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Honest, Dad, he's a stray!



(Staff photo by Stan Pollard)

Wacey Mursell, 5, appears to be trying to convince his dad, Doug Mursell, that he should be able to keep a dog he had found for a pet. In reality, Wacey and the dog assist Mursell in his rodeo clown act. Mursell is also a bullfighter. *Pampa News* photographer Stan Pollard caught this little tableau while covering the Texas State High School Rodeo Association (TSHSRA) competition in Amarillo Saturday. Results of local participants in the rodeo will be printed in the Wednesday edition.

Comer excuses himself as prosecuting attorney in investigation of office

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
News Editor

District Attorney Harold Comer this morning signed a legal document disqualifying himself as prosecuting attorney in any matter related to a current investigation by the state Attorney General's office, a spokesman said today.

"I am speaking for Harold Comer but not as a lawyer because he does not need any lawyer," said Bill Waters, local attorney.

"Harold has this morning signed a motion to be filed with the 31st and 223rd judicial district courts to step aside in connection with an investigation by the Attorney General's office of the office of District Attorney.

At press time today, the district clerk's office had not received the motion to recuse. Recuse the action is defined in a legal dictionary as "disqualification of a judge because of a prejudice or interest."

"Mr. Comer will continue to act as district attorney in all other areas of responsibility and is stepping aside only in connection with an investigation of his office," Waters said. "In this connection, I would like



Harold Comer

to say that Mr. Comer welcomes the investigation and it is his feeling that facts are much to be preferred over speculation or rumor."

Waters said he was making the statement today on Comer's behalf as Comer's "long-time friend" and "because he feels it might be inappropriate for him to be personally commenting with respect to any matter in

which he is personally involved." Comer plans to cooperate fully with the Attorney General's investigation, Waters said, adding that the district attorney "intends to voluntarily make available to the Attorney General's office any and all of the records of the district attorney's office which may be desired for the investigation, as well as whatever personal business records may be pertinent."

Waters said that Comer had returned to work Thursday. The district attorney had been hospitalized and under a psychiatrist's care following a near head-on collision Oct. 19 near Canadian and a reported prescription drug overdose later that same day.

In an interview last week, Comer said that while home after the accident, he took three pain pills, prescribed by a dentist, and three tablets of Serax, a tranquilizer, along with a couple of beers, over a period of several hours.

"Mr. Comer is presently in his office having been released by his doctor to return to work," Waters said, "and is functioning as usual as district attorney in all matters with the sole exception of the subject investigation."

Bush, Gorbachev 'synchronize watches'

By TERENCE HUNT
AP White House Correspondent

MADRID, Spain (AP) - President Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev, in a prelude to Middle East peace talks, met today to "synchronize our watches" about arms control and the Soviet economy, and to provide a forceful push to end the hostility between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

At a joint news conference, Bush said he and the Soviet leader had agreed to renew arms control talks in the wake of unilateral cutbacks that each man announced following the abortive anti-Gorbachev coup last August.

"Our schedules are very close," Bush said of the U.S.-Soviet arms proposals. He said the two men want to go forward with ratification of two existing arms control treaties covering long-range nuclear weapons and conventional forces in Europe.

Gorbachev bristled when a Soviet reporter asked who was in charge in Moscow while he was in Spain. "I'm still the president," said the man who is confronting challenges to his power from restive republics. "Nobody's taking my place."

It looked like Bush didn't want anyone to, either. He complimented Gorbachev on the way he had answered questions when the news conference was over, and said, "You're still a master."

On the Middle East, Gorbachev vowed an active role for the two nations that are hosting the peace talks that begin on Wednesday. He said he and Bush would use "all the remedies at our disposal" to forge peace in a region torn by five wars in the last half-century.

During more than two hours of discussions, the two men also talked about possible food aid to the Soviet Union, which is in dire economic straits. Bush said "no specifics have been agreed on," and Gorbachev added that Western experts were still assessing Soviet needs.

The United States has pledged \$2.5 billion in credits over the past year, and Gorbachev has asked for an additional \$3.5 billion in loan guarantees and \$1 billion in food and medical aid.

Administration officials also said Bush was nearing

a decision on approving additional grain credits for Soviet purchases of American grain.

Yet, officials said there are lingering questions about how much assistance the Soviets need and whether it should be given to the central government or directly to the republics. There also is concern about bickering over a treaty to coordinate economic affairs.

Bush said the two men had discussed the Ukraine and other republics seeking independence from the central Soviet government. The president said some of the American food and medical aid would go to the republics, but sidestepped a question of whether that could include regions seeking to establish their own armies.

Despite U.S. hopes that nuclear weapons will be under the control of the central government, the Ukrainian parliament is insisting on joint control with Moscow of nuclear weapons based in the Ukraine.

Gorbachev and Bush were joining Spanish King Carlos and Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez for dinner later in the day.

Gorbachev said he and Bush had met to "synchronize our watches" on a full range of subjects.

It seemed a routine comment - yet remarkable because it underscored the extent to which the United States and the Soviet Union have become regular partners in a range of diplomatic initiatives ranging from arms control to the Middle East peace conference about to begin.

"We agreed that having opened this conference and having left Madrid we do not at all expect to be somewhere on the side," he said. "On the contrary, we expect to try to facilitate as much as possible" among Israel and Arab nations and Palestinians who will be seated at the table.

Bush brushed off several questions regarding the notion of Israel trading territory for Arab security guarantees, saying, "Let the parties work all this out." He said any comments by him could serve to interfere with the negotiations.

"This is too sensitive a time," he said, hours before Israel, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation were scheduled to convene for a ceremonial opening.

One man sentenced, charges dropped against two others in cocaine seizure

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

Two California residents had charges in an Interstate 40 cocaine seizure in March dismissed against them Monday in 31st District Court in Pampa while a third Californian was sentenced to 25 years in the state penitentiary.

Connie L. Stafko, 27, of Garden Grove, Calif., and Jorge A. Rodriguez Montoya, 26, of Los Angeles, Calif., had the indictments of aggravated possession of a controlled substance dismissed against them.

According to the dismissal recommended by the district attorney's office, there was insufficient evidence to prosecute the two. "There is no evi-

dence of an affirmative link between this defendant and the contraband," each of the dismissals stated.

Luis Garcia Cazares, 30, of Vista, Calif., was convicted of aggravated possession of a controlled substance and fined \$2,500 and sentenced to 25 years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice by District Judge M. Kent Sims. The terms of the sentence and fine were under a plea bargain arrangement with the state.

Cazares was given 88 days credit for time served.

Cazares was driving the 1991 Buick vehicle, which was stopped by Troopers Ronnie Shank and John Holland, two miles west of McLean

on March 10. According to the officers' statements in the court file, they both observed the three occupants of the rental vehicle to be acting scared and nervous.

Trooper Shank had pulled the vehicle over because he clocked Cazares driving 82 mph in a 65-mph zone. After a consent to search the vehicle was given, the troopers discovered the cocaine wrapped in five bundles in the trunk of the vehicle. The bundles were mixed with clothes, identified as belonging to Cazares, in the same suitcase.

According to a statement by Roy L. Murphy, a chemical analyst with the DPS laboratory in Amarillo, the five bundles contained 4,971.80 grams or 9.12 pounds of cocaine.

UT developing test for earlier detection of AIDS

AUSTIN (AP) - An early form of antibodies to the AIDS virus, which could lead to a new test to detect the fatal disease sooner, has been discovered by a University of Texas research team.

Miles Cloyd, a microbiologist at UT's Medical Branch in Galveston and leader of the researchers, said the test also would increase the safety of the nation's blood

supply and donated organs for transplant.

Cloyd said the new test should allow people to know four to six weeks after infection that they have the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Cloyd said the discovery of early antibodies to the virus, published in this month's issue of the scientific journal *Virology*, was the surprise

result of the team's study of about 50 gay men infected with the AIDS virus.

"It was serendipity," he said.

Within a control group who were thought to have not been exposed to the virus, four actually tested positive, Cloyd said. "And I just could not believe that (their immune systems) were not making antibodies. So I tested them in a different way."

Lottery amendment tops list for 1991 election controversy

EDITOR'S NOTE: Information in this story is provided about the first five propositions that will be on the Nov. 5 general election ballot. Information about the other constitutional amendments will appear in Wednesday and Thursday editions of *The Pampa News*.

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

Next Tuesday's general election is expected to draw a large number of Texas voters to the polls to vote on 13 constitutional amendments, with the most talked about amendment being the lottery issue.

Other amendments deal with authorizing bonds for more prison construction, exempting certain ad valorem taxes for enterprise zones, creating a Texas Ethics Commission and authorizing bonds to continue educational loans for students.

The following information about the first five propositions was provided by Secretary of State John Hannah Jr.

Proposition 1: "The constitutional amendment allowing home-rule cities with a population of 5,000 or less to amend their charters by popular vote."

Summary of Proposition 1: A

home-rule city is a city that is able to govern itself, generally through the actions of a city council or commission. To become a home-rule city, a city must have a population of at least 5,000, it must hold an election to become a home-rule city, and the measure must pass by a majority vote. Once a city becomes a home-rule city, it may adopt a charter, and this charter may be amended through an election every two years.

However, under current law, if the population of a home-rule city falls below 5,000, the city is no longer allowed to amend its charter. If passed, this amendment would allow home-rule cities whose populations have fallen below 5,000 to continue to amend their charters through elections.

Proposition 2: "The constitutional amendment mandating the repayment to the Department of Transportation of monies expended to assist the Texas Turnpike Authority in the construction, maintenance, and operations of turnpikes, toll roads and toll bridges."

Summary of Proposition 2: If passed, this amendment will allow the legislature to authorize the Texas Department of Transportation to spend money on turnpikes, toll

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roads or toll bridges of the Texas Turnpike Authority. The Department of Transportation may use any available money it has for this purpose.

However, if the Department of Transportation uses money from the state highway fund, this money must be replaced by money collected by the Texas Turnpike Authority from tolls and turnpike revenue. Currently, the state is not allowed to use any public money to build or maintain toll roads or turnpikes.

Proposition 3: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to further implement and enhance the administration of the veterans' housing assistance and land programs and to expand the investment authority of the Veterans' Land Board."

Summary of Proposition 3: If passed, the amendment would ease the restrictions on how the Veterans' Land Board can invest money from the Veterans' Land Fund and the

Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund. The board may invest any money that is not to be used for the payment of principal and interest on bonds, the purchase of lands, or the payment of expenses. In addition, the board is no longer limited to investing this money in bonds or securities of the federal government.

Proposition 4: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1.1 billion in general obligation bonds for acquiring, constructing or equipping new prisons or other punishment facilities to confine criminals, mental health and mental retardation institutions, and youth corrections institutions, for major repair or renovation of existing facilities of the institutions, and for the acquisition of, major repair or, renovation of other facilities for use as state prisons or other punishment facilities."

Summary of Proposition 4: If passed, this amendment will allow the state to issue up to \$1.1 billion

in general obligation bonds. The money from selling these bonds will be used to acquire, construct or equip new prisons and substance abuse facilities, mental health and mental retardation institutions, and youth corrections institutions. This money will also be used to repair and renovate existing facilities. The bonds and interest on the bonds will be paid from the first money coming into the state treasury that is not set aside by the state constitution for other purposes.

Note: A general obligation bond is a bond that is repaid from the state's general revenue fund. Most of the money in this fund comes from state taxes and fees.

Proposition 5: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the exemption for ad valorem taxes of certain property in an enterprise zone."

Summary of Proposition 5: This amendment deals with property owned by an individual or organization that does business in an enterprise zone. If passed, this amendment would allow a county, a junior college district or a municipality to exempt certain personal property from ad valorem taxation. To be exempt from this tax, the following conditions must be met:

- the property must be acquired or brought into the state in an enterprise zone to be forwarded outside the state.
- the property must be assembled, stored, repaired, maintained, manufactured, processed or fabricated in the enterprise zone.
- the property must be transported outside the state within 175 days after being acquired or brought into an enterprise zone.
- the person who acquired or brought the property into an enterprise zone is in a qualified business.

The purpose of this amendment is to encourage economic development in enterprise zones. Because some personal property will not be taxed, it will be less costly to operate a business in an enterprise zone.

Note: An ad valorem tax is a tax imposed on the value of the property. An enterprise zone is an area that has substantial poverty, unemployment and economic distress. A qualified business is a business that is actively engaged in a new business in the enterprise zone or is expanding a business that is already active in the enterprise zone. "Enterprise zones" and "qualified businesses" are designated by the Texas Department of Commerce.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

RUNYAN, Lucinda K. — 10:30 a.m., St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Great Bend, Kan.; 3:30 p.m., graveside, Maple Grove Cemetery, Wichita, Kan.

Obituaries

JEWEL HAYES

Jewel Hayes, 86, died Monday, Oct. 28, 1991. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. M.B. Smith, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hayes was born on Aug. 15, 1905, in Pauls Valley, Okla. She moved to Pampa in 1928 from Pauls Valley. She married Homer Hayes on Nov. 20, 1926; he preceded her in death in December 1956. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter-in-law, Joy Hayes of Pampa; one niece, Glenda Baumgardner of Oklahoma City, Okla.; two grandchildren, Kathy Hargrove of Odessa and James Hayes of Pampa; and three great-grandchildren.

ROSE HENLEY

WINTERS — Rose Henley, 69, mother of a Pampa resident, died Thursday, Oct. 24, 1991 in Winters. Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in the Winters Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Allen Henley of Winters; one daughter, Jaye Smith of Pampa; and two grandsons, Justin Smith of Pampa and Hilton Brown of Chicago, Ill., formerly of Pampa.

LUCINDA K. RUNYAN

GREAT BEND, Kan. — Lucinda K. Runyan, 75, mother of a White Deer, Texas, resident, died Sunday, Oct. 27, 1991 in Great Bend. Services are to be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Patrick's Catholic Church with the Rev. Dermot Theigh, officiating. Graveside services are to be at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at Maple Grove Cemetery in Wichita.

Mrs. Runyan was born Feb. 26, 1916, at West By, Mont. She married Nathan Davis on June 1, 1935, in Blackwell, Okla. He died Nov. 23, 1948. She then married William W. Runyan on Aug. 19, 1955, in Norman, Okla. He died on Feb. 27, 1982. She was a homemaker. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, the Alder Society and the VFW Auxiliary.

Survivors include three daughter, Pauline (Sue) Ingargiola of Wichita, Linn Eakin of White Deer, Texas, and Mary Malone of Great Bend; two brothers, Marvin Linn of Rockhill, S.C., and Wilford Linn of San Antonio, Texas; 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to St. Patrick's Catholic Church or to a favorite charity in care of Bryant-Christians Funeral Home, 1416 Kansas Ave., Great Bend, Kan., 67530.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa:

Cash O&G	15 3/4	up 1/8
Chevron	74 1/4	dn 5/8
Coca Cola	64 1/2	dn 3/8
Enron	71 1/2	dn 3/8
Halliburton	34	dn 1/2
Ingensoll Rand	49 7/8	NC
KSE	25 1/8	NC
Ken McGee	43 1/4	dn 1/4
Lanited	23	up 1/4
Mapeo	53 3/8	up 1/8
Masus	8 1/4	dn 1/8
McDonald's	34 3/4	NC
Mesa Ltd.	7 7/8	up 1/8
Mobil	70 1/4	dn 1/8
New Atmos	19 5/8	NC
Penny's	49 5/8	dn 5/8
Phillips	26 7/8	dn 1/8
SLB	69 1/2	NC
SPS	32 5/8	up 1/8
Tenneco	38 3/4	dn 1 5/8
Texaco	63 7/8	dn 1/4
Wal-Mart	46 3/8	dn 1 1/8
West Texas Crude	23 1/2	dn 1/8

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Ky Cent Life	10 1/2	dn 1/4
Serfco	3 1/2	NC
Occidental	22	dn 3/8

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan	68.36
Puritan	13.90

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:

Airco	52 3/8	dn 3/8
Arco	121 3/8	NC
Cabot	34 1/2	dn 1/8

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL	Pampa
Admissions	Betsie Lewis and baby boy, Pampa
Martha Hilton, Pampa	Zelda McClellan, McLean
Ruth Johnson, Pampa	Adam Mulanax, Pampa
Carl Moore, Miami	Henry Lee Parks, Pampa
Henry Lee Parks, Pampa	Lois Rogers, Pampa
Reydon, Okla.	Euna Swafford, Pampa
Euna Swafford, Pampa	
Dismissals	
Ellen Bronner, Pampa	
Alma May Edmiston, Pampa	
Skyler Hunnicutt,	
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL	
Admissions	None
Dismissals	None

Police report

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

MONDAY, Oct. 28

A juvenile reported an assault in the 600 block of West Foster.

Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported a theft at the business.

Toni Bledsoe, 911 Cinderella, reported a theft at an unknown location.

Susan Winborne, 2200 N. Sumner, reported theft from a motor vehicle at an unknown location.

Billy Hayes, 913 Bernard, reported disorderly conduct at 917 Bernard.

Police reported domestic violence in the 400 block of North Starkweather, 500 block of North Nelson, 800 block of South Banks and 500 block of South Finley.

Police reported simple assault of an officer in breaking up an alleged domestic assault at 524 S. Finley.

Arrests

MONDAY, Oct. 27

Robert D. Olivera, 39, 433 Hughes, was arrested at Cuyler and Tyng on a traffic warrant.

Johnny Lee Bowman, 38, 524 S. Finley, was arrested at the residence on charges of domestic assault and simple assault.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Oct. 28

3:52 p.m. — Storage tank fire at 220 W. Tyng resulted in no damage. Two units and three firefighters responded.

6:22 p.m. — Dumpster fire at 2530 Duncan. One unit and two firefighters responded. Moderate damage to dumpster was reported.

10:11 p.m. — Minor gasoline spill at Hwy. 152 and Price Road. Two units and four firefighters responded.

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8:02 a.m. — Overheated furnace at 413 Lowry caused burning smell in house. No damage was found. Two units and four firefighters responded.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

State awards grant to Gray County for placement of juvenile offenders

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

AUSTIN — Gov. Ann Richards has announced that a \$2,875 grant has been awarded to Gray County for use in placing juvenile offenders in secured and non-secured detention.

And Ed Barker, Gray County juvenile probation officer, said the county has also received a \$17,000 grant that is being used solely to house two juveniles in the Pecos County Juvenile Detention Center.

The two youths were taken last week to the detention center, which provides education and other needs.

The \$17,000 grant will be used to house the two juveniles for six months, Barker said. The grant is from diversionary funds that the

last Legislature developed for counties to use to divert children from the Texas Youth Commission, he said.

"I am continuously applying for other funds and writing grants to try to save the taxpayers the expense of housing our own kids," Barker said.

Regarding the \$2,875 grant from the state, the governor said in a news release: "The number of crimes committed by juveniles is increasing at an alarming rate in Texas. One-third of juveniles who commit crimes end up in the Texas Department of Corrections by the time they are 21.

"It is time we go to the root of the problem, instead of playing catch-up on the other end. That is why we are working to increase the efforts of law enforcement and

communities in fighting juvenile and gang-related crimes," she said in the statement.

The funds awarded by the governor are part of the \$3.5 million in federal grants that may be used by the juvenile courts to purchase counseling services for juvenile offenders and their families, 24-hour supervision facilities, and other programs designed to remove juveniles from jails and institutions in order to work with them in their local communities.

"If we cannot break the cycle of crime when these individuals are young, we are doomed to see them again — as they grow older — committing even worse crimes and adding more problems to our already overcrowded prison system," the governor said.

Battle continuing over enforcement of auto liability insurance legislation

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A lawmaker who wrote the new insurance reform bill says he is angry that insurance companies are using the law to charge higher automobile insurance premiums to previously uninsured drivers.

State Rep. Eddie Cavazos, D-Corpus Christi, said Monday that he has asked chief executive officers of the major insurance companies to appear Friday before the House Committee on Insurance.

Cavazos, chairman of that committee, said he wants the executives to prove why they have to charge more for those people seeking insurance for the first time because of a new law that essentially forces drivers to carry an auto policy.

The battle over auto insurance has also heated up in state district court, as the insurance industry and Texas' insurance consumer representative fought over a rule the State Board of Insurance has said is needed to prevent insurers from cheating thousands of Texas motorists.

The rule prohibited insurance

companies from denying coverage, or charging higher prices based solely on the fact that a driver was buying insurance for the first time.

Insurance companies claim they should be allowed to charge more or deny coverage to previously uninsured motorists because generally these drivers are a bigger risk.

State regulators, and consumer groups, however, say insurance premiums should be based on a motorist's driving record.

State District Judge Scott McCown issued a temporary order blocking the Insurance Board's rule and is presiding over a trial on whether to issue a permanent order or allow the rule to take effect. The trial is expected to last two or three days.

The issue over the availability of auto insurance has emerged because the Legislature approved an insurance bill that essentially forces drivers to buy auto liability insurance in order to obtain or renew a driver's license, license plate, or safety inspection sticker.

Before the law took effect, about 3 million Texans, or one in four drivers, lacked the required minimum insurance.

Gearing up for the Friday committee hearing, Cavazos said he believes the insurance industry is creating a crisis as a way to push for a no-fault auto insurance plan similar to ones in place in other states.

Under a no-fault plan, drivers involved in an accident would be paid off for damages and injuries by their own insurance company, but their right to file lawsuits for further damages would be limited.

"They are trying to make a case for no-fault insurance by creating enough chaos and disturbance," Cavazos said.

But Rep. Kim Brimer, R-Kennedale, a commercial business insurance agent, said no-fault insurance and deregulation of the auto insurance industry would solve the problem.

Brimer, also a member of the Insurance Committee, said the state could waive the extra charge paid by drivers who are forced into the pool of high risk motorists.

After a year these policyholders could then buy insurance on the open market, and not have to pay the higher price of a previously uninsured motorist, he said.

City briefs

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ALLSTATE INSURANCE Co. 1064 N. Hobart, 665-4410. Adv.

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DEE AND Mike's, 514 W. Foster, 669-2914. Open 7 days a week. Breakfast special \$1.99. Lunch Specials \$1.95 and up. Plate lunches \$2.99. 11:30-2. Call-ins welcome. Adv.

THE ANNUAL lot owners meeting, Fairview Cemetery Association, will be held November 5th, 10 a.m. at Fairview Cemetery. Adv.

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RICHARD B. Dunham, D.D.S., in association with John W. Sparkman, D.D.S., is now accepting new patients for the practice of Family Dentistry. Hours 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., 665-1625. Adv.

AIR-DUCT CLEANING: Dale Sprinkle, 665-4229. Adv.

Carson County receives DOE grant

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

PANHANDLE — Carson County Judge Jay Roselius notified the Commissioners Court during Monday's meeting that a \$99,810 grant from the federal Department of Energy through the state of Texas for emergency management has been awarded the county.

"This was because Pantex is in Carson County and it upgrades our emergency response capabilities," Roselius said. "We will use it for marking of county roads, emergency warning devices for residents in the area of Pantex, travel for quarterly updates from the Texas Air Control Board, environmental people at Pantex and Texas Water Commission."

Roselius said the county has been authorized by the state to start spending the funds.

"What it does is put our emergency response in excellent shape with no cost to people in the county," Roselius said. "With any type of emergency, we would be able to use this equipment, not just things involving Pantex."

Commissioners also agreed to begin careful documentation of exactly where residents live in rural

areas of the county. "We will put together county-wide information on who lives in our rural areas and will plug that into our 9-1-1 emergency response," Roselius said. "This is part of getting our 9-1-1 ready to go."

The program is part of a 24-county Panhandle Regional Planning Commission plan to implement 9-1-1 response in the entire region.

Potter and Randall counties already have their own enhanced 9-1-1 system and are not part of the PRPC program.

Carson County commissioners also named Marcy Rae Ruth as librarian at the Skellytown branch, effective Nov. 1.

Citing her experience in working part-time at the library in the past, Roselius said she was the most qualified applicant for the opening.

Carson County has four libraries, including a main library in Panhandle and branches in Skellytown, Groom and White Deer.

Dr. Keith Black, a Pampa physician, was also named interim county health authority.

Roselius noted, "Keith is originally from Groom and is practicing in Pampa. He goes to Groom every

other Tuesday. We are without a Carson County doctor and until we get one, Keith will be our county health authority. This is on an interim basis, but we would jump at the chance if anybody who would like to practice over here."

The judge explained that the county health authority maintains his or her own private practice and is paid on a per-call basis when summoned by the county for a health need in their jurisdiction.

During her report, County Auditor Agnes Bell told commissioners the annual budget is "looking real good."

However, a shortage of Highway Patrol officers working Interstate 40 and Hwy. 60 through Carson County over the last several weeks has reduced the number of traffic fines being collected, officials observed.

Roselius blamed the shortage on transfers and resignations.

"We have three officers now working in Carson County again and things will get back on track," Roselius said.

In other business, commissioners and residents of the county were reminded that county offices will be closed Nov. 5 for election day and Nov. 11 for Veterans Day.

City finalizes plans for Halloween parade, party

The City of Pampa Recreation Department will be hosting the 7th Annual Halloween Parade and Party on Thursday.

The parade, which begins at 5:30 p.m., will start from the south lawn of the Lovett Memorial Library. The parade will end at the Central Fire Station, where the party will be held.

There will be a costume contest with categories including Ugliest,

Prettiest, Spookiest, Funniest and Most Original.

Cartoons will be shown while the judges determine the contest winners and treats will be handed out to all children that attend. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each category in the costume contest.

This event is open to the public at no cost and parents are invited to attend with their children, said Recreation

Superintendent Craig A. Erekon. Sponsors for the event include Action Realty, Albertsons, Alco Discount Store, Citizens Bank and Trust, First National Bank, Gray County American Red Cross, Homeland Stores, National Bank of Commerce, Pampa Fire Department and Wal-Mart Discount Center. For information, call the Recreation Department at 669-5770.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light snow after midnight, a low in the mid 20s and northerly to northeasterly winds 5-15 mph. Wednesday, continued cloudy and cold with a 30 percent chance of light snow, possibly mixed with rain, and a high near 40 and northeasterly winds 5-15 mph. Monday's high was 66; the overnight low was 21.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Partly cloudy far west and cloudy elsewhere Wednesday with scattered rain and snow mixed panhandle and light rain South Plains. Colder south tonight. Lows tonight low 20s northern Panhandle to mid 40s Big Bend valleys. Highs Wednesday around 30 northern Panhandle to mid 70s Big Bend.

North Texas — Cloudy through Wednesday. Numerous showers and thunderstorms through the period, some with locally heavy rainfall. Lows tonight 33 northwest to 55 southeast. Highs Wednesday 43 northwest to 65 southeast.

South Texas — Mostly cloudy tonight with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Lows in 40s Hill Country to 70s coast and south. Mostly cloudy Wednesday with scattered showers north and central. Scattered thunderstorms south. Highs near 60 Hill Country, 60s north, 80s far south and lower coast.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Thursday through Saturday West Texas — Panhandle: Cold with a chance of rain possibly mixed with snow Thursday and Friday. Decreasing clouds Saturday. Lows in mid 20s to low 30s. Highs in the 40s. South Plains: Chance of showers Thursday and Friday. Decreasing clouds Saturday. Lows

in upper 30s to low 40s Thursday cooling to upper 20s to mid 30s by Saturday. Highs in upper 40s to mid 50s. Permian Basin: Chance of showers or thunderstorms each day. Lows in mid to upper 40s Thursday cooling to mid 30s to low 40s Saturday. Highs in upper 50s to low 60s. Concho Valley-Edwards Plateau: Chance of showers or thunderstorms each day. Lows in upper 40s to low 50s Thursday and Friday cooling to low 40s Saturday. Highs in the 60s. Far West: Partly cloudy. Lows in upper 30s to low 40s. Highs in mid to upper 60s. Big Bend: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers each day. Lows in the 30s mountains to mid 40s to low 50s lowlands. Highs in the 60s mountains to the 70s to near 80 lowlands.

North Texas — Cloudy and much colder with rain and thunderstorms throughout the period. West: Lows in upper 20s to mid 30s. Highs upper 30s to mid 40s. Central: Lows in 30s. Highs in the 40s. East: Lows in the 50s Thursday and in upper 30s and 40s Friday and Saturday. Highs in the 60s, Thursday and in the 40s and 50s Friday and Saturday.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Turning cooler Saturday. Highs in upper 70s and low 80s Thursday and Friday, lows in the 60s. Highs in low 70s Saturday, lows in the 50s. Coastal Bend: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms Thursday and Friday. Highs in upper 80s and low 90s. Lows in the 70s inland, near 80 coast. Mostly cloudy and turning cooler on Saturday with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the 70s. Lows in the 50s inland to the 60s coast. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers

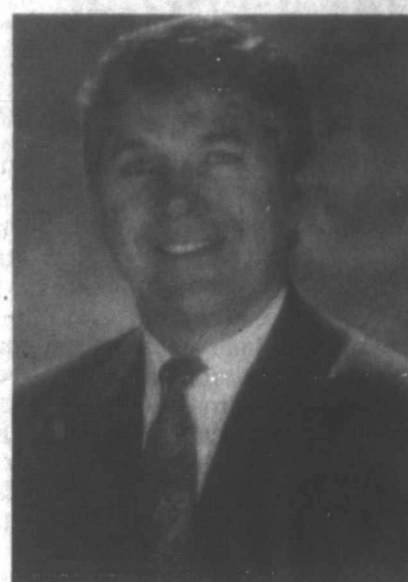
or thunderstorms Thursday and Friday. Highs in upper 80s and low 90s. Lows in the 70s inland to near 80 coast. Mostly cloudy and turning cooler Saturday with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the 80s. Lows in the 60s inland to the 70s coast. Southeast Texas and Upper Coast, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Turning cooler Saturday. Highs in the 80s Thursday and Friday, in the 70s Saturday. Lows in the 60s inland to the 70s coast Thursday and Friday, in the 50s inland to the 60s coast Saturday.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma — Continued cold tonight and Wednesday with a chance of light snow or freezing rain northwest and rain or thunderstorms southeast. Lows tonight low 20s Panhandle to near 50 extreme southeast. Highs Wednesday low 30s Panhandle to near 60 extreme southeast.

New Mexico — Winter storm watch for northwest plateau, north central and west central mountains tonight and Wednesday. Winter storm watch for northeast highlands Wednesday. Tonight cloudiness and chances for snow increasing across the northwest third with snow accumulations of 1 to 4 inches possible in the watch areas by morning. Mostly fair skies elsewhere. Continued cold. Wednesday, mostly cloudy north with a chance of snow. Snow accumulations of 2-4 inches possible in the watch areas with some larger amounts possible higher mountains. Partly cloudy south with a chance of mountain rain or snow showers. Colder east. Lows tonight teen and 20s mountains and north with mostly 30s lower elevations south. Highs Wednesday upper 20s to mid 40s mountains and north with upper 40s to low 60s elsewhere.

Behind the scenes...



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Detective winked at investigation into 1970 slayings, witness claims

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Suspicions that a Norman policeman killed a young couple would have been resolved 21 years ago if authorities had allowed a proper investigation at the time, a former Norman police detective says.

Dennis Rainwater testified Monday at the start of the second week of former Norman policeman Frank Gilley's trial on two counts of first-degree murder. Gilley was living in the Dallas suburb of DeSoto at the time of his arrest.

Prosecutors allege Gilley, now 55, shot a University of Oklahoma student and his date as they parked on a Norman lover's lap in May 1970.

The bodies of David Sloan, 21, of Amarillo, Texas, and Sheryl Benham, 19, of Oklahoma City were found in the trunk of Sloan's car on May 10, the day after they disappeared following a fraternity party.

Floyd Nash, chief of detectives at the time of the slayings, told Rainwater and other officers not to formally pursue any leads pertaining to Gilley, Rainwater said.

Nash told the officers that if any promising leads were discovered about Gilley, they should pursue them without the knowledge of higher officials.

"He said, 'Do what you have to do. Just don't get caught,'" Rainwater said.

Nash testified on Friday that Bill Henslee, who was chief of police in Norman, told him not to consider

Gilley as a suspect in the deaths. Henslee had hired his friend Gilley a month before the killings, Nash said.

Officers had to fall back on meeting at the house of one of the lawmen to review what they considered evidence against Gilley, Rainwater said. The clandestine investigation was still undone when Rainwater quit the department in December 1970, he said.

Rainwater and other former and current officers testified Monday about the crime scene.

Former Cleveland County Sheriff Bill Porter, who said he was the one who first spotted Sloan's car, said it was by chance that he found the automobile.

"I wasn't looking for it," Porter said.

He was on his way to see someone in the Ten Mile Flat area when Norman police broadcast a missing person report and gave the description of a white car with a Texas license plate, Porter said.

Just as the bulletin described a white car and listed a Texas tag number, Porter said he saw "this white car ... it turned out to be the one."

The car was sitting abandoned in an alfalfa field in a rural area of northwest Norman.

Also testifying Monday were former Norman patrolman Terry Childress and Larry Peters, a former investigator for the state Bureau of Investigation.

Suit filed on school Bible clubs

DENTON (AP) — Denial by public school officials here of "equal access" to Bible clubs and other Christian student groups and a ban on related activities is unconstitutional, an attorney for a civil rights group said Monday.

The Rutherford Institute, in a letter to the Denton Independent School District, contended that it was discriminating against Christian students, teachers and parents.

"In certain instances, all religious songs were banned," said Kelly Shackelford, a Dallas attorney and the institute's executive director.

"This includes a number of specific actions taken by the school. What that means to me is some teacher in some program was told to eliminate all religious references."

The letter was mailed Friday to DISD Superintendent Tim Sonnenberg and Dr. Gerald Ponder, the school board's chairman, by Charles Bundred, a Dallas attorney and lead counsel for the Charlottesville, Va.-based institute.

"Although the district maintains an open forum for noncurriculum-based student groups, Bible clubs and other Christian student groups have been discriminated against by being denied equal rights and treatment," the letter stated.

"Individual voluntary student prayer during noninstructional time and in a nondisruptive manner has been interfered with, discouraged and criticized by the district and its teachers and administrators."

Sonnenberg and Ponder told the Denton Record-Chronicle they had

no knowledge of such action of any DISD worker.

In September, the American Civil Liberties Union contended in a lawsuit against the district that band director Don Hanna promoted religion through the musicians' routine of religious songs and his leading of student prayers.

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Emergency crews monitor rain-swollen river

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press Writer

A Trinity River levee, strengthened with sandbags, was keeping flood waters from four days of heavy rains at bay, but emergency crews and nearby Dallas residents today nervously watched weather reports for more storms.

The river is at flood stage again, and authorities fear it could inundate homes in the South Dallas areas of Rochester Park and Cadillac Heights.

The Trinity was on the rampage there during Texas' worst flood of the century, which claimed 13 lives and caused millions of dollars in damage in the spring of 1990.

"The unusual situation we are in is a spring storm pattern, only in the fall. It is something of concern to us," said Skip Ely, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Fort Worth.

"We have a very potent rain situation this week, with the potential for more flooding."

In the low-lying Dallas neighborhoods, about 400 city workers were on standby to evacuate residents. Crews cleared clogged storm drains of debris with pitchforks and brought in pumps and sandbags to combat street flooding.

"More sandbagging is intended to secure the levee, and there have been other modifications," said Bobby Martinez, assistant director of the city's Office of Emergency Preparedness. "There has been more dirt moved to strengthen it."

But the Trinity's level stood at 405 feet above

sea level — one-half foot below its crest and four feet short of threatening the South Dallas homes, he said.

Continued severe storms through Wednesday would trigger major flooding because ground in the watershed is already saturated, said Dr. Richard Browning, planning and environmental manager for the Trinity River Authority.

"Everything now depends on what additional rainfall we get," he said. "If it turns out to be a very heavy rainfall, 3-inch rains and so forth, over a wide area, it could turn this into a big flood. If it turns out to be an inch or less, and scattered, then it shouldn't get much worse."

New bands of heavy thunderstorms produced 3.88 inches of rain Monday in Rockwall, east of Dallas, and dropped golfball-size hail on Hillsboro and north of Bonham, said Ely.

"Just about everybody in North Texas has seen six inches of rain in the past three days, with some reporting eight to 10 inches," he said late Monday night.

The storms, which began Saturday, were blamed for at least one death. A severe thunderstorm watch was posted east of a line from Brownwood to Bonham, and an expanded and reissued watch included the Dallas-Fort Worth and Waco areas.

The watch area included the area along and east of a line from Gainesville through Weatherford to San Saba and west of a line from Marshall to Centerville.

Authorities on Monday closed roads in McK-

inney, north of Dallas, and barricaded streets in Arlington and Grand Prairie, said Ely. Across Dallas, more than 16 streets were closed following localized flooding from runoff.

Flash flood watches or warnings continued today for large areas of North and Central Texas, the weather service said. Rain was forecast for North Texas through the weekend.

Residents along Lake Worth sandbagged along yards and homes, while flood waters at Eagle Mountain Lake were flowing about one foot over the spillway.

Some flooding was also reported along Duck Creek in the Dallas suburb of Garland. But the water stopped short of entering homes there.

"This year, in the spring, and last year, it got about a foot deep in the house," said Larry Buckle of Garland. "So I always worry when it gets up in the yard here."

An Arlington man's drowning was blamed on the weather. Lawrence Whitaker, 27, drove a small pickup truck around barriers at Johnson Creek about 1:30 a.m. Sunday, and the vehicle was swept into flood waters.

A hail storm Saturday in West Texas destroyed 5,000 to 8,000 acres of cotton in a 20-mile-long swath, with damage estimated in the millions of dollars, said Brent Mikeška of the Wingate Gin-Elevator.

"It was terrible — just a horrible hail storm," he said. "I've been here since 1963, and I've never seen even a spring hailstorm cover this kind of territory in Runnels County."

Voices raised in song



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Pampa Middle School Treble and Seventh Grade Girls Choirs sing "The Clouds" at the Pampa High School and Middle School choral departments' annual Fall Concert at M.K. Brown Auditorium Monday evening. Directing the choir is Suzanne Wood, accompanied by Jennifer Scoggin. A highlight of the evening's entertainment was the combined PMS seventh and eighth grade boys' choirs performing the debut of an arrangement by PMS director Jennifer Scoggin of "The Colorado Trail" which has been accepted for publication. Also appearing at the concert were the PMS Combined Sixth Grade Boys' Choirs, Combined Sixth Grade Girls' Choirs, directed by Wood and Scoggin; and PHS Treble Choir, Mixed Choir, Sophomore Women's Choirs, Concert Choir, and Show Choir, directed by Fred Mays and Suzie Wilson. Solo performances were given by PHS students Jennifer Keeton, Tracy Bruton, Levi Giles and Suzy Wilson. UIL Regional Choir and District Choir winners were also recognized at the concert.

Pro-lottery group says poll shows public favors game 2-to-1

AUSTIN (AP) — A new opinion poll released by a pro-lottery group suggests that the gambling game is hitting a winning number with Texans.

The opinion survey, made public Monday by the Lone Star Lottery Committee, showed 67 percent in favor, 27 percent opposed and 6 percent undecided.

The lottery proposition is one of 13 proposed constitutional amendments to be decided by voters on Nov. 5.

Lyda Creus, spokeswoman for the lottery committee, said the 2-to-1 results in the survey were no surprise.

"Absolutely not," she said. "It's what the polls have been saying consistently."

Although the Legislature rejected lottery amendments again and

again from 1983 until deciding this summer to place the question on the ballot, opinion polls have shown strong public support for the game.

Ms. Creus said the poll found support for the lottery among all age groups, income levels and political party affiliations.

While the Baptist church has opposed the lottery proposal, Creus said the survey found 63 percent of Baptists polled favoring the lottery and 29 percent opposed.

Sue Cox of the Dallas-based

anti-gambling group Texans Who Care said lottery opponents have been working "to close that gap by election day."

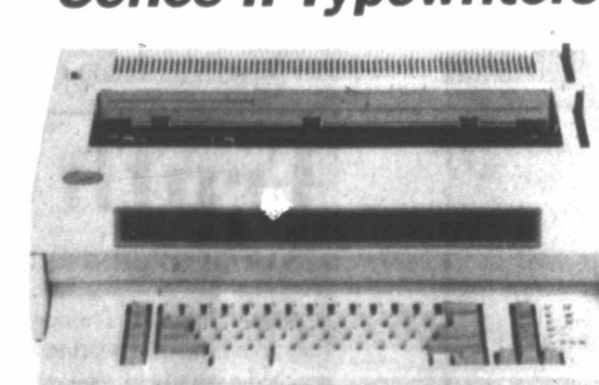
She said numerous Texas religious groups have been active in opposing the lottery, adding, "There has been a lot more energy and enthusiasm against the lottery than quite frankly I had anticipated."

Ms. Cox also said she believes lottery opponents can win "if our people are motivated to go to the polls in sufficient numbers."

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La Salle County added to killer bee quarantine

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — La Salle County has been added to a list of Texas areas quarantined due to Africanized honey bees, officials announced Monday.

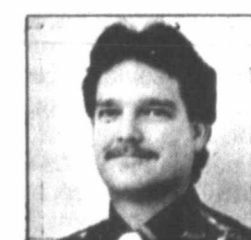
That brings to 18 the number of Texas counties where restrictions apply to movement of commercial bee operations, said Paul Jackson, chief of the Texas Apiary Inspection Service.

So-called "killer" bees recently were found in a trap about two miles south of Cotulla, in La Salle County, Jackson said Monday.

The other 17 quarantined counties are Maverick, Zavala, Dimmit, Webb, Brooks, Cameron, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, Starr, Willacy, Zapata, Nueces, Jim Wells, Kleberg, Duval and Val Verde.

The first Africanized honey bee swarms were detected in Texas, near Hidalgo, on Oct. 15, 1990.

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Opinion

Taxpayers soaked by IMF loan sharks

The privileges enjoyed by the U.S. Congress are nothing compared to those given to officials of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. Usually these organizations hold their annual meeting in Washington, D.C., where the big shots blow millions of taxpayers' dollars on Georgetown houses rented for \$10,000 per week, limousines and sumptuous meals. Only the best for the helpers of the poor!

This year the IMF-World Bank met in Bangkok, Thailand. If the attending ministers were observant, they noticed that Thailand, once a backwater, is a prospering capitalist country. They also should have noted that Thailand received only \$18 million in U.S. foreign aid in 1990. And South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and other rising capitalist countries received little or no aid. By contrast, many of these nations' slow- or non-developing neighbors received massive amounts of U.S. aid: The Philippines, \$555 million; Pakistan, \$238 million; Bangladesh (before this year's flood), \$128 million.

The same is true of U.S. taxpayers' money funneled to countries through the IMF and World Bank. Economist Tom Cox writes of Africa: "World Bank lending to countries in the region has grown to levels that indicate such assistance often acts as a substitute for, rather than a supplement to, domestic economic development." He notes that (while the IMF-World bank was wasting U.S. taxpayers' money), "From 1983 to 1987, the United States has opposed 73 loans of the World Bank Group..."

Economist Alan Reynolds has looked closely at aid given to Latin America. His conclusion: Countries receiving IMF-World Bank handouts have slow-growing economies, but countries choosing *The Other Path* — the name of Peruvian Hernando de Soto's pro-capitalist book — are growing rapidly.

But in Bangkok, it was the usual business of trying to rip off the U.S. taxpayer. The Soviet delegation whined that it needed billions in IMF-World Bank cash because the August coup attempt flattened confidence in the ex-Soviet Union's ability to pay off past loans from the West. But even before the coup attempt, U.S. banks had refused to finance Moscow's purchases of U.S. wheat, even though U.S. taxpayers' money would have backed the loans. The real reason for Moscow's problems: Two months after the coup, it has made far too few capitalist reforms. Any new U.S. taxpayers' money sent to Moscow would only pay interest on the old loans; it would not help anyone.

By a sick coincidence, the Soviet begging occurred on the same day that Citicorp, the biggest U.S. bank, announced a \$885 million loss for the third quarter. It continued to suffer from billions in bad loans made in the 1970s and 1980s to socialist governments in Latin America, Eastern Europe and Asia.

When will we learn? The IMF-World Bank bureaucrats have spent the world, especially U.S. taxpayers, in hock up to our eyeballs. Enough is enough. No more of our money should go to these global scoundrels.

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HERE COMES THE JUDGE

Religion used as a weapon

Religion wasn't one of the things Anita Hill accused Clarence Thomas of talking about, but after her charges became public, it somehow kept intruding into the controversy.

If we heard once, we heard a hundred times that Hill was not only a small-town girl from a large family, but also a religious believer. Some accounts described her as a churchgoing Baptist since her childhood. Another told of her singing a gospel song on the last day of high school.

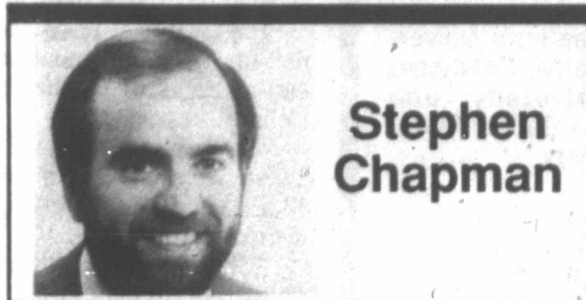
A *Los Angeles Times* reporter was mightily impressed that when Hill arrived to testify, "she was carrying a Bible in her purse." No, not a Gideon volume filched from her hotel room at the last minute, you cynic — "her personal Bible, one that she had brought from her home."

Hill herself thought this matter was important enough to inform the Judiciary Committee and the nation that she had been a member of the Antioch Baptist Church in Tulsa since 1983.

All the evidence of Christian devotion wasn't enough to convince most senators she was telling the truth, but it did carry some weight with Democrat Robert Byrd of West Virginia, who voted against Thomas after noting approvingly that Hill's family "had belonged to the church and belong to the church today," and that she "was evidently reared by religious parents."

Byrd's apparent point was that a woman raised in a God-fearing Christian home is bound to be telling the truth — the implication being that non-believers are inherently suspect on matters of personal integrity.

I don't know where this leaves Jews or Muslims, but it's a clear reminder to atheists: You're one of the few groups left which may be dispar-



Stephen Chapman

aged with impunity. If I recall correctly, after Robert Bork was nominated to the court, he felt obliged to deny a report that he was an agnostic, which in many circles is viewed as un-American. I haven't taken a count, but I'd bet there are more professed homosexuals in Congress than there are professed atheists.

Byrd and his fellow senators have had a lot of practice at feigning piety, but a reverence for organized religion has never been conspicuous in contemporary journalism. Most reporters and editors would be more comfortable sitting in the electric chair than in a church pew. That makes their respectful references to Hill's religion particularly curious.

But if Hill's faith was indispensable to gauging her honesty, the same wasn't true for Clarence Thomas. It's no secret that he and his wife regularly attend an Episcopal church in Fairfax, Va. — a fact that was reported shortly after his nomination only because the congregation is known for its anti-abortion sentiment. But while *Newsweek* and *Time*, for example, made a point of noting Hill's religious affiliation, they didn't mention Thomas'. Neither did other news organs, and neither did Robert Byrd. How about a little consistency here? If Hill's

church ties make her believable, why don't Thomas' church ties do the same for him? If his religion isn't relevant to the whole controversy, why is hers? Are we to assume that Baptists can be trusted but Episcopalians can't?

The treatment individuals get from the news media tends to vary with their ideological coloration. Imagine the scrutiny Clarence Thomas would have gotten had he been a professor at Oral Roberts University — whose evangelist founder is best known for telling his flock that if they didn't contribute \$8 million to his medical center in Tulsa, the Almighty would whisk him off to heaven.

It's safe to bet that a lot of people would have suggested that since Thomas had been comfortable at such a place, he might be a fundamentalist weirdo. But Hill's time there got almost no attention.

Her admirers, which include plenty of people in the news media, obviously didn't want anyone to get the idea that maybe she was a backwards prude who would be shocked by a PG-13 movie — and who therefore might have overreacted to some mildly bawdy remark made in good fun by Thomas.

The beauty of religion is that it can be used to allay doubts about someone, as in Hill's case, or to raise them, as Virginia Gov. Doug Wilder did when he said Thomas' Catholic upbringing made him dangerous on abortion. In the hands of the unscrupulous, it's a versatile tool. Thus Hill can be portrayed as an honest, upright woman, while Thomas can be depicted as a zealot taking orders from the pope.

But neither believers nor non-believers should assume that the attention given to religion during this episode had anything to do with anyone's feelings about God. In this case, religion was just another weapon in an unholy war.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, Oct. 29, the 302nd day of 1991. There are 63 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
Twenty-five years ago, on Oct. 29, 1966, the National Organization for Women was founded.

On this date:
In 1618, Sir Walter Raleigh, the English courtier, military adventurer and poet, was executed in London.

In 1682, the founder of Pennsylvania — William Penn — landed at what is now Chester, Pa.

In 1891, 100 years ago, comedian and singer Fanny Brice was born in New York.

In 1901, President McKinley's assassin, Leon Czolgosz, was electrocuted.

In 1911, American newspaperman Joseph Pulitzer died in Charleston, S.C.

In 1923, the Republic of Turkey was proclaimed.



Straight talk out of talk shows

I guess I might as well give up on any chance of getting one of those daytime talk shows, like Oprah Winfrey or Sally Jesse or Donahue or Geraldo, or whomever else is out there making television so enticing and enlightening.

To get on one of those programs you've got to do something that defies the norm or is really weird.

Let's say you are a crossdressing Satan worshipper. That'll get you a roundtrip air ticket and a nice hotel room in Chicago or New York in a heartbeat.

Some, not in touch with today's many alternative lifestyles or who work days and don't see the aforementioned programs, might ask, "What on earth is a crossdressing Satan worshipper?"

An example would be a guy who wears ladies underwear and high heel shoes and goes to meetings where they sacrifice a goat to The Dark One and then holds a nude volleyball game.

OK, so you're not a crossdressing Satan worshipper, but you're married to a goat. Pack your bags. Donahue and company are waiting.

I suppose the only weird thing — and it might have been a little sicko, too — I ever did was set anthills on fire.

I was a mere boy at this time, of course, but what I would do is find an anthill and then pour kerosene on it and put the thing to the torch.

I suppose a crossdressing anthill arsonist might



Lewis Grizzard

make Donahue, but I've never worn anything but boxer shorts and loafers and I grew out of anthill burning at the age of 10 and turned my attention to pretending I was Duke Snider and hitting rocks with a stick.

That's not weird. I had a friend who used to pretend he was a cow and get down on his hands and knees in his yard and graze. That's weird.

In fact he'll soon be on an Oprah show dealing with vegetarians hooked on salt licks.

The primary reason I brought all this up is to forecast what I'm absolutely positive will be the subject of an upcoming installment of one of these daytime programs.

This can't miss: Robin Shahan is a young Atlanta lawyer who was offered a job as an assistant attorney general in the Georgia attorney general's office.

But then she filled out an application and where it asked about marital status, Robin Shahan wrote

down "engaged to Fran."

Fran is a womanperson like Robin Shahan, and, sure enough, the two women got hitched and now Michael Bowers, state attorney general, says Robin can't have the job anymore.

Hiring her, said Michael Bowers, would have given tacit approval to homosexual marriages. Georgia law recognizes only heterosexual marriages, and I suppose marrying a goat is out, too, even if the goat is of a different sex.

Naturally the American Civil Liberties Union has gotten in the middle of it all and before it's over and done, there likely will be a lot of legal wrangling — just what the courts need.

But what a story for daytime TV.

Two women get married, but a backward-thinking attorney general in redneck Georgia takes away an offer of a job to one of the happy couple because she's married to another she.

And where does this leave the rest of us? It leaves us off television and off the front pages, that's where! We're being ignored.

You used to be able to get on TV by knocking down a lot of dominoes, growing a cucumber the size of a Buick, being able to play "Malaguena" on a bicycle pump.

Now I've got to shock society to get a little notoriety. It's unfair. It's discriminatory.

I'm calling my lawyer as soon as he and his wife, Harold, get back from their honeymoon.

Truth sometimes hard to ferret out

By SARAH OVERSTREET

Since Clarence Thomas' Supreme Court confirmation hearings ended, I've watched a parade of interviewees telling the cable news channels of the new day dawning for workplace lechers.

If Anita Hill's testimony did nothing else, they tell us, it raised our awareness and sensitivity about sexual harassment. We can only hope they're right, and that before the next innuendo slips out of a brain-impaired mouth, the offender will consider the implications of his actions.

That still leaves us with a couple of other judicial quandaries, the same ones we face in some cases of rape and child abuse: In crimes where physical evidence is slight or absent and there are no witnesses, how do you prove who's lying?

After the Thomas confirmation I heard angry women assert that "women don't lie about sexual harassment." Period. I've heard the same thing from child protection advocates, that children never, ever,

lie about sexual abuse.

I wish it were so, but I don't believe it is. I don't know how often it happens, but some people sometimes lie and especially if encouraged or coached. When I was 6, the neighbor boy could successfully coach me into a lot of mischief I would never have thought of, including lying to corroborate his stories.

And after a while, liars can come to believe their own lies. I've been a reporter for many years. I spent three of them as a "trouble-shooting" TV consumer advocate — a reporter who's supposed to beef up the ratings by helping wronged citizens get justice. I've listened to hundreds of heart-wrenching stories that completely convinced me of the villainy of the other party — until I talked to the other party. In many cases, that story was even more convincing than the first one. We may become more sensitive to genuine sexual harassment, but I don't know how we'll become more sensitive to who's telling the untruths.

Unfortunately, as legislators enact laws to combat sexual abuse, those who can take any good thing and screw it up have learned how to abuse the abuse laws. A few years ago my employers were blatant about their dissatisfaction with another employee, a man. The man also made a loud noise of his religious beliefs, which alienated some other employees.

One day my boss was talking about the man's "holier than thou" attitude and I overheard him. I said something like, "Aw, he's not so holy. Sometimes he'll pop off a mildly suggestive remark or joke," which he would. My boss asked me a few more questions about the man's behavior, which I answered in the same tone, and the next thing I knew, I was in the boss's office.

"I've got to fire him," he told me, "for sexually harassing you. I've just been to a management seminar on sexual harassment, and they told us if we heard about anything like that and didn't do anything about it, we were in violation of the sexual harassment laws."

A great yelling match ensued, me

doing most of it, trying to tell my boss that this man had not sexually harassed me in any way. If this happened today, I could point out what the laws actually said and why this man's behavior didn't fit. But the laws were new and I was too stunned to do much but bolt out the exit near the boss's office, him right after me.

After we'd orbited the building once, I regained my senses and stopped in my tracks. I turned to my boss and asked, "What would it take for you to not have to fire him?"

"Nothing. Since I heard about it, I have to act on it."

"Well, then," I answered, knowing he didn't want to fire me, "what if I told you I made it all up? That I was lying?"

I watched the hue leave each one of his enlarged pores. "Uh, I guess I wouldn't have to do anything."

"Then I made it all up," I said. "You're off the hook."

I was harassed, all right. Just not by my co-worker.
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Association offers good tips for having a safe Halloween

October 31 is Halloween, and most of the "spooks" you see on the streets will just be kids in disguise. But real dangers lurk behind this fall celebration. Texas Safety Association offers these tips for kids and adults, which will help insure a fun, safe holiday for everyone.

CHILDREN: If you go trick-or-treating, stick to neighborhoods you know. Stay on sidewalks; or, if there are no sidewalks, walk close to the curb on the left side of the street, facing traffic. Look left, right and left again before crossing the street. Even witches and ghosts can be hurt by passing cars!

Never go inside a stranger's house, and don't eat ANY treats until they've been inspected by a grownup.

PARENTS: Keep safety in mind when planning Halloween costumes. Use light-colored, flame-retardant fabrics, adding retro-reflective tape to make the child more visible to motorists. Avoid clumsy, ill-fitting shoes or costumes that drag on the ground, because they may cause a child to trip and fall. Masks can impair vision and breathing. Use non-toxic makeup instead.

Feed trick-or-treaters before they go, so that they'll be less tempted to snack on treats before

they get them home. Young children should be accompanied by an adult. Set a curfew for older kids, and give them change for emergency phone calls. Children under 12 should have their name, address and phone number attached inside their costumes, but not where it can be easily seen by passers-by.

If you don't know the people in your neighborhood, check community calendars for school- or church-sponsored events, or plan a costume party in your own home. Young goblins are always safer in supervised groups.

GENERAL PUBLIC: If you're putting out goodies for visiting spooks, turn on your porch light. Don't put lighted jack-o-lanterns too close to the front door: the flame may ignite someone's costume. Don't leave garden tools, hoses or sprinklers where kids will trip over them in the dark.

If you have to drive on Halloween night, use extra caution, especially in residential areas. Watch for "invisible" spooks in non-reflective clothing. Be prepared for children to dart into the street from anywhere, especially from between parked cars.

If you're on your way to an adult costume party, it's a good idea to remove your mask while driving.

Makeup artist gives ideas for Halloween face painting

By BRENDA BARNES
OU News Services

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Bill Nidiffer, a native of Pampa, is the son of Pampa resident Bernita R. Nidiffer.)

NORMAN, Okla. — You don't have to be a makeup artist or have special theatrical supplies to transform your face into a Halloween ghoul or goblin, said Bill Nidiffer, a University of Oklahoma graduate teaching assistant in drama.

"Kids can find a lot of what they need in their mom's makeup bag," said Nidiffer, who teaches makeup techniques to OU drama students. Also, the Halloween makeup kits sold at department stores work fine and offer a variety of colors.

Nidiffer began practicing face painting when he was a member of a glitter rock band, painting his face half black and half white. He said his band was using such makeup techniques long before the popular rock group Kiss made painted faces a band trademark.

Fantasy faces, the kind most people create at Halloween, are the most challenging, Nidiffer said.

"It's best if you have a picture of the face you want to create," he said. "You can work from that."

Regardless of the effect you're trying to create, Nidiffer recommended putting on a base coat of makeup, which allows other pigments to blend smoothly. Nidiffer often uses a clown-white cream makeup for his base, but he said different colors of cosmetic bases available at department stores also can be used.

He cautions people to spot-test makeup on sensitive skin, particularly children's, before covering the entire face. "Some adult makeup can be harsh on kids," he said.

Once the base is applied, other colors can be used to create shadows, wrinkles, whiskers, blood and other effects, Nidiffer said. People can use the colors available in a Halloween makeup kit or use everyday



(OU News Services photo)

Carl Rankin, 7, of Norman, Okla., begins to show signs of aging as Bill Nidiffer, a University of Oklahoma graduate teaching assistant in drama, draws on witch-like wrinkles.

eye shadow as a pallet, Nidiffer suggested.

To apply the makeup, Nidiffer said, people can use tools found in most homes, including sponges for applying base; paint brushes or cosmetic brushes for drawing lines; and toothbrushes for creating a rough, stipple effect.

Nidiffer demonstrated using the stipple — or dotting — effect to mimic the furry face of a puppy dog or create the parched, wrinkled skin of an old witch.

To give a character an aged look, Nidiffer said to accent existing wrinkles, such as crow's feet or smile lines, and create new wrinkles by shading under areas where wrinkles would likely occur.

"Think about the effects of gravi-

ty," he said. "Find places on the face that would lose elasticity and start to fall, such as under the eyes. Shadow the areas where light wouldn't hit if the skin were to begin drooping over."

For a finishing touch, he suggested dusting talcum powder through hair to make it look gray. Teeth can be blacked out using a dark crayon.

More complicated faces, such as those with scars or built-on layers of skin, can be created using liquid latex. Most stage makeup books give step-by-step instructions on how to use liquid latex, said Nidiffer, who plans to use the techniques himself this Halloween to become a Klingon from the television show *Star Trek*.

After painting the face, a light

layer of translucent powder can be used to set the makeup, reducing smearing. Also, the powder decreases the intensity of the makeup. However, Nidiffer said, some people may strive for an overexaggerated effect.

"Stage actors often put makeup on strong to make it look realistic from several rows out in the audience," he said.

To remove makeup, Nidiffer recommended washing with baby shampoo, since it won't burn people's eyes, and applying a moisturizer.

"Makeup can be very useful in helping someone portray a character," Nidiffer said. "When I aged myself with makeup, I started feeling old, and slouching and walking like an old man. It helps you feel the part."

Vietnam and Britain reach agreement on boat people

HONG KONG (AP) — Vietnam and Britain signed a plan today that could force more than 50,000 Vietnamese boat people home from Hong Kong and begin the end of a saga that has seen 1.5 million Vietnamese flee Communism in rickety boats.

British colonial officials said the first group of boat people will be forced to return home in November.

Secretary of Security Alistair Asprey said he hoped all boat people would be gone from Hong Kong in "two or three years."

The repatriation of those 256 boat people will mark the first step in a controversial program that governments throughout Asia hope will send more than 100,000 boat people — against their will — back to Vietnam.

Asprey said Hong Kong police have been authorized to use force to board the boat people on planes that

will take them home.

"We will attempt to let them return home with dignity," he told a news conference. "Whether they do so in the final analysis depends on their behavior."

As part of the deal, he said, Vietnam promised not to "persecute or harass" the returning boat people.

In exchange, Vietnam will receive about \$1,000 for each boat person who returns home, according to diplomats familiar with the agreement.

The money, which will come from the European Community and Britain, could add up to as much as \$100 million — \$50 million for taking back boat people from Hong Kong and \$50 million for returnees from Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines.

The money will be used for small-scale development projects and for small, low-interest loans to businessmen, Asprey said.

He acknowledged that the funds played a role in Vietnam's decision to sign the agreement.

Asprey said the United States knew of the agreement, signed today in Hanoi by British Ambassador Peter Williams and Vietnamese officials. He intimated that Britain would proceed with the forcible repatriation despite the stated opposition of President Bush.

Diplomats said a critical factor in the deal came when U.S. officials assured Vietnam that accepting forcibly repatriated boat people would not affect talks between Washington and Hanoi on establishing diplomatic ties.

Vietnam desperately wants to establish ties with the United States and see Washington end its 26-year economic embargo.

Nation's economy up 2.4 percent in third quarter

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy, beset by recession since the middle of last year, started growing again in the July-September quarter, rising at an annual rate of 2.4 percent, the government said today.

It was the biggest advance in the gross national product, the country's total output of goods and services, in more than two years and was the clearest signal yet that the 1990-91 recession has come to an end.

However, a string of weak business reports in recent weeks has heightened fears among Washington policy-makers and private economists that the economic rebound may be short-lived, with a brief period of growth followed by a new recession next year.

The Bush administration is counting on the Federal Reserve to keep that from happening by supplying a further cut in interest rates, something that financial markets believe is imminent given comments Monday by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

Michael Evans, head of a Washington forecasting firm, said it was very likely that the Fed will cut

interest rates on Friday, especially if a report that day on unemployment for October shows the rate rising as many analysts expect.

"We had a brief upturn in the economy in the late spring, but unfortunately it is over," Evans said. He put the possibility of a double-dip recession at 50-50.

The 2.4 percent GNP increase was the biggest advance since the early months of the Bush presidency, when the GNP rose 3.6 percent from January through March of 1989.

The pickup in growth was not accompanied by a rise in inflation. A GNP price index that measures a fixed marketbasket of goods rose at an annual rate of just 2.1 percent in the third quarter, the slowest pace for inflation in five years. It followed a 3.1 percent increase in inflation in the spring with the improvement credited to falling food prices.

The 2.4 percent GNP increase followed three straight declines as the country slumped into a recession last summer triggered by falling consumer confidence and a spike in oil prices after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The GNP fell at an annual rate of 1.6 percent in the last three months of 1990 followed by declines of 2.8 percent and 0.5 percent in the first half of this year.

The strength in the third quarter was led by a 3.8 percent jump in consumer spending, the biggest advance since mid-1989. In addition, the economy was helped by a slowing of business reductions in their inventories.

However, economists are worried that sluggish retail sales in the past two months mean that consumers have turned cautious again and that will trigger further big cutbacks in business inventories.

Beyond inventories and consumer spending, economic strength in the summer was provided by a 6.6 percent increase in business investment in plant and equipment and a huge 20.6 percent jump in housing construction. Both these areas have weakened in recent weeks, analysts said.

Holding the economy back during the summer was a \$20.2 billion

worsening of the country's trade deficit as a small 0.1 percent rise in exports was swamped by a 12.9 percent jump in imports. Trade has been one of the few bright spots for several years, but economists fear that could be drawing to a close as America's major overseas markets face economic slowdowns of their own.

The various changes boosted GNP at an annual rate of \$24.2 billion, putting it at \$4.143 trillion in the third quarter, after removing the effects of inflation.

Many analysts believe that growth in the current October-December quarter will be much slower than the just-completed quarter, with the most pessimistic calling for the GNP to turn negative again, possibly indicating the onset of another recession.

President Bush on Monday pledged to fight "tooth and nail" to revive the sluggish economy, although he indicated he had no plans to rush in with a new tax-cut package.

'House Party 2' debuts at No. 1 at the box office

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The college comedy *House Party 2* opened in the No. 1 spot at the nation's box office, while "Home Alone" director John Hughes' *Curly Sue* debuted in second place.

The *House Party* sequel brought in \$6 million over the weekend, Entertainment Data Inc. reported Monday. *Curly Sue*, about an 8-year-old orphan, made \$5 million.

The two newcomers pushed the previous week's leader, *Other People's Money*, to third place. The comedy starring Danny DeVito sold \$4.1 million in tickets.

Here are the top movie ticket sales Friday through Sunday according to Entertainment Data, with distributor, weekend gross, number of theater screens, average per screen, total gross and number of weeks in release.

Figures are based on a combination of actual box-office receipts and studio projections where actual figures are not immediately available.

1. *House Party 2*, New Line, \$6 million, 1,165 screens, \$5,173 per screen, \$7.3 million, one week.

2. *Curly Sue*, Warner Bros., \$5 million, 1,634 screens, \$3,044 per screen, \$5 million, one week.

3. *Other People's Money*, Warner Bros., \$4.1 million, 1,246 screens, \$3,313 per screen, \$10.7 million, two weeks.

4. *The Fisher King*, TriStar, \$2.51 million, 1,513 screens, \$1,657 per screen, \$30.9 million, six weeks.

5. *Frankie & Johnny*, Paramount, \$2.48 million, 1,150 screens, \$2,155 per screen, \$13.1 million, three weeks.

6. *The Butcher's Wife*, Paramount, \$2.4 million, 800 screens, \$3,052 per screen, \$2.4 million, one week.

7. *Little Man Tate*, Orion, \$2 million, 395 screens, \$4,949 per screen, \$6 million, three weeks.

8. *Deceived*, Disney, \$1.8 million, 1,175 screens, \$1,509 per screen, \$22.2 million, five weeks.

9. *Ernest Scared Stupid*, Disney, \$1.6 million, 1,746 screens, \$938 per screen, \$10.1 million, three weeks.

10. *Ricochet*, Warner Bros., \$1.5 million, 1,118 screens, \$1,380 per screen, \$17.5 million, four weeks.

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Bitter cold, snow continues in west as rescuers seek five hikers

By The Associated Press

Searchers rescued four hikers and looked for at least five others trapped in California's Sierra Nevada by waist-deep snow. Off the East Coast, nine people were plucked from a hurricane-tossed yacht in the Atlantic today.

The four rescued men had spent two days hiking through the snow in California's Stanislaus National Forest, about 150 miles east of San Francisco, Tuolumne County Assistant Sheriff Mike Costa said Monday.

Rescuers continued to search today for at least five other tourists stranded in the forest. Two to three feet of snow fell in the area over the weekend.

Elsewhere, along the Trinity River in Texas, a levee strength-

ened with sandbags kept at bay floodwaters from four days of heavy rain.

"Just about everybody in North Texas has seen six inches of rain in the past three days, with some reporting eight to 10 inches," said Skip Ely, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Fort Worth, Texas.

Severe thunderstorms whipped through Oklahoma, ripping off roofs, felling power lines and trees and toppling tractor trailers.

Fierce snowstorms in the Rockies and Northern Plains brought traffic to a standstill, shut down schools and thrilled skiers.

In Bismarck, N.D., it was so cold "not even the cats want to go outside," said cocktail waitress Penny Heisler. It's "really white, really windy, icy, cold. There's about an

inch of ice on my car," she said.

The story was the same across North and South Dakota, Montana and parts of Nebraska: snowstorms packing bone-chilling winds continued to rage today. State offices, schools, banks and other businesses closed down.

A delegation of Japanese grain buyers cut short their visit to North Dakota.

"I told them I'd never seen this kind of weather, so they were really living the experience. One of the gentlemen came without even a top coat," said Mel Maier, administrator of the North Dakota Wheat Commission.

Beulah, about 65 miles northwest of Bismarck, got 15 inches of snow, and a foot fell in Richardton.

In South Dakota, snow and strong wind reduced visibility to

near zero in the western half of the state Monday. The rest of the state braced for similar weather as the storm moved east today.

Temperatures included 14 degrees at Rapid City, 12 at Lemmon, 9 at Custer and 8 degrees at Buffalo.

Rapid City got about 3 1/2 inches of snow Monday, while Lead and Deadwood, in the northern Black Hills, got more than 10 inches.

"All I know is it's kind of nasty out there," said Tom Hathaway of Rapid City. "But I'm not going to fight it. You're always prepared when you live in South Dakota."

The season's first major snowstorm left as much as 8 inches across Nebraska. "This is kind of a blast for a storm. The temperature yesterday was almost 70," Donna Dix, who owns the West Way

Motel in Alliance, said Monday.

Farmers and ranchers in Nebraska and Kansas welcomed the moisture after a dry autumn.

The Pacific Northwest got snowstorms and some of the coldest October temperatures on record.

The temperature dropped to a record low 12 degrees in Spokane, Wash., on Monday.

Seattle's high temperature Monday was 43 degrees and Olympia reached only 41 degrees, both the lowest high temperatures on record for the cities.

Throughout the West, ski areas greased up the lifts after winter made an abrupt entrance.

"The phones have been ringing off the hook and there's a lot of pent-up desire from the general California skiing populace," Kirkwood Ski Resort spokesman Greg

Murtha said.

Heavy snow blanketed the Sierra Nevada in California and Nevada, with more than a foot at Lake Tahoe. Utah ski resorts got 31 to 42 inches through Monday, with up to a foot expected today.

Meanwhile early today, nine people on a pleasure cruise from Bermuda to New York were rescued from their sinking yacht during a storm 260 miles off Cape Henry, Va., the Coast Guard said. The rough weather was caused by Hurricane Grace, which was no threat to land today.

The seven women and two men were hoisted into Coast Guard helicopters as the 95-foot yacht, Anna Christina, was thrown about by almost 70 mph winds and 20-to-25-foot waves, said Coast Guard Lt. James Higgins.

Retired general among 10 accused of fraud

By PAT LEISNER
Associated Press Writer

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A fraud indictment accuses a retired general of having his company ship defective ammunition parts. Others are accused of offering bribes, women for sex, vacations and entertainment to lure military contracts and derail investigations.

The indictment unsealed Monday charges 10 people with a plot that included altering test results, bribing federal inspectors and using harassment and intimidation to prevent leaks.

"Altering test results is very crucial because it could jeopardize the lives of fighting men and women serving in the U.S. government," U.S. Attorney Robert Genzman said.

Wallace H. Nutting, a retired four-star general, was among eight top officers of Sooner Defense of Florida Inc. to be charged. The company employed 600 people at its Lakeland plant, east of Tampa, before it closed in August 1988.

"I intend to vigorously contest the charges against me," said Nutting, 63 of Biddeford Pool, Maine. He called the charges "incomprehensible" and said he had been cooperating with authorities for the past year.

"I have spent over 40 years of honorable service to my country in the United States Army," said Nutting, who headed the U.S. Southern Command, based in Panama, and

the U.S. Readiness Command when he retired in 1985.

Indicted along with the Sooner officers were William A. Tuttle, 61, a former government quality assurance representative from Lakeland, and Nancy C. Roberts, 54, a Defense Department employee from Marietta, Ga.

All 10 people were charged with conspiracy. They also were accused of various counts of submitting false claims, wire fraud, money laundering, making false statements, bribery, illegal wiretapping and obstruction of a Defense Department investigation.

Former Sooner Chairman Edward J. Geoghegan, 51, was indicted on 30 counts and if convicted would face up to 175 years in prison and \$7 million in fines, Genzman said.

The munitions included fuze assemblies for the 25mm cannon shells used in the main weapons on the Army's Bradley Fighting Vehicle and the Marine Corps' Light Armored Vehicle, as well as fuzes for Navy artillery shells. A fuze is a device for detonating bomb or explosive charges.

During military tests, there were two accidental explosions of munitions destined for Marine vehicles. There were no injuries, Genzman said, adding that none of the parts was shipped to American military personnel in Saudi Arabia during the Persian Gulf War.

Genzman said a "whistleblower" from Sooner started the investigation, which ran from 1982

through spring 1991. Investigators said they spent that time unraveling fake data, destruction of records and diversion of funds into insider loans and exorbitant salaries.

Nutting, in addition to ordering Sooner employees to ship defective fuzes, concealed his knowledge with altered documents, false testimony and misleading information, the indictment charged.

Also charged were John C. Bradford, 60, of Wixom, Mich., Sooner operations director; his 36-year-old

son, Steven C. Bradford, of Farmington Hills, Mich., an operations vice president; Robert W. Jones and Steven H. Steinberg, 40, Sooner officers from the Tampa Bay area; and David J. Barr, 28, and Gregory C. Bull, 37, managers and program supervisors from Lakeland.

Earlier this year, a Sooner supervisor, a civilian employee of the Army and a retired Army quality engineer pleaded guilty to related offenses.

Disciples of Christ rejects educator as leader over homosexual ordination

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A religious educator who argued that the Bible doesn't forbid the ordination of homosexuals was narrowly defeated to lead the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), but he praised the debate that helped cost him the job.

"We Disciples have done something significant in the way that we have carried out a churchwide theological conversation around this nomination," said the Rev. Michael Kinnamon.

Kinnamon, dean of the Lexington Theological Seminary in Kentucky, caused an uproar within the 1.1 million-member denomination by interpreting Scriptures as providing no basis for refusing to ordain homosexuals.

A secret ballot Monday of the denomination's General Assembly showed Kinnamon just short of the two-thirds majority needed for confirmation as president and general

minister. He got 3,679 votes, or 65 percent; he was the only nominee.

No nominee had ever been rejected in the history of the Indianapolis-based church, which traces its origins to an early 19th century frontier movement to unify Christians.

With the next election not scheduled until July 1993, a search committee was to recommend an acting president.

Kinnamon said he had no hostility toward those who opposed him. Kinnamon, 42, and his wife, Katherine, received a standing ovation as they stood on the platform after the vote.

"I know there are disappointed people in this arena," he said. "Please hear me. I am no less excited about the future of this church and no less committed to being a part of the future than I was an hour ago or a month ago or a year ago, and you must not be either."



(AP Laserphoto)

This a 1983 file photo of retired Army Gen. Wallace H. Nutting, former chief of the U.S. Southern Command in Panama. Nutting is among eight top-level officers of defense contractor Sooner Defense of Florida Inc., who, along with two government workers were indicted Monday in an alleged \$40 million fraud.

Horror novel strikes too close for comfort for woman reading it

GOLD COAST, Australia (AP) — A woman reading a novel by Stephen King had an experience straight from a horror tale.

Lightning struck Jennifer Roberts, 23, as she was reading "The Dead Zone" while camping with her husband, Brad, on South Stradbroke Island in southeastern Australia.

Roberts said he watched Friday as the bolt entered his wife's body through her watchband and burned a trail down to her toes.

Roberts took her by boat to the mainland, battling lightning and rain during the crossing. She is in Gold Coast Hospital in good condition.

"The scariest part was the feeling that my body had swelled up to 10 times its normal width and was about to explode," said Mrs. Roberts. "The doctors said I'd be dead if it were not for the rubber mattress we were lying on."

The lightning left her paralyzed for about an hour and burned through most of the novel, which has a picture of a man being struck by lightning on the cover and tells the story of how he wakes from a coma with clairvoyant powers.

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Lifestyles

Rotary students of the month



(Staff photo by Stan Pollard)

Pictured above is Pampa High School senior Joy Cambern, daughter of Ken and Judy Cambern. She is head varsity cheerleader and student body president. Cambern is a member of National Honor Society, Key Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Below is PHS eleventh grader, Damian Hill, son of Richard and Wanetta Hill. He attended Camp RYLA, and his interests include music, history and science. These young people were chosen Rotary Students of the Month at Pampa High School.



Spraying now yields better spring crops

For Horticulture

Joe Van Zandt

FALL SPRAYING AIDS FRUIT TREES

Preparation for next year's fruit crop can begin this fall by spraying trees for several fruit tree diseases.

Bacterial spot, bacterial canker, peach leaf curl and coryneum blight are diseases that can be slowed by spraying now.

Bacterial canker is the most serious of the targeted diseases. It is a common cause of tree dieback and death.

Canker also causes bleeding or gumming along the trunk and branches. In eight out of ten cases, fruit tree gumming is caused by canker rather than borers, which are often mistakenly blamed for the problem.

Canker gumming is especially evident in the fall. It is caused by a systemic bacteria that plugs the tree's vascular system. The only thing that will help trees seriously infected with canker is good care: adequate water, fertilizer and weed control.

Bacterial spot and coryneum blight commonly damage leaves and sometimes the fruit of stone fruit trees in the spring and summer. Physical signs of these diseases are leaves with small holes; in severe cases, trees are defoliated.

Spraying now will not eliminate the disease but will reduce its incidence next spring and summer.

Another common disease is leaf curl, which causes extremely crinkled leaves in the spring. Leaf curl is caused by a fungus that quits once temperatures begin to get warmer.

The disease is worse following a cool, damp April or May, but spraying now is usually sufficient to prevent it from becoming bad enough to cause heavy defoliation next spring.

Spraying different mixtures of Kocide 101, Kocide 606 and Kocide DF can be used effectively to prevent these diseases.

Kocide 101 is the only formulation available in small enough quantities to be practical for garden use.

Kocide contains copper, which will cause leaf burn on healthy green foliage, so wait until the leaves are beginning to drop and are easily brushed from the tree.

It is best to apply this spray while most of the leaves are still attached, but the spray is worthwhile, even if most of the leaves have already dropped.

Besides spraying, sanitation is

important in reducing the carry over of disease to next year's crop.

Mummified and rotting apples, dead wood on the ground or in the tree, plus ragged stubs of broken branches harbor disease spores. They should be pruned out, gathered, burned or tilled into the soil.

Fall is not a good time to prune fruit trees or other deciduous plants. Pruning stress, especially when coupled with other stresses including drought, poor nutrition and disease, can make the tree more vulnerable to winter injury.

The roots of deciduous trees, vines and shrubs are active throughout the fall and winter, and the soil should never be allowed to dry. With our current dry weather, a good soaking now should last a long time this fall to keep root systems adequately moist as deciduous trees will soon lose their leaves.

SQUIRREL PROBLEMS

I guess most everyone thinks our growing squirrel population in Pampa is pretty good to look at. I have received a few phone calls this year about how to keep the squirrels from harvesting all of the pecans from trees in the respective yards.

I have a pecan tree that has a few pecans on it for the first time this year. The other evening, while in the vicinity of this pecan tree, I noticed that the squirrels had found my tree as well. There were several split shucks where the squirrels had already harvested the nuts.

What can be done to reduce or eliminate squirrels from getting most of your pecans? Prevent squirrels from climbing isolated trees by encircling them with a two foot wide collar of metal, six feet off of the ground. Attach metal using encircling wires held together with springs to allow for tree growth.

Trim trees appropriately to prevent squirrels from jumping from roofs into trees.

Prevent squirrels from traveling on wires by installing two-foot sections of lightweight, two to three inch diameter plastic pipe. Slit pipe lengthwise, spread opening and place over wire. The pipe will rotate on the wire and cause traveling squirrels to tumble.

A book I have lists other control methods like if they get in an attic and etc. I believe the above listed procedures will assist in reducing pecan harvests in isolated pecan trees in a lawn situation.

Knight of the Year



(Staff photo by Stan Pollard)

At left is Benny Rodriguez with Bob McKernan. Rodriguez was awarded the Knight of the Year by Frank Kime Council 2767, of the Knights of Columbus. McKernan is Grand Knight of the Council.

Children may frighten more easily than adults realize

HOUSTON—Adults may frighten children more this Halloween than costumes or "haunted houses."

According to a psychologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, young children have difficulty distinguishing between fantasy and reality—a fact that adults may forget.

"Adults sometimes let their imaginations run wild when putting together Halloween costumes or planning activities," said Dr. Lou Ann Mock, an assistant professor of psychology at Baylor. "For example, an adult wearing a gory mask can be very frightening to a child because the mask covers the face."

If a child has existing fears and insecurities, then a frightening experience such as a visit to a haunted house can contribute to long-term problems such as fear of the dark. However, most healthy children will recover in a short period of time.

You children often has misconceptions about reality. Parents can talk to children to help them develop ideas about what is real and can help relieve their anxiety.

"The further removed from reality, the less terrifying and more entertaining it will become," Mock said.

Nightmares are common between the ages of 5 and 7. If a child is afraid of going to sleep, parents can ask the child what would help them not to be afraid. It may be something as simple as leaving a light on in the child's room or reading a book about fears to help the child see how other children deal with fears.

"Parents should encourage children to stay in their own beds at night," Mock said. "It is not a good idea to let them sleep in bed with the parents, but, if necessary, a sleeping bag on the floor in the same room is fine for a short while."

When planning Halloween activities, consider the children's ages and developmental levels and set some limits.

"Younger children will probably be satisfied with visiting a few houses at Halloween, while children older than 7 will want to do more," Mock said.

Haunted houses are popular. Parents can ensure an enjoyable experience by going through the haunted house first and then return with the child, pointing out scary scenes.

Halloween does not have to be a nightmare for parents or children, even on Elm Street.

Ex-smoker made dippy deal trading cigarettes for snuff

DEAR ABBY: When I was in high school, I used to smoke a pack of cigarettes a day. After I graduated, I went to work in a nuclear plant where smoking wasn't permitted, so as a safe alternative, I started dipping snuff.

Well, it wasn't as safe as I thought it was, because I became addicted. Dipping snuff is the first thing I do in the morning and the last thing I do before I go to bed.

I've noticed that my gums are receding and my teeth are spreading apart. I now have a permanent dent in my mouth between the cheek and gums where the snuff sets.

When I see my friends who are beginning to dip, I show them what's happening to me, but it doesn't seem to impress them. Even though I am now so addicted I'm doing two cans a day, I try to get them to quit. I guess some people will have to learn the hard way, like I did.

I hope this letter stops at least one person from dipping. It's just as bad a habit as smoking. Maybe worse.

ONE HOPELESS GUY



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR HOPELESS: It's commendable that you are trying to save others, but how about starting with yourself?

Call the American Cancer Society (the toll-free number is (800) 227-2345) and ask what kind of program is available for people who are hooked on dipping snuff — then join it.

If you can kick the habit, you will make an excellent spokesperson for the former "big dippers." Nobody can inspire others who are hooked on a habit and want to quit like the person who's been there.

DEAR ABBY: A year ago last spring I became engaged to a girl I thought was the most beautiful blonde in Illinois.

I am an officer in the reserves, and when my unit was put on alert last summer, I wanted to get married right away instead of waiting until June as we had planned. My fiancée said, "No, let's not hurry things." I gave her an engagement ring that set me back \$2,500.

We wrote to each other, and I called her every Sunday. She kept telling me she couldn't wait to be married and always told me that she loved me.

Suddenly, after Christmas, I got a letter from her saying that she had been seeing an old boyfriend — she was pregnant and had to get married!

When I got back home, I saw her and asked her to give the ring back. She stalled at first, then told me she had sold it because her husband is a free-lance photographer and he doesn't work much.

My parents said, "Be a gentleman and consider the ring your wedding present to her."

Abby, they really do need the money, but now I feel as if I've been slapped in the face twice by her. What do you again?

SLAPPED AGAIN IN CHICAGO

DEAR SLAPPED: She should have returned the ring as soon as she knew she was not going to marry you. You were extremely generous to consider the engagement ring her wedding present. After the snow job she gave you, a lesser man would have demanded the ice.

Why do people have freckles?

By 3-2-1 CONTACT For AP Special Features

Deep in your skin are cells that make a brown pigment called melanin (say: MEL-uh-nin). Sunlight makes your body produce more melanin. That's why you get a tan.

Sunlight also can make freckles appear. That's because freckles are just clumps of melanin under the skin. They appear because they

darken more quickly than surrounding skin.

Melanin helps to protect skin from the harmful rays of the sun. But people who have less melanin get sunburned, because they have less protection. A sunburn is a first-degree burn. That means it burns the top layer of your skin, turning it red.

Getting sunburns — and tanning — can cause wrinkles and skin disease. So slap on that sunscreen when you hit the beach or slopes.

Like mother like pup, if you're a sea otter

By 3-2-1 CONTACT

Mother knows best — especially if you're a sea otter pup. It seems that most young otters develop the same food likes and dislikes as moms.

Researchers at California's Monterey Bay Aquarium offered grown-

up otters a choice of 50 types of seafood. They discovered each otter only chose a few items from the "menu." And they mainly wanted to eat what good ol' mom fed them. The scientists think that eating only a few favorite foods may be a way for many otters to live in the same area.

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Sports

Twins' ace Morris files as free agent

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Jack Morris isn't saying goodbye to the Minnesota Twins. He just wants more money to stay.

Less than 17 hours after the final out of the World Series, Morris made himself eligible for free agency as baseball's business season began.

Pittsburgh outfielder Bobby Bonilla was among the 21 players to file on the opening day of the free agency filing period, but the bigger news concerned Morris, the World Series MVP.

On Sunday, he pitched one of the great games in Series history, a seven-hit, 10-inning shutout of Atlanta in Game 7. On Monday, he declined to exercise a 1992 contract option for \$3.65 million with the hope that he can agree to a more lucrative deal with the Twins.

"I'm not going to ask the Twins to make me the highest-paid pitcher in baseball," Morris told the *Star Tribune* of Minneapolis. "I will be reasonable. I will negotiate my own contract like I have most of my recent contracts."

He and the other potential free agents have until Nov. 11 to file.

Among the prominent players who did file on the first possible day were Kansas City outfielder Danny Tartabull, California first baseman Wally Joyner, Los Angeles second baseman Juan Samuel, New York Mets pitcher Frank Viola, Dodgers pitcher Mike Morgan and Cubs pitcher Rick Sutcliffe.

In other moves, the Toronto Blue Jays declined to exercise 1992 options on outfielders Mookie Wilson and Dave Parker, making them eligible to file. The Cincinnati Reds declined to exercise their 1992 option on outfielder Carmelo Martinez and declined to offer salary arbitration to pitcher Ted Power, making both eligible.

In order to exercise his option, Morris would have had to notify the Twins by Monday. Both the Major League Baseball Players Association and the owners' Player Relations Committee said they were not notified.

Morris earned \$3.65 million this season, including a \$50,000 bonus for making the AL All-Star team and \$100,000 for being selected as World Series MVP. He had the free player option for next year and an option for 1993 at a salary ranging from \$2 million to \$3.85 million, depending on his starts and innings pitched next season.

Twins general manager Andy MacPhail said Sunday he anticipated the contract would have to be renegotiated.

"I think we did this deal with the idea of revisiting it after the first year," MacPhail said. "We probably would have looked at it again had we finished first or third or whatever."

Richard Moss, Morris' agent, declined comment Monday on Morris' intentions.

Bonilla, who hit .302 with 18 homers and 100 RBIs, is the best hitter available. He turned down a \$16.8 million, four-year offer from the Pirates and is expected to get a deal worth at least \$25 million over five years.

"I'm having an open mind about anything," he said. "I want to go to the right situation for me and my family."

His agent, Dennis Gilbert, said he didn't think another offer by the Pirates would entice his client to re-sign.

"Bobby has taken all the risks up to this point," Gilbert said. "He's played the last six years without any injuries. Pittsburgh has had ample opportunity to make a deal. If the Pirates were really serious about making a deal, instead of talking to the media they would be talking to me."

Tartabull, another top hitter, also has Gilbert as his agent and also filed Monday, as did Viola, the top starting pitcher in this year's free agent group.

"If clubs want to talk, I'll be here listening," said Viola's agent, Craig Fenech. "I don't expect the Mets to make a preemptive offer in the next two weeks."

Viola turned down a \$13 million, three-year offer from the Mets early in the year, then slumped to a 13-15 record with a 3.97 ERA.

Joyner's agent, Barry Axelrod, said past problems with the Angels wouldn't be forgotten, but wouldn't keep Joyner from returning.

Chiefs trip Raiders, 24-21

By CRAIG HORST
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Los Angeles Raiders couldn't get into the end zone when they had the chance, then couldn't put the game away when they had the opportunity. The Kansas City Chiefs made them pay.

Steve DeBerg capped a rally from an 18-7 deficit with a 6-yard touchdown pass to Tim Barnett with 51 seconds to play as Kansas City overtook the Raiders 24-21 on Monday night.

With only two home games left, the Chiefs (6-3) moved within a half-game of first-place Denver in the AFC West by winning a game it could not afford to lose. Kansas City has home games with Denver and San Diego, and plays on the road at the Los Angeles Rams, Cleveland, Seattle, San Francisco and ends the season with a road game against the Raiders.

The Raiders, who like Kansas City have next week off, play their next game at Denver against the division-leading Broncos.

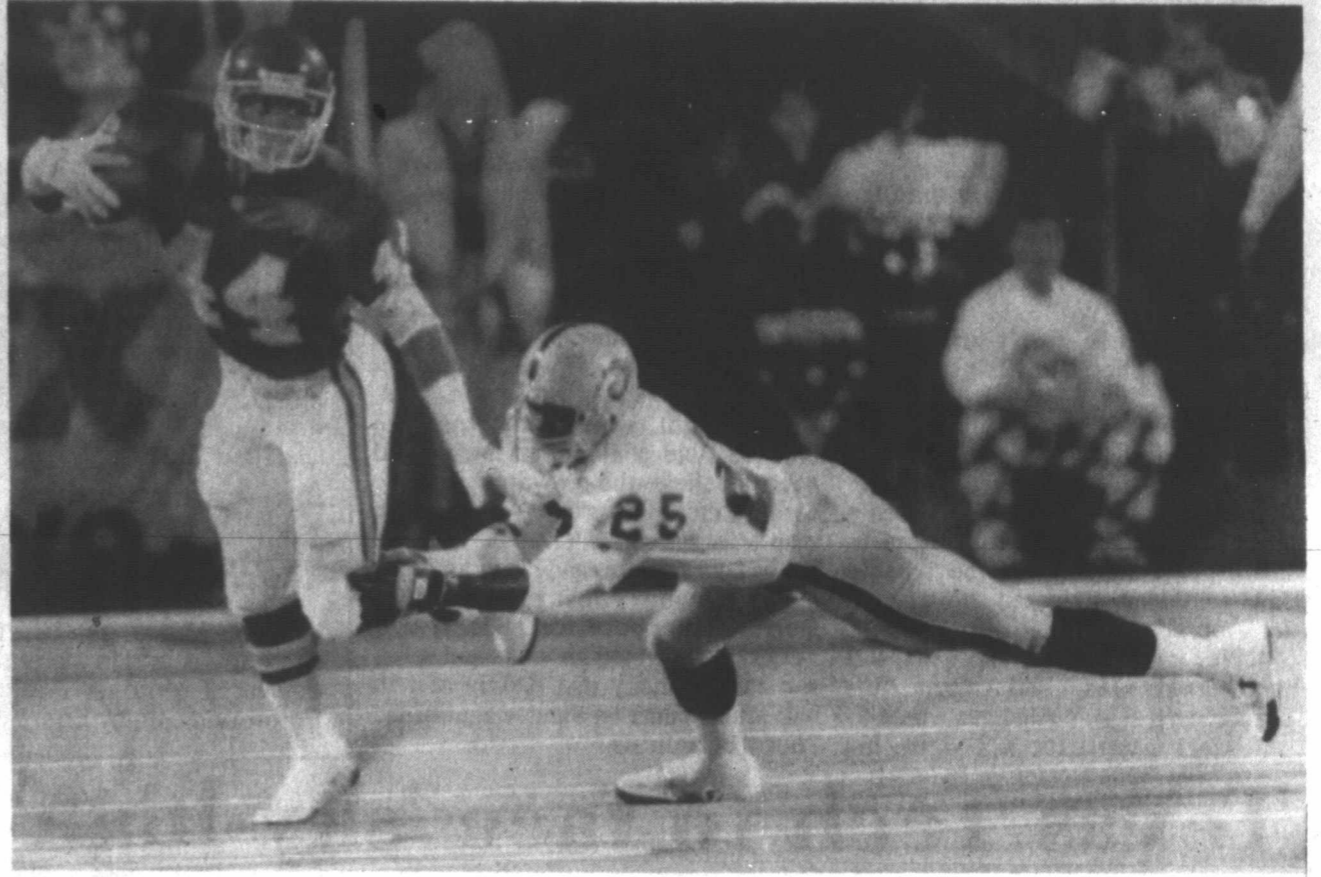
"I don't think any game is more crucial than any other," Raiders coach Art Shell said in downplaying the loss. "In two weeks we have to go down and play Denver. In two weeks we've got another crucial game."

Los Angeles led 21-10 and was closing in on a potential game-clinching score in the fourth quarter when Lloyd Burruss intercepted Jay Schroeder's pass near the goal line and returned it 83 yards to set up Christian Okoye's 1-yard touchdown midway through the fourth quarter.

It was the last in a series of missed opportunities for the Raiders, who had a chance to take command early and couldn't do it.

On the game's first series, Greg Townsend tipped DeBerg's pass, grabbed it and took off for the end zone. Officials originally called it a touchdown, but instant replay showed Townsend's knee was down before the goal line.

That cost the Raiders four points, because they were unable to punch



Kansas City Chiefs running back Harvey Williams (44) is tackled by Los Angeles Raiders defender Dan Land during the second quarter of Monday night's game in Kansas City, Mo. (AP Laserphoto)

in, settling for Jeff Jaeger's 18-yard field goal and a 3-0 lead.

On the next series, DeBerg fumbled when he was sacked. The ball squirted into the end zone, where Townsend missed a chance to recover it for a touchdown. Instead, Barnett fell on it for a safety.

The Raiders took the free kick and drove for 1-yard touchdown run by Nick Bell — the only time in four trips inside the Chiefs' 20 that Los Angeles got into the end zone. But the extra point was blocked, giving LA an 11-0 lead when the margin could have been 21.

"In the first half, it was one of those things, everything that could go wrong — Murphy's law — but I told the players at the half, if we just stay after this thing, we'll find a way to pull it out," coach Marty Schottenheimer said.

The Chiefs finally scored in the second quarter on an 8-yard pass from DeBerg to Fred Jones, but Schroeder answered by throwing a 37-yard touchdown pass to Steve Smith for an 18-7 halftime lead.

The two teams exchanged third-quarter field goals before Burruss made the interception that started the Chiefs' comeback.

"It was a completely stupid throw," Schroeder said. "At that point in the game, you don't throw it in there. You throw it in the stands, kick the field goal and keep the momentum going."

Burruss said he read the play.

"I knew what play they were running and it would have been very easy to turn and follow the man. I think God had the presence of mind to stay there and watch that quarterback," he said.

After Okoye's touchdown, the Chiefs forced a punt and took over at their 43 with 4:32 left.

DeBerg led the Chiefs to the Raiders' 9 before Jones was penalized 10 yards for offensive pass interference. But DeBerg found Todd McNair for 11 yards, then rifled another pass on fourth-and-4 to McNair, who leaned past tacklers for a first down on the 6.

DeBerg then spotted Barnett wide open in the end zone for the 6-yard game-winner.

"It was man-for-man and he was trying to jam me," Barnett said. "He did exactly what I wanted him to do. He pushed me inside. I was able to get open and he was never able to recover. When I broke and made a quick cut, he could never recover."

NCAA committee suggests process to streamline litigation settlements

WASHINGTON (AP) — The NCAA's enforcement arm has come in for plenty of criticism over the years, and a specially appointed committee thinks it knows why.

It takes too long to resolve allegations of wrongdoing in the nation's college athletic programs.

The special panel chaired by former U.S. Solicitor General Rex Lee proposed a quick settlement procedure Monday that would streamline the process to a matter of months.

The NCAA's enforcement chief would be empowered to enter an agreement with an institution's chief executive officer at any time after a preliminary inquiry has begun. If the two sides could agree on what the wrongdoing was, they could settle the case.

Initial reaction seemed positive.

UNLV may want to use the proposed procedure to negotiate a settlement on alleged rules violations, said Brad Bookey, the school's legal counsel.

"You could reach an agreement, take your penalty and get on with it," Bookey said. He is heading UNLV's response to last December's letter of inquiry alleging 28 violations in the basketball program.

The procedure could avoid excessive costs and months of adverse publicity now common in major infractions cases, said the Special Committee to Review the NCAA Enforcement and Infractions Process.

It could be used "in 50 percent of the cases," said Dick Shultz, the NCAA's executive director. Lee said he would like to see it used even more frequently.

The panel also proposed tape-recorded interviews by investigators and hiring retired court judges as hearing officers in contested cases.

One of the biggest changes: the hearings would be open.

Opening it up "will be enlightening, refreshing ... and increase public confidence," Lee said.

Public hearings would have to be considered at the NCAA's 1993 convention, unless the body agrees to hold a special session.

Other changes can be adopted in the next few months, Lee said.

A mid-December hearing will be held to gather reaction to the committee's report. The NCAA Council will consider it early in January. The council is a 44-member group of college administrators that is the body's board of directors.

The NCAA's enforcement procedures have been under fire for years from congressional critics and some coaches, such as UNLV basketball coach Jerry Tarkanian.

UNLV's basketball team in the upcoming season is banned from live television and postseason tournament play. That discipline resolves a case that began in 1977 and which Tarkanian took to court. Another NCAA probe of UNLV basketball is pending.

"We talked with Tarkanian personally," Lee said. "He is a very good basketball coach."

But Lee said the committee "found the existing system fundamentally fair and sound."

Among the recommendations:

- Tape-recording interviews with witnesses and supplying copies of those tapes to the college or person under investigation. The interview summaries of NCAA investigators often are inaccurate, critics say. And the NCAA doesn't provide written interview summaries to the subjects of its probes.
- The enforcement staff should personally visit an institution's chief executive officer with a preliminary notice of inquiry and should provide some indication of the nature of the potential violation and the portion of the athletic program where it allegedly occurred.

Currently, the enforcement staff simply sends a preliminary letter of inquiry. Personal contact would help establish a spirit of cooperation, rather than an adversary proceeding, the committee said.

Early reaction from college officials was positive.

"This should have been done 40 years ago. At last, we're getting around to it," said Lou Henson, basketball coach at the University of Illinois.

Illinois' basketball team was barred from post-season play for the 1990-91 season after a 16-month investigation into the Illinois' recruiting practices. The team is on probation for this season and next and has restrictions on recruiting.

At Kansas, officials were equally in agreement with the NCAA's new direction.

"Anything to expedite the process, as long as justice is served, is a good thing," said Richard Konzem, assistant athletic director for administration. "It's obvious we need to do something. There are just too many problems with schools getting into trouble. I think this is a step in the right direction."

The investigation of Kansas, announced a few months after the Jayhawks won the 1988 NCAA basketball championship, involved alleged violations in 1986 and 1987. It resulted in the school being placed on NCAA probation for three years.

Braves' Smith admits mistake

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Lonnie Smith, whose baserunning mistake in the seventh game may have cost his Atlanta Braves a run — and possibly the World Series — admits he was faked out by the Minnesota Twins' infield.

Smith refused to talk to the media immediately after Sunday night's 1-0, 10-inning loss to the Minnesota Twins. But he told a *Philadelphia Inquirer* columnist it was "my mistake" when he failed to score from first on Terry Pendleton's long eighth-inning double.

"On the ball Terry hit, if I'd taken the time to take one look, that could have been the difference," Smith told the *Inquirer*. "... Evidently, they all seem to think if I had picked the ball up ...

"It happened. My mistake."

Smith, who was running on the pitch, said he didn't look toward the plate as Pendleton swung, but saw second baseman Chuck Knoblauch appear to field a grounder and throw to shortstop Greg Gagne.

It was all a fake — the ball was sailing toward the left-center wall. Smith stopped after rounding second, then realized where the ball was and resumed running. But the delay forced him to stop at third.

"Evidently, what nobody realizes, I was going with the pitch on a delayed steal," Smith said. "I got about halfway and I heard the sound of the bat. I made the mistake of not looking in when I started running. I just assumed that the ball would be hit on the ground."

In fact, left fielder Dan Gladden and center fielder Kirby Puckett were sprinting desperately toward Pendleton's long drive.

"Before I had a chance to look back, I saw the two infielders trying to glove something," Smith said.

"Then I looked up and I happened to see Gladden running toward the outfield (fence), and I saw Kirby, and then I noticed the ball almost as it hit, and after I saw they weren't going to catch it, I started running as hard as I could," Smith told the newspaper.

"You know, if I saw the ball off the bat, there's a good chance I could have scored. But I didn't see it. I didn't take that look in. That's my mistake."

It was still second-and-third with none out when Ron Gant hit a dribbler to first base. Smith stayed at third.

"I was told to let it go through" before breaking for home, he said. "And if it's a high chopper, it was my own decision. Since it wasn't a high chopper, and my momentum wasn't going forward, and since we had two good hitters coming up there, I decided to play it safe."

After an intentional walk to David Justice, Sid Bream hit into an inning-ending double play.

"If I was going as he's going into the windup, if I'm going on contact right off the bat and I took off, I had a chance," Smith said of Gant's grounder. "Terry was surprised I didn't go. The only reason I didn't ... I didn't want to risk ending an opportunity."

Series generates big bucks

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A full share for the World Series champion Minnesota Twins is worth a record \$119,593 while a full share for the Atlanta Braves is worth \$73,331.

The 19 postseason games generated \$29,640,817 and the players' pool, created from 60 percent of the revenue from the first four games of each playoff series and the World Series, totaled \$12,850,681.

Players on the winning team get 36 percent of the money and the losing team gets 24 percent.

After subtracting specified cash payments to players and personnel who didn't get a percentage share, the Twins voted 32 shares. The amount of a full share breaks the previous record of \$114,252 set by the 1989 Oakland Athletics.

The Braves voted 36 shares and fell short of the record losing share of \$86,221 set by the A's in 1988.



Rex Lee, left, president of Brigham Young University and chairman of a special NCAA enforcement and infractions committee, details the panel's recommendations Monday at a Washington press conference. (AP Laserphoto)

Johnson: Cowboys handed Lions early Christmas gift

IRVING (AP) — Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson wondered how his Cowboys would respond after a week off. They came out against the Detroit Lions like a team still on vacation.

So much for the NFL off-week. The well-rested Cowboys, who spent extra time getting ready for the Run-and-Shoot, lost two fumbles and had two interceptions in the 34-10 loss to the Lions that dropped their record to 5-3.

Johnson said it was Christmas in October for the Lions.

"We have a better team than we showed," Johnson said. "We just weren't sharp enough in any phase of the game to win. It's a very disappointing loss."

Johnson said he wasn't sure the bye was a factor but said "the turnovers just killed us."

"We seemed to be just missing by a step," said Dallas offensive coordinator Norv Turner. "We just weren't sharp."

Quarterback Troy Aikman missed a wide open Michael Irvin for a touchdown just before the Cowboys had a field goal attempt blocked and returned for a touchdown.

"We moved the ball well but turnovers killed us," said Aikman. "It's a game we feel we could have won."

Aikman passed for 322 yards, his

second best as a Cowboy, but suffered the two pickoffs including a 96-yard interception return by Ray Crockett.

"I didn't want a bye, I wanted to keep going the way we were playing," Irvin said. "The week off hurt us."

The game was tied 10-10 at halftime but the Cowboys suffered another case of the third quarter blues.

The Dallas offense has yet to score a touchdown in the third period.

"We always seem to make mistakes after halftime," Turner said. "We'll have to research and address it."

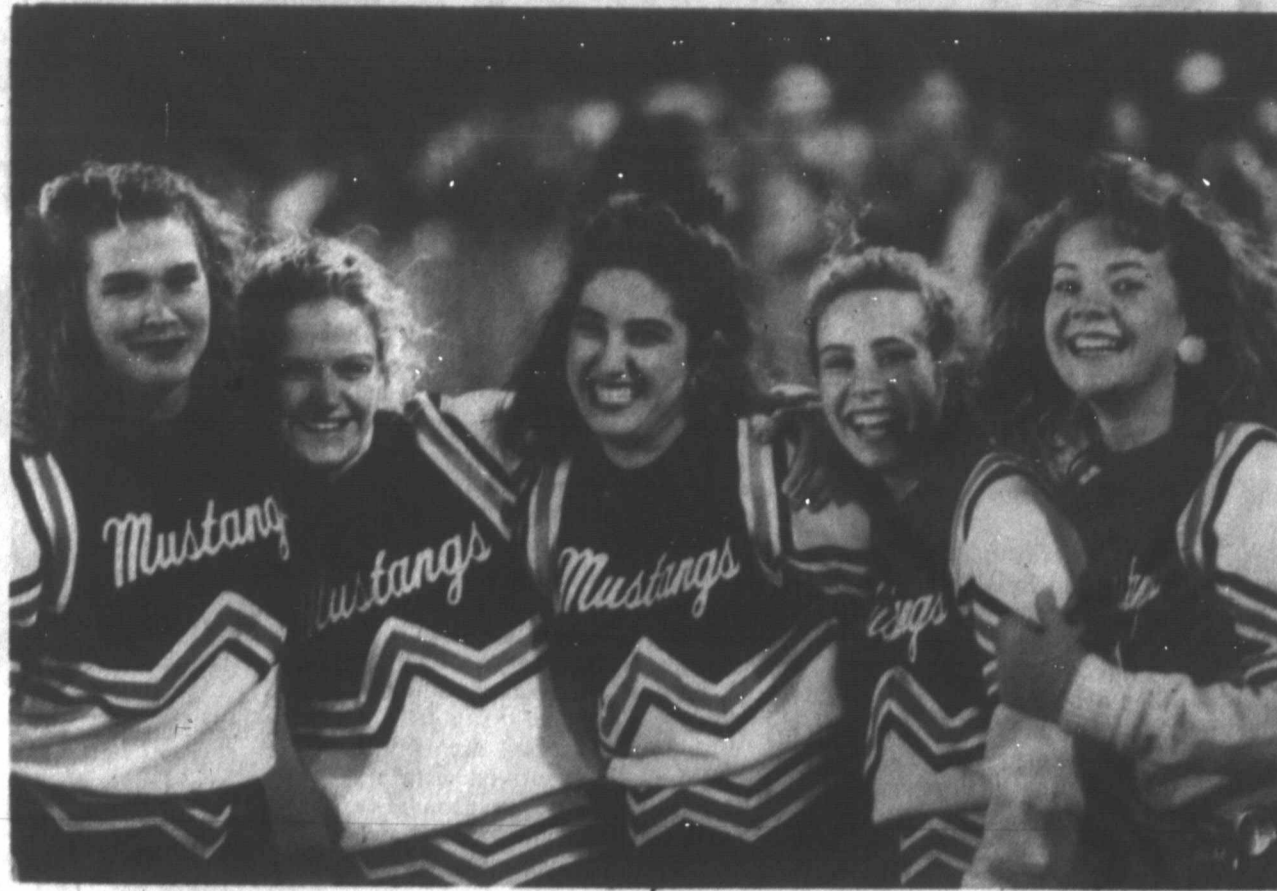
The Cowboys originally welcomed the week off because it gave them time to heal injuries and an extra week of work against the run-and-shoot offense.

"We believe the off-week helped get our defense well," Johnson said.

"Detroit got two touchdowns on a blocked field goal and an intercepted pass. I believe the crowd might have been a factor in the game. We fumbled a snap when we couldn't hear the cadence. We had our mistakes and it cost us."

The Cowboys lost punt returner Derrick Sheppard for at least two weeks. He sprained an ankle and Johnson said Monday that Kelvin Martin will return punts on Sunday against the Phoenix Cardinals.

Full of cheer



Wheeler Mustangs cheerleaders have plenty to cheer about as their team jumped a spot from third place to second in the state rankings of Class A football teams. Smiling for the camera during the Friday night win over Booker are, from left, Nissa Boedeker, Gayla Maddox, Jana Velasquez, Julie Porter and Shelby Beers. Not shown is Nikki Scott.

Texas Tech to face 'sky-high' Longhorns this week

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK (AP) — Some may be questioning whether Texas' trip to the Cotton Bowl last year was a fluke now that the Longhorns have stumbled to a 3-3 start.

But Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes, whose Red Raiders take on Texas this week in Austin, has no such thoughts concerning the Longhorns.

"Texas has a typical Texas team this year," Dykes said Monday. "They have a big, strong, physical defense and a good offense with linemen, who average the size of a door. They are outstanding."

Dykes says despite Texas' losses to Mississippi State, Auburn and Arkansas, the Longhorns will be

sky-high at home this week. Texas won the Southwest Conference last year and finished the season 10-2.

"I think they have won 94 percent of their home games dating back to forever," Dykes said. "Whatever the percentage is, it's high and you can't like it."

'Texas has ... linemen who average the size of a door. They are outstanding.'

— Spike Dykes

After a sluggish start, Texas Tech has won two straight and Dykes said his team may be starting to peak.

For Dykes, the momentum can't build fast enough with games left against Arkansas, Baylor and Houston.

"Looking at the rest of our schedule, we'd better be playing our best," Dykes said. "We knew coming in it was going to be tough down the stretch."

After starting the season 1-4, the Red Raiders (2-2 in the SWC) have made a complete turnaround, winning

impressively against Southern Methodist (38-14) and Rice (40-20).

"The last two games have been good for us," Dykes said. "We played better against Rice than we have all year."

The return of Tech's star wide receivers Lloyd Hill and Rodney Blackshear, who led the SWC in receiving yards last year (973), has helped pump some life into a listless offense over the past two Saturdays.

"Having those two back sure does make the food taste better," Dykes said. "It can't help but give the team some confidence to have Rodney back. ... Rodney and Lloyd together give us the opportunity to make big plays."

Blackshear caught six passes for 154 yards and two touchdowns against Rice. Hill had seven receptions for 135 yards and a TD.

Dykes said Tech will have to do more than pass to beat the Longhorns. "Our running game has been

too hot," Dykes said. "And I don't think you can beat Texas just passing, so we will have to improve our running attack."

Dykes said starting quarterback Jamie Gill is questionable this week because of a strained arch in his right foot.

Backup quarterback Robert Hall threw three touchdowns, ran for two others and set a school record for total offense while subbing for Gill against Rice.

Hall accounted for 453 yards — 366 passing and 87 rushing — to break Billy Joe Tolliver's mark of 446 yards set against Oklahoma State in 1988.

"Robert had an outstanding performance," Dykes said. "The players have really responded to his leadership."

Redskins' Gibbs has 7-1, no-huddle Oilers on his mind

HERNDON, Va. (AP) — For Joe Gibbs, euphoria doesn't last long.

Less than 24 hours after an emotional, come-from-behind victory over the New York Giants — Washington's first triumph over its NFC East rival in seven games — Gibbs was already worrying about the 7-1 Houston Oilers, whom the Redskins face Sunday.

And don't ask him how it feels to be 8-0 and the NFL's only undefeated team.

"That's all comical to me," Gibbs said Monday in reviewing the 17-13 victory Sunday night over the Giants. "First of all, we've got eight, and that's

not going to get you anything. What we want to do is win the division."

But Giants Coach Ray Handley conceded the NFC East title to the Redskins after the game, saying the 4-4 Giants were fighting for a Wild Card playoff spot.

"Well, then we want to get home field advantage," responded Gibbs, whose reluctance to dwell on the positive is well known.

But Gibbs did find reason to relish the victory over the Giants — only Washington's second in its last 11 contests against New York and first at Giants Stadium since 1983.

"What I was proud of was that in the fourth quarter, we kind of took control of the game with two long drives," said Gibbs, whose club gained just 35 yards in the first two periods. "It was as big a turnaround as I've had on a team."

Quarterback Mark Rypien, who bounced back from a 3-for-8, 26-yard first-half effort to finish 12-for-25 with 159 yards and two touchdowns, earned special praise from Gibbs.

"I thought it was his best game," Gibbs said. "He's had big games, but to be the quarterback that takes you and beats the team that's beaten you

six times in a game where you're down ... and leads you back, there's not a lot of guys who can do that."

And for the second game in a row, rookie running back Ricky Ervins provided a big second-half spark, gaining 82 yards on 20 carries after replacing a faltering Earnest Byner. Ervins, a third-round pick out of Southern Cal, also kept Washington's first scoring drive alive with a pair of key third-down gains.

"He shows he can make the big plays for you," Gibbs said. "The better he does, the more we're going to play him. We have stepped up his role."

For his part, Ervins said his accomplishments won't hinder his relationship with Byner, who took the rookie under his wing on the first day of training camp.

"Some days, backs have times like that," Ervins said of Byner, who picked up just 11 yards on 10 carries. "With Earnest, it's going to be the same situation — you have to work together, and he's helped me since I got here."

But the Oilers, who feature a no-huddle offense and quarterback Warren Moon, are already on Gibbs' mind.

Hawkins leads nominations for Basketball Hall of Fame

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Connie Hawkins, whose swooping dunking and jukes, made him a legend in the New York playgrounds, led a group of eight players and six coaches nominated for the Basketball Hall of Fame today.

"He was arguably one of the best players in the history of the game and deserving of the recognition," Joe O'Brien, executive director of the Hall of Fame, said of Hawkins.

Hawkins spent some of his best years playing in obscurity after being banned by the NBA for allegedly introducing players to a man convicted of fixing games.

In 1967, he was named the most valuable player in the American Basketball Association's inaugural season after leading Pittsburgh to the league title. Two years later he was cleared of the gambling allegations in a \$1 million settlement of his suit against the NBA and joined the Phoenix Suns as a 25-year-old rookie. During his seven years in the league, he played in four All-Star games and averaged 16.5 points and 8 rebounds per game.

Two women players, Lusia Harris, the 6-foot-3 center who led Delta State to three national championships during the 1970s, and Nera White, who led her AAU team to 10 national championships and one world championship during the 1950s and 1960s, were picked by a special women's committee. The committee was established by Hall of Fame Trustees this year to help ensure recognition of the greats of the women's game.

Three women, including Margaret Wade, Harris' coach at Delta State, are among the 179 individuals and four teams currently enshrined in the Hall of Fame.

In order to be elected, the nominees need 18 of 24 votes from the Honors Committee, which traditionally meets in early spring. The enshrinement ceremonies are scheduled for May 11 in Springfield, where basketball began a century ago.

Team Pampa gymnasts win three events

Team Pampa had three event champions in the USFG District I Gymnastic Championships held in Odessa last weekend.

They were Katy Cavalier, vault champion in Level 7 (12 to 14 age group); Aubrea Ward, vault champion in Level 6 (8 to 11 age group) and Andrea Clark, bar champion, Level 6, 12 to 14 age group.

All the girls plus Chrissy Norris qualified to advance to the North State Championships to be held in Hurst, Eulass and Bedford Nov. 9.

The team is coached by Fred & Lola Hughes of Gymnastics of Pampa.

Pampa gymnasts and how they placed in the individual events are as follows:

Level 7 (12 to 14 age group) — Katy Cavalier, first, vault, 9.45; third, bars, 9.0; third, beam, 7.2; third, floor, 8.95; fourth, All-Around, 34.25.

Level 6 (8 to 11 age group) — Aubrea Ward, first, vault, 9.1; third, bars, 8.9; second, beam, 8.35; seventh, floor, 8.75; third, All-Around, 35.10.

Level 6 (12 to 14 age group) — Chrissy Norris, fifth, vault, 8.55; fifth, bars, 8.0; fifth, beam, 7.35; 10th, floor, 8.65; 10th, All-Around, 32.55.

Level 6 (12 to 14 age group) — Andrea Clark, second, vault, 9.0; first, bars, 9.05; fourth, beam, 7.95; third, floor, 9.00; second, All-Around, 35.00.

Sports Scene

Football Standings

DISTRICT 1-4A			
Team	District	Overall	
Pampa	3-0	7-1	
Dumas	2-1	4-4	
Randall	2-1	5-3	
Borger	1-2	2-8	
Hereford	1-2	5-3	
Caprock	0-3	0-8	
DISTRICT 2-2A			
Team	District	Overall	
Wellington	3-0	8-0	
Canadian	2-1	6-2	
Panhandle	2-1	6-2	
Clarendon	1-2	2-6	
Highland Park	1-2	3-5	
White Deer	0-3	1-7	
DISTRICT 1-1A			
Team	District	Overall	
Wheeler	3-0	8-0	
Memphis	3-0	6-1	
Booker	1-2	5-3	
Claude	1-2	5-3	
Gruver	1-2	3-4	
Shamrock	0-3	0-7	
DISTRICT 1-1A (Six-Man)			
Team	District	Overall	
McLean	3-0	7-1	
Groom	2-1	6-2	
Miami	1-1	4-4	
Follett	2-1	5-2	
Lefors	0-3	3-5	
Higgins	0-3	1-6	

Soccer Standings

Standings and scores in the Pampa Soccer Association are listed below:

Under 6 Division			
Team	W	L	T
Eagles	6	0	0
Giants	5	1	0
Red Raiders	5	1	0
Prates	4	2	0
Tornadoes	4	2	0
Jets	3	3	0
Crunch Bunch	2	4	0
Master Blasters	1	5	0
Rocketeers	0	6	0
Ninja Turtles	0	6	0

Scores: Pirates 3, Master Blasters 1; Giants 6, Ninja Turtles 0; Eagles 3, Crunch Bunch 1; Jets 2, Tornadoes 1; Raiders 13, Fireballs 0.

Under 8 Division			
Team	W	L	T
Energizers	6	1	0
Goal Busters	5	0	2
Master Blasters	5	0	2
Rocketeers	5	2	0
Green Hurricanes	4	1	2
Raiders	4	1	2
Blue Jays	3	3	1
Red Devils	3	4	0
Sockers	2	5	0
Jets	2	6	0
Giants	0	7	0
Wolverines	0	7	0

Scores: Green Hurricanes 3, Sockers 0; Master Blasters 4, Wolverines 0; Raiders 4, Blue Jays 2; Goal Busters 2, Red Devils 1; Energizers 2, Giants 1; Rocketeers 5, Jets 1; Jets 3, Wolverines 0.

AP Schoolboy Football Poll

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	Team	Record	Points
Class 5A	1. Arlington Lamar	(8-0) (15) 227	
	2. Dallas Carter	(8-0) (7) 211	
	3. Odessa Permian	(8-0) (2) 186	
	4. Waco	(7-0-1) 155	
	5. Beaumont West	(8-0) 131	
	6. Alief Elsik	(7-1) 111	
	7. Jersey Village	(8-0) 76	
	8. Aldine	(6-1-1) 68	
	9. San Antonio Marshall	(7-1) 48	
	10. Mission	(8-0) 27	
Class 4A	1. Bastrop	(8-0) (20) 236	
	2. Houston C.E. King	(8-0) (1) 202	
	3. McKinney	(7-1) 149	
	4. Waxahachie	(7-1) 141	
	5. Sulphur Springs	(8-0) (1) 134	
	6. Tomball	(8-0) 110	
	7. Austin Westlake	(7-0-1) 88	
	8. LaMarque	(7-1) 67	
	9. (tie) Wilmer-Hutchins	(7-1) 46	
	10. Alamo Heights	(8-0) 46	

Racing Pigeons

The Top O' Texas Racing Pigeon Club held a young bird series Oct. 19 with the station at Elk City, Okla.

Airline distance was 100 miles. There were 68 birds engaged and eight lofts competing.

Winning speed was 1,090.83 yards per minute or 37 miles per hour.

Weather starting out was calm and clear. Weather coming home was clear with winds from the northwest at five miles per hour.

Name	Col-Box	Speed (ypm)
Tommy Duffield	BB-H	1,093.83
Tommy Duffield	BB-H	1,081.83
Pat Coats	BB-C	996.49
Jim Cantrell	BC-C	991.64
Doug Keller	Red-C	978.99
Jackie Sampson	BB-H	971.70
Jackie Sampson	BC-C	971.17
Pat Coats	BB-WH-H	970.23
Dale Locke	BB-H	960.10
Gary Jones	RC-C	925.33

The club held a young bird series race Oct. 28 with the station also at Elk City.

Airline distance was 100 miles. There were 63 birds engaged and five lofts competing.

Winning speed was 1,193.12 yards per minute or 40 miles per hour.

Weather starting out was calm and overcast. Weather coming home was overcast with winds from the south at 5 to 10 miles per hour.

Name	Col-Box	Speed (ypm)
Jackie Sampson	BB-H	1,193.12
Jackie Sampson	BC-H	1,192.10
Doug Keller	BC-H	1,700.75
Doug Keller	Red-C	1,098.82
Jim Cantrell	BC-H	1,086.52
Jim Cantrell	BC-H	1,089.90

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	8. LaMarque	(7-1) 67	
	9. (tie) Wilmer-Hutchins	(7-1) 46	
	10. Alamo Heights	(8-0) 46	
Class 3A	1. Sinton	(8-0) (16) 219	
	2. Southlake Carroll	(8-0) (7) 215	
	3. Forney	(8-0) (1) 154	
	4. Vernon	(7-1) 144	
	5. Columbus	(8-0) 133	
	6. Edna	(8-0) 99	
	7. Crockett	(7-1) 88	
	8. Mabank	(8-0) 80	
	9. Gilmer	(7-1) 62	
	10. Fairfield	(6-2) 48	
Class 2A	1. Schertzburg	(8-0) (20) 236	
	2. Tishavren	(8-0) (1) 208	
	3. DeLeon	(8-0) 180	
	4. Farmersville	(8-0) (1) 147	
	5. Karnes City	(8-0) 120	
	6. (tie) Ceina	(7-1) 95	
	8. Grapevill	(7-0-1) 95	
	9. Abertamy	(7-1) 50	
	10. Wellington	(8-0) (2) 49	
	Class 1A	1. Valley Mills	(8-0) (11) 209
2. Wheeler		(8-0) (3) 188	
3. Rotan		(8-0) (7) 187	
4. Italy		(8-0) (1) 186	
5. Rankin		(8-1) 113	
6. Garden City		(8-1) (1) 104	
7. Bartlett		(7-1) 88	
8. Ben Bolt		(7-0) 61	
9. Blue Ridge		(8-0) 48	
10. Thorndale		(6-2) 40	

Note: James Bowie received one first-place vote.

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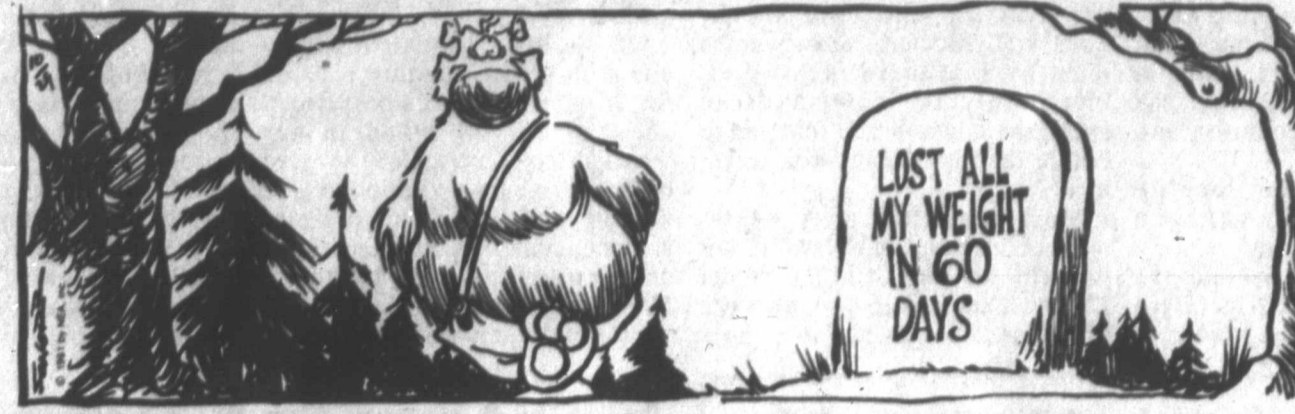
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Soviet 'babushkas' shoulder burden of taking care of family

EDITOR'S NOTE — They spend endless hours shopping, cleaning, waiting in line. Grandmothers, or "babushkas," have shouldered the burden for years, and still do. As part of an occasional series on how ordinary citizens cope with the Soviet economic crisis, the writer takes a look at how one "babushka" holds her family together.

By WENDY SLOANE
Associated Press Writer

KIEV, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Lydia Parra rises early to begin hours of food shopping for herself, her daughter and granddaughter. Her only companion on the daily treks is a laminated cloth bag on wheels.

"Every day I leave the apartment at 8 a.m. to buy eggs, but there aren't any," said Lydia, 74, checking her bakki, or cheese pie, in the

oven. "And they cost 10 rubles for 10!"

When she goes to the crowded bread store, her daughter Lena, 41, is asleep on the pull-out couch in the living room. While Lydia waits in line to buy milk, her 18-year-old granddaughter, Lika, still snoozes in the bedroom the two of them share.

By the time she returns, both are gone: Lena, a divorcee, to her job teaching Russian to foreign students at the Civil Aviation Engineering Institute, and Lika, a tall young woman with long curls, to Kiev State University, where she studies English translation and Japanese.

At the end of the day, they are tired and expect Lydia to have a home-cooked dinner ready.

"I do something around the house," Lena insisted, eating a weekend lunch of spicy fried egg-

plant and tomatoes with beef, which Lydia had prepared. "I made cookies once. They were delicious."

What were supposed to be Lydia's golden years are filled with the daily grind of making sure her family has enough to eat. As the economy continues to deteriorate and a harsh winter threatens, Lydia and other grandmothers keep their families going.

The grandmother, or babushka, often is the backbone of the household. Because most women must work to make family ends meet, only the babushka can spend the hours in line required to obtain the ingredients of a decent meal.

Most men refuse to do household chores and baby sitters are virtually unheard of in the Soviet Union. Many elderly women raise their grandchildren, and sometimes

their great-grandchildren as well.

It is not uncommon to see elderly women in their drab headscarves shuffling along the street carrying heavy, bulging sacks from a day's shopping.

Lydia, a heavyset former math teacher whose husband died nearly 10 years ago, has had two heart attacks in recent years and was hospitalized not long ago. In spite of her poor health, she still goes to the shops every day.

On one trip, she spent nearly one-fifth of her monthly pension for 26 pounds of potatoes, which she had to roll home in her wheeled bag. One night, she went out late to a subway station to give a package of butter and cheese to an acquaintance, who promised to deliver it to her 48-year-old son in Moscow.

"He told me it was hard to find

butter there," she explained with a stoic shrug.

The daily quests are becoming even more difficult. The government raised prices drastically in April, tenfold for some ordinary items, and the family now buys nothing but food and necessary books.

Because of a strict rationing system in the Ukraine, vouchers are needed to buy clothes, appliances, food and most other goods at state stores. Bread and milk are exceptions.

No ration coupons are required at farmers' markets and "commercial shops" owned by cooperative enterprises, but their prices are far too high for most people.

Lydia receives a monthly pension of 175 rubles, up from 65 rubles in April; Lena earns 420 rubles a month and Lika, gets a stipend of 150 rubles from the university. All

receive the bright yellow ration vouchers.

The combined incomes are barely enough to live on.

Lena used to travel to Moscow often to visit friends she met while attending a language institute there, but now it's too expensive: about 40 rubles round trip.

"I began to think, 'My God, I'll return, and what are they going to eat?'" she said. "I can't let Mama or Lika eat only porridge just because I felt like traveling to Moscow."

For Lydia, there are no luxuries.

With winter coming, she devotes most of her time to stocking up on food. Recently, she brought home onions that cost nearly 3.5 rubles a pound.

"Imagine if she had bought 10 kilos of onions?" Lena asked. "What would she have left?"

Three Israelis die, 11 wounded in attacks

By SHIBLI ABI ASSI

TYRE, Lebanon (AP) — Arab guerrillas killed three Israeli soldiers and wounded 11 today in two attacks in southern Lebanon on the eve of the Mideast peace conference in Madrid, officials and sources said.

A roadside bomb was detonated by remote-control at 9 a.m. as an Israeli patrol passed near Aramta, a village at the northern edge of Israel's self-proclaimed security zone. Lebanese security sources said the blast left three soldiers dead and six wounded.

In a separate attack, five Israeli soldiers were wounded in a clash with guerrillas near the village of Marwheen in which two Arab commandos were killed and one wounded, according to Israeli military sources.

The Iranian-backed Shiite Muslim fundamentalist group Hezbollah, or Party of God, claimed responsibility for Aramta bombing in a statement from this southern Lebanese port.

Meanwhile, Abbas Musawi, leader of the Hezbollah movement, pledged to step up attacks on Israel and its proxy, the South Lebanon Army militia, as part of a "pan-Islamic campaign to foil the conference."

Musawi, addressing a heavily guarded news conference at his headquarters in the southern Beirut suburb of Bir el-Abed, proclaimed Wednesday, when the peace talks open, as a "day of Islamic wrath and mourning to protest against American attempts to impose hegemony on the Muslims."

In Madrid, an Israeli government spokesman, Yossi Olmert, accused the Palestine Liberation Organization of a role in the Aramta attack.

"This is not a situation which can be allowed to continue," he said.

He added, "We are still committed to talking peace with whoever has peaceful intentions toward us. These incidents are an attempt to derail prospects" for a settlement.

Israel carved out the 440-square-mile security zone in the summer of 1985 as a buffer against cross-border guerrilla operations in its northern settlements. The possibility of an Israeli withdrawal from southern Lebanon is an issue that could be addressed at the Madrid peace talks.

The Israeli soldiers had been searching the Marwheen area following reports that Palestinian-manned hang gliders had attempted to cross the border into Israel. The reports of gliders were never confirmed.

One source said the guerrillas fired on the Israeli patrol with automatic rifles and rocket-propelled grenade launchers.

The clash lasted about 15 minutes and reinforcements were brought in but the guerrillas remain at large, the source added.

The source said Israeli gunners fired flares that illuminated the northern sector of the security zone after receiving information that "suspicious objects have entered the zone's airspace."

The Christian Voice of Lebanon radio reported that three hang gliders operated by "suicide guerrillas" took off from the Syrian-policed Bekaa Valley at 6 p.m. Monday headed for the security zone.

In 1987, a Palestinian guerrilla crossed the southern border in a hang glider, landed in northern Israel, and killed six Israeli soldiers and wounded eight before he was slain.

Ecological damage in Kuwait could take years to remedy

KUWAIT CITY (AP) — As the firefighters douse Kuwait's blazing oilfields near the end of their mission, the states of the Persian Gulf face the daunting task of restoring their damaged environment. The job could take years.

Environmentalists want action while one of the worst man-made environmental disasters in history is still headline news.

"Once the well fires are extinguished, the perception of the crisis will diminish rapidly, the international memory of the incident will quickly fade," said Richard Golob, an oil pollution control expert based in Cambridge, Mass.

"The wells serve as a reminder that Kuwait and the gulf region have suffered an unprecedented environmental catastrophe."

Iraqi troops let loose the world's biggest oil slick, estimated at 4 million barrels, and set ablaze or damaged 732 oil wells before they were forced from Kuwait in February.

As of Sunday, 28 wells had yet to be brought under control as the black cloud covering Kuwait gradually thinned to reveal blue skies for the first time in months.

Twenty-seven firefighting teams from the United States, Canada,

Britain, China, Iran, France and elsewhere are preparing to head home. The last well fire is expected to be snuffed in early November.

Much the fragile ecology of Kuwait's desert has been devastated, however, and a thick coating of crude smears about 400 miles of Saudi Arabia's coastline.

"Kuwait won't be back to normal for decades," said Paul Horsman, gulf coordinator of the London-based Greenpeace environmental protection group.

The oil slick and pollution killed thousands of birds and destroyed desert vegetation, mammals and reptiles. Fishing grounds, a key part of the gulf's ecology and major food source, have been ravaged.

Thick clouds of acrid, sulphurous smoke from the oil fires, carrying large amounts of pollutants, shrouded parts of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain for months. The fires spewed about 2.5 billion cubic feet of smoke into the atmosphere, officials said.

The wind-borne pollution has caused health hazards and environmental problems far beyond the gulf. Black rain fell in Pakistan, Turkey and Bulgaria.

Few of the region's enormous

environmental problems have been seriously addressed, aside from putting out oil well fires and clearing mines.

"Both here and in the United States, there seems to be deliberate efforts to cover up the real environmental consequences of the war," Horsman said.

Thousands of mines and unexploded ordnance from the Persian Gulf war remain in the sand, a constant danger to environmental teams.

Saudi Arabia this month allocated \$450 million to clean its polluted shores, but has not launched a major effort.

Environmentalists say the main reason for the delay is the lack of significant world or regional funding for the cleanup, which is expected to cost billions.

Golob said the International Maritime Organization has been able to collect only \$6 million for a special fund for oil spill-related projects. The U.N. Environment Program was able to raise only \$2.6 million for the first phase of a regional rehabilitation program.

Golob said members of the U.S.-led coalition that liberated Kuwait should reunite to help resolve its environmental crisis.

Toshiba announces major investment in Time-Warner Inc.

TOKYO (AP) — Toshiba Corp. and a Japanese trading company will invest \$1 billion in Time-Warner Inc.'s film and cable television divisions in the latest marriage of Japanese hardware and U.S. software, sources said today.

Toshiba, a leading consumer electronics company, and C. Itoh and Co. later scheduled a news conference to announce the "strategic tie-up" with the U.S. media and entertainment giant, a Toshiba statement said.

Industry sources confirmed earlier reports that the Japanese companies will split a \$1 billion investment in a new joint venture among the three companies focused on Time-Warner's film and TV divisions.

Toshiba and C. Itoh each would contribute \$500 million for 12.5 percent of Time-Warner's stock overall, Japanese news reports and industry sources said.

The move by Toshiba was seen as a scaled-down version of previous entrees into Hollywood by Sony Corp. and Matsushita, two other Japanese consumer electronics companies that have sought to "synergize" their product lines with film and TV production.

For Time-Warner, which had sought the venture, it was a chance to further reduce the \$8.9 billion in debt left from its 1989 merger and to pursue Chairman Steven J. Ross' goal of staying on top of consumer equipment advances.

C. Itoh is a major partner in one of Japan's satellite consortia, JCSAT, and the joint venture with Time-Warner — and its film library — gives it films to broadcast on its satellite channel.

As well, Toshiba needs films to broadcast on its high-definition TV technology.

"At the moment, it's going to be an uphill battle to get people to buy HDTV. There's not enough programming," said Barry Dargan, an analyst at James Capel here. "The thing to do is provide your own programming. And the main means of broadcasting will be satellite."

"For Time-Warner, it means powerful partners with cash. At the moment, Time-Warner is sitting on a library that's underutilized," Dargan said.

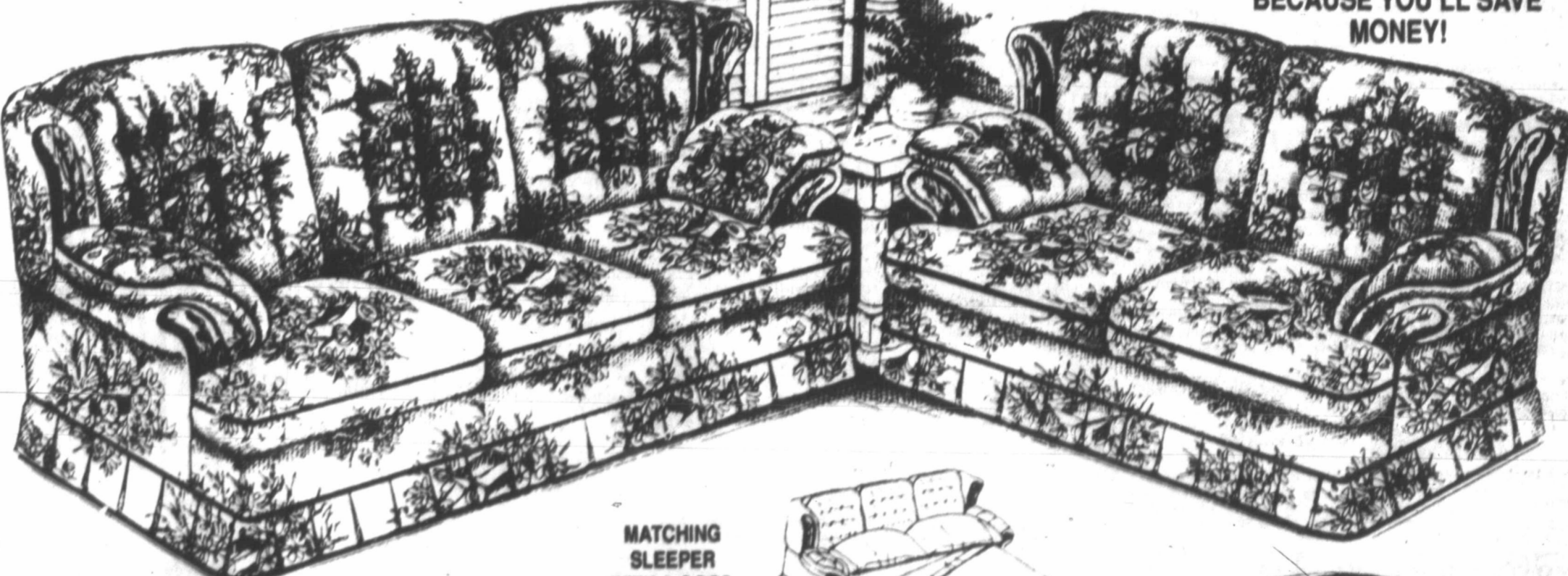
The fact that the joint venture is a relatively low-stake one, however, may reflect growing Japanese doubts about swallowing U.S. entertainment companies, as well as the wisdom of completely merging software and hardware companies, analysts said.

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