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PAMPA — State fire marshal investigators are expected this week to sift through the ruins of a mobile home destroyed in a weekend blaze.

Jess Wallace of the Gray County Sheriff's Office said the state officials should arrive Tuesday to investigate the Saturday morning fire that destroyed a mobile home at 501 N. Rider owned by David Helms of Pampa.

Four units of the Pampa Fire Department and 13 firefighters were called to the mobile home about 1 a.m. Saturday. Authorities reported that the mobile home was engulfed in flames when they arrived. No injuries were reported in the blaze.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress' leading Whitewater critic says he cannot conclude two top White House aides acted illegally when they complained to a Treasury official about the hiring of a former GOP prosecutor in the Whitewater case.

"The White House may have made a mistake, but I think it'd be premature to draw any extraordinary conclusions," Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"It's natural that they would be upset" with a decision by the Resolution Trust Corp. to retain former U.S. Attorney Jay B. Stephens to investigate the failed Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, Leach said of senior White House aides Harold Ickes and George Stephanopoulos.

However, "it was probably a mistake to convey this in a way that may or may not have implied trying to release him (Stephens) from this job," Leach said of the Feb. 25 call from Stephanopoulos and Ickes to Deputy Treasury Secretary Roger Altman.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Artistic freedom is under attack from both the right and the left, and such challenges often have the "chilling effect" of goading artists into censoring themselves, a civil liberties group says.

Objections to controversial art no longer grab national headlines, but they are proliferating at the local level, according to "Artistic Freedom Under Attack, Volume 2," a report released today by People for the American Way.

In 63 percent of the 204 incidents described in the report, challengers succeeded in getting artwork removed permanently or temporarily, restricting the public's access to it, having it covered up or altered, cutting funding for an artist or arts organization or canceling a planned exhibit.

Artists sometimes go along to get along, it said.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Celeste Morello has an offer you can't refuse — the chance to walk the rough-and-tumble streets of South Philadelphia and learn the real story of organized crime.

Tired of the stereotypes, Morello — great-granddaughter of a Sicilian "man of honor" — offers a glimpse of history most Independence Hall tourists never see.

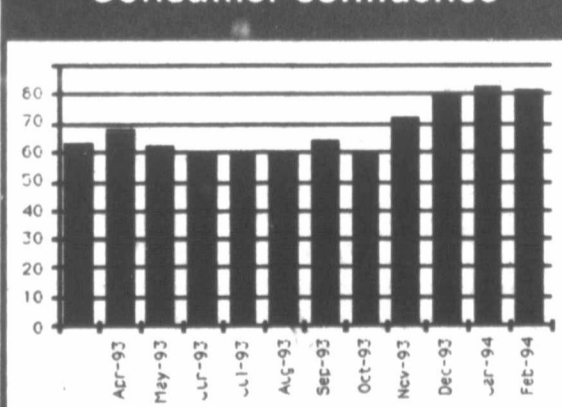
Her Organized Crime Tour points out that the Irish and Eastern European Jews ran Philadelphia mobs long before La Cosa Nostra came along.

"I want people to realize that organized crime is universal. It's not just the Italians and Sicilians," says Morello, 35, a historian and criminologist who wrote her master's thesis on South Philadelphia's crime heritage.

Hers is a tale of poor immigrants in an insular neighborhood that bred familiarity and contempt. It's laced with memories of the turn-of-the-century Mafia that prided itself on honor and, Morello says, was less a gang than an ethnic Elks Club with a mean streak.

Most of all, it's a tale of lost lives.

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State GOP secretary, allies walkout

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Led by Texas Republican Party Secretary Diane Rath, traditional GOPs in Bexar County tried fighting a rise by so-called Christian-right activists at a weekend senatorial gathering.

Ms. Rath led a walkout at the District 26 gathering Saturday to protest what she considered an overpowering by members of the Christian Coalition, who

prefer to be considered social conservatives. Party activists met throughout Texas on Saturday to select delegates to June's state convention in Fort Worth.

Ms. Rath said Christian Coalition operatives acted in bad faith during the negotiations on state delegates and backed away from an earlier pledge.

Don Rodig, chairman of the Christian Coalition of Bexar

County, refuted the allegation, saying he had not agreed to the delegate list introduced by allies of Ms. Rath.

He said the group wouldn't accept less than 60 percent of the state delegates because it displayed more than 60 percent of the convention's voting strength.

"I respect Diane. She fights for what she believes in. But that doesn't mean it is right,"

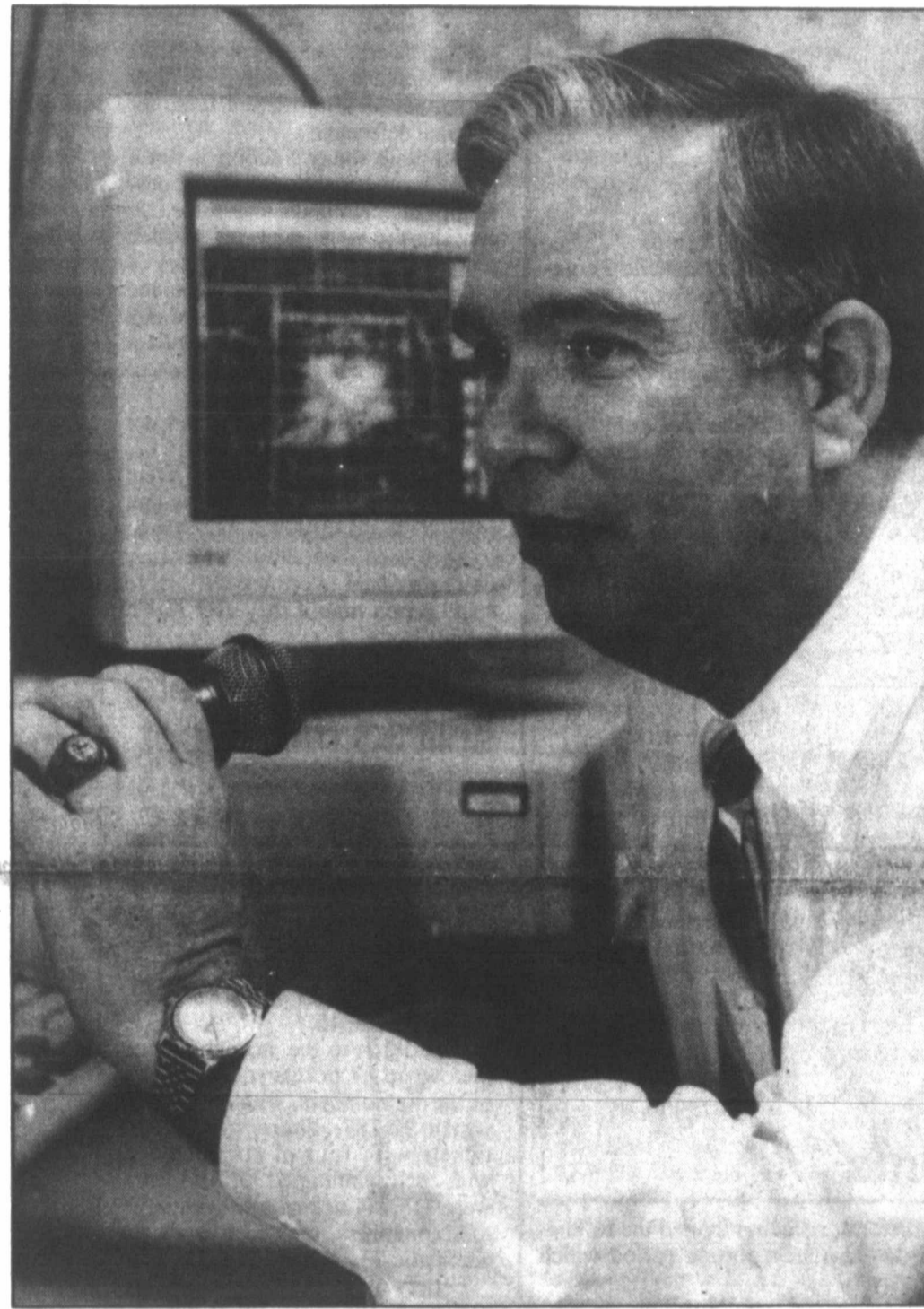
Rodig told the San Antonio Express-News. The walkout occurred only minutes after U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, a Republican, called for party unity.

Rath supporter District 26 convention Chairman George Rawlings began the walkout by resigning his post.

Ms. Rath has grown into a Texas GOP stalwart since becoming a member of the State Republican Executive Committee in 1982. In recent years, she's earned a reputation as a tough, effective political operator in ruling her Senate district conventions.

Although Ms. Rath was included on the delegate list passed by the convention after the walkout, she said she plans to focus on helping Hutchison and gubernatorial candidate George W. Bush get elected.

Panhandle prepares for storm season



Pampa Emergency Management Coordinator Ken Hall was in his command post at City Hall today following storms that moved across the Southeastern U.S. Sunday spawning tornadoes that killed more than 40 people. (Pampa News photo)

Storms sweep Southeast; at least 42 reported dead

Local weather watchers gear up for Spring

Reports of failed severe weather warning systems in the outbreak of deadly tornadoes Sunday in the Southeast highlight the system's importance.

Pampa Emergency Management Coordinator Ken Hall said officials will activate the system if Amarillo weather radar confirms the formation of a funnel cloud or tornado.

City Secretary Alesha Moffett said Mobeetie's volunteer fire department will even go through city streets to help put out take cover warnings.

Some city governments, including Pampa and McLean, can interrupt cable television programming to give warnings. Wheeler is among the cities with a cable channel under local control dedicated to displaying weather radar.

By JAY REEVES
Associated Press Writer

PIEDMONT, Ala. (AP) — A colorful Easter Week pageant turned into a horror show when a tornado rained bricks on a crowded country church, killing at least 19 people. A band of storms claimed 42 lives in all as it pounded the Southeast.

Deadly twisters and violent thunderstorms battered churches, hundreds of houses and a nursing home on Palm Sunday. Twenty-three people were killed in Alabama, 16 in Georgia, two in North Carolina and one in Tennessee.

Rain fell in the Southeast early today. Heavy showers and thunderstorms were in the forecast for the region, with hail and tornadoes possible from central Florida across Georgia and into the Carolinas.

The Goshen United Methodist Church was devastated in seconds. The pageant and the start of Holy Week had attracted 140 people, far more than the usual congregation of 50. Ninety people were injured — many of them trapped in the rubble for as long as an hour.

"The power had gone off, but everyone just kept singing," said Carol Scroggin, who was at the altar leading the drama when the storm struck at about 11:30 a.m. "Nobody had a chance to do anything. It was so quick."

Christa Rhinchart, 16, remem-

bered the song "Jehovah Jireh" filling the air one minute. The next minute, debris began flying through windows, a brick wall crumbled inward and the ceiling crashed down around her. Bricks were slung through the air like balls, hitting victims in the head or covering them in heaps.



A police officer inspects a Piedmont, Ala., church destroyed in a Sunday tornado. (AP photo)

At least seven children were killed. Mrs. Scroggin said many youngsters were seated beside the wall, waiting their turn to sing in the pageant.

A huge yellow crane lifted the roof so rescuers could remove 16 bodies from the wreckage. Two other worshippers died later, and a man was killed in a van outside the church.

Twisters damaged two other churches within 30 miles of Piedmont.

Chaos and shooting deaths as Zulus rally

By TOM COHEN
Associated Press Writer

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Chaos hit the heart of Johannesburg today when gunmen, including guards at ANC headquarters, fired at hundreds of spear-wielding Zulus marching to protest South Africa's first all-race election.

Witnesses and police reported as many as 28 deaths from black factional clashes downtown and in outlying areas.

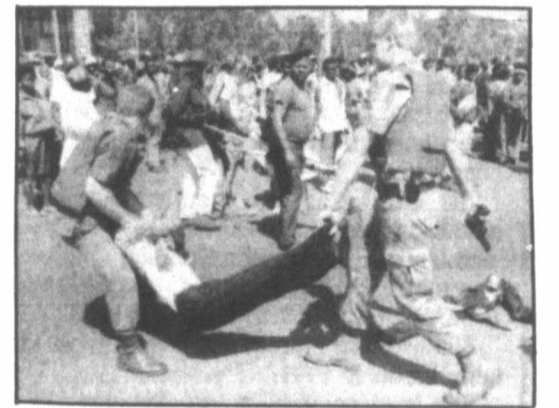
In the worst incident, African National Congress guards shot into a crowd of Zulus that an ANC spokesman claimed tried to storm the ANC's national headquarters. A witness said he saw nine bodies.

A month before the election, the bloodshed was a turning point in the country's political warfare. It was the first time serious violence that has plagued the country's black townships for years moved into South Africa's biggest city.

Many stores did not open today because of fears the Zulus' marches would bring

violence, and traffic was much lighter than normal.

What had been planned as a show of force by Zulu nationalists quickly deteriorated into chaos when snipers with hand-



Police remove a man shot today as Zulu supporters rallied in Johannesburg prior to next month's elections. (AP photo)

guns and assault rifles blasted away from rooftops.

The Zulus, opposed to the April 26-28 election that is expected to put the ANC in power, waved spears and other traditional weapons as they streamed past the ANC's national headquarters in a building known as Shell House.

ANC spokesman Carl Niehaus confirmed the shootings but said Zulu marchers fired first and tried to storm the building. He acknowledged ANC guards killed some people but gave no figure. No one in the building was injured.

Carjacking renews alarm in Japan over violence in America

By ELAINE KURTENBACH
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO (AP) — On behalf of President Clinton, the U.S. ambassador apologized today for the slaying of two Japanese students by a carjacker in California, an attack that has renewed alarm in Japan over violence in America.

The Friday night shootings remained top news today in Japan, where the United States increasingly is viewed as a lawless, dangerous place to live and travel.

"Gun Society ... Another Tragedy, in Los Angeles," said a headline in the newspaper Sankei Sports. "For a Car?"

Takuma Ito, a Japanese citizen, and Go Matsuura, a U.S. citizen who grew up in Japan, were both shot in the head. They died late Sunday at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center.

As the parents of the critically

injured 19-year-olds made the agonizing decision to remove them from life support systems and let them die, back in Tokyo, U.S. Ambassador Walter F. Mondale took the unusual step of issuing a formal apology.

"The American people deplore this senseless act of criminal violence, and we share in the sorrow of the Japanese people," Mondale said in a statement issued on Clinton's behalf. "I deeply apologize."

With relations already strained by a thorny trade dispute, Mondale sought to assuage anger over the killings, thrice urging that they be used to draw the two nations closer, rather than divide them.

The deaths revived fears that flared after Yoshihiro Hattog, a Japanese high school student, was fatally shot in Baton Rouge, La., in 1992 when he went to the wrong house while looking for a Halloween party.

Something different for the Easter basket

ROCKVILLE, Md. (AP) — Traditionally, rabbits get all the attention at Easter time, outmuscling other rodents for the affections of chocolate lovers. This year, there's an alternative — chocolate bats.

With peanut butter ears. "We've been trying to do things that will help people perceive bats in a different light," said Heidi Hughes, a volunteer for the Bat Hotline.

The Easter Bat idea came from Tom Valego, president of the Rockville-based American Bat Conservation Society. The group hired Silver Spring sculptor George Carr to design the bat and a confectioner Tom Wilbur of Portland, Maine, to make them edible.

"We're out of stock right now," Ms. Hughes said. "We're totally overwhelmed with sales."

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

O'LOUGHLIN, Mary Ellen — Rosary, 7:30 p.m., St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Panhandle.

Obituaries

RICHARD CHRISTOPHER

CANADIAN — Richard "Dick" Christopher, 66, a former Canadian resident, died Saturday, March 26, 1994 in Shattuck, Okla. Services were to be at 3 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church with James Steenbergen, pastor of Crown Heights Baptist Church of Woodward, Okla., and the Rev. Jesse Hodge, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Edith Ford Cemetery by Stickle-Hill Funeral Directors.

Mr. Christopher was born in Redwater. He married Patricia Wyatt in 1960 at Carlsbad, N.M. They moved to Woodward in 1960 and lived there until 1973. They moved to Canadian in 1975 and returned to Woodward in 1983. Mr. Christopher was a welder and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; his mother, Elsie Christopher of Del Rio; a son, Terry Charmasson of Victoria; four daughters, Becky Wilson, Cheryl Campbell, Jean Pickens and Rhonda Gallagher, all of Canadian; four brothers, Royce Christopher of Woodward, Jerry Christopher of Del Rio, Russell Christopher Big Spring and Ray Christopher of Odessa; four sisters, Sybil Inge of Odessa, Willie Pearl Christopher of Colinga, Calif., Doris Billingsley of Hugo, Okla., and Vivian McElyea of Odessa; and 10 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

MARY ELLEN O'LOUGHLIN

MIAMI — Mary Ellen O'Loughlin, 92, died Saturday, March 26, 1994 in Panhandle. Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Panhandle. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Panhandle with Father Gary Sides, pastor, officiating. Graveside services and burial will follow at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Miami Cemetery in Miami under the direction of Minton-Chatwell Funeral Home in Panhandle.

Ms. O'Loughlin was a native of Atchinson, Kan., and had lived in Panhandle since 1991. She was a member of St. Vincent's Catholic Church in Pampa. She married Thomas Earl O'Loughlin on July 24, 1932; he preceded her in death in 1950.

She was also preceded in death by her sister, Elizabeth Warde, in 1991.

She is survived by a son, Thomas O'Loughlin of Miami; a daughter, Sarah Daley of Panama City, Fla.; a brother, Tom Horner of Spring Valley, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to the Roberts County Museum, to St. Ann's Nursing Home in Panhandle or to a favorite charity.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents and arrests in the 40-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, March 26

David Helms, 501 N. Rider, reported fire information.

SUNDAY, March 27

Allsup's, Price Road and Texas 152, reported theft \$20-\$200.

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported a driving while intoxicated incident at Jordan and Red Deer.

Norris Ray Tollerson, 1065 Perry, reported theft \$20-\$200.

Arrests

SUNDAY, March 27

Steven Wilson Rivera, 28, 1112 Sandlewood, was arrested on a charge of theft \$20-\$200. He was released on bond.

John Edward Shackleford, 26, 401 N. Christy, was arrested on a charge of theft \$20-\$200. He was released on bond.

Peter Scott Lyman, 22, 424 Red Deer, was arrested on a charge of theft \$20-\$200. He was released on bond.

Stocks

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

Wheat	3.07
Milo	4.39
Com.	5.01

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

Serico	4 1/4	up 1/8
Occidental	17 1/4	NC

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

Magellan	72.90
Puritan	15.93

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

Amoco	53 3/4	dn 3/4
Arco	98 7/8	dn 2 1/8
Cabot	56 3/8	up 7/8
Cabot O&G	21	dn 1/2

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents in the 40-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, March 26

Dale Cortez Burns, 1001 E. Kingsmill, reported criminal mischief.

SUNDAY, March 27

Roger Wade Browning, 722 Roberta, reported burglary of a habitation.

Byron Lynn Bezner, 1605 N. Dwight, reported theft at Topographic Land Surveyors, 2225 Perryton Parkway.

Leon Higgins, 712 Naida, reported forgery at 1106 Alcock.

Ronnie Thurman Stapleton, 903 N. Somerville, reported criminal mischief at 612 E. Frederic.

Patrick Hendrick, 1015 E. Browning, reported criminal mischief to LTB Trucking, 1345 Starkweather. The offense occurred at Browning and Rose.

Marvin Eugene Jackson, Bay City, reported attempted burglary at 1064 Vamon Dr.

Arrests

SUNDAY, March 27

Jose Rico Rodriguez, 24, 405 Davis, was arrested at Zimmers and Gwendolen on a warrant.

Juan Carlos Silva, 20, 208 Eshom, was arrested in the 700 block of Zimmers on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions

Friday Pampa

John M. Carpenter
Susan Michelle Furgason

Friday Pampa

Audrey Ethel Stewart
Precious M. Williams
Glenis Jenkins (extended care)

Saturday Pampa

Herbert James Taylor (extended care)
Claudie F. Tennison (extended care)

White Deer

Oral Kenneth Paslay

Amarillo

Maxine Marie Fulton

Saturday Pampa

Alice Appleton
Jovita O. Martinez
Bonnie C. Stuckey

Sunday Pampa

Ethel G. Willson

Canadian

Marilyn Gale Smith

Births

Friday

To Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Scott Fulton of Amarillo, a baby girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Dean Furgason of Pampa, a baby girl.

Sunday

To Mr. and Mrs. Gilford Smith of Canadian, a baby girl

Dismissals

Friday Pampa

Stephanie Beard and baby boy

Dulsa R. Carver

Glenis Jenkins

Herbert Taylor

Claudie F. Tennison

Saturday Pampa

Susan Michelle Fergason and baby girl

Mary Ethel Coombes

Etta L. Crisler

Sunday Pampa

Connie M. Germany

Robert Lynn Hampton

Shirley Faye Hoskins

James T. Mann

William Pat Massey

Precious M. Williams

McLean

John M. Carpenter

Skellytown

Willie Mae Cooper

Amarillo

Maxine Marie Fulton

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Admissions

Friday

Shamrock

Willie Pearl Clay

Sunday

Shamrock

Orbie Offutt

Lottie Sutton

Chele Davis

Dismissal

Saturday

Shamrock

Willie Pearl Clay

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 72-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

FRIDAY, March 25

8:05 a.m. — A 1971 Plymouth driven by Sean Ashley Cook, 16, 2429 Cherokee, was in collision with a 1987 Toyota driven by Calvin Kent Follis, 46, 2633 Fir, in the 200 block of East Harvester. Cook was cited for following too closely. Follis was transported to Coronado Hospital, where he was treated and released.

8:45 a.m. — A 1993 Chrysler driven by Morgan Frank Demaroney, 65, 805 S. Barnes, was in collision with a fire hydrant owned by the city of Pampa at the intersection of 23rd and North Williston. No injuries were reported and no citations issued.

1:30 p.m. — A 1984 Chrysler driven by Connie Elaine Helms, 30, 603 E. Foster, was in collision with a 1991 Geo driven by Kenneth Roy Kossey, 33, 209 S. Nelson, at the intersection of North Duncan and East Kentucky. Helms was cited for failure to stop at an intersection and having an expired driver's license. No injuries were reported.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following call in the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. this morning.

SATURDAY, March 26

7:33 p.m. — Three units and seven firefighters responded to a good intent call at 1101 N. Hobart.

Supreme Court justices refuse to hear appeal of cross burners in Illinois case

By RICHARD CARELLI
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today left intact a ruling that let federal prosecutors use an anti-arson law against cross burners.

The justices, without comment, refused to hear the appeal of two men convicted of burning crosses at the Keeneyville, Ill., home of a white couple who had entertained black guests over Labor Day weekend in 1989.

The men also had mounted a free-speech challenge to use of a federal law banning interference with housing rights to prosecute cross burners. Justice Department lawyers did not oppose the two men's appeal, saying both cross-burning issues "are likely to arise frequently in the future" and that federal appeals courts need some guidance.

William Krause and Kenneth Hayward burned two large, wooden crosses in the front yard of Bob and Mary Jones' home to underscore their displeasure of blacks being in

Keeneyville, a semirural, all-white town west of Chicago.

They were convicted of various federal crimes, including using fire to commit a felony and interfering with housing rights by force or threat.

Krause was sentenced to 12 years and nine months in prison; Hayward to 6 1/2 years. The arson conviction carried a five-year sentence for each man; the housing rights conviction, a one-year sentence.

The 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the convictions. The appeals court rejected both men's arguments that the anti-arson law doesn't apply to cross burnings and that prosecuting them under the housing rights law violated their free-speech rights.

The anti-arson law, making use of fire in a felony crime, "is not restricted solely to arson cases," the appeals court ruled.

Of the second argument, the 7th Circuit court said: "Some forms of expression, in this case cross burning used to intimidate, are harmful and damaging to others and, as such,

do not enjoy the protecting cover of speech in the constitutional sense."

Krause and Hayward then appealed to the nation's highest court. Government lawyers, although saying the appeals court ruling was correct, urged the justices to take the case.

Another appeals court has ruled that the anti-arson law does not apply to cross burnings and "substantial uncertainty" exists in lower courts regarding the legal protection for some forms of expressive conduct, the government lawyers said. They urged the Supreme Court to make clear that such prosecutions are valid.

"For more than a century, the burning cross has been used a symbol of terror," they said. "In the last decade, cross burnings are still occurring with alarming frequency. When a cross is burned with the intent to threaten or intimidate those who are exercising their federally guaranteed rights, the United States is determined to prosecute those responsible."

The case is Hayward vs. U.S., 93-1063.

High court allows states to abolish insanity defense

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today let states abolish the insanity defense.

The justices, without comment, let stand Montana's abolition in 1979 of insanity as an affirmative defense for criminal defendants.

Although today's action is not a ruling and does not preclude the possibility the high court may some day consider the issue, states are left free to follow Montana's lead.

Only two other states — Idaho and Utah — have similarly eliminated any possibility of a criminal defendant being found not guilty by reason of insanity.

Congress considered, but did not enact, similar legislation.

Many states have adopted in recent years "guilty but insane" laws that make it more likely even those found to have been mentally ill when they committed their crimes will serve some prison time if they ever regain sanity.

Joe Junior Cowan, described as a paranoid schizophrenic with a history of mental health treatments in his native North Carolina, was convicted and given a 60-year sentence for assaulting a U.S. Forest Service employee in Missoula County, Mont.

Prosecutors said Cowan attacked Maggie Doherty on April 24, 1990, after she returned to her residence at the remote Lolo Work Center. Cowan, who beat Doherty unconscious, was convicted of attempted deliberate homicide.

His lawyers said he attacked Doherty "while in the throes of psychotic delusion."

Initially found mentally incompetent, Cowan was treated with mind-altering drugs. He later was ruled competent to stand trial.

His conviction was upheld by a 5-2 vote of the Montana Supreme Court, which rejected a challenge to the state's abolition of an insanity defense.

The state court noted that Cowan's mental illness was taken into account when determining at trial whether he deliberately committed the crime and again when he was sentenced.

The state court said Cowan's 60-year sentence did not necessarily have to be served out in a prison if it was determined that his mental illness would be better treated at another facility.

The state court's two dissenters said Montana's abolition of the insanity defense violates defendants' constitutionally guaranteed due-process rights.

In the appeal acted on today, lawyers for Cowan called the state proceedings against him "nothing but a cruel joke" because his insanity left him without any criminal culpability.

Montana prosecutors urged the justices to reject Cowan's appeal. They relied on past Supreme Court rulings that said states don't have to use any particular insanity test.

Two Lotto winners split \$3 million pot

By The Associated Press

Two tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The tickets are worth a total of \$3 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 12, 17, 26, 40, 41, 46.

In addition to the jackpot winner, there were 87 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$2,287. There were 5,522 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning \$130. And there were 115,784 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic \$3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$3 million.

Sales from May 28, 1992, to Saturday's draw are more than \$4 billion.

"That's an average of better than \$42 million a week," said Nora Linares, executive director of the Texas Lottery Commission.

Israel, PLO to resume negotiations

JERUSALEM (AP) — Negotiations on Palestinian autonomy that were halted by the Hebron mosque massacre are likely to resume this week, reports said today.

Symbolic steps toward an Israeli troop withdrawal also are expected, aimed at making visible changes that would shore up flagging support among Palestinians for the Israel-PLO accord.

Israel is dismantling some army bases in the Gaza Strip, an Israeli official said on condition of anonymity.

"There is a pullout from Gaza but nothing will be declared or seen publicly," until after an agreement is signed, the official said.

But he said Israel agreed to try to meet Palestine Liberation Organization demands for signing an agreement by April 13.

Asked about the reports, Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin would not specify a date for reaching agreement or starting a withdrawal. But he told the radio there was "definitely a very deep common interest here to end the talks as quickly as possible."

Beilin added that "getting out of Gaza is a very central national interest." He said implementing the Sept. 13 peace accord with the PLO would improve the PLO's stature against extremist groups opposed to the agreement.

The April 13 target date for finishing the talks was the date that Palestinian autonomy in the Gaza Strip and the Jericho area of the West Bank was to have begun under the original schedule.

But there were expectations it would be delayed because of a postponement of past deadlines, namely a Dec. 13 date set for starting an Israeli troop withdrawal.

Still delaying the negotiations over Gaza and Jericho are differences over new security measures for the town of Hebron, demanded by the Palestinians following the Feb. 25 massacre of 30 Muslim worshippers by a Jewish settler.

Arab schools reopened today in Hebron for the first time since the massacre, and soldiers clashed with children who blocked roads with burning tires and threw stones.

City briefs

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FINAL WEEK of Jesus, by Max Lucado, beautifully illustrated book. Also for Easter, "Forgiven" nail lapel pins, bookmarks and children's books. The Gift Box Christian Bookstore, 117 W. Kingsmill. Adv.

COME JOIN the fun at the MS Rally, March 31st at 7 p.m. at Malcolm Hinkle Inc. (The Super Cities Walk) to be held April 9 in Canadian. For more information, 665-1841. Adv.

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Education commissioner: State exporting doctors

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Hundreds of Texas-educated medical school graduates have left the state for residency programs in other parts of the country, taking with them knowledge gained in a \$250,000 program partially funded by taxpayers.

Although residencies are traditional training grounds for young doctors, state officials said few return to practice in Texas.

"We're subsidizing other states by exporting more medical doctors than decide to practice in the state of Texas," State Higher Education Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth said.

"We spend \$250,000 per student in our medical school and then states like California attract them with their residency programs," he said. "They do their residency out there and get

established and tend to stay."

As a result, not many are settling in South Texas, where almost a third of the doctors are nearing retirement age. The region has about half the number of doctors, dentists and nurses for each 100,000 people as the rest of Texas.

South Texas has only 6 percent of the state's doctors, but has 18 percent of its population, 1993 figures show. There are only 66 doctors for every 100,000 South Texans, compared with 93 for every 100,000 Texans and 105 for every 100,000 U.S. citizens.

Some residents say South Texas deserves a health science center or medical school and that the state should shift its priorities to make sure it gets one.

Others have urged expanded medi-

cal education, including more South Texas residency programs designed to attract future doctors to the region.

Brady bill fails to receive the usual Texas welcome for a stranger

By LAURA TOLLEY
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — The Brady Bill came to Texas a month ago looking to bring its own brand of order to the way Lone Star residents buy handguns.

But the new stranger in town hasn't received the traditional Texas welcome.

"I hate it!" gripes Cindy Smith, an Alvin resident.

"It's taking our rights away. We have the right to bear arms," says gun-owner Brenda Lege of nearby Dayton. "You don't want to depend on other people to defend you here in Texas."

This is the state where the most honored souls are those who fought and died for independence at The Alamo. Texans love their freedom, and they have a long history of fighting those who try to mess with it.

Enter the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act, which took effect Feb. 28. It requires the state's estimated 21,605 federally licensed gun dealers to run background checks on anyone trying to buy a handgun.

A month later, law enforcement agencies across Texas are struggling with the extra

work needed to complete the checks while gun dealers are handling questions from a confused public and buyers are mad for many reasons.

Opposition to the bill seems to often stem from the belief that the bill is causing much work but won't do much to reduce crime.

"Criminals can just buy them off the street," says Houstonian Robert Dodd. "Criminals are not going to go into gun stores. The way they're going about it is not going to hurt anybody but law-abiding citizens."

Gun dealers now must require would-be buyers to fill out an application that is then submitted to local law enforcement agencies to check.

The new task is proving to be a strain for many departments.

In the first two weeks, the Houston Police Department received 1,306 applications and denied 150. Police said the applications generally were rejected because of criminal records or outstanding municipal warrants.

"We've got additional personnel dedicated to this responsibility," says police spokesman Rick Hartley. "It's taxing the identification

division — 700 is quite a few to take in in just a week."

The scenario is similar across the state. "We are holding our own," said Sgt. Larry Cisneros, commander of the San Antonio Police Department's identification bureau, who handles the new load with a few others.

Between Feb. 28 and March 18, the division tossed out 31 of 849 applications, including one from a man wanted on an outstanding charge.

The Dallas Police Department refused 95 of 1,286 applications received in two weeks.

In West Texas, Lubbock police denied nine of the 109 applications. But police there say they have encountered few problems with the new bill.

"The computers have just been doing great — they have had a lot of speed," said Drue Jeffcoat, Lubbock police records supervisor. "It's going a lot better than I expected."

Austin, however, cannot boast the same.

"It's going pretty slowly. We're getting some of the stuff out, but some of it's not getting done by the five days," says Austin Police Department Lt. John Boyd.

Among the other problems, San Antonio's Cisneros says, is if a background check

reveals someone has a felony record in another state, it sometimes takes more than five days to begin the process to verify a conviction.

"So we flat reject them," Cisneros says. "The law is very clear that the burden of proof is on the purchaser of the gun."

Earlier this year, gun sales soared at some stores as people rushed to buy handguns before the bill took over. Now, dealers are busy handling more paperwork and questions from a confused public.

"It's a typical situation where big government passes a law and lets the people sort it out," says Bill Carter Sr.

Carter owns Carter's Country, a group of four area stores that boasts of being the largest independent gun dealer in the nation — or at least in Texas, which is what Carter good-naturedly says is more important.

Carter predicts a slight period of adjustment as employees come to grips with the added paperwork.

"There's no real decline in interest, just a lot of griping," he adds.

"Firearms are a family thing in Texas. ... It's a big part of their freedom and they resent losing their freedom."

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A D.E.A.R. pirate



Marla McGill, second grade teacher at Lamar Elementary School, shows off her pirate makeup and gear Friday while dressing up for the D.E.A.R. Day activities — Drop Everything And Read. At left, McGill, portraying a character in a book that was read to the class, listens with the students as volunteer reader Rebecca Stroud, sitting at right, reads to the class. On D.E.A.R. Day, students were allowed to wear comfortable clothing and to bring blankets and pillows for the reading activities throughout the day. The Lamar Booster Club also sponsored a Recycled Book Fair as part of the day's events. (Pampa News photos by Darlene Holmes)

Lobbyists a favorite target for reformers in legislatures

By JIM DRINKARD
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's not just Congress that is rushing to slap limits on the meals, trips, gifts and golf outings that lobbyists give lawmakers. In state capitols across the country, legislatures are doing the same, propelled by an angry public, increased media attention and a series of scandals.

"It's an issue whose time has come, and is still coming," said Alan Rosenthal, who writes about government ethics at Rutgers University's Eagleton Institute of Politics.

"The public mood is very negative toward people in elective office ... Lobbyists are easy targets." Highly restrictive laws are the result, "even in the most unlikely places like Minnesota, which is about as clean as you can be," Rosenthal said.

Soon after Congress returns from its two-week spring recess, House and Senate negotiators will meet to draw up a compromise between a lobbyist-gift regulation bill the Senate approved last year, and one the House passed last week.

Both would greatly broaden the definition of what a lobbyist is, requiring far more people to register and disclose their activities than the roughly 8,000 who do so under the current, loophole-riddled statute.

What has attracted the most attention, however, are provisions in both bills that would rein in the perks lawmakers sometimes get from lobbyists: fancy meals, gifts, sports and theater tickets and trips to resorts for activities like golf, tennis and skiing.

"Many of those trips have turned out to be plain, old-fashioned free vacations," said Rep. John Bryant, D-Texas, the main House sponsor of the reform bill.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., the bill's primary Senate backer, said "there is real momentum here to do something" and predicted final action soon.

"The public is understandably perplexed," Levin said. "They want us to rein in the special interests. They want to know who's paying who how

much to lobby this place, and on what issues."

Driving the public mood is a realization that lobbyists have gotten better at what they do, said Rep. Eric Fingerhut, a freshman Democrat from Ohio who used to fight the same battle as a state Common Cause official.

"They feel that they have less access to their legislators than professional lobbyists do," Fingerhut said. "The lobbyists are like lawyers in the courtroom of the legislature. We're the judges. You wouldn't have lawyers giving gifts to the judges."

Evidence of this mood can be found across the political map:

— In Ohio, a law that takes effect May 12 will ban legislators from accepting speaking fees or taking more than \$75 a year from lobbyists for food and beverages.

— Minnesota enacted a strict law this month that bans just about every lobbyist-offered perk for lawmakers and other public officials, right down to a cup of coffee. Like the bill before Congress, it began as a disclosure requirement but grew to include a ban on free food, sports tickets and ski trips.

— A bill working its way through the Maryland Legislature would close a loophole that lets lobbyists with multiple clients escape reporting requirements by dividing the costs of lawmakers' meals among their different employers. One lobbyist spent \$140,000 last year entertaining legislators without disclosing a single name.

— In Kentucky, South Carolina and Arizona, recent scandals prompted enactment of laws tightening regulation of lobbyists and their gift-giving to lawmakers.

Similar actions have been taken in Iowa, Mississippi, Vermont and New Mexico. In all, 35 states now have some kind of restrictions on receipt of gifts by public officials, and it has led to a change of cultures in many state capitols where dining and wine had become a way of life.

Said Rutgers' Rosenthal: "Standards have changed. The bar has been raised."

Shrimpers protest plastics plant discharges

HOUSTON (AP) — Shrimpers angered by a plastics plant's waste water discharges have protested new expansion plans, with an environmentalist vowing to sink her boat as a symbol of Lavaca Bay's plight.

The U.S. Coast Guard boarded Diane Wilson's 42-foot shrimp boat Saturday and conducted a two-hour inspection, then warned her she could face criminal and civil penalties if she sank her boat in protest of Formosa Plastics Corp.

"It's going to be a permanent monument to the suffering of the bay," said Ms. Wilson, 45. "I'm going to sink it at a point in the bay where Formosa discharges its waste water. It's more shallow there and the mast would stick up out of the

water for the world to see."

The fourth-generation shrimper, angry over the \$1.3 billion expansion of Formosa, originally had planned to sink her boat in the Matagorda Ship Channel to block marine traffic in Lavaca Bay.

Choppy bay waters prevented all but eight shrimpers from joining the flotilla near the causeway between Point Comfort and Port Lavaca in protest of Formosa Plastics' discharge of up to 15 million gallons per day of waste water.

Formosa Plastics has paid record fines totaling more than \$4 million to state and federal environmental agencies. But officials contend they have a "state-of-the-art" 960-acre expanded facility.

New government mine safety chief to be sworn in

BECKLEY, W. Va. (AP) — For Davitt McAteer it was a single, terrible event 25 years ago that set him on the path toward the nation's top mine safety job.

McAteer was a law student in November 1968 when 99 miners were trapped by a coal dust explosion at a mine in Farmington, just eight miles from his home. Twenty-one miners crawled out or were rescued in the hours after the blast; 78 never made it out.

"Boys that I went to school with and their fathers were in that mine," said McAteer, who will be sworn in Tuesday as assistant U.S. secretary of labor of mine safety and health.

As the days dragged on and hope of rescuing the miners faded, coal operators, government officials and union leaders acted as though such tragedies were inevitable, McAteer said.

"There was no questioning — not one word from anybody about how can we fix these things, how can we keep these things from happening," he said last week at the federal Mine Health and Safety Academy in Beckley.

Coal mining has always been a dangerous business. Mine shafts are cramped and dirty, ventilation poor. The buildup of dust and poisonous methane gas makes for a constant danger of explosions. More than 100,000 miners have

been killed on the job this century. The 1968 tragedy led McAteer to seek out consumer advocate Ralph Nader. With Nader's support, he organized a team of graduate students to review mine safety in West Virginia.

He ended up spending two years with Nader's Center for the Study of Responsive Law, and eventually went to work for the United Mine Workers as solicitor of safety.

In 1984, he founded the Occupational Safety and Health Law Center. Based in Shepherdstown, the center works on mine safety and black lung issues, as well as safety issues for textile and poultry processing workers.

McAteer said he is pleased to be the first workers' safety advocate to head the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

"I'm not pro-industry," says

McAteer. "I am pro-occupational safety. I am a workers' advocate."

The Farmington tragedy was a turning point for the coal industry. It led to a series of wildcat strikes in several states involving thousands of miners.

And on Dec. 30, 1969, Congress adopted the federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act, creating for the first time a federal agency that had real enforcement powers over industry.

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Opinion

Backwater Russia now in cyberspace

Those interested in future technologies might look to Russia. Living in a technological backwater in many ways, Russians have jury-rigged a telecommunications system that, deficient compared to U.S. systems, still links almost the whole country with the world, including the United States.

"E-mail" — ele zronic mail — "succeeds here in part because everything else fails so badly," Anatoly A. Voronov told *The New York Times*. He's head of Glasnet (meaning, roughly, "open communications net," and a play on glasnost, former Soviet boss Mikhail Gorbachev's policy of greater openness).

Glasnet is linked to Internet, the international connection of thousands of small computers. Ironically, Internet was begun two decades ago by the U.S. Department of Defense, but now it is independent — and uncontrolled — by anyone.

"In America," Voronov added, "there are a dozen decent ways of sending your information across the country or across town. Here you can send E-mail to Vladivostok or Boston in five seconds. You can search the archives at the Library of Congress and have results in a minute. Or you can wait three months to get a magazine by mail."

In the old Soviet communist days, it might take half a decade to get one technical journal — and then find it heavily censored. What a change in just a couple of years, all made possible by that wonderful U.S. invention, the microcomputer.

Whatever Russia's political future, Glasnet and other services make it impossible to keep the truth out, or to prevent the truth of what's going on inside Russia from being told to the world. Whatever the nutty Vladimir "Comrade Zero" Zhirinovsky plans, or might achieve, neither he nor any other neosocialist or neofascist can stop the truth.

As in the United States, in Russia entrepreneurial firms are springing up around such connections. Trade is conducted across telecommunications lines, taking that old form of exchange, barter, into the computer age.

The development has direct implications for the United States. If one can conduct business anywhere in the world, from Vladivostok to San Antonio, then many businesses will search for the best economic climate.

For instance, California's Silicon Valley originated most of these new technologies. But those technologies themselves make it possible for the next generation of entrepreneurs to leave California for greener pastures — in Texas, New Jersey or any of the former Soviet republics.

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Jim Berry

PATRICK HENRY, AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY LEADER AND ORATOR, GIVES AN UPDATED VERSION OF THE SPEECH HE MADE ON MARCH 23, 1775

Ka-pow! Now he's famous ...

B. Drummond Ayres Jr. of *The New York Times* filed a story earlier this month under the headline, "In a City of Graffiti, Gangs Turn to Violence to Protect Their Art."

"Sometimes when I'm walking down the street and I see this bare wall, the urge hits me, and, like, I just can't control it," Alex Alvarez said, explaining why he is one of thousands of teenagers scribbling graffiti in Los Angeles. We learn that the artists are called "taggers," that in their zeal to protect their turf they have turned to violence, that there are now "frequent beatings," that one tagger is thought to be responsible for "three recent slayings," and that "some taggers have even been jailed for a month or more after repeated arrests for tagging." Alvarez is quoted, "I write my name up there and — KA-POW! — I'm famous."

KA-POW could also be used to describe the sound of a rattan rod descending on the bared buttocks of the young tagger, which is what would happen in the event he took his trade to Singapore and attempted to practice it there. And that is what the current dispute is all about, which dispute has engaged the attention even of the president of the United States.

Some time ago an 18-year-old American living in Singapore with his mother and stepfather undertook with a group of accomplices to paint graffiti on 18 automobiles, and to switch license plates. The taggers were apprehended.

The news stories do not advise what were the sentences meted out to the young men from Singapore, but much attention has been given to the sentence handed down to the 18-year-old American. The fine is \$2,230, the jail term is four months, and there is to be corporal punishment: six strokes.

Now those of us innocent of the use of the rattan in



William F. Buckley Jr.

Singapore are understandably skeptical of the report by the father of the boy, without knowing whether he is correct or not. The complaint, reverberating throughout the echo chambers of Western sensibilities, is based on the father's metaphor. The paint was washed off the vandalized automobiles, said the father, but six strokes of the rattan inflict scars on the human flesh, and "those scars will not wash off."

We do not know if the authorities in Singapore have confronted the scar question. What they have said is that under Singapore law, the offender might have been subjected to 16, not six, strokes; and that Singapore was not going to have one set of laws for its own countrymen, and another for Americans.

One's mind traces back to the furious debates a generation ago over the Status of Forces Agreement. When U.S. troops began to move in, in pursuit of treaty alliances, in Europe and Asia, the question arose: Were U.S. soldiers subject to identical punishment as natives, even when cultural differences shouted at you their irreconcilability?

The Status of Forces Agreement survived the objections of Americans who backed the Bricker Amendment, which would have denied to any signatory of a treaty the exercise of rights over Americans not expressly authorized by Congress. One Ameri-

can soldier, out for an evening of relaxation, was entrapped by a Turkish doll into exchanging some dollars for the local currency. KA-POW, the American was taken in by the police and flogged. Although the agreement was signed and ratified, the diplomatic understanding reached under the table was, I suspect, that an American caught drinking booze in Saudi Arabia would not have his hand chopped off.

Now the Singapore sentencing of the 18-year-old comes close to the line over which cultural differences becomes critical. In Malaysia, and in Singapore, people who are caught trafficking in drugs are hanged. That does not cross the line, inasmuch as people are also hanged in the United States. And flogging was legal in Maryland until the Second World War. Whether if it were revived it could withstand a challenge pleading the constitutional guarantee against cruel and unusual punishment we cannot know.

If indeed a stroke by a rattan rod results in a scar, we can (I write as a layman) denounce the practice as intolerable — a form of torture. If it does less than that, which is probable given that as many as three dozen strokes are authorized under the law, then we are justified in holding our peace, relying on the convention that, when in Rome, one does as the Romans do.

And perhaps even ask ourselves wistfully whether the government of Singapore, were it given jurisdiction over Los Angeles for a year or two, might not spare the bodies and save the lives of the dozens and hundreds — and thousands? — of citizens, young and old, who as things now stand are hostage not merely to the courts and their elected representatives, but also to taggers, who want to do something that, KA-POW, makes them famous.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, March 28, the 87th day of 1994. There are 278 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 28, 1979, America's worst commercial nuclear accident occurred inside the Unit II reactor at the Three Mile Island plant near Middletown, Pa.

On this date:

In 1797, Nathaniel Briggs of New Hampshire patented a washing machine.

In 1834, the U.S. Senate voted to censure President Jackson for the removal of federal deposits from the Bank of the United States.

In 1854, during the Crimean War, Britain and France declared war on Russia.

In 1930, the names of the Turkish cities of Constantinople and Angora were changed to Istanbul and Ankara.

In 1939, the Spanish Civil War ended when Madrid fell to the forces of Francisco Franco.

In 1941, novelist and critic Virginia Woolf died in Lewes, England.



Aliens: America's most unwanted

Just off the Oval Office of the White House, there's a small hall leading to a private dining room no larger than your own.

President Reagan lined the walls of that small hall with framed cartoons of himself; he said it helped him to keep from taking himself too seriously. Invited to lunch with the president in that intimate dining room 10 years ago, I enjoyed a spirited conversation about world concerns brightened by Reagan's fascinating recall of anecdotal adventures in the movies and since.

Suddenly, the entire mood of the meeting changed when I asked what were we going to do about the debilitating tide of illegal immigration.

The president, now uncharacteristically grim, was silent for most of a pregnant minute before he said, "Paul, I don't know."

Our national leaders still don't know.

Recently Attorney General Janet Reno, Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, Education Secretary Richard Riley and Office of Management and Budget Director Leon Panetta invited to Washington the governors of the states most burdened by illegal immigrants: California and Florida, Illinois and Texas, Arizona and New Jersey.



Paul Harvey

The government officials received a thorough briefing.

Florida's Gov. Lawton Chiles related how the number of foreign-born residents of his state has tripled in two decades.

One million — at least — of Florida's foreign born ARE NOT CITIZENS.

Cubans, for example, if they can make it ashore in Florida by whatever means, are allowed to dissolve into the population with neither accreditation nor scrutiny.

It is presumed that they are "political refugees," and federal government policy requires that "political refugees" be made to feel welcome here. They are not.

Public opinion surveys in Florida, as elsewhere, reveal an angry undercurrent of resentment directed at illegal immigrants who promptly claim welfare at your expense, food stamps at your expense, medical care and education at your expense ...

Providing such services costs the state of Florida \$2 billion a year. In the meantime, the influx of illegals continues.

At the D.C. meeting, the governors were given some vague promises of better enforcement of immigration laws, federal help with state costs, improved identification of criminal aliens and a contingency plan to respond to any future mass invasion of aliens.

So far none of the above has been implemented. It would appear that, even as 10 years ago, our federal government leaders do not know what to do about the problem.

President Clinton, arguing for the North American Free Trade Agreement, promised that it would create jobs in Latin America and thus reduce the incentive to emigrate. It hasn't yet.

States that are reducing the welfare incentive have the best chance of stemming the tide, but you'll not hear much of that this election year.

The trouble with Hillary Rodham Clinton

Only a few weeks ago President Clinton was telling us, apropos Whitewater, that "nobody has even accused me of any wrongdoing." Now, Hillary Rodham Clinton has told *Time* and *Newsweek* that she would be "the first to say" that "mistakes were made" in that murky affair. Unless Ms. Rodham Clinton is making an altogether improbable (and implausible) distinction between her own behavior and her husband's, it seems clear that the White House position is getting ready to change.

Of course, neither the president nor his wife is admitting to any "wrongdoing" just yet: only "mistakes" (further softened, in one instance, to "mist-steps"). But you can be sure they aren't talking about spitting on the sidewalk. We are being prepared for some pretty smelly revelations.

All of which has caused many thoughtful observers to reconsider the role of Ms. Rodham Clinton in her husband's administration. She is obviously a smart woman, and a very good lawyer in her own right, and the first instinct of our liberal media, when it became apparent that Mr. Clinton was going to be the Democratic nominee for president, was to sell her to the voters as the feminist ideal: a fully equal partner in the public as well as the private aspects of Bill Clinton's life.

Mr. Clinton cheerfully went along with this, telling voters that it was a case of "buy one, get one free." When they moved into the White House, he



William A. Rusher

promptly put his wife in official charge of the major domestic initiative of his administration: health care. Beyond that, her influence was quickly perceptible in a dozen other fields, and she is now described by the media, in all seriousness, as "the second most powerful person" in Washington.

But now the fumes rising from Whitewater are causing a great many people to take a second look at Ms. Rodham Clinton. It is being pointed out that — far from representing the feminist ideal of personal achievement — she is where she is, and wield the power she does, only because she happens to be married to the president of the United States. She is no Margaret Thatcher, or Golda Meir, or even Nancy Kassebaum. Nobody, even in Arkansas, ever elected her to anything.

Of course, she isn't the first presidential spouse, by a long shot, to have enormous influence. The historical woods are full of first ladies, from Edith

Wilson to Nancy Reagan, who wielded great *de facto* power. But the power was actually vested in their husbands.

Similarly, there have been unelected presidential confidants, such as Wilson's Colonel House and FDR's Harry Hopkins, whose allegedly huge influence was roundly criticized. Once again, however, the power remained in the presidents.

But Ms. Rodham Clinton was entrusted by her husband with an official policy role entailing the independent exercise of political judgment and power. Not even this, though, was a "first" for a presidential relative: John Kennedy made his brother Robert the attorney general of the United States — a key post if there ever was one. In that case, however, the Senate approved the nomination, and Robert Kennedy was as accountable as any other public official.

Is accountability, then, the test? If so, why not simply say that Mr. Clinton shall be held accountable for whatever Ms. Rodham Clinton does or fails to do?

The answer, of course, is that such "accountability" would be meaningless. For Mr. Clinton cannot, as a practical matter, get rid of his wife if she blunders (as, for example, he got rid of White House counsel Bernard Nussbaum). For better or worse, she is there to stay. And that makes her position unique: unelected, unaccountable and unremovable. It is a very dangerous combination.

Lifestyles

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to "Fed Up in the Break Room," who complained about a co-worker who seemed obsessed with food. I know they were referring to me.

I thought I was being complimentary when I asked my co-workers what they brought for lunch because it looked or smelled good when it was being rewarmed in the microwave oven.

Well, they don't have to worry. I will never mention food again.
FED UP AND SHUT UP

DEAR ABBY: Recently I read the letter in your column about the rude co-worker who always had to know what everyone else had for lunch.

Abby, I did not have to get past the first two lines to realize that the letter was about me. I was just trying to make conversation. I apologize to my co-workers whom I offended. However, it isn't necessary for others to skip lunch to avoid me. A sudden change of subject, or the direct approach, would have turned a lightbulb on in my head. Sign me...
SORRY IN ST. PAUL

DEAR ABBY: The person who thought it was necessary to ask you how to tell people to "butt out" of their lunch bags obviously can't handle the standard way to say, "Knock it off - you bother me." How about this: "It's a rude-a-begga sandwich" ...or is that too subtle?
VANCE IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR ABBY: I was disappointed in your response to "Fed Up in the Break Room." If the person's incessant talking about food is irritating, someone should tell her about it. No need to be brutal. You seemed to assume that the person was doing this deliberately to annoy people. Maybe she was just trying to make conversation, to be friendly.

I would recommend starting with a positive comment. For example: "You certainly have an interest in food. Are you a gourmet cook?" Then end with, "You seem very interested in what I am eating, but your curiosity about what I am eating detracts from my enjoyment. So how about talking about other things during break?"
JEAN, BETHLEHEM, PA.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Fed Up in the Break Room." I think I know who wrote that letter.

Prior to this job, I worked for a large firm in a large city. Every day all of us would ask the others what they were having for lunch, if they bought it, and if they cooked it, they would ask for the recipe. We did not consider it rude - we considered it fun. We learned some new recipes from diverse ethnic groups, new restaurants and delis, and the price of carryout food.

I think "Fed Up in the Break Room" made a trivial, childish complaint. I didn't realize I was being rude. And believe me, Abby, I have learned my lesson. Hell will freeze before I compliment anybody at work about her cooking again!
TICKED OFF IN TUCSON

Businessman heads college

ALLENTOWN, Pa., (AP) — Arthur R. Taylor has an unusual distinction. He is one of America's few top business executives to start a new career as a college president.

Today Taylor is president of Muhlenberg College, a coeducational liberal arts institution founded in 1848. There he is applying business principles, such as treating students as customers, encouraging their participation in the school's administration and ensuring the quality of the college's academic "product."

Taylor's past business experience included key positions in banking and finance. In 1972, he became president of a television network and doubled its revenues.

Clothes shopping is still a passion, buying isn't

By ANNE BREZA
For AP Special Features

As fashion designers unveil the newest trends for fall in Milan, Paris and New York, most women are just getting into their favorite looks for spring.

But with designer clothes created on bodies like Cindy Crawford's and aimed at bank accounts like Barbra Streisand's, the fantasy on the runways seems to have little to do with the reality of the working woman's wardrobe. American women, at least, seem increasingly influenced by individual style, self-confidence and the lure of a good sale.

"Part of my job is to keep tabs on popular culture, so naturally I like to see what's going on in fashion," says Toby Finneman, an advertising executive in New York. "Still, I'm not really aware of the designers' names."

"When I shop I use a technique for studying my figure that I learned in a life drawing class. I look in the mirror and slightly unfocus my eyes to see if the shape and proportions of the clothes are flattering to my body type. Then I look at the details. After that, I twirl around and pretend I'm a stranger. And if I say

"who is that glamorous woman?" I buy the dress."

Finneman, a 40-something executive in a creative field, has the freedom to express herself through clothing.

"I wear anything from a 1950s cotton dress to a long linen jacket with slim pants," she says, adding that she likes bargains and works at finding them.

"You almost have to be a fool to buy retail when there are so many discount stores out there," she says. "I like Daffy's and those out-of-the-way outlets. There's a lot of junk mixed in, but there's the excitement of the hunt."

Although she can't resist walking through Saks' Fifth Avenue, she usually holds off buying until it has one of its great sales.

"You pride yourself on having beautiful, expensive clothing and finding it at low prices," she says.

In Houston, Neiman Marcus has incredible semi-annual sales, and Alexis Quinlan, a Houston grade-school teacher, says they're worth the wait.

"The sales are packed, and you have to fight for what you want, but everything's half-price or so," she says. "It's the only time I can afford

to shop there."

Quinlan grew up shopping in malls. Her mother trained her to walk the corridors and get ideas and then pick the store with the best price. The method still works, but Quinlan has outgrown the malls. Too many of the stores are clones, she says, or they're overpriced.

"Tootsies has fabulous high fashion. I go there to look but I never buy," says Quinlan, 33. "It just seems ridiculous to me to pay a month's salary for a jacket."

Many women shop in packs, but Quinlan prefers to shop alone.

"I go into shopping trances," she says. "I can look at a rack and see immediately if there's anything that remotely interests me. I don't like to wait for a friend to make her decision.... Shopping with a man is no fun either. They are too impatient and I feel a bit like Eliza Doolittle."

When she buys, she chooses outfits that can work for day or night. Elise Waltzman, 30ish, a screenwriter in Los Angeles, says her clothes range between classic and interesting even though she has a trendy job in a trendy city.

"For my professional wardrobe, I tend to buy like the French, very few pieces but high quality that I

can wear forever," she says. "This buying habit may require a more expensive outlay at first, but it could be cheaper over time."

"If I wear jeans, I'll put on a silk blouse. With a straight skirt, I'll wear an oversized sweater. The only time I wear suits is for meetings with agents and producers."

Waltzman finds her work wardrobe in smaller free-standing stores, including Fred Siegal's semi-annual sales.

"I hate department stores because the smell of perfume overwhelms me," she says.

"I go to Ann Taylor even though I like their clothes on the East Coast better — they're a little more somber and a little less flashy. Max Studio in Santa Monica has really great tailored clothes with an almost masculine touch."

"I love the Gap for basic pool clothes like shorts, T-shirts, khakis and stuff...."

Lawyers are among the corporate elite who can buy designer clothes without asking the price. But most law offices require conservative attire, and the women are savvy shoppers.

"If I'm shopping for work, I go to Loehman's where I can buy some-

thing great by Calvin Klein or Anne Klein," says Jan Wadsworth, an attorney in San Francisco. "I grew up in New Jersey, so it didn't take long for me to find the designer outlet stores here."

Wadsworth, 28, also likes Ann Taylor because it's trendy enough for the free spirit in her but conservative enough for the lawyer in her.

"Ann Taylor is one-stop shopping. I can get a suit for work and a sundress for the weekend," she says. "There is also a reasonable chain of stores called Bebe which works similarly for me."

As a time-saver she shops from J. Crew and Tweeds catalogs for sportswear.

"It's great fun to get clothes in the mail," she says. "By the time they come, I usually forget what I've ordered, so it's like getting a gift. It's a pleasant surprise."

In general, she follows the familiar mantra — only go shopping when you need something and only buy what you need.

"But once in a while you see something you can't resist," she says. "On those days, shopping becomes an event and you don't care what you buy."

Getting It All Together

The whole case charms Pampa detective

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

A need for a job and geographic change brought Pampa Police Det. Bracie Sherling to town. Taking a set of facts and putting together a case is what keeps her going.

Sherling has been in law enforcement for 10 years. She began her career in the Gaines County Sheriff's Office as a clerical worker. When she took a check from a man to pay off a "hot check," the sheriff sent her out to collect cash for the hot check.

"I didn't know any better so I took it," she said. "I thought, 'I like this.' I just got hooked on it."

Sherling enrolled in the South Plains Association of Governments Regional Law Enforcement Academy by night and continued her clerical duties by day.

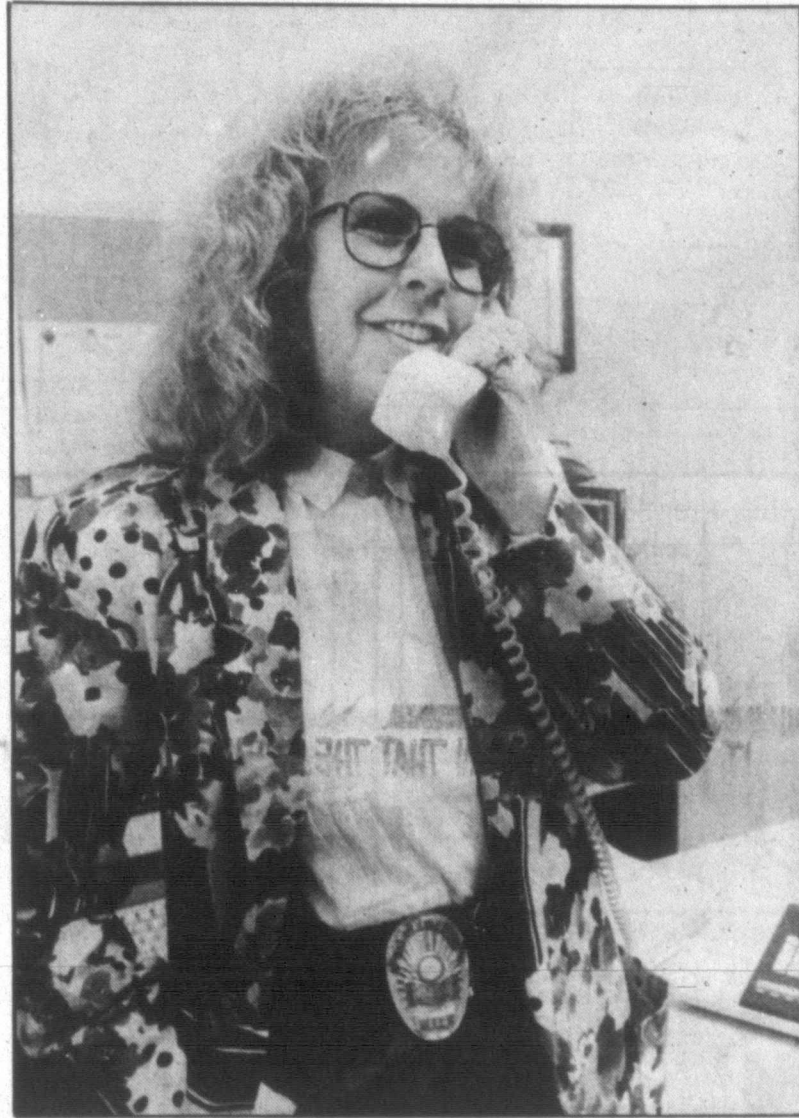
By 1989 she was working with a drug task force in Odessa making undercover drug buys and posing as a lady of the evening in a prostitution sting.

"That was fun. I got to be a hooter," she said.

Clad in a mini skirt and tank top on Second Street in Odessa, she and six other women lured about 60 johns to their arrest in a seedy motel.

"It was like, 'You don't look like a cop,'" Sherling said about her victims.

In 1992, Sherling moved to Pampa with her two children, to continue the work that she said



Bracie Sherling

charms her so.

"It is such a good feeling when a plan comes together. You get somebody off the street. The excitement gets in your blood," Sherling said.

Her family background is not in law enforcement, said the admitted adrenaline junkie.

"My poor little mother still thinks I'm crazy," she said.

Her personal safety doesn't concern her, though she said her son is a worrier.

"I don't worry about it. I think

most of us in law enforcement don't think about it until something's over with, then we think about it," she said.

Sherling doesn't know if her work separates her from other women.

"I don't know. I've had a lot of other women tell me they couldn't do what I do, so I guess in that respect I'm a little bit different," she said.

Police work, traditionally a male field, is not a compromise to Sher-



ling, she said.

"Somebody said one time, 'You need to forget you're a woman to be a cop.' I strongly disagree with that. A woman in law enforcement should remember first that she is a woman. When you have to take a hard line, you have to remember that's part of the job," Sherling said.

The future of law enforcement was hindered, she said, when the Texas legislature created the state jail felony in which probation is mandatory.

"I think these jail felonies are going to hurt society. Fourth degree felony is probation oriented, and I feel like we need to elect regular, ordinary people, not attorneys so that laws can be legislated to work properly," she said.

The heavy load of cases in criminal investigation division is overwhelming.

"I think you're crazy trying to get everybody called and there are still people calling the chief and saying 'Why aren't they doing anything?'" she said.

"It's not something you're ever gonna get rich doing but it's fulfilling for me. I think it takes a special kind of person to do it," Sherling said.

McWhorter headlines Clarendon College reunion activities

CLARENDON — Clarendon College ex-student and cowboy poet Larry McWhorter will be the highlight of the busiest day during the Clarendon College Ex-Students Reunion on April 16-17.

McWhorter, a graduate of the college's ranch and feedlot operations program, will share his cowboy poetry with attendees at the Saturday evening Ex-Students Banquet set for 7 p.m. in the Bairfield Activity Center.

Other banquet activities will include the recognition of retiring instructors Jack Moreman and Virginia James, the honoring of graduates from the classes of '44, '69 and '84, and a special musical presentation by the Clarendon College Singers. Following the banquet, a dance will be held at the Community Building.

Before the Saturday evening activities, ex-students can participate in a full day of reunion events.

Festivities will kick off with the ex-students team roping beginning at 8 a.m. Receptions for this year's honor classes ('44, '69 and '84) will be held at 9 a.m. in the Bairfield Activity Center. Special receptions will also be held at this time for Moreman and James.

At 11:30 a.m., activities will move to the Community Building, where the Ex-Students Association will host a barbecue. The Intramural Rodeo will follow at 1 p.m.

Sunday morning, the Clarendon College Rodeo Club will put on the Elmer Fisher Memorial Roping beginning at 9 a.m. The proceeds from the roping will go into the college scholarship fund.

Those interested in ticket prices and more information may contact Clarendon College at (806) 874-3571.

Those attending the meeting were Sandra Christner, Anita Brown and Ameila Sims from Wheeler; Beihel Robinson from Panhandle; Berklee Clements from Skellytown; Amy Brainard and Sally Wicker from Canadian; Bonnie Abraham from Hoover, Sally Youngblood from Lefors, Lilit Brainard from Pampa and Nadyne Williams and Diana Pete from Shamrock.

The next meeting will be held April 11 in Pampa.

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- Repair
- Hebrew measure
- Believe — not
- Household god
- Actor Jeremy
- Confuse
- Aroma
- Ore source
- Roman temple
- Real-estate map

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36 Group of opinions

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40 Haute, Ind.

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49 Direction

51 Obligation

53 Hockey player or Phil

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56 Emperor (var.)

57 Insect egg

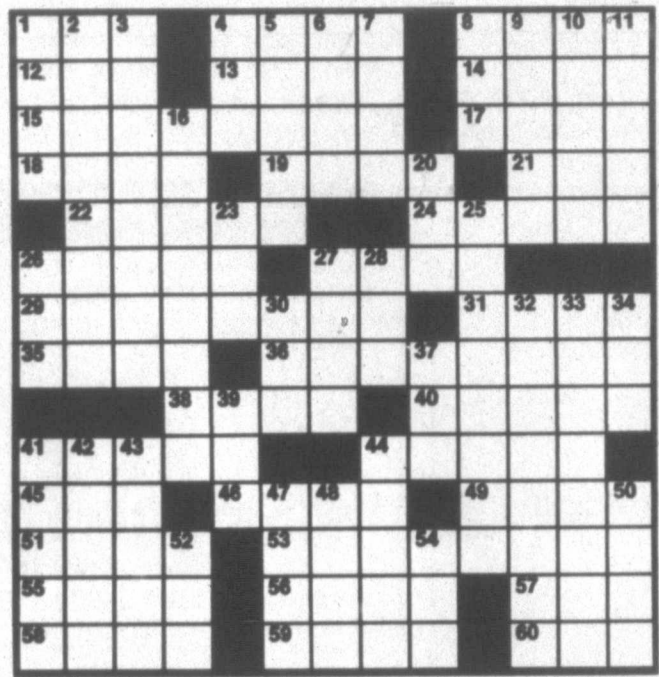
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- Nautical rope
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- Mosquito genus
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- Baseball's Rose
- Actual being 50 in — altogether
- Actor Brynner
- Jazz player Kid —



Answer to Previous Puzzle

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WALNUT COVE

This book says fasting can be spiritually enlightening

"Fasting allows the disciple to transcend the bonds of the flesh, to explore the realms of the spirit and the ancient mystics."

That sounds pretty cool

Of course, it's not something I'd want to try on an empty stomach

By Mark Cullum

ARLO & JANIS

THIS OUTFIT ISN'T WORKING!

WHAT ON EARTH AM I GOING TO WEAR TODAY?

GET A BLUE SUIT AND A GRAY SUIT AND ALTERNATE THEM.

HEY, IF YOU WON'T LISTEN TO THE VOICE OF EXPERIENCE...

By Jimmy Johnson

ECK & MEEK

SOME SCIENTIST JUST DISCOVERED THAT LAZINESS IS CAUSED BY A VIRUS

REALLY... IS IT CONTAGIOUS?

NOBODY KNOWS...

HE SUDDENLY STOPPED WORKING ON IT AND NOW JUST HANGS OUT AT THE CORNER BAR ALL DAY NOT DOING MUCH OF ANYTHING

By Howie Schneider

B.C.

WHAT HAS 22 LEGS AND STOMPS ON BUFFALO?

I GIVE UP, WHAT?

THE DALLAS COWBOYS.

By Johnny Hart

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You might be subjected to some unexpected changes today. If they are handled properly, they could usher in substantial opportunities materially or financially. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This is a favorable day for getting together with a close associate and discussing a critical development. Something negative can be converted into something very positive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You're presently in a cycle where several important objectives can be attained sequentially. Put your targets in order and boldly proceed.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you haven't been feeling lucky lately, don't despair, because everything could change today. Dame Fortune has her eye on you where chance is concerned.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you may be a slow starter, but once you get on a roll, watch out. Everything begins to improve when you get a glimpse of the finish line.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Agreements into which you enter today have excellent chances for success and should produce substantial equal benefits for all of the parties involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Focus your efforts and energies today on situations that are meaningful to you financially and can enhance your material security. You could be a magnet for money.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Things you personally manage or create have excellent chances of being successful if you begin moving on them today. The long range picture looks bright and promising.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Over the next few days persons who feel obligated to you in some way might make efforts to repay you. This could even include things you've written off.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you start to feel a bit more hopeful than usual today, the aspects in your chart show justification for your attitude. Keep thinking "win."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Lady Luck wants to take a hand in pushing you closer to your goals and objectives today. If you get in lock step with her, she might take you all the way.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today's conditions should provide you with a much firmer handle on controlling situations that have been dominating you. Use it to your advantage.

MARVIN

I SWEAR, MARVIN, YOU MESS THINGS UP FASTER THAN I CAN PICK UP! THE HOUSE LOOKS LIKE A PIGSTY!!

I RESENT THAT!

IT LOOKS LIKE A PRECOCIOUS-CURIOUS-ACTIVE-EASILY BORED-GET-INTO-MISCHIEF-BABY-STY!

By Tom Armstrong

MARMADUKE

Do I stick my nose in your face when you have visitors?

By Brad Anderson

KIT N' CARLYLE

... I LIKE TO CATCH TUNA.

By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP

WELL, OSCAR, WE DID IT! WE GOT ALL THY CRITTERS ON YOUR LIST!

YEP! NOW IT'S JUST A MATTER OF GETTING THE CAGES BACK TO THE CAPITAL!

I ... SO DOC CAN PICK THEM UP WITH HIS TIME MACHINE!

THAT PART'S EASY!

YOU KNOW, OOP, I'M SORRY WE LOST GERTIE... I'M GOING TO MISS HER!

YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY ONE!

I THINK THIS LITTLE STEGO MISSES HER TOO!

By Dave Graue

BEATTIE BLVD.

NO WONDER MY ARMS ARE SO TIRED...

By Bruce Beattie

WINTHROP

HI, JASON! WHAT'S HAPPENING?

I DON'T KNOW...

I CAN'T READ THE PAPERS AND OUR TV IS BROKEN.

By Dick Cavalli

THE BORN LOSER

HEAR YOUR WEIGHT AND OUTLOOK 251

YOUR WEIGHT IS 221 POUNDS... YOU ARE NOT FAT, YOU ARE HORIZONTALLY CHALLENGED

POLITICALLY CORRECT STREET SCALES?

HEAR YOUR WEIGHT AND OUTLOOK 251

By Art and Chip Sansom

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

"You hafta leave the Band-Aid on or the shot will leak out."

By Bill Keane

CALVIN AND HOBBS

I don't like your face.

THEN DON'T LOOK AT IT.

I'd rather change it. Haw!

I DON'T CARE ABOUT BEING ACCEPTED. I'D SETTLE FOR BEING IGNORED.

By Bill Watterson

PEANUTS

I'D HATE TO HAVE A JOB WHERE YOU HAD TO GET UP EARLY IN THE MORNING..

I'D HATE TO HAVE A JOB WHERE YOU STAYED IN THE SAME PLACE ALL DAY..

I'D HATE TO HAVE A JOB WHERE YOU HAD TO BE NICE TO EVERYBODY..

By Charles M. Schulz

FRANK AND ERNEST

HOW CAN YOU NOT LIKE A GAME WHERE IT'S OKAY TO GET TEEED OFF, TOTE A SIX-IRON, SHOOT BIRDIES, AND IF YOU'RE UNDER PAR IT'S A GREAT DAY!

By Bob Thaves

GARFIELD

BOY, AM I OUT OF SHAPE

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO

IF YOU CAN'T LOSE IT... BELT IT

By Jim Davis

Sports

Notebook

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

DALLAS (AP) — With President Clinton watching from the stands, Arkansas defeated Michigan 76-68 in the Midwest Regional final, denying the Wolverines their third straight trip to the Final Four.

Florida beat Boston College 74-66 in the East Regional. The other two teams in the Final Four are Duke, which beat Purdue 69-60 in the Southeast Regional and Arizona, defeating Missouri 92-72 in the West Regional.

The national semifinals will be Saturday at Charlotte, N.C. as Florida (29-7) meets Duke (27-5), and Arkansas (29-3) faces Arizona (29-5).

Corliss Williamson made two big baskets during a late stretch and Scotty Thurman two free throws with 17.3 seconds left to hold off Michigan.

Craig Brown hit three consecutive 3-pointers, turning a 56-53 deficit into a 62-56 lead with 3:50 remaining for Florida. The Eagles missed four free throws in the final 3:24 and committed three turnovers in the last minute.

Alabama, North Carolina and Purdue qualified for their first NCAA Women's Final Four and will join Louisiana Tech, a two-time national champion playing its eighth Final Four in 13 years.

Purdue (29-4), the only No. 1 seed, beat second-seeded Stanford 82-65 to win the West Regional and will play North Carolina (31-2), which defeated Connecticut 81-69 in the East, in the national semifinals at Richmond Coliseum. Fourth-seeded Louisiana Tech (30-3) brings a 24-game winning streak against Alabama (26-6) after beating No. 2 seed Southern California 75-66 in the Midwest Regional. Sixth-seeded Alabama defeated top-seeded Penn State 96-82 in the Midwest.

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) — Glenn Robinson, the nation's leading scorer and Naismith college player of the year, indicated he will stay at Purdue for his senior season rather than turn pro.

Robinson, with a 30.3 scoring average, would probably be the top pick in the NBA draft if he gave up his last year of eligibility.

Robinson was a unanimous All-American, Big Ten player of the year, and holds Purdue and Big Ten records for points scored in a season (1,030).

Nolan Richardson of Arkansas and Pat Head-Summitt of Tennessee were coaches of the year, and Lisa Leslie, a 6-foot-5 senior from Southern Cal, was woman player of the year.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Bakersfield State beat Southern Indiana 92-86 to become the first NCAA Division II repeat champions in 25 years.

Kenny Warren scored 21 points for Bakersfield (27-6). Stan Gouard scored 30 points for Southern Indiana (28-4).

BASKETBALL

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Magic Johnson brought his smile to the NBA's coaching ranks, guiding the Los Angeles Lakers to a 110-101 victory over Milwaukee in his debut, only the third sell-out this season.

Johnson replaced Randy Pfund last week in hopes he would turn the Lakers' sagging fortunes around to make their 18th consecutive playoff appearance.

Los Angeles is still six games behind Denver for the eighth and final Western Conference playoff spot, with 15 games remaining.

The victory made Johnson the seventh Lakers coach to win his debut. It also gave the Lakers their first season sweep of Milwaukee since 1985-86.

BASEBALL

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — The Baltimore Orioles traded first baseman David Segui to the New York Mets for two minor leaguers.

The Mets sent right-hander Tom Wegmann and shortstop Kevin Baez to Baltimore. Both played for Triple-A Norfolk last year and will begin the season in the Orioles' minor-league system.

Segui hit .273 with 10 homers and 60 RBIs last season and finished third among AL first basemen in fielding percentage.

GOLF

PONTE VEDRA, Fla. (AP) — Greg Norman set his third consecutive scoring record on the PGA Tour home course for a four-stroke victory in the \$2.5 million Players Championship.

Norman scored the 12th official victory of his American career, and 67th around the world, with a 67 and 264 total, 24-under-par, over the TPC at Sawgrass.

Norman opened the tournament with a 63 and set course records at 130 for 36 holes and 197 for 54. He passed Paul Azinger into second on the all-time money-winning list at \$7,173,986.

Fuzzy Zoeller was runner-up for the third straight time. He birdied three of the last four holes for a 67 and 20-under-268. Jeff Maggert finished with a 68 and a 271 total. Hale Irwin with a 69-276, was fourth.

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Donna Andrews sank a 6-foot birdie putt on the final hole to win the \$700,000 Dinah Shore, her second straight victory and first in an LPGA major.

Andrews overtook Laura Davies, one shot ahead going into No. 18, but bogeyed to finish one shot behind. Andrews had bogeyed No. 17 to fall a shot back. She finished with a 70 for 12-under-par 276 for \$105,000 in the tournament at Mission Hills. Davies also shot a closing 70 for 277.

Tammie Green shot a closing 68 to finish third at 279. Jan Stephenson finished fourth with a 71 and 8-under-par 280.

KINGWOOD, Texas (AP) — Taking advantage of second-round leader Isao Aoki's disqualification, Tom Wargo shot a par-72 to win the Senior PGA Doug Sanders Classic by one stroke over Bob Murphy.

Aoki held a one-shot lead going into Sunday's final round but was disqualified after breaking a rule and signing an incorrect scorecard for Saturday's second round.

Wargo, defending PGA Seniors champion, started one stroke behind, but finished with a 7-under-209 total.

Murphy had the day's best round of 66, equaling the best round of the tournament, and finished at 210. Chi Chi Rodriguez finished third with a final-round 1-over-par 73 for a 211.

KURIMOTOCHO, Japan (AP) — Defending champion Lee Trevino shot a 3-under-par 69 to win the \$571,000 American Express Grand Slam by seven shots.

Jimmy versus Jerry —the saga continues

Cowboys' coach offered broadcasting job with Fox

IRVING (AP) — After Jimmy Johnson and Jerry Jones meet today, Jones may be the only one still part of the Dallas Cowboys.

That's a worst-case scenario for fans of the two-time defending world champions, but it's a possible outcome of the meeting between the coach and the owner, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported in today's editions.

According to sources, the Star-Telegram said Jones and Johnson will discuss options, including remaining together through this season to seek a third straight Super Bowl title or having Jones buy out Johnson's contract.

Johnson has five years at \$1 million per year remaining on his 10-year contract.

Should Johnson leave, the Star-Telegram reports he'll have no trouble finding work. Fox executive producer Ed Goren told the newspaper he'd immediately give the coach a chance to broadcast NFL games.

"He's already like a Howard Cosell because you either love

Jimmy or you hate him, but everyone knows him. He's got carte blanche to come over to Fox," Goren said.

There's also the chance the two will let bygones be bygones and continue their love-hate relationship.

Either way, something should be known in the next few days.

"It's something we need to get worked out one way or the other, and I think we will," Jones said Sunday during half-time of the NCAA Midwest Regional final between Michigan and his alma mater, Arkansas, in Dallas. "Let's just say this — we need to sit down and talk."

Johnson said he wants things settled soon and indicated he would hold a news conference this week to announce whether he'll be back.

The latest battle in their relationship came last week at the NFL's annual spring meetings when Jones discussed firing Johnson during a late-evening conversation over drinks. Johnson said he was infuriated that Jones went so far as to mention former University of Oklahoma coach Barry Switzer as a possible successor.

Jones has told the Star-Telegram he has a "mental list" of possible replacements, although he hasn't put it on paper.

League sources told the newspaper the list includes Switzer, Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz and Cowboys assistant Butch Davis.

Should Johnson leave, Jones would be left with a very unhappy team.

Quarterback Troy Aikman told The Dallas Morning News that he might not have signed his \$50 million contract had he thought Johnson would leave.

"If I could have anticipated something like this happening, I would have been hesitant about signing a long-term contract with the Cowboys," Aikman said.

"The thing that has always been a factor for me in Dallas is having Jimmy as the head coach. I've always known there would be a winning effort made, that Jerry would put a premium on winning as long as Jimmy was the coach of the team."

Richardson works out with Cardinals

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Oilers quarterback Bucky Richardson worked out for the Canadian Football League Hamilton Tiger-Cats over the weekend and is planning a visit to Canada.

"They're going to get back to me this week," Richardson told the Houston Chronicle. "I've never been to Canada, and I'd like to visit the city and meet the people before I give them an answer."

Hamilton has offered Richardson, the Oilers' third-team quarterback behind Warren Moon and Cody Carlson, a two-year contract worth \$1 million. The Oilers have offered him a three-year deal that starts at \$250,000.

Richardson attended the Tiger-Cats' quarterback camp over the weekend in Phoenix.

"I threw about 30 balls, and they liked what they saw," he said. "They explained to me

why they think I could be successful in the CFL. They also like my running ability."

The former Texas A&M star said he and agent Frank Bauer met with Hamilton's owner, coach, personnel director and offensive coordinator.

"Everything was great," he said. "We went out to dinner Saturday night and talked football ... They've followed my career, and they think I'd be ideal for their team."

The Oilers are also in danger of losing defensive ends Sean Jones and William Fuller and receiver Haywood Jeffries.

The Green Bay Packers, who lost free-agent linebacker Tony Bennett to Indianapolis, are trying to sign Jones. Fuller, meanwhile, is negotiating with the Philadelphia Eagles.

Jeffries could get an offer from the Los Angeles Rams this week.



Pampa senior Seivern Wallace (23) was a first-team pick on the Amarillo Globe-News Super Team. (Pampa News photo)

Three Harvesters named to Super Team

Three Pampa Harvesters were named Sunday to the annual Amarillo Globe-News Super Team Basketball Team.

Seivern Wallace, a 6-4 senior, was a first-team selection. Rayford Young, a 5-10 guard, was named sophomore of the year, while 5-9 guard J.J. Mathis was named freshman of the year.

"He's a tremendously coachable young man," Pampa head coach Albert Hale said about Wallace, who was also District 1-4A's most valuable player. "He's one of those kids that gives your team a chance to have a winning program."

Wallace averaged 14.5 points and 8.3 rebounds for Pampa's district championship team.

Young was the team's leading scorer (15.3 ppg) and also led the district in scoring at 20.3 ppg. "Rayford is young in stature, but he's big in production," Hale said. "If he continues to work at his game and keep improving, he's going to



some kind of ballplayer. If our leading scorer comes back hungry next season, we'll be headed in the right direction."

Mathis cracked Pampa's starting lineup one game before the district season started and ended up averaging 7.8 points and 4.0 rebounds per game.

"J.J. started nearly all of our big games. He gave us a lot of momentum and brought a lot of excitement to our games," Hale said.

Villanova takes on Siena in NIT semis

By HAL BOCK AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Villanova coach Steve Lappas can't wait.

First, he can't wait for tonight, when his Wildcats play in the NIT semifinals against Siena.

Then, he can't wait for next year when his whole team returns intact.

And, finally, he certainly can't wait for the year after that, when he loses just two players to graduation and will be armed with two more years worth of recruits to replace them.

"We are poised to be a team in the national limelight," Lappas said.

That, of course, was the whole idea when he left Manhattan College to replace Rollie Massimino at Villanova two years ago. He had been an assistant on the 1985 national championship team and this was a return to his college coaching roots and a chance to move into the high-profile Big East Conference. It did not go well.

The 'Cats were 8-19 last season, including 3-16 in the Big East. And when they opened this season at 6-9, things didn't look great.

Then, all at once, the team turned. They've won 12 of their last 15 games, with two of the losses to Big East tournament champion Providence. They've beaten Connecticut and Boston College along the way and served notice for the future.

And, by the way, they're the only Big East team still playing. "If you had told me at the beginning of the season that we'd be here, I'd have told you that you were nuts," Lappas said. "We had a plan for three years. The blueprint was for the NIT next year and the NCAA's year after that. We're a little ahead of schedule."

There was some disappointment when Villanova's late dash failed to impress NCAA selectors quite enough. Lappas, though, would not listen to that and put a positive spin on the NIT bid.

"I believe in moving forward," he said. "We've always looked to the next one, and that was from Day One. This is a resilient group of kids who go out and play and have fun. They do what they have to do. And they look ahead."

"This is the perfect situation for us. We've won the NCAA. We've never won the NIT. This is an opportunity for our kids to do a

great thing for our school."

Villanova has some intriguing company in the NIT semis. First the Wildcats face Siena and high-scoring Doremus Bennerman, who averages 25.3 points per game. "Best little man in the country," Mike Deane said of his star.

Deane and Lappas are old MAAC conference rivals.

"I asked him what kind of defense he was going to use, man-to-man or zone," Deane said, nodding at Lappas. "He said he had something different. He must know something about the game that I don't know."

The first game of tonight's doubleheader matches Kansas State and Vanderbilt in what could turn out to be a shootout.

Askia Jones of K-State scored 62 points against Fresno State, nailing 14 of 18 3-pointers and smashing school and Big Eight Conference scoring records along the way.

Vanderbilt leads with Duke transfer Billy McCaffrey, who went over 2,000 points this season. McCaffrey has an NCAA championship ring from the 1991 Blue Devils and could complete a rare college basketball double if Vandy wins the NIT.

Blue Jays rally to beat Rangers in ninth

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — Toronto scored four runs in the top of the ninth inning against Texas relief ace Tom Henke for a 7-4 victory Sunday.

Henke, a former Blue Jays pitcher, came on to protect a 4-3 lead in the ninth. Instead of notching his first save of the spring, Henke allowed run-scoring singles to Alex Gonzalez and Randy Knorr

and a two-run single to Willie Canate.

The Rangers made two errors in the inning, one on a poor pickoff throw by Henke and another by left Toronto shortstop Manuel Lee. Henke also threw a wild pitch.

Junior Ortiz, playing his third game as a member of the Rangers, broke a 3-all tie with his first home run of the spring in the seventh inning.

Rob Butler knocked in two runs with a single and a triple for Toronto.

Chris James plated a pair of runs for Texas with a single and a sacrifice fly.

Jack Armstrong pitched the first seven innings for Texas, allowing six hits and three runs. He didn't walk a hitter while striking out six.

Robinson shoots Spurs past Blazers

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A team with no true center met a team with a great one. The result was predictable.

David Robinson awoke from a first-half slumber and scored 20 of his 36 points in the decisive third quarter Sunday night as San Antonio beat the Trail Blazers 107-95. The victory moved the Spurs into a virtual tie with Houston atop the Midwest Division.

"He was just unstoppable," Portland's Clyde Drexler said. "It lets you know what you're missing."

In the first half, Robinson was just 3-for-13 from the field and sat out the final 5 1/2 minutes with foul trouble. Still, San Antonio led 50-46.

"In the first half, I didn't feel like I could hit the side of the backboard. I wasn't attacking the basket," Robinson said.

He felt the pressure from his teammates. "At halftime, in the locker room, the whole team looked at me and said, 'We held our own without you. Now it's your turn,'" Robinson said.

This season, Robinson knows what is expected of him and just how good he can be.

"It's great this year," he said. "Because in games like tonight, I know I can go to a different level. I did in the second half."

In the third quarter, Portland couldn't slow Robinson. With Buck Williams, Clifford Robinson and Mark Bryant trying to guard him, Robinson made seven of 10 shots and all six of his free throws.

"I don't know what you're going to do," Williams said. "David Robinson is having an MVP season."

A 20-point third quarter didn't seem all that

remarkable to Portland coach Rick Adelman, not for David Robinson.

"A guy like that can get it anytime," Adelman said. "He's just an awesome player."

The Spurs used a 10-1 run midway through the third period to take control of the game and snap Portland's 11-game homecourt winning streak.

Drexler scored 22 points and Rod Strickland 16 for Portland, which hadn't lost at home since Jan. 30 against New York.

Reserve guard Negele Knight scored 18 points and Dale Ellis 17 for the Spurs, playing their fourth of five games in a row on the road and their second in as many nights. Knight scored 21 in San Antonio's 112-101 win at Golden State Saturday night.

San Antonio coach John Lucas said the victory was crucial against a team the Spurs could wind up playing in the first round of the playoffs.

"I can't say enough about how it feels to win this one on the road," he said.

The Spurs made a franchise record 24 of 24 free throws against the Blazers, including 10 of 10 by Robinson.

Robinson's inside basket capped a 10-1 run that gave the Spurs a 62-51 lead with 6:50 left in the third quarter.

Lloyd Daniels sank consecutive 3-pointers, then Robinson sank a 12-footer with 7:14 to play to put San Antonio ahead 91-77.

Drexler's 3-pointer with 5:08 left closed the Blazers to 95-86. But San Antonio scored the next six, with Dennis Rodman's rebound giving the Spurs their biggest lead of the game, 101-86.

Toronto, Chicago look strong, West is wide open

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

For six straight years, the American League has won the All-Star game. For six straight years, a lot of people have said it doesn't mean anything.

It does.
For a long time, the AL has been loading up with the best young talent in baseball. Ken Griffey Jr., Frank Thomas, Juan Gonzalez, Carlos Baerga, John Olerud and Tim Salmon are just some of the names, and almost every team seems to have at least one bright new star.

AL preview

While the NL has some top youngsters, like Mike Piazza, the balance of power in the majors has shifted strongly back to the AL. And that should make for some nifty races in the first year of realignment.

The Toronto Blue Jays, trying to become the first team to win three straight World Series since the 1972-73-74 Oakland Athletics, figure to be the favorites in the East until somebody steps up and beats them. Baltimore and New York, both boosted by off-season moves, could challenge and one of them may wind up with the wild-card spot.

The Chicago White Sox, winners of the West last season, should be the class of the Central because of their pitching and Frank Thomas. But improved Cleveland and solid Kansas City will contend.

The West, which lost the White Sox and Kansas City, is wide open. Seattle and Texas, the only AL teams along with Cleveland never to reach the postseason since the divisions split in 1969, each have enough to make the playoffs.

A team-by-team look at the AL, in predicted order of finish:

AL EAST

Toronto Blue Jays

Even without making any major moves in the winter — Greg Cadaret was the only player they added — the Blue Jays return the top three hitters in the league, all of their key pitchers, plus a couple of talented rookies. In all, that should be enough to win the division, although who knows whether it can win Cito Gaston an overdue manager of the year award.

John Olerud (.363, 107 RBIs, 114 BB), Paul Molitor (.332, 111 RBIs, 22 SB) and Roberto Alomar (.326, 93 RBIs, 55 SB) formed the first trio from the same team to finish 1-2-3 in the batting race this century. Joe Carter (33 HR, 121 RBIs), who joined Bill Mazaroski as the only players to end a World Series with a home run, broke his thumb when he was hit by a pitch in spring training, and may not be ready to start the season.

Carlos Delgado (102 RBIs in Double-A) may move from catcher to left field to begin the year. Fellow rookie Alex Gonzalez will share time with veteran Dick Schofield at shortstop.

Juan Guzman (14-3), Pat Hentgen (19-9) and Dave Stewart (12-8), who pitched in his last year, anchor the rotation. Duane Ward (45 saves) was bothered by biceps tendinitis in spring training.

Baltimore Orioles

The Orioles spent about \$45 million on free agents in the winter, and are eager to get back to the playoffs for the first time since 1983.

Lee Smith (43 saves for St. Louis) is expected to replace injured stopper Gregg Olson, who left for Atlanta. Rafael Palmeiro (37 HR, 105 RBIs for Texas) solidifies the spot at first base and Chris Sabo (21 HR for Cincinnati) does the same at third. Sid Fer-

nandez was tough to hit when he was healthy for the Mets, but came down with tendinitis in March.

Outfielders Brady Anderson and Mike Devereaux need to get back to their 1992 levels. Rookie Jeffrey Hammonds hit .305 in 33 games as rookie, and will start in right.

For those keeping count, shortstop Cal Ripken has played 1,897 consecutive games. If he does not miss a game, he would break Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130 in June 1995. New York Yankees

The Yankees made the trade they wanted for a starting pitcher, getting Terry Mulholland, although they may have left themselves short in the bullpen.

Mulholland (12-9, 3.25 ERA for Philadelphia) joins fellow left-handers Jimmy Key (18-6) and Jim Abbott (11-14) in a rotation that could also include Bob Ojeda. Despite pitching a no-hitter, Abbott was a disappointment last year, and so was Melido Perez (6-14).

Owner George Steinbrenner said this spring that he wants Abbott to cut down on his charity work and concentrate more on pitching. What would really help is a reliever — newcomers Xavier Hernandez and Jeff Reardon and Steve Howe are among the candidates to close.

Don Mattingly (.291, 86 RBIs) and Wade Boggs (.302) bounced back and Mike Stanley (.305, 26 HR) was a big surprise. Free agent Luis Polonia was signed to bat leadoff, although he's suspect in left field.

Detroit Tigers

As always, Cecil Fielder and friends will put some points on the board. The question is whether newcomer Tim Lincecum and the other pitchers can stop the other teams from scoring.

Fielder (30 HR, 117 RBIs) has seen his homer total drop every year since he hit 51 in 1990. Still, he's a force, as is Mickey Tetleton (32 HR, 110 RBIs, 109 BB) and Travis Fryman (22 HR, 97 RBIs). Alan Trammell (.329) and Lou Whitaker (.290) are productive at age 36, and Tony Phillips (.313, 132 RBIs) had a .443 on-base percentage, second in the league to Olerud's .473.

Belcher (12-11 with Cincinnati and the White Sox) was signed to help steady a staff that includes Bill Gullickson and Mike Moore, both 13-9. Manager Sparky Anderson hopes to preserve stopper Mike Henneman (24 saves) by using him only one inning at a time.

Boston Red Sox

The Red Sox signed Otis Nixon in hopes of speeding up the offense, although Boston really needs Roger Clemens to quickly return to form.

Clemens (11-14) hopes to rebound from his worst season and perhaps win his fourth Cy Young Award, which would tie Steve Carlton's record. Danny Darwin (15-11) and Frank Viola (11-8) were Boston's best pitchers last season.

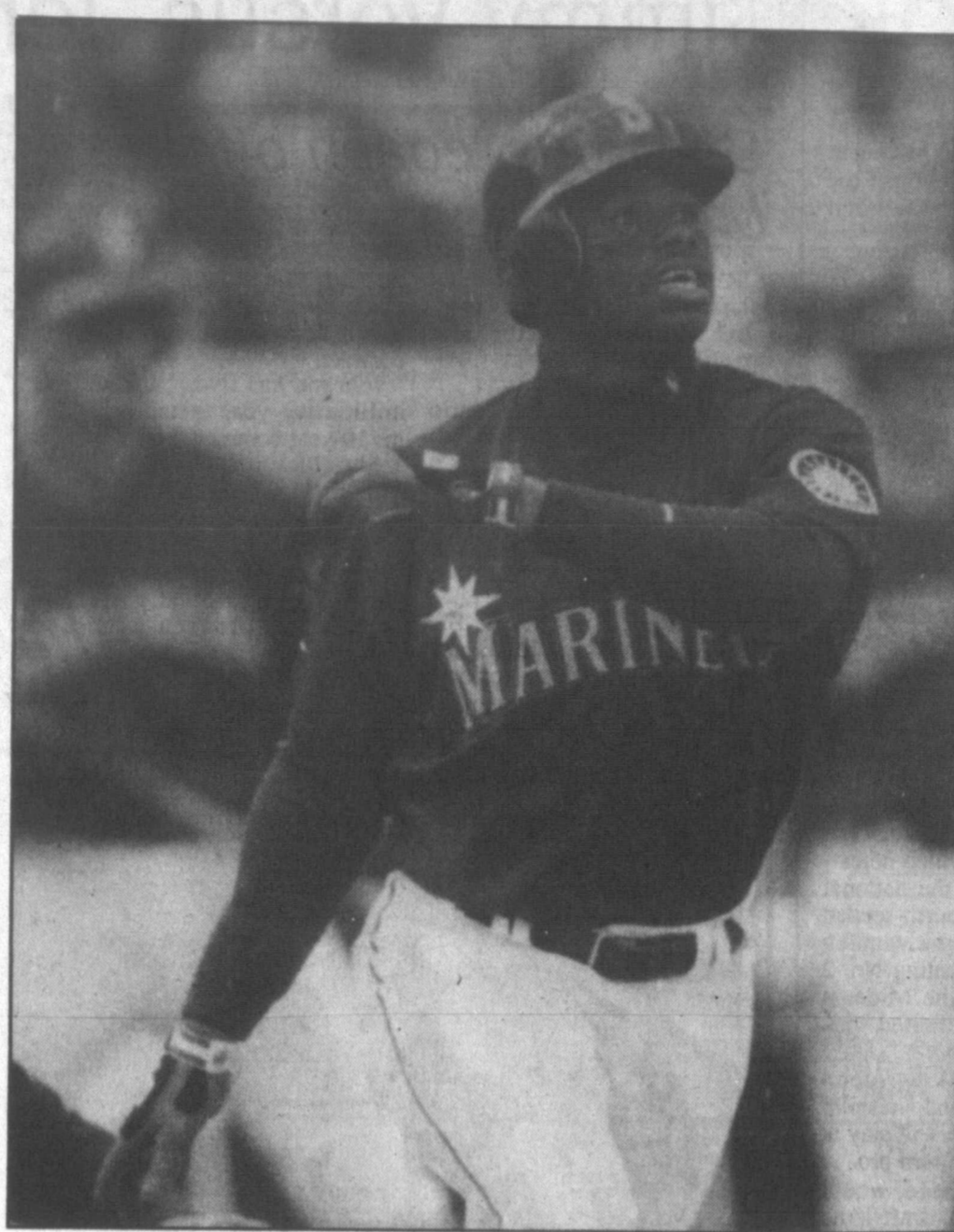
Nixon (47 SB with Atlanta) will bat leadoff and roam center field. The Red Sox want Mo Vaughn (.297, 29 HR, 101 RBIs) and Andre Dawson (67 RBIs) to drive him in. The Red Sox tied for last in the league with 114 homers last season and stole only 73 bases, and need all kinds of help.

AL CENTRAL

Chicago White Sox

Some teams that are projected for greatness spend years trying to reach the top and never make it. Others, like the White Sox, fulfill expectations right away by finishing first.

Cy Young winner Jack McDowell (22-10), Alex Fernandez (18-9), Wilson Alvarez (15-8) and rookie Jason Bere (12-5) formed the youngest playoff rotation ever. The problem



Ken Griffey Jr. is a four-time All-Star at age 24 for the Mariners. (AP photo)

will be filling the lefty role in the bullpen, now that Scott Radinsky is out with Hodgkin's disease.

Frank Thomas (.317, 41 HR, 128 RBIs, 112 BB) became the 10th player to unanimously win the MVP award. Free agent Julio Franco, a lifetime .300 hitter, was signed to bat behind Thomas. Gold Glove third baseman Robin Ventura (94 RBIs, 105 BB) and slick shortstop Ozzie Guillen (.280) round out a nice infield.

Lance Johnson (.311, 14 triples) and Tim Lincecum (.306, 21 SB) key the outfield. No telling whether rookie Michael Jordan will join them at any time this season.

Kansas City Royals

If the Royals can find a way to avoid their usual slumps at the start of the season, they could win the Central, even without George Brett.

Vince Coleman, banished by the Mets, may thrive again on Midwestern turf. Newcomer Dave Henderson (20 HR for Oakland) also joins the outfield, and Bob Hamelin (29 HR at Triple-A) will take Brett's spot as the designated hitter.

Kevin Appier (18-8), David Cone (11-14, 3.33 ERA) and Tom Gordon (12-6) form a strong three in the rotation. Jeff Montgomery (45 saves) has emerged as one of baseball's best closers.

Cleveland Indians

The Indians expected to make a lot of money in their new ballpark this season, and already went out and spent some of it for new players. There is a lot of excitement in Cleveland, although it may not result in the team's first postseason play since 1954.

Eddie Murray (100 RBIs for the Mets), Dennis Martinez (15-9 for Montreal) and Jack Morris (7-12 for Toronto) join a club loaded with talented, young players.

Albert Belle (38 HR, 129 RBIs), Carlos Baerga (.321, 114 RBIs) and Kenny Lofton (.325, 70 SB) give the Indians a potent top of the lineup. Sandy Alomar Jr. can help, too, if he stays injury-free for the first time in four years.

Jose Mesa (10-12) is the only pitcher from the Indians' staff last season who reached double figures in wins. Charles Nagy can do it this year if he comes back from injuries.

Eric Plunk, Jerry DiPoto and Derek Lilliquist form a makeshift bullpen. On the field, and certainly off it, the Indians may not get over the 1993 tragedies that killed pitchers Steve Olin, Tim Crews and Cliff Young.

Minnesota Twins

Twice in the last few years, the Twins came out of nowhere and won the World Series. Once again, Minnesota does not look like much going into the season, although Tom Kelly always manages to get the most from his teams.

Kirby Puckett (.296, 89 RBIs), Dave Winfield (21 HR, 76 RBIs) and Kent Hrbek (25 RBIs) are back again, along with steady Chuck Knoblauch (.277, 29 SB). Matt Walbeck, acquired from the Cubs for Willie Banks, takes over from Brian Harper at catcher.

Kevin Tapani, Scott Erickson and Jim Deshaies all had losing records. Rick Aguiera (34 saves) and Shane Mack (.276) continue to attract trade interest.

Milwaukee Brewers

Without Robin Yount, Brewers fans may not have much to look forward to this season.

Ted Higuera, 35, has missed most of the last three seasons because of a torn rotator cuff, but might be ready to come back. Greg Vaughn (30 HR, 97 RBIs) could provide some excitement, as could Brian Harper (.304) if he's forced to chase fly balls in left field.

Cal Eldred and Ricky Bones were .500 pitchers and Jaime Navarro was one game below break-even. Bill Wegman (4-14) was a disappointment.

AL WEST

Seattle Mariners

No team in the majors may have gotten such a big break from realignment as the Mariners, who have had only two winning seasons in their history.

Ken Griffey Jr. (309, 45 HR, 109 RBIs) is a four-time All-Star and four-time Gold Glove winner at age 24. Jay Buhner (27 HR, 98 RBIs) and Eric Anthony (15 HR for Houston) make up a potent outfield.

Seattle should have the best pitching in the division with Randy Johnson (19-8, 308 strikeouts), Dave Fleming (12-5), Greg Hibbard (15-11) and Chris Bosio (9-9). The Mariners' big worry is the bullpen, where Erik Plantenberg and Bobby Thigpen are the candidates to close.

Texas Rangers

The Rangers feature a fearsome middle of the lineup; their problem is that the pitching staff, minus Nolan Ryan, might not be as good.

Juan Gonzalez (.310, 46 HR, 118 RBIs), Jose Canseco (10 HR in 60 games) and Will Clark (73 RBIs for San Francisco) can hit. Canseco, who tore ligaments in his elbow, definitely cannot pitch.

Kevin Brown (15-12) and Kenny Rogers (16-10) were consistent and Roger Pavlik (12-6) was a nice surprise. Tom Henke (40 saves) was the closer that Texas wished it had found a long time ago. Bruce Hurst may help.

Ryan will be missed at the new ballpark in Texas. Truthfully, though, in his last couple of years, the Rangers were never exactly sure when he would be able to start, or for how long.

Oakland Athletics

After falling from first-to-worst, the Athletics have good reason to believe that 1994 won't be so bad.

The big key is Mark McGwire, who had averaged 36 home runs in his career before a heel injury limited him to 27 games last season.

Oakland helped itself by trading Rickey Henderson to Toronto for hot pitching prospect Steve Karsay late last season, then re-signing baseball's best-ever leadoff man.

Bobby Witt (14-13) was the only Oakland pitcher to reach double figures in wins. Dennis Eckersley (36 saves, 4.16 ERA) was hittable, and is now 39.

California Angels

Their record may not show a whole lot of improvement, although the young Angels might be moving up.

Rookie of the year Tim Salmon (31 HR, 95 RBIs) will be joined in the lineup by Bo Jackson (16 HR for the White Sox). California hopes Jackson can play full-time in left field with his artificial hip, which might mean a lot of running for center fielder Chad Curtis (48 SB).

Mark Langston and Chuck Finley each won 16 games. They might've won a few more if the Angels had kept stopper Bryan Harvey.

Scoreboard

Bowling

HARVESTER LANES — LEAGUE RESULTS

HARVESTER WOMEN'S LEAGUE			
Team	Won	Lost	
Gas & Go	70	42	
H & H Sporting	66 1/2	45 1/5	
Loeke Cattle Co.	60	55	
Play More Music	49	63	
Keyes Pharmacy	47	65	
Graham Furniture	43 1/2	68 1/2	

Week's High Scores

High game: Nell Henderson, 210; High series: Nell Henderson, 529; High handicap game: Nell Henderson, 242; High handicap series: Betty Cox, 658.

HITS & MRS. COUPLES

Team	Won	Lost
J & J Motor	31 1/2	16 1/2
Rug Doctor	30	18
Pizza Hut	29	19
Safety International	26	22
Danny's Market	24 1/2	23 1/2
Apple	24	24
Northeast Pharmacy	24	24
The C.O.'s	26	26
Hi Plains Printing	23	25
Dale's Automotive	16	32
Clemens Home Repair	15	33
R & R Roustabout	15	33

Week's High Scores

High game: Men — David Wortham, 268; Women — Jackie Broadbus, 195; High series: Men — Earnest Byars, 683; Women — Rita Steddum, 644; High handicap game: Rick Bryant, 244; High handicap series: Becky Hilton, 613.

Basketball

NCAA TOURNAMENT

ALL TIMES EST	
EAST REGIONAL	
First Round	
At Nassau Coliseum	15
Uniondale, N.Y.	15
Connecticut 64, Rider 46	
George Washington 51, Alabama-Birmingham 46	
Pennsylvania 90, Nebraska 80	
Florida 64, James Madison 62	
At US Air Arena	
Landover, Md.	18
Friday, March 18	
North Carolina 71, Liberty 51	
Boston College 67, Washington State 64	
Temple 61, Drexel 39	
Indiana 84, Ohio University 72	
Second Round	
At Nassau Coliseum	
Uniondale, N.Y.	19
Saturday, March 19	
Connecticut 75, George Washington 63	
Florida 70, Pennsylvania 58	
At US Air Arena	
Landover, Md.	20
Sunday, March 20	
Indiana 67, Temple 58	
Boston College 75, North Carolina 72	

Regional Semifinals

At Miami Arena	Friday, March 25	Florida 69, Connecticut 60, OT
Regional Championship		
At Miami Arena	Sunday, March 27	Florida 74, Boston College 66
SOUTHEAST REGIONAL		
First Round		
At Rupp Arena	Lexington, Ky.	Thursday, March 17
Wake Forest 68, College of Charleston 58		
Kansas 102, Tennessee-Chattanooga 73		
Purdue 58, Central Florida 67		
Alabama 76, Providence 70		
At The Suncoast Dome		
St. Petersburg, Fla.	Friday, March 18	
Marquette 81, Southwestern Louisiana 59		
Kentucky 83, Tennessee State 70		
Duke 82, Texas Southern 70		
Michigan State 84, Seton Hall 73		
Second Round		
At Rupp Arena	Lexington, Ky.	Saturday, March 19
Purdue 83, Alabama 73		
Kansas 69, Wake Forest 58		
At The Suncoast Dome		
St. Petersburg, Fla.	Sunday, March 20	
Marquette 75, Kentucky 64		
Duke 85, Michigan State 74		
Texas 91, Western Kentucky 77		
At Thompson-Boling Arena		
Knoxville, Tenn.	Thursday, March 24	
Duke 59, Marquette 49		
Purdue 83, Kansas 78		
Regional Championship		
At Thompson-Boling Arena	Knoxville, Tenn.	Saturday, March 26
Duke 69, Purdue 60		
MIDWEST REGIONAL		
First Round		
At Kansas Coliseum	Wichita, Kan.	Thursday, March 17
Maryland 74, Saint Louis 66		
Massachusetts 78, Southwest Texas State 60		
Michigan 78, Pepperdine 74, OT		
Texas 91, Western Kentucky 77		
At The Myriad		
Oklahoma City	Friday, March 18	
Oklahoma State 65, New Mexico State 55		
Tulsa 112, UCLA 102		
Georgetown 84, Illinois 77		
Arkansas 94, North Carolina A&T 79		
Second Round		
At Kansas Coliseum	Wichita, Kan.	Saturday, March 19

Maryland 95, Massachusetts 87

Michigan 84, Texas 79	
At The Myriad	
Oklahoma City	Sunday, March 20
Tulsa 92, Oklahoma State 80	
Arkansas 85, Georgetown 73	
Regional Semifinals	
At Reunion Arena	Dallas
Friday, March 25	
Arkansas 103, Tulsa 84	
Michigan 78, Maryland 71	
Regional Championship	
At Reunion Arena	Dallas
Sunday, March 27	
Arkansas 76, Michigan 68	
WEST REGIONAL	
First Round	
At The Dee Events Center	Ogden, Utah
Thursday, March 17	
Syracuse 57, Hawaii 78	
Wisconsin-Green Bay 61, California 57	
Second Round	
At The Dee Events Center	Ogden, Utah
Thursday, March 19	
Syracuse 64, Wisconsin-Green Bay 59	
Missouri 109, Wisconsin 96	
At ARCO Arena	
Sacramento, Calif.	Friday, March 18
Virginia 57, New Mexico 54	
Arizona 81, Loyola, Md. 55	
Louisville 67, Boise State 58	
Minnesota 74, Southern Illinois 60	
Second Round	
At The Dee Events Center	Ogden, Utah
Saturday, March 19	
Syracuse 64, Wisconsin-Green Bay 59	
Missouri 109, Wisconsin 96	
At ARCO Arena	
Sacramento, Calif.	Sunday, March 20
Arizona 71, Virginia 55	
Louisville 60, Minnesota 55	
Regional Semifinals	
At The L.A. Sports Arena	Los Angeles
Thursday, March 24	
Missouri 98, Syracuse 88, OT	
Arizona 82, Louisville 70	
Regional Championship	
At The L.A. Sports Arena	Los Angeles
Saturday, March 26	
Arizona 92, Missouri 72	
The Final Four	
At Charlotte Coliseum	
Charlotte, N.C.	Seminfinals
Saturday, April 2	
Florida (29-7) vs. Duke (27-5), 5:40 p.m. or 30 minutes after first game	
Arkansas (29-3) vs. Arizona (29-5), 5:40 p.m. or 30 minutes after first game	
Championship	

Monday, April 4

Semifinal winners, 9:20 p.m.

Track

HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

Miami girls and Groom boys won six-man division championships last weekend at the West Track Meet.
Miami girls won the large school division.
Area individual results
Girls
(Six-man division)
Team totals: 1. Miami, 145; 2. Follett, 85; 3. Groom, 70; 4. Silverton, 60; 5. Channing, 59; 6. Valley, 43; 7. Adrian, 35; 8. Hedley, 27; 9. Lefors, 14; 10. (tie) Hartley, 10; Fort Elliott, 10; McLean, 10; 13. Higgins, 4.
Discus: 2. Lunsford, Miami, 93-11; 4. Helfer, Lefors, 81-10; 5. Wheeler, Miami, 81-8 1/2.
High jump: 1. Conrad, Groom, 5-0; 4. Gill, Miami, 4-4.
Long jump: 3. Conrad, Groom, 14-5; 4. Barton, Miami, 14-4 3/4.
Triple jump: 2. Barton, Miami, 30-11; 3. Kauk, Miami, 30-5.
Shot: 2. Lunsford, Miami, 32-3 1/2; 3. Gill, Miami, 30-11; 4. Fields, Groom, 30-7 3/4; 5. Lyles, Lefors, 29-6 1/2.
400 relay: 1. Miami, 5:53.2; 3. Groom, 5:56.3; 800: 1. Harris, McLean, 2:49.78; 2. Conrad, Groom, 2:53.41.
400: 2. Murray, Lefors, 70.48; 4. Moore, Miami, 5. Wheeler, Miami, 74.22.
Boys
(Six-man division)
Team totals: 1. Groom, 124; 2. Valley, 73; 3. (tie) Clarendon and Miami, 66; 5. Lefors, 54; 6. McLean, 58; 7. Fort Elliott, 37; 8. Channing, 25; 9. Hartley, 22; 10. Silverton, 6; 11. Adrian, 4; 11. Wheeler Christian, 4; 13. Higgins, 1.
800: 1. Ritter, Groom, 2:15.77; 4. Blasingame, Miami, 2:18.22; 5. S. Ritter, Groom, 2:18.88; 6. Helton, Fort Elliott, 2:19.66.
110 hurdles: 4. Burgin, Groom, 19.86; 5. Stribling, Miami, 20.6



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Eyewitness Leanne Dolan, center, is comforted by friends outside Hallgarth School in Middlesbrough, England, Monday after a man brandishing a knife entered the school and attacked students. (AP photo)

Man arrested after allegedly killing British school student

MIDDLESBROUGH, England (AP) — A man armed with two knives burst into a middle-school classroom and stabbed a girl to death and wounded two others today before being overpowered by teachers, police said.

Sky Television News said the man was masked and also had a gun, but police refused to confirm the report.

Police Supt. Maurice Jones said there was no obvious motive for the attack at Hall Garth School in Middlesbrough, about 180 miles north-east of London.

He said the man entered a classroom where 25 students ages 12 and 13 were studying math. The man ordered the male teacher out of the room, then apparently lined the children up before the girl was slain, Jones said.

Two teachers subdued the 29-year-old man and held him until police arrived, Jones said.

The two injured girls, both 13, suffered stab wounds but the injuries were not life-threatening, police said. A boy was being treated for shock.

Playwright Eugene Ionesco, master of absurd, dies at 81

By DAVID CRARY
Associated Press Writer

PARIS (AP) — Playwright Eugene Ionesco, one of the masters of the theater of the absurd, died today in Paris. He was 81.

His family said he had been hospitalized, but declined to give details about the cause of death, which was reported by the Culture Ministry.

Ionesco captivated audiences worldwide with a unique blend of black humor and farce that he used to dramatize the stifling world of middle-class conventionality.

Perhaps his best-known play was *The Bald Soprano*, in which two married couples, the Smiths and the Martins, sit around exchanging basic axioms such as "The country is quieter than the city."

It was performed more than 25,000 times since it opened to catcalls in 1950.

Ionesco plays were almost always controversial. After a performance of *The Lesson*, where the Professor spends an hour verbally assaulting his pupil, his 40th "victim" that day, the leading actor had to escape the theater via a back door when an outraged audience demanded its money back.

Ionesco's international stature was confirmed with *Rhinoceros* (1959), a play where everyone but the two protagonists turn into aggressive pachyderms. The play was seen as Ionesco's response to the rise of Fascism in pre-war Romania.

"When people no longer share your opinions, when you can no longer make yourself understood by them, you have the impression of being confronted with monsters — rhinos, for example," he once said. "They have that mixture of candor and ferocity. They would kill you with the best of consciences."

Ionesco was a fervent believer in human rights and a longtime foe of political tyranny. His work conveyed what he viewed as man's struggle to survive in a society he said formed barriers between human beings.

Ionesco was born in Slatina, Romania, on Nov. 26, 1912, the son of a Romanian lawyer and a French mother. Shortly after his birth, the family moved to Paris, so French became his first language.

He did not learn Romanian until after returning to Romania at 13, by which time he had already written his first play in French.

Ionesco grew up on the Left Bank of Paris near the Luxembourg Gardens where he would spend afternoons watching Punch and Judy puppet shows.

"I could stay there, entranced for whole days ... spellbound by the sight of these puppets that talked, moved and clubbed each other," he wrote in 1958. "It was the spectacle of the world itself."

Ionesco was an anemic child, and was sent to live on a farm in La Chapelle-Anthenaise, a small country village where he dreamed of becoming a saint, then a warrior. It was there that he first "played theater."

Ionesco finished high school in Romania and studied French at the University of Bucharest. He wrote poems, and dabbled in literary criticism, publishing two pamphlets with opposing views on Romania's leading writers. He became a high school French teacher.

In 1938, Ionesco obtained a government grant to study in France and write a thesis on "sin and death in French poetry since Baudelaire." He moved to Paris, but never wrote a single line.

During World War II, he worked for a French publishing house, reading fiction, going to movies, art galleries and concerts in his leisure time. But he stayed away from the theater because the "presence on stage of flesh-and-blood people embarrassed me."

Ionesco wrote his first play in 1948, and it was inspired by his experience learning English. The play, which became *The Bald Soprano*, was filled with whole sentences taken from his grammar book such as "the ceiling is up, the floor is down."

The play, first performed in 1950, closed after six weeks.

It has since become one of the world's longest-running plays, with comic techniques familiar to millions the world over: a whole family all called Bobby Watson, a maid who says "I am Sherlock Holmes" and the legendary scene between a married couple, who, after a feat of logical deduction, discover that since they live in the same street, house, floor, room and share the same bed, they must be man and wife.

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Lawmaker to push for spending reforms for regents

DALLAS (AP) — After hearing reports of questionable spending by Texas A&M University System regents, a state legislator has decided to push for a law to limit such expenditures.

State Rep. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, said the method of financing regents' expenditures at state-supported universities is a "byzantine system" that was purposely created to obscure accountability.

"There's a relatively simple solution for this, and I'll push for this in the next session of the Legislature," said Ogden, who holds a master's degree in business administration from Texas A&M.

In a copyright story in Sunday's editions, *The Dallas Morning News* reported that A&M System regents spent more than \$1.6 million over the past three fiscal years and used the mostly public funds for trips to resort hotels, limousines and bar bills.

Records obtained by the newspaper also showed that regents have spent more than \$900,000 in the past four years to crisscross the state in system-owned aircraft. The trips included flying Board of Regents Chairman Ross Margraves and his wife to their son's college graduation in Louisiana and one trip that cost seven times more than flying commercial.

Ogden, a member of the House

Appropriations Committee, said he'll work to "limit and attempt to define what we think is a reasonable amount of expenditures for regents not only at the Texas A&M University System but at other schools."

Business practices of A&M officials and regents have spawned criminal investigations by the Texas Rangers and the FBI.

The spending by A&M's nine regents was \$300,000 more than that of their colleagues at the larger University of Texas System. It also outdid that of all of the regents combined at the University of Houston, Texas Tech University and the University of North Texas, records show.

Money was spent on trips to resort hotels in Las Vegas, Colorado Springs, San Diego and Galveston for meetings of alumni and athletic booster groups. Regents spent \$631 for limousine rentals in Baton Rouge, La., \$144 for bar bills for three regents in Las Vegas and \$495 for food and drinks for one football game at Anaheim Stadium in California.

Margraves defended the board's expenditures.

"We try only to spend money on those things we feel are necessary and appropriate in our capacity as regents," Margraves said. "Whatever I turned in for reimbursement was something I felt was prudent."

Records also show heavy use of the A&M-owned airline King Air by Margraves, including a trip last year to his son's graduation.

According to flight logs, Margraves and his wife, Madeline, were flown from Houston to Baton Rouge, La., last Aug. 4 to attend their son's graduation exercises at Louisiana State University and to meet with LSU's chancellor "to discuss joint programs and cooperative efforts between LSU and TAMU Systems." The cost to the A&M System was \$1,435.

On another trip last year, regents Guadalupe Rangel and Raul Fernandez were flown from their homes in Corpus Christi and San Antonio to Houston for a meeting with Margraves and then were returned home. The cost to A&M was \$2,450. Had they flown commercially on Southwest Airlines, round-trip airfare would have cost about \$316, the newspaper said.

The Texas Rangers began its probe of A&M business practices last fall, after receiving an anonymous letter accusing Margraves and other A&M officials of using their positions for personal gain. Margraves denies the assertion.

Law authorities also are looking into whether Margraves and Robert Smith, Texas A&M's University's vice president for finance and administration, violated state or fed-

eral laws in taking trips to New York at the expense of Barnes & Noble Bookstores Inc., which won a multimillion-dollar contract to operate the A&M bookstore. The Associated Press first reported the trips in October.

The failure to report expenses related to those trips may have violated state ethics laws, authorities said.

In addition, two staff members of A&M's Board of Regents have been indicted on felony charges of tampering with government documents to cover up liquor purchases for the board, and Brazos County District Attorney Bill Turner said he expects more indictments.

Tom Smith, executive director of the government watchdog group Public Citizen, criticized the regents' expenditures as "luxuries" afforded state officials at the expense of state employees and students.

Public funds, he said, should be for "educating the students of Texas, not catering to the whims of the wealthy who happen to be on the board."

"There are kids who can't go to school because they can't afford state tuition and room and board," Smith said. "And while the lavish living of the regents isn't going to solve the problem, it may get a few more kids an education."

Italian voters burying old political order under mountain of ballots

ROME (AP) — Greed and power abuse finally killed Italy's old political way of life months ago. Its burial under millions of paper ballots has begun.

Two days of voting to elect a new parliament conclude today to settle who will now have the upper hand: conservative forces led by one of Italy's richest men or a left-leaning coalition built around former Communists.

"I voted for the left," said Rossana Ferrari, 64, outside a Rome polling station. "We already tried the right, and they were thieves. We tried the center and they were thieves. Let's try the left now."

But some voter preference polls earlier this month gave the edge to the right-wing Forza Italia (Go, Italy) party of tycoon Silvio Berlusconi, whose holdings include TV stations, publications, Italy's largest retail chain and movie houses.

The election marks one of the few profound

changes in Italian politics since World War II.

Two years of investigations involving corporate kickbacks and patronage wiped out the once-untouchable centrist coalition of Christian Democrats and Socialists. By the time elections were called in January, more than a quarter of the parliament members were under investigation.

The competition to fill the void was bitter and showed the possible difficulties ahead if — as expected — no party wins a majority of the parliament seats. Bonds between parties are fragile and breaks could bring about demands for another election.

But the verdict from the latest voting won't be known until after the last ballot is cast. A new law bars pollsters and media from revealing results of exit polls until after the voting ends at 10 p.m. (2 p.m. CST) today. Violators could face a five-year jail term.

Some people put off voting on the first day, which was Palm Sunday and the start of Passover, and turnout on Sunday was modest — about 32 percent. But many polling stations were crowded this morning, when most shops were closed. Turnout rose above 57 percent.

Berlusconi watched the soccer team he owns, AC Milan, lose 1-0 to host Naples. Police had to push back fans trying to storm the field to celebrate.

No major protests or election-related violence were reported. Although it was not entirely quiet.

The leader of a maverick political coalition, Marco Pannella, staged a sit-in outside the Rome newspaper *Il Messaggero*, which mistakenly placed his group in the category of right-wing parties in a front-page graphic. Pannella threatened legal action despite a public apology by the newspaper's director.

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