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TUESDAY

Baker meets with Palestinians in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM (AP) — Secretary of State James A. Baker III told new Israeli immigrants today the nations of the Middle East "are very anxious to close the book of war."

And yet, even as Baker toured the town of Carmiel in northern Israel, reporters were told North Korea had delivered about two dozen Scud-C missiles to Syria along with about 20 missile launchers.

The surface-to-air weapons, said to be more powerful than the Scud-Bs that Iraq fired on Israel and Saudi Arabia, were delivered by ship in the last day or two, according to sources who spoke on condition they not be identified.

Baker, who is trying to nudge Israel into negotiations with Arab nations and with Palestinians, toured the West Bank by helicopter. The trip was an apparent effort by Israeli officials to show Baker, who has never been here before, how small

distances are in the Middle East.

If Israel gave up the West Bank, for instance, it would be only eight miles wide at one point.

Baker, speaking in the courtyard of a language school where thousands of Ethiopian and Russian immigrants are taught Hebrew, declared:

"Let Desert Storm be the last great battle in the Middle East. ... The nations of the Middle East are very anxious to close the book of war and open the book of peace. We must continue to seek a lasting peace between Israel, its Arab neighbors and the Palestinians."

Baker then returned to Jerusalem and met with 11 Palestinians at the home of Philip Wilcox, the U.S. consul general.

"I think this is a new day in this anxious situation," Baker said as he posed for photographs with the Palestinians.

He said the meeting represents a

U.S. effort "to show that we intend to do what we can ... to use whatever enhanced credibility we might have coming out of this crisis to work diligently for peace."

Earlier, Baker met with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir for 75 minutes, discussing what Baker calls new signs of Arab willingness to accept Israel.

The Scud-C missiles and launchers supplement an already powerful Syrian arsenal said to be capable of firing chemical warheads on Israel. The sources said Syria already had about 20 missile launchers, equal to the number deployed in western Iraq before the Persian Gulf War.

Baker met with Shamir in an effort to push the nascent peace process forward with a positive Israeli response.

They met for 75 minutes in "a very friendly, warm and cooperative atmosphere," Shamir's media adviser, Avi Pazner, reported.

He said Shamir agreed with Baker on a two-track approach to a Middle East settlement. "We have the feeling we can start to try to make the process of peace go," Pazner said.

The parallel tracks are aimed at opening Israeli talks with Arab nations on the one hand and with Palestinians on the other.

Pazner maintained the Israeli government actually had originated the strategy. He provided no details of Baker's session with Shamir and said they would meet again this evening at dinner.

Baker, setting the stage for his talks with Shamir, said on Monday night of the Arabs: "I have seen what I consider to be, at least, signs of new thinking. I have seen what I consider to be a willingness to consider new approaches."

But, Baker said, apparently directing his remarks to Shamir, "whether

that ripens and materializes into specific, concrete commitments will depend on large part on whether or not there is a similar attitude coming from the other side of the equation."

For the time being, though, Baker and Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy said at a joint news conference, Arab attitudes toward the Jewish state were changing.

Baker reported to Levy in advance of his meeting with Shamir on the talks he held in Saudi Arabia and Egypt with leaders of eight Arab countries.

"I am pleased they are beginning to show signs of change," Levy said.

Levy subsequently told army radio this morning that Baker agreed to take into account Israel's desire to be part of an emerging Middle East defense alliance with the eight Arab states. Levy said Baker "accepted this."

In other regional developments:

• Current and former military officials say the U.S. Army may keep a command center in the Saudi Arabian capital of Riyadh, and American troops may train on the Arabian peninsula as the U.S. military abandons its traditionally low-key presence in the Persian Gulf.

• Iraqi opposition leaders said Saddam Hussein's troops have regained control of the Shiite Muslim holy cities of Karbala and Najaf in southern Iraq. But in northern Iraq, Kurdish opposition leaders claimed their guerrillas continued to advance on the oil center of Kirkuk and captured Khanaqin.

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Lefors Council considers closing landfill at meeting

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

LEFORS — A Texas Department of Health representative from Lubbock recommended Monday to the Lefors City Council that the city close its landfill as soon as possible and find another means of disposing of solid waste.

Linda White of the TDH said that when federal regulations are implemented on landfills, it will be quite expensive for a city the size of Lefors to stay in business.

"You probably have three or four months, maybe more," she said. "I

suggest you at least get the paperwork ready to close down."

She said a "fairly decent" alternative would be to try to work out an agreement with Pampa to use its landfill.

"It's not an easy thing for a town to give up some of its utilities," White said. "But given the choice, it's the best thing I can recommend."

White said the requirements of Subtitle D are restrictive and it is estimated that once the federal regulations are in place "from day one" it will cost \$50,000 to cap a 50-by-100-foot trench, plus the landfill

would have to be monitored for 30 years.

To keep a landfill open after the regulations are implemented, she said an attendant would have to be on duty all of the time, and the landfill would have to be fenced with a "manproof fence" consisting of a six-foot chain-link fence with three strands of barbed wire. She also said no liquids would be allowed in the landfill and the wastes would have to be covered with six inches of clean fill material on a daily basis.

As well, ground water would require testing, a methane gas monitor would have to be installed and other restrictions and testing procedures would be placed on the landfill.

"Most small cities have decided they don't want to be in the landfill business," she said.

White also said that most Panhandle cities are going or attempting to go with some type of recycling program. Plastics, glass and aluminum are all recyclable products, although there is not currently a market for newspapers.

She said that by reducing the waste, such as recycling, a city can minimize its costs of transporting waste to a landfill.

If the city of Lefors decided to close its landfill prior to the federal regulations being implemented, it would still have to abide by state regulations, which are less stringent, White said. The site would have to be monitored for five years after the closure and regulations would dictate the type of cover to be used.

"If at the end of five years there are no problems, the site will be considered completely closed," White said.

The Council took no action Monday on deciding what to do about the landfill.

In other business, the Council heard from Mike Hull with the Texas Water Commission in Amarillo about regulations and costs associated with the removal of underground storage tanks.

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(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Linda White, Texas Department of Health, speaks to Lefors Council members at the meeting Monday.

Capitol view



(AP Laserphoto)

A window washer helps improve the view of the State Capitol at an Austin hotel Monday.

It's tornado time in the Panhandle

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Wind gusts over 60 mph this morning are reminding Pampans that tornado season is less than a month away.

Deputy Chief of Police Ken Hall said the city of Pampa is beginning to test its emergency alert system that will inform residents in the event a twister heads for the city.

Hall said the city will soon begin testing outdoor sirens and reminding citizens what to do in the event of a weather-spawned disaster.

"Tornadoes are a frightening reality," Hall said. "We can't prevent or predict when or where they may strike. So it is important that we know the difference between a watch and a warning."

He said a watch means that conditions are favorable for a tornado to develop, however, no funnel cloud has been sighted.

In such a case, Hall said, "You should take precautions to protect yourself, family and property. Stay tuned to your local radio or cable television to keep informed."

A warning indicates that a tornado has been sighted, Hall stated.

"If a warning is issued, you should seek shelter immediately," he said. "The city of Pampa has no public shelters. However, there are some ways to protect yourself during a tornado warning situation."

Hall outlined the following guidelines:

• If you are at home, go to a storm cellar or basement. If you don't have one, take cover in the center of the house on the lowest floor in the smallest room that has no windows or doors.

Seek shelter under sturdy furniture and protect your head. Take down or stay away from any objects that could fall on you in a tornado.

• If you live in a mobile home or are in your vehicle, seek other shelter immediately. If there is no other secure structure available, lie flat on your stomach and cover your head in the nearest ditch, ravine or culvert.

• In schools, nursing homes, hospitals, the work place, shopping centers or other public places, go to the nearest designated shelter. If none is allocated, take the same precautions you would in your home.

"When sirens are activated, you will hear a three to five minute blast," Hall said. "We will sound four blasts to alert you of a warning. When the sirens stop blasting, that does not mean that there is an all clear."

Hall said the all-clear will be given on local radio stations and cable TV.

He suggested that during violent weather conditions radios be tuned to 1230 AM or 100.3 FM for coverage by KGRO/KOMX, which works in concert with the city during such times to keep the public informed.

"We will begin testing our outdoor warning and cable interrupt systems every Saturday at noon," Hall stated. "This testing will help with serviceability to warn the public in the event of an emergency."

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Jury to hear closing arguments in wrongful death lawsuit today

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

Closing arguments and the court's charge were scheduled to be given this morning to a seven-woman, five-man Gray County jury who has been hearing the case for the past three weeks of a former Pampa woman and her claims against a moving company in a wrongful death lawsuit.

Margaret Vernon filed a lawsuit against Allied Van Lines Inc., and its agent M&L Moving and Storage Co. of Amarillo in February 1990. Vernon, who was the lone survivor of an April 12, 1989, fire at 1200 Charles St. filed the lawsuit individually and on behalf of the estates of her husband, John Bryan Vernon III, 41, and her son, Stuart Jacob "Jake" Long, 16. Both died of carbon monoxide poisoning during the blaze.

Vernon and fire experts on her behalf allege the fire began when packers with M&L left a box and/or packing paper on or too near a floor

furnace on the first floor of the two-story residence. The Vernons were preparing to move to Houston on the day of the fire and packers had been at the residence on April 10 and April 11.

But M&L packers and the owner of the company, Don Storseth, testified during the trial that they left no boxes on or too near the heat source. A fire expert and two Pampa firefighters, who testified on behalf of the defense, said the fire, called in at 4:18 a.m., was an "intentionally set" fire.

The defense and plaintiff showed numerous exhibits of pictures depicting various parts of the residence and pointing out areas where they believed their case centered.

The plaintiff contends the fire started at the floor furnace while the defense witnesses contend the area of most burning and damage was in the dining room and that the first floor had "multiple points of origin," which they said meant the fire was set.

The defense rested its case at 9:15 a.m. Monday. The plaintiff then called three rebuttal witnesses — Dr. Robert J. Philips, Twyla Long and Pampa Fire Marshal Tom Adams. The plaintiff rested about 2:30 p.m. Monday.

Philips, who made his first appearance in the trial, testified that although he had never met Margaret Vernon he had reviewed her medical records relating to the fire. He said Vernon suffered from first- and second-degree burns and from smoke inhalation. He said, in his opinion, that she also had suffered from carbon monoxide poisoning.

"There could be bona fide medical inference from a review of the records that at some time this lady did suffer from a significant amount of carbon monoxide in her system," Philips said.

Long and Adams, who had both testified earlier in the trial, reiterated parts of their testimony and rebutted several claims made by defense witnesses.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

GIPSON, Lorena Mae — 2 p.m., Lemons Memorial Chapel, Plainview.

Obituaries

LORENA MAE GIPSON

PLAINVIEW — Lorena Mae Gipson, 85, mother of a McLean man, died Sunday, March 10, 1991. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Lemons Memorial Chapel with the Rev. A.C. Hamilton, former pastor of Finney Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Plainview Cemetery.

Mrs. Gipson, formerly Lorena Mae Parks, was born in Amarillo. She was raised in Finney, where she attended Liberty School. She also attended Watson Business College and worked at central service at Plainview Hospital for several years. She worked for the Seth Ward School lunch room for 20 years, retiring in 1965. She married David S. Gipson in 1922; he preceded her in death in 1937. She was a member of the Finney Baptist Church and Baptist Women's Missionary Union.

Survivors include two daughters, Evodia Collis and Nelda Gorman, both of Plainview; two sons, Glenn Gipson of Olton and Howard Gipson of McLean; a brother, Charlie Parks of Plainview; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

The family will be at 1407 Holiday.

Minor accidents

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

MONDAY, March 11

4:10 p.m. — A 1985 Cadillac driven by Merlie Courson, 1608 Grape, collided with a 1987 Ford driven by Jodi Milligan, 2229 N. Sumner, in the 1800 block of North Hobart. Courson was cited for failure to yield right of way.

DPS-Accident

MONDAY, March 11

10:30 a.m. — A 1984 Ford, driven by Andrea Lopez Pompa, 33, Perryton, rolled one time after the driver lost control of the vehicle. Citations were issued. No injuries were reported in the accident 27.2 miles north of Pampa on Texas 70.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa		
Wheat	2.44	
Milo	3.95	
Com.	4.33	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation		
Ky. Cent. Life	8 1/4	NC
Serico	5 1/4	NC
Occidental	19 5/8	up 1/4
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation		
Magellan	64.22	
Fairfax	13.26	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa		
Amoco	54 1/8	up 5/8
Arco	129 3/8	up 1/8
Cabot	33 3/4	dn 1/4
Cabot O&G	15 3/4	NC
Chevron	75 1/4	up 1
Coca-Cola	51 7/8	dn 1/8
Enron	55 1/2	up 3/8
Halliburton	50 7/8	dn 3/8
Ingersoll Rand	50 5/8	dn 5/8
KNE	23 1/2	NC
Kerr-McGee	45 1/2	up 1/8
Laminor	24 3/4	NC
Mapco	48 1/8	up 1/8
Marx	9 3/8	dn 1/8
McDonald's	33 1/8	up 1/4
Mesa Ltd.	3 1/8	NC
Mobil	63 7/8	up 1/4
New Atom	16 7/8	up 1/4
Pennyc's	54 3/8	NC
Phillips	27 3/8	NC
SLB	61 1/8	dn 7/8
SPS	27 1/2	NC
Tenneco	48 3/4	dn 3/8
Texas	65 5/8	NC
Wal-Mart	36 3/4	up 1/4
New York Gold	363.50	
Silver	4.02	
West Texas Crude	19.25	

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire (emergency)	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	665-8481
SPS	669-7432
Water	665-3881

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions		Dismissals	
Deborah Elliott, Pampa	Catherine Brown, Pampa	Ollie Dehls, Pampa	Laura Eubanks, Wheeler
Patsey Francis, Canadian	Ollie Goodman, Panhandle	James Garrett, Pampa	James Garrett, Pampa
Ethel Lockhart, Pampa	Willmut Guffey, Canadian	Tammie Knight, Pampa	Oral Pasley, White Deer
Angela Dee Noel, Pampa	Shelbie Patterson, Pampa	SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions	
La Jona Reeves, Pampa	Dismissals		None
Juanita Vasquez, Canadian	None		None
Laura Eubanks (extended care), Wheeler	None		None
Shelbie Patterson (extended care), Pampa	None		None
Births		None	
To Mr. and Mrs. Brian Noel of Pampa, a boy.		None	
To Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Reeves of Pampa, a girl.		None	
To Mr. and Mrs. Ray-		None	

Police report

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

MONDAY, March 11

A juvenile reported an overdose in the 100 block of West Albert.

Ray Thornton, Pampa Independent School District, reported criminal mischief at Clarendon College - Pampa Center.

Melvin Harris, 731 N. Faulkner, reported criminal mischief at Pampa High School.

Michael Day, 2525 Christine, reported a theft at 2225 N. Hobart.

A juvenile reported criminal mischief at Pampa High School.

Daniva Dally, 224 Thut, reported criminal mischief at the residence.

Gray County Ford, 701 W. Brown, reported the theft of a 1990 Ford Ranger at the business.

TUESDAY, March 12

Police reported domestic violence in the 1100 block of Huff.

Arrests

TUESDAY, March 11

Valisa Fellers Oneal, 28, 2420 Fir, was arrested in the 500 block of North Hobart on a traffic warrant. She was released on payment of fines.

Jody Edward Brunson, 19, 2411 Fir, was arrested in the 1800 block of Evergreen on two warrants. He was released on payment of fines.

Glen Anderson, 18, 721 E. Browning, was arrested at the residence on three warrants. He was released on payment of fines.

DPS

SUNDAY, March 10

Donna Lynn Minaryard, 39, 1216 Darby, was arrested on Texas Hwy. 152 west of Pampa on a charge of driving while intoxicated (first offense).

John R. Bills, 32, Amarillo, was arrested on U.S. Hwy. 60 two miles west of city on a charge of driving while intoxicated (second offense).

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, March 11

1:18 P.M. — False alarm at 1333 Price Rd. Two units and six firefighters responded.

Carson County commissioners discuss naming county roads for 9-1-1 service

By BEAR MILLS Staff Writer

PANHANDLE — Carson County commissioners used their regular meeting Monday to discuss a plan that would allow for the marking of all county roads, designed to correspond with the arrival of 9-1-1 service in the county.

County Judge Jay Roselius' and commissioners gave tentative approval to a plan that would mark all undesignated county roads with either an alphabetical or numerical system.

"Our plan right now is to use the number and letter system, with Highways 60 and 207 as base roads," Roselius said.

All currently unmarked roads will be labeled with an A-B-C system moving west to east from Potter to Gray county lines. Roads from the Armstrong line to the Hutchinson line will be labeled 1-2-3.

Roselius said the system will begin to be put in place within the next 10 to 12 months.

That is the same time frame commissioners are expecting for a Panhandle-wide 911 system to be connected in White Deer, Groom, Skellytown, Panhandle and the other areas constituting Carson County.

Commissioners also approved the promotion of Ray Davis from jailer/dispatcher to deputy, with his primary assignment being the Groom area.

That promotion was due to the resignation of Deputy Tim Taylor, Roselius said. Hired as dispatcher/jailer was Cathy Stephens.

Also approved was the purchase of \$13,000 in computer software for the county tax office for the collection of taxes, maintenance of those records and voter registration files.

Tax Collector Roselyn Watson pointed out that Carson County is

among the last counties in the state to not conduct their business on computer.

She said it had become impossible to maintain and transfer records because companies no longer assist governmental bodies with doing that by hand.

"We were really in the dark ages and just had to have this," Watson noted.

Within the \$13,000 price is software, phone modems and controllers to connect with Pritchard and Abbott of Fort Worth, who creates the software.

Commissioners also used the meeting to commend county employee Wanda Hood, Roselius' secretary, for receiving continuing education credit in the area of emergency management.

Roselius has the responsibility in Carson County to coordinate all emergency management. He explained that Hood assists him in that capacity.

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Lefors

The Ben Diehl Estate has wanted to donate a piece of property a block from City Hall to the city, but the property has two underground tanks on it.

Hull explained the procedure for the removal of the tanks, saying that a registered or licensed contractor would have to remove the tanks and that numerous tests would have to be conducted on the soil and/or water table, which could run in to a large amount of money, an estimated \$3,000 for the removal and a minimum of \$500 for the testing. If contamination is found the price would escalate, he said.

The tanks could be abandoned in place, but that option is normally even more expensive, he said.

"If people donate the property and you remove the tanks, you will be responsible," Hull told the City Council.

Mayor Gene Gee, who has had

the item to accept the donation on the agenda for several meetings said, "I, out of ignorance, was pushing this. Now I think I'll back down," he said after hearing the presentation.

Gee said the item would be on the agenda at next month's meeting for a vote by the City Council on accepting or rejecting the donation.

In other business, the City Council:

- Unanimously accepted the auditor's report by Brown & Grantham CPAs.

- Unanimously approved minutes from three prior meetings and the paying of current bills.

- Tabled approving of an engineering contract for the drilling of a new water well until further clarification of the contract.

- Unanimously appointed Walter Elliott as election judge for the May 4 city election and agreed to allow Elliott to choose his crew.

- Voted 4-1 to hire a company for \$200 to fix the doors to the Civic Center where the south door would

be permanently shut, but could be opened to move large items into the facility. Councilman Larry Fulton voted against the measure.

- Voted 4-1 to adopt a resolution saying there will be no burning of trash in private barrels by customers on city of Lefors utilities until further notice, due to the fire hazard caused by the dry conditions. Councilman Derl Boyd voted against the resolution.

- Went into a 45-minute executive session to consult with City Attorney Rick Harris. Following the closed meeting, Gee said the Council unanimously voted, on the advice of Harris, to write a letter to Citizens Bank in Pampa notifying the bank that only the mayor is authorized to enter into a loan agreement with the bank where the city will be held liable.

Gee said he could not comment further on the action following the closed meeting.

All members of the City Council were present for the meeting.

Woman with split personalities convicted on drug charges

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — From the start of her trial, a woman who was diagnosed with several personalities wanted a jury to believe she wasn't responsible for the actions of her drug-dealing identity.

In the end, jurors sided with a prosecutor who said Norma Roman, 39, knew what she was doing and should be held accountable. After deliberating about four hours Monday, they found her guilty of heroin charges.

Police found 67 bags of heroin and about \$13,000 in cash when they arrested Roman Jan. 10, 1990, at her apartment in the northern Massachusetts city of Lowell. She was arrested again Aug. 17 in possession of heroin.

Roman also had been convicted on heroin charges in 1987.

Defense attorney Steven Rappaport said the "core personality" of Norma could not control the drug dealing activities of another dominant personality, the street-wise, defiant Vicky.

In testimony last week, Roman switched personalities on the stand. As Vicky, she recounted precise details of her drug habit and described how she would hide the drugs for fear they would be thrown out by Norma or another personality named Alice.

When she testified as Norma, the defendant said she could not remember anything about using drugs.

The other personalities identified in the trial were Virginia, who has sexual relations with men; Mary Lou, who is childlike, Ayeesa, who behaves like a psychic, and Me,

who is a tomboy.

Roman suffered repeated abuse as a youth and began undergoing therapy for multiple personalities in the late 1970s, according to testimony.

But Middlesex County Assistant District Attorney Shelah Feiss told the jurors, "There is no mystery to this case. This woman knew exactly what she was doing. ... She knows exactly what she's doing today."

He called Roman's testimony a "performance" and a "magic show."

Feiss said even if jurors believed Roman suffered from a personality disorder, she was still criminally responsible.

The defense lawyer indicated he would appeal. The case was continued to April 10 to determine whether the conviction will stand as a second offense.

Last efforts under way to save newspaper

By PETER ALAN HARPER Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — British press lord Robert Maxwell said today he expected to wrap up deals with the Daily News' striking unions by the end of the day, opening the way for him to add the struggling tabloid to his media empire.

Maxwell arrived at the negotiations site this morning and found a bouquet of pink roses waiting for him, with a poem and a card identifying the sender as an anonymous striking News editor.

"I'm greatly touched," Maxwell said. "I'm going to make her the poetry editor."

As for the talks, in their sixth day, Maxwell said: "We hope to make real rapid progress this morning. It should get wrapped up today."

Agreements with four unions already had been announced when Maxwell left the talks seven hours earlier. He had quipped encouragingly: "New Yorkers are in danger of seeing the News on the street."

He had continued talks past his own deadline of midnight Monday.

But the leader of one of the striking unions that had not come to terms said early today that many issues remained to be settled before his union could reach agreement with Maxwell.

"We have a multitude of significant problems insofar as what they are asking for out of the contract and the method in which they are offering a buyout," said Barry Lip-ton, president of the Newspaper Guild, which represents the newspaper's journalists.

Maxwell last week agreed to buy the tabloid, once the country's largest newspaper, provided he could reach cost-cutting settlements

with the unions. The paper's current owner, the Tribune Co. of Chicago, has said the News will fold on Friday if it isn't sold by then.

A violent, 4-month-old strike by all but one of the News' 10 unions has bled the paper financially and led the Tribune Co. to put the 71-year-old tabloid up for sale.

Settlements with the News' paperhandlers, machinists, electricians and mailers were announced by early today. Maxwell and union officials said they reached agreement with some of the other unions but declined to say which ones.

The other striking unions are the drivers, pressmen, photoengravers, stereotypers and The Newspaper Guild, which represents journalists.

All the agreements are subject to ratification by the unions' members. The unions' chief representative, George McDonald, said late Monday he was optimistic: "Whatever it takes, we're going to reach it."

Maxwell initially set a 10 a.m. Monday deadline for reaching accord with the unions. With progress being made, he extended the deadline to midnight-Monday. After that, negotiators stopped the clock.

Maxwell, publisher of London's Daily Mirror and owner of Macmillan publishing house, is asking the unions to give up 800 jobs out of about 2,300. He is seeking to cut costs by \$72.8 million.

Before he stepped in, the Tribune Co. had asked for \$50 million to \$70 million in cuts, control over staff size and other work-rule changes. The unions, which went on strike Oct. 25, said those concessions would break them.

Maxwell said the Tribune Co. will give him \$60 million for taking over the newspaper. In return, he

must assume what could amount to more than \$100 million in liabilities such as severance costs.

Management has said the newspaper lost \$115 million in the 1980s and more than \$130 million so far in the 1990s.

The paper has been an integral part of the city since its 1919 birth as a tabloid aimed at blue-collar workers.

One of its most famous early coups was a picture of a killer taken as she died in Sing Sing's electric chair. A photographer had strapped a camera to his ankle to get it by the prison guards.

Long famous for its provocative headlines, the newspaper trumpeted, "Ford to City: Drop Dead" when President Ford came out against loan guarantees during the fiscal crisis of the mid-1970s.

The News' circulation peaked in 1947 at 4.7 million on Sunday and 2.4 million daily, the largest ever of any U.S. newspaper.

When the strike began, its circulation was 1.09 million daily. It was the third-largest metropolitan daily in the country, behind the Los Angeles Times and The New York Times.

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Tornado

Kathy Beck, emergency management coordinator, said any false alarms over the siren system would be recognizable by the fact that they would not be two- to five-minute blasts, but instead would be a constant tone.

"We will also put in our standard operating procedure to interrupt the cable TV to let people know even if it is only a false alarm," Beck stated.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

RAY'S BODY Shop moved to 413 W. Foster. 669-9481. Adv.

2 BEDROOM house for quick sale \$7500. 665-3027. Adv.

BARBARA'S CREATIONS, Sewing, wedding, prom. 665-2024. Adv.

CLARENDON COLLEGE Pampa Center will offer a Defensive Driving course this Saturday morning, March 16th, 8 a.m. Adv.

THE CITY of Pampa is currently accepting letters of interest from citizens wishing to serve on the following boards: Board of Adjustments, M.K. Brown Auditorium Board and Parks and Recreation Board. Letters must be received by March 20, 1991 in the office of the City Manager, P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Tx. 79065. Adv.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING, Bowman Driving School, 669-3871. Adv.

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, mostly clear and cooler with a low in the upper 20s and northerly winds 5-15 mph. Wednesday, sunny with a high around 60 degrees and northerly winds 5-15 mph becoming southeasterly during the afternoon.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Fair conditions through Wednesday. Lows tonight upper 20s Panhandle to lower 40s Big Bend lowlands. Highs Wednesday near 60 Panhandle to upper 70s Big Bend lowlands.

North Texas — Decreasing cloudiness east this evening, otherwise fair and cooler areawide tonight. Mostly fair and cooler Wednesday. Lows tonight 40 northwest to 48 southeast. Highs Wednesday 65 north to 71 south.

South Texas — Partly cloudy and turning cooler north tonight. Partly cloudy and cooler over all sections Wednesday. Lows tonight from the 50s north to 60s south with 40s across the Hill Country. Highs Wednesday near 70 north to near 80 south.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Thursday through Saturday West Texas — Texas Panhandle, partly cloudy. Lows mid 20s to lower 30s. Highs in the 50s. South Plains, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Highs mid 50s to lower 60s. Permian Basin, Far West Texas, partly cloudy. Lows mid 30s to around 40. Highs in the 60s. Concho Valley, Pecos Valley, partly cloudy. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Highs mid 60s to near 70. Big Bend region, partly cloudy. Mountains, lows 35 to 45 with highs from 65 to 75. Lowlands, lows 45 to 55 with highs from 75 to 85.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central Texas, partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers Friday. Lows in the 40s Hill Country, and near 50 to low 50s South Central. Highs in the 70s. Texas Coastal Bend, partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers Friday. Lows in the 50s inland to near 60 coast. Highs in the 70s to near 80. Lower Texas Rio Grande Valley and plains, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s to low 60s. Highs in the 70s coast to 80s inland. Southeast Texas and the Upper Coast, partly cloudy Thursday. Mostly cloudy

with a chance of showers Friday. Partly cloudy Saturday. Lows from upper 40s to near 50 inland and 50s coast. Highs in the upper 60s to low 70s.

Morales to unveil plan aimed at curbing 900 fraud

By JENNIFER DIXON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Calling all con artists — Texas Attorney General Dan Morales has a line on 900 telephone number fraud.

Morales and attorneys general from as many as eight other states plan to release a package of proposed laws and regulations this week to address what may be substantial consumer fraud in the 900 industry, known also as audiotext or voice information.

Joselle Albracht, a Texas assistant attorney general, said the 900-industry is one of the fastest growing mediums for consumer fraud.

"It's not an exaggeration ... and

the objective is to stop that so that consumers can be protected and the industry can grow in a healthy manner, other than as a vehicle for fraud," Ms. Albracht said Monday.

The industry's trade association acknowledges that con artists have tapped into the new communications medium, but says a large and growing segment of the \$1 billion business is legitimate.

"We're very concerned about the fraudulent and shady practices that a few participants are involved in because we think it tarnishes the image of the whole industry," said Steve Metalitz, vice president and counsel of the Information Industry Association.

Morales, in Washington over the weekend for a meeting of the National Association of Attorneys General, said the problem with some 900 numbers is that consumers may not be aware of the charges, which show up on their phone bills.

"It's a straight consumer protection issue," Morales said in an interview. "We (attorneys general) feel a responsibility and a duty to ensure that consumers know full well what costs are involved."

He said 900 abuse in Texas "may well be substantial" and could involve "land, scams, condo scams, and real estate shenanigans."

Ms. Albracht said there have also been complaints about 900 numbers that misrepresent or mislead consumers into believing they will get a

credit card by calling. There have been reports of callers who inquire about a credit card who receive something in the mail with a Visa logo, but it's actually a charge card for a catalog.

There have also been problems with 900 numbers that bait consumers with deceptive prize representations, and job lines that may be nothing more than a list of jobs out of the newspaper, and not necessarily the caller's local newspaper, she said.

Ms. Albracht said there is also the problem of chain referrals, in which a consumer calls one 900 number, and then is referred to a second toll-number. Consumers might be advised that the call costs \$1.95 a

minute, but might not be told that it will last 20 minutes.

The attorney general's office has also logged numerous complaints from parents whose children have racked up huge phone bills by calling 900 numbers.

Metalitz said the industry is being used legitimately by newspapers and other communications outlets for stock prices, news updates or weather forecasts. The 900-numbers are also used by legitimate fund-raisers and consumer groups.

"More and more companies and groups are finding it to be an effective way to get their message out," he said. "I hope the cases of fraud don't distract attention from the fact that this is a growing medium for

transmitting information to people. You don't need a computer to get it, just a telephone."

Cleo Manuel, spokeswoman for the National Consumers League, a non-profit consumer advocacy group, said the 900-number industry is "perhaps one of the least understood of the telecommunications technologies."

"Consumers still don't know exactly what a 900-number is, how it's billed, and what services are provided. And why they have a complaint, they don't know if they should complain to the phone company, the long distance carrier, the service bureau, or to the 900 number they called," she said. "Right now, the industry is very unregulated."

Thatcher credits Reagan for Gulf victory

By MIKE DRAGO
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher says much of the credit for the decisive allied victory in the Persian Gulf War goes to former President Ronald Reagan.

The quick victory proved Reagan was justified in pursuing a massive military buildup during the 1980s, she said in a speech Monday.

"At the time, they came under great criticism, possibly for spending too much on defense," Mrs. Thatcher told an audience of 2,000 at the North Dallas Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting.

"How ill-judged that criticism now seems," she added. "They were right and if they hadn't kept up their defenses and the SDI (Strategic Defense Initiative) research, we should not have been able to bring the Gulf to such a swift and satisfactory conclusion."

One of the United States' staunchest allies, Mrs. Thatcher resigned Nov. 28 after a rift in the Conservative Party threatened her authority.

Her Dallas visit combined business and pleasure. Her son, Mark, lives here. She said she plans a private trip to Orange County, Calif., next week before a visit to Canada.

The address was one of Mrs. Thatcher's first major speeches since resigning office. She arrived in Texas from Washington, where she was presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom at the White House last Thursday.

She said Monday that now is the time for peace talks in the Middle East.

"I believe since the most decisive effort of President Bush and the coalition forces, there is now a better chance to get negotiations going than ever before," she said.

"What the world has learned is that missiles are no respecter of national borders and the only way to



(AP Laserphoto)

Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher makes a point while speaking at the North Dallas Chamber of Commerce annual meeting Monday in Dallas. The Dallas visit combined business with pleasure. Mrs. Thatcher's son, Mark, lives there.

dwell in peace and safety is to come to a reasonable agreement with your neighbor."

Secretary of State James A. Baker III is in Jerusalem to push a peace plan, and has said his goal is to try

to engage the Arab nations and Israel in negotiations based on the Israelis relinquishing territory in return for peace.

Mrs. Thatcher stressed that a settlement can't be imposed on the

region. "They themselves have to do the negotiations — Israel and the Palestinians — possibly against the background of an international conference where the world says to them, 'We believe it is time. You resolve these problems,'" she said.

She also said she agreed with the allied position to keep forces in the region until "the position in Iraq is much clearer."

She said that the United Nations should continue to impose sanctions against Iraq to prevent a re-supply of chemicals and military equipment from reaching the war-torn nation.

"Iraq cannot be allowed freely to rebuild her armed forces," she said. "Our own people have suffered too much to have that happen to them, and so have the people of Kuwait."

Mrs. Thatcher praised the efforts of allied forces in the war, saying "it was strong, decisive and brilliantly successful."

"Both of us have such wonderful generals," she said referring to U.S. Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf and British Gen. Peter de la Billiere. "It was they who planned the most brilliant military campaign. We gave you our best ..."

"The success of the operation confounded the pessimists, and weren't we pleased?" she said. "And what a lot of merchants of doom there were."

In her speech, she also addressed unrest and economic chaos in the Soviet Union, saying Western nations shouldn't lose their patience with the reforms of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

"Let us be under no illusions about the size of the task," she said. "I'm often asked, 'Can we still do business with Mr. Gorbachev?' We have to, because it was his courage and vision which embarked on this great adventure. He has already achieved so much. We must not underestimate his reforming zeal to achieve the rest."

Common Cause backs tax, opposes retiree exemption

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — While endorsing a state income tax, the citizens group Common Cause has shown that even tax backers have their differences.

Common Cause said Monday it favors Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock's tax proposal. But it wants a lower rate for average Texans and believes retirees should pay up, too.

"We believe that retirees have obligations to help pay for government just as working people do," said Bill Stouffer, a Common Cause board member.

"To exempt income simply because it goes to a retiree seems unfair. We do not believe that a family whose two providers bring in \$30,000 a year should pay taxes, while a \$100,000 income for a retired couple goes untaxed," Stouffer said.

Bullock last week kicked off a heated debate by proposing a 5 percent personal income tax and an 8 percent corporate income tax. He proposed exempting the first \$25,000 in personal earnings and all retirement income.

Common Cause called for a lower rate on incomes under \$100,000 than Bullock has proposed.

Common Cause urged a 4 percent rate on incomes between \$25,000 and \$100,000, with a 0.5

percent increase in the tax rate for each additional \$100,000 of income up to a maximum rate of 8 percent or 9 percent.

"We would like to see the tax rate stay relatively light for the average Texan," he said.

Common Cause became the first group to openly disagree with the details of Bullock's income tax proposal rather than over the question of whether to have an income tax at all.

Stouffer said such "quibbling" over details adds to the tax debate by assuring the public that all facets of the income tax are examined.

However, he said, the 7,500 Common Cause members believe that an income tax should be added to the property and sales taxes now levied in Texas to create a fair and balanced tax system.

Stouffer likened the state and local tax system to a three-legged stool with only two legs. "In order to balance our tax system we must discard one of the hoary old slogans of Texas politics — no new taxes," he said.

The Texas Association of School Boards also came out in favor of a personal and corporate state income tax, but said the levies should be coupled with property tax relief.

"Clearly, Texas state government is facing its worst funding crisis in years," the group's board of trustees said.

Disaster declaration sought in Stinnett grassfire

STINETT (AP) — Gov. Ann Richards has been asked to declare Hutchinson County a disaster area because of a grass fire last week that ravaged the town, destroying 20 homes. "It is all up to Gov. Richards at this point," County Judge David Willard said Monday. "We are just waiting to hear from her. They said it

would probably be 10 days to two weeks." The blaze charred a 28-block area of the city.

It destroyed 17 houses, three mobile homes, three businesses and damaged at least 51 other homes. The fire also burned more than 8,000 acres of grassland.

Area agencies join to plan degree for captioning television

AMARILLO (AP) — Amarillo College and the Panhandle Council for the Deaf are planning what could be the nation's first associate degree program for captioning television programs for the hearing impaired.

"We'd like to have deaf and hearing-impaired people be allowed to choose what channel they want to watch," said Kaye Branigan, closed-caption project coordinator with the Panhandle Council for the Deaf.

She developed the program in conjunction with KFDD-TV, which now carries captioned newscasts at

5 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Ms. Branigan learned in 1989 of a closed-captioning project in El Paso. She then approached local foundations for funds and the U.S. Department of Education for a grant, which allowed captioning at KFDD to begin on Christmas Day, 1989.

Patsy Lemaster, Amarillo College court reporting professor, now hopes to develop a certificate or associate degree program.

Ms. Lemaster said only the most highly proficient court reporting students are tapped to learn to caption the news.

The stenographers are trained to paraphrase what is said while retaining the meaning, said Lemaster.

The work can be tricky because a slight error can change "occupancy" to "OK, you pansy," she said.

Captioning news and recording court proceedings use similar keyboards. But the vocabulary that must be learned to caption the news is different from that in a courtroom, Ms. Lemaster said.

Courtroom talk includes "circumstantial evidence" and "reasonable doubt," she said. But on

television, the stenographers must be familiar with weather terms, geography, regions, names, national events and sports team names.

Viewers with special decoders can watch the script, which scrolls onto a black background at the bottom of the screen. The newscasts are broadcast to the Texas Panhandle and parts of Oklahoma, New Mexico and Kansas.

Ms. Branigan said the National Captioning Institute, in Falls Church, Virginia, trains captioners, but there is no such program at the junior college level.

Plano schools adopt year-round schedule

PLANO (AP) — The joyful cry, "School's out!" won't echo down the halls of at least one Dallas-area elementary school.

Other than getting slightly longer breaks, Carlisle Elementary pupils will be in class year-round.

Higher test scores and lower stress are expected to result from the revised calendar as Carlisle becomes the first school in North Texas to abandon the traditional school year that seems to revolve around summer vacation.

In addition to two-week breaks in March and October and the shortened summer hiatus, the new plan also extends the winter break from two to three weeks.

"From an educational perspective, people are really excited about it," said Carlisle principal Charles McCasland, who proposed the plan. "Teachers that have worked on a system like this know they don't have to spend all their time reviewing. And they know that more frequent breaks throughout the year, allowing time for rest, are really helpful."

The decision to implement the plan in Plano followed six months of discussion and debate. The school board approved the plan with 6-1 vote last week.

A majority of Carlisle parents approved the three-year pilot plan in a school election last fall.

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Opinion

A faster track will mean faster trade

One factor moderating the recession has been the USA's strong exports. According to revised figures released earlier this month by the U.S. Commerce Department, the economy shrank by 2 percent in the final quarter of 1990. But exports of goods and services increased by a robust \$2.7 billion. This is one of the benefits of the emerging world economy: When one country suffers a recession, it is buoyed by continued export sales to healthier foreign countries.

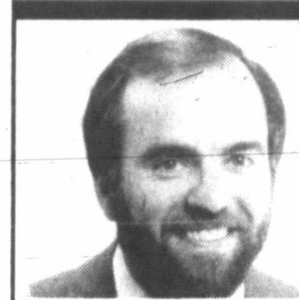
In recent months the free trade picture looked as dismal as Saddam Hussein's war prospects. Last fall the Uruguay Round of talks by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade staggered, then halted after a self-imposed December deadline. European countries had refused to agree to a significant reduction in subsidies to their politically powerful farmers. A trade war loomed.

But then the ashes of GATT turned into a Phoenix of free trade, at least for a while. GATT Director-General Arthur Dunkel announced earlier this month that the talks had begun again and that he would push them as fast as possible. He pointedly said the talks would proceed step-by-step without a deadline, avoiding the fixation on a specific date that sabotaged last fall's talks. The breakthrough came when European nations, after much prodding, agreed to discuss reducing agricultural subsidies in all areas.

In response to this development, President Bush told congressional leaders that he would seek a two-year extension of his authority to put trade negotiations on a "fast-track" schedule. This would allow him to sign trade agreements with the effective prior approval of Congress, which could always repeal the agreements if it didn't like them. In addition to the GATT talks, the fast-track authority would help the president more rapidly negotiate the anticipated U.S.-Mexico free trade agreement.

Congressional leaders voiced support of the president's program, but they wanted to tie strings to his efforts. House Speaker Tom Foley said he wanted "some assurances ... on some of the subjects that'll be included in the negotiation." But the only assurance needed is that the president continue to keep trade as free as possible. Texas' congressional delegation should join in spearheading congressional approval of putting the talks on the fast track — thereby helping return us to the fast track to prosperity.

War critics: Were we wrong?



Stephen Chapman

In the glow of victory, finding anyone who thinks the war with Iraq was a mistake is as hard as finding a tattoo at the symphony. In January, when Congress gave President Bush the authority to go to war, 230 senators and representatives were opposed. This month, when both houses approved a resolution praising his "unerring judgment and sound decisions," only eight members voted no.

A *USA Today* poll found that 91 percent of Americans approve of the job Bush is doing. Victory, it's been said, has a hundred fathers, and this one also has lots of other relatives coming out of the woodwork.

Success has a way of silencing the complaints and changing minds, and if any war was ever a success, this one was. In military, diplomatic and political terms, the president couldn't have handled it with greater skill.

Those of us who feared it would exact a high price in American lives were mistaken. This is the rare occasion when it's a pleasure to be in error.

So is now the time for a *mea culpa* — a confession that George Bush was right and those of us who opposed the war wrong? Sorry, but no. The ease and popularity of the triumph don't change the fundamental fact: This was not a war the United States needed to fight — and when it is not necessary to fight, it is necessary not to fight.

Nor does it provide a reliable forecast of future military undertakings. The war against Iraq was one of a kind — a case of unprovoked aggression by a dangerous but militarily inept tyrant against a country possessing something of great value to the rest of the world, which promptly united to stop him. Few world disputes are so simple, and few

military challenges so easy.

True, anyone who is generally wary of U.S. military intervention abroad has to acknowledge that this victory alters the debate. No one doubted the desirability of Bush's goals — discouraging aggression, keeping oil prices low, ridding the Middle East of a threat. What critics doubted was that it was worth what it would cost to achieve them. It's obviously easier to justify an enterprise that kills 115 American soldiers than one that kills thousands.

It's also easier to justify the monetary cost if someone else is paying most of it. Bush has won some \$54 billion in pledges from our allies to cover the expense of the war, though the U.S. share will still add up to \$15 billion.

But if a quick, cheap victory makes intervention less painful, it doesn't make it smart. The best argument against this war all along was not that it would be costly: World War II was far more costly in every way and worth the sacrifice. The problem was that it put American blood and treasure at risk for purposes that weren't important, much less indispensable.

The first stated purpose was punishing aggres-

sion. But we've never made it our business to combat aggression wherever it occurs, and we shouldn't start now. The only reason we were willing to uphold this noble principle here is that Saddam Hussein endangered the free flow of oil to the industrial economies. That's not a good enough reason.

Why not? Partly because Hussein was eager to sell Kuwait's oil (we were the ones who refused to buy), which is why he wanted it in the first place. And partly because the worst he could have done, had he stopped all production, is to force up prices temporarily — with far less effect than the oil panics of the 1970s, which we all survived.

Will this lead the way to a new world order, in which the lion will lie down with the lamb? Maybe so, but as Woody Allen once noted, the lamb won't get much sleep. A global mobilization to roll back an act of aggression is likely to remain the exception, not the rule. Is the United States going to send half a million troops to the rescue if Iraq is invaded by Iran?

Besides complications like that, there is the problem that collective security works well only when there is something approaching unanimity among nations, as there was in this crisis. In past crises, such as Nicaragua, Lebanon, Afghanistan and the Arab-Israeli wars, there was plenty of disagreement, just as there is likely to be in future ones. If the action against Iraq had been vigorously opposed by just one country — the Soviet Union — the outcome could have been drastically different.

Thanks to Bush's deft execution of his policy, the mistake of going to war with Iraq turned out to be largely painless. The mistake of using it to rationalize future interventions may not.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, March 12th, the 71st day of 1991. There are 294 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 12th, 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt delivered the first of his "fireside chats," telling Americans in a radio broadcast what was being done to deal with the nation's financial crisis.

On this date: In 1664, New Jersey became a British colony as King Charles II granted land in the New World to his brother James, the Duke of York.

In 1912, Juliette Gordon Low founded an organization in Savannah, Ga., called the Girl Guides, which later became the Girl Scouts of America.

In 1925, Chinese revolutionary leader Sun Yat-sen died.

In 1930, Indian political and spiritual leader Mohandas K. Gandhi began a 200-mile march to protest a British tax on salt.

In 1959, the House joined the Senate in approving statehood for Hawaii.



She's planely not afraid to fly

Barbara Bush made news recently because she took a commercial flight from Washington.

What made that news was Barbara Bush is, of course, wife to our president, and she could have had her husband's plane fly her with all that security that goes with it.

Mrs. Bush's reason for flying commercial was she wanted to show Americans she wasn't afraid of terrorists in the sky and the rest of us shouldn't be either.

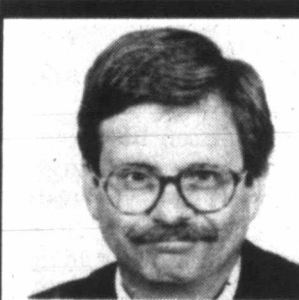
I'm just as afraid of terrorists blowing up an airplane in which I'm a passenger as a mean of gaining revenge for the war in the gulf as the next American.

But if Barbara Bush could do it, so could I. Yes, I also flew commercial recently.

The reason you're hearing about it here and not on any of the networks is I'm no relation to the president, and I don't have my own plane.

Still, I think it's a little newsworthy that I did it. I could have taken the bus. As far as I know, no American bus has ever been bothered by terrorists from other countries.

During the Greyhound strike, disgruntled employees did shoot at buses, but they were all Americans simply exercising their God-given right to bear arms and shoot at things that move.



Lewis Grizzard

I must admit, however, I didn't fly coach as Mrs. Bush did. I got one of those frequent flyer upgrades and sat in first class where it's easier to get extra peanuts.

Plus, I figured if terrorists were aboard my flight, they'd probably be sitting in coach and might not notice me if they decided to start shooting hostages.

It would be less difficult to conceal a bazooka or a scud launcher in coach and nobody on a mission from Allah would care about extra peanuts anyway.

I flew from the East Coast to the West Coast and back to the East Coast again and we didn't experience a single instance of terrorism either way — if you discount a baby that cried from somewhere over Arkansas to Los Angeles.

That's not to say it wasn't obvious the airlines are taking more security measures due to the threat of terrorists.

"Just to be on the safe side," said one of my pilots, "I'm going to leave the seat belt sign on during the entire flight."

A terrorist strapped in his or her seat can't do a lot of terrorizing was the reason for that.

Also, the flight attendants reminded us that "in the unlikely event of a terrorist attack, your seat cushion can be used to hide under."

The only time I was nervous about a possible terrorist attack was when they handed out the hot towels just before landing, and the guy sitting in the row next to me put his on his head.

He turned out to be a guy with a bad hangover.

My point is the same as Barbara Bush's. We Americans simply can't be held hostage by the threat of terrorists.

We must go about our lives as we did before the war.

Next, I'm going to try to go an entire week without watching CNN.

Before the war, the only face I recognized on CNN was Jim Huber's, the sports guy.

Now, I'm suffering from Peter Arnettophobia, the fear that one day I'll turn on my television to find he's been replaced by Dick Vitale.

RU-486 ban is cruel and immoral

By SARAH OVERSTREET

Imagine this: There's a disease that runs among the men in your family. It's devastating, painful and often fatal. Your grandfather had it, your father had it and two of your brothers have it. You're a man, so you could very well have it next.

You pick up a magazine and learn that there's a promising new drug on the horizon that doctors estimate could increase the cure and survival rate for this disease, and, in addition, it has great possibilities for the treatment of other medical problems. The drug is being tested in another country with excellent results.

Then further down into the article, your hopes are dashed: There is a federal policy which forbids the drug being tested in this country. Why? Because one of the uses of the drug — not the use that could save your life and the lives of others in your family — some policy makers don't approve

of. To make sure the drug would not be used in that manner, they made it illegal to test the drug in this country for any use whatsoever.

Next, imagine that the use that caused policy makers to outlaw the drug is not even against the law in this nation. But since one group of policy makers doesn't agree with the practice, you can't have access to the drug for treatment of your disease.

Sound complicated? How about preposterous?

The exact scenario is happening to American women who suffer from breast cancer and other diseases affected by certain hormones. The drug, RU-486, has been shown by French researchers to block the actions of these hormones.

But since the drug can also be used to induce abortion early in a pregnancy, policy makers in the Reagan administration who disagreed with abortion outlawed any research or use of the drug in the

United States.

Just how effective could the drug be against certain diseases? Dr. Gary D. Hodgen of the Eastern Virginia Medical School says the drug could successfully treat as much as 40 percent of all breast cancers, could do away with the need for 10 percent of all Caesarean section deliveries and may be valuable in treating endometriosis, a painful condition in which tissue lining the uterus starts growing elsewhere in the pelvis. The disease commonly results in a hysterectomy having to be performed.

In addition to its application to women's diseases, RU-486 is also being successfully prescribed in France as a treatment for Cushing's Syndrome, a serious endocrine disorder that can cause high blood pressure, weight gain and emotional disturbances.

Abortion is one thing, and every citizen and every policy maker has a right to work against a practice he or

she believes is immoral. But saving lives with a drug that just also happens to be able to be used as an abortifacient has nothing to do with abortion.

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Yugoslavian lawmakers walk out of parliament, hold vigil with protesters



By MARK J. PORUBCANSKY
Associated Press Writer

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — The government today partially gave in to the most forceful anti-Communist protests ever seen in Serbia, Yugoslavia's largest republic, by demanding the resignations of five Belgrade TV officials.

But concessions announced to 10,000 students gathered in the center of Belgrade on the fourth day of protests fell short of the protesters' demands.

The students also were calling for the release of an opposition leader arrested after a violent clash between protesters and police Saturday, and the firing of the republic's interior minister, who they hold responsible for the clashes in which two people were killed.

Another major opposition rally was scheduled for later Tuesday afternoon in Belgrade, the capital of Yugoslavia and the republic of Serbia.

The Tanjug news agency said the republic's minister of culture, Bajo Saranovic, told the students the government was "categorically" demanding the resignations of Belgrade TV chief Dusan Mitevic and four editors.

Saturday's demonstration began as a protest against the Communist-controlled media in Belgrade, but has quickly grown into the strongest challenge to Communist rule in Serbia since World War II.

It also significantly undermines hard-line Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic in negotiations with the presidents of other Yugoslav republics over the future of the federation.

A federal presidency meeting that

had been scheduled for today to continue discussions on Yugoslavia's future was called off, Tanjug said.

Milosevic wants to keep Yugoslavia a federation with tight control in Belgrade. The western republics of Croatia and Slovenia want the country to become a loose confederation, and failing that, say they will secede.

Opposition lawmakers stormed out of Serbia's Parliament early this morning to join a steadily swelling crowd of Belgrade students protesting police brutality in clashes Saturday, censorship and the arrest of opposition leaders.

"Let them have their one-party Parliament. Let them have their Communist democracy," opposition deputy Milan Pirovski said after walking from the Serbian Parliament to join the vigil kept by about 2,000 students.

By midmorning, the crowd in central Belgrade had swelled to 10,000, including many children who defied threats of expulsion from high schools.

Students at Belgrade University, Yugoslavia's largest, boycotted classes and have won backing from students in three other large Serbian cities — Nis, Novi Sad and Kragujevac — who protested in their hometowns, Tanjug said.

Students and young people swarmed across traffic lanes in central Belgrade in a holiday atmosphere enhanced by balmy spring weather.

The police presence seemed to have decreased, although traffic officers managed to reopen some streets that were clogged with demonstrators on Monday.

The protests began Saturday as a

demonstration against control of the Serbian media by Milosevic and the Socialists, the renamed Communist Party.

But it turned into a pitched battle when authorities moved in with armored vehicles and live ammunition against about 100,000 protesters. A 17-year-old student and a police officer were killed, and 120 people were wounded.

Milosevic told the emergency session of the Serbian Parliament on Monday that foreign enemies of Serbia were to blame for the unrest. He said the enemies were plotting with domestic traitors to turn the republic into a "vassal state."

In a concession, the Serbian government asked the heavily pro-Milosevic Parliament to form a commission to investigate the weekend clashes. It also said that a "free and unimpeded flow of information" should be assured.

It singled out Belgrade TV, the target of Saturday's protest, for criticism, saying that it should ensure

"timely and full" information.

The government said that censorship of independent television and radio should be lifted. Opposition leaders and Western diplomats say Milosevic's tight control over the media gave him a huge advantage in December elections.

It also called for Parliament to review the work of Serbian-government-run Belgrade TV next week, and it urged that legal procedures for more than 150 people arrested after Saturday's violence be speeded up.

But the list of government concessions, transmitted by the Tanjug news agency, did not include release of opposition leader Vuk Draskovic or the firing of Interior Minister Radmilo Bogdanovic.

Protesters hold Bogdanovic responsible for the violence.

At the height of Monday's rally, demonstrators shouted "Vuk, Vuk," for Draskovic, who led Saturday's demonstration. They jeered Milosevic with the epithets "Slobo-Sad-dam," and "Slobo-Stalin."

Inspection oversight blamed for accident

TOKYO (AP) — Following their improper installation 19 years ago, inspectors never checked the anti-vibration fittings that led to Japan's worst nuclear power plant accident, government officials said today.

A worker also mistakenly closed a pressure release valve after an annual safety inspection last year, and the error was not discovered until after the Feb. 9 accident, the officials said.

The Ministry of International Trade and Industry has said in recent days that 0.6 curies of radiation — four times as much as the plant operator, Kansai Electric Power Co., initially reported — escaped from the Mihama plant.

That much radiation, however, still would have a negligible effect on the environment or on human health, the Science and Technology Agency's Nuclear Safety Bureau said.

During each year of normal operation, seven curies of radiation escape from the three nuclear reactors at Mihama, the bureau said.

The plant, in western Japan, shut down automatically in last month's accident after a pipe in the steam generator burst, sending radioactive water from the primary into the secondary cooling system.

It was the first time an emergency core cooling system had been activated in a Japanese plant to prevent a meltdown.

The ministry has said pipes connecting the two cooling systems must have worn out and burst because of excessive vibration resulting from improperly installed anti-vibration parts.

Inspectors hadn't checked anti-vibration fittings since the Mihama plant was built 19 years ago, said Ryuko Fujii of the ministry's nuclear safety division.

Concerning the closed pressure release valve in the primary cooling system, Kazuo Fukuda, spokesman for Kansai Electric, said today that nobody had gone in to check the valve since the annual April-July inspection.

Supporters of Yugoslavian President Slobodan Milosevic stage a counter-demonstration in downtown Belgrade Monday in response to the massive anti-Communist protests over the weekend. Clashes between police and anti-Communist demonstrators have left two dead and more than 125 injured.

(AP Laserphoto)

Chlorine plant explodes in Southern Mexico; three dead

COATZACOALCOS, Mexico (AP) — Pipes exploded in a petrochemical plant near this southern city on Monday, shaking nearby buildings and shooting flames 100 feet high, authorities said. At least three workers were killed and 350 people were injured.

The newspaper El Diario del Istmo said only twisted pipes and charred scraps of metal were left on the site of the plant in Pajaritos, near the Gulf Coast city of Coatzacoalcos, 300 miles southeast of Mexico City.

"At first people thought it was an earthquake," said Ciria Ines Jimenez Martinez, a social worker at a hospital in Nachitlan, a few miles from the plant. "The second one was

stronger and everyone panicked." The government oil monopoly Petroleos Mexicanos, S.A., or Pemex, said three workers died in the explosion and fire.

It was not immediately known how many people were inside the plant when the explosions occurred.

Reporter Maria Elvira Santa Maria said the blasts "shook the whole" area of 321,000 people.

"Afterwards a tremendous mushroom cloud was seen," she said.

Pemex spokeswoman Vania Munoz said fire broke out in an area where crude oil is heated to make petrochemicals. She said it had not yet been determined how the employees died.

The company reported 122 people

injured, but tallies at nearby hospitals suggested a much higher injury toll.

A staff member at the Pemex clinic in Coatzacoalcos said about 200 people were treated there. The Nachitlan hospital treated 103.

Manuel Avila y Avila, the Red Cross chief in Coatzacoalcos, said 30 people were taken to the Social Security Hospital there, and 13 others were treated and released by the Red Cross.

Most of the injuries were cuts and bruises, he said.

El Diario del Istmo said most of the victims at area hospitals and clinics were released by Monday night, but at least three remained in serious condition.

A Pemex statement said the first explosion occurred at 8:40 a.m. (9:40 a.m. EST).

Pemex Directo Francisco Rojas said investigators from Pemex and the federal prosecutor's office were looking into the accident, the newspaper reported.

Five schools were evacuated and telephone and electricity was out in parts of the city, the independent Excelsior news service said.

The army cordoned off the area and firefighting crews from other plants were brought in, Pemex said. It said the flames were brought under control about noon.

Veracruz Gov. Dante Delgado inspected the scene by helicopter, El Diario del Istmo said.

Australian prime minister outlines radical reform measures

By PAUL ALEXANDER
Associated Press Writer

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Prime Minister Bob Hawke today outlined an ambitious economic reform program designed to pull the country out of its worst recession since World War II.

The key points include tariff cuts, reduced wholesale sales taxes for business, retraining assistance, expanded help for export industries and further initiatives in education and research.

"Ultimately, they sharpen our ability to reduce the current-account deficit and stabilize foreign debt," Hawke said in a nationally televised address to Parliament.

"The Australian economy is currently at or near the bottom of a downturn that has been sharper, deeper and more prolonged than we

anticipated," Hawke said. "I acknowledge the recession has hurt many people and cost many jobs, and that is something I regret deeply."

He said Australia should start rebounding later this year with lower inflation and interest rates.

While the tariff reductions are aimed at making Australia more competitive in the world market and will help agricultural and mining exports, they are expected to hurt the textile, clothing, footwear and auto industries. Car manufacturers already have been suffering from depressed sales.

Industry Minister John Button said the decision to cut tariffs would "put behind us the legacy of a highly protected inward-looking industry."

"It will reinforce the fact that Australia's prosperity can only be

achieved by creating the environment within which Australian industry can compete internationally," he said.

Hawke announced his economic reforms two days before the government will release last month's unemployment figures, which are expected to show the highest rate in almost six years. It was 8.4 percent in January.

Analysts predict the jobless rate will peak at 9 percent or higher around midyear.

Australia is the world's largest wool exporter, but the industry has been hit hard by a worldwide downturn in demand. The government

last month suspended the floor price it guaranteed to farmers, allowing the free market to set the rate in an effort to spur buyers.

Wheat farmers also have been suffering, particularly with the loss of their largest buyer, Iraq. In addition, Australia has been complaining that the United States' farm subsidy programs also have hurt.

Hawke said the general level of tariff protection would be reduced from 10 percent and 15 percent in 1992 to an across-the-board rate of 5 percent by 1996. Tariffs on cars would be phased down from 35 percent in 1992 to annual 2.5 percent steps to 15 percent in 2000.



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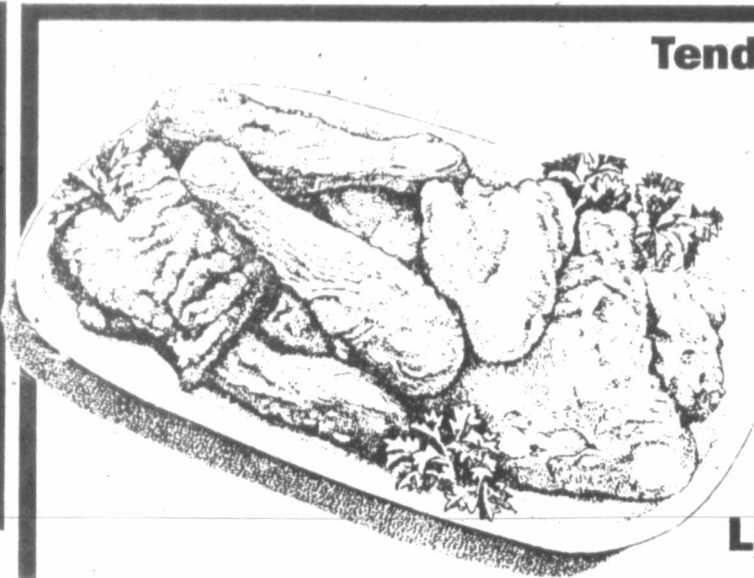
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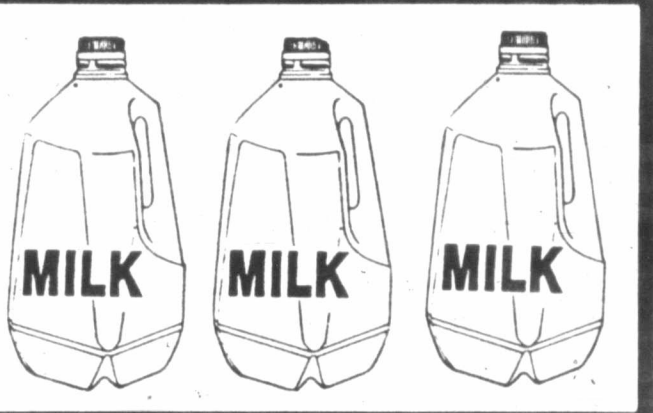
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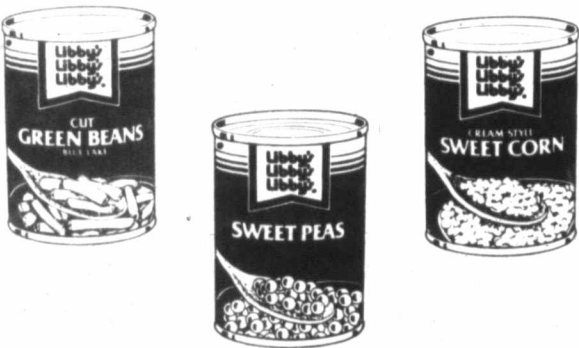
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Government proposes new restrictions on journalists for Romanian media

By DAN PETREANU
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BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — The government has given preliminary approval to proposals that could send journalists to jail for up to five years if they are found guilty of insulting authorities.

Opposition activists charged Monday that the proposals cast doubts on the government's commitment to a free press.

A draft law signed last month by Premier Petre Roman proposes that "defamation of the president of Romania" in the media be punished by as many as five years in prison or fines of up to \$14,000.

Similar penalties are proposed for "defaming or insulting" the government and other state authorities and for "inciting hatred or discrimination against any person or group of persons," the draft said.

Details of the proposal were given to The Associated Press by sources familiar with the document. Government spokesman Bogdan Baltazar confirmed the accounts.

Roman reportedly signed the draft law last month. It has not yet been made public, nor openly debated in parliament, which must approve it before it takes effect.

Opposition activists and Western diplomats who have long made freedom of the press a barometer of democratization in Romania were

critical when asked for reaction. Petru Clej, a political writer for the anti-government daily *Romania Libera*, termed the law "unacceptable stupidity. ... I don't think it's normal, and it's all the more grave in a country in which the judiciary is not independent."

"The law is an attempt to silence any criticism, like in the time of (former Communist dictator Nicolae) Ceausescu," said Oedoen Bitayi, spokesman of the Union of Democratic Hungarians in Romania, the largest parliamentary opposition group.

Baltazar maintained in a telephone interview that the draft law was "intended to protect both journalists and their readers."

He said the law was "similar to what there is in America" and that "the burden of proof would be on the plaintiff to prove in a court that he had been defamed."

Many Romanians don't trust the courts to be objective arbitrators between the people and the National Salvation Front government.

Virgil Bodeen, a spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Bucharest, noted that "in the U.S. the president is subject to the same laws everyone else is and ... I don't think there should be any need to add to that."

The new proposals, he said, "wouldn't appear to give the press encouragement to do much. ... We'd like to see more encouragement of

the press to exercise its mandate." The draft appears to be the result of a nine-month debate on whether Romania needs a press law. Many journalists oppose the idea, advocating a non-binding "press charter" that would outline liberties.

Journalists frequently allege sabotage, harassment and restriction by the government, which also has resisted calls for independent television.

Officials say the news media have been wildly irresponsible since the December 1989 revolution against Ceausescu released the Communist muzzle on reporters.

Unsubstantiated press reports have, for instance, claimed Ceausescu is still alive and in Cuba, or that an illegitimate daughter of John F. Kennedy and Marilyn Monroe has lived for 28 years in the Romanian industrial town of Buzau.

The opposition press also has frequently published accounts doubting the genuineness of the revolution and describing it as a palace coup in the Communist party.

President Ion Iliescu — who has called *Romania Libera* "the root of evil" — two weeks ago warned opposition journalists through press advertisements that they may be risking indictment for "calumny."

The proposed law says: "Freedom of the press can be exercised only in conditions of correctness, loyalty and good faith."

City's dump becomes a gold mine for birdwatchers at Brownsville

By JOEL WILLIAMS
Associated Press Writer

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Plastic bags bounce like tumbleweeds across the Brownsville Sanitary Landfill. A bulldozer works over a new shipment of rotting food scraps, disposable diapers and other debris.

Could anyone think of a better place to go birdwatching?

"The Brownsville dump is important. It has an aura of its own," said birder Anne Copps of Grand Rapids, Mich., who visited the landfill one recent afternoon.

"I'd say Brownsville is the biggest birding dump in the country. If you want to see the Mexican crow, you have to come here," said Jeff Gordon, a guide from Austin-based Victor Emanuel Nature Tours who accompanied Ms. Copps' group.

For birdwatchers — and birds — the landfill is the place to be. Fowl not seen anywhere else in the United States flock there regularly to feast on its mounds of garbage.

People walking through with cameras and binoculars sometimes bring looks of amusement to the faces of dump employees, but Brownsville's Economic Development Foundation isn't laughing. It put out a colorful birding guide about two years ago that invites visitors to stop at the area's "Mexican Crow Park," which is really the dump, or sanitary landfill as it is formally known.

"Sanitary landfill. I love that name," said the Rev. Tom Pincelli, a local birdwatcher.

But Copps said there are worse places to birdwatch.

"This is a step up for us," Copps said. "We also go to a lot of sewage ponds."

The dump attracts rare birds because of its abundance of food, said Linda Laack, biologist at the Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge 25 miles north



On a recent tour of the Brownsville Sanitary Landfill, birders keep a watchful eye for a glimpse of the Mexican crow.

of Brownsville.

Indeed, the Mexican crow — known scientifically as *Corvus imparatus* — is not known to venture farther north than this dump in Texas' southernmost city. The bird, which looks like a small, black crow and croaks like a frog, is native to northeastern Mexico.

"As a birder, this is a legendary spot to go, basically for this bird," said Bev Leeuwenberg of Washington, D.C. She got her first look at the Mexican crow during a recent visit to the dump.

Another rare bird recently spotted was the endangered aplomado

falcon, and it may have come to the dump to feed on the abundance of smaller birds that visit, Laack said.

A variety of gulls can also be seen at the dump, said Pincelli, who operates a National Audubon Society hot line that alerts birders to recent rare sightings in the area.

The number of rare birds found at the dump makes a visit pretty much a requirement for birders visiting the area, Pincelli said.

It is particularly important to serious birders who try to see as many of the approximately 800 species of North American birds as they can.

Federal judge challenged over use of epithet for homosexuals in case

By LAURIE ASSEO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A homosexual challenging his dismissal from the U.S. Naval Academy sought to disqualify a federal judge from the case Monday because the jurist called him a "homo" in court.

U.S. District Judge Oliver Gasch cannot be impartial in handling Joseph C. Steffan's challenge to the policy barring homosexuals from military service, said the motion asking the judge to remove himself from the case.

"I was certainly shocked and surprised to hear that he would use a statement like that and above all to use it in a courtroom," Steffan said in a telephone interview from his home in Sharon, Conn.

"The term 'homo' is pejorative and was repeatedly used by the court as filed," according to legal papers filed by Steffan's attorneys, which added that "the statements reflected a personal distaste for 'homos.'"

Gasch, 84, a senior judge and former American Bar Association president, said Monday, "I don't want to comment on this case. These people are making a big brouhaha about it and what I

say, I'll say in court." He did not immediately schedule a hearing on the motion.

Steffan was dismissed from the Naval Academy six weeks before he was to graduate in 1987, based on his statement that he was homosexual. He was not accused of homosexual conduct.

Gasch's statements occurred during a March 6 hearing as the judge was asking Steffan's attorneys about military documents they were seeking regarding other homosexuals in the military.

"The most I would allow is what relates to this plaintiff, not every homo that may be walking the face of the earth at this time," Gasch said, according to an official transcript of the hearing.

Shortly afterward, while discussing the military's policy and Steffan's dismissal from the academy, the judge said, "On what basis do you contest it?"

Attorney Marc Wolinsky answered, "On Mr. Steffan's affidavit."

"That he's a homo and knows other homos. Is that it?" Gasch replied, according to the transcript.

"When he said it a chill went right through me," said Steffan's attorney, Sandra J. Lowe, an attorney for the Lambda Legal Defense

and Education Fund in New York, a group that does legal work for homosexuals.

"I would have a hard time believing that this was just an innocent slip of the tongue," Ms. Lowe said. "I think he knows exactly what he said."

The brief said Gasch's statements "are the equivalent of directing racial epithets at an African-American plaintiff in a case alleging racial discrimination."

Stephen Gillers, a law professor at New York University who specializes in legal ethics, said he believed it was improper for Gasch to use the word, but added, "We have an octogenarian judge for whom the word may have at one point had a non-pejorative meaning, just the way 'colored people' or 'girl' may have been perceived to have a non-pejorative meaning."

However, he added, "It's a judge's responsibility to stay abreast of language and to recognize that yesterday's description could be today's epithet."

If Gasch merely erred, he should apologize, Gillers said. If he did know of the word's pejorative meaning and used it deliberately, the judge should be disqualified from the case, he said.

U.S. firms look to rebuilding Kuwait

HOUSTON (AP) — Oil service companies that suffered losses during the Persian Gulf War could make economic gains during the rebuilding of Kuwait, company officials said.

"I can't see how there could help but be more business," said Sherry Stephens, president of the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association. "They're looking for equipment and most of our people have equipment they're ready to sell."

PESA members, including oil-field service companies and equipment manufacturers, felt a significant crunch from the international embargo against Iraq and Kuwait after the Aug. 2 invasion.

Both countries were huge markets for PESA members — Kuwait had some key ongoing projects while Iraq was trying to repair and expand its oil industry following its long war with Iran.

But those same businesses could

be the recipients of an economic boom.

"A fairly large market — particularly for surface (production) equipment — is going to develop because of Iraq's destruction of Kuwait's wells," said Gilbert H. Tausch, PESA vice chairman and president of Houston-based Camco International.

Even before the allied forces began pushing Iraq out of Kuwait, the national Kuwait Petroleum Corp. was buying wellheads from Houston companies like Cameron Iron Works to replace equipment destroyed or stolen by the Iraqis.

Representatives of the oil well firefighting firms of Red Adair Co. Inc., Boots & Coots Inc. and Wild Well Control Inc. were in Kuwait last week to assess damage.

Jim Woods, chairman of Baker Hughes Inc., said significant gains could come to his company through its Eastman Christensen division, which specializes in the directional

drilling necessary for drilling relief wells to kill blowouts that firefighters can't handle from the surface.

Once the fires are extinguished, Kuwait will have to restore production from its wells, which should mean even more business for a larger number of Houston companies.

Reconstruction of pipelines, loading terminals, refineries and petrochemical plants will mean more work, especially for the Houston engineering firms that helped build those facilities originally.

"I think there will be a lot of work for a lot of people, but it may extend for a period of years," Tausch said. "This is not just the expansion of present oil fields but the restoration of 20 years of history."

Engineering construction firms with years of experience in building refineries, petrochemical facilities and processing plants in the desert are expected to reap the richest rewards.

Report: A quick shift to market economy would throw millions of Soviets out of work

By BRYAN BRUMLEY
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — Quickly shifting the Soviet Union to a market economy would throw millions of people out of work and cut industrial production by up to 37 percent this year, according to a government study made public Monday.

The report, prepared last year by the state planning agency Gosplan, opposed the "shock therapy" economic reforms used in Poland and recommended a slower approach relying on the government to control inflation and unemployment.

The report's dire predictions may help explain the decision of President Mikhail S. Gorbachev to withdraw support from the so-called 500-day plan proposed last year to move the Soviet economy from a central planning system.

Gosplan economists forecast that shifting to a market economy in two years could cut industrial production by up to 37 percent this year and even more in 1992.

Earlier government studies said ending government subsidies to inefficient factories and businesses would likely cause thousands of bankruptcies and closures.

"It is clear that carrying out such a variant is fraught with destructive consequences, above all the sharp rise in the number of temporarily unemployed workers," the report said.

Stretching the changes over five years could soften the blow, the report predicted. It said industrial output may drop 16.5 percent this year, but rise by 148 percent by the end of 1995, compared with 1990 levels, on the five-year schedule.

The rise in production, and the accompanying growth in retail and tax revenues, would enable authorities to cut the budget deficit from a forecasted 110 billion rubles in 1991 to 36.4 billion rubles in 1995, the report predicted.

The five-year approach envisages a two-fold

increase in the prices of retail goods and a four-fold increase in the cost of services from 1991 to 1995.

Stretching the transition from two to five years could restrict the rise in the unemployment level to 11 percent in 1994 out of a work force estimated at 166.5 million, the Gosplan report said.

Until recently, Kremlin officials did not admit that any Soviets were unemployed, although the Gosplan report projects the level at 8.8 percent for this year if the gradual plan is adopted.

Soviets already face chronic shortages of housing, consumer goods and certain foods, such as fresh fruit and vegetables in northern cities. The country's transportation network is poor, and many goods are stolen on their way to the state stores and sold on the black market.

Official inflation figures may be artificially low, because they do not fully take into account the rapid rise of prices on the black market and in unregulated farmers' markets.

Although Gorbachev has declared his intention of shifting the nation to a market economy, he has not clarified his plans since rejecting the 500-day program last fall.

The five-year transition policy outlined by Gosplan appears to be roughly in line with the highly centralized policies Gorbachev is pursuing.


Gosplan recommended "an active government policy in the process of developing trade and monetary relations in the economy, strong control over inflation" and providing a social safety net for those most likely to suffer.

It proposed the sale of state-owned housing to private citizens as a means to reduce government housing subsidies.

The Gosplan study did not discuss the transfer of state-owned industry and agriculture to private ownership, a step that has drawn stiff opposition from Gorbachev's hard-line Communist allies.

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Honor Roll

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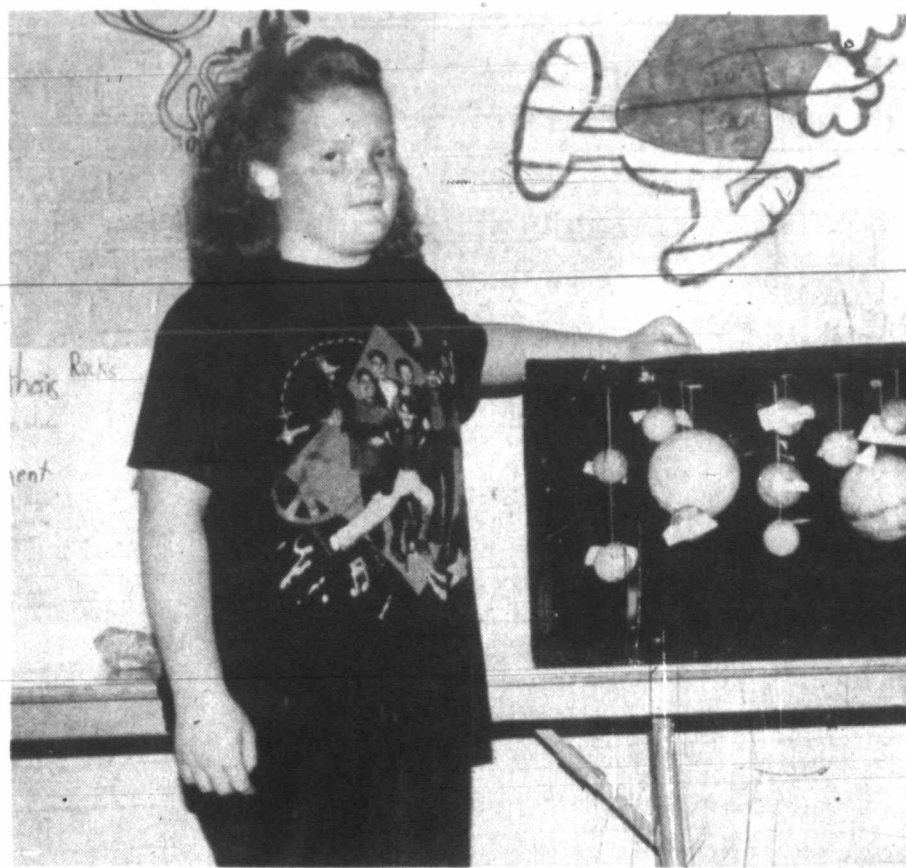
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Summer Giger, fourth grade student at Baker Elementary, shows her science fair project. (Staff photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

Baker Elementary winners announced

Baker Elementary School held their annual science fair on March 7 and 8. Fourth and fifth grade students presented projects. First place winners were Brandon Orr, Ricky

Captain, and Ambrina Wilson. The second place winner was Keisha Roby. Third place winners were: Nimit Patel and Wayne Bryan. Honorable mention winners were: Angel

Doty and Kelby McClellan. Each student received a participant ribbon. Six of these winners will be able to travel to Amarillo to the regional science fair.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

If you speak up for others, others can speak up for you

DEAR ABBY: The Nazis killed my aunt not long before I was inducted into the service in 1945. My father's last days at age 94 (some 45 years later) were consumed by that terrible occurrence.

Just today I watched a television talk show where a vocal minority made some very convincing comments against our involvement in the war against Iraq. Although I would not wish to silence that group's warnings, because I, too, felt uneasy about our entering yet another war, I'm enclosing a gem of a piece that appeared in your column. Please print it again. It is timeless.

ERIC SCHOENHAAR, GREELEY, COLO.

DEAR ERIC: That "gem of a piece" has appeared in my column several times, and I agree, it is indeed timeless. And it's also timely.

It was written by the Rev. Martin Niemoller, a German Lutheran pastor who was arrested by the Gestapo in 1938. He was sent to Dachau concentration camp where he remained until he was freed by the Allied forces in 1945. It was titled "I Didn't Speak Up" — and here it is:

"In Germany, the Nazis first came for the communists, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't

a communist. Then they came for the Jews, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew. Then they came for the trade unionists, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist. Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant. Then they came for me, and by that time there was no one left to speak for me."

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WTSU plans orientation day

West Texas State University will host a "Making It to the Majors" day on Wednesday, April 3, in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center on the WTSU campus. The come-and-go event is designed to educate students, prospective students and parents about major course of study at the university. Representatives will be available to visit with all interested individuals from 11-2 p.m. and from 6-7 p.m. about academic areas, curriculum requirements, professional organizations and career opportunities.

After the academic orientation session, Gene Parker, director of career planning and placement, will conduct an orientation session titled "You and the Job Market." Topics include interviewing skills, resume writing, understanding the application process, and research on potential employers. Admission to professional schools, career testing and internship opportunities will be discussed.

Both events are free and the public is invited. For more information call Gene Parker at (806)-656-2345.

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TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center is a non-profit organization which exists to provide safe shelter, crisis counseling, advocacy transportation and a 24-hour hotline for victims of family violence, sexual assault and other violent crimes. Volunteers are an intricate part of our service delivery and are needed in all areas of service. Volunteer training is held quarterly. Parenting classes are conducted quarterly. For more information call 669-1131.

PAMPA NURSING CENTER

Pampa Nursing Center needs volunteers for craft lessons and for the morning exercise program starting at 10 a.m., Monday through Friday. Simple stretching and strengthening exercises are required geared for residents who are in wheel chairs. For more information contact Ina Gale Rowell at 669-2551.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The Texas Department of Human Services uses volunteers for a variety of services: paperwork for HUD recipients; taxiing disabled and elderly to doctor appointments, preparing food baskets, and serving as coordinators between clients and caseworkers. Occasionally special talents are needed to repair roofs, paint or handle small plumbing problems. For more information call 665-1863.

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

The Big Brothers/Big Sisters program is in need of adults age 19 and up to serve as big brothers or sisters to children in the program. Volunteers need to commit between three to four hours per week for one year to the program.

For more information contact Peggy David, director, 665-1211.

PAMPA SHELTERED WORKSHOP

Pampa Sheltered Workshop offers employment and recreation to retarded citizens over the age of 21. For more information contact Ruth Durkee, director, 669-6322.

LIFE AND LOVE ALTERNATIVES

Life and Love Alternatives is a group that provides help for women facing crisis pregnancies. Assistance is needed for donations of clothing, especially baby and maternity clothing; frozen and canned foods; and baby furniture. For more information, contact Lendy Woolldridge at 669-9999.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Gray County chapter of the American Red Cross needs volunteers for safety programs, youth programs, morning office work and fund development. The loan closet has wheel chairs, crutches, hospital beds, potty chairs other items to loan for community use. For more information contact Katie Fairweather, director, 669-7121.

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MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels, located in the basement of the First United Methodist Church, supplies hot meals to the elderly and home bound. Volunteers are needed from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the kitchen and drivers are needed from 11 a.m. to noon to deliver meals. For more information contact Ann Loter, 669-1007.

SALVATION ARMY

Pampa's Salvation Army needs volunteers at the Thrift store and at the church. Help is needed to sort clothing and goods at the Thrift store, call 669-9024 for available schedule. Volunteers are needed once a month to help serve meals, coffee and tea during the Golden Ager's luncheon. A free lunch is provided to volunteers. Call the Army office at 665-7233 for more information.

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13. Affection
14. Flying saucers (abbr.)
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23. Ali
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30. Olympic org.
31. Streams
33. Panhandler
34. Aug. time
35. Wary
36. UK broadcasters (2 wds.)
37. Saltwater

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2. Villain in "Othello"
3. Construction beam (2 wds.)
4. Jane Fonda

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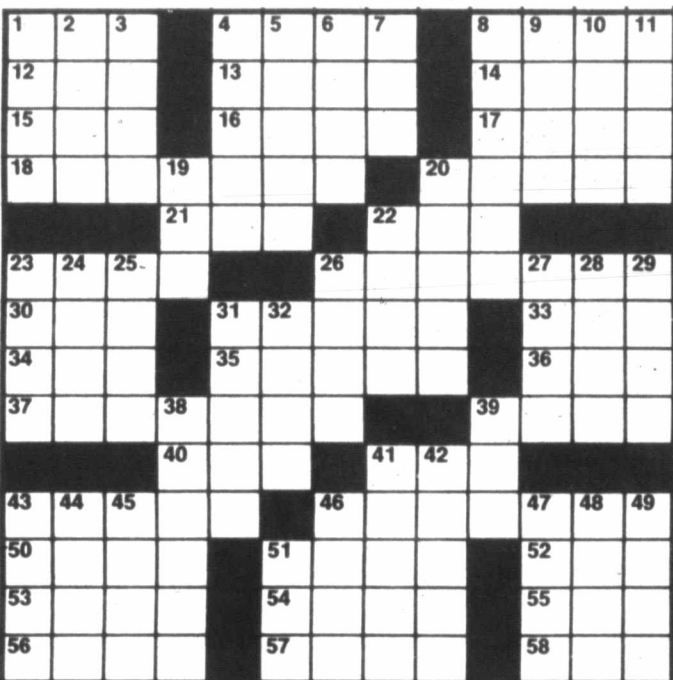
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By Jerry Bittle

Astro-Graph

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PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A commercial endeavor that you have been contemplating should not be left to gather dust any longer. Properly handled, this might provide you with that second source of income you've been desiring. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Avail yourself of any opportunities today to go places where you can establish fresh contacts. You may be introduced to someone who could be important to your future.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Something may occur at this time that will enable you to reap benefits disproportionate to your involvement in an endeavor. Lady Luck will have a hand in the dispersal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You could be luckier than usual today where new ventures are concerned, provided they are not too avant-garde or bizarre. Steer a middle course.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You are presently in a cycle where you might do things on a scale bigger than the one to which you're accustomed. Don't be intimidated by big shots or big numbers.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You shouldn't have too much trouble promoting support for a matter you believe in today. Others will be interested for the same reasons you are, and you'll effectively make your case.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You should be able to take charge of an important arrangement currently being mismanaged by someone you like today. You'll do a good job.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) One of the principle reasons you'll be warmly received by contemporaries today is your ability to make them think that the sound suggestions you supply are actually authored by them.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your luck is focused in ways that could help you achieve meaningful objectives today. Tune into the trend and do something worthwhile.

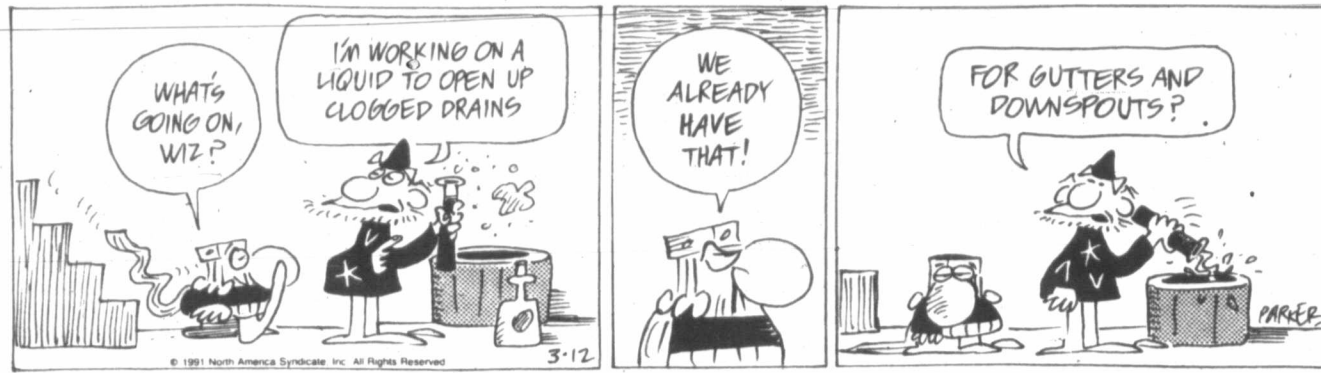
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You should be extremely charismatic today in involvements that have social overtones. Don't be surprised when others cluster around you like months to a flame.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Even though your goals may not be readily apparent to associates today, the results you achieve will be. Keep in mind, in the final analysis, it is the bottom line that counts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If there is a written agreement you've been wanting to get signed, this is a good day to push for the "John Hancock." It should work out well for all parties concerned.

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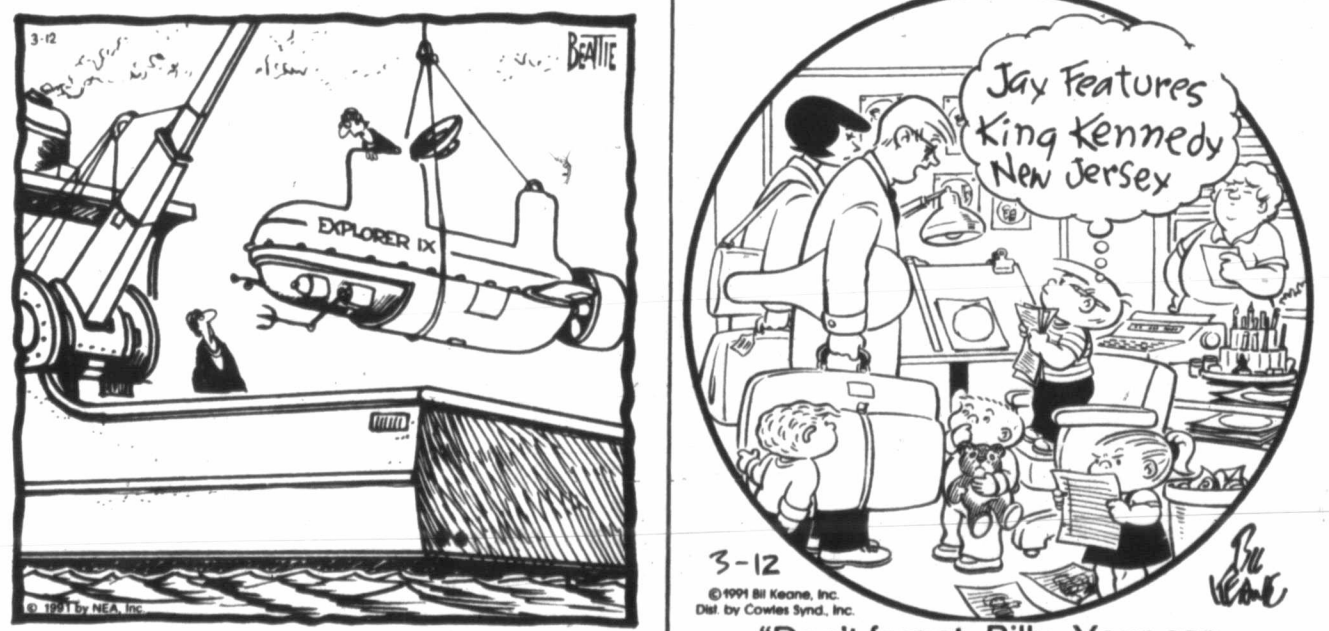


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Sports

Arkansas draws Georgia State as tourney foe

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Arkansas enters the NCAA tournament with a No. 1 seed and a tip of the hat to Texas.

On March 3, Texas and Tom Penders beat Arkansas and Nolan Richardson 99-86 in Austin.

During the following week, Arkansas beat Texas A&M, Rice and Texas by 47, 29 and 31 in the Southwest Conference tournament.

"Tom's team beating us down in Texas gave me the opportunity to get our team refocused," Richardson said Monday. "After the Vegas game, we were never the same basketball team. The greatest thing that ever happened was to get refocused."

"We know now we can't just go out and play basketball and expect to win. That spanking came at the right time. Like I tell our kids, all sickness is not death."

Arkansas (31-3) opens the NCAA tournament against Georgia State (16-14) on Friday at Atlanta. Asked what he knows about Georgia State, Richardson said, "absolutely nothing."

"I don't really spend a lot of time harping on what other teams do," he said. "I just want to know who their main players and what kind of style they play."

Richardson used words like focused and intensity when asked about the way the Razorbacks played in the SWC tournament.

The performance, he said, left no doubt in the players' minds that they are as good a basketball team as they want to be.

"I feel very comfortable going into the NCAA tournament with that kind of attitude," he said.

On Sunday, Arkansas led 55-49 at halftime and outscored the Longhorns 21-2 in the first 3:59 of the second half.

"It was kinda like getting hit by a truck," Penders said.

The Longhorns are the No. 5 seed in the Midwest and Penders made it clear that he is happy Texas is not in the same bracket as Arkansas. Last year, the Razorbacks beat Texas to reach the Final Four.

There was much ado about Richardson pushing the Razorbacks hard after the Texas loss, but he said that was just his style and that the players are accustomed to it.

He said he did not increase the players' workload. He said he was sick the previous week and that "any time the cat's away, the mice will play."

"I had to get us back to that kind of situation coming into the tournament," he said. "We're an aggressive basketball team. The only way to get mental toughness is hard practices."

Montana goes against No. 1 Runnin' Rebels

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — Within minutes after the NCAA tournament pairings were announced, Montana basketball coach Stew Morrill's telephone started ringing. And ringing. And ringing.

"This is the craziest I've seen it in 13 years," Montana sports information director Dave Guffey said. "I thought the I-AA football playoffs (in 1989) were bad, but ... it's no contest."

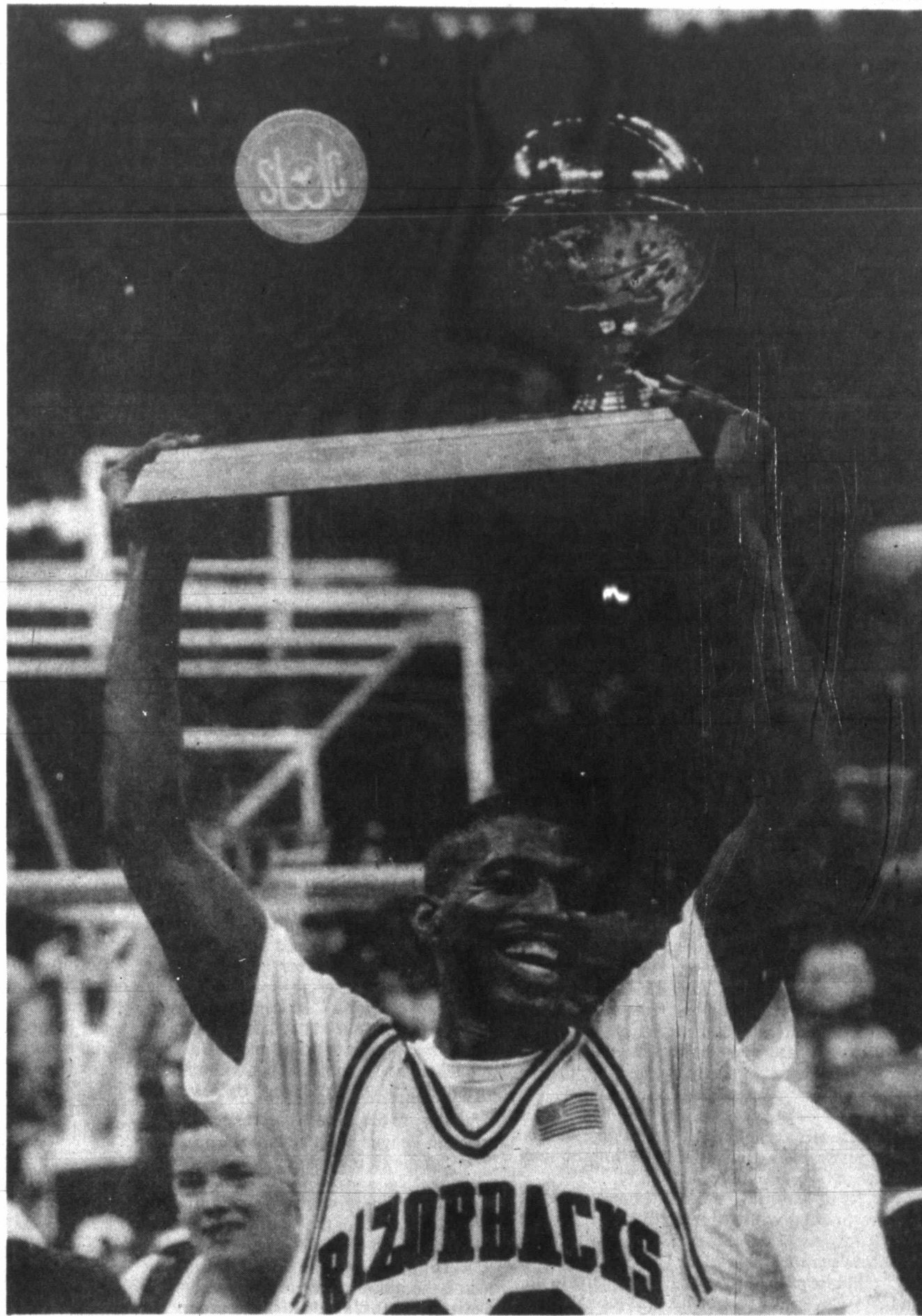
Montana, champion of the Big Sky Conference, will play its first-round game against No. 1 UNLV — arguably one of the best college teams ever to play the game.

Does Montana have a chance? Probably not. Are the Grizzlies enjoying their moment of fame? You bet.

"It didn't cross my mind at first," Montana center Daren Engellant said of the crush of media attention.

"The game crossed my mind first. But all the hype and stuff that comes with it, that's kind of fun. The exposure gives us national attention. We can just have fun with it."

Morrill said shortly after the first-round pairings were announced Sunday evening, his home telephone started ringing with calls from reporters. Guffey said the calls continued at a frenzied pace Monday.



Arkansas' Clyde Fletcher holds up the Southwest Conference Post-Season Classic tournament championship trophy after the Razorbacks defeated Texas in the finals. Arkansas enters the NCAA tourney with a No. 1 seed.

Overachievers set to battle in East Regionals

By WILLIAM KATES
AP Sports Writer

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Fifteenth-seeded Richmond has made a history of sneaking up on ranked teams in the NCAA tournament. But this year they find themselves paired against another overachiever — No. 7 Syracuse.

Syracuse (26-5), the East Region's No. 2 seed, meets Richmond (21-9) Thursday night at College Park, Md.

"We know all about being the underdog. That's how we started the season," said Syracuse sophomore point guard Michael Edwards.

The Orangemen won the Big East regular season title by two games and were staring at a No. 1 regional seed until they were stunned by Villanova 70-68 in the quarterfinals of the conference tournament. Quite an accomplishment for a team that the league's coaches picked to tie for third in a preseason poll.

After all, they had lost record-setters Derrick Coleman and Stephen Thompson, were starting a freshman at point guard and had a young, thin and unproven bench.

"We've had a few bad minutes, but this team has been consistent. We've skated around our concerns all year. We've gotten by on determination and guts," said coach Jim Boheim.

While underdogs usually have the element of surprise on their side, that won't be true for Richmond, which won 15 of its last 17, including the Colonial Athletic Association tournament, to earn its second straight NCAA tournament berth and fifth appearance overall.

"It's not a new experience for them. They've been there, they understand what it takes. They've won big games in the NCAA tournament in the past so they're not going to be intimidated," said Boheim, whose team is playing in its ninth consecutive NCAA tournament.

"Some teams are happy just to get into the tournament. In Richmond's case, they've been there. I'm sure they fully expect to do well," said Boheim, the Big East coach of the year. "It seems like every year they're upsetting somebody."

Lady Harvesters win Canyon Relays

SNYDER — Pampa's Lady Harvesters edged out Borger to win the Canyon Relays held last weekend.

The Lady Harvesters scored 1311 1/2 points while Borger finished second with 131 points.

"I'm real pleased with the way the girls performed. This is one of the best-known track meets in the state of Texas," said PHS head coach Mike Lopez. "We were real tickled to win it."

The outcome of the meet came right down to the final event, the 1600-meter relay. Borger had to finish higher than sixth to win the meet, but the Lady Bulldogs placed eighth in the relay event. Pampa's 400-meter relayers of Shelly Young, Kristie Jones, Amber Seaton and Patrice Jackson placed third with a time of 4:17.05.

Pampa's other relay teams

dominated the 15-team meet. The 400-meter relay team of Shelly Young, Christa West, Bridgett Mathis and Jamie Jackson came in first with a time of 50.37. The 800-meter relay team (Young, West, Mathis, Jackson) had a winning time of 1:47.05.

Paige Bass in the 1600-meter run added the only other first-place finish for the Lady Harvesters with a winning time of 5:40.09.

Finishing behind Pampa and Borger were Levelland with 70 points, Frenship, 68 1/2 and Snyder, 61.

Pampa placings are listed below:
3200 — 3. Brooke Hamby, 12:48; 4. Paige Bass, 13:07; 6. Emily Brooks, 13:13.

Triple jump — 3. Nikki Ryan, 34-9 1/2.

High jump — 2. Jennifer Bailey, 5-4; 5. Amber Seaton, 5-2.

Long jump — 4. Nikki Ryan, 17-0.

400-meter relay — 1. Shelly Young, Christa West, Bridgett Mathis, Jamie Jackson, 50.37.

800 — 3. Amber Seaton, 2:36.64; 4. Michelle Whitson, 2:36.86.

100 — 4. Jamie Jackson, 13.01; 6. Christa West, 13.47.

800-meter relay — 1. Shelly Young, Christa West, Bridgett Mathis, Jamie Jackson, 1:47.05.

400 — 2. Patrice Jackson, 61.09; 4. Kristie Jones, 63.02.

300 hurdles — 4. Elasha Hanks, 51.83.

200 — 3. Bridgett Mathis, 26.07.

1600 — 1. Paige Bass, 5:40.09; 4. Brooke Hamby, 5:51.07.

1600-meter relay — 3. Shelly Young, Kristie Jones, Amber Seaton, Patrice Jackson, 4:17.05.

Johnson, Augmon lead All-America team

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Larry Johnson was an All-American playing for a national champion last season. There was, however, one more goal to accomplish.

"When I come back next year I'm going to help make Stacey Augmon player of the year," Johnson said after UNLV routed Duke to win the NCAA title.

Augmon isn't player of the year, but he's close as one of five members of the 1991 Associated Press All-America basketball team.

"For me, it really feels good," Johnson said Monday after learning he was a repeater on the honor team.

"I thank God for all the players who play with me and I'm really happy about Stacey."

Thanks in large part to the play of Johnson and Augmon, UNLV accomplished the expected in breathtaking fashion. Heading into the NCAA tournament, the team that was heavily favored to domi-

nate the season is 30-0 and riding a 41-game winning streak.

"It just wasn't me, it was everybody talking to him," Johnson said of Augmon. "He really developed his confidence this year. His 1-on-1 game was always there and we just told him to go out and do it."

Joining the UNLV forwards, both seniors, on the first team were sophomore center Shaquille O'Neal of Louisiana State, junior forward Billy Owens of Syracuse and sophomore guard Kenny Anderson of Georgia Tech.

Johnson and Augmon are the fifth set of teammates to make the All-American team and will be trying to become the second such group to complete a perfect season. In 1976, Scott May and Kent Benson earned All-American accolades while leading Indiana to a 32-0 record and the NCAA title.

May and Benson, in fact, are the last set of teammates to win a national title the same season in which they made the All-America

team.

Bill Walton and Keith (Jamaal) Wilkes were named the first team in 1974, the season which saw the end of UCLA's 88-game winning streak and the run of seven straight national titles.

And in 1984, Michael Jordan and Sam Perkins were unable to get North Carolina beyond the second round of the tournament in a bid to regain the trophy they'd helped the Tar Heels win in 1982.

Johnson, the 39th player to repeat as an All-American, averaged 22.9 points and 11 rebounds while shooting 67 percent from the field. Augmon averaged 17.2 points while hitting 59 percent of his shots and also had 7.4 rebounds, 3.4 assists and 2.3 steals a game.

The numbers for the UNLV forwards are even more impressive because they seldom played a full game as the Rebels outscored the opposition by almost 30 points a game.

Sports Scene

Basketball

Both the Pampa High boys' and girls' basketball teams will be honored with a banquet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday night in the First Baptist Church.

All players and parents are urged to attend.

Tickets are available at the Pampa High Athletic Office, 101 Randy Matson Avenue, or through Susan Finney, 669-6786.

Tickets should be purchased before Wednesday morning.

Golf

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — Some of the best shots at the Honda Classic were made after the tournament. That's when the players fired insults at the condition of the TPC at Eagle Trace course.

"Carnival golf," is what Greg Norman called it.

"Unplayable," said Nick Price.

The main complaint about the course, site of the Honda Classic, is the small, hard greens with trouble in front. That's prevents the run-up shot desirable — even necessary — in windy conditions.

Figure skating

MUNICH, Germany (AP) — Calla Urbanski's got a tale to tell the guys when she's serving drinks at "Kid Shelleen's" in Wilmington, Del.

It's about how she was the oldest skater at this year's World Figure Skating Championships with a skater named Rocky who paves roads.

Urbanski and Rocky Marval start their competition in the pairs event tonight after finishing second in the U.S. Nationals last month.

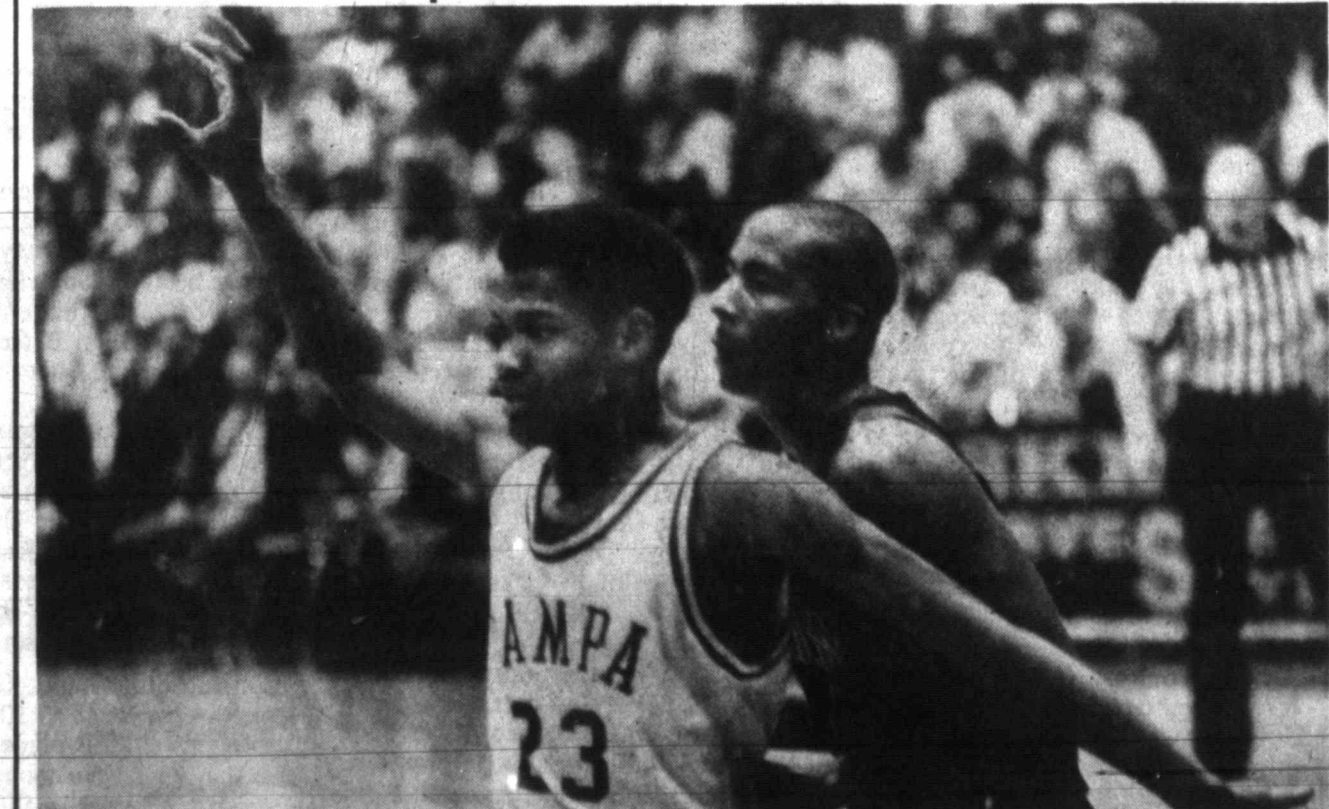
Urbanski turns 31 in June.

"I don't think about it. Age is no difference at all," Urbanski said. "In this sport, age is the story. In other sports, it isn't. In football and baseball. In judo there's a woman who won the U. S. championship at 35 and it's no big deal."

Urbanski, originally from Chicago, tends bar and is a waitress at a restaurant while training in Delaware.

She had her first competition almost 25 years ago. But she went through five different partners and a lot more competitions before finally gaining a berth on the national team.

All-tournament pick



Pampa junior Jeff Young (23), a 6-2 post player, was named to the all-tournament team at the UIL boys' state basketball tournament held last week in Austin. Young had 24 points, six rebounds, two assists, two blocked shots and a steal in Pampa's 80-77 triple-overtime loss to San Antonio Alamo Heights in the Class 4A semi-finals. Young, who hit 10 of 13 field goal attempts, fouled out with 1:37 remaining in the third overtime.

Bucks bury Pistons

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Dale Ellis came off the bench to score 30 points, including 11 in the fourth quarter, leading the Milwaukee Bucks to a 96-85 victory over the struggling Detroit Pistons on Monday night.

Milwaukee moved within one game of the second-place Pistons in the Central Division. Detroit has now lost four of five games at home.

Milwaukee led by four points, 71-67, entering the fourth quarter, then broke the game open with a 10-point run midway through the period to take a 85-71 lead.

Detroit scored just four points in an eight-minute stretch of the final period, letting the Bucks move out to a 19-point lead, 94-75, before a late Piston rally that narrowed the final margin.

Danny Schayes added 22 points for the Bucks. Joe Dumars scored 17 points for Detroit and Vinnie Johnson added 16.

Schayes, averaging just 10.5 points per game, scored 11 just in the first quarter, but he was matched by Dumars, and Detroit led 22-20 at the end of 12 minutes.

Ellis started the second quarter by scoring 10 points in the first 2:08, as the Bucks led by as many as 10 points.



(AP Laserphoto)

Orioles' pitcher Jim Palmer signs autographs after his first spring training start Monday against the Red Sox.

O's Palmer falters against Boston in comeback debut

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

BRADENTON, Fla. (AP) — The fastballs weren't so fast, the curves weren't cutting, the control wasn't crisp. Jim Palmer did not fool the Boston batters or himself. Even for a first start in the spring, this wasn't good. Palmer, working on seven years' rest, looked like a batting practice pitcher Monday in his comeback debut for Baltimore. He gave up two runs on five hits, a walk and a balk, and also aggravated a hamstring problem.

At 45, Palmer didn't think he would pitch like a Hall of Famer right away. But this was ugly — of his 38 pitches, only 19 were strikes, just one on a swing-and-miss. His fastball barely reached 75 mph and the Red Sox hit most everything hard.

"I was disappointed. I expected more from myself. I would like to have done better," Palmer said. "But I think it would be premature to quit now. If I did, I still wouldn't know if I could do it."

Orioles manager Frank Robinson said Palmer will remain in the spring training rotation.

"I'll put him into his next start, whenever it is scheduled, unless he tells me he can't go out there," Robinson said. "I think it was a good outing for a guy who hasn't been out there."

"I'm not going to worry about judging him yet. I've said it takes a couple of starts before you can tell anything," he said. "By the third start in the spring, you should start showing some-

thing." Palmer, however, did not show any improvement over last week's intrasquad game, in which Baltimore batters teed off. Plus, this time he hurt his hamstring, to go along with recent Achilles tendon trouble.

"I felt something pop. It felt like Rice Krispies," he said. "It's going to inhibit me. I'm not worried about the performance as much as I am about being able to perform."

"I just know I have to pitch better than I did to be effective," he said. "It doesn't matter if you're 45 or 25 — if you don't have command, you're not going to be successful."

Palmer, who retired in 1984, is trying to become the first baseball Hall of Famer to resume playing. He did not get the decision in the 3-2 victory over Boston.

At least Palmer looked like his old self, the way he did when he won the last game Sandy Koufax ever pitched, nearly a quarter-century ago. Palmer wore his familiar No. 22, which the Orioles took out of retirement, and showed off his usual high leg kick. He even argued briefly with an umpire about a close call.

"He threw great for a Hall of Famer," said Wade Boggs, who singled twice.

"It isn't often you get to face a guy seven years in-between at bats," Boggs said. "I'm sure it's still early for him. If you take seven years off and come back and try to be Jim Palmer, it's tough."

Palmer's lone highlight came on his final batter when he retired Mike Greenwell on

a popout with the bases loaded. In his 19-year career with the Orioles, he never gave up a grand slam in the majors, although Johnny Bench hit one against him in the International League and Freddie Patek connected in an exhibition game.

Palmer, the Orioles' all-time leader with 268 victories, struggled a day after Mike Flanagan pitched three scoreless innings for Baltimore. Flanagan also is attempting a comeback with his former team, at age 39.

The anticipation of seeing Palmer pitch drew a sellout crowd of 4,955 inside McKechie Field and left ticket scalpers on the outside.

The Red Sox brought nearly all of their regulars on the two-hour trip from Winter Haven as several Boston players wanted to witness the event.

"I remember watching him as I grew up," said rookie shortstop Tim Lincecum, who was born in 1967, more than a year after Palmer pitched his first game in the majors.

The game was the first of the Orioles' spring to be televised back to Baltimore. But the cable company showing it had as much trouble as Palmer — because of technical problems, viewers only saw Palmer pitch to one batter.

Had they been able to see the Orioles' main play-by-play announcer pitch more, they would've watched Boggs and Greenwell single and Jody Reed and Jack Clark line out in the first inning.

Palmer also was called for a balk for not stopping in the set position.

Rangers' Ryan one-hits Mariners for five innings

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — There are few milestones left for Texas Rangers pitcher Nolan Ryan to overturn. But he still raises eyebrows.

At age 44, he's already talking about pitching in 1992. And he proved Sunday he's still a flame-thrower in his first spring outing with five innings of one-hit pitching.

On Monday, Ryan was back in the weight room for the regular two-hour workout that leaves younger players envious.

"I tried to keep up with him for a day when I was a rookie and I wasn't the same for a week," fellow pitcher Charlie Kerfeld said. "The man is something else."

Ryan had a 7-4 record last season when he pitched with an extra day of rest. The Rangers hope to give him ample time between starts this season.

House says he has some convincing to do. "That's just part of his makeup. He does not give in to age," House said. "But I think when he realizes it's something that will help his performance and not hinder it, he'll be for it."

Ryan expects to take his place in the Rangers' otherwise youthful starting rotation once again on opening day, and he's

considering pitching another season when his contract expires after this season. "I'm not opposed to the rest," Ryan said. "They've done it so that it doesn't interfere with anyone else's schedule."

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White Sox edge past Pirates, 2-1

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Five Chicago pitchers shut out the Pittsburgh Pirates for eight innings before Bobby Thigpen escaped a ninth-inning jam as the White Sox held on for a 2-1 victory Monday night.

The White Sox scored twice off Roger Mason in fourth inning with four consecutive two-out hits. Lance Johnson stretched a single into a double but left the game with a bruised left calf. Matt Merullo and Scott Fletcher followed with RBI singles.

Ozzie Guillen singled, but Merullo was thrown out at the plate by center fielder Andy Van Slyke.

Adam Peterson, Wilson Alvarez, winner Grady Hall, Greg Perschke and Steve Rosenberg held the Pirates, who lost their third straight game, to five hits and two walks through eight innings.

But Bobby Bonilla and Barry Bonds greeted Thigpen, who saved 57 games last year, with back-to-back singles. Bonilla was thrown out trying to go to third.

Thigpen, the major-league save record holder, walked Curtis Wilkerson before getting Orlando Merced to fly out. Don Slaught reached on an infield single to third, and Robin Ventura's throwing error allowed Bonds to score and Wilkerson reach third. Ty Gainey then hit into a game-ending force out.

Steelers' Webster retires after 17-year NFL career

By DOUG TUCKER
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — "I am what I am," said Mike Webster. Then he corrected himself.

"Or rather, I was what I was."

Seventeen years after an undersized, middle-round draft choice reported to the Pittsburgh Steelers, people now must get used to speaking of the great career of Mike Webster in the past tense.

The perennial Pro Bowl center and a mainstay on Pittsburgh's four Super Bowl champions, retired Monday, one week before his 39th birthday.

"It's been 17 wonderful years, but one thing you learn in this game is reality," said Webster, who spent the past two years with the Kansas City Chiefs. "It's time."

Webster's immediate plans are uncertain. But Carl Peterson, president and general manager of the Chiefs, said the assistant coaching position that Webster originally was offered in 1989 is still open.

"I'm hopeful these people are going to stay with the Kansas City Chiefs in the future," Peterson said of Webster and his wife Pam, who appeared with her husband at a news conference. "I stand in awe of this

guy. "If anybody has played that position better in the history of the National Football League, I don't know who has. This is truly a unique, special human being. His maturity and leadership are the best. The absolute best."

Webster, who spent this season grooming rookie Tim Grunhard to succeed him, indicated his plans are uncertain. But he will most likely remain in football.

"It may work out that we'll just stay here," he said. "We're pretty close to making a decision. We just want to take some time and make sure it's the right one."

Webster, who played in 19 postseason games for the Steelers, was named offensive captain his last nine years in Pittsburgh. Always known as a hard worker dedicated to staying fit, Webster played in nine Pro Bowls, more than any other player but Lawrence Taylor, who last season appeared in his 10th.

"The thing I will cherish the most about my 17 years in the National Football League is the association and the time spent with one another," he said. "You're striving so very hard and everybody's working together for a common goal, to be the best. Those are the

things that mean more than anything else, the people. And I've been so lucky to be surrounded by so many good people."

Webster joined the Steelers as a fifth-round draft choice out of Wisconsin in 1974, the 125th player selected. A backup for two years, he then held down the center position for Pittsburgh the next 13 seasons as the Steeler teams of the 1970s took their place among the sport's greatest dynasties.

Always in top condition at 6-foot-2, 260 pounds, he was called "Iron Mike" for playing in 177 consecutive regular season games before a dislocated elbow sidelined him for four games at the start of the 1986 season.

He was named the center last year on the Super Bowl's 25th anniversary team. Webster played in 245 games, tying former Atlanta center Jeff Van Note for fifth-most by an NFL player and the most ever by an NFL center.

Former Steeler teammates Jack Ham, Joe Greene, Mel Blount, Terry Bradshaw, Franco Harris and Jack Lambert have already been enshrined in the Hall of Fame. Webster will be eligible in 1996.

"I always felt that the best way to be able to do my best was to just get going and keep going for as long as you could," he said.

Number of free agents signed drops drastically in third year of NFL's Plan B

'Skins May only big-name player to change teams

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

In its third year, the NFL's Plan B has become Plan Z.

As in Zilch.

With 20 days left in the Plan B signing period, the league's 28 teams have signed just six free agents, four by Phoenix. Last year at this time, 57 players had changed teams.

And though there will probably be many more before the April 1 deadline — 100 signed the last week of the 1990 period — the numbers won't approach the first two years, when 413 of 1,110 available players changed teams.

"I think teams realize that people are what they are — the 38th, 39th or 40th players on someone else's team," says New York Jets general manager Dick Steinberg, who signed 10 Plan B free agents in 1990 and none this year. "That makes them not very different from the 38th, 39th and 40th player on your team."

Plan B began in 1989 as part of the NFL's effort to defuse the player's union quest for total free agency. Each

team can protect 37 players with the rest free to peddle their talents anywhere.

This year, however, the buyers seem warier.

The only "name" free agent to move so far is 31-year-old Mark May, one of Washington's "Hogs." The offensive lineman signed with San Diego and his old general manager Bobby Beathard after missing much of the past two years with injuries.

That's typical of this year's Plan B list, filled with third-string quarterbacks, players coming off serious injuries and high priced veterans but few raw talents — like Martin Mayhew and Fred Stokes, who Washington signed two years ago and they became starters.

The New York Giants, for example, left 33-year-old Otis Anderson, the Super Bowl MVP, unprotected for the third straight year along with tight end Mark Bavaro, who underwent serious knee surgery two weeks ago.

But they did protect 32-year-old center Bart Oates, who has been talking retirement and unknowns like Clint James and Tim Downing.

Teams also are re-evaluating six-figure signing bonuses to marginal players like Caesar Rente (Buffalo, 1989), now in the World League of American Foot-

ball, or long-snapper Frank Winters (Giants, 1989), who was Plan B'd the next year to Kansas City.

"We're trying to be as selective as we possibly can," says Denver coach Dan Reeves. "Our posture is quality more than quantity. We're looking at people we think can not only make our team, but hopefully start."

One trend is exposing kickers — they tend to be interchangeable free agents anyway. Who, for example, could have predicted at this time last season that Matt Bahr would be a playoff and Super Bowl hero for the Giants after a decade with Cleveland?

Bahr is one of 15 kickers unprotected this year, as is Buffalo's Scott Norwood, who missed the 47-yarder that could have won the Super Bowl. So are veterans like the Jets' Pat Leahy; Detroit's Eddie Murray, the Rams' Mike Lansford; Houston's Tony Zendejas; Denver's David Treadwell; Cincinnati's Jim Breech; and the Giants' Raul Allegre, whose injury led to the Bahr's signing.

One kicker has moved — Greg Davis, who kicked for Atlanta last year, is now with Phoenix. The Cards' kicker, Al Del Greco, is unprotected. Leahy, who turns 40 next week, is an example of another trend — he was re-

signed to a new three-year-contract just before Feb. 1, the Plan B deadline and has expressed no interest in going elsewhere.

Then there's Ronnie Lott, San Francisco's All-Pro free safety, who agreed to take a pay cut to stay with the 49ers but has been looking elsewhere.

Finally, teams have discovered that signing only Plan B free agents won't take them to the Super Bowl. But they can help.

The 49ers, for example, plugged in veterans Dave Waymer (from the waiver wire), Matt Millen and Jim Burt to fill minor holes. The Giants picked up special teams whiz Reyna Thompson and tight end Bob Mrosko to fill minor needs and added fill-ins like Everson Walls and Dave Duerson on waivers.

On the other hand, Green Bay went from 4-12 in 1988 to 10-6 in 1989 after signing 20 Plan B players. And the Jets felt they upgraded themselves last season with Plan B, although they won only one more game — 4-12 to 5-11.

"We didn't have anything so we went out and got some players who were at least mediocre," Steinberg says. "This year, we don't feel we're in that same position."

Neither do many other teams.



PUBLIC NOTICE

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DISTRICT 10 DATE OF ISSUANCE: March 8, 1991

RULE 37 CASE NO. 108,377

NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE APPLICANT, TEXACO E & P, INC., P.O. BOX 2700, PAMPA, TX 79065, HAS MADE APPLICATION FOR A SPACING EXCEPTION PERMIT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF RAILROAD COMMISSION STATEWIDE RULE 37 (16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE SECTION 3.37). APPLICANT SEEKS EXCEPTION TO THE DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS REQUIREMENT TO DRILL, WELL NO. 71, J.E. WILLIAMS LEASE, 520 ACRES, SECTION 7, BLOCK 1, ACH&B SURVEY, 11, PANHANDLE GRAY COUNTY FIELD, GRAY COUNTY, BEING 1.5 MILES IN SOUTHEAST DIRECTION FROM LEFORS, TEXAS.

The Location of this well is as follows: 1850' from the north line and 1275' from the east line of lease. 1850' from the north line and 1275' from the east line of survey. Field Rules for the Panhandle Gray County field are 330/467, 40/20/10 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 3200 feet.

Pursuant to the terms of rule 37(h)(2)(A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and proffer the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, J.M. Barnum, Area Manager, at (806) 665-1876. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6718.

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Names in the news

NEW YORK (AP) — Random House has agreed to pay Marlon Brando a seven-figure sum for his autobiography, it was reported today. "The book will finally reveal the man behind the legend," Harry Evans, publisher of Random House, said in The New York Times. The reclusive actor has agreed to complete the book by 1993. The exact amount he will be paid was not disclosed. "(Brando) reached a point in his life when there was something he wanted to say, a point where a number of things had distilled and coalesced," said George England, a friend who acted as Brando's agent during negotiations. Evans said the book will focus on Brando's troubled private life as well as his career. The actor's son, Christian Brando, was recently sentenced to 10 years in prison for shooting to death his half-sister's lover. Brando has starred in such movies as "Last Tango in Paris" and "Apocalypse Now." He won Oscars for "On the Waterfront" and "The Godfather."

1 Card of Thanks

WE wish to thank our neighbors, friends, and anyone who in any way acted in love and sympathy during the recent loss of our beloved Mother, NELLIE GRIF-FIN. Lela and Sam Motley Karen Motley Andrews Allene Colbert

2 Museums

WHITE Deer Land Museum: Pampa, Tuesday thru Sunday 1:30-4 p.m. Special tours by appointment. ALANREED-McLean Area Historical Museum: McLean. Regular museum hours 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Closed Sunday.

3 Personal

MARY Kay Cosmetics, free facials. Supplies and deliveries. Call Dorothy Vaughn 665-5117. BEAUTICONTROL Cosmetics and Skincare. Free color analysis, makeover and deliveries. Director Lynn Allison. 669-3848, 1304 Christine.

5 Special Notices

AL ANON 669-3564, 665-7871. ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS 1425 Alcock, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8 p.m., Monday thru Saturday 12 noon, Sunday 11 a.m. Women's meeting Sunday 4 p.m. 669-0504.

5 Special Notices

COMPLETE service for all model Kirbys. \$12.50 plus parts. Factory authorized Kirby Service Center, 512 S. Cuyler, 669-2990.

PAMPA Lodge #966, Thursday, March 14th, 25 and 50 year pen presentations. Open meeting, all members and guests, light refreshments, 7:30 p.m.

13 Bus. Opportunities

NOW'S your chance-retail Beauty Supply and Salon for sale. High traffic location, excellent investment opportunity. 665-7135, 537-3947. YOUR lawn and garden Mow, till, plow, shred, till clean up. Monday Senior day. 665-9609.

14b Appliance Repair

RENT TO RENT RENT TO OWN We have Rental Furniture and Appliances to suit your needs. Call for estimate. Johnson Home Furnishings 801 W. Francis

14d Carpentry

Ralph Baxter Contractor & Builder Custom Homes or Remodeling 665-8248. ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs. No job too small. Mike Albus, 665-4774, 665-1150.

14e Carpet Service

NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...! It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. Jay Young-organizer. 665-3541. Free estimates.

14f General Services

COX Fence Company, repair old fence or build new. Free estimate. 669-7769. LAKEMEREDITH Aquarium and Wildlife Museum: Frick, hours Tuesday and Sunday 2-5 p.m., 10 a.m. Wednesday thru Saturday, closed Monday.

14g Painting

HUNTER DECORATING 30 years Painting Pampa David Office Joe 665-2903 669-6854 669-7885. HANDY Jim general repair, painting, rototilling, hauling, tree work, yard work. 665-4307.

14h Plowing, Yard Work

JOHNNY'S Mowing Service. Yard scaling \$20 and up, fertilizing. 665-5396. LAWNS mowed \$10 and up. Fence repair-new, decks and painting. Call Ron 665-8976.

14i Ditching

DITCHING 4 inch to 10 inch wide. Harold Baston 665-5892. RECEPTIONIST needed, must have computer and bookkeeping experience and good typing skills. Send resume to Box 98 #Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, TX. 79066-2198.

14j Sewing Machines

WE service all makes and models of sewing machines and vacuum cleaners. Sanders Sewing Center 214 N. Cuyler 665-2383. SIVALL's Inc. now hiring a experienced welder fabricator. Drug test required! Only experienced should apply! 2 3/4 miles West on Hwy 60, Pampa Tx.

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14r Plowing, Yard Work

YARD, 20 years experience flower beds, air conditioner cleaning. 665-7530.

14s Plumbing & Heating

Builders Plumbing Supply 535 S. Cuyler 665-3711. BULLARD SERVICE CO. Plumbing Maintenance and Repair Specialist. Free estimates, 665-8603.

50 Building Supplies

HOUSTON LUMBER CO. 420 W. Foster 669-6881. White House Lumber Co. 101 S. Ballard 669-3291.

59 Guns

CASH loans on guns, 512 S. Cuyler, Pampa, TX. 669-2990.

60 Household Goods

2nd Time Around, 409 W. Brown. Furniture, appliances, tools, baby equipment, etc. Buy, sell, or trade, also bid on estate and moving sales. Call 665-5139. Owner Boydine Bossay.

14u Roofing

Milton David Roofing Contractor 669-2669. ANY type roofing or repairs. Lifetime Panman with over 20 years experience. Quality makes the difference. Ron DeWitt 665-1055.

19 Situations

EXPERIENCED baby sitting in my home. Call 669-1839. WILL do babysitting in my home. Call 665-9435, ask for Jewell.

21 Help Wanted

DRIVERS needed. Must be 18 years old, have good driving record. Apply in person, Pizza Hut Delivery. EARN money reading books! \$30,000 year income potential. Details 1-805-962-8000 19737.

62 Medical Equipment

HEALTHSTAR Medical, Oxygen, Beds, Wheelchairs, rental and Sales. Medicare provider 24 hour service. Free delivery. 1541 N. Hobart, 669-0000.

69 Miscellaneous

THE SUNSHINE FACTORY Tandy Leather Dealer Complete selection in leather-craft, craft supplies. 1313 Alcock, 669-6682.

PACK 'N MAIL Mailing Center

Your one stop shipping spot. 1506 N. Hobart 665-6171. ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

69a Garage Sales

ELISIE'S Flea Market Sale. Final Winter clothing 1/2 price, wooden bench, attaché case, typewriter, Paymaster Checkriter, books, jewelry, glassware, kitchen items, camp stove. 10 a.m. Wednesday through Sunday. 1246 Barnes.

97 Furnished Houses

2 bedroom, partially furnished. \$200. Call 665-5558. SMALL 1 bedroom, 713 Sloan (near swimming pool), \$125. No pets. 665-8925.

98 Unfurnished Houses

1, 2, and 3 bedroom houses for rent. 665-2383. 1 bedroom house, double garage, HUD approved, no waiting period. 665-4842. 2 bedroom and 3 bedroom \$250 to \$350 monthly. Walter Shed, Shed Realty, 665-3761.

69a Garage Sales

J & J Flea Market Sale 123 N. Ward, 665-3375. Open Saturday 9-5, Sunday 10-5. Watkins and Fuller brush products.

70 Musical Instruments

BUY, sell and trade guitars, amps, PA's, band instruments, pianos at Tarpley Music 665-1251.

75 Feeds and Seeds

WHEELER EVANS FEED Special Horse & Mule \$9.50, 100 Bulk oats \$7.50, 100 665-5881, 669-2107

77 Livestock

CUSTOM made saddles. Good used saddles. Tack and accessories. Rocking Chair Saddle Shop, 115 S. Cuyler 665-0346.

80 Pets And Supplies

AKC Toy Poodles or Yorkshire Terriers. Happy, healthy, quality puppies. Call 665-1230. CANINE and feline clipping and grooming, also boarding. Roysse Animal Hospital, 665-3626.

95 Furnished Apartments

HERITAGE APARTMENTS Furnished Office 669-6854 665-2903 669-7885. ROOMS for gentlemen. Showers, clean, quiet. \$35. a week. Davis Hotel, 1161/2 W. Foster. 669-9115, or 669-9137.

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102 Business Rental Prop.

Great Location 2121 Hobart. Call Joe at 665-2336, or 665-2832.

103 Homes For Sale

PRICE T. SMITH INC. 665-5158 Custom Homes-Remodels Complete Design Service. 1002 N. Hobart 665-3761.

104 Lots

FRASHER Acres East-1 or more acres. Paved street, utilities. Balch Real Estate, 665-8075.

106 Commercial Property

BUILDING for sale or rent. Can be used as store, cafe or warehouse. Good location. Call 669-2776.

110 Out Of Town Prop.

3 bedroom house, 1 bath. Small trailer court with 5 spaces. 806-826-6323.

112 Motorcycles

1990 Yamaha 200cc 4 wheeler, \$2100. 1985 Yamaha 200cc 4 wheeler, \$1800. Call 669-7663 after 5 p.m.

121 Trucks For Sale

1979 GMC 1/2 ton pickup. See at 510 Roberts.

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1984 Chevette, approximately 54,000 miles. Good car, 1 owner. Low mileage. 665-5436.

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103 Homes For Sale

HOMETOWN REALTY 665-4963 665-3875. BOBBIE NISBET REALTOR 665-7037...665-2946

104 Lots

1610 E. Harvester, 3 Bedroom, 1 3/4 Bath, Living, Dining, Den, Double Garage, Sprinkler System, New Neutral Carpet throughout, Country Club Heights addition. \$47,000 - 669-7371 leave message.

106 Commercial Property

2 bedroom home, only \$10,000. Steel siding, new storm windows, floor furnace, water pipes, wiring, fenced, storage house. 918 E. Browning, 665-6852.

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2125 Lynn, 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, fireplace, double garage, by owner. 665-8350, 665-8801.

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116 Mobile Homes

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669-2522 Quentin Williams REALTORS Reagy-Edwards Inc. 'Selling Pampa Since 1952' OFFICE: 6

Passing the time



(AP Laserphoto)

A Kuwait City youngster plays with his nation's flag in the ornate doorway of his home in the city's Jahra neighborhood Monday. Life has begun to settle into a normal routine less than two weeks after Kuwait's liberation from the Iraqi occupation.

Overall auto fuel efficiency up slightly, but critics not satisfied

WASHINGTON (AP) — The average fuel efficiency of new cars and light trucks should improve this year by just one-tenth of a mile per gallon, according to a government report made public on Monday by a consumer organization Monday.

The Department of Transportation report estimates the average mileage for the 1991 light vehicle fleet, including domestic and foreign models, at 25.5 miles per gallon — up from 25.4 mpg in the 1990 model year.

"Unless Congress takes immediate, decisive action to alter current trends and set higher standards, we will continue to lose the gains realized over the past 15 years in auto fuel efficiency," said Joan Claybrook, president of Public Citizen, which made public the interim government report.

A final number for 1991 won't be available until the 1991 model year ends this fall.

Federal law requires new-car fleets — all the cars a company manufactures in a given year — to average 27.5 miles per gallon or better. Light truck fleets, which include pickups and minivans, are required to average at least 20.2 mpg.

According to the Transportation Department report, the passenger car average for 1991 is expected to be 28.2 mpg, up from 28.1 in 1990. The domestic car fleet is expected to improve from 26.9 mpg to 27.3, while the import average is projected to fall from 29.9 to 29.7.

For light trucks, such as pickups and minivans, the 1991 average is projected at 21.2 mpg, up from 20.8 in 1990. The domestic average is

expected to rise from 20.3 to 20.9 but the import average is expected to fall from 23 to 22.9.

The first government standards were imposed in the mid-1970s. Overall mileage improved steadily to a peak of 26.2 in 1987, but has dropped off since.

Congress is debating whether to raise the standards. A bill sponsored by Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., would require automakers to improve their overall mileage 40 percent within a decade. For most companies, it would require an average of about 40 mpg.

Public Citizen wants an across-the-board minimum of 45 mpg for cars by the year 2000. The group said this year's expected mileage improvement is so minuscule that it represents no change from 1990 and does nothing to decrease U.S. oil consumption.

"If the U.S. is to avoid another oil war in the Middle East, Detroit must do its part for national security," said Robert Lockhart, a Public Citizen energy analyst.

The automobile industry says complying with Bryan's legislation would force drastic cutbacks in the manufacture and sale of all but the smallest cars. Vehicles that exceed even the standard sought by Public Citizen are already in the showrooms, but few are selling — despite advertising campaigns and profit-shrinking rebate offers, the industry contends.

"They're among the cheapest cars out there, but the public generally doesn't want to buy them because they don't meet their needs," said Anne Carlson of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association.

U.S., British strike deal on Heathrow Airport rights

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — American and British negotiators reached agreement Monday on arrangements to permit two strong U.S. airlines, United and American, to replace two weaker rivals, Pan Am and TWA, at London's Heathrow Airport.

Pan Am and TWA will be paid a combined \$735 million for giving up the prized London routes.

The agreement, which came after months of contentious bargaining, also gives British airlines greater access to lucrative U.S. markets.

Transportation Secretary Samuel K. Skinner said the deal also paves the way for a new round of talks on expanding the British and U.S. air travel markets.

He said those negotiations could begin within a month, and could result in a significant easing of restrictions on air travel between the two countries.

Under the present agreement, the British will allow the strapped Pan American World Airways

and Trans World Airlines to sell their London routes to United Airlines and American Airlines for \$290 million and \$445 million respectively.

The British had initially objected to the transfer of the Heathrow landing rights, saying it was prohibited by an air travel treaty between the two nations.

Skinner had earlier expressed frustration over the British position, calling London's negotiators "recalcitrant."

"We can now put this chapter behind us and move forward into what should be wonderful opportunities for both countries and for consumers of both countries," Skinner said at a news conference.

He said the agreement also represents "a particularly important step for Pan American and its ability to preserve financial viability."

A Pan Am spokesman, Jeff Kriendler, said the deal will be crucial to Pan Am's chances for financial recovery. The airline is now under protection from creditors in Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code.

Pan Am will have to use at least \$100 million of the \$290 million and probably more to repay

an emergency loan that it was unable to pay back by a deadline on Friday.

Stephen M. Wolf, United's chairman and president, said that after arrangements are complete the airline will offer service to Heathrow from New York, Washington, D.C., San Francisco, Los Angeles and Seattle.

The transfer of Pan Am's London routes to United was approved by the Transportation Department on Feb. 6. But approval was conditioned on the granting of rights for United to serve Heathrow rather than Gatwick or other British airports.

TWA's application to transfer its routes to London to American is now pending before the Transportation and Justice departments. That sale also hinged on the granting of landing rights at Heathrow.

Heathrow is the most desirable air destination in England, because it is located within the London metropolitan area and offers better connections for flights to other European cities than Gatwick Airport, farther outside London, where the British had initially wanted American and United to fly.

Iraq says it will turn over remains of 14 allied soldiers

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RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Iraq said Monday it would turn over the remains of 14 allied military personnel killed in Operation Desert Storm to the Red Cross.

U.S. military officials, who confirmed the plan, prepared to receive the bodies at a military mortuary at the Dhahran air base today. But they didn't know whether any of the soldiers were American.

"Initial identifications will be attempted there, and the remains will then be returned to the appropriate country representatives," said

Air Force Lt. Col. Virginia Pribyla. "If any are Americans, they will be sent to Dover, Delaware, for positive identification."

Dover Air Force Base is the main receiving center on the East coast for military dead from overseas.

The return of remains of coalition soldiers recovered by the Iraqis is one of the allies' conditions for a cease-fire in the Gulf War.

Red Cross officials refused to confirm the plan. "We do not wish to raise expectations," said Arthur Mattli.

The U.S. military lists 23 Americans as missing in action, and 14 of those are believed to have been

killed in the crash of an Air Force C-130 off Kuwait. The fate of the other nine, mostly pilots, was not known, but some are believed to have gone down over Iraqi-held territory.

U.S. military officials here refused Monday to comment on a published report that 11 Army Special Forces troops also were missing in action in Iraq, but not acknowledged by the Defense Department.

According to the report, the 11 Green Berets were taking part in clandestine operations when they vanished.

A senior Pentagon military official, speaking on condition he not be named, said he had heard nothing about missing Green Berets, but con-

ceded that "if there was some reason we thought we could get them back, we wouldn't announce it."

In another development, the planned return of 500 Iraqi POWs to their homeland was canceled Monday for "technical reasons," said Red Cross official Pascal Daudin.

The POWs were to have been taken by buses and trucks from the Saudi desert town of Arar 510 miles northwest of here to the Iraqi border or a point beyond.

They were among the estimated 60,000 Iraqis captured by coalition forces during the six-week war, most of them in the ground war of the final four days.

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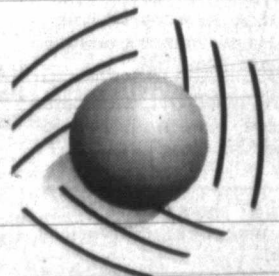
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