene, 1909; and Sadie Bell Copeland Barton, 1910.

Also at the program dedicating a historical marker for the post office, Eloise Lane received a declaration signed by Mayor Richard Peet that designated her as the official historian of Pampa and Gray County. "I thought this was supposed to be about the post office," Lane commented modestly. "Thank you so much."

Darlene Birkes, chairwoman of the Gray County Historical Commission, also presented Lane with an Award of Merit in Historic Preservation from the Texas Historical Commission.

Lane, who is the granddaughter of the first resident of Pampa, Thomas Lane, wrote several historical book-

lets about Gray County that are housed at White Deer Land Museum and she writes a monthly "Museum Mementos" column that appears in *The Pampa News*.

Lane's accomplishments in historical preservation also include a history of the Pampa post office that she wrote for the 80th birthday celebration of Gray County in 1982.

At the reception in the library, W.A. Greene declared himself "awful lucky" to be attending the dedication ceremony. He and his wife have had heart surgery, he said, adding, "I'm still alive."

Birkes noted that it is unusual for a county in Texas to have several of its earliest residents still living. The historical records of Gray County benefit from their longevity, she suggested.

Greene expressed satisfaction that the post office, completed in 1934,

has continued offering services at its 120 E. Foster Ave. location. About five years ago, he recalled, the U.S. Postal Service proposed closing the facility and building a new post office elsewhere in Pampa. But Gray County residents organized a successful petition campaign to keep the post office open, Birkes said.

"We think we have a very beautiful building, and we wanted it to be preserved as it was intended," said Birkes, who delivered the opening speech at the dedication program in the post office.

"It's part of our roots, our heritage," added Pat Kennedy, wife of Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy.

The Texas Historical Commission historical marker described the building as Spanish Renaissance Revival in design, with elongated windows and a tile roof.

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Lewis Meers Sr., left, and W.A. Greene chat just before a ceremony at the Pampa post office Sunday. Meers and Greene were two of the five oldest county residents honored during the ceremony.

## Street items top city agenda

By ANGELA LEGGETT  
Staff Writer

Pampa City Commission will consider approval of a CADD Drawing Support System and survey crew field work for the comprehensive street improvement program during a regular meeting Tuesday.

The meeting is set to begin at 6 p.m. in the third-floor meeting room at City Hall.

Other items in old business include considering approval of a final plat of Red Deer Creek Acres.

The Planning and Zoning Commission approved the final plat on Sept. 24 and will meet today to

review the issues referred back to them by the City Commission.

New business items listed on the agenda include:

- First reading of establishing solid waste rates for the state correctional facilities located outside the corporate limits of the city of Pampa.

- Any action necessary relative to the Public Utility Commission's pending inquiry into the rates of Southwestern Public Service Co.

- Acceptance of a bid for delinquent tax property at 730 Lefors.

- September disbursements.

- Previous minutes.

Members plan to convene into executive session to discuss City Manager Glen Hackler's annual

performance appraisal. Following the closed session, the City Commission is scheduled to reconvene into open meeting to take any action necessary.

In a 4 p.m. work session, where no action can be taken, members are scheduled to discuss:

- "Clean Cities 2000" — a regional recycling program sponsored by the Texas Water Commission.

- City planning strategies for growth and development in and around Pampa into the 21st century.

- Discussion of a replacement program for golf carts at Hidden Hills Public Golf Course.

The work session will be held in the third floor conference room at City Hall.

## A face is like a canvas to makeup artist

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS  
Lifestyles Editor

When chains are rattling and the eerie wind blows, Jimmy Lindsay is in his element.

Lindsay, who by day is a foreman with Mundy Companies, is by night an amateur makeup artist.

His tackle box is chuck-full of tubes and sponges and brushes and anything else that might help him get just the right effect. Halloween is his big time of year.

"This is my favorite time of year. I get to do makeup and take them outside," Lindsay said.

As he spoke, he was transforming his wife, Sheila, into a green-faced witch with any respectable broom would be proud to have on board.

He began by accentuating her facial lines with a dark fine pen. Then working with his left hand, he applied a sticky, pale pink putty to create a hook nose — complete with wart and pointed chin. By dabbing a soft cloth on the putty, "pores" were created to mimic the surrounding skin.

Sallow green skin color followed and Mrs. Lindsay was unrecognizable.

"I always liked acting through high school and really learned about this part of it doing shows," Lindsay said as he worked.

His brother, Kevin Lindsay, is a big inspiration. Kevin passed on a textbook to Lindsay which gave him insight about preparing effects makeup.

In his tackle box are color preparations to create age spots, blisters, bruises, burns and clown colors. Foundation skin color runs the gamut from light to dark. Mascara comes in such colors as "Rocking Pink," "Banana Flip," and "Far Out

Fuschia." Dental floss is used for facial stitches, and black lipstick brings death to life. A trunk holds costumes, more makeup and stage blood. About \$1,000 is tied up in his quest for the best effect.

Costumes can come from anywhere. "Most costumes we do come from the Goodwill and such or a second-hand store," he said.

Both the Lindsays' parents look for costumes when they shop garage sales.

A few makeup jobs are repeaters. His children love black eyes; witches are popular at Halloween. On himself, Lindsay does "age" make up because it teaches the shape of the face and the bones under the skin.

Lindsay comes from family people who like to use their hands. His dad paints, his mom and his wife love crafts. The four share craft ideas among them.

Looking at makeup in a department store is to Lindsay what the hardware section is to another man. He said when he goes to Wal-Mart he always cruises the makeup before heading for the fishing and golfing supplies. He's always ready to buy some unusual color of mascara, nail polish or eye liner.

Right now, Lindsay and other Mundy Company Employees Club members are occupied building "The Thriller," a haunted house to go with their annual carnival. Again, he is interested in the best effects for each part of the house.

"I'll watch bad movies just to see the effects," he said.

But is there a career in this hobby? "I hope sometime in the future to be known for stage makeup and effects makeup," he said.



Jimmy Lindsay transforms his wife, Sheila, into a witch by adding putty to her nose and chin and painting her skin sallow green.

## GM chief Stempel resigns under fire

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. Chairman Robert Stempel, under fire because the industrial giant has continued losing billions of dollars, resigned today.

There had been persistent reports that GM's board wanted him out.

"I made this decision in the best interest of the corporation and its fine, dedicated employees at all levels of the organization," Stempel said in a statement released by GM.

"I could not in good conscience continue to watch the effects of rumors and speculation that have undermined and slowed the efforts of General Motors people to make this a stronger, more efficient, effective organization," he said.

By late morning on the New York Stock Exchange, GM stock was trading at \$33.75, up 25 cents from Friday's close.

Stempel, 59, who joined GM in 1958, was the first engineer in company history to serve as chairman when he replaced Roger Smith in August 1990.

But published reports had indicated outside directors felt GM's downsizing was coming too slowly, and the board wanted an executive with business background back at the helm. GM had hotly denied Stempel was under any pressure to step up the project or under any pressure to resign.

"GM's been trying to restructure itself since 1990," said David Garrity, an auto industry analyst with McDonald & Co. Investments in New York. "Bob Stempel is just another of those names to fall in front of that intractable problem."

"I think Bob Stempel was the victim of a rotten economy and the fact that the auto industry has gone into its third dip,"

said Phillip Encke, an analyst with Prudential Securities Research in New York.

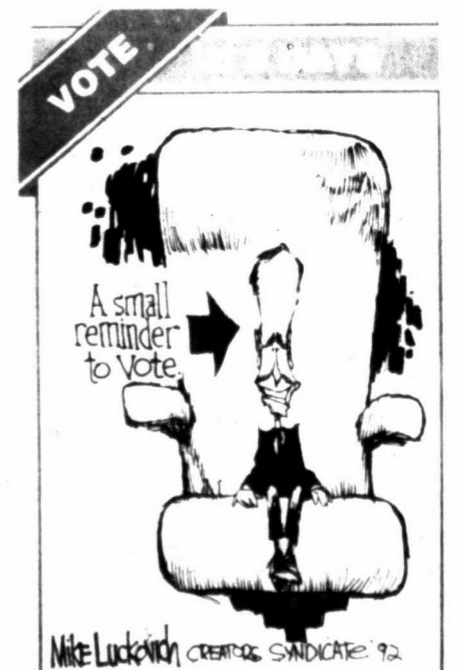
The company is expected to announce a third-quarter loss of more than \$800 million later this week. The automaker lost \$7 billion on North American operations in 1991, a year in which it lost \$4 billion overall.

"The interesting thing now becomes who gets the job and what kind of titles are we looking at," said auto analyst Joseph Phillippi of Lehman Brothers Inc. in New York. "Fixing (GM in) North America is a five-year project, maybe longer."

One GM worker was not optimistic.

"Everything they do is for the money people," Bob Harlow, president of United Auto Workers Local 1776 at GM's Willow Run assembly plant near Ypsilanti, Mich., told WAAM radio in Ann Arbor. "Wall Street and the money people are definitely taking over. You'll see higher dividends and the stock price will go up, but it's just a temporary thing. In the years to come, they're going to be in bad trouble."

On Friday, GM accelerated its restructuring, announcing major manufacturing consolidations that eventually will lead to fewer vehicle models. Six separate car-making divisions will be reduced to four, meaning the groups of passenger car "platforms" — the chassis, axles and powertrain to which car bodies are added — will be reduced from six to four.



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## Report shows decline in crime reports to police

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some criminal justice experts say they're surprised at FBI statistics showing that the amount of crime reported to police declined 2 percent in the first half of 1992, compared with the same period the previous year.

The FBI report released Sunday listed a 3 percent drop in the number of reported murders, a 1 percent decrease in robberies, a 4 percent rise in forcible rapes and a 6 percent

increase in aggravated assaults.

Alfred Blumstein, dean of the school of urban and public affairs at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, said he had heard reports that murders committed by people who were strangers to their victims may be increasing, while the number of murders among acquaintances is declining.

"But I don't have a good explanation," he said about the decline in

the murder rate. "I must say, it surprises me."

On the increased number of reported rapes, University of Massachusetts Professor Jeff Sedgwick said "more women are willing to come forward" in the wake of congressional hearings into allegations by law professor Anita Hill that she was sexually harassed by Clarence Thomas, now a Supreme Court justice.

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# Canadians voting on constitutional reform

MONTREAL (AP) — Canadians have two reasons to rejoice: their beloved Blue Jays have won the World Series and their seemingly endless constitutional debate is nearly over.

But the sense of national unity fostered by the baseball victory is likely to wither once the votes are counted in today's referendum on a package of constitutional changes.

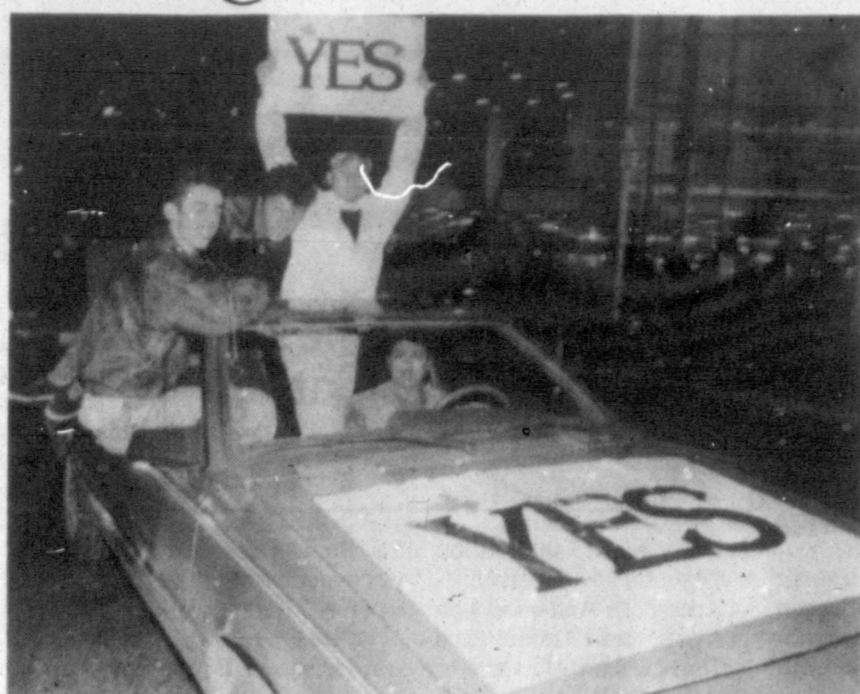
The changes began as an attempt to head off Quebec's strong separatist sentiments, then were expanded to address the concerns of the other nine provinces and two territories.

The referendum is non-binding, but the changes must be approved by all provincial legislatures. Lawmakers would be unlikely to do so if their constituents reject the package — as is expected in several provinces.

One of the major problems facing the reform package is its complexity. "Nobody understands the damn thing," J.P. Belanger, 65, a retired steelworker, said Sunday while shopping at Montreal's Faubourg mall.

"If you had six lawyers on this, between them you would come up with six different interpretations and they will argue for 20 years," said Liliane Primeau, 43, of Montreal, who planned to vote against the referendum.

According to a Gallup poll last week, the referendum is widely opposed in Quebec and British Columbia, behind in Alberta and Saskatchewan and too close to call in Ontario.



Toronto Blue Jays fans parade through the streets of Toronto with "yes" to Canada posters Sunday evening. Canadian voters go to the polls today to vote on a referendum on constitutional reforms.

The reform package aims at meeting numerous demands from Quebec for special treatment to protect its French language and culture and to discourage it from seeking independence. It would declare Quebec a "distinct society" and guarantee the province 25 percent of the seats in the House of Commons and three of the Supreme Court's nine seats.

It also calls for wide-ranging changes affecting all provinces, especially the restructuring of the

Senate. Under the reforms, the Senate would be directly elected and have six members from each province; the current Senate is appointed, with more members from the larger provinces.

The reforms also recognize the right of Canada's aboriginal people to govern themselves and call for extra seats in the House of Commons for fast-growing British Columbia and Alberta.

Commentators have suggested

that the reforms themselves are not so bad, but Canadians are too angry over the country's sinking economy to back anything presented by Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

"(The referendum) has exposed the terrifying bankruptcy of political leadership from coast to coast and, hopefully, paved the way for a new generation of politicians," wrote Ed Bantey in Montreal's *Le Soleil* newspaper.

Mulroney, chief spokesman for the reform proponents, was still putting on a brave front at the conclusion of the grueling campaign.

"The 'undecideds' are going to resolve this matter, and they are going to resolve it in the interests of their children," he said.

Some opponents contend the package gives Quebec too much, while others say it's too little. Jacques Parizeau, leader of the separatist Parti Quebecois, calls the package a "political shipwreck" that proves there are two fundamentally contradictory visions of Canada that cannot be reconciled.

Despite their political divisions, Canadians enjoyed a burst of national unity over the weekend after the Toronto Blue Jays became the first Canadian team to capture a World Series title.

For at least a day, national pride triumphed over regional bickering. East and West and French and English came together, and Canadians were pleased as punch to beat those insufferably superior Yanks at their own game.

# Judge seals sexual assault lawsuits

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Two personal injury lawsuits involving complaints of sexual assaults against children have been sealed by an acting judge.

The order from Judge Martha Tanner hides the identity of all of the people involved.

However, the defendants, who agreed to undisclosed insurance settlements, include a private psychiatric hospital and a retail business establishment, the *San Antonio Express-News* reported.

Tanner set a hearing for 8:30 a.m. Wednesday to rule on whether the records will be sealed permanently.

In an interview last week, the judge said she is unsure how she will rule.

"I have a bad problem with it (the sealing request)," the judge said.

"I will have to weigh that against the rights of an innocent child. I didn't seal the records for one minute to protect the hospital. If there is no objection, I will probably seal it."

The personal injury lawsuits allege sexual assaults on a 15-year-old boy and on a 10-year-old boy by a 27-year-old social worker, the newspaper said. The social

worker has been indicted on two charges of aggravated sexual assault.

The man's court-appointed attorney said his client is terminally ill with AIDS.

According to court records associated with the cases, the social worker admitted attacking the youths while they were patients at a private, non-profit psychiatric hospital where he worked.

A statement by the social worker, in which he admitted to a state Department of Human Services social worker that he committed the offenses, has been placed in court files in the criminal cases, the newspaper said.

The civil suits were filed anonymously by an individual who later filed insurance settlements and then asked the judge to keep the settlement terms secret, the *Express-News* reported.

The judge signed the temporary sealing orders and set the Wednesday public hearings. If the judge makes the order final on Wednesday, the Bexar County court system will be the custodian of the secret judgments.

The court system would be called on to enforce the judgments if the terms are not followed.

# School study urges quality over choice

WASHINGTON (AP) — There is little evidence that allowing parents to choose their child's school improves learning, according to a study that says the best way to enrich education is to focus on quality rather than location.

"Instead of providing choice only among schools, why not create choices within schools," the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching said in a study released today.

The concept of school choice is favored both by President Bush and Democrat Bill Clinton as it applies to public schools. Bush would go further, providing government financial assistance for parents who want to send their children to private schools.

The foundation study, however, found that 82 percent of those interviewed would rather see improvements to their neighborhood public schools than choose another for their children to attend.

South Mountain, a neighborhood high school in Phoenix, was cited in the report as overcoming in-school violence and a soaring dropout rate by creating more choice for its students. It divided into five specialty schools, gave teachers time to tutor and make home visits, toughened its educational standards and provided on-campus social work programs.

Among the other findings in the study: —Parents, by a 2-1 margin, oppose giving vouchers for private school choice.

—Only 15 percent of those surveyed believe neighborhood schools can be improved by competition among schools.

—The bulk of parents, 70 percent, say they wouldn't transfer their children to another school if given a choice.

—Choice works better for the most economically and educationally advantaged families.

—Statewide choice programs widen the gap between rich and poor districts.

Thirteen state legislatures have adopted choice plans, and 21 others have considered them, the study said. Minnesota instituted the first program in 1987; laws offering choice are scheduled to take effect in Michigan and Ohio next year.

The foundation report was based on interviews, visits to school districts and surveys of more than 1,000 parents in six states with choice programs: Arkansas, Iowa, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska and Washington.

# Standing by



Enterprising residents watch jeepneys negotiate a flooded portion of a Manila street today, hoping they would stall so they can push them for a fee. Heavy rains brought on by Tropical Storm Colleen Sunday night caused massive flooding in Manila. There were no early reports of casualties.

# Railroad Commission candidates react to poll

DALLAS (AP) — Democrat Lena Guerrero and Republican Barry Williamson are reacting predictably to a weekend poll by a Washington-based opinion research firm that showed Williamson has a commanding lead going into the final 10 days of their race for a seat on the Texas Railroad Commission.

The poll, taken Oct. 18-22, showed Williamson with 51 percent of the support to 37 percent for Ms. Guerrero. Nine percent were undecided.

"Our campaign has focused on creating jobs and putting Texans back to work. This poll confirms that our positive message has struck a chord with Texas voters," Williamson said.

Ms. Guerrero reacted to the poll data with aplomb.

"There's a lot of different polls. We've got some that have us even in the race, and the poll that's most important is the one on Election Day," she said.

Belden & Russonello, which conducted the poll on behalf of several different Texas media outlets, said 593 registered Texans who said they are likely to vote in the race were interviewed by telephone Oct. 18, 20, 21 and 22 from a random statewide sample.

The poll was made public on Sunday. The firm said the error due to

sampling could be plus or minus 4.3 percentage points.

Ms. Guerrero got a favorable rating from 22 percent of those surveyed. However, 41 percent rated her unfavorably. Williamson showed a 25 percent favorable rating and only 17 percent unfavorable.

Ms. Guerrero is a former Austin legislator who resigned recently from a gubernatorial appointment to the commission after admitting she lied about having completed college as an honors graduate.

She apologized for her deceptions, but continued campaigning for the commission.

The poll showed Williamson to be an overwhelming choice among Republicans and Anglos. Ms. Guerrero fared best among Democrats, Hispanics and blacks. She was

supported by 58 percent of the Hispanics, to 28 percent for Williamson.

The poll said Williamson had the support of 82 percent of Republicans surveyed, while Ms. Guerrero had the backing of 69 percent of Democrats polled.

Ms. Guerrero's unfavorable rating in Texas (41 percent) was listed as second only to that of Vice Presidential Dan Quayle.

A second poll on the race, conducted by Rice University for the Houston Post and Houston television station KHOU, put Williamson ahead 42 percent to 31 percent. Twenty-five percent of those questioned were undecided or disliked both candidates.

The telephone survey of 650 voters, released today, has a 4.5 percent margin of error.

# 'Ghost Zone' considered model, despite problems

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP) — U.S.-Bolivian operations against Bolivia's cocaine trade are working so well that the campaign is seen as a model, despite tensions between the two countries and concern that Colombians are taking over.

This year, anti-drug police and U.S. narcotics agents have seriously disrupted cocaine trafficking from the Chapare, a tropical region that produces 80 percent of the coca leaf processed into cocaine.

The operation, called Ghost Zone, has used AWACS radar planes to detect flights carrying coca-leaf paste from Chapare to other regions for processing into cocaine. Hundreds of Bolivian and U.S. anti-drug agents have been mobilized to seize coca leaf, labs and processing chemicals.

As a result, traffickers are moving their landing strips out of reach of the anti-drug forces, using armies of farmers to carry the raw material to them.

"Coca leaf and cocaine production have diminished and the material cannot be transported as easily," said Carlos Saavedra Bruno, the interior minister, but added that interdiction alone will not bring victory.

"More options must be provided for the farmer who wants to quit cultivating coca leaf," he said.

Both the Bolivian and U.S. governments report a net reduction in cultivation as a result of voluntary eradication. Farmers receive \$2,000 for every hectare, about 2 1/2 acres, of coca destroyed.

U.S. Ambassador Charles Bowers describes Ghost Zone as the biggest, most successful anti-drug operation in the Americas.

"There is less coca and more government programs in the Chapare than ever before," he said, and the Bolivians are increasingly capable of going after kingpins and traffickers.

Colombians have moved in because of the crackdown and the surrender last year of eight leading Bolivian traffickers in response to a government pledge that they would be tried in Colombia, not extradited to the United States.

"The Colombian Cali cartel is running most operations in Bolivia," said Don Ferrarone,

Bolivia station chief of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

A representative of the Cali cartel, Celimo Andrade Quintero, was arrested June 24 in Bolivia. Ferrarone said the cartel is moving four tons of cocaine a month out of this country.

Progress in fighting cocaine has been marred by controversy surrounding U.S. military and DEA activities in Bolivia. The presence of 150 American soldiers from June to September in Santa Ana, a center of the drug trade, was widely criticized by newspapers and opposition politicians.

The opposition said the presence of U.S. troops required congressional authorization, but the U.S. Embassy said military "civic action" teams have visited Bolivia for 30 years without such approval. The press and opposition speculated that the troops had come to build a nuclear waste dump and a permanent military base.

"We did have a problem that was created by the civic action team that went into Santa Ana to build a school," Bowers said.

"It was a problem created by self-serving politicians and a press that inflamed the situation through sensational journalism. This spilled into a number of people saying Bolivian sovereignty and dignity had been affected adversely."

Interior Minister Saavedra said in an interview that "relations between Bolivia and the United States are at their best moment in recent years." The two governments agree on the need to strengthen democratic institutions, modernize the state and carry out an efficient war on drugs, he added.

Saavedra acknowledged that anti-American sentiment had grown in recent years, but ascribed it largely to lack of communication. For example, the minister said, he was not advised of the arrival of the 150 soldiers and the government did not anticipate how much trouble it would cause.

"The opposition sometimes plays a role that distorts our relations," he said. "They (try to) show the Bolivian government in conflict with the U.S., which in fact is not the case."

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## Opinion

### Politicians soon will have to follow

Economics, in the original meaning given it by Aristotle, meant the study of a household's business. For too long economists all but ignored the household for "macroeconomic" factors, in particular how government is supposed to "help" the economy. Fortunately, the rise of free-market economics, the study of the free actions of persons and families, has changed that to a large degree.

One of the major proponents of "household economics," Gary Becker of the University of Chicago, just won this year's Nobel Prize for economics. The University of Chicago economics department thus has performed a hat trick, scoring three Nobels in a row. That makes it six overall, including those Milton Friedman, whose name is most identified with the school, the late George Stigler, and Ronald Coase, last year's winner. Other free-market economists, such as the late Friedrich Hayek, of the Austrian school of economics, also have won the prize.

In 1989, with the victory of the freedom revolutions across Eastern Europe, these economists won the debate over the more extreme versions of socialism. Now, their ideas are fighting, and often winning, against the remaining versions of socialism around the world. The Chicagoans and the Austrians, though they disagree on some areas, both seek a common goal: the expansion of liberty.

No wonder the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, which hands out the economics Nobels, commended Professor Becker for formulating "a general theory for behavior of family — including not only the distribution of work and the allocation for time in the family, but also decisions regarding marriage, divorce, and children."

Professor Becker won his award, in part, for his unique arguments about that American obsession, discrimination for reasons of race, sex, and so on. He has proven that the free market is the strongest force against discrimination, because the free market imposes economic costs upon those who discriminate.

Then why do disparities often exist? One reason: People themselves make decisions that cause disparities. Women, for example, often leave the workforce to bear and raise children. Blacks may enter low-paying jobs because their schooling has been less thorough than that of whites.

The main culprit in actual discrimination: government. Professor Becker explains, "Individuals responding to incentives can do very well, and governments typically respond to the wrong incentives." Indeed, it is government that imposes on blacks an inferior education system.

Whatever happens on November's presidential and congressional elections, the ideas of freedom, championed by Professor Becker and his fellow free-market Nobel laureates, are marching across the world, penetrating even the innermost parts of decommunizing China. America's best minds are leading the march. Soon, our own politicians will have to follow.

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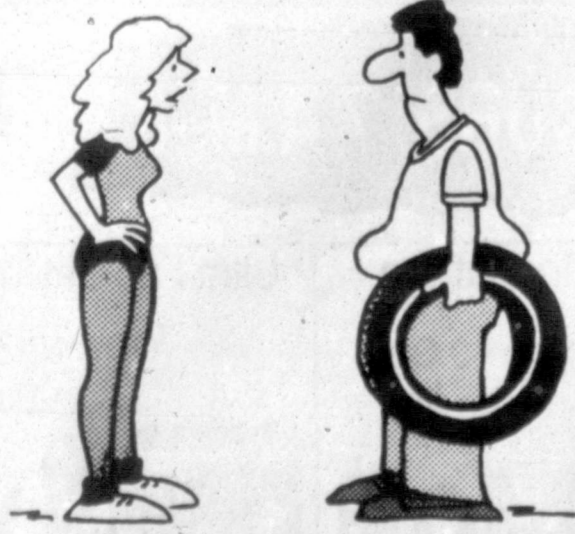
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## Joker in the deck

If George Bush and Bill Clinton were the only players in this game, and all the cards were dealt between them, pundits would have no problem predicting a winner: Bill Clinton. The Arkansas governor now leads convincingly in 28 states with 336 electoral votes.

It's a different game this year. There's a joker in the deck and a third player at the table, the Ross Perot factor is an unpredictable element in the equation. Perot won't win the election. He won't win a single state, but he will royally mess things up for the others.

The lamp of experience ordinarily guides our footsteps, but this year the lamp is dim. It reflects a feeble light from the election of 1980, when Independent John Anderson sat at the table with Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter.

Some of the parallels are apparent. Like President Bush today, President Carter in 1980 had a dismal scorecard of voter approval. Economic news was dreadful. By mid-October Carter was down 9 percent in the polls; a one-on-one debate had not helped him; some of his shafts at Reagan had boomeranged.

Like Bill Clinton today, Ronald Reagan in 1980 provided a fresh face and a prospect of vigorous change. He was a pleasant speaker with a disarming personality. He accumulated a heavy load of negatives, but none of them seemed to stick.

There the parallels end. John Anderson in 1980 was no Ross Perot. Anderson was Republican apostate who couldn't stand Reagan. He was a colorful, moderately liberal congressman from Illinois, a nice guy, but no ball of fire.

—What happened? The popular vote that Novem-



**James J. Kilpatrick**

ber saw 86,515,000 ballots cast. Reagan claimed 43,904,000 (50.7 percent); Carter won 35,484,000 (41 percent); Anderson siphoned off 5,720,000 (6.6 percent); and 17 minor candidates took the rest.

Turn the lamp of experience on Anderson's 6.6 percent. It wasn't a uniform 6.6 across the country. The troublesome fact is that Anderson took more than 10 percent of the vote in nine states. His candidacy clearly cost Carter the 14 electoral votes of Massachusetts and may have deprived Carter of 15 other electoral votes from Connecticut, Maine and Vermont.

What may we glean from all this? Ross Perot in 1992 is a far more interesting independent candidate than John Anderson in 1980. Perot has gained from the three-party debates; Anderson was shut out of them 12 years ago. Despite his handicaps, Bush today is more widely admired — or less widely condemned — than Carter at term's end.

Perot's vote will have little significance as a percentage of the total vote. It will be surprising if it surpasses 10 percent nationwide. Within particular states, the Perot vote will be critical. He probably will hold the balance of power in Texas and Florida, with a combined electoral vote of 57. One way

or another, there goes the old ball game.

Will Perot take more from Bush, or more from Clinton? If he draws equally from them both, the whole thing is a wash. My guess is that in the crunch, Perot will pull more votes away from Clinton.

In that guess, I may be quite wrong. The poll figures are fluff. Two weeks from the election, we still have a great mass of undecided voters. Several million people are so sore at Bush, and so unhappy with the economy, that they tell the pollsters they'll probably vote for Clinton.

But they don't know. Many of these putative Clinton voters don't trust Clinton. He can't shake "Slick Willie" any more than Richard Nixon could shake "Tricky Dick." There is something blow-dried about the governor, something not quite real about the guy. He's so — so affable, so confident of his own rectitude, so very superior in every way.

Most of the political analysts say the election is effectively over. One professor somewhere — I missed the gentleman's name — last week was predicting a rout. He thought that Bush would carry only Mississippi, South Carolina, Wyoming and Idaho, and he wasn't sure about Idaho.

I don't believe we're in for a rout. The seat of my pants tells me that this election may yet be decided over the Halloween weekend. Some unpredictable number of voters will decide either to stick with George Bush, as the bogeyman they know, or to say the hell with it and vote for Ross Perot.

We ought constantly to keep in mind the rules of our political poker. National polls don't count. State polls do count. In the Electoral College, it takes 270 votes to claim the pot. This year the joker could control the losing hand.

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Oct. 26, the 300th day of 1992. There are 66 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 26, 1881, the "Gunfight at the OK Corral" took place in Tombstone, Ariz., as Wyatt Earp, his two brothers and "Doc" Holliday shot it out with Ike Clanton's gang. Three members of Clanton's gang were killed; Earp's brothers were wounded.

#### On this date:

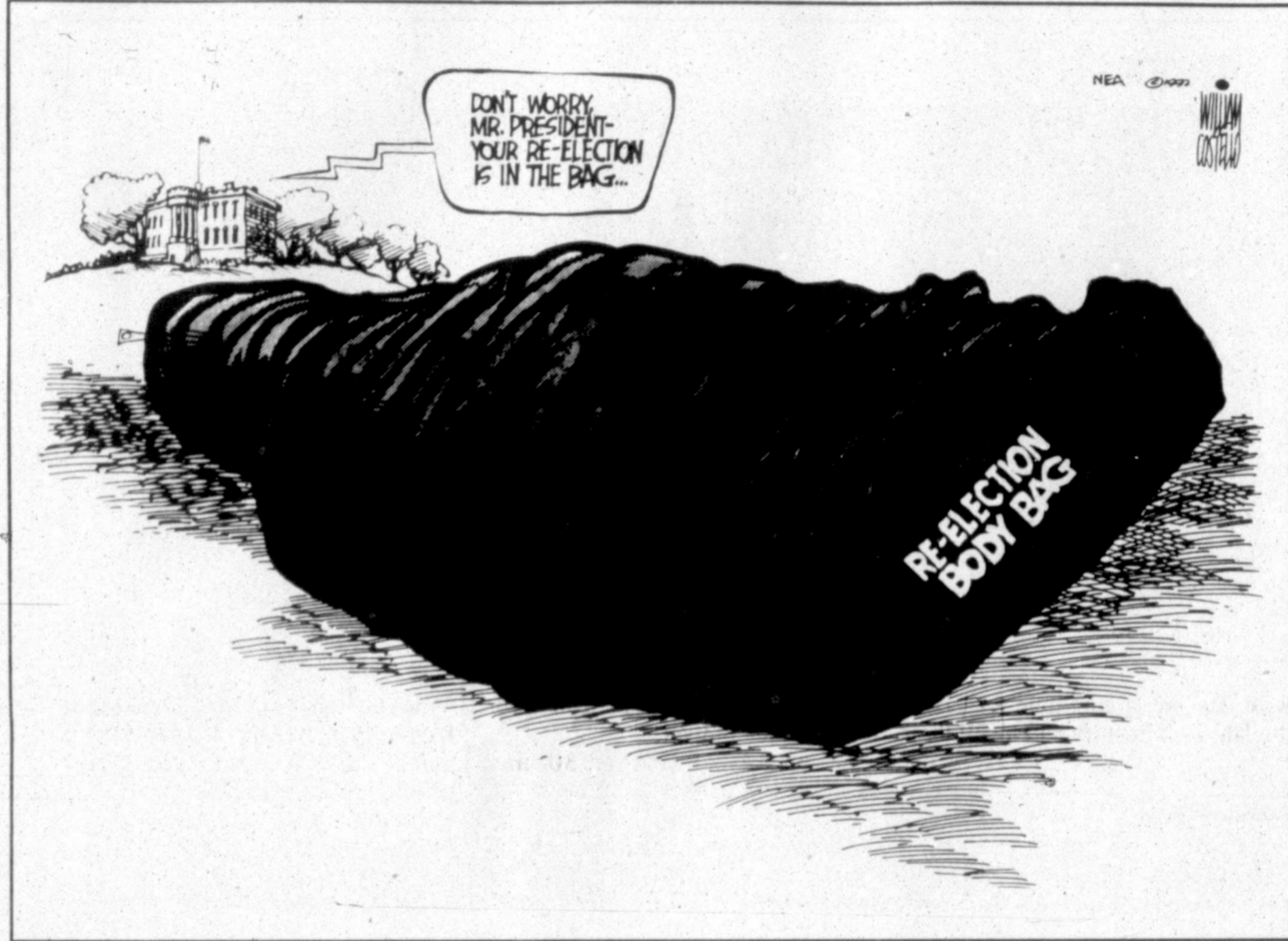
In 1774, the First Continental Congress adjourned in Philadelphia.

In 1825, the Erie Canal opened, connecting Lake Erie and the Hudson River.

In 1942, 50 years ago, the U.S. ship Hornet was sunk in the Battle of Santa Cruz Islands during World War II.

In 1949, President Truman signed a measure raising the minimum wage from 40 to 75 cents an hour.

In 1957, the Soviet Union announced that defense minister Marshal Georgi Zhukov had been relieved of his duties.



## The case for vegetarianism

If your doctor is reluctant to prescribe over the phone, it's because experience has taught him that what helps one person may hurt another.

A percentage of his patients are allergic even to aspirin.

Similarly, the Garden of Eden diet for humans may or may not be best for all individuals.

There are centenarians who have smoked and drunk and eaten meat all their lives.

But one man's meat, says the old say, may be another man's poison.

In some religions vegetarianism dates back thousands of years.

Our nation's earliest scientific research was conducted mostly by Loma Linda, a Seventh Day Adventist university.

Adventist Elder George Vandeman has "digested" the most recent clinical and empirical evidence, and much of what I am about to relate derives from those studies.

Middle-age males who regularly eat meat suffer from fatal coronary disease three times more often than vegetarian men of the same age.

Meat-based diet has been linked to a disproport-



**Paul Harvey**

ionate incidence of breast and colon cancer, high cholesterol, high blood pressure, angina pectoris, osteoporosis, kidney stones, urinary stones and rheumatoid arthritis.

Now the good news: Several studies demonstrate that many such health problems can be reversed with a vegetarian diet.

But don't beefcake athletes need beefsteak?

Dave Scott is a six-time winner of the grueling Ironman Triathlon.

This event involves swimming in the ocean 2.4 miles, then biking 112 miles and finally running a 26.2-mile marathon.

He's won the annual even six times, and Dave Scott holds the record of 8 hours, 28 minutes and 27 seconds — at the age of 37.

He's been a vegetarian for the past 15 years.

Where does he get the necessary protein? Soybeans are almost "pure protein." Dave says he enjoys vegetarian recipes that include soy meal and the soy derivative, tofu. Tofu he eats every day.

Cindy New of Montreal won this year's Montreal Marathon; she has been a vegetarian for the past 12 years.

She says most world-class runners, experimenting with high-energy foods, have become vegetarians.

She says nuts, grains and vegetables provide all the protein necessary for good health and vigor.

While school lunches continue to include mostly fatty food, Phil Shanholtzer of the United States Department of Agriculture says that policy is being re-evaluated.

(Elder George Vandeman, Box 0, Thousand Oaks, Calif. 91360, offers a free booklet containing "375 Meatless Recipes," if you are interested.)

## Uncovering the Foodgate conspiracy

Several readers, perhaps aware of the many years I toiled in the fields of investigative journalism, have requested that I get to the bottom of the Foodgate scandal.

Why is it, they ask, that good, solid foodstuffs — say bacon, or beef or eggs — that sustained our grandparents through seven-plus decades of existence suddenly get nailed by some medical journal or team of doctors as hazardous to our health? Or that one week it's high cholesterol that's plugging our tubes and the next week it's low cholesterol we have to worry about?

I argued to my petitioners that I have graduated from muckraking to hell-raising and have no desire to get back in the gutter — and then came the two most recent Foodgate incidents.

First, there was the claim by the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine that cow's milk is a foul fluid that can cause digestive problems, allergies and even juvenile diabetes. Said one of the doctors: "There's no reason to drink cow's milk at any time in your life. It was designed for calves, not for humans." Children could get their calcium, he said, from such nutritious sources as prunes, anchovies, tofu, kale and kelp.

Then there was the margarine scare. The Department of Agriculture conducted a study which purports to show that the butter substitute — used on or in everything from anisette cookies to zucchini bread — has something in it called trans fatty acids and that these things contribute to heart disease.



**Joseph Spear**

We now, what does a red-blooded reported do after he's been scared off of alcohol and then learns he can't even indulge in milk and cookies? He investigates, that's what.

First thing I discovered is that someone has been after margarine and milk for some time. Two years ago, a couple of Dutch scientists published a report in the New England Journal of Medicine that alleged that margarine raised the risk of heart disease. And back in 1989, there was a double assault on milk. First it was said that milk cartons contained the toxic chemical dioxin and that it was leaching into the product. Then a Belgian study asserted that milk causes insomnia in infants.

The second thing I discovered was a pattern of touts and scares. First a foodstuff is praised as a mother lode of nutrients that can cure anything from anemia to varicose veins. Then, overnight, it is found to cause cancer or cholesterol problems, or at minimum to be an ineffective elixir. To wit:

• Fish oils. Taking it is supplements lowered cholesterol levels, they said. Then came a 1989 study in the Annals of Internal Medicine which said that fish oil do nothing to cholesterol levels, except perhaps increase the bad kind.

• Sushi. It kept the Japanese skinny and brainy and energetic, they said. Then came a team off doctors from the University of California who reported that some people who had eaten raw fish were coughing up live parasitic worms.

• Broccoli. Best cancer fighter in Mother Nature's arsenal, said a team of Johns Hopkins researchers. Then came reports that broccoli farmers lace it with parathion, a possible carcinogen. Then came a president of the United States who said he detests the vegetable and made faces when he talked about it.

• Oat bran. It lowers cholesterol, they said. Then came a team of Harvard doctors who said the only thing special about oat bran is that it tastes like toasted cardboard.

The third thing I discovered was the cabal behind the Foodgate scandal. The culprit is — you are reading it here for the first time — the Turnip Underground. This radical group of turnip farmers is conspiring to traduce the reputation of every food substance on the planet — pickles, Buffalo wings, Snickers bars, you name it. When there is nothing left but turnips, the growers will be rolling in clover.

Of course, we'll have to eat them raw because there won't be anything left that's safe to fry them in.

# Lifestyles

## Pampans - having fun as usual

With the time change, it's earlier than you think. Let's look back a whole week and see what happened around town.

Bill Abbott's pyracantha bushes in White Deer received a severe pruning last week for a good cause. Bill and Vina, Wilson and Irma Puryear, Roy and Elsie Floyd, Joe and Sarah Wheeley served as hosts for the Pampal Retirees Club's monthly covered dish dinner. Vina and Sarah pruned the bushes for bouquets to go with sugar pumpkins from Lori Albus' pumpkin patch for an autumn setting. The host guys barbecued chickens. Jerry Moore, plant manager, spoke informally to the group of 52 retirees and three guests, Jerry and Linda and Doug Locke.

Side note: While down state recently Chuck and Lori Albus strapped a seat belt around a 75 pound pumpkin and brought it home in good shape like a back seat passenger.

Club members will assist a group from the plant in hosting a Halloween party for employees' children on Tuesday evening. There will be 12 booths, a costume contest, a cake walk of 10 homemade cakes. Chuck and Lori will use their secret recipe to make 60 pounds of chili for hot dogs andrito pies and won't bat an eye at the task.

Residents of Coronado Nursing Center turned out en masse last Tuesday for the religious service conducted by members of Central Baptist Church, a weekly event. In the absence of the Rev. Norman Rushing, Zan Walker gave a devotional on autumn and the changing of seasons. Elva Ring, Kay Harris, Joan Walters, Mary Conner and Naomi White served plan angel food cake and punch.

By invitation Chuck Albus was one of two Knights of Columbus to greet attendants at the tribute to Columbus evening performed by the Amarillo Symphony at the Amarillo



Peeking at Pampa  
By Katie

Civic Center. Chuck wore the full regalia of the fourth degree complete with black cape lined in green and a chapeau with a large green plume. Very impressive. Lori greeted, too.

A warm Pampa "Welcome!!!" to Dave Gill and family. Dave was named manager of human resources at the Pampa plant of Hoechst-Celanese. He and his wife Marsha are parents of David, a student at the University of Houston; Scott, a high school junior with a lucrative business in Houston as a disc jockey with his own equipment; and a daughter Lindsey, age six, who is a clogger. Dave, a native of Kingman, Ariz., is anxious to be a part of the community.

Carl and Lavada Warner returned from a two or three week Mediterranean cruise, a 50th wedding anniversary gift from their children.

Nancy Davis spent several days in Rogers, Ark., on family business.

Lilith Brainard spent several days in the Dearborn, Mich., area. Several people who toured Russia together met for a visit and to review each other's pictures and notes. The weather? Rain, sleet, sunshine, fog, wind, maybe a little snow.

The Buddy Guinn family (he's the manager of Albertson's) vacationed in Salt Lake City, Utah and around.

Recovery wishes to Joe Van Zandt, recovering from injuries from a great big kick from a horse or cow on his farm.

Loraine Fite was seen in the grocery store a few days ago sans a cane. Loraine recently suffered a bro-

ken hip. Determination is a big part of recovery, huh?

Clients and friends of Yong and Aaron Menkhoff and family wish them well on their move to Amarillo. Yong's patrons of many years are having trouble selecting a successor. Good luck to the family and patrons, too.

Cindy Kohler, formerly of Pampa, is on one of Bill Clinton's campaign advance teams. For the last few months she has been from one end of the United States to the other and was on two of his bus tours. She says the work is extremely demanding but very exciting and most likely a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Cindy works with Clinton's top aides and has taught a class in Little Rock to other people interested in being on one of the advance teams. She managed to get Gov. Clinton to personally autograph a photograph of himself to her mother, Nancy Whitten. It is Nancy's prized possession.

Congratulations to Georgia Mack on her 81st birthday. Rho Eta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi is honoring her by declaring October Georgia Mack Month. She sponsored the chapter for 26 years, holding life membership.

A closing reminder: You still have a few days to celebrate October as Popcorn Poppin' Month. Yummeeee! Do make plans to now to attend the annual Sausage Festival prepared by members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in White Deer. Their food is yummeeee, too! See you next week, Katie.

## A work of art



Cool morning temperatures produced a dew that highlights this spider's web in Leak County, Miss. The pattern resembles fine crochet work. (AP Photo)

## 'Operation Wise Buy' focuses on consumer purchasing power

"Operation Wise Buy" has been selected by the U.S. Office of Consumer Affairs as the theme of National Consumer Week 1992. This year, the week will be celebrated October 25-31 and will focus on the power individual consumers possess to exercise the right judgment in making marketplace decisions.

Your actions in the marketplace make a big difference to everyone, including other consumers and business people. Knowing your rights and responsibilities in the marketplace can help you understand what is expected of you and of businesses where you shop.

In the early 1960s, President Kennedy provided leadership in paving the way for consumer protection laws. He declared that consumers have certain rights in the marketplace:

- (1) The right to safety - You should expect that everything you buy will be safe and not harm others or the environment if used properly;
  - (2) The right to information - You should be able to get enough information before you buy so that you can make informed purchase decisions;
  - (3) The right to choose among a variety of products - You should be able to shop where you want and buy what you want;
  - (4) The right to redress - You should expect business to make adjustments when you buy products that are unsatisfactory.
- These consumer rights define what the consumer can expect in the marketplace, but they also carry certain responsibilities. Mature consumers recognize that both the buyer and seller need to cooperate



Homemakers' News  
Donna Brauchi

with each other. As consumers, you have the responsibility to:

- (1) Be informed about the quality of products you are interested in buying;
- (2) Use good shopping practices;
- (3) Carefully choose goods that will best satisfy your needs - Looking for high quality merchandise and/or service in relation to price;
- (4) Use your purchase properly and give them the care they need in order to get the most for our money;
- (5) Handle merchandise carefully;
- (6) Act honestly - Never shoplifting, changing price tags, opening packages in the store, or writing bad checks. Every dishonest or inconsiderate consumer act raises the price of goods and services for all consumers;
- (7) Make appropriate complaints when you receive faulty merchandise;
- (8) Insist on proper adjustments if merchandise or service is faulty - but don't abuse the privilege of returning items to the store;
- (9) Stay informed of existing legislation and regulatory agencies that serve your needs as consumers;
- (10) Watch out for fraudulent or

misleading advertising and sales schemes.

Consumers have several sources of protection to ensure that the goods and services we purchase are safe and work satisfactorily. We are protected by federal and state government policy which establishes rules intended to protect consumers against fraud in the marketplace. Agencies charged with consumer protection responsibilities include: Federal Trade Commission, Food and Drug Administration, Consumer Product Safety Commission, and the Consumer Protection Division of the Texas Attorney General's Office.

The government also protects consumers by providing information through publications. Your Gray County Extension Office as do the Government Printing Office and U.S. Office of Consumer Affairs. Check with your Extension Office in the Courthouse Annex for Extension information related to agriculture, home economics, youth development, horticulture, and leadership. Write the Consumer Information Center, Pueblo, Colorado 81009 for a catalog of other government publications.

In addition to government sources of protection, reputable businesses recognize the value of cooperating with consumers. Reputable manufacturers and dealers usually warranty or guarantee their products or services against defects, and many companies have consumer affairs representatives who work to help customers reconcile consumer problems satisfactorily.

Implement "Operation Wise Buy", as a consumer during this National Consumer Week!

## Opera portrays teen immigrants adjustment to America

LOS ANGELES (AP) — From the personal stories of teen-age immigrants; from their confusion, dreams, disappointments and laughter, Edward Barnes has crafted an opera.

"A Place to Call Home" began as a touring show

designed to introduce live theater to Los Angeles high school students. It was then revised and expanded for performances at the John Anson Ford Cultural Center in Hollywood, under the auspices of the Los Angeles Music Center Opera.

"I went to a high school and interviewed about 15 immigrants from Vietnam, Guatemala, Iran, Iraq, El Salvador," said Barnes, 34, who also talked to university students at the Central American Refugee Center in downtown Los Angeles.

## Vintage auto and oil company equipment boon to collectors

By COUNTRY LIVING  
For AP Special Features

Americans addicted to petroliana will travel hundreds of miles and pay thousands of dollars for auto and oil company equipment ranging from old gas pumps to grease containers, oil cans and road maps.

Collectors of vintage petroliana have been known to cut holes in their living room ceilings to accommodate a prized pump and globe, according to an article in the current issue of Country Living, and some decorate their garages with signs, maps, oil bottles and brass nozzles.

"For a few car collectors, the 'ultimate' is filling your antique vehicle with gas from a vintage pump," said Scott Anderson, an Iowa petroliana collector and dealer.

Anderson called it "a market as volatile as gasoline."

Some petroliana fans specialize in a particular brand or company. Jerry Keyser, Ohio editor and publisher of the bimonthly magazine of the 3,000-member Petroliana Collectors Association, has an almost complete collection of Sunoco road maps, as well as artifacts from Sohio, the Standard Oil Company of Ohio venture financed in 1870 by John Davison Rockefeller.

According to the book "Check the Oil: Gas Station Collectibles and Prices," by Anderson and his

wife, Debbie, automobile drivers in the late 19th century had to fill their tanks from bulk oil stations at the edge of town or smaller in-town suppliers like the local livery stable, blacksmith or general store.

Using a 5-gallon measuring can and gravity, motorists drew off gasoline from above-ground storage drums and then poured the fuel through a funnel directly into their automobile engines.

In 1905, Sylvanus Bowser invented the first outdoor pump to dispense either kerosene or gasoline. The same year, what may have been the first drive-in filling station opened in St. Louis with a novel gravity-feed pump that incorporated an old water heater, a measuring gauge and a garden hose.

By 1915, visible cylinder self-measuring pumps, underground storage, piston cranks and recording dials helped motorists and attendants measure and pump fuel into their touring cars.

By 1925, almost 200 pump manufacturers operated in the United States. Competition led to ornate trim and polished brass accessories, sleek curves and tapers, and special features such as optional air.

Electric motor-driven gasoline pumps began replacing the slower, more dangerous visible pumps by the late 1920s. The new devices indicated the metered amount of gasoline by means of a clock-face

dial and the "ding" of a bell for each gallon pumped.

Collectors older than 30 may remember the sound of the bell, which continued to be built throughout the 1940s and 1950s. Pumps and globes from this era, some with a glass bull's-eye in the middle through which gasoline could be seen flowing, are "super popular right now," Anderson said.

Generally, unrestored vintage pumps cost \$50 to \$750, although a real devotee may drop \$3,000 for a restored 1920s Fry Model 117 pump, known for its curvaceous shape as the "Mae West Fry."

Glass globes — or illuminated standards — are also sought-after collectibles, particularly those with bold graphics, bright colors and designs depicting cars, buffalo, airplanes or American Indians.

Depending on the advertising globe's age, beauty, condition and production numbers, prices range from \$50 to \$4,500.

The intense interest in automotive and petroleum collectibles is one reason why fewer vintage pieces can be discovered on farms or abandoned filling stations along back roads.

The main sources for petroliana today are flea markets and auctions, as well as fellow collectors, dealers and shows specializing in petroliana, antique automobiles and coin-operated machines.

## Couple are worlds apart in planning trip abroad

DEAR ABBY: I have recently come into a large sum of money (six figures). Now for my problem: I've been planning a two-month vacation for my boyfriend and me. I'm 37 and he's 35. I have told him that I would be willing to pay for airfare to and accommodations in the south of France. All he would have to do is save enough for his spending money.

Abby, he has shown very little interest in this trip, so I went ahead and made all the reservations for plane and hotel accommodations to Paris, where we will rent a car and drive to Nice.

It seems every time I mention this trip, he complains about the hassle of passports, booster shots, etc. I can't understand his attitude. We have gone together for four years and could never afford a trip out of the country before, and now that I'm giving him the opportunity, he seems bored with it all.

Am I wasting my time? Should I continue with these plans or forget the whole thing? Who in his right mind wouldn't jump at the chance for a free trip? What do you think, Abby?

UPSET IN VANCOUVER, B.C.

DEAR UPSET: I think you're not getting the message. For whatever reason, your



Dear Abby  
Abigail Van Buren

boyfriend is much less interested in foreign travel than you are. You could save yourself a rude awakening (and a lot of money) if you went without him. Why don't you consider it? You will soon find out if he's the man for you — or just a four-year habit.

DEAR ABBY: My family and I live in an upper middle-class residential neighborhood. Upon returning home from work today, I noticed that some prankster had thrown an egg at my front door. The same thing happened several years ago around Halloween. At that time, my housekeeper actually saw the kid throw it.

We confronted the parents and were not too surprised when they jumped to their child's defense.

They even accused my housekeeper of having lied when she said she had seen the boy throw it!

Since there was no eyewitness to today's event, I can't make baseless accusations, although, I must admit, I have my suspicions. I suppose I should be grateful that the egg could be scrubbed off, although I was tired and irritable.

I know worse stunts could have been pulled, but I hope that if kids read your column (I know mine do), they will realize how poorly such stunts reflect on themselves and their upbringing.

EGGED ON  
IN OVERLAND PARK, KAN.

DEAR EGGED ON: I see nothing amusing about defacing property. If this happens again, call the parents of the child you suspect and share your feelings. And if that doesn't put a stop to it, talk to your local police. They might like to keep a file on the youngster while the crimes are still "petty."



## Take Another Look.

In 18 months on the Railroad Commission, Lena Guerrero earned a distinguished record of achievement.

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## Comic Page

### The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- Married woman's title
- Electrical unit
- Mother of Mile.
- List of names
- Over there
- Needle case
- Awry
- King
- Make moist
- creek
- Thorough
- Crazier
- Cry of pain
- Disagreeable sight
- Heat unit (abbr.)
- Sibling of sis
- Convent
- Forbids
- Idle
- Positive trend

**DOWN**

- TV's talking horse (2 wds.)
- List of people
- Poor area
- Wander aimlessly
- Witch
- Do better than
- Comedian — Cohen
- Trailed
- Farmyard sound
- Pointed parts
- Tiny bit
- Food additive (abbr.)
- Newspaper notice
- Fishing aids
- Call — day
- Foxy
- A cheer

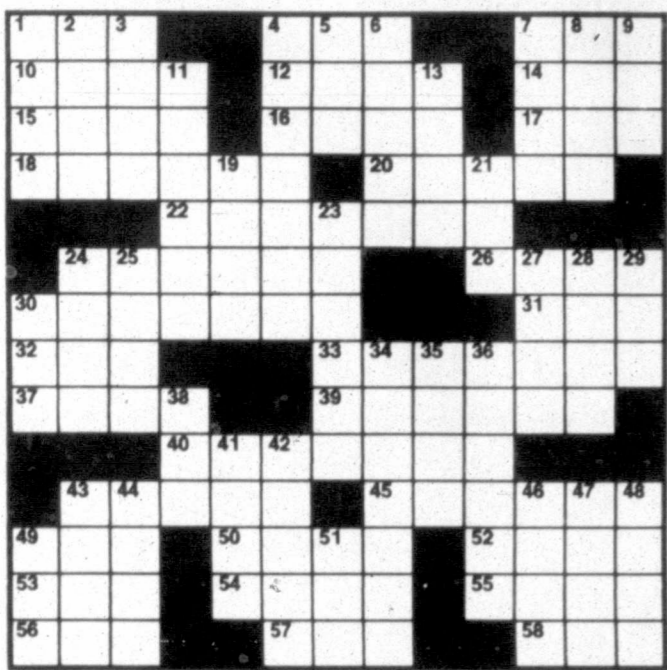
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TOUSLED	ODDLY
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VINO	AID
ABA	HAT
CLIPS	FOOLISH
KIOSK	OUTVOTE
TIS	GREENER

**7 Legend**  
8 Grimace  
9 Noun suffix  
11 Fats, e.g.  
13 Clan  
19 Opposite of ecto  
21 — will be

**23 Before this time**  
24 — Breckinridge  
25 Vast period of time  
27 Glazes  
28 Peel  
29 Bridge expert

**30 Subside**  
34 Public service  
35 Actress Foch  
36 Head  
38 Over (pref.)  
41 Somewhat (mus.)  
42 Haughty ones  
43 Superlative word  
44 Exercise system  
46 Patron  
47 Miss Kett of the comics  
48 Cook's measure  
49 2,001, Roman  
51 Nothing



### WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

Thurman is going to run for class president?

Yep. And I'm going to be his campaign manager.

It will be my job to counter our opponents' advertising and to redefine their public image.

How will you do that, Joey?

Mostly by drawing warts on their campaign posters.

### ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

MOM! WHERE ARE MY SHOES?

I DON'T KNOW!

DID YOU FIND YOUR SHOES? WE'RE GOING TO BE LATE!

YOU MEAN YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY ARE?

### ECK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

WHAT HAPPENS IF THE ELECTION ENDS IN A TIE...

AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IS SPLIT DOWN THE MIDDLE TOO?

NO PROBLEM...

LARRY KING DECIDES

### B.C.

By Johnny Hart

THE CHOICES LOOK AWFULLY BLEAK THIS YEAR...

YEAH

HEY...WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF NOBODY SHOWED UP TO VOTE?

I GUESS CONGRESS WOULD HAVE TO CHOOSE A WINNER.

BOY, THEN THEY'D NEVER HAVE A PRESIDENT.

YEAH

### MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

JEFF, REMEMBER WHEN WE WERE TEENAGERS, HOW OUR PARENTS USED TO TELL US TO TURN DOWN OUR MUSIC OR WE'D RUIN OUR HEARING?

WELL, THE "GRATEFUL DEAD" WERE NO MATCH FOR MARVIN.

WHAT? WHAT?...

By Tom Armstrong

WHAT? WHAT?...

### MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

"No, you cannot come in and window droll."

### KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

FLEA MOTHERS

HEY, YOU KIDS! STOP PLAYING WITH YOUR DINNER!

### ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

D'YOU HAVE ANYTHING WITH YOU TO FIX THAT FUEL LINE?

NO, I'LL HAVE TO GET A PIECE OF TUBING AND SOME TOOLS!

HEY, MEBBE THESE FARMS MIGHT HAVE SOMETHIN'...

By Dave Graue

THE PLANE'LL HAVE TO WAIT, AL! RIGHT NOW THERE'S ANOTHER MATTER I HAVE TO ATTEND TO!

WHAT'S THAT?

GETTING MY MAIL TO CHICAGO!

### WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

I DON'T WANT FRIENDS... WHAT DO I NEED WITH FRIENDS?

AFTER ALL, YOU CAN'T HIT FRIENDS...

By Dick Cavalli

UNLESS ALL YOUR ENEMIES HAPPEN TO BE OUT OF TOWN.

### SNAFU

By Bruce Beattie

"You can't be worrying about what to wear to the high school prom! This is only fifth grade!"

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane

"He won't let anybody else have the ball. He hasn't learned about sharing."

### CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

I LOVE RECESS!

TWO MINUTES AGO, I WAS EATING DEVILLED HAM, CHOCOLATE MILK, GRAPES, AND ICE CREAM.

AND NOW I'M RUNNING AROUND ON A PLAYGROUND FULL OF NAUSEA-INDUCING, DISORIENTING MOTION DEVICES.

By Bill Watterson

IT'S THE ONE TIME AT SCHOOL I GET SOME SOLITUDE.

### THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

I JUST FLEW IN FROM TORONTO!

HAVE A GOOD TRIP?

By Art and Chip Sansom

YOU BET! SAT IN FIRST-CLASS!

GEE, ISN'T THAT AWFULLY EXPENSIVE?

By Art and Chip Sansom

NOT IF YA DON'T GET CAUGHT!

### FRANK AND ERNEST

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PUMPKIN!

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I CAN'T STAND IT!

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### Astro-Graph

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**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Your possibilities for personal gain are very strong in this cycle, owing more to the input of others than to your own plan. Flow with events; don't try to alter them. 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 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** The hopes you aspire to have very good chances of being realized in this cycle. However, you mustn't be discouraged if events don't conform to your timetable. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Don't retreat from challenging developments today just because the odds seem to be against you. Actually, you're the one with the edge and, if you do your best, luck may do the rest.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** An exciting new friend could enter your life at this time. This individual, who was born far from where you were born, will have a positive effect on your affairs.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Greater benefits are likely at this time from joint ventures rather than from things you attempt on your own. One endeavor, in particular, could be outstanding.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Conditions are favorable today where contracts or agreements are concerned. Bargain fairly, but be sure that when you give up something, you get a little back in return.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Take special pride in your work today, particularly if you're an employee rather than an employer. A job well done could have benefits that aren't readily apparent.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** There are two areas in which you could be luckier than usual today. One pertains to partnership arrangements, the other deals with matters of the heart.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** A constructive reversal could occur today in a matter whose outcome you've been dubious about. Chance may play an important role in this situation.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Involvements you have with influential contacts could prove exceptionally rewarding in this cycle. Favors have a good chance of being granted — if you make your needs known.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Devote maximum effort to situations today that can enhance your material security or increase your earnings. The probability for success is strong.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Your enthusiasm is contagious today. If you desire, you should be able to interest others in things that interest you. Get your bandwagon rolling.









# Jackson attracts early voters on swing through Texas

HOUSTON (AP) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson's cross-state campaign to lure Texans to the polls has brought out hundreds.

Jackson rallied bus loads of registered voters Sunday and led them in a procession to an early voting site in downtown Houston. He then headed to Beaumont and San Antonio.

His efforts in Beaumont were not successful. Jackson and more than 50 would-be voters found themselves locked out, calling the closing of the polls, "a scheme to disenfranchise the voters of Beaumont."

Officials say part of the closure problem might have been due to the time change.

Jackson said he would file a complaint with the U.S. Justice Department, according to the *Beaumont Enterprise*.

His tour continued today in Austin, Odessa and Dallas.

"I see an upturn in hope. That's what the registration is turning up," Jackson said. "I see students who are voting who have been lodged in indifference for 10 or 12 years. I see workers who have dropped out through cynicism voting. I see

homeless people giving churches as their residence's address voting.

"People are literally turning from polarization and cynicism to hope, using the vote as a weapon. That's what will bring a record turnout," Jackson said. "There is a tidal wave of hope in contrast to a kind of sea of stagnation and pain."

Harris County Clerk Anita Rodeheaver said 350 people voted during the two hours Jackson's followers filed through the Cotton Exchange building. Some 3,134 voters had cast early ballots by 3 p.m. Sunday.

"I'm delighted. I'm thrilled to death," she said, adding that she was tracked down at a beauty parlor to come help about 75 other workers process the crowd. "I hope it continues right on through the election."

Texas and Colorado permit early balloting, which in Texas began Oct. 14. During the first week, the number of in-person voters doubled that of the same period in the 1990 elections in Houston, Fort Worth and San Antonio.

While Jackson encouraged voters to voice their sentiments, he still pushed a party line, saying Democratic presidential hopeful Bill Clinton

maintains a strong lead over President Bush.

Jackson took jabs at Bush for the Iran-Contra scandal, the troubled economy, the investigation of Clinton and Clinton's mother's travel records and for claiming a Houston hotel suite as his legal residence.

"Bush said over and over again he was not connected in any way — he was not in the 'loop' in the Iran-Contra-Iraq-gate scandal. It is clear that he has lied to the American public."

The Nov. 2 issue of *The New Yorker* magazine, which hit newsstands this weekend, said then-Vice President Bush joined a Reagan administration plan to escalate the Iran-Iraq war and thus free U.S. hostages in Lebanon.

The publication said Bush asked Jordan's King Hussein and Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak in 1986 to urge Saddam Hussein to bomb deep inside Iranian territory.

The purpose of the supposed plan was to force Iran to turn to the United States for missiles and other weapons, *The New Yorker* said.

"He said he was out of the loop, but now he's in the soup," Jackson said.



The Rev. Jesse Jackson talks with the media after arriving at the Harris County Courthouse with three bus loads of people for early voting in Houston Sunday. (AP Photo)

# Clinton takes Southern bus tour, Bush heads West in final days

Democrat Bill Clinton suggested today that he and not independent candidate Ross Perot represented the only "practical alternative" to President Bush and reminded voters he now has support from the architect of Perot's economic plan.

Clinton, appearing on live "town meeting" on the CBS Morning News, said Perot "hopes the anti-Bush vote will be divided and he can sneak up through the middle."

Earlier, in remarks to reporters in Winston-Salem, N.C., Clinton called Perot's allegations that Republican dirty tricksters had sought to disrupt his daughter's wedding "strange."

Asked if he thought Perot's recent spurt in the polls could upset the dynamics of the race and hand a victory to Bush, Clinton said: "That's for you all to say. I'm just going to keep on working."

He made the comments as he and running mate Sen. Al Gore began a bus tour of North Carolina.

In the CBS appearance, the Arkansas governor, who retains at least a 10 point lead over Bush in the latest polls despite a recent narrowing of the gap, sought to shrug off Perot as a serious candidate.

If voters "want to replace George Bush, they have only one practical alternative," Clinton said.

"And I've got a good plan," Clinton said, referring to his own economic proposals. He noted that the principal author of Perot's plan to cut the federal deficit with sharp spending cuts and tax increases, John White, had endorsed him.

"The guy who wrote the Perot plan is now going around the country endorsing me," Clinton said.

People dressed for work sat on chairs in a children's playground in the Winston-Salem YMCA for the live broadcast, with Clinton and Gore perched on stools.

Clinton was asked by reporters before the TV show what he thought of Perot's latest "dirty tricks" allegation against the Republicans. "I don't know what to say about it — it's strange."

He said rather than having candidates accusing one another of investigating each other's children "I think we'd be a lot better shape if we spent the rest of the campaign



Former President Bush supporters Chris Bennett, right, of Saginaw, Mich., wearing a Bush mask, and his wife Meg Bennett, left, attend the Clinton rally Saturday.

worrying about the problems of the rest of the children." Both sides this morning took note of the narrowing

margin. Bush campaign senior adviser Charles Black said on NBC's "Today" show that "Gov. Clinton is dropping like a rock" while Clinton strategists Paul Begala said "the race is definitely tightening."

"The last thing the voters want to be told is that the race is over," Begala said. "... We're just going to fight like hell. We're not going to take this thing for granted."

Vice President Dan Quayle, in an interview on ABC's "Good Morning America," made a direct appeal to Perot voters. "Look, we're frustrated with what's going on in Washington, we're frustrated with the lack of a strong economic recovery ..."

Clinton and Gore, after appearing live this morning on a CBS "Town Meeting," planned to roll across North Carolina in a form of campaigning they have utilized repeatedly since the end of the Democratic convention.

In what could be the campaign's final bus tour, Clinton and Gore will visit traditional GOP bastions that Democrats this year see as a clear target of opportunity.

Bush, in Billings, Mont., jogged a couple of miles down a country road at sunrise and when he passed a feedlot with a number of mooing cows one of the reporters with him asked if he expected to find any voters there. "We'll try to sign 'em up," Bush said.

When the cows kept mooing, Bush looked at them and said: "Be quiet."

Bush was headed to three states where he's behind Clinton in the polls — Colorado, New Mexico and Iowa.

Clinton and Bush took swings at Perot, putting aside the gentle treatment they have accorded him in the past. The billionaire independent has climbed in the polls to near 20 percent.

While no one had any expectations that Perot could rise far enough in the polls to be a true contender, the Dallas businessman was once again poised to be a factor in a number of key states — potentially affecting the outcome in those states.

Perot, who ventured out on the stump at rallies in New Jersey and Pennsylvania for the first time since he renewed his campaign Oct. 1, said Sunday that said a plot by Republican operatives to smear his daughter by distribut-

in; a "fake photograph" of her before her wedding had prompted his abrupt withdrawal from the campaign in July.

"It's preposterous. ... It never happened," said presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater. "There haven't been any dirty tricks against Ross Perot. This business about his daughter is just crazy and he's been told that and he knows that."

Clinton, speaking at a rally Sunday in the Detroit suburb of Sterling Heights, took pokes at both Bush and Perot.

Noting earlier reports — disputed by Perot — that Perot had hired a private detective to investigate Bush's children, the Arkansas governor said Perot was claiming "that Mr. Bush is investigating his children. Mr. Bush has already said that Mr. Perot investigated his children. They're worried about investigating each other's children."

"I'll tell you what, I want to investigate your children — their future, their problems, their promise," he told a cheering crowd of more than 10,000.

## Poll: Perot gained at Clinton's expense

NEW YORK (AP) — The voter support Ross Perot gained after the presidential debates came at Bill Clinton's expense more than President Bush's, by a 3-2 ratio, a new poll says.

The Times Mirror Center for The People & The Press said Sunday that its poll found many voters have reconsidered Perot and that Republican attacks have hurt Clinton's image. However, opinions of Bush have not changed much, it said.

The findings were based on re-interviews Tuesday through Thursday with 1,153 registered voters previously polled Oct. 8-12. About one in five voters changed allegiance.

Clinton fell 4 points, to 44 percent; Bush slipped 1 point, to 34 percent; Perot shot up 11 points, to 19 percent.

## Sale of previously owned homes down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales of previously owned homes fell 0.9 percent in September to the lowest level since January, according to figures released by a real estate trade group today.

Although it was the second straight decline nationally, the regional trend was mixed, with sales rising in the Northeast and South, while dropping in the Midwest and West.

The National Association of Realtors said sales of existing homes fell to 3.28 million at a seasonally adjusted annual rate in September, down from 3.31 million a month earlier.

The 4.1 percent decline in August was even sharper than the 3.2 percent estimate in the original report.

The 3.28 million rate in Septem-

ber was the lowest level since sales dropped to 3.22 million last January. It also was the sixth decline this year.

Sales of new homes also fell in August. The government is scheduled to report on September activity on Friday.

"Even with very favorable home buying conditions, consumers are holding back due to the sluggish growth of the economy," said Dorcas T. Helfant, the Realtors' president.

Both mortgage rates and home prices declined in September.

Thirty-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 7.92 percent, the lowest monthly average since a 7.73 percent rate in June 1973. But rates have edged up since September, reaching 8.23 percent during the week ended

last Friday, the highest since 8.29 percent during the week ended July 2.

The Realtors also said the national median price of a home fell 1.3 percent in September, to \$103,200. The median means half of the homes cost more and half cost less.

Regionally, the West posted the steepest decline, down 5.6 percent to a 670,000 annual rate. The median price there was up 5.2 percent, to \$145,200. Sales slipped 4.1 percent, to 870,000, in the Midwest, where the median price slipped 1 percent to \$81,300.

But in the Northeast, sales rose 1.9 percent, to 530,000. The median price dropped 3.5 percent, to \$137,000. Sales in the South were up 0.8 percent, to a 1.21 million rate. The median price fell 3.7 percent to \$91,700.

## Astronauts measure ozone, test new toilet

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Columbia's astronauts woke up to a celebrity greeting this morning from June Lockhart, star of TV's "Lost in Space."

The crew awakened to the song "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise," which NASA said was written by Gene Lockhart.

"His daughter, June — who needs no introduction, I'm sure — is in the (Mission Control) viewing room this morning and sends her best wishes," Mission Control said.

"Well, great. Thanks a lot. We'll have to see if we can learn that song," shuttle commander James Wetherbee replied.

Ms. Lockhart starred in "Lassie" as well as the 1960s series about a marooned family of space travelers.

On Sunday, the astronauts aimed monitors at the rising and setting sun to gauge concentrations of ozone, oxygen and nitrogen compounds in Earth's atmosphere.

Crew members also tested a new urinal that together with a commode will replace the shuttle's current bathroom, which tends to clog. They flushed water through it, videotaping the action and beaming it down to the ground.

NASA engineer and toilet designer Hubert Brasseaux Jr. said the principle of the new urinal is essentially the same as the old one: Air sucks urine to a fan that separates the liquid from the air. The urine is pumped into a waste tank, and the air is filtered and then returned to the cabin.

The fan separator has two motors, one for pumping and one for air flow. The old system has one motor.

The entire new toilet — both urinal and commode — will make its space debut aboard Endeavour in January.

Brasseaux said the new system — besides clogging less — can accommodate more solid waste, a crucial feature as NASA plans flights of more than two weeks.

Columbia's flight is scheduled to last 10 days and end Sunday with a Kennedy Space Center landing.

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