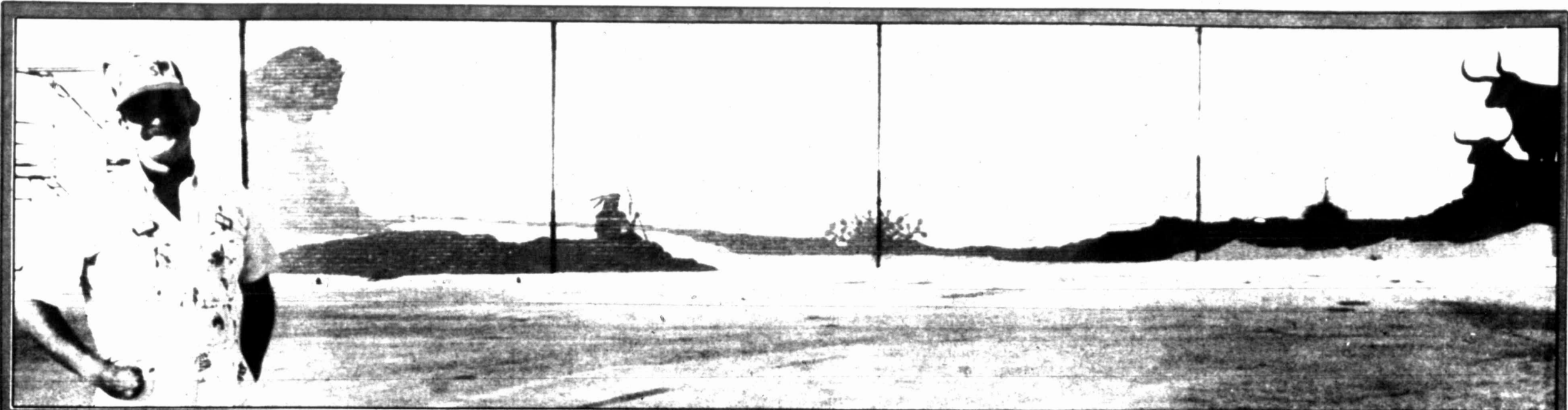


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McCann's canvas

Big Spring artist Coy McCann stands in front of the 100-foot by 25-foot mural that he painted on the southeast corner of the intersection of Third and Gregg streets. McCann and his assistants, who painted the mural from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. during a six-week period, are nearly finished with the project, depicting time periods from Big Spring's history.

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Crossroads weather

Forecast for the Big Spring area: Partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Some locally heavy rain possible tonight. Partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms Saturday. Some tonight includes an isolated large Sunday upper 60s to middle 70s. High today was 72, while the low was 49.



Approval OK'd for 911 pact

By MICHAEL DUFFY
Staff Writer

The 911 Emergency Telephone District Board approved service agreements Thursday night with three telephone companies to provide service throughout Howard County.

Tim Yeats, chairman of the five-member 911 board, signed contracts with Southwestern Bell, General Electric and West-Tex telephone companies.

Carl Dorton, 911 administrator, said the contracts call for the telephone companies to be paid one-time fees of:

- \$11,280.80 for SWBT; \$10,700 for West-Tex; and \$12,545 for GTE.

In addition, Dorton said SWBT will be paid a monthly fee of between \$2,400 and \$3,100; \$758.40 for West-Tex; and \$395 for GTE.

"I am still working with the telephone companies, but we have things pretty well squared away," he said.

Approximately 13,000 of the telephone exchanges to be aligned with 911 services are SWBT subscribers, according to the administrator.

Dorton said he is still coordinating the alignment of roads throughout Howard County and is beginning the process of addressing streets.

"I've also visited with the postal service and they have sent letters to patrons in rural areas informing them of address changes. This will be a one-time deal," he said.

A Master Street Ledger — listing all the streets and addresses in the city and county must be completed by Aug. 29, 1989 and corrections must be made by Dec. 1, Dorton said.

The identification of roads is being patterned after those listed throughout the city of Big Spring.

The board also scheduled an Aug. 19 budget work session to be held at the McMahon-Wrinkle Air Park conference room, according to Dorton.

Dorton said the budget will need the approval of the Howard County commissioners, Big Spring City Council, and the cities of Forsan and Coahoma.

The board also approved vouchers submitted by Dorton.

Establishment of the 911 system was made possible by overwhelming voter approval of the Nov. 3 measure. Howard County voters approved the issue by a 3-1 margin. It was rejected by only two of the county's 25 precincts.

The 911 system is designed to allow citizens access to aid more quickly during an emergency. A caller needs only dial three digits during an emergency to gain immediate access to police, fire or ambulance services, eliminating separate 7-digit telephone numbers.

Calls will be routed through the Big Spring Police Department to the necessary emergency agencies — the fire department, Rural/Metro Ambulance and the Howard County sheriff's department.

Bush: I have heartbeat of Texas

By JOEL WILLIAMS
Associated Press Writer

CORPUS CHRISTI — Vice President George Bush returned to his adopted home state Thursday and accused Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis of being out of touch with the values of Texans and Hispanic Americans.

"My heartbeat is the Texas heartbeat, and his is the liberal Democrat from Massachusetts, who is not Texas," Bush said.

"That is what is going to decide this election," Bush told reporters before addressing the American GI Forum, a predominantly Hispanic veterans' and civil rights organization.

"When you have a man that stands for getting rid of guns, that is not the Texas viewpoint," Bush said of Dukakis, the Democratic presidential nominee.

"Texans don't favor federal gun control, for example. Texans think it's OK to say the Pledge of Allegiance in the public schools of the United States."

He was greeted at the airport by Oscar Moran, immediate past national president of the League of United Latin American Citizens, and Republican Gov. Bill Clements, who said he was proud "to welcome the hometown boy home."

Bush, who maintains a residence in Maine, has called Texas his home state since 1948 and lists a Houston hotel as his voting address.

Bush, expected to be named the GOP presidential nominee at the party's convention later this month in New Orleans, said in winning the Hispanic vote, it does not matter that he cannot speak Spanish the way Dukakis can.

"It isn't whether you speak Spanish," Bush said. "It's what's in your blood, what values you share."

He later told a convention crowd of about 1,200 that those values include "family, faith, freedom and opportunity."

Bush's address to the convention focused on foreign affairs, and



CORPUS CHRISTI — Vice President George Bush receives a warm welcome from Agnes Horn at the American G.I. Forum National Convention opening luncheon in Corpus Christi Thursday.

Dukakis' positions. He said Democratic foreign affairs stance amounts "to a rejection of America's role as a world leader and a repudiation of the Truman Doctrine and the vision of John Kennedy."

GI Forum leaders this week have criticized Dukakis for not attending their 40th annual national convention and said it may cost the Massachusetts governor votes among Hispanics.

"A couple of weeks ago, you heard the phrase, 'Where is George?'" GI Forum President Mario Diaz said. That was the

chant of delegates at last month's Democratic National Convention, where Bush's role during the Reagan administration was criticized.

"He's here at the American GI Forum convention," Diaz said while introducing Bush at the luncheon. "That's where George is. The question we have to ask is, 'Where is Mike?'"

Bush told reporters he does not think U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen Jr. of Texas will help Dukakis in the state because, "Texans are going to vote at the top of the ticket."

On energy policy, Bush said he

favors deregulating natural gas, lowering taxes on producers and development of nuclear energy.

Rep. Albert Bustamante, D-San Antonio, in Washington faulted Bush's record on civil rights and toward veterans.

"George Bush's record is not the record of a friend to Hispanics or veterans," said Bustamante, who is a veteran. "George Bush is short on experience with Hispanic affairs, short on commitment to Hispanic affairs, and is trying to feed us another manana promise."

Wright pleads case of WW II hero

By JENNIFER DIXON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Calvin Graham had a lump in his throat Thursday and couldn't testify, but House Speaker Jim Wright made the case for his disabled World War II hero who has been denied military benefits because he lied about his age and enlisted in the Navy when he was 12.

"From a narrowly legal point of view, perhaps those who so long have thwarted efforts to restore simple justice to Calvin Graham may feel they were justified. But on the basis of common sense, ethics, morality, valor, simple decency, justice and fairness, they were painfully wrong," Wright, D-Texas, said.

"The denial of full benefits to Calvin Graham brings a pall of shame over the government of the United States," the speaker said as his wheelchair-bound constituent sat at his side during a hearing by a House Judiciary subcommittee.

When asked whether he wanted to testify on legislation to give him disability benefits and back pay,

Graham, 58, said: "I've got a lump in my throat right now."

Graham, of Fort Worth, says patriotism was at a fevered pitch in 1942 when, weighing 125 pounds and standing at 5-feet-2, he joined the Navy in Houston and was assigned to the USS South Dakota as an anti-aircraft gun loader.

After shrapnel ripped through his mouth during the battle of Guadalcanal, Graham said he remained aboard the ship's deck applying tourniquets to those who had lost an arm or leg.

The military has fought Graham at every turn since he was slammed in the brig in Corpus Christi, Texas, upon his return from the Pacific, and it took the Navy until 1978 to grant him an honorable discharge and award him his medals, including the Bronze Star, Wright said.

In 1980, the government decided to give him \$337 in back pay for the three months he spent confined in the brig and his mustering-out benefits, which would have been the right amount at the time of his discharge in 1943. He was also granted disability status for one

tooth, although he said he lost all of his teeth because of war wounds.

Legislation introduced by Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, seeks to grant Graham disability benefits for his mouth injuries and back pay in 1988 dollars, with interest.

Graham's story was the subject of a CBS television movie, "Too Young The Hero," earlier this year.

Wright said the government has turned a cold shoulder to Graham, "even though President Roosevelt is said to have offered his help shortly before his death and President Reagan in a California radio address during his campaign for the presidency described Calvin Graham's case as the kind of problem he wanted to address if elected. So let's help him do it."

Graham rejoined the service when he reached the proper age and served with the Marines during the Korean War. He said he broke his back and his right ankle when he lost his footing and fell from a pier in California, and those injuries now keep him in a wheelchair.



CALVIN GRAHAM

Police: Help us prevent crimes

By MICHAEL DUFFY
Staff Writer

Citizen involvement is critical to the success of a 5-year-old crime prevention program sponsored by the Big Spring Police Department.

Sgt. Bobby Armstrong — who took over the reins of the crime prevention program Monday — said many people are not aware of its existence.

The vacation house watch program has proven to be a valuable asset in preventing residential burglaries when people are out of town, Armstrong said.

Big Spring homeowners who have plans to travel are asked to contact the police department in advance.

"We ask that they give us some information about their home and when they will be gone and an officer will watch their home. We will also notify them in the event of an emergency," Armstrong advised.

He encourages business and property owners to look out for each other in order to help curtail crime.

"What it boils down to is helping us to help them," Armstrong said.

Police may be watching as many 90 homes throughout Big Spring at any given time, according to the sergeant.

Local neighborhood watch programs, however, have proven to be the most effective deterrent to burglaries, he said.

Police are more than willing to help organize one — all it takes is the cooperation of neighborhood residents.

"Basically, it's people looking out for each other. If anybody sees anything suspicious or out of the ordinary they should give us a call. We'll be out there to check it out," Armstrong said.

Once an area has been designated as part of the neighborhood watch program, signs are placed at the beginning and end of that block, he said.

In films Armstrong uses in his presentations, he said professional burglars admit that police and alarms do little to prevent them from plying their trade, but neighborhood watch programs are a different matter.

"One guy who's in prison says 'it was those damn neighborhood watch programs that got me caught,'" Armstrong said.

Presentations on drug abuse at Big Spring public schools are another feature of the crime prevention program, Armstrong said.

"I can gear them for students of any age group," he said. The police department also periodically has bicycle registrations that can attract between 200 and 300 children.

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Alabama stuck with PCB waste

WASHINGTON (AP) - The head of the Environmental Protection Agency is sticking by the agency's decision to bury more than 40,000 tons of PCB contaminated dirt from an abandoned Texas Superfund site at a west Alabama landfill, despite heated protests from Alabama officials.

EPA Administrator Lee Thomas, during an hour-long meeting Thursday with Alabama congressional and state officials, turned down their request that shipment of the dirt from Houston to Emelle be delayed at least until October, so Congress would have time to address the problem legislatively.

But Thomas did promise the Alabama officials that the transfer of the contaminated dirt to Emelle would not begin before next month at the earliest, because EPA first must determine if Chemical Waste Management Inc., which operates the landfill, has violated its federal landfill permit.

Porter said a possible violation could delay the planned shipment of the PCB-contaminated dirt from Texas, but he declined to speculate on whether it could lead to a cancellation of Waste Management's contract to dispose of the dirt from the Geneva site.

The company, which has a \$16 million contract with EPA to dispose of the PCB-contaminated dirt from the Geneva Industries site in Houston, must be in compliance with all federal environmental laws before any of the dirt can be shipped to Emelle.

The meeting Thursday, arranged by Sen. Richard Shelby, D-Ala., was the second time in less than a month that Alabama officials have met with Thomas to protest the EPA decision to dispose of the PCB-contaminated dirt at Emelle.

"This issue is not going to go away," Shelby said after the meeting, which was dominated by complaints from Alabama officials that they were not notified for more than two years of EPA's decision.

"We look to you to protect the people," Rep. Tom Bevill of Jasper told Thomas, adding later, "We've got to have someone to protect us against ya'll. I've never seen anything quite like this."

Rep. Ronnie Flippo of Florence told Thomas he was concerned that disposal of the contaminated dirt at Emelle would set a precedent that would turn the west Alabama landfill into "the dumping ground of PCB contaminants in the United States."

But Thomas said the Geneva case will not set a precedent. He said Emelle was chosen as the disposal site because of technical reasons and because it was \$16 million cheaper to bury the dirt there than to burn it at an incinerator in Texas.

Jordan planning party support

AUSTIN (AP) - Former U.S. Rep. Barbara Jordan, still hospitalized from her weekend swimming pool accident, says she's feeling much better and ready to do her part for the Democratic Party this fall.

"I really feel great. All I know is right now, I could not die because this is the Democrats' year and I have got to be around to celebrate it," said Ms. Jordan, 52, who was in fair condition Thursday at Brackenridge Hospital following a near-drowning.

Sitting in a chair in her hospital room, Ms. Jordan remarked on the good wishes she has received from across the nation.

"I have received cards, telegrams, letters, flowers from all over this country," she said. "If I did have the desire to return to active politics, I think I could make a good run at national office."

However, the former three-term congresswoman and first black state senator in Texas history said she has no plans to leave her current post at the university.

"My plans were and are to continue to teach... and to continue to educate young minds to take over this country," she said.

Ms. Jordan is being treated in the hospital's critical care unit. Doctors said she may remain hospitalized for about four more days.



AUSTIN - Former Congresswoman Barbara Jordan gives the University of Texas "hook 'em horns" salute as she sits in her hospital room. Jordan was hospitalized Saturday after a near-drowning. Associated Press photo

'River Walk' name in jeopardy

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - San Antonio city officials plan to seek legal advice on an attempt by a New Orleans project to copyright the name "River Walk," the name of one of San Antonio's most famous tourist attractions.

"We think it's a generic term," Assistant City Attorney Kevin Scanlan told the San Antonio Light Thursday. "It's a commonly used term. There are several of them."

City officials plan to meet with members of a local law firm today to see what action can or should be taken about the application filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Scanlan said.

"It's (trademark law) a very specialized area. We have a lot of options. We need to see what we can do," he added. "I think we'll be successful. It's been called the River Walk since 1929."

Gayle Spencer of the Paseo Del Rio Association said she was shocked when she heard of the action taken by the Rouse Co. in the River Walk project in New Orleans.

"It doesn't make sense to copyright something you have copied," Ms. Spencer said.

"They're essentially copying the successful project here."

The attempt to copyright the River Walk name was discovered by Fort Lauderdale, Fla., officials attempting to open their own version of the popular attraction, Scanlan said.

The Trademark Trial and Appeal Board in Washington, D.C., is expected to rule on the matter within a couple of months, Feldman said.

"We filed an opposition to the Rouse application," Feldman said. "There is a motion to dismiss (the Fort Lauderdale motion)."

Rouse officials could prohibit others from using the River Walk name or charge them for doing so if granted the trademark, Feldman said.

"The idea is to get a settlement so that everyone can use the River Walk name in their locality," Feldman said. "The worst scenario is that we would have to get a license to use the name."

The pending application was discovered about a year ago, and San Antonio officials were notified about six weeks ago, Feldman said.

Beggars a problem in El Paso

EL PASO (AP) - Billboards urging people not to give to panhandlers haven't driven beggars away from the Interstate 10 access road. Neither have mass arrests.

Mayor Jonathan Rogers worries that only the accidental death of a beggar will persuade others to stay away from a 2-mile-long stretch of access road east of downtown.

Some panhandlers, organized and determined, even "rent" children for \$1 a day to elicit more sympathy and cash. And some police and Border Patrol officials suspect that some of the beggars belong to an organization that transports them to various intersections, then shares in the day's take.

"It's just a matter of time until someone gets killed," Rogers said Thursday. "We have to hope to God it's not one of these women with the rented kids. The only way people are going to stop giving is when the first death happens. When's that going to happen? This afternoon?"

On the busiest street corners, it's common to see two or three women walking past the stopped cars, rapping on windows and asking for change. Most of the women hold young children who appear to be sedated. Young men wipe windshields with dirty rags and demand payment.

"It's certainly annoying to a lot of the traveling public," said Mike Williams, deputy chief Border Patrol agent. "I know I don't like it when somebody pushes a dirty rag across my windshield or knocks on my car window asking for money."

City Councilman Ed Eisey, whose district includes the area where most panhandlers congregate, said Thursday that the beggars do more than tie up traffic. He said he has received hundreds of complaints from intimidated drivers.

Police cracked down Wednesday, when plainclothes officers arrested 36 people. Twenty-four beggars were turned over to the Border Patrol to be voluntarily returned to Mexico. Grijalva said the raids will continue periodically.

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Libraries — a nest for spies?

Some years ago, an FBI agent on the trail of a foreign spy saw his suspect duck into a university library. Peeking through the door, he saw the man chatting with a librarian and busily rummaging through all sorts of books — books about technology and computers and science.

Our FBI agent cursed under his breath. "It's one thing to steal America's secrets," he thought to himself. "But the never of these guys, running off with our public information."

This is our fantasy of how the Federal Bureau of Investigation gave birth to one of the sillier surveillance programs we have seen in recent times: the FBI's library awareness program.

How it really began — and who actually invented it — we don't know. But it certainly did involve efforts to recruit librarians as fellow spy-watchers.

In one instance, a librarian was asked to give an FBI agent the names of all the people who checked

out a certain book. Another outlandish request was that a librarian provide the FBI with a list of book borrowers with foreign-sounding names.

As one FBI agent noted, his agency knew who among those foreign-sounding people they were watching. But the hapless librarian had no way of knowing whether he was turning in a KGB agent or the butcher down the block, whose parents migrated from the Old Country.

The FBI shouldn't put librarians on the spot. The American Library Association has made it clear that, from the librarians' perspective, promoting the free flow of information in our society doesn't mean tattling freely on who's borrowing what book. In fact, 37 states have passed laws protecting the confidentiality of library users. Those states that don't have such a law probably should adopt one soon — with no exceptions made for the FBI.

Gaffe gives Gipper headache once more

By W. DALE NELSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — There you go again, Mr. President. Ronald Reagan, the great communicator, the man who is seldom at a loss for words, has gotten himself into trouble once more with his glib tongue.

Once, he spoke into a live microphone and jested about bombing the Soviet Union. Another time, he joked that he sometimes withheld information from Congress.

Now he's called Democratic presidential nominee Michael Dukakis "a mess," and then said he was only kidding and shouldn't have said it.

Actually, what he said was, "I think I was kidding." Dukakis said no apology was needed. His running mate, Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas, called the president's remark "outrageous and laughable." Vice President George Bush declined to comment.

Reagan is no stranger to this kind of problem. The most recent time he said something that he immediately had to regret was on March 16 when he was meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir in the Oval Office.

A reporter asked him to comment on his former national security adviser, Robert McFarlane, pleading guilty to misdemeanor charges of withholding information from Congress.

"He just pleaded guilty to not telling Congress everything it wanted to know," said Reagan. "I've done that myself."

As reporters left the room, he told Shamir, "Oh, boy, just for that careless remark they'll go wild about 'Reagan wants to lie to Congress' or something."

Then there was the time, on Aug. 11, 1984, that the president was doing a voice test for his weekly radio broadcast. Although his words weren't going out onto the air, they were fed into the White House press room where reporters were preparing to cover his remarks.

"All right, my fellow Americans, I am pleased to tell you today that I have signed legislation that will outlaw Russia forever. We begin bombing in five minutes."

The president hasn't heard the last of that one yet. It wasn't the only time he used

his sound tests for some humor that didn't get on the air, but did get reported.

Once, he opened up with "Welcome to Death Valley Days" — the television program he used to host.

On another occasion, while warming up by reading his prepared text for a speech about the economy, he added, "And I am prepared to tell you, it's a hell of a mess."

Another time, he cracked, "Call the city desk. I've got a story that will crack this city wide open."

Still another time, in a pre-broadcast warm-up at his California ranch in 1982, he referred to the leaders of Poland as "a bunch of no-good, lousy bums."

Wednesday's fracas arose when a reporter asked the president, as he prepared to leave the White House briefing room after a question-and-answer session, whether he didn't think Dukakis should release his medical records.

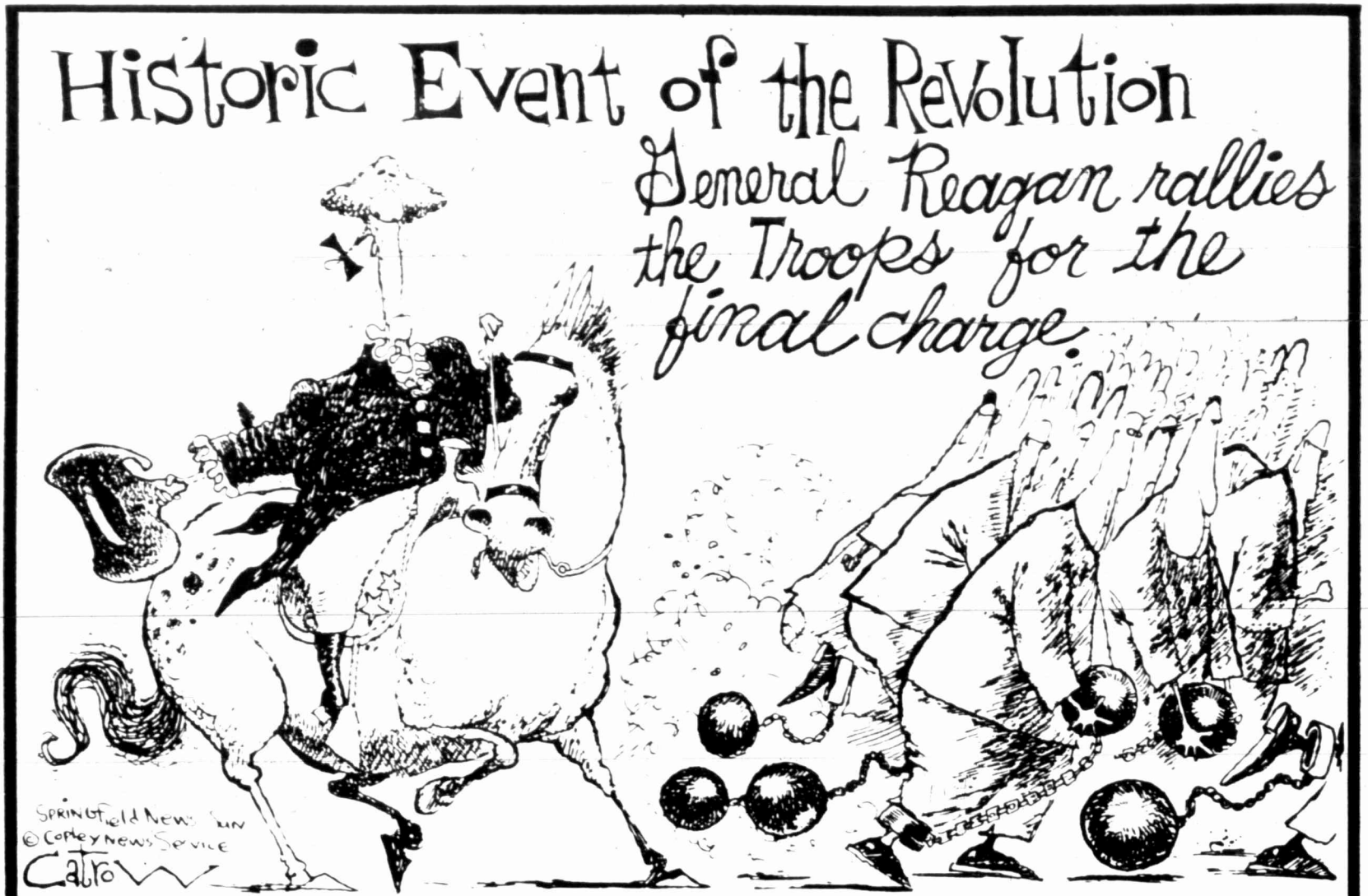
Grimacing, the president replied, "I'm not going to pick on an invalid."

A few minutes later, meeting with news executives for a briefing on Central America, he opened his remarks by saying, "A short time ago, I was down in the press room and I attempted a joke in response to a question, and — I think I was kidding — but I don't think I should have said what I said."

As Dukakis said, "We all occasionally misspeak."

Some of us just do so more often than others.

EDITOR'S NOTE: W. Dale Nelson covers the White House for The Associated Press.



Turner's 'portrait' an awkward 'whitewash'

By WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY JR.

If you want to lift your eyes for a tiny moment from events in the convention center in Atlanta, let them travel to another part of the city that is the headquarters of the Turner Broadcasting Co.

This is the outfit that has given us the most innovative (and valuable) TV programming idea of the decade: Round-the-clock news. That news is reported evenhandedly.

But the strangest transformation since the discovery of the transsexual operation is what has happened to Ted Turner, the founder of CNN. He has become a Soviet apologist. In fact, his stuff is so red it would embarrass the Daily Worker to publish it.

But not the Encyclopaedia Britannica, and here lies the story. Last March, Turner Educational Services, which is an arm of the broadcasting company, aired a 7-hour program called "Portrait of the Soviet Union." The next thing we knew, Turner teamed up with the Encyclopaedia Britannica to take those seven hours and run them for the education of schoolchildren.

And this notwithstanding the universal panning received when "Portrait" was broadcast on WTBS. The first sentence of Washington Post reviewer Tom Shales, who guards the liberal tablets in this world as Fafner guarded the Nibelungs' treasures, was, "Does Ted Turner have a few thousand acres in the Urals that he's trying to unload?"

Shales was just warming up — "This is not a 'Letter from the USSR.' It's more like a postcard from Binky and Biff at Camp Whitewash."

Even so, the E.B. people undertook to make it a seminal instrument for the instruction of America's schoolchildren. How bad is the Turner portrait of the U.S.S.R.?

• The Kremlin used to belong to the czars. "Now, it belongs to the people."

• What did Lenin face when he took over Russia? His party "needed to mold a new kind of citizen, one who would embody all the virtues of the socialist ethic — clean-limbed, right-thinking and dedicated to the state. The kind of model superperson that would be a shining example to all."

• What is the goal of communism? "A highly developed people, giving freely all they can to a society and in return taking back all they need."

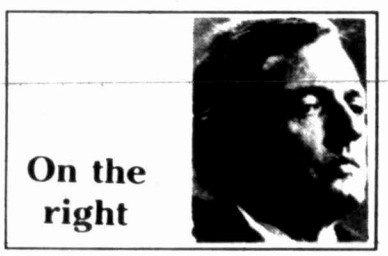
• How has the Soviet Union dealt with its artists? "Just outside of Moscow, living in the most amazing grace, is an enclave of top Russian artists. (These) princes of literature have their homes in this Russian Beverly Hills."

• Is there freedom of religion in the Soviet Union? Forgive me, "Atheist though the state may be, freedom to worship as you please is enshrined in the Soviet constitution."

• But haven't the Soviet Union's managers in fact failed to create an advanced society? Horsefeathers. "It's modernization on a grand scale — a great success."

• Didn't a dozen million citizens perish in Siberia as the result of the policy of Gulag? Siberia "used to be a one-way ticket to exile; it's now a chance for young Soviets to do something for their country, make some extra money, maybe even start a whole new life."

• Don't Soviet history books lie about everything? Well, "increasingly, Soviets feel it is essential for the young, indeed everyone, to



On the right

have an honest account of their own history."

• Could it be that all this time, all these years, our thoughts about Lenin and Stalin and Khrushchev and Brezhnev and Andropov were mistaken? "The longer you're here, the more you discover how many wrong ideas you have about the Soviets."

Ted Turner was accosted about this travesty on his own "Crossfire" feature. Pat Buchanan put it to him that this was the most concentrated pack of lies about the Soviet Union in one package since a broadcast by Goebbels.

His answer? "I wanted to go over there and paint a beautiful portrait of the Soviet Union." Pressed to explain the distortions, he just said it again. "Well, that's true, that's absolutely true, we went over there to paint a portrait, we painted a portrait, and I'm not going to apologize for it."

The wonderful irony is that when this beautiful portrait of the Soviet Union was exhibited IN the Soviet Union, the Soviet government ran a disclaimer, criticizing the program for failing to describe the harsh realities of the Soviet Union.

This was all too much for L. Brent Bozell III, chairman of the Media Research Center in Washington, who wrote to the Encyclopaedia Britannica distributors, and got back from Mr. Michael Jirasek, who is "manager, communications services," the dumbest letter of the year.

Jirasek's position is that whatever is told inadequately by the movie gets corrected by educational reading matter that accompanies it. So? Make a movie about how wonderful life was under Adolf Hitler in Germany, distribute it to all the schoolchildren, and then expose them to some light reading taking exception to this position.

The Kremlin should give Turner the Order of Stalin, except that the Kremlin would be embarrassed to associate Stalin with Turner's ideas of Stalin.



Lewis Grizzard

Catfish leads a dog's life

By LEWIS GRIZZARD

A great number of you have been kind enough to ask how my dog, Catfish, the black Lab, fared as the guest of honor at the recent First Annual Catfish Festival in Scottsboro, Ala.

For those who might not have read earlier, Catfish's Aunt Louise drove him over to Scottsboro for the festivities, which was Catfish's first public appearance.

When Aunt Louise returned with him that evening she couldn't wait to tell me.

"Your dog was wonderful," she said.

"He didn't embarrass me or the corporation?" I asked.

"Not in the least," she said. "You never know about a rookie at his first gig. He could have become nervous and bitten someone, committed an indiscretion during the parade or chased the 4:15 Greyhound from Birmingham."

"He was a perfect gentleman," said Aunt Louise.

"He let all the children pet him, he sat on command and never whined or barked once."

"Did the people seem to like him?" I asked.

"They loved him. He got to ride in a police car with the siren on, he appeared on two television shows, and they gave me a key to the city with his name on it."

This could be the start of an entire new career for Catfish.

Previously, by trade, he's been a shoe chewer, door scratcher and a squirrel chaser.

He grew out of his shoe chewing and now has his own door through which he comes and goes as he pleases.

He has remained ever vigilant on squirrel patrol, however. Every day of his life, he chases squirrels. He's never come close to catching one because they all run up trees, but doggedly, if you will, he continues his efforts.

But where might his new public career take him?

To other such festivals, of course. Also to shopping center openings; used car sales-aramas, Moose Club barbecues and perhaps even to a hog-calling contest or at least a rat killing.

After that perhaps he could catch on with a beer company like those other dogs, or appear in a dog food commercial.

(On second thought, I hate dog food commercials. We all know the dogs are starved when they finally get a bowl of dog food put in front of them, and how does Ed McMahon know Alpo tastes all that good? Has he ever eaten any?)

All the moment I'm also talking to Carson and Letterman, Earl Carson and Marvin Letterman, two guys who want Catfish to appear at the annual Red Bug Roundup.

I'm also negotiating with a man who wants Catfish to become national spokesdog for Sooper Dooper Doggie Scooper.



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Biaggi, four others convicted in Wedtech scandal

By JOHN M. DOYLE
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Rep. Mario Biaggi, a one-time hero cop, and four other people were convicted Thursday of racketeering for turning the now-defunct defense contractor Wedtech Corp. into an enterprise that paid out millions in bribes to public officials.

"We're obviously disappointed, and we're going to appeal," Biaggi, 70, said outside the courtroom. His attorney, James LaRossa, said Biaggi would make a full statement at a news conference Friday.

The verdicts came in the fifth day of the jury's deliberations.

Biaggi, a city police officer from 1942 to 1965 and at one time the most decorated policeman in the country, was convicted of all but one of the 16 counts against him, including conspiracy, extortion, tax evasion and receiving bribes. He was acquitted of one count of mail fraud.

Also convicted of racketeering were former Bronx Borough President Stanley Simon, 58; Wedtech founder John Mariotta, 58, of

Scarsdale; Peter Neglia, 40, of Armonk; and Biaggi's former law partner, Bernard Ehrlich, 59, of Bedford.

Biaggi's eldest son, Richard, 39, of Fort Lee, N.J., was acquitted of racketeering charges but convicted of bribe receiving, mail fraud and tax charges.

Mario Biaggi faces up to 20 years in prison on the racketeering counts, which are the most serious charges. He previously was sentenced to 30 months in prison for his 1987 conviction in Brooklyn for obstructing justice and taking an illegal gratuity.

Biaggi, sitting closest to the jurors, never looked at them during the verdict. After his conviction on the first count, he spoke quietly to his attorney. He then removed his glasses, rubbed his eyes and shook his head.

Later, Biaggi went to the building nurses' office and his private physician was called to examine him. He later left the building by a side entrance to avoid photographers.

The staff of the House Ethics

Committee recommended earlier this year that the New York Democrat be expelled for the 1987 conviction, but the committee put off action until he could defend himself.

House Ethics Committee spokesman John Davison said Thursday he could not comment on the new conviction or its possible effect on the committee's schedule, although he noted that the committee was to meet Tuesday on pending business.

U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani, whose office prosecuted the case, called on Congress to expel Biaggi. "I would suggest maybe it's time they acted," he said. "This congressman has been convicted of numerous federal felonies."

Biaggi was convicted of extorting \$50,000 in cash and stock once worth more than \$3 million from Wedtech in exchange for his political clout. He also was convicted of filing false financial disclosure statements and income tax returns to cover up his illegal profits.

After the younger Biaggi was

cleared of the racketeering counts, he walked across the courtroom and hugged and kissed his father.

U.S. District Judge Constance Baker Motley scheduled sentencing for Nov. 18. All six of the convicted defendants remained free on bail.

Prosecutors also sought forfeiture of ill-gotten gains by the defendants convicted of racketeering. After huddling with defense lawyers, they agreed that Biaggi and Ehrlich would have to pay \$350,000 each; Simon \$25,000 and Mariotta, who was convicted of numerous tax evasion and bribery charges, \$11.7 million. Neglia did not have to forfeit any money.

Originally, the jury found Richard Biaggi guilty of racketeering and conspiracy.

But Motley voided that part of the verdict after a prosecutor said the panel had erred in those findings because the jury had found that the younger Biaggi had committed only a single racketeering act, and at least two must be committed in order to uphold a racketeering conviction.



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Compromise OK'd by farm lawmakers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Both houses of Congress are expected to act next week on a \$3.9 billion drought aid compromise calling for a three-month dairy price-support increase but limiting feed assistance for livestock producers.

"The bill we have completed seeks to ensure the future for our farmers and ranchers," Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick J. Leahy, D-Vt., said Thursday night after a conference committee agreed to the measure.

House Agriculture Committee Chairman E. "Kika" de la Garza, D-Texas, said floor action would come Thursday at the latest but that he would try for accelerated handling and final approval Monday or Tuesday.

Fast action also was expected in the Senate. Farm lawmakers in both houses were forecasting overwhelming approval for the election-year measure.

President Reagan was expected to sign the bill. Its \$3.9 billion price tag represents a steep cut from levels at which administration budget officials said lawmakers would start to flirt with nasty fiscal repercussions.

At the core of the measure is a feature that would pay farmers with 65 percent of lost earnings beyond 35 percent of the expected harvest.

Larger payments would be available for farmers very severely hurt by the fierce heat and shortage of rainfall plaguing the nation's heartland.

The bill would furnish such producers with 90 percent of losses over 75 percent of their expected harvest. It represented a compromise between the 95 percent level the House approved and the 85 percent passed by the Senate.

Conferees fenced verbally without agreeing on much in sessions Thursday morning and early afternoon. Leahy and de la Garza



NEW YORK — Two construction workers sweat it out on the job at a Manhattan building site Wednesday as record heat continues to blast New York and the rest of the country. Temperatures this week are expected to near 100 degrees.

finally went behind closed doors with top Republican members of the conference committee.

They emerged Thursday night with a compromise that was swiftly agreed to by other members of the conference committee.

The compromise jettisoned a Senate-passed provision that would provide government feed assistance to farmers who would not ordinarily be producing their own feed even if not for the drought.

Agriculture Secretary Richard Lyng said Wednesday he would be reluctant to recommend

the feature to Reagan because the price tag was \$2 billion.

Instead, the conferees opted for a House-passed provision that would provide assistance to livestock producers who also produce their own feed. The price tag would be \$800 million by administration estimate.

Livestock feed has become a key to the drought issue. Heat and a lack of rain have scorched a substantial quantity of hay and feed grains in the midcontinent, causing feed prices to shoot up.

Retained by the compromise was

the one major dispute that the conferees had resolved earlier: a House provision that would raise the dairy price-support level in April through June next year by 50 cents to \$11.10 for each 100 pounds of milk.

Leahy voted "aye" to the dairy plan while all of the other Senate conferees remained silent. The Senate chairman's home state is a major source of the East Coast's milk supply.

"The Senate recedes to the House by one weak aye," de la Garza chortled.

Unemployment rises to 5.4 percent in July

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's civilian unemployment rate edged up 0.1 percentage point to 5.4 percent in July as the number of jobless Americans climbed 170,000, most of them teen-agers, the government said today.

The Labor Department's monthly survey of households nationwide showed only 41,000 more people at work last month, in contrast to an employment gain of 823,000 in June, when out-of-school teen-agers flooded the job market.

The unemployment rate for most segments of the population was unchanged last month, teenage joblessness, however, rose 1.6 percentage points to 15.2 percent. Teen-agers accounted for 144,000 of the 170,000 rise in unemployment.

A separate survey of business payrolls showed a much healthier labor market, with the creation of 285,000 jobs in July — 150,000 of them in retail trade and manufacturing.

Factory employment climbed by 70,000 to 19.6 million. That is 200,000 more assembly line jobs than existed three months ago and 540,000 more than in July 1987.

The commissioner of labor statistics, Janet L. Norwood, said the July factory payroll growth "would have been even greater were it not for the absence from payrolls of about 15,000 workers in the shipbuilding and lumber industries who went on strike."

Employment in retail trade jumped by 80,000, matching June's strong growth. In the rapidly expanding business and health care service industries, however, job growth slowed to

65,000, about half what it had been running in recent months.

Wholesale trade added 25,000 workers, mostly in the distribution of durable goods. Ms. Norwood said wholesale trade employment has been growing by 25,000 to 30,000 jobs a month since last fall.

Economists are increasingly relying on the business payroll information rather than on the household survey — from which the jobless rate is calculated — as a better indicator of the health of the economy.

Over the last year, employment growth has averaged 200,000 a month in the household survey, but 325,000 a month in the payroll report.

"One reason for the more rapid employment growth in the business survey may be a possible increase in multiple job holding, which often occurs when the demand for labor is very strong," Ms. Norwood said.

The payroll survey counts each job a person holds while the household survey counts only the number of employed respondents.

Ms. Norwood said it is also possible that some workers are moving more rapidly from one job to another because of tight labor markets in some areas of the country.

"Whenever this occurs within a single pay period," she said, "the business survey counts both jobs, whereas the household survey counts the worker only once."

An unemployment calculation including the 1.7 million members of the uniformed armed forces stationed in the United States also stood at 5.4 percent.

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Lifestyle

El Paso teen-agers teach English skills



Volunteer

Sue Hickman, top, from Odessa, and Roberta Denson, right, from El Paso, both from the West Texas Territory Field Service Office of the Red Cross, read along with Martha Moody after she was given an award commemorating her 50 years of service with the Red Cross at a banquet in her honor Tuesday at the Brandin Iron Inn. Moody, who donates her time to the Red Cross at the Big Spring Veterans Administration Medical Center, has also logged over 20,000 hours of service.

EL PASO (AP) — Maria de Jesus James relaxes at a table littered with books, pondering the magic of simple English.

She stumbles on the word "street," her eyes asking the teacher for a little help.

Sergio Silva comes to her rescue. To Mrs. James, it doesn't matter that Silva, a junior at Jefferson High School, is barely half her age. "He's very patient," she said. "I want to learn English to help my children and communicate better with my husband."

Mrs. James learns survival English at the Tays public housing community hall in South El Paso.

Silva is among 14 teen-agers from El Paso, Socorro and Ysleta teaching English and reading skills to adults and children at the El Paso Boys Club and five public housing projects this summer. The program is called Project Read.

The students — mostly women — show up faithfully five days a week for roll call at the Tays project.

Learning is informal. Little groups study English at different levels of proficiency in a room aglow with children's artwork but lacking air conditioning.

They could be more comfortable at home, watching the mid-afternoon novelas on television.

The program attracts different groups. Some are working toward permanent residency under the recent amnesty law. Others just want English skills to fill out job applications.

"They're very enthusiastic about learning," said Maria Padilla, a University of Texas-El Paso psychology student supervising the Tays project.

Rosario Ortiz, mother of five, explained her motives: "I can understand English, but speaking and writing it is more difficult."



EL PASO — Sergio Silva, left, tutors Maria de Jesus James with her English recently in El Paso. Silva is a high school student who helps teach English and reading skills to adults.

Luis Antonio Valenzuela figures his new English skills will make his job easier at an El Paso bowling alley.

Ruby Carrillo, a recent Bowie High School graduate, signed up as a tutor to earn money for her schooling next fall at Texas A&M University.

"It's given me some insight, helping me how to deal with people," she said.

Judy Saenz, 17, a junior at El Paso High School, said: "I've learned responsibility. In a way, I'm helping these people achieve their dream."

Brenda Puga, a junior at

Eastwood High School, helps South El Paso children brush up on English and reading.

"This will help out community," she said. "Being Hispanic, we're sometimes blind to English literacy."

Project coordinator Lina Fresca-Dobbs estimates teen-age tutors reach more than 100 adults and children daily at six sites.

"It's like an internship in public

service, giving high school students a meaningful job experience," she said.

The students conducted a community literacy survey and trained to become tutors.

"The tutors are reaching a good number of adults and a great number of children," Ms. Fresca-Dobbs said. "This will make a definite impact."

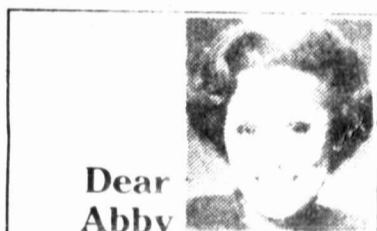
Couple's trip to the altar on the back burner

DEAR ABBY: For the last 22 years, "X" and I have been living together as man and wife. Please don't go into shock, but we have four sons. They are 19, 16, 13 and 11 years old. Absolutely no one knows that "X" and I are not married.

This has bothered me for 22 years, but every time I bring it up, I get more excuses than you can imagine. He won't get married in the state we live in because his friends and family might see it in the newspaper. We can't go out of state for so many reasons you wouldn't believe. We've had our share of ups and downs just like married couples — the only difference between us and them is that they are married and we're not. We are living in a state that does not recognize common-law marriages.

I've thought so many times of leaving him, but I couldn't support the three younger boys alone. (I'm on disability.) He has told me many times that he will not support them by himself. I left him once and had to come back because I couldn't support them myself.

The longer this goes on, the more upset I get. I just don't know what



Dear Abby

to do anymore. Nothing jars this man. Talking to him is like talking to a brick wall. I hope you, or your readers, have a suggestion for me. I can't sign my name, but this is my living situation.

DEAR LIVING: You are living with a man for 22 years and having four of his children. You are entitled to certain rights. Get in touch with your local Legal Aid office, a women's rights group or your Family Services Association and find out what you can do. You cannot force a man to marry you, but it will give you protection and know to what you are entitled. Good luck.

DEAR ABBY: I have a question that only you can answer. I recently had a child, a son, and my daughter and wife told me that

band's family — specifically my mother-in-law — that the gifts were supposed to be opened. She said everyone opens gifts at a christening.

Well, I didn't think it was appropriate since it wasn't a shower for me, it was for my daughter. Anyway, I didn't open the gifts and my mother-in-law was very angry. As she left, she was still commenting on how wrong I was.

I understand there aren't any set rules on this subject, but I would like to have your opinion. Was I... RIGHT OR WRONG?

DEAR RIGHT: I think you were wrong. Since usually only family and very close friends attend a christening, it would have given the occasion a festive air to have opened the baby's gifts. Guests enjoy seeing what others have brought and showing what they have selected.

DEAR ABBY: This concerns your letter about common-law marriages.

I worked for the Allotment Division of the U.S. Air Force when it was moved to Denver from St. Louis, and the clerks had specified

criteria upon which to evaluate a claimed common-law marriage.

"Living together for a specified number of years" is not enough to constitute a common-law marriage as legal. The couple living together must be known as man and wife by friends, neighbors, associates and by the landlady. They must profess to being husband and wife and receive mail addressed to them as Mr. and Mrs. If their acquaintances, business associates and friends recognized that they are merely "living together," they do not qualify as a married couple.

Further, if a couple establishes a common-law marriage in a state where such is recognized as legal, the marriage is recognized as legal in all the other 49 states.

MARIE PERLMAN, DENVER
DEAR MS. PERLMAN: Thank you for some valuable legal information, particularly since the living-together lifestyle appears to be gaining popularity.

Tonya Stevenson honored at rice bag brunch

Tonya Stevenson, bride-elect of Bret Crenwelge, was honored at a rice bag brunch July 23 at the home of Mrs. Wayne (Londa) Henry.

Hostesses were Mrs. Delbert (Barbara) Donelson, Mrs. Jim (Sue) Balios, and Mrs. J.D. (Mary) Robertson.

Their gift to the couple was a waterbed sheet set.

Special guests were Mrs. Bob Moore, bride-elect's mother; Mrs. Joe Crenwelge, prospective

bridegroom's mother; Mr. and Mrs. Moore Jr., bride-elect's father and mother; Stephanie Crenwelge, bride-elect's sister; and Bret Crenwelge, prospective

bridegroom's sister.

Tables were decorated with floral arrangements in dusty rose and Air Force blue.

The couple will wed Saturday at a 1 p.m. ceremony at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

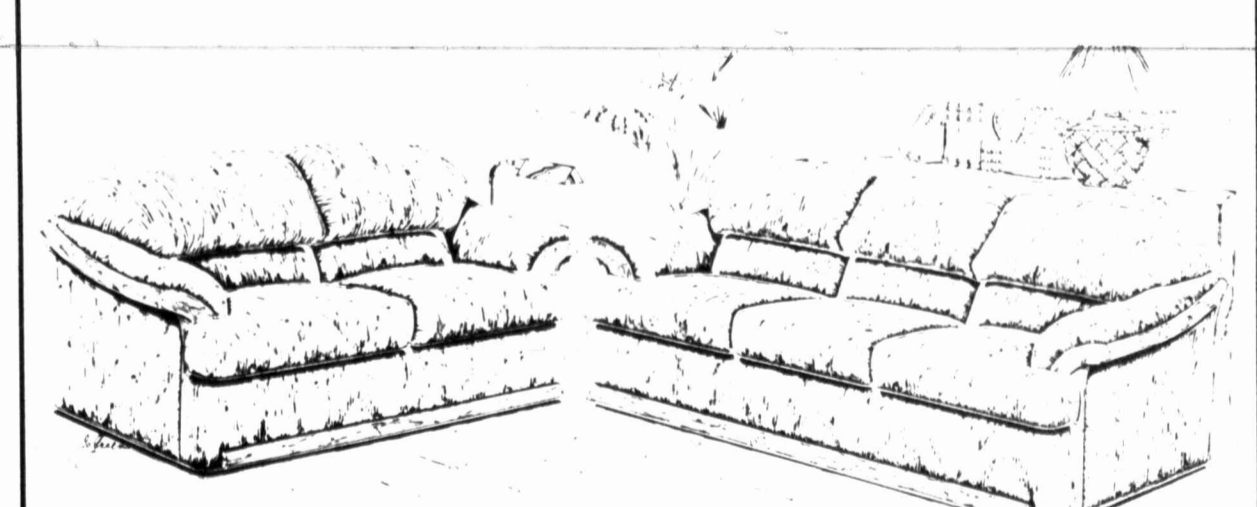
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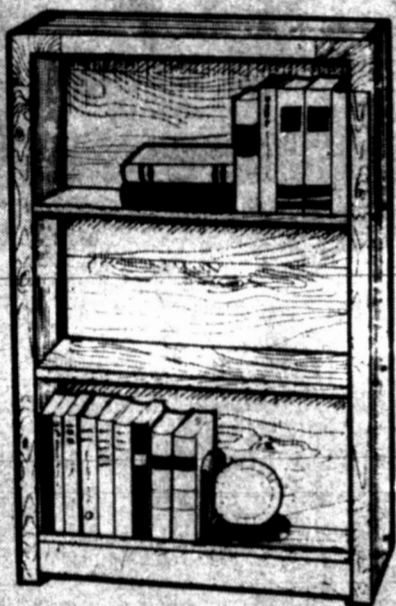
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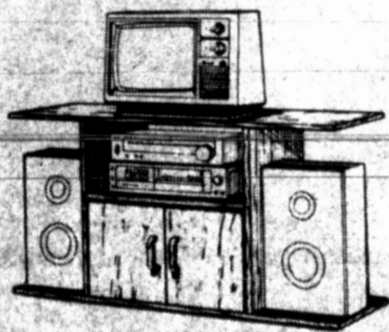
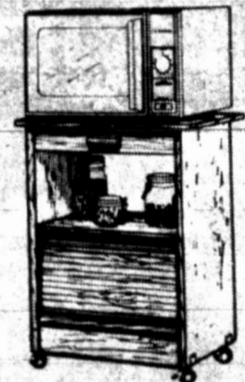
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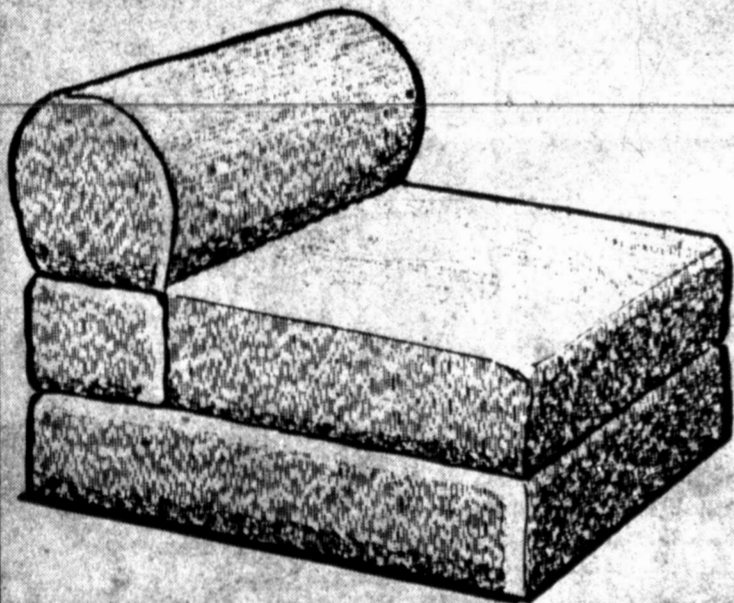
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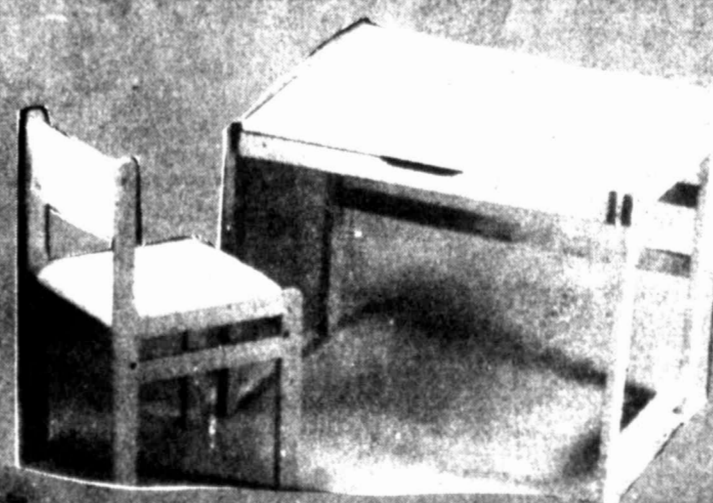
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Schools alter free lunch requirements

HERALD STAFF REPORT

Income requirements for receiving free or reduced price lunches in the Big Spring, Coahoma and Foran Independent School Districts for the 1988-89 school year have changed from last year.

Texas Education Agency's Division of School Lunch approved the changes for the state's public school districts.

The eligibility standard for receiving free meals this year has been increased to \$10,049 for a family of two to \$24,440 for a family of eight.

The eligibility standard for reduced price meals has been increased to a maximum of \$14,301 for a family of two to \$36,057 for a family of eight.

For each family member of a family of more than eight, \$2,548 to \$3,626 will be added to the maximum.

Eligibility determinations are made on a family basis. All children in the same family attending school under the jurisdiction of the same school food authority are to receive the same benefits — a free or reduced priced meal.

The charge for a reduced price meal is 40 cents. Students meeting the eligibility standards will receive both breakfast and lunch at free or reduced prices depending on the family's size and income.

Applications for the free/reduced price meal program offered by the school districts may be obtained from each school office. Parents are advised to pick up an application, fill it out and return it as soon as possible. Parents will be notified in writing of approval of the application.

Students new to the districts or entering a school for the first time will not be able to receive a free or reduced price meal until the application has been approved.

Students entering school with a brother or sister on the free/reduced price meal list from the 1987-88 school year will be added to the temporary list until applications for the 1988-89 school year are approved.

VA names employee of the month

Anthony Courville, readjustment counseling specialist at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, has been selected July employee of the month, according to Conrad Alexander, medical center director.

Courville retired from the Air Force in 1978. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Angelo State University in San Angelo. He is pursuing a master's degree in psychology.

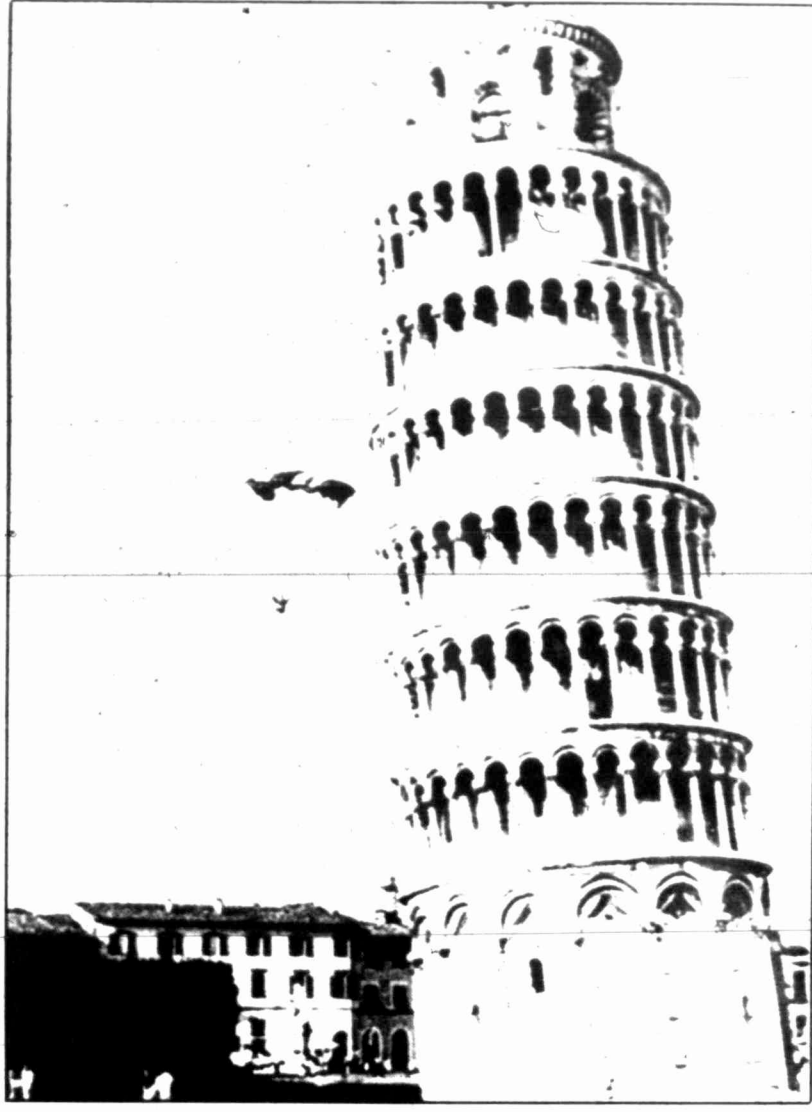
Academia

Tymi Brooks daughter of Bill and Theda Brooks, 4 Kiowa Circle, recently graduated from Angelo State University with a bachelor of business administration in finance. She graduated magna cum laude with a grade point average of 3.75.



TYMI BROOKS

Tymi was awarded a Carr Scholarship and a grant from Texas A&M University. She was a member of Alpha Chi and Alpha Lambda Delta and has accepted a position conducting financial analysis for Electronic Data Systems in Plano.



Leaning tower jump

ITALY — Mike McCarthy, of London, England, parachutes from the leaning tower of Pisa today. He claimed afterwards to have set a world record low-level parachute jump of 179 feet.

Court action

Among suits filed in 118th District Court recently are three with a common plaintiff: a Big Spring partnership which seeks to foreclose operator's liens on three oil leases.

• Mark M-Reynolds has filed three suits against owners of working interests in oil leases, alleging breach of joint operating agreements.

A suit filed against Jerry E. Stoehr on July 19 alleges a breach of an operating agreement signed June 23, 1982, regarding operations on a lease known as the Big Spring Frazier Lease.

That suit seeks to foreclose an operator's lien and recover \$1,376.22, plus attorney's fees, costs of suit and interest.

A suit filed against Grady E. Frazier on July 19 alleges that a joint operating agreement signed Jan. 21, 1982, for a lease called the Mark-M-R Big Spring 4A lease was breached and that the June 23, 1982 agreement on the Big Spring Frazier lease was also breached by Frazier.

The suit seeks \$2,427.98 in unpaid operator's payments on the Mark-M-R Big Spring 4A lease; \$1,376.22 in unpaid operator's payments on the Big Spring Frazier lease; foreclosure of the operator's liens on both leases; and attorneys' fees and court costs.

The third suit, filed against Steve D. Fryar on July 29, alleges that a joint operating agreement signed Jan. 3, 1983, for a lease known as the Mark-M-R Big Spring 3A lease

has been breached.

That suit seeks \$237.09 in unpaid operator's payments, attorney's fees and court costs, and foreclosure of the operator's lien on the 0.8125 percent of working interest in the lease owned by Fryar.

In other 118th District filings: • Cathey Construction filed suit July 25 against Charles H. Cox, doing business as Cox Construction, for \$570 in unpaid debt, \$1,000 in attorney's fees, and court costs and interest.

• Janet M. Arista filed suit July 27 against Utica National Insurance Co. of Texas, alleging that while she was an employee of Seguin Independent School District on April 29, 1987, she sustained an injury.

The suit seeks to appeal a decision of the Texas Industrial Accident Board and have compensation of not more than \$132.10 per week for not more than 401 weeks awarded to Arista in a lump sum following a new trial in the matter.

The suit also seeks payment of Arista's medical expenses, and of court costs.

• Tuffex Carpet Mills Inc. filed suit July 28 against Mike Arnett, doing business as Golden Gate Home Improvement, for \$5,843.84 in merchandise sold between Oct. 19, 1987 and Nov. 13, 1987.

The suit also seeks \$1,460.87 in attorneys fees and court costs.

• Martha Templeton filed a personal injury suit against Wal-Mart Stores Inc. on July 29.

Her suit alleges she was injured

by heavy boxes falling from a high shelf while shopping in the store on April 8, and that the injuries resulted from negligence in stacking those boxes.

The suit seeks damages in excess of the minimum jurisdiction of the court, medical expenses, interest and costs.

• Bruce Simmons filed suit July 19 against Texas Builders Insurance Co.

The suit seeks to recover workmen's compensation benefits plus medical costs totaling \$506 for a cervical sprain and muscle spasms resulting from an injury sustained Sept. 18, plus interest and court costs.

• Darrell Miller filed suit July 21 against American Honda Motor Company Inc. seeking \$4,500 plus medical expenses.








The suit alleges Miller was injured in a July 27, 1986 accident resulting from a defective main bearing in the 1986 Honda Magna motorcycle Miller purchased from A-1 Cycle Shop, Big Spring, in February 1986.

It also alleges the defective bearing caused the accident, which resulted in \$4,500 damages to the motorcycle.

• The State National Bank of Big Spring filed suit July 25 against the estate of A.K. Turner Jr., deceased, seeking \$165,203.46.

The suit alleges a note for \$125,000 was executed by Turner on Dec. 24, 1984, and that no payments had been made at the time of his death, Jan. 8, 1985.

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Oilers win exhibition opener, 13-9

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Oilers quarterback Brent Pease wasn't thinking as much against the Buffalo Bills so he played better.

"I'm a better game player because I tend to think too much in practice," Pease said. "We have two good young quarterbacks. Right now I don't think I'm No. 2."

Pease completed 8 of 15 passes and drove the Oilers to a 37-yard

go-ahead field goal by Tony Zendejas in a 13-9 NFL exhibition victory over Buffalo.

Pease, who led the replacement Oilers to a 2-1 record during the NFL players' strike last season, is battling Cody Carlson for the No. 2 quarterback position.

"I did well but I made some mistakes too," said Pease, who played the second half. "(Willie) Drewrey made two great catches

that weren't thrown so well."

Starting quarterback Warren Moon directed the Oilers on their only touchdown drive on the first series of the game and then sat out the rest of the game.

"I wanted to make sure I executed the plays we ran while I was in there because I knew I wouldn't play very much," said Moon, who completed three of three passes for 62 yards.

Buffalo's Kerry Brady kicked second quarter field goals of 33, 25 and 21 yards for a 9-7 halftime lead.

But Houston's Tony Zendejas kicked the go-ahead 37-yarder with 2:42 to go in the third quarter and added a 22-yarder with 11:20 left in the game.

Buffalo played their exhibition opener without starting quarterback Jim Kelly, recovering from an ankle injury.

Backup quarterback Frank Reich played the first half but suffered a shoulder injury and yielded to Stan Gelbaugh in the second half.

"The impressions I had (of Gelbaugh) were favorable," Buffalo Coach Marv Levy said. "He showed good touch—I thought he threw nicely."

X-rays on Reich's left shoulder were negative but Bills officials

weren't sure when Reich would return to practice.

Mike Rozier had runs of nine and 11 yards in the Oilers' touchdown drive and Moon hit running back Allen Pinkett on a 43-yard pass play to the Bills' one-yard line.

"It's great to get the win and still play all those people," Oilers Coach Jerry Glanville said. "It was fun to watch the first unit play."

Night life comes to Wrigley Field

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Cubs are anxious to see the lights. The end of an era for day baseball means a new age of more rest, more night life and maybe more victories.

"We'll be able to get some sleep," said Rick Sutcliffe, who will start the first night game at Wrigley Field on Monday. "It will have to help the club."

"I feel good I won't have to get there so early," Zimmer said. "I used to get to the park at 8 a.m. Now, I'll get there around 2, just like a road game."

Rookie Mark Grace, like his veteran manager, is already anticipating the switch.

"You won't have to wake up at the crack of dawn for batting practice," Grace said. "We'll get more sleep. That's got to help us."



CHICAGO — Light streams from three banks of lights as the Chicago Cubs held their first night practice July 25 at Wrigley Field. Twenty-six panels on six stands were built by General Electric Co.

at a cost of five-million dollars. Wrigley Field is the last major league park to install lights.

The 73-year tradition of afternoons at the friendly confines has long been lost on the Cubs and their visitors. The charm that is so unique for the fans is almost a nuisance for the players.

"If you asked the guys, more than half of them would prefer to play night games instead of day games," pitcher Greg Maddux said.

Especially this summer, one of the hottest in Chicago's steamy history. It used to be said that when the ivy died, so did the Cubs. Maybe all those draining days are the reason they haven't won the World Series since 1908.

"Because of the heat and humidity of day baseball at Wrigley Field, you have to watch your off-the-field activities. You have to take care of your body," Dawson said.

"Normally, I try to stay off my feet after games and take it easy," he said. "I don't usually go out at night."

Chicago, though, is one of the most popular cities on the National League circuit, right up there with Montreal and San Diego and on the opposite end from Houston and Pit-

tsburgh. That goes for both the Cubs and the other teams.

Darryl Strawberry of the New York Mets made a splash last year when he stayed at Lighthouse, a popular club, until the wee hours and was late for a game the next afternoon. He's not the first to run

into that trouble.

Other visiting players complained they had no chance to go shopping at Chicago's fine stores or see local attractions.

But day games, eight this season and 18 per year in the future, offer

new opportunities.

"I'll have no problem in adjusting my schedule," said Maddux, one of several Cubs who is engaged.

But Dunston, a newlywed who lives in Chicago year-around,

doesn't expect a big change.

"For the first few night games, we'll probably show up earlier than we would on the road until we get into a routine," he said. "But I don't plan on going out at night after those games. I'll be staying in with my wife."

Cowboys tackle suspended

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Dallas Cowboys second-year tackle Kevin Gogan has been suspended for 30 days because of a non-football illness.

Club officials would not comment Thursday on the type of illness or any treatment.



Good putt
MEDINAH, Ill. — Arnold Palmer sinks a putt in the opening round of the Senior Open Championship Thursday afternoon. Palmer finished the round with a three-over-par 75.

"Kevin Gogan had been placed on reserve for 30 days for a non-football illness. Kevin will not participate in team activities during this period of time," said Tex Schramm, Cowboys president and general manager.

Gogan, 6-7, 310, started 10 games at right tackle for the Cowboys last year, after being drafted in the eighth round from Washington. He was expected to start Saturday night when the Cowboys open their pre-season schedule against the Chargers in San Diego.

A few veteran players still holding out

"I'm shocked and disappointed," said Cowboys offensive line coach Jim Erkenbeck. "My next thought was 'What are we going to do now?'"

Erkenbeck said that 6-6, 297-pound rookie Dave Widell will move into the starting lineup.

Widell, a Boston College product, was the team's fourth-round draft choice in April. Erkenbeck has been impressed with his performance this summer, and feels he will capably man the right tackle position.

By The Associated Press
The agent likes to tell the story about his veteran player, for whom he thought he had worked out a great contract.

"It's all done," he told the player. "Just sign and you'll be ready to start camp."

"Hold off a little," the player replied. "Let's keep it going for a few weeks."

In fact, many NFL coaches have reason to be relatively happy this year about attendance at training camps. Most of the rookies, who need time to familiarize themselves with new systems, signed early; veteran holdouts, who already know those systems, can report with a couple of weeks left and be ready for the opener.

The large number of veterans out is due in large measure to last year's strike and the suit that ensued from it. Until three weeks ago, when Judge David Doty ruled that they still belonged to their teams, most of the high-priced veterans held out from signing.

But how many are serious holdouts?

Some certainly are — or were — like Willie Gault of the Bears, who was dealt to the Raiders a week ago; Tim McKyer and James Griffin of the 49ers; Ron Solt of the

Colts and Mike Merriweather of the Steelers, who's already in one of those bitter public feuds that has Coach Chuck Noll muttering:

"He's out of sight, out of mind. I don't know whether he'll play this year. We'll get the people ready we have here."

Then there are Chip Banks of the Chargers and Carl Banks of the Giants, unrelated except in the fact that they're both premier linebackers.

Chip Banks is a holdout — malcontent might be a better word — and was traded by the Browns last year for that reason. Now he wants to go to the Raiders because they seem to be trading for everyone else — like Gault and Jim Lachey.

"I hope he's kidding," says his agent, Harold Daniels.

The tipoff on Carl Banks, whose attitude is 180 degrees opposite

from Chip, is that he's already signed to do a radio show in New York starting in late August. Despite a lot of rhetoric — his agent, Dr. Charles Tucker, says he's prepared to sit out the season if he doesn't get his \$1 million a year — chances are good that he'll be signed by then.

In fact, Carl Banks' holdout may have already benefitted the Giants, who think Lawrence Taylor is having the best training camp of his eight-year career. Why? He's jealous that Banks made All-Pro last year and he made only second team and he wants to become the team's best linebacker again.

Some examples:

San Diego's Anthony Miller, the 14th pick this year, is getting about \$1.775 over four years while John Clay got \$1.5 million from the Raiders after being picked at the same spot. Ironically, Clay was just traded to the Chargers in the Lachey deal.

This year's No. 9, Dave Cadigan of the Jets, is getting \$2.075 million. Last year's Mike Junkin of the Browns, got \$1.732 million.

And this year's 11th pick, Michael Irvin of the Cowboys is getting \$1.875 million; last year's Shawn Knight of the Saints, \$1.675 million.

This comes after three years of declining salaries — the owners started cutting back in 1985, when the USFL, in its final throes, ceased competing for players.

"I think they looked at the balance sheet."

Howard signs two pitchers from Dallas-Ft. Worth area

With the signing of Bailey Deeds and Monty Jones, the Howard College Hawks have now inked 10 players for the upcoming baseball season.

Deeds hails from Denton where he attended Denton High School. The 6-4, 175-pounder is a versatile player, having played pitcher, first baseman, catcher and outfield.

The right-hander built up a host of impressive stats while living in Albuquerque, N.M., before moving to Denton for his senior year. In New Mexico he was best offensive player in 1986 and best defensive player in 1987. He '87 he was second in the state in strikeouts, made the Albuquerque All-City team and the American Legion All-State team.

This past year at Denton High, Deeds batted .229 with 12 RBI's and one homer. On the mound he compiled a 4-5 record with 65 strikeouts in 58 innings pitched. His earned run average was 3.50.

Deeds plans on majoring in sports medicine and is the son of Sylvia Ridgway.

Jones is from Cedar Hill, where he attended Dallas



MONTY JONES
Thomas Jefferson High School. The 6-0, 170-pounder is a left-handed pitcher-first baseman. He earned one baseball letter at Cedar Hills High School and three letters at Thomas Jefferson.



BAILEY DEEDS
This year he rolled up a 11-3 record with a 2.54 ERA. "Monty is rated as one of the top players in the state by Collegiate Baseball said Howard College assistant coach Frank Anderson. "He played in the state all-star game in the Astrodome." Jones wants to become an electrical engineer, and is the son of Nelson Jones.

Second-year pro Steve Cisowski and rookie free agents Russ Warwick and Zefron Moss are other candidates for duty at the right tackle position.

Gogan, who came to the Cowboys from the University of Washington, replaced Phil Pozderac as right offensive tackle last year after Pozderac retired following the football

NFL Notes
As the list of veteran holdouts from NFL camps continues to remain high, it's hard to tell how many are real and how many are the kind denoted above — the holdout prompted by the veteran who's had enough of two-day practices in 98-degree heat and humidity.

MONEY IN THE BANK
While a few NFL owners poornouth, they've quietly been paying this year's crop of rookies about 10 percent more on average than last year's.

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Founder defends approach

NEW YORK (AP) — A stimulating ally of the poor, the Rev. Gustavo Gutierrez, applies Christianity in ways that have prodded — and sometimes disturbed — the church world.

He is known as the father of "liberation theology," which has drawn both acclaim and denunciations. He lately discussed his approach to U.S. and international church audiences.

"To be a church of the poor is not to lose, but to affirm our identity," says the Peruvian Roman Catholic priest. "It is not to reduce the Gospel. It is to be more faithful to the Gospel."

Gutierrez, 60, of Lima, Peru, coined the phrase, "a theology of liberation" in a 1968 talk in a poor district, and later authored a seminal book by that name.

His ideas have ricocheted through modern church thought, elaborated by other theologians and gaining a widespread following, as well as some caustic and high-level criticism.

Humorously tweaking his own writings, he says:

"The Vatican has devised a new form of torture. They have made me defend what I have written. I have had to reread my writings three times!"

Marking the 20th anniversary of "liberation theology," he was honored at a mid-July ecumenical gathering at Maryknoll, N.Y., headquarters of the mission order of Maryknoll Fathers and Sisters.

Liberation theology is hinged to the Bible's special concern for the poor and Jesus' declaration of purpose to liberate the suffering and oppressed. It identifies with their political struggles for better conditions.

The movement is particularly strong among worker "base" communities in South America. Critics

have accused it of applying Marxist analysis to instigate class struggle and socialism.

Gutierrez says liberation theology, while using Marxist social analysis, "clearly excludes the possibility of adopting Marxism as a philosophical system which is in clear contradiction to a believer's perspective."

"This should be obvious to everyone."

The Vatican in 1984 condemned some forms of liberation theology, but then in 1986 offered a more positive assessment of it, recognizing values in it in pursuing social justice.

The critiques included some "relevant observations for myself," Gutierrez told National

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Catholic News Service. He said he became "more sensitive" to the need for varied approaches.

Among his observations culled by the National Catholic Reporter from his discourses at Maryknoll: "I am not interested in the future of liberation theology. I am interested in the liberation of my people."

"To announce liberation theology is to announce life, resurrection in the face of death."

"We must be friends of the poor. We do not love if we do not consider others as equals."

In an interview carried by Lutheran World Information service, Gutierrez denied liberation theology foments class struggle.

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Religion

Jail minister Teacher shares the word of God with inmates

By RUTH FRIEDBERG
Borger News-Herald

BORGER, Texas (AP) — Six years ago, Borger High School teacher and coach Roger McFarren took to heart a Biblical call to visit those in prison and became an interdenominational jail minister.

It was a vocation to which he says he believes the Lord directed him.

"It's quite a challenging job," McFarren, 48, said of his sideline, which has taken him to large prison units and small county jails across Texas.

"The Lord loves these men just like the Lord loves you and I. Many are from broken homes and divorces and we are admonished by the Lord that we should do this," McFarren said of his ministry, which works mainly through Gideon's International.

McFarren is head of Jail and Prison Ministry for Texas overseeing about seven other lay preachers. He says he believes being interdenominational helps them get access to more prisons than if they represented a specific denomination.

On a typical visit, the lay ministers hold a service in the prison mess hall, then distribute copies of the New Testament to inmates as the men head back to their cells. Sometimes the preachers hand out as many as 2,000, he said.

In an average year, McFarren may visit two to four prisons. Last year, he said the Gideons went to 13 prisons.

In addition, McFarren and Hugo Riemer of Stinnett try to cover every jail "from Amarillo north" each Sunday.

Recently, McFarren and Riemer went south, visiting a jail in Pecos where more than 80 men attended their service and 50 of those "Accepted Jesus for redemption," he said.

"Many of these men were very open and receptive to us in hearing the good news — the gospel of Jesus Christ," McFarren said.

Being a good Christian in prison is not always easy, he said.

"Outside of prison walls we live Christian lives daily, but behind prison walls it's different because you're made fun of," he said explaining that the jeers came "just because they're Christians or because they go to church inside the prison."

But, according to prison wardens, an estimated 80 percent of those that make fun end up back in prison, McFarren said.

"They go out and revert back to the type of life they know," he said.

"People are leary to hire them. They go back to the only way they know how to survive. Many are uneducated and a big percentage are dropouts," he said.

Some people might be afraid to visit people incarcerated for violent behavior, but McFarren says it doesn't bother him.

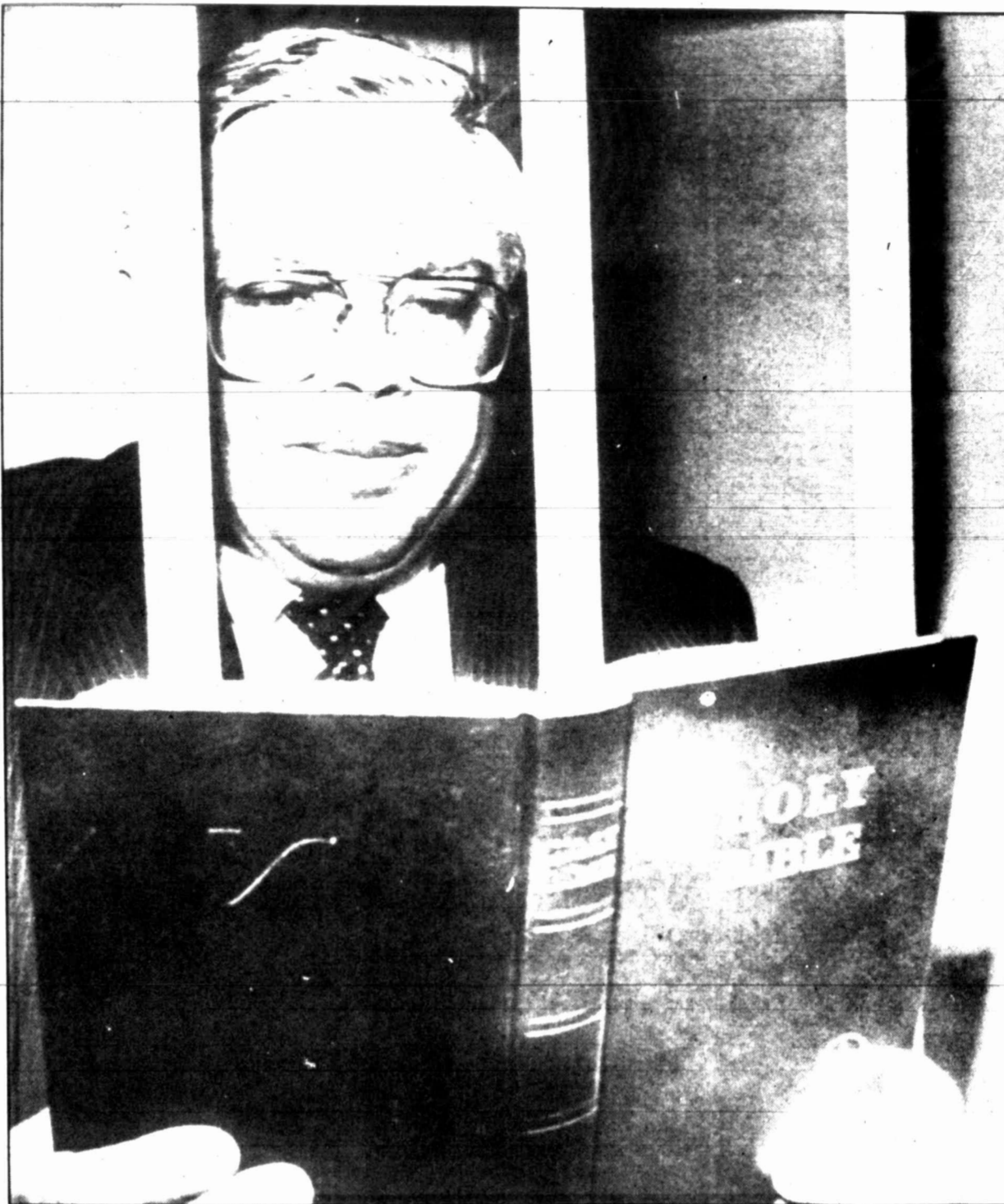
"It has never really affected me because of all the prayers that have gone up from local churches...and local Gideons. I never felt fear knowing that the Lord was with us."

Prayers from his wife, Joyce, and his children also see him through, he said.

Despite his six years of experience being face to face with hardened criminals, he said the most shocking thing he has experienced is seeing local youths in the Hutchinson County Jail at Stinnett.

But a benefit of his vocation and 25 years as a coach and teacher, McFarren says, is that he can spot the trouble signs in young people and has counseled several about their problems. He says sometimes problems are triggered by something as simple as parents not coming to see a child at a volleyball game.

"It's a great mission field in the public schools to witness to so many kids," he said.



BORGER — High school teacher and coach Roger McFarren poses in a jail recently. He took to heart a Biblical call to visit those in prison, and became an interdenominational jail minister.

Church briefs

Church hosts annual festival

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 508 N. Aylford, began its Summer Festival today and activities will resume at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Tamales will be sold for \$4 per dozen. A brisket dinner may be purchased at the educational center for \$4 per plate.

At 7 p.m. Mexican dinners and hamburgers will be available on the patio.

Activities include a cake walk, prize walk, 20 game booths and bingo.

Drawings for \$1,000, \$500, \$300, and two \$100 cash prizes will begin at 11:15 p.m. Saturday. Tickets may be purchased at the festival.

The festival is the church's annual fundraiser, said Esther Lopez, church member.

For more information, call 263-7884.

Prayer topic at retreat

The Women of First Church of God met Aug. 1 for an annual prayer retreat.

Virginia Chappell directed the program "Prayer, the Mightiest Force in the World" and "Praying With Your Eyes Open."

Her objective was to challenge women to pray more effectively by becoming aware of and involved in meeting the needs of their community and the whole world.

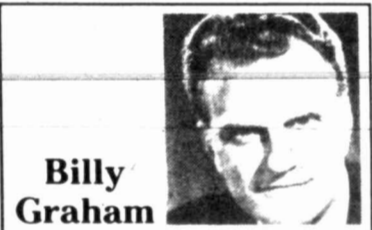
"We live in a world that needs the warmth of fellowship which comes through prayer," said Anna Smith, church reporter.

The next meeting will be Sept. 5.

The West Texas District Prayer Retreat will be conducted in Abilene at Briarstone Manor Aug. 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anna Smith, district president, will meet with Gail Dennis, vice president, Eastland, and Louise Harrington, Spiritual Life director, Odessa.

God is concerned about your spiritual growth

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I am disillusioned with our church. There is so much bickering and criticism of the pastor and everything else it seems, sometimes I just get fed up with it all. I grew up in this church, but do you think I should look for another?



Billy Graham

L.S.: The important thing is to seek God's will for this decision. God is concerned about your spiritual growth (as well as that of the rest of the congregation), and he knows what is best for you.

In some situations God would want a person to stay in a church that is having difficulties and seek to be one who brings Christ's love and healing to it. Paul's letters in the New Testament make it clear that some of the churches in the first century had their share of problems and divisions also. Yet God did not give up on them and their members were encouraged to "make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification" (Romans 14:19).

Do you pray for your pastor

regularly, and for those who have not been acting as they should? And do others see in your own life a love for others and a Christ-like spirit that is an example to them? On the other hand, God may lead you to another congregation where you (and your family) can grow spiritually and can serve him more fully. No church is perfect, of course — although a church that is marked by disputes and a lack of love is not bringing honor to Christ. But the key is to be sure you have committed your life to Jesus Christ, and that you want his will for your life. And remember that being a Christian involves not only going to church once a week. Christ wants us to live for him every day.

no matter what we are doing. "Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I didn't do as well as I had hoped in my high school grades this last year, and the reason is because almost everyone cheated on the final exam — except me. It makes me angry, and sometimes I think I was a fool. I guess you wouldn't agree with that, but why should I be made to pay for it when everyone else cheats and gets by with it? M.C.

DEAR M.C.: It is never foolish to do what is right — never. In fact, the Bible says that the person who gains anything dishonestly is actually a fool. "Like a partridge that hatches eggs it did not lay is the man who gains riches by unjust means. When his life is half gone, they will desert him, and in the end he will prove to be a fool." (Jeremiah 17:11)

Yes, in the short run it would seem you have lost and they have gained. But in the long run your

classmates who cheated are the ones who have lost. For one thing, by relying on cheating instead of really learning the material, they will have gaps in their education. In other words they have not learned the material they should have, and some day when they need that information they will not have it. For another thing, they are setting a pattern or habit of living that will ultimately hurt them. No employer, for example, will trust an employee who takes dishonest shortcuts.

Stick to your principles, no matter what others around you are doing. God will reward you for it. But more than that, make it your goal in life to be a follower of Jesus Christ. Have you ever given your life to him?

Yes, it is important to do what is right and to be honest. But beyond that, the most important thing in life is to realize that God put you here and he wants you to be part of his family through faith in Christ. Commit your life to him today.

Religion roundup

NEW YORK (AP) — Lebanon's Maronite patriarch of Antioch has urged Americans to help bring an end to foreign interference in Lebanese affairs, especially the flow of arms to Lebanese factions.

Patriarch Nasrallah Boutros Sfeir of the Eastern Rite of Roman Catholicism said on a visit at headquarters of the National Council of Churches.

Whenever these interferences stop, the Lebanese — Christian and Moslem — will be able to meet and agree on a determined governmental formula. They will again go forward with their country, that it can regain its place in the world and contribute to make peace.

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) — Lee Z. Steele, 68, religion editor of the Toledo Blade for 20 years and widely acquainted among religion leaders across the nation, died July 28 of cancer after several month's illness. Interfaith memorial services for her were scheduled Aug. 9 at the Medical College of Ohio.

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP) — The Baptist World Alliance, at a meeting of its general council, accepted affiliation of four new Baptist bodies, totaling 55,910 members. This brings to 144 the number of affiliated denominations, with memberships totalling

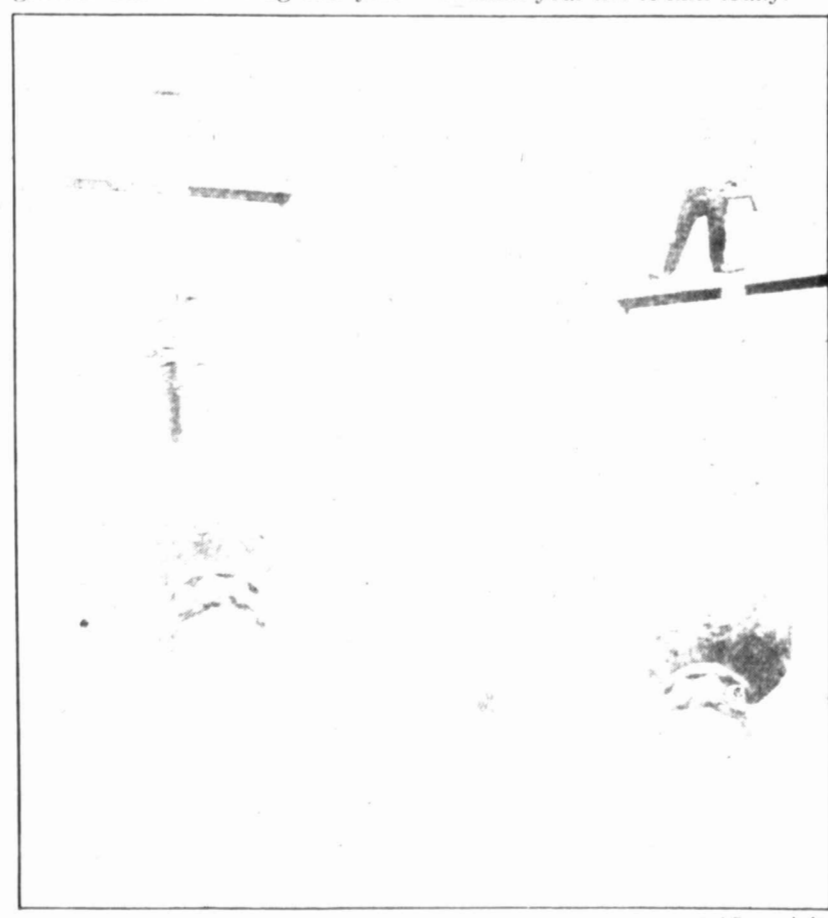
35.5 million. The alliance also commended "a widening degree of openness" in the Soviet Union, allowing printing and importation of Bibles and religious books. Hope was expressed for further guarantees of religious rights.

It elected the Rev. Denton Lotz of Washington, D.C., as general secretary, replacing the late Gerhard Class, who died in an automobile accident this year. Lotz, an American Baptist, was associate general secretary for evangelism and education.

JERUSALEM (AP) — Rabbi Albert L. Lewis of Haddon Heights, N.J., was elected president of the Rabbinical Assembly, representing U.S. Conservative Judaism, at its annual meeting here.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — America's obsession with youth culture may be fading as a "gray boom" puts more attention on the older adult population, says a Christian education director.

Maryann J. Dotts of the Cape Coral, Fla., United Methodist Church told leaders of single adults at a meeting sponsored by the denomination's Board of Discipleship that the older population is increasing three times faster than any other age group.



PARIS — French roofer and climber Andre Jacques Blanc climbs the spire of the Invalides Royal Chapel in Paris recently, left, and waves from atop the cross, which is over 300 feet high, right, where he climbed to check the monument for repairs.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): The object of your desire comes closer. Overtime may be necessary to complete a big project.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A give-and-take attitude helps you surmount a tricky problem. Look for new ways to meet family obligations.

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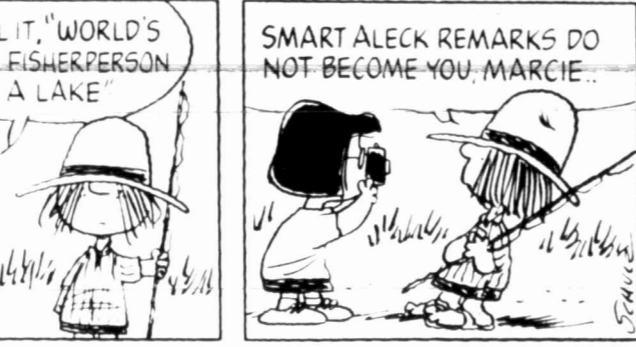
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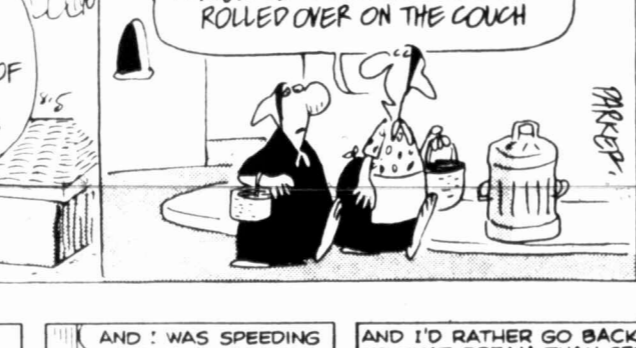
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