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PAMPA -- A Pampa man is free on bond today after being accused of stealing a truck Wednesday.

Richard Burton Palmer Jr., 29, of the El Ranch Motel, was charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and bond set at \$5,000 after he was accused of stealing a 1973 Chevrolet pickup owned by Billy Williams, 700 N. Russell.

Williams reported the vehicle stolen about 1:30 a.m. Wednesday. Pampa Police Department officers recovered the truck about three hours later at the Black Gold Motel and found that it contained household goods from a residential burglary.

The burglary at 410 Buckler was discovered by Pampa police officers on routine patrol. Officers said the burglary was still under investigation.

PAMPA -- U.S. Senate candidate Jim Mattox has named Brenda Moody his Gray County campaign coordinator. Mattox, campaigning for the Democratic nomination for the senate seat formerly held by Lloyd Bentsen, is a formerstate legislator and Congressman from Dallas. He was the Texas Attorney General from 1983 to 1990.

PAMPA -- Bosnia and the deteriorating situation in the former county of Yugoslavia will be the topic of discussion at Friday's meeting of the Downtown Kiwanis Club at the First Methodist Church.

Eck Spahich will be the guest speaker at the meeting. A native of Bosnia, Spahich has lived and worked in Borger for two decades.

"We feel this is a timely program due to the current violent situation in former Yugoslavia, which worsens with each passing day," said Dick Stowers, Kiwanis program chairman.

WASHINGTON (AP) — His bottom line may still be health care that's always there, but President Clinton now is wide open to suggestions on how to get from here to there.

The White House makes it clear there's nothing sacred in any of the details of the 1,342-page plan that Hillary Rodham Clinton, domestic policy adviser Ira Magaziner and squads of specialists spent so much time working on last year. The mandatory health ailiances, the caps on insurance premiums, even Clinton's bedrock proposal that all employers pay for health insurance — all are open to negotiation, administration officials say.

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — In a medical first, a baby whose parents carry the gene for Tay-Sachs disease was born free of the fatal defect after she was tested when she was just an eight-cell embryo in a laboratory container.

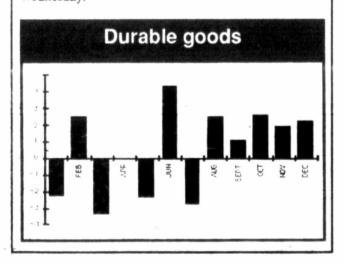
The birth raises hopes that doctors will be able to select and implant fertilized eggs free of other inherited diseases, thereby sparing parents untold mis-

Brittany Nicole Abshire was delivered Wednesday at Baptist Hospital in Orange, Texas. The 5-pound, 12-ounce baby was born about three weeks earlier than expected when her mother developed a gall bladder problem.

WASHINGTON (AP) — As King Hussein promises Israel a "peace that brings people together," the Clinton administration is laying the groundwork for rebuilding Jordan's rundown military, once one of the best fighting machines in the Arab world.

Taking Hussein seriously — the king long has been at the brink of peace with the Jewish state but always stepped back — U.S. and Jordanian arms specialists have been meeting secretly this week in a resumption of a military relationship ruptured by the king's tilt toward Iraq after its 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

Jordan is interested in acquiring F-15 and F-16 fighter planes, but the talks so far deal with communications, transportation and other basic equipment, not "big-ticket items," an administration official said Wednesday.



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Perryton announces new manufacturing plant

PERRYTON — Wheat straw was to be turned into building material today in a demonstration of technology that is slated plywood. to bring a \$2.5 million plant to Perrtyon and expand industry in the top of Texas.

According to Perryton Economic Development Corpora-McCartor, PEDCo is involved waste. in a joint venture with a British company, Stramit International, to turn wheat straw into boards.

varying thicknesses similar to groups

Ochiltree County uses no water. gas or chemicals. Officials termed the process eco-friendly uses for wheat. The nice thing tion (PEDCo) President Myron and said it produced no toxic about this new product is that it

The project developed, officials said, after the Texas Wheat Producers Board circulated are Texas A&M and the Texas

Perryton was one of the first McCartor said the process to follow up on it," said Bill used at the plant to be built in Nelson, executive director of the Texas Wheat Producers. "We are always looking for new uses the straw that would be turned under or burned.'

Also involved in the project

said, are four-by-eight sheets in to area economic development Researchers from A&M are Economic Development Corpotesting the material, officials said, to make sure it will comply with state and federal build-

ing standards.

Nelson said that while a manufacturing plant is scheduled for Ochiltree County, the technology is such that a series of plants could be built in other wheatgrowing area around the pan-

handle. Bill Waters, president of the

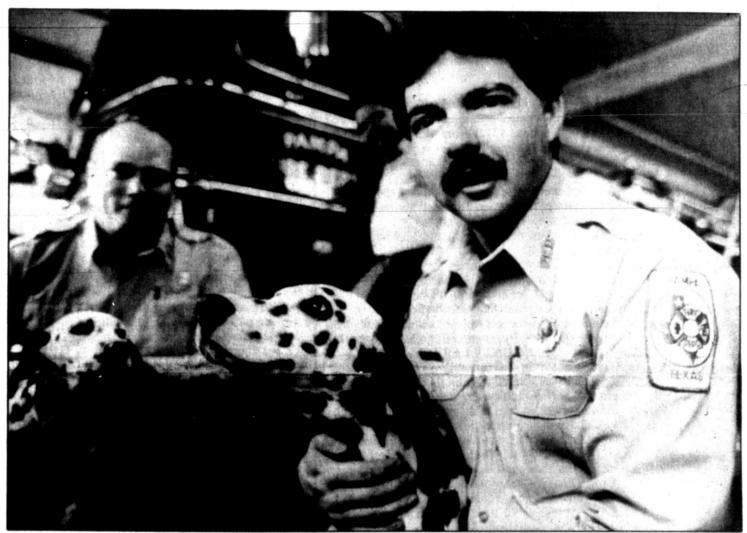
The boards, company officials information on the technology Department of Agriculture. board of directors of the Pampa ration, said the board planned to review the process at today's regularly scheduled meeting.

The technology was developed by Theodor Dieden, a Swedish inventor, in 1935, and later commercialized in Britain. It uses heated and compressed straw to form boards.

Today's demonstration in Perryton was scheduled for 10 a.m. at the city's Expo Center.

Elvis sighted in Pampa

Firefighters delighted as Elvis and Priscilla pay visit to fire department



Pampa firefighter Gary Winton, right, poses with Elvis, one of two dalmations that showed up at the Pampa Fire Department today. In the background, Tim Kirkwood holds the other pup, Priscilla, while Capt. Rusty Horton watches. The dogs belong to Josie Vega and Jerry Roberts who live near Price Road. Vega said the dogs were missing when she got home Wednesday and that she had been looking for them. Horton said they showed up at Central Fire Station this morning just in time for the shift change. "One of the guys, James Schaub, had just gotten off duty and opened the back door to leave," Horton said, "and they ran in." A check with the city's animal control department led to a call to Vega. "Elvis will be a year old next month," Vega said as the spotted duo explored the fire station. "Priscilla is about three months old." While the two dalmations seemed happy to see Vega, Elvis remained interested in the fire station's kitchen and a box of donuts on a nearby table. "At least they knew where to go," said Fire Chief Claudie Phillips with a grin. (Pampa News

Widow recalls terror of day her husband was gunned down

North launches bid for Senate

By JOE TAYLOR **Associated Press Writer**

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) - Iran-Contra figure Oliver North formally launched his U.S. Senate bid today, touting himself as a conservative outsider who will recapture government from the professional politicians.

"You asked me to take back government from the insiders and wheeler-dealers and put it back where it belongs, in your hands," North told about 500 people in a hotel ballroom.

North has been campaigning for months for the seat held by Democrat Charles Robb. He faces former Reagan budget director Jim Miller for the Republican nomination. The selection will be made in June.

During the mid-1980s, the former national security aide to President Reagan played a central role in the clandestine sale of arms to Iran and secret efforts to arm Nicaragua's Contra rebels. North declared on CNN's "Larry King Live" that his actions helped free the American hostages in Lebanon and led to democracy in Nicaragua.

By RON HARRIST

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — The widow of slain civil rights leader Medgar Evers emotionally recalled today how her children cried "Please get up, Daddy!" when he was shot to death panel could reach a verdict. three decades ago. She testified as a third murder trial opened for an aging white supremacist.

Her voice cracking, Myrlie Evers said she had wanted to go with her dying husband as friends tried to take him to a hospital, but "my wellmeaning neighbors held me back.'

"Daddy! Daddy! Please get up, Daddy!" Mrs. Evers recalled her three children — ages 5 to 9 - crying after seeing their father lying on the front steps of their Jackson home.

As she testified, 73-year-old Byron De La Beckwith occasionally looked at her and the jury. The state claims Beckwith shot Evers from ambush the night of June 12, 1963. In an opening statement earlier today, Hinds

County Assistant District Attorney Bobby DeLaughter said that Beckwith was being put on trial not to "get an old wrong righted" or for political reasons but because he "was the man the state would prove killed Medgar Evers.' DeLaughter painted Beckwith as a segrega-

tion warrior, and "there was nothing, absolutely nothing, more important to him than maintaining segregation.' Defense attorney Merrida Coxwell told the

majority-black jury that "you are going to find

out that the state cannot prove to you beyond a reasonable doubt" that Beckwith was the killer. She said the defense will introduce evidence to

in Greenwood — 90 miles away from Jackson.

As an indication of how much Mississippi has changed since the first two trials, Beckwith's third trial was being heard by a mostly-black jury. The former fertilizer salesman was tried twice before all-white juries in 1964, but neither

The trial, held in the same courtroom as the other two, is expected to conjure up one of the ugliest periods in Mississippi history and, some hope, lay it to rest.

"The ironic thing is that the younger generations really are very ignorant of the civil rights movement as a whole. I have students in my classes who know nothing about Medgar Evers or this case," said Charles Sallis, a Millsaps College professor. "I think what is happening today will be a good lesson.'

Speaking before the trial got under way, Mrs. Evers said a conviction would be important not only for Mississippi and the nation but "for me and my family. That night is like a movie that is on replay every day. I have not forgotten.'

Evers, a 37-year-old field secretary for the Mississippi chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was shot in the back in his driveway as his wife and three small children waited for him to come inside.

Beckwith's fingerprint was found on a deer rifle abandoned in a lot across from Evers' home. Beckwith, who still espouses supremacist views, insisted that he was 90 miles away at the time of the slaying and that the rifle had been stolen from him.

The case was reopened in 1990 because of allegations of jury and evidence tampering durshow that it was "physically impossible" for Beck- ing the earlier proceedings. New witnesses are with to have been the triggerman. She said a police expected to include a woman who prosecutors officer will testify that he saw Beckwith that night say heard Beckwith admit to the crime in 1966.

U.S.missle may have limited value

By ROBERT BURNS **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) -Patriot air defense missiles that the White House wants to put in South Korea are a little more advanced than those used in the Gulf War against Iraq, but they still may be of limited value against North Korea's best missiles.

The Patriot is the United States' only means of shooting down ballistic missiles in flight, and none currently are stationed in Korea or anywhere nearby.

Frank Wisner, the undersecretary of defense for policy, said Wednesday the Pentagon expected to go ahead with a Patriot deployment to South Korea to bolster U.S. defenses there, but he added that President Clinton had not made a final decision.

Wisner said the Patriot deployment plan was part of 'sensible, rational defense preparations" on a peninsula where tensions have been rising as a result of North Korea refusal to permit full-scale international inspections of its nuclear facilities.

About 36,000 U.S. troops are stationed in South Korea.

Democrats finance health care

WASHINGTON (AP) - Liberal Democrats today proposed a new 8.4 percent payroll tax on employers and a 2.1 percent levy on employees' taxable income to finance health care for all Americans.

In addition, they called for a \$2-a-pack increase in cigarette taxes and a 50 percent excise tax on handguns and ammunition.

Rep. Jim McDermott, D-Wash., the lead sponsor of the American Health Security Act, said 75 percent of all Americans would pay less for health insurance under this Canadian-style plan.

Sen. Paul D. Wellstone, D-Minn., said the plan offers "a far more generous package of benefits than any other bill," including the Clinton health

Man indicted in Wheeler County

A Friona man was in jail today in lieu of bond following a high speed chase Sunday which led law enforcement officers from Shamrock to Amarillo via Interstate 40 at speeds of up to 100 miles an hour.

Bond has been set at \$7,000 for Robert Lee Ansley, 22, who is jailed in the Potter County Corrections Center. He was charged with aggravated assault on a peace officer after reportedly ramming the stolen vehicle into the car of Department of Public Safety Trooper Gary Davis of Groom.

Ansley was indicted on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle in Wheeler County Wednesday where he is accused of stealing a 1989 Mercury Cougar from Joe's Irish Texaco about 11 p.m. Sunday. The Cougar has been returned to its owner, Leslie Batenhorst.

Bond in Wheeler County has been set at \$10,000.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

HOWELL, Betty — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel.

Obituaries

BETTY HOWELL

Betty "Pat" Howell, 79, a longtime resident and former Pampa business owner, died Tuesday, Jan. 25, 1994. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Dean Whaley Jr., minister of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church, officiating, Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Howell was born on Nov. 12, 1914, in McLean. She moved to Pampa in 1952 from Dumas. She was the former owner and operator of the Hobby Shop in Pampa

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Howell, in 1978 and by a sister, Eva Kitchens, on Oct. 12, 1993.

Survivors include three sisters, Fay Akers, Frances Johnson and Ava Warren, all of Pampa; seven nieces and nephews, Ophelia Lambrecht of San Antonio, Norma Arnold of Odessa, Sherra Nell Titus of Longview, Robert Johnson of Arnett, Okla., Sonny Wells of Rangley, Colo., and Skip Warren and Tom Warren, both of Houston.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions Pampa

Van Warren Freeman Jerry Lynn Hood Leland Burl Lowry Marguerite Elizabeth Martin

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Nellie Bess Martin (extended care) Lefors

Claud Walter Lamb (extended care) Birth To Ms. Regina Sue Vanderlinden of Pampa, a

> **Dismissals** Pampa

Jessie Bailey Janie Mitchelle Harris Nellie Bess Martin Thelma May Sober Jimmy E. Thompson

(extended care) McLean Virginia M. Cooper Texhoma, Okla. Laura M. Williams

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions Shamrock Thurman Adkins Bruce Burrell

Wellington Erlinda Castillo **Dismissals** Wheeler Jennifer Salas and baby

girl

Fires

boy.

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

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26

10:13 a.m. - Two units and four firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 2212 W. Kentucky.

10:23 p.m. - Two units and four firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 406 N. Dwight.

THURSDAY, Jan. 27

3:24 a.m. - Three units and eight firefighters responded to an alarm malfunction at 1334 Williston.

Calendar of events

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

A blood pressure check is offered from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday in the Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. Blood sugar tests are offered the first Friday of each month. A donation is accepted to cover expenses.

EASTERN STAR SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

All members of the Order of the Eastern Star wishing to participate in the Eastern Star School of Instruction are requested to meet at 9 a.m. Saturday in the Masonic Hall, 420 W. Kingsmill. Bring a sack

Stocks

The following grain quotat	ions are	Chevron91 5/8	dn 3/8
provided by Wheeler-Ev	ans of	Coca-Cola41 1/4	up 1/4
Pampa.		Diamond Sham27 1/4	NC
Wheat3.31		Enron32 1/8	up 1/8
Milo4.84		Halliburton30 7/8	up 1/8
Com 5.33		HealthTrust Inc27 1/2	dn 1/4
		Ingersoll Rand38 1/4	up 1
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which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation: Magellan		New Atmos29	up 1/2
		Parker & Parsley25 5/8	up 1/8
		Penney's51 1/8	up 1/2
		Phillips28	dn 3/4
		SLB57 3/4	up 3/8
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Amoco53 1/8	dn 1/2	Wal-Mart25 1/4	dn 1/8
Arco109	up 1/4	New York Gold	383.40
Cabot52 1/2	dn 1/2	Silver	
Cabot O&G22	NC	West Texas Crude	15.49

Correction

Terry Pruiett's name was mistakenly left off Travis Elementary School's second grade A-Honor Roll list in Wednesday's edition of the newspaper. We regret any inconvenience the error might have caused.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today. No arrests were reported.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26 Milton Cook, 2600 N. Hobart #B8, reported theft which occurred at Subway, 2141 N. Hobart. Phyllis Kay Carroll, 501 N. Davis, reported infor-

Coronado Inn, 1101 N. Hobart, reported informa-

Ben Allen Guill, Houston, reported burglary of a habitation which occurred at 410 Buckler.

John Frank Cook, 422 Powell, reported theft. Patricia Malina Parks, 616 N. Dwight, reported criminal mischief.

Tony Lynn Hubbs, Borger, reported theft under \$20 which occurred at Coronado Hospital. Billy Don Williams, 700-A N. Russell, reported unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents which were reported in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today. No arrests were reported.

WEDNESDAY, Jan.26 Ochiltree County Sheriff's Office requested an

Dyer's Barbecue, U.S. 60, reported forgery. Mona Kennedy, 428 N. Christy, reported theft over \$20 and under \$750.

Court report

DISTRICT COURT Criminal

An order was entered amending the conditions of probation for James Kirk Williams.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of possession of a controlled substance against George Larry Ingrum because he was convicted in another

Tommy Lewis Adams pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of a controlled substance. He was assessed two years probation, \$2,000 fine and \$140 restitution and was ordered to pay his court-appointed attorney

Bonnie Dunn Medley vs. Gray County, damages The State of Texas vs. Henry Watkins Skinner, application on a writ of habeas corpus

Culberson-Stowers Inc. vs. Lane McNamara, suit on note

Divorces

Thomas Lynn Unruh and Alicia Gayle Unruh William Jessie Orr and Carolyn Dell Orr Sonja Lee Seitz and Aubrey Irvin Seitz Dennis Ray Taylor and Robyn Leanne Taylor Myrtle Elizabeth Rogers and Billie John Rogers Jr.

COUNTY COURT Criminal

An order was entered to grant limited driving privileges to Warren F. Schroeder.

An order was entered to dismiss charges of theft by check because restitution was made and court costs paid against Donna Lynn Miller, Joseph Bryant Graham, Ronna Richelle Young, Donna Carrol Smith, Rick Powers and Joann Jacobs Taylor.

Gregg Lee Warneke pleaded nolo contedere to a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was assessed 90 days unsupervised deferred adjudication probation, \$70 fine and \$122 court

An order was entered to revoke the probation and order the arrest of Kristi Gayle Maddox because she has failed to report to the probation department, has not maintained employment, never made a payment on court costs and fines, is delinquent in probation fees and has not kept appointments for rehabilitation of alcohol and drug dependency.

Benny Martinez pleaded no contest to driving while intoxicated. He was assessed a \$300 fine, two years probation and court costs of \$210. A charge of possession of marijuana was used to determine punishment and then dismissed.

An order was entered issuing an alias capias for the arrest of James Glen Miller and releasing Ferguson Bail Bond as surety upon his arrest.

Civil

A judgment was entered ordering that plaintiff Othel Schroeder take nothing by her suit against defendants Ruthie and Tim Ritchey and that counterplaintiffs, the Ritcheys, take nothing by their suit against counter-defendant Schroeder.

Marriage licenses issued Karl Wayne Ford Jr. and Carrie Louise Morgan Darian Wayne Reeves and Christina Earlene Hall Eddie Joe Levick and Billie Dorene Smith Ronald Clinton Chisum and Mitzi Lynn Chavez

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accident in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26

A 1984 Buick driven by Keith Deshawn Stewart, 18, 2328 Comanche, was in collision with a 1992 Acura driven by Julie Ann Noles, 16, 2345 Beech, at the intersection of Duncan and Randy Matson Avenue. Noles was cited for following too closely and having no driver's license on person. No injuries

Firearm deaths approaching motor vehicle death totals

ATLANTA (AP) – Shootings will If those three-year rates continsurpass traffic accidents as the ue, firearm deaths will top motor Department of Health and Human nation's leading cause of death by vehicle deaths by the mid-1990s. Services and the Centers for Disease injury in a few years if current the study said. If the 23-year rate Control and Prevention. trends continue, according to a fed- of increase prevails, firearm

eral study released today. The study said motor vehicle- 2003, it said. related deaths totaled 43,536 in declined 14 percent.

deaths will become No. 1 by CDC, said the statistics present a

That is already the case in some 1991, down 21 percent from 1968, states. In 1991, the most recent year high rates of injury and death while annual deaths from firearms for which figures were available, from motor vehicle crashes, we rose by 60 percent to 38,317 over firearms-related deaths were the top developed a comprehensive plan the same period. From 1988 to injury-related killer in New York, to reduce motor vehicle deaths," 1991, firearm deaths increased 9 California, Texas, Louisiana, Mary- he said, adding that the same can percent while motor vehicle deaths land, Nevada, Virginia and the Dis- be done to reduce deaths from trict of Columbia, the report said.

The study was released by the

David Satcher, director of the challenge.

"As a nation, when faced with

Two reindicted in shooting with Wheeler County sheriff

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS **News Editor**

Two Oklahoma men remain in Wheeler County jail following reindictment Wednesday on charges which

stem from a July 1993 shooting incident with the Wheeler County sheriff. Willie Russell, 35, and Sammy Wesley Jarvis, 37, were indicted by a Wheeler County grand jury on charges of enhanced aggravated assault. They were first

indicted in September on charges of attempted capital murder in which it was alleged that they shot a gun at Wheeler County Sheriff Jimmy Adams following a high Friona. speed chase through the county in a stolen 1989 Chevrolet Astro van.

The men are set for trial in 31st District Court on Feb. 22. In November, District Judge M.Kent Sims ordered

life, District Attorney John Mann said. The charge of ter County bond is \$7,000.

enhanced aggravated assault is easier to prove, he said, so he will pursue that charge. An enhanced charge is appropriate when the accused has prior convictions, as in this case where both defendants have two prior felony convictions, Mann explained.

Adams was pursuing the pair, escapees from the Oklahoma Department of Corrections Service Center in Sayre, Okla., when their stolen van overturned. As the sheriff approached them, shots were exchanged though

no one was hit. Also indicted Wednesday were Donald E. Baylor Jr., 41, Kingman, Ariz., and Robert Lee Ansley, 22, of

Baylor was indicted on a charge of burglary of a building which is alleged to have occurred Tuesday. His

bond is \$5,000 and he remains in Wheeler County jail. Ansley is charged with unauthorized use of a motor the trial moved to Pampa from Wheeler on a change of vehicle alleged to have occurred Sunday. He is in Potter County Corrections Center, where is being held in lieu The range of punishment for either enhanced aggra- of bond on a charge of aggravated assault on a peace vated assault or attempted capital murder is 25 years to officer. His Wheeler County bond is \$10,000. The Pot-

Jordan's King Hussein offers 'full peace' to Israel

By BARRY SCHWEID **AP Diplomatic Writer**

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Jordan is interested in acquiring F-15 and F-16 fighter planes, but the talks so far deal with communications, transportation and other basic equipment, not "big-ticket items," an administration official said Wednesday.

"We're committed to Jordan's security," said the official, speaking only on condition of anonymity. And the biggest need now is for Jordan to be able to police its borders in the event of a peace treaty with Israel, he said.

Notary publics reminded of rule for books, papers

The record books and public papers of any notary public who leaves office during the time of his or her commission must be turned over to the county clerk's office, said Gray County Clerk Wanda

Carter said that according to the Texas Government Code, county clerks have the authority to hold the records of notaries who leave office. The clerk is authorized to certify

copies of records turned in by retiring, resigning or deceased notaries with the same authority as if they were certified by the original notary.

routed from East Jerusalem and the ton. West Bank by Israel in the 1967 Midthat were overrun in just six days.

The weapons talks cover "a recovered. gamut of security issues," the U.S. official said. The Clinton administration is determined to help Jordan 'project a credible border force," he said.

The United States cooled its relationship with Jordan during the Persian Gulf War over Hussein's support for Iraq. Since then, however, the king has authorized his negotiators to resumption of a military relationship conclude the framework of a peace ter Yitzhak Rabin. treaty with Israel, and the administration is lavishing praise on Hussein.

"This is a very happy occasion," Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Wednesday in welcoming said he was pleased with how relations with Jordan were developing. Last week, Hussein had a 45- generations."

Jordan's British-trained army was minute meeting with President Clin-

The king is in the country for a dle East war. Still, it was considered a medical checkup at the Mayo Clincredible force among Arab armies ic. He was stricken with cancer two years ago. His aides say he has

> Hussein still couches his statement about a Middle East settlement in terms of a "comprehensive" accord. That means Israel must come to terms with Syria, Lebanon and the Palestinians as well as Jordan.

But on Wednesday he told reporters "we are not waiting for anybody," and that he hoped to meet soon with Israeli Prime Minis-

Asked what he meant by saying "full peace" was his goal, the king replied: "Full peace is full peace. It is the peace that brings people together, that gives them opportu-Hussein to his office. Christopher nities they never had, that changes the face of our region as a whole. That is our contribution to future

One ticket matches Lotto numbers

By The Associated Press

One Lotto Texas ticket correctly the latest game, state lottery offi-

cials said today. The ticket, purchased Wednesday night, is worth an estimated \$8 million, said a state lottery spokesman. But it was uncertain where the ticket was bought for the contest that

plays twice weekly. night from a field of 50 were: 13, as expected.

CITY OF Pampa - Persons inter-

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17, 19, 22, 39 and 44.

In addition to the jackpot winner, 125 tickets were sold with five of matched all six numbers drawn for the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$1,607. There were 7,627 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning \$94.

Also, 142,042 tickets were sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic \$3.

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Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game The numbers drawn Wednesday will be \$3 million if sales continue



Wednesday's winning numbers are: 13 - 17 - 19 - 22 - 39 - 44

City briefs

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

NEED EXTRA Income? Interna- sory Board need to submit a letter of tional Food Giant expanding across interest to the Office of the City Texas. Excellent part time or full Secretary, P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, time business opportunity. Call for by Tuesday, February 1, 1994. If details, 665-8766, 669-3139. Adv.

IMAGES, ALL Fall and Winter ing any of the advisory boards/commerchandise 1/2 price, large selec- missions and their responsibilities, tion of belts marked to \$15 and please contact the Office of the City below. 123 N. Cuyler, 669-1091. Secretary. Adv. Adv.

ATOMIC BOB'S Ribs and Spe-threats! If you can't, back'em up! cial Superbowl Sunday, 3 til? City Said, set, and scattered! 1-25-94 Limits, Adv.

CALF FRIES, Thursday, 7 p.m. Members and guests. Moose Lodge.

EXPRESSIONS LINGERIE Thursday night, Easy's Club. Come join the fun. Adv.

BODY BY Jeanna, Step Aerobics, Tia Chi, Body Sculpting with

Yet no reply! Do you not receive your messages or what? Said, set,

scattered! 1-25-94 Hembree. Adv. BASKETS OF Love - New ship-

Hembree. Adv.

ment of gift items for all occasions Rubber Band, Plus Size Aerobics, including unique Valentine day gifts. Adv.

Friday, mostly cloudy. Highs 42 lower 20s and north to northeast west to 55 east. Friday night, coast winds from 5 to 10 mph. Friday, cloudy and cold with a chance of snow flurries are possible, the high rain, turning to snow or freezing rain late northwest 1/2 of area.

South Texas - Hill Country and cloudy and cooler. Lows from 30s Hill Country to 40s south central. Friday, cloudy and cooler with widely scattered rain. Highs in the 50s. Friday night, cloudy with scattered showers. Lows from 30s Coastal Bend: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows from 40s inland to 50s coast. Friday, cloudy with scattered showers. Highs from 60s inland to 50s coast. Friday night, cloudy with scattered showers. Lows from 40s inland to 50s and Plains: Tonight, mostly North Texas - Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows from 50s inland to snow. Lows from upper teens to

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Tonight, cold with a a low in the will be in the low 40s with variable winds blowing from 5 to 10 miles per hour, changing to the south by late afternoon. Wednesday's high was 54; the overnight low was 17.

REGIONAL FORECAST West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in upper teens to low 20s. Friday, mostly cloudy with sprinkles or flurries possible in the afternoon. Highs in upper 30s to Hill Country to 40s south central. low 40s. Friday night, a chance of snow. Lows in the teens. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy early, then increasing cloudiness after midnight. Lows in low to mid 20s. Friday, mostly cloudy and cooler. Highs in low to mid 40s. Friday night, a chance of snow. Lows mid coast. Lower Rio Grande Valley teens to low 20s.

cloudy west and central. A chance 60s coast. Friday, cloudy with upper 20s.

of showers and thundersorms early east, otherwise decreasing cloudiness. Low 28 west to 42 southeast. Lows 28 west to 34 east.

scattered showers. Highs from 70s inland to 60s coast. Friday night, cloudy with scattered showers. Lows from near 50 inland to 50s **BORDER STATES**

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> statewide, possibly mixed with freezing rain southeast lowlands. Lows 10 to 25 mountains and north with mostly 20s elsewhere. Oklahoma - Tonight, partly cloudy with lows in the 20s. Friday, mostly cloudy with highs from

> day night, snow showers possible

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awmakers debate post-super collider future of physics comm

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT **Associated Press Writer**

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Now that Congress has killed the superconducting super collider, the high-energy physics community is casting an eye toward Europe as it searches for a long-term future.

And a scant three months after a budget-conscious Congress pulled the plug on the \$11 billion atom smasher, some lawmakers suggested Wednesday during a hearing of the House science subcommittee that the United States should consider investing in a European

The European Center for Nuclear Research, known as CERN, is debating building an atom smasher that would be one-third the power of the aborted American venture. Within the next few months, the 19 European nations that belong to CERN are expected to decide whether to build their Large Hadron Collider near Geneva, Switzerland.

director John Peoples, who is overseeing the termina- one pound come to this side of the ocean" for the super tion of the super collider. "Nevertheless, some superb opportunities exist."

Peoples estimated it would cost the United States \$500 million over 10 years to participate in CERN. "This is the only affordable option open to the U.S. high-energy community if it hopes to continue to work at the energy frontier," he said.

White House science adviser John Gibbons suggested the European venture "is an obvious choice" but refused to commit further. "I don't think we should nar- breathing space, perhaps starting with a gasp, to rethink row our options to CERN at this point," he told the subcommittee.

The idea of U.S. participation in the European project raised the ire of Texas Republican Joe Barton, whose

district is home to much of the super collider's complex. This congressman is going to look very skeptically at making a 180 degree turnaround and trotting off to

"The termination of the SSC has created a crisis for the U.S. high-energy physics program," said Fermilab Europe," said Barton, an ardent champion of the U.S. high-energy physics program," said Fermilab embattled collider. "I never saw one mark, one franc, nell Electron Storage Ring.

going to take a lot of convincing to get me to invest in the second best," Barton added.

The CERN question is key as the high-energy physics community seeks a cutting-edge mission that doesn't include the collider - touted since 1983 as the field's long-term future.

"The termination of the SSC has given us a brief the status and direction of a fundamental field," said Rep. Sherwood Boehlert, R-N.Y., who fought vigorously to kill the collider.

assured by the research ongoing at the four U.S. high-

To remain at the forefront of research, however, Congress must complete the upgrade of Fermilab's "If we can't invest in the very best program, it's main injector and the Stanford B-Factory, Gibbons

But he also cautioned that high-energy physics already is suffering from a lack of funding. Not counting the \$640 million in termination costs for the super collider, the federal government is spending some \$660 million this year on high-energy physics research.

"It's as though we have a big 747 ... out on a runway but we don't have enough money to pay for the fuel to run it," he said. "So it sits there more as a monument, not as an operating piece of equipment.'

Gibbons cautioned that the coffers won't suddenly The discipline's future for the next decade or more is open up now that the super collider has been terminated. "It's going to be tight and there's no escaping that energy physics laboratories - Fermilab in Illinois, the reality," he said of the fiscal 1995 budget President Stanford Linear Accelerator in California, and in New Clinton will unveil next month.

Gov. Richards' long-distance phone records destroyed soon after bills paid

HOUSTON (AP) - Records of long-distance phone calls made by Gov. Ann Richards' office are destroyed as soon as the bills as paid, possibly violating recordstampering laws, the Houston Chronicle reported today.

While other state agencies keep records of phone calls for at least three years, Richards' aides regularly destroy her itemized long-distance records after each month's bill is paid.

"There is no conspiracy over here," said Bill Cryer, a Richards spokesman. "I doubt Ann Richards even know what that (records) retention schedule even looks

Richards' staff says the action is legal under a law and procedure that outlines how state records may be destroyed.

But a state archivist said itemized long-distance telephone records are supposed to be kept at least three years.

The only long-distance record now available for the governor's state telephones at her office is October 1993. November and December bills have not yet arrived from the General Services Commission, which serves as the state government's telephone company.

A spokesman for U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison contends a political double standard is at work.

"Kay Hutchison has kept and turned over to both the press and prosecutors the records of every single telephone call made at the Treasury during her two-year term," David Beckwith said.

"Yet she is prosecuted for destroying records while Democrat office holders are ignored."

Mrs. Hutchison, a Republican, is scheduled Feb. 7 for trial on ethics charges from her tenure as state treasurer. She is charged with four felony counts of misusing state employees and equipment and of tampering with governmental records and physical evidence in an attempted cover-up.

The state records-tampering law makes it a crime if someone "intentionally destroys, conceals, removes or otherwise impairs the verity, legibility or availability of a governmental record." Violation is a misdemeanor or third-degree

Cryer says Richards' office just followed the procedure of destroying by the month from her predecessor, Republican Bill Clements.

"Maybe we're wrong about how we're interpreting those retention schedules but Bill Clements did, too," Cryer said.

Farm Bureau accomplishments



James Race, left, and Don Whitney of the Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau congratulate each other on their accomplishments for the past year as recognized by their companies: Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Co. in Jackson, Miss., and Texas Farm Bureau Co. in Waco. Race placed fifth in the entire company out of 3,609 agents in a 10-state area and fourth in Texas in premiums collected for 1993. This placed him as a winner of a company blazer in "The Big Ten." He also qualified as a winner for the 1993 Roundtable, winning a trip for himself and his wife to Rome, Italy, in April of 1994. Race will also receive two diamonds to be placed in his million-dollar ring for the accomplishments he and Whitney had in sales in Gray and Roberts counties in 1993. Whitney will also receive a diamond in his ring for annuity sales in 1993. He was also the leading annuity salesman for the 26-county area of the Texas Panhandle as well as being the total point leader in auto and house insurance sales. Whitney was also recognized for a first-place membership gain. Whitney and Race said they want to thank all their customers and friends for putting trust in their products and insurance companies in 1993 and added they are looking forward to a good year in 1994. (Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Raspy throat almost silences the president

By RON FOURNIER **Associated Press Writer**

Nukes and Newt. But President Clinton faces a far greater challenge, this time on doctor's orders: Shut up. Once again, his yack-ability has run Clinton hoarse, and the Voice of his wife gave his speeches.

America is reduced to a whisper. Spokeswoman Dee Dee Myers says the White House doctor ordered Clinton "not to speak too much which is a challenge.

Croaky-voiced after a 63-minute fence-mending telephone call to the the presidency a few months later. aforementioned nemesis, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole. He even called off his routine jog today.

Clinton, who has a history of throat problems, should be in full voice after a day or two of rest, aides said. "He did see the doctor calls afterward and hosted a latebriefly this morning, who just said it was simply a question of

overuse," Myers said Wednesday.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Health dreadfully long-winded speech at said Clinton woke up with a hoarse care is a headache. So are welfare the 1988 Democratic Convention, voice Wednesday but hoped it and Whitewater, the deficit and Dole. has been told by doctors before to ease up. He went hoarse several appearance at a local school. times during the 1992 presidential

The former Arkansas governor

has a history of hoarseness. Doctors warned him in 1992 to take better care of his voice or risk forced the White House to cancel permanent damage. He babied his throat - using a special mixture of events he had scheduled for today, a State of the Union address, Clinton tea, honey and lemons - and, canceled his public events for despite aides' fears, was able to and a trip to Maryland for a con-Wednesday and today, including a accept his party's nomination and

past troubles, Clinton set the lessons aside Tuesday. He rehearsed his State on the Union address repeatedly, gave one of the longest speeches night get-together with staff.

already rough-sounding voice began Clinton, whose first glimpse at the to fade and crack. It didn't get any national spotlight was marred by a better before he went to bed. Myers would get better before his midday

By 10 a.m., it was clear his voice campaign, including a stretch during was not getting any better. He took the New Hampshire primary when the afternoon off and sipped on tea lemons and honey, please.

"It's your basic hoarse voice," Myers said.

Not exactly. This hoarse voice Wednesday's school trip and two speech to Baltimore factory workers gressional retreat.

His raspy voice also scuttled a If he learned anything from his scheduled call Wednesday to Dole, who, along with Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., is leading opposition to his health care plan.

But the president managed a leaders at the White House.

in his career, made a few telephone morning meeting with Democratic

"People listened closely," Myers Halfway through the speech, his said. "It was a bit hard to hear.

Doctor indicted on charge of stealing \$53 from corpse

the county morgue on a charge setup. accusing him from stealing \$53 from a corpse.

Dr. Thomas Haas, 36, who resigned his job suddenly last autopsy. November, was caught in a "sting" set up by Bexar County Medical forensic pathologist under a one-Examiner Dr. Vincent DiMaio, the medical examiner said Wednesday.

A warrant was issued for the doctor's arrest Wednesday, according to District Attorney Steve Hilbig. A preliminary bond of \$5,000 was set.

Contacted at his home Wednesday, Haas told the San Antonio Express-News he was stunned by

the indictment.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A Bexar majority of this had blown over," County grand jury has indicted a Haas said. "As I maintained before, doctor who performed autopsies at I'm innocent. It appears to be a The indictment alleges that on

Nov. 15 Haas stole \$53 from a drowning victim who was awaiting Haas was working at the time as a

year fellowship. In a report filed with police four

days after the alleged offense, Dr. DiMaio detailed a sting operation he carried out at the morgue to investigate apparent thefts from some of the bodies.

DiMaio said in the report he planted \$53 on a drowning victim. The doctor was seen going into

"It was my impression that the the cooler where the body was

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stored. Shortly afterward, the marked, wet money was found in a desk drawer in the doctor's office as if it were drying out, the report said.

DiMaio said he confronted the employee, who then resigned, citing 'personal reasons."

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School finance deadline remains

By PEGGY FIKAC **Associated Press Writer**

AUSTIN (AP) – A state judge, in an order released today, refused to move made in a regular session when all up his Sept. 1, 1995 deadline for the expenditure and revenue questions are Legislature to come up with an equi-

table way to fund school facilities. revised his previous ruling in the school finance law were technical. don't meet the deadline.

His earlier decision on the bond cut- Supreme Court. off would have affected basically high-wealth and high-tax school districts.

Property-poor school districts challenging the public education funding law had urged McCown to set an earlier deadline to prevent the finance gap from widening and to increase pres- in the state. sure on lawmakers.

An earlier deadline likely would have required a special legislative session, since lawmakers don't meet \$4 million to less than \$10,000 per stuagain in regular session until January dent. 1995. McCown said the problem is best addressed in a regular session.

study the various solutions. The next mately \$15.5 billion-a-year school regular session is only twelve months system that relies on state aid and away, and a special session any earlier local property taxes.

is just too little time," he said in his revised order.

"Moreover, equity costs," McCown wrote. "Funding decisions are best

on the table. McCown said other changes to his But Judge Scott McCown of Austin December opinion upholding the school finance case so that no school Now that his judgment has been made bonds could be issued if lawmakers final, parties involved in the lawsuit may file appeals with the Texas

Such appeals are expected.

Property-rich and poor school districts challenged the latest law, which required the state's 98 school district with more than \$280,000 in property wealth per student to share with poorer ones. There are 1,048 school districts

The law is meant to hold down disparities in property values, which previously have ranged from more than

In upholding the law, McCown ruled that the statute did not com-'The Legislature needs time to plete needed reforms of the approxi-



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Opinion

La Joya ISD policy makes good sense

Now that La Joya Independent School District in South Texas has taken the plunge, it behooves other school districts to adopt resolutions of support. While there's a good chance that La Joya's policy won't veather court challenges, every district being inundated by students from outside its boundaries should take this opportunity to let the federal government know they're mad as hell about having to carry out, federal mandates with local tax dollars.

And just what did La Joya trustees do when they adopted a new policy concerning residency? The new policy provides only that new students must show they are residing within the district with either parents or legal guardians before they will be accepted.

It's well known that many students from Mexico stay with relatives or even friends in order to attend schools on this side of the Rio Grande. Previously, all that was required in La Joya, and other border districts, was an easily-obtained notarized statement that the new student was residing with a legal guardian. Now, in order to be accepted, official documentation - which could cost \$300 or more - also will be required.

La Joya and other districts have good cause to be concerned. La Joya, for example, has been growing by about 1,000 students per year, with at least a third of those coming from Mexico. This has required nine new buildings and numerous portable classrooms to be added since 1981, a lot of new construction for taxpayers to foot the bill for. Of course, the additional enrollment has done little in expanding the district's tax base. Other districts along the border and even further inland have been facing similar

The Texas Legislature has been ordered by judicial decisions to come up with a more equitable way of financing new school facilities along with the changes in the general school finances. This may offer some relief for La Joya, but the burden shouldn't fall on either school districts or the state alone. The policy of accepting students into the school systems has been mandated largely by the federal government. Previous federal rulings and laws have upheld the right of homeless children and undocumented aliens to attend public schools. Those earlier precedents do not require that they reside with parents or legal guardians.

Strong arguments can be - and already have been - made that society needs to provide education for all comers. That's a worthwhile objective. But realistically, the burden of educating nonresidents should not have to be borne solely by taxpayers of any one school district, certainly not as long as those districts are required to accept students whose parents or guardians are not even paying taxes to the district.

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Bad for them and also for us

Earlier this month, President Clinton journeyed to Brussels to assure some Eastern European countries that the United States will in due time furnish them protection from Russia. He proceeded to Kiev to seal an accord designed to prevent another Eastern European country from protecting itself.

Clinton's trip may not have achieved anything else worthwhile, but it did provide blinding proof that his policy on European security is exactly back-

On the one hand, he wants to start integrating Poland, Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic into NATO - a measure against Russian aggression that conspicuously lacks the military forces needed to make it believable. On the other, he would neutralize an exceptionally useful check on Russian imperialism – a nuclear-armed nation of 52 million, Ukraine, that sits astride the approaches to Europe. In truth, Eastern Europe would be far safer behind Ukraine's atomic arsenal than America's meager commitment.

Both of the administration's mistakes flow from the same source: an excessively sunny view of our former enemy. If from now on we can expect Russia pledging to defend Poland, since we'll never have to back it up anyway. And Ukrainians can sleep soundly without nuclear weapons because they have nothing to fear from the Russians.

But what if the Russians eventually start behaving not like Swiss but like Russians? Their history of back for the time being and maybe for good. treating neighbors like galley slaves didn't begin with communism and probably didn't end with it. In that case, one of the first targets will be Ukraine, which was joined to Russia for three centuries and which many Russians continue to regard as rightful-

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Stephen Chapman

Without the bomb, Ukraine will find it hard to resist being dominated by Moscow - just as it has in the past. That is doubtless one of the reasons many Russians enthusiastically endorse a nuclear-free

Ukrainians are not exactly oblivious to their predicament, which is why the denuclearization agreement with the United States and Russia shouldn't be taken too seriously. The parliament in Kiev, which claims the power to approve the decision, has plenty of members who oppose it. The elections scheduled for March may install more.

In any case, President Leonid Kravchuk, who may to be as peaceable as Switzerland, there's no risk in or may not be willing to forfeit his nuclear munitions, gave himself a leisurely span of seven years in which to carry out the promise - or to renege on it. By turning over some missiles now, Ukraine gets aid for its shipwreck of an economy and loses nothing important. Plenty of other warheads will be held

Staying nuclear is the best guarantee of Ukraine's safety and independence - certainly much better than the squishy assurances that go with NATO's "Partnership for Peace," which Clinton said Ukraine is welcome to join. In a crunch, the Russians would of its best insurance against a future that may not be have no grounds to think the United States and its as tranquil as we hope.

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allies would shed blood to defend Ukraine. But the Russians can be quite sure that Ukraine would defend itself with nuclear weapons, if necessary.

Kiev's nuclear arsenal also works to the advantage of Eastern Europe. Ukraine, which has every interest in discouraging Russian aggression, would be the natural ally of all the other countries worried about Moscow's intentions - starting with the four that want to join NATO. A Poland standing alone would be vulnerable to Russian extortion, but not a Poland standing shoulder to shoulder with a nuclear

By trying to strip Ukraine of its great equalizer, Clinton is preventing the kind of new regional arrangements that are needed to foster peace and stability in the old East bloc. In their place, he offers the hope that NATO will expand eastward, though not until such time as it won't offend the Russians. He wants - sort of - to do for Eastern Europe what it could do for itself.

What he can't alter, though, is the plain fact that the biggest force in NATO, the United States, has no vital interests in Eastern Europe and therefore can't be relied on to protect it. Ukraine, which has vital interests in Eastern Europe because it is part of Eastern Europe, can't afford to stand aside if Russia reverts to its old habits.

Clinton is basing his entire policy on the fond wish that Russia won't regress. But the administration is not to optimistic that it's ready to give up America's own nuclear arsenal.

Ukraine would be smart to take similar precautions rather than rely on the benevolence of Russia or the fortitude of the United States. And the United States should stop trying to deprive Eastern Europe

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By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Jan. 27, the 27th day of 1994. There are 338 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on Jan. 27, 1944, during World War II, the Soviet Union announced the end of the deadly German siege of Leningrad, which had lasted for more than two

On this date:

In 1756, composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria.

In 1880, Thomas Edison received a patent for his electric incandescent

In 1967, astronauts Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom, Edward H. White and Roger B. Chaffee died in a flash fire during a test aboard their

Kennedy, Fla. Grizzard playing 'Jeopardy'

Giant needles, with which I have been involved intimately a great deal recently, could not make me say anything detrimental about Emory Hospital, where I have been an unwilling guest for going on three weeks due to blood problems.

"The Big E," as we regulars say, has offered me nothing but the best of care.

But that doesn't change the fact Emory Hospital, for reasons I don't know, does not offer cable television to its patients.

So for three weeks I have done without cable and have been reminded once more of the vast wasteland that network television remains.

I have been steadfast in one area, however. I have not watched any of those 30-minute sitcoms where a dizzy lesbian mother is trying to raise a multicultural family and the dog is always getting lost.

A well-placed "H" would do wonders in better describing exactly what is this thing we have come ardy gives me certain advantages over those who are often before the winning contestant, who gets to take to know as the sitcom.

I will concede, however, I have become a Jeopardy person. Each weekday evening contestants battle for cash by matching their abilities to spurt forth factoids. Alex Trebec is your host. But you knew that. Everybody has seen Jeopardy. I had before, of course, but I never embraced it as I have these last three weeks.

I've become a dedicated home audience contestant, and I'm pretty good at it. Actually I'm better

I have kept no official records, but I would esti-



mate my winnings so far to be around \$500,000.

I've also qualified for the Jeopardy Tournament of Champions, not to mention the Collegiate Jeopardy Tournament Finals when I nosed out some snooty. kid from Dartmouth who didn't know Helena was the capital of Montana.

I do realize lying in a hospital bed playing Jeopactually on the set in front of all those lights and millions of viewers.

going home and hearing all my friends say, Pocatello isn't the capital of Montana, you idiot!"

I also have an edge because I get to play with an oral buzzer, rather than the hand-held model the actual contestants use.

Whenever I have an answer, I simply can blurt out a quick "Eeerrrnnnt!" through my nasal passages to

you didn't know, are faster than the human hand everywhere."

when it comes to sounding a Jeopardy buzzer. It turns out my best categories are state capitals, sports, American history, World War II, country music and answers that both begin and end with the letter "K." I got all those one night: Kayak and kiosk

I am weak in British literature, French cooking, anything medieval and famous accordion players. Everything else is in my range, however.

I'm not stupid enough - nor have I been encrusted, so to speak, in the arms of Morpheus long enough - to think I'm ever going to get any of my half-mil out of Jeopardy, but I will say watching the show with visitors to my hospital room has been extremely worthwhile.

I have dazzled them with how quickly and with what competence I can get "Rivers and Lakes for 800, Alex" - certainly before they can, but also quite home all that loot.

I've had one or two visitors, pretenders, who have If I should do poorly, I don't face the prospect of tried to take me on. If they do happen to get an answer before me, occasionally, I remind them they forgot to sound their nasal passage buzzer, and I render their answers unacceptable.

"Ecerrrnnt!" It has rung these many nights through the Emory halls.

"What's that sound?" the wizened veteran at the nurse's stand has repeated to the damp rookie. "Just get Alex to call on me. The nasal passages, in case Grizzard grabbing another \$400 for home audiences

Now's the Age of 'Pleasure Revenge

I can always tell when the holidays are over: It's time to buy a bigger pair of blue jeans. Though the years, I've acquired a wardrobe of jeans in enough sizes to outfit the Osmond family. But having invested a queenly sum in my latest

pair of jeans, I am reluctant to bury it in the denim graveyard at the back of my closet. So I put on the Playtex gloves I use to wash the dishes and I get a better grip on that hellishly small, slick zipper pull. I take the two folds of my stomach and pinch them in onto each other, sucking in my breath and standing on my toes as I pull. I run on tiptoes to the bedroom and lie on the bed, keeping a steady pressure on the zipper pull lest I lose my torque. Awwwwwrigh-h-hht, liftoff! They're up and I'm even standing!

Successfully poured in or not, I know what this means: Time to go on the yearly New Year's Resolution Diet. I will make myself monstrously miserable for two months and finally pay off my debt to the Egg Nog and Fudge Gods.

But if national pulse-feeler Faith Popcorn is right, I may be among a dwindling minority choosing the road to Thinner Thighs in Just 30 Days. She and other trend-watchers say the national obsession for self-denial and habit-changing for the sake of health and perfection is over. In a mighty backlash against years of bran-muffin-eating that didn't pay off, we're treating our hips to chips and our lungs to Auld Lucky Strike: We are entering the "Pleasure

Revenge" zone.



Sarah Overstreet

of a soft couch and a big bag of Ruffles, over the Buns of Steel tapes, has been beckoning for the last couple of years. Recent surveys found that Americans have begun to re-reach for the higher-fat snacks and have reported a weight gain of a few pounds vs. the weight loss they boasted of in polls past. A few more percentage points of us are smoking as opposed to those polled in 1991. Five percent fewer respondents said they were "doing everything they could to eat a healthy diet," according to The New York Times.

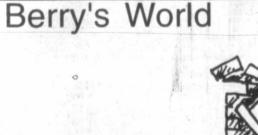
If this is so, how ironic that this rebellion is surfacing smack in the middle of the great health-care debate, when one proposal is to tax health-robbing practices such as smoking and eating fatty foods. And wouldn't it fly in the face of another reported trend - the "NEW Frugality," which asserts that the '80s yuppies are now rediscovering the concept of thrift? Folks trading in their BMWs and Volvos for Hyundais, and subscribing to newsletters such as The Pollsters say this collective succumbing to the lure Tightwad Gazette, are going to start spending the

money they save on cigarettes? How can we make our own clothes and tend the garden if we're lying on the couch eating store-bought chips? Well, coupons

But seriously, the New Frugality is a real movement, with its own newsletters and books. The authors of Your Money or Your Life claim to live on \$6,000 each per year. Sounds like a revamped '70s' "back to the land" trek, where we renounce our materialistic city ways for the simplicity of the country, doesn't it? Only, in this version, we only have to renounce materialism. We can live in the city if we want to, as long as we enjoy being poor in money, but rich in free time.

If we are entering the age of "pleasure revenge," one theory holds that we've begun to blame genetics for everything undesirable, as opposed to the time when we believed all things can change as long as we have enough motivational tapes and Jane Fonda videos. "We are moving into an era of biological psychiatry that acknowledges that certain things are genetic and inalterable," psychology educator and author Martin E.P. Seligman told The New York Times. Seligman wrote the book What You Can Change and What You Can't Change. Color him a realist.

Me? Color me passion pink with neon trim. The couch sounds comfy and I could happily eat my weight in Ruffles if I let myself. But I haven't come down from all those tapes I listened to in the '80s. I still believe I can be Jane Fonda if I just hop around the living room enough.





"Yep! Here it is. 'Should the earthquake occur on any dates during the mid-part of the month of JANUARY, this policy...

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side Senior Citizens Center, Albertson's, Homeland,

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R Industrial and AmWest Savings.

Suffering spreads as Haiti collapses under weight of imposed embargo

By LISA M. HAMM **Associated Press Writer**

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PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) -Like a truck without gas, Haiti is grinding to a halt.

Most Haitians have known little but economic struggle in the Americas' poorest nation, and now even the privileged few are feeling pain because of the international fuel embargo imposed to force the army to restore

Though they've said this before, diplomats predict it's only a matter of for richer Haitians, but things they weeks before the dominant military is used to take for granted - running affected.

Meanwhile, humanitarian groups, businesses, schools and hospitals are being forced to cut back or close down. On Tuesday the U.S. government acknowledged the embargo's effect on the middle-class but insisted the sanction was not leading to increasing malnutrition among the

U.S.-based CARE International had to halt food deliveries for a month until receiving fuel from a special humanitarian shipment. The number of Haitians who got their main daily meal from CARE – up to 580,000 last year - has plunged to 117,000, Chris Conrad, CARE's country director, said Wednesday.

The rest went hungry while the food sat in the port.

"We have very, very limited options right now," said Conrad, adding that some shipments resumed Wednesday. "The more the crisis continues, the more limited our options are."

These days, when the sun sets in Port-au-Prince, the night is inky. Power rationing means no traffic lights, no streetlights, just occasional headlights to break the eerie monotony as thousands trudge miles home from school or the market each night.

Many poor Haitians can no longer afford the city's colorful jitney buses, called "tap-taps," whose fares have tripled since the embargo was imposed in October. Dump trucks pick up people who live outside the city center.

The suffering may not be as acute water, TV, refrigeration - have become

In the hillside suburb of Petionville, darkness. The lights come on for just three or four hours every few days. Diesel-fueled generators can produce electricity, but fuel costs are high. Some use candlelight or kerosene

Meanwhile, restaurants, soft-drink plants, hotels and taxi companies have closed. Surviving businesses have slashed hours or cut services.

Doctors are seeing fewer patients. There's limited medicine available.

And silence envelopes the oncevibrant news media, fearful of the mil-

because, without electricity, they can't keep perishable food cold.

One business owner said it had become too difficult to find and pay for diesel fuel to keep generators run-

Fred Pierre-Louis, owner of the downtown Holiday Inn, counted the obstacles to keeping a hotel open: escalating prices, suppliers closing, problems with refrigeration threatening the safety of meat and seafood for the restaurant, difficulty getting ice, delivery people no longer delivering.

Eight years ago, there were 2,400 hotel rooms in Haiti, Pierre-Louis said. Now there are about 400.

Hotel occupancy is down to 30 percent to 40 percent, with many of the visitors missionaries or aid workers, he

Some of his employees spend half their wages on their commute, Pierre-Louis said. Their health insurance company went bankrupt six months "bourgeois" families sit by night in ago, so he pays for his workers' medi-

The Holiday Inn survives partly because it has its own well for water and a diesel-powered supply truck, which operates more cheaply than a gas vehicle, said Pierre-Louis.

One private school administrator who declined to give his name said attendance is down one-third since last year because parents can't afford the tuition or transportation.

For those lucky enough to have cars, gasoline has been available on the that have hit \$10 a gallon, much of the Some supermarkets have closed profit going to army officers that control what supplies there are.

> But gasoline's increasing unavailability — army stockpiles are said to be considerably depleted — could mean time is running out for the mili-

United Way honors volunteers, contributors

During Tuesday's noon luncheon of the Pampa Unit- included Citizens Bank, Hoechst Celanese, IRI Intered Way, board members took time to thank the many people who made the past year as successful as it was. To dozens of others, tokens of appreciations ranging from key rings and certificates and plaques were hand-

Besides the presentation of awards, outgoing officers of the organization and their successors were recognized and a vote on the organization's by-laws was conducted, with the revised by-laws being adopted.

Samea Chisum was named the 1994 campaign chairwoman, taking over from Dan McGrath, last year's campaign chairman, while Jeff Andrews will be assuming the duties of United Way president, replacing Tom Spenser.

The United Way's new Executive Committee consists of Jeff Andrews, president; Joe Kyle Reeve, vice president; and David Cory, secretary and treasurer.

The list of awardees are as follows. They are divided into their respective divisions. **Campaign Division Chairpersons**

Brass letter openers were awarded to representatives of major firms who contributed last year to the United Way; they included Noah Davis of Hoechst Celanese, Marilyn McClure of IRI International, Glenda Fletcher of Cabot Corp., Jack Gindorf, Joe Martinez, Bob Marx and Darlene Birkes.

Kim Hall was recognized in in the commercial division, also with a brass letter opener.

The people contributing to the United Way in the public division and receiving brass loop key rings included Joe Kyle Reeve; Claudie Phillips, representing the city; Jack Bailey, representing the Pampa Independent School District; Marge Gray, representing Gray County; Richard Wilson, representing the federal government; Barbara Kirkham, representing the United McGrath, Ms. Adelaide Colwell, the Buzzard Law black market at steadily rising prices Way agencies; and the Rev. Ken Metzger, representing Firm, Dr. Raymond Hompton, Floyd Watson, Thur-

> In the individual division, Betty Baxter, Dudley Steele, Samea Chisum and H.J. Johnson were also recognized with brass loop key rings for their contributions.

for the work she did over the last year. Special Volunteers

The work of volunteers within the United Way was also recognized as four people from the Pampa comfor their service. Recipients included Reed Echols, Jimmy Harper, Betty Baxter and Janet Watts.

Three volunteer trainers were given glass paper- Houston Lumber Co. weights for their volutnteer work to the United Way: Vic Raymond, Jack Gindorf and Jack Bailey. **Employee Groups**

Companies and organizations from which 75 percent

Parker & Parsley, H.R. Thompson Parts and Supply, the First Baptist Church, Lamar Elementary, Texaco Inc., Titan Specialties, Gray County Latch Key, Crall Products Inc., Pampa Middle School, Austin Elementary and the Gray County Extension Office. The people and companies receiving the Gold Appreciation Award for contributions of \$1,000 or more included Mr. and Mrs. Victor Raymond, Fatheree Insurance Agency, Charles White, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Echols, Mr. and Mrs. Scott White, Ed Myatt, Dr. George Walters, Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors, Bill Berry,

handle Industrial, Chevron Oil, Rep. Warren Chisum, Curt and Dr. Wil Beck, and Dr. Moss Hampton. Contributors of \$500 or more were recognized for their interest in the United Way with the Silver Appreciation Award. Recipients included Dietta Pope, Noah Davis, Duane Harp, Tom Etheredge, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hupp, Cleon Shelton, Dr. Charles Ashby, Waters Holt & Fields, Dr. R.M. Bellamy, Mr. and Mrs. John Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lemons, Don Babcock, John T. King and Sons, Joe Mecheley, Bill Kindle, Jim Cirone, Mr. and Mrs. William Hallerberg, Mr. and Mrs. Dan mond McGlothlin, Briarwood Full Gospel Church and

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reeve, Gray Pampa Foundation, Pan-

the Women of the Moose, Chapter #1163. Employee groups and businesses which significantly increased contributions were also recognized at the A brass loop key ring was also given to Carol Cofer luncheon. They included Phillips Petroleum, the City of Pampa, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Pampa, Pampa Boys and Girl Cross County teams, Larry Baker Plumbing, Culligan Water Conditioning, KGRO Radio, Pampa Pawn, Phelps Plumbing, Wal-Mart, Clarendon munity were awarded lucite medallion paperweights College, Gray County employees, PISD Transportation, Carter Sand and Gravel, Danny's Market, Pampa Office Supply, Texas Pipe and Metal Co. and the

Other significant givers to the United Way included Cabot Corp., Coronado Hospital, Hoechst-Celanse, Southwestern Public Service, United Parcel Service, Minco Oil, Citizens Bank and Trust Co., First National of their employees gave one hour of pay for each Bank, IRI International, Titan Specialties, Pampa Inde-

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U.S. deputy attorney general, top aide quit

al Philip Heymann resigned today, citing different "operating and man-agement styles" from Attorney General Janet Reno.

Another top Reno aide also resigned. The Attorney General said Miami, had resigned to pursue summer. "other opportunities" which Reno did not specify.

Heymann, a Harvard law professor who headed Justice's criminal division during the Carter adminis-

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a sur- letter delivered today, "The attor- in early January and she raised it prise move, Deputy Attorney Gener- ney general has concluded that our operational and management styles are too different for us to function ing, what do you think?" Reno said fully effectively as a management team.'

He offered to stay until a successor was chosen, but told the news Lula Rodriguez, under Justice conference he would not linger as an Department investigation in connec- ineffective "lame duck" and expecttion with a vote fraud case in ed to be back teaching at Harvard by

Reno, a former state prosecutor, has relied heavily on Heymann and Reno and Heymann both denied his long federal government experithat there was any policy difference ence, referring many major matters between them, and no single inci- to his office, including a review of dent that led to his decision to resign mandatory minimun criminal sen- to identify the matter involved. now. They said they had been dis- tences, a review of the bloody siege cussing their "chemistry" for of the Branch Davidian complex in displeased over the length of time weeks. Reno called the decision Waco, Texas, and the internal inves- Heymann spent on some of the matinternal watchdog unit.

again earlier this week.

"I said, 'I don't think it's workof her conversation with Heymann.

Heymann said: "Six seconds after that, we were talking about how to unravel it in a way that would make sense for the department.'

Justice Department sources, who declined to be identified by name, have said for several weeks that there has been tension between Reno and Heymann. As an example of the cause, they said that Reno once dressed Heymann down in front of subordinates. They declined

The two were asked if Reno was tigation of Rodriquez, which was ters she gave him to handle. Heylater transferred to the department's mann said, "I doubt it." And the department handed out a list of Heymann said he first raised the dozen accomplishments of the

tration, wrote President Clinton in a management difficulties with Reno deputy's office under his tenure. City: Hate crime offenders lose library cards, trash collection

graffiti in suburban Marlboro some- become law. day soon and the city might just take picking up your trash.

nearing final approval, people con-\$300 and permanently lose city ser-

"We've become a nation of hand-James Agoritsas, a lawyer who drafted the ordinance. "We sit here and say there's nothing we can do. I say hogwash. We cannot rely on the legislate against hate crime."

attempt he knows of to revoke city services as punishment.

"I don't think a town can pick and crimes would be fired and youngaway your library card and stop choose who it's going to give city ser- sters would be expelled from school. vices to, or use them as a punish-Under a Marlboro city ordinance ment," said John Roberts of the American Civil Liberties Union. "Someone victed of hate crimes could be fined convicted of a crime has the right to library cards, fishing licenses and equal access to city services. They're over their head with this one."

The ordinance was prompted by wringers," said City Councilor swastikas and racist graffiti spraypainted on a hardware store last month in the city of 35,000 people 25 miles west of Boston.

The measure was approved unanistate and the federal government to mously Tuesday by the 11-member City Council and goes next to the Michael Liberman, national coun- city attorney to make sure it does sel for the Anti-Defamation League not conflict with state or federal law. of B'nai B'rith, said i is the first Then it would go to the mayor for approval.

It defines a hate crime as a crimi-

BOSTON (AP) - Scrawl racist the measure may be too extreme to motivated by bigotry and bias.' City employees convicted of hate

> The ordinance does not specify which city services an offender would lose, but those could include trash collection.

> Mayor J. Michael McGorty did not return calls for comment Wednesday.

David Manning, a police lieutenant in nearby Everett who investigated anti-Semitic vandalism last year at a Jewish cemetery there, said he shook his head when he heard about the ordinance.

"I thought to myself, 'What makes these people think someone who commits a hate crime would have a library card?' " Manning said. "But I understand their need to





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Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I'm sure you'll be deluged with U.S. Customs stories, but I wanted to share min: We were returning from the Far East and ran into a customs officer who kept badgering me regarding a diamond pendant I was wearing, insisting that it be declared a purchase.

Finally, I remembered that I has worn it for my driver's license picture, so I whipped that out. After inspecting the photograph, with a grudging smirk he let me continue on.

I realize this is a problem because many are not honest in their declarations, but it really was an upsetting experience.

BADGERED IN MINNESOTA

DEAR BADGERED: I received a flood of letters concerning U.S. Customs inspectors, pro and con. A few of the "con" letters:

DEAR ABBY: You and I must have had a run-in with the same customs officer in Honolulu. He was very rude and questioned everything I brought back from New Zealand, including the little packages of candy I had in sealed bags to give to my children.

He acted like I was some kind of crook and made me show him receipts for everything (candy included)! Luckily, I had kept all receipts in an envelope in my purse. He even read my personal diary, which I felt was an invasion of my privacy. He laughed at some of the things I had written and repeated some of the entries out loud.

My husband, who was standing behind me in line, had no difficulty at all. The officer did not inspect my husband's things; he just sent him on through. The man must have had a thing about pushing women around. Or maybe he was henpecked at home, and this was his way of getting back at women. I can't begin to tell you all the mean little things he did. He humiliated me.

VICTIMIZED TRAVELER, GIG HARBOR, WASH.

DEAR ABBY: The letter about the discourteous customs inspector was very true. As a 30-year traveler (I own a travel agency), I have gone through U.S. Customs at least 150 times. Not one have I received a pleasant or courteous kind of welcome that could compare with England's inspectors.

I know the job is not an easy one, and is often frustrating and demanding, so I always make an effort to be as cooperative as possible.

On my arrival at Los Angeles International, a customs inspector once asked me where I was from. I answered, "Berkeley, California." This began a tirade against our mayor and city government. After five minutes of this, I responded that I was tried and did not wish to discuss the merits or demerits of my city's politics.

This was too much for him! He placed the dreaded ultraviolet marker on my customs form, and I was given the "red alert" full search. It took 45 minutes to search my one small carry-on, and I missed my connecting flight. Welcome home to America!

VETERAN TRAVELER, BERKELEY, CALIF.

DEAR READERS: Tomorrow we'll hear from some readers who view customs inspectors from a very different perspective.

Will Museum **House History** of Cog Railway

CARROLL, N.H. (AP) -Railroad enthusiasts are being invited to donate memorabilia to a new museum with a special

Anyone with artifacts, pictures or articles relating to the Cog Railway that runs up Mount Washington is being asked to consider allowing them to become part of the museum's collection.

Plans call for the museum honoring the Cog Railway to open this year, the 125th anniversary of the railroad's construction.

Information may be obtained from Bobby Trask, general manager, the Cog Railway, Base Road, Mt. Washington, N.H. 03589. Telephone: 603-846-5404

New software lets your PC do the navigating

By POPULAR MECHANICS A HEARST MAGAZINE For AP Special Features

Navigational software now lets you use your personal computer as a travel guide — and soon these tour- \$99) is a Windows-based program for PC or Mac) which lets you view ing aides will be showing up on automobile dashboards.

They will also be available, Ron Goldberg wrote in the current issue cards for the new hand-held personal digital assistants.

Programs are available that will tell you exactly how many miles you've got to go, give you specific

nice restaurant in town or what time the local buses stop running.

that allows you to plan a travel route its maps at 16 levels of magnificalocales. Simply enter your starting and ending locations and the proof Popular Mechanics, as plug-in gram will draw up a list of direc- down to street level. tions to your specifications. You can

views. It also lists points of interest. It also features a cost-time calcu- aries, rivers, railroads, etc. directions to your intended destina- lator. Punch in the price of a gallon

your trip will take.

For more detail, go to a CD-ROM One atlas (Automap Road Atlas, program (Street Atlas USA, \$169) to and from more than 120,000 U.S. tion. You start with an overview map of North America, and by clicking on a zoom icon you can get

Clicking on a compass moves the choose the quickest route, the most map in the direction you want. At own notes. direct route or the one with the best the deeper magnifications you can use another icon to find local bound-

will take. Some will tell you which local speed limits, the software can destination, including access to tion of an automatic teller machine is the scenic route, where there's a figure out approximately how long food, hotels, local shopping and that's on the way to your morning entertainment

> \$99; individual City Map-Sets, \$18-\$25) assumes the user already Memphis or a copy shop in Kansas

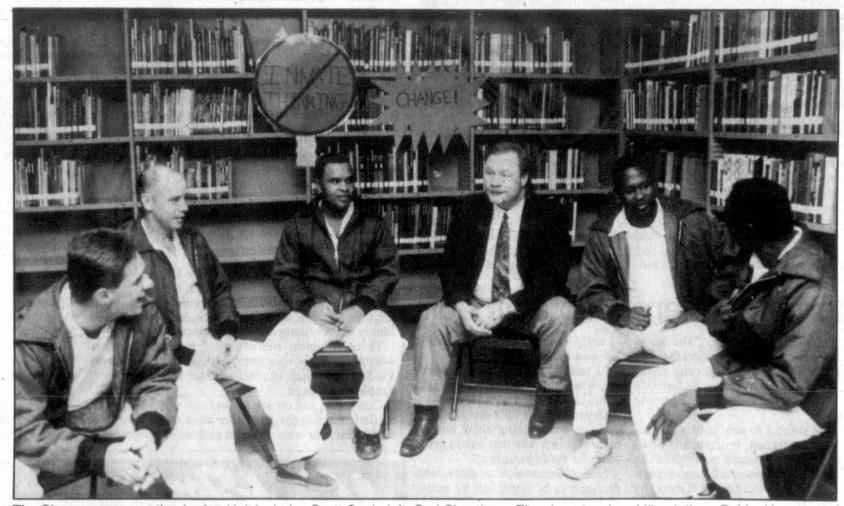
Another program aimed at the and key international cities. serious business traveler (Personal tion, tell you how much the trip will of gas and you get an estimated total than an atlas — they may need a to tell you which hotels have suites still be a handy thing to have.

cost in gas money, and how long it fuel bill. Because it knows state and survival guide to the city of their with an in-room hookup or the locaappointment. It is available for One such program (Local Expert, DOS-based PCs and eliminates the need for Windows.

As much a digital Yellow Pages knows how to get to his destination as an atlas, the program can tell you and instead offers a city map, as where to rent a car, what the dress well as where to find good sushi in code is at a local nightspot and where you can grab a quick cup of City, all at the click of an icon. A coffee. By the end of 1994, Destinanotebook feature lets you store your tion Databases are expected to be available for most major U.S. cities

Navigational programs will be Travel Guide, \$349; Destination available soon on car dashboards, Business travelers may need more Databases, \$125 each) goes further but a good sense of direction will

Newsmakers



The Changes group at the Jordan Unit includes Scott Cook, left; Carl Cheatham; Elton Lee; teacher, Mike Jeffers; Bobby Haynes and Henry Tate. (Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzankis)

The times changing at the Jordan Unit

If change is blowing in the units which relate to the phases of seems to make Jeffers angry when inside him, he said.

A 50-day class in values assessment and lifestyle skills called Changes is led by an award winning teacher named Mike Jeffers.

Jeffers, a Nebraska native, leads his inmate students through a 16- Lee. unit curriculum to help them know themselves and evaluate their lives and what it takes to be a success in the free world.

The unabashed cheerleader for I'm trying," he said. inmates claims he believes in his men though, as he admits, not motivation to change, Lee said. every inmate passes his class with lemonade of lemons, though - suc- said. cessful inmates learn even from a bad example.

Changes is structured around 16 to contribute to the class and it the values and thoughts that were the home," said Cook.

wind, the wind is blowing a gale at life. Some of the men who've the Rufe Jordan prison unit, east of completed Changes say that it has better himself. helped them see themselves through different eyes. Much of guidance, he forgets about being in the time is spent in discussion prison during class time. Cook about family and personal issues.

"At first it was like I didn't care about the class," said inmate Elton

He says he has come to see himself more positively and feels taking the class. motivated to change.

Jeffers provided some of that

flying colors. Jeffers makes he wouldn't give up on us," he

"He's a hard guy, but I like that;

someone wastes an opportunity to

Lee said that under Jeffers' agreed that being able to escape TDC (Texas Department of Corrections) for a short time helps the

"If I do nothing but add to their "I haven't changed too much but self esteem and dignity I've done a lot," said Jeffers.

Sharing experiences, including bad ones is a benefit, said Jeffers. Inmate Bobby Haynes said that looking at the consequences of his behavior has been valuable. Trying Another inmate Scott Cook said to impress others with fancy cars

Jeffers is mainly interested in two things for his class - family and jobs. Values are the keys to maintaining both, he said. He tries to impress upon his class by example the importance of a strong work ethic.

Inmate-students offer opinions inmate focus on how he perceives about why they went wrong. They himself now as opposed to before call themselves an impulsive generation lacking the family cohesiveness which came unglued in the 1960s.

"Now you look at the seventies, eighties and nineties and people are just going nuts," said Cook.

And inmates like social commentators everywhere, think all the trouble starts at home.

"In my opinion, people, parents, that Jeffers expects every student and women was letting to go waste children, all need to start over in

And this is the reason why

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS

News Editor

A group of prison inmates at the Jordan Unit east of Pampa gave facilitator than teacher. their teacher an apple when they nominated him for a regional out, the better off it is," Jeffers award which recognizes his said. instructional and leadership skills.

Mike Jeffers, an instructor at the unit was honored by KFDA Television with the Golden Apple Award in December. Jeffers does to go with life," he said. not teach in the traditional sense of Instead he leads a class called assessment.

social values needed for succes in a better way. the free world. Jeffers has set up licenses, offered seminars in sub- free world class," he said. stance abuse awareness and

psychological counselors.

class. He sees himself more as a progress.

"It seems like the more I stay mary goal of Changes.

within themselves the elements of success.

"It is up to them to decide where prison," he said.

books, chalk and school bells. lead the men to see that they have major appliance repair or he can some freedom in a prison setting Changes, which is designed to and that inside the Changes class teach inmates lifestyle skills that they are husband, sons and including self esteem and value employees. He wants to break the inmate image, he said, so that pris-The class focuses developing oners may reinvent themselves in done a disservice if he does not

"This self betterment class I job fairs, instruction for drivers have called Changes could be a

presentations by social and 50-day program is spent in free tion, public schools and industry.

discussion about values and family Jeffers describes his classes as issues. A weekly goal sheet helps being like a men's discussion participants set and evaluate

Reducing recidivism is the pri-

"TDC can bring you down. I'm trying to do something positive He believes that inmates have with values education and how it relates to future lifestyle choices are key to keeping men out of

Prison he said, can turn a man in Jeffers said that one goal is to one of two ways - he can learn learn to circumvent burglar alarms. It is his mission to be their cheerleader or evangelist, as he described it; to make the right choices. The taxpayers have been perform above the minimum level,

The teacher is in his 23rd year in education. He is an Omaha native Much of the three hour a day, who has worked in youth deten-



Square House Museum displays photos

The Square House Museum is ranching history. With the advent of 1942. A selection of 13 of these the assistance of author T. Lindsay pleased to display "blades int eh the windmill came men and compa- black-and-white photographs has Baker. Sky," a traveling photographic nies like B.G. "Tex" Burdick, Sr. exhibit on windmiller "Tex" Bur- and the Burdick & Burdick Compadick and windmills of the South- ny of El Paso. These maverick individuals and companies crisscrossed The availability of water played a the Southwest, bringing windmills major role in the settlement and the and water to a parched land. Their by Texas Tech Press, and copies are growth of the cattle industry in the story would be an untold part of Southwest. With the introduction of southwestern and ranching history, the windmill, large tracts of land except for "Tex" Burdick's chronipreviously unusable as pasturage cles of his men's work in a series of were made available. Thus, the remarkable documentary phowindmill has played a vital role in tographs taken between 1923 and Texas Tech University Press, with Museum at 537-3524.

brought together in "Blades in the Sky."

In addition to the exhibit, "Blades in the Sky," a photographic history of Burdick and Burdick by T. Lindsay Baker, has just been published on Texas Hwy. 207 at 5th Street in available in the Museum Store.

This exhibit of photographs is made possible by the Museum of Texas Tech University, the Ranching Heritage Association, and the

"Blades in the Sky" will be on

display through February 28 in the Opal Weatherly Purvines Gallery of the Square House Museum, located Panhandle. The Square House Museum opens at 8:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. Sunday and closes at 5:30 p.m. every day. Admission is always free. For more information, call the

Pampa and the late Jake Crites, has been promoted to Lt. Commander of the Narcotics Division of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Crites, of Dallas, oversees nar-

AUSTIN -- J. Wesley Crites, 53-

year-old son of Floye Christensen of

cotics work in all areas of Texas. He is based in Austin. The Roy, New Mexico, native, was reared in Pampa, where he was educated, having graduated from

Pampa High School in 1959. Crites waited two years, until he was 21, when he could join the Department of Public Safety. In 1961, he was graduated from the DPS academy in Austin as a Highway Patrolman. He was stationed in Dumas until 1970, when he transferred to the Narcotics Division of the Department in Houston. He later was promoted to the sergeant and was stationed in Dallas until 1978, when he was promoted to captain.

Crites was sworn in as Lt. Commander by Col. James R. Wilson, head of the Department in Austin.

He and his wife Sheila have three sons, Clay, Lesley, and John, and one daughter, Kerri.

LOMBARD, III.—Thomas R. Atwood of Wheeler has completed 25 years of employment service with Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America. Atwood, who joined Natural in January 1969 is station attendant at the company's purification plant near Briscoe.

Natural Gas Pipeline Company has been an employer in the Texas Panhandle since 1931. The company operates 13,000 miles of interstate transmission lines and other facilities in 12 Mid-Continent states and is a subsidary of MidCon Corp., a unit of Occidental Petroleum Corporation.

EDMOND, Okla. -- Steve Sanders, Pampa, Texas, was among 587 students named to the President's Honor Roll at the University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, Oklahoma. Those who achieved the honor recorded a straight-A, 4.0 grade-point average for the semester.

The university is the third largest

LAWTON, Okla. - Patsy R.

Barker of Pampa, Tex. was recently named to the President's honor roll at Cameron University.

The President's honor roll requires an A average or 4.0 average.

BORGER -- The following Pampa area students were among those named to the honor roll lists for the 1993 fall semester at Frank Phillips College in Borger: President's List

Larry D. Back and Gloria Estella, Miami; Stacy L. Bertrand, Groom; and Carol E. Carroll, Melinda M. Hillman, Cherie Elizabeth Schwartz and Lana Gail Vencill, Pampa. Dean's List

Pampa: Wendy G. Cobb, Laura Jean Curfman, Cynthia Ann Ensey, Robin D. Hale, Michael V. Jones, Barbara L. Kidd, Ginger R. Kilhoffer, Brenda E. Langley, Sonya M. Leach, Jamie Lynn Mixon, Monica L. Nyman, Paula K. Patton, D'Ann Riley and Darla N. Rothwell.

Colby W. Ezzell and Janet N. Gray, Canadian; Debby M. Harris and Kelly Jo McKissick, Skellytown; John T. Stauff, Miami; and Tammy S. Stewart, Panhandle.

NORMAN, Okla. -- Joshua M. Seabourn, son of Danny and Sherry Seaborn of Pampa, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the Fall 1993 semester at the University of Oklahoma

SAN ANTONIO -- Kevin HazelL, son of Murrell & Loreta Hazel of Pampa, TX — enlisted in the United States Air Force this month according to SSgt Patrick Bell, Air Force recruiter.

Upon completing the Air Force's six-week Basic Military Training at Lackland Air Force Base, near San Antonio, Texas, he is scheduled to receive technical training in the Mechanical career field.

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AMARILLO - Pampa swimmers were victorious at the C Swim Meet held this past weekend at the 25-yard indoor pool of the Maverick Club in Amarillo.

Samantha Hurst and Megan David each got two first places while Clay David had one first place.

The local swimmers are members of the Pampa Branch of the Amarillo Swim Team. Those interested in competitive age group swimming are urged to see coach Cody Huckaby from 4:30 to 6 Monday through Friday at the Pampa Youth and Community Center.

Pampa's complete results from the Amarillo C meet are listed below:

Megan David: (8 & under girls) - first, 25 backstroke, 22.50; first, 25 breaststroke, 28.69; ninth,

50 breaststroke, 1:09.58.

Samantha Hurst: 11-12 girls) - second, 50 freestyle, 34.78; first, 100 freestyle, 1:25.05 (open division); second, 50 backstroke, 41.90; first, 100 breaststroke, 1:44.22 (open division); second, 100 intermediate, 1:31.01.

Clay David: (10 & under boys) - second, 100 freestyle, 1:32.16; third, 50 breaststroke, 54.10; first, 25 fly, 20.75.

GENERAL

PAMPA - Pampa attorney John Warner will be one of three persons receiving special achievement awards during the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremonies next month in Amarillo.

Warner has been active in the Optimist Youth Program for the past three decades, both as an official and coach.

Tascosa wrestler Brandon Slay and River Road football player Donny King will also receive special achievement awards.

The trio will be honored along with the three PSHOF inductees and the coaches and players of the year in seven sports at 7 p.m. Feb. 6 in Amarillo College's Ordway Auditorium. One of the coaches to be honored is former

Pampa coach Gary Cornelson, who guided the Liberal, Kan. boys to the Class 5A track title. Ray Franks, Bobby Scott and Jill (Rankin)

Schneider will be inducted as the 95th, 96th and 97th members of the Hall of Fame.

SPEED SKATING

AMARILLO - James Gaddis, Rebecca Gaddis and Amber Dean of the Pampa Band-Aide Bunch Speed Skating Team came in first in a recent meet

Placing second were Tiffany Lucas, Artenio Alfaro, Eric Holcomb and Jeff Twigg. Placing third were Tre Stokes and Chris Smith.

Others placing from Pampa were Ron Don DeVoll and Kenny Fritz, fourth; Thad Born, Brandon Smith, Scott Phillips and Chris Delhs, fifth.

FOOTBALL

ATLANTA (AP) — Dallas Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith was selected NFL Player of the Year, beating out five finalists, including last year's winner, San Francisco quarterback Steve Young.

Smith missed first two games this season because of contract dispute. When he returned the third week, Dallas was 0-2,

Dallas lost only two more games all year - one when Smith left after one play with hamstring injury — and will make its second straight appearance in the Super Bowl Sunday against Buffalo. Smith led NFL with 1,486 yards, his third straight

Other finalists were San Francisco receiver Jerry Rice, Green Bay receiver Sterling Sharpe, Denver quarterback John Elway and Pittsburgh cornerback Rod Woodson. Player of the Year was selected by nationwide media panel.

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers fired general manager Mike Holovak and replaced him with Floyd Reese, his assistant

Holovak, general manager since Feb. 2, 1989, will assume new position of vice president for player personnel and scouting, based in Sarasota,

The Oilers made the playoffs last seven years, only to exit early. They lost in second round to

Kansas City this season. Reese, director of player personnel, assistant general manager and assistant to Holovak since 1990, has been with Oilers since 1981.

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The Green Bay Packers informed the NFL a toe injury would prevent wide receiver Sterling Sharpe from playing in the Pro Bowl Feb. 6 in Honolulu.

Sharpe's turf-toe injury on his left foot prevented him from practicing during the second half of the season, although he played every game.

Sharpe, who will attend the Pro Bowl, will be replaced by Cris Carter of the Minnesota Vikings.

KERRIGAN ATTACK

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Tonya Harding's ex-husband talked to investigators for the first time and a source told The Associated Press "the walls are really closing in" on the champion figure

Asked if Jeff Gillooly was there to implicate Harding in the attack on Nancy Kerrigan, FBI spokesman Bart Gori said, "They're asking the appropriate questions."

A source told AP that Gillooly, arrested on conspiracy charge last week, is "trying to cut a deal. He would give up his wife.

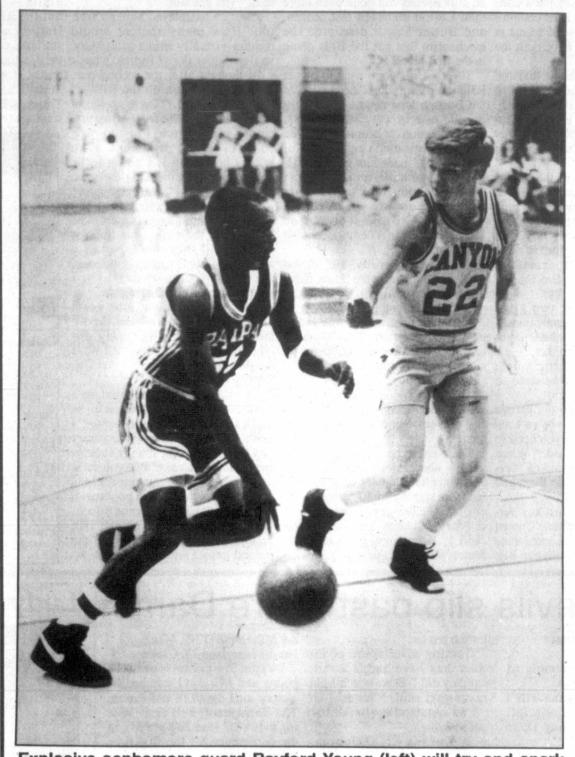
NBC News reported on the show "Now" that sources said Gillooly was working on a deal to plead guilty and get an 18-month sentence, half of what he could get if convicted.

NBC said Kerrigan's family is aware of proposed deal and approves. Harding could be arrested as soon as Thursday.

Gillooly emerged from FBI headquarters after nearly six hours with investigators and refused

Harding attorney Brian Burton said she should compete in the Olympics even if charged. The U.S. Figure Skating Association and U.S. Olympic Committee have indicated that Harding will remain on the team unless she is charged.

Pampa, Borger hook up in district showdown



Explosive sophomore guard Rayford Young (left) will try and spark the Harvesters past Borger Friday night in the Bulldogs' gym. Gametime is 7:30. (Pampa News photo)

Winner takes over sole possession of first place

Sports Writer

The winner of the Pampa-Borger boys' basketball shootout Friday night will have undisputed possession of first place in the District 1-4A race. That seems the way it should be between these two longtime rivals.

While Pampa was winning its fifth consecutive district championship last season, Borger was mired in third place, a distant four games behind the Harvesters. It just didn't seem normal for Borger to be that far back.

PHS head coach Robert Hale was thinking about the upcoming matchup after his Harvesters rolled past Randall, 80-47, Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

"This sets up the showdown, assuming Borger won," Hale

He assumed right. Borger stormed past Dumas, 77-39, Tuesday night to set up the showdown at 7:30 Friday night in the Bulldogs' gym. Both teams are perfect in district play at 4-0. And both have impressive overall records, Pampa at 17-8 and Borger at 18-7.

With almost identical season records, the contest has promises of being one of those down to the wire thrillers. Remember last year's first-round game? Pampa sneaked by, 64-63. The second meeting was all-Pampa, 67-49, as Hale's troops clinched the district championship.

Borger, however, has played a spoiler role against stronger, at least on paper, Pampa clubs in the recent

When Pampa was dropped into Class 4A in 1982 after advancing to the 5A state semifinals the year before, the Harvesters were favored to repeat the trip to Austin. Borger had other ideas, defeating Pampa in a one-game playoff to decide the district championship. That was back when only one team qualified for the playoffs.

This season, Pampa and Borger seem made for each other once again. Both teams have some height and a lot of quickness. The Harvesters have 6-4 Seivern Wallace 6-6 Justin Collingsworth, 6-2 Hank Gindorf, 5-9 Duane Nickelberry, 5-10 Rayford Young and 6-1 Coy Laury. The Bulldogs counter with 6-5 Tim Baker, 5-8 Russ McNellis, 5-8 Eric Powell, 6-0 Jeremy Armstrong and 6-1 Jonathan Johnson.

The timing for the Pampa-Borger shootout may be just right for the Harvesters. They put together one of their better second-half performances in defeating Randall.

"I feel like we're getting somewhere now. We played hard and we played smart," Hale said.

Laury and Wallace combined for 48 points and Pampa put Randall away with a 29-point fourth-quarter blitz.

Groom cagers dominating league opponents

Sports Writer

are tops in district 5-1A and both 15 Samnorwood and 2-14 Lefors. claim 5-0 records.

Tigerettes have only gotten stronger. Leading in scoring are Misty in district action. Homen, Melanie Friemel and Kay

up 25 points in any given game. "All three girls are doing extreme- by one point earlier this month. ly well," coach Terry O'Dell said,

tial." They are 23-1 on the season, and

50 after the third quarter.

Tigerettes left with the win, albeit a the bench. one-point win.

learning experience," O'Dell said. 4-1 Samnorwood next Tuesday. 'We haven't had very good compe-

The two teams will battle each other again in the season finale, right before the playoffs. But until then, This week marks the halfway the Tigerettes' biggest challenge point in the district hoop schedule, may be remembering how good they and so far, one school has frightened are. Coming up on the schedule, the competition unlike any other. they face another string of not-so-Both Groom girls' and boys' teams tough opponents in 6-13 Kelton, 5-

Groom boys are similarly unde-The girls haven't posted an 'L' feated in district, and haven't lost a since the Samnorwood tourney back game since the Groom tournament a in early December. After that loss to month ago. Among their acheivdistrict 3-1A leader Follett, the ments, the Tigers have taken down 19-3 Kelton and 15-7 Samnorwood

The Black Attack is gearing up Case, all of whom are able to rack for Friday's headliner tilt against Kelton, a team which lost to Groom

"Kelton's kind of in a position noting that Rebecca and Sandy Con- where they have to win," coach Jay rad round out the offensive front. Lamb said. "He's got a lot of talent "We've got a lot of scoring poten- on that team. I think it will be a real tough ballgame."

But Groom is packed with a talthough they seem a shoe-in for dis- ent of its own. Guard Bo Burgin trict champ, the girls are finding (16 ppg, 5 apg) and post Wes Hall legitimate competition in 18-6 (25 ppg, 12 rpg) consistently pro-McLean. Tuesday's showdown vide a good chunk of Groom's firebetween the two saw neck-and-neck power, while Bryan Crowell (8 scoring the whole way, with the ppg, 9 rpg) and Bart and Bronte score tied at 35 at halftime and 51- Britten fill in the gaps and are key on defense. Sixth-man Seth Ritter But in typical Groom fashion, the (9 ppg, 7 rpg) is a steady force off

After Kelton, Groom isn't yet over "It was a good game - a good the hump, as the Tigers must look at

"It's lived up to everything we tition the last few weeks. I knew expected," Lamb said of the tough 5-McLean had a good team; I felt they 1A district competition. "There's a were going to give us some trou- bunch of teams that could beat anybody on any given night."



Misty Homen (#11) is one of several starters responsible for Groom's 23-1 record this season. (Pampa News photo by Susan Adeletti)

Sportsman show offers advice to average anglers information. The kids will full time pro? He is currently Dallas and Denver - and

By MEL PHILLIPS

After a winter of watching those television guys catch fish after fish, anglers are eager to start catching their own.

One small problem. Just like last year and the year before, our winter fantasies your fishing, make plans to of better fishing vanish like a desert mirage when we finally arrive at our favorite fishing hole. (In fact, many anglers secretly suspect that the fish must be watching those same television shows because the magic baits and lures don't seem to work very well in our lakes.) If we could just talk to those 10% of the fishermen who catch

Southwest Outdoors

90% of the fish, they could answer some questions about our lakes. If you want to improve

attend the OUTDOOR WORLD '94 Sportsman Show that starts on Friday, Jan. 28, and runs trough Sunday, Jan. 30, at the Amarillo Civic Center. Some will want to check out the great deals on the newest RV's. Others will enjoy meeting the guides and outfitters who will have booths

rainbow trout, and a special Saturday morning kids' sembasics of fishing.

For the first time in this fisherman can finally talk answer your fishing ques- incredible trick shots. He person-to-person with expert tions. anglers who have caught fish places.)

The top bass expert is JAY fishing bass tournaments at lakes. UTE, CONCHAS, PK, and In all, ten expert anglers WORLD '94 is all about. full of fishing and hunting level. How is JAY doing as a sportsman show between this column.

Year with B.A.S.S. Even fish and trout. inar will teach them the more importantly, JAY is returning to the Texas Pan- wand and a white rabbit, handle, and during OUT- STAN FAGERSTROM uses part of Texas, the average DOOR WORLD he will a rod and reel to make some

in our local lakes. (Local in of Amarillo, JAY FRIEMEL er. West Texas includes a bit of Canyon, and JERRY more geography than in most GRAVES of Claude are three more experts who have 90% of the fish, don't miss agreed to reveal some secrets the hourly seminars. Enter-YELAS, who started out of catching more fish on our tainment and information

AMISTAD before he gradu- will attend OUTDOOR

delight in catching tasty in the lead for the presti- answer your questions about gious 1994 Angler-of-the- walleye, striper crappie, cat-

Not all magicians use a also will tell you how to be BUTCH COLANTANIO a better, more accurate cast-

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Soccer

District 4 Standings

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team	dist.	GF	GA	all	GF	GA	
Coronado	1-0	4	1	5-0	18	7	
Amarillo	1-0	2	0	4-2	14	8	
Lubbock	1-0	7	13	1-0-1	17	5	
Pampa	1-0	7	2	3-1	13	6	
Caprock	0-1	1	7	3-3	12	18	
Monterey	0-1	0	2	2-3	10	13	
Palo Duro	0-1	. 2	7	1-4	6		
Tascosa	0-1	1	4	0-3	1	7	
GIRLS							
team	dist.	GF	GA	all	GF	GA	
Lubbock	1-0	9	0	5-0	26	1	
Amarillo	1-0	3	1	4-1	23	8	
Coronado	1-0	. 3	0	4-2	12	4	
Pampa	1-0	3	1	2-2	. 8	6	
Monterey	0-1	1	3	3-3	28	11	
Tascosa	0-1	. 0	3	2-4	. 8	9	
Caprock .	0-1	1	91	-5-1	6	40	
Palo Duro	0-1	1	3	1-5	2	39	

Pampa boys and girls at Coronado - Saturday, Jan 26 at 10 a.m. Pampa boys and girls at Amarillo High - Tuesday, Feb. 1 at 4:30 p.m.

Basketball

MEN'S COLLEGE SCORES By The Associated Press

> EAST Boston College 85, St. John's 68 Bucknell 80, Lehigh 69 Lafayette 82, Fordham 75 Navy 83, Holy Cross 81 Pittsburgh 97, Buffalo 59 West Virginia 87, Duquesne 67 SOUTH

Ala.-Birmingham 62, DePaul 59 American U. 79, Old Dominion 68 Appalachian St. 71, W. Carolina 66 Citadel 65, Furman 64 Davidson 69, Georgia Southern 67 Duke 74, Notre Dame 72 E. Tennessee St. 93, Tn.-Chattanooga 85 Evansville 87, Tenn.-Martin 69 Florida 100, Georgia 78 George Mason 83, William & Mary 76

mes Madison 70, East Carolina 6 Kentucky 79, South Carolina 67 Maryland 73, Clemson 53 Mississippi St. 66, LSU 52 N. Carolina A&T 88, N.C. Greensboro 80 N. Carolina St. 84, Georgia Tech 78 N.C.-Wilmington 75, Richmond 74 North Carolina 90, Florida St. 77 Seton Hall 77, Miami 48 Vanderbilt 85, Tennessee 73 Virginia 61, Wake Forest 59

MIDWEST Ball St. 61, Akron 57 Michigan 58, Bowling Green 53 Indiana 78, Minnesota 66 Iowa 86, Northwestern 76 Kansas 62, Oklahoma St. 61, OT Miami, Ohio 79, Kent 50 Michigan St. 77, Ohio St. 71 Ohio U. 94, E. Michigan 83 St. Louis 76, Marquette 66 W. Michigan 75, Toledo 72 Wis.-Green Bay 64, Wis.-Milwaukee 42

Xavier, Ohio 75, Detroit Mercy 68 SOUTHWEST Jacksonville 90, Ark.-Little Rock 76 Oklahoma 87, Kansas St. 77 Prairie View 97, Huston-Tillotson 90 Rice 96, Baylor 88, OT Southern Meth. 70, Houston 64

FAR WEST Colorado 80, Sacramento St. 56 Loyola Marymount 76, Pepperdine 74 San Diego 97, San Francisco 94

NBA STANDINGS By The Associated Press

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Orlando	25	16	.610 3 1/2
Miami	18	21	.462 9 1/2
New Jersey	18	21	.462 9 1/2
Boston	19	23	.452 10
Philadelphia	17	23	.425 11
Washington	13	26	.33314 1/2
Ce	entral Divis	ion	
Atlanta	28	10	.737 —
Chicago	28	11	.718 1/2
Charlotte	22	19	.537 7 1/2
Cleveland	19	20	.487 9 1/2
Indiana	16	22	.421 12
Milwaukee	12	28	.300 17
Detroit	9	30	.23119 1/2

	Midwest Div	ISION			
1	W	L	Pct.	GB	
Houston	30	9	.769	_	
San Antonio	28	14	.667 3	1/2	
Utah	27	15	.643 4	1/2	
Denver	18	21	.462	12	
Minnesota	14	25	.359	16	
Dallas	2	38	.05028	3 1/2	
	Pacific Divis	sion			
Seattle	30	8	.789	-	
Phoenix	27	12	.692 3	1/2	
Portland	24	16	.600	7	
Golden State	22	16	.579	8	
LA Clippers	14	24	.368	16	
LA Lakers	13	26	.33317	7 1/2	

Tuesday's Games Orlando 112, Washington 89 Miami 119, Charlotte 98 New York 98, Phoenix 96 Atlanta 95, Milwaukee 90 Houston 96, Cleveland 93 San Antonio 107, Sacramento 91 LA Clippers 111, Seattle 103 Portland 122, New Jersey 117

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Wednesday's Games Boston 103, Miami 98 Philadelphia 104, Dallas 90 Orlando 145, Charlotte 120 Atlanta 116, Phoenix 107 Minnesota 100, Utah 98 LA Lakers 103, Indiana 99 Golden State 108, Detroit 92

Thursday's Games Dallas at Washington, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m. Sacramento at Houston, 8:30 p.m. Indiana at Denver, 9 p.m. New Jersey at Seattle, 10 p.m. New York vs. LA Clippers at Anaheim, Calif.,

10:30 p.m. Friday's Games Phoenix at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Miami at Orlando, 7:30 p.m. Atlanta at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m. Golden State at Utah, 8 p.m. Milwaukee at Chicago, 8:30 p.m Detroit at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m. Minnesota at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

Bowling

HARVESTER LANES-LEAGUE RESULTS HARVESTER WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Gas & Go	47	29
H & H Sporting	46	30
Locke Cattle Co.	44	32
Play More Music	32	44
Keyes Pharmacy	30 1/2	45 1/2
Graham Purniture	28 1/2	47 1/2

Week's High Scores

High game: Bettye Clegg, 187; High series: Billie Gowdy, 518; High handicap game: Bettye Clegg, 225; High handicap series: Billie Gowdy,

Cowboys, Bills put all the pieces together

AP Football Writer

NFL's perfect beast. The Bills put together a division

The Cowboys sank to the depths ly popular with players. of the league by the late 1980s, but last year's NFL title and are in posi- spending money. tion not only to win it again, but through the decade.

"You're looking at two great showed me something today." teams and two great organizations," said. "The records prove that."

Buffalo has the league's best and says something like that. record in the '90s, and has done so basically with the same cast.

in the front office that they've been Jets players. But they're not a great quarterback," Johnson said. "I able to keep the players you need to team. succeed," Jim Kelly said. "When you have that strong group of playbuild around them."

and Carlton Bailey, receiver James (Ind.), Kutztown, Jacksonville defense, and the players with the Lofton and general manager Bill State, Wabash, Eastern Washington biggest impact are on the line.

ATLANTA (AP) - No matter Marvcus Patton and Mark Maddox from any school, and he has the puzzle." America's perception of the Dallas er, Bill Brooks has done even more said, "you get him,"

in the first place. Several Bills point right to owner champion in 1988 and climbed to Ralph Wilson, whose dedication to they might (break up the Bills)," Tony Casillas, John Gesek and tom line. Guys are not going to stay the top of the AFC in 1990. Nobody the Buffalo area makes him a very Andre Reed said. "There was a lot Thomas Everett) and aggressive in the area and create a loyalty to in the conference has bumped them popular man in western New York. of skepticism in the front office and signings (remember Bernie Kosar?). the team." off since. Their failures in the Super His dedication to keeping his team among players, too. I'm surprised Bowl shouldn't diminish that intact, pretty much regardless of some of us are still here. Who

"Everybody looks at owners up?" were resurrected in near-record time depending on how much money by the JJs, owner Jerry Jones and you spend," Bills receiver Don the NFL is shouting to break up the coach Jimmy Johnson. They won Beebe said. "Mr. Wilson is beyond Cowboys if they win again Sunday.

continue dominating the league came up to me after the Super Bowl the Cowboys have one of the last year and said, 'Son, you really youngest rosters in the league.

Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin he called me son. That's pretty they moved quickly but wisely, distouching when the owner comes up missing the criticism that their ways

"He's just a great owner." That's not enough. Leon Hess is a "It's a great credit to the people great owner, according to New York football team to be successful is

There has to be more.

ers, you need to hold onto them and The Bills traditionally have benefit- to have a winning quarterback, the ted from signing small college play- guy who can walk into a pool room, Even when the Bills lost key per- ers. They have guys from William pick up a stick and make the 8-ball. sonnel - linebackers Shane Conlan & Mary, Chadron State, Anderson "After that, I think you win with

expense, has made him exceptional- knows how long it's going to be before they start breaking the team

It won't be long before the rest of Or maybe if they don't. Not only "For me, personally, Mr. Wilson are they football's measuring stick,

Patience, however, was not a "He didn't call me Don or kid ... virtue of the JJs. To their credit,

would never work. They worked.

"I think the No. 1 position on a don't think it's absolutely necessary that he's a superstar. If he is, it helps How about scouring the bushes? more times than not. But you have

they've found able replacements. "If you see a player, any player have to have all the pieces of the salary cap on the way, can it last?

how you perceive them — and have been just as good at lineback- ability you're looking for," Butler That, of course, means strong dominant? drafts - Troy Aikman, Emmitt "I doubt it," said Haley, who Cowboys and Buffalo Bills couldn't than Lofton managed last season, Patience has played a major role, Smith, Russell Maryland, Alvin forced a trade from San Francisco be more contrasting — the teams in and Butler hasn't disrupted the too. How many rosters would Harper and Kevin Smith, all after collecting two Super Bowl Sunday's Super Bowl have built the mechanism that got the Bills going remain virtually intact after three starters, were first-rounders since rings with the Niners. "With free straight Super flops? Buffalo's has. the JJs took charge. It means good agency, guys are going to realize

"To be a champion, though, you With such success and with a Can the Cowboys and Bills remain

"I thought after the second one, trades (for starters Charles Haley, that all they care about is the bot-

Super Bowl MVP's

1967—Bart Starr, QB, Green Pittsburgh 1968-Bart Starr, QB, Green 1969-Joe Namath, QB, N.Y. 1970-Len Dawson, QB Kansas City 1971—Chuck Howley, LB, Dal-1972-Roger Staubach, QB,

Dallas 1973-Jake Scott, S, Miami 1974—Larry Csonka, RB, Giants 1975—Franco Harris, RB, Pitts-

burgh 1976—Lynn Swann, WR, Pittsburgh 1977—Fred Biletnikoff, WR,

Dakland 1978—Randy White, DT and N.Y. Giants Harvey Martin, DE, Dallas 1979-Terry Bradshaw, QB, ittsburgh 1980—Terry Bradshaw, QB, las

1981-Jim Plunkett, QB, Oakland 1982-Joe Montana, QB, San 1983-John Riggins, RB Washington

1984—Marcus Allen, RB, L.A Raiders 1985—Joe Montana, QB, San Francisco 1986-Richard Dent, DE,

Chicago

1987-Phil Simms, QB, N.Y 1988—Doug Williams, QB

Washington 1989-Jerry Rice, WR, San Francisco 1990-Joe Montana, QB, San

Francisco 1991—Ottis Anderson, RB 1992-Mark Rypien, QB

Washington 1993—Troy Aikman, QB, Dal-

Blue Devils slip past Notre Dame

By The Associated Press

of a miss for No. 2 Duke.

Wednesday night, lifting Duke team tonight." over Notre Dame 74-72. "I just decided to crash the State 61

boards from the wing and get to a Steve Woodberry hit a 3-point Maryland never trailed in winspot where I thought it might shot with 1,5 seconds left in over- ning its fourth straight game. come. It came right to me," Clark time and Kansas beat Oklahoma Kyle Freeman had 16 points for said.

College basketball

ference opponent. Notre Dame nine points. (5-12), which led by 12 points

"It seems like it's all for naught at 54. when you lose by two points," No. 4 North Carolina 90, Flori- Carter Long scored 21 points said Monty Williams, who scored da State 77 34 points for the Irish. "It says

our team.' 9 Kentucky downed South Car- No. 9 Kentucky 79, South Car- through the second half. olina 79-67, No. 11 Indiana olina 67 stopped No. 17 Minnesota 78-66, ma-Birmingham downed DePaul Arena. 62-59, North Carolina State

22 Marquette 76-66. giving Notre Dame a 72-69 lead. 2-4). shots with 2:11 left and Chris nesota 66 Collins hit one free throw with 37

seconds to go, tying it at 72. the final shot, but Lamarr Justice's pass glanced off Ryan Hoover's hands.

First, they threw away an 20. inbounds pass. Then, after Anto-Williams took a long shot just Carter scored 18 points for visit- son.

"Coming after some of the No. 18 Maryland 73, Clemson 53 Marty Clark made the most out losses they have had, I admire Duane Simpkins scored 18 what they did," Duke coach Mike points and Maryland matched its Clark tipped in Grant Hill's Krzyzewski said. "We feel we victory total for all of last season. shot with three seconds left beat an outstanding basketball The Terrapins (12-3) tied Duke

State for the 30th time in 32 visiting Clemson (10-8, 1-5). games in Lawrence.

Woodberry led the Jayhawks Duquesne 67 (18-2, 3-1 Big Eight) with 17 Marsalis Basey had 27 points The Blue Devils (14-1) won for points. Greg Ostertag tied a team and West Virginia beat Duquesne

late in the first half, threw away for the Cowboys (13-6, 2-2). in the second half to go ahead. the ball with 14 seconds left, Bryant Reeves had 13 points, Derrick Alston had 23 for the leading to Clark's tiebreaking including a basket with 39 sec- Dukes (9-6; 3-3).

something about Duke, but it also and Dante Calabria had 20 as schmidt missed a 3-point shot at says a lot about the character on North Carolina won on the road. the buzzer.

defeated Florida State 90-77, No. 14 for Florida State (8-7, 1-6).

Jeff Brassow scored 25 points 2-3) with 14 points. No. 18 Maryland topped Clemson and Jared Prickett had 17 North Carolina State 84, No. 21 73-53, No. 19 West Virginia beat rebounds as Kentucky won its Georgia Tech 78 Duquesne 87-67, No. 20 Alaba- 32nd straight game at Rupp

defeated No. 21 Georgia Tech 84- second half that helped the Wild- surprised visiting Georgia 78 and No. 23 St. Louis beat No. cats (15-3, 5-2 Southeastern Con-Tech. ference) break away from a 45-40 Joe Ross tipped in a miss by lead. Jamie Watson scored 21 led by 17 points before Tech (11-Williams with 2:26 remaining, points for South Carolina (5-10, 6, 2-4) rallied behind James For-

Cherokee Parks made two foul No. 11 Indiana 78, No. 17 Min- rebounds.

Damon Bailey set a school Marquette 66 record for career 3-point shots Notre Dame tried to set up for and Indiana took over the Big Ten points and St. Louis avenged its

total of 149, one more than the including four 3-pointers in the mark set last year by Calbert first six minutes. The Irish got the ball twice Cheaney. Bailey finished with 19 after Clark's go-ahead basket. points and Alan Henderson had at Marquette (11-5, 4-1) last Sat-

nio Lang missed two foul shots extended his free throw streak to likens have drawn a record attenfor Duke with two seconds left, a conference record 46. Randy dance at St. Louis Arena this sea-

ing Minnesota (13-5, 4-2).

for the ACC lead and are 5-1 in No. 3 Kansas 62, Oklahoma the conference for the first time since 1979-80.

No. 19 West Virginia 87,

the 87th straight time at home record with eight blocked shots for the 15th straight time at home. against a non-Atlantic Coast Con- and also had 11 rebounds and The Mountaineers (13-2, 6-1 Atlantic 10) trailed 40-33 at the Brooks Thompson scored 23 break, but used an 11-0 run early

onds left in regulation that tied it No. 20 Alabama-Birmingham

62, DePaul 59 and Alabama-Birmingham held Derrick Phelps had 22 points on at home when Tom Klein-

The Tar Heels (16-3, 4-2 ACC) UAB (15-2, 3-1 Great Mid-In other games, No. 3 Kansas scored the game's first 12 points west) set a school record by takbeat Oklahoma State 62-61 in and led 31-13. Bob Sura scored ing 30 3-pointers, and made nine overtime, No. 4 North Carolina 18 points and Charlie Ward had of them. Long's 3-point shot capped a 16-4 spree midway

Kleinschmidt led DePaul (12-4,

Guards Lakista McCuller and Curtis Marshall each scored 19 Prickett led a 10-3 burst in the points and North Carolina State

> The Wolfpack (6-10, 2-4 ACC) rest. He had 28 points and 13

No. 23 St. Louis 76, No. 22

Erwin Claggett scored 23 only loss of the season. Claggett Bailey hit four 3-pointers for a had 20 points in the first half,

St. Louis (15-1, 3-1) lost 62-52 urday. The crowd of 18,158 Todd Leary of the Hoosiers marked the third time the Bil-

Lady Harvesters go to Borger



Pampa's Jayme Davis (right) tries to knock a rebound away from Randall's Tracy Simms during the District 1-4A girls game Tuesday night at McNeely Fieldhouse. The Lady Harvesters travel to Borger for more district action Friday. Gametime is 6 p.m. Pampa is 1-5 in district play and 3-18 for the season. Borger is 4-2 in district and 21-6 overall. (Pampa News photo)

PHS wrestlers entered in District Tournament

Center in Amarillo.

the Regional Tournament Feb. 11- Amarillo High. advances to the state meet Feb. "I'm seeing some great things 17-19 in Abilene.

warmup for regionals. The entire great matches and had two falls. team goes. It's like starting a new Todd had two pins." season.. You can throw all the old records out the window," said PHS coach Steve Kuhn.

Kuhn said Eric Zamudio (119), gram.

The Pampa High wrestlers are Mark Scott (145), Mike Weatherentered in the District Tournament ly (160) and heavyweight Todd Feb. 4-5 at the Tascosa Activities Alfonsi turned in solid performances in matches earlier this The district meet is followed by week against Palo Duro and

12 at the Amarillo High School "We're awfully young, but I Activities Center. The top two in feel like we're making progress each weight class at regionals every time out," said Kuhn. from Eric and Mark is doing a good job for us. Mike is just a "The district meet is like a freshman, but he wrestled two

This marks Pampa's fifth year to have a high school wrestling pro-

Edberg hopes to combine luck and skill in Australian Open semifinals

By PETER JAMES SPIELMANN **Associated Press Writer**

to end the jinx that has haunted him match. since the Australian Open moved to

years ago. The powerful Swede has then losing to him at the Grand appeared in three of the last four Slam Cup. finals, but the prize has somehow slipped away from him.

"I need a little bit of luck," Edberg said. "I have played semififinals."

ing American newcomer.

beating Edberg at the Tokyo Indoor, better seven times.

tralian Open and is feeling confi- first clay court title at Madrid.

nals or better since I came here, but always have a good chance," he semifinal. I haven't won it the last three said. "I've got a very, very good record here in the last 10 years over top 10 players — in addition eight times in their 10 meetings, The fourth-seeded Edberg, win- playing in quarterfinals or better, so to Edberg, there were wins over including. Sampras has also won to attack more, and on his forehand. step toward the Grand Slam tourna- feel really good.

ment title Friday when he takes on Experience and consistency His ranking rose from 87th to 13th. against Courier, who has won the interesting match."

match.

The other semifinal pits top-seed- This Australian Open is Edberg's "Stefan just hovers over the net" so "I think we've had some good MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) ed Pete Sampras against third-seed- 43rd consecutive Grand Slam tour- much. Martin says he beat Edberg matches in the past, so I always. - Stefan Edberg believes it is time ed Jim Courier in an all-American nament; he has reached at least the in the past with strong serves and look forward to it. I think we tend semifinals 19 times in his career. He good returns. Edberg and Martin played twice has played the Australian Open 10

Edberg, however, likes the Aussince 1989, but he did capture his shot is going to be that much better. know each other very well. They're

"I feel, coming to Australia, I and this will be his first Grand Slam keeping him at the baseline."

going up against Edberg because years.

"He wins so many points with Courier said. the National Tennis Center six last year, with split results, Martin times, reaching the semifinals or his volleys that you really have to Ivansevic, beaten by Courier in Last year he failed to win a Grand return." Martin said. "If you hit a good semifinal. Slam tournament for the first time good return, then your next passing

But last year he had five victories Sampras has beaten Courier both guys.

ninth-seed Todd Martin, a fast-ris- will be a big factor in Friday's Martin admits he worries about Australian Open the past two.

to bring out the best in each other,"

get on his case early with the the quarterfinals, said it should be a

"They're good friends and they "Also, if you serve well, the bet- coming from the same country, they Martin only turned pro in 1990, ter chances you are going to have of know how to play on this court," Ivanisevic said. "They always have good matches, big forehands (from)

"On Friday, I know Pete is going ner in 1985 and 1987, takes another conditions really suit me here ... I Goran Ivanisevic, Michael Chang, two of the three Grand Slam tournables feel really good."

Andre Agassi and Boris Becker. nament matches he has played the court is pretty slow, so it is an

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Scientists get new glimpse of 'ripples' in early universe

By MALCOLM RITTER **AP Science Writer** NEW YORK (AP) - Sci-

entists have gotten their first direct look at the remains of ripples in the very early universe, a step toward better understanding of what happened after the Big Bang.

Researchers studying the microwave radiation that showers Earth from all directions located hot spots and cold spots - the signatures of the ancient ripples in matter.

These ripples - areas of slightly higher density were a first step in the transformation from a smooth universe right after the Big Bang to today's lumpy topography, with galaxies and even larger collections of matter separated by vast voids.

The new work confirms and builds upon a discovery reported in 1992, in which analysis of the microwave radiation from all across the sky found that hot spots existed but did not locate

"We're actually seeing the individual hot spots in the early universe," said Rod Davies, director of the University of Manchester's Jodrell Bank observatory in England.

The work, done with radiotelescopes at Tenerife, Spain, covers about 10 percent of the sky. As scientists study the shapes and sizes of the hot spots and map them across wider portions of the sky, they can begin to assess theories about the early universe and about particle physics at the very high energies that were present then, Davies said.

The microwave variations reflect ripples in matter when the universe was only about 300,000 years into its 15-billion-year history. At that time, the universe was cooling just enough that electrons and protons began to combine to form hydrogen atoms, Davies said.

Once the ripples formed, gravity worked on them to make bigger and bigger clumps of matter.

Davies and colleagues from England and Spain report the detections in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

"I think it's exciting," said astrophysicist George Smoot of the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory and the University of California, Berkeley, who had reported

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the 1992 findings. "It's the difference between knowing there are five continents and saying, 'Here's the shape of North America,' "Smoot said.

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Ex-KGB spy says he penetrated Israel's top secret nuclear facilities

is currently serving a 15-year term.

Polish-born Marcus Klingberg, 75, a former Red Army colonel, was

jailed in 1983 and given an 18-year

sentence reportedly for revealing

secrets about biological warfare to

the Soviets. His case was published

in August when his attorney

affairs at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, said there were public

demands to explain cases of people

who vanished years ago without

cratic countries, and when the pres-

sure grows it pressures the system to

reveal things sometimes," Sela said. 'They are under pressure to show

Isser Harel, a former head of Mossad Intelligence, said Israel's

open immigration policy to Jews

even from hostile countries has made

the Jewish state very vulnerable to penetration by foreign agents.

wanted to absorb them with an open

heart. It was clear you were taking a

risk, but in the end when you took

stock of things you decided immigra-

tion was more important than the

risk," the Latvian-born Harel told

have immigrated from Russia since

the early 1970s and represent about

12 percent of Israel's population.

In all, more than 600,000 Jews

"We were a small country that

'This is not appropriate for demo-

Amnon Sela, an expert on Russian

appealed for a pardon.

they didn't kill anyone."

explanation.

The AP.

By ALLYN FISHER **Associated Press Writer**

JERUSALEM (AP) - Stepping out of the shadows 20 years after being freed in a spy swap, former Soviet agent Yuri Linov revealed Wednesday that he had penetrated Israel's top secret nuclear laboratories.

A lieutenant-colonel for the KGB, Linov was sent to Israel disguised as a Jewish immigrant from Austria in 1968. He even underwent circumcison in Moscow to protect his cover.

For five years, Linov said, he operated a ring of agents, including informants inside Israel's nuclear reactors at Dimona in the Negev Desert and Nahal Sorek on the Mediterranean

He claimed he found out Israel was working on an atomic weapon but doesn't believe he broke any new ground.

"I guess it was known. There are only a few secrets left in this modern world," said Linov, who spoke to The Associated Press Wednesday while on a business stop in the Bavarian town of Hassfurt, Germany.

Israel neither confirms nor denies the presence of nuclear weapons although it is widely believed to possess them.

The Justice Ministry said a spy with the cover name of Karl Mutel, Linov's alias on an Austrian passport, had been sentenced to 18 years in prison for espionage in the 1970s.

Document, a television program that broke news of the Linov case Tuesday, said he was charged with giving the KGB information on weapons production, secret bases, political and security officials and immigration. Precise details are still under wraps, it said.

Linov was freed a year after his capture in March 1973 as part of a swap in which at least seven other spies were released including Israelis posted in Arab countries such as Yemen and Egypt, he told The AP.

At his closed-door trial, Linov said, "I pleaded guilty because I felt guilt. It's a small country and I understood the problems as though they were my

Linov said he spied for more than
16 years in Europe as well as in

Israel He was being Israel. He was being groomed to spy in the United States when his superiors decided to send him to Israel because ties ruptured during the 1967 Mideast War had left Moscow without any diplomats to gather intelligence in the Jewish state.

Now a 56-year-old businessman operating from Kiev and Moscow, Linov says he tries to forget what happened in the past. "It was not my real life," said Linov, who has a wife and three daughters.

The Linov affair is the latest in a series of espionage cases to come to light in recent months as journalists have succeeded in challenging the government's veil of secrecy.

In November, the Supreme Court lifted a six-year embargo on the case of Roman Weisfeld, a Soviet immigrant and electrical engineer who spied for the KGB for eight years and

Trial begins for teen in deaths of three boys

CORNING, Ark. (AP) - Melissa Byers waits with dreaded anticipation for the trial of a teenager accused in the bludgeoning deaths of her 8-year-old son and two of his

Opening statements began Wednesday in the capital murder trial of Jessie Lloyd Misskelley Jr. them he and two other suspects were members of a satanic cult.

Misskelley's lawyers say their client is innocent and that he was coerced into making implicating statements. He faces a possible death penalty if convicted.

Mrs. Byers' son Chris, and two 8year-old friends, Steve Branch and Michael Moore, disappeared May 5 while riding their bicycles. Their bodies were found the next day in a drainage ditch in a wooded area less than a mile from their West Memphis homes. Police said they died of blows to the head and that one had been sexually mutilated.

Mrs. Byers said she dreaded hearing graphic details about her son's slaying, but had to know the truth.

"He was my child," she said. "There's a mother's love; you want to know. I have to be here.

She and the other victims' parents attended selection of the 12-member jury last week and said they would

attend the trial. "This is just the start of it," Chris' father, Mark, said last week. "When (the defendants) are not breathing anymore, there'll be a lot more heal-

Circuit Judge David Burnett postponed opening statements for nearly a week, prompting speculation that a

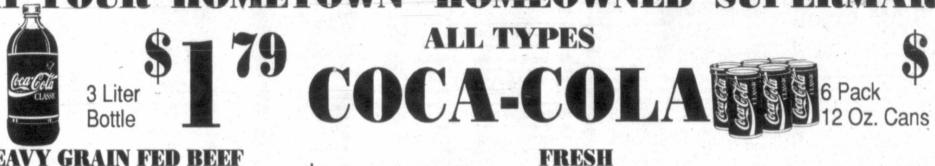
plea agreement was in the works.

French supermarket collapses



The concrete roof at a busy supermarket in Nice, France, collapsed that had fallen into the aisles of groceries. More than 70 of the Wednesday. Authorities said at least two people were killed, more injured were hospitalized, including at least six reported in serious than 90 were injured and about 15 were still trapped in the rubble. condition, officials said. The collapse occurred about 4 p.m. in the The regional civil defense headquarters had earlier reported 10 Casino supermarket, which faces the Nice airport and is near the deaths, but later revised the figure. Rescue crews, assisted by dogs, western end of the city's famous seaside boulevard, the Promenade searched carefully into the night, working around chunks of concrete des Anglais. (AP photo)

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Consumers work miracles and push economy forward

By JOHN CUNNIFF **AP Business Analyst**

consumers have worked miracles in the past and maybe have done so again. Despite layoffs, taxes est levels in about two decades. and debts, American consumers are pushing the economy forward.

furniture and electronic equipment. They are are pushing stocks to new highs, and as they do so they generate an enthusiasm for more Wall Street bulls.

Never underestimate consumers. When pinched, they seek bargains; in pursuit of them, consumers \$783 billion in November 1993 transformed retailing into a mar- was more than \$6 billion higher ketplace of discounters. They seek than in October, and October was quality; in search of it, they forced automakers to change design, manufacturing and marketing of cars.

Now they are the big force behind the economic expansion.

That in itself is a great accomplishment, but it is amazingly so when you consider the immediate sluggish growth in personal income, job insecurity and a level of debt that shocks old-timers.

These impediments have a long history of growth, and so aren't likely to disappear, as the Tax Foundation, watchdog of federal, state and local tax changes, calculates so well.

Late last year it estimated that the "typical" (median income) money.

American family's income after Even those who refinance withbelow the level reached in 1989. from lower monthly payments. two income earners.

Using Census Bureau figures, the foundation shows that in 1980 the typical family earned \$26,879. rates. By 1993, its income had almost only \$4,504 more than in 1980 weakness of the current economic that it could call its own.

the major culprits in the erosion they rise, as someday they will? were taxes and inflation, including

withholding taxes in 1994 and per- equity? haps an additional tax jolt in April, increase in withholding.

It hardly seems to matter though. Inflation seems to be in check for the time being (at least NEW YORK (AP) - American some of it because today's consumer is a bargain hunter), and interest rates remain at their low-

Those low interest rates are the key factor in the consumer's abili-They are buying houses, cars, ty to spend. Just as non-inflated prices and bargains encourage buying, low interest rates encourage borrowing.

In fact, the spending spurt of the past few months was fueled by

Consumer installment credit of nearly \$7 billion higher than September. Home mortgage debt totals more than \$3 trillion, high-

That mortgage debt is especially significant because it could be the engine of growth. While the mortgage debt figure is high, the impediments, such as rising taxes, monthly payments aren't necessarily so. They may even be lower, thanks to refinancing.

> Refinancing of homes can release huge amounts of liquidity into the consumer economy money that can be used for automobiles, investment in securities, education or whatever else the

taxes and inflation still remained out adding to debt can benefit That typical family, it states, has Edward Yardeni, economist for the C.J. Lawrence securities firm, estimates homeowners save as much as \$50 billion a year in lower

Low interest rates, therefore, doubled to \$51,883 - but it had may be both the strength and the expansion. They are spurring activ-By the foundation's reckoning, ity now, but what happens when

What happens not just to homean enormous jump in medical care owners with big debts, but to mutual funds riding high on Consumers now face higher money borrowed from housing

Those are questions for another arising from a tax increase last time. Right now, low rates, easy year without a corresponding terms and low monthly repayments are spurring the economy.

Granddaddy of stock averages chugging toward 4,000 mark

By CHET CURRIER **AP Business Writer**

3,800 and 3,900 already in the first few weeks of 1994, the Dow Jones average seems hellbent for 4,000.

The round number looms as an impressive milestone for the oldest and best-known indicator of stock price trends.

years since the Dow hit 2,000 for points. the first time, on Jan. 8, 1987. Even your investment is still a pretty big deal on Wall Street.

Nevertheless, the event isn't likely to get much more than a passing exists. nod from many professional investors, for whom the Dow has

When portfolio managers of penlarge pools of money want a reference point for the market, they most often use the Standard & Poor's lack thereof. 500-stock composite index.

than the 30-stock sample representvalue.

In the Dow, which is not even price-weighted, a \$1 change up or down in a \$100 stock like Caterpillar counts the same as a \$1 change in a \$13 stock like Westinghouse, although the percentage impact on investors is far different.

These days, there are numerous other statistical benchmarks designed for use in a high-tech investment age, while the Dow still operates on pretty much the same basis it did in the era of green eye-

shade and ticker tape. stocks, it will most likely compare its results to indexes for the Nasdaq market, where the shares of many

smaller companies trade. To keep up with stock splits and used to calculate the Dow average has been adjusted repeatedly.

Originally, the Dow average was NEW YORK (AP) - Having hit reached by simply adding up the prices of the 30 stocks and dividing by 30, thus arriving at an average

With all the changes over the years, however, the divisor has now been reduced to 0.444. That means that a \$1 change in a single stock After all, it's been only seven raises or lowers the average by 2.25

Critics of the Dow say this multiin these fast-money days, doubling plier effect, combined with the high level at which the average stands, can contribute to an impression of greater volatility than actually

The Dow today could take a seemingly dramatic 67-point drop long since been superseded as a based merely on a \$1 decline for each of its components.

Actually, analysts say that what sion funds, mutual funds and other has been most remarkable about the stock market in the past few years has not been its volatility, but the

The range between the high and In addition to being much broader low for the S&P 500 in 1993 was just 9.8 percent, noted David Shuled by the Dow, the S&P 500 also is man, investment strategist at weighted to reflect the size of each Salomon Brothers Inc. The previcomponent company's total market ous modern record, 11.8 percent, was set in 1992.

Striving to keep the Dow current with the times, Dow Jones & Co. in recent years has stretched the definition of "industrial" company to include such businesses as the banking company J.P. Morgan; McDonald's Corp.; and Walt Dis-

Yet the Dow remains very much a symbol of old-line industrial America - steel, oil, automobiles, chem-

icals and paper. Thus it has been benefiting lately from enthusiasm for "smokestack" If an investment fund specializes stocks as the economy shows signs in, say, small-company growth at last of building up a head of

The Dow finished 1993 with a net gain of 13.72 percent. When you put that up against the S&P 500's advance of just 7.06 percent, other changes among the Dow's you'd have to say that the stodgy component companies, the formula old Dow outperformed the market.

Exxon OKs joint venture in Venezeula

IRVING (AP) - An affiliate of Exxon Corp. has signed an agreement to form a joint-venture liquefied natural gas company in

Venezuela, Exxon said this week. The new company, Sucre Gas, S.A., plans to investigate the technical and commercial viability of the project, including evaluating the development and marketing of natural gas from fields offshore the state of Sucre in northeast Venezuela.

"The formation of the joint venture is an important milestone in the development of this project," said Fritz R. Voigt, vice president for gas of Exxon Co., International. "Exxon is pleased to be a participant in this

Joining the affiliate, Exxon Venezuela LNG Inc., in the agreement are Shell Gas Venezuela B.V., Mitsubishi Corp. and Lagoven, S.A., a Venezuelan oil company.

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Defusing violence in the workplace

By DIANA KUNDE The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS (AP) - The supervisor was about to place his problem employee on probation, with the idea of firing him soon afterward. There would be no sever-

Then a co-worker confided disquieting news: "You need to know this man said he would kill you if anything happened to his job," he told the supervisor.

The frightened manager called his boss, who telephoned Sonny Weide, a Fairfax, Va., consultant specializing in preventing workplace violence.

Weide recommended a course of action that not only avoided a flare-up, but eventually succeeded in rehabilitating the employee, a middle-aged accountant with no previous history of violent behavior.

First, two managers – the immediate supervisor and his boss - confronted the employee, presenting a calm and united front. The employee was placed on probation on the condition that he agree immediately to counseling. A psychologist determined that the accountant wasn't dangerous. The man, who was suffering from emotional distress at home as well as at and how to refer someone who is becoming overly work, recovered with treatment.

Tragedies can occur when hostile reactions aren't defused. Workplace homicides were the second-largest cause of U.S. occupational deaths during 1992 and the leading cause in Texas. Actions against employers, while a relatively small percentage of the whole, are increasing most rapidly, according to a recent study by the National Safe Workplace Insitute in Chicago and Behavior Analysis & Consultants in Florida.

"It's an issue screaming for attention," Joseph Kinney, director of the nonprofit Chicago institute, said in a telephone interview. He and Florida consultant Dennis Johnson studied in detail 125 cases of workplace violence, resulting in 393 deaths, since 1989.

Separately, the Society for Human Resource Management recently polled 479 human resource executives. Thirty- wo percent reported one or more violent acts in their companies since 1989, ranging from fistfights to shootings. Of those, 54 percent involved employees acting against co-workers. Thirteen percent were directed at a supervisor.

"Most people figure it won't happen to them. But I can tell you, I sat in that seat once, and it's no place to

be," said Weide, the consultant. savings bank in Chevy Chase, Md., with 3,000 employees, Weide was one of the first on the scene after a shooting at his workplace in which four people were killed, including the disgruntled employee who

The experience in 1989 led him to his current job of training managers to spot trouble and helping after a tragedy has occurred. His key message is that supervisors need to be trained to deal with difficult situations.

"Managers are often trained to handle this (terminations) wrong. They're trained to deal with these things hard and fast," dismissing employees and ordering them to clear out quickly, Weide said. "In a lot of cases, you end up severing this person's connection with their support system. It can be just the issue that triggers the event."

Instead, managers should deal with performance problems early while there's still a chance to work out improvements. When they confront an employee, they need to be firm - but also to listen calmly

Johnson, the Florida consultant and psychologist, recommends creating an ongoing threat-management team. In larger firms, the team can include people from security, human resources, legal, labor and a psychologist knowledgeable about violence, who can be on call. A corporate policy should let employees know where and how to report threats. And supervisors should be trained to recognize trouble signs and understand when confrontational.

"In all the cases we studied, rarely was there a case where there weren't recognizable threats. Sometimes, co-workers knew there were problems, but they didn't know who to report them to," Johnson said.

It's also important to pay attention to the overall workplace climate. A "toxic work environment" that is authoritarian and unpredictable may not cause violence, but contributes by raising the stress level, Johnson said. He recommends confidential employee surveys to take the pulse of an organization.

Most companies "put far more energy into hiring than into firing," and that's a mistake, said James Allen Fox, dean of the College of Criminal Justice at Northeastern University and a specialist in violence directed against employers.

Treat fired or laid off employees with "respect and compassion. And if they're been with the company a long time, they need to be assisted in finding another job," he said. Fox suggests giving tuition reimbursement to laid-off workers if you extend it to employees.

A Texas employer narrowly avoided a shooting just last month in San Antonio. Negotiators at Fort Sam Houston, including FBI agents, a co-worker and chap-In a former job as head of human resources for a lain, succeeded in talking a 51-year-old fired civilian employee into dropping two guns and surrendering to authorities. He had been holding his supervisor hostage in her office.

The man was charged with assault with a deadly weapon and use of a firearm in a violent crime.

More public schools run by private companies

By CAROLE FELDMAN **AP Education Writer**

more is letting private companies manage some public schools, and so but he said he had no intention of is Minneapolis, but skeptics say allowing the business to take over matically enriched the lives of the there's no proof that private managers can do a better job.

"There has been a mad chase after magic bullets time and time the company. "By all indications, again," Bella Rosenberg of the we can see this is moving in the American Federation of Teachers right direction," he said. said Tuesday at a hearing before the Senate appropriations subcommittee of the D.C. public schools, is conon education. She cautioned against sidering turning over 15 of the city's "fads and quick fixes" to solve the

problems of public schools. Still others say the privatization of public schools is something worth

"I think we should be open to new ways of thinking and educating that will result in the improvement of teaching and learning," said Thomas Payzant, the Education Department's assistant secretary for elementary and secondary educa-

"If communities want to hire companies to come in and help their schools, they ought to be able to do so," he said. "But they must require the private contractors to meet the teria workers. It estimates that it can Schmidt said. same expectations established for save 20 percent to 30 percent of the public school educators and ensure non-instructional costs of a school. that all children have access to the schools private firms manage."

age nine city schools. Two addition- student-teacher ratio to about 15-1, teaching."

al schools have since been turned the company hires graduate students over to the company.

Schools Superintendent Walter G. WASHINGTON (AP) - Balti- Amprey said the company has "pierced the bureaucracy for me," the entire city school system.

The Baltimore schools have a five-year, \$132 million contract with

Franklin L. Smith, superintendent schools to a private management

"We're in trouble," he said bluntly. "If I can get someone to come in and assist me in helping to establishing an appropriate learning environment ..., it will be a big help for me in moving to a system where all children can excel.

"We view our role as being catalytic to change," said John Golle, Schmidt Jr., the project's president. chairman of Education Alternatives

Golle said his company works

money into the classroom, in the ers who fit in well with our curricu-Baltimore initially contracted with form of technology and staff devel- lum and our strategy," he said. "Our Education Alternatives Inc. to man-opment for teachers. To reduce the aim is bringing new people into

as instructional interns.

He said student test scores have improved dramatically, rising by a minimum of 1 1/2 grade levels. "Most people agree we have drachildren we serve," he said.

The company earned a 3.5 percent profit last year, Golle said.

The private partnership with Baltimore has been challenged in court by the Baltimore teachers union, which claims city officials overstepped their authority.

The Edison Project, established in 1991 by Whittle Communications, hopes to begin operating its first public schools in the fall of 1995.

It envisions schools open from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m., with 1 1/2 hours at the beginning and end of the day optional for families who need child care services. "We think schools should reflect the current needs of American families," said Benno C.

A student-teacher ratio of about 17-1 would be the norm, and students would be organized in "houswith existing faculty but brings in es" of about 100 students with a private companies for non-instruc- team of teachers, with whom they tional jobs, like custodians and cafe- would stay for about three years,

He sidestepped questions about what would happen to existing He said the company has put more teachers. "We need to recruit teach-

Report: Dell poised to re-enter notebook market

AUSTIN (AP) - Dell Computer The PC maker, which expects can-Statesman reported.

The newspaper reported that year. industry analysts say the strategy is designed to minimize the company's are the fastest-growing segment of financial risk while rebuilding its the personal computer industry, with credibility as a supplier of innovative portable machines.

Austin-based Dell has been planning a comeback in the fast-growing notebook business since last May, when it divulged that it was scrapping several new notebook models then under development because the first half of the new fiscal year. they weren't competitive.

shelving several notebook development projects.

Analysts say notebook machines to supply it with machines. sales in this country estimated at 2.5 Mass., said Dell's campaign "is million units last year, about 17 percent of overall PC sales.

Dell has remained quiet about its plans for the notebook business, divulging only that product introductions will be phased in starting in

Last spring, the company hired Dell was forced to write off more John Medica, who helped design than \$30 million against earnings in Apple Computer's successful the first and second quarters after PowerBook models, to head its with Oppenheimer & Co. in New product planning and development York, said Dell "is just taking baby for notebook machines.

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The American-Statesman reported Corp. will re-enter the notebook sales of nearly \$3 billion for the fis- that analysts believe Dell is engaged computer business in at least three cal year ending Jan. 31, sold only a in a three-part campaign that steps this year, the Austin Ameri- small number of its own notebook depends in part on rival AST machines in the second half of the Research of Irvine, Calif., and consumer electronics giant Sony Corp.

Analyst Bill Ablondi with BIS Strategic Decisions of Norwell, going to be slow and steady, chipping away at the marketplace.

"Their goal is to be in the top five (notebook sellers) in the next two to three years. It's a lofty goal, but Dell has the brand name, the distribution strategy and the team to pull it together. I give them a fighting chance to do it," Ablondi said.

Jim Poyner, a securities analyst steps trying to re-establish itself."

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DALLAS (AP) - On The Border cer of Brinker International. Cafes Inc. is joining Brinker International Inc.'s already formidable portfolio of popular casual restaurants.

A merger of the two Dallas-based firms was announced this week, with plans for the Tex-Mex style restaurants to become a wholly owned subsidiary of Brinker International in

'On The Border is a unique and franchised. proven concept in an exciting and

"We believe that the strong and similar cultures of the two companies million, more than 3.7 million fully will allow us to aggressively expand the concept in the Mexican causal din-

tions, 14 of which are owned by the percent of the outstanding stock have company and seven more that are agreed to vote in favor of the merger.

Macaroni Grill and Spageddies. Under the deal, valued at about \$32 will blend easily, and that this merger diluted shares of On The Border common stock will be traded for 750,000 shares of Brinker common stock.

Two founding shareholders of On There are 21 On The Border loca- The Border who own more than 33 The merger with Brinker Interna-

The cafes will join more than 400 tional will bring added value to both growing segment of the restaurant other Brinker-owned restaurants under our shareholders and our employees," industry," said Norman Brinker, the names of Chili's Grill & Bar, said Steve Fenstermacher, On The chairman and chief executive offi- Grady's American Grill, Romano's Border's chief executive officer.

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Lorenzo brings in new investors, gives up controlling stake in ATX

Lorenzo said he's brought in new took Contintental into bankruptcy investors for his as-yet flightless court, voided its labor contracts airline - a carrier that has drawn and emerged with sharply lower protests from organized labor, costs. Eastern went out of busimembers of Congress and two ness after a crippling strike led by rejections by a Transportation the Machinists union. Department judge.

ter relationship with labor became of the new financing. a rallying cry against him by

investors, Lorenzo has reduced Atlanta. the stake held by him and his family to about 30 percent from 77 percent and given up control of be added to the schedule. the airline. Lorenzo, who said he was looking for new investors all along, contends he wasn't looking in the less congested airports of cism.

Either way, leaving Lorenzo out the air where they make money. of management and without a give his approval.

license seemed better if Lorenzo Coast airports. took a smaller role.

which has led the opposition to Lorenzo, was not impressed by his reduced role.

line," the union said in a statement. The union contends Loren- invested in the effort. zo has been quick to cut corners making money.

NEW YORK (AP) - Frank unions dating to 1983, when he

"The question is whether the The company now has \$15 mil- interests of historic emotion lion, but money was never the should overcome the need of conproblem for the low-fare airline, sumers in the eastern United tentatively named ATX Inc. The States," said Stephen Berger, problem, the critics say, is Loren- ATX's new chairman and a generzo. Eastern and Continental air- al partner in the New York investlines went into bankruptcy while ment firm Odyssey Partners. he was in charge and his often bit- Odyssey is providing \$5 million

ATX, which had at one point planned on calling itself Friend-But Tuesday's announcement ship Airlines, plans to initially fly may help ATX overcome the between Boston, Baltimore-Washopposition. By bringing in new ington International Airport and

Eventually, Philadelphia, Buffalo, N.Y., and New York City could

For many low-cost airlines, the biggest opportunities have come for outsiders to blunt the criti- the West, where they can get their jets off the ground quickly and in

ATX believes that with a motimajority stake in the airline stands vated work force it can apply to make it easier for Transporta- many of the same efficiencies on tion Secretary Federico Pena to the East Coast that contribute to the success of Southwest Airlines Lorenzo still represents the and are being copied by some of largest single stake and is one of the largest carriers. Some airline seven board members. But sources observers have been doubtful that close to ATX said the airline's a high efficiency airline could chances of getting a federal handle the delays at large East

Aside from Berger, who ran the The Air Line Pilots Association, New York airports from 1985 to 1990 as executive director of the Port Authority of New York an New Jersey, the new board also "The flying public cannot includes former New York Gov. afford another Frank Lorenzo air- Hugh Carey and former IBM chairman John Akers, who have

Stephen Kolski, who was a top when safety gets in the way of executive at Eastern under Lorenzo and president of Continental's The political pressure against commuter operation until last Lorenzo has been rooted in his year, will be president and chief contentious relationship with executive of the new airline.

Census Bureau says households in U.S. poorer by nearly \$5,000

By TIM BOVEE

Associated Press Writer

times and sagging real estate values pulled down the net worth of American households by 12 per- have so much less net worth cent - that's nearly \$5,000 apiece - because they haven't accumulated between 1988 and 1991, the gov- as much as white households, and ernment said Tuesday.

showed that in every category of Eller, the Census Bureau demograinvestment - real estate, retirement pher who wrote the report. and savings accounts - black families own less than white families.

recession that cost more than 1 million workers their jobs.

Falling real estate values caused much of the \$4,849 decline to net worth of \$5,345. Hispanics are \$36,623 in median net worth after a cultural group and can be of any prices of stocks, cars and trucks, similar to that of black Americans. and retirement accounts helped offset the losses.

Real estate was America's wealth was in a home, rental prop-

erty or other real-estate holdings. Savings accounts and other interest-earning accounts were the Households formed by married second biggest investment: 14 per-

The boom years of the 1980s did little to lift Americans' net worth. Households' median net worth in 1988, \$41,472, was little changed from the \$42,934 recorded in 1984. wealth. Geographically, the North-Both figures were adjusted for east was the richest part of Ameriinflation.

households had net worth - assets at \$26,775. The typical household minus liabilities - of more than in the West had net worth of \$41,472 and half had less.

Between 1988 and 1991, the net \$38,677. worth of the median white household plummeted \$5,796, while the huge difference in wealth. Housenet worth of black and Hispanic holds headed by people with four households changed little.

racial group remains a continent of school diploma, \$33,254.

plenty in a sea of want. The median white household was worth \$44,408. The median WASHINGTON (AP) - Hard black household was worth about a tenth of that: \$4,604

"Basically, black households that's due to differences in income The Census Bureau report also and earning power," said T.J.

Blacks' homes were worth less than two-thirds of whites', their The years covered by the report retirement accounts were worth included an eight-month economic only a third of whites', their savings in interest-earning accounts were worth one-fourth of whites'.

Hispanic households had median accounting for inflation. Rising race. Their investment pattern was

Some other averages from the census study: - Age brings wealth. House-

investment of choice. Fifty-four holds headed by people under 35 percent of the average household's were worth \$5,565; ages 35 to 44, \$31,148; 45 to 54, \$58,250; 54 to 64, \$83,041; and over 65, \$88,192.

- Marriage brings wealth. couples were typically worth \$60,065. Households headed by single men were worth \$11,986, and those headed by single women were worth \$14,762.

The right location brings ca, with median net worth of Median means that half the \$57,294. The South was poorest, \$39,735, and in the Midwest, of

- A college education makes a years of college or more were Even so, the nation's largest worth \$72,373; those with a high-

Who's your travel agent working for? You may be surprised

By DAN BLAKE **AP Business Writer**

Airlines are skimping on meals, laying off workers and buying fewer jets, but as they scour their businesses looking for the smallest savings, one expense - their third-largest - has been growing.

Travel agencies have been able to negotiate sweeter and sweeter deals with airlines willing to pay bigger commissions to agents who can deliver

While travel agents ostensibly work for the passenger, most have agreed to make one airline or another a "preferred provider." That airline, typically the biggest carrier in town, pays the travel agent a bonus if the agent steers more than a certain number of passengers its way.

The arrangements have put travel agents in an awkward position. They want to please clients to get repeat business, but they're tempted by bonuses that in many cases mean the difference between profit and loss.

"If all things are equal, price and schedule, of course you're going to go with the preferred American Society of Travel Agents and owner of VIP Travel Agency of Baytown, Texas.

While conceding she's sure that some travel agents do send customers to the bonus-paying airline even if it means a higher fare or longer flight, "I can't imagine in my wildest imagination somebody being dumb enough."

After years of guiding clients through the seemingly endless tumult in the airline industry, the relationship between travel agents and many of their clients is uniquely close. Their own integrity, agents say, is one of their most valuable assets.

The arrangement is much like the real estate agent who works for the seller, but drives potential buyers around town showing them houses and treating them like clients.

Unlike a real estate broker, the travel agent relies on repeat business. With little or no advertising budget, travel agents depend on their reputa-

tion and that, travel agents say, keeps them honest. Travel agents compare the arrangements to special deals big-volume retailers get from suppliers.

But travelers frequently rely on travel agents for the kind of advice they don't seek from the local grocer. Travelers want to know whether the new airline with a goofy name, but low fares, has a reputation for service and staying on schedule. Or whether the labor troubles at a big airline mean there's going to be a strike.

The bonuses sometimes put the travel agent in the position of doing what's best for the customer or what's best, at least in the short-term, for the

On domestic flights, the bonuses usually mean an extra 5 percent above the 10 percent base comis up only 3.4 percent.

mission. But on international flights, the bonuses are higher. Airlines split ticket revenue with certain agents on flights between the United States and Asia, for example.

United Airlines pays up to 40 percent commission to some Asian destinations. To attract interest

in its Portland-Seoul route, Delta Air Lines pays a 50 percent commission, about \$1,000 for a round-Travel agents who have signed up to handle the

travel for big business frequently pass those gers bonuses along to the corporate client. That's one way a big agency like Carlson Travel Network can offer General Electric Corp. fares 10 percent to 20 percent lower than it would otherwise pay.

American Express, which operates one of the biggest travel agency chains, usually passes along bonuses to big corporate clients as an incentive to keep the business.

But passengers with less clout rarely see the extra commissions.

"That's been a real sore point with customers that deal with travel agents," said one executive at a large international airline who spoke on condiprovider," said Earlene Causey, president of the tion of anonymity for fear of offending agents. "But it's a way to get more business. ... All the carriers support the travel agent system. You have to or you're dead."

> America West recently angered agents by urging customers to make reservations by calling the airline's toll-free telephone line. After travel agents complained that they were losing business, the airline added the standard tag line to its advertisements: "Call your travel agent."

More bluntly: "You have to bend over and kiss some booty," David Neeleman, president of Morris Air, which was recently bought by Southwest Airlines, said of the airline-travel agent relation-

An estimated 85 percent of all airline tickets are booked through travel agents. From the familyowned agency in the local mall to American Express, travel agents comprise an enormous sales and marketing staff for airlines.

Despite the increasing amount airlines pay for commissions and private griping by many airline executives, an official at one of the country's biggest airlines whose job is to court agents says

It would be even more expensive for the airline to distribute tickets itself through field offices and electronic transactions, the executive said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Adjusted for passenger growth and inflation, travel agent commissions have grown 9.5 percent since the airlines first started showing signs of serious financial trouble in 1989. By comparison, the inflation-adjusted average wage, including benefits, for employees who still have airline jobs

. The Justice Department wants to know whether big airlines are using the extra commissions to entrench themselves at their hub airports and stave off new competition.

The government is looking only at Delta in Salt Lake City, but airline industry executives say the bonuses have become a standard way of increasing commissions that otherwise would languish with low ticket prices. At the same time, the bonuses reward favorite agencies for sending them passen-

The bonuses, called override commissions in the business, are paid when a travel agent in Salt Lake books more than Delta's normal market share. Once that threshold is crossed, any Delta tickets the travel agent books mean a bonus.

Some suggest that if travel agents charge customers directly for their services, rather than depend on the incentives of airlines, appearances of any conflict could be erased.

But, the agents point out, airlines would have to charge customers a similar fee. Otherwise, many passengers would likely skip travel agents altogether and force airlines to increase the money they spend distributing tickets.

A 12-year old with a computer, modem, the right telephone number and mom's charge card can book round-trip tickets for two to Aruba in minutes without calling a travel agent.

But the home computer and on-line services like Compuserve or Prodigy haven't replaced travel agents. If the future is in interactive television, travel agents say they'll need to focus even more on providing a service that travelers want and

"We have to provide some level of service they can't get from a wired box," Travis Tanner, president of Carlson Travel Network, one of the country's largest agency chains, said in a recent speech to travel executives.

Whether it's a travel channel that allows viewers to call up video of a potential vacation spot and make reservations, or an on-screen chat with the travel agent, the industry is hoping to use the tech-

"The same kind of thing that happened when (computerized reservation systems) came in. People said (travelers) are going to bypass us, but it made us grow," said Earlene Causey, head of the American Society of Travel Agents and owner of

The big chains probably are in the best position to exploit the new technology. Smaller agencies, like Causey's, need to pull together into groups that can make their services available on interac-

VIP Travel Agency of Baytown, Texas.

"Maybe 10 years from now, there will be less brick and mortar and we'll join with clients on interactive television," she said.





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By Mark Cullum | AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you might have trouble determining what constitutes a good deal. If you're doing all the giving and your counterpart is doing all the taking, it's time to go back to the drawing board. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465. New York, N. Y. 10163. Be sure to

state your zodiac sign. PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be optimistic and hopeful today, but also be realistic and certain your expectations are founded upon doable premises. If not, disappointment will

fill the vacuum. ARIES (March 21-April 19) In a social development today you might be exposed to a little clique whose members think they're superior to others. This is definitely a group with which you do not want to become involved.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't lessen your high standards today if you have to deal with persons who operate on a lower level. Right will eventually prevail if you're steadfast.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Usually you're a rather easy person to get along with, but today you might be a trifle contrary and challenge everything others say or do. CANCER (June 21-July 22) Situations

pertaining to your material well being are hot spots today that must be handled with asbestos gloves. Be both prudent and cautious in all your financial affairs. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Issue and opinions

which are important to you today might not be of equal significance to persons with whom you'll be associated. If you keep this in mind, you'll not be caught off guard. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Circumstances

might force you to pay more attention today to tasks or assignments you may consider unpleasant. If you resist, it could make matters worse. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Someone in your peer group might do something today

you'll consider dishonorable or stupid. Let others participate if they choose to, but you stay out of it. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If persons in your household appear to be rebellious

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By Larry Wright



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