

(AP photo by Michelle Bridwell)

The Pampa High School Harvester Band marches in the inaugural parade on Congress Avenue in Austin on Tuesday. The band was one of many participating in festivities for Gov. George W. Bush.

## Bush goes to work as governor

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush got to work quickly on his first full day in office.

Only hours after his inaugural balls ended, Bush was scheduled to host a breakfast meeting today with the governors of the five Mexican states that border Texas.

Several of those governors had attended his inauguration, and Bush said, "Their presence is a clear sign of the importance of the relationship between Texas and Mexico."

"May our friendship bring much good to both our countries," he said.

Bush's meeting was to include the governors of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, Vera Cruz, Coahuila and Chihuahua.

Tuesday's ceremony made Bush, 48, only the second Republican governor of Texas since Reconstruction. With his father, the former president, looking on, Bush took the oath of office about 12:18 p.m.

In his inaugural address, he called for limited government, personal accountability and freedom from too much federal control.

"My guiding principle will be government if necessary, but not necessarily government," he said. "Texans know the more government tries to do, the less it accomplishes. Texans

want government to concentrate on a few critical areas and do them well." Bush said he believes deeply in separation of powers between the federal and state governments.

"As governor, I will use every resource at my disposal to make the federal government in Washington heed this simple truth: Texans can run Texas."

Repeating themes from his election campaign, Bush promised to work for legislation freeing local schools from most state regulations, tightening juvenile crime laws, tightening welfare benefits and ending what he called frivolous lawsuits that hurt business.

"For the last 30 years, our culture has steadily replaced personal responsibility with collective guilt. This must end. The new freedom Texas seeks must be matched with renewed personal responsibility. The very future of our society depends on it," he said.

His predecessor, Democrat Ann Richards, was traveling in California and didn't take part in the ceremony. Four former governors — Preston Smith, Dolph Briscoe, Mark White and Bill Clements — did attend.

Also taking his oath of office was Democratic Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, 65, who won a second term last

November. Bullock vowed to put partisanship aside.

"I pledge to you and to the Legislature and to the people of Texas that I will give every bit of energy, every bit of expertise that I have in working ... with you for a better Texas," Bullock said.

Bush's inauguration came one week after the 1995 Texas Legislature convened for its 140-day session.

The Republican governor said he brings an ambitious agenda for lawmakers to consider, one that will follow through on his campaign philosophy that he said Texans heartily endorsed.

"Responsibility starts at home. It starts with responsible families," Bush said.

"I wish I knew the law that would cause people to love each other. I do not. But I do know our laws must be written to strengthen families, not diminish them. Every piece of legislation that crosses my desk will be judged by whether it keeps families together, safe and strong."

Bush said that "to save a generation of young people," juvenile and criminal laws need changing. "If we want young Texans to learn to make correct choices, the consequences of bad behavior must be certain and clear," he said.

## Justices allow lawsuit in frequent-flier case

WASHINGTON (AP) — People can sue airlines that retroactively restrict their frequent-flier club benefits, the Supreme Court ruled today.

The 6-2 decision allows an Illinois class-action lawsuit to go forward against American Airlines, inventor of the immensely popular frequent-flier plans now offered by every major airline.

A federal airline-deregulation law does not bar lawsuits over frequent-flier plans from state courts, the court said.

Federal law does not allow states to enact laws regulating airlines, but

it does let state courts decide breach-of-contract lawsuits filed by airline customers, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote for the court.

"A remedy confined to a contract's terms simply holds parties to their agreements — in this instance, to business judgments an airline made public about its rates and services," she wrote.

"This distinction between what the state dictates and what the airline itself undertakes confines courts ... to the parties' bargain," she added.

Today's decision upheld an Illinois Supreme Court ruling that let frequent-flier club members sue Fort

Worth, Texas-based American over restrictions it imposed on the program in 1988 in an effort to hold down costs.

The airline limited the number of seats used on each flight for free or discounted tickets and said passengers no longer could use such tickets on heavy travel days such as Christmas and Thanksgiving.

The airline said it had reserved the right to change the benefits it offered. But club members accused American of breach of contract, saying the airline improperly reduced the value of travel miles they had saved.

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## Statewide rabies quarantine issued

FORT WORTH (AP) — Texas has issued a statewide rabies quarantine after virulent strains of the disease spread throughout the West and South.

The outbreak has spread to 18 Texas counties since it started in 1988, raising fears that the disease might spread into the state's cities, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported in today's editions.

Officials in South Texas, where the outbreak started, say that rabies has become a major public health concern in their areas.

"It's a sense of urgency we're sending to the community," Hidalgo County Judge J. Edgar Ruiz told The Monitor newspaper

in McAllen on Tuesday.

The statewide quarantine, imposed Friday, is the first in Texas history, said Dr. Gayne Fearneyhough, director of the Texas Public Health Department's oral rabies vaccine project in Austin.

The quarantine forbids movement of wild animals across county or state lines. It also requires all domestic dogs and cats older than three months to be vaccinated before they can be transported, said Dr. James Wright, the health department rabies expert for the Arlington region.

Each violation of the quarantine could result in a \$500 fine, Fearneyhough said.

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## Marfa loses City Hall in morning fire

MARFA (AP) — Much of this West Texas town's history has been lost or damaged by a fire that destroyed several public buildings.

"We lost everything," Mayor Fritz Kahl said Tuesday.

The early morning blaze was reported at 4 a.m. and by the time firefighters arrived, the flames already had devastated the Marfa City Hall and adjacent police headquarters, said City Manager David Chavez.

The Emergency Medical Service office and a local artist's studio also were gutted. There were no serious injuries, but all of the town's records, criminal evidence and medical supplies were incinerated, Kahl said.

Also, there was extensive smoke, water and structural damage at the Palace Theater, a former opera house that appeared in the James Dean movie *Giant*.

All firefighters from Marfa and Alpine could do was keep the flames from spreading, Chavez said. Several were treated for smoke inhalation.

"It's a total loss," said Marfa Fire Marshall Mando Hernandez. "Nothing was saved."

Much of the firefighting was done by volunteers, all of whom were credited for their speedy work.

"There is a lot of speculation that half of the block would have gone down if they hadn't," Chavez said.

The state fire marshal's office was asked to determine the cause of the fire, Chavez said.

Meanwhile, Chavez and other city employees set up temporary offices in the abstract offices next door to city hall and continued business as well as they could with no records.

Some of the lost records, including old ordinances and records, are irreplaceable.

"Everything that made this town a town went up in smoke," said Jeannie E. Amis, an EMS worker and local artist.

## Japan quake toll tops 2,500; rescue hopes dim

By P.H. FERGUSON  
Associated Press Writer

KOBE, Japan (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of people, some bandaged and limping, fled by foot, car and bicycle today from this earthquake-ravaged western port city. The death toll topped 2,500.

Thousands who stayed behind huddled around campfires and caught water from broken pipes, too terrified to go into their homes.

Many phone lines in the western port city of Kobe were still down, and friends and family struggled to find each other. People left notes tacked to what was left of their homes, telling each other where they had taken shelter.

The earthquake early Tuesday triggered hundreds of fires, and many of them burned through the day and night. By today, the wind-whipped fires had burned out.

White smoke rose from the rubble and blackened debris, which extended for miles through the center of the city.

Throughout the city, leaking gas hissed from ruptured pipes, raising the threat of explosions.

Fleeing residents, many headed for shelter in the homes of family and friends, packed the main road out of Kobe. Some looked like war refugees as they picked past collapsed buildings and piles of rubble.

Makoto Hiroiyama was sending his wife, mother and child out of town to stay with relatives.

"It's dangerous here, and there's no water," he said. "It's no place for my elderly mother and my child."

The death toll from the quake, the worst to strike a Japanese city since 1923, climbed to 2,559 by evening. A teacher from Los Angeles, 24-year-old Voni Lynn Wong, was among the victims.

At least 14,363 were hurt. Nearly 1,000 people were still listed as missing, but hopes faded of finding more victims alive in the rubble.

In the quake zone, life in a high-tech country was suddenly reduced to the most basic and primitive level. Telephone service, power, gas and train service were still largely knocked out.

In Kobe, which had been a thriving, cos-

opolitan city of 1.4 million, people crouched around campfires and used water from ruptured pipes.

"It's like hell here," said Satoko Kawase, 26, who lives on the city's outskirts. "It's like World War II again."

Hundreds of aftershocks rattled the region. Many people were too terrified to sleep indoors and spent the night in the open, wrapped in blankets. More than 120,000 people sought shelter Tuesday night.

In Kobe's Suma district, 70,000 people were evacuated after gas leaked from cracked tanks in a nearby industrial area.

At shelters, people blinked in the sooty daylight, waiting for food. A few wandered through the rubble, poking at the smoking ruins of their former homes.

"I'm helpless. All I can do is sit around the fire like this and wait," said a middle-aged man resting at a shelter in an elementary school. "All I have now are water and blankets. But at least I'm alive."

Supplies were short, and only a few stores were open today.

"I've been waiting for more than an hour. I'm trying to get something to drink," one man told Japanese TV as he waited with hundreds of others outside a convenience store.

There were no reports of looting.

The government's rescue effort gathered momentum today, a full day after the quake. The military said 2,000 soldiers, including medics and engineers, had arrived in the quake zone. Nearly 50 aircraft, including three dozen helicopters, were ferrying supplies to survivors.

But criticism was growing over the slow start in helping the earthquake victims. "Quake Reveals Shortcoming Of Disaster Services," said a headline in the English-language *Japan Times*.

Kobe residents said lack of preparation compounded the disaster.

"My neighbors and I tried to fight the fire using well water, but it didn't do much," Ken Muroya, a 67-year-old community group leader, told the *Asahi* newspaper. "I wish Kobe city had been better prepared. It's very regrettable."

## Romantic saga 'Legends of the Fall' takes top spot in box office receipts

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The romantic saga *Legends of the Fall* edged out *Higher Learning* at the box office over the holiday week-end, earning \$14 million in its first week of nationwide release.

*Higher Learning*, John Singleton's tale of racial tension among college students, earned \$13.3 million in its debut. *Legends*, starring Brad Pitt, had been playing in limited release for three weeks.

Among other new films, *Tales*

from the Crypt Presents *Demon Knight* opened well but *Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog* did not.

*Nobody's Fool* was strong as it moved to more cities, and *Dumb and Dumber* closed in on the \$100 million mark.

Here are the top 10 movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters from Friday through Monday, followed by studio, gross, number of screens, receipts per location, total gross and number

of weeks in release, as compiled Tuesday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. from actual returns and studio estimates:

1. *Legends of the Fall*, TriStar, \$14 million, 2,005 locations, \$7,002 per location, \$15 million, four weeks.

2. *Higher Learning*, Columbia, \$13.3 million, 1,409 locations, \$9,423 per location, \$17 million, 1 1/2 weeks.

3. *Tales from the Crypt Presents Demon Knight*, Universal, \$10 mil-

lion, 1,729 locations, \$5,795 per location, \$10 million, one week.

4. *Dumb and Dumber*, New Line, \$9.5 million, 2,533 locations, \$3,742 per location, \$91 million, five weeks.

5. *Nobody's Fool*, Paramount, \$7.1 million, 792 locations, \$9,019 per location, \$7.7 million, four weeks.

6. *Houseguest*, Disney, \$6.4 million, 1,604 locations, \$3,975 per location, \$13.5 million, two weeks.

7. *Disclosure*, Warner Bros., \$5.6 million, 1,948 locations, \$2,899 per

location, \$69.5 million, six weeks.

8. *Little Women*, Columbia, \$4.6 million, 1,535 locations, \$3,005 per location, \$33.7 million, four weeks.

9. *Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle Book*, Disney, \$4.3 million, 1,796 locations, \$2,380 per location, \$33.2 million, four weeks.

10. *Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog*, 20th Century Fox, \$4.2 million, 1,217 locations, \$3,477 per location, \$4.2 million, one week.

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## Controversy heats up over ailing mother who smokes

**DEAR ABBY:** Your reply to "Smokeless in Arizona," who wanted to send her ailing mother out in the cold to smoke rather than contaminate her "dream house," was three rings short of a bull's eye.

Tell this lady that my heart bleeds for her. After all, why should she have to accommodate the woman who bore her, raised her, fed her, clothed her, comforted her when she was sick or sad, and probably went without so that her daughter could have the nice things in life?

"Smokeless" sounds like the kind of woman who would also object to children frolicking and laughing in her dream house, but on her precious carpets, from playful puppies, or a friend's coat tossed on a chair.

If this dream house doesn't have a vented bathroom and kitchen, then maybe her mother and sister's family would have a better time at one of their homes where people are more important than things.

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**DEAR PAUL:** Turn in your marksmanship medal. You missed the bull's eye. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** Regarding "Smokeless in Arizona," I, too, have a smokeless home, and guests are not permitted to smoke inside. My children are asthmatic, and so am I. Your suggestion that "Arizona's" frail, sickly mother get a nicotine



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the deadly consequences. Please be consistent.

S.G. MACAULAY,  
PACIFICA, CALIF.

**DEAR ABBY:** I went to a wedding shower last Sunday, and — are you ready for this? — a guest had brought her wedding album to the shower; as the bride-to-be, "Nancy," was opening her gifts, the entire groom's side of the family was occupied looking at the guest's pictures!

I understand the young woman who brought the album wanted everyone to see her wedding pictures, but don't you think this was the wrong time and place? At least she could have waited until the bride-to-be finished opening her gifts.

My heart really went out to Nancy. This was supposed to be her day, and the look on her face when she saw what was going on in the back of the room was heartbreaking.

Abby, where are people's manners? I know that several of the guests read your column, and I hope when they read this, they will realize how rude they were.

A CARING FRIEND,  
CHERRY HILL, N.J.

**DEAR FRIEND:** The people who were looking at the album during the wedding shower were rude. And the guest who brought it to the shower showed incredibly poor judgment.

patch was insufficient at best. What's the likelihood of an alcoholic, 90-pound woman with emphysema asking her doctor for a nicotine patch? I say, the odds are not good.

People ban smoking from their homes for legitimate health reasons. Why should they sacrifice their breathing in order to accommodate someone so selfish and addicted that she refuses to consider others?

I have an 87-year-old great-aunt in Florida whose only joy in life is smoking. I haven't seen her in ages. If she were to visit, I would not allow her to smoke in my house. I might compromise and let her smoke in the garage.

Abby, I thought you were behind the American Cancer Society. Your answer goes against all they have done to make smoking less desirable, and educate the public about

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Today you might have an unusually low resistance to salespeople. Do not allow anyone to pressure you into buying things you don't need.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Avoid a serious argument with your mate by backing off from volatile issues today. If you strongly disagree about a particular topic, steer clear of it.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You might have to contend with additional difficulties today. These problems will be the result of other people's ineptness or interference.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** An acquaintance of yours might have a bite today that's as bad as his/her bark. Try not to do anything to further antagonize this individual.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Do not be overly assertive today at home or at work. If you start bossing others around, you could create a nasty problem for yourself.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Subdue the impulse to overreact when others

express opposing viewpoints today. Keep in mind that everyone is entitled to his/her opinions.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Entrusting others to make financial commitments on your behalf could prove unwise today. You might end up paying for their mistakes.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** You will become frustrated today if you work with an individual who doesn't appreciate teamwork. If you see these signals, it would be best to go it alone.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** A bad attitude at work today could make distasteful assignments even harder. Do not let your bad mood get in the way of your goals.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Instead of making life a game today, you might take everything a shade too seriously. If you start looking for problems, you'll certainly find them.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Do not permit outsiders, especially in laws, to become involved in your domestic affairs today. Their input could truly muddy the waters.

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## Horoscope



### Your Birthday

Thursday, Jan. 19, 1995

Your ambitions have a good chance of being fulfilled in the year ahead, provided you carefully select your objectives. Do not waste time on unreachable goals.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Although you might want to level a few fiery comments at an annoying person today, it would be better to leave your ire unexpressed. Try to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.



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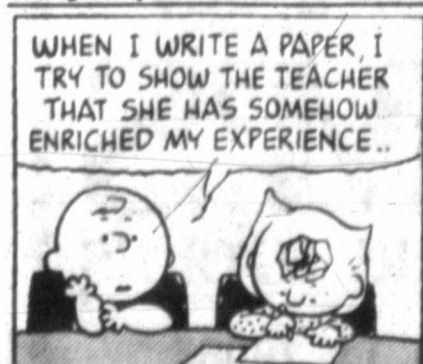
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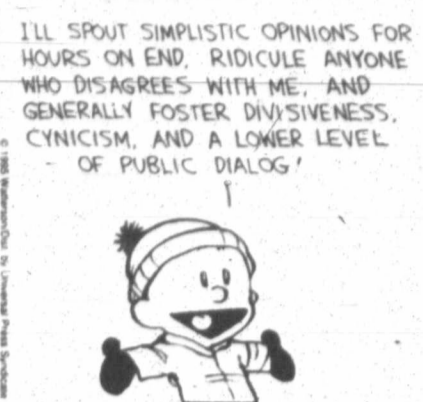
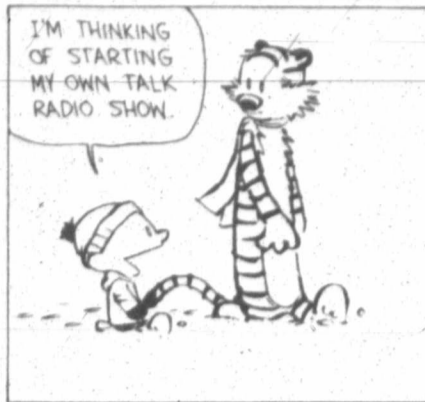
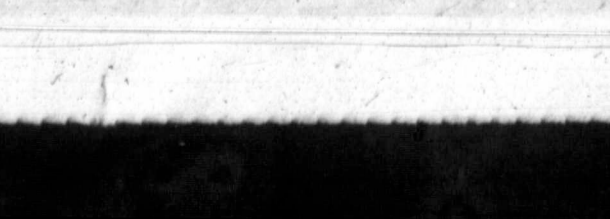
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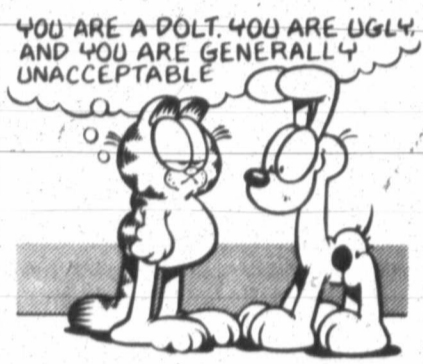
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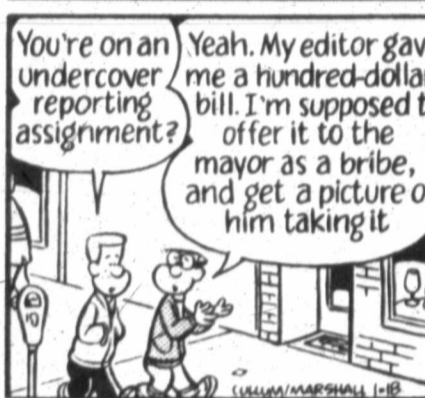
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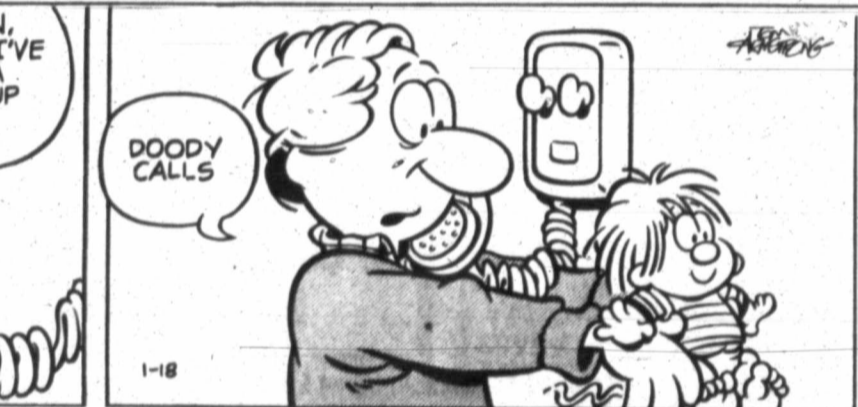
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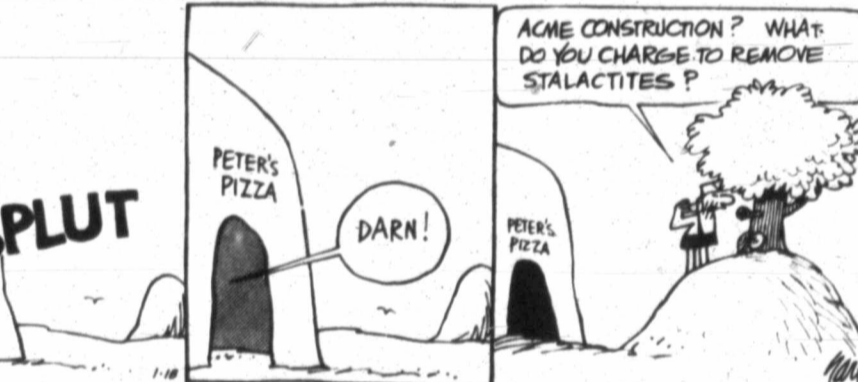
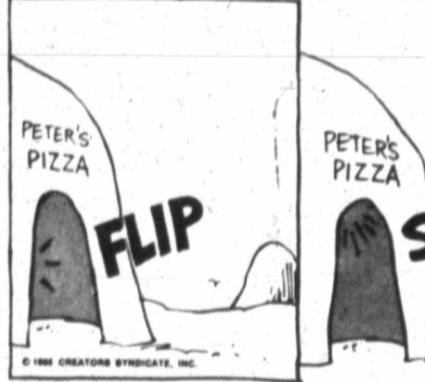
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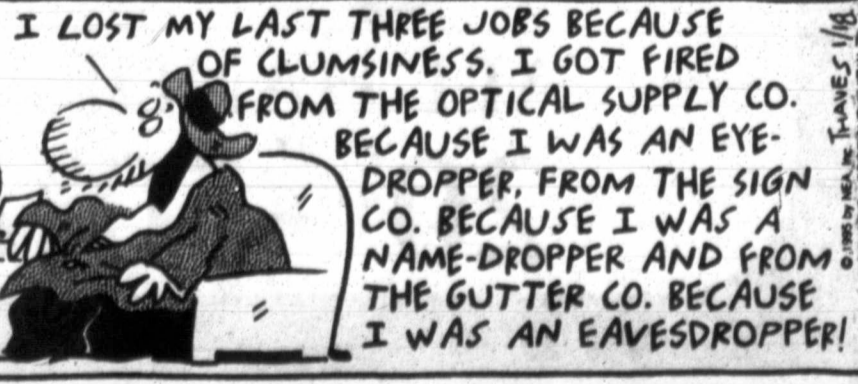
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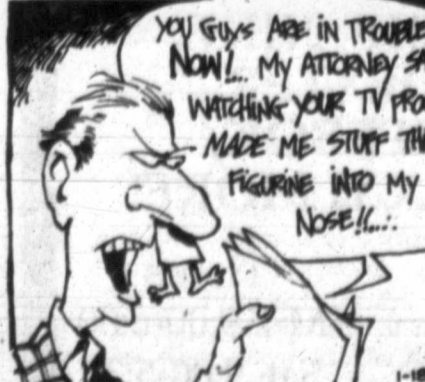
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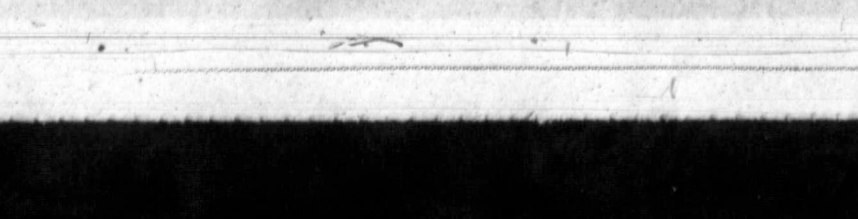
### The Born Loser



### Frank And Ernest



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Lifestyles

## Borger theatre presents the first play of season

Boomtown Community Dinner Theatre, 407 N. Main in Borger, will have its first play of the new year, *Butterflies Are Free*, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. *Butterflies Are Free* is a comedy by Leonard Garshe which tells the story of what happens when a blind boy gets his first apartment, an overprotective mother tries to stop him and a very frisky lady next door tries to help him. This all takes place in New York City during the 1960s. The young man, Don Baker, is played by Nathan Vickers. Vickers has worked with the theater group both on stage and behind the scenes. The neighbor, Jill Tanner, is played by Aubrey Cornelius, who has worked with the theater for several years. The mother, Mrs. Baker, is portrayed by Beverly

Cranfill, a housewife from Fritch who has been with the group for almost seven years, in both on and back stage roles. Performing as Ralph Austin, a friend of Tanner, is Phil Slaton, who also has worked with the theater in the past. Aubrey Cornelius and Phil Slaton are students at Borger High School. The play is directed by Sam Cornelius, a teacher in Borger who has been active with the theater group in acting and directing roles and in helping behind the scenes. Thursday's dinner performance includes a soup and salad bar meal. Friday's and Saturday's performances include a full meal. Food service opens at 6:30 p.m., with the play beginning at 7:30 p.m. For reservations and ticket information, call 274-7011 or 857-3436.

## Picking a pediatrician

By DR. PAULA PREZIOSO  
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For AP Special Features

Asking a few basic questions can help parents feel comfortable with their selection of a pediatrician. Meeting the pediatrician in his or her office before the child is born gives parents an opportunity to ask a few basic questions, including office hours and emergency care procedures. Many parents often ask basic advice from pediatricians. Knowing the hours when questions are taken and who generally answers them can be important. In most cases, the pediatrician answers questions, but some have nurse educators who provide general information. Some doctors also have regular call-in hours for basic questions. Asking about nighttime hours and what to do in an emergency or if your child is sick on a weekend is also important. Parents can expect the pediatrician to ask a few questions, including how they plan to feed their infant. A pediatrician may also want to know if there are any medical conditions that may affect the baby after birth. It is also important that parents feel a rapport with the pediatrician. Good sources of referrals for pediatricians include other parents,

the obstetrician or Lamaze class instructor. A pediatrician should be selected before the last month of pregnancy since women often give birth after 36 weeks. Parents may find it useful to know something about the pediatrician's background. They can check what hospitals he or she is affiliated with, and where he or she trained, went to medical school and did residency. A pediatrician should have completed a three-year residency and passed a certifying board given by the American Board of Pediatrics. Qualifications are important but are not the only factor in the selection process. Proximity may be a major consideration. Parents often feel more comfortable taking their infant to someone nearby, especially when the baby is sick. Parents often find themselves choosing between a group practice or a single pediatrician. In a group practice, parents can take their child to someone from the same office when the regular pediatrician is not available. However, most private pediatricians have a coverage group, so a doctor will be available if your pediatrician is away. All children in the same family should be seen by the same doctor. Often when one child is in the office, issues about the others can be discussed.

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## When your pet drives you crazy

By LADIES' HOME JOURNAL  
A Meredith Magazine  
For AP Special Features

Does your dog destroy the house when you're away? Does your cat forget to use the litter box? Sadly, owners of problem pets often give their animals away or have them destroyed. But there are better solutions to many common forms of misbehavior, suggests Ladies' Home Journal magazine. "First, call your local veterinarian to rule out any physical causes," says Nicholas Dodman, B.V.M.S., director of the behavior clinic at Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine, in North Grafton, Mass. If nothing is physically wrong, then ask your veterinarian if she can help you resolve the problem — or refer you to a vet who has a special interest in animal behavior. Here are some possible solutions to common behavior problems. You can discuss them with your vet or behavior specialist. Dog Problems: — Growling when owners go near its food or toys. This is potentially dangerous because it can lead to biting. Teach the dog simple one-word commands, such as "come" or "sit." Then make him obey the order every day before giving him the food or toy. — Destructive behavior when

alone. This is a classic sign of separation anxiety, says Lloyd Aguero, a pet-behavior consultant from Great Falls, Va. Don't make a big deal of leaving or coming home. When you leave, distract him with a toy or treat, then quietly slip out. On returning, don't greet or pet him until he has calmed down. Practice going out for increasingly longer intervals. — Barking. Continuous, monotonous barking can mean the dog is bored or unhappy over being confined in the house or yard. She may need more frequent interaction with the family. — Jumping on people. Dogs do this for attention. To stop the habit, stand still and don't react when she jumps. Cat Problems: — Refusal to use the litter box. The trouble may be the litter box itself. There should be one box for each cat in the house; keep them clean, and change the litter once a week or more. Try sand litter instead of clay. Spraying urine around the house, especially in a neutered cat, can signal anxiety or fear, and a behaviorist may recommend short-term use of a tranquilizer. — Playfully "attacking" people. This aggressive play usually diminishes in adulthood. Divert the cat's attention by throwing a ball, or a toy on a string, in the opposite direction.

## Working for a Native American war memorial

By CARL HILLIARD  
Associated Press Writer

DENVER (AP) — Lynn Burnette is a proud, angry Rosebud Sioux who believes there should be a monument to the American Indians who died serving a nation that didn't recognize them as full citizens until 1924. He envisions a \$24 million National Native American War Memorial on 1,200 acres in the foothills of the Wind River Mountains near his Lander, Wyo., home. Burnette already has started work on it. He has sculpted a young warrior, wearing fatigue pants and combat boots with World War I spats protecting them. A web belt with brass buckle circles his waist. The warrior carries a pre-World War II Springfield rifle in his right hand. A single eagle feather adorns his braided hair.

His warrior figure would be at the center of a 5-acre "medicine wheel" encircled by more than 300 bronze war shields representing tribes within the United States, Canada and Alaska, with the names of the fallen veterans. The attire symbolically depicts the wars and military conflicts of the 20th century. The warrior's stance symbolizes his way of life

and tradition, stepping into a world from which he will not return. The Legend of the Messenger Horse also is told.

Behind the warrior facing away from the wind is a horse with a single, bloody handprint on its hip. The legend is that five Sioux warriors ventured from their village into enemy land and were ambushed. Four died immediately but the fifth placed his hand into his wound and put the bloody print on the horse.

"There wasn't a word about Native Americans. Well, there were lots of us who died, but there isn't a single memorial to us." — Lynn Burnette

The messenger horse then was sent back to the village to tell tribal members the five had died in battle. The story now goes that the Messenger Horse escorts fallen warriors to the spirit world.

Burnette, 50, an Army veteran and a former rodeo competitor who now sculpts, told delegates to the National Congress of American Indians he got the idea for a war memorial complex after hearing a radio broadcast in Utah. The broadcast that crackled and

faded on his pickup truck radio was paying tribute to Hispanic, black and white soldiers who died in Vietnam.

"There wasn't a word about Native Americans," he said. "Well, there were lots of us who died, but there isn't a single memorial to us." The complex would include a center and museum, a school of American Indian arts, and music and student housing nearby. Other features would be a parade ground,

amphitheater, equestrian facility, vendor's marketplace, campground, picnic pavilions, walkways, trails and parking.

Burnette is raising money to buy the land and establish the foundation that would oversee the project. He estimates those costs to be \$580,000.

The project's second phase — the start of construction, landscaping and the casting and placement of 10-foot-high sculptures — would cost \$9.6 million. The final

phase — schools, housing visitor center, museum and horse arenas — would cost about \$13.5 million, Burnette said.

"The federal government won't be asked for a dime," he said. "I want it to come from private contributions. It's going slow. But it will happen."

Burnette said that at the beginning of World War I, hundreds of American Indian men crossed the border into Canada to join military units leaving for the European front. Once America joined the war effort, thousands more enlisted in the U.S. armed forces. Still others supported clothing drives and bought war bonds. Because American Indians weren't granted full citizenship until 1924, the war effort support surprised many Americans, he said.

During World War II, nearly one-third of all eligible American Indian men enlisted in the armed forces. Totalling more than 25,000, they constituted a larger proportion of people serving their country, relative to the size of their population, than any other group, Burnette said.

He said the high enlistment rate of American Indians continued throughout the Korean and Vietnam wars and the Desert Storm conflict.

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Food

# No stewing over stew

By NANCY BYAL, Food Editor  
For AP Special Features

This hearty, weeknight stew cuts cooking time as well as food costs. The key: substituting meatballs for more expensive, long-cooking stew meat. The addition of different vegetables, in this case sweet potatoes and parsnips, takes this stew one step further than Mom's recipe. If you have any leftover stew, cool it to room temperature, then store it in a covered container for up to two days.

**Meatball Stew with Winter Vegetables**

- 2 medium potatoes (unpeeled), cut into 1-inch pieces
- 2 medium carrots, peeled and cut into 3/4-inch pieces
- 1 large onion, cut into wedges
- 2 tablespoons instant beef bouillon granules
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 1/2 teaspoons dried thyme or oregano, crushed
- 1 teaspoon dried rosemary or basil, crushed
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 recipe Seasoned Meatballs (see recipe, below)
- 2 medium sweet potatoes or yams, peeled and cut into 1-inch pieces (about 3 cups)
- 2 medium parsnips, peeled and cut into 3/4-inch pieces
- 1 cup frozen peas

1-3rd cup all-purpose flour  
In a Dutch oven bring 4 1/2 cups water to boiling. Add potatoes, carrots, onion, bouillon granules, bay leaf, thyme or oregano, rosemary or basil and pepper. Return to boiling; reduce heat. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, prepare Seasoned Meatballs. Add sweet potatoes and parsnips to the hot broth mixture. Add uncooked meatballs, a few at a time, to the hot broth mixture. Return to boiling; reduce heat. Cover and simmer about 15 minutes more or until vegetables are tender and meatballs are fully cooked. Stir in frozen peas. Stir together 1/2 cup cold water and the flour. Stir flour mixture into hot broth mixture. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir for 1 minute more. Ladle into soup bowls and serve. Makes 6 main-dish servings.

**Seasoned Meatballs:** In a medium mixing bowl combine 1 beaten egg, 1/2 cup fine dry bread crumbs, 1 teaspoon minced dried onion, 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce, 1/4 teaspoon garlic salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper. Add 1 pound lean ground beef; mix well. Shape into thirty 1-inch-thick balls.

**Nutrition facts per serving:** 388 cal., 9 g fat, 83 mg chol., 22 g pro., 56 g carbo., 3 g fiber, 1,111 mg sodium. Daily values: 11 percent calcium, 25 percent iron, 231 percent vit. A, 57 percent vit. C, 31 percent thiamine, 31 percent riboflavin, 36 percent niacin.

# Start with cereal muffins

You don't have to choose between muffins and cereal for breakfast because these scrumptious muffins give you both. This recipe makes a bunch, so freeze as many muffins as you like and reheat them in the microwave oven.

**Carrot 'n' Spice Bran Muffins**

- 2 cups whole bran cereal
- 1 1/4 cups milk
- 1-3rd cup cooking oil
- 2 beaten eggs
- 1 1/2 cups shredded carrot
- 1/2 cup coconut
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar

- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

In a large mixing bowl combine cereal, milk, oil and eggs. Let stand for 10 minutes. Stir in carrot, coconut and raisins.

In another bowl stir together flour, brown sugar, white sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, baking soda and salt. Add cereal mixture to flour mixture. Stir just until combined.

Grease muffin cups or line with paper bake cups; fill each 2-3rds full. Bake in a 375-degree F oven for 15 to 20 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Serve warm. Makes 18 muffins.

# Timesaving tools for easier cooking

By NANCY BYAL, Food Editor  
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine  
For AP Special Features

A sharp paring knife will take you far, but for some cooking tasks, tools made especially for the job can save you time and frustration. This list of kitchen gadgets spotlights the ones we think are handiest to have. If you can't find these utensils in the supermarket cookware section, check out a gourmet cookware shop.

**Shrimp Cleaner:** Bearing some resemblance to a letter opener, this gadget peels and deveins shrimp with one quick motion. Starting from the head end of the shrimp, insert the narrow tip of the tool between the shell and meat. Push the whole blade through the vein cavity. The shell pops off and the shrimp is deveined.

**Butter Curler:** Jazz up rolls and bread with elegant butter curls. For showy curls, draw the scalloped, hooked end of the butter curler down the long side of a slightly softened stick of butter or margarine.

**Citrus Zester-Stripper:** This handy citrus gizmo does double duty. For thin strips of citrus peel (called zest) pull the scalloped edge, with multiple holes, along the fruit. For thick citrus strips, run the single-holed, curved blade along the fruit.

**Apple Corer:** After coring apples and pears with a knife, you'll welcome a sturdy, easy-to-use corer. Center the round, scalloped end of the corer over the fruit's core and push the tool into the fruit. Twist to loosen the whole core, then pull the core and corer out.

**Tomato-Berry Corer:** Snatch the cores from tomatoes or the green caps from strawberries by inserting the spiked end of the small, round, saw-toothed tomato corer into the tomato core, or just below each strawberry cap, then twist.

**Cherry-Olive Pitter:** For cherry and olive enthusiasts, this tool is a must. Pop a cherry or olive (pit in) into the little cup, squeeze the handles and the pit falls out of the hole in the cup, leaving a perfectly pitted cherry or olive.

**Garlic Press:** Mince garlic the effortless way. Garlic presses come in a variety of styles, metal and plastic. Choose one that's easy to clean.

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# Climb on board the vegetarian chili express

By The Associated Press

a fast and delicious dinner.

**Vegetarian Express Chili**  
3/4 cup (1 1/2 ounces) dried tomato halves, snipped into 1/4-inch pieces with kitchen shears

1 tablespoon ground cumin  
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper, or to taste

Salt, to taste  
In a 3-quart saucepan, combine all ingredients. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Serve with shredded Cheddar cheese or sliced green onions, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

This recipe calls for a handful of staple ingredients that take just minutes to cook on the stovetop. The shortcut is using canned cooked beans and combining prepared spaghetti sauce with dried tomato halves. Serve with corn bread muffins and a mixed greens salad for

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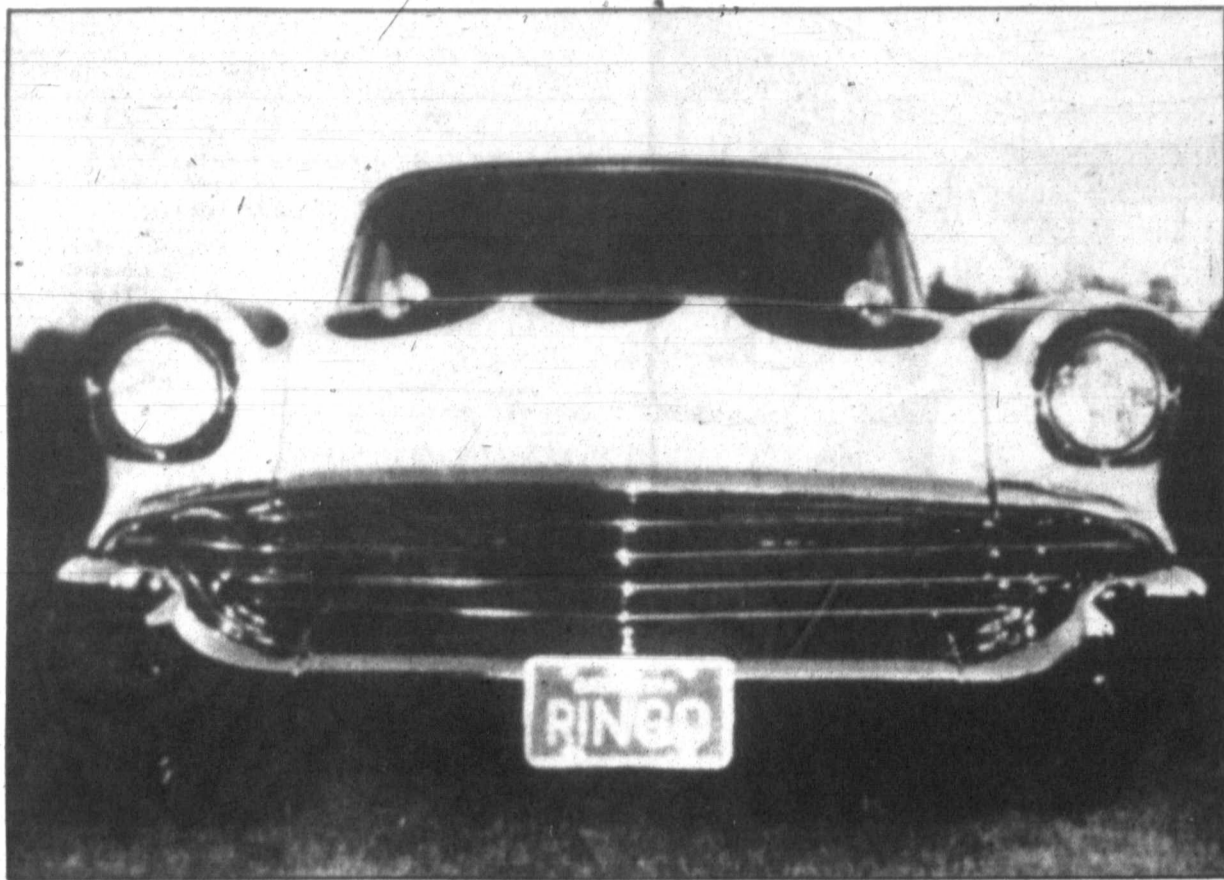








### Ringo's car at auction



(AP photo/Guernsey's)

A 1957 custom Chevrolet Bel-Air formerly owned by Beatles drummer Ringo Starr, shown above, will be among rock and roll memorabilia items scheduled to be sold by New York auction house Guernsey's as part of an auction on Thursday. A spokesman for Guernsey's said the car is expected to fetch as much as \$50,000.

### Mexico sells bonds at key auction

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico's battered economy survived a key test on Tuesday when investors bought all \$400 million in bonds offered by the government.

The sale indicated that President Clinton's proposal of a U.S. loan guarantee for Mexico has bolstered confidence in the country as it grapples with a 33 percent devaluation of the peso in the past month.

The good news briefly boosted the peso and the stock market, although trading was volatile. The rate at which banks trade the peso went from 5.55 pesos to the dollar to 5.25 to 5.45 — all by lunchtime.

"Perhaps it's too early to ring the bells, but it is a good sign," said Francisco Blanco, director of analysis for the ARKA brokerage in Mexico City. He said it showed foreign investors are "a little more ready to participate in the market."

At a similar auction last week, investors bought only \$63 million of the \$400 million in dollar-denominated bonds known as tesobonos, a disappointing show that contributed to a 12.5 percent two-day drop in the stock market.

Mexico's sudden economic slide led the Clinton administration last week to propose a \$40 billion loan guarantee program to assure businessmen that investing in Mexico was safe.

Tuesday's bond sale will help Mexico meet other debt payments without dipping further into foreign reserves, which had fallen to about \$5.15 billion early this month from \$24 billion in March as the government tried to support the peso.

The government is paying a stiff price: annual dollar interest rates of 19.74 to 19.75 on the bonds, depending on their due date. Peso-denominated treasury bonds, known as

Cetes, sold at a 40 percent interest rate last week.

Before the crisis, the tesobono rate was in the range of 9-10 percent.

This month, Mexico had \$3.6 billion worth of tesobonos falling due, including \$912 million Tuesday.

The stock market index, which opened at 2243 points, rose to 2270 after the news of the bond sale, before quickly falling back to 2230 shortly after 1 p.m.

Blanco attributed the wobble to profit-taking by investors who had seen the market climb back from a low of roughly 1850 a week ago. "That is a pretty strong recovery," he said.

The peso fell by as much as 40 percent against the dollar between Dec. 20 and early January, shaking the confidence of investors and forcing the government to enact tough austerity measures. It has since recovered some of that lost value.

### Bullock: Legislature can save a generation

AUSTIN (AP) — Democratic war-horse Bob Bullock was sworn in for a second term as lieutenant governor Tuesday and vowed to battle side-by-side with new Republican Gov. George W. Bush to reform state government.

"I pledge to you and to the Legislature and to the people of Texas that I will give every bit of energy, every bit of expertise that I have in working ... with you for a better Texas," Bullock told Bush and House Speaker Pete Laney.

Bullock, who began his political career in 1957 as a state representa-

tive, cited the same basic reform priorities as Bush, who has never before held elected office: education, criminal justice, welfare and the system under which civil lawsuits are filed.

Changes can be accomplished by leaders and lawmakers who put aside partisan rhetoric and work "with no agenda but a Texas agenda of what's best for Texas," Bullock said.

He voiced particular concern for young Texans, recalling a police officer who said he'd all but given up on a generation of youngsters because of juvenile crime problems.

"I will not give up on a generation of young Texans, and neither should you," Bullock said.

He cited accomplishments during his first four years as lieutenant governor, the state's second-highest official and leader of the Senate.

Texas' criminal laws were overhauled; prisons were built; spending was increased on public schools, which are held accountable for student performance; and court challenges to the state's mental health and mental retardation services, and its criminal justice system, were resolved.

### Justices hear attack on affirmative action

WASHINGTON (AP) — Special federal help for companies owned by minorities unlawfully steals business from white-owned companies, the Supreme Court was told Tuesday in a key showdown on affirmative action.

But the Clinton administration's top-ranked courtroom lawyer defended the 13-year-old program, saying it's needed to fight "continuing effects of well-documented discrimination."

The potential stakes are enormous. The court's ruling, expected by July, could affect billions of dollars worth of federal contracts. Perhaps at stake also is the future of all government affirmative action, some of it aimed at making up for past societal bias against women.

The court hasn't handled a major affirmative-action dispute since 1990, and its membership today is far more conservative. Serving as a backdrop are the 1994 election results, a rightward turn many commentators attribute to the festering anger of one group of voters — white males.

"That's an impermissible racial stereotype ... that they (racial and ethnic minorities) need the help," Denver lawyer William Perry Pendley argued in behalf of a white businessman challenging the affirmative-action program. He said his client "cannot compete on an equal footing" because of it.

Under one of the many affirmative-action programs required by Congress, the Transportation Department's Central Federal Lands Highway Division gives contractors on federal projects a 1.5 percent bonus if at least 10 percent of their subcontracts go to "disadvantaged business enterprises."

A \$10,000 bonus was paid to Mountain Gravel and Construction Co. for a 1989 highway-building project in

the San Juan National Forest in Colorado.

Mountain Gravel subcontracted all the project's guardrail work to Gonzales Construction Co. even though another company, Adarand Constructors Inc. of Colorado Springs, submitted a lower bid.

The program has a built-in presumption that minority-owned companies are disadvantaged.

Gonzales Construction is Hispanic-owned and fits the Small Business Act's definition of a disadvantaged business. Adarand, run by Randy Pech, a white man, does not.

Pendley said Pech's company bids on every guardrail contract in Colorado, but in the past has lost 12 such contracts to higher-bidding minority-owned companies.

He said the problems faced by minority-owned firms have little to do with race, but more to do with their size. Such problems are shared by small, white-owned businesses such as Adarand, Pendley argued, adding, "race-neutral solutions are called for."

Solicitor General Drew S. Days III countered by saying the focus of the affirmative-action program is social and economic disadvantage, not race. A minority company can lose its status as a disadvantaged business by reaching "a level of economic take-off," he said.

"There's no showing that Adarand lost this contract because of the rebuttable presumption," Days said.

Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg, David H. Souter and Stephen G. Breyer, all of whom have joined the court since its last major affirmative-action ruling, appeared most sympathetic to Days' contention that Adarand had not linked its lost contract to the racial presumption.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices Antonin Scalia and Anthony M. Kennedy appeared most hostile to Days' arguments.

### Deposed king to take throne

MASERU, Lesotho (AP) — King Moshoeshoe II, deposed five years ago by this African country's military rulers, will be restored to the throne Jan. 25.

The reinstatement will take place after the abdication of King Letsie III, Moshoeshoe's son, state-run Radio Lesotho said Tuesday. Letsie has held the throne since his father was overthrown, but wanted to return it.

The military-dominated politics of this country of 1.8 million people, entirely surrounded by South Africa, has been marked by rivalry between the royal house and the elected government.

King Letsie tried to depose the government in August, but pressure from South Africa, Zimbabwe and Botswana, forced him to compromise.

Letsie agreed to recognize the government, and the prime minister agreed to amnesty for the king's supporters and Moshoeshoe's reinstatement.

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Dear Dad,

This open birthday card is written with all the love we have for you. It is a way that we can share with you and all the world, just how proud and thankful we are for you, our Father.

Dad, thanks for giving us a positive outlook on life. We see you grasping for air and the pain you endure just walking. Instead of complaining you "count it all joy."

Thank you Dad for giving us what honesty really means. It was but a few years ago that as young boys we came home from our paper routes with our bags full of cherries that we had stolen from our neighbor's cherry tree. It was a bitter pill to swallow to take those cherries back.

Thank you Dad for teaching us hard work. We remember so well the long hard days you worked. It was a cold December day that we loaded frozen bananas. We did not realize how hard this was on you. The easy way would have been to walk but that's not your character. When the going gets tough, the tough get going.

Thank you Dad, you taught us the value of a dollar, but more important, that life is more than the all mighty dollar. We remember spading up our yard (we didn't have a rototiller at that time). It took us most of the summer. When we got paid you reminded us that part of our payment was the Lords.

Thank you for teaching us understanding and compassion. Dad, this had to stretch your understanding and compassion to the limit. There it was, just after World War II and new cars were hard to come by. But by your hard work you were able to bring home a new car! - only to see us take it out and wreck it.

Thank you Dad for family! Dad, it takes someone real special to be there when needed. You are very good in walking that fine line, knowing when to give a helping hand or a slap on the fanny.

In raising three boys into manhood Dad, it took everything you had. I know that you called upon the Lord more than once. And this Dad, is the most cherished and precious gift that you gave each one of us. You and Mother gave us a Christian heritage.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

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