

# Reagan, O'Neill Hint of Budget Compromise

WASHINGTON (AP) — After nearly two months of stalemate, President Reagan and House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. are hinting at progress in the search for a bipartisan alternative to Reagan's red-ink budget.

"I look forward to progress being made as soon as they (members of Congress) come back from the Easter recess," Reagan told reporters at the White House Monday. "That's why we're negotiating so fast."

The president added that a summit meeting with congressional leaders "will be part of the procedure before we finally arrive at a budget."

White House Chief of Staff

James A. Baker III, White House congressional liaison Kenneth M. Duberstein and key Republicans and Democrats from the House and Senate already have been holding a series of meetings on a possible compromise.

But prior to Monday, Reagan had been consistent in defending the spending plan he submitted to Congress Feb. 8 and insisting that White House aides were attending the private meetings only to listen and report back on congressional options.

On Capitol Hill, O'Neill, D-Mass., told reporters Monday, "There really is a possibility we can work some things out...There is a little progress being made from

what I can gather."

The speaker declined to discuss specifics, but he said that while "the president is still in cement about his tax plan of last year...they're (the administration) offering everything else under the sun."

Asked if he were in a similar, uncompromising position on any subject in the negotiations, O'Neill replied: "At the present time, Social Security."

O'Neill added that Reagan appeared to be "not as hardened on defense as he

was" and there may be some movement on the issue of reducing the president's planned military buildup.

A White House source who asked not to be quoted by name tried to temper Reagan's remarks by saying "no breakthrough is imminent."

The source added that the president's comments should not be interpreted as a call for an immediate summit. "I think all he was saying was before the process is over, there will have to be a meeting of the minds at the

highest level," the source said.

Congressional sources, who also asked to remain anonymous, said the White House and congressional negotiators hope to have a compromise proposal ready in the next several days to

present to Reagan, O'Neill and Senate Majority Leader Howard H. Baker Jr.

Under terms of the private talks, any of the three can veto whatever agreement the negotiators have worked out, although Baker is said to be (See HINT, Page 2)

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## In Wake of Falkland Incident

# Thatcher Refuses to Resign

By The Associated Press

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher today refused to resign over her handling of the Falkland Islands' crisis.

Asked by opposition Labor Party legislator Robert Cryer in the House of Commons whether she was "considering an early resignation" because of Argentina's

seizure of the islands, she declared: "No. Now is the time for strength and resolution."

She also announced a total embargo on the import of Argentine goods effective at midnight tonight.

In Brussels, her government asked the NATO allies to put economic pressure on Argentina, including a ban on arms sales and the withholding of export credits.

Mrs. Thatcher's foreign minister already has resigned, and she had been expected to face calls to quit in the House of Commons and be questioned about intelligence reports received in advance of the Argentine invasion Friday.

Reports in The Times and Daily Telegraph quoted intelligence sources in Buenos Aires as saying Mrs. Thatcher's government knew of an imminent attack on the Falklands in the last week of March "and yet they chose to ignore it totally."

Fears that Mrs. Thatcher might be forced to resign caused panic selling on the London Stock Exchange for the second day.

At one point shares lost nearly \$5.25 billion in value before a midday recovery. Just before the close, the Financial Times industrial index was down 11.5 at 548.4. The British pound fell 2 cents to just under \$1.75, its lowest point since 1977.

Stock values dropped \$4.4 billion Monday, the biggest one-day loss of the year.

The Argentine government flew reinforcements to its invasion force in the Falklands after a British fleet sailed to try to retake the South Atlantic islands and the rich offshore oil fields believed around them.

Three C-130 transports carried more troops, guns and

equipment to the windswept, treeless islands 250 miles east of southern Argentina that the Argentine navy and a force of several thousand troops seized last Friday.

The Argentine public appeared little disturbed by the departure Monday of the first section of a British armada of 40 warships, far stronger than Argentina's entire navy, that is scheduled to reach the Falklands in two weeks.

The British navy also took over Britain's second largest cruise liner, the 43,975-ton Canberra, for use as a troop carrier.

A blackout air raid drill was scheduled Wednesday night in Comodoro Rivadavia, the south Argentine city closest to the Falklands. And red crosses were painted on the roofs of

hospitals there and in other south Argentine ports.

But a secretary at a Middle Eastern embassy in Buenos Aires said Argentine employees laughed when the staff began stockpiling flour, coffee and other staples.

President Reagan again urged Britain and Argentina to settle their dispute without bloodshed, telling reporters in Washington he didn't think control of the islands justified the use of force.

Reagan said the United States is "ready to do anything we can" to help its two friends reach "a peaceful resolution of this with no forceful action or no bloodshed." But he refused to say what he would do if Britain and Argentina went to war.

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cost \$6,840.

An extension for the rate study of Southwestern Public Service was voted by the commission, postponing the deadline for 120 days. The deadline would have been April 18, 30 days from the SPS filing in March.

A zoning change from residential to central business in the 800 block of West Park was denied on recommendation of the zoning commission. The zoning was a heavier zoning than required for the property owner's needs and he was advised to request a different zone change.

Objections to a new building construction in the Bluebonnet addition were dropped from the agenda and approval on plats in South Jackson Acres was tabled.



## Pledging Service

School board election winners Sallie Strain and Bobby Griego were sworn into office by Deaf Smith County Clerk B.F. Cain at a special school board meeting

Monday night. The two were reelected to seats on the HISSD board in Saturday's election. (Brand Photo).

# Mrs. Strain, Griego Take Oaths of Office

Sallie Strain and Bobby Griego were certified as winners in the election for two at-large seats on the Hereford Independent School District Board of Trustees Monday, and the pair were sworn into office.

Mrs. Strain led the three candidates aiming at the two seats. As an incumbent she received 876 votes. Fellow incumbent Griego received 762

votes, while challenger Johnny Frank Gamez received 345 votes in last Saturday's election.

A total of 1,221 votes were cast in the school board election, including 52 absentee ballots.

Deaf Smith County Clerk B.F. Cain administered the oath of office to Mrs. Strain and Griego Monday at a

special school board meeting.

The board also reorganized after the swearing in ceremony: James Gentry was reelected as president of the board, while R.C. Hoelscher was elected vice president. Tom Simons was chosen as board secretary.

Board member Bill Townsend was absent Monday due to a prior commitment.

# S&Ls Record Losses; Unemployment May Rise

By JAMES PELTZ AP Business Writer

High interest rates took a record bite out of savings and loan institutions in the second half of 1981, sending nearly 85 percent of the nation's individual S&Ls into the loss column, the government says.

Losses for about 3,800 federally insured S&Ls totaled \$3.1 billion for the six-month period, more than twice the record \$1.5 billion for the first half of 1981, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board said Monday.

The agency never reported a six-month industrywide loss before 1981 in the four decades it has been keeping such figures.

The main problem for S&Ls is that most have been forced to pay higher interest rates to attract deposits than they have been earning on the home loan payments they take in.

One of the instruments S&Ls offer for deposits are six-month money market certificates. Rates fell on the \$10,000-minimum-deposit certificates Monday. Starting today, banks and S&Ls may pay as much as 13.17 percent interest on the certificates, down from 13.493 percent.

The certificates are pegged to yields on short-term Treasury securities auctioned each Monday, and yields

fell about one-half percentage point at the latest auction. But despite that decline, rates on Treasury bills and other short-term loans have remained stubbornly high.

# Reagan, Brezhnev May Discuss Arms

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan says he hopes to meet with Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev this summer to discuss global reductions in nuclear weapons.

Reaffirming his opinion that the Soviet Union has an edge over the United States in nuclear weaponry, Reagan suggested Monday that he and Brezhnev address a United Nations disarmament conference and meet afterward to discuss "arms reduction" and "arms control."

The president told reporters he was not suggesting "a full-blown summit conference" between the leaders of the two superpowers.

"I think that if he (Brezhnev) is here and we both bring up (arms control), I think it would be well if he and I had a talk," Reagan said.

Meanwhile, Secretary of

State Alexander M. Haig Jr. scheduled a speech today on U.S. nuclear arms policy before the Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies.

The U.N. conference, focusing on what Reagan called "one of the most important things facing us," is to meet between June 7 and July 9 in New York City.

Reagan, who travels to Europe in early June for economic and NATO discussions with U.S. allies, said he plans to address the meeting upon his return.

He said he did not know whether Brezhnev is healthy enough to participate in the U.N. conference, adding, "I hope very much that President Brezhnev will be on hand to address the group."

Brezhnev, 75, who has been widely reported as ailing and likely to be replaced soon as

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# Burglars Hit Stanton Again

Stanton Junior High has been burglarized for the second time within two weeks, the latest with reports of approximately \$930 of audio equipment missing.

Terry Russell, assistant principal, told Hereford police Sunday that a window pane on a southside door was knocked out and that the coke machine had been broken into with an undetermined amount of cash missing.

Fingerprints and photos were taken at the scene. Monday, school authorities added a list of missing audio equipment to the report.

Taken were a Dynaco Pat 4 Pre-amplifier, a BIC turntable, two Southwest Technical Products amplifiers, a set of headphones, a set of patch cords, a set of 20-inch headphone extension cords and a set of 10-inch speakers.

No suspects have been named in the case. Nearly \$250 worth of home video games equipment was reported stolen from a residence. Subjects entered by forcing a garage and back door open.

Police are also checking out the thefts of four hubcaps from Triangle Cars and a Dayton bench model drill from Howard-Gualt, 135 New York. The drill was valued at \$776.

A woman in the 600 block of Blevins reported that an uninvited man came to her home and made sexual advances toward her. The incident is still under investigation.

L&B, 404 E. Seventh,

reported that 12 pieces of jewelry, valued at \$48 was missing from behind the counter.

During the weekend police received reports of a residential window shot, a spare tire stolen from a pickup, a harassing phone call, a dog bite incident, trespassing, vandalism to a car, vandalism to a mailbox, and a family dispute.

A woman who had paid rent to someone she thought was a guest at her landlord's home wasn't able to get a receipt later that week because the landlord never got the money. The "guest" is now a suspect for a break-in which occurred at the landlord's home.

Police arrested Diana Guerrero, 18, for theft of a \$27 pair of sweatpants from TG&Y.

# Bentsen To Visit Thursday

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# Brand Wins Awards

Editor Bob Nigh, Ad Director Gene Bigham and adman-photographer Mauri Montgomery hold plaques which The Brand was awarded Saturday at the Panhandle Press Convention in Amarillo. The Brand took firsts in

advertising initiative and news photos, and a second-place in sports photos. The Brand was runner-up to the Plainview Daily Herald in the number of awards to dailies. Entries were judged by the Nebraska Press Association.

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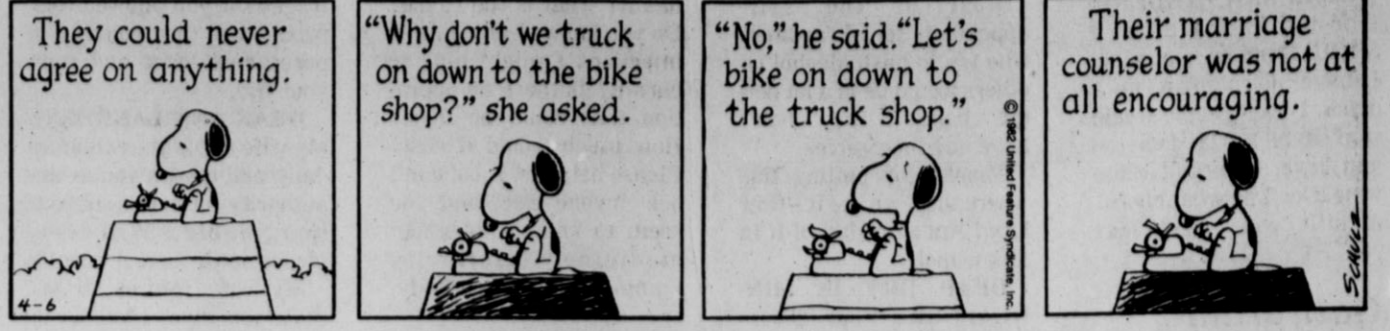






# COMICS

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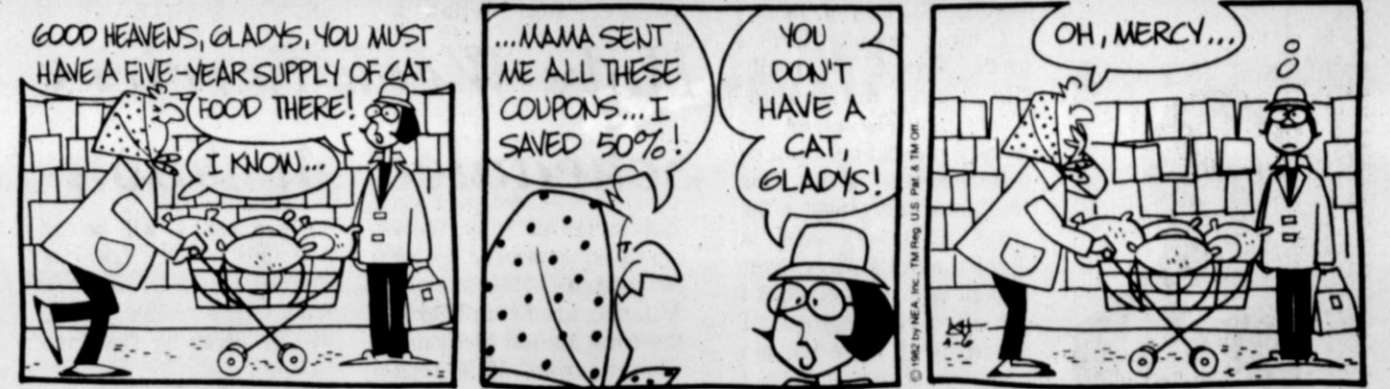


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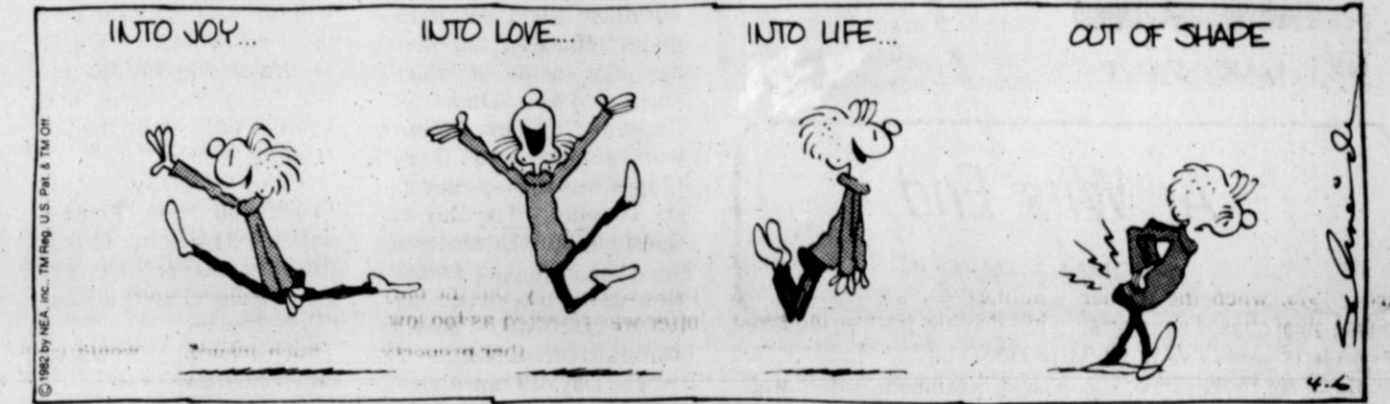
## By Milton Caniff



## THE BORN LOSER by Art Sansom



## EEK & MEEK by Howie Schneider



## FRANK AND ERNEST by Bob Thaves



**ACROSS**

- Evict
- Baseball events
- School organization (abbr.)
- Biblical preposition
- Mormon State (abbr.)
- City of surprise
- Civil disorder
- Roman emperor
- Skillset
- Mechanics study
- Mediterranean island
- Compass point
- Engage in winter sport
- Spice
- Shoulder to shoulder (Fr.)
- CIA predecessor
- Arab country
- Bait
- Gainer
- Wild party
- Through
- Slender

**DOWN**

- Yours and mine
- Whole
- Colonnade
- Walk uncertainly
- Perfume quantity
- American Indians
- Zaps
- Roman bishop
- Which

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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**ACROSS**

- 42 Swelling
- 44 Allow
- 45 Norm
- 46 Swearword
- 49 Dutch Guiana
- 53 Gold (Sp.)
- 54 Mild expletive
- 56 Places
- 57 Time zone (abbr.)
- 58 Villain in "Othello"
- 59 Leases
- 60 Go to court
- 61 Comparative conjunction
- 62 Large board

**DOWN**

- 1 First-rate
- 36 Electric fish
- 19 California county
- 41 Arrange anew
- 43 Bores
- 45 Feign (comp. wd.)
- 24 Musical ending
- 46 Police (colloq.)
- 25 Information bureau (abbr.)
- 47 Hindi dialect
- 26 Invitation response (abbr.)
- 48 Repeating from memory
- 27 Take a chance
- 49 Long tale
- 28 Gullible fellow
- 50 Christmas
- 29 City in Utah
- 51 Official records
- 30 Evening in Italy
- 52 Fog
- 33 Maximum
- 55 Stadium cheer



**ACROSS**

- Flowering shrub
- Portuguese islands
- Works
- Apartment occupant
- Infuses
- Football kick
- Arab garment
- Annuity (abbr.)
- Period
- Ill
- Old English pronoun
- Deposits moisture
- Indian nurse
- Faux pas (pl.)
- Accelerate a motor
- Be ill
- Doctors' group
- Actor Ferrer
- Pretending type
- Scottish girl
- Unemployed
- Sooner state (abbr.)

**DOWN**

- False name
- African land
- Religious office
- Baseballer Gehrig
- Rather than (poetic)
- Analyze ore
- Egyptian deity
- Buddhism
- Scottish type
- Ones (Fr.)
- Privatizer
- Donates

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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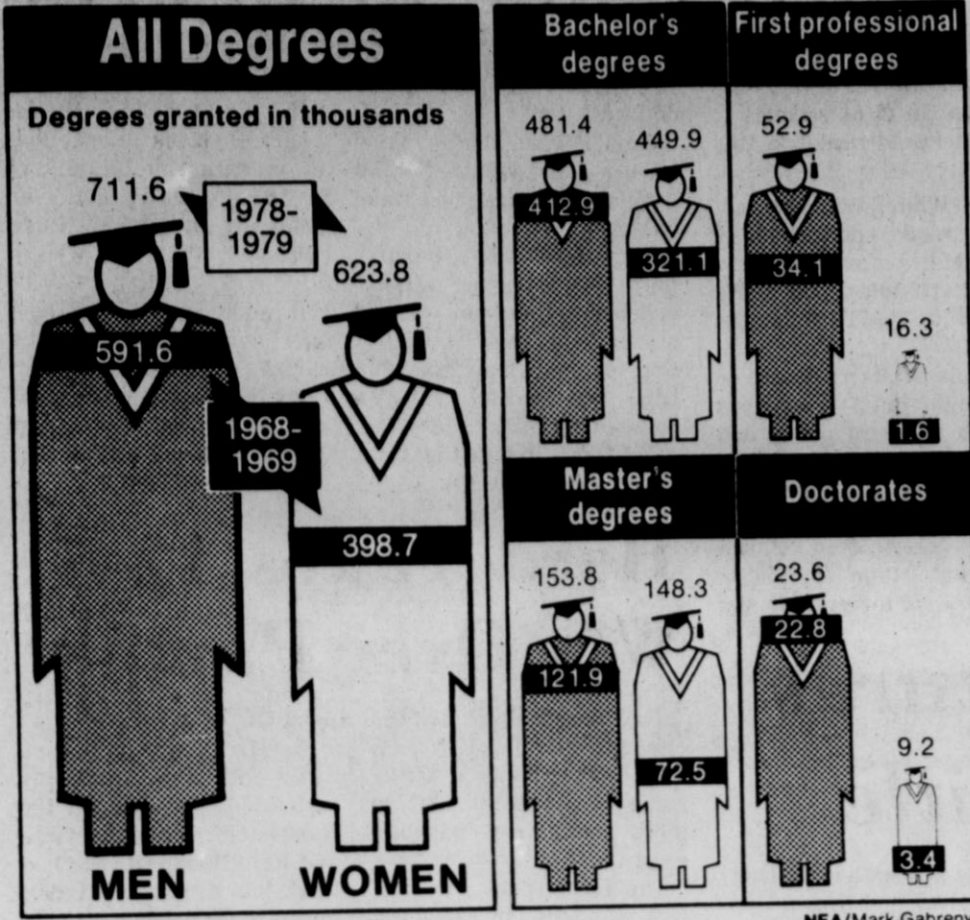
**DOWN**

- Editor's mark (pl.)
- By birth
- Hard handed
- Monetary unit
- Half (prefix)
- Sheep
- Canadian rebel
- Mover's truck
- Cling
- Becomes transparent
- Divine being
- Rationally
- Crooner (pl.)
- Mohammedan religion
- English poet
- City in Yorkshire
- Poems
- Family member
- Evening (poet)
- Hawaiian volcano
- Mauna



# THE EDUCATED WOMAN

## She's Gaining in the Degree Race



While the nation's college-educated population is increasing overall, the women's share of it is increasing fastest in all major categories. A study covering the decade of the '70s shows the numbers of women almost doubling in the category of all degrees, pulling almost even with men in bachelor's degrees and scoring their greatest proportional gain — tenfold — in first professional degrees in such fields as medicine and law. Their gains are likely to accelerate during the '80s. Since 1979, women have outnumbered men in college enrollments.

# Find Could Blow Evolution Theory

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A creationist minister who claims to have found the spot where a dinosaur stepped on a still-wet human footprint has challenged skeptical scientists to join him on his dig.

"Scientists who are interested can examine for themselves while we are excavating June 16," said the Rev. Carl E. Baugh, who holds a doctorate from the California Graduate School of Theology.

"It will be 'high noon,' in a sense, because it will be the moment of truth," he added.

Baugh said Monday that a 12-man team of creationists unearthed four human footprints last month beside those of a dinosaur, disproving Darwin's theory of evolution.

"The implications are stupendous, because evolutionary science holds that the dinosaur and man are sup-

posed to be separated by about 70 million years," he said.

He estimated the prints were made within days of each other 4,800 years ago, late in the fourth week of Noah's flood.

The team, sponsored by the International Baptist College in St. Louis, excavated last month on private property along the Paluxy River about a quarter-mile from the

Dinosaur Valley State Park at Glen Rose, Texas.

"My purpose was to unearth a couple of dinosaur prints," said Baugh. "And we were privileged to unearth 24 of them."

"But on March 19, we came across our first human print."

Baugh said the prints were found underneath four inches of clay and another foot of limestone on a ledge above the riverbed.

announcement.

Similar prints have also been studied by Dr. Juan Langston, a professor of geological studies at the University of Texas at Austin.

"They are just plain wrong," said Langston, adding that there are other explanations for the oblong impressions, including the possibility they were made by an unknown animal.

The Journal of Creation-Evolution recently debunked similar tracks found in the same area.

"We referred to them as the creationist's Pittdown because we think it's a hoax or a mistake," said the journal's editor, Fred Edwards of Buffalo, N.Y.

"Under the circumstances as reported, these may not have been. But a lot of scientists were quite taken in by the Pittdown Man."

A cranium and jawbone supposedly unearthed in Great Britain in 1912 were used to prove the existence of an early man, dubbed the Pittdown Man. But in 1954, tests showed that the cranium was a cleverly disguised modern skull and the jawbone was that of an orang.

"This could not be fabricated," said Baugh. "This is the first excavation verified in progress and verified afterward that places man and the dinosaur together."

# Woman Survives Five Days In Snow; 7th Victim Found

TAHOE CITY, Calif. (AP) — Five days after avalanches smashed down on a ski resort, killing seven people, a gloved hand reached out of the snow where rescuers were digging in a wrecked, snow-packed building.

Anna Maria Conrad, 22, a ski lift operator at Alpine Meadows resort, was suffering from serious frostbite when she was found Monday, and she had a black eye and bruises. But she was very much alive.

"Miracles do really happen," said her father, Gene Conrad, a U.S. Forest Service researcher. He said his daughter looked "fantastic, just absolutely fantastic,

black eye and all."

Miss Conrad, who survived by eating snow, said she heard her rescuers earlier in her captivity and shouted to them, "but they didn't hear me."

"It was frustrating when they left," she said, but "fantastic" to be found.

"It was just total isolation," she said.

Miss Conrad, a recent graduate of the University of California at Davis, was trapped Wednesday in a space about 2 feet high and 5 feet long when snow crashed through the second-story wall of a three-story ski patrol building. The avalanche that hit the building was among several during storms that brought more than 12 feet of new snow to the Lake Tahoe basin, 200 miles east of San Francisco.

Miss Conrad was apparently saved by a bench, which protected her from a wall that was pushed in and over by the snow, said resort spokesman Marshall Lewis.

"I was walking in the locker room," Miss Conrad told reporters. "I didn't know it was an avalanche until today." She said she apparently blacked out for a while.

About 24 hours after the avalanche, rescuers shouted Miss Conrad's name and came near her, said rescuer worker John Kudrna. "We

were three feet from the air pocket" when the search was delayed due to worsening weather and the danger of new avalanches, he said.

Miss Conrad and her boyfriend, Frank Yatesman, 22, of Santa Cruz County, Calif., had gone to the ski patrol building to get their cross-country skis, Lewis said.

Yatesman's body was found earlier in the search. Also killed were Beth Morrow, 22, a ski resort employee; Dr. Leroy Nelson of Eureka and his 11-year-old daughter Lauri; David L. Hahn of Los Altos, and Jeffrey James "Jake" Smith, 27, of the Lake Tahoe area.

The body of Bernie Kingery, a 40-year-old avalanche expert and the last of those listed as missing, was discovered near the ski patrol building.

His body was found about 2½ hours after rescuers, alerted by a search dog, saw Miss Conrad's gloved hand push out from the snow.

"I couldn't believe it," said ski patrolman Gordon Girton, who helped rescue Miss Conrad. "She was smiling and talking to us the whole time. I would say she could have walked out on her own."

About 20 searchers cheered and began hugging each other and jumping up and down, Girton said.

Moslem mathematicians used the cipher, or zero, 200 years before it appeared in 12th century Europe.

# Town On Edge Of Bankruptcy

PAW PAW, W.Va. (AP) — Being the mayor of Paw Paw means everything from chasing stray dogs to cutting the grass at the town cemetery. But David Clark never thought the job would also leave the very survival of the town in his hands.

Perched on the Potomac River where it slices between West Virginia and Maryland, the tiny community is wondering how long it can go on being a town if it can't pay a \$10,500 bill. The bill stems from 1978, when the former police chief chased a motorist who later won a lawsuit against Paw Paw.

While \$10,500 would be the price of a coffee break to a large city, Clark says the bill is likely to break the bank — although as he points out, Paw Paw doesn't even have a bank.

Clark, who was not mayor at the time, said the incident went unnoticed in Paw Paw. Then a year ago, another police officer said he clocked Harbaugh driving above the speed limit on his way through town. Again a chase across the hills ensued with police from West Virginia and Virginia joining in before the driver eluded them.

Clark, who also serves as justice of the peace, found Harbaugh guilty in absentia and notified Virginia authorities, who suspended his driving license for three weeks. Harbaugh responded with a \$1.3 million lawsuit, alleging his constitutional rights had been violated during the first chase.

After a trial in Baltimore, a jury awarded Harbaugh damages and legal costs amounting to \$10,500 — a sum almost half of the town's annual \$25,000 budget. The decision bewilders Clark.

"I didn't feel the town should be held liable for a police officer's actions," he said. "I can't see how the jury found any fault against the town."

Most of Paw Paw's 600 or so residents, according to Clark, didn't know about the case until the town got the bill. In a community where the local tax of a few dollars per family hasn't been raised in 30 years, the sum seemed impossible.

"This is the biggest headache we've had in a long time," Clark said. "I'd been lying if I didn't tell you this hadn't taken something out of me."

Mark Davis, Sherman's lawyer, said his client would not answer any questions about the incident.

The suit is headed back to court because Harbaugh is not satisfied with the award. Clark says the town may end up paying even more.

The problem of footing the bill is frequently mulled over in Jerry Kline's general store, where the shelves are crowded with everything from bacon to aging posters from the Saturday Evening Post.

Kline says no one has yet come up with a solution. "Nobody likes it. Nobody thinks it's fair," he said.

Most of the townspeople, in fact, don't believe Paw Paw should pay up.

"They don't know what they're going to do," said a clerk at the local liquor store. "But everyone says they aren't going to pay."

Instead, people look to Clark for an answer. The mayor, a quiet man, shook his head and said, "I guess they have a lot of faith in me."

Clark said the town tried selling its old pump house to raise the money, but the only offer was rejected as too low. About the only other property Paw Paw has is the cemetery, where Clark and the town commissioners take turns cutting the grass.

The mayor said that a woman in Virginia recently had sent in a contribution to help with the expense and that the money would be deposited in a bank pending the outcome of the second court case. Clark declined to name the lone donor and would not discuss the amount received.

Clark, who is paid \$25 a month, says small towns aren't equipped to deal with such modern problems. People who still nod to strangers on the street find the idea of insurance against lawsuits outlandish, he said.

Such insurance would cost Paw Paw \$1,100, said Clark. "It's almost impossible. But it sure makes you want to scratch hard to come up with the money to guard against this," he said.

# Funerals Scheduled; Cleanup Continues

PARIS, Texas (AP) — Mourners traveled in long processions to pay a final tribute to their dead, while the living toiled to rebuild lifetime's work shattered by the fury of a tornado.

Funerals were held Monday for five of the eight people killed by a tornado that injured at least 200 others, destroyed 480 homes, damaged 397 others so severely they were unfit for habitation and left about 2,700 people homeless.

Services for Judy Harrington, 24, and her 7-week-old son, were scheduled for today. A funeral for the eighth victim, Dorothy Dean, 41, is pending.

"They went out to meet their eternal God in the fury of the tornado which swept through our town," Rev. Charles Cox said at the double service for Ora E. Spangler, 74, and her

daughter Martha Jo Landers, 51.

The minister told mourners the women have "stepped into a world where no sorrow can touch them."

The Rev. Earnest McCool, in his eulogy for Mrs. Landers, said the two women valued friendships and religion.

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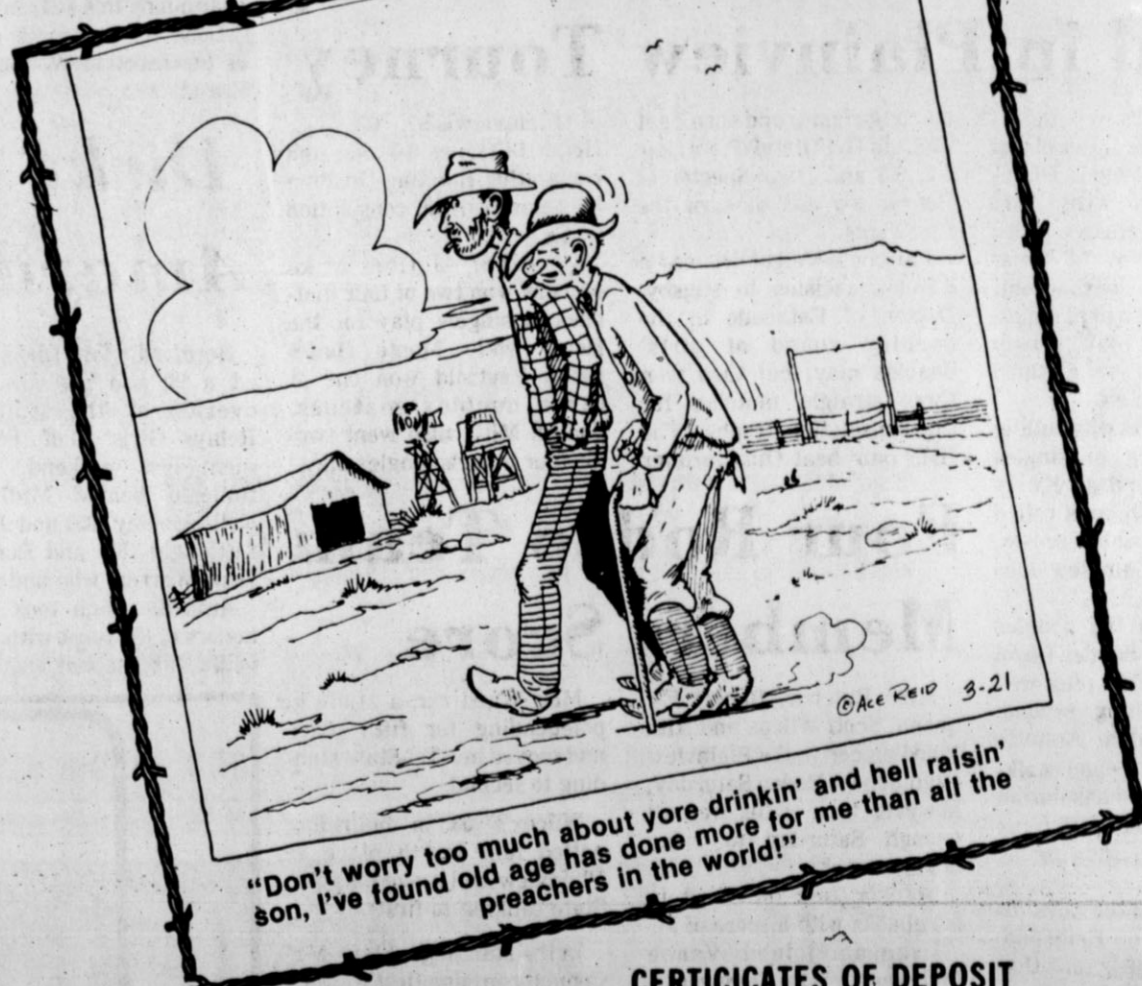
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**Cage Winners**

The Church of Christ team won the YMCA Men's Basketball League title Monday night, going 3-0 in the loop's double-elimination tournament. Members of the winning squad include (front from left) Dean Fox, Dewayne

Davison, Kent Hollingsworth, Dale Hollingsworth, and (back from left) Joe Flood, Dywane Fry, Jerry Morgan, Tommy Howell, and Jackie Mercer.

**Whiteface Fems Make Run at Loop Track Crown in Lubbock Today**

A year ago the Plainview Bulldogs pulled the rug out from under the two-time defending District 4-5A track champion Hereford Whiteface girls by winning the loop meet by a very slim 1/2-point margin. This year the 'Faces, winners of two meets this season and second in another, are aiming at recovering the league crown as the loop girls run the district meet in Lubbock this afternoon and tonight. The Herd has shown amazing depth this year, and coach Martha Emerson thinks this year's edition may be the

strongest ever at HHS. "We may not have the few outstanding girls we've had in the past, but we have a lot of depth," Emerson said on the eve of the meet. "I think we can score in all 15 events." With a stable of fleet springers and good depth in the middle distance events, the Herd looks like the team to beat. Lori Albracht and Paula Mason are coming off titles in the 200 meters and 400 meters respectively last weekend at the Amarillo Relays, and Dana Cabiness leads a horde of HHS 800 and 1600 meter specialists who will be in the think of things at

those distances. Maria Carreon has boosted Herd hopes in the shot put and discus this year, and she has 111-1/2 toss in the discus to her credit. High jumpers Angela White and Jill Pickens will also help out in the field events. Sprint specialists Sandy Brownlow, Dede Dobbins, Jana Morgan and Allyson Thomas also bolster the Herd hopes. The meet today began with field events at noon. Running preliminaries were set to begin at 3 p.m. with the finals set for a 6 p.m. start at the

Coronado high school track. The top two finishers in each event qualify for the Regional meet to be held in Lubbock April 23-24. The state meet is set for May 7-8 in Austin. Stanton Girls Win Clovis Track Meet Due to an unusually heavy amount of sports for today's issue, the Brand will run complete results of the Clovis Jr. High Track Meet in Wednesday's issue. The meet was held last weekend. The Stanton 9th grade girls won that division, making it three meets in-a-row as champions this season. Look for complete results of the meet in Wednesday's Brand.

**Anderson Scores Big Upset**

**Hereford Tennis Teams Cop Third in Plainview Tourney**

Hereford's Donny Anderson pulled off the upset of the season last weekend in Plainview by knocking off previously undefeated Tim Brown of Plainview 7-6, 6-4 at the Plainview Tournament. Anderson went on to place second in singles play to help the Whitefaces to a third place overall finish. While Anderson was pulling off the shocker in singles play, Hereford's Kelly Cassels-Trent Thomas rolled to the boys' doubles crown, defeating two Plainview duos along the way. In girls' play the doubles team of Lisa Snyder-Carol Zinser continued to play well for HHS, finishing second, while teammates Annette LaFuente-Holly Veigel walked away with consolation honors to lead the HHS fems to a third place showing as well. Plainview won the boys' title over runner-up Estacado, while Borger's girls took that team title over Plainview. Anderson took the measure of Borger's Kurt Adamie 7-6, 6-1 in the opening round, and then clipped Estacado's Bobby Green 6-2, 6-2 to set up the match with Brown. The HHS standout then wiped out Brown's 18-0 season mark with the big win. The loss dropped Brown out of the top seed at the District 4-5A Tournament which is being played today at Lubbock. Estacado's Clarence Rigsby won the singles title with a 6-3, 6-2 win over Anderson in the finals. Cassels-Thomas defeated Mims-Rios of Estacado 6-2, 6-3 in their opener, then downed Plainview's Smith-Neely, 6-4, 6-2 and then won the title over the 'Dogs' Sooter-Butler by a 7-5, 6-3 count. Snyder-Zinser rolled into the finals of girls' doubles action, but lost a split-set decision to McCoy-Jack in the finals, 6-0, 4-6, 6-3. The HHS pair clipped Sawyer-Ellis of Shallowater 6-1, 6-0 in the

opening round, and then beat McLain-Griffith of Plainview 6-2, 6-3 and Irwin-Spector of Borger 6-3, 6-2 to earn the finals spot. LaFuente-Veigel dropped a 6-2, 6-2 decision to Rigsby-Dotson of Estacado in the opening round of girls' doubles play, but then won three straight matches for the consolation trophy. The HHS pair beat Otis-Gardner

of Plainview 5-7, 6-2, 6-2; Hofaket-Starnes 6-3, 6-2; and Nazareth's Hoelling-Hoelling by default in the consolation finals. In other action Mike Morgan won two of four matches in singles play for the Herd, while Monte Hutto-Brian Paetzold won one of three doubles matches. Sharon Mitts also went two-for-four in girls singles play.

**Four Rodeo Team Members Score**

Mike Butcher, Robert Esqueda, Scott Wilcox and Rita Ward placed in the Plainview High School Rodeo Saturday, however their skills weren't enough Saturday to bring home a trophy. Butcher tied for third in barebacks with a score of 57. Esqueda joined Vance Molesworth from Canyon and the two cowboys got a second place in team roping with a time of 9.949.

Miss Ward ran a 21.078 in polebending for fifth place and moved her Tri-State standing to second. Wilcox's 53 in bullriding netted him fourth place at Plainview and moved his Tri-State ranking to first. In the standings, Steve McConnell remains first in steer wrestling. The team travels to Stratford this weekend.

**Partnership Golf Winners Named**

A total of 49 teams were entered in the Hereford Scramble Partnership Golf Tournament at the Pitman Municipal Course Saturday and Sunday, with Kyle McElheney and Steve Chambliss copping Championship Flight honors with a 132 total. Larry Reid and Dennis Beebe took second in the top flight, with a 143 while First Flight winners included Tom Simons and Jim Smith (140). Glen Pate-Mike Tuttle won the Second Flight with a 143

total, while Glen White-Bill Eppe were second at 144. Third Flight winners were Fidencio Cantu-Chon Rangel (146), while Benny Sherrod-Tommy Nelson and Mike Stanfield-Kemp Copland tied for second with 147s. Kyle Roach-Steve Smith took Fourth Flight honors with a 151, while Greg Foster-Rick Cunningham were second with a 153. Danny Boyer took Fifth Flight with a 155, while Dave Blackburn-Arthur Clark and Leo Hollowell-J.R. Blackwell tied for second with 159s.

**Mason, Albracht Spark Track Team to Third Place in Relays**

Paula Mason claimed the 400 meter dash, and Lori Albracht blazed to a 200 meter dash victory to lead the Hereford Whiteface girls' track team to a third place finish at the Amarillo Relays Saturday with a total of 75 points. Amarillo High ran away from the rest of the field to claim the team title with 152 points. Tascosa was second with 99 points. Mason won the 400 in a time of 61.48, ahead of Tascosa's Sonya Dreyer. Hereford's Allyson Thomas was third in the race in a time of 61.89.

Albracht cruised the halfmole in 25.64 seconds to take the gold medal in that event. The Whitefaces also got silver medal performances from Maria Carreon in the discus (120-10 1/2), and Kellie Howell in the 1,600 meters (5:47.16). Angela White's 5-0 leap in the high jump was good enough for third place, and her 17.25 in the 100 meter hurdles was also good for third place. The HHS 800 meter relay team placed third in a time of 1:50.20, while the 400 meter relay and

1600 meter relay teams placed fifth. Jana Morgan also gave the Herd a point with a sixth in the 100 meter dash in a time of 12.69. The Herd also finished third in the junior varsity division at the meet with 88 points. Palo Duro had 198 for first place, while Amarillo High was second with 90 points. Olga Alaniz gave the HHS JV a first in the 3,200 meter run (14:02.69), while

the 1600 meter relay team of Sara Martinez, Lisa Hayes, Laurie High, and Angela Roddy was first in a time of 4:23.82, and the JV 400 meter relay team placed third (53.92). In addition, Marty Valdez was second in the 1600 (6:32.72) and third in the 800 (2:14.15), Martinez was second in the 200 (27.87), and Angela Richburg was third in the shot put (28-3 1/2).

**HHS Captures Dumas Title**

The Hereford Whitefaces, continuing to show strength in the hurdle events, raced to the team title at the North Plains Relays at Dumas last weekend with 113 points. Borger was second with 108 points, while Tascosa had 103 for third. Wayne High captured the 110 meter high hurdles in a time of 14.85, and Alfred Ball won the gold in the 300 meter intermediate hurdle event (39.7), to help the Herd to the title. The pair also teamed with Ted Ramirez and Rudy Hernandez to give HHS the 400 meter relay title in a time of 44.01. High was also third in the 330 IH event (41.2), while Grady Brown placed fourth in the 110 HH in a time of 15.55. Fernando Carrasco (4:46.46) and Armando Rodriguez (4:50.22) placed second and third in the 1,600 meter run, while the HHS 1,600 meter relay team was second in a time of 3:29.50. Hernandez placed third in the 100 (11.3), while Ramirez was a bronze medalist in the 400 in a time of 52.6, and Chris Carter was fourth in the 800 (2:06.4).

Ramirez was sixth in the long jump (18-9), and Brown tied for sixth in the high jump (6-0). The Herd will be at the Amarillo Relays Saturday, and then go to Canyon a week later before hosting the District 4-5A meet April 23.

**JV Baseball Team Wipes Out Plainview**

The HHS junior varsity baseball team wiped out Plainview 17-8 Monday afternoon as Gary Ruckman led the Herd showing with an inside-the-park homerun. The win was the second in-a-row for the Whitefaces, who are now 2-4 on the year. Ronnie Collier (five innings) and Stacey Evans put the clamps on the Bulldogs on the mound, with Collier gaining the win. The Herd JV faces Canyon in Canyon at 4 p.m. Friday.

**Bodner Wins 7th Grade Tennis Title**

Jason Bodner of Hereford claimed the C Division singles championship in the 7th grade level of the Lubbock Junior High Spring Invitational Tennis Tournament last Saturday. The tournament attracted young netters from across the area.

**Dirks Fourth In Amarillo Tourney**

Hereford's Tiffi Dirks carded a 90 and placed fourth overall at the Amarillo Relays Girls' Golf Tournament last weekend. Dirks finished behind Midland's Kelle Mobley (85) and Janice Littlefield (87) and Borger's Dene Warren, who had an 89. Amarillo High took team honors at the meet with a 410, while Tascosa was second at

416, and Canyon third with a 419. Hereford didn't have a team in the race, but Dirks and Kelley Williams (119) played as individuals. In the small school division Guymon, Okla. placed first with a 439 total, with Panhandle second at 453, one shot ahead of third-place Memphis (454).

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**Herd Takes 12-5 Win Over Pampa**

The Hereford Whitefaces clipped Pampa 12-5 last Saturday to break a three-game losing streak and up their non-district baseball record to 9-5. The Herd opened District 4-5A play today at Plainview in a doubleheader which began at 2:30 p.m. Trailing 4-2 after five innings Saturday, the Whitefaces exploded for three runs in the sixth and added seven more in the seventh to roll to the win. Second baseman Mike Hill led the way with two hits and a pair of RBIs during the contest, while solo RBIs were recorded by Ken Cosper, Matt Collier, Don Delozier, Raymond Martinez, Mark Collier, and Brian Taylor.

The next home appearance for the varsity is Saturday in a loop twinbill beginning at 1 p.m. at Whiteface Field. point during the year. The Hereford JV also came away with a win Saturday with a 13-12 decision over the Harvesters. Charles White and Keith Birdwell each had three hits for the Herd, and each had three RBIs.

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### Taking A Break

Hereford High School FCA members take a break with about an hour to go in their basketball marathon Sunday. The athletes

raced up and down the court for some eight hours in a benefit game. (Brand Photo).

## FCA Cage Marathon Benefits Cancer Victim

The Hereford High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) chapter had a bunch of tired members Sunday evening after some eight hours of basketball in a cage marathon held at the La Plata Jr. High School gym.

A group of 25 FCA members made it through the ordeal, which was held to benefit a local cancer patient. FCA sponsors Danny Haney and Randy Poole acted as "officials" for the game, which was won by the White

team by a 569-492 count over the maroon.

The players earned donations by points scored in the game. Leading the White team were Bruce Clarke and Brenda Straffuss with 84 and 69 points respectively. Alan Wartes (97) and Lori Albracht (85) topped the Maroon charge.

Haney said it will be several days before the exact amount of money raised can be determined.

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## Cold Weather Delays Some Opening Games

# Cubs, Orioles Win Openers

By JOHN NELSON AP Sports Writer

The 1982 major league baseball season, free of any strike threat for the first time

in four years, remains literally under a cloud that threatens to turn the nation's pastime into a winter sport.

Four of the 10 openers

scheduled for today were postponed by the threat of unseasonably cold weather and snow. Several other games were endangered by a cold snap that gripped the nation.

The season began Monday afternoon in Baltimore and Cincinnati. The Orioles defeated Kansas City 13-5 and the Reds succumbed by a 3-2 score to the Chicago Cubs in a game shortened to eight innings by rain.

umpires' union, Richie Phillips, said major league umpires had signed a four-year contract that represented an average salary increase of 60 percent.

"The terms of this contract reflect recognition of the contributions umpires make to this great game," Phillips said in New York.

Under the agreement, top salary for an umpire was increased from \$50,000 to \$75,000. In addition, league presidents now will have the right to assign umpires to the playoffs and World Series on a merit basis rather than on simple rotation.

"We have the best umpires and now we will have the best of the best working the special events," Phillips said.

The umpires struck in 1979, the players threatened to strike in 1980 and did walk out last season.

On Monday, the Orioles got the season off to a sizzling start despite temperatures in the middle-40s. Eddie Murray hit a grand slam homer and Cal Ripken, Dan Ford and Gary Roenicke added home runs as Baltimore set opening-day records for homers and runs.

Frank White and George Brett homered for Kansas City.

"It's unbelievable," Baltimore Manager Earl Weaver said. "We had a one-runner, a two-runner, a three-runner and a four-runner."

The game drew a regular-season record crowd of 52,034, including Commissioner Bowie Kuhn.

Snow was forecast for the Cubs-Reds game, and the temperature was 42 degrees

at game-time. The snow held off, but the 51,864 at Riverfront Stadium sat through rain delays of 46 and 51 minutes before the game was called after eight innings.

Keith Moreland and Bump Wills, a couple of newcomers to the Cubs, each homered, and Moreland singled in the eventual winning run in the eighth inning. Moreland was acquired from Philadelphia, where Cubs General Manager Dallas Green and Manager Lee Elia spent the previous season, and Wills came over from Texas.

Doug Bird pitched seven strong innings for Chicago, yielding five hits and one run.

"It's not last year's club," Wills said of the rebuilding Cubs. "We've got new personnel, new front office people, a new direction. I'm as excited as heck about hitting that home run. It probably was the highlight of my major league career."

MONTREAL (AP) — Centers Peter Stastny of the Quebec Nordiques and rookie Barry Pederson of the Boston Bruins were named as co-winners of the Player-of-the-Week award for the period ending Sunday, the NHL announced.

INCLINE VILLAGE, Nev. (AP) — Tamara McKinney, a member of America's World Cup skiing team, beat teammate Abbi Fisher by a 1 1/2-second margin to capture the women's slalom title at the U.S. Alpine Championships.

McKinney had a combined time of 89.91 seconds, while Fisher was second at 91.58.

## Tiffi Dirks Captures District Golf Crown

Tiffi Dirks shot an 89 during the final of four District 4-5A girls' golf rounds Monday to claim the individual medalist championship by 24 strokes. Dirks finished with a 358 total, far ahead of runner-up Shae Patterson of Plainview, who had a 382.

Rounding out the All-District golf team were Plain-

view's Susan Bryan (389) and Coronado's Carla Kimmel (392) and Katie Crump (398).

Kelley Williams of Hereford carded a 102 Monday to wind up with a 449 total in district play.

Dirks will play in the regional tournament April 23-24 at the Meadowbrook course in Lubbock.

## Sampson Named Top Basketballer

SALISBURY, N.C. (AP) — The Los Angeles Athletic Club has voted Virginia's 7-foot-4 All-American Ralph Sampson as this year's John Wooden Award winner, given annually to its college basketball player of the year.

Others receiving awards Monday night were Will Grimsley of The Associated Press, who won his third straight national sportswriters' award, and NBC's Dick Enberg, who won the national sportscasters' award for the fourth time.

Ray Scott, the television voice of Penn State University football and basketball network and a play-by-play announcer for the Minnesota Vikings, was inducted into the National Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association Hall of Fame.

Sampson, a junior, is the first non-senior to win the award in its six-year history. He could not attend the ceremony because his plane was grounded by bad weather in Charlottesville, Va.

The prize is named for retired UCLA basketball Coach John Wooden who guided his teams to 10 national basketball championships.

Other winners have been UCLA's Marques Johnson, North Carolina's Phil Ford, Indiana State's Larry Bird, Darrell Griffith of Louisville and Danny Ainge of Brigham Young.

Sampson has scored 1,599 points in three years and has led Virginia to NCAA playoff berths the past two years, including the Final Four in 1981 where the Cavaliers lost to North Carolina in the semifinals.

This year, Sampson averaged 15.8 points, 11.4 rebounds and blocked 99 shots while leading his club to a 30-4 record. The Cavaliers were eliminated by Alabama-Birmingham in the NCAA tournament's Mideast Finals.

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## Baseball Umpires Agree To New 4-Year Contract

NEW YORK (AP) — The only strikes the umpires will be calling this season will be on the batters in front of them.

Just a few hours before the call of "Play ball!" was heard Monday in Baltimore and Cincinnati, the Major League umpires' union and the American and National leagues agreed on a new four-year contract which, according to union attorney Richie Phillips, "places umpires in the top one percent of all salaried employees in this country."

The minimum annual salary, \$18,000 under the old contract, is now \$26,000 and the maximum, previously \$50,000, is \$75,000.

The agreement also will permit the league presidents — Lee MacPhail of the AL and Chub Feeney of the NL — to assign umpires to the playoffs and World Series based on merit, rather than the rotation system used in recent years.

"We have the best umpires and now we will have the best of the best working the special events," said Phillips. He and the two league presidents reached the agreement around sunrise Monday after a 12-hour bargaining session and about 10 hours before home plate umpire John Kliber threw Cincinnati Manager John McNamara

out of the Reds' rain-shortened 3-2 Opening Day loss to the Chicago Cubs.

"In the first year, salaries will increase an average of 40 percent, and over the four years of the contract, the increases average 60 percent," Phillips said. "In some categories, the increase is more than 100 percent over the term of the contract."

Phillips said an umpire who made the first-year minimum of \$18,000 in 1981 will have a salary of \$26,000 this year and enjoy increases to \$28,000, \$30,000 and \$37,000 over the life of the contract. And all umpires will enjoy significant gains in pension and insurance benefits.

"The terms of this contract reflect recognition of the contributions umpires make to this great game. We are pleased that we reached it without the necessity of a work stoppage." There was an acrimonious seven-week strike by the union in 1979.

"On behalf of both leagues, I would like to say we are very pleased with this agreement," MacPhail told a noon news conference announcing

the contract. "We think it's fair and we are glad to see the umpires get recognition in the upgrading of their salaries. The pension plan we've negotiated is comparable to the better ones in the country."

The contract provides for a 100 percent increase in the pension plan, including a program to benefit umpires already retired which will provide an increase of up to \$2,500 annually in their pensions. Per diem payments will increase from \$77 to \$90 with cost of living allowances built in, too.

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## U.S. Attorney Fired By President Reagan

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A U.S. attorney in California, fired by President Reagan after he embarrassed the administration by identifying a key Central Intelligence Agency source in Mexico, says he has nothing to be sorry for but won't fight the dismissal.

William H. Kennedy, a Reagan appointee, was fired Monday after he resisted pressure from superiors to resign last week.

Kennedy, 50, confirmed 11 days ago that CIA and Justice Department officials blocked an indictment of CIA source Miguel Nassar Haro, a former chief of Mexico's federal security agency.

Nassar has been implicated in a ring that stole \$8.4 million in cars in Southern California and smuggled them into Mexico, sources say. When he confirmed that the indictment had been blocked, Kennedy told the San Diego Union he thought "prosecution should proceed."

Justice Department spokesman Arthur Brill said Kennedy was fired only after he was "given an opportunity to resign and refused."

"Attorney General William French Smith said the action was taken because Kennedy has made improper comments about a pending criminal case. The comments were highly prejudicial to the interests of the White House," Brill said.

In a statement after his dismissal was announced, Kennedy said, "The statement attributed to me in the San Diego Union was an accurate confirmation. There is nothing more to add or apologize for. I will comply with the president's order."

San Diego Mayor Pete Wilson, a Republican who had lobbied in support of Kennedy's appointment, called the firing "unfortunate."

He described Kennedy as "a career prosecutor of the highest caliber, and I don't know what broader national interest seems to be being served here."

In the Union article, Kennedy identified Nassar as the CIA's "most important source in Mexico and Central America." He was summoned to Washington last week to explain his action.

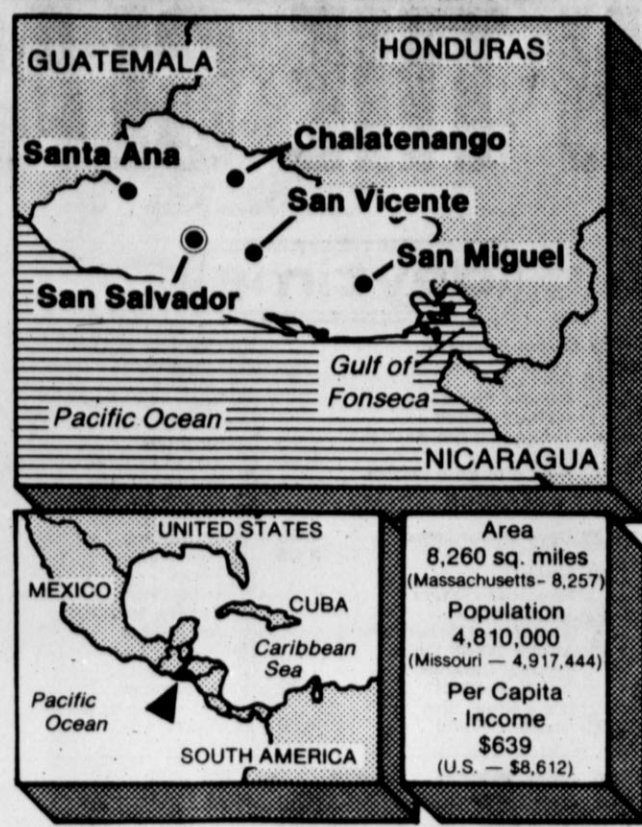
Department sources said that Kennedy's defense was that he had not disclosed the identity himself but merely

Department sources said. Nassar, who headed Mexico's federal security agency from 1977 to January, reportedly was able to supply information to the CIA about exiled politicians from Central America living in Mexico and about Cuban connections with Central America politics. Kennedy confirmed the accuracy of an account brought to him by the newspaper.

The incident was sensitive for the Reagan administration, which has been taking steps to stem security leaks. In recent months, administration officials have testified in Congress that foreign sources for the CIA are drying up because the U.S. is perceived as being unable to keep intelligence secrets.

Under bills being considered by Congress, Kennedy would have been liable for up to 10 years in prison, congressional and Justice

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Leftist rebels oppose El Salvador's March 28 elections to select a constituent assembly and prepare for presidential voting next year. The extreme right is participating but threatens if it loses to use force against the U.S.-supported leadership of the present government.

Other members of the panel indicated they could support some changes in the laws, such as relaxing the fairness doctrine obligations, but only Sen. Wendell Ford, D-Ky., backed repeal.

## Broadcasters' Rights Bill Pressed

DALLAS (AP) — A Senate Republican leader has urged passage of a constitutional amendment to guarantee broadcasters' First Amendment rights. But a number of his colleagues who also journeyed here disagree.

Sen. Robert Packwood, the chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, received a standing ovation Monday from members of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) after outlining his plans to push for a constitutional amendment.

Only with such an amendment can the electronic media be guaranteed the same freedom of expression as newspapers, the Oregon Republican explained, because "no president, no Congress and no court has served this republic and its people as well as our Constitution."

A few hours later, however, three of Packwood's Senate colleagues joined four congressmen for a panel discussion that left the audience disappointed over the level of support expressed for the laws that Packwood attacked — equal time and the fairness doctrine.

The equal time law specifies that if a candidate uses a station's airwaves, the broadcaster must provide an equal opportunity to that candidate's opponents. The fairness doctrine, meantime, requires the presentation of

contrasting viewpoints if a broadcaster airs a program addressing "a controversial issue of public importance."

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## Genetic Links To Cancer Explored

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Most types of cancer appear to start with genetic changes in the body's cells and then worsen as the more destructive and faster growing cells push out healthy tissues, researchers said Monday.

Improved techniques of viewing chromosomes — the parts of cells which carry the genetic maps enabling organisms to reproduce — indicate that all cancers may have chromosomal defects, said Dr. Jorge Y. Yunis.

Yunis told scientists at the sixth annual Symposium of the University of North Carolina Cancer Research Center that he was able to detect genetic abnormalities in all of 150 cancerous tumors studied.

Yunis, a professor of laboratory medicine and pathology at the University of Minnesota Medical School in Minneapolis, Minn., attributed the findings to evolving techniques that let researchers view up to 2,000 bands on a chromosome, compared with 150 to 300 bands usually visible.

Yunis speculated that some of the defects could be inherited within families, while others could be caused through contact with chemicals or radiation.

"Perhaps a common mechanism of neoplasia (cancer) in man is that we have some 100 to 200 sites of so-called cancer genes," he said. "So you have carcinogens affecting these sites to produce nonfamilial neoplasias."

Dr. Louise Strong, associate professor of medical genetics at the University of Texas System Cancer Center in Houston, presented additional evidence of the role of genetics in cancer.

She said several diseases characterized by broken chromosomes led to an increased risk of leukemia as well as cancer of the colon, breast and brain.

Among those with a disease called Bloom's Syndrome she said, "virtually every one of these patients who reached the age of 21 had developed some kind of cancer."

Ms. Strong emphasized that the increasing discovery of genetic factors did not detract from the role of the environment — ranging from

sunlight to cigarette smoking — in creating cancer. But evidence presented at the symposium strengthened the position that environmental factors do their work at the genetic level.

"Genetic as well as environmental factors interact along the way to forming cancer," Ms. Strong said. However, she said, genetic factors at times override environmental factors.

For example, she said, patients with chromosomal defects tended to develop cancer of the colon at the same rate in Japan as in England, while in England, the normal population has a much higher incidence of that cancer.

People who have a family history of cancer also tend to have an increased risk of cancer, with the disease appearing at an earlier age, Ms. Strong said.

If genetic links can be confirmed in all cancers, researchers may look for ways to limit the rate at which cells alter their chromosomes, she

said. "If there were some effective way to do so, that might be an effective path to treatment," Ms. Strong said. "People can often live with these smaller changes in chromosomes, but not with the larger, more bizarre changes."

In many cases, she and Yunis were able to identify which of the 46 chromosomes in human patients were linked with the appearance of cancer.



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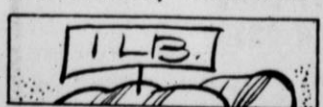
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