

Economy grows at 4.1% rate

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Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The economy grew at a strong 4.1 percent annual rate in the spring, but most of the expansion was from a large buildup in unsold goods that is expected to lead to slower growth, the government said today.

The Commerce Department a month ago estimated gross domestic product increased at a 3.8 percent rate in the April-June quarter, and today's upward revision was more than many analysts expected.

But the department said most of the change came from an additional \$3.9 billion in inventory investment, primarily farm cattle.

The second quarter growth was the largest since GDP increased 6.3 percent in the last three months of 1993. The economy grew at a 3.3 percent rate in the first quarter this year.

In another report today, the Labor Department said the number of Americans filing first-time claims for unemployment benefits fell an unexpectedly sharp 11,000 last week, pushing claims to their lowest level this year. The report said that 310,000 Americans filed initial claims for jobless benefits compared with 321,000 the week before.

Analysts said in advance of the GDP report they are surprised by the ability of the economy to expand in the face of a series of interest rate increases.

"We really haven't seen consistent impact or behavior from the higher rates," said Kermit Baker of Cahners Economics, a Newton, Mass., forecasting firm. "Frankly, we expected the interest rate hikes to have more of an effect than they did."

But analysts attached limited significance to the second quarter performance because increased inventories can slow growth if consumer demand does not deplete huge business stocks.

Many expect GDP to expand at a rate of around 2 percent in the current quarter that ends Friday.

The GDP measures the total output of goods and services produced in the United States.

A price gauge tied to the GDP rose at a moderate annual rate of 2.9 percent in the second quarter. The government also said that after-tax corporate profits increased \$38.2 billion or 7.3 percent, revised down from last month's estimate of 7.4 percent.

The Commerce Department also reported that today's upward revision in GDP was due in part to a \$1.1 billion increase in net exports and \$800 million in additional government spending.

But consumer spending was slower in the second quarter than previously believed as car buying eased.

Overall, the annual rate of growth in the second quarter was 5.3 billion. Of that, inventories accounted for \$33.8 billion, the biggest gain in more than six years.

Analysts expect production to slow in the second half of the year as companies try to work down the buildup in unsold goods.

"Arithmetic will work against a strong real GDP reading from the inventory side," said economist Michael Niemira of Mitsubishi Bank in New York City.

But there has been recent evidence that the expected slowdown in the second half of 1994 has not fully materialized.

On Wednesday, the Commerce Department reported that durable-goods orders surged 6 percent in August as demand for 1995 model cars and trucks helped propel orders for big-ticket items to their biggest advance in nearly two years. That more than wiped out a 4 percent decline in July.

The Federal Reserve has raised short-term interest rates five times since February, hoping tighter credit would forestall inflation caused by over-rapid growth.

The last increase on Aug. 16 pushed both the federal funds rate and the discount rate up by one-half percentage point, to 4.75 percent and 4 percent, respectively. The funds rate is the interest that banks charge each other. The discount rate is the Fed's charge for direct loans to banks.

Central bank policy-makers postponed a sixth boost at a meeting Tuesday. Analysts said unless there is a sharp drop in unemployment announced Oct. 7 or fresh signs of inflation, the Fed likely will wait until its Nov. 15 meeting to move again.



Rafael Ibarra poses in a San Diego grocery store, where he worked to earn money for college. (AP photo)

High school valedictorian, top college student faces test as illegal resident

By AMANDA COVARRUBIAS
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SAN DIEGO (AP) — Rafael Ibarra, high school valedictorian and top student at the University of Chicago, still faces one of his toughest tests yet.

Ibarra, an illegal resident of the United States for 14 years, needs an immigration judge to grant him a visa that would allow him to return for his sophomore year when classes start Monday.

"We really want him back," said David Owen, Ibarra's adviser at the University of Chicago. "We're hoping for the best. He's the kind of student we like to have here."

Ibarra, 20, graduated from high school in 1993 and won full scholarships from top colleges around the country.

When it came time to fill in applications, he acknowledged that he is a Mexican citizen and not a legal resident of the United States, where he has lived since his mother brought him in when he was 6.

The University of Chicago said it would take him anyway if he tried to legalize his status.

Ibarra asked the Immigration and Naturalization

Service for an international student visa. The INS arranged for an expedited hearing today before an administrative law judge because of Ibarra's academic standing, INS spokesman Rudy Murillo said.

The judge must weigh several factors, including the hardship that deporting Ibarra would create and how well he has assimilated.

In Chicago, about the only difficulties the biochemistry major had were adjusting to the rough Midwestern winter and school bureaucracy.

"He did remarkably well, considering all the distractions he had with the trial," Owen said.

Back in the ninth grade, Ibarra nearly dropped out. "I didn't see anything for me in school," he said.

Then he began winning wrestling and cross-country trophies, and as part of a racial diversity program, he was bused to a high school where he came in contact with upper-middle-class teenagers who considered higher education a given.

"That's when I decided I wanted to go to college," he said.

He said he earned A's and B's last year, giving him a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.6 out of a possible 4.0.

Report finds Congress wasn't misled on spy building

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government review has concluded that the CIA did not intentionally mislead Congress by secretly constructing a \$310 million office building for its spy satellite agency.

But the Pentagon-CIA review of the National Reconnaissance Office complex in suburban Virginia said the NRO failed to provide Congress with adequate cost data and that the

facility is vastly oversized. The study released Wednesday faulted the NRO for failing to follow common intelligence community budgeting guidelines.

It noted the office provided cost data when Congress requested it, but they "were not presented in a consistent fashion and did not include the same level of detail as comparable military construction requests."

Salvage workers search for sunken ferry wreckage

By MATTI HUUHTANEN
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TURKU, Finland (AP) — Salvage workers searched this morning for the wreck of the sunken ferry Estonia, as authorities asked grieving relatives to help identify dozens of bodies recovered from the frigid Baltic Sea.

Survivors — only about 140, mostly men, from a ship that had carried at least 964 people — dealt with memories of wailing children left clinging to the ship's railing, and wounded fellow passengers left bobbing in the sea.

A witness to the rescue effort said some of the victims were sucked into the propellers of boats that tried to reach them in rough seas.

Helicopters and ships from Finland and Sweden continued to criss-cross the area where the Estonia capsized and sank in a storm early Wednesday. But rescuers did not expect to find any more survivors of one of the world's worst maritime disasters. The water temperature was 46 degrees.

Andrus Maidre, a 19-year-old Estonian who was on a short pleasure cruise with friends before going into the army, talked in Turku Central Hospital about dragging himself up the stairs of the heavily tilting ship.

"Some old people had already given up hope and were just sitting there crying," he said. "I also stepped over children who were wailing and holding onto the railing."

There was still confusion about the number of people on board as well as the number of survivors. Finnish police said today they received an updated list from Estonian authorities that raised the number on board to 1,047 people.

Earlier Finnish authorities at the rescue operations headquarters in southwestern Turku said the provisional death toll in Wednesday's sink-

ing stood at 826, while the number of survivors was 138. But Swedish police said the number of survivors was 147, with 58 dead bodies found.

Much of the confusion about the number of survivors was because so many boats, ferries and helicopters were involved in the rescue.

"There were hundreds of bodies that were bobbing up and down in the sea. Many were dressed only in underwear and life vests," Hemming Eriksson, of Sweden was quoted as telling the Stockholm newspaper Aftonbladet. Eriksson was a passenger on the ferry Isabella, which helped with the rescue.

"Some of them moved, so you could see they were living, but we had no chance to bring them up in the heavy sea," Eriksson was quoted as saying. "The worst was when the bodies got sucked into the propellers."

A Briton who spent seven hours in a lifeboat before it was spotted by a pilot told how one by one, six of the 11 other people on the raft with him died. During the night, lying among the dead, Paul Barney watched rescue helicopters pass unable to see them.


"I just kept myself going because I wanted to live. I knew I had to survive," Barney said from a Finnish hospital where he is recovering from shock and hypothermia.

The investigation of the cause was expected to focus on the seals on the ship's large bow door, used to load vehicles and cargo. A surviving ship's engineer said water began pouring through it about 30 minutes before the ferry went down.

Survivors said that as the ship's hold filled with water, the vessel listed over to port in three big lurches. The engines stopped, power went out and the ferry sank, bow up.

Ships were using sonar to look for the Estonia's sunken hull, believed to be 260 feet to 290 feet under water, said Raimo Tiilikainen, the Finnish coast guard commodore in charge of the rescue and salvage operations.

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Survey: GOP support LBJ law

AUSTIN (AP) — The so-called LBJ law was tailor-made for a Democrat, but now Republican politicians are rallying behind the measure, according to a survey released Wednesday by a term limits group.

The law was passed in 1959 and allowed Democrat Lyndon Johnson to run for re-election to the Senate while also running for vice president. The law was used the same way in 1988 by then-Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, also a Democrat.

Now a Republican — U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas — may be poised to use the law if he makes a run for the presidency when his Senate term expires in 1996.

Citizens for Term Limits surveyed 12 statewide candidates and found that most Republican candidates want to keep the law intact, while at least half the Democratic candidates want to repeal the measure.

Clymer Wright of Houston, chairman of Citizens for Term Limits, said support by politicians of the law shows "the running of government shouldn't be left to career politicians."

"Many term limits advocates have

long favored repeal of the law because it was written for the convenience of career politicians and contributes to the inconvenience and expense of the public," Wright said.

Wright said that while Republicans usually advocate term limits, only one of the six GOP candidates surveyed supported repeal of the LBJ law. That was Don Wittig, a candidate for attorney general.

The others oppose repealing the law, Wright said. That includes U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, who is running for re-election; George W. Bush, who is running for governor; Tex. Lezar, lieutenant governor; Teresa Doggett, comptroller; and Marta Greytak, land commissioner.

On the Democratic side, U.S. Senate candidate Richard Fisher; Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, and Land Commissioner Garry Mauro say they support repealing it. Attorney General Dan Morales doesn't.

Comptroller John Sharp hasn't made up his mind and a Gov. Ann Richards' spokeswoman said the governor had questions with the law, but doubts repeal would come up during next year's legislative session, Wright said.

CIA chief reprimands 11 officers in Ames spy case

By ROBERT BURNS
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Eleven senior CIA officers were reprimanded for failing to spot Aldrich Ames' eight years of spying for Moscow, but no one at the agency will be demoted or fired for the lapses, CIA Director R. James Woolsey said Wednesday.

Woolsey disclosed that "approximately three dozen" U.S. intelligence operations were compromised by Ames, who sold secrets to the Soviet Union and later Russia starting in 1985. Woolsey said 12 U.S.-paid agents were killed as a result.

"The consequences have been horrid," not only for the CIA and the American taxpayers but also for "those who helped us overseas and who in a number of cases were, in effect, murdered by Ames," Woolsey told reporters at CIA headquarters.

The CIA chief also met in closed session with the House Intelligence Committee to explain his decisions on disciplinary action, and to discuss the findings of a CIA inspector general's investigation of the Ames case. Some in Congress had called for strong penalties against those held to blame in the Ames case.

Woolsey said the inspector general's study concluded that no one in CIA management was guilty of intentional wrongdoing or gross misconduct. His own assessment, Woolsey said, is that it "fell to the level of serious and sustained inattention"

to signs — sometimes blatant evidence — of Ames' treachery.

As an example, Woolsey said, a junior officer in 1985 discovered that Ames had not reported some of his contacts with Soviet officials in the United States. Because officers in Ames' position are judged in part on the number and frequency of their contacts with potential Soviet sources, his failure to report these encounters should have been a warning signal to be quickly investigated.

"Management dropped the matter," Woolsey said.

The management official who failed to act on the 1985 sign reported by a junior officer is one of the 11 senior officers whom Woolsey gave letters of reprimand.

Woolsey's disciplinary decisions broke down this way:

— Four officers were given "very serious" letters of reprimand normally accompanied by demands for early retirement or outright dismissal. Three of these four, however, already have retired, and the fourth is due to retire in a few days. None of the four will be permitted to work for the CIA in the future. Sometimes retired officers become paid consultants to the agency after they leave.

— Seven other officers were given lesser reprimands.

— Of the seven given lesser reprimands, three already are retired. Woolsey said they retired for reasons unrelated to the Ames case.

— The other four among the seven are still working at CIA and will remain. For periods ranging from two years to five years — depending on the individual case — the four will not be promoted or given performance awards, Woolsey said.

Woolsey declined to disclose the identities of any of the 11 except one. He is Ted Price, deputy director of operations, a position that makes him head of the CIA's clandestine service, which is responsible for running foreign agents.

From March to December 1990, Price was "skipper of the ship" that was responsible for ferreting out spies inside the agency. During those 10 months, Price was made aware that Ames had spent lavishly on a new home and other luxuries, but he did not pursue the possibility that it meant trouble, Woolsey said.

Woolsey said Price is being retained in his current job because "I find him a man of great ability," and his other contributions outweigh the mistakes in judgement in the Ames matter.

The CIA chief said he was publicly naming Price because he already is publicly known. As a rule, officers in the clandestine service are not identified by the CIA.

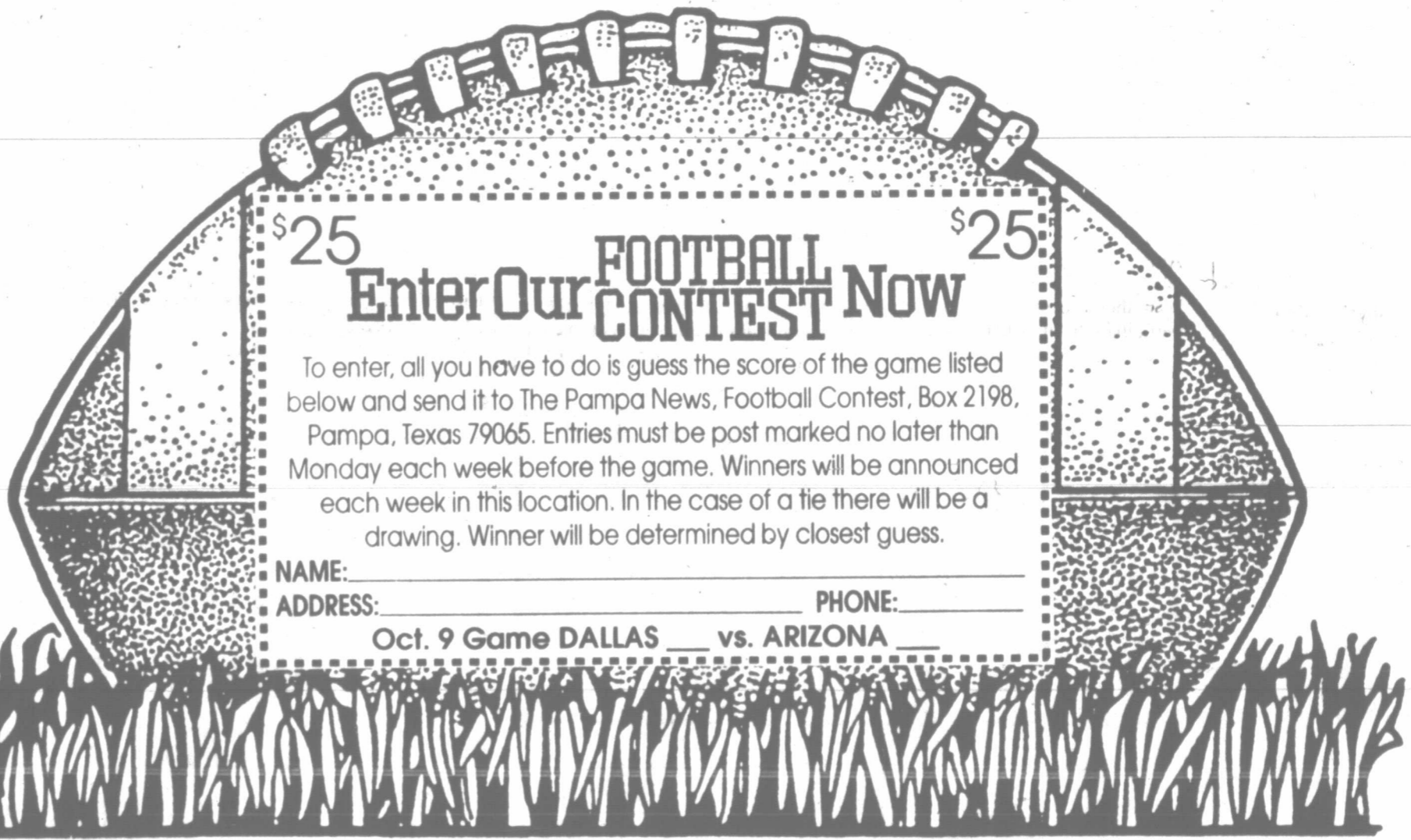
Ames, a career officer in the CIA's clandestine service, was arrested in February and admitted selling highly sensitive U.S. secrets to Moscow for more than eight years starting in 1985. He was paid more than \$2 million. He pleaded guilty to espionage in April and was sentenced to life in prison without chance of parole.

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DEAR NO NAME: Many young physicians, when they first go into private practice, hire their wives (some of whom are nurses) to assist them in the office. The wives of physicians are intelligent enough to realize that their husbands' practice would suffer should it become known that someone in the office blabbed about a patient's medical history or credit.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were married on May 2, 1992. Since then, we have been invited to 13 weddings. The last one wasn't in our budget, so instead of buying a wedding gift, I found a lovely gift (still in its original box) we had received for our own wedding.

I rewrapped it carefully, and sent it to the bride and groom. (The groom was a relative of my husband who lived in an adjoining state, and we rarely saw them.)

Two weeks after the wedding, we received a telephone call. The bride and groom wanted to know if my husband and I had given them a wedding gift, because they couldn't seem to find one from us and feared it had been lost. Finally, they asked what we had given them, and, after we told them, they responded, "Oh, yes, we received that gift, but the card inside said 'Jane Doe.'"

I almost fell on the floor. 'Jane Doe' is the friend who gave that gift to us!

I'm sure my husband and I aren't the first couple to have recycled a gift, but it was quite embarrassing.

P.S. The bride and groom sent us a nice thank-you; inside, it read "And please thank Jane for us, too."

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West Texas' world class bat show

By ANDY SMITH
San Angelo Standard-Times

MASON, Texas — It starts with a few bats circling a bowl formation that surrounds the mouth of a small cave at the base of a cliff.

The first-time visitors who are seated on wooden benches at the edge of the bowl wonder if this is as good as it gets.

No, Lee West assures them. It gets better. Much better. The bats are just running a little late tonight.

"It's hard to manage a show with these guys," he jokes.

West, 28, is a steward for the Eckert James River Bat Cave Preserve located about 17 miles south of Mason. The cave is located on eight acres owned by The Nature Conservancy of Texas and Bat Conservation International.

As the sun continues dropping below the horizon, West provides background information about the natural spectacle about to unfold.

The cave is home to about 5 million Mexican free-tail bats. Near dusk each evening, the bats leave the cave to feed on insects. The cave is known as a maternity colony because female bats bear and rear their young here.

"It's a gem," West says. "It's a world-class spot."

With one obvious drawback for visitors.

The cave emits a strong odor that comes from musk glands on the bats.

"It's a very distinctive scent that other species of bats don't have,"

says West, who is around the cave so frequently that he doesn't notice the smell anymore.

The odor is compounded by the smell of ammonia resulting from a breakdown of bat feces, or guano. The ammonia is a by-product of the beetles and invertebrates who feed on the guano on the floor of the cave. It's so strong that West wears a respirator when he goes into the cave for research. The ammonia would burn his lungs otherwise. The bats winter in Mexico and arrive in Mason in the spring. They will remain until October, West says. Females produce one baby bat, or pup, per year. The pups are born in mid-June and nurse for about five weeks. During that time, the mother bats will consume their weight in insects to provide milk for their young. That's about 50 tons of insects.

Each time the mother bats return to the cave, they must find their pup among the millions of others packed at a density of about 200 per square foot — the highest concentration of any mammal in the world — West says.

As the evening exodus approaches, a roadrunner emerges from the underbrush and camps on the edge of the bowl. West explains that several roadrunners, snakes and hawks appear each evening to feed on the bats.

The chirping of the bats signals increased activity inside the cave. More bats flutter outside the cave and join the clockwise rotation of bats. The bats require several pass-

es around the bowl to generate enough lift to carry them off into the dusk, West says.

Soon thousands of bats are circling, generating a considerable breeze for spectators. The bats fly within inches of the wooden benches, in some cases bumping into those who venture too closely to the edge for a better look.

Finally the bats begin to leave the bowl, forming black ribbons that flutter across the sky. Several hawks soar above the cave, swooping in for an evening meal. The roadrunner waits for bats to become entangled in the brush that lines the bowl and snatches three off the ground during the course of the evening.

The exodus will continue for hours, West says.

With a tennis racket-sized net, he captures a few bats for visitors to examine more closely. He sticks the net into the swarm and grabs a bat with a gloved hand. By this time the young have begun to leave the cave at night and he captures a juvenile and an adult to demonstrate the difference in their physical characteristics.

When the bat pups are able to fly, some leave the cave for other roosting areas. This created a problem at Mason High School last year when a crowd gathered for a football scrimmage spooked the bats roosting in the overhang above the bleachers. The frightened bats urinated on the crowd prompting a small public health scare.

About one-half of one percent of

the bats are believed to be carriers of rabies, West says. That's a minute percentage, but when you're talking about 5 million bats, that's about 25,000 who could carry the disease.

"My understanding is that urine is not a vector for transmission," West says. "But once that idea was in people's heads, a lot of people got scared and a lot of people had rabies shots."

To avoid future problems, the Mason Independent School District purchased and installed six ultrasonic devices in the rafters of the bleachers at Mason High School. The devices emit a sound above the range of human auditory capabilities. But apparently the bats don't like it and have not returned.

People shouldn't fear bats, West says.

"It's not like a bat is going to attack you," he says. "It's not going to try to bite unless it's picked up. That's why I warn little kids to leave bats alone if they see them on the ground."

Lee, a 28-year-old graduate of Ferrum College in Virginia, lives in a hunting cabin near the cave. He plans to monitor some of the bats through radio telemetry to determine any patterns to the exodus. He's interested in finding out if the bats leave in the same order each night.

West has spent several years conducting field research of bats. His stewardship of the cave will end when the bats return to Mexico, but it's a job he's rel-

ished. And he never tires of watching the bats leave the cave.

"It's always fascinated me to watch it," he says.

About 1,500 people visit the cave each year, West says, with some coming from as far as Australia and Japan. Many visitors are area residents who return from time to time for another look at this natural wonder.

The Nature Conservancy of Texas and Bat Conservation International acquired the cave in 1990. The common goals of the organizations are to protect the bats and their habitat and to provide access to for the public to visit.

Getting to the preserve

* Take U.S. Highway 87 south from Mason. Turn right on Ranch Road 1723 and take another right on Ranch Road 2389. The pavement will end and you'll have to cross the James River at a low-water crossing. Less than a mile ahead you'll see signs for the Bat Cave parking lot.

* The preserve is open to the public from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday through Sunday between May 26 and Oct. 23.

* Tour arrangements can be made by calling Lee West at (915) 347-5970. Admission is free.

Epilepsy association sponsors poster contest

As part of observance of National Epilepsy Month, High Plains Epilepsy Association is sponsoring an area poster child contest. Any child between the ages of 10 and 14 who has epilepsy and lives in the Texas Panhandle is eligible to enter. A winner will be selected at a banquet at the Plaza Restaurant in Amarillo. The winner will be selected by a panel of judges who will base their decision on the child's participation in school and extracurricular activities and the ability to meet people and discuss epilepsy.

The purpose of the contest is to demonstrate that most children with epilepsy, with proper treatment and counseling, can live normal lives. The winner will represent High Plains Epilepsy Association at various functions throughout the year. The winner and one parent will journey to Austin to see the state capital.

For an application to enter the contest, please call High Plains Epilepsy Association at 372-3891. All applications must be completed by Oct. 10. The contest will be held on Oct. 15.

Elderly ski free at some resorts

FRISO, Colo. (AP) — Breckenridge, Keystone and Arapahoe Basin ski resorts are restoring free skiing for people age 70 and older. Discounts also are being restored for people ages 60-69.

Under the revised prices, seniors 60-69 will pay \$19 for an all-day, three-area ticket. In the past, seniors ages 65-69 were offered a \$25 ticket. An adult tri-area ticket is \$42.

"This restructuring reflects our commitment to our growing senior population and the competitive nature of the resort industry," said John Rutter, executive vice president of ski operations for the three-area group.

"Charging for the 70 and over senior to ski is a sound business decision whose time has not yet

come. We offer a skiing product of great value here, and the day when everyone will pay something for that value is not far off," he said.

Dennis Beasley, director of the Colorado Springs-based Over the Hill Gang, hailed the ski resorts' reversal.

"We think their decision to reinstate free skiing to our over 70 skiers will benefit the skiing population as a whole," he said. "However, the reality is that the skiing industry is changing, and we must be ready to change with it."

Beasley said a recent survey of resorts in Utah, California and Oregon turned up 15 areas that now charge seniors, who once skied for free.

Some drugs linked to high blood pressure

By BRENDA C. COLEMAN
AP Medical Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Drugs taken to combat arthritis, gout and other painful conditions may cause high blood pressure in the elderly if taken at high doses for long periods of time, researchers found.

"The effect is most important for people with a history of high blood pressure and people taking anti-hypertensive medication," said Dr. Jerry H. Gurwitz, a geriatrician at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital, which is affiliated with Harvard. "These are people with probably the greatest risk."

It has been known for years that drugs like ibuprofen and naproxen can lead to small increases in blood pressure, Gurwitz said. But no one has studied whether the increases were great enough to affect health, he said.

The drugs, known as NSAIDs, or nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, are sold by prescription and over-the-counter under the brand names Advil, Nuprin, Motrin, Aleve, Naprosyn and Indocin.

The researchers studied 9,411 Medicaid patients over age 65. Those who had been given prescriptions for NSAIDs were significantly more likely than others to have been treated later with an anti-high blood pressure medication, the researchers found.

The greater the NSAIDs dose, the greater the person's likelihood of getting treated later for high blood pressure, the researchers reported in the Sept. 14 issue of *The Journal of the American Medical Association*.

The maker of Advil said in a statement that, "Research has shown that over-the-counter ibuprofen does not significantly affect blood pressure even among patients with pre-existing high blood pressure."

"The study in question appears to deal exclusively with prescription NSAIDs, which are typically prescribed in a high dose for extended periods of time" to relieve conditions such as arthritis, said Whitehall Robins, the division of American Home Products Corp. that makes Advil.

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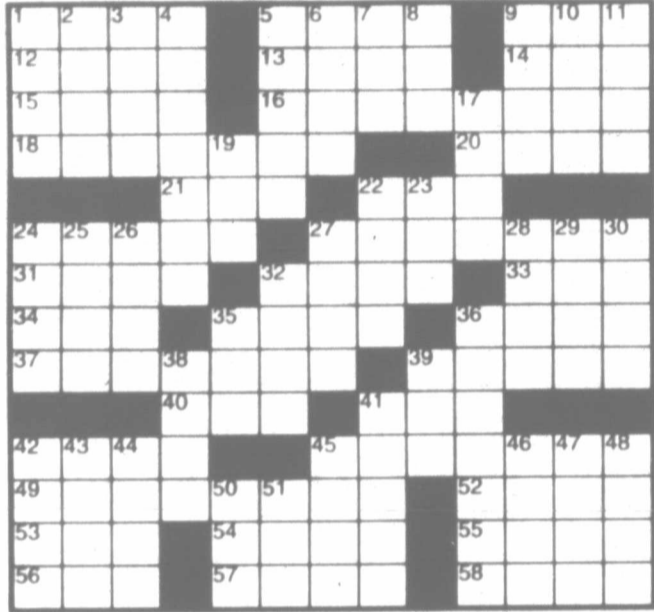
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NEA Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 1 Montreal ballplayer
 - 5 Beverage
 - 9 Hit (sl.)
 - 12 Large birds
 - 13 Ark builder
 - 14 Yale graduate
 - 15 Rage
 - 18 Perplex
 - 19 Little bone
 - 20 Gravel ridges
 - 21 Away
 - 22 Wager
 - 24 Singer — Haggard
 - 27 Mournful
 - 31 Singer — Adams
 - 32 Simple
 - 33 French season
 - 34 Vanity
 - 35 Engrave with acid
 - 36 Verve
 - 37 Lessening of hostility
 - 39 Stories
 - 40 Wide shoe size
 - 41 Spelling contest
 - 42 Nobleman
 - 45 Document file
- DOWN**
- 1 Finnish first name
 - 2 Dec. holiday
 - 3 Plays on words
 - 4 Tiny opening
 - 5 Prepared to propose
 - 6 First-rate part (2 wds.)
 - 7 Large tub
 - 8 Oh, I see!
 - 9 Supplicates
 - 10 Spanish pt.
 - 11 Dock
 - 17 Eminence
 - 19 Hint
 - 22 Nonsense
 - 23 Bridge expert — Culbertson
 - 24 Reward
 - 25 Brim
 - 26 Disturbance
 - 27 Freshwater fish
 - 28 Touched
 - 29 Mormon State
 - 30 Camera
 - 32 Diminutive suffix
 - 35 Compass
 - 10 Spanish pt.
 - 36 Peacock feather marking
 - 38 Slippery fishes
 - 39 Intermediate (pref.)
 - 41 Dominating
 - 42 Pertaining to the dawn
 - 43 Egyptian lizard
 - 44 Actor — O'Neal
 - 45 Sword fight
 - 46 Greek letter
 - 47 Moham-medan noble
 - 48 Part of R&R
 - 50 To — With Love
 - 51 Actress Arden

Answer to Previous Puzzle

CENTS	SOTREE
STIMEON	EARTHY
AVIARY	CHEESE
MITTY	SYUN
ELBIE	LOS
NEON	ECOLE
RUN	DOGMA
IRA	INSEY
ZED	
CARNE	TASK
ELKO	NED
ASPS	
YSAR	COMET
SNATLS	SILICA
SETOUT	SAILOR
SPONGY	YONES



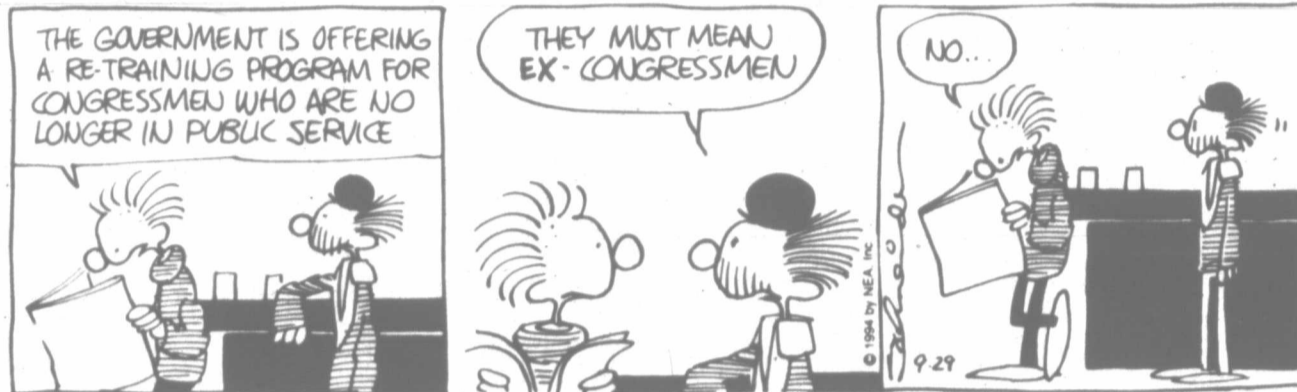
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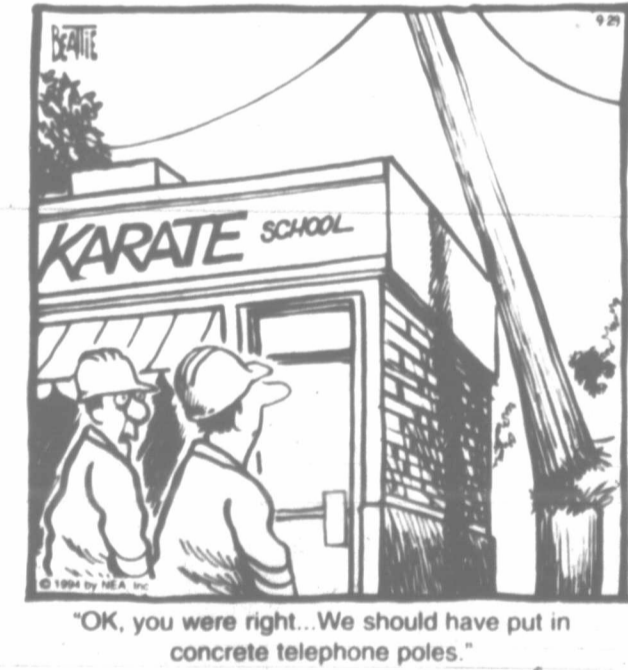
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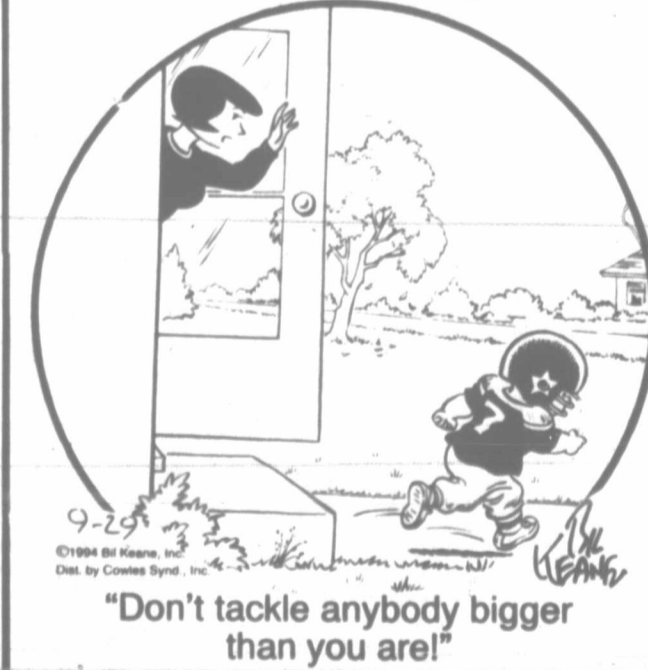
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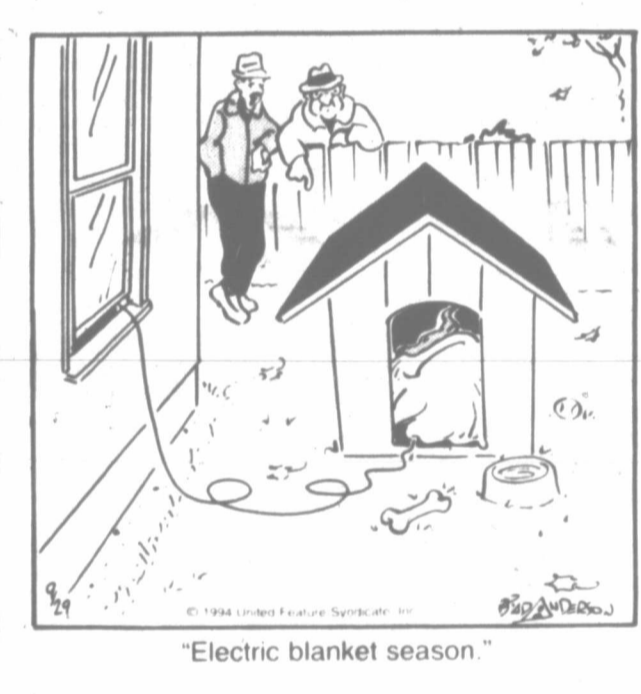
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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There's ample opportunity around you today which could be obvious to everyone but you. Strive to be alert instead of indifferent or biased.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Usually your hunches and intuitive insights are reasonably accurate, but today it could be best not to rely upon them too heavily. The signals might be misleading.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Unless your need is absolutely urgent today, play it safe and don't borrow anything of value from others. Things might go awry with the property of friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) This is not the proper time to request favors from influential persons you know only on a casual basis. Wait until the relationship strengthens with age.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Some big ideas with which you've been toying will remain without power if they aren't implemented. Try to do something about them today, producing is as critical as prophesying.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be extremely realistic and prudent in money matters today. Operate with the funds you have at your disposal, not with those you hope will shortly be forthcoming.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today might usher in some unusual complications. You may find it difficult to get started, especially in arrangements that involve partners or allies.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you fail to finish incomplete assignments, your schedule could get out of whack today. This might cause you to duplicate efforts and deal with unnecessary frustrations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Buyer's remorse could set in rapidly today if you're extravagant and frivolous. This is the time to trim nonessential expenditures, not increase them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Ill will could result today if you become too concerned about your personal interests at the expense of others. Provide for number one, but look out for others as well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Unfortunately, you might be more of a talker than a doer today. Your broadcasted intentions will be interesting, but your actual accomplishments may be hard to discern.

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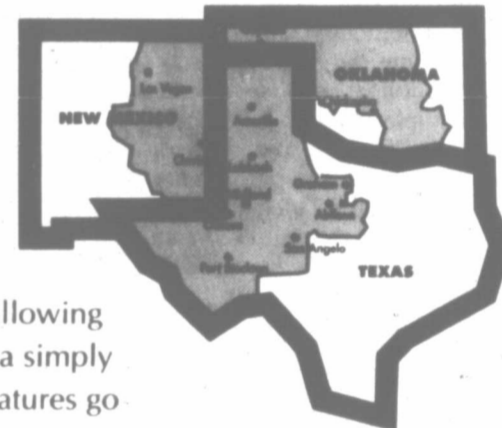
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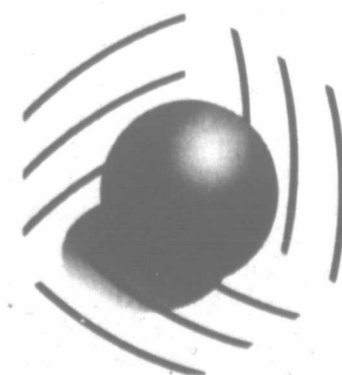
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