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SUNDAY

U.N. chief makes a plea for peace; Congress approves war resolution

By DAVID BEARD
Associated Press Writer

The U.N. secretary-general talked with Iraqi officials Saturday to make a plea for peace, while the U.S. Congress gave President Bush permission to wage war.

Iraq announced that its parliament has been summoned to an emergency session on Monday, one day before the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait or face possible attack.

But Iraqi officials also reiterated there was no change in Iraq's refusal to withdraw from the occupied emirate. There were no further details on the emergency session.

Saddam has used the rubber-stamp parliament before to give a democratic veneer to capitulations in the five-month Persian Gulf crisis, such as the release last month of foreign captives.

The last six American diplomats in Baghdad, meanwhile, lowered the U.S. Embassy flag and flew to Germany on Saturday. They were the latest in a growing exodus of foreigners from the Iraqi capital ahead of Tuesday's deadline.

Hours later, the State Department ordered Iraq's ambassador in Washington to cut his Iraqi staff to four, "to reduce Iraq's capability to orchestrate terrorism in the event of Gulf hostilities."

The House and Senate, after three

days of anguished debate, on Saturday afternoon gave Bush the authority to use force against Iraq after the U.N. deadline. The Senate vote was 52-47; the House vote was 250-183.

Both houses of Congress earlier rejected a Democratic call for continued reliance on diplomacy and economic sanctions to compel Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

Bush said the vote authorizing use of force "unmistakably demonstrates the U.S. commitment" to an unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait.

The president said war could still be avoided if Iraq begins a "massive, rapid withdrawal of its troops from Kuwait" before the Jan. 15 deadline.

He refused to say what action he would take if Saddam continues to defy withdrawal demands after the deadline, but said he would be inclined to act "sooner rather than later."

Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, greeted U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar on his arrival in Baghdad, and the two met twice later in the day. U.N. officials said Perez de Cuellar would meet Saddam on Sunday.

"As you know very well, I come here as a messenger of peace," the U.N. chief told reporters. "I am not bringing any specific proposal, all I bring is not only my good will to find a peaceful solution ... I bring

the wish of the international community for a peaceful solution."

On Friday, however, he gained European Community support for an idea to send a U.N. peacekeeping force to the gulf following a simultaneous pullback of Iraqi troops and the multinational force.

Italy's foreign minister, Gianni De Michelis, said an EC delegation may go to Baghdad before Tuesday if the U.N. mission fails.

Perez de Cuellar said he would discuss a wide range of issues with Saddam, including the Iraqi demand to link a settlement of the gulf crisis to the Arab-Israeli dispute - a linkage that Washington has repeatedly rejected.

Also Saturday, Syrian President Hafez Assad, in an unusual gesture, urged his sworn enemy Saddam to quit Kuwait or face a catastrophe that would only benefit Israel - a common enemy.

Secretary of State James A. Baker III was in Damascus for talks with Assad, a key Arab member of the U.S.-dominated coalition against Iraq. He later flew to Turkey.

Baker said he welcomed the diplomatic intervention of Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, who according to the White House has launched a new initiative to resolve the gulf crisis.

The White House would not provide details of the Soviet initiative, although a U.S. official traveling

with Baker said it differs from other peace proposals in not calling for an international conference to resolve the Palestinian conflict.

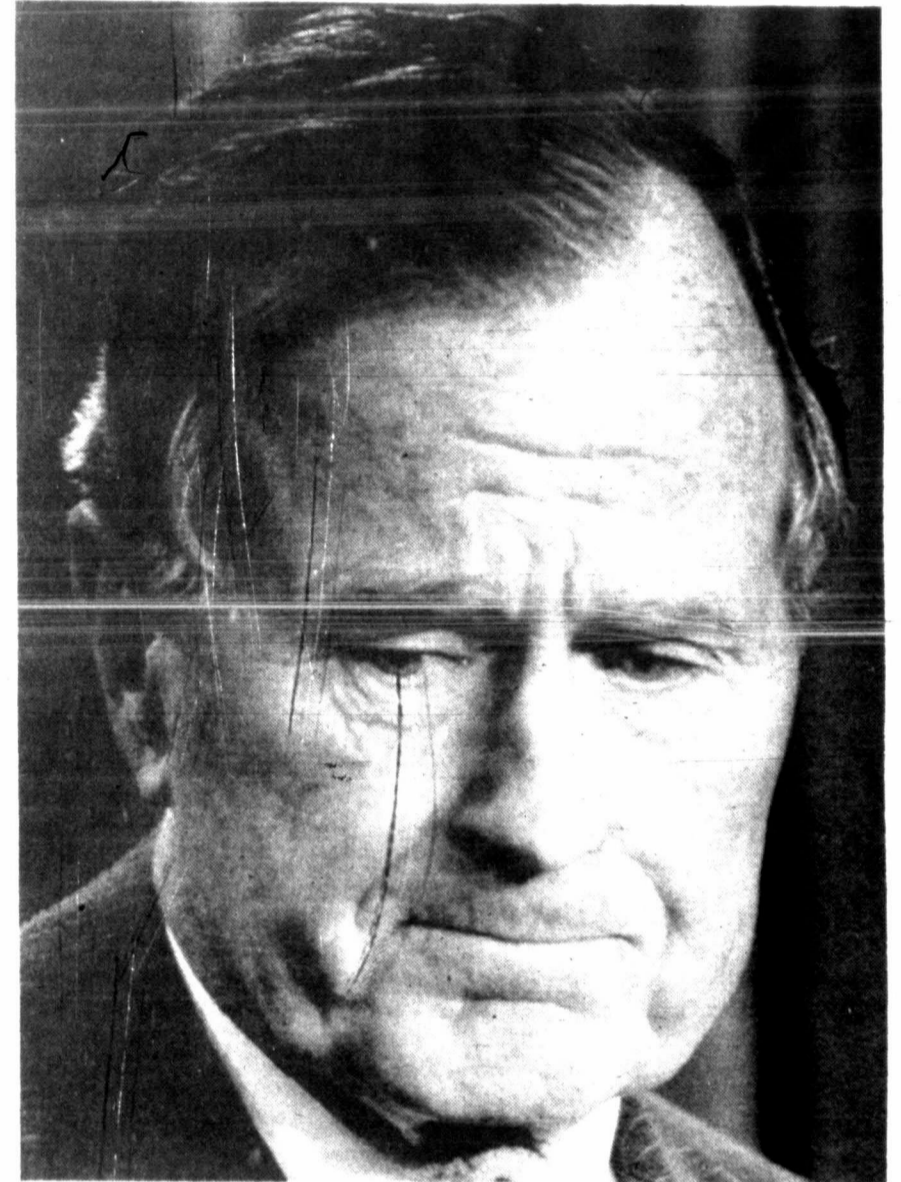
Also Saturday, the commander of the U.S. Navy's Middle East Force accused Iraq of sowing mines in the gulf, and said U.S.-led forces have detonated 17 in the region since December.

"This is a threat to be taken seriously," Rear Adm. William M. Fogarty said in Bahrain, adding that some of the mines apparently broke free from Iraqi defenses off the coast of Kuwait.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency reported that Iranian tankers in the gulf have spotted 200 drifting mines over the past four days. They could pose a threat to the more than 100 ships in U.S.-led armada arrayed against Iraq in the region.

The United States was the latest nation to evacuate its personnel from Baghdad. Germany, Greece and Australia have also sent embassy staff home. At least 13 embassies have said they will follow suit.

More than 600,000 troops in the multinational force, including 360,000 Americans, confront 540,000 Iraqi troops in southern Iraq and Kuwait. Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2 in a dispute over land, oil and money.



(AP Laserphoto)

President Bush pauses during a White House news conference Saturday shortly after Congress empowered him to use force in the Persian Gulf. Bush said that Congress' vote "unmistakably demonstrates the United States' commitment to enforce a complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait."

All-State choir



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Pictured are the Pampa High School students who were selected as members or alternates to the All-State Choir in recent competition. They are, from left, Carmen Santacruz, first alternate - first alto; Chantelle Rohrbacher, third chair - soprano; Shelley Vinson, first alternate - second alto; Ginger Meers, second alternate - second soprano; and Suzy Wilson, fourth chair - second soprano.

Tensions run high in Lithuania

By DEBORAH SEWARD
Associated Press Writer

VILNIUS, U.S.S.R. (AP) - Soviet troops occupied more buildings in Lithuania Saturday, and Russian President Boris Yeltsin confronted Mikhail S. Gorbachev and condemned the military crackdown at a stormy Kremlin meeting.

The neighboring Baltic republic of Estonia, meanwhile, braced for the planned deployment of 2,000 Soviet paratroopers today.

At least eight people have been injured in Lithuania since Friday, when Soviet troops smashed into six government buildings in the Kremlin's latest attempt to halt the republic's 10-month-old independence drive.

Before dawn Saturday, Soviet troops seized buildings belonging to the Lithuanian police academy and a villa that recently was occupied by the republic's national guard.

Hundreds of pro-independence Lithuanians maintained a weekend vigil at the republic's main television station and about 1,000 people, including uniformed nationalist guards with rifles and metal rods, stood guard outside parliament.

Asked if the military would take any action against the hundreds of people who have formed an armed guard inside parliament, Gen. Vladimir Puskobchik, the head of the Vilnius garrison, said "such a

possibility could arise."

He and Gen. Antis Viskotskis, the military commissar for Lithuania, said troops were trying to ensure that property belonging to the Communist Party and the Soviet Defense Ministry remained under their control.

Yeltsin, Gorbachev's chief political rival, bitterly criticized the crackdown in a meeting with the Soviet leader, warning that military force could provoke violence in other regions and unleash "wide-scale civil conflict."

"The use of the army against legally elected organs is illegal and unconstitutional," said a statement read by Yeltsin at the meeting of the Federation Council. The council is the Kremlin policy-making and advisory body that includes representatives of the 15 Soviet republics.

Yeltsin's toughly worded statement, drafted Saturday at an emergency session of the executive council of the Russian Federation, urged the central government to "withdraw the supplementary contingents of the armed forces from the Baltics."

The council agreed to send to Lithuania this weekend a delegation headed by Byelorussian President Nikolai Demantei and Armenian President Lev Ter-Petrosyan to seek a political solution.

Latvian President Anatoly Gor-

bunov tried to elicit a promise from Gorbachev that force would not be used during the delegation's visit, "but Gorbachev responded that no additional statements would be made," said Uzbek President Islam Karimov.

Gen. Fyodor Kuzmin, commander of the Baltic Military Region, told Estonia that 2,000 paratroopers would be sent to the capital of Tallinn on Sunday, according to Sergei Chernov, a spokesman for the republic's government.

Yeltsin also met U.S. Ambassador Jack Matlock at the American's request and heard Washington's position on the Baltics, said Russia's deputy foreign minister, Andrei Fyodorov.

Gorbachev ordered the paratroopers in to round up draft dodgers and Red Army deserters. He warned last week that the Kremlin might have to impose direct rule on Lithuania unless it backs off its March 11, 1990 independence declaration.

So far, force has been used only in Lithuania, although armored personnel carriers have rolled through Latvia in a show of might.

Thousands of draft-age youths are refusing compulsory military service. In Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, many are performing community service as permitted under local laws declared invalid by the Krem-

Effort under way to beautify east, west entrances to Pampa

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

Entrances to a city often are seen as a reflection of what that city has to offer its residents and visitors.

A local effort to improve the appearance of the city of Pampa's highway entrances is under way with the most recent meeting held Friday by the Highway Entrance Beautification Committee of Clean Pampa Inc.

Clean Pampa Inc. is spearheading the effort and recently purchased a 4,000 square foot piece of property west of Pampa on U.S. 60. That property was deeded last week to the city of Pampa, which will perform any upkeep needed after the project is completed.

An east highway entrance is also in the planning stages by Clean Pampa Inc., although the western entrance will be targeted first.

A letter-writing campaign to businesses, civic organizations and others who might be interested in helping to fund the eastern and western entrance projects was planned Friday by the committee.

Letters are expected to be out within the next couple of weeks. By consensus, the group decided to aim for a \$12,000 goal to use for highway entrance beautification.

Betty Henderson, chairwoman of Clean Pampa Inc.'s board of directors said Friday, "We need to look at doing something that will be maintenance free."

A monument at the east and

west entrances is scheduled to be made of brick with white brick outlining the word "Pampa" in the 20-foot long by five-foot tall structure. A request for bids is scheduled to be sent out to people who might be interested in doing the work.

The brick monument, rather than a sign, was decided upon by the committee because it would be more vandal-proof and would require little or no maintenance.

The committee set April 1 as the target date to have the \$12,000 raised and has planned to seek volunteer equipment and manpower to work an estimated one day at getting the western entrance beautified with trees and other landscaping.

About 20 trees will be planted at the site, along with some shrubbery, grass and grown cover.

Clean Pampa Inc., which was organized on March 15, 1984, has been working for the past five years at purchasing the triangular piece of property on Pampa's west side. The property is located at the site where Wilks Street turns into U.S. 60.

The first meeting of the Highway Entrance Beautification Committee was held last June 8 and the committee continued to pursue the purchase of the property.

"It takes a long time," said Janice Miller of Clean Pampa Inc. about efforts to purchase the property. "But it will look good when it is completed," she added.

Miller said there are several groups in the city who are interest-

ed in seeing that the highway entrances to the city be beautified.

Clean Pampa Inc. receives funding from several foundations and for several years some of the foundations have asked the organization to pursue getting the entrances looking nicer, Miller said.

"They are very interested in highway beautification," she said.

Also, in the 1990-91 Economic Development Plan for the Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce and the Pampa Industrial Foundation, the beautification of the city is listed as the number one goal under the section of community development.

"Support efforts to beautify all areas of Pampa, especially highway entrances," is the listing under the community development section of the Economic Development Plan.

The beautification of highway entrances also topped the list of the 1990 Community Development Task Force Committee of the Gray County Extension Program Council.

That group met in March and identified critical issues facing the county. Listed as the top issue affecting "community development" was "economic development by creating more jobs," which included "promoting ourselves to others."

Listed under the promotion heading was "recreational facilities, medical and health facilities and beautification at city's entrances."

County commissioners to meet Tuesday

Gray County Commissioners Court has a 16-item agenda scheduled for its regular meeting on Tuesday.

Among the items to be considered are the appointments of a member to the Salary Grievance Committee and members to the Gray County Historical Commission.

The group is scheduled to receive a County Extension Service presentation of a long-range projected plan.

In other business, the commissioners will consider a request to cross a county road with a pipeline, consider the lease of office space with the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, and discuss the remodeling project at the Courthouse Annex and the sale of surplus items.

Other items listed on the agenda are:

- consider a letter from Panhandle Community Services regarding the Emergency Nutrition/Temporary Emergency Relief Program (EN/TERP);

- consider authorizing the county tax assessor to establish a checking account to deposit teleprinter fees and pay equipment expenses. Surplus funds would be transferred quarterly to the county treasurer;

- discuss the 1991 holiday schedule;
- approve the bond of County Surveyor Lynn Bezner;

- discuss a contract with a representative of the Mobeetie Fire Department;
- consider creating a Joint Airport Zoning Board and appoint board members;
- and discuss vehicle and expense accounts for the county maintenance man.

Routine items of paying salaries and bills, considering transfers and receiving the treasurer's report are also on the agenda.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. in the County Courtroom on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse.

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Services tomorrow

COOK, Frank — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel; 2 p.m., graveside, Canadian Cemetery, Canadian.

Obituaries

FRANK COOK

Frank Cook, 96, died Friday, Jan. 11, 1991. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Gary Cook, an Assembly of God minister, officiating. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Canadian Cemetery in Canadian.

Mr. Cook was born April 20, 1894, in Corsicana. He married Effie Lee in Graham on June 22, 1914; she preceded him in death on Sept. 15, 1965. He was also preceded in death by three children, James Glen Cook, Charlie Burt Cook and Ruby Estel Burgett.

Survivors include two sons, Truman Cook of Amarillo and Amis Cook of Skellytown; four daughters, Lois Andrews of Amarillo, Gereldene Elliott of Lockeford, Calif., Zela Mallo of Camano Island, Wash., and Irene Barnett of Antioch, Calif.; one brother, Vester Cook of Skellytown; and more than 100 grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Court report

GRAY COUNTY COURT

John Calvin Bullard was fined \$45 and received deferred adjudication of one month probation on a speeding charge, appealed from Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace.

Andre G. Moreau was fined \$55 and received deferred adjudication of one month probation on a speeding charge, appealed from Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace.

A charge of failure to appear, appealed from Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace, was dismissed against Andre G. Moreau after it was used in determining punishment in another case.

James Paul Clark was fined \$45 and received deferred adjudication of one month probation on a speeding charge, appealed from Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace.

Charges of theft of property by check were dismissed against the following people after restitution was made and court costs paid: Debbie Davis, Connie E. Hartness, Cynthia D. White and Tonya L. Klause, also known as Tonya Chester Klause.

The following people were dismissed from probation: Linda Nalley Hanks, Raymond J. Harrington, Jackie Clark Waite, John Keith Cadena, Edward Leon Sharp, Raymond Dee Armstrong, Steven Glen Brown, James Allen Perry, Steven Dale Schaub, Jesse E. Meil, James Herbert Griffin and Robert Joseph Ross.

Ford Estes Smith was fined \$45 and received deferred adjudication of one month probation on a speeding charge, appealed from Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace.

James Adrian Selvidge was fined \$400 and received two years probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

A charge of driving while license suspended was dismissed against James Adrian Selvidge after it was taken into consideration for punishment in another case.

Richard Bruce Melanson was fined \$300 and received two years probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

Alfredo Romero Armendariz was fined \$300 and received two years probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

Motions to revoke probation were filed against Robert M. Young and Lester Gordon Jinks.

Charges of speeding and no proof of liability insurance were dismissed against Lawrence Edward Flaharity "in the interest of justice."

Marriage licenses

Lawrence Manuel Porter and Donna Lynn Sexton Sanford Glen Ketchum and Julia Lucille Ford

DISTRICT COURT

Civil

Barbara N. Hicks vs. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. — automobile damages.

Coronado Hospital vs. Robert L. Jones and Mack Hasty, doing business as R&M Well Service — suit on sworn account.

Coronado Hospital vs. Caroline L. Bichsel and husband, Louis Bichsel Jr. — suit on sworn account.

Coronado Hospital vs. Margaret Crutcher and husband, Harmon Crutcher — suit on sworn account.

Martha Montoya vs. St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Co. — Industrial Accident Board appeal.

Criminal

Michael Moreno, 17, 1016 Huff Road, received eight years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice after pleading guilty to burglary of a vehicle. The sentence was with the provision that Moreno first attend the Special Alternative to Incarceration Program (boot camp).

Charges of burglary of a motor vehicle and burglary of a coin operated machine were dismissed against Michael Moreno, 17, 1016 Huff Road, after they were considered as admitted but unadjudicated offenses for sentencing purposes in another case.

Richard Albert Adame Camacho, 20, formerly of Kansas, was sentenced to six years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice after being found guilty of violating his probation.

Matthew Gilbert Maul, 19, Route 1, Pampa, was fined \$750 and received deferred adjudication of eight years probation on a burglary of a building charge. He was ordered to pay \$929.69 in restitution.

Gary Arnold Doss was fined \$1,500 and received five years probation on a driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense) conviction.

A charge of failure to stop and render aid was dismissed against Gary Arnold Doss after it was considered as an admitted, but unadjudicated offense for sentencing purposes in another case.

Robert Dean Hayes, 24, Davis Hotel, had his probation modified and was continued on probation, but was ordered to spend 90 days in the Gray County Jail and to enter an alcoholic recovery center upon his release.

Willaina Louise Pyle had her probation modified and was continued on probation until Nov. 17.

Divorces

Judith Elaine Simpson and Jerry Lloyd Simpson
Sherry Lynn Tryon and Jeffery Ervin Tryon

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions	Pampa	Jessica Anne Hall, Pampa
Candi Sue Curtis, Pampa	Aubrey L. Jones, Pampa	
Avelina Flores, Pampa	Travis Keelin, Briscoe	Terri Ann McCormick and baby boy, Canadian
Jessica Anne Hall, Pampa	John Kenneth Morehart, Pampa	Lucille Roberts, Pampa
William D. McBee, Lefors	Genna Kay Salazar and baby girl, Skellytown	Marion T. Sharp, Panhandle
Elwin William Southard, Pampa	Margie L. Sinyard, Groom	Bernard T. Smith, Pampa
James Thomas Weatherly, Pampa		
Lucille Roberts (extended care), Pampa		
Birth		
To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Curtis of Pampa, a baby boy.		
Dismissals		
Theda Cox Foster, Pampa		
	SHAMROCK HOSPITAL	Not available

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Jan. 11

Katy Fraser, 612 Red Deer, reported criminal trespass.

The city of Pampa reported a possible hazardous material at Hobart and Alcock.

Willard Benjamin Franklin, 915 E. Fisher, reported burglary of a motor vehicle.

Lloyd Dee Lake, 901 E. Fisher, reported criminal mischief.

Wal-Mart, 2225 N. Hobart, reported a theft of \$20-200.

Patricia Ann Zimmerman, 308 Anne, reported criminal trespass.

Betty June Marchman, 1011 E. Browning, reported a hit and run at the residence.

A juvenile reported a simple assault at Pampa High School.

Kathy White, 2412 Navajo, reported criminal mischief in the 1400 block of North Charles.

SATURDAY, Jan. 12

Domestic disputes were reported in the 1500 block of North Hobart and the 1000 block of East Francis.

John Throckmorton, 609 Brunow, reported injury to a prisoner.

Arrests

FRIDAY, Jan. 11

John Henry Throckmorton, 56, 609 Brunow, was arrested at the residence on a charge of forgery by passing. He was transferred to Gray County Jail and released on a personal recognizance bond.

Shyla Ann Cornsilk, 21, 2100 Montague, was arrested in the 400 block of North Nelson on two capias pro fines. She was released upon payment of fines.

Coy Dean Maddox, 21, 934 E. Francis, was arrested at the residence on eight warrants. He was released on bond.

Ruben Robles Granillo, 39, 133 S. Nelson, was arrested at the residence on two warrants. He was released on bond.

Weldon Dale Black, 25, 613 W. Browning, was arrested at the residence on a capias pro fine. He was released upon payment of the fine.

SATURDAY, Jan. 12

Braden Gregg Flaming, 17, Perryton, was arrested in the 1500 block of North Hobart on charges of pedestrian in roadway and failure to identify.

GRAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Arrests

FRIDAY, Jan. 11

Cleon Frank Houston, 38, White Deer, was arrested on a warrant. He was released on bond.

Gazves Bryan Presson, 59, 1015 E. Gordon, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was released on bond.

Ricardo Barboza, 18, 412 N. Somerville, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was released on bond.

Neil Scott Mason, 18, 317 Miami, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation.

Gary Arnold Doss, 45, Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Jocelyn E. Williams, 31, 1176 Prairie Drive, was arrested on a theft by check warrant out of Randall County. She was released on bond.

Ambulance

American Medical Transport Paramedic Service had a total of 37 calls for the period of Jan. 4 through Jan. 10. Of those calls, 26 were emergency responses and 11 were of a non-emergency nature.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Jan. 11

5:51 p.m. — Two firefighters and one unit responded to the Taylor Mart #25, 600 E. Frederic. The call was a smoke scare.

Minor accidents

No minor accident reports were available this weekend from the Pampa Police Department because the records department is closed on weekends.

Area gas prices

The following retail gasoline prices were the lowest found for self-service unleaded during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

PAMPA\$1.24.9
Amarillo\$1.14.9
Borger\$1.14.9
McLean\$1.23.9
Shamrock\$1.24.9
Wheeler\$1.24.9
Canadian\$1.25.9
White Deer\$1.24.9
Panhandle\$1.18.9

Sand off



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Albert Stevens with the city of Pampa throws sand on purple dye on Hobart Street, which was blocked off about 1:15 p.m. Friday and had traffic re-routed. Lynn Thornton, safety and risk manager with the city, said the dye got on some city streets after a gallon jug which was half full fell out of a Specks Chemical Co. truck and was smashed. The colorfast dye poses no hazard to the environment and will fade in a few days with exposure to the sun, officials said. City crews worked about an hour covering the substance with sand while Pampa police re-routed traffic.

Grand jury indicts Pasadena city marshal for false record entries

HOUSTON (AP) — A Harris County grand jury indicted a wrecked driver and a Pasadena city marshal Friday for falsely claiming that certain seized vehicles could be sold at public auction.

Larry James Humphreys, 51, owner of Larry's Wrecker Service, and city marshal Samuel Allen Jones, 37, were each charged with seven counts of tampering with a government record.

Prosecutor Jim Lindeman would not reveal details of the case. He said the two men are charged with making false statements on forms required for the legal forfeiture of seized vehicles.

Calendar of events

- OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS**
Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays at 7 p.m. at Briarwood Church, 1800 W. Harvester Ave.
- MIHIA TAKING APPLICATIONS**
The Maternal Infant Health Improvement Act project sponsored by the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Tech Health Science Center of Amarillo will be in Pampa from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday at the Hughes Building, Suite 100, taking applications from pregnant women for financial assistance for prenatal care. For more information call 1-800-237-0167.
- FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK**
Free blood pressure readings, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), will be taken at Pampa Senior Citizens Center from 10:30 a.m. until noon Monday.
- LEARNING DISABILITIES ASSN.**
Learning Disabilities Association (LDA) of Pampa will not meet at its regular time Monday. A special meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Jan. 22, at the Cedar Creek Resource Center in NBC Plaza. Topic of the meeting will be attention deficit disorder. For more information, call 665-6938.
- ST. VINCENT'S PRAYER MEETING**
Father Gary Sides has announced that a 24-hour prayer meeting will be held at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd, from 7 a.m. Monday to 7 a.m. Tuesday. The prayer meeting will be an exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and those attending the session will be asking for peace in the Persian Gulf region.

City briefs

- BRICK REPAIR:** Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.
- SHOP SANDS** Fabrics, Stock Liquidation Sale. New things added. 669-7909. Adv.
- JEWELL POWELL** is back in her Beauty Salon, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. 669-2451. Adv.
- TAX SERVICE & Bookkeeping,** Glenda Brownlee, 665-0310 or 274-2142. Adv.
- NEW PRICES** for a New Year: \$20 a month for unlimited sessions on Body Toner (Passive Exercise) at Steve & Stars, 701 N. Hobart, 665-8958. Adv.
- WINTER CLEARANCE** Sale continues, values up to 75% off. Announcing Spring shipment of Go Vicki and Sabino dresses at The Clothes Line. Adv.
- BOB JEWELL** is still doing Furniture Upholstery. 669-9221. Adv.
- MEMORIALS, TRIBUTES** to your friends and loved ones. White Deer Land Museum in Pampa, Box 1556, Pampa, Tx. 79065. Adv.
- JOE'S BOOT** Repair. Boot and shoe repair; 1-6 p.m. 529 N. Somerville, 665-3427. Adv.
- WANT TO** buy Troybilt Rototiller and an air compressor with tank. 665-3807, 669-6818. Adv.
- GYMNASTICS OF** Pampa, Loop 171 north. Cheerleading class starting January 7, 7 p.m. 669-2941, 665-0122. Adv.
- DUCKY'S COUNTRY** Kitchen will open from 4 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday thru Saturday for breakfast and lunches. 514 W. Foster. Adv.
- MEALS on WHEELS** 669-1007, P.O. Box 939 Adv.
- BARTLETT LUMBER** now has a wallpaper center to help you with your decorating ideas. 500 W. Brown. Adv.
- EVENING REGISTRATION** at Clarendon College Pampa Center will be 14th, 15th, 16th from 5-6:30 p.m. Adv.
- IMPROVE YOUR** health with Shaklee. Donna Turner, 2410 Evergreen, 665-6065. Adv.
- RICK AND** Carla Hagerman, Findlay Ohio proudly welcome Richard Dean, born December 31, 1990. Grandparents Bill and Freda Hagerman. Great Grandmothers Sarah Hernandez, Ellen Hagerman.
- MICHELLE'S THE** Loft, Sun-day buffet, 11:30 to 2:00. Adv.
- MARY KAY** Cosmetics. Deb Stapleton Consultant. Free facials. Supplies and deliveries. 665-2095. Adv.
- CALLIGRAPHY, BEGINNERS,** Don Jonas instructor. 665-3440 for reservations. Adv.
- STYLES UNLIMITED** has Cut and Style Specials every Saturday and Perm Specials thru January and February. Call Barbara 665-Hair. Adv.
- SMALL CHIHUAHUA** terrier. 17 years old. Black with brown trim. Lost on Bradley St. around Christmas. Please call 669-3539 anytime. Comes to Brandi. Adv.
- CLARENDON COLLEGE** Pampa Center will offer defensive driving on Saturday, January 19th at 8a.m. Call 665-8891 for reservations. Adv.
- WOULD LADY** who helped me up when I fell at Kmart entrance at Mall Wednesday afternoon, please call me at 665-3993? I would like to express my appreciation. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
Today, sunny and warmer with a high near 55 degrees and westerly winds 5-15 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the mid 20s. Monday, partly cloudy and warmer with a high near 60 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST
West Texas — Daytime highs above seasonal normals most sections. Highs from the upper 50s north to the upper 60s in the Big Bend. Lows from the mid 20s north and mountains to near 40 along the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Mostly sunny and warmer. Mostly fair Sunday night with increasing cloudiness east late. Mostly cloudy east. Highs 55 to 65. Lows 36 to 42.

South Texas — Mostly sunny and mild. Mostly fair and not as cold Sunday night. Highs in the 60s. Lows from 30s hill country to 40s north to 50s deep south.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Tuesday through Thursday
West Texas — Panhandle, generally fair with seasonable temperatures. Highs mid 40s to mid 50s. Lows in the 20s. South Plains, generally fair with seasonable temperatures. Highs mid 40s to mid 50s. Lows in the 20s. Permian Basin, generally fair with seasonable temperatures. Highs in the 50s. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s.

North Texas — West, dry with seasonable temperatures. Lows mid and upper 20s north to upper 20s and lower 30s south. Highs in the 50s. Central, dry with seasonable temperatures. Lows upper 20s north to mid 30s south. Highs in the 50s. East, chance of rain Tuesday. Dry Wednesday and Thursday. Seasonable temperatures with lows in the upper 20s north to mid 30s south. Highs in the 50s.

South Texas — Hill Country: Partly cloudy with mild days and cool nights. Lows from near 30 hill country to near 40 south central. Highs near 60. South Central Texas, partly cloudy with mild days and cool nights. Lows from near 30 hill country to near 40 south central. Highs near 60. Coastal Bend, partly cloudy with mild days and cool nights. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 60s. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains, partly cloudy with mild days and cool nights. Lows in the 40s to near 50. Highs in the 60s to near 70. Southeast Texas, partly cloudy with mild days and cool nights. Lows in the 30s to near 40. Highs in the 50s to near 60.

BORDER STATES
Oklahoma — Clear to partly cloudy and warmer Sunday. Fair Sunday night. Highs near 50 northeast to near 60 Panhandle and southwest. Lows Sunday night upper 20s to lower 30s. Highs Monday mid 40s to lower 50s.

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Columnist lists 10 best phone calls for 1990

It's time for the last of the 1990 Year End Wrap-ups. This go-round it's the 10 most interesting phone calls received by yours truly.

1. After doing a couple of stories about Pampa having the highest retail gasoline prices in the region, and some of the highest in the state, I got this call:

"You don't care much about growing old, do you?"

"Mom?"

"You better lay off the gasoline bit if you know what's good for you."

"And why is that?"

"Cause we're sick and tired of you makin' this thing look like it's a rigged deal. It ain't a fix and we're tired of people thinkin' it is."

So the way this caller decided to show that the local gasoline market isn't a West Texas version of the Mafia was to call and threaten my safety.

He may have been a little short of brains, but he has the satisfaction of knowing he was my most interesting caller of the year.

2. Speaking of threats, after I did a story about a teenager arrested for a particular crime, the details of which I shall not bore you with, his father called.

"My boy ain't no criminal and I want you to put that in the paper."

"Would that be the headline or the whole story?"

"The whole story is that there's some real criminals out there and the police need to be going after them, 'stead of my boy."

"Would your son happen to be the one who ...?"

"I reshaped the allegations."

"Yeah, that's him."

"Let me ask you, sir, do you think the police ought to be out catching lawbreakers?"

"They sure should."

"You figure most of those lawbreakers have parents?"

"Of course."

"If I was guessing, I would bet that the only time any of those parents ever got upset about our police report is when their children or a friend or relative is in them. To be honest, I have no idea if your son is innocent or guilty. But the police saw enough justification to risk a wrongful arrest lawsuit and bring him in."

I was a little surprised when the man said he'd never looked at the thing quite like that. We agreed it was tough being a parent and I wished his son the best.

3. In August a lady with a certain book publishing company called from Nashville and asked if I was the Bear Mills who occasionally writes for the religion page.

No, I said, that is the other Bear Mills that works here. She laughed.

Then she offered to put me on her mailing list if I would consider writing book reviews for material that they sent. What I got in the mail I got to keep, whether or not it was reviewed.

So far I've been sent a \$60 deluxe study Bible and 11 other books, most of them regarding Christian living and/or Bible study.

With the world we live in today, I consider that one telephone call, and the books I've since read, one of the blessings of my year.

4. During the congressional soap opera between Bill Sarpalius and Dick Waterfield, phone calls would pour in after each story.

"Hey, I thought you were a conservative.

Off Beat

By Bear Mills



How could you write that about Dick? Dick thinks the world of you."

"Bear, you're about as stupid as a stick if you think those accusations you printed about Bill are true."

"You on the Waterfield payroll, Mills?"

"See if you ever get invited to the Republican State Convention again! Why don't you just go join the Democratic Party?"

So both sides thought I and the newspaper were supporting the other guy.

That's about the nicest compliment a newspaper can receive. It means we're reporting the truth and not the truth according to the Democrats or the truth according to the Republicans.

5. After several stories on the Friday the 13th murder in Panhandle, I got a call from one of my sources, who happens to be a practicing satanist.

"You need to tell people that (the suspect in those murders) is crazy."

"I think they've probably already gotten that idea."

"He's a real wierdo, huh?"

"Yep."

"You ever met him?"

"I really can't say. But you yourself know I've got about every satanist in the Panhandle identified in my files."

"Well, I hope they really stick it to that guy."

"How come?"

"He's giving those of us who worship the devil a bad name."

6. Speaking of murders, I got a call this year that deeply touched me. Because it was a private conversation, I can only give sketchy details.

"Before he died, I had the chance to talk to him," said the relative of a youth who was killed in the area.

"Tell me about it."

"He said he knew he wasn't going to make it and that he was scared." The caller's voice began to choke with emotion. "I asked him if he wanted to put his trust in Jesus. He said he did."

She began crying hard as she told me the rest of the story.

I'm pretty sure only the Lord and the person involved knows who is on the up elevator and who better pack their fire-retardant underwear.

But hearing that this relative's incredible grief had been turned to joy was one of the nicest calls I got all year.

7. "Hey, Mills, you ever gonna quit writin' about that little brat of yours?" asked a caller who is apparently less than thrilled about my tales of parenthood that occasionally fill this space.

"Why?" I asked. "You want me to write about your little brat next week?"

"My kid's not a brat."

"And my child is only nine-months-old and about the best thing that's ever happened to me. I

know that not everybody wants to hear about my misadventures in the world of parenting. But I figure there's plenty of bad news in the paper. If I can make somebody smile by reminding them that the love of a family is special, I want to do that."

"Well," the caller asked, "why don't you do what Lewis Grizzard does?"

"And what's that?"

"Make fun of people. That's always good for a laugh."

"I do," I told him. "I make fun of myself."

8. My most frequent caller during the first six months of the year was none other than Amarillo attorney Tom Upchurch.

No matter what your opinion of ol' Tom, he is a humdinger to talk to on the phone. He speaks so fast and flits from subject to subject with such gusto that most of the time I had no idea what he was talking about.

I did know that he wanted me to print as much inflammatory information about the Hoechst Celanese chemical plant as I could get my hands on, but that "he wasn't trying to hurt the company."

"You're one of the best reporters around," he told me after I ran a story that was to his liking.

Within a week he was telling me that I was one of the worst reporters he'd ever met because a story ran that he didn't care for.

That's what I like about ol' Tom. He's every stereotype you've ever heard about a lawyer all rolled up into one big Panhandle personality.

No matter what you think, I really like Tom Upchurch, though not always for the right reasons.

9. Ranking next on the list is a whole series of calls from a variety of people telling me that I misquoted them. Reporters get these kinds of calls, but never from people who ended up looking good in a story.

"If you will recall," I tell them, "I recorded our conversation. If you'd like, I can get that tape and sit down and listen to it with you in front of the paper's publisher."

"Well," they respond, "it's not that you exactly misquoted me. It's that you made me look bad."

"How did I do that?"

"By putting that I said this and such."

"Did you say that?"

"Well, yes. But I didn't mean it."

"When you decide what you mean, call me back and I'll do another story telling our readers you didn't mean what you said before and you've finally figured out what you do mean."

Not one of them has ever called back to arrange the interview.

10. Lastly, there are the rare calls from people who like a story.

When people hate a story, they burn up your phone lines. When they like one, you never hear from them. To those who dropped a dime and said thanks for a story or column, I appreciate you.

Journalists get lied to daily, air things out in public that a lot of people want suppressed, and have to deal with a lot of interesting people we'd often just as soon not spend time around.

Getting nice calls of thanks when we do something well is a real boost to the morale. But, phone calls or not, we'll be here plugging along for another year.

Sarpalius gives 'reluctant' support to war resolution

WASHINGTON — Congressman Bill Sarpalius said he "reluctantly" has decided to support a resolution that will authorize the president to use U.S. armed forces, if necessary, to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

"This is the most difficult decision of my life," Sarpalius, D-Amarillo, said Friday evening in a news release.

"Any time you cast a vote that may lead to so much suffering, you do so reluctantly. But I see no realistic alternative at this time."

Sarpalius said a combination of events — his trip to the Middle East, the failure of the direct U.S.-Iraqi talks and meetings with his constituents — led him to reach that difficult conclusion.

"Like every other American, I hoped and prayed we could do this without resorting to force. I guess I still hope something miraculous will happen in the next few days. In the meantime, though, I have tried to learn everything I can about the options we have available to us."

"In traveling to Saudi Arabia, I learned that we have as well-prepared a fighting force as we have ever had. I know our military is capable of winning a victory if they have to fight."

"I also learned from that trip that sanctions are having some

effect," he said. "But, to force them [the Iraqi forces] from Kuwait, we would have to maintain sanctions at the current level for as long as three years. I'm not sure that is possible."

"Finally, I learned from talking to my constituents and to the relatives of the soldiers I met in Saudi Arabia that they generally have reached the same conclusion," Sarpalius continued. "They agree with me that Saddam Hussein's aggression must be stopped now, before he gains the power and ability to cause a more terrible war."

"When the talks in Geneva failed to produce a peaceful solution, all these factors led me to believe we needed to at least authorize the president to use force."

Sarpalius and a delegation of congressmen met Friday morning with President Bush at the White House to discuss latest developments in the crisis. He said that meeting further confirmed his decision.

"It is clear the president wants a peaceful solution," he said. "The president said our best chance to achieve one is to make Saddam Hussein know this nation and this government is taking a united stance and that we are serious about using force. I agree."

Lefors postmaster accepts position at Lubbock center

LUBBOCK — Terry Jones, former Lefors postmaster, was appointed as the new postmaster in Lockney effective Dec. 29, according to Sectional Center Manager/Postmaster Donald S. Bloyd of Lubbock.

Jones began his postal career as a clerk in Guyton, Okla., in 1978 and later became a carrier in that office. In 1986, he transferred to Amarillo as a carrier and worked there for three years.

He became postmaster at Lefors in January 1989, which is the position he held before moving to Lockney.

Postmaster selections are made on the basis of merit from a list of qualified candidates submitted to the sectional center manager by a review committee.

The review committee, composed of a sectional center director from the same sectional center, a postmaster from the same sectional center and a sectional center director from a different sectional center,

review the applicants for the position and recommend to the sectional center manager those candidates who best meet the position requirements.

The sectional center manager then selects and recommends to the postmaster general the best qualified person for appointment to the vacancy.

Jones is married to Windy Jones. They have two daughters, Lexi, 8, and Linsi, 6. Jones was the vice president of the Lefors Lions Club in Lefors, the president of the PTA, and was on the governing board of the Senior Citizens.

A replacement for Jones at the Lefors Post Office has not been announced. In the interim, Diana Larkin of the Pampa Post Office is serving as Officer in Charge.

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By Bill Hassell



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'Living Will' topic of public meeting Thursday

Coronado Hospital is sponsoring an informational meeting on the "Living Will" at the Pampa Community Building on Thursday, Jan. 17, beginning at 7 p.m.

District Judge Lee Waters will discuss the Texas Natural Death Act and the legal requirements to terminate life-sustaining treatment. Dr. Robert Julian, a family practice specialist in Pampa, will address the medical ethics involved.

Wanda Clark, R.N., assistant directors of nurses at Coronado Hospital, will explain the procedures patients and their families should follow to be certain that their wishes regarding "heroic" measures are known.

Bruce W. Reinhardt, administrator at Coronado Hospital, will moderate the discussion. A question and

answer session is planned at the end of the meeting.

Copies of the "Directive to Physicians" (also known as "The Living Will") and copies of the document that a patient's family can sign will be available at the meeting. Both documents conform to the current Texas Natural Death Act.

The session is free and no pre-registration is required.

Because of the passage of the Texas Natural Death Act, exact procedures must be followed if a person does not wish to have life-sustaining procedures taken. The act specifies that the directive to withhold those procedures can only be honored when two physicians agree that the patient has an incurable or irreversible condition.

"We find many patients and their

families are uninformed about the papers that must be signed in such a case," Reinhardt said.

"Facing a terminal illness is extremely difficult for both the patient and for his or her family. If the patient has not signed a directive to physicians, then his family is faced with making that decision, which is an emotionally wrenching experience for them. We hope that this meeting will answer the public's questions, and help make them aware of what needs to be done before an emergency is faced."

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Opinion

'Vision thing' has a chance to shine

Shortly, President Bush is scheduled to announce a new national energy policy, probably as part of his State of the Union address. The president reportedly is applying his usual patch-quilt policy approach, giving us continued aimlessness combined with a gradual increase in government control and regulation.

Actually, the first part of this equation isn't all bad: No energy policy is better than a bad policy. The country's energy position, despite the recent rollercoaster ride of oil prices from the Persian Gulf crisis, is surprisingly strong. The price of gas at the pump is about what it was in 1982, just after President Reagan ended price controls; and, adjusting for inflation, the price is even about the same as it was in 1972, before the 1973 oil crisis. Oil prices will continue to fluctuate, but the long-term trend is stability.

Unfortunately, the second part of the above-mentioned equation — Bush's penchant for increased regulation — is all too threatening. Already, in 1990, Bush signed the Clean Air Act, which will cost businesses from \$20 billion to \$100 billion per year in increased costs while bringing little or no benefit to the environment. Bush also caved in to political lobbying when he suspended the development of oil wells of the California coast. Even the Persian Gulf crisis, and the cutoff of Iraqi and Kuwait oil production, didn't induce the president to reverse his feckless decision.

Bush should halt his energy meandering and instead make energy policy a test area in which he could put forth a bold, coherent policy, finally projecting "the vision thing." In announcing the new policy, Bush should loudly proclaim his endorsement of free-market energy principles. The new policy should include:

1. Privatization of the nation's highway system and the national petroleum reserve. This would include an end to recent gas taxes imposed in 1982 (5 cents) and 1990 (another nickel).
2. Reduced regulation of nuclear power plants. The new, small reactors already widely used in Japan and France apparently are quite safe. They also pollute far less than power plants that burn smoky diesel, oil and coal.
3. Resumed drilling for oil off the California coast.
4. An end to the ban on oil sales from Alaska to Japan.
5. An end to the 1981 "voluntary" quotas on Japanese car imports. This would bring in more small, fuel-efficient cars. And, anyway, the import quotas have backfired, hurting Detroit and costing citizens \$1,000 or more extra per car.
6. The elimination of the capital gains tax. This would spur high-tech companies to do more research on energy-saving technologies, and on alternative energy sources.

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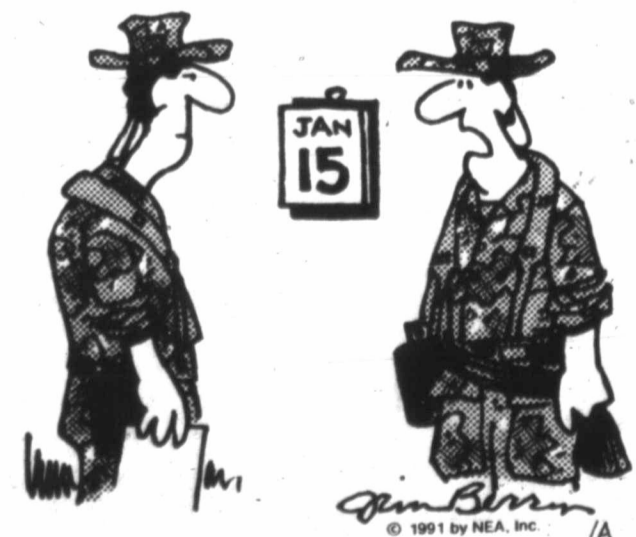
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"Will you please stop humming that music from 'Jaws'!"

There's always discrimination

We often hear people say things that we're not supposed to question, but which just don't add up. Let me lay a few on you.

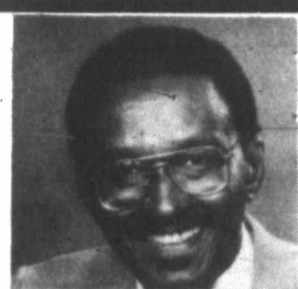
Feminists say we must de-sex our language — change chairman to chairperson, housewife to household engineer, and manhole to underground access. Nonsense! There's a lot more sex equality in English than other languages.

If feminists were serious, and ready to do real battle, they'd take on French. In French, every noun had a gender. Bed (le lit) is masculine while bedroom (la chambre) is feminine; a tree (l'arbre) is masculine but a leaf (la feuille) is feminine, and it goes on and on.

If the language wing of the feminists really want to make a meaningful contribution, they should go to France and help their sisters desex French, then I would not have to worry about whether a "le" or a "la" preceded a noun.

Let's look at another "untouchable" subject. Are you for equal opportunity in the field of employment? When I was job hunting, every employer was not given an equal opportunity to hire me. Had a university in New York, Montana or Mississippi wanted my services, I would have refused (discriminated). Similarly, people who might want my service as a trash collector, truck-driver or gardener would encounter discrimination.

The bottom line is: I don't give every employer an equal opportunity to hire me; I engage in sys-



Walter Williams

tematic discrimination. If I do not give every employer an equal opportunity to hire me, why should employers be made to give me an equal opportunity to be employed?

How about this? People say human life is priceless. I've told my students that human lives could be saved in Ethiopia and Bangladesh if the students only sell their cars and stereos, and send their proceeds to their less-fortunate brethren. No student ever volunteered to make such a sacrifice. Then I asked whether they'd be willing to send a nickel to help save a life; virtually every student agreed.

If life is so priceless, why are so few of us willing to fork over \$5,000 to save a life? Human life, like everything else of value, is governed by the laws of supply and demand. The lower the price of saving a human life, the more people are willing to do it. I suspect that when people say human life is priceless, they mean their own life.

Are you for or against discrimination? Let's say you're 20 years old and looking for a spouse. You have a problem. There are approximately 2.5 billion possible choices. You can't possibly interview each potential spouse. You must arbitrarily cut the list.

You might start out by discriminating by nationality. You might limit candidates to people of your own race. That's racial discrimination. Then you might exclude dwarfs, the blind, the crippled and the uneducated. That's handicap discrimination. Finally, you might limit your choice to people of the opposite gender. That's sex discrimination.

"C'mon, Williams," you say, "that kind of discrimination harms no one!" Nonsense, when I married my wife, many other women were harmed.

People worry that the increasing national debt will saddle future generations. I say, if it was possible to make future generations pay for what we do today, why not stick them with the whole tab? After all, what have future generations ever done for us? So let's eliminate all taxes and put the bill on people born in 2076.

The truth of the matter is: There is no Santa Claus or Intergenerational Fairy. Current generations pay for the "bread and circuses" of today. The true burden on future generations is they inherit less capital than they would if the current generation had good sense.



Time to hide the horse again

I haven't seen *The Godfather, Part III* yet. That's because I decided before I saw *Godfather III* I ought to go back and watch I and II to refresh myself on the doing of the Corleones up to where we left them.

So I picked up tapes of the two earlier epics and watched a marathon of Godfathering.

In *Godfather I* we first learn of the phrase, "Make him an offer he can't refuse."

This means, in the most basic of terms, if Marlon Brando, the Godfather, asks you to do something and you do not comply, be certain to hide your horse.

We also learn that Michael Corleone, the Godfather's youngest son, has no taste in women.

That's because he gets hooked up with Diane Keaton, whom I've never considered that attractive. In fact when she played opposite Woody Allen in *Annie Hall* I kept mistaking her for an ugly lamp.

A lot of people get killed in the first *Godfather*. The Godfather's oldest son succumbs to 19 guys with machine guns hiding in a toll booth.

The Godfather's son-in-law dies when he forgets the oldest rule in gangster movies — never sit



Lewis Grizzard

in the front seat when there's a guy in the back who knows how to reverse the Heimlich maneuver.

In the end of the first *Godfather*, the Godfather himself dies. But it's from natural causes. He mumbles so badly that when he complains of chest pains, his doctors think he's saying, "My hemorrhoids are killing me, Doc," and fails to order an EKG.

Godfather II picks up with Michael Corleone succeeding the Godfather as Godfather Jr., who, the minute he takes the oath of office, develops his own noticeable mumble.

In *Godfather II*, we learn the phrase, "Murmur,

fumble, jumble, bumble," which is Michael Corleone mumbling to Diane Keaton. "Get out of my house, you slice of mildewed lasagna."

A lot of people get killed in *Godfather II*, also — the most noticeable of whom is Michael Corleone's last living brother, Fredo.

Fredo's a wormy sort of character who dresses poorly and gets on Michael's nerves, so Fredo violates yet another rule of gangster movies: never turn your back on a guy with whom you are sharing a fishing boat if he didn't bring along a pole and has never filed a tax return.

At the end of *Godfather II*, we see Michael sitting alone in his lake house, looking rather depressed because he can't think of anybody else he needs to have whacked.

I don't know what to expect in *Godfather III*. More of the same, I suppose.

A guy gets choked to death here. A guy gets shot in the eyeball there.

Wilbur threatens to testify against Michael and Mr. Ed pays the consequences.

Regardless, what an appropriate time to bring out such a movie, I was thinking. "Christmas Day."

Let's put the monsters behind bars

By VINCENT CARROLL

America, some people will tell you, is an unforgiving place. Of every 100,000 citizens, this country imprisons four times as many Britain, seven times as many as Spain and nine times as many as Italy.

Yet don't try repeating those figures to Dan Martinez and his daughter. They have no time for such sophistic comparisons, for they already know, as no mere theorist could, that there are criminals in America whom the system has forgiven all too quickly. They have one fellow in particular in mind, the one in Denver who raped the daughter for 10 years and who is still a free man.

"Rape" was not the official charge, admittedly. It was "aggravated incest" — the molester was the girl's stepfather — but the distinction is useless to the lay person. As the judge himself acknowledged before

turning the deviate loose on eight years' probation, "This case was one of the worst I've ever seen in terms of repeated long-term sexual assault."

One of the worst, the judge said, yet he couldn't bring himself to put the depraved molester behind bars for up to the 16 years permitted by law. His explanation: "The defendant came from a position of total denial to admitting his offense straight up and doing very well in a treatment program that he couldn't have gotten in prison. He would have gotten out of prison eventually. This way, he is getting good treatment."

Now, all but a few criminals get out of prison eventually, so by the judge's logic we might save ourselves a lot of money and never lock them up at all. Or perhaps we should only lock up the ones who stubbornly (and stupidly) deny their guilt. Meanwhile, any thug who "does very well" in treatment — meaning merely that he

convinces a therapist he's doing well — may walk the streets with the rest of us.

There is a poignant footnote to this absurd injustice. The father and daughter were scheduled to speak at the sentencing hearing, and had rehearsed for months the words they would use to argue for the molester's imprisonment.

But they missed the hearing because the prosecutor told them the wrong time, and because the judge, upon learning of the mistake, refused to postpone the affair.

It would be unfair to suggest their experience is typical of the criminal justice system, but it would be equally naive to think it is unique. There are thousands of convicted, violent men who've manipulated the system no less deftly than the deviate in Denver.

Nevertheless, at a forum not long ago in Utah, the director of the

ACLU's National Prison Project complained that the United States "is unique in that we use incarceration as a crime-control mechanism. No European country does that nor believes it can be successful." Alvin Bronstein went on to argue that it's folly to try to control crime by locking people up.

What Bronstein fails to understand, of course, is that incarceration is not just about controlling crime, although it certainly helps. By punishing — as opposed to merely counseling — lawbreakers, society issues a moral statement about the autonomy of individuals and personal responsibility. It says in effect "You were bad because you choose to be bad," not "You were bad because you are sick."

Treatment is fine for monsters who molest little girls. First, however, let's put the monsters behind bars. © 1991 NEA

Letters to the editor

Gasoline prices hurting business

To the editor:
I read your story comparing gasoline prices in Pampa with those in the surrounding area with interest. Interest and sadness, that is. It seems the local gasoline distributor quoted in the article does not care about his customers, much less about our community. I suspect his attitude has those trying to lure new businesses and residents to our community wringing their hands.

While not a native of Pampa, I do enjoy my work here, the people and the small-town lifestyle; yet try as I may, I do not understand the local merchants. They trumpet, "Shop Pampa first!", but charge significantly higher prices than those found in the surrounding area. When asked why, the response is, "Shop Amarillo if you don't like our price, selection, the way we do business, etc."

I made a trip to Amarillo last night [Jan. 2] to pick up my son from the airport. Since my gas tank holds 40 gallons, I postponed filling up until Amarillo, since the local price for regular unleaded in Pampa is \$1.359 per gallon. I say postponed, because my last fill-up was in Oklahoma City, on 26 December, at \$1.119. On the way up I noticed that the same brand of gas in White Deer was \$1.259; it was \$1.089 on I-40, at the Conway exit (What? I thought gas was ALWAYS higher on the Interstate!) and \$1.159 all over Amarillo.

I put 30.5 gallons in my tank in Amarillo and saved over \$6, almost enough to pay for the trip, since I get about 19 MPG.

How about a suggestion? Why don't we all let our cars run low enough each week to pay for a trip to White Deer, Borger or Amarillo, for the next month, then do all of our shopping there, where the price and selection is better on almost everything, and check back with our "friendly" gas distributor then? If he is still arrogant and unresponsive, I'll bet our neighbors to the west will be glad to have our business.

Boycott is a strong word, but I believe we need to think about it here in the "Top O' Texas." Thank you for listening.
Robert M. Davis
Pampa

Tree lights honor those in the gulf

To the editor:
If you, our neighbors and friends, should have the occasion to pass by our house during the evenings, please do not assume we have lost our senses. It was not an oversight that we left Christmas lights burning in our front tree. Rather, it is an attempt to remind us and others

of our wonderful, brave men and women in the Persian Gulf.
We are in the middle of very troublesome times, and our future is uncertain at best. I am aware that many fellow Pampanos are displaying signs, sending letters and doing a variety of other things to show our American soldiers that we support them, love them and pray for their safe return.

When we retire for the evening at our house, and we turn out those lights, we will remember those who are so very far away, and say some very special prayers for them.
Sara and Joe Wheeley
Pampa

Bravo to writers

To the editor:
To the people who wrote letters to the editor that were published Sunday, Jan. 6, 1991: Ray Velasquez - MacDonald Hays - and Shirley Meaker:
Bravo - Bravo - Bravo.
Caroline Friend
Pampa

Congress corrupt, time to change it

To the editor:
A few days after my letter appeared in *The Pampa News* (Jan. 6), I received further data from The National Taxpayers Union based in Washington. The NTU was founded in 1969 by James Davidson, who saw what was taking place in the government offices. He feels that the corrupt state of the city of Washington, D.C., is the best example of what is taking place also within the government.

A federal program from start to finish, the District of Columbia is probably the most MIS-managed city in the nation. It spends twice as much per citizen as the average for state and local governments. One out of every SIX residents work for the city. Per capita, Washington has more police than any city in the nation, yet its crime rate rose 17 percent last year.

The public housing is another example of incompetence and greed. Private landlords and builders would probably be sent to jail for keeping similar properties. They are run-down, shabby and dangerous. Yet we taxpayers pay a fortune for this property! The city employs more maintenance workers than federal housing officials recommend. Auditors found that the maintenance workers spend 15 percent of their time working on the offices, etc., of Washington's housing officials!

Let's mention the high profile mayor, Marion Barry, who said officials had a "moral obligation" to send their children to the PUBLIC schools, yet his son attends a PRIVATE school!

Davidson presents 10 indictments against Congress in particular, ranging from rigged elections (99 percent of the incumbents were re-elected this last time), duplicity, mendacity and double-dealing to actual fraud. I can only list a few, such as Congressman Floyd, a minister, who was recently indicted for embezzling thousands from a federally funded senior citizen housing project! And since taxpayers are upset over the self-voted pay raises, congressmen developed a system to give themselves AUTOMATIC pay raises. I had wondered why the subject had just vanished, and the following explains why even further. The Republicans and Democrats got together and agreed to not use the pay raise as a campaign issue. Who can we trust?

When you send \$3 to Congress for a particular use, only \$1 ever reaches that destination. Then, to not show their corruptness by adding to the "seen" deficit, they have created what is called "off budget" items, and here they HIDE!!! The total of the off-budget liabilities comes to about \$15 trillion!!! That is about \$60,000 for every man, woman and child in the country!

The NTU is trying to get enough petitions signed to be able to use Article V of the Constitution [concerning procedures for amending the Constitution], which was written by James Madison at the first drawing of the Constitution. This is the statement which Madison made when setting it into the Constitution: It will be of little avail to the people that the laws are made by men of their own choice IF the laws be so voluminous that they cannot be read, or so incoherent that they cannot be understood, if they be repealed or revised before they are promulgated, or undergo such incessant changes that no man who knows what the law is today can guess what it will be like tomorrow.

The NTU petition, which seeks to form conventions of the people in the various states to propose an amendment limiting the terms of congressmen, explains itself. Copies can be obtained by writing The National Taxpayers Union, 325 Pennsylvania Ave. SE, Washington, D.C. 20003. You do not have to send money at all, but please obtain the petition, sign it and mail it in! I am going to subscribe because I want to know what is going on.

For those who desire their own 800 directory, state that you want the "business" directory of the U.S. and enclose \$18.82 to: World Wide Directory, 2374 Grisson Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63416.

Because of the importance of Social Security, I want to include the following: the SS revenue is spent by Congress along with our other monies; it then gives the SS Trust Fund an IOU, which is a U.S. government bond!!! Our children and grandchildren will have to pay these off.

Shirley Meaker
Pampa

Texas cited for efforts on child support help

By JENNIFER DIXON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House committee singled out Texas for doing more to improve child support collections than any other state, but a critic said the program was still a "disaster."

The House Ways and Means subcommittee on human resources announced Friday that Texas had been named the nation's "most-improved" state in child support enforcement programs.

The committee awarded grades to the states based on each state's performance in establishing paternity, collecting child support in the most cost-effective manner, and in reducing welfare costs.

Advocates say winning child support for single parents is one way of helping them move off the welfare rolls.

In Texas, 50,000 to 60,000 illegitimate children are born every year, creating a great pool of parents who may call on the attorney general's office for help in establishing paternity, winning child support or locating an absentee parent who is refusing to pay. The program has a current caseload of about 450,000, said spokesman Steve Levine.

Rep. Michael Andrews, D-Houston, a member of the subcommittee, said the state deserves much of the credit for bringing Texas's grade from an F last year to a C this year. No state scored higher than a C.

"But while today's report is an indication that child support enforcement is beginning to get the attention it deserves, there is still progress to be made," Andrews said.

Texas's new attorney general, Dan Morales, also acknowledged the state still has a "long way to go."

"It should be a sobering fact to all of us that hundreds of thousands of Texas children still suffer from economic neglect from one of their parents. But Texas is on a roll. Over

the next two years, I pledge to continue these improvements so that the next report card shows Texas at the head of the class," Morales said.

Levine said the House committee had singled out Texas for tripling its child support collections and for being among the first states that allow wages to be automatically withheld once a parent is 30 days behind in child support payments.

Wage-withholding efforts brought in roughly 50 percent of the \$180 million the state collected last year.

The state also has pilot projects in San Antonio, Midland and Odessa that use computers to monitor child support payments from the minute a divorce or child support order is entered.

As soon as parents get behind, they get a warning letter from the attorney general, and within one month the attorney general's office can take enforcement action. Congress awarded a \$500,000 grant in 1990 to run the San Antonio program for the next two years.

But Paula Roberts, acting director of the Center for Law and Social Policy, a public-interest law firm that focuses on issues for low-income families, said Texas' program is still a disaster.

While women who apply for Aid to Families with Dependent Children or Medicaid automatically come into the system, Texas is failing to help non-welfare single parents, particularly the working poor whose incomes barely disqualify them for AFDC, she said.

"Overwhelmingly, these non-welfare people are extremely low-income women ... who tend to be working poor, working part-time, minimum wage jobs, people who are really on the edge, and basically, Texas's historical position has been that it does not serve those non-welfare families," she said.

Ms. Roberts said Texas also is "literally a black hole" when it comes to helping other states locate non-paying parents in Texas.

Movies, media keep Billy the Kid alive

By JULIE AICHER
Associated Press Writer

FORT SUMNER, N.M. (AP) — The image of Billy the Kid, the bucktoothed badman of the 19th century, is making more loot than he ever did in life.

The booty comes from New Mexico tourist attractions, movie receipts and Kid-related sales. Although the young outlaw's legend has been marketed in endless ways since his death more than a century ago, his mystique improves with age.

"It began with Hollywood's infatuation with the story of the Kid and it's gone from there," said Mike Pitel of the New Mexico Tourism and Travel Division.

Museum curators in this small eastern New Mexico town of about 1,500 say the media, especially motion pictures, fan the Billy the Kid flame.

The Kid, who is buried behind the Old Fort Sumner Museum, earned a reputation as a rustler and gunman in the late 1800s on the losing side of the Lincoln County War, a battle over commercial supremacy in southern New Mexico.

Books and films, most notably the *Young Guns* movies in 1988 and 1990, have helped lure thousands more people each year to New Mexico attractions dedicated to that era.

"This spring (in 1990) we opened earlier because of all the interest," said Barbara Aragon, who has worked for two seasons at the Old Fort Sumner Museum.

Lula and Don Sweet, owners of the Billy the Kid Museum on Fort Sumner's main street, said that when they locked up for the winter they closed the books on one of their best business years.

"You can nearly always tell when

a new movie or book comes out," Mrs. Sweet said. "As long as they're writing about it and there's movies about him, there will be people coming here. That's what keeps it alive."

Billy the Kid has been bottled — once literally, in a glass figurine filled with whiskey — in dozens of ways since he was shot down on July 14, 1881, by Lincoln County Sheriff Pat Garrett.

Pitel said nearly 50 movies and at least 200 books and magazine articles have some connection to Billy the Kid.

Accounts of his life vary. Legend has it he killed 21 people but some authorities say he killed four. Even his real name is elusive. He's also known as William H. Bonney, Henry Antrim and Henry McCarty.

"He has evolved into such a multifaceted, mythical character that we can be selective in what we see in him," Pitel said. "He's anything you want him to be, and that's what his enduring appeal is. He's somewhere between a boy and a man, somewhere between good and evil."

"In being adaptable, he's very marketable and has great appeal."

While some ventures have been successful and others debacles, there's always room in the Billy the Kid market.

"Every decade there seems to be another Billy the Kid," said Ronni Chasen, spokeswoman for Morgan Creek Productions of Los Angeles, which made the *Young Guns* movies.

"I think he's sort of a reflection of whatever the culture is. Every generation latches on to him," she said.

The story has been the subject of dimestore novels, Hollywood westerns, television movies and serials. After about a 15-year lull, the legend resurfaced in the late 1980s with *Young Guns* and two books by

Pulitzer Prize-winning authors: *Anything for Billy* by Larry McMurtry and *The Ancient Child* by N. Scott Momaday.

Publicity means profit for New Mexico, especially for Fort Sumner and the town of Lincoln, where visitors can relive the Kid's famous escape from the Lincoln County jail.

Billy the Kid attractions in those two areas lassoed about \$2.8 million in gross receipts in 1990, Pitel said.

And attendance at the Lincoln State Monument went from 14,000 in 1986 to about 40,000 in 1990, the Old Fort Sumner Museum went from 8,000 to 17,000 and the Billy the Kid Museum from 16,000 to 20,000, Pitel said.

He said the state is working with the Billy the Kid Outlaw Gang to create a driving tour through southern New Mexico featuring stops at several historical sites with Billy the Kid ties. The New Mexico-based group, which claims about 1,500 members in 48 states, is dedicated to preserving the history of Billy the Kid.

Mrs. Sweet said she's not sure what his attraction is.

"I don't know, other than the fact that he was young and did a lot of living in those years," she said. "I think it's just the idea that he was so young. And a lot of people say he was like Robin Hood. There was a good side to Billy and a bad side to Billy."

The appeal of the latest Billy the Kid, portrayed by actor Emilio Estevez, also has captured the interest of teenagers, Mrs. Sweet said.

And the media magnets have made their way into the museums.

As visitors walk into the Old Fort Sumner Museum they are greeted by a large painting of Billy the Kid — a copy of the traditional tintype with him wearing layers of tattered clothes and a

band hat and holding a rifle. That image hangs alongside a poster of the actors who portrayed The Regulators gang in the *Young Guns* movies.

"We're selling a lot of posters — they all want a souvenir. It's really helped the business," Ms. Aragon said. Controversy about the Kid's life and death also has helped business, said Joe Bowlin, owner of the Old Fort Sumner Museum.

A claim that the late Ollie L. "Brushy Bill" Roberts of Hico, Texas, was Billy the Kid revived a feud that in the late 1980s attracted national media attention, along with more visitors.

"Controversy, no matter what the subject, always generates more interest," Bowlin said.

A computer analysis of photos of the two men last March indicated Brushy Bill was not Billy.

Mrs. Sweet said many who visit the museum want the "real facts" about how the Kid lived, how many people he killed and how he died. But she said the facts are hard to come by.

"I think the generation now wants the facts," she said. "They really want to know for sure. It used to be people just took everything for fact."

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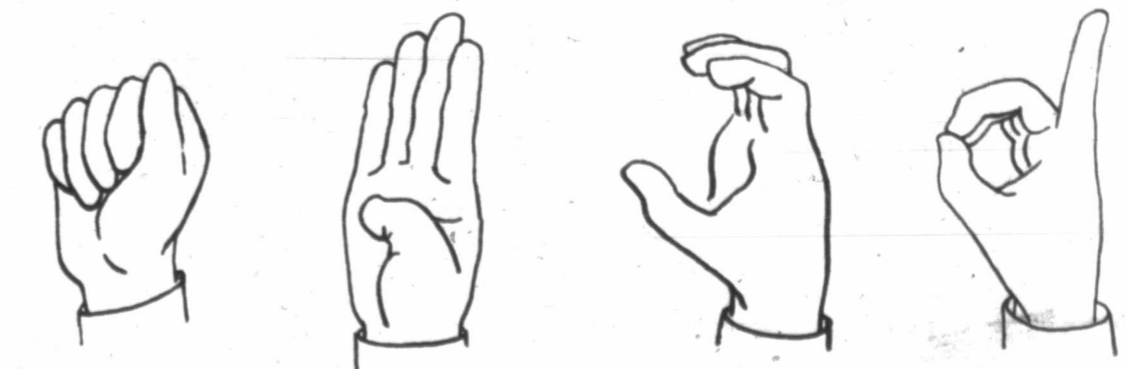
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Human rights groups fight increasing abuses in Mexico

EDITOR'S NOTE—Human rights abuses got little attention in Mexico until a new administration began opening up the political and economic system two years ago. Since then, dozens of groups have been formed to expose violations by security forces and the ruling political party. Here is a report.

By TALLI NAUMAN
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Police men force chili powder and soda water into a man's nose. A hired gunman kills a peasant on a disputed patch of poor farmland. Federal agents rig drug charges against opponents of the ruling party.

Abuse of human rights, hushed up for years in Mexico, is on the increase by many accounts, and dozens of new organizations are fighting it.

At least 50 groups, most of them private, have been formed in the past two years in the effort to curb torture and other abuses.

Americas Watch, an independent monitoring organization based in Washington, D.C., said in a report in 1990 that police and other security forces were the main violators of human rights in Mexico.

President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, who took office two years ago, has in effect acknowledged the problem and has taken some steps to deal with it, but the list of recent abuses is long.

In May, human rights activist Norma Corona was shot to death in Culiacan after successfully lobbying the Sinaloa state legislature for a law providing jail sentences for police who use torture. Some suspects are in custody and others are sought.

A man suspected of marijuana trafficking died in a Durango jail in October after five days of torture, according to news reports based on his brother's testimony. The brother, held on the same charge, said they were beaten, kicked and given elec-

tric shocks, that soda water and chili powder was forced into their nostrils and plastic bags were taped over their heads.

An American jailed on marijuana charges was beaten, raped and left without access to a lawyer in his cell at Reynosa, across the border from McAllen, Texas, the private Mexican Commission for Human Rights Defense and Promotion reported.

Last year, the Democratic Journalists Guild demanded the Interior Ministry investigate the killings of more than 30 journalists in 1982-1988 and seven since Salinas took office.

Poor farmers and Indian communities often are victimized in disputes over communal property and small land holdings. The private commission cites 74 killings of peasants and Indians from July 1988 to February 1990.

Human rights activists say political pressure, overzealous drug enforcement and heavy-handed landowners are among the leading causes of abuse.

"There is a distinct tendency toward an increased number and intensity" of violations, said Mari-claire Acosta, president of the year-old Commission for Human Rights Defense and Promotion.

The latest State Department report on human rights in Mexico, issued in February 1990, essentially agrees with the complaints. It cites "abuse by police and judicial authorities of detainees and prisoners; political and extrajudicial killings, mostly the result of confrontations between peasants and landowners; and recurring credible charges by opposition parties ... of election fraud."

By calling attention to torture, killings and other abuses, the new groups hope to build public pressure for change.

Since its formation in mid-1990, the government National Human Rights Commission has received more than 1,300 complaints. A commission report in December said the federal attorney general's office and

its judicial police were accused of 171 violations, nearly three times the total for any other agency.

Ten of the 33 recommendations for action issued by the government commission were directed at the judicial police. No other agency received more than one.

A human rights center run by the Roman Catholic Dominican order reported more than 1,300 human rights violations in Mexico City alone during the 18 months before the period covered by the government commission.

Political killings have doubled in each of the last three years, the opposition Democratic Revolutionary Party said in a complaint being reviewed by the United Nations and Organization of American States.

"Political bosses order repression of the rural population," said Marlene Mar of the Mexican Human Rights Defense League in Poza Rica, a city on the Gulf of Mexico.

"Police, who have weapons, are just looking for people they can rob. There's no crime control. There are beatings and torture. It's all because of the condition the country's in. There's no money."

A report last year by the Miguel Agustin Human Rights Center, established by the Jesuit order five years ago, said "Repression increased during the first year of Carlos Salinas de Gortari's government."

In accepting a 400-page report from the government commission, Salinas said: "My government does not hide abuses."

He has proposed that confessions alone not be sufficient evidence for criminal convictions, in hopes of removing a motive for torture, and ordered that interpreters be present when Indians are questioned.

Javier Cuello Trejos, who directed the anti-narcotics program for the attorney general's office, was transferred off the job after numerous allegations of human rights abuses in connection with drug enforcement.

The attorney general of Nuevo Leon state, on the border with Texas, said 65 judicial police were fired in 1990 for abusing prisoners.

In the past 11/2 years, 270 employees of the Mexico city prison have been charged with mistreating prisoners or members of their families, said Alfonso Cabrera, the prison director.

Federal judicial police accused of killing six innocent passers-by in an aborted drug arrest in the northern state of Sinaloa were arrested almost immediately and face murder charges.

Salinas ordered the release of the opposition-party mayor of a small town in Michoacan state, who apparently was jailed on false narcotics charges.

Americas Watch says increased efforts against the drug traffic have led to more human rights abuse by drug agents and the army.

In Petatlan, a town on the Pacific coast, the peasant's problem "is the army troops," said Silvestre Pacheco, assistant to the mayor.

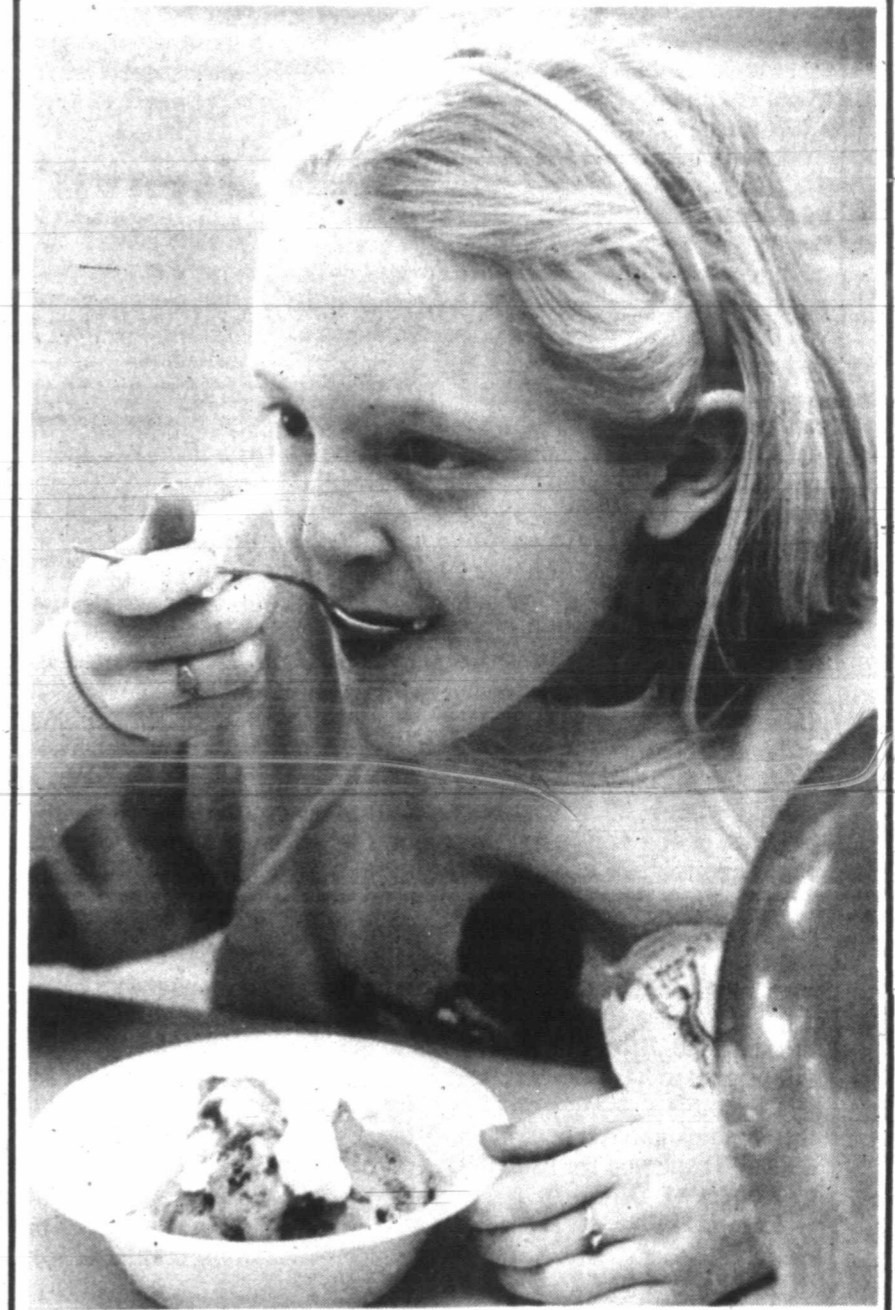
"The troops don't differentiate between someone who plants drugs and someone who makes an honest living, so they arrive in town and act as if everyone's guilty," he said. "They go around and pull all the men out of their houses, forcing them to invent accusations by beating, torturing, threatening and frightening them."

Human rights activists say some violations stem from the reaction to stronger political opposition by local bosses of the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, which has governed Mexico since 1929.

"States of the republic in which organized opposition exists showed a higher level of ... rights violations," the Jesuit report said.

In 1988, Salinas won the presidency with the narrowest margin in PRI history and the party lost Senate seats for the first time. In later local and regional elections, the PRI lost a state governorship and more than 100 city halls.

Top banana



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Shannon Oxley, third grader at Lamar Elementary School wears a badge proclaiming her a "Top Banana" as she eats a banana split Friday afternoon at the Powerful Pack Banana Split Party. The party was hosted for 58 students who read and turned in book reports for nine or more books from the school library during the past nine weeks. A total of 815 book reports were turned in to the library. Heard & Jones, which has adopted the school, provided balloons for party decorations.

Canadian ship sinks, another missing

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (AP)—A cargo ship carrying 33 crewmen sank in the Atlantic before dawn Saturday in high waves and hurricane-force winds off Newfoundland, officials said. A fishing trawler with a crew of 25 was missing.

Canadian and U.S. rescue aircraft were dispatched to the search zones in the North Atlantic. Private ships from other nations were also headed to the area to assist.

The Singapore-registered cargo vessel Protektor went down about 260 miles southeast of St. John's, Newfoundland shortly after midnight Saturday, said Sgt. Charlie Fleming, a controller at the Search and Rescue Coordination Center in Halifax.

The status of the crew aboard the 720-foot ship was unknown, Fleming said, but they were known to be preparing life rafts and survival gear immediately prior to the sinking, he said.

Forty-foot waves and winds of nearly 90 mph were reported late Friday when the ship, bound for Sweden, issued a distress call.

The ship, bound from Port Cartier, Quebec, with a load of iron ore, was attempting to turn back to Canada when all contact was lost just as a rescue aircraft neared.

A 150-foot Spanish fishing trawler, the Edwardo Chao, had not been heard from since 10 a.m. Friday, Fleming said. It's last known location was near the Grand Banks off Newfoundland.

The trawler, part of a group of 27 Spanish fishing boats, issued no distress call.

All available Canadian search-and-rescue planes were dispatched in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. They were joined by a U.S. Coast Guard C-130 and a civilian rescue plane.

Fisheries, coast guard and commercial vessels were also headed toward the scene.

Gunmen kill 35, wound 50 in attack at South African funeral observance

SEBOKENG, South Africa (AP)—Gunmen with automatic rifles fired into a crowd holding a vigil today for a slain African National Congress member, killing at least 35 people and wounding about 50 others, police said.

No arrests were immediately made in the pre-dawn attack in the township of Sebokeng, south of Johannesburg.

The motive of the attack was not known, but Sebokeng has been the scene of past political unrest between supporters of the ANC and its rival Inkatha Freedom Party.

ANC spokeswoman Gill Marcus said there had been warnings such an attack would take place and that, as far as she knew, police had been notified.

Police spokesman Col. Johan Mostert said several people pulled up outside a house and tents where about 300 people were holding the

vigil and began firing. A police statement later said 35 people were killed and about 50 wounded.

Mostert said he was unaware of any warning to police about such an attack.

No immediate accusations were made, but the incident was almost certain to lead to more township violence between feuding black groups. Thousands of people have died in the past few years in clashes between ANC supporters and Inkatha Freedom Party backers.

The independent South African Press Association quoted witnesses as saying at least two gunmen were involved and fired from inside a car. One of the witnesses claimed the car was the same one used in the kidnapping of the ANC member, Mphikeleli Christoffel Nangalembe, who was being honored at the vigil.

Nangalembe was found strangled near Sebokeng on Jan. 5 after being kidnapped.

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Clouds on the street?



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

A close-up of snow covering West Atchison Avenue late last week is much like cloud cover seen while riding in an airplane.

Several Oak Cliff residents still back secession from Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — Several Oak Cliff residents say they still back a referendum to pull out of Dallas, despite recent vows from city leaders that progress in the South Dallas community is forthcoming.

At a meeting at a local church Friday, about 475 Oak Cliff residents said they wanted to continue pursuing a referendum to form their own city. They also endorsed negotiations with the city on specific agreements to improve services south of the Trinity River.

"We've finally awakened a sleeping giant, which can have its own destiny in its hands," said Dallas City Council member Charles Tandy, an Oak Cliff resident and a leader of the secession movement. "And you do that by making demands," he said.

State legislators from Oak Cliff said the city could stave off the de-annexation threat by fulfilling the promises it made in a resolution approved Wednesday by the City Council.

State Reps. Steve Wolens and Gerald Larry said they would like to see specific deadlines for those promises, which includes more code enforcement, economic development, and major construction projects in Oak Cliff.

The meeting at the Good Street Baptist Church attracted less than a third of the audience attending a similar gathering in October. Dallas Mayor Annette Strauss attended, but did not address the crowd.

Noriega co-defendant plea bargains; prosecutors defend taped phone calls

MIAMI (AP) — The last major co-defendant in custody in Manuel Noriega's drug case plea-bargained as prosecutors defended in court their handling of the deposed Panamanian president's taped prison phone calls.

A federal judge, meanwhile, set June 24 as Noriega's new trial date. The trial had been scheduled for Jan. 28, but defense attorneys, who have asked that the case be dismissed, said that date was unrealistic.

"The defendant has a right to be tried — he's been in custody over a year now," U.S. District Judge William Hoeweler said Friday. Noriega was captured during the United States' December 1989 invasion of Panama.

The government scored one victory when the last major co-defendant in custody, Amet Paredes, agreed to a plea bargain. Paredes allegedly worked directly with Noriega in arranging protection for drug traffickers.

He had faced drug trafficking, racketeering and conspiracy charges carrying a maximum sentence of 95 years in prison. Details of his plea agreement were not released, although it was expected he would testify against Noriega.

Few of the controversies plaguing

the case were resolved during the hearing, which was continued until next Friday.

The defense claims the drug case should be thrown out because of alleged government misconduct, including the taping of prison conversations between Noriega and his attorneys.

The lead prosecutor, Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Sullivan, took the witness stand to defend his handling of the tapes. Some of the tapes were leaked to CNN, which broadcast one call, touching off a constitutional showdown pitting the right of media against the right to a fair trial.

Federal officials said recording prisoners' phone calls is routine and that Noriega and his attorneys were aware of the practice, but the defense said such recordings are not supposed to include privileged attorney-client conversations.

Under questioning, Sullivan acknowledged he had subpoenaed the prison tapes originally without informing the court or the defense.

"Was it to keep us in the dark?" asked defense attorney Frank Rubino.

"My intent was not to disclose to the defense attorneys that we were listening to his conversations," Sullivan said.

Sullivan also agreed that a screening process to segregate attorney conversations had failed.

Under cross-examination by his colleague, Assistant U.S. Attorney Norman Moscovitz, Sullivan said Noriega must have known his phone at the Metropolitan Correctional Center was tapped, and therefore would not have had confidential conversations.

Before the hearing, the judge set a Feb. 19 trial date for two of the remaining co-defendants in custody, William Saldarriaga and Brian Davidow, who face minor drug charges and were not directly tied to Noriega.

The fourth remaining defendant, Daniel Miranda, has asked for a trial delay.

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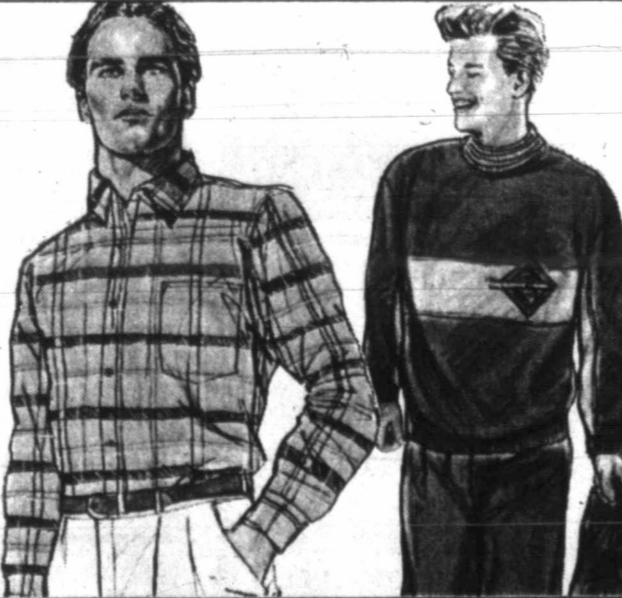
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Business

Analyst: Stock market confident a fight with Iraq will end quickly

DALLAS (AP) — Oil prices rose, then fell as traders and investors decided an armed conflict between Iraq and the U.S.-led multinational force would be quick and unlikely to interrupt energy supplies. Prices, which had fallen to the \$27 range after U.S. and Iraqi leaders announced the failure of their last face-to-face meeting Wednesday, stayed at that level on Friday. With fractional gains or losses for the past two days, stocks of large oil companies have been mixed.

Panhandle chapter of API to meet Thursday in Pampa

Panhandle Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will hold their annual election of officers during the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, at the Shrine Sportsman Club on South Barnes Street in Pampa.

New officers will be installed and special recognition and service awards will be presented. Following the installation, a special program will be given by Bobbie Joe Cudd,

sustainable situation" and that has steadied stock prices, said Leonard Mitchell, oil analyst in the Dallas office of the Principal-Eppler, Guerin and Turner.

He said oil traders also believe fighting will be quick.

"If oil's only at \$28, \$29 (a barrel), the consensus mindset is if (the crisis) does come down to war, it will be short-lived," Mitchell said Thursday.

"If the fighting was prolonged, it would mean the situation is much more dangerous than the markets

have anticipated," he said.

Petroleum prices rose above \$41 a barrel a short time after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq on the fear that the supply of oil to the United States would be hurt.

But Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and Indonesia increased their oil production and Americans reduced consumption. The world supply of oil is now about 60 days.

"I think Saudi oil fields would have to be out of commission about 30 days before it really began to worry the markets and bid that price way up," said Mitchell.

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nies and many foreign national oil companies. His program will be "blow-outs and well control."

Social time will start at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. (Following the regular meeting, special activities will be available for all who are interested.)

All members and guests are invited and new memberships will be available at the door.

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HUTCHINSON (WILDCAT & SHIRLEY) Tonkawa Strat Land Exploration Co., #3 Ownbey (1011 ac) 1980' from North & 933' from West line, Sec. 25, —, Z.C. Collier, 15 mi NE from Stinnett, PD 5550' (Nine East Fourth, Suite 800, Tulsa, OK 74103) Rule 37

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SHERMAN (WILDCAT) JAW Oil Co., #1 Jeanne (40 ac) 467' from most N/North line & 2173' from East line, Sec. 382, 1-T, T&NO, 12 mi southerly from Stratford, PD 2200' (620 So. Taylor, Amarillo, TX 79101)

Oil Well Completions

CARSON (PANHANDLE) Riata Energy, Inc., #1 Patrick 'A', Sec. 93, 4, I&GM, elev. 3181 kb, spud 8-11-90, dirg. compl 8-27-90, tested 12-14-90, pumped 48 bbl. of 43 grav. oil + 1 bbl. water, GOR 2333, perforated 2934-3065, TD 3116', PBTD 3065' —

HUTCHINSON (WEST ARRINGTON) Hunton Arrington CJM, Inc., #10 West Turkey Track, Sec. 4, H, H&GM, elev. 2880 gr, spud 10-29-90, dirg. compl 11-19-90, tested 1-6-91, pumped 210.42 bbl. of 30.8 grav. oil + 5.01 bbls. water, GOR 5, perforated 7616-7624, TD 7820', PBTD 7753' —

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Gordon Taylor, #1 Mary, Sec. 152, 3-T, T&NO, elev. 3440.7 gr, spud 10-28-90, dirg. compl 11-13-90, tested 12-12-90, pumped 12.83 bbl. of 38.9 grav. oil + 16 bbls. water, GOR 935, perforated 3214-3454, TD 3620', PBTD 3577' —

Gas Well Completions

HANSFORD (S.W. MORSE Br. Dolomite) J.M. Huber Corp., #3 Gochnaur, Sec. 34, 3, GH&H, elev. 3348 kb, spud 9-24-90, dirg. compl 9-30-90, tested 12-17-90, potential 400 MCF, rock pressure 382.82, pay 3038-3136, TD 3350', PBTD 3316' —

HANSFORD (S.W. MORSE Br. Dolomite) J.M. Huber Corp., #4 Gouchnaur, Sec. 34, 3, GH&H, elev. 3351 kb, spud 9-12-90, dirg. compl 9-20-90, tested 12-17-90, potential 480 MCF, rock pressure 411.57, pay 3032-3166, TD 3350', PBTD 3324' —

HANSFORD (S.W. MORSE Br. Dolomite) J.M. Huber Corp., #6 Womble, Sec. 27, 3, GH&H, elev. 338 kb, spud 9-4-90, dirg. compl 9-10-90, tested 12-17-90, potential 275 MCF, rock pressure 449.23, pay 3026-3174,

TD 3350', PBTD' — Plug-Back

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Douglas) Ramco Oil & Gas, Inc., #1-17 Teas, Sec. 17, 1-A, H&GM, elev. 2622 rkb, spud 9-22-90, dirg. compl 10-20-90, tested 10-22-90, potential 14000 MCF, rock pressure 2510, pay 16040-16080, TD 17700', PBTD 16150' — Plug-Back

HEMPHILL (INVESTOR Atoka) Dycos Petroleum Corp., #1-58 Coltharp, Sec. 58, A-7, H&GM, elev. 2200 kb, spud 10-15-90, dirg. compl 11-7-90, potential 1180 MCF, rock pressure 7473, Pay 16040-16080, TD 17700', PBTD 16150' — Plug-Back

WHEELER (EAST PANHANDLE) Questa Energy Corp., #1-20 Willie, Sec. 20 A-8, H&GM, elev. 2260 gr, spud 8-11-90, dirg. compl 10-24-90, tested 12-3-90, potential 51.5 MCF, rock pressure 90.6, pay 1890-2044, TD 2044', PBTD 2044' —

Plugged Wells

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Gr. Wash) Dycos Petroleum Corp., #1-89 Singleton Farms, Sec. 89, M-1 H&GM, spud 11-16-86, plugged 12-10-90, TD 15750' (gas) —

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #2 Mae Parks, Sec. 2, HC, H&OB, spud 11-12-53, plugged 11-30-90, TD 3295' (gas) — Form 1 filed in the Shamrock Oil & Gas Corp.

LIPSCOMB (DUKE MAY Tonkawa) Permian West Pipe, Inc., #B-2 Babitzke 'B-2', Sec. 1168, 43, H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 11-16-90, TD 6550' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Tom McGe

OLDHAM (SUNDANCE Upper Gr. Wash) Rio Petroleum, Inc., #4 Parker Creek, Sec. 316, —, SCL, spud 11-30-81, plugged 12-11-90, TD 6550' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Baker & Taylor

WHEELER (N.E. WHEELER K.C.) Gifford Operating Co., #1-33 Morrison, Sec. 33, A-3, H&GM, spud unknown, plugged 9-17-90, TD 11200' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Union Texas Petroleum Corp.

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General Motors Corp. CEO Robert Stempel, left, and GM Vice President Jim Perkins proudly display the Motor Trend 1991 Car of the Year Award for the 1991 Chevrolet Caprice Classic LTZ last week at the 1991 North American International Auto Show in Detroit during Press Preview Week. The auto show opened to the public on Saturday.

Southwestern Public Service announces officer changes, shareholders elections

AMARILLO — The board of directors of Southwestern Public Service Company announced two officer changes and the election of an additional director to become effective March 1 upon the retirement of Chairman of the Board W.R. "Bill" Esler.

President and Chief Executive Officer Bill D. Helton will become chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Coyt Webb will become president and chief operating officer. Additionally, Webb will become a director.

The board also elected Kenneth L. Ladd Jr. and David M. Wilks senior vice presidents effective

immediately. Ladd had been vice president of energy and environment. Wilks had been vice president of engineering and operations.

Shareholders of Southwestern Public Service Company have elected Lubbock businessman Giles M. "Buddy" Forbess to the board of directors. Shareholders also elected all directors standing for re-election at the company's annual meeting.

Forbess, 55, is president of Benton Oil Company and owner of Petroleum Transport and Brittain Specialty Company, all of Lubbock. He also serves on the boards of First National Bank at Lubbock and Ford Bank Group Inc.

Forbess is a graduate of Texas Tech University and active in Lubbock civic activities. He is on the boards of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce and the Red Raider Club.

SPS board members Bert Balengee of Amarillo and George C. Wilson of Lubbock both retired effective Jan. 9 and did not stand for re-election.

SPS primarily provides electric service to a population of about one million in a 52,000-square-mile area comprising eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southwestern Kansas. Corporate headquarters is in Amarillo.

Businesses sought for SBA student program

LUBBOCK — The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has announced that the Small Business Institute (SBI) is in operation at West Texas State University in Canyon for the spring semester. Client businesses are now being selected for the SBA-sponsored program, announced Walter Fronstin, district director.

Amarillo and Canyon area businesses wishing to participate in the

SBI program should contact Ben Neely, SBI director at WTSU, by calling (806) 656-2495. Participation can also be secured through the Lubbock SBA office by calling (806) 743-7462.

The SBI program gives senior or graduate students the opportunity to apply the skills they have learned in college to a live business environment.

In past years, WTSU student

teams have performed such efforts as market research projects, advertising studies, recordkeeping and paperwork analyses, and other similar projects.

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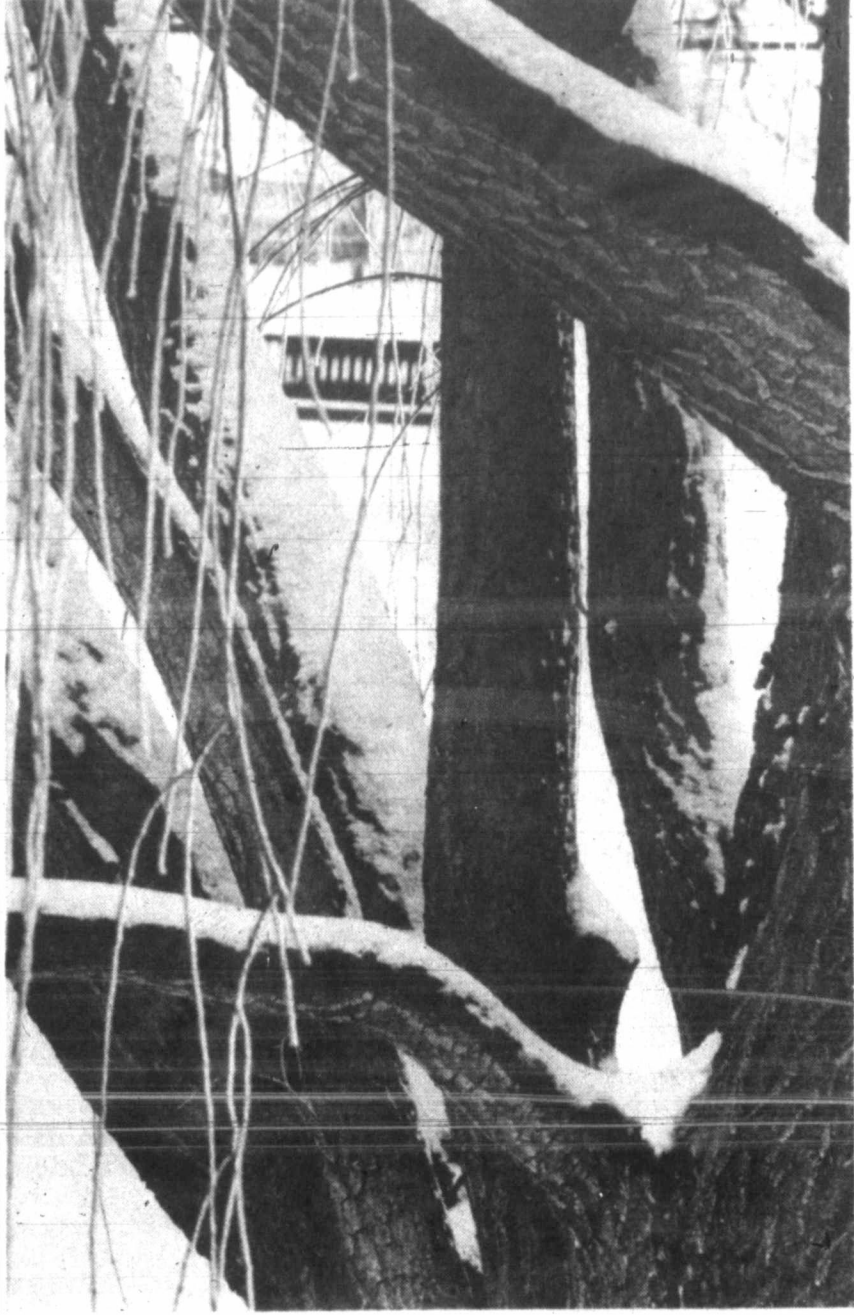
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Officials, advocates strive to curb alien highway deaths

SAN YSIDRO, Calif. (AP) — They gather in groups in the brush alongside Interstate 5 — men, women and children from Mexico, waiting for a chance to dash across the busy freeway to a new life of opportunity. Sometimes they don't make it.

The interstate, which starts near the Mexican border and extends northward through Los Angeles, has become a ribbon of death for illegal aliens. Since 1987, 127 of them have been killed and 96 injured as they tried to outrun Southern California motorists while evading border agents.

"Most of these people trying to cross have no conception of high-speed traffic and don't know what

freeways are," said California Highway Patrol spokesman Jerry Bohrer. "They don't have them where they came from."

"They see one car coming at 45 mph and think they can cross, but then the next car is doing 75 and they try to beat it and they get hit," he said.

Migrant advocates are alerting Mexican border communities by distributing small yellow cards that show a man being struck by a car. "For the love of God, do not cross the highways," it reads.

Signs have been posted along Interstate 5 and other border-area freeways warning motorists to watch out for pedestrians.

State and federal officials believe the intense media effort to warn of the pedestrian dangers has helped. More than 90 days passed before two women were killed on Christmas Eve near the U.S. Border Patrol checkpoint at San Clemente.

Migrant advocates are pressing for lower speed limits in areas where aliens cross. Bohrer said the highway patrol opposes the idea because sudden braking on the busy freeway would increase the risk of accidents. Instead, authorities plan to build a 5-mile-long, 8-foot-high barrier fence in the highway median near the checkpoint.

The fence, slated for completion in 1993 at a cost of \$10 million, has

drawn the ire of such migrant advocacy groups as the San Diego-based American Friends Service.

"The fence could conceivably trap them on the median and they would have to run back across the freeway," said its director, Roberto Martinez.

The fence "could also become a Border Patrol enforcement tool because it would be easier to round up the undocumented people in the median," he said.

But Ben Davidian, regional commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said the fence would prove a deterrent and denied the Border Patrol would use it to make its job easier.

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Sports

49ers bury Redskins behind Montana's 274 yards passing

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — As usual, Joe Montana could put the ball in the end zone. Mark Rypien couldn't. That's why the San Francisco 49ers are one step closer to an unprecedented third straight Super Bowl victory.

Throwing for 274 yards and two touchdowns, Montana led the 49ers past Washington 28-10, putting them into next Sunday's NFC title game against the winner of Sunday's game between the Chicago Bears and New York Giants.

Either will have its work cut out to keep the 49ers away from Tampa and a chance to become the first team ever to win three straight Super Bowls and five overall.

Montana, the league MVP the past two years and a three-time Super Bowl MVP, was 11 of 13 for 192 yards on three touchdown drives that gave the 49ers a 21-10 halftime lead.

The job was completed by San Francisco's defense, which yielded yardage but made the big plays when it had to — stopping Washington inside the 20 without a point three times in the second half as Rypien made the mistakes that Montana didn't.

Rypien threw three second-half

interceptions, the last of which 295-pound nose tackle Michael Carter returned 61 yards for the game's final touchdown with 57 seconds left.

Earlier, Johnny Jackson's interception terminated a third-quarter drive to the San Francisco 7 and another by Darryl Pollard in the end zone ended a drive to the 15 with 12:07 left. On that play, Rypien, who was 27 of 48 for 361 yards, threw the ball right at Pollard with no Redskin in the area.

Three minutes later, the 49ers stopped the Redskins again on fourth down after Monte Coleman's interception put Washington at the 19. It was Montana's first interception in 180 passes over five playoff games.

Overall, Montana was 22 of 31 and threw TD passes of 10 and 8 yards to Jerry Rice and Mike Sherrard in the second period before leaving with 40 seconds left after being hit in the jaw by Washington's Jumpy Geathers.

Washington scored the first time it got the ball on Rypien's 31-yard connection with Art Monk, who turned Pollard around, then breezed by him. It concluded a 74-yard drive that took 8 plays.

But San Francisco came right back with its own 74-yard, 8-play drive, one that included a 15-yard roughness call on Darrell Green,

who threw down Rice, his man-to-man assignment, after a 10-yard completion. Tom Rahman took it in from the 1 to conclude things.

Chip Lohmiller's field goal with 36 seconds left in the first quarter made it 10-7 Redskins.

Then San Francisco went 80 yards to take a 14-10 lead 3:52 into the second quarter on Montana's 10-yarder to Rice, who snatched the ball from between two Redskins. The TD was set up by a 28-yard gain on an option pass to Brent Jones from Harry Sydney, a running back who was a wishbone quarterback at Kansas a decade ago.

Then Montana put on another show, with precise passes through coverage to Roger Craig for 32 yards and to Jones for 47 more before hitting Sherrard with an 8-yarder that made it 21-10 with 6:31 left in the half. It capped an 89-yard, 5-play drive and marked the first catch in 10 weeks for Sherrard, who had missed the past 9 games with a broken ankle.

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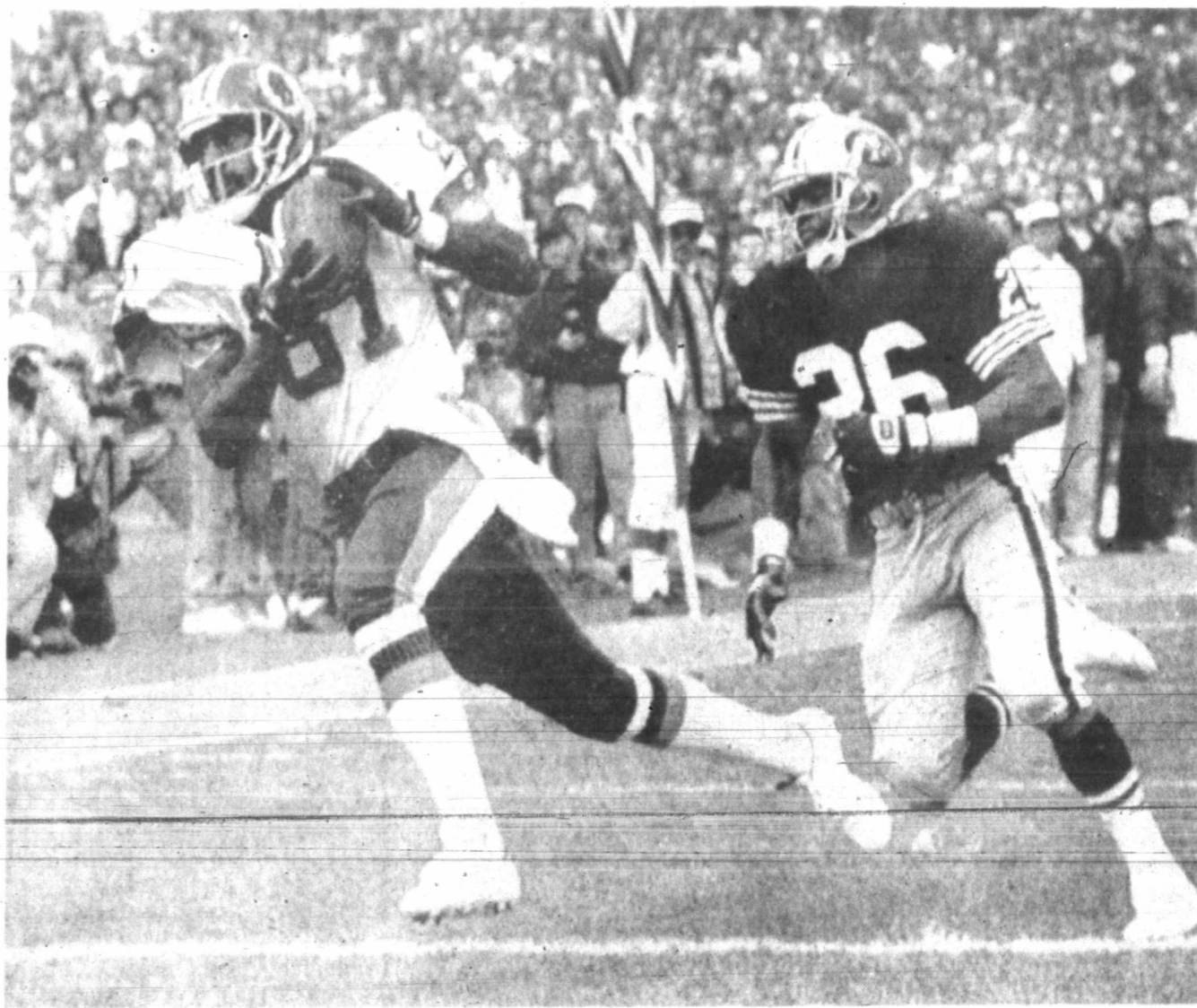
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Redskins' receiver Art Monk catches a 31-yard TD pass in the first quarter as the 49ers Daryl Pollard gives chase. However, the 49ers won, 28-10, Saturday to advance to the NFC title game.

Harvesters capture District 1-4A opener Mustangs spurt past Aggies

Pampa speeds past Hereford

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

HEREFORD — The Pampa Harvesters fulfilled one goal Friday night and made a big step in the right direction toward another one in an easy 78-49 win over Randall.

The Harvesters are now 20-3 overall and 1-0 in District 1-4A. Randall is 5-14; 0-1.

"One of our goals was to win 20 games and we accomplished that in the first district game," said Harvesters head coach Robert Hale.

Of course, the Harvesters' primary goal is to reach the playoffs for the third season in a row. And Pampa couldn't have started off down a possible playoff road much better, rolling to an 18-4 first-quarter bulge over the Whitefaces as Hale started emptying his bench early in the game.

"The thing I was more proud of than anything else was the way everybody played hard, and I mean everybody. All 11 players got into the game and every one of them contributed," Hale said.

Cederick Wilbon and Dwight Nickelberry paced Pampa's scoring attack with 20 points each.

"Cederick had his usual good game and Dwight came off the bench and really shot the ball well," Hale said. "Quincy Williams started the game and played well. Jeff Young and Randy Nichols made some heads-up plays. Ryan Erwin came in and got four or five big rebounds. It was just an outstanding team effort."

Quincy Williams started in place of senior Jayson Williams, who missed a week's practice after being struck in the eye by a ballpoint pen.



(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Randy Nichols chases down a loose ball.

Williams, wearing goggles, saw limited action.

"We've been through some adversity. In addition to Jayson's

injury, David (Johnson) was sick and couldn't practice all week," Hale said. "But the players overcame those problems and played

exceptionally well."

Wilbon appeared close to 100% healthy after suffering a leg injury in the Fort Worth Tournament last month. The 5-11 junior scored 15 first-half points as the Harvesters built a 20-point bulge at halftime.

Nickelberry canned 8 of 9 shots from the floor and converted four 3-pointers as the Harvesters as a team finished the night with an outstanding 55.1 (32-58) field goal percentage. The Harvesters were 6 of 10 from the foul line.

Hereford had difficulty finding the bucket, mainly because of Pampa's pressure defense. The Whitefaces shot only 34.6% (17-49) from the floor. Hereford also blew chances to close the gap from the foul line, connecting on only 12 of 23 tries.

Richard Sanderson was Hereford's top scorer with 17 points. Sanderson, only a sophomore, popped in three 3-point goals. Andrew Tijerina, a 6-5 pivot, followed with 10 points.

The Pampa JV's also won, 52-48, to extend their record to 17-3 and 1-0 in district.

Sammy Laury led Pampa in scoring with 18 points while Lamont Nickelberry contributed 10. Others in the scoring column for the Shockers were Sean Hardman 6, Todd McCavit 5, Chad Augustine 5, Danny Headrick 4, Justin Collingsworth 2 and Chris Poole 2.

Pampa clashes with Randall Thursday night in another district confrontation, starting at 8 p.m. in the Raiders' gym. The Raiders lost to Dumas, 66-64, Friday night in their district opener.

Pampa	18	43	61	48
Hereford	4	23	35	49

P — Dwight Nickelberry 20, Cederick Wilbon 20, Jeff Young 10, David Johnson 9, Randy Nichols 8, Paul Brown 5, Quincy Williams 4, Jayson Williams 2, H — Richardson Sanderson 17, Andrew Tijerina 16, Leo Brown 8, Chris Steward 6, Blake Buckley 2, 3-point goals: P — Nickelberry 4, Wilbon 2, Johnson 1, Young 1, Brown 1, Nichols 1; H — Sanderson 3; Records: Pampa (20-3, 1-0), Hereford (5-14, 0-1).

Aikman denies involvement in Shula's demotion

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Quarterback Troy Aikman says he was not involved in the decision-making process that led to Dave Shula's demotion from Cowboys offensive coordinator to receivers coach.

"If I had any input, Jerry Rhome would still be here," Aikman told The Dallas Morning News.

Rhome was the Cowboys' quarterback coach in 1989, Aikman's rookie season. Rhome left the club last off-season to become the Phoenix Cardinals' offensive coordinator.

Cowboys coach Jimmy Johnson announced staff changes Wednesday,

including Shula's reassignment.

Shula said he's been a scapegoat for the Cowboys' sporadic offense, one that finished last in the NFL but managed to win six games in the fourth quarter in a 7-9 season. But he said he would stay with the team in his new post.

Johnson said he talked with Aikman last week and that "he was aware of the possibility that this was going to take place."

Johnson denied Thursday Aikman had any influence on the decision.

Aikman said his meeting with Johnson "was more of a year in review. He said there might be the possibility of some changes on the

coaching staff, but nothing was definite."

To imply he had any input into the decision on Shula "is the farthest thing from the truth," Aikman said. "That did not take place. Jimmy is going to do what he wants to do. Everyone realizes that."

Aikman was a markedly better quarterback in his second season than in his rookie year. He completed a higher percentage of his passes (56.6 to 52.9) for more yards (2,579 to 1,749) and more touchdowns (11-9).

But he will have his third quarterback coach in three seasons in 1991. The front-runner to replace Shula

as offensive coordinator-quarterback coach appears to be Gary Stevens, Johnson's quarterback coach at the University of Miami in 1984-88 and now in that position with the Miami Dolphins.

The Dolphins are still alive in the AFC playoffs, facing the Buffalo Bills on Saturday in a conference semifinal.

"I haven't spoken with Jimmy in a while, so we obviously haven't spoken about any job," Stevens told The Morning News. "I have no comment on Dallas or any other vacancy. I'm spending all my time and effort toward helping the Dolphins win in the playoffs."

Lady Longhorns roll past Rice, 71-61

HOUSTON (AP) — Vicki Hall had 29 points and 9 rebounds to lead the 25th-ranked Texas Lady Longhorns past Rice, 71-61, in Southwest Conference women's play Friday night.

Texas (8-5, 3-1) led by 11 points at the half, but wasn't able to shake off the Owls for most of the second half. Four times, the Owls closed

the lead to 5 points, but that was as close as they could get in their fifth consecutive loss.

Johnna Pointer added 16 points for Texas.

Rice (6-6, 0-3) was led by Jennifer Judy who had 16 points and 6 rebounds. Yalonda Stiner added 14 points, while Evenda Barnes had 12 points.

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By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Southern Methodist's Tim Mason scored 16 points to spur the Mustangs to a 65-50 victory over Texas A&M University Saturday, giving the Aggies their worst start in Southwest Conference play since 1957.

SMU is 6-8 and 1-2 in the SWC while Texas A&M dropped to 4-10 and 0-4 under first year coach Kermit Davis Jr. A&M had a 0-7 start in the league race 24 years ago.

Texas A&M started four reserves, including two walk-ons, because Lynn Suber, Isaac Brown, RaShone Lewis, and Shedrick Anderson missed a morning meeting.

SMU built a 9-7 lead before the A&M starters were inserted back into the game.

The Mustangs increased the lead to 34-23 at halftime in a cold-shooting display that matched A&M's lowest point production of the year in the first 20 minutes.

A&M only shot 25 percent from the field in the first half as the Mustangs built a 34-20 lead on Mike Wilson's nine points.

A 3-point basket at the buzzer by Brooks Thompson cut the Mustang lead to 11.

Lewis led A&M with 18 points. The Aggies, who were 1-for-14 from the field to start the second half, shot only 26 percent from the field for the game. A&M didn't make a basket until 14:10 in the first half.

Chad Allen and Wilson had 11 points each for the Mustangs, who enjoyed their widest margin of victory in the John Shumate era.

A 3-point basket at the final buzzer by Thompson kept A&M from its lowest point total of the year, 49 against Kansas State.

Shumate praised the Mustangs' defense.

"We played very well on defense," Shumate said. "It was just an outstanding job."

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Lady Harvesters collect win No. 3 in District 1-4A

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

HEREFORD — Pampa had only a three-point third quarter, but it was hardly noticed as the Lady Harvesters breezed to a 47-31 win over Hereford in District 1-4A action Friday night.

Kristen Becker's 3-point goal were the only points for Pampa during that dry spell, but the Lady Whitefaces bucketed only seven points themselves, still leaving them trailing by 12 points going into the fourth quarter.

"I've harped on how important it is to have a good third quarter, but we came out and had a letdown. Three points in a quarter is the lowest we've been held to this year. We were held to five points in the Duncanville Tournament. However, I was real pleased with the way the girls played defense, especially in the first half," said PHS head girls' coach Albert Nichols. "We really got after them."

The Lady Harvesters never trailed and were leading by 16 at halftime, scoring 14 unanswered points to finish off the second quarter.

Becker, a 5-10 junior, led all scorers with 14 points. She hit 5 of 12 shots from the floor, four coming from beyond the 3-point line.

"Kristen is the best long-range shooter I've ever coached. Her percentage against Hereford wasn't as good as it usually is, but she's been shooting lights out," Nichols said.

Nikki Ryan, Pampa's top scorer for the season, found herself double-teamed by Hereford's zone, but the 5-9 junior still wound up with 13 points. She got off only 9 shots, but made good on six of them. Amber Seaton chipped in 12 points and Bridgett Mathis, starting for the injured Sheila Reed, added 8, includ-



(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

The Lady Harvesters' Nikki Ryan (40) passes off to a teammate Friday night against Hereford.

ing a 3-pointer. Reed, who is suffering from a toe injury, did get into the game for the final two minutes. Senior point guard Christa West

didn't score, but she did just about everything else to help the Lady Harvesters win.

"She played good defense, piled up the assists and did good job of han-

dling the ball," Nichols said.

The Lady Harvesters hit exactly 50% of their shots from the floor (11-22) the first half and finished the night hitting 42.8% (18-42). They were a perfect 6 of 6 from the foul line.

Hereford managed only 27.9% from the floor on 12 of 43 attempts and were 57.1% (4-7) from the free throw line.

The Lady Whitefaces' poor field goal percentage was due mainly to the Lady Harvesters' aggressive, pressing style of defense.

"Our defense is getting better and better," Nichols added. "We played great defense throughout the entire game against Hereford."

Donna Grotegut led Hereford with 8 points, followed by Stephanie Wilcox and Jennifer Bullard with 6 each.

The Lady Harvesters are now 3-0 in district play and 13-8 overall with the victory. Hereford is 1-2 and 12-12.

Pampa also won the junior varsity contest, 48-29.

The Lady Harvesters meet Randall Thursday night with the winner taking over the top spot in the district standings. Randall, also 3-0 in district, defeated Dumas, 72-38, Friday night.

The Pampa-Randall game gets started at 6:30 p.m. in the Randall High gymnasium.

"With the way we've been playing defense, I feel like we've got a good chance of beating Randall and taking over sole possession of first place," Nichols said.

The Lady Harvesters will also be out for some revenge. Pampa lost two meetings with Randall last season.

Borger downed Caprock, 56-40, in the other district game Friday night.

Bills outlast Dolphins

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Injured Jim Kelly won a brilliant battle with Dan Marino on a snowy Saturday afternoon, leading Buffalo to a 44-34 playoff victory over Miami that thrust the Bills into the AFC championship game.

Playing on a gimpy left knee that had sidelined him for 21/2 games, Kelly passed for 339 yards and three touchdowns while wearing down the Dolphins, who had not surrendered over 300 passing yards in a game all season. He also took off on several dangerous scrambles over the snow-slicked artificial surface and even went out as a receiver on one play.

When Kelly was done, he had the Bills in the AFC championship game for the second time in the last three years. Buffalo plays the winner of Sunday's game between the Los Angeles Raiders and Cincinnati Bengals for a spot in the Super Bowl.

A morning mist that turned to snow early in the game obliterated the yard lines, making every play an adventure. But Kelly ignored the elements, playing as if it were 72 degrees and sunny instead of 31 and snowing.

Marino, more accustomed to comfortable conditions, still kept Miami in the chase, running for one TD and passing for two others. But in the end, Kelly prevailed, helped by three field goals by Scott Norwood and 117

yards rushing by Thurman Thomas, who also scored two touchdowns.

With his offensive line blocking tenaciously, Kelly had time to pick out second and third receivers and found them frequently.

Even when things went badly for him, they turned out well.

On one first-quarter play, Kelly was flushed out of the pocket and forced to run. He tucked the ball under his arm and took off, gaining big yardage before Miami's E.J. Junior stripped the ball away.

As it bounced loose, center Kent Hull recovered, turning the near disaster into an 18-yard gain and a first down. Moments later, Norwood converted the turn of good fortune into a 22-yard field goal.

But the Dolphins wouldn't go away.

Marino hit Mark Duper on a 64-yard TD pass that narrowed the gap to 20-10. Then, after Kelly struck again, this time on a 13-yard TD pitch to Lofton, Marino brought Miami right back.

On fourth-and-5 with less than two minutes before halftime, Marino clicked again with Duper on a 38-yard pass, putting the ball inside the Bills' 5. On third down, Marino made a perfect fake and bootlegged into the end zone for a TD to pull the Dolphins within 10 points again.

SWC moving closer to scheduling alliance with Big East Conference

HOUSTON (AP) — The Southwest Conference has moved closer to a scheduling alliance with the Big East Conference following a "very encouraging" meeting between league officials, a Houston newspaper reported.

The leagues' athletic directors met Wednesday at the annual NCAA Convention in Nashville, Tenn., and are scheduled to meet again during the Final Four in Indianapolis in April, the Houston Chronicle said.

SWC commissioner Fred Jacoby described the first meeting of the conference's athletic directors as "very encouraging," but added that any agreement would be delayed until after the Big East's Division I-A football-playing members complete the structuring of their league.

"It went very well," Jacoby said. "We had all the athletic directors except (SMU's) Forrest Gregg (who is in Japan for a college all-star game), the athletic directors from

Pittsburgh, Syracuse and Boston College, and I think there was a consensus of opinion.

"I am more optimistic about it happening than before the meeting."

Jacoby said an alliance with the Big East would not preclude an SWC alliance with the Big Eight.

But Wednesday's meeting with the Big East could be considered a strong sign because it answered doubts about the Big East's interest.

"The idea was treated favorably even without former Miami athletic director Sam Jankovich, who had been the Big East's most vocal advocate of an alliance with the SWC."

"It was just preliminary," Rice athletic director Bobby May said. "We're not sure yet what it would entail, so it's difficult to say what our opinion on it will be."

"But there does seem to be genuine mutual interest. I think something positive could come out of it."

Olympic gold medalist faces DWI charges

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Olympic gold medalist Carl Lewis sprinted from a police station to an awaiting car and was driven away hiding his face Friday after he was charged with drunken driving.

Lewis, winner of six Olympic gold medals, was arrested early Friday after officers observed the car he was driving strike a curb while making a turn, blowing out two tires on the vehicle.

Authorities said Lewis was taken into custody after failing a field sobriety test. Another test administered at the police station put Lewis' blood-alcohol content at 0.12. In Texas, the legal intoxication limit is 0.10.

Lewis dove into the back seat of a car driven by his attorney and was whisked from the police station.

"The attorney doesn't want to talk to the media and neither does Mr. Lewis," said Sgt. Ralph Gonzales, a police spokesman.

Lewis was charged with driving

while intoxicated, a Class B misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and up to six months in jail. Lewis posted a \$500 bond for his release.

"As far as I know, there were no problems with Mr. Lewis," Gonzales said.

Officers said two men and a woman were in the car with Lewis.

One of the passengers, Andre McMillan, was arrested for resisting arrest after he allegedly became belligerent while officers tried to administer a field sobriety test to Lewis, police spokesman Kevin Robertson said.

The police spokesman said Lewis' Audi was pulled over at 2:05 a.m. near the city's Galleria district after officers in a patrol car saw the Audi make a turn, strike a curb and blow out both right-side tires, disabling the car in the middle of the street.

Gonzales said Lewis was free to go by late morning, some nine hours after his arrest, but chose to remain at the police station until police were finished processing McMillan.

Sports Scene

Soccer

Registration for the Pampa Youth Indoor Soccer Leagues will be held this week at the soccer rink, located at 415 West Brown.

Registration times are from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, 12 noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The leagues will consist of Under 6 to Under 14 teams.

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Basketball

HOUSTON (AP) — Former Golden State and Atlanta center Chris Washburn, who has completed a treatment program at the John Lucas Treatment and Recovery Center, will try to resume his career in the CBA, Lucas said Friday night.

Lucas earlier told KRIV-TV that Washburn had been cleared to play in the CBA but he later told the television station "We at this point do not have clearance for the CBA."

Washburn was a first round selection of the Warriors in 1986, the third player overall in the NBA draft. He was traded in December 1987 to Atlanta, which retains his NBA rights.

He was suspended from the NBA in March 1989 and is eligible to re-apply in March this year. He currently is awaiting assignment to a CBA team.

Washburn, 6-11, 275, appeared 72 NBA games and averaged 3.1 points and had 176 rebounds and 16 blocked shots.

"He's been getting his life back together," Lucas said. "Everybody knows he's a great player, he's just had some problems maintaining his sobriety and he's doing that now."

Baseball

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Onetime relief ace Rich Gossage has taken the first step toward a possible comeback, but the pitcher and the thrifty Texas Rangers find themselves in a difficult situation.

Gossage, a nine-time All-Star try-

ing to comeback at age 39, earned an invitation to the Rangers spring training camp with an impressive workout Thursday at Arlington Stadium. But first he must agree to a contract.

Gossage would attend camp as a non-roster player and sign the contract if he makes the team.

He earned \$1.25 million in 1989 before the San Francisco Giants released him. But the Rangers' self-imposed payroll budget may not allow them to pay him even half that.

"The Rangers are limited to a payroll of about \$20 million, and will push that figure with hefty raises for their eight arbitration-eligible players."

"You don't want to get into a situation where someone lights up the camp and doesn't have a contract," general manager Tom Grieve said. "This will not be a big-money deal."

Boxing

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — A left uppercut by Ray Mercer drove through the nose of Francesco Damiani and steered Mercer into more serious consideration as a contender for major heavyweight titles.

The punch that dropped Damiani at 2:47 of the ninth round Friday night gave Mercer the little-coveted World Boxing Organization title. Mercer had trailed on all three judges' scorecards before connecting against Damiani, who lost for the first time in 28 fights.

"I knew he was ahead on points," Mercer said. "I feel he outpointed me from the start."

Evander Holyfield holds the three major heavyweight titles and Mercer will have to stay busy while waiting to see what happens with Holyfield and higher-ranked contenders such as Mike Tyson, George Foreman and Razor Ruddock.

Mercer, from Newark, N.J., didn't say who he would fight next.

Cedar Hill cager collapses, dies during game

CEDAR HILL, Texas (AP) — Investigators are awaiting results from toxicology and microscopic tests to determine what caused the death of a high school basketball player, who collapsed during a game Friday.

An investigator with the Dallas County medical examiner's office, who declined to be named, said Saturday that it will take "a couple of weeks" for the results.

Nathaniel Quincy, 18, Cedar Hill's leading scorer and rebounder, collapsed in the second quarter against Red Oak High School after missing a foul shot and running to get back on defense.

Efforts by paramedics and others in the gymnasium failed and Quincy was taken to Charlton Methodist Hospital in Duncanville. He was pronounced dead about 9 p.m., some 30 minutes after he collapsed.

Quincy was running downcourt when he grabbed his head and collapsed in front of the Cedar Hill bench, Red Oak coach John Lejpheimer said.

"It happened so quick,"

Lejpheimer told The Dallas Morning News. "It was just one or two steps. It wasn't a hard fall. The trainers got right on him and did CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation). Everything was done that could be done."

The game was canceled.

Quincy, 6-2, who played guard and forward, led Red Oak in scoring (16) and rebounds (8). Lejpheimer said Quincy hoped to play basketball in junior college next year.

Cedar Hill and Red Oak are just south of Dallas.

"The EMTs worked on him there. Then, we performed CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) on him," said a hospital spokeswoman who declined to be identified. "But we had no way of knowing what the cause of his collapse was."

"He had no kind of problems that we were apprised of," she said.

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On the home front: What will be impact of war in Persian Gulf?

By STEPHANIE NANO
Associated Press Writer

It would dominate the news and monopolize lunch-counter conversations. But would a war in the Persian Gulf really have much impact on the day-to-day lives of Americans?

In little ways, the Middle East crisis has already touched ordinary citizens. Bus fares went up in Columbus, Ohio, to cover higher fuel costs; worried shoppers spent less for Christmas; some small towns lost their only doctor to the military callup.

The impact has been more direct on thousands of men and women in the reserves or National Guard, yanked from their jobs and out of classrooms — and on the families they left behind.

But, otherwise, how would war's repercussions echo across the nation?

Much depends on when hostilities begin and how long war lasts. No one suggests a replay of World War II, when victory gardens sprouted in backyards, volunteers scanned the skies for enemy planes, and children pulling wagons collected tin cans for the war effort.

The home front was a front united at the outset of World War II. There was no need to question motives; Pearl Harbor had been attacked.

But the American public has had five months to ponder the rapid buildup of troops in the Persian Gulf and recall the lessons of the Vietnam War.

"Americans are much less easily sold on war than they were at that time," said Todd Gitlin, a sociologist at the University of California, Berkeley. "It's much easier for them to believe that the government lies. It's much easier for them to be suspicious of the government's motives."

"And therefore they're much less likely to line up behind the president."

Robert Karl Manoff thinks likewise. Manoff, director of the Center for War, Peace and the News Media at New York University, initially thought it would take the outbreak of war to test public support for President Bush.

But "the social memory of Vietnam is so strong at this point that even the prospect of those body bags coming home in great numbers has been enough to shake this very thin, shaky structure of support for the president and his policies," he said.

Americans are likely to see the first tangible impact of war at the gas pump. The price of oil has fluctuated wildly since the invasion of Kuwait, pushing up the price of gasoline before it began trickling back down.

And despite assurances from the Energy Department that domestic oil supplies will be adequate if

fighting erupts, energy experts believe prices may soar.

Gas station owner Jerry Rudowsky is ready to hear more complaining from his customers in Cleveland's Slovak Village area.

"We're in a working-class neighborhood and get a lot of grumbling and griping about it because they're on fixed incomes," Rudowsky said. "No one likes to pay more for something they have to have — and gas is a necessity."

Federal aviation officials won't talk about the impact war might have on air travel, or what security precautions are being considered.

"We are watching it constantly,"

said Fred Farrar, spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington. "We will take whatever measures are necessary to keep air travel safe."

An academic expert on terrorism expects security to be tightened at domestic airports.

"I think it will take a little longer to get your flight, get your baggage checked," said Victor LeVine, a political science professor at Washington University in St. Louis. "There may well be more screening ... more security personnel at airports, particularly at major airports."

At San Francisco International Airport, for example, authorities

might make domestic passengers subject to the security measures now used for international flights, airport spokesman Ron Wilson said. That means barring non-passengers from departure-gate areas, no curbside checking of baggage, and making sure passengers with checked baggage get on the flight.

"We don't want to overly inconvenience passengers," Wilson said. "But we will do whatever we have to provide for safety" of aircraft and passengers.

The FBI has been tight-lipped about what it is doing to safeguard the home front in the event of war.

"We have an ongoing counterterrorism program that's an FBI

investigative priority — has been for several years now," FBI spokesman Mike Kortan said. "Everything that we're doing now comes under that investigative area."

The State Department has increasingly expressed concern about a terrorism campaign against American interests during a war.

Terrorism expert LeVine thinks such attacks are unlikely, although not impossible, in the United States.

"It's much more likely that Saddam's supporters would strike at American targets outside of the United States, possibly in Europe, which has always been the most accessible for Middle East terror-

ists," LeVine said. "It's much more difficult to execute successful terrorist strikes in the United States for the simple reason it takes a lot longer to get here and to get out."

Civil defense falls under the Federal Emergency Management Agency and it hasn't called for any heightened readiness. "There appears to be no strategic threat to the continental United States," spokesman Marvin Davis said.

War could increase the need for blood donors, but shouldn't hurt U.S. supplies, said the American Association of Blood Banks, whose members supply half the nation's blood supply.

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Monrow Finney and his wife Pat do the two-step during a round dance.

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Square dancing — America's official folk dance — can be enjoyed by all ages. Anyone who can walk, can square dance.

Square dancing enthusiasts say it is one of the best forms of exercise that is much more fun than jogging or aerobics classes. They say few people smile while working out because they aren't having fun while square dancers smile and get their exercise at the same time.

An average of three to five miles can be covered in an evening of fun, fellowship and music, and 99% of the time the dancers are smiling or laughing — many times at their own mistakes.

Square dancing advocates call it a wholesome, inexpensive activity that provides families with a mutual, healthy interest and lifelong friends. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at square dances, and members are strongly discouraged from drinking before coming to a dance.

Square dancing is something the whole family can do just about any where in the United States and almost every country in the world. Square dancing is taught and called in English worldwide, so even those in a foreign country can still dance. At the national square dancing convention held in Memphis, Tenn., last year, nine foreign countries were represented. Calico Capers Square Dance Club of Pampa has had members learning to dance from as far away as Japan and Sweden.

A square of eight dancers might include wives, mothers, daughters or grandmothers with no generation gap. Social status disappears and bankers, mechanics, lawyers, laborers dance together to all types of music from country love songs to rock and roll, blues or jazz. Many churches of several denominations sponsor square and round dancing as part of their recreational facilities.

Perhaps one thing that makes square dancing so appealing is its informality. One cannot be stiff and formal and learn to dance. And dancers can dress for comfort by wearing low heels. Most women wear the full ruffled skirt and petticoat and a simple blouse or a simple mid-length denim skirt or prairie dress. Men wear slacks or jeans and a long-sleeved shirt with Western boots or comfortable shoes.

Lessons are usually given one per week for approximately 20 weeks, at a nominal cost of from \$1 to \$2 per person per lesson. After lessons, club membership will depend upon current club dues — anywhere from \$1 to \$20 a couple per month. Special dances are held periodically and the cost varies from \$1.00 to \$5.00 per person.

Square dancing has a long and interesting history. It evolved from the old European court dances and was brought to America in colonial times. Today's square dance has little resemblance to the old time dance. While the square dance of a century ago was

allocated to the barns, today's square dancing takes place in some of our cities' most beautiful structures — church auditoriums, parks, recreational buildings, civic centers, and private air conditioned halls. Square dancing has come out of the barn.

There are only seventeen notes in a musical scale; but think of the many thousands of melodies and intricate concertos made up of these few notes simply by arranging them in different sequences! That's the way it is with square dancing. Square dancing consists of only a few fundamental movements, but hundreds of dances result from changing the arrangements. That's why the instructor drills the new dancer in the fundamentals; once the basics are learned dancers, can dance with ease at any dance, to any caller. All dancers are encouraged to visit other clubs to circulate and meet new people and callers.

Round dancing — a "couple" dance done in a circle around the dance floor — is often done at larger square dances. Rounds often alternate with squares during an evening. Round dancing rhythms include the two step, waltz, fox trot, tango, and cha cha. In its origins are such dances as the polka, schottische, and even "Put Your Little Foot." For more information on round dancing, call Russell Hollis at 665-1083.

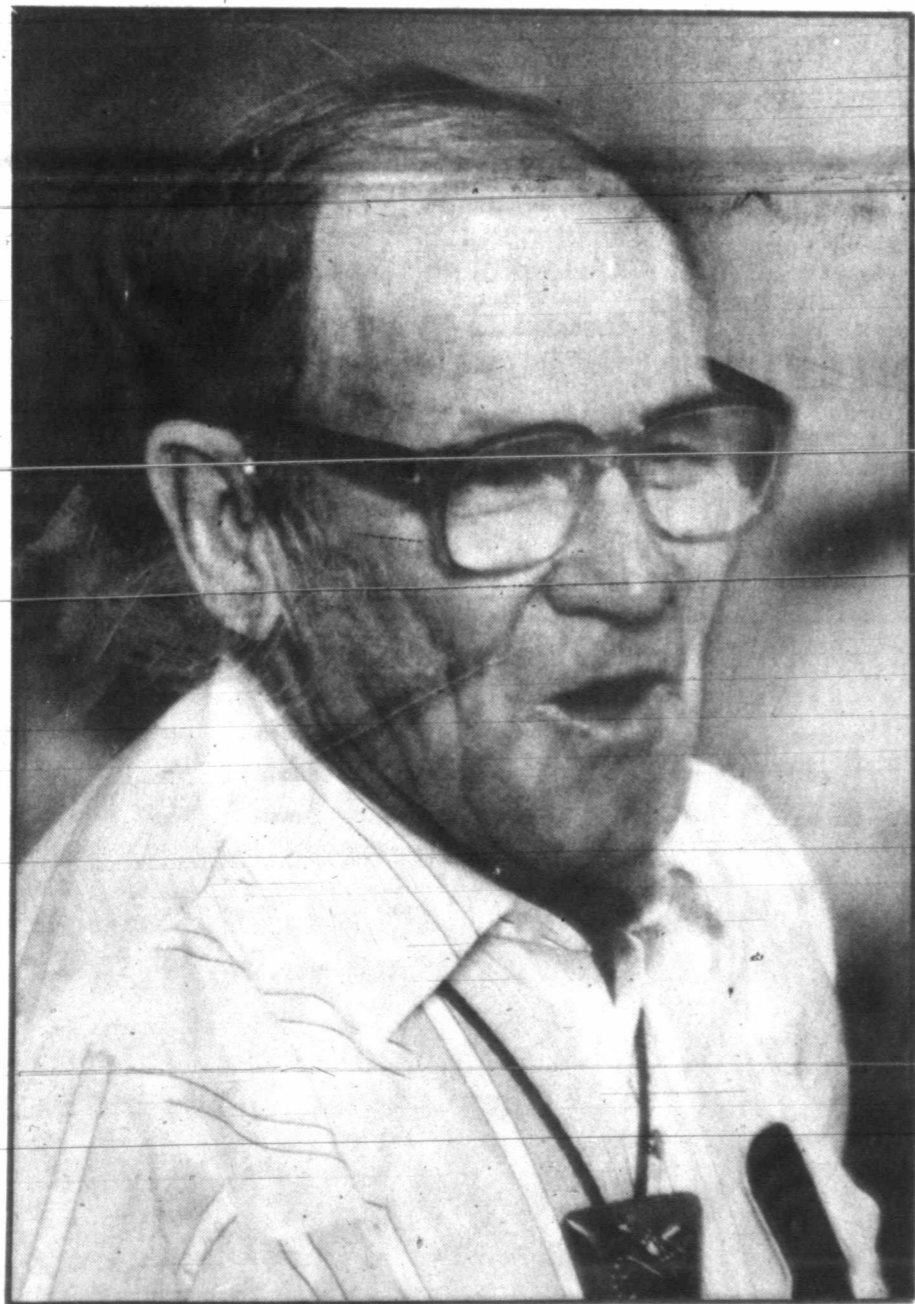
Learning to square dance is an enjoyable excursion into something new and different.

Pampa's Calico Capers Square Dance Club is one of 18 clubs in the Top-of-Texas Square and Round Dance Association. Member clubs send representatives to association meetings as well as participating in the association dance.

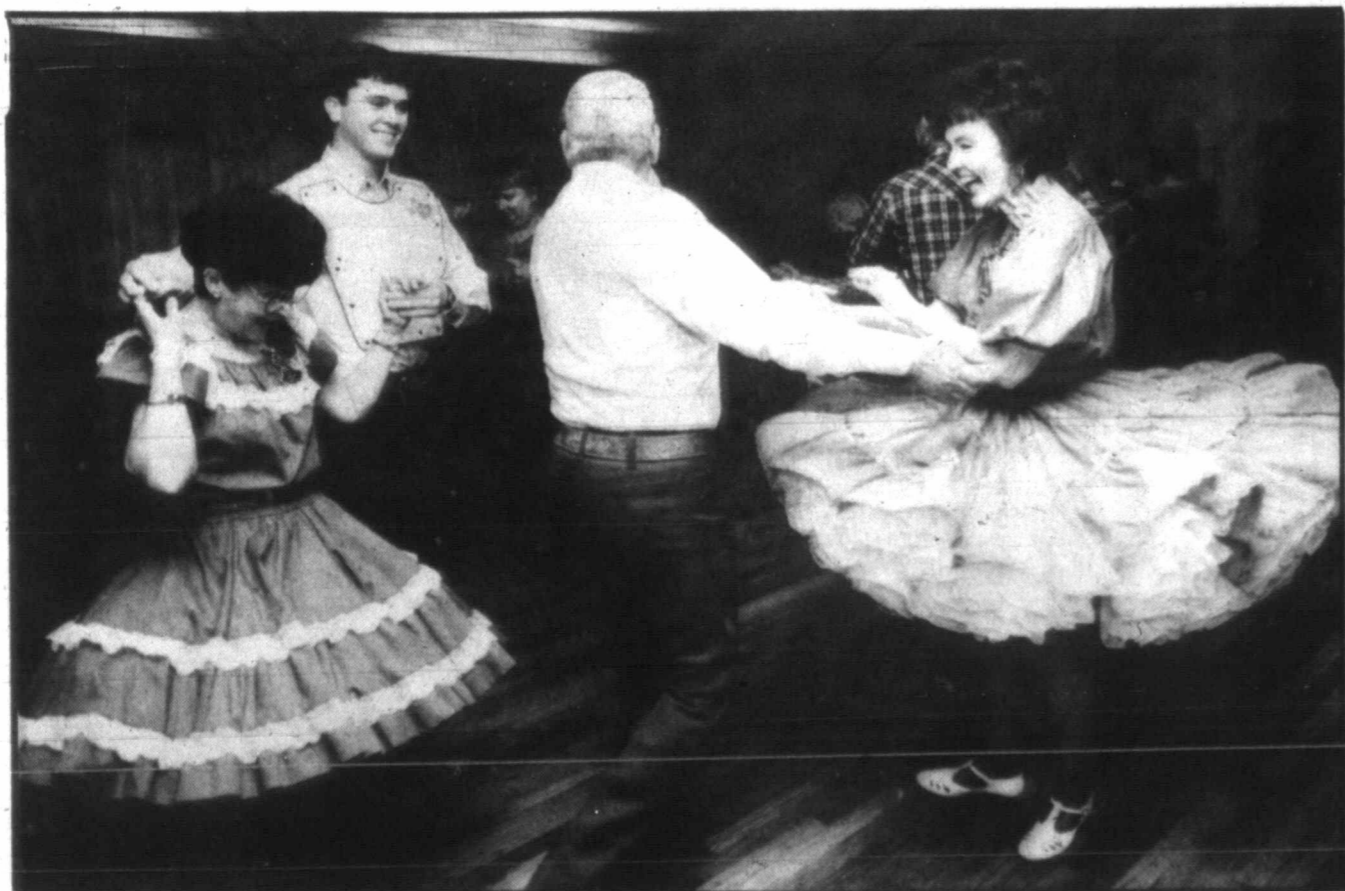
Association dances are held monthly at the Amarillo Civic Center and are highlighted with well-known callers from around the nation. Area clubs also visit each others dances, enjoying a friendly competition in the form of capturing the host's club banner if the visitors bring two squares (eight couples) or more. A banner is retrieved by returning the visit.

Pampa's Calico Capers now has about 25 active members. Ages range from 12 on up. Regular club dances are the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Saturday nights at 324 Naida, one of the best square and round dance halls in this area. The whole club often goes to dances in Amarillo and Borger and a number of club members were able to attend the State Festival in Lubbock last year.

Club caller is Gary Schick of Borger. He will be starting lessons in January. A western party and chili supper was held Jan. 8 for all the new dancers to get to know each other. Lessons will be held at the Girl Scout Little House, 720 E. Kingsmill. Visitors are always welcome and Calico Capers is looking for new members. First three lessons are free to give newcomers a chance to try square dancing.



Shorty Albert of Borger's Boots & Calico Club



Calico Capers members Ricky Payne, left, and Duane Howe do-si-do with partners, DeDe McWilliams, Boots & Calico, left, and Pat Finney, far right.



Gene and Betty Baskin clap to the music while taking a breather.

Lifestyles



Mr. and Mrs. Jon David Oden
Leslie Dawn McQueen

McQueen-Oden

Leslie Dawn McQueen and Jon David Oden exchanged wedding vows in a candlelight ceremony Dec. 29 at Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ with the bride's brother David McQueen, Trinity, Lubbock, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of C.V. and Norma McQueen of Pampa. Parents of the groom are Ken and Lorraine Oden of Houston.

Honor attendant to the bride was Amber Ickles of Plainview. Bridesmaids were Jeannette McQueen of Lubbock, Anne Martin of Kansas City, Mo., and Scout Oden of Houston, the groom's sister. Anita and Consuelo Hacker, both of Pampa, served as flower girls.

Brian Marcantel of Houston stood as best man. Also attending the groom were Russell Carter of Wichita Falls, Gary Shortnacy of Forney and Carl McQueen of Abilene, the bride's brother.

Guests were escorted to their seats by Tracy Bezner of Pampa and Chris Ickles of Plainview. Candlelighters were C.V. McQueen, father of the bride, and Ken Oden, the groom's father. Sharon McQueen of Pampa attended the guest register.

Special music was provided by vocalists Kathy Smith, Chantelle Rhorbacher, Michelle Mullican, Jennifer Mouhot, all of Pampa; Matt Henry, Tim Crump, both of Canyon, and Ronnie Berry and Donnie Berry, both of Pampa.

A reception in the church fellowship hall followed the wedding service with Sharon McQueen, Juli Enloe, both of Pampa, Misty Shortnacy and Marcy Shortnacy, both of Forney, assisting.

The bride is a graduate of Pampa High School. She is employed by Therman Clean Care Center of Lubbock and plans to attend Texas Tech University.

The groom is a Clearlake High School graduate. He is a pre-med major at Texas Tech University and is employed by Texas Tech.

The couple plan to honeymoon in San Antonio. They plan to make their home in Lubbock.



Mrs. J. Tom Pruett II
Catherine Ann Neslage

Neslage-Pruett

Mrs. Teresa I. Williams of Pampa and Mr. William E. Neslage of El Paso announce the marriage of their daughter Catherine Ann Neslage of Canyon, to J. Tom Pruett II of Sierra Vista, Ariz. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tom Pruett of Hobbs, N.M.

The wedding was an event of Dec. 29, 1990 at the First Presbyterian Church of Pampa. Elizabeth Neslage attended her sister as maid of honor. Other attendants were Kelly Anne Finkenbinder of Pampa, Amie Reid of Amarillo, Dee Dee Borup of Canyon, and Jane Cree of San Angelo. Acting as flower girls were Meagan Elizabeth Cree of San Angelo and Erica Martin.

Standing as best man was J. Tom Pruett of Hobbs, N.M., father of the groom. Other groomsmen were Guy Green of Pampa, Roger Cross of Canyon, and Steve Brown of Albuquerque, N.M. Ring bearer was John Joseph Cree of San Angelo. Ushers were William E. Neslage II, brother of the bride, of Arlington, and Sam Mills of Hobbs, N.M.

Lighting candles were Kelly Anne Finkenbinder of Pampa, and Phil King of Dimmett. Guests were registered by Yvette Zachery of Lubbock.

Musical selections were provided by Janet Whitsell, vocalist, and Doris Goad, instrumentalist.

The reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Mack, grandparents of the bride. Those serving were Amy Pierce and Mary Lisa McBride, both of Lubbock, and Debi Mack of Pampa.

The bride is a 1986 graduate of Pampa High School and is a senior elementary education major at West Texas State University.

The groom is a 1982 graduate of Hobbs, N.M., High School and a 1988 graduate of West Texas State University with a degree in finance.

The couple plan to make their home in Sierra Vista, Ariz.

Menus

Jan. 14-18

Pampa Meals on Wheels

- Monday**
Stew, cornbread, apple pie.
- Tuesday**
Tater-Tot Casserole, cabbage, blackeyed peas, fruit cocktail.
- Wednesday**
Ham loaf, cream-style corn, mixed greens, jello.
- Thursday**
Steak fingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, pudding.
- Friday**
Chicken tejitas, macaroni/cheese, zucchini with tomatoes.

Pampa Senior Citizens

- Monday**
Chicken fried steak or beef enchiladas; mashed potatoes; spinach; Harvard beets; pinto beans; slaw; toss or jello salad; butterscotch crunch or cherry cobbler; cornbread or hot rolls.
- Tuesday**
Meat loaf or chicken chow mein, new potatoes, blackeyed peas with okra, green beans, slaw, toss or jello salad, chocolate pie or lemon cheese cake, cornbread or hot rolls.
- Wednesday**
Roast beef brisket with brown gravy; mashed potatoes; carrots; turnip greens; slaw, toss or jello salad; banana pie or coconut cake; cornbread or hot rolls.
- Thursday**
Oven fried chicken or Polish sausage, mashed potatoes, lima beans, fried okra, slaw, toss or jello salad, pumpkin squares or carrot cake, cornbread or hot rolls.
- Friday**
Fried cod fish or hamburger steak with onions; French fries; broccoli casserole; corn on the cob; slaw, toss or jello salad; lemon pie or brownies; garlic bread; cornbread or hot rolls.

Lefors School

- Monday**
Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch: Oven fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, banana pudding, milk.
- Tuesday**
Breakfast: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, juice, milk.
Lunch: Polish sausage, macaroni and cheese, English peas, rolls, cobbler, milk.
- Wednesday**
Breakfast: Oats, rice, toast, juice, milk.
Lunch: Oven pork chops, potatoes, gravy, blackeyed peas, rolls, apple crisp, milk.
- Thursday**
Breakfast: Sausage SOS, biscuits, juice, milk.
Lunch: Pinto beans, oven potatoes, corn bread, apricots, milk.
- Friday**
Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk.
Lunch: Hamburgers, HB salad, pickles, corn, rice treats, milk.

Pampa Schools

- Monday**
Breakfast: Cereal; toast; fruit; milk
Lunch: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, gravy, mixed fruit, hot roll, choice of milk.
- Tuesday**
Breakfast: Malt-o-meal; toast; juice; milk
Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, pear halves, hot roll, choice of milk.
- Wednesday**
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs; biscuits; fruit; milk.
Lunch: Sausage pizza, buttered corn, peach slices, choice of milk.
- Thursday**
Breakfast: Toast; sausage; fruit; milk.
Lunch: Sliced turkey with gravy, whipped potatoes, blackeyed peas, hot roll, cherry cobbler, choice of milk.
- Friday**
Breakfast: Pancakes; fruit; milk.
Lunch: Hamburger on a bun, burger salad, french fries, pineapple, choice of milk.

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Seamstress brings new life to old lace through restoration

FORT WORTH (AP) - If ever there was a dress that has stood the test of time, it is this one.

Hand-sewn in 1905, it has been worn by five nervous brides, survived a major fire and endured many feeble restorations.

But when bride-to-be Mary-Mikel Barcus first saw the 85-year-old wedding gown originally sewn for her fiancée's grandmother, she wasn't sure it could take another walk down the aisle or survive another twirl on the dance floor.

Its fragile lace, imported from Belgium in 1904, was falling apart, time had turned small tears into large rips and the original hand-beading had all but evaporated. Ms. Barcus was afraid the dress might disintegrate at the altar.

Putting fear aside, she carefully eased the dress on and a strange thing happened. As if something came to life within the dress, Barcus immediately felt an eerie yet strong connection with it and knew beyond a shadow of a doubt that this was the dress she'd wear - even if it was in shreds. The dress even fit her perfectly, leaving some to wonder if it hadn't been made for her.

Five brides in her fiancée's family, the Klinefelters, had walked the aisle in this gown. Though Ms. Barcus was thrilled with the idea of being the sixth, major restorations were needed and hope soon began to vanish when several tailors refused to work on it.

Enter Judy Shannon.

"I didn't think there would be a problem with restoring it, but nobody would touch it," Barcus says. "I was ready to iron facing onto it so it wouldn't fall apart, when a customer in the store (where Barcus works) knew about Judy. She immediately took to it. It was like she'd know the dress before."

Shannon, 48, is not a professional seamstress, nor is she a bridal consultant. She is a former dental hygienist, mother and resident of west Fort Worth who just happens to work wonders with a needle and thread. And demand for her talent is growing so strongly, she is considering turning her hobby into a full-time business.

"Several years ago, I took in a TCU girl to live with me. When she got married, she took her dress to a seamstress who got in over her

head; she couldn't finish it in time. So I helped out by doing the hand-beading," Shannon says.

"It took hours and hours of hand-beading. Well, she told everyone that I had made the gown, and suddenly, four of her friends were calling me to make them gowns."

While most of her clients are from Dallas, word is getting around about Shannon and her meticulous hand-beading, her magical ability to copy wedding gowns (often more beautiful than the designer version) and restoration of older gowns.

Shannon says people come to her because she places the beading artistically rather than in rows, as is done by machine. People do not come to her to save money.

"Many times people bring in a picture of a dress they like, and we'll copy it," Shannon says. "Often it's not an exact copy. Maybe there's more beading, less beading, different sleeves or no train."

Shannon learned to sew in the ninth grade because she absolutely loved clothes, she says. If practice

makes perfect, she is about as fastidious a seamstress as there is. That can mean very long days and late nights; she often spends upwards of 90 hours hand-sewing the beads onto fabric.

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Chamber of Commerce starts year off with officer installation banquet

Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce got the New Year off to a running start with the installation banquet for the board of directors. If the banquet was a sample of what is to come, look for great things to happen. Isn't that what you expect when Dona Cornutt is in charge of arrangements?

Dona wished out loud to Brent Stephens, local Hoechst Celanese plant manager, that Gene Steele, former Chamber president, plant manager, and well-respected civic leader, could be here to install the officers. Her wish came true! Not only did Gene agree to install the officers, he offered to bring a big city-type style show with him.

Using the theme of "Heroes," Gene installed Mike Keagey as the first woman Chamber president in its history of more than 60 years. Regis Myatt, in the kindest way, remarked to Joanie Duncan, "I wonder if she thinks she is Margaret Thatcher?"

Gene paid tribute to past presidents Rex McAnelly, the late Frank Culberson, the late Floyd Imel, and Ed Myatt. A film was shown of Celanese employees sharing their opinions of Celanese. A tacked on P.S.: Did you know that Hoechst Celanese has a research department for a wide scope of diseases, including Alzheimer's disease?

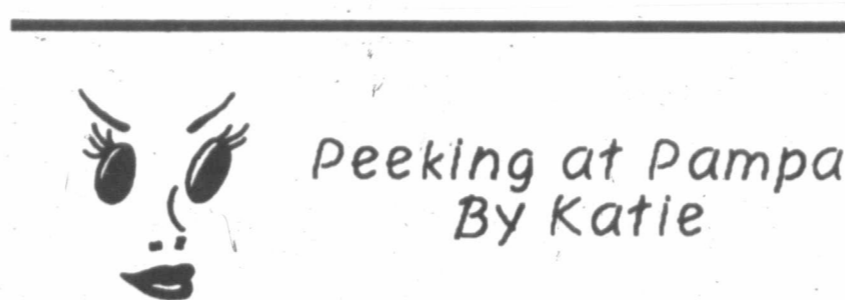
You need to know that Gene, who is vice president of administration at the corporate office in

Newark, N.J., began his career with the company right here in Pampa in 1957 following his graduation from college. Through company transfers, he and Ann and family have lived in Pampa on several assignments, including one as plant manager in the '70s.

Former Chamber presidents who attended were Warren Chisum, Dr. Joe Donaldson, Bill Duncan, Phil Gentry, E.L. Henderson, Carl Kennedy, Jim Morris, Rex McAnelly, Ed Myatt, Ed Sweet, Jerry Sims, Aubrey Steele, Roy Sparkman, E.L. Shelhamer, Don Lane, and three from Amarillo, Kay Fancher, Gary Stephens, and Melvin Kuenkel. Floyd Watson was unable to be present.

Previous Pampa plant managers Don Lehman and his wife Laura of Dallas, and Ron Guard, who is in the process of moving to the corporate offices in New Jersey (Mrs. G. stayed home because of the moving process), flew in for the occasion. Another past president and plant manager Marion John called from Clearlake.

Patti Munzer, a native born, dyed-in-the-wool downtown New Yorker, served as emcee for the fashion show of garments made from Celanese fabrics. There were 11 professional models, all of Dallas, 8 ladies and three gentlemen. The professional models had compliments galore for 8-year-old Chrissie Phillips, who had instant rapport with her audience while



modeling six outfits(!), and had trouble believe this was her modeling debut. She was that good! Her proud parents are Sandy and Dave Phillips, human relations manager and quality manager.

Stephen Nelson, 6-year-old son of Robin and Ron Nelson, modeled, too, and was a real little trooper. He wore his clothes as well as his grandpa Jewett Scarbrough wears his! Richard Villarreal modeled a fireman's suit from the plant and added a cute little two-step for extra interest.

Patti was delighted with her firsthand experience of the meaning of Texas hospitality. She understood then why Gene and Ann have so much to say about Pampa and their plans to retire and even be buried here! P.S. She has already phoned that she wants to come back!

A highlight of the evening left Dona Cornutt in a state of shock, so overwhelmed was she when Gene presented her with a dozen red roses for being his "hero." Remember that Dona is virtually unflappable! Dona

gives her all, whatever the task may be, and deserves a bouquet of roses every time she turns around. Special congratulations to Mike for her great honor, as well!

A few sidelights... For friends of the Steeles to know, their children Gary and Melissa Steele and baby daughter live in New Braunfels, Frances and David Edwards and two children live in Victoria, and Julia and Emory son live in Houston.

Laura and Don Lehman, who preceded Ron Guard as Pampa plant manager, still full of vim and vigor, shared that their daughter Shelby, a junior at Southern Methodist University, is wearing a diamond on her left hand. John, 15, is a 130-pound wrestler. Shana, a high school senior, has narrowed her college plans down to Texas A&M, UT, or Oklahoma State. Don is now vice president and general manager of the Monomers and Acetyl Chemicals Division.

Anne McAnelly's sister Julia Nelson of Dallas was here for a visit and the occasion. She had taught

Ann Steele in Anson and Anne McAnelly had taught both Ann and Gene in Anson during her first year of teaching. The five visited into the later hours after the banquet.

Recent visitors in the home of Suzanne and Ronnie Wood were Suzanne's sister and niece, considered the No. 1 baby in the whole world by the family, of Washington, D.C.

Kathy and Rick Massick are sharing with their daughter Julia the fun and excitement of plans for a February wedding. Their son and his wife Sharla and Jimmy Massick recently moved from Canyon to Wichita Falls.

Priscilla Alexander and her sister Betty Marak and their boys Chris and Mark Alexander, Ken and Kevin Marak, took to the ski slopes of Colorado for a family vacation. Dorothy Dodd Peacock Brown visited relatives in southern California from Dec. 16 to Jan. 5. Ivan Peacock and grandchildren in Simi, Calif, Bob Peacock and grandchildren of Culver City, Calif. James and Doris Engle of Hemet, Calif.

Visiting Jerry and Bobby Lee Bond were Jerry and his wife Mary Ann and daughter enroute to Georgia after a tour of military duty in Hawaii.

Dean Whaley, minister of Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ, couldn't make it back from Houston where he performed the wedding ceremony for his cousin Wayne Whaley, son of Lois and Foster, in

time for the Sunday morning services. Little Chase Erwin, grandson of Doris Erwin, especially liked the last organ number played by Tracy Cary last Sunday evening at the First United Methodist Church and made a beeline across the sanctuary to tell Tracy so. Chase told Tracy, "You need to play THAT some more!!!" Tracy told him he might play it again next Sunday. "No! No! I mean play it RIGHT NOW!!!" What did Tracy do? He unlocked the organ and played the number again to Chase's delight. Pretty cute for a little boy to notice, huh?

Tyler Stubblefield, 10-year-old son of Randy and Debra, is cute and personable as can be. He and his grandfather Frank Roach have lots of fun training Frank's dogs and whiling away the hours together.

There is excitement aplenty in the Paul and Mary Clay household as they anticipate the birth of their fourth child AND their fifth child within the next week or so. That's right! TWINS! Paul is hoping for at least one boy to go with their three daughters: Jamie, 7; Staci, 5; and Carrie, 3. Mary's parents Mary and Bud Covin of San Antonio are already here for the big event.

Rheba Williams recently returned from Farmington, N.M.; after spending the holidays with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Archer and sons, Derrick and Dirk.

See you next week. KATIE

Newsmakers



Angela Frazier
Angela Frazier of Pampa has been selected to attend the 1991 National Young Leaders Conference from Jan. 15 - 20 in Washington, D. C. She will be among 350 high school students from across the nation at the conference for outstanding young leaders sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council.

While at the conference, the young people will be debating, lobbying, and voting on proposed volunteer service legislation.

Throughout the six-day conference, the attendees will meet with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Billy F. Brinsfield III
Billy F. Brinsfield III, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brinsfield, Jr., recently enlisted in the Air Force's

Delayed Enlistment Program. Brinsfield, a 1990 graduate of Pampa High School, is scheduled to attend Air Force Basic Training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio on Feb. 11.



Cyndi Epperly
Cyndi Epperly, a senior at Angelo State University has been named to the A.S.U. honor roll with a grade point average of 4.0 for the fall semester. She has been the recipient of the Carr scholarship which is given for academic merit for the past four years.

During the fall semester, Epperly was elected secretary of the Kappa Delta Pi, an honors teacher's fraternity and was selected as one of the candidates for ASU Homecoming Queen.

Epperly will be student teaching during the spring semester. She is

the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Epperly of Pampa.

Stacie L. McDonald
Stacie L. McDonald, a junior merchandising major at Texas Tech University of Lubbock, has been awarded the Billie Wolfe Scholarship. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lee McDonald of Pampa.

Other honors received by McDonald include being named to the Dean's List and to Cardinal Key Junior Honor Society. She is a member of the American Home Economics Association, Home Economics Council and Residence Hall Council.

Frank Phillips College Honor Roll
The following area students have been named honor students for the fall 1990 semester at Frank Phillips College in Borger:
President's Honor Roll - Cynthia A. Defever of Pampa;
Dean's Honor Roll - Sana J. Alexander, Bryan C. Bullard, Lucille M. Carter, David E. Doucette, Paul E. Helms, Timothy

A. Johnson, Christopher Knutson, Valisa Ann O'Neal, Pamela Sue Russell and Karen Wynn Vines, all of Pampa; Tara M. Cox and Thomas V. Martinez, both of White Deer; and Jessie G. Poole of Skellytown.

Angelo State University Honor Roll
Two Pampa area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo are listed on the honor roll for the fall semester. Listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 honor roll was Ann Marie Colwell, an elementary education major. Listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 honor roll was Stacie Delaine Neff, a government major.

Matt Walsh
Matt Walsh, a Texas Tech University senior majoring in business management, was named to the President's Honor Roll for the fall semester. Walsh, son of Sandra and Patrick Walsh of Pampa, also had a 4.0 average for the summer semester at the Lubbock university. A 1988 graduate of Pampa High School, Walsh is due to graduate this spring. He is a member of two honor societies, including the Gold-

en Key Honor Society.

Garland Allen
Garland Allen, a 1984 graduate of Pampa High School, has been named on the Dean's List for the fall 1990 semester at Evangel College in Springfield, Mo. Allen, a senior at

Evangel, had a grade point average of 3.75. Allen is married to Marci Horne Allen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Bill Horne of Pampa. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Gene Allen of Pampa. He and his wife have a daughter, Hailey, 18 months old.



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Here is a chronology of eye changes from infancy through maturity, compiled by Dr. Potter:

Newborns: Vision skills develop soon after birth, as infants see blurred light and dark patterns. The ability to follow moving objects and reach for them develops within the first four months. Parents can help infants perfect vision skills by:

- Surrounding the infant with bold colors to help develop visual acuity;
- Using a nightlight in the baby's room;
- Hanging a mobile above the crib;
- Keeping toys within focus (8 to 12 inches away)

Four to Six Months: Parents can help a baby develop eye movement control and eye/body coordination skills by:

- Allowing a baby to explore textures and shapes with fingers;
- Hanging objects across the crib to encourage eye-hand-foot coordination;
- Playing "patty cake" with the baby

Six to Eight Months: Both eyes should focus equally at this stage of development. Vision growth exercises include:



Homemakers' News

Donna Brauchi

- Crawling and exploring;
- Playing "peek-a-boo" with toys or faces;
- Providing toys with detail

Eight to Twelve Months: The baby, now mobile, should begin to use both eyes together to judge distances and grasp and throw objects. Parents can assist vision development at this stage by:

- Encouraging crawling to develop eye-hand-foot-body coordination (encouraging early walking may disrupt this process);
- Providing baby with stacking and take-apart toys;
- Having older children play in the same room with baby to encourage imitation by baby

One to Two Years: A child's eye-hand coordination and depth perception should become well developed at this stage. Some exercises:

- Encouraging walking;
- Helping baby play with building blocks, simple puzzles and balls;
- Letting baby climb and explore indoors and outdoors.

Preschool Years: Children from

3 to 5 years old become interested in looking and listening. Parents can help enhance visual skills development at this time by:

- Reading stories to the child, to prepare him or her to learn to read;
- Providing tools for drawing, painting or coloring;
- Encouraging outdoor activities and exploring;
- Contacting an eye care professional to determine optimum date for the child's first annual eye exam.

School Years to Age 18: During the first 12 years of life, 80 percent of learning is accomplished through vision. During the school years, the following guidelines can help children reduce eye stress:

- Homework area should be evenly lighted and free from glare, with furniture proportioned for proper posture;
- Children should rest their eyes with periodic breaks during periods of close concentration. Rest time also is recommended while using computers or video games. For sports, don't forget protective eyewear;
- Annual eye exams, as a part of

the back-to-school process, should be conducted by an eyecare professional

Adulthood: To ensure proper eyecare during adulthood:

- Wear proper eye safety equipment when doing potentially hazardous tasks, such as mowing the lawn, handling chemicals, using power tools or playing such sports as racquetball and basketball;
- Provide appropriate lighting in the work area;
- Wear sunglasses when outdoors, and shade windows to reduce glare on TV screens and video display terminals;
- Be sure to schedule regular eye examinations

Mature Years: During the mature years, the following guidelines will help ensure that older adults see well and protect their vision:

- Mature eyes need more light. When increasing lighting levels, diffuse light evenly to reduce glare. A second lamp in a room will help eliminate shadows;
- Use the right glasses may be required for day driving, while another may be needed for night driving;
- Before driving, keep your car windshield and rear window clear and make sure that headlights, tail lights and mirrors are clean and properly adjusted;
- For those over the age of 40, eyecare professionals suggest that you get a regular annual eye exam.

For more information, contact your Gray County Extension Office.

Grandma doesn't think moms should go to war



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am a mother and grandmother, and I am very upset because our president is sending young mothers to the Persian Gulf. Yes, I know there have always been women in the armed services, but when it comes to the possibility of getting killed, it's a different matter.

We should do what we did during World War II. All the single people go first, then the married ones with no children, then those with only one child, etc. How do you tell 3- and 4-year-olds that Mama has to go to war?

With women's lib, everything has changed. I think it's terrible to break up families this way. I hope you think this is important enough to put in your column.

FLORENCE GOODWIN,
MELBOURNE, FLA.

DEAR FLORENCE: I agree with you; it is indeed terrible to break up families. But women are in the armed services voluntarily. They are not "drafted" as were men during World War II and Vietnam. Every woman who joined should have been fully aware that she could be called upon for combat duty.

And you tell 3- and 4-year-olds that Mama has to go to war the same way you tell them that Daddy has to go.

DEAR ABBY: Twenty years ago I accepted an engagement ring from a young man, but I married someone else. (I kept the ring.) Feeling that my husband wouldn't want me to wear another man's ring, I gave it to my sister "Sue" because she wasn't

dating anyone, and I felt sorry for her.

Recently, I noticed another sister, "Alice," wearing the ring I had given to Sue. I was shocked. Alice calmly said that Sue had given it to her. I told my husband, and he said I should ask Alice for the ring back.

Since that ring has been passed around so casually without my knowledge, would it be wrong to ask Alice for the ring before she passes it on to her daughter or someone else?

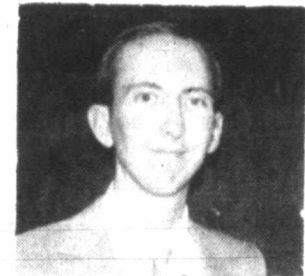
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DEAR JUNE: Yes, it would be wrong. When you gave the ring to Sue, it became hers to keep or give to anyone of her choosing. Once a gift is given, the giver has no claim on it, and the recipient may do with it whatever he or she chooses.

To get Abby's booklet, "How to Write Letters for All Occasions," send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Livestock shows aren't just a learning experience, they're an investment in the future

DATES
Jan. 13 - Set up for 4-H Rabbit Show, 7:00 p.m. at the Bull Barns
Jan. 15 - (Optional) 4-H members may weigh in animals for Gray County and Top O' Texas Shows
Jan. 16 - Deadline for 4-H animal weigh in 6:00 p.m.
4-H Showmanship Show 5:00 p.m. at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion
Jan. 17 - Deadline for Top O' Texas animal weigh in 6:00 p.m.
Gray County Stock Show begins at 9:00 a.m. and the Rabbit Show at 7:00 p.m. at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion
Jan. 18 - Top O' Texas Stock Show begins at 8:00 a.m. at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion
Jan. 19 - Bidders Bar-B-Que 12:00 p.m. at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion with Premium Sale to follow.



4-H Corner
Joe Vann

responsibility to hear the alarm clock and obey it. If they learn nothing more than that, feeding is worthwhile.

3. Junior livestock projects teach youngsters to attend to details. In feeding, and especially through life, it is often the little things that count. The person who goes the extra mile gets the job done.

4. Decision-making is the most painful task that a teen-ager has. The good animals shown this year didn't just happen to be here. Somebody planned it that way.

5. Feeding teaches youngsters to plan. Without a good planning job, they are sunk.

6. Somewhere along the line, we hope our young feeders will learn a little about livestock production.

We don't expect every youngsters who feed a calf, lamb, or hog to become a beef cattleman, sheepman or hogman, neither do we expect all little league baseball players to pay for the major leagues.

Feeding is a family project. This doesn't mean the whole family does the work. This means the whole family must enjoy it. Half the value of the project is lost is the parents don't attend the show.

Too often we are prone to look at investments through the wrong end of a telescope.

In preparation for our local stock show, I found an article from a 4-H news letter published by the University of Wisconsin dealing with junior livestock shows that I would like to share with you.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOWS — ARE THEY WORTH IT?

Before discussing the merits of a junior livestock show, maybe we better define it. First of all, it's not a junior livestock show, it's a youngster show where livestock are used as props or visual aids. About 90% of the people who come to a livestock show come to see their youngster or someone else's youngster show themselves, and they have to have an animal in order to get into the ring.

Junior livestock projects should not be used strictly as a moneymaking project. It is a teaching project, and should be used as such. What

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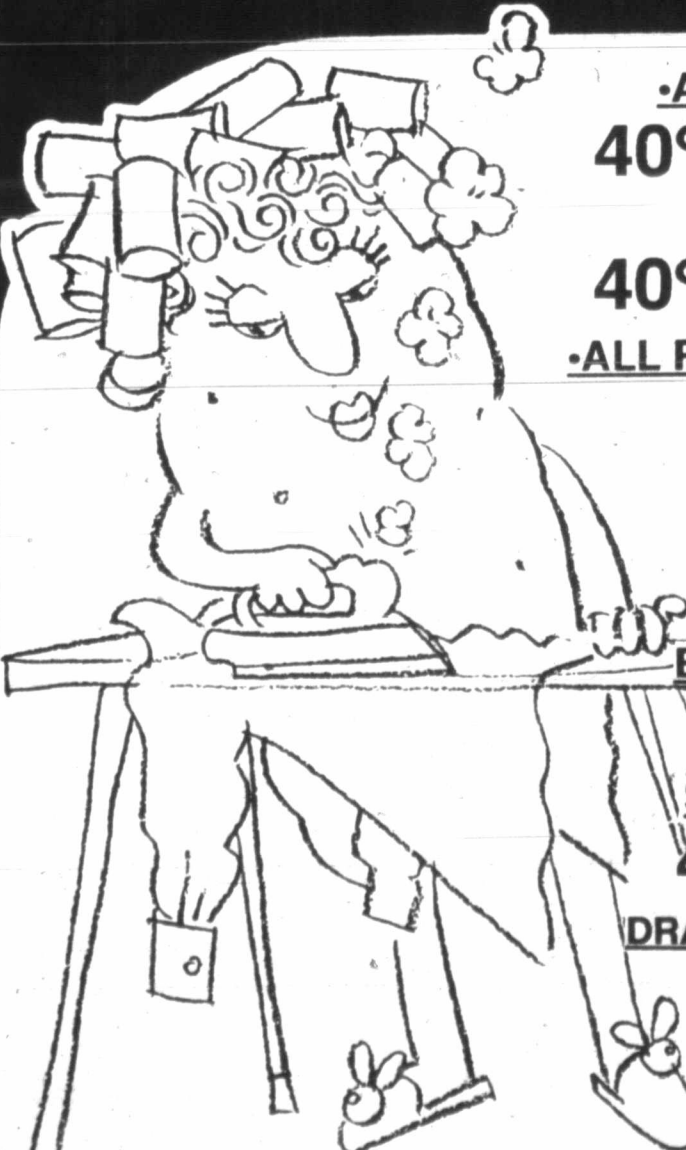
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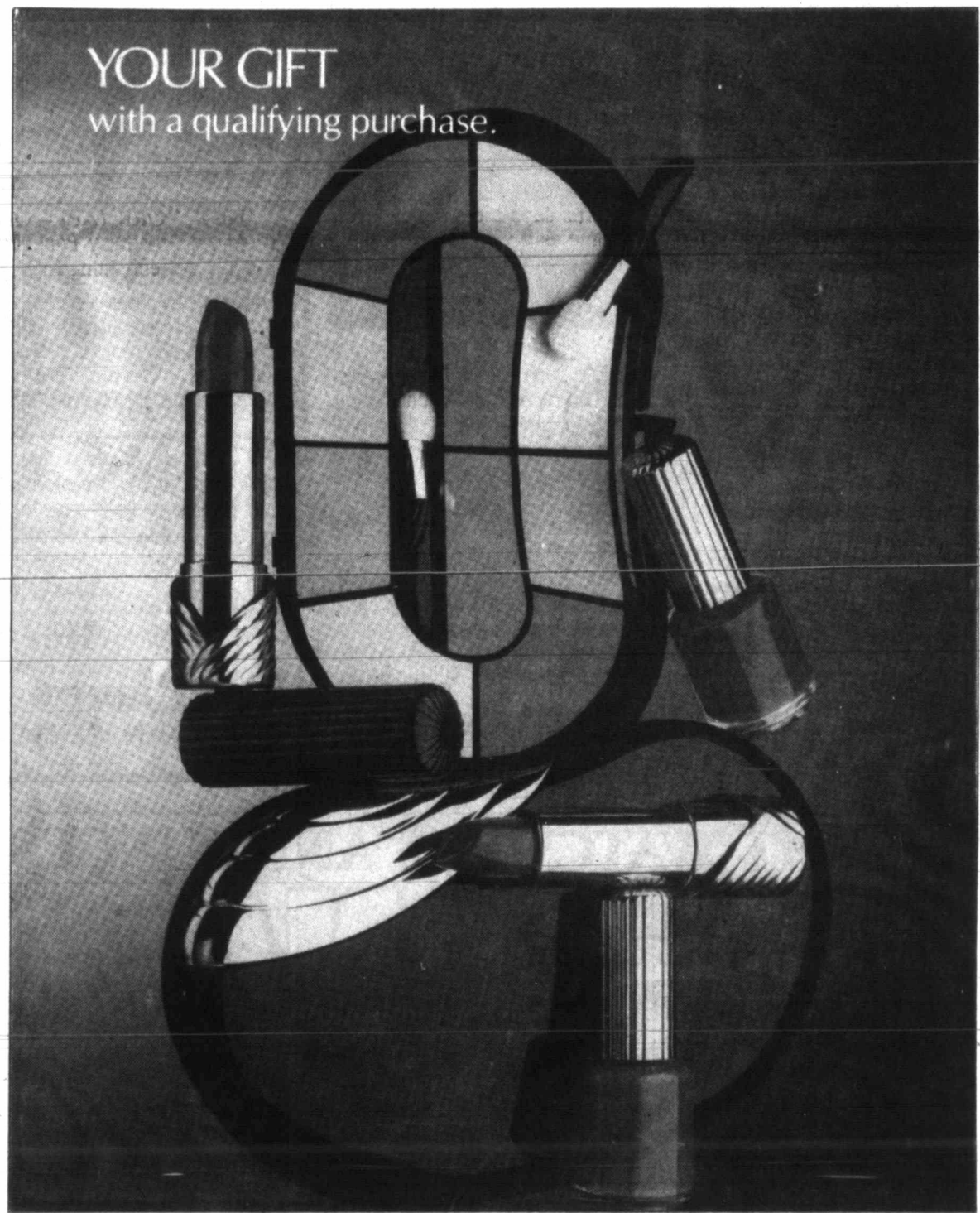
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Entertainment

At the movies

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

Not Without My Daughter

"C'mon, honey, it's not such a big deal." Dr. Moody Mahmoody is persuading his American wife Betty to make a two-week trip with their young daughter to see his family in Tehran. He promises that they will then return to their Michigan home and his practice in a hospital.

He lies. On arrival in Tehran, the Mahmoody is surrounded by Moody's clamoring relatives. The women, hidden except for their eyes by black cloth, study Moody's wife with disapproval. Soon she discovers that she, too, must be covered when appearing in public. Further, she must also submit to the male dominance in the family.

Then Moody drops the bombshell: He had no intention of returning to America, where he had been ridiculed by fellow doctors and fired from his job. Even though he had sworn on the Koran to go back, his belief in the Islamic revolution took precedence.

Not Without My Daughter is taken from the experiences of Betty Mahmoody, as written in book form with William Hoffer. There is a terrifying sense of reality, and it becomes a gripping tale from the first reel to the last.

Central to the effectiveness of the film is the performance of Sally Field as Betty. She is magnificent. No star is more proficient at por-

traying the American woman beset by woes not of her own making. In her unadorned face are reflected the compassion, the sense of betrayal, the suffering, the maternal love and the gumption to escape her bondage.

Through most of the film, director Brian Gilbert thrusts the story forward, taking full advantage of Anthony Pratt's production design. The idyllic setting of a Michigan lake (actually Georgia) contrasts with the squalor and fanatical masses of Iran.

The mood is heightened by the huge, glowering portraits of the Ayatollah on all sides, creating a surreal 1984 atmosphere (Israel doubled for Iran).

Alfred Molina, an Italian-Spanish Londoner, is totally convincing as the duplicitous Mahoody, turning from a loving husband to a brutal zealot. The supporting cast is excellent, especially Roshan Seth (Nehru in *Ghandi*) as a sympathetic Iranian. Sheila Rosenthal as the daughter Mahtob is able to portray the bewilderment and terror of a five-year-old.

Not Without My Daughter is a Pathe Entertainment film released by MGM-UA. Harry J. Ufland and Mary Jane Ufland produced, and David W. Rintels wrote the well-crafted script. The running time of 116 minutes could well have been trimmed to eliminate a mid-section sag. Rating PG-13, mostly because of the terror to a young child.

'Dark Shadows' returns

By JERRY BUCK
AP Television Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In the TV series *Dark Shadows*, producer-director Dan Curtis faced the problem of how to make a vampire a romantic figure.

How do you do that? Well, he made his character, Barnabas Collins, a reluctant vampire, one who's trying to kick the habit.

This vampire is no Dracula, nor is he a Stephen King or Anne Rice ghoul.

"Barnabas is a classic romantic figure who is seeking the lost love from 200 years ago that he can never regain," Curtis says. "He hates his existence as a vampire, which is a spell put upon him by a witch. He's a great, dark, brooding, romantic figure."

A revival of *Dark Shadows*, which became a Gothic cult soap opera in the 1960s, begins with a four-hour, two-part miniseries today and Monday on NBC. On Friday it begins as a one-hour series following *Quantum Leap*.

It's Curtis' first project since *The Winds of War* and *War and Remembrance*.

"I can't tell you exactly what made it work," Curtis says. "I can tell you what the show is as opposed to what people think it is. It's not horror. It's a romantic fantasy. I think what makes it work are the mythical elements."

Curtis gleefully concedes that *Dark Shadows*, an ABC afternoon soap opera from 1966-71, was inspired by *Wuthering Heights*, *Jane Eyre*, *Rebecca* and other Gothic stories.

In the beginning *Dark Shadows* was merely Gothic — and about to get the ax from ABC.

"We were about to go off the air when my kids suggested I make it scary," he says. "I introduced a ghost into the show, and the moment the ghost appeared on the screen the ratings went up. Instantly. I then came up with a supernatural story and the ratings went even higher. I decided to see how far I could go."

"I figured if I could get away with a vampire I could get away with anything. I was planning to kill him off, but Barnabas caught on. He was a sensation. The question was

how to make a hero out of a vampire. So we made him a reluctant vampire. That was it."

In the new version of *Dark Shadows*, Barnabas Collins is played by Ben Cross. Jean Simmons is the matriarch of Collinwood, an isolated New England manor house. Joanna Going is the beautiful young governess, a reincarnation of Barnabas' 200-year-old love, and Barbara Steele is a doctor who tries to cure Barnabas and falls in love with him.

Curtis says the story is virtually the same as it was 25 years ago, but there are substantial changes in the production values.

"Many people have a memory of the show," he says. "I'm not making the show the way it was but the way they remember it. It was a half-hour before. Our budget for five shows a week was about \$90,000. We're spending around \$1.2 million a show today."

"People have an exaggerated memory of the show. I'm sure they thought the great hall at Collinwood was a great hall. It was a very, very small hall. The new great hall is enormous. We filmed a lot of it at the Greystone mansion in Beverly Hills."

Curtis was not eager to return to *Dark Shadows*, but NBC began pursuing him while he was still working on *War and Remembrance*.

"I didn't choose to go back," he says. "NBC came to me. I'm getting some laughs out of it, but it's not like it's close to my heart and I bring all my emotions to it. I can't believe I'm doing this. When I was doing the original show I would have killed to get out of it. It was like I was in jail."

Curtis spent the 1980s on the two monumental miniseries based on Herman Wouk's books about World War II. Before that he was best known for horror films such as *The Night Stalker*, *Dracula*, *The Turn of the Screw*, *Frankenstein*, *The Picture of Dorian Gray* and *Burnt Offerings*.

Currently in the works are a third *Night Stalker* movie and a third movie about his childhood remembrances. Dean Jones, who played a character based on Curtis' father in *When Every Day Was the Fourth of July* and *The Long Days of Summer*, will star in the new film.

McPartland starts new year of 'Piano Jazz'

By MARY CAMPBELL
AP Newsfeatures Writer

Marian McPartland sparkles. Her music sparkles when she plays jazz on the piano, live or on record, and when she interviews guests on *Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz*, heard weekly on National Public Radio. She even sparkles when she talks about it.

The one-hour radio show debuted in the fall of 1979, with underwriting by Exxon. It now has three 13-week "seasons" and repeats the rest of the year. She usually has one jazz pianist guest. She interviews the person and they each play piano and do a duet. Lately, she is improvising with the format.

Guests on the first show of 1991 are a couple, singer Cleo Laine and saxophonist John Dankworth. Occasionally, a guest — such as saxophonist Branford Marsalis, to be heard early in 1991, and singer Tony Bennett, a guest in 1990 — doesn't play piano on the show. When Billy Taylor was on, he interviewed McPartland. And some guests don't play jazz. McPartland plans to invite Van Cliburn onto her show.

The first 13 shows of 1991 are finished. On Jan. 6, McPartland gave a concert at Maybeck Recital Hall in Berkeley, Calif., which Concord Jazz taped for a record. Her latest release on Concord Jazz is *Marian McPartland Plays the Benny Carter Songbook, With Special Guest Benny Carter*. Television's *Gene Shalit*, who played piano and bassoon on her show, said the title was so long they had to cut two tunes.

McPartland goes from Berkeley to Los Angeles to tape *Piano Jazz* shows with Dudley Moore and Ray Charles.

Then there are a number of college dates, and a week-long piano festival in Kalamazoo, Mich., where



Marian McPartland

she'll tape a *Piano Jazz* with Steve Allen and George Shearing together. Cliburn also is playing at the festival. After that, she plays three dates with the Milwaukee Symphony, medleys by Ellington, Gershwin and herself.

She chooses the people to appear on *Piano Jazz* and personally telephones or writes to invite them. "It takes a lot of time. It's worth it. I'm embarrassed at not having invited certain people. I haven't had time."

Though she's a highly respected jazz performer, McPartland doesn't act like a prima donna. "I went with Shari Hutchinson, the producer of the show, and stood in line at the

Blue Note to hear Ray Charles. At the intermission, I raced upstairs carrying a cassette in my hand of the show George Shearing was on and spoke to Ray. I thought, 'The man doesn't have the faintest idea what I'm talking about.' I wouldn't dream of saying, 'Don't you know who I am?' because I didn't think he would, truthfully.

"He was so kind and nice and took the cassette. I thought, 'That's the end of that.' Weeks went by and we got a call from his manager, saying, 'Ray loves your show and he'd love to do your show.' I almost fell on the floor."

She pursued Andre Previn for years to be a guest. "He just did a wonderful show. He's so witty and sophisticated. He played 'You're Gonna Hear From Me.' I said, 'I love that tune. Who wrote it?' He said, 'I did.' I felt like a fool; I'd forgotten.

"I think we left that in. We cut things. We stop the tape when people don't like the way they perform something and say they'd like to do it again. We do so little rehearsing. Beegie Adair, who's from Nashville and wonderful but not well-known, didn't want to rehearse anything. Monty Alexander was the same way." They'll both be heard in March.

Drummer Joe Morello and bassist Bill Crow, who performed with McPartland at the Hickory House in New York for years, are on her 200th show, the fifth one of 1991. She says: "They're not exactly piano players but I figured it would be kind of jazz history. Joe has become the guru of drum teachers and Bill plays all over the place and has written a book, *Jazz Anecdotes*."

"I've been trying to get Keith Emerson of Emerson, Lake and Palmer. He wants to do the show. When I'm ready to do it, he's in

Japan. Eventually we'll make it." She also has written many letters to Stevie Wonder's managers, is considering hiring a plane to fly over his house pulling a streamer for his neighbors. "Please tell Stevie we want him on *Piano Jazz*."

She says: "We had Paul Shaffer from *Late Night With David Letterman*. I think he thought it was an interview show. He saw two pianos and got white as a ghost. We had to comfort him and encourage him. Finally he played and he was great."

Listeners write, suggesting guests for the show. "Not a day goes by I don't get tapes in the mail suggesting themselves or other people. I listen to them. I haven't had anybody on from those suggestions. There are a few out there that are quite promising."

Harry Connick Jr. was a guest two years ago and his manager says he'll appear again. Dave Brubeck was on several years ago. "I called him and said, 'Couldn't we have you on *Piano Jazz* to celebrate your 70th birthday?' There's a guy who used to say, 'I'll never do your show. I'm not going to play two pianos with you; I'm too nervous.' He had his son Chris in the control room with his bass in case he decided he couldn't make the whole program solo. He never needed Chris."

"This time he said no. I said, 'I'm going to hound you until you do it. We'll have Chris in the control room.' He just laughed."

McPartland says: "I guess persistence is my long suit. I could be accused of being overinsistent."

Shortly before the Berkeley concert, she said, "I'm trying to find tunes to play there that have not been overdone. I know I'll play Andre's tune, 'You're Gonna Hear From Me.'"

The public is always ready to hear from Marian McPartland.

Onstage he's 'Buddy,' offstage he's a flippant Beatle

By MARY CAMPBELL
AP Newsfeatures Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Onstage in *Buddy* on Broadway, Paul Hipp looks like the earnest young rock 'n' roller he portrays, Buddy Holly. Offstage, he comes across more like the brashly flippant, facetious early Beatles.

In his Manhattan apartment, which he shares with a West Highland terrier named Dylan, he's listening intently to a Stevie Ray Vaughan record when an interviewer walks in, and ignores the visitor.

Then he looks up to say, incongruously, "I'm obsessed with Van Gogh. I like Vincent. I was fantasizing about cutting my ear off the other day but it'd take longer to do the makeup. Now all I have to do is put base on and eyeliner."

Hipp, 25, who has a rock band of his own, was born six years after Buddy Holly died at age 22 and seven years before Don McLean wrote "American Pie" about the plane crash that killed him.

But he identifies with Holly "in the way he stuck with his own sound and his own music. And he was a nice guy."

Hipp took up guitar at 12 and has studied both music and acting. Until *Buddy*, he hasn't been famous, though he'd like to be, with parallel careers. "I see no reason why it has got to be actor or musician," he says. "I came up doing both. It's not like I'm a rock 'n' roller slumming on Broadway."

"One of my main things I want to do is bridge the gap that hasn't been bridged yet and have a serious career songwriting and acting. Sting hasn't done it or David Bowie, Kris Kristofferson is more country music."

Paul Hipp and the Heroes haven't cut any records yet, but he's talking to record companies now.

His acting in New York previously hasn't been Broadway or off-Broadway but "off-off-off-off."

"I did a lot of plays nobody came to see," he says. "This is a nice change of pace for me. It's a wonderful thing to look out and there's people sitting out there."

People in the Shubert Theater mezzanine and balcony are warned that dancing and standing during the performance are prohibited, but Hipp can see them dancing in the orchestra section's first few rows.

"If there's a pretty girl up front, I can throw her a guitar pick," he says. "Then I have the crew go get her. When I come off stage, the dressing room is filled with a bevy of beauties. The next stop is the hot tub."

Despite the fact that he's starring in a musical, Hipp says, "I hate musicals. All that show business, people dancing, ain't my thing."

Hipp's 20th floor apartment on Central Park South is his first New York apartment, he says. "For nine years I couldn't afford one. I lived wherever there was a couch. That's how Buddy Holly has changed my life."

When he auditioned for *Buddy* in England, where he played the role for nine months, he thinks he was chosen primarily for his acting ability. "But I'm sure the fact I can play guitar didn't hurt."

Hipp was nominated for a Laurence Olivier Award, which was won by Jonathan Pryce in *Miss Saigon*. "I thought it was fixed," he says. "I don't know. It is fine to be nominated. It beats playing Bleeker Street (in Greenwich Village) for 50

bucks a night."

In *Buddy*, Hipp plays guitar and sings more than 20 Buddy Holly songs, including "That'll Be the Day," "Peggy Sue" and "Oh Boy!" He did a lot of research on the innovative pioneer rocker from Lubbock, Texas, before he began portraying him.

"The show covers him from 19 to 22," Hipp says. "He had the natural growth any kid goes through. Add rock 'n' roll stardom, it gets quite complicated. To internalize what had happened to him, maintain that innocence and grow gradually was difficult."

"I met a lot of people who saw him on his last tour. Bob Dylan saw him three days before he died, when he went through Minnesota."

Act 2 of *Buddy* re-creates Buddy Holly's last concert, in Clear Lake, Iowa, with Dion and the Belmonts, the Big Bopper and Ritchie Valens. The latter two died on the plane with Holly later that night.

"I wouldn't imagine anyone taped that show," Hipp says. "I would have run into them by now. The Buddy

Holly Society knows more about the Crickets (Holly's band) than the Crickets know about themselves."

Holly's widow, who had a miscarriage after his death, saw *Buddy* in London and has been supportive, Hipp says.

Hipp is the fourth of five children and uses his real name. He moved to New York from Philadelphia right after graduating from high school. "The bell rang. I was here."

"I thought about changing my name to Rock Dashing," he says. "I want to work on a soap opera really bad. I want to be Dr. Dashing, have my teeth capped, plastic surgery, a square jaw, blond hair and blue contacts."

Hipp played a Lower East Side punk in *China Girl*. During the filming, he wrote the song "Midnight for You." "The director liked it and put it in," Hipp says. Hipp and the Heroes played it.

During the interview, Hipp strums on his guitar, which is autographed by Johnny and June Cash, Duane Eddy, two Crickets and Mrs. Holly.

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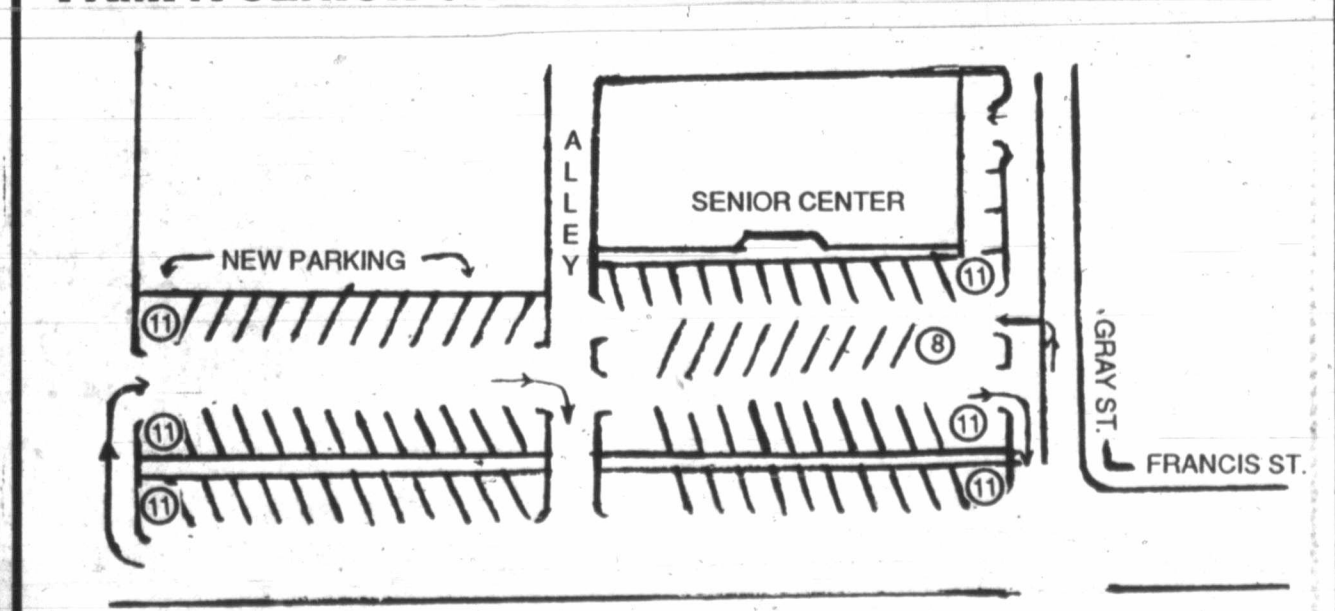
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- 32 Bacteria
- 33 Time waster
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- 35 Type of religion
- 36 — ear
- 37 On the other hand

DOWN

- 1 Political group
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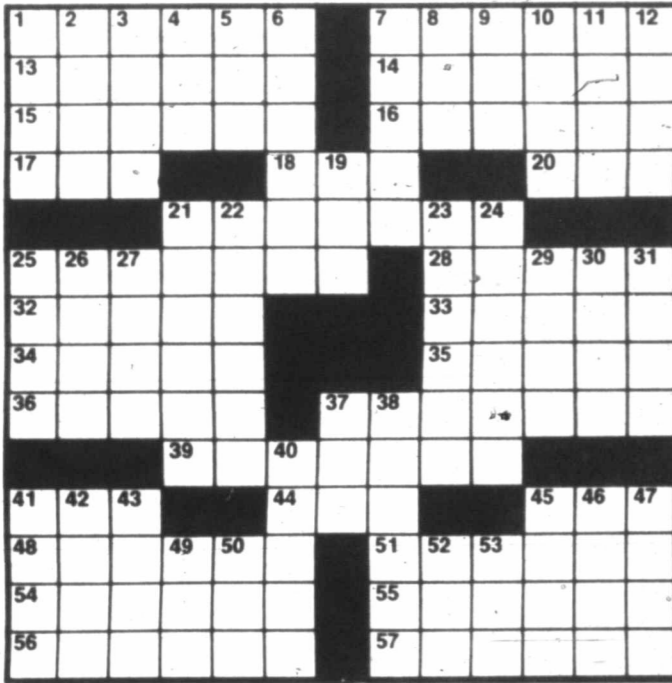
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- 23 Slurs
- 24 Seniors
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- 26 John Lennon's son
- 27 Therefore
- 29 "I cannot tell"

- 30 Tableland
- 31 Weapons
- 37 Twisted
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- 40 Flower
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- 43 Assumed manner
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- 49 Brother's nephew
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By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



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Astro-Graph

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Try to keep your schedule as flexible as possible today, because you're likely to have more fun doing things on the spur of the moment than after extensive planning. Major changes are ahead for Capricorn in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your logic and intuition should be working in harmony today. This may give you an edge at accurately assessing critical situations by analyzing things deductively as well as intuitively.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This could be a productive day for you where your newer interests are concerned, so try to give them priority over your established routines.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't give up on the pursuit of important objectives today. Adverse events could take a surprising turn and suddenly put victory within your reach.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be a good listener today, because you could be the recipient of unique information which could constructively fit into plans you've already formulated.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your commercial affairs might be laced with some unique types of opportunities today that may be more evident to your associates than to you. Don't discount their evaluations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may have an opportunity today to win over a new ally who, at a later date, could prove to be immensely valuable to you. Treat all new alliances with extra consideration.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your ingenuity and resourcefulness can be expressed advantageously today where your work is concerned. Don't be afraid to experiment with new procedures.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The best things that are likely to develop for you today may come about unexpectedly and with considerable importance. However, they're not apt to be of a material nature.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Major achievements are possible today, provided you are strongly motivated and your objectives are well-defined. Establish goals and don't take your eyes off your targets.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You're a quick thinker today and your first ideas are likely to be your best. Proceed as your initial perceptions dictate, making adjustments — if necessary — along the way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your probabilities for personal gain look quite good today and, if you are materially aware, you should be able to easily recognize your opportunities.

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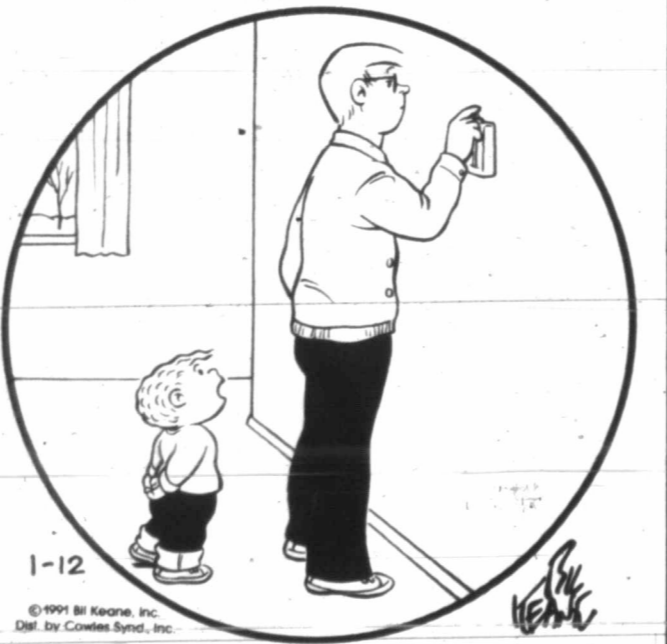
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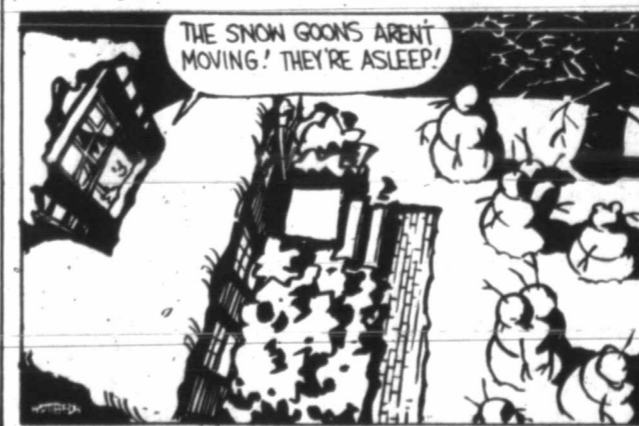
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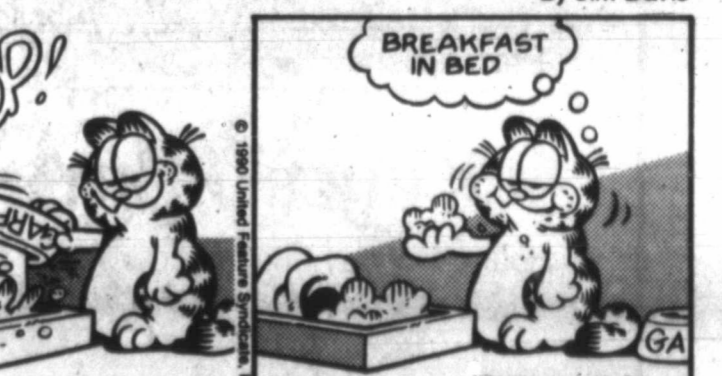
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A haven in suburbia, nature preserve saved from road builders

By KIM I. MILLS
Associated Press Writer

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — A scant 10 miles from downtown Washington is a naturalist's dream: a swamp teeming with beavers, river otters, muskrats, deer and more than 200 species of birds, many rare and beautiful.

The 100-acre marsh is the centerpiece of Huntley Meadows Park, a 1,261-acre oasis of undeveloped land ringed by the sprawling suburbs of Fairfax County.

For 15 years, developers, supported by a county supervisor, tried to run a four-lane road through the park. But late last year, the developers withdrew their plan to pave paradise.

The action came after the Interior Department ruled that the road would have damaged the park's fragile ecosystem.

The park is worlds away from the monuments of the city and the shopping malls of the 'burbs. There are no picnic tables or jungle gyms, no softball fields or swimming pools.

"No doubt about it, the battle is over," said Norma Hoffman, a self-proclaimed little old lady in sneakers who vanquished the developers and their local government allies.

Mrs. Hoffman is founder and president of the Coalition to Save Huntley, an army of about 600 lawyers, environmentalists, scientists and nature lovers who

opposed the road. The group challenged developers' every move, and that doggedness paid off.

"Most of all, we are encouraged that our public officials now seem to understand better why this park is environmentally important, and hopefully this message will carry over to other ecologically endangered areas in county," she said in a recent interview.

To visit Huntley Meadows is to understand why Hoffman and her friends fought so long and hard.

The park is worlds away from the monuments of the city and shopping malls of the 'burbs. There are no picnic tables or jungle gyms, no softball fields or swimming pools. There is no fishing, hunting or camping.

But there is the swamp, where great blue herons stand elegant and still as Eastern bluebirds flit from tree to tree and scores of red-winged blackbirds gossip from the highest branches. Ducks and geese soar overhead. An occasional hawk menaces from a treetop.

And at dawn and sunset — especially in the fall — beavers swim out of their lodges to gnaw on trees among the bristly swamp roses and buttonbushes.

Huntley Meadows Park has about 200,000 visitors a year, many of them repeaters, says Gary Roisum, who has managed the park since 1978.

"People come from as far north as Boston and as far south as Florida," particularly for the birds, he said.

A narrow boardwalk winds through the swamp, but in November, the park service closed a portion because it had floated off its foundations. The reason was a drastic and unanticipated rise in beaver activity since the boardwalk was built in the 1970s.

"Year after year, the beaver colonies continue to

build up the levees that were worked on the previous year and the year before," Roisum said. "It's this consistent levee construction that has resulted in about a foot-and-a-half increase in water level."

A new boardwalk will be built next year using part of a \$1.17 million bond issue, Roisum said. But first, an environmental consultant is studying the ecology of the central wetland to try to predict its future.

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One possibility is that the beavers could leave, especially if their food source disappeared, Roisum said. The beavers, which at last count inhabited 16 lodges, are largely responsible for the biological diversity of the wetland.

"If they go, who would maintain the dam?" Roisum asked. "It would be like pulling the cork in the bathtub."

The park is considering installing a water level device that would enable its human managers to control the central wetland rather than leaving it to the beavers.

Roisum knows the wetland could change drastically because the swamp wasn't always there.

In the late 1700s, the land belonged to George Mason IV, author of the Virginia Declaration of Rights and major parts of the Virginia State Constitution. He developed two farms on this property although he never

lived there, residing instead at nearby Gunston Hall, on the Potomac River.

When Mason died, he left the land to his son, Thomson F. Mason. Thomson Mason named the house and farm "Huntley" after the home of his maternal grandmother in Scotland.

The land stayed in the family for 159 years, until 1916. After that, it changed hands at least 12 times in the next 16 years, according to an unpublished history of the park.

Eventually, it was acquired by the U.S. government. In the 1940s, it was an Army installation, the site of several giant anti-aircraft guns and, allegedly, a prisoner of war camp, Roisum said.

Later, the Navy installed a secret underground low-frequency monitoring station which may have been used to control submarines or monitor the Soviets, according to Roisum.

In 1974, the Interior Department deeded the land to Fairfax County for use in perpetuity as a nature preserve. For now, that stipulation is being met.

But urban development continues to threaten the park, Hoffman said, adding that her group will remain active.

She pointed to sediments from nearby construction areas as well as fertilizers and pesticides in runoff that flows into the park's wetland.

"The big picture is the environmental health of the park has to be protected from outside impacts," she said, "and so we're going to be there, we're going to be monitors and watchdogs and try to extend the natural life of the park."

Gatehouse guard serves as master of the hooraw

By PAT COLONNA
Denton Record-Chronicle

DENTON (AP) — Fred "Pud" Ballard may be the last of a special breed of Texans. He's a master of the hooraw.

No, not the hurray as in cheering someone. The hooraw, as in old Southern slang for putting people on, fooling them completely. The best hooraw is one where the recipient, the person on the receiving end of the joke, isn't hurt or offended but amused.

"Who's the funny man in the gatehouse?" faculty at Texas Woman's University get asked. "Why don't you write a story about the TWU guard?" people come into the *Record-Chronicle* and request.

So, by popular request, heeere's Pud. Some of this article may not be true, as most of the information was supplied by Mr. Ballard himself.

For example, he said right off he has no wife. Meantime, he was holding two Cajun chicken sandwiches he got from the TWU union. Within minutes, his wife Faye, who works at K mart, arrived to join him for lunch.

TWU calls him a community service officer. He calls himself a booth attendant. He's been at TWU less than two years, since he retired from the Navy.

"Twenty-two years and I was never on a ship," he said, gleefully. He met and married Faye, a member of the Latter-Day Saints in Utah. He also admits to serving in Japan and California.

He said he has always been called Pud and has no idea why. "It's on all my school records from Pilot Point and Aubrey, where I grew up."

He sits inside a fairly spacious "booth" building with two seats, one on either side of the room facing the entrance and exit driveways for the campus' main entrance.

"I'm going boot-scootin' when I get out of here. I work 9 1/2 hours without a break; I work seven days and five nights a week; I get about two hours sleep a day. My other job is security at P.C. Dynamics in Frisco. I haven't had a day off except for funerals and the rodeo. I go boot-scootin' any excuse I get."

Usually his companion on danc-

ing forays is his son, Terry, 21, who works at Skaggs' delicatessen. A married daughter, Tina, lives in Eufala, Okla. Another daughter, Lorrie, 26, also lives at home.

Both his father and his only brother died last year. His brother was former Denton policeman "Fuzzy" Ballard, who died of cancer. The two brothers were extremely close, their wives were friends and the two couples socialized together frequently.

His job is non-stop. He keeps tabs on the number of parking permits he issues, an average of 150 each day, about 1,000 in an eight-day period.

"I wish I could have waited until my beard was better grown for winter to have my photo made," he said. "Yes, there's heat in here and I even have a portable heater, but there's nothing between this glass on four sides and the North Pole. When it's 8 degrees and the wind is blowing outside, it's down to 6 degrees in here. I had to stand and jog in place for four hours one day last winter."

That's his answer to the toughest part of his job. That and the people who try to fool him.

"It's most aggravating, these girls lying to me. They pull up here and ask for a visitor permit. I ask them if they are students here and they say, 'No, I go to UNT.' Well, I have a roster right here of every student on this campus, and do they get a surprise. I didn't think young ladies talked that way."

The best part of the job? He'll give you a don't-be-foolish look.

"I've worn out a pair of glasses and a swivel chair. I think there's about 10,000 of them out here and I've seen each one at least twice. I wouldn't trade jobs with anyone in Denton."

In addition to giving directions, usually to the TWU library, and issuing temporary parking permits, he hands out catalogs and class schedules.

"I tell 'em where to go," he says cheerfully, as vehicles line up in the entrance driveway. He has a different line of patter for each customer.

"I'll fix you right up, that's what I'm here for," he reassures a timid student.

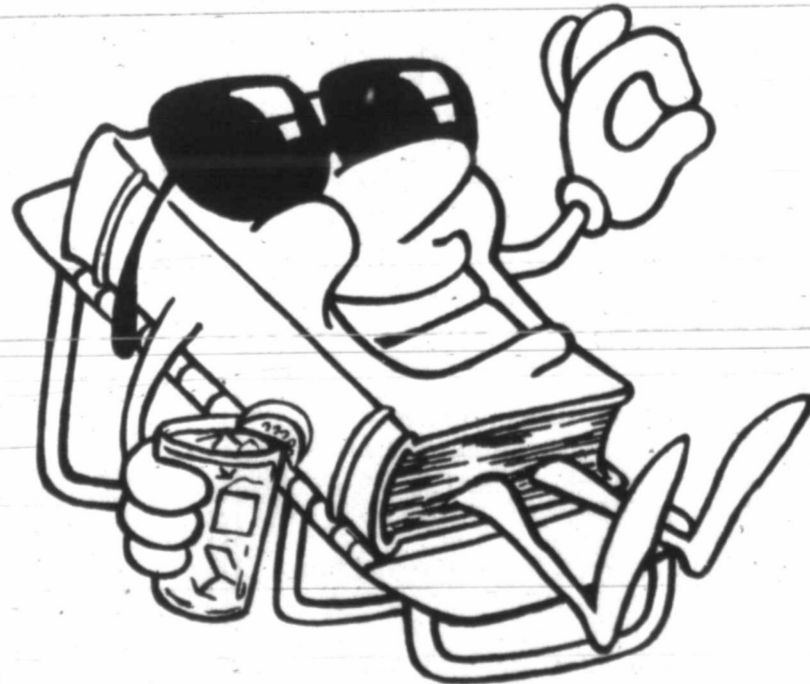
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FARMERS TAX GUIDE

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There were several important changes for 1990 that are discussed in this booklet. These include: new self-employment tax rate, new social security tax rate, farmers must withhold income tax, standard mileage rate and development costs and like-kind exchanges.

Details on these subjects and many more will be found in the 1990 edition of the *Farmer's Tax Guide* available free in the Gray County Extension Office.

SURVEY SHOWS

CATTLEMAN EMPLOY CONSERVATION PRACTICES

A survey of the nation's cattle producers show that ranchers have a commitment to conservation practices that protect and improve land, water and wildlife.

The survey, conducted by POPULUS, Inc. and commissioned by the National Cattlemen's Association (NCA), showed that a large proportion of U.S. beef cattle ranchers are increasing programs, are reducing their use of pesticides in feed crop production and are providing water and habitat that benefit wildlife.

John Lacey, NCA president, said, "I think the results of this survey show that conservation and protection of land and water are part of the cattleman's way of life as well as a vital investment in his business and in his family's future."

"Farming and ranching tends to be a family business," Lacey said,

citing survey findings that 42 percent of cattle operations have been in the same family for more than 50 years, and that 21 percent have been in the same family for more than 75 years.

"A cattleman depends on the land for his livelihood," said Lacey, "and, to assure a livelihood for future generations, he must protect and improve the environment for which he is responsible."

Almost half the total land area of the U.S. is pasture and grazing land, so cattle ranchers own or manage more land than any other industry in this country.

Concentrated on the larger beef cattle producers in 48 states, the survey focused on production practices that affect the environment. The survey did not involve large commercial feedlots.

The survey found that many cattle producers employ a variety of conservation practices. Since 1980, the survey showed, an average of 30 percent have increased the number of stock ponds, areas with newly planted trees, wells and water developments, and areas that support wildlife.

In addition, 27 percent planned to increase such conservation practices in the next five years. In the past decade, 42 percent of the ranchers said they have increased areas with newly planted trees, and 28 percent plan to plant more trees in the next five years.

Cattle producers also have been active in conservation programs. Since 1980, 45 percent of those surveyed have put acreage into government conservation programs and 64

percent have put acres into private conservation and land management programs.

By using good management practices such as rotational grazing, 52 percent report that the condition of native pasture and grazing land has improved in the last 10 years.

Thirteen percent reported a decline in land conditions, with drought being the overwhelming reason.

Cattle producers also showed a sensitive need for special conservation practices on fragile lands such as wetlands and riparian areas (land along streams and waterways).

Over the past decade, 29 percent of ranchers have maintained or restored wetlands on their operations. In addition, 62 percent reported that their riparian land has been maintained with no deterioration of condition for the past 10 years, and 25 percent have seen improvements since 1980.

On the use of farm chemicals, 60 percent said they have not increased pesticides in feed crop production in the past 10 years and 25 percent have cut back on them.

The survey also showed that many farmers and ranchers routinely support wildlife populations by providing them with patches of corn, wheat and grass. Ranchers also are planting trees and grass for cover and creating water habitats.

The survey was conducted in July and August by telephone with a random sample of 700 cattle producers. Those surveyed had at least 100 head of cattle, and 68 percent managed 500 or more acres of grazing land. The survey has a sampling error of 3.7 percentage points.

Public hearing scheduled in Weslaco on agricultural workers issues, needs

WESLACO - The national Commission on Agricultural Workers will hold a public hearing Jan. 16-17 in the Texas A&M Ag Center Building, Hobbittelle Auditorium, 2415 E. Highway 83, at Weslaco.

Witnesses will be scheduled to appear on Wednesday, Jan. 16, from 7 to 9 p.m., and on Thursday, Jan. 17, beginning at 9 a.m.

This will be the fifth hearing of the Commission. The first was held in Oregon in July 1990, two hearings were held in California in August and December 1990, and one in North Carolina in September 1990. Other hearings will be held in several major agricultural regions of the United States.

The Commission's January hearing will focus on the state of Texas.

Because of time constraints, the number of witnesses will be limited. However, anyone may submit written testimony. Witnesses selected to present testimony will be asked to send their written statement to the Commission in advance of the hearing.

Oral testimony at the hearing will generally be limited to five to 10 minutes to allow for questions by the commissioners. Written testimony may be of any length. Testimony must address one or more of the listed agricultural labor issues. The most helpful testimony will include policy recommendations relating to these issues.

The Commission on Agricultural Workers was created by the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986. Six of the 12 commissioners were appointed by the president, three by the speaker of the House of Representatives and three by the president pro tempore of the Senate.

The chairman is Henry J. Voss, director of the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

The employment of persons not authorized to work in the United States became illegal with the passage of IRCA. Because producers of perishable agricultural commodities had come to rely on illegal foreign labor, IRCA authorized the legalization of a portion of this workforce in the Special Agricultural Worker (SAW) provisions.

These provisions further provided for supplementing the work force for perishable commodities with replenishment agricultural workers (RAWS) upon

determination of need in each of the next four years.

The Commission is charged with conducting an overall evaluation of the SAW provisions and with recommending appropriate changes to Congress by Nov. 6, 1992. Its report will include a review of a variety of issues relating to the demand for and the supply of agricultural labor in the United States.

These issues as they appear in the law are:

- The impact of the special agricultural worker provisions on the wages and working conditions of domestic farm workers, on the adequacy of the supply of agricultural workers, and on the ability of agricultural workers to organize.

- The extent to which aliens who have obtained lawful permanent or temporary resident status under the SAW provisions continue to perform seasonal agricultural services and the requirement that aliens who become special agricultural workers under Section 210A of the Immigration and Nationality Act perform 90 man-days of seasonal agricultural services for certain periods in order to avoid deportation or to become naturalized.

- The impact of the legalization program and the employers' sanctions on the supply of agricultural labor.

- The extent to which the agricultural industry relies on the employment of a temporary work force.

- The adequacy of the supply of agricultural labor in the U.S. and whether this supply needs to be further implemented with foreign labor, and the appropriateness of the numerical limitation on additional special agricultural workers under Section 210A(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

- The extent of unemployment and underemployment of the farm workers who are U.S. citizens or aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence.

- The extent to which the problems of agricultural employers in securing labor are related to the lack of modern labor-management techniques in agriculture.

- Whether certain geographic regions need special programs or provisions to meet their unique needs for agricultural labor.

- The impact of the SAW provisions on the ability of crops harvested in the U.S. to compete in international markets.

Farm Bureau to discuss legislative issues at its 72nd session in Austin

AUSTIN - The 72nd session of the Texas Legislature will receive considerable attention when some 700 state and county Farm Bureau leaders attend the annual Texas Farm Bureau Leadership Conference in Austin Jan. 20-22.

TFB President S.M. True, a cotton, grain and cattle producer from Plainview, will kick off the conference with his legislative goals address the morning of Jan. 21.

TFB Executive Director Vernie Glasson will deliver a conference wrap-up on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

The Monday, Jan. 21, afternoon format includes county president, commodity and membership conferences.

There will be a reception and exhibits sponsored by TASCOS, the group purchasing affiliate of TFB, at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 21.

Farm Bureau leaders will have an opportunity on Jan. 22 to travel to the state capitol to visit with their area legislators.

Commodity conferences scheduled for the afternoon of Jan. 21 include the following topics:

- Bees and Honey - Marketing honey at a selling show; honey exporting by small packers; and innovative packaging.

- Beef - Brush and weed control

in pastures; Texas leather industry review; and the beef outlook for 1991.

- Cotton - Farm Bill implications; review amendment to Cotton Research and Promotion Act; and the cotton situation and outlook for 1991.

- Dairy - Why Federal Marketing Orders and how they work; and a question and answer session.

- Wheat and Feed Grains - Wheat and feed grains situation and outlook; wheat and feed grains production management systems; and agriculture banking and finance.

- Hay and Forage - Pasture renovation; overseeding with annual legumes; and avoiding hay hauling problems.

- Peanuts - Peanut diseases; integrated pest management; and steps farmers can take for aflatoxin reduction.

- Fruit and Nut - Marketing issues and activities; and marketing your own product.

- Forestry - Reforestation in Texas; status of timber resources in the National forests of Texas; and the status of the Red Cockaded Woodpecker coordination program.

- Poultry - Food safety and inspection service; potential for mycotoxins in feed grains; 1991

program of work for the Texas Poultry Federation; and the 72nd Texas legislative agenda and its effects on the Texas poultry industry.

- Rice - Production management systems; rice outlook and 1990 Farm Bill review; and international rice situation.

- Horses - Outlook for the Texas horse industry during the 1990s; horse specialists and councils in other states; the function of the Texas Horse Council; and the future of the Texas horse racing industry.

- Sheep and Goat - Brush and weed control in pastures; Texas leather industry review; and endangered species.

- Soybeans - Agriculture banking and finance; Farm Bill implications for soybean check-off; and production management systems.

- Swine - Mycotoxins, effects on swine production; swine brucellosis and pseudorabies programs; and pork quality assurance program.

- Wildlife - Brush management and its effect on wildlife; wildlife habitat management; and food plot establishment and management.

- Vegetables - Mexico free trade agreement; canola production in Texas; and the Africanized honey bee situation.

Ground moisture in good shape after latest storms, USDA says

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Much of the nation's food-producing area is brimming with moisture that will be needed in a few months to produce key crops such as corn, wheat and soybeans, says the Agriculture Department's chief weatherman.

"We're sitting with saturated soils over much of the eastern part of the nation right now," said Norton D. Strommen, chief meteorologist for the department's world agricultural outlook board.

"Most of the Corn Belt has got more moisture in the ground right now than when we started the growing season last year," he said.

No weather is perfect for all people. Too much rain or snow has caused floods and hardship for many. There also are huge pockets of severe drought where long-time moisture deficits still lurk ominously.

Strommen commented after a weekly report issued last week by the government's Joint Agricultural Weather Facility showed the cold weather that pinched California fruit and vegetable crops was part of a frisky general pattern that wound up the old year and ushered in the new.

"The year 1990 ended with a slew of records and extremes," the facility said in its report for the week of Dec. 30-Jan. 5.

Low temperature records were

set in nearly 50 locations, from the northern plains to Texas; westward to California, the report said. Heavy snow and gusty winds belted the Northwest as the latest surge of cold air settle in.

"Meanwhile, more than 30 record highs were notched from Maine to Florida," the report said. "Not all the warmth was welcomed, as rapid snow melt and rain combined to produce extensive flooding from Illinois eastward to the Appalachians and southwestward to the Tennessee Valley."

The facility is operated by the Agriculture and Commerce departments. Weekly reviews provide general weather and crop conditions but make no forecasts of actual crop production.

The report said 1991 began as "significant rain and mountain snow pushed into Southern California," providing moisture to large areas. Heavy mountain snow fell in Arizona, southern Utah and Colorado toward the end of the week, with snow and rain also covering large portions of Texas and Oklahoma.

Meanwhile, from midweek on, "subtropical moisture overrode cold surface air in the southern plains, touching off freezing drizzle and light snow," the report said. "Snow and icing conditions spread to the Ohio Valley and Great Lakes by Saturday."

The lower Mississippi Valley and Arkansas also received heavy rains during the week, the report said.

"By week's end (Jan. 5), flooding was a threat or a reality in portions of the Ohio, Tennessee and central and lower Mississippi River valleys," it said.

Looking at crop conditions, the report said flooding in the Ohio Valley caused damage to some fall-planted crops.

"Snow cover protected winter wheat from major damage in the (Great Plains) states, while the cold temperatures decreased insect populations," it said.

Strommen, in an interview, said early winter precipitation has been about normal so far in the West, Southwest and Pacific Northwest.

"It got a start in the south (of California), but we're still way behind normal in that area," he said. At the same time, there has been some excellent moisture in the Southwest desert areas, although Strommen said those are "still far from what we need to make up for the deficit that had accumulated."

Another trouble spot is the northern Great Plains, "which are the biggest concern at this time of year," he said. "Of course, they very seldom get any large amounts of precipitation, anyway."

But Strommen added that the northern plains have "got enough snow cover to protect the crops up there, and that'll go off as moisture into the ground" when it melts in the spring.

Soviets already use large part of credit to buy U.S. grain

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Soviet Union has already used a large part of its new \$900 million line of U.S. credit to buy grain, according to Agriculture Department export figures.

Officials said that Moscow bought large quantities of U.S. grain and soybean meal, a day after getting the go-ahead on the credit guarantee package.

The credit package includes \$530 million for feed grains, primarily

corn; \$165 million for wheat or flour; \$130 million for protein meals, mostly soybean; and \$25 million for poultry meat. Also, \$50 million was earmarked for transportation costs.

Private exporters reported selling 3.72 million metric tons of corn and 550,000 tons of soybean meal for delivery to the Soviet Union in 1991, the first year of a new long-term grain agreement signed last June 1.

Exporters are required by law to report large sales of grain to USDA on a daily basis. However, no selling prices or other details are provided.

Although the announcement did not say the grain and meal were covered by the new credit guarantee, terms of the deal clearly showed the commodities were eligible for the financing, according to one official.

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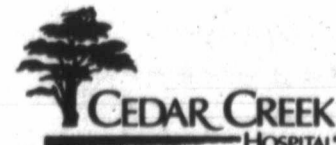
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Romanian family creates puppet magic from old gloves, handbags

By MARK SMITH
Houston Chronicle

BRYAN (AP) — The motley throng buries fears and differences to live together in the Little Jug House.

"We together will make room for you, too," they say as another refugee arrives from the woods, asking — sometimes begging — for shelter.

The unlikely house mates include such adversaries as Frank the Frog, Martin the Mouse, Paul the Pig, Robert the Rabbit, Sam the Sly Fox and Willie the Old Gray Wolf.

They're all puppets, and its the first time they have lived so close, packed together in a tiny house that shakes and squeaks.

The audience — jolly and rambunctious, quiet and thoughtful — listens intently to the critters.

But always the audience hears the messages conveyed through the centuries-old tradition of puppetry. Concepts such as brotherhood and hard work, and messages such as "obey your parents" and "don't cheat or lie" resound throughout the skits.

Some of the skits are gleaned from a rich treasury of "Old World" fables, while others are original scripts — all brought to life by a former Romanian family of puppeteers.

The moral of the tales is simple; the use of puppets, powerful.

"We're bringing the Old World style of puppetry to America," said Elena Szilagyi, one of three Romanian immigrants who mastermind a Bryan-based puppet company. "It's an Old World tradition in Europe, but there are only isolated (puppeteer) groups in the United States.

"The children need something other than television — programs with a message. Puppets are a great tool — something they can touch, which stimulates their imagination, rather than passively watching television, which shows a lot of violence."

Ms. Szilagyi, 45, immigrated to the United States in 1984, settled briefly in New York with relatives before moving to Bryan to study chemistry at Texas A&M University. Her sister, Kathy Racz, 40, and niece, Eموke "Emy" Racz, 15, came to live with Szilagyi on July 25, 1989, and the family soon formed a puppet company.

"We feel with our puppets it will give us success by supplying a moral, ethical and educational message," said Szilagyi, an A&M chemist who recently became a U.S. citizen. The Raczcs are seeking political asylum.

The ability of puppets to tap the imagination of young and old can be used to promote safety, anti-drug messages, ethics and education at schools and businesses, Szilagyi said. The magic of puppets, for example, can even be used while baby-sitting.

"If a parent tells something to a child, he or she doesn't listen," the younger Racz said. "But if a puppet says the same message, the children listen."

"When I go to baby-sit I bring a puppet. If I talk the children don't listen. But if the puppet talks — the wolf or frog puppets — they think the puppets are alive and they listen."

Spurred by the "American Dream" of success and the memory of Muppets creator Jim Henson, who died in May, the family has worked together as a team to write scripts, compose music, design backdrops and promote their works.

"It's school, church, work and that's all," Szilagyi said. "We work evenings and weekends on the puppets. We have no free time."

Kathy Racz, a language teacher and award-winning puppeteer in her native country, serves as the script writer and puppet designer. She taps into her rich knowledge of Russian, Hungarian and Romanian folklore.

In the past year, she has written 16 scripts — 10 of which have been translated into English.

She also has designed and stitched 60 puppets. Ingeniously, she uses odds and ends to create the puppets.

The creative cycle begins when gloves are ripped apart to make Pinocchio's nose and old handbags are used to fashion leather boots for a prince. Curtains, beads and Christmas ornaments are fused to make an angel. A gold chain is converted into a dog collar.

"I enjoy writing the scripts," said Racz, who often played with puppets as a girl. "I'd create characters and play all day when I was young."

Now, Racz said she is able to write entire scripts in less than an hour.

However, musical scores for the plays are composed through teamwork.



(AP Laserphoto)

Kathy Racz, left; Eموke 'Emy' Racz, center, and Elena Szilagyi show some of the puppets they have created for the Bryan-based company.

"First I think up a melody in my mind, I sing or hum the melody and then Eموke hears the song and plays it on the keyboard," Racz said. "Later I think up Romanian lyrics and Eموke translates it into English."

After the songs and play are completed, Racz makes the puppets and Szilagyi teaches volunteer A&M students the play.

A&M volunteers assisting in the plays include students majoring in psychology, political science and English. The puppet company known as the Ludies Group, has taken its show on the road for performances in various Texas cities such as Houston, Bryan, Navasota, Somerville and College Station.

When the company was first formed, Eموke Racz would take the music and lyrics to her ninth-grade English teacher, Mike Evans, who would "polish" the lyrics to ensure proper grammar and rhyme.

"I'd take a tape of the song and lyrics to school and I would translate it and Mr. Evans would help make the lyrics rhyme," said the teenager, now a 10th grader at St. Michael's Academy in Bryan.

Evans, however, downplays his role as a translator, calling it "minor, putting the polishing touches" on the songs.

"I really enjoyed it," said Evans, 46, a language teacher at Jane Long Junior High in Bryan. "Any kid who is willing to work as hard as Eموke deserves all the help she can get."

Evans said he believes in the magic of the puppets after watching many of the performances.

"Young people especially will listen to a character rather than an adult preaching to them," Evans said. "The message is so subtle the kids don't think they are getting preached to. They enjoy the play so much they don't know they are learning."

"In the plays, they try to get across messages like 'Boys and girls pay attention to your parents' and 'Stand up for what you think is right,'" Evans said.

Evans said he and his students viewed Racz as "a phenomenon."

"Within six weeks of her arrival in school she was speaking and communicating in English with all the students," Evans said. "Within another six weeks she was proficient in English."

"I think the kids — who saw her developing the plays — felt she was 'Supergirl.' She is amazing. She can become anything except the president and that's because she is foreign born."

The Raczcs, Evans said, came to the United States for an opportunity to work.

"The mother, Kathy, could do nothing in Romania," Evans said. "She will do anything for her daughter. They have come here and the daughter has a brilliant future in art."

The young woman has straight A's in school and speaks six languages: Hungarian, Romanian, English, Spanish, French and Latin. She wedges in her puppetry and schoolwork while baby-sitting, painting, drawing and tutoring two students in Latin.

"I don't know how I get A's, but I get A's," said Racz, who downplays her academic success. "I'm so busy with everything I don't have time to study."

Racz credits her work with the scripts in helping her develop her English skills.

"I learned English by translating my mom's plays," Racz said. "We'd sit down and work on the plays and I learned past, present and future — word by word."

The Raczcs said they faced discrimination in Romania because of their Hungarian ancestry.

"Hungarians are a minority in Romania," Racz said. "Only 4 million or 5 million out of 22 million or 23 million are Hungarian."

"They (Hungarians) are not officially recognized," she said. "The Romanian government slowly took away all our rights. The current government is worried about separatist movement."

Hungarians, who speak Hungarian, are singled out for discrimination. "If you are Hungarian you are not allowed to speak Hungarian," she said.

Her daughter said the economic conditions were at times frightening.

"We were afraid each day we could starve," Eموke Racz said.

But the family remains driven by the dream left by Muppets creator Henson.

Henson gained a wide following through television and his creation of the Muppets such as Big Bird, Bert and Ernie, Cookie Monster and the famous star-crossed lovers Kermit the Frog and Miss Piggy. Through the Muppets, Henson taught children the difference between "big" and "little," prodded the first faint stirrings of imagination and creativity in children, and gave them their first superheroes.

"I think Kathy can be the same as Jim Henson," Szilagyi said. "She has so many ideas."

"This business is so unique with incredible opportunities," she said. "We would like to go statewide or nationwide if we can find the money and support to do so."

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Researchers dotting the West now with new breed of sheep guard dogs

By TRUDY TYNAN
Associated Press Writer

AMHERST, Mass. (AP) — In a sunlit New England meadow, Kolya stretches out among his sheep for a snooze.

Even in dozy repose, he politely investigates anyone approaching the flock.

And when eyes meet, there is little doubt who's in charge — it's the Shar Planinetz, a huge, lion-like dog with majestic blue mane bred to protect the flocks in the mountains of Yugoslavia from wolves.

Kolya is one of the first of the breed to be used successfully against coyotes by a pair of Hampshire College biologists.

Nearly 15 years after Ray and Lorna Coppinger began experimenting with rare breeds from remote corners of Europe, thousands of the big dogs are watching over flocks in the American West.

And like good shepherds, the Coppingers are still keeping an eye on the big, deceptively placid breeds.

"They are still the best non-lethal method we've got to protect sheep against coyotes and other predators on the open range," Coppinger said.

"We thought we'd place out and follow 100 dogs and that would be the end of the research, but we're up to 1,221 now and still at it," Mrs. Coppinger said.

"The sheep producers wouldn't let us stop."

She estimates that with offspring of dogs and the work of other groups, there are 4,000 to 5,000 guard dogs protecting flocks.

"They are an answer to all of us," said Sandy Petersen, a rancher

in Sidney, Mont., who leaves her two guard dogs alone with her flock of 350 purebred sheep. "They eat a lot, but it's nothing compared to the cost of losing the lambs to coyotes and you don't have to get involved in poison. They keep us in business."

Initially skeptical, the U.S. Department of Agriculture is now promoting sheep-guarding dogs with pamphlets and videos.

In some areas of the West, the dogs have significantly changed the way ranchers manage flocks, said Tom MacDonald of the American Sheep Producers Association.

They are particularly effective on desert range, where a pair of dogs can protect 1,000 ewes, he said.

Some Colorado ranchers have told the association their losses have been cut from 450 sheep a year to a dozen or so.

And not just from coyotes.

At the Coppingers' farm recently a student was training a pair of beguiling, white Maremma pups headed for the area around Yellowstone Park, where ranchers are nervous about plans to reintroduce wolves.

Limited experiments in Minnesota have shown the dogs have not lost their ability to handle wolves, Coppinger said.

In one test a single dog kept a small pack from a bait station for 30 nights, until the wolves finally combined forces to drive off the dog.

"We put him back the next night with a second dog and it went back to a standoff," Coppinger said.

Despite nightly confrontations, the two dogs deterred the wolves until the experiment was ended 30 nights later.

Typically, the guard dogs chase away, rather than kill.

"One of the primary aims of any predator is to keep itself healthy, because it can't hunt for food when it's hurt. So they will back off in the face of the threat of likely harm," Mrs. Coppinger said.

Some crossbreeds have been successful, and the Tibetan mastiff also is used, but most of the breeds of sheep-guarding dogs used in the United States are European, including the Great Pyrenees from the mountains along the French-Spanish border, the Komondor and Kuvasz from Hungary, the Anatolian shepherd, the Akbash from Turkey, the Maremma from Italy, the Shar Planinetz of Yugoslavia and the Polish Tatra.

The only American entry is a smaller strain, developed by the Navahos in Arizona to defend flocks against coyotes, Mrs. Coppinger said.

The Coppingers found that through years of breeding, the guard dogs' psychological development had been arrested in the beguiling stage of puppyhood when little animals affectionately lick and touch their litter mates.

They stay close to the nest and are suspicious of anything new, reacting to an intrusion with a panicked bark or snap.

So a Shar Planinetz will lie down peacefully with its lambs but will stand between its flock and danger with all the distracting impact of a fur-raised, tail-stiff, 100-pound "snapping puppy."

"They seem to be able to set up limits and lines that are not to be crossed," Mrs. Coppinger said. "And once they have bonded with the sheep, that's really the only training they need to guard."

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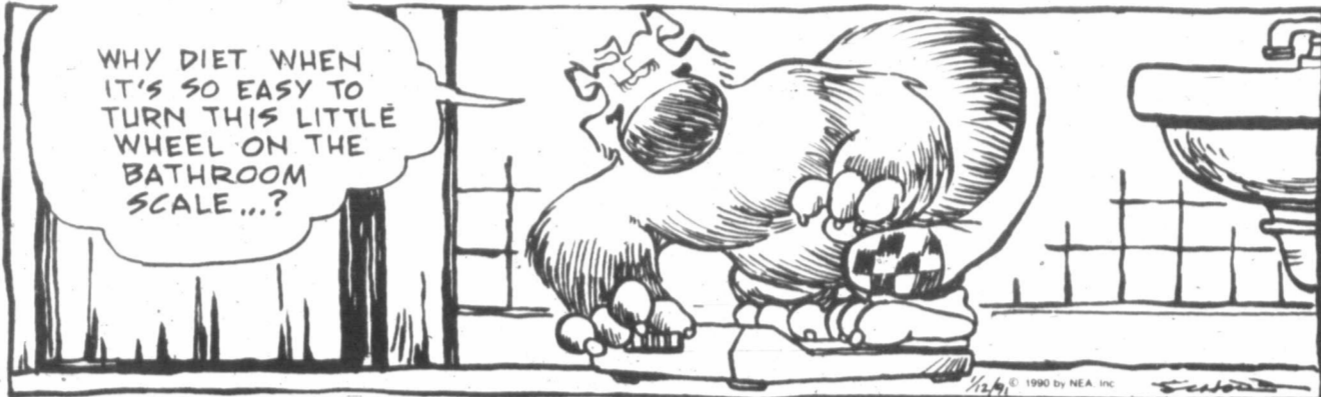
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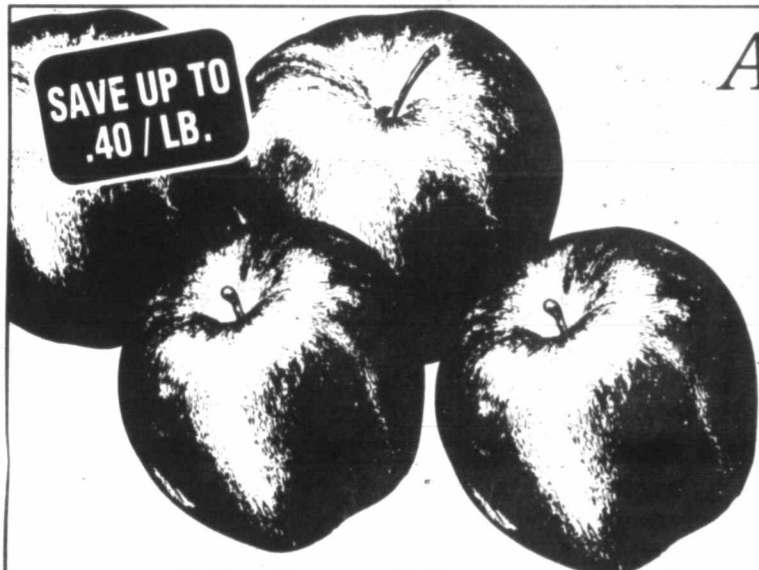


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Premium
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5 LB.
BAG!

*Imperial
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1.69



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*Pilgrim's Pride
Split
Fryer
Breast*

USDA
GRADE A

Any Size
Package

1.49 LB.



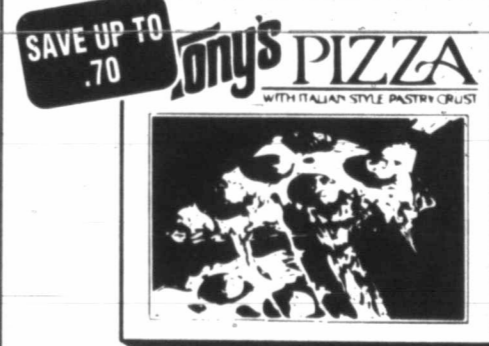
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Sirloin
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Any Size
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Pizza*

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Regular,
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