

Iraq under attack

Bush: Initial phase a success

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush called the initial phase of the Persian Gulf war a success today, and his top military adviser warned Iraq that the air strikes were the first phase of a battle plan that includes "all the tools in the tool box."

"I think it is fair to say that we are pleased at the way things have gone so far," commented Bush as he opened a meeting with congressional leaders. "We are determined to finish what we have set out to do."

At a Pentagon news conference, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney cautioned against premature claims of victory.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said there soon would be movement of allied ground forces being repositioned for an assault on Iraqi troops entrenched in Kuwait.

He said the Iraqi military "should get greatly concerned about our ability not just to use one tool, but to use all the tools in the tool box that we brought to this effort."

After meeting with Bush, congressional leaders predicted swift adoption of a resolution backing U.S. military forces.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said Congress "has formed total ranks behind our armed forces."

While saying that the operation was "going very well," Cheney emphasized that "it is important for everyone to be careful about claiming victory or making assumptions about the ultimate cost of this (operation)."

"So far, so good," he said. After meeting with congressional leaders, Bush and most top officials of his administration attended a prayer service at Fort Myer that was arranged by evangelist Billy Graham.

Pressed for further comment on the military strikes, Bush said, "I will not be commenting on the ups and downs, and there will be downs, or the traumas of the moment."

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said that in a morning telephone conversation with British Prime Minister John Major, Bush expressed his pleasure that the air attacks were largely limited to military targets.

The press secretary quoted the president as saying that "it appears the precision bombing was successful as much as possible."

"The president said this morning that he had agonized over the possible loss of life and he was gratified that casualties are apparently few," Fitzwater said.

In the war over, Fitzwater was asked, "No," he replied.

In a sober speech to the nation Wednesday night, Bush said "the world could wait no longer" to expel Saddam Hussein's forces from Kuwait. He held out hope for a short war with little bloodshed.

"Our goal is not the conquest of Iraq. It is the liberation of Kuwait," Bush grimly told the nation in a nationally broadcast address from the Oval Office.

He pledged to expel Iraq from Kuwait and to destroy Baghdad's vast military arsenal, including its nuclear bomb laboratories, chemical weapons facilities and much of its artillery and tanks.



ON THE PERSIAN GULF — The pilot of an F4 Phantom fighter-bomber is welcomed back to base Thursday morning by a member of the

ground crew. Planes from the Persian Gulf air base were involved in bombing raids against Iraq early Thursday.

Allies strike hard and fast

CENTRAL SAUDI ARABIA (AP) — The United States and its allies followed up devastating pre-dawn air strikes with daylight attacks today in a furious bid to drive Saddam Hussein's armies from Kuwait and break his military might.

American military officials said the Iraqis offered minimal resistance, and that U.S. fighter-bombers would keep pounding away to prevent Saddam from marshalling his forces.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said at a morning Pentagon briefing that one U.S. and one British aircraft had been lost.

The American plane was an F-18 Hornet fighter-bomber, and Cheney said the pilot was the first American combat death in Operation Desert Storm.

Britain said one of its Tornado fighter-bombers was lost, with its two crew members missing. France said four of its planes were hit and one pilot wounded.

Baghdad radio claimed Iraqi anti-aircraft units shot down 14 attacking warplanes, but several American officials called the claim an exaggeration.

Cheney said U.S. and allied planes flew 1,000 sorties. Early targets in the raids on Iraq and occupied Kuwait included military bases and command and control centers. There was no way to assess civilian or military casualties, nor the extent of damage.

Cheney described the initial phase of the war as "so far, so good." But he cautioned against early assumptions of victory, saying: "There have been casualties and there are likely to be more casualties."

At the White House, President Bush declared the wave of air strikes against Iraqi forces "successful as much as possible."

"I think all of us are very pleased that so far, the operation is going forward with great success," he said.

he, too, is concerned about the possibility of a ground war. But he was glad to hear news that some Iraqi soldiers may be deserting the armies, he said.

"It looks like we've destroyed some of their morale," he said. "We learned in World War II that a disorganized resistance crumbles."

He said he believes everything has gone well so far. "It looks like we've been extremely successful. You can't tell too much yet, but I'm very pleased

Local reaction to attack generally positive

By DEBBIE LINCECUM and GARY SHANKS Staff Writers

As Desert Shield became a storm Wednesday, local residents stayed as close as possible to the news, eager for any word about rapidly-changing events. Some area veterans, reminded by the conflict of their own experiences, said they supported the action, but hoped the war would end soon.

American Legion commander Eschol Grafham said he was glad to see the conflict get underway in the

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Persian Gulf.

"I'm glad to get this started so we can get it over with," he said. "It looks like it's been (successful) so far. I heard we lost one pilot." He said war "always shakes you up, but it gets you more if you've served." The Big Spring resident

served 22 years, fighting in World War II and the Korean conflict. He retired from the Air Force as a master sergeant.

America made the "right choice" in striking first, he said. "That was a good move, our only choice," he said. "We've got to get this over and get out of there." If the fighting becomes a ground war, he said he fears the loss of many lives.

"There's nowhere to hide in the desert," he said.

Army veteran Ernie Boyd said

with the way things seem to be going.

"It sure sounds like we're doing it right," said retired Air Force Lt. Col. Sonny Choate. "They have a thousand planes running sorties, and have only lost one."

"This shouldn't take too long, hopefully," he added. "It depends on how strong his (Saddam Hussein's) hold is on his people."

Valentin Torres, an Army veteran employed at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical

Bush stakes his presidency on swift victory in Mideast

By WALTER R. MEARS AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON — In the end, it came to George Bush alone to make the judgment unleashing the Desert Storm of war against Iraq, a decision that stakes his presidency on clear and relatively swift victory.

Bush set his course even before the Tuesday midnight use-of-force deadline, deciding a day in advance that U.S. warplanes would strike at Iraqi targets Wednesday night — early Thursday morning in Baghdad.

But as Bush said earlier, the only war was the one that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein launched against Kuwait more than five months ago. Bush's decision was to strike back.

So the U.S. action orders were signed Tuesday afternoon, to be waived only if last-minute diplomacy showed the promise of getting Saddam to surrender Kuwait. And 19 hours after the withdrawal deadline, the bombs and missiles struck at Iraqi and Kuwaiti targets.

It was the climactic step in a series of moves Bush has ordered since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2: Marshaling support for a United Nations response and later for economic sanctions intended to choke Iraq into withdrawal; ordering U.S. forces into Saudi Arabia, then deciding to double them to a force that might take the offense.

He advised Congress, consulted its leaders, but took the action himself.

It was only last week, with the deadline looming, that Bush decided to ask Congress to authorize the use of U.S. military force against Saddam if all else failed.



GEORGE BUSH

And all else had failed, he said in a somber television report to the nation Wednesday night as American, British, Saudi and Kuwaiti warplanes struck at Iraqi military targets.

"Some may ask, 'Why act now? Why not wait?'" Bush said. "The answer is clear. The world could wait no longer."

Bush stressed that the strikes were by an international force, part of a 28-nation alliance against Iraq. That force, though, is overwhelmingly American.

And it was Bush's administration that put the coalition together, lobbied through the U.N. authorization of force, and got the Jan. 15 deadline set as a compromise.

When each of those steps failed to get Saddam out of Iraq, Bush ordered the attack, saying the Iraqi leader had "tried to make this a dispute between Iraq and the

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United States of America."

But at times it has seemed much more personal than that: Each president has called the other names. Campaigning for Republicans last fall, Bush made Saddam the villain of almost every stump speech, likened him to Adolf Hitler, promised to bring him to heel.

Bush didn't set a time frame, but said he'd told commanders to do what it takes "to prevail as quickly as possible," with the greatest possible protection for American and allied personnel.

For the time being it is an air war, with no word on when, if ever, ground forces may be into action.

In any kind of war, the political leadership of both parties rallies to the cause. Democrats who wanted to wait out the sanctions joined in support of America's fighting forces. Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., said he expects victory within days or weeks.

But Bush also faces the boisterous opposition of a Vietnam-style peace movement. There are anti-war demonstrators on the march in American cities, and a noisy vigil across the street from the White House. Mass marches are planned this Saturday and next.

His policy has majority support in the public opinion polls, but the protests of a mobilized minority became a problem for Vietnam-era presidents, and could again should the desert war drag on.

Eventually, some political figures who favored waiting out the



Back at base

ON THE PERSIAN GULF — U.S. flight crews arrive back at their air base in the Persian Gulf early Thursday morning following bombing raids against Iraq earlier.

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Sidelines

Houston reservist arrested, confined

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Marine reservist Harvey Hensley, 21, a declared conscientious objector who refused to report for active duty, has been arrested and confined to barracks at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Hensley was arrested Monday at Love Field in Dallas as he and his mother, Paula were en route to Oklahoma City, where he had been told to report.

Mrs. Hensley told the Houston Chronicle her son told her he spent the night in jail in Atlanta before going to Camp Lejeune.

Hensley failed to report when his Oklahoma City Reserve unit, now in Saudi Arabia, was activated Nov. 29. He was declared a deserter in January when he again failed to appear for shipment to Camp Lejeune.

Marine officials say all conscientious objectors are being shipped to Camp Lejeune for processing.

Teen describes racial attack

HOUSTON (AP) — A 15-year-old boy tearfully told jurors how he frantically tried to keep his friend alive following an attack by two men who yelled, "white power!" just before the confrontation.

Sean Sullivan said he and the victim, Hung Truong, 15, were in west Houston on Aug. 8 when

Truong was approached by two men who

Truong said, "I didn't do anything," when one of the men walked up to him and asked if his name was Hung.

"If you didn't do anything, why are you backing off?" Sullivan recalled the stranger saying.

Sullivan said the men chased Truong through an apartment complex. When Sullivan found his friend, he said the boy was lying on the ground bleeding from the head and ear lobe.

Sullivan said he heard two men yell "white power!" shortly before the confrontation. Harris County prosecutor Carol Davies said the men are reputed to belong to a racist group known as skinheads for their close cropped haircuts.

Suspect gave jacket as gift

HOUSTON (AP) — One of the men charged with capital murder in the abduction-slaying of a bank teller gave the victim's jacket to his mother as a late Christmas present, police say.

The body of Alexandra Rendon, 20, a Bank One employee, was found in a field Tuesday.

Robert Campbell, who was released from prison last August and Leroy Lewis, both 18, were being held without bond Wednesday.

Officers said that Campbell apparently recently gave the victim's jacket to his mother as a late Christmas present.

"That just shows what little conscience these people had," said Ms. Rendon's cousin, Israel George Santana. "It is unbelievable two people so young can have so much disrespect for another human life."

Authorities said Ms. Rendon was abducted Jan. 3 after she stopped at a service station.

Two fishermen survive ordeal

MATAMOROS, Mexico (AP) — Two fishermen weathered nine days stranded in a small boat on the Gulf of Mexico, overcoming high seas, fog, cold and hunger by hooking a shark and using a blanket as a sail.

Juan Morales, 40, said he and Francisco San Juan, 20, were 50 miles off the Texas coast Dec. 28 when the motor on their 27-foot launch failed, *The Brownsville Herald* reported Wednesday.

"It was a miracle that we were found," Morales told the newspaper.

Prayers and protest greet news of attack

(AP) As U.S. warplanes struck Iraq, Texans bowed their heads in prayer or raised their voices to protest the attack.

Relatives of some of the 40,000 soldiers deployed from Texas to the Persian Gulf were relieved the waiting was over, but concerned that their loved ones would return from the battles.

Security was tightened at some military posts and at airports to guard against terrorists retaliations promised by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

In Victoria, a much larger than regular crowd gathered at the regular Wednesday night Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, where prayers were dedicated to those in battle.

Two women who have sons in the Midwest wrapped their arms around each other, and their weeping grew louder as the Mass went on. "I tried to be brave but I just couldn't," one woman said.

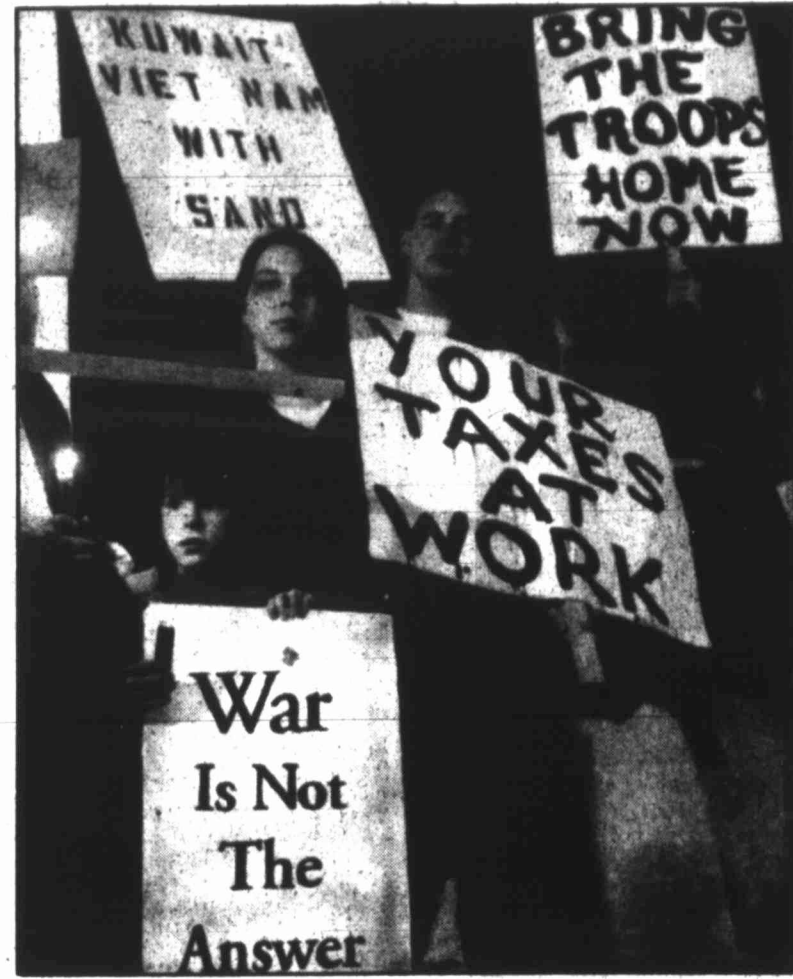
Whiteface resident Twyla Beseda, whose son David is a member of the Air Force stationed in Saudi Arabia, wept tears of fear after learning of the attack.

"I am very scared and disappointed," said Mrs. Beseda, as tears rolled down her face. "I was so hoping it would go the other way. I just got home from work and turned on the television and heard the news. This is devastating."

Mrs. Beseda said she feared for her son's life. "David is stationed at the air base where the Stealth bombers are located," she said. "He loads bombs onto those planes. I just pray to God that he is going to be OK."

"It's such a helpless feeling. I guess all we can do is pray."

In Austin, about 100 demonstrators made it to the Capitol Rotunda, where they vowed to remain overnight. Police said



they would let them. "You feel so powerless. I don't want to stay at home and sit in front of my TV," said Flora Grubb, 16. "It's our friends that will be drafted. No one asked our generation what we thought about this war."

The United States launched its promised attack against Iraq early Thursday morning in the Middle East. The attack came one day after a United Nations-imposed deadline for Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

President Bush's address to the

nation was monitored intently by wives of soldiers who have been deployed from El Paso's Fort Bliss

"It appears that all the ladies are glad that it happened," said Margie Brandon, who coordinates a support group of 94 families. "It was a total shock, though, that it was an air attack first."

"At least now we don't have to wonder when it is going to start," said Mrs. Brandon, whose husband Mark is an Army chemical officer in Saudi Arabia.

"Our guys have been prepared," she said. "All our guys called



Norma Nelson prays for her serviceman son stationed in Saudi Arabia during a candlelight vigil in Denton in the above photo. At left, Brittney King, left, Mary Zellner, center, and John Dial join others during a peace rally in downtown Dallas Wednesday night.

Saturday and Sunday and said it would be the last time that they would call and that it would happen soon after that."

The news of the attack came first from television reporters in Baghdad, and some people were unaware of fighting had begun until asked their reaction.

"It did! Oh for heaven sakes!" Hugo Ricca said in El Paso as his eyes widened and he took a step backward. "I've been hoping some sort of settlement could be, My God! That's something. Well I hope its quick. Let's cross our fingers."

"That's what I want. Now the economy will pick up. Before while people didn't know, they wouldn't buy because they couldn't make a decision. Now the business will pick up. I don't want to kill my people but I got to make something."

Happy hour customers at a Houston hotel bar were unaware war had begun.

"We were just talking now about how much time we would give them — two weeks or two days was what we were thinking," said Mark Burliss of Houston.

Richards blasts proposed increases

AUSTIN (AP) — The State Board of Insurance said it will consider recommendations made by Gov. Ann Richards, who appeared before the panel saying that proposed automobile insurance increases were "outrageous."

Richards on Wednesday called for major reforms in how the state regulates the insurance industry, including establishing a method for collecting independent data on insurance losses and expenses when trying to set rates.

Currently, that information is provided by the insurance industry.

She also called for an audit to see if proposed auto insurance increases were justified.

"Unless we have independent information that is provided in the public interest we are going to continue to see this business as usual, and it's time that it stop," Richards said.

The board's staff has recommended a 23.3 percent rate increase, which would be the largest hike in at least 32 years. Insurers want a 29.1 percent increase. The state's consumer advocate recommended an 11.4 percent boost.

Insurance Board Chairman James Saxton said Richards' call for an audit would be considered and that her recommendations "make a lot of sense."

He said he was shocked at the size of the increase recommended by the staff and industry, noting that annual increases have averaged 4 percent since 1980.

"All of the sudden we pop up with a big increase. It doesn't make



AUSTIN — Texas Governor Ann Richards, right, day, calling a proposed auto insurance rate "outrageous."

sense to me, so we're going to have to find out about it," he said.

Consumer advocates praised Richards for speaking to the board, while insurance industry officials said her recommendations were unfair.

"This is a terrific indication on the part of Gov. Richards that she intends to fulfill her promise to

change the way insurance is regulated," John Hildreth, director of the Southwest office of Consumers Union, said.

But Richard Geiger, an insurance group representative, said only insurers could provide accurate data used to determine rates.

Insurers also said that without a

sizeable increase in auto premiums, some companies will pull out of Texas, making it difficult for consumers to buy insurance.

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Many renters facing homelessness

BOSTON (AP) — Average housing costs that eat up as much as 90 percent of some renters' incomes are threatening to force thousands of people onto the streets, advocates for the homeless say.

"We are looking at a serious number of potentially homeless people across the country in the face of a recession," said Joan Alker, assistant director of the National Coalition for Homelessness, which issued a report earlier this month on rental housing costs in 25 large U.S. cities.

In the most expensive cities, such as Boston and San Francisco, people must earn at least

\$14 an hour — or more than three times the federal minimum wage — to afford a two-bedroom apartment.

In nine cities, at least 50 percent of renter households cannot afford a two-bedroom apartment at fair-market values, the report said. In San Diego, where such rent is \$647, the rate reached 64 percent, it said.

"Even if people can find an apartment here, it's often 80 or 90 percent of their income," Leslie Lawrence, a spokeswoman for the Massachusetts Coalition for Homelessness, said Wednesday. "They not only become homeless, but they have trouble becoming unhomeless."

Judge allows woman to be moved

CLAYTON, Mo. (AP) — A Missouri man may move his severely brain-damaged daughter to Minnesota for tests in what could be the first step in allowing her to die as Nancy Cruzan did last month, a judge ruled.

St. Louis County Probate Judge Louis Kohn's ruling Wednesday lifts a temporary restraining order that had blocked Pete Busalacchi from removing his daughter, Christine, from the Missouri Rehabilitation Center.

Busalacchi, reached at his St. Charles home, declined to comment. His lawyer, Robert Trammie, said Ms. Busalacchi, 20, could be moved within a few days

if the ruling isn't appealed.

Timothy Kelly, an attorney for the state Department of Health, said he wasn't sure if there would be an appeal.

Busalacchi has said he wants his daughter examined by Dr. Ronald Cranford, a neurologist at the Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis.

Cranford is a medical ethicist who believes euthanasia is justified in cases where brain damage is determined to be extensive and irreversible.

Ms. Busalacchi's case is similar to that of Ms. Cruzan, who died at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center on Dec. 26.

Report questions follow-up testing

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Breast-cancer patients don't benefit from intensive follow-up testing and savings would total \$630 million a year if doctors limited it, a researcher said Wednesday.

"A lot of people won't like to hear this," said Dr. David Schapira, director of cancer prevention at H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute in Tampa.

Schapira and Dr. Nicole Urban of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle reviewed about two dozen published studies from around the world for an article in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Following surgery and chemotherapy, breast cancer pa-

tients traditionally undergo periodic blood chemistry studies, chest X-rays and bone scans, along with physical exams.

Schapira said only minimal follow-up — physical exams and mammography on remaining breast tissue — is necessary and the other tests have no effect on rate or length of survival.

Symptoms like pain or lumps often signal the return of the disease in breast cancer patients before tests show it, he said.

If doctors limited testing to what is truly useful, the savings would be \$630 million a year nationwide, or \$4,700 per patient, Schapira said. That would be enough to provide mammograms for 49 million women, the study said.



Associated Press photo

MOSCOW — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev suggests that the Soviet legislature should take temporary control of the media in Moscow, Wednesday, a move that would roll back his 4-year-old policy of glasnost.

Gorbachev attempts to restrict Soviet press

MOSCOW (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev yesterday urged the legislature to take temporary control of the media and suspend the nation's press law.

Lawmakers objected and instead voted to create a committee that would look into ways of ensuring "media objectivity."

In Washington, the White House reacted with displeasure to Gorbachev's call for press restrictions.

"It's not a good sign that he is looking to subdue or muzzle the press as a way of getting objectivity," presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said. "We don't share that viewpoint."

Gorbachev's proposal was apparently prompted by a critical article about the weekend Soviet military crackdown in Lithuania. It appeared in the latest edition of the weekly *Moscow News*.

Citing high tensions, Gorbachev urged suspending the nation's press law, which curtailed censorship and guaranteed independent newspapers, radio and television stations. However, he did not offer a concrete proposal, and he backed off when deputies, including a journalist, objected.

The legislature then voted 275-32 with 30 abstentions to have the leadership of the Supreme Soviet and a legislative committee work out measures to ensure objectivity in all Soviet media.

"In connection with the period we're in, a period of important decisions, we need constructive dialogue and cooperation," Gorbachev told lawmakers.

Alluding to pressing national problems he said would justify the press restrictions, he said: "I see it already smells of kerosene. We are all alarmed."

The measure lawmakers voted on was put forth by Supreme Soviet Chairman Anatoly Lukyanov as an alternative to Gorbachev's proposal.

Gorbachev specifically objected to an article in editions of *Moscow News* that he said referred to the Soviet leadership as a "criminal regime."

Lukyanov held up a copy of the weekly newspaper, with the bold front-page headline "Bloody Sunday" and was bordered in black. A picture of a man showed a man holding a Lithuanian flag and running away from a Soviet tank.

World

Latvians encouraged by gulf news

RIGA, Latvia (AP) — The prospect of a quick victory by U.S.-led forces in the gulf war raised hopes today among Latvian lawmakers that Soviet military officers would not seize the opportunity to crack down against their separatist government.

Some Baltic leaders had feared that Western preoccupation with the Persian Gulf war would divert attention from the Soviet Union and allow hard-liners to try to suppress political movements.

Druvis Skulte, a member of Latvia's parliamentary foreign affairs committee, said in an interview that the apparent success of the first air raids on Iraq plus mass demonstrations by separatists in the Baltic republics should discourage a military crackdown.

"The Soviet leadership now

knows it can't take harsh actions against the Baltics without being condemned by world public opinion," he said.

Inese Birzniece, a Latvian government spokeswoman, said many lawmakers and aides were in the parliament buildings when they got word of the invasion early today.

"When we first heard the news we thought, 'Oh No! Now the Soviets will use the opportunity to take over.' After hearing that it was going well, the mood changed," she said.

However, volunteers guarding the Lithuanian parliament with hunting rifles, sand bags and concrete barriers, said they were awakened shortly after 3 a.m. by their commander, who said they should prepare for an attack by the Soviet army.

Kohl's leadership will continue

BONN, Germany (AP) — Germany's first freely elected parliament in nearly 60 years today chose former West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl to continue leading the reunited nation.

The vote was 378-257 for the man who shepherded Germany to full unification less than a year after the fall of the Berlin Wall. There were nine abstentions.

Kohl, 60, sat impassively as the vote was announced by

Bundestag President Rita Suessmuth and the chamber applauded. A few minutes later, he thanked the body for his election.

Kohl was expected to address parliament on the gulf war later in the day.

Kohl's three-party coalition won nearly 55 percent in the Oct. 7 parliament elections, the first free all-German vote since 1932. Kohl had been West German chancellor in 1982.

Iraq, Israel blamed for murders



YASSER ARAFAT, 1988 FILE PHOTO

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — A Cairo newspaper reported yesterday that Iraq sponsored the assassination in Tunisia of PLO leader Yasser Arafat's top aide after he disagreed with Iraq's actions in the Persian Gulf crisis.

In Tunisia, however, the Palestinian Liberation Organization blamed Israel.

A PLO communique said investigators found that the man arrested in the slayings "had contacts with an Israeli intelligence officer on Cyprus." It said the man was still being interrogated.

Israeli officials have denied any involvement.

The PLO leader appeared depressed and red-eyed during the meetings at a Palestinian school. He was flanked by PLO gunmen, and Tunisian police officers.

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New beverage can be deadly

According to the American Medical Association, young people who try Cisco, a popular new alcoholic beverage, are increasingly showing up in hospital emergency rooms. Cisco is packaged to look like a mild wine cooler, but, as the AMA and U.S. Surgeon General Antonia Novello warned the other day, it is "an incredibly potent, potentially lethal alcoholic beverage."

It is particularly dangerous to unsuspecting teens. In most states, no one under the age of 21 can drink Cisco legally, but of course they do. And Cisco, which is carbonated and comes in five fruit flavors, is particularly attractive to them.

The deceptively potent beverage contains 20 percent alcohol, making a 12-ounce bottle of Cisco equivalent to five shots of vodka. Consumption of two bottles within an hour by a person weighing 100 pounds or less can cause death due to acute alcohol poisoning. And teen-agers and inexperienced drinkers are guzzling it like soda pop. The potent wine reportedly was responsible for at least 10 cases of acute alcohol poisoning since last March at one hospital in the Washington, D.C., area alone.

In response to complaints, the manufacturer of Cisco, Canandaigua Wine Co. of New York, has put labels on its bottles stating "this is not a wine cooler" and have enlarged the 20 percent alcohol content disclosure on the label as well.

But that's not enough. The surgeon general has asked that Cisco be repackaged to make it look like what it is, a highly potent fortified wine. She's also appealing to the public to urge their local liquor retailers not to stock it next to the soda pop and the less potent wine coolers. Some liquor retailers — notably Liquor Barn and Southland Corp., owner of 7-Eleven stores, among others — are refusing to sell Cisco in its current form. It would be nice if others did the same.

Mideast: little to laugh at, much to pray about

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Random thoughts while praying for peace:

With the distinct possibility that war might be raging as these words hit the press, one would be mightily pressed to find anything the least bit humorous about the Persian Gulf crisis, but the following item caused me to do a double-take.

World War II had Tokyo Rose, the anonymous female who broadcast propaganda over Japanese radio aimed at lowering morale among Allied troops.

As history has shown, Rose was an undeniable flop. Not only did she not discourage U.S. troops, she probably stiffened their resolve to wipe the Axis threat off the face of the map.

Well, times may have changed, but not that much. Once again, U.S. soldiers are poised on the brink of war thousands of miles from home, and once again some nameless, faceless female is playing the airwaves in an attempt to wreck the soldiers' morale.

The woman, who Americans have named Baghdad Betty, has been on the air almost since the first U.S. soldier landed in Saudi Arabia in August. And, if a recent report in *Time* magazine is any indication, Saddam Hussein needs to fire her and get somebody else to strike fear into the hearts of our Marines.

Time reported that, during a recent transmission, BB told the Americans that they best hurry home, since their wives were sleeping with "famous American movie stars" like Arnold Schwarzenegger, Tom Cruise — and even Bart Simpson.

Simpson was unavailable for comment.

Other than Baghdad Betty, however, there is precious little to smile about these days when one's attention turns to the Persian Gulf.

War, it seems, is almost inevitable. As the final peace plans have fallen by the boards, events have taken on a surreal quality. Seconds drag on, minutes seem to last forever and days seem interminable.

In the past few days, I have learned more about M-1 tanks, Apache helicopters, A-6 Intruders, troop strengths, failed diplomacy and gas masks than I ever cared to.

My colleagues, usually a pretty irreverent bunch, seem to be a bit more subdued these days. Heck, for that matter, everybody I know seems to be more subdued.

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Beyond the realm

TV, we have seen our soldiers preparing for what may be the ultimate sacrifice. We have listened to them express their hopes and fears, and we have made them our own.

War, which used to be the subject of abstract, almost glib debate, has now taken on a more personal appearance. The Persian Gulf crisis is about Saddam Hussein and George Bush, but it is also about a Marine from New Jersey, an Air Force pilot from California and thousands more.

The politicians may dominate the headlines, but it is the troops who are on our minds, because it is they who may have to settle the dispute by putting themselves in harm's way.

The old men argue, then send the young men (and women) to fight. It has been that way for eons, and we just can't seem to find a way to make it any different.

It is impossible to carry on a conversation for more than a few minutes without the Persian Gulf becoming a topic. People ask me if I think there will be a war, or I ask them the same question.

Will there be a war? Should there be a war? Could we have avoided this mess altogether?

By the time these words are printed, those questions may be moot, but as I write this column, most of the world is asking the same questions.

While I disagree with those who think we shouldn't be in Saudi Arabia, I also believe that anybody who has come to the same conclusion has done so only after some intense soul-searching.

This conflict is not just about oil. Nor is it just about Kuwait or stopping a madman from stomping on international laws and norms.

Rather, it is about a combination of those things and, for better or worse, it has been decided that the United States and its allies are going to have to force Saddam to back down.

All of this is of little consolation to the soldiers and their families, but we can at least pray for their safety. And while we are praying, perhaps we can remember a prayer uttered by a pastor in Richardson:

"Bring us all, dear Lord, to our senses."

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

DON SARGENT
Dallas, Texas



Party's over, now for business

By MARC SCHWARZ

The day after an inauguration is somewhat like the day after Christmas — the celebrations end, the decorations begin to come down, and the festive atmosphere gives way to the pressures and drudgery of everyday existence.

Ann Richards has had her moment — a two-day spree of parties, parades, banquets, and balls — to savor her victory over Republican contender Clayton Williams in last November's gubernatorial election. But now the holiday is over, and the state's new chief executive must deal with, or attempt to deal with, a range of issues that are arguably the most critical in modern Texas history.

A failing and pitifully deficient public school system, a mounting deficit, an often bloated and inefficient state government — taken together, these are truly a formidable task to address, and one which most politicians, including the outgoing administration, are inclined to avoid. Texas can ill afford yet another four years of such procrastination. If Ann Richards has the necessary mettle, we should know it soon enough.

Her foremost priority, as she herself has publicly recognized, is the abysmal state of the public school system. The Legislature, bereft of real leadership and direction, dealt only peripherally with the issue until the Texas Supreme Court declared the funding system unconstitutional last spring, forcing it to hold a marathon series of special sessions to arrive at a suitable alternative. The result was a "guaranteed yield" in which the state pays the difference between a statewide average and the amount a school district raises from local tax dollars. In effect, this means the higher a district's tax rate, the more money the state contributes.

Should the Supreme Court strike down this current plan, as it is expected to do (in support of a lower court's ruling), legislators will be



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forced to find a more lasting solution to the problem before turning to other crucial education issues, such as Texas' abnormally high dropout rate (nearly one-third of Texas students drop out before they finish high school), a relatively short school year (compared to other states), and the difficulties of attracting and compensating qualified, competent teachers.

Should that not be enough for our Legislature — and our new governor — to digest, there's still the matter of a nearly \$50 billion state deficit, an undiminished flood of illegal aliens from the south, a rising number of homeless and impoverished, an overcrowded prison system, and a high number of drug and alcohol abusers, especially among the young.

Ann Richards spoke in her inaugural address of "the first day of the new Texas." She promised a Texas of equal opportunity and a state government responsive to its people's needs. But these optimistic assurances, like most of her campaign promises, are couched in rather abstract terms. She has yet to present to the citizenry a more concrete image of her intentions. And such vague promises, as successful as they are while campaigning, have no place in the governor's mansion. Texas simply cannot afford them.

Rhetoric and optimism aside, however, Richards' power to formulate and implement a comprehensive plan for reform is rather limited. Texas' 1876 constitution, under which we still operate, severely weakened the governor's position by specifying that all other members of the executive branch, from lieutenant governor to attorney general to

state comptroller, be elected separately.

Thus the governor, unlike the U.S. president, cannot ensure that those positions are filled with people of like political outlook, nor ensure their loyalty or cooperation. Without the power of appointment and dismissal, the governor is deprived of a valuable tool, and the executive branch, such as it is, is effectively fractured.

Richards is fortunate, at least, that the majority of her colleagues are fellow Democrats. Presumably, though not necessarily, they will follow her lead in most major issues, making her task somewhat easier. Nevertheless, she cannot, and we should not expect her to, exercise the same kind of policy-making power that George Bush has.

Rather, Richards should use her office as a forum from which to inspire, persuade, and cajole both the Legislature and the populace. At the very least she is guaranteed free media exposure, and that, combined with some innovative ideas, may be precisely what Texas needs in a governor. She must be energetic and visible and vocal about both the successes and the shortcomings of the Legislature. She must never allow the voters to be in doubt as to where she stands on an issue. If she is truly sincere about involving the voters to a greater extent in the governmental process, she simply cannot secret herself in the governor's mansion as Bill Clements did.

Richards' gift to turn a glib phrase was aptly demonstrated on the campaign trail, and her oratorical skills should serve her in good stead now. Responding once to those critical of a woman governor she said "A woman's place is in the dome." Within the coming months we will see whether this particular woman can translate campaign promise to legislative substance, general allusion to specific action, and whether her place is, indeed, in the dome.

Art Buchwald



Crime by any name still stinks

There is always someone questioning the status quo. This week it was my friend Alonzo Powdama, who believes that we make a mistake by referring to many criminal activities as white-collar crimes.

"I suppose you'd say Michael Milken committed a white-collar crime?" he asked me.

"He must have," I said. "He did it in his office overlooking Beverly Hills."

"But it was the crime of the century. People lost millions of dollars investing in his junk bonds. Many were widows and orphans," Alonzo said.

"They were greedy widows and orphans. They were always going for a higher interest rate, and then when they lost their money they cried crocodile tears."

"Why isn't stealing other people's money through an investment bank the same as holding them up on the street?" Alonzo wanted to know.

I replied, "The difference is in the quality of the criminal. Most stick-up men are sloppy and do not observe the dress code. They carry weapons and resort to violence. White-collar robbers are pillars of the community. They hold up their victims with calculators and computers. You can't put white-collar and blue-collar criminals on the same volleyball court."

"What about this one?" Alonzo asked. "The defense companies, including some of the largest aviation manufacturers, have been caught cheating the government on their contracts. Some did such shoddy work that it could cost the lives of the pilots flying the planes. Is that a white-collar crime or first-degree murder?"

I replied, "We would have to designate it as white-collar. When you judge crimes committed by multibillion-dollar executives you can't treat them as thugs. These people are involved in short-changing the government, unlike the street criminal, who has no idea of right or wrong."

Alonzo was agitated. "I'm for abolishing the use of the term white-collar crime because if you embezzle someone's pension, which they worked for all their lives, it's rape."

"That's ridiculous. The reason that the legal system uses white-collar crime as a designation is that it helps the judge know where to send the wrongdoers. You can't send a white-collar criminal to a low-class prison."

"Why not?" Alonzo asked. "Because you want the punishment to fit the crime. You have to distinguish between the sleazeballs who sell dope on the street and MBAs who launder their money in skyscrapers 40 stories above the ground. White-collar criminals are different from you and me, Alonzo, and must be shown respect."

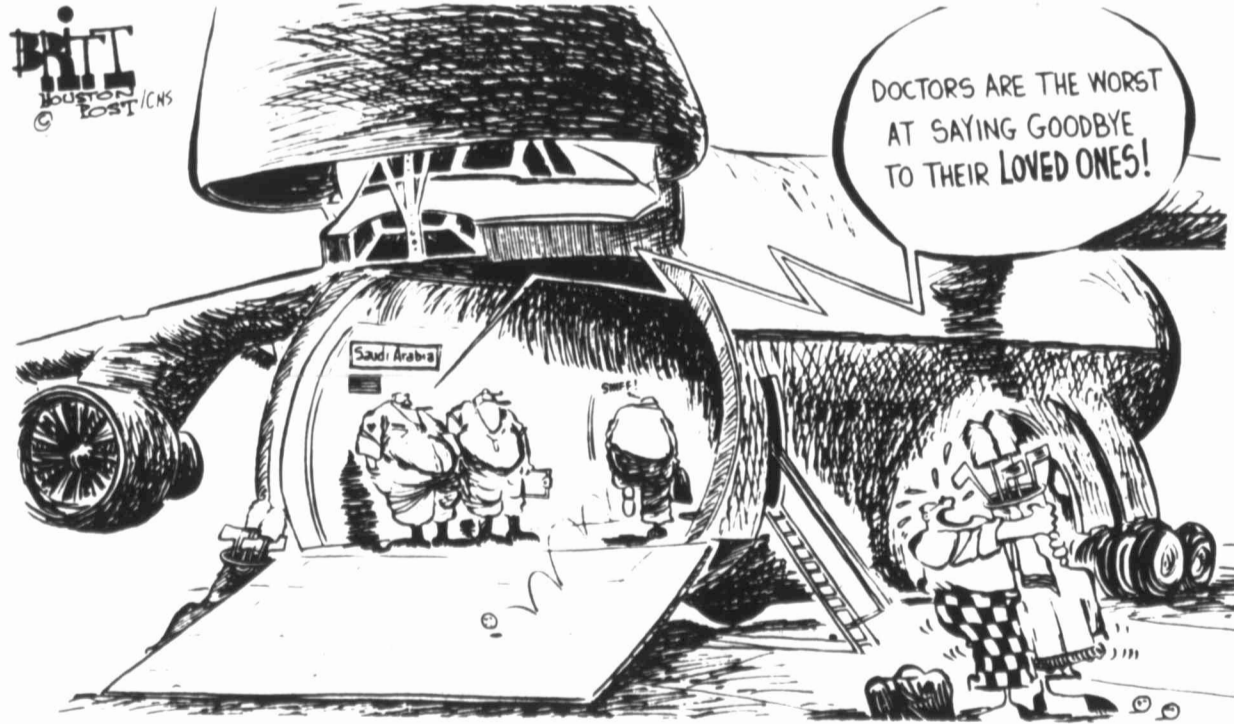
"What makes them different?" he wanted to know. "They have better lawyers. The worst thing you could do to prevent white-collar felonies is to single out business criminals for serious punishment. If you take their tennis courts away from them at Allenwood, they'll go back to crime as soon as they come out."

Alonzo was not convinced. "What I don't like is that white-collar criminals get to plea-bargain. We had a bank in Washington, D.C., where all the Spanish people put their savings. It turned out to be a phony bank and was not insured by the U.S. government. The people who started the bank stole the Spanish people blind. Why should that be termed a white-collar crime?"

"Because," I said, "except for taking people's life's savings, no one really got hurt."

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Graffiti makes a comeback on city's subways

NEW YORK (AP) — "We've come back, so you come back!" proclaim ads for the subway system. And, less than two years after it was pronounced dead, graffiti seems to be coming back, too.

"You're seeing a lot of 'Dick Loves Mary' kind of stuff, or a kid on the way home from school writing his 'tag' on a wall," Lt. John Romero of the transit police vandalism squad said this week.

Subway car graffiti "hits" doubled in 1990 to 46,000, according to Dick Goodlatte, the Transit Authority's chief mechanical officer. Transit police made 372 arrests for graffiti writing in the first 11 months last year, compared with 160 in 1989.

Last week, after a series of major hits forced several cars out of service at rush hour, the TA's anti-graffiti task force met for the first time in 18 months.

"Everyone agreed it's getting worse," Goodlatte said. "But no one was sure why."

If the TA has lost ground since May 12, 1989, when it ceremoniously retired the last graffiti-covered car, it still has come a long way from the days when hundreds of youths regularly spray-painted the system's 6,000 cars, usually while the cars were at train yards.

"Our major hits are not what

they used to be," Romero said. He estimated that only two dozen writers still attempt "major pieces."

When graffiti first appeared around 1970, some welcomed it as a vital new art form, and teen-age writers with tags such as TAKI 183 became folk heroes. There was an appreciative essay by Norman Mailer and a movie, "TURK 182."

The outsiders of cars were covered with colorful, flamboyant murals, some requiring dozens of cans of paint and hours of work. Inside, the cars were a jungle of scrawls and scribbles; passengers felt they were riding in a twisted cartoon.

Soon a negative reaction set in. A conspicuous reminder of the subway's decline and the Transit Authority's lack of control, graffiti became what one columnist called "the most famous emblem of the city's madness." Then-Mayor Ed Koch called it "bad karma."

In 1984 the TA began to clean cars as soon as graffiti appeared, even if it meant service delays. The theory: If riders saw less graffiti they'd feel better about the subway, and if the writers saw less of their work, they'd lose interest.

Over the next five years, annual subway graffiti arrests dropped from 2,612 to 160.

Entrepreneurs are flushed with success

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chris Tavlirides promises business clients that people will be standing in line to read their advertisements, and he's not kidding.

Tavlirides is president of Bathroom Billboards, a company that places advertising placards over the restroom urinals and toilets of restaurants, night clubs, bars and movie theaters.

There, he says, the ads are almost unavoidably read by any customer who heeds the call of nature.

"Regardless of whether you're interested or not, you'll read it because there's nothing else to do," says Tavlirides, a 22-year-old business graduate of George Washington University.

"Also, some people are uncomfortable sharing a public bathroom with others, and this gives them something to occupy their time," he said.

In his sales pitch to prospective clients, Tavlirides boasts "a captive audience for a prolonged period of time" and "close-up, high-impact placement" with "maximum exposure" for their ads.

A year after they opened their business in a residential garage in northwest Washington, Tavlirides and his partner, cousin John Polis, 23, are flushed with success, so to speak.

They've signed contracts to mount billboards in the restrooms of 105 businesses from

metropolitan Washington to the beach resort of Ocean City, Md., on behalf of four advertisers — a brewery, a rock-music radio station, a Washington newspaper and a local office supply company.

The framed ads, mounted behind shatter-proof plexiglass, are being installed in establishments ranging from Duke Zeibert's, an upscale restaurant favored by Washington power lunchers, to the Good Guys striptease bar.

Tavlirides charges clients an average of \$100 a month for placing eight ads in men's and women's restrooms in a restaurant, which gets a cut of the revenues.

He says the ads will be seen several times — over the urinals, in the toilet stalls, above the wash basins — by an average of 25,000 visitors a month.

Tavlirides said one university study concluded that the average person spends 1.5 minutes to 2 minutes lingering in the loo. That's plenty of time to peruse the wall graffiti, he reckoned, so why not substitute a few billboard ads?

People are much more likely to pay attention to a sales pitch at potty time than a TV commercial or a magazine ad, Tavlirides said.

"You gotta do what you gotta do," he said. "You can't switch channels, you can't turn the page."



WASHINGTON — Chris Tavlirides, left, and John Polis stand next to one of their "Bathroom Billboards" in a Washington bar. The two men have started a business that specializes in posting placards near sinks, urinals and toilets.

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Banner for the troops

Members of Webelos Den 6 Pack 176 and Pack 179 prepared a banner to send to the troops overseas. The members signed the banner at their meeting. Pictured are: back row, Jeffery Donica, left, Lonnie Gellner, Gene Leonard, Ben Moses, Slate

Broyles and Landon Wegner. Front row, Daniel White, left, Michael Kloss, Chris Keller, Justin LeFever, Eric Padilla, Chris Hernandez, Drew McKimney and Keith Woodruff. Not pictured are Kevin Ramsey, Andy Ortega and Nicky Lopez.

Big Spring girl pageant finalist

A Big Spring teenager may carry the West Texas banner to America's Miss National Teenager pageant.

Catherine Cisneroz, 16, daughter of Dolores Cisneroz, will represent Big Spring in the first round of the pageant in Plainview May 31-June 1-2.

The Big Spring High School sophomore hopes to make it to the national contest in Hawaii next August.

Her immediate goal is to raise money for expenses of the pageant by obtaining sponsors. She has already signed the Sonic Drive-In, Don's IGA, the Big Spring Herald and Faye's Flowers.

"I need at least three more sponsors," Catherine said. Any business or individual may become a sponsor with a donation of \$25 or more. The seven major sponsors will be listed in the pageant programs and literature. Catherine's deadline for obtaining sponsors totaling \$350 is January 31.

America's Miss National Teenager, a pageant now entering its 20th year, is designed to provide scholarship assistance to teens, based on personal character, community service, scholastic achievement, poise, personality and appearance.

In Texas, Mary Hardin Baylor



CATHERINE CISNEROZ

and San Antonio College award over \$13,000 annually in full tuition scholarships. The Senior West Texas Teen-Ager will receive a tuition scholarship to Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

In addition to prizes for the winner and four runners-up, and 15 top finalists, there are separate awards for Miss Congeniaty, Best Volunteer, Community Service, Miss Hospitality, Citizenship Award, Miss Photogenic, and Talent Award Winners.

Active in BSHS student life, Catherine is a student council

representative and a member of the school's golf team. She is a member of the new youth association, DFYIT (Drug Free youth in Texas.) Her grade point average remains between 3.5 and 4.0.

Catherine's long term goal is to become a doctor of pediatrics. The pageant is very important to her, she says, "because it is offering good scholarships which could help me reach my goal." Modeling scholarships are also available.

Meanwhile, entering the pageant "is a dream come true," says Catherine. "I always dreamed about it, when I watched the Miss America pageant on TV."

Catherine must shop for three outfits for the pageant — an evening gown, a dance routine outfit, and a dress for the judges' interview.

"I'm going to look for a red or pink evening dress," the brunette contestant said.

The young woman's talent will be a humorous magician's act. She'll receive coaching in the routine from her mother's best friend Sherri Feaster, Glen Rose.

She says she has been interested in modeling since she was in the 6th grade. Catherine recently sent a portfolio to a Dallas agency, which is helping open the door for catalogue modeling.

By CLARA JUSTICE

Quick thinking teacher

Friday, January 11, began as a typical pre-stock show day in Munday, Texas. Rick Moeller, Ag instructor at Munday High School, son-in-law of Tommy and Mollie Wyrick of Coahoma, was in the Ag building with his students where the animals were being groomed for Saturday's Knox County Stock Show. Unexpectedly, Kent Latham's nameless, just bathed lamb slipped from the shearing table with his neck still in the headrest. The lamb stopped breathing and Rick immediately began mouth to nose resuscitation. After five minutes, the lamb was revived. The lamb, now known as Casper, won first place at the stock show. According to Mollie, Rick said he would not have known what to do had he not recently seen the 911 television show and watched a policeman perform mouth to nose resuscitation on a dog. When I talked to Rick on the phone he told me both he and Casper were doing great. I asked him how he felt about what he'd done. Rick said it was just a spur of the moment thing, he saw what needed to be done and he did it. I like to think God saw too, and he smiled.

Attend family reunion

Olin and Jeannine Bearden were in Snyder recently to attend the

Coahoma

By CLARA JUSTICE
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24th annual Bearden family reunion. The reunion was at the show barn at Towle Park. Family members came from Goldthwaite, Brownwood, Lubbock, Comanche, Plainview, Coahoma and Big Spring to enjoy a day of visiting, reminiscing, and good food. According to Olin, the children enjoyed feeding the ducks and playing games.

Student of the week

Elementary Student of the Week is Brad Fryrear. Brad is in Mrs. Prince's first grade and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Fryrear.

Twelve attend meeting

The Mary Jane Club met last Thursday in the home of Eula Bell Fowler Lee Miliken was co-hostess. The theme for the day was "Walking Tall" and twelve members answered roll call with "I'd walk a mile for..." Laurie Churchwell of The Dance Gallery and Fitness Center in Big Spring

presented a program on walking for fitness. Among the many things Laurie emphasized about walking for fitness was the rewards of aerobic walking.

Correct aerobic walking, when wearing the proper attire, aids in lowering cholesterol and blood pressure, helps burn excess calories, and enables a person to sleep better. It is an enjoyable type of exercise, one in which almost everyone can participate.

In a short business meeting, president Patricia Barr, and the members made plans for the group to go to Midland for dinner and to attend the Midland Community Theater presentation on Friday evening, February 22.

Trash pickup policy

Coahoma now has a new trash pickup policy. If you have not received your dumpster, contact Ginger Metcalf at City Hall. She will provide you with a number to call, in the meantime, the new company is supposed to empty barrels every Tuesday.

Gun safety should be taught

DEAR ABBY: In this morning's paper, I read another tragic story about a 10-year-old boy who discovered a gun hidden in his house. While examining it, he accidentally shot himself in the neck, severing his spine, and now he's permanently paralyzed from the waist down.

Recently, my husband and I decided to buy a gun for our own protection, but first we accompanied a friend who is skilled with guns to a shooting range, so we could learn how to handle a gun. Our attitude about guns quickly changed from total ignorance to great respect for the immense power of destruction a gun holds.

A suggestion to all parents: Children need to learn respect for guns. Just because you don't own a gun doesn't mean that your child will never encounter one. First, buy proper ear protection (a must!), then take someone who has had experience with firearms and go to a safe shooting range (some are better supervised and therefore safer than others) and instruct your child on the proper way to hold and shoot a gun.

We decided the potential dangers of keeping a gun in our home far outweighed the benefits, so we will not be purchasing a gun. We have no children yet, but when we do, they will learn very early how powerful and dangerous guns are whether we

Dear Abby



own one or not. — KIRSTEN IN HOUSTON

DEAR KIRSTEN: How wise you are. Children see guns in action on TV, in the movies and in their comic books, so they need to learn that guns are not toys; they are dangerous weapons that have the power to maim and kill people.

Anyone who is interested in learning — or teaching — gun safety to children should call his local police department and inquire about classes that teach gun safety to children and adults.

Be assured, dear readers, I am not promoting the sale or use of guns; I am promoting SAFETY in a country where 250 children accidentally killed themselves, a sibling or a playmate last year.

DEAR ABBY: Here's another "I saw Lindbergh land in Paris" story: In 1927, we were three young women (sisters) living in Paris with our mother. We were at a cocktail party when our friend, Al Laney, who was the sports editor at the Paris Herald Tribune, telephoned to say: "Get

out to Le Bourget; some crazy American has just flown solo across the Atlantic!"

Luckily, Mother had a car and driver, so we were able to get there in time to see Lindbergh land!

MARGARET BELL SPRAGUE, ANDREA BELL AUTENREITH, RUTH BELL OSGOOD

DEAR ABBY: I was frustrated by the letter from the retired schoolteacher who advocated the publishing of names of parents of juvenile lawbreakers, and I was angered by your apparent agreement.

A few years ago, when my son took up smoking at the age of 16, I repeatedly warned him that he could not afford the habit and would sooner or later be tempted to steal a pack of cigarettes.

Well, on his 17th birthday, he was caught shoplifting. He went to court, did 12 hours of community service and made restitution. Since then, he has never been in any kind of trouble.

So what would be gained by labeling a 16-year-old kid a thief, or putting our names in the paper as irresponsible parents?

Please, Abby, don't be so glib in your responses. The law protecting the identity of juvenile lawbreakers is a good one and should remain on the books. — MINNESOTA MOM

For the record

In last week's Coahoma report the parents of the Sheena Harding were incorrectly listed. She is the daughter of Gaylan Harding and Kathy Hahn.

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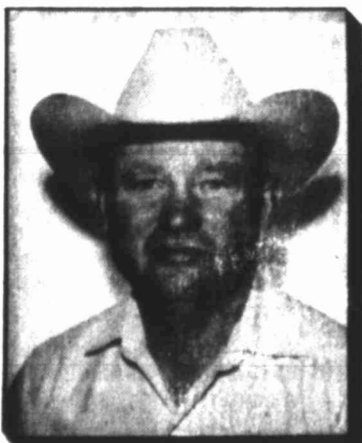
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TV news anchor to speak at TTU

The University Center Cultural Events at Texas Tech presents a lecture by ABC News Senior Correspondent and Anchor of ABC "World News Saturday," Wednesday, January 24, 1991 at 8:15 p.m. at the Texas Tech University Center Allen Theatre. TTU students are free, others pay \$8.00 each. Tickets available at the UC Ticket Booth and Sears at the South Plains Mall. Student tickets are not available at Sears. Tickets purchased at Sears will have an additional 50 cents service charge. Call 742-3610 for tickets and information.

A broadcast journalist for over 20 years, Carole Simpson was named anchor of ABC "World News Saturday" in June 1988. She is also a frequent substitute anchor on "World News Tonight with Peter Jennings."

Ms. Simpson's reports are regularly featured on the "American Agenda" on "World News Tonight with Peter Jennings." Her recent contributions to "American Agenda" include stories on children under stress, battered women, teen pregnancy and a 1988 Emmy-nominated report on kids with AIDS.

Strait to open livestock show

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has announced George Strait will perform at the 1991 Show Sunday, Feb. 17, 4 p.m. and Monday, Feb. 18, 7:45 p.m. The week continues with 7:45 performances nightly: Alabama, Tuesday, Feb. 19; K.T. Oslin and Travis Tritt, Wednesday, Feb. 20; Garth Brooks, Thursday, Feb. 21; and The Judds, Friday, Feb. 22. The weekend is filled with variety: Kathy Mattea and Vince Gill, Saturday, Feb. 23, 11 a.m.; Charley Pride, Saturday, Feb. 23, 7:45 p.m.; Mazz and Little Joe y La Familia, Sunday, Feb. 24, 1 p.m.; and Bill Cosby, Sunday, Feb. 24, 7:45 p.m.

Clint Black opens a second star-studded week at 7:45 p.m. Monday, Feb. 25. Tuesday night, Feb. 26, at 7:45 p.m., legendary performer Roger Miller hosts a phenomenal group of country's fastest rising new stars, featuring Carlene Carter, Mark Chesnut, Shenandoah, Marty Stuart and Doug Stone. The fast-paced week continues with performances at 7:45 each night: Steve Wariner and Lorrie Morgan, Wednesday, Feb. 27; Frankie Beverly and Maze, and the Isley Brothers with Angela Winbush, Thursday, Feb. 28; and Ricky Van Shelton, Friday, March 1. The final weekend brings another great mixture to the Astrodome: Stevie Nicks and C&C Music Factory, Saturday, March 2, 11 a.m.; the Oak Ridge Boys and Larry Gatlin and the Gatlin Brothers, Saturday, March 2, 7:45 p.m.; and Reba McEntire, Sunday, March 3, 4 p.m.

Ticket prices remain at \$5, \$10 and \$12, depending on seat location. Tickets are available at all Rainbow Ticketmaster and Ticketron locations, including the Astrodome box office.

Pianist to perform at Cliburn Concert

Pianist Minoru Nojima, Silver Medalist of the Third Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, will perform in a Cliburn Concert at Fort Worth's Kimbell Art Museum on Tuesday, January 22 at 8 p.m. Mr. Nojima served on the Screening Jury of the 1989 Cliburn Competition as well as the juries of the 1985 and 1981 Competitions. He was the first winner in the Competition's history invited to serve.

Claimed as a "master poet" by the *Los Angeles Times*, Mr. Nojima first came to attention in America by winning the Silver Medal in 1969. He made his Carnegie Hall debut in 1970 and has since appeared there in recital and with the American Symphony under Kazuyoshi Akiyama and Gerard Schwarz. He has also appeared in New York at the Metropolitan Museum of Art with the Tokyo String Quartet, at Alice Tully Hall, and at the 92nd Street Y (the complete Debussy Preludes). He appears annually in Los Angeles, alternating recitals between U.C.L.A., the South Bay Performing Arts Center, Ambassador, the Coleman Chamber Music Society, and the Da Camera Society.

Collins scores four Grammy nominations

NEW YORK (AP) — Phil Collins grabbed four major nominations, while Janet Jackson scored as a rock and an R&B singer when nominations for the 33rd Annual Grammy Awards were announced last week.

Collins, the former Genesis drummer turned frontman, was nominated for best male pop vocal, song of the year, record of the year and album of the year for his multi-platinum "But Seriously..." collection.

Jackson copped two nominations: best female rock vocalist for "Black Cat" and best female rhythm and blues vocalist for "Alright."

Joining Jackson as nominees in the rock vocalist category were Melissa Etheridge, Alannah Myles, Stevie Nicks and Tina Turner. Joining her in the R&B category were Anita Baker, Pebbles, Patti LaBelle and Regina Belle.

Nominees for the best new artist — the award recently stripped from lip-synchers Milli Vanilli — were the Black Crowes, Mariah Carey, the Kentucky Headhunters, Lisa Stansfield and Wilson Phillips.

Newcomers Carey and Wilson Phillips also picked up nominations for song of the year, a songwriters' award. Prince was also nominated in this category for "Nothing Compares 2 U," the hit he penned for Sinead O'Connor.

Wilson Phillips, comprised of the daughters of Beach Boy Brian Wilson and the daughter of John and Michelle Phillips, was also nominated for album of the year along with Carey.

Other nominees for album of the year included Collins, Quincy Jones for "Back on the Block," and



BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — James Ingram, Michael Greene, president of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences, Natalie Cole and Graham Nash, left to right, pose after announcing nominations for the 33rd Annual Gram-

my Awards in Beverly Hills Thursday. Ingram was nominated for best pop vocal performance by a male for "I Don't Have the Heart." Awards will be presented Feb. 20.

M.C. Hammer for "Please Hammer, Don't Hurt 'Em."

Record of the year nominees included Collins, Carey, Hammer, Bette Midler for "From a Distance" and O'Connor for "Nothing Compares 2 U."

Veteran rockers Eric Clapton and Neil Young joined chart-toppers Jon Bon Jovi and Billy Idol as nominees in the best male rock vocalist category. Joe Cocker was also nominated in the same category.

Earlier, rockers Bob Dylan and John Lennon joined classical

vocalist Marian Anderson and country star Kitty Wells today as Grammy winners for their extraordinary music careers.

The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences also announced three winners of its prestigious Trustees Award: Sun Records founder Sam Phillips, Motown impresario Berry Gordy and jazz-rock producer Milt Gabler.

Voters considered a record-breaking 8,000 entries this year before selecting the nominees for the Grammys.

Nominees were chosen by more than 6,000 members of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences. Ballots were returned last month. The awards will be presented at Radio City Music Hall on Feb. 20.

Last year's Grammys celebrated veteran rockers. Bonnie Raitt collected four awards, including album of the year and female rock vocalist, while ex-Eagle Don Henley won male rock vocalist for his "End of the Innocence" and the Traveling Wilburys won for group rock vocal.

'Three men and a little lady'

(AP) What is it with these guys? One is an architect, another a successful cartoonist, the other an actor in laxative commercials. They're unmarried and have shared the same spacious Manhattan apartment for six years or more.

They cohabit as a plot device for the spectacularly successful 1987 comedy, "Three Men and a Baby."

With Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg and Ted Danson as the Three Men, you can forgive the artifice. All three have affable, winning personalities — not a hint of darkness in any of them. And it's refreshing to see a buddy movie without blazing Uzis and crashing cars.

"Three Men and a Little Lady" carries the story five years forward. The unlikely musketeers share their quarters with the unmarried English actress Sylvia (Nancy Travis) and her daughter by Danson, Mary (Robin Weisman). Their cozy lifestyle is threatened when Sylvia is invited to London by her director (Christopher Cazenove). The offer includes marriage as well as a starring role.

"Three Men and a Little Lady" succeeds on its own terms, namely, strict adherence to the formula. It has moments of pure hilarity, especially the phony wedding presided over by a disguised Danson.

The rating is PG for language and adult situations. Running time: 100 minutes.

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Congress voicing support of Bush action

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Congress that gave President Bush authority to wage war in the Persian Gulf immediately lined up behind his decision to exercise that power, as lawmakers voiced hopes for a quick, decisive victory.

"Now it is time for all of us to stand together in support for the U.S. and in support of our soldiers in the gulf," said Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East. Hamilton had opposed congressional authorization for Bush to wage war.

"I believe that we will prevail in a matter of days or weeks," said Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, who cited the "overwhelming" U.S. advantage in weaponry. "Saddam Hussein has made a

tragic miscalculation," he said of the Iraqi president.

Like most other lawmakers who had argued strongly against immediate war authority for Bush just four days earlier, Nunn expressed confidence Wednesday night in the U.S. forces and said they "will be given all the resources to do the job."

House Speaker Thomas S. Foley, D-Wash., added: "I think all of us are deeply concerned that this war now be as short as possible; that as the president indicated it be with a minimum loss of life and decisive in its result."

The Senate today was expected to consider a resolution of support for U.S. forces in the gulf. Republican Whip Alan Simpson of Wyoming said senators had been called back to Washington for that purpose and to receive briefings on



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progress in the war.

Minutes before news of the attack broke, Foley received a certification from Bush that efforts to secure Iraqi compliance with the U.N. resolutions demanding a pullout from Kuwait had been unsuccessful.

"Diplomatic and economic pressures have not diminished Iraq's intransigence despite 5½ months of unparalleled international effort," the president wrote.

He said continued reliance on the diplomatic and economic pressures alone "could risk achieving the basic objective of bringing about Iraq's complete and unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait."

Sen. John Warner of Virginia, the senior Republican on the Armed Services Committee, said Bush was giving military commanders "a maximum degree of discretion as to how to deploy the forces," an important element in his promise

that the conflict would not be another prolonged Vietnam-style war.

In accord with the congressional resolution approved Saturday, the president notified House and Senate leaders beginning 1½ hours before the attack was made public, certifying to them that all diplomatic avenues to resolve the standoff had been exhausted.

"I am totally satisfied the president has made every effort to exhaust all alternatives before taking this action," said Sen. Frank Murkowski of Alaska, senior Republican on the Intelligence Committee. He added he was "terribly impressed" by early reports of allied surgical air strikes.

Lawmakers generally agreed that it was time to stand behind the use of force.

"We are in battle, and the trumpet must be sounded with full

certainty," said Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., a sponsor of the resolution authorizing war. "We are joined in a conflict from which there can be no turning back."

Lieberman, citing initial reports of successful bombing sorties, added: "The world probably is already a safer place than it would have been."

A rare dissent was voiced by Rep. Ronald Dellums, D-Calif., a senior member of the House Armed Services Committee, who called the attack "an inestimable tragedy, one for which it will take us a lifetime to atone."

"I can only hope that those who have prosecuted this war will quickly come to their senses, institute a cease-fire at the very earliest possibility, and seek to resolve these issues at the bargaining table," Dellums said.

Reactions mixed as news spreads of allied assault

(AP) — Many fell silent at first, absorbing the fact of war.

Then the noise began, the murmur of prayer and protest growing louder; more and more people joining hands, some in solidarity and others in anger.

"What's happened to our gentler, kinder world?" Shirley ... asked through tears. Her 31-year old son, Scott Anderson, is the father of one son, an Army sergeant in Saudi Arabia, and three daughters.

When U.S. forces attacked Baghdad Wednesday night, the Andersons were among millions touched by war. Although many had girded themselves, no one could fully prepare.

"I was so hoping it would go the other way," said Twyla Beseda of Whiteface, Texas, whose son is with the Air Force in Saudi Arabia.

"David is stationed at the air base where the stealth bombers are located. He loads bombs onto those planes. I just pray to God that he is going to be OK," she said, tears spilling down her cheeks.

"It's too much for people to absorb," said Jaime McBrady, who showed up at a Milwaukee storefront to offer counsel through the Military Families Support Network. "People shouldn't be alone. They need to talk."

Some did talk. Others shouted, raising their voices in protest of a war they say should not be waged. All held hope that casualties would be few.

"We need to pray for the soldiers in armed forces of all nations, for our president and for the president of Iraq, that God may guide them," the Rev. Charlie F. McNutt told about 200 people at St.

Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral in Harrisburg, Pa.

People around the nation sat rapt at their television sets. The networks, which reported the attack on Baghdad shortly before 6 p.m. in Texas, immediately jumped to round-the-clock coverage. Newspapers ran banner headlines in special editions.

A hot line at Children's Hospital in San Diego for youngsters who are home alone received many calls.

"Children were calling in scared, concerned and confused," said hospital spokeswoman Sharon Ross. "We have brought in our child psychologists to help on this."

Airports stepped up security to preempt the possibility of a domestic terrorist attack. And Iraqi-Americans, some of whom already have been questioned by the FBI, worried about an angry backlash.

"We can't help thinking about what happened to Japanese," said Issa Batarseh, a Chicago college professor.

The most fearful, however, were the families of servicemen and women. For them, dusk passed into a sleepless night.

"I'm scared to death," said Sandra Hippen of Sioux Falls, S.D., whose 20-year-old son is with the 82nd Airborne in Saudi Arabia. "I tried to prepare ... but I just want all our children home. I want my son home."

At least, some said, the waiting had ended.

"It's about time!" shouted boosters hoisting toasts at the Pierce Street Annex tavern in San Francisco.

"I was in the last war and I think we're doing the right thing," said



BOSTON — Boston University freshman Christopher Cooley raises his fists before a U.S. flag late Wednesday in support of the news that U.S. forces had begun military actions against Iraq.

patron John Sugrue of Seattle, who served in Vietnam in 1970-71.

A few blocks away at the Tar And Feathers bar, the mood was less jubilant. "I admit I'm scared ... I think we all should be spared," said Bill Coradine, 27.

"But we had no choice and we're doing the right thing."

His was not an opinion shared by thousands of protesters who flooded Powell and Market streets in downtown San Francisco, a few smashing windows and setting cars ablaze. Similar protests — mostly peaceful — took place in cities big and small.

Leaders of San Francisco area protests have urged a boycott of jobs and classes today to show opposition to the U.S. bombing of Iraq and Kuwait.

In Austin, demonstrators burned a stuffed figure labeled "Rambo Bush" in effigy on the steps of the Capitol. In Portland, Ore., protesters sang "Give Peace a Chance" at a candlelit park. In Boston, students marched against traffic from Harvard Square toward the city center.

Anti-war activists donned gas masks and gathered around the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia and burned flags in New York. In the nation's capital, across Pennsylvania Avenue from the White House, they raised placards shouting "Don't Bag Our Boys" against the midnight sky.

"This war and all war is wrong and immoral and I call on all peace-loving people everywhere to accelerate their efforts to stop it," Coretta Scott King, widow of the slain civil rights leader, said in Atlanta.

In Minnesota, newly inaugurated Gov. Arne Carlson canceled his state of the state speech. Edward Burdick, chief clerk of the state House, said it

was the first time in at least 50 years that had happened.

As the Celtics prepared to face off the Golden State Warriors, public address announcer Andy Jick asked the Boston Garden crowd to reflect on the soldiers in the Persian Gulf. Fans responded with a 15-second ovation.

A college hockey game in Hamilton, N.Y., was canceled, but fans shared a moment of silence before filing quietly from the arena.

A similar quiet descended in many homes, but the silences perhaps fell heaviest at the nation's military bases, where U.S. troops trained for service glimpsed the road ahead.

Sgt. Bill Murphy rushed down to the barracks at Fort McCoy, Wis., to find his fellow National Guardsmen huddled around a TV set. "There was a 'yeah, go get them,'" he said.

Members of the Delta Chi fraternity at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater ferried war information Wednesday night to two members who were outside continuing the fraternity's three-month treehouse sit-in in support of U.S. troops.

In New York, demonstrators rallied outside the United Nations and marched to Times Square. Some clashed with police, leading to several arrests.

"I came out to join this because it is so sad," said Salah Saidi, 30, of Yemen, a store clerk. "Not only for me and my family but for all of us."

Early today, a car slammed into a group of New York protesters on the Brooklyn Bridge, injuring seven people, two critically, said police spokeswoman Sgt. Tina Mohrmann. Witnesses said one person fell over the side of the bridge and landed in a construction site.

The car's driver was arrested and charged with drunken driving, Mohrmann said.

In Portland, Maine, protesters outside the federal building today chanted their opposition to the war.

"Peace, not violence," San Francisco protesters shouted at a few rowdy demonstrators in their midst who set a highway patrol car ablaze, causing it to explode.

Gulf bombing bolsters market; oil collapses

NEW YORK (AP) — Stock prices rocketed higher today in a euphoric reaction to the successful first stages of the U.S.-led military operation in the Persian Gulf. Oil prices collapsed.

On the New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Jones industrial average surged 75 points to the 2,585 level in the first half hour. Volume was extremely heavy and a rule prohibiting some computerized trading kicked in.

Oil prices tumbled the maximum \$7.50 to \$24.50 per barrel at the opening on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the limit before a mandatory one-hour trading halt would be imposed.

The price of the government's 30-year bond soared 2½ points, or \$25 per \$1,000 in face amount. Interest rates tumbled to 8.18 percent.

The NYSE opened with a minute of silence today in tribute to the military operation in the Persian Gulf before starting trading at 9:31 a.m.

"Our first thoughts today are with the troops taking part in Operation Desert Storm, their families and our leadership," NYSE Chairman William Donaldson said in a statement. Traders applauded on the exchange's vast floor.

Other U.S. financial markets began trading on schedule. World markets earlier reacted with euphoria to the apparent first success of air strikes by U.S.-led forces against Iraq.

Around the world, oil prices, the dollar and gold plunged on world markets today and stock prices soared as traders responded to the apparent initial success of the U.S.-led air strike against Iraq.

Crude oil prices skidded as traders believed the threat of disruption of oil supplies from the



MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Jay Fritz, 19, left, and Bob Hutchinson, 20, both of New Berlin, Wis., interrupt their shopping in downtown Milwaukee to listen to President Bush's address to the nation Wednesday night.

Middle East had eased.

In London, the March price for North Sea Brent Blend crude, an important grade of crude traded in Europe, fell \$7.67 to \$21.30 a barrel by midday. Crude prices had risen to \$40 a barrel on New York cash markets after the close of trading Wednesday in anticipation of the fighting.

The dollar and gold also fell as they lost their luster as safe haven investments.

After the U.S.-led strike began, the dollar climbed against the Japanese yen but then tumbled to 134 yen in late Tokyo trading, compared with 136.83 yen in New York late Wednesday. The dollar also was lower against the German mark, British pound and other major currencies today.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush Wednesday night ordered oil from the nation's strategic stockpile offered for sale in oil markets during the next 30 days.

The president instructed the Energy Department to put 1.12 million barrels a day on the market, or 33 million barrels during the sale period.

Bush said in a statement that he was taking the action in concert with U.S. allies "to promote stability in world markets" in light of the war in the Middle East.

In private cash trading after the announcement of war against Iraq, crude oil sold for \$40 a barrel in the United States, then settled back to about \$35 dollars. Typical prices last week for U.S. crudes were about \$28 a barrel.

The U.S. share represents nearly half of the total 2.5 million barrels a day the International Energy Agency agreed at a Jan. 11 meeting to make available to member countries in the event war roiled the markets.

"The president's action was a precautionary measure, taken in concert with our IEA partners," the statement said.

Increased production from Saudi Arabia and other countries since the Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait by Iraq has more than made up for the 4.3 million barrels a day of crude oil that had been supplied to world markets by Kuwait and Iraq. Oil shipments from the two countries were halted by an international embargo against all trade with Iraq.

The world uses about 65 million barrels a day; the United States about 17 million barrels.

Although there is plenty of oil around, analysts feared that the outbreak of war would drive consumers of all kinds to stock up in

White House statement

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fear their supply might be interrupted. That reaction would push up prices immediately, which is apparently what happened.

An administration official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said Energy Secretary James D. Watkins would make the supplies available beginning this morning.

Most likely, the government will offer for sale the entire first month's allotment, 33 million barrels, at once, the official said.

The authorization for pumping can be renewed after the 30-day period if the war isn't over, the official said.

Bush ordered a test run of selling oil from the reserves, located in salt caverns in Louisiana and Texas, last fall. The sale of 5 million barrels in October was said to have gone well.

Reacting against the oil panics of the 1970s, the government has been accumulating crude in a Strategic Petroleum Reserve at a cost that now has climbed above \$20 billion.

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Protesters decry war, U.S. attack

Bombs raining on Baghdad drew out thousands of protesters, and demonstrations continued today as Americans made public their support for or anger at the war. Some burned the flag, some clung to candles in prayer.

In Boston this morning, police scuffled with some of about 400 protesters who tried to block the entrance to the John F. Kennedy building. An estimated 80 helmeted police carrying nightsticks surrounded the building, allowing only federal employees inside.

"An opposition to war that existed before the war begins must double after the war has begun," said Boston University professor and peace activist Howard Zinn.

Two of the largest and most unruly demonstrations since the U.S. bombing of Iraq Wednesday night came in San Francisco and New York, where crowds estimated at about 5,000 each lighted bonfires, marched, chanted and carried protest signs declaring "War Gives Us Gas Pains."

Demonstrators near the White House pushed against a line of mounted U.S. Park Police, who clubbed at least two protesters. That prompted a few protesters to throw rocks and bottles at the police. "No one was treated for injuries. 14 people were arrested."

About 700 people at Ohio State University showed their support for the attack, shouting "Mess with the best; die like the rest" and "Liberate Kuwait."

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Iraqis report 14 kills; vow to crush intrusion

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq claimed it shot down 14 attacking warplanes today and said the U.S.-led air strikes struck densely populated areas of the capital. The government drafted more Iraqis ranging up to 37 years old.

Saddam Hussein called President Bush a criminal and vowed to crush "the satanic intentions of the White House."

"The great showdown has begun! The mother of all battles is under way," Saddam said in a radio message monitored in Nicosia, Cyprus.

Baghdad radio reported later that Saddam inspected several military bases today, then toured the capital.

An acrid smell filled the air, but Western journalists in the city of 4 million saw no sign of major damage downtown.

Radio Baghdad said three warplanes were downed by an elite Republican Guard unit in Baghdad. It said nine other planes were downed by an Iraqi naval

force. It did not say whether it was off the Iraqi coast or occupied Kuwait.

Without further elaboration, the radio also said some of the planes were downed by Iraqi combat aircraft. It did not identify the planes by type or nation.

The broadcast monitored in Nicosia appealed to soldiers not to kill the surviving pilots because the Geneva conventions and Islamic law forbid it.

In Washington, officials said the Iraqi claims of plane downings were an exaggeration. Sen. Sam Nunn, a Georgia Democrat who chairs the Senate Armed Services Committee, said Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told him one U.S. plane had been shot down in the initial attacks. The Pentagon confirmed the report.

The Ministry of Defense in London did not immediately comment on the report.

A British news agency reported that a British Tornado fighter-bomber was lost during the second

wave. The Press Association said there was no word on the status of the Tornado's two-man crew.

The Defense Ministry and post office headquarters buildings took direct hits, said Bob Simpson, a British Broadcasting Corp. correspondent in Baghdad. The extent of casualties was not reported.

CNN said a resolute-looking Saddam had been seen at the TV station about 9 a.m. (1 a.m. EST).

In his radio address to "the glorious sons of our nation," the Iraqi president said the battle was one of "justice against vice, of the believers against the infidels."

"The hypocritical criminal Bush has committed a murderous crime together with the traitor of the holy shrines," Saddam said, referring to King Fahd of Saudi Arabia.

"Palestine will be liberated and so will the Golan (Heights) and Lebanon. Every human being on Arab land will be free," said Saddam. "The evil and satanic intentions of the White House will be crushed."



Message to Saddam

SAUDI ARABIA — An F-16 fighter, assigned to the 138th Tactical Fighter Squadron in Saudi Arabia carries a 6,000-pound bomb with a chalk-

ed message for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Planes at the base reportedly participated in the Thursday morning bombing of Iraq.

Kuwaitis celebrate in streets; PLO denounces attack

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Kuwaiti exiles in the Middle East rejoiced in the streets today after the United States and its allies attacked Iraq, but the PLO urged Arabs to protest "a black day in history."

Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani called the assault a "historical catastrophe" that was killing innocent Muslims.

Jordan closed its international airport and airspace indefinitely. In the capital, Amman, several foreign journalists were assaulted,

and people cheered when radios reported an Iraqi claim that 14 allied planes had been shot down.

Like the Palestine Liberation Organization, Rafsanjani asserted bitterly that Israel was in a position to benefit from the conflict. The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a hard-line Palestinian faction, urged Arabs to join the war on Iraq's behalf.

Libya's leader, Col. Muammar Gadhafi, urged the United Nations to limit military operations to liberating Kuwait and to halt air

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raids on Iraq. President Zine El-Abidine Ben Ali of Tunisia asked the U.N. Security Council to stop the war.

At least 3,000 students marched in Khartoum, Sudan to pledge their support for Saddam Hussein, witnesses said. Hundreds of

students at the American University of Beirut staged a sit-in to denounce the bombing raids.

Major participants in the U.S.-dominated multinational force, welcomed the attack, giving it blow-by-blow coverage on state

radio and television. "Victory is but from God," said the Saudi government.

Cairo Radio interrupted an early-morning comedy program to tell Egyptians of the war, and Cairo Television, which normally shuts down about 1 a.m., stayed on through the night.

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There were no immediate reports of anti-American

demonstrations in the Middle East, but in Bangladesh about 5,000 Muslim protesters waving portraits of Saddam converged in Dhaka to denounce the bombing raids.

On hearing of the attack, Kuwaiti exiles in Cairo and Bahrain took to the streets in exuberant early-morning celebrations.

Automobile horns blared and Kuwaitis shouted with joy as an impromptu caravan of cars and taxis moved through a normally quiet Cairo residential district.

Coalition partners join fight

LONDON (AP) — Waves of British Tornado fighter-bombers, French Jaguars and Saudi and Kuwaiti warplanes joined the U.S. air attack on Iraq that began the Persian Gulf war today.

France, once reluctant to integrate itself in the multinational force, today placed its forces under U.S. command. The Netherlands did the same, and the Italian Parliament approved such an arrangement for Italy's contingent.

NATO announced in Brussels, Belgium today that it was ordering eight ships in its quick-reaction force to resume surveillance in the Mediterranean Sea.

President Bush said forces from 28 nations, including Arab League members, were "standing shoulder-to-shoulder" to drive Iraqi troops out of Kuwait and destroy Iraq's nuclear potential and chemical warfare facilities.

In Moscow, a Soviet Foreign Ministry official said President Mikhail S. Gorbachev had urged Saddam to pull his troops from Kuwait after being told of the United States attack an hour before it occurred.

Tornado ground attack aircraft were scrambled toward Iraq from a major Royal Air Force base in eastern Saudi Arabia for the first attack.

The first wave included 150 Saudi aircraft, said Fred Dutton, a spokesman for the Saudi Embassy in Washington. Cheney said Kuwaiti jets also took part.

British military sources said the targets of the British warplanes were airfields, missile sites, command and communications centers and radar installations.

"I hope now it is clear to Iraq that the scale of the allied operation is such that they cannot win," Prime Minister John Major said in London after meeting with his newly formed three-member war Cabinet.

Britain has 35,000 soldiers in the international force confronting Iraq in the gulf.

Italy's Senate today cleared the way for Italy's small air and naval contingent in the gulf to join attacks against Iraq, and the measure later passed the Chamber of Deputies.

"After the vote of Parliament, we will participate in the military actions," Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said.

Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said Canada's 24 jet fighters in the gulf region have been authorized to take part in sweeps over Kuwait and Iraq if necessary.

The Dutch government early today placed its three navy warships in the gulf under U.S. command, Dutch television said. A five-member war Cabinet met and supported President Bush's action.



Refinery burns
KHAFJI, Saudi Arabia — Flames shoot from a Saudi oil refinery on the border of Kuwait and

Saudi Arabia early Thursday morning. The fire was a result of a late-night artillery attack by Iraqi forces.

Soviet forces closest to battle zone put on high alert

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet military chief said today that Iraq was paying a heavy price for Saddam Hussein's "reckless actions" and put the armed forces on high alert in regions closest to the Persian Gulf. Tass reported.

The official Soviet news agency quoted the chief of staff, Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, as expressing the "most profound regret about

what is happening in the gulf."

President Mikhail S. Gorbachev was to address the Soviet people on television later in the day. The Soviet Union was Iraq's longtime ally and main arms supplier prior to the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Moscow has supported international efforts to dislodge Iraqi forces through peaceful means, and voted for all U.N. Security

Council resolutions including the one authorizing force.

But it has steadfastly refused to extend the unprecedented superpower cooperation on the issue to include sending forces to participate in the war with Iraq.

Tass quoted an unidentified ranking Foreign Ministry official as saying the whole world had hoped the Iraqi leadership would

"show common sense and realism and heed the voice of the international community."

It paraphrased Moiseyev as saying "Iraq and other peoples of the region are paying too dearly for the reckless actions of its leadership."

None of the 15 Soviet republics directly borders Iraq or Kuwait. But legislators from the Black Sea area have spoken out repeatedly at

the Supreme Soviet legislature this week for their areas to be protected from possible chemical weapons.

The Supreme Soviet legislature on Wednesday approved a resolution calling for unspecified measures to increase security in regions of the Soviet Union nearest the gulf. The resolution also called on all sides to continue seeking a political solution.

U.S.: No more attacks if Iraq gives up Kuwait

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States said today that Iraq can avoid further punishment by beginning a complete, unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering made that promise in a private meeting with the Security Council after allied air raids began pounding Iraq, according to a text of his statement obtained by The Associated Press.

No formal council meetings were planned today.

"We hope to bring hostilities to conclusion as soon as possible, consistent with the full implementation of the U.N. Security Council resolutions," Pickering told the 14 other ambassadors.

Security Council Resolution 678, passed Nov. 29, authorized U.N. members to use "all necessary means" to drive Iraq out of Kuwait if Baghdad did not withdraw by Jan. 15.

"Although coalition forces are striking military and strategic

targets in Iraq, our goal is not the destruction, occupation or dismemberment of Iraq," he said. "It is the liberation of Kuwait."

"Iraq can avoid further destruction by unconditional, immediate and complete withdrawal from Kuwait," he said.

Pickering warned Iraq that its government would be held responsible for any acts of terrorism President Bush called Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar before warplanes blasted Baghdad to tell him allied forces were about to enforce the U.N. resolution demanding that Iraq pull out of Kuwait.

It was the first time since the Korean War that members of the United Nations launched an attack against a state that has defied U.N. resolutions.

After conquering Kuwait on Aug. 2, Iraq has refused to recognize any of the Security Council resolutions demanding that it end its occupation.



Getting the news
FRANKFURT, Germany — People in a Frankfurt subway station read the latest news on the outbreak of hostilities in the Persian Gulf Thursday. The top headline on the newspapers: "Bombs on Baghdad — War."

Spring board

How's that?

Q. Does the Department of Veterans Affairs provide life insurance protection for military personnel; even those going into combat?

A. Life insurance is available to all members of the military, regardless of where they serve, through the Servicemembers Group Life Insurance program, according to the Department of Veterans Affairs. Coverage is automatic.

Calendar

- TODAY**
- C.R.I.E. (Children's Rights Through Informed Education) will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce meeting room. Open to the public.
 - The Spring City Senior Center's Winter Fundraiser Dance and Spaghetti Supper will begin with supper being served from 5 to 7 p.m., followed by dancing to the music of the Super Six from 7 to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$4 in advance, or \$5 at the door.
 - Love From Home, a support group for our troops in the Mideast, will meet at 7 p.m.

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sanctions would start reminding voters of it. The war worsens the deficit. Should it go on, and send up oil prices, it could deepen a recession. Republicans hope to be over well before the 1992 presidential campaign.

With swift victory, Bush could regain the political standing he held before his budget and tax increase troubles of 1990. A long struggle, with a heavy casualty toll, could cripple him politically.

Court docket

- Filings in Howard County courts include the following:
- Santos Tijerina Mendez, 43, 1305 Elm Drive, pleaded guilty Wednesday in 148th Judicial District Court to driving while intoxicated. He was sentenced to four years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
 - Weldon James Akin, 19, 1306 Colby Avenue, pleaded guilty Wednesday in Howard County Court to unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. He was sentenced to five years deferred adjudication and was handed over to probation authorities.
 - Curtis Dewayne Moreland, 34, 2502 Ent Drive, was charged in County Court with DWI, second offense.
 - Jerry Lee Bacot, 30, 1614 15th Street, was charged in County Court with DWI, second offense.
 - David Scott Brooks, 31, Davis Road, was charged in County Court with driving while license suspended.
 - George Gandar, 26, 212 N. Nolan Street, was charged in County Court with driving while license suspended.
 - Ray Neal Ledenham, 21, San Antonio, was charged in County Court with driving while license suspended.

Sheriff's log

- The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents:
- A 49-year-old man was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was released on a \$2,000 bond.
 - A 29-year-old man was arrested for violating a protective order. His bond was set at \$1,500.

Police beat

- The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:
- Three cars collided at a four-way stop on Sixth and Johnson streets Wednesday afternoon. One vehicle, after stopping, failed to secure the right of way and struck a car already in the intersection. The second car then skidded, striking the third car which had been stopped at the stop sign.
 - A burglary was reported in the 1500 block of Wood Street. Sandwich meats, beer and soft drinks were reported taken.
 - A forgery was reported by a store in the College Park Shopping Center.
 - A glass door was reportedly damaged in the 1400 block of East Sixth Street. Damage was estimated at \$150.
 - A 35-year-old local man was arrested for parole revocation.

Runnels students tour capitol and mansion

By DEBBIE LINCECUM
Staff Writer

Austin adventures and a living history lesson continued Wednesday for 21 Runnels Junior High School students as they toured the capitol and governor's mansion.

After marching in the Inaugural Parade and dinner in a popular restaurant, the students were treated to the activities Wednesday before they started the trip home.

Rep. Troy Fraser took time out before the House of Representatives session to lead the group in a guided tour of the capitol building and a bit of history.

Runnels student Phillip Dominguez said he was impressed with a section of the building's ceiling on which "Texas" was painted in large letters.

"They said those letters were two feet long each," he said. "That was neat. The ceiling was so high I couldn't believe it."

Fraser presented the group a flag that had flown over the capitol on Inauguration Day.

Runnels principal Royce Cox said he will display the flag, along with the banner the kids carried in Tuesday's parade, in the front lobby of the school.

Just before the House session began, Fraser accompanied the group up to the balcony to continue his explanation of how our govern-

ment works. He described the process by which a bill becomes law and discussed the upcoming committee selection process.

Fraser invited the students to return to the capitol city to work as honorary pages on the House floor. He encouraged them to get involved in their government.

"Watch your newspaper about things happening in the state," he said. "If something concerns you, give me a call. Feel free to call us anytime and we'll do whatever we can to help you."

He told the group he was very proud of their march in the parade. "It was a very special thing," he said. "You don't know how pleased I was to have some students from my hometown out there."

After Speaker of the House Gib Lewis called the session to order, the kids were introduced as special guests and recognized with applause.

"I liked it when they recognized us," said Alecia Butler. "Everybody clapped."

School secretary Sherri Smoot said she thinks the kids gained some valuable experience at the capitol.

"I think this will stress to them how important freedom of choice is, and how important our right to vote can be," she said.

Eighth grader Shannon Woodruff



Rep. Troy Fraser, left, presents Runnels principal Royce Cox and a group of students a flag that was flown over the state capitol on Inauguration Day.

Fraser gave the students a tour of the capitol while they were in Austin to march in the Inaugural Parade.

said she's not yet sold on politics. "Sometimes it can be boring, sometimes real interesting," she said. "It all depends on what they are saying."

Students will write about their experiences for history classes as

well as share their memories with other kids. "I have to tell everybody about this," Woodruff said. "I can't wait."

As the group rode home Wednesday afternoon, they were talking

and laughing excitedly, said principal Royce Cox. "Then we heard over the radio about the war, and not another word was spoken for the whole trip."

Attack

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said. Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said: "I'm comfortable that we were able to achieve control of Iraqi air space. That's not to say the Iraqi air force has been totally destroyed."

He would not confirm or deny reports of movement of ground troops.

In Egypt, government media said today that the crews of 50 Iraqi tanks deserted their positions in Kuwait and were en route to Egyptian military posts in Saudi Arabia to surrender with their tanks.

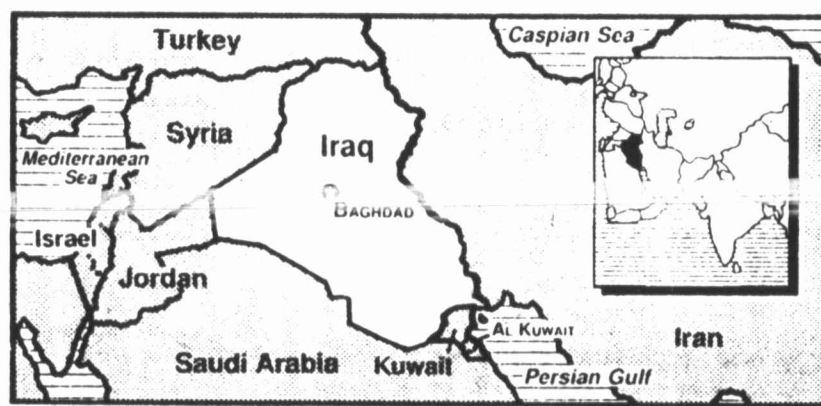
Asked if the United States would give Saddam a pause to withdraw from Kuwait following the initial use of allied force, Cheney said: "We've been instructed to execute the plan, carry on these operations until we achieve our objective... to get Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait."

Saddam survived a night of fire that rained down on his capital. As the misty, smoke-shrouded day dawned in Baghdad, he spat defiance at the allied armies in a radio message from an undisclosed location.

"The mother of all battles is under way!" proclaimed the Iraqi president, whom a Western journalist saw at Baghdad's broadcast center before the second wave of air strikes.

But American officials said Iraqi planes had not engaged the allied aircraft in any dogfights. And a threatened strike against Israel never occurred — perhaps, Israeli officials suggested, because the allies knocked out the missiles aimed at the Jewish state.

The only reported Iraqi offensive strike appeared to have been an ar-



tillery attack that set three oil tanks ablaze in northern Saudi Arabia, with no injuries reported.

"We can put pressure on 24 hours a day," said Col. Hal Hornburg of Dallas, commander of the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing in Saudi Arabia. Sand swirled wildly as fighter jets took off every few seconds.

A pilot who flew one of the first bombing sorties, Lt. Col. Don Kline, said Iraqi pilots did not engage them. "I was surprised with that," he said.

The first allied air strike came before dawn, the second about seven hours later. The second-wave attack scored direct hits on the Iraqi Defense Ministry and the post office headquarters, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported.

U.S. military officials said the targets were strategic sites.

Powell said the first allied wave met "no air resistance" from Iraq's warplanes.

He said Iraqi command and control centers were prime targets of the first wave. Bush said chemical and nuclear plants were also targeted.

Only the United States, Britain,

Saudi Arabia and Kuwait participated in the initial attacks, Cheney said, although 28 nations are part of the multinational force confronting Iraq.

French planes did not take part in the first assault, but a dozen flew in later attacks.

The Palestine Liberation Organization called on Muslims and Third World countries to rally to Iraq's support. It denounced the allied attack as "boldfaced and treacherous aggression."

In Israel — which Saddam had vowed to make a target if war broke out — an army officer, Brig. Gen. Zeev Livne, said missiles in western Iraq that could have threatened Israel were hit in the U.S.-led offensive. Nevertheless, the Israeli army today ordered most citizens to stay at home and keep their gas masks ready for a feared chemical attack.

By unleashing an overnight aerial bombardment, the allies sought to take advantage of the darkness of a new moon — and of overwhelming U.S. air superiority.

More than 1 million troops have been massed on opposite sides, 425,000 of them Americans.

Reaction

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Center, said he believed the strike was the right thing to do.

"I'm normally an aggressive person," he said. "But (Saddam) was carrying too big of a load to be treating us that way."

He said he considers the Iraqi people "fanatics," and Operation Desert Storm was the only way to handle them.

"I think we'll turn this around," he said.

Retired Air Force Capt. Stanley Ballou said it's too soon to tell. "We're doing everything right, and everything seems to be going fine," he said. "We may not even need the ground troops. But it's early to know."

Don Boling, a veteran of the Vietnam War, said he thinks the U.S. was right to strike when it did.

"We made the right move," he said. "We were faced with a choice of doing it now or later. The waiting was difficult."

Boling's son is stationed in the Gulf, and the father said he now understands what his own parents experienced.

"I don't enjoy this side of the coin," he said. "I just hope he'll stay low and come back."

Joe Crenwelge also understands the anguish of a military parent. With two sons now stationed in Saudi Arabia, he said he stays close to the news as often as possible.

"I think (the strike) was necessary," he said.

Crenwelge, a former Air Force Lt. Colonel, said he does not believe in making predictions about the length of the battle or its end result.

"Only the people with the facts should make the judgments," he said. "Those of us on the sidelines... don't understand the rules of the game."

VA Medical Center director Con-

Briefs

Judge candidates to be interviewed

The City Council will meet today at 5:30 p.m. in executive session to interview four candidates for Municipal Judge.

Marvin Wise has withdrawn his application for the post, City Manager Hal Boyd said today.

- Remaining candidates are:
- Max Webb, retired from the Big Spring Federal Correction Institute.
 - Arnold Marshall, retired.
 - Bill Tune, bailiff, Municipal Court.
 - Robert Stapp, deputy, Howard County Sheriff's Office.

Council members will interview each candidate individually at the meeting.

DOD establishes telephone hotline

WASHINGTON (TNN) — The Defense Department has established a 24-hour telephone number for relatives and friends

of service members to obtain information regarding casualties in the Persian Gulf. General Information: Army: 1-703-614-0739 Air Force: 1-800-253-9276 Navy: 1-800-732-1206 Immediate family members only: Navy: 1-800-255-3808 Marine Corps: 1-800-523-2694 Coast Guard: 1-800-283-8724

Boss Hog's Chili Cook-off scheduled

On Saturday the Big Spring Harley Owners and Big Spring Harley Davidson Shop will sponsor the Boss Hog's Chili Cook-off, featuring Mayor Max Green Court.

The cook-off is the major fund raiser for the group, which sponsors a toys-for-tots program at Christmas.

The event will be at the motorcycle shop at 908 West Third Street, with the actual cook-off beginning at 10 a.m. Judging, by the "Wild Bunch," will begin at 2 p.m.

Entry fee is \$15. The contestants must furnish their own supplies. All chili must be prepared and cooked from scratch at the site.

CRMWD ended last year in the black

The Colorado River Municipal Water District, through November, set itself in good position to end its financial year in December on the plus side, officials reported.

While revenues of \$11,909,017 were only \$20,903 under budget projections, expenses of operation in the amount of \$6,263,137, were \$147,175 under budget. Net revenues for the first 11 months stood at \$5,620,749, 1.85 percent under projections.

Water revenues of \$11,588,771 were \$32,771 under budget; recreational revenues of \$127,501 fell 13.74 percent short, but miscellaneous income of \$192,744 was 25.13 percent over projections.

At the end of November, surface water reserves showed 280,000 acre-feet in three lakes. Lake Spence had 153,665 acre-feet and Lake Thomas 30,976 acre-feet and Lake O.H. Ivie 95,447 acre-feet.

Deaths

Leonard Zaltosky

Leonard Zaltosky, 66, Lamesa, died Sunday, Jan. 13, 1991, at a local hospital.

Graveside services will be 1:30 p.m. Friday at Fort Bliss National Cemetery in El Paso under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 16, 1924, in Mc-Curtain. He worked as a laborer. Survivors include one son, Craig Zaltosky, Capistrano Beach, Calif.; and one brother, Lou Zaltosky, Long Beach, Calif.

O.T. Mitchell

O.T. Mitchell, 56, Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1991, at Midland Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Winnfield Funeral Chapel in Shreveport, La. Burial will be in Liberty Cemetery in Keachie, La.

MYERS & SMITH Funeral Home and Chapel

267-8288
301 E. 24th St., Big Spring

Local arrangements were by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. The body will lie in state at Myers & Smith Funeral Home until 10:30 p.m. Thursday.

He was born Dec. 24, 1934, in Deberry. He married Almonia Salome Nov. 7, 1954, in Louisiana. He moved to Big Spring from Louisiana and had lived here for 25 years. He was a member of the Church of God in Christ. He worked for Conoco Oil for 30 years, retiring in 1987.

Survivors include his wife, Almonia Mitchell, Big Spring; six daughters: Annie Farr, Brenda Cole, Doris Johnson, Mary Mitchell, and Linda Banks, all of Big Spring; and Josephine Menefield, Midland; one sister, Mary Martin, Fort Worth; and 13 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, and two brothers.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel

906 GREGG BIG SPRING
Mrs. C.E. (Bessie) Suggs, 85, died Monday. Services will be 2:00 P.M. Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

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For now — pro sports will continue

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The NFL, NBA and NHL will play, for now.

Pro sports will go on at home against the backdrop of war in the Persian Gulf.

But a major college basketball game in North Carolina was called off Wednesday night after fighting began in the Middle East. And Wayne Gretzky thinks the NHL should do the same with its All-Star game Saturday.

"The game is great for hockey, but that's all secondary now," Gretzky, who has a cousin serving in the gulf, said after the Los Angeles Kings' 4-3 loss in Hartford. "If it was me, I'd cancel the game. I'd tell everybody to go home and evaluate what is going on."

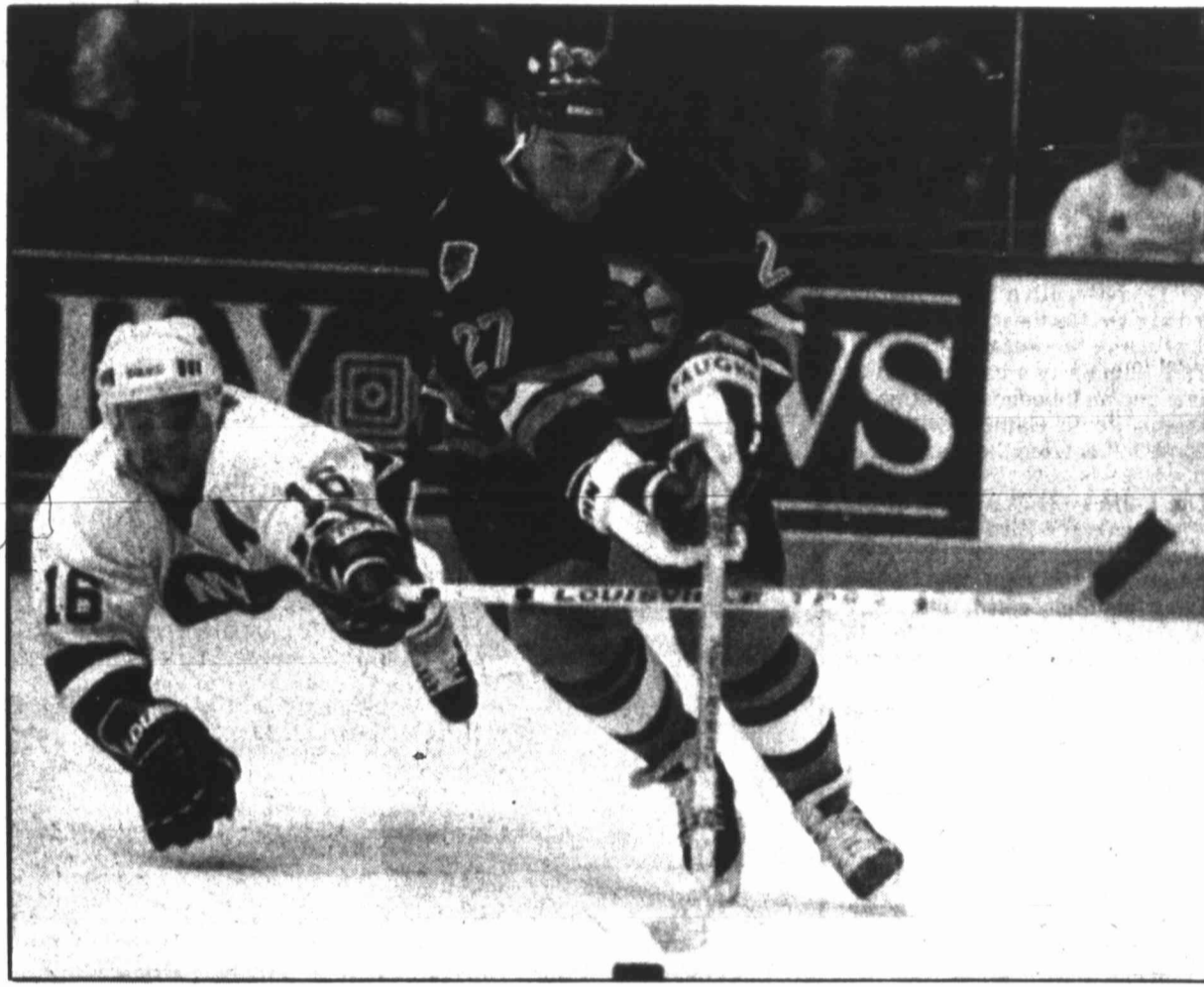
In Chapel Hill, N.C., the game between No. 5 North Carolina and North Carolina was postponed about a half-hour before tipoff.

"This is just a moment of recognition that our lives are changing," University of North Carolina chancellor Paul Hardin said. "This is not a moment to play basketball."

NCAA spokesman Jim Marchiony said "the decision of whether or not to conduct intercollegiate athletic contests is up to each individual school and each individual conference."

The NFL said earlier this week that it had no plans to cancel Sunday's championship games.

"The league will have no further



UNIONDALE, N.Y. — New York Islanders center Pat LaFontaine (16) falls to the ice as he tries to get a puck from Boston Bruins Dave Christian in

National Hockey League action. Right now, the NHL, NFL and NBA will play their scheduled games despite of the war.

elaboration on what we said last Monday. Like the rest of the nation, we're closely watching the news of the events," NFL spokesman Joe Browne said.

NBA games went ahead as scheduled Wednesday night. In Milwaukee, players and fans held hands before the national anthem; in San Antonio, President Bush's address to the nation was shown at halftime.

"It's hard to really play, relax, enjoy yourself and have fun while someone over there is defending your honor. It's tough. We wish them well," Michael Jordan said after Chicago's 99-88 victory in Orlando. "Our love and our faith go with them, and hopefully everything's going our way."

San Antonio Spurs star David Robinson, a Navy reservist, watched television news reports before a 100-94 victory over Dallas, and used it immediately afterward.

"Everyone was real anxious to try to see what was going on," Robinson said. "It really makes the significance of this basketball game seem very small."

"I've only been in mock war situations, and those weren't fun at all. Those give you a real sense of the harsh reality of war," he said. "We only had blanks in our guns, but you were running around with smoke bombs everywhere, trying to shoot these buildings. You can't see anything. It's really a sobering experience. They're out there facing

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Thursday notes

Boxer wins number 10

By STEVE BELVIN Sports Editor

Former Big Spring resident Juan Baldwin, now of Odessa, is working his way up in the professional boxing ranks.

Last week in San Antonio, Baldwin, a 131-pound lightweight, ran his record to 10-1 with a second-round knockout of Steve Whetstone of Homestead, Fla. Whetstone is a veteran who has 43 professional bouts, and was formerly ranked No. 5 in the world. The knockout came at the 2:48 mark in the round.

Baldwin said he got a slow start in the bout. "It really wasn't that easy," said Baldwin. "I got a slow start in the first round, I was a little rusty because I hadn't fought in six months. In the second round I started to loosen up and I came into my own. "I worked the body and opened him up, and then caught him with a pretty good uppercut. Once I got into my rhythm that was all she wrote; I was just too strong for him."

Baldwin is managed by Lester Bedford Sport Promotions. He is currently ranked No. 9 by the United States Boxing Association.

His next scheduled bout is Jan. 25 in Corpus Christi against an opponent to be named.

Sands defender first team all-state

The All-State Six-Man football team was recently released and Sands Mustangs lineman Brandon Riddle was named to the first defensive unit.

Making the second offensive unit was Klondike wide receiver Cody Vogler. Sands linebacker Eric Herm made the second defensive team.

Named to the honorable mention offensive unit was Sands quarterback Aaron Cowley. Honorable mention defensive honors went to Grady lineman Danny Valle, Klondike linebacker Andy Guerra and Sands safety Charles Rhodes.

Three Steers make All-West Texas

Three Big Spring Steer football players were named to the All-West Texas football first team, selected by the Abilene Reporter-News.

All three Steers are seniors. They were wingback Neal Mayfield, tailback Jermaine Miller and middle linebacker Felipe Saiz.

Four area senior gridders were named to the second team. They were Coahoma running back Shane Walker and safety Rusty Ginnett.

Also Big Spring safety Freddy Rodriguez made the second team as did Colorado City kicker Robbie Smith.

Incidentally, Miller, citing a need for a change, opted to enlist in the Navy instead of going to play college football. Miller's dad, Larry Moore — who played pro football himself — said his 6-foot-2, 210-pound son was highly recruited by Texas A&M for fullback, and the University of Oklahoma for linebacker.

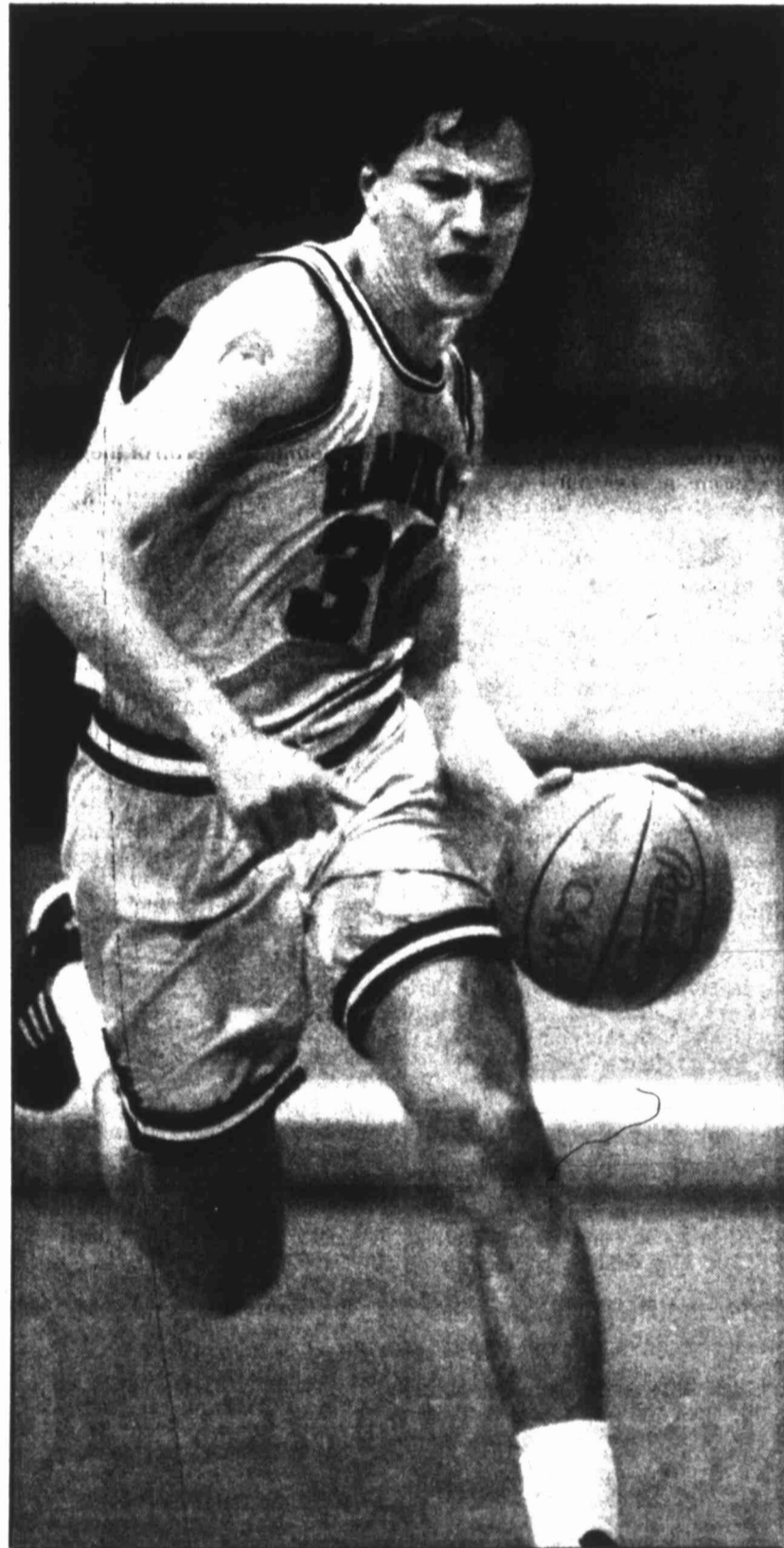
Dad says he has no regrets about the decision. "Even when he was in Rannels, he talked about joining the Navy someday. As long as he's doing something, I'm happy," said Moore. "I'll back him up whatever he does; I can just offer him advice. He pushed the academics; he got the books. That's what I give him the most credit for."

AAU girls hoop tourney scheduled

The West Texas Association of the Amateur Athletic Union/Carrier Sports Program has scheduled its 1991 Association Girls' Basketball Tournament June 6-9 in Amarillo.

Site of the tournament will be Austin Middle School, 1808

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Herald photo by J. Fierro

Hawks to face Chaparrals

Howard College Hawks freshman guard Antonio Valiengo brings the ball downcourt in recent action at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Tonight the 19-0 Hawks, ranked third nationally, will play the Midland College Chaparrals (11-7) at 7:30 at Chap Center.

Lady Hawks catch Roadrunners

PALM DESERT, Calif. — The No. 3 Howard College Lady Hawks began their three-day road trip on the West Coast with a sterling performance. Wednesday night the Lady Hawks drummed the College of the Desert Roadrunners 86-37.

It was total Howard domination from start to finish. The Lady Hawks led 56-16 at the half. Lady Hawks coach Royce Chadwick said the main reason for the big halftime lead was Howard's press.

"We jumped on them, we pressed them early," said Chadwick. "Their post players were pretty good, but their guard play was not very strong and we ate them up."

"We watched them in warmup and it didn't look like they could handle the ball very well. We gave our team a three-minute scouting report. Everybody played, we



Howard College freshman forward Yolanda Wells (50), shown here in this file photo, was one of three Lady Hawks in double figures Wednesday night. Wells scored 12 points.

brought 10 players and they all scored. In the second half we played a halfcourt game because of the score. We scored 30 and they scored 21. They can play with you in a halfcourt game.

Post player Mulu Tosi led Howard with 15 points. Guard Cindy Williams scored 14 and forward Yolanda Wells added 12.

Howard goes to 19-0 for the season. The Lady Hawks play San Jacinto College tonight.

HOWARD (86) — Julie Lempe 50 10; Kim Robinson 30 6; Rebecca Brown 40 8; Kathy Mangrum 21 5; Kelly Williams 18 2; Desiree Wallace 22 6; LeAnn Heinrich 8 8; Yolanda Wells 52 12; Cindy Williams 9 14; Mulu Tosi 6 3 15; Totals 39 8-13 86.

COLLEGE OF THE DESERT (37) — Maris 24 8; Daniels 20 6; Joyce 25 9; Kleser 0 4; DeLaRosa 2 6 10; Totals 10 15-25 37. HALFTIME — Howard 56, College of the Desert 16.

Tennis action takes backseat to war

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Losses suddenly lost meaning. Fans split their time between the courts and television newscasts. The Australian Open went on today, tennis in a new perspective and a new world.

Play began in the park-like National Tennis Center just about the time a U.S.-led air armada struck with bombs and missiles at Iraq. The players played their matches, the fans cheered every point, but war instead of break points and aces was the focus of attention.

"I hope that there will be peace. It's very scary," top-ranked Stefan Edberg said. "Obviously, everyone is watching TV to see what is happening."

As the sounds of newscasts about the war from snack-bar television sets mingled with the whack of tennis balls and umpires' calls, the lineup for the third round in singles was completed with few surprises.

Edberg, third-seeded Ivan Lendl, fifth-seeded Goran Ivanisevic and seventh-seeded Brad Gilbert all won in the men's field. Ivanisevic needed five sets to down Ramesh Krishnan of India on a raucous outside court and Gilbert was taken the distance by Australia's Richard Fromberg.

Gilbert had perhaps the most direct link to the war. His brother-in-law is an American Army

Australian Open

helicopter pilot in the Persian Gulf. "It's been tense," Gilbert said. "My wife's not sleeping much."

Lendl's match against Scott Davis of Davie, Fla., was watched by fans who briefly chanted, "No more war, give peace a chance."

Monica Seles, the women's second seed, had her shutout string broken at 15 games but won handily over Italy's Cathy Caverzasio 6-1, 6-0, and third-seeded Mary Joe Fernandez of Miami beat Francesca Romano of Italy 6-1, 6-2. Romano saved two match points in the sixth game of the second set, and a third in the seventh game before Fernandez closed the match.

Seles, the 17-year-old French Open champion said she was distracted by the thought of what had happened in the skies over Baghdad.

"I've never lived through a war," Seles said.

Wally Masur, an unseeded Australian beaten by Magnus Gustafsson in one of the day's first matches, said the events in the Gulf had an immediate and pro-

found impact on him.

"I was pretty annoyed at losing, but when I heard there was a war going on, I thought, 'I have all my limbs and my health, and shouldn't feel too bad about losing a tennis match,'" Masur said.

Edberg needed less than 1 1/2 hours to beat Eduardo Masso 6-1, 6-2, 6-3. Masso, a Belgian, has a beard, a ponytail and a game inadequate to keep up with the Wimbledon champion and top seed.

Lendl had a tough start against the unorthodox style of Davis, but then rolled to a 7-6, 6-3, 6-2 victory.

Seles, who shut out first-round opponent Sabine Hack, won her first three games of the second round before Caverzasio won her lone game of the match. The 18-year-old Italian played well but was no match for Seles' two-handed groundstrokes and court coverage.

Ivanisevic beat Krishnan 6-4, 3-6, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 before a crowd filled with Yugoslavs and supporters of the Croatian separatist movement. Those two groups clashed earlier at the victory by Yugoslavia's Goran Prpic over Luis Mattar of Brazil, with three spectators suffering minor injuries.

The only seed upset today was women's No. 7 Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere, who lost to Germany's Anke Huber 6-4, 6-4.

Rice Owls have easy time with Red Raiders

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Rice Owls, who had been having a tough time with the top teams in the Southwest Conference, found the Texas Tech Red Raiders an easier opponent.

The Owls defeated the Red Raiders, 70-58, and Southern Methodist University whipped Baylor, 80-63, in SWC games Wednesday night.

Chase Maag scored 19 of his 22 points in the second half and Dana Hardy scored 12 of his 15 points in the first half, to lead the Owls.

SWC Hoops

Marvin Moore added 12 points and Brent Scott added nine rebounds for Rice as the Owls increased their overall record to 6-8 and their conference mark to 1-3.

Dereck Butts was the top scorer for Texas Tech (5-12, 2-3) with 19 points. Stacy Bailey added nine points off the bench. Rice took a 10-2 lead and led

16-4 with 12:28 left in the first half. Texas Tech then outscored Rice 17-2 to take its only lead in the game, 21-18, with six minutes left in the half.

But the Owls countered with 11 straight points, eight by Hardy, to move ahead 29-21 with 3:16 left in the first half and led, 32-25, at intermission.

Texas Tech managed to cut its deficit to six, 56-50, after a basket by Will Flemons with 3:48 left. Moore had seven points in the final 2:37 of play to help the Owls secure the victory.

Mike Wilson scored 24 points and grabbed 13 rebounds to lead SMU to an 80-63 victory over Baylor.

The victory raised the Mustangs' record to 7-8 overall and 2-2 in league play. The Bears fell to 8-6 and 1-4.

SMU trailed, 21-20, with 7:03 left in the first half, but used fast breaks and offensive rebounds to spark a 17-6 run that gave the Mustangs a 37-27 halftime lead. SMU hit more than 60 percent of their shots from the field while Wilson poured in 15 points for the

half.

Baylor never got closer than seven points in the second half, despite the heroics of David Wesley, whose 24 points led the Bears. Wesley converted a four-point play with 7:15 left, keeping Baylor within reach.

But as Baylor, behind 61-52 with 4:27 to play, struggled to stay within range, Chad Allen hit two consecutive 3-pointers to help put the game away.

SMU held the Bears to 35.1 percent shooting (20-of-57) for the game.

Sidelines

Miami QB coach turns down job

DALLAS (AP) — Miami Dolphins quarterbacks coach Gary Stevens has turned down an offer to become the Dallas Cowboys' offensive coordinator, The Dallas Morning News reported today.

"I'm with a good organization now. Personally, for me, it's best to stay where I'm at. I'm doing what I feel is best for me and my family," Stevens said.

Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson declined to comment directly on the decision of Stevens, who had been his top offensive assistant for five seasons at the University of Miami (1984-88).

Stevens had met with Johnson in Fairhope, Ala., where coaches are gathered to scout the Senior Bowl.

He would have replaced Dave Shula, now the Cowboys' receivers coach.

Johnson said he still plans to hire a new offensive coordinator by month's end.

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Wimberly St. Divisions offered will be 12 and under, 13 and under, 14 and under, 15 and under, 16 and under and 18 and under. Age is determined by age as of Jan. 1. Girls may play in an older age division, but not in a younger division. A maximum of eight teams will be accepted in each age division tournament.

The winners of each division qualify to participate in national tournament conducted in different parts of the United States. Entry deadline for receipt of information and fees is May 27.

For more information call Garret von Netzer at (806) 353-7116 (home) or at (806) 376-4488 (office).

Marathon set in Abilene

The Marathon of the Great Southwest will be April 6 in Abilene. The event will feature a marathon race and a 5K run. Entry deadline is April 2 and entry fee is \$15. There are several age groups for males and females, starting with 12 and under to 60 and older. All runners will receive T-shirts and the top three finishers in each division will receive trophies.

For more information call Mike Osborn at 677-8144.

Howard-Midland tickets at McDonalds

The McDonalds on Andrews Highway in Midland and the McDonalds in Big Spring are sponsoring the Midland College-Howard College basketball game tonight at 8 in Chaparral Center.

Fans can receive one free ticket to the game with the purchase of any food item.

Lady Hawks move; Hawks stay same

The Howard College basketball teams are the talk of the junior college ranks. No schools in the country can boast of having a men and women's team ranked as high in the national polls.

The Hawks are still third in the nation behind number one Kankakee, Ill. and South Plains. The Hawks got three first place votes; South received five and Kankakee 14.

The Lady Hawks moved from fourth to third. Emmanuel, Ga. is number one and Northeast Oklahoma is second. Emmanuel received four first place votes and NE Oklahoma received the other two.

South Plains, who Howard plays a week from today in Levelland, is ranked number four and Odessa College is ranked 10th.

West back in the NFL

Former Big Spring football star Charlie West is back in the National Football League.

West played in the NFL for the Minnesota Vikings and served as defensive coordinator for the Denver Broncos for many years. Two seasons ago West and all the defensive coaches for Denver were relieved of their duties. This week West was hired as defensive back coach for the New England Patriots.

Warriors end Celtics' home streak

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Without a Bird on the wing, the high-flying Boston Celtics crashed, taking with them their 18-game home winning streak.

With forward Larry Bird grounded by a back injury, the Celtics lost to the Golden State Warriors 110-105 Wednesday night. It was their first loss at Boston Garden since their second home game this season, a 120-100 setback against the Chicago Bulls.

"There's a big difference in the Celtics without Larry," said Golden State's Mitch Richmond, who had 26 points. "He would have been a big part of their game down the stretch."

The victory was Golden State's second straight at Boston Garden after 11 consecutive losses and its third in a row on the road. Boston is 19-2 at home this season.

Tim Hardaway's career-high 37 points and an inbounds violation by Boston's Kevin Gamble with 16.7 seconds left carried the Warriors to victory.

The Celtics (29-7) are 3-2 in the five games since Bird was sidelined indefinitely.

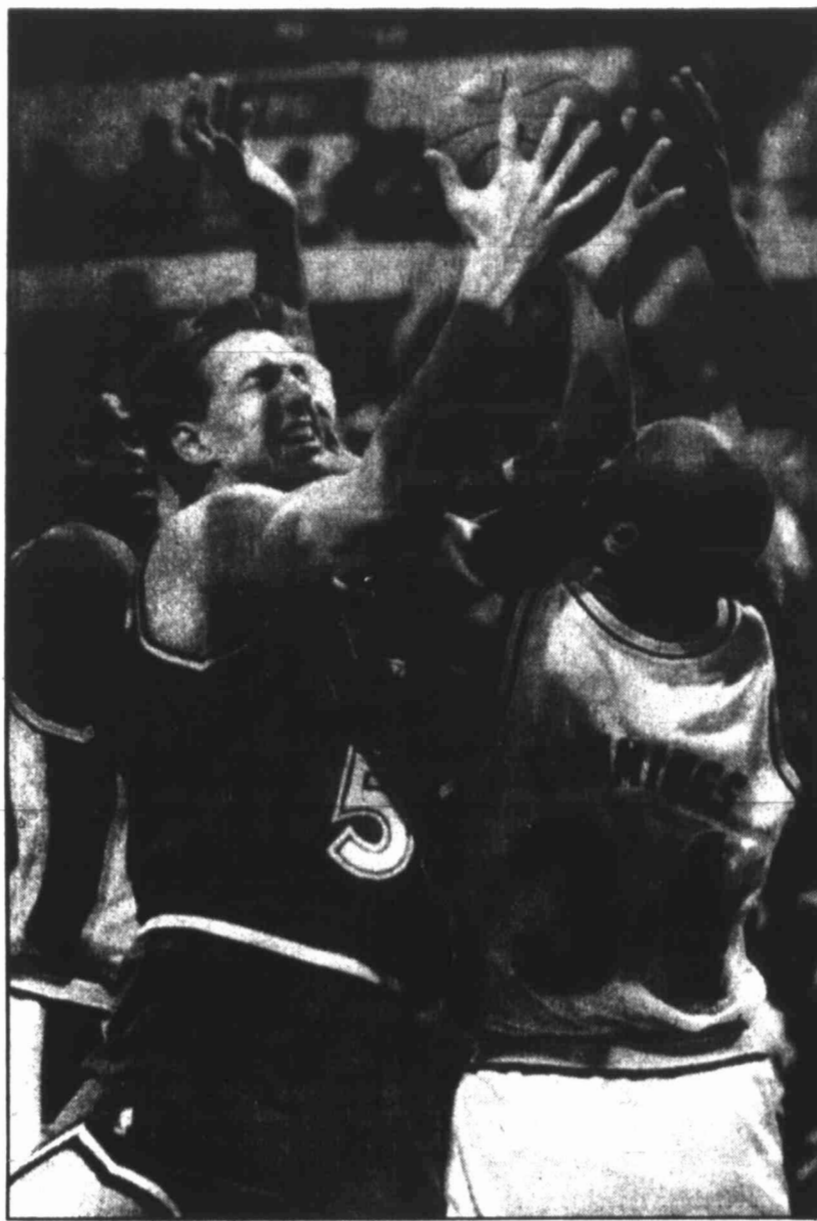
"Anytime you beat the Celtics playing on their court, it's big," said Chris Mullin, who added 16 points for the Warriors. "Mitch and Tim have been carrying us."

The Celtics lost their second straight game and dropped behind Portland (32-7) for the NBA's best record.

"The Warriors did whatever they wanted offensively," Boston coach Chris Ford said. "We didn't execute our own offense."

Elsewhere, it was Cleveland 108, Miami 94; Minnesota 93, New York 89; Chicago 99, Orlando 88; San Antonio 100, Dallas 94; Milwaukee 126, Indiana 119; Denver 111, Charlotte 104; and Washington 101, the Los Angeles Clippers 99.

Boston, which began the game with a league-leading 53.1 field goal percentage, hit a season low 38.6 percent of its shots. Its season-high 24 offensive rebounds were wasted



SAN ANTONIO — Dallas Mavericks' John Shasky battles with San Antonio Spurs David Robinson (left) and Terry Cummings during first half action Wednesday night. The Spurs won the game 100-94.

by the poor shooting.

Tyrone Hill's free throw gave Golden State a 107-105 lead with 32 seconds left. After a Boston timeout, the Celtics lost the ball when Gamble couldn't inbound it

within five seconds.

"That won't be the ballgame for us," Warriors coach Don Nelson said. "I was kind of surprised at the five-second call," Gamble said. "Mullin was just going where he

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thought I was going with it" and prevented a clean pass.

Boston was forced to foul, and Rod Higgins hit one foul shot with 16.0 seconds remaining and Mullin made two with 6.9 seconds to go.

The Celtics were led by Gamble with 26 points and Kevin McHale with 22.

Bulls 99, Magic 88

Michael Jordan had 29 points and Chicago held Orlando to one basket in the first seven minutes of the final period, extending its winning streak to seven games.

Jordan struggled from the field — hitting only 11 of 27 shots — but his jumper with 1:28 fueled a 9-0 run at the end that enabled the Bulls to beat the Magic at Orlando Arena for the first time in three tries.

Scottie Pippen added 17 points for the Bulls, while Horace Grant had 16 points and 13 rebounds. Nick Anderson led the Magic with 25 points.

Cavaliers 108, Heat 94

Brad Daugherty took advantage of Miami's outmanned frontcourt and scored 22 points as Cleveland ended an 11-game losing streak.

The Heat, losing for the sixth time in eight games, is without center Rony Seikaly, out since late December with a sprained knee.

Craig Ehlo scored 16 points and Larry Nance 14 for Cleveland, which won for just the third time in 21 games since losing point guard Mark Price to a season-ending knee injury. The Cavs also ended a five-game home losing streak.

Willie Burton led Miami with 19 points

Timberwolves 93, Knicks 89

Sam Mitchell scored 12 of his 20 points in the fourth quarter and Minnesota won its third straight road game.

The expansion Timberwolves, who had never before won con-

secutive road games until they beat Orlando and Miami last week, handed the Knicks their 12th loss in 20 home games, matching their number of defeats at Madison Square Garden last season.

Kiki Vandeweghe scored 25 of his 26 points in the first half for New York, but took only five shots in the final 24 minutes. Charles Oakley had 14 points and 19 rebounds for the Knicks. Tyrone Corbin led Minnesota with 22 points while Pooh Richardson had a career-high 16 assists.

Spurs 100, Mavericks 94

David Robinson scored 30 points and Rod Strickland 21 as surging San Antonio rallied to beat reeling Dallas.

Dallas led by as many as 19 points late in the third quarter on 90 percent shooting in the period. But San Antonio, winning for the 16th time in 20 games, held Dallas without a basket for the first 6:11 of the final quarter during a 16-1 surge that tied the game at 86. A subsequent 8-0 run by the Spurs iced it.

Derek Harper led Dallas with 27 points while Alex English had 21 and Rodney McCray 18. The Mavericks lost their fourth straight game and ninth in 12.

Bucks 126, Pacers 119

Jay Humphries scored 33 points and Ricky Pierce 31 as Milwaukee beat Indiana to snap a four-game losing streak with its 19th victory in 20 home games this season.

Reggie Miller led the Pacers, now 2-17 on the road, with 26 points. He made six 3-point baskets.

Danny Schayes added 18 points and Jeff Grayer a season-high 16 for the Bucks.

Nuggets 111, Hornets 104

Walter Davis made 13 of 13 free throws and scored 31 points in the final 1:18, and finished with 31 points, leading Denver over hapless Charlotte.

It was only the third victory for the Nuggets in 17 games. The Hornets lost their third straight game and 17th in 20.

Jumbo leads Giants 'O'

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The New York Giants' offense has been called predictable, and in some ways it is.

When the Giants want to run the ball in "crunch time," the flow is left, behind tackle Jumbo Elliott.

"He's our best run blocker, no secret about it," Giants center Bart Oates said Wednesday as the Giants prepared for Sunday's NFC title game in San Francisco. "He's our best up there. He dominates people. I haven't seen anyone stay with him."

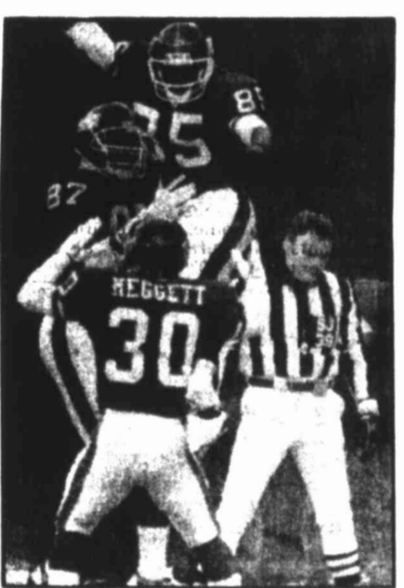
"Richard Dent is going to the Pro Bowl, and he found himself on his back a couple of times this past weekend."

Dent, defensive end of the Chicago Bears, isn't the only one who has found out in recent weeks how tough Elliott can be. Chris Doleman of the Minnesota Vikings, Bruce Smith of the Buffalo Bills, Andre Tippett of the New England Patriots and Ken Harvey of the Phoenix Cardinals all butted heads with the 300-pounder. For their efforts, they recorded two sacks.

Since Elliott returned to the Giants lineup on Dec. 9, the Giants' rushing game has gone wild. New York picked up 115 yards against Minnesota and followed that with 157 against Buffalo, 163 against Phoenix, a season-high 213 vs. New England and 194 in last Sunday's playoff victory over Chicago.

The glaring numbers for the Giants are games with and without Elliott, their second-round draft choice in 1988.

The Giants have averaged 149.9 yards rushing in nine games with him in the lineup and 111.8 in the eight games when he was on the sidelines with what was reported to



EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — New York Giants Stephen Baker (85), Howard Cross (87) and Dave Meggett (30) celebrate a touchdown against the Chicago Bears.

be a broken bone in his lower left leg.

Giants coach Bill Parcells never disclosed the exact injury, which was sustained in the fourth game of the season.

"I think he is playing dominant football right now," offensive line coach Fred Hoaglin said. "He's a good learner, but most of the time he works things out with brute strength and determination."

San Francisco coach George Seifert said Elliott's return obviously makes the Giants stronger.

"He's a very dominant run blocker," Seifert said earlier this week. "There are a few shots on TV

I saw earlier this week of him taking on Chicago defensive ends and driving them into the ground. That's his strength."

Elliott is going to have almost a 40-pound weight advantage Sunday against Kevin Fagan, but Hoaglin said the 49ers' defensive linemen are very good at using their hands and getting around blockers.

"Fagan is one of our better defensive players," Seifert said. "So it's a classic matchup. One of the better defensive linemen against one of the better offensive run blockers."

Elliott has had help up front, and obviously one of the keys in recent weeks has been that the offensive line is back together.

With Elliott out, right guard Eric Moore had to switch to left tackle and was replaced by Bob Kratch. In the first meeting with the 49ers, on Dec. 3, Moore also was hurt, forcing left guard William Roberts to play left tackle with Brian Williams taking over Roberts' spot.

"That meant three of the Giants' five linemen were playing out of position in the 7-3 loss. With everybody back this past weekend, New York rolled to a 31-3 win over the Bears."

"We had a real good game plan last week, and it was clicking," Roberts said. "Hopefully, it will click more this week. So I'd say Jumbo coming back is 50 percent. But the line is not one person. It's a unit, and everyone is performing well."

Elliott dislikes talking about his play, particularly if someone says it's good.

"I just care about winning and losing," he said.

49ers' line takes good care of Joe

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The San Francisco 49ers have protected Joe Montana like the crown jewel of a quarterback that he is.

Despite the ever-increasing amount of attention focused his way, Montana was sacked fewer times this season (29) than in either of the two previous seasons despite throwing a career-high 520 passes this season.

"Every week we go out there and there's a signing hanging out saying, 'Kill Montana or Mutilate the guy,'" 49ers guard Harris Barton said.

"We see so many different types of blitzes and so many different types of schemes to try and get to him quick. We did a pretty good job of adjusting to it. ... What suffered was our running back, but the most important thing was protecting the quarterback."

Maybe the key figure in protecting Montana Sunday in the NFC Championship game against the New York Giants will be tackle Bubba Paris, who will line up opposite Lawrence Taylor a large portion of the game.

Taylor finished the regular season with 4½ sacks in his final four games after totalling six in his first 12 games.

The Giants used a big pass rush to stifle the Chicago Bears' passing attack in a 31-3 victory last Sunday, and Taylor figures to be leading the Giants at Joe Mon-

tana this weekend.

"Bubba is going to have to play the best game that he's played," 49ers center Guy McIntyre said. "Wherever (Taylor) lines up everybody is going to have to take note. But you don't build your game around one person. Years ago we did and got into trouble to a certain extent. Now a man is assigned to (Taylor) and he has to do his job."

After splitting time at tackle in 1989 with Steve Wallace, Paris found himself the San Francisco 49ers' full-time tackle this year. With far more than 300 pounds hanging from his 6-foot-6 frame, Paris made it through the season, and, except for a groin pull that slowed him for part of the last half, he was satisfied.

"Physically, it was a testing year, but as effectiveness it was as good as any," Paris said. "I feel good about what has transpired. I wish I would have been at full strength, but, considering the circumstances, that I did the best I could under the circumstances, I feel good about the year."

Paris, in his ninth NFL season, will not be surprised by whatever happens Sunday. The job is his to do, succeed or fail.

"I don't think someone can bring something new to the table," Paris said. "I've been here long enough to see just about all the great rushers and seen what they do."

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the real thing. It's a situation that none of us would ever want to find ourselves in."

There was a slight chance that Robinson would be called to active military duty. He would be assigned to duty in Washington, D.C., Cmdr. Dottie Schmidt said.

A statement by the NBA said the league today "will be seeking additional guidance from the White House and the State Department" on whether to interrupt its schedule.

A nervous, solemn and distracted mood gripped fans and players at the Australian Open as matches began today at the same time American bombers struck Baghdad.

Inside the stadium, fans listened to the reports as they watched

silence. At the Nevada-Boise State game in Idaho, the crowd cheered updates that the American raid had been successful.

In Annapolis, Md., the crowd at the Navy-Richmond game was told at halftime that U.S. fighters had attacked Iraq. About 40 percent of the fans went home at that point.

"The game matters to us, but the big thing for us now is what's going on over there," Navy player Eric Harris said after an 83-82 loss.

The U.S. Naval Academy will review the situation to determine whether to continue the basketball season, athletic director Jack Lengyel said.

"(Canceling the season) is a possibility" only in the event of a crisis situation that put the academy or midshipmen in jeopardy, Lengyel said.

Army was playing at Lafayette when news of the attack spread. There was no announcement of war, however.

Fans at the Carrier Dome were told about the outbreak during No. 8 Syracuse's 81-79 overtime victory over No. 13 Connecticut.

"If somebody told me we're not going to play basketball the rest of

the year, and you're not going to coach, we're going to work in the factories, we're going to do whatever it takes to get done, that's what I'd do," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said. "And, I'd be happy to do it."

Auburn coach Tommy Joe, Eagles said the games should go on.

"I believe we ought to go ahead with our normal daily lives," Eagles said before an 80-59 loss to Vanderbilt. "We have to continue to pursue our daily routine. If we

disrupt that routine, it's almost like a victory for Iraq ... being able to hold us hostage in our own homeland."

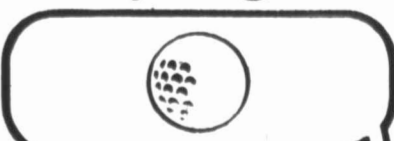
But South Carolina guard Barry Manning, who has four cousins in the Persian Gulf, thought Wednesday night's game against Virginia Tech should have been called off.

"We're out there running up and down the court feeling free, and they're over there defending our country. It makes you kind of feel guilty," Manning said after No. 22 South Carolina's 83-67 victory.

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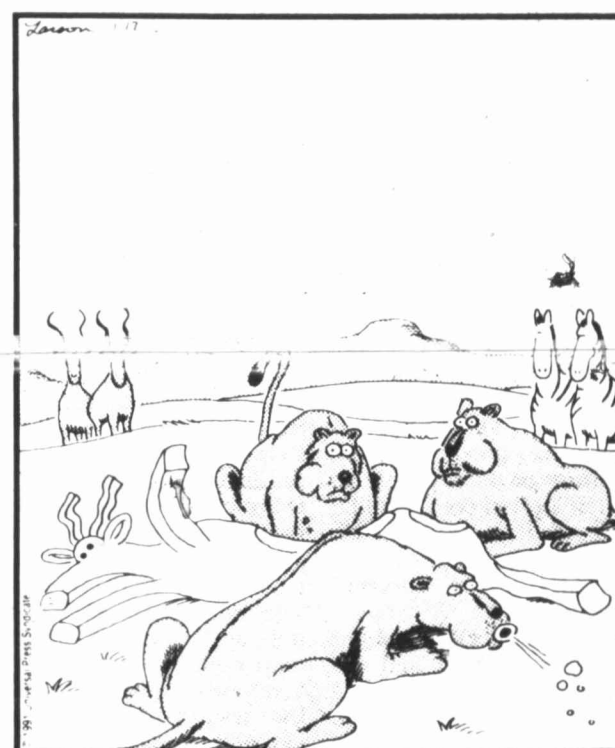
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Lodges 686

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The Commissioners' Court of Glascock County in regular session, February 11, 1991 at 10:00 a.m., will receive bids for two depository contracts of county funds for the years of 1991 and 1992. The bid should include all county funds and trust funds as provided by law.

The Court may reject any or all bids submitted. For more information, contact W.E. Bednar, Glascock County Judge Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

VEHICLE PARKING. An ordinance regulating the parking of vehicles within designated areas inside the City of Coahoma, Texas.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COAHOMA, TEXAS:

SECTION I: No person shall stand or park a vehicle in a road way other than Angle Parking located in the direction of traffic within the areas that are designated as Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this ordinance for all purposes.

SECTION II: Persons violating any provision of this ordinance may be fined \$25.00. Each violation shall be considered a separate offense.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a meeting of the City Council of the CITY OF COAHOMA, TEXAS, this 11th day of December, 1990.

Eleanor Garrett
MAYOR

ATTEST:
Ginger Metcalf
CITY SECRETARY

7060 January 17, 1991

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7059 January 17, 18 & 20, 1991

Ellis' rebound saves Syracuse

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

David Johnson was the hero for Syracuse in its last victory with a rebound basket. This time it was his miss which was put in by LeRon Ellis that gave the eighth-ranked Orangemen a chance at victory.

Syracuse (15-2, 3-2) won its second Big East game in a row after dropping two straight with the 81-79 overtime victory over No. 13 Connecticut on Wednesday night.

Johnson came up with the winning hoop against Seton Hall last weekend when he rebounded his own missed free throw with seconds to play.

The scenario was different, but the result the same as regulation time wound down against the Huskies (12-3, 3-2), who lost their second straight conference game.

In other games involving ranked teams on Wednesday, it was Stanford 89, No. 7 UCLA 82; No. 9 Kentucky 95, Mississippi 85; No. 12 Duke 83, Citadel 50; No. 14 Virginia 76, Maryland 62; and No. 22 South Carolina 83, Virginia Tech 67.

North Carolina State's game at No. 5 North Carolina was postponed about 30 minutes before tipoff because of the developments in the Persian Gulf.

Chris Smith had given Connecticut a 71-69 lead with 12 seconds left in regulation with a 3-pointer. Syracuse called a timeout and then Johnson drove the length of the court for a shot which missed, but the rebound was slammed home by Ellis.

Johnson Pelphrey scored a career-high 20 points in the second half. The Wildcats (13-2, 5-0) remained the only unbeaten team in the Southeastern Conference.

Pelphrey, who led five Wildcats in double figures, was 8-for-16 from the field, including 6-for-9 from 3-point range. Kentucky led 49-35 at halftime and turned it into a 63-47 lead with 11:41 remaining.

The Rebels (6-8, 0-5), who were led by Joe Harvell's 21 points, then went on a 9-2 run to cut the lead under 10 for the first time in the second half, but never got closer than eight points.

No. 12 Duke 83, Citadel 50 Christian Laettner had 18 points and eight rebounds as the visiting Blue Devils (14-3) sent the Bulldogs (2-10) to their seventh straight loss. Duke led by 16 points at halftime and stretched the advantage to as much as 33. Ted Mosagay led the Bulldogs with 19 points, while Scott VanSchaardenburg had a school-record eight blocked shots.

No. 14 Virginia 76, Maryland 62 Virginia held the Terrapins to 28 points in the second half — nine in the first 12 minutes — as it won for the ninth time in 10 games and improved its road record to 8-1. Bryant Stith led the Cavaliers (11-3, 3-1) to the Atlantic Coast Conference win with 16 points, six in the 18-6 run which started the second half. Matt Roe's 16 points led Maryland (8-7, 1-4), which was playing its first game without injured leading scorer and playmaker Walt Williams.

No. 22 South Carolina 83, Virginia Tech 67 The Gamecocks (13-3, 3-1) took control of the Metro Conference matchup with a 10-1 run midway through the second half. Jeff Roulston had four points and a steal in the spurt, which gave the home team a 60-55 lead with 7:06 remaining. The Gamecocks, who entered the game shooting just 59.1 percent from the free throw line, made 13 of 16 in the final 3:09 to seal the victory. Antony Moses led the Hokies (7-6, 1-3) with a career-high 29 points.

North Carolina State at No. 5 North Carolina, p.p.d. University of North

HOME 106 2:00 GUEST 93 SCOREBOARD

NBA Standings

Table with columns for team, W, L, Pct., GB. Divisions include Atlantic, Central, Western, Midwest, and Pacific.

Washington 20, Philadelphia 6 Miami 17, Kansas City 16 Sunday, Jan. 6

Second Round Saturday, Jan. 12 Buffalo 44, Miami 34

Conference Championships Sunday, Jan. 20 Los Angeles Raiders at Buffalo, 12:30 p.m.

Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 27 At Tampa, Fla. AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 6:18 p.m.

Pro Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3 At Honolulu AFC vs. NFC

Thursday's Games Los Angeles at Boston, 7:35 p.m. Edmonton at N.Y. Islanders, 7:35 p.m.

College Scores

Albright 58, Wilkes 53 American U. 87, William & Mary 70 Army 64, Lafayette 57

NHL Standings

Table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA. Divisions include Patrick, Adams, Norris, and Campbell.

NFL Playoffs

All Times EST First Round Saturday, Jan. 5

N. Carolina St. at North Carolina, ppd., war Pfeiffer 97, Pembroke St. 88 Presbyterian 78, Wingate 63

Albion 76, Adrian 62 Alma 81, Olivet 79 Aquinas 81, Siena Heights 79

Transactions BASEBALL CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to buy...

NBA Today

Friday, Jan. 18 SCOREBOARD Chicago at Atlanta (8 p.m. EST). This matchup used to be looked forward to as a showdown between high-flying superstars...

STARS Wednesday Tim Hardaway, Warriors, scored a career-high 37 points and added 10 assists as Golden State ended Boston's 18-game home winning streak...

FOOTBALL World League of American Football MONTREAL MACHINE—Named Gordon Cahill general manager; Jacques Dusault coach...

STATS Boston is 3-2 since Larry Bird was sidelined with a back injury.

SWINGS New York equaled its home loss total of all last season on Wednesday when it dropped a 93-89 decision to Minnesota for its 12th loss in 20 contests at Madison Square Garden.

STRIPES Minnesota made only 6 of 13 free throws (46.2 percent) Wednesday, but beat New York anyway, 93-89. ... San Antonio attempted 38 free throws, 26 more than visiting Dallas, and outscored the Mavericks 27-9 from the foul line in its 100-94 victory. ... The LA Clippers missed 14 of 31 free throws in their 101-99 loss to Washington, with starting frontliners Ken Norman, Charles Smith and Benoit Benjamin each missing three times.

SOCCER Major Soccer League CLEVELAND CRUNCH—Reinstated Mike Sweeney, midfielder, following a four-week suspension.

COLLEGE AUSTIN PEAY—Named Vince Hoch defensive coordinator; Danny Palmer recruiting coordinator and Ben Peltor offensive line coach. Retained Ken Matous offensive coordinator.

MD.-BALTIMORE COUNTY—Announced Mark Bogosh, center, has left the basketball team.

NOTRE DAME—Announced that LaPhonso Ellis, forward, is academically ineligible to play basketball for the rest of the season.

WOFFORD—Named Billy Taylor linebackers coach.

STEEPIN' OUT Reggie Miller of Indiana made 4 of 10 3-point shots Wednesday in the Pacers' 124-119 loss at Milwaukee. ... Kiki Vandeweghe of New York was 5-for-8 from behind the arc in the Knicks' loss to Minnesota.

SWEPPING THE GLASS Terry Catledge of Orlando played all 48 minutes and grabbed 18 rebounds Wednesday in the Magic's 99-88 loss to Chicago. ... Charles Oakley of New York pulled down 19 boards in the Knicks' 93-89 loss to Minnesota.

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Names in the news

Alimony not increased

NEW YORK (AP) — Johnny Carson doesn't have to increase the \$13,500 a year alimony he gives his first wife, a judge has ruled.

Even if Joan "Jody" Carson were about to go on welfare, she wouldn't be entitled to more money from the multimillionaire talk show host because she has remarried, State Supreme Court Justice Phyllis Gangel-Jacob ruled Tuesday.

The couple divorced about 30 years ago.



JOHNNY CARSON

Ms. Carson receives \$13,500 annually through an agreement she and her former husband signed in the 1960s and modified in 1970.

In her petition, Ms. Carson asked the court to increase her payments to \$112,000, saying the current payments did not allow her to live with dignity.

Roberts forgives assault

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Evangelist Richard Roberts was willing to turn the other cheek when a man hit him in the face during a television rehearsal.

Police were less forgiving and cited Steven W. Rogers for trespassing.

"The fellow started coming toward

him," Culver said Wednesday. "Richard could see he was going to hit him square in the face so he turned his head and was hit in the temple."

Media influence urged

WASHINGTON (AP) — Actress Valerie Harper told a Senate panel she would like the news media and Congress to use their influence to help eliminate hunger among American children.

"We need to use the media to get people communicating with the House and the Senate," Miss Harper told the Senate subcommittee on children, family, drugs and alcoholism on Wednesday.

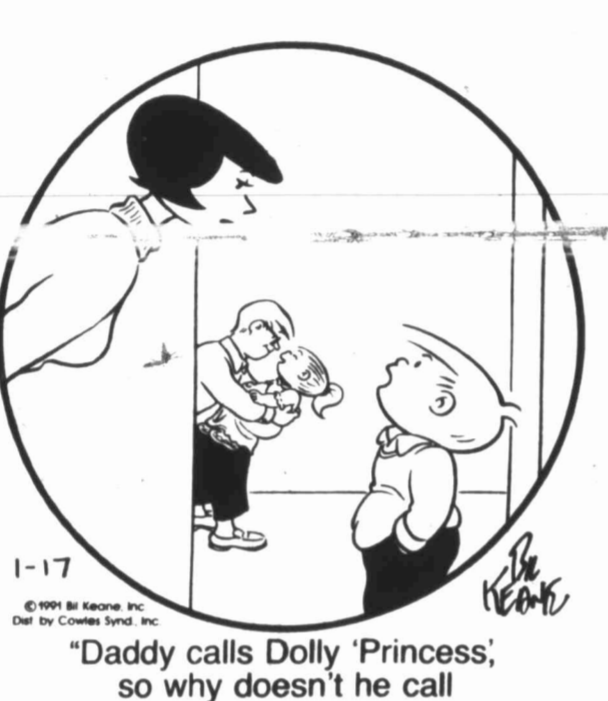
She has long been active on children's rights issues.

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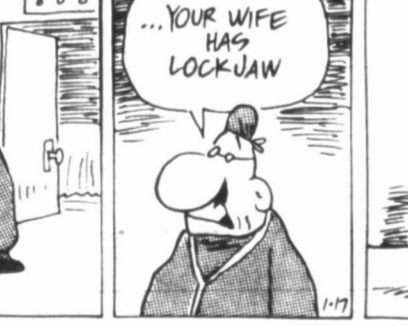


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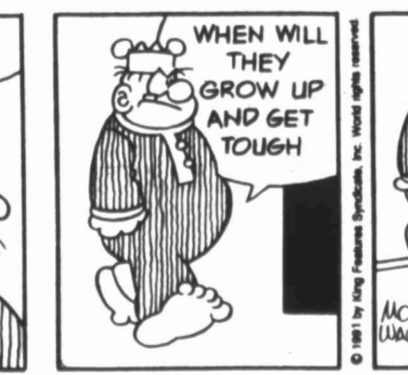
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Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE:

You thrive on competition and controversy. A personal decision you make in February will have far-reaching results. New unions will be forged in March and April. Count on your social life to accelerate greatly by May. Conquer a tendency to procrastinate and your career will take a quantum leap next August. Your ability to solve a domestic crisis in November will salvage an important relationship. December will bring long-awaited professional recognition!

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You receive unexpected good news. Your relationship with a co-worker fluctuates. Putting in longer hours fattens your paycheck, but may jeopardize domestic harmony. Strike a better balance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A close relationship intensifies; two minds think as one. You sense what will happen next. Now is the time to

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make important connections. Do not take romantic partner for granted.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Self-reliance gives you the edge. A meaningful gesture helps you win back a friend. Heed your instincts tonight. Bowing out of a social event could be a smart move.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A major purchase could have drawbacks. Bow to the feelings of an authority figure. Keep a low profile and protect your reputation. A romantic encounter is best postponed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Meetings with the top brass could lead to progress. Good fortune lies in new business undertakings, especially those involving overseas clients. A personal relationship is tested.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): During an enlightening discussion, you express yourself well. Do not be disturbed if someone disagrees with your conclusions. Time will prove you right! Donate to charity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Big things are developing on the work front. Be alert for a chance to join forces with someone powerful. Real estate is a sound investment now. Greater give-and-take will improve

romance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your presence is in great demand today. A wish comes true, thanks to close friends or sympathetic higher-ups. A personal relationship will benefit from your being more nurturing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A snazzy new outfit may be what you need today. Happily, you enter a period of increased prosperity! Do not be afraid to take some risks. A pet project gets the green light.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Success will come quicker if you are not too aggressive. Let others show their hands first. Although you may not realize it, there is much at stake. Play your cards close to your vest.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Get on the inside track by talking with VIPs. A savvy question will help you score important points. Conduct your own research and you will know when to make your move. Socialize tonight.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Do not get left out of the shuffle at work. Speak up if you want something! A very talented individual wants to be on your team. Welcome this person with open arms.

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Bush: Initial phase a success

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush called the initial phase of the Persian Gulf war a success today, and his top military adviser warned Iraq that the air strikes were the first phase of a battle plan that includes "all the tools in the tool box."

"I think it is fair to say that we are pleased at the way things have gone so far," commented Bush as he opened a meeting with congressional leaders. "We are determined to finish what we have set out to do."

At a Pentagon news conference, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney cautioned against premature claims of victory.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said there soon would be movement of allied ground forces being repositioned for an assault on Iraqi troops entrenched in Kuwait.

He said the Iraqi military "should get greatly concerned about our ability not just to use one tool, but to use all the tools in the tool box that we brought to this effort."

After meeting with Bush, congressional leaders predicted swift adoption of a resolution backing U.S. military forces.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said Congress "has formed total ranks behind our armed forces."

While saying that the operation was "going very well," Cheney emphasized that "it is important for everyone to be careful about claiming victory or making assumptions about the ultimate cost of this (operation)."

"So far, so good," he said. After meeting with congressional leaders, Bush and most top officials of his administration attended a prayer service at Fort Myer that was arranged by evangelist Billy Graham.

Pressed for further comment on the military strikes, Bush said, "I will not be commenting on the ups and downs, and there will be downs, or the traumas of the moment."

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said that in a morning telephone conversation with British Prime Minister John Major, Bush expressed his pleasure that the air attacks were largely limited to military targets.

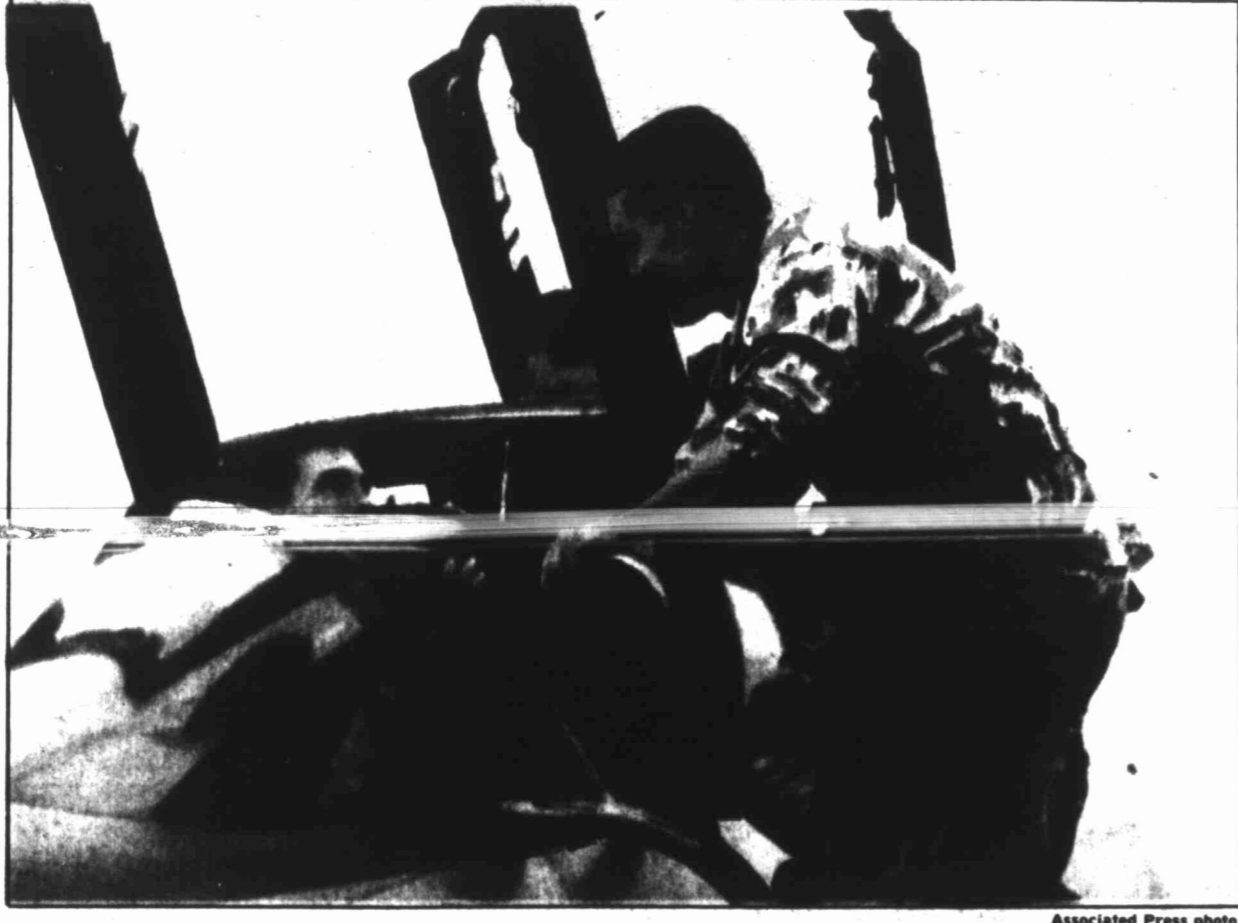
The press secretary quoted the president as saying that "it appears the precision bombing was successful as much as possible."

"The president said this morning that he had agonized over the possible loss of life and he was gratified that casualties are apparently few," Fitzwater said.

Is the war over, Fitzwater was asked. "No," he replied. In a sober speech to the nation Wednesday night, Bush said "the world could wait no longer" to expel Saddam Hussein's forces from Kuwait. He held out hope for a short war with little bloodshed.

"Our goal is not the conquest of Iraq. It is the liberation of Kuwait," Bush grimly told the nation in a nationally broadcast address from the Oval Office.

He pledged to expel Iraq from Kuwait and to destroy Baghdad's vast military arsenal, including its nuclear bomb laboratories, chemical weapons facilities and much of its artillery and tanks.



ON THE PERSIAN GULF — The pilot of an F4 Phantom fighter-bomber is welcomed back to base Thursday morning by a member of the ground crew. Planes from the Persian Gulf air base were involved in bombing raids against Iraq early Thursday.

Allies strike hard and fast

CENTRAL SAUDI ARABIA (AP) — The United States and its allies followed up devastating pre-dawn air strikes with daylight attacks today in a furious bid to drive Saddam Hussein's armies from Kuwait and break his military might.

American military officials said the Iraqis offered minimal resistance, and that U.S. fighter-bombers would keep pounding away to prevent Saddam from marshalling his forces.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said at a morning Pentagon briefing that one U.S. and one British aircraft had been lost.

The American plane was an F-18 Hornet fighter-bomber, and Cheney said the pilot was the first American combat death in Operation Desert Storm.

Britain said one of its Tornado fighter-bombers was lost, with its two crewmen missing. France said four of its planes were hit and one pilot wounded.

Baghdad radio claimed Iraqi anti-aircraft units shot down 14 attacking warplanes, but several American officials called the claim an exaggeration.

Cheney said U.S. and allied planes flew 1,000 sorties. Early targets in the raids on Iraq and occupied Kuwait included military bases and command and control centers. There was no way to assess civilian or military casualties, nor the extent of damage.

Cheney described the initial phase of the war as "so far, so good." But he cautioned against early assumptions of victory, saying: "There have been casualties and there are likely to be more casualties."

At the White House, President Bush declared the wave of air strikes against Iraqi forces "successful as much as possible."

"I think all of us are very pleased that so far, the operation is going forward with great success," he said.

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Abilene firm receives contract for graders

By MARCELLINO CHAVEZ
Staff Writer

Martin County Commissioners met in regular session Monday to discuss the acquisition of two motor graders for the county, along with other business on the agenda.

West Texas Equipment Company of Abilene and Air Master Equipment Corporation of Odessa submitted bids for the motor graders, and West Texas was awarded the contract on the basis of its bid totalling \$171,410.

The vote was not unanimous. Commissioners Ronnie Deatherage and newly-elected Charles McKaskle voted for the West Texas bid, but Precinct one commissioner James Biggs voted against the bid. "I can't see going along with this bid as this time," Biggs said.

Precinct two commissioner Don Tollison was absent because of an illness in the family. The court approved the purchase by a 2-1 vote.

"The people of Martin County voted me in the court because I ran

on the basis that I would do everything I could do to cut unnecessary spending," McKaskle said. "At the end of five years a Caterpillar model will outlast a John Deere. That's one reason. The other is we can save fuel using a Cat. We on the court will have to do anything we can to save, especially now with everything going in the Middle East."

In other court action:

● Repairs on a county maintenance were tabled until County Foreman Eddy Jamison submits a

list of itemized repairs to be performed.

● Discussion on a pipeline crossing the south part of the county also was tabled because of concerns over the pipe's coating.

"The pipeline is not the problem, it's the coating. I feel it's not sufficiently safe, whereas casing the pipeline would probably be the best solution," County Judge Bob Deavenport said.

● The distribution of 1,000 county/city maps will be handled by county and city agencies.

● Theodore Wells, who lives east of the landfill, told to the court that the procedure for keeping rain from flooding into his farmland needed the county's attention. The court discussed the situation, but did not act.

● A pipeline crossing was approved on Section six, Block 34 township north for Scurlock Oil Company.

● The county approved the advertising of bids on the county's

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Bush stakes his presidency on swift victory in Mideast

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON — In the end, it came to George Bush alone to make the judgment unleashing the Desert Storm of war against Iraq, a decision that stakes his presidency on clear and relatively swift victory.

Bush set his course even before the Tuesday midnight use-of-force deadline, deciding a day in advance that U.S. warplanes would strike at Iraqi targets Wednesday night — early Thursday morning in Baghdad.

But as Bush said earlier, the only war was the one that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein launched against Kuwait more than five months ago. Bush's decision was to strike back.

So the U.S. action orders were signed Tuesday afternoon, to be waived only if last-minute diplomacy showed the promise of getting Saddam to surrender from Kuwait. And 19 hours after the withdrawal deadline, the bombs and missiles struck at Iraqi and Kuwaiti targets.

It was the climactic step in a series of moves Bush has ordered since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2: Marshaling support for a United Nations response and later for economic sanctions intended to choke Iraq into withdrawal; ordering U.S. forces into Saudi Arabia, then deciding to double them to a force that might take the offense.

He advised Congress, consulted its leaders, but took the action himself.

It was only last week, with the deadline looming, that Bush decided to ask Congress to authorize the use of U.S. military force against Saddam if all else failed.



GEORGE BUSH

And all else had failed, he said in a somber television report to the nation Wednesday night as American, British, Saudi and Kuwaiti warplanes struck at Iraqi military targets.

"Some may ask, 'Why act now? Why not wait?'" Bush said. "The answer is clear. The world could wait no longer."

Bush stressed that the strikes were by an international force, part of a 28-nation alliance against Iraq. That force, though, is overwhelmingly American.

And it was Bush's administration that put the coalition together, lobbied through the U.N. authorization of force, and got the Jan. 15 deadline set as a compromise.

When each of those steps failed to get Saddam out of Iraq, Bush ordered the attack, saying the Iraqi leader had "tried to make this a dispute between Iraq and the

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United States of America."

But at times it has seemed much more personal than that: Each president has called the other names. Campaigning for Republicans last fall, Bush made Saddam the villain of almost every stump speech, likened him to Adolf Hitler, promised to bring him to heel.

Bush didn't set a time frame, but said he'd told commanders to do what it takes "to prevail as quickly as possible," with the greatest possible protection for American and allied personnel.

For the time being it is an air war, with no word on when, if ever, ground forces may be into action.

In any kind of war, the political leadership of both parties rallies to the cause. Democrats who wanted to wait out the sanctions joined in support of America's fighting forces. Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., said he expects victory within days or weeks.

But Bush also faces the boisterous opposition of a Vietnam-style peace movement. There are anti-war demonstrators on the march in American cities, and a noisy vigil across the street from the White House. Mass marches are planned this Saturday and next.

His policy has majority support in the public opinion polls, but the protests of a mobilized minority became a problem for Vietnam-era presidents, and could again should the desert war drag on.

Eventually, some political figures who favored waiting out the

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Back at base

ON THE PERSIAN GULF — U.S. flight crews arrive back at their air base in the Persian Gulf early Thursday morning following bombing raids against Iraq earlier.

Spring board

How's that?

Q. Does the Department of Veterans Affairs provide life insurance for military personnel, even those going into combat?
 A. Life insurance is available to all members of the military, regardless of where they serve, through the Servicemen's Group Life Insurance program, according to the Department of Veterans Affairs. Coverage is automatic.

Calendar

Game Night

TODAY
 • Senior Citizen Game Night at 6 p.m. at the Depot.
 • Stanton Jr. High 7th grade will participate in the McCamey 7th Grade Tournament.
FRIDAY
 • The Stanton High School band will be sponsoring a Mexican Dish Supper from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the SHS cafeteria. Tickets: Adults — \$3.50 in advance; \$4 at door; Children — \$2.50 in advance; \$3.50 at door. Advance tickets may be purchased from any band member or at the band hall.
 • Martin County Livestock Show at the community center; lambs at 8 a.m.; hogs at 1 p.m.
 • McCamey 7th Grade Tournament continues.
 • Stanton vs Eldorado; home; 5 p.m.
 • GRADY— NO SCHOOL — teacher in-service day.
SATURDAY
 • Martin County Livestock Show; steers at 9 a.m.
 • Martin County Showmanship Banquet at the community center at 7 p.m.
 • McCamey 7th Grade Tournament continues.

Tops on TV

• Top Cops. Kansas City police officers stop the armed hijacking of a commercial airliner by a Haitian demanding transport to Vietnam. 7 p.m. Channel 7.
 • Gabriel's Fire. 8 p.m. Channel 2.
 • Primetime Live. 9 p.m. Channel 2.

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 sanctions would start reminding voters of it. The war worsens the deficit. Should it go on, and send up oil prices, it could deepen a recession Republicans hope will be over well before the 1992 presidential campaign.
 With swift victory, Bush could regain the political standing he held before his budget and tax increase troubles of 1990. A long struggle, with a heavy casualty toll, could cripple him politically.

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 deputy contract.
 • Tollison was selected to serve on the Appraisal District Board.
 • Two computers were approved for purchase from Mita of Odessa for the county clerk office for \$5,362.15. The computers will include a printer for both.
 • Deputy Tax Assessor/Collector Marilyn Hall was re-appointed to her position.
 • The court discussed paying county officials on a salary basis.
 • The county discussed retaining a law firm on the redistricting process. The county was charged to change its old redistricting program, according to Deavenport. "We are the only county in the state to be charged with this," he said.

Isn't it about time we gave Stanton the business?

Stanton Classified

ASSEMBLERS: EXCELLENT income to assemble products from your home. 504-646-1700 Dept. P3757.
HELP WANTED: Martin Co. ASCS Office is seeking an office clerk. Must have some computer experience, some field work will be necessary, farm experience helpful but not required. Applications can be picked up at 107 E. Broadway, Stanton. Candidates will be considered without discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, political affiliation, personal sponsorship, physical or mental handicap, age, marital status or other nonmerit factors. ASCS is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

Cotton supply seen closing in on demand

WASHINGTON (AP) — If the dwindling U.S. cotton supply was a new shirt, it would be short-sleeved, tight around the middle and too small in the collar.
 Last year's harvest is supposed to take care of 1990-91 marketing needs until the new season begins Aug. 1. The Agriculture Department says it'll be a tight squeeze.
 The latest supply and demand projections show that about 2.5 million bales of cotton will be left in the U.S. inventory by Aug. 1, down from 3 million bales last year and more than 7 million on Aug. 1, 1989.
 Production from the 1990 crop is at 15.6 million bales, a 28 percent increase from 1989 and the largest cotton harvest since 1981.
 Rising demand the last couple of years have pulled down the cotton inventory. Total use was about 13.9 million bales in 1988-89 but jumped to more than 16.4 million in 1989-90 as domestic mills and foreign buyers stepped up demands.
 This season's use will be about

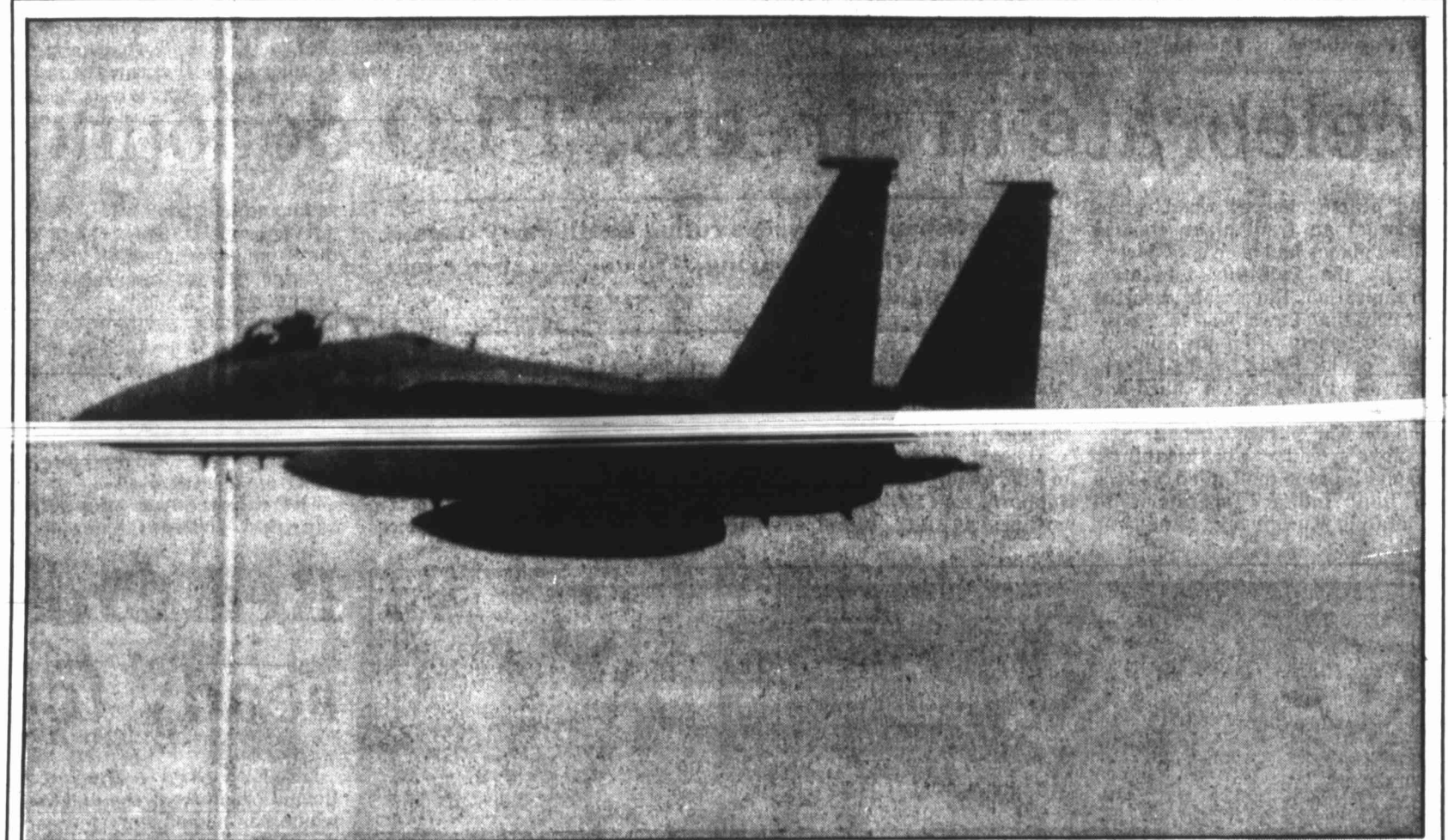
Farm scene

the same at around 16.2 million bales, according to USDA economists.
 In any case, the year-end cotton carryover now projected at 2.5 million bales will be the smallest in 10 years and equal to less than 16 percent of the total amount needed during the year.
 The farm price of cotton has reflected the tight supply and general outlook. In mid-December, upland cotton averaged 67.3 cents per pound, up from 61.9 cents a year earlier.
 A report this week showed the global situation in a similar light — a "close balance" between world production and use.
 Overall, the world output is estimated at 86.9 million bales, up 9 percent from 1989-90. Total use is projected at 86.7 million bales, down only slightly from last year's

record of 87.2 million.
 China is the largest producer at 19.3 million bales, followed by the United States, with its output of 15.6 million bales; the Soviet Union, 12.4 million bales; and Pakistan, 7.03 million.
 Total U.S. consumption of cotton — projected at 16.2 million bales this year — will include about 8.4 million bales for domestic mills, down slightly from 1989-90, and 7.8 million bales as exports, a slight increase.
 WASHINGTON (AP) — Wanted: 100 scientists who are beginning their research careers to work for the Agriculture Department. Salaries negotiable, but in the range of \$31,116 to \$37,294 per year.
 The job offering, an annual quest by USDA to gain help with major research projects, calls for applicants to have doctorates and less than four years of postdoctoral experience. The appointments as research associates will be for as

long as two years.
 R. Dean Plowman, administrator of the department's Agricultural Research Service, said Wednesday that the scientists will work on various projects, including food safety, global change, biological control of crops pests, and genetic engineering of plants.
 The agency's program, in its 11th year, costs about \$4.5 million annually.
 "We have seen some significant developments emerge from this program, including a technique to diagnose trichinosis in swine, a method of estimating the probability of rainfall, and ways to control toxin-producing fungi when crops germinate," Plowman said.
 Applications are being accepted now, he said. Each associate will work on one of 100 projects selected from among 445 proposals submitted by agency scientists.
 Plowman said application forms and descriptions of positions are available from: Nancy L. Bakes,

Personnel Division, USDA-ARS, 6305 Ivy Lane, Room 139, Greenbelt, Md. 20770. Telephone 301-344-2797.
 WASHINGTON (AP) — Milk production last year was estimated by the Agriculture Department at a record 148.6 billion pounds, up 3 percent from 1989.
 The department's Agricultural Statistics Board said Wednesday that production in December in the 21 top dairy states was 10.5 billion pounds, a 4 percent increase from a year earlier.
 If production in the remaining 29 states not included in the monthly survey followed the same pattern, total U.S. milk output last month would be about 12.4 billion pounds.
 Thus, the report said, the annual production was about 148.6 billion pounds, compared with less than 144.3 billion in 1989. The previous high was 145.2 billion pounds in 1988.



Seige continues
 EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA — A U.S. Air Force F-15 fighter, its afterburners ablaze, streaks northward just after sundown Thursday at a Saudi Arabian air base. F-15s and other aircraft have hit targets in Iraq starting in the early morning hours Thursday.

Pulse quickens at fort with war outbreak

FORT HOOD (AP) — At Fort Hood, the first visible sign of war was a military police officer scrambling from the post's main gate, where he was watching TV reporters prepare for evening broadcasts.
 No new security checkpoints were immediately set up and traffic appeared normal.
 Post officials escorted reporters to a press center that had been prepared for the outbreak of hostilities, they had no immediate announcements.
 About 23,000 troops have been sent from Fort Hood to Saudi Arabia. About 16,000 are connected to two tank divisions, the 1st Cavalry and 2nd Armored, that are likely to see some of the first action when ground troops are committed.
 President Bush said ground forces were not engaged in the fighting Wednesday night.
 In Killeen and the towns that surround the nation's largest Army

post, residents said they were saddened by word of the U.S.-led attack on Iraq.
 "I got a lump in my throat and kept thinking back to when my husband left for Vietnam, more than when war started in Vietnam, when it became personal for us," said Mary Gauth, wife of a retired Army officer. "I'm kind of speechless."
 Mrs. Gauth said she had no relatives in the Gulf region, but many friends from Fort Hood are there.
 "I was somewhat saddened by the thought that it had to come to this," said Killeen Mayor Blair. "I still thought there may be something out there that could cause this not to become reality."
 "But from what this person's done, I feel like he has pretty well asked for what it's happen," Blair said.
 The regular Wednesday night dinner was just beginning at First Baptist Church, where 90 members

have been deployed to the Persian Gulf.
 "If it had to be, I guess it was good timing because there was a lot of support for the wives of the loved ones involved," said DiAnn Koehl, wife of the church's senior minister.
 "I think spirits were good," Mrs. Koehl said. "I think people know the source of their strength is from the Lord and they're just depending and leaning on him tonight."
 Mary Feuge, whose husband Dennis is a high-ranking 1st Cavalry officer, said expected the first attack to be carried out by air.
 "For those women whose husbands are flying those planes I can't even begin to imagine how they must feel," Mrs. Feuge said. She said neighbors and friends called her to offer support after hearing of the attack.
 "I just pray it's over with as soon as possible and we can bring all of our soldiers back," Mrs. Feuge said.

The latest wave of troops from Fort Hood left earlier Wednesday. Between 50 and 100 communications specialists of the 142nd Signal Battalion took radio and phone gear on several giant C-5 Galaxy planes.
 Until a few weeks ago, the battalion had been deactivating under a Pentagon order.
 In June, the Pentagon bowed to pressure from Congress to trim a division from Fort Hood, the nation's only Army post with two divisions. Iraq's invasion of Kuwait resulted in the 2nd Armored being put in the curious position of simultaneous deployment and deactivation.
 Some of the battalion's equipment had already been stored when the deployment orders came. 1st Lt. David John, a plane load commander for one of the flights Wednesday, said the hardest part of the deployment was getting back the equipment the battalion had turned in.

List of Texas-based military units in Middle East

- (AP) Here is a list of Texas-based military units that have been deployed to the Middle East. It was not immediately known if any of the units are involved in the air attacks early Thursday in Iraq.
- FULLTIME DUTY**
Army
 An estimated 35,000 active-duty Army personnel have been deployed from the following Texas units:
 1st Cavalry, Fort Hood.
 3rd Signal Brigade, Fort Hood.
 2nd Armored Division, Fort Hood.
 13th Corps Support Command, Fort Hood.
 89th Military Police Brigade, Fort Hood.
 6th Cavalry Brigade Air Combat, Fort Hood.
 504th Military Intelligence Brigade, Fort Hood.
 3rd Armored Cavalry, Fort Bliss.
 70th Ordnance Battalion, Fort Bliss.
 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss.
- Air Force**
 Approximately 2,500 active-duty Air Force personnel have been deployed from the following Texas units:
 67th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Bergstrom AFB.
 602nd Tactical Air Control Group, Bergstrom AFB.
- 712nd Air Support Operability Squadron, Bergstrom AFB.**
602nd Tactical Air Control Center Squadron, Bergstrom AFB.
12th Tactical Intelligence Squadron, Bergstrom AFB.
12th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, Bergstrom AFB.
7th Bomb Wing, Carswell AFB.
R.L. Thompson Strategic Hospital medical staff, Carswell AFB.
16 Strategic Air Command Units from 96th Bombardment Wing, Dyess AFB.
463rd Tactical Airlift Wing, Dyess AFB.
2081st Communications Squadron, Goodfellow AFB.
3495th Technical Training Group, Goodfellow AFB.
Detachment 5 of 1365th Audio-Visual Squadron, Goodfellow AFB.
3490th Technical Training Group, Goodfellow AFB.
Detachment 1 of the Continental Electronics Squadron, Goodfellow AFB.
Army and Air Force Commissary Service, Goodfellow AFB.
3498th Civil Engineer Squadron, Goodfellow AFB.
340th Technical Training Wing, Goodfellow AFB.
3498th Air Base Group, Goodfellow AFB.
3498th Mission Support Squadron, Goodfellow AFB.
2954th Combat Logistics Support Squadron, Kelly AFB.
2851st Air Base Group Security Police Squadron, Kelly AFB.
1827th Electronic Installation Squadron, Kelly AFB.
1923rd Communications Group Air Force News Center, Kelly AFB.
2851st Air Base Group Disaster Preparedness Office, Kelly AFB.
2983rd Distribution Squadron, Kelly AFB.
32nd Aero-Medical Evacuation Medical Group, Kelly AFB.
Detachment 7, 17th Weather Squadron, Kelly AFB.
Elements of Electronic Security Command, Kelly AFB.
Elements of Electronic Warfare Center, Kelly AFB.
Elements of Joint Electronic Warfare Center, Kelly AFB.
3700th Security Police Squadron, Lackland AFB.
3700th Transportation Squadron, Lackland AFB.
1365th Audiovisual Squadron, Lackland AFB.
3700th Air Base Group, Lackland AFB.
3700th Services Squadron, Lackland AFB.
Elements of Wilford Hall Air Force Medical Center, Lackland AFB.
2054th Communications Squadron, Sheppard AFB.
3750th Air Base Group, Sheppard AFB.
3750th Civil Engineers, Sheppard AFB.
3750th Services Squadron, Sheppard AFB.
3790th Medical Service Training Wing, Sheppard AFB.
- RESERVES**
Air Force Reserve
 301st Tactical Fighter Wing, Carswell AFB.
- Army Reserve**
 An estimated 3,900 Army reservists have been deployed from the following units:
 327th Chemical Company, Bay City
 644th Transportation Company, Beaumont
 273rd Medical Detachment, Conroe
 HHC, 383rd Quartermaster Battalion, El Paso
 15th Quartermaster Detachment, Huntsville
 325th Medical Detachment, Mesquite
 786th Medical Detachment, San Antonio
 90th Military History Detachment, San Antonio
 541st Transportation Detachment, San Antonio
 114th Evacuation Hospital, San Antonio
 217th Transportation Control Detachment, San Antonio
 368th Medical Detachment, San Antonio

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 said.
 Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said: "I'm comfortable that we were able to achieve control of Iraqi air space. That's not to say the Iraqi air force has been totally destroyed."
 He would not confirm or deny reports of movement of ground troops.
 In Egypt, government media said today that the crews of 50 Iraqi tanks deserted their positions in Kuwait and were en route to Egyptian military posts in Saudi Arabia to surrender with their tanks.
 Asked if the United States would give Saddam a pause to withdraw from Kuwait following the initial use of allied force, Cheney said: "We've been instructed to execute the plan, carry on these operations until we achieve our objective... to get Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait."
 Saddam survived a night of fire that rained down on his capital. As the misty, smoke-shrouded day dawned in Baghdad, he spat defiance at the allied armies in a radio message from an undisclosed location.
 "The mother of all battles is under way!" proclaimed the Iraqi president, whom a Western journalist saw at Baghdad's broadcast center before the second wave of air strikes.
 But American officials said Iraqi planes had not engaged the allied aircraft in any dogfights. And a threatened strike against Israel never occurred — perhaps, Israeli officials suggested, because the allies knocked out the missiles aimed at the Jewish state.
 The only reported Iraqi offensive strike appeared to have been an artillery attack that set three oil tanks ablaze in northern Saudi Arabia, with no injuries reported.
 "We can put pressure on 24 hours a day," said Col. Hal Hornburg of Dallas, commander of the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing in Saudi Arabia. Sand swirled wildly as fighter jets took off every few seconds.
 A pilot who flew one of the first bombing sorties, Lt. Col. Don Kline, said Iraqi pilots did not engage them. "I was surprised with that," he said.
 The first allied air strike came before dawn, the second about seven hours later. The second-wave attack scored direct hits on the Iraqi Defense Ministry and the post office headquarters, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported.
 U.S. military officials said the targets were strategic sites.
 Powell said the first allied wave met "no air resistance" from Iraq's warplanes.
 He said Iraqi command and control centers were prime targets of the first wave. Bush said chemical and nuclear plants were also targeted.
 Only the United States, Britain, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait participated in the initial attacks, Cheney said, although 28 nations are part of the multinational force confronting Iraq.
 French planes did not take part in the first assault, but a dozen flew in later attacks.

Associated Press photo

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 301 E. 24th St., Big Spring

Nalley-Pickle & Welch
 Funeral Home and Reception Chapel
 906 OREGON
 BIG SPRING
 Mrs. C.E. (Bessie) Suggs, 35, died Monday. Services will be 2:00 P.M. Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.