

City commissioners plan to keep taxes what they are now

By JEFF LANGLEY
Staff Writer

Despite a request from city management to raise taxes and fees for city services, Pampa City Commissioners Monday said the "goal" for next year's budget will be no increases.

Still, the preliminary city budget will be filed to include the tax and fee hikes, and commissioners must amend the document later in order to kill the proposed increases.

City Manager Mack Wofford asked for seven percent increases in city property taxes and charges for water, sewer and sanitation fees.

The additional cost to taxpayers is needed to fund a growing city budget.

The preliminary budget for the next fiscal year, which begins October 1st, stands at \$6.9 million, up from this year's budget of \$6.4 million.

The budget increase includes a raise for city employees next year of 7.5 percent.

Also revealed in the proposed spending plan are three city departments with budgets of about \$1 million each.

The proposal of expenses and capital outlay puts the Pampa Police Department budget at \$1,021,492; the Pampa Fire Department budget at \$937,604; and the Street Department budget at \$936,835.

Wofford said the majority of the budget funds, or \$3.9 million, pay city employees' salaries and benefits.

The city manager said the city employs about 200 people. His figures reveal the city pays a yearly average of \$19,500 for the salaries and benefits of each city employee.

Following their third public budget study Monday, commissioners instructed Wofford to file the \$6.9 million budget with the city secretary.

They instructed Wofford to make enough cuts in that preliminary budget later to prevent any tax or service increase.

Commissioner O.M. Prigmore said the preliminary budget to be filed Wednesday is "at the upper level."

"That's my job — to take directions and find a way to do it," Wofford said about instructions to cut the budget.

Commissioners asked Wofford to prepare two future budget drafts: one which includes no increases, and one "somewhere in between," which would include increases smaller than the seven percent requested by city management.

"Why don't you put those in the mail to us?" commissioners asked about requested budget changes.

"I will put them in the mail to you as things develop," Wofford said.

It is unknown if the public will be granted access to the revised budgets, set to be privately mailed to commissioners.

Wofford said he will refuse to provide copies of the mailed budget numbers to this reporter, unless he is instructed to do so by City Attorney Don Lane.

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One last look



The skyline of Pampa is constantly changing, and residents are taking a last look at a landmark before it falls to the wrecker. Demolition has been underway since July 4 on the old Highland General Hospital, and the crane and wrecking ball have become a familiar sight. In its place will be Pampa's third banking institution this fall. (Staff photo by Bruce Lee Smith)

Nat Lunsford retires as JP after 20 years of service to Gray Co.

By JEFF LANGLEY
Staff Writer

Gray County Commissioners accepted the resignation of long-time Pampa Justice of the Peace G.L. "Nat" Lunsford during their regular meeting Monday.

Lunsford has been a JP here for the past 20 years. The 76-year-old "institution" at the courthouse called it quits due to poor health, according to his resignation letter to commissioners.

Prior to his election as a JP, Lunsford served as a Gray County Commissioner.

All told, he had 28 years employment with the county.

Lunsford said he must quit "due to numerous physical problems I have had."

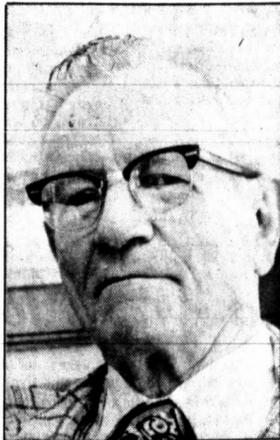
His resignation becomes effective August 31st.

A plan to change to an automated system of counting ballots in Gray County was revealed during Monday's session.

Commissioners are considering several systems of counting voter's ballots by machine. The computer system checked out Monday reads ballots marked with a pencil. Kennedy said the county should choose a system in time for the November election.

In other action Monday, commissioners received an official plea to turn in precinct budgets from Judge Carl Kennedy.

Unlike other entities, the county



Nat Lunsford

operates on a calendar, rather than fiscal year.

The new year for the county budget begins January 1, and Kennedy said he hopes commissioners will turn in their budgets by the end of this month.

The judge said as chief county budget officer he needs time to study the four individual county precinct budgets in order to have a county spending plan

prepared for the new year.

Individual commissioners submit a budget for each precinct for maintenance of roads and the county right of way.

The county budget this year was \$3,802,000.

The county tax rate is 27.37 cents per \$100 valuation.

In an unusual situation, commissioners voted to advertise bids for drilling rights on land the county owns in Gaines County.

Kennedy explained that long ago the state donated lands from around the state to counties for supporting schools. The donated lands are called School Lands, and the judge pointed out Rockwall County owns some property inside Gray County.

Kennedy said money the counties' earn from the School Lands must be distributed to county schools.

He said the sale of the drilling rights on the land in Gaines County should bring in about \$27,000 to local schools.

Commissioners Monday also adopted a resolution to state highway commissioners designed to thank them for past highway funds and asking them to keep the money coming.

Kennedy said several officials in the Panhandle are joining in the resolution of reminding the people in Austin how important highways are to the Panhandle.

Storm window swindler left behind a trail of unhappiness

By TOM ALLSTON
State Editor

The "contractor" who left a Pampa woman short of both \$2500 and her promised storm windows apparently has left a trail of undelivered work, unpaid bills and unpayable checks across several eastern Panhandle towns, The Pampa News has learned.

A motel, a restaurant, several workers and at least one more home repair customer are among those left unpaid by the man.

"I argued and argued with him about paying in advance. I'd never done that before," said a 74-year-old Pampa widow who contracted with the man for work on a rent house. "But he was a slick talker."

The woman paid nearly \$3,500 for work to a rent house, some of which was actually completed. But "he owes me nearly \$700," she told the News, for roofing and weatherproofing work that was never finished.

Work was also done on a home in Wheeler, and for this job the "contractor" hired four workers from Skellytown, according to one of the workers.

"I worked for him a little over a month, and he owes me over \$1,000," the man said. Two friends, he said, were owed \$850 and \$900, and his wife another \$850, for work they did for the man.

"Then he left, owing us." Previous jobs completed, apparently satisfactorily, were the man's entree to more contracts in the Pampa area.

"There were two houses he's done work on — outside insulation and siding," the woman whose roofing work was never done told the News. "I called one of them, and they said, 'Oh, don't worry about him; he's honest.'"

In addition, a source in Wheeler said, a previous customer from Tulia called and vouched for the man.

"He did the insulation and siding on my rent house," the Pampa woman said, "but then I called him to get going on the roof work, and he said it was too wet."

The man brought some sealer to her house to use on the roof, she said, but a local roofer told her later the sealer was too weak to do the job, and there wasn't enough of it.

"Anyway, it's still sitting in my kitchen."

The man also stayed at a Wheeler motel, which he paid with a check that was not honored by the bank. The motel

has filed charges for recovery with the district attorney's office.

In addition, the man made arrangements with a restaurant there for himself and his workers to eat, and left the bill unpaid when he left the area. The restaurant manager told the News that the unpaid bill was not filed on because the amount was not enough to justify court costs in recovery. "but I wish there was more that could be done about people like that."

Smooth talk, promises and some references appear to have been the man's method in getting contracts that later wound up uncompleted.

"I hate to say it," said the woman whose work was partly completed, "but

The Skellytown man said the man's ex-wife works for a store in Pampa, and said he had asked her the man's whereabouts.

"I think she knows where he is; she won't say anything," he told the News.

Previously, a 69-year-old widow in Pampa had contracted with the man for storm windows for her house. The \$2,500 storm window installation was never done, as the man had reason after reason for the delay: the subcontractor had lost the windows, they'd come in and were the wrong size, etc.

A source in the district attorney's office told the News he believes warrants have been issued for the

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he's a big storyteller. He told me he lived in a big house that even had servants' quarters," but one of the man's workers told her "Big house — hah! He lived in a little trailer house."

The Skellytown man said he had attempted to locate the man after he left Pampa, looking in Amarillo and elsewhere, but found no trace — although he did spot the man's pickup truck in Pampa.

"He wasn't driving it... a guy who worked for him was," he said. "But by the time I got turned around, he was gone."

man's arrest in connection with the complaints; this could not be verified this morning with the sheriff's office, as the sheriff could not be reached.

The Skellytown man also said he had made a complaint to the Labor Board, but "they can't do anything unless I can tell them where he is."

And that's what a lot of Panhandle people — including the workers, motel, restaurant, district attorney's office, and the Pampa women who have yet to see their storm windows and roofing work — would like very much to know.

One worker killed in White Deer accident

By DAVID CHRISTENSON
Staff Writer

WHITE DEER — Billie Joe Lesley Jr., 27, of Rio Vista, Texas, died at about 10 a.m. this morning from injuries he suffered in a construction accident near White Deer.

Lesley suffered severe internal injuries this morning when a load of plastic pipe fell on him from a semi-trailer truck he had been driving.

The accident occurred at Getty Oil Site No. 1, one mile south of White Deer, where Lesley drove one of three trucks delivering the pipe.

Lesley was readying one of the three truckloads of the pipe for unloading from the truck at about 8 a.m. when the accident occurred, according to a spokesman for K & K Contractors, Inc. of White Deer.

The pipe fell off the truck onto Lesley, who apparently believed it was still secured on the truck.

The pipe was to be stockpiled at the Getty booster station, near the White Deer Cemetery, for future use in oilfield construction, according to the K & K spokesman.

Ambulances from the

Skellytown Fire Department and the new Pampa Municipal Ambulance Service were called to the accident at about 8:30 a.m. today by the White Deer dispatcher.

Another trucker, also working the delivery, accompanied Lesley to the hospital.

Lesley was taken to the Coronado Community Hospital emergency room and treated for his injuries, but he died about an hour and a half after his arrival.

Hospital personnel said Lesley was in critical condition upon his arrival there.

Lesley was listed as a driver for Frank Brothers Trucking Company in Hillsboro, Texas, but was delivering for Gifford - Hill Trucking Company of Lubbock, according to the White Deer construction firm.

He was delivering twelve-inch plastic pipe for use in gathering systems.

The pipe was being delivered from Lubbock for K & K of White Deer.

Hospital officials listed his last known address as Rio Vista, Texas, but said he may have lived in the area for a short time.

Lawsuits proceed as the flood waters recede

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — As the cleanup from weekend flooding continued, a group of businessmen and residents filed a \$22.5 million suit claiming that the developer of a man-made lake was responsible for the disaster.

The suit, filed Monday in district court, claims the Paramount Development Corp. had given assurances that Lake Lawrence would not overflow and that the land surrounding the lake was safe for development.

A mile-square area in the southwest section of this Panhandle city was flooded when nearly 4 1/2 inches of rain fell Thursday and Friday, causing the lake to overflow.

Some of the 245 lakefront residents, mostly nursing home patients who were evacuated by National Guardsmen, returned home Monday, City Manager John Stiff said.

He said the level of Lake Lawrence receded enough to permit some residents to return, although he didn't know how many.

"This is the first day the water has really been down enough for them to go back in," Stiff said. "The water is

being pumped out, and every day it gets lower."

He said that 17 apartment buildings, 81 homes and 71 businesses were caught when the heavy rains pushed the lake into a 13-by-16-block area around a shopping center.

City officials have no damage estimate as yet from the flooding, Stiff said, although police had earlier feared that costs could exceed the \$21 million in flood damage last Labor Day.

Stiff predicted all residents of the stricken area would be able to return to their dwellings by Sunday.

The law suit seeks \$20 million in punitive damages, \$1 million for violation of a warranty that the area was suitable for development, and \$1.5 million in actual damages. It also asks that Paramount be ordered to take action to prevent further flooding.

Paramount president George Kenneth McNabb Jr. declined to comment on the suit. Lawyers said the suit could be expanded to include the city of Am. illo and other property developers.

The president of a merchants association at the

Paramount development said the group will meet Thursday afternoon to consider joining the suit.

"We simply made the mistake of being too patient, too polite and too nice with the city and the development company," said Jess Ghormley, president of the Paramount Merchants Association.

The suit was filed by Village Cadillac, Feterman's Clothing, Broome Optical, Gladys Breedlove, N.S. Griggs Inc., funeral directors Jim and Bettye Griggs, Olsen Manor Nursing Home, Bill Graham, and Jimmy Wayne Ogg, owner of Tascosa Gulf Station.

Lake Lawrence has dropped about eight inches since Friday night and is within 4 feet 4 inches of being contained within its banks, said Mike Kennedy, assistant director of the city Public Works Division.

Two high-capacity pumps, one owned by the city and another by a real estate development company, were spewing 10 million gallons of floodwaters into city storm sewers daily, officials said.

Police and National Guardsmen patrolling the lakefront

against looting reported no incidents Monday. Five people were arrested over the weekend on varying charges after trying to enter the restricted area, according to Police Lt. Wayne Johnston.

Three burglaries were reported during the same time period. Police said all occurred at one apartment complex, and the amount of loss was undetermined.

Johnston said other residents probably will report more burglaries when they are allowed to return home.

Kennedy said flooded streets around the lake could be emptied in a week with no rain and "steady pumping."

The approximately 245 people who at the height of the flooding were evacuated from nursing homes, apartments and houses sought shelter at the American Red Cross, in churches, high schools and at a community center, Johnson said.

Several leaking natural gas meters were discovered Sunday in the flooded area, and utility company workers were checking all meters on the lakefront, he said.

daily record

services tomorrow

No services for Wednesday were reported to The Pampa News.

obituaries

MARY BELL MIXON

Mary Bell Mixon, 97, of Fritch, died at 9:10 a.m. today at a local doctor's clinic.

Services are pending with Carmichael - Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Mixon was born Sept. 8, 1884 in Burns City. She lived in Mobeetie from 1927 to 1973, and in Fritch since 1975. She was a member of Mobeetie Baptist Church.

Her husband, John L. Mixon, died in 1943.

Survivors include: two sons, J. M. Mixon of Fritch and Jess Mixon of Amarillo; four daughters, Mrs. Naomi Allen of Mobeetie, Mrs. Irene Webb of Pampa, Mrs. Cynthia Worthington and Mrs. Fannie Jo Gales, both of Burkburnett; a sister, Mrs. Purl Palley of Tishomingo, Okla.; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

M.L. (JACK) ROBINSON

M.L. (Jack) Robinson, 60, of 508 S. Gillespie, died Monday at his home.

Services are pending with Carmichael - Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Robinson was a retired welder for Skelly Oil Company.

Survivors include: a son, Marvin K. Robinson of Amarillo; a daughter, Mrs. Mary Jo Long of Tucson, Ariz.; three sisters, Mrs. Beulah Knerim of Colorado, Mrs. Wilma Smith of California and Miss Ola Robinson of Amarillo; two brothers, Dean Robinson of Hereford and Billy Robinson of Wichita Falls; and five grandchildren.

police report

Officers of the Pampa Police Department responded to 35 calls in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Lance, Inc., P.O. Box 32368, reported theft from a coin-operated machine at Coronado Inn, 1101 N. Hobart, estimated value of loss \$25.

Lonnie Kirklin, 204 S. Nelson, reported theft of auto parts, estimated loss \$80.

Terry Eugene Gann, 902 S. Banks, reported criminal mischief, estimated damage \$250.

minor accidents

MONDAY, July 2
3:15 p.m. — A 1973 Ford driven by Dwain Ervin Mason, 913 E. Murphy, collided with at 1981 Chevrolet driven by Reed Allen Hill, Route 1, Twitty, in the 100 block of South Cuyler. Mason was cited for following too closely and failure to show proof of insurance.

11:30 p.m. — A 1978 Ford driven Raymond Marcelino Zamara, 609 1/2 E. Foster, struck a legally parked 1969 Harley - Davidson motorcycle in the 500 block of North Russell. Zamara was cited for unsafe backing and failure to show proof of liability insurance.

animal shelter report

These animals are currently being boarded at the Pampa Animal Shelter, located in Hobart Street Park.

The shelter is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. On Saturdays, the shelter is open from 11 a.m. to noon and from 4 to 5 p.m. For more information, call 669-6149 or 669-7407.

Male adults: black and gray shepherd, black and white Labrador mix, tri-colored beagle, black terrier mix, white and brown terrier, blonde Labrador mix, brown and white Brittany spaniel.

Male puppies: black terrier, black and white bird dog, black Labrador, three black and tan shepherd - Dobermans, black collie, brown shepherd.

Female adults: black and brown Labrador mix, tan and white shepherd mix, black and tan shepherd, black and gray shepherd, brown and white Pit mix, black and tan Doberman, black collie mix, black and white Pit mix, black and white shepherd, red Doberman.

fire report

No fires were reported in the 24-hour period ending at 9 a.m. today.

hospital notes

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions

Nancy Evans, Pampa
Barbara Heiskell, Pampa
Benjamin Northcutt, Pampa
Edwin Lick, Skellytown
Esther Welch, Pampa
Robin Garrett, Pampa
Iva Fitch, Pampa
Kelley Ferguson, Pampa
Victor Teakell, Pampa
Thomas Owen, Pampa
Cora Littlefield, Clarendon

Dismissals
Erma Boyd, Pampa
Winnie Clark, Pampa
Stella Gee, Pampa
Joe Thames, North Largo, Fla.
Denver May, Pampa
James Holmes, Pampa
Teresa Calderoni, Pampa
I.W. Tinney, Pampa
Gloria Driggers, Canadian

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
Lorine Sharp, McLean
Mary McMann, Childress
Estelle Hill, Shamrock
Dismissals
Tommy Todd, Shamrock
Carmen Navarez, Shamrock
Timmy Cole, Wheeler
Lena Blackketter, Leedy, Okla.
Roy Blackketter, Leedy, Okla.
Ruby Carver, Shamrock
Nora Hiltbrunner, Shamrock

senior citizen menu

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, creamed cauliflower, green beans, slaw or jello salad, apple cobbler or banana pudding.

THURSDAY

Beef tips over rice or beef enchiladas, cabbage, green peas, Pinto beans, tossed or jello salad, cherry cobbler or Boston cream pie.

FRIDAY

Chicken enchiladas or fried cod fish, french fries, buttered broccoli, white beans, tossed or jello salad, chocolate pudding or tapioca.

stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler - Evans of Pampa	
Wheat	3.24
Milo	1.40
Corn	1.25
Soybeans	5.80
The following quotations show the range within which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation	
Ky. Cent. Life	15 1/4 - 16 1/4
Serico	6 1/4 - 6 1/2
Southland Financial	15 1/4 - 15 1/2
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Schneider, Beret, Hickman, Inc. of Pampa	
Amarillo	20 1/2
Beatrice Foods	16 1/2
Cabot	17 1/2
Celanese	43 1/2
Cities Service	46
DIA	17 1/2
Dorchester	12 1/2
Getty	48 1/2
Halliburton	25 1/2
HCA	35
Ingersoll-Rand	28 1/2
InterNorth	23 1/2
Kerr-McGee	26 1/2
Mobil	31
Phillips	25 1/2
PNB	14 1/2
SJ	30 1/2
Southwestern Pub	12 1/2
Standard Oil	36 1/2
Tenneco	23 1/2
Traxco	26 1/2
Zales	19 1/2
London Gold	355.50
Silver	7.89

calendar of events

ADVERTISING CLASS

Registration for Advertising for Small Businesses will be held at 7 tonight at Clarendon College Pampa Center. The evening classes will be held each Tuesday for four weeks.

KINDERGARTEN PRE-ENROLLMENT

Pre-enrollment of kindergarten students at Wilson Elementary School will be from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday. Parents should bring birth certificates and shot records. Refreshments will be served to awaiting children and an orientation program will be given.

High on the hog



President Ronald Reagan and Eric Dee move in for a closer look at Shank, an 800 pound Yorkshire boar, during a visit to the Lee's 600 acre farm near State Center, Iowa on Monday. Shank doesn't appear to be too impressed by the visit from the former ham. (AP Laserphoto)

Reagan says U.S. must continue to supply grain to the Soviets

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — President Reagan, courting farmers in the Midwest, says the United States must honor its grain contracts with the Soviet Union and re-establish its reliability as a supplier.

But even as Reagan was stressing the importance of honoring U.S. grain contracts, his aides were reacting coolly to Britain's decision to uphold its contracts to help build a Soviet natural gas pipeline.

The president made his point about U.S. grain agreements twice Monday as he addressed corn growers in Des Moines and then chatted with farmers under a broiling midsummer sun 41 miles from the Iowa capital in State Center, Iowa.

Today, he is flying to Hartford, Conn., to address the centennial convention of the Knights of Columbus. He also plans lunch with Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, the Vatican secretary of state, who came to the Connecticut capital for the meeting of the Roman Catholic organization.

While the president discussed grain with Iowa farmers, his aides were responding to Britain's decision to go along with other European allies who have promised to continue assistance for the proposed 3,500-mile pipeline.

Reagan has urged the allies to hold off pipeline-related trade with the Soviets until the Soviet-assisted martial law is relaxed in Poland. In June, he imposed sanctions against firms shipping U.S.-licensed technology to the Soviets for the pipeline.

Last Friday, Reagan said the United States, in response to developments in Poland, would continue to refrain from negotiating a long-term grain agreement with the Soviets.

But he acted to patch up relations with Midwest farmers by saying that the current grain agreement with the Soviet Union would be extended for one year and that there would be no limits on size of shipments.

At the 25th annual convention of the National Corn Growers Association, Reagan said that the one-year extension "would have the sanctity of a contract, ensuring U.S. farmers access to the Soviet market."

He said the importance of this was brought home by Gov. Charles Thone of Nebraska, who said, "There must be no question about our respect for contracts."

"We must restore confidence in U.S. reliability as a supplier," Reagan said.

Then, when he visited the 500-acre farm operated by Allan, Eric and Donald Dee, he said that grain embargo declared by the Carter administration in the wake of the Soviet's military move into Afghanistan in December, 1979, "has shaken faith in our neighbors throughout the world as to whether we're reliable or not as a supplier."

He told about 40 farmers seated at picnic tables that the United States must "restore that faith in us that if we've made a deal or a contract, it'll be a contract and we'll keep it."

In London meanwhile, the government said four British companies were told to ignore the U.S. opposition to the Soviet pipeline.

"The embargo and the terms in which it has been imposed is an attempt to interfere with existing contracts and is an unacceptable extension of American extra-territorial jurisdiction in a way which is repugnant in international law," British Trade Secretary Lord Cockfield told the House of Lords on Monday. He said the government had no wish to escalate the dispute with Washington, but British interests had to be defended.

The farmyard in State Center, Iowa, where Reagan spoke with farmers had been rigged with a sophisticated sound system to amplify the president's remarks for the audience and a small group of reporters.

But moments before Reagan arrived by helicopter, the system was removed on the order of White House officials. They acknowledged that this step was taken to force reporters to focus on Reagan's comments made in the prepared speech he read from a text in Des Moines, rather than on his off-the-cuff remarks made to farmers who could have asked hostile questions.

Doctors say Hinckley is dangerous to himself and actress Jodie Foster

WASHINGTON (AP) — If a federal judge follows the advice of John W. Hinckley's doctors, the man who wounded President Reagan will remain hospitalized because he's a danger to himself and actress Jodie Foster.

Sources said a medical team from St. Elizabeths Hospital wrote U.S. District Judge Barrington D. Parker on Monday that Hinckley has serious personality disorders and should not be released.

Parker refused to make the report public immediately, but the sources, familiar with the two-page letter of findings and 200 pages of medical records, confirmed the contents. They spoke on condition that they not be identified.

The judge has scheduled a hearing Monday to determine whether Hinckley should be let out of St. Elizabeths, the federal mental facility he entered June 21 after a jury found him innocent by

reason of insanity.

Hinckley has not asked for his freedom and could decide to waive the release hearing he's entitled to under the law. If he remains at St. Elizabeths, either voluntarily or because Parker orders it, Hinckley could return to court every six months to ask for his release.

To let Hinckley out Parker must find, by a preponderance of the evidence, that he is not likely to injure himself or other persons due to mental illness.

According to the sources, the St. Elizabeths doctors said Hinckley is afflicted with the depression and personality disorders described in detail at his trial for shooting Reagan, White House Press Secretary James Brady and two law enforcement officers.

According to that trial testimony, that means Hinckley has fantasies, exhibits odd behavior, has an

exaggerated feeling of self-importance and is socially isolated.

One doctor said at his trial that Hinckley has a lonely person's disorder.

Twice since he's been in custody, Hinckley has attempted suicide — once by taking an overdose of the painkiller Tylenol and another time by hanging himself. The St. Elizabeths doctors believe this danger still exists.

Hinckley, in an interview after his trial, spoke about his current feelings for Miss Foster, the actress who rejected him.

"I don't think I would go stalking after her...if we were in the same room there might be some problem," he told Washington Post reporter Laura Kiernan, who he telephoned a week after the trial.

Hinckley left love letters under Miss Foster's door at Yale University, where she was a student, and talked to her on the telephone. She told him, politely, to stop calling.

correction

In an editorial on Sunday, the editor of The Pampa News erred in reporting that the City of Pampa spends \$276,338 on vehicle repairs outside the city's own shop. The figure represents the total vehicle repair bill for the entire year, and includes the salaries of those who work repairing city vehicles in its own shop. The City is unable to determine how much money is spent outside the shop and how much is spent inside the shop. The monthly average repair bill for each city vehicle is \$166.90. The error is that of the editor, and we regret any inconvenience or confusion this error caused. — Anthony Randles

Bess does it again; may go home this week

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Former first lady Bess Truman remained in serious but stable condition today following her weekend hospitalization for irregular breathing and pulse, officials said.

The 97-year-old widow of President Harry S. Truman was "looking a lot better" Monday and may be allowed to go home before the week is out, her doctor said.

She was hospitalized early Sunday for hyperkalemia, a buildup of potassium caused by diminished kidney function.

"Her pulse is good...she's looking a lot better," said Dr. Wilson Miller, who is attending to Mrs. Truman while her regular physician, Dr. Wallace Graham, is out of town.

Miller said both Mrs. Truman's pulse and respiration have improved. He said a decision on when she can return to her Independence home probably will be made when Graham returns to Kansas City Wednesday.

"I think she'll be about ready to go home at the end of the week," Miller said.

America's fourth largest cash crop is sold in darkened alleys

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department has a highly sophisticated system for estimating crop production, whether it's in

lowa or in the Soviet Union's breadbasket.

But when it comes to forecasting the U.S. marijuana harvest, the USDA prefers to steer clear.

In fact, officials said Monday that it has been at least 10 years since the department has published a

pamphlet showing how to identify and kill marijuana with chemical spraying.

Last week, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws said in a federal court suit that the 1981 marijuana crop was "worth an estimated \$8.2 billion nationally, making it the nation's fourth largest cash crop."

The Agriculture Department's latest figures show that four crops ranked larger in terms of cash receipts collected by farmers last year: Corn, \$13.6 billion; soybeans, \$12.4 billion; wheat, \$10.5 billion; and vegetables, \$8.4 billion.

But department officials said the \$8.2 billion worth of marijuana, if that was its street value, would be hard to compare with values of crops sold by farmers.

Donald W. Barrowman, chief of estimates operations for department's Statistical Research Service, said there is no way for his agency to make comparable estimates of production, yield and value for illegally grown marijuana.

He said other federal agencies, such as the Drug Enforcement Administration, have not asked for help in determining the size of the marijuana crop.

"We would be extremely reluctant to get into that, as far as I know the question hasn't even been raised," he said.

In 1943, for example, more than 146,000 acres of marijuana were grown, producing 140.6 million pounds. Although the effort was abandoned as a commercial crop after the war, so-called wild hemp persisted for years in areas where the crop had flourished.

As recently as 1971, the Agriculture Department drew up plans to pay farmers for destroying wild-growing marijuana plants. That plan was shelved after Congress barred crop subsidy payments to any farmers who allowed wild marijuana to be harvested.

The Forest Service, which oversees 190 million acres of public land, has been plagued by an increasing amount of marijuana being grown in timber areas — where it is hard to detect and relatively easy to harvest illegally.

Ernest V. Andersen, director of law enforcement for the Forest Service, said that he knew of no precise value for marijuana production. However, Andersen said he personally thought it could range between \$5 billion and \$10 billion a year.

"We don't know what the actual inventory is," he said. "If we knew it was there and had the resources to go deal with it, we'd have dealt with it. It's hard to estimate what you don't know."

Public Notices

NOTICIA DE UNA ELECCION ESPECIAL DE LA CIUDAD

Esta es para dar nota de una eleccion especial de la ciudad de Pampa, estado de Texas, cual eleccion se verificara el sabado, el 14 de agosto de 1982, para votar sobre cinco proposiciones para enmendar la constitucion de la ciudad, y las proposiciones son las que siguen:

1a Proposicion: Enmendar la seccion 3 del articulo VII de la constitucion de la ciudad para nombramiento de un caso de vacancia en la posicion de alcalde de la ciudad o cualquier vacancia dentro de la oficina del comisionado de la ciudad.

2da Proposicion: Enmendar la 5a seccion del articulo VII de la constitucion de la ciudad para permitir a un comisionado de servir lo que resta de su termino en el cual fue elegido si tal comisionado se mueve del barrio de donde fue elegido pero sigue siendo residente de la ciudad.

3a Proposicion: Enmendar la 5a seccion del articulo VII de la constitucion de la ciudad para permitir a un comisionado de servir lo que resta de su termino en el cual fue elegido si tal comisionado se mueve del barrio de donde fue elegido pero sigue siendo residente de la ciudad.

4a Proposicion: Enmendar la seccion 29 del articulo VII de la constitucion para proveer por anuncios de propuestas como se requiere bajo el articulo 2368a de la V.A.C.S. del estado de Texas.

5a Proposicion: Enmendar la seccion 31 del articulo VII de la constitucion para requerir bonos de los oficiales y empleados municipales así como lo requiere la comision de la ciudad.

Los lugares de votacion estaran abiertos desde las 7:00 de la manana hasta las 7:00 p.m.

Los lugares de votacion son los siguientes:

Districto 1: Las oficinas municipales

Districto 2: La sub-estacion nortena de bomberos

Districto 3: El edificio optimista del club de muchachos (Boys Club)

Districto 4: La sub-estacion de bomberos al sur de la ciudad Emendo bajo mi mano y ello este dia 12 de julio de 1982.

Erma L. Higabier City Secretary

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL CITY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given of a special election of the city of Pampa, Texas, to be held on Saturday, August 14, 1982, to vote on five propositions to amend the City Charter of said City as follows:

Proposition 1: To amend Section 3 of Article VII of said Charter to provide for the filling by appointment of a vacancy in the office of Mayor or a single vacancy in the office of City Commissioner.

Proposition 2: To amend Section 5 of Article VII of said Charter to permit a Commissioner to serve the balance of an elected term if the Commissioner moves from the ward from which elected but remains a resident of said City.

Proposition 3: To amend Section 5 of Article VII of said Charter to permit a Commissioner to serve the balance of an elected term if the Commissioner moves from the ward from which elected but remains a resident of said City.

Proposition 4: To amend Section 29 of Article VII of said Charter to provide for announcements of proposals as required by Article 2368a of V.A.C.S. of Texas.

Proposition 5: To amend Section 31 of Article VII of said Charter to require bonds of municipal officers and employees as the City Commission may require.

The polls will be open from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m.

The polling places are:

Ward 1: City Hall

Ward 2: North Fire Sub-station building

Ward 3: Optimist Boy's Club building

Ward 4: South Fire Sub-station building

Issued under my hand and seal this 12th day of July, 1982.

Erma L. Higabier City Secretary

Defense attorneys want new judge in Wood murder trial

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Defense attorneys are asking for a new judge and a new site for the trial of defendants accused in the assassination of U.S. District Judge John Wood Jr.

Having failed to get an early ruling on their move to disqualify the presiding judge, the defense lawyers planned to press their motions for a change of venue

as a pre-trial hearing continues today.

Chief U.S. District Judge William S. Sessions indicated at the end of a day-long court session Monday that he would not rule on any motion — including six to disqualify him from presiding — until the end of testimony in the hearing.

The hearing is expected to last as long as two weeks.

Attorney Tom Sharpe Jr., representing the man accused of killing Wood, Monday introduced into evidence news reports prepared by The San Antonio Express, The San Antonio News, The San Antonio Light and The Associated Press.

Several representatives of radio and television stations were subpoenaed to bring in their records today in Sharpe's bid to move to Colorado the trial of convicted hitman Charles V. Harrelson and five other defendants.

Sharpe and attorneys for the other five defendants also joined in motions asking Sessions to disqualify himself on grounds he could not be fair to the defendants because of a long association with Wood, who was slain here on May 29, 1979.

Harrelson, 43, is charged with shooting Wood for a \$250,000 fee allegedly paid by Jamiel "Jimmy" Chagra, 39, a high-stakes gambler and convicted narcotics trafficker from El Paso. Both are charged with murder of a federal judge, punishable by a mandatory life sentence.

Chagra's brother, El Paso lawyer Joseph Chagra, 35, is charged with conspiracy to murder Wood and to obstruct justice along with Jimmy Chagra's wife, Elizabeth, 29. Jo Ann Harrelson, 41, wife of Harrelson, is accused of perjury and conspiracy to obstruct justice. Leon Nichols, 51, father of Elizabeth Chagra, was indicted on income tax evasion charges along with the three Chagras.

Wood was scheduled to preside at Jimmy Chagra's 1979 narcotics trial at the time the judge was shot in the back. Sessions subsequently presided at Chagra's trial and sentenced him to 30 years without parole.

Attorneys Charles Campion, Billy Ravkind, Warren Burnett, Oscar Goodman and Sharpe, heading a battery of a dozen lawyers representing the

defendants, all argued that Sessions should step down.

"It boils down to the appearance of impartiality," said Campion, who called a psychiatrist to testify that Sessions might be subconsciously affected by Wood's death. "We have a situation here where a trusted and respected colleague was murdered. The appearance of impartiality, of objectivity, has to be diluted."

Assistant U.S. Attorney Ray Jahn, arguing against Sessions disqualifying himself, said that "we don't have any no-deposit, no-return judges. Facts that come to the attention of a judge during the course of his duties cannot be used as a basis for recusal. There is no showing that the friendship between this court and Judge Wood extended beyond a normal friendship."

Ravkind attempted to read into the record five allegedly derogatory references to Sessions made by Chagra while the FBI was tape-recording his conversations at Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary in December 1980 and January 1981.

Tennis court crash



The unidentified wife of pilot Byron L. Jaffe hugs her husband and asks if he is okay after he crash-landed his single engine aircraft onto the tennis courts at Los Angeles City College late Monday afternoon. Jaffe's passenger, Randal Martin, was treated and released from Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital. Byron's wife declined to give her name to newsmen at the scene. (AP Laserphoto)

Immigration officials are checking citizenship of school riot suspects

UNIVERSITY PARK, Texas (AP) — Additional charges may be filed against some of the 33 supporters of Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini charged with criminal trespassing after a disturbance on a university campus, police in this fashionable Dallas suburb say.

Agents of the Immigration and Naturalization Service also were reviewing the files of the Iranians arrested Friday and said they will begin deportation proceedings against any of the demonstrators determined to be in the country illegally.

Two Iranians opposed to the Khomeini government were stabbed and two others were treated for minor injuries and released after the disturbance at the Southern Methodist University student center.

A spokesman at Parkland Memorial Hospital refused

comment on the condition of the two stabbing victims or say if they were still hospitalized.

Chanting pro-Khomeini slogans and some members of the anti-Khomeini Moslem Iranian Society that was holding a university-sanctioned assembly at the student center, police said.

Officers said they are pursuing charges of assault on a police officer against

some of the demonstrators who fought with police outside the student center.

Police Capt. Ray Fletcher said the additional charges will be presented to the Dallas County district attorney's office this week.

"Our main concern is to identify them correctly," he said. The suspects "have given us so many bad names, that we just want to know who we are filing on."

Officers said none of the demonstrators who were

arrested carried identification.

Investigators found a knife after the 10-minute melee that could have been used in the attacks, according to SMU police chief Bill Caffee.

"We have not identified the individuals responsible for the stabbings," said Caffee. "We have not obtained sufficient evidence. We are much concerned about that and we are trying to develop every part of the case that we can."

Endangered species suit settled

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The state attorney general says Neiman-Marcus has settled a lawsuit filed against it for offering items made from endangered species animals at its Beverly Hills store.

Attorney General George Deukmejian said Monday a stipulated judgment was entered without the Dallas-based firm admitting any wrongdoing.

Under the judgment,

Neiman-Marcus is enjoined from offering any product made of crocodile, python or any other animal protected by the California endangered species statute. Deukmejian said the products offered at the Beverly Hills store were made of crocodile and python.

In addition, Neiman-Marcus agreed to pay \$5,000 in civil penalties, \$5,000 as attorney's fees, and \$1,785 to the state

Department of Fish and Game for investigative expenses.

Neiman-Marcus also agreed to pay \$15,000 to be divided equally between the Los Angeles Museum of Natural History Foundation, the Zoological Society of San Diego, and the Fish and Game Reservation Fund, Deukmejian said.

The company must also send a memorandum to its executives about the Neiman-Marcus policy of complying with federal and California endangered species statutes. Buyers will have to carry cards quoting the state law when buying merchandise.

Deukmejian said it is often difficult for executives to comply with the state law because they are not aware that California imposes higher standards than the federal government in protecting endangered species. He said it often takes experts to identify the animals used to make exotic products.

Autistic boy's body found in pond

LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — The body of an 8-year-old autistic boy who had been missing for three days was found floating in a pond about 2 1/2 hours after the formal search for the child was suspended.

Duwayne Schultz was found dead Monday in about 20 feet of water about one-fourth of a mile from his grandparents' home in the Peavy Switch community near Lufkin.

A youngster spotted the body floating in the pond in his family's yard.

Justice of the Peace Bill Pinner pronounced Duwayne dead about 6 p.m. Monday, shortly after the body was found. Pinner, who said it appeared the boy had drowned, said he did not know how long the child had been dead.

Duwayne, who relatives said needed a daily supply of medicine to prevent seizures, had been missing since about 10 p.m. Friday night. His grandmother, Mattie Schultz, said she had left Duwayne's bedroom "for three to four minutes at the most," returning to find a window open and the boy missing.

About 200 volunteers and law enforcement authorities had searched for the boy on Saturday and Sunday.

Monday's effort began at sunrise and involved about 150 searchers,

four-wheel-drive vehicles, a Texas Department of Public Safety helicopter and horseback patrols. Divers checked several stock tanks near the grandparents' home.

When no sign of the boy was found, authorities suspended the search at 3:30 p.m., speculating that Duwayne might be alive and hiding, afraid to return home because of the searchers. The search was to resume Tuesday morning.

The youngster previously had hidden and played in pastures and woods south and west of the grandparents' home, relatives said.

After the body was recovered, investigators theorized that the boy may have walked into the pond and gone under quickly because of the sharp dropoff. The pond is about three feet deep at the edge, 10 feet deep several feet from the edge, and 20 feet deep about 10 feet from the edge.

While Duwayne was missing, the boy's family talked with three people who said they had special mental powers that might help in the search.

Two women had come to the area and had made predictions, but their information turned out not to be accurate, witnesses said.

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OPINION PAGE

Draft evasion laws must be sensible

A 16-year-old girl comes home 15 minutes after her curfew. Her protective father confronts her as she walks in the door, and spatters: "You're late! You're grounded!" and if you're ever late again, you won't be allowed out of the house again until... until you're 18!"

Does she believe him? No. She knows Dad is just blowing off steam, that he's just trying to scare her. What's worse, every time her father makes such an idle threat, she loses a little bit of respect for him.

The federal government's threat to throw young men who fail to register for the draft into jail for five years and to fine them \$10,000 works — or fails to work — in much the same way. "All that for not signing up at the post office?" young men are asking. "No way. I don't believe she won't be locked up in her bedroom for two years, today's young men believe that unless they publicly flaunt the fact that they are draft evaders, they'll never have to face the full consequences.

More than 500,000 young Americans have evaded draft registration since the program was initiated two years ago. The large majority didn't sign up because they believe the law can't be enforced. How can it declare that a half million otherwise law-abiding young men are felons and throw them into federal penitentiaries?

The government, after several months, has delivered its first indictment for defying draft registration to Benjamin Sasway of Vista, Calif., who intends to make his trial a test case. The government is trying to induce others into registering. But, unless those 500,000

young men believe mass prosecution is possible they won't take the threat seriously.

There are other problems. The law gives evaders like Sasway what they want: publicity for their cause. Moreover, the threatened punishment is so harsh that it puts the government in the adversarial role of the angry father. It places hundreds of thousands of young men in stubborn opposition to the government.

We need a more reasonable and enforceable law that would induce young men to comply but at the same time punish those who intentionally avoided registering in order to propagandize their opposition to the program.

An idea would be to fine each registration evader \$10 for every day he is delinquent in fulfilling his registration responsibility. When he registers and paid his fine, the matter would end. The law would have an effective deterrent. For those who refused to register, the government would withhold federal aid — no student loans, no welfare and no food stamps could be granted to those who refused to pay. The punishment is rational. Holdouts would receive about as much public sympathy as those who refuse to pay traffic tickets.

This plan was originally proposed by retired Marine Corps Gen. Victor Krulak. Krulak has since received favorable comments about the plan from President Reagan.

If the president likes the plan, he ought to actively recommend it. It would be a vast improvement over the registration law we now have.

Consistent policy needed with China

It probably is now accurate to say that mainland China no longer is the aggressive, militant communist power that it was, at least during Mao's heyday. The decision by the Nixon administration to "play the China card" as a way of counterbalancing the power of the Soviet union while it had some drawbacks, can be viewed by most Americans as a prudent step.

China has not thrown off the traces of Marxist ideology in a single step nor become, hesto - presto, a peace-loving free society. Nevertheless, it seems to be a bit less aggressive on the international scene than it was, and some signs of internal loosening of repression, even some flirtations with a rudimentary form of a private market appear from time to time. Such developments are encouraging, and to some extent validate the decision to treat it as just another country in the world rather than an implacable permanent adversary.

Unfortunately, U. S. diplomacy seems to have a hard time defining "normal" relations with mainland China, let alone carrying them on. Since 1972 the U. S. has continually been in danger of swinging from the old extreme of isolation to a new extreme of naive enthusiasm that wants to grant Chinese officials concessions they haven't even thought of yet.

The 1980 election campaign, with its flap over the Taiwan Relations Act and candidate Ronald Reagan's solemn pledge that he would cease treating the Taiwanese as shabbily as Jimmy Carter had, offered a promise that a Reagan administration would pursue a more balanced approach to China. That implied promise has not been kept.

It is not our purpose here to debate whether the United States should sell Taiwan the advanced fighter planes the island regime wants. Rather, in a

broader sense, we would urge that American policy reflect American values and not be used as an instrument for perceived but unprincipled diplomatic gain.

There's evidence that the Reagan administration, whether because of a starry-eyed approach to foreign policy or an excess of holdovers in the State Department, is in danger of adopting the bend-over-backwards approach to China.

There's little question that the sale of airplanes and spare parts to Taiwan, supposedly mandated by the Taiwan Relations Act, has been held up due to solicitude for feelings on the mainland. Vice President George Bush, who earned some of his claim to fame as ambassador to China, recently conducted another pilgrimage to Peking, bearing assurances that the United States wanted friends and no arguments.

More recently Deputy Secretary of State Walter Stoessel disclosed that the administration is considering a proposal to help the Chinese government develop a nuclear power industry. Why should U. S. taxpayers be drafted to undertake this project with loan guarantees, trade credits and indirect subsidies?

More recently still, the mainland Chinese make a point of reminding visiting Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker that they object to the idea of the United States selling weapons to the Taiwanese. There is no evidence that Baker did anything but roll over.

It is to be expected that so long as they thing they can get away with it, Chinese officials will push the United States for as many concessions as they think they can win. It is to be hoped that U. S. representatives will develop a little more self-respect. At present, the United States is in danger of being held hostage to mainland Chinese whims and demands.

By ROBERT WALTERS

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Another commercial airliner has crashed, killing scores of people aboard the plane, another round of hand-wringing has begun and another federal investigation is under way to determine the cause of the accident.

The progression of events following airline disasters — the first dramatic news accounts, the grief visited upon the victims' relatives and the somber proclamations of concern from government officials — has become a contemporary ritual.

There is, however, an important element of that ritual that generally has remained hidden from public view — the scandalous pattern of inaction, insensitivity and delay within the federal agency primarily responsible for air safety.

The Federal Aviation Administration has never resolved the conflict inherent in the 1958 law that created the agency and mandated it to promote the civil aviation industry while simultaneously imposing and enforcing stringent safety standards on that industry.

The problems posed by those conflicting goals become apparent at

Flaws in air-safety regulation

the initial stage of civil aviation, when an airframe manufacturer produces a new passenger plane that requires FAA "type certification" — the agency's assurance that the aircraft is airworthy and safe for commercial use.

Although the Federal Aviation Act specifically authorizes public hearings during the certification process, not one such hearing has ever been scheduled by the FAA.

Instead, the agency treats aircraft certification as a private matter between itself and the manufacturer. Moreover, it has structured the process in a manner that allows the manufacturer to improperly influence — if not dominate and control — the entire procedure.

The FAA, for example relies heavily upon "designated engineering representatives" selected by the agency to perform inspections, approve work done by the manufacturer and check on the manufacturer's quality-control standards — but the people delegated to perform those crucial tasks are employees of the manufacturer.

In the case of the McDonnell Douglas DC-10, for instance, 42,950 inspections

were required for certification — but 31,895 of those official FAA inspections (almost 75 percent of the total) were performed by workers on the manufacturer's payroll.

The DC-10 provides a textbook example of the FAA's inability to seriously enforce safety standards not only before but also after certification.

In May 1970, the DC-10s cargo-door latch failed during a pre-certification static test of the plane. Engineers for a McDonnell Douglas subcontractor wrote an internal memo questioning the design and integrity of the door-latch mechanism — but the FAA never found out about the problem.

If the doors of the plane's cargo compartment failed to latch properly, they would pop open in flight after the cabin was pressurized, causing the floor of the passenger cabin to collapse. That, in turn, could damage or sever control lines stretching from the cockpit to the tail.

The FAA certified the DC-10 as airworthy in July 1971. Less than a year later, in June 1972, a cargo door blew out on an American Airlines DC-10 over Canada. The plane's control lines were damaged and the controls

jammed, but it landed safely.

In such circumstances, the FAA should have issued an "airworthiness directive," a mandatory order with the force of law directing the manufacturer to correct the flaws revealed in the post-accident investigation.

Instead, the FAA and McDonnell Douglas entered into a private "gentleman's agreement" under which the manufacturer promised to remedy the problem by sending airlines that had purchased the DC-10 a service bulletin suggesting that the repairs be made voluntarily.

Although a DC-10 destined for Turkish Airlines was still under construction by McDonnell Douglas at the time, the necessary modifications were never made. In March 1974, that plane crashed into a forest near Paris, killing all 346 people aboard — the worst single-plane aircraft disaster in history.

The FAA then decided it was time to issue an airworthiness directive requiring changes in the cargo-door latch.

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To pay cash good for Uncle, too

By OSCAR COOLEY

Opponents of the balanced-budget amendment are fostering a great illusion: that the people of the United States can get goodies of all sorts from the deficit-financed government at less cost than if they paid for them in taxes.

"The government" is nothing but an agency of the people. It takes money from them in taxes. In fact, this is its basic source of income. When it gets one more dollar in tax revenue, the people are minus one dollar.

When the government borrows by selling notes or bonds to the commercial banks, it receives dollars in the form of deposits in the banks. These are new dollars which did not exist before the bonds were bought by the bank.

When the Treasury borrows billions, as it often does, many new dollars are created. As the government spends them, they go into circulation. It is the spending of this huge infusion of new dollars that bids up prices, that is, causes inflation.

Everyone is hurt by inflation because

everyone spends dollars, and now he finds that each dollar will buy less. Wealth in the form of part of the value of each of his dollars has been taken from him. It's the same as if some of his dollars had been taken. That is why Ronald Reagan in his news broadcast of July 28 stated that inflation "is a form of tax."

"It is not only a tax but a sales tax, added to the price of everything bought with dollars. Hence it bears most painfully on those who buy the most. Unlike the income tax, it makes no pretense of taxing people in proportion to the ability of each to pay. Not the rich family-head but the family-head with the most mouths to feed and backs to clothe, the highest rent to pay, is the one who suffers most from the inflation caused by government borrowing.

Thus a U.S. government that pays cash for everything — borrowing nothing, creating no inflation and levying no "inflation tax" — is best for the citizen. This is why the proposed amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would forbid the government to borrow except in time of unmistakable

emergency should be enacted.

Washington has operated in the red in all but one of the last 20 years. Thus the national debt has accumulated to over a trillion dollars. Just to pay the interest on it, we pay \$225,000 every minute.

And the end is not yet. Due to commitments made by Reagan's predecessors, there will be a huge deficit, now estimated around \$150 billion, next year and a similar one the year after.

Some claim it is impossible for the government to operate on a cash basis. If you and I had power to levy taxes on the richest citizenry in the world, would we have to borrow to meet our bills? Paying the government's way wholly out of direct taxes is a less painful way than paying partly out of tax money but largely by inflation.

Others say putting the amendment in effect would precipitate a serious economic recession. Why? Is deficit financing necessary for prosperity? It seems strange we would have to devalue our unit or exchange completely, and have to run the national debt up to infinity, in order to be prosperous.

Common sense tells us that a financial policy that is sound for an individual or firm is sound for a nation. Again, "the government" is not separate from the people. It would not exist were it not for its creators, the people. It is a kind of artificial person, set up to serve a quarter billion flesh-and-blood persons. What is economically prudent for each of them is prudent for the government.



By ART BUCHWALD

Letters from Jim Watt

By ART BUCHWALD

Interior Secretary James Watt has been very busy lately drumming up support for Reagan's strip-mining and oil-drilling plans for America. In his now famous letter to the Israeli ambassador to the U. S., Watt warned that opposition to the administration's energy program by American Jewish liberals would weaken this nation's "ability to be a good friend of Israel."

While the White House disavowed the letter, even though it was written on Interior stationery, Watt defended it, and said he was not threatening anyone. He claimed he was appealing for support from every identifiable group in America, whether they be "unions, the black community, Catholics, Protestants, Jews and Gentiles."

This means Watt's going to have to write an awful lot of letters to prove he doesn't just have it in for American Jewish liberals.

I can see him in his office right now. "Miss Bloomsbury, take a letter to the Nigerian ambassador to the U. S. . . 'Dear Mr. Ambassador: As you know the Reagan energy policy is very close to my heart as it is to the President's. Unfortunately there are many liberal blacks in this country who are opposing us. The conservative blacks are for us, but the others are making our life difficult. Therefore I must inform you that unless you can persuade American blacks to back our program, relations between the United States and Nigeria could go very badly. Please do not take

this a threat but a fact of life."

"Okay, who's next?"

"The Catholics. Do you want to write to the ambassador of Ireland or Italy?"

"I think I'll send this directly to the Pope. Start with 'Your Holiness: Forgive me for intruding on your time, but I believe that you should be aware that there are many Catholics in this country who are trying to preserve the environment and keep us from becoming self-sufficient in coal and oil. This administration will not stand by and allow any religious group to interfere with our energy policies. Relations with until now, have been good. But the Catholic liberals in this country must be made to realize that when they don't support the President, they are making it impossible for him to support you. I don't think that's too strong, do you?"

"No, sir. I think it's just right. Shall we write to the Protestants?"

"Send the same letter to Queen Elizabeth. If we mail it to the Archbishop of Canterbury he'll throw it in the wastepaper basket. Does that take care of all the religious liberals?"

"I think so, unless you want to write to Khomeini."

"Let's skip that for a moment, and deal with the ethnic groups that have been opposing us. How about one to Indira Gandhi warning her if she doesn't get the liberal American Indians to stop opposing us, we'll cut off all food shipments to Bombay?"

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Britain joins allies, defies pipeline embargo

LONDON (AP) — Britain has joined America's three other major European allies in official defiance of President Reagan's embargo of U.S. technology for the Soviet gas pipeline and has ordered four British firms to honor \$387-million in contracts.

Trade Secretary Lord Cockfield told the House of Lords Monday that the ban "is an unwarranted extension of American territorial jurisdiction in a way which is repugnant in international law."

Cockfield said he was invoking the Protection of Trading Interests Act to prohibit compliance with foreign regulations that would restrain British industry. The French and Italian governments have also instructed firms in their countries to honor pipeline contracts, while the West German government said it would support any company that did so.

These nations contend Reagan cannot interfere with contracts signed before July 1, when he banned use of U.S.-licensed technology to build

equipment for the pipeline. The embargo was intended to force an easing of the martial law restrictions in Poland, which the United States blames on the Soviet Union.

"We regret that the British have taken this action," said Reagan's deputy press secretary, Larry Speakes. "We regret any action that has been taken that would weaken pressure on the Polish authorities."

But as he spoke, Reagan invoked the contract principle in telling Iowa farmers that current U.S. grain agreements with the Soviet Union would be extended for one year without any limit on the size of shipments.

The president told the convention of the National Corn Growers Association in Des Moines that the extension "would have the sanctity of a contract, ensuring U.S. farmers access to the Soviet market." And he told farmers in State Center, Iowa, that the United States must "restore that faith in us that if we've made a deal or a contract,

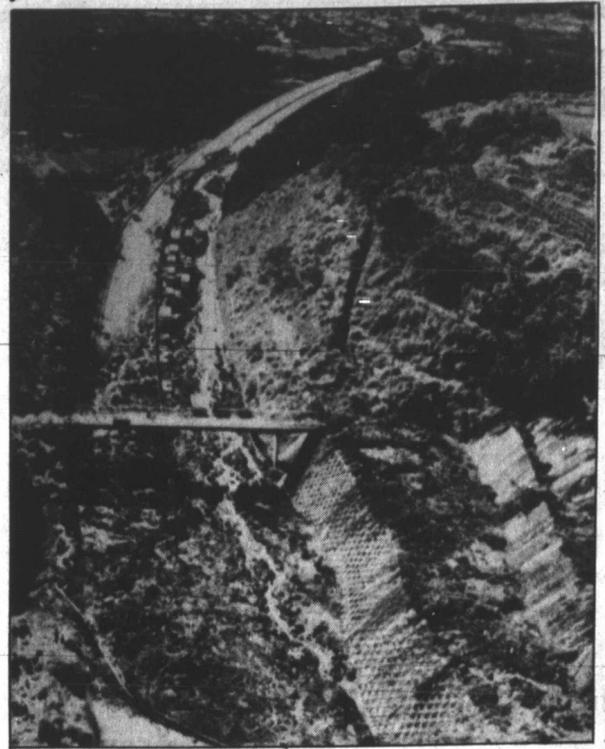
it'll be a contract and we'll keep it."

Reagan last Friday announced that his government would not negotiate the new long-term grain agreement with the Soviet Union that U.S. grain farmers are demanding. But in an attempt to hold the farm vote, he said the current agreement would be extended for a year.

Many Europeans cite Reagan's refusal to ban U.S. grain sales to the Soviet Union — totaling \$1.8 billion or more this year — as justification for opposition to his bans aimed at the Siberian pipeline, which is scheduled to begin operating in 1984. They argue that Europe needs the pipeline as a source of energy and of jobs during the current recession.

The U.S. government contends Western Europe should not be dependent on Soviet energy supplies. It also wants to deny the Soviet Union the billions of dollars in foreign currency it would earn through sale of natural gas from the pipeline.

After the rain



A landslide buried about 30 vehicles on the Chuo Expressway in Nagahara, near Tokyo, Monday morning, after the season's 10 typhoon slashed across Japan's main island of Honshu on Sunday and Monday. One person was reported killed and several others injured in the landslide triggered by the rains. (AP Laserphoto)

FBI agent describes how he infiltrated mob

NEW YORK (AP) — In his dark blue blazer and red-striped tie, he looked more like a smartly dressed businessman, but FBI agent Joseph Pistone testified that he posed as a burglar and jewel thief to infiltrate organized crime.

Pistone, who came close to being "made" into the Joseph Bonanno family under the name of Don Brasco, conceded Monday that "the first few months (in 1979) were not very successful."

But he said he soon won the confidence of important

mobsters by joining with another FBI agent — whose pseudonym was Tony Rossi and whose real identity was not revealed — to manage a "bottle club," or unlicensed bar, in Holiday, Fla.

Pistone testified in the trial of five men described as

members of the old Bonanno family. He was to take the stand again today.

The agent testified that Dominick "Sonny Black" Napolitano, 51, had summoned him to New York and "said he was glad Tony and I were earning money down in Florida because part of his crew weren't pulling their weight."

He said he became so successful that Napolitano promised to make him a full-fledged member of the family. "As soon as the books (membership rolls) opened up again, he was going to propose me for membership," Pistone testified.

In fact, Pistone said, his

popularity was so great that factions of the family were fighting over who would control him. The prosecution played a wiretapped telephone conversation in which another defendant, Benjamin "Lefty" Ruggiero, one of Napolitano's lieutenants, was heard to tell Pistone about a meeting on the dispute:

Ruggiero: "I'm gonna tell you now, pal, you belong to me alone. I'll die with you."

Pistone: "I know that."

Ruggiero: "Now you, now you affiliated officially."

In his testimony, Pistone described the underworld struggle for control of the Bonanno organization after the killing of its boss.

Opponents say withholding plan would hurt consumers

WASHINGTON (AP) — A proposal in Congress that would require banks to withhold income taxes on interest earned in savings accounts would cost consumers billions of dollars, opponents of the plan say.

"Consumers are going to get hurt (by the proposal)," said Mal Nestlerode, executive vice president of the National Association of Federal Credit Unions. "Consumers are getting the short end of the stick."

Nestlerode and other industry spokesmen argue that the withholding plan — part of the tax package being considered by a Senate-House negotiating committee — would mean less money in savers' accounts on which to build interest.

But administration officials argue the proposal will increase revenue, without actually raising taxes.

Under the plan, all but small financial institutions would be required to withhold 10 percent of the interest most investors have accrued, starting Jan.

1. Corporations would have to withhold the same amount on dividends.

Although details have not been ironed out, the proposal would exempt low-income and elderly investors, and no withholding would be required on interest earnings under \$100 a year.

Robert McCormick, an Oklahoma bank president who is head of the Independent Bankers Association of America, said, "We agree they ought to collect the taxes but there's got to be a better way than to withhold on every human being in the country."

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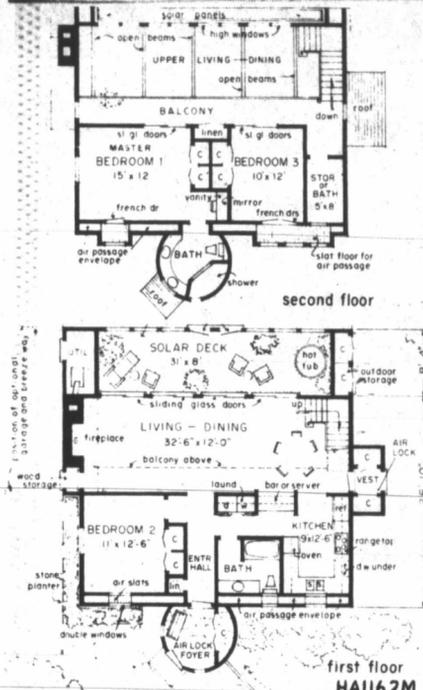
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Replace a bad switch

By ANDY LANG
AP Newsfeatures
Q. — There is one wall electric switch in our house that seems to work all right, but only for a few minutes. The switch controls one of the lamp outlets in the dining room. When that switch is pushed down, the lamp goes on and stays on for about 4 or 5 minutes. It then goes out and apparently blows a fuse when it does. I have replaced the fuse in that circuit each time, only to have the same thing happen again. I now have placed a piece of electrical tape over the switch so that nobody can turn it on. Is there any way I can fix this myself and can you guess what the trouble might be?
A. — There isn't much doubt that the mechanism is short-circuiting. This is based on the assumption that there is no overload of other electrical equipment on the same line and the lamp itself is not defective. If you plug another lamp into the same outlet and the fuse blows, the switch probably is at fault. You did the proper thing in taping up the switch, since it should not be used if it blows a fuse every time it is turned on. What is needed is a new switch. If the electrical code in your area does not forbid replacing a switch unless you are a licensed electrician, remove the fuse that controls that outlet. Take off the switch plate. Unscrew the wires from their terminals. Remove the switch from the box in the wall. Replace with a new switch, attaching the wires the same way as they were. Put back the switch plate. Turn on the juice to that switch by replacing the fuse. The fuse should not blow when the lamp plug is back in the outlet and the switch is turned on. If it does and the outlet is not at fault, better get an electrician.

Dear Abby

Witchcraft rumors give company a devil of a time

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I just received a mimeographed letter in the mail telling me not to buy products made by Procter & Gamble. It was signed, "A Good Christian." It said the Procter & Gamble Co. supports a religious cult dedicated to witchcraft and the devil. As proof they sent a picture of the P&G trademark insignia — a man's face in a half-moon with 13 stars, a symbol of Satan.
The letter stated that the owner of Procter & Gamble appeared on "The Merv Griffin Show" and also on "Donahue," saying he owed his success to "Satan!"
Abby, can you find out if the Procter & Gamble Co. has any connection with Satan and witchcraft, because if it has, I am not buying any more of its products.

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DEAR NEEDS: Letters such as the one you received have been circulated through the U.S. for the last two years, and there is not a shred of truth in the rumor that P&G is connected with Satan, witchcraft or the devil!

Furthermore, neither Merv Griffin nor Phil Donahue has had anyone from Procter & Gamble on their shows, but this rumor has been so widespread that both Griffin and Donahue have had to send out form letters to deny this false accusation.

Some of the nation's most respected Christian religious leaders have issued public statements in an effort to put an end to this vicious campaign. They include the Rev. Jerry Falwell, the Rev. Jimmy Draper, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Rev. Donald E. Wildmon, Methodist minister and executive of the National Federation for Decency, Bishop Emerson Colaw, United Methodist Church, the Rev. William C. Black, bishop of the Epis-

copal Diocese of Southern Ohio.

All "good Christians" who have specific information about anyone distributing this propaganda should write to: Procter & Gamble, P.O. Box 599, Department D.A., Cincinnati, Ohio 45201. Please include your name, address and telephone number.

DEAR ABBY: This is in regard to "Finders," who sought advice on how to obtain an honest appraisal for an "expensive-looking" piece of jewelry he said he had found, but had no luck in locating the owner.

You suggested that he take it to a reputable jeweler. I am a reputable jeweler, and when someone comes to me with a piece of jewelry valued at more than \$100 and tells me he "found" it and wants it appraised, the first question I ask is, "Did you notify the police?"

If the answer is "yes," I check with the police to verify it. If the answer is "no," I advise him to do so immediately. Often jewelry is passed off as "found" when in fact it has been stolen.

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DEAR MR. FINCHLEY: Thank you for raising an excellent point that I had not considered. I also heard from many lawyers advising me that in some areas there are laws requiring the finder to turn over the found item to the police department. After a certain length of time, if it is not claimed and identified by its rightful owner, it becomes the property of the finder.

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The revival of Art Deco

By BARBARA MAYER

AP Newsfeatures
Between World War I and II, an architectural and decorative style known as Art Deco flourished in Europe and the United States. The movement combined many then-current influences, such as the Cubism and Futurism of the art world. Art Deco also incorporated an enthusiasm for the exotic, including both oriental and Egyptian motifs.

It was a short-lived period, ushered out by a worldwide depression and World War II. After the war, Art Deco was dismissed as hopelessly romantic and naive. However, the characteristics that made it a laughing stock in the sober post-war world are now playing a role in the revival of a style some observers believe will be the next big decorative enthusiasm.

Richard Himmel, a Chicago designer, recently introduced a collection of reproductions of mainly-French Art Deco furniture based on pieces in the collection of originals he has been gathering since 1970.

He said the romance of the furniture and its setting — the drama, fluidity, jewel-like effects and soft colors of the associated textiles and paints — made it desirable today for use in spaces often devoid of architectural detail.

"It is a lightly scaled and sculptural furniture. It fills the space with lots of line, but is not massive. It really works in small rooms, and small rooms are what we have to work with today."

Himmel's collection is pricey. The mirrors, tables, chairs, cabinets and upholstered pieces range from \$800 to \$5,000. It represents a growth of interest in Art Deco at the upper levels of taste. The accessories and furniture in the style shown at the recent North Carolina furniture market indicate there is

also interest at a broader level.

Yet another aspect to the Art Deco revival in the U.S. is the growing number of individuals and organizations working to preserve the Art Deco heritage. According to Barbara Capitman, of Miami, president and one of the founders of the Art Deco Societies of America, groups operating in more than 10 localities are devoting considerable effort to finding, publicizing, protecting from demolition, and restoring Art Deco buildings, monuments and furnishings.

She traces the beginnings of these efforts to a small group of interior designers who began in 1976 to call attention to a unique area in Miami Beach where hundreds of Art Deco buildings still stand, many in poor repair and in danger of demolition.

Awarded a \$10,000 grant by the city, the group made an architectural study of Miami Beach. It found 800 buildings worth preserving in an area roughly a mile square, according to Mrs. Capitman, who is also a founding member of the Miami Design Preservation League.

The group's enthusiasm and efforts to save these buildings resulted in the formation of a historic district and a listing of the area on the National Register of Historic Places.

Acquiring landmark status has made it easier to obtain financing to save and restore some of the buildings, she said. One group of investors has purchased six hotels and is refurbishing them. It plans to promote the hotels and Miami Beach as a tourist attraction of interest to designers, artists and preservationists.

Miami is not the only city where interest runs high in preserving Art Deco influences. Art Deco societies exist or are forming in New York, Chicago,

Minneapolis-St. Paul, San Francisco, Seattle, Cincinnati, Oklahoma City-Tulsa, Buffalo and Toronto as well as in Los Angeles, Boston and Philadelphia.

A recent cross-country trip convinced Mrs. Capitman there were considerably more Art Deco buildings than once was suspected.

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Revival of old games to beat boredom

It's a universal problem, the "I can't find anything to do" blues. You've exhausted the matinee, visited every zoo, park and exhibit within miles and you still can't seem to shake it. What's a parent to do?

"Return to the 'oldies but goodies,'" says F. W. Woolworth consumer advisor Anne Winfield. "Simple outdoor games are as much fun today as they were years ago, and nearly as inexpensive."

For under \$10 you can prepare a terrific summer fun kit that will amuse your children for hours, Winfield says.

The kit, consisting of seven items, is a cinch to assemble and all items are available at your local variety store.

Items to include: jacks, marbles, jump rope, kik-bak or bollo bat, chalk, wonder bubbles and a rubber ball.

One easy-to-play game that's been around since prehistoric man is jackstones, now called jacks.

There are 13 different ways to play jacks and a double set sells for less than a dollar.

Another game that has a long history of intriguing players is marbles. According to Winfield there are at least 57 different ways to play. "A bag of 46 marbles in many different sizes and colors costs about a dollar today at practically every Woolworth store in the country," she notes.

Jump rope is a great group game for burning up excess energy. There are no formalized rules in jump rope, although there are over 3,000 chants recorded.

Kik-bak or bollo bat consists of a wooden paddle, long rubber band and ball. It "only" requires coordination, says Winfield. For young children who may get frustrated easily, tie a knot in the rubber band to shorten it and make the game easier, suggests the Woolworth advisor. A score of 5 or 10 consecutive hits might win for an 8-year-old

while an older child might strive for a score of 50 or 100.

Chalk is a key component of hopscotch and its circular variation, snail hopscotch. Colored chalk can be used by budding artists on sidewalk "sketch pads." The resulting graffiti can be easily erased with a garden hose after being photographed for the family album if a fledgling Renoir is discovered.

Bubble soap is great for the beach and you can chase the bubbles and recapture them on the wand.

A pink rubber ball is the only piece of equipment needed for a wide variety of games: handball, hit-the-penny, punchball and stoopball. Spalding is still the best and is known to many as a "spaldeen." The rules for each game varied with each neighborhood 30 years ago and still do.

"The only danger in playing all of these games is that parents may have more fun than the children," concludes Winfield.

Pedal power



Edith Wilson tries out one of the new exercise machines recently purchased by the Altrusa Club of Pampa for the Pampa Senior Citizens' Center. Marilyn McClure, Altrusa Club president; and Betty Tom Graham, Altrusa Community Service Committee member; and Joyce Puckett, director of the Pampa Senior Citizens; are spectators to the breaking in ceremony. The two new machines are similar to stationary exercise bicycles except that the one's purchased for the Center exercise both the upper and lower body as well as provide aerobic exercise. (Staff Photo by Bruce Lee Smith)

New books at Lovett Library

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CINNAMON SKIN — John D. MacDonald: In this new adventure, Travis McGee investigates a tragic yet suspicious accident that befalls a friend's family at sea.

RICHARD SIMMONS' NEVER-SAY-DIET COOKBOOK: more than 100 recipes by the Hollywood television personality and exercise guru.

Memorials were given for James L. "Buddy" Chase, Thelma Jones Powers and Winford Club.

Mom's attitude about her work influences children's views

COLLEGE STATION — Mom's attitude about her work away from home has a major effect on her children's views toward it, says Diane Welch, a family life education specialist.

"When mothers feel good about their work outside the home, the effect on their children is more likely to be positive," the specialist says.

Welch is with the Home Economics Program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Of course, many factors affect children's social and psychological adjustment to Mom working outside the home, but her attitude is significant, Welch notes.

MORE MOMS WORKING TODAY

For the first time in history, a majority of American

women are in the labor force, Welch says.

Statistically more than half of all Texas mothers with school age children are employed. Of mother with children under six the figure is only a bit lower — 40 percent are employed outside the home.

"This dramatic social change has created concern among researchers and the general public — many are asking, 'what's happening to the children?'" Welch says.

RESEARCH UNCOVERS FAMILY NEEDS

Some of "what's happening" has been documented by studies that focus on children's thoughts about their mothers working.

Findings from these studies provide insight into needs of families in which the mother works outside the home.

Welch says. These family needs also suggest guidelines for parents, she adds.

Here are the guidelines:

1) Mothers, share your work with the family. Children who have some information about their mother's employment are more likely to understand it.

Mothers can help children gain understanding by talking over their jobs with the children, taking the children places of employment when feasible and introducing the children to people "Mom works with."

2) Mothers, consider the adjustments you children must make.

When Mom works outside the home, the whole family has to adjust routines, schedules and responsibilities.

Complaints sometimes voiced by children of working mothers include these:

"We miss out on all the fun."

"We have too many household responsibilities."

"We miss not having Mom at home when we return from school."

Complaints can be avoided when mothers communicate with children about routines and responsibilities, Welch says.

As children mature, they recognize the contribution they make to the balance of home and work life, the specialist says.

3) Mothers, assure your children of your primary interest in them. Children of working mothers need to know they still are a primary interest, Welch stresses.

demands are not all consuming of your time. In the work world, naturally, peak periods of job demands do occur. Children can accept these times better when job demands in general are not all-consuming of Mom's time, Welch says.

MOTHER, CHILD AFFECT EACH OTHER

Finally, there is a kind of cycle about mothers' and children's attitudes, Welch says.

"The better a Mom views her work, the better her children will feel about how that work personally affects them — and the more likely they are to think of Mom's job itself in favorable terms."

"The more favorable children are toward the mother's work, the more likely her own attitude will stay positive," she says.

HOME GROWN

STREAMWOOD, Ill. (AP) — Seventy-six percent of American households keep plants indoors, according to Garden Scene planterware.

Group therapy

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — In some group therapy the "group" can be as therapeutic as the treatment itself, a University of Rochester psychologist has found.

These findings came to light during a recent study by assistant professor Robert Neimeyer when he compared the effects of two relatively new treatment methods for depression.

Previous research by others had shown that both treatments are effective when clients are seen individually. But preliminary results suggest both types of treatment may have even better results when clients are seen in groups.

The reason: Since depressed people tend to isolate themselves from other people, the members become less withdrawn, Neimeyer noted.

Unstick a stuck wooden door

By **ANDY LANG**
AP Newsfeatures

Q. — The heavy wooden door at the entrance to my house is beginning to catch and drag at the top. I dread the idea of taking off the door and trying to plane some wood off the top edge. I remember doing that years ago and having a lot of trouble with the wood splintering. Is there some way to solve this problem without planing?

A. — Usually, a door that binds at the top can be fixed by doing a little work with the bottom hinge. First, see if the bottom hinge is loose. Even the tiniest movement of that hinge when opening or closing the door can cause the binding at the top. If you find such a movement or if one of the screws in the hinge leaf is loose, put a screwdriver or something similar under the

door while it is open. This will keep the door firm and even while you are working on it.

Take out the screws and put in slightly larger replacements. Should that not be workable, as when the holes in the hinge are not large enough, fill the holes in the wood with wood putty or plastic wood. When the filler hardens, replace the original screws and everything should be all right. However, if your testing discloses no trouble with the hinge screws, take out those in the jamb portion of the hinge. Insert a cardboard shim, the same size as the leaf, under the metal and reinsert the screws. If all else fails and you have to plane the door's top, there is no need to remove the door from its hinges. Instead, open the door and place a wedge under the bottom of it. Get on a proper support and do

the planing with a block plane. To prevent splintering, work from the end of the door toward the center.

Q. — A few weeks ago you had a story about using a hacksaw. I should have cut it out, but I didn't. What I want to know is whether the blade of a hacksaw cuts on the forward or the rear stroke?

A. — It cuts on the forward stroke. Therefore, as you draw the saw back, do not put any pressure on it.

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Astro-Graph
by bernice bede osol

You are likely to form partnership this coming year in areas where you have previously acted independently. It's possible that you might team up with several different people for several different purposes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There is a chance today that you may be tempted to do something against your better judgment. To ignore your own counsel might prove unwise. Predictions of what's in store for you in the seasons following your birth date and where to look for your luck and opportunities are in your Astro-Graph. Mail \$1 for each to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to specify birth date.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Strive to be industrious today, but don't attempt to take on things which exceed your limitations. Recall the straw that broke the camel's back!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Being your own person is admirable, but today all will go smoother for you if you abide by the will of the majority rather than oppose it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Family problems should be kept within the confines of the home today. If you permit outsiders to intervene, you may open up something you will regret.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22) Gauge your audience wisely today. Take care not to introduce into a conversation a topic about which you and another person hold firm and opposing views.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be a bit more careful than usual with your personal possessions today. Don't leave anything of value lying about which might tempt a taker.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You function best today if left to your own devices, so try to steer clear of persons who make demands of your time and who attempt to dictate your activities.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Difficult situations will be made harder today if your attitude is negative. Go in knowing that you can work things out, and you will.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Avoid groups or cliques today where you may have to deal with a member with whom you're not on the best of terms. A confrontation is possible.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This is not the day to challenge authority figures, especially those who have some influence over your career. You could come out a trifle bruised.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try not to let having the last word be too important today, particularly if it could jeopardize a relationship. You might win the battle but lose the war.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Unless you are on guard today, there's a possibility you might be maneuvered so as to be held accountable for another's mistakes.

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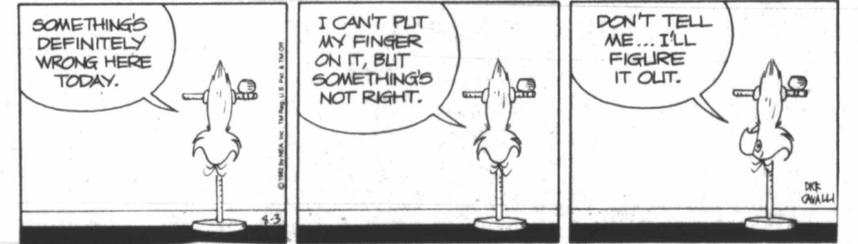
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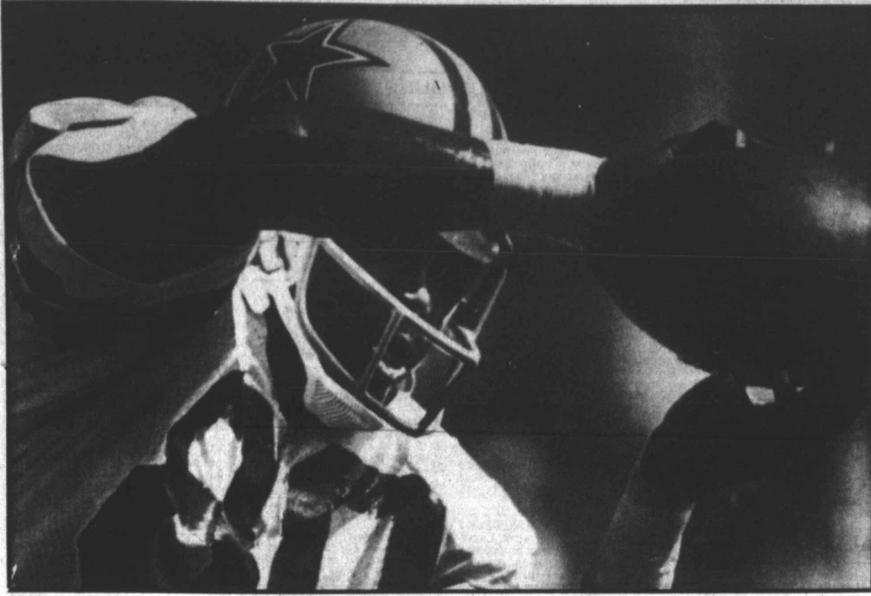


GARFIELD



By Jim Davis

Going to Work



Wide receiver Tony Hill of the Dallas Cowboys gets down to serious work during a practice session at the Cowboys' summer camp in Thousand Oaks, Calif. The

veterans have started two-a-day workouts in preparation for the upcoming football season. (AP Laserphoto)

Palmer wins state meet

Wendall Palmer, Pampa High boys' track coach, received four gold belt buckles after winning four events last weekend in a State Athletic Conference Masters Meet held last weekend in Dallas. Palmer won the shot (41-10), discus (157-10), javelin (119-0) and high jump (4-10) in qualifying for the National Masters meet Friday through Sunday in Wichita, Kans. Palmer competes in the 50-59 age group.

Indians scalp Rangers

CLEVELAND (AP) — Rick Sutcliffe is showing the kind of pitching form that won him Rookie of the Year honors in the National League a few years ago. But after his five-hit pitching led the Cleveland Indians to a 6-2 victory over the Texas Rangers on Monday night, Sutcliffe divulged that he's been getting some help from rookie catcher Chris Bando. "He's probably caught me the last five or six games," Sutcliffe said. "He's a really good thinker back there, and if I get the pitches where he wants them, we're OK." On this night, Sutcliffe was facing an unfamiliar team in the Rangers. Bando led the way for him. "Chris asked me before the game if I knew these guys. I told him no. So he said, 'Just stick with me,'" Sutcliffe said. Against the Rangers, Sutcliffe struck out seven and walked two while chalking up his third complete game. The Indians scored six times in the second inning. Shortstop Mike Fischlin's two-run single made the difference. He also turned in some fielding gems to earn Sutcliffe's praise. "Now that it's over, it looks like it was a pretty easy ballgame, but Fischlin made plays that kept us out of trouble," he said. Fischlin said the game was one of his better performances in the majors. "I was on the ball real good tonight and was swinging pretty well, even though I got only the one hit. This was one of my top games. I don't know if it's the best, but it certainly ranks up there." Texas took a 1-0 lead in the second. Jim Sundberg walked with one out, stole second and scored on George Wright's two-out single. Cleveland, however, came back in the bottom of the inning. The Indians got singles from Chris Bando and Rodney Craig to lead off the frame. Rick Manning's bunt forced Bando at third, but Carmen Castillo lined a double over third base to tie the score. Fischlin then lined his single to left to give Cleveland a 3-1 lead. He took third on a Larry Milbourne single and scored when Toby Harrah grounded out. Harrah scored on Mike Hargrove's double to left and Andre Thornton's run-scoring single capped the Indians scoring. Texas scored an unearned run in the fifth thanks to a Wright single that baffled right fielder Castillo. Wright scored from third on a sacrifice fly by designated hitter Mickey Rivers. Frank Tanana pitched his fourth complete game but took the loss and saw his record slip to 5-12. Sutcliffe, meanwhile, assumed the American League lead in earned run average. But Sutcliffe, acquired last winter from the Los Angeles Dodgers, shrugged the achievement off as "a personal statistic" that doesn't always benefit the team. Still, Sutcliffe, 34, with a 2.74 ERA, has meant plenty to an Indians team that has flirted with .500 for much of the season. Since May 7, Cleveland has won 15 of the 19 games in which he's pitched.

Empty Saddle Run set for Saturday

The fifth annual Empty Saddle 5000 meter run will be held in Dalhart on Saturday. The race will begin at 7 a.m. in front of the Dalhart High School Gym at Ninth and Maple and finish at the high school track. Medals will be awarded in the following age divisions: Men: 14 and under; 15 to 19; 20 to 29; 30-39; 40-49 and 50 and over; Women: 14 and under, 15 to 19, 20-29, and 30 and over. Registration blanks can be obtained from the Dalhart Chamber of Commerce. Entries will be accepted until 6:45 a.m. the day of the race. Bruce Washburn of Tucumcari, N.M. holds the course record with a 15:39 time.

Oilers' offense needs to improve

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) — The statistics tell the grisly truth and Houston Oiler offensive coordinator Jim Shofner didn't try to sweep them under a rug. "We were definitely too predictable last year," Shofner said as he pondered last year's 7-9 fizzle. "After the fourth game last year we felt we had to draw back and give the ball to Earl (Campbell). We decided we had one superstar so let's use him." It didn't work. The Oiler total offense ranked fourth in the National Football League in 1980 when Coach Bum Phillips took them to the playoffs for the third straight year. Last season, the rank dropped to 27th, a plunge aided largely by an unsettled quarterback situation. New Coach Ed Biles had gone to his first camp a year ago with grand plans to open up the Oiler offense. He would use a multiple scheme, give Campbell an occasional rest, get him into the passing patterns and expand on the passing game. It all started to come apart before camp even started when Ken Stabler announced his retirement. Shortly after training camp started, quarterback Gifford Nielsen departed for most of the season with a shoulder injury and Stabler tried to come to the rescue. "You hate to put it on one position (quarterback), but that's what it was," Shofner said. "Kenny came back and he was not in shape and because of that we went into the fourth game against the (New York) Jets in the I formation. We didn't line up in anything else for eight or nine games." Stabler has been waived to make room for promising rookies Oliver Luck of West Virginia and Ron Reeves of Texas Tech and Nielsen returned in the final three games last season to claim the starting job. Now Shofner is starting all over in training camp, putting in the offense he wanted to use a year ago. "But we're farther ahead than we were at this time last year because Gifford came back the last three games and proved he was ready to play," Shofner said. "This year we've got to stay on the field longer and we've got to convert more third downs." "Last year we seemed to always be in those obvious situations like third and three or third and four." The question that remains about Nielsen is his durability. He has never made it through a season uninjured. Shofner, former an assistant coach with the Cleveland Browns, says Nielsen could be like Browns quarterback Brian Sipe. "For three or four years he couldn't finish a season," Shofner said.

Dorsett plans for another All-Pro season despite problems at home

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Tony Dorsett's marriage is on the rocks, but he says he can handle the emotional strain and give the Dallas Cowboys another All-Pro year in 1982. His wife, Julie, filed for divorce in June, but the domestic problems haven't kept Dorsett from working perhaps even harder than he did prior to the 1981 season in which he gained 1,674 yards. "I've always been the type of guy that no matter what was happening on the outside I could keep it in perspective as for as my football was concerned," Dorsett said. "I'll be OK." Indeed, Dorsett reported to training camp heavier than he has ever been in his six-year National Football League career — 192 pounds. However, the weight is well distributed. "Coach (Al) Lavan looked at me and thought I weighed the same as I did last year (185) because the weight looked

good," Dorsett said. "It's amazing that I'm carrying that kind of weight and not feel sluggish." He said the additional weight is an experiment. "I used to think I was fat if I weighed 190 pounds," Dorsett said. "But I feel good ... I can still move. Maybe I can break more tackles and stay healthier." Dorsett has looked extremely fast in the early two-a-day Dallas practices. Watching from the sidelines, scout John Wooten watched a Dorsett explosion up the middle, shook his head and joked: "He'd really be great wouldn't he, if he just had some quickness." "I feel physically strong and mentally strong," said Dorsett, who finished just 28 yards behind New Orleans' George Rogers for the NFL rushing title. Dorsett said he still is having trouble getting over the one-point loss to the

NL roundup

Pirates down Cards in marathon game

By KEN RAPPOPORT AP Sports Writer Jim Kaat pitched as well as St. Louis Cardinal Manager Whitey Herzog could have expected — it was his hitting that left something to be desired. "It was his game to win," said Herzog, explaining why he left the 43-year-old pitcher in to bat two times with the bases loaded in extra innings against the Pittsburgh Pirates Monday night. Kaat failed to come through at the plate in the clutch situations, in the 12th and 16th innings, and it was one of the reasons the Cardinals lost to the Pirates 4-2 in 17 innings. The Pirates finally got to the crafty left-hander on Johnny Ray's two-run triple in the 17th, wrapping up a game that lasted nearly five hours. Pirates Manager Chuck Tanner refused to second-guess Herzog, labeling Kaat "a good hitter" and pointing out "he can swing the bat." Kaat wasn't surprised that Herzog sent him up to hit for himself. "Whitey just asked me how I felt. I felt good. I'm disappointed I didn't get the run home," Kaat said. Kaat was the fourth St. Louis pitcher and previously had pitched five hitless innings in his longest stint of the season. Dale Berra led off the 17th with a single, was sacrificed to second and stayed there when Omar Moreno walked. Ray's triple sailed over the bag at third base and caromed off the wall in left at Busch Stadium. The hit made a winner of Enrique Romo, who took over for Pittsburgh in the 15th inning and squeezed out of a bases-loaded, none-out St. Louis threat an inning later. The Cardinals stranded 24

baserunners, three shy of the National League record for an extra-inning game. The Pirates left 13 aboard for a two-team total of 37 in the four hour, 55-minute game. In other NL action, it was Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1; Houston 6, San Diego 4; Atlanta 7, San Francisco 3 and Cincinnati 5, Los Angeles 1. Phillies 2, Expos 1. Bo Diaz drove in both runs with his 17th home run and a sacrifice fly to lead Philadelphia over Montreal. Larry Christenson, 7-5, scattered eight hits over seven innings before leaving with a sore back and then got shutout relief help from Ron Reed and Tug McGraw, who posted his fifth save of the season. Christenson had back spasms and was carried out on a stretcher from the dugout. Bill Gullickson, 8-0, was the loser although he gave up just five hits. Astros 6, Padres 4. Jose Cruz's two-run double in the eighth inning keyed a five-run rally that lifted Houston over San Diego. Houston entered the eighth trailing 4-1, but Art Howe led off with a single and scored one out later on Dickie Thon's triple. Tony Sotolero drove in Thon with a single off reliever Gary Lucas, 0-8, and after Ray Knight singled, Cruz delivered his big double. Cruz, who went to third on the throw to the plate, scored on Danny Heep's sacrifice fly to make it 6-4. Joe Niekro, 11-7, allowed five hits over eight innings, striking out three and walking one. Dave Smith pitched the ninth to earn his eighth save. Braves 7, Giants 3. Atlanta reeled off five straight two-out RBI singles in the third inning, including one by pitcher Bob Walk, as

the Braves snapped a four-game losing streak by beating San Francisco. Rafael Ramirez started the five-run outburst with a single, stole second and stopped at third on Terry Harper's single. After Dale Murphy fanned for the second out, the Braves strung out their run-scoring singles by Bob Horner, Chris Chambliss, Biff Poceroba, Jerry Royster and Walk. Walk, 10-7, faced two batters in the eighth before being relieved by Steve Bedrosian, who recorded his seventh save. Walk yielded eight hits, walked six and fanned two. Reds 5, Dodgers 1. Mario Soto hurled a six-hitter and Mike Vail singled twice and drove in two runs to lift Cincinnati over Los Angeles, ending the Dodgers' four-game winning streak. Soto, 9-7, hurled his seventh complete game in 24 starts. The right-hander struck out 10 to boost his season total to 186 and regain the major league lead from Philadelphia's Steve Carlton, who has 178. It was the eighth time this season that Soto had reached double figures in strikeouts. Jerry Reuss, 10-9, was the loser.



Richard promoted to Triple A team

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — J.R. Richard, the 6-foot-8 right-hander, has completed a tour of duty with the Class A Daytona Beach Astros in his comeback from a life-threatening stroke two years ago. Richard, who compiled a 3-1 record in six appearances with Daytona Beach, gave up two runs in the second inning, one in the third and one in the eighth. He yielded 11 hits, walked two and struck out nine, while absorbing his first loss since launching his comeback June 28. Richard, who has been promoted to the Houston Astros' Triple A farm club in Tucson, Ariz., pitched nine innings Monday night in the

A crowd of 3,539 at City Island Stadium, where a banner was hung behind home plate saying, "Good Luck J.R. See You In The Dome," gave Richard a standing ovation when he struck out the final batter of the ninth inning. Officials said Richard was to leave Daytona Beach for Houston early today and will make his first start Aug. 7 at Tucson.

The largest crowd in American League history was the 66,288 turnout for a World Series game in Cleveland in 1948 between the Indians and the Boston Braves.

Cage clinic set for next week

Pampa High head basketball coach Garland Nichols is sponsoring a basketball clinic for youngsters 9 through 14 years of age Aug. 9-13 at the Pampa Youth Center. Youngsters will be able to swim for an hour after the daily two-hour session, which starts at 9 a.m. Each youngster should bring a jump rope. Interested youngsters may sign up for the camp at the youth center.

Football prospects can check out shoes

The Pampa High football fieldhouse will be open all day Wednesday for high school and ninth-grade football prospects to check out shoes. Three-day workouts begin Monday, Aug. 9. The Harvesters will put on full pads Aug. 13.

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Men's church league tourney re-scheduled for this week

The Men's Church League Slowpitch Softball Tournament, which was rained out last week, has been re-scheduled for Thursday through Sunday at Hobart Park. The tournament is a double-elimination event.

Lamar Patriots and Church of Christ One were the division winners during the regular season.

First-round action starts at 6:30 p.m. Thursday with Central Baptist meeting Lamar Angels and First Baptist Youth meeting First Christian Two.

Calvary Baptist meets First Assembly Youth and Lamar New Life goes against St. Vincent's Youth at 7:30 p.m.

At 8:30 p.m., First Church of the Nazarene tangles with First Baptist Men and Church of Christ One meets Lamar Eagles. At 9:30 p.m., Church of Christ Two meets First

Christian One and First Presbyterian meets St. Matthews. At 10:30 p.m., First Methodist meets the Central Baptist-Lamar Angels winner and First Assembly Men meets the Calvary Baptist-First Assembly Youth winner.

At 6:30 p.m. Friday night, Calvary Assembly meets the Lamar New Life-St. Vincent's Youth winner and St. Vincent's Men meets the First Baptist Youth-First Christian Two winner.

Play starts at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the loser's bracket while the unbeaten teams begin second-round action at 11:30 p.m. Friday.

Games start at 11 a.m. Saturday and run through 10 p.m.

The final round of action begins at 2 p.m. Sunday while the championship game is scheduled for 4 p.m.

AL roundup

Henderson ties own record

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

Rickey Henderson's penchant for thievery has rubbed off on his Oakland teammates, who stole a victory from Seattle. The Minnesota Twins didn't have that kind of lead to follow, yet they pulled off the same kind of heroics against California.

Henderson, baseball's premier base-stealer, notched No. 100 in Game 105, tying his own American League record, set in 1980, as the A's came from behind for a 6-5 decision over the Mariners Monday night. He is on course to break Lou Brock's major-league mark of 118 steals, set in 1974, when Brock had only 75 through 105 games.

"That's the greatest part, when you can tie or break a record in a game you win," said Henderson, who got his 100th in a four-run seventh-inning rally. "I think I'll be able to relax for the next 15 or 16."

Oakland trailed 5-0 as Matt Keough, who won for the first time at home after eight losses in a row, allowed a

two-run double by Bruce Bochte and a two-run homer by Al Cowens.

The winning run, breaking a 5-5 tie, came when Henderson scored from third on a squeeze bunt by Dan Meyer. Gaylord Perry, who was after his 305th major-league victory, and three relief pitchers worked for Seattle in the seventh and the loss went to Mike Stanton, 1-3.

The Twins scored three times in the seventh, liked it so much that they did it again in the eighth and then the ninth to overtake the Angels 9-7. The loss dropped California .002 behind Kansas City in the AL West as the Royals edged Detroit 6-5 in 10 innings.

Elsewhere, it was Cleveland 6, Texas 2; Boston 5, Baltimore 2; and Toronto 9, Milwaukee 4.

Twins 9, Angels 7
Ron Washington's two-run single in the ninth capped the Twins rally.

Gary Ward's three-run homer had brought Minnesota within 7-6 in the eighth. Tim Lardner walked

to lead off the ninth and Randy Johnson doubled off reliever Luis Sanchez. With one out, Bobby Mitchell drew an intentional walk and Washington singled in two runs. Tom Brunansky then doubled home an insurance run.

Doug DeCinces ignited a four-run rally in the sixth with his fourth homer in five games for California. Teammate Fred Lynn also homered.

Blue Jays 9, Brewers 4
Alfredo Griffin, who hit safely in 18 of 22 games and batted .321 last month, stroked a pair of doubles, drove in three runs and scored twice to continue his hot batting.

Buck Martinez and Damaso Garcia also drove in two runs apiece for Toronto and Dave Steb won his 11th game.

Red Sox 5, Orioles 2
John Tudor won for the first time in six weeks as Boston handed Baltimore its fifth consecutive defeat.

Major League standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
EASTERN DIVISION			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Boston	59	44	.572
Milwaukee	59	41	.590
Baltimore	54	46	.540
New York	50	48	.510
Cleveland	51	50	.505
Detroit	51	50	.505
Toronto	51	50	.505
WESTERN DIVISION			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Kansas City	56	44	.560
California	56	44	.560
Chicago	52	49	.515
Seattle	52	52	.500
Oakland	51	53	.491
Texas	49	60	.447
Minnesota	39	69	.361

Public Notices

BUDGET HEARING
The Lefors I.S.D. Board of Trustees will meet Thursday, August 12, 1982 in the Lefors High School, at 7:00 p.m., for the purpose of conducting a hearing for the 1982-83 school budget. All persons interested in said budget are invited to attend.

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Single funeral for 44 children killed in French bus wreck

CREPY-EN-VALOIS, France (AP) — President Francois Mitterrand and Premier Pierre Mauroy lead the mourners today at the funeral of 44 children killed in the fiery bus wreck last weekend. But "their presence will not bring back the children," said the mother of four of the victims, her face swollen by tears and sleepless nights.

A fifth child of Monique and Jacy Syx, 13-year-old Eric, returned to his parents' arms at twilight Monday outside their rundown home in a housing project in this ancient town 40 miles north of Paris.

The bodies of his four younger brothers and sisters

— Christian, 12; Valerie, 11; Patrick, 10, and Natalie, 9 — were with those of the other dead in plain pine coffins in a nearby gymnasium. Only six were identified, and the Syx children were not among them.

The Syxes were among 107 underprivileged children, 6 to 15 years old, from Crepy-en-Valois and five surrounding communities who boarded two buses Friday night for a summer camp in the Alps.

Some six hours later, a West German tour bus braked suddenly on a rain-slicked highway 200 miles south of Paris, setting off a chain-reaction collision in which the two camp-bound

buses and seven other vehicles piled up. Fifty-three people were killed, including 44 children, two camp counselors and the two drivers aboard one of the camp buses.

That bus exploded, but another counselor and 15 children escaped through a rear emergency exit. The second camp bus caught fire, but no one aboard was hurt.

"I saw them all die, my brothers, my sisters, everybody," said Eric, sitting in his mother's lap in their small living room crowded with mourners, pictures of the children and religious statues.

"We were sleeping and suddenly there was a loud

boom and there was fire all around us.

"Valerie and Patrick and Christian were in the front of the bus and couldn't get out. There was a fire in the middle of the aisle.

"I was in the back of the bus and passed by little Natalie. She was on the floor behind me and I could not get her up and everyone was pushing and they were saying, 'Save yourself, move now, get off this bus.'

"I brought this home for you," Eric added to an older sister and handed her an electronic game he had given after the accident.

To the rest of the room he offered chewing gum and chocolate and told of his first airplane trip. He and the other survivors had been flown to Paris Monday from the summer camp where they were taken after the wreck.

His mother kissed his blond hair and asked if he would feel uncomfortable in the house where only three days before he had been playing with his brothers and sisters.

Watermelon man



Jimmy Drum, a Memphis, Tenn., truck driver helps load 3,500 pounds of watermelons aboard an airplane cargo bin Monday for shipment to Alaska. The watermelons are bound for Tok, a small village 250 miles northeast of Anchorage, and will be used for a watermelon festival this weekend. Drum is spending \$4,500 to buy the

watermelons and have them shipped to the Alaskan village because he was unable to find watermelons in Alaska on previous visits, explaining "Everyone is entitled to one stupid fling in his lifetime." Tok was the only village to respond to his newspaper advertisement for a community of less than 1,200 willing to stage a Watermelon Festival. (AP Laserphoto)

Stockman trying to sway Congress on budget forecast

WASHINGTON (AP) — Budget Director David Stockman is trying to persuade Congress to have faith in the president's optimistic economic forecast, which even some administration officials are doubting.

Stockman was to testify today before the Senate Budget Committee where Democrats are certain to express disbelief about President Reagan's upbeat review and Republicans are likely to do so.

The economic report, made public on Friday, forecasts a "significant economic recovery" in the second half of the year, and a 1983 budget deficit of \$115 billion.

Other analysts, including the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office, say a recovery of the strength Reagan is predicting is far from certain. CBO also says red ink will probably be much higher than the administration is predicting, between \$141 billion and \$151 billion for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

Even administration officials have expressed reservations about the predictions their president issued.

One told reporters late last week that the

economy is in a "twilight zone," and while a recovery is possible, it is not certain.

This aide also said the administration's predicted deficit is probably too low.

"I think it's low. I think it's probably going to be considerably higher... (But) I don't see it getting worse than what CBO is projecting," he said.

When the report was released, some of the administration's senior economic policy-makers established their distance from it, both physically and verbally.

Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan, for one, did not attend the news conference where the report was released. "I may be dumb, but I'm not stupid. I had to take care of my own priorities," he said as he went to another meeting.

Democrats on the Budget Committee are unlikely to be persuaded by Stockman's arguments.

Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., said shortly after the report was issued that it was "political nonsense." Reagan, he declared, loses "credibility" by issuing economic forecasts that are overly optimistic.

Nation may soon see if assumptions myth or fact

NEW YORK (AP) — Should interest rates continue to fall, we may see before this year is out whether some long-held assumptions are myth or fact.

That sales of houses, automobiles, and big-ticket appliances will rise quickly, for example, and that corporations will begin to add rather than subtract from capital spending plans.

That the dollar will hold its value relative to other currencies without the added attraction of high interest rates. And that inflation will continue to cool for a while rather than heat up again.

And more: That stock and bond prices will rise, that consumer and business confidence will improve, and that unemployment will begin a slow descent from the highest levels in four decades.

Such assumptions are the base on which economic forecasts have been built, and now, if interest rates fall for several months in a row, these forecasts may be revealed for what they are.

And with them, it would seem, the forecasting reputation of prominent individuals, such as Ronald Reagan, U.S. president, Lee Iacocca, Chrysler chairman, and Jack Carlson, executive vice president of the National Association of Realtors, the nation's biggest business group.

A weak recovery won't count, simply because the economy has almost nowhere to go but up, as any of these three gentlemen might agree. A significant gain, it seems safe to say, would be a moderate economic

expansion of about 4.5 percent in the second half of the year.

The assumptions won't be tested either if the interest rate decline is only short-lived, as it very well could be. The market is nervous; even as the Fed lowered the discount rate to 11.5 percent on July 30 some financial critics warned of a potential tightening in October.

One of the biggest tests could be of the widespread assertion that interest rates cannot fall and the economy cannot recover moderately unless federal budget deficits are sharply reduced.

Increasingly, that belief is being challenged. A \$130 billion deficit — higher than administration estimates, lower than the Congressional budget office figure — amounts to 4 percent of gross national product.

That percentage is nearly the same as in 1976, when the economy was still emerging from the deep 1974-1975 recession. "By that measure, allowing for the stage of the cycle," says Citibank, "the prospective deficit is not nearly so alarming."

As most people are aware, the economy did rebound from that deep mid-decade recession, deficits or not. But there are critics who also point out that the uneven recovery set the stage for future declines.

If interest rates continue to fall — and some market analysts are on record as saying the prime might even dip to 10 percent this year — the country will have a fair idea of whether Reaganomics can succeed.

Interest rates down, construction up

By LORRAINE CICHOWSKI
AP Business Writer

Banks nationwide dropped their prime rates to 15 percent and the stock market reacted enthusiastically, with the Dow Jones industrial average gaining 13.51 points for its best rally in four months.

Also on Monday, new Commerce Department figures showed construction nationwide was up slightly in June, but orders for new factory goods were down again.

The 15 percent prime rate took hold at virtually all the nation's major banks Monday, the third half-percentage point decline in two weeks.

In response, the Dow Jones industrial average rose to 822.11. And yields on three-month treasury bills at the weekly auction fell below 10 percent, indicating more softening of interest rates.

"I see a further edging down of interest rates, but not a plunge," said Sandra Shaber, a senior economist at Chase Econometrics Associates, after the banks lowered their primes, the base rates used to calculate interest on loans to the best corporate customers.

Other economists have predicted a sharp climb in short-term interest rates by year's end and a return to record highs for long-term rates.

The drop in the prime follows the Federal Reserve Bank's decision last week to lower its discount rate to banks. With the banks paying less for funds, they are able to charge their borrowers less.

The Commerce Department said U.S. builders increased the pace of new construction by 1.3 percent in June, the fourth monthly gain. Home building fell 1.1 percent, but jumps in building of industrial plants and commercial offices offset the decline.

Commerce also announced

new orders for manufactured goods declined 0.3 percent in June. New factory orders, which can indicate how well manufacturers are likely to be doing in coming months, rose 1 percent in May after falling 1 percent in April.

Government officials and private analysts said orders could improve later this summer because of the falling short-term interest rates.

One struggling company, International Harvester Co., was promised \$1 million in state aid Monday by Illinois, and some local officials said they would try to raise another \$6 million for the farm-machinery maker through bond sales.

Meanwhile, Harvester, which is expecting losses of \$1 billion this year, said it will make more in its workforce.

Two bodies found floating in river

EASTON, Texas (AP) — Authorities say they don't know the motive for the slayings of two unidentified Mexican men found floating face down in the Sabine River after being blasted with a shotgun.

The men were found clothed, but with no money or identification, said Capt. Dick Headen of the Gregg County sheriff's department.

Results of autopsies showed the men each had been shot twice in the face and chest with a shotgun, and had been in the water about one day, Headen said Monday.

The bodies were discovered late Sunday night after being spotted by two canoeists.

—Steel production fell 3.4 percent in the week ended July 31 to 1.248 million tons, the American Iron and Steel Institute said. The trade group said production so far this year used 53.9 percent of capacity compared with 83.6 percent in the period a year ago.

—The Conference Board said foreign companies have sharply cut their manufacturing investments in the United States because of the sluggish U.S. economy.

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