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Good Evening!

LOCAL

PAMPA — Starting this week, canvassers for R. L. Polk & Company will begin gathering information about households and businesses for the Pampa City Directory publication. All residents and business areas will be covered by the canvass, which is expected to take from six to eight weeks. Residents are asked to provide the information requested to assure accurate listings. All door-to-door enumerators carry identification cards supplied by Polk.

Local telephones are in operation from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 2545 Perryton Parkway #15, for the convenience of working residents who may not be at home when the enumerator calls. Contact may be made by calling 665-4600.

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NATIONAL

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — Pancakes, anyone? A truck carrying huge tubs of molasses hit a rough spot on an expressway and spilled thousands of gallons of goo, clogging rush-hour traffic for hours.

The truck driver, unaware that a plastic tub had ruptured, carried the leaking mess a half-mile down the four-lane highway, said police spokeswoman Regina Coones. No injuries were reported.

Drivers were, well, stuck in traffic. Eastbound lanes were closed for four hours.

"Where were the biscuits?" Coones asked. "They're never around when you need one."

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A *Current Affair* said it is airing a videotape today from the Waco, Texas, standoff at the Branch Davidian compound, in which a wounded David Koresh warns against "pushing my family around."

"What we do, people would not understand. This is serious stuff here," Koresh says, addressing the camera, according to the syndicated TV magazine show.

The March 8, 1993, video is being broadcast for the first time, a series spokeswoman said Thursday. The identity of the source that provided the tape was being withheld for legal reasons, she said.

WORLD

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A North Korean sergeant who shot down a U.S. Army helicopter in December was honored as a "hero of the Republic" today and promoted to lieutenant, the North's news agency reported.

The OH-58C helicopter was shot down Dec. 17 after crossing the heavily guarded border with South Korea. Chief Warrant Officer David Hilemon was killed, and fellow pilot Bobby Hall was held for 13 days before being released.

Sgt. Ri Thae Gyu downed the helicopter "at one shot," demonstrating the strength of the people's army, KCNA said.

Hall returned to South Korea today to rejoin his unit at Camp Page, north of Seoul.

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — A 38-year-old Malaysian has been put to death by firing squad in Indonesia's first execution for drug offenses, a prison official said today.

Chan Ting Chong was shot Jan. 13 in Cibubur outside Jakarta, said Alamsyah Brur, chief of the Correctional Institute.

Chong was arrested at a Jakarta hotel with 14.7 ounces of heroin in 1983, the year Indonesia imposed the death penalty for serious drug offenses.

Law student goes on shooting rampage

By ESTES THOMPSON
 Associated Press Writer

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — A 15-minute shooting rampage that left two people dead was finally ended by a former Marine who tackled the gunman and says he wished he could have intervened sooner.

Wendell Williamson, a law student who reportedly was treated for mental problems, was accused of firing a semiautomatic rifle at cars, buildings and passers-by Thursday afternoon as he slowly walked a downtown street near the campus of the University of North Carolina.

"He was just casually walking up the street, all cool, calm and cocky. You could hear the bullets zipping down the street and through the trees," Elmer Zink told *The*

Herald-Sun of Durham.

The gunman continued shooting even after he was wounded in the leg by police.

William Leone, an ex-Marine and Gulf war veteran now studying at the university, was wounded in the shoulder as he tackled the gunman. He and a second bystander then subdued the man.

"I just did it," said Leone, 26. "When I saw him reload, I just thought I could get him. I didn't think. It all sort of happened."

"Hero" doesn't describe it," he told *The News & Observer* of Raleigh. "Idiot" does it justice ... I was just kind of offended someone would walk into the street with a rifle and start shooting."

Leone, who was wounded in the shoulder, was treated and released at

a hospital. He said he believes the shot that hit him came from police; police wouldn't comment on that possibility but said the shooting would be investigated.

Williamson was charged with two counts of murder. Authorities said they did not know the motive.

"What happened up there is not something that any reasonable person could understand," Police Chief Ralph Pendergraph said.

Police would not identify the victims, but newspapers reported they were Ralph Walker, 42, a McDonald's management trainee, and UNC student Kevin Reichardt, 20.

One victim was killed on the steps of his rooming house, the other as he rode a bicycle died in front of a sorority house. A sorority member

said he was hit while on his bicycle and tried to crawl across the street, then was killed by another shot.

Williamson, 26, is a third year law student at the university. He had been treated recently for mental illness, his parents told *The News & Observer* of Raleigh.

Other law students described him as a disturbed man who sometimes had outbursts in class and mumbled to himself in downtown bars.

Police officer Demetris Stephen was shot in the left hand while in her police cruiser. She was in good condition today at a hospital.

"He saw her and I saw her," bystander Bob Epting told *The Herald-Sun*. "I thought, 'Oh my God, she doesn't see him.' As she passed him, he just leveled the rifle down into her driver's side window

two feet away and he shot.

"That was the single most horrible thing I ever saw in my life," said the 50-year-old attorney. "I thought she was dead."

After Leone tackled the gunman, Epting helped subdue him.

"He was shooting at me, he was shooting at random, and he was shooting at anybody he saw," Epting said. "He looked like he was on his way to his own death."

Leone spent four years in the Marine Corps and six months in Saudi Arabia during the Persian Gulf War before entering UNC, where he has been studying finance and business administration and working on the side as a bartender.

He said he was glad he could help, and "I just wish I could have intervened sooner."

Young Cowboy



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Gavin Eggleston, 5, gets help from his kindergarten teacher, Cara Morris, in putting on his helmet as he dresses up in his Dallas Cowboy uniform this morning at Travis Elementary School. Gavin, who wants to be like Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman, joined other students at the school for Career Week, a week-long project in which students have been studying various careers.

Parks, streets consolidation discussed

By BEN KECK
 Assistant Editor

Discussion about the possibility of combining the Pampa city Streets Department with the Parks and Recreation Department took up much of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board meeting Thursday.

Board member Rodney Springer said a city commissioner had mentioned to him that City Manager Bob Eskridge, who came to Pampa in April from Rosenberg, Texas, had mentioned the possibility of combining the two departments.

"I don't want to see Parks consolidated with streets or any other department," Springer said.

And later he said, "We may need to educate the city commission ... show them there's more to the Parks Department than just mowing grass."

When Eskridge was city manager at Rosenberg, he combined the parks

and streets departments in that city, and the consolidation apparently worked well. Eskridge said this morning that there is no definite plan to consolidate the two departments in Pampa.

"When we were brainstorming budget ideas last year, I mentioned this had worked in Rosenberg," he said. "It was just an idea. I won't promise that it will never happen, but we'd look at it and talk about a lot of things before we ever did something like that."

The advisory board is preparing a long-range plan for the city's parks, but member Rey Cardenas suggested that the plan not be presented to the city commission until it is determined if the parks and street departments will be consolidated.

The board also wants to look into building a multi-use facility, but Springer said that he has concerns about funding.

"The city is in a financial crunch," he said. "We're looking at a multi-million dollar facility when we ought to be worried about the survival of the park system as we now know it."

Right now, Springer said, the idea of building a multi-use facility is "a pie-in-the-sky deal."

Chairman Jay Holmes said one of his concerns in a proposed long-range plan was increasing the size of the city's parks and recreation staff.

Holmes also said plans are under way to construct a disc golf course in Highland Park. Disc (or Frisbee) golf involves throwing a disc at a basket hanging from a pole. Usually, there is one basket; players throw their discs from nine different trees surrounding the basket (to represent nine holes of golf).

"We don't have that many trees here," Holmes said. "So we'll set up three baskets with three different approaches to each."

State owes millions in court judgments it won't pay

AUSTIN (AP) — Winning a court judgment against the state can prove to be a losing battle.

While the Legislature scurries over the next few months to approve a new two-year budget, there will be several debts the state simply won't pay.

According to the Legislative Budget Board, the state owed about \$48.5 million in court judgments to about 100 people and businesses as of June 1994.

"I'll be lucky if I have a check in hand by the end of this year," said

Bob Frost, 55, who won a \$187,649 judgment last April in a 1992 age discrimination lawsuit against the Commission on Fire Protection.

Already the total has increased to \$215,000 because of interest accrued since the trial.

The Texas Constitution says only the Legislature can appropriate money for state expenses. It's further backed by a power known as sovereign immunity, derived from English common law, under which the Legislature not only determines

whom it will pay but also who can sue the state.

That legislative discretion has been frustrating for George Green, a former Department of Human Services architect and safety officer who was fired after he reported wrongdoing in agency construction projects.

In 1991, a jury awarded Green \$13 million under the Texas Whistleblower Act. Although the award has been upheld by the Texas Supreme Court, the Legislature has not appropriated the money to pay him.

Clinton's rescue plan for Mexico in trouble; IMF has loan package

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's \$40 billion loan guarantee package for Mexico is in serious trouble in Congress because the administration has failed to convince the public it is needed, House Speaker Newt Gingrich said today.

Despite two days of high-profile lobbying by top administration officials, Gingrich said the proposal still had little support in Congress or in the country.

"The fact is the president has not succeeded in making a case for this. It is very unpopular in the country and it has not been explained very well," Gingrich told reporters today.

Gingrich said he planned to meet with both Democratic and Republican House members to see what types of conditions on the loan guarantees would be needed for them to support the package.

In congressional hearings on Wednesday and Thursday, the administration's proposal ran into a buzz saw of opposition with Sen. James Exon, D-Nebr., saying bluntly, "What support there was is collapsing in dramatic fashion."

Gingrich said he had talked by telephone today with Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and planned to meet with him, possibly on Monday, to see how the proposal could be salvaged. He said a vote in the House was still possible next week.

"I think it is possible to get something done, but it is much harder work than I thought it would be," he said.

Clinton conceded on Thursday that he was asking lawmakers to take an unpopular vote, but he insisted that the United States had to stabilize the economic crisis in Mexico before it spread to other countries.

"If Mexico has an economic collapse ... it will bleed off into Argentina and all these other countries that are supporting our move to support more democracy, more free-market economics in Latin

America," Clinton said in an interview on NBC.

While the U.S. loan guarantees faced significant opposition, the IMF had good news for Mexico on Thursday: an announcement that it would send its board a proposal next week to provide Mexico with up to \$7.8 billion in loans over the next 18 months, the biggest such package in IMF history.

In announcing the agreement, IMF Managing Director Michel Camdessus praised Mexico for putting together an economic reform program he said was "strong, coherent and credible."

That announcement triggered a surge in the value of the peso on Mexican financial markets. The peso gained 18 centavos to close at 5.525 to the dollar, up from Wednesday's close of 5.705.

The Mexican stock exchange, the Bolsa, went up after the announcement before the stronger peso made stocks more expensive for foreign investors. The Bolsa's main index lost 1.85 percent on the day's trading.

Rubin said the IMF plans highlighted the seriousness with which the international community viewed the crisis in Mexico and the threat it posed to other economies.

Greenspan, Rubin and Secretary of State Warren Christopher faced a barrage of skeptical questions from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Thursday, their second day of congressional testimony.

"Sounds are being heard from the president and others in the administration, sounding remarkably like Chicken Little's frantic declarations about the sky's falling, if Congress doesn't immediately approve this \$40 billion deal," committee Chairman Jesse Helms, R-N.C., a vocal opponent, said.

Both Democrats and Republicans on the committee complained that the loan guarantees would be difficult to explain to their constituents.

IRI lays off more employees

Forty-three people lost their jobs at IRI International's equipment division this morning, bringing to about 90 the number of people laid off at the Pampa plant since September.

"We put this off as long as we could," said Robert Fine, vice president for finance. "The short term, and I mean the next several months, the short term outlook for the equipment division is not favorable."

Fine described the layoffs today as being "primarily in the equipment division, but some administrative positions."

"Some employees are eligible for retirement benefits. For others, there was a special contribution to their final paychecks, similar to

severance pay, although our company does not have a severance program as such."

He said the "special contribution" was based on what an employee was making.

Fine said the employees who lost their jobs this morning were notified of the layoffs when they reported for work.

"We're not anticipating more," he said. "I think that in the long term you'll see our employment increase dramatically. Most of our equipment sales are to companies overseas."

"Even if we got new contracts today, we wouldn't be calling any employees back to work in the next several months. It would take longer than that."

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Services tomorrow

ANDERS, John E. — 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Shamrock.
BURUM, Jerusha Gripp — Graveside, 3 p.m., Panhandle Cemetery, Panhandle.
FORDUCEY, Virginia 'Elfreda' — Graveside, 10 a.m., Navajoe Cemetery, Altus, Okla.
MARTIN, Viola P. — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
ROBB, Thomas James 'Jim' — Graveside, 11 a.m., Forgan Cemetery, Forgan, Okla.

Obituaries

JOHN E. ANDERS
 SHAMROCK — John E. Anders, 79, died Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1995 in Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Shamrock Church of Christ, with Paul Owen, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.
 Mr. Anders married Vernie Marie Smith in 1937 in Shamrock. She died in 1976. He later married Ruby Mae Smith on June 3, 1976 in McLean. Mr. Anders grew up in Wellington and graduated from Wellington High School. He moved to McLean in 1946 and lived there until moving to Shamrock in 1977. He was employed as a millwright and mechanic for Warren Petroleum and for several other gas-gathering compressor stations throughout the area. He later owned and operated two service stations in McLean and one in Shamrock. He retired from the McLean Volunteer Fire Department after 23 years and during most of that time he served on the fire department at the old Amarillo Air Force Base. He was a lawnmower repairman in Shamrock for 15 years and was a member of the Shamrock Church of Christ. In 1947, he received an award from the American Red Cross for saving the life of his son Jimmy.
 He was preceded in death by two sisters, Ruth Burns and Orein Fuqua.
 Survivors include his wife, Ruby, of the home; four sons, Johnny G. Anders and Coy L. Smith, both of Amarillo, Lenny Smith of Shamrock and Jimmy D. Anders of Childress; two daughters, Jeanne Caho of St. Louis, Mo., and Barbara Bradley of McLean; 14 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials to the High Plains Childrens Home or to favorite charities.

JERUSHA CRIPP BURUM
 PANHANDLE — Jerusha Gripp Burum, 88, died Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1995. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday in Panhandle Cemetery, with the Rev. John Wagner, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors.
 Mrs. Burum was born in Hopeville, Iowa. She came to Panhandle in 1910 and lived here until moving to Gravette, Ark., in 1960. She came back to Panhandle in 1985. She was a homemaker and a teacher and a member of the First United Methodist Church. She was a past member of the Panhandle Study and Social Club and had been active in the PTA and as a Sunday School teacher. She married Groves Burum on May 24, 1925 in Post.
 Survivors include her husband, Groves, of the home; a son, Earl Burum of Overland Park, Kan.; a daughter, Billie Potet of Panhandle; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

ERLEEN CHEWING
 BACLIFF — Erleen Chewing, 86, of Bacliff, a former longtime resident of Pampa, died Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1995 in Houston. Graveside memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa.
 Mrs. Chewing was born Oct. 5, 1908 in Humboldt, Kan. She and her husband, Oliver L. Chewing, lived in Pampa for many years before Mr. Chewing's death in 1976. Mrs. Chewing moved from Pampa to be near her children about eight years after her husband died.
 Survivors include her daughters and sons-in-law, Patsy Ann and Ray Marney of Palos Verdes, Calif., Beverly Jean and Charles Snow of Birmingham, Ala., and Billie Joan and George Thut of Bacliff; a brother, Jack Winks of Borger; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

VIRGINIA 'ELFREDA' FORDUCEY
 ALTUS, Okla. — Virginia "Elfreda" Forducey, 80, of Woodward, a former Pampa, Texas resident, died Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1995 in Woodward. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Navajoe Cemetery east of Altus, with Adron Hinton and Jack McKeown officiating. Arrangements are by Lowell-Times Funeral Home in Altus.
 Mrs. Forducey was born April 2, 1914 in Jackson County, Okla. She attended school in the Old Navajoe and Friendship communities. She had lived in Michigan until moving back to Friendship in 1949. She moved to Pampa in 1972 and lived there until 1993, when she moved to Woodward. She married Charles Voyd Kingston on Nov. 20, 1931. He died in 1966. She later married Ernest Forducey on Dec. 12, 1972. He died in 1985. She was a housewife and a member of the Church of Christ.
 She was preceded in death by her parents, two husbands, four brothers and a sister.
 Survivors include three sons and two daughters-in-law, James Voyd and Jodie Kingston of Mason, Texas, Billy Jean and Faye Kingston of Pecos, Texas, and Edward Ray Kingston of Woodward; a daughter and son-in-law, Janet and Don Sunderland of Woodward; three sisters, Vinita Ferris of Headrick, Okla., Jewel Shipp of Pampa and Winnie Estes of Altus; a sister-in-law, Ellen Waldroop of Altus; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Jan. 26
 Shirley Jane Goode of Pampa Sheltered Workshop, 1301 W. Somerville, reported theft \$20 to \$500 which occurred Thursday at 8:10 p.m.
 Misti Lea Howard, 1612 Coffee, reported burglary of a habitation.
 Toni Lee Bledsoe of Engine Parts Co., 416 W. Foster, reported theft which occurred at 3:54 p.m. Tuesday.
 Officer J.C. Worthington reported resisting arrest - class A misdemeanor at 422 Hill.
 Domestic violence - assault was reported in the 400 block of Hill. Victim suffered bruises and scratches to the face and chest on Thursday.
 Jan Carolyn Fontnot, 422 Hill, reported burglary of a habitation at 412 Hill which occurred at 4:30 a.m. Thursday.
 Domestic disturbance - assault by threat was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart which occurred at 5:30 p.m. Thursday.

Arrests
THURSDAY, Jan. 26
 Garil Dean Mason, 49, Amarillo, was arrested at 1301 W. Somerville on a charge of theft \$20 to \$500 - class B misdemeanor. His bond is set at \$1,500 and he remains in Gray County jail.
 Ervin Dwain Mason, 37, Amarillo, was arrested at 1301 W. Somerville on a charge of theft \$20 to \$500 and criminal trespass, both class B misdemeanors. His bond was set at \$1,500 on each charge. He remains in Gray County jail.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Jan. 26
 Sadie Hawkins, 1301 S. Hobart, reported forgery. Eott Corp., Loop 171 1/2-mile south of Browning, reported burglary.
Department of Public Safety
THURSDAY, Jan. 26
 Steven Jack Stuart, 47, Petaluma, Calif., was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana 50 to 2,000 pounds and resisting arrest.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions
 Pampa
 Alta V. Boyd
 Ronald G. Saulsbury
Dismissals
 Pampa
 Maria D. Cabrales
 Jen Nicole Lewis and baby girl
 Shaleigh Price
 Christopher Rivera
Skellytown
 Howard M. Coday
Canadian
 Paula Rae Ruiz and baby girl
Perryton
 Teresa A. Fick
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 There were no admissions reported.
Dismissals
Shamrock
 Louie Adams

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB
 Pampa Bridge Club meets at 2 p.m. Sunday in Room 11 at Clarendon College. For a partner, contact Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.
THEE PLACE
 Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.
SOUTHSIDE SENIOR CITIZENS MOBILE MEALS
 The Saturday menu for mobile meals is meat loaf patties, squash, lima beans, brown bread, jello.
VFW AND AUXILIARY
 Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary are to meet at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at the Post Home for a covered dish dinner.

Stocks

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

Wheat	3.30	Chevron	46	dn 1/2
Milo	3.77	Coca-Cola	52 1/2	up 3/4
Corn	4.25	Diamond Sham	24 1/4	dn 1/8
		Eaton	29 5/8	up 1/8
		Halliburton	36 5/8	up 1/8
		HealthTrust Inc.	33 5/8	up 1/2
		Ingersoll Rand	32 1/4	dn 1/8
		KNE	22 1/4	NC
		Kerr McGee	48 1/4	up 1/8
		Limited	17 3/8	NC
		Mapco	52 3/4	NC
		Maxus	3 7/8	up 1/8
		McDonald's	31 1/2	up 3/4
		Mobil	87 3/8	up 1/2
		New Atmos	16 7/8	NC
		Parker & Parsley	19 1/2	NC
		Penney's	41 3/4	up 1/2
		Phillips	32 5/8	NC
		SLB	54 1/8	up 1/8
		SPS	27 7/8	NC
		Tenneco	43 1/8	up 1/4
		Texaco	61 7/8	dn 1/8
		Wai-Mart	22 3/8	up 1/2
		New York Gold	378.00	
		Silver	4.69	

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

NOWSCO	9 19/64	NC
Occidental	20 1/8	dn 1/8

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

Magellan	66.83	NC
Puritan	14.80	NC

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

Amoco	.60	up 5/8
Arco	107 5/8	NC
Cabot	30 5/8	dn 5/8
Cabot O&G	12 7/8	dn 1/8

Accidents

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following accident in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Jan. 26
 3:20 p.m. - A 1984 Chevrolet van driven by Carolina Rico Sanchez, 35, 1023 Ripley, was in collision with a 1993 Ford pickup driven by Benita Galaviz Albear, 48, 1119 Ripley, in the 1200 block of South Nelson. Sanchez was cited for unsafe backing.

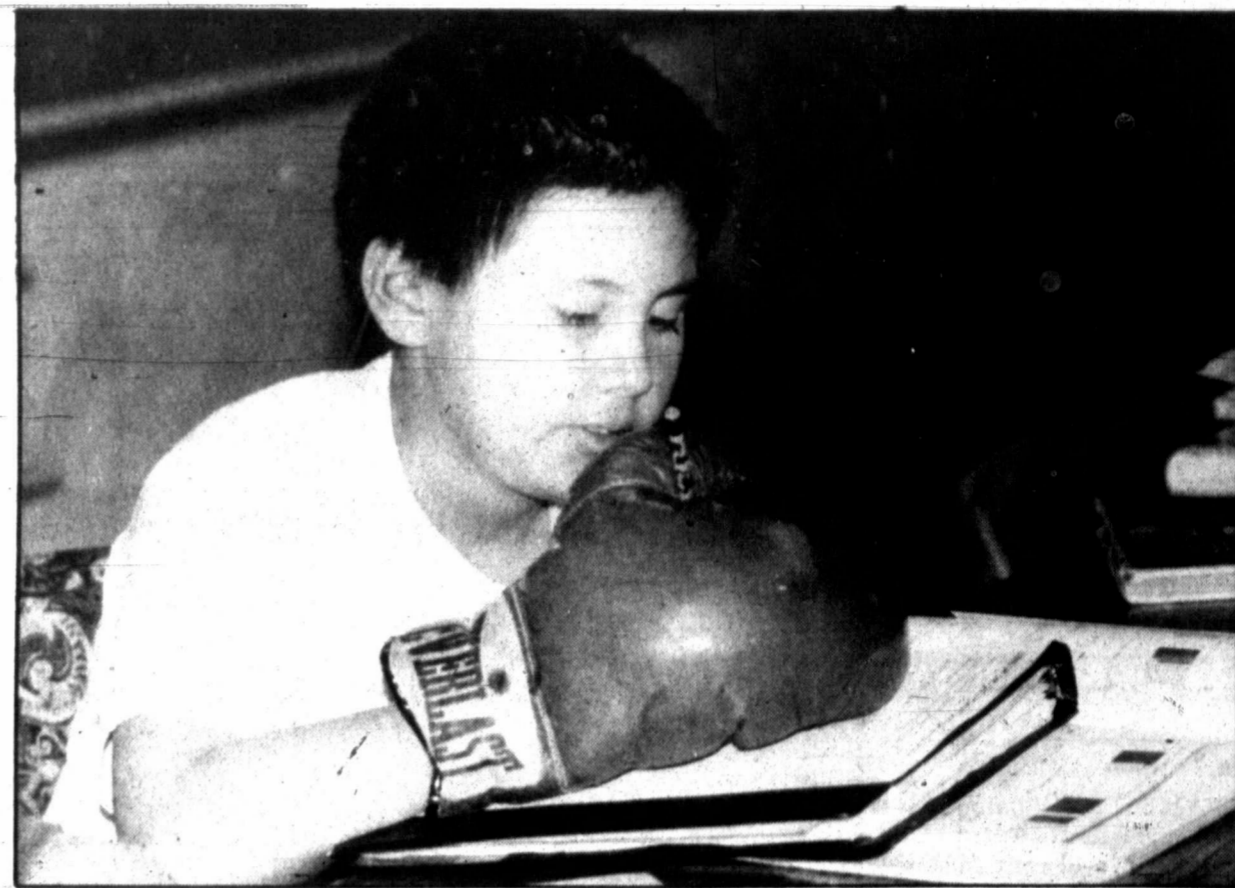
Grand jury indicts Midland medical waste hauler

ODESSA (AP) — A state agency says a Midland man is believed to be the first medical waste hauler in Texas indicted in connection with business activities.
 John L. Iman, was indicted by a Midland County grand jury on eight counts of securing a document by deception and four counts of tampering with government records, according to Robin Sams, assistant district attorney for Midland County.

The indictments were the result of a 10-month investigation by the Special Investigations Unit of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission and the Environmental Crimes Division of the Texas Attorney General's Office.
 The waste hauler was indicted under documentation laws because Texas laws do not specifically deal with the transportation of medical waste.
 CRI was contracting with hospi-

tals to transport and dispose of bio-medical waste.
 But Sams said hospitals were paying for work that never got done. The incidents came to light in late 1993 when medical waste was found in seven trailers parked in San Angelo, Del Rio and Colorado City.
 In late 1993, the Texas Attorney General's Office sued the company claiming CRI and Iman violated state health and transportation laws.

No kid gloves



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Fifth-grader Daniel Romero, 10, isn't wearing gloves because of any injury to his hands. Instead, this morning he was joining other students at Travis Elementary School in the week-long Career Week involving studying careers. Daniel, who wants to be a boxer, wore the gloves even while doing his classwork, hard though it might be to use a pencil.

Skirmishing in Simpson trial escalates

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Skirmishes over evidence in the O.J. Simpson trial degenerated into sarcasm and name-calling as fuming prosecutors accused defense lawyers of lying and demanded that jurors be told about it.
 Continuing a bitter tirade that began in the middle of the defense's opening statement, prosecutors urged the judge Thursday to punish defense attorneys for "trial by ambush."
 The source of the prosecution's ire was the last-minute submission of statements from defense witnesses — including a woman who says she saw four men speeding away from the area of the murders about the time they took place.
 "Morally, it's a violation of the jurors' right to the truth," com-

plained Deputy District Attorney Marcia Clark. "They've been lied to, they've been deceived, they've gotten half-truths from counsel, they have deliberately shown them items taken out of context."
 State law requires both sides to share information in a timely manner.
 Prosecutors asked Superior Court Judge Lance Ito to delay the trial for 30 days and allow prosecutors to make another opening statement. Ito responded by recessing the trial until Monday, forcing yet another postponement of the conclusion of the defense's opening statement.
 Jurors spent hours in a courthouse waiting room, unaware of the chaos in the courtroom.
 The battle, which began with a key prosecutor, William Hodgman, still

in the hospital after suffering chest pains Wednesday night, quickly erupted into full-fledged war.
 Deputy District Attorney Chris Darden repeatedly sneered at the phrase "Dream Team," a label that has been applied to Simpson's high-powered attorneys. He accused the defense of unethical conduct and denigrated the new witnesses as a gang of "heroin addicts, thieves, felons ... and the only person I have ever known to be a court-certified pathological liar."
 Defense attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. called the attack on defense witnesses "outrageous."
 "Whenever they stand up to talk, judge, it has to be character assassination," Cochran said. "Anybody that they don't call (to testify) becomes some very bad person."

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Mostly cloudy tonight with a 20 percent chance of light snow. Low will be in the middle 20s. Saturday, cooler, mostly cloudy with a chance of light snow in the morning, decreasing cloudiness in the afternoon. High will be in the middle 40s. Saturday night, partly cloudy, with a low in the lower 20s. Thursday's high was 53; the overnight low was 39. Pampa received 0.14 inch of moisture in the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today.
REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold with a chance for light snow. Lows 25-30. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of light snow in the morning, decreasing cloudiness in the afternoon. Highs 40-45. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in low 20s. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy, becoming mostly cloudy toward morning over the low rolling plains. Lows 30-35. Saturday, becoming mostly cloudy South Plains, a slight chance of light rain low rolling

plains, rain possibly mixed with snow early. Highs 45-55. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in mid 20s.
 North Texas — Tonight, thunderstorms ending east, otherwise partly cloudy and cooler. Lows 40 to 47. Saturday, cloudy north with a slight chance of showers, otherwise partly cloudy and cooler. Windy again most areas. Highs 50 to 66. Saturday night, partly cloudy and cool. Lows 32 to 38.
 South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly clear and cold. Lows in the 30s Hill Country, 40s south central. Saturday, partly cloudy, breezy and cool. Highs in the 60s. Saturday night, mostly clear and cold. Lows in the 30s. Coastal Bend: Tonight, partly cloudy and cooler with showers or thunderstorms ending. Lows in the 40s inland, 50s coast. Saturday, partly cloudy, breezy and mild. Highs in the 60s to near 70. Saturday night, mostly clear. Lows in the 40s inland, 50s coast. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy and cooler with showers or thunderstorms ending. Lows in the 40s Rio Grande

plains, 50s to near 60 lower valley and coast. Saturday, partly cloudy, breezy and mild. Highs in the 70s. Saturday night, mostly fair skies and cool. Lows in the 40s inland to the 50s coast.
BORDER STATES
 New Mexico — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a few snow showers north and partly cloudy south. Lows teens and 20s mountains and north with 30s elsewhere. Saturday, few rain or snow showers north central and northeast and partly cloudy west and south. Highs mid 30s and 40s mountains and north with 50s south. Saturday night, fair to partly cloudy. Lows 10 to 25 mountains with mostly 20s lower elevations.
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House passes balanced budget amendment

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The balanced budget amendment crossed its first big threshold, passing the House and moving to the Senate, where a tough battle was expected over an idea that would revolutionize the way Congress does business.

"This is a historic moment for our country," an elated House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., said after the 300-132 bipartisan vote Thursday. "We kept our promise," made in the Republican "Contract With America," to begin to restore fiscal integrity to Congress.

Passage represented a major victory for the GOP, which came up with 12 more votes than the two-thirds majority needed to approve a constitutional amendment. Seventy-two Democrats — more than a third of those voting — joined the Republicans.

With the amendment behind them, House Republicans now can move on to offer key aspects of their "Contract," including ending unfunded federal mandates and passing new anti-crime measures and welfare reform.

Despite the strong House approval, the amendment faced a tough battle in the Senate, which was expected to take up the measure within two weeks. It needs two-thirds approval by the Senate and then would have to be ratified by three-fourths of the states to become the 28th amendment to the Constitution.

"I believe we are going to do the same thing in the Senate," said Sen.

Thornberry explains his votes

WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry Thursday night voted for both the Barton and Schaefer-Stenholm balanced budget amendments, saying his overriding concern is that Congress finally delivers to Americans a constitutional requirement for a balanced federal budget.

"From the beginning, I have preferred the Barton amendment, which would require a three-fifths vote to raise taxes," Thornberry said. "Unfortunately, the Barton measure failed to get the required two-thirds vote needed to pass as a constitutional amendment."

"The next best choice clearly was the Schaefer-Stenholm amendment, which is basically the same measure that every Republican but one supported in 1994."

Schaefer-Stenholm requires a constitutional majority, on a recorded roll-call vote, to pass any

tax increase. Under the amendment, federal spending cannot exceed federal revenues each year, except during true emergencies such as war.

The amendment got the greatest number of votes in House action Thursday evening and was passed on a final vote with more than the two-thirds required. If passed with a two-thirds margin in the Senate, it will go to the states for ratification, Thornberry explained.

"Just the interest on the federal debt has reached \$3,500 per year for every American family," Thornberry said. "Our national debt works out roughly to \$18,000 per citizen. We have to control this runaway train, and the House made an historic step toward that by passing a balanced budget amendment. This was one opportunity we simply couldn't afford to pass up."

Clinton has no formal say in the amendment, since it would go directly from Congress to the states.

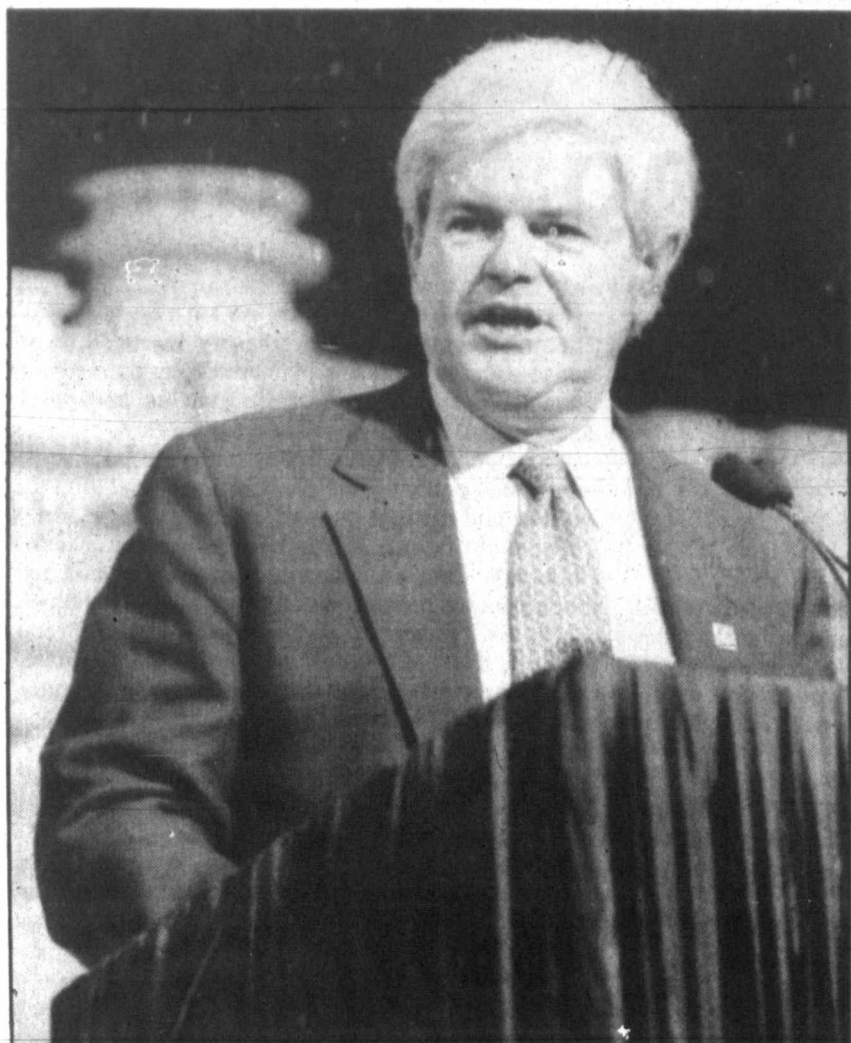
Democratic opposition did thwart the Republican leadership's hopes to include a provision that would have required a three-fifths majority vote in both the House and Senate to increase taxes in the future and made it much more difficult to raise taxes as a means of balancing the budget.

Instead, the House approved by 293-139 a compromise version offered by Reps. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, and Dan Schaefer, R-Colo., that differed in requiring only a simple majority for Congress to raise taxes. The Stenholm measure then advanced to the vote for final passage.

The balanced budget amendment requires three-fifths majorities to raise the ceiling on the national debt or waive the balanced budget requirement in any one year. Exceptions also are made for times of war or threats to national security.

The wild card in winning acceptance of the Stenholm measure was the 73 GOP freshmen, who were solid in their support of the tax limitation proposal and threatened to withhold support for the compromise plan.

Gingrich called several dozen freshmen into his office late Thursday to stress that their votes were crucial to getting a balanced budget amendment through Congress and to promise a vote next year on a constitutional amendment requiring a three-fifths vote to increase taxes, several of the freshmen said.



(AP photo)

House Speaker Newt Gingrich addresses the National Republican Congressional Committee dinner Thursday night after the House had passed a balanced budget amendment.

Hutchison, Mikulski reoffer bill on spouse IRA equity

WASHINGTON (AP) — Homemakers and their working spouses would be allowed the same Individual Retirement Account contributions as two-income married couples under a tax code revision being proposed on Capitol Hill.

Renewing a charge they began last year, Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas and Democratic Sen. Barbara Mikulski of Maryland said Thursday that the tax code discriminates against stay-at-home spouses, inhibits savings and doesn't promote the family structure.

"All women work, whether they work in the marketplace or they work at home — and this gives value to that," said Ms. Mikulski.

The measure would allow married couples with one paycheck a maximum \$4,000 deduction per year — up from the current \$2,250. Married couples with two incomes now can make \$4,000 tax-deductible contributions.

"We have an IRA gap and it's one that has to be addressed," said Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that 16 million families would be eligible for the increased IRA deductions, though only 2 million or so would be expected to take

advantage of the expanded savings.

"This legislation is critical to the long-term financial security of women," Mrs. Hutchison said. "Women live longer than men and earn less. They leave the workforce to bear children and care for their families. So, they begin saving for retirement later than men and save less."

The Eagle Forum, the Traditional Values Coalition and Concerned Women for America are among the conservative groups that have endorsed the bill, saying it would provide a level playing field for spouses who don't work outside the home.

Seven of the Senate's eight women, minus California Democratic Sen. Barbara Boxer, already have signed on as co-sponsors. So have 50 of their male colleagues.

"I believe very strongly we will win this bill this session," Hutchison said.

A companion version is being introduced in the House by three members of the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee — Reps. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn.; Barbara Kennelly, D-Conn.; and Jennifer Dunn, R-Wash. The committee will hold a hearing on the proposal Tuesday.

Officers seize \$10 million in cocaine

PASADENA (AP) — Authorities seized at least \$5 million in cash and about 220 pounds of cocaine worth an estimated \$10 million when they raided a house in this Houston suburb, police say.

The cash was stuffed in boxes inside the house when officers raided it on Thursday. Four adults were arrested.

Houston Assistant Police Chief Art Contreras said the raid, held in conjunction with the seizure of more than 17 pounds of cocaine worth about \$800,000 at a southeast Houston apartment, put a dent into what authorities are calling a new

and very organized drug ring.

Contreras said each package of cocaine was marked with a joker playing card that signifies the cartel through which the distribution center was operating.

"This is a new one (cartel) in Houston," he said. "We haven't seen this one before. It's new to us."

"This is the most significant amount of money that we have ever seized," Contreras said.

The house was a distribution center for narcotics and money in area, Contreras said. The Internal Revenue Service took custody of money.

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Austin American-Statesman on welfare:

Natasha Grossman has a commendable idea. Rather than allow rhetoric to shape the welfare reform debate, the Seattle social work professor decided to let lawmakers get a firsthand look at the system.

With \$500 from the University of Washington, she created a program to match welfare recipients with state lawmakers who will shape welfare reform policies.

Grossman's efforts to teach Washington state legislators about the system should be applauded and tried in other states.

Her approach should not be novel, but it is. Congress and state governments are floating reform ideas from the superfluous to the sublime. The common denominator for the majority of proposals, however, is minimal knowledge of the welfare labyrinth.

While only a handful of legislators participated in Grossman's program, those who did said they developed a better understanding of the system and the people it serves. One legislator paired with a mother of two acknowledged that food stamps didn't stretch as far as she thought they would. The legislator did not change her mind about many of her reform positions, but learned a lot from the experience.

The welfare reform debate often has more to do with scoring points with middle-class voters fed up with "free loaders" and taxes than it does with finding means to help families become self-sufficient. That attitude cannot lead to effective welfare reform.

San Angelo Standard-Times on redistricting:

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock is a pragmatic politician, and as such he has been disinclined to wage legislative battles that don't have to be fought.

That is why he has been reluctant to put redistricting on the agenda. Considering the many things that require the Legislature's attention, he told the *Standard-Times* editorial board last summer, creating a new way of drawing districts simply isn't a priority.

Left unsaid was that it would be a hard fight that would make a lot of state senators and representatives unhappy, and that even if something does need to be done there is no urgency, since redistricting isn't scheduled to occur again until after the 2000 census.

Also, voters tend not to include reapportionment when they discuss their concerns with legislators. It isn't the kind of issue that people can sink their teeth into.

But the U.S. Supreme Court may force the Legislature to redraw districts — again — for congressional representation, and perhaps the state Senate. It may become a priority, whether the Legislature wants it to be or not.

It would benefit citizens to become interested in the redistricting process, which often determines who, or at least which party, will represent them; whether their city or county is split, diluting their voting strength; and whether their district is largely made up of people with common interests.

Drawing sensible lines is difficult, but it becomes almost impossible when the political concerns of making sure certain people are re-elected and improving the majority party's chances of controlling the most seats are introduced.

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Berry's World



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"Let's get one thing straight here. I'M the victim."

Is Jack Kemp going to run?

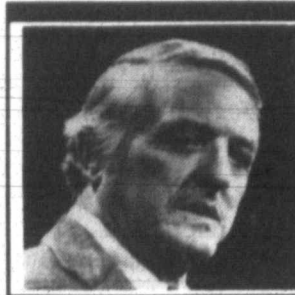
There is talk that Jack Kemp will not run for president. Not necessarily to be credited, because there is also talk that, on Super Bowl Sunday — that is the day Kemp gives his big annual party — he'll say, Count me in.

These words are not designed to give him, or the voters in Iowa and New Hampshire, authoritative advice on the question. They are intended to salute a wonder of the world, which is Jack Kemp's polemical gifts.

A few days ago I was exposed to him on four consecutive television programs, two of them dealing with the Federal Reserve Board's interest-rate policies, the others with tax reform proposals floating about. Other panelists were distinguished analysts, and there were many points of disagreement, but it isn't unfair to say that the preternatural enthusiasm of Jack Kemp for his positions and his quite extraordinary resourcefulness were the most memorable deposit of the four hours.

Presidential candidate Phil Gramm confided to a friend that Jack Kemp was wonderful, but there was this problem: Kemp attached all his hopes to growth. He meant by this that Kemp's soaring optimism about what would happen — most emphatically to the underclass — as a result of getting the government off the back of its citizens is a wholesale increase in the standard of living. When asked to compare the merits of the Clinton tax plan, the Gephardt plan, the Gingrich and the Gramm plans, Kemp asked, Why were we not considering the Arney plan, which appeals to him most?

The Arney plan is the flat-tax plan. Well, says Kemp, suggesting that he is embarrassed by his forthcoming capitulation to populist disposition, maybe we can't begin it at 17 percent. But why not 18 percent? Or even 19 percent?



William F. Buckley Jr.

The flat-tax proposal would exempt a family of four earning \$36,800 or less from paying any federal income tax. After that, everyone would pay 17 percent (Arney's proposal). All other hedges and exemptions would disappear, whence "flat" tax. The money that would then accumulate as federal revenue would equal what is now brought in under a tax law that fills seven volumes with its regulations, exemptions, immunities and myriad complications.

The advantages are manifest and reach beyond merely the prospective joy of making out one's income-tax return on a single sheet of paper. The advantage, Kemp reminds us, is the lubrication of the entire economy and the disappearance of progressive rates of taxation, which have the effect of dulling enterprise or directing investment policies toward tax avoidance, rather than productivity.

It all sounds very much, one panelist observed, like supply-side economics.

Look, said Kemp eagerly, you were in favor of GATT, weren't you?

Well, yes, sure, of course.

Well, Lloyd Bentsen was secretary of the Treasury when the GATT vote came around, and what he said was, lower the tariffs, and we will have more, not less, trade, export as well as import. And

early figures tend to confirm that, right?

Well now, a tariff is a tax, isn't it? So here was Clinton's secretary of the Treasury saying, Lower that tax and revenues will increase, not decrease. What's the difference between that tax and other taxes?

If you believe in free trade, don't you believe in supply side on that front? Why is that sound thought but unsound thought on other fronts?

The night before, Kemp had been in Jerusalem. He reported on the hunger of young Israelis for relief from the heavy load of taxation. He visited, en route, with President Vaclav Havel of the Czech Republic. He had been asked whether that republic, enjoying mounting prosperity, unlike its sister states with their sclerotic tax laws, would promulgate a capital-gains tax.

Havel smiled and said to Kemp that no, he did not desire to imitate those practices of the United States that were bad. "And Asia? — no capital-gains tax."

As for the Fed, it is habituated to think in terms of set patterns of activity, and is wrong in imposing interest rates that will prevent economic energy from rising to a higher level.

Yes, Kemp talks too much. Walter Mondale once quipped: "What comes after a speech by Hubert Humphrey on Saturday night? Sunday." At least as much can be said of Clinton, the man who almost stopped the Democratic convention in Atlanta in 1988 by his longwindedness.

But when Kemp does it, one isn't left with the feeling that megalomania is out running around the track. He communicates an enthusiasm for his enterprise that is nourished by hard application of his mind to the factual and theoretical bases of freedom, no less. Jack Kemp is himself a wonderfully nourishing experience.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 27, the 27th day of 1995. There are 338 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on Jan. 27, 1945, during World War II, Soviet troops liberated the Nazi death camp of Auschwitz-Birkenau in Poland.

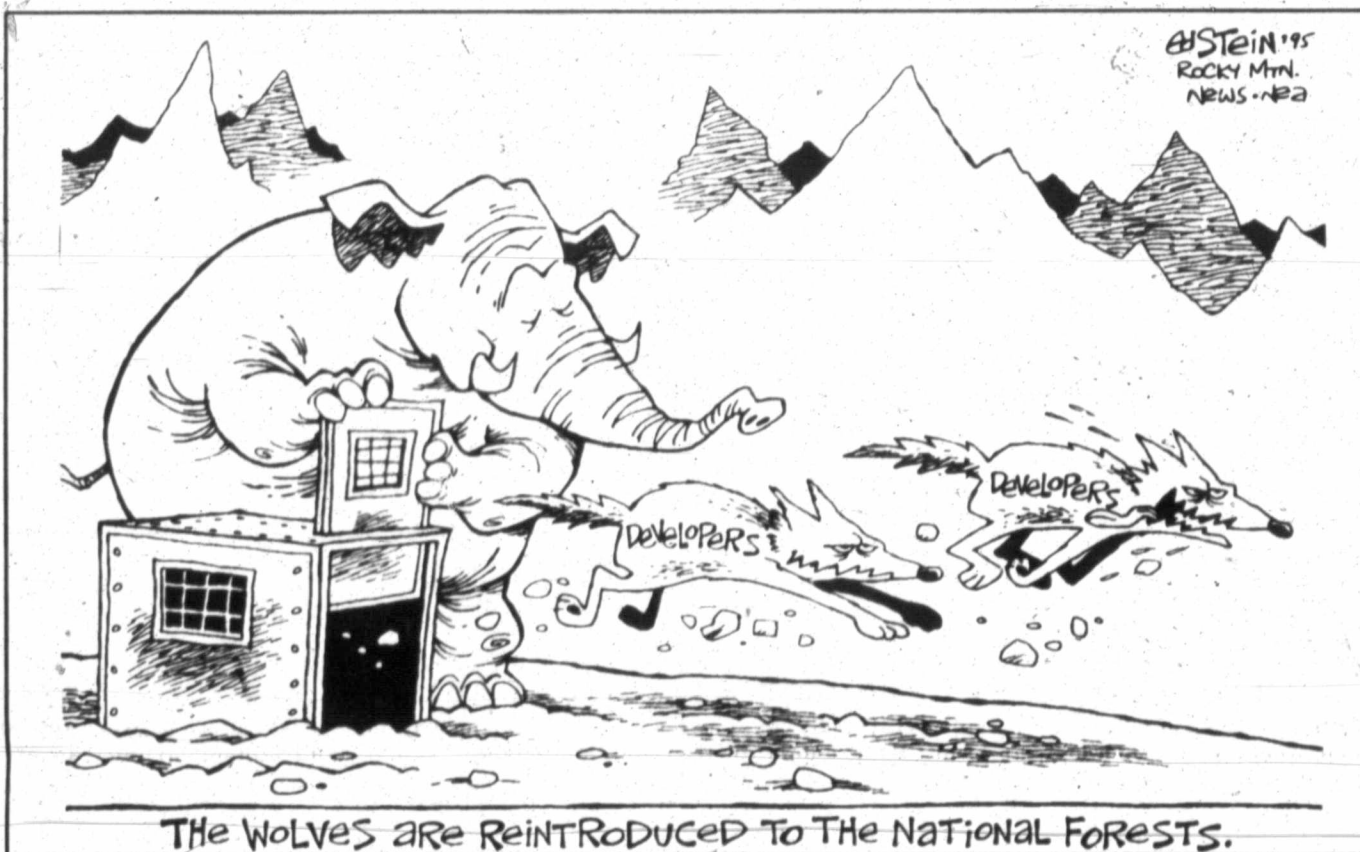
On this date:

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

In 1832, Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, who wrote *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* under the pen name Lewis Carroll, was born in Cheshire, England.

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

In 1951, an era of atomic testing in the Nevada desert began as an Air Force plane dropped a one-kiloton bomb on Frenchman Flats.



Wrong use of taxpayers' money

Baskett Moss was a classmate of mine in Tulsa, Okla. I was into tennis, and Bass was into swimming, but our paths converged professionally when I went into broadcast journalism and Prof. Baskett Moss became dean of the School of Journalism at Northwestern University.

In those days, when my office was seeking capable personnel, I sought graduates of his school first.

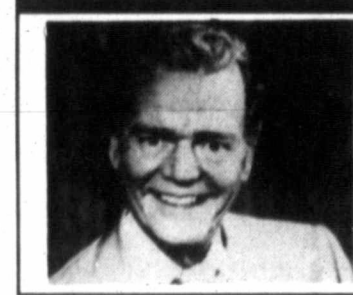
In the years since, I have found the most competent journalism graduates at much smaller Moody Bible Institute.

One day, I called Prof. Moss and said, "Bass, are you aware that you are graduating students in journalism who can't spell — some whose grammar is so atrocious I'd be embarrassed to have them answer the telephone?"

He said, "Paul, if they can't read or write and speak good grammar by the time they come to us, we have no time to teach them those things in the university."

Well, over the years since, Northwestern has established courses in remedial English for some who did not learn what they should have learned in high school.

Now I hear from the California State University



Paul Harvey

system that they don't want new students who lack basic English and math skills. Chancellor Barry Munitz says, "A frighteningly large percentage of students we're getting aren't ready for college."

So, these state universities are dropping remedial classes to ease the financial strain on the universities.

Our nation is still handicapped by three recent wars that skimmed the cream of our young people and left the Four-F's behind.

It also left "hiding in the ivy" of our colleges draft-evading students who had little or no aptitude for higher education and who might have been better served by vocational training.

Today's international competition demands more

workers with technical skills — not just in computers and electronics but in aircraft and auto mechanics.

In some work-with-the-hands occupations, proper grammar and spelling may not be essential, but anybody with any ambition to wash the grease off his hands and move into administration will discover the first stair-steps require the basics.

California State University at San Francisco refers 46 percent of all freshmen to remedial math classes.

Among "special admits" — athletes and minority students — 72 percent of last year's freshmen required courses in remedial English and 73 percent required courses in remedial math.

The investment of your tax dollars would be one of your best investments if it worked. But does it?

Inevitably, the California State University system measures itself by comparing curriculum and test scores with the top-ranked University of California system's colleges. So when, after four years of preparatory English and three years of preparatory mathematics, the California State University students were still failing entry-level placement tests, angry board members were dismayed: "This is not a proper use of taxpayers' money!"

Now it's the contract vs. covenant

WASHINGTON — So much for ceremony. Now it's the contract versus the covenant — the Republicans' quest for swift action on their promises, President Clinton's version of a new-look federal government.

Despite points of accord, there'll be more of contention as Clinton strives to regain the initiative from the GOP Congress.

They've got the votes; he's got the veto. Add to that mix the power of congressional Democrats to stall, or even block, action on measures the Republicans deem to be musts, and the fine words of cooperation and bipartisanship may ring hollow.

Now that Clinton has had his hour (plus 21 minutes) on the congressional stage, House Republicans are reclaiming it, setting to work on a centerpiece of their "Contract With America," the balanced budget amendment.

One of them recites the 10 contract pledges in the House every day; they promised votes on those measures in the first 100 days and have fewer than 80 left.

Clinton on Wednesday went to Kutztown, Pa., with his New Covenant message: "We are trying to change the focus of the national government to grassroots America."

That's fine with Republicans, who call it their idea in the first place. But they're irked at Clinton's opposition to the balanced budget amendment, although if they can get two-thirds votes, it's out of his hands and goes to the states for ratification.

Clinton said he's already done more to trim the deficit than anyone since Harry Truman, and if Republicans want to write a balanced budget into

Walter Mears
AP Special Correspondent

the Constitution, they ought to be straight about it and say what cuts and taxes it would take to get it done by 2002, their target.

After a politically awkward acknowledgement that with the cuts itemized in advance they couldn't get the amendment passed, Republican leaders demanded that Clinton deliver a seven-year balanced budget plan himself. The White House retorted that it was their proposal and their responsibility.

Clinton will define his own plan for spending cuts, and the five-year projection presidents are required to deliver, when he sends his budget to Congress on Feb. 6.

Collisions are also ahead on an increase in the \$4.25 an hour minimum wage, which Clinton can't get past the Republicans, and any GOP attempt to repeal the limited ban on assault-style weapons that was passed in the last Congress. The president said he wouldn't let that happen, meaning veto, although he didn't use the word this time.

He did use that word a year before, complete with a pen to wave, saying he'd block any health care reform bill that didn't meet his universal coverage terms. There was no better measure of the changed power balance than his acknowledgement Tuesday night that he'd bitten off too much, and will seek limited, first-step health reforms.

Among points of agreement, Clinton spoke of the

itemized veto power he wants and Republicans made part of their contract; of welfare reform; of action to bar the dumping of costly federal mandates on the states; of trimming the size and cost of government, which, he repeated, he's been doing for two years, with scant recognition.

He said government should be leaner, but not meaner.

The trouble comes in defining those terms in legislative action. On that, Republicans and Democrats have different dictionaries.

Take lobbying reform. Republicans say they'll get to it. Clinton said a law isn't needed for office-holders to turn down the favors of lobbyists. "Just stop accepting gifts from them," he said.

"Cheap shot," countered Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas, the majority leader. He said Clinton wasn't doing it, that lobbyists contribute to his legal defense fund. A few hours later, the fund's trustees announced Clinton had told them not to take lobbyists' money.

Even so, Dole said, the State of the Union is always the president's night, whether he is Democrat or Republican. The hard part, he said, will come in trying to make the impact last, while working with the GOP Congress.

Dole said they'll cooperate where they can, battle it out where they can't. "That's the way it's always been."

Former Vice President Dan Quayle said in a TV interview that gridlock probably will take hold later this year — "That's the normal political situation."

And for all the vows to end business as usual, on both sides, that's surely the way it will remain.

Deja vu: Security council acts like Politburo

By DAVE CARPENTER
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — Call it deja vu — Soviet-style. In a jarring throwback to the Communist era, a secretive panel of men who hold forth around a long rectangular table in the Kremlin is emerging as the true power behind some major Russian policy decisions.

Alarmed reformers see the Security Council as Russia's new Politburo, quietly usurping power from an increasingly withdrawn Boris Yeltsin.

Some accuse the hawkish council of pushing Russia into the war in Chechnya.

Whether the charge is true or not, the war has clearly enhanced the power of an institution that had been expanding its role and membership for more than a year under the aggressive stewardship of one of Yeltsin's hometown pals.

This week, after a closed-door meeting, it demonstrated its clout by announcing a shake-up in the military command in Chechnya and declaring the offensive virtually wrapped up.

"Recent events show that it's a second government," said Andrei Piontkowsky, director of the Strategic Studies Center, an independent Moscow research organization. It is not affiliated with the government-funded group of the same name.

"The Chernomyrdin government deals mainly

with economic issues, and the Security Council with political and military problems," he said.

Yeltsin designated the council as an advisory group when he created it by decree three years ago.

It has met at least once a month — and sometimes daily, as it has during the Chechen crisis — since then.

But the council was seen to have amassed significant power only after Yeltsin installed a long-time comrade from his hometown in Siberia, Sverdlovsk (now Yekaterinburg), as its chairman in September 1993.

Oleg Lobov, a 57-year-old construction engineer, held various Communist Party titles and even tried unsuccessfully to become Russia's Communist Party chief in 1990. He was a member of the Soviet parliament before becoming a conservative economics minister and first deputy prime minister under Yeltsin.

Now he is one of a handful of voting members on the 14-man Security Council, which he oversees in administrative offices located, tellingly, in the former Communist Party headquarters.

The council, chaired by Yeltsin, includes: the prime minister; the defense, foreign and interior ministers; the chief of counterintelligence; and the speakers of both houses. Its decisions do not have to be approved by parliament.

A prominent liberal lawmaker, Sergei

Yushenkov, suspects that under the ambitious Lobov's leadership the council has consolidated its own power and is overturning Yeltsin's decisions. Another, Ella Pamfilova, has called the council a "collective maniac" responsible for the Chechnya war.

Former Justice Minister Yuri Kalmykov's resignation from the council last month lent some weight to that accusation.

Kalmykov told the *Komsomolskaya Pravda* daily that the council had used an old Soviet tactic to drum through a plan for military intervention in Chechnya.

He said the members were asked to vote their approval at the start of the meeting; then they were allowed to give their opinions.

"Everyone voted yes. And then we began to discuss it," Kalmykov said. He admitted voting his assent, and said he quit after being the sole member to argue against the use of force.

Yeltsin announced the start of the offensive shortly after that meeting. But who knows whether he was acting on his own, on the council's decision or at the urging of his innermost circle of associates?

Piontkowsky attributes the council's rise in influence to Yeltsin's inclination to create a system of checks and balances, and try to remain in the middle. "Yeltsin may forget about the Security Council tomorrow," he said.



(AP photo)

Sigmund Sobolewski of the Auschwitz Awareness Society in Alberta, Canada, dressed in a uniform used by prisoners at the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, rests during memorials marking the 50th anniversary of the liberation of the camp by Soviet soldiers.

Memorials mark anniversary of liberation from Auschwitz

By MONIKA SCISLOWSKA
Associated Press Writer

OSWIECIM, Poland (AP) — Jews who stared out the gates of Auschwitz when they were liberated 50 years ago returned today to honor the 1.5 million people who died there at the hands of the Nazis.

On Jan. 27, 1945, stunned Soviet troops found only 5,200 starving and tortured prisoners alive, some barely able to move, others crumpled in the snow, breathing their last breaths even as freedom finally came.

About that many mourners gathered today: Survivors wearing imitations of the striped prisoners' uniforms; others waving Israeli flags, silently weeping, praying and stamping their feet against the cold.

Leading the crowd, President Lech Walesa, Auschwitz survivor Elie Wiesel and Israeli Knesset speaker Shevah Weiss walked side by side under Auschwitz's cruel entrance sign: "Arbeit Macht Frei," or "Work Shall Make You Free."

"I came back because I've got this fantastic feeling that I can say to my driver, 'Wait for me at the gate. I will be back in three hours, and we will go back to Warsaw,'" said Noah Kleger, 69, a French Jew who survived Auschwitz with his parents. "It's a feeling I cannot explain."

As mourners lighted candles on the railroad tracks that once brought hundreds of thousands in cattle cars for slaughter, Maurice Goldstein told about his 23rd birthday, the day the Red Army came.

"It was a freezing day, with a lot of snow," Goldstein, the chairman of the International Auschwitz Committee, told the mourners today.

"The fear about our lives, which accompanied us all the time at Auschwitz, became even greater. We could hear the sounds of freedom," he said.

Wiesel was not at the camp that day. He had left the camp with his father and 58,000 prisoners the Nazis forced to march westward after blowing up the gas chambers and crematoria in an attempt to hide their crimes from the approaching Red Army.

Most of the 58,000 were murdered by Nazi guards or died of cold and hunger on the way.

Family plays host to bats

TIVOLI, Texas (AP) — Bats have a Southeast Texas family scared to go outside after dark.

Thousands of bats flying through the night air, bouncing off walls and windows, return each night to their new roost inside Sandi and Terry Dowdys' home overlooking the Guadalupe River.

"I don't want to stay," Mrs. Sandi told *The Victoria Advocate* Thursday. "I'm afraid the baby (Eric, her 13-year-old son) will get rabies."

If they don't find a way soon to get the bats out and keep them out, the infestation could cost the Dowdys their rented home.

Mrs. Dowdy first noticed sounds in the walls a few months ago — scraping and chirping noises. But not until lately did the couple realize that the noises were being caused by bats.

The family is convinced that the bats are damaging wiring inside the walls. Electrical cords feel hot to the

"Close your eyes and look, and you will see what we have seen, endless nocturnal processions are converging here at night, and here it is always night," Wiesel said.

"Close your eyes and listen to the silent screams that terrify mothers, listen to the prayers of anguished old men and women, listen to the tears of children," he said.

Wiesel read a statement from President Clinton that said: "Jewish people were singled out for destruction during the Holocaust ... and have shouldered history's heaviest burden."

President Lech Walesa of Poland spoke of a "factory of death."

"Here where we are standing people were put to death in a carefully thought-over and dispassionate way, like one solves mathematical calculations," Walesa said.

"There was a kind of bureaucracy. A new kind of a criminal was created here ..."

Walesa apparently acknowledged that Jews were the main target of the Nazi genocide plan and, in the process, reconciled a dispute with Jewish leaders that had marred the anniversary commemorations.

"The distance we have walked from the sign that says, 'Work makes you free,' to this death house, is a symbolic journey," Walesa said. "A journey down the road that stands for the suffering of many nations, especially of the Jewish nation."

Those words — "especially of the Jewish nation" — were missing from a prepared text of his speech, and Walesa hadn't mentioned Jews during his public speeches Thursday marking the liberation.

Auschwitz was initially built for Polish opponents of the Nazis, and for non-Jewish Poles, it has become a symbol of martyrdom.

Feeling that Walesa's government was organizing a nationalist remembrance that downplayed the Jews' persecution, Jewish groups had held a separate religious service on Thursday at the Birkenau gas chambers, a mile from Auschwitz.

In a meeting of Nobel Peace Prize winners Thursday night, Wiesel had told Walesa it was very important to mention Jews and other nations, including Poles.

touch, Dowdy said, and "the coffee maker is doing some magical things." He's also sure that the creatures are multiplying inside the walls.

Game Warden Timothy Holland, who inspected the house, said the Dowdys have a "beehive of bats."

The bats leave the house from several holes and openings each night after sundown, Dowdy said.

"They don't need much more space than a cockroach does, you know," said Dowdy. "Right after dark, they get active. They leave in groups like 15 or 20. In and out. They come out and get food for the babies. Trying to get back in, they hit the windows and walls."

Walter Dowell of the Calhoun County Pest Control said the infestation has him stumped.

"To be perfectly frank, I don't know how they're going to get rid of them. If they were all in one place, I could get them," Dowell said.

Economy grows at 4 percent in 1994, best in a decade

WASHINGTON (AP) — The economy closed out last year by expanding at a robust annual rate of 4.5 percent in the fourth quarter, pushing all of 1994 to the strongest growth in a decade.

The Commerce Department said today that heavy consumer spending, particularly for big-ticket durable goods, propelled the advance in the fourth quarter as it had throughout 1994.

The economy grew 4.0 percent last year. The last time growth was more rapid was in 1984, when the economy surged 6.2 percent during the final year of President Reagan's first term in office. The economy increased 3.1 percent in 1993.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said the report "demonstrates the strength of the economic recovery and once again reminds us that protecting the economic recovery and the creation of jobs for Americans ought to be at the top of every agenda in Washington."

Analysts said a slowdown appears inevitable, because of a huge buildup in inventories that could take months to draw down. Economists said they expect the Federal Reserve to boost interest rates again next week, but then pause to see whether the higher rates are taking hold.

"I think the Fed will move into a holding pattern after that and perhaps wait several months," said economist David Jones of Aubrey G. Lanston & Co., a New York City government securities dealer. "Business will pull back in the early part of 1995 and that will lead to a drop in overall economic growth."

Despite the heady expansion, which was in line with economists' expectations, inflation remained tame and actually declined in the fourth quarter. One measure of inflation tied to the nation's gross domestic product rose 2.5 percent in the October-December quarter compared to 3.5 percent in the third quarter.

The price index was up 2.7 percent for all of last year, its best showing since the government began the gauge in 1983.

The fourth quarter growth occurred despite rising interest rates intended to slow the economy. The economy grew at a 4 percent annual rate in the third quarter.

The Federal Reserve pushed up interest rates six times in 1994, a total of 2.5 percentage points, and central bank policy-makers are expected to boost them a seventh time when they meet next week.

Gross domestic product measures all goods and services produced in the United States.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told the Senate Budget Committee on Thursday that he sees signs the economy is slowing from its remarkably rapid pace.

"The very torrid rate of increase is slowing down. It's no longer flat out. Fairly good moderate growth is

occurring," he said.

The most recent interest rate increase was on Nov. 15, when the Fed raised two key rates three-fourths of a percentage point, the biggest jump in 13 years.

The central bank, hoping to stifle inflation, would like to see economic growth at around 2.5 percent.

The central bank's policy-making Federal Open Market Committee meets Tuesday and Wednesday, its first of eight meetings this year.

The Commerce Department said the economy's annual rate of growth was \$59.8 billion in the fourth quarter, compared to \$52.9 billion in third quarter.

Consumer spending accounted for most of the gain, as durable goods purchases for items such as cars, computers and home appliances soared 18.4 percent. That was the largest gain for items expected to last at least three years since a 21.7 percent increase in the first three months of 1988.

He's ready to fight, she wants to talk: Blame the brain

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — It isn't just their nature that makes men ready to fight while women display their emotions in a softer way, researchers say. The difference is in their brains.

Until now, said Ruben C. Gur, a neuropsychologist, the thinking was that the different ways the sexes respond to emotions was learned behavior. But his tests suggest that they may have a physical basis.

"The reason for the differences is a question studied extensively," said Gur, director of the brain behavior laboratory at the University of Pennsylvania. "So far, there is very little evidence linking directly brain function to those differences."

He and his colleagues determined that the brains of men and women are identical except in the region that

deals with emotional processing.

Sophisticated scanning techniques showed the part controlling action-oriented responses was more active in men. The part of the brain thought to control more symbolic emotional responses was more active in women, the University of Pennsylvania scientists write in the journal *Science*.

The sexes differ in cognitive abilities, which include memory and judgment.

For instance, men tend to do better in tests in which they look at an object and try to imagine how it will look when rotated. Women do better at such abstract, mental dexterity tests as looking at different shapes, colors and sizes and sorting them according to a principle they have to guess at.

The differences also show in verbal memory, Gur said. "If you rattle off 15 items to get at the supermarket, women are more likely to

remember the most. That's some of the wife's frustration when the husband comes back and has forgotten some of them. It may be endemic to his sex."

"There is a brain system known as the limbic system that we know is very heavily involved in the emotional process," he said. "If we stimulate an animal by electrical impulse in some regions of the limbic system, that animal will burst out in rage."

When people have brain lesions in those areas, he said, they may become unpredictable and "lash out without reason at people or become so placid they seem to have lost enjoyment in life."

The researchers tested 37 men and 24 women for brain activity in a machine similar to a CT scan.

Radioactive glucose was administered as the subjects lay quietly in a dimly lit room. The scientists were able to measure activity as they fol-

lowed consumption of sugar by the brain; the more sugar used, the brighter the image.

Men had higher activity in the limbic system, a part of the brain that remains from the era in evolution when reptiles flourished. Reptiles have the same components, but no one would expect them to contemplate a situation before lashing out.

Women showed more activity in one of the newer and more-refined parts of this system, the cingulate gyrus.

"The speculation is that the reason men are more inclined to express aggression instrumentally is because this is a part of the brain that is more active in men," he said. "Conversely, the part of the brain more active in women deals with more refined, symbolic means of emotional expression."

Gur said more aspects of behavior may relate to these systems.

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Influenza and psychological disorders plague quake victims

By GREG MYRE
Associated Press Writer

KOBE, Japan (AP) — While doctors try to fight back the flu sweeping through the throngs left homeless by last week's earthquake, they also worried Thursday about another problem afflicting victims, one that can't be cured by a shot — depression.

The intense psychological strain from the quake that killed more than 5,000 people showed poignantly when Lt. Gen. Yusuke Matsushima, army commander for central Japan, wept openly as he apologized for the government's initially laggard response to the disaster. It took Japanese troops nearly 15 hours to get to the scene and begin rescue operations.

In the shelters housing many of the 300,000 people who lost their homes, the strain was less dramatic but just as devastating.

"I walked around yesterday and saw many people just

lying on the floor very depressed," said Kiyu Shindo, a doctor at one emergency clinic. "They just don't know what to do. They are still shocked. They are healthy. They are just very depressed."

The death toll from the Jan. 17 quake — second deadliest in Japan this century — rose Thursday to 5,083 as four more bodies were recovered from the ruins of this port city. Police said 51 people remain unaccounted for. More than 88,000 buildings were destroyed, leaving about 300,000 people homeless.

Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama has been accused of failing to take decisive action in the first critical hours. But Matsushima blamed the delays on poor communications that he said prevented him from receiving detailed damage assessments. The government put Matsushima in charge Thursday of the first major review of its emergency management policy in 24 years.

"It was regrettable we could not save more lives," Matsushima said, wiping away tears. "I understand why

people were so upset. People said, 'why didn't you come help us sooner? Why weren't you there? I understand, but it was the situation.'"

The government hopes to have 19,000 temporary houses ready for occupation in a few days, Sadotoshi Ozato, the minister in charge of quake relief, said Thursday. The government also has promised to funnel money to private landlords to subsidize rents for survivors.

Meanwhile, the flu caseload has soared in crowded school gymnasiums and tents where survivors have sought shelter. According to regional health official Mikio Maeda, 575 had been diagnosed in the shelters by Thursday, an increase of 144 over the previous day.

"The number of flu patients has increased because of poor (living) conditions," Maeda said. About 847,000 households still lack natural gas for heating and at night temperatures hover around freezing.

Medical services have been stretched to the limit not

only because of the number injured but also the lack of facilities. The regional medical association announced Thursday that about 25 percent of the area's 4,187 hospitals, clinics and doctors' offices had closed due to damage.

Flowers and stuffed animals have begun arriving at some shelters, the work of volunteer psychiatrists trying to create a "healing environment" among survivors.

"For many disaster victims, flowers are just as important as food," said Dr. Kazue Takayanagi of Tokyo's Nippon Medical University.

Volunteer psychiatrists operating a 24-hour counseling hotline said they have received an average of 200 calls a day since the quake.

In Tokyo, Finance Minister Masayoshi Takemura told a parliament committee that the costs of rebuilding Kobe and surrounding communities will be "considerable," but he gave no estimate. He said two supplementary budgets and a bond issue would probably be required.

Initial estimates have run as high as \$400 billion.



(Special photo)

Ralph Milliron receives a pin from his wife as George Clark, left, district Masonic relations officer presents him the Golden Trowel Award for Masonic service. Watching the presentation is Don Harrison, right, Worshipful Master of Top O' Texas Masonic Lodge #1381.

Milliron receives Golden Trowel Award

Ralph Milliron of Pampa was recently awarded the prestigious Golden Trowel Award during a meeting of Top O' Texas Masonic Lodge #1381.

The Golden Trowel Award is designated as the highest award a lodge can bestow upon an individual member. The purpose of the award is to honor a distinguished member who, year after year, quietly but actively demonstrates his devotion to the teachings of Masonry without thought of recognition or special honors.

Milliron is a past member of Pampa Lodge #966 and past district Deputy Grand Master of District 98 and has been a willing worker on a number of committees.

In other civic activities, Milliron has served for many years on the Planning and Zoning Commission for the city of Pampa, as well as serving on the Board of

Adjustments. He is also a member of the Kiwanis Club and a past president of the Golden-K Kiwanis Club. Milliron is a member of the First United Methodist Church.

In Masonic activities, he is also a member of the El Paso Scottish Rite and has received a KCCH honorary degree in the El Paso Scottish Rite. Milliron also is a past president of the Pampa Scottish Rite, a member of the Borger chapter, and the council and commandery of York Rite Masonry.

He also is a member of the Khiva Shrine in Amarillo and is a past president of the Pampa Shrine Club.

Making the presentation of the Golden Trowel to Milliron was George Clark, district Masonic relations officer.

Teens turn to Jimson weed for highs

ATLANTA (AP) — Teenagers seeking a new high are turning to an infamous and deadly plant whose first recorded use was by settlers of Jamestown more than 300 years ago.

At least two teenagers died last year after drinking a poisonous tea made from Jimson weed or eating its seeds, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Thursday.

The CDC report described four cases from El Paso, where the two teenagers died; 14 cases from Long Island; and six cases in Los Angeles, where officials believe recent fires promoted regrowth of the plant.

The toxic plant causes hallucinations — usually of insects — as well as seizures, coma and death. Its popularity varies from year to year. In Maitland, Fla., on Monday, concern over reports that the plant made nearly 100 teens ill led the city to ban cultivation of the plant.

Jimson weed, also known as thorn apple or angel's trumpet, grows throughout North America and is particularly common in the central United States. It reaches a height of 5 feet and has white or violet trumpet-shaped flowers.

"It's incredibly common," said Carol Rubin, a CDC epidemiologist. "And the health effects are horrible. No one that describes having tried it ever wants to try it again."

Dry mouth, confusion, agitation, combativeness and difficulty speaking and swallowing often accompany the hallucinations, which often are of insects crawling over the body.

Victims often tear off their clothes because they feel hot, said Tom Caraccio of Winthrop University Hospital's Long Island Regional Poison Control Center.

In 1993, the American Association of Poison Control Centers received

318 reports of Jimson weed poisoning.

There is no antidote for Jimson weed poisoning. Patients are usually treated with activated charcoal to absorb the plant's ingredients, have their stomach pumped or receive a drug, physostigmine, whose side effects are often as unpleasant as the plant's — a slowed heart rate and seizures.

The plant's poisoning effects are unpredictable and can vary from plant to plant, year to year. Its immediate effect also can vary, leading people to ingest more, often with other drugs, according to Rubin. The effects can last for several days, she warned.

Jimson was a nickname for Jamestown, the colonial Virginia settlement where the weed's hallucinogenic effects were first recorded in 1676. The plant was used by American Indians for medicinal and religious purposes.

Baker Elementary School Honor Roll

Baker Elementary School has announced its Honor Roll for the third six weeks grading period and first semester of the 1994-1995 school year.

Third Six Weeks Honor Roll

Second Grade — Nicole Bryan, Marisela Camacho, Omar Chavez, Megan Coffey, Michael Flores, Lucio Gurrola, Omar Kirklin, Shannon Lewis, Joshua Mason, Jatin Patel, Lamelia Perez, Jaime Resendiz, Jennifer Bryan, Mateo Campos, Cindy Conde, Araceli DeLaTorre, Timothy Dudley, Jay Kelly, Mario Marin, Kaysi Middleton, Felipe Portillo, Diana Resendiz, Alex Santacruz, Anna Vaquera and Armando Villegas.

Third Grade — Aaron Silva, Dean Moman, Jaime Chavez and Raquel Ramirez.

Fourth Grade — Megan Davis, Zach Ferris, Ruven Chavez, Julian George, Levi Holder, Griselle

Ramirez and James Silva.
Fifth Grade — Orlando Madrid, Dolly Anderson, Matt Brown, Brandon Berner and Chris Tice.

First Semester Honor Roll

Second Grade — Nicole Bryan, Marisela Camacho, Omar Chavez, Megan Coffey, Shannon Lewis, Jaime Resendiz, Jatin Patel, Jennifer Bryan, Mateo Campos, Jay Kelly, Felipe Portillo, Diana Resendiz, Araceli DeLaTorre and Mario Marin.

Third Grade — Aaron Silva, Dean Moman, Jaime Chavez, Raquel Ramirez and Stormy Ragan.

Fourth Grade — Joel Botello, Megan Davis, Zach Ferris, Levi Holder, Julian George, Griselle Ramirez and James Silva.

Fifth Grade — Orlando Madrid, Dolly Anderson, Brandon Berner and Chris Tice.

Austin Elementary School Honor Roll

Stephen F. Austin Elementary School has announced its Honor Roll for the third six weeks grading period of the 1995 school year.

Second Grade A-Honor Roll

Nicole Adams, Payton Baird, Alyssa Bromwell, Shea Brown, Kyle Cambern, Liz Campbell, Ryan Carroll, Calli Carter, Rhiannon Casados, Carrie Clay, Faren Copeland, John Doss, Tyler Doughty, Luke Dyer, Monica Eakin, Dustin Elliott, Coby Fedric, Seth Foster, Andrew Fraser, Teryn Garner, Lindsay Gill, Rebecca Gindorf and Clayton Hall.

Ann Hampton, Keeton Hutto, Kaysi Knight, Lynzy Leach, Dusty Lenderman, Heather Martin, Mark Murray, Ann Murtishaw, Chase Musgrave, Royce O'Neal, Neil Packard, LaShonda Parks, Stacy Pepper, Tosha Powell, Jake Roberts, Matt Robertson, Andrew Smith, Carissa Snelgrooves, Blake Watkins and Meagan Wheeler.

A-B Honor Roll

Emilea Greer, Kelly Hutchinson, Lindsey Ledford, Heath Miller, Katie Perrone, Max Roush, Autumn Schaub, Joel Shannon, Jaelyn Spearman, Greg Steele and Kyle Ward.

Third Grade A-Honor Roll

Courtney Adkins, Darrin Allen, Andrew Ammons, Amanda Anderson, Jessica Arnold, Alan Arzola, Brianna Bailey, Ryan Barnes, Nathan Bruce, Kelsey

Caldwell, Jerrod Carruth, Erica Cochran, Michelle Cox, Megan David, Clarke Hale, Jessica Hall, Krissy Holman, Misty Ivey, Drew Jaegle, Anna Johnson and Jonathan Jones.

Tara Jordan, Tyler Knight, Tamara Lamberth, Laurn Langford, Derek Lewis, Cody Locknane, Michael Martinez, Lindsey Musgrave, Shelby Patton, Lindsey Price, Casey Reel, Katie Shaffer, Aaron Simon, Jera Skinner, Mac Smith, Johnny Story, Dennis Taylor, Shaleene Taylor, Ryan Trice and Britton White.

A-B Honor Roll

Christopher Arnold, Brad Britton, Zachary Cain, Alan Curry, Chelsey Davis, Brian Denney, Bradley Fletcher, Tyler Holmes, Garrett Johnston, Dwayne Cody Shaw and Elliot Smith.

Fourth Grade A-Honor Roll

Grant Biehler, Amber Bowers, Abby Bradley, Luke Burton, Abby Cavalier, Annie Chumbley, Stacie Clay, Benjamin Froggè, John Cody Hahn, Ali Hamshari, Bonnie Holmes, Brad Justice, Rhett Lawrence, Jordan Maxwell, Lindsey Meyer, Matthew Murray, Katy Newhouse, Vanessa Orr and Cara Packard.

Sarah Porter, Kendra Rabar, Brent Raney, Matthew Robben, Jordan Roberts, Joshua Robertson, Hal Rogers, Sarah Schwab, Eric Scoggins, Megan Shannon, Max Simon, Teryn Stowers, A. J. Swope, Kelly Tripplehorn, Valerie Velez, Lauren Walters, Mary Alice Warner,

Angie Williams and Ashley Willis.

A-B Honor Roll

Landon Baker, Andrew Cambern, Garrett Conner, Julie Craig, Amber Driggers, Kandice Garrison, Kelci Hedrick, Tess Kingcade, Evan Ladd, Lindsey Ledbetter, Brandy Ledford, Andrea Lee, Michael Mechler, Christopher Owen, Curtis Pritchett, Jordan Spearman, Denecia Taylor, Zach Windhorst, Codi Wisdom and Jeffrey Woodington.

Fifth Grade A-Honor Roll

Cory Bigham, Ryan Bradley, Keenan Davis, Chesney Driggers, Patrick Dunigan, Ashley Everson, Rebecca Fatheree, Samantha Ford, Kyle Francis, Sarah Fraser, Claire Hampton, Sepp Haukebo, Desiree Hillman, Tyler Hudson, Dustin Johnson, Adam Jones, Ashlei Jordan and Michelle Kogler.

Michelle Lee, Collin Lewis, Danielle Martinez, Evan Miller, Ryan Nash, David Phillips, Erin Raber, Sara Scott, Taylor Stellman, Kelly Stowers, Kristen Stowers, Brandon Trice, Doug Warren, Morgan White, Aaron Willis and Jarrett Woodington.

A-B Honor Roll

Molly Beck, Erik Brown, Stephanie Clark, Ashley Derington, Greg Easley, Corey Kindle, Michael Leland, Jennifer Lindsey, Cortney Locknane, Matthew McComas, Lindsey Naron, Kandra Poole, Trent Price, Taylor Sims, A.J. Smith, Jared Spearman, Sarah Teague, Dane Ward and Leslie Ward.

Ectopic pregnancies increase sixfold since 1970

ATLANTA (AP) — Ectopic pregnancies, the dangerous development of fetuses outside the womb, have surged sixfold in the last two decades to a record high because of sexually transmitted diseases, federal health experts said Thursday.

But more women are getting treatment without a costly hospital stay and are surviving, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported in the government's most complete look at the problem.

When the government began counting ectopic pregnancies in 1970, the estimated rate was 4.5 per 1,000 reported pregnancies, or 17,800 women. That compares with a rate of 19.7, or 108,800 women in 1992, the latest year figures were available, the CDC said.

The CDC first began counting all

women treated for ectopic pregnancies in 1992. If researchers counted only the women who were hospitalized, as in 1970, the numbers still more than tripled over the years to 58,200 cases.

The dramatic increase of diseases like chlamydia is spurring the rise in ectopic pregnancies, CDC epidemiologist Beth Macke said. Chlamydia and other sexually transmitted diseases can scar the fallopian tubes and prevent a fertilized egg from reaching the uterus.

Studies also implicate failed tubal sterilizations, the increase of drugs and surgery to induce ovulation, and smoking and stress. The rates of ectopic pregnancies are highest for women older than 30 and for minority women.

Ectopic pregnancies occur when the fertilized egg lodges in the fal-

lopian tubes. As the fetus grows, it can rupture the tubes or cause severe bleeding.

And since the late 1980s, fewer women have been hospitalized for ectopic pregnancies because new technology has moved from the hospital to the doctor's office, where about half of women with ectopic pregnancies now seek help, Macke said.

"The point is that early recognition and treatment can prevent some of the major complications, such as emergency surgery and infertility, and death," she said.

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Sharp: Property taxes totaled \$14.6 billion in Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Local governmental bodies in Texas levied nearly \$15 billion in property taxes during 1993, the state comptroller's office says.


A report released Thursday said those taxes were levied by cities, counties, school districts and special units such as rural fire, hospital and utility districts.

The total amount, \$14.64 billion, was up from \$13.98 billion levied in 1992.

School property taxes alone, imposed by the state's 1,041 independent school districts, totaled nearly \$8.7 billion, more than 59 percent of the total 1993 property taxes. Cities levied about \$2.4 billion, or

around 16 percent. County property taxes of almost \$2.1 billion were just over 14 percent of the total. The special district taxes topped \$1.5 billion, almost 11 percent.

According to the comptroller's report, major state and local sales taxes and property taxes in 1993 totaled approximately \$33 billion.



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