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U.S. delays threats on sanctions for China and Japan

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration backed away Saturday from immediately targeting China and Japan for possible trade sanctions and instead called for 60 more days of talks on unsettled issues.

But U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor said if those negotiations were not successful both countries would be put on target lists that could open the way for retaliatory tariffs.

The United States is unhappy with China because of its alleged piracy of U.S. copyrights and patents, which U.S. businesses contend cost them \$800 million in lost sales last year.

The dispute with Japan involves government purchases of telecommunications equipment and medical products. American businesses say they are not allowed to compete on an equal basis for government contracts in these two areas.

The issue of whether to name both countries as "priority" nations and thus trigger a timetable that could end in sanctions had been the subject of intense debate within the administration. The administration faced a congressionally imposed midnight Saturday deadline for deciding the issue.

Supporters of immediately targeting China and Japan pointed to the huge trade deficits the United States is running with both countries, \$60 billion with Japan and \$22 billion with China.

However, others in the administration said entering a trade fight with China would further complicate the administration's efforts to get the Chinese government to make human rights improvements by June 3, when President Clinton must decide whether to extend China's "most favored nation" trading status.

In the case of Japan, officials argued that new Prime Minister Tsutomu Hata's minority government was struggling for survival in the Japanese parliament so now was not the time to push for trade concessions.

The administration's decision essentially puts off action until June 30, by which time Kantor said he would target both nations if progress had not been made in negotiations.

Clinton urges hunters to help ban some guns

By NANCY BENAC
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WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton stepped up his campaign to ban assault weapons on Saturday, urging hunters in an open letter to help outlaw firearms "designed for the battlefield."

Stressing that he has been a hunter since age 12, Clinton offered assurances that he would "not allow the rights of hunters and sportsmen to be infringed upon."

But he added: "I know the difference between a firearm used for

hunting and target shooting and a weapon designed to kill people."

The Senate has approved legislation that would outlaw assault weapons, and a vote is expected in the coming week in the House, where proponents of the measure are still short of support.

Clinton and various Cabinet members have actively lobbied for the legislation with frequent public appearances. The president plans to intensify his efforts on behalf of the bill with a White House event on Monday, letters to newspaper editorial boards and individual lobbying

of swing lawmakers, aides say. "We're down to the wire leading up to the vote and the president is committed to seeing this passed," said spokeswoman Ginny Terzano. "You're going to see a greater push this week as the vote approaches."

The measure faces considerable opposition from the National Rifle Association and others arguing for more emphasis on catching criminals and less on gun control.

Republican Party Chairman Haley Barbour, appearing Saturday on CNN's *Evans and Novak*, said gun control was "a phony facade behind

which Bill Clinton wants to hide."

The legislation at issue would stop the manufacture, sale and new possession of 19 semiautomatic assault-style weapons, ban production of copycat models and limit detachable magazines to 10 rounds.

Clinton, in his letter, sought to blunt arguments by "high-paid lobbyists" that the bill would infringe on hunters' rights.

"The proposal I support specifically safeguards hunters' rights," he said. "It explicitly protects more than 450 hunting and recreational rifles from the ban."

He said the 19 forms of assault weapons that would be banned "have no place on a deer hunt, on a duck blind, or on a target range ... and they certainly don't belong on our streets, in our neighborhoods or on our schoolyards."

He urged hunters to tell members of Congress "you know the difference between a hunting rifle and a weapon that was designed for the battlefield."

The assault weapons ban is being debated as part of a broader anti-crime package moving through Congress.

Checking out the plane



Jon Hildebrandt, 4, gets a little help from his father three on display at the airfield as the DEW Line Bill while inspecting the cockpit of an L5 Stinson Squadron of the West Texas Wing of the Confederate Air Force which was on display at Perry Lefors Field Saturday. The 1940s era airplane was one of (Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Serbs attack British troops

By SRECKO LATAL
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SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) - Bosnian Serb soldiers attacked U.N. peacekeepers in Gorazde, and U.N. military observers warned Saturday the Muslim enclave was tense.

Highlighting the fragility of an agreement that averted NATO airstrikes, U.N. officials said British soldiers fought a gunbattle with Serb troops Friday southeast of the town, a quarter-mile inside Gorazde's 1.9-mile exclusion zone. As many as three Serbs were killed. There were no British casualties.

A Danish tank squadron also reported a 90-minute exchange of shellfire with Serb artillery near Tuzla, another Muslim enclave. No casualties were reported.

NATO gave the Serbs two deadlines for withdrawing from Gorazde. One that expired last Sunday required all Serb forces and their weapons to withdraw 3 kilometers, or 1.9 miles, from the town center. By Wednesday, they were to have removed heavy weapons from a 20-kilometer, or 12.4-mile, radius.

The United Nations later said it was satisfied with Serb compliance.

But a report from local U.N. aid workers, obtained by The Associated Press on Saturday, said military observers were continuing to find military equipment "in violation of the NATO ultimatum."

It also said military observers reported "burning of houses continuing" outside the 1.9 mile zone.

An eight-man British U.N. patrol came under fire Friday afternoon while patrolling inside the smaller zone, said Cmdr. Eric Chaperon, a U.N. spokesman in Sarajevo. They returned fire and tried to withdraw.

Chaperon said Serbs followed the patrol and fired on it again before the British peacekeepers successfully withdrew while returning fire.

A British spokesman at the U.N. base in Vitez said it was being treated as an isolated incident. He said there was no request for air support.

British officials said three Serbs were believed to have been killed in the shooting. Chaperon referred only to three casualties.

The local U.N. report said one Serb was killed and two wounded, and an Egyptian peacekeeper was wounded.

"The situation has been characterized by the (military observers) as tense and deteriorating," the report said.

It also said Serb civilians "continue to arrive to populate areas under their control." It said U.N. civilian affairs officers visited Hubjeri, in the northeastern part of the zone, "where up to 200 Serbs have returned ... accompanied by Serb militia."

Bosnian Serb authorities released copies of a letter to the U.N. relief agency demanding food, clothing and other emergency supplies for Serbs in the area, which is east of Sarajevo and not far from the Yugoslav border. The letter said 10,580 Serbs lived in the area before the war, but most had been forced to flee.

Washington Post sweeps awards in writing on religion

NEW YORK (AP) - The *Washington Post* swept the major awards given by the Religion Newswriters Association at its annual meeting Saturday night.

Post religion reporter Gustav Niebuhr won both the Templeton Reporter of the Year Award and the James O. Suple Memorial Award, honoring distinguished religion newswriting.

Laurie Goodstein, also a religion writer at the *Post*, won second place in the Templeton contest and shared second place in the Suple contest with Richard Scheinin of the *San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News*.

David Briggs, religion writer for The Associated Press, won third place in the Templeton contest, with David Crumm of the *Detroit Free Press* placing third in the Suple contest.

Lori Arnold of the *Daily Californian* in El Cajon, Calif., won the Louis Cassels Memorial Award for excellence in religion newswriting for smaller publications, followed by Matt Coker of the *Daily Pilot* in Costa Mesa, Calif., and Ann Velia of the *Las Cruces (N.M.) Sun-News*.

The *Houston Chronicle* won the Harold Schachern Award for the best religion section. Runners-up were the *St. Petersburg (Fla.) Times* and The *Clarion Ledger* in Jackson Miss.

Teamsters leadership votes to end strike

WASHINGTON (AP) - Truckers and loading dock workers began removing picket lines after the leadership of the Teamsters voted to suspend a nationwide trucking strike that began three weeks ago.

About 400 leaders of Teamsters freight locals across the country agreed to put a tentative contract agreement to a rank-and-file vote, but they declined to make a recommendation on whether it should be approved.

Teamsters President Ron Carey urged members to ratify the agreement, saying it increases wages, benefits and job security.

"I think it's a fair contract," he told reporters. "I think it's a contract members will approve."

He said he felt the leadership's failure to take a stand was tantamount to a recommendation to reject the agreement, however.

"It remains to be seen whether these local leaders really represent the views of the members," Carey said. "If the members want to reject this agreement and try to win more by resuming the strike, that's the democratic decision to make."

The strike was suspended as of 10 p.m. Friday

CDT. About 70,000 union drivers and loading dock workers walked off the job April 6.

Mail voting is expected to take about four weeks, Carey said. The previous contract will remain in effect throughout the voting.

Trucking Management Inc., which represented the 22 trucking companies involved in negotiations, said it was pleased with the leadership's decision.

"The tentative agreement constitutes the key step in regaining the carriers' ability to compete in a deregulated marketplace," said Arthur H. Bunte Jr., Trucking Management's president.

R.V. Durham, president of a Greensboro, N.C., Teamsters local, called the pact "the worst contract in the 30-year history of the national freight contract," but predicted members would approve it because of the financial hardship of the strike.

The agreement will cost members' jobs because it limits the union's right to strike and expands the companies' ability to use part-time workers and divert freight to railroads, said Durham, who ran against Carey in the last election.

"In an embarrassing vote of no confidence for (Carey), local union representatives of the strik-

ing freight members refused to endorse the concessionary settlement that he negotiated with the trucking industry," he said.

The agreement was reached late Thursday in Washington after management dropped its demand to hire more part-time workers at a lower wage, the union said. The companies had proposed using new \$9-an-hour part-time workers to work 24 percent of the hours now worked by full-time dock workers.

Under the agreement, wages would increase by \$1.30 an hour and benefits would go up \$1.90 an hour over the life of the four-year pact. Members of the Teamsters union currently earn an average \$17 an hour.

Pay for some "casual" or part-time workers would be frozen at \$14.45 an hour. One category of casual dock workers would receive 85 percent of normal wage increases.

The companies will be allowed to use part-time dock workers only after providing 40 hours' work to all regular employees.

Trucking companies won the right to send up to 28 percent of their freight to railroads, an increase over the previous 10 percent.

Clinton tries to polish up his foreign policy image

WASHINGTON (AP) - Pointing to progress in South Africa and Bosnia, President Clinton sought to polish his foreign policy image Saturday amid growing criticism from members of Congress and others.

Clinton, in his weekly radio address, said the United States had played a positive role in South Africa's transition to a non-racial democracy and that U.S. efforts in Bosnia "clearly generated new progress toward peace."

"This kind of vigorous American engagement and leadership remains vital, not only in South Africa but around the globe," he said.

In a separate one-minute radio message taped after his usual Saturday address, Clinton decried the "horrors of civil war and mass killings of civilians in Rwanda," where more than 100,000 people are

estimated to have been killed and 1.3 million forced from their homes.

"On behalf of all the American people I call on the Rwandan army and the Rwandan Patriotic Front to agree to an immediate cease-fire and return to negotiations aimed at a lasting peace in their country," he said.

Clinton said the United States

would "participate in the new negotiations" toward a peace agreement.

A senior administration official said the president's message was designed to send a message to Rwandans that "the world is watching" and that those responsible cannot function "in the shadows."

In his regular radio address, Clinton

said the administration was facing other foreign policy threats including North Korea's nuclear program and state-sponsored terrorism from Iran and other backlash states "with steadiness and resolve."

His address made no mention of critics' charges that the Clinton administration's foreign policy has been indecisive and wavering, particularly with regard to Bosnia and Haiti, where efforts to return ousted President Jean Bertrand Aristide to power have failed.

Clinton made no mention of Haiti in his radio address and said that American involvement in Bosnia was essential to peace efforts.

"That's why we've been working to spur negotiation among the warring parties and it's why we've harnessed NATO's power in the service of diplomacy," he said.

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Opposition strong on employer health care requirement

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The linchpin of President Clinton's health reform plan — requiring business to pay for coverage — appears all but dead in a key congressional panel despite Democratic offers to exempt small businesses.

Extraordinary arm-twisting by Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., the House Energy and Commerce Committee chairman, has failed to produce the 23 votes needed to push through a health reform plan with the so-called employer mandate intact.

"I believe it's dead. We just haven't had the funeral yet," said Rep. Jim Cooper, D-Tenn., the chief sponsor of a rival reform plan.

Said Rep. Billy Tauzin, D-La., another Democrat whom Dingell has been unable to convince: "He's at least one vote short, possibly a couple."

There are at least five, probably six of us (Democrats) who have indicated to him we could not vote for employer mandates."

Clinton is insisting that the best way to guarantee private health insurance for all Americans is to expand coverage in the workplace. He wants all employers to help pay for coverage for workers and their families. Most businesses would be required to pick up 80 percent of the premiums.

But small businesses stoutly have resisted the Clinton reform plan. There is almost blanket

opposition to an employer mandate among Republicans and considerable resistance among Democrats.

Dingell and Senate Majority Leader George J. Mitchell, D-Maine, both have floated compromises to exempt the smallest businesses from having to provide or pay for health insurance. Mitchell has suggested a possible 50-50 split of premiums between employers and employees.

Dingell has delayed marking up a bill in his 44-member panel until he was assured that he had the 23 votes to pass it. But he has been unable to find them among his 27 Democrats.

Cooper and Rep. Roy Rowland, D-Ga., back alternative plans. Tauzin and Rep. Ralph Hall, D-Texas, also were considered almost certain no's to any version of the Clinton plan, including Dingell's compromise.

Rep. Jim Slattery, a Democrat running for governor of Kansas, announced last week that he could not vote for an employer mandate even in Dingell's modified form.

Hall also says he won't vote for any mandates. "There's many other things wrong with the Dingell-Clinton proposal. It invades the contractual privacy of 80 percent of the people in this country who have insurance," he said.

Dingell has also had problems persuading Democrats Rick Boucher of Virginia and Richard H.

Lehman of California to back an employer mandate.

Tauzin said Dingell is "going to have to try again with a new approach if he's going to get a majority around a proposal on the left. ... If he wants a much broader majority (including Republicans), it's there waiting for him."

The House Education and Labor Committee and possibly the House Ways and Means Committee may approve reform bills with employer mandates, but it would bode ill for reform's chances on the House floor if Dingell cannot muster a majority in his panel.

If small businesses are exempted, then the government would have to boost subsidies for low-wage workers to buy their own insurance.

"It's pretty obvious that if the employer mandate is lowered, then you've got to make it up somewhere else," Labor Secretary Robert Reich said Friday.

But Reich and Robert Rubin, the president's assistant for economic policy, refused to discuss fallback positions for the White House.

"It's like a Rubik's Cube. If you move this piece, what does it do to all of the other pieces?" said Reich. He insisted that "there is movement toward employer responsibility."

Rubin predicted that "as we get closer and closer to the end of this, and all the negotiating and posturing is over, we will get very significant support from business."

WalkAmerica



Cindy Lehmann pushes her sons, Justen and Jordan, Saturday morning in the Pampa Mall during the local portion of the March of Dimes WalkAmerica fundraiser. Trailing Lehmann is another son, Jerod. About 150 people, primarily from local businesses, helped raise \$5,000 for the local arm of the charity. (Pampa News photo by Jeff Carruth)

Weighing catsup



Pampa Middle School eighth grade science students participated Friday in the field trial of a science performance task proposed for addition to the TAAS test. From right, Ty Kidwell, Shelbie Allison, Vera King and Alicia Lee determine the physical properties of catsup in Mrs. Cree's science classroom. (Pampa News photo by Jeff Carruth)

Christopher takes Israeli proposals to Syria

By BARRY SCHWEID
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DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Secretary of State Warren Christopher met with Syrian President Hafez Assad on Saturday to discuss Israeli proposals to break a deadlock in peace talks between the two nations.

Christopher delivered to Assad a proposal for Israel to withdraw from stages from the strategic Golan Heights and security plans to ensure the area is not used for attacks on Israeli villages.

Christopher also carried a list of complaints. They included U.S. allegations that Syria is looking the other way on drug trafficking in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley and concern for

increased counterfeiting of \$100 bills in Syria. Also on Christopher's list of issues were two perennial topics — terrorism and human rights.

Details of the nearly three-hour meeting were not available.

After midnight, Syria informed the U.S. delegation that Assad would give Christopher "some ideas" of his own late Sunday.

Christopher planned some sight-seeing earlier Sunday. He was expected to fly to Palmyra, an oasis city in the central Syrian desert, where the Romans defeated Queen Zenobia in the Third Century.

The Clinton administration, in a report to Congress, credits Syria with an improved record on both counts. Officials said Syria's record continued to improve this year. But the report, which covers 1993, keeps Syria on a list of seven countries promoting terrorism.

technology, energy and trade ties forged in the past between Syria and the Soviet Union.

Syria, with Soviet help, became a potent military power in the region, and also adopted a tough line toward Israel. The Clinton administration believes that stance is changing since the demise of the Soviet empire.

The new deal apparently includes spare parts for Soviet military equipment, but the extent of the resupply could be limited by a Syrian debt that Russia calculates at \$10 billion.

The Israeli proposals are likely to fall short of Assad's expectations. Israeli diplomats said the package did not include a pledge to relinquish all of the Golan Heights, as Assad demands.

Israel is offering to withdraw from the Golan Heights in three stages over eight years. Israeli television's Second Channel reported Saturday. In the first stage, three Druze villages would be returned to Syria, and in the second stage the Israeli settlements would be dismantled, the report said.

But Israel is not prepared to spell out how much it might yield of the land it captured in the 1967 Middle East war in the third — and final — stage of the withdrawal.

County commission to meet on Monday

Gray County commissioners plan to meet at 9 a.m. Monday to consider a 12-item agenda.

The court expects to consider filling the vacancy in the office of tax assessor/collector. They plan to address changes in signature authority for the office.

The office was vacated in late April due to the death of officeholder Margie Gray.

Also expected to address the commissioners is a representative of the U.S. Forest Service about Lake McClellan.

Other items include:

- A letter from Texas Association of Counties regarding an increase in premiums for law enforcement insurance.
- Discussion about an agreement with remedial action and state reimbursement for a water well in Precinct 1.
- Consider drawing additional names for membership on the salary grievance committee.
- Consider letter from Wharton County regarding the Texas Antiquities Code.
- Consider resignation and appointing replacement to the White Deer Land Museum board.
- Consider sale of delinquent tax property and pay salaries and bills.

St. Jude's trail ride rescheduled

The Third Annual Saddle Up for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital trail ride, which was scheduled to be held Saturday, April 30, has been rescheduled for May 7 due to bad weather.

Both riders and sponsors are still welcome, however, to help in the fight against childhood cancer and other diseases.

Every rider who turns in at least \$30 will receive a St. Jude T-shirt while riders earning \$75 will receive the T-shirt and St. Jude sports bag. Any rider turning in \$125 or more will receive the T-shirt, sports bag and a sweatshirt. Many of the prizes going to riders have been provided by St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Other prizes, such as the ones going to the rider who collects the sponsorship money, have been donated by area businesses.

In order to participate, a minimum of \$15 is required to ride. Registration begins at 8 a.m. the day of the event, with the trail ride beginning at 9 a.m. at the gas plant off of Texas 152 and FM 2386, toward Borger.

Lunch will be provided to participants and catered by the Cattle Call restaurant of Amarillo.

The trail ride is expected to end at approximately 3 p.m.

For more information, call Sharon Williams at 883-2235.

Rapper artist Tupac Shakur arrested again on gun charge

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tupac Shakur, a rap star with a history of legal trouble, was arrested after police stopped a car and found him with a loaded gun.

The rapper-actor already facing felony trials in New York and Georgia was arrested Friday night for investigation of having a concealed weapon, Lt. Tammy Tatreau said.

Shakur was jailed overnight and released Saturday on \$1,000 bail.

Police found a loaded 9mm pistol and less than a half-gram of marijuana, Tatreau said. They stopped the car for allegedly traveling 45 mph in a 25-mph zone.

Before the car came to a halt, officers saw Shakur "reaching under the seat in an effort to retrieve or conceal something," Tatreau said.

The driver, Maurice Harding, 26, also was jailed for investigation of carrying a concealed weapon, which is a misdemeanor, she said.

Harding was transferred to Parker Center of an undisclosed medical problem.

Shakur, 22, starred with Janet Jackson in *Poetic Justice* and in the recent release *Above the Rim*. His rap album, *2Pac*, was a big seller.

He was charged with sexual assault in New York after a woman said she was raped in his hotel room. He also faces two felony aggravated assault counts in the shootings of two off-duty police officers in Atlanta.

Shakur was convicted in August of possessing a loaded, concealed firearm and was sentenced to work on a state transportation road crew.

On May 10, he was scheduled to begin serving a 15-day sentence for an attack on a former boss.

Charges to be dropped against parents of child attacked by dogs

EMORY, Texas (AP) — Murder charges will be dropped against an East Texas couple who spent five years in prison for the death of their 4-year-old daughter, who experts now agree was attacked by dogs, the prosecutor said.

April Tucker died in 1989 after suffering multiple cuts and gashes all over her body, including a gaping wound on her right thigh, officials said.

Debbie Tucker Loveless Norris and John Harvey Miller were convicted of murder and sent to prison in 1989 for the death, but freed last year when the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals ruled they were improperly represented.

They were scheduled for a second murder trial in the case, starting Monday. But Rains County District Attorney Frank Long said he will drop the case.

Long declined to say why he will not proceed. But defense attorney Robert Ardis of Sulphur Springs said Long lacked evidence.

Miller, 47, and Mrs. Norris divorced while in prison. Miller said the breakup of his marriage was the biggest tragedy of his conviction.

"That may be the only thing I could never forgive them for. I guess that's one of the things they could never make up for," he said.

Miller said he's been very fair through this whole ordeal.

Though relieved, Miller said his ordeal is not over.

"Not until I see it in writing," he said of the dismissal. Even then, he said, "only part of it will be. The part of the last five years that we've lost, that's gone."

The couple contended all along that the girl, who was Mrs. Norris' child from a previous marriage, was attacked by wild dogs. Ardis, who handled the couple's appeals, said he found new emergency room photographs and other medical evidence that was never presented in their defense.

After studying that evidence, five forensic pathologists testified in an appeals hearing that the girl's wounds were consistent with dog bites.

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In his last book, Nixon criticizes religious right and left groups

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a book whose publication he did not live to see, Richard M. Nixon heaps scorn on the religious right for "their vehement stand against abortion."

But he also has little tolerance for the religious left. "Those who join the religious right may be dispatched to lie down in the entrance of an abortion clinic, while those on the religious left can help you arrange a demonstration against U.S. policy in Latin America," he wrote in *Beyond Peace*.

In his last words to the nation, Nixon offered tough solutions for dealing with crime and race relations, health care and "radical environmentalists." And he complained Hollywood promotes violence for profit.

"Hollywood is sick," Nixon wrote in his 10th book, completed only weeks before his death on April 22. Random House rushed the book into print and said it will be in stores this week.

"The depiction of violence and explicit sex sells, and Hollywood is in the business of making money," Nixon wrote. "By forgoing its responsibility to observe basic standards of decency, Hollywood has accelerated the decline of these standards in the community at large."

He warned that unless Hollywood cleans up its act, it inevitably will face censoring by government.

The 37th president, whose Watergate scandal eroded trust in government, said an institutional bias in the press "makes for excessively harsh criticisms of all politicians and public officials... We are taught to expect that editors, reporters and broadcasters have a unique capacity to ensure that they themselves act responsibly."

Nixon said he started the Environmental Protection Agency to find a balance between economic growth and protecting the environment but the pendulum has swung too far.

"Measures designed to protect endangered species such as bears, wolves, and the bald eagle are now being used to force Idaho farmers off their land for the sake of the thumbnail-size Bruneau Hot Springs snail," Nixon wrote.

He called "all 1,342 impenetrable pages" of the Clinton health care plan "a blueprint for the takeover by the federal government of one-seventh of the nation's economy."

The nation must face up to the fact that the breakdown of the family is worst in the urban underclass, Nixon warned, adding:

"Blacks are not the only members of this underclass, but they are the largest proportion of it. In 1992, half of all murder victims in the United States were black. Ninety percent were killed by other blacks."

He said blaming crime on poverty is a copout that is "morally corrupt and intellectually vacuous" and the solution lies in a resolve that "another lost generation will not take to the streets in the beginning of the next century."

Quilts galore



Mae Lou Franklin, Pampa, and Cleo Nix, Groom, admire one of the quilts featured Saturday at the Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild showing of quilts titled "A Spring Festival of Quilts III." The show, held in the Pampa Community Building, featured works of quilters from the Texas Panhandle area and included large quilts, wall hangings and quilted wearables such as vests, jackets, dresses and other items. (Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Presidential hopefuls get tryout at GOP conference

ATLANTA (AP) - Southern Republicans got a preview of the race for the 1996 presidential nomination this weekend as some of the most often-mentioned GOP contenders attacked President Clinton on a range of issues, including health care, crime and welfare reform.

Sen. Robert Dole of Kansas, Phil Gramm of Texas, former HUD Secretary Jack Kemp, former Education Secretary Lamar Alexander and South Carolina Gov. Carroll Campbell were among those attending the Friday and Saturday sessions of the Southern Republican Leadership Conference.

Although none of the participants have officially announced their candidacy, they left no doubt that they were using the conference to gauge their support in the South.

The South was a key part of Bill Clinton's victory over George Bush in 1992. Clinton won Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and his home state of Arkansas. The Republicans hope to retake some of those states in 1996.

"It's kind of like a state fair," Alexander said Saturday. "You go out

and do the best you can, as if you're a hog or a cow, and let other people make the decision."

Alexander, who served as governor of Tennessee for eight years before becoming President Bush's Education Secretary in 1991, said the event gave Republicans a chance to measure up possible presidential candidates.

"It's a chance for me to learn and listen and it's a chance for people to chew over what I have to say," he said. "It's sort of like choir practice or a rehearsal."

Alexander said he would not announce his intentions until after the elections in November.

Kemp said it was too early to begin talking about the presidential election. "We ought to take care of 1994 before we even think about 1996," he said. "If you want to change the direction of the country, change the Congress."

Kemp echoed Dole and Campbell, who both spoke Friday night, in his criticism of the Clinton administration, especially on health-care reform.

"I don't think we've had a president this century who understood less

about small business and entrepreneurship," Kemp said.

Alexander criticized the president for cutting defense spending and repealing the Bush administration's ruling that race-based college scholarships were unconstitutional.

Gramm slammed the president on welfare reform, crime, taxes and health care.

"While the rest of the world is debating how to get out of socialism, we are the only nation considering moving in," he said.

Gramm said he favored turning closed military bases into prisons by "putting up barbed wire and tents" and reforming welfare by forcing all recipients to work. He said the conference gave him, as a potential presidential candidate, a chance to see how other Republicans felt about such proposals.

"I believe that there are a lot of people who believe we need a dramatic change in policy in this country," Gramm said.

Kemp called on Republicans to reach out to minorities, especially blacks.

Hasting's preparing its Summer Reading Club

Hasting's Books, Music & Videos' annual Summer Reader Club will return to all Hasting's stores beginning June 1, according to program coordinator Liz Larson.

The program, now in its sixth year, was developed primarily for elementary school-aged students but is open to all interested young readers, who can sign up at any Hasting's location, including the Pampa store at Hobart and Randy Matson Avenue. Members will receive a Summer Reader Club membership card, good for a 30 percent discount on purchases of books.

The summer Reader Club has a civic-minded philosophy. "Hasting's is more than just a place to buy books," Larson noted. "If we can help kids learn to read better, then not only are we developing a potential customer but we're also making a better community."

The Summer Reader Club is designed to promote reading through cooperation with local schools. Shortly before summer vacation, Hasting's will send information kits to the schools near each of the nearly 100 Hasting's stores in

13 states. The kits include membership cards for all students, who only have to visit a nearby Hasting's to get started in the program.

Since the Summer Reader Club is just for the fun of reading, there are no minimum reading requirements. After each book has been read, the club member may write an optional book report on a form provided by Hasting's.

When the book report is returned to Hasting's, it becomes an entry for prize drawings at each store. The prizes vary in each area, and have in the past included items such as pencils, collectible figurines, boxed book sets and even bicycles.

The Club is run in conjunction with Hasting's Literacy Program, in which Hasting's matches contributions deposited by customers in jars on store counters. Larson sees the programs as both smart marketing tools and as a way to make a difference in the communities served by Hasting's.

The Summer Reader Club runs this year from June 1 to Aug. 27, and is one of Hasting's most popular events. For more information, contact any Hasting's associate.

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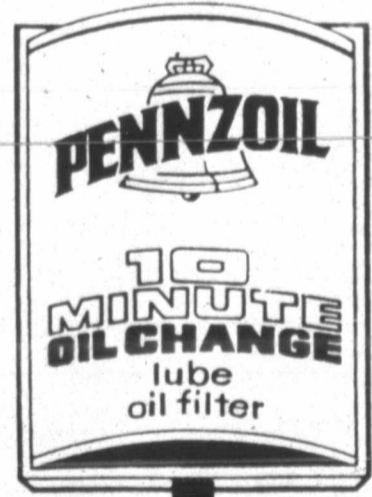
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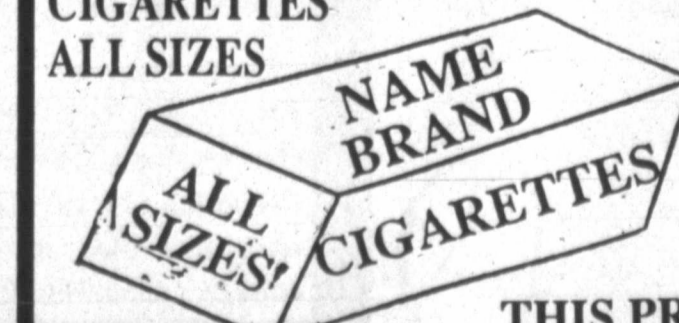
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M.K. Brown's rooms re-created



White Land Deer Museum Curator Anne Davidson sits in the re-creation of the living room that belonged to one of Pampa's early founders, M.K. Brown, and in which he lived in Pampa from the mid-1920s to 1937. Four rooms of Brown's apartment have been re-created in the upstairs part of the museum and have recently

opened to the public. The renovation was funded by the M.K. Brown Foundation, and the opening of these rooms is being supported by the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce's tourism committee for National Tourism Week, which is being observed May 1-7. (Pampa News Photo by Melinda Martinez)

Rebels close Rwandan border after refugees flee to Tanzania

NGARA, Tanzania (AP) — Fleeing weeks of ethnic slaughter in Rwanda, 100,000 men, women and children trudged into neighboring Tanzania on Saturday, lugging sacks of food, mattresses and cooking utensils along a narrow road to refuge.

The meandering river of humanity was sure to overwhelm international relief agencies, already staggered by the bloodbath in Rwanda, where at least 100,000 people have been killed in nearly a month of savagery.

Relief workers said Saturday they were already in desperate need of water, and that food supplies would last only four or five more days. The makeshift camp was a simple open space 10 miles from the Rwandan border, and the tens of thousands who have already arrived lacked any shelter.

The 250,000 Rwandans crossed the border in a 24-hour period in what the United Nations called the biggest, fastest exodus ever seen. The border was closed Saturday by Rwandan rebels, stranding tens of thousands of other Rwandans seeking to escape the slaughter.

The refugees included Hutus frightened by the advance of the mostly Tutsi rebels of the Rwandan Patriotic Front and Tutsis afraid of being massacred by militias or Hutu-run government forces.

"The border is closed, no more people are crossing," said Panos Moutzias, a spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Ngara.

"The UNHCR has sent a field officer to the border to try to negotiate, to find out what is happening on the other side and if the people on the other side will be allowed to cross the border," Moutzias said.

Tanzania borders Rwanda's east in central Africa. Some of the terrified refugees led goats, a few had cattle, including long-horned oxen. Most of them came only with what they could carry.

Their destination was a large, rolling open field of scrub and head-high elephant grass. It was there that the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees planned to establish the camp.

On hand to care for the tens of thousands already there were only 30 to 40 U.N. workers and staffers from the Tanzanian Red Cross, the Spanish branch of Doctors Without Borders and the International Committee of the Red Cross.

"We are very lucky because they are not damaged. They are in pretty good health, pretty good nutritional condition," said Etienne Krug, a UNHCR health coordinator.

"It seems they were prepared to come. They knew there was trouble. They came with food, jerrycans of water, blankets. That's good for us," Krug said.

Moutzias, the UNHCR spokesman, said there was a four or five day supply of food but a shortage of water. He said relief workers were desperately trying to arrange the transport of more water to the camp.

The Rwandan army fled without a fight in the face of the rebel advance into southeastern Rwanda and left the border unguarded for 24 hours. It was through this narrow window of time that the refugees crossed.

ANC predicts big victory as vote count begins in South Africa.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — The African National Congress brimmed with confidence Saturday as election officials started counting millions of paper ballots. For many ANC backers, the victory celebration had already begun.

The vote is expected to sweep ANC leader Nelson Mandela in as president of a new democratic South Africa. He would lead a coalition government that would include the current president, F.W. de Klerk.

Vote counting had been scheduled to begin at 6 a.m. Saturday, but many of the counting centers nationwide were just getting started at 6 p.m., and tallying in the port city of Durban was postponed until Sunday.

Officials, who blamed the delays on slow delivery of sealed ballot boxes to the designated counting centers, acted late Saturday to speed up the process. They scrapped a

requirement that polling officials verify that the number of ballots returned to the counting station matched the number of ballots distributed in advance.

The first returns gave an early lead to de Klerk's governing National Party. The bulk of those returns were from the Western Cape region that includes Cape Town, where mixed-race voters embraced the white candidate. The National Party had 18,996 votes to 14,043 for the ANC.

This trend was expected to be reversed as returns from the rest of the country start to pour in. Unofficial returns from one district in the Orange Free State gave the ANC 18,960 votes to 2,570 for the National Party.

There were an estimated 22.7 million votes to be counted nationwide. The Independent Electoral Commission, in charge of organizing the

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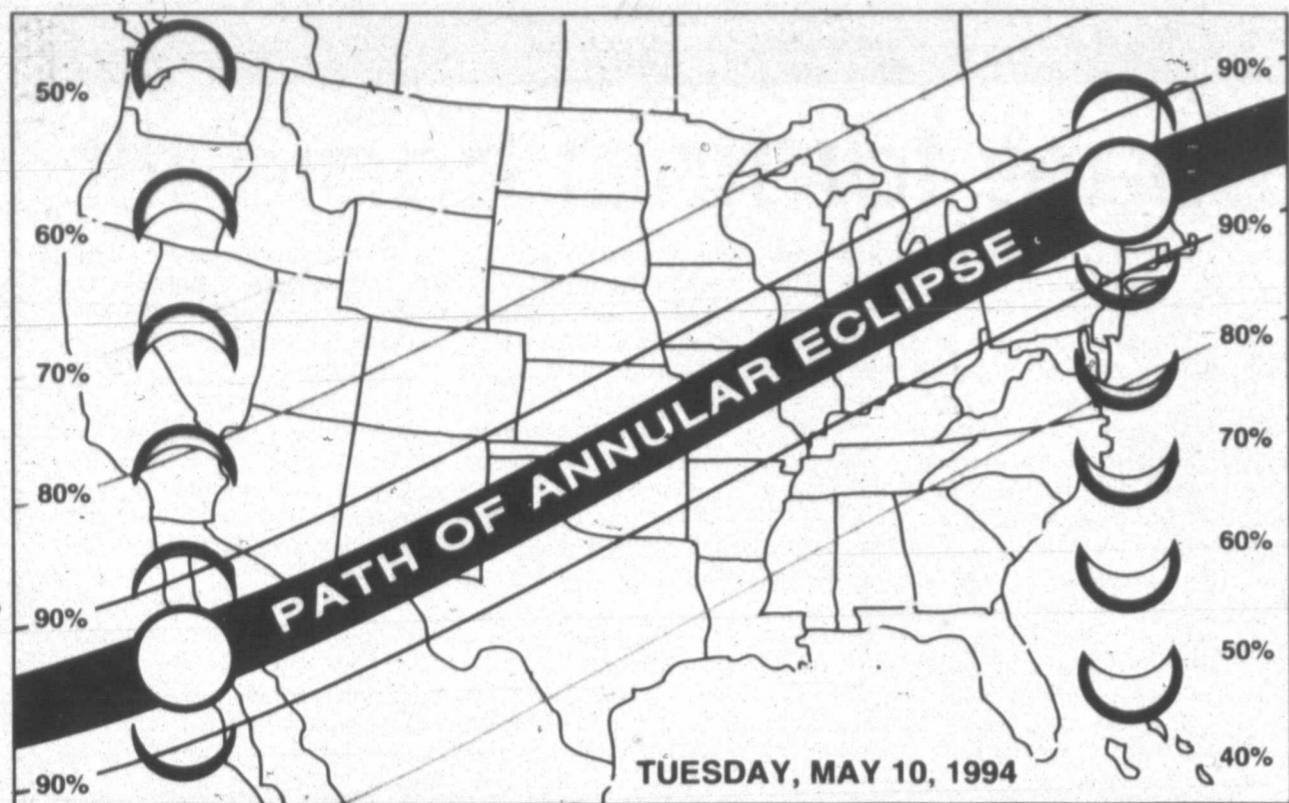
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A solar eclipse on Tuesday, May 10, will take place over the heart of North America, moving from northwest Mexico, across the United States and into southeast Canada. A partial eclipse will be seen north and south of the main annular path over the rest of the continent. (NEA graphic)

Solar eclipse poses potential hazards to eyesight

On Tuesday, May 10, a solar eclipse will be visible to most North Americans.

Doctors of optometry warn that viewing the sun directly, including viewing the various stages of an eclipse of the sun, can cause damage to the eyes that may result in vision loss and even blindness.

"The best way to see the eclipse safely is not to look at it directly," said local optometrist Dr. Diane Simmons.

"You can make a very simple viewing device out of a box that will allow you to watch the entire progression of the eclipse safely," she said.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the sun and the Earth.

When the moon partly covers the sun, people mistakenly assume they can watch the eclipse, unaware that rays from the parts of the sun still in view can burn the retinas of the eye and cause irreversible vision loss, Dr. Simmons explained.

To help eclipse fans view the event safely, Dr. Simmons is offering a free fact sheet with details on constructing a simple viewing box.

For information, simply stop by the office of Dr. Fred H. Simmons and Dr. Diane Simmons at 1324 N. Banks.

Alaska's losses focus of Exxon Valdez civil suit

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Five years after crude oil from the Exxon Valdez blackened Alaska waters, 10,000 fishermen, property owners and Alaska Natives are taking giant Exxon Corp. to court, seeking to prove the pollution damaged their culture and livelihood.

At stake in the civil trial opening Monday in Anchorage federal court is an estimated \$1.5 billion in compensatory damages and, plaintiffs' attorneys assert, more than 10 times that in punitive damages.

Houston-based Exxon, the world's largest corporation, has refused comment as the case was readied for trial.

Brian O'Neill, the plaintiffs' lead attorney, says the proceedings will captivate even people with no monetary interest because it's a caution-

ary tale of environmental disaster. "If something's not done, it will happen in your backyard next," O'Neill said. "This is corporate indifference and arrogance at its worst."

This is the first civil trial resulting from the accident March 24, 1989, when the tanker strayed from shipping lanes, ran aground on a charted reef and gushed almost 11 million gallons of North Slope crude into Prince William Sound.

Exxon has already paid substantial fines and cleanup fees. In 1990, faced with a federal criminal indictment alleging environmental crimes, the company agreed to pay \$100 million in restitution and \$150 million in fines.

The next year, it paid \$900 million to settle state and federal civil

claims over environmental damage.

The company has also spent an estimated \$2 billion to clean beaches and inlets in Prince William Sound and the Gulf of Alaska and to restore wildlife habitat.

The oil killed half a million birds outright and tainted an estimated 1,500 miles of coastline. Today, scientists still worry that oil trapped under hard-shell mussel beds will slowly leak and cause long-term chronic pollution.

"Money can't really correct all the harm done," John Havelock, a former Alaska attorney general who directed a state commission formed to examine the spill, said last week.

"I guess you could say the trial will show that a million dollars in prevention would be better than a billion dollars in court fines," he said.

Easy's Southside grand opening



Easy's Southside was officially welcomed to the Pampa business community by the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Gold Coats Friday morning. Being greeted by Gold Coats representatives Henry Urbanczyk (far left) and Phil Gentry (far right) are owner John Ferguson (center-left) and manager Jim Free (center right). Easy's Southside, which opened last week, will also be opened on Sundays and is located at 210 W. McCullough Ave. The shop features sandwiches, fountain drinks, candy, snacks, beer and other items. (Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Hispanics protest transit system's hiring of Michigan man

AUSTIN (AP) — Capital Metro — which operates the city's bus system — has rejected pleas from Hispanics and hired a Michigan transit official as its general manager instead of a Hispanic from within the agency.

On Friday, the board voted 4-2 to hire Michael Bolton, 46, executive director of the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority. Bolton has agreed to a three-year contract beginning at \$115,000 per year. He is expected to start work June 6.

Seventeen speakers and more than a dozen others came to the Capital Metro board meeting to urge hiring Ben Gomez, who has been with the agency for nine years and has been acting general manager since November.

Board Chairwoman Barbara Burton, who voted with the majority, said of Bolton, "We determined his leadership and his experience far exceeded anyone else that we interviewed."

Dennis Garza, a member of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, said the rejection of Gomez "insulted our entire community by essentially saying, 'You're not good enough.'"

Michael Von Ohlen, another member of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, cited figures to the board showing that the Ann Arbor transit authority is only about a quarter the size of Austin's, cost more

per rider to operate and contracts with fewer minority companies.

Capital Metro has an annual budget of \$72 million, operates about 360 buses and has about 800 employees.

The former general manager, Anthony Kouneski, resigned to become vice president and general manager of bus and light-rail operations with the New Jersey Transit Corp.

Denver airport opening may face longer delays

DENVER (AP) — The mayor considered postponing indefinitely the opening of Denver International Airport as technicians tried to fix its computerized baggage delivery system Saturday.

The opening of the \$3.2 billion airport has been delayed three times since Oct. 31, mostly because of problems with construction and training schedule setbacks.

The likelihood that it would open as scheduled May 15 appeared slim at best as a three-day test of the baggage system failed to get it working.

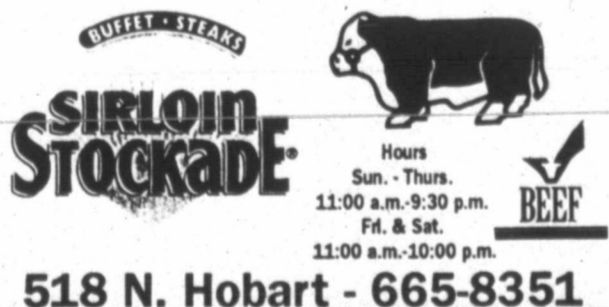
The test was aborted Friday because of the amount of jams that had developed.

Mayor Wellington Webb is expected to make a formal announcement soon, but not until after the weekend, city spokeswoman Amy Lingg said.

Both United and Continental Airlines suggested that the opening be postponed indefinitely.

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Bluegrass - music to warm the soul

By CHERYL
BERZANSKIS
News Editor

Area bluegrass musicians escaped Panhandle cold by going inside the Schneider House Apartments to play and sing but the warmth they bring inside cheers an entire room.

A group of musicians gather to play and sing on



Jack Selby on mandolin.

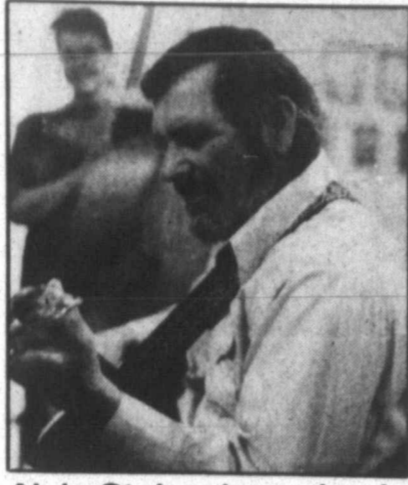
Thursday evenings in the lobby of the Schneider House because their original gathering place, the gazebo across Russell street got too cold in October. Residents of the apartment house welcome the fiddlers, pickers and singers with snacks and great appreciation for their talent.

"We like it," said Harvey Ivie, building resident and offspring of six generations of fiddlers, "I'm a violinist myself."

Ivie enjoys the sounds of bluegrass so much that he records for sale the sounds of the 10 or so singers and musicians who join in a circle of music.

Feet tap, residents sing softly unfamiliar tunes and join in heartily on the hymns.

Alvin Stokes, who says he can't read a note of music, has been playing



Alvin Stokes loves honky tonk music.

three chords on the guitar for 20 years. Stokes, the youngest of 12, is brother to men who played the Belvedere Club in the fifties before it burned.

"I just wanted to do it," Stokes said with a twinkled-eyed grin.

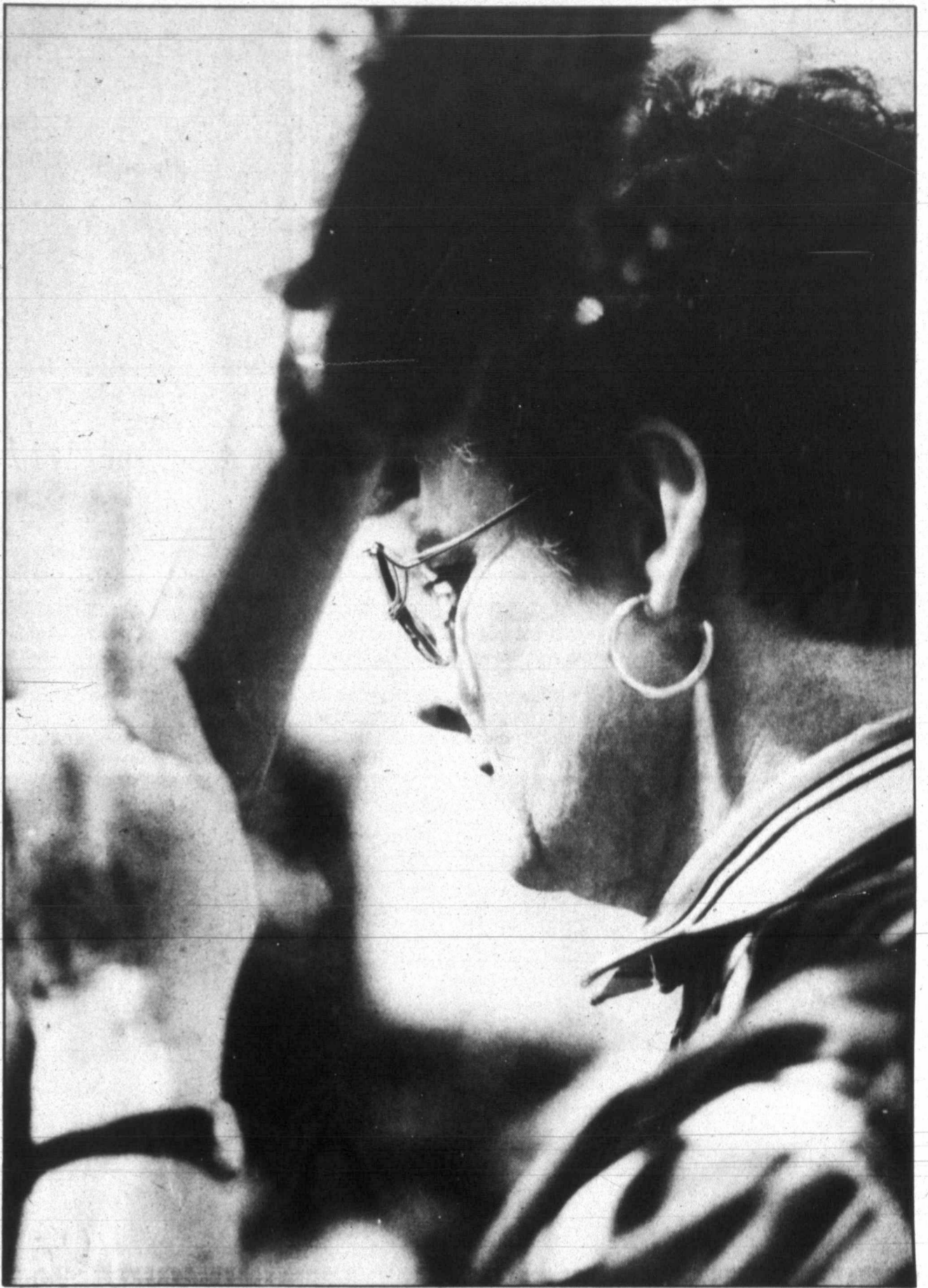
His favorite genre is beer joint dance music. Willie Nelson outshines the newest talent and Eddie Arnold was his childhood favorite, he said.

As the musicians play, Schneider House residents dance together. Wheelchair bound residents dance with Punkin Gilleland, an appreciative listener who comes for the music and fellowship, as she pushes them in rhythm to the beat.

The sweet harmonies of the bluegrass sound and the eternal themes of the little man's music - prison, infidelity and homesickness - are reflected in the evening's choices. "Rank Stranger," "Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain," "Jambalaya," and "Tennessee Waltz" seem to be familiar and beloved to tunes to musicians and listeners alike.

Musicians circle their chairs together inside the lobby to tune and harmonize. They hunch together to catch another's sound and match it or contrast with it for the loveliest tune. They take turns as feature musician on a piece.

J.B. Duckworth of Lefors



Carolyn Selby is a regular on bass at the Schneider House.

pulls out his fiddle for the Thursday meet.

"I never could play," he said, "I've been a-sawing about 50 years."

Sharing their love of bluegrass with Schneider House residents are Duckworth, Stokes, Vernon Camp, Jack and Carolyn Selby, Bob Reeves, Bill Bridgeman, Bill Barnett, Steve Duvoll, Charlie

Hutchinson, George Eggleston, Clay Conklin and Dixie Sims.

Lovers of bluegrass - musicians and listeners alike - are invited to come to the Schneider House at 7 p.m. Thursday for a toe-tapping good time.

Charlie Hutchinson, Fritch, is said to sound like Faron Young.



George Eggleston on guitar and Bob Reeves on harmonica.



Music makers circle around in the lobby of the Schneider House Apartments for an evening of bluegrass.

Photos by Darlene Holmes



RaNita Loraine Barnett and Tom R. Cook

Barnett - Cook

RaNita Loraine Barnett, Canyon, and Tom R. Cook, Canyon, plan to marry in July at First Christian Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Barnett, Pampa. The groom-to-be is the son of Ann Cook, Wheeler, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Cook, Cheyenne, Okla.

She is a 1988 graduate of Pampa High School and will graduate in May 1994 with an associates degree of applied science in dental hygiene. She is pursuing a bachelor's degree in pre-dentistry at West Texas A&M University.

He is a 1988 graduate of Wheeler High School and a 1992 graduate of West Texas State University with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He is employed as an accountant by Cornell and Company certified public accountants in Amarillo.



Ernest and Mary LaVerne Rose

Rose anniversary

Ernest and Mary LaVerne Rose are to be honored with a 50th anniversary reception today 2-4 p.m. at Church of the Brethren, 600 N. Frost.

It is to be hosted by their children Mike and Velda Poole, Amarillo, Merlin and Sharon Rose, Pampa, and Bill and Carol Campbell, Dallas.

Rose married the former Mary LaVerne Hubbard on May 1, 1944 in Miami. They have lived in Pampa 44 years. He worked 20 years for The Singer Co., retiring in December, 1968. She worked seven years for civil service, 18 years as a medical secretary for the Pampa Clinic and 14 years as administrative secretary for the Railroad Commission, retiring in December, 1989. She was a member of Professional Secretaries International.

They are a deacon couple at Church of the Brethren. They have seven grandchildren.



Mickey and Vivian White

White anniversary

Mickey and Vivian White are to be honored from 2-4 p.m. today with a 45th wedding anniversary reception in the fellowship hall of Calvary Baptist Church.

White married Vivian Gray on May 6, 1949 in Pampa. He worked for Pampa Post Office for 33 years, retiring from there. She drove a school bus for Pampa Independent School District for 31 years, retiring from that position. They are members of Calvary Baptist and Pampa Postal Credit Union.

They are the parents of Jane Nelson and Jim White, Amarillo, and Brenda Kelley, Pampa. They have seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



Alfred and Shirley Kelley

Kelley anniversary

Alfred and Shirley Kelley of Pampa were honored with a family dinner at Danny's Market Saturday in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary. It was hosted by their children Cliff and Michele Kelley and Deena and Brad Elliott, all of Pampa.

Kelley married Shirley Marie Lovejoy on May 2, 1959 in Yuma, Ariz. They have lived in Pampa since 1960. She was employed for 10 years with Alco until she retired in 1993. He has been employed at Hoechst-Celanese since 1966. They are members of Calvary Assembly of God Church. They have four grandsons.



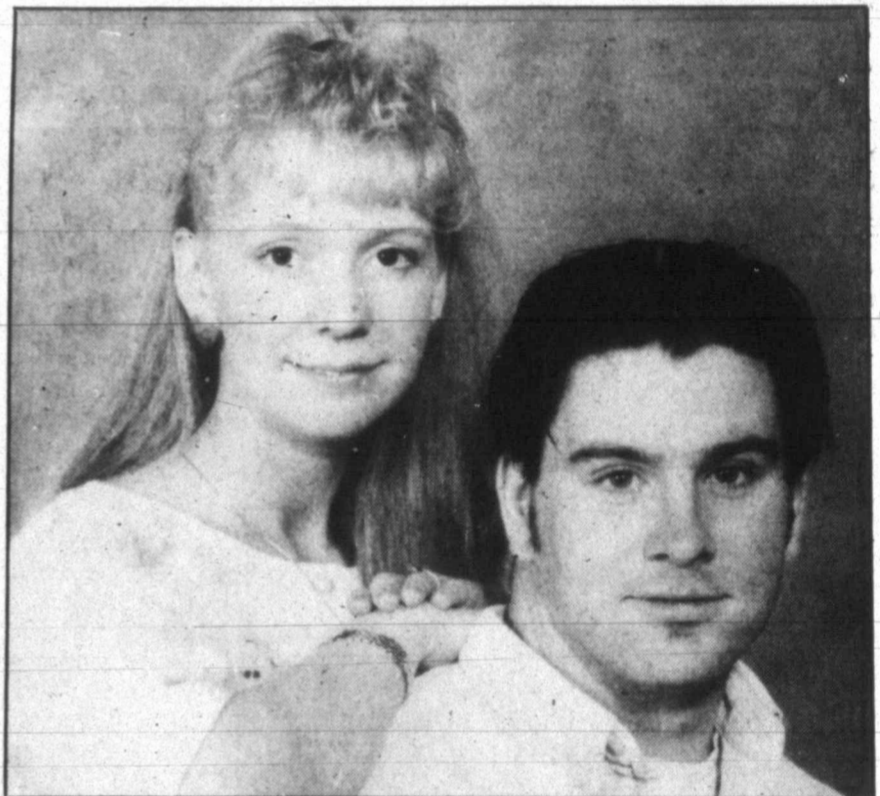
Lisa Kay Hinton and Clay Louis Bruno

Hinton - Bruno

Lisa Kay Hinton and Clay Louis Bruno, Dallas, plan to marry Aug. 6 in Dallas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Kay Hinton, Miami, and the late Wendell Hinton. The groom-to-be is the son of Camille Bruno and Don Bruno, both of Austin.

She is a senior operations specialist with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. He is a systems engineer with Electronic Data Systems.



Miki Lynne Rose and Timothy Davis

Rose - Davis

Miki Lynne Rose and Timothy Davis, Pampa, plan to marry June 13 at Chapel of the Fountain, Las Vegas, Nev.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rose, Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Parsley, Pampa. The groom-to-be is the son of Bill Davis, White Deer.

She is a graduate of Pampa High School. He is a graduate of Pampa High School and is employed by Halliburton Energy Services.

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Mr. and Mrs. DeWayne Partain and Nicholas Haines Andrea Haines

Haines - Partain

Andrea Haines and DeWayne Partain, Pampa, were married April 16 at the Pentecostal Holiness Church by Justice of the Peace Bob Muns, Pampa.

The bride is the daughter of Harold and Shirley Haines, Pampa. The groom is the son of Rick and Jane Partain, Pampa.

Serving as the maid of honor was Katrina Thompson, Canyon, Kendall Daniels, Pampa, was the flower girl. Tory Partain, Pampa, was the candlelighter.

Standing as best man was Clay Partain, Pampa. Serving as the ring bearer was the bride's son, Nicholas Haines, Pampa. Scott Harris, Pampa, and David Lewis, Artesia, N.M., were the ushers.

Vocalists for the ceremony were Johnny Woodard, Lefors. Mary Maggard, Pampa, was the musician. Laurie Stephens, Pampa, registered the guests. Serving the guests were Anna Saiz and Kelly Haines, both of Pampa, and Katy Vowell and Jeanine Lewis, both of Artesia, N.M.

The bride is a graduate of Pampa High School. The groom is a graduate of Beaver High School in Beaver, Okla., and is employed by the Coca-Cola Company.

A honeymoon was planned for Branson, Mo. The couple plans to reside in Pampa.

Mullanax - Graff

Melinda Ann Mullanax, Arlington, and Mark Darrell Graff of Spring and Grand Rapids, Mich., were married April 23 at the First United Methodist Church in Arlington with Senior Minister Dr. Don Pike officiating.

A reception followed at the Colonial Country Club in Fort Worth.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. Gayle Mullanax of Arlington and the granddaughter of Irene Mullanax, McLean, and the late Morris Mullanax, and Ruby Sanders and the late Cecil Sanders, Lubbock.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn D. Graff, Spring, and Mrs. Louis Casserly, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Emery Graff, all of Butler, Pa.

Serving as the bride's matron of honor was Susan Mullanax Riddles, Irvine, Calif., sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Susan Griebbe Mullanax, sister-in-law of the bride, Reno, Nev.; Kathleen Graff, sister-in-law of the groom, Spring; Catherine Bible, Columbia, Md.; and Natalie Arnold of Arlington.

The best man was Eric G. Graff, brother of the groom, Spring. Groomsmen were Greg Mullanax, brother of the bride, Reno, Nev.; Scott Riddles, brother-in-law of the bride, Irvine, Calif.; Brian Gordon, New York City; and Bert Quarfordt, Houston. Ring bearers were Ryan and Kyle Riddles, nephews of the bride, Irvine, Calif.

The bride is a graduate of The Oakridge School in Arlington and of Stephens College in Columbia, Md. She is a flight attendant for American Airlines. The groom is a graduate of Klein High School in Spring and Texas A & M University. He is an account manager for Kellogg Food Service.

After a honeymoon in the Virgin Islands, the couple will make their home in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Medications can help schizophrenia

By DR. GREGORY R. ALSIP
New York University Medical Center

Not all patients can be helped because schizophrenia represents a spectrum of psychotic illnesses that cause a variety of symptoms. But drug treatment has played a major role in helping many people with the illness avoid long-term institutionalization.

Most of the new drugs have a different mode of action than the older drugs for schizophrenia. The older drugs include the phenothiazines, such as chlorpromazine and fluphenazine. They act by blocking the activity of the neurotransmitter dopamine, which is one chemical that sends signals between brain cells.

New drugs are offering hope for persons with schizophrenia who do not respond to existing medications or are severely affected by their side effects.

Together, the new medications are extending the success of drug treatment for schizophrenia. Already, one of the new generation of anti-psychotic drugs, clozapine, is in use in the United States, although due to a rare, potentially fatal side effect, requires close monitoring. Several other agents are available, close to marketing approval, or in advanced testing.

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Documentary to focus on Gray County history

By MELINDA MARTINEZ
Staff Writer

Gray County's past and present is being documented in a video that will tell the history of the area's early pioneering and how the area has progressed from there.

Glen Ely of Forest Glen TV Productions, Inc., of Austin, arrived in Pampa earlier this week to begin filming the first part of a five part historical series on the county.

The production of this video was coordinated by Darlene Birkes and Eloise Lane, co-editors of the *Gray County History Book*, and is being financed through book sales and a grant from the McCauley Foundation.

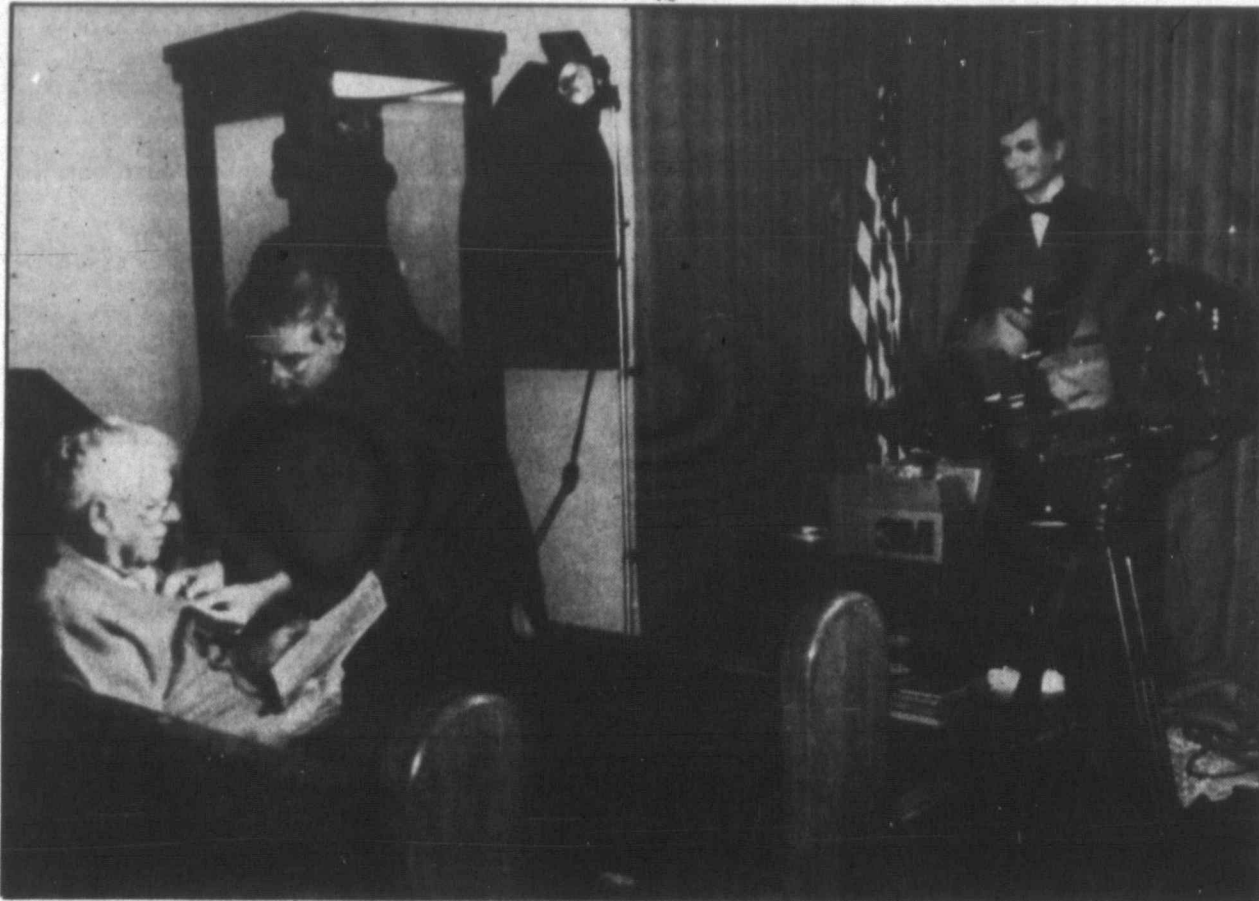
"We wanted to do something like this that could be used in the schools," explained Birkes.

Both she and Lane would like the video to be used as an educational tool so the children can learn about and understand the importance of their county's past.

Included in the production will be historical areas in Gray County such as the site where Indian battles took place; where the German sisters, held captive by Indians, were released; and the first site of Fort Elliott in eastern Gray County.

In addition to filming areas of local historical significance, Ely will be interviewing nearly two dozen people for the video.

"These are people that can relate to some facet of Gray County history," said Birkes. They were either related to some of the pioneers of the area or know some interesting historical facts. The research for this project was done locally by the Gray County History



Glen Ely places a microphone on Warren Hasse as Hasse looks over a script he is going to read from while narrating a video on Gray County. Hasse, a retired news broadcaster, is one of several local residents who will be narrating the video. (Staff photo by Melinda Martinez)

Book committee. This video will not only present the county's history but will feature current events such as the rodeo, Chautauqua, concerts, and exhibits to promote the area. Since production on the video will span over the year, it will also show the colors of the different seasons this part of Texas experiences.

Ely will be leaving Saturday but will return during the months of July, September, October, and early December to complete work on the documentary.

The video series is scheduled for release for public viewing Dec. 10. The 60-minute video will be accompanied by a musical background and commentary which

will be given by local area residents.

Forest Glen TV Productions, which specializes in Texas history, has won awards from the Texas Historical Commission. Their programs are in schools, libraries and colleges and are sold in National Parks and museums throughout Texas.

Dear Abby:

DEAR ABBY: I was outraged at your response to "Fearful in Florida," the secretary whose employer was being sued for sexual harassment. She stated that she and at least a dozen other employees must give a deposition soon, and they were fearful of losing their jobs if they came forward and told the truth.

Abby, your suggestion that "Fearful" talk with a lawyer before blowing any whistles was reasonable enough, but the lack of a comment to encourage her/him to speak the truth was disgraceful!

SHERIDAN, WYO., READER

DEAR READER: Many others share your misinterpretation of my advice. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I have just read your reply to "Fearful in Florida: who was agonizing over whether to tell the truth, which could result in being fired, or remaining silent and putting up with her boss's harassment."

Instead of encouraging "Fearful" to tell the truth, you told her to talk to a lawyer before she blows any more whistles.

Abby, how could you tell someone to keep quiet in that situation? I realize that jobs are scarce these days, but that's no reason to compromise one's principles and let bosses get away with such behavior.

KRISTY WETZEL, TEMPE, ARIZ.

DEAR ABBY: How could you! "Fearful in Florida" wanted to know whether to tell the truth in a sexual harassment case a former co-worker had filed. Your advise was to see a lawyer before blowing any more whistles. Why? The truth is the truth - and I fear that many will read your advice as a suggestion that they should conveniently "forget" what they saw.

Sure, "Fearful" has legitimate reasons to be afraid - an employer crass enough to fire a woman for refusing to have sex with him

indeed capable of firing others for telling the truth. If "Fearful" and her co-workers do not come forward and tell the truth, the victim and all other employees - present and future - will suffer.

I agree that telling the truth at the risk of losing one's job is not an enviable position. However, should "Fearful" and the co-workers tell the truth, they can stop the harassment and create for themselves a more decent work environment.

Fortunately, federal law recognizes the dilemma that many co-workers may face, and protects whistle-blowers against being fired for speaking out.

MARGARET A. HARRIS
HOUSTON ATTORNEY

DEAR MARGARET: Judging from the barrage of angry mail I received when that letter hit print, my response, "Before you blow any more whistles, I advise you to talk with a lawyer," was perceived as "wimpy" - or not sufficiently supportive of an employee who had been sexually harassed.

In my defense, I recommended that "Fearful" should consult a lawyer - for her own protection - before she blows the whistle.

To my surprise, a male Philadelphia lawyer supported my response.

DEAR ABBY: Your advise to "Fearful in Florida" to speak to a lawyer before blowing the whistle on her employer was right on.

However, I hope you go a step further: a deposition is a sworn statement given under oath in response to a series of questions. A deponent's obligation is to "tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth" just as surely as if sitting in a courtroom between judge and jury.

People who step forward and tell the truth in a difficult situation are heroes.

FREDERICK C. TIMM
PHILADELPHIA LAWYER

'Squabbles' performed in Borger

BORGER - A light-hearted play about a family's comical quarreling is opening - Boomtown Community Dinner Theatre's spring production on May 5, 6, and 7.

"Squabbles," by Marshall Karp, centers around Alice and Jerry Sloan, whose parents have to move in with them for various reasons. Alice's father, Abe Dreyfus, is a 72-year-old man with a heart condition who likes to argue about anything with anyone. Jerry's mother, Mil-

dred, is forced to move in with them because her house burned down. Alice finds out she is pregnant and that is when the humor of this family's situation begins.

Starring is Sam Cornelius as Abe Dreyfus; Linda Guest as Mildred Sloan; Phil Slaton as Jerry; Vicki Maupin as Alice; Beverly Cranfill as Mrs. Fisher; J. Scott Glenn, director and as Sol Wasserman; and Ruben Lara as Hector Lopez. Nathan Vickers will run the lights.

Nutritious, tasty food for toddlers is a challenge

Most parents know it is not always easy getting toddlers and preschoolers to eat nutritious foods, especially when many of today's foods come in fun-filled packages, all made to delight a child's taste buds.

Ensuring that young children have a healthy start is one of the most important responsibilities of a parent. Today's parents and other care providers face major challenges in feeding young children. The erratic eating behaviors of toddlers and preschoolers, social changes that place increased demands on parent's time, and recent emphasis on the relationship between diet and health, all contribute to parent's anxiety about feeding young children.

What is a good diet, anyway? After the first year, children do not need a special diet that is different from the rest of the family. Toddlers and preschoolers can eat the same foods as other family members if they are soft, moist, and easy to chew.

It is the variety of food, not the amount that counts. Dietary variety is the key to preventing nutrient deficiencies. Nutrients of special concern are fat, iron, calcium, and zinc.

Several federal and health professional organizations recommend that all children over two years of age reduce their dietary fat intake to no more than 30 percent of total daily calories. A diet containing 30 percent of calories as fat can support normal growth and development during childhood, provided that careful food selections are made and nutrient-rich foods such as meat and dairy products are included in the diet. Child nutrition experts agree that a sufficient diet for a child

Homemakers' News



Donna Brauchi

would include a variety of foods from the major food groups - bread and cereal, vegetable, fruit, meat, and dairy.

It's hard to know exactly how much food children need for normal growth. Preschool children and toddlers need the same variety of foods as older family members do, but they need smaller servings. A good rule of thumb is one tablespoon of food for each year of a child's age.

The following recommendations can be used as a guide for you meal plan: **Milk Group** - 2-4 servings daily - one serving equals 1/2 to 1 cup; **Meat Group** - 2-3 servings

daily - one serving equals 1 tablespoon for each year of child's age; **Vegetable Group** - 3-5 servings daily - one serving equals 1 tablespoon for each year of a child's age; **Fruit Group** - 2-4 servings daily - one serving equals 1 tablespoon for each year of a child's age; and **Bread & Cereal Group** - 6 or more servings daily - 1 serving equals 1/4 slice of bread for each year of age until age four and one serving of cereal equals 1 tablespoon for each year of life.

These amounts are only guidelines to go by. Some very active children may need slightly larger

servings. Sweets and fats should be limited. These foods provide calories and little else nutritionally.

The easiest way to establish good eating habits in children is to set a good example yourself and to provide a variety of healthful food choices.

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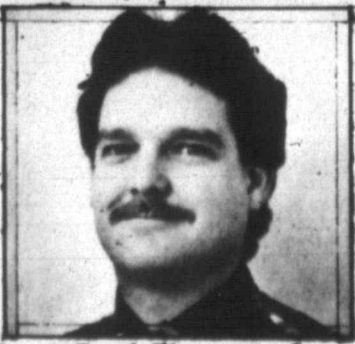
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ACROSS

1 Martinique volcano
6 Summits
11 Beginning
13 Actress —
14 Waiting —
15 China and Japan
16 Geological division
17 — over: studied
19 Dry, as wine
20 Remain
21 Sicilian volcano
25 Caine Mutiny author
26 Series of battles
27 Descend (2 wds.)
30 Lady —
33 Lazy
34 Raised areas
35 WWII area

DOWN

1 Swimming areas
2 Tennessee — Ford
3 Flowering tree
4 Protection (var.)
5 German for "one"
6 Tiny opening
7 Omit from pronunciation
8 Refreshing drink
9 Relatives
10 Deposit

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

You're taking ice skating lessons, Carmen?

Yeah... It's supposed to help my posture.

Well, is it helping?

Uh-huh. I'm learning how to lie absolutely perfectly flat on my face.

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

THAT WAS A GREAT MOVIE!

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FIGURES

ECK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

Y'KNOW WHAT I FIND SO INTERESTING ABOUT YOU?

YOUR BEAUTY HASN'T GONE TO YOUR HEAD.

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

RELIGIOUS CULT

THE CHURCH DOWN THE STREET FROM YOURS.

WILEY'S DICTIONARY

Astro-Graph
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not underestimate your competition today if you get involved in a competitive development. He/she could be stronger than you anticipate. Major changes are ahead for Taurus in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163 Be sure to state your zodiac sign.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't be discouraged today if your best efforts go unacknowledged or unrewarded. Proper recognition could be very difficult to come by at this time.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) Something in which you're presently involved is moving along reasonably well, but not necessarily as good as it could be. Making last minute changes might be harmful, not constructive.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone with whom you're closely associated might be marching to the tune of a different drummer today where objectives are concerned. This could be counterproductive for your alliance.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Progress is indicated today as long as you continue to operate along traditional lines. If you deviate or experiment you might regret it later.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you feel inclined to take commercial risks or gambles today, do so on familiar turf. When you step out of your bailiwick, poor results are a possibility.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It might be wise not to try to resolve a volatile issue today where you and your mate have strong opposing views. You may only make matters worse.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Co-workers might be a trifle more difficult to get along with today. Their attitudes could be the major factor, however, you may not be blameless either.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you lack fiscal discipline today there's a chance you could severely bruise your budget and not have funds available when they are truly needed.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Use tender tactics today when dealing with in-laws or members of your family. If you are abrasive or thoughtless, you might light fuses you'll wish you hadn't.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Upon occasion you sometimes blurt things out which are better left unsaid. Today might be one of those days, so guard your comments carefully.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) If someone offers you a lavish business proposal today, examine it with a fine tooth comb, because it could include a number of disguised pitfalls.

MARVIN **By Tom Armstrong**

RATS! I MISSED MY 2 A.M. FEEDING!

THE ORIGIN OF THE EXPRESSION "SNOOZE AND YOU LOSE."

ALLEY OOP **By Dave Graue**

THE DINOSAUR'S BEEN SPOTTED AND THE WHOLE AREA'S BEEN CORDONED OFF!

PIKE HAS SOME OF HIS ANIMAL PEOPLE FROM THE ZOO ON THE SCENE TRACKING IT!

BUT HE NEEDS SOMEONE WHO'S HAD EXPERIENCE WITH THE CREATURES!

YOU MEAN... OOP?

YES... OOP!

BEATTIE BLVD. **By Bruce Beattie**

"Too bad using this swing set isn't as much fun as watching you struggle putting it up!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS **By Bil Keane**

"Nice goin', Jeffy! The bird flew out but you let in millions of flies!"

MARMADUKE **By Brad Anderson**

"Say! Is he trying to bribe me?"

KIT N' CARLYLE **By Larry Wright**

READ ME

WINTHROP **By Dick Cavalli**

THIS MAN IS ARMED AND CONSIDERED DANGEROUS IF YOU SEE HIM...

RUN AND HIDE UNDER THE BED.

HARDLY THE SORT OF ADVICE YOU'D EXPECT FROM THE FBI.

CALVIN AND HOBBS **By Bill Watterson**

MOM, CAN WE GO OUT TO THE HIGHWAY?

DO WHAT?

SEE, I'LL PUT ON MY ROLLER SKATES AND TIE A ROPE FROM THE CAR BUMPER TO MY WAIST. THEN WHEN I GIVE YOU THE HIGH FIVE, YOU PATCH OUT WHILE I RIDE BEHIND AT 55 MPH!

WHAT DO YOU SAY? CAN WE GO?

I SURE WISH YOU COULD DRIVE.

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NOW WHAT'S WRONG?! YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO GO TO THE MOST EXPENSIVE RESTAURANT IN TOWN!

THE BORN LOSER **By Art and Chip Sansom**

HAVE YOU SEEN MY BASEBALL GLOVE? I'VE BEEN LOOKIN' FOR IT EVERYWHERE!

NO, I HAVEN'T, BUT YOU'LL PROBABLY FIND IT IN THE LAST PLACE YOU'D LOOK

OF COURSE I WILL! WHY WOULD I LOOK ANYPLACE ELSE AFTER I FOUND IT?

PEANUTS **By Charles M. Schulz**

AS SISTER AND BROTHER, WE'RE ALMOST LIKE A TEAM.

I'M THE MANAGER, AND YOU'RE THE WORTHLESS PLAYER WHO IS GOOD FOR NOTHING EXCEPT SITTING ON THE BENCH!

IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG SEASON.

GARFIELD **By Jim Davis**

GET READY FOR A FANCY GOURMET MEAL, GARFIELD

VOILA!

A HOT DOG DRESSED IN A LITTLE TUXEDO?

Corpus neighborhoods battle against economic 'engine' of refineries

By JOSH LEMIEUX
Associated Press Writer

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — From her front porch, Ada Mae Walford faces the city's other skyline.

Her rented, wood-frame house has no view of the gleaming hotels along Corpus Christi Bay or the mansions on Ocean Drive.

Instead, she looks at the enormous steel tanks, pipelines and smokestacks of nearby refineries — the main engine powering the economy here.

"The stuff is making me sicker and sicker," Mrs. Walford says. "I've got a rash all over my body and my eyes are bothering me. I can't sleep at night."

"The fumes," says the 64-year-old retired housekeeper. "Sometimes you think the gas is on in the house, but it's from the refinery."

She says her health problems will force her to move soon.

Citing fears of contamination, a nose dive in property values and a string of recent explosions, hundreds of residents like Mrs. Walford are joining lawsuits against Corpus Christi's five major refineries and some petrochemical plants.

Business leaders worry the looming battle threatens future investments in a city where two of every five nonagricultural jobs depend on petroleum industries.

"It's very sad because I can't see how people are going to win on this, except the lawyers," said Bernard Paulson, a retired president of Koch Refining Co.

Mayor Mary Rhodes said the lawsuits are an obstacle to her goal of negotiating industry fee hikes to pay for "buffer zones," created by buying out residents closest to the plants.

"Industries are not willing to sit down and buy up properties if they are going to get sued anyway," she said. "Some of the lawyers are telling people things that are not true. A lot of scare tactics are being used and some shyster behavior."

But at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, the Rev. Roy Malveaux says the residents were ignored for years.

Malveaux is executive director of People Against a Contaminated Environment, or PACE. The citizen's group formed this year to mobilize the residents, many of whom are older, poorer and minorities.

"It almost appears that somebody is holding us hostage to wait for the value of the property to go down," complained Malveaux, who said his own home was appraised at \$44,000 in 1982 but only \$29,500 last year.

He is exploring new legal actions based on environmental injustice — the claim that the minority-dominated neighborhoods are hardest-hit by pollution.

The refineries — Coastal Refining and Marketing, CITGO Petroleum, Koch Refining, Southwestern Refining and Valero Refining — account for 5 percent of the total U.S. refining capacity, generating \$236 million in direct personal income and \$180 million in state taxes each year.

The refineries and 10 other petro-

"I think they (the residents) definitely have been encouraged by attorneys. It's the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow."

— Bernard Paulson, retired, Koch Refining Co.

chemical plants have 8,200 full-time or contract employees and generate an estimated 53,000 jobs in related businesses on the Coastal Bend, said Gary Bushell, president of Corpus Christi Bay Area Economic Development Corp.

"It's the No. 1 engine that drives the economy," Bushell said, noting that refinery jobs are among the best-paying in the area.

Petroleum industries account for 90 percent of the traffic in the Port of Corpus Christi, the sixth busiest in the United States, measured in tonnage.

But as the industries have expanded along the port's 8-mile shipping channel, residents in adjacent neighborhoods say their property value — and some say their health — has deteriorated.

Augustin Gonzalez, 51, said he gets headaches from fumes released from the Southwestern plant, about 100 yards from the home he rents for \$20 a week.

"I can't move where I'd have to pay a lot of rent. That's why I'm living here," he said.

His neighbor, Robert King,

echoes the fears of many residents after four refinery explosions in as many months this year.

"All they are interested in is making some money," King said. "That stuff is liable to blow up while you're lying in bed some night and you don't know what happened."

CITGO spokesman Chuck Cazalas said that driving on Interstate 37, parallel to the refineries, is much more dangerous than living near the plants.

Battles between residents and refineries or chemical plants are common across the country. But Neil Carman, director of the Lone Star Sierra Club's clean air program, said Corpus Christi stands out because of the number of people living so close to the industrial complexes.

The number of people affected depends on one's opinion of how close is too close. The estimates of people living within unsafe reaches of the refineries range from a few thousand to 20,000.

Despite multiple laws regulating the industry, there is no standard governing how far people should live from the plants.

Extensive environmental monitoring shows that the neighborhoods aren't dangerous for residents, industry spokesmen and state officials say.

Charlie Spiekerman, area air program manager for the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission, said Nueces County has been within federal air-quality standards since the mid-1980s.

But Carman, a field investigator for the former state Air Control Board, said he's concerned about the levels of solvents drifting over the homes. Two lead-contaminated vacant lots also stirred community alarm.

"A complete sham" is how Carman describes the process of granting state pollution permits.

The state analyzes each permit without looking at the cumulative impacts of all the plants, he said, adding that permit applicants need only report average emissions for 24-hour periods.

"The 24-hour averaging does not show peak emissions that can make people sick," Carman said.

The refineries say for years they've been buying up adjacent homes as they become available.

Some are more aggressive than others. Koch spokesman Rich Tuttle said his company has spent \$25 million since 1981 to create a 2,000-acre buffer zone. Coastal and Southwestern, whose plants have had the

most recent explosions, have not undertaken or planned any large-scale buy outs, spokesmen said.

Many residents say the companies aren't offering enough for them to buy comparable dwellings in neighborhoods away from the refineries.

"That part may be true," concedes Tom Sands, administrative manager at the Southwestern plant. "What they get is less than what they need to relocate, but you have to look at what they are selling, too."

In the past year, a handful of law firms have sued the five refineries plus Amerada Hess Corp., Oxy Chemical Corp., Oxy Ch Corp., Occidental Chemical Corp., and American Chrome and Chemicals Inc.

The attorneys, who say they represent hundreds of clients, allege that the companies are polluting the air and ground water in nearby neighborhoods with cancer-causing toxins.

The lawsuits have been consolidated at the Nueces County District Court for "discovery" — the lengthy process during which attorneys gather information to prepare for trial or settlement negotiations.

Also, a state attorney general's 1992 lawsuit claiming that the Coastal plant emitted illegal amounts of benzene, a cancer-causing solvent, remains under settlement negotiations.



Food For Thought by Danny Bainum

Want to cook a fast meal? Start by putting a pot of water on to boil, said the late, great cooking teacher, James Beard. You're likely to need it for something, he explained—if only a cup of tea!

If you like frozen yogurt, you'll love this pie. Soften vanilla frozen yogurt so you can spread it in a chocolate cookie crumb crust. Top with 2 Tbs. (or more; we're not watching) chocolate sauce and freeze. Repeat with coffee frozen yogurt and still more chocolate. Freeze.

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