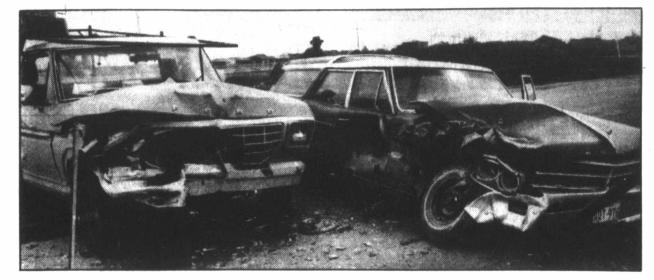
Will the Harvesters avenge themselves against the Bulldogs? Basketball battle of the year tonight Pampa plans to even the score. Story on page 10



# Two escape injury in construction zone car crash near hospital



#### By JULIA CLARK Staff Writer

Two people escaped serious injury Wednesday afternoon when their vehicles slammed into each other in a construction zone near Coronado Community Hospital.

Witnesses said only one lane of the highway was open at the time of the accident, the other having mounds of dirt piled on it.

Police said at 1:58 p.m. a 1968 Buick driven by Myrtle Randall Roe of Pampa and a '78 Ford pickup driven by Dorman Ray White of Amarillo collided at 2900 Perryton Parkway. White reportedly was driving south on Highway 70 into Pampa when Roe reportedly pulled out of the hospital parking lot in front of him. Roe was ticketed for failure to yield the right of way. Although injuries were reported to the

The wreckage of a car and truck partially block the roadway after colliding in a construction zone. (Staff photo by Bruce Lee Smith) investigating officer, no one involved in the accident went to the emergency room for treatment.

The accident occurred 100 feet south of the intersection of Duncan and Highway 70 at the entrance to Coronado Community Hospital. According to witnesses on the scene, dirt was piled on the east lane of the roadway from Duncan almost to Northgate Inn, making the roadway about one and a half lanes wide in that area.

Because the dirt was there only temporarily, cones were placed on the street marking the roadway and warning drivers of the narrowing street, said Jerry L. Raines, engineer for the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation. Construction Department.

He said no flagmen were needed because warning and speed zone signs were already in place, so drivers should be aware of the hazardous conditions.

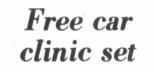
"If the roadway is open and no lanes are blocked or no equipment is crossing the roadway, no flagmen are needed, said Raines. Authorities investigating the accident said it was unrelated to the road construction. They said Roe allegedly was not watching for other traffic when she pulled onto the roadway.

Man still alive after plane crash kills parents

#### By LORI ANN D ANTONIO Staff Writer

**BORGER** - Phillip Schroeder, 22, of Borger is still in critical condition this morning in St. Anthony's Hospital. Amarillo, but his condition has improved some since he was injured in the crash of a small private plane which killed his parents.

The crash occurred near the Hutchinson County Airport about 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, authorities said.



**Do you know how to change a tire?** What does that funny squeak mean? "He's improved a bit, he's a little more alert and can move his extremities a bit," a spokesman for the hospital said this morning. Schroeder is reported to have head injuries and multiple fractures.

Schroeder and his parents, Billy Joe and Frances Ward Schroeder were on their way to Greesnboro, N.C. to attend the wedding of Schroeder's sister, Mary Frances Schroeder. Billy Joe Schroeder, 59, was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Nadean Spinks, acting as coroner. Spinks also ordered an autopsy. Frances and Phillip Schroeder were transported to St. Anthony's Hospital from North Plains Hospital in Borger.

Frances Schroeder. 59. died in St. Anthony's Hospital about 5:30 p.m. of internal injuries, according to a hospital spokesman. Funeral arrangements for the couple are pending with the Alexander Funeral Home in Borger. No services are scheduled, but a funeral home spokesman said Mary Frances Schroeder will arrive in Borger today to make arrangements.

The Cessna Cardinal C-177 single-engine plane Billy Joe

Schroeder was piloting stalled shortly after takeoff, according to witnesses. The plane veered into an embankment and skidded into a dumpground east of the airport. The Schroeders lived at 116 Wilshire in Borger. Billy Joe was an engineer employed by Phillips Petroleum Co.

The crash occurred at a point between the airport and Patton Road, and witnesses said the plane was taking off on south runway 17 when the engine apparently stalled just as the craft left the ground and was starting to circle south. Debris was scattered along the embankment.



These and more questions about the inner runnings of a car will be answered at a free car clinic being held at 120 N. Gray (the Firestone store) on March 21 and 22 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Bobby Owens, assistant manager of the Firestone store, will conduct two classes on the basic parts and repairs of **qars**. He said different material will be covered each night, so it will be a good idea to attend both nights.

He will tell the people who attend the classes about such things as fuel economy, preventive maintenence. oil changes and how to change flat tires.

The goal of his clinic is to inform women and men about caring for their cars and how to get the best buy for their dollar in repairs.

After classroom instruction, the lattices will go into the shop where Owens will show them what a car looks like under the hood, and point out the basic parts. So, he said dress casually.

Anyone interested in attending should preregister by calling Bobby Owens at 665 - 8419. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

# Weather

Partly cloudy and mild with a chance of showers through Friday. High today low 70s. Low tonight upper 30s. High Friday mid 60s. Winds today southwest 20 to 25 mph and gusty. Wind warnings on area lakes through Friday.

# to leave Lefors due to new law

#### By LORI-ANN D'ANTONIO Staff Writer

LEFORS - Things haven't been all that happy around the Gifford household this winter. First, the family dog, Hobo, froze to death. Then the only remaining pet. Midnight the horse, received her walking papers from the city council, and may have to be shot.

Midnight is not only the last animal in the Gifford family. but the only horse in Lefors without a place to go.

Midnight's walking papers came along with all other animals in this small city when the council decided all four-footed creatures except dogs and cats will have to be out of town by April 1. Most residents of the city have complied with the new law, enacted at the January city council meeting.

The ordinance bans keeping livestock, horses, rabbits, chickens and goats inside the city limits, and specifies how far from homes and property lines animals must be kept.

But some residents still have animals within the city limits and have no conceivable way to get rid of them. Nita Gifford lives in town and bought her filly. Midnight, about eight months ago. Midnight is almost two years old, and Nita is trying to get her used to people and possibly get her ready to be broken to ride. But Midnight will have to leave her new home soon because of the new ordinance.

"If they got rid of the dogs in town we'd be better off There are more dogs in town than horses, and they run around loose," Mary Ann Gifford said.

Midnight has an open space to run in and a barn to stay in where she is now, but the Giffords say they'll have to either sell her or shoot her to comply with the ordinance, because they can't afford to board her anywhere.

The ordinance was enacted because some residents complained that animals smell bad and bring in hordes of flies in the summer.

Sherry Roberts, another resident of Lefors who doesn't keep animals herself agrees with the Giffords about dogs being worse for the town than larger animals, but she also says the animals stink in the summer, especially if people don't care for them properly.

But children still will be able to ride horses through town. which some of them do on a regular basis, and Lefors Mayor Ben White said there may not be a way to keep them out of town altogether.

White says he can't do anything about animals outside the city limits. The city council can only make laws that govern what goes on inside the city. He also said the city council can't keep people from riding horses through the city.

"The only thing we like to ask people to do is not ride the horses across people's yards."

White also said only the state health department or possibly the county can govern what goes on outside the city limits. In addition, he said the city council is working on a plan for controlling the dogs in town.

County Judge Carl Kennedy, who presides over the Gray County Commissioners' Court, said the county has no ordinance-making power, so it couldn't ban animals from the part of the county outside the city limits of Lefors. If the animals presented a health hazard, the state department of health could step in, he said.

"It's agricultural land, if people want to keep animals that's their prerogative," he said of animals kept on the land outside the city limits.

Two other families have found solutions to their problems with animals. Robyn Colemen said her family's horses will move to a location "pretty close" to the edge of town.

"We're fixin' to move 'em out," she said Wednesday. Candi Ashford said her family sold their horse to comply with the new rule.



Job Hunter

# Murder victim was from Pampa

#### By JEFF LANGLEY Senior Writer

KELTON - The man found shot to death and buried in a shallow grave behind a Wheeler County farmhouse near this tiny community Wednesday was a Pampa native and may have been executed because of his association with an Oklahoma drug ring. according to Texas and Oklahoma authorities. The victim, Robert Eugene Hall, 28, of Sayre, Gkla., was shot four times with a large - caliber weapon at extremely close range. an autopsy erformed in Shamrock revealed. Pathologist Dr. Ralph Erdmann of Childress said the victim had been dead at least six days. but not more than eight days. He said all bullets passed through the victim's head and exited through his face. None of the bullets were recovered from the victim, who had also been choked, according to the autopsy

report. Hall's decomposing body was found buried under about six inches of dirt by Wheeler County deputies about midnight Wednesday. Sheriff Doyle Ramsey said a shallow ditch for a water line had recently been dug behind the house. Ramsey said sometime after his execution. Hall was dumped in the shallow ditch at the isolated farmhouse and covered.

The man living at the house, Michael D. Anderson, 26, was charged with Hall's murder by a Texas warrant issued by District Attorney Guy Hardin.

Anderson surrendered to police in Lake Charles, La. about 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Ramsey said. The sheriff said the murder suspect has waived extradition, but it was unclear this morning if Anderson will be returned to Texas or to the Oklahoma authorities.

Hardin said statements given by witnesses to Hall's execution - style slaying indicate the victim was murdered just north of Sayre, Okla. and later buried in the Wheeler County grave. The local district attorney said if the murder occurred in Oklahoma, the case will be prosecuted by those authorities.

Wheeler officers were given the information about where to find the body about 10:30 p.m. Tuesday by Oklahoma authorities.

Hall and his ex - wife, Donna Gail Hall, were

living in Sayre at the time of the killing. Donna Hall was scheduled as a prosecution witness in a pending drug case in Beckham County. Okla.

Beckham County officers reported Donna Hall called them and said she and another person witnessed Robert Hall's murder. She told officers she and her ex - husband were kidnapped from their Sayre home February 22. She said they were driven just north of town where Hall was executed. Donna Hall said the victim was then placed into the trunk of a car for transport to the Wheeler County burial site.

Hardin said Donna Hall asked to be placed into protective custody in Houston, the city from where she phoned officers about the murder.

Oklahoma officers believe Hall's death may be related to three previous drug - related murders in Beckham County in the past two years.

Hall's ex - wife and three previous murder victims were scheduled to testify against an Oklahoma drug suspect, authorities reported. Hardin said the male drug suspect is charged with the sale of methamphetamine (speed). Kenny Mackey has been from his native Missouri to California looking for a job, and ended up here in Pampa four months ago because his wife's brother lives here and said Kenny and his wife and child could stay with him for a while.

After four months, Kenny has not found work, although his wife has found a part-time job here. Kenny has four years experience welding, and has also done dishes, painted, been a laborer and done odd jobs.

He's also torn down houses and done some road construction. He'll work at anything that's available, and he's willing to learn any job. Kenny says he'll work part-time or relocate for a job, because his wife's salary can't support the family. They've been looking for a place to live, but haven't found anything yet.

To interview Kenny Mackey, call Charles Vance at the Texas



Employment Commission, Coronado Center, at 665-0938.



### services tomorrow

HEATON, Pauline - 2 p.m., Hersman Chapel, Waggoner, Okla.

### obituaries

Funeral Directors

#### MAXIMINA LOPEZ

Juanita Garcia, Pampa CANADIAN - Services for Maximina Lopez, 83, will be at Mette Standish, Alanreed 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Effie Crow, Pampa Burial will be in Canadian Cemetery by Stickley - Hill Clara Belcher, Pampa Jewel Hawkins, Pampa

Mrs. Lopez died Monday in Las Vegas. Nev.

She had lived in Canadian since 1916.

Survivors include three sons, Mike Lopez of Dumas, Y.C. Lopez of Canadian and Pedro Lopez of Van Nuys, Calif; two daughters. Lucy Williams of Midland and Josephine Murrah of Las Vegas: 17 grandchildren and 22 great - grandchildren. **PAULINE HEATON** 

TULSA, Okla. - Pauline Heaton, 63, a former Skellytown resident, died Tuesday in St. Francis Hospital, Tulsa,

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Hersman Chapel in Wagoner, Okla. with the Rev. G. Ringe Nease of the Wagoner United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemnetery, Wagoner, by the Hersman Funeral Home

Mrs. Heaton was born July 20, 1919 in Shamrock and was Educated in Shidler, Okla.. She married R.C. Heaton on Aug. 11. 1940 in Shidler, and moved to Texas in 1948. She lived in Skellytown until 1981 when she moved back to Shidler. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Rebekah Lodge in Pampa

Survivors include her husband of the home; two sons, Robert Allen Heaton of Dallas and David Lee Heaton of Prague, Okla.; one daughter, Beverly Sue Higgins of city briefs Columbus, Ohio; four brothers, and seven grandchildren.

## stock market

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## minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following minor traffic accidents to The Pampa News: WEDNESDAY, March 2

1:58 p.m. - A '66 Buick driven by Myrtle Randall Roe, 51, of 1119 E. Kingsmill and a '78 Ford pickup driven Dorman Ray White, 27, of Amarillo, were in collision in the 2900 block of Perryton Parkway. Roe was cited for failure to yield the right of way. Injuries were reported.

## school menu

FRIDAY

Corn chip pie, lettuce salad, pickle chips, apple burrito,

# Senior citizen menu

FRIDAY

# hospital notes

**CORONADO** 

COMMUNITY

Admissions

Randy Edmondson,

Ralph Alexander, Lefors

Willia McDaniels.

Wanda Kuykendall,

Trent Watson, Pampa

Annice Watt, Pampa

Homer Taylor, Pampa

Cela Roachelle, Pampa

Laura Jernigan, Pampa

Donna Hoggatt, Pampa

F.P. Hayes, White Deer

Vonda Rima and infant,

Dismissals

Dee Ann West, White

Johnnie Marx, Pampa

Jaye Smith. Pampa

Arlie Davis, Pampa

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Sanford

47 26-5 30 28-5 58-4

Elizabeth Harrison and infant, Pampa Erma Hale, Panhandle John Throckmorton, Johnny Furgason,

Skellytown Effie Everett, McLean Lavelda Tingleff, Pampa George Etheredge. Pampa Charles Elsheimer,

Pampa Bobbie Ehmann, Miami Ralph Cuevas, Pampa Marcia Cooper, Pampa

Linda Cool, McLean Janis Cates, Pampa Debbie Caldwell and

infant. Pampa SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions

Granville Lloyd, Shamrock

Oscar Sloss, Shamrock Dismissals Teresa Cummins and

infant, Erick, Okla, Angela Atherton. Wheeler

Maggie Angton, Shamrock

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## police report

Riding Club "Open Play

and waterbeds. too.

Pampa police reported the following incidents for the 24 hour period ending at 7 a.m. Wednesday. The police department received a total of 38 calls for the period.

shoplifting. Estimated value \$129.

motor vehicle. Estimated loss \$225.

at 1113 E. Darby. Estimated loss less than \$5.

in empty lots in the 700 block of E. Albert. Estimated damage \$800.

mischief. Estimated damage \$30.

## **Calendar** of events

Members of the Pampa Book Club plan to discuss John Jake's "North and South", at their 10 a.m. Friday meeting in the First United Metho list Church basement classroom Visitors are welcome

## fire report

#### Arena, 21/2 miles West on THE WATER Bedroom. Hwy. 152. Books open at Inc. is open in Coronado noon Center. Quality furnishings Adv FOUR BEDROOM, 11/2 Adv bath house for rent. Fenced SOUTHERN SKIES

# Day" March 6. Taylor's

Alco Department Store at Coronado Center reported

Handy Hammer at 822 E. Foster reported a theft from a

Leon Greene of 2424 Cherokee reported criminal mischief

Kenneth Banks of 739 E. Albert reported criminal mischief

Jerry Don Potter of 424 N. Davis reported criminal

#### **PAMPA BOOK CLUB**

their personal property (tools. inventory, etc.) to the district for taxing purposes. If businesses and other people who use personal property to generate income don't submit estimates to the district, then the district will have to place a value on the property, which may be much higher than its actual value, or the value the owner would have placed on it. out forms to area businesses, and he urges them to return the forms by April 1.

businessmen who use a truck. for instance. for their business need to render the truck. A mechanic, welder or plumber needs to render all his tools. vehicle and equipment if they

District taxpayers have special qualifications and must be filed for by April 30. Exemptions are not automatic, they must be applied for, according to Buzzard.

School districts offer a homestead exemption to

# Annual stock show starts next week **By JULIA CLARK**

**Staff Writer** 

The annual Top O' Texas Stock Show will be held in Pampa March 12 - 16, 1983 at the show barns in Recreation Park. Activity will get underway on Saturday. March 12. at 1 p.m. with the Gray County Junior Livestock Show. hv the Pampa Noon Lions Club with Dr. M. W

E.L. (Smiley) Henderson of Pampa has announced his candidacy for the Ward 3 seat on the Pampa City

Henderson is a chartered life underwriter (CLU) with Equitable Life Assurance of Pampa, where he has worked for 25 years. He has lived in Pampa since 1932, and he and his wife Betty have raised four children who were all educated

procedures for the next two years for the city of Pampa. He feels that serving on the city commission will give more .

secretary-treasurer and manager for Pampa National Farm Loan Associtation. He was also deputy tax assessor and collector for Gray County from 1938-1941, and Pampa city

of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce in 1958. He is an elder in the First Presbyterian Church in Pampa and has been chairman of the Frank M. Carter Scholarships Awards

committee for Pampa Public Schools Division of . Educational Services, Occupational Education, and was instrumental in establishing the area vocational-technical.

He is also past president of the Pampa Kiwanis Club and a current member of the Pampa Environmental Beautification Board of Trustees. He has also worked with the Committee for American Field Service.



# Four exemptions due landowners homeowners and mobile home owners of \$5,000 off the

that all businesses and others who use property to produce income in the county must render (give an estimate of its

The Gray County Tax Appraisal District has announced market value of their residences. but owners must apply for the exemption through the district office. An additional \$10,000 may be subtracted from the market value) it to the appraisal district by April 30, 1983. value of a home or mobile home if the homeowner is over 65

In addition, the district would like to remind taxpayers of four exemptions that may be available to taxpayers of all

All retail businesses must submit estimates of the worth of Chief Appraiser Charles Buzzard said the district has sent

Other people who need to render property include small are used for earning money.

Anyone who is not sure what must be rendered may call the district office at 665-0791.

The four exemptions offered to Gray County Appraisal

Winners will be announced and awards made at an awards . luncheon beginning at 1 p.m. Tuesday, in the First United Methodist Church basement in Pampa with Elvin Carroway. former Frank M. Carter Scholarship recipient, as speaker.

The Frank M. Carter Scholarship Award of \$500 to Texas-Tech University School of Agriculture will also be presented \* to the outstanding F.F.A. student from Area I. The winner will be selected a nanel of three who will evaluate t

Henderson: chance to determine policies for the city of Pampa

Commission

in Pampa schools.

He says he is running for office "to determine policies and

of a chance to participate in government than just voting.

Before working for Equitable Life, he was secretary from 1944-'45.

He is active in insurance organizations. and was president Committee for FFA Livestock Judging since 1955.

He formerly served as chairman of the advisory school, PISD, in 1973.

years old. The taxes on the home may not increase above the

tax owed in 1979 or the first year the homeowner qualified for

will not increase unless the senior citizen makes

improvements to the home.

exemption or the other.

to get one for this tax year.

the exemption, whichever is later. Taxes on the residence -

If a homeowner is disabled, \$10,000 may be subtracted

from the home's market value, but no homeowner who takes

the senior citizen exemption may take the disabled person's

exemption as well. Taxpayers may only apply for one

rendering the value of land owned based on the productivity

of the land, not on its market value. This allows farmers and .

Grandview-Hopkins have been well below market in the

past." Buzzard said. "The district will place new values on

He stresses that anyone who thinks he qualifies for any of

these exemptions should call the district office at 665-0791 or

stop in at the district's office in the Hughes Building. Suite

196-A. and inquire about how to qualify and apply for one.

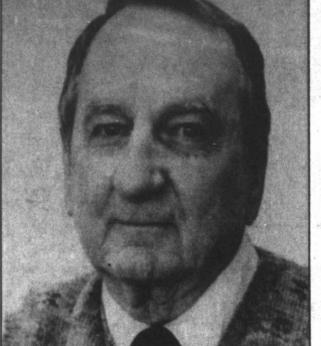
Anyone who does not apply for one by April 30 will not be able.

the land in these areas and they may rise considerably.

"The values of McLean. Lefors. Alanreed and

ranchers who qualify to save money on their taxes.

A fourth exemption available for farmers and ranchers is



Meat loaf or fried cod fish, french fries, scalloped tomatoes, lima beans, toss or jello salad, butterscotch pudding or fruit & cookies

The Pampa Fire Department received no calls during the 24 - hour period ending at 7 a.m. Thursday

# Going up...



Construction has started on the site where the former Salvation Army building burned last September. Otis Nace of New York Life Insurance, Ruth Osborne of R.O. **Business Service, and the Oil and Gas Reporting Service**  plan to move into the first three offices of seven to be built. Once those three businesses move, the offices where they are presently located will be demolished and four new offices will be built where the smoke-damaged offices now stand. (Staff photo by Bruce Lee Smith)

Horne as show superintendent

Deadline for weighing in lambs is 10 a.m. Sunday. All other livestock must be weighed in by noon. There will be 81 steers. 281 barrows and 235 lambs entered this year

Ken Cook of San Angelo. Texas, will judge the lamb division, beginning at 5 p.m. Sunday.

The steer and swine divisions will be judged Monday. The steers will be judged by Ken Cook beginning at 8 a.m. Swine judging will begin immediately following the steers and will be judged by Stanley Young of Tahoka, Texas.

Approximately 40 F.F.A. Livestock Judging Teams from Area I will compete for honors on Tuesday, March 15th, with registration scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m. in the stock show sales arena. Rex McAnelly will be contest superintendent and Dr. Ted Montgomery and Gary Reynolds of West Texas State University will be the official contest judges.

applications and interview the students.

The Hereford Breeders Association's Annual Banquet and Dance will be held Monday. March 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Starlight Room of the Coronado Inn.

Judging of all registered Hereford classes, including the Junior Heifer Show will be held Tuesday, March 15, beginning at 10 a.m.

The Registered Sale will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. with Stanley Stout as auctioneer for the registered cattle. On Wednesday, March 16, a Bidder's Breakfast will be

held in the stock show dining room from 6:30 - 7:30 a.m. Immediately following, auctioneer Bob Caddel of Pampa will sell the junior stock.

The show is sponsored by the Agriculture and Livestock Committee of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce with Clyd Carruth as Superintendent and Jim Greene as Assistant Superintendent

## comes from Lefors. New assistant DA

The Pampa District Attorney's office will have a new assistant D.A. on March 16, according to Guy Hardin, district attorney

Hardin said Wednesday that Joe W. Jernigan, a native of Lefors, has been hired to fill the spot vacated by the

# Al Webb tosses hat in ring for mayor's job By LORI-ANN D'ANTONIO

**Staff Writer** 

With just 20 minutes left in the filing period, Alfred (Al) Webb of Pampa filed as a candidate for the mayor's spot in Pampa. According to city secretary Erma Hipsher, Webb came into her office at 4:40 p.m. Wednesday to file his candidacy papers.

Webb will face former city commissioner Calvin Whatley in the April 2 municipal election. Only one race for city commission will feature competition, Vickie Moose and E.L. (Smiley) Henderson are vying for the Ward 3 spot.

Running for the Ward 1 seat is R.W. (Bob) Curry and running for the Ward 2 seat vacated by 'Whatley's resignation in February is Dr. J.A. (Jay) Johnson, a Pampa dentist

In the Pampa Independent School District races, J.E. Carlson signed up Tuesday, and will face Dr. Dwight Dow in the Place 7 race. Kenneth Fields, who is presently president of the Board of Trustees, will run for reelection in his Place 6 race unopposed

Last-minute filers in the McLean municipal races were David Haynes for mayor, and Cynthia McDowell and June Suggs for city council

Haynes joins Wanye Bybee, Faris (Jake) Hess and G.W. Terry in the mayor's race. McDowell and Suggs join Miro Pakan, W.A. Bentley and Loyd Bybee in the council race. where three new councilmen will be elected. Candidates for three places on the McLean School District.

board are Darryel Herndon (running for reelection), Wendell Ridgeway, Gwen Henley, Sonie Bybee, Thacker Haynes, John Holland and Tommy Cole.

In Lefors races, Robert D. Lake and Mike L. Shedeck filed Wednesday for spots on the school board, joining Arnold Story. Larry Gilbreath, Walter Jackson and Leon mith. Story, Gilbreath and Jackson are incumbents

departure of former assistant D.A. Joe Hendley three weeks

Jernigan, 29. is a 1972 graduate of Lefors High School and received his law degree from Texas Tech University. He has worked in the Amarillo district attorney's office for one year and will start his job in Pampa on March 16, Hardin said.

# In Brief

SAN JOSE. Costa Rica - Pope John Paul II tells Centrá America's bishops it is their urgent duty to promote peace and human rights in this war-wracked region. He also urge them to reject both Marxism and unbridled capitalism - as well as violent paths to social change.

WASHINGTON - President Reagan's offer of restricted viewing of Environmental Protection Agency documents in "totally unacceptable" in light of growing evidence of possible wrongdoing within EPA, congressmen nvestigating the agency say.

A storm stalled off the California coast brought rain to the vater-logged state for the eighth straight day and waves 25 leet high pounding posh oceanside homes. As damage estimates climbed, forecasters warned of more heavy rain this weekend.

SYDNEY, Australia - Bob Hawke, leader of the Australian Labor Party for less than a month, appears headed for an easy ride to the prime minister's chair in Saturday's national elections.

WASHINGTON - Reagan administration officials believe Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Party with win in Sunday's West German elections, thus helping pave he way for deployment of new U.S. nuclear missiles

Stocks hit new highs, home sales rise sharply and the index economic indicators takes its biggest leap forward in nearly 33 years. Against this backdrop of rosy economic news, President Reagan said he sees "a bright green light for recovery."

SALT LAKE CITY - With Barney Clark saying he' happy to be alive and that his new plastic heart is a success. Clark's doctors are starting to look ahead to additional implants of the Utah artificial heart.

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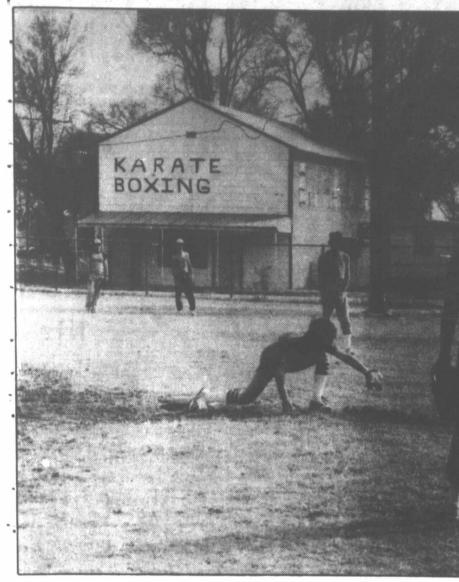
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Lefors High sophomore Steve Roberson makes a catch at his second base spot coached by Rick Palmer, will play their during practice Monday in Lefors city first game Monday against Pampa. (Staff photo by Lori-Ann D'Antonio)

park. The brand new baseball team,

#### federal court resolving all litigation between the company and the government over the spill.

The agreement said "neither party in any way

# Daughter tells of picking up money

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) - Jo Ann Harrelson's daughter offense. Both convictions are under appeal. has testified that she went to Las Vegas, Nev., to pick up \$250.000 because she was told the money was for a gambling debt

" Ms. Starr, 25, testified Wednesday in the perjury trial of Mrs. Harrelson, accused of lying to a federal grand jury investigating the killing of a federal judge in San Antonio.

She said she decided to talk about the trip because she realized that her mother was using her to stay out of jail \_herself

Ms. Starr said Charles V. Harrelson, convicted of killing U.S. District Judge John H. Wood Jr., and Mrs. Harrelson told her the money was for a gambling debt.

Federal prosecutors contend the cash was a payoff to Harrelson for killing Wood, who was gunned down outside his San Antonio townhouse on May 29, 1979.

Ms. Starr said she lied to the FBI and spent three months in jail for refusing to testify to the grand jury in order to protect her mother

She said that she was urged not to talk by her mother, who was worried about her own involvement in the case coming to light

At one point, while being questioned by U.S. Attorney Ray Jahn. Ms. Starr looked at her mother in the courtroom and sobbed, "Why did you do it to me. Mom?"

 The indictment claims Mrs. Harrelson lied when she told a grand jury that she could not recall either discussing the trip with her daughter or ever seeing her daughter in possession of

The trial was transferred from San Antonio to Shreveport because of publicity

Ms. Starr said she first met Harrelson around Christmas of 1978, after her mother had moved in with him and married him

She said in June of 1979 the Harrelsons arranged for her to go to Las Vegas to pick up what she was told was a gambling debt owed to Harrelson.

She said she was assured that the package was not drugs and was told that Harrelson could not pick it up because of the 'heat'' from the ongoing Wood assassination investigation.

Ms. Starr said the plan was successfully completed when a dark-haired woman knocked on the door of her room in the Jockey Club in Las Vegas and delivered an attache case

Earlier Wednesday. prosecution witness Cynthia Cote. who worked for Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Chagra as a secretary. testified that Jimmy Chagra gave the attache case to his wife Miss Cote said she accompanied Mrs. Chagra to the Jockey Club with the case

Miss Starr testified that after receiving the case, she checked out of the hote and, following instructions, took a flight out of Las Vegas ard went back to Corpus Christi, where the Harrelsons picked her up.

Once in the car. she said, she handed the briefcase to Mrs Harrelson, who opened it to find bundles of \$100 bills.

# Senate panel adopts tough

the current practice of allowing some offenders to clear their records after completing probation.

Sen. Bill Sarpalius, D-Hereford, sponsored the legislation which was approved by a Senate subcommittee Wednesday.

"I'm very pleased with the bill. I can't see any loopholes." said Sarpalius. He said he hoped to bring the bill to the full Senate by the end of next week

The primary focus of Sarpalius' proposal is the elimination of "deferred adjudication," but it also raises minimum fines and applies them equally to adult and juvenile offenders and requires minimimum jail time on second and later offenses.

The proposal also allows law enforcement

AUSTIN (AP) - A Senate panel has approved a officers to ask people suspected of driving while tough bill on drunken driving that would eliminate intoxicated to take a blood tests in addition to breathalyzer tests. Refusal to take either test would be admissible in court.

> If the bill is enacted, a first-time DWI conviction would carry a minimum fine of \$100 instead of the current \$50. A second offense would mean a minimum fine of \$300 instead of \$100 and a third offense would cost at least \$500 instead of \$100. The maximum fine for all three levels would be \$2000

> A second-offense DWI conviction would mean minimum jail time of 72 hours. Third offense would carry a minimum jail sentence of 30 days.

The bill makes no changes in current license suspension laws - 12 months the first time a license

is suspended and 18 months the second time Sarpalius' measure would carry a mandatory, six-month sentence for a second conviction of involuntary manslaughter with a motor vehicle. He said he expected efforts on the floor to put deferred adjudication back into the law.

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Sarpalius and others concerned about DWI deaths object to the practice because DWI penalties go up based on the offense, and those who have been subject to deferred adjudication can be treated as first offenders because their prior convictions are not known.

Other senators expressed concern, however, that automatically adding first-time DWI offenses to a person's permanent record would unfairly "punish them for life

# Drilling company vows to fight state claims

HOUSTON (AP) - SEDCO Inc., a drilling company which agreed to pay \$2 million to settle federal claims arising from the largest oil spill in history, has vowed to fight claims by the state of Texas and pursue litigation against a Mexican firm.

The government had sought recovery of clean-up costs estimated at \$12.5 million, plus unspecified amounts for damage to natural resources from the June 3, 1979, blowout of the Ixtoc I well in the Gulf of Mexico.

But the Justice Department and SEDCO, a Dallas-based firm founded by former indemnified by Permargo in Texas Gov. Bill Clements. announced the agreement was filed Wednesday in

spokesman Irving Davis, said his company would continue ligitation against Permargo and will fight claims by the state of Texas and private litigants.

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not to sue Pemex, the

Mexico's oil monopoly, or

Pemargo, a Mexican firm

contract.

"Although Pemex and Permargo made no contribution to the settlement, SEDCO confirmed that it will pursue its rights to be fully

accordance with its contract." said Davis, the company's vice president of taxation company

SEDCO and Pemex have been named in damage suits holding an exploration totalling \$3.77 million filed in However, SEDCO federal court by private groups connected with the southern Texas tourist business

the \$22 million drilling rig. Texas beaches were stained with oil after the well blew up in the Bay of Campeche off the coast of Mexico and ran wild for several weeks.

The well was being drilled with a semi-submersible rig leased by SEDCO to Permargo, a Mexican firm beaches of southern Texas.

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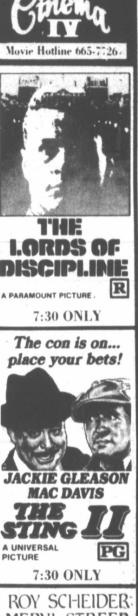
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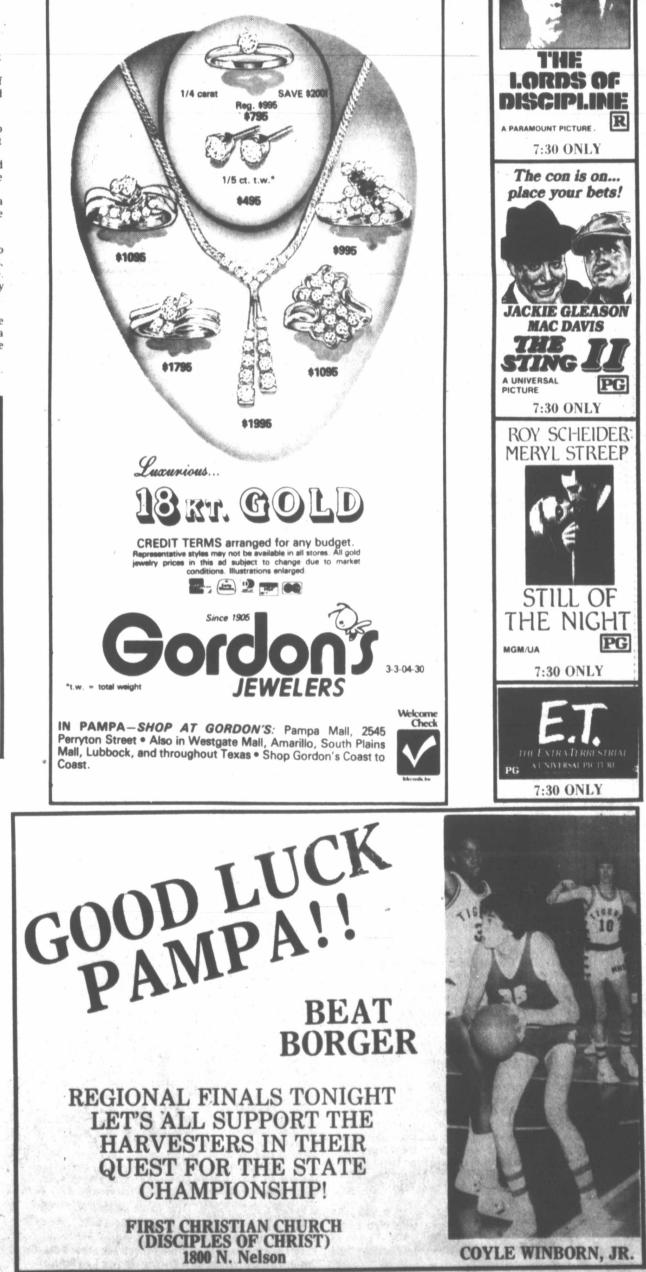
holding an exploration It took federal, state and private agencies about nine contract with Pemex. the Mexican national oil months to complete the clean-up

The well, being drilled in Mexican waters 50 miles The Ixtoc I spill totalled offshore. blew out after about 100 million gallons of crude oil. The worst previous reaching a depth of 6.207 feet spill was 65.5 million gallons beneath the seabed. An from the tanker Amoco explosion and fire demolished Cadiz, which ran aground and High pressure oil and gas sank near Portsal. France, on March 16, 1978

exploded to the surface and burst into flames. The well dumped 1.2 million

gallons of oil daily into the water. Half of the crude was burned, but the rest drifted north and west and eventually coated the





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justice in connection with the investigation of Wood's death She also was convicted of secretly buying the rifle used to kill Wood, and was sentenced to three years in prison for that Commission seeks aid in pollution fight

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas needs to spend more money and hire more people to battle oilfield pollution, says Railroad Commission Chairman Mack Wallace.

He proposed fines of up to \$10,000 a day to violators and said the Legislature should spend more money on the problem. At present the fine is \$1.000 per day.

The main problem is abandoned, unplugged "leaking wells that pose serious health or pollution threats." Wallace said Wednesday. At present, the maximum fine is \$1,000 per day for polluters.

"Tougher penalties will provide a more effective deterrent." Wallace told the Water Quality Committee of the Texas Water Conservation Association. "Additionally, the commission proposes that proceeds from any penalties collected be earmarked for the state's well-plugging fund."

At present, fines go to the state's general revenue fund. When oil wells are abandoned without being plugged. shifts in underground formations can break the casing, and ail and other pollutants can leak into fresh water supplies. One method of plugging a well is to pour concrete down the hole.

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# Viewpoints



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# **Tuition tax break** not best approach

Sometimes President Reagan goes badly astray. If a current proposal endorsed by Reagan finds eventual approval, many parents of children enrolled in private schools will receive a \$500 tuition tax credit.

Did we said endorsed by Reagan? Make that reintroduced by Reagan. The president revived the once - rejected idea in April 1982 while addressing the National Catholic Education Association in Chicago.

Normally, it's difficult to be against a tax break, especially one supposedly aimed at aiding multi children families living in large cities. Purpotedly economically disadvantaged families, at that.

But this is a case of having to look at an issue from one's own viewpoint. And from Odessa, still in the throes of desegration and facing a reportedly burgeoning school population, tuition tax credits for private school attendance look like a loser.

Matter of fact, the notion may well lose out at the congressional level, where many fingers already are pointing to this nation's preference for trying to keep church and state separate. That's to the good.

What's to the bad, we think, is Reagan's role in the matter. His favorable mention of tuition tax credits before a gathering of Catholic educators smells rather too keenly of pre - speech political advice as whispered by lackeys: "For God's sake, sir, tell them something they want to hear.

Tax breaks are needed all around, as are concurrent federal spending restraints. But even hinting of basing a tax blessing on religion reflects wrong - headedness in the extreme. And, according to the Texas Association of School Boards, 80 percent of all private elementary and secondary private schools carry an affiliation with a religious group.

We realize the proposal now under consideration contains certain safeguards. It cuts off at a family income of \$60,000 and would not be available to parents whose children attend schools that "discriminate on the basis of race, color or national origin.

But nobody's fooling anybody when it comes to private schools as they now flourish here and elsewhere, Numerous parents choose the alternative of a private institution for proper reasons, but about an equal number do so to avoid what they consider to be the wrongful impacts of desegregation rulings. That, in particular, is something not needed in Odessa, much less to be encouraged by way of a tax break.

# Is energy conservation discouraged?

#### **By Robert Walters**

WASHINGTON (NEA) - In a series of administrative actions which defy rationality, the Department of Energy is waging a determined campaign to discourage energy conservation in the nation's 83.5 million households

Ignoring its mandate to promote the efficient use of energy. DOE finds itself isolated from scores of state governments, consumer organizations and industry groups which oppose the department's indefensible position

At issue is the provision of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act of 1978 which requires that DOE formulate mandatory nationwide energy efficiency standards for more than a dozen household appliances. The appliances include furnaces and space heaters, central and room air condition ers, clothes washers and dryers, humidifiers and dehumidi fiers, ranges and ovens, refrigerators and freezers, water heaters, dishwashers and televisions.

According to the General Accounting Office, four of those items - furnaces, water heaters, space heaters and central air conditioners - are responsible for almost 15 percent of the country's total energy consumption while the remaining appliances account for an additional 5 to 7 percent.

DOE began the elaborate rulemaking process required to implement the congressional mandate in 1979, but the process was suspended in 1981 after two House Republicans warned President Reagan that the proposed standards "threaten to create multi-billion (dollar) havoc in the appliance industry."

Most appliance manufacturers would indeed prefer no standards whatever but they already are confronted by energy efficiency standards for some or all of the appliances in 41 states and would rather deal with uniform national requirements than disparate state standards.

Moreover, at least one progressive firm - the Carrier Corp., one of the country's leading producers of home heat-ing and cooling equipment — believes that establishment of energy effiencency standards for central air conditioners. furnaces and water heaters is imperative.

"Anything less than immediate promulgation of minimum standards for this type of equipment is simply not in the nation's best interests," says Edward A. Baily, Carrier's director of industry relations.

Establishing readily attainable minimum efficiency standards only for central air conditioners, Carrier notes, would produce annual savings for consumers equal to almost 44 million barrels of oil - valued at more than \$1.3 billion at current price levels - by the end of this century.

In addition, improved efficiency would reduce the summmertime peak demand for electricity by more than 26 million kilowatts, Carrier says. Since it costs utilities about \$1,500 to provide each new kilowatt of generating capacity, they could save an additional \$39 billion in construction costs.

But the Department of Energy, blindly accepting the Reagan administration's narrow-minded philosophy that no regulation is good regulation, cites "the inherent diseconomies of governmental regulatory interference in the marketplace" as its rationale for resisting impositions of any stand-

To justify that position, DOE relies upon the provisions of the 1978 law which waive the imposition of standards if it is found that they are not technologically feasible or economi cally justified or that they would not result in significant energy conservation.

But the General Accounting Office, in a scathing report, concludes that DOE reached those conclusions through a "highly questionable" decision-making process in which data was blatantly manipulated to reach preconceived conclu-

States which have imposed their own efficiency stand-ards will have those initiatives automatically negated by DOE's "no-standard standard" and will be able to gain reinstatement only if the department acts favorably on their petitions for special waivers.

The department already has rejected any standards for clothes drvers and gas ranges and ovens. Later this year, it probably will take the same short-sighted action with regard to all of the remaining appliances. (NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

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While public schools stand to be outright hurt by an approved tuition tax proposal, private schools might be wise to oppose the proposal as well. We have learned nothing if we haven't learned that we haven't learned that with increased government support comes increased government control.

Private schools should always remain available, or course, if solely so individuals can make individual choices. The taxpavers - at - large do not, however, need to subsidize them toward an undoubtedly profitless outcome

# **Textile trends**

#### **By ANTHONY HARRIGAN**

To understand what hinders economic recovery in the U.S., it is necessary to make a case by analysis of the nation's principal industries.

One industry that is suffering is the textile industry, which creates employment for more than 2 million Americans.

The textile industry is in trouble. William Klopman, president of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute. recently spelled out some of the difficulties and cause of them

Mr. Klopman noted, for example, that net sales on textiles were down more than \$7 billion from 1981 and employment dropped almost 70,000

The root problem is that the U.S. government isn't sufficiently vigorous in defending American economic interests. The European Economic Community recently negotiated an agreement with Hong Kong which rolled back textile quotas. However, there haven't been any rollbacks in the U.S. agreements with Hong Kong, Korea and Taiwan. This means the American textile industry and its employees will suffer

The critical problem. however, is with Communist China. Mr, Klopman reported that importa from the People's Republic grew 25 percent in 1982. "Imports from China," he said, "are the equivalent of more than 70,000 jobs and a payroll of \$700 million."

Walter S. Montgomery, Sr., Chairman of the board of Spartan Mills, is another industry leader who has addressed this situation. Writing in Textile Industries, Mr. Montgomery said that "Red China, which is now the world's third - largest textile - apparel supplier, may present the greatest threat to our industry." He said that "There is ample evidence that Red China is flooding the market with cloth.

One difficulty in stopping this flodd of exports is that influential people in the U.S. government regard the American textile industry as expendable, though it is the nation's largest industrial employer. They think that the U.S. should sacrifice the industry, if necessary, in order to maintain good relations with Communist China

From the ivory tower position of the international strategist, that may seem a good idea. But what about the loss of profits and jobs? The earnings of the Americans testile industry (net sales \$41 billion, down from \$48 billion in 1981) are an important part of the country's economy. And if the 800,000 textile industry jobs are sacrificed for international political reasons, where do those displaced workers find jobs? There is no possibility that this number of workers can be retrained and find jobs with high tech industries.

The administration and the Congress would do well to give consideration to these questions.

# **Bankers bungled some big ones**

**By PAUL HARVEY** Some American bankers guessed wrong.

They gambled - lending long - term at low interest. Then, when higher interest rates increased the cost of borrowing. the banks' resources were drained by those bad bets. Some went broke.

#### Others are recouping, painfully.

Internationally, something similar happened

During the 1970s when inflation was making things dearer than money, international bankers were eager to lend money to oil - rich Mexico and Argentina - also to Poland and Brazil. Now those nations are in trouble, those obligations are in default, those bankers are panicky. They are demanding that the International Monetary Fund pump jillions into those troubled countries until they can get on their feet

again. Douglas Lamont, Dean of Business Administration at Roosevelt University, Chicago, calls that "dumping good money after bad.

He sees no reason our Congress should vote more money to the IMF so the IMF can help other countries pay interest on their old loans. He says that would delay the repayment of principal indefinitely.

It would amount to American taxpayers bailing out those banks.

For our country to borrow the money due from these countries in order to pay off those banks would increase our

nation's federal deficit by more than \$200 billion.

Nobody wants to see the collapse of international banking. Everybody wants everybody liquid and viable and productive and growing again.

But Mr. Lamont suggests that "maybe it's time to tell the international bankers that their binge is over and they must experience their hangover so that they will not forget what they did wrong.

He says if the big banks want to be bailed out, then their future credit must be allocated to rebuilding the U.S. economy

"These funds should be spent on creating new industrial jobs at home. constructing more houses for our citizens, extending credit to our people for meeting their needs."

President Eisenhower once used the expression "englightened self - interest" to define his priorities.

When the U.S. was the incomparable powerhouse of the planet, we did have an obligation to others.

Some of us have always thought that we led more effictively by example than with largesse but, be that as it may, our nation's balance of power with other nations is now precariously tilted the other way.

Our needy neighbors are no longer necessarily of another tribe or creed or clan. Our needy neighbors now are right next door

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# Capitol Hill's double standard

#### By William A. Rusher

NEW YORK (NEA) - Here's an interesting, and ultimately enlightening, little puzzle to start you off on the right foot in 1983

Who wrote the following paragraph, and about whom was it written?

"The Senator is aware that there are those who believe that he has single-handedly obstructed and delayed the Senate's business. He is unmoved. His constituents did not send him to Washington to turn his back on what he regards as legislative disaster, he said. 'Everybody would like to be loved,' he added, 'but sometimes the price is too high.'

Note that the unnamed senator is depicted as a hero for being willing to accept condemnation as the price of integri-

Now the trouble is that for the last two weeks of 1982 the name Jesse Helms, the senior senator from North Carolina, was virtually synonymous in the public mind with the word "filibuster," yet the media almost unanimously pilloried Helms for his actions. It is difficult, offhand, to recall any occasion in recent years on which a single senator has undergone a heavier deluge of sustained abuse than Helms endured for his sturdy but ultimately futile filibuster against

President Reagan's proposed 5-cents-a-gallon gasoline tax. In most cases the media went through the formality of putting the denunciatory words in the mouth of some senator or senatorial aide, usually anonymous, who was allegedly outraged because Helms was compelling the Senate to delay its recess for Christmas. But it didn't take an expert on such things to recognize that the media were greatly relishing this opportunity to sink their fangs into Helms, preparatory to destroying this stiff-necked conservative altogether when he comes up for re-election in 1984.

Well, then, who wrote that glutinous little paragraph? Did it appear in some conservative publication like Human Events or the Conservative Digest? No, it didn't. Did Rusher find it, then, in the New York Tribune for Feb. 3, 1856, apropos the legislative tactics of Massachusetts' great anti-slavery senator, Charles Sumner?

No, again. Sorry 'bout that.

To end your suspense, the paragraph in question was taken from a sweetheart story by reporter Marty Tolchin in The New York Times for Dec. 12 — less than a month ago. The subject of the piece, however, was not Jesse Helms. It was Ohio's ultra-liberal Democrat, Sen. Howard Metzenbaum.

And therein, of course, lies the moral of the story; the old double standard is alive and well and roosting in the skulls of the liberal media.

A filibuster is the last resort of a senator who is deep in the minority and knows it. His colleagues are all set to pass something he deeply opposes; but under the Senate's rules, he can obtain the floor and hold it, blocking all action, as long as his voice and health hold out. Only a motion for cloture, which requires 60 votes, can silence him, and many of his colleagues (who are well aware that they may be in his shoes tomorrow) are reluctant to invoke that stern remedy. Whether a particular filibuster is a good thing or a bad

thing, therefore, depends strictly on how you happen to feel about whatever action is being blocked. Metzenbaum moved Tolchin to that lachrymose tribute by threatening filibusters against various pro-business measures during the summer and autumn. Sen. Lowell Weicker of Connecticut, a nominal Republican but one of the few members of either party in the Senate who can equal Metzenbaum's commitment to liberalism, similarly endeared himself to the media last fall with a nicely timed series of one-man filibusters that blocked action on various social-conservative measures (anti-abortion, pro-school prayer) favored by Sen. Helms.

But when Jesse Helms' own turn came, filibusters suddenly stopped being, in the eyes of the Washington press corps, instruments of divine intervention in human affairs and became the ugly weapons of a stubborn, arrogant and fundamentally vicious loner.

Or so, good reader, you are supposed to believe. (NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASIN )

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# Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday. March 3, the 62nd day of 1983. There are 303 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History

On March 3, 1974, a Turkish airliner crashed in a forest near Paris, killing 374 people.

On this date:

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Pope John Paul II is greeted on his arrival President Luis Alberto Monge. (AP Wednesday at San Jose by Costa Rica's Laserphoto)

# Pope asks churchmen to work for peace and change

SAN JOSE. Costa Rica (AP) - Pope John Paul II began his nine-day tour of this impoverished and war-ravaged region by urging Roman Catholic clergy to reject Marxism. capitalism and all violent paths toward change.

In a speech to Central American bishops Wednesday, he called instead for reconciliation within their divided nations and within the Church itself.

Today, the pope celebrates Mass outdoors in La Sabana Park. Church leaders have predicted as many as 1 million people two-fifths of Costa Rica's population - will attend.

The Polish-born pontiff also meets this morning with the tiny Polish community in San Jose and with Costa Rican President Luis Alberto Monge

John Paul told an eager. welcoming crowd at San Jose airport Wednesday he was making the eight-nation tour to "share the pain of a people ... and leave a word of encouragement and hope, based on a necessary change in attitudes.

Later. he told 66 of the region's bishops that the church "cannot resort to methods of violence which are abhorrent to its Christian conscience.

"A lacerating clamor rising from these 9791991 B MB179 V

lands and calling for peace. the end of war and to violent deaths has sounded with accents of urgency in my spirit." the 62-year-old pontiff said.

This clamor implores reconciliation and it thirsts for widespread and heretofore uselessly awaited justice.

"There is nothing more deplorable and alarming as the threat of war which would raze the countries involved and would become a deadly scenario for foreign interests.

The pope rejected both "a purely economistic capitalism" and "a materialistic collectivism (communism) that equally oppress human nature.

The Gospel is a defender of man. especially of the poor and defenseless. of those who lack earthly goods and are ignored." he said

Costa Rica is poor, but in troubled Central America, it is an oasis of peace and democracy.

The Pope's other stops will include three tortured lands: El Salvador, where a bloody civil war rages: Guatemala, where a rightist military government is trying to quell a stubborn guerrilla movement and Nicaragua, where the guerrilla-led government is trying to rebuild the nation

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# **US favors Kohl in West German election**

WASHINGTON (AP) -Reagan administration officials believe Chancellor Helmut Köhl's Christian Democratic Party will win in Sunday's West German elections, thus helping pave the way for deployment of new U.S. nuclear missiles.

Some officials fear a victory by Kohl's chief rival. Hans-Jochen Vogel of the Social Democratic Party. could provoke a costly delay in the missile installation. planned for later this year.

West Germany is scheduled to be one of the first European countries to install the U.S. cruise and Pershing II missiles as part of NATO's strategy for countering the threat from Soviet SS-20 missiles targeted on Europe.

**By JOHN CUNNIFF** 

**AP Business Analyst** 

survey of real estate brokers

has found that 89 percent of

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But big business is planning

The threat to the small

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While Kohl is firmly favors Kohl, who became committed to the strategy. Vogel has suggested a review focusing on whether the United States has been sincere in efforts to negotiate an arms control agreement with the Soviet Union.

In the view of officials here. Vogel's campaign was running impressively until early February when it peaked. They say he has become increasingly strident since then, further hurting his chances among Germany's predominantly moderate electorate.

Recent polls in Germany show Kohl with a significant lead. Officials here believe they are accurate.

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chancellor after Helmut Schmidt, a member of the Social Democratic Party, was forced out of office last year.

"There is no doubt that in the current situation the **Christian Democratic Party** is more capable of managing the government and is more attuned to our ideas, and that we will work better with them than we will with the Social

Democratic Party." said a State Department official. who insisted on not being identified.

The State Department official said President Reagan has improved Kohl's chances - as well as the United States' own standing throughout Europe - by

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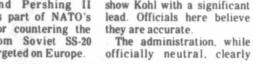
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adopting a more flexible stance on arms control negotiations with the Soviets. On the other hand, officials say, an attempt by the Soviet Union to infiuence the outcome of the elections in favor of Vogel through anti-U.S., anti-nuclear propaganda. may have gone

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other parties. the Free Democrats of Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and the Greens. a loosely organized movement of anti-nuclear. pro-ecology forces, will win representation in parliament The institute is a respected

German polling organization.





# Dear Abby Widow decides to stay home after offer to 'stay over'

# By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am a widow, 60 years old. I look no more than 50 - at least that's what everybody tells me.

I have been a widow for two years, after being married for 35 years to a wonderful man. A friend asked me if I would go out to dinner with a friend of hers. She said he was an attractive widower, age 63, whose wife had died two years ago.

I accepted, and we found we had a lot in common same interests, religion, etc. We laughed and talked and had a lovely evening. I really enjoyed the gentleman's company and felt so comfortable with him.

When he took me home he spoiled it all by asking if he could "stay over"! Imagine! To me that was an insult. What makes a man think that because he takes a woman to dinner she will let him stay over? Lots of my women friends tell me that's all the men want these days. I just can't get over the shock!

Now I won't go out with any man. I will just live alone with memories of what men used to be - gentlemen who had some respect for women.

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DEAR INSULTED: Please don't judge all men by the one who insulted you. There are still some gentlemen around.

DEAR ABBY: Having recently reached the "single"

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give you in a letter if you are unable to respond to the "natural" (by your own admission) question, "Are you widowed or divorced?"

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Managing your money topic of women's seminar

Money management for women, with advice from Amarillo financial experts, is the topic of a two - night seminar scheduled March 7 and March 14 at First Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 1633 N. Nelson.

The seminar, sponsored by Pampa's Junior Service League, is offered free of charge to women and men of Pampa as a community service. Sessions will begin at 7:30 p.m. both

March 7 session is to cover checking and savings accounts, estates, wills, loans and certificates of deposit. Margo Fields, Lynn Singleton, Anne Foster and Leah Hooper, all of the First National Bank of Amarillo, are to conduct the program.

On March 14, Sharon McCarroll and Buck Altman of Kidder, Peabody & Co. in Amarillo are to discuss investing in stocks, preferred stocks, corporate bonds, tax - free bonds, tax shelters and mutual funds

"While the seminar deals with financial instruments, each session is independent of the other allowing Pampans to miss one if need be and still be able to follow the program." said Nan Osborne, president of the Pampa Junior Service League

Each session is to consist of panelists' lectures, a brief intermission, then a question and answer period. Both sessions are open to the public free of charge.

# Local singer featured in concert here tonight

Mary Jane Johnson, a former resident of Pampa, is to be featured here tonight at a Community Concert performance at 8 p.m. in M. K. Brown Auditorium. Johnson is the daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Rose of Pampa. She now lives in

One of opera's most

exciting young stars. Johnson's career is highlighted by numerous awards and debuts including performances with Luciano Pavarotti and in opera companies in Santa Fe Philadelphia, Annapolis, New

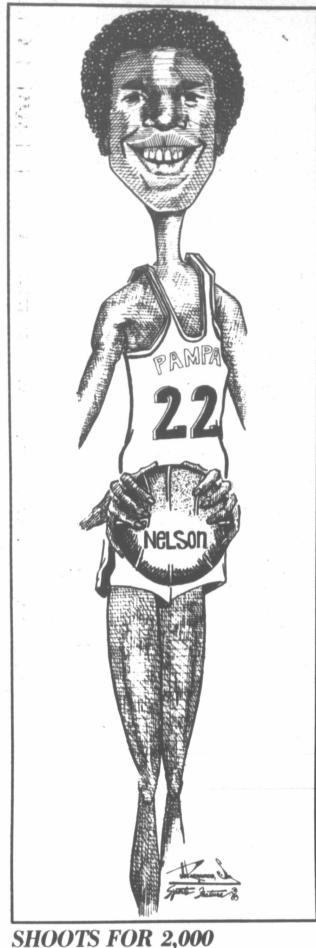
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# Pampa boys win tennis match

Pampa High tennis squads played Borger Ferchaw and Strick. in a duel match Tuesday with the boys winning, 5-4, and the girls losing a 5-4 decision

In the singles division, Salil Mohan def.

In the girls' division, Andi Elliott won ver Christie Blake, 6-4, 6-0; Cheryl Starnes def. Sharon Pundt. 7-5, 7-5, and Becky Pontious def. Kristie Jones, 6-7, 6-2, 7-5.

# **Harvesters** meet **Borger tonight**

What will the third Pampa-Borger game produce?

In the first outing, the Harvesters played one of their worst games of the season and Borger rolled to a 72-57 win. The second game was packed with tension right to the end with Borger coming out on top again, 69-68, in overtime.

Tonight's regional finals game tips off at 7:45 p.m. in Amarillo Civic Center with the winner advancing to the Class 4A state tournament.

"We know what they've got and they know what we've got." Pampa head coach Garland Nichols said. "The team that executes the best will win it."

Nichols doesn't have any suprises planned for Borger.

"At this late date I don't think you can do anything special." Nichols added. "We're just going to go and play the best we can and hope we can come out of it with a win.

Pampa, 24-6. is coming off a 59-46 rout of fourth-ranked Mansfield while Borger, 26-6, slipped by Wichita Falls Hirschi, 63-62, in the area playoffs.

As far as scoring goes, Pampa's triple trio of Mike Nelson (23.5 ppg), Coyle Winborn (13.0 ppg) and Phil Jeffrey (10.5 ppg) will be matched against Borger's balanced attack. led by Terrance Sheppard's 17 points per game. Kevin Wills (10.6 ppg), Dwight Cofer (13.3 ppg) and Ricky McDonald (11.0 ppg) are other Bulldogs scoring in double figures.

Nelson, Pampa High's all-time scoring leader, could go over the 2,000 career point mark tonight. The 6-3 senior needs 20 points to accomplish that feat. Winborn, a 6-6 junior, has been on a tear lately. He hasn't been held under a dozen points in the last seven games.

Tickets for the crucial game are on sale from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the Pampa High Athletic Office. Pampa's cheering section will be seated behind the scorer's desk at the Civic Center

# Pampa golfers take second in Deaf Smith Invitational

standings. Both Fatheree and HEREFORD-Pampa golfers took second in the Jett had a 79 after 18 regulation holes. Derick Deaf Smith County Dalton had an 84 for Pampa Invitational Junior Varsity division Wednesday with a JVs while Robert Knight had a 101 and Gary Casebier 109

Coronado JV shot a 316 to win the 10-team title. David Fatheree of Pampa

defeated teammate Clay Jett in a sudden death playoff for third place in the medalist

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# NBA roundup Magic leads Lakers to 127-117 victory over Milwaukee

By The Associated Press Magic Johnson showed the Milwaukee Bucks a trick they didn't expect.

Rather than dish off slick passes to teammates for easy baskets, the 6-foot-9 point guard decided to put the ball in the hoop himself. The result was a season-high 34 points that paced the Los Angeles Lakers to a 127-117 National Basketball Association triumph over the Bucks Wednesday night in Milwaukee. "The book on him (Johnson) has been that he

always looks to thread the needle with the pass instead of shoot it, so they give it to him over the top," said Lakers Coach Pat Riley. "But he can drill it. He's worked hard on his perimeter game.'

Besides his 34 points, Johnson added 15 assists. seven rebounds and five steals. He sank 15 of 20 shots. most of them high-arching perimeter jumpers. In other games, the New Jersey Nets swamped the

Houston Rockets 124-85, the Nets 124, Rockets 85 **Dallas Mavericks shaded the** Seattle SuperSonics 108-105, the Phoenix Suns downed the San Antonio Spurs 110-106, the Portland Trail Blazers nipped

the San Diego Clippers 104-102 and the Denver Nuggets trimmed the Golden State Warriors 128-108

Johnson scored 24 of his points in the second half. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar added 30 points and Jamaal Wilkes record in the NBA at 11-47. scored eight of his 27 points in Mavericks 108, Sonics 105 the last 6:15 as the Lakers At Dallas, Kelvin Ransey broke a slump that saw them made two free throws with lose three of their previous three seconds left. enabling Dallas to hold off a furious four games. The Bucks, who had a three-game winning fourth-quarter rush by streak broken, were led by Seattle, which erased most of Alton Lister with a a 17-point deficit.Gus

career-high 27 points. The Lakers took control of the game by outscoring the Bucks 14-4 late in the third quarter and early in the fourth to open a 101-91 lead. Johnson had 10 points in thet

"I can play a lot of different roles," Johnson said. "It depends on the nature of the situation. Tonight the situation called for me to shoot. I've got to start making people play us honestly. I'm going to continue to shoot it to make them play everybody.

At East Rutherford, N.J. Albert King scored 17 points and had seven assists and Buck Williams had 15 points 13 rebounds as New and

Jersey piled up its largest margin of victory this season. Darryl Dawkins, Darwin Cook and Mike Gminski each had 14 points, while Cook also contributed 11 assists. The Rockets have the worst

left.Ransey. who had 20 points for Dallas, then made his free throws.Dallas was led by Jay Vincent's 24 points and also got a team-record 20 rebounds from Pat Cummings.

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Suns 110, Spurs 106 Walter Davis' baseline jumper with 39 seconds left snapped a 104-104 tie.Davis. who scored 10 of his 21 points in the fourth period. hit his game-winner 48 seconds after San Antonio's Johnny Moore tied the score on a hook shot.Larry Nance. who paced Phoenix with 27 points, stole an inbounds pass at midcourt and went in for a slam dunk with 35 seconds remaining for

Williams, who scored a season-high 38 points, led the surge that brought the Sonics as close as 106-105 with 50 seconds to play. But Seattle's Jack Sikma, who finished with 18 points and 19 a 108-104 lead. rebounds. missed a 10-footer



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In doubles action. Starnes and Hallerberg of Pampa teamed up to defeat Hood and Erwin, 7-5, 6-4.

Sellers and Rivera won by default over

In doubles play. Hofacket and Starnes def. Wilson and Jones, 6-3, 6-3.

"Andi Elliott has been doing extremely well," Pampa coach Stacey Foster said. "I look for her to do well again in the Hereford Tournament this Friday and Saturday."

# Pampa drops baseball opener

AMARILLO-Too many stranded runners hurt Pampa in a 7-4 loss to Tascosa Tuesday afternoon that opened the Harvesters' baseball season

"We had chances to win it. but we just left too many runners on base." said first-year head coach Bill Butler.

Pampa loaded the bases three times without pushing across a run while nine runners were left stranded.

Pampa had five hits with Devin Cross' double the only extra base hit. Charles Wuest, Ricky Baird. Keith Flores. Toby Ritthaler has one base rap apiece.

Bryan Bowen had an impressive stint as a relief pitcher as he struck out the Tascosa side in the seventh inning. Wade Barker

while Garland Allen had two innings of relief work

victories this season.

"Last Saturday we beat both Caprock and Palo Duro in scrimmage games." he added. "We scored 14 runs against Caprock and 11 against Palo Duro using different lineups."

Pampa has weekend games in Amarillo against Palo Duro at 4 p.m. Friday and against Amarillo High at 1 p.m. Saturday.

p.m. Tuesday against Caprock if the new high school baseball field west of Harvester Stadium is completed by then.





basketball games Friday night in the Pampa **High fieldhouse** 

'Tickets sales are going real well,' said Brad Mink of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. "Over 800 have already been sold

Proceeds will go to Pampa Meals On Wheels

#### will try and handcuff the news media consisting of KGRO and KSZN radio stations and the Panipa News. At 8:30 p.m., Clyde's Corner tangles with KIXZ radio of Amarillo. Tickets are \$1 each and may be purchased at the radio stations, the Pampa News or the Chamber of Commerce. Children under six

# Lamar to host jumpathon

Lamar fourth-fifth grade students will hold a jumpathon Saturday to raise funds for the American Heart Association, according to Pampa coach Jackie Stephens.

Coach Stephens said the students will divided into teams of six and will jump rope from 9 a.m. until 12 noon in the Lamar school gym. Students will receive individual prizes based on the amount of pledges they receive for the heart association.

Coach Stephens urged the public to support the students in this worthy cause.

# Softball meetings set

The City of Pampa Parks and Recreation will hold organizational meetings for men and women's church slow pitch leagues March 15-17 at City Hall, 100 North Frost,

The men's meeting will be held March 15, followed by the women March 17, starting at 7 p.m. in Room 202. Coaches or managers are urged to attend the meetings to obtain information on fee deadlines, fee structures, league bylaws, roster forms and number of games.

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# Pampa swimmers get ready for regionals

That old maxim, "Practice Makes Perfect," doesn't always apply, especially in swimming around regional tournament

Clay Douglass, David Fatheree. Cody Moore, Amy Raymond, Julie Turner, Christina Turner and Pauletta Morrow are applying the "mind over matter" principle as they get ready for the Class 4A Regional Swim Meet Friday and Saturday at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

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"We're tapering (cutting yardage) and therefore cutting down on both quality and quantity. Pampa coach Jema Allen said. "It's always good to cut down on intensity drills before a big meet. It makes the swimmers feel a lot better psychologically when they're well-rested."

Seven Harvesters qualfiled for the regionals by placing among the top three in the District 1-4A meet two weeks ago in Amarillo

"Clay Douglass, Amy Raymond and David Fatheree stand a real good chance of going onto state." Coach Allen said.

Douglass won both the 100 butterfly and 200 IM at the district meet, breaking his old record in the latter event with a 2:07.01 clocking

Miss Raymond won the 100 backstroke in the girls' division while placing second in the 200 individual medley. She teamed with Julie Turner, Christina Turner and Miss Morrow to take second in the 200 medley relay.

Fatheree placed second in the one-meter diving event. Douglass. Fatheree. Moore, Miss Raymond and Julie Turner were all regional qualifiers a year ago.

The top two qualifiers advance to the state meet in Austin.

# Kennedy advances to LBA 40 semis

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) - John Kennedy of Mount Pleasant joined three other amateurs today in the semifinals of the Life Begins at 40 Golf Tournament.

-Kennedy made tour birdies on the windswept Harlingen Country Club course Wednesday to defeat Johnny Johnson 2 and 1.

Joining Kennedy in the semifinals of the match play fournament were Bill St. Clair of Muleshoe, Bob Hillery of Touston and 1981 champion Lee Fisher of Harlingen.

Kennedy was paired with Hillery and Fisher was slated to ace St. Clair in this afternoon's matches.

Fisher made short work of tournament medalist Bobby Backey, sinking a three-foot putt for par on 15 to eliminate the rmer University of Texas guarterback, 4 and 3.

Hillery, the 1981 tournament medalist, parlayed four birdies to a 2 and 1 victory over two-time champion Roy Peden of Cermit

a 19-hole match



# **Practice Lap**

Pampa High's Clay Douglass takes a few practice laps across the Youth Center Pool. Douglass and six of his swimmates are entered in the Class 4A regional swim meet this weekend in Lubbock. Douglass will compete in the 100 butterfly and 200 IM. The top two qualifiers advance to the state meet in Austin. (Staff Photo)

# **Mustangs down TCU** in SWC thriller

**By ALAN SAYRE** The Mustangs conclude **Associated Press Writer** their regular season Saturday At mid-season, Texas against Texas and must hope for a loss by Texas A&M. Christian seemed to be an almost sure bet for third which plays at Texas Tech that day, to create a place in the Southwest Conference basketball race. three-way tie. But the Horned Frogs -The loss ended the regular

dubbed the "Killer Frogs" by campaign on a sour note for TCU Coach Jim their backers - didn't expect the second half of the Killingsworth. "We certainly haven't campaign to be such a horror. TCU lost its fifth game in played as well as we're

capable," Killingsworth said. seven starts Wednesday night 'Our whole problem was we just shot the ball poorly .

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# **Braniff-PSA deal is proclaimed dead**

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - A federal appeals court threw out a complex plan enabling Pacific Southwest Airlines to partially take over grounded Braniff International. Hours later, PSA's chairman proclaimed it dead.

"No doubt. It's dead. We don't think the (U.S.) Supreme Court would take it." said Chairman William Shimp, reached Wednesday night at his home in San Diego

Even so. Braniff Chairman Howard Putnam and PSA financial vice president George Shortley expressed hope that something still might be worked out as they met with lawyers Wednesday night at Braniff's headquarters at the Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport.

But Putnam said the ruling left him "in a state of shock

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the Braniff-PSA arrangement simply did not conform to bankruptcy law

Crucial to Wednesday's ruling was the 5th Circuit's reversal of a federal judge who had ordered the Federal Aviation Administration to provide 200 landing slots - times at which planes may land at designated airports - for Braniff planes that were to be leased by PSA.

After Braniff ceased operating last May under the load of a \$1 billion debt. the FAA reassigned many of its 450 slots to other airlines so extra flights could fill the gap left by Braniff. Those airlines were among those opposing the deal.

Braniff contended in the arrangement with PSA that the slots were Braniff property that could be transferred as it pleased.

The FAA argued that it alone has jurisdiction over the issuance of airport time slots and a federal judge cannot treat them as property to be conveyed by contract.

U.S. District Judge Eldon Mahon agreed with

Braniff. He ruled in Fort Worth that the FAA had to return some of the landing slots to Braniff. PSA had arranged to lease 30 of Braniff's 62 idle Boeing 727 jets and to hire some 2,000 Braniff workers. It set up a new PSA division to handle the Braniff transition

"We cannot accept Braniff's characterization of the slots as its property." the 5th Circuit said. "The slots are actually restrictions on the use of property - airplanes: not property in themselves.

PSA had set a Tuesday deadline for approval of the deal. But as the appeals court shaped its opinion, the company extended the deadline, saving creditors had given them until March 15 to sign the papers with Braniff.

However, PSA, which said it had committed \$1.5 million to the proposal, also said its new division had to begin flying June 15 so it could extend service to 16 cities previously served by Braniff.

They included such major markets as Miami. Newark and Washington. Even had Braniff and PSA won at the 5th Circuit. they faced a threat by the venture's opponents to

appeal any favorable ruling to the next highest court. The 5th Circuit ruling sent the case back to

Mahon for "further proceedings consistent with this opinion. Since certain portions of the transaction are

clearly outside the scope of (a section of the bankruptcy code), the district court was without power under that section to approve it." the opinion said

"Its order must be reversed." Three main legal issues were presented in the appeal

- Was the District court approval of the PSA transaction authorized under the bankruptcy code?

-"Did the District Court have the power to order the FAA to allocate certain landing slots at various airports to Braniff so that Braniff could transfewr them in the PSA transaction?"

-Third, could the judge approve Braniff's transfer of its lease on terminal facilities at Washington National Airport to PSA without FAA approval?

On each issue, the appeals court reversed Mahon. In a separate dispute involving Mahon and the airlines, the 5th Circuit judges - Thomas Gee of Austin. Reynaldo Garza of Brownsville, Texas and Henry Politz of Shreveport, La. - ruled Monday that the district judge was within his jurisdiction in upholding the agreement approved by the bankruptcy court judge.

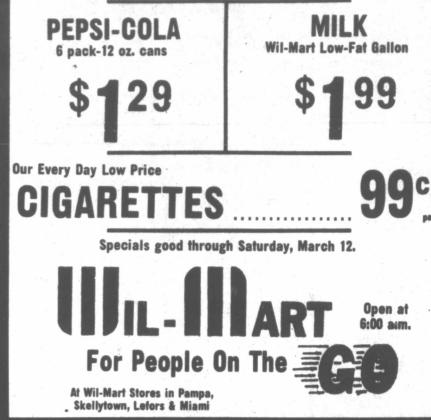
Competitors, including American Airlines and Delta Air Lines, had argued that Mahon erred in getting involved in the case because only a federal bankruptcy court has jurisdiction in such cases.

After collapsing last May. Braniff filed for protection from its creditors in federal bankrutpcy court in Fort Worth

U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge John Flowers said that with the PSA takeover. Braniff would be able to pay 12 cents on the dollar when liquidated instead of the 9 cents that could be paid without additional revenue.

Immediate reaction to Wednesday's ruling was contradictory. Some said the deal was wrecked. Others said it might still be struck.

We are disappointed, upset. The deal is dead. We'gave it a good try." said PSA president Paul C. Barkley, reached in San Diego. "Our attorneys are discussing options, but it's highly unlikely there will be an appeal. The decision ends any hope of a transaction.



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# Economic measures up, president voices optimism

**By The Associated Press** A boost in housing sales in large in the past without an January and a sharp rise in the Index of Leading Economic Indicators have 'flashed a bright green light' for economic recovery. according to President Reagan.

Sales of new single-family houses jumped 9.9 percent in January. rising to their highest level in more than two years, the government reported Wednesday.

That news arrived on top of word from the government that its chief economic forecasting gauge. the Commerce Department's Index of Leading Economic Indicators. shot skyward in January by 3.6 percent, its biggest gain in 33 years.

And a business group reported a gain in consumer confidence and plans by Americans to make major purchases.

Analysts have taken these signs - as well as good news in stock prices, construction, spending, inflation and interest rates - to mean recovery from recession might be more vigorous than

most expected. President Reagan issued a statement saying Wednesday's figures

gain in the leading index this confidence index climbed to economic recovery. 64.8 in February. up almost Commerce Secretary seven points from January. It was the second consecutive Malcolm Baldrige noted. **Treasury Secretary Donald** Regan spoke of "substantial evidence that the recession is over and we are beginning the

recovery. Some analysts voiced cautious agreement.

"I really do think that we have had a lot of evidence that we are in a recovery. said Sandra Shaber, an economist for Chase Econometrics. a consulting firm

"But I think the danger is that people will overestimate how strong the recovery will be. There was so much caution late last year. and wisely so. because there were so many obstacles that would restrain growth."

The Conference Board, a business-sponsored research

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group, said its consumer 75.5 from 71.9 in the previous month, led by a gain in planned auto purchases. January sales of new single-family homes - at an

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'flashed a bright green light for recovery. They provide compelling new evidence that the United States economy is rapidly gaining strength.

The president asked Congress to work with his administration 'in a bipartisan spirit to build a lasting recovery that will create more jobs. "There has never been a

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## law passes House

AUSTIN (AP) - A legislator whose daughter's popularity has dropped because he won't let her drive has persuaded a House committee to OK a bill to make it tougher for 15-year-olds to get licenses. The House Transportation

Committee voted 6-0 Wednesday for a measure already approved in the Senate - to tighten restrictions on "hardship granted licenses 15-year-olds.

Rep. Gerald Hill, D-Austin. is the bill's House sponsor. He said his 15-year-old daughter wants to drive now. but he won't let her

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