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(Staff photo by Bonner Green)

Republican congressional candidate Ernie Houdashell, on tractor, addresses local farmers and ranchers during a stop in Pampa Thursday.

Congressional candidate Houdashell talks 'to the guys at the coffee shop'

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Incumbent Democrat Bill Sarpalius and former 13th District representative Republican Beau Boulter may have more name recognition than Ernie Houdashell, but the veteran broadcaster believes his ability to "talk to the guys at the coffee shop" is key to becoming the area's next congressman.

Houdashell, for nine years an agriculture reporter in Amarillo, said Thursday he is comfortable talking with the average person and is sensitive to their needs.

He characterized Sarpalius and Boulter as career politicians.

"This is not a politician's office, this is the people's office," Houdashell said of the 13th District seat. "The choice is clear. If you want to recycle politicians, you have them. If you want a clear, new voice, I'm the guy."

He described himself as a true conservative who is firmly against nationalized health care, saying, "I'm sorry, but health insurance is not a God-given right."

He does believe in insurance reform and policies that will put rural hospitals on equal footing with urban health facilities, however.

While he insists he will never buy a foreign car, Houdashell is also anti-protectionist in dealing with the Japanese.

"If we made them mad and they pulled their money out of the stock market on Friday about 2 p.m., we would have people jumping out of windows," he said. "I'm not going

to buy a foreign car, but I'm not going to tell you that you can't. The best way to deal with that issue is at the grass-roots level, not by passing laws."

Houdashell, from 1985-87 district director for Boulter, said he has an "axe to grind" with his former boss for "turning his back on the people" in challenging Lloyd Bentsen for the United States Senate.

"He said the congressman's position didn't give him a big enough sphere of influence," Houdashell stated. "So he's willing to settle for a little sphere now."

Of Sarpalius, Houdashell said, "I'm the guy who can beat him in September."

Citing his own research, Houdashell said over 5,000 Amarillo participants in the last congressional general election did not cast votes for either Sarpalius or challenger Dick Waterfield.

Houdashell believes he can forward the cause of disenfranchised conservatives. To reach those voters, he said he has begun advertising extensively during the Rush Limbaugh radio program. Limbaugh is the self-proclaimed standard bearer for conservatives and claims the largest audience of any radio talk-show host in the nation.

"Beau Boulter didn't hire me because I'm good looking," Houdashell stated. "He hired me because of my ag knowledge, my media knowledge. I want to put that knowledge to work for the people."

He also said, "Bill Sarpalius has been living off the fat of the land

like Beau Boulter and (Republican candidate and former congressman) Bob Price. Bill Sarpalius had a base built in the late '70s and early '80s from his Boy's Ranch days, but that base is crumbling and he doesn't have the ability to build a new base."

Houdashell blamed that on a problem he says Boulter and Sarpalius share - being professional politicians who must force themselves to be around the average working people.

"I can sit in the coffee shop in Childress or go have dinner in Quanah and talk to the guy on the street and hear him," Houdashell said. "Beau Boulter can't do that. When I worked for him, I made sure he did it, but he didn't like to do it."

"Sarpalius - I won't say he lies, but he capitulates on the issues so bad - couldn't even decide if Desert Storm was a good deal, so he took an opinion poll."

Analysts have described Sarpalius' strongest support as being in Wichita Falls.

"Number one, people in Wichita Falls don't really know him," said Houdashell. "The closer you get to the house, the fewer people you fool. In Pampa, Sarpalius doesn't fool anybody. Neither does Boulter. And I'll give Bill Sarpalius Wichita Falls and still strip the bark off him."

In addition to working for Boulter, Houdashell has served since 1987 as district director for State Rep. John Smith of Amarillo, owned a restaurant in that city and served two tours of duty in Vietnam, which included combat time.

Lake McClellan cleanup plans finalized

Board members of Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. Thursday night finalized plans for the Lake McClellan Cleanup Day, scheduled from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 29.

Board member and project coordinator Sid Mauldin announced that those who plan to participate may camp at the lake the night before, if they wish, free of charge, provided they collect and turn in a bag of trash by 9:30 a.m. the day of the cleanup.

Cleanup volunteers are asked to report to the concession building at the lake by noon. They will be provided free collection bags in which to place debris and will be assigned designated cleanup areas when they check in at noon.

Secured, filled trash bags will be left along the side of lake area roads in order to allow Gray County crews to easily retrieve them to haul off to the landfill.

Coca-Cola Bottling Co. and Peggy's Place will provide free Coke and coffee to volunteers, and prizes and gift certificates will be given away courtesy of Wal-Mart, Alco, Hastings Books Music & Video, Wayne's Western Wear, and Holmes Gift Shoppe & Sports Center.

In other business, the board heard a report from Lewis and Elizabeth Meers about the Gray County 90th Anniversary Day celebration to be held at Lake McClellan.

The day of family activities, scheduled for Saturday, May 30, will mark the 90th birthday of Gray County, 1902-1992, and will feature a wide variety of entertainment and food, along with special activities for the children, including a fishing tournament. The list of entertainment and other activities associated with the celebration will be announced at future meetings.

The board authorized members Garth Thomas and Ted Simmons to

work with the U.S. Forest Service to get the lake area or a portion of it designated an official Lake McClellan Route 66 campground.

Delbert Trew of Alanreed told the board that interest in Route 66 is "red hot" and suggested it would benefit the improvement project to develop a tie to the historic highway, which passed only two miles south of the lake site in southern Gray County.

Trew, who is public relations coordinator for the Old Route 66 Association of Texas, encouraged the board to expand with maps and other public information materials promoting the lake.

In other business, Mauldin was authorized to proceed with plans for a fund-raising dance to benefit the improvement group.

Mauldin said plans call for having Razyzy Bailey to provide dance music for the fund-raiser, which will be held in April at the City Limits at 1300 S. Barnes in Pampa. The date and time of the dance will be announced later.

Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. was formed in July 1991 to help make improvements at the lake and to restore the lake to tourist and recreation area status. The group works with the U.S. Forest Service, the North Rolling Plains Resource Conservation and Development Council, and the Soil Conservation Service.

Lebanon strikes Israel with artillery fire today

By MOHAMMED SALAM
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KAFRA, Lebanon (AP) - Hours after Israeli troops withdrew from two south Lebanon villages they had stormed to knock out guerrilla rocket launchers, another round of rocket fire hit northern Israel today.

A 5-year-old girl was killed and three other people wounded by a Katyusha rocket fired from Lebanon that hit a collective farm in northern Israel, radio reports and Israeli sources said.

The Israelis hit back with fresh artillery attacks, but there was no indication that Israeli ground forces were preparing to move north again.

The developments were the latest in a week of violence that included a weekend Arab attack on an army camp inside Israel, Israeli air strikes on suspected PLO bases in south Lebanon, the Israeli assassination of the leader of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah, and a Palestinian stabbing today of four Jews, one fatally, in the Israeli town of Kfar Sava.

Despite the escalating attacks, the United States has said the next round of peace talks in Washington on Monday is still on track.

Today was the fifth straight day that rockets fell inside Israel, fired by Hezbollah guerrillas to avenge Sunday's slaying of their leader Sheik Abbas Musawi.

The Katyusha attack came hours after Israeli troops withdrew this morning, under cover of heavy artillery fire, to their self-proclaimed "security zone" in southern Lebanon.

Israel established the zone in 1985 to guard its territory against cross-border raids. The area north of it is patrolled by a 5,800-member, nine-nation U.N. force.

In Thursday's incursion, an Israeli force led by three dozen tanks and three armored personnel carriers charged out of the zone and into the villages of Yater and Kafra, just to the north. The Israeli forces broke through U.N. barricades and got in fistfights with the peacekeepers.

Before today's rocket attack on the Galilee in northern Israel, the commander of the Israeli forces, identified only as Col. Y, had told

Israeli army radio that Thursday's mission was successful.

"The operation went exactly according to plan and according to the time table. The targets were hit just as we wanted them to be," he said.

Military sources said a Katyusha struck the Granot Hagalil collective farm in the western Galilee, only a few miles from the border with Lebanon.

The child who was killed was playing outside her house when the rocket hit, and her father also was among the wounded, Israeli radio said.

According to the radio, the rocket was one of a barrage of 14 Katyushas fired from Lebanon at mid-afternoon, but the rest fell in the security zone, and no casualties were reported.

Following the Katyusha attacks, more Israeli artillery shells hit Yater, but there was no immediate word on casualties, security sources said. On Thursday, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir had said the army would keep striking guerrillas who launched rocket attacks "until we quiet them."

The Israeli incursion had drawn a strong rebuke from the United Nations secretary-general and warnings from Syria that it was

ready to join the battle.

Today, European Community nations condemned the upsurge in violence in the region, and the Palestine Liberation Organization, Iran and Egypt denounced the Israeli foray.

In the incursion, various sources said, two Israeli soldiers and four Shiite guerrillas were killed. At least eight U.N. soldiers - seven Fijians and a Nepalese - were wounded, said Timur Goksel, the spokesman for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

After the Israeli withdrawal early this morning, hundreds of gunmen wearing Hezbollah's trademark black headbands bolted out of shell-pocked houses in Kafra to celebrate what they perceived as a battlefield victory that forced the Israelis out.

Three hours before today's pull-out began, Israeli fighter jets swept in low for mock air raids. Residents were jolted out of bed as the jets made repeated passes over Tyre and dropped parachute flares that illuminated the sky.

The Israeli shelling of Yater and Kafra intensified after Hezbollah guerrillas unleashed a barrage of 10 Katyushas at mid-morning. Reporters touring Kafra took cover in a barn as thundering blasts shook the village.



(AP Laserphoto)

Parents and family members of Israeli soldier Capt. Eran Alkawi, 24, who was killed during clashes with Hezbollah fighters in Lebanon, mourn at his funeral Friday in a cemetery south of Tel Aviv.

Settlement reached in cattle partnership dispute as jury returns with trial verdict

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

A lawsuit over a cattle partnership gone sour was settled Thursday about the same time as the jury in the case came back with a verdict in 23rd District Court.

William "Bill" David Stockstill of Gray County filed the lawsuit against Dennis Holt of Borger alleging Holt had breached their cattle partnership agreement. Holt filed a counterclaim against Stockstill in the case.

A five-man, seven-woman Gray County jury was chosen Monday and began hearing evidence in the case that day. The trial continued through Thursday when closing arguments were concluded about 2:45 p.m. and the jury began deliberations. Shortly after 5 p.m. when the jury returned with a verdict, the court announced that the case had been settled.

The settlement agreement has not yet been filed in the District Clerk's office.

The dispute between the two businessmen centered around a Dec. 20, 1988, partnership agreement and whether that agreement had been broken by one or both parties. The agreement called for the stocking of cattle on land in Collingsworth County owned by Holt. The contact was to run from March 1, 1989, to March 1, 1990.

In closing arguments, Amarillo attorney David Mullin said, "This case is about a man breaking his agreement and then coming back and making false claims and charges to get out of it."

Mullin, who represented Stockstill, characterized Holt as being "greedy" and said he wanted "a million dollars."

Mullin said Holt had agreed to pay interest in the original agreement because Stockstill was putting up the large sum of money of "over a million dollars" for the venture using Holt's land in Collingsworth County to run the cattle.

The Amarillo attorney said Holt told Stockstill to get the cattle off his land in October 1989 because Holt wanted to sell the property.

"I think that's the motivation behind it ... that's where the agreement ended in October. That was breach of contract," Mullin said.

Mullin pointed out that following that action, Holt asked for an accounting and got it from Stockstill and that Holt then wrote a letter to Stockstill pointing out things he did not agree with.

Holt contended during the trial that the letter was meant to be a settlement offer and did not include

everything with which he did not agree on the accounting.

Stockstill then wrote back to Holt saying he wanted four months credit on the rent because he believed Holt had broken the agreement, Mullin said.

Borger attorney Leon Mitchell, who represented Holt, said in closing arguments that his client was the "nice guy" and "nice guys finish last."

Mitchell said that Stockstill overstocked the land and grass and that he put more cattle on the land than the agreement called for and, therefore, Stockstill broke his word.

"Bill Stockstill breaks his word and Dennis (Holt) gets called greedy," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said the grass was practically gone after Stockstill ran almost 3,000 head of cattle on the 25.5 sections of land and that after Stockstill moved the cattle off in October 1989 it could not be restocked for the rest of that year and all of 1990.

The Borger attorney said that Stockstill wanted Holt's ranch and abused it so no one else would want it and Stockstill could purchase the land.

Mitchell said that the \$96,722.09 in interest Stockstill charged the partnership was not fair because he then turned around and claimed it as a deduction on his personal income tax return. He said that amount was not the amount agreed upon in the original contract.

Stockstill claims he charged 13 percent interest, the same he was having to pay the bank to get some of the money to fund the partnership.

Mullin said Holt's claiming that "Bill Stockstill had his way with me" was "nonsense and foolish trash."

The Amarillo attorney said that both men were businessmen and knew what they were agreeing to in December 1988.

Although the jury verdict will not be used in the case because of the settlement agreement, the jury agreed 11-1 that Holt had agreed that the following expenses were properly charged to the Stockstill-Holt Partnership: \$81,600 for a leasehold payment; \$1,135 for house repairs on the hired hand's residence; \$175 to B&B Electric; \$30 for a water faucet; \$450 charged back to the partnership for 90 acres of wheat; and \$6,908 as commission on the cattle purchase.

The jury also found that each of the above listed expenses were reasonably incurred by Stockstill in the ordinary and proper conduct of the business of the partnership.

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U.S. officials clear up Russian confusion on arms proposal

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. officials said they cleared up a major Russian misunderstanding about President Bush's offer to reduce multiple-warhead missiles at sea.

The issue of sea-based warheads is central to Bush's proposal for shrinking the U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenals beyond levels set in the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, which was signed before the collapse of the Soviet Union.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee this week began START ratification hearings. Some in Congress think the treaty should be redone to incorporate the deeper arms cuts now on the bargaining table for the United States and Russia.

Ron Lehman, director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, told reporters Thursday that Russian officials had doubted the fairness of the Bush offer because they misunderstood how the proposed cuts

would affect U.S. submarine-launched ballistic missiles, the most modern in the U.S. arsenal.

Bush, in his State of the Union address last month, offered to eliminate all U.S. land-based missiles with multiple warheads and to reduce by one-third the number of multiple-warhead missiles on submarines. This was conditioned on the Russians agreeing to eliminate all their multiple-warhead missiles based on land.

Lehman said the Russians thought Bush was proposing to make the one-third cut in sub-launched warheads from current levels, which analysts estimate at 5,760.

"Their concern was that that would give us an advantage," Lehman said, since land-based missiles make up the bulk of the Russian strategic arsenal whereas the American arsenal is weighted heavily in favor of submarine-based missiles.

In fact, Lehman said, Bush meant the cut would be from the total the Pentagon expects to have at sea after

START is implemented. He mentioned no post-START total, but analysts put it at 3,456 warheads aboard 18 Trident subs.

Thus the actual Bush formula would result in roughly 1,500 fewer U.S. warheads at sea than assumed by the Russians.

"They haven't said, 'We accept,'" the Bush proposal as clarified during Secretary of State James A. Baker's talks in Moscow on Tuesday, Lehman said. "What they have said is, 'Is it going to be equitable?' and we have said yes and we have shown them how."

"In fact it is equitable," said Robert S. Norris, a nuclear arms expert at the Natural Resources Defense Council, an environmental group.

He calculates that under the Bush proposal Russia would wind up with 2,320 warheads on missiles deployed on submarines and the United States would have 2,350.

Further U.S.-Russian arms talks are to be held in March.



(AP Laserphoto)

Famed sex therapist Dr. Ruth Westheimer, right, and Colin Baily, curator for the Kimbell Museum in Fort Worth, look at the "Loves of the Gods" exhibit at a special preview Thursday at Philadelphia's Museum of Art.

Dr. Ruth previews 'Loves of the Gods'

By ERICH SMITH
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — For the sex therapist known to millions as just Dr. Ruth, the Philadelphia Museum of Art's new exhibit "Loves of the Gods" offers more than just an 18th-century French view of love and lust from Greek and Roman myth.

"It's important to me to see what we can learn from these pictures that we can apply today," Dr. Ruth Westheimer said Thursday, studying "Aurora and Cephalus" by Francois Boucher.

The huge canvas from 1733 depicts the goddess of dawn and an Athenian prince, seated on a cloud and loosely draped with white, blue and saffron sheets.

"Here is a woman — a goddess — who is determined to take this mortal. ... He would be a fantastic lover. That's what she has decided," she said.

But in the story told by Ovid, the goddess soon became bored with Cephalus because he constantly talked about Procris, his bride of two months. So Aurora set him free.

"This is a fantastic story of morality," said Westheimer. "He is married and he's very aroused. ... And look at his face. He is about to succumb to her desires, but he is not going to do it because of his marriage."

"And in this case, it's not because he's worried about

sexually transmitted diseases. He didn't have to worry about that with a goddess. He is determined to remain faithful."

Westheimer saw the exhibition in October at Galeries Nationales du Grand Palais in Paris. The 65 paintings are from museums and private collections throughout Europe, the former Soviet Union and the United States.

They will be in Philadelphia from Sunday until late April. They will conclude their tour from May 23 through Aug. 2 at the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth, Texas.

Westheimer said she was studying the paintings for her next book, "The Art of Arousal."

Philadelphia Art Museum President Robert Montgomery Scott welcomed the famed sex therapist at a preview luncheon.

"It can't help but amuse me to think of the pleasure of having Dr. Ruth Westheimer here, wondering what the gods would have been doing if they had known her," Scott said.

But Dr. Ruth was more interested in what the museum would do with the exhibition.

"I hope that the word gets out, that this is such a beautiful — I'm going to say it — sexually arousing exhibit, so that maybe people who would never think of coming to a museum will be here," she said.

Report shows drop in deaths from heart disease

ATLANTA (AP) — The U.S. death rate from heart disease — the nation's leading killer — fell 6.3 percent in a year and contributed to a 2.3 percent drop in the overall death rate, federal health officials said.

"That's extraordinary, isn't it?" said Dr. Anthony DeMaria, past president of the American College of Cardiology and a professor of medicine at the University of Kentucky. "This may just be an isolated blip on a curve, but a 6 percent reduction in mortality would really be amazing."

Overall, the nation's death rate dropped 2.3 percent from 1988 to 1989, the latest statistics available, the national Centers for Disease Control said Thursday. The decline in heart disease mortality was a major reason; it accounts for about a third of U.S. deaths.

That rate has been declining in the United States since the 1950s, but "six percent in one year is a pretty good decline," said Dr. Marian MacDorman of the CDC's National Center for Health Statistics.

Between 1979 and 1989, she noted, mortality from heart disease declined 21.9 percent.

"The decade of the '80s saw tremendous advances in public awareness and changes in therapy," said Dr. Randolph Martin, a cardiologist and professor of medicine at Atlanta's Emory University.

New heart drugs, angioplasty (clearing the arteries) and surgical advances have "clearly made a difference," Martin said. "The other aspect of it is the public's awareness ... diet, lifestyle. When you go to a cocktail party, everybody wants to know what their cholesterol is."

Death from stroke, which can be caused by the same factors as heart disease, also declined, by 5.7 in one year and 32.7 percent in a decade.

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States, behind cancer; the death rate from cancer rose 0.2 percent from 1988 to 1989, and 1.7 percent for the decade.

The CDC report was based on reporting from death certificates; 2,150,466 deaths were reported nationwide in 1989, 733,867 from heart disease. Cancer killed 496,152 people, and stroke killed 145,551.

AIDS killed 22,082 people that year, and rose from 15th to 11th on the mortality list.

"The recognition of a disease and its emergence as a leading cause of death within the same decade is without precedent," the CDC noted.

The 2.3 percent drop in the nation's death rate coincides with an increasing life expectancy in the United States, now up to 79 years for women and 72 for men.

Scientists pinpoint gene that causes adult MD

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Science Writer

BOSTON (AP) — The discovery of the gene that causes the most common form of muscular dystrophy in adults should help doctors identify carriers, provide early diagnosis and begin the search for treatment, researchers say.

The disease, called myotonic dystrophy, affects about one in every 7,000 to 8,000 people worldwide. It gets worse as it is passed from generation to generation.

Two weeks ago, researchers announced their discovery of a flawed bit of genetic material that appeared to trigger the disease. Today, they published their discovery of virtually the whole gene where the error occurs.

Together, the work provides a new starting point for research on several fronts to control the disease. "This has been the bottleneck," said Dr. Robert G. Korneluk of the University of Ottawa, one of the gene hunters.

Korneluk's team and two other research groups culminated a com-

petition to track down the gene with the publication of three studies.

One appears in today's issue of Cell. The other two will be printed next week in Science.

Dr. Henry Epstein of Baylor College, a member of one of the research teams, noted the work will allow extremely precise diagnosis of the condition.

It will disclose those who carry the gene and risk producing children with muscular dystrophy. It will spot those who have the disease in their family and are likely to become ill later in life. And it will enable pre-natal diagnosis of the condition.

But experts caution that the discovery does not suggest any obvious ways of curing or preventing the disease, which causes weakness and wasting of muscles.

"Treatment is not just around the corner," said Dr. David Brook of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, another co-discoverer.

But the findings at least help scientists begin a search for therapies.

"It doesn't necessarily tell us we could design a specific drug right

now, but it may offer that possibility," Epstein said.

Doctors theorize that the gene contains the code for the body to manufacture an enzyme. This substance, in turn, regulates the working of other crucial proteins that are found in cell membranes.

The researchers are uncertain whether the muscular dystrophy gene makes too much of this enzyme, too little or a defective form of it.

But their work shows that the abnormal form of the gene is active in the brain, heart and muscles, all parts of the body that are affected by the disease.

The defect involves the explosive copying of one tiny section of genetic code in the gene.

Normally this section, known in genetic shorthand as C TG, is repeated five to 27 times in the cells of people who don't have myotonic dystrophy.

Those with symptoms of the disorder have at least 50 copies. Those who are severely afflicted may have several thousand copies.

The number of repeated

sequences increases as the gene is passed from parent to child.

Brook said a grandparent with 50 copies of the gene may have few outward symptoms of the disease.

He may produce a son with 200 or 300 copies and disease that requires use of a wheelchair by age 60. The son, in turn, may have a child with 2,000 copies and symptoms that emerge while a teen-ager.

Another disease, Duchenne muscular dystrophy, commonly shows up during childhood. It is caused by defects in a different gene.

The research teams involved were Brook and Dr. David E. Houseman of MIT, working with scientists from the University of Wales and Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School in London; Epstein and Dr. C. Thomas Caskey of Baylor; and Korneluk and colleagues from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories and the University of Nijmegen in the Netherlands.

Their work was financed by the Muscular Dystrophy Association and other organizations.

Magazine pulls chain on Paris' public toilets

PARIS (AP) — To sit or not to sit? A rating of the French capital's public toilets may help Parisians and tourists arrive at a better-informed decision.

The monthly health magazine Que Choisir Sante reviewed the facilities in 22 popular Parisian establishments in its February editions.

In the land of both the bidet and the hole in the ground, the magazine

rated restrooms on a 20-point scale considering everything from a powerful flush to soap in wash basins.

The most chic places did not necessarily do well.

For example, the celebrated Cafe des Deux Magots, a haunt of Hemingway and Fitzgerald, scored only 8 points, with big demerits for the presence of fecal germs under the seats.

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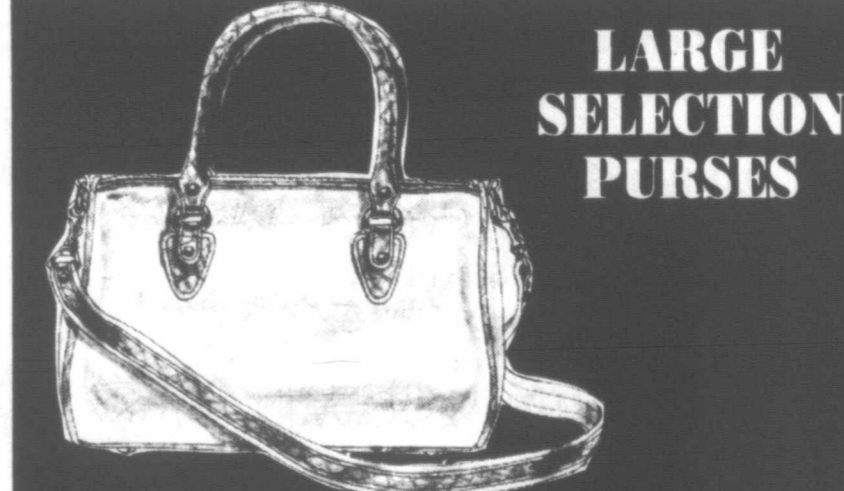
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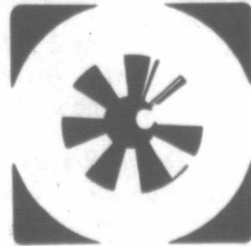
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Free Bibles distributed to Russians

By DAVID BRIGGS
Associated Press Writer

Standing in Gorky Park across the street from McDonald's, Bible society workers could not distribute free copies of Scripture fast enough for the Muscovites surrounding them shortly after the failed coup attempt last summer.

Barely would a package of 25 New Testaments be unwrapped when its contents would be taken, according to Robert B. Horan, president of the Colorado Springs-based International Bible Society Foundation.

"They'll come up to you and grab the Scripture out of your hand in a way that's incredible," Horan said. "It's like you're standing on a street corner in New York City handing out \$100 bills."

Revolutionary is perhaps the best word to describe the changes in the former Soviet Union's official attitude toward the Bible since a religious freedom law was passed in 1989.

Horan estimates that from 1917 to 1988, only 4 million copies of the Scriptures were smuggled or otherwise shipped into the Soviet Union; in one year, 1991, his group, in a combined Moscow Project with the Evangelical Christian Publishers Association and the Christian Booksellers Association, helped distribute 4 million New Testaments, half of which were printed in the country.

A government that once banned imports of the Bible to support its own interests in promoting atheism now welcomes the heavy flow of Bibles and encourages their distribution among Moscow police, and in orphanages, prisons and even the halls of the former Soviet Parliament. Scriptures were even handed out to soldiers in their tanks during the aborted coup by hard-liners last August.

United Bible Societies, of which the New York-based American Bible Society is a large part, has set a goal of distributing 7.8 million Scriptures to the commonwealth and Eastern Europe in 1991 and 1992. The organization plans to supply 30 million volumes by 1994.

Independent Bible societies have been established in Latvia, Estonia, Russia, Armenia, Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus, said the Rev. Michael Roshak, liaison of the United Bible Societies to the new Commonwealth of Independent States.

This year, he said, his group hopes to help establish independent Bible societies in Lithuania and Georgia.

At the dedication of the newly refurbished Bible House in Moscow in November, Russian deputy prime minister Yevgeny Saburov reportedly said it was hard to believe such a ceremony was taking place.

"In the past, the Bible was passed on underground as if it were a 'bomb.' Now it has become natural, helping us to glorify God," he said.

The International Bible Society's plans for 1992 include distributing slightly less than 2 million New Testaments primarily in Ukraine and Georgia. The group's long-range goals include distributing native-language Scriptures throughout the former Soviet Union.

In his trips to the commonwealth, Horan said he found a tremendous receptivity toward the Bible.

"There is an enormous hunger for things that were taken away from the people there," he said.

Roshak said there is a particular curiosity about the Bible among young people, many of whom have never held a copy and are looking to their roots at a time of upheaval.

"There is a general expectation ... that it's going to give them answers," he said.

David Briggs has reported on religion for The Associated Press since November 1988. Briggs received his master's degree from Yale Divinity School in 1985.

Hiland Church to host revival

Hiland Church, 18th and Banks, will begin a series of revival services today with Evangelist Jody D. Rogers of Scurry.

The revival will continue through Sunday. Service times are 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday.

The congregation and staff of Hiland Church invite the public to attend the services.

Religion

Houston preacher's dream becomes reality

By RICHARD VARA
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON (AP) — Bishop William Nelson Godfrey sees God's will clearly despite legal blindness from glaucoma-ravaged eyes.

That will is to be obeyed, the bishop believes, even if it tests the endurance of his 80-year-old body.

A series of strokes has slowed down Godfrey, and taken their toll in other ways.

Godfrey does not remember the year he saw a vision that inspired him to build the new \$1.5 million, 1,000 seat sanctuary for North Main Church of God in Christ, formally dedicated last month.

Godfrey said his vision for the new church occurred after 1962, when his congregation moved into a new but underused 300-seat sanctuary.

"During a prayer meeting I was on my knees and my eyes were closed," he said. "I saw the house (church) filled to its capacity. People were coming to the church from Missouri City, Sugar Land, Sunnyside and from all over the city."

He described what he saw to others present, including his wife, Josie M. Godfrey.

"It was astonishing to me," she said. "We had just a few members then, so I began to wonder about it. But just as he saw it, it came to pass."

The church's attendance rose to standing room only for its 11:15 a.m. Sunday service. Even added services at 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. did not lessen the strain on the small building. So following Godfrey's lead, the church began to consider how to expand.

Godfrey is convinced God gave him the vision so the minister could plan for a larger church. Those plans were nearly halted by his health problems.

During the 1980s Godfrey battled failing eyesight and a series of strokes, which damaged his hearing.

Godfrey was hospitalized for a

month nearly two years ago, and doctors gave his wife little hope for his survival.

"It's just a miracle that he is here," Josie Godfrey said.

Godfrey was determined to see his mission fulfilled. The 600-member church struggled to purchase additional property costing \$300,000 for the expansion. Then came the construction fund-raising that consumed many of Godfrey's sermons.

In December construction was completed on the new complex, which includes a sanctuary, church offices, nursery and fellowship hall.

"Never thought I would see anything this big," Godfrey said softly. The voice that preached countless sermons in 58 years of ministry is not as strong as it used to be. Sermons are now given by the assistant pastor, the Rev. Willie J. Collins.

But church building is nothing new to Godfrey.

In a ministry that began when he was 19, Godfrey has pastored and built four other churches in Texas: Wallisville Church of God in Christ, Wallisville; Godfrey Chapel, Liberty; Barnett Chapel, Port Arthur; and Devers Church of God in Christ, Devers.

Godfrey grew up in Wallisville. His father was a part-time Methodist preacher who eked out a living producing and selling charcoal.

Even as a small boy, Godfrey felt called to the ministry. But he was 18 before he decided to follow in his father's footsteps. By that time, his father was involved with the Pentecostal movement, and had joined the church of God in Christ denomination.

The Memphis, Tenn.-based black Pentecostal denomination was formed in 1897 and numbers 3.7 million members. There are 95 churches in Houston with an estimated 4,000 members.

The younger Godfrey was formally ordained in the denomination in 1939. He assisted his father with



Bishop William Nelson Godfrey and his wife, Josie Godfrey, stand in front of the new \$1.5 million, 1,000-seat sanctuary. (AP Laserphoto)

the Wallisville congregation the elder Godfrey had formed, and led them to build a church after his father died in 1932.

In 1934, he met Josie McBride. "He told me he had a dream and was shown my name in the Bible," she said. Godfrey believed they should marry, but she was not keen on being the

Godfrey would supplement his income by laboring for a dollar a day while Josie Godfrey worked as a domestic for \$3 a week. Sundays, she accompanied her husband's ministry by playing the piano and organ and singing.

He was transferred to nearby Liberty in 1940 to pastor a small church which eventually became Godfrey Chapel. He pastored the Liberty church for 46 years, using it as a base to establish the churches in Port Arthur and Devers.

The couple continued the long commute to Liberty after accepting the appointment to North Main Church of God in Christ in 1956. Godfrey enlarged the 40-member Houston congregation enough to construct a new building in 1962.

Parishioners describe Godfrey as a humble but powerful preacher and teacher.

"When he comes to the pulpit, he is all business," says Willie Mac

Boatner, a church member for 35 years.

Eva Reed, a member for 13 years, said she was attracted to the church by the friendliness and sincere lifestyle of members. Reed said church members pay weekly visits to hospitals and nursing homes.

But Reed was also attracted by Godfrey's low-key manner and clarity in teaching.

"I think he is one of the finest men we have," said Bishop R.E. Woodard, Godfrey's supervisor, who has known him for 50 years. "God knows he is a gospel preacher."

Retirement is not in Godfrey's plans. He draws inspiration from his congregation's growth and from a change in people's attitudes toward religious matters. "People are getting serious now. Perhaps the times are making them serious. We have more people in church than we ever had," he said.

Religion roundup

ASHEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — The leader of the Southern Baptist Fellowship, an organization of moderates, says scores of missionaries have asked if they can switch to the fellowship because of dissatisfaction with fundamentalist policies of the denomination's Foreign Missions Board.

"I get letters and phone calls every day from missionaries sick to death of what the Foreign Mission Board trustees are doing," says the Rev. John Hewett, a pastor here and moderator of the fellowship formed last year in opposition to the present fundamentalist control of the denomination.

The fellowship voted to offer employment to missionaries in Europe after the board's two top administrators for that region quit in protest against recent trustee actions.

The Rev. Cecil Sherman, a moderate leader and Fort Worth pastor, has accepted an offer to become the

first full-time executive coordinator of the new fellowship. He is moving to Atlanta to take over the post.

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (AP) — The founder of "Operation Rescue," which has staged protests at many abortion clinics, says he is launching a syndicated daily radio talk show.

From studios in this, his hometown, Randall Terry says the show will be broadcast by satellite beginning April 20. He said stations across the country are being lined up to carry it.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, assuring the recent convention of National Religious Broadcasters that he favors voluntary prayers in public schools, said, "In Sunday school, children learn that God is everywhere but in public school they find that he's absent from class."

Survey: Most never heard of 'New Age'

NEW YORK (AP) — A recent survey indicates that most Americans have never heard of the "New Age" movement — and that most of those who know about it disapprove.

Why then, do many accept some of the best-known "New Age" ideas?

"There can be reasonable explanations for it," said sociologist Barry Kosmin, who directed a survey in the fall of 113,000 Americans about their religion, turning up hardly a trace of New Agers.

He said sometimes seemingly incompatible results can be due to an incongruous mix of elements.

For example, he said, suppose that a group with curious tenets also holds that the Earth is round; and if those disapproving the group are then asked if they consider the Earth round, they'll doubtlessly agree.

Such factors may have figured in a recent extensive survey by the Gallup organization about the so-called New Age movement, which has been the subject of numerous books and articles.

The movement is less a religion than a loose-knit array of beliefs, disseminated by some writer-advocates and entertainment figures such as Shirley MacLaine.

Some hefty criticism of it — and sometimes apprehensions about its impact — have come from biblical quarters, Jewish and Christian.

It is among the "most serious theological errors Christianity has ever faced," an "alternative world view," says Maurice Smith of the Southern Baptist Interfaith Witness department.

He says a New Age belief that "all is one," akin to Eastern religions, with everything from people to water to energy considered a uni-

versal whole, leads to a view that everything, including each individual, is God.

"If I had to put my finger on one reason New Age is popular, it is the belief that you are God," Smith says, "and therefore can determine what is right and wrong. ... New Age is the ultimate do-it-yourself religious system."

However, its grip is not as extensive as sometimes indicated. Gallup's survey of a nationwide representative sample of 2,045 adults found that only a fourth of Americans have ever heard of New Age.

Of the minority who have, only 18 percent have a favorable opinion, while 49 percent disapprove, the others undecided. Only 13 percent of the minority aware group think effects of New Age are good for society.

The findings, detailed in Emerging Trends, published by the Gallup organization's Princeton Religion Research Center, with an error possibility of plus or minus 3 percent, also bring out this odd quirk:

That while most Americans have never heard of New Age, and most of those who have hold an unfavorable view of it, a surprisingly high proportion accept many of its practices and beliefs.

The New Age movement stresses the paranormal, the harnessing of special mental powers, and also techniques such as presumably drawing energy from crystals and communicating with the dead, including messages "channeled" from dead sages.

Among some paranormal phenomena espoused by New Age, the survey found:

- About half of Americans believe in extrasensory perception, the ability to perceive thoughts or

feelings by means other than the five senses.

- More than a third believe in mental telepathy through which people presumably can communicate their thoughts to others through pure mental energy.

- A fourth believe in astrology — that affairs of their lives may be governed by movements of planets.
- About a fifth say they have been in touch to varying degrees with the dead.

The survey found that most Americans, like New Agers, believe in life after death — 84 percent of Catholics and 74 of Protestants, and that about 45 percent of adults share New Age belief in psychic or spiritual healing.

But that and other parallels are because the views on life after death are not exclusive to New Agers.

On reincarnation, a belief New Age shares with Hinduism that lives are repeated in different bodies, Catholics (11 percent) were twice as likely as Protestants (5 percent) to believe in it.

Even on this matter, Kosmin, of the Graduate School of the City University of New York, points out some respondents might understand "reincarnation" simply to mean life in the hereafter. He said that could make the agreement with New Age thought appear larger than it actually is.

Clearly, the survey found that Americans overwhelmingly reject the New Age movement's more esoteric, distinctive features, such as deriving energy from crystal rocks.

Under 3 percent of adults think that's possible. Under 2 percent accept the New Age notion that long-dead sages can possess minds and bodies of present-day persons to "channel" messages.

First Pentecostal to host special services

Revival services will begin Sunday at the First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, with the Rev. Mick Snider of Dewar, Okla., as guest evangelist.

Snider will speak at the 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday services at the church. Services will be held nightly at 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The evangelist's wife and son

accompany him and they form a musical group.

Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation invite the public to attend the special services.

Missionaries to speak Sunday at Calvary Baptist

The Rev. Paul and Robin Tingley, missionaries to Venezuela, will speak at the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday at Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd St. The public is invited to attend.

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Actor Dick York dies at age 63

ROCKFORD, Mich. (AP) — Actor Dick York, best known for his role as Darrin on the 1960s television series, "Bewitched," has died at 63, a funeral home spokesman said.

York died Thursday afternoon at his home in Rockford, said David Pederson of Pederson Funeral Home in Rockford. He had suffered for several years from emphysema and a degenerative spinal condition but worked to raise funds for poor people.

For five years, York played the stressed-out husband to Elizabeth Montgomery's nose-twitching Samantha on the popular ABC series about a witch who could work miracles with a twitch of the nose married to a mortal advertising executive.

He was replaced on the show by Dick Sargent in 1969 when problems stemming from an old back injury, including overdependence on painkillers, forced him to leave. The show ran from 1964 to 1972.

York was born Sept. 4, 1928, in Fort Wayne, Ind.

York began his acting career as a child, doing radio in Chicago, where his family moved when he was young. At 15, he starred in the network radio show "That Brewster Boy."

In addition to his television



Dick York

work, he appeared in several films, including "My Sister Eileen," "Going My Way," and "Inherit the Wind," in which he played the schoolteacher whose teaching of evolution prompts the celebrated 1920s "monkey trial." He also appeared on Broadway in the mid-'50s in "Tea and Sympathy" and "Bus Stop." He and his wife, Joan, moved to

Rockford, about 12 miles north of Grand Rapids, in 1985 to be near her mother after the death of her father. The couple had planned only a short stay until York's health worsened.

Despite his ailments, York was active in raising funds for the homeless, working by telephone while largely confined to his home. He called his private fund-raising effort Acting For Life.

"I'm ready to fight city hall and scream and yell about everything," he said in a 1988 interview. "It seems to me, when somebody's hungry, you feed them. If they don't have a place to live, you find them a place to live."

The Rev. George Heartwell Jr. said York made donations to the Heartside Clinic in Grand Rapids, which provides medical assistance to homeless people.

"It was kind of one of those angels that drop into your life," Heartwell said.

"He would spend hours at a time, calling all over the United States if he thought there was a chance of something getting thrown away, to essentially salvage it for the homeless," said Dennis Sturtevant, director of the Dwelling Place, another Grand Rapids organization that received contributions from York.

Prospective jurors express horror at taped beating

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — Revulsion and anger at the videotape of police beating a prone black motorist frustrated jury selection in the assault trial of four officers.

Forty-eight jury prospects remained after two days of quizzing by Superior Court Judge Stanley Weisberg, but almost an equal number were dismissed for hardship or opinions about the beating of Rodney King.

An additional 40 potential jurors were called for today.

Los Angeles police Sgt. Stacey Koon, 41, and officers Theodore Briseno, 39, Timothy Wind, 31, and Laurence Powell, 29, are charged with the March 3, 1991, beating of King.

The beating was videotaped by a

neighborhood resident and its broadcast stirred a furor over police brutality. The officers were seen clubbing and kicking King as he lay on the ground.

Several people were excused Thursday for bias after saying they believed the officers were guilty. "I don't think anything I might not have seen would justify what I did see" on the videotape, one woman said.

"I immediately was horrified by what I saw," a man said. But Weisberg allowed the man, a scientist, to stay in the jury pool because he promised to set aside his feelings about the tape.

Only two prospects said Thursday they had not seen the videotape.

Defense attorney Mike Stone said widespread exposure to the tape is making jury selection difficult.

"I'd like to find people who haven't seen the videotape and have no feelings," Stone said. "But you'd have to go to the other side of the world for that."

Weisberg ordered jurors' names be removed from questionnaires and referred to prospects by numbers in open court. Weisberg also asked reporters to refrain from using names already in their possession.

"There is a real concern that by having expressed views before commencement of the trial, this will be the cause of other people contacting jurors," Weisberg said.

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Life in space: Sex, potatoes and clashes?

By HOYT HARWELL
Associated Press Writer

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP) — Space sex? Irish potatoes on Mars? Astronauts without The Right Stuff?

Those are among the out-of-this-world topics launched during an International Conference on Life Support and Biospherics at the University of Alabama.

Conjugal spaceflight is on the horizon as America looks to space stations on Mars or the moon — missions that could last years — in the coming century.

Regina North, a behavioral scientist at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston, says the agency is about to miss a golden opportunity to conduct its first research on sex in zero gravity.

Astronauts Mark Lee, 39, and Jan Davis, 37, who were married last year, are scheduled to be among seven people aboard an August space shuttle mission.

"We have this incredible opportunity, and there is no experiment planned," she said Wednesday. "This could be an experiment like no other life science experiment. We could monitor heart rates and determine what are the physiological problems that microgravity presents."

"NASA doesn't want to talk about (sex), but I'm thinking about that," she said. "It's a very Puritan society."

North concedes that spaceflight is so action-packed that taking time out for romance might be a problem. "They are using all their libido to do experiments. They're busy almost 24 hours a day."

The only data available on sex in space was a study of rats by Soviet cosmonauts, she said.

Although sex might not be high on NASA's list, food is. For extended missions, astronauts would grow some of their own food.

Ted W. Tibbitts of the University of Wisconsin-Madison told the two-day conference, which ended Thursday, that his research shows Irish potatoes would fare well. They grow easily in sterile environments, are nutritious and can be prepared many ways.

"I recommend their use in space, not only for food but for oxygen," Tibbitts said.

With NASA working on life-support systems for long stays on Mars and the moon, the agency might have to change its standards for astronauts, whose gung-ho attitudes — and egos — were depicted in the book and movie "The Right Stuff."

The rigors of a long stay in space can lead to physical and psychological disorders in people who lack patience, North said.

"The current shuttle astronauts are perfect," she said. "They are pilots, they are self-sufficient, they love themselves, they do their jobs. But exactly what made them good for short missions may not be good for long missions."

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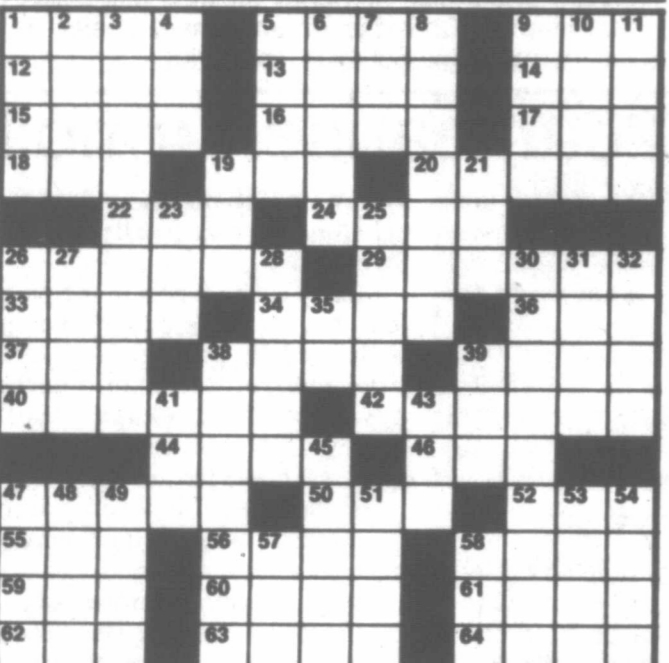
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Answer to Previous Puzzle



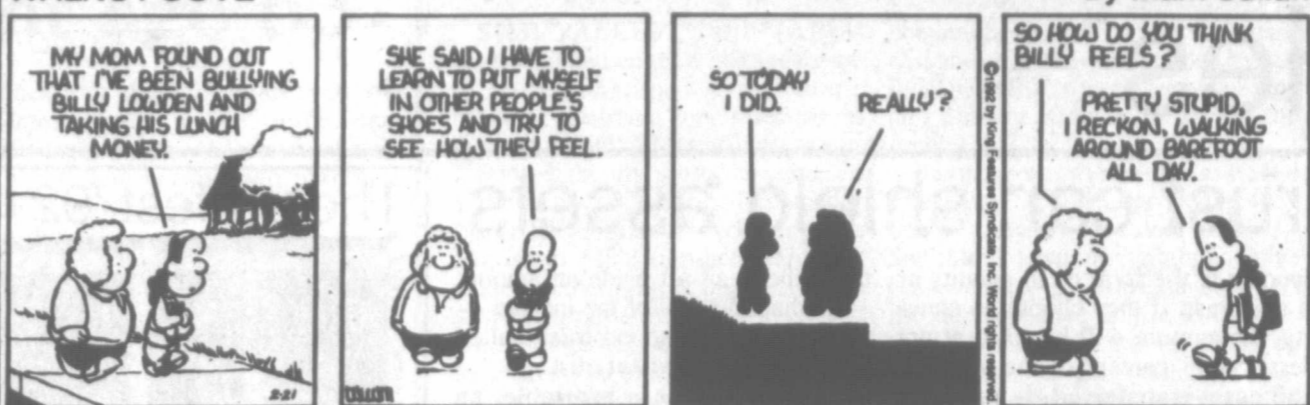
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PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be careful today that you don't become too enthralled with someone who is already spoken for. Pursuing forbidden fruit could create complications with far-reaching effects. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you put together an important business arrangement today, get all the essentials down in writing — even if it is with a friend you know very well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Individuals you consider allies might only be partially in accord with your purposes today. And, if you attempt to manipulate them, even this could erode.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Subordinates whose work you monitor will require skillful management today. If they aren't properly inspired or instructed, the assembly line could come to a halt.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Instead of doing business with a proven provider today, you might be tempted to look for a better deal with a new, untested source. There is a strong possibility you'll make a poor choice.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Make an effort today to be a bit more affectionate than usual toward your mate. If your partner has a case of the grumbles, this is the substance that sweetens the soul.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone with whom you're closely involved will expect you to do today what you previously promised. This individual is taking the commitment seriously, and it is imperative that you do the same.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) This could be a day of financial ups and downs. Your earning capacity is good, but it might not match your extravagance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you spoil youngsters in your charge today, you may be setting the tone for what they believe is standard practice. Don't be harsh, but, by the same token, don't be foolish.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Hoping to manipulate others through flattery today in order to get them to do your bidding could turn out to be a counterproductive tactic. Try sincerity instead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Under most conditions, you get pretty good mileage from the dollars you spend, but this might not be true today. Don't buy things you truly don't need or may never use.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There's a possibility you may give too much attention today to an individual you think can do you some good and hardly notice a pal who has always come through.

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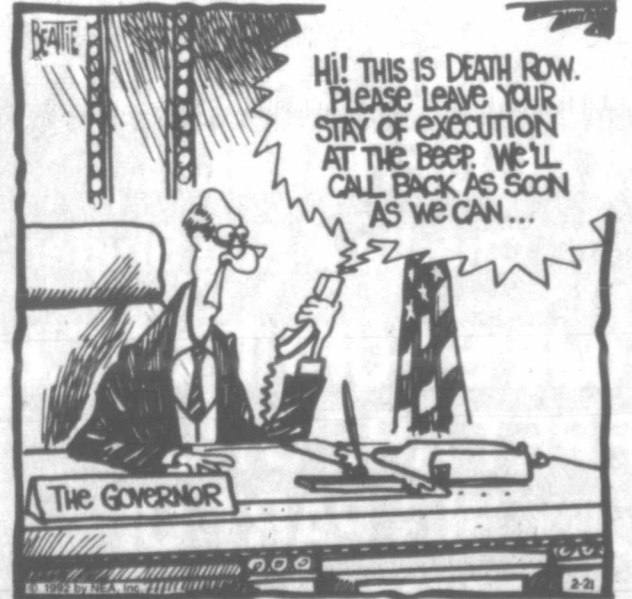
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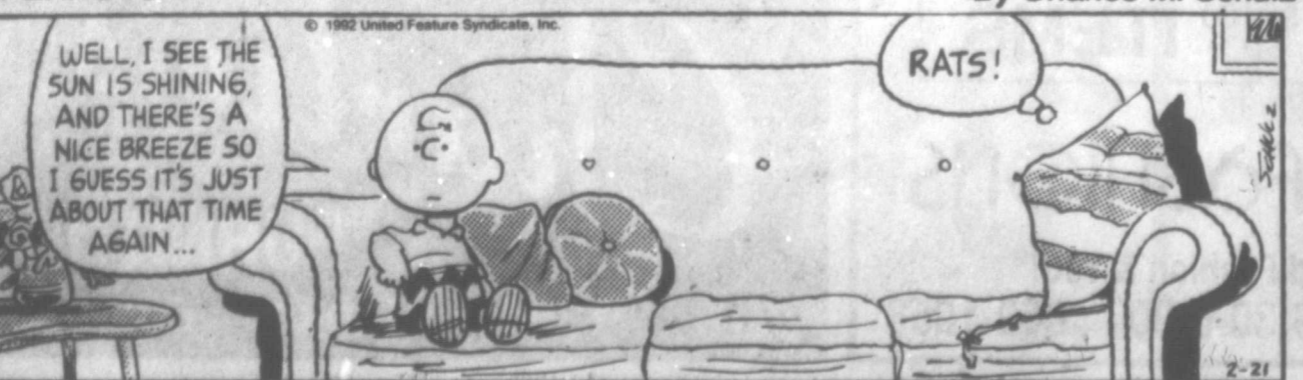
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Largest U.N. peacekeeping mission planned for Cambodia

By ANDREW SELSKY
Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Diplomats today studied a proposal to send the largest-ever U.N. peacekeeping force to Cambodia, while preparing to move ahead with plans to dispatch forces to Yugoslavia.

The two proposed forces, totaling more than 39,000 soldiers, display the new U.N. objectives to take a more aggressive role to halt conflicts. But the plans are estimated to cost more \$2.5 billion and could

seriously strain already depleted U.N. coffers.

The 15-nation Security Council was expected today to approve a 13,000-member peacekeeping force for Croatia, where about 10,000 people have died in ethnic fighting since the former republic declared independence from Yugoslavia on June 25.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering, the council president, said Thursday some of the forces would be deployed immediately to monitor a seven-week-old cease-fire

and protect the population.

For Cambodia, U.N. Boutros Boutros-Ghali on Thursday proposed sending a 26,000-member peacekeeping mission — which would be the United Nations' largest operation. A 20,000-member force operated in the Belgian Congo, now Zaire, in the early 1960s.

The Cambodian force would seek to demobilize all factions in the 13-year-old Cambodian civil war and oversee the elections, scheduled for April 1993.

The Security Council is expected

to vote on Boutros-Ghali's \$2 billion plan next week.

Also Thursday, about 700 Thai army engineers under U.N. command moved into Cambodia on Thursday to help clear mines. Soldiers from France and New Zealand also will help in the mine-clearing operations.

Cambodia's Vietnamese-backed government and the three guerrilla groups signed an U.N.-supervised peace accord in October. All sides have pressed the United Nations to send troops.

"Unless we go there in force ... the peace process which is very precarious, very fragile, may begin to disentangle," said Yasushi Akashi, the U.N. official overseeing the peace plan.

The proposal calls for a 15,900-member military peacekeeping force; more than 7,000 civilian elec-

tion monitors, and a police-monitoring group of 3,600. He said all four factions want peace, but he noted a small advance force of U.N. peacekeepers have been blocked access to some areas controlled by the rebels of the communist Khmer Rouge.

The U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees says more than 360,000 Cambodian refugees may return to their country. Boutros-Ghali said the returnees should be provided with shelter and food for 12 months and about five acres of land per family, after making sure it is clear of mines.

In Yugoslavia, nearly all parties in the conflict support U.N. peacekeepers. However, an ethnic Serb leader, Milan Babic, opposes allowing U.N. forces into the enclave of Krajina. A referendum on the U.N. plan has been delayed.

Ethnic Serbs and the Serb-led fed-

eral military have battled Croatian forces since June. Fighting has subsided since a U.N.-brokered truce on Jan. 3.

A U.N. report estimated the cost of the peacekeeping force at \$637 million for one year. Some governments are seeking ways to trim expenses, such as asking Croatia and Yugoslavia to contribute use of their hotels. At least 31 nations, including the United States, are expected to contribute to the force.

Boutros-Ghali has an emergency \$10 million fund for peacekeeping operations, but it will only cover a fraction of the costs.

A U.N. report last month said the peacekeeping account was in debt \$377 million and the general U.N. budget had a \$439 million shortfall. U.N. officials have pressed the United States and other members for back-dues and other money owed.

Report: suicide probable cause of publisher's death

LONDON (AP) — A report for the companies that insured Robert Maxwell's life for \$35 million says the British media magnate probably committed suicide, reports said today.

The Times of London and its sister newspaper The Sun said that Rich Wheeler and Co., the loss adjuster in charge of investigating Maxwell's Nov. 5 death for the insurers, made the conclusion in a confidential report.

If true, such a conclusion could set off a long legal battle over the insurance money.

John Fisher, claims underwriter for the Maxwell policy's lead syndicate, P.N. Slade and Others, has said the insurers would pay if they were satisfied Maxwell died accidentally or was murdered, but the claim would be rejected if Maxwell committed suicide or died of natural causes.

If the claim is disputed, it could go to arbitration. If that fails, the case could end up in court.

The burden of proof lies with the Maxwell companies, which took out the accidental death policy and are its beneficiaries, Fisher has said.

Fisher refused, however, to comment on today's newspapers stories, saying the report quoted by the papers remained confidential.

The head loss adjuster, Roger Rich, was unavailable for comment on today's newspaper reports, a secretary said this morning. Maxwell spokesman Bob Cole was not available, a secretary said.

Maxwell's body was found in the Atlantic off the Spanish Canary Islands, where he had been cruising in his yacht. He left behind an international media empire burdened by massive debt and surrounded by allegations of financial wrongdoing. His holdings included the New York Daily News.

The Times quoted the report dated Jan. 15 as saying the suicide scenario appeared "more compelling than any other cause" because Maxwell's fraudulent efforts to keep his ailing empire afloat were about to be disclosed.

A Spanish autopsy report Dec. 13 concluded he died from an on-deck worsening of a heart condition or an accidental fall into the sea followed

by drowning or a combination of both.

But the Times said today that the Rich Wheeler report included a second autopsy in Israel by Dr. Iain West, head of forensic medicine at Guy's Hospital, London. The examination was performed shortly before the Jewish publisher was buried in Jerusalem Nov. 10.

The Sun quoted the report as saying Maxwell is thought to have hung on to the yacht's railings before slipping quietly into the sea.

It added: "The crooked tycoon's death was caused by drowning, not a heart attack, say investigator Roger Rich and pathologist Iain West."

The Guardian newspaper of London reported last month that about half the insurance money is underwritten by Lloyd's of London and the rest is the responsibility of seven insurance companies, led by the Continental Insurance Company.

Neither the Times nor the Sun, both owned by publisher Rupert Murdoch, said how they obtained the 16-page confidential report.

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