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TUESDAY

Iraqi forces withdrawing from Kuwait

By JOHN KING **Associated Press Writer**

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) – Saddam Hussein, his armies reeling from a monumental allied air and land assault, said today he had begun withdrawing his forces from Kuwait. But President Bush accused Saddam of "trying to claim victory in the midst of a rout," and pledged the war would not stop.

The Kuwaiti Information Ministry claimed Kuwait City was free, and CBS-TV reported that allied troops had entered the capital to a welcome of honking horns and waving flags. But the U.S. military said while many Iraqis were fleeing, others were still there and offering "stiff resistance," and tanks battled for the city's air-

"Today we will complete the withdrawal of our forces, God willing," Saddam told his war-wrecked nation in an address on Baghdad radio. He said the emirate he annexed in August was no longer part of Iraq.

But Bush, reading a statement in the White House Rose Garden, said Saddam's statement was "an outrage" – that Sassam had not agreed to U.N. resolutions on Kuwait, had expressed no remorse, and had accepted no responsibility for "the awful consequences" of his nation's aggression.

"Saddam is not interested in peace, but only to regroup and fight another day," he said.

Bush called on all Iraqi soldiers to lay down their arms, and said they would not be fired upon if they did.

The British War Cabinet agreed with Bush's assess-President Mikhail S. Gorbachev suggested that superpower relations could suffer unless "a great sense of responsibility" guided U.S. efforts to end the war.

Even as Saddam spoke, allied troops in the third day blocking their attempt to retreat toward Baghdad. The



Saddam Hussein

of a huge ground offensive were surging north into Iraq. U.S. military officials in the Saudi capital, Riyadh, said Iraqi forces in Kuwait were fleeing under fire.

"There are signs of Iraqi retreat as a result of pressure from coalition attacks," said a senior military offi- Page 5.) ment. But the Soviets urged an immediate cease-fire. cial, speaking on condition of anonymity. "This is to prevent annihilation."

> A senior Pentagon official said coalition forces had engaged key units of the Republican Guard, and were

Euphrates River to cut off the Guard's "fighting with-

"They're not fighting real well by our standards, but they are fighting," the official said of Iraq's best troops.

'We're outflanking them, we're outmaneuvering them and destroying them in place," said Marine Brig. Gen. Richard Neal, at an early evening briefing.

"Let there be no mistake, the war is not over," said the general, the chief of staff for the U.S. Central Com-

The allied forces are attacking the Iraqis in two main thrusts – a task force of 100,000 troops that has pushed into Iraq, outflanking the entrenched Guard; and a second drive through Kuwait to the capital.

ineffective 21 Iraqi divisions – some 200,000 men. At the war's start, Iraq had an estimated 545,000 soldiers their houses for nothing, just being in the country.' in Iraq and southern Kuwait.

He said coalition forces had destroyed more than 400 Iraqi tanks – up from the 270 reported Monday. Britain's 1st Armored Division engaged a large Iraqi force early

this morning and demolished 40 tanks, he said. Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency reported that Iraq had suffered the heaviest bombardment of the war, with allied overnight bombing concentrated along Iraq's

southern, southeastern and eastern regions. attack on a makeshift barracks in Saudi Arabia climbed to 28 U.S. troops killed, 100 injured. (See related story,

Otherwise, Neal said, the number of other American casualties in the third day of the ground offensive remained at four dead, 21 wounded.

official said allied troops had ranged as far north as the ly to the outbreak of the Persian Gulf War nearly six weeks ago with U.S.-led forces first pounding Iraq's army, industry and transportation by air, then launching a ground offensive on Sunday.

> Other than agreeing to withdraw, Saddam made no mention of complying with the U.N. resolutions, which include a call for war reparations to be paid by Iraq and for the renunciation of all Iraqi claims on Kuwait.

> All Kuwait City government buildings and hotels have been destroyed in the last three days by Iraqi troops using tanks and artillery, Col. Abu Fahad, a member of the Kuwaiti resistence in Kuwait City, told Cable News Network.

"It was unbelievable. No nation in the world saw what we've seen here," he said in the telephone inter-Neal said allied forces have destroyed or rendered view. "I have seen, by eyes, a lot of my friends and some of our guys executed in front of their families and

He said the Iraqis had taken thousands of prisoners with them, perhaps intending to use them as protection against the advancing allies.

In the speech to his people today, Saddam mentioned no conditions for withdrawal and portrayed Iraq's struggle as a heroic one, against great odds. Air-

raid sirens sounded briefly at one point in the speech. 'Applaud your victory, my dear citizens," Saddam said. "We have faced 30 countries and the evil they Meanwhile, the toll from Monday's Scud missile have brought here. And we have faced the whole world. ... In this mother of battles, we have succeeded in harvesting what we have sowed.'

The speech brought wild rejoicing in Baghdad. Celebratory gunfire erupted in the streets.

The capital city of 4 million people had been devastated by air raids that left it without power and drinking Saddam's seizure of Kuwait 6 1/2 months ago set in water, short on food and threatened by disease because motion months of efforts to get him out - and led final- its sewer system was wrecked.

Bush: Gulf War offensive will continue despite withdrawal

By WILLIAM M. WELCH **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) – President Bush declared today that the Persian Gulf War offensive will be waged "with undiminished intensity." He denounced Saddam Hussein's announced withdrawal from Kuwait as an outrageous attempt to regroup so that Iraq can fight another day.

"He is trying to claim victory in the midst of a rout," said Bush, effectively dismissing calls for a cease fire. He said coalition military schedule and that the liberation of Kuwait is near.

The president said Saddam retreat is an effort "to save the remnants of power and control in the Middle East by every means possible," and vowed that tactic will fail.

The president said the way for Iraqi forces to end the fighting is "to lay down their arms." He said there will be no attacks on unarmed soliders in retreat – but "we have no choice but to consider retreating combat units as a threat, and will respond accordingly.

Coalition military officials said some sort of an Iraqi withdrawal is indeed under way. Bush called that insufficient to end the war, and demanded full observance of all United Nations Security Council on. resolutions on Kuwait, starting with recognition that it is independent, not part of Iraq. He said Saddam has conquered nation.

withdrawing. His defeated forces

he is not voluntarily giving up renounce its annexation of Kuwait.

disclosed that massive coalition forces had engaged key units of off any attempted retreat to Baghdad.

close at hand," Bush said, praising this morning: "the magnificant, heroic performance of our armed forces.

renounced his claim to Kuwait, and has not accepted United Nations forces are ahead of their attack Security Council resolutions demanding not only unconditional withdrawal but also the restoration of the Kuwaiti government and surrender or both." reparations for war damage.

continue to prosecute the war with undiminished intensity," Bush said.

personally repeated, and toughened, ficult," said a senior British source. the position his spokesman already had announced.

An early morning statement and leave. from Marlin Fitzwater blasted Saddam's radio address, saying it "contains the same diatribe as his previous comments, with no commitment to comply with the 12 United Nations resolutions.'

Said Fitzwater, "His speech changes nothing ... The war goes canteens, but that's it."

The White House reacted coolly to the Iraqi withdrawal statements from the beginning, seeing no sign coalition conditions. Late Monday "Saddam's most recent speech is night, Bush tightened the terms for a

Fitzwater had lain the ground

Bush spoke as a Pentagon official work for the military's obligations during the uncertain Iraqi withdrawal.

"We will not attack unarmed Iraq's Republican Guard and met soldiers in retreat. But we will con-"sporadic" fighting. He said the sider retreating combat units as a coalition troops were poised to cut movement of war," he said Monday night. Army Lt. Col. Steve Roy, a "The liberation of Kuwait is Pentagon spokesman, elaborated

"We can pursue the enemy, fight toward the ground objective, engage Bush said Saddam has not the enemy at every opportunity, take prisoners, destroy the enemies' personnel, equipment, vehicles, lines of communication, bridges, supply depots and continue to encircle the enemy to obtain his destruction or

The British said today that Sad-"The coalition will therefore dam's forces must retreat without their weapons. "Before the land war started we just demanded Iraqi With that statement the president troops withdraw. Now it is more dif-

Fitzwater had recommended that Iraqis simply "lay down their arms

Said Roy: "By laying down their weapons we mean all fighting gear from pistols and knives on up to air defenses and tanks. The soldiers can keep their personal survival gear such as gas masks, chemical weapons protection, knapsacks and

Fitzwater said President Bush called the White House Situation Room at 5:20 a.m. and learned of today's radio speech by Saddam. He not relinquished his claim to the that Saddam was ready to meet reviewed a text of the address and then met with key advisers.

"His speech changes nothing," an outrage," Bush said. "He is not cease-fire, saying Saddam must said Fitzwater in a breakfast-hour "personally" announce an uncondi- statement. "It does not annul the are retreating. He is trying to claim tional withdrawal and agree that annexation of Kuwait or meet any victory in the midst of a route, and Iraq will pay war reparations and of the coalition's other terms."

Cleaning out Iraqi bunker



Iraqi troops emerge from heavily protected bunkers in southeast Kuwait Monday to surrender to guntoting Saudi troops. Operation Desert Storm officials reported continued advances in this and other areas with thousands of Iraqi soldiers giving up, often with little or no resistance.

City commissioners to tour Recreation Park

scheduled to meet at 3 p.m. today to hearing regarding recommendations tour Recreation Park and hear that the Whitehouse addition, approval for the Graham addition. reports on progress on that facility.

That meeting will be followed by a 6 p.m. City Commission meeting at City Hall.

will lead to the development of a dation. small lake, softball complex and camping facilities at the site.

Pampa's rodeo grounds and Clyde Carruth Pavilion are also located at the site.

During their regular meeting, ty at 1100 Campanella.

Pampa city commissioners were commissioners will conduct a public specifically including Wynne and mobile homes.

A condition of the mobile homes Recreation Park is being expand- being located in those areas would ed with state matching grants that be that they rest on a cement foun-

Other items of business include: Consideration of a plat

 Review and possible accep-Warren streets, be re-zoned to allow tance of bids for the annual sealcoating project, two police vehicles and air pack upgrades.

> Consideration of January list of disbursements.

In addition to touring Recreation Commissioners are also sched- Park, commissioners are scheduled uled to consider liability insurance to use work session time to discuss for the city, appoint seven people to a no-smoking proposal for citya new cable advisory commission, owned facilities and recent legislaand the proposed sale of tax propertion regarding salinity control at

Packer testifies stacked boxes had been rearranged at fatal house fire site

By LARRY HOLLIS Managing Editor

One of the packers at the residence where an April 1989 fire caused the death of a father and his stepson testified Monday that the boxes she and a co-worker left at the house had been rearranged when she saw them again after the blaze.

Tina Beard of Amarillo, an employee of M&L Transfer and Storage Co. of Amarillo, said that the boxes and other packing material she and co-worker Barbara Erwin left in the house on Tuesday, April 11, 1989, had been stacked neatly "out of the way" in the two-story residence at 1200 Charles St.

She said that when she arrived back at the Pampa house on the morning of April 12, 1989, to continue packing materials, she learned of the fire and the resulting deaths of John Bryan Vernon III, 41, and Stuart Jacob "Jake" Long, 16.

When she was accompanied inside the house by fire investigators at the scene, Beard said she noticed that all the boxes were not arranged in the neat, stacked rows in which she and her co-worker had left them the previous day when they departed late in the afternoon. She indicated she noticed other items that had been

moved from where she had seen them the day before. Margaret Vernon filed the lawsuit in February 1990 against M&L Transfer and Storage Co. of Amarillo and occupants, leaving a fire lane, proper arrangement of

Mrs. Vernon, in the lawsuit, alleges that the moving company on April 11, 1989, had left boxes on or near the furnace grate and, therefore, should be held responsible and pay damages for the deaths of her husband and son.

She is seeking at least \$3 million in each of the

Mrs. Vernon escaped from the residence in the early morning hours of April 12, 1989, and was hospitalized for injuries she received in the fire.

M&L, represented by attorney Robert Templeton, and Allied Van Lines, represented by attorney Joe Hayes, have implied that the fire may have been intentionally set. Both defendants say their employees did not cause the fire and should not be held responsible in any event.

Beard, who has been employed with M&L since 1988, was first questioned Monday morning in the trial being held in 223rd District Court at the Gray County Courthouse by Vernon's attorney, John Warner of

Warner asked Beard if she had received any formal training from M&L or any other moving company she furnace operations, leaving a clear path of safety for those without the workers' help.

boxes for safety or "any safety training at all." "No, sir," Beard replied to all.

In reply to questions by Warner, Beard said she and co-worker Erwin arrived at the residence on Monday, April 10, 1989, and toured the house before they started packing. They packed most of the downstairs on Monday and on the following day, after completing the downstairs packing, they began work on the upstairs in the guest bedroom.

Warner questioned Beard as to whether Allied represents to its customers that its employees are trained in safety and are professional workers. "I don't know," Beard said.

The attorney also questioned her whether she had been trained to mention to a customer if she saw something in the packing situation that creates a dangerous condition. Beard said no, but added she had been told to be careful in packing and to "pick up the mess."

Beard said she and Erwin had packed approximately 100 boxes, of different sizes, with 20 to 30 stacked in the living room, 30 to 40 on the north wall of the dining room and others in the kitchen and upstairs guest bedroom. Wardrobe boxes had been placed in the master bedroom and son's bedroom upstairs at Vernon's has worked for in such areas as national codes, floor request, Beard said, but Vernon had begun packing

Warner asked if any of the stacked boxes had fallen while they were packing the items in the house. Beard said once, while she was trying to reach a picture on a wall, she fell onto one box and another box then fell on her. But she "pushed it back up." Otherwise, she said, she could not recall any other boxés falling.

Warner asked if she had received training in properly stacking boxes in a house where there were children or pets. Beard said, "No." Warner then asked her if she thought it would be dangerous to have boxes stacked in such a way that a child or pet could knock them over. She agreed, saying it would be "common sense" not to do so, adding that she had two children of her own. She also agreed that the boxes should not be stacked where they could be knocked over onto a heat source.

Beard said the Vernon family had two dogs, a cocker spaniel and a chow puppy. In reply to a question by Warner, she said neither knocked a box over while she was in the house, though one "went to the restroom on one of the boxes.'

Beard said neither she nor her partner left any wrapping paper, boxes or flat-folded packing boxes on the furnaces in the living room and dining room. She said all the boxes downstairs had been closed, most of them probably sealed, and no folded boxes were left downstairs.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to *The Pampa News* by press time today.

Obituaries.

ELBERT DAVIS

OLTON - Elbert Davis, 87, brother of a McLean man, died Sunday, Feb. 24, 1991. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. today in Memorial Park Cemetery in Amarillo with the Rev. Ken Cole, pastor of Forest Hill United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Schooler-Gordon Colonial Chapel.

Mr. Davis was born in Granbury and had been an Amarillo resident for 17 years. For the last three years, he had lived in Olton. He was a retired ginner and a Baptist.

Survivors include three daughters, Wilma Joy Earnest of Olton, Jimmie Faye Gilbert of Mesquite and Nettie Lee Purdue of Sulphur, La.; two stepsons, John Paul Renegar of El Paso and Jim Renegar of Florida; four brothers, John Davis of Dallas, Arthur Davis of McLean, Freland Davis of Clarendon and W.C. "Bill" Davis of Hereford; two sisters, Ruby Pierce of Bethany, Okla., and Fern Johns of Amarillo; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 4614 S. Crockett St. DAVID R. THOMPSON

CANADIAN - David R. Thompson, 16, died Sunday, Feb. 24, 1991. Funeral Mass will be at 2 p.m. today in Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. Gary Sides of Pampa officiating. Burial will be in the Canadian Cemetery by Stickley-Hill Funeral Home.

Mr. Thompson was born and raised in Canadian and had been a lifelong resident. He was a student at Canadian High School. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Survivors include his father, Carl Hilton of Canadian; his mother, Amelia Thompson of Canadian; a brother, Daniel Hilton of Canadian; and his grandparents, J.D. Gutierrez of Canadian, and Gene and Doris Conrad of Pawhuska, Okla.

Calendar of events

SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES

The SGT (Skelly-Getty-Texaco) Retiree Club will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Senior Citizens Building, 500 W. Francis.

PAMPA MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS Pampa Middle School parents will have a meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. in the school library.

Stocks

The following grain quotations ar	re Cabot O&G14 3/4	dn 1/4
provided by Wheeler-Evans of	of Chevron72	up 3/4
Pampa.	Coca-Cola52 7/8	dn 5/8
Wheat2.36	Enron55	dn 3/8
Milo3.81	Halliburton48	dn 1/8
Com4.18	Ingersoll Rand48 3/8	up 5/8
The following show the prices for	or KNE22 3/4	dn 1/8
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Ky. Cent. Life 8 1/4 dn 1/4	Mapco43 1/4	dn 3/8
Serfco 5 up 1/4	Maxus 8 3/8	dn 1/8
Occidental19 1/8 NC	McDonald's 30 3/4	dn 1/4
	Mesa Ltd2 1/2	NC
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which these mutual funds were bid s		NC
the time of compilation:	Penney's53 1/8	dn 1/4
Magellan62.82	Phillips26	up 3/8
Puritan13.23	SLB61 5/8	dn 3/4
	SPS28 1/8	dn 1/4
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock	k Tenneco47 1/2	up 5/8
Market quotations are furnished by	v Texaco60 1/2	up 5/8
Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.	Wal-Mart37 1/2	dn 3/8
Amoco51 7/8 up 1/4	New York Gold	359.50
Arco		
Cabot		

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions Jeanette L. Fish, Mcson, Borger (extended

Gary Lee Graham, care) Pampa Elizabeth E. Heiskell,

Guadalupe D. Ramirez, Pampa Golda Saulsbury, Pampa Suritha Thompson,

Dismissals Vivian L. Bichsel,

White Deer Olivia P. Garcia and baby girl, Pampa Jeanette V. Richard-

> **SHAMROCK** HOSPITAL **Admissions**

Hobart Brazell, Merkel Haskill Oldham. Shamrock Oren Dorsey, McLean

(observation) Dismissals None

Police report

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

SUNDAY, Feb. 24

Domestic violence was reported in the 800 block of East Craven.

MONDAY, Feb. 25

Three violations of narcotic drug laws were reported to Pampa Crime Stoppers.

Hawkins Radio Lab, 812 S. Cuyler, reported burglary of the business.

A juvenile reported reckless conduct in the 500 block of Magnolia.

Harassment by telephone was reported in the 2400 block of Evergreen.

Ray Wilbert Babb, 1203 Charles, reported a burglary of the residence at 627 N. West.

Ricardo Lopez, 832 E. Brunow, reported criminal mischief at 709 Brunow.

Pit Stop Service, 440 W. Brown, reported burglary of the business.

TUESDAY, Feb. 26

Domestic violence was reported in the 700 block

A violation of narcotic drug laws was reported to Pampa Crime Stoppers. **Arrests**

TUESDAY, Feb. 26

Sarino Facundo, 35, 732 Roberta, was arrested at the residence on a domestic violence charge.

DPS - Arrests FRIDAY, Feb. 22

Rosa Mauricio Ortega, 31, Miami, was arrested on U.S. 60 and charged with driving while intoxicated (first offense).

No fires were reported to the Pampa Fire Department during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m.

Minor accidents

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

MONDAY, Feb. 25

8:40 p.m. - A 1987 Plymouth driven by Patricia Jill Aderholt, 16, 2739 Cherokee, and a 1988 Chevrolet driven by Riehard W. Russum, 53, Altus, Okla., collided in the 200 block of North Cuyler. Aderholt was cited for following too closely. No injuries were reported.

Industry, labor face off over new petrochemical safety standards

By MICHAEL GRACZYK Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) - Proposed rules governing safety standards in the petrochemical industry were coming under scrutiny today from industry and labor groups as the Occupational Safety and Health Administration opened eight days of hearings.

Robert Feldman, an administrative law judge, was presiding over the lengthy hearings which concerned new regulations favored by industry but opposed by labor as not going far enough.

this area," said David Hastings, manager of safety and plant operations for the Chemical Manufacturers Association. "The Chemical Manufacturers Association is very supportive of OSHA's overall approach, yet at the same time, we have some recommendations how OSHA could make it more effec-

Taking a hard line against the standards was the Oil Chemical and Atomic Workers Union.

"OSHA's proposed standard on process safety management of highly hazardous chemicals fails to address key worker safety issues

Library to open one hour late Wednesday morning

Lovett Memorial Library will open at 10 a.m. on Wednesday instead of the regular time, library officials said today.

Dan Snider, library director, said the library will open an hour later Wednesday in order to give the staff time to conduct an inven-

The library will open at its regular time of 9 a.m. Thursday, he further disasters," the union said in a statement Monday.

The Texas Gulf Coast is home to the world's largest petrochemical complex and in the past 16 months has been the scene of two explosions with major loss of life.

Last July, 17 people were killed in a blast at an ARCO Chemical Co. plant in Channelview, east of Houston. In October 1989, a series of explosions devastated a Phillips Petroleum Co. plant in Pasadena, near Houston, killing 23 and injur-

The union was critical of the 'This is breaking new ground in companies' handling of the incidents. However, officials noted the new regulations were under consideration before those explosions.

"It's important that be clarified since someone might get the perception this is a reaction to ARCO or Phillips," Hastings said.

Nevertheless, the proposed regulation, known as a process safety management standard, is designed to prevent catastrophes and minimize the consequences of accidents in industries with processes using highly hazardous chemicals, OSHA

companies would be required to Co.

and as written will be a recipe for conduct process hazard analyses in their plants.

Federal authorities hope the practice would enable an employer to determine where problems may occur, take corrective action to improve the safety of the process and pre-plan the actions in case safety systems fail.

In addition, the standard would require employers to compile the process safety information, assure contractors work safely, maintain mechanical integrity of plant equipment, conduct investigations of incidents, develop emergency plans and conduct compliance safety audits.

"It is a new standard and involves specific things not covered by existing standards," Labor Department spokeswoman Sherrie Moran said.

The initial hearings on the proposals were held last year in Wash-

Forty-four companies or industry groups, three unions and four public interest groups are among those scheduled to appear at the Houston hearings.

Companies testifying were to include Dow Chemical Co., Pennzoil Co., Shell Oil Co., Mon-Under the standard, chemicals santo Co., Texaco Inc. and Exxon

Union Pacific tests longest well

Pacific Resources Co. said its new horizontally drilled well, rated as the longest in Texas, tested at a production rate of 1,162 barrels per day.

The well, Borchers Trust No. 1. was tested last week after Union Pacific drilled 6,511 feet down and

6,142 feet across. The horizontal portion is the longest of 841 such wells that have been permitted by the Texas Railroad Commission, agency spokes-

FORT WORTH (AP) - Union man Gary Garrison said. The previous record of 4,907 feet was held by the J.R. Hamilton No. 1 well operated by GLG Energy, an Austin-based partnership.

Of the 841 wells, 425 have been completed. Horizontal drilling is a relatively new technique that has created an oil boomlet, particularly in south Texas.

The Union Pacific Resources well is located eight miles northeast of Gonzales, a town of 6,000 50 miles east of San Antonio.

Lottery falls short in House; Richards warns of new taxes

By MICHAEL HOLMES **Associated Press Writer**

AUSTIN (AP) - By failing to place a lottery proposal on the May 4 election ballot, lawmakers will be forced to consider new taxes, Gov. Ann Richards con-

session, the House rebuffed Richards' first major legislative push. It voted only 90-56 for the lottery propo-

Because starting a lottery takes a constitutional amendment, 100 members of the 150-member House preys on the poor and encourages gambling. were required to vote to place the question on the ballot for voter ratification.

Although lottery backers said the gambling game's revenue wouldn't be a cure-all for the state's projected \$4.6 billion deficit, Richards charged that lottery oppo-(increase) bill.'

'I hope that the 56 members of the House who voted against this bill will now join together to find the necessary new revenue to meet the needs of this state," she said.

another vote could be taken at a later date. But he said the House would have had to take such action today to let voters decide on May 4.

"Ten votes (to reach 100), that's a big swing," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth.

"If we don't to it (today), we cannot get it on this upcoming election. If we cannot do that, that's going to be a large gap as far as revenue is concerned ... There's a good possibility there will be a tax bill without a lottery," Lewis said.

The lottery's sponsor, Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, today said he wouldn't try again immediately.

Wilson said he would leave the measure pending before the House and possibly seek a vote later in the session when lawmakers are grappling with the budget.

The secretary of state had said both the House and Senate must approve the lottery proposal by Friday to

qualify for the May ballot. Backers argued that a lottery would raise \$731 mil-Despite her last-minute lobbying during Monday's lion in its first year of operation, money needed to help offset the 1992-93 state deficit. Besides, opinion polls

> show the public favors the game, they said. But opponents called the gambling game a "sleazy smelly" way for the state to raise money, saying it

> There's two reasons to pass a lottery. People want it. We need the money. It's simple," said Rep. Eddie Cavazos, D-Corpus Christi.

What scheme could the government devise that is less honorable than to take from the poor to give to the nents "have assured the necessity of a sizeable tax rich and tell them they're having fun while it's being done?" asked Rep. Glenn Repp, R-Duncanville. The lottery's chief sponsor, Rep. Ron Wilson, D-

Houston, noted a recent opinion poll showing 76 percent of Texans favoring a lottery. "The main argument is ... do we think that the peo-

Speaker Gib Lewis indicated that under House rules, ple of this state are qualified to determine for themselves," Wilson argued. "The people elected us to make hard choices,"

countered Rep. Al Price, D-Beaumont. Monday's vote capped weeks of intensive lobbying. led by the governor, who had declared the issue an emergency and personally testified to both House and Senate committees.

One lawmaker who has resigned, Rep. Barry Connelly, R-Houston, even returned to the House to vote for the lottery. Connelly's resignation doesn't take effect until his successor is elected and sworn in next month, but he said he hadn't cast another vote during this session.

St. Vincent's School launches project to send soldiers cookies and magazines

By BEAR MILLS **Staff Writer**

What started as a parochial school project to support troops in the Persian Gulf is growing into a Aaron this morning and heard about city-wide drive to send military all this, I thought, 'Why can't the personnel chocolate chip cookies, adults help, too?" Simon explained candy bars and copies of all the Monday. "And then I just started magazines they are missing dur- going around to businesses." ing their time of service in the

St. Vincent's Catholic School launched a campaign last week to pray for allied forces in the war with Iraq. They supplemented their spiritual offerings with a drive to collect Navy.

By this Monday afternoon that

Robin Simon and her five-year-old dent at the school.

When I got to school with

By mid-afternoon she had money from 11 local merchants.

"A lot of times we don't do anyover me."

small endeavor had grown into a is not sure what war is or why so

community thrust, thanks largely to much is being made over it.

But, "I think this is helping peoson Aaron, a pre-kindergarten stu- ple," he said. So he prays for soldiers by name with his Mom and schoolmates.

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They have begun making paper chains, adding a link for each prayer they send up.

The items collected by the Simons and others at St. Vincent's are being sent to personnel on board secured commitments for goods or the Naval destroyer, U.S.S. Moosbrugger.

"I'm not a Catholic, I'm a Bapthing for people because we don't tist," Simon said. "But this seems know what to do," Simon said. like something where we can all "Now we know what to do. When I work together and show our supcandy bars and other goodies for the heard about this, something came port. It hits you hard when you think that it could be your child At only five years of age, Aaron over there. We want to do what we

Durable goods orders drop 0.7% in January

to U.S. factories for 'big-ticket' durable goods dropped 0.7 percent in January, the government reported

The Commerce Department said January orders for durable goods items ranging from trucks to turbines that are expected to last more than three years - totaled a seasonally adjusted \$118.5 billion.

orders reached a 1990 high of \$129.5 billion in October. They plummeted 10.1 percent the follow-

WASHINGTON (AP) - Orders ing month but posted a 2.7 percent indication of business plans to gain in December. Durable goods orders, which fell

during six of the 12 months in 1990, are a key economic barometer of manufacturing industry plans for production. A decrease in orders often results in a slump in that sector and subsequent layoffs.

The Labor Department reported the loss of 69,000 factory jobs in Jan-It was the second decline since uary, bringing manufacturing job losses since January 1989 to 900,000. Orders in the key category of

expand and modernize, plunged 8.4 percent to \$38.2 billion. A 16.6 percent gain in December had erased a 14.1 percent fall the previous month.

Defense orders, which had jumped 52.7 percent in December before the hostilities broke out in the Persian Gulf, dropped 9.8 percent to \$7.3 billion in January. Excluding the defense category,

orders fell 0.1 percent. Transportation orders also fell, posting a 3.7 percent loss to \$30.7 non defense capital goods, often an billion.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knut-

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, mostly clear with a low around 30 degrees and southerly winds 5-15 mph. Wednesday, increasing cloudiness, breezy and warmer with a high in low 60s and southwesterly winds 10-20 mph.

REGIONAL FORECAST West Texas - Partly cloudy through Wednesday except mostly cloudy Big Bend. A slight chance of thunderstorms Concho Valley and Edwards Plateau Wednesday. Lows tonight mostly in the 30s. Highs Wednesday mostly in the

North Texas - Partly cloudy tonight. Lows tonight in the 30s. Mostly cloudy and warmer Wednesday. Highs in the 60s.

South Texas - Continued cloudy outh tonight with a chance of rain, elsewhere increasing cloudiness. Lows tonight in the upper 30s north and east, 40s central and southeast to the 50s south. Mostly cloudy Wednesday a little warmer with a chance of rain most sections. Highs

in the 60s. EXTENDED FORECAST

Thursday through Saturday West Texas - Panhandle, partly loudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms Thursday

through Saturday. Highs in the lower 60s Thursday dropping into the lower 50s by Saturday. Lows in the 30s. South Plains, partly cloudy Thursday through Saturday. A chance of showers and thunderstorms Thursday and Friday. Highs in the mid to lower 60s and the lows in the mid 30s Thursday, Around 40 Friday and the lower 30s Saturday. Permian Basin, Concho Valley-Pecos Valley, partly cloudy Thursday through Saturday. A chance of showers and thunderstorms Thursday and Friday. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s and the lows in the lower to mid 40s. Far West, partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms Thursday and Friday; then fair Saturday. Highs in the 60s. Lows in the mid 40s. Big Bend Region, partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms Thursday and Friday; then mostly fair Saturday. Highs in the mid 50s to mid 60s mountains and the mid 70s to lower 80s along the Rio Grande. Lows in the 30s mountains to the 40s along the Rio

North Texas - Generally, variable cloudiness and mild with a chance of rain and thunderstorms Thursday through Saturday. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 60s.

South Texas - Generally, mostly

and guests. Adv. cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Hill Country and South Central, lows Thursday in the 40s, highs in the 60s. Lows Friday and Saturday in the 50s, highs in the 70s. Texas Coastal Bend, lows Thursday in the 50s; highs in the 70s. Lows Friday and Saturday near 60. Highs in the 70s coast to the 80s inland. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains, lows Thursday in the 50s. Highs in the 70s. Lows Friday and Saturday in the 60s. Highs in the 70s coast to the 80s inland. Southeast and Upper Texas Coast: Lows Thursday in the 40s to near 50, highs in the 60s. Lows Friday and Saturday in the 50s, highs in the 70s.

BORDER STATES Oklahoma - Clear to partly cloudy through Wednesday. Low

tonight upper 20s to low 30s. High Wednesday mid 50s extreme northeast, 60s elsewhere.

New Mexico - Variable high cloudiness and not as cold tonight. Partly cloudy and a little warmer Wednesday with a slight chance of showers and a few thunderstorms southwest by afternoon. Lows tonight in the teens to mid 20s mountains and northwest with 20s and 30s at lower elevations. Highs Wednesday in the 40s to mid 50s mountains with mid 50s to mid 60s at lower elevations.

Divided Supreme Court rules on unequalized local school spending

By PEGGY FIKAC **Associated Press Writer**

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AUSTIN (AP) - Lawmakers scrambling to solve the school finance dilemma today were studying a new Texas Supreme Court ruling that said the state constitution allows rich districts to raise more supplemental education funds than poor ones.

"On first reading, it appears there's some leeway given" on local spending to enrich programs, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said. "Just how much, I can't say at this

In a new opinion issued Monday night, the court did not back away from an earlier ruling that the Texas districts asked the justices to rule it constitutional to school finance system is unconstitutional.

However, it said in a 5-4 opinion, "The current system remains unconstitutional not because any unequalized local supplementation is employed, but because the rich to poor districts without consolidating their tax state relies so heavily on unequalized local funding" to pay for education.

.. it may, so long as efficiency is maintained, authorize local school districts to supplement their educational resources if local property owners approve an additional

local property tax," it said.

Tom Phillips. In a footnote, it adds that the Texas Constitution forbids "vast disparities" resulting when rich school districts can tax low, while poor districts that tax change from what they've said before," Kauffman said. high cannot get enough money "to meet even minimum standards."

ion as overstepping the court's jurisdiction. Doggett also called it a reaction to political pressure. Others dissenting were Justices Oscar Mauzy, Robert Gammage and Raul Gonzalez. The court issued the latest opinion after poor school

Dissenting, Justice Lloyd Doggett decried the opin-

redistribute local school districts' property tax revenue Such a "Robin Hood" plan would shift money from

The court refused to do so, then went further in rulwould not consider any more motions for rehearing in

Al Kauffman, an attorney representing the poor

school districts who originally challenged the school the poor districts.

We don't really see the opinion as any major

"All they've said here is if you have a constitutional efficient system then you can have supplementation based on local tax bases, but they again said that an efficience on the issue and a column written by unsuccessful cient system can't be based on districts with wildly different tax bases.'

The new opinion comes after the court twice, unanimously, ruled unconstitutional the \$14 billion-a-year established. school finance system that relies on local property taxes, state aid and some federal money.

'Twice this court has labored arduously to speak case ... Tragically, today this unity has been abruptly today. abandoned, shattering the good faith upon which it was founded," said Doggett's dissent.

He accused the majority of "a frantic rush to influ-Once the Legislature provides an efficient system ing on supplemental education funding. It also said it ence the final stages of current legislative deliberations," saying the opinion would "prolong correction of rate our inefficient educational system at the expense of the school children of Texas.'

The court went too far in addressing supplemental The majority opinion was authored by Chief Justice finance system, said Monday's ruling had little effect on education funding, because the motion for rehearing by the poor school districts did not address the question, Doggett said.

The majority said the question was raised in other arguments it had considered.

Attached to Doggett's opinion was a newspaper arti-Republican gubernatorial candidate Tom Luce, who advocated allowing local districts to spend more money for enrichment after a sound education program was-

"The true message sent forth today is 'don't write a legal brief, write a political column," "Doggett wrote. "This is apparently the first time in its 151-year histowith one, clear voice concerning this most significant ry that the court has operated in the manner it has

> A school finance reform plan that has passed the Senate would require virtually every school district in the state to be able to get the same amount of education money by imposing local property taxes at a particular

The House is scheduled to consider school finance reform Wednesday.

Democrats: Domestic crisis neglected

By JAY JORDEN **Associated Press Writer**

DALLAS (AP) - With the Bentsen said. nation's attention riveted on the Persian Gulf War, domestic issues often neglected in peacetime are receiving even less concern, Sen. Lloyd Bentsen says.

The nation's recession coupled ignored, Bentsen said Monday at a Democratic forum.

"We have successfully defended Saudi Arabia. We are in the process of liberating Kuwait," said Bentsen, D-Texas. "But here at home – right here in our own back yard – there is no defense, and little apparent concern, for the millions of our own people who are falling prey to joblessness, despair, ignorance and dis-

Bentsen and other Texas Democratic Leadership Council forum tax break for young children is "I think it'd be better if we could participants, including U.S. Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Georgia, assailed the administration's record on child and

their jobs in the past seven months Services Committee. and a recession threatens more,

worse for their children now than lead to an Ohio convention in May they were a decade ago," said Dr. that will assemble what he called an Barbara Whitehead, a cultural historian. "That's not just nostalgia."

with problems in health care, educaparents in focus groups showed they tion and day care continue to be were concerned with a degeneration of America's moral fabric through of people thinking along the same increasing greed, sexuality and vio-

squeeze" gripping parents and chil- a foundation of ideas that are impordren today, she said. Parents complain increasing job demands give them no time to spend with their on the last ticket, repeatedly denied children, who cite rising materialism he would seek the post again and and other peer pressures.

other peer pressures.

"We're saying that you cannot sary.

"I frankly think it's healthy that "said Nunn. substitute government for parents. But we're saying that the 1948 we don't have any yet," said Nunn. greatly outmoded, and that we get a set of ideas and principles that need to update a lot of the gov- we could have some consensus on ernmental policies and make them and then let the candidates emerge family-sensitive," said Nunn, after that."

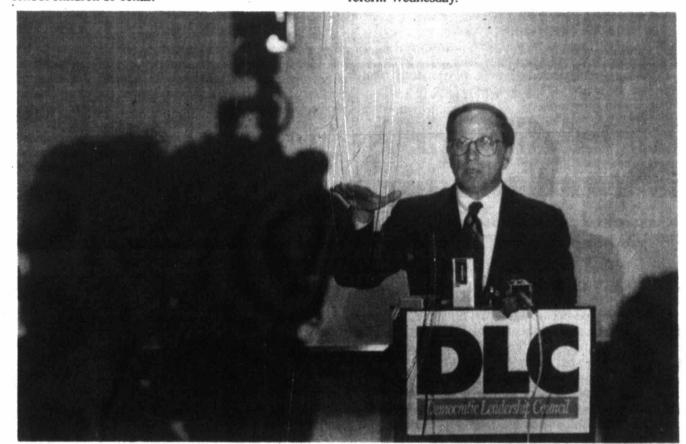
One million Americans have lost chairman of the Senate Armed

Texas Governor Ann Richards attended a private breakfast preced-'Parents believe things are ing the forum, which Nunn said will agenda for America.

"We don't have it in the Demo-She said her discussions with cratic Party now and I don't think we have it in the nation," he said.

"It really is an effort to get a lot lines, so that we'll not only be able to produce some kind of a presiden-Those are factors in a "cultural tial candidate but also be able to get tant in uniting the party.'

> Bentsen, a presidential candidate Nunn said names aren't yet neces-



(AP Laserphoto)

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., speaks at a news conference Monday after addressing the Texas **Democratic Leadership Council in Dallas.**

Unanalyzed evidence gives attorneys hope of clearing Wood in desert deaths

By SUZANNE GAMBOA **Associated Press Writer**

EL PASO (AP) – The mother of client. a woman killed nearly three years grave wants to know why evidence exonerating him," Garney said. in the case is just now being ana-

Fingernail scrapings and stained clothing from some of the six women whose bodies were found buried in a stretch of east El Paso desert were sent by prosecutors to a

lab for analysis just last month. "It's unfortunate that officials take so long and valuable evidence like that is just being neglected," said Annette Williams.

The evidence was discovered by defense attorneys for David Leonard Wood, who was indicted on a serial murder charge accusing him of

"The results could go a long way daughter." ago and buried in a shallow desert in clearing David Leonard Wood, or

tenced to death.

'It's unfortunate that officials take so long and valuable evidence like that is just being neglected.'

The remains of Ms. Williams' daughter, Ivy Susana Williams, were found by aluminum can collectors on March 14, 1988. Police began unearthing the bodies in September

"I feel very sad," Ms. Williams said. "I do hope it will prove to be

the evidence could be help his is no doubt in my mind that he was from them," Garney said. the one at least that killed my

If convicted, Wood could be sen- Angelica Frausto, whose body was discovered Nov. 3, 1987, by police.

> "They (the scrapings) have been sitting around and no forensics have been done on them at all," said Garney. "My feeling is they didn't want to do the forensics" fearing they would reveal Wood was not the killer.

District Attorney Steve Simmons said he could not comment on why the evidence was not analyzed because the case has not gone to trial. Police Lt. Paul Saucedo referred questions to Simmons'

"Our fear is the scrapings have DNA is found in the nucleus of slayings.

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girls. Attorney Norbert Garney said David Wood's (skin) because there won't be able to determine anything son, except identical twins.

found in fingernail clippings from lyzed, Garney said. Miss Smith's its way through the legal process. body was discovered Oct. 20, 1987, the same day Desiree Wheatley's remains were found.

A DNA analysis also is being done on a stain on a piece of cloth- It could, but I don't expect that it ing that belonged to Rosa Maria Casio. Two water utility workers stumbled upon Ms. Casio's body and that of Karen Baker on Sept. 4, 1987, starting the string of grim

excavations. DNA testing, often called genetic fingerprinting" is performed on body materials such as

killing the six women and young something. I hope it will prove to be deteriorated to the point that we every cell and is unique to each per-

Wood vehemently denies he A blood stain on a sun suit killed the women and has filed a \$25 believed to have belonged to Dawn million harassment suit against El Garney said the scrapings were Marie Smith also had not been ana- Paso police. The lawsuit is working

Garney said he is aware the evidence could also work against his

"What if it comes back a match? will. I have to kind of go with what my client says and my client says he didn't do it," Garney said. "Because of the nature of the offense - this is kind of the Ted Bundy case of the '90s - we have to be kind of aggressive in our defense.'

Bundy was executed in 1989 for the murder of a 12-year-old girl, but blood, hair, semen or skin cells. he was blamed for a series of sex

Authorities searching for Texas businessman

PERRY, Okla. (AP) - Local authorities are continuing their search for a Texas businessman who was reported missing late last Police Chief Mike Devlin said

Billy Jack Horner, 36, of Collinsville, Texas, last was seen about 9 p.m. Wednesday at his motel room by another man checking into a adjacent room.

The witness awoke about 2:30 a.m. Thursday and saw two men, neither of whom was Horner, loading items from Horner's room into a white pickup, Devlin said.

Horner's pickup truck and belongings in his room also are missing, Devlin said. The truck seen early Thursday by the witness did not match the description of Horner's truck, he said.

Packer

Reading from a transcribed tape recorded statement, Warner noted Beard had stated she was aware of the furnace in the living room. "That's why I stopped and moved the boxes away, because they were getting too close to the furnace,"

she had stated. In her testimony Monday, Beard said she had moved the boxes "about five feet" away from the furnace. But Warner noted that in an earlier deposition with him, she had said the boxes were "a foot to a foot and a half" away from the furnace. Beard said she was not too good

with distances. In the hallway, near the dining room area, Beard said boxes had been placed "a couple of inches away" from the furnace. She said that was closer than she thought was good, but she did not think they posed any danger at the time.

Beard said she believes most furnaces are guided by thermostats that would shut them off when they reached a certain temperature. But she admitted she did not know how to tell if a furnace was operating properly, except for "if it's on or

She said "common sense" would direct that no boxes, wrapping paper or cellophane material would be left atop a furnace. "I wouldn't do that, if that's what you're getting at," she told Warner. She said that even in such a case, leaving such items on a furnace should not start a fire if the furnace was working properly. But she admitted she didn't know whether the furnace in the Vernon residence was operating properly.

But she said it's best not to put

anything on top of a floor furnace. Responding to Warner's questioning, Beard said she did not receive any formal training from the company regarding placement of materials over a furnace, but said

she had been taught such things by

play with matches, stand too close to the heater and so on, she said.

als ... and not to leave a mess."

She said she knew how to use ing in such."

Beard said she did observe an instructional videotape when beginning her employment at M&L, in addition to receiving other instruc-

Templeton displayed diagrams of the upstairs and downstairs areas of the house and asked Beard to draw where she and Erwin had left the

she was a small child. "A lifetime of experience" has taught her not to

In the afternoon, after Warner had completed his questioning and passed her on to Templeton, Beard said she had received training in safely packing materials and received on-the-job training from co-workers "on how to pack materi-

caution in packing and placement of items and "didn't need formal train-

her parents, schools and others since walls and not left randomly around room table after the fire had been a box is provided for the customer to any area of the house.

Templeton asked her if Thomas K. Casey, a fire and explosion expert who testified last week, had testified there were boxes on top of the floor furnace in the hallway after the fire, would she agree.

She said, "No." She said no boxes were on top of any furnace when she and Erwin had left that Tuesday. She added that she had noticed when she was in the house that claim. after the fire that some of the boxes had been moved, with some blocking half of a doorway downstairs.

Looking at photographs and a videotape taken after the fire, Beard said that outlines left on the floors and walls indicated some boxes had been moved from the rows she and Erwin had stacked the boxes in.

She also noted a brass deer on the floor in the living room was in a different location than it had been the day before, along with a lamp boxes stacked. She said the boxes that had been moved. She said had been stacked in rows against the chairs seen on top of the dining company employees. She said often burnt, "not just smoke damage." The

pushed under the table on that Tuesday when she left.

Responding to a question by Templeton, Beard said the only time she heard any remark about any box being on a furnace was made by Fire Marshal Tom Adams on the morning of Wednesday, April 12, 1989. She said Adams told her one of the boxes had fallen atop a furnace. She said that was the only time she heard

Later, while on another tour of the burned residence on April 18, 1989, she said Adams looked at her and Erwin and said, "'I'm sorry. I didn't mean to make any false accusations."

Beard said no flammable liquids were packed in any of the boxes by the movers, "definitely not in any of those in the living room." She said company policy requires them to tell the customers that flammable liquids, aerosols and such material as

pack such items in, with the customer being responsible for its transportation.

Answering questions by Templeton, Beard said two smoke alarms had been located in the hallway closet. She said she removed them and asked Vernon if she wanted them packed. She said Vernon told her just to leave them on the stair landing since "she was going to throw them away.'

Beard said that while she was looking at the house after the fire, she noticed a smoke alarm on an upstairs wall to the left of the stair landing. She said she had not noticed it while she was packing and did not know if it had been there earlier.

Referring to her visits to the house after the fire, Templeton asked her where she thought most of the damage was located.

She said in the kitchen and dincooking oil cannot be packed by the ing room, where the walls were

kitchen area was badly charred, she

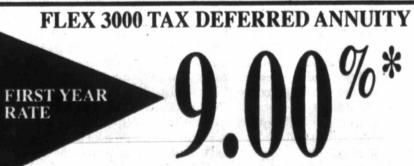
She said photos indicated only two boxes were found stacked together in the living room after the fire, saying that the boxes had not been kept stacked as she and Erwin had left them.

The trial continued today, with Beard resuming her testimony this morning. The trial is expected to continue through the rest of this

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Louise Fletcher

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Opinion

Right to express is a tad too high

Opponents of the National Endowment for the Arts were routed last year in efforts to eliminate or curtail the agency's funding. In fact, the NEA budget actually went up – despite the supposedly critical need to battle the deficit, and despite all the controversy over NEA funding for pornographic and sacrilegious "art."

This awesome political victory, however, still isn't enough for much of the arts establishment. Seems they're determined to extract an extra ton of flesh from us taxpayers – and at the same time to rub our faces in more offensive pictures and scribblings for which we're forced to pick up the tab. Recently nine of the 11 members of the literary publishing panel of the National Endowment for the Arts quit to protest the new rule that "general standards of decency" guide the awarding money to grantees.

Now, free expression in the arts is fine – but not on the public dime. People have a right to purchase or look at obscene and pornographic materials, even if they don't go under the name of "art." If they want to spend their money in that manner, then they have that choice, and the purveyors of such material have the right to sell their products. And both the purchaser and the seller can do so of their own free choice.

But when the feds pay the bill, why should it come as a surprise when strings come attached? If this crowd of arts mullahs were motivated by principle, they'd be trying to get the arts community off the federal dole.

Isn't liberty at the heart of the artistic experience? Aren't we all supposed to have the freedom to define what moves us and what doesn't? If so, where do artists get off forcing anybody to fund their works through compulsion - through the tax system rather than by voluntary support?

Mandated contributions are blind to individual taste. Money is extracted even from those with no interest at all in high culture. The whole practice stands Robin Hood on his head, because it uses the tax dollars of the poor (along with those of everyone else) to pay for pursuits patronized mainly by the middle and upper classes.

In, short, the NEA is an institutional assault on fairness, and that's in bad taste by any definition of the term.

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War brings too many orphans

"She wakes up in the middle of the night," says Gretchen Duncan. "She'll wake up crying, 'Mommy! Daddy!' and I'll look at her and say, 'They'll be home.' And she says, 'Someday?' And

I say 'Yes, baby, someday.'

Combat holds plenty of terrors, but perhaps none worse than those suffered every night, far from the Persian Gulf, by 3-year-old Tamatha Duncan. Her parents are members of the Army's 24th Infantry Division, currently deployed in Saudi Arabia. They dropped her off at day care one morning in August, got the call and left immediately, with- already in Saudi Arabia, who was called up two out even getting to say goodbye.

They may not return. Until they do, Tamatha is living with her grandparents, Ed and Gretchen Duncan of Rockville, Md. If she's lucky, she won't become one of the unintended victims this conflict

is likely to produce: war orphans.

Past American wars were fought mainly by men who were single or at least childless. As recently as Vietnam, fatherhood was grounds for a draft exemption - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney avoided service that way. Women in the military were rare, mothers unknown. But the all-volunteer army has made a point of accepting recruits regardless of sex or family obligations. Mom-and-Dad teams are now common. So are single parents.

There are some 40,000 military couples on active duty, in addition to 66,000 single parents, most of them men. When the president began deploying troops to Saudi Arabia, soldiers like these had to go just like everyone else, leaving the kids with relatives or friends.

There has been no shortage of horror stories about these parents - like the woman, her husband

Stephen Chapman

three kids (age 9, 12 and 13) alone, with an automatic bank card and instructions on how to use it; and the three boys placed in the foster care of a woman who had been charged with murdering her husband. shouldn't keep us from noticing the sickening quality of the ordinary ones. The military security of that assumption. the United States doesn't require exposing the children of soldiers to the risk of being orphaned – and

in this case, what isn't essential is intolerable. A policy that deprives Tamatha Duncan, perhaps per-

policy that needs changing. The architects of the status quo defend it for lettary career can accommodate children. All the parents sent to the gulf are volunteers, who long ago children's care in case of a wartime deployment.

Soldiers who get pregnant have the option to resign.

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tion, the Pentagon's chief manpower official under Ronald Reagan. Easing the obligations of military parents, he notes, would limit their opportunities.

One change has been proposed by Rep. Barbara Boxer, a California Democrat, who thinks single parents and one member of a two-parent couple should have the option of declining assignment to a combat zone. She likens her measure to the Pentagon's longstanding policy of excusing soldiers who have lost siblings in combat.

Boxer's Military Orphans Prevention Bill addresses the problem, but its solution fails on two weeks after giving birth; the single father who left major counts. The first time is that it would apply the new policy to this war, causing intolerable disruption to our military effort. For years the Pentagon - with the blessing of Congress - has accommodated parents on the same terms as everyone But the sickening quality of the extreme cases else, expecting them to be available in a crisis. The moment the crisis arrives isn't the time to change

The second defect is that the bill does too little to achieve its aim: preventing orphans. Like the Pentagon, Boxer gives priority to the preferences of the parent, not the needs of the child. But a child manently, of both the people who gave her life is a orphaned by her parents' choice is just as alone as a child orphaned by a Pentagon regulation.

A genuine orphans prevention act would consist ting soldiers decide for themselves whether a mili- of a simple rule. As of a specific date, single parents aren't allowed to enlist, and neither are both members of a couple with kids. Those who become were required by the Pentagon to arrange for their parents after joining are subject to discharge to ensure their children don't get a choice about becoming orphans. Every war has plenty of "It's really individual responsibility and deci- unavoidable victims. Military orphans are the kind sion," says Lawrence Korb of the Brookings Institu- of causalities that are avoidable and inexcusable.

Today in history By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, Feb. 26, the

57th day of 1991. There are 308 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 26, 1919, Congress established Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

On this date: In 1802, one of the great figures of French literature, Victor Hugo,

was born in Besancon. In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte escaped from the Island of Elba to begin his second conquest of

- In 1846, "Buffalo Bill" Cody was born near Davenport, Iowa. In 1848, the Second French Republic was proclaimed.

In 1870, New York City's first pneumatic-powered subway line was opened to the public. In 1940, the United States Ai

Defense Command was created. In 1942, during World War II, Navy flier Donald F. Mason sent a four-word message from the Pacific to the U.S. Navy in Washington:

"Sighted sub, sank same."

In 1951, the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution was ratified, limiting a president to two terms in



Notes from the home front:

• I was standing at the counter of a convenience store waiting to pay for my coffee. On the counter was a box of condoms.

The picture on the front of the box was a woman holding a baby. The baby had a face of Saddam Hussein. Underneath the picture it read: "Don't take a

chance on bringing another Saddam Hussein into the world." · My favorite name in the war: CNN's Wolf

Blitzer. If only he were a linebacker. Has anybody else noticed how much Gen. Swathmore looks like he was separated at birth

from Jonathan Winters and Willard Scott? Read Lee Montiville's piece on sports and war in Sports Illustrated. You won't be nearly as concerned about the fact that Isaih Thomas is out for

the Detroit Pistons. • I want to see a headline that reads: "U.S. Bombs Iraq Around the Clock." · Media complaints about military secrecy are

sort of stupid. There are lives at stake. Did Eisenhower call a press conference before

D-Day and advise the press corps, "Our plans are to hit the beach at Normandy but don't tell Hitler. for Hank Williams Jr.:



He thinks we're landing at Calais."

Catch your Pulitzer covering another story. • I heard two older guys talking. One said to the other, "They ought to bring those young boys back from over there so they can produce some babies. They ought to send dried-up folks like us over

there. We're going to die soon anyway.' The other guy listened and then replied, "You're

• Why is it cheaper for Iraq to train its pilots than it is for us to train ours? They don't have to teach theirs to land.

• First verse of a song I'm writing about the war

"Saddam Husseiiiin/You spilt our blood and you spilt the oil/and this here ol' boy is about to boil..."

• A fighter pilot from the Vietnam era was telling me "pilot fatigue in a war comes from hearing too much and thinking too much about statistics and laws of average.

"'What's my chances of coming back today?' That's what fatigues you, not the actual hours you're in your airplane.'

· Is there any chance Dan Quayle's National Guard unit could be called up?

· Worst war song so far: The one that begins, "Bomb, bomb, bomb, bomb Iraq," sung to the tune of "Bahbah-bah-bah bah berAnn ...

•I have a friend who made plans last summer to go to Europe for the first time later this month. "There were 28 of us who signed up," she explained. "But because of the war there's just six of us left. Think we should go?'

I wouldn't. There will be lots of times later to see museums and cathedrals and get left by the last

Read President Bush's lips: "This is no Vietnam." It certainly isn't. Jane Fonda hasn't gone to

Winter on ice leaves heartland sore

By SARAH OVERSTREET

When the groundhog poked his little snoot out of his hole here in southwest Missouri, it's a darn good thing he didn't see his shadow and forecast six more weeks of winter. If he had, with the mood most of us are in, I don't think we could have guaranteed his safety.

Pardon me if I sound a little testy, but five weeks spent crawling around on all fours tends to bring that out in

We just survived the Second Ice Age, a 5-inch thick blanket of ice that descended on us after Christmas and to re-freeze even more treacherously each night.

This was the only time most of us could remember where the once-faithful ground would not only refuse to let us take one step without flinging us to our knees, but would not even stand lying around with broken hips, pulled carrier onto the hood of my car.

ligaments and wounded pride.

haps the deepest cut. Businessmen in three-piece suits crawled up their driveways like dogs, and women in designer dresses did somersaults on parking lots. Middle-aged people rode down their lawns on pizza pans to get to their cars, then fell underneath them trying to get in.

And this was equal-opportunity ice, with no more mercy for a rubbersoled boot than a slick leather pump. The only people standing were those of us who finally broke down and put gym socks or women's knee-high hose over our boots, making us look thawed out just enough each midday sort of like convenience-store robbers who couldn't remember where to put the sock.

I finally got used to spending more time on my back than on my feet, but I do mourn the chocolate torte I was carrying one evening when the feet went and the dessert still for us standing still on it. We are was launched from its Tupperware

Of all our injuries, the last is per- Louis Post-Dispatch columnist Bill McClellan, who went outside the morning after the ice came to get his paper. Not knowing the seriousness of the situation, he dashed outside barefooted, wearing only his robe. He made it down his slightly sloped lawn, only to discover it would take a Zamboni to get him back up the lawn to the door: "Desperation led to an idea," he

wrote. "If I were to take my robe off, and use it as a carpet, perhaps I could get up the incline. But if I were to take my robe off, I'd really be cold. Furthermore, I'd be opening myself to a criminal charge. After all, I'd be exposing myself. And what if I were to slip, and knock myself out? Without my robe on, I'd be a goner in minutes. "Then I'd really be in trouble. I

know a lot of prosecutors, and I know how they work. In my mind, I heard the closing argument in the case against me: 'He's charged with exposing himself. And what does the death certificate say he died from?

But I got off easy, compared to St. Exposure!' I'd be charged with the same thing that killed me, and I wouldn't have a chance.'

The ice wouldn't even let Jeanine Horigan out of her car in Webster Groves, Mo. She stopped at her parents' house and tried to get out, but the car slid across the lawn, toppled a tree and came to rest against a bush. Leaving her three kids in the car, Jean crawled to her parents' door and the three adults made a chain to rescue the kids.

'My daughter put on my golf shoes, and my husband came out, and we got a chain going," Horigan's mother told the Post-Dispatch. "We handed her a rake, my husband had another yard implement, and I held a broom. Then we got a rope.'

All we want right now is a little spring. We don't even order ice in our drinks anymore around here. And all we want next Christmas is our two legs, and we want them underneath us instead of splayed out at right angles

from our torsos.

Deadliest Scud attack kills 28 U.S. soldiers, injures 100

By GEORGE ESPER **AP Special Correspondent**

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DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) - The soldiers' belongings were gathered from the debris of death and packed in their duffle bags.

The small American flags they waved when they arrived in Saudi Arabia were tucked into the tops of some of the bags that would accompany 27 of them on their final journey home.

In a moment's flash, a single Iraqi Scud missile inflicted more casualties on American soldiers than its million-man army and thousands of tanks have in two days of ground combat.

Only hours before Iraq announced it was withdrawing from Kuwait, it skyrocketed the ballistic weapon into a metal warehouse converted into an American barracks and mess hall.

Baghdad radio hailed the attack against "the coward traitors who mortgage the sacred places of the nation ... and turn Arab youth into shields of flesh.' The U.S. command said 28 American servicemen

were killed and 100 were wounded Monday night in by far the deadliest of nearly 70 Scud attacks. Four Americans were reported killed and 21 wounded in the opening days of the allied ground drive into Iraq and Kuwait. Most of Scuds, including an attack Monday on the

island-nation of Bahrain, have been intercepted by U.S.supplied Patriot defense missiles. Iraq early today also fired its first Scud at Qatar, an

Arab member of the multinational coalition. It crashed in a deserted area and no damage was reported, according to the official Qatari news agency.

George Manes, the Middle East bureau chief for the military newspaper Stars & Stripes, said an air-raid siren



at age 77.

Monday.

due to cardiac arrest.'

Daly's office in New York, Ms.

Bader said she spoke with Daly

by telephone on Sunday, "and he

He studied at Boston College

ington, D.C., transit company when

he joined CBS in 1937.

An American soldier walks through the rubble of a U.S. military barracks Tuesday morngave scant warning of the Scud that hit the barracks. Less ing after an Iraqi Scud missile destroyed the structure Monday night.

than a minute after the sirens sounded, the missile broke apart in a shower of firey orange streaks, he reported.

The Scud broke up in flight and what appeared to be ts warhead plunged into the building, which is 3 miles from a major U.S. air base, while many of the soldiers

were eating and relaxing. A singed sign at the entrance marked it as the home of the 475th Quartermaster Group, a reserve unit from Farrell, Pa., north of Pittsburgh. But U.S. officials refused to say what unit was inside because relatives of

victims had not been notified. The explosion crumpled the building's girders. No Patriot missile was fired to intercept the Scud, said sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

A convoy of ambulances and medical evacuation helicopters carried away the wounded amid sirens that wailed non-stop through the night. A chaplain moved among the dead to pray for them and among the living to console them. Soldiers cried and embraced each other in anguish.

An Army soldier sat weeping near the skeleton of a building that a short time ago had been her home. Nearby, a military policeman whispered something

nto the ear of a female colleague as she strapped her M-16 over her shoulder. She took a deep breath and said to no one in particular, "I have to prepare myself for this." A bleary-eyed private walked past, his desert cam-

ouflage uniform rumpled and dirty, hair matted to his head, tears running down his left cheek.

"Try to take a break, man," a burly MP told him, offering a pat on the back.

Amidst the rubble, four pairs of boots poked out from under blankets. The charred floor was littered with sleeping bags, cots and military uniform belts. Near the body of one soldier was a letter addressed to a woman in Petersburg, Va. She would share his last moments of life.

Journalist John Daly dies

Man says he released Sarpalius tapes to 'flush out' story

AMARILLO (AP) – A man who amateur radio operator. described himself as a fledgling journalist says he was just trying to flush out a story when he distributed phone with a woman. copies of an audio tape conversation and a woman to members of the

news media. Linus Baker testified Monday in his own defense at his federal court sure of the contents of an intercept- Amarillo Globe-News reported. ed telephone conversation.

people the contents of a wire and obtained. electronic telephone conversation,

namely a telephone conversation. faces is \$35,000 in fines. Baker is not charged with actually performing an illegal intercept, which would

be a felony. The man told U.S. District Judge Magistrate Clinton E. Averitte that lar phone conversation is illegal, lishe was given the tape by a friend, tening in on a cordless phone con- from Howard, denied that he dis- the conversation, but said she Brad Ferguson, who said the tape versation and other radio broadcast tributed the tape in an effort to became suspicious because she had

The audiotapes contained a con-

between U.S. Rep. Bill Sarpalius because he knew of Baker's involvement in journalism as a student at Amarillo College, the defendant said.

Ferguson could not be reached

Baker said he did not know that before. Baker, 36, also is charged with the conversation between Sarpalius intentionally disclosing to seven and Michelle Martinez was illegally

Baker cannot be jailed if he is conversation and a cordless phone recorded and released just weeks convicted. The maximum penalty he conversation traveling through the before he sought re-election.

public had ready access to," he told the court.

While eavesdropping on a celluwas accidentally recorded by an communications is not, said defense destroy Sarpalius. He said the public an unlisted telephone number.

lawyer Jeff Blackburn.

Audio tapes of the cellular televersation on Sarpalius' cellular tele- phone conversation, which Sarpalius testified took place on Aug. 29, were Ferguson gave Baker the tape distributed to members of the Amarillo news media in mid-October.

Sarpalius, who is divorced, testified that he had a 41-minute cellular phone conversation with Martinez as he played golf on Ross Rogers trial on charges of unlawful disclo- for comment late Monday, the Golf Course. He said he had seen to know. her at Hummer's some months

> The Amarillo Democrat said he didn't know the conversation was being taped. He said he doesn't have He said he didn't know the dif- a problem with what he said, only ference between a cellular phone the timing of the tape because it was

Sarpalius' staff on Oct. 17 turned "I thought it was something the a copy of the tape over to the FBI, special agent Scott Hendricks testified. Hendricks said he interviewed

Baker on Nov. 8. Baker, under cross-examination was contacted by Baker to discuss

needed to know about how Sarpalius, an alumnus of Cal Farley's Boy's Ranch, conducted himself.

Baker said he deemed the tape newsworthy because Sarpalius was 'using every trick in the book" to get Martinez to go on a date with him.

If a congressman portrays an image of a "white knight," and he's not, Baker said the public has a right

Baker said he distributed the tape to officials of the Amarillo College Ranger, the student newspaper; others at the school's journalism department and to several radio and television stations, as well as to the Globe-News.

Phil Fretz, editorial page editor of the Amarillo Globe-News, testified that he didn't see the news value of the tape.

KFDA-TV did not accept the tape, but Baker did deliver a copy to KAMR-TV and to KGNC Radio.

Ms. Martinez testified that she vice president in charge of the net- Francis. work's news operation.

CHEVY CHASE, Md. (AP) - columnist Dorothy Kilgallen, pub-John Daly, a former war correspon- lisher Bennett Cerf, actress Arlene dent and game-show host, is dead Francis and comedian Henry Morgan – tried to guess the occupations of guests.

His long-time assistant said Monday that Daly was found dead It was the longest-running at his home Sunday. Although he game show in the history of primesuffered from emphysema, Lila time network television. The show Bader said, "I believe death was ran for a few years after 1967 under another moderator in syndi-In a telephone interview from

Daly was director of the Voice of America in 1967 and 1968.

Mark Goodson, producer of was going to do his taxes" on What's My Line, said of Daly: "He was the permanent fixture of the A native of South Africa, Daly show. He was perfect for that day; moved to the United States as a always wore black tie, very elegant, ery courtly."

Actress Arlene Francis, a reguand was a scheduler for the Wash- lar guest on the show, recalled Daly's genuine interest in people and information.

After covering the White House "He was just the most superb and World War II in Europe and the moderator of any show. He had so Middle East, Daly moved to ABC much humor without being a in 1949. From 1953 to 1960 he was clown. He had infinite charm," said

Daly is survived by his wife, For 17 years - until 1967 - he Virginia, a daughter of former also was moderator of the televi- Chief Justice Earl Warren, and six sion show, What's My Line, in children, three from a previous which a panel of regulars - often marriage.

Economists expect shorter recession than post-1945 average

Columbia have cracks, but hinges on the hinges have been damaged or

the shuttle Atlantis appear fine, he said. whether Discovery flew with the NASA on Sunday tested Columbia's cracks in October, he said. Since

doors, duplicating the condition of Distant flight, the two flapper doors

covery's doors. Germany called the have been opened and closed 70 to

By JOHN D. McCLAIN **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) - A substantial majority of the nation's top economic forecasters say the recession will be briefer and less severe than the post-World War II average for downturns, a survey released

today showed. Sixty-one percent of forecasters polled look for the recession to be shorter than the post-1945 average of 11 months, while 36 percent think it will be about average in length, the National Association of Busi-

ness Economists said. "As for the recession depth, 78 percent expect to see less than the while 15 percent expect about an of goods and services. average decline," the association

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP)

Tests indicate the doors should operate properly during the flight, Dan Germany, manager of the

A NASA official says further

study is needed before deciding

whether the space shuttle Discovery can fly safely next month with

orbiter projects office at Johnson

"It looks like we do have a sta-

But NASA officials will wait

Germany said he believes the cracks can be fixed at the launch

pad. Moving the shuttle back to the

hangar could cause a delay of sever-

Discovery's eight-day military mission would be the first shuttle

The cracks were caused by wear

There are two hinges on each of

and tear to the two doors on the belly of Discovery, Germany said.

the two flapper doors for fuel lines

to the massive external tank. The

doors are supposed to shut tightly

once the tank drops off after

erly, the shuttle could be destroyed

by the intense heat of atmospheric

Discovery's four hinges, Germany said.

If the doors failed to close prop-

The mechanism that opens and closes the door is cracked on three of

until later this week to decide whether to launch Discovery around March 9 or roll the shuttle back to

Space Center, said Monday.

ble system," Germany said.

the hangar for repairs.

al weeks or more.

flight of the year.

blastoff.

cracked door hinges.

showed just over half of the 54 my's initial recovery. economists believe the recession thirds had predicted last November percent in the fourth. The November that it would end in the first three poll forecast a 2.0 percent growth months of this year.

In the new survey, 22 percent put cent in the fourth. the low point in the current quarter, while 18 percent said the downturn through 1992, with the economy will bottom out in the third quarter

2.1 percent in the fourth quarter of ed. The previous survey forecast 1990, and the median expectations growth of 0.5 percent in 1991. of the NABE economists are for a quarter and a 0.3 percent decline in

postwar average 2.5 percent decline as at least two consecutive declines quick resolution to the Gulf War," in GNP (gross national product), in the GNP, the nation's total output said the survey summary.

first two weeks of February, also alter their projection of the econo-factors most often mentioned that

NASA says shuttle probably can fly with cracked hinges

Two hinges on the shuttle

They foresee a growth rate of 1.9 will end in the second quarter. Two-percent in the third quarter and 2.5 rate in the third quarter and 2.5 per-

The recovery will continue growing 2.5 percent on a year-overyear basis, up from a decline of 0.2 The GNP fell at an annual rate of percent this year, the survey indicat-

"Contributing to the recession's 1.6 percent decline in the current end and a recovery beginning in the second half of 1991 are the past easing of monetary policy and the A recession generally is defined prospects for lower oil prices and a

"On the other hand, concern that But while the forecasters monetary policy will not ease furextended the length of the reces- ther, fast enough, and the reluctance The survey, conducted during the sion, they did not significantly of banks to make loans are the two

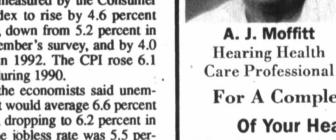
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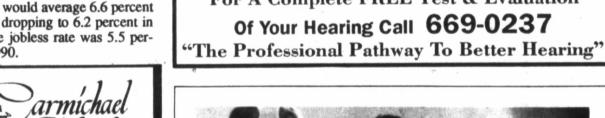
could make the recession longer and deeper than currently expected," it added.

At the same time, the survey found improved inflation prospects, presumably because of a fall in oil prices that had skyrocketed immediately after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait disrupted world petroleum

The forecasters projected living costs as measured by the Consumer Price Index to rise by 4.6 percent this year, down from 5.2 percent in last November's survey, and by 4.0 percent in 1992. The CPI rose 6.1 percent during 1990.

And the economists said unemployment would average 6.6 percent this year, dropping to 6.2 percent in 1992. The jobless rate was 5.5 percent in 1990.







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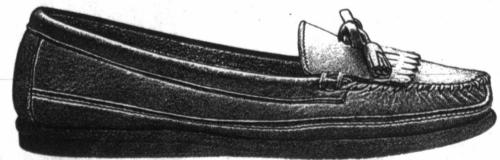
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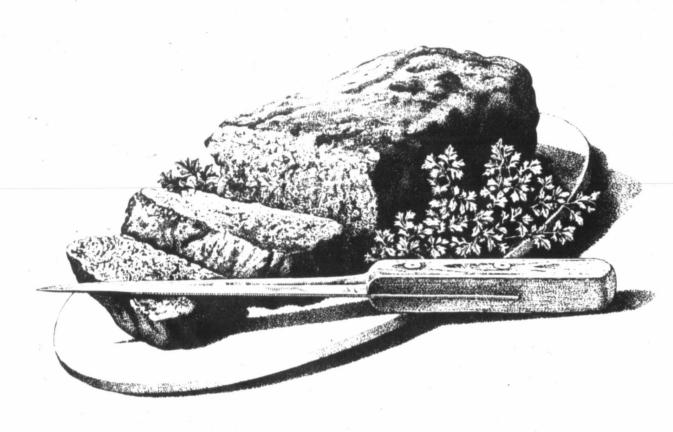
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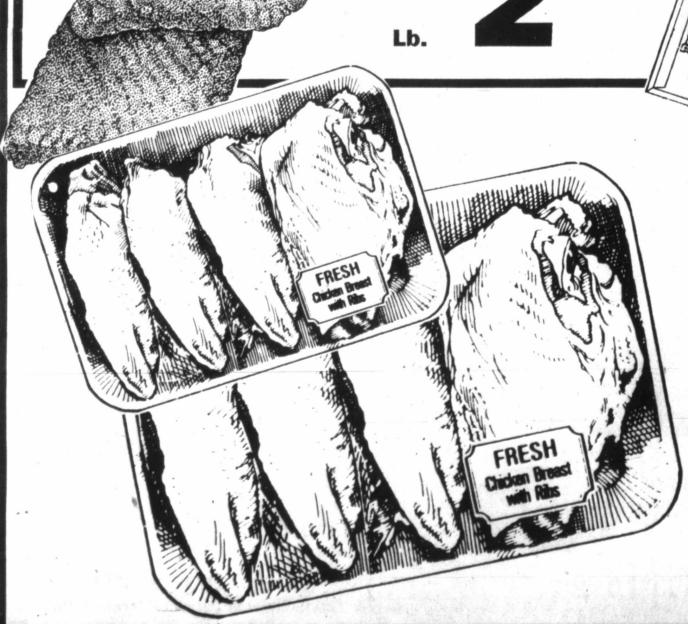
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Recession brings new kind of shopper to second-hand stores



A customer of the "Bargain Basement" used clothes store in Boston inspects an article of clothing Saturday from the racks of second-hand quality items for sale at the store. Thrift shops and second-hand clothing stores are reporting an increase in customer interest for their goods.

By ANNE STUART **Associated Press Writer**

has forced many money-strapped consumers to take a first look at second-hand stores, and thrift-shop operators report seeing a new type of buyer, one who sometimes arrives

As the recession continues, the store operators also report a problem not usually seen before, secondhand stores running out of many items because people aren't giving them away.

"More people are holding on to where their next paycheck is coming from," said Al Crocker of the St. Vincent DePaul Society in

But when thrift shops can get hold of merchandise, many operators report that business is booming.

Goodwill Industries reported sales of \$325 million in its 1,200 stores in high for many people. 1990, up 8.5 percent from the previ-Md.-based organization.

ures, "what I'm hearing back from basically up," said Lt. Col. Leon customers are still shopping with \$15; Guess jeans, \$8.

spokesman in Verona, N.J.

"Our sales are just phenomenal, BOSTON (AP) - The recession and it's during a time when no one else's are," said Maj. Dick Norris, who manages a Salvation Army center in downtown Dallas. "Our little store had a 30 percent growth factor last year."

> Business is also brisk in South Florida, where about 10,000 airline toasters, as well as dishes, pots and workers lost their jobs after Miamibased Eastern Airlines stopped flying last month.

things because they're not sure a Goodwill spokeswoman in Fort time people donate to us is when Lauderdale.

> But Goodwill reports sluggishness in Southern California and the Northeast.

> Lynn Manning, sales manager for Boston-area Goodwill Industries, says some areas of the Northeast are so poor even bargain prices are too

We have seen in the majority of said. ous year, said Jeanne Hamrick, our stores an increase in sales, but in spokeswoman for the Bethesda, some sales, located in areas that are While unable to provide exact fig-problems," she said.

the stores nationwide is that we're Goodwill officials say their regular Harve Benard suit, marked down to

Ferraez, a Salvation Army them, but the stores haven't pulled in the upscale business that other areas have.

"That hasn't happened, at least not in the Los Angeles area," said William Day, Goodwill vice-president of marketing and sales.

Elsewhere, several managers complained of shortages of small household appliances, such as pans, and sporting goods equip-

"If the retail stores are saying 'I was in the store last week, in everything's down, it means people the middle of the week, and they aren't buying," said Norris of the were packed," said Bobbi Wigand, Dallas Salvation Army. "The only they buy new things.

Store operators also say many people who might have bought new items at another store before are now shopping at the thrift store instead.

"We still have our Cadillacs parked in front as well as the little family station wagon," he

Etta Jane Schaeffer, owner of the Bargain Closet in Pawtucket, R.I., very depressed, we've been having listed a few examples from her current stock: Joan & David shoes, \$8; And in Southern California, a Neiman Marcus silk dress, \$32; a

Researchers wrangle over whether left-handers die at younger age

By MALCOLM RITTER **AP Science Writer**

NEW YORK (AP) – The research began with observation that older people were less likely to be lefthanded than younger people. It led to a startling proposal: Maybe leftthan right-handers.

research suggests southpaws die an average of nine years earlier.

Other researchers are skeptical. "It's provocative, it's hard to believe, and it should be viewed with extreme caution," said Paul Satz of the University of California, Los Angeles, School of Medicine.

trust their results, and that they hope and batted with the left hand lived that the right-handers died at an ens her confidence in it. identifying the reasons for a for an average of about 64 years, average age of 75, compared to longevity difference will help make which was eight months less than about 66 for the others. They got combination of factors to explain the world safer for left-handed peo- the corresponding group of right- about the same answer when they

said Stanley Coren of the University of British Columbia in Vancouver,

Some 10 percent to 13 percent of said psychology Professor Philip unconvinced.

virtually nobody 80 or older.

How to explain it? Initially, "the true handedness, Bryden said. handed people tend to die younger thought that left-handers might be Now, two scientists say their from our minds. It sounded and Halpern sent questionnaires to bizarre," Coren recalled.

> Bernardino say two of their studies responses. suggest that may be so. They make their case in the January issue of the the average life span of the deceased Psychological Bulletin.

But the study's authors say they baseball players. Those who threw the others in the sample. They found "By finding these factors maybe the southpaws lived to age 90, vs. of the writing hand. ve can do something about them." more than 2.5 percent of the right-

the population is left-handed. Bryden of the University of Water-Around 1980, several studies found loo in Ontario, Canada, it was that left-handedness declines with restricted to men who were healthy age. One found it in about 15 per- enough to have played professional cent of people younger than 20, 5 baseball. And a player's throwing percent of people in their 50s, and and batting hand may simply indicate special training rather than his

The nine-year longevity gap dying off was the farthest things emerged from a second study. Coren the next-of-kin listed on 2,875 death But he and Diane Halpern of Calicertificates filed in two California a representative sample? fornia State University in San counties. They got 987 usable

The information let them compare people who wrote, drew and threw One study focused on 2,271 dead with their right hands against that of

was astounded."

its statistical analysis. In addition, told The Associated Press they were

Coren disagreed, saying handedbaseball player study.

Searleman and others suggested the study may have been flawed. Were the reports from the next-ofkin reliable, given that they identified relatively few left-handers among the deceased? Did the nextof-kin who responded really provide

Halpern said next-of-kin probably did erroneously report that some southpaws were right-handed, as prior research says people do. But she said that would tend to obscure a longevity difference, so the fact that one emerged anyway only strength-

Coren and Halpern propose a why left-handers may die earlier. handers. Fewer than 0.5 percent of divided the group on the basis only Their death-certificate study found death from accidental injuries. The study has been attacked for Five left-handedness researchers may be put at risk when they operate automobiles and major equipment ference. designed for right-handers.

agree how much - studies suggest by inadequate data. others become left-handed because of very subtle brain injury before or during birth, Coren and Halpern between left-handedness and immune system disorders, they said.

Neurological and immunological deficits could reduce the "survival minority of southpaws. fitness" of left-handers and so shorten lifespan, the researchers pro-

accident risk might be reduced through better design of autos and can also be countered.

pared to accept the eight-month younger than women, Coren said. longevity gap suggested by the basewhich fits the notion that southpaws arguments said they were not convinced of any general longevity dif-

Clare Porac of the University of it."

In addition, many left-handers Victoria, British Columbia, said she ness is not listed on death records may be at a medical disadvantage, was willing to entertain the possibiland "nobody knew to look" for they say. While some left-handed- ity but considered Coren and longevity differences before the ness is genetic - researchers dis- Halpern's arguments to be backed

> Satz said it is reasonable to suspect that people who are left-handed because of neurological injury could said. Other studies suggest a link die earlier, but that he doubted genetic left-handers face any such risk. He said he thinks neurological injury probably acounts for only a

He and Dr. Albert Galaburda of Beth Israel Hospital in Boston also said it is not clear whether left-hand-If all this is true, they say, the edness is truly linked to immune system disorders.

While research goes on, Coren heavy equipment, and perhaps the and Halpern said, left-handers effects of the medical abnormalities should take their findings in stride. After all, men do not generally panic Although Bryden said he was pre- over the fact that they tend to die

Halpern said the results are simply that southpaws had a higher rate of ball player study, other researchers statistical associations that do not familiar with Coren and Halpern's predict anything about an individual. Left-handers, she said, should "eat right, exercise, take good care of themselves and not worry about

Innovative academy course teaches police officers how illegal drugs are made

By MELINDA W. BIGELOW **Kilgore News Herald**

KILGORE (AP) - Kilgore is noted for its skyline of oil derricks and a world-famous dance drill team, but a new program at the East Texas Police Academy, which is part of Kilgore College, could soon be

added to the list. The Institution for Drug Education and its "hands on" policy to teach police officers about the making of illegal drugs may well be the only one in the nation, according to Bill Echart, chairman of the Protective Services for Kilgore College.

Why train police officers to

make illicit drugs? 'The upsurge in the number of methamphetamine labs in East Texas is due to the rural location and the good ol' boy police who wouldn't know a meth lab if they saw one, so officers need training,' says Les Ferguson, who joined the institution in December after five years as an agent with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration. He is one of 15 officers DEA has certified as a methamphetamine

instructor. Ferguson told a class about the time a police officer went to a house where methamphetamines were cooking. DEA agents who had staked out the house were concerned the officer would blow their operation. But he left, telling the occupants to have a good day, because he did not recognize the signs of illegal activity.

"How much does the average officer know about drugs? Not much," Ferguson said. "The bad guys know what they are doing and the more knowledge police officers have, the better equipped they are to apprehend those breaking the law."

Since its inception Dec. 1, 1990. 295 law enforcement officers have taken the 10-hour class, which is an eye-opening and sinus-clearing experience.

The smell of chemicals used to manufacture the methamphetamines permeates the air.

The officers are instructed to wash their hands after every segment and to not touch their eyes, nose or mouth.

Officers begin the session by learning to manicure marijuana, separating the stems and seeds from the actual weed, then they try their hand at rolling a joint.

"If an officer went into a house on a domestic violence call and saw

a dollar bill and a Sonic tray on a table, he or she might not know the significance if they had not received training," Ferguson said.

at drive-in fast food restaurants are often stolen and used for separating the seeds and stems.

Although marijuana was the drug of choice in the early '70s, the money is currently in methamphetamines, Ferguson said. It takes approximately \$2,500 to

set up a methamphetamine lab and \$50,000 is realized off the initial investment in 18-24 hours, he said.

Ferguson said an Upshur County laboratory netted over \$1 million in five months.

The finished product sells for \$100 a gram or \$180,000 a pound.

laboratory costs the federal government approximately \$50,000. DEA handles 95 percent of all labs, Ferguson said, since few law enforcement

Materials from a methamphetamine lab are considered hazardous waste, and DEA is annually allocated \$2 million dispose of the materials, Ferguson said.

East Texas has the distinction of being the No. 2 methamphetamine

In 1987, there were 43 labs in the 28-county East Texas DEA region, 60 in 1988, and 140 in 1990.

"Meth labs aren't anything to be afraid of when you go in, just don't smoke, and as long as it doesn't overheat, you're OK going in," Ferguson

Trays placed on vehicle windows told the officers. One of the most useful tools for an officer in seeking a meth lab is his sense of smell to detect the distinct odor of phenol acetone or ether.

But a manufacturing method that uses red phosphorus can be deadly.

"If you get a whiff from a red phosphorus meth lab, it's too late,

you're dead," Echart said. Chemical pneumonia is another danger for officers raiding a drug lab, the instructors noted.

Equipment for the clandestine labs includes common items that are easily acquired, including reflux condensers, heating mantles, separatory Dismantling a methamphetamine funnels, Reostats and triple neck reaction flasks, Ferguson said.

Key indicators of a clandestine lab are a person who purchases a large amount of ice, strong or agencies are able to handle the unusual odors, chemical cans, people coming outside only to smoke, unusual amounts of traffic, and people who come to the residence for brief visits. Other signs could be unusual barriers on buildings or new high fences when there is no livestock to contain.

region in the nation, trailing only homes, motel rooms and storage sheds, and many of them are frequently moved to avoid detection.

Ferguson said rock cocaine also is frequently found in East Texas.

for \$200 a gram, Ferguson said. The value of two and a half kilos of pure, pharmaceutical cocaine is \$236,000 on the street, Ferguson

Crack is made by taking equal amounts of cocaine and baking soda. dropping the mixture in boiling water and cooling to make a rock, Echart

The effects of crack last up to 15 minutes, while the effects of a few grains of methamphetamines can last

from six to eight hours. Some people use illegal drugs out

in the open. 'Adults in a coffee shop will pull out what appears to be a package of Sweet and Low or Equal and drop the contents in a cup of coffee, but they have slit the package and put in crack so the package is a hit and they are high," Echart said.

LSD is the No. 1 choice at an area university, Ferguson said.

"I would have never thought that LSD would have seen a resurgence since the long-lasting hallucinogenic effects of the drug are well documented," Ferguson said.

Heroin also was covered in the class. Black tar heroin, which was displayed in a small medicine vial, Labs often are found in motor sells for \$400 to \$500 per gram, while China White costs the same but is 1,000 times more potent.

> 'Some heroin users who are accustomed to black tar do not know the effects of China White and die

Crack cocaine sells on the street from the first use of the white substance, the instructor explained.

> Some signs of a person who may constructed pupils, dark circles under the eyes, speed bumps (look like black heads or poison ivy on arms), permeation of drug or chemical odor, discoloration of fingers (will be green for marijuana), erratic pupils and clammy skin.

exceptions. For amphetamine use, ment. they appear to have very poor personal hygiene, although they bathe regularly. Cuts on fingers are also a common sign.

Heroin users are not very violent, but in a euphoric state. In addition to the telltale needle tracks, some herobe using drugs include dilated or in users have bumps on the skin. The bumps are created when heroin is "skin popped" which is an injection just under the skin. If a heroin user's supply is low, they will often "skin pop" the drug for a sustained effect.

People being tested for alcohol intoxication are checked for hori-Ferguson said most people on zontal eye movement, while drug drugs lose weight, but there are users are tested in for vertical move-

When officers completed the day of training, one officer commented, "I've been to a lot of schools but this is the best by far."

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Don't keep kids in the dark about family finances

NEW YORK (AP) - Parents may find talking to their children about money problems can be as stressful as the financial woes.

'Our reluctance to discuss money problems may come from a sense of pride, wanting to protect our kids from bad news, or fear of being embarrassed by having that news spread around," says Dr. Lawrence Kutner, author of "Parent & Child: Getting Through to Each Other'

It's hard to decide how much you should tell a child, he says, but a good rule of thumb is to tell him as much about your finances as you would if he asked about sex. Enough to make him feel comfortable, not so much that it

The important thing is to be specific and use examples he can relate to. Let him know that while you can't buy a new comforter for his bed right now, he won't have to give up his old blanket or his bed. Also, tell him that your hard times are not his fault.

If children become too involved, Kutner says, they may feel a responsibility to "save" the family. Children don't realize how unrealistic and inap-

propriate these impulses are. A child who sells her stuffed animals to friends and gives her father a handful of quarters may have good intentions, but the emotional cost can be tremendous. The child feels an overwhelming responsibility that she can't meet, and the father sees the coins as another sign of his inadequacy.

While it may seem easier to pretend nothing is wrong, children are emotional sponges. They can feel the tension in the home. Evasiveness can also lead children to imagine problems more frightening

than the truth, or to assume that they somehow caused the bad situation. "Parents are often surprised years later to find out how much children knew at the time about stressful events," Kutner says. "Sometimes they're also surprised by how much of that information was wrong."

Kutner suggests that when you talk to your children about money troubles, begin by addressing their unspoken fears: "Am I safe? Will I be abandoned?" Telling your kids, for example, that although you've lost your job they're not going to lose you, prevents needless worries and opens the way for air-clearing discussions.

"It's very reassuring to children to hear you talking about the steps the family will take to remedy the situation," Kutner says. "Let them know why you may be canceling a vacation, or that you're trying to stretch the food budget by cooking at home more often."

Ask the children to suggest ways they could help meet the family's goals. Even small children can help by sharing toys rather than asking for new ones. Older kids can limit demands for new clothes or other items.

"Let children know that money is not the only way to help," Kutner says. "Emotional support to help everyone weather the tough times can be more valuable than dollars."

Restored houses look old but act like new

an old building might have archi-

It is typical for a Victorian to be

missing some of its architectural

trim. Exterior detail may still be

there, but it may be unnoticed

highlighted it. A new paint job for

Adding moldings around door

or windows or building a porte

cochere in front of the door,

replacing missing trim around

windows and on upper floors can

also make a difference, says Pat-

terson, who often uses these meth-

or Cape Cod often lacks crispness.

Paint the shutters a different color,

put a brass knocker on the door or

an appropriate period outdoor fix-

ture next to the door. More expen-

sive projects might be a new

vestibule or entryway, a front or

back porch or a covered breeze-

way that better ties the garage and

Sometimes new landscaping is

"Instead of a plain concrete

path straight up to the front door,

we added a low stone wall with a

to a Cape Cod house and made

room for a garden," Patterson

Consider adding interior details

the house may never have had but

that are in keeping with its style.

One that is not too complex or

costly is a marquetry design for

the vestibule floor. It can be inlaid

wood, ceramic or vinyl tile, even

The standard clapboard colonial

the trim may be all that's needed.

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By BARBARA MAYER **AP Newsfeatures**

It's easier today to live a 20thcentury life in an 18th-century house because you can satisfy your strong allegiance to period because a single paint color covdesign as well as a need for a ers the original multi-colors that modern kitchen and bath.

It used to be that nooks and crannies near the kitchen were knocked out to enlarge the space, and small bedrooms were turned into bathrooms. But today, there's an effort to mesh authenticity and

One way is to add a wing so the original building can be left intact.

Maureen McKasy-Donlin directs the Center for Historic Houses at the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Washington. She keeps abreast of such trends by reading hundreds of entries in the National Trust's Great American Homes awards competitions.

"Those who restore or renovate an old house now tend to be house. charmed by the opportunities and idiosyncracies spaces like broom closets and pantries offer," she

Thus they are more likely to build a wing onto the rear for a wooden gate and a stone walkway new kitchen and family room, so that the front retains its traditional look. Upstairs, the new space says. "These literally changed the would accommodate a master bedroom and bath.

As for modern furnishings in a period dwelling, she says there are three schools of thought:

"Hide it, flaunt it, or zone it." The first method places anachronisms like computers and TVs behind closed doors.

The second finds no clash between an Amish quilt, a rocking chair and a computer in the same

But often, the treatment depends on the room. The parlor is period and the kitchen high tech.

A house doesn't have to be old to warrant restoration. Generally, if it's at least 50 years old it has earned the right to be called historic. Interesting houses of more recent vintage also qualify.

"I wish each homeowner would keep a diary and take pictures of the house and its changes and would pass this information on to the new homeowner," McKasy-Donlin says. "If you can't live with it, at least record it."

McKee Patterson, a Southport, Conn., architect specializing in residential restoration, reports greater interest in rescuing an old house from past mistakes.

Being sympathetic to a structure sometimes means restoring detail removed earlier in an effort to update it. Sometimes it means correcting original errors since even



Dear Abby **Abigail Van Buren**

Engagement ring is promise to wed, not a prize to keep

DEAR ABBY: If you ever get tired of writing your advice column, you should consider the legal profession.

You had a letter in your column recently concerning an engagement ring. The question: If a man gives a girl an engagement ring and four hours later they break up, should the woman return the ring?

You said, "The gentleman has every right to expect the lady to return the ring. And if she doesn't, she's no lady.

I recently read an item in the lowa City Press-Citizen that said. "Engagement rings become real gifts only when the wedding happens, and must otherwise be returned, the Iowa Court of Appeals has ruled.'

The judges said it didn't matter who did the jilting. The court rejected as sexist and archaic earlier rulings that let courts award an engagement ring to the person who

IOWA ABBY FAN

DEAR FAN: I've had that "who owns the ring" question put to me in a variety of situations. Examples: The couple enjoyed a three-year engagement with "sleeping-over privileges," so the woman felt that she had earned the diamond engagement ring. (Well, if she "earned" it, that makes her a professional.)

In another situation, after a two-year engagement, "Romeo' met another damsel who stole his heart. So, as a consolation prize and to assuage his guilt, he told Damsel No. 1 she could keep the ring.

I'm with the Iowa judge. An just a ring — it signifies a promise to wed. And if the wedding does not take place, the ring should be returned to the person who paid for it.

DEAR ABBY: "Shocked," "Educated" and "Disillusioned Teacher" were all addressing the lack of educated high-school graduates in this country. This is not a new issue. Politicians, educators and businessmen have been lamenting this proba lem for years. I do not pretend to have the solution to this crisis; however, there is something every parent could do to alleviate the prob-

When my son's first-grade teacher told us that "John" was not doing very well in school, my wife and I allocated one to two hours an evening to help him study while we actively coached him. John was not happy about the loss of his free time for play or television. (And we were not happy about our own loss of relaxation time.) We felt that the sacrifice was necessary to make him a good student before he developed bad attitudes or bad habits.

I am happy to report that our study time has made the family closer. John is now doing better in Just stripping the stone foundaschool. He no longer needs a lot of tion that has been mistakenly time to complete his studies, and we painted is like putting a house on have not missed the time that we a pedestal. Painting the front door spent with him. Sign me a contrasting color also works

CATCH THEM WHILE THEY'RE YOUNG IN MUNDELEIN, ILL.

DEAR CATCH THEM: You are absolutely right. One cannot expect children with poor study habits to blossom miraculously into scholars without supervision and additional coaching from a caring parent or caretaker. You made an investment in time and patience, and it paid off. Congratulations.





The Pompeli problem team includes in the top photo, back, left, Lindsay Lewis, Suzanne Gattis, Jordan Fruge' and Erik Derr. Front row, Patty Dinges, Arvin Bhatia and Seth Lewis. The transfor engagement ring is more than mation problem team includes in the bottom photo, back, left, Dottie Youngblood, Daryl Shook, Kristina Porter and David Dennis. Front row, left, Rachel Laycock, James Thaxton, Candi Terry and Michael Plunk.

Pampa students prepare for Odyssey of the Mind competition in Lubbock, March 2

at Austin Elementary School.

These students, which make up Odyssey of the Mind competition on Forrest Plunk the Texas Tech campus, Lubbock, on March 2.

problems to choose from. After the and Marcella Diller. problem is chosen, a solution is pre-

the Gifted and Talented program of students must decide how to solve the Pampa Independent School Dis- the problem, do research, decide on trict, presented their problem solv- a solution, and develop a presentaing abilities to the public on Feb. 19 tion to explain this solution to the

The teams are coached by teacher, two teams from various campuses in Kay Crouch and parents, Mr. and the city, are preparing to go to the Mrs. Randy Derr and Mr. and Mrs.

Acting as judges for the local presentation were Kay Harvey, Fran The teams are given a range of Kludt, Reba Hanks, Carol Fruge'

One problem chosen involved the

Fifth grade students involved in tion. In preparing the solution, the destruction and included information about art and artifacts relating to Pompeii.

The second problem chosen involved creating and presenting a performance that showed the changes or evolutions of something. Four changes must be presented. The team must must take photographs or make drawing illustrating each phase of the change.

The top two teams at the regional competition will go on to the state competition in April. First place winner in state will go to the world sented to the judges at the competi- ancient city of Pompeii and its competition in Nashville, Tenn.

Families less nurturing during recession

suffer emotional stress during economic hard times such as a reces-

Patricia Voydanoff, director of the Center for the Study of Family Development at the University of Dayton, says a recession can cause depression and anxiety in individuals, and its effects on families are wide-ranging.

"Families need a certain level of income and job security to survive," she says. "Without them, many families separate or even divorce."

Writing in a recent issue of the Journal of Marriage and the Fami-

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among children. argue," Voydanoff says, "they lems and lower their job expectabecome less nurturing and more tions.'

NEW YORK (AP) — Families ly, she says economic distress also inconsistent with their children. may create behavior problems Children in economically distressed families are more likely to "When stress occurs and parents become ill, develop behavior prob-



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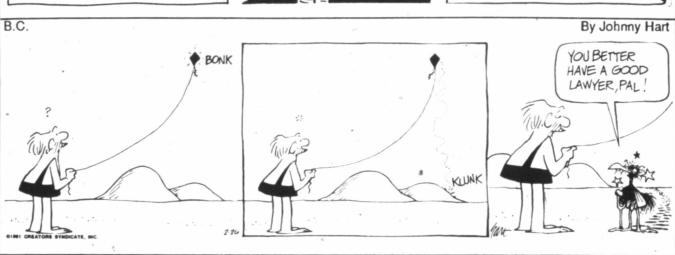
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Astro-Graph

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PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you spend your time and efforts on truly meaningful endeavors today, your feelings of self-worth will be considerably enhanced. If your day isn't productively structured, you'll feely guilty. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try to participate in spontaneous, fun diversions today without feeling guilty about it. It's the middle of the work week! Keep in mind, however, moderation in all things

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your greatest gratification today will come from looking out for the needs of others rather than focusing on your self-interests.

A generous mind-set is ennobling. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your greatest asset today is your ability to communicate effectively with others. You should do well in writing, selling, promoting or instructing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) There are times to be frugal and days when it is OK to splurge within reasonable parameters. You should be able to combine these extremes without detrimental results today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) People with whom you'll be involved today aren't likely to be as effective in leadership situations as you will be. Taking charge of critical developments appears to be inevitable

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Much more can be accomplished today by functioning as the power behind the scenes rather than by trying to make your presence felt in the front ranks. Keep a low

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you realistically strive for objectives, you will remain in a favorable cycle in which hopes and expectations can become realities. Clarify your goals and go after what you

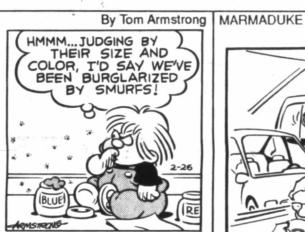
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) What others perceive you to be is extremely important at this time, especially today. It won't be what you accomplish that counts as much as how you go about

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The most important lesson you'll learn today isn't likely to be found in classrooms or books. There are strong indications you might have a personal experience that will prove to be extremely enlightening. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your

possibilities for reaping material gains from sources other than your usual ones look good today. Listen carefully if a competent associate talks to you about something potentially profitable. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Making commitments is something that must be taken seriously today. If you pledge your word to do something, make every effort to follow it through.











'Let me understand...that's three steak dinners, one of them in a doggie bag?'

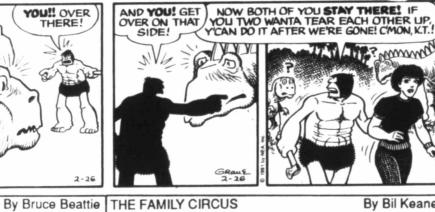




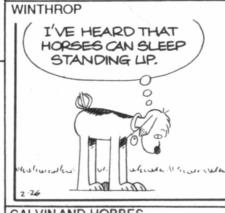
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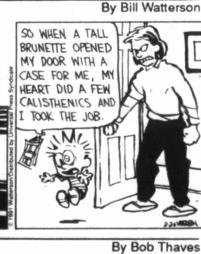
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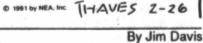
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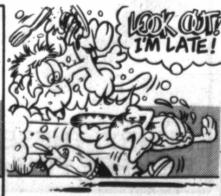




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Pampa residents perform a skit during a community pep rally for the Harvesters' basketball team Monday night in the high school auditorium. The Havesters play Burkburnett at 7:45 p.m. tonight at Lubbock Municipal Coliseum in a Class 4A regional semifinal game.

No. 1 UNLY wears down down another opponent

scored 18 of his 22 points in the first time lead. half Monday night as the No. 1 Runnin Rebels methodically wore down No. 11 New Mexico State 86-74.

The win was the 37th straight for UNLV (26-0, 17-0 in the Big West). The Rebels are one victory away at Cal State Fullerton next week from becoming the first team since pointers. Indiana State and Alcorn State in 1979 to go undefeated during the regular season.

chuckled when asked if there was State 72-49. any way his team could improve, sinfavorites to capture a second straight national title.

another guard," said Tarkanian, who jamin. used the 6-foot-7, 250-pound Johnson to help break the Aggies' press. But Johnson did his most signifi-

lottery pick status took just 20 min- the opening minute, he intimidated But the Rebels quickly built it back the Aggies with an array of slam up to a 13-point advantage (56-43). Anderson Hunt and Stacey Aug-

sively in the second half as the utes Rebels repelled every NMSU attempt to rally. Augmon finished with 24 points and 11 rebounds, while Hunt added 19 points, including four 3-

In other games, No. 17 St. John's beat Georgetown 68-58, No. 19 East Tennessee State defeated VMI 88-76 UNLV coach Jerry Tarkanian, who and No. 25 Virginia downed Towson

New Mexico State (21-4, 13-3) gled out Johnson as a major reason trailed 46-30 with 2:33 left in the the Runnin Rebels are prohibitive first half, but scored the final seven points on a pair of Randy Brown free No. 25 Virginia 72, Towson State throws, a 3-pointer by Reggie Jordan "Larry gives us the essence of and two free throws by William Ben-

> Brown scored 22 points and Jordan 20 for the Aggies.

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — cant damage underneath. After scor- George Ackles on Jordan's layup got Larry Johnson's latest deposit to his ing a layup and turnaround jumper in NMSU within 51-43 with 17:00 left.

> St. John's won despite making only three field goals in the final 14 minutes, including Rob Werdann's 3point heave at the buzzer. Georgetown's Alonzo Mourning was held to six points and four rebounds.

> No. 19 East Tennessee State 88, **VMI 76**

> East Tennessee State won at home.

Kenny Turner had 16 points and 10 rebounds as Virginia's Jeff Jones became the second coach in Atlantic Coast Conference history to win 20 A goaltending call on UNLV's games in his first season.

Indians nip Texas Tech

By CHIP BROWN **Associated Press Writer**

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Arkansas State's Keith Gray made a 3-pointer with 26 seconds left and then hit two free throws with 6 seconds left to secure a 60-59 victory over Texas Tech on Monday night.

Arkansas State, of the American South Conference, improved to 20-7. Texas Tech, a member of the Southwest Conference, fell to 8-21.

Texas Tech attempted to take the final shot trailing 58-56 with 26 seconds left. But Steve Miles could not handle a pass in traffic and the Red State had more turnovers (10) than Raiders lost the ball out of bounds field goals (6). with 8 seconds to play.

time expired to pull Tech within half, connected on only 6 of 16

Philip McKeller led Arkansas and led 22-20 at intermission. State with 15 points. Fred Shepherd

had 12 and Tyrone Hall added 10 points and 10 rebounds for the Indi-

Miles' fumble at the end of the game was the only blemish in an outstanding effort as he scored 26 points and grabbed 13 rebounds. Miles scored five points in a 7-2 run that gave the Raiders a 56-52 lead with 2:36 left.

But Bobby Gross made a 3-pointer with 1:57 left to draw the Indians within 56-55 and the Raiders went cold, setting up Gray's 3-pointer.

Neither team's offense could get going in the first half as Arkansas

The Red Raiders, who turned the Bryant Moore hit a 3-pointer as ball over seven times in the first shots from the field or 37 percent



Lady Harvesters win big in year's first track meet

By L.D. STRATE **Sports Editor**

The Pampa Lady Harvesters track team rolled over the opposition in a big-time way in Saturday's Amarillo Invitational.

The Lady Harvesters took command early in the opening meet of the season, collecting 171 points to easily out-distance the rest of the

16-team field. "It was pretty much determined early in the meet that our girls were going to win. Still, we wanted them to give 110 percent all through the meet," said Pampa girls' coach Mike Lopez.

Tascosa gave Pampa its best competition, but the Rebel girls still finished 59 points behind.

"I felt our girls did an outstanding job considering the windy weather conditions. We had some outstanding times, particulary by some of the freshmen," Lopez said.

Freshman Paige Bass not only won the 3200, but she set a new school record with a 12.29. Elisha Hanks, another freshman, posted a winning time of 16.98 in the 100 low hurdles. Hanks also finished fourth in the 300 intermediate hur-

Freshmen Patrice Jackson and Shelly Young competed on the 400,

800 and 1600-meter relay teams. The 400 and 800-meter relay teams came in first while the 1600-meter relay team placed second.

"For the first time out, the freshmen really did a good job. Our upperclassmen did an outstanding job and with their leadership and experience to guide the freshmen, I feel like we're going to win a lot of track meets," Lopez said.

Other members of the relay teams were Christa West, Shanna Molitor, Christie Jones, Michelle Whitson and Bridgett Mathis.

Molitor also won the 100-meter dash (12.85) and Jennifer Bailey high-jumped 5-0 to win that event.

The Lady Harvesters, who placed in 15 events, could possibly have racked up more points had standout hurdler Kelly Winborne not sustained an injury.

Winborne, who placed second in 100 low hurdles, qualified for the finals of the 300 intermediate hurdles, but had to drop out because of a pulled tendon in her stomach area, Lopez said.

The Lady Harvesters compete in the Perryton Invitational Saturday. "We're going to be working real

hard this week so we can perform at our best Saturday. We still have a lot of conditioning to do in order to reach our goals," Lopez said. Red Raiders' Brad Dale (left) looks to pass around Arkansas State's Dewayne McCray in Monday night's non-conference game.

Meeks hired as Cowboys' assistant coach

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Ron Meeks, 36, who once served as a graduate assistant under Jimmy Johnson at the University of Miami, has been hired as the Dallas Cowboys defensive assistant special teams coach, it was announced on

"Ron will be involved in several areas, assisting with the defense and working with the special teams," Johnson said. "He is an outstanding coach, and this move gives him the opportunity to get into professional football."

Meeks was the secondary coach at Fresno State University the last

Meeks, a native of Jacksonville, Fla., played at Arkansas State and spent one season with the New York Giants. He also has playing experience with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, Ottawa Rough Riders, and Toronto Argonauts of the CFL.

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The burly and brash UNLV senior dunks that gave UNLV a 46-37 half- No. 17 St. John's 68, Georgetown Malik Sealy scored 20 points and mon took over from Johnson offen- St. John's led for the final 30 min-

Keith Jennings scored 19 points as

The Buccaneers led 45-35 at halfime and VMI never got closer than

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Pampa man offers reward for stolen racing pigeons J.E. Cantrell of Pampa is offer-

ing a \$100 reward for information leading to the identity of the individual who stole six breeder pigeons from their loft during the weekend.

Cantrell, a longtime member of the Top O' Texas Racing Pigeon Club, said six baby pigeons also froze to death because their mothers weren't there to take care of them.

"I don't think people should be messing with a man's hobby. I'll give birds to people who want to raise them and join our club, but please don't steal them," Cantrell

Cantrell said a lot of time and money is invested in raising and training the racing pigeons.

"These type of birds are very valuable and they're very intelligent. They were used as carrier pigeons in the communications area during World War II, and they may still be used by the military,

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Cantrell said.

Cantrell can be reached at 665-1207 if you have information about

Football

TORONTO (AP) — The Canada Cup, Hollywood movie projects and rare coins aside, the new owners of the Toronto Argos promise to be heavily involved in promoting their

Wayne Gretzky, the NHL's alltime leading scorer; John Candy, on his way to Europe to film a new movie; and Bruce McNall, millionaire coin dealer and owner of the NHL's Los Angeles Kings, promised a packed news conference Monday they will make each Argo game a family oriented event.

"We have to get involved in the community," Candy said. "We have

to get back to when it was exciting to go to a game."

Gretzky, who will make Toronto his temporary home this summer as he prepares for September's Canada Cup hockey tournament, also told the SkyDome gathering he'd do his part in promoting the CFL club.

"When you get involved as financially as I have in this, I'm not just going to leave it be," said Gretzky, who flew in from Winnipeg, Manitoba, after the Kings swept a pair of weekend games from the Jets. The trio bought the team from

McNall taking a 60 percent share and Gretzky and Candy each owning 20 percent. Ornest purchased the Argos from Carling O'Keefe in 1988, but the brewery retained a 5 percent interest

should the club be sold.

Harry Ornest for \$5 million, with and a 30-day right of first refusal AP Baseball Writer

So far, the doctors are just as busy as the players at spring training.

Frank Viola has developed a sore left elbow Royals by opening day. and an examination has revealed signs of small

Anti-inflammatory medication was prescribed Tuesday at Port St. Lucie, Fla.

"If we felt that a pitcher was seriously hurt,

we wouldn't let him throw," Mets vice president big people is hurt," Cardinals general manager Cincinnati, though, got an encouraging report Al Harazin said.

diction that he'll be set to pitch for Kansas City career, so hopefully this is nothing serious, But der muscle that the Reds could cut his recovery

"I'll be ready, but I don't know what for," said we'll have our fingers crossed." "The only thing that concerned me is that I've surgery last Aug. 2. "If it's going north with the Mike Schooler, their all-time save leader. He The Boston Red Sox got their first look at free never had problems at all, especially this early," club, that's fine. If it's staying down here for missed the final six weeks last season because of agent Danny Darwin, and manager Joe Morgan the New York Mets' 20-game winner said Mon-extended spring training, that's fine. But I know shoulder problems. I'll be ready to pitch at some level."

for Viola, and the Mets said he would work out pitch again. He was back in St. Louis on Monday none of them too hard. "I've been tentative the said. "He must have thrown 40 straight strikes, to have his sore left elbow checked.

"You're always concerned when one of your supposed to. I can let go and really stretch it."

Gubicza, who underwent arthroscopic shoulder The Seattle Mariners are closely watching could take two weeks.

"I just started letting it go, that's the main ERA champion. Joe Magrane isn't sure when he'll be able to thing," Schooler said after throwing 45 pitches, last couple of weeks, but today it feels like it's keeping the ball down both on the inside and

Dal Maxvill said. "We've had some bad luck in about catcher Joe Oliver. He is responding so Mark Gubicza, however, has modified his pre- past springs. Joe has been healthy through his well to physical therapy for an inflammed shouluntil (the doctor) has a chance to look at him, time. Oliver's activity has been limited since the start of camp, when the Reds said his recovery

liked what he saw from the National League

"He was impressive," manager Joe Morgan down and out. That's what pitching is all about."

> Softball meetings slated next month

An organizational meeting for the Pampa spring softball leagues is being planned for the first week in March.

Softball representative Mike Killgo said more teams and sponsors are needed this vear.

Killgo said area teams will be able to participate in the Open League and a Mixed League will be organized for the spring sea-

For more information, contact the Pampa Park and Recreation office.

Umpires Association meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. March 14 in the Gray County Court- WE service all G.E. and Hot Point house courtroom.

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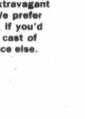
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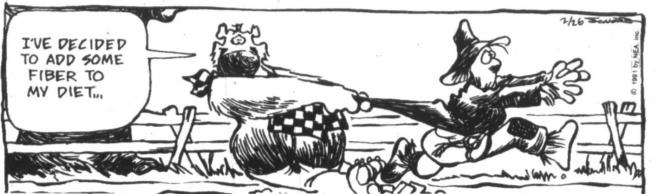
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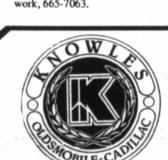
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By DAVID KAPLAN **Houston Post**

call him "Kindergarten Cop."

Todd Parker may not be a dead

principal at a local elementary school led him to a class of 24 pre-kinder-

starter's gun." Parker has been in rough situations both.

before; he has a second job as a bouncer at a nightclub. This time, he'd met his match. As in Kinderpretty much what happened to me. I control of more than two or three of them. They literally tore the room apart. It was bad, real bad."

Since then, things have gotten easier for Parker. He now enjoys substituting and said he plans to stick with it until something permanent comes along.

Because of the slump in the local economy, more and more Houstonians are considering substitute teaching as a way to make ends meet. Bonnie Collins, Houston Independent School District's director of the applicants is still rising.

Many new substitutes are between turns out productive. careers, Ms. Collins says: "One has a master's degree from Dartmouth, and times become impatient when she another has a master's from Har-

you want, getting off at 3 p.m., and stitute is at disadvantage by being in not bringing work home like a regular teacher. Drawbacks: low pay, no says: "It's easier to correct a child ships with students.

Parker, 26, has a banking and blue shirt." finance degree and worked briefly as a stockbroker, but because of bad making connections is sometimes market conditions, he couldn't find difficult. Parker sometimes wakes up enough clients. Substitute teaching at 5:45 a.m., and by 6 a.m. he's makcomes in handy while he's looking ing calls to the HISD office in search for a job in the oil business.

"Fifty dollars a day is not a whole lot of money," he says. "I'm giving up some earning potential but gain- to get through." ing flexibility which will pay off for

me in the long run." tute ends in midafternoon, Parker has had a positive experience with a suba few hours in the day for interviews, stitute, it remains in direct contact. or he can take off an entire day and The principal calls the substitute in interview at any time.

four, also enjoys the flexibility. She Parker is now on the lists of three works three to five days a week, but HISD elementary schools. Many can make adjustments as needed. substitutes avoid the HISD office and I have a sick child."

Ms. Hardy says substitute teaching seems easy when she looks at the ized method of finding substitutes, workload of regular, full-time teach- which is more efficient than the early ers: "I don't have the planning and morning technique. A teacher who is the papers to grade. Instead I come going to be absent calls the HISD home and do homework with my chil- computer. The computer then calls dren, instead of classroom home- up someone from the substitute pool.

leaves when school lets out, Ms. the computerized system was

day; HISD has about 3,000 substi- will get the computer.

tutes in its pool, which is usually enough for its 11,000 full-time teachers. But, Ms. Collins says, "if we get HOUSTON (AP) - His colleagues over 700 absences we start running into problems."

HISD hires about 200 new substiringer for Arnold Schwarzenegger, tutes a month; most substitutes have but he is 6-foot-6, athletic, and, like college degrees, but are not certified Schwarzenegger's character in the hit to teach. HISD looks for applicants movie, he has begun substituting for with better than average college grades: some experience with chil-Parker remembers his first day on dren is preferred, but not required. the job, about three months ago. The Most substitutes first attend a 21/2hour orientation program.

The pay scale for substitutes garten students. Parker recalls: varies: \$60 for retired teachers. "They were all sitting on the carpet. \$55 for degreed and certified They looked quiet. Sweet." As soon teachers, \$50 for degreed, but not as the principal left, however, "It certified teachers. In most cases, was like somebody fired off a substitutes either teach on the elementary or secondary level, but not

Substitute Lynn Law is among the exceptions; he's substituted in elementary, middle and high school, 58 garten Cop, things got hairy. "What schools in all. Law believes high happened to him (Schwarzenegger) is school substituting is the easiest because students have matured and tried everything, but I could never get classes are relatively smaller. Middle school is the hardest, he says.

"It's the most explosive because some students are a bundle of hormones, and the classes are often big-

Anyone who's ever had a substitute teacher knows what a student's first response to the news of a substitute might be: Party!

"I grew up believing that myself," Parker says. "I was absolute hell when we had a substitute, if I both-

ered to show up." Parker says he's learned how to let substitute teaching office, notes a the children "know real fast that I significant increase in the number of don't tolerate a lot of playing around," and he says the day usually

Ms. Hardy says students somedoesn't instantly master their routines: "The pledge to the flag comes Benefits include working when first, then you call the roll." A subunfamiliar surroundings, Ms. Hardy benefits and no long-term relation- when you know their name -'Tommy' as opposed to 'you in the

> For both schools and substitutes, of work.

"It's like calling a radio station," Parker says. "It's taken me 40 calls

To avoid such hassle, many substitutes try to get on the preferred lists Since his working day as a substi- of a specific school. If a school has the evening, and asks if he or she Sally Hardy, a Houston mother of would like to work the following day. "Today I'm painting the bedroom, entirely and only work directly with

schools close to their homes. HISD is developing a computer-If the substitute wants the job, he or A regular teacher leaves school at she presses a button to signify "yes," about 4 p.m., whereas a substitute and reports to the school. Last spring unveiled for high schools: this fall it HISD's Ms. Collins says she usu- was extended to middle schools. ally has about 600 teacher absences a Eventually, elementary schools also

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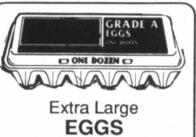
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