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(Staff photo by Cheryl Berzanek)

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales addresses a town hall meeting at the Pampa Community Building this morning.

## Morales: Reform criminal justice

By JOHN McMILLAN  
Staff Writer

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales urges expansion of the state's prison system as a means of stopping the release of inmates before their full sentence has expired.

Because of overcrowding in state prisons, inmates in state prisons are often released prematurely, Morales maintained during a speech in Pampa today.

Morales, who began as attorney general in January 1991, said he supports use of military installations in the state and temporary tents at work camps as a means of housing inmates.

Morales spoke for an hour to nearly 50 people in the M.K. Brown room of the Pampa Community Center.

Pampa is the third city on the attorney general's planned 25- to 30-city tour of the state on behalf of his Attorney General's Criminal Justice Reform Package. Morales visited Big Spring and Brownwood on Tuesday, and his tour, to be con-

ducted intermittently, is expected to last through mid-April.

Morales, 34, criticized the inmates' lawyers who maintain that military installations or tents would violate the U.S. Constitution's prohibition on cruel and unusual punishment for prisoners.

"I am getting more and more frustrated by all the concern I'm hearing about the rights of criminals," Morales said.

"If you commit a rape or robbery or murder, I think you forfeit a good portion of your (constitutional) rights," Morales said.

The attorney general said he believes inmates in state prisons should be working while serving their sentence and that the amount they earn should be placed in an inmate trust fund that serves as financial restitution for victims of their crimes.

Morales said the number of inmate beds in the state prisons of Texas has increased from 30,000 when he began office in 1991 to 50,000-55,000. An additional 20,000 beds in the state prisons of

Texas are under construction, he said.

Although some Texans have opposed new prison construction on the grounds that it is expensive, Morales said, the expense of such construction is minimal when compared with the cost to society from releasing prisoners before their sentence has expired. Those released from prison often commit dozens of additional crimes before they are arrested again, he said.

The leading law enforcement official in the state said he opposes providing inmates in state prisons with anything beyond the minimal amount needed to comply with the federal Constitution.

"I've read the Constitution hundreds of times, and I don't see anything in there about color TV or gymnasium (facilities)."

Asked whether the criminal justice reform proposals advocated by Morales would enhance rehabilitation of state prison inmates, Morales said the work requirement he favors can instill a work ethic in prisoners.

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## Clinton's economic plan hits turbulence

WASHINGTON (AP) — After weeks of preparation, President Clinton presents Congress tonight with a stern economic package raising taxes on all American households earning more than \$30,000. White House aides braced for an onslaught of lobbying against the package.

And, while Clinton is stressing the deficit-reduction aspects of the plan, the package will still leave in place a budget shortfall of over \$200 billion after four years, officials said today.

Clinton, who made the economy the centerpiece of his campaign, is proposing a two-part package — a \$31 billion stimulus plan to boost the economy in the short run and a far-reaching, four-year \$500 billion package of tax increases and spending cuts.

It was the most important speech on the economy by a president since Ronald Reagan's February 1981 speech in which he laid out a package of tax cuts and defense spending increases.

Clinton has said his package will unravel 12 years of GOP-guided economics. He unveils the plan in a nationally televised address to Congress at 9 p.m. EST.

But advance word of the tax increases sent the stock market reel-

ing and drew heavy Republican criticism. Today, White House aides sought to play down the impact of Clinton's proposed new energy tax — a major component of the plan — on middle-class taxpayers while seeking to make peace with Republicans.

"There's been a lot of talk about how much the middle class will pay. They will pay virtually nothing," Deputy Treasury Secretary Roger Altman said today in an interview with *The Associated Press*.

The administration acknowledged Tuesday that all American households making more than \$30,000 a year would feel a pinch.

But Altman said the proposed energy tax, expected to be the primary levy on the middle class, could cost as little as \$10 a month for people earning less than \$75,000 a year.

Clinton was to meet with Republican as well as Democratic leaders today before the speech and he will make a special appeal for GOP help, said Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers.

"There will be a serious effort by this administration to work with both Democratic and Republican leaders," Myers said. "Before Republicans start taking apart (the plan) ... he's going to ask them to look at the total package."

Clinton also planned to make a

courtesy call today to Ross Perot, the Texas billionaire who focused national attention on deficit problems in his independent presidential race, Myers said. She said many of the concerns Perot raised during the campaign are addressed in Clinton's plan.

White House Budget Director Leon Panetta, interviewed on NBC's "Today" Show, said the budget included \$77 billion in cuts from mandatory benefit programs, called "entitlements."

"So I guess I would ask everybody to hold their powder, look at the entire package, because I think it is not only comprehensive, but it's fair, it's honest and it's bold," Panetta said.

He didn't say it, but about \$55 billion of that is expected to come from cuts in Medicare.

The plan would cut \$140 billion from the projected deficit in fiscal 1997, leaving a \$206.5 billion shortfall that year, an administration official said today, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The figure represents a slight retreat from the \$145 billion deficit-reduction goal Clinton had set for 1997 in recent weeks. During his campaign, Clinton pledged to halve that year's red ink.

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## Bullock proposes big budget bucks

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock today said that \$2.2 billion more could be put into education, health care, social services and protecting Texans from crime — without increasing taxes.

His plan uses government efficiency measures and bookkeeping transactions pointed out by state Comptroller John Sharp, Gov. Ann Richards and Senate staff, according to a statement from his office.

"Make no mistake about it. This is not a cure-all. At best, it is a prescription for relieving some of the pain," Bullock said.

He said most of the money would come from bookkeeping measures. However, he added, "It is better to shuffle than to see the people of Texas suffer."

State leaders have said there isn't support for a tax increase in this legislative session. But state agencies have said they will need several billion dollars more over the next two years than Texas

government is expected to take in.

An earlier balanced state budget proposal from the Legislative Budget Board staff would give health and human services a \$2.4 billion increase over the next two years, according to Bullock's statement. That included a reduction in the average monthly grant under Aid to Families with Dependent Children from \$57 to \$45.

Bullock's plan would funnel \$1.4 billion more in state money to health and human services, and the AFDC grant would remain at \$57, Bullock's staff said.

Bullock's plan also figures on \$352 million more for public education than the budget board proposal, for a total of more than \$650 million.

His proposal also would restore \$102 million for substance abuse treatment in nine prisons scheduled to open over the next two years.

It would add more than \$400 million for higher education, employee health insurance, and court fines or

payments to counties whose jails are crowded because they hold inmates awaiting transfer to state prison.

Among the revenue proposals are delaying payments on large interfund transfers, accelerated tax collections recommended by Sharp and \$236 million in health care cost containment measures recommended by Richards.

One proposal would delay a school aid payment to wealthy school districts and some poor ones from Aug. 25, 1994 to Sept. 1, 1995. That would push the obligation into the following two-year budget cycle, since state fiscal years begin Sept. 1.

Other proposals include charging a \$50 fee to reinstate suspended drivers' licenses; moving some mentally ill patients from state hospitals to private psychiatric nursing homes, eliminating more than 1,200 jobs; require prison employees to pay \$1 for meals, rather than getting them free; and transfer taxes paid under protest from a suspense fund to the general revenue fund.

## Panhandle Day a success

By JOHN McMILLAN  
Staff Writer

Panhandle Day in Austin was so successful that the president of the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce wants another one next year.

The Chamber official, Jimmy Wilkerson, cited the "impact on legislators" in expressing tentative support for participating in another Panhandle Day in 1994.

Twelve Pampa residents were among the approximately 200 Panhandle residents who visited Austin on Tuesday to lobby state lawmakers on behalf of this region. Among the issues that the group discussed with state officials were product liability, the group's request for expansion of trucking services in the Panhandle, and health care.

The Panhandle Day apparently was the first such day in Austin in the state's history.

"We felt like it went real well," Wilkerson noted. "We got good reports from the legislators down there that we were calling on. The overall atmosphere that seemed to prevail all day was high, and we felt

that it was really a good and profitable day for the people of the Panhandle — and for the people of Texas, actually."

Seven of the delegates from Pampa visited legislators, and five of the delegates visited state departments and commissions, including the Texas Water Quality Commission, the state Department of Commerce tourism division, and the state Railroad Commission, Wilkerson said.

"I thought it was a real good representation from Pampa."

In addition to Wilkerson, the 11 Pampa delegates scheduled to visit Austin were Bill Hallerberg, Larry Orman, Jerry Moore, Benny Kirksey, Judy Warner, Bill Hildebrandt, Seleta Chance, Dr. Dawson Orr, Virginia DeWitt, Jerry Wilson and Nanette Moore.

The group from the Panhandle also hosted Gov. Ann Richards for a luncheon in Austin, and Wilkerson said she gave an "excellent" speech that discussed the educational finance legislation that was passed by the state Legislature. Richards supports the legislation and reportedly urged the Panhandle group to vote for it in the statewide election on May 1.

Wow!



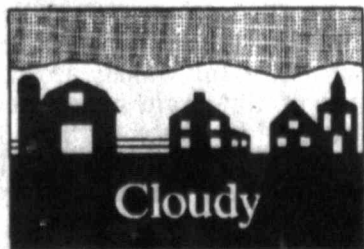
(Staff photo by Cheryl Berzanek)

Felipe Soria, left, examines a dinosaur tooth brought to Baker Elementary on Tuesday by Dr. Richard Dunham. Classmate Diana Lozano eyes Felipe in anticipation of her turn to be the examiner. Dunham spoke to the students about good oral hygiene.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**CARRUTH**, Virginia Ellen — 2 p.m., First Christian Church.  
**FORD**, Otis R. — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Wheeler.

## Obituaries

**OTIS R. FORD**  
**WHEELER** — Otis R. Ford, 86, died Monday, Feb. 15, 1993. Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. M.B. Smith of Pampa and Rev. Don Whetsell, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in McLean, officiating. Burial will be at Wheeler Cemetery by Wright-Funeral Home.

Mr. Ford was born in Indian Territory and was a longtime resident of Wheeler. He married Ruby May in 1927; she preceded him in death in 1982. In 1983, he married Florence Cofer at Wheeler. Mr. Ford was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Florence of McLean; a son, K.D. Ford of Wheeler; two daughters, Georgia Smith and Glenda Atwood, both of Wheeler; a brother, W.J. Ford of Schulenburg; 12 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Roy Ford, in 1977.

The family requests memorials be made to the Wheeler Cemetery Association, the First Baptist Church or a favorite charity.

### DAVID LYNN GALLEGLY

**NEW YORK CITY** — David Lynn Gallegly, 42, a former White Deer, Texas, resident, died Monday, Feb. 15, 1993, in New York City, following a lengthy illness. Memorial services are set for 6 p.m. today at the First Baptist Church of White Deer, Texas.

Mr. Gallegly was born on June 2, 1950.

Survivors include his mother, Birtie Gallegly of White Deer; two sisters, Beth Cagle of Canyon, Texas, and Marie Austin of Fort Worth, Texas; six nieces and nephews; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Cohen Gallegly.

The family requests memorials be made to a favorite charity.

### DORSEY OSTIN GILMORE

**SHAMROCK** — Dorsey Ostin Gilmore, 84, died Monday, Feb. 15, 1993. Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. today at Wright Funeral Directors' Chapel. Rev. John Denton, pastor of the Eleventh Street Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in McLean at Hillcrest Cemetery.

Mr. Gilmore was born in Jackson, Miss. He was a longtime resident of Shamrock.

Survivors include his wife, Beulah; two daughters, Devena Phillips of Pampa and Dorothy Frost of Salt Lake City, Utah; three sons, Nathan Gilmore of Pampa, Truman Gilmore of Mississippi and Bobby Gilmore of Shamrock; 17 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

### BEN F. OGDEN

**Ben F. Ogden, 91, died Monday, Feb. 15, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Jim Mahon, interim pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery.**

Mr. Ogden was born Aug. 1, 1901, in Kemp Okla., which was then Indian Territory. He attended college at Southwestern Oklahoma College and the University of Oklahoma. He was active in education, serving as a high school principal at Duncan, Okla., Edmore, Okla., Bartlesville, Okla. and Ardmore, Okla. He married Emma Fountain on Dec. 21, 1924, in Marietta, Okla.; she preceded him in death on Jan. 9, 1970. He came to Pampa in 1948 from Clovis, N.M., and established Ogden & Son Tire Co. He had been with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. since 1944. After retiring in 1972, he moved to Oklahoma. While in Pampa, Mr. Ogden had been a member of the Pampa Kiwanis Club, past state president of the Texas Service Station Association and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, LeRoi Ogden of Pampa; a sister, Nell Wells of Denison; five grandchildren, Victor B. Ogden, Ronald Kent Ogden, Shane Ogden, Kelly Ogden and Vicki Lynn Ogden; and two great-granddaughters.

The family requests memorials be made to a favorite charity.

## Clarification

The Gray County Sheriff's Office utilizes three narcotics dogs in its operations, Sheriff Randy Stubblefield said Tuesday. The three dogs are privately owned by deputies Paul Sublett, David Wilk and Buck Williams. The three deputies pay for the maintenance and upkeep of their animals. A Tuesday story listed only one of the deputies regarding the drug-dog program. The newspaper regrets the error and any inconvenience it may have caused.

## Hospital

### CORONADO HOSPITAL

#### Admissions

Shelly Ann Atwood, Canadian; Laura Earline Ballard, White Deer; Samuel E. Bowers, Miami; Myrtle L. Crocker, Pampa; Oveda Forbau, Miami; Opal Jo McCathern, Pampa; Rufus Levi McCathern, Pampa; Walter Alton Mooney, Canadian; Flossie Maude North, Pampa; John Charles Odell Jr., Pampa; Lucille Anna Shafer, Pampa; Belva June Thacker, Lefors; Birdie M. Derrick (extended care), Pampa.

#### Birth

To Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bean of Miami, a baby boy.

#### Dismissals

Claud Durwood Cain, Lefors; Beatrice Suggs, Pampa; Cheryl Dee Weeden and baby boy, Pampa; Norma Juanita Whitley and baby girl, Pampa; Mary Evelyn Harlan (extended care), White Deer; Nelda Shaw (rehabilitation unit), Pampa.

### SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

#### Admission

Miro Pakan, Shamrock.

#### Dismissals

No dismissals were reported.

## Stocks

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

Wheat	3.13	
Milo	3.36	
Com.	4.00	

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

Ky. Cent. Life	31/4	up 1/2
Serco	41/8	dn 1/8
Occidental	19	up 1/8

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

Magellan	64.33	
Puritan	15.23	

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

Amoco	53 3/8	dn 1
Arco	115	dn 5/8
Cabot	40 3/8	NC
Cabot O&G	18	dn 1/8
Chevron	75 1/8	dn 1/8
Coca-Cola	40 3/4	up 1/8
Enron	52 7/8	dn 1/4
Halliburton	32 1/8	dn 3/8
HealthTrust Inc.	15 1/8	up 1/8
Ingersoll Rand	32 3/4	up 3/4
KNE	31 1/8	dn 1/2
Kerr McGee	35 3/4	dn 1/8
Limited	24 7/8	dn 1/2
Mapco	50 1/4	NC
Masius	6 7/8	dn 1/8
McDonald's	48 3/8	dn 3/8
Mobil	64 1/2	dn 3/8
New Atmos	24 1/4	dn 3/8
Parker & Parsley	16 1/2	up 1/4
Penney's	74 1/4	dn 1/2
Phillips	26 7/8	up 1/8
SLB	57 1/4	up 1/2
SPS	31 5/8	NC
Tenneco	42 7/8	dn 5/8
Texasco	60 5/8	dn 1/8
Wal-Mart	62	dn 1/2
New York Gold	330.30	
Silver	3.65	
West Texas Crude	19.53	

## Police report

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

### TUESDAY, Feb. 16

Van Johnson, 831 S. Barnes, reported a theft.  
 Marsha Anne Shaw, 313 S. Anne, reported a burglary.

#### Arrest

### TUESDAY, Feb. 16

James Kirk Williams, 17, 501 N. Ward, was arrested on a charge of burglary of a habitation. He was transferred to Gray County Jail.

## Calendar of events

### PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB

Pampa Bridge Club meets at 10 a.m. Thursday in Room 11 at Clarendon College, Pampa Center. To arrange for a partner, call Marquette Ward at 669-7543.

### IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health Immunization Clinic will be offering vaccines that give protection against polio, diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw), pertussis (whooping cough), measles, rubella and mumps. The clinic is located in the Texas Department of Health office, 408 Kingsmill, Suite 100, and will be open Thursday, 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-7 p.m. The fee is based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

### QUILT GUILD

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild plans to meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the M.K. Brown Room of the Chamber of Commerce Building. For information call 669-9829.

## Sheriff's Office

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

#### Arrests

### TUESDAY, Feb. 16

Julie Kaye Corbin, 30, 1432 Hamilton, was arrested on a charge of issuance of a worthless check. She was released on bond.  
 Christopher Darwyn Turlington, 19, 420 Pitts, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation.

## Fires

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

## Accidents

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

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## Morales

"If we can instill that in them, I think it really is going to be helpful to them when they go out and try to get a job."

Morales urged listeners in Pampa to write their state lawmakers in support of his legislative package, which is designed to strengthen the state's criminal justice system. Among the problems that his proposed legislation is designed to alleviate or solve are prolonged court appeals over a period of several years by prisoners on death row; the releasing of prisoners on parole after they served only a fraction of the period of the prison sentence; drug-money "laundering"; overcrowding in state prisons; inadequate restitution by prisoners to victims of a crime; and insufficient death benefits that the state pays to survivors of law officers killed while on duty.

Morales told his audience that he regards himself as a "lobbyist for law enforcement" and victims of crimes.

Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy, who introduced Morales, praised Morales' legislative proposals, saying, "This is a breath of fresh air. It is one of the most encouraging things that I have seen in 14 years (as county judge) to have a man who is dedicated to upgrading our criminal justice system."

During his appearance before Pampa residents, Morales:

- Advocated a limit of a convicted criminal sentenced to a death penalty to no more than one opportunity to appeal that sentence through state courts and only one opportunity to appeal the sentence through federal courts.

Currently, there is no limit on the number of times that a death row inmate in Texas can appeal to the courts. "They're using every trick on the book," Morales said of lawyers for inmates. Morales noted that all 15 of the inmates executed during his tenure as attorney general had been in prison for at least 10 years. There are currently about 380 inmates on death row in the state prisons of Texas.

- Expressed support for proposed legislation that would expand the

size of the parole panels for the state prison system from the current three to five or seven members. He also expressed support for increased requirements on the evidence needed before a parole board could approve the release of a prisoner.

- Noted that the federal government holds the authority on punishment of employers who hire illegal aliens.

• Expressed support for tougher punishment of repeat offenders, though he said the courts would not uphold capital punishment for such offenders unless they had murdered someone.

- Said he favors educational and employment programs and other measures aimed at guiding young people toward a law-abiding life.

• Described himself as a "good friend" of state Rep. Warren Chisum, D-Pampa. "I think you are very ably represented in the Legislature by Warren Chisum," Morales said, suggesting that he wished all legislators were more like Chisum.

Morales met with law enforcement officials from around the Panhandle prior to his speech this morning.

# Concert features historic harmony

"The Living Roots of Music" presented by the Lauren Pelon Musique Co. is set for 7 p.m. Thursday at the M.K. Brown Auditorium. The performance is free.

Sponsored by Pampa Independent School District and funded through the Texas Committee for the Humanities, Pelon will demonstrate historic songs and instruments rooted in the Middle Ages and Renaissance.

PISD is the only school district in the state to sponsor Pelon, said curriculum coordinator Arlene Gibson. Pampa Fine Arts Association plans to provide auditorium rental funds, she said.

Pelon's performance includes demonstrations of 25 instruments.



Lauren Pelon plans a Thursday concert in Pampa. (Special Photo)

# Commissioners OK combining voting precincts

Gray County Commissioners Court on Monday approved several combinations of voting precincts for the special election to be held May 1.

The combined precincts and their polling places are scheduled to be: Precincts 14, 15, and 6, Travis Elementary School; Precincts 2, 10, and 13, Lovett Memorial Library; Precincts 8 and 9, Austin Elementary School; and Precincts 7, 11, and 12, Horace Mann Elementary School,

said Wanda Carter, Gray County clerk.

The May 1 election has been called to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen to become treasury secretary in the Clinton administration and to offer a statewide vote on a state educational finance amendment to the Texas Constitution.

Also on Monday, Gray County Commissioners Court approved the

payment of \$126,392 in salaries and wages to employees and \$101,309 in bills. In addition, the Commissioners Court approved the transfer of \$47,789 from the general fund to the salary fund; \$3,978 from the FM&LR fund to the Precinct 1 R&B fund; \$1,794 from the FM&LR fund to Precinct 3 R&B fund; and \$18,680 from the performance rewards fund to the general fund.

— John McMillan

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## Clinton

The 1997 deficit will be important because the federal budget for that year will be enacted during 1996 — when Clinton is running for re-election.

A major lobbying effort was already being mounted against the plan.

"We'll see the phone lines jammed because that's the way it's done these days and that's too bad. But I think we were going to beat the special interest groups," Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen said on CBS today.

Labor Secretary Robert Reich said while "everybody is going to be a little nervous" he expected the public to rally behind the package once everyone "understands that every American is going to have to contribute."

Both Bentsen and Reich insisted they weren't worried about an 83-

point decline in the stock market Tuesday — the biggest drop in 15 months — in what analysts said was a reaction to Clinton's Monday night speech in which he acknowledged there would be tax increases in his program, but failed to talk much about spending cuts.

Reich said the stock market is "very short-term oriented" and predicted that "Wall Street, over the long term, we believe, is going to react very favorably."

Clinton himself said the plan — designed to produce jobs, boost the economy and trim the federal budget deficit — will benefit most Americans despite the pain of higher taxes.

"Most middle-class Americans ... (are) going to be much, much better off," he contended Tuesday.

The program, according to administration and congressional sources, will contain a stiff new energy tax

based on heat content of various fuels — a tax that will hit the middle class the hardest.

A senior administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said today the size of that tax will vary by fuel with clean-burning natural gas being taxed at a lesser rate than coal and oil.

"We want to promote a clean environment in this tax package," the official said.

Also going up: taxes on Social Security benefits for retired couples earning more than \$32,000 and the top tax rates on wealthy individuals and corporations.

A surcharge Clinton once said he would impose on millionaires is being expanded to families earning more than \$250,000 a year. It will be roughly 3.5 percent, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

## City briefs

**WATER WELL** Service, Doug Kennedy, 665-4088. Adv.

**BRICK REPAIR**, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

**TAX SERVICE**, Glenda Brownlee, 1433 Dwight, 665-0310, 274-2142. Adv.

**WINTER CLEARANCE** Sale at David's Golf Shop. Great sale on drivers, used woods and irons, jackets, sweaters, gloves and balls all reduced: 2 Man Scramble March 6. Adv.

**TAX SERVICE**, Billie Moore, 669-7643. Adv.

**FRANK SLAGLE** Electric. All electrical services, 665-3748. Adv.

**TAX SERVICE**, Ruby Pruet, 2301 Christine, 665-2636, 665-0654. Adv.

**TRAVEL EXPRESS** Let's go to the races. Remington Park - Memorial Weekend. Call 665-0093. Adv.

**DANCE MOOSE** Lodge, Jack Daniel, Saturday, February 20. Members and guests. Adv.

**SNOW BLOWER**, 25 inch for sale. 665-3807. Adv.

**MEALS ON** Wheels, 669-1007, P.O. Box 939. Volunteers needed. Adv.

**FURNITURE DOCTOR** now open! Refinishing, stripping, repair. 669-3643. Adv.

**IMAGES SPRING** Style Show, Thursday February 18 noon. Call for reservations, Pampa Country Club, 669-3286. Adv.

**OUR BEST** Interior Paint - on sale 20% off. February 15 thru March 6. T.W. Bartlett Lumber, 500 W. Brown, 665-1814. Adv.

**THE LUNCH** Box now serving Mexican food. Little Mexico's recipes, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Alcock and Price Rd., 669-1957. Adv.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, fog possible, otherwise mostly cloudy but not as cold, the low near 15, southeasterly winds 5-15 mph. Mostly cloudy and warmer Thursday, the high near 40 degrees and southerly winds 10-20 mph. The high on Tuesday was 13 degrees; the overnight low was 6 degrees, with a trace of moisture.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

**West Texas** — Panhandle: Tonight, mostly cloudy with areas of fog. Lows 10 to 20. Thursday, mostly cloudy and warmer. Highs in the 30s northeast to near 50 southwest. Thursday night, fair. Lows from the mid-20s to around 30. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy. Highs from the mid 50s to lower 60s. Saturday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of showers. Lows, 30-35. Highs in the upper 50s to lower 60s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Lows in the 20s. Highs, 50-55. **South Plains**: Tonight, cloudy with areas of fog developing after midnight. Lows in the upper teens to lower 20s. Thursday, cloudy with areas of fog in the morning, becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon. Highs near 50. Thursday night, fair. Lows, 30-35. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-60s. Saturday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of

showers. Lows, 35-40. Highs in the mid-60s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Lows in the lower to mid-30s. Highs in the mid- to upper 50s.

**South Texas** — Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas: Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy. Low upper 20s to near 30 Hill Country to lower 30s South-Central Texas. High in the 50s. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Low in the 30s Hill Country to near 40 South-Central Texas. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy to cloudy. High in the 60s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or showers. Low in the 50s. High in the 70s. Texas Coastal Bend: Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy. Low near 40. High in the 50s. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Low in the 40s. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy to cloudy. High in the 60s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or showers. Low in the 60s coast, near 60 inland. High in the 70s coast, near 80 inland. Sunday, decreasing clouds and slightly cooler. Low in the 60s coast, 50s inland. High in the 70s. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy. Isolated areas of light rain or showers Thursday. Low in the 40s. High in the 60s. Thursday night, mostly cloudy with isolated showers. Low in the 40s to near 50.

**North Texas** — Tonight, partly

cloudy and continued cold. Lows 23 to 29. Thursday and Thursday night, partly cloudy and warmer. Highs 43 northeast to 55 west. Lows 33 north-east to 45 west. Extended forecast: Friday, increasing cloudiness and warmer. Highs in the 60s. Saturday, windy and warmer with a chance of thunderstorms, mainly central and eastern portions. Lows in the 40s and highs in the 70s. Sunday, a chance of thunderstorms east early, otherwise partly cloudy and becoming cooler. Lows in the 40s and highs in the 60s.

### BORDER STATES

**New Mexico** — Tonight, variable cloudiness with a slight chance of snow showers north-central and west-central mountains. Areas of low cloudiness developing east. Not as cold northeast. Thursday, variable cloudiness with a slight chance of rain or snow showers west and north. Warmer most sections. Lows tonight will be from 5 to 30 mountains and northeast with 20s to lower 30s at lower elevations of south. Highs Thursday will be in the mid-30s to lower 50s mountains and northeast with 50s and 60s elsewhere.

**Oklahoma** — Tonight, considerable cloudiness and cold. Lows near 10 northwest to the lower 20s Red River Valley. Thursday, mostly cloudy north, partly cloudy south. Slight chance of light snow north. Highs lower 30s north to near 40 Red River Valley.

# Indicted trio requests halt to pathology-related cases

By JEAN PAGEL  
Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO (AP) — Attorneys for one dozen officials and policemen accused of conspiracy say their clients are being harassed.

The group, including district attorneys Travis Ware of Lubbock County and Randy Sherrod of Randall County, is being sued by three indicted critics of former forensic pathologist Ralph Erdmann.

"The only malice in this proceeding ... is intimidating our public officials," David Mullins, attorney for Ware, said Tuesday.

A hearing on the matter was expected to conclude today.

Georgia defense attorney Millard Farmer and Lubbock police officers Bill Hubbard and Pat Kelly claim they were indicted for speaking out against Erdmann.

They sued the 12 defendants Feb. 2 to win an injunction stopping the cases. Their lawsuit also says Ware, Sherrod and the others conspired to hide Erdmann's blunders and lies.

Erdmann, who performed hun-

dreds of autopsies in 40 West Texas counties, pleaded no contest last year to seven felony counts of falsifying autopsies.

Erdmann is named in the lawsuit, but he did not attend Tuesday's hearing.

U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson began the proceeding by swearing in 25 witnesses en masse. The group included prosecutors, district attorneys' officials and police.

Lawyers, some representing case participants, others just watching, packed the federal courtroom. Testimony moved slowly as lawyers for the 12 defendants questioned and cross-examined three witnesses.

Gerald Goldstein of San Antonio promised he and his colleagues of nationally noted defense attorneys would prove the three Erdmann critics were indicted in retaliation for speaking out against the pathologist.

Former Lubbock city manager Larry Cunningham testified that Ware came to him asking that Hubbard be reassigned from the homicide division.

Ware told Cunningham the police

chief wasn't willing to make that change, so Ware planned to take the findings of an internal police probe to a grand jury, Cunningham said.

"He didn't want me to share this information," Cunningham said. "He said if there was a leak, he would know where it came from."

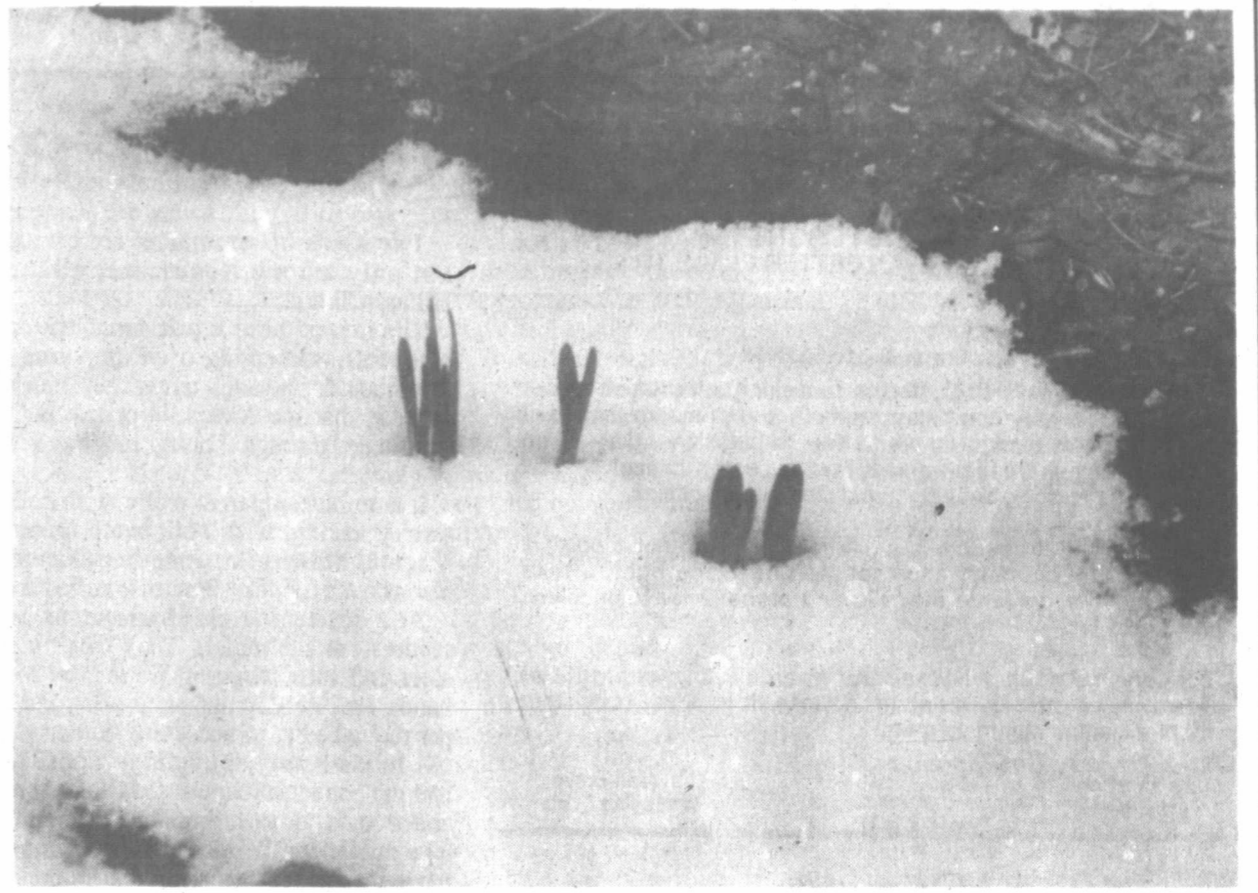
Frank Briscoe of the Texas Attorney General's Office testified he took the Hubbard matter to a Lubbock grand jury himself because Ware recused himself. That move was not made in retaliation or forced by anyone in Lubbock, Briscoe said.

Hubbard was indicted on charges of tampering with government records and perjury in a case unrelated to Erdmann. But he had testified in an earlier pretrial hearing involving Erdmann's work in a capital murder case.

Farmer was indicted in Randall County on charges of threatening Erdmann if he did not change his testimony in a case Farmer was defending.

Kelly faces five charges of aggravated perjury in Randall County in relation to testimony about Erd-

## Persistence



Signs of spring refuse to remain hidden as evidenced by these daffodils peeking through snowfall.

(Staff photo by Cheryl Berzanakis)

# 'Defenders' ready for battle over tax hikes, spending cuts

By JIM DRINKARD  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — With billions of dollars at stake, an army of lobbyists already is laying the groundwork to battle President Clinton and blunt the effect of tax hikes and spending cuts on special interests ranging from oil giants to the elderly.

"We're getting everybody on alert," said John Rother, chief lobbyist for the American Association of Retired Persons, the powerful lobby for older Americans.

AARP's analysts will be working late tonight following Clinton's speech to Congress, trying to calculate what impact his proposed tax hikes and spending cuts will have on

AARP's membership. They'll be trying to meet a Thursday deadline for getting the word out to 34 million retirees in AARP's regular newsletter.

The National Beer Wholesalers Association, concerned about possible increases in excise taxes, has written letters and talked with Clinton's economic advisers to argue that a tax hike will destroy jobs, hit those least able to pay and rob states of an important revenue source.

The beer group is planning to stage a "fly-in" next month that will bring 1,000 brewers and wholesalers to Washington for a three-day lobbying blitz.

Lobbyists have been hard at work over the past several days in hopes

of pre-empting any unfavorable action from the White House. Next, they'll turn their attention to Congress.

And although there still were scant details available Tuesday about Clinton's economic package, lobbyists were thinking about their next steps.

The White House was girding for the onslaught.

"We're looking at a lot of corporate interests who are getting hit in one way or another," Mandy Grunwald, Clinton's media adviser, said Tuesday. "Their favors are disappearing and that is going to crank up an incredible lobbying barrage."

Clinton drew the lines for the battle with special interests in his Oval

Office speech to the nation Monday night during which he called lobbyists the "defenders of decline" and predicted they would "be out in force" to oppose his economic plan.

But lobbyists said that wouldn't make them bashful about doing their jobs.

"If we must disagree, we must disagree," said Robert Juliano, who lobbies for travel and tourism interests. He said he was concerned about increased taxes on gasoline, deductibility of business meals and new excise taxes on beer, wine and liquor.

With the battle looming, trucking, alcohol and tobacco interests have reactivated the Coalition Against Regressive Taxation, a group they

formed in 1986 to lobby against a move to end the deductibility of excise taxes.

The revived group, which includes the American Trucking Associations, has contacted Clinton and hired an accounting firm to update its study of the impact of higher excise taxes on the economy, including how many jobs are eliminated.

AARP was watching closely to see whether senior citizens might be hit by increased energy taxes, higher taxes on Social Security benefits and a squeeze on Medicare reimbursements.

Older Americans, AARP's Rother said, are willing to join Clinton's call for sacrifice if the pain is distributed evenly. But if Clinton's plan unfairly singles out retirees, "then

it's going to be a pretty tough sell," he warned.

Clinton won important support when he sent his labor secretary, Robert Reich, to meet with top officials of the AFL-CIO at a convention this week in Bal Harbour, Fla.

AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland said "as we know it, it is an equitable package and it deserves our full support."

In that statement, Kirkland was striking a balance — swallowing likely excise tax hikes and increased energy taxes in return for items unions want, such as extended unemployment benefits, infrastructure spending and increased taxes on corporations and the wealthiest individuals.

# Death of lost 2-year-old boy shakes Britain

By ROBERT BARR  
Associated Press Writer

LONDON (AP) — A scene captured on a shopping center security camera haunts Britain: A 2-year-old walking away with an older boy, his right hand trustingly placed in the grip of a stranger.

When police in Liverpool found young James Bulger on Sunday night, he was dead, his battered body left on a rail line.

"This is the most dreadful and shocking murder inquest I have had to open in the course of the last 25 years," coroner Roy Barter said Tuesday.

Police were questioning a 12-year-old boy today, said Chief Superintendent Dave Thompson of the Merseyside police. Two adults also arrested Tuesday night were released today, police said.

Thompson said 20 youths between the ages of 10 and 16 had been interviewed but they had not found the two boys who took the 2-year-old from the shopping center.

A crowd of about 80 people gathered in the street outside, shouting "murderer" and jeering and kicking at police vehicles as they drove away.

The case, touching so close to the fears of many parents, has captured national attention.

"When a young, innocent toddler is killed in a brutal way, then you are beyond the edge of evil. You are into the heart of darkness," Conservative lawmaker Kenneth Baker told BBC radio.

The abduction and murder of children as young as two is very rare in Britain, where overall crime rates, although they have increased rapidly in recent years, remain far lower than in the United States.

James apparently wandered away from his mother, Denise, while they were in a butcher's shop Friday afternoon.

A security camera at the Strand shopping center captured the mother and boy entering the shop at 3:37 p.m. A minute later, James came out alone; a minute after that his

mother could be seen looking for him.

At 3:42, the videotape showed James walking away with an older boy. Police said other pictures indicate that James left with two boys, aged 10 to 14.

Detective Superintendent Albert Kirby said Tuesday that another video camera, half a mile from the shopping center, produced pictures of the older boys either dragging James or swinging him by the arms.

Witnesses in that area have said the toddler had bruises and cuts on his forehead.

Kirby said police thought it was possible that the two older boys were not responsible for the death.

"They may from stupidity or whatever reason have led James away. We don't know if, from them taking him away, he has fallen into someone else's hands," Kirby said.

The Liverpool Echo reported Tuesday that a 73-year-old woman had seen two boys with James about 4:30 on Friday.

"He was crying and screaming

and I asked what was the matter," said the woman, whose name was not disclosed.

"The other two said they had just found him and he had fallen and hit his head. He had a bump on his head and a bump on the side of his forehead."

But she said "the little fellow seemed to have confidence in the other two because he had hold of their hands."

The dead boy's uncle, Jim Bulger, told reporters that he and the grieving parents were praying that the killers would be caught quickly.

"He was only a baby," Bulger said. "If they can do that to him in broad daylight I'm convinced they can do it again."

While the police investigation continued, relatives and friends left flowers near the rail line where the boy's body was found.

A card on one said: "Rest in peace, little one. You didn't deserve to die the way you did. Please God, look after him and cuddle him."

# Prison settlement sent to Senate committee

By CHIP BROWN  
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Attorney General Dan Morales warned lawmakers that any violation by the state of a recent prison lawsuit settlement could mean a trip back to the court.

"Anything the state would do in violation of the agreement, we can anticipate hearing from the plaintiffs' attorneys again," Morales told the Senate Criminal Justice Committee Tuesday.

The committee asked Morales to explain details of an agreement the state reached with inmates' attorneys to end the landmark lawsuit against the prison system.

In 1980, U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of Tyler ruled that confinement in Texas prisons constituted cruel and

unusual punishment because of overcrowding, substandard care and routine brutality by guards and inmates.

In December, after more than a decade of massive prison building and spending increases, Justice approved a settlement returning prison supervision to the state.

State leaders generally agree the abuses of 20 years ago, when inmates were allowed to supervise inmates, have been remedied.

But overcrowded prisons continue to haunt legislators who recently approved a \$250 million bill to build and operate more prisons.

The court settlement estimates the capacity of the Texas prison system at 51,067. But officials say the number of violent offenders in county jails awaiting transfer to state prisons puts the number of inmates over capacity.

Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco,

expressed concern that the state may already be in violation of the capacity established in the court agreement.

"If the state exceeds 51,067, there is a possibility the inmates' lawyers would contend and file something in court," said Morales, adding that the state's official occupancy now hovers around 50,000.

Building more prisons is the best solution to keeping the court settlement intact, said Jay Aguilar, an assistant attorney general who represented the state in the prison suit.

Under the agreement, the state will be given flexibility in how it houses its prisoners, said Morales, who suggested the conversion of military bases into correctional facilities and using more boot camps.

The plaintiffs' attorneys will be

looking to make sure new state jails or work camps are not built as a substitute for violent offenders who should be in a maximum security unit, officials said.

The state might violate the settlement by passing a bill approving the construction of work camps simply to help alleviate overcrowding, Aguilar said.

Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, who chairs the Criminal Justice Committee, said he would recommend legislation limiting a violent offender's stay in a regional jail to two years before sending them to a maximum security prison.

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# Aspin delays Tailhook report

WASHINGTON (AP) — Public release of the Pentagon's independent report on the Tailhook sex abuse scandal is being held up until a civilian Navy secretary is appointed by President Clinton and confirmed by the Senate.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin and the author of the report, Deputy Inspector General Derek Vander Schaaf "have decided not to release the report until a civilian secretary of the Navy is available to deal with it," Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall told reporters.

Asked about a report that Aspin was delaying the release so that he could focus on budget matters, Hall

denied that the move was being made for any such political reason.

"It's appropriate to have a civilian with the appropriate authorization to deal with it when it is released," Hall said of the report.

Clinton has yet to fill several key jobs at the Pentagon, including the civilian heads of each of the armed service branches.

Several names that have surfaced for consideration for the Navy post include the former Mississippi Gov. Ray Mabus, Washington lawyer and former Carter administration official John Holum, former Rep. Beverly Byron, D-Md., and Rep. Norm Sisisky, D-Va.

# Viewpoints



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## Opinion

### This time, traditions must be considered

President Clinton may be in the process of discovering that it isn't as easy as simply issuing an executive order — even to change an organization of which he is nominally commander-in-chief, which is accustomed to top-down discipline and following orders. If the career leadership and rank-and-file of such an organization aren't ready for the changes the president has in mind, some negotiation and accommodation may be in order.

Whether openly homosexual men and women will be permitted to serve in the military is more than a narrow legal issue. There are traditions to consider and a culture that — rightly or wrongly — is deeply ingrained. Attitudes and cultural legacies can't be changed instantly simply by issuing an edict; indeed, a strong argument can be made that attitudes and beliefs about private matters should not be the province of the legal system at all in a civil society.

In an abstract sense, there is much to be said for President Clinton's contention that the military should be more concerned with behavior than "status" when it comes to sexual orientation. If homosexuals are able to comply with, even internalize, the necessarily stricter-than-civilian codes and rules associated with military life — and there's evidence that many in-the-closet homosexuals have done so, fighting honorably and even dying for this country — it seems unjust that they should be kicked out just because of sexual preference, absent any other evidence of misconduct.

And yet ... and yet. Questions about privacy in living quarters, closeness and trust in combat situations — questions dismissed as trivial or evidence of bigotry by some — are not trivial to many people in the military, who are concerned about how these practical matters might effect morale, cohesiveness, and, ultimately, military effectiveness. These concerns need to be addressed before a new policy is implemented. It may take much longer than six months to deal with them.

It is one thing in the abstract, for example, to declare that people should be drummed out of the military only for misconduct, not for sexual preference. But consider the litigiousness of our society, the militance of some activist groups, and the proclivity of some courts to discern discrimination in eccentric ways.

Could a situation develop in which, in practice, it would become virtually impossible to drum out, transfer, or even discipline a homosexual soldier clearly guilty of misconduct because it would be viewed as invidious discrimination — or result in a legal battle so protracted as to make it more cost-effective to endure the misconduct than to try to correct it?

If President Clinton is determined to change the military's policy on sexual orientation — and he shows uncharacteristic determination on this issue — he should probably figure on it taking longer than six months.

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### Berry's World



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"Are you here checking out the spring break action?"

## Oh dear, Hillary

Two kinds of resentment are crystallizing, and not only among Americans, on the matter of Hillary Clinton.

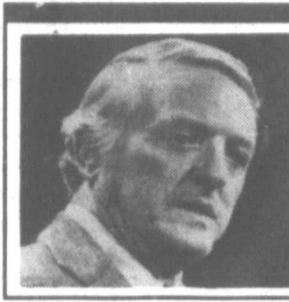
The first of these is that during the campaign she was really something of an impostor. And this is important for reasons not widely touched upon — namely, that the American people put presidential candidates through a pretty rough ordeal. The price of glory.

It is to be compared, really, with college and fraternity hazing, with boot camp ignominy. At the Virginia Military Institute, for example, what are elsewhere called freshmen are called "rats."

At a different level, of course, presidential contenders are subhuman. They have to stand out in sleet and snow begging passers-by to shake their hands; they need to appear as often as a dozen times per day whether to address a recreation room at the old folk's home, struggling against interruptions and the conversational din of deaf or bored old men and women, or to address crowded and critical college audiences. It is something of a psychological payment against the glory that is theirs beginning the night the winner is chosen, the royal glamour of life in the White House, and the deferential treatment for the rest of the retired president's life.

On the famous "60 Minutes" program in January 1992 that focused on the question of marital fidelity, poor Bill Clinton found himself saying plaintively to Steve Kroft: "I have told the American people more than any person running for president. I have said things to you tonight that no American (candidate) had ever before been asked."

Now Mrs. Clinton was spared for that kind of initiation because the assumption was that, after all,



William F. Buckley Jr.

it was her husband who was running for office. And on at least one occasion, Clinton sharply rebuked a journalist for acting as though it was she the American people were being asked to vote for or against.

Ambrose Evans Pritchard, the Washington correspondent for the *Daily Telegraph* in London, put it this way last week: "The Clintons engaged in false advertising during the campaign. With great skill, Hillary crafted a softer image more in keeping with the traditional spouse. Hillary did not campaign honestly for the position she now holds. Indeed, she hid behind her husband, only to emerge in the limelight, triumphant, sporting her maiden name, once the votes were safely counted." That, surely, is one cause of the current discontent with a woman who does not hesitate to act as, in effect, chief of staff for her husband.

A second cause of irritation is the fetishistic hygiene being demanded, all of a sudden, of such as Kimba Wood. One recalls, at the same "60 Minutes" interview with candidate Bill Clinton, when he made it as plain as one can do that he had at one point been unfaithful. "Are we taking the position

that people who have had problems can't run for president?" he asked.

No, the American people are not taking that position. But Hillary is acting in a way that would be deeply resented if done by someone in the name of the Religious Right.

"That Hillary is a Puritan," the *Telegraph* goes on, "there can be no doubt. She is a secular missionary. Her cast of mind, like that of most liberal activists, would have drawn her to the church in another age. Her biographer, Judith Warner, records that she carries a Bible, but it is for ethical, not religious, guidance."

The disqualification of Judge Wood to be attorney general was done by the president, but there is the sense that his termination of Kimba Wood reflected the censoriousness of his wife. The *Telegraph* concluded in its report to British readers that "the whole saga is an astonishing mix of incompetence and spinelessness."

The mix of formal puritanism (did you pay your nanny the minimum wage?) and intimate, fraternity-style bonding is, to say the least, distracting. Grown and, ex officio, distinguished men and women were brought to Camp David over a weekend, were sat down in a living room where one or more "facilitators" zoomed in on members of Clinton's Cabinet, coaxing them to divulge some spillage from their childhood, the better to induce a common understanding.

Clinton's contribution, evidently, was that he was a fat little boy. He'd have done better to let it out that he is a confused big boy now and, in recent days, something of an embarrassment, for which his wife is the perfect complement.

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 17, the 48th day of 1993. There are 317 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 17, 1964, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its "one man, one vote" decision, ruling that congressional districts within each state must be roughly equal in population.

On this date:

In 1801, the U.S. House of Representatives broke an electoral tie between Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr, electing Jefferson president. Burr became vice president.

In 1817, a street in Baltimore became the first to be lighted with gas from America's first gas company.

In 1865, Columbia, S.C., burned as the Confederates moved out and Union forces began moving in. (It's never been determined which side set the blaze.)

In 1897, the forerunner of the National PTA, the National Congress of Mothers, was founded in Washington.



## Do-it-yourself welfare

It was urban rioting 25 years ago that motivated then-President Lyndon Johnson to ask Congress for a massive expansion of urban welfare.

But 25 years and \$3.5 trillion later, riots in Los Angeles revealed that the problems of our city slums have worsened.

We've spent more on the war on poverty than we spend winning World War II, yet this war remains unwon.

From many directions, well-intentioned economists are advising our President on welfare reform.

Heritage Foundation specialists are convinced that it requires simultaneous reform of welfare, education and criminal justice.

Complicating attempts at reform are a legion of "welfare professionals," whom Dr. Walter Williams calls "poverty pimps."

They appear oblivious to the decline of moral values and family structure in "the projects."

Twenty-five years ago one of four black children was born out of wedlock; today it is two out of three.

Similar trends are apparent among poor-income whites.



Paul Harvey

Comprehensive welfare reform can no longer ignore the inevitable relationship between government largesse and self-discipline.

While the White House and the Congress consider the studied recommendations of the respected Heritage Foundation and other counsel, let me tell you about the do-it-yourself welfare program of Meridian, Miss.

One good example is worth a thousand admonitions.

Bishop Luke Edwards of the Greater Christ Temple Church in Meridian, with 200 members of his congregation, formed an organization they called REACH. It was 1977.

Ninety-five percent of his church members were receiving welfare, food stamps or some such assistance.

Bishop Edwards organized his congregation to purchase groceries from wholesalers. They opened a grocery store in the church where members would shop.

From the profits they opened a supermarket.

Within one year REACH members had purchased a second supermarket and had turned an adjacent liquor store into a chicken fast-food restaurant.

Today — 15 years later — REACH members own 1,000 acres of farmland where they grow crops for the wholesale market and to supply their own several retail outlets.

They also own and operate the spacious, comfortable South Fork Restaurant in Eutaw, Ala.

They own delicatessens in Livingston and York, Ala., a gas station in Livingston and a meat-processing plant in Meridian, Miss.

Bishop Luke Edwards says his only opposition has come from black civil rights organizations that "profit from keeping people feeling sorry for themselves."

## Is the economic 'truth' true?

In his State of the Union message today, President Clinton will tell us about our economic problems, and offer economic solutions. He said recently that earlier presidents had not "leveled" with the American people about the economy, echoing a decade of rhetoric about how politicians "haven't had the courage to tell us the truth."

Now, I will probably support Clinton's program. But let's deal first with this "truth" issue.

What, for example, is that elusive hidden truth about the deficit? This: Some serious economists think we should cut spending. Some think we should raise taxes. Some believe we need more economic growth, which they say is harmed by raising taxes or cutting spending. Some say the deficit isn't really high or low. Some say the deficit doesn't even exist because we measure it wrong. Serious economists all. Thanks for the help.

What about jobs? Tell us the truth! Clinton says jobs are a big problem, and that he wants to "grow" jobs, and not just any old jobs, but "good jobs." But many serious economists stress that 19 million new jobs were created from 1980-90, that the new jobs were not mostly hamburger-flipper service jobs, but mostly good ones. What's the truth?

Will President Clinton tell us that truth about how America isn't competing well in the global market? I hope he also tells us the truth that America (after getting into international trade late in the game) recently became the biggest exporter in the world.

What about productivity? The root of slow eco-



Ben Wattenberg

nomical growth is slow productivity growth. Productivity in the manufacturing sector has soared. It's productivity in the service sector that's flat. But most economists concede that we don't know how to measure productivity services. (Don't computers increase productivity in offices? Don't automatic teller machines increase productivity in banks?)

And so it goes. Arguments everywhere. The rich got a tax rip-off in the '80s. No, they didn't. We're overtaxed. No, we're undertaxed. A strong dollar is good. No, a weak dollar is good. Trade creates jobs. No, trade costs jobs. Lower deficits will lower longer term interest rates. No, they won't. Infrastructure stimulates the economy. No, it doesn't. The trade deficit hurts us. No, it doesn't.

Want more? The budget deal of 1990 was a failure; no, it was a success. Foreigners are buying up America; no, America is investing too much abroad. We're losing our work ethic; no, we're working harder than ever. We need more regula-

tion. We've have/haven't lost manufacturing jobs. Immigrants help/hurt us. We're hurting/we have the highest standard of living ever. Income has gone down; income has stayed flat; income has gone up.

Moreover, most of these contradictory factoids are boosted by ideologists, not economists. Beneath it all is usually a big government/small government argument.

So, it's not that we're not being told the truth. We don't agree on what the truth is. All this edges me toward supporting the likely Clinton plan.

The argument has become sterile, boring and endless. By now it is paralyzing the public dialog. (Worse, it makes economists important.) We have more important things to debate than which snip to take out of benefits, which smidgen to add to our taxes, and where to nick spending. The sacrifices required are small. (How about a dashboard to choose?)

We've made the budget deficit a monumental totem of national discipline, so we should do something, and it shouldn't be another phony baloney trick that never quite gets to spending cuts. We can resume the ideological argument later. Right now, most any serious plan is better than no plan.

Clinton was elected. We only have one president at a time. Let's hear his proposal. He'll tell us that it's based on telling us the hard truth. Sure it is. But if it's mildly appropriate, I'll make believe I believe him.



Kenneth McDuff is ushered out of the courthouse in Houston Tuesday. (AP Photo)

## Paroled killer calls it quits after another conviction

By MIKE COCHRAN  
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — For two weeks, paroled rapist-killer Kenneth McDuff sat in a small, cramped courtroom, snarling and glaring at witnesses and accusing them of lying.

Tuesday, he meekly called it quits. Convicted of capital murder, McDuff informed his lawyers and then the court he did not want to stick around for the punishment stage.

Waiving his right to confront witnesses, he addressed the bench.

"Could I ask you about how long will it be before I'm transferred back to death row?" he asked minutes after the jury ruled that he abducted and killed a young Waco woman last March.

State District Judge Bob Burdette told him he could better answer that Thursday after closing arguments in the punishment stage.

"Unless he changes his mind, we've seen the last of him," said Mike Charlton, the lead defense lawyer.

The jury, which deliberated less than four hours before rendering its verdict, returns today to hear additional testimony.

The panel then will decide if McDuff, 46, will spend his life in

prison or die by lethal injection.

McDuff stands convicted of capital murder in the robbery-slaying of Melissa Northrup, 22, a pregnant mother of two who disappeared from her job at a convenience store in Waco.

Her partially clothed, badly decomposed body was found two months later floating in a Dallas-area gravel pit. Her hands were tied behind her back, but the exact cause of death has not been determined.

"His chances of not getting the death penalty are pretty small," said Walter Reeves, a member of the defense team. He mentioned McDuff's previous death sentence.

A Fort Worth jury condemned McDuff to die in 1966 for his role in the shooting deaths of two teen-age cousins and the rape-strangulation of their female companion.

McDuff languished on death row until 1972, when the U.S. Supreme Court banished capital punishment as it was then imposed.

McDuff was paroled in 1989, imprisoned briefly again, then released in 1990.

Authorities believe he launched a new killing spree within days.

In the most piercing moment of final arguments, Waco prosecutor Crawford Long thrust a finger at the surly defendant and snapped:

"I submit to you that the evidence shows this is every person's nightmare. It's the monster who comes out of the dark and snatches innocent people off the street and slaughters them."

Defending his stance later, Long told reporters:

"I want the jurors to know what they're dealing with. I think he's an evil person. Absolutely evil. And I think the evidence shows it. If that's not a monster and a nightmare, what is?"

The victim's husband, Aaron Northrup, 23, praised the McLennan County District Attorney's office for its prosecution and said:

"I am real glad to know that Kenneth Allen McDuff cannot go out and hurt anyone else."

Both he and the victim's brother, Clay Leger, also of Waco, reserved some of their harshest words for parole board officials, whom they accused of accepting bribes for McDuff's freedom.

"It is so sad that the greed and negligence of so few can affect so many," Northrup said.

Leger indicated he will not let the issue die — with or without McDuff.

"If it means attacking the parole board, I will attack the parole board," Leger declared.

## Battle lines being drawn over school funding plan

AUSTIN (AP) — The fight over a share-the-wealth school funding proposal moves to the ballot box May 1, and people on both sides of the issue are making battle plans.

Democratic state leaders are contemplating a campaign to convince Texans to approve the measure. State GOP Chairman Fred Meyer has said Republicans will fight the issue.

"It'll be just like running a statewide campaign. The difference is the candidate will be the schoolchildren of the state," Rep. Libby Lineberger, D-Manchaca, head of the House Public Education Committee, said Tuesday.

She said if the proposal fails, lawmakers may have to consolidate school districts to meet a Texas Supreme Court order for reform. But GOP opponents of the ballot measure say that's not the only alternative.

Proponents of the measure are discussing an organized effort that likely would be financed through private and business donations and include paid advertising, said Chuck McDonald, spokesman for Democratic Gov. Ann Richards.

Richards said: "I intend to put together a very serious, sophisticated plan to bring information to the people of the state of Texas so that we will have an affirmative vote on the issue."

The proposed constitutional amendment, which would allow the state to shift some local property tax money from wealthier to poorer school districts, will be on the May 1 ballot.

The so-called Robin Hood proposal is meant to meet a June 1 court deadline for lawmakers to pass a constitutional plan to equalize funding available to property-rich and poor school districts.

If the deadline passes without a plan, school districts face a court-ordered cutoff of state public education money. Leaders have warned that would mean school closings, because public education relies on state aid and local property taxes.

But state GOP Chairman Fred Meyer says the proposed ballot solution would result in huge property tax increases and promised that Republicans will work against it.

"The courts have said we must come up with another way to

finance schools, not that we must give the Legislature new authority to assess and raise taxes," Meyer said. Rep. Tom Craddick of Midland, head of the House GOP caucus, called the ballot proposal unfair.

Supporters of the plan dispute their contentions, saying they only are asking the wealthiest school districts to share some of their funds. The proposed amendment would allow redistribution of no more than \$407 million, an amount equal to 2.75 percent of state and local school revenue.

Not all Republicans oppose the plan, but Meyer says he thinks most GOP members are with him.

"They're working for closing the schools, is what they're working for," Ms. Lineberger said of opponents.

Craddick said he doesn't believe the courts will close schools, and that there are backup proposals if the constitutional amendment is voted down. They include finding another way to legalize the current system, which was thrown out by the Texas Supreme Court, or establishing countywide tax bases for school districts, he said.

## Richards signs job training legislation

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Ann Richards says a \$50-million-a-year job-training measure will give Texas another tool to attract new business.

"This gives us a chance to be able to say to the business, 'You come here. We've got the workers, and we'll train them to do the job you want done,'" said Richards, who signed the measure into law Tuesday.

The bill is the first to receive her signature since the 1993 legislative session began Jan. 12.

For example, Richards said, the new law could help Lubbock's efforts to attract a U.S. Defense Department finance and accounting center that would bring more than 4,000 jobs to Texas.

The so-called Smart Jobs Fund will be financed by diverting one-tenth of 1 percent of the state's exist-

ing unemployment insurance tax.

The fund will provide matching grants to existing Texas businesses for training new workers, or to upgrade employees' skills for jobs that generally pay at least the state average annual wage of \$18,000, based on manufacturing industry salaries.

As an incentive, the program will give matching grants to pay for new job training or on-the-job training.

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# Food

## Pressure's on to create dessert breads

Delicious steamed bread from a surprising source - the pressure cooker!

If you think homemade bread only comes out of the oven, you're missing something truly wonderful - steamed breads. Moist, sweet and often studded with dried fruits and nuts, steamed breads trace their roots back to the traditional steamed "puddings" that graced English-tea tables and holiday feasts.

In the new world, Yankee ingenuity soon found ways to incorporate common American ingredients, like corn and squash, into these treats and make them uniquely ours. The only serious drawback to preparing steamed breads was time. Most required prolonged and steady steaming in a kettle for up to three hours.

This new recipe for Steamed Zucchini Bread changes all that. Not only is convenient packaged corn muffin mix a modern-day substitution for cornmeal and extra elbow grease, this recipe also cooks up incredibly quick because it's adapted for the pressure cooker. Cooking time is reduced to 40 minutes.

Steamed Zucchini Bread is one of the many dessert breads you can make in the versatile pressure cooker.

### Steamed Zucchini Bread

- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1-1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1 cup shredded zucchini (7-1/2 or 8-ounce)
- 1 package oatmeal or corn muffin mix
- 1/4 cup dark raisins
- 1/4 cup chopped walnuts
- 3 cups hot water

Beat egg, brown sugar, oil and cinnamon. Add zucchini and muffin mix. Stir just until moistened. Stir in raisins and walnuts. Pour into greased 1-quart mold or metal bowl that will fit loosely in a 6-quart pressure cooker. Cover securely with aluminum foil. Place cooking rack and 3 cups water in pressure cooker. Place mold on rack. Close cover securely. Place pressure regulator on vent pipe. Cook for 40 minutes, at 15 pounds pressure, with pressure regulator rocking slowly. Let pressure drop of its own accord. Remove bread and let cool in mold on wire rack 15 minutes. Remove bread from mold. Serve warm. Makes 1 loaf.

Note: For smaller loaves of bread, use two greased 1-pound cans. Cook 30 minutes, at 15 pounds pressure, with pressure regulator rocking slowly.



From a pressure cooker — Steamed Zucchini Bread in about 40 minutes. (Special photo)

## Mind to mouth gap exists in youngsters

By LEANNE WAXMAN  
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — It's not that kids don't know what they should be eating. A lot of the time, they just don't eat it.

"I think there's a gap between the mind and the mouth," said Johanna Dwyer, a registered dietician and director of a Boston clinic that deals with diet-related problems in adults and children.

"The microwave has revolutionized children's meal patterns because they can prepare their own food. It used to be that your mother wouldn't let you near the stove, but you could go to the refrigerator," she said.

Of 407 9- to 15-year-olds surveyed in 1991, 74 percent said they decide for themselves what they eat for snacks and 65 percent said they choose what they eat for breakfast.

Forty-six percent of those questioned by The Gallup Organization on behalf of the International Food Information Council and the American Dietetic Association said they pick lunch, and 27 percent chose their own dinner.

But 50 percent of all those surveyed said foods that are good for them don't taste good. And a 1989 survey of 5,043 youngsters (conducted for the Kellogg Co. by Harris-Scholastic Research) showed only one in three 3rd- to 12th-graders said they eat the right kinds of food very often.

There are exceptions: Jesse Nagle, 9, explains that protein is important.

"If I didn't have it, I wouldn't be in good shape

and I wouldn't be able to play sports," he says, showing off a bowl of turkeyballs he made with a little help from his dad.

What about vegetables? "Instead of sugar added on to them, they have built in stuff that's good," he says.

But many others are dependent on processed foods aimed at youngsters, and that isn't a good thing, according to a committee of nutrition and health experts picked by the nonprofit Center for Science in the Public Interest.

"The same companies that sell healthful foods for adults foist fatty, salty, sugary foods on our children," the committee said in a report issued last July. "Stroll down supermarket aisles. Go to a fast-food restaurant. Watch a few hours of Saturday-morning television.

"Packaging and ads tempt children to consume fatty fast-foods, sugary cereals and soft drinks, additive-laden candy, and salty snacks and canned foods, rather than the fresh fruits, vegetables and whole grains they should be eating."

But Dwyer said "schools are being asked to do a whole bunch of things" and it should be parents who do more.

"More important than just teaching in the classroom is modeling behaviors in the right direction," she said. "Some mothers are picking up Jane Fonda tapes. Some of them aren't."

Gail Frank, a registered dietician who teaches nutrition at California State University at Long Beach, said "nutrition takes the back seat" in schools and some parents are misinformed about the cost of eating healthier.

## Roll out the chicken pinwheels at your next party

By NANCY BYAL, Food Editor  
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine

Getting the gang together is great fun. Finding something deliciously different to serve can be a challenge, especially if you're trying to reduce the fat in your diet. This time, trade the ho-hum high-fat burgers and brats for lean and lemony spirals of chicken.

The recipe for these attractive spirals is not only low in fat, but it also gives you flexibility. You can serve up to 15 people with the basic recipe, or double it for a gathering of 30. You can bake the pinwheels a day ahead to cut down on last-minute preparation. And, if you're traveling to your gathering, pack

along the spirals in a storage container in an ice-filled cooler.

### Chicken Pinwheels

- 6 skinless, boneless large chicken breast halves (about 1 1/2 pounds)
- 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard
- 3/4 teaspoon lemon-pepper seasoning
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/4 teaspoon onion salt
- 6 thin slices boiled ham
- Paprika
- Leaf lettuce (optional)
- 32 slices rye party bread or other thin bread slices, cut into quarters
- 2 large tomatoes, thinly sliced and quartered
- 1 small cucumber, bias-sliced 1/4-inch thick
- 1 recipe Mustard Sauce

Rinse chicken; pat dry. Place each breast half, boned side up, between two pieces of plastic wrap. Working from the center to the edges, pound lightly with the flat side of a meat mallet to 1/4-inch thickness. Remove plastic wrap.

Lightly spread each breast with the Dijon-style mustard. Combine lemon-pepper seasoning, garlic powder and onion salt; sprinkle over mustard.

Place one ham slice on each chicken breast, folding the ham to fit. Starting with a long edge, roll up chicken with ham inside. If necessary, secure with wooden toothpicks. Place rolls, seam side down, in a 12-by 7 1/2-by 2-inch baking dish. Sprinkle with paprika.

Bake, uncovered, in a 350-degree F oven for 35 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink. Cool. Cover and chill for up to 24 hours.

To serve, cut chicken rolls into 1/4-inch-thick slices. Line a large serving platter with lettuce. Arrange chicken slices, bread, tomato and cucumber on the platter. Serve with Mustard Sauce. Makes about 15 servings.

Mustard Sauce: In a small mixing bowl stir together 1/4 cup dairy sour cream, 1/4 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing, 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard and 1 teaspoon prepared horseradish, if desired. Cover and chill until serving time. Makes 1/2 cup.

For 30 servings: Double all of the ingredients. Bake the chicken rolls in two 12-by 7 1/2-by 2-inch baking dishes.

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# Lifestyles

## Methane from lake waters is culprit in global warming

By MERCER CROSS  
National Geographic

BOULDER, Colo. — When Lesley K. Smith went for a hike in Rocky Mountain National Park a few years ago, she noticed bubbles rising from alpine ponds.

A limnologist — a biologist specializing in the study of inland waters — Smith said to herself: "I bet that's methane."

Colorless and odorless, methane is a flammable gas that rises into Earth's atmosphere from numerous man-made and natural sources. Together with carbon dioxide, chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and other substances, it contributes to global warming.

Burning of tropical forests and fossil fuels — oil and coal — is the major human source of atmospheric methane. Nature sends it skyward from such uncontrollable sources as rice paddies, swamps, cattle and termites.

But lakes and their wetlands? They may be bigger culprits than previously suspected. Nobody had given them much thought until recently.

Smith's observation of the ponds led to a 15-month study of five lakes in the Colorado Rockies. Little attention had been paid to northern lakes as methane producers.

As Smith and fellow scientist William M. Lewis Jr., both of the University of Colorado at Boulder, began their research, they didn't expect any dramatic discoveries.

Skiing onto the lakes in the dead of winter to drill through the ice and take water samples from those that weren't frozen solid, the researchers learned that methane sometimes builds up significantly under the ice.

Bacteria in the lake sediment feed on decaying organic material

and release methane as a waste product. The methane diffuses into the water and sometimes bubbles to the surface or is oxidized in the oxygen-rich water. Winter ice traps pockets of methane.

"This is the first time someone has suggested that the spring thaw of lakes and the rapid release of methane may contribute to a seasonal increase in tropospheric methane," says Smith, whose research is supported in part by the National Geographic Society.

"The data from the southern Rockies and information that has accumulated on other lake types over the last 15 years indicate that lakes may be a larger source strength of methane than reported estimates," Smith and Lewis report. It may account for as much as 10 percent of atmospheric methane.

But more extensive research is necessary. While the amount of methane and other gases in the atmosphere can be measured with reasonable accuracy, pinpointing exact sources is another matter.

Smith says she would like to broaden her studies to lakes and wetlands in such sites as the Canadian Yukon, central Canada, Baffin Island and the upper midwestern region of the United States.

Other experts disagree with Smith's and Lewis' assumptions.

"Lakes probably do not contribute a large fraction of the total methane emissions," says Pieter P. Tans, head of the climate monitoring and diagnostic laboratories of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in Boulder.

"Generally speaking, the amounts of methane coming from lakes are contributors (to the global greenhouse effect), but they're not believed to be major contributors," says F. Sherwood Rowland,



(National Geographic photo) This Rocky Mountain lake may be a source of methane, the colorless, odorless gas that rises skyward and contributes to global warming. A recent study of mountain lakes found that the gas can build up beneath winter ice and escape in spring.

a chemistry professor at the University of California at Irvine.

Another expert, Inez Fung of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, rated several sources by the megatons — millions of tons — they add to the atmosphere each year: Rice pad-

dies contribute 100 megatons; animal emissions, 80; tropical wetlands, 80; northern wetlands, 35.

While not questioning those figures, Rowland says, "In general, the global knowledge of how much comes from each group is very weak."

Scientists agree on one point: Atmospheric methane's growth rate is slowing down after nearly doubling since the early 1800s. But they don't know why.

The rate now increases by about 1 percent a year. Some scientists predict that it will reach its global peak in 2006. The slowdown may be due partly to efforts to conserve

energy, raising hopes for a related slowdown in the greenhouse effect.

During the 1980s, Rowland says, carbon dioxide caused about half of the increase in global warming. Methane caused another 20 to 25 percent. The rest came from CFCs and other substances.

But unlike CFCs, which last for centuries, methane lasts only 10 years. There are about 500 megatons of methane in the world's atmosphere, Rowland says. If annual input could be reduced 10 percent, from 550 megatons to about 500, the atmospheric total would reach the break-even point.

"It's an argument for more than a gasoline tax," says Rowland. "It's an argument for a carbon tax. We could do a lot if we could attain the same level of efficiency that West Germany and Japan have." He acknowledges the political difficulties of levying such a tax.

Over the long haul, carbon dioxide poses a far greater threat than methane. Pieter Tans of NOAA puts it in perspective:

"Methane is a short-term problem compared to carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide isn't going to go away. The greenhouse effect is going to hang around."

### Couple is happy to remain married sans kids

DEAR ABBY: Allen (not his real name) and I have been happily married for nine years. We have no children — by choice. I am 33 and Allen is 34. Our problem is Allen's parents. Whenever we get together with his parents, they start in with, "When are you two going to settle down and give us some grandchildren?" Allen is their only child, and when they start in with the "baby" talk, we tell them, "In due time" or, "We're working on it," but the truth of the matter is, we like our life the way it is and don't want children.



Dear Abby  
Abigail Van Buren

We both are professionals and are well-rewarded. We enjoy traveling and have seen not only the United States, but Canada, Alaska, the Hawaiian Islands, Europe, South America and the Orient.

Allen's mother is now nagging us to see a fertility expert about our "problem" — she doesn't know there is no problem. I've been on birth control since our marriage.

I have never been disrespectful to my elders, but I don't know how much of their nagging I can take. Perhaps if you print this, they'll see it and recognize themselves, and leave us alone.

CHILDLESS BY CHOICE

DEAR CHILDLESS: Don't wait for them to see this. Tell them exactly what you've told me — that you like your life the way it is. Not every couple need children to complete their lives. And should you change your minds in a few years, who knows what the future will

have in store for you? You appear to be happy and well-adjusted. May it ever be thus.

DEAR ABBY: Recently a dear friend of mine passed away. Her obituary indicated that in lieu of flowers, the deceased requested that donations be made to her church.

Wanting to make a donation in memory of my friend, but not wanting to give money to a church of which I am not a member, I made a donation to a charity that has long been a favorite of mine. I asked that an acknowledgment be sent to my friend's family.

I have no idea if my friend had any interest in this particular charity or not. Did I act in error? Should I have contributed to my friend's church as was suggested in the obituary?

SECOND THOUGHTS

DEAR SECOND THOUGHTS: Obviously, your conscience has been gnawing at you. Since the deceased requested that in lieu of flowers, donations should be made to her church, I think you should have honored her request instead of contributing to a charity of your choice.

DEAR ABBY: I am new in this office. It seems the secretary whom I replaced had been bugged for years with a lot of pornographic literature. She had not ordered it and didn't want it, so she just threw it out as soon as she recognized the plain brown envelope.

This is how I finally put a stop to having all that garbage mailed to the office. I marked "DECEASED" across the envelope with a black felt-tip pen and dropped it in the mail chute.

JOYCE IN MC HENRY, ILL.

DEAR JOYCE: It wasn't necessary to "kill" anyone. You could have marked it "REFUSED — RETURN TO SENDER," and accomplished your mission.

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### Exposure to illicit drugs poses risk to unborn

By Richard F. Jones III, M.D.  
President  
The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

One of the riskiest behaviors that a pregnant woman can engage in is illicit drug use. Exposure of an unborn baby to addictive and dangerous substances such as cocaine and marijuana can result in a host of medical problems throughout pregnancy and after birth. Since any sexually active woman may become pregnant, if you use drugs and engage in sex you should consider the potential harm of exposing an unborn baby to drugs.

Cocaine is one of the most commonly used illicit drugs. It can be snorted, injected, or smoked in a highly purified form known as crack. In any form cocaine is one of the most hazardous drugs to

use during pregnancy.

Cocaine can result in a variety of pregnancy complications, including miscarriage, premature labor, and stillbirth. In addition, the drug quickly crosses the placenta (the tissue connecting the mother and fetus) subjecting the unborn baby to its potent chemical effects. Newborns who have been exposed to this drug in the womb face an increased risk of life-threatening strokes and seizures. They also tend to be abnormally small for their age, have stiff limbs, and in some cases have malformed organs.

Frequently cocaine-exposed babies have distinctive behavioral problems due to impairment of the nervous system. They tend to be hypersensitive and irritable, often crying uncontrollably for no apparent reason. As they age, they have trouble with physical coordination and mental concentration. Parents of these children

often have great difficulty trying to nurture and discipline them.

Marijuana, another commonly used drug in this country, also has been shown to adversely affect pregnancy and the unborn baby. Women who use marijuana tend to deliver early and their babies are often small. They are also more likely to gain inadequate weight during pregnancy and may have problems with labor. Although there is no conclusive evidence linking marijuana use to fetal malformations, some studies have shown that babies born to marijuana users may have tremors and vision abnormalities.

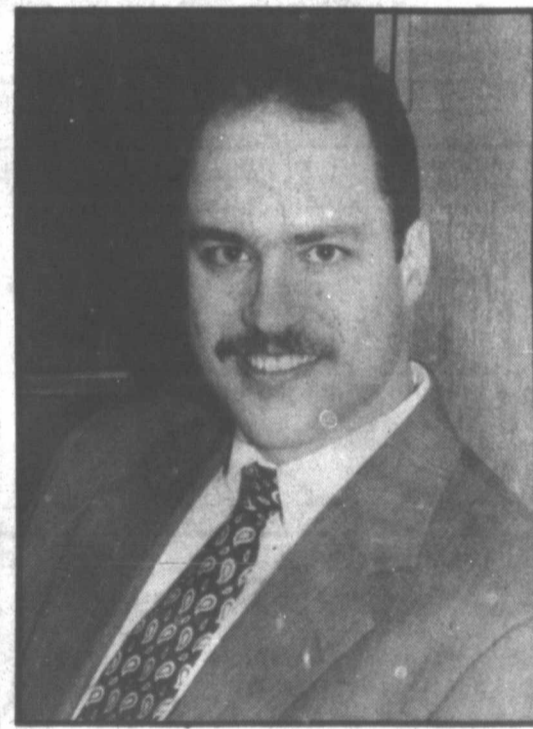
Quitting an addictive drug can be difficult. If you know you have a problem, ask your doctor or another health professional to help you quit. The sooner you control your drug use, the safer your pregnancy and your baby will be.

### Shakespeare Festival features discussions

A Shakespeare Festival sponsored by Pampa Fine Arts Association is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday and again Feb. 25 at Lovett Memorial Library.

The festival will consist of discussions led by Dr. Charmazel Dudi, chairman of the English Department of West Texas State University. Thursday the discussion

will center around Shakespeare and the Elizabethan stage. The Feb. 25 discussion will include "McBeth" and "The Tempest."



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### WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

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**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Substantial strides can be made today toward advancing your personal interests. In order to do this, you must be single-minded and focused on your objectives. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Things should begin to look up for you today regarding a situation where the odds had appeared to be working against you. The change could be due to Lady Luck's intervention.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** A more binding relationship may soon develop with someone you consider a mere acquaintance. The change will require time to unfold, but it will be lasting.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** You have the potential to achieve important objectives without the help of others today. However, a concerned ally will be watching in the wings, just in case you trip.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** This is a good day to do more than merely contemplate your future plans. Take what you have devised thus far and put it into action without further delay.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** When dealing with your special someone today, try to be protective without being possessive. If you are unable to perceive the line of demarcation, you could disturb the relationship.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** When making decisions today that could affect you and your mate, try to slant them in his or her favor instead of your own. This is a way to assure that both of you will benefit.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Complications could begin to develop if you form a romantic attachment with someone at work. Keep everything strictly business today.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Your extravagant urges might surface today and tempt you to spend resources when you shouldn't. Don't let unruly impulses dictate imprudent action.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** You are now entering a cycle where your luck should begin to show a marked improvement. However, if you start to coast, it could turn out to be counterproductive.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Ideas you conceive today could be superior to those of your associates. They will be more receptive to your thoughts if you make them feel they are co-authors.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Financial indicators look very encouraging for you today, and this means you should give top priority to matters that can either make or save you money.



# Sports

## Coaches fire back

By DOUG TUCKER  
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Firing the coach is a time-honored practice. Now, coaches are firing back.

"We will be looking at all firings," the executive director of the National Association of Basketball Coaches said Tuesday after issuing a statement in support of dismissed Cal coach Lou Campanelli, an unprecedented move in the NABC's 66-year history. "As we look at these situations, we'll look to see what happened and try to support the coach."

Since its inception in 1927, the NABC has been little more than part of the "old boy" network, never taking a significant part in the issues and governance of the sport. But increasing pressures have caused coaches to draw together.

Tuesday's statement in support of Campanelli was viewed as an important first step.

Campanelli was dismissed Feb. 8 despite a winning record, good academic reports and no suggestion of trouble with the NCAA.

"We can see no evidence of Coach Campanelli being granted rights that everyone deserves," the NABC said in a prepared statement. "If his employer had concerns regarding his job performance, he was entitled by fair standards to be informed and notified of the seriousness of those concerns in a timely manner and provided an opportunity to respond."

The NABC's 16-man board of directors met for almost 90 minutes by conference call to discuss Campanelli and the issue of coaches being fired during the season.

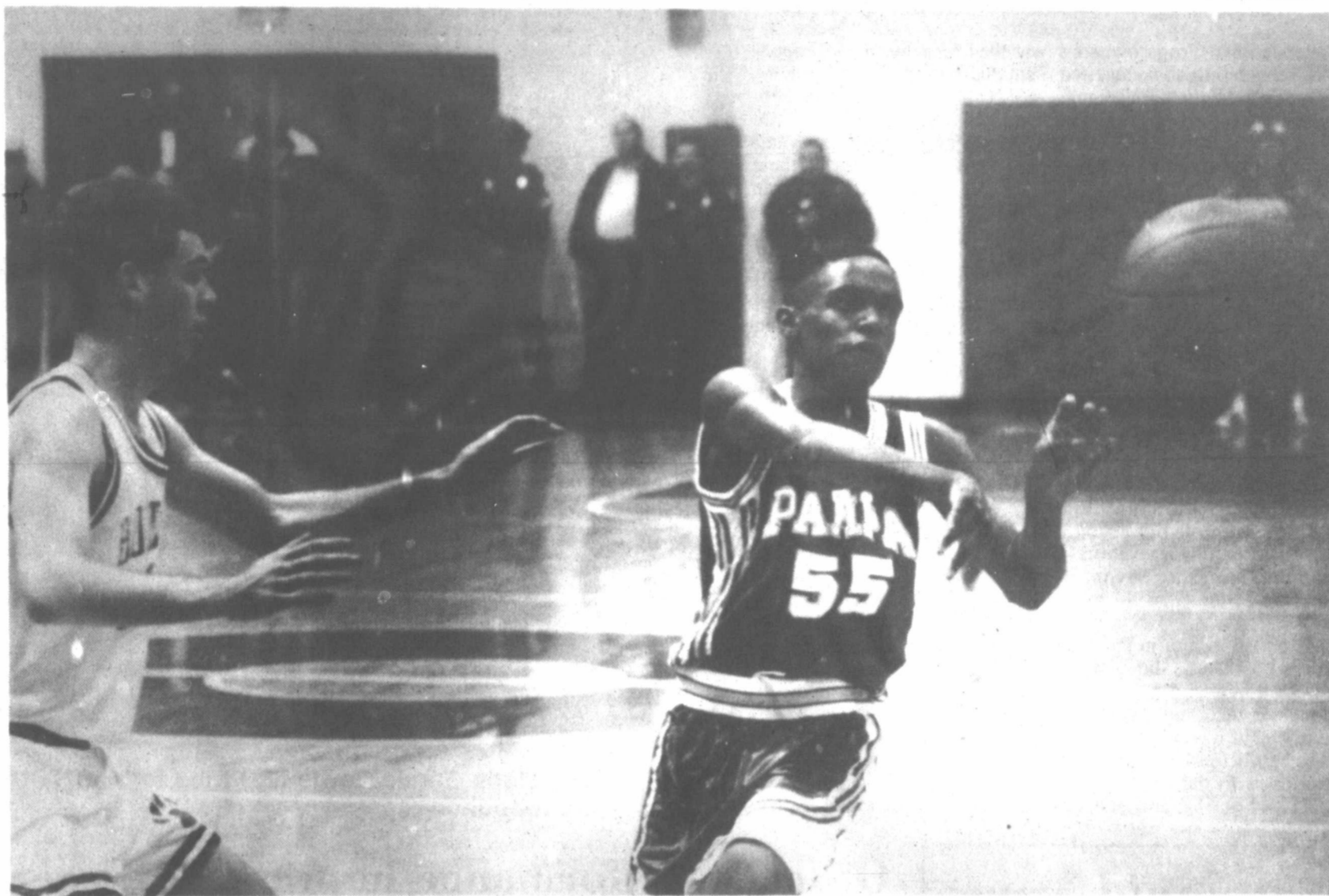
"Whether we like it or not, we know there are hirings and firings in this business and that the firing part may not be an aspect that's always palatable," the statement said. "But it's one that does exist and we have to accept that."

But the NABC termed Campanelli's dismissal as "a shock to the college basketball community."

"The NABC is not a judicial body, but the association must be concerned with the treatment of its members," it said.

Cal officials said Campanelli was fired because of abusive behavior toward athletes following recent games.

Cal athletic director Bob Bockrath fired Campanelli hours after meeting with a group of six players who complained about the coach.



Pampa's Rayford Young passes to a teammate during the fourth quarter of the District 1-4A finale at Borger Tuesday night.

(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

## Harvesters surge past Borger to claim district championship

By L.D. STRATE  
Sports Writer

BORGER — The Pampa Harvesters went on a fourth-quarter scoring surge to down Borger, 67-49, Tuesday night to win the District 1-4A title for the fifth consecutive year.

Pampa finished district with a 9-1 record while Caprock, which defeated Dumas, 69-44, last night was 8-2 for second place and the No. 2 seed in the playoffs.

The Pampa-Borger outcome was in doubt for three quarters before the Harvesters starting taking command, scoring nine unanswered points in the first four minutes of the fourth quarter.

With leading scoring Dwight Nickelberry saddled with three fouls, the Harvesters switched from

a man to zone defense in an effort to keep the 6-1 senior in the game. The strategy paid off as Nickelberry scored 15 of his game-high 22 points in the second half and Pampa's defense effectively shut down Borger. Pampa led, 44-39, at the end of the third quarter and Borger was never able to get back on top.

"Our guys did a great job. I'm just so proud of them," said PHS head coach Robert Hale. "Dwight picked up three fouls and we went to a zone defense, which is something we hadn't even worked on. They did a great job with it."

The lead changed six times in the first half with Borger ahead, 14-12, and 25-23, at the end of the first two quarters.

Late in the third quarter the Harvesters starting turning the tide in

their favor, beginning with Seivern Wallace's basket that gave Pampa 40-36 advantage. Dwight Nickelberry followed with a pair of foul shots and after Ryan McNelis' 3-pointer for Borger, Nickelberry struck again with a 10-foot jumper to give the Harvesters a 44-39 lead going into the final period.

A pair of quick scores by Wallace and Duane Nickelberry got Pampa off and running early in the fourth quarter as the Harvesters outscored the Bulldogs, 23-10, in the final eight minutes.

For the game, Borger had the edge in field goal percentage, 22 of 48 for 45.8 percent, compared to 24 of 60 for 40 percent for Pampa. But the Harvesters had the upper hand from the foul line, hitting 13 of 19 attempts. Borger was five of seven.

Duane Nickelberry added 18 points to Pampa's scoring attack. Wallace added 10.

Ali Fe Gillum was high scorer for Borger with 17 points while Tommy Miller chipped in 12.

The 23-5 Harvesters meet Lubbock Estacado in the Class 4A bi-district round at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the West Texas University field-house in Canyon.

### Individual scoring

Pampa 67, Borger 49  
Pampa: Dwight Nickelberry 22, Duane Nickelberry 18, Seivern Wallace 10, Coy Laury 6, Lamont Nickelberry 5, Matt Finney 4, Justin Collingsworth 2.

Borger: Ali Fe Gillum 17, Tommy Hunt 12, Alex Phillips 10, Ryan McNelis 3, Tommy Miller 3, Corey Armstrong 2, Colby Forrester 2.

## Hedley slips by McLean in girls' district playoff game

By DAN FROMM  
Sports Writer

The McLean Lady Tigers and the Hedley Lady Owls are as well-matched as two teams come. In their previous meetings this season, a combined total of five points have separated the winner from the loser. Last night at Clarendon College, in a district 11-1A playoff for second place, the Lady Owls edged McLean 53-51.

From their earlier district matchups (a 52-49 McLean victory on Jan. 12 and a 52-50 Hedley win on Jan. 29), you could have predicted the final score within a couple points. The only thing that was unpredictable was who would come out on top.

Hedley jumped out to a 12-0 lead in the first quarter and appeared to have control of the game.

McLean finally got on the scoreboard with just over two minutes left in the quarter, but didn't make a field goal until more than seven minutes had passed. They trailed 14-6 at the end of the first.

After the game, McLean coach Cherry Eldridge acknowledged how difficult it is to come back from that kind of deficit. "It's tough to get down 12 and try to catch up. They really took control of the game early on," he said.

But the Lady Tigers clawed their way back into the game with pressure defense and better shooting in the second quarter. They went on a 6-1 run to start the quarter and closed the lead to two, 26-24 with 10 seconds left in the half. Hedley's Dana Monroe was fouled on an off-balance three-point attempt. The shot wasn't close, but Monroe made her first two free throws. Monroe's third try bounced off the rim and into the hands of one of her teammates. A last-second put-back made it 30-24 at halftime.

"We made the mistakes, but we still played hard," Eldridge said of that four-point play after his Lady Tigers had struggled so hard to come back.

But the game was far from over. In their district opener, Hedley had taken a five-point lead into the fourth quarter against the Lady Tigers and ended up losing by three. In fact, in their two regular-season meetings, McLean outscored Hedley 57-48 in the second half.

"We've gained a lot of confidence since we played that first game," Hedley coach Russell Schaub said. "We've learned to handle the ball better at the end of the game also. We've still got a long way to go, but we're getting better every time we play."

The Lady Tigers again made a run in the third quarter, taking their first lead of the game 33-32 with just under four minutes gone in the second half. Junior Mindy Magee scored nine of her game-high 21 points in the third quarter, but picked up her fourth foul with more than three minutes left.

Hedley took a 42-40 lead into the final quarter and went up 47-40 with six minutes left to play. Becci McCarty sparked yet another McLean comeback, scoring four straight points... and then there was one. After Magee nailed a baseline jumper, one point was the difference between going to the post-season and going home.

McLean's Heather Hess, who came off the bench to score 12 points, tied the game at 51 by making the front end of a one-and-one attempt with 2:10 left.

The score remained deadlocked for nearly two minutes when Monroe stepped to the line with 18 seconds left. She was already 6-8 from the line. She calmly made both free throws to put Hed-

ley ahead 53-51.

The Lady Tigers had one more chance, but Magee's shot bounced off the back of the rim and the Lady Owls grabbed the rebound.

"We had the last shot set up and we missed it, but it could've gone either way," Eldridge said. "We're a very young team and that all comes with being young."

"But I told the girls to keep their heads up. They worked hard... hard enough to win it. We just couldn't get that last shot to go down or we would have won it."

The Lady Owls play Valley Friday in a bi-district game and McLean will have to wait until next year. But Eldridge is confident his team will improve. Their two leading scorers and four of their five starters are returning.

"We're just starting at McLean," Eldridge said with a smile. "You're gonna hear a lot from us."

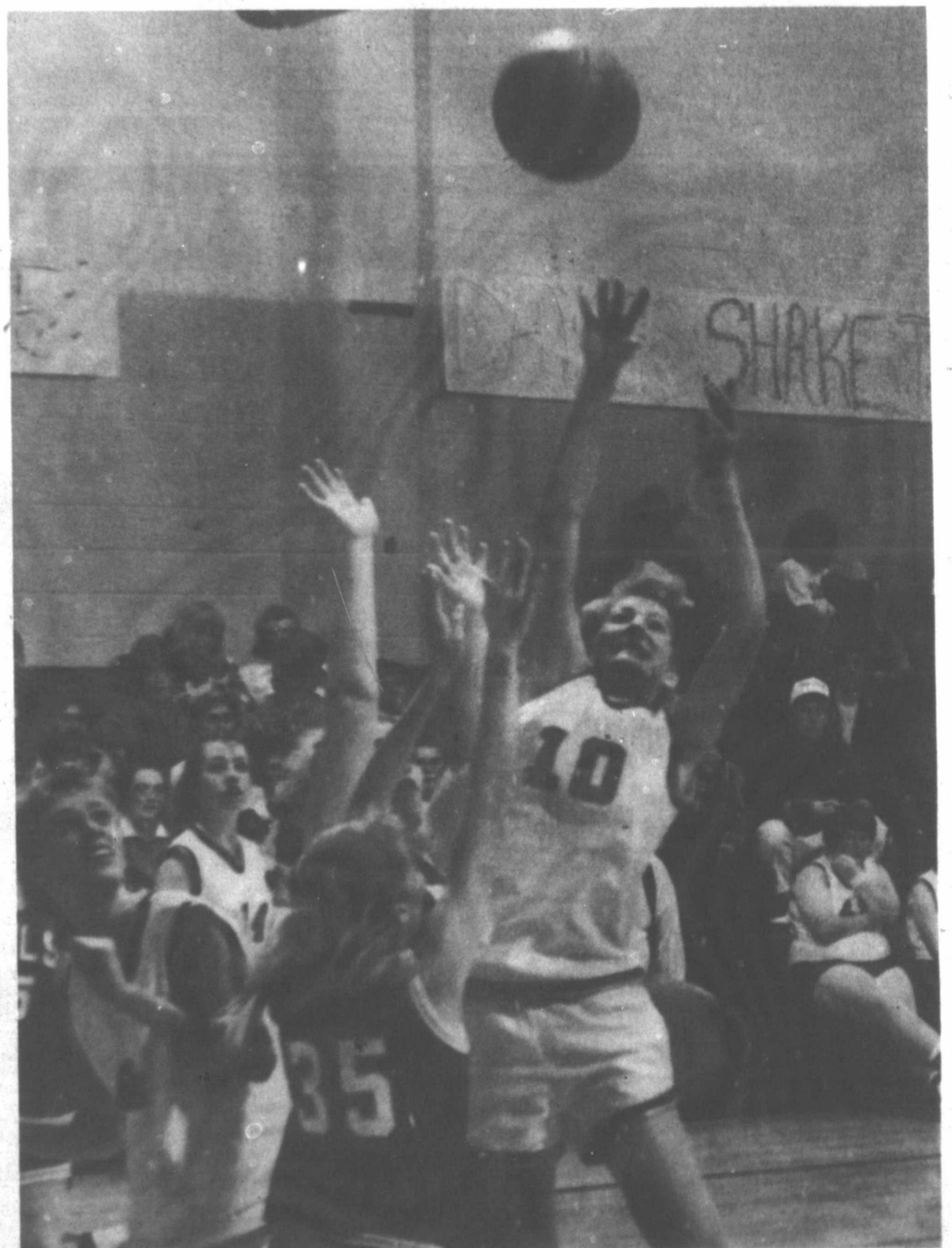
The Groom Tigerettes played a warmup game against Quanah Tuesday night, winning 49-34 behind Karen Babcock's 15 points.

Misty Homen added 10 points for Groom as they prepared for their bi-district game against Silverton Friday night. The Tigerettes lead the entire game, improving their season record to 25-3.

Coach Terry O'Dell said afterwards, "We played well tonight and got what we wanted out of it. It was a good team effort."

Babcock is averaging 26 points in her last three games and O'Dell is looking forward to the playoffs.

"Karen's coming on strong and the whole team has really picked it up lately," he said.



McLean's Mindy Magee goes up for a shot while teammate Heather Hess, left, looks on.

(Staff photo by Dan Fromm)

# Mustangs solidify hold on first in SWC standings

DALLAS (AP) — Southern Methodist bettered its hold on first place in the Southwest Conference Tuesday night behind strong defense and Tim Mason's 14 points for a 60-53 victory over Texas Christian.

SMU improved to 9-1 in the SWC (16-5 overall), stretching its lead over runner-up Rice to a game and a half.

TCU, led by Allen Tolley's 21 points, fell to 2-8 in the conference, 5-16 overall.

SMU's defense limited TCU to 30 percent shooting from the field. The Mustangs have allowed only two opponents to shoot better than 50 percent all season.

After trailing for most of the game's first 26 minutes, SMU took control with a 15-5 run capped by Mason's two free throws with 6:03 to play. Mike Wilson started the spurt with a dunk, giving the Mustangs the lead for good, 36-35.

Wilson and Gerald Lewis added 11 points each for SMU.

Eric Dailey had 11 points and 17 rebounds for TCU.

TCU led at halftime, 28-25 behind Tolley's 16 points. The

smaller Horned Frogs owned a 25-18 rebounding advantage led by Dailey's 11, helping negate 31 percent shooting from the field.

Tolley's two free throws after time had expired came on a technical foul called against SMU center Greg Kinzer.

TCU held a 22-16 advantage with 6:28 left in the half before SMU went on a 9-4 run capped by Lewis' jumper with 1:48 to play.

SMU won its sixth straight game, the school's longest winning streak since the 1987-88 season, and 11th in its last 12 starts.

Lewis played the key defensive role for SMU, guarding Tolley throughout the second half. Tolley had five second-half points, missing seven of nine shots in the final 20 minutes.

"I switched to him in the second half because he did so well in the first half and we needed someone to take him out of his rhythm," said Lewis, considered SMU's best defensive stopper. "I take pride in my defense."

was the lowest by an SMU opponent this season.

SMU hadn't played since Feb. 9 and it took a while for the Mustangs to get untracked. Their point total was 22 under their season average as TCU was able to dictate a deliberate tempo.

"Coming off a layoff, we were a little rusty," Wilson said. "TCU gave us a wake-up call early, then we came back and played the way we're supposed to. They did get us playing a slowdown game but we know we can play at that tempo."

TCU may have shot poorly, but the Horned Frogs more than held their own under the boards. TCU held a 39-38 rebounding edge even though Dailey, at 6-6 the Frogs' starting center, is five inches shorter than Kinzer, SMU's first-string post man.

SMU outrebounded TCU in the teams' first meeting this season, a 79-65 Mustang victory on Jan. 20 in Fort Worth.

"SMU outrebounded us by 14 in the first game so I knew that I was going to have to hit the boards tonight," Dailey said. "I also had to hit my shots, but I couldn't get the ball to fall at all."



Southern Methodist's Gerald Lewis (22) tries to beat TCU's Jentry Moore (30) and Eric Dailey (35) to a rebound.

## Money problems could bring about college football playoff

By RICK WARNER  
AP Football Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The No. 1 problem in college athletics could lead to a new system of determining the No. 1 team in college football.

The problem is money. And one of the possible solutions is a Division I-A playoff that could generate \$60 million for financially troubled athletic departments.

Although most coaches and college presidents remain opposed to a playoff, NCAA executive director Dick Schultz thinks there will be one by the end of the decade. He said Tuesday that economic pressures will force schools to seriously consider the idea.

"There are a lot of things outside the control of coaches and presidents and athletic directors that might take place that could have some impact on what happens in the late '90s," Schultz told the NCAA College Football Forum.

At last month's NCAA convention, Schultz asked members to consider a one-game playoff as a major source of new revenue. While he concedes there hasn't been much support for his proposal, Schultz thinks that will change as more and more schools struggle to fund their athletic programs.

"We could do a lot with \$60 million," he said.

Most coaches are against a playoff because they believe it would destroy the bowl system. But Schultz pointed out that the bowls are already being

hurt by the NFL's extended season, which has led to a glut of games on New Year's Day and hard times for late December bowls that must compete with the pros.

"Most of those non-New Year's games have gone to syndication or cable," Schultz said. "And the post-season bowl committee, which had a plan to continue to raise the payouts, has had to hold the line for the last couple of years or we would have lost a couple of bowls."

While Division I-A football and basketball programs generally make money, almost all other sports are in the red. And the financial strain could get even worse as the NCAA tries to achieve "gender equity" by increasing opportunities for female athletes.

Football coaches are worried that cuts may have to be made in their sport in order to fund women's teams. But Schultz said the goal is to increase opportunities for women without reducing them for men.

"Perhaps there does have to be some paring of programs, but I don't think anybody wants to do anything that's going to damage football or damage basketball or damage men's sports," he said.

Instead, Schultz said, college officials should consider adding new women's sports such as figure skating.

"It's a beautiful sport with tremendous interest in the Olympics," he said. "Maybe we have to take a look at some of these programs."

## O'Neal's performance impressive, except at the foul line

By The Associated Press

Shaquille O'Neal's line in the boxscore is as impressive as they come: 46 points on 19-of-25 shooting, 21 rebounds and five blocked shots.

Read a little closer, however, and another line stands out: 8-of-16 free throw shooting.

Inaccuracy from the line has been O'Neal's weakness all season (59 percent), and on Tuesday night it helped cost Orlando a win.

O'Neal missed five straight foul shots — including four in overtime — as Detroit beat the Magic 124-120.

In other NBA action, it was New York 117, Dallas 87; New Jersey 100, Milwaukee 88; Phoenix 110, Boston 97; Houston 149, Philadelphia 111; Seattle 112, Washington 102; Golden State 133, San Antonio 112, and Portland 105, Atlanta 90.

"I played pretty well. I missed a lot of free throws, so obviously I'm upset at that," O'Neal said. "I had a chance to put it away and I didn't put it away, but next time I'm in that situation, I'll put it away."

O'Neal's performance impressed Detroit's Joe Dumars, whose 39 points tied a season-high he set against Orlando on Jan. 2.

"I didn't need this game to tell me he's for real. This was just his confirmation," Dumars said.

Although O'Neal made a club-record 12 straight shots, the missed free throws stuck in his mind.

"It was pretty frustrating," he said. "I'm the type of guy to have no excuse for missing free throws. I just miss them."

O'Neal's point total set a single-game record for most points scored at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

### Warriors 133, Spurs 112

The San Antonio Spurs, playing their third game in four nights, had their eight-game

winning streak snapped by undermanned Golden State at Oakland, Calif.

Golden State played without Chris Mullin (thumb injury), Billy Owens (knee injury) and leading rebounder Tyrone Hill (death in the family). San Antonio was without Sean Elliott (strained back) and Antoine Carr (bruised right hand).

The Spurs outscored Golden State 10-2 at the beginning of the third period and still led 73-70 with 6:04 left, but the Warriors outscored them 29-10 to lead 99-83 at the end of the period.

Golden State led by as much as 21 in the final quarter.

## NBA roundup

### Rockets 149, 76ers 111

At Houston, the Rockets shot a franchise-best 68.5 percent and Robert Horry had a career-high 29 points.

It was a season high in points and the largest victory margin for Houston since beating Dallas 117-96 on Dec. 5. Philadelphia lost for the seventh time in eight games.

Houston's best previous shooting performance was 66.7 percent against Portland in 1984. The NBA record is 70.7 percent by the San Antonio Spurs in 1983.

### Trail Blazers 105, Hawks 90

The Trail Blazers snapped a four-game home losing streak, their longest since the 1988-89 season.

Terry Porter's two free throws to open the fourth gave Portland an 82-73 lead, and Rod Strickland's three-point play gave the Blazers their biggest lead, 92-82 with 4:46 left.

Dominique Wilkins, who had a game-high 31 points, responded with six straight points, closing the lead to 92-88. But Portland outscored the Hawks 13-2 the rest of the way.

### Suns 110, Celtics 97

At Phoenix, Charles Barkley had 32 points and 12 rebounds and led the Suns with nine assists as point guard Kevin Johnson sat out with a bruised calf muscle.

"This was a grind-out game," said Barkley. "I think tonight without KJ we struggled a little bit."

The Celtics led 31-27 after the first period, but shot only 29 percent in the second and scored just 15 points, allowing Phoenix to take a 54-46 halftime lead. Boston stayed close until midway through the fourth quarter.

### Nets 100, Bucks 88

At East Rutherford, N.J., Drazen Petrovic and Derrick Coleman combined to score 25 of New Jersey's 29 fourth-quarter points as the Nets rallied for a win.

Petrovic finished with 28 points — including 11 in the final period — and Coleman added 27 points and 16 rebounds as New Jersey won for the fifth time in six games and registered its sixth straight home victory.

### Knicks 117, Mavericks 87

At New York, Hubert Davis hit his first seven shots and finished with 18 points as the Knicks won easily.

The loss dropped Dallas to 0-21 away from home, with only one of those losses by less than 14 points.

New York, which placed seven players in double figures, led 34-20 after one period and extended the margin to 68-41 at halftime, surpassing its previous first-half high of 63 points.

### SuperSonics 112, Bullets 102

At Seattle, the Bullets trailed by 19 points in the fourth quarter, but went on a 16-0 run to close within 99-96 with 4:42 to go. That was the closest Washington got, though.

"We were a little sloppy in the fourth quarter," Seattle coach George Karl said. "We just didn't put the hammer down like we should have."

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## Soccer signups are Friday, Saturday

Spring signups for the Pampa Soccer Association are scheduled for Friday and Saturday at the Pampa Mall.

Youngsters must be four years old as of July 31, 1992 to participate in the soccer program. New players are required to bring a birth certificate to the signups, which will be from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Youngsters who played in the league last year do not need to sign up again.

## Texas Tech hires new recruiting coordinator

LUBBOCK (AP) — Jack Tayrien, Midland Independent School District Athletic Director, Tuesday was named football recruiting coordinator for Texas Tech University.

Tayrien, who coached at Tech from 1986-89, will assume his duties on March 8. The Odessa native has spent most of his coaching career in West Texas, including high school stints at Big Spring and Midland Lee under Tech head coach Spike Dykes.

Tayrien, 52, became Midland ISD's athletic director in 1989.

Dykes also moved three other coaches around Tuesday. Doyle Parker, who replaced Tayrien as recruiting coordinator in 1990, will move to offensive assistant coach in charge of tight ends.

Dean Campbell, who was hired last year to coach linebackers, will take over the secondary duties previously held by Carlos Mainord. Mainord resigned last week to take a coaching job with the Chicago Bears.

Offensive coordinator Dick Winder was named assistant head coach.

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# Administration may seek taxes on health benefits

By CHRISTOPHER CONNELL  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is considering taxing employee health benefits to help finance medical care for poorer Americans and may also try to limit insurers' premium increases to bring down costs.

President Clinton's health care task force is also discussing ways to extend Medicare limits on doctors' and hospitals' fees to those they charge private insurance plans.

Hillary Rodham Clinton, who heads the task force, spent more than 3 1/2 hours closeted in meetings with almost 60 members of the House on Tuesday to discuss the reform effort.

The White House acknowledged that a senior policy adviser, Ira Magaziner, had written a memo outlining a slew of possible tax increases to pay for the estimated \$30 billion to \$90 billion annual cost of extending coverage to America's 36 million uninsured.

The *Wall Street Journal* reported that Magaziner had laid out such money-raising options as a tax on insurance company premiums, making workers pay income taxes on health benefits above certain levels, new levies on alcohol and tobacco and a higher corporate tax.

Mrs. Clinton turned aside questions about taxes, saying, "There isn't a plan yet." But she added, "It's time this country faced reality and dealt with its problems."

A portion of the Magaziner memo of Jan. 26 obtained by *The Associated Press* laid out the task force's preliminary work plan. It said Clinton's bill would be drafted around principles that included:

—Creating a National Health Board to set a standard comprehen-

sive benefit package for all Americans.

—Forcing all employers "to pay a percentage (perhaps 75-80 percent) of the cost of a standard plan for their employees and dependents."

—Setting up state-based health insurance purchasing cooperatives to negotiate coverage for small businesses and individuals. Consumers would choose the plan they wanted during open-enrollment periods.

—The unemployed and others outside the work force could buy subsidized coverage through these cooperatives.

—Consumers would be "given incentives to choose efficient plans," possibly by making them pay extra for more extensive coverage and taxing a portion of their employer-provided insurance.

Willis Graddison, president of the Health Insurance Association of America and a former Republican congressman, said a tax on premiums would be "bad news for consumers. You don't hold down health insurance costs by having government load additional costs on the companies."

The Magaziner memo warned: "Any comprehensive health reform plan will be controversial." It said critics will charge that global budgets will lead to rationing and that insurance reforms such as community rating will drive premiums up for the "young, male and healthy."

The White House has said that Clinton will ask Congress tonight to hold down Medicare payments to doctors and hospitals as part of his short-term deficit reduction plan.

Mrs. Clinton's task force is working on a longer time frame for health reform. Clinton has promised to send Congress his legislation by May.

Rep. Steve Gunderson, R-Wis.,

said Mrs. Clinton "indicated that literally everything is on the table. ... She is very well schooled on the issues. A couple of members said, 'If you didn't know anything about it, you sure learned it fast.'"

He said that among Republicans at the meeting there were "mixed

feelings on that issue of taxing health benefits."

Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., the House minority whip, called it "a good beginning" but said it was unclear how closely the GOP would be involved in the task force's deliberations.

Rep. Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., is the Republicans' liaison to the task force.

"It was a hopeful start," said Gingrich. "People made very clear that if they go towards global budgeting and general government controls from the top, that

probably we'd be overwhelmingly opposed."

And he noted that the first lady had found time to meet with the Republicans, while her husband has not. "That's a mistake by President Clinton, but a smart thing by Mrs. Clinton," he said.

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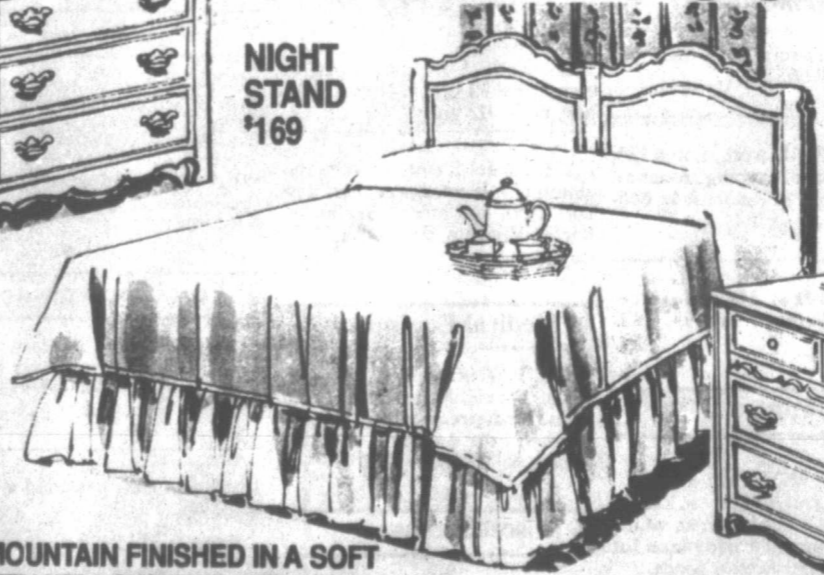
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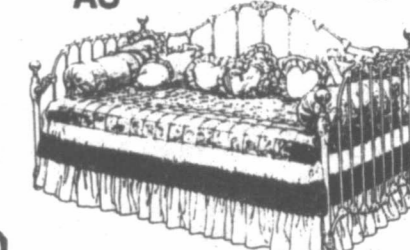


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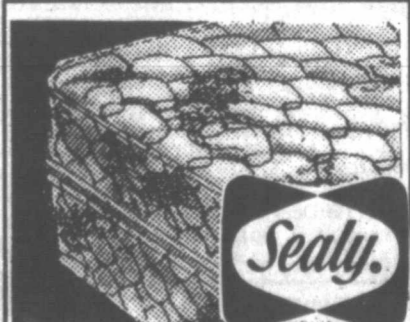
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(AP Photo) First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, head of the presidential health care task force, speaks with House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., on Capitol Hill Tuesday.

## Former CBS news president Richard Salant dies at 78

FAIRFIELD, Conn. (AP) — Retired CBS News President Richard Salant, who oversaw the introduction of "60 Minutes" and the CBS Morning News, died Tuesday while giving a speech. He was 78.

Salant was speaking at a luncheon meeting of a group of senior citizens at the Country Club of Fairfield when he collapsed, CBS reported. The network said the cause of death was heart failure.

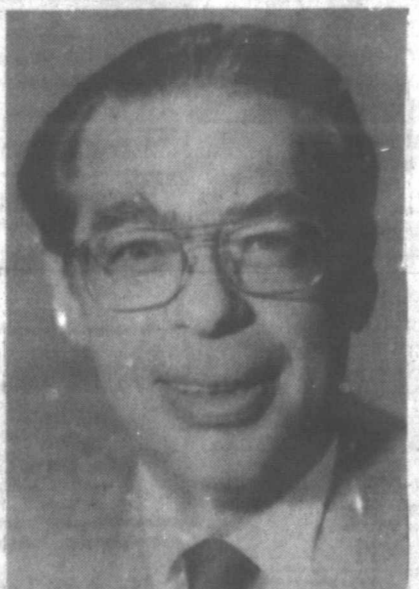
"Dick was doing what he loved best," said Mike Wallace, CBS News correspondent. "He was talking about covering news and the difficulties reporters face in getting to the heart of a story."

Salant, who retired in 1979, was known as a staunch defender of First Amendment rights and a television news pioneer. Former CBS News anchor Walter Cronkite called him "a pillar of our profession."

"Dick Salant was one of the founding fathers of CBS News," said Howard Stringer, president of the CBS Broadcast Group.

"For television news, Dick Salant wrote the book on integrity, ethics and excellence," CBS Evening News anchor Dan Rather said. "During his time at CBS, he set the world's standard for broadcast news leadership, and he managed to change television without actually appearing on it."

Salant was president of CBS News from 1961 to 1964, when he was named special assistant to the



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network's president and a vice president of corporate affairs. He returned to head the network's news division in 1966 and remained in that job until retiring in 1979.

Salant directed CBS's coverage of the Vietnam War, the Apollo 11 moon landing and the assassinations of President Kennedy, Martin Luther King Jr. and Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

During his tenure, the CBS Evening News became the first half-hour network newscast to be televised each Monday through Friday. CBS's top-rated news magazine "60 Minutes" and the CBS Morning News were also introduced.