









# Lifestyles



## For Horticulture

Joe Van Zandt

### Kentucky coffee tree suitable for area yards

**KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE**

Recently I had the occasion to personally discover a "new" tree that I had not seen before as a large tree. Kentucky Coffee Tree has been on our list of trees recommended for our area, but I had not actually seen one growing.

A couple of weeks ago, as I was walking through some creek bottom areas along Sweetwater Creek, I came upon this nice looking but strange tree with large seed pods on it that were one to two inches wide and four to ten inches long and were rather flat, thick, woody and hard.

The leaves have a little resemblance to locust but yet are different. I had made up my mind after studying the few trees growing in the wild, that it was probably a very good tree. It did not appear to be overly fast growing, nor did the seed appear to cause a lot of new seedlings so as to become a problem.

Anyway, now after finding out what the tree is, I certainly do move it up higher on my list of recommended trees. I might be able to provide one or two small trees to transplant this fall if someone is interested in doing most of the digging-up work. Let me know if you are interested and have a good location for a demonstration tree. I can also furnish you with a full description of the tree.

**SPIDER MITES - TINY PESTS CAUSE BIG PROBLEMS**

Spider mites are tiny but they can cause big problems in home gardens.

These pests prefer tomatoes, beans and peas and do most of their damage in hot, dry weather.

Spider mites, also called red spiders, are only 1/60-inch in length and vary in color from white to green to red.

The tiny pests can build up quickly and completely engulf plants. They lay eggs on the underside of leaves, which hatch in four to five days. A complete life cycle takes three weeks, and as many as 20 overlapping generations can occur in a single year.

Mites spins a thin web which often can be seen on the underside of an infested leaf. They feed by inserting their mouth-parts into the tissue and sucking juice from the plant. While feeding, they inject toxic substances into the plant.

Infestations of spider mites can be identified by tiny white spots on the underside of a leaf. Heavy infestations cause bleaching or yellowing, first along the main leaf veins and then throughout the plant. The plant may also shed buds and small fruit. Spider mites can completely defoliate a plant if not controlled.

Control of spider mites is often difficult and requires from two to four applications of insecticide at five-day intervals. Plants should be checked frequently for spider mites since the pests can build up rapidly.

Insecticides registered for controlling spider mites in gardens are diazinon, kelthane, malathion, ethion and sulfur. However, avoid using sulphur on vine plants as severe plant change could occur.

As always, read and follow label directions on all insecticides.



Front, left, Pampa children Dena Champion and D.J. Champion, are with their newly reconciled parents, Frankie and Darlene Champion.

### Couple reconcile after 13 years apart

By CHERYL BENZANSKIS Lifestyles Editor

When Darlene Nichols married Frankie Champion, she was 15 years old, Frankie was 18. Before marrying, they courted for 29 days in Littlefield, she said.

Of this union, two children, Dena and D.J. Champion, were born. Things didn't work out for the Champions, and before D.J. was born, they had a parting of the ways.

Champion went back to his home in Asheville, Ala. He didn't see the son borne to his wife several months later.

Between the couple there was no communication for 13 years, Darlene explained, until Champion's mother and sister, Francis Champion and Cindy Owens, decided they wanted to see Darlene and the grandchildren. They began to try to make contact with Darlene by contacting anyone named Nichols in the Littlefield area.

Coincidentally, Darlene had a friend named Nichols, no relation, who lived in Littlefield. In the course of the search, Francis Champion called Darlene's friend and left a message for Darlene to call her. Darlene, who meanwhile had moved to Hereford, was visiting Littlefield, and bumped into her friend accidentally. Darlene's friend told her that there was a message for her at home. Darlene got the message from her friend and returned the call to Mrs. Champion.

Darlene began to communicate with Frankie's mother and sister by phone about two months ago, she said. Mrs. Champion and Mrs. Owens visited Darlene in Hereford for four days in July. Darlene said they spent the visit having cookouts, visiting and letting Mrs. Champion and Mrs. Owens get to know Dena

### Class schedules for high school students available

All Pampa High School students may pick up schedules in the school library beginning Tuesday, Aug. 13, and continuing through Thursday, Aug. 15. The library will be open 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., and 1-3 p.m. for schedules to be picked up.

### Classes from 1940's reunite to honor 50th anniversary of new Pampa High School

In honor of the 50th anniversary of the opening of the current Pampa High School building the classes of 1942, 1943, 1944 and 1945 will meet for a two-day celebration on September 13-14.

The class of 1942 will be meeting for their first reunion since graduation. The whereabouts of some classmates is unknown. Contact Juanita Romines, 669-2168, with any information about the following: Harry Abbott, Elmarie Allen, Gret'n Ann Burton, John Browning, N.C. Carter, Truman Cooper, Tom Cox, Sally Dodson, Dorothy Dresher, Ozella Dunn, Del Follis, Iva Jean Harrison, J.T. Heflin, Wayne Hillard, Ruby Faye Johnson, Arnold Johnston, William Jones, John Knox, Mary Ellen LeClaire, Dougless Loveless, Walter Lower, Martha Marek, Jean Nickol, Nelle Roach, Robert Rook, Francis Shier, and Kenneth Spencer.

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### Bits of historical information

- U.S. bombers struck the Italian mainland in 1942 for the first time in World War II.
- The Senate approved U.S. participation in the United Nations in 1945.
- The United States launched Gemini 7 in 1965 with Air Force Lt. Col. Frank Borman and Navy Commander James A. Lovell aboard.
- Jean-Bedel Bokassa, ruler of the Central African Empire, crowned himself emperor in 1977 in a ceremony believed to have cost more than \$100 million. (Bokassa was deposed in 1979.)

## Homemakers' News



Donna Brauchi

### Planning fall wardrobe

With fall just around the corner and retail stores beginning to fill with fall fashions, many consumers may be ready to make some early purchases. To offer some help in planning those purchases, let's look at some fashion predictions.

Gone are the days when children's clothing was distinctly different from adults' clothing. Today, except for teddy bears, ducks, bunnies and other nursery motifs, factors influencing clothing trends are the same, regardless of the size.

Children's fashions will see themes ranging from preppie to prairie to polar bears. Women's fashion is drawing much of its inspiration by looking back to the 60's and 70's. Menswear is a collection of individual looks whose common denominators are comfort and sophistication.

The American and Native American influences will be prevalent as sweater motifs, fringed and beaded trims, blanket stitching, Indian blanket patterns and beaded leather moccasins. Popular, too, are quilted motifs in vivid colors based on Amish patchwork patterns. Boys wear will see patchwork anoraks, leather bomber jackets, lumber-jack plaids, and printed flannel shirts. For little girls, ginghams, plaids, and calicos ranging from smock-style dresses to pinafore jumpers will enhance the prairie appeal.

Plaids are popular across the age groups and will include kilts, pleated skirts, and unmatched tiers of tartan. Plaids will be mixed and matched in jackets and skirts and even sequin adorned for evening.

In children's wear, the polar bear heads a herd of arctic animals including penguins, seals, walrus, husky dogs, and reindeers. Nordic guards and fabrics with an icy color palette show up on sweaters, sweatshirts, and parkas.

Fashions for women will find sixties-revisited looks including pantsuits, A-line dresses, shifts, plastics and vinyl. Surfacing from the Seventies are patchworks, batiks, beads, scarf skirts, and crocheted. However, both decades are happily mixed and often include cat suits, spandex leggings and dresses that are nothing but along jacket over opaque tights and lots of leg. For the young and daring, there are plenty of Madonna-inspired, pop-corn looks in beaded corsetry that is printed, even feathered for "outside" dressing. The season is full of color. Greens and blues, especially turquoise are making it big, as is brown, fuchsia, purple and all the tartan colors. Trans-seasonal fabrics have spawned trans-seasonal colors, with spring-like pastels, often paired to white, showing up for fall.

Watch for skirt with hemlines that slant to one side and poncho shirts created from large rectangles that fall into hankie patterns. There is renewed interest in dirmdls and pleated skirts. They look freshest in short versions, such as a flirty pleated chiffon with a matching wool jacket, or short, full shirts with petticoats for evening dressing. The trench is reinvented over and over again, as a jacket, coat, or dress, in fabrics as diverse as sateen, gabardine, crepe, and polyurethane. The bomber jacket is interpreted in even more fabrics than the trench. Consider wool, suede, bright vinyl, fur trimmed, quilted or sequined.

Looking back and moving forward is fall fashion '91. Determine your look, plan your wardrobe, comparison shop, purchase and/or make your garments and you will have your own fall fashion statement.

For more information on wardrobe selection and care, contact your Gray County Extension Office.

Called "sea canaries" by whalers, gregarious beluga whales in arctic waters announce themselves with trills and chirps.

The ringed seal, the most abundant large mammal in the far north, lives in the region year-round by maintaining a vital network of breathing holes in winter's ice-covered waters.

### Dear Abby



Abigail Van Buren

### Mother-in-law uses boots for more than just walking

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law has never liked me, but time worsens things. She lives in another state, thank God, but she visits often.

Here is my gripe: One week after I gave birth to my second child, Mom was visiting me. I bent over to tie the laces of my firstborn's shoe, and she kicked me in the behind with her pointy-toed Western boot, then she let out a hearty laugh! My husband was right there, and he never said a word to her!

I later told a family friend about this incident and the friend couldn't believe it, so she went to my mother-in-law and asked her, "Well, Mom, I'm hurt, humiliated, and crying. Why, I can't imagine why she (meaning me) would want to tell a lie like that and cause trouble?"

Now Mom is coming to visit us again. I told my husband that if that woman pulls any more stunts like kicking me with her Western boots, I will call 911 and have her evicted.

Don't suggest counseling — it's a farce. My husband lies like his mother, and can double-talk his way out of anything.

HAD IT WITH ROUGHNECKS

DEAR HAD IT: Don't call 911 — that's for emergencies, not for a chronic pain in the behind.

Something must be wrong with your mother-in-law, and I think your husband must have inherited it. Just be grateful that "Mom" doesn't wear spurs.

DEAR ABBY: I have been an avid reader of your column for years. I am an African-American male, 30 years

### Keep butcher block top notch

By POPULAR MECHANICS For AP Special Features

One of the most popular features of today's contemporary kitchen is a solid-wood butcher block cutting surface — usually 1 1/2-inch thick hardwood strips laminated together to form countertop inserts or dedicated cutting tables.

If you use your butcher block surface for cutting, and not purely decorative use, you've noticed that the wood gets scarred, dirty and stained. You can give new life to this surface with a lot less work than you might imagine.

The first step involves scraping the surface using a hook scraper (also called a wood or paint and varnish scraper). This will remove dirt and any old finish remaining on the butcher block. This type of scraper works much faster than sandpaper which tends to clog until bare wood is exposed. For best results, use a scraper with a new, sharp blade.

Hold the scraper firmly with the blade perpendicular to the wood. Press down as you pull the scraper toward you in a long controlled motion. Always scrape with the grain and lift the blade on the return stroke.

After you've scraped the entire surface, go back and work on any dark areas and deep knife cuts. To avoid excessive hollowing, scrape the area around the affected spot as well.

Sanding is the next step. An orbital palm sander, especially one with a dust collection bag, is your best sanding tool because it's lightweight and easy to control. You can also use sandpaper and a sander block — it'll simply take longer and be more work. Begin sanding with 80-grit paper, changing the paper often, especially if it clogs. To prevent marring the adjacent countertop surface and backsplash, use a sanding block near all edges.

When most of the dark areas and cuts are gone, switch to a 120-grit paper, and finish the job. Always sand with the grain.

You'll find that some of the surface blemishes sand out easily, while others, such as deep knife marks that remain after scraping, take time to feather out. As you sand, vacuum the dirt and grit so you can see the true condition of the wood.

You can brighten the whole surface by using a 1-to-1 solution of household bleach and water. For any remaining stained areas, use the bleach full strength, working it into the wood with a toothbrush. Bear in mind that it may be impossible to get out all the dark areas.

When you're finished, wipe the surface with a rag soaked in white vinegar to neutralize the bleach. Wash the area with dish soap and water, let dry and then give the surface a final sanding with 120-grit paper.

Mineral oil is a good, non-toxic finish for the surface that will offer some moisture protection. To apply, set the bottle in hot water for 10 or 15 minutes to thin the oil. Then, use a clean, dry rag to wipe on as many coats as the wood will absorb.

After the last application, wipe away the excess with a paper towel.

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### National Geographic says...

During the depths of winter, sea ice in the Northern Hemisphere covers almost 6 million square miles, about twice the size of the contiguous United States.

Narwhals of the arctic, harvested according to a quota system, have tusks, which are living teeth that usually grow 6 to 7 feet long.

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# Today's Crossword Puzzle

## The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

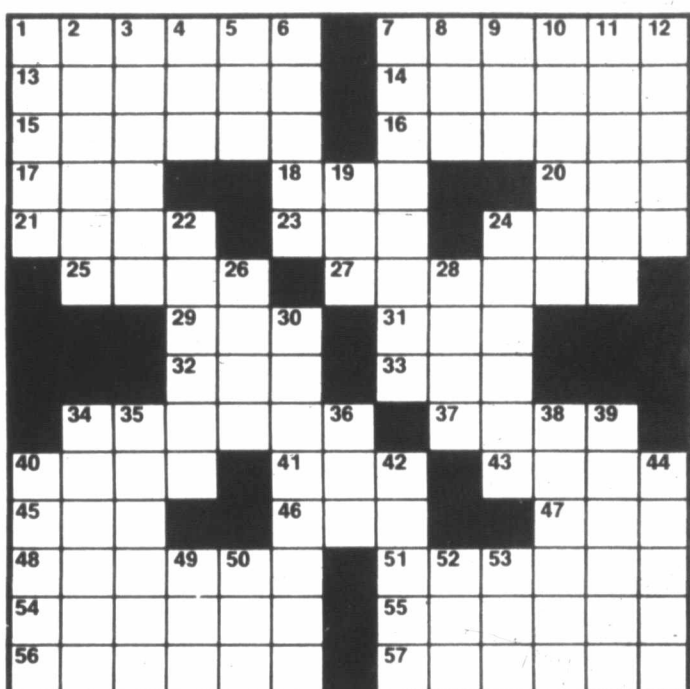
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- DOWN**
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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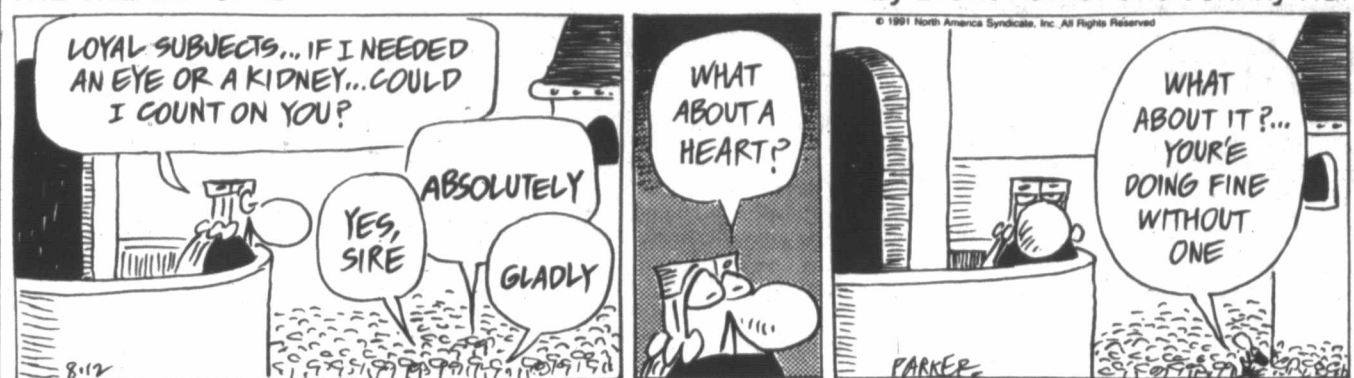


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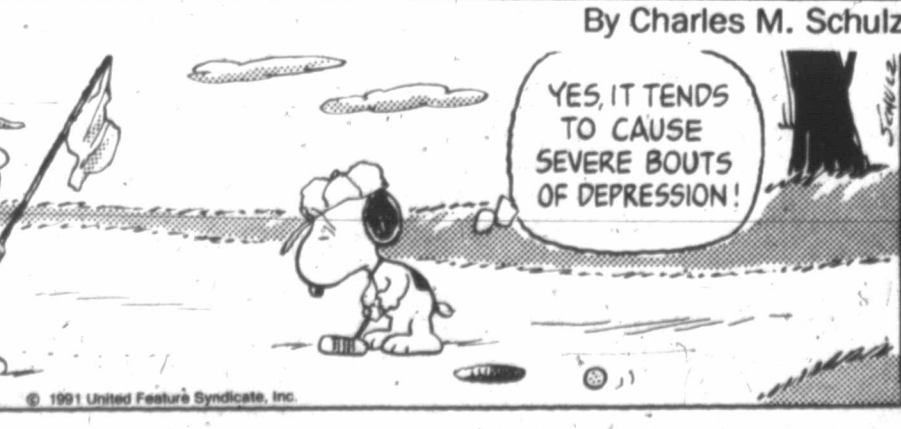
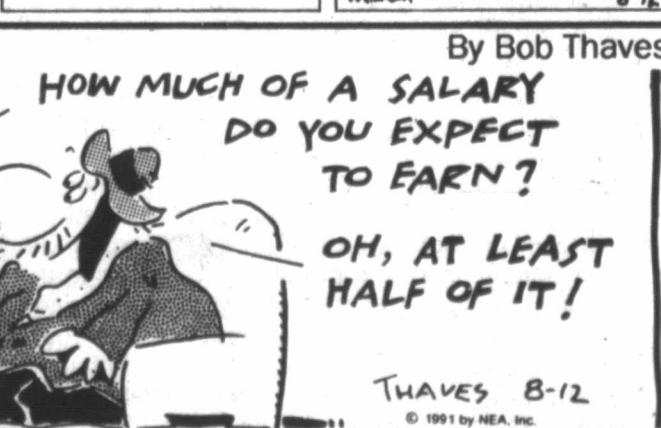
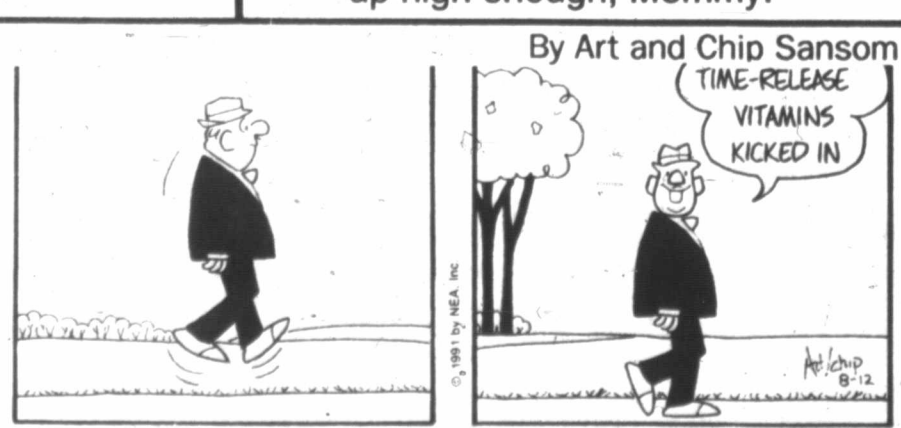
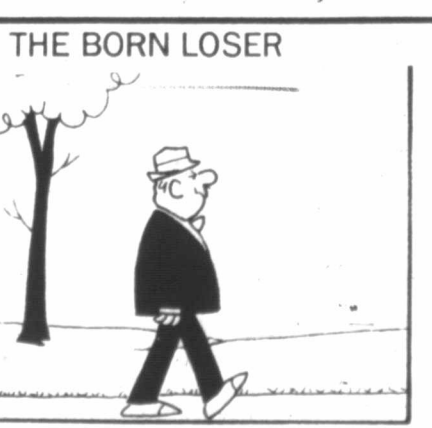
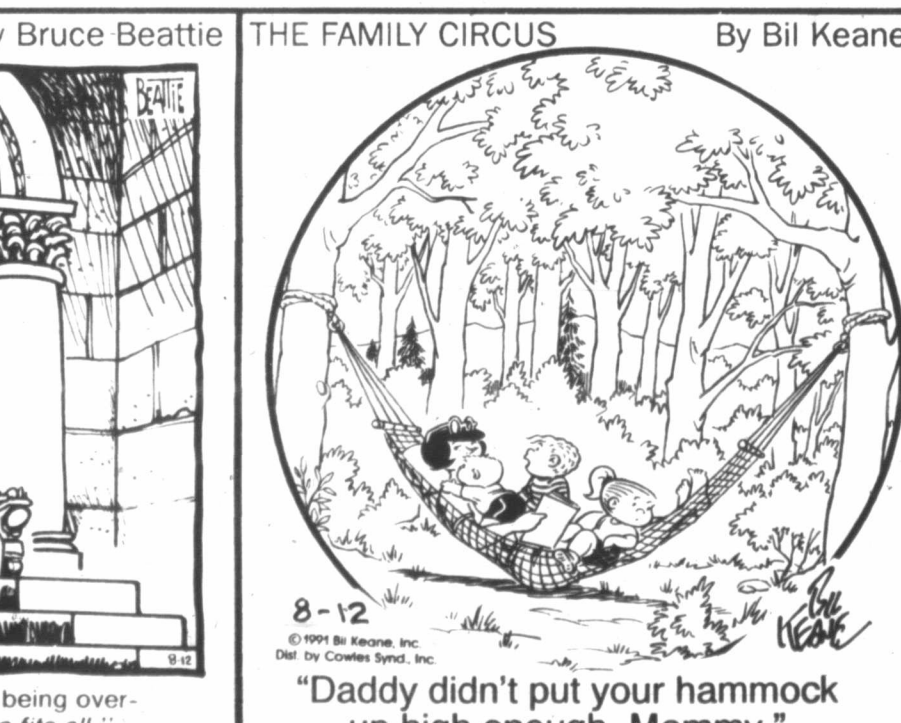
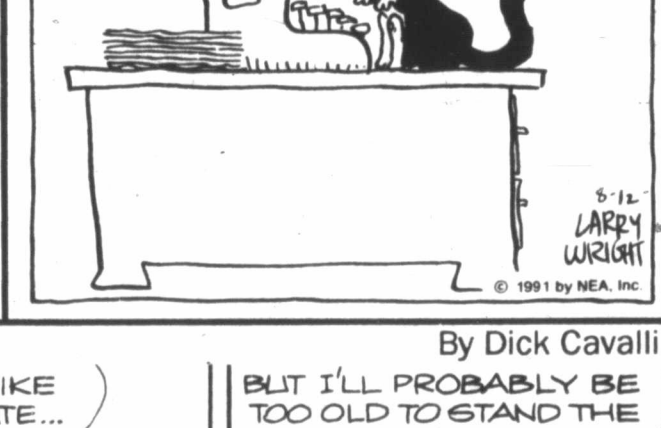
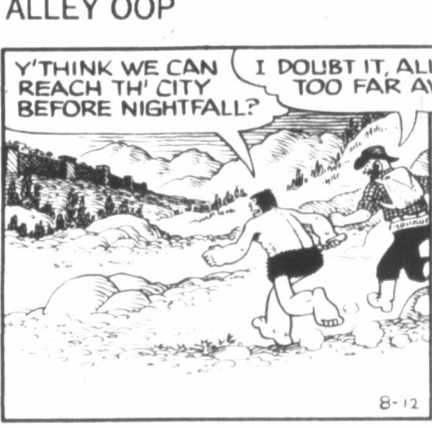
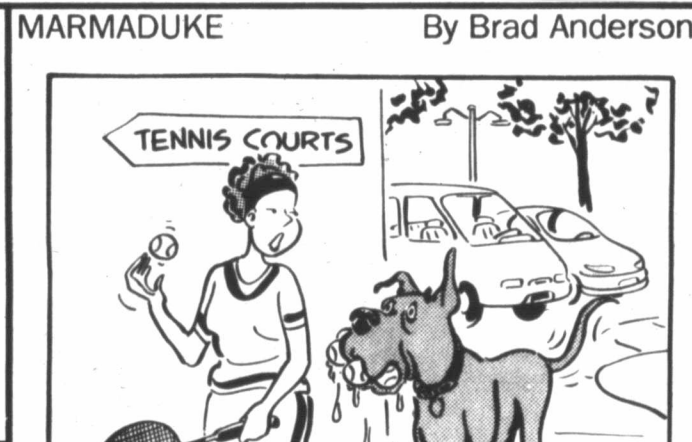
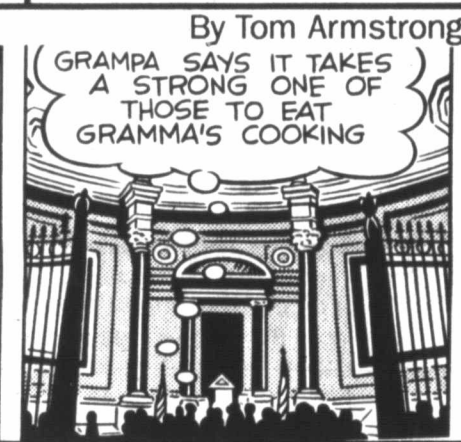
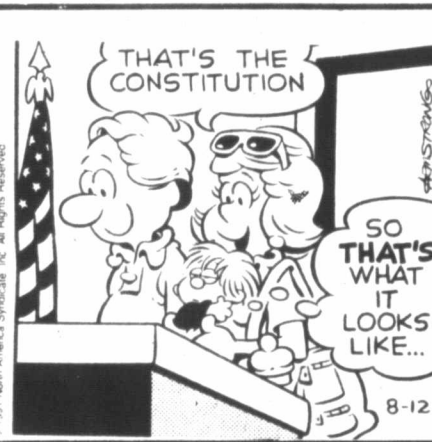
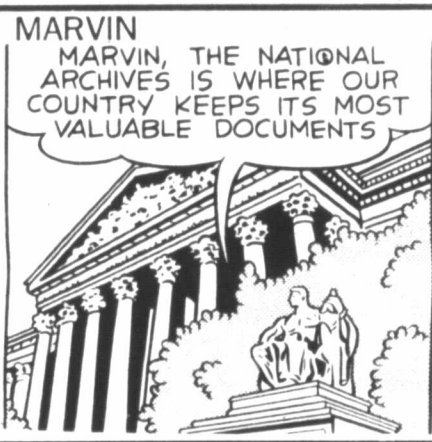
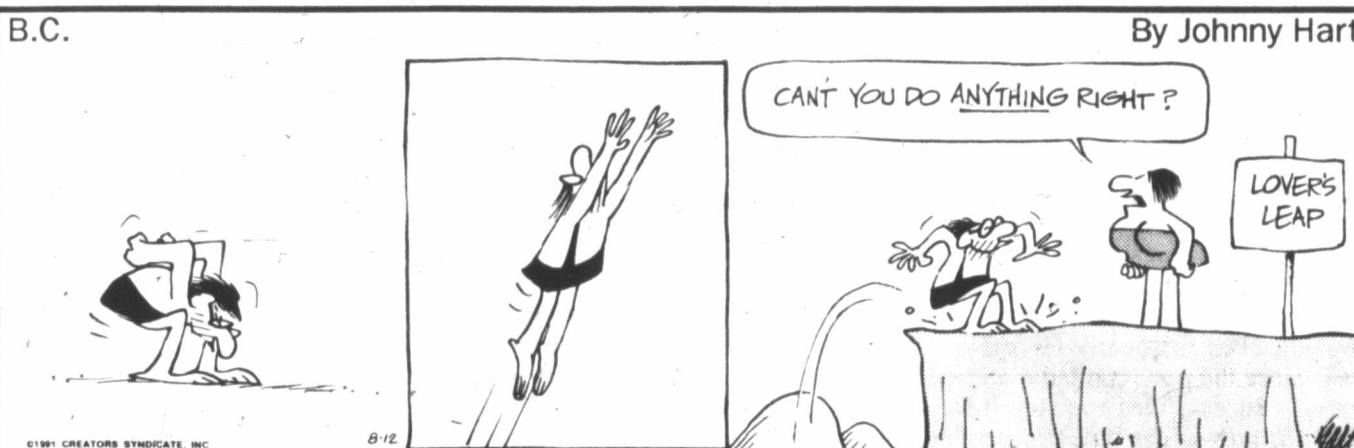
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(AP Laserphoto)

This undated photo, supplied by congregation members, reportedly shows three of the seven slain Buddhist monks as they pray at Wat Pronkunaram near Phoenix, Ariz. In the foreground, third from right, is the high priest, Palruch Kanthong; second row, center, with glasses is Chisholm; and in the front foreground behind the microphone is Mae-Saeng.

## 'Methodical' killers leave temple riches undisturbed

By CHARLENE SMITH  
Associated Press Writer

PHOENIX (AP) — The killers who lined up and shot six Buddhist monks and three disciples ransacked their living quarters but left undisturbed a temple containing gold and jade statues and a "money tree," investigators say.

Details of the massacre emerged as investigators puzzled over a possible motive and looked into whether Asian gangs were involved. Some community members wondered whether the motive was racism.

The victims — six monks in saffron robes and three initiates — were found Saturday morning at the Wat Promkunaram temple. The bodies were side-by-side and face down in a living room of the remote temple 20 miles from Phoenix.

"The killings were very methodical," said Sheriff Tom Agnos.

Investigators said the killings occurred late Friday or early Saturday. Sunday was to have been a day of celebration, marking the end of three weeks of live-in training in religion and self-awareness for an elderly woman and two young men or teen-agers, said Robert Johnson, whose Thai wife, Bupha, worships at the temple.

Agnos said robbery is a possible motive, but that investigators hadn't determined if anything was missing from the ransacked living quarters.

Worshippers said the temple contains gold and jade statues and a "money tree" with about \$20 in singles left as offerings.

"The temple itself was not disturbed at all," Agnos said.

Temple members have told deputies the monks usually wore jewelry, and none was found on the bodies, he said.

Investigators believe there were at least two killers, Agnos said.

Investigators have not ruled out involvement of Asian gangs, but Agnos minimized that possibility. He said a gang investigator was called in, but only because "we want to cover all the bases."

The L-shaped, one-story temple building is the focus of religious and social life for about 300 area Thais as well as a few Cambodians and Laotians who adhere to the Theravada Buddhist teaching. Many who helped at the temple are Thai wives of American servicemen and military retirees.

On Sunday, about 100 black-clad worshippers gathered at a Thai restaurant to plan funeral services and discuss the temple's future with three monks from Los Angeles. The meeting was closed.

Some wondered if racism had a role. "In America we have a lot of hate," Johnson said Saturday. "It's not just against blacks now, it's everybody."

"I can't believe this is a robbery, not with all the anti-Asian things going on," said Madeline Ong-Sakata, past president of the Arizona Asian Association.

She referred to two cases last year in which anti-Asian graffiti was sprayed on a Chinese church.

Agnos refused to say whether racist graffiti was found inside the temple.

Buddhist Ratchalee Yates of Tucson said she thought she left such violence behind when she emigrated from Thailand six years ago.

"I've never felt afraid here in the United States," she said in broken English. "They are happy. They don't do anything bad to anybody."

Ekachai Huansantia, 27, a Thai resident of Phoenix, was one of several worshippers who said they hadn't heard of any threats to local Thais.

"It scares me to death," said Betty Craft, a neighbor who traded gardening tips with the temple's monks. "I couldn't fathom anything like that because they were such nice, docile people."

## Pan Am on the block in bankruptcy court

By DIRK BEVERIDGE  
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Pan American World Airways headed into bankruptcy court today for a hearing that could either kill it off or lead to a new beginning as a smaller, Miami-based carrier with an emphasis on flying to Latin America.

The once-proud pioneer of commercial aviation originally was to be joined before U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Cornelius Blackshear by a flock of rivals hoping to snap up choice assets.

But Delta Air Lines hoped to shut out the competition with a sweetened offer late Sunday, Delta spokesman Neil Monroe said. He said a modified version of Delta's original offer was accepted by a creditors' committee.

Delta's new package, worth roughly \$1.1 billion, would give it most of Pan Am's routes across the

Atlantic and beyond, the Pan Am Shuttle and various planes and equipment, Monroe said. The airline had previously offered a deal worth about \$900 million.

That package, approved earlier by Pan Am management, was to be considered by the judge today, Monroe said. He said the Justice Department on Friday approved the original package.

"We're very optimistic that with the support of both groups that the judge will rule in our favor," Monroe said. "It's a major hurdle we've overcome by achieving support of the creditors' committee."

Delta, based in Atlanta, would also make an investment in a reorganized Pan Am, which would move its headquarters from New York to Miami and be owned 45 percent by Delta and 55 percent by Pan Am creditors, he said. Creditors also would get \$621 million in cash, Monroe said.

Other offers had come in from United Airlines, Trans World Airlines and American Airlines.

United, based in Chicago, offered \$205 million for Pan Am's Latin American routes and made separate offers for \$260 million for the trans-Atlantic routes and other routes sought by Delta. United said the routes should be auctioned off separately, to maximize the return to Pan Am and its creditors.

TWA, based in Mount Kisco, N.Y., has offered a deal under which it would put up \$30 million and American, based in Fort Worth, Texas, would put up \$250 million. TWA would also assume millions of dollars in Pan Am liabilities.

Northwest Airlines, based in Eagan, Minn., offered \$20 million for Pan Am's Detroit-London route, which is also being sought by Delta and United, or \$35 million for the Detroit-London route along with a Los Angeles-Mexico City route.

## BankAmerica, Security Pacific to merge

NEW YORK (AP) — BankAmerica Corp. and Security Pacific Corp. today announced the largest banking merger in U.S. history, creating what would be the nation's second-biggest banking company with assets of \$190 billion.

The West Coast merger announcement comes only weeks after two pairs of other large banks announced mega-mergers in the rapidly consolidating banking business, where strength in size is becoming more critical to compete.

Last month, Chemical Banking Corp. and Manufacturers Hanover Corp., with assets totaling \$135 billion, agreed to combine their operations, and NCBN Corp. and

C&S-Sovran Corp., with assets totaling \$118 billion, agreed to merge.

Under the latest agreement, each share of Los-Angeles-based Security Pacific common stock will be exchanged for 0.88 shares of San Francisco-based Bank America and the Security Pacific name will become history.

The latest deal was approved by the boards of directors and signed Sunday by the chairmen of BankAmerica and Security Pacific, a statement said.

BankAmerica and Security Pacific already were among the five biggest banks in the country and the biggest on the West Coast. They had been secretly negotiating

a merger intermittently since April, said Peter Magnani, a spokesman for Bank America.

The new company will be called BankAmerica Corp., the statement said.

Richard M. Rosenberg, chairman and chief executive officer of Bank America, will serve as chairman and CEO of the new company, the statement said. Robert H. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer of Security Pacific, will be president and chief operating officer.

The new banking company will be second in size to New York-based Citicorp, which has assets of nearly \$217 billion. BankAmerica will have a sprawling network of branches in 10 Western states.

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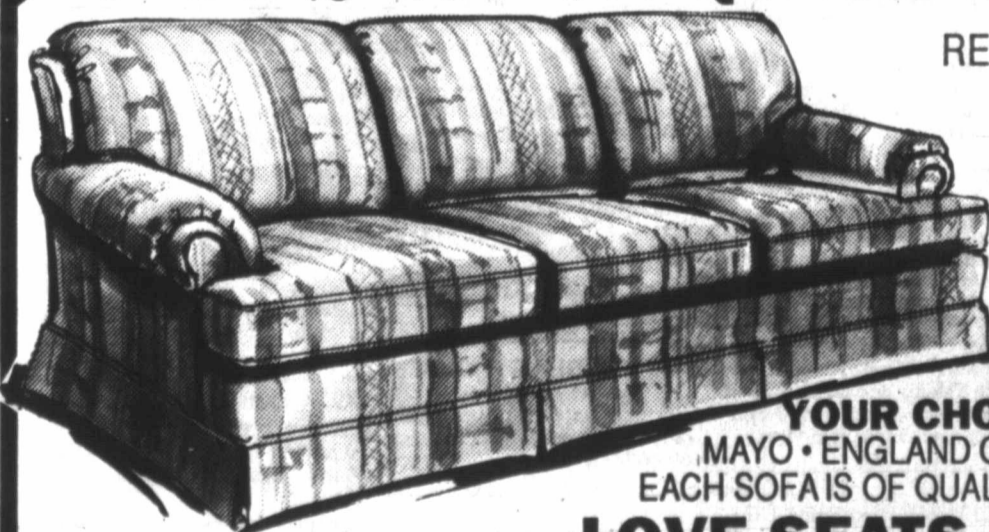
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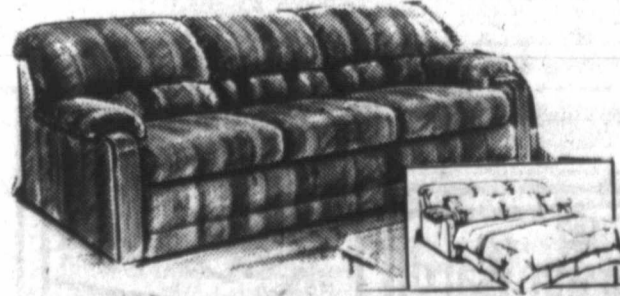
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