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## Commissioners pave way for street improvements

By RANDAL K. MCGAVOCK  
Staff Writer

In Tuesday's meeting of the Pampa City Commission, commissioners unanimously voted to accept the bid on the first phase of the street improvement program.

A bid of \$399,127.85 was received from J. Lee Milligan Inc. It was the lowest of the four bids submitted.

The first part is the base bid for six inches of new base and a surface. It totals \$396,568.85 of the final bid.

The second part is for pre-coated rock and totals \$2,559.

Two years ago when the project was first studied, the repairs in the first phase were estimated at \$400,000, according to City Manager Glen Hackler.

Pavement of the dirt streets is slated to begin around the beginning of May and continue through mid-August. If the project lasts any longer than the middle or last of August, the pavement might suffer because of cold weather, according to Richard Morris, head of the city's engineering department.

One of the major problems faced by the city in the pavement of streets in the southeast and west of the city in drainage, according to Morris.

"It's extremely flat, especially in the east-west direction," Morris said.

To illustrate his point, the elevation in a large area of the southeast section only has one inch to 1 3/4 inch of drainage per 100 feet. To get good drainage, according to Morris, a slope of 1/4 inch per foot is needed.

Phase two of the street improvement project is scheduled to begin during the summer after bids are submitted and continue through next year. Unlike the first phase, phase two will consist of the total reconstruction of many city streets.

In other new business the City Commission authorized the Pampa Police Department to submit a law enforcement grant application to the Governor's Criminal Justice Grant Fund.

The money would be used to hire a police officer and operate an office to deal specifically with violent crime and gang-related problems.

According to Hackler, the program has three facets. The first is the public participation, the second is public education and the last is a strict zero-tolerance stance by area law enforcement.

In the work session of the commission's meeting, Police Chief Chuck Flemings addressed the commissioners. He said the police officer and the office was needed because of the growing workload that already exists.

"We need that extra person," Flemings said. "We have crime prevention and neighborhood watch and we have those people loaded down to the hilt and there's not much more room or time for them to give. If the funds are available, this is a good thing for use to go after."

The commission also accepted a \$1,000 bid for delinquent tax property at 416 N. Russell.

The property was appraised at \$14,550 and had back taxes of \$2,955.10 assessed on it. The house, which is located on a 65-

by-125 lot has been in the possession of the city since June 1992.

In two other bids approved by the City Commission, \$5,712 worth of red clay was purchased from B&B Solvent and \$7,976 of washed sand was purchased from Borg-er Sand and Gravel.

The clay and sand will be used at Recreation Park in the infields of the four softball diamonds. Softball season is scheduled to begin soon.

Commissioners also approved a list of disbursements for February and the request for a depository agreement for the city was granted.

The bid was awarded to Citizens Bank and Trust. Only two bids were submitted, one from Citizens Bank and one from the First National Bank. The bid is resubmitted every two years.

The City Commission went into executive session to discuss the purchase of a water well located near Recreation Park from E.L. Hudson for a price of \$17,500.

The commissioners then reconvened and voted unanimously to accept the purchase.

In the city manager's report, Hackler said a planning seminar tentatively scheduled for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 24 was being planned.

In addition, Hackler said a five-year lease agreement for office space between the Texas Railroad Commission and Pampa was close to being approved. The biggest difference in the new lease would be the increase in rent. Currently, the TRC pays \$550 per month. In the new lease, the TRC would pay \$750 a month.

### A little off the top



Retired farmer Eddie Gray takes advantage of warm Tuesday temperatures as he trims his shrubs

## No takers so far in Lefors City Council election

LEFORS — No names will be listed on the ballot for three Lefors City Council positions when residents go to the polls on May 1 because no one filed by the deadline last Wednesday.

And to date, no one has filed as a write-in candidate for one of the three open positions, said City Secretary Phyllis Crutcher.

Crutcher said the filing deadline of March 17 came and went with no one filing to be listed on the ballot.

Crutcher said she was not sure why no one filed for any of the positions. However, she said that residents still have until April 1 to file as write-in candidates.

Under state law, for votes to be counted for a person, that person must have officially filed as a candidate on the ballot or as a write-in candidate.

Three City Council member positions, currently held by Derl Boyd, Pat Seely and Molly Turpen, are up for election.

The positions are for two-year terms.

Turpen, who was appointed in August to fill a vacancy created when Wendell Akins was named mayor, said she is undecided on whether she will file as a write-in candidate.

Seely said she is also undecided on filing as a write-in candidate. Boyd could not be reached for comment this morning.

The Lefors City Council is made up of five council members and the mayor.

— Beth Miller

## Officials considering business zone change

By RANDAL K. MCGAVOCK  
Staff Writer

Pampa's Planning and Zoning Commission voted Tuesday night to recommend a change in a city zoning ordinance to the City Commission.

Both of the commissions called a special meeting to hear from the public on the change to Ordinance No. 690. The amended ordinance would allow specific use permits in retail zoning districts and pertain to outdoor amusements.

The first reading of the ordinance was held Tuesday. In order to change the ordinance it will have to go through one more reading before the City Commission and then be changed through another ordinance.

Last year Benny Horton, a local businessman, inquired into constructing a miniature golf course on one of three acres of land across the street from Central Park.

The land was zoned retail and an outdoor miniature golf course is considered a commercial business. As a result, Horton was barred from building an outdoor miniature golf course.

The only alternative was a change in the ordinance and a specific use permit.

"I think it's in Pampa's best interest, the zoning board needs the flexibility," Horton said. "A zoning board with flexibility on a case-by-case basis would be very important to Pampa because it would allow someone with a business to come and they (the zoning commission) would say, 'Yes, you can do that on a retail situation.'"

By using a specific use permit to change a retail property to a commercial property, the city can regulate the business to a greater extent than normal. For instance, the city could dictate the hours of operation to comply with area curfews.

A total of eight people spoke, not including Horton, in favor of changing the ordinance. Some mentioned how it would be best for the local economy while others spoke about how it would help parents to have the golf course.

No one spoke in opposition of the ordinance change.

According to Horton, if the ordinance is changed and a permit is issued, the miniature golf course could be in operation within two or three years.

## Cultists accuse agents of firing first shots

WACO (AP) — Law officers turned up the verbal heat on cult leader David Koresh today, portraying him as a liar for not ending the armed standoff that reached its 25th day.

At the daily news briefing by authorities, FBI agent Bob Ricks said Koresh had put off negotiations today by saying it was a "high holy day" to his followers.

"We thought we were working toward a resolution," Ricks said. "What we get today is 'We're not even going to talk to you.' This is not, to me, taking progressive steps toward getting this issue resolved."

He noted that Koresh had twice broken promises to end the siege — on March 2 after being given national radio access and last week when he declared the matter would be over in days.

"It appears that keeping one's word does not necessarily apply to Mr. Koresh," Ricks said, adding that authorities' patience was "not inexhaustible."

The FBI agent was particularly harsh when asked about conditions for the 17 children inside the cult's rural compound.

Meanwhile, cult members Brad Branch and Kevin Whitecliff told reporters outside the federal courthouse in Waco that the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms was to blame for the Feb. 28 firefight that killed four agents and an unknown number of cult members.

"ATF shot first," said Whitecliff, 31. "Absolutely," said Branch, 34. Both men left the compound Friday.

Scott Peterson, an attorney for cult mem-

ber Kathryn Schroeder, said his client also maintains the ATF shot first.

But ATF associate director Dan Conroy said, "When we came into the compound and our agents exited the vehicles and went up to the door and announced our office loud and clear, the door was slammed in our face and we were immediately met by gunfire from numerous places and windows."

Schroeder, 30, been scheduled for a hearing this morning on her request to be released from custody. But the hearing, and a similar one for Oliver Gyarfars, 19, was postponed pending transcripts of a previous hearing.

Livingston Fagan, 33, who left Tuesday, said the remaining cult members will leave the compound "when God decrees it."

## Clinton signals military might be able to bar gays from some jobs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Job restrictions for homosexuals in the military "must be explored" as part of President Clinton's move to lift the ban on gays in the armed forces, the White House said today.

"You can't just sweep it under the carpet and pretend it doesn't need to be looked at," said Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers. "It does, along with a number of other things."

Myers said Clinton had made no final decisions but believes that restricting jobs homosexuals may hold in the military is "something that must be explored."

At his first formal news conference, the president said Thursday he wouldn't rule out restricting the duties of homosexuals "depending on what the grounds and arguments were."

Clinton said that if it were constitutionally permissible for the military to discriminate against people based on their sexual orientation, "I would think you could make appropriate distinctions on duty assignments once they're in."

"The courts have historically given quite wide berth to the military to make judgments of that kind in terms of duty assignments," he said.



President Clinton gestures during a news conference Tuesday in the East Room of the White House.

The president also voiced pessimism about U.S. companies getting access to Japanese markets, made another pitch for his economic stimulus package and offered fresh support for Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

Clinton quickly warmed up to the crowd of reporters in the White House's ornate East Room and seemed at ease parrying questions that spanned issues from Russian economic reforms to hangings in Mississippi jails.

The only sore spot came when a questioner suggested that his effectiveness as commander in chief had been limited by his support for homosexuals in the military and because he never served in the armed forces.

"I don't have a problem being commander in chief," Clinton replied frostily.

Clinton's comments about possibly limiting the military assignments of homosexuals drew quick criticism from gay rights leaders.

"Any suggestion that gays and lesbians should be discriminated against either in terms of entering or staying in the armed forces, or in terms of the job they get, is ridiculous," said Tim McFeeley, head of the Human Rights Campaign Fund.

But Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Mass., an openly gay member of Congress, said that "given the context and brevity of the president's remarks, it is not clear how they should be interpreted."

And Studds noted that Clinton was asked only whether segregating assignments would be constitutional, not whether it would be just or proper.

Addressing U.S. ties with Japan, Clinton said the persistent trade surplus enjoyed by Tokyo "never seems to change very much." He said that

suggests "the possibility of obtaining real even access to the Japanese market is somewhat remote."

He renewed his support for higher tariffs on foreign-made minivans, saying he was "astonished" that the Bush administration "gave a \$300 million-a-year freebie to the Japanese for no apparent reason. And we got nothing — and I emphasize nothing — in return."

The president said he hoped to address the minivan issue "in the context of a larger set of trade issues to be raised first with the Japanese government before acting unilaterally."

Clinton is scheduled to meet April 16 with Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa in preparation for a July summit of Western leaders in Tokyo.

With Yeltsin's footing in Russia appearing increasingly precarious, early questioning in the news conference focused on U.S. support for the embattled leader of the democracy movement in Moscow.

Clinton pledged "an aggressive and quite specific plan" of aid for Russia at his April 3-4 summit with Yeltsin. "Russia is and must remain a democracy," he said.

He tied together his international and domestic agendas by telling reporters "we must not only continue to support reform and change abroad, but also the revitalization of our economy here at home."

Clinton reiterated his hope that the Senate would follow the House lead and act favorably on his budget and economic stimulus package.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**BROWN**, Marvin DeWitt 'Brownie' — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Higgins.  
**DUSAPIN**, Lelah — 2 p.m., graveside, Mountview Cemetery, Billings, Mont.  
**MAYFIELD**, Erma — 1 p.m., graveside, Shamrock Cemetery.  
**STEPHENS**, Lois — 2 p.m., graveside, Fairview Cemetery.

## Obituaries

**MARVIN DeWITT 'BROWNIE' BROWN HIGGINS** — Marvin DeWitt "Brownie" Brown, 63, father of two Pampa residents, died Monday, March 22, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Miller, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Higgins Cemetery by Mason Funeral Home of Shattuck, Okla.

Mr. Brown was born on July 5, 1929, in Plainview to Marvin L. and Lola A. (Pearman) Brown. He grew up and attended schools at Levelland. He married Dorothy L. Lewis in 1952 at Eugene, Ore. They moved to Higgins in 1960 and he worked for Transwestern Pipeline Co. as a measurement technician. He retired in 1985 after more than 25 years of service. He attended the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Christine L. Hines of Pampa and Barbara Jean Preston of Elk City, Okla.; a son, David Wayne Brown of Pampa; three grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by a son, Billy Marvin Dean, and a daughter, Sandra Thrasher.

### ERMA MAYFIELD

**SHAMROCK** — Erma Mayfield, 87, died Tuesday, March 23, 1993. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in Shamrock Cemetery. Arrangements are by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Mayfield married Bit Mayfield in 1929 at Shamrock. She worked for Superior Dry Cleaners for about 50 years. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Erma Jeanne Reeves of Houston; and four sisters, Ollie Reaves of San Diego, Ruth Tarpley of Pampa, and Jessie Jett and Vera Keys, both of Tucson, Ariz.

The family will receive friends Thursday morning at the funeral home.

## Sheriff's Office

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

### MONDAY, March 22

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported public intoxication in the 400 block of East Brown.

### TUESDAY, March 23

Leta Mae Hess reported burglary of a business (forced entry) at Country Corner Texaco, McLean.

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported violation of a protective order out of Potter County.

### Arrests

### TUESDAY, March 23

Melton Larry Ellis, 43, 816 Bradley, was arrested on a warrant out of Hansford County charging theft by check. He was released on bond.

Danny Wayne Taylor, 36, 1824 N. Banks, was arrested on a charge of violation of a protective order.

## Fires

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

### TUESDAY, March 23

3:51 p.m. — Three units and six firefighters responded to a call at 1 Medical Plaza but were recalled before reaching the location.

### TODAY, March 24

5:56 a.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 851 S. Faulkner.

## Accidents

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

## Police report

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

### TUESDAY, March 23

The Texas Department of Public Safety issued a wanted outside agency report.

Christie Gregg, 336 Tignor, reported a theft. Larry Gene Shuck, 1933 Zimmers, reported a theft over \$20 and under \$200.

Jay's Drive Inn, 924 W. Alcock, reported a theft. Timothy Michael Powers, 1254 S. Nelson, reported disorderly conduct.

Christy Todd, 1342 Coffee #3, reported a theft. Clifton Everett, 905 Barnard, reported criminal mischief.

### Arrests

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Billy Michael Grimes, 31, 1041 Prairie, was arrested on a blue warrant (parole violation). He was booked directly into the Gray County Jail.

Michael Edward Cook, 30, 2615 Navajo, was arrested on an outstanding DPS warrant. He paid a fine and was released.

## Stocks

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

Wheat.....	3.17		
Milo.....	3.60		
Com.....	4.26		

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

Ky. Cent. Life.....	41/4	up 1/4	1/8
Seneca.....	41/2	dn 1/8	1/8
Occidental.....	21 3/8	NC	

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

Magellan.....	67.51		
Puntian.....	15.76		

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

Amoco.....	57 5/8	up 3/4	
Arco.....	119 3/8	up 1/2	
Cabot.....	43	dn 1/4	

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

Cabot O&G.....	20 1/4	dn 1/8	
Chevron.....	80 3/4	up 7/8	
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Enron.....	61 1/2	dn 1/8	
Halliburton.....	36 7/8	up 3/8	
HealthTrust Inc.....	14 7/8	up 1/8	

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

Ingersoll Rand.....	32 3/4	up 1/2	
KNE.....	34 1/4	up 1/4	
Kerr McGee.....	48 3/8	up 1/2	

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

Limited.....	23 3/4	NC	
Mapco.....	52 7/8	dn 1/4	
Maxus.....	9 1/8	NC	

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

McDonald's.....	52 5/8	dn 3/8	
MOBIL.....	69 1/4	up 1/8	
New Atmos.....	26 5/8	up 1/4	

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

Parker & Parsley.....	19 1/2	dn 1/2	
Penney's.....	87	up 1/2	
Phillips.....	28 3/4	up 1/8	

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

SLB.....	57 5/8	up 1	
SPS.....	32 1/8	up 1/8	
Tenneco.....	46	up 1/4	

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

Texasco.....	63	up 1/2	
Wal-Mart.....	32 7/8	up 1/8	
New York Gold.....	330.80		

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## Spring harvest



(Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)

A Pampa squirrel comes to a halt after grabbing a nut on Williston Street on Tuesday afternoon. Temperatures are expected to climb into the 70s today and Thursday.

## One newcomer, two incumbents file for Grandview-Hopkins school board

By JOHN McMILLAN  
Staff Writer

Barring any write-in candidates in the May 1 election for Grandview-Hopkins school board, all three people running for the board are assured of victory, said Kathy Davis, school board secretary for Grandview-Hopkins school board.

One newcomer and two incumbents are running for three vacant positions on the Grandview-Hopkins school board, Davis said.

The newcomer, John Mark Baggerman, 33, a Groom-area farmer, has filed for the May 1 election,

along with incumbents Bill Ragsdale, 45, a Pampa-area farmer and business owner, and Melvin Wills, 52, a Groom-area farmer, Davis said.

Ragsdale, who has held his position on the school board for 12 years, is running for Place 1 in the election. Baggerman and Wills are running for Place 2 and Place 3, respectively.

The school board in February appointed Wills to his position as a replacement for Kelvin Ollinger. Ollinger resigned after seven years on the school board to move to Groom, Davis said.

The bid for the school board is the first candidacy for an elective office by Baggerman. A 1979 graduate of Groom High School, Baggerman is married to Lora S. Baggerman and they have one child, 2-year-old Jessica. The couple is expecting another child.

"I just wanted to get involved in the community and see if we could help keep the school open for the children around, so they wouldn't have to make such a long bus ride into Pampa," Baggerman said.

Grandview-Hopkins school board member Ronny Babcock, whose position expires May 1, has chosen not to seek re-election after 18 years on the board. Babcock, 46, is employed with the Austin law firm of Calame, Linebarger, and Graham.

The Grandview-Hopkins Independent School District is located between Pampa and Groom near Texas 70 and covers about 200 square miles, Davis said. The school district has one school, Grandview-Hopkins School, offering kindergarten through sixth grade.

Laramore for the use of Recreation Park. In addition, the board will elect new officers.

Reed Kirkpatrick and Craig Erickson will give the staff report.

## Parks and recreation board plans Thursday meeting

The city of Pampa's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday in the Training Hall, room 205, of City Hall.

In old business, the board will consider an Eagle Scout project by Robbie Payne.

Under new business, the board will consider a request by Vic

## 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.

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

**ELSIE'S FLEA** Market. Everything in building 1/2 price. 1246 Barnes. Adv.

**CALF FRIES**, Thursday 25th, members and guests. Moose Lodge. Adv.

**PRIVATE PIANO**, voice, flute lessons. Gracie Eddins, Music Education Degree, 669-6778. Adv.

**PROM DRESSES**, large selection. Images, Downtown. 669-1091. Adv.

**JUST ARRIVED:** Truckload of Shrubs, trees, flowering vines, perennials and more. Watson's Feed and Garden, 665-4189. Adv.

**PRINTER, COPIER**, Typewriter ribbons and cartridges renewed for a savings up to 70%. Guaranteed like new. Free pick up or delivery. Fugate Printing, 665-1871. Adv.

**PERSONAL TOUCH-Loubella** Pants and Tops are in! Adv.

**BROWN FREEMAN'S** Mens Wear. Tuxedos-Weddings-Proms. Biggest selection, best fit, best service. 220 N. Cuyler. Adv.

**LOST FISHING** rod and reel on Evergreen. 665-5259. Adv.

**LITTLE CHEF** 5:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Now open under new management. Come in and try our daily specials! Adv.

**"TIS MERRY** in the Spring" - All It's Charm Spring Open House, March 25-27. Refreshments, drawings, discounts. 109 W. Francis. Adv.

**ROLANDA'S JUST** received new shipment spray-on potpourri oil. 119 W. Kingsmill. Adv.

**FURNITURE DOCTOR** now open! Refinishing, stripping, repair. 669-3543. Adv.

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

**3-MAN Bass boat**, completely loaded, \$1800. 665-7859 after 5:30. Adv.

**GARAGE SALE:** 609 N. Frost. Thursday thru Saturday. Tools, furniture and miscellaneous. Adv.

## Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**  
Tonight, clear with a low near 40, southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny with a high in the mid-70s, southeast winds 10 to 20 mph. The high on Tuesday was 73 degrees; the overnight low was 46.

**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, clear. Lows in the upper 30s to near 40. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower to mid-70s. Thursday night, clear. Lows near 40 to the mid-40s. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows from the mid-40s to around 50. Highs in the upper 60s to the lower 70s. Sunday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 30s to lower 40s. Highs in the 60s. South Plains: Tonight, clear. Lows near 40 to the mid-40s. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid- to upper 70s. Thursday night, fair. Lows from the mid-40s to near 50. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy. Highs from near 70 to the mid-70s. Saturday, partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows near 40 to the mid-40s. Highs near 70 to the mid-70s. Sunday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and

thunderstorms. Lows near 40 to the mid-40s. Highs from the mid-60s to near 70.

South Texas — Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low in the 50s to near 60. Thursday, fair to partly cloudy. High in the 70s Hill Country to lower 80s South Central. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Low in the Hill Country to near 60 South central. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy. Highs near 80. Saturday and Sunday, a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy at night. Partly cloudy during the day. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 80s. Texas Coastal Bend: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low in the upper 50s to near 60. Thursday, morning clouds to a partly cloudy afternoon. High in the upper 70s to lower 80s. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Low in the 60s. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low in the 60s. Thursday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s inland, near 70 coast. Highs in the 80s. Sunday, partly cloudy with a chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s inland, near 70 coast. Highs in the 80s. Sunday, partly cloudy with a chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s inland, near 70 coast. Highs in the 70s coast, near 80 inland.

North Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy with isolated evening thunderstorms west and central, widely scattered thunderstorms east. Low 50 to 55. Thursday and Thursday night, partly cloudy. High Thursday in the 70s. Low Thursday night in the 50s. Extended forecast: Friday, partly cloudy. High in the mid-70s to lower 80s. Saturday and Sunday, a good chance of thunderstorms especially west and central. Lows in the upper 50s to lower 60s. High in the 70s.

**BORDER STATES**  
Oklahoma — Tonight, fair to partly cloudy. Lows in 40s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in 60s and lower 70s.

New Mexico — Tonight, a few evening thundershowers western mountains and southwest. Otherwise mostly fair skies. Lows near 20 to mid-30s mountains and northwest with mid-30s and 40s elsewhere. Thursday, partly cloudy west and mostly sunny east. A slight chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms in the western mountains and southwest. Highs in the mid-50s and 60s mountains with upper 60s to lower 80s elsewhere. Thursday night, becoming mostly cloudy with a chance for showers and thunderstorms central and west. Increasing cloudiness east. Lows in the 20s and 30s mountains with upper 30s to near 50 at lower elevations.

## Pampa ISD board to consider contracts

Pampa school board on Thursday is expected to consider renewal of teacher and other professional contracts and district and campus administrators' contracts for the 1993-94 school year.

A closed session has been scheduled for discussing those contracts, after which the board is expected to meet in open session to consider taking action on them.

The board meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the board conference room of the school district administration building, 321 W. Albert St.

Also on Thursday, the PISA board is expected to consider approval of textbook selections for the 1993-94 school year; establish a time and place of meeting to canvass the May 1 school board election results; discuss participation in a Medicaid

reimbursement program; consider sale of tax-delinquent property; elect officers to the Region XVI board of directors; discuss finances for the 1993-94 school year; discuss an employee benefit plan; hear a calendar committee report for the 1993-94 school year; and hear an update from Superintendent Dawson Orr concerning the Scholar Program.

— John McMillan

## Grizzard listed as critical after heart surgery

ATLANTA (AP) — Humorist Lewis Grizzard has been placed on a list for a possible heart transplant after three bouts of surgery in two days.

Grizzard underwent two operations Tuesday to control bleeding, the day after he underwent 12 hours of heart surgery.

"We're searching for a donor heart, but whether he needs it or not, we won't know" for at least a couple of days, said Dr. Randy Martin, Grizzard's cardiologist.

Grizzard, 46, remained in severely critical condition this morning at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, but his vital signs were stable. Doctors have implanted devices to help his heart pump.

Grizzard, famed for his redneck humor, writes a column for *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and is syndicated in 450 newspapers across the country.

He also has written 17 books, some of them collections of his columns, and has occasionally appeared on television. Among his books are "If I Ever Get Back to Georgia I'm Gonna Nail My Feet to the Ground."

Emory University Hospital officials said complications developed Monday during the operation to replace a defective aortic valve, and Grizzard then was given three coronary artery bypasses. The pump device was implanted to improve the heart's function.

Doctors hope that after 36 to 48 hours, Grizzard's heart will be rested enough to resume normal beating.

The surgery was Grizzard's third open heart operation in 11 years. In 1982, Grizzard's doctors replaced a faulty aortic valve with one taken from a pig's heart. In 1985, the valve became infected and was replaced with another porcine valve.

Before launching his humor column in 1978, Grizzard was sports editor with the *Athens* (Ga.) *Daily News*, executive sports editor with *The Atlanta Journal*, assistant city editor with *The Atlanta Journal* and executive sports editor with the *Chicago Sun-Times*.

## Robert Crichton, author of 'The Great Imposter,' dies at 68

NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (AP) — Robert Crichton, author of the best sellers "The Great Imposter" and "The Secret of Santa Vittoria," both of which became films, died at 68.

# Cult Awareness Network setting up info hotline

By MARK ENGLAND  
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO (AP) — Cult Awareness Network has announced that it is setting up a hotline to help the cult members coming out of Mount Carmel.

"We have an obligation to do whatever we can to help those who have been affected by this cult in Waco," Cult Awareness director Cynthia Kisser said Tuesday.

Cult Awareness will provide cult members or their families access to lawyers and mental health professionals, at no cost, Kisser said.

"We talked to professionals who have an ongoing relationship with this organization, and they've agreed, if needed, to talk to these people," she said.

"They don't want them as clients because they're not trying to make money off this. But if the victims of this cult need advice or want to talk to someone to see if they need counseling, they can offer guidance."

Literature on cults also is available at no charge.

"Frankly, families and friends can have the most impact on cult members," Kisser said. "If they can get educated on mind control, they have the most influence as far as getting cult members to do the things that are good for them."

Branch Davidians have been holed up at Mount Carmel, 10 miles east of Waco, since Feb. 28, when a shoot-out resulted in the death of at

least two cult members and four agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Kisser said Cult Awareness had a file on the Branch Davidians. It does consider it to be a cult.

Branch Davidians consider their leader Vernon Howell, also known as David Koresh, to be Christ.

Cult Awareness was formed in 1978. The year is important. On Nov. 18, 1978, more than 900 people belonging to a cult led by the Rev. Jim Jones died in Guyana by taking cyanide or were murdered.

Patricia Ryan's father, U.S. Rep. Leo Ryan, was one of the victims. He was assassinated by a follower of Jones shortly after he left Jonestown.

Ryan is now president of Cult Awareness.

"After Jonestown, neither my family nor the hundreds of others whose lives were forever marked by that violent turn of events knew where to find information and support," Ryan said. "I know firsthand how alone and confused many of Koresh's victims must feel right now, both the followers and their families."

Although time itself can be a healer, many people coming out of a cult need counseling, Kisser said.

"If they don't get help, they will often seek each other out and try to rebuild the group or they'll latch onto a group equally as manipulative," she said.

"Without counseling, they don't understand their needs, their attrac-

tion to such groups," she continued. "They don't know they're operating on programming the cult leader left behind or operating based on what they think he would want them to do. Not because they want. It's because they think they have to stay in God's grace. They're still prisoners of a manipulative lifestyle."

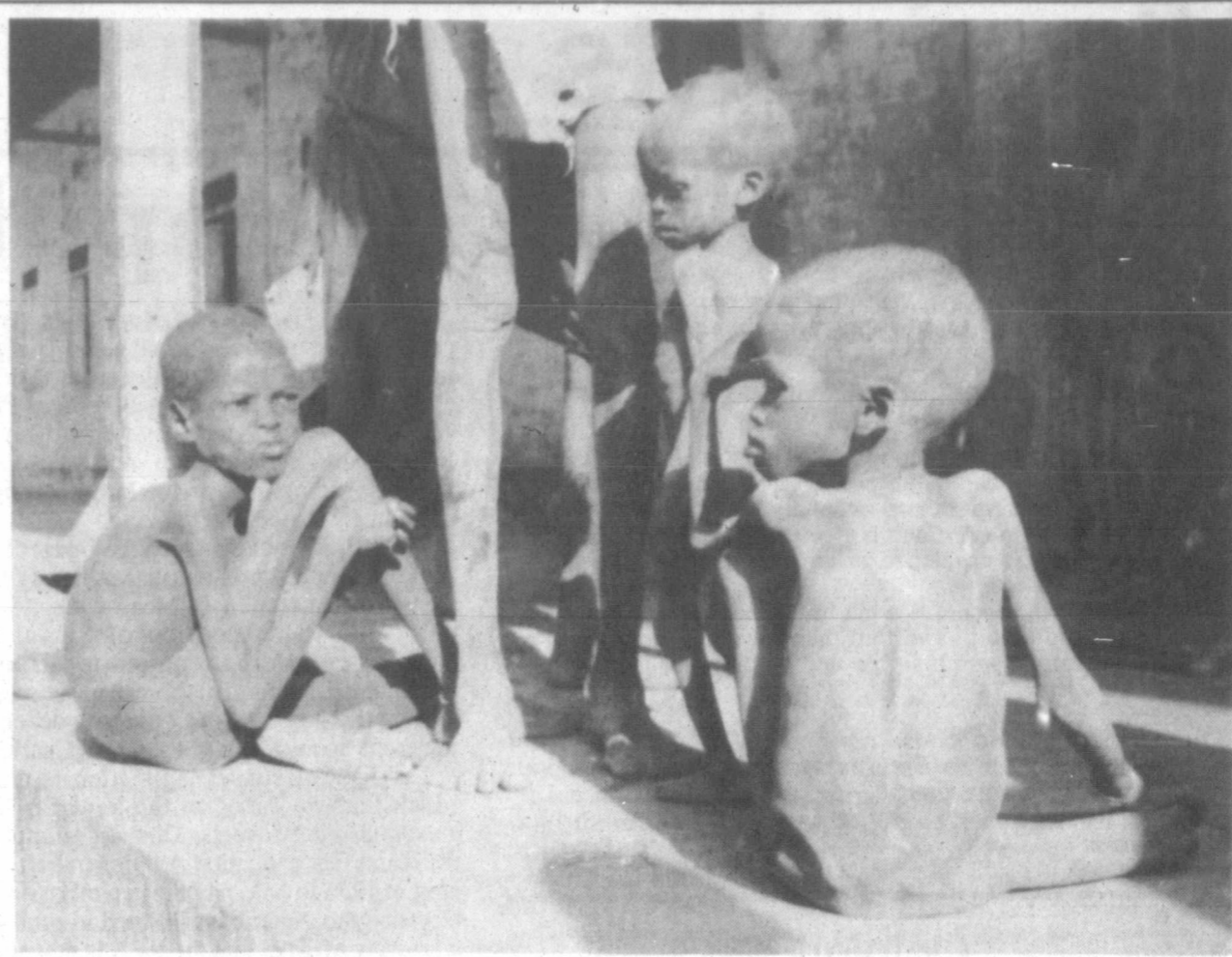
Kisser said Cult Awareness is particularly concerned about the children coming out of the Branch Davidian compound. Some social workers have reported that they seem to be doing well, although cult members complained when they saw a video of the children eating candy bars and bouncing on furniture.

Children often have trouble adapting to life outside the cult, Kisser said.

"Once they realize they won't get beaten if they don't do what they're told, it can be a real problem," she said. "The threat of punishment often keeps them obedient. Once they figure out they won't be beaten, they test the limits like crazy."

"Cults often take pride in their children, in their being able to sit quietly through a 10-hour Bible study. They think it shows how good their kids are," she said. "But these kids have just learned that they better deny their needs, rather than demand their needs get met. Sometimes, their good behavior is just a defense mechanism."

The hotline number is (708) 382-9128.



Starving children wait outside a medical and food relief center recently near Ayob in Southern Sudan. (AP Photo)

## War, drought create another tragedy

AYOD, Sudan (AP) — A skeletal child lurched through searing heat toward the feeding center 50 feet away, then stumbled and fell. He got to his bony feet again, but the distance was too much.

After the second fall, a vulture came to rest on the frail figure, another casualty in the war-induced famines of Africa.

As the world works to save Somalia, fear is growing for the people of Sudan, where the Muslim government has been fighting a 10-year civil war with rebels in the Christian south.

The war has disrupted farming,

and both sides have sometimes blocked relief shipments. Aid workers say 700,000 people are in danger of starving and another 800,000 need sustained aid.

Officials have warned that if major aid shipments do not come through soon, Sudan could become another Somalia, where 350,000 people died of starvation last year.

The people of Ayod and Kongor, about 240 miles north of the southern provincial capital of Juba, are luckier than many despite their wretched lives in the windswept, barren area, where red dust the tex-

ture of chalk coats the skin and teeth.

Workers from the United Nations and relief agencies have built airstrips that receive regular supplies of wheat, lentils and other food aid.

The towns' feeding centers care for thousands of refugees who straggle through 120-degree heat. But many don't make it, and more help is needed.

The United Nations says 1.5 million Sudanese are in need of food aid. So far this year, it has managed to distribute 1,319 tons of food, enough for only 110,000 people.

## Supervisor takes stand in King beating

By LINDA DEUTSCH  
AP Special Correspondent

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The police sergeant who supervised the Rodney King beating said the motorist displayed superhuman strength, talked gibberish and had a far-off look, convincing him without a doubt that King was high on PCP.

Sgt. Stacey Koon, one of four officers on trial in federal court, testified Tuesday that King threw five policemen off his back.

"When I saw that move, that was 100 percent confirmation that Rodney King was on PCP," Koon said. "I believed he had thrown approximately 800 pounds of officers off his back."

PCP can give users superhuman strength. But tests showed no trace of PCP in King's body, and the motorist denied under oath that he had taken the drug.

Koon, the first defendant to take the stand, denied officers used racial

slurs during the videotaped beating. King testified he was taunted with the word "nigger," but later said he wasn't sure whether it was really "killer."

The sergeant startled jurors when he twice leaned forward in the witness box and roared to show how King reacted when Koon shocked him with a stun gun.

He said when he first saw King at the end of a car chase, he thought the motorist was "buffed out ... muscular," like recently released prisoners look from lifting weights behind bars.

Koon, along with Officers Laurence Powell, Theodore Briseno and Timothy Wind, are accused of violating King's civil rights in the 1991 beating. Their acquittals after a state trial last year touched off deadly riots.

Defense attorney Ira Salzman's questioning focused on Koon's perception of King as high on PCP. Even if the motorist was not drugged, the defense claims officers

were justified in thinking so because of his odd behavior.

The 42-year-old Koon said that after the car chase, King was sweating profusely. He said their eyes met from 20 feet away.

"The look that he gave me was that he looks at you and looks right through you," he recalled. "It's a bizarre look. On the street I had seen it many times before in drug suspects."

"He then engaged me in gibberish," Koon said. "It's not English, not German or any language I ever heard. It was the same phrase over and over again."

Koon said King, ordered to get down on the ground, "reached out and began to tap the ground as if he didn't know where the ground was."

He said King arose and waved at a police helicopter overhead, then "did a little dance" and gyrated his buttocks at a California Highway Patrol officer. King testified these events never occurred.

## Railroad commissioner denounces energy tax plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration's proposed energy tax would harm Texas more than any other state, Texas Railroad Commissioner Barry Williamson says.

As the nation's largest consumer of energy and a leading producer, Texas would take a double hit from the broad-based energy tax package floated by the White House, Williamson told the House Ways and Means Committee Tuesday.

"Texas would bear 12.5 percent of the energy tax burden while having only 6.8 percent of the nation's population," said Williamson, a Republican elected last November to the agency that regulates Texas oil and gas production.

The tax also would discriminate against energy-intensive industries that thrive in Texas, such as the petrochemical, mining, construction and agricultural sectors, Williamson charged.

"By taxing the one chief feature that makes American, and specifically Texas, products competitive, you would be tying the hands behind our manufacturers' backs as they fight for competitive advantage in a global economy," he said.

Williamson was just one of many energy industry officials at the hearing who attacked the tax plan. They testified that the energy tax would harm domestic production, hurt U.S. competitiveness, hit some regions harder than others and disrupt an already shaky oil industry.

The levy also would hit the poor and middle class harder than the well-to-do, because lower income families spend a greater proportion of their income on utilities. Gasoline prices would rise an estimated 7.5 cents a gallon and an average home electric bill by \$2.25 a month.

The energy tax proposal found little favor with Rep. Bill Archer of Houston, the ranking Republican on Ways and Means.

"When I first saw the Btu tax, I thought it was a proposal whose time should never come," Archer said. "It is going to drive our jobs overseas."

The administration last month proposed a broad-based energy tax that would be based on a fuel's British thermal units, or Btus. One Btu is the amount of energy required to raise the temperature of one pound of water one degree

Fahrenheit. Administration officials say the tax could raise some \$22 billion in revenue annually.

Oil producers contend the tax strikes a blow at their industry, since the tax on oil would be more than twice as high as that on other fuels.

"The Btu tax, as proposed, will subsidize foreign oil imports and will reduce domestic oil production further," said Eugene L. Ames Jr., president of Venus Oil Co. in San Antonio and chairman of the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

The concerns of the IPAA, which represents mostly small producers, was voiced by the American Petroleum Institute, which represents the major producers.

"The tax will create highly inequitable results across income groups and across regions of this country," said API board member Victor G. Behini, who is president of Marathon Oil Co. in Houston.

When pressed by committee members, some of the industry officials said they would prefer a broad-based consumption tax, an oil import fee or a gasoline tax levied at the pump.

## Dallas, Houston congressional districts listed among wealthiest

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The seven congressional districts in Texas that were drawn to have majority-Hispanic populations are among the poorest in the state.

An Associated Press analysis of 1990 Census Bureau figures shows that one-quarter or more of those living in the seven majority-Hispanic districts in Texas live below the poverty line. Poverty is defined by the government as \$13,359 in income or less for a family of four.

Nationwide, the five poorest congressional districts all have black or Hispanic majorities. There are 32 congressional districts with black majorities and 20 with Hispanic majorities.

Recording the highest poverty rate, with 37.5 percent of its households below the poverty level, was the 15th Congressional District, which stretches from Hidalgo County along the Rio Grande all the way up to Karnes County, southeast of San Antonio.

Thirty percent of residents lived below federal poverty rates in the 27th District, which runs from Cameron County along the Rio Grande north to Corpus Christi.

The 23rd District, which covers a

huge expanse of West Texas from south of San Antonio practically all the way to El Paso, also reported 30 percent of its households living in poverty.

Twenty-eight percent of the households lived in poverty in the 28th District, which runs from San Antonio south to Starr County, on the U.S.-Mexican border.

Recording the fifth-highest poverty rate was the 29th District in the Houston area, with just under 28 percent of its households living below poverty lines.

Congressional districts in the Houston area, along with districts near Dallas, reported the fewest number of households living below the federal poverty line.

The 3rd District, which comprises a wealthy enclave of Dallas, had the lowest household poverty rate, with 4 percent of its households living in poverty.

That was followed by two other Dallas-area districts, the 6th and the 26th, which reported household poverty rates of 4.5 and 6 percent respectively.

Two Houston area districts, the 7th and the 22nd, had the fourth- and fifth-lowest poverty rates, with 6 and 8 percent respectively.

The average household income in Texas' congressional districts ranged from a high of \$59,033 in the Dallas-area 3rd District to a low of \$25,100 in the 28th District in South Texas.

Districts in the Dallas and Houston areas reported the state's highest household earnings. In addition to the 3rd District, the other districts reporting the highest household earnings was the 7th District, north of Houston, with \$58,822; the 26th, near Dallas, with \$51,959; the 6th, also near Dallas, with \$49,555; and the 22nd, near Houston, with \$49,006.

The districts reporting the lowest household incomes were scattered in South Texas, Houston and the Panhandle.

The lowest figure, \$25,100, was in the 28th District in South Texas. The 15th District, also in South Texas, reported \$25,110 in household income; followed by the 29th District in Houston, with \$25,161. The 13th District, in the Panhandle, reported an average \$27,316 household income; while the 20th District in San Antonio, had an estimated \$27,517 household income.

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## Board keeps insurance benchmark the same

AUSTIN (AP) — State insurance regulators have decided to keep the benchmark rate for personal auto insurance at the current level, but advise drivers to shop around for the best deal.

"Shop, shop, shop," said Insurance Board Chairwoman Claire Koriath after Tuesday's unanimous vote of the three-member panel.

"We've had actual experience of consumers who have saved as much as several hundred dollars on their automobile insurance rates by shopping."

The benchmark rate is a reference point used by insurance companies to charge rates within a range established by the board.

The Insurance Board set that range of 30 percent below to 30 percent above the benchmark. That maximum rate is 5 percent more than the current maximum. All the changes approved by the board take effect June 1.

Maintaining the current benchmark rate for another year was a blow to insurance companies, which

had sought increases from 11.7 percent to 14.6 percent.

"These new rates will not be sufficient for us to break even on this business," said Clint Gardner, president of Texas Farmers Insurance Co.

But the state's insurance consumer representative praised the board's decision.

"When the industry asks for double-digit rate increases and you get zero, I think that is pretty good," said Amy Johnson, chief of the Office of Public Insurance Counsel. Her office had recommended a 4.9 percent decrease in the benchmark rate.

Despite keeping the benchmark unchanged, the board voted to juggle costs within premiums by increasing liability insurance by about 13 percent, while decreasing collision coverage approximately 22 percent. Liability coverage is required by state law.

The board also increased rates charged by the state-run insurer, called the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan.

The plan provides auto insurance to Texans who cannot get coverage in the private market. It currently has more than 850,000 policyholders.

The plan currently charges 27 percent more than the benchmark rate. Board members upped that to 28 percent, and said liability rates may jump from 10 percent to 12 percent.

Despite the increase, Ed Held, chairman of the plan, said the rate hikes were too small and that losses in the plan would have to be paid for by policyholders who buy insurance in the private market.

Plan managers had requested a 52 percent increase in private passenger rates.

Board members expressed concern that too many people, including good drivers, were being forced to buy coverage from the plan, especially minorities and rural residents.

"If the marketplace doesn't step in at some time, then the Legislature will have to," said board member Allene Evans.

# Viewpoints



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## Opinion

### A brief for term limits

Another fine example of your tax dollars at work: Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell has announced plans to deploy the Senate's legal staff in behalf of a lawsuit against term limits. The litigation is aimed at a law enacted by Arkansas voters that would limit the tenure of the state's members of Congress (much as a recently enacted California measure would do). This promises to be a landmark case, deciding whether states can weigh in on this issue, when it comes to their representatives to the Potomac. Good to know you're helping to finance the effort to keep members of Congress in power until the day after forever, isn't it?

Actually, even with tax dollars behind it, the anti-term-limits lawsuit is no sure winner. Law Professor Ronald Rotunda of the University of Illinois argues compellingly, in a recent piece in the Washington Post, that term limits on federal legislators are merely an extension of powers that the states have been exercising for more than a century — powers long ago acknowledged by the Supreme Court.

"People who argue that term limits are unconstitutional are ... rejecting 200 years of practice," Mr. Rotunda writes. "Almost all states require that US representatives be elected by district within the state, even though the Constitution only lists state residency as a qualification ..." Congress, too, has ordered that states impose a district qualification — and the Supreme Court has upheld its right to impose that rule.

"If opponents of term limits really are serious in claiming that neither the states nor Congress can impose an extra restriction (over and above what the Constitution specifies for congressional elections) then the Supreme Court is going to have to reject a lot of its own cases, and US representatives are going to have to be elected in statewide elections."

Are you listening, Reps. Cox, Rohrabacher, Royce, Kim, Dorman — and thinking about long-term career plans, because it's just possible the people's mandate will be upheld and term limits will be imposed on you, as on those who succeed you after your time is up in 1998.

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## A Republican alternative - II

Sen. Phil Gramm and Rep. Dick Armye have combined to propose a Balanced Budget Implementation Act (BBIA). Although it is not a formal alternative to Mr. Clinton's Five-Year Plan, it is a comprehensive alternative based on accepted Republican alternatives to increased taxation and wispy spending cuts of the kind that, historically, have a way of not materializing.

The BBIA would balance the budget by the year 2000. Its approach is unusual in that it would bind Congress to a number of Measures:

1. With the exception of Social Security, Congress would be required to reauthorize all spending programs. This so-called sunset legislation very nearly got through Congress a dozen years ago under the sponsorship of then-Sen. Charles Percy.

The idea of sunset legislation is compelling. Much that we carry on the books is legislation anachronized by events. The best example of this is the Rural Electrification Administration. It was created in 1936 to help pay the capital cost of bringing electricity to Americans isolated in rural areas. It is a howling scandal that the REA is now used to help pay the cost of multimillion-dollar companies that are delighted by its philanthropic provisions, as who would not be? If you can get a loan to provide electricity at, say, 2 percent, would you expect General Motors to turn it down?

It is so with dozens of other acts that need rethinking or modification. The Aid to Families with Dependent Children law hasn't been looked at since 1935 and is a towering expense replete with anachronisms and accretions that beg revision.

The idea of Messrs. Gramm and Armye revives the notion that every law should be looked at again



William F. Buckley Jr.

20 years after its enactment, and that in the absence of positive action by the legislature and the executive, should pass into limbo.

2. Entitlements (again, excepting Social Security) should be capped to a level no greater than the increase in the Consumer Price Index plus the growth in the legible population. The major target here is, clearly, medical expenses, which are costing \$2,500 per capita per year. Under the proposed act, spending on such programs could not increase except to reflect inflation and an increase in population or in the covered age group. If, on a targeted way well into the new budget year, expenses threaten to exceed the allowance, a "sequester" would set in, enforcing the cap.

3. The bill would set fixed deficit targets, leading to a balanced budget in the year 2000. Half of the proposed reductions would take place during Mr. Clinton's term — as he has himself called for, with his mare's nest of taxes and cuts. The fixed deficit targets in the bill are, for the years 1994-2000, \$255 billion, \$219 billion, \$183 billion, \$147 billion, \$98 billion, \$49 billion and — zero. These numbers would add \$951 billion to our total

national debt, over a period of seven years. That would be to increase the national debt by 22 percent, a manageable incremental increase, not so large as to be economically dislocative, nor so small as to be nugatory.

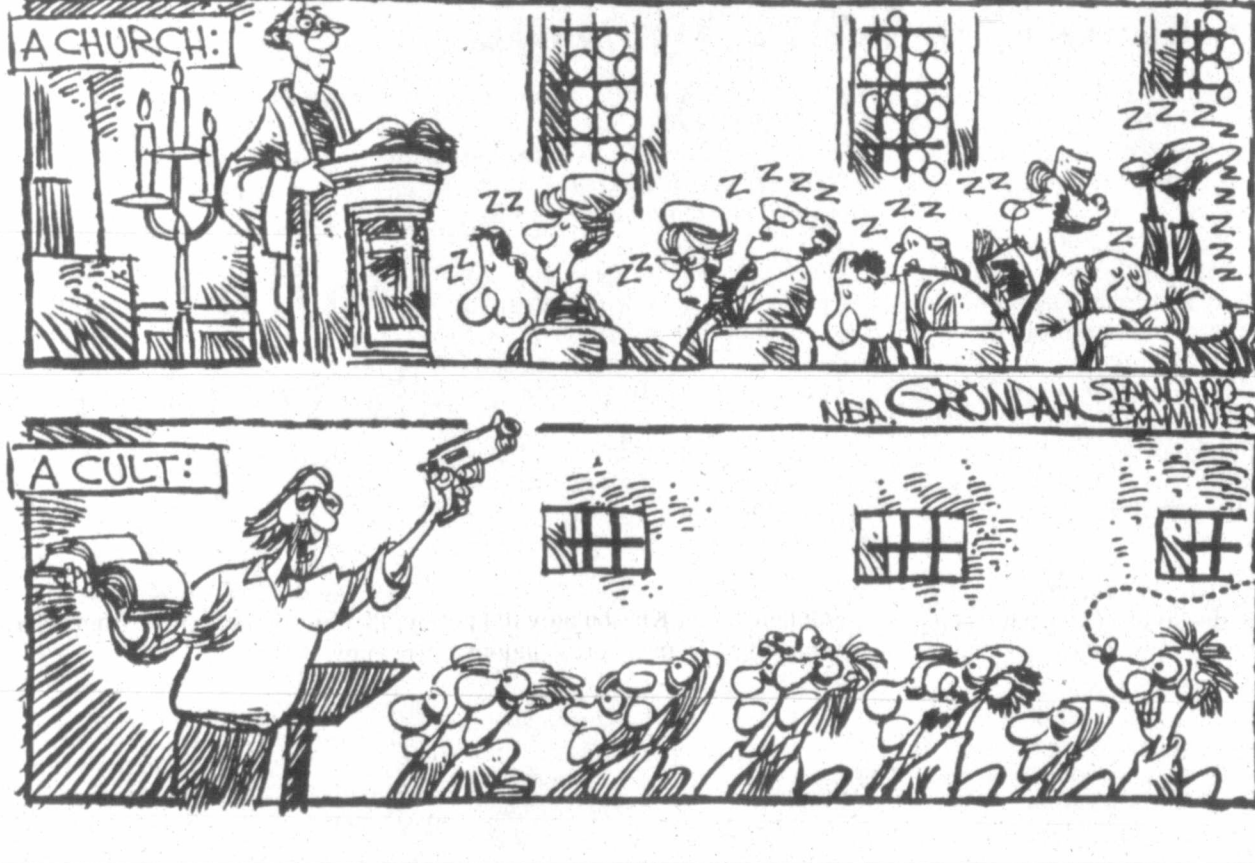
4. A provision of the act would get the president into the picture in such a way as to cause a joint resolution to evolve into solid law. Under current law, by April 15 Congress is required to pass by concurrent resolution the budget priorities for the upcoming fiscal year. This resolution does not require the signature of the president, and is not therefore binding. As things now stand, the rules committees in Congress are permitted to waive budget rules, and often do. Under the new law, the April 15 decisions would bind Congress for the year ahead.

Criticisms of the act will begin by noting its failure to increase the tax load — on the rich and on the middle class. Gramm-Armye are sophisticated enough to know that an increase in taxes, in particular in the higher brackets that contribute outstandingly to investment, is penny-wise legislation. The high-income people will avoid victimization by redeploying their assets. And to the extent that they cannot do so, they will simply ease up, which is the last thing the economy needs.

The middle class needs no extra burdens, from energy taxes or Social Security taxes on 85 percent of their revenue payments. The objective has got to be to reduce the creeping national overhead.

The authors of the bill remind us that May 5 is Tax Liberation Day in 1993. Up until then, everything we earn is spent by government, federal, state or local.

### WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A CHURCH AND A CULT?



### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, March 24, the 83rd day of 1993. There are 282 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On March 24, 1882, German scientist Robert Koch announced in Berlin that he had discovered the bacillus responsible for tuberculosis.

On this date:  
In 1765, Britain enacted the Quartering Act, requiring American colonists to provide temporary housing to British soldiers.

In 1883, long-distance telephone service was inaugurated between Chicago and New York.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill granting future independence to the Philippines.

In 1944, in occupied Rome, the Nazis executed more than 300 civilians in reprisal for an attack by Italian partisans the day before that killed 32 German soldiers.

In 1955, the Tennessee Williams play "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" opened on Broadway.

## Where is the grass greener?

Peripatetic Americans since the earliest colonists have been restive, unwilling to settle any place long. Fleeing problems, real or imaginary, they migrated westward, seeking "greener grass."

TV programs and movies of the Old West have enjoyed an enormous following — "Little House on the Prairie," "Lonesome Dove," "Unforgiven" (which won an unprecedented number of Academy Award nominations for a Western), and currently a woman doctor on the American frontier is taking us with her.

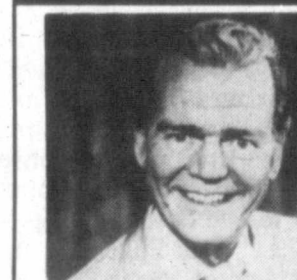
The American West never was quite so romantic as Clint Eastwood makes it appear, yet our nation has plenty of "space" to move around in. So where is the grass greener?

Recently the Census Bureau noted that one American in 11 moved to a different state during the past five years.

There are now so many outsiders in Nevada it's almost impossible to find a native who was born there.

On the other hand, Pennsylvanians tend to stay put, four in five Pennsylvanians are born there.

Outsiders are a majority in most western states — but also in Florida, Maryland, Delaware and D.C.



Paul Harvey

Corporations shuttling a work force to some new locale are a factor in the continuing migration. Other Americans move to where welfare benefits are more generous. Others vacation where the sun shines and then elect to relocate "permanently."

It's seldom permanent. Resort-area Realtors recognize that houses — even newly constructed houses — change occupants on average every five years.

This next relates to that:

When most other nations' populations begin to suffer claustrophobia, they, seeking greener pastures, seek to emigrate to the United States.

But where our nation's immigration laws once skimmed the cream of foreign born — opening our

doors to the health, honest, energetic industrious — more recently our porous immigration policies have tended to favor the sneak-ins.

New York's accused terrorist bomber of the World Trade Center, for reasons our State Department has yet to explain, was issued a six-month visitor's visa — and stayed six years.

Pat Buchanan, running for President, was denounced by his opponents for daring to propose an impregnable barrier along our Mexican border.

Yet now, starting in San Luis, Nogales and Douglas, Ariz., we are building a steel wall 10 feet tall.

The immediate objective is to reduce cross-border crime, illegal immigrations and drug traffic. Ninety percent of the crime in Nogales is committed by illegal aliens.

If we can't eradicate it, we must at least try to quarantine it.

Among all creatures, great and small, there is a very valid inbred determination to patrol and protect one's home space. Territorial prerogative prescribed enlightened selfishness, lest the predators inch in and take over.

The moral of this Aesop's Fable should be too obvious to require elaboration.

## Ask the NRA about cult leader

Both President Bill Clinton and the National Rifle Association love their country. Both are patriotic. But they part company on one formidable rock-bottom difference — the president's belief that cult leader David Koresh does not have a legal right to Koresh's murderous storehouse of artillery.

On the other hand, the NRA (known to some Americans as the National Repository of Assassins) believes that the Second Amendment gives Koresh the same right to store up 50-caliber machine guns and anti-tank weaponry as it gives the weekend hunter to own a rifle.

Tell me if you believe that the following constitutionally guaranteed right refers to any private citizen: "A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

By the NRA's interpretation, David Koresh and any other psychotic barbarians are "the people." And they have a right to build and maintain their own personal "well-regulated militia." The next step is inexorably logical. "The right of the people" to maintain a militia extends to the right of a private citizen to stockpile as many guns as he or she neurotically wishes.

Anti-abortionist Michael Frederick Griffin apparently thinks so. That's why he bought a gun, prayed, then went out and assassinated a Pensacola doctor who had save lives and ocured patients, but had also performed abortions.



Chuck Stone

But there is an even crueler irony. David Koresh's constitutional "militia" (courtesy of the NRA's interpretation of the Second Amendment) was able to immobilize a government that had wiped out Saddam Hussein's war-making capacity within a few days.

Obviously, the two situations aren't completely parallel. When a satanic nut repeatedly proclaims his sick intention of become a martyr, law enforcement officials are forced to tread lightly to prevent Koresh's slaughter of innocent people.

But as the bodies on both sides are totaled up like pieces of raw meat in a freezer, it makes us aware that once against the ignominious will of the NRA has prevailed. And we are all held hostage to a homicidal idiocy that subsidizes a dubious right to bear arms.

Nobody — with the exception of NRA members — can sanely argue that the founding fathers endorsed the right of a David Koresh to

gather a storehouse of deadly artillery.

The founding fathers were scholars. The Lockian phrase "the people" means the people as a duly constituted group in a representative government, not some perfervid mob of NRA fanatics, David Koreshes and Michael Griffins running amuck, yelling they have a right to bear arms.

In Locke's epochal treatise on civil government — the basis for our Declaration of Independence — he raised the question of who shall decide a public controversy and he answered his question: "The people shall judge." By no stretch of any sane imagination does "the people" mean a motley group of egomaniacal individuals.

That historical reliance on "the people" to mean a constitutional entity, not a group of loose cannons, was behind former Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell's interpretation of the Second Amendment, in which he expressed deep misgiving about it giving individuals the unrestricted right to build NRA-supported arsenals or to own handguns. In 1991, 11,411 persons exercising their right to own handguns ended up using them to commit murder.

But we are a nation filled with protectors of dubious rights. That's why the United States has the highest per capita murder rate in the Western world. And until this nation comes to its collective sense, the NRA will continue to nurture the right of the David Koreshes and the Michael Griffins to hold all of us hostage.

### Berry's World



STILL AROUND

# Supreme Soviet votes to convene

## Search for compromise under way in political crisis

MOSCOW (AP) — Prospects for a compromise grew today as Boris Yeltsin softened his language on special presidential powers and met with a top lawmaker and the chief justice to search for a way out of Russia's political crisis.

The steps came after the standing Supreme Soviet legislature voted 135 to 34 to convene an emergency session of the 1,033-member Congress of People's Deputies on Friday to consider removing Yeltsin from power.

"There are other measures for solving the crisis without civil war," Ramzan Abdultipov, a parliamentary leader, told a news conference. He proposed holding simultaneous elections for president and Congress.

The power struggle has paralyzed the nation and brought warnings of civil war. If Yeltsin goes, economic reform could be threatened.

Yeltsin met in the Kremlin with Congress speaker Ruslan Khasbulatov and the chairman of the Constitutional Court, Valery Zorkin, both of whom have criticized the president for a speech Saturday night in which he proclaimed a "special order" of rule pending a referendum on April 25.

Before the Kremlin meeting, deputy Congress speaker Yuri Voronin said the Supreme Soviet was considering a resolution offering Yeltsin the chance to revise his declaration of emergency rule.

At the same time, Yeltsin's office issued the controversial decree, but the announcement did not contain any reference to a "special order" of rule, the provision that most alarmed the court and legislature.

It was not clear whether Yeltsin had revised the decree to meet the demands of the court and lawmakers, or whether he had exaggerated its harshness during a televised speech last Saturday.

But some Yeltsin critics said he had backed down under pressure.

"The president softened his decree in comparison with what he said in his TV address," said lawmaker Vladimir Isakov, a leader of the hard-line Russian Unity faction. "He removed from the text the most notorious part of his TV speech, the supremacy of the presidential decisions over the Supreme Soviet."

Lawmakers were to convene tonight to consider the results of the Kremlin meeting.

If the heads of the three branches



A naval officer joins an army officer in hoisting an imperial Czarist flag atop the Winter Palace column Tuesday evening when 20,000 people joined a mass rally to show their support of President Boris Yeltsin in his call for a national referendum on April 25.

of government cannot reach a compromise, it seemed likely the Congress would convene as scheduled on Friday to debate removing Yeltsin from office.

Vice President Alexander Rutskoi would take power if the Congress ousted Yeltsin. Rutskoi who, like Khasbulatov is a former Yeltsin ally, has denounced the president's actions.

The process of removing Yeltsin from office began Sunday night, when the Supreme Soviet held an emergency session to ask the Con-

stitutional Court to review the legality of Yeltsin's actions.

The court ruled Tuesday that Yeltsin had violated the Soviet-era constitution by assuming extra powers and proposing a referendum on a new charter that would replace the Congress with a bicameral legislature. The court said, however, that Yeltsin was within his rights to ask for a national vote of confidence.

During the Supreme Soviet session this morning, some lawmakers complained that Khasbulatov did not allow debate on the court's finding.

Outside the parliament building, the Russian White House, several hundred mainly pro-Communists demonstrators shouted anti-Yeltsin slogans and waved red flags.

A Yeltsin supporter ventured into the crowd with a picture of the president. Several men tore the photos from his hands, ripped it up and stomped on it before police led the man away, apparently for his protection.

Other Russians were backing the president. Miners in the Kuznetsk Basin of Western Siberia issued a protest of the Congress and said they would form committees of support for Yeltsin.

President Clinton on Tuesday reiterated his support for Yeltsin. "The United States supports the historic movement toward democratic political reform in Russia. President Yeltsin is the leader of that process, he is a democratic, elected national leader," Clinton said in Washington.

Some Russian officials suggested that a U.S.-Russian summit planned for April 3-4 should be moved to Moscow from Vancouver, British Columbia.

It was unclear whether the summit would go ahead as planned, or whether hard-liners had enough support to oust Yeltsin.

Yeltsin's supporters and critics disagreed on whether the Congress could muster the 689 votes needed to remove him.

"There will be more than enough votes to impeach him," said Oleg Plotnikov, the legislative coordinator of the right-centrist Smena faction.

Sergei Kovalyov, a veteran human rights activist, predicted that Yeltsin's critics would muster about 600 votes, short of a majority. Another reformer, Alexander Lyubimov, predicted that hard-line support would melt.

"They can all shout about impeachment, but when the time comes to vote, I think they'll get 300, maybe 250. They're just afraid," he said.

Judging by vote totals in the most recent Congress, earlier this month, hard-liners have a solid core of just over 300 votes, vs. a dwindling number of radical reformers, down to about 220.

Most of the rest have been dubbed "the swamp," lawmakers who generally follow directions from Khasbulatov.

# Scientists identify gene in Huntington's disease

BOSTON (AP) — A decade-long scientific dragnet has found the gene that causes Huntington's disease, a breakthrough that could someday help researchers conquer the fatal illness that relentlessly destroys mind and body.

A scientific report due out this week identifies the genetic defect that somehow kills off brain cells in adults.

"Suddenly we can start talking about what can be done," says Marilyn Seichter of Hartford, Conn., a Huntington's patient. "This is not hope for those who are afflicted. It is life."

The discovery was made by the Huntington's Disease Collaborative Research Group, which consists of more than 50 scientists largely from six institutions. They've been tracking the gene for 10 years.

They found the disease is caused by a "genetic stutter," the rampant copying of one fragment of code inside a single gene, according to the report appearing in Friday's issue of the journal Cell.

"It's a fascinating discovery. A new world of genetic exploration is opening up in front of our eyes," commented Dr. Murray Goldstein, director of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke.

Team members hope the insight will eventually lead to a cure for Huntington's, whose symptoms include involuntary jerky movements, unsteady gait, mood swings, personality changes, slurred speech and impaired judgment. Its best-known victim was folk singer Woody Guthrie, who died in 1967.

"It may be possible to develop effective treatments to slow or stop the progression of this frightful disorder," said Dr. James Gusella of Massachusetts General Hospital.

But many mysteries remain: What role do healthy copies of the gene play inside the body? How do they destroy specific parts of the brain when they become defective?

"This raises a lot more questions than it answers," said Dr. Francis Collins of the University of Michigan, another team member. "That's exciting, because without the gene we had run out of questions to ask."

About 25,000 Americans have Huntington's disease, and 125,000 more are at risk for it. Guthrie's affliction drew attention to the disease, and his widow had crusaded for more Huntington's research until her death in 1983.

"I'm sure wherever she is, she is smiling right now," singer Arlo Guthrie, 45, said of his mother, Marjorie.

Children of people with Huntington's have a 50-50 chance of inheriting the bad gene. Those with the gene invariably get the disease if they live long enough. Arlo Guthrie has refused to be tested for the gene.

The researchers checked 75 Huntington's disease families and found that all carried the defective gene.

Every gene in the body contains code for assembling proteins. Inherited diseases occur when this code is garbled. The researchers found that Huntington's occurs when three units of code somehow get stuck in the body's gene-copying machinery, repeating themselves over and over.

In healthy people, the code segment is repeated between 11 and 34 times. Those with Huntington's have at least 42 copies.

At least three other inherited diseases result from similar repeats of genetic code: fragile X syndrome, a leading cause of mental retardation, and the muscle disorders myotonic dystrophy and spino-bulbar muscular atrophy.

A separate research effort in Canada produced a paper due in Thursday's edition of the journal Nature that proposes a different mutation as a cause of the disease.

But its author said in an interview that the gene he found might be a rare cause of the disease or entirely unrelated to Huntington's. He praised the other researchers' work.

"I think this is a great day for Huntington's research," said Dr. Michael Hayden of the University of British Columbia. "I think they have found a major cause of Huntington's in the majority of families."

The editors of Cell released the findings two days earlier than usual to prevent Nature from stealing the thunder from the Huntington's research group.

# Two peacekeepers wounded in Serb shelling

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Serb artillery blasted a soccer field where three French helicopters picked up refugees in besieged Srebrenica today, wounding two peacekeepers, one critically, U.N. officials said.

The helicopters were the first to leapfrog some of the Bosnian war's fiercest battle lines in an operation to evacuate wounded people from the Muslim-held town. U.N. officials said 21 people were picked up.

The leader of Bosnian Serbs had given his permission for the U.N. operation, but Serb guns shelled the Tuzla airport where the helicopters are based and the landing zone in Srebrenica. Serb militiamen also delayed the helicopters during an agreed-on inspection stop in Serb-held Zvornik.

Warrant Officer Bill Wickson, a U.N. spokesman in Kiseljak, near Sarajevo, said Serb forces started shelling Srebrenica's soccer stadium after 21 wounded had been loaded on the helicopters.

A Puma helicopter on the mission returned to Tuzla with U.N. soldiers who were turned back by the Serbs at Zvornik, said Nina Ujacic, a U.N. spokeswoman in Belgrade, the capital of Serb-dominated Yugoslavia. The peacekeepers were to have provided security and communications at the landing site in Srebrenica.

Serb troops detained the four Pumas for more than an hour in

Zvornik, north of Srebrenica, during what was supposed to be a five-minute check of their cargo holds to ensure they carried no weapons or supplies.

Three British helicopters also left Tuzla, 45 miles northwest of Srebrenica, but the United Nations ordered them to remain in Zvornik until they received assurances of safe passage, Wickson said.

Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic said Monday that he would permit an air corridor for evacuation of wounded and sick from Srebrenica, where tens of thousands of people are encircled by attacking Serb forces.

He also said he would allow land convoys to bring aid to the hungry of Srebrenica, which is overflowing with refugees driven there by Serb advances on nearby villages and towns.

Karadzic vowed his troops do not want to take Srebrenica. But at least one aid official, Larry Hollingworth of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, disputed that and said thousands could be killed if the Serbs closed in.

Karadzic is currently in New York for peace talks at U.N. headquarters, where there was confusion late Tuesday after one international mediator, Lord Owen, announced the Serb leader was quitting the talks. Karadzic said he was staying for talks today, and called Owen's announcement a misunderstanding.

Owen and his partner, U.N. envoy Cyrus Vance, have been trying for six months to get the Bosnian Serbs, the Muslim-led government and Bosnian Croats to agree to their peace plan.

In Sarajevo today, there was heavy machine-gun and small arms fire on the front line near Kosovo hospital. But generally the city was quiet in the morning, even out in the western outskirts where there have been major battles over the past few weeks.

The international airlift to the city was suspended for a fifth day. U.N. spokesman Peter Kessler said that it might resume Thursday and that sufficient food was reaching the city on land convoys.

Kessler also expressed hope a truck convoy for Srebrenica, halted for five days by Serb forces on the Bosnian-Yugoslav border, would get through today.

U.N. officials agreed to add five trucks to the 17-truck convoy and drop the contents of those additional trucks in Serb-held Bratunac en route to Srebrenica, Kessler said.

A convoy that arrived in Srebrenica on Friday was the first in three months. Hollingworth, who was present, said he had never seen such conditions in 30 years in the British army and extensive relief work in Africa.

A Bosnian Serb general, mean-

while, protested heavy Croat shelling of the southern Bosnian town of Trebinje on Tuesday. One woman was killed and 18 people injured when shells rained on the Serb-held town, Gen. Miljanjo Milovanovic said.

Milovanovic claimed the attack was aimed at tempting Serbs into shelling the nearby Adriatic port of Dubrovnik in Croatia.

Croatian radio reported Serb shelling of Dubrovnik Tuesday for the first time since July. It said there were no casualties.

Both Croats and Serbs have reported a fresh flareup of fighting this week inland from the Croatian port of Zadar. Croat forces broke a tenuous year-old cease-fire in the region Jan. 22.

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# Black community blasts jury's sentence

FORT WORTH (AP) — Incensed leaders are blasting as racist the suspended sentence an all-white jury handed a teen-age skinhead for his role in the murder of a black man.

"It's ridiculous," said former state Rep. Reby Cary of Fort Worth. "It's the worst thing that can happen in America when we're supposed to have equal justice."

"Black folks' lives still ain't worth a damn in Texas," said Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price. "I'm mad as hell."

"Until black folks start taking to the streets, nothing is going to happen."

Jurors gave Christopher William Brosky 10 years' probation Tuesday for his role in the drive-by slaying of Donald Thomas. Brosky, who is white, was convicted Monday.

"We just felt like this might be a man who might be able to turn his life around. ... If we had sent him to Huntsville, he might have come back in worse shape," said juror Richard Higgs.

Trial testimony showed that

Brosky, 18, and fellow skinheads William George "Trey" Roberts III and Joshua Hendry, both 17, had planned a drive-by shooting the morning of June 7, 1991.

Defense lawyers argued Brosky was sitting in the back seat and was less involved in the shooting than his friends.

Roberts, who has admitted he fired the fatal shotgun blast, and Hendry have both pleaded guilty to the murder. Roberts was certified to stand trial as an adult and received a 40-year sentence in exchange for his testimony.

Hendry pleaded guilty in juvenile court and received a 15-year sentence that will be reviewed in June when he turns 18. Hendry also testified against Brosky.

Prosecutors did not call any witnesses during the sentencing phase Tuesday.

"I don't know why he got what he got," said Carolyn Thomas, the victim's widow, said of the punishment.

Brosky faced punishment up to life imprisonment for the attack on

Thomas, who was killed as he sat on a flatbed truck drinking beer with white friends in Arlington.

Several civil rights groups said they will call for a U.S. Justice Department investigation.

Cary and other leaders mentioned the rioting that broke out in Los Angeles after a jury acquitted four white police officers of beating black motorist Rodney King.

"I'm totally shocked and disappointed," said Willie Starr, a member of the NAACP in Fort Worth. "Only when something like this happens in your backyard can you understand what happened in Los Angeles in the King trial."

"I'm not sure what the reaction's going to be," Cary said. "It's a real dangerous situation because if that's the way it goes, then nobody's safe."

"The people I've talked to today are incensed. We're law abiding, but when you see you don't have any protection, it brings out the other side, self-preservation. Blacks are an open target."

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# Food

## Sap's a-runnin' as the earth renews itself

By Marialisa Calta

Although one wouldn't know it by the size of the snowdrifts outside my window, the dirt road in front of our house is advertising spring. While spring in other parts of the country means fair skies and flowers, spring in Vermont means mud. A combination of freezing and thawing turns roads into rutted black ooze that is trickier to drive in than any snowfall, and so pernicious that Vermont's fifth season is named after it — mud season. On some roads, mail delivery is halted for the duration, and residents evacuate their homes.

Fortunately, mud season brings with it its own redemption: maple syrup. The same combination of thawing and freezing that turns roads to muck makes the sap run in the maple trees. And many hundreds of Vermonters, following a tradition begun by Native Americans, collect the sap and boil it down into syrup. This is an arduous, labor-intensive process, as it takes about 40 gallons of sap to produce a gallon of maple syrup. But for many Vermonters it is a family project, bringing the generations together in the sugar house, and resulting in a glorious first harvest that is a great source of local pride and a needed boost to the local economy.

Now, Vermonters do a number of things with maple syrup. Some drink it straight. Others boil it, pour it over snow and serve it with black coffee, raised doughnuts and sour pickles. This is the traditional menu for

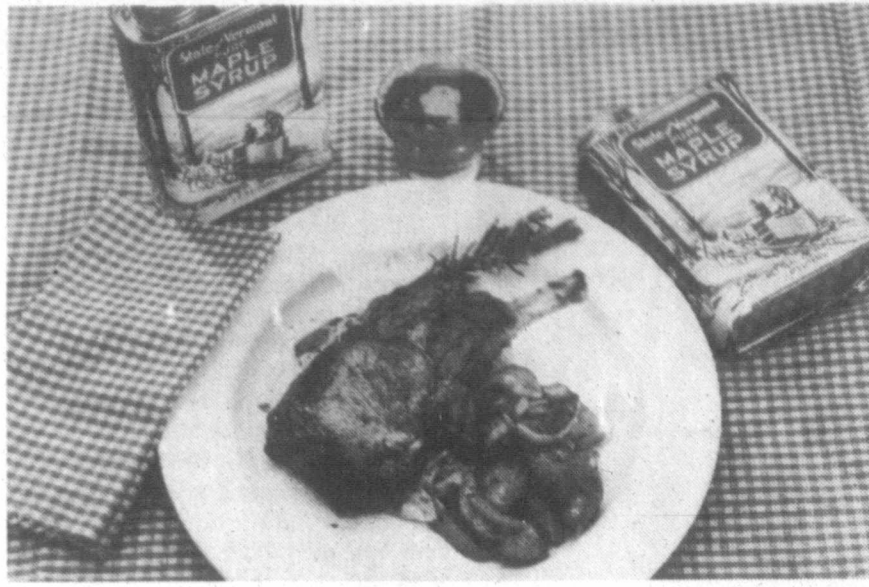
sugar-on-snow parties.) Home cooks use it as a sweetener in baked goods. I have found a few main-dish recipes that I think show off the taste of maple syrup, without hurting your teeth. Here they are.

### ROAST LOIN OF PORK WITH MAPLE SYRUP GLAZE

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| 1 | tablespoon juniper berries  |
| 4 | bay leaves  |
| 1 | teaspoon cracked black pepper   |
| 1 | teaspoon chopped garlic   |
| 2 | tablespoons chopped fresh sage, or 1½ teaspoons dried shallot, thinly sliced                        |
| 1 | tablespoons maple syrup   |
| 4 | tablespoons balsamic vinegar  |
| 3 | tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil  |
| 1 | 3-pound piece of boneless pork loin, trimmed of all fat; or 3 pounds of pork loin chops (6-8 chops) |
|   | salt  |

Make marinade by coarsely chopping juniper berries and bay leaves. Mix in a bowl with pepper, garlic, sage, shallot, 2 tablespoons syrup, 1 tablespoon vinegar and 2 tablespoons olive oil. Rub mixture all over roast or chops, and marinate in refrigerator overnight.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees (if using roast), or preheat broiler (if making chops). Season meat with salt. Mix together remaining syrup, vinegar and olive oil, and set aside.



Maple Glazed Pork is just one of the dishes that taps the sweet taste of maple syrup.

For roast: Set on rack in roasting pan, and roast 20 minutes. Baste with syrup mixture and continue roasting 10 minutes, or until internal temperature has reached 140 degrees or desired doneness is reached.

For chops: Broil for several minutes on one side, brush each chop with reserved syrup mixture and broil until done to taste. Flip chops, and repeat.

Yield: 6 to 8 servings.  
Recipe from Jody Adams, executive chef at Michela's, Cambridge, Mass.

### MAPLE LAMB AND EGGPLANT CURRY

- |     |  |
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| 4   | tablespoons butter                           |
| 2   | tablespoons flour                            |
| ¼   | cup soy sauce                                |
| ½   | cup honey                                    |
| 1   | cup maple syrup                              |
| 1   | tablespoon ketchup                           |
| 1   | cup pumpkin puree                            |
| 1   | cup red wine                                 |
| 1   | dash brandy                                  |
| 1   | teaspoon Dijon mustard                       |
| 1   | teaspoon nutmeg                              |
| 1-2 | tablespoons curry powder (or more, to taste) |
| 3-4 | tablespoons vegetable oil                    |

(New England Culinary Institute photo)

To make curry sauce: In a large pot, melt butter over low heat, and whisk in flour. Cook, whisking constantly, 2 minutes. Add soy sauce, honey, syrup, ketchup, pumpkin, wine, brandy, mustard, nutmeg and curry. Blend and simmer 15 to 20 minutes, stirring occasionally.

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| 3 | pounds lean, boneless lamb, cut into ½-inch cubes |
| 1 | medium red onion, diced                           |
| 1 | medium fine                                       |
| 1 | large eggplant, peeled and cut into ½-inch cubes  |
| 2 | cups rice, cooked                                 |
| 1 | teaspoon cumin                                    |
| ½ | teaspoon ground coriander                         |
|   | pinch of cayenne pepper, or more, to taste        |
|   | cup fresh basil, chopped or 1 tablespoon, dried   |
|   | tablespoons fresh cilantro, chopped (optional)    |

Meanwhile, in another large pan, heat oil and saute lamb and onion until lamb is cooked to your liking (about 10 minutes for medium rare). Toss in eggplant and add curry sauce. Heat through and simmer 3-5 minutes.

Serve over rice.  
Yield: 6 to 8 servings.  
Recipe from Douglas Mack, chef and owner of Mary's, Bristol, Vt.

### PORK SPARERIBS WITH MAPLE SYRUP AND CIDER BBQ SAUCE

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|---|--|
| 4 | side pork baby-back ribs (about 8 pounds, total) |
|   | salt to taste                                    |
|   | pepper to taste                                  |
|   | chili powder to taste                            |
|   | dash brandy                                      |
| ¼ | cup unsalted butter                              |
| 2 | medium onions, finely diced                      |
| 6 | cloves garlic, minced                            |
| 1 | cup ketchup                                      |
| ½ | cup maple syrup (scant)                          |
| 3 | tablespoons cider vinegar                        |

Season ribs with salt, pepper and chili powder. Put meat in a large pot, cover with cold water, bring to a simmer, and cook until meat begins to shrink from bone. (This will take at least an hour.)

In a large, heavy saucepan over low heat, melt butter. Add onions and garlic and cook until very soft. Add ketchup, maple syrup, vinegar, cumin, coriander, cayenne and dried basil (if using dried). Bring to a simmer. Adjust seasonings and add fresh basil (if using fresh) and cilantro (if using). Remove from heat.

Remove ribs from pot and preheat oven to 350 degrees. Blot ribs with paper towels and coat both sides with sauce. Place ribs on rack in shallow baking pan and bake until sauce has set, about 15 minutes. Recat ribs with additional sauce and cook until glaze is set again. Remove from oven, let cool slightly, then cut between each rib.

Yield: 6 to 8 servings.

Recipe from "Fresh From Vermont," recipes by David Miles of the New England Culinary Institute, text by Marialisa Calta (Vermont Life Magazine, 1992).

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## Home-centered Seder dinner features dishes symbolic of Hebrew deliverance

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Many Jewish holidays are centered in the temple or synagogue, but Passover is celebrated at home. The holiday lasts for eight days. This year, the first night of Passover is celebrated on April 5.

Passover is highlighted by the Seder, an evening ritual and meal. The ritual of the Seder involves eating of symbolic foods, each being explained and related to the story of the deliverance of the ancient Hebrews from slavery in Egypt.

Although menus for Passover vary by country — and even region — the following recipes for beet conserve, gefilte fish, chicken broth with matzo balls, matzo kugel, potato kugel and Passover cake are offered as one interpretation of traditional Passover cuisine.

### Beet Conserve

- |     |  |
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| 4   | cups fresh beets, cut into thin strips |
| ½   | cup strained fresh lemon juice         |
| 1/2 | teaspoon salt                          |
| 3   | cups sugar                             |
| 1   | cup honey                              |
| 2   | teaspoons freshly grated ginger        |
| 1   | lemon, peeled and thinly sliced        |
| 1   | cup hazelnuts or walnuts               |
- Cook beets until tender in boiling water with lemon juice and salt. Drain, reserving ¾ cup of the cooking liquid. Combine the sugar, honey and reserved cooking liquid in a saucepan. Bring to a boil; cook until sugar is dissolved. Add ginger, lemon slices and beets; cook over medium-high until liquid is reduced and syrupy. Remove from heat and stir in nuts. Cool and serve. Make 5 cups.

### Gefilte Fish

- |   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| 2 | pounds whitefish          |
| 2 | pounds carp               |
| 2 | pounds pike               |
| 1 | ½ cups chopped carrots    |
| 3 | cups chopped onion        |
| 1 | ½ cups chopped celery     |
| 2 | tablespoons vegetable oil |
- Salt and pepper, to taste

### Chicken Broth with Matzo Balls

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| 6     | eggs   |
| 1-3rd | 1/2 cup matzo meal                           |
|       | Ice water, as needed                         |
|       | 1/4 cup chopped parsley or chives (optional) |
- Prepared horseradish, for garnish  
Cooked carrot, for garnish
- Skin and fillet fish, reserving fillets under refrigeration for dumplings and bones for stock.
- Combine fish bones with carrots, onions and celery. Add enough cold water to cover the ingredients by 1 inch and bring to a simmer. Cook 45 minutes, skimming the surface as needed. Strain the stock into another pot; discard the bones and vegetables.
- Meanwhile, chop or grind the fish fillets very fine. Place the fish in a very cold bowl set in ice. Add oil, salt, pepper and 1 of the eggs to ground fish; mix quickly and thoroughly. Add remaining eggs, one at a time, mixing well between each addition, keeping the mixture very cold. Add matzo meal and ice water, alternating a few tablespoons of each at a time, until mixture is shiny and smooth. When proper consistency is reached, mixture will be firm but not sticky. Stir in parsley or chives, if using. Chill well.
- Bring the fish stock back to a simmer over low to moderate heat. Using two large spoons, form egg-sized dumplings of fish mixture and then drop them into simmering stock. Maintain heat at a simmer; cook for 10 to 15 minutes, basting tops of dumplings as needed. Remove cooked dumplings from stock with a slotted spoon; reserve. Strain stock; return dumplings to strained stock. Chill. Serve gefilte fish cold with some of the jellied fish stock, prepared horseradish and cooked carrot, if desired. Makes 12 servings.

### Matzo Kugel

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| 3     | large matzo squares  |
| 3     | eggs, separated  |
| 2     | tablespoons chicken fat or vegetable oil, plus additional, as needed |
| 2     | cooking apples, peeled and coarsely grated                           |
| 1-3rd | cup sugar  |
|       | Pinch salt   |
| 1/2   | teaspoon cinnamon  |
| 1-3rd | cup chopped dried apricots   |
| 1-3rd | cup sliced almonds   |
| 1     | tablespoon grated orange zest  |
| 1/2   | teaspoon cinnamon  |
| 1     | tablespoon sugar   |
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease an 8-inch square baking pan; reserve.
- Soak matzo in water to cover for 5 minutes. Drain but do not squeeze. Combine egg yolks and 2 tablespoons chicken fat; beat until smooth. Add matzo, apples, sugar, salt, cinnamon, dried apricots, almonds and orange zest. Mix well.
- Whip egg whites until they hold soft peaks. Fold egg whites into matzo mixture. Pour batter into prepared pan. Dot with additional chicken fat and sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar. Bake in a 350-degree F oven until golden brown and cooked through, about 1 hour. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

### For the broth:

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| 2   | quarts chicken broth                     |
| 1/2 | cup diced carrots                        |
| 1/2 | cup diced celery                         |
| 1/2 | tablespoon chopped fresh dill (optional) |

Combine ingredients for matzo balls, cover, and let rest in the refrigerator for 2 hours. Roll dough into balls about the diameter of a 50-cent piece. Bring the chicken broth to a boil in a large pot. Add carrots, celery and dill. Return broth to a simmer. Drop matzo balls into simmering broth and cook 45 minutes to 1 hour. Makes 6 servings.

Note: If possible, use homemade broth, prepared by simmering whole chickens with onions, carrots, celery and herbs in water. The meat can then be used to make chicken salad using kosher mayonnaise.

## Fruit dishes in full flower featured in this edition

By The Associated Press

Fruit has been working its way out of dessert and into entrees, soups, side dishes and appetizers. But many home cooks have yet to do beyond baked fruit pies and desserts.

In "Cooking with Fruit: The Complete Guide to Using Fruit Throughout the Meal, the Day, the Year," Rolce Redard Payne and Dorrit Speyer Senior show the many different ways in which fruit can be used in the daily diet (Crown).

Fruit contains no cholesterol or saturated fat and very little salt while providing vitamins, minerals and fiber. Although the emphasis is on fresh fruits, the 261-page cookbook also contains ideas for dried, canned and frozen varieties.

"When fresh fruits are out of season the cost can be prohibitive and frozen or canned fruits are an acceptable substitute," the authors write in the introduction.

Featured are over 250 ways to cook with fruits, including apples and apricots, bananas and berries,

lemons and limes, melons, oranges and kumquats. There is also a chapter on exotic and less available fruits such as carambola, guava, lychee and pomegranate.

Payne and Senior have included recipes for Stir-Fried Scallops with Mangoes, Chicken and Peach Pie, Watermelon Hors d'Oeuvres and Mexican Black Beans with Oranges. Also included are recipes for the more familiar apple crisp, blueberry muffins and cherry pie.

### Fresh Sweet Cherry Pie

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|     | For the pastry:                                  |
| 1   | ½ cups all-purpose flour                         |
| 1/2 | teaspoon salt                                    |
| 1/2 | cup plus 1 tablespoon solid vegetable shortening |
| 1   | teaspoon vinegar                                 |
| 4   | tablespoons cold water                           |
|     | For the filling:                                 |
| 2   | cups pitted fresh dark sweet cherries            |
| 1/2 | cup sugar  |
| 2   | tablespoons cornstarch                           |
| 1   | ½ teaspoon lemon juice                           |
| 1   | tablespoon lightly salted butter                 |
- Preheat oven to 425 degrees F.

Combine the flour and the salt in a mixing bowl. Cut in the shortening with a pastry blender until the mixture resembles coarse meal, then sprinkle with the vinegar and water, a tablespoon at a time, mixing with a fork until all the flour is moistened. Gather together with fingers until the dough cleans the bowl. Press into a ball, then divide in half and roll out each half onto a well-floured board into two circles slightly larger than a pie pan. Line an 8-inch pie pan with one pastry circle, leaving about 1/2-inch overhang.

Combine the cherries, sugar, cornstarch and lemon juice. Fill pastry with cherry mixture and dot with butter. Cover with top crust, fold overhang over top edge, press to seal, and flute edges. With a fork or knife, make vent holes in the top crust. Place on the middle rack of oven and bake at 425 degrees F for about 40 minutes, until the fruit is bubbling and the crust is golden brown. Allow to cool at least 30 minutes before cutting. Makes one 8-inch pie.

## Good table manners are a matter of practice

By BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS  
For AP Special Features

Getting your children to be pleasant dinner companions takes patience — and some creativity. The following tips from *Better Homes and Gardens* magazine will help them understand basic etiquette.

— The best time to start teaching table basics is when a child graduates from a high chair to the dinner table. Show your child, with regular reminders, how to use a fork and spoon and to say

"thank you" when handed things. Teach the child that throwing food, yelling, spitting and hitting are not acceptable.

— Promote mealtime as family time. To give everyone a chance to talk about the day's happenings, go around the table taking turns talking. This builds speaking and listening skills and helps each person to feel important. Encourage a positive conversation — no complaining, teasing, or scolding at the table.

— Encourage kids to try at

least one small bite of each different food. No one likes all foods, so if a food isn't accepted after a taste, don't force your child to eat it. Try serving the same food again at a later time. They may like it then.

— Use rhymes, riddles, or mental pictures to help kids remember basic manners. Placing a napkin in the lap before eating becomes "nap in the lap." For elbows, try this old-time verse: Sally, Sally (use your child's name), strong and able, take your elbows off the table.

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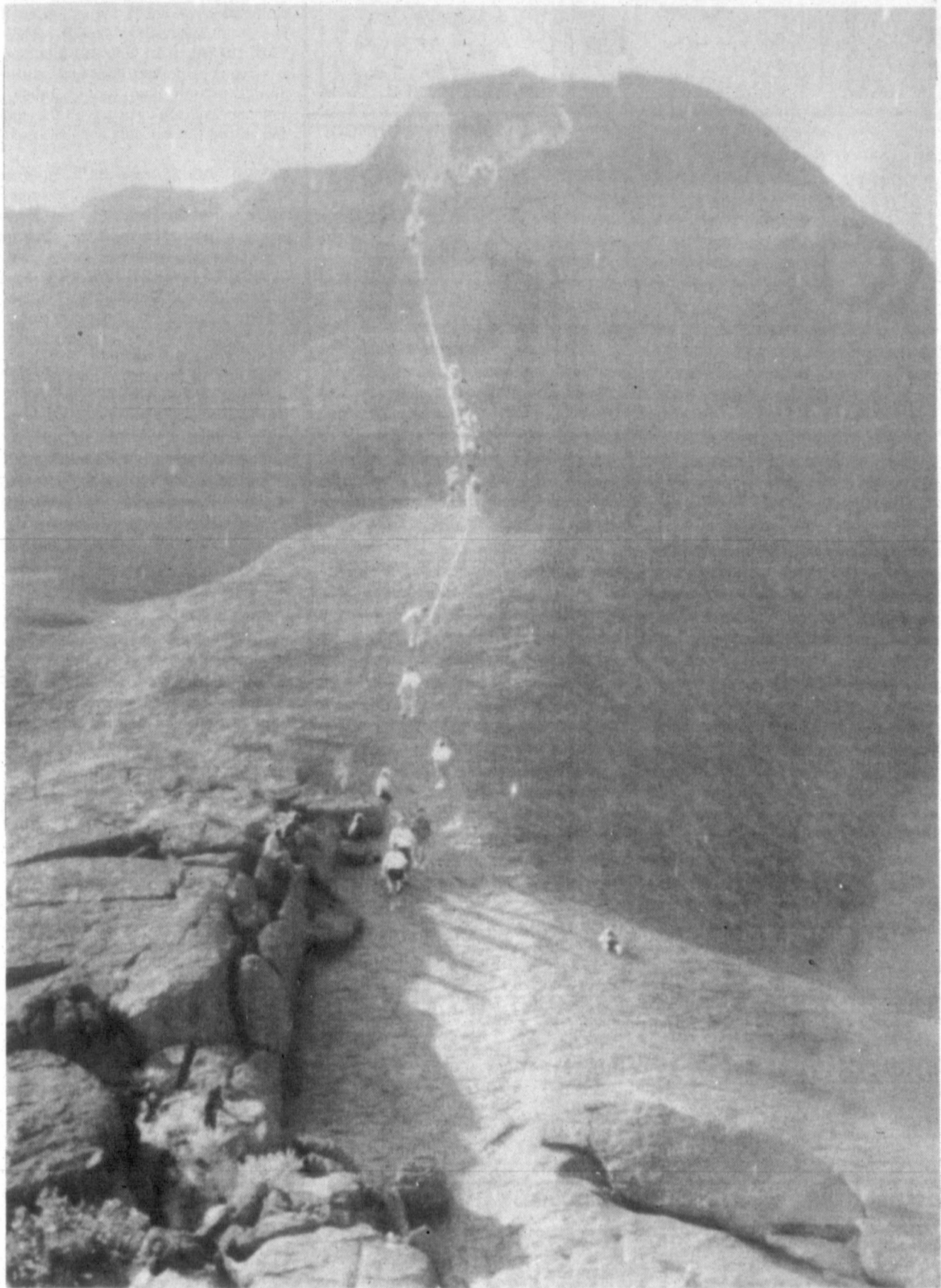
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# Lifestyles

## Climb, climb up Ayers Rock



(AP Photo)

Tourists hold tightly to the climbing chain that ascends Ayers Rock in central Australia. The unusual mound of red sandstone is a popular tourist site and one of central Australia's most striking natural landmarks, rising 1,142 feet above the surrounding desert.

## Tightest ship has a few leaks to plug

DEAR ABBY: When I read about the letters regarding UPS shipments, I had to write.

Because I am disabled, I am on a number of medications. The medical plan I am insured under uses a mail-order pharmacy. When I order drugs, I am required to order a three-month supply at a time. The value of my last order was \$1,200. It was delivered by UPS. The driver rang my doorbell one time and threw the package on my porch. Before I could see who was there, his truck was halfway down the street. He didn't bother to get a signature—or even ask for one.

Had I not been home, that \$1,200 package would have been on my front porch in plain view to anyone who would have had the inclination to steal it. So much for UPS' unwritten law!

MIKE HOFFMAN,  
PORTLAND, ORE.

DEAR MIKE: Wow! Do you ever have company! Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I wasn't surprised by the letter complaining about UPS; you should receive a truckload more.

When I moved from Massachusetts to Oregon several years ago, I shipped a personal computer to myself via UPS. It was packed as it had been by the manufacturer, and I was informed that the shipper would be liable if there was any damage.

The parcel arrived—the packaging was mutilated and my computer was in pieces! After my phone



Dear Abby  
Abigail Van Buren

call, UPS sent a representative out to see whether the computer had been packed correctly; I was told he would have to take the parcel to Portland for more investigation. Several weeks later, I phoned UPS and was told that my computer was on its way back to Massachusetts in its mutilated packing so it could be inspected by the sender. I explained that I was the sender and I was not in Massachusetts!

Many phone calls and letters to UPS representatives brought promises that my computer would be returned promptly, but no admission that the computer was damaged or that anyone in particular, much less UPS, was responsible.

Several weeks had passed when a UPS truck drove up my street. My wife and I watched it pass by our house. I was still cursing UPS when the neighbor boy came over to show us something he had in a wheelbarrow. It was my computer. He said it had been dumped in their garage

and he wondered if it was ours!

After that, UPS representatives continued to answer my complaints by promising much, but delivering nothing, so I concluded that the only way I could get compensation was to take them to court.

I did. And now I can happily sign myself ...

A SATISFIED UPS CUSTOMER

DEAR ABBY: Here's a funny follow-up on your UPS delivery article: Some years back, I baked up a storm of cookies for our daughter who was living out west. I sent them by UPS.

She was not home when the delivery person delivered them, so the large, carefully packed box of cookies was left with a neighbor. The "neighbor" turned out to be a fraternity house, so you can well imagine the end of the story!

UPS put a tracer on the package and, upon discovering the interception, was prompt and pleasant about the reimbursement.

MARY WESTHEIMER,  
CINCINNATI

DEAR MARY WESTHEIMER: Those who have lived in a fraternity house will relate to that story. An equally hungry bunch of young people can be found in a sorority house.

To order "How to Write Letters for All Occasions," send a business-sized, self-addressed, stamped envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

## Club News

Preceptor Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Carol Martin on March 15.

Pledge ritual was held for Terresa Collins and laureate degree for Ruth McBride. Officers for the coming year were elected.

Chili supper is scheduled for March 26 in the home of Gerry and Clint Caylor.

The next meeting is April 5 in the home of Alberta Jeffries.

The Pampa Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association met March 9 at Coronado Hill with Louise Hill, presiding.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Hill presented the treasurer's report.

The group voted to present Mary Dell McNeil at trophy honoring her as Woman of the Year. Estelle Malone resigned from the education committee.

A chapter recipient will receive a grant from the national organization.

The executive board meeting is April 6. The monthly meeting is April 13.

March hostesses were Odessa Ledbetter and Barbara McCain. April hostesses are Mary Dell McNeil and Kay McKoon.

The rocket fund was won by Betty King and the door prize by Dorothy Herd.

Pam Extension Homemakers met March 19 in the recreation room at Pam Apartments. The minutes were read by Maxine Bennett.

Devotion was given by Audrey Huff. Roll call was answered with "what I wished my parents had named me."

The 1993 budget was read and discussed. A report on the January stock show was given. Homemaker of the Year was discussed. The club

voted to continue support of Day Care Center and Tralee Crisis Center as 1993 projects.

The next meeting is set for 10 a.m. April 9 in the recreation room of Pam Apartments.

Daughters of the American Revolution met in the home of Mrs. P.R. Britton. Mrs. Tom Cantrell, regent, presided. The DAR ritual was led by Cantrell and acting chaplain, Mrs. David Kampschroeder.

The president-general's message was read by Mrs. Emmett Osborne. It pertained to American History Month and tells about past leaders of the country.

The national defense chairman, Mrs. Maryl Jones, reported on the entertainment industry.

Mrs. Jack White presented a program entitled "The Future of the Earth" explaining the importance of strict conservation.

## Questions and answers, courtesy Social Security Administration

The Social Security Administration has offered a list of commonly asked questions and answers.

Q: My son, who is disabled, receives Supplemental Security Income (SSI) checks. He wants to find a job but I'm afraid that if he goes to work, he'll lose his Medicaid benefits. Is it possible for him to work and keep his Medicaid coverage?

A: Yes. Your son may continue to qualify for Medicaid even if he earns too much to receive SSI benefits. To keep his Medicaid coverage, he must continue to be disabled, meet all other SSI eligibility requirements, be dependent on Medicaid coverage to continue working, and be unable to purchase similar medical care.

Q: My 16-year old disabled daughter, who has no income, lives with me. Is she eligible for SSI?

A: She might be. It depends on your total family income and how many other children are in the house. Your best bet is to check with Social Security at 1-800-772-1213, business days between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Q: I just filed my income taxes and I am expecting a refund check. Will the return effect the amount of my SSI?

A: No, your tax refund will not effect the amount of your SSI check. However, if you save your tax refund and it puts you over the SSI resource limit (\$2,000 for individuals and \$3,000 for couple) you should report it to Social Security.

Q: I've been receiving a Social Security benefit since my dad died four years ago. Although I'll be 18 in March, I won't graduate from high school until June. Will my Social Security benefit stop when I turn 18?

A: No. Social Security benefits can be paid as long as you attend

high school or until the month you graduate or reach 19, whichever occurs first.

Q: Recently I took a second job. Both my employers are deducting Social Security taxes from my wages. It seems that by year's end I will have more in Social Security taxes than necessary. What can I do?

A: You don't have to pay Social Security taxes on earnings over \$57,600. When you file your Federal income tax, there is a section on your form 1040 that allows you to apply for a refund of any overpayment in your Social Security tax. You continue to pay Medicare taxes on earnings up to \$135,000.

Q: I suffered a disabling injury as a result of an automobile accident several years ago and began receiving Social Security disability benefits. Although my medical condition hasn't changed significantly since the accident, I'm looking for a job because I need extra income. Will my disability benefits stop immediately if I'm able to get a job?

A: No. If you return to work before there is a significant improvement in your medical condition, you may be eligible for a "trial work period." The trial work period, which may last up to nine months, allows you to test your ability to work. If you show you are able to work, you will be paid benefits for an additional three months after the end of the trial work period. For information, contact your local Social Security office or call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, business days, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Q: My 65-year old wife needs x-rays but she is very ill and unable to travel. I've been told that there are portable x-ray machines that can be brought to our home and used. Will

my wife's Medicare insurance pay for x-ray services performed in our home?

A: Yes. Medicare will help pay for portable diagnostic x-ray services in your home if the services are ordered by a physician and provided by a Medicare-certified supplier.

Q: A lady comes in once a week to clean my house. She works for a local janitorial service. Do I have to pay Social Security taxes for her?

A: No. Her employer must pay her taxes.

Did you know ... Seventy percent of all Supplemental Security Income recipients get their benefits because they have a disability. Thirty percent receive them because they are 65 and older.

During fiscal year 1992, income to the old-age, survivors and disability insurance trust funds totalled \$338.3 billion and expenditures were \$287.5 billion. At the end of the fiscal year, the assets of the trust funds which are invested in treasury bonds, totalled \$319.2 billion.

Instances of possible fraud in the Social Security, Medicare or SSI programs may be reported to the Social Security toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213. Callers may remain anonymous.

Through the years, the Social Security Administration has discouraged the use of the Social Security number for purposes other than the Social Security program.

Ninety-nine percent of all adult getting Social Security survivors benefits are women.

The local Social Security Office is located at 123 S. Gillespie, Pampa. The telephone number is 669-1010. Office hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday except on national holidays.

Dorla McAndrew, secretary; and Carol Gordon, Joyce Simon, Jack Gindorf, Bill Etheridge, Judy Warner, Sharon Nance and Tom Kernan.

Board members of Crime Stoppers are Jack McAndrew, president; Rutley Chalk, vice president; Buddy Guinn, treasurer; Gary Willoughby, secretary; Wayne Jones, Clara Sailor, Deena Carter, Tracey Jennings, Robert Knowles and Lyle Gage.

## 'Get Out of Jail Free' cards and warrants available

"Don't get mad ... get even" is this year's theme for the Jail-A-Thon originated by Dorla McAndrew, event chairperson.

The Jail-A-Thon, a fund raising benefit of Gray County Crime Stoppers and Tralee Crisis Center, is scheduled for 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday in the Gray County Jail.

"Get Out of Jail Free" cards and arrest warrants are available from the following businesses: Dunlap's,

Hi-Land Pharmacy, Superior RV Center, Pampa Office Supply and Robert Knowles Dealerships.

The event is coordinated by the boards of directors of Gray County Crime Stoppers and Tralee Crisis Center.

Board members of Tralee Crisis Center are J. Carl Chilton, president; Lora S. Baggerman, president-elect; Curt Beck, vice president; Louise Bailey, treasurer;

## Newsmakers

Roby Conner of Pampa was among 11 Schreiner College students who were inducted into the Alpha Chi honor scholarship society at ceremonies on campus March 4. He is the son of Harold and Frances Conner and is a philosophy major.

In order to be eligible for membership students must have achieved junior or senior status, be of good character, and maintain grades that rank them in the upper tenth of their class.

David Cumpston qualified for the fall 1992 Dean's List at Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos. He is a 1991 graduate of Pampa High School and son of Lorita Cumpston, Pleasanton.

Christian Engle, Jerry Lind-



Roby Conner

sey and Venita Roland each earned an associate of applied sciences in instrumentation technology from Texas State Technical College.

Engle has taken a job with the

Texas Agriculture Extension Station with Texas A&M University as a research instrumentation specialist. He is located in Bushland.

Marine Sgt. Thomas W. Oliver, whose wife Connie, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Lee Jr., Pampa, recently reported for duty with the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The 1983 graduate of Caprock High School, Amarillo, joined the Marine Corps in August, 1983.

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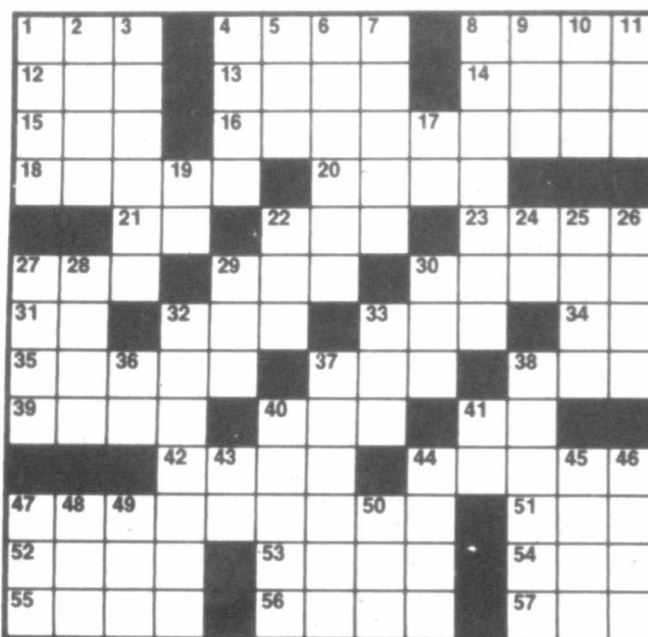
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  - 2 Part of the eye
  - 3 Eating

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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- 26 Actress Baxter
- 27 — chowder
- 28 Follow orders
- 29 Face part
- 30 Hawaiian timber tree
- 32 Sticks
- 33 Spanish hero El —
- 36 Rd.
- 37 Not pro
- 38 Basement
- 40 African river
- 41 Roman 51
- 43 Univ. deg.
- 44 Lock openers
- 45 Old musical instrument
- 46 Cheers
- 47 Racket string material
- 48 Neighbor of Mex.
- 49 Roman bronze
- 50 Without end (poet.)



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### Astro-Graph

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You have yet to fulfill an obligation promised to someone you care about, and it might be brought to your attention today. Produce instead of making excuses. 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.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Members of the opposite gender may find you more attractive than usual today. Relish this attention, but don't wander off the straight and narrow. An innocent flirtation could get out of hand.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** If you attempt to buy affection today instead of earning it, your gestures are likely to fall flat. Saying "I love you" and showing it will have more impact than a material gift.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Be wary today of making unreasonable demands on the one you love. Possessive requests will push this person away from you instead of drawing him or her closer to you.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** There's a possibility today that you might let someone down who was always there to assist you whenever you needed help. Thoughtlessness on your behalf could impair the relationship.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** If you have a disagreement with your sweetheart today, the worst thing you can do is let your friends know about it. Resolve your differences in private.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Occasionally, we all feel we don't get the appropriate attention from those we love. Today this might happen to you, but don't wear your heart on your sleeve.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Continue to establish a good relationship with co-workers today, but don't let this lead to something romantic. If you do, it could cause unnecessary complications.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You, more than most signs in the zodiac, value your independence. You might step out of character today and put limitations on the freedom of one you love.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** A loved one might not react to a given situation today exactly as you envision. Make allowances for his or her rights to freedom of expression.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Instead of being supportive of your mate today, you might focus on criticism instead. Your shortsightedness will not only hurt the one you love, it could ignite a heated argument.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** This is one of those days where you might be unduly generous to the undeserving, while being rather stingy toward someone whom you should be looking out for.

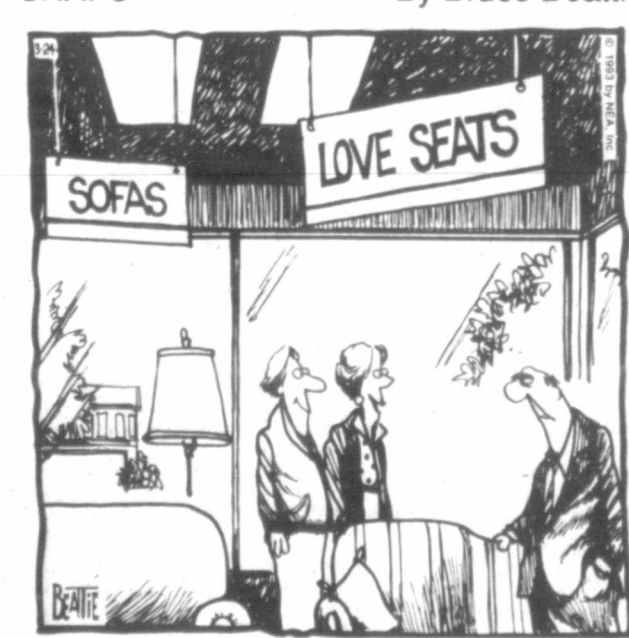
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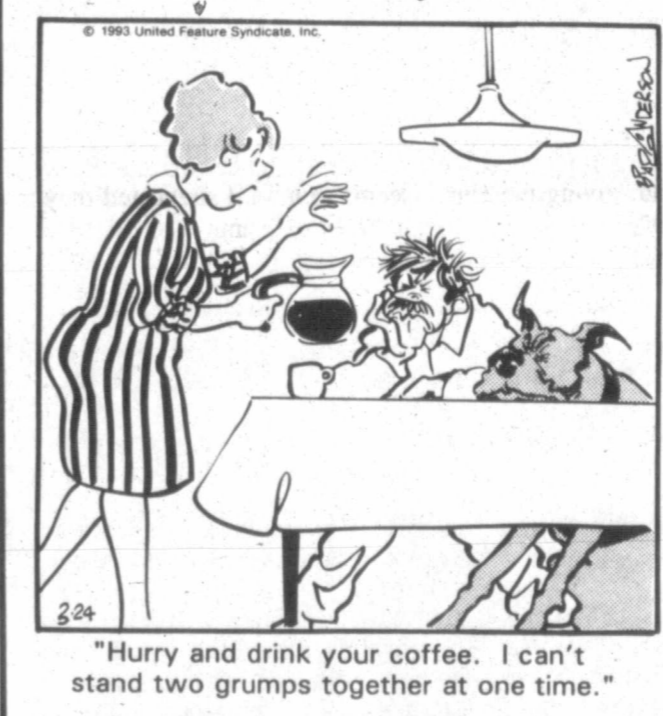
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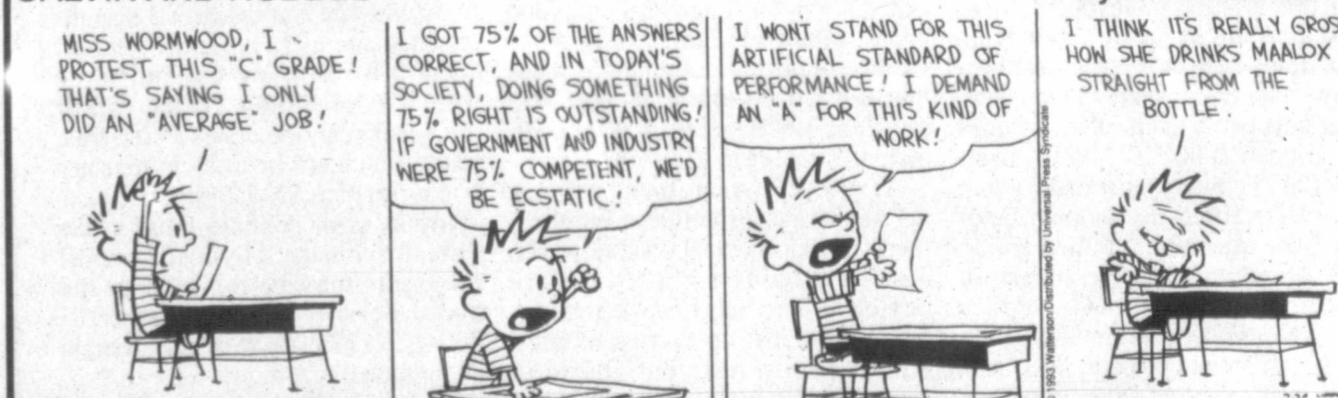
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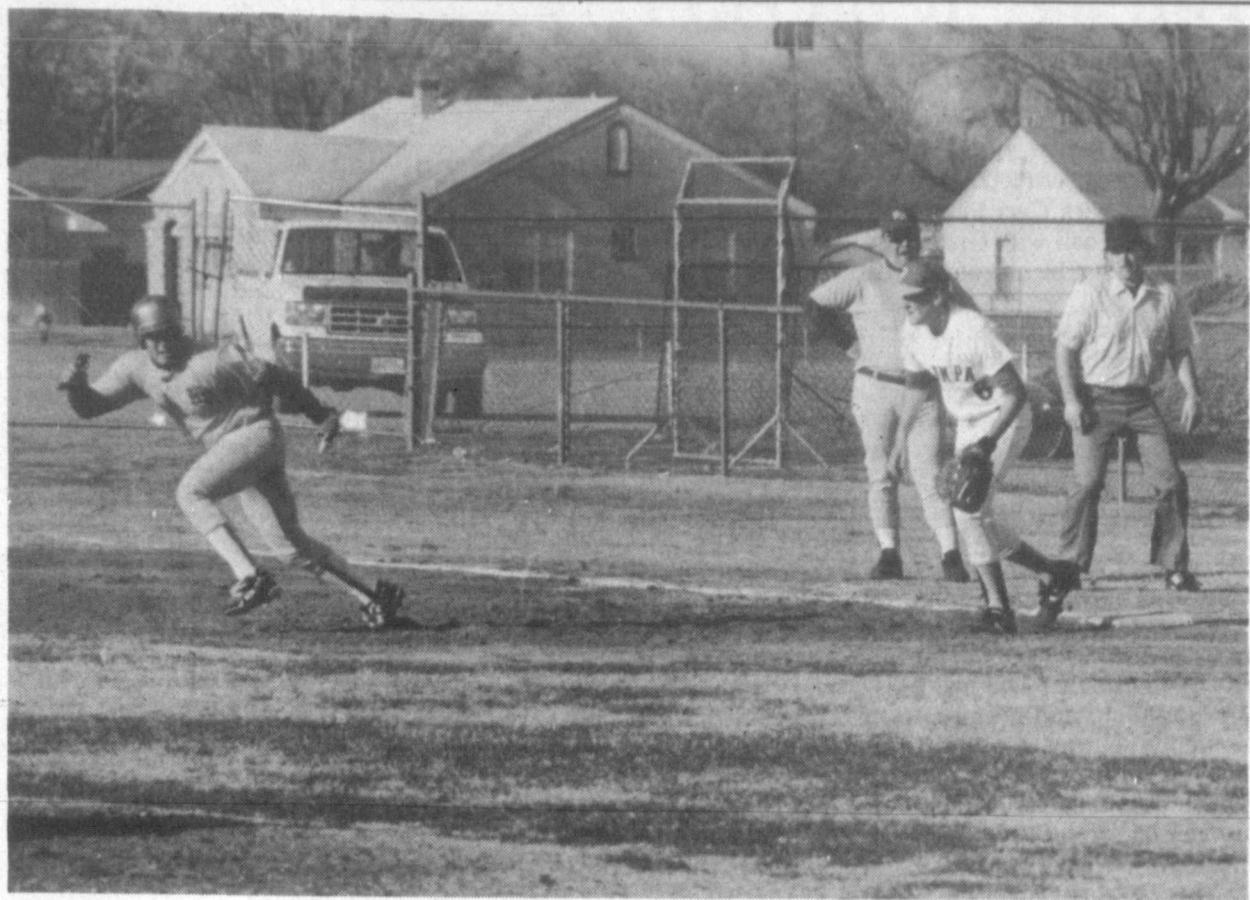


### GARFIELD





# Sports



(Photo by Dan Fromm)

**Matt Finney tries to hold a River Road runner on first base Tuesday at Harvester Field.**

## Poole's three-run homer lifts Harvesters past River Road

By DAN FROMM  
Sports Writer

In baseball, they say two-out singles are golden.

Chris Poole's two-out, three-run home run in the bottom of the sixth inning Tuesday afternoon against River Road was definitely a true gem. Poole had ended Pampa rallies in the first and fourth inning and was hitless in three at-bats, but he made up for it with his fourth home run of the season.

It came on a 2-2 pitch with the game knotted at five runs apiece. Poole hit a towering shot into the left field corner that looked like it might curve foul. But a slight wind and a lot of hope from the Pampa dugout kept the ball in play as it sailed over the fence to give the Harvesters an 8-5 lead.

Danny Frye (2-3) then finished a strong pitching performance by getting three straight outs after a base on balls to start the inning. Frye surrendered just one earned run and nine hits in seven innings, winning his second straight game after starting the season 0-3. Frye walked two and struck out five; he threw 93 pitches in the game, 66 of them for strikes.

Pampa coach Rod Porter said after the game that the last inning definitely surprised him. "I wonder if these guys ever have a doubt," Porter said, somewhat in awe of his players. "They surprise me, but they never seem to surprise themselves."

"Our kids keep their composure late in the game. We are one of the best late-inning teams around. We don't lie down for anybody."

Porter was very happy with the contributions of all his players, including those in the dugout.

"Every kid contributed and that's a great team effort," he said. Offensively, the first six players in the batting order combined for the Harvesters' 14 hits. Greg Moore, Kurt West and Kyle Parnell led the way with three hits each in what proved to be a see-saw of a game.

Moore jumped on the first pitch in the bottom of the first inning, doubling into center field. Brad Smillie then singled him in as the Harvesters took a 1-0 lead after one inning of play.

In the bottom of the second, Parnell led off with a single. He stole second, advanced to third on a throwing error and scored when Hank Gindorf hit a long sacrifice fly to center field, giving the Harvesters a 2-0 lead.

Trailing 3-2 in the bottom of the third inning, West hit his first home run of the season. The two-run shot with one out gave Pampa a 4-3 lead. They didn't keep it long though, as River Road took a 5-4 lead in the top of the fifth inning. Pampa then went down in order for the only time in the game and it looked like the see-saw had finally settled in favor of the visitors.

The Harvesters defense, after struggling early, made inning-ending double plays in the fifth and sixth to keep the score close. Both times, it was Gindorf to Smillie to Finney, a 6-4-3 combination that encouraged Porter.

"We've been looking for the right combination in the field," he said. "These guys still made some mistakes, but maybe we're turning the corner and this group of players is the one. We'll stick with them for a while."

Gindorf drew a base on balls to start the Harvesters' half of the

sixth inning and advanced to second on a throwing error. Matt Garvin came in to pinch run for Gindorf and scored on a single by Greg Moore, tying the game at five. Kurt West then singled with two outs, moving Moore to third base and setting up Poole's heroic homer.

From the time Pampa took the field in the first inning to the final out in the seventh, the Harvesters' dugout was a source of constant baseball banter. They chanted, chatted and chided their teammates to victory. Porter admitted, "I don't know what they're saying, but after our last game, I pointed out they always get real noisy in the last inning or two and it always seems to help. I suggested they try it the whole game."

Besides rallying the team, the new attitude in the dugout may be a winning one. The Harvesters were a much happier bunch Tuesday and Porter said it's due in part to their 6-7 record. "They realize now that they can have a winning record going into district play," Porter explained.

The Harvesters will play a double-header at Perryton Friday, beginning at 3 p.m. With a two-game sweep, they will improve to 8-7 and begin their district play April 3rd at Randall.

Harvesters Box Score					
Player	AB	H	R	RBI	
Moore, rf	4	3	3	1	
Smillie, 2b	4	2	0	1	
West, c	4	3	2	2	
Poole, cf	4	1	1	3	
Parnell, 3b	4	3	1	0	
Finney, 1b	4	2	0	0	
Clark, dh	1	0	0	0	
Gindorf, ss	1	0	1	1	
Cavallier, lf	2	0	0	0	
ph-Kendall, lf	1	0	0	0	

Pitcher					
Player	IP	H	R	ER	K
Frye, W (2-3)	7	9	5	1	5

## Hoyas knock off UTEP to advance to NIT final four

By RICHARD KEIL  
AP Sports Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Maybe if the Georgetown Hoyas played all their games on campus, they would be in the NCAA tournament, not the NIT.

The Hoyas (18-12) used tiny McDonough Gymnasium for pre-season tuneups against pushovers, and Texas El-Paso played that role perfectly Tuesday as Georgetown grabbed a 71-44 victory.

For Texas-El Paso, the whole day was a wash. They arrived 20 minutes late after getting stuck in rush-hour traffic, and most players left their skills on the bus.

Georgetown led 13-2 nine minutes into the game, and after guard Joey Brown hit a 3-pointer, the Hoyas were ahead 23-4 with seven minutes left. A trio of 3-pointers — two by Brown, one by John Jacques — gave Georgetown a 38-10 half-time lead.

Brown led Georgetown with 16 points, while center Othella Harrington added 15 for the Hoyas, who play Thursday against Miami of Ohio at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. The winner of that game advances to the NIT final four at New York's Madison Square Garden.

Reserve forward Ralph Davis led the Miners (21-13) with 22 points.

Numbers almost aren't enough to describe Texas-El Paso's ineptitude, but here they are: no starter scored in the first half, Davis scored the first six, guard Antoine Gillespie added a basket and Davis' two free throws with 40 seconds left gave Texas-El Paso (21-13) its ninth and 10th points of the first 20 minutes.

In the first half, the Miners shot just 16 percent on a 3-for-19 effort. Guard Eddie Rivera, who averaged 43 percent. It was Texas-El Paso's abysmal performance that decided the outcome.

## Astros' Harnisch hopes to exhibit more self control

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ  
AP Sports Writer

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — Pete Harnisch admires his new Houston Astros pitching mates, Doug Drabek and Greg Swindell. But it goes beyond Drabek's breaking pitches or Swindell's control.

It's their self control.

"I've watched them pitch enough to know that they take every situation like there are no men on base and an 0-2 count," Harnisch said. "They don't get wrapped up in situations."

Anyone who's seen Harnisch pitch would say he definitely gets wrapped up in his work.

"I don't think my concentration is where it should be and temper wise, I blow up in certain situations," Harnisch said. "My emotions go up and down too much during a game."

The more steamed Harnisch becomes, the more physical he becomes.

"When I got in those situations in the past, I've gotten out of myself," he said. "I get so emotionally pumped up I keep saying 'fastball, fastball.'"

Harnisch does expect to get his emotions on a leash.

"You don't just wake up one morning and it's over," Harnisch said. "I won't ever have Greg's control or throw the breaking stuff

like Doug. I just want to be able to control myself enough to throw the pitches when something like that happens.

"When I pitch, I see too much, the whole picture, instead of being able to focus on the pitch. This year, I'm telling myself 'don't think, just throw the ball at the glove.'"

Harnisch was an All-Star in his first season at Houston in 1991 with a 12-9 record and 2.70 ERA and led the league by holding opposing batters to a .212 average.

Last season had more soft spots.

Harnisch had a 9-10 record and team leading 3.70 ERA last season, although his ERA was the highest to lead any NL staff. He won only three games before the All-Star break but finished 5-1 over his final 15 starts.

He continued cutting down on his walks, giving up 2.79 per nine innings.

"It had a long way to go down from where it was," Harnisch said.

Good point. Harnisch is the only pitcher in the majors who has lowered his walk rate the past four years. He started out in 1988 with 6.23 walks per nine innings.

"A lot of hard work mechanically went into that and hopefully it can down some more," Harnisch said. "Last year, for me, was outstanding. I don't know if I can ever get down to 2-flat."

## Pampa drops 3-2 squeaker to Canutillo

Canutillo held off Pampa in the second half for a 3-2 win in the area round of the high school soccer playoffs Tuesday at Harvester Stadium.

Pampa, runners-up in District 4, finished the season with an 8-7 record. Canutillo, 17-4, advances to the regional round to meet El Paso Coronado.

### Soccer

Canutillo took a 1-0 lead in the first half on a goal by Oliver Caballeros in the 10th minute. Pampa bounced back to knot the score at the half on a goal by Assencion Anguiano in the 36th minute.

The Indians went on top to stay with another goal by Caballeros and then added another score on a penalty kick by Miguel Mares.

Pampa's second goal came on a penalty kick by Jamey Smiles. Amarillo High and Amarillo Caprock, District 4's other playoff representatives, were also eliminated in playoff matches Tuesday.

El Paso Hanks downed Amarillo High, 3-1, and El Paso Hanks blanked Caprock, 8-0.

In the girls' division, the district's three playoff qualifying

teams were also ousted from the playoffs.

El Paso High defeated Tascosa, 5-0; El Paso Hanks won over Caprock, 8-0, and El Paso Coronado shut out Amarillo High, 8-0.



(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

**Pampa's Jamey Smiles, right, and Canutillo's Jose De Los Santos chase after the ball in an area round soccer match Tuesday.**

## Team play key to Vanderbilt's success

By BOB BAUM  
AP Sports Writer

They screen, they pass, they shoot the lights out.

Vanderbilt heads for Seattle and an NCAA West Regional semifinal matchup with Temple carrying the reputation of a team in the strict sense of the word, no great athletes maybe, but a group of good ones who know how to play together.

"We're not overly athletic or quick," coach Eddie Fogler said. "But we're a very good basketball team."

Vanderbilt was seeded third in the West and is the second-highest seed still alive in the region. Top-seeded Michigan plays George Washington in Friday's other semifinal game at the Kingdom.

Fogler has heard his players described as overachievers all season. He has mixed emotions about the label.

"For those who know a lot about basketball and say we're overachieving, I think they're saying that we are playing as close to our ability as possible and that's flattering," he said. "For those who think we are overachieving and have just been lucky, I don't think they know much about the game."

And don't tell Fogler he doesn't have good players.

"We have some good athletes. We have some very good basketball players," he said. "You don't go 28-5 and win the regular-season Southeastern Conference championship over Kentucky and Arkansas if you don't have good players."

The starting lineup certainly doesn't look overpowering. The tallest player is 6-foot-9 Chris Lawson. The power forward is 6-5 Bruce Elder.

### Basketball

But the Commodores have one great scorer in Billy McCaffrey, who's averaging 20.7 points per game, and four others who are consistent. All five starters average in double figures.

"We don't walk out on the court and physically intimidate people," Elder said. "A lot of people think of talent as who can run the fastest, who can jump the highest and who has the best athletes. But there is a lot more that goes into talent."

The buzzword that applies is chemistry.

"People underestimate how important team chemistry is and how important it is to play hard, play together and do the little things," forward Kevin Anglin said. "That's how we win."

Fogler gets the credit for putting this team together. He's already received several national coach of the year honors.

The team is 81-47 in his four seasons at the school. But the arrival of McCaffrey has lifted the Commodores to another level of success.

McCaffrey played for Duke's national championship team two years ago, but wanted a bigger role than designated shooter. Now he's still playing in the NCAA tournaments, while his old teammates have been eliminated.

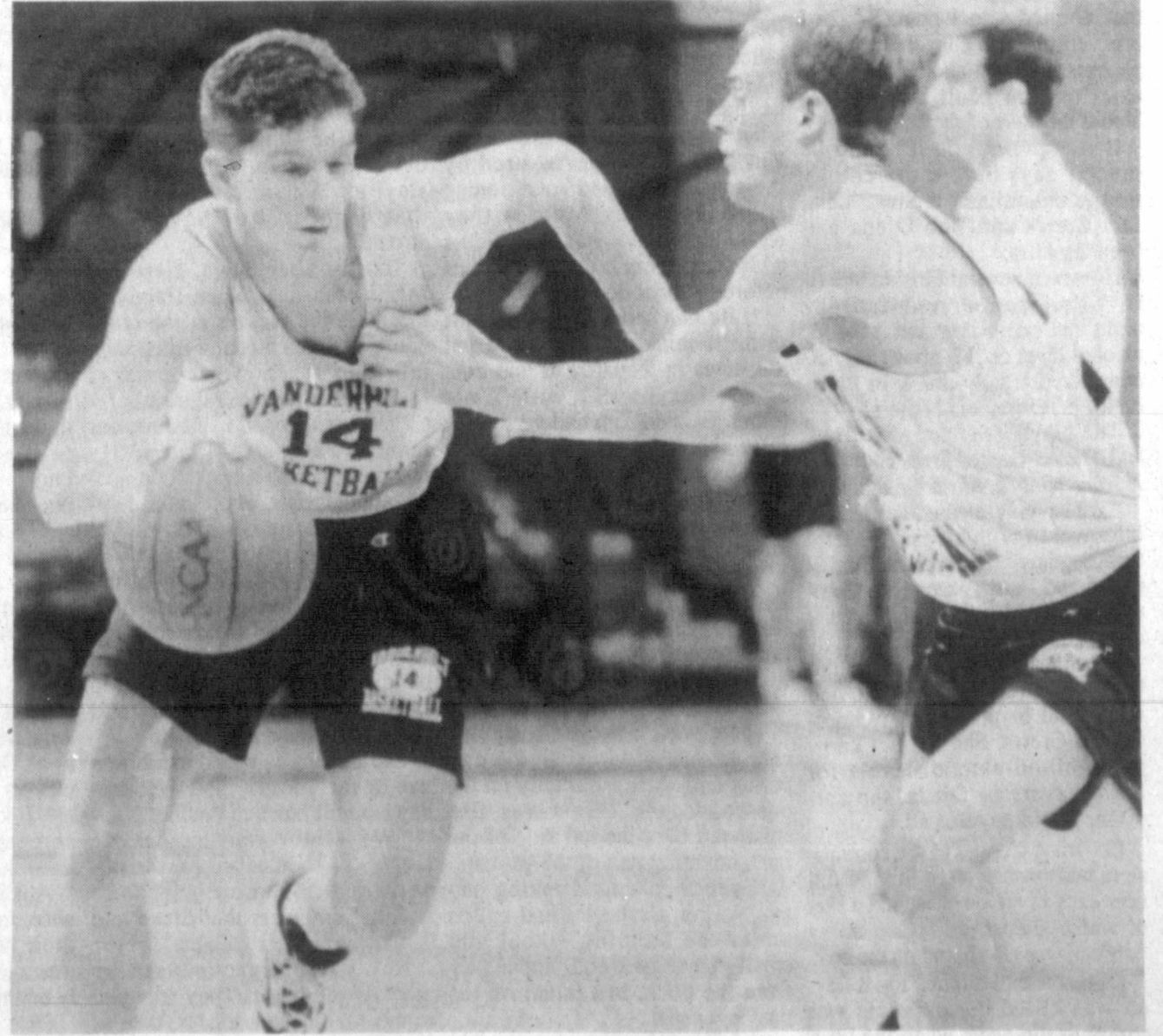
"He's had one heck of a year," Fogler said. "He's shot the ball well. He competes. He guards. He has no ego. His teammates love him."

The shooters and passers of Vanderbilt will meet a very different team in Temple, which relies heavily on a matchup zone defense.

"Temple is a unique team. They zone 40 minutes if they can. They're holding opponents to 40.6 percent from the floor," Fogler said.

Vanderbilt, though, is shooting 50 percent for the season.

"We're a good shooting team," Fogler said. "Hopefully we can get good shots and make them pay on Friday night."



(AP Photo)

**Vanderbilt's Billy McCaffrey dribbles past teammate Frank Seckar during Tuesday's practice.**

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Football meetings centered around free agent market

By DAVE GOLDBERG AP Football Writer

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) — Mike Sherrard sat down for a chat with George Young of the Giants...

Just another day at the public auction, otherwise known as the NFL meetings.

As the meetings wound down Tuesday, with routine business matters speeding along, it became increasingly clear the main matter of interest was free agency and its effect on the balance of power.

Sherrard, San Francisco's No. 3 wide receiver, was one of three players trotted in by Leigh Steinberg...

Sexton held court for an hour in the morning and said "it would be safe to say" that White has narrowed his choices to four teams.

Then in the next breath Sexton said "things can change from day to day," suggested that White would talk to coach Dan Reeves of the Giants...

On the business front, the owners passed a couple of rules changes.

One expands rosters from 47 to 53 players, but requires that all players on injured reserve be kept out for the season.

"It will give more flexibility to teams with players injured for short periods," said commissioner Paul Tagliabue...

The other is an attempt to increase the number of plays per game and the scoring by cutting from 45 seconds to 40 the time between plays.

But free agency remained the underlying theme.

For the first time at these meetings, agents became a familiar part of the scene.

Sherrard, for one, said he found the process interesting, but tiring.

He noted, for example, that Tim Rooney, the Giants' personnel director, told him on a visit to New York...

Steinberg, meanwhile, was selling the Giants — at least when New York writers were nearby.

Suns pull away from Knicks in basketbrawl

PHOENIX (AP) — The New York Knicks lost three players after a brawl Tuesday night, then lost their poise in the second half.

Dan Majerle scored 14 of his 22 points in the third quarter, when the Phoenix Suns pulled away from the decimated Knicks for a 121-92 victory...

Outscoring the team with the NBA's second-best record 62-39 in the second half, the Suns may have softened fans' worries that they are too soft to stand up to Eastern Conference opposition.

The game was marred by a wild brawl after the half ended.

Five players, including Knicks Doc Rivers, John Starks and Anthony Mason and the Suns' Kevin Johnson and Danny Ainge, were ejected.

Greg Anthony, sitting out his third straight game for New York because of an ankle sprain, came off the bench and punched Johnson.

Charles Barkley had 31 points and 11 rebounds, Cedric Ceballos 20 points and 12 rebounds and Tom Chambers 18 points for the Suns.

Investigation continues into power boat mishap which killed two Cleveland players

Crews, 31, who officials said was driving the boat, was also struck in the chest. He died a few hours later after being hospitalized with head and lung injuries.

Ojeda, 35, suffered cuts on his head and was in serious condition after surgery. He is expected to make a full recovery.

It was the first time two major league baseball players were killed in the same accident.

General manager John Hart said he had "absolutely no idea" whether the players were drunk.

But he said he was assured by Indians strength and conditioning coach Fernando Montes they weren't. Montes was at a picnic with the players and their families before the boat ride.

"Life is a series of risks," Hart said. "I think all of us have put ourselves in jeopardy at one time or another. I spoke with Tim's father. He said Tim had very strict rules about his boat. He was very familiar with the lake."

The 18-foot fiberglass Skeeter bass boat had a 150-horsepower motor and a top speed of 60 mph.

Viewed by an AP reporter at the Lake County Sheriff's garage in Eustis, Fla., the gray and silver boat appeared to have sustained little damage, just some scrapes and scratches.

There was, however, a significant amount of blood on the carpeting and seats, especially on the passenger side. Blood was also splattered over the left side of the boat, covering part of the gas cap.

A yellow plastic drinking cup and yellow flashlight had rolled under the steering wheel and small pieces of wood, apparently from the dock, had fallen on the passenger seat.

The speedometer had stopped at 39 mph.

The accident happened on Little Lake Nellie, 27 miles north of Winter Haven, at the end of a day the players spent picnicking with their families on the team's only break of the spring.

As word of the tragedy spread, teammates began seeking one another. Second baseman Carlos Baerga said most of them had gathered at the Holiday Inn near the ballpark by about 3 a.m.

"Everyone was crying," said Baerga, the only player willing to talk with reporters. "I went over to the Holiday Inn because that's where a lot of the guys are staying. When something like that happens, you have to be strong."

Shortly after dawn, Hart and Indians manager Mike Hargrove met with the players at the clubhouse. It was a meeting filled with talk and tears. Some players spoke. Most were too stunned.

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Ojeda expected to fully recover

By HARRY ATKINS AP Sports Writer

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) — Beer and vodka were found Tuesday aboard the power boat that rammed a dock on a darkened lake, killing two Cleveland Indian pitchers, injuring another and devastating the club two weeks before the start of the season.

Investigators said it would be several days before toxicology studies determined if Steve Olin, Tim Crews and Bob Ojeda had been drinking.

However, several Florida television stations reported Tuesday night that one player had a blood-alcohol level of .17, above the .10 considered legally drunk in Florida for motorists and boaters.

The player was not identified, and The Associated Press could not independently confirm the reports.

"We haven't released any of that information at this time," Cheryl Strouse, duty officer for the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, said Tuesday night. "If it did get out, it was premature."

Strouse said an autopsy had been done Tuesday on Olin, and one would be performed Wednesday on Crews. She did not know when blood-alcohol levels for both players or Ojeda, the survivor, would be released.

Lt. Bruce Cooper of the commission said investigators "found full beer cans in an ice chest and a liter of vodka almost full." One empty beer can was also found on the boat.

Olin, 27, the Indians' top reliever, was killed instantly. He was struck in the chest when the boat, near full throttle, raced under the dock before hitting a post.

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# U.S. attorneys anticipated getting the boot

By CAROLYN SKORNECK  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — As political appointees of a Republican president no longer in office, the nation's U.S. attorneys were not surprised by the new Democratic attorney general's request for their resignations.

But some said they were upset that their first word came from news accounts after Attorney General Janet Reno told reporters Tuesday that she was asking the U.S. attorneys to submit their resignations.

"In my career, I've worked for eight attorney generals," said U.S. Attorney Richard Stacy in Cheyenne, Wyo. "If this one wants me to resign, she had better let me know some way other than through the press."

Reno announced Tuesday she was asking for the resignations from the 77 U.S. attorneys who are Bush administration appointees. The rest of the 93 U.S. attorney's posts are held by court



Attorney General Janet Reno at a press conference.

appointees; they were not asked to resign. Replacements will be made on a

case-by-case basis, not en masse, Ms. Reno said. "We are going to try to do it in a very orderly way that

does not impact in any way on any pending matter." In the nation's capital, U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens' office is investigating whether Rep. Daniel Rostenkowski, D-Ill., used the purchase of stamps at the House Post Office to convert funds for personal or campaign use.

As chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, Rostenkowski is considered integral to getting Clinton's economic package through Congress.

Stephens called a news conference Tuesday to say the Justice Department told him he would be replaced with an interim appointee in 10 days even though the department knew his office had planned to make a "critical decision" in the Rostenkowski case within a month. Stephens would not identify the source of this information.

Stephens said today that the Clinton administration's action was unprecedented in that it would remove current U.S. attorneys "in one fell swoop."

"This action has a substantial impact on the management of law enforcement across the country," he said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

Stephens said it was "appropriate" for a new president to appoint his own people, but that it normally is done on a more orderly, district-by-district basis as replacements are found for U.S. attorneys appointed by previous administrations.

Stephens declined to speculate when asked whether his early replacement might derail the Rostenkowski investigation.

"I am confident it will be pursued by experienced career prosecutors and can only trust that the integrity of that investigation will not be affected by political considerations," said Stephens.

Justice spokeswoman Caroline Aronovitz denied that anyone told Stephens he would be out so soon and noted that some of the interim appointees could well be the current U.S. attorneys, asked to stay on the job.

And Ms. Reno said the wholesale request for resignations was not intended as an indirect way to move Stephens out.

There is "no linkage whatsoever" between the call for resignations and the Rostenkowski case, Ms. Reno said.

A spokesman for Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., called Ms. Reno's request "kind of a formality" because a Democrat replaced a Republican in the White House.

"They do the same thing with ambassadors," said Dan Webber. "You would have seen the same thing back when (Ronald) Reagan beat (Jimmy) Carter."

Most of the U.S. attorneys took the news in stride. A typical response came from U.S. Attorney Harry Rosenberg of New Orleans.

"I intend to honor the request of the administration and hope to return to the private practice of law," said Rosenberg, adding that he had a plan of action after submitting his resignation: "Look for work."

## Alleged ringleader arrested in bombing

NEW YORK (AP) — The alleged mastermind of the World Trade Center bombing was reported arrested in Egypt and was to be flown to the United States today.

The *Daily News* said that Mahmoud Abouhalima, a 33-year-old Egyptian, was taken into custody several days ago by Egyptian authorities as part of a crackdown on Muslim fundamentalists blamed for a wave of bombings there.

The newspaper said that Egyptian authorities agreed to hand him over and that he would be flown to Stewart Air Force Base in Newburgh, north of New York City.

Authorities said the former New Jersey taxi driver is the suspected ringleader because, like another man arrested in the case, he knew how to make the bomb, the paper reported.

Investigators said previously they believed Abouhalima fled the New York area March 6, two days after the arrest of the man who rented the van believed to have carried the



Mahmoud Abouhalima bomb into the garage beneath the twin 110-story towers.

The *Daily News* said authorities believe Abouhalima left the country on a South African Airlines flight to Johannesburg.

ABC and WNBC-TV also reported the arrest, citing unidentified government sources.

ABC's "Nightline" said two other suspects would be arrested in the United States in the next few days, completing the "nucleus" of the group that plotted the Feb. 26 bombing, which killed six people and injured more than 1,000.

Asked about the reports, FBI spokesman Steve Markardt said: "I don't know what's going on. I have nothing on this."

Two men of Palestinian descent were arrested earlier this month on charges of helping carry out the bombing: Mohammed Salameh of Jersey City, N.J., who rented the van; and Nidal Ayyad of Maplewood, N.J., a chemical engineer with know-how in mixing explosives.

Also, Ibrahim Elgabrowni of New York was charged with obstruction for allegedly scuffling with federal agents who searched his apartment as part of the investigation.

Salameh, Ayyad and Abouhalima all have ties to Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, a radical Muslim cleric whose name has surfaced repeatedly in the investigation. The first two worshiped at a New Jersey mosque where Abdel-Rahman has preached, and Abouhalima has been identified in news reports as his driver and assistant.

Abdel-Rahman last week denied knowing the three and said he had nothing to do with the bombing.

Meanwhile Tuesday, Lt. Walter Boser, commander of the Police Department's bomb squad, said that crews searching the rubble had not been able to find a detonator and that there may not have been one.

"It's possible that something as simple as a lighted fuse was used to set this thing off," he said.

The key piece of evidence so far — a piece of axle with part of a vehicle identification number — was found two days after the bombing. It was traced to a van rented by Salameh.

## Pets, wildlife poisoned

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Uvalde County officials have launched an investigation into a series of poisonings of pets and wildlife at a subdivision about 18 miles north of Uvalde.

Deputy Charlie Mendeke said Tuesday that federal authorities will join the investigation because poisoning of wildlife is a federal offense.

"We've had several cats and dogs killed and a couple of Cardinals," Mendeke told the San Antonio Express-News.

"The federal game warden is working on the case," he added.

Two samples of poisoned bait found in the vicinity of the Nueces River Ranch subdivision have been sent to the Texas Department of Agriculture for testing, Mendeke said.

"We believe the bait has been laced with TEMEX, which is a pesticide used by cotton farmers to control pests. It is one of the most dangerous types of pesti-

cides and can be absorbed through the skin," the deputy said.

Mendeke said no motive for the poisonings, which first were reported in February, had been determined.

"Farmers and ranchers will sometimes treat a carcass or bait with TEMEX to get rid of coyotes and domestic animals that are bothering livestock," he said.

Local officers became involved when the bait was dropped in the subdivision.

"This poison could end up on a child's hands and make them very sick," he said.

Mendeke said the pesticide looks like pepper when sprinkled on the bait or carcass of an animal.

"I am trying to contact the manufacturers of the pesticide to trace down where it is sold. I will be working through the wholesalers," he said.

## Bullock opposes proposal to loosen telephone control

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock says he will do everything in his power to kill a proposal to loosen state control over telephone companies.

Media and consumer groups are among those blasting the plan by the Texas Telephone Association, which wants less stringent regulation over local telephone companies such as Southwestern Bell and GTE Corp.

"I am with the publishers of Texas on this issue," Bullock, the presiding officer of the Senate, said

Tuesday. "I'm going to do everything in my power to see that that bill does not come out of the Texas Senate until such time as the publishers and others who are interested in this issue either agree on it, and if they can't agree ... then the bill won't come out."

Bullock discussed the proposal at an annual convention of the Texas Daily Newspaper Association, a group of executives from 97 daily newspapers in Texas. The associa-

tion is among those against the plan.

Under the Texas Telephone Association proposal, companies would have the option of "alternative" regulation, which would regulate the price the public pays for phone service, but not the profits the companies could make.

The group's proposals are included in an amendment to a broader measure on the Public Utility Commission. The bill is pending in a House State Affairs subcommittee.

Tim Raven, president of the Texas Telephone Association, said Bullock's opposition means the group will have to work harder to get the proposal passed. He said the association will "try to work out all of the concerns of the parties."

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