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Rare blizzard belts southern Texas

HOUSTON (AP) — A snowstorm that frosted roads and lawns drew frustrated sighs from many South Texans, and for others the weather had grim consequences.

At least four people died in weather-related accidents and five others were killed in fires that authorities say could be linked to the freezing temperatures. Hundreds of traffic accidents were reported and dozens of schools ordered closed on Thursday.

Thursday night and Friday morning were expected to bring more low temperatures. Freeze advisories were posted for far South Texas Thursday night and early Friday morning, the National Weather Service said. The forecast for South Texas called for lows Friday morning near freezing along the coast to the teens in the Hill Country.

In the lower Rio Grande Valley, temperatures were expected to drop below the freezing mark on Thursday night, worrying farmers who saw their citrus crops ravaged by a hard freeze a year ago.

In Houston, 0.4 inches of snow had fallen Wednesday night — the first officially recorded snowfall in the nation's fourth-largest city since 1980. Whited lawns disappeared by Thursday afternoon, but near freezing temperatures returned by nightfall.

Snow also fell in Beaumont, and so did school attendance. Officials said about 15 percent of the city's students stayed home in the wake of the frost.

"It was just a touch of snow for us, but it was probably exciting for some people and especially for the kids," said Ray Broussard, of the National Weather Service in Beaumont.

Farther inland in Texas, travel was improving but continued to be hazardous, particularly in the Austin and San Antonio areas, which were trying to recover from ice and snow on Wednesday.

In Austin, the 3.3 inches of snow there was the most since 1966. All city offices except those dealing with emergency services were shut Thursday for a second straight day.

Police in the state capital handled more than 250 traffic accidents and

Storms cause some deaths

some areas were so jammed with wrecked autos that officers at the scene were told to quit taking reports, Officer C.F. Adams said. Instead, drivers were given do-it-yourself accident report forms and were told to mail them.

At the Night Rider Wrecker Service in Austin, Cathy Senterfitt said the firm had to close because there were too many calls from stranded motorists.

In San Antonio, the 2.4 inches of snow — the most in 20 years — was dubbed the "Blizzard of '85." Police reported more than 100 traffic accidents between midnight and late Thursday morning. A day earlier, 572 accidents were recorded when San Antonio's entire freeway system had to be closed.

"Most San Antonians are not familiar with this particular weather," Mayor Henry Cisneros said.

Of the four fatalities blamed on the storm, three were in traffic accidents. The other was an 84-year-old San Antonio woman, Hilda Burt, who slipped on an icy sidewalk Wednesday and died of a head injury.

Fire officials in the Houston area said blazes that killed five other people may have been weather-related. A Houston man died Thursday morning in his home near the city's downtown. Authorities said the wood frame home caught fire after the man lit an open barbecue pit in his living room to keep warm.

Earlier Thursday, a 59-year-old man and his 24-year-old son died in their Conroe home when a fireplace blaze swept through their home. In Manvel, officials were still investigating the cause of a house fire that killed a 39-year-old man and his 11-year-old son.

Traffic was moderate and only about 30 accidents were reported — probably because many people apparently stayed home, police said.



Gotta Get That Itch

This bovine animal finds relief rubbing against a wooden post recently just north of town. He and nearby

friends have so far enjoyed a mild winter, as the forecast for both today and Saturday calls for a high in the middle 50s.

Final semester tests gone from district

By REED PARSELL
Managing Editor

Jelly still goes well with peanut butter. The sun still rises in the east. Bo Derek still makes bad movies. Final semester examinations, however, are no longer to be given in the Hereford Independent School District.

During their Dec. 18 meeting, local school board members decided by a split vote (4-2) to do away with cumulative semester exams in secondary schools. Despite the move, students are spending more time being tested than they were when final semester exams were administered.

New state education laws are the root of the changes. Beginning next school year, Texas secondary instructors are required to instruct certain "essential elements" and base students' grades on their "mastery" of those objectives.

Hereford secondary schools have implemented the mastery learning concept this year as a sort of trial run. According to Marc Williamson, HISD assistant superintendent of instruction, the early adoption helps

'Summative' exams most important

determine "pacing" needs. "This year we can adjust accordingly," he said.

Grading, as approved by the school board last month, is to be accomplished primarily through "summative" tests. Such exams are given at the conclusion of each unit.

Prior to the summative tests, "formative" exams are administered in either written or oral form. They are to help determine what level of ability students possess in a particular unit. A score of 80 percent or better means they will be placed in an "enrichment" cycle, while lower marks mean designation to the "reteach" cycle.

Results of formative tests are not to be used for determining grades.

At the conclusion of instruction of a unit, summative tests are given. Seventy percent is the cutoff for passing a unit. Regardless of homework and other assignments, failing grades are allotted those scoring below 70 and passing marks are given those who record 70 or above.

According to the new HISD policy, six weeks grades are to be based 75 percent on the average of summative test results. The average of other work is to count 25 percent. Each six weeks grade is to count one third in determining semester marks, which are to represent one half in fixing the full year's grade.

In some cases, students who fail the summative test will be given a second chance. Should they prove they have done "self-directed outside remediation," another summative

exam may be administered by teachers. The higher of the two summative marks will be used for grading purposes.

Most units, Williamson said, take one to three weeks apiece to complete. Some, such as art projects, may last up to six weeks. Speed depends on the number of essential elements which need to be covered, he explained.

One argument for final semester tests, the assistant superintendent said, is they provide instructors with something to measure students'

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Local Roundup

Pecan trees may be ordered

Pecan trees from H&H Wholesale Nursery in Las Cruces, N.M., can be ordered now through February, according to the Tierra Blanca Canal and Water Conservation District.

To place an order, telephone the local soil conservation service office at 344-6333 between 7 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The office is located at 315 W. Third St.

Wichita and Wester Schley are the two varieties available this year. The three-to-four-year-old trees cost \$2 apiece.

According to the SCS office, the Western Schley variety produces a large, paper-shelled, elongated nut and usually starts producing pecans after the fourth year.

The Wichita is a large, moderately elongated nut that produces during the fourth or fifth season after transplantation.

Comments on lake still sought

The Bureau of Reclamation continues to seek comment on the draft environmental assessment prepared in reference to the Uprigger Dam and spillway modification plans at Buffalo Lake.

The bureau is studying various options for repair of the dam at the request of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which now controls Buffalo Lake as a wildlife refuge.

Although a forum to receive public comment was held last summer in Canyon, the Buffalo Lake Water District board of directors was told last month a final decision as to how to repair the dam could still be affected by "public policy."

As far as the effect of a rebuilt dam on the environment goes, the bureau expects to make a finding of "no significant impact." The BOR office in Amarillo is to accept comments until Jan. 18.

Police examine minor incidents

Two minor thefts and two incidents of minor vandalism were among the crimes looked into Thursday by Hereford police officers. The local law enforcement agency reported this morning.

Meanwhile, police continue to search for a man who was shot at South McKinney Avenue at approximately 8:15 a.m. Thursday. The suspect was thought to have been carrying an automatic pistol.

Bomber group seeking members for reunion

By KIMBERLY THOGMARTIN
Staff Writer

Texans who served with the U.S. Army Air Force 330th Bomb Group during World War II are being sought for a reunion later this year.

Al Verble of Dallas, who is coordinating the Texas effort to bring the veterans together, said a first-ever reunion is tentatively planned for September 5-8 at Right Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

Members of the 330th Bomb Group Association in virtually every state are trying to locate the hundreds of men who served with them—most of whom are more than 60 years of age.

"Our B-29s took part in the climactic raids on Japan between April and September, 1945," Verble said. "In the nearly 40 years since the war ended, the 330th has never held a reunion."

Air Force 330th

Verble said at least 115 men of the 330th came from Texas. He feels that many of those men returned to their home state after the war, but all he has are 1944 addresses for a few of those men.

According to Verble, the 330th was activated in 1942 as a training unit for B-24 crews, a role it maintained until early in 1944. On April 1, 1944, the group was reactivated as the 330th Bomb Group (VH). The initials stand for "very heavy," meaning equipped with B-29's.

The new 330th's first cadres arrived at Walker Army Air Force Base in Kansas that April. Through the hot summer the organizational process

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Hereford Bull

By O.G. NIEMAN



That feller on Tierra Blanca Creek says a prejudiced person is one who is too stubborn to admit that you are right.

I don't think anything is going to be done about the federal budget deficit until they discover it causes cancer in laboratory rats.—Robert Orben

Marshall Day, Seminole publisher and former Brand editor, says he overheard this conversation from an elderly couple who had been wed more than 50 years:

"In all that time, did you ever consider divorce?" they were asked.

"Never, not divorce," the wife said. "Murder sometimes, but never divorce!"

Now that Christmas is over, some folks are going to try and figure out how to pay for it.

Things could be worse. Inflation has had its impact on Christmas, and you could have succumbed to the 12 Days of Christmas.

If it's true that love lasts as long as the money; pity the gift giver in "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

Some wag has provided a

breakdown on what the gifts listed in Christmas song would cost in today's marketplace:

One pear tree—\$14.
One partridge—\$15.
Two turtle doves—\$10.
Three French hens—\$36.
Four calling birds—\$140.
Five golden rings—\$1,000.
Six geese a-laying—\$60.
Seven swans a-swimming—\$1,260.
Eight milkmaids—At the farm wage rate of \$3.38 an hour, eight maids working an eight-hour day would cost \$216.32.

Nine ladies dancing—A moderately priced dance company composed of nine performers would be \$6,000.

Ten lords leaping are in short supply. However, you could send ten young men named Lord to gymnastics school for 16 weeks for \$1,260.

Eleven pipes—At Musicians Union rate of \$11 an hour, plus 20 percent for the leader costs \$145.20 per hour.

Twelve drummers—Paid the same rate as the pipers, \$158.40 per hour. So, the cost of this production would be \$10,314.92 not including travel, tax, or tips.

At this price, that bottle of perfume seems just right.

Ann Landers Bald and proud



DEAR ANN LANDERS: I couldn't help but write after reading about the 26-year-old man who is losing his hair and is depressed.

I am also 26 and losing my hair. I, too, went through a period of being self-conscious and miserable. I also thought about hairpieces and transplantation.

Finally, I came to terms with myself and acknowledged the fact that there is nothing wrong with being bald. I had not lost my friends or my job because of it, and women still liked me.

I feel ashamed when I think of the millions of people who are struggling with real problems such as unemployment, physical handicaps and terminal illness.

I don't believe a hairpiece is a wise solution. The guy would feel uncomfortable around his relatives and old friends. He would wonder what they think about his fake hair. His problem is not baldness—it is being ashamed of being bald. If even his supportive wife cannot change his attitude, I second your motion that he get a bald therapist.—Kojak In Paul

DEAR KOJAK: I received many letters from women who said bald men turned them on and no way would they permit their boyfriends or husbands to wear a rug. Thanks for the backup. Here's another letter on the same subject.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: In response to "Westchester," whose husband is becoming depressed because he is losing his hair at age 26:

I have been a barber for 30 years and know many men who have gone bald, young, old and in-between.

Baldness is not a sickness, nor is it a disease. It is a natural occurrence and almost always hereditary.

I keep telling these baldies not to

spend money foolishly on so-called hair growers. They don't work. Besides, doesn't he know (as I tell my customers) that a good man always comes out on top?—Mike The Barber In Akron, Ohio

DEAR MIKE: Thanks for a sensible letter. Every week I hear from men who spend a ton of money on sheep dip, snake oil, elixir of Spanish onions and other assorted quackery. Oh, what fools some mortals be!

DEAR ANN LANDERS: What is your opinion of this situation: A man's wife of almost 30 years (children grown), over a period of several years, set aside a little money from her grocery allowance for a weekend trip for them both. Her husband tells her, "It's too expensive, besides I can't take time off from work."

A few weeks later the same man announces that he is going on a hunting trip for a week with the boys. To top it off, the night before he leaves, he has the nerve to ask his wife if she will give him part of the money she had put aside for the trip she wanted them to take together. (The wife said, "Nothing doing.") Your opinion is wanted and don't spare the horses.—Minnesota Reader

DEAR MINN.: I say this insensitive clod should check his priorities before it's too late. Sounds as if he might be in serious trouble with a woman who would be difficult to replace.

Planning a wedding? What's right? What's wrong? Ann Landers' "New Bride's Guide" will relieve your anxiety. To receive a copy, send \$2.00 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope (37 cents postage) to Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11995, Chicago, Illinois 60611.



Artist Of The Month

Elsie Patrick of 1109 E. Park has been chosen as artist of the month at Deaf Smith County Library. Ms. Patrick, who is self-taught, has been painting for 10 years and prefers to use the medias of watercolors and acrylics. She is pictured by one of her paintings done with acrylics, watercolors and carbon pencil.

Readings to begin soon for local play

Readings for the Hereford Community Players' play "Barefoot in the Park" will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. in the east end of the Community Center.

The play will benefit the American Heart Association.

To be performed in mid-February, the play has parts available for three men and two women. All ages are invited to attend the reading. Individuals who are interested in help-

ing with the sets, lighting and other technical aspects are also needed.

For more information, contact Amy Gilliland after 5 p.m. at 364-3717 or Bonnie Wuerflein, project chairman, at 364-4966.

Abundant Life

Bob Wear

DAILY, we read of murders and other tragedies. Oftentimes, the news story begins with the statement, "There was an argument," or something similar to this. This emphasizes again the "power of words", power for good or power for evil, depending upon the words and the manner in which the words are expressed. So much of personal distress and unhappy relationships comes from unwise choice of words, and the misuse of words.

WE CAN, with diligent effort learn to be wise in both the choice of our words and the way in which we use them. Much of the difficulty experienced in human relationships, in the home, the school, the church, the community and in other areas of human associations comes from failure to recognize the "power of words", or just plain carelessness. Whereas, so much that is for the good of all persons involved can be promoted and supported by the power of good words spoken well.

TOO OFTEN we seem to think that being hasty with the reply, the retort, or perhaps with the put-down is a virtue, at least a desirable capability. We must learn that such action does not protect our ego and never makes any situation better. In fact, this manner of speech is likely to alienate people and embarrass us.

WE CAN LEARN to control our thinking to the degree that we can choose our words wisely, and direct the power of them along the most helpful lines. We can choose our words so that they serve us well, are helpful to others and better the life situation for all concerned. We have this potential, and the beautiful aspect of this life plan is that it will work.

WITH THE DESIRE AND effort working in a structure of sustained constancy, the power of our words can bless us and all who touch our lives.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Flores are the parents of a son, Christopher Joe, born Dec. 17. He weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Catarino Juarez are the parents of a daughter, Petra Francisca, born Dec. 19. She weighed 7 lbs. 9 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Earl Sapp are the parents of a son, Preston Earl, born Dec. 19. He weighed 7 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Ray Smith are the parents of a daughter, Carla Danette, born Dec. 18. She weighed 6 lbs. 11 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Little Joe Enriquez are the parents of a daughter, Lesley Nicole, born Dec. 18. She weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Randel Hargrove are the parents of a son, Casey Shawn, born Dec. 19. He weighed 7 lbs. 6 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ray Riley are the parents of a daughter, Jami Nicole, born Dec. 20. She weighed 6 lbs. 2 1/2 oz.

Elvis Costello was born Declan Patrick McManus in London on Aug. 25, 1954.



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School Menus

HEREFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS Breakfast

MONDAY - Buttered toast, hash browns, mixed fruit, half pint milk.

TUESDAY - Donuts, pink applesauce, half pint milk.

WEDNESDAY - Cinnamon toast, pears, half pint chocolate milk.

THURSDAY - Sausage pattie, biscuits and jelly, fruit juice, half pint milk.

FRIDAY - Bacon, pancakes and syrup, orange juice, half pint milk.

Lunch

MONDAY - Sloppy Jo, fresh garden salad, french fries, pickles, fruit, chocolate cake, bun, half pint milk.

TUESDAY - Burrito with chili and cheese, cabbage and apple salad, corn, fruit, bread, half pint milk.

WEDNESDAY - Tacos, shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes, pinto beans, orange juice, cinnamon roll, half pint milk.

THURSDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, tator tots, fruit, bun, half pint milk.

FRIDAY - Chicken nuggets and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, gelatin with fruit, peanut butter cookie, rolls and butter, half pint milk.

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

MONDAY - Corn dogs with mustard, green beans, carrot and raisin salad, gingerbread with whip topping, milk.

TUESDAY - Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, spinach, 1/2 apple, hot rolls, milk.

WEDNESDAY - Turkey pie with biscuit topping, sweet potatoes, applesauce, chocolate crinkles, milk.

THURSDAY - Pizza, tossed salad, buttered corn, Jello with fruit, milk.

FRIDAY - Grilled cheese sandwich, french fries, green salad, fruit cobbler, milk.

Hospital Notes

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

David Arellano, Irene Barrera, Boy Barrera, A.H. Brown, Breanna Bruegel, Gabriela Cantu, Pablo Chavez, William Crismon.

Ada Escobedo, Sheena Gregg, Marilyn Hamilton, Bess Jennings, Daniel Larsen, Lily Lofton, Jewell Lutts, Eva Madero, Girl Madero, Carlos Mendez, Marjorie Mims, Jennifer Morales, Girl Morales, Helen Murby, Juanita Olivas, Girl Olivas.

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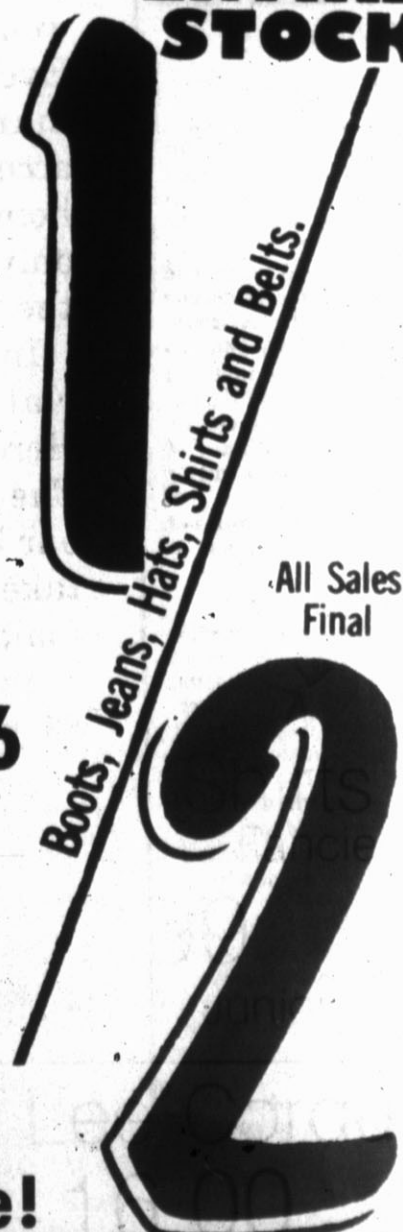
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Local Church News

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

The local congregation of Spanish-speaking Jehovah's Witnesses will attend a circuit assembly Saturday and Sunday in the north meeting room of the Amarillo Civic Center. Approximately 500 delegates from the area congregations are expected to attend.

"Repudiate Ungodliness and Worldly Desires" will be the theme for both days. This will show the need for Christians to gain God's favor and to maintain it so as to receive His blessing. Personal Bible study on a regular basis will be stressed so that Christians will be on guard against a 'me first' attitude so common today and to help others as well.

On Sunday beginning at 2 p.m., the public talk "The War of Armageddon... Is It Near? What Will It Mean?" will be given by F. Aleman, a representative of The Watchtower of New York. He will provide insight as to the Bible's point of view on this subject.

All sessions will be in Spanish. The public is invited to attend.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

During the December meeting of the church women, new officers for the coming year were installed. Camille Williamson will serve as president; Pet Ott, vice-president; Mozelle Neill, treasurer; Mary Williamson, secretary; Sue Malamen, program chairman; Priscilla Power, mission chairman; Janice Conkright, cheer chairman; and Dee Dee Osborn, hospitality chairman.

Also, during the meeting, a Christmas story was presented by Helen Rose.

During the Women's Association luncheon scheduled at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, a program will be given by Avis and Milford Grisham, missionaries to Argentina for 30 years.

Also, on January's agenda, a special luncheon has been scheduled at 11:30 a.m. Jan. 28 sponsored by the church women. Nancy and Charles Ross, missionaries from Zaire, Africa are to speak. The entire congregation is invited to attend and are asked to bring a dish.

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Celebration of Our Parishhood and Institution of the Rector will take place at 7 p.m. Jan. 10. For those coming long distances, there will be a light supper at 5 p.m. that after-

noon. A reception will follow the Institution of the Rector and at 8 a.m. the following morning, there will be a continental breakfast in the parish hall for the guests who stay overnight in Hereford and for St. Thomasites.

Meredith Wilcox is in charge of arrangements for the supper, reception and breakfast. For those interested in helping Ms. Wilcox call 364-0195.

Also, overnight lodging will be provided for those needing it. Call the parish office at 364-0146 as soon as possible if anyone has an available bedroom.

St. Thomas is having an epiphany party at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 12 beginning with cocktails and the home of Jack and Meredith Wilcox, 205 Ranger. The salad will be hosted by Frankie Lusk at their home at 429 Paloma Lane. The main course will be served at the home of John and Mel Ruth Aikin at 216 N. Texas. Please notify the church or Jerre Clark at 364-0943 so hostesses will know how many to plan for.

Enuirer's classes, leading to the possibility of confirmation or reception by the Bishop at his visitation on Palm Sunday will begin on Monday, Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. The classes will survey the content of the Bible, church history, church policy, the Sacraments and Episcopal customs. They are open to anyone and there is no obligation for Confirmation.

Hereford ICT initiates members

Hereford Industrial Cooperative Training chapter No. 459 held an initiation for new members recently.

The initiation was conducted by the official initiation ritual guide. Ten members were inducted, and entertainment and refreshments were provided for everyone present.

Students initiated were Tracy Casarez, Arlesha Peters, Carlos Ruiz, Angel Salinas, Travis Shields, Jose Villalobos, Joe Castro, Jaimie Ruiz, Tom Green and Johnny Zepeda.

School separates hot lunchers, carriers

LINCOLN, R.I. (AP) — In the lunchroom of the Saylesville Elementary School, all children are divided into two classes: the "hot lunchers" and the "brown baggers."

The separation of children has caused a feud between the suburban school system and a local family. The Rhode Island chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union has entered the fray, claiming that the school is breaking federal regulations.

At issue is Principal Samuel Williams' policy of segregating children in the school's lunchroom on the basis of whether they bring their lunch from home or buy a hot lunch at the school.

Williams says his policy helps maintain order and gets the children out of the lunchroom faster, giving them more time to play.

But the DeQuattro family and the ACLU say the year-old policy arbitrarily keeps students from mingling freely during lunchtime. Further, they claim, it violates federal law by discriminating against students in the federally subsidized school lunch program.

The town School Committee has refused to change the policy, and the state Education Department has sent the ACLU complaint to the federal Department of Education. A decision from Washington is pending.

The policy requires students who buy lunch, the "hot lunchers," to sit at the six tables closest to the food servers. The students who bring their lunch, the "brown baggers" or "carriers," are required to eat at the far six tables.

The ACLU complaint, filed last September, said the federal law

states: "The children (participating in the subsidized-lunch program) shall not be required to use a separate dining area."

"There's much less movement, therefore it's much safer for the children," Williams said. "The children can now eat in a calmer, more relaxed environment because the lunchroom runs more effectively."

That is not the way 12-year-old Sherry DeQuattro, who bought her lunch in the sixth grade at Saylesville last year, saw it. Sherry, who now attends a junior high school, spoke out against the policy and got in touch with the Rhode Island chapter of the ACLU.

"I think it's important for any citizen of the United States to stand up for their rights," said Anthony DeQuattro, Sherry's father. "I teach my kids that they should go out and fight for what they believe in... They live in the United States, not Russia."

The DeQuattros have two younger children in the Saylesville school, which has 320 students.

Sherry said she and her friends did not like the policy because it prevented them from sitting with some of their schoolmates. Neither the family nor the school would reveal whether or not Sherry was in the federally subsidized lunch program.

Steven Brown, executive director of the Rhode Island ACLU, agreed

with her.

"The rule is simply another example of school officials coming up with arbitrary and petty rules to promote order and discipline in the schools without any sensitivity to the interests of the students. If students want to stick with their friends during lunch hour, they ought to, and concerns about order should not take precedence," he said.

Brown said he believes the policy also breaks federal regulations that prohibit schools from discriminating against children enrolled in the government-subsidized school lunch program.

"This policy has the effect of spotlighting children who participate in the school lunch program," he said. Although not all children who buy lunch at school are part of the federal program, "students and teachers are able to see or at least guess who is participating in the program," Brown said.

Dr. John Ambrogio, superintendent of the Lincoln school system, took issue with Brown. "There's no way of knowing which youngsters are getting free or reduced lunches," he said.

Williams said the policy has the widespread support of parents. "Individual parents say to me, 'keep it up, we think it's good.'"

And teachers serving as lunchroom monitors said they believed the students were unaware of any problem in the lunchroom. "I think

it's more of a grown-ups' problem," said one monitor.

In interviews during a recent lunch period, more than a dozen students questioned were split evenly about whether they liked the policy.

Andrew Duffell, a second-grader, said he likes the new policy: "When you have to bring up your trays... you don't have to walk that far," he said.

But third-grader Chris Hunter said he told his mother he does not like the separation. "Before you could sit with anyone we wanted," he said.

"Now we have to sit here," chimed in his classmate, Seth Blais.

Someone's always taking the fun out of life. A pump-type toothpaste dispenser will eliminate the family rows over who squooshed the tube in the middle.

Why do they manufacture Christmas light strings so the bulbs that burn out are always deep in the branches of the tree?



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Solid fat makes a different cake

DEAR POLLY — Many cake recipes and cake-mix recipes call for oil as one of the ingredients. I cannot tolerate the oil and was wondering if other shortening can be used with the same results. — SOPHIE

DEAR SOPHIE — Oil and solid shortenings produce different results in cake recipes. It's usually not possible to substitute one for the other. I suggest you stick to recipes that call for butter, margarine or solid vegetable shortening. Virtually all butter-style cakes can be made with any of these three solid fats, so your choice of recipes is quite large.

Melting solid shortening will not give the same results as oil, either. — POLLY

DEAR POLLY — I had a special birthday present to wrap, but I didn't have any wrapping paper. I had some very pretty adhesive-backed paper, so I covered the top of a box with it. It was very pretty and made the box more sturdy, too. — P.L.E.

DEAR POLLY — I use a heating pad turned on low to medium under yeast doughs to help them rise quickly. Cuts rising time dramatically! — VICKIE

DEAR POLLY — I put an ice cube in my children's soup when it's too hot to eat. Cools the soup down quickly.

When knitting or crocheting a gift for someone, be sure to include washing and drying instructions. Many yarns used for baby sweaters, booties, afghans and other items should be hand-washed. It's difficult to guess if you're not a crocheter or knitter yourself. — SHERRY

Make your own yogurt, buttermilk, creme fraiche and sweetened condensed milk with the formulas in Polly's newsletter.

DEAR POLLY — I add a little milk to the cooking water when cooking corn — fresh on the cob, frozen or canned. It seems to make the corn fresher and sweeter tasting. — CHERYL

DEAR POLLY — Stuff pitted black olives with herbed Boursin cheese for an elegant hors d'oeuvre. — DANA

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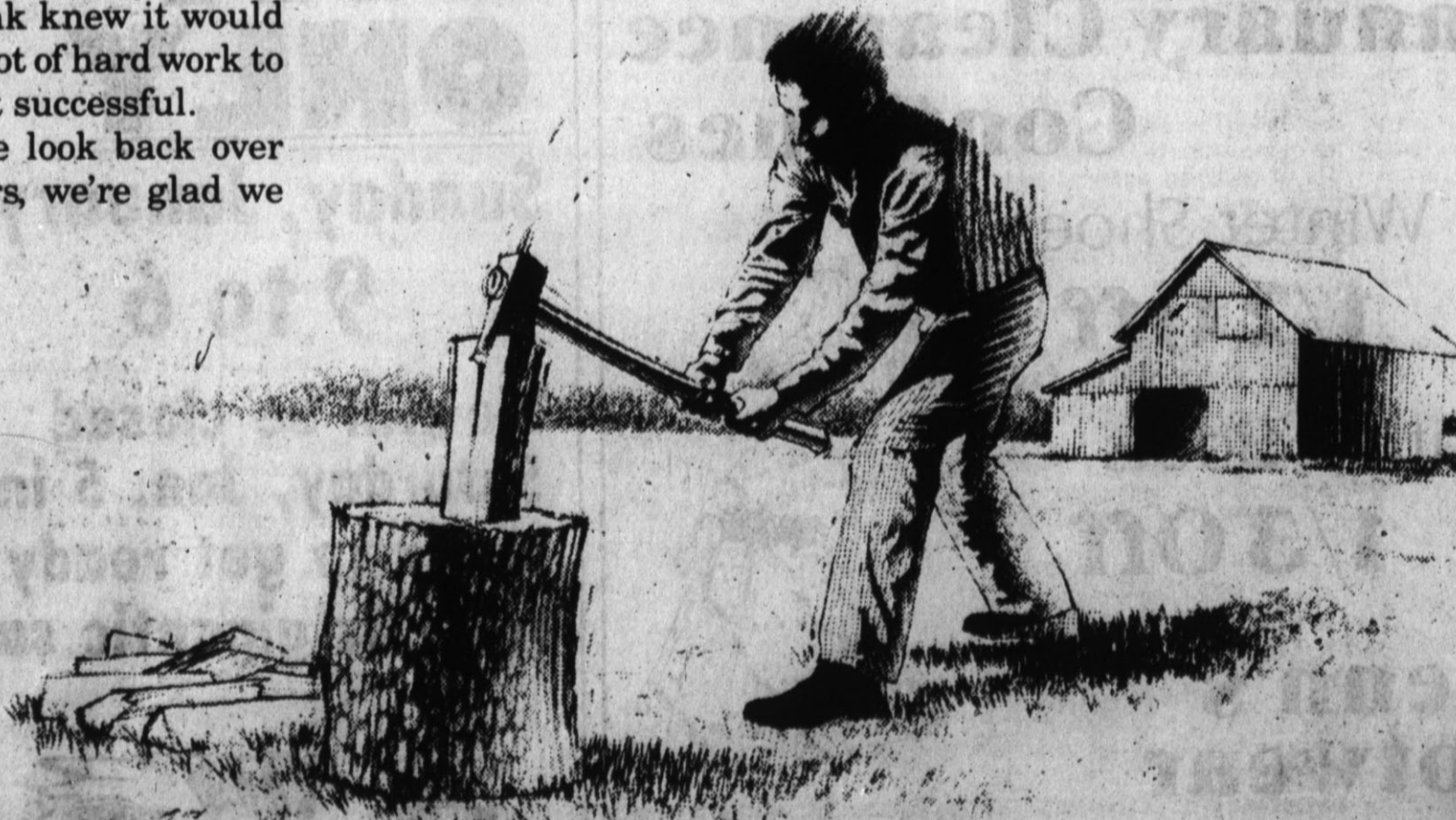
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Walking is a favorite with me. I am a 45-year-old female and each day I try to walk four to five miles, which takes approximately an hour to an hour and 10 minutes. When I first started, I walked a short distance on flat areas, then added distance and some rather steep hills. How much more distance should I add? Are the hills good or bad? Would it be better if I jogged instead of walked? I really do not wish to build up my leg muscles. I only want to keep them firm.

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Walking will not build up the trunk muscles or the arm and shoulder muscles. While you get a lot of benefits, including eliminating excess body fat, you cannot strengthen, firm or enlarge muscles you don't use.
Add exercises that use the rest of your body, using small weights or any device that enables you to work your muscles against resistance. Stretching exercises, to maintain your flexibility, should also be a part of your program.

Walking's potential health benefits are often overlooked. I'm sending you

The Health Letter 18-4, Walking to Health, to give you a review of all the good things it can do for you. Others who want this issue can send 75 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it to me in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019.

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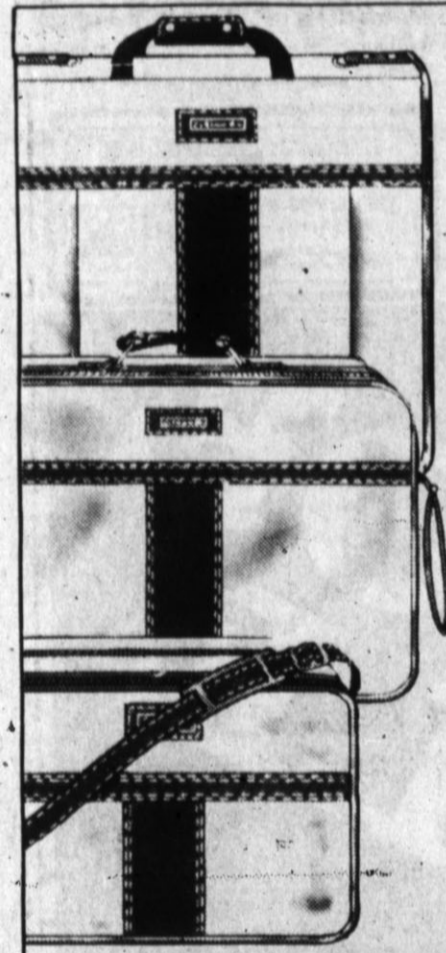
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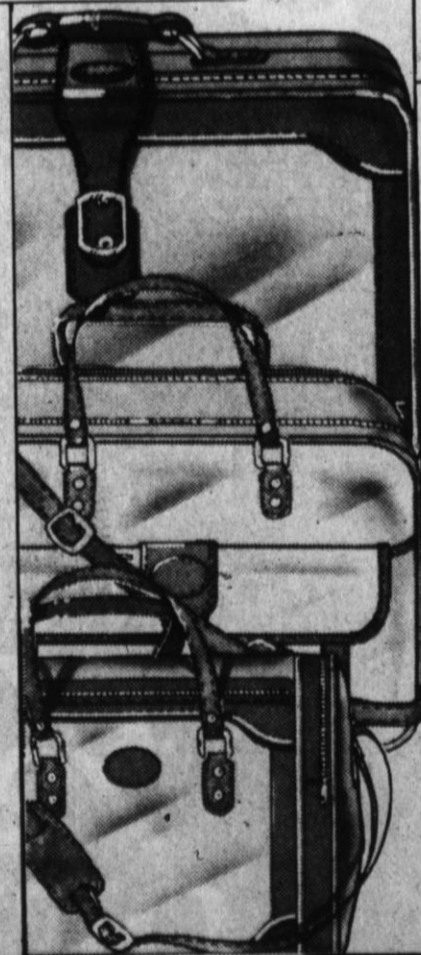
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AFC championship game

Miami, Pittsburgh headed for showdown

By BRUCE LOWITT AP Sports Writer

MIAMI (AP) — It is three months and 1,230 miles away from the last time the Miami Dolphins met the Pittsburgh Steelers — and a lot farther than that in terms of what the game means.

Sunday's showdown for the American Football Conference title means a ticket to a Super Bowl for the winner, a ticket to a season-ending ride home for the loser. On Oct. 7, in Pittsburgh's Three Rivers Stadium, the Dolphins' 31-7 pounding of the Steelers was merely one-sixteenth of the National Football League season.

"This isn't just another game. This is for the AFC championship and the pressure begins to mount earlier

than if it was a regular-season game because of what's riding on it," Bob Baumhower, the Dolphins' nose tackle, said Thursday.

"There's only four teams left in the hunt right now," Baumhower went on, including the National Conference's Chicago Bears and San Francisco 49ers. "This is what we've worked for and it's a good position to be in. It's a good feeling to have."

Don Shula couldn't agree more. "It sure feels a lot better ... than it did last year at this time," he said. "A year ago at this time the season was over for us."

A year ago, when Miami was bowing out of the playoffs with a 27-20 loss to Seattle (avenged last Saturday when the Dolphins routed the Seahawks 31-10), Pittsburgh also

was an early loser, to the eventual champion Los Angeles Raiders.

This year, the Steelers eked into the playoffs with a 9-7 record, good enough to win the Central Division title but nothing like the conference-best 14-2 run up by Miami.

And despite their 24-17 upset of the Western Division champion Broncos last Sunday in Denver, the Steelers are a 10-point underdog.

"Teams have been underestimating us lately," Pittsburgh linebacker Robin Cole said. "I just hope it happens one more week."

Dolphins running back Tony Nathan, after watching Pittsburgh beat up Denver quarterback John Elway and the rest of the Broncos, said the Steelers "looked a lot more

physical than they did when we played them the first time. And they've got some people back who were hurt when we beat 'em."

Frank Pollard gained 851 yards during the season and added 99 yards and two touchdowns against the Broncos. Walter Abercrombie tackled 75 yards against Denver onto his 610 during the year. They were the two primary reasons the Steelers finished the season tied with Cincinnati for second in rushing in the conference. The Dolphins' defense was 13th in the AFC — next-to-worst — against the rush.

The 1976 St. Louis Cardinals, in a game against the Washington Redskins, lost the ball on a fumble eight times, an NFL record.



Going High For Two

Hereford sophomore Bobby Baker pulls up short of Coronado's Hasie Cole for a jump shot in Thursday night basketball action in Lubbock. The Whitefaces dropped their third district game at CHS, losing 68-64.

Montana vs. all-pros in NFC championship

By DAVE GOLDBERG AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Sunday's NFC title game is being billed as a showdown between the Joe Montana-led offense of the San Francisco 49ers and the National Football League-leading Chicago Bear defense led by all-pros Dan Hampton, Mike Singletary and Richard Dent.

Except for one small item that's been overlooked — the 49ers have a defense, too. Not as overpowering as Chicago's perhaps, but just as effective — particularly in the statistic that counts most — points allowed.

In fact, during the regular season, Chicago and San Francisco were 2-3 in the NFL (behind the Denver Broncos) in points allowed, and San Francisco with 248, allowed fewer than Chicago's 260. Each allowed 24 touchdowns — 10 rushing and 14 passing, with the difference in the points coming on those allowed by Chicago's offense.

Last week, in San Francisco's 21-10 win over the New York Giants that ran its best-in-football record to 16-1 and got the Niners to the NFC title game they lost last year to Washington, the defense pitched a shutout — New York's only touchdown came on a 14-yard pass interception return by Harry Carson.

The Bears, 10-6 and Central Division titlists in an injury-riddled season in which they used six quarterbacks, also arrived here via the defensive door — a 23-19 win over the Redskins in which they registered seven sacks, three by Dent, who led the NFC in the regular season with 17½.

Which is why all the talk about the reincarnated Monsters of the Midway — defensive coordinator Buddy Ryan's philosophy is to attack; the 49ers sometimes play the old bend-but-don't-break game.

"They're a take-chance, tight man-to-man bump-and-run and come-after-you type of defense,"

Paul Hackett, who coaches San Francisco's passing game, says of the Bears.

"The reason they can get away with playing a gambling, roll-the-dice kind of defense is because they have truly outstanding players. They have a great defensive line, outstanding linebacking and, when they're healthy, a secondary that's as good as any around."

But the 49ers also have good players on defense — linebacker Keena Turaner and backs Ronnie Lott, Dwight Hicks and Carlton Williamson are all going to the Pro Bowl and their colleague who's not — cornerback Eric Wright — was a second team all-pro.

Then there's Fred Dean, who held out for the first 10 games. He gives the 49ers a pass-rusher. He had two sacks against the Giants last week after registering four in six regular-season games, giving him six in seven games for the season, an all-pro pace.

"I think Dent is as fine a pass rusher as there is in football," says 49ers Coach Bill Walsh, paying homage to the man he hopes to keep out of Joe Montana's face Sunday.

"But Fred Dean also is in that category and I would hope that in this game Fred Dean is the better pass rusher."

In fact, the 49ers are confident that their defense can stop almost anything Chicago throws at them — be it world-class speedster Willie Gault, who broke loose for a 75-yard touchdown against Washington after taking a 10-yard toss from quarterback Steve Fuller; or all-time NFL rushing leader Walter Payton.

Walsh is hoping the soft grass turf of Candlestick Park can slow up Payton as it has the likes of the Los Angeles Rams' Eric Dickerson, who gained 98 yards in 26 carries here; Tampa Bay's James Wilder, who was 18 for 89, and Washington John Riggins, who got just 12 yards in 10 carries.

In 'draft

USFL closer to Flutie

NEW YORK (AP) — The United States Football League, proud of its previous record of signing college draft choices, is zeroing in on Heisman Trophy winner Doug Flutie, officially property of the New Jersey Generals.

The USFL, which says it signed almost 40 percent of the players in the previous two drafts, now has the head start in getting down to business with the Boston College quarterback after Thursday's draft.

The signing of the Flutie by the Generals, in a major marketing area, is considered essential for the survival of the league, which begins

its third season Feb. 23 with 14 teams — four less than last year.

Flutie, who was in Honolulu for the Hula Bowl, has said he will see what the USFL has to offer.

"If the money and the situation were the same, I would sign with the NFL," Flutie admitted. "But there will be many factors involved."

"It's time to realize your college career is finally behind you. The time has come to talk about pro football ... money and the whole works."

The rival National Football League will hold its draft April 30 with the Buffalo Bills, with the worst record, 2-14, having the No. 1 pick.

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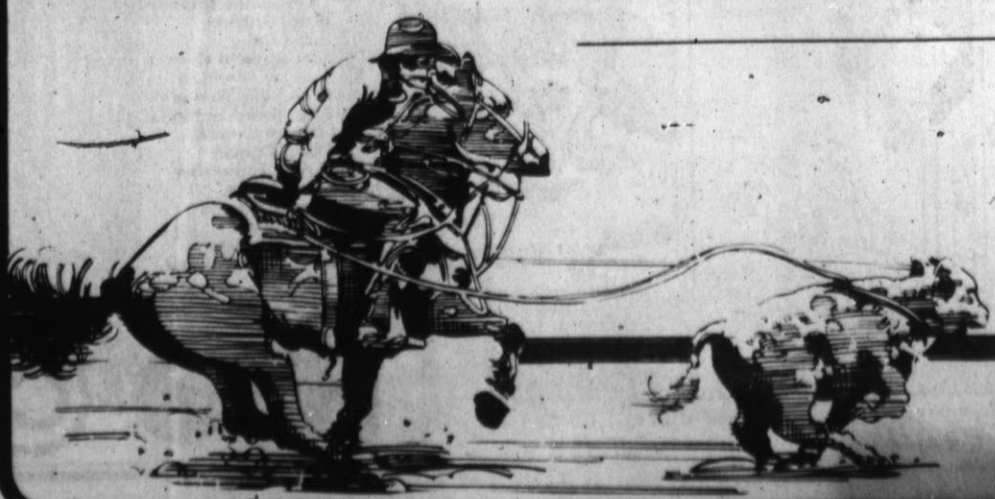
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Reward offered for information of couples

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Relatives of two American couples last seen one month ago in an affluent neighborhood of Guadalajara are offering a \$5,000 reward for information that leads to their location.

Alan Rogers, spokesman for the U.S. Consulate in Guadalajara, said the reward was arranged by Norman Carlson of Vacaville, Calif., father of one of the missing couples.

"He and the other families of the missing people are offering a reward of \$5,000 for information leading to the location of the missing couples," Rogers said in a phone interview.

He said Carlson, who arrived in Mexico before Christmas, left Wednesday to go back to California.

Dennis and Rose Carlson of Redding, Calif., arrived in Guadalajara three days before they were last seen Dec. 2. They were with Benjamin and Patricia Mascarenas of Ely, Nev., who had lived for more than a year in Guadalajara, Mexico's second largest city, located 330 miles northwest of the capital.

All are in their 20s or 30s. "There is nothing new as pertains to the missing people themselves," Rogers said Thursday.

He said fliers were being printed for distribution to the police, the news media and for posting in public places.

"The fliers request that anybody

with this information contact the detective in charge of the case, Edgardo Rogelio Levy Gallardo, or the consulate, or himself (Norman Carlson) in Vacaville, Calif., or his other son David in Redding, Calif.," Rogers said. "It's being distributed at his request and at his expense."

Levy Gallardo has said the father's formal complaint confirms that the four Americans were Jehovah's Witnesses but said the couples were in Guadalajara as tourists and not to proselytize.

Police accounts, however, say the two couples had been selling Bibles in the Chapalita neighborhood on Sunday morning, Dec. 2, when several cars drove up and took them away.

Initial accounts said the abductors spoke Spanish, but the Foreign Ministry in a statement released Dec. 21 said they were English-speaking individuals "more than 60 years old and Anglo-Saxon in appearance."

The Foreign Ministry statement, the only high-level official comment on the case so far, said a government investigation showed that the missing Americans were Jehovah's Witnesses who were proselytizing when approached.

Witnesses said no violence was involved and there was no indication anyone was armed.

PRI candidate selected in Nuevo Leon

MONTERREY, Mexico (AP) — The Institutional Revolutionary Party selected its candidate for governor of Nuevo Leon state, preparing for one of two races in border states this year expected to present unprecedented challenges to its long domination.

The candidate will be Jorge Alonso Trevino Martinez, a member of the federal Chamber of Deputies.

Humberto Cervantes Vega, the president of the Nuevo Leon chapter of the ruling party, known as the PRI, announced the decision Wednesday night.

Trevino Martinez currently presides over the chamber's finance and public credit commission.

Notimex, the official government news agency, reported that he had the support of labor and peasant organizations that make up an important part of the PRI's base.

Trevino Martinez was born in Monterrey in 1935 and received a law degree from the National University of Mexico in 1958. He received a doctorate in law from the University of Paris in 1963.

The candidate of the opposition National Action Party, Fernando Canales Clariond, said Thursday that he expects an easy victory because Trevino Martinez "does not have support among the population."

He warned if the election result is not respected by the ruling party and his party's candidate is robbed of victory through fraud, "people will find the necessary strategy to make it respected ... without the necessity of resorting to violent acts such as those that occurred in Coahuila."

The National Action Party claims it was robbed of mayoral victories in Piedras Negras, Monclova and several other cities in Coahuila state. Rioters burned the municipal complex in Piedras Negras this past weekend to protest the alleged fraud.

The PRI, which has governed Mexico for more than 50 years, controls the governors' offices in all 31 states. But National Action is hoping to make gains in northern Mexico, historically its strongest base.

The governors races in Nuevo Leon, which is south of Texas, and in Sonora, south of Arizona, are attracting significant attention. The governor's election in San Luis Potosi state in north central Mexico also could be difficult for the PRI, according to many political analysts.

Elections for governor also are scheduled this year in Guanajuato, Colima, Queretaro and Campeche states further south.

The World Almanac

Q&A

1. Who was the first American to be canonized? (a) Elizabeth Seton (b) Frances X. Cabrini (c) Susan B. Anthony
2. Which Hall of Fame is Percy Beard in? (a) football (b) track and field (c) golf
3. What is the favorite television program among American teens? (a) "Facts of Life" (b) "The A Team" (c) "Happy Days"

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