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Israelis hit guerrilla forces in Lebanon

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli warplanes and howitzers pounded guerrilla bases in Lebanon today for a second straight day, and radio reports said the army moved tanks into the Israeli-occupied buffer zone inside southern Lebanon.

Arab guerrillas who have stepped up attacks on Israeli forces in an attempt to wreck the Middle East peace talks fought back with Katyusha rockets. One salvo slammed into a northern Israeli town before dawn, killing a 14-year-old boy and wounding five people, the Israeli army said.

The reported movement of Israeli reinforcements into the buffer zone raised the possibility that Israel might be planning ground attacks on guerrilla bases, which could strain the latest round of peace talks in Washington.

Israel radio first reported the movement of tanks without citing a source, but army radio later broadcast a similar story it attributed to "foreign sources in Lebanon." Army radio also said Israel had deployed "large numbers of troops" along the border with Lebanon.

The army spokesman's office refused to comment on the reports. But security sources in southern Lebanon said they had no reports of tank movements across the Israeli border.

On Monday, Israel moved at least 16 more howitzers into the zone accompanied by armored personnel carriers and 500 soldiers, security sources said.

At least 12 people have been killed and 30 wounded in fighting that

began Sunday when guerrillas set off a roadside bomb that killed five Israeli soldiers in the security zone. Hezbollah, the pro-Iranian fundamentalist Shiite Muslim movement, claimed responsibility for the bombing.

Today's rocket attack on northern Israel brought a strong response from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who held urgent consultations with Parliament's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee.

"Our intention is to bring about calm as much as possible," Rabin told reporters after the meeting.

He added, "But we must be ready and deployed to respond in the necessary manner if Hezbollah continues in its attempts to attack."

The escalating violence threatened to undermine the peace talks. Opposition politicians in Israel called for Rabin to withdraw his negotiators from the U.S.-sponsored talks, a step the left-center Rabin government rejected.

In Washington, President Bush said he hoped the talks would not be affected by the fighting.

"In my view, they've gone far enough that no incident would derail the talks," he said on NBC's "Today" show.

"Obviously, we would prefer peaceful solutions to all these questions," Bush said. "I just can't speculate until I know more about it."

Army officials said today's rocket attack on the northern town of Kiryat Shomney killed a boy who was sleeping on an apartment building balcony.

It's not too late



The U.S. Postal Service sells stamps out of a mobile unit Sunday in celebration of the post office's 100th anniversary in Pampa. Stamps will be available inside the post office throughout the month of October. The U.S. Postal Service sold more than 850 special stamps in 1 1/2 hours Sunday.

Lawsuit names sheriff, county

Brown files new civil action

By BETH MILLER
News Editor

Gray County Sheriff Jimmy L. Free and Gray County have been named in a racial discrimination and sexual favoritism lawsuit filed Monday in federal court by former sheriff's deputy Lynn Brown.

Brown, in 1990, filed a racial discrimination lawsuit against Gray County in which U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson ruled in favor of Brown in late September. She awarded \$200 in damages to Brown in that case, plus costs and some interest.

Free and County Judge Carl Kennedy said this morning that they had no knowledge and no comment on the newest lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in Amarillo.

In the newest lawsuit, Brown alleges his rights were violated under the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and that his First, Fifth and 14th Amendment rights under the U.S. Constitution were violated.

He also makes allegations of a conspiracy in the sheriff's office to deprive him of equal protection under the law.

Brown filed the lawsuit within 90 days of receiving a right-to-sue letter from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, dated Aug. 5. Brown had filed a complaint with the EEOC alleging racial discrimination in Brown's suspension on Jan. 27 and his termination on Feb. 3 from the sheriff's office.

Brown requests a trial by jury and seeks a judgment which would require Gray County to implement affirmative action programs. He also seeks punitive, exemplary and actual damages against Gray County and Free, as well as court costs and attorney's fees.

Brown was the first and only black deputy in the Gray County Sheriff's Office history. According to the lawsuit, when hired on Jan. 2, 1989, by Free, Brown was led to believe he would be working the criminal investigation unit. Brown's lawsuit states he was ranked second in total years in law enforcement as compared to other employees of the sheriff's office.

However, he did not become an investigator and was subjected to discrimination because of his race, the lawsuit alleges.

"Plaintiff complained to Defendant Jimmy L. Free on numerous occasions of racial comments and discriminatory practices against him. The Defendant Sheriff Free refused to discipline those employees involved and took no action to rectify the situation," the lawsuit states.

Instead, the lawsuit states, the sheriff participated in the racial discrimination by making racially derogatory remarks.

"Beginning early in his administration, Defendant Sheriff Jimmy L. Free engaged in a systematic process of sexual favoritism, which created a hostile work environment in the Gray County Sheriff's Office," the lawsuit states.

The sexual favoritism was "ongoing and of general knowledge involving several members" of the sheriff's office, according to the lawsuits.

"The environment of sexual favoritism which created a hostile work environment had a disparate impact on Plaintiff, in that Defendant Sheriff Free was unable or unwilling to halt racial discrimination because of his direct and personal involvement in this sexual favoritism," the lawsuit states.

Brown alleges that the sheriff and former Deputy Dave Keiser engaged in a conspiracy in an attempt to "cover up and conceal sexual favoritism" in the office. Another cause of action in the law-

suit is under the Whistleblower's Act. Brown states that from January 1990 through Feb. 3 of this year, he reported to several supervisory level employees at the sheriff's office the hostile work environment being created by sexual favoritism in the sheriff's office.

"This sexual favoritism included sexual relationships between members of the department, the possibility of sexual intimacies between departmental employees and inmates, unauthorized conjugal visits for inmates, and disruptive/personal relationships with persons outside the department," the lawsuit states.

In December 1991, Brown's lawsuit states he was contacted privately by an individual claiming to be the victim of a romantic relationship with a supervisory level member of the sheriff's office. And within a month of the contact, the lawsuit states, Brown was suspended and then fired "for a minor infraction of departmental policy."

The lawsuit alleges Brown was required to perform additional work which would not have been required had the "sexual favoritism not existed."

Free established and continued a policy which prohibited or excluded minorities from obtaining administrative positions in the sheriff's office, the lawsuit alleges. The lawsuit also alleges that the policy manual of the sheriff's office was "completely ignored" regarding the procedures for promotions.

Brown contends that Free "supported, maintained, and encouraged," the telling of racial and sexual jokes in the presence of minorities and women and that racial and sexual cartoons were distributed "as a matter of course."

Brown was suspended with pay on Jan. 27 for an alleged "minor violation of departmental policy," which the lawsuit alleges was "merely a pretext to retaliate against Plaintiff for reporting racial discrimination and sexual favoritism." The lawsuit states that the policy manual, through a supplemental memo, provides that the only consequence of the minor violation would be "loss of take home vehicle."

At the time of the suspension and firing, Free told the news media that one of the reasons Brown was fired was for violating the policy on notifying the dispatcher when he was in his county car while off duty.

The former deputy also alleges he was terminated, in part, for filing the first racial discrimination lawsuit against Gray County in 1990.

Brown alleges he was injured by Free and Gray County's conduct by "loss of wages, pain, suffering, humiliation caused by illegal treatment, destruction of career, and other consequential damages, including, but not limited to, financial embarrassment, loss of credit, and denial of experience and training flowing from Defendants' illegal actions."

The lawsuit also alleges, "The lack of training, instruction, management, or supervision of Gray County employees, by Defendant Jimmy L. Free encouraged a continuation of racial discrimination in that Plaintiff was subjected to additional racial slurs, insults, a hostile work environment and eventually terminated."

Brown states in the lawsuit that Free instructed his employees to "adopt a conspiracy of silence" concerning Brown and "indicating that the Plaintiff should be isolated because of his race."

The lawsuit states that Free, Chief Deputy Terry Cox and Lt. Bill Brainard conspired from Jan. 22 through Feb. 3 to deprive Brown of his due process and equal protection provided by the departmental policy manual and the U.S. Constitution.

Gross domestic product shows improvement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Economic growth picked up to an annual rate of 2.7 percent in the quarter ended Sept. 30, the government said today in the last major economic report before Election Day.

In a surprise to most private forecasters, the Commerce Department said growth nearly doubled the lackluster 1.5 percent rate in the April-June quarter.

In advance, analysts were expecting little change from the second quarter rate. Instead, the rate nearly matched the 2.9 percent advance recorded in the first three months of the year.

The latest quarter marked the fourth best showing of George Bush's presidency and was likely to give the Republican candidate a boost going into the final week of the campaign.

Bush, campaigning today in Des Moines, Iowa, hailed the latest growth figures and said, "The Democrats keep telling us that everything is going to hell, but they are wrong."

Economist Bruce Steinberg of Merrill Lynch in New York said the third quarter GDP figure probably overstates the health of an economy that saw employment decline and industrial production stagnate during the period.

"It just seems that the GDP number is out of sync with reality. ... This cannot be taken as a sign that the economy is all of a sudden snapping out of the doldrums," he said.

In another report today, The Conference Board, a private business organization in New York, said American consumers' confidence in the economy declined in October for the fourth consecutive month to the lowest level in eight months.

Also, the Labor Department said American workers' wages, salaries and benefits rose 3.5 percent in the year ended Sept. 30, the smallest increase in five years.

Later this week, the Commerce Department will publish figures on

personal income, durable goods sales and new home sales in September. But today's report, because it deals with the economy as a whole, amounts to the last economic report card of the Bush administration.

With the latest growth, the Commerce Department said the gross domestic product — the sum of all goods and services produced in the United States — surpassed the high point reached before the recession began in July 1990. To economists, that marks the end of the recovery and the beginning of a new expansion.

The GDP totaled an inflation-adjusted annual rate of \$4.92 trillion in the July-September quarter, up from \$4.89 trillion in the second quarter and ahead of the \$4.9 trillion of the second quarter of 1990.

The turnaround from the second quarter was attributed largely to a rebound in consumer spending at a 3.4 percent annual rate. It had surged 5.1 percent in the first quar-

ter but then edged down 0.1 percent in the second.

Consumer spending was up the strongest, 8.6 percent, for long-lasting durable goods such as appliances and furniture. It rose 3.1 percent for services and 1.7 percent for non-durable goods.

Government spending also boosted the GDP. It was up at 2 percent rate, the strongest in 21 months. Military spending increased at a 6.9 percent rate, the first rise after five quarters of decline.

Housing construction rose at a slight 0.4 percent annual rate. Business investment was up at a 0.3 percent rate. An 8.5 percent increase in spending on capital goods such as machinery and computers offset a 17.7 percent drop in spending on new buildings.

Additions to inventories also contributed to growth in the third quarter. However, the nation's trade balance deteriorated.

Administration late with acid rain measures

WASHINGTON (AP) — Five months late, the Environmental Protection Agency issued rules designed to reduce acid rain by requiring utilities to nearly halve the sulfur dioxide released by coal-burning power plants.

In a second step against acid rain, the EPA proposed regulations today to cut up to 2 million tons of nitrogen oxide emissions from the same power plants, a reduction that also will reduce urban smog.

The release of long-overdue Clean Air Act rules is expected to last all week in a campaign that administration sources say is orchestrated by White House Chief of Staff James A. Baker III to spruce up President Bush's environmental record before next week's election. Sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide

are the primary sources of acid rain, which has caused lakes and streams in Northeastern and mid-Atlantic states to become unusually acidic, killing plants and fish. Acid rain also has been linked to stunted trees, poor visibility and unhealthy air.

The two announcements plus the anticipated ones will make this a banner week for the clean air law enacted by Congress in 1990, said EPA Administrator William Reilly.

The nitrogen oxide regulation represents the first time that the EPA has moved to control the chemical pollutant from industrial sources. Previously efforts to curb the pollutant had been confined to emission controls on motor vehicles.

The clean air rules have been held up, some up to a year past their due dates, by Vice President Dan

Quayle's competitiveness council because of objections by business.

When Baker's plans leaked last week, Blakeman Early of the Sierra Club said the rules should have been issued long ago and "we have literally dozens of other (clean air) regulations which continue to languish."

Reilly sidestepped repeated questions about the political timing of the EPA announcements, advising reporters "to infer whatever you wish."

Under the rules announced Monday, utilities must nearly halve sulfur dioxide emissions from 110 coal-burning power plants in 21 states, primarily in the Midwest and the East. Sulfur emissions would be reduced from about 17 million tons today to no more than 8.9 million tons by the year 2010.

Acid rain, which has been a prob-

lem largely in the Northeast and mid-Atlantic region, has been attributed largely to pollution from coal-burning power plants that stretch eastward from Illinois.

EPA officials said the reductions in sulfur and nitrogen oxide emissions will eventually eliminate damaging levels of acidity now found in affected lakes and streams as well as improve visibility as much as 30 percent in some regions.

EPA officials said three-fourths of the utilities are expected to reduce sulfur dioxide by switching from high-sulfur coal to another fuel. An additional 15 percent plan to use equipment called "scrubbers," and others may shift production to cleaner plants, adopt conservation measures or buy "pollution allowances" under the clean air law.

Brand is new Carson County sheriff

By ANGELA LEGGETT
Staff Writer

PANHANDLE — Carson County Commissioners Court approved the appointment of Loren Brand as sheriff of Carson County during a regular meeting Monday.

"The court felt we had a competent and experienced individual in our present department that could fill the position," said Judge Jay Roselius.

Brand was sworn in at 1:30 p.m. Monday, he said. He will serve for two years until the next general election, said Roselius. Brand replaces Terry Timmons, who resigned effective Friday.

Brand, 39, has worked in law

enforcement for nearly 20 years. He served as chief of police in Lemmon, S.D., and came to the Panhandle in 1982. He has worked for Borger Police Department, Panhandle Police Department and area law firms as an investigator before he joined the Carson County Sheriff's Office earlier this year.

As sheriff, Brand's annual salary will be \$26,795.

"We like to look inside our own organization before we go outside when hiring," said Roselius.

In other business, the Commissioners Court discussed road easements with Dwight Brandt, an Amarillo engineer. The court approved and acknowledged the

boring of two county roads in Precinct 3 in connection with construction of a water line by the city of Amarillo.

The court discussed and approved contributing \$300 to the S.P.E.C. (Sparsely Populated Entities Coalition). S.P.E.C. has worked for more than 2 1/2 years to secure relief from federally mandated landfill rules and some variances have been granted. This year additional effort will be needed to encourage rules to be implemented in order to exempt West Texas and provide sensible working rules.

County Auditor Agnes Bell reviewed the annual report with the Commissioners Court for fiscal year 1991-92.

VOTE IN 7 DAYS

I'LL GLADLY PAY YOU ON ELECTION DAY FOR A HAMBURGER TODAY!

I HOPE YOU ARE BETTER AT REMEMBERING TO VOTE THAN YOU ARE AT DRIVING YOUR CARS!

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

BOWMAN, Michael A. — 2 p.m., Fellowship Baptist Church, Perryton.
KLOTZ, Dorothy Mae Weber — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.
NEWSOM, Winnifred Emily — 2 p.m., Eleventh Street Baptist Church, Shamrock.

Obituaries

MICHAEL A. BOWMAN
 PERRYTON — Michael A. Bowman, 27, relative of Pampa residents, died Sunday, Oct. 25, 1992. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Fellowship Baptist Church with the Rev. Tony Colburn, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Ochiltree Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bowman, born in Modesto, Calif., moved to Perryton four months ago from Liberal, Kan. He married Anna Linaweaver on June 12, 1992, at Liberal.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Brandon Bowman and Kody Bowman, both of Pampa; a stepdaughter, Krystal Pricce of Perryton; three stepsons, Justin Pricce, Burrell Cooley and Casey Cooley, all of Perryton; his father, Malcolm Pickett of Pampa; his mother, Kathleen Bardsley of Copperopolis, Calif.; a sister, Michelle Bowman of California; a brother, Paul Behling of California; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Val G. Rigley of Pampa.

MILDRED H. GRIDER
 Mildred H. Grider, 75, died Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1992. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Grider was born Oct. 18, 1917, in Lutie, Mo. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1926, moving here from Missouri. She married R.C. Grider in Pampa on Nov. 25, 1936. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and a former member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter 65 of Pampa.

Survivors include her husband, R.C. Grider of the home; a son, Robert C. Grider III of Jackson, Miss.; a daughter, Dr. Sylvia Ann Grider of College Station; two grandchildren; and two sisters, Maxine Milliron of Pampa and Betty Jo Simmons of Lafayette, La.

DOROTHY MAE WEBER KLOTZ
 AMARILLO — Dorothy Mae Weber Klotz, 82, died Sunday, Oct. 25, 1992. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. today at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Phu Phan, associate pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, officiating. Services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Joe Bixenman, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Klotz was born Nov. 27, 1909, in Kansas. She moved to Pampa in 1940 from Borger. She lived in Pampa until three years ago when she moved to Amarillo. She married William Klotz; he preceded her in death in 1946. She worked for Richards Drug Store in Pampa for more than 20 years. She was a member of the Catholic Auxiliary and attended St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

Survivors include a son, Richard Klotz of Amarillo; a daughter, Joann Sparks of Dallas; four grandchildren, Nicole Michelle Klotz, Renay Klotz, and Chad Michael Klotz, all of Amarillo, and Tom Henry of Diamond Bar, Calif.; one great-grandchild, Kim Henry of Amarillo; and a brother and sister-in-law, Albert and Jo Weber of San Juan.

WINNIFRED EMILY NEWSOM
 SHAMROCK — Winnifred Emily Newsom, 79, died Saturday, Oct. 24, 1992. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Eleventh Street Baptist Church with the Rev. John Denton, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Lela Cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Newsom was born Sept. 5, 1913, in Waurika, Okla. She married Roy Lee Newsom in 1932 in Henrietta; he preceded her in death in June 1992. They moved to Wheeler County in 1953 from Sweetwater, Okla. She was a waitress in Shamrock for many years and was a Baptist.

Survivors include a son, Foy Lee Newsom of Lemoore, Calif.; three daughters, Mary Pearl Stowe, Barbara Weldon and Darlene Kirkland, all of Shamrock; a sister, Tiny May Cochran of Tahlequah, Okla.; two brothers, Ovead Tracy of Muskogee, Okla., and Lelon Tracy of California; 15 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Judy Milner, in 1989.

LEOPOLDO S. RAMIREZ
 Leopoldo S. Ramirez, 82, died Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1992. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Ramirez was born Nov. 15, 1909. He has been a resident of Pampa for 57 years, moving here from Amarillo. He married Santos Hernandez on Sept. 21, 1935, in Amarillo; she preceded him in death on March 22, 1989. He was a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. He worked for the Santa Fe Railroad for 41 years, retiring in 1974.

Survivors include two sons, Raul Ramirez of Denver, Colo., and Chico Ramirez of Pampa; three daughters, Mary L. Olivarez of Perryton and Concha Diaz and Elvira Guerra, both of Pampa; a brother, Antonio S. Ramirez of Pampa; a sister, Maria Elena Ramirez of Mexico; 14 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Accidents

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

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions
 Angela Kay Brown, Borger
 Ila Joan Holmes, Pampa
 Billy Thomas Jones, Pampa
 Isaac Willard Tinney, Pampa
 Fred Sears Genett (rehabilitation), Pampa

Dismissals
 Floyd Clifton Adams, Pampa
 Fred Sears Genett, Pampa
 Brandi Renee Martinez and baby girl, Pampa
 Jack Williams, Pampa
 Alva Lee Reams (extended care unit), Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
 No admissions or dismissals were reported.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa:	Cabot Oil & Gas	16 5/8	dn 1/8
Wheat	Chevron	73 3/8	up 1/4
Milo	Coca-Cola	40 7/8	up 1/8
Corn	Enron	49 1/2	up 1/2
	Halliburton	32 1/4	up 1/8
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:	Health Trust Inc.	15 3/8	up 1/8
Ky. Cent. Life	Ingersoll Rand	30 7/8	NC
Serico	KNE	27	dn 1/8
Occidental	Kerr McGee	41 3/8	dn 1/8
	Limited	24 7/8	dn 1/4
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:	Mapco	55 7/8	dn 1/8
Magellan	Maxus	7 1/4	dn 1/8
Puritan	McDonald's	45	up 5/8
	Mobil	64	up 1/4
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:	New Atmos	22 3/8	NC
Amoco	Parker & Parsley	14 5/8	dn 1/8
Arco	Penney's	76 1/2	dn 1/8
Cabot	Phillips	25 1/2	dn 1/8
	SLB	66 1/2	up 1/8
	SPS	30 3/8	NC
	Tenneco	36 1/2	dn 1/8
	Texaco	61 7/8	up 1/4
	Wal-Mart	61 5/8	up 1/8
	New York Gold	338.10	
	Silver	3.72	
	West Texas Crude	21.09	

Police report

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

MONDAY, Oct. 26
 Bedford Police Department issued a wanted outside agency report.

Tena Connell, 2600 Seminole, reported criminal mischief.
 Frank's Food, 300 E. Brown, reported theft by check.

Jim Jennings, 1840 Grape, reported a theft.
 W.P. Whitsett, 1120 Sierra, reported a theft in the 100 block of South Sumner.
 Norma Miller, 211 N. Ward, reported a theft of over \$20/under \$200.

TODAY, Oct. 27
 Tommy Bowers, 408 Kingsmill, reported criminal mischief in the 2600 block of Chestnut.

Arrests
MONDAY, Oct. 26
 Lloyd Franklin Mays, 52, 929 Bernard, was arrested in the 400 block of North Wells on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was booked directly into Gray County Jail.

Pauline O. Murphy, 51, Bedford, was arrested in the 2500 block of Evergreen on a charge of interfering with child custody. She was booked directly into Gray County Jail.

Lisa Ann Gilbreath, 21, Panhandle, was arrested on a warrant. She paid a fine and was released.

Danny Ray Boyd, 44, 715 S. Barnes, was arrested in the 1000 block of Varon on a charge of public intoxication.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Oct. 26
 A juvenile in Lefors reported an injury to a child.

Arrests
MONDAY, Oct. 26
 Robbyn Leann Griffin, 18, McLean, was arrested on a charge of theft of more than \$20, but less than \$200. She was released on bond.

Salvador Ramos Castro, 28, Lubbock, was arrested on three warrants.

Fires

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

TODAY, Oct. 27
 4:51 a.m. — Two units and four firefighters responded to reports of a loud noise in the 500 block of Price Road. It was found to be a routine procedure performed by a local business.

Correction

The Monday article on the anniversary celebration at the post office gave an incorrect first name for Faytite Bell Copeland Barton of McLean, who was one of the five known oldest living residents born in Gray County honored at Sunday's dedication of a historical marker for the post office.

Gray County to receive emergency aid

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A total of \$9,066,899 has been earmarked to be spent in 115 Texas counties to help provide emergency food and shelter, U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm said. The money is available to local sponsoring organizations through the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program, which is overseen by the Federal

Emergency Management Agency. Local sponsors, including both public and private agencies, must now apply for the funding. The amount of \$10,461 has been set aside and earmarked for Gray County. "This program has five basic operating principles: fast response, allocations to the neediest area, public-

private cooperation, local decision making and minimum, but accountable reporting," the senator said. The board is chaired by a FEMA representative and made up of representatives from the American Red Cross, Catholic Charities USA, Council of Jewish Federations, National Council of Churches, Salvation Army and United Way.

Groundwater conservation district gets loan

AUSTIN — The Texas Water Development Board on Monday approved a \$500,000 loan to Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District No. 3. The loan will be funded through the Agricultural Water Conservation

Bond Program. The district will use loan proceeds to make low-interest loans to individual farmers and ranchers in the district's service area to purchase and install more efficient water conservation equipment. Panhandle Groundwater Conserv-

ation District No. 3's jurisdictional area covers more than 3,672 square miles in northwest Texas, and includes Carson, Gray, and Donley counties, and parts of Hutchinson, Roberts, Potter, and Armstrong counties.

A matter of pride



(Staff photo by Angela Leggett)

From left, Charles Buzzard, a self-employed Pampa resident; Claudie Phillips, Pampa fire chief; Glen Hackler, Pampa city manager — all Texas Tech graduates — and Jim Fleming, custodial supervisor for City Hall, next to flag pole, hang the Texas Tech flag in front of City Hall Monday morning. The Texas Tech alumni group bid the largest amount at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Country Fair and won the right to fly their alumni flag for a week. They chose the week Texas Tech is playing University of Texas on the gridiron.

GM likely to speed up restructuring

DETROIT (AP) — With the abrupt departure of Robert C. Stempel, General Motors' next chairman will have a mandate to speed up the effort to cut costs, shed jobs and get the world's biggest industrial corporation out of the red.

Stempel, 59, resigned Monday as GM chairman and chief executive amid wide speculation he would be forced out after presiding over two years of losses.

The board viewed GM as moving too slowly to stop a bloodletting of \$7 billion in North American automotive manufacturing in 1991 and as much as \$4 billion this year.

GM's board is expected to name the head of its executive committee, John G. Smale, as interim chairman next Monday.

Smale's appointment, expected to last at least one year, puts him on a short list of potential replacements for Stempel. In addition to Smale, who is the retired chairman of Procter & Gamble Co., possible candidates include GM chief financial officer William E. Hoglund and John F. Smith Jr., GM president.

There is concern that an outsider with no experience in the auto industry, such as Smale, would have difficulty leading the nation's No. 1 automaker.

But the prospective change was viewed positively on Wall Street, which has echoed the board's unhappiness with the pace of efforts to stem GM's losses.

GM rose 62 1/2 cents a share to \$34.12 1/2 and was the active issue Monday on the New York Stock Exchange. GM stock has gained nearly \$5 in the last week.

"We assume the new CEO will come in with a mandate to make dramatic changes that will boost GM's earnings power," said Philip Fricke, an auto analyst for Prudential Securities.

John Casasa, an analyst at Wertheim Schroder & Co., said he believes GM stock could surpass \$40 a share in coming weeks because "expectations will rise rapidly about the pace of restructuring."

Stempel announced nearly a year ago that GM would close 21 plants and cut 74,000 jobs by 1995, but seven of the plants have yet to be identified. That has reinforced the impression of GM as a slow, overly cautious bureaucracy.

Stempel's departure reportedly is the first step in a larger overhaul. The Washington Post, citing unidentified sources, said today that six of GM's 51 senior executives — all Stempel loyalists — will be asked to

resign. Other executives may leave voluntarily.

By forcing Stempel out, the company is sending a message to the United Auto Workers that it will take drastic steps to turn around its fortunes, Casasa said. The UAW staged two strikes at GM parts plants in August and September.

Still, Stempel's departure probably won't change company-labor relations since Smith was the one who developed a working relationship with top union officials after being elevated to the presidency in a shakeup in April.

"We hope the GM board of directors will now provide the leadership necessary to support the fully focused efforts of Jack Smith, the UAW and its GM represented members and others to solve the problems facing the corporation," the UAW said in a statement.

However, the UAW criticized the board's "tactics of management by rumor, newsleak and innuendo" in getting rid of Stempel. For several weeks, news reports quoting unidentified GM board sources said Stempel would be asked to resign.

Speculation on Smale running the company, even in the interim, has raised concern among industry insiders.

City briefs

ALLSTATE INSURANCE Co. Clois Robinson, 665-4410. Adv.

FOR YOUR Furniture Upholstering fabrics - custom rubber, call Bob Jewell, 669-9221. Adv.

AUSTIN BOOSTER Club Chili Supper and Carnival, Thursday, October 29, 5-8. Tickets \$3. Adv.

\$50 REWARD for identity of person or persons who removed "Uncle Sam" flag holder from 2244 Christine on Friday evening, October 23. 665-2223. Adv.

NIGHT LITES Supper Club, lunch served Monday-Friday 11-2. 665-6482, 618 W. Foster. Adv.

LOST: TAN leather attache' case, opens from top. Act I letters and photos. 669-9483, 665-3710. Adv.

MARY KAY Cosmetics, Deb Stapleton consultant. Facials, supplies, deliveries. 665-2095. Adv.

MARLON SPARKS will sing and preach at Faith Christian Center this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Adv.

BROGAN'S BOOZERY. All major brands of beer \$13.90 case. 1001 E. Frederic, 665-1208. Adv.

BARBARA HICKS, 615 W. Foster has a special on Wednesday cut and style for \$12. 665-4950 for early or late appointments or just walk in. Adv.

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the upper 40s and southerly winds 5 to 15 mph, switching to the north toward sunrise. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a slight chance of showers, a high around 70 degrees and northeasterly to easterly winds 10 to 15 mph. Monday's high was 59 degrees; the overnight low was 39 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a slight chance of showers. Highs from the lower 60s north to around 70 south. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows from near 40 to the mid-40s. Thursday through Saturday, partly to mostly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Lows in the low to mid-40s. Highs in the lower to mid-60s. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows upper 40s to around 50. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Highs from the upper 70s to around 80. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy. Low in the mid-40s. Thursday through Saturday, partly to mostly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s. Permian Basin: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low in the lower 50s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. High in the lower 80s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy. Low in the lower

50s. Thursday through Saturday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Lows upper 40s to mid-50s. Highs in the 70s.

South Texas — Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas: Today, mostly sunny. Highs in the low to mid-80s. Tonight, fair skies. Lows from near 50 Hill Country to the 50s south central. Wednesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid-80s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s to near 60. Highs in the 80s. Friday, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s. Highs in the 70s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s inland, 70s coast. Highs in the 80s. Friday and Saturday, mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s inland, 70s coast. Highs in the 80s. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, fair skies. Lows from the lower 70s at the coast to the 60s inland. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs from the 80s east to the low 90s west. Thursday, partly cloudy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s inland, 70s coast. Highs in the 80s. Texas

cloudy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 80s. North Texas — Tonight, fair and cool. Lows 47 to 55. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 77 to 85. Wednesday night, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows 50 to 56. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms south. Highs in the 70s. Friday through Saturday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a chance of rain or thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s to lower 50s. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s.

BORDER STATES
 Arkansas — Tonight: Fair and cool. Lows in the lower 40s north to mid-50s south. Wednesday: Partly cloudy and mild. Highs in the upper 60s to mid 70s. Wednesday night: Partly cloudy and cool. Lows in the mid-40s to lower 50s. Thursday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a chance of rain. Lows in the mid-40s to lower 50s. Highs in the lower 60s to lower 70s. Friday, partly cloudy and cool. Lows in the upper 30s to near 50. Highs in the 60s. Saturday, increasing cloudiness with a chance of thundershowers. Lows in the upper 30s to upper 40s. Highs in the 60s and lower 70s.

Oklahoma — Tonight, becoming partly cloudy west, fair skies east. Lows in mid-40s to near 50. Wednesday, becoming mostly cloudy central and west with a chance of showers. Partly cloudy southeast. Turning cooler northwest. Highs in lower 60s northwest to the mid-70s Red River Valley.

Regulators hotly deny hiding a banking crisis

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Top federal banking regulators hotly deny they are hiding evidence of a banking crisis until after the election.

To prove it, they predicted bank failures will set a record in 1993. Andrew C. Hove Jr., acting chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., said it was "simply not the case" that regulators are deliberately holding back bank closings before Election Day next Tuesday.

Failures are down this year and will rise next year, but the FDIC can handle them, Hove told the Senate Banking Committee on Monday.

Banks with \$37 billion in assets will fail this year, down sharply from a record \$63 billion last year, he said. But that should rise to a record \$76 billion next year, he added.

The wide gap between the interest rates on deposits and on loans produced record bank profits of \$15.7 billion during the first half of this year. These profits have postponed or averted many failures that the FDIC had predicted for this year, Hove said.

New regulations taking effect Dec. 19 will not increase failures significantly although they may hasten the closing dates for some banks, he said.

Hove and the other two regulators appearing before the panel — Federal Reserve Board member John P. LaWare and acting Comptroller of the Currency Stephen R. Steinbrink

— all said a taxpayer bailout of the FDIC is unlikely.

Hove said the agency already has set aside \$16 billion to handle future failures and expects to collect \$6 billion a year in deposit insurance premiums. In addition, the FDIC can tap a \$30 billion line of credit with the Treasury, which he said could be repaid within the legal deadline of 15 years.

The Banking Committee chairman, Sen. Donald W. Riegle Jr., D-Mich., was the only member to attend the session, called just eight days before the election. He said he scheduled it because of the sharp disagreement among reputable observers of the banking system.

"Some say the industry is on the brink of healing itself. Some say it's on the brink of a major crisis," he said.

But the ranking Republican on the panel, Sen. Jake Garn of Utah, and Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady issued statements accusing Riegle of politicizing the issue.

"Perhaps the senator finds it politically opportune to jump on the bandwagon of the fearmongers and doomsayers," Brady said.

Garn said, "It is a mistake to frighten the public about the condition of the banking system for political advantage."

However, private specialists who testified after the regulators said Riegle deserves credit for airing bank problems. Before the last presidential election in 1988, politicians tried to hide the growing savings and loan crisis.

R. Dan Brumbaugh Jr., a San

Francisco economist, said data showing that recently failed banks had spent a much longer time on the FDIC's problem list than failed banks a decade ago may indicate that regulators are delaying the closure of insolvent institutions.

"Denial, understatement and other forms of forbearance pervade the official handling of the problem," he said.

Edward J. Kane, a Boston College finance professor, said lax accounting standards, which he compared to "the rigged scales dishonest butchers use to overcharge their clients," and currently favorable interest rate conditions are masking serious problems in many banks.

"The economic condition of crippled banks today parallels that of an AIDS victim who has been lucky enough to get over a bout of pneumonia. Although each crippled bank has received a welcome gift of time, its condition remains terminal," he said.

The regulators, despite their reassurances, acknowledged the potential for new threats to the banking system now that commercial real estate problems appear to be leveling off. Hove and Steinbrink said a sudden increase in interest rates could hurt banks heavily invested in fixed-rate Treasury securities.

LaWare said he worried about banks with too many home equity loans in regions where housing prices are declining. He also said some banks seem to be in a "feeding frenzy" to capture consumer business and may end up lending too heavily in that area.

Canadians vote down constitutional reform

TORONTO (AP) — Constitutional reform was a dead issue today after Canadians overwhelmingly rejected a reform package aimed at cooling Quebec's secessionist passions and giving the country's provinces and natives wider powers.

The defeat in Monday's nationwide referendum — the overall vote was 54.4 percent against and 42.4 percent in favor — will shelve efforts to change the system for the immediate future.

It could, however, revive separatist aspirations in French-speaking Quebec, the country's second most populous province after Ontario.

Political leaders immediately turned their attention to other pressing issues, especially Canada's lackluster economy.

"The Charlottetown agreement is history," Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said early today, referring to the capital of Prince Edward Island where the package of reforms was forged on Aug. 28.

"The principal and overriding complex task and obligation before us is to foster strong and durable economic renewal and to maintain a high Canadian standard of living in a relentlessly competitive international climate."

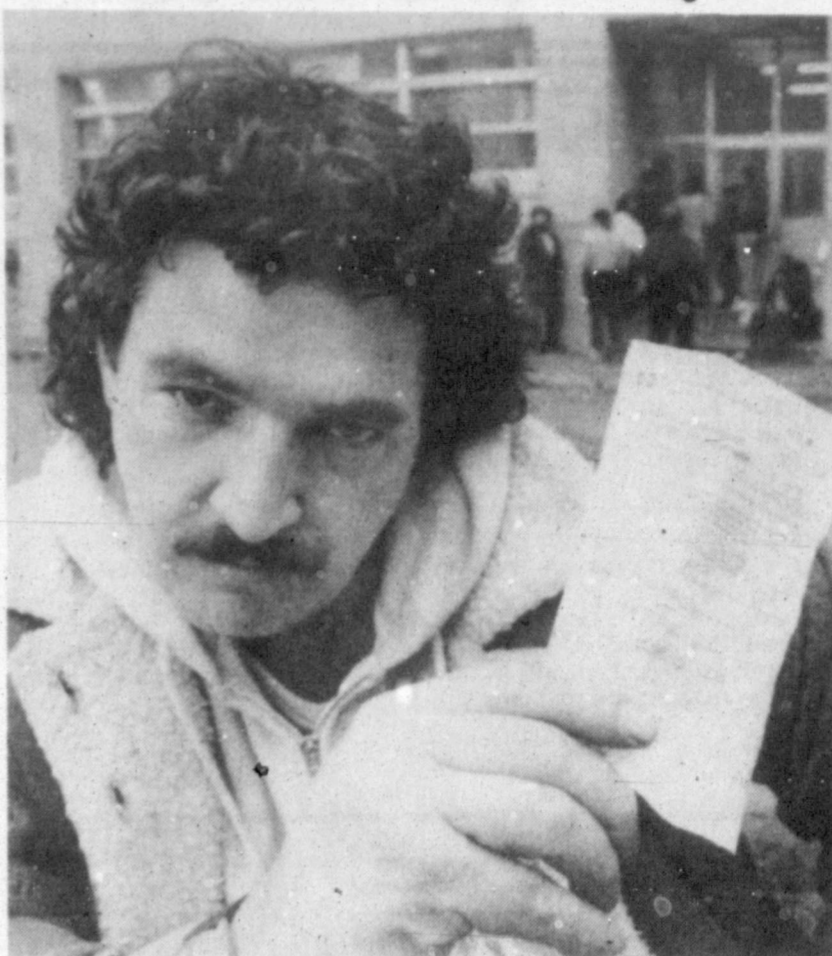
The reforms were voted down in six provinces and one territory, approved only by Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Northwest Territories and Ontario, where it passed by just 49.8 percent to 49.6 percent.

Quebec, home to 6.9 million of Canada's 27 million inhabitants, roundly defeated the package by a 55.4 percent to 42.4 percent margin. British Columbia's voters rejected it by an even wider margin — 67.9 percent to 31.7 percent, with the remaining 0.4 percent of the ballots ruled invalid.

Nationally, voter turnout was about 72 percent.

Negotiations to reform the constitution were originally undertaken to meet Quebec's demands for special status to protect its language and culture. Over time, however, other provinces and the natives began pushing their own concerns.

A major issue in the west was replacing the present appointed Senate with an elected body including an equal number of senators from each province. That would give provinces with small populations a better balance of power with the Parliament's lower



(AP Photo) Brent Carbonell, a resident of the Brewer Mission, a hotel for homeless men, shows his innumeration receipt Monday in Montreal as he confirms his vote in Canada's constitutional referendum.

house, which is controlled by Ontario and Quebec.

The reform package would have recognized Quebec as a "distinct society" and guaranteed it 25 percent of the seats in the lower house.

It also would guarantee the present practice filling at least three of the nine seats on the Supreme Court with Quebec judges.

In addition, the agreement would have given the provinces additional jurisdiction and recognized the inherent right of natives to self-government.

Nick auf der Maur, a Montreal city councilor, called rejection of the complicated reform package inevitable.

"We've had a populist revolt," he said. "Usually a populist revolt is in favor of change. Here, we've had a populist revolt in favor of the status quo. That's typically Canadian."

In Quebec, the agreement's defeat was a shot in the arm for the separatist movement. "This is another victory on the road to sovereignty," said Mireille Lachance, an organizer for the separatist Parti Quebecois.

Pre-referendum polls had pre-

dicted the defeat, and many people considered the vote a rebuke to Mulroney, the most unpopular Canadian prime minister since pollsters have been taking the pulse of the nation.

Hugh Segal, the prime minister's chief of staff, nevertheless said there was no doubt Mulroney would lead the Conservatives into the next national election, which he must call by November 1993.

The biggest losers in the referendum were Canada's Indians and Eskimos, who had won a hard-fought battle for recognition of their right to self-government.

"You've kept apartheid alive in Canada," said Ron George, head of the Native Council of Canada, which represents Indians living off-reserve. "Congratulations. I hope you feel good about that."

Ovide Mercredi, national chief of the Assembly of First Nations, representing on-reserve Indians, also was bitter.

"Do we wait for another 125 years?" asked Mercredi. "We have been rejected by Canadians and I am very disappointed. It puts us on the outside looking in, and frankly, we're tired of it."

Bush administration officials won't testify on aid to Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former and current Bush administration officials say they won't be able to testify before Congress on a politically sensitive issue: exports of advanced U.S. technology to Iraq prior to the Gulf War.

President Bush's national security adviser, Brent Scowcroft, and former Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher have declined invitations from the Senate Banking Committee to appear as witnesses at a hearing today.

"As a matter of longstanding precedent, the national security adviser does not testify on (Capitol Hill)," Scowcroft spokesman Walter Kansteiner said Monday in a telephone interview.

He said Scowcroft cannot appear because he is a personal adviser to Bush. The administration invoked this executive privilege argument earlier this year when it turned down similar requests from the House Banking and Judiciary committees for Scowcroft to testify.

Scowcroft, however, submitted an Op-Ed piece on the subject to The Washington Post earlier this month. His article, published Oct. 10, was titled "We Didn't 'Coddle' Saddam."

Mosbacher, now a top fund-raiser at the Republican National Committee, was unable to testify because the banking panel didn't give him adequate notice and he has "previous commitments," said Diane Terpeluk, Mosbacher's deputy at the RNC. Senate Banking

Committee Chairman Donald Riegle, D-Mich., sent Mosbacher and Scowcroft letters last Wednesday.

Mosbacher also had declined to appear before the House Banking and Judiciary committees.

The House panels were examining U.S. aid to Saddam Hussein's regime before the Gulf War, which included \$1.5 billion in technology with potential military uses from 1985 until Iraq invaded Kuwait in August 1990. The Commerce Department gave U.S. companies licenses for the exports.

Before they were submitted to Congress, documents pertaining to the licenses were improperly altered by Commerce Department employees to disguise their military potential, the department's inspector general found.

Last week, Bush said he may have "overstated it" when he asserted in his final debate with presidential challengers that no U.S. technology was used in Iraq's nuclear weapons program.

Bush said in the debate that "there hasn't been one single scintilla of evidence that there's any U.S. technology involved in it." But the former head of the United Nations nuclear inspections team in Iraq, David Kay, disputed that statement.

ABC News and CBS News reported Monday night the Commerce Department approved an export license for a computer used to design a projectile for an

Iraqi "supergun," a long-range cannon built to deliver nuclear weapons.

A former lawyer for a machine tool company told Congress last year that U.S. farm loan guaranties were used to finance the purchase of parts intended for the "supergun."

The alleged designer of the gun, Canadian Gerald Bull, was found murdered outside his Brussels apartment in 1990, shortly before British customs officers seized large steel tubes destined for Iraq which they said could be used to construct a giant gun barrel.

Three federal agencies are investigating U.S.-made equipment found at nuclear development sites in Iraq after the Gulf War.

Another former Commerce Department official responsible for export controls, Dennis Kloske, also declined to appear at today's hearing, a committee aide said. The aide said he was told by Kloske's attorney that Kloske, now working in Geneva, Switzerland, had business obligations that prevented him from testifying.

Kloske told the House Judiciary Committee in written testimony in June that White House Counsel C. Boyden Gray opposed giving Congress data on exports of sensitive U.S. technology to Iraq.

Among the witnesses who were to testify at today's hearing were Kay, the former U.N. inspector, and Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Commit-

Police: 15 year old shot mother's boyfriend

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A 15-year-old boy walked into his mother's bedroom, pulled a pistol and shot her boyfriend to death because he claims the man had been beating his mother, police say.

"Supposedly no words were exchanged at the time, he just walked in and shot him," homicide commander Lt. Larry Birney said Monday.

Johnny Mata, 33, was pronounced dead at the scene early Monday. He had been shot in the abdomen with bullets fired from a .32-caliber pistol.

The mother and the boy were not identified because the boy is a juvenile.

The teen-ager, a dropout who has a history of alcohol-related crimes, was being held in the Juvenile Detention Center on a murder charge in connection with the shooting.

In a detention hearing Monday before District Judge Tom Rickhoff,

the youth's court-appointed attorney, Bill Delano, said the mother's boyfriend repeatedly had assaulted her.

"He just got tired of this guy whipping up on his mom," Delano said. "It happened time and time again."

The boy's mother was not at the hearing. The youth's father, with whom the teen alternately lived, also was not present.

Mata had lived for about a year with the youth and his mother at their home, Birney said.

When police arrived at the shooting scene, they found the youth sitting on the front porch with a gun on the sidewalk in front of him.

"There's the gun," a police report on the incident quotes the teen saying to the first officer on the scene. "I shot him twice."

The youth told police that after he shot Mata, he ran out of the house but then returned to the bedroom. He told police he pointed the gun to Mata's head and attempted to pull the trigger.

But the gun jammed. The last round was fired as the boy tried to fix the weapon, the police report said.

"All we have is what the mother said," Birney said. "Basically, the story is he (the youth) came home drunk, he has a violent temper when he's drunk."

Postal inspectors warn against scam

DALLAS (AP) — Here's some money-saving advice from the U.S. Postal Inspection Service:

If you get an official-looking postcard promising a big tax return for a small fee, throw it away.

Millions of such notices have been sent to addresses throughout the United States, advising recipients that the IRS is holding a refund check in their name, postal officials said.

To claim the money, the notice says all you have to do is send \$10 to an address in Florida.

However, those who send in the fee don't get a refund. All they get is a claim form, something the IRS gives away free.

"The postcards are designed to look official. The bureaucratic mumbo-jumbo makes it appear as

though disbursement has been approved," said Paul Griffo, national spokesman for the Postal Inspection Service.

An IRS spokeswoman said there is never a charge to claim a refund.

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Opinion

Candidates don't see whole picture

In the final debate, the American people were denied the views of Libertarian Party candidate Andre Marrou, who has qualified on the ballots of all 50 states and has been given some decent press in the local media, but not in the national media. Why was this important and unique voice again squelched?

Among the three candidates who participated, President Bush finally scored some points against challenger Bill Clinton, at least during the first half. Only then was the format in place that Vice President Dan Quayle also used to advantage against his Democratic opponent, Al Gore: sparring among the candidates, with just a single moderator. This give-and-take format allowed Bush and Quayle to look more human, more passionate against, respectively, the two Robo-Candidates, Clinton and Gore.

This give-and-take format deflated Clinton's polished answers and somewhat muffled the barbs of the other challenger, Ross Perot. Whatever did Bush campaign manager Jim Baker have in mind when he purposely held Bush to only 45 minutes of this format, with the remainder of the debates held under less favorable formats?

In any case, Bush made a good case that he could have done better with a balanced budget amendment and a line-item veto to cut waste in government. However, though neither of his challengers mentioned it, Bush effectively possessed a weapon to balance the budget: the Gramm-Rudman deficit reduction law. Unfortunately, Bush emasculated that law in 1990 as part of the record tax increase.

And the line-item veto actually exists in the Constitution, according to some legal scholars, if the president only were willing to test it. Bush did little to push aside the opinion that he has been weak and uncreative in tackling the nation's problems.

Bush was more successful in questioning Clinton's proposals, which would boost taxes by \$150 billion and spending by \$200 billion. "To get \$150 billion in new taxes, you need to go down to \$36,000" in income, Bush asserted, again correctly noting that Clinton would tax not just "the rich," but the middle class.

When asked to take a pledge not to increase taxes on a specific income level, Slick Willie deflected the question. He even criticized Bush, not for renegeing on that "No new taxes" pledge, but for making it in the first place! Throw in Perot, who promises to jack up taxes higher than either of his opponents, and you have one tax-happy trio. Perot even had the gall to say of his "shared sacrifice" proposal — in which you'll sacrifice higher taxes, while the government shares your money — "It will be fun."

No it won't. As America drifts, none of the top three candidates understands that the problem is that both taxation and spending — not one or the other remain far too high, and must be cut.

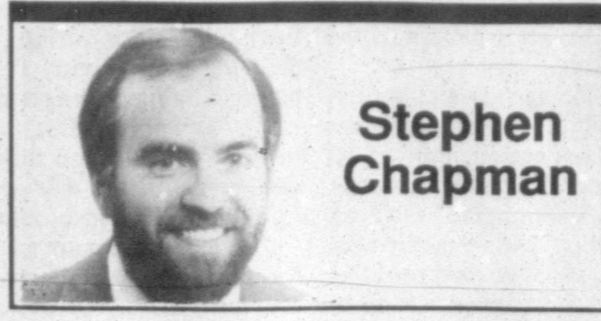
Mail delivery, other burdens of Postal Service

Americans have come to regard daily mail delivery as a sacred birthright, and the postmaster general thinks maybe they should be taught different. Marvin Runyon has requested a staff review of the possibility of cutting home delivery to just four days a week, omitting Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. He says, "It might make sense because I have had a lot of people say, 'You know, we don't need mail delivery every day.'"

It's time for Americans to face the fact that they are a terrible inconvenience to the Postal Service, which is diverted from its more important duties by the tiresome obligation of carrying the mail. Americans may think the service they get is mediocre at best, but Runyon apparently believes they are shamefully spoiled. Taking a leaf from John F. Kennedy, the people in charge of our mail think Americans should stop asking what the Postal Service can do for them and start considering what they can do for it.

Runyon, who earned the nickname "Carvin' Marvin" for his cost-cutting zeal as head of the Tennessee Valley Authority, has brought the same resolve to the job he assumed three months ago. This is not all for the bad. He has set out to slash overhead costs by 25 percent, closing 50 regional management offices and inducing some 46,000 managers to apply for early retirement. With these cuts, the Postal Service vows to spare us another rate increase until 1995.

But not all costs are created equal, and while the number of postal managers may exceed what is needed, the quality of postal service does not. It has been heading south for years: A first-class letter takes 15 percent longer to reach its destination now than it did in 1969. Like the football team that compensated for being small by being slow, the Postal



Stephen Chapman

Service has made up for worse service with higher prices. Mailing a letter costs one-third more today than it did in 1969, after adjusting for inflation.

Runyon proposes to reduce the quality of something that is not exactly the envy of the world. While Americans are supposed to have no need for daily visits from the postman, British city-dwellers have long enjoyed twice-a-day delivery. They and other Western Europeans also expect speed from their mail carriers. First-class letters are delivered overnight anywhere within a country.

True, most European nations are the size of our states, but the U.S. Postal Service doesn't aim for overnight delivery even within states. Or, for that matter, between adjacent counties: Letters sent from Chicago to neighboring Dupage or Lake County are considered "on time" by the Postal Service if they show up at their destination two days later.

Defenders of the U.S. mail may reply, accurately, that Western Europeans also pay more — about 50 cents for a first-class letter in most countries. They also share one conspicuous defect of our postal system, which is a lack of choice. Some Europeans would cheerfully forgo lightning-fast service if they could pay less. Some Americans would readily fork over 50 cents to send a letter if they could

expect it to get where it's going with reasonable dispatch.

But as long as everyone has to deal with government-owned monopolies, neither we nor our transatlantic counterparts can expect the consumer to rule. The only sure recipe for better, cheaper postal service is to let private companies compete in carrying first-class mail.

It's safe to assume that this option is not one favored by Runyon, who regards competition with such loathing that he has a policy of discarding, unopened, all packages delivered to him by anyone but the Postal Service. Apparently federal parcels often wind up in the dumpster, since some government agencies use a private firm that provides overnight delivery for \$3.95, saving the taxpayers \$6 over the Postal Service rate.

Runyon has good reason to be hostile to anyone presuming to do the Postal Service's job better than it can. Private companies have surpassed it wherever they've had the chance — United Parcel Service and other commercial firms now carry more than 90 percent of all packages. Critics claim that if first-class competition were allowed, private firms would snatch up only the most lucrative routes, shunning the boondocks and the slums. But UPS and Federal Express deliver anywhere the Postal Service does and, to rub it in, do it quicker and more reliably.

Postal customers may be dissatisfied with their mail system, but, luckily for Marvin Runyon and his employees, they also seem resigned to its failures. So far, Americans resemble three men trapped in a large hole debating how to get out, while ignoring the extension ladder standing nearby. Solving our postal problems is hard only if you rule out the obvious answer.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 27, the 301st day of 1992. There are 65 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

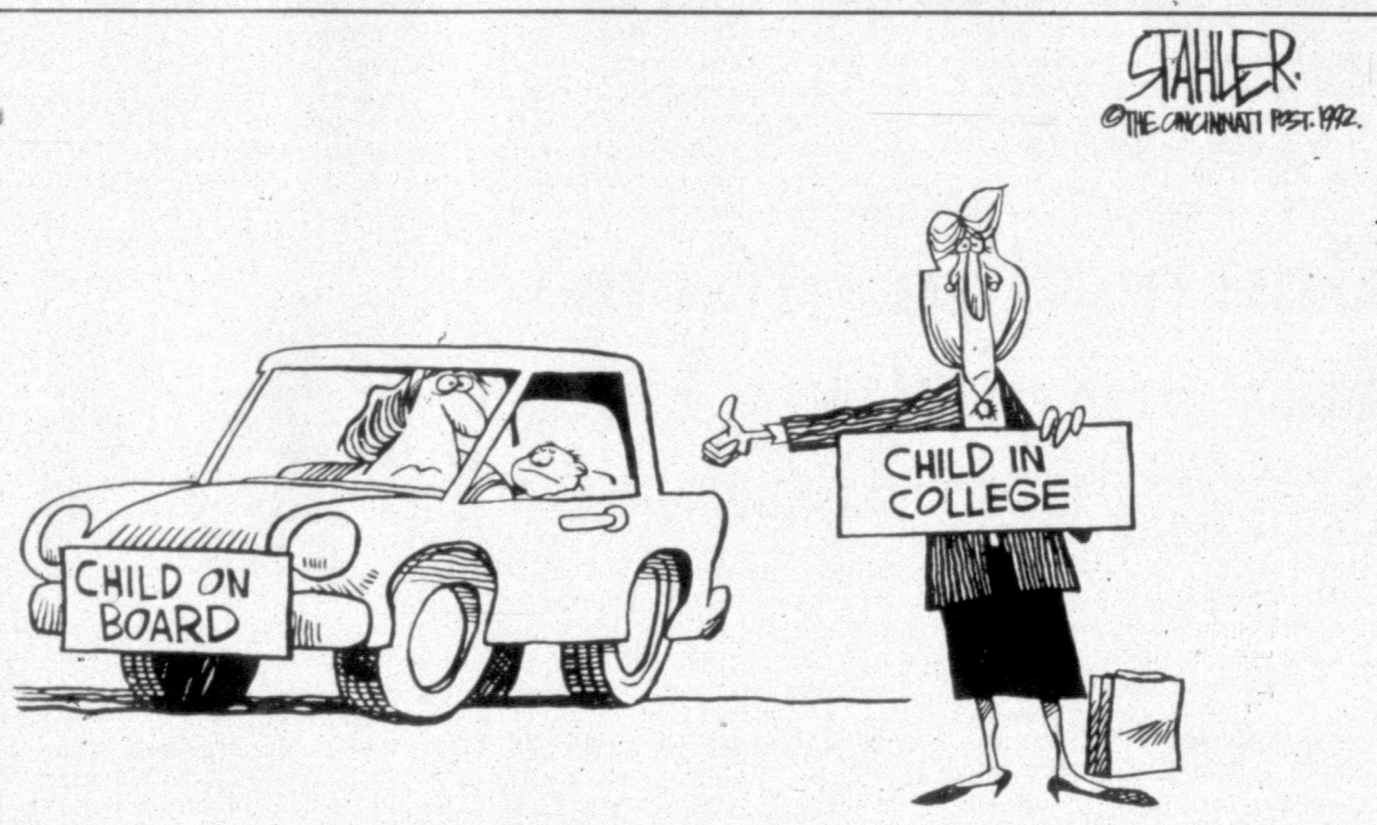
On Oct. 27, 1787, the first of the Federalist Papers, a series of essays calling for ratification of the United States Constitution, was published in a New York newspaper. The essays, written anonymously by Alexander Hamilton, James Madison and John Jay, argued in favor of a strong national government.

On this date:

In 1795, the United States and Spain signed the Treaty of San Lorenzo, which provided for free navigation of the Mississippi River.

In 1858, the 26th president of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, was born in New York City.

In 1880, on his 22nd birthday, Theodore Roosevelt married Alice Lee.



Bravo!

Atlanta has won the National League Baseball Championship for the second straight year. Atlanta made it to the World Series for the second straight year. Atlanta will host a Super Bowl in the near future as well as the 1996 Summer Olympic Games.

And the national media just can't stand it. Last baseball season the Los Angeles Times let somebody named Mike Downey loose with a computer and he slammed the Braves as well as the city.

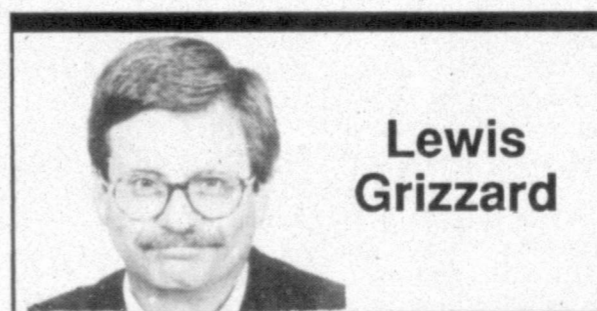
Hey, Mike. Big year for the Dodgers and the domestic tranquility in the City of Angels. During the World Series last year, some Nanook of the North in Minnesota called Atlanta fans red-necks and suggested the city should not have been rebuilt after Sherman burned it down.

When Atlanta was awarded the Olympics, the boys from such garden spots as Baltimore thought such a thing was inconceivable. Thus was born, the "Bubba Games."

And it has started again. I was in St. Louis recently and picked up a Chicago newspaper. In the sports section there was an article ripping some Atlanta fans for leaving the stadium before the incredible 9th inning comeback against Pittsburgh in the 7th game of the National League Championship Series.

On another page a columnist referred to Atlanta fans as obnoxious, and ranted about the Pirates and how much character they had losing three straight playoff series.

The guy was disappointed it seemed he wasn't



Lewis Grizzard

going to be in Pittsburgh but would have to remain in Atlanta for Game 1 of the World Series between the Braves and Toronto Blue Jays.

I lived in Chicago. My brain froze on occasion. More than one Atlanta fan mentioned to me that CBS announcers seemed to focus completely on manager Jim Leyland and the Pirates during Games 6 and 7.

"It was Leyland this and Leyland that the whole time," said one. "They never mentioned Braves' manager Bobby Cox."

What's the problem, folks? As Dan Quayle said to Al Gore: "Take a breath, Al. Inhale."

And from where does all his anti-Atlantan venom spring? Is it jealousy? Is it because this is the South, and these chirping sparrows have a serious case of geographical prejudice.

What's the deal with Atlanta's fans?

Why are they obnoxious? Because they do the tomahawk chop?

Here's a news flash for you. The chop controversy is over. Even the Native Americans didn't bother to come back and protest this year.

The Atlanta Braves drew 3 million in attendance in 1992. The fans suffered a long time in this city, but when the Braves finally gave them a winner they forgave the past and became as loyal as any fans in baseball.

Speaking of obnoxious. If you ever get to Wrigley Field in Chicago, check out the beer-guzzling, shirtless slobs in the bleachers.

The Chicago article said Cubs or White Sox fans would never have left the game early if their team had been down two to nothing in the deciding game of the championship series.

The White Sox and the Cubs in a championship series?

I have no idea how many fans might have left in Game 7 before the Braves' Sid Bream slid across the plate with the winning run. But when he scored, I looked up and saw an absolutely packed Atlanta Fulton County Stadium losing its mind.

Obviously many of those who left came back. People without tickets literally were begging for them outside the stadium. Somebody was beating a drum. There was music. There was laughter.

Too bad there are people who can't or won't enjoy it.

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Sexual orientation is a fact of life

I remember when one of the most awkward things you could say was, "I have a lot of black friends." It was usually a lumberheaded attempt at trying to prove how enlightened and progressive you were, and truly enlightened hearers noted that if you WERE genuinely oblivious to color, you wouldn't need to mention skin hue.

That said, here I go: I have wonderful gay friends. We didn't choose each other as friends because of sexual orientation but because we treat each with humor, insight and caring. We don't talk much about their being gay or my being heterosexual unless it relates to another topic we're discussing, nor do we avoid it. It is simply one part of the whole picture that defines us.

So why do I bother to mention my friends' sexual orientation? Why isn't it something, like skin color, to which you become so oblivious that it isn't an issue? I mention it because back in the time we were boasting of black friends to show enlightenment, no one was suggesting blacks change themselves to become more white. There are many people who demand that gays change themselves, however, and some of them believe gays are bad people, people who don't deserve to be accepted just as they are.

One of the most troubling aspects of the "change or else" demand is the reaction of some in the anti-gay contingent to medical research suggesting there may be true biological differences in homosexuals and heterosexuals. I'm not a scientist and can only read about what scientists explore, but I



Sarah Overstreet

enjoy medical reporting and keep clips on a variety of medical issues and this research is one of them.

One of the most interesting articles I've read lately is about the difficulty scientists have in even defining completely through standards genetic testing whether a person is male or female. Earlier this year, *The New York Times* reported that a gene mutation on a chromosome, defects in hormone production and other naturally occurring conditions result in "blurred gender" that cannot be determined by gender tests used by the International Olympic Committee.

Research into possible biological differences in gays and heterosexuals is in its early stages, and we absolutely don't know what it means yet. That's why I was shocked to see the immediate reaction to the research by some in the anti-gay crowd, declaring that the research is being misinterpreted to win cultural approval for homosexuality and repeal of laws against it.

Nonsense. Science is science, not a social agenda. If science were to prove that homosexuality is nothing more than the psychological result of environment, then that is what is would prove. What some opponents of homosexuality are doing now is to take evidence that suggests nature may have a hand in sexual orientation, and saying if it is a natural condition is no more than a "disease" we should try to cure.

Syndicated columnist Cal Thomas wrote in September, "There were great strides on the genetic front ... which may someday contribute to the debate on homosexuality, when it was announced that doctors are now able to identify embryos with genetic defects only a few days after conception and, in some cases, remove damaged genes that cause such maladies as cystic fibrosis. They can then replace the embryo in the womb, which leads to the birth of a normal baby."

In other words, homosexuality may be a condition of nature, but that doesn't mean we can't cure you even if we have to do it while you're in the womb. You may be perfectly well and happy just as nature made you, but if we say you should be another way, why don't you just give up and let us change you?

I'm reminded of the tourist who told a guide in the large commercial caverns near my home that those formations were NOT millions of years old, but only as old as the Old Testament, a few thousand. "This is God we're talkin' about son," the tourist told the guide. "He can make things LOOK old!"

Lifestyles

Spanish island battles to save stone monuments

By ELLEN HOFFMAN
National Geographic

MINORCA, Spain — Time, neglect and human pillaging threaten to rob this rocky Mediterranean island of its ancient legacy.

Minorca, smaller and less-visited than its sister Balearic Island of Majorca off the east coast of Spain, has 68,347 inhabitants and 2,790 archaeological monuments — one monument for every 25 people. But even as researchers find more monuments, the excavated ones crumble.

To protect what remains of their archaeological heritage and to promote reputable research and excavation, Minorcans have launched a drive to have their ruins designated a United Nations World Heritage site.

Most of the island's distinctive monuments are 2,000 to 4,000 years old. They belong to the Talayotic culture, named after the tall, conical stone watchtowers — "talayots" — that were built before contact with Phoenician, Greek and Roman civilizations started the decline of the Talayotic period.

From the earliest period of Minorca's prehistory, about 2,000 to 1,500 B.C., "what's most characteristic are megalithic grave sites, cave-like chambers in which they buried their dead. We know less about where they lived," says Joan de Nicolas, a Minorcan journalist and high school teacher whose avocation and passion is Minorca's archaeology.

The most striking monuments are the "taulas," imposing T-shaped structures composed of two huge slabs of rock. Usually located within a semicircle of other vertical rock slabs, they are believed to have had religious significance.

"But what religion?" asks De Nicolas. "Who were the gods? We can't say these people were monotheists. They could have had an agrarian cult or a cult that was

related to the stars."

Another expert on the ruins, Oxford University archaeologist William Waldren, suggests that the large number of taulas on the flat island might have had something to do with astrology.

In addition to the 274 talayots that have been identified on Minorca, the monuments include hundreds of artificial and natural caves used as burial grounds, and the remains of houses, religious sites, water systems and two-level oblong communal burial structures known as "navetas."

Some of the burial chambers have yielded numerous grave goods such as tools and jewelry. At one prehistoric settlement, researchers found a figure of Imhotep, the Egyptian god of medicine. Why or how it came to be there is unknown.

In 1896, Minorcan archaeologist Francesc Camps i Mercadal published a list of what he called intrinsic and extrinsic enemies of the island's talayots.

Age was the leading intrinsic enemy. Extrinsic enemies included vandalism, war, treasure hunters, vegetation and "the laziness of landowners and tenant farmers, the aphasia and dumbness of academic institutions, the deafness of governments."

Today's enemies bear a striking resemblance to those of 100 years ago. De Nicolas cites "the rapid deterioration of important sites excavated in the last 20 years and abandonment of those sites to uncontrolled vegetation."

He also talks of new enemies: scuba divers with metal detectors, contemporary cave dwellers and "developers with little sensitivity" to the importance of the island's history.

De Nicolas tells National Geographic that in at least two major cave burial sites, 20 to 30 years ago "people took lots of items away, and now 3 meters of sediment are completely scrambled up." Under-



A dairy farmer herds his cows on the island of Minorca, in the Mediterranean off the Spanish coast. Minorca has an abundance of ancient stone monuments, but the monuments are crumbling under both natural and human pressure.

water vandals destroyed the remains of about 15 Roman and Phoenician boats along the coast north and south of the port of Mahon, Minorca's capital, he says.

De Nicolas was hired by the island's government to prepare the dossier required to seek designation as a World Heritage site.

It won't happen soon. To have the Minorca ruins added to the list,

Spain must convince an international committee that the monuments meet criteria that make them of "exceptional and universal value." The earliest this could happen would be December 1994.

The World Heritage list now has 337 sites. Among them are noble achievements such as the Taj Mahal and Stonehenge and natural wonders such as Yellowstone National

Park and the Great Barrier Reef.

Often referred to as an "open-air archaeological museum," the Minorcan landscape of gentle hills, ravines and craggy coastal cliffs is peppered with caves and man-made stone structures that are within easy reach and view of tourists, residents — and treasure hunters.

But the public can't see any of the legally recovered artifacts. Minor-

ca's museum has been closed for nearly two decades because of a fund shortage.

Although Minorca is the first of the Balearic islands to complete a census of its monuments, "it never stops amazing me how little we have worked here," says De Nicolas. "There's not one prehistoric village that's completely excavated."

Outstanding 4-H youth, leaders honored

Outstanding 4-H'ers, leaders, and friends of 4-H were honored at the 1992 4-H Achievement event on October 18, in Lefors. The achievement was hosted by the Lefors 5-H 4-H Club and Grandview 4-H Club.

The Gold Star 4-H awards were presented to David Kludt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fran Kludt of Pampa, and Grace Sutton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Sutton of Pampa. The Gold Star awards are the top county honor a 4-H'er may receive. The 4-H Gold Star awards is based on project achievements, leadership, citizenship, and results of 4-H recordbook and interview judging.

Recognized as the 1992 Outstanding 4-H Leaders were Martha Hadley of Pampa and Roger and Shari Davenport of Lefors. Wal-Mart of Pampa was named the "Friend of 4-H" for 1992. Both the Outstanding Leader and Friend of 4-H awards are selected by members of the Gray County 4-H Council.

The Rookie of the Year and I Dare You Leadership Awards are selected from 4-H'ers nominated by leaders. Lindsay Tid-

well, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Tidwell of Pampa was named Rookie of the Year. Lindsay is a member of the E.T. 4-H Club.

Receiving the I Dare You Leadership awards were Dennis Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Williams of Lefors, and Richard Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams of Pampa.

4-H letter jackets were presented to six 4-H'ers and a 4-H watch to another. Earning letter jackets for placing first in a district or state contest were: Justin Collingsworth, Richard Williams, Jessica Dawes, Amanda Kludt, Regina Caldwell and Angela Moyer. Earning a watch was Jason Sellers.

4-H'ers receiving special county award medals in projects in which they submitted 4-H recordbooks included:

- Grace Sutton and Colby Street — Consumer Education
- Holly Abbott, Amanda Kludt, Lori Stephens, and Britney Street — Clothing
- Lindsay Tidwell and Kim McDonald — Fashion Revue
- Dennis Williams — Shooting Sports

- Nathan Dawes, Shawn Dawes, Jessica Dawes, and Jennifer Bliss — Rabbits
- Nonnie James — Swine
- Jessica Fish and Matt Reeves — Sheep
- Michel Reeves — Horse
- David Kludt, Brian Brauchi, and Barry Brauchi — Achievement
- Kirk McDonald, Angie Davenport, and Jennifer Williams — Foods & Nutrition
- Shelly Davenport — Home Economics Achievement
- Terra Hembree — Dog Care
- Jason Bliss — Meat Science

- Richard Williams — Fitness Leadership
 - Adam Stephens — Safety
 - Nikki Bockmon — Conservation of Natural Resources
- Other awards presented include: special project recognition, patches, recognition for participation in state contests, junior and teen leaders, leader certificates and year pins.

4-H is a youth development program for boys and girls ages 9-19, regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

Youth isn't always a compliment

DEAR ABBY: My eldest sister, "Thelma," died of cancer last June. A short time before her death, I took her for a treatment, and afterward we had lunch at a nearby cafe.

The waitress offered me more coffee, then she turned to Thelma and asked, "And how about you, young lady?"

I could see that Thelma was deeply offended. She knew she wasn't young — she was 78 years old and had been fighting cancer for five years. She had lost all her hair because of the chemotherapy treatments and was very thin and frail.

Thelma had been a beauty until she fell ill. She was a talented artist and seamstress and had been active in community affairs. She refused to give up, and kept going until she just couldn't go any more. She made pretty scarves to cover her hairless head and wore gloves to hide her bony hands.

I resented that waitress thinking she was being complimentary by calling my sister "young lady."

Abby, please tell your readers that not all senior citizens think being addressed as "young" is the ultimate compliment. What's wrong with "ma'am" or "sir"? It sounds more sincere and respectful. Please print this for my wonderful sister.

MISSING MY SISTER
DEAR MISSING: Please accept my sympathy at the loss of your beloved sister. Thank you for writing. I'm printing your letter. Many can learn from it. I did.



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

Are there other husbands like mine? And if there are any wives out there who know how to get their men to dress presentably around the house, I sure hope they write in and share their secret with Dear Abby.

DEAR DESPERATE: I don't know what your husband's attitude was toward retirement — but from the picture you are painting, he seems to have little incentive to get dressed and go out. This could be a symptom of depression, or possibly a physical problem. Tell your family doctor, and ask him to schedule an appointment for your husband.

If everything checks out A-OK, perhaps you could explore some senior activities that would interest you both. These are supposed to be the golden years — don't let them tarnish.

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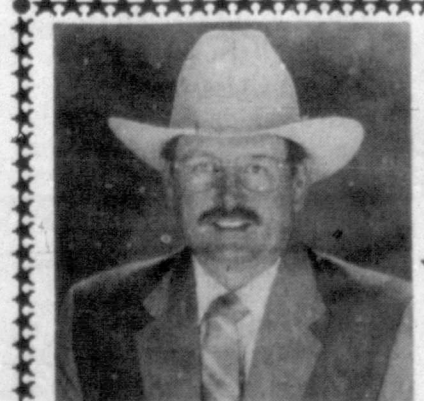
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- 17 River inlet
- 18 Time being
- 20 In name only
- 22 Difficult
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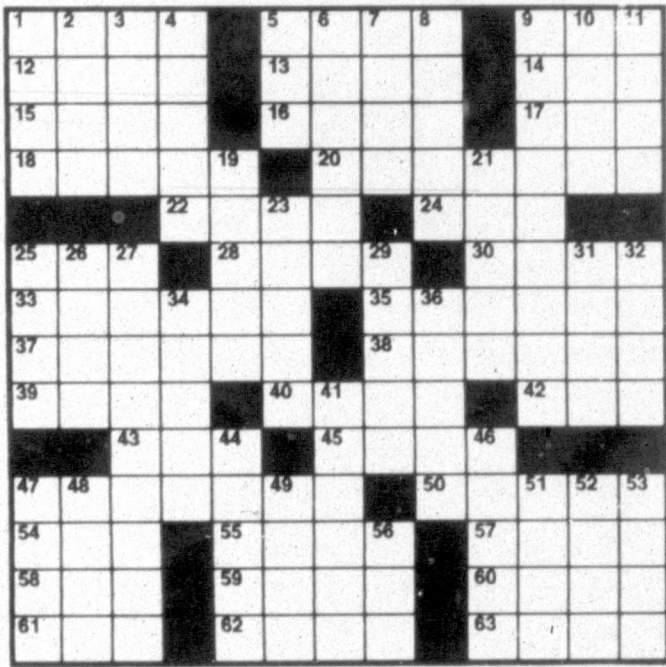
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5 Gypsy man
6 African land
7 Infamous Roman emperor
8 City in Alabama
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10 Skeleton parts
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25 Chops
26 — fix (obsession)
27 — century
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32 This (Sp.)
34 Total (2 wds.)
36 Compiler of Thesaurus
41 Earliest born
44 Priest's vestment
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47 Editor's note
48 Decipher
49 Architect — Saarinen
51 Positive words
52 Greater in number
53 Grafted, in heraldry
56 Old card game



WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

The centerpiece of my campaign for class president will be a big tax cut.

We don't pay taxes at school, Thurman.

Then I'll advocate an aggressive foreign policy.

We don't have foreign policies, either.

The death penalty?

Uh-uh.

Well, just exactly how is a Republican supposed to get elected around here?

We could beat up some poor people...

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

WHAT ARE YOU WATCHING?

A TRASHY TV MOVIE.

I TAKE IT THE HUSBAND IS A SCUM BUCKET!

IT'S A TRUE STORY!

ECK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

THE VALUE OF THE DOLLAR FELL AGAIN TODAY.

GOOD.

WHAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT IT?

IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY...

IT'S NOT AS BAD TODAY AS IT WAS YESTERDAY.

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

LOOKS TO ME LIKE THEY FORMED THE 'ELECTORAL COLLEGE' 'CAUSE THEY THOUGHT PEOPLE WERE TOO STUPID TO KNOW WHICH CANDIDATE TO VOTE FOR.

THAT'S INEXCUSABLE!

... YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO VOTE FOR JUST ONE OF THEM?

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Substantial returns could now be in the offing thanks to efforts you've expended on endeavors that have yet to bear fruit. Don't be discouraged; a big payoff could be right around the corner. Scorpio, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Scorpio's Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your best asset today is your ability to function as a catalyst, getting others to accomplish meaningful objectives. You'll lead, and they'll follow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your material aspects continue to look encouraging. Once again, you might be able to turn a profit through some form of indirect action.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If a friend of long standing comes to you for help today, be responsive. Ironically, you might end up being the one who will derive the greatest benefit from your gesture.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In order to be most effective today, it might be wise to guide others from behind the scenes. Instead of seeking recognition, let them think that your ideas are theirs.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Make an effort today to touch base with old pals. It's to your advantage at this time to maintain strong relationships, owing to something new that's stirring.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're still in a fortunate trend where benefits can be derived from handling tasks and assignments effectively. Continue to do your best.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is a good day to enter into serious negotiations, provided both parties are as concerned about protecting the other's rights as they are about protecting their own.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Utilize your talents today for transforming something that is old into something more useful and functional. This applies to either your vocation or your avocation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Developments could occur today that will help you strengthen the bonds between you and your loved ones. It will be up to you to take the initiative in these associations.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're on a favorable roll at this time to finalize important matters to your satisfaction. Keep your priorities in order and handle the most important ones first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If possible, do not delegate important assignments to subordinates today. You're the one who is best equipped to handle these matters, even if it puts you under a bit of pressure.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS, STARTING OUT AS WOLVES...

...AND GRADUALLY EVOLVING INTO THE DOMESTICATED DOG...

WE CANINES HAVE BEEN STEADILY DEVELOPING AND HONING OUR OLFACTORY SKILLS.

...UNFORTUNATELY.

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

"Honest, Officer...I wasn't the one who had the lead foot."

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

YOU COULD BE RIGHT. MAYBE I DO NEED MORE FURNITURE.

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

THESE MAIL POUCHES WERE SUPPOSED TO BE IN CHICAGO LATE THIS AFTERNOON, AL!

GREAT! SO HOW'RE YOU PLANNING ON GETTING ON GETTING 'EM THERE?

I'LL HITCH RIDE INTO SPRINGFIELD AND PUT 'EM ON THE TRAIN!

...THEN I'LL PICK UP WHAT WE NEED TO GET THIS OLD GIRL AIRBORNE AGAIN!

I'D STILL LIKE TO KNOW WHO DISABLED 'ER!

YEAH, I'D KIND OF LIKE TO KNOW THAT TOO!

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavali

I HEAR WE'RE GETTING OUR VACCINATIONS TOMORROW.

BOY! I CAN HARDLY WAIT!

YOU LIKE VACCINATIONS?

I THOUGHT YOU SAID "VACATIONS."

THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

DISGUSTING! YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY SOUSED, AREN'T YOU?

NAH!

ALL RIGHT THEN, HOW MANY FINGERS AM I HOLDING UP?

WHICH ONE OF YOU?

SNAFU

By Bruce Beattie

"Whenever we come from seeing Smitty's hubcap collection, one's missing from my car!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane

"Daddy, am I a Publigan or a Demmycrap?"

CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

HEY SUSIE, PICK A NUMBER IN THE FORTUNE TELLER.

UM... THREE.

ONE, TWO, THREE! NOW PICK A LETTER.

"B."

WE LIFT UP FLAP "B" AND IT SAYS, "YOU'RE A MOUTH-BREATHING BAG OF BOOGERS!"

AH HA HA HA HA HA!

LIFE DOESN'T GET MUCH BETTER THAN THIS.

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

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PUMPKIN.

WHATEVER... ANYWAY, I'M VOLUNTEERING TO HELP YOU SPREAD THE WORD!

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By Jim Davis

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TAP TAP

SNICKER SNICKER

GARFIELD

By Jim Davis

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SNICKER SNICKER

Sports



Buffalo's Thurman Thomas is stopped by Mo Lewis (left) and James Hasty, but not before a six-yard gain in the third quarter. (AP Laserphoto)

Bills sneak past Jets

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) - A Monday night against the New York Jets. How could the Buffalo Bills miss?

They didn't, but just barely, as Thurman Thomas caught a 12-yard touchdown pass from Jim Kelly with 51 seconds remaining, lifting the Bills past their AFC East patsy, 24-20. Buffalo marched 75 yards in seven plays, using 59 seconds to earn its 10th straight victory over the Jets.

The late heroics spoiled a superb comeback by the Jets (1-6). Ken O'Brien, the man Jets fans love to hate, guided New York 65 yards on a 77-yard drive for a 20-17 lead, with Brad Baxter scoring from the 1 with 1:50 remaining.

Browning Nagle hurt his shoulder early in New York's TD drive when hit by Bruce Smith. O'Brien, a 7 1/2-year starter who lost his job to Nagle this year, came in and took them from their 35 to the score.

O'Brien found Rob Moore for 9 yards, Blair Thomas ran for 6 and O'Brien's 45-yard rainbow was dropped in the end zone by Rob Moore, but James Williams was called for interference.

Baxter scored on the next play, leaving more than enough time for the two-time defending AFC champions.

The Bills (5-2) got a 34-yard pass to Don Beebe to the Jets' 49. Beebe also caught a 19-yarder on third down to the 30.

Thomas ran for 18 yards, then Kelly found the versatile running back between two defenders in the end zone.

The Bills broke a two-game slide in which they scored only 13 points with a muddled no-huddle attack. The Jets continued their disastrous year, although they played their best game against their nemesis.

A mini-brawl involving Smith and Nagle erupted on New York's second possession.

Nagle, scrambling toward the sideline, completed a pass to Ken Whisenhunt and was hit by Smith. Nagle tried to get up, but Smith wouldn't move. So Nagle pushed Smith, who then appeared to fall back on top of the quarterback.

Jets tackle Irv Eatman then dived on Smith, drawing a 15-yard unsportsmanlike conduct penalty.

New York led 3-0 on Cary Blanchard's first-quarter 42-yard field goal. But the Bills quickly snatched the lead in the second quarter.

Ken Davis' 2-yard touchdown dive came one play after Thomas gained 20 yards on a sweep. The Bills got in position on a 37-yard pass to Andre Reed on third-and-15.

Blanchard hit a 40-yarder to make it 7-6, but Nate Odomes' interception set up Buffalo's quick drive at the end of the half for a 14-6 edge.

The Bills looked as sharp as ever during the march, which took 43 seconds to go 62 yards. Kelly hit Beebe, fresh off the injury list, on passes of 15 and 18 yards and Thomas ran for 13. Davis scored with 12 seconds remaining in the half.

New York's offense, dormant a lot longer than Buffalo's, woke up in the third quarter. The Jets got their first touchdown in seven quarters and only their third on the ground all season on Pat Chaffey's 1-yard run after they drove 84 yards in 10 plays.

That made it 14-13. But the Bills responded with Steve Christie's 33-yard field goal.

Then each team reverted to recent error-prone ways.

Reed fumbled when slammed by Mike Brim and Mo Lewis recovered and ran 25 yards to the Buffalo 41 early in the fourth quarter.

On fourth-and-4, Nagle threw a short pass to Whisenhunt that did not connect, but Mark Kelso was called for interference, a silly mistake because the play would not have gained a first down.

On the next play, though, Henry Jones picked off Nagle's pass and returned it to the Jets' 49. The Bills got nowhere, then stopped the Jets.

Gambling with just over seven minutes left, New York faked a punt, with Chaffey running over right guard for 29 yards. That got the Jets to the Bills' 43, but they turned the ball over on downs.

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DISTRICT 1-4A STANDINGS

Team	District	Overall
Hereford	3-0	6-2
Pampa	2-1	2-6
Dumas	2-1	4-4
Randall	2-1	6-2
Caprock	0-3	2-6
Borger	0-3	0-8

Last Week's Results
Hereford 21, Pampa 14; Dumas 42, Caprock 14; Randall 35, Borger 6.

Friday's Games
Pampa at Borger; Caprock at Hereford; Dumas at Randall.

Class 2A

1. Freer (26)	7-0-0	293	1
2. Van Alstyne (1)	7-0-1	228	3
3. Schulenburg	7-1-0	198	4
4. Pilot Point	7-1-0	181	5
5. Boyd (1)	8-0-0	162	7
6. Groveton	7-1-0	133	8
7. Universal City Randolph	6-1-0	73	9
8. New Diana	8-0-0	71	10
9. Grapeleaf	6-2-0	58	2
10. Refugio (1)	8-0-0	58	—

Class A

1. Bartlett (27)	7-0-0	297	1
2. Rung (3)	8-0-0	264	2
3. Jola	8-0-1	211	3
4. Overton	8-0-0	182	4
5. Tenaha	8-0-0	180	5
6. Crawford	8-0-0	166	6
7. Sudan	7-1-0	108	7
8. Hico	7-1-0	102	8
9. Nazareth	8-0-0	56	10
10. Gunter	8-0-0	14	—

SCHOOLBOY POLL

DALLAS (AP) - 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. Voting is by a panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

Class 5A

Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Jersey Village (14)	8-0-0	268	1
2. Dallas Kimball (10)	8-0-0	261	2
3. Odessa Permian (3)	6-1-0	223	3
4. Temple (2)	7-1-0	207	4
5. Converse Judson	7-1-0	174	6
6. Beaumont West Brook	8-0-0	165	7
7. El Paso Irvin	8-0-0	75	9
8. Fort Worth Dunbar	7-1-0	68	10
9. Spring Westfield	6-1-1	37	4
10. Houston Yates (1)	6-1-1	25	—

Class 4A

1. Carthage (20)	8-0-0	283	1
2. Austin Westlake (4)	8-0-0	249	2
3. Waxahachie (4)	8-0-0	240	3
4. A&M Consolidated	7-1-0	192	4
5. Austin Reagan	7-1-0	174	5
6. Gregory-Portland	7-0-0	126	7
7. Bay City	6-1-0	137	6
8. West Orange-Stark	7-1-0	83	8
9. New Braunfels (1)	8-0-0	60	9
10. Austin LBJ	7-1-0	49	10

Class 3A

1. Southlake Carroll (27)	8-0-0	297	1
2. Vernon (1)	8-0-0	265	2
3. Bellville (2)	8-0-0	240	3
4. Waco Robinson	8-0-0	178	4
5. Carrizo Springs	7-1-0	137	6
6. Anahuac	6-1-1	131	5
7. Reagan County	8-0-0	125	7
8. Alpine	8-0-0	73	9
9. Forney	6-2-0	22	—
10. Hitchcock	6-0-0	22	—

Class 2A (continued)

Also receiving votes: Memphis (1), 38; Leon 30; Electra 23; Aubrey 20; Yorktown 16; Tidehaven 14; Edgewood 13; Paul Frewitt 9; Belts 6; Celina 6; Goldthwaite 6; Mart 6; Albany 5; Van Horn 5; Holliday 3; West Sabine 3; Hubbard 2.
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Class A (continued)

Also receiving votes: Rankin 12; Roscoe 11; Alvord 10; Valley View 10; Riesel 9; Agua Dulce 8; Blue Ridge 8; Hart 5; Menard 5; Paducah 4; Baird 3; D'Hanis; Flatonia 1; Plains 1; Throckmorton 1.

'Horns offense has Dykes worried

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK (AP) - Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes says watching the dizzying rotation of players on the Texas Longhorns' offense could give someone motion sickness.

"It's like Grand Central Station at 5 o'clock there are so many people in and out of the game. It kind of makes you seasick," Dykes said Monday. "In that situation you just have to play football and not worry about all that movement."

Dykes will have plenty to worry about Saturday as the No. 25 Longhorns invade Lubbock in a game that will help determine who, if anyone, will make a run at No. 5 Texas A&M in the Southwest Conference race.

"They (the players) know what's at stake," said Dykes, whose team is 3-4 overall and 2-1 in the SWC.

And then there's the Longhorns defense.

"They've probably got the best middle linebacker (Winfred Tubbs) in the conference," Dykes said. "They've got a great defensive end in Norman Watkins and they have three defensive backs who will be drafted in the first round. They have a tremendous array of talent."

As for the Red Raiders, Dykes hopes the worst is behind his team.

And judging by Saturday's game against Southern Methodist, things couldn't have gotten much worse.

The Mustangs turned three turnovers by the Red Raiders into touchdowns and took a 19-7 lead before Tech's starting quarterback Robert Hall left the game in the second quarter with a bruised right shoulder.

"I guess Murphy's Law sort of took effect. About everything bad that could happen to us happened there for awhile," Dykes said.

New Rangers manager to stress fundamentals

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON (AP) - Kevin Kennedy knows the Texas Rangers are a power team. He also wants them to learn to run the bases and play defense.

"I'm aware there is a lot of talent on the team, but you can have power and still make things happen on the basepaths," Kennedy said. "And I will stress fundamentals from Day One in spring training."

Kennedy, bench coach of the Montreal Expos, on Monday was given two years to do what 12 managers ahead of him have never done: get the Rangers into the playoffs.

"I think being No. 13 is a good omen," Kennedy said. "I'm about winning. I expect to win."



Kevin Kennedy (left) poses with Rangers' managing partner George W. Bush during Monday's news conference. (AP Laserphoto)

Kennedy of Tarzana, Calif., succeeded Toby Harrah, who was 32-44 after replacing the fired Bobby Valentine in July.

Harrah was offered another job in the Rangers organization, but general manager Tom Grieve said Harrah has yet to say whether he will stay with the club.

Grieve said Kennedy won't be given time to rebuild.

"Our goal is to win the American League championship," Grieve said. "It's important to me to win next year."

Kennedy immediately went to work on assembling a staff. Texas pitching coach Tom House could be on his way out, replaced by Claude Osteen, who has worked with Kennedy.

"That's the task at hand right now," Kennedy said. "I need to get a staff together."

Kennedy was a successful minor league manager in the Los Angeles Dodgers organization, posting a 533-373 record in eight years from 1984 to 1991. As a player, Kennedy was a minor league catcher, reaching the Triple-A level.

"I've been in the game 18 years and I haven't felt like a rookie since 1976," Kennedy said. "There's no question I'm prepared for this opportunity. I've served my apprenticeship. There was nothing left to do in the minors."

He becomes the eighth current major league manager with a catching background, joining Rene Lachemann, Gene Lamont, Jim Leyland, Johnny Oates, Buck Rodgers, Jeff Torborg and Joe Torre.

"I appreciate the Rangers giving me this opportunity to manage in the major leagues. It's been a long time coming for me," Kennedy said.

The 38-year-old Kennedy said the

Rangers will run and play better defense.

"My style is very aggressive," he said. "I like to make things happen. I like to run."

"I expect execution and I stress fundamentals. I believe I'm a good communicator and I enjoy the rapport with players," Kennedy said.

He said he patterns his style after Leyland of the Pittsburgh Pirates, who also never played in the big leagues.

"I respect the way Jim runs a ballclub," Kennedy said. "He runs a good game, and I'd like to do that."

"If you asked me if I'm a disciplinarian or a players' manager, I'd say I'm probably a combination of both. There are times you need discipline and there are times you need to talk to a player and find out what makes him tick. I enjoy being around personalities. It makes it fun. I don't want to have any clones on the team."

Rangers managing partner George W. Bush said the club narrowed its search to four finalists — Kennedy; Harrah; Rene Lachemann, recently named manager of the Florida Marlins; and Jerry Royster, a manager in the Dodgers organization.

"He was a very impressive candidate," Bush said of Kennedy. "His first mission will be to unify the club and take us to a new era."

Kennedy can speak passable Spanish and managed four years in Latin America. The Rangers have a number of Latin players, including Juan Gonzalez and Ivan Rodriguez.

"He'll do well with the Latin players," said Montreal manager Felipe Alou. "I know the Expos will miss him a lot. He did a great job for us."

Memorial service set for former Lombardi winner

BRENNHAM (AP) - A memorial service for former University of Houston defensive tackle Wilson Whitley is planned for Wednesday. The Lombardi Award winner died at age 37 of an apparent heart attack.

Services are pending for Whitley, who died Sunday at a hospital near his home in Marietta, Ga.

He anchored a defense that led the Cougars to the Cotton Bowl in 1976, their first year in the Southwest Conference. The defensive tackle was the team's most valuable player in 1975 and '76.

At Brenham, he played both offense and defense. The Cubs went 26-2 in 1971-72, losing each year in the state semifinals.

"How sad," Lloyd Wassermann, who was Whitley's coach at Brenham, said Monday. "He was a good student and a leader on and off the field. He had tremendous character. This is really a shock."

Wassermann said Whitley's mere presence on the field helped the whole team.

Dunk shot



Minnesota Timberwolves' rookie Christian Laettner scores on a dunk in the first half of an NBA exhibition game Monday against the Washington Bullets. Laettner scored 13 points in the Timberwolves' 114-105 victory.

Merrill has seen it all in umpiring career

By JOHNNY GREEN Texarkana Gazette

HOOKS, Texas (AP) - The good, the bad, the ugly. Durwood Merrill has seen it all in 16 years of major league umpiring.

In a career spanning parts of three decades, Merrill has befriended many of baseball's elite, battled players and managers alike, and watched our National Pastime change over the years to the point of becoming today a business rather than a sport.

Among Merrill's first-hand experiences include witnessing Reggie Jackson's 500th home run, Don Sutton's 300th victory and Nolan Ryan's sixth no-hitter at Oakland in 1990, and working home plate during Jack Morris' no-hitter against the White Sox on national TV in 1984.

But no single act impressed Merrill more than George Brett's four-hit effort against the Angels last month that put the future Kansas City Royals Hall of Famer over 3,000 hits in his career.

"That was probably the biggest thrill I've ever had in my career," Merrill said. "It was the third game of the series and George didn't play in the first two because he couldn't lift his shoulder. He came in our dressing room before the game and I asked him if he was going to play."

"He told me he had flown 25 people in from Kansas City for the series and when he didn't play the first night, they all went across the street to a bar and watched the Chiefs play on television. Then they stayed in their hotel rooms the next night.

"He said they were in the ballpark that night and he couldn't even hit the ball off a tee. But he got four straight singles and when he got to first base, he saluted me."

Of all the players who have crossed his path, Merrill feels closest to Brett and Jackson. "I guess George and Reggie are my favorites," he said. "They're so professional and they're such good players. Tommy John also used to hang out around our dressing rooms. They're friendly with us, but they know they're not going to get any breaks from us when the game starts. And they don't expect it."

Nothing has changed more in baseball over the years than salaries — both for umpires and players. When Merrill broke in in 1977, he drew a base salary of \$15,500, and he recalled an incident that pointed out just how underpaid he was.

"We were in Yankee Stadium late in the season and I had Jim Palmer against Catfish Hunter," he said. "Before the game I was just staring at my locker when I overheard my crew chief, Marty Springstead, talking to Dick Butler, our supervisor of umpires. Marty said 'Now, Dick isn't that something. Here it is a critical, critical game, and we've got basically a rookie umpire that's going to work it and this poor guy's got to do it for \$15,500.'"

Merrill got through that game without incident, but over the next few years he would have his share of run-ins with Baltimore's Earl Weaver and the Yankees' Billy Martin, the two toughest managers he's seen in his career. The toughest? No contest — Martin.

"Earl would come out at a you and he might even snipe you in the

newspapers," Merrill said, "but he wasn't vicious. But Billy Martin would never, ever forget. If he thought you messed up in 1977 and it was 1981, he remembered. He was the kind of guy that if before a game somebody told him the umpire's mother was dying, but could be saved by surgery if she had \$50,000, he would send a check over to him (the umpire). There's no doubt in my mind that he would do that."

"But, if a call went against Billy in the ninth inning of the game, he would be the first one up on the dugout steps hollering 'I hope she dies.' That's Billy Martin. He was a man who wanted you to cheat for him and couldn't believe you wouldn't."

As far as baseball's future, Merrill sees more changes. "In fact, I think there will be more changes in the next five years than ever before," he said. "I think within five years there will be major league umpires, not American or National League, and games will be regionalized. Let's take where I live (Hooks, Texas). I could go to Dallas, Kansas City, Chicago, St. Louis, Atlanta and Miami. I could work two months and never have to go to Seattle, Los Angeles or New York. The money they would save in air travel would be tremendous."

Merrill also sees a different playoff format in the future. "I think you will see an NBA or NHL-type playoff where probably the first four teams in each division will make the playoffs," he said. "They say they are going to have to raise more revenue for salaries and this will create fan interest. That's one reason they (the owners) wanted (former commissioner) Fay Vincent out of there

because he was so traditional. I believe this will happen before I retire."

There are rumors a lockout of players next spring while the owners and players' union hammer out a basic agreement, but Merrill doesn't think it will happen. "There are several reasons why I don't think there will be a lockout," he said. "It's the last year of the (CBS) TV contract and it's the last big money from TV for the owners. I also think when they let Vincent go, it put a bad taste in people's mouths and the owners will try to stay away from alienating fans even more. I don't think they can see any way a lockout would be beneficial. Then there's Miami and Colorado. Here they've got all the expense and overhead and they don't have anything coming in. A lockout will kill them."

And the eventual solution? "I see the (player) salaries falling," Merrill said. "I think you'll see a (Wade) Boggs, a (Ricky) Henderson, a (Ruben) Sierra or a (Jose) Canseco — and I just use them as examples — being released. Then they go to the highest bidders, who get them for less than what they were offered by their original teams. Now that's not collusion. They (the owners) got whipped on collusion. I think those are going to be some of the changes."

Merrill hopes to be around to see those changes. "Right now I'm going to shoot for four more years, then take a long, hard look at it," he said. "It seems like at the end of the year I feel like I never want to see it again, but in January when the sun comes out and the old bones get to feeling pretty good, you get to wanting to go south again."

Eagles' Cunningham hopes to pull out of mini-slump against Cowboys

By RALPH BERNSTEIN AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Randall Cunningham has discovered that coming back after a year's idleness is more difficult than he expected.

The quarterback is in a mini-slump. As a result, the Philadelphia Eagles have scored just 36 points in the last three games, losing to Kansas City and Washington and edging Phoenix 7-3 Sunday. In their first four games the Eagles scored 107.

In the Phoenix game, Cunningham completed just 9 of 20 passes for 121 yards and was sacked five times. The Eagles won with defense,

including a goal-line stand in which they stopped the Cardinals six times inside the 1-yard line.

Eagles coach Rich Kotite on Monday said, "We're inconsistent at this point with our passing game."

That could be very damaging with a game against the Cowboys coming up Sunday in Dallas. The Cowboys are 6-1 and lead the NFC East over the Eagles and Redskins, both 5-2.

What's wrong with Cunningham? In the first four games he completed 71 percent of his passes and the Eagles were unbeaten. He looked like he had completely recovered from the knee surgery that sidelined him for all but one period of last season.

"He still has some timing to get back," Kotite said. "A year off is a year off, especially under the circumstances. Randall agrees. He feels he has to keep doing the fundamentals."

"Things will work out because he understands that he's really not quite the same. He might be pressing a little bit."

Kotite adamantly rejected any suggestion that the team might benefit from replacing Cunningham when he performs poorly.

"The more he plays the more he sees, the more he becomes an anticipatory thrower," he said.

Kotite said he critiqued the offense in Sunday's game and Cunningham

recognized some of his shortcomings.

"At one point he said, 'I held the ball too long,' which was true. But a lot of guys who aren't half as tough as him bail out," the coach said.

"I still believe he has a long way to go to get back that timing and rhythm and instinct. And the only way he's going to get it back is working, playing. That's the only way he can do it."

Cunningham knows he can improve.

"I think I definitely can play better," Cunningham said. "I just have to concentrate more. I made a couple of mistakes yesterday."

He talked about trying to

"squeeze" a pass to Fred Barnett, who was double covered.

"Calvin (Williams) was open. And I took a stupid sack that put us out of field goal range. It's something I learned from watching the films. I grow from it. I've got to play better."

Cunningham said the first three weeks of the season he was in a groove.

"I thought, wow! That's how things are going to be. I took for granted that's how things were going to be," he said.

The quarterback said he will not dwell on his last three games.

"I got to be myself. Rather than dropping back and looking and trying

to run, I've got to drop back and throw the ball on time. That's the main thing," he said.

Cunningham also tossed aside a question on how much he missed tight end Keith Jackson, who became a free agent and signed with Miami. Jackson was Cunningham's favorite receiver for three years.

"Keith Jackson is not here. And the guys injured are not here. You still have to go out on the field and perform," he said. "If we don't it's our fault, not the guys who aren't here."

Cunningham looked ahead to the game Sunday against Dallas, who the Eagles beat 31-7 on a Monday night three weeks ago.

Pampa bowling roundup

Table with 3 columns: Team, Won, Lost. Includes Harvester Men's League and Lone Star Women's League.

High scratch series: Darrell Danner 617; High handicap series: Lonnie Loter 682; High handicap game: Bill Hammer 270.

Table with 3 columns: Team, Won, Lost. Includes Dorman's Tire, Peggy's Place, Mary's Caramics, etc.

High scratch series: Patti Carpenter 219; High handicap series: Pam Quarles 729; High handicap game: Patti Carpenter 263.

Table with 3 columns: Team, Won, Lost. Includes Pan Petroleum, R2D2, Go Navy, etc.

High scratch series: Pam Quarles 618; High handicap series: Russell Eakin 719; High handicap game: Russell Eakin 773; High handicap game: 287.

Table with 3 columns: Team, Won, Lost. Includes Schiffman Machine, R.L. Gordy Trucking, etc.

High scratch series: Kim Davis 518; High handicap series: Elizabeth Johnson 189; High handicap game: Elizabeth Johnson 227.

Steelers use defense to gain first-place tie with Oilers

By ALAN ROBINSON AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) - The Pittsburgh Penguins won their second straight Stanley Cup, then the Pirates won their third straight NL East title. Now, it's nearly November, and the Steelers are ... tied for first place?

And these new-look, new-generation Steelers — just like the Hall of Fame talent-loaded Steelers of the '70s — are doing it with defense.

The Steelers, 5-2 and tied with Houston for the AFC Central lead, are playing the kind of defense they haven't played since the days of the Steel Curtain.

The black-and-blue division used to be the NFL Central. Now it's the teams that have most recently played the Steelers — just ask the Kansas City Chiefs, who were literally beaten up by Pittsburgh 27-3 Sunday night.

"I remember when people were saying the Pittsburgh Steelers wouldn't win two games," nose tackle Garry Howe said. "But when we play now, the Pittsburgh Steelers expect to win."

Even if nobody else does.

They were 13 1/2-point underdogs for their season opener in Houston but won. They were 8 1/2-point underdogs Sunday night in Kansas City but won. They're off to their best start since they were 9-2 in 1983, and they get to finish the season by playing six of their last nine in Pittsburgh.

With no big-name talents on offense — how many people considered Barry Foster a Pro Bowl-caliber back before the season started? — and with a defense that under-achieved in 1991, the Steelers were considered the longest of shots just to make the playoffs.

But nobody — not even new coach Bill Cowher and defensive coordinator Don Capers — could have expected this.

Through seven games, the Steelers have allowed just 77 points, tying them with Philadelphia for the NFL low. They've given up just three points in their last two games, beating Cincinnati 20-0 last Monday and holding Kansas City to a field goal.

In those two games over a seven-day span, they permitted just 297 total yards — 118 to Cincinnati, 179 to Kansas City — and just 128 net yards passing. Cincinnati's Boomer

Esiason, who had a 409-yard game against them three years ago, threw for only 86 yards. The Chiefs' Dave Krieg was only 9 of 27 for 82 yards and was intercepted three times.

The Steelers, who've made the playoffs only once since 1984, haven't played this kind of dominating, run-stuffing, in-your-face defense since the Steel Curtain had three straight shutouts and five overall in 1976.

Cowher, the Chiefs' defensive coordinator the last three seasons, obviously wanted to win badly Sunday, against his old team and his old boss, Marty Schottenheimer. His defense wanted it even more, and they celebrated afterwards by taunting the Chiefs' fans with their own tomahawk chop and by dousing Cowher with Gatorade.

"We knew he'd be fired up, coming back to Kansas City," rookie safety Darren Perry said. "He just had that look in his eye. Deep down inside, he wanted this one really bad."

What's happening to the Steelers has been good for the psyche of an entire city. Pittsburgh sports fans were in a state of near depression after Atlanta's ninth-inning come-

back in Game 7 of the NL playoffs; so many called talk shows to say they barely slept the night of that loss that one TV station brought in a sports psychologist to offer counseling.

He couldn't have prescribed anything better than a 7-0-2 season-opening run by the Penguins and the Steelers' best start in nearly a decade.

The Steelers' transformation from the NFL's sixth-worst defense last year to one of the best in 1992 hasn't just been the new system that Cowher and Capers have installed and the attitude and enthusiasm they've instilled.

Pittsburgh had the NFL's top-rated pass defense two years ago, only to slip to 26th overall among the 28 NFL teams last season; the talent was there, but the confidence wasn't.

Now, the Steelers don't just think they can win, they think they will win. It's made a huge difference in a franchise that has won two playoff games in the 13 years since the Steelers last won the Super Bowl.

"I'm excited about what's happening and I hope the fans are, too," Cowher said.

Bonds, McGwire, Sierra join baseball's free agency roster

By RONALD BLUM AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Barry Bonds, Mark McGwire and Ruben Sierra became free agents Monday, and Toronto cleared the way for World Series hero Dave Winfield to join them as baseball's business season began.

Greg Maddux, Doug Drabek, Wade Boggs, Benito Santiago, John Smiley and Chris Bosio were among the 26 players to file for free agency on the first possible day of a 15-day window. There are 166 players potentially eligible to file by the Nov. 8 deadline.

Only 90 minutes after a triumphant parade through the streets of Toronto and rally inside the SkyDome, the Blue Jays said they wouldn't offer salary arbitration to Winfield and Candy Maldonado and declined to exercise 1993 options on pitchers Dave Stieb and Mark Eichhorn. That allows them to file for free agency, an early indication that teams will take a more bottom-

line approach to negotiations this winter.

"It's a tough thing to do an hour-and-a-half after celebrating with 50,000 people," Blue Jays general manager Pat Gillick said. "It's not very pleasant, I'll tell you."

Toronto wants its players back, but at lower prices. Winfield, following a 26-homer, 108-RBI season, could have possibly doubled his \$2.3 million salary in arbitration, and Maldonado, after hitting 20 homers, could have gotten a large raise from his income of \$1,375,000.

"We'll have some discussions," Winfield said after the parade.

The Blue Jays decided to pay Eichhorn a \$150,000 buyout rather than a \$2 million salary next year, and gave the injured Stieb a \$1 million buyout rather than a \$3.5 million salary.

Gillick said he'd like to invite Stieb to spring training as a non-roster player, but suggested the 14-year Toron-

to veteran look elsewhere.

Gillick would like to re-sign the others.

"Usually our style is to do things face to face," Gillick said. "Certainly the timing isn't very good, but we felt with the opportunity to do things in person, it's better than doing it over the phone."

Players who become free agents don't have to be protected in the Nov. 17 expansion draft. Few signings are expected until after the draft.

"We wanted to protect our organization down below with the 15 people, and we think we can re-sign him," Gillick said of Winfield. Bonds, who is unlikely to re-sign with Pittsburgh, put his house in Coraopolis, Pa., up for sale on Monday.

Bills, would re-sign with Pittsburgh.

"Barry put his house up for sale. That should answer that," Gilbert said. "Why would Pittsburgh wait all this time if Pittsburgh had an interest in signing him?"

Sierra may wind up re-signing with Oakland, but he filed for free agency anyway.

His agent, Bob Woolf, has been in contact with Athletics general manager Sandy Alderson.

"We'll continue to talk," Woolf said.

Several teams didn't wait until Thursday's deadline to offer salary arbitration to 35 potential free agents, players covered by the restriction against repeat free agency within five years. Among the players whom teams declined to arbitrate with were Willie Randolph, Kevin Bass and Barry Jones of the New York Mets and Edwin Nunez of Texas. In addition, Baltimore said it would not exercise its \$600,000 option on pitcher Mike Flanagan.

Stieb gets golden handshake

TORONTO (AP) - Dave Stieb got the golden handshake Monday.

It included a thank you and a lovely parting gift in the form of a \$1 million buyout of his Toronto Blue Jays contract.

What the Jays wouldn't give Stieb was the \$3.5 million they would have had to pay for picking up the option on his contract for the 1993 season.

Stieb, a seven-time All-Star and a mainstay of the Blue Jays pitching staff since 1979, was angry at the news.

"I'm gone; they bought me out," he said after the Blue Jays celebrated in grand style their first World Series championship. "I'll file for free agency. 'Basically, I've enjoyed a productive and lucrative career here. I have a lot of feelings, but I'm appreciative of the organization and the fans for all they've done for me.' Stieb's agent Bob LaMont

talked on a telephone conference call with Stieb, Blue Jays vice president Pat Gillick and team president Paul Beeston shortly after Monday's World Series victory rally at the SkyDome.

"It was a tough situation, but I'm not surprised and neither was David," said LaMont. "They weren't ready to go for the \$3.5 million option, and that was obvious to us some time ago."

"It was a sad but genuine talk. I have a very close relationship with David, but also with the Jays. In a way, it's like losing a child."

The Jays also exercised the option of not picking up the contract of Mark Eichhorn, while Gillick also told Dave Winfield and Candy Maldonado they would not be offered salary arbitration. The player moves took place just after Toronto and a big slice of Canada threw a party for its beloved Blue Jays.

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Bush mixing attacks on Clinton with policy prescriptions

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press Writer

President Bush is beginning to flesh out his campaign message of "economic renewal" with specific ideas for implementing his plan, a move his aides say is designed to persuade voters one week from Election Day that Bush can deliver.

Bush, with campaign overseer James A. Baker III in tow, continued his non-stop dash to the finish line.

Democratic challenger Bill Clinton, still leading in the national polls, ended his eighth and final bus tour in Georgia then was heading to Florida to campaign for that key battleground state — and stay out of the duel between the Republican camp and independent Ross Perot.

Perot had no public events scheduled after his remarkable news conference Monday in which he leveled

unsubstantiated accusations of dirty tricks by the GOP and attacked the media.

In two new tracking polls, Clinton's lead over Bush widened slightly to 11 points.

Clinton led 44-33 in ABC's poll of likely voters and 42-31 in the Cable News Network-USA Today poll. In ABC's poll, Ross Perot rose two points to 19 percent. That poll was conducted from Friday to Sunday, before his first campaign rallies on Sunday. Perot was also at 19 percent in the CNN-USA Today poll, down one point.

Despite numbers that were glum for the Republicans, Vice President Dan Quayle was on television early today with some optimistic forecasts. "We have a lock on Texas ... and Florida, too," he said on CBS' "This Morning."

Bush's travels today were taking

him through three states where Clinton is ahead in the polls. Kentucky, with eight electoral votes, and Ohio, with 21, were in Bush's column in 1988. The Democrats took Iowa, with seven electoral votes, last time.

The president used a friendly audience of hardware dealers in Denver on Monday to attempt for the first time to spell out how he would put his economic agenda into practice, and to sharpen the focus on philosophical differences with Clinton.

"With each program Governor Clinton puts forth, you see a philosophy where bureaucrats in Washington or some entrenched members of Congress carve out the exact same programs to try and solve problems facing people in Denver and Dallas or Dover or Delaware," Bush said.

"And I believe Americans under-



President Bush talks with television personality David Frost before taping an interview in Des Moines, Iowa, Monday evening.

stand that these old liberal solutions are not right for our new postwar era. It does not make sense that hardware store owners will somehow get richer by giving more of your money to the IRS."

Bush said he would take these steps to get his economic plan into action after Nov. 3:

—Create a "steering group" of members of Congress to make sure his legislative proposals for the economy don't get bogged down in partisan bickering.

—Meet with each new member of Congress before the legislative body convenes in January. He said there would be at least 100 new members in the coming session of Congress, and that this would smooth the way for his proposals.

—Assemble a "defense conversion council" to plan ways of converting military production lines to civilian uses and to retrain military

personnel. To pay for this he said he would create a "Fund for Future Generations" to provide seed money to promote joint ventures between defense and civilian companies "to use the knowledge we've gained from building weapons to build a stronger economy."

—Make sure that \$150 billion in new federal funds for highways "gets to the states just as soon as possible and get those steamrollers moving quickly."

Torie Clarke, Bush campaign press secretary, said voters aren't satisfied with broad statements about resolving the nation's economic troubles.

"You have to tell them exactly how you're going to get it done," she said.

Later, in Albuquerque, N.M., Bush returned to the theme that has dominated his recent campaign speeches: Clinton can't be trusted

and won't win despite what the polls say.

"Ignore the pundits, annoy the media, let the people decide who's going to win this election," Bush shouted as an enormous pink, inflated pig floated overhead. "The reason I'll win this election is I've tried very hard to keep the public trust."

Clarke said Bush would continue to mix policy addresses with hard-hitting attacks on Clinton's record as Arkansas' governor and his character.

Even while he was saying he should be elected on the basis of his economic proposals, the president suggested in Denver that he is the more trustworthy of the candidates.

"In the final analysis it is my view that this election will be decided on character and trust," he said. "Character matters. Not just because of the claims you make, but the crises that you never foresee."



Gov. Bill Clinton, left, talks with children at Robinson's Restaurant in Greensboro, N.C., Monday during his bus tour of the state.

Perot slings some mud, but keeps television campaign clean

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DALLAS (AP) — Ross Perot turned his back on his issues-oriented approach to campaigning, spinning a web of accusations of Republican dirty tricks that he said drove him from the race last summer.

The clean-cut part of his campaign remained on the airwaves, where he discussed his family life and ideas for running business.

Perot surprised reporters by taking over his aides' daily news briefing Monday to "get a few things straight" about why he ended his campaign in July.

The Dallas billionaire repeated suspicions that GOP campaign operatives had planned to embarrass his daughter with a fake photo and later schemed to tap telephone lines used by his computers.

Perot said he withdrew from the race after three sources, whom he declined to name, separately informed him of the plan to disrupt his daughter Carolyn's wedding in August.

"I decided it was a risk I should not take, could not take, did not have to take," Perot said. "I adore her. And I would not risk ruining one of the most important days of her life, and I didn't."

Perot also charged that Republi-

can operatives tried to wiretap his Dallas office. But an FBI "sting" operation against Texas Bush-Quayle chairman Jim Oberwetter turned up nothing. Oberwetter says he sent packing the undercover agent who offered to sell him, for \$2,500, a purported audio tape and documents from Perot's office.

Oberwetter said he told President Bush about that incident, and Bush assured him he would review the FBI's conduct after the election.

FBI Director William Sessions said the wiretap allegation "was investigated and no evidence of criminality was found."

Still, Perot repeated the wiretapping allegation Monday, claiming he had GOP sources he could not name publicly.

His statements drew sharp denials and bemusement from the Republicans.

"It would seem that if there was anything to this, they would provide at least some tiny bit of evidence to support what are very, very serious charges," White House chief of staff James A. Baker III said of the allegations about Carolyn Perot's wedding.

"It's so crazy that he seems to have latched on to this theory, much like other people latch on to UFO theories, and he seems to believe it," said Bush spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

Democrat Bill Clinton said he didn't know what to make of the Perot-Bush exchange but said he wanted to win back Perot supporters who may have strayed from the Democratic ticket.

"You don't interrupt your opponent when he's making a fool of himself," said Clinton campaign strategist Paul Begala.

But Perot's running mate, retired Vice Adm. James Stockdale, defended him.

"This was not a last-minute cock-and-bull story. Ross Perot is the most honest man I have ever dealt with," Stockdale said in Albuquerque, N.M.

Perot, who throughout the campaign has maintained that character questions, even the candidate's past records, were irrelevant, said he hoped that by discussing his suspicions they would quickly be laid to rest. Even as he said he wanted to change the subject at the briefing, he continued to bring it up.

In one of several scornful remarks to reporters, Perot said: "I'm sure you'll want to play with this all week, but I'm not going to fool with it any more."

Perot said he tried at the time to get denials from White House offi-



Ross Perot speaks on the issue of jobs and the economy in this photo taken off television Monday.

cialists but got none. He said he accepted their denials.

On Monday night, Perot telecast a new half-hour campaign commercial in which he dispensed advice for running a business. The ad, which

was finished just a few hours before being broadcast, emphasized Perot's status as a non-politician but stayed away from his dirty-tricks suspicions.

Perot also launched a new series

of 30- and 60-second commercials in which he personally delivers arguments against the "wasted vote" notion that often vexes long-shot candidates.

Aides said they hoped complete a travel schedule for the last week of the campaign today.

"I need to stay close to people and reality," Perot said.

But analysts said Perot's verbal tussle with Republicans may reverse the momentum he built in the week since the last presidential debate. His support climbed ranged from the high teens to the low 20s in several recent independent polls.

"We noticed in weekend polling the climb of (Perot's) favorables stopped," said Frank Newport, editor in chief of the Gallup poll. "He resurrected his image through the debates, but even before the latest flaps he was leveling off to some degree."

Perot's supporters said they were undaunted.

"I thought uh-oh, here it comes, but nothing," said Pat Morrow, a Perot volunteer in Upland, Calif. "People are waiting to see what happens next. They're not saying anything about it really. I take that as a very good sign."

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