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Local weather

Forecast for the Big Spring area:
Mostly clear and cool tonight.
Mostly sunny Wednesday. Lows
tonight in the upper 50s. Highs
Wednesday in the lower 90s.



On the side:

General Hal!

CAMP MABRY — Texas Army National Guard retired Col. Howell Lynn (Hal) Boyd, city manager of Big Spring, was recently promoted to Brevet Brigadier General in ceremonies at Camp Mabry.



Boyd enlisted in the Texas Army National Guard in 1948 and served in various West Texas units. He was promoted to the honorary one-star rank by Maj. Gen. William C. Wilson, the Adjutant General of Texas, on behalf of Gov. William P. Clements, Jr. With Boyd at the ceremony was his wife Joy and other members of his family. Boyd is a graduate of Lamesa High School, Texas Tech University and the University of Oklahoma. He has also attended many military schools.

In Big Spring Boyd has been active in community affairs including the Rotary Club, United Way and was named Lions' Club Citizen of the Year 1989.

Boyd is currently serving as a civilian member of the Texas National Guard Armory Board and is the city manager of Big Spring.

Sex assault charge

BIG SPRING — A Big Spring man was arrested early Friday morning and charged with the aggravated sexual assault of two juveniles.

Detective Lonnie Smith said police arrested John Gaitan, 18, of Big Spring and charged him with two counts of aggravated sexual assault after a mother reported to police that her 4-year-old and 7-year-old children were assaulted. Police would not release the gender of the children.

Gaitan was released Friday after posting bonds totaling \$60,000.

Smith said police are preparing the case for a grand jury. "We've got facts from both sides," he said. "The case will be filed with the (district attorney's) office and then it should be presented to one of the upcoming grand juries."

Budget to beer!

BIG SPRING — City council members here will take time out from weighty budget matters to consider a more frothy item.

At the request of Mayor Max Green, the council agreed Monday night to call a brief special meeting Friday night to consider a beer permit request. The council had already planned to meet Friday for a budget workshop but the permit must be considered in a bonafide meeting.

Green asked the council, which had met for a budget workshop, for the special meeting because Permian Research Corp., the company applying for the permit, didn't realize it must ask the council to grant the permit.

When asked by the *Herald* if calling a special meeting for a permit was justified, Green replied he saw no problem with it.

"The only reason I'm even doing this at all is the fact we're meeting anyway," Green said. "There's no justification at all plain pure and simple. No, if we were not... gathering up here, I wouldn't do it."

Luchsingers sing

VINCENT — Paul and Susie Luchsinger will perform tonight at 7 p.m. at the Vincent Baptist Church.

Luchsinger is the sister of country/western music stars Reba McEntire and Pake McEntire.

Her husband Paul Paul was a professional rodeo cowboy. Vincent Baptist Church is located on FM 1205. Go out Highway 350 towards Snyder about 24 miles to FM 1205, turn north and go ¼ mile to the church.

For more information, call 915-965-3341.

Firefighters to fight ambulance subsidy

By RUTH COCHRAN
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — A group of firemen will push aside their fire-fighting equipment and take on the role of concerned taxpayers during today's city council meeting.

Paul Brown of the Big Spring Fire Fighters Association told the *Herald* Tuesday that he and other firemen object to a request by Rural/Metro Ambulance Service for increased subsidies from the city and county.

Michael Black, Rural/Metro local manager, approached the Howard County commissioners Monday asking for a subsidy increase of \$12,700. Black is scheduled to appear before the Big Spring

City Council today, apparently to ask the city for a subsidy increase of \$15,500.

Brown said he and other firefighters are also going to attend the city council meeting because as taxpayers they object not only to a subsidy increase, but also the proposed customer rate increase the service asked commissioners for.

"It's more a citizens' issue now," Brown said of the increases. "What they're asking for now is over a 25 percent increase in subsidy."

In addition, Rural/Metro also is asking for a base-rate increase of from \$35 to \$40 for in-city customers and as much as \$50 for county customers. This would in-

crease a base rate "tha's double the area standard" already, Brown said.

Big Spring customers currently pay Rural/Metro \$233 for service. Brown said customers in Midland pay a base rate of \$75 for service run through the fire department. Sweetwater residents pay a base of \$85 for a service that's also run through the fire department, Brown said.

Black told commissioners Monday that Rural/Metro suffered \$60,000 in losses for the 1988-89 fiscal year and will likely lose at least that much in 1989-90. Black cited uncollected bills and overhead associated with the

business as causes for the deficit.

Brown said the city and county face either a high-cost subsidy program or the risk of losing ambulance service.

"... A company's not going to sit there and show loss year after year," without closing down, Brown said. "The city and county are going to have to decide whether they want an ambulance service or not and whether they want to pay for it or not."

If the city and county want an ambulance service, then they need to consider something besides Rural/Metro, Brown said, and "they'd better start figuring out a

way to pay for an adequate system."

After initially high start up costs, Brown said the city could run a service of its own much more cheaply than a private company. If Rural/Metro receives a 20 percent increase on its annual \$101,000 subsidy, that \$120,000 would pay about half the initial start up costs for a service, Brown said. The service could be run as part of the fire department, he said.

"I'm not advocating that the fire department run it," he said. "These are just alternatives. Everybody else in the area is doing it (through a city-run service) and they're coming out fine."

61-year-old cat lover arrested

By RUTH COCHRAN
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — Batman may be in theaters across the nation, but Catwoman is right here in Big Spring — and she's driving her neighbors batty.

Police arrested Flora "Rosey" Nutt Posey Monday on a warrant charging cat at large. The 61-year-old, who city officials say has owned as many as 42 cats at one time,

"These were complaints going back as far as two years ago by her neighbors..." — Judge Gwendolyn Fair.

was arrested because apparently her cats have been overrunning her neighbor's yards.

She was arrested at the municipal judge's office and taken to the police station, where she was released on bond later that day.

Municipal Judge Gwendolyn Fair said she was forced to issue the warrant because Posey has been the target of numerous complaints for two years. Fair said Posey has been cited three times by animal control officers for allowing her cats to run loose.

"It was not initially a warrant," Fair explained. "These were complaints going back as far as two years ago by her neighbors. The lady is a cat lover, and I have nothing against cat lovers, but everybody has to go by the laws and ordinances."

"I've had just about the whole neighborhood here at one time," Fair said when the cats stay on Posey's property there is no problem. However, she said, Posey has been leaving food on other people's property for the animals, and the cats have been causing damage and making messes.

"These cats were going on other people's property," Fair said. "When it gets to the point of someone else's yard... then they're not under your control."

Fair said it is difficult to arrest someone over 50 for such a relatively minor offense, but it has to be done.

"Her age has nothing to do with her spriteness," Fair said. "I just have to do my job. That's what it boils down to."

Posey could not be reached for comment.



Michelle George and Elodia Fermollar became fast friends and their visits span the ocean.

Teens' friendship spans ocean

By MARC SCHWARZ
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — A trans-Atlantic flight is wearing on anyone, especially someone a little apprehensive about spending over a month in a land both linguistically and culturally alien.

For 13-year-old Michelle George, the 11-hour ocean-spanning flight provided plenty of time for her to anxiously await touchdown at the plane's final destination — Madrid, Spain. The Big Spring resident would be spending the next five weeks on the Iberian Peninsula as part of the Rotary Club exchange program.

Difficulties first arose for Michelle in the Madrid airport.

"I arrived late in Barcelona because the plane was delayed in Dallas," Michelle said. "When I did land, I was told that my luggage wouldn't be transferred to the other plane (a flight to Barcelona), and that I had to find it myself. So I spent about an hour and a half running around Madrid Airport trying to find my luggage and someone who could speak English."

Michelle did eventually arrive in Barcelona, to the relief of the

friend she would spend a week with, a former exchange student to Big Spring.

"My friend was really worried about me," she said. "When I finally arrived, she ran up and hugged me and said 'Michelle, we were so worried about you. We're glad you're here safe.'"

A week after the reunion, Michelle traveled south along the Spanish coast to Gandia, in the province of Valencia. She would spend the next month in the small, sunny Mediterranean town with a family she hadn't yet met and a future friend she only knew from photographs.

"I was a little nervous about meeting them," Michelle said. "I had really no idea what they'd be like. And I spent the first day with the family because Elodia (Elodia Fermollar, Michelle's counterpart in the exchange program) was busy studying for her final exams."

"I had taken two years of Spanish in high school, and a year in college, but I still had trouble with it," she remembers. "So that first day I mostly sat around and wrote in my diary about how different everything was from the U.S., and thought how I couldn't wait to get home and tell Mom

and Dad about all the differences."

Those differences struck her as soon as she stepped off the plane.

"It's a lot different," Michelle said. "I noticed it from the time I landed. They have different types of ears, different ways of dressing, even food is prepared differently and tastes different. It's a completely different pace of life."

Elodia showed Michelle around the town and its surrounding areas, giving Michelle a taste of Spanish culture, as well as Spanish food.

"Every meal, except maybe breakfast, is a sit-down meal," Michelle said. "Breakfast is usually between nine and 10, lunch is around two, and dinner is at nine. You mostly have three different plates if you eat at a restaurant, or about two at home."

"We ate at a seafood restaurant on the coast," she said. "It was nothing like Red Lobster. The fishing boats dumped off their fish right next to the restaurant, so everything was really fresh."

And Spaniards may have a stronger stomach than most Americans, Michelle concedes. "What people here would be

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Congressman still missing after vanishing in Africa

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP) — Poor visibility hampered rescuers searching today for a plane carrying Texas Congressman Mickey Leland and 13 other people that vanished en route to a refugee camp near the Sudanese border.



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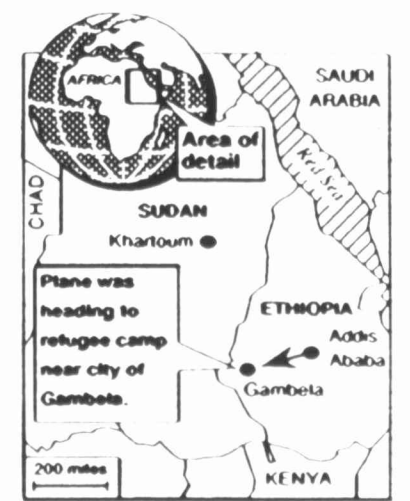
Heavy cloud cover made an aerial search of more than 400 miles of rugged terrain from this capital to Leland's destination in southwestern Ethiopia nearly impossible, said Robert Houdek, charge d'affaires at the U.S.

Embassy.

However, Houdek said Interior Ministry officials in contact with police and communications points along Leland's flight path reported a small plane was sighted Monday circling a field at Dembidolo, about 75 miles from the Fugnido refugee camp where the Houston Democrat group was bound.

"It was our plane, what we find encouraging is that it would have transversed a lot of the more treacherous terrain to Fugnido," Houdek said. "The plane circled, but the pilot obviously felt that he didn't want to put down at that time."

Houdek said Dembidolo was in an inaccessible region far from any communication points. "Which could provide a benign explanation



for why we haven't heard anything."

But he said the region contained several fields suitable for landing that were cleared by the government to airlift food to people during the 1984-85 famine that ravaged much of Ethiopia.

Big Spring hits record low temperature with 58

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — If you found yourself reaching for the covers in the wee hours of the morning today, it is because a new record low of 58 degrees was set about 7:15 a.m. under clear skies in Big Spring.

Charles Yates, engineering technician with Agnes Research Center, said the old record was 64 degrees set in 1941.

Yates said a cold front blew in from the north with an average wind speed of 20 mph yesterday. The maximum gusts were 32 mph.

Preceding the front Sunday were rainstorms unloading 1.02 inches of rain in Big Spring. Yesterday another .02 of inches fell, Yates said.

Temperatures Sunday were a high of 95 degrees and a low of 76 degrees. Yesterday's high was 76 degrees. The 58 degree temperature recorded this morning goes into the books as yesterday's low, Yates said.

It will remain cool for another day or two, said Pat Tyra, forecaster with the National Weather Service in Midland. Today's area highs will be in the 80s and tomorrow's will be in the upper 80s to near 90, he said. Tomorrow's area low will be in the upper 50s to low 60s. Today and tomorrow should be sunny and tonight clear.

"We had cool air drop out of Canada. This is unusual for this time of the year," said Tyra of weather conditions. "It's a

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Grouch of the year
MILFORD — Judy Dickerson, elected Grouch of the Year in the Ellis County town of Milford, says, "I think I'm a grouch. I get tired of putting up with these people's nonsense."

NAACP calls for black appointment



AUSTIN — Gary Bledsoe, of the NAACP, urges Gov. Bill Clements to appoint a black to the commission that sets standards for law enforcement agencies.

AUSTIN (AP) — A civil rights leader warned that tensions between black communities and local police could erupt if steps aren't taken to train law enforcement agencies on minority problems.

Gary Bledsoe, president of the Austin chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, on Monday called on Gov. Bill Clements to appoint a black to the state police licensing commission.

"I think when you have air so thick that you can cut it with a knife, like you do in some cities in Texas right now, that stems directly back to the police department," Bledsoe said.

"What happened in Miami could happen in Dallas," he said, referring to riots in Miami in January that followed the shooting of a black by police.

Bledsoe, and Michael Tippitt, president of the Texas Peace Officers Association, said a black has never served on the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.

The commission, established 24 years ago, licenses peace officers, reserve officers and jailers and sets minimum standards for education and training.

Truman Lewis, assistant executive director of the licensing commission, said racial training is included in most police academy classes for new recruits.

He said the training generally includes guest lecturers and discussion panels including minority leaders from the community.

Bledsoe said a black commission

member would make others sensitive to the problems in minority communities and help reduce violence between civilians and police.

"There is a disproportionate number of minorities that do die in law enforcement custody," he said.

"Dallas is in a very volatile situation. The Hemphill case can repeat itself in other Texas cities," he said, referring to police shootings in Dallas and the 1987 Loyal Garner Jr. case in Hemphill.

Garner was arrested and died from a beating he received in jail. Charges against three white law officers in the slaying were dismissed.

"We have a problem with people not knowing how to relate to members of the minority community. The proper standards have not been set in order to address the problem," Bledsoe said.

He said racism is the reason a black has yet to be appointed to the 14-member commission. Nine of the 14 members are appointed by the governor.

Bledsoe and Tippitt met Monday with James Huffines, Clements' appointments secretary, to submit a list of 21 possible candidates to fill three spots on the commission whose terms expire Aug. 31.

Rossanna Salazar, Clements' press secretary, said the governor will consider those presented and others. "We are looking at a number of people and the governor will appoint the most qualified Texan to the commission," she said.

"Among the people being considered are minorities," she said.

Bridge to use South Africa steel

AUSTIN (AP) — A black leader wants the state highway department to stop a road contract that may use South African-produced steel, but a highway official says nothing can be done about it.

The possible use of steel from South Africa will hurt American steel companies and is a slap against people trying to end apartheid, Gary Bledsoe, the local chapter president of the NAACP, said Monday.

He wants the Texas Highway Commission to cancel the contract to build a bridge over the Houston ship channel because the two contractors plan to work with a South African company to supply 3.1 million pounds of steel.

Carrying a total price tag of \$91 million, the project is the costliest state-funded roadwork in Texas history.

"Countries such as South Africa that permit slave labor in mining steel and other materials are able to under-price American companies and take away their business," Bledsoe said.

"This causes thousands of per-

sons to be unemployed and numerous American businesses to become bankrupt or near bankrupt," he said.

Although a new state law virtually forbids the use of foreign steel in road projects, state highway officials say the contract for the 4,100-foot bridge across the ship channel was approved before that law took effect June 14.

"We cannot restrict the source of materials," said Byron Blaschke, department engineer for the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

"As long as the contractor provides the material that meets our specifications, the department cannot prevent them from obtaining it from any particular source," he said.

A joint venture involving Williams Brothers of Houston and Traylor Brothers of Evansville, Ind., was awarded the bridge contract in December 1986.

Under the new law, limitations on use of foreign steel for highway projects in Texas now mirror

limits on federal projects that had been in place since 1984. The amount of foreign steel allowed can total 0.1 percent of the project or \$2,500 — whichever is greater.

State officials say another anti-apartheid divestment law passed in 1987 places limits on investments of state treasury money, but not contracts, supplies or purchases.

According to highway department estimates, the new bridge will use nearly 3.1 million pounds of steel, 49 million cubic yards of concrete and 1.3 million ceramic tiles.

The cable-stayed bridge, which is supposed to withstand a Gulf hurricane, will be one of the longest in the United States.

Bledsoe said the use of American steel might reduce profits for the contractors, but added, "sometimes there is a greater good to be had," by applying economic pressure to end apartheid.

He said he will seek business and labor support, in addition to contacting other civil rights groups and state lawmakers to oppose the contract.



AUSTIN — Steve Harrison, a University of Texas lab animal technician, feeds one of the monkeys at the UT Animal Resource Center, which provides animals for teaching and research.

Shrimpers must now limit trawls

WASHINGTON (AP) — Environmentalists are threatening to take the Commerce Department back to court over Secretary Robert Mosbacher's decision allowing shrimpers to abandon devices that protect endangered sea turtles in favor of regimented trawl times.

The National Wildlife Federation and other conservation groups argue Commerce must uphold the law requiring shrimpers to equip their nets with turtle excluder devices, and that limited trawling is ineffective in protecting sea turtles such as the Kemp's ridley.

"We don't think the secretary's proposed regulations comply with the law and we're going to challenge it in court," said federation spokesman Charlie Miller.

Miller said the government's own studies show an 18 percent sea turtle mortality rate when 105-minute trawling limits are used, "and when you're dealing with endangered species that's simply unacceptable."

Under a rule that was to take effect at 12:01 a.m. EDT today, shrimpers were to begin pulling their nets every 105 minutes to check for entangled sea turtles.

Mosbacher predicted compliance with the limiting trawling times would be far better than with the turtle excluder devices that shrimpers loathe. But conservationists said only TEDs can save the Kemp's ridley from extinction before the end of the century.

U.S. District Court Judge Thomas Hogan, who last week ordered Mosbacher to begin protecting sea turtles from drowning in shrimpers' nets by Monday, had not ruled on the Commerce plan by day's end.

But Commerce spokesman Brian Gorman said that since Hogan had not issued an order against Mosbacher's rules by the close of business, the agency "can safely assume" the emergency regulations have been accepted.

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Business briefs

Continental cuts weekend fares

HOUSTON (AP) — Continental Airlines is lowering fares on most of its nonstop, weekend flights to \$75 each way for the rest of the summer.

In addition, fares on Continental's transcontinental connecting and direct flights will be lowered to \$100 each way for the next five weekends, the carrier announced Tuesday.

Tickets for both lowered fares must be purchased on a round-trip basis. About 125,000 seats will be available for the lowered fares on each of the five weekends, Continental spokesman Ned Walker said.

Advance ticket period shortened

DALLAS (AP) — Greyhound Lines announced it will reduce the advance purchase period required for its lowest discount fares from 30 days to 14 days.

"Greyhound's making it easier for passengers to use our Money Saver fares," Ralph Borland, the bus line's vice president of marketing, said in a news release Wednesday.

"Now passengers can leave on a Monday through Thursday, 14 days rather than 30 days, after buying our \$68 Money Saver ticket," Borland said.

Greyhound does not limit the number of reduced-fare tickets

and does not require passengers to buy round-trip tickets to get the lowest fare, Borland said.

The bus line is also offering regional discounts for Monday through Thursday travel. Eastern and western divisions will offer \$109 one-way tickets and \$178 round-trip tickets with a three-day advance purchase.

Southern regions will sell one-way tickets for \$89 and round-trip tickets for \$148 with a seven-day advance purchase, the company announcement said. Central divisions will have more than 600 discounted fares available on a seven-day advance purchase.

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Shuttle Columbia rockets into orbit with spy satellite

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Columbia, NASA's oldest shuttle, returned to space for the first time in 3½ years today, rocketing into orbit with five military astronauts on a secret mission to send a spy satellite aloft.

The 125-ton winged spaceship — for years a "hangar queen" that was stripped of parts to keep newer shuttles flying — blazed away from its seaside launch pad at 8:37 a.m. after a blacked-out countdown and darted northeastward.

Nearly nine minutes after liftoff NASA announced that Columbia was in orbit more than 100 miles above the Earth, streaking along at more than 17,400 mph.

"We had a completely clean and smooth ascent. There are no problems whatsoever to report," said launch commentator Brian Welch.

"It's going to be a gem of a bird," said launch director Bob Sieck.

Soon after the shuttle reached orbit, NASA imposed a news blackout. Apart from brief status reports during the five-day mission, silence will be broken in case of a major problem only. NASA

said. Crew conversation will not be broadcast.

The satellite to be released by the astronauts reportedly can focus its super-sharp cameras on the Soviet Union and world hotspots such as the Middle East.

Because the mission is classified, the exact launch time was not made public until nine minutes before liftoff. Earlier, officials had said only that the launch would take place between 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Liftoff was delayed about 40 minutes to allow fog to burn off.

The mission is the fifth shuttle flight since launches resumed last September after a 2½-year hiatus prompted by the Challenger disaster.

Columbia, which flew the first shuttle mission in 1981, underwent 258 safety modifications after a failed rocket joint caused the Challenger explosion in 1986 that killed all seven crew members.

The ship's return to space gives NASA a fleet of three orbiters to handle a heavier flight schedule. Three more flights are planned this

year and nine in 1990.

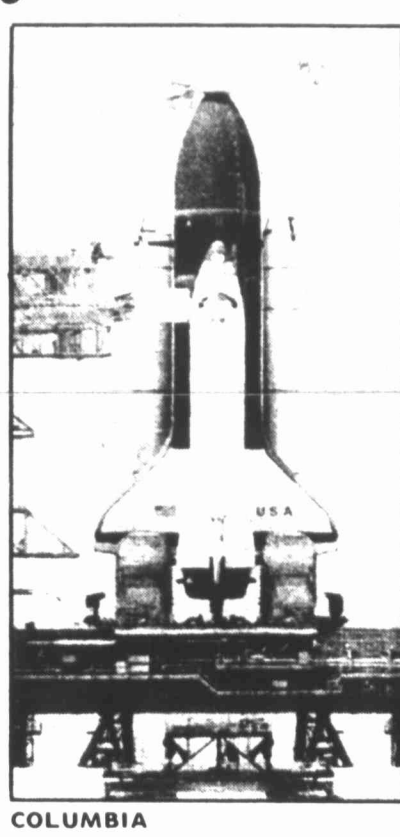
"I think the recovery process is over," said Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center. "We've modified all three birds, we've flown all three birds now, and that's something we can be proud of."

Columbia's commander is Air Force Col. Brewster Shaw, a veteran of two previous missions. The other crew members are Navy Cmdr. Richard Richards, Army Lt. Col. James Adamson, Air Force Maj. Mark Brown and Navy Cmdr. David Leestma, who flew once previously on a shuttle.

Although details are classified, sources close to the program said the astronauts will deploy a 10-ton satellite to gather intelligence over a wide area of the globe, including much of the Soviet Union, China and the Mideast.

The satellite is designed to take highly detailed photographs of troop movements, military installations and other targets of interest.

The sources said that the shuttle cargo bay holds scientific in-



COLUMBIA

Spring board

How's that?

Q. How fast do raindrops fall?
A. According to the Associated Press, raindrops travel approximately 7 mph.

Calendar

TODAY
• Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

WEDNESDAY
• Registration for students at Coahoma High School begins today. Seniors may register from 9-11 a.m., while juniors may register from 1-3 p.m. Yearbooks for 1989-90 school year will be on sale at these times. For more information, call the high school at 394-4535.

THURSDAY
• Student registration at Coahoma High School continues through today, with the sophomores registering from 9-11 a.m., and the freshman registering from 1-3 p.m. Yearbooks for 1989-90 school year will be on sale at these times. For more information, call the high school at 394-4535.

• West Texas Republican Women will meet at noon at La Posada.

• Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

• The Sheets Eye Foundation will be conducting free glaucoma tests from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Big Spring Senior Citizens Center.

• Commodities for the month of August will be given out from 8:15 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center in the Comanche Trail Park.

• Chapter 379 of the Vietnam Veterans of America will host its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the Vet Center (VFW Hall) on Driver Road. For more information, call 267-1267.

FRIDAY
• There will be a senior citizens dance beginning at 8 p.m. in Building 487 in the Industrial Park.

• There will be a Roof-a-thon benefiting MDA at the 7-11 on 3rd and Owens beginning at 5 p.m. and will continue until 5 p.m. Saturday.

Saturday
• The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

• Etta Renee Nolting, 27, 2101 Runnels was arrested on warrants charging no drivers license and expired inspection sticker.

• Dale Robert Vela, 402 NW 11th, was arrested on warrants charging no insurance and failure to appear.

• John Brian O'Brien, 39, 3001 Calvin, was arrested on North Birdwell Lane and charged with driving while intoxicated, failure to give half the roadway, and exhibition of acceleration. According to police reports, the 1973 pickup O'Brien was driving northbound was racing another car when it veered right, then left and into the path of a southbound car driven by Isaac Low, 32, of Big Spring. Glenda Low, 34, a passenger in Low's car, received possible injuries.

• A person reported a theft in the 1,000 block of N. Gregg Street. Patio furniture valued at \$400 was stolen.

• A person living on Air Base Road reported a robbery in which a purse valued at \$15 and money totaling \$20 was stolen.

• Williams/Shroyer Motor Company reported the theft of hub caps, wiper blades and antennas valued at a total of \$640.

• A person reported the burglary of a building in the 300 block of NW 9th Street. Items with a total value of \$862 were stolen.

• The burglary of a building in the 1400 block of Runnels was reported in which T-shirts, caps, a silver service, a cook stove and a reel-to-reel recorder were removed.

• A person living in the 800 block of W. 16th Street reported the theft of a lawn mower valued at \$395.

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Commissioners said they are forced to approve certain items under the \$1,500 amount without the benefit of discussion, provided the department has the funds for the expenditure.

"I am not a stamp," Commissioner David Barr said, expressing his displeasure with the approval of such items.

Commissioner also expressed concern with what they perceive as frivolous spending by departments trying to use excess funds before the end of the fiscal year. Money not used in the departmental budgets is transferred back to a general fund rather than carried over into the next fiscal year, Olson said.

In other business, commissioners:

- Restored full funding to the Rape Crisis/Victim Services Center. In a previous budget workshop, commissioners reduced the county allotment to the service

from \$7,200 to \$6,000, but commissioners restored funding Monday after Lisa Brooks, executive director of the service, appealed. Commissioners to reinstate full funding for the project.

Brooks expressed concern that without full county funding, the agency would find it more difficult to raise \$18,000 in necessary funding to qualify for a \$50,000 government grant.

Brooks asked commissioners to approve \$10,000 for the victim's services center because of concerns the service may have to start paying rent if it loses its rent-free office. Commissioner O.L. "Louis" Brown told Brooks he believes there is spare office space in the county courthouse if the victim's service needs an office.

Brooks told commissioners the victim's service could use \$10,000 in funding but said, "If you can't do that, please don't cut the \$7,200."

Approved funding for the R u r a l Corporation, the local EMS ser-

vice. The ambulance service company's local manager had asked commissioners for \$63,648 in funding, but commissioners instead approved a county subsidy of \$62,500.

The revised figure approved by commissioners excluded a raise for EMS personnel, which commissioners felt was unfair to grant because no raises were approved for county employees this year.

"I don't like that, I don't think that's fair... for EMS people to get a raise and county employees don't," Barr said, expressing the sentiment of commissioners' court.

Approved \$25,000 in funding for the 911 service. 911 Director Carl Dorton and city Police Chief Joe Cook asked commissioners to approve the funding for dispatcher salaries.

Rejected an appeal to provide funding for the Humane Society. Commissioners have not previously allocated funds to the society, Olson said.

Friends

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prettily squeamish about, people eat regularly over there," she said. "They eat snails, squid, octopus, clams, and stuff. The only thing I tried that I didn't like were the snails."

Michelle also sampled turrón, a Spanish candy whose prime ingredient are eggs and horchata, a syrupy concentrate made from the tiny, chewy chufa nut. The concentrate is mixed with water to produce a milky-colored drink with a taste that is, Michelle said, "indescribable."

"If you don't think about what you're eating over there, it's very good," she said. "At the fish restaurant, they take fish as long as your finger and fry them whole, and that's the way you eat them. There's none of this fake fish-sticks stuff."

Besides sightseeing, including a ceramics factory, the mainstay of the Gandian economy, the two teenage girls visited the white expanse of the Mediterranean beach. And, of course, they went shopping.

"The town is small enough, and close enough together, that they can walk everywhere," Michelle said. "So instead of malls, they just have little shops that line the streets."

After a nearly a month, the two girls began readying for the trip back to Texas. For Michelle, it was a homecoming. For Elodia, it was her first trip to the United States.

"As we were leaving, I almost cried," Michelle said. "Almost. I held it back because I didn't want to bawl in front of her parents. Someday I'll go back, though. The two days before we left Elodia's mother kept saying, 'Michelle, come back soon. Our house is always open for you.'"

Although Elodia had traveled throughout Europe, the long, grueling flight across the Atlantic was a new, and not particularly welcome, experience. And her first sights of the U.S. were radically different than her homeland.

"The U.S. means state of liberty, New York, and high rises, flats," she says, haltingly searching for the right English translation.

"Buildings," Michelle corrects, explaining that in Spain, a family

usually has a mountain home and a flat, or group of apartments, in the city.

"We got off in Dallas, and stayed for a weekend near Six Flags," Elodia said. "We went to see Southfork Ranch. The movie, how do you say, television (show) 'Dallas' is very famous in Spain."

"The buildings here are metallic on the outside. In Spain they are stone. And the roads are more wide than in Spain."

Big Spring and the surrounding areas have dispelled most of Elodia's previous misconceptions about Texas.

"Of Texas, I had the concept of movies of sheriffs, cowboys, westerns," she said. "It is better than the movies. I like it because it is very different. The people I like very much."

Michelle and her parents introduced Elodia to some of the finer points of Texas, and American, life — namely fast food and Tex-Mex flavor.

"In Spain, we have McDonald's, and the first and second years it came, people ate there a lot," Elodia said. "But it is not so popular now. It (the food) is very bad for you. We say it is made from the 'meat of cat.'"

"Mexican food I like very much," she said.

Michelle laughed.

"The first week she was here she had nachos six or seven times," she said.

Elodia will return to Spain Aug. 21, taking with her memories of a country where nearly every house has an air conditioner and a car is a practical, almost necessary method of getting from one spot to another. She said she would like to see other parts of the United States, especially New York City, but doesn't consider it likely anytime soon.

"My father didn't very much want me to go here because it was so many miles from home," she said. "I convinced him once, but I don't feel like trying to convince him again."

Both girls laugh, and a special sort of bond comes into being between them, a bond that spans an ocean, a bond that overshadows language and cultural differences. A bond of pure, unblemished friendship.

Weather

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welcome relief for everyone. There were no complaints at the weather office.

"Go out and enjoy this cool Canada air because high temperatures are still ahead of us. We'll be back in the 90s by the end of the week," he said.

Tyra said Midland also had a record low which of 54 degrees set after 6 a.m. this morning. The old record for Aug. 8 was 59 degrees set in 1939.

Also deviating from the norm is the total inches of rainfall this year. Tyra said the storm left 17 inches of rain on the ground in Midland, bringing the total for this year to 4.18 inches. The normal by this time of the year is 7.91 inches, he said.

"We're looking for more dry weather coming into the dry season," he predicted. "There's no relief in sight that will bring our rainfall totals up to normal for this part of the year."

On the rainfall forecast for the rest of the year, he said, "It will be generally less than an inch for each month for the rest of the year."

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FBI analysts conclude Lt. Col. Higgins is dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI analysts have concluded that the body hanging from a rope in a videotape released by Lebanese terrorists is that of hostage Marine Lt. Col. William R. Higgins, Pentagon sources said today.

"It is our understanding that the study is concluded... Evidently, they have concluded that the figure in the tape is Rich (Higgins) and that he is dead," said a Pentagon official, who spoke on condition he not be identified.

The sources said the study was not able to pinpoint the cause of death or when it occurred.

Higgins, head of a 75-member United Nations peacekeeping team, was kidnapped in south Lebanon on Feb. 17, 1988. His captors claimed last Monday that he had been hanged in retaliation for Israel's refusal to release a kidnapped Moslem cleric.

There have been some theories that Higgins could have been killed as long as a year ago after a U.S. Navy ship shot down an Iranian airliner.

A videotape of a figure, hanging by his neck, bound and gagged, was released last Monday as supposed evidence of Higgins' death.

The FBI conducted the study of the tape and was expected to release a statement about the review later today, the sources said.

But forensic experts who examined the tape said the body shown on the tape could have been someone who was dead for a while

and not someone who had been killed on Monday, as the kidnappers claimed.

Earlier today, President Bush praised Higgins as "the symbol of the courage" of American servicemen during a ceremony marking the 20th anniversary of the founding of the War Department, now the Defense Department.

The Pentagon source said the FBI study also was unable to pinpoint the exact time of Higgins' death.

The official said the FBI was expected to inform the commandant of the Marine Corps, Gen. Alfred Gray, and Higgins' wife Robin of the findings of their study.

The FBI review was "exhaustive," the official said. "They compared everything, from his hat size to his shoe size, to try to figure out if it was Rich. It was a very, very careful analysis."

The source said he had not yet seen the analysis of the tape, but said officials were confident that it was Higgins portrayed in the video.

A group calling itself the Organization of the Oppressed on Earth sent the 30-second videotape to a news organization in Beirut last Monday, saying Higgins was killed in retaliation for Israel's kidnapping of a Shiite Moslem cleric in Lebanon.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, asked about the study at a news conference today, refused comment, saying he had not seen the final report.

Services will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Darrell Hendrickson, pastor of First Church of God, officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born May 12, 1908, in Wellington and married J. Fred Whitaker June 6, 1926 in Moore. He died Sept. 3, 1988. She was a member of the First Church of God and a member of Modern Women's Forum. She came to Howard County in 1918 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Forrest, who were pioneer settlers. She graduated from Big Spring High School. She had worked as department head at the Montgomery Wards store for three years.

Survivors include one brother, Leo Forrest, Lake Tanglewood; and one sister, Ethel Cox Carlsbad, N.M.; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be friends from the First Church of God.

The family will be at the Dean Forrest home.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home
and Rosewood Chapel
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BIG SPRING

Gloria Strom Ezell, 63, died Saturday Services will be 2:00 P.M. Wednesday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Graveside services will be 2:00 P.M. Thursday in Fairfax Cemetery in Fairfax, Oklahoma.

Ramon Donato Gonzales, 37, died Sunday. Rosary will be 7:30 P.M. Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Services will be 10:00 A.M. Thursday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

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Nola Whitaker

Mrs. J. Fred (Nola) Whitaker, 81, Big Spring, died Monday, Aug. 7, 1989 in a Lubbock hospital.

Oil/markets

Chevron	55 1/4	+1/4	Southwestern Bell	57 1/4	+1/4
Chrysler	24 1/4	nc	Sun	38 1/4	+1/4
Coca-Cola	66 1/4	+1/4	Texasaco	53	nc
De Beers	14 1/4	+1/4	Texas Instruments	41 1/4	+1/4
DuPont	118 1/4	+1/4	Texas Utilities	40 1/4	+1/4
El Paso Electric	8 1/4	nc	USSteel	38 1/4	+1/4
Exxon	45 1/4	nc	Mutual Funds		
Ford Motors	50 1/4	nc	Amcap	12 48 13 24	
GTE	60	nc	I.C.A.	15 99 16 97	
Halliburton	36 1/4	nc	New Economy	25 86 27 44	
IBM	118 1/4	+1	New Perspective	11 78 12 50	
J.P. Penney	62 1/4	nc	Van Kampen	15 26 16 05	
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Mesa Ld. Prt. A	11 1/4	nc	Pioneer II	21 40 23 39	
Mobil	52 1/4	nc	Gold	365 00 365 50	
New Atmos Energy	15 1/4	nc	Silver	5 12 5 14	
Pacific Gas	21 1/4	nc	Nom quotes courtesy of Edward D. Jones & Co.		
Phillips Petroleum	22 1/4	nc	219 Mann St., Big Spring, 267-2501. Quotes are from today's market, and the change is market activity from 3 p.m. the previous day.		
Schlumberger	43 1/4	nc			
Sears	46 1/4	nc			

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All eyes on Felix Bloch

To say that there's something bizarre about the government's espionage investigation-cum-spectacle of U.S. diplomat Felix Bloch is to understate the point. It's not just that such sensitive matters shouldn't be handled in the full glare of publicity or that a citizen's right to due process seems to have been largely ignored, or that the U.S. government is made to look foolish and inept. It's all of that, and more.

Perhaps the original leak to ABC News about Bloch's suspected 14-year relationship with the Soviet KGB couldn't have been prevented, though one can't know that without knowing who did the leaking, and why. But once the government's suspicion of Bloch became known, why did the State Department so readily confirm the report's accuracy rather than do the usual thing — refuse comment? And why did State Department apparently ignore the Justice Department's objections that going public might harm its case against Bloch?

If there's evidence enough to build that case, then Bloch should be arrested and charged — perhaps even given legal immunity, as has been suggested, in return for vital information about, among other things, the feared existence of a "mole" inside the government, one who might have tipped off the KGB, which is said to have told Bloch in turn that he was under investigation. If the case isn't yet strong enough, which seems to be the case, surely the government could have taken steps to neutralize the threat of further damage to the nation's security, and to prevent the suspect from fleeing the country — which the FBI failed to do in another case a couple of years ago — without turning the case into the media circus it has now become.

The fact that the Bloch investigation has become public — with FBI agents, reporters and photographers, and presumably the KGB — dogging his every step, and that "informed sources" and "investigators" and "senior administrative sources" keep feeding details to the media, all suggest that the government hopes to browbeat Bloch into cooperating. If that's true, it's a dubious tactic at best. But of course one doesn't know if any or all of these speculations are true or not; all one knows is that Felix Bloch is suspected of being a spy, that evidence supporting that suspicion keeps dribbling out, and that Americans have a legitimate reason to wonder of their government really knows what it's doing and, if so, will ever explain why it has chosen to put the finger on Felix Bloch in such bizarre fashion.

"I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." — Voltaire

Maximal commotion with minimal risks

By GEORGE F. WILL

WASHINGTON — V.S. Naipaul watched Teheran volunteers, full of revolutionary fervor, loading hot bread on open trucks in winter for transportation to flood victims. "It was frenziedly stuffed — as though it was a matter of life and death — into plastic sacks and dumped into a truck with blankets and clothes. Wouldn't this bread have turned to stone by the time it got to Khuzistan? But the bread didn't matter. The gesture and the excitement mattered."

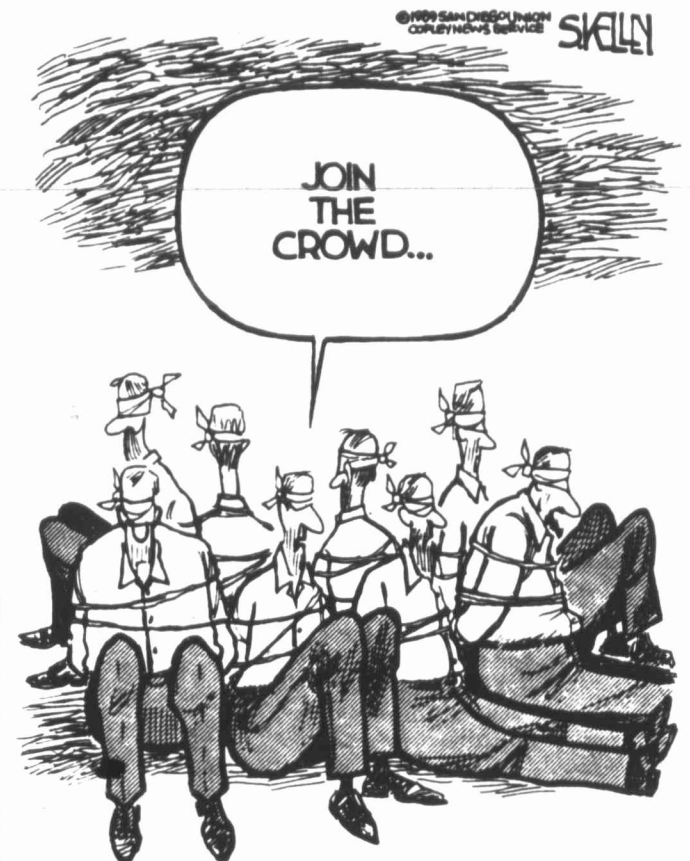
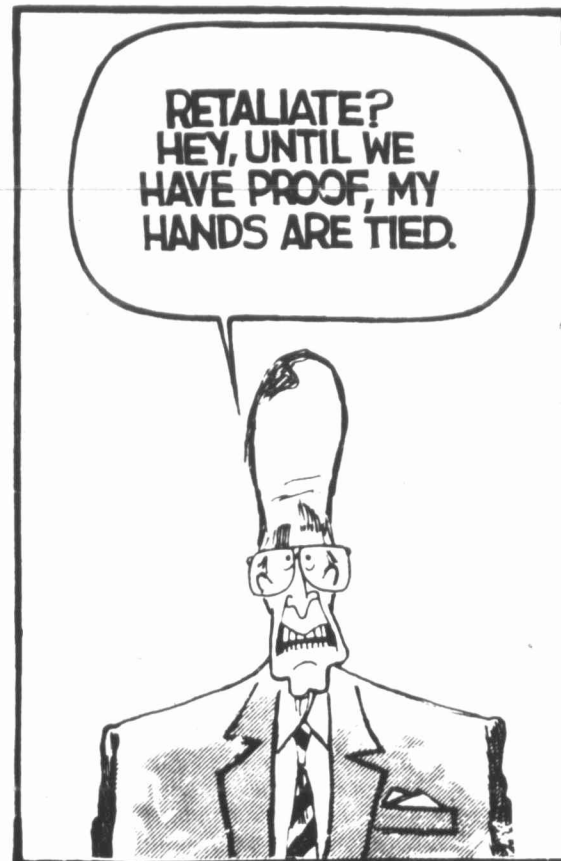
We are back making gestures at murderous gesturers, saying things we do not mean to people who do not care what we say. Worse, some American voices are sincerely deploring, with fine impartiality, terrorism and Israel's measures against it. Robert Dole, senator from Kansas (which is not lapped by angry waves of Islamic fanaticism), accuses Israel of acting irresponsibly.

One person, Samuel Lewis, former U.S. Ambassador to Israel, gets it right: "Israel is at war. We are not." Right on both counts.

Israel has a solemn compact with its soldiers: It will do whatever it can to get them out of captivity. We have sold arms to the terrorist state that runs the group that killed Lt. Col. William R. Higgins. The State Department has written scripts for a terrorist group (the PLO), for a charade of conversion to civility. This, so we can do openly what hitherto we did in violation of stated policy: deal with the PLO. So today, U.S. diplomats sit across the table from a PLO "diplomat" who organized the murder of two U.S. diplomats.

Given the U.S. record of hypocrisy, incoherence and impotence, it is demoralizing to watch Washington shift into its well-rehearsed, highly routinized melodrama mode. There are so many cameras, microphones and pens hovering over poised notepads, that episodes like this unleash a torrent of talk. In Washington, the intensity of talk about a problem is usually inversely proportional to the number of ideas for doing something about the problem.

Archimedes said, Give me a firm spot on which to stand and I shall move the Earth. Iran standing through its own difficulties on



George F. Will



Lebanon's artillery-churned earth, and using the leverage of hostages — a renewable resource, moves the U.S. government. It moves it into the awkward position of demonstrating a dangerous asymmetry between words and capabilities.

At times like this, a President must perform a cathartic function, expressing the nation's anger. But he also must conspicuously proceed with the normal agenda of governance, lest terrorists be magnified, and for that reason multiply.

Terrorism, the gesture of the week, is a tragedy for individuals but not a crisis for nations. It conquers no territory, topples no regimes. Terrorism's goal is maximum commotion with minimal risk of retaliation. So until the President finds a way to retaliate, he is right to minimize the commotion: Call the Pope but proceed with the barbeque, which he did.

But the Bush administration bears a burden of proving two things: that we do not know Iran's involvement in the killing of Col. Higgins, and that we lack the ingenuity and military assets to

make Iran pay. If we do not know and lack those assets, people should be fired by the battalions for failures of intelligence and procurement. If we do know and have appropriate assets and still do not retaliate, we are violating the principle of "statistical morality."

In an essay in Science magazine pertaining to public policy about punishment of drunk driving, Daniel Koshland defines statistical morality as the precept that a policy that may cause some individuals immediate harm will result in greater benefits for more individuals in the future. For example, when whooping-cough vaccine is given to one million children, about 100 will have serious reactions, some fatal. In Britain, public anxiety about this caused withdrawal of the vaccina-

tion requirement — until whooping-cough deaths soared. The requirement was reinstated.

Or: When criminal sanctions designed to deter are not imposed by courts, deterrence is weakened and it is a statistical certainty that some people are thereby condemned to become crime statistics — victims.

Every time terrorists go unpunished, innocent people are by that fact condemned to death. Conversely, the U.S. raid on Libya cost lives but probably saved more.

Crude utilitarianism — the greatest benefit for the greatest number — is often not a morally acceptable policy, even if one can predict the allocation of the future benefits of an action. But in the lives of nations, policies often must rest on just such crude calculations.

Making such calculations is a cruel burden on a President. But no one is compelled to be President. And too many Western leaders ignore the warning of Trollope's crusty old Duke of Omnium: "There is such a thing as a conscience with so fine an edge that it will allow a man to do nothing."

Twenty years later, the government admits it lied about Vietnam

By MIKE FEINSILBER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new book published by the Army says the American people often got more straight information about the Vietnam War from the press than from the government.

The government lied to the people, the book says, although it avoids using that blunt word.

On one issue, "the facts were different" from what was put out by the Defense Department, it says. On another occasion, U.S. officials "dissembled" about what Americans were actually doing at a time they were in Vietnam as "advisers."

That is rare official candor. Even 20 years after the fact, it is unusual for the government to own up to misleading the people.

Candor's author is William M. Hammond, a civilian historian on the Pentagon payroll. His book,

"Public Affairs: The Military and the Media, 1962-1968," issued by the Government Printing Office, is part of a series the Army is publishing on every aspect of its role in the Vietnam War.

In recounting the tortured history of relations between the government and the press during the war, Hammond illustrates the perils when a democracy wages a second-hand war that the Congress hasn't declared and the people haven't committed themselves to.

Because neither public nor legislative backing had been won, the Kennedy and Johnson administrations felt compelled toward constant optimism. Until it became a mocking phrase, Washington had constantly to report that "the light at the end of the tunnel" was in sight.

One Continental Army Command memo cabled to Saigon, borrowing a line from songwriter Johnny



Capitol report

Mercer, urged American advisers to "accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative."

Reporters weren't under such restraints. If Buddhists were setting fire to themselves to oppose a repressive Ngo Dinh Diem regime, or if the American-advised and ill-equipped South Vietnamese army refused to engage an enemy it outnumbered and outgunned, reporters felt free to report — no matter what frustrations resulted in Washington or what tensions were aggravated between the U.S. Embassy and the presidential

palace in Saigon.

Policy makers in Washington refused to allow information officers in Vietnam to acknowledge the use of napalm because they didn't want the Communists to make propaganda from it.

"But newsmen went into the field, observed napalm exploding and recorded its effects with their cameras," historian Hammond writes.

One early-in-the-war dispatch by the *New York Times*'s David Halberstam, reporting gains by an "almost cocky" Viet Cong in the Mekong Delta, so undermined the official view of progress that Secretary of State Dean Rusk picked it apart at a news conference.

But when Halberstam's story was sent back to Saigon for an autopsy, the U.S. military, while disputing some of the details, "failed to contradict the reporter's main point — that the war in the

delta was going against the South Vietnamese," Hammond reports.

It wasn't that reporters were wiser than the military. Instead, the U.S. Mission in Saigon, eager to placate Washington and buck up the South Vietnamese, ignored the same evidence that the newsmen found.

Vietnam was the first uncensored modern American war. The Kennedy administration toyed with censorship but ultimately felt it could not withstand the inevitable charge that it was allowing Americans to perish in a "clandestine war." When the Saigon government tried to kick out troublesome reporters, the U.S. Mission felt bound to come to the reporters' defense.

Hammond reaches this conclusion:

"Critics of the press within the military paid great attention to the mistakes of the news media but lit-

tle to the work of the majority of reporters, who attempted conscientiously to tell all sides of the story.... What alienated the American public, in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars, was not news coverage but casualties. Public support for each war dropped inexorably by 15 percentage points whenever total U.S. casualties increased by a factor of 10."

Information officers were in an impossible position. They could not deny what reporters could see for themselves, despite pressure from Washington to keep the news out of Saigon from contradicting official optimism.

But the American government did deny the truth. In lying to the public, it lied to itself too, and at a terrible price.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Mike Feinsilber reported from Saigon in 1967 and from Washington since then.

Quotes

"We have signed a death sentence for the contras." — Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega commenting on a plan signed by leaders of five Central American countries to disband the U.S.-backed Nicaraguan rebels.

"It is not enough for Japan to simply maintain the security treaty with the United States and not to play a more responsible role now that Japan has grown so powerful and economically affluent." — Toshiaki Kaifu after being selected as Japan's new prime minister.

"The civil rights community

would give the president high marks for accessibility and symbolism and rhetoric but low marks on substantive civil rights policy." — Ralph Neas, executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, commenting on the Bush administration's civil rights record at the National Urban League convention.

"The impressive long-term progress of African-Americans has in some cases, even reversed." — Urban League in releasing a study on blacks' economic status.

Economy rough on homeowners

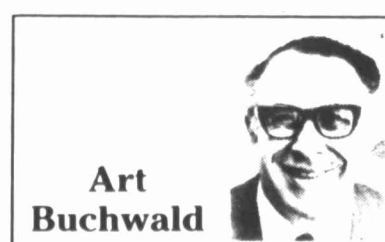
By ART BUCHWALD

In the past the vacation conversation around the guacamole dip bowl had to do with the killing everyone could make selling their second home. Prices have skyrocketed in the last few years, and houses we had bought 15 years ago for \$30,000 were now selling for \$2 million. Most of us credited the surge in our paper profits to our ability to know when to buy and how long to hold on. It was a talent that only a few of us, like Donald Trump and Harry Helmsley, seemed to have. As Donald Rappaport, our local tycoon, used to say, "The secret of investing is to buy low and sell high." Wisdom like this made us all listen when Rappaport spoke.

But this year it's different. The real estate market is not only flat, it has tumbled and is now in the basement. Homes that originally were built for \$64,000 are now selling for a measly \$350,000. There are horror stories everywhere. Guggenheim built a lean-to on the pond in 1970 for \$14,000, and when he put it on the market this year all he was offered was \$150,000. This took place at the very moment that President Bush denied there was a recession.

You can imagine the nervousness around the guacamole dip bowl about how much our homes are now worth.

Payette said, "I can't believe that while I'm standing here the price of my \$75,000 New Bedford



Art Buchwald

ranch house has sunk from \$750,000 to a half-million. What did I do wrong?"

Hawk the lawyer said, "You didn't do anything wrong. Your real estate is still worth as much as it was last year. The only trouble is nobody wants to buy it anymore. People are just sitting on their hands waiting for you to get desperate."

Rappaport was ready to speak, and we, of course, deferred to him. "We are in a period of nervousness and doubt. The reason the prices on our homes have slid so badly is that Tokyo still hasn't made up its mind about the dollar, while Gorbachev has. I'm convinced as soon as the Swiss dwarfs do something, we will see a boom in vacation houses which will blow the Bank of England's mind. Of course, it will depend on whether Gov. Dukakis ever figures out what's up and what's down in his budget."

As usual Rappaport was making a lot of sense.

"Are you suggesting we hold on to our homes until we see how the Common Market is going to

work?"

"That goes without saying. We must look fore and aft to interpret the violent swings of the real estate fluctuation — west to South Korea and east to Hungary. By watching their real estate prices we can get some idea of what to expect with our homes on Cape Cod."

The group around the guacamole dip bowl had to admit that we had never dreamed that someday we would all lose our shirts in the market. "What happened to the American dream?" Wallace wanted to know as he stuffed his mouth full of potato chips.

Durr said, "It's the crooks in Washington helping the savings and loan crooks that put us in this position. We homeowners are nothing more than pawns of bankers who live in overpriced homes in Southampton."

Then Hawk raised a very interesting question. "If the price went up tomorrow on your homes, would any of you sell?"

"Are you crazy?" replied Durr.

"Where would we live?"

"If the price went down even further, would anyone sell?"

It was so quiet you could hear Rappaport's whale pants flapping in the breeze.

"So why do we care if our homes go up or down?"

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Phone strike causes short delays

Associated Press Writer
Callers dialing for operators reached recordings in 15 states and the nation's capital as workers from three regional telephone companies settled in for what many expect will be a long strike.

The companies urged people to dial direct whenever possible to avoid tie-ups. No major delays were reported Monday for those calling numbers without an operator's — or manager's —

assistance.
"We do have minor delays in directory assistance," said Bob Chez, a spokesman for Nevada Bell, part of Pacific Telesis. "People are having to wait a little longer. But other than that things are going smoothly."

About 157,000 union workers were on strike Monday, forcing managers at the three companies to work long hours and to learn how to handle the work of many.

Natives allowed visa-free travel

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Negotiators for the United States and the Soviet Union have endorsed agreements permitting visa-free travel for natives of northwest Alaska and the Soviet Union's Chukotsk Peninsula.

The agreement reached Friday in Washington will become official when it is signed by Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, possibly as early as September, said an aide to Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska.

The agreement also establishes a commission of three Soviets and three Alaskans to help deal with

minor incidents, emergency evacuations and search and rescue operations, said Murkowski aide Jessica Gavora.

Murkowski said the agreement is the most significant development yet in a 2-year-old thaw between Alaska and the Soviet Far East territories across the Bering Strait.

In Alaska, natives who live on St. Lawrence Island, the Seward Peninsula or in the Kotzebue area and have cultural or family ties with the Soviet Far East are expected to qualify for visa-free travel, Gavora said. Trips could last up to 90 days.

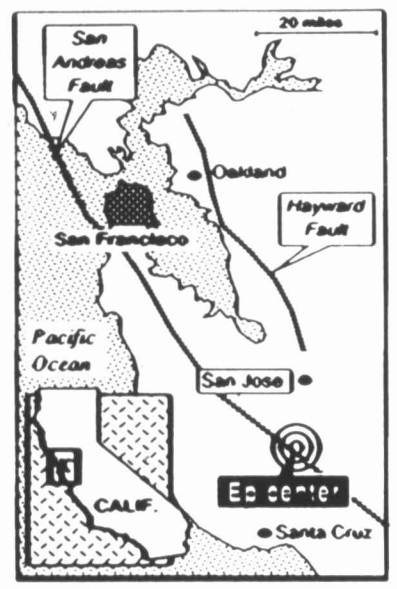
Sharp quake jolts Bay area

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A sharp earthquake jolted the San Francisco Bay area for 10 seconds early today, shaking buildings, breaking glass and apparently causing one man to jump to his death from a fifth-story apartment window, authorities said.

The quake occurred at 1:13 a.m. PDT and had a magnitude of 5.1 on the Richter scale, according to both the U.S. Geological Survey in nearby Menlo Park and the USGS National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo.

It was centered on the San Andreas fault about 13 miles south of San Jose. The quake was felt throughout a wide area, as far away as San Luis Obispo, about 230 miles south of San Francisco.

The epicenter was in almost exactly the same place as a 5.0 magnitude quake on June 27, 1988, said USGS geophysicist



David Oppenheimer.
The open-ended Richter scale is a measure of the energy released by an earthquake, as measured by ground motion.



BOISE — Employees at the Boise Interagency Fire Center fields hundreds of calls per day for firefighters and equipment for Idaho's current wildfires. BIFC coordinator Lynn Findley, seated right, plots the movement of crews between the forests.

Planes help search for lightning-sparked fires

By The Associated Press

Spotter planes cruised over Western forests in a search for lightning-sparked fires after thousands of storm bolts struck the region, but fire bosses said they saw no immediate evidence of a new round of major blazes.

"The next two days should tell," said Ron Smith, spokesman for the Boise Interagency Fire Center. "There have been some strikes, but it takes time until we'll spot whether they've touched off new fires."

About 23,000 firefighters on Monday fought the worst of blazes on 182,000 acres, primarily in Idaho, Oregon and California, according to the center, which is the nation's wildlife command post.

The fire battles have cost more than \$27 million and the bill was rising sharply each day, the center said.

More than 220,000 acres have been charred in a bout of mostly lightning-caused fires that began July 26.

Lightning struck about 700 times Monday in six Western states. Thousands of lightning strikes were reported in the Northwest

Sunday night.

Most of the new fires were small. The largest had burned five to seven acres in the Ochoco National Forest in central Oregon.

Officials said, however, the blazes could spread if conditions were right.

"It's pretty early to say these weren't as bad as the last ones," said Thom Corcoran, U.S. Forest Service spokesman for the Northwest Interagency Coordinating Center in Portland.

Hundreds of federal troops moved through the fire center in Boise, for training and eventual deployment to the fire lines. But land managers continued pressing for more manpower to spell crews.

"In past years, we've used the military for mop-up, but that's not happening this time," said Boise National Forest spokeswoman Pat Irwin. "They're being used as mop-up for a few days, but that's just their training. The incident commanders believe they can be as good as class-one hot-shot crews because they're disciplined, used to working together and they're physically fit."

World

Iraq calls for peace treaty

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called on Iranian leaders today to sign a peace treaty to end the eight-year Persian Gulf war, halted nearly a year ago by a U.N.-brokered cease-fire.

In a television message marking the anniversary of the day Iraq accepted the U.N. cease-fire resolution, Saddam said a treaty would guarantee "both countries' legitimate rights."

"The cease-fire agreement should not be taken as a talisman for peace... we are after a comprehensive, total and lasting

peace treaty," he said.
Today was an official Iraqi holiday to mark the anniversary. On Monday night, thousands of people poured into a central Baghdad park for a fireworks display and traditional singing and dancing in a government-organized celebration.

On Aug. 8, 1988, U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar announced the cease-fire would take effect Aug. 20, following Iraq's decision to drop a demand for direct talks before hostilities were suspended.

Kaifu elected prime minister

TOKYO (AP) — The governing Liberal Democrats today elected Toshiki Kaifu party president and successor to Prime Minister Sousei Uno in the hopes of putting behind it a bribery and sex scandal and an unpopular sales tax.

The next prime minister called on fellow Japanese to give his scandal-plagued party a chance to "carry out political reforms and shed our old skin."

As Japan's second new prime minister in two months, he will face the challenge of fending off a surging opposition Socialist Party and recovering the popularity the Liberal Democrats have lost in a succession of scandals and a disliked tax policy.

"I want to carry out reforms and pass reform legislation based on our deep self-reflection," he said, replying to a question about his plan to regain public trust.

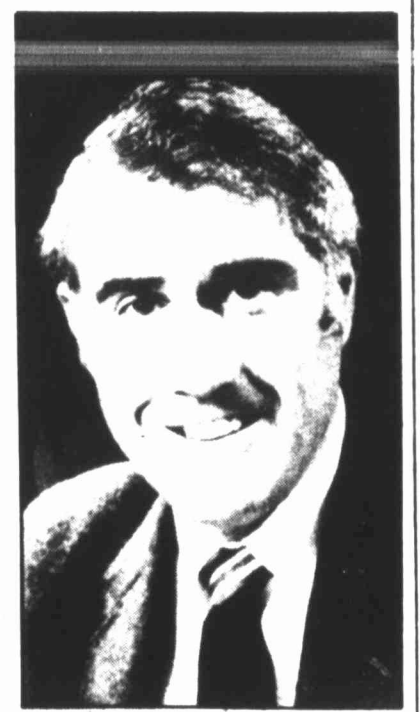
Anti-nuke policy to be continued

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — The man elected today to succeed outgoing Prime Minister David Lange said he intends to maintain a tough anti-nuclear decree that bans U.S. warships from New Zealand ports.

"Our nuclear policy won't be changed," Deputy Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer told a news conference after being named head of the governing Labor Party today. Lange, 47, resigned Monday amid party wrangling over economic policy, citing health reasons.

"We want to have dialogue with the Americans, we want to have discussions, but I wouldn't want to suggest that there is going to be any prospect of immediate change in that respect at all," Palmer said.

The U.S. State Department said Monday that it hoped the next prime minister would reassess the policy that led to the collapse of the ANZUS military alliance with America and Australia.



GEOFFREY PALMER

Leaders sign agreement to disband Contras

TELA, Honduras (AP) — Five Central American leaders have signed a plan to disband the U.S.-backed Nicaraguan rebels by December, and President Daniel Ortega called on Washington to respect the Contras' "death sentence."

"In this way the United States can contribute to peace in Nicaragua and Central America," the Nicaraguan leader said Monday night upon returning to Managua from a three-day summit at this Honduran beach resort.

The 120-day plan, laid out in a set of three accords signed Monday, set a 90-day deadline for a combined U.N.-Organization of American States observer mission to organize itself and another 90 days for the Contras to demobilize.

About 11,000 Contras and their 12,000 dependents living in Honduras along the Nicaraguan border are to be resettled, in Nicaragua if they want and in other nations if not. Guatemala, El Salvador and Costa Rica volunteered to take some in, though most would prefer to go to the United States.

Ortega accused the United States of trying to block the accord, but U.S. officials and officials of other Central American nations denied the charge.

Contra spokesman Bosco Matamoros blamed the outcome on "political confusion in Washington."

"This is a disaster for the State Department because it tried to impose its policy too late," said Matamoros in an interview with Costa Rica's Radio Impacto. Last

minute U.S. pressure "had a counterproductive effect," he added.

The Bush administration had been lobbying to keep the Contras active until February's scheduled elections in Nicaragua as a guarantee of the "democratization" that Ortega's leftist government has promised.

In Mexico City, where he met with Mexican officials, U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III said he could not comment because he had not seen a text of the pact.

Baker noted that the Esquipulas agreement, a Central American accord signed two years ago, says any Contra demobilization must be carried out under conditions of safety and democracy in Nicaragua and must be voluntary.

"I don't think the Central American democracies would do anything to change the terms of the agreement that they have put forth," Baker said.

If the full 120 days from Monday were used, Dec. 5 would be the deadline for the new plan. The accords do not mention the consequences of any delay, but deadlines in previous Central American agreements have often been observed more in the breach.

The Central American nations must "find enough will to go along with the accords" if they are to stick, said Costa Rican President Oscar Arias, who won a Nobel Peace Prize for initiating the regional peace process more than two years ago.

It was not immediately clear whether the Contras are willing to surrender their arms, but assuming Honduras lives up to its word the Contras would have no territory from which to operate.

"We have signed a death sentence for the Contras," said Ortega. He called on the United States to support the accords,



TELA, Honduras — Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, standing, hands a peace accord to his Honduran counterpart Jose Azcona.

and lift its economic embargo on Nicaragua.

The Contras have been reduced to making sporadic attacks since last year, when the United States cut off military aid. Non-lethal aid continues at a rate of \$4.5 million a month, with the stipulation that it can be used for disbanding and resettling the Contras.

"This is a very difficult situation for the Nicaraguan people. We have been fighting for 10 years to achieve peace and democracy for our country and now we feel abandoned," Contra spokeswoman Azucena Ferrey said in Miami.

The Central American presidents agreed to ask the United Nations to provide observers and verify the demobilization. Canada, West Germany and Spain already have volunteered to send observers under U.N. auspices.

The accords also call for a cease-fire in the 9-year-old Salvadoran civil war, but have no provisions for enforcement.

The presidents had already agreed to dismantle the Nicaraguan rebels at a summit last February in El Salvador, but a 90-day deadline for working out the details passed without notice.

In the meantime, Ortega set elections for next Feb. 25 and obtained an agreement with his domestic opposition that undermined the Contras by calling for their dissolution.

El Salvador's civil war has left 70,000 dead, according to independent estimates, while the Nicaraguan government says the conflict with the Contras has claimed at least 50,000 dead.

Dognappers demand politician's resignation

HOPKINTON, R.I. (AP) — Kelly, mother of seven litters and beloved golden retriever of Town Council President Sandra Johanson, is missing, the victim of what looks like a political dognapping.

Kelly's disappearance turned sinister after 12 hours when a man telephoned Mrs. Johanson's home and said:

"Get off the council and you'll get your dog."
Monday one week after Kelly's disappearance, Mrs. Johanson calmly retold the mysterious story, weary from grief-stricken appeals on radio and television and a week of sleepless nights.

It all began the night of July 31. That was the last time anybody saw Kelly. The 7-year-old canine

had been let out for her nightly cavort with Ginger to range over the Johanson's 64 acres in this community of chicken and dairy farms and plantations of sod for suburban lawns.

Mrs. Johanson, a Republican housewife and lifelong resident of this town of 6,700, 45 miles south of Providence, said the apparent dognapping is the work of a sick mind rather than a political foe. Rumors have sprung up nevertheless.

The 48-year-old Mrs. Johanson entered politics five years ago by running for the five-member town council. She quickly moved to the top to become the first woman chief executive in this town, incorporated in 1757.

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Civil rights advocates praise Bush rhetoric, criticize actions

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, described by an aide as committed to "breaking down barriers" to civil rights, nonetheless has drawn criticism at an Urban League meeting where leaders say his deeds have not always matched his words.

The president was to address the 70th annual Urban League Conference following appearances by several Cabinet officers. Bush has been considering a visit to sub-Saharan Africa this fall, according to White House officials, and there was speculation of an announcement today.

Before hearing directly from Bush today, several prominent civil rights advocates said the president's record thus far has been weak, though they embraced Bush's role in achieving legislation extending civil rights protection to disabled Americans.

"The civil rights community would give the president high marks for accessibility and symbolism and rhetoric but low marks on substantive civil rights policy," said Ralph Neas, executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights.

Civil rights leaders cited Bush's acceptance of Supreme Court rulings limiting affirmative action, his veto of minimum wage legislation and his choice of William Lucas to be the Justice Department's top civil rights enforcer.

Frederick McClure, Bush's congressional liaison and the highest ranking black member of the White House staff, said such episodes "have in no way diminished the president's commitment on the civil rights front."

Most of the civil rights movement's agenda "is George Bush's agenda," he said, adding that

"Symbolism is important, but it's not enough. For six months, there's been strong rhetoric on civil rights but little else."

Bush's priority remains one of "breaking down barriers, economic or otherwise."

Speaking Monday evening by telephone hookup with a league-sponsored town meeting in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Bush said he was "looking forward to taking a message of hope and challenge" to the Urban League today.

Urban League President John E. Jacob challenged the president to use the speech "to present bold new initiatives that help America's poor people and put us back on the path of racial progress."

Civil rights leaders generally praise Bush for his "offered hand" approach, but fault him on his

division at the Justice Department. Lucas was widely criticized by black leaders for lacking experience in discrimination cases and was rejected by the Senate Judiciary Committee on a 7-7 tie vote.

Still, the administration continues to stand by the nomination, including a behind-the-scenes effort by Bush last Friday to get the full Senate to ignore the committee vote and bring the nomination to the floor.

The administration's refusal to speak out against — or support legislation to modify — Supreme Court rulings last spring that sharply restricted affirmative action and made it more difficult to prove discrimination in the workplace.

Bush's veto of a new minimum wage bill.

The president's efforts to win

Senate confirmation to a federal judgeship for Vaughn Walker, a San Francisco attorney under fire for his membership in a club that excludes women.

The Justice Department's decision to undo existing school desegregation orders in Georgia, and its filing of a lawsuit challenging a Prince George's County, Md., desegregation plan.

Administration officials say Bush's civil rights commitment is a strong one that dates back to his support of open housing legislation as a first-term House member in 1968, when he broke with the rest of the Texas delegation.

The Urban League released a report Monday calling for "major initiatives" to overcome continuing inequalities between blacks and whites in employment, economic development, education and other issues.

Guns of August began Great War 75 years ago

EDITOR'S NOTE — The War to End All Wars remade the world and sowed the seeds of another terrible conflict that would follow in a generation. Here is a look back on August 1914 and what followed.

By MORT ROSENBLUM
AP Special Correspondent

PARIS — Only a scant few still hear the muffled echoes, but this month 75 years ago, the guns of August opened the Great War that changed the shape of the world forever.

World War I began when a Serbian terrorist shot the archduke expected to inherit the Austro-Hungarian empire, in a little town named Sarajevo. Within weeks, Europe was in flames.

On Aug. 3, the day Germany declared war on Britain, Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign minister, stared down into St. James's Park and said to a friend: "The lamps are going out all over Europe. We shall not see them lit again in our lifetime."

The next day, Prime Minister Herbert Asquith told the House of Commons that Britain was at war with Germany because Kaiser Wilhelm II ignored a British ultimatum to respect Belgian neutrality.

When it ended four years later, the Great War had demolished Europe's long-established social and political structure. It loosed political and social forces leading to revolutions, dictatorships and another world war that made the 20th century the bloodiest in history.

Ten million people were killed in battle or in the cross fire of World War I, without one decisive victory. Perhaps 65 million men took part in the fight, which wiped out the flower of British, French, German and Russian manhood.

Britain alone suffered 765,000 dead, compared with 265,000 in World War II, and 2 million wounded. It was a war of trenches where junior officers, often only 18 or 19 years old, were pitched into the front line straight from their school units.

In Britain, they were the young from an entire generation of the upper and middle classes.

They were the men who would have led the country or fathered the next generation of political leaders, innovators, experts and intellectuals.

In the west, eventual humiliation in France left Germany in

economic and social chaos, creating the conditions that spawned Adolf Hitler.

In the east, world war spilled into the Russian revolution. A czar bled white gave way to a Red Army. Shards of empires in Eastern Europe fell victim to forces that, after another war, locked them behind an Iron Curtain.

Across the Atlantic, the United States was pulled from isolation to emerge as a military and economic power.

Ancient Persia fell to a coup d'etat that brought to power the Pahlavi dynasty, itself brought down in 1979 by the Islamic revolution of Ayatollah Ruhollah Kho-

meini. African colonies changed hands, leaving confused loyalties.

After 1918, the world looked at itself differently.

World War I was the last fought the old way, with ranking officers leading their men in bloody charges, hill by hill and trench by trench.

In four years of trench warfare, officers moved among the troops to keep up morale under shellfire and, carrying revolvers and blowing whistles, led them "over the top" against machine guns hammering from behind barbed wire emplacements.

Pilots pitched bombs out of

airplane cockpits and submarines fired simple torpedos, the first steps in modern warfare that evolved to nuclear missiles within a lifetime.

The Great War left today's leaders with a forum for seeking accord. Horrified by what they had wrought, governments formed the League of Nations, forerunner of the United Nations.

It was long ago, and memories fade. In Paris, the American Legion is being edged out of Pershing Hall, for 61 years a shrine to the general who commanded the American Expeditionary Force.

Newspapers in Europe now focus on a later anniversary: It is 50 years since World War II began.

In Britain, the only national newspaper to mention the 1914 anniversary in Friday's editions was the Daily Telegraph.

"A swathe was cut through the manhood of Britain," it said, and "August 1914 was also... for better or worse... the beginning of the modern world."

"The Great War led to Hitler's Germany, and eased the creation of Lenin's Soviet Union," the editorial said. "It bound together the British empire, only to prepare it for dissolution."

"At home, it precipitated the liberation of women, socialist government and the loosening of the class system. The new influence of the masses wrought changes not just in politics, but in work, culture and thought."

It was a war of losers. From the first volley to February 1917, one Frenchman died every minute. When it was over, field marshals paraded down the Champs-Elysees more in relief than victory.

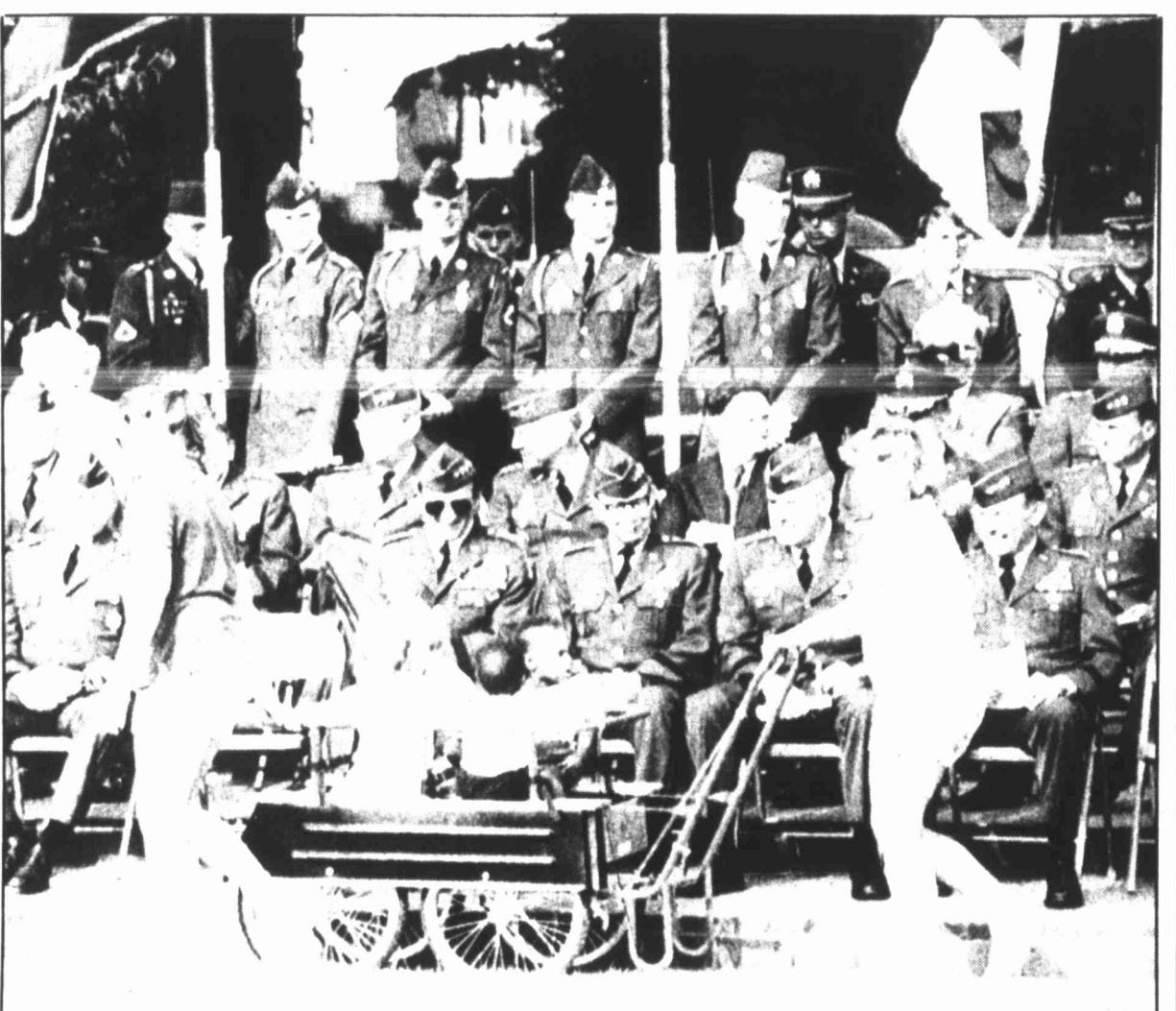
There was little to carve into the Arc de Triomphe. Men came home maimed and muddy, happy enough to be alive with a place to come back to. It was a war to forget.

At the veterans' hospital near Les Invalides, social worker Jeanne de Barrel has only a few Great War victims left to look after. All are nearly 100 years old.

"By now, they are ready to talk about the war," she said. "It has been a long time, and they bear no more grudges."

If the dates and details blur with time, the war without glory, the war to forget, is still remembered.

Just mention the words, Verdun, Ypres, The Marne and the Somme. Any Frenchman, any European, knows what they mean.



A general view

FORT MYER, Va. — U.S. Army generals in the stands seem amused by a cart full of babies which was pushed by before the start of ceremonies marking the bicentennial of the War Department at Fort Myer, Va. Monday. Suzanne

Costner, left, and Rhonda Raines, work at the base's child care center and were taking the children to watch President Bush and the ceremony.

Associated Press photo

U.S. and Soviets agree to rely on World Court

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States and Soviet Union have agreed to turn to the World Court to settle disputes over seven treaties to punish hijackers and drug traffickers, U.S. officials said Monday.

The pact is the latest U.S.-Soviet move to enhance the authority of the court, known as the International Court of Justice at The Hague. It is the main judicial body of the United Nations.

A legal adviser to the United States said there are no current arguments with the Soviet Union to test the new agreement, although such disputes have arisen in the past.

Five of the treaties cover airline hijacking, sabotage and terrorism. They require hijackers and terrorists to be tried or extradited.

Two treaties call for seizure of the assets of drug lords and the trial or extradition of drug traffickers.

Under the agreement, Washington and Moscow will submit disputes over interpretation of the treaties to an arbitration panel of five of the World Court's 15 judges, said U.S. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Both sides must agree on the five judges, whose ruling would be binding, the officials said.

The agreement was signed Thursday by State Department legal adviser Abraham Sofaer and Yuri M. Rybakov, the Soviet Foreign Ministry's legal adviser.

Under its provisions, Washington and Moscow could eventually submit other treaties to arbitration. However, disputes involving national security or the use of force are exempt.

Thus, Nicaragua's 1986 dispute with Washington would fall outside the accord. In that dispute, the Sandinista government contended the United States illegally mined its harbors. The United States refused

to honor a World Court ruling that sided with Nicaragua.

The accord could cover such cases as aircraft hijackers from Eastern Europe who in the past have landed in West Berlin, the U.S. official said.

Under the new agreement, the World Court could rule on whether a hijacker should be extradited if a dispute arose over his sentence or legal status.

Although the World Court has no powers of enforcement, its rulings carry an impact on world opinion.

Washington accepts World Court rulings under about 60 treaties dealing with a range of diplomatic and commercial rights.

For 40 years, the Soviets rejected the court's authority. Moscow reversed its policy in keeping with President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's new emphasis on human rights and international law.

The Soviet Union said in March it will obey the court's rulings in human rights treaties condemning genocide, banning traffic in prostitution and other forms of slavery, guaranteeing political rights for women, banning racism and outlawing torture.

Before Thursday's agreement, the Soviet Union rejected the court's jurisdiction in the seven anti-drug and hijacking treaties. The United States already had agreed to the court's authority in those areas.

U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze plan to approve the new agreement, U.S. officials said. They did not say when the two would do so, but the foreign policy chiefs are scheduled to meet in the United States on Sept. 19-20.

Discussions will begin with Britain, France and China to see if they will join the accord, the officials said.

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Self-taught ventriloquist shares talents with others

By DIANA FUENTES
The San Antonio Light

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Val Rodriguez supports himself and his wife, Elisa, on his earnings as a shoeshine man and barber. But in his spare time, he makes children happy through his recently discovered talent as a ventriloquist and he says it is a dream come true.

"It's a God-given talent that I didn't even know I had," the 34-year-old said, breaking into a

huge grin. "I always wanted to do it. I would say it was my biggest dream, and it's come true. Thank the Lord."

Rodriguez's partner in his ventriloquist venture is a wooden dummy known as Cappirucho.

"Where I go, I know he's going," he said. "The kids love him. They get this big smile on their face, and they just love to see him talk and act up."

Rodriguez said he believes he must use his talent to help children,

not just to entertain them, so he injects a strong anti-drug message into his shows.

"Drugs can ruin a kid's mind, make them do a lot of stuff they'll regret later," he said. "I talk to the kids through Capi, telling them to say no to drugs. They listen to him. He's like a friend to them."

He finally decided to try throwing his voice about five years ago, after seeing dozens of Mexican TV variety shows featuring ventriloquists.

"I began by practicing in the mirror, learning to talk without moving my lips. One day, this 'other voice' just came out," he said, altering his normal voice to a higher-pitched, more excited tone. "Isn't this great? It's the Lord that gave this to me."

Rodriguez, a deeply spiritual man, takes pride in his newfound talent, but he is equally proud of his work as a shoeshine man and a barber despite the hardships.

"We've had our ups and downs,

but the Lord has guided us through," he said. "I had to leave the mall (where he was shining shoes), and I tried barbering. But it's very, very slow on the outside. To be frank, I just wasn't making it. Then this new job came up. It's a blessing from the Lord."

The new job is a position as a regular barber at a local military installation.

"I used to shine the shoes of colonels and generals," he said. "Now I'm cutting their hair. They like my

work. I have a good reputation."

Rodriguez began his shoeshine career at age 11 with the present of a handcrafted shoeshine kit from a neighbor. In his early teens, he supplemented his shoeshine work with a part-time job as a door-to-door grocery salesman.

"I began shining shoes at Lackland Air Force Base when I was 14, and I stayed there for more than 10 years," he said. "I earned enough money from tips to pay my way through (barber) college."

Law may force AIDS disclosure

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas real estate agents may be required this month to inform buyers or tenants that a property for sale or lease was previously occupied by someone suffering from AIDS.

But first, the Texas Real Estate Commission says, it needs more information about a new AIDS law.

Under legislation that takes effect Aug. 28, an agent who has "actual knowledge" that a former owner or tenant had acquired immune deficiency syndrome will have to disclose that fact if asked to do so.

If the information is not available, the agent is protected from legal action by potential buyers or renters.

However, the legislation does not address a law passed two years ago prohibiting AIDS tests results, from being made public unless the person tested agrees to release the information.

The Real Estate Commission, in a letter to the attorney general, says the statutes "pose an irreconcilable conflict."

The commission asked the attorney general's office to issue an opinion on what constitutes "actual knowledge" of AIDS. The agency wants to know whether that means the agent has seen results from an AIDS test, obtained the information from the seller of the property or simply heard rumors.

In addition, the commission wants to know if it should develop a standardized form to be used by agents when a buyer or renter wants AIDS-related information.

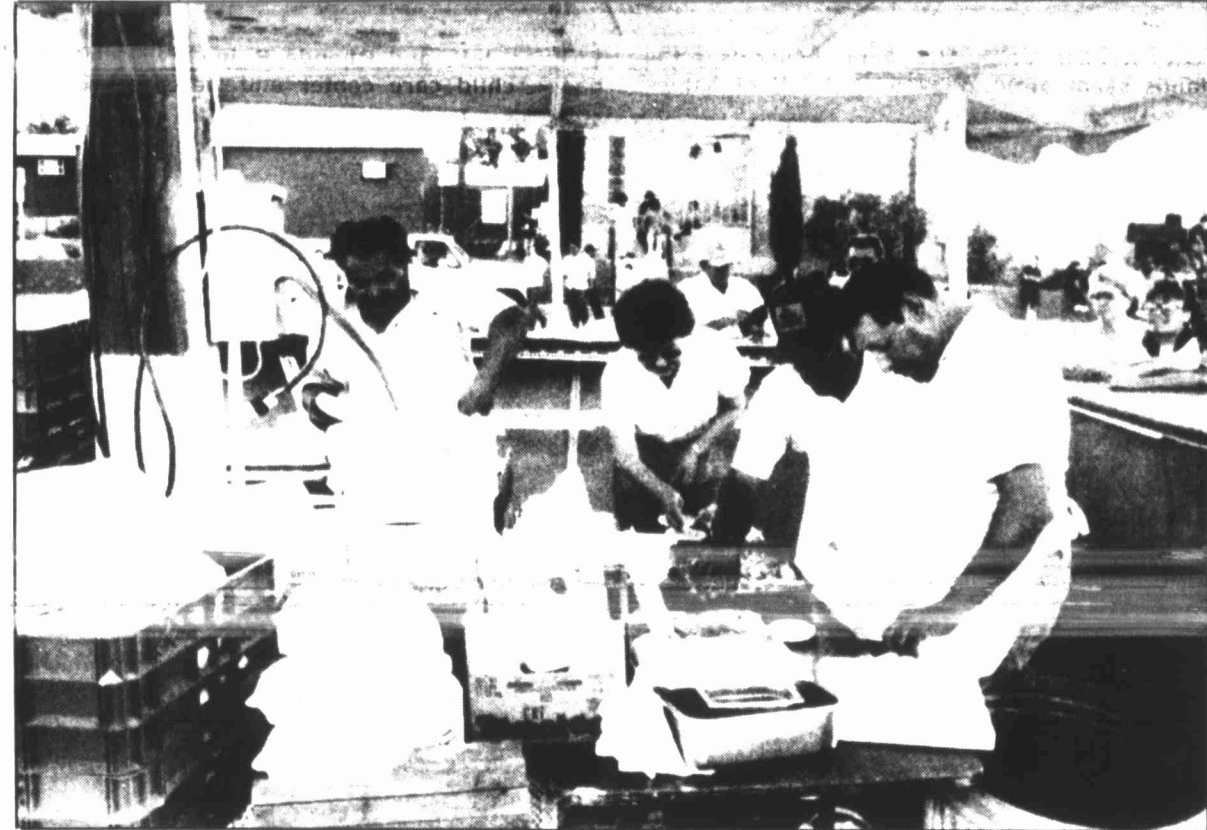
Rep. Debra Danburg, who sponsored the new requirements in the House, said lawmakers wanted to protect real estate agents from the threat of lawsuits by purchasers who wanted disclosure of the information and sellers disturbed by the invasion of their privacy.

Real estate agents have continued to disclose in advertising that a house had been inhabited by an AIDS patient, despite the 2-year-old law designed to prevent tests for the disease from being used to discriminate against people who have it, said Ms. Danburg, D-Houston.

For example, she said, an ad placed in a newspaper last year by the Veterans Administration to sell foreclosed Austin properties warned that one of the houses for sale had been occupied by someone with AIDS.

State Health Commissioner Robert Bernstein said medical experts' opinion is that AIDS cannot be transmitted through casual contact, such as being picked up from someone's living quarters.

"There is no danger whatever. AIDS is not contracted that way," Bernstein told the Austin American-Statesman. "In fact, you have to go out of your way to get it, through either blood transfusions or the exchange of bodily fluids."



Festival scenes

BIG SPRING — The Sacred Heart Catholic Church sponsored its 30th annual Summer Festival Saturday, with plenty of games and food available to visitors. In the top photo, Camillo Nieto tries his hand at the ball throwing booth. In the middle photo, John Rodriguez fixes a light at the bingo booth, while workers in the bottom photo busy themselves preparing food.

Beaumont native shares surgical skills abroad

By MARGARET MULREANY
Beaumont Enterprise

BEAUMONT — Working as a heart surgeon in New York City's biggest charity hospital means facing early-morning stabbings, car wrecks and blue babies.

It can also mean checking up on 40 patients and consulting 35 more before calling it quits 17 hours later.

But Michael Oszczakiewicz isn't complaining. He insists he's one of those lucky people who wakes up in the morning eager to go to work.

"It's a challenge. Things have always come easily to me. But with heart surgery you have to really concentrate. I'm thinking about it all the time," says Oszczakiewicz, sounding tired but sure of himself.

Back in 1975 when Oszczakiewicz captained the French High School championship football team his main thoughts were winning games and dodging jokes about his weird last name.

"School was easy," he recalls. "I thought I was looking at a career in engineering."

But Lamar University biology professor Leon McGraw turned him on to medicine. Then a job at St. Elizabeth Hospital gave Oszczakiewicz his first look at heart surgery and he was hooked.

"I just knew I wanted to do heart surgery," he says. "It's living life on the edge. I like the seriousness of it. When you operate on someone's heart you're improving the quality of their life."

Oszczakiewicz doesn't buy the idea that brain surgery is the pinnacle of medicine. "A brain surgeon has to cut through a lot of bone and tissue before he can

"I'm a Polish Catholic and I'm serious about my faith so I really didn't have a change in my religious feelings. But it can't help but change your view of the world seeing babies die that shouldn't die." — Michael Oszczakiewicz

operate on something and then it isn't moving. But the heart is moving, it's fun."

After graduating from Lamar, the road to heart surgery took him through four years of medical school at the University of Texas at Houston.

Then came the eight-year stint at the New York University Hospital including two years as an intern, five years in general surgery and a two-year fellowship in heart surgery.

But it took a trip to Iboland,

Nigeria, a poverty-stricken African village, to reassess his life. Dr. Maurice Hood helped develop the Nigerian Christian Hospital in this remote village. Hood, a retired professor at NYU and a fellow Texan, recruited Oszczakiewicz's services.

"Dr. Hood's been over there so many times he's like a god," Oszczakiewicz says. This year

Hood published the book, "Please Doctor, A Christian Doctor in Iboland."

Oszczakiewicz, wearing surgery garb and bent over a patient, graces the book's cover. Hood says Oszczakiewicz is one of the most dedicated doctors he has watched mature.

"I think Michael is more interested in working for people than a lot of young doctors today," he says. "He was willing to put in long hours over there without monetary gain, helping people who couldn't

help themselves. He also made friends with the people, which wasn't true of a lot of the other doctors."

Oszczakiewicz says he first volunteered for a one-month stint in Africa for the adventure and to do a bit of good. He came back with a changed perspective.

"I'm a Polish Catholic and I'm serious about my faith so I really didn't have a change in my religious feelings," he says. "But it can't help but change your view of the world seeing babies die that shouldn't die. When I go into a restaurant and eat a steak I can't help but think how lucky I am to be living in the U.S."

Oszczakiewicz says his work in Africa was limited to general surgery such as delivering babies, operating on hernias and performing appendectomies. "It was clinical medicine like medicine was 100 years ago. You don't rely on tests, it's just the stethoscope and your wits against disease."

Oszczakiewicz, 32, takes a breath thinking of all the years he has invested in pursuing his dream. "Oh man, it's hard to believe."

He figures the hardest part has been subjecting his wife and three children, all under the age of 5, to cramped quarters in Manhattan.

City bingo revenues increase

AUSTIN — State Comptroller Bob Bullock on Friday sent second-quarter 1989 checks totaling \$2.2 million to 67 counties and 108 cities that have legalized bingo and levy the 2 percent local gross receipts tax on the game.

Big Spring received a payment of \$4,026.19 for the second quarter of this year, for a total of \$10,908.55 for 1989 to date. This represents a 66.9 percent increase over the same period last year.

Total payments to counties for the first half of 1989 are \$3.6 million, an increase of 24.7 percent over payments sent to counties during the first two quarters of 1988.

Of counties receiving payment, Harris County's check was the largest, totaling \$210,733. Dallas County's payment was \$196,469 and

Tarrant County received \$146,549. Bexar County received \$99,360.

Cities have received a total of \$2.9 million in the first half of 1989, an increase of 19.7 percent over the same period last year.

The comptroller's office collects the 2 percent local bingo gross receipts tax and the 2 percent state bingo gross receipts tax on the game.

The local tax is returned quarterly to communities where local voters have legalized bingo and where local governments have levied the tax on bingo.

Bullock's office is responsible for issuing bingo licenses in Texas and regulating charity bingo throughout the state. There are about 1,900 nonprofit organizations licensed to hold bingo games in Texas, according to Bullock.

Disaster status sought

GALVESTON (AP) — Officials from Galveston and Brazoria counties are asking Gov. Bill Clements to declare the two counties disaster areas because of Hurricane Chantal.

Galveston County Judge Roy Holbrook and Brazoria County Judge John Damon said Monday they are asking the state to petition President Bush for a disaster declaration so low-interest loans and other aid will be available to those affected by the flooding.

Harris County Judge Jon Lindsay has yet to decide whether he will seek a disaster declaration.

Representatives of the Texas Department of Human Resources and Ed Laundy, state disaster coordinator for the Department of Public Safety, surveyed damage in the area Monday. Laundy is expected to deliver the aid requests to Clements.

Damage assessment totals were not available for all of Galveston County, but in League City, one of the areas hit hardest by Chantal's downpours, officials estimated

more than \$6 million in damage from flooding and wind and rain damage to more than 1,200 homes.

The city will spend about \$400,000 to clear debris and repair roads, said City Administrator Paul Nutting said.

In nearby Dickinson, heavy rains damaged about 200 homes, about 25 percent of which were insured against flooding, said City Administrator Luther Morgan. He said surveys coming into the city from homeowners showed damage costs ranging from \$4,000 to \$10,000.

The hurricane cost the city of Dickinson about \$65,000 to clear debris and repair roads, he said.

Friendswood officials estimated 345 homes suffered flood or rain damage and that the average repair bill will total about \$54,000, said City Manager Annette Brand. About 85 percent of the homes are covered by flood insurance, she said.

The city of Friendswood will spend about \$252,000 to repair storm damage.

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Lifestyle

Attorney more loyal to partner than mate

DEAR ABBY: My wife, an attorney, seems more loyal to her profession than to me. I work at home, while she works downtown with her partner. We earn about the same income.

Here's the problem: My wife works six days a week. Her schedule leaves her so exhausted that she has created "rules" about the time we can spend together. I am not allowed to have breakfast with her, since she eats breakfast with her partner. She eats lunch downtown, and either eats dinner downtown or skips it. I am not allowed to plan any activities with her on weeknights, and am allowed one weekend activity, which cannot last for more than three or four hours. I do most of the housework, in addition to working full time. Don't ask about kids; we have sex every two or three months, if she's not too tired and doesn't have the flu or a backache.

On Sunday of our first anniversary, she stayed home so we could celebrate. But between 8:30 and 10 that morning, she had four phone conversations with her partner (who knew it was our anniversary). Although I told her I didn't like his constant intrusion, she refused to communicate any displeasure to him. Finally, I blew up, phoned him and ordered him to leave us alone for the rest of the day. Then she called him up and apologized for my behavior!

She refuses to make any change in her work hours; in fact, they are growing longer. I understand that her partner works long hours and demands the same of her. A reduction might jeopardize their partnership. But what about our marriage? Am I "inconsiderate" to resent her rules, and want more of her time and loyalty? — **STUMPED IN SKOKIE**

DEAR STUMPED: You are not "inconsiderate" to resent your wife's rules — I think HER rules are inconsiderate. It appears that she is more concerned about her business partnership than her marriage.

You say nothing in your letter about love, sharing, caring, and all those things that make a marriage work — only a long list of "rules" telling you what you are not "allowed" to do.

If a couple ever needed marriage



Dear Abby

counseling, you do. Not all marriages are worth saving, and yours could be one of them — so I suggest you find out now, before either one of you invests any more time in this sad marriage.

DEAR ABBY: I trust your judgment. A while ago, I invited my grown niece, Janet (not her real name), to my home for a special dinner. I am a registered nurse and cooking is my hobby.

Well, Janet informed me that she was on a diet to lose weight, so if she comes to my home for dinner, I should not expect her to eat anything!

I was completely chagrined and disappointed, so I told her that since she did not intend to eat anything, there would be no point in coming to my home for dinner. Well, to make a long story short, she stayed home.

Afterward, I wrote to Janet, apologizing and explaining that I would have gladly prepared something she could have eaten, but she never acknowledged the letter.

I have felt terrible about this ever since. Tell me, Abby, what can I do to repair our relationship? — **MADE A MISTAKE**

DEAR MADE: On her birthday, or perhaps on Valentine's Day or Christmas, send an appropriate "Can't we be friends?" card. After that, the ball is in her court. Let's hope Janet mellows with time. In holding a grudge, she hurts only herself.

"How to Have a Lovely Wedding" is a revised, up-to-date guide for formal church weddings, home weddings, second-time-around weddings. To order, send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$2.89 (\$3.39 in Canada) to: Abby's Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)



Associated Press photo

Historic sweep

NEW HARMONY, Ind. — Eugenia Fisher, a tour guide at New Harmony, sweeps the walk in front of the David Lenz House. The community in southern Indiana was settled in 1814 by a group of Lutheran separatists from Germany and will mark its 175th anniversary this week.

Food labels lite on information

WASHINGTON—For health-conscious consumers trying to lower their cholesterol levels, a plump oat bran muffin sounds like the perfect alternative to the bacon-and-egg breakfast.

But is it? The healthy qualities of oat bran, which helps reduce cholesterol, can be more than offset by the artery-clogging saturated fats used in many baked goods.

And when consumers search for additional nutritional information, they often are frustrated by scanty or misleading labels.

"Current labeling has become so complicated and so misleading that you have to be a Ph.D. or a chemist to figure it out," said Rep. Joe Moakley, D-Mass.

Moakley joined Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan. and other lawmakers this week in introducing legislation to require informative, readable labels on all processed food. The bill also regulates nutrition claims made on the front of food boxes.

The legislation has gained the endorsement of organizations ranging from the American Heart Association to the American Association of Retired Persons to the consumer group Public Voice for Food and Health Policy.

"I have actually gone into a supermarket and bought products that say 'no cholesterol,' 'lite,' 'low cal,' or 'all vegetable oil,' believing that I was purchasing items that were nutritious," Moakley said.

"However, I have later found out that these same foods were high in saturated fats, sodium and calories. In short, these products were very unhealthy," the congressman said.

In addition to the problem of confusing or misleading labels, officials said because the current rules are voluntary, four of every ten boxes on the supermarket shelf contain no nutrition information at all.

Advocacy groups have been pushing for a mandatory nutrition label for more than a decade, saying it is inconsistent for the federal government to urge Americans to eat more fiber and less saturated fats, while refusing to require information about these ingredients on food labels.

The groups want to see fat, fiber and cholesterol content listed on every food label.

Personal ads can be a risky way to meet

NEW YORK (AP) — An FBI agent told a mystery writers' convention that personal ads proliferating in the nation's media are meccas for the Ted Bundys of the world.

Suspense writer Mary Higgins Clark is at work on her next thriller: "Loves Music, Loves to Dance" — about a young woman who answers a personals ad and disappears.

And in its August issue, New York Woman tackles the dark side of personals and dating services. While these forms of socializing are often described as safer than the singles bars, the magazine says "the entire organized dating industry thrives free from regulation by any consumer agency or group; in New York State, in fact, there are more laws affecting the operation of a pizza parlor than a dating service."

Linda Fairstein, chief of the Sex Crimes Unit of the Manhattan district attorney's office, says assaults resulting from personal ads are "severely underreported, even more so than date rape, which itself is underreported." Yet, she says, "the issue comes up virtually every time I lecture to civic groups and rape crisis centers."

Even the rare victim who does report a crime gets little satisfaction. Fairstein says her office has never successfully prosecuted a sex crimes case stemming from personals, and publications carry-

ing the ads are reluctant to pull them based on rumor rather than evidence.

Still, she says, the crimes should be reported. "Although they are difficult to prosecute, only by trying some will we win some."

Short of not reading — and not answering — ads, Fairstein says there are some things that can be done to protect oneself from a stranger. "It is unwise for the first meeting to occur in a private place," she says.

Meet in public. Don't immediately disclose your last name or your home address. Once you have established some trust, continue to play the sleuth. "Be suspicious if he says you can't reach him at work," Fairstein says, warning that a lot of planning can precede any encounter.

In one example in the magazine, the sexual attack didn't occur until the third date — in the woman's home. The attacker told his victim he had placed his ad under an assumed name, corresponded with her through an answering service and an address secured for the purpose and paid for the ad with a money order that couldn't be traced.

One bright note on the dark side of becoming involved with the unknown: Fairstein says serial killers like Ted Bundy generally strike at random rather than after meticulous planning.

Twins gather at festival

TWINSBURG, Ohio (AP) — Approximately 2,500 sets of twins decided to double their pleasure Saturday and Sunday by attending the 14th annual Twins Days Festival in this aptly named city.

Fifty-two contests were held to determine, among other things, the twins who traveled the farthest to attend, those who look most alike and least alike, and dozens of other attributes in various age groups. The same 52 contests were to be repeated Sunday.

President Bush sent a letter to festival organizers that was reprinted in the program for the event.

"As grandparents of two beautiful children who are twins, Barbara and I know that everyone

attending this festival has wonderful stories to share," Bush wrote. "We wish you a most enjoyable celebration."

The festival was begun to honor Aaron and Moses Wilcox, who settled in what was then called Millsville in the early 1800s. The Wilcox brothers were lifetime business partners, married sisters, held all of their property in common and died of the same illness on the same day.

In 1817, they asked that the town's name be changed to Twinsburg. In exchange, they donated six acres that now serve as Twinsburg's town square, and gave \$20 toward starting the town's first school.

Protect and care for furniture's wood finish

Chances are that much of your furniture is made of wood. While attractive and durable, wood is vulnerable to scrapes, scratches and stains.

Here are some tips to help keep your wood furniture looking its best.

Cleaning
• If you dust wood furniture often with a slightly dampened lint-free cloth containing a small amount of furniture polish, you won't have to polish as frequently.

• Choose a polish that matches your furniture's finish rather than its wood. Liquid polish, oil finish and paste wax produce high luster; cream polish and spray wax provide moderate luster. No matter which type of polish you choose, apply it sparingly. The real secret to a good shine is more rubbing, not more polish.

• Avoid switching back and forth from a polish containing oil to one containing wax. Applying both kinds to the same surface could cause blotches or smudges.

• To remove wax buildup, wipe the surface with a soft cloth dampened with synthetic turpentine or mineral spirits. Or use a liquid polish.

Removing Stains

• To remove water stains from wood, place a heavy, thick blotter over the spot, then press with a warm iron until the stain disappears. If the stain persists, rub it with lemon oil and let it set overnight. Wipe away the excess oil the following morning.

• Alcohol spills from drinks, medicines and cosmetics can dissolve wood finishes. Wipe up spills immediately, then rub the area with a cloth moistened with lemon oil.

• Milk spills can also damage wood finishes. Wipe the spill up, rub affected area with a damp cloth that has been dipped in ammonia and rub dry with a clean cloth. Or rub with small amount of silver polish or wet cigarette ashes, then wipe dry.

• Remove glass rings on table tops by rubbing them with a mix-

ture of mayonnaise and white toothpaste. Wipe the area dry, then polish the entire surface.

• Scrapes and Scratches
• Scratches can easily be treated with touch-up sticks. They come in numerous colors and shades and are available at paint shops.

• Hide scratches on mahogany or dark cherry by rubbing them with a cotton swab dipped in iodine. For unshellacked maple and cherry, dilute the iodine by 50 percent with denatured alcohol. To darken a scratch, rub it gently with the meat of a walnut. Rub the kernel of the nut directly into the scratch, not into the surrounding wood.

• For scratches in oil finishes, rub with fine steel wool and lightweight mineral oil or boiled linseed oil. Let the oil soak in, then wipe dry.

• Remove light burns with a thin paste made by mixing rottenstone or finely powdered pumice (available from woodworking suppliers) with linseed oil. Rub the paste in the direction of the grain with a soft cloth. Continue until the burn disappears.

• Repairing deep burns is a bit more involved.

1. Gently sand or scrape away the blackened wood with a single-edge razor or utility knife.

2. Select a wax or shellac stick that matches the lightest grain of the wood. Heat the blade of a curved grapefruit knife by holding it over the sootless flame of a spirit lamp or over an electric stove burner.

3. Hold the stick against the heated blade and let the wax melt into the depression in the wood's surface. Melt enough wax so the hole is filled slightly above the wood surface.

4. Let the wax cool. Then scrape off the excess with a razor blade.

5. To match the grain, use a fine-tipped artist's brush to paint dark streaks.

6. Seal the patch with clear polyurethane or an acrylic varnish spray.

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Inside Sports

Stanton golf tourney

STANTON — The Martin County Country Club will be the site of a four person select shot golf tournament Aug. 19-20.

Entry fee is \$200 per team. There will be cash prizes and a catered meal.

For more information call 756-2556.

C-City golf tourney

COLORADO CITY — The Lone Wolf Creek Golf Course in Colorado City is the site of a Labor Day Invitational golf tournament Sept. 2-4.

This will be a two-man or ladies partnership, 54 holes at \$160 per team. Each division will be fought with cash prizes in each flight.

A putting contest will be Saturday and Sunday with cash prizes Monday. Entry deadline is Aug. 30.

For more information call 728-3403 or 728-5514.

Big Spring tourney

BIG SPRING — The Big Spring Country Club will be sponsoring a Couples Golf Tournament Aug. 12-13 at the Country Club Golf Course.

The format for the tournament will be a two-person scramble. Each team will consist of one man and one woman, each being 21 years or older. Teams will be fought after Saturday's round.

Entry fee is \$150 per team, limited to the first 50 teams paid. A practice round will be Friday, Aug. 11. Call the golf club for tee times.

The first place winners will receive \$250 per team, second place, \$200 and third place \$150. In conjunction with the tournament, there will be a putting contest Saturday, cocktail party and dinner and dance. Saturday there will be breakfast burritos served in the morning, and a hamburger buffet after the tournament.

Boosters to meet

BIG SPRING — The Big Spring Sports Booster Club will meet tonight at 7 p.m. at the high school library. All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend.

Officers for the upcoming year will be elected.

C-City softball tourney

COLORADO CITY — The Mitchell County Church Softball League is sponsoring a Class D men's slow-pitch tournament Aug. 11-12 at Hertenburger Field.

Entry fee is \$100 per team. The first five finishers will receive team trophies. The top three finishers will also receive individual trophies. There will also be awards for all-tournament, MVP, golden glove and sportsmanship.

For more information call Joey Wright at 728-5920.

LL football signup

BIG SPRING — Signups for the Little Football League, for players in grades 3-6, will be Thursday and Friday at 5 p.m. at the American Little League field, located east of Howard College.

Signups will also be Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m., and each weekend signups will be Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. at the AL field.

Fee is \$15 per player who has his own equipment, \$20 for a player who does not have equipment. Each player should bring a birth certificate and must be accompanied by a parent. Equipment will be issued out upon registration.

For more information call Earl or Paula Sherrill at 263-0613 or Brenda Gregory at 263-4209.

Equipment issued

BIG SPRING — High School athletes at Big Spring will be receiving their equipment Wednesday.

The senior football players will get their equipment from 10 a.m.-noon. Juniors will get their equipment from 1 p.m.-3 p.m., and sophomores pick up their gear from 4-6 p.m. Equipment will be issued at the field house.

All high school volleyball players can pick up their equipment at the PE gym at the high school Wednesday. Players can get equipment from 9 a.m.-noon and from 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

Starting pitcher makes up for lost time

By KEN RAPPOPORT
AP Sports Writer

Greg Cadaret hasn't been a starting pitcher in the major leagues until this season. All of a sudden, he's making up for lost time.

Cadaret, who didn't make his first start until July 7, seems to be rounding into starting shape with the New York Yankees, as witnessed by his performance against the Cleveland Indians Monday night.

Cadaret had a no-hitter through seven innings and finished with a two-hit beauty in leading the Yankees past Cleveland 9-0.

"I'd have to say for now that Greg has earned a spot in the rotation," Yankees manager Dallas Green said. "He pitched his heart out and gave us a beautiful game."

Cadaret, a longtime reliever who

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was acquired June 21 by the Yankees in a four-player trade with Oakland involving Rickey Henderson, held the Indians hitless until Brook Jacoby led off the eighth with a single. Luis Aguayo's double in the ninth was the Indians' only other hit.

"I like it so far," said Cadaret, 3-2, who has had five solid starts since his skaky first one in Boston, when he allowed six runs in 5 2-3 innings.

In other AL action, Toronto beat Texas 2-1, Detroit beat Milwaukee 5-3 in the opener of a doubleheader before losing the second game 5-2.

Minnesota defeated Baltimore 4-2, Kansas City trimmed Boston 6-4 and Seattle stopped Oakland 5-1.

In two previous seasons with the Athletics, Cadaret had made 87 relief appearances. He appeared in 26 games with Oakland this year before coming to the Yankees.

Randy Velarde, Roberto Kelly, Bob Geren and Steve Sax each knocked in two runs apiece for New York. Most of the damage was done against Scott Bailes, 4-7.

"He did the job tonight, but he did throw some pitches. I thought we should have hit," Indians manager Doc Edwards said of Cadaret. "They made some great plays when we did hit him hard."

Incidentally, it was the second time that Jacoby had broken up a



DETROIT — Detroit Tigers' Garry Pettis looks at Milwaukee Brewers' Jim Canter, left, dropping the ball as he stole second base in the first inning of the second game of a doubleheader Monday night at Tiger Stadium. The Brewers went on to beat the Tigers 5-2.



At left, Kansas City Royals Jim Eisenreich is congratulated by teammate Kevin Seitzer for hitting a three-run homer in the sixth inning against the Boston Red Sox. Middle picture, Cincinnati Reds right fielder Rolando Roomes (36) is out attempting to score from third on teammate Todd Benzinger's grounder to Giants second



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baseballer Robby Thompson. Giants catcher is Terry Kennedy. Umpire is Dutch Renhart. At right, Chicago Cubs' Dwight Smith, left, greets teammate Mark Grace after Grace's two-run home run during the third inning Monday against the Montreal Expos.

Cubs feeling good as they take top place



CHICAGO - Montreal Expos' Dave Martinez slides past second base after being forced out by Chicago Cubs' Shawn Dunston during seventh inning action Monday night in Chicago. Dunston relayed to first to complete a double play on Jeff Huson. The Cubs beat the Expos 5-2.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The ivy seems a little greener at Wrigley Field, and the bleacher bums a little more rowdy. The Chicago Cubs are in first place, folks.

Chicago took sole possession of the top spot in the National League East Monday night as Mark Grace and Ryne Sandberg each hit two-run homers, leading the Cubs over the Montreal Expos 5-2.

"Feels good," Manager Don Zimmer said. "But we've been there before this year."

The Cubs, who won the NL East in 1984, have not won a pennant since 1945. They have not won a World Series since 1908, when Tinkers to Evers to Chance was the double play combo.

The Cubs and Expos were to play under the sun this afternoon, with Dennis Martinez taking his 12-1 record and 11 straight wins against Mike Bielecki, 11-5. An Expos victory would knot things up again. It was the fifth straight loss for

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the Expos, who dropped out of the top spot for the first time since June 25. Montreal had not lost five in a row since May 15-20.

"We lost five straight before but I don't remember when," Rodgers said. "I try not to put things like that in my memory bank."

Greg Maddux, 13-8, gained his 12th victory in his last 15 starts, pitching a seven-hitter for his fifth complete game.

"Going the distance is not important," Maddux said. "Winning is, and getting all those runs helped." The victory also gave the Cubs a five game lead over the fourth-place New York Mets, who lost to Philadelphia. Third-place St. Louis trails by four.

Elsewhere in the NL it was Philadelphia 2, New York 1; St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 0; Cincinnati

10, San Francisco 2; San Diego 5, Houston 2, and Atlanta 1, Los Angeles 0.

Tim Wallach gave the Expos a 1-0 lead with his ninth home run in the second inning. But the Cubs came back with three runs off Pascual Perez, 6-11, in the third.

Jerome Walton, who had three hits and extended his hitting streak to 18 games, led off the third with a triple and scored on Dwight Smith's single. Grace followed with his ninth homer, a drive into the left-field bleachers.

"I'm not a home run hitter," Grace said. "The win let us realize we have the ability to beat these guys. They kicked our butts before. If we're going to have a shot at this thing, we have to beat them ourselves and not rely on other teams to do it."

Walton singled with one out in the seventh and scored ahead of Sandberg's 17th homer off reliever Andy

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Players offer new hope for Texas pro football teams

Cowboys . . .

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Kelvin Martin, all of 5-9 and 163 pounds following a heavy meal, is known as K-mart to his coaches and teammates. But you won't find Martin in the bargain bin or on the discount rack.

Martin, entering his third season with the Dallas Cowboys, is fast developing into a prime-time receiver. No longer is he viewed as a backup whose primary duty is to return punts.

The K-mart moniker acquired from teammates last year is merely a takeoff on his name.

While Michael Irvin, the Cowboys' highest-profile receiver, has had trouble hanging on to passes in the early stages of training camp, Martin has been catching everything thrown his way.

"He looks to be a big-play receiver," Coach Jimmy Johnson said. "He's got outstanding hands, he's a disciplined player and he's a great competitor. I'm extremely pleased with Kelvin."

Martin and Irvin aren't necessarily competing for the same job. Martin served as Irvin's backup last season but this year they could both start.

"There's no problem with Michael," Martin said. "He'll be ready when it's time to play New Orleans (in the regular-season opener)."

"Anyway, I try not to judge other receivers. Everybody has their own way to get ready. As for



SAN MARCOS — J.D. Maarleveld, (67), left, a Houston Oilers tackle, works on a drill with defensive end Ray Childress (79) at the team's summer training camp in San Marcos Monday.

myself, I try to work doubly hard. Training camp is hard on everybody. You've got to fight through that."

Martin always diplomatically in-

sisted last season that starting was no big deal to him. He has modified that stance this summer.

"It's nice to start," Martin said.

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The Oilers . . .

SAN MARCOS (AP) — Houston Oilers head coach Jerry Glanville always prides himself on the courage that his players show on the field.

John David Maarleveld should fit the mold just fine. Seven years ago, football quickly became secondary in J.D. Maarleveld's life. Just trying to maintain life became his top priority.

"One thing we rate real high is courage," said Glanville. "He has courage. That is an attribute we think a lot of."

The New Jersey native was a starting tackle for the Notre Dame Fighting Irish when he began to feel poorly day after day. The days turned into a year.

"I was sick for about a year, but we didn't know what was wrong with me," he said. "It never entered my thinking that it could be cancer. I mean, I was 21 years old. And 21-year-olds aren't supposed to have cancer."

The sickness came to a head one day at a friend's house when he began vomiting uncontrollably. His father threw his 6-6, 290-pound son over his shoulder and carried him to the car.

The initial diagnosis was pneumonia, but further X-rays exposed a massive tumor in his chest. Shortly thereafter, his doctor told him he had Hodgkins disease.

Friends visited him later only to find him passed out on the hospital floor.

"(The doctor) really scared the hell out of me," Maarleveld said. "After I recovered from that, he told me I could beat it if I took well to the chemotherapy. That helped some."

After being probed and prodded during a month-long hospital stay with what seemed like hundreds of tests to begin battling the disease, Maarleveld began his sternest test — chemotherapy.

"The chemo was real bad," he said. "It was my lowest point. I really hated it. I was sick all the time and couldn't eat."

After 22 chemo treatments and 35 radiation treatments, Maarleveld was cleared to play football again, but found he wasn't welcome at Notre Dame under former Coach Gerry Faust. Maarleveld said that during his ordeal, he never heard from the coach.

"They said they didn't want me to play because of the cancer," Maarleveld said. "But I later found out they were over their scholarship limit. They had given away my scholarship."

Maarleveld wound up at Maryland with a medical hardship and during his senior year made the All-Atlantic Coast Conference team and several All-America teams. During his first year in the NFL as a member of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, he was named to the all-rookie squad.

Despite the standout rookie campaign, Maarleveld's first season was a disappointment. Despite the standout rookie cam-

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INDIANAPOLIS — Gary Muller of Johannesburg, South Africa, stretches to return a forehand volley during his match with Derrick Rostagno of Brentwood, Calif., during first round action at the U.S. Hardcourt Championships in Indianapolis Monday. Muller won the match 6-3, 7-6 (7-3).

Rostagno upset

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — South African Gary Muller upset American Derrick Rostagno, the ninth seed, in the first round of the U.S. Hardcourts.

Other winners were No. 10 Richard Matsuzewski; No. 14 Glenn Layendecker; No. 15 Michiel Schapers of the Netherlands; Nicolas Pereira of Venezuela; Pete Sampras; Andrew Sznajder of Canada; Diego Nargiso of Monaco; Jeremy Bates of Britain; Brad Pearce; Michael Robertson; Dan Cassidy; and Johan Carlsson of Sweden.

The top four seed, Stefan Edberg, John McEnroe, Tim Mayotte and Aaron Krickstein, received first-round byes and will not play until Wednesday.

Virginia Slims

MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Lori McNeil, the 11th seed, lost to wild-card entry Tami Whitlinger 7-6 (9-7), 6-1 in the first round of the Virginia Slims of Los Angeles.

Others advancing included No. 10 Patty Fendick; No. 13 Claudia Kohde-Kilsch of West Germany; No. 14 Terry Phelps; No. 16 Amy Frazier; Pascale Paradis of France; Gigi Fernandez of Puerto Rico; Claudia Porwick of West Germany; Isabelle Demongeot of France; Amanda Coetzer of South Africa; Australians Jenny Byrne and Elizabeth Smylie; Maria Linstrom of Sweden; and Americans Sandra Birch; Wendy White; Stacey Martin; Louise Allen; Katrina Adams; and Mary Lou Daniels.

Autopsy results

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Autopsy results showed that Los Angeles Raiders strong safety Stacey



Torans died of multiple head and chest injuries after being thrown from his car in an auto accident.

The Los Angeles County Coroner's Office completed the autopsy and ordered several toxicology tests to be run, but results won't be available for several days, said spokesman Bob Dambacher.

Toran, 27, was killed after he lost control of his 1984 BMW on a curve just one block from his Marina del Rey home late Saturday night, police said. He was pronounced dead at the scene.



Kilgus baby

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — Chicago Cubs pitcher Paul Kilgus returned home to Bowling Green, Ky. Sunday to be with his wife Lisa who gave birth to Brandon Paul, who weighed in at 9 pounds, 9 1/2 ounces. Kilgus, 6-10, was to have started for the Cubs Sunday but got the call to Bowling Green instead.

Pulling no punches

Court hearing postponed on baseball assault charges

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — New York Yankees farmhand Deion Sanders has won postponement of a court hearing on charges that he assaulted two fans he claims were harassing his girlfriend.

But the outfielder, who also is the first-round draft choice of the NFL's Atlanta Falcons, now faces disciplinary action from the Yankees' organization.

"I'm planning something for him, but I haven't decided what yet," George Bradley, New York's vice president for player development and scouting, said Monday.

Sanders, who plays for the Yankees' Class AAA Columbus team was arrested Sunday night, several hours after the Clippers lost a 16-4 to the Richmond Braves in an International League game.

Richmond police charged Sanders with two misdemeanor assault counts for allegedly striking two fans at The Diamond, Richmond's park.

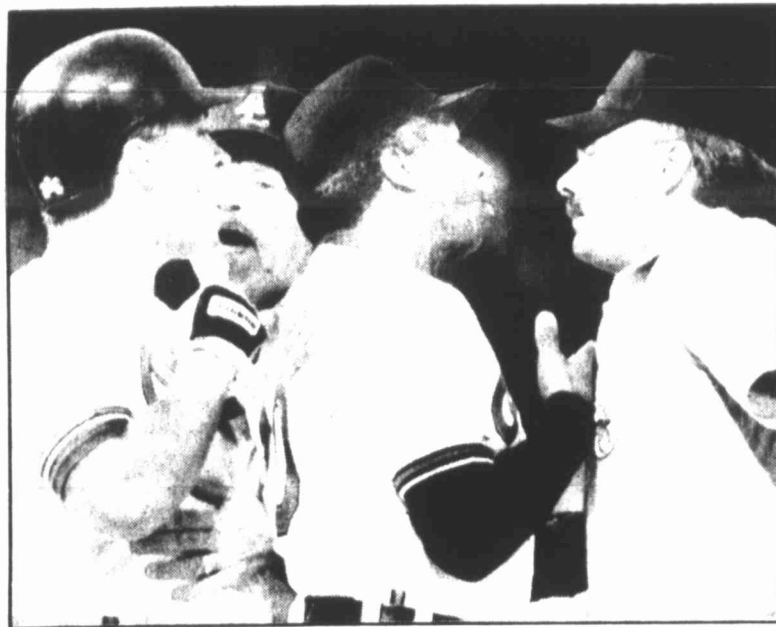
Sanders said the two men had been harassing his girlfriend during the game, so he went into the stands to get her after he was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the ninth inning.

"I went up to get her and I approached the guy," Sanders told The Atlanta Constitution in a telephone interview from Columbus. "I asked him why he was saying these things to her and what did he have to say now. They were afraid. They had nothing to say to me, but then his friends jumped over him and pushed me. One got his shirt grabbed so I wouldn't fall down."

"Next thing you know, he says, 'I'll sue you.' And I said, 'For what?' I didn't lay a hand on anyone."

A witness to the incident, Richmond real estate agent Horace Henshaw, father-in-law of Columbus pitcher Mike Christopher, said, "There was nothing to it. Deion and the one guy grabbed each other simultaneously. Then the concession stand people and ushers, about five of them, got between them and

Fisticuffs elsewhere . . .



BALTIMORE — Baltimore Orioles' Cal Ripken is restrained by the second base umpire Joe Brinkman while manager Frank Robinson talks to the home plate umpire Drew Coble who threw out Ripken in the first inning of Monday night's game against the Minnesota Twins at the Memorial Stadium.

And in football . . .

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Joe Haering was reinstated as the Pittsburgh Gladiators' coach, two weeks after being suspended for punching Arena Football commissioner Jim Foster.

Ray Jauch, the indoor league's operations director, suspended Haering on July 24 for punching Foster in the jaw during a brawl in Sacramento, Calif. Foster had come on the field to urge officials not to eject opposing quarterback Ben Bennett because fans wanted the passer to remain in the game. Haering became angry and hit Foster, believed to be the first time a coach has ever punched a commissioner in any American professional sport.

broke it up. The whole thing lasted about 15 seconds."

Sanders denied that he was reacting to taunts directed at him. "I don't care whoever says what to me," Sanders said. "But they were pointing to my female, saying

lewd things, and I decided to approach the guys. But I didn't hit anyone."

Sanders and his girlfriend, Carolyn Chambers, have filed a cross-complaint of assault against Ken Ross, whom they claim was

the aggressor in the incident.

"He snatched a gold chain off my female's neck," Sanders said.

Ross and Chris Burke, both of Richmond, filed the simple assault misdemeanor charge against Sanders, who made a brief appearance Monday in Richmond General District Court.

Judge Jose R. Davila Jr. explained the charges, told Sanders he was entitled to a lawyer and continued the case until Aug. 17. Sanders was released on \$5,000 bond.

Columbus Manager Bucky Dent accompanied Sanders to the hearing, then the two rejoined the team at Richmond International Airport for a flight back to Columbus. In Monday night's game, Sanders hit a two-run, inside-the-park homer as the Clippers beat Scranton-Wilkes-Barre 5-4.

The manager said Sanders, hitless in four at-bats in Sunday's game, denied hitting anyone.

"First of all, he's not supposed to leave the clubhouse," Dent said. "That's one mistake right there. You don't get dressed and just go up in the stands."

Bradley agreed with Dent. "But I'm not going to condemn him until all the facts are in," Bradley said. "I know one thing, and that's that Deion definitely did not belong where he was."

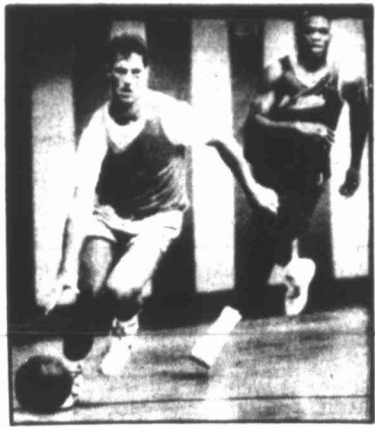
Dent fined Sanders an undisclosed amount for breaking a team rule by leaving the clubhouse prior to the game's conclusion.

If convicted of assault, Sanders faces a sentence of up to 12 months in jail and a \$1,000 fine on each charge.

Sanders last year pleaded guilty to a pair of simple battery charges and one count of disorderly conduct stemming from an incident at a Fort Myers, Fla., gift shop. He is still on probation from that charge.

Sanders, a two-time All-America cornerback from Florida State, was the fifth player picked in this year's NFL draft. He is negotiating a contract with the Falcons while playing baseball in the Yankees' organization.

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Soviet in NBA?

HENNIKER, N.H. — Sarunas Marciulionis, from the Soviet Union, dribbles off court Monday during the first day of the Golden State Warriors' rookie camp at New England College. Marciulionis is trying to become the first Soviet player ever to play in the National Basketball Association.

Divac now a Laker

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — The Los Angeles Lakers signed first-round draft pick Vlade Divac of Yugoslavia to a multiyear contract, making him the third Eastern Bloc player to reach agreement with an NBA team this year.

Divac, the 26th of the 27 players selected on the first round of the June draft, joins guard Sarunas Marciulionis (Golden State) and forward Alexander Volkov (Atlanta) as Eastern Bloc players that will play in the NBA next season.

Divac, 7-foot-1 and 248 pounds, averaged about 20 points and 11 rebounds per game the last three seasons for Partizan of Belgrade. He also shot 60 percent from the field.

Lister exchanged

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The Golden State Warriors acquired center Alton Lister from the Seattle SuperSonics in exchange for a first-round draft choice in 1990.



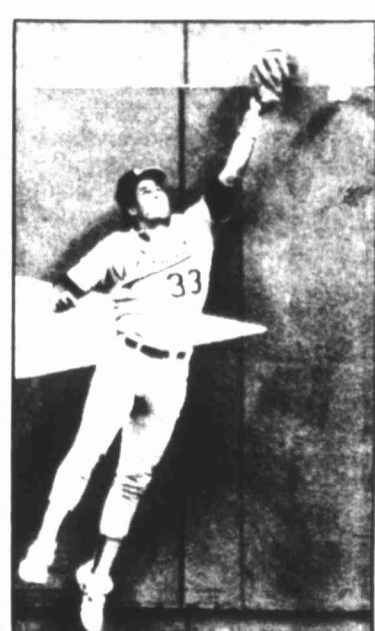
Grinding away!

HAWTHORN WOODS, Ill. — Keith Groseclose, a PGA technical adviser for Wilson Sporting Goods, grinds down one of John Mahaffey's golf clubs Monday as preparations continue for Thursday's PGA Championship at Kemper Lakes Golf Course in Hawthorn Woods, Ill.

AL player of week

NEW YORK (AP) — California's Chili Davis, who hit .448 and drove in nine runs in seven games, was named the American League Player of the Week.

Davis, a switch-hitting outfielder, had three doubles and three homers in seven games last week for the AL West-leading Angels.



Can't hold on!

SEATTLE — Outfielder Jose Canseco of the Oakland Athletics is unable to make the catch on a ball hit by Jeffrey Leonard of the Seattle Mariners during the first inning of their Monday night game in Seattle. The play was scored a double for Leonard.

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"It was a big win," Sandberg said. "We all remember that series when they swept us. They played good ball and we didn't."

Tim Raines also homered for the Expos.

Phillies 2, Mets 1

New York got a break in the ninth and gave it right back in the bottom of the inning, losing to Philadelphia at Veterans Stadium. Ricky Jordan reached on left fielder Mark Carreon's three-base error leading off the ninth and scored with none out on rookie Charlie Hayes' single over a draw-in outfield, snapping the Mets' three-game winning streak.

The Mets tied the score 1-1 in the top of the ninth off starter Ken Howell with some help from the Phillies.

Howell carried a two-hitter into the ninth and walked Darryl

Strawberry with two outs. Carreon singled Strawberry to third, and on a 3-1 pitch to Dave Magadan, Carreon broke for second. Catcher Steve Lake's throw on ball four skipped into center field for an error as Strawberry scored.

Former Met Roger McDowell, 3-5, relieved Howell and struck out pinch-hitter Mackey Sasser to end the inning and earn the victory.

Jordan led off the ninth with a high fly ball to left off reliever Jeff Musselman, 1-2. Carreon was distracted by center fielder Juan Samuel near the warning track. The Mets intentionally walked John Kruk and Jeff Innis relieved. On an 0-2 count, Hayes lifted a fly ball to center that fell in for the game-winning hit.

Cardinals 4, Pirates 0

Ted Power, released by Detroit in spring training, allowed four hits in eight-plus innings and singled home a run to lead St. Louis past

Pittsburgh at Three Rivers Stadium.

Vince Coleman and Ozzie Smith each singled and stole second to ignite a two-run first inning against rookie Rick Reed, 0-3, who allowed four runs and six hits in the first two innings.

The Cardinals won for the seventh time in 11 games to climb to eight games over .500 for the first time since 1987.

Reds 10, Giants 2

Ron Oester singled twice in an inning for the second time in five days when Cincinnati scored seven runs in the fifth inning against San Francisco at Candlestick Park. The Giants also had another pitcher injured.

Right-hander Scott Garrelts, the NL earned-run average leader at 2.42, was injured swinging in batting practice and was scratched from his scheduled start against the Reds. Jeff Brantley, who was

the 14th different Giants pitcher to start a game this season, replaced Garrelts and lost for the first time in seven decisions.

Oester, who singled twice in the Reds' 14-run first-inning outburst last Thursday against Houston, singled twice, scored and drove in a run during the Reds' big inning against the Giants.

The Reds have won five of six and eight of 11, while the Giants have dropped four of six and eight of 12. It's the first time San Francisco has lost two straight at home since June 30-July 1.

Ron Robinson, 2-1 this season and 6-1 lifetime against the Giants, allowed one earned run in five innings and Tim Lirtsas finished.

Padres 5, Astros 2

Chris James had three hits and drove in two runs and Bruce Hurst pitched a five-hitter for his seventh consecutive game as San Diego beat visiting Houston.

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no-hitter in the eighth this season. On June 25, the Indians were no-hit for 7 2/3 innings by Texas Rangers ace Nolan Ryan before Jacoby took care of that one, too.

Blue Jays 2, Rangers 1

John Cerutti pitched a five-hitter and Toronto capitalized on two errors by Texas shortstop Fred Manrique to beat the Rangers.

Cerutti struck out five and did not walk a batter in pitching his second straight complete game. Texas' only run came on Steve Buechele's fifth-inning homer, his 12th of the season.

Throwing errors on consecutive plays in the sixth inning by Manrique allowed the Blue Jays to tie the game. Kelly Gruber drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly.

The Blue Jays, who started the day three games behind AL East-leading Baltimore, improved to 56-56 overall and are 44-32 since

Cito Gaston replaced Jimmy Williams as manager.

Tigers 5, Brewers 3

Brewers 5, Tigers 2

Gary Ward's bases-loaded sacrifice fly in the eighth scored Allan Trammell with the go-ahead run, leading Detroit over Milwaukee in the first game of their doubleheader.

With the Tigers trailing 3-2 in the eighth, Lou Whitaker singled off Tony Fossas, 1-2, to score Rick Schu from second and tie the game.

Trammell, who was intentionally walked, went from first to third on Whitaker's single and scored when Ward flied out. The Tigers added another run in the inning when Chet Lemon's pinch-hit single scored Whitaker from third.

Rookie Kevin Ritz, 3-1, gave up six hits and two walks while striking out six in eight innings. He became the first Tigers pitcher to win three consecutive starts this

season.

Tom Filer pitched five-hit ball over eight innings and Paul Molitor broke a tie with a solo homer to give the Brewers their second-game victory.

Filer, 3-1, struck out two and walked four. He allowed a two-run homer to Whitaker in the first inning and escaped a big jam in the fifth before getting last-inning relief help from Dan Plesac.

Plesac gained his 26th save, tying Cleveland's Doug Jones for the American League lead.

Paul Gibson, 2-8, was the loser.

Twins 4, Orioles 2

Kirby Puckett singled home the deciding run in the eighth and Minnesota took advantage of two Baltimore errors in the inning to defeat the Orioles.

With the score tied 2-2, Puckett singled off Baltimore starter Jeff Ballard to score Al Newman from second. The hit got past Baltimore

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"I did say last year that I didn't really care. But this is a new year. It's an honor to know the coaches appreciate your ability and think you're capable of starting."

When given the opportunity last season, Martin delivered the goods. He caught 49 passes for 622 yards and three touchdowns. Twice he received extensive playing time. Each time he did the job.

Against New Orleans, Martin filled in after Irvin was injured and had eight receptions for 95 yards and two touchdowns. Against Phoenix he received extensive playing time because of injuries to Kelvin Edwards and Ray Alexander, grabbing five throws for 72 yards.

"When given the chance, I showed I could do the job," said the 1987 fourth-round pick from Boston College. "I'm not the fastest receiver in the league. But I run good routes, I catch the ball over the middle and I'm durable for my size."

That size issue keeps popping up. Martin doesn't mind the questions. If he were a fan, he says he would also wonder what this slightly built kid was doing on the field with much larger people.

"I've been hearing it all my life," Martin said. "I really don't blame people. When you watch a game on TV, when you picture a football player, you picture big people."

"But I was like a lot of other kids. I wasn't going to get much bigger,

but I'd dream. I stuck with it. I've been gifted with the ability to play and God gave me a chance."

Johnson and offensive coordinator David Shula also say size isn't the determining issue. Production is what counts.

"I don't know if size enters into it," said Johnson, who recruited many Smurf-size receivers at the University of Miami. "Kelvin's got a lot of talent and we're pleased with him. Of course, if Kelvin were three or four inches taller and performed the same way, I'd like him even more."

"He (Johnson) doesn't care how big a player is," Martin said. "He wants players who go all out and produce. He says he wants the best players out on the field and I'll hold him to what he says."

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paign, Maarvelveld was waived before the season started last August.

"I don't know what happened in Tampa," he said. "Some of the players told me later that Coach (Ray) Perkins just didn't like me. I guess I have to believe that, but I can't figure out why."

Maarvelveld, who works for the American Cancer Society in the off-season and may consider a career with the organization, followed former Buccaneers position coach Kim Helton to the Oilers and is giving life in the NFL one more try.

"This is it," Maarvelveld said. "I'll retire if I don't make it here. I don't want to be one of those guys who goes from team to team."

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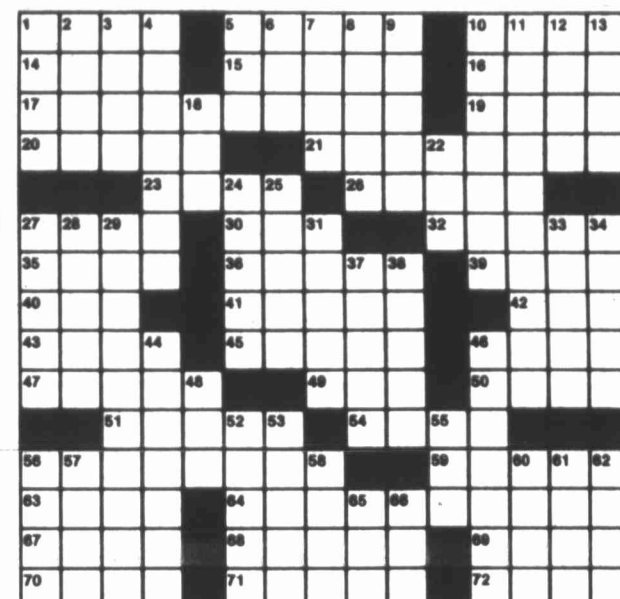
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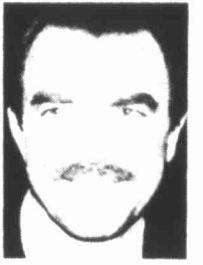
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Names in the news

NEW YORK (AP) — Musicians who quit Lionel Hampton's band because of inadequate pay are demanding that he rehire them, and a musicians union tried to picket the band leader's rehearsal space.



HAMPTON



SELLECK

Hampton on Friday but he did not show up at his rehearsal.

BIG TIMBER, Mont. (AP) — Actor Tom Selleck, who plays an American marksman in an upcoming movie about frontier Australia, won't need a stuntman to hit his marks.

Selleck proved to be a dead-eye with a black-powder buffalo gun last week when he visited Shiloh Rifle Manufacturing Co., which is making three of the guns for the movie.

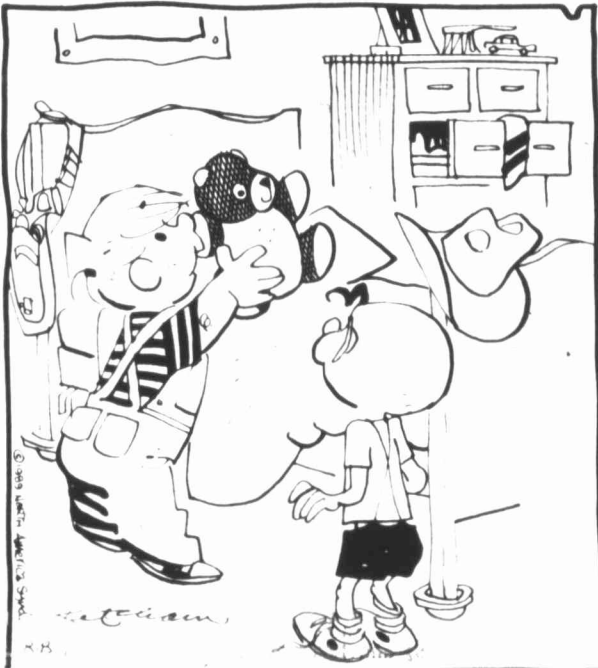
Selleck will play Matthew Quigley, an American marksman brought to Australia in the 1800s.

Twelve of Hampton's 16 musicians refused to board an airplane for Japan on July 25, saying they wanted more money per performance than Hampton was offering. Hampton hired Japanese musicians while he was in the Far East and hired Americans when he returned last week, said publicist Chuck Jones.

Local 802 of the Associated Musicians of Greater New York sent a telegram to Hampton on Thursday saying his striking members were ready to come back to work pending negotiations, said union President John Glasel.

No answer came back, Glasel said. The union tried to picket

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Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 1989

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: Grammy-winner Whitney Houston, basketball all-star Bob Cousy, actor-author Robert Shaw, poet John Dryden, Redskins quarterback Doug Williams, baseball manager Ralph Houk, tennis star Rod Laver, boxer Ken Norton, Atlanta Braves slugger Ted Simmons, comedian David Steinberg, former Georgia Sen. Herman Talmadge, outdoors author Izaak Walton.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Use your influence directly or indirectly to help someone deserving. Gather a number of adoring souls around you and face a challenge head-on. You work best when you have a large audience.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): It is time you realized that you do not have to be perfect to be loved. The

object of your affections prefers a self-reliant partner to a clinging vine. Make your own decisions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may have an unusual array of business calls to make. Longtime relationships count big. Be sure you build a strong foundation. Plan the vacation of your dreams with a loved one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Find work activities that truly satisfy your creativity today. Romance could be eventful. Hang on to your hat! Go all out to make a good impression on a special date.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Play your cards right. You would be wise to get to work early every day this week. If you try to act like a big shot, you could come up short. Seek new financial resources.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The future looks much brighter. You are beginning to really enjoy your work. Postpone a tough personal decision until you can gather more research materials. Up-to-date figures are essential.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your career goals move within reach when you reveal them to people who can provide financial and emotional support. Accuracy counts big at work.

Do not try to bluff at a meeting.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Singles get good news today. Pitch in and do your share at work. Try to analyze what is wrong with a relationship before tinkering with it! Strengthen your ties to a sibling.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Open your heart. Do more listening than talking. You have a golden opportunity to improve your financial status. Cultivate people who seem to have been drawing away lately.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your creativity is at a peak. Keep practicality in mind. You are sometimes your own worst enemy. Stop judging yourself so harshly. Others admire your efforts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Major developments take place at work, changing the balance of power. You get a chance to make long-overdue changes. Be nice to everyone. Someone out of favor may be invited back later.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You will have to make your own good luck where a relationship is concerned. Take nothing for granted. Relaxing in the evening will improve your productivity at work the next day.

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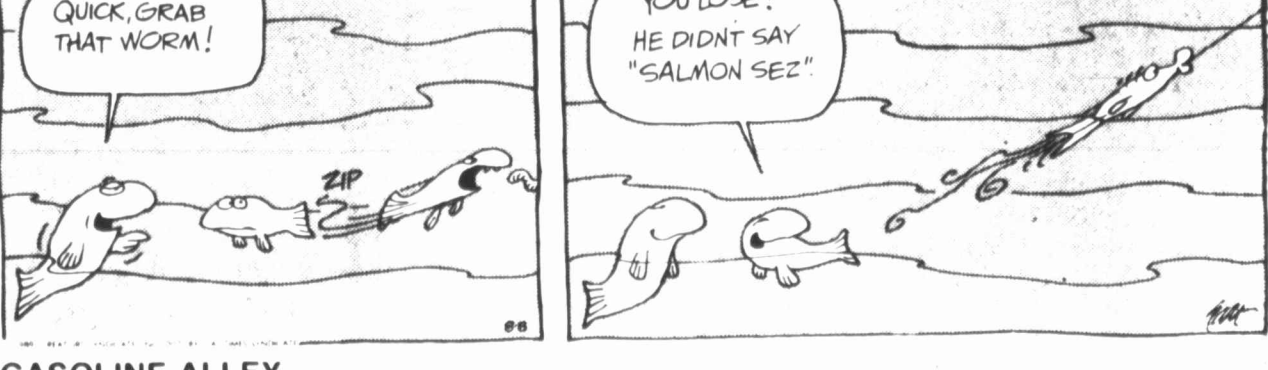
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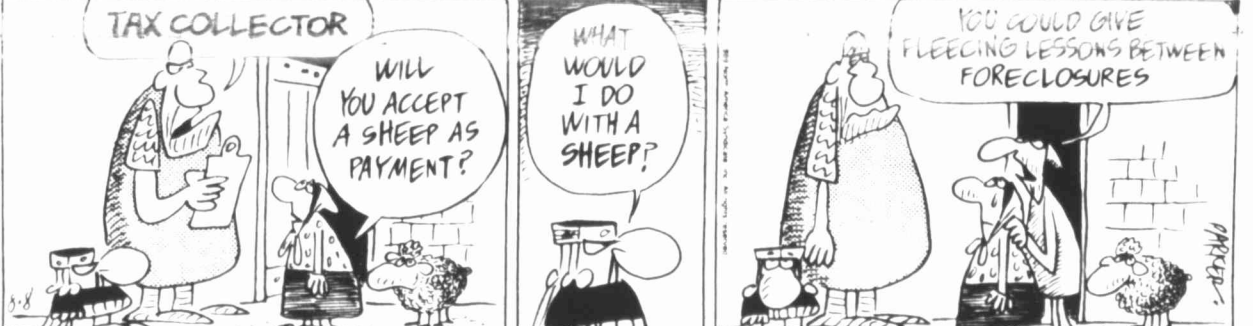


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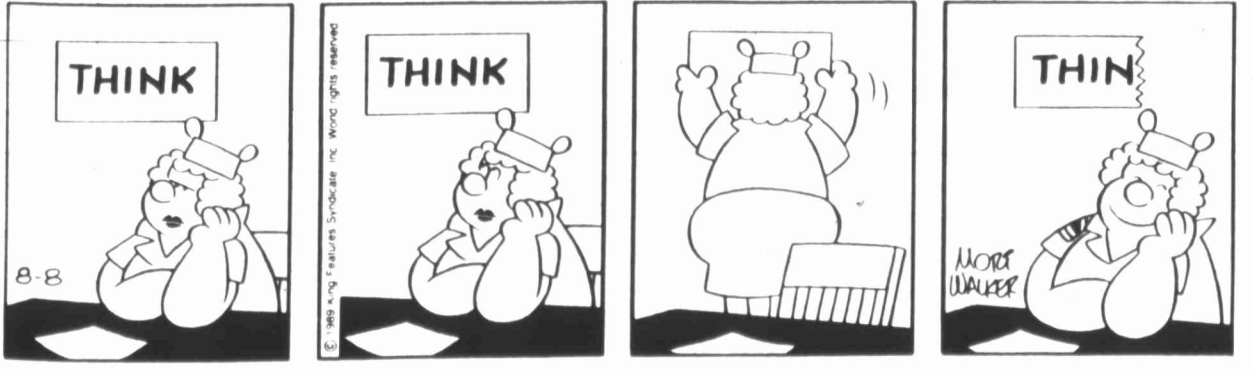
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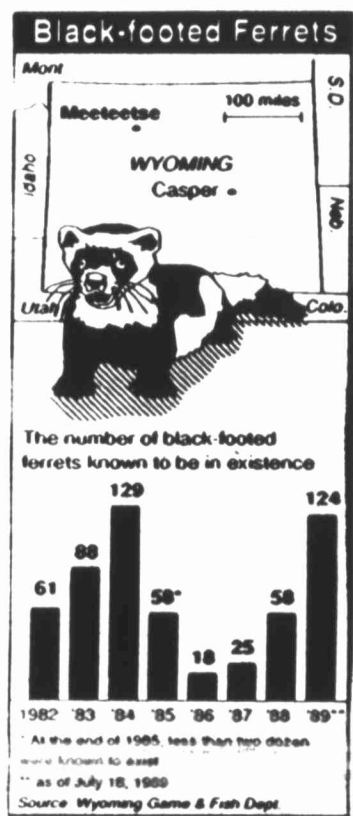
Plenty of doves

AUSTIN (AP) — There should be plenty of targets for mourning dove hunters during the season that begins Sept. 1 in the North and Central zones and Sept. 20 in the South Zone, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Ron George, dove program leader, said dove numbers appear to be at least on par with last year although surveys earlier indicated populations were down.

"Call-count surveys showed a 19 percent decline in resident populations from last year, which would be about 8 percent below the long-term average," George said in a statement. "However, unusual weather conditions during the survey period may have caused an artificially low estimate."

George said high winds during May and June hindered the ability of biologists to hear the birds. "Field reports since then appear to indicate there are lots of birds, especially in Central and South Texas," he said.



On the brink

MEETEETSE, Wyo. — Once viewed as the rarest mammal on Earth, a colony of black-footed ferrets is on the way back from the brink of extinction. The comeback for the ferrets was a part of wildlife management on the part of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

Hunting rules similar

NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (AP) — This year's hunting regulations will probably be similar to last year's rules, the chairman of the Central Flyway Council said Thursday.

The council's technical committee worked Thursday on recommendations to be made to the council Friday.

"The important point is we do not expect the hunting season framework to be a great deal different from last year," said Bill Bailey, Central Flyway Council chairman.

"There is no improvement in the waterfowl population status based on what the (U.S.) Fish and Wildlife Service" has said.

"We do not expect any relaxation" in the rules, he said.

The Central Flyway Council includes representatives of game and parks commissions from the central-flyway region, a major path of migratory birds. Areas represented include: Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Texas and Wyoming as well as the Northwest Territory, Alberta and Saskatchewan in Canada.

Bailey said he personally anticipates a duck-hunting season framework similar to last season's framework.

Updated directory

AUSTIN (AP) — An update to the 1989 Texas Hunter's Clearinghouse Directory is available from the Texas Department of Agriculture.

The June edition of the directory lists nearly 900 available leases, covering a total of 5.3 million acres in every region of Texas, the department said. Directory listings cover all types of game, including white-tail deer, turkey, javelina, pheasant and quail.

Late opening date set for duck season

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission today ignored staff recommendations and approved a later opening date in the traditionally duck-rich West Zone.

At commissioner Warren Pol's suggestion, the commission decided to open the first split of the 30-day season on Nov. 18 with closure on Dec. 4. The second split begins on Dec. 26 and closes on Jan. 7.

The staff recommendation for the East Zone remains the same with the first split scheduled for Nov. 18-Nov. 23, and the second split for Dec. 15-Jan. 7.

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Pol said the commission decided last year on a Nov. 18 date for the West Zone and was given no input into Helm's decision.

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"You keep this up and we won't sell 30,000 duck stamps," he told his colleagues at Thursday's

session. After approving the duck season openings, the commission said it would approve dates for a 70-day goose season later.

The duck limit will be three birds a day, including no more than two mallards, two wood ducks, one black duck, one redhead and one pintail. Of the two mallards, only one could be a hen. Canvasbacks cannot be taken.

The commission voted to ignore a federally approved point system, saying it was more restrictive than the conventional bag limit.

Hunters will be able to begin shooting 30 minutes before sunrise. Last season, the starting time was at sunrise.

Fishing: A tough job

Catch-and-release survival of striped bass studied

DENISON (AP) — Bruce Hysmith says it is a tough job, but he is willing to make some sacrifices. He is going fishing.

Hysmith, a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department fisheries management coordinator whose responsibilities include managing Lake Texoma's striped bass fishery, will use his rod and reel to spearhead a hooking mortality study on strippers at the Texas-Oklahoma border lake. And his Denison-based Parks and Wildlife Department crew of biologists will get a chance to get in some fishing action, too.

"It will be time-consuming... a tough job, but we are guys who are willing to make sacrifices," Hysmith said jokingly. "I have to remember to refrain from calling them fishermen. They are researchers."

Hysmith said the study is being conducted to determine the death and survival rate of striped bass caught and released. A new regulation on striped bass goes into effect Sept. 1 at Lake Texoma, allowing fishermen to keep 15 striped bass per day but no more than one longer than 20 inches.

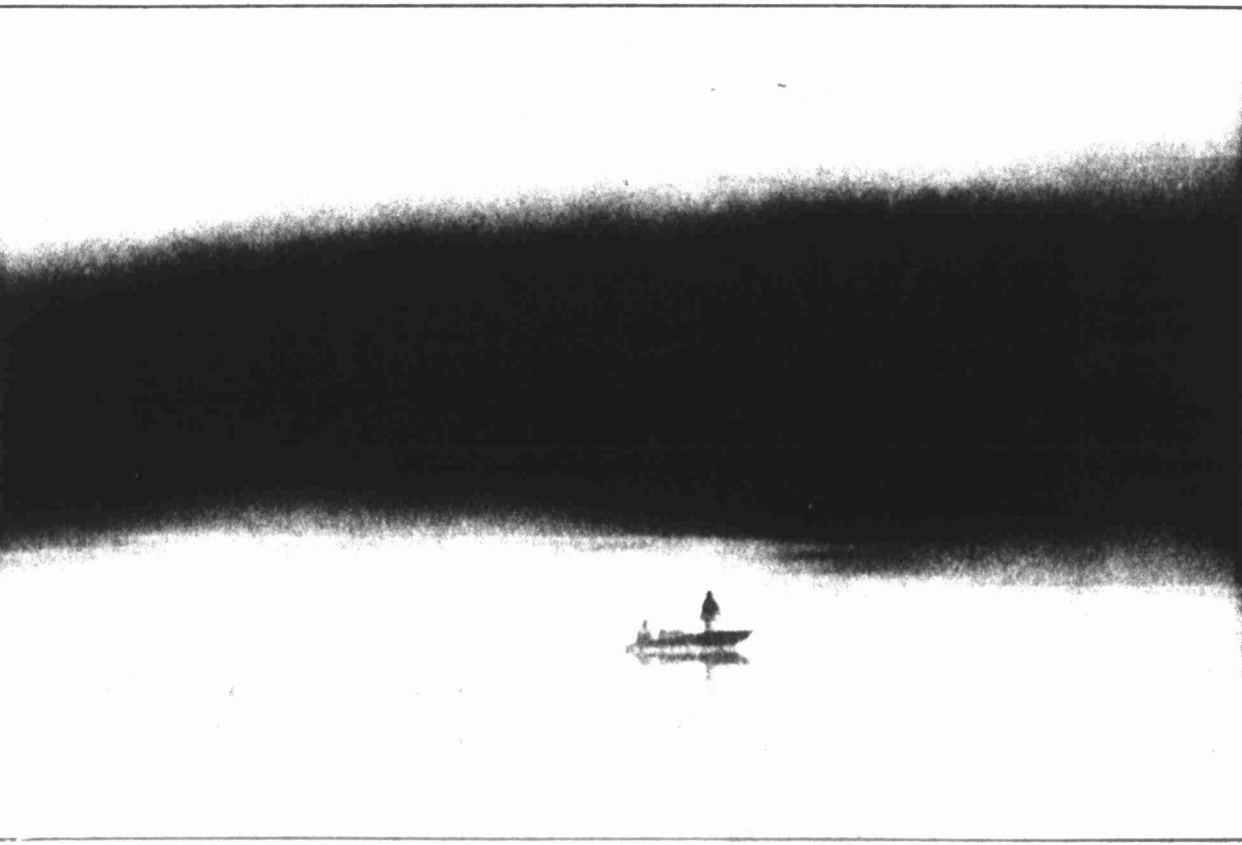
The limit on striped bass in the rest of the state is five per day with an 18-inch minimum length.

"The results of this study will provide valuable information not only for Texoma but also for the fate of fishes under 18 inches that are released in all other lakes in Texas," Hysmith said.

"If you have some length requirements that cause you to go in to catch and release, then you should know what effects that has on the fish. You need to know what the fate is of those fish under 18 inches that are released," Hysmith said.

The fisheries biologists will fish from two boats equipped with net pens that measure 4-feet wide, 6-feet long and 4-feet deep. Each fish caught will be measured, marked for later identification and then placed in the holding pen.

Another boat equipped with a circular tank capable of pumping cool lake water from as deep as 20 feet will be used to pick up the fish and transport them to a pair of 18-by-40 foot holding pens at lakeside facilities where the fish will be monitored for at least three days.



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WARSAW, Ky. — Two fishermen make their way across the Ohio River near Warsaw, Ky. recently. Heavy haze in the river valley obscures all but the

closest hills. In Texas fisheries biologists are facing a "tough job" without the haze. They're catching fish and then throwing them back.

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Hysmith said it has been somewhat difficult to get everything ready for the study.

"The logistics of getting equipment together has been difficult," Hysmith said. "The nets were specially fabricated for us by a company in Memphis, Tenn. And it also required a lot of time to put on huge floats and lead lines. We had to fabricate PVC pipe frames to keep the nets rigid as they form a column down into the water."

Hysmith began the first of the three-phased study this week, attempting to catch the strippers on top-water lures. "We will study the effects of fish caught and released using lures with treble hooks the first week, single hooks the second week and live bait the third week," Hysmith said.

Hysmith and a friend fished Lake Texoma one day last week and caught 30 strippers in less than an hour on Pico Pops. He said he is

hoping the fishing will be just as good for the actual study.

"At first, some of the guides were against the new regulations because they said they believed it would ruin their business by limiting people to only one fish over 20 inches," Hysmith said. "But when we made a creel survey last week and talked to 46 fishermen, including several guides, we didn't find anyone who was against them."

Hysmith said he hopes fishermen who catch their 15-striper limit at Texoma keep all fish under 20 inches. "We want to encourage them to keep those 14 smaller fish because what we are faced with here is an expanding striper fishery," Hysmith said. "Each year, the striper spawn here gets bigger and bigger. If you don't reduce their numbers, the result will be a slowed growth rate."

Hysmith said he will do an identical hooking mortality study in the fall, winter and spring.

Marauding bugs good news for repellent makers

By The Associated Press

With twitching antennae, buzzing wings and bloodsucking barbed mouthparts that imbed themselves in flesh like fishhooks, armies of carnivorous insects this summer have caused a run on the sprays and lotions that repel them.

The unusually heavy infestation of flying and crawling pests that prey on humans is giving the companies that make and market repellents a lucrative season. Sales of insect repellents could rise by 40 percent this year over 1988 to \$70 million, some industry insiders estimate.

"It's incredible! I just can't keep enough on the shelves," said John Learned, manager of Brooks Drugs Inc. in Burlington, Vt., part of what's become known as the "tick belt" that stretches from New England to the Midwest.

Learned said he's selling 10 times the amount of repellents compared with last year and that many customers are buying a half-dozen cans at a time.

S.C. Johnson Wax, which makes OFF! and dominates the repellent market, declined to disclose sales figures. But Richard J. Palmersheim, product manager of OFF!, said the company expects sales to be stronger this year because of a general increase in the populations of all biting bugs nationwide.

Even businesses that don't peddle chemical repellents are

benefiting, via sales of items ranging from screens to other natural anti-bug defenses like garlic and brewer's yeast.

Skin-So-Soft bath oil, for example, is said to be a hot-selling insect repellent. Avon Products Inc., which makes the oil, doesn't advertise it as such, though users have sworn by its bug-deferring qualities for years.

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They also credit the boom to a scare over Lyme disease, a potentially crippling ailment named after the town in Connecticut where it first surfaced in the 1970s. The disease is carried by Ixodes dammini, commonly known as the deer tick, a tiny but tough critter that lurks on grass and leaves.

Although these ticks are multiplying rapidly because of the rising deer population, which the

bugs breed on when they're young, scientists say the alarm over Lyme disease has reached unjustified proportions.

"We're not likely to see an invasion of the body-snatching ticks carrying off children," said Robert Hall, professor of entomology at the University of Missouri in Columbia. He said products that profess to protect against Lyme disease are "an effort to capitalize on the mild hysteria."

Many repellent makers are revamping marketing strategies to

highlight their products' effectiveness against deer ticks, which hop on humans in the woods and can silently latch into flesh with barbed mouths.

In May for example, Eclipse Laboratories Inc., of Boca Raton, Fla., introduced Tick Garde — a repellent that uses the same recipe as other well-known products that cost a third as much. Eclipse peddles its product with advertisements that proclaim: "This tick is a time bomb."

Some reports project \$5 million in Tick Garde sales this season,

which would be considered a remarkably strong showing for a new repellent in an already crowded market.

"We're not trying to scare or alarm," said Eclipse President Harvey Sosin. "All we're trying to do is help educate the public of something that does exist and is spreading."

He attributed Tick Garde's higher price to packaging and advertising costs. The product comes in a sleek, pharmaceutical-style box that looks like it might contain an anti-perspirant. The box also contains a brochure that explains the proliferation of Lyme disease and preventive measures.

"We spent a lot of money on that insert that is very educational to the consumer," Sosin said.

But Tick Garde has aroused anger among competitors because of what they call its excessive price and unfounded claims of exclusivity.

For example, both Eclipse and Littleton, N.H.-based Tender Corp., which sells a rival product called Ben's 100, market a formula made by Speer Co. of Memphis.

Like virtually all other repellents used on the body, they are based on the chemical compound N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide — commonly known as DEET. It was developed by the government in the 1950s and first used by the military.

Outdoor briefs

License sales up

AUSTIN (AP) — The state followed a nationwide pattern of modest gains in sales of hunting and fishing licenses during fiscal year 1988, said the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

In 1988, compared to the previous fiscal year, increases occurred in the number of paid hunting and fishing license holders; the numbers of licenses, permits and stamps sold; and gross expenditures by sportsmen for licenses.

Similar figures were reported by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, indicating that hunting and fishing license sales nationwide increased some 7 percent.

The number of paid hunting and fishing license holders also increased slightly over 1987, the federal agency said.

In Texas, the numbers of resident and non-resident hunting and fishing license holders each increased by approximately 1 percent. A total of 1,202,781 people bought hunting licenses in 1988, compared to 1,190,075 in 1987.

Seaweed invasion

PALACIOS (AP) — An invasion of seaweed called sargassum may be on the wane along Texas coastal waters.

Biologist Jim Dailey of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Palacios Field Station said the floating weed has been more prevalent in offshore waters this summer than anytime in the past 20 years.

"This definitely has been an exceptional summer for sargassum, similar to an invasion in 1965," said Dailey. "However, it appears that much of it has washed ashore by now and less is being seen offshore."

The floating mats of yellowish weed originate in the Sargasso Sea, an area in the Atlantic where solid mats of the weed can cover several square miles. Chunks of the mat can be broken off by storms, then carried into the Gulf of Mexico by wind and currents, said Dailey.

Conroe channel cat

CONROE (AP) — Lake Conroe, one of the state's more popular bass fishing lakes, apparently has an abundance of another sport fish, channel catfish.

Mark Luedke, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department fishery technician, said the number of catfish in the 21,000-acre reservoir north of Houston has increased dramatically since the introduction of grass carp in 1984 eliminated its aquatic vegetation.

Crappie improve

FRITCH (AP) — Length and bag limits established for crappie in Lake Meredith in 1985 apparently have improved the crappie fishery, said Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologist Joe Kraai.

Anglers are allowed to retain 25 crappie per day, with a minimum length of 10 inches.

During 1986, anglers harvested 9,350 crappie during April 1-June 30. The harvest increased to 27,570 in 1988.

Oldest reunion

QUITMAN (AP) — Possibly the oldest annual reunion in East Texas will be holding its 1989 annual meeting Aug. 1-5 at the Gov. Hogg Shrine State Historical Park.

"This reunion has been meeting without interruption on the same land since 1903," said William Phillips, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's superintendent at the park.

The first reunion was held in August 1900 to honor Wood County's 50th founding anniversary. Old settlers met on the lawn in front of the county courthouse, but they only stayed two days because of heat and a lack of water, said the department.

Thousands of people now gather each year at the park, and some have not missed a reunion in 65 years, said the department. James Stephen Hogg was governor of Texas in 1891-95.