

"LISD wants to keep paying attorneys instead of a good education"

Aguero to Oppose New LISD Election Plan

LULAC Council 4449 today are expected to ask the Lubbock Independent School District to table the consideration of redistricting plans now being made by LISD that will govern how School Board members are elected.

Maria Rivas, president of the will testify before the board and ask that the possibility of 7 single member districts be considered in realigning election precincts.

According to sources the possibility of 7 single member districts has been continually discussed within the minority community for the past few weeks.

Bidal Aguero, one of the plain-

tiffs involved in originally changing the district way of electing board members from an all at-large method to the present plan of 5 districts and two at-large said that he has definitely discussed the issue with his attorneys.

"We are aware that in order for any district lines to change LISD must seek our opinion. The school district has admitted that in order to amend the original judgement of Aguero vs. LISD they will have to show the court that the alterations are necessary."

Aguero said that although he has not spoken to the other plaintiffs, George Scott and Genaro

Chavez, "because of their political involvement and their recent involvement against other actions by LISD, the other two plaintiffs would probably be against the change being proposed by LISD in electing representatives."

Of major concern of minorities is the adding to one predominantly anglo voting box, voting box 11, that would dilute the strength of minorities to elect a representative from District 2.

"This box has continually shown that it will vote against minority candidates and when you have 2,000 new voters that seem to always vote alike we have to be

concerned," said Aguero.

"I think that the seven single member district plan being considered by different minority groups has to be seriously considered. Courts have recently ruled that a mixed plan is still unconstitutional when it comes to the voting rights act," said Aguero.

He ended by saying that there was no doubt in his mind that the current plan adopted by the school district would be opposed.

"I guess they never get tired of being in court and paying their attorneys money that could be used for education of our kids."

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Abortion Issue Stirs Hispanics, At Home and On the Hill

By Teresa Puent

In the next week or so, the nation's political leaders will address an issue of increasingly bitter division among U.S. Hispanics. Congress is expected to counter the May 23 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that clinics accepting federal funds are barred from mentioning abortion as an option to patients.

But for any bill it passes to become law, it's a given that the body will have to override a presidential veto.

There is no consensus on the issue among Hispanic members of Congress.

Last year there were three key abortion-related roll calls in the U.S. House: on family planning overseas, abortion on military bases, and abortion funding in the District of Columbia.

On the trio, five of the 10 Hispanic voting members voted in favor of pro-choice forces: Edward Roybal, Matthew Martinez, Esteban Torres (all of California), Henry, B. Gonzalez (Texas) and Jose Serrano (New York). Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (Florida, and the lone Republican in the group) and Solomón Ortiz (Texas) voted against them. Bill Richardson (New Mexico) voted twice for pro-choice and Albert Bustamante (Texas) once for pro-choice. Another Texan, E. (Kika) de La Garza, voted once for and twice against abortion.

Planned Parenthood has embarked on a massive media campaign to lobby Congress over the next 60 days. It will take that long new federal regulations to go into effect.

Bills to amend the Supreme Court's ruling are being sponsored by Sen. John Chafee (R-I.) and Reps. John Porter (R-Ill.) and Ron Wyden (D-

Ore.) They would require federally financed family planning clinics to offer counseling on abortion and birth control.

But, warns Gilbert Paul Carasco, professor of law at Villanova University in Philadelphia, it will be difficult to muster the votes to amend the ruling. While "this is not a good climate for progressive legislation, for some in Congress this could be a free-speech, constitutional rights issue superseding the abortion issue," he says.

Some moderates and conservatives could be persuaded to support legislation that would nullify the court's decision, he believes.

Last year the Senate voted 62-36 on a similar provision attached to a family planning bill that was blocked by a filibuster. There was no House vote.

That ruling revolved around regulations issued by the Department of Health and Human Services in 1988 to prohibit abortion counseling under Title 10 of the 1970 Public Health Service Act. The regulations were challenged in *Rust vs. Sullivan* by the Hub, a South Bronx clinic run by Planned Parenthood in New York City.

Pro-choice activists say the ruling, which potentially affects 4.1 million women served by about 4,000 clinics, violates doctor-patient confidentiality and invites malpractice suits, in addition to limiting free speech.

Many clinics say they will forgo federal funding and keep abortion counseling. Planned Parenthood could lose an estimated \$34 million, says Trish Moylan Torruella, director of education for the Planned Parenthood Federation of America in New York.

In 1989, Latinas were 12 percent of the Planned Parenthood

program's contraceptive patients and 10 percent of their abortion patients. "For some of our affiliates it will be a loss of 50 percent of their budget," says Moylan Torruella. "They will not be in a position to provide any kinds of services, including sex education and contraception."

Helen Alvaré, director of planning and information for the Pro-Life Office at the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, responds, "If (Planned Parenthood) is so committed to making abortion just like a form of birth control, they'll have to live with the consequences." Luz Alvarez Martinez of Latinas for Reproductive Choice in Oakland, Calif., says, "Those who will be hurt the most are poor women and women of color."

Alvaré sees the decision as respecting the difference between planning a family and destroying a developing member of the family. Eileen Lichwiarz, director of U.S. Hispanic Outreach for Human Life International in Miami, calls Planned Parenthood's claim to care about minority women and smoke screen to hide what she describes as their real motivation: limiting the growth of the Hispanic population.

A 1988 study published by the Allen Guttmacher Institute revealed that Latinas are 8.4 percent of women aged 15-44 but make up 12.8 percent of abortion patients.

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"There is the perception that Latina women are Catholics and don't use abortion," says Moylan Torruella. "This is not the case."

Alvaré says Latinas seek abortions at a rate higher than would be expected "because of economic factors, not because of a theoretical decision to exercise a free choice." She suggests more alternatives are needed for Latinas. Catholic charities try to provide pregnant Latinas with medical care, housing, employment and adoption information.

Alvarez Martinez says Latinas "are not getting enough information on all the choices available to them" because of a biased medical system and language barriers.

The Court ruling confirms that the government can bar clinics from giving out information about abortion. If asked about the option, federal regulations require that respond: "The project does not consider abortion an appropriate method of family planning."

Asked if the 1973 *Roe vs. Wade* ruling, which established a woman's constitutional right to an abortion, will be overturned, Carrasco says, "It's unlikely *Roe* will survive in its present form."

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News Briefs

INTERFAITH IMPACT for Justice and Peace Legislative Update

On the first Friday of each month we will present the update in a different form. Instead of giving you descriptions of key legislation, I will list as many issues as possible and give you their status. Today I will list 18 issues in the 2 remaining minutes, so get your pen ready!

The Civil Rights bill, HR1, was passed in the House but without enough votes to guarantee a veto override.

There are 8 bills that could see floor votes in June.

In the House, they are:

- a vote for more WIC funding which may be in late June or early July;

- and a vote on the workplace fairness bill, HR5 and S55, will be toward the end of June.

Both Houses are expected to vote on funds for housing programs early this month.

Upcoming floor votes in the Senate are:

- The National Voter Registration Act, S250, on or about June 17;

- The Family Medical Leave Act, S5 and HR2 will be possibly this week;

- and the Biden violent crimes bill, S279, also known as the Brady bill, HR7, that was passed in the House;

- The Bryan bill for fuel efficiency, S279 and HR446, is waiting for Senator Mitchell to send it to the floor;

- and S596 and HR2194, legislation to require federal facilities to operate under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act is pending on the Senate floor.

Please contact your members of Congress and urge them to vote for these issues.

Educators Protest Nat'l Testing

UPI reports educators and civil rights groups are calling for educational reform before more student testing. In a letter to Congress, the Campaign for Genuine Accountability in Education said, "Politicians cannot simply mandate new tests and expect education to magically improve. Other reforms... must be in place first."

The Bush administration's America 2000 education reform strategy recommends establishing national standards on which to assess student achievement and would offer schools a test they can give students on a voluntary basis.

The group said in its letter that it supports the efforts of districts and states to develop and implement flexible, performance-based methods of assessment as part of wider efforts to reform curriculum and instruction. Jennifer Tucker, of the Center for Women Policy Studies urged performance-based tests as more fair to all racial, cultural, linguistic, gender and socio-economic groups and students with disabilities.

Call for New Investment in Youth

The N.Y. Times reports the National Commission on Children will call for a huge new investment in the nation's youth, including a \$1,000 federal tax credit for each child to increase the spendable income of all families with children. After two years of work, the federal advisory panel appointed by Congress has achieved consensus on measures to improve collection of child support, provide prenatal care, give families a wider choice of schools, and expand Head Start and the Job Corps. However, outnumbered Republicans on the panel dissent from a recommendation for "universal health insurance for children and pregnant women."

The panel's proposals are expected to provide a plan of action for Congress over the next decade. The last census counted 64 million people under 18 years old in the U.S. The commission's report expressed dismay that the nation's welfare policy "often unwittingly undermines the formation of stable nuclear families."

More Blacks Finish High School

The N.Y. Times reports the percentage of black students completing high school is improving much faster than for whites and Hispanics.

According to Census Bureau statistics for 1989, 86.8% of blacks had completed high school, compared with 72.1% in 1980. The percentage of other students finishing high school has shown little improvement in the past two decades.

Education experts point to a broadening of the black middle class, early childhood programs such as Head Start, and the greater availability of equivalency exam programs as factors in the large improvement, which many admit is puzzling.

Less encouraging are figures showing that test scores have not risen as fast as graduation rates, meaning that many graduates still enter the job market without needed skills. And the percentage of black high school graduates who go on to college has declined from 30% in 1978 to 28% in 1988.

Proctor & Gamble's Crest and Saralegui Establish Partnership



MIAMI, -- In an unprecedented endeavor to meet the expanding needs of U.S. Hispanic consumers, P&G has announced the partnership between Cristina Saralegui, hostess of the Univision talk-show "Cristina," and Crest, the nation's number one toothpaste brand.

According to the one-year contract, which makes Cristina the Hispanic spokesperson for Crest, the brand will sponsor Cristina's first national tour to six major U.S. Hispanic markets.

In addition, Crest will join Univision in sponsoring a goodwill "Smile Award" campaign by which more than \$100 thousand will be generated for humanitarian endeavors.

On behalf of Proctor & Gamble, Kirk Perry, Crest brand management, delivered a speech today outlining the affiliation and emphasizing the company's ongoing commitment to the U.S. Hispanic market.

"As part of this continual improvement process, this year we will become a partner with one of the Hispanic community's most successful women, Cristina. We are committed to the Hispanic consumer, and wholeheartedly believe this partnership will strengthen that

commitment by bringing us closer to our Hispanic consumer," he said.

This marks the first time that Cristina Saralegui has endorsed a product for a major corpora-

tion.

During the announcement,

Saralegui underscored Crest's leadership in the U.S. Hispanic market both as an ad-

vertiser and major community contributor.

¿Que Pasa?

Plainview Pickle Harvesters Will Appeal

The farm worker Plaintiffs in the 1988 Pickle harvesting case against W.C. Gunter, Gayley Manager, Inc. and Plainview Pickle Place announced today that they will appeal Thursday decision of federal district court Judge Sam R. Cummings. The district court judge found that Plainview farmers Billy Sylvester and Royce Blankenship were in charge of the harvest workers. The judge also found that Defendants W.C. Gunter, Gayley Managers, Inc., and the Plainview Pickle Place did not employ the workers. The farm workers will take their claims arising under federal law, the Agricultural Worker Protection Act, to a higher court, the Fifth Circuit of Appeals in New Orleans.

"Appellate courts have reversed numerous cases where farm workers like the Plaintiffs in this case were told by the trial court that the defendant was not their employer," said Rodolfo Mares, Jr. of Texas Rural Legal Aid, Inc. TRLA of Plainview and Hereford, Texas represented the Plaintiffs. "We firmly believe that the trial court's finding that the defendants did not employ the Plaintiffs was unjustified and will be reversed upon review by the Court of Appeals." Mares also stated that "the farm worker's pursuit of justice through the legal system is far from over."

During her six-city tour, which begins in September and extends into 1992, Saralegui will tape her program in Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Los Angeles, New York and Chicago.

Cristina, an original Univision production, airs on 581 U.S. broadcast and cable affiliates and in 12 countries throughout Latin America.

Crest, the first toothpaste to receive the ADA seal, has been the leading toothpaste brand in the United States for 30 years. A product of The Procter & Gamble Company, Crest is a major sponsor of Hispanic organizations and community projects on national and local levels.

Politics Equals Business

By Raoul Lowery Contreras

Like a ferocious swarm of attacking killer bees, the famous Israeli lobby in Washington, D.C., seeks out and vigorously attacks anyone who even hints at damaging Israel's interests in the United States. And, as Israel's exchequer is the U.S. Treasury, Israel's interests in the U.S. Congress are as total and overwhelming as is the Israeli lobby.

And a fine role model it is for the new Mexican lobby. Mexican lobby? Yes, a Mexican lobby that found success in its first national and Washington, D.C., test: fast-track negotiating authority for President Bush's free-trade union with Mexico.

The genesis of the Mexican lobby lies in three areas. The first is a personal effort by a Harvard-educated Mexican president who, upon assuming office, immediately set out to cultivate Americans of Mexican descent. Mexican Americans. Enlisting their political help in the United States for the first time became a priority for the Mexican government.

The second area of genesis is in the stratospheric increase in Hispanic business formations during the 1980s, a phenomenal increase of 81 percent. Of the 422,000 Hispanic-owned businesses, 54 percent are owned by Mexican Americans.

As Harold Martinez, business owner and president of the Latin in Business Association of Los Angeles, says, Politics equals business. Unless we go out and advocate and demand participation in the legislatures, in Congress and in corporate America, we will remain (minor leaguers).

The third area of the Mexican lobby's genesis is a combination of the first two Mexican has cast aside its centuries-old dislike for its children north of the border, and this has coincided with a resurgence of cultural affinity by Americans of Mexican descent to a Mexican millennium and the half-millennium since Columbus. So now men in three-piece suits and women in their Ralph Lauren's are setting aside balance sheets to join in with "La Bamba" and Linda Ronstadt's "Canciones De Mi Padre."

For Americans of Mexican descent, for Mexican Americans, it is no longer unfashionable to be what we are -- of Mexican origin.

Pride and accomplishments burgeoned throughout the '80s in Mexican American communities. Our population exploded over 15 million for the first time, with hundreds of thousands of us in business, millions of us educated and literate, and the number of us graduating from college growing exponentially.

The infant Mexican lobby needed only an issue to coalesce around, and it fell into their laps with free trade.

Free trade means business; business means politics, and politics and business mean prosperity for most of us. This is why most existing Mexican American groups supported free trade. More importantly, an ad hoc group, the Hispanic Alliance For Free Trade organized spontaneously and flooded Washington, D.C., with men and women who buttonholed every congressman they could find.

They joined the Mexican government's multimillion-dollar lobbying effort, its first in the United States, and cut through the opposition like a scythe. Determined Mexican American men and women raised money, were given crash courses in lobbying and joined the fray with gusto. Their reward -- victory.

A few hankies wringers among us, such as the Los Angeles Times' house Mexican, Chicano studies professor Rodolfo Acuna, weep for the sellout of Mexican groups and businessmen to a North American free-trade future. He rails at our dropping up the ruling political party of Mexico, the PRI, but fails to recognize the business-based opposition and aligns himself with the left-wing radicalism Mexicans left behind when they juked state socialism. "Working class Latinos on both sides of the border," Acuna writes, need Big Brother's protection. So, he continues, does Mexico's sovereignty, which he fears will become a casualty as the United States increases its influence in Mexico with each new factory, each new joint venture and each new contract.

Acuna and his ilk notwithstanding, the true guardian of his "working class Latinos on both sides of the border" is the man and woman of business -- El Patron -- the business owner.

He or she's the one who opens a taco shop in a location where Anglo businesses have failed; the one who opens a tailor shop; the one who buys produce at 3:00 a.m. and drives through barrio streets peddling his cucumbers and lettuce; or the one who buys a hoe and shovel and goes door-to-door selling "landscaping" services.

Jose's Auto Body Shop, Victoria's Videos En Espanol, El Mojado Beer, Wine, Groceries and Fresh Tomales (a real store in San Diego), newspapers named la Prensa (fill in the city), Garcia's Typesetting and (now) Desk Top Publishing... Welcome to America.

Professor Acuna whimpers, "Bush and GOP leaders see free trade as an opportunity to... Republicanize the Latino middle class." In this, he is joined by three Mexican American Democrat congressmen, Henry Gonzalez of Texas and Californians Esteban Torres and Matthew Martinez. These are the Trade Union Three who voted against fast track.

Can anyone imagine a Jewish congressman voting against the interests of Israel, regardless of the desires of labor unions? The Mexican lobby is at the toddler stage, and in learning from the Israeli lobby, it is learning from the best.

Que dos preguntas deberia hacer un padre a un hijo?

Por F.A. Chávez

Nació el Día de los Padres, el domingo 16 de Junio de 1940. Fui el noveno hijo, y me seguirían dos más. Aunque el nuestro era un hogar lleno hasta en tope de amor y nunca crecimos de cariño por parte de nuestros padres, en una familia de tantos niños algunas cosas deberían ser evidentes.

Una de ellas era que nunca nos malcriaron. No había tiempo ni dinero para eso.

Nunca exigimos "Twinkles" ni refrescos de soda procedentes de la tienda. Solamente esperábamos, y por lo general recibímos, un para de comidas sólidas cada día.

Otra cosa, más importante probablemente que cualquier otra, era que se esperaba poco de nosotros en materia de excelencia. En verdad, para las niñas era sencillamente suficiente el casarse. Para los niños, las normas eran casi las

What 2 questions should a Father ask a Son?

By F.A. Chávez

I was born on Father's Day, Sunday, June 16, 1940. I was the ninth child, with two more to follow. Although ours was a home filled to the brim with love and we never lacked for affection from our parents, in a family of so many children a few things should be obvious.

For one thing, we were never spoiled. There was no time or money for that. We never demanded Twinkies and soda pop from the grocery. We only expected, and generally received, a couple of solid meals each day.

For another thing, probably more important than anything else, little in the way of excellence was expected of us. In fact, for the girls it was enough simply to get married. For the boys, the standards were nearly the same. Get a job and get seniority on the job. Through a combination of favorable genetics, a good economic climate for Hispanics in Los Angeles, and plain old good luck most of us have done very well, thank you. These same children own homes, businesses, have some education, some big game trophies, and even a T-Bill or two. Perhaps we are not in the center of the mainstream, but we're quite a distance from the mud and trash along the bank of the river.

This year Father's Day falls on my birthday again. So what has changed in the past 51 years that might be significant?

My two children, down drastically from my parents's 11, remain unspoiled. Well, maybe an occasional Twinkie or a soda pop, but never because they demand it. The major change has been that a compulsion for excellence has replaced the apathy of our parents.

Certain over vague changes have occurred over the past century in our family. At first, long ago, there was a pride in our "conquistador" heritage. Then there was a denial that we were ever a part of it. For some of my generation, the denial often took on what was almost a renunciation of our past. We wanted to be white so very badly, to fit in, to assure ourselves of a piece of the Great American Pie.

Things have changed. My son's and daughter's genera-

tion is not into denial. Rather, they are into affirmation and self-respect about their cultural ancestry. At times -- and we know it is wrong -- their attitude skirts the fringes of egotism and conceit.

My father, bless his 91 year old, retired-from-the-railroad-after-48-years-of-service heart, still expects very little from me.

When I visit him in Los Angeles every few months, his first two questions are always the same. "Are you working?" is the first. "Are you getting seniority?" is the second. I always answer "Yes" to both. By doing so, I have fulfilled his expectations and he is content.

When I visit with my children, one at Harvard and the other at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, I also ask questions. "How is school?" and "How are your grades?" They have grown to understand my hopes as I grow to understand my father's desires for me. So they answer, "School is fine" and "My grades look pretty good," and I'm content. At least until the next call or visit.

I remember some lyrics in one of Sinatra's old songs. "It's a shame that life, like youth, is wasted on the young."

I asked my son, during a very serious conversation on the subject, how many children he would like to have. He answered seriously and without hesitation, "About 15." Have we come full circle?

My generation can boast, and often does, of the progress we have made and the barriers we have torn down. It's only when we seriously contemplate our misguided and wasted past that we can admit, if only to ourselves, that many of those barricades were ones we erected ourselves. Out limits, like it or not, are often self-imposed.

All children, including yours and mine, should be prodded toward objectives that they might think (and we often believe) are beyond their reach. How much farther down the road would we be if our fathers had demanded as much of us? (F.A. Chávez, of McLoud, Okla., is a businessman and frequent contributor to Hispanic Link.)

Happy Father's Day to Todos From El Editor Newspaper & All the Staff

CRAZY HORSE

BY STEPHEN C. MCINTYRE

There was an interesting article in the May issue of the "Maryknoll" magazine. It was entitled "Chile's long road back". The article discussed some of the effects of the U.S. sponsored coup in Chile in 1973.

(C)hile's long democratic traditions were crushed under the tanks that rumbled through Santiago in September, 1973 and opened fire on the presidential palace. When the smoke settled, President Allende was dead (apparently by his own hand) and the military was in control of the government. For the next 16 years, Augusto Pinochet ruled Chile with an iron fist, returning nationalized companies to their previous owners, outlawing independent labor unions and silencing opposition through mass arrests, torture and "disappearances."

On October 18, 1988, Chileans voted a resounding "No!" in a plebiscite on whether or not the military should be allowed to retain control of the government for another nine years. Fourteen months later, voters ousted Pinochet by electing Patricio Aylwin president. Despite gerrymandered electoral districts and vote-counting procedures skewed to favor Pinochet rightists, Aylwin's coalition of 13 opposition parties won a large majority in the lower house of Chile's congress,,,

Other vestiges of dictatorship remain, including Pinochet's continued command of the army. During their 16-year reign, the military rulers completely overhauled Chile's economy and society and left behind a constitution and laws designed to keep their "protected democracy" unchanged... Before leaving office, the Joint Chief of Staff and other Pinochet-dominated institutions appointed nine of the senate's 38 members. Thus, Pinochet forces block major reform since three-fifths majority is needed in both houses of congress for constitutional changes.

With the country remaining under the Constitution of 1980 promulgated by Pinochet and ratified by a bogus referendum--the armed forces maintain a virtual stranglehold on Chilean political life through their majority participation on the National Security Council. The Council has the power to declare any law null and void as a treat to the nation's welfare. the present system also denies the president power to appoint or remove military commanders or to cut the arms budget or the size of the military.

What's more, all but 16 of Chile's 325 mayors are Pinochet appointees who, along with government workers, by law may not be removed from office."

The "Maryknoll" magazine is put out by the Maryknoll missioner folks in New York. You may have heard about them from time to time when it is reported that another Catholic is tortured and killed in Central America or South America.

If you have a free evening check out the movie "Missing. Jack Lemmon and Sissy Spacek are in it. It tells the very powerful story of the U.S. coup in Chile in 1973.

6/13 1966 Miranda v. Arizona (right to remain silent,...)

6/15 1215 Magna Carta

6/17 1972 Watergate burglary

1838 "Trail of Tears": Indians forced to march 1200 miles

1873 Susan B. Anthony arrested for voting

6/19 Emancipation Day (Juneteenth)

A recent American Medical Association study was discussed in the May 31, 1991 Texas Observer. The study determined "that doctor's pre-tax income rose 73 percent after expenses (including malpractice premiums) during the last decade, to an average of \$155,800--this during a period when high-income professionals' taxes were being drastically lowered."

On October 5, 1990 there was a vote on an amendment to strike the provisions of the Racial Justice Act, H.R. 5269, that prohibited the execution of prisoners who demonstrate that their death sentence was imposed because of racial discrimination. The amendment was defeated but without the vote of Congressman Combest.

I bet you good 'ole Larry would think differently if he was convicted and sentenced by an all minority jury and he proved that racism was the reason he was going to be executed. Of course, that ain't going to happen to any white person in West Texas.

Born in the days of the Missing

Baptized in the blood of the Disappeared

Now bathed anew in the waters of freedom

Chile's youth shout for joy.

And long may the echo endure
Drowning forever the cries from the stadium
Where Chilean democracy died.

"Chile reborn" by James Campion

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ga su corazón de jubilado del ferrocarril después de 48 años de servicio, y que ahora tiene 91 de edad, aún espera muy poco de mí. Cuando le biscoito en Los Angeles cada pocos meses, sus primeras dos preguntas son siempre las mismas. "¿Estás trabajando?" es la primera. "¿Estás acumulando antigüedad?" es la segunda. Siempre le contesto que "sí" a ambas. Al hacer esto, he satisfecho sus expectativas y el está contento.

Cuando visito a mis hijos, uno de los cuales está en Harvard y la otra en la Universidad de Nevada, recinto de Las Vegas, también les hago preguntas. "¿Cómo va la escuela?" y "¿Cómo están tus calificaciones?" Ellas han llegado a comprender mis esperanzas como yo llegué a comprender los deseos de mi padre para mí. De modo que ellos responden:

"La escuela va bien" y "Mis calificaciones lucen bastante bien," y yo me siento satisfecho.

Han ocurrido ciertos otros cambios indefinidos durante el último siglo en nuestra familia. Al principio, hace tiempo, hubo un orgullo de que hubiéramos sido alguna vez parte de ella. Para algunos de mi generación, la negativa a menudo tomó la apariencia de lo que era casi una renuncia de nuestro pasado. Queríamos ser blancos con tanto empeño, encajar, asegurarnos para nosotros mismos un pedazo del Gran Pastel Estadounidense.

Las cosas han cambiado. La generación de mi hijo y de mi hija no está sumergida en la negatividad. Antes bien, se halla en la afirmación y el respeto propio acerca de su ancestro cultural. A veces -- y sabemos que está mal -- su actitud raya en los bordes del egoísmo y de la presunción.

Recuerdo parte de la letra en una de las antiguas canciones de Frank Sinatra. "Es una vergüenza que la vida, como la juventud, se malgasten en los jóvenes.

Le pregunté a mi hijo, du-

rante una conversación muy seria sobre el asunto, cuánto hijos le gustaría tener. El respondió con seriedad y sin vacilación: "Alrededor de quince." ¿Hemos cerrado el círculo?

Mi generación puede jactarse, y a veces lo hace, del adelanto que hemos realizado y de los obstáculos que hemos derribado. Es solamente cuando contemplamos seriamente a nuestro pasado mal orientado y despreciado, que podemos reconocer, aunque sea únicamente para nosotros mismos, que muchos de esos obstáculos fueron erigidos por nosotros mismos. Nuestros límites, gústenos o no, a menudo son auto-impuestos.

Todos los niños, incluyendo a los nuestros y a los míos, deberían de ser agujoneados hacia los objetivos que ellos pudieran pensar (y que nosotros a menudo creemos) que se hallen más allá de su alcance. ¿Cuánto más adelante estaríamos en el camino, si nuestros padres hubieran exigido tanto de nosotros?

(F.A. Chávez, de McLoud, Oklahoma, es comerciante y hace aportes frecuentes a Hispanic Link.)

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El asunto del aborto agita a los hispanos en casa y en el congreso

Por Teresa Puente

En los próximos días, los dirigentes políticos de la nación se enfocarán a un asunto que está ocasionando una división cada vez más amarga entre los hispanos de los Estados Unidos. Se espera que el Congreso se oponga al dictamen del Tribunal Supremo de los Estados Unidos del 23 de Mayo, en el sentido de que las clínicas que acepten fondos federales tienen prohibido el mencionar al aborto como una alternativa para las pacientes. Pero, para que cualquier proyecto se convierta en ley, se da por sentado que el Congreso tendrá que pasar por encima de un voto presidencial.

El asunto en cuestión no ha encontrado un consenso entre los miembros hispanos del Congreso.

Habieron tres pases de lista claves relacionados con el aborto en la Cámara de Representantes de los Estados Unidos en 1990: Sobre la planificación familiar en el extranjero, el aborto en las bases militares y la dotación de fondos para el aborto en el Distrito de Columbia.

En estos tres pases de lista, cinco de los diez miembros hispanos con voto se decidieron por la selección libre: Edward Roybal, Matthew Martínez, Esteban Torres (estos tres de California), Henry B. González, de Tejas, y José

Serrano, de Nueva York. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (de la Florida, única republicana del grupo) y Solomón Ortiz (de Texas) votaron en contra de los primeros. Bill Richardson (de Nuevo México) votó dos veces por la sección y Albert Bustamante (de Texas) votó una vez por la selección. Otro texano, E. (Kika) de la Garza, votó una vez a favor y dos veces en contra del aborto.

La entidad Planned Parenthood (Planificación Familiar) se ha empeñado en una campaña impresionante en los medios informativos para cabilar al Congreso durante los 60 días próximos. Se necesitará ese espacio de tiempo para que los nuevos reglamentos federales entren en vigor.

Los proyectos de ley para enmendar al dictamen del Tribunal Supremo están siendo auspiciados por el Senador John Chafee (republicano por Rhode Island) y los Representantes John Porter (republicano por Illinois) y Ron Wyden (demócrata por Oregon). Estos despondrían que las clínicas de planificación familiar dotadas de fondos federales ofrecieran asesoramiento sobre el aborto y el control de la natalidad.

Pero, según advierte Gilbert Carrasco, profesor de derecho en la Universidad de Villanova, en Filadelfia, será difícil juntar los votos para

proporcionar a las latinas en estado de gestación los servicios de atención médica, vivienda, empleo e información sobre la adopción.

Alvarez Martínez dice que las latinas "no están obteniendo suficiente información sobre todas las alternativas disponibles para ellas," debido a un sistema médico prejuiciado y a las barreras idiomáticas.

El dictamen del Tribunal Supremo dice que las clínicas no pueden dar ninguna información sobre el aborto. Se les instruye que, cuando reciban preguntas, contesten: "El proyecto no estima que el aborto es un método adecuado de planificación familiar."

Al preguntársele si el dictamen del caso "Roe vs. Wade" de 1973, que estableció el derecho constitucional de las mujeres para abortar, será revocado, el Profesor Carrasco responde: "Es improbable que la decisión del caso Roe vs. Wade sobreviva en su forma actual."

(Teresa Puente es reportera del semanario nacional "Hispanic Link Weekly Report," de Washington, D.C.)

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Un estudio de 1988 publicado por el Instituto Allen Guttmacher reveló que las latinas son el 8.4% de las mujeres entre las edades de 15 y 44 años, pero que forman el 12.8% de las pacientes del aborto.

"Hay la percepción de que las mujeres latinas son católicas y no emplean el aborto," dice Moylán Torruella. "Esto no es así."

Alvare dice que las latinas procuran abortos a un ritmo más alto que su porcentaje de la población "debido a factores económicos, no por razón de una decisión teórica de ejercitarse una libertad de selección." Ella sugiere que se necesitan más alternativas para las latinas. Caridades Católicas trata de

ENTRETENIMIENTO

"Hablando de Hollywood"

Por: Estrellita

Que tal, amigos y amigas, nuevamente estoy aquí para dejarles saber cuáles son las noticias más interesantes sobre el impredecible mundo de Hollywood... Para comenzar les diré que Taylor Hackford, el productor de "La Bamba" ya se encuentra en pleno rodaje de su nueva producción. Es, dicen las noticias que hemos podido escuchar durante los últimos días, un filme que seguramente causará grandes controversias entre los miembros de la comunidad hispana. Por el momento yo sólo les diré que se trata de un filme protagonizado por Edward James Olmos y que su argumento gira alrededor de las pandillas... La actriz Julie Carmen y el actor Robert Beltran siguen trabajando incansablemente por colocarse en el fir-

mamento de Hollywood. La próxima semana ambos podrán ser vistos en el más reciente filme en el que intervienen juntos. Se trata de una historia de tintes policiacos en la que ellos dos tienen una destacada participación... Por su parte Cheech Marin también anda feliz de la vida. Resulta que luego de estar pensando durante varios meses, la compañía productora 20th Century Fox decidió aprobar el proyecto que tenía Marin para una serie televisiva. Dirigida y escrita por el propio Cheech Marin, la mencionada serie llevará como actores principales a los miembros del grupo "Culture Clash." No hace falta decir que con la experiencia y sensibilidad de Marin, el humor de "Culture Clash" lucirá en todo su esplendor... Y

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La enmienda que se propone, aparecerá sobre la boleta de votación en los siguientes términos:

"Enmienda constitucional que autorice a los votantes de los distritos escolares a nivel de condado, a adoptar ciertas exenciones de la tributación al valor (ad valorem) en dicho distrito a los hogares residenciales, y a disponer la recaudación de impuestos a ciertos bienes personales tangibles."

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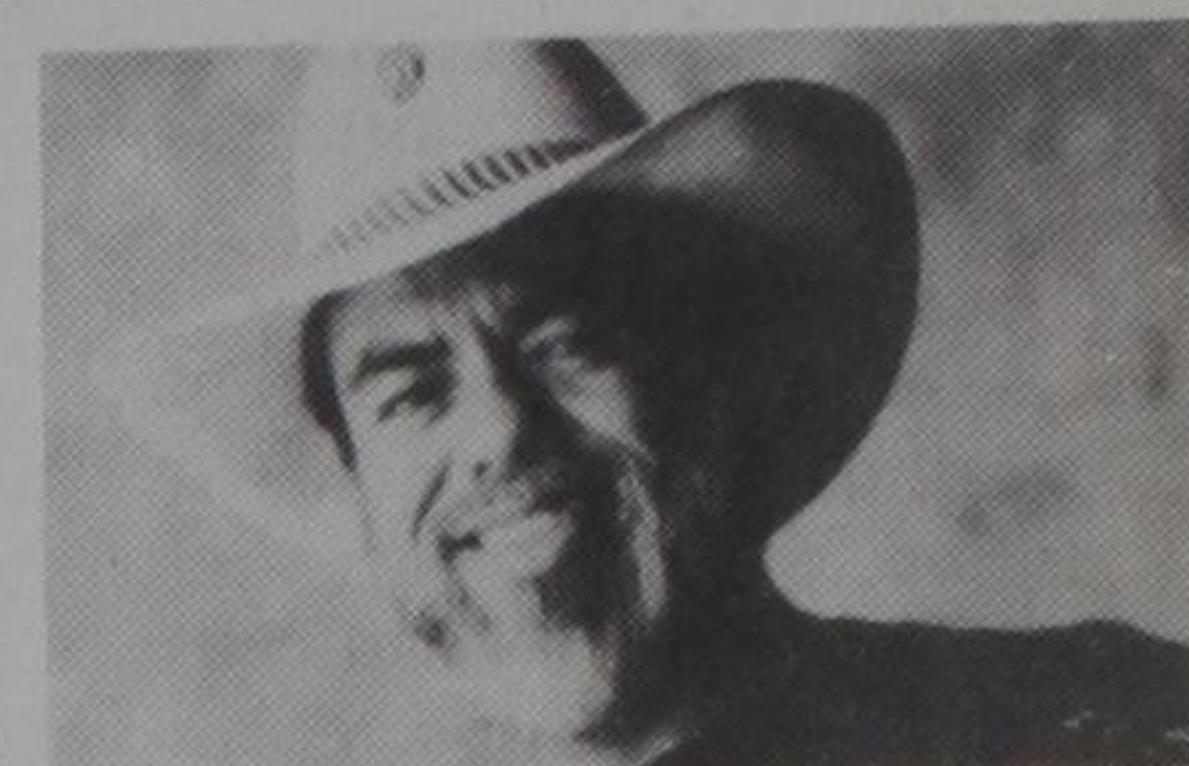
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SILVIA PINAL

MEXICO, D.F.—La candidatura de Irma Serrano al Senado de México "me parece simpática y divertida", dijo la actriz mexicana Silvia Pinal, postulada como candidata a diputada por el gobernante Partido Revolucionario Institucional (PRI).

Pinal, quien fue entrevistada luego de la toma de protesta de los candidatos del PRI a senadores, diputados y asambleístas, confió en obtener el triunfo por el distrito electoral 25 de la capital mexicana, donde fue postulada para los comicios federales de agosto próximo.

Se refirió a la postulación de Irma Serrano "La Tigresa", quien contendrá por la senaduría del estado sureño de Chiapas, nominada por el Partido Frente Cardenista de Reconstrucción Nacional (PFCRN), organismo que se considera de oposición.

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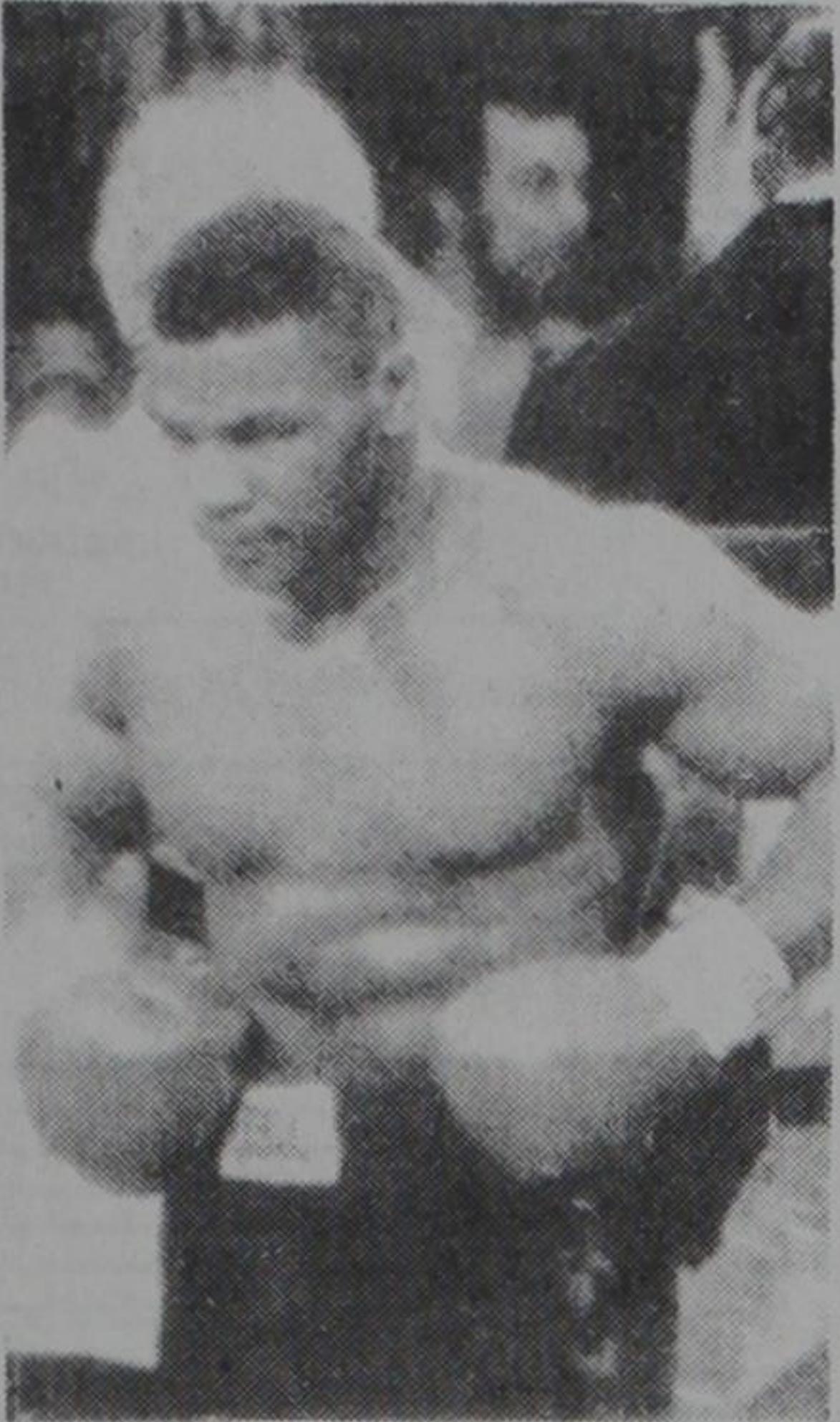
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Tyson was the undisputed heavyweight champion until he lost the title to James "Buster" Douglas on Feb. 11, 1990. Holyfield took the title from Douglas last Oct. 25.

aceptó. "No tiene ninguna excusa, ya que soy yo quien lleva la gente a la arena, él no es 'carita'."

El "Maromero", tercero peso ligero del mundo, dijo "estoy listo para pelear con Villasana, Julio César Chávez, el puertorriqueño Héctor "Macho" Camacho o quien sea".

Afadió que "quienes más me han golpeado son las mujeres, a pesar de que he tenido peleas muy duras".

Respecto a la posibilidad de participar en la política nacional, rechazó el punto diciendo "cada quien a lo suyo, la gente que hoy me sigue no lo haría para darme el voto, ya ven como le fue a Rubén Olivares, definitivamente no naci para eso".

No estoy loco y me voy a retirar muy pronto pero para nunca volver. Tengo inversiones en casas y terrenos.



AARON AT BAT

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What are the real differences between the National and American leagues? Of course there are some very basic differences, the biggest being the American League allows a designated hitter. But there also are some other, subtle differences.

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Having a designated hitter certainly makes for better offensive play, and the fans like that. They want to see a lot of runs scored.

I played all but two of my years in the National League. The last two I played for the American-League Milwaukee Brewers as a designated hitter. Making the transition from playing the whole game to being just a designated hitter was not easy. I was used to getting into the whole rhythm of the game, shifting from defense to offense and so on. Suddenly, all I had to do between trips to the plate was think about that last time I was up with bases loaded and popped up!

But I found the real difference in league play to be the strike zone. The umpires in the American League call the strike zone higher and a bit bigger than they do in the National League. Because there is much more of a target to throw to, American-League pitchers work the ball around the plate more than they do in the National League.

Believe it or not, a big reason for the differences in the strike zone is that National-League umpires wear their chest protectors on the inside of their jackets while the American-League umpires wear their chest protectors on the outside of their jackets. Wearing their chest protectors on the outside prevents American-League umpires from squatting down as low as the National-League umpires. Other than that, the umpiring from league to league is basically the same.

There are a lot of older parks in the American League and not as many AstroTurf fields. Still, there is a popular notion that the National League is the more "traditional" of the two leagues. I disagree with that idea. Baseball is traditional. It is a game steeped in tradition, and the few rule changes they've made over the years have not changed the game much at all in either league.

What I'd like to see is a uniform brand of baseball. If they're never going to get the designated hitter in the National League — and I don't think it ever will happen — then get rid of it in the American League. I think that would be best for the game, and although they might miss the better offense, I think that's what the fans want. **Id**

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Un Rayito De Luz

por Sofia Martinez

Parece que a muchos cristianos no les gusta, o no quieren, pensar en el "fin del mundo". Prefieren hacer a un lado esa realidad, que nos habla del fin de nuestra vida y del fin de todo lo bueno que nos rodea. Los que piensan así, se están imaginando un fin muy trágico: El sol, y la luna, y las estrellas, y todo va a ser destruido completamente...Esa es la idea que tienen muchos cristianos sobre el fin del mundo.

Pero...hay muchas personas que no piensan en el fin del mundo porque no lo ven cerca; se sienten seguros de que no lo van a vivir. Por eso les interesa muy poco, o no les interesa nada. Pero al final del tiempo tiene mucho que ver con nuestra vida. Y eso no quiere decir que debemos de estar muy asustados, o que debemos de portarnos bien por si acaso nos tocará pasar por esos momentos...(Marcos 13,24-32).

Nuestra vida va a tener mucho que ver con el fin del mundo, no por lo que nos imaginamos que va a pasar, sino por el sentido profundo que le dio Jesucristo.

El profeta Daniel anuncia que Dios va a dar una sentencia justa a favor de los pobres y de los humildes, y de los oprimidos...Será un día de triunfo para los que han sido tratados injustamente en este mundo. Dios va a hacer brillar Su justicia sobre todos aquellos que le han sido fieles. Jesucristo nos habla del "fin del mundo" en una forma sorprendente para hacer notar mejor la novedad del Reino de Dios, all llegar a ser extendido por toda la tierra. Entonces podremos compartir los valores del Reino, para siempre. Es cierto que Jesucristo "ha de venir a juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos", como decimos en El Credo. Lo sabemos y, a veces, lo recordamos con cierto temor

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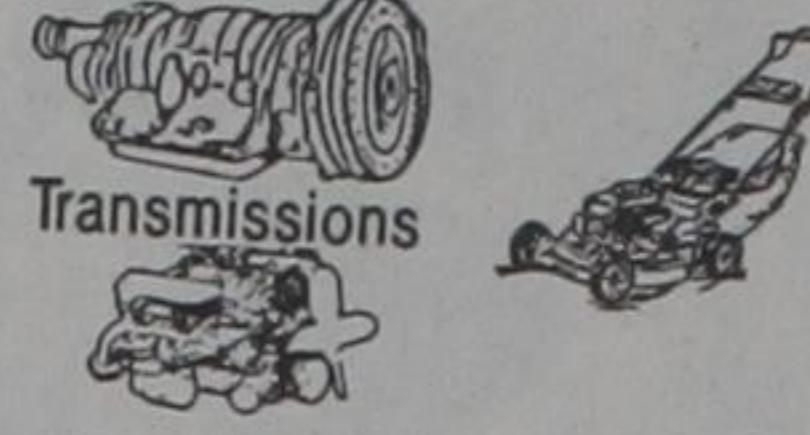
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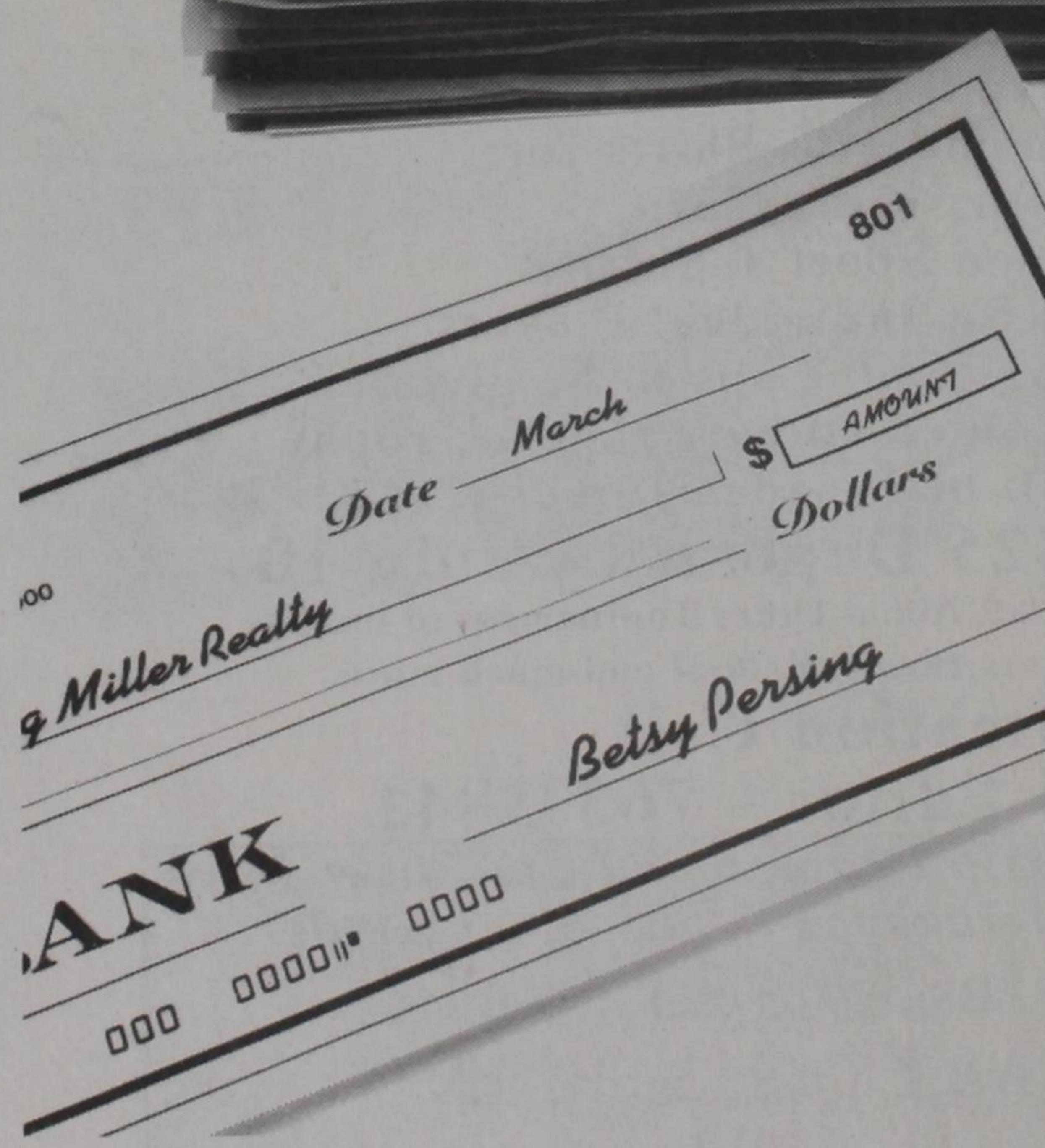
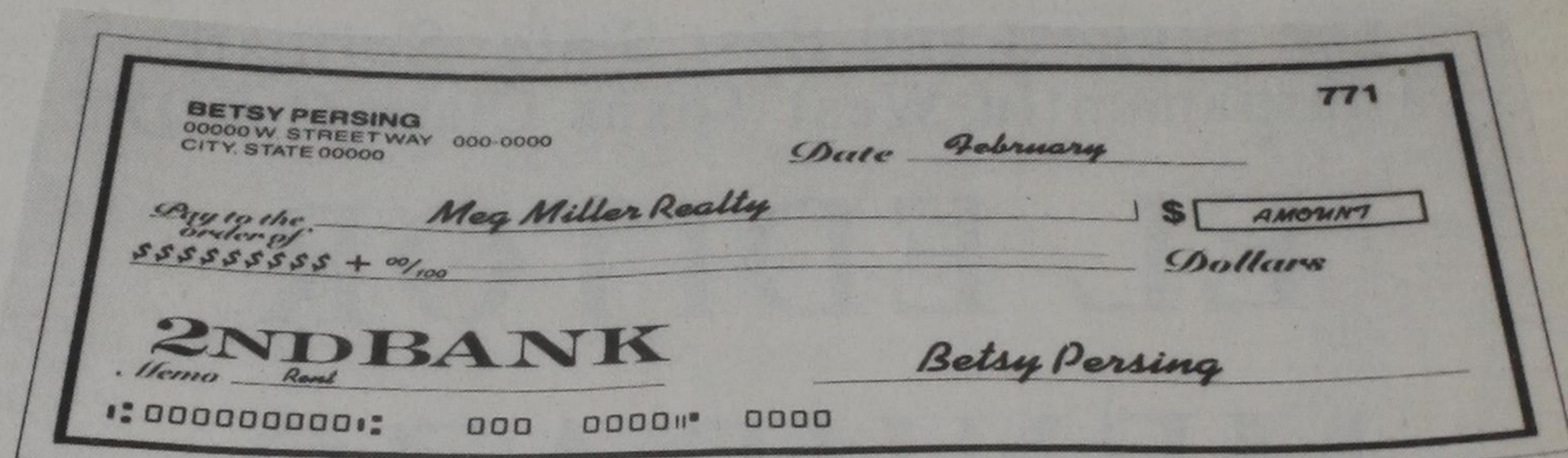
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