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TUESDAY

PRPC, county commissioners discuss planned projects for Lake McClellan

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

Gray County Commissioners Court met with members of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission Monday to discuss the possibility of getting grant money for the planned improvements to Lake McClellan.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Gerald Wright, who is president of the board of directors for the Lake McClellan Improvement Inc., said the group is interested in finding out if there would be any grant money available for the dredging of the lake and other recreational improvement projects.

The lake was completed in 1939 and once had an adequate supply of water, but silt accumulations have lowered the depth of the lake. Long-term projects, including dredging of the lake, are needed to deepen the lake, according to the Forest Service.

"It once was a pretty nice facility," Reggie Blackwell, U.S. Forest Service district ranger said.

Blackwell said that the Forest Service likes the idea of having a partner to help with the upkeep of the lake and likes to cost-share projects at least a 50-50 ratio.

The lake, in years past, was used by many people throughout the Texas Panhandle, with its easy access of Texas 70 and Interstate 40.

Gary Pitner, executive director for the PRPC, said there might be some grant funds available through the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife if the county has control of the lake.

Wright said that in 1985, the county asked U.S. Congress to deed Lake McClellan to the county, but the federal government said there was a law that federal land can no longer be conveyed to a local government.

Pitner said if the county could get a long-term lease, some funds might still be available from the Parks and Wildlife.

Wright said the lake improvement group is hopeful that the large dollars to help with the project funding will come through foundations and grants.

The dredging work and recreational improvements are estimated to cost \$3 million, Wright said.

Linda Pitner with the Panhandle Center for Non-profit Management, gave the Commissioners Court tips on approaching foundations and corporations for money. She said a good plan and background work is needed before any foundation boards are approached.

"You really need to know what you want to do and how much money you want," Mrs. Pitner said.

She said there are more than 2,000 foundations in Texas and more than 30,000 in the United States. She said the farther the group gets from Pampa, the harder it will be to find money.

Pitner said corporations typically will make contributions only in areas where they have employees or a headquarters. She said it is a good idea to start with local managers when seeking contributions.

Gary Pitner said the PRPC would be glad to help write any grant proposals which might be available.

In unrelated business Monday, the Commissioners Court set a tax rate of 30.294 cents per \$100 valuation to help fund the \$5,251,901 budget, which was also approved.

The Commissioners Court also passed, on a 4-1 vote, giving Precinct 4 Constable Jim McDonald a \$200 month raise, effective Jan. 1. The \$200 will be on top of the \$50 a month raise that county employees will receive on Jan. 1.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Ted Simmons said McDonald sought the increase to help cover insurance and other rising costs. He said he did not put it in his budget, but when he saw that the court gave Precinct 2 Constable Chris Lockridge a considerable raise, he decided he would like a higher raise, too.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley voted against the raises for both Lockridge and McDonald, saying he did not believe they were not doing the work and deserved the money, but saying that he believed times were financial tough for a lot of people.

"I don't want my vote to reflect I don't support Jim McDonald, because I do," Wheeley said.

The group also voted 4-1, with Precinct 2

Commissioner Jim Greene voting against, to not fund a third person in the county extension office budget at present, but to consider a request for the money if the state approves the position.

In other budget matters, the Commissioners Court unanimously voted to pay longevity pay at one-fifth the rate to 31st District Court personnel of the bailiff, court reporter and court administrator. Gray County employees are eligible for the \$5 per month longevity pay after the fourth year of service. With the vote, 31st District Court personnel would get \$1 a month for each year of service after four years. Gray County pays one-fifth of the salaries of the three employees.

In other business, the Commissioners Court:

- approved the payment of \$135,013.11 in salaries and \$426,500.03 in bills.
- approved the transfers as recommended by the county auditor.
- approved the treasurer's report.
- approved a request from the Sweetwater Creek Firefighters Association to use the four-county radio tower.
- approved a bid of \$14,500 from West Texas Equipment Co. for a trade-in for a new motor grader for Precinct 4.
- approved allowing the sheriff's office to purchase 13 bullet-proof vests at a cost of \$401.75 each this year. The vests were approved to come out of the 1992 budget, but the county can purchase them cheaper before Jan. 1, so a loan will be given to the sheriff's office to be repaid in 1992. The savings is estimated to be \$2,252.
- approved the city of Lefors' request to release delinquent tax properties.
- approved changing various service fees for court notices. The service fees that were \$30 will be increased to \$40, the ones that were \$45 will be increased to \$50 and the ones that were \$15 will be increased to \$30.
- approved crossing a county road in Precinct 3 with a pipeline.
- approved the sale of delinquent tax properties at 519 N. Warren and at 836-838 W. Foster.
- discussed the work the county will provide at the jail site.
- discussed retirement options.



(Staff photo by Stan Pollard)

Gary Pitner, executive director of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, takes notes during a discussion Monday with Gray County Commissioners Court on the planned improvements to Lake McClellan.

Settlement reached in dispute over payment of gas royalties

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

A lawsuit launched in December 1988 by mineral property owners against Northern Natural Gas Co., a division of Enron Corp., ended this morning in a settlement to the plaintiffs for an undisclosed amount.

The trial in the lawsuit got under way Monday in 223rd District Court with District Judge Lee Waters presiding. A jury was chosen and opening arguments were heard in the case Monday.

At 9 a.m., when the jury returned this morning, it was announced that the group's services would no longer be needed, as an agreement had been reached between the parties.

Attorneys on both sides reportedly met until late Monday evening, hammering out an agreement.

Plaintiffs in the case were Wilma Jeanne Gilmore, individually and as trustee of the testamentary trust under the will of Vera Mae Cox, deceased, for the use and benefit of Harbord L. Cox, Carol Schmidt Woodward, trustee for the use and benefit of Brian Clayton Schmidt and Kelly Jerome Schmidt, Robert Martin Cobb and Sally Mae Grauer.

The plaintiffs were represented by Pampa attorneys Phil Vanderpool and John Warner. Northern was represented by Amarillo attorney John Irvin.

In opening arguments Monday, Warner said the lawsuit centered around Northern Natural Gas Co., a division of Enron Corp., not paying royalty payments to his clients for natural gas that was taken off property northwest of Kingsmill in Gray and Carson counties.

Warner said that from 1977 to 1983, Komanche Oil & Gas Co. produced the wells and sold the gas at the wellhead to Northern, who then transported the gas through a pipeline and sold to its customers for a profit.

He said the landowners leased the land for oil and gas for a 1/8 royalty.

In 1983 a dispute arose as to whether Komanche was taking gas it had a right to, or gas that belonged to Dorchester, and Dorchester notified Northern of that fact.

Alanreed, Lefors, McLean school boards to meet on consolidation proposal tonight

McLEAN - Alanreed, Lefors and McLean school boards are scheduled to meet in special session tonight to discuss the consolidation issue.

The meeting is set to begin at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria at McLean Independent School District. The meeting is open to the public.

As of Monday, Alanreed and

"They (Northern) kept taking the gas and taking the gas and getting profit from their customers and not paying anyone. They're going to admit they've been using our money for eight years," Warner said.

The plaintiffs were seeking punitive damages in the lawsuit, as well as actual damages, which totaled at least \$70,000 according to the sixth amended original petition.

"They took our gas, they didn't pay us for it," Warner said. "We say that's not in good faith."

Warner said that a punitive damages award would notify the company that it could not take other people's money and use it in the future without being punished.

"Gas rustling will continue until a community speaks and does something about it," Warner said.

Vanderpool said in opening arguments, "Dorchester and Komanche and Northern keep fighting about whose gas it is. It's the landowners'. The royalty owner has the right to be paid the royalty no matter who's fighting over the gas."

Irvin said in opening arguments that indeed his company did have the money from the gas sales, but had not paid anyone the money because lawsuits were pending to determine who should be paid.

"Northern just got caught in the middle," Irvin said.

Irvin said the plaintiffs were wanting the price under the Komanche contract to be in force, rather than under Dorchester, because a higher price for the gas was in the Komanche contract.

"The plaintiffs are trying to convince you that Northern is making money off the deal by holding the money and that's not the case," Irvin said.

Irvin said that contracts Northern has with both Komanche and Dorchester say that anytime there is a dispute, Northern can withhold payment if there is not a good title to the gas.

"The royalty owners are skipping a step; instead of saying Komanche why don't you pay us, they've painted us out to be the bad guy because we've got the money," Irvin said.

McLean had submitted petitions to the county judge, asking that an election be called in November in the three school districts to vote on the consolidation issue. Lefors had not submitted its petition as of Monday afternoon.

If a vote is called on the consolidation issue, it must pass in each of the three school districts to become effective.

County amends Pantex expansion resolution

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

Gray County Commissioners Court on Monday made an amendment to its original minute order in support of the Pantex plant expansion.

The action came after a group opposed to the expansion made a presentation at the Sept. 3 meeting of the Commissioners Court and urged them to rescind their minute order.

On Monday, Precinct 2 Commissioner Jim Greene said, "I think we acted a little prematurely (in signing the resolution in support of Pantex) without checking it a little more ... If we mess up the water and air in this area, we're still going to be here and they're going to leave."

Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley and County Judge Carl Kennedy both said they believed the fear of the unknown had a lot of people scared about Pantex.

Kennedy pointed out that "they're going to do what they want to do and it's not going to be decided

by this court or Potter County Commissioners Court or anyone else."

The county judge also said that the proposed Pantex expansion was looked upon favorably by the Gray County Commissioners Court early on because of the jobs it is expected to bring.

"If we do not have economic opportunities in this part of the state, then we'll continue to dwindle," Kennedy said.

Greene commented, "Somebody, somewhere is going to have to take a stand on some things."

The county judge responded, "I feel like we do take stands all the time on issues that affect Gray County."

The Commissioners Court, on a motion by Wheeley, unanimously passed the amendment to the original support document, which states that the Department of Energy and Pantex be required to follow all the environmental, health and safety laws, both state and federal, that any other industries are required to abide by in the Texas Panhandle for the protection of life and agriculture.

The amendment will be sent to the DOE and to all 26 counties in the Texas Panhandle, at the urging of Pampa resident John Triplehorn.

Wheeley said he was of the opinion that the Commissioners Court's prior support would be nullified if the amendment is not followed by Pantex and the DOE.

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U.S. offers Israel proposal on housing loans

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
AP Diplomatic Writer

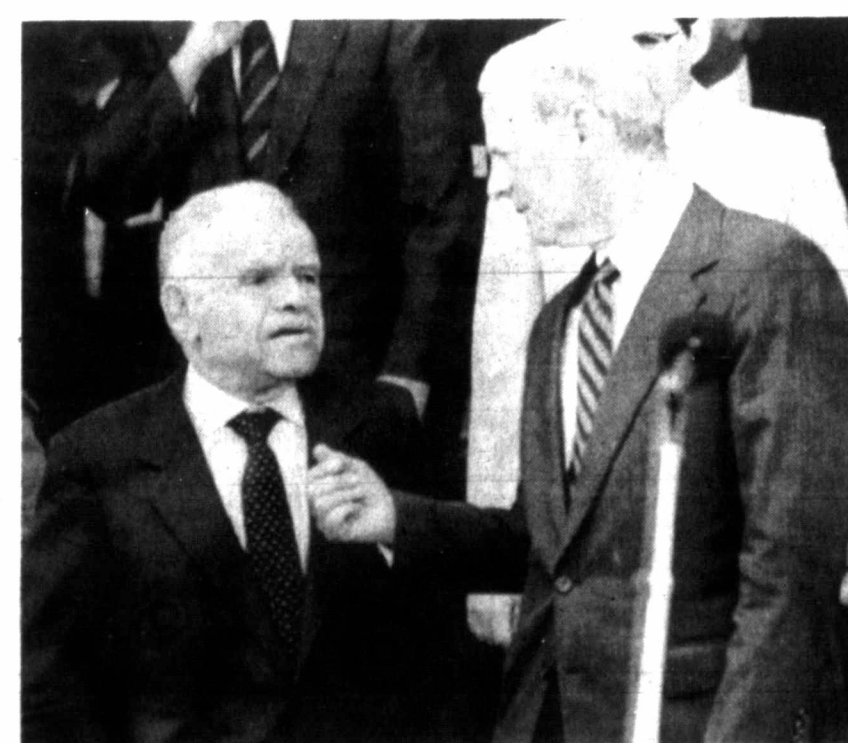
JERUSALEM (AP) - Secretary of State James A. Baker III today outlined a U.S. offer to Israel for settling the housing loan controversy that includes protection against financial losses for the Israelis and a promise not to seek further delays in their aid request.

After his second meeting in two days with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Baker told reporters that the U.S. offer contained six points that would be implemented if Israel agreed to drop its opposition to a four-month delay in action on \$10 billion in housing loan guarantees.

A high administration source also said President Bush and Baker are determined to resist Israeli efforts to thwart U.S. opposition to the building of new settlements in the occupied territories of the West Bank and Gaza.

The housing loan flap has threatened to derail Bush and Baker's efforts to convene a Middle East peace conference later this year.

The peace conference was on Baker's agenda as he flew to Cairo for talks with Egyptian leaders after his meetings with Shamir and other Israeli officials.



(AP Laserphoto)

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker III, right, and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir confer following meetings Tuesday in Jerusalem.

On the U.S. compromise offer, Baker said, "We would agree that we would not ask for further delay beyond January." The U.S. proposal also included a promise to work

with supporters of the loan guarantees to find "a suitable legislative vehicle" to obtain swift congressional approval in January.

The administration would restate

its commitment to the principle of providing Israel aid to help settle Soviet immigrants. It would commit the United States to solicit housing aid from other countries and would protect Israel from out-of-pocket costs resulting from the 120-day delay.

After the meeting with Baker, Shamir said there were "some issues between us that must be resolved" and said he expected to talk to Baker again "in the next few days."

A senior administration official, traveling on the Baker plane to Egypt, said Israel was pressing the Bush administration to drop any conditions limiting its policy of building new settlements in the occupied territories.

"That just is something we are not going to agree to," said the official, speaking on condition that he not be identified.

When the official was asked whether there was any possibility of compromise on the U.S. position on settlements, he replied: "I don't want to indicate one inch of flexibility beyond the six points which we have proposed, which are damned forthcoming."

They spoke to reporters after a

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Services tomorrow

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ROSS, Everett - 1:30 p.m., San Jacinto United Methodist Church, Amarillo.

Obituaries

JO ANN BROWN
 Jo Ann Brown, 58, died today, Sept. 17, 1991, in Claude. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whalley Funeral Directors.
 Ms. Brown was born Sept. 18, 1932, in Pampa. She was a former longtime Pampa resident.
 Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Buster and Brenda Kelley of Pampa; three sisters, Leta Witcher of Bedford, Mary Martindale of Pampa and Julia Price of San Jose, Calif.; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

HENRY KING JOHNSTON
 MOBEETIE - Henry King Johnston, 79, died Monday, Sept. 16, 1991. Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Mobeetie United Methodist Church with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor, and the Rev. Ralph Hovey, pastor of the Mobeetie Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Mobeetie Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.
 Mr. Johnston was a lifetime resident of Mobeetie. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He married Lucy Ross in 1950 at Wheeler. He was a farmer and rancher. Mr. Johnston was formerly a trustee of the Mobeetie school board. He was a member and past master of the Mobeetie Masonic Lodge. He was a member of the Old Mobeetie Association, the American Legion in Miami, Texas, and Mobeetie First United Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by a son, Larry Johnston in 1984.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mary Cheshier of Pampa; and six grandchildren.
EVERETT ROSS
 AMARILLO - Everett Ross, 81, died Sunday, Sept. 15, 1991. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the San Jacinto United Methodist Church at Amarillo with the Rev. Gary Hubbard, associate pastor of the church, officiating. Masonic graveside rites will be at 5 p.m. in Shamrock Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home of McLean.
 Mr. Ross was born Feb. 12, 1910, in Garza. He married Lillie Martin on Oct. 9, 1932, in Shamrock. He was a World War II veteran. He was a meat cutter, farmer and rancher. He was a member of the United Methodist Church. He was in the Palo Duro Masonic Lodge #1239. He was a member of the American Legion. He was a retired from the U.S. civil service.
 Survivors include his wife of the home; and several nieces and nephews.
 The body will lie in state from 10 a.m. Wednesday until service time at the church.

LON TRASK
 Lon Trask, 89, died today, Sept. 17, 1991. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Carmichael-Whalley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Darrel Rains, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.
 Mr. Trask was born April 1, 1902. He had been a Pampa resident since 1948, moving here from Oklahoma. He married Ruth Jessie DeVerse on May 15, 1923, in Springfield, Mo.; she preceded him in death in 1979. He married Edna Beget in 1981 in Clovis, N.M. He worked as a contract pumper for various independent oil companies in the Panhandle. He was a member of First Baptist Church.
 Survivors include his wife, Edna, of the home; two daughters, Juanita B. Russell of Pampa and Helen W. Lamb of Sunray; one son, William V. Trask of Amarillo; one brother, John Trask of Jenks, Okla.; 14 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be made to the American Heart Association or the First Baptist Church Building Fund.

Minor accidents
 The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
MONDAY, Sept. 16
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Stocks
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 Ky. Cent. Life 9 3/8 NC
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 Enron 64 1/2 NC
 Halliburton 34 7/8 up 1/8
 Ingersoll Rand 48 3/4 dn 1/8
 KNE 26 7/8 dn 1/4
 Kerr-McGee 41 1/8 dn 1/8
 Limited 26 up 1/8
 Mapco 48 3/8 NC
 Maxus 9 1/8 NC
 McDonald's 32 7/8 dn 1/8
 Mesa Ltd. 2 1/8 NC
 Mobil 68 1/4 up 1/8
 New Atmos 20 5/8 dn 1/8
 Pennco 48 up 1/8
 Phillips 25 7/8 up 1/4
 SLB 69 1/8 dn 3/8
 SPS 31 7/8 dn 1/8
 Tenneco 38 3/4 dn 5/8
 Texaco 63 1/2 up 1/2
 Wal-Mart 49 3/4 NC
 New York Gold 344.25
 Silver 4.02
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 Ambulance 911
 Crime Stoppers 669-2222
 Energas 665-5777
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 Kerr-McGee 41 1/8 dn 1/8
 Limited 26 up 1/8
 Mapco 48 3/8 NC
 Maxus 9 1/8 NC
 McDonald's 32 7/8 dn 1/8
 Mesa Ltd. 2 1/8 NC
 Mobil 68 1/4 up 1/8
 New Atmos 20 5/8 dn 1/8
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 Krista Dearman, Pampa
 Gerald Parker, Pampa
 Edna Laura Ray, Pampa
 Margot Schoonover, Pampa
 Royal Scott, Pampa
 Loula Wall, Perryton
 Otha Juanita Whitson, Pampa
Births
 To Krista Dearman of Pampa, a boy.
Dismissals
 Viola Blanche Bullard
 (extended care), Pampa
 Beatrice Beck, Pampa
 Earl Culver, Pampa
 Nova Mae Tiller, Skellytown
 Sammi Villarreal, Pampa
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 None
Dismissals
 Rachel Stacy, Shamrock
 Edwin Howard, McLean
 Helen Anderson, Shamrock

Police report

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MONDAY, Sept. 16
 A juvenile reported an assault at 1916 N. Wells.
 Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported a theft at the business.
 Police reported violation of narcotic drug laws.
 The city of Pampa reported criminal mischief in Central Park.
 J.T. Horton, 1130 S. Hobart, reported a burglary at 1121 S. Banks.
 Larry Franks, 501 Lowry, reported a theft at the residence.
 Greg Campbell, 421 Graham, reported criminal mischief at 2014 Coffee.
 Coronado Hospital reported criminal trespassing in the emergency room.

TUESDAY, Sept. 17
 Police reported indecency with a child in the 1200 block of South Farley. The case is under investigation.

Arrests
MONDAY, Sept. 16
 Billy Lamar McKee, 58, Alanreed, was arrested at the Coronado Hospital emergency room on a charge of criminal trespassing. He was released on authority of the county attorney after hospital officials declined to press charges.
 Jerrie Jan McClure, 38, P.O. Box 65, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on a charge of theft by check. She was released on payment of fines.
 Randall Wayne Tyra, 31, Perryton, was arrested at the police department on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

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Pampa Realtor says MLS figures show improving real estate sales

By BEAR MILLS Staff Writer

A Pampa realtor, using Multiple Listing Service figures, said real estate sales in Pampa are even better than previously reported.

Jannie Lewis of Action Realty said in the first six months of 1990 there was \$3.78 million in property sold.

During the first six months of 1991, that figure almost doubled to \$7.27 million.

A recent Pampa News story quoted local authorities on real estate as saying the market had improved by a "staggering 22.5 percent."

However, Lewis said the good news is even better. "We have had a third more properties sold this year. That's according to MLS records," Lewis said.

Lewis said the amount of sales shows an even brighter picture, with figures doubled.

Statistics from Charles Buzzard of Property Valuation Analysts and MLS both indicate the amount per home being spent this year is roughly \$10,000 more than 1990.

Lewis said almost all of the homes being sold are on the north side of Pampa, with very few homes in the southeast and southwest sections of the city selling.

"Sales are always in the northeast and northwest areas," she stated. "The southeast part will have three or four sales a year, with the southwest part of town maybe having six or eight sales all year long."

Lewis said the MLS reporting data does not include the sale of a Hemphill County ranch for \$1.8 million, a transaction by Pampa realtors that would further

improve the local financial picture.

Checking MLS statistics back to 1987, Lewis said 1991 sales for the first six months also show this year to be better than any of the last five.

"If this continues through the end of the year, we will have \$14.5 million in sales," Lewis said, "but I don't think we can keep up at this pace."

The big question has been why there is such a dramatic increase in home sales. Lewis said her figures show that 36.06 percent of those buying homes in Pampa this year were doing so to move into a nicer house.

Another 27.86 percent were moving into Pampa and buying a home. Investors buying rental or other type properties accounted for 16.4 percent of sales, Lewis said, with commercial properties and first time buyers each making up 8.2 percent of the market.

Those moving down to a less expensive home made up the final 3.28 percent of sales.

"Following the terribly bad year of 1990, the only way to go was up," Lewis said, noting that 1990 was far worse than 1987, 1988 or 1989. "We have a lot of people moving into Pampa, but also some moving out. Some buyers have entered the market who were reluctant to do so last year. Everyone was in a holding pattern last year."

She also credited better interest rates and the greater availability of money to loan as being contributing factors.

"Overall, the Texas economy is improving and everything seems more secure," Lewis said. "People's attitudes are better and Pampa is perhaps experiencing the recovery that the rest of Texas has been enjoying."

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90-minute meeting that was also attended by Foreign Minister David Levy and Defense Minister Moshe Arens.

"I think we can say that we have achieved a certain progress in various matters related to the peace process," Shamir told reporters. "We'll have to have further discussions about many issues."

Baker also said more talks were needed. "There are still some issues between us that must be resolved," he said.

Both sides said contacts would resume in a few days.

Baker said there was "a real opportunity to see Arabs, Arab states, sitting down face to face in direct negotiations with Israel," adding that he was convinced Israel wanted to take advantage of the opportunity.

The secretary of state then left Israel for Cairo for consultations with Egyptian leaders.

Baker and Shamir stressed their talks Monday and Tuesday were

held in a friendly, cooperative atmosphere.

But they said they did not resolve their dispute over the \$10 billion in U.S. loan guarantees that Israel has requested to help absorb Soviet immigrants.

In Washington, President Bush held fast to his request that action on the loan guarantees be put off for 120 days.

He insisted he has no personal squabble with Shamir or other Israeli leaders.

"The less debate we have now on these contentious issues, the better," Bush said during a news conference with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Meanwhile, three prominent Republican activists called on Bush to free the loan guarantee money immediately.

"It is crucial that this humanitarian effort be undertaken independently of other issues and without delay for the sake of the thousands of Soviet and Ethiopian Jews who need our help," the three said in a private letter to the president.

The letter was sent last Thursday by Max Fisher, a Detroit businessman; Richard Fox, a Philadelphia real estate developer, and George Klein, a New York developer.

A copy of the letter was obtained Monday by The Associated Press.

Kohl said he endorsed Bush's handling of the proposed Middle East peace conference and that "I know of no American president who has done as much for the state of Israel as President Bush."

The housing loan controversy injected a new complication into an already difficult situation, officials said.

Some Israelis were outraged by Bush's insistence on a delay as well as by the president's attacks on the pro-Israeli lobby in Washington.

When Baker arrived in Jerusalem, protesters threw tomatoes at his motorcade. None hit the car carrying him.

Kehav'an Ze'evi, a Shamir cabinet member from a small right-wing party, called Bush "almost an anti-Semite."

Two freight trains collide, burst into flames

KNOX, Ind. (AP) - Two freight trains crashed and burst into flames this morning, leaving two crewmen missing and forcing evacuations because of burning sulfur, authorities said.

The Norfolk Southern trains collided at about 8 a.m., said Bob Auman, a spokesman at the company's headquarters in Norfolk, Va.

He said three crew members were on each train, and four had been accounted for 1 1/2 hours after the crash in northwest Indiana.

"There are two crew members

who were still on the engines. We don't yet know their fate," he said. The fire spewed thick smoke directly north and could be seen four miles away.

Authorities believe more than 26,000 gallons of sulfur was involved in the accident, but it was not known how much of it was burning, said Kelly Stenock of the State Emergency Management Agency.

Burning sulfur creates poisonous fumes that can burn the eyes and skin and cause respiratory paralysis.

Runoff from a spill could be toxic to aquatic life.

The agency ordered evacuations of homes within two miles of the accident and ordered school children to be kept in their classrooms.

A temporary shelter for evacuees had been set up, Stenock said.

Police closed a six-mile stretch of Indiana 8.

Nancy Anders, director of nursing at Stark County Memorial Hospital, said she was receiving patients about 45 minutes after the accident.

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Discovery astronauts talk to folks back home on Larry King show

By LAURA TOLLEY Associated Press Writer

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) - The slightly increased risk of a nighttime landing hasn't fazed the Discovery astronauts as they prepare today to return to Earth.

"There's a little more risk involved in landing at night than in the daytime," Commander John Creighton told radio talk show host Larry King Monday night.

But Creighton said he was confident he and pilot Kenneth Reightler would "bring the shuttle in right on the money."

As the shuttle zoomed around Earth at 17,500 mph, the five crew members answered questions from 13 callers across the nation on King's late-night talk show. They stowed their gear after the interview and, at mid-morning, went to sleep.

It was the first time astronauts have participated in a talk show, although crews have used ham radios to talk to people on Earth.

"What really changed you when you went up in space?" the first caller, from San Antonio, asked.

Creighton said he gained more respect for Earth.

"It tends to give you more of a global perspective and an appreciation for the environment," Creighton said. "When you look out at the horizon and you see an atmosphere that's only about an inch thick, you realize just how fragile this planet can be. We better take care of it."

The astronauts, scheduled to return home early Wednesday, released an atmosphere research satellite that will examine the vanishing ozone layer.

With other permitting, the shuttle will return to its Florida launch site at 1:06 a.m. CDT Wednesday. It would be the ninth shuttle touching down at Kennedy Space Center and the first one there in darkness.

The early forecast was favorable for landing, NASA said Monday night.

As it races towards Florida, the shuttle will resemble a slow shooting star with green and yellow streaks trailing behind as it crosses over parts of Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee and

Georgia. And in Titusville, Fla., near Kennedy, city officials asked residents to turn on their porch lights tonight as a symbol of support.

The alternate landing site is Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. Shuttles usually have landed at Edwards, but NASA has decided to make Kennedy the primary site as often as possible to save time and money.

The astronauts accomplished their primary goal of the five-day mission late Saturday with the release of the atmosphere research satellite, which is supposed to spend at

North's future: Writing, politics, no testifying

By JILL LAWRENCE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retired Lt. Col. Oliver North may well write a book or run for political office, but there are at least two things he plans to avoid in the future: testifying in court or on Capitol Hill.

In the years since becoming embroiled in the Iran-Contra affair, the former National Security Council deputy has started a successful business, a conservative think tank and a lucrative lecture career.

On Monday, after a federal judge dismissed all charges against him, he hinted that he might write a book.

"If you could just give us a sense of why you feel vindicated by all of this," someone asked outside the courthouse.

"I am going to look for a better forum to do that than the hot sun here today," North replied.

Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., who has known North for 10 years, said it would be natural for him to become an author.

"He has got a lot of name recognition and people want to know his point of view behind all of these events of the late 1980s," Rohrabacher said in an interview. "When people saw him testify, he was someone they empathized with. And I'm sure they want to know how he felt on not getting pardoned by Ronald Reagan. I certainly sensed a bitterness in him."

The flamboyant Marine came off to some viewers as a valiant patriot, by turns misty-eyed and swashbuckling, when he testified before Congress

four years ago in his beribboned uniform. The bravura performance at the hearings inspired a TV miniseries on his life and led to a guest appearance as the narrator of *Peter and the Wolf* with a 46-piece orchestra.

North, now 47, went out on the political circuit, raising money for Republican candidates and fueling speculation that maybe someday he, too, would be on a ballot somewhere.

His conviction on three felony charges would have disqualified him from federal office. But he told audiences from the start that "it's all going to end well."

Sure enough, last summer a federal appeals court set aside North's three convictions for destroying documents, accepting an illegal gratuity and aiding the obstruction of Congress.

Then the special prosecutor, Lawrence Walsh, decided he probably would not be able to win reinstatement of the convictions. And on Monday, North got his reprieve: U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell terminated the case.

"Now that this has passed, he's eligible to run for office," said Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., another North friend. "He could probably run for the Senate in Virginia, for example, or any number of things."

North said Monday that "I have had my last hearing on the Hill forever, I hope." Asked if he would have to testify at other Iran-Contra trials, he replied, "I can only hope not."

Of his future plans, North said, "I hope to take my kids to lunch." As for making a political bid, he replied: "I am running hard for the toughest office in the land, husband and father, and I have been away from it for too long."

Friends say North, his wife Betsy and their four children have been under enormous pressure in the past few years, and that the children have even suffered insults from teachers at their schools.

North went out on the lecture circuit to help pay for his defense. He earns up to \$25,000 for inspirational speeches on family, trust, commitment, patriotism and his foreign policy views.

North also started Guardian Technologies International, which makes bulletproof vests, with another key figure in the Iran-Contra scandal — Joseph Fernandez, the former CIA station chief in Costa Rica.

"It's been very, very successful, I'm told," Cox said of the firm.

Among North's other ventures is the Freedom Alliance, a conservative group he founded to educate its members and transmit their views to Capitol Hill.

He also put in 1,200 hours as a management adviser at a Washington drug counseling center, although that part of his sentence, along with a \$150,000 fine and two years on probation, had been suspended pending his appeal.

North's White House career was noteworthy for the number of dramatic events in which he played a key role: the secret arms sales to Iran, the diversion of profits to the Contras, the invasion of Grenada, the retaliatory bombing of Libya and the interception of an Egyptian airliner carrying the hijackers of the Achille Lauro cruise ship.



(AP Laserphoto)

Former White House aide Oliver North is all smiles as he meets with reporters Monday in Washington after a federal judge dismissed all charges against him in the Iran-Contra affair.

Gates criticized over failure to pursue Iran-Contra tips

By JIM DRINKARD
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Robert Gates, President Bush's nominee to head the CIA, ran into renewed criticism today over his failure to pursue suspicions about the Iran-Contra affair when he first became aware of it in 1986.

Citing past testimony from Gates that the nominee's first reaction was to ignore the information, Sen. Howard Metzenbaum said, "Mr. Gates, that blows my mind."

Metzenbaum, questioning Gates in the second day of his confirmation hearings, called him the "see-no-evil, hear-no-evil, speak-no-evil" nominee who was seeking to preserve his career by not making waves.

Gates said he regretted saying in 1987 that he had not pursued more information of the affair when he learned of it on Oct. 1, 1986.

Metzenbaum asked why Gates should be confirmed. "What is the magical transformation that has taken place in Robert Gates?" he asked.

Gates responded that "the record is clear that I learned (lessons) immediately."

Today's hearing opened with a charge from Metzenbaum that Republicans on the Senate Intelligence Committee are bent on confirming Gates without regard to his record on Iran-Contra.

"It's now turned into a political confirmation hearing, where none of the Republicans seem to be interested in hearing the questions or the answers," Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, told a reporter as the hearings entered their second day.

Metzenbaum referred to his questioning of Gates late Monday, which was repeatedly interrupted by Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., who argued on Gates' behalf.

When Metzenbaum made a similar charge as the hearing opened today, Rudman bristled. "I resent being told I am sitting here as a political puppet," he snapped.

But Metzenbaum said he remained unconvinced of Gates' fitness for the job. "It's just impossible to believe that this man was so close to what was going on (in Iran-Contra) and he didn't know. It's just not credible."

Gates breezed through his first day of hearings on Monday, shielded in part by an admission that he had used poor judgment in some of

his handling of the affair.

Metzenbaum, however, termed the mea culpa "a confirmation conversion" meant to disarm his opponents.

Gates, now Bush's deputy national security adviser, began his testimony Monday with an admission "about the misjudgments that I made and the lessons I learned," from the covert program to sell arms to Iran and aid Nicaragua's Contra rebels.

He conceded that as the CIA's No. 2 official in 1986, he should have taken more seriously the first indications he heard that money was being diverted to the Contras; pressed harder to get the full truth from then-CIA Director William Casey; and sought to inform Congress about the affair.

The admissions seemed to be just what many senators on the intelligence panel wanted to hear. And they were a marked contrast to Gates' testimony in 1987, when he stubbornly denied wrongdoing and eventually was forced to withdraw as President Reagan's nominee for CIA director.

"It takes a big person to step up and say, 'Looking back on my past actions I feel I should have done things differently,'" said committee

Chairman David Boren, D-Okla., an early backer. A critic of Gates, Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., agreed. "I think it was an honest thing for him to do because he obviously had made serious mistakes. He was not defending the indefensible," Bradley said.

One senior Democratic aide said the 15-member committee appeared poised to support Gates' nomination. "There just doesn't seem to be the stomach to fight this (Iran-Contra) thing," he said on condition of anonymity.

But Bradley said he planned to grill Gates on a series of other issues, including his slowness to recognize the tide of reform and democracy in the Soviet Union and whether he overstated the Soviet threat to justify the 1980s defense buildup. Gates' background is as a Soviet analyst.

"It is hard to excuse his blindly fatalistic view in 1988 that 'the dictatorship of the Communist Party remains untouched and untouchable' or that 'a long competition and struggle with the Soviet Union lies before us,'" Bradley said.

"There is no question that Mr. Gates got it dead wrong," he said. "The question is why."

Sentencing phase begins in Braun's New Mexico case

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — Gregg Francis Braun was back in court today as jury selection began to determine the 12-person panel that will decide whether he receives the death penalty for killing a Springer convenience store clerk.

Braun, 30, of Garden City, Kan., has pleaded guilty but mentally ill to murder and armed robbery charges stemming from the July 23, 1989, shooting death of Geraldine Valdez.

He also is accused of killing four people in three other states: convenience store clerks Mary Rains and Barbara Kochendorfer in Garden City, Kan., on July 19, 1989; E.P. "Pete" Spurrier, a photo-processing shop owner in Pampa, Texas, July 20; and Gwen Miller, in an Ardmore, Okla., flower shop July 21.

Braun, who has begun serving a 13-year sentence at the Penitentiary of New Mexico near Santa Fe on

the armed robbery charge, will receive a sentence of either death or life imprisonment on the murder charge.

State District Judge Jay Harris of Las Vegas, N.M., before whom Braun entered his guilty pleas, will hear the sentencing phase of the case.

Braun originally was to have been tried for the July 23, 1989, death of Geraldine Valdez in Raton, but Harris granted a change of venue moving the trial to Taos.

The sentencing trial initially was moved from Raton to Taos at the defense's request and was set for last April.

But Harris declared a mistrial after potential jurors acknowledged they knew Braun was charged with four slayings in three other states. That information was widely reported but inadmissible in court.

Harris said it was impossible to

seat an impartial jury in Taos, and the case was later moved to Santa Fe.

Braun admitted at a preliminary hearing in August 1989 that he shot Valdez to death and took about \$200 from the gas station store where she worked. Valdez, 48, was shot twice in the head.

At that hearing, Braun said he had been using cocaine heavily for the month before the shooting and had been receiving counseling for violent dreams.

Braun entered his guilty but mentally ill plea to the charges at an April 1990 preliminary hearing that Harris closed because of publicity about the case. Under New Mexico law, guilty but mentally ill means the defendant was mentally ill but did not meet the criteria for legal insanity.

Harris ruled at a May 1990 hearing that a Taos jury could consider the death penalty for Braun despite his mental illness plea.


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Is Castro's Cuba the next to fall?

Cuba's Fidel Castro is trying desperately to hold back the tidal wave of democracy that has engulfed the former communist countries of Eastern Europe and now the Soviet Union. But the future looks increasingly bleak for his isolated Caribbean outpost of Marxism-Leninism.

Even before the foiled Kremlin coup, Cuba was on the verge of economic collapse. That is the assessment of the London-based Institute for Strategic Studies, which views the situation on the island to be the worst since Castro seized power in 1959. Even Cuba's state-controlled radio has conceded that the country's severe economic woes are certain to increase.

The Cuban economy contracted between 5 percent and 7 percent last year after the Soviet Union cut way back on oil shipments. Soviet shipments of raw materials, food and machinery also have declined and are likely to be cut off entirely in the future. The Soviets have already announced they are bringing their troops back home. Because of the turmoil in the U.S.S.R., Castro no longer can count on Moscow as a major trading partner. But the Cuban dictator has nowhere else to turn.

Gone are Cuba's preferential trade agreements with the countries of Eastern Europe. Closed are the markets in Latin America where Castro has sponsored terrorism and revolution during the last three decades. In fact, Castro has so alienated his neighbors that he was ostracized at a recent regional summit in Mexico that brought together the leaders of 19 Latin American governments and those of Spain and Portugal. Portuguese President Mario Soares, a socialist, aptly called Castro "a dinosaur, respectable only because he is prehistoric."

As Castro continues to mumble Marxist platitudes and rail against "the forces of U.S. imperialism," his counterparts around the world are discussing the benefits of freedom and market-driven economies. Once a base of communism and Soviet adventurism in this hemisphere, Cuba now finds itself bereft in a fast-changing world. The real question is no longer whether, but rather when, the police state will collapse.

The economic crisis already is so bad that rats are being bred for food. Store shelves are almost always empty and consumers are compelled to wait for hours in line for the barest of necessities. Even Cuban tobacco faces rationing. To defuse urban unrest and bolster the agricultural sector, Castro has been relocating city dwellers to the countryside so they can "live off the land." To compensate for the mounting number of broken-down motor vehicles and the chronic shortage of fuel, he has proclaimed "the era of the bicycle" and ordered 700,000 of them from China.

Desperately short of hard currency to service its \$7 billion foreign debt, the Cuban government is trying to attract foreign tourists. But this strategy is unpopular among average Cubans because they are forbidden to possess dollars and thus are barred from the fancy hotels and restaurants that accept dollars only. A senior Cuban trade official said that his country would "negotiate with the devil" in order to survive economically. But, after 32 years, Castro has run out of patrons to negotiate with.

The political upheaval in the Soviet Union can only advance the day when the Cuban people join the global democratic revolution against communist tyranny.

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Prohibition wasn't a success

Encouraging people to forget history is the key to getting them to repeat it, as George Santayana might have said. Zealots supporting the war on drugs generally prefer not to talk about Prohibition, an episode which should have taught us something about trying to ban substances that people want, but which has been largely ignored in the unsuccessful crusade against marijuana and cocaine.

Some drug warriors, however, have taken a different approach to this inconvenient subject, insisting that far from being a costly fiasco, the Volstead Act succeeded in the goal of curbing alcohol use and all its resulting evils. They have even gone so far as to claim that the popular image of Prohibition as a time of gangsters and gunplay is false — "strictly a newspaper creation, perpetuated by the entertainment media," scoffs one historian.

William Bennett, whose majesty served as drug czar under Ronald Reagan and George Bush, made an 1989 speech at Harvard in which he urged his audience to "understand one clear lesson of Prohibition. When we had laws against alcohol, there was less consumption of alcohol, less alcohol-related disease, fewer drunken brawls and a lot less public drunkenness. And contrary to myth, there is no evidence that Prohibition caused big increases in crime."

What evidence does Bennett need? When Prohibition took effect nationally in 1920, there were 6.8 murders for every 100,000 people. If the bottle was such a malignant influence, taking it away should have produced an immediate outbreak of serenity and brotherly love. Evangelist Billy Sunday had confidently predicted that "the slums will



Stephen Chapman

soon be a memory. We will turn our prisons into factories and our jails into storehouses and corncribs... hell will be forever or rent."

In fact, hell almost had to put out a "No Vacancy" sign. After 1920, the murder rate rose nearly every year, finally peaking at 9.7 per 100,000 people, an increase of 43 percent. The peak was Prohibition. Upon its repeal, homicides promptly began a sustained decline, as did other crimes, as did the occupancy rate in the Hades Hyatt.

Less serious offenses also multiplied while the ban was being enforced. Mark Thornton, an economist at Auburn University, points out in a recent study for the Cato Institute in Washington that in 30 major cities, arrests for drunkenness and disorderly conduct rose by 41 percent, while drunk driving arrests increased by 81 percent.

Prohibition was a failure in every way, including the most basic: It didn't even reduce drinking. After a sharp initial drop, Thornton found, the amount of alcohol consumed by Americans rose — even though it had been declining steadily in the years before Prohibition. Drinkers abandoned their

beer for fortified wines and distilled spirits.

The increase didn't happen because law enforcement authorities weren't trying. In the 1920s alone, they made half a million arrests and convicted 300,000 people of violating the ban on the sale, manufacture and transport of liquor. But defiance of the law was so widespread that there were more illegal speakeasies than there had ever been legal saloons.

Bennett's claim that Prohibition was a boon to health is wrong. There was a drop in deaths from cirrhosis of the liver — but it occurred during World War I, which ended in 1918, and reversed itself during the 1920s. Ethan Nadelmann, a Princeton University political scientist, has discovered that in New York state mental hospitals, admissions for alcohol psychosis climbed during the Prohibition period.

Nadelmann also points out that Britain made great progress against alcohol abuse during these years — even though it never outlawed demon rum. Deaths from cirrhosis of the liver subsided in the United Kingdom throughout the 1920s and 1930s, the opposite of the American experience.

As Bennett said, there are vital lessons to be learned from Prohibition, but not the one he finds. One is that people who want illicit substances will find ways to get them whatever the law says. Another is that efforts to prevent them will not only fail but will produce even worse side effects.

Like Prohibition, the war on drugs has failed to eradicate the evil it targets; like Prohibition, it has stimulated violent crime, enriched criminals, squandered law enforcement dollars and promoted disrespect for the law. Unlike Prohibition, it's still going on; with no end in sight.



Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 17, the 260th day of 1991. There are 105 days left in the year. Yom Kippur, the Jewish Day of Atonement, begins at sunset.

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In 1862, Union forces hurled back a Confederate invasion of Maryland in the Civil War Battle of Antietam.

In 1939, the Soviet Union invaded Poland, more than two weeks after Nazi Germany launched its pre-emptive assault.

In 1947, James Forrestal was sworn in as the first U.S. Secretary of Defense.

In 1948, the U.N. mediator for Palestine, Count Folke Bernadotte was assassinated in Jerusalem by Jewish extremists.

Bands with names that shame

For some strange reasons I read a newspaper review of what I think was a musical performance, if you can call it that.

It was titled "Lollapalooza." The reviewers called it, "... Seven hours of rock, punk, funk (and) rap in the sun ..."

Continued the reviewer, "Youthful fans fuzzi-busting in Panama City, Fla., or Greenwood, S.C., had their favorites — Ice-T with his sexually graphic call-and-response and all-black speed-rock outfit Body Count or Jane's Addiction, with their Led Zep riffs and art-damage mythos but the integrity was consistently amped to the maximum ..."

I read that paragraph at least 10 times, but, stupid me, I couldn't make any sense of it.

So I asked a friend to read it and see if he could grasp anything. He said, "I think it means the show was loud."

Oh.

I finished the review and I wondered whatever happened to the Ink Spots, the Drifters, the Beach Boys, the McGuire Sisters, or even the Beatles as names for musical performers.

Allow me to give you a few of the names of the groups that performed in "Lollapalooza." I already mentioned Jane's Addiction, Ice-T and Body Count.

But what about this one?
"Trent Reznor and his Chicago noise-merchants



Lewis Grizzard

Nine Inch Nails." The reviewers said the Nine Inch Nails "... sandblasted (the amphitheater) with a five guitar frontline of shattering, propulsive grooves that threatened to scare bolts loose from timber."

They were loud.
Nine Inch Nails. And Siouxsie Sioux of Siouxsie and the Banches.

OK.
But then I read the following paragraph: "Revolution means almost nothing in the face of Gibby Haynes, slack-jawed vocalist of Texas surrealists the Butthole Surfers."

You read that correctly. "The Butthole Surfers." That was the name of the group, and I think, no, I am absolutely certain it's the first time I've ever seen that word in any newspaper. Once, we were told, "Never use any word in the paper you wouldn't say in front of your mother."

I use it now because I am quoting from a previous edition of my own newspaper, and my mother is dead. God rest her.

What, indeed, is happening out there? We'll just stick to music.

Groups once had clean names. Happy names. Musical names. The Tuneweavers, Dion and the Belmonts, Paul and Paula, The Coasters, even Dickie Do and the Don'ts, even Ned Nasal and His Nine Nasty Nosepickers.

Even that's better than the Butthole Surfers. Lots better.

What does that name mean? How did the group come up with that name? What do their parents think about that name? My inquiring mind wants to know.

The review went on to say that the slack-jawed vocalist Gibby Haynes "... (discharged) a sawed-off shotgun for percussive effect while Mr. Reznor (of Nine Inch Nails) and company exhorted the crowd to commune in a sound-soaked sweat bath."

What on earth does that mean?

"I think it means he wanted everybody to rub against one another," said my friend, the interpreter.

"Butthole" has now appeared in the newspapers five times. Once by the reviewers of "Lollapalooza" and four times by me.

Whatever became of decency. It must be hiding somewhere in a butthole, and that makes six.

Berry's World



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"Welcome to Tiananmen Square, defecting comrade Soviet Communist Party official."

There are some good things on TV

By SARAH OVERSTREET

When the latest nationwide scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test were announced recently, educators found two disturbing trends:

First, scores for all students dropped an average of two points on both the verbal and the mathematics sections.

Second, children of wealthy and middle-income parents consistently scored more than 100 points higher than their low-income counterparts.

Educators cite a variety of reasons for the disparity. One is that students from higher-income families usually take challenging college-prep courses while lower-income students choose easier ones. Another factor is the greater life experiences and vocabulary available to kids from families with more money.

Those particular factors were ever thus. When I was in school, the parents in my blue-collar neighborhood didn't offer us the life or learning experiences the kids on the other side of town got.

A lot of our folks hoped we'd go to college, but they weren't always savvy enough to be able to guide us into subject choices that would better prepare us. Still, our SAT scores went up a little every year.

Yet there is one dynamic of SAT results I suspect may have differed greatly between my generation and the current one: Educators lamenting the newest scores added the admonition to parents to turn off the VCR and put the Nintendo back in the box.

It isn't that the doomsayers hadn't started when I was a kid, because we did hear that TV would eventually Jello-ize us right where we sat on our couches, just before it turned us into career criminals. But the argument was largely being preached to the saved at that time.

Television watching by children was largely limited to Saturday morning cartoon binges, and parents had the audacity to monopolize the one-family set to watch something they wanted to watch.

Before we could watch TV during

the week, we had to offer up some kind of proof that we'd finished our homework. If we didn't, they were likely to swoop in and flip off our sets on the grounds that we were WATCHING TOO MUCH TV!, and that varied by parental whim.

I think they behaved that way because, when television was young, it was just too much passivity for a generation of parents who'd had to rely on entertaining themselves.

Whatever the reasons, we were ushered away from it regularly and forced to play outside, read a book or perhaps translate the latest issue of *Mad* magazine into pig Latin, just as long as we weren't sitting motionless in front of the TV.

This may sound odd coming from someone who works on TV, but I don't think so. There are educational and cultural opportunities to enrich any age on TV now, the kind we only dreamed about when I was being turned away from 77 *Sunset Strip* and back to my room to bedevil Barbie and Ken.

PBS has plenty of them, and the

cable television industry has formed an alliance of networks and operators committed to quality education and arts called "Cable in the Classroom." They're investing millions of dollars into producing this programming, providing cable to schools free of charge, hiring professionals to act as liaisons between the cable network and teachers and parents, and giving out program information kids can take home.

The trouble is, not many parents use these new resources as they are intended. Very few parents are actually sitting down with program guides and discussing options with their kids-saying "no" to choices they don't think are right for their kids, setting limits on viewing times and sometimes sending them off to activities that require more than just minimum brain function and eyeball movement.

Quality television programming has come of age, but we parents are still using its conduit as a low-rent baby sitter.

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Lifestyles

This buggy is clean!



Getting prepared to wash all the cars in Pampa are left, Stacie Johnson, Kerrey Brown, and Tammy Bruce of Pampa High School Choir. The free carwash is planned for Sept. 21 in the NBC Bank parking lot from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Proceeds from the pledges for the carwash will be used for the choir's activities and the spring trip.

(Staff photo by Stan Pollard)

Plans underway to open Crisis Pregnancy Center in Pampa

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
Lifestyles Editor

Plans are being made to open a Crisis Pregnancy Center (CPC) in Pampa, according to initiator Sheila Mick. The proposed center, an affiliate of Christian Action Council (CAC), seeks to provide free pregnancy testing, counseling and support to women with unexpected pregnancies.

A planning meeting was held Monday night at Lovett Library with 22 people attending. A steering committee for the proposed center was selected.

Mick said that the idea for opening a center came to her after attending a CAC-sponsored training session on handling crises. Part of the seminar dealt with crisis pregnancies, though crisis training is applicable to other situations, she said. Mick said she wanted to open a CPC but felt that she didn't have the self-confidence to begin the process of doing so. She said, "The Lord just inspired me that it was now time to just do it. 'Just do it' were the very words He said to me."

Coincidentally, Kathryn Green contacted Mick, though not in connection with CPC's. Green, formerly of Gallup, N.M., is new to Pampa, and was looking to make contact with any Pampa resident to learn about general community life. Mick's name came to Green through a mutual acquaintance in Amarillo. When Green contacted Mick, the conversation turned to CPCs and they discovered a common interest — for eight years, Green was associated with a CPC in Gallup, the last five years as a volunteer director.

Mick ordered a book from CAC, and with the encouragement of Green, Karen McGahan, and Mick's pastor, Lyndon Glaesman, began to follow the steps outlined in the book for opening a CPC.

Mick said that she visited about 20 pastors in Pampa, disseminating CAC/CPC information. She said about 15 volunteers have called her to offer their services.

The next step in the process,

Short bits

Authorities in Mexico found the body of kidnapped U.S. drug agent Enrique Camarena Salazar and a Mexican pilot in 1985 at a ranch east of Guadalajara.

The Gnadenhütten massacre took place in 1782 as some 90 Indians who had converted to Christianity were slain by militiamen in Ohio in retaliation for raids carried out by other Indians.

U.S. Commodore Matthew C. Perry made his second landing in Japan in 1854, and within a month he concluded a treaty with them.

Millard Fillmore, the 13th president of the United States, died in 1874 in Buffalo, N.Y.

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Mick said, is making a survey of community agencies in the position to help those with crisis pregnancies.

Green explained the goals of a CPC. She said a CPC wants to help women who are in a crisis pregnancy situation to make an educated and best for her decision about the pregnancy.

The counseling process is the same, said Green, whatever the client's situation. First there is a free pregnancy test. She emphasized that volunteers with CPC are not diagnosing pregnancy, but lay counselors who help a woman run a pregnancy test. Should the test be positive, Green said, the next step is listening. That is, to let the woman define what about the pregnancy is a crisis. If the crisis is primarily economic, she may be referred to appropriate human service agency. About an unmarried woman, she said that the listening process still applies. The counselor may help a young unmarried girl tell her parents about the pregnancy. "We want to go the whole nine yards with this girl," she said. If a woman is married, the counselor, after the pregnancy test and listening process, may suggest getting the woman's husband involved.

However, Green emphasized, all CPC services besides being free, are strictly confidential. She said CPC volunteers are strictly bound by a code of confidentiality, and it is not their responsibility to call parents, husbands or boyfriends of clients. She said, "They shouldn't call us

either."

Another part of the counseling process involves a film presentation. "A Matter of Choice" is one which was often used in the Gallup, N.M. CPC, and which Green said gives both sides of the issue. In the film, a reporter interviews a physician who does abortions, then interviews an abortion clinic director, women who've had abortions, and a nurse who once assisted with abortions. The film includes a segment of an actual abortion performed by the doctor interviewed in the opening part of the film. She said other films are available, also.

After the film, Green said counselors talk to the woman about her decision. She said, "We want her to leave knowing the best choice for her." Green said that they want the woman to know what is in store for her if she keeps her child, puts her child up for adoption, or chooses abortion.

"The main goal of CPC," she said, "is to let that girl know we care and what ever she decides we're there for her and there is no condemnation in her decision."

Green said that most women come for the free pregnancy test. She said they know abortion is an option when they come to CPC, but they are just not quite sure about it. "I think they are ambivalent. They need someone to listen and help," she said.

Goals for the fledgling agency include establishing a 24 hour, seven day a week, hotline manned by volunteers, offering post-abortion

There's a whole lot of fakin' going on!

DEAR ABBY: Please tell "B in Dallas" her confession about faking orgasms made my day, my month, my year! I know that God will forgive me this small deception. Actually, it's an act of kindness; it makes my husband feel so virile and masculine. I truly love him, so it's no great sacrifice on my part.

MISSOURI FAKER

DEAR ABBY: Why "fake it"? Enjoy it! I was married to the same man for nearly 50 years and my sex life died when he did. I'm a great-grandmother now, but if I could find a nice clean man between 70 and 80, believe me, I wouldn't have to fake it. Please don't use my name. I live in a senior citizens complex, and if my neighbors knew I wrote this, they'd have a coronary.

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: All the world is a stage, and everybody fakes enjoyment of something at some time. Some husbands fake enjoyment of opera, the symphony, ballroom dancing and other activities their wives relish. Unselfish people are accustomed to accommodating others.

A MALE'S PERSPECTIVE



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I simply submit to sex as my wifely obligation to "service" my lusty husband. To him, sex is just another bodily function. I always leave the lights on so I can read something until he's finished.

SUBMITTING, NOT FAKING

DEAR ABBY: Hooray for "B in Dallas" for admitting she's "faking it." I'm a 55-year-old woman, married for 33 years, and I've had enough sex to last me a lifetime. But I'm starving for love!

BEL AIR FAKER

DEAR ABBY: I don't have to fake it anymore "just to get it over with." Sex is great now that the kids are out of the house and I'm no longer on the Pill.

PARADISE VALLEY, ARIZ.

DEAR ABBY: Those fakers out there should quit blaming the man. If they have to "fake it," they just aren't willing to figure out what feels good — and then explain it to their partner. The man is going to have a good time whether she fakes it or not.

Woody Allen once said, "The first organ a person must use to achieve sexual satisfaction is the brain."

TOM IN MICHIGAN

DEAR ABBY: I am a 55-year old woman and have been married twice, and I'm not sure I've ever experienced an orgasm. Oh, I may have had one once when I was 17, and I was so overcome, I nearly blacked out. It's just as well it never happened again.

MARIE IN MADISON

DEAR ABBY: I can't get over the letter from the middle-aged man who was bemoaning the fact that his middle-aged wife of 16 years had confessed on her wedding night that she had had four previous boyfriends (lovers) before she married him. His

whole life was "haunted" by these thoughts of his wife's premarital affairs, and he kept wondering what his wife was thinking about while he was having sex with her — and if perhaps she was comparing his performance to the other men she has had.

Well, I have news for this guy. In all likelihood, the only thing on his wife's mind during sex is whatever work she had left undone at the office that day, or the upcoming visit to the school guidance counselor about Johnny's grades, or where they were going to get the money to pay the IRS come April 15, or how she is going to squeeze her mother-in-law's grocery shopping between Janie's acrobatics class and Saturday night's choir practice.

Did he marry his wife solely for sex? And suppose he does actually run into one of her old lovers — does he actually believe the guy will even remember her name after 16 years, let alone bring up the subject in conversation? Let's face it, Abby, if the sparks were that terrific 16 years ago, it only confirms his excellent judgment in getting a ring on her finger and a permanent commitment from so desirable a female.

MRS. G.J. IN OCALA, FLA.

DEAR G.J.: Thanks. You make an excellent point.

DEAR ABBY: I don't understand what you mean when you tell girls: "Save yourself for the man you marry." How does a girl know WHICH man she's going to marry? I have gone with five different guys at five different times, and I thought I was going to marry all of them, but I'm still single.

Will you please explain what you mean?

STILL SINGLE

DEAR SINGLE: I mean, save yourself for the man you marry — not the man you marry.

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Sports

Oilers' Moon eclipses Chiefs

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston's passing duo of Warren Moon and Haywood Jeffires came back to haunt the Kansas City Chiefs, but it was Moon who was scared.

Last December, Moon passed for 527 yards — second-best total in NFL history — and Jeffires caught nine passes for 245 yards in a 27-10 victory over the Chiefs.

The same combination worked Monday night when Moon completed eight straight passes in a go-

ahead touchdown drive, five of them to Jeffires, capped by a four-yard touchdown pass that led the Oilers to a 17-7 victory.

But Moon had an uneasy feeling prior to the game.

"I was nervous about this game because of all the expectations," Moon said. "Everyone was talking about doing the same thing we did last year. I was afraid the expectations would be too high because repeating a game like that is highly unlikely."

The Chiefs, determined that history would not repeat with another big game for Moon, held the Oiler quarterback to 63 yards passing in the first half. But Houston coach Jack Pardee changed the passing game at halftime.

"It was one of the most physical games I've been involved in in quite a while. It put a lot of pressure on me," Moon said. "We decided I had to get rid of the ball quicker in the second half."

Houston's defense once again made the big plays that the Oilers started toward their third straight victory — unprecedented in club history to start a season.

Scott Kozak's hit jarred the ball from Fred Jones on a punt return and rookie Mike Dumas recovered at the Kansas City 27 in the first quarter.

Two pass interference penalties against the Chiefs and two 7-yard passes by Moon gave the Oilers a first down at the Kansas City 1.

But it took three tries before Pinkett broke the plane of the goal line for a touchdown with 3:59 left in the period.

The Chiefs, scoreless in the first half in two games this season, tied the game with 27 seconds left in the half on a 2-yard run by Christian Okoye. He finished with 15 bullish runs for 75 yards.

"You just try to get a body in front of him and pull him down," Oilers coach Jack Pardee said. "It seems like he gets faster every time I see him."

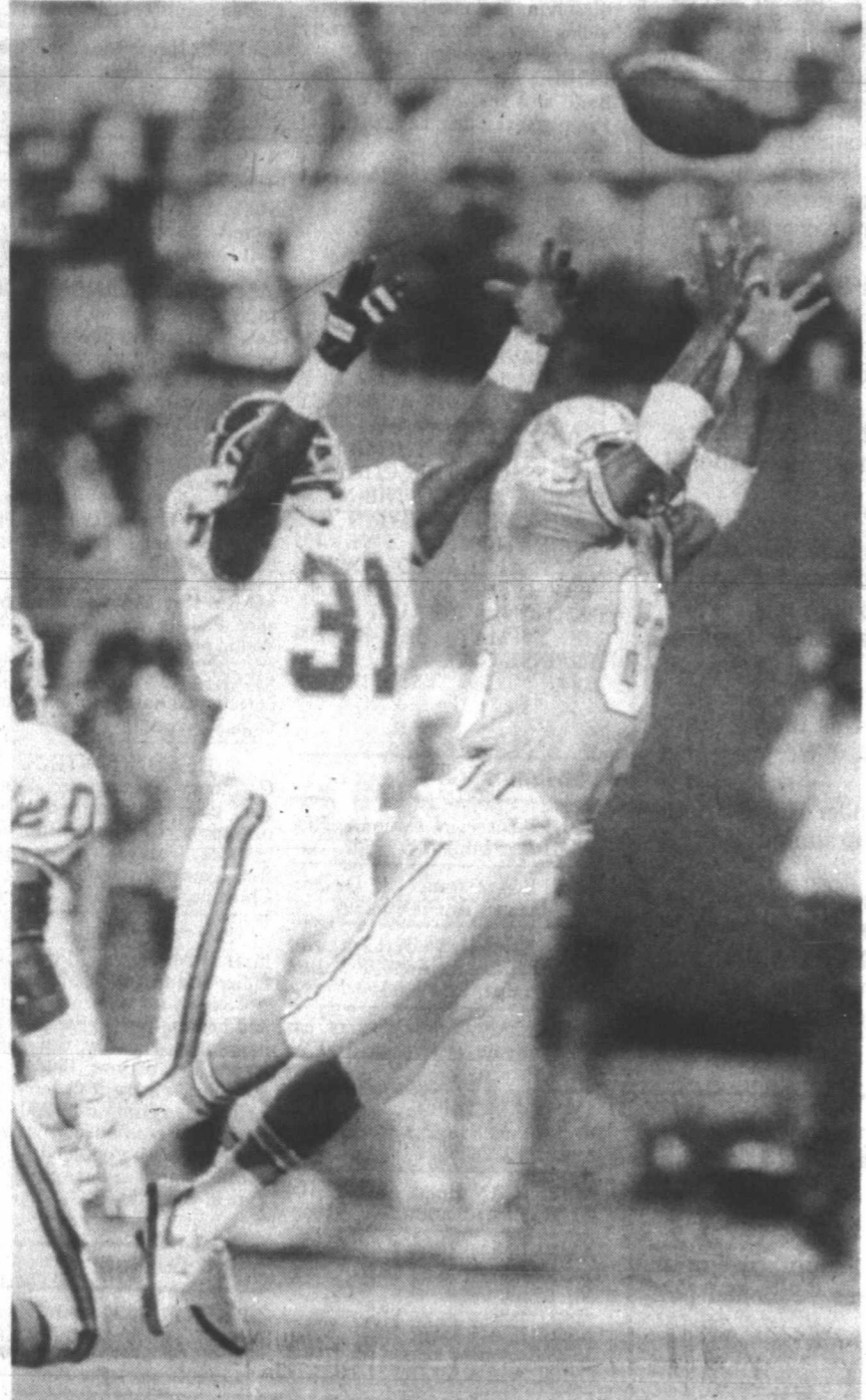
Moon and Jeffires thwarted the Chiefs in the third quarter long enough to regain the lead with a series of short-range passes. Moon completed 12 straight passes, including the eight in a row during the go-ahead touchdown drive.

Steve DeBerg and the Chiefs threatened again after the Oilers took a 14-7 lead, but Kris Dishman ended the charge by intercepting a DeBerg pass in the end zone intended for Fred Jones.

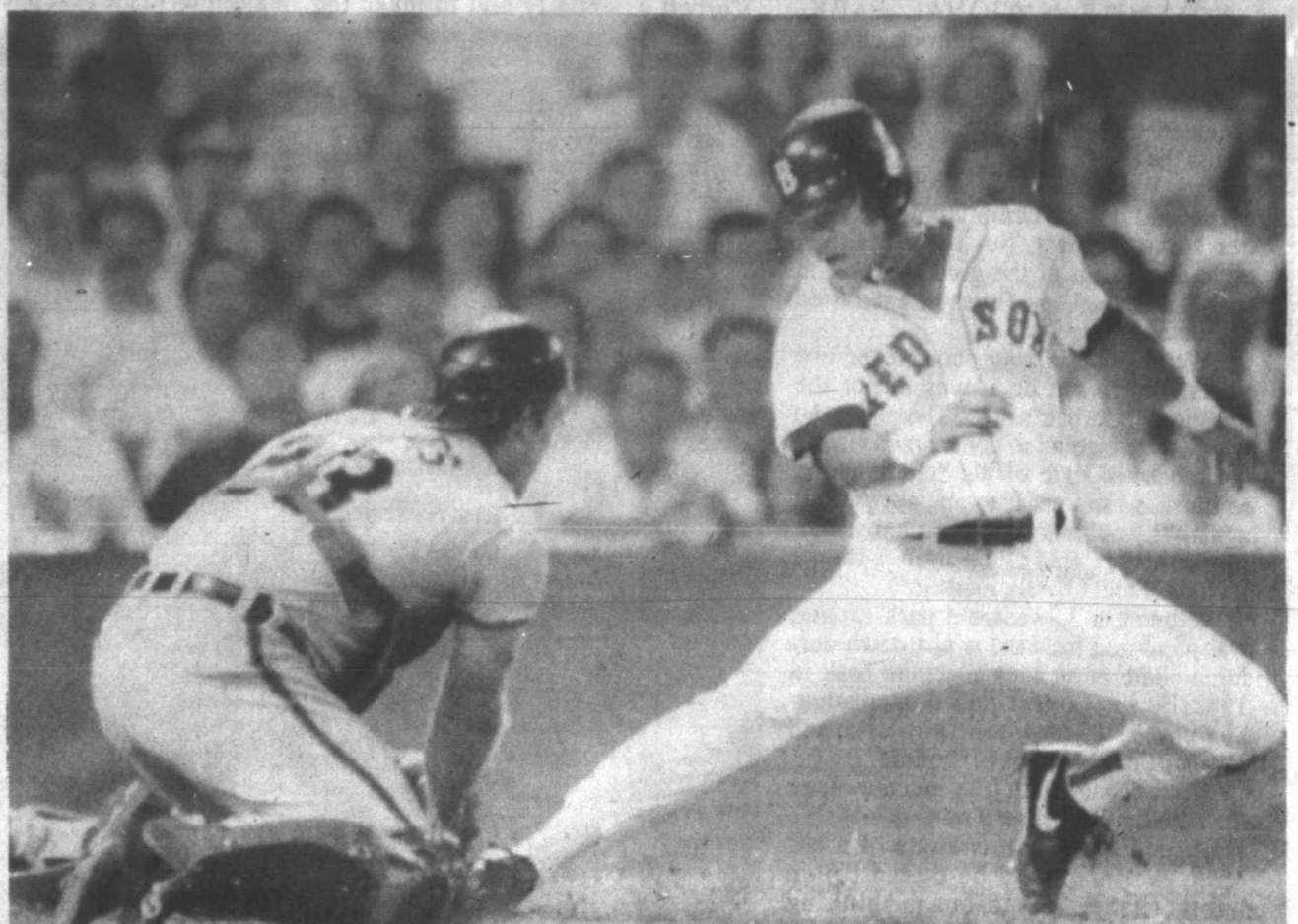
Ian Howfield kicked a 23-yard field goal with 21 seconds left for the final margin.

"I just took a shot, actually I thought it was a touchdown," DeBerg said of his pass towards Jones. "From where I was, I thought he came down with it."

Chiefs coach Marty Schottenheimer said he was pleased with his team's progress.



Houston's Drew Hill, right, stretches high in the end zone for a Warren Moon pass as Chiefs' Marcus Robertson defends.



Boston Red Sox Luis Rivera tries to stretch his leg in, but Baltimore Orioles catcher Chris Hoiles is there with the tag at home during third-inning action.

Orioles clobber Red Sox; Oakland clips Blue Jays

BOSTON (AP) — Randy Milligan hit two homers and Mike Devereaux and Chris Hoiles also connected as the Baltimore Orioles dealt the second-place Boston Red Sox another blow with a 9-2 victory Monday night.

Boston began the day 3 1/2 games behind AL East-leading Toronto and ended it that way. The Red Sox lost for just the third time in 13 games.

Cal Ripken doubled and singled twice as Baltimore rapped 16 hits. The Orioles have won six of eight.

Rookie Mike Mussina (4-4) scattered 10 hits in his first complete game. He struck out three and did not walk a batter.

Tom Bolton (8-8), making his first start since July 21, allowed five hits and four runs in three innings.

Bolton blanked Baltimore on just a bunt single by Luis Mercedes for the first two innings. But Mercedes began the third with a single off Bolton's glove and Devereaux hit his 19th homer into the Orioles' bullpen in right.

Ripken followed with a single and Milligan later lined a 3-2 pitch into the screen in left for his 15th homer.

Hoiles hit reliever Dennis Lamp's first pitch in the fourth into the screen for his 10th homer.

Baltimore tagged Lamp for three runs in the fifth. Glenn Davis had an RBI double and Hoiles an RBI single and another scored on an error by shortstop Luis Rivera.

Milligan opened the seventh with his 16th homer, a high drive into the screen against Dana Kiecker.

The Red Sox scored in the fourth

on Mike Greenwell's pop-fly double and a single by Carlos Quintana. Boston got another run in the sixth on Jody Reed's double and Greenwell's bloop, two-out single.

All season long, the Toronto Blue Jays have been able to count on their bullpen.

However, it failed in the late innings as Toronto wasted a chance to increase its AL East lead.

"We aren't used to losing many games like that," Blue Jays starter Jimmy Key said.

The Mariners scored twice in the eighth against Henke and Ward to tie it at 4. After Toronto got a run in the 10th, Seattle came back again and evened it against Timlin. In the 11th, O'Brien hit his 13th home run off MacDonald (3-3).

O'Brien won it moments later.

"I was up there mainly to get a hit and get on base," O'Brien said. "I've never hit a home run thinking home run."

In other games, Minnesota defeated Kansas City 9-0 and Milwaukee beat New York 5-4.

Twins 9, Royals 0

Kevin Tapani shut down Minnesota on three hits for 7 1-3 innings and Paul Abbott finished with hitless relief as Minnesota romped past Kansas City at the Metrodome.

The Twins, who lost three of four games in a weekend series in Texas, rapped Mark Gubicza (8-10) for eight runs in five innings. Brian Harper hit a three-run homer and Mike Pagliarulo drove in two runs.

Tapani (15-8) has won 13 of his last 15.

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Robin Yount, celebrating his 36th birthday, hit a two-run single that fed Milwaukee over New York.

The Brewers ended their six-game road losing streak. The Yankees turned five double plays, but still were eliminated from the AL East race.

Tied at 2, Milwaukee loaded the bases in the fifth inning against Wade Taylor (7-10). Yount hit a two-run single and Greg Vaughn followed with a sacrifice fly.

Yount got two hits, raising his career total to 2,870. He needs three more to pass Babe Ruth and two more to catch Jesse Burkett for 27th place all-time.

Mark Lee (2-4) won in relief and Doug Henry pitched one inning for his eighth save.

American League

"If he could have put the ball on a tee, it would have been right where I threw it," MacDonald said. "For whatever reason, the bullpen didn't do its job."

Joe Carter's RBI single put Toronto ahead in the 10th. The Mariners rallied to tie it at 5 when Edgar Martinez singled, Harold Reynolds sacrificed and Griffey followed with a single.

"You get a run in and you should be able to shut them down," Toronto interim manager Gene Tenace said.

Russ Swan (5-2) got the last out in the top on the 11th, and

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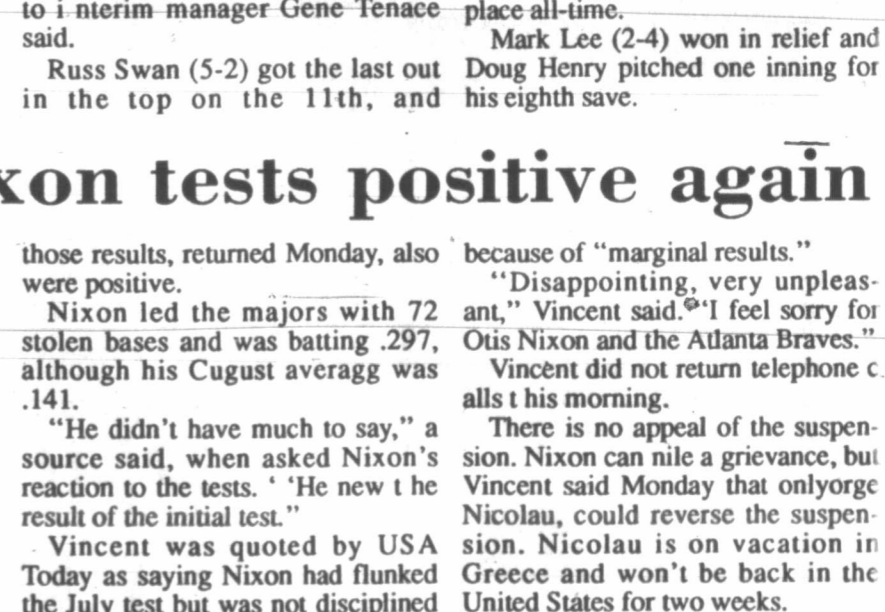
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"It was embarrassing."

In 31 years of NFL play, the Cowboys never had a worse offensive afternoon than the one they had Sunday during the Eagles' 24-0 victory.

On Monday, quarterback Troy Aikman and his offensive line were still trying to figure out what happened. The horrific numbers included 11 sacks for 67 yards in losses, three interceptions and a grand total of 90 yards offense — 45 of those passing.

"It was pitiful," said wide receiver Michael Irvin.

"It seems like they were everywhere," added Aikman.

Nothing worked for the Cowboys.

"I tried yelling at them early on," Aikman said. "I'm not looking at our linemen when I drop back to throw, but I'd say some of our guys were getting beat."

Running back Emmitt Smith, who led the NFC in rushing, gained only 44 yards as the Eagles shut down all of the Cowboys' offensive weapons.


Even the Eagles seemed stunned by the ease of their victory.

"I'm really surprised at the way Dallas played," said Eagles wide receiver Fred Barnett. "I just couldn't believe it because they're a better team than they showed."

Clyde Simmons had four and one-half sacks against Aikman, who barely got time to cock his arm before he was blasted to the Texas Stadium artificial turf.

Philadelphia quarterback Jim McMahon, who threw two touchdown passes, had no sympathy for Aikman's bruising day.

"I don't feel sorry for Troy," McMahon said. "The same thing happened to me last week against Phoenix and nobody felt sorry for me, either. That's just part of the deal."



IN THE ROUGH

BY RICK CLARK

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HIDDEN HILLS...Howard Musgrave had a Hole in One on number 15.
Bill Bray holed out a 7 iron from 120 yards for a birdie 3 on number 3.
Until next week, SEE YA IN THE ROUGH.

Paraplegic climber scales Half Dome

By MARK EVANS
Associated Press Writer

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — A paraplegic rock climber who used his arms to clamber to the 2,200-foot summit of Half Dome has dreamed up another challenge: skiing across the Sierra Nevada.

Mark Wellman on Monday completed his second major climb alongside partner Mike Corbett, but their planned eight-day ascent of the granite monolith took 13 days. They finished exhausted but elated.

"We've been talking about it for two years, and to not do it was out of the question," Corbett said. "There was no way we were going to come down."

Corbett, in spite of his determination to finish, wasn't eager to attempt the feat again. "I wouldn't want to push myself any farther. It was much harder than I thought. I feel I barely made it."

Wellman, a 31-year-old park ranger, was paralyzed from the waist down during a climb of another Yosemite peak in 1982. He and Corbett gained international fame in 1989 when they climbed Yosemite's 3,300-foot El Capitan.

"The second summit is much sweeter than the first," Wellman said.

Beyond immediate visions of a hot bath, Wellman said he doesn't plan another major climb but is thinking about skiing across the Sierra Nevada in winter.

The pair reached the summit 8,800 feet above sea level Monday afternoon. Corbett, 37, poured a bottle of champagne over his own head while Wellman doused a group of people who were waiting to greet them, including his girlfriend, Paulette Irving.

"It's good to see you on top. I wish I was there with you," said Corbett's wife, Nikyra, wiping away a tear as she talked with him from the Yosemite Valley floor through a television link. She is expecting the couple's first child in six weeks.

Tension ran high during the final part of the climbers' ascent because they were tired and almost out of water. Before resuming the climb, they split a breakfast bar, the last of the food they took with them.

With Corbett leading, they had to inch up the final 75 feet of Half Dome's sheer vertical face to reach the summit. Part of

that climb required them to swing out on their rope 8 to 10 feet from the wall to get above an overhang.

Corbett essentially had to make the

climb twice — once to set pitons, then returning to their former location to haul up the equipment after Wellman pulled himself up to the next pitch.



Paraplegic climber Mark Wellman is carried by Ted Farmer as Wellman, and Mike Corbett, at right, finished their epic scaling Monday of Yosemite's Half Dome.

Canada keeps Canada Cup

HAMILTON, Ontario (AP) — The payoff was emotional rather than financial.

There'll be no check in the mail for the determined players who won the Canada Cup hockey tournament for the host country for the third straight time and the fourth in five.

What they got after six weeks of sweat and toil, including victories of 4-1 Saturday and 4-2 Monday night over the United States was traveling expenses, a per diem, a gold medal, the privilege of playing for their country and a lot of lasting friendships.

"The pressure was unbelievable from Day 1," said veteran defenseman Larry Murphy, one of seven returnees from Canada's '87 championship team. "We were expected to win and this is almost a case on being relieved that we actually did it. This is a great honor. It's a cherished moment."

It was also the first time a team in the six-country event has gone undefeated (6-0-2).

"Canada should be proud of its hockey programs," said center Mark Messier, also a part of the '87 club. "Canada hasn't lost a Cup series since '81. This is a great team."

Scrappy forward Brendan Shanahan got his first taste of international glory.

"Describe this?" he replied when asked to put his feelings into words. "This is it. This is a dream. I haven't won anything since high school."

The Americans made the final for the first time and put up a gallant fight.

"The intensity was there," said captain Joel Otto. "We gave it a shot."

Canadian goaltender Bill Ranford was named the tournament's most valuable player.

He showed why he earned the honor by making two huge saves in the clincher, off Kevin Miller and Otto, in the fourth minute. Had the U.S. scored, the outcome might have been different.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF GRAY
TO: BRENDA LEA BRADFORD, Respondent(s)
GREETINGS: YOU ARE HERE BY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable District Court, 223rd Judicial District, Gray County, Texas at the Court house thereof, in Pampa, Texas, by filing a written answer, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days from the date of service of this citation then and there to answer the Petition of BRENT J. BRADFORD filed in said Court on the 12th day of June, 1991, against BRENDA LEA BRADFORD, Respondent(s) and said suit being numbered 27776 on the docket of said Court, and entitled: IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF BRENT J. BRADFORD AND BRENDA LEA BRADFORD the nature of which suit is a request for DIVORCE. The Court has authority to decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you. ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of said Court at Pampa, Texas, this 12th day of September 1991.

Vickie Walls, Clerk
223rd District Court
Gray County, Texas
P.O. Box 1139
Pampa, Tx. 79066-1139
By Sue Reddell
Deputy

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YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. YOU MAY EMPLOY AN ATTORNEY. IF YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER WITH THE CLERK WHO ISSUED THIS CITATION BY 10:00 A.M. ON THE MONDAY NEXT FOLLOWING THE EXPIRATION OF TWENTY DAYS AFTER YOU WERE SERVED THIS CITATION AND PETITION, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU.
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1c Memorials

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ST. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Attn: Memorial/Honor Program FH, One St. Jude Place Bldg., P.O. Box 1000 Dept. 300, Memphis, Tenn. 38148-0552.

THE Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

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WHITE Deer Land Museum in Pampa, P.O. Box 1556, Pampa, Tx. 79066.

WHITE Deer Land Museum: Pampa, Tuesday thru Sunday 1:30-4 p.m. Special tours by appointment.

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2 Museums

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PIONEER West Museum: Shamrock. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, Saturday and Sunday.

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Major League Standings

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	81	64	.559	—
Boston	77	67	.535	3 1/2
Detroit	75	68	.524	5
Milwaukee	68	74	.479	11 1/2
New York	61	82	.427	19
Baltimore	61	83	.424	19 1/2
Cleveland	47	95	.331	32 1/2
West Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	87	58	.600	—
Chicago	79	66	.545	8
Texas	76	66	.535	9 1/2
Oakland	76	68	.528	10 1/2
Seattle	73	70	.510	13
Kansas City	72	71	.503	14
California	71	72	.497	15

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	86	58	.597	—
St. Louis	76	67	.531	9 1/2
Chicago	70	74	.486	16
New York	69	74	.483	16 1/2
Philadelphia	67	77	.465	19
Montreal	63	79	.444	22
West Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	82	62	.569	—
Los Angeles	82	63	.566	1/2
San Diego	74	71	.510	8 1/2
Cincinnati	70	74	.486	12
San Francisco	66	78	.458	16
Houston	58	86	.403	24

Monday's Games
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 0
Pittsburgh 5, Chicago 4
San Diego 6, Houston 1
San Francisco 8, Atlanta 5
Los Angeles 8, Cincinnati 5, 12 innings
Only games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
Montreal at New York, 2:50 p.m.
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 10:35 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Montreal (De Martinez 14-9) at Philadelphia (Muhlolland 14-11), 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis (B. Smith 11-8) at Pittsburgh (Walk 7-2), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Maddux 11-10) at New York (Viola 12-14), 7:40 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavine 18-10) at San Diego (Bones 4-3), 10:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Armstrong 7-11) at San Francisco (Wilson 10-10), 10:05 p.m.
Houston (Kile 7-9) at Los Angeles (Morgan 12-9), 10:35 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Cincinnati at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Houston at Los Angeles, 4:05 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.

Wheeler is ranked 4th

By The Associated Press

Here is The Associated Press Schoolboy Football Poll with season records, first place votes and points based on 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1:

Class 5A

1. Arlington Lamar (2-0) (16) 216
2. Dallas Carter (2-0) (6) 212
3. Alief Elsie (2-0) 165
4. Fort Bend Willowridge (2-0) 138
5. Huntsville (1-0-1) 134
6. Odessa Peroian (2-0) (1) 94

Class 4A

1. Bastrop (2-0) (14) 222
2. Waxahachie (2-0) (4) 196
3. Burkburnett (2-0) (3) 187
4. Houston C.E. King (2-0) (1) 154
5. f 1 %4 7 2 T 1 91
6. (tie) Austin Westlake (2-0) 90
6. West Orange-Stark (1-1) 90

Class 3A

1. Cuero (2-0) (19) 229
2. Sinton (2-0) (2) 196
3. Vernon (2-0) (2) 179
4. Southlake Carroll (2-0) (1) 170
5. Springtown (2-0) 136
6. Gilmer (2-0) 109
7. Fairfield (1-1) 58
8. Crockett (2-0) 32
9. Hamshire-Fannett (2-0) 27
10. Forney (2-0) 24

Class 2A

1. Schulenburg (2-0) (22) 239
 2. Celina (2-0) (2) 204
 3. Tidehaven (2-0) 177
 4. DeLeon (2-0) 146
 5. Abernathy (2-0) 129
- Class A
1. Garden City (2-0) (19) 233
 2. Thorndale (2-0) (2) 195
 3. Valley Mills (2-0) 165
 4. Wheeler (2-0) (2) 143
 5. Bartlett (2-0) (1) 137

Softball Standings

Standings and scores in the Pampa Fall Softball Leagues from Aug. 12 through Sept. 12 are listed below:

Men's Division Two				
Team	Won	Lost	Tie	Points
Harvey Mart	6	0	0	0
Specialty Compressor	6	2	0	0
Northrest Pharmacy	3	2	0	0
Culberson Stowers	2	4	0	0
Panhandle	2	6	0	0
Danny's Market	1	6	0	0

Scores: Specialty Compressor 15, Culberson Stowers 8; Harvey Mart 19, Danny's Market 4; Northrest Pharmacy 7, Specialty Compressor 1; Panhandle 18, Culberson Stowers 2; Danny's Market 13, Northrest Pharmacy 8.

Men's Division One				
Team	Won	Lost	Tie	Points
Deaver Construction	4	1	0	0
Moose Lodge	4	1	0	0
One Bull	5	3	0	0
Energas	3	2	0	0
Scarab Mfg.	4	4	0	0
UPS Teamsters	1	6	0	0
Farmers Insurance	1	6	0	0

Scores: Scarab Mfg. 17, Farmers Insurance 4; One Bull 26, UPS Teamsters 5; UPS Teamsters 23, Energas 12; Scarab Mfg. 19, One Bull 11; One Bull 18, UPS Teamsters 6; Deaver Construction 20, Farmers Insurance 2.

Mixed League				
Team	Won	Lost	Tie	Points
Mr. Gatti's	7	0	0	0</

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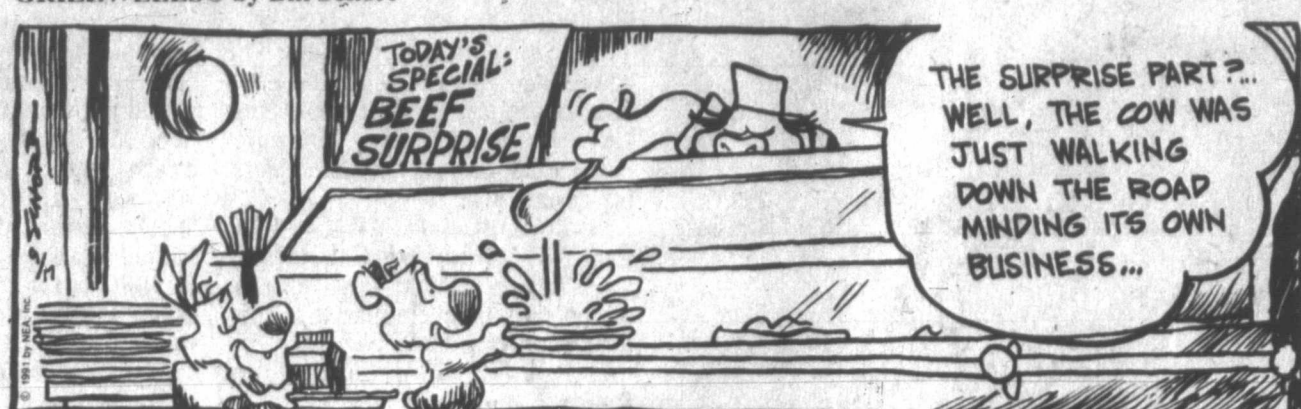
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Felicidad Noriega, wife of Manuel Noriega, leaves federal court in Miami Monday after hearing opening arguments for the prosecution. Prosecutors referred for the first time to two face-to-face meetings Noriega allegedly held with cartel leaders in Panama in 1982 and Columbia in 1983.

\$3 million man testifies in Noriega trial

By RICHARD COLE
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI (AP) — A former drug dealer with a \$3 million price on his head took the stand in Manuel Noriega's drug trial and recounted the workings of the Medellin cocaine cartel without mentioning the former Panamanian dictator.

Max Mermelstein, who said he imported 55 tons of cocaine into the United States, was first Monday in what is expected to be a long parade of traffickers-turned-informants to testify for the prosecution.

He was to return to the stand today.

Mermelstein, who is in the federal witness protection program, has said Colombia's Medellin cartel offered \$3 million for his death when he was arrested in 1985 and began cooperating with the U.S. government. He told the court he joined the cartel in the early 1980s.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler said the evidence was so direct and convincing that it was direct importation on our own airplanes," said Mermelstein, 47. "We had planes, ocean drops, cargo boats and body carriers."

He told of two 1981 meetings in Panama with cartel leaders, but did not mention Noriega. Mermelstein was expected to testify today that he never met the former Panamanian dictator, but saw his name in the cartel's payment ledgers.

Earlier Monday, lead prosecutor Michael Sullivan said in his

opening statement that Noriega was "just another crooked cop" who sold his nation to cocaine kingpins.

Noriega came to the Medellin cartel's attention in the late 1970s when he arrested smugglers and intercepted drug shipments, Sullivan said.

"The cartel chiefs sat down and said they were either going to eliminate him, or they were going to buy him," the prosecutor said. "They decided to buy him."

Also, prosecutors referred for the first time to two face-to-face meetings Noriega allegedly held with cartel leaders in Panama in 1982 and Columbia in 1983.

According to witnesses who will include the cartel's convicted U.S. manager, Carlos Lehder Rivas, Noriega received at least \$10 million from the cartel, the government has said.

Sullivan cautioned that jurors would not hear any evidence that Noriega ever directly touched or even saw the cocaine. Instead, he said, Noriega allowed protected cocaine flights to slip in and out of his country.

Noriega also protected illegal arms shipments and allowed drug profits to be funneled into secret Panamanian bank accounts, Sullivan said.

The defense delayed its opening statement until the prosecution rests, which could take months.

Sullivan never referred to defense arguments that Noriega's activities were tolerated or even

authorized by U.S. intelligence agencies, in part to help the Contra rebels in Nicaragua in the mid-1980s.

Computer security gap shown at Rocky Flats weapons plant

By STEVEN K. PAULSON
Associated Press Writer

GOLDEN, Colo. (AP) — Officials tightened computer security at the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant after top-secret bomb designs were left in an unsecured system.

Documents obtained by The Associated Press through the Freedom of Information Act show that Department of Energy computer systems nationwide may be vulnerable to intrusion.

Before officials at Rocky Flats improved security, bomb designs for almost every nuclear weapon in the nation's arsenal were placed by mistake in an unsecured computer, former Rocky Flats engineer Tom Courtney said.

He said the computer, which was supposed to contain only unclassified information and was accessible through phone lines, held the bomb plans for nearly a week several years ago before the error was discovered.

"For a week, all the bombs used by the United States were on an unclassified Vax. It was unbelievable," he said.

Other times, workers transferred bomb data from secured computers to unsecured computers, including personal computers, Courtney said. He said employees got tired of

repeated changes in computer systems at the plant and wanted to do their work on computers with which they were familiar.

The Rocky Flats computers are used to determine temperatures and techniques for forming bomb parts out of radioactive materials.

The computers also contain computer-aided pictures of completed bombs. Data in the computers would allow a knowledgeable engineer to compute the volume and exact shape of thermonuclear weapons, and could help Third World nations develop their own atomic weapons.

Bob Nelson, head of DOE operations at the Colorado plant, agreed that repeated changes in computer systems caused problems for engineers, but said "there is no indication we lost anything."

He said Rocky Flats officials are trying to standardize the systems and its software.

Courtney was fired several years ago on charges of accessing computers without proper authority, Nelson and Courtney both said. Courtney said he was blamed for something another employee did.

Nelson said only people with top-secret clearances can get access to both classified and unclassified computers. He said the unclassified computer is used by employees to do work at home on weekends. If a

hacker tries to break into that system by telephone, he said, "bells and whistles go off."

Nelson said the agency last year embarked on a \$37 million emergency security buildup at the recommendation of outside experts.

"We did find some things we didn't like, and we made changes," he said.

However, last October, the DOE's Computer Incident Advisory Capability board issued three bulletins, obtained by the AP, warning that sensitive information could be compromised by unauthorized entry into the computers.

Nelson said all the problems raised in the bulletins had been resolved, but computer experts interviewed by the AP said it would not be possible to make the computer systems tamper-proof.

The DOE refused to supply other documents requested by the AP, saying they contained information that would allow hackers to gain access to sensitive systems.

Nelson acknowledged it could be possible for a person with top-security clearance at Rocky Flats to gain unauthorized access to bomb information.

But he said most people with those clearances carry far more damaging information in their brains than they could obtain from the computer systems.

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