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Governor's race

Republican George W. Bush and incumbent Gov. Ann Richards handily defeated primary opposition in last Tuesday's elections. If the November gubernatorial election were conducted today, which of the two candidates do you believe would win?

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You then will have an opportunity to leave any comments concerning the Texas governor's race. The Reporter-Telegram prefers you leave your name; however, that is optional.

The non-scientific survey will remain open through Tuesday at noon. Results will be published in Wednesday's edition.

Retailers brace

Texas Lotto officials are bracing for a stampede as the state's jackpot pushed a record \$75 million after no one correctly matched the week-end drawing's six numbers./2A

Terrorist threat

Heathrow and Gatwick, London's two major airports, closed down Sunday night in a security alert after coded warnings were received. The closure came less than a day after the third mortar attack on Heathrow in a week./3A

Safety in space

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA budget cuts and a string of problems with crucial space shuttle parts — including the engines and booster rockets — have raised fears of another Challenger disaster. In the past few months, NASA has investigated one serious shuttle issue after another: booster pressure spikes, glued engine pumps, flawed engine welds./7A

S. Africa moves

MMABATHO, South Africa — A South African diplomat took over as leader of Bophuthatswana without ceremony Sunday to ensure the black homeland takes part in South Africa's first all-race election./4A

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Israel bans radical groups

Cabinet labels 2 Jewish organizations as terrorist

■ Decision is step toward PLO demand that Palestinians be protected from settler vigilantes.

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The Cabinet on Sunday outlawed two Jewish extremist groups, branding them terrorist organizations on a par with long-banned militant Islamic activists.

The decision was a step toward PLO demands that Palestinians in the occupied terri-

ories be protected from settler vigilantes before peace talks on implementing Palestinian autonomy can resume.

The ban on the Kach and Kahane Lives groups followed the massacre in a Hebron mosque Feb. 25, when American-born settler Dr. Baruch Goldstein killed at least 30 Palestinian worshippers.

Both groups seek religious rule in Israel and were inspired by the late Rabbi Meir Kahane, who advocated expelling Arabs from Israeli-controlled territory and said Judaism

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Members of the Jewish extremist group Kach realize the phones in their Jerusalem office no longer work after they were disconnected by Israelis on Sunday.

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SPECIAL REPORT

Young, old square off



Bowler Catherine Cluett, above right, and other residents of a geriatrics center in Troy, N.Y., are among

By Marcia Stepanek
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — One Saturday 16 months ago, Montgomery, Ala., high school senior Todd Lewis gathered up 60 friends, \$40 in pennies, signs that said "Be Accountable" and marched, unannounced, into the campaign headquarters of a local congressional candidate.



Part 2 of a 5-part series

Once inside, Lewis, then 17, and a friend dumped 4,200 pennies onto the floor. Each penny stood for \$1 billion of the national debt — at that time, some \$255 billion less than it is now.

"This represents the debt your generation has created," Lewis said, a local TV

news camera whirring. "Each year, Congress helps add another 200 to 300 pennies to the pile. We're asking you to help clean up the mess."

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Police: Man leads officers to 10th body

■ Crack addict strangled his female neighbors, co-workers during a two-year killing spree, police say.

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A crack addict police say strangled his female neighbors and co-workers during a killing spree that lasted nearly two years was charged Sunday with 10 counts of murder.

Henry Louis Wallace, 28, was arrested Feb. 4 following an alleged theft at a shopping mall but was released. He was arrested again Saturday, and police said four of the 10 murders he is charged with were reported between his release and Saturday's arrest.

Police recovered nine of the 10 bodies before Wallace was charged, and information provided by Wallace led them Sunday night to the 10th body, a woman who had been missing since June 1992, said Capt. H. C. Huneycutt.

Wallace also was apparently wanted on an outstanding warrant in Port Orchard, Wash., said Kitsap County sheriff's Sgt. Cameron Mandeville. He said Wallace had been sought on a warrant issued in 1988 for parole violation stemming from an earlier second-degree burglary conviction.

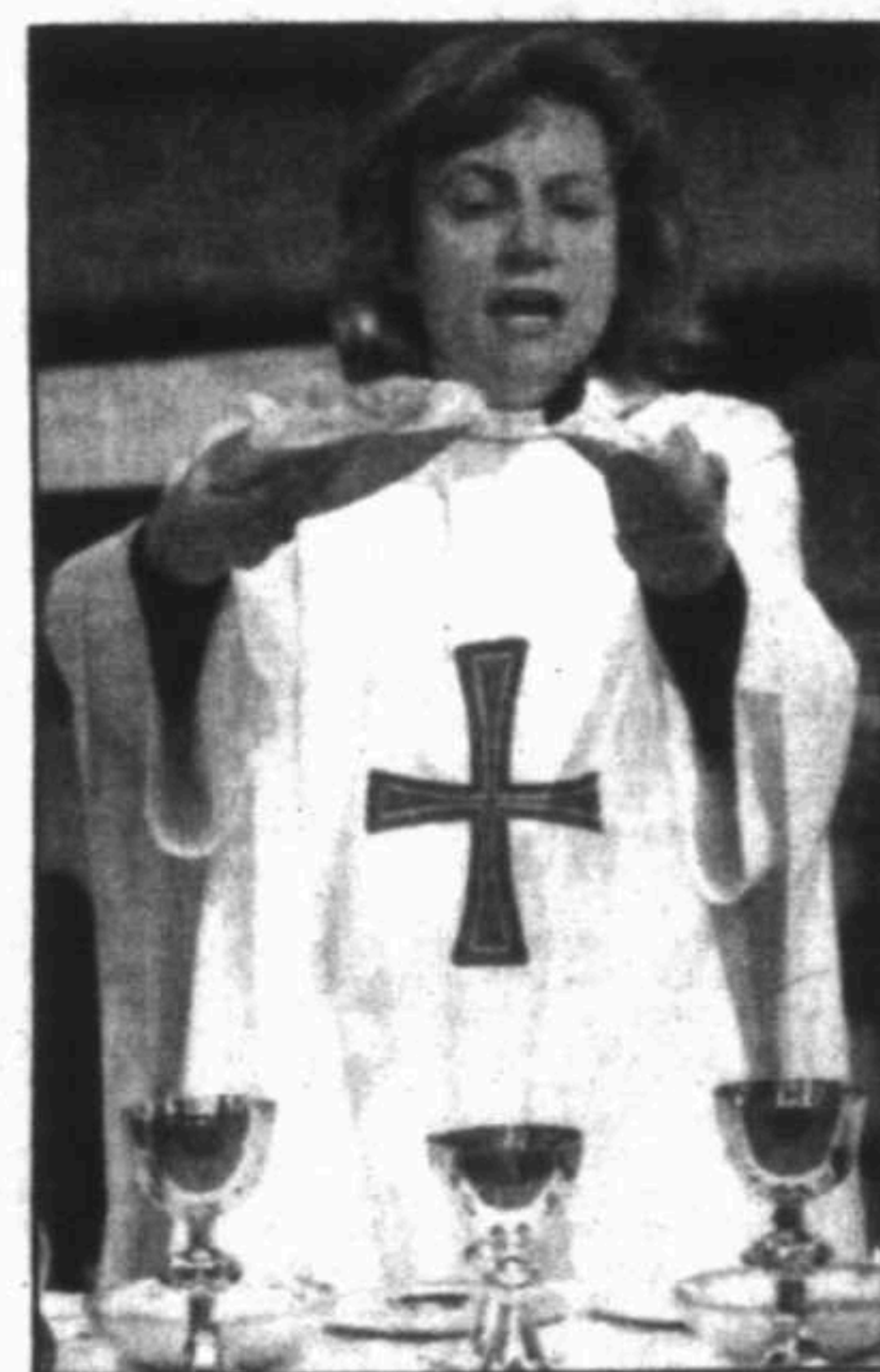
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National red ink sparks generational friction. Today: American youth speak out on issue.

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Female priests

Priest Angela Berners-Wilson conducts a service in England. The ordination of women broke 460 years of Anglican tradition./3A

Scholastic Aptitude format may be new, but test-taking butterflies remain same

By Carole Feldman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — When 200,000 college-bound high school juniors and seniors show up to take the new SAT exam on Saturday, they'll have something besides their No. 2 pencils. For the first time, they can bring calculators.

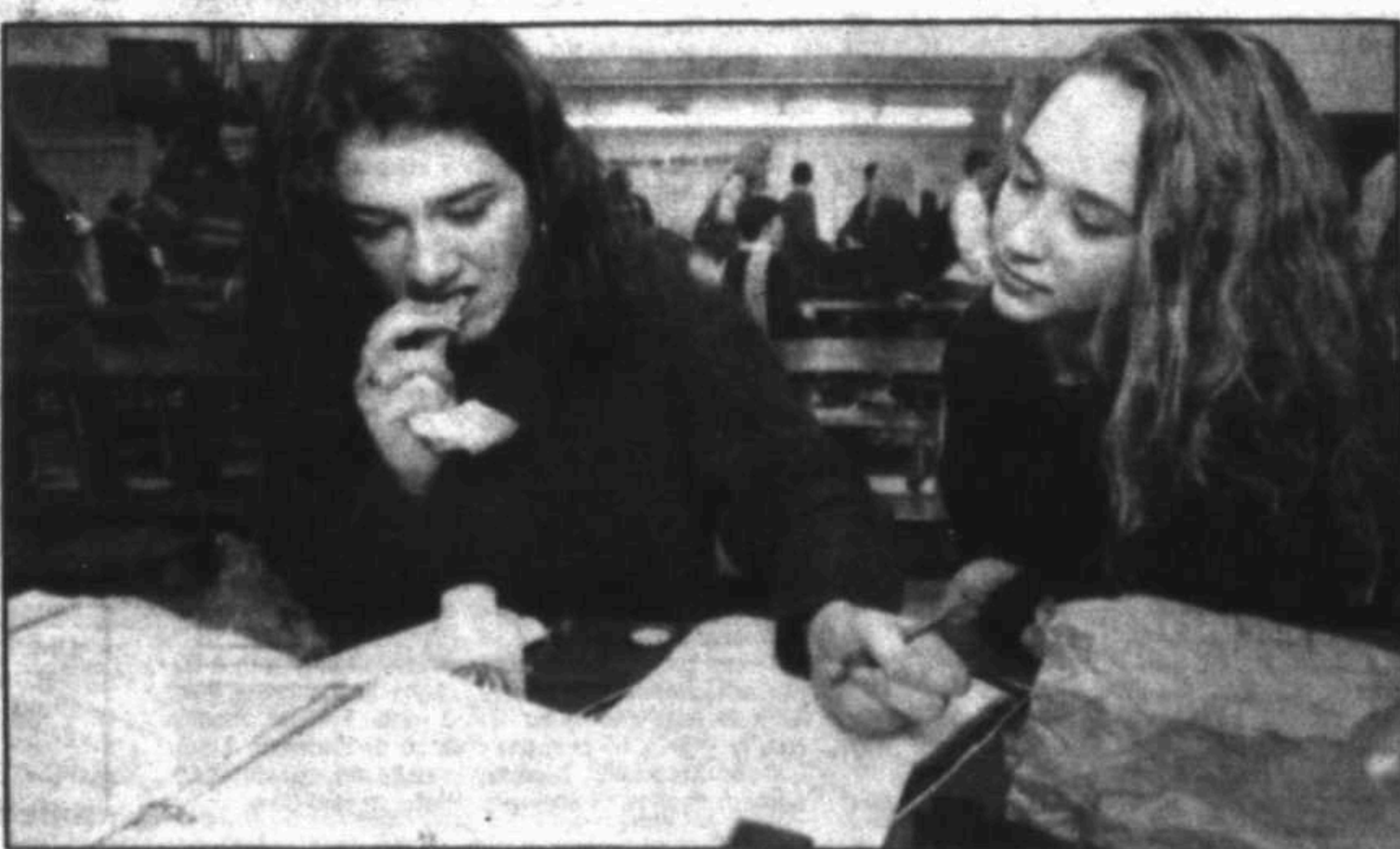
That's just one of the changes in the test, which will be different from the SAT given for the last 20

years. Seventy-five percent of the nation's colleges and universities use the SAT test in its admissions decisions. The College Board, which sponsors the test, said the new version better measures a student's ability to think critically and more accurately reflects what is being taught in the classroom.

Even the formal name has been changed — from Scholastic Aptitude to SAT.

Manasquan, N.J., High Schooler Kate Hill, left, and friend Elizabeth Byron study recently. Hill, 17, got a glimpse of the new SAT when she took the PSAT last October.

AP Laserphoto



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Bomb threats close two London airports after 3rd mortar attack

LONDON (AP) — New bomb threats prompted authorities to close London's two major airports, Heathrow and Gatwick, for two hours Sunday night — just hours after the third mortar attack on Heathrow in five days.

Scotland Yard said no explosives were found after the last warnings, which it called a "cynical ploy by the IRA to cause unnecessary confusion and fear amongst the public." The airports were reopened at 9:45 p.m. local time.

Thousands of airline passengers, many of whom were diverted to outlying airports or forced to wait in terminals for hours, had other words for the chaos resulting from

the attacks and threats.

"It was nothing short of hell," said June Tomkins of Sussex as she waited for a flight to Barbados.

In all, 12 mortar shells have been fired at Heathrow since Wednesday, all failing to explode. No one was injured although air traffic was seriously disrupted.

On Sunday, one mortar landed on the roof of Terminal Four, used primarily for British Airways international flights, and three others landed nearby.

The Irish Republican Army, which had claimed responsibility for the first attack, issued a statement in Dublin, Ireland, late Sunday

accusing the British government of ignoring its warnings.

"The luck of the British authorities who are deliberately taking these calculated and cynical gambles with peoples' lives will inevitably run out," it said. "Our coded warnings should be heeded."

The IRA has targeted tourism as part of its campaign to force an end to British rule in Northern Ireland. It also is trying to pressure Britain's government to make concessions before the IRA joins peace talks.

"The continued opportunity for peace should not be squandered," the IRA said in another statement calling for renewed contact with

Britain. "There is an urgent need to re-focus attention and to move the peace process forward."

Britain has said the IRA must end its campaign of violence before its political allies can join peace talks.

Several news organizations received telephoned warnings about 90 minutes before the mortar attack Sunday morning, police said.

All flights arriving and departing on one runway were stopped for several hours. Passengers were evacuated to another terminal, where they sat amid their luggage.

The shells were fired despite a substantial increase in security,

including armed police patrols, ordered after similar attacks Wednesday and Friday.

Previously, it had not been clear whether the shells were inadvertent duds or if they were intended not to explode.

But David Tucker, commander of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch, said Sunday's shells were loaded with plastic explosives and failed only because "there appears to be a consistent mechanical defect." He would not elaborate.

Around 7:30 p.m. local time, Sky News television said it received two telephone calls warning that bombs would explode at both

Heathrow and Gatwick, 24 miles south of London, within an hour.

The warnings contained codes known to authorities that appeared to make them authentic, but police said no explosions occurred by the deadline.

Both airports were closed for about two hours, however, while authorities conducted searches. Incoming flights were diverted to Birmingham, Stansted and Luton airports north of London and Southampton to the south.

Tucker said he believed the launchers used in all three attacks were planted at the same time, probably last Tuesday or Wednesday. They were set off by timers.

Detentions continue during U.S.-Chinese talks

BEIJING (AP) — Police detained another dissident and a foreign journalist Sunday while Secretary of State Warren Christopher held more unproductive talks with Chinese leaders on human rights.

For the third night in a row, dissident Yang Zhou was taken from his Shanghai home Sunday evening. It was not clear what new offense Yang allegedly committed. He had spent the day resting, trying to catch up on sleep lost during two previous nights' detentions, said his wife, Li Guoping.

"I didn't think they would come back for him a third time," she said.

Yang was detained Saturday after receiving a visit from another dissident. After his release Sunday morning, he said the detentions were to prevent him from having contacts with other activists and were "a silent warning."

Earlier, Carrie Gracie, a reporter for British Broadcasting Corp., was questioned by police for four hours after she and several Chinese friends left a Chinese friend's home about 2 a.m. BBC bureau chief James Miles said the friends were ordinary Chinese, not dissidents. She was the fourth foreign reporter to be detained since Christopher arrived Friday on a visit that has been marked by large-scale police detentions.

In the past two weeks, at least 17 dissidents in Beijing and Shanghai have been picked up in the police sweep. At least four have been in custody for days. Other dissidents left Beijing, apparently to escape harassment and likely under police pressure.

The three other reporters, a Dutch journalist and American correspondents for United Press International and Newsweek, were detained

while visiting dissidents Saturday.

Activist Xin Hong was released Sunday afternoon after nearly 24 hours in custody, but was told she would have to report all her activities to the police. She had written a letter to the legislature supporting direct elections and human rights and also met with foreign reporters in recent days.

Chinese authorities say dissident activities calling for human rights and democracy threaten national stability and must be stopped. The Communist Party newspaper, the People's Daily, ran a front-page editorial Sunday saying stability was the basis for economic and social development.

Surveillance of dissidents in Beijing continued. One family said a large van was parked outside their home and visitors were being kept away for a second day.

U.N. calls for calm in El Salvador before elections

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — The United Nations appealed for calm Sunday after campaign-ending rallies for next week's national election were marred by street brawling that left two people dead and 90 injured.

"The elections should be an occasion for reunifying Salvadoran society and promoting democracy," U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali said in a statement from New York to Salvadoran political parties.

"It is necessary for all to work together for the full implementation of the peace accords," he con-

cluded in the message, which followed clashes Friday and Saturday by rival groups on the fringes of campaign rallies.

Some 2.3 million Salvadorans are to vote next Sunday for a new president, deputies and other offices in the first national election since a 1992 peace accord ended the 12-year civil war that claimed up to 75,000 lives.

Running for the first time is the rebel Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN), which became a political party under the accord. Its candidate, Ruben Zamora, was trailing Armando Calderon Sol of the conservative Re-

publican Nationalist Alliance (ARENA) in recent polls.

The winner will succeed President Alfredo Cristiani of ARENA to become the first civilian president elected in peacetime since the 1930s. Several former leftist rebels and their former rightist adversaries have been killed in pre-election violence.

Although the campaign closing was largely festive, with colorful banners and tropical music, violence erupted on the edges of at least two rallies as celebration gave way to insults, fruit throwing, shootings and stabbings. One person was shot and killed

and 33 others were treated for bruises, knife cuts or bullet wounds during a street brawl Saturday just three blocks from the downtown ARENA rally.

Witnesses said it began when ARENA supporters tried to conscript street vendors into joining the party, then overturned their baskets.

Women priests celebrate their first Communion

BRISTOL, England (AP) — Anglicans crowded churches Sunday for the first Communion services to be celebrated by the Church of England's new women priests.

Congregations across the diocese of Bristol shared the excitement of making history, the day after the first 32 women were ordained priests at Bristol Cathedral in southwestern England.

But there were also prayers for unity to heal bitter divisions caused by the action. A resolute minority of Anglicans rejects ordination of women and some have turned to the Roman Catholic Church.

During the next few months about 1,000 more women deacons will be ordained in similar services, the most momentous change in the church since King Henry VIII broke with the Roman Catholic Church 460 years ago.

The Rev. Angela Berners-Wilson, 39, stood before the altar in St. Paul's in the Clifton area of Bristol to celebrate Communion for the first time.

"We had been looking forward to this day for so long, and now it has happened. It is a wonderful moment for everyone," she said.

After the service parishioners hugged her.

The Rev. Glenys Mills, 55, of Christ's Church in the Clifton area, also celebrated Communion for the first time and said she thought the church's wounds would heal.

"But it may take time because traditionally it has been men who have taken the lead. But our role in the ministry has been more and more accepted over the last few years," she said.

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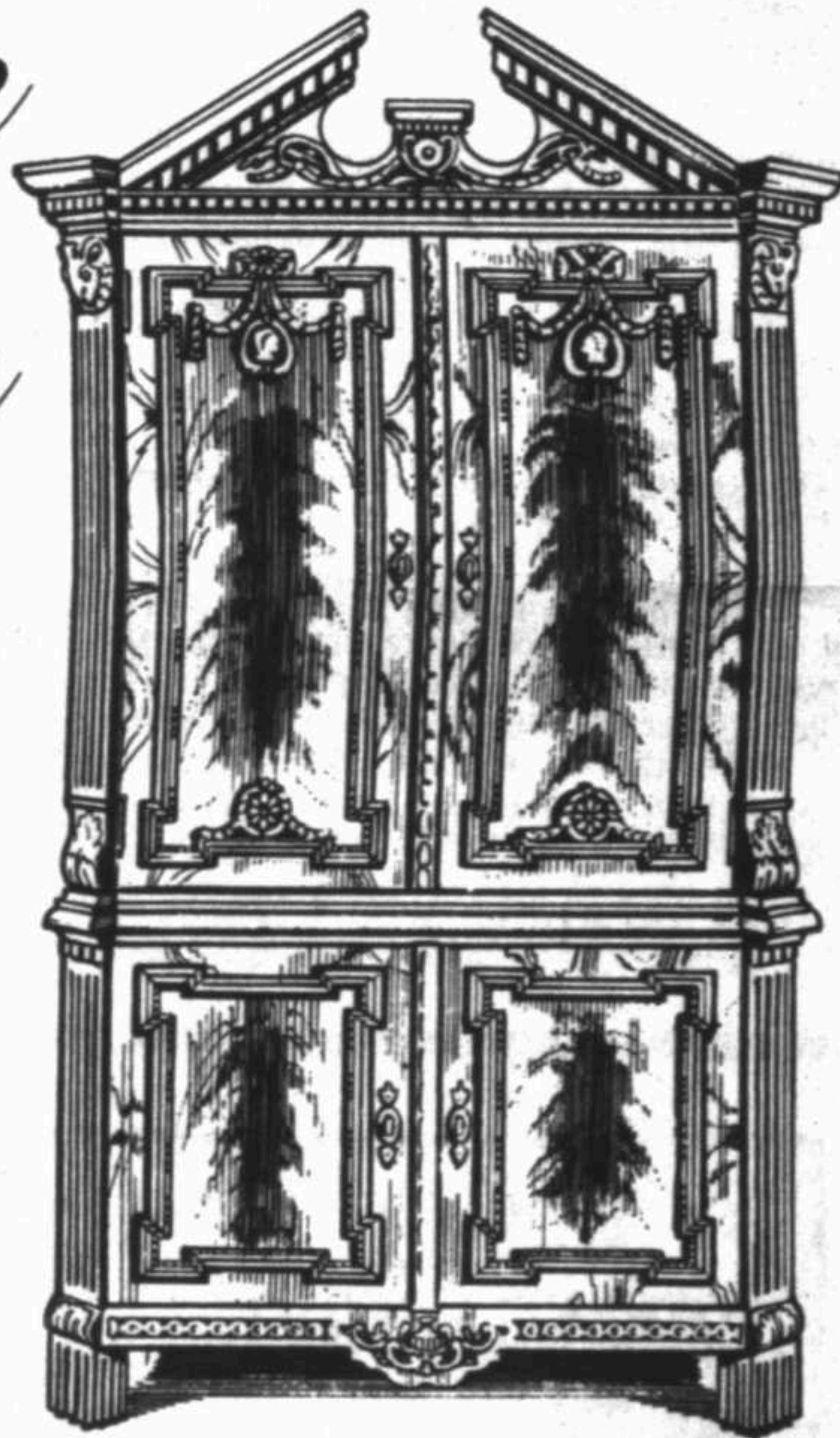
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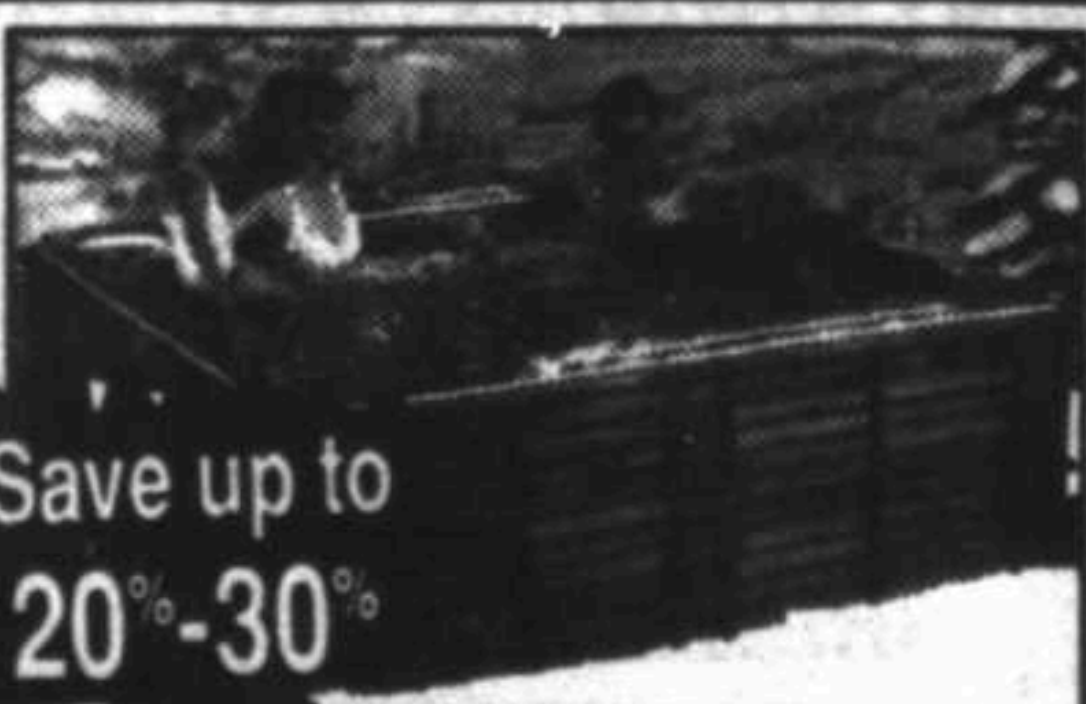
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The World in brief

North Korea warns U.S. against threats

TOKYO — North Korea warned the United States on Sunday not to set "unreasonable preconditions" that would hurt negotiations to open its nuclear facilities to thorough inspection.

The comments seemed a response to U.S. demands that North and South Korea exchange envoys to discuss ways to make the Korean Peninsula free of nuclear arms. The meeting was a precondition for high-level talks between Washington and the Pyongyang communist government scheduled for March 21.

"If a dialogue partner sets unreasonable preconditions... that will result in spoiling the atmosphere of dialogue and negotiation," North Korea's Communist Party newspaper said.

North Korea has insisted the dispute over opening up its nuclear sites to outside inspectors will be discussed only with the United States, which Pyongyang calls a nuclear threat to North Korea.

On Saturday, the two Koreas failed to agree on an exchange of envoys. More talks are planned for Wednesday.

The North Korean newspaper also threatened a "grave phase" in the nuclear dispute if the United States, Japan and South Korea insisted on a hard line against North Korea.

Japan, the only nation ever attacked with nuclear weapons, has reacted nervously to suspicions that North Korea is developing atomic arms.

Afghan president agrees to 15-day truce

KABUL, Afghanistan — President Burhanuddin Rabbani agreed to a 15-day cease-fire on Sunday, but it was not clear if his main rivals would support the truce or continue battering the capital.

The latest cease-fire plan has been negotiated by military and political leaders from southwestern Afghanistan who recently arrived in Kabul.

"The time has come to reach out our hands to each other, to stop the rocketing and killing," Rabbani said in one of his few public appearances since the heavy fighting began Jan. 1 in Kabul.

Countless cease-fire agreements have collapsed in the past and current fighting is perhaps the most intense since Islamic factions ousted the Communist government in 1992 and began warring among themselves.

Outside the Hazrat-e-Bilal mosque where Rabbani spoke, hundreds of soldiers patrolled, a reminder of the ever-present danger in a city assaulted almost daily for the past 10 weeks.

Rabbani is fighting two main rivals, Prime Minister Gulbuddin Hekmatyar and warlord Rashid Dostum. The president's men hold most of the capital, but Hekmatyar and Dostum control the southern and eastern fringes and rocket the city frequently.

Nixon to give favorable report on Russia

MOSCOW — Richard Nixon said Sunday that he is taking home a favorable report on Russia despite his row with President Boris Yeltsin.

"I'm too old" to be offended, the 81-year-old former U.S. president told Independent Television's "Itogi" news show.

Nixon praised progress in Russia's economic reforms and said he felt that the young Russian democracy is healthy and that economic and political freedoms will survive.

Yeltsin and top Russian officials shunned Nixon last week after he met with Alexander Rutskoi, the former vice president who led armed opposition to Yeltsin last fall. He was released from prison last month.

On Saturday, Yeltsin ended the fight and urged government officials to meet with Nixon.

Nixon confirmed he would report to President Clinton on his visit, most likely in writing.

He expressed no regret about meeting with Rutskoi and Communist Party leader Gennady Zyuganov. He described both as important players on the Russian political scene.

While walking in Gorky Park on Sunday, Nixon encountered about 50 hard-line demonstrators opposed to Yeltsin's reforms. Some of them surrounded Nixon and asked for autographs.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

U.N. cancels air strike after Serbs halt attacks

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.S. aerial gunships prepared to strike at Bosnian Serbs firing at French troops, but the raid was called off Sunday after the Serbs guns fell silent and bad weather obscured the target.

The attack order, coming less than two weeks after NATO planes shot down four Bosnian Serb fighter-bombers, demonstrated U.N. resolve to protect U.N. ground troops. But the decision to rescind the strike after the Serbs stopped firing also showed NATO sought to avoid confrontation.

In Vienna, Austria, the Muslim-led Bosnian government and Bosnian Croats agreed on a draft constitution for a future federation between their peoples in Bosnia. "Let us hope this is the first major step toward an overall peace agreement" in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bosnian Premier Haris Silajdzic said.

U.N. special envoy Yasushi Akashi ordered NATO planes to attack Serb positions near Bihac in northwestern Bosnia on Saturday night following a series of attacks on French positions, said a U.N. spokesman, Maj. Rob Annink. A French soldier was killed in the same area Friday.

Annink said a Serb tank had fired at a French armored vehicle, causing no casualties. Two hours later, Bosnian Serbs targeted French positions with heavy machine gun and anti-aircraft fire.

The United Nations claims the

right to call in air strikes to protect its forces.

NATO spokesman John Jeffery in Naples, Italy, said the French peacekeepers asked for air support late Saturday. Two U.S. AC-130 Specter gunships based in Brindisi, Italy, were ordered on an attack mission, but U.N. ground controllers called off the strike early Sunday.

"Mr. Akashi gave permission for close air support, but due to weather circumstances and the fact that the weapons withdrew there was no air strike," Annink said.

French Premier Edouard Balladur and Defense Minister Francois Leotard inspected French troops in the area Sunday. A Balladur spokesman in Paris, who asked for anonymity, said Balladur had wanted to visit the soldiers "because they felt like they're being forgotten and shot like rabbits."

Bihac, as well as the desperate Muslim enclave of Maglaj in central Bosnia, was rocked anew by Serb artillery fire early Sunday. But Bosnian radio said the barages stopped when NATO planes swooped low over the two besieged areas.

U.N. officials later reported the arrival of U.N. observers at Maglaj, where 19,000 people have been under Serb attack since June. No aid convoy has gotten through since Oct. 25, forcing the enclave to depend on air drops for food and other vital aid.

Yugoslavia television on Sunday quoted Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic as saying the Serbs would permit free passage to rucksack-carrying aid anywhere in Bosnia, including Maglaj. Many such promises have been broken in the past, but the arrival of the U.N. team appeared to give substance to Sunday's pledge.

On Feb. 28, NATO jets shot down four Serb warplanes in northern Bosnia. NATO said the Serb planes had ignored several warnings to leave a U.N.-imposed no-fly zone and were observed bombing an area controlled by the Muslim-led Bosnian government.

It was the first military strike by NATO in its 44-year history, and came after repeated threats by the alliance to intervene to back U.N. resolutions aimed at ending nearly two years of civil war in Bosnia.

The Belgrade-based Tanjug news agency said Bosnian Serb commander Gen. Ratko Mladic had complained in a letter to Akashi that the French peacekeepers had built their observation posts on the edge of Muslim positions facing Serb forces. He said "a self-defense action by our soldiers thus could have serious consequences" for the French troops.

Mladic, however, denied his troops killed the French soldier Friday.

In Sarajevo, the main cemetery opened Sunday for mourners for the first time in almost two years. Streets teemed with residents

marking the end of the Muslim holiday of Ramadan, and Russian envoy Vitaly Churkin conferred with Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic.

The two discussed the possibility of disengaging troops around Maglaj and Bihac, and Izetbegovic said he had asked Churkin to persuade the Serbs, who are traditional Russian allies, to return occupied territory.

Central Bosnia, the site of months of Muslim-Croat carnage, also remained at peace Sunday, as the two sides honored a more than 3-week-old ceasefire and the negotiators in Vienna, who began meeting March 4, worked into the night.

The draft constitution followed a basic accord reached in Washington on the outlines of a Muslim-Croat federation that could lead to a confederation with Croatia.

U.S. special representative Charles Redman lauded the two parties for their hard work "in a spirit of compromise." He said the draft constitution will need approval by a constituent assembly and that Bosnian and Croat leaders would be invited to Washington to endorse the accord later this week.

The next step would be to persuade the Serbs to join the federation, he said. But the Muslim-Croat accommodation is viewed anxiously by the Serbs, who are holding out for independence and union with Serbia.

Envoy becomes leader of South African homeland

MMABATHO, South Africa (AP) — A South African diplomat took over as leader of Bophuthatswana without ceremony Sunday to ensure the black homeland takes part in South Africa's first all-race election.

Ambassador Tjaart van der Walt told reporters a return to normal life was essential so political campaigning could begin in a stable climate. He also assured residents he would address complaints that led to strikes and protests against the homeland's president, Lucas Mangope.

Although Bophuthatswana is nominally independent, it is to be reincorporated into South Africa under the new constitution. The government body overseeing the election has been given broad authority to ensure the balloting takes place, and that authority is construed as allowing it to depose Mangope.

The pre-dawn announcement that South Africa no longer recognized Mangope's authority appeared to defuse civil unrest that killed at least 24 people last week.

The takeover showed the resolve of South

Africa's white-minority government and the African National Congress to open the entire country to free political activity. The ANC had been pressing for Mangope's ouster for several days because he opposed participation in the April 26-28 election.

Mangope's removal also was seen as a warning to the Freedom Alliance, an unlikely grouping of pro-apartheid whites and conservative blacks such as Mangope who oppose the election because the ANC is expected to win. They fear the ANC will trample the rights of its opponents after the election.

The election is opposed by some whites and by the Inkatha Freedom Party led by Zulu nationalist Mangosuthu Buthelezi. There are fears their opposition could bring increased political violence and disrupt the election.

Buthelezi condemned the takeover of Bophuthatswana, saying that Mangope had been brought down by violence orchestrated by the ANC, its Communist Party ally and the government.

"There appear to be indications that the

same strategies are being devised for action in KwaZulu," the Zulus' homeland, he said. "All I can say is that KwaZulu... is not Bophuthatswana. We are intent on seeking democratic ways and means of reaching constitutional agreements."

People in Mmbatho, Bophuthatswana's capital, and the neighboring business center of Mafikeng reacted warily to the news that Mangope was out. Many said they lacked faith that a South African official backed by South African troops would improve the situation.

"It's good news because we don't want Mangope," said law student Geoff Moeletsi at the homeland university. As long as South Africa's multiracial Transitional Executive Council is involved, he said, "then it's fine."

Mangope, who had been president since Bophuthatswana was declared independent in 1977 as part of a program to relegate blacks to remote areas, agreed Friday to participate in the election.

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Off the books: U.S. can hide spending

By Marcia Stepanek
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — Worried about Uncle Sam's red ink? You know only part of it. A lot of your money that Uncle Sam is spending — or putting at risk — isn't showing up on the federal budget.

The cost of the Persian Gulf war — some \$50 billion of it — wasn't accounted for there. Neither is \$7.2 billion in earthquake aid to California or \$4.7 billion committed so far to help victims of last summer's Midwest floods.

And January's Los Angeles earthquake? Don't count on seeing all of the \$8 billion or so in aid Congress OK'd for California on the budget books, either. Ditto the \$180 billion spent so far in bailing out America's ailing S&Ls.

The reason: Congress now counts these payouts as one-time, emergency costs. Therefore, lawmakers reason, such spending doesn't have to be budgeted.

But not all lawmakers agree with the practice. "This is a way for government to hide a lot of spending that goes on, and it leaves many of the agencies unaccountable to taxpayers," says Rep. Tim Penny, D-Minn.

Congress also puts trillions of your dollars at risk when it insures savings deposits, pension payouts and guarantees loans.

These obligations don't show up on Uncle Sam's budget books, either even though the risk to taxpayers from

these programs is rising, budget officials say. The maximum possible loss to taxpayers from these programs now totals \$6.2 trillion — more than the \$4.5 trillion national debt.

And thanks to rising defaults, insurance liabilities and lax enforcement, Uncle Sam — the co-signer, lender, market-maker and insurer — is stretched.

Take student loans, for example. Loan defaults in the government's higher education student-aid programs have been costing taxpayers between \$3 billion to \$4 billion every year.

Farm loans have also been cutting into the Treasury. About 43 percent of farmers defaulted on federal loans between late 1988 and early 1990.

And federal pension insurance is another off-budget story.

The federal agency that guarantees pensions to retirees if their companies go under insures 32 million employees against loss in 65,000 different pension plans.

Since 1974, 1,650 bankrupt and weak companies asked Uncle Sam for help paying those pensions.

In 1991, for example, the government took \$1 billion in losses, mainly from the bankruptcies of Eastern and Pan Am airlines.

And now, say congressional budget committees, taxpayers may be liable for as much as \$16 billion by 1997 if big auto, steel, tire and airline companies go under — and keep failing to set aside the money they're promising to their future retirees.

SOCIAL INSECURITY?

By Marcia Stepanek
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — For years, the government has been borrowing some of the money that has been going from your paycheck into the Social Security Trust Fund — money that Washington is supposed to put away for your retirement.

The reason: Spiraling red ink. Uncle Sam is tapping into government savings — just to keep up with the bills.

Instead of saving your Social Security dollars, Washington has been borrowing and spending them — in all, about \$380 billion over the past 10 years, a time when the national debt has more than tripled.

Right now, Washington has plenty to pay current retirees — and probably will have enough for the next 15 years or so.

But by the year 2010, when baby boomers start to retire, the \$1.3 trillion that would have been accumulated by then to help boomers in retirement probably won't be there.

And if Uncle Sam keeps borrowing those savings, like he does now, today's workers will find the trust fund filled with billions of dollars of IOUs instead of cash.

Last year, for example, Uncle Sam borrowed \$50 billion in surplus Social Security savings — all the money left after current retirees were paid their benefits. If Washington hadn't done this, the budget deficit would have been \$305 billion — not the \$255 billion figure the government reported to the public.

This practice of borrowing your retire-

ment dollars to help pay off today's bills began in 1983, when the size of the federal debt began to skyrocket under former President Ronald Reagan and the Treasury needed some extra cash — fast — to help manage it. Congress that year raised Social Security taxes and boosted the surplus cash in the trust fund — and gave Uncle Sam the power to borrow all of it.

"Back then, we realized we needed money fast, and we knew that if we didn't start using the Social Security surplus to help pay bills, we'd have to borrow even more on Wall Street, and that would have caused interest rates to go way up, it would've crowded out private borrowing and in the end, it would have wreaked havoc on the economy," says House Ways and Means Committee staff member Sandy Tobin.

Critics of that policy — including Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y. — say such borrowing is deceptive and tantamount to government "embezzlement" of the nation's retirement funds.

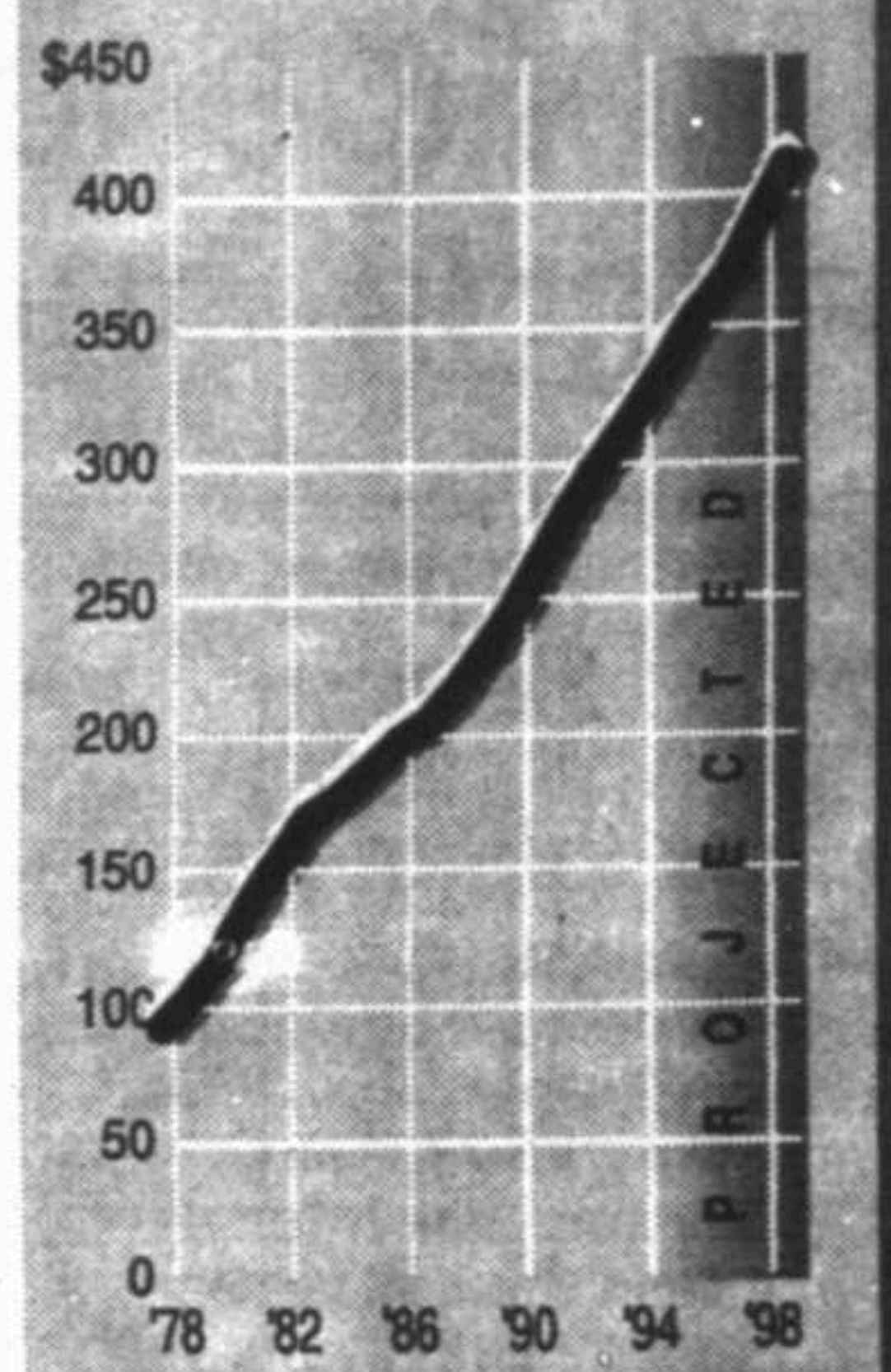
If private corporations borrowed from their employee pension funds this way, he says, it would be illegal under federal law.

Worse yet, Moynihan says, none of this borrowing shows up on the budget. And what budget officials in Congress do to Social Security, they also do to other trust funds — military, postal, railroad and civil service retirement.

Says Rep. Richard Armey, R-Tex.: "The money gets spent. There's a note, which means you've got to raise more taxes if you ever want to get at that money."

Federal spending on Social Security

The rapid rise in the cost of our entitlements—including Social Security—is the main reason we go into debt each year. Between now and 1998, our annual Social Security bill will rise by at least another \$100 million.



Source: White House Budget Office
Albany (NY) Times Union/Jeffrey Scherer

FRICTION: Baby-busters speak out on debt issue

Generation Xers demand cuts now to avoid getting stuck with all of the bills later

(From 1)

Since Lewis' publicity stunt, Lead or Leave has held a half-dozen pennydrops of its own around the country. Is the deficit suddenly sexy? To the MTV generation, the debt is fast becoming a potent symbol of generational neglect.

An MTV poll taken last fall showed that 18-to-24-

year-old voters rate the budget deficit as the second-most serious problem facing the country — trailing the economy in general. Teen movie idols Val Kilmer and Christian Slater also are speaking out about the debt,

and students on college campuses are organizing rallies this spring to demand a bigger share of Washington's tax dollars.

Mixed in with their tough words is hostility toward the elderly, now the nation's fastest-growing segment of the population. A recent poll by the Times Mirror Co. found that between one-third and one-half of the young people in Florida think "the elderly are a selfish voting bloc that benefits unfairly from government social policies."

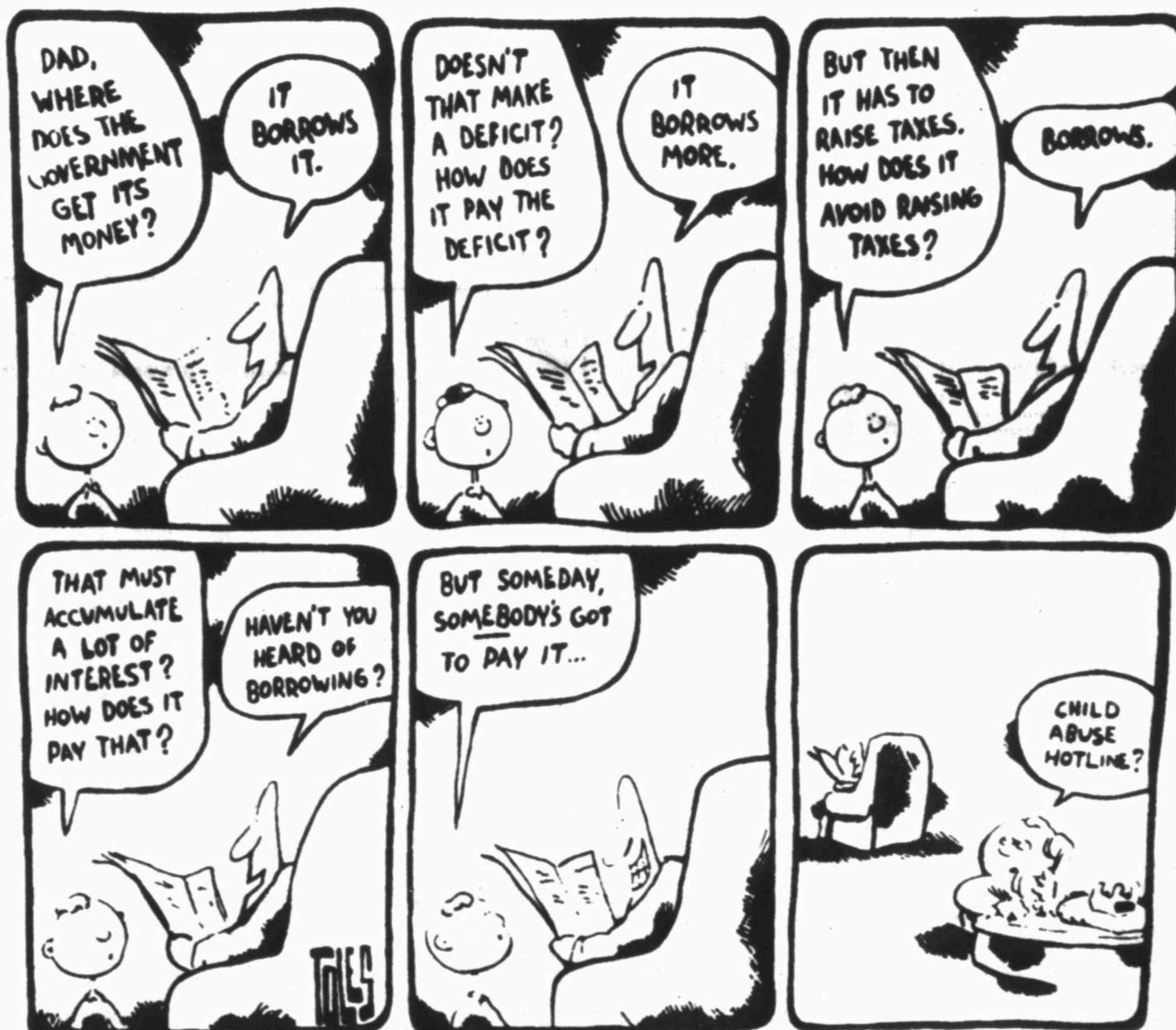
There is a beef against baby boomers, too. Twentysomethings see themselves as the first children of America's economic and social decline. Boomers, they say, coasted through life without ever having built anything.

"Who says we don't understand the debt problem?" said Cowan, 28. "Someone shoved a microphone into the face of a 14-year-old at one of our rallies this year and asked if he knew what it was about. He said, 'My parents and grandparents borrowed a bunch of money, I'm getting the bill, I'm going to have to pay it and I won't get anything for it.' Believe me, these kids get it."

Today, Uncle Sam spends three of ev-

"The nation has been taking out a line of credit in our names and we will be paying it for the rest of our lives."

— Nick Nyhan, Lead or Leave



Tom Toles / Universal Press Syndicate goes to help fund Social Security and Medicare.

If health-care costs aren't slowed, people working by the year 2040 could be kicking in anywhere from one-fourth to one-half of their paychecks to support baby boomers in their retirement. By then, there will be far fewer young people working than old people retired.

Today, roughly 4 people work to sup-

port each retired person. By 2040, says the Population Institute, that could go as low as one-working-person-to-one retired.

"It's time to rewrite the social contract between working Americans and retired Americans," Cowan said. It won't be easy.

To do so means taking on the granddaddy of political lobbies, the powerful American Association of Retired Persons — 34 million strong and well-funded.

AARP legislative director John Rother says the group will try to resist "becoming a target of geezer-bashing" in upcoming fights over spending cuts.

Rother and representatives of other elderly groups say health-care costs must be cut — but not at the expense of seniors.

"Everyone will be old some day, and when baby boomers retire, there will be far more people demanding benefits from the system than there are now," Rother says.

Big-time aggression against Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare, say lawmakers, could mean political suicide. The adage on Capitol Hill: "Touch Social Security and you die."

To Lead-or-Leave's Cowan, the debt is the spark that will awaken the post-1960s generation — not only to its political voice but to the challenges that lie ahead for all generations amid an uncertain, more global economy.

"The debt is our generation's Vietnam," Cowan asserts at Lead or Leave rallies. "It symbolizes Washington's neglect of our needs."

In the 1992 congressional races, the group dared Senate and House candidates to take the pledge — to cut the deficit in half by 1996 or resign.

In all, 100 candidates for the House and Senate, including 10 incumbents, signed the pledge. Of them, only 17 were elected. Many of the incumbents, like Rep. Tim Penny, D-Minn., have already announced their resignations.

Absent bigger steps on the deficit, Cowan said, "Younger Americans have a stark choice — either square off against our elders in a generational showdown or allow their reckless leadership to squander our future."

to defense. Today, both defense and education spending are roughly 6 percent — while health costs have climbed to 14 percent of the nation's output. That could grow to 18 percent by the end of the decade.

Weitzman, like many Americans, also chafes at the spending squeeze brought on by the huge national debt and annual deficits. By having less flexibility to fund public works projects like roads and bridges, help struggling artists and writers and provide other public services, the government has contributed to declining expectations for the future, Weitzman said.

"The hope is not there," said Weitzman, whose family was on government relief during the Depression.

"The overriding drive of our parents was to make it better for their children," he said. "My five children are better off than I was as a child, but I have serious doubts that can continue. I'm nervous about that."

By Alan D. Abbey
Hearst News Service

NEW SCOTLAND, N.Y. — Joe Weitzman, 64, planned his retirement from state government last spring as carefully as he could. He met with an accountant, reviewed finances and waited until his union ended a two-year contract dispute with the state of New York.

Weitzman, a former civil service engineer, is now vigilant about his investments and spending.

But Weitzman fears that despite all that careful planning, Uncle Sam's red ink — and Con-

LIVING WITH LESS

gress' attempts to cut back on it — could end up becoming a savings-buster for him and thousands of older Americans on fixed incomes.

"I'd like to think I deserve my full retirement benefits" from the federal government, Weitzman said, but he's wondering if he'll get them.

Because of rising red ink, lawmakers in Washington are becoming increasingly tempted to target once-sacred elderly aid and welfare programs: Some \$4 of every \$5 spent on aid to the elderly is being paid out regardless of economic need.

These so-called entitlements, or social aid dollars — chiefly Social Security and Medicare — represent the last frontier for budget-cutters in Washington and are the largest, fastest growing chunk of Uncle Sam's spending.

As health-care and pension costs skyrocket, at three times the pace of the economy, senior citizens now get more of the federal spending pie each year than the

Seniors worry

Debt rebounds in retiree's home budget

AMERICA'S DEBT DRAIN

TUESDAY: How America borrows billions to stay afloat — and how Wall Street turns Uncle Sam's red ink into profit.

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Intelligence folly needs our scrutiny

In Peter Ustinov's rarely performed but unforgotten comedy "Romanoff and Juliet," the leader of a fictional European nation alerts the Soviet ambassador that the United States knows about a certain Soviet intelligence operation. "We know they know," says the Russian. The intermediary tells the U.S. ambassador, "They know you know," to which the diplomat replies, "We know they know we know."

Back goes the go-between to Moscow's envoy, who expands: "We know they know we know they know." To which the American, after counting the knows, gasps in astonishment, "They know that!"

This bit of dialogue drew on the family experience of Ustinov, whose father once worked for British intelligence. It also helps explain the counterspy intrigues that threaten to chill relations between Washington and Moscow.

It is generally forgotten that 90 percent of information distilled by the Central Intelligence Agency comes from consular and diplomatic reports using mostly open sources. Most of the remaining data derive from communications traffic intercepted by the top-secret National Security Agency. Yet a vast clandestine bureaucracy spends uncounted billions to know what they know we know they know — the remaining fraction of 1 percent.

Just possibly, Americans may learn a good deal about the extent of this game if there is an

open trial of Aldrich Ames, the erstwhile CIA counterspy who is charged with selling secrets to Moscow. "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" is the scriptural phrase inscribed over the CIA's portals in Langley, Va. Good advice: if for any reason there is no open trial, then let Congress summon Ames's superiors to open hearings so that the American people can finally also be in the know.

Why not begin with a disclosure of the agency's budget, believed to be \$30 billion yearly, and show how much is earmarked for clandestine operations? Not since the Church Committee a generation ago has there been an independent appraisal of the CIA's efficacy. It is nowhere written in stone that a secret spy agency is essential to American security — indeed before 1947 there was no CIA. The agency needs to justify anew the need for its huge clandestine bureaucracy — which was originally mobilized, after all, against a global adversary that ostensibly no longer exists.

Americans have no trouble seeing Boris Yeltsin's evident folly in failing to terminate the Ames connection, which, if federal charges are true, kept secrets flowing even as communism was crumbling. But how is that different from the CIA's own attempts to penetrate Russia's spy services? Is it possible the problem is in the game itself?

LEWIS GRIZZARD

Who needs to ride horses when we have our cars?

Some fool tried to get me to go horseback riding the other day. I was visiting friends who own a lot of land, and they've got dogs and cats and cows and even a few chickens. I'm not certain how many horses they have, but there appeared to be enough to refilm a couple of episodes of "F Troop."

I not only said "no" to the invitation to climb upon a horse, but I added a familiar expletive in front of it so there would be no misunderstanding as to the strength of my resolve.

"Then stay here and pet the dogs," I was told, and everybody went out to ride.

My dislike for horseback riding goes way back.

My uncle was a farmer who grew corn. When I was a small boy he offered me gainful employment as a corn puller one chilly Saturday afternoon.

I don't know how many out there have ever had the opportunity to pull ears of corn from their stalks, but if you haven't, decline any and all offers to do so. Ears of corn do not come off their stalks without a fight.

I twisted and pulled ears of corn for eight hours. When we were

done, I expected payment for my efforts.

"You did a good job today," my uncle said. "You can ride my horse any time you want to."

I tried to call the Child Labor Abuse Office and turn in my uncle, but my mother wouldn't let me.

"Why don't you ride the horse?" she suggested.

What the heck. As I stood while my uncle saddled his horse, the horse stepped on my toe.

I threatened a lawsuit and vowed never again to get near a horse I didn't have money on.

I kept my vow for 30 years. Then I was vacationing out West and my companion said, "Let's go horseback riding."

My horse was named "Leatherneck." Hers was "Colonel."

"These horses must have been in a war with names like that," my companion said.

"The Spanish-American, from the looks of them," I said.

I followed her and Colonel, who turned out to have a serious gas problem.

"Can't you keep up?" she asked, as I pulled Leatherneck back several lengths.

"Either you turn that horse around and make him go backward, or I'm sticking back here," I said. "My olfactory system can't take any more."

God gave us Henry Ford and cab fare for some reason, and I know what it was.

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JACK ANDERSON

Staffer-candidates run on inside track

WASHINGTON — Massachusetts' Third District may be the best represented in the country. Although it is currently represented by Republican Peter Blute, it is being shadowed by the man who wants to take his job next November, Jim McGovern.



Anderson

McGovern is not your typical challenger. Only 34 years old, he already has more experience on Capitol Hill than most members of Congress. His Rolodex includes powerful friends like White House senior adviser George Stephanopoulos and Communications Director Mark Gearan — both of whom have planned campaign appearances on his behalf. Perhaps more important, he will be running with the help of his boss for the past 13 years — Rep. Joe Moakley, D-Mass., chairman of the powerful House Rules Committee.

Two years after voters' anti-incumbency fervor elected self-proclaimed "outsiders" like Blute in a historic turnover in Congress, a collection of well-connected insiders are planning their revenge. Although this year promises another large turnover on Capitol Hill, many of those running are congressional staffers like McGovern who seek to use their intimate knowledge of Capitol Hill as a stepping stone to higher office.

In a chamber where senior staffers often wield nearly as much power as their bosses, staffer-candidates like McGovern enjoy considerable advantages in fund raising over other challengers. In the case of McGovern, his Capitol Hill experience has already allowed him to show his clout to the voters of the third district.

His chance came last fall, when he played a pivotal role in securing \$1.4 million in federal funds for the Worcester-based Massachusetts Biotechnology Research Institute. Although Blute had met with an institute representative

on several occasions, he was surprised to learn that the grant had been awarded. He was even more surprised to find out who was taking credit for it in his local paper — McGovern.

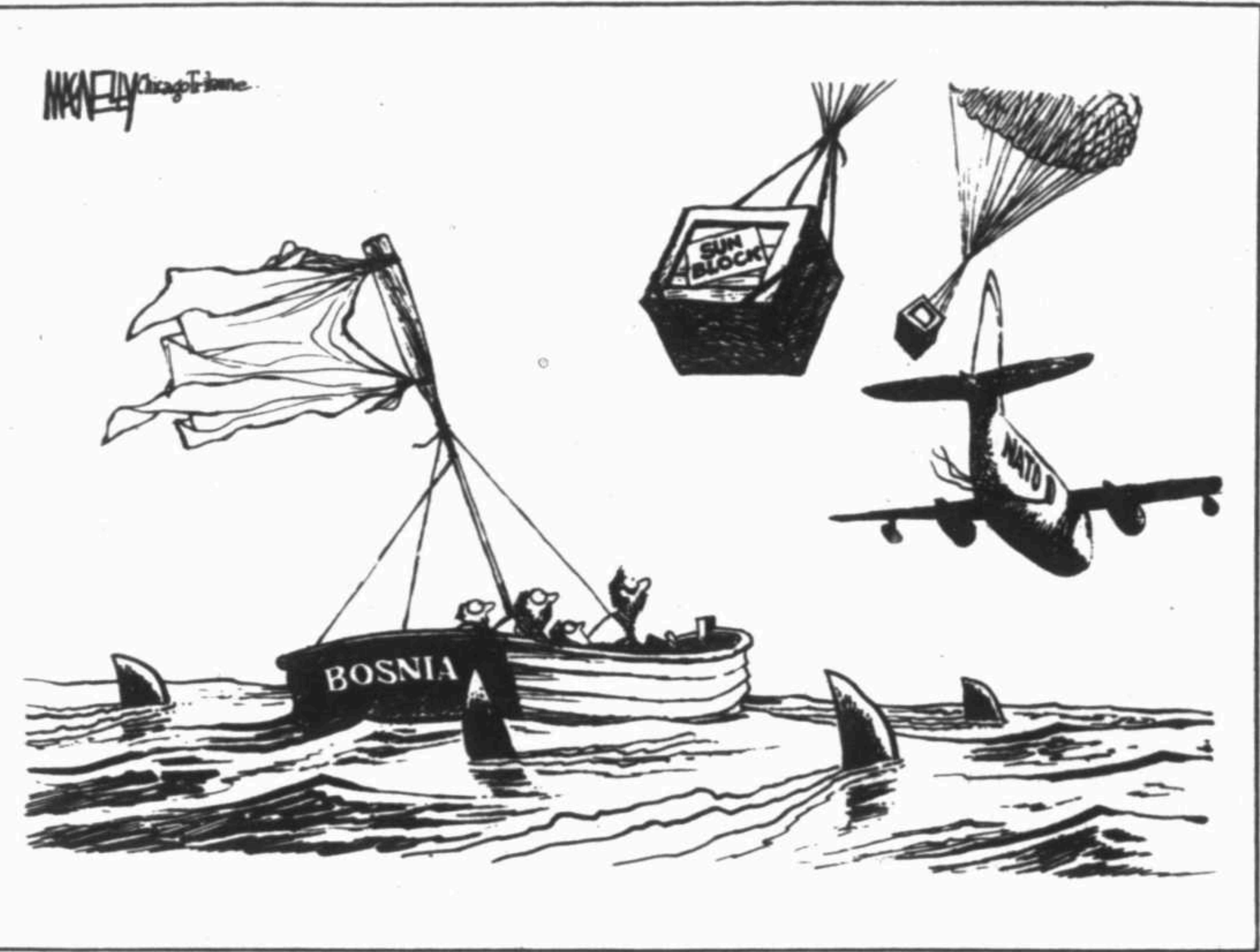
"It was a bit disconcerting," Blute now says of learning that his likely opponent next fall had already delivered a project to his district. "I would say it's certainly strange to be in meetings here in Washington and have one of the people at those meetings obviously running against you," Blute told our associate Jan Moller.

McGovern, on the other hand, is unapologetic when called an insider. "I'll take the title if you take the definition," he said. (An insider is "someone who knows the process, and in the

end can deliver. In my mind it's a waste to send someone to Capitol Hill who can't do anything.")

McGovern, who remains on the Rules Committee staff — albeit out of Moakley's Boston office — until the end of this month, is getting plenty of help in "doing something." Besides the help of his influential boss, McGovern's name has been circulated to potential political action committee donors by Democratic officials who list Blute as one of the most vulnerable incumbents this fall.

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CHARLEY REESE

West Bank troubles near point of no return

Unless the United States forces Israel to accept U.N. peacekeepers in the West Bank, the peace talks are probably as dead as road kill.

Arrogant individuals who smugly say the Palestine Liberation Organization will return to the talks because they have no choice are at best ignorant of the situation, at worst, blinded by their arrogance.

Without some tangible, visible change of situation in the Occupied Territories, the PLO can't resume the talks, because the people in the West Bank and Gaza won't stand for it. If Yasser Arafat showed up in Hebron today, he'd probably be lynched by the Palestinians.

The agreement was supposed to result in Israeli troop withdrawal from Gaza and Jericho last Dec. 13. It hasn't. The Israelis, who hold all the cards and the power, have to bear the blame for the delay. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's repeated statements "a few more

weeks won't matter" have been proven tragically wrong by the massacre in the Hebron mosque.

Time is never on the side of peace in the Middle East or any other volatile region where unforeseen events can completely reshuffle the cards in an instant.

Nor do Israel and the United States have much time now to re-start the peace process. Violence breeds violence and at any moment, some Palestinian bent on vengeance could commit some act against Israelis that would wreck the Jewish consensus for pursuing peace, just as the mass murder of Palestinians has wrecked it among the Arabs. These things are like a chain reaction — one event sparking another which sparks another until, like a nuclear reaction, all hope of controlling it is lost.

Clinton should realize that all opportunities are by nature fleeting and that timing is everything.

Unfortunately, when speed and decisiveness are needed to avert calamity, the leaders of Israel and the U.S. are both slowed and made cautious by their respective handicaps. Rabin, with Israel's crazy parliamentary system, has to forever try to hold his fragile coalition together and hence cannot take too bold a stand

in any direction. Clinton has less excuse. The drag on his leadership is nothing more than his own desire not to offend the Jewish lobby, which itself is now somewhat divided between moderates and extremists.

Everyone should be clear, however, that the alternative to peace is not just a return to the status quo. Israeli hardliners think they can defuse the intifada by a combination of brutal suppression and bribes in the form of economic development offers.

It won't work. Israel has made life so miserable, so humiliating, so degrading for the Palestinians under its occupation that they have reached the point that they prefer death to continued rule by Israel.

Thus, just by their resistance, they can do what Israeli moderates fear — force the Israeli government to become so brutal, so oppressive, so vicious that Israel becomes the new South Africa and a pariah among nations. As the wiser Israelis have pointed out, Israel cannot survive as a pariah in a state of perpetual conflict.

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LETTERS

Animal Control does best it can

This letter is in response to a letter in your Sunday, March 6 edition regarding Midland Animal Control.

The writer of the letter was condemning Midland Animal Control for selling a sick cat to her.

Her letter didn't mention that at the time of adoption, every cat and dog receives a free health-check form.

This free health-check form may be taken to any vet to determine an animal's health. In the event the adopted pet is found to be ill, the owner has the option to nurse it back to health or return it to the pound and receive a refund.

Midland Animal Control handled over 540 animals last month, and of this number some were visibly ill. Of these animals, none were ever offered for adoption. So, Animal Control has to be limited to those things they can visually check to determine health. The city doesn't have the funds to check each and every animal they handle for each and every ailment. After all, the number of adoptions runs around 10 percent of the total number handled.

Maureen D. Lewis
Midland

Group thanks project's volunteers

On behalf of the board of directors of Keep Midland Beautiful, I want to take this opportunity to publicly thank the volunteers and businesses that made the planting at the Rose Garden in Crier Park so successful.

The guidance, expertise and unselfish donation of time by Jim Galyean, local rosarian, made the entire project come to life. He helped with the overall design of the garden, instructed the volunteers on proper planting practices and was available for countless questions throughout the planning process.

The city of Midland parks department spent several days getting the beds into shape by replacing the wooden borders and mixing in compost and sand. Then, promptly at 8 a.m.

Saturday, March 5, volunteers started arriving. Some of the groups represented were the Master Gardeners, Texaco Volunteers, Abell Scholarship recipients, National Guard, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs, Keep Midland Beautiful board members and several interested citizens. With the help of these Midlanders, what could have been an insurmountable task, was accomplished in a matter of hours.

The goal of Keep Midland Beautiful was to return the garden to its previous state in a span of 3-5 years. However, through the generosity of Allredge Gardens, Weeks Roses, Hector's Feed and Ranch Supply, and over 80 volunteers, our vision was realized on March 5.

Cindy Botes
Executive Director
Keep Midland Beautiful

Postal service error upsets resident

I read Helen Lee's letter "Mail service needs overhaul" (Letters, March 7) with great interest because, like Helen, I too am dissatisfied

with our postal service.

Just recently, a postal carrier delivered 100 blank personalized checks for our address to someone else's address. Fifty of our checks were discovered in an alley one block away by one of our thoughtful neighbors, who returned them to me. Much different from the neighbor to whom our checks were misdelivered who discarded them in the alley.

After filing a formal complaint with the postmaster, Stanley Sartain, about our misdelivered checks, he answered back in a letter: "Please accept my sincere apology for the inconvenience and the expense caused by the misdelivery."

Since no provisions are made for the postal service to reimburse expenses such as we incurred as a result of this incident, we have had to bear the expense of stopping payment on the missing checks, the cost of the checks which were misdelivered, and the cost of ordering new checks.

Kathy Whitaker
Midland

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Budget cuts, bad parts raise fears of another Challenger disaster

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA budget cuts and a string of problems with crucial space shuttle parts — including the engines and booster rockets — have raised fears of another Challenger disaster.

In the past few months, NASA has investigated one serious shuttle issue after another: booster pressure spikes, glued engine pumps, flawed engine welds.

Daniel Mulville, director of NASA's engineering and quality management division, said the problems are unrelated and in no way suggest "we have been lax in our standards or compromise our standards."

But Alex Roland, a former NASA histo-

rian who now teaches at Duke University, said he's worried and has been for years.

"They're getting a little more comfortable, perhaps too comfortable, and that's what happened with Challenger," Roland said.

John Pike, head of the Federation of American Scientists' space policy project, also said he fears another accident — perhaps sooner than later.

Challenger exploded 73 seconds after liftoff on Jan. 28, 1986, after combustible gas leaked from an O-ring joint on the right solid rocket booster. All seven people aboard, including a high school teacher, were killed.

It was NASA's 25th shuttle flight. Columbia's two-week research mission, due to end Friday, is No. 61.

NASA estimates the odds of a cata-

strophic failure during the shuttle's 8½-minute climb to orbit — considered the most dangerous part of the flight — at 1 in 75.

But those estimates don't factor in recent cuts that have trimmed NASA's budget by hundreds of millions of dollars and forced the agency to delay some safety improvements.

"The string of problems we've seen not only in the shuttle program, but with the Hubble, the Mars Observer, is from squeezing programs across the line and making them fit into an inadequate budget," Roland said.

Hubble was launched with a deformed mirror that required repairs by space-walking astronauts. The Mars Observer vanished last summer as it neared Mars;

program managers were criticized for design flaws and poor operating procedures.

NASA's proposed budget for the next fiscal year contains \$3.3 billion for the shuttle program, down from \$3.5 billion this year, which was down from \$3.9 billion last year.

"This is it. We can't get any closer to the bone," NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin warned when the proposed budget was presented to Congress last month.

The head of NASA's space flight program, Jeremiah Pearson III, insists that safety is, and will remain, paramount. He wants to fly at least six shuttle missions a year; anything less wouldn't save much money, he said, and might cause proficiency to drop. The current plan calls for eight flights a year.

To save money, NASA has eliminated shuttle work deemed redundant, deferred safety improvements and, since 1988, reduced the production of main engines from five to two a year. Each engine costs more than \$40 million.

"The real challenge for NASA is to cut the budget while maintaining safety," Columbia's commander, John Casper, said from space during a news conference Sunday.

"There probably is a line out there. I'm not aware of where that line is, but I know the program managers for the shuttle program are, and I know that they won't let us go below that line and they will not permit unsafe shuttle operations," Casper told reporters.

White House counsel hits network news shows to talk about Whitewater

WASHINGTON (AP) — Following the first lady's lead in damage control, White House counsel Lloyd Cutler predicted Sunday the Whitewater affair "will turn out to be nothing at all." Republicans pushed harder for hearings, with a GOP senator questioning the president's truthfulness.

And the former owner of a failed Arkansas thrift at the center of the federal investigation said President Clinton is "guilty of committing no crime." James McDougal, who co-owned the Whitewater Development Corp. with the Clintons, said Hillary Rodham Clinton is

guilty of nothing, other than "poor bookkeeping."

Cutler was named special counsel last week to temporarily replace Bernard Nussbaum, who resigned under pressure after revelations of private White House briefings with Treasury Department officials. The White House was told about a confidential investigation into McDougal's thrift, Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, and its ties to Whitewater.

Hitting three network talk shows, Cutler made his debut as the point man for the White House Whitewater strategy: Concede to

mistakes that gave the appearance of a cover up, argue that the Clintons were actually totally forthcoming and resist congressional hearings.

"At least as far as even a breath of criminal activity by either the president and the first lady, it will turn out to be nothing at all," Cutler said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Mrs. Clinton sounded the new theme Saturday, telling news magazines that she made the mistake of trying to withhold details about Whitewater to protect her family's privacy. The interviews with "Ti-

me" and "Newsweek" were designed to boost her popularity, which dropped while she remained silent about the affair.

"I really have been pulled kicking and screaming to the conclusion that if you choose to run for public office you give up any zone of privacy at all," she told Newsweek.

Republicans were unbending in their demand for congressional hearings. Taking the most extreme line, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., mocked Clinton for saying he did not know who tipped him to

the confidential federal inquiry.

"I find it difficult to understand how it is if you're mentioned in a ... criminal referral that you wouldn't remember who told you and when they told you," he told NBC. "Are we to believe that Mr. and Mrs. Clinton weren't advised?"

At first saying he had no idea who told him, Clinton told reporters last week that adviser Bruce Lindsey "probably" informed him about the probe. Aides insist Lindsey passed on only what he heard from reporters, although he at-

tended one of the Treasury Department briefings and was told about another.

D'Amato also challenged Mrs. Clinton, who said through a spokesman that she learned of the inquiry from the media. Noting that Mrs. Clinton's chief of staff, Margaret Williams, attended one of the briefings, D'Amato asked, "What was Maggie Williams doing there?"

Williams was one of three White House aides who testified to a federal grand jury last week about their contacts with Treasury.

Report finds fault with U.S. aid to Russia

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. aid to Russia and other former Soviet states is not getting to the people who need it, and "major problems" plague the management of the \$3 billion assistance program, a congressional report says.

The report being released today by Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., contends that too many decisions on the aid programs are made in Washington with too little attention to conditions in the countries themselves.

"There are major problems in the management of the assistance program," says the report, which will be used by members in making decisions on future aid.

"It does not appear," the report says, "that the average citizen of Moscow, Almaty or Bishkek — let alone the vast majority of citizens who live thousands of miles away from these urban areas — is aware of or affected by international assistance or the reforms that it is supposed to foster."

The report says U.S. advisers should set up residence in the countries where aid is flowing rather than relying on short-term visits.

Some of the most effective U.S. advisers are Peace Corps volunteers, it says, while raising doubts about exchange programs that will send 7,000 students from former Soviet states to study in the United States.

One unidentified U.S. official is quoted as saying many youths will return from their relatively luxuri-

ous life in America to frustration and dissatisfaction with their homelands.

It also cautions against too many short-term goals for U.S. aid, saying "reform is a long-term process."

The report was prepared by staff members of the committee who traveled to Russia, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan in January to follow the trail of U.S. aid authorized by Congress under the Freedom Support Act.

Among problems the report cites:

■ Despite the emphasis on technical rather than material assistance, the size of the programs subjects them to the risk of corruption and favoritism. In Kazakhstan, for example, officials discouraged an ethnic Russian mother from applying for her child to participate in an exchange program by telling her she would be expected to pay and put up several American students in her home.

■ The idea of concentrating resources on certain cities and then holding them up as examples for others carries risks. "It may give the impression that the United States is picking winners and losers," and when the chosen cities take off, resources may not be available to help the others.

■ Designing programs for several countries "has had the effect of holding some projects in one country hostage to the political situation in another."

Mexican rebel gives interview on '60 Minutes'

NEW YORK (AP) — Subcommandante Marcos, the masked Mexican rebel leader, warned his guerrillas will resume their war if the government doesn't keep its promises to clean up elections and help the country's impoverished Indians.

"We don't want more papers. We want schools, we want hospitals. We want land," the ski-masked guerrilla leader said on the CBS program "60 Minutes," broadcast Sunday.

The interview was taped March 5 in rebel-held territory in Mexico's southern state of Chiapas, where the New Year's rebellion occurred. CBS provided a transcript to The Associated Press.

A government peace envoy announced a tentative agreement March 2 on meeting the demands of the rebel Zapatista National Liberation Army. The rebels have been presenting the accord to Indian communities before deciding whether to accept it.

Asked what would happen if a peace treaty should be signed and the government doesn't live up to the terms, Marcos, a non-Indian who spoke English in the inter-

view, said: "This war will continue."

At least 145 people were killed before shooting subsided with the army's Jan. 12 cease-fire.

Marcos reiterated his demands for democratic reforms in Mexico, which has been governed by the Institutional Revolutionary Party since 1929. Critics have accused the party of staying in power through election fraud.

"We want democracy. I mean the right of the people to choose the government and the way of this government," he said.

The Zapatistas said they chose to rebel Jan. 1, when Mexico linked up with the United States and Canada in the North American

Free Trade Agreement, because the pact was an indication of how Indians were overlooked by a focus on industrialized neighbors.

But Marcos appealed for American public support.

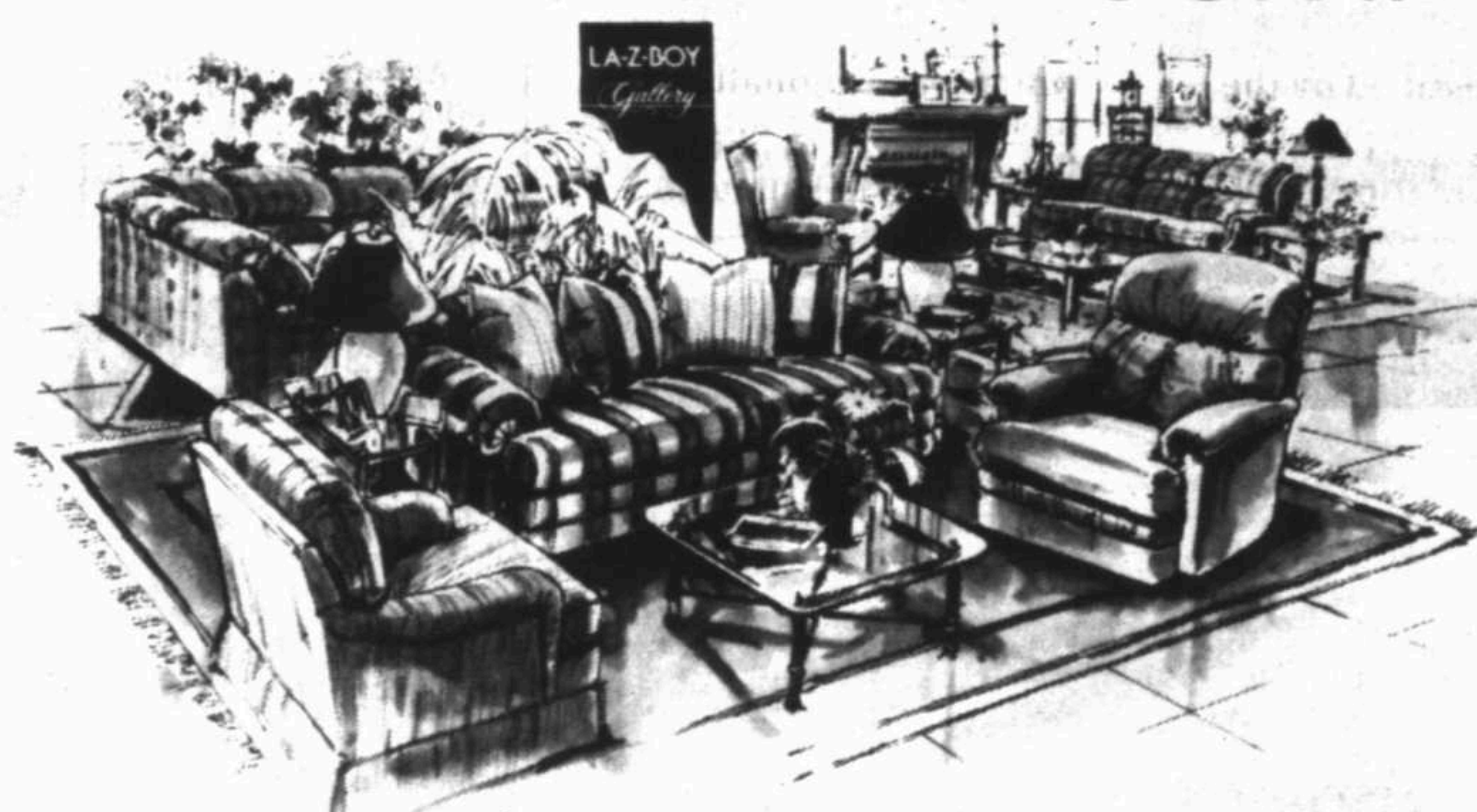
"We are a poor army," he said. "We don't have riches. We don't have cars, even radios. All have we is people."

"We hope your people will understand our fight and you will understand that we are not ... a threat against the people of the United States. Because it is better (to) have a neighbor strong ... with justice, democracy and liberty."

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DEATHS

James Reeves

Memorial services for James "Jim" Reeves will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. Fred Nawarskas officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.



Reeves

A prayer service will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Ellis Funeral Home.

Reeves died Sunday at a local hospital.

He was born Nov. 22, 1919, in Alberta, Canada. He received a degree in agriculture. He worked for Dellwood Lanes for 13 years and had lived in Midland since June 1959. He was a bowler with the Senior Citizen's group.

Survivors include his wife, Irene Reeves of Midland; and two nephews.

Memorials may be made to St. Ann's Alter Society, 206 N. "M" St., Midland, 79701.

James Council

Services for James Council, 81, are pending with Bill C. Thomas Funeral Home.

Council died Sunday at his residence.

J.D. Fortenberry

BIG SPRING — Services for J.D. Fortenberry, 65, of Big Spring will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rafoad Dunagan, of Midway Baptist Church, and the Rev. Greg Taylor, of Miracle Revival Church, officiating. Burial will be in Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral

Home.

Fortenberry died Saturday at a Big Spring hospital.

He was born Aug. 19, 1928, in Slaton and married Helen Saling on June 11, 1955, in Lovington, N.M. He was raised and attended school in Colorado City and moved to Big Spring in December 1966. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He worked at Col-Tex Refinery and then Cosden Refinery. He then worked for 20 years as a business agent of the Local #826 of the International Union of Operating Engineers and then for three years as the manager before retiring. He was a member of Midway Baptist Church and served as vice-president of the Texas Chapter of the AFL-CIO for two years.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Fortenberry of Sand Springs; two sons, Jimmy Fortenberry of Big Spring and Douglas Fortenberry of San Angelo; his father,

Dennis Fortenberry of Loraine; two sisters, Dorothy Oliver of Loraine and Wanda Taulbee of River-ton, Wyo.; two brothers, Burrell Fortenberry of Mayville, Okla., and E.L. Fortenberry of Farmington, N.M.; two grandchildren; and several aunts, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Casa Esperanza, 1005 Yale, Albuquerque, N.M., 87106, Midway Baptist Church or St. Mary's Episcopal School.

Francisco Lopez

Services for Francisco Lopez are pending in Villa Union Coatlita, Mexico. Local arrangements are with Ellis Funeral Home.

Lopez died Sunday.

He was born Jan. 10, 1910, in Villa Union Coatlita, Mexico.

Survivors include two sons, Francisco Lopez Jr. of Waukegan, Ill., and Macedonio Lopez of Chicago, Ill.; a daughter, Ana B. Mar-

tinez of Midland; two sisters, Elise Jaime of Midland and Marina Castillo of San Diego, Calif.; seven grandchildren; a great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Stanley Levitt

Memorial services for Stanley Levitt, 79, of Midland will be at 1 p.m. today at Ellis Funeral Home.

Levitt died Saturday.

Memorials may be made to the Marbridge Foundation, P.O. Box 250, Manchaca, Texas 78652.

Eunice Fox

Services for Eunice Hammond Fox will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mark's United Methodist Church with the Rev. Steve Stephens officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Fox died Sunday at a local hospital.

She was born Dec. 20, 1909, in Roosevelt, Ark. She married Arnold Fox in 1930. She attended Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, Ark. She lived in North Little Rock, Ark., for 40 years and then moved to Midland in 1986.

She attended St. Mark's United Methodist Church and was a member of the Dorcas Sunday school class.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arnold Fox, in July 1987, and by three brothers, Bob Hammond, Clarence Hammond and Barney Hammond.

Survivors include a daughter, Fern Harris of Midland; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Dorcas Sunday school class at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 1701 N. Main St., Midland, 79701.

Texas judge warns of fines, jail time for parents of truant students

ABILENE — Truant officer Darrin Cox and Judge Chuck Griffin say they have heard some creative excuses about why a young person didn't make it to school.

In Abilene, Cox and Griffin finally stopped listening to excuses — broken alarms, stalled cars, missed buses, and maladies ranging from bleeding ulcers to head lice.

Now Cox offers parents a choice: get your children to class or come to court.

Suddenly, the excuses are disappearing. The children cease being repeat offenders.

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Cox is convinced parents are learning that the skipping must stop, thanks to the help of a judge who joined with him in deciding that enough is enough.

During this school year, Cox has prosecuted 11 cases of thwarting the compulsory school attendance law in Griffin's justice court, and his record is unblemished.

Griffin has responded with fines of \$300 to \$675. One middle schooler's mother served her fine in the county jail at \$50

per day on three successive weekends.

"You tell them every time you go to their home that this is going to happen," Cox said. "It never sinks in until the judge says, 'Guilty,' and fines them \$500 payable in 10 days. Their mouths drop open. They're like me, I don't know how I'd come up with \$500 in 10 days."

Cox and the district's administration have praised Griffin's unwavering stance.

"I'm serious," the judge said. "This is part of parenthood. It's not giving a kid a fair shake if you don't make them go to school."

Since his hiring in September as Abilene's southside attendance officer, Cox has cracked down on absent students by using provisions in the law that make parents legally responsible for their children's attendance.

Last year, filing court complaints was a rarely used last resort. Although the district's truant officers often threatened parents with legal action, only three were summoned to court.

Assistant Superintendent Garnie Hatch said past officers have preferred to work

with parents without resorting to litigation.

However, after witnessing the courts' support and the subsequent success in ending absences, Hatch vowed the officers will pursue parental prosecution more persistently.

"Darrin is doing an excellent job on this and is getting results," Hatch told the Abilene Reporter-News. "We're putting more emphasis in this area and will continue to do so. We're trying to be better there."

POLICE REPORTS

Saturday
Vandalism: A vandalism at 2409 College Ave. was reported at 6:42 p.m.

Burglary of a Residence: A bicycle, valued at \$144, was reported stolen from 2206 Shell Ave. at 10:09 p.m. Entry was gained through an unlocked garage door.

Burglary of a Residence: An attempted burglary at 4201 N. Garfield St., No. 139, was reported at 10:41 p.m.

Sunday
Burglary of a Vehicle: John Story reported two suitcases and a purse taken from a Chevrolet truck at 4710 Billingsley Blvd. at 12:05 a.m. A suitcase later was found in a dumpster.

Burglary of a Vehicle: Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer Dr., reported a speaker, valued at \$100, taken from a vehicle at 1:43 a.m. Entry was gained through the passenger side back window.

Vandalism: Kathy Norwood of 2412 Gulf Ave. reported three juveniles tearing up a political sign and banging on windows in the area at 12:20 a.m.

Theft: Eva Gentry reported a bed stolen and criminal mischief done to a residence at 2310 N. Main St. at 10:42 a.m.

Vandalism: Nix Trading Post, 601 E. Illinois Ave., reported vandalism done to a west window of the business at 1:51 p.m.

Thousands pack Austin for music conference

AUSTIN (AP) — It's been weeks since anyone has been able to reserve a room in a downtown Austin hotel for this coming week. Coffee houses have doubled their stock.

Downtown clothing stores, antique shops and restaurants have doubled their staffs. Major rental car companies are out of cars.

Bars are stockpiling kegs of beer.

Rehearsal rooms are booked solid and music stores expect such emergencies as blown-out amplifiers to keep them busy this week.

It's showtime again. Thousands of musicians, record executives, journalists and music fans are coming to Austin this week for the South by Southwest Music and Media Conference. Beginning Wednesday, they'll listen

to bands, attend a few panel discussions and listen to more bands.

More than 4,000 music lovers are expected to register for this year's four-day festival — the second-largest event of its kind in the country. Only New York's New Music Seminar is bigger.

SXSW participants will spend their nights shuffling among the 500 music acts at 28 Austin venues and their days picking from dozens of panel discussions and workshops at the Austin Convention Center.

The festivities kick off with Wednesday night's Austin Music Awards show at Palmer Auditorium. The conference itself runs Thursday through Sunday.

Along the way, visitors will pump \$4.5 million into the econo-

my, according to Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau estimates of hotel, transportation, food and other expenditures.

SXSW is one of the biggest events of the year for many hotels, restaurants, liquor distributors, and clothing and music stores. From the looks of it, this year will be no exception.

Downtown hotels including the Driskill, Four Seasons, Hyatt Regency Austin, Sheraton Austin and Marriott at the Capitol are sold out, mostly with SXSW guests.

Since band showcases are concentrated on Sixth Street and in the warehouse district, centrally located businesses are the first to cash in, but spending isn't limited to downtown.

As the conference has grown, so

has the number of record label executives attending to promote artists, scout new talent and schmooze. The influx of expense accounts has spread the wealth to pricier locales.

In addition to dollars changing hands directly, SXSW promotes business in Austin down the line, said Bob Meyers, music liaison for the city of Austin.

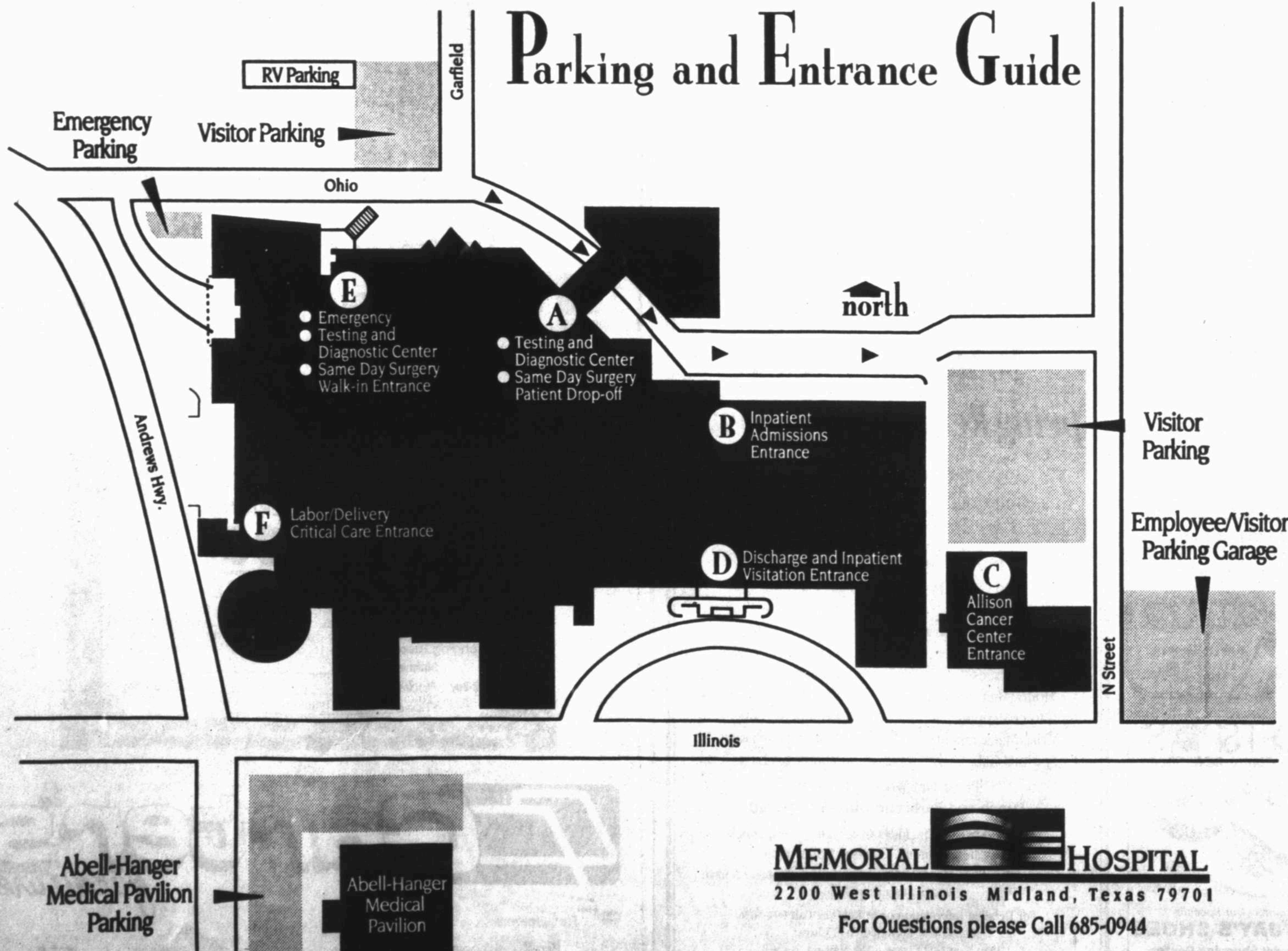
"It's a chance for people in the music industry who have never seen Austin to learn what we have here," he said. "Once they see it, they realize Austin is more than a couple of people who make records or a few clubs on Sixth Street."

"It makes them want to come back," he said.

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Ever wonder why you're not advancing as quickly as you think you should at work?

A study in the Academy of Management Journal suggests that even when women rise as fast as male colleagues through the corporate ranks, they have less chance to demonstrate abilities that would gain them top company jobs.

Tasks such as making high-stakes decisions, handling disparate responsibilities, and dealing with pressures from outside the organization are more often than not given to men, the study says.

These missed chances help account for the "glass ceiling," an apparent barrier to women's advancement to the highest level of organizations, the research involving 500 corporate managers shows.

"It appears women haven't had the same responsibilities as men in similar jobs," the study says. "Being able to handle these types of challenges becomes more important at higher organizational levels. Thus, women may be eliminated from a candidate pool because they have not had the opportunity to show what they can do when faced with these kinds of challenges."

Big bucks abroad

Looking for a big pay raise? You'll have to travel around the world to see one. The Pacific Rim leads the industrialized world in projected salary increases, according to a recent survey by Hewitt Associates of more than 4,000 employers in 19 countries.

The consulting firm says executives in Hong Kong and Thailand can expect pay hikes of around 11.5 percent this year. Executives in Malaysia can expect raises of 8.5 percent and in Singapore 7 percent.

The countries with the lowest executive pay increases are projected to be Canada, with a 2.5 percent rise, and Switzerland, with 2.6 percent. U.S. executives can expect a 4.4 percent increase.

Eat hearty

Nutrition experts encourage consumers to eat low-fat, healthful foods, but meat dishes remain the most popular choices on restaurant menus.

A survey of restaurateurs by Thomas Food Industry Register, a trade publication, found the favored entrees are meat and poultry, served 44 percent of the time.

Pasta was second at 33 percent, followed by vegetarian dishes, 10 percent, fish, 9 percent, and salad at 4 percent. But meat eaters are careful about what they eat. The survey found the most popular meat entree was chicken, followed by beef, turkey, pork, veal and lamb.

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High earners bear brunt of new rates

By Robert D. Hershey Jr.
N.Y. Times News Service

Whether you consider it soaking the rich or sharing the burden, the tax law of 1993 is taking a much bigger bite out of the wealthy.

The top tax rung has risen to almost 40 percent, the highest level since passage of the 1986 overhaul.

Although people with high incomes will be hit the hardest in April, others will pay more as well. Various provisions of the law affect Social Security recipients and upper-middle-income families, among others.

While the number of people affected appears to be larger than has been asserted by the Clinton administration, probably fewer people will be hit than think they will be.

According to a Gallup poll of 1,003 adults in August, 28 percent said they expected to pay "a lot more" taxes, and 47 percent thought they would pay "a little more."

With the filing deadline just weeks away, the wealthy, at least, are expressing little surprise, but considerable chagrin, as they contemplate the checks they will soon write, accountants say.

"Now they are facing the realization that they have a substantial tax liability due in April," said David M. Bradt Jr., a partner in charge of the individual services practice at Arthur Andersen & Co.

While the top bracket for 1993 has jumped to 36 percent from 31 percent — a 10 percent surcharge brings the rate to 39.6 on taxable income of more than \$250,000 — little of the additional tax has been paid in advance because withholding tables were not adjusted until this year.

The law, called the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1993, does provide for spreading the increase over three years without interest. But the wealthy may find little comfort in this peace offer by the administration, considering that the increase in many cases will amount to tens of thousands of dollars.

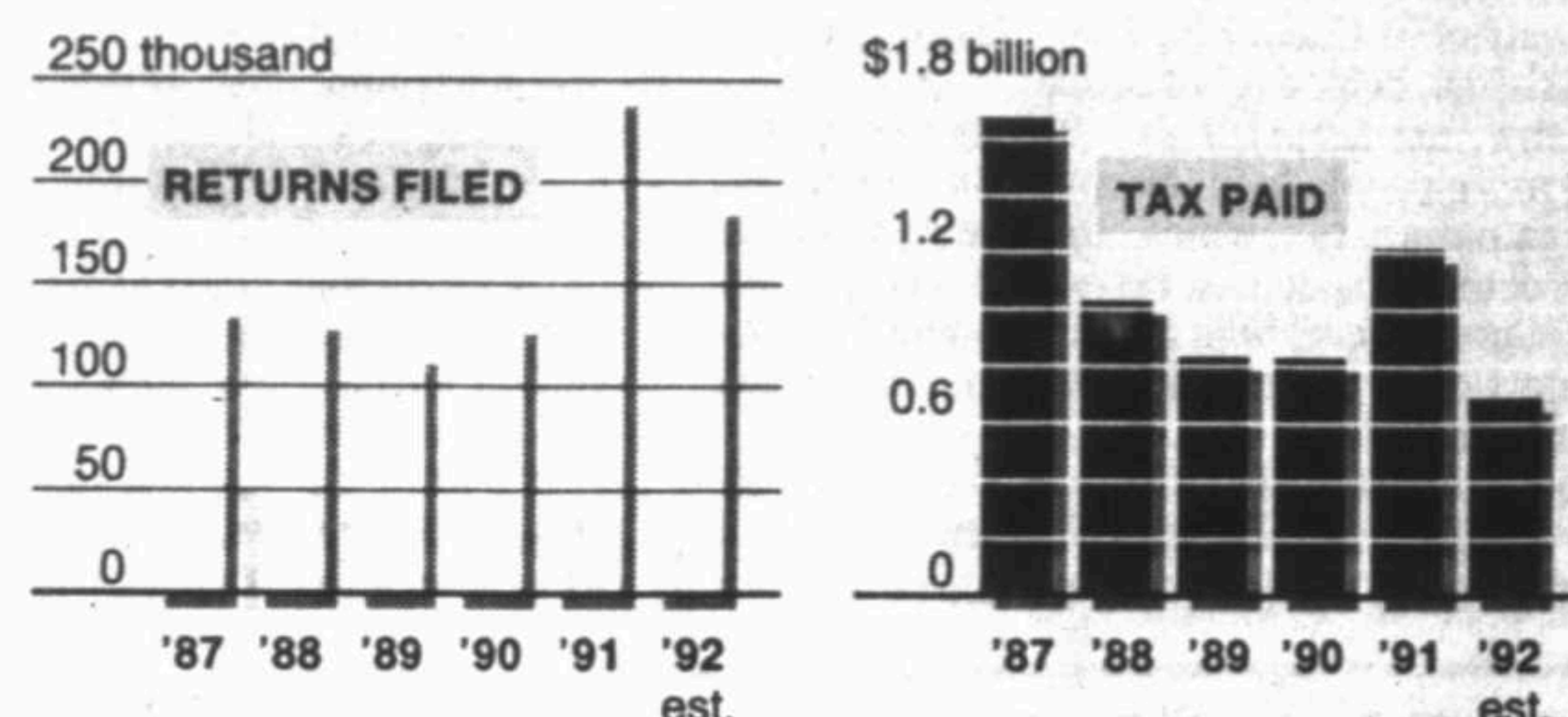
"To say they're not surprised is not the same thing as to say they are happy," said Clint Stretch, director of tax legislative affairs at the accounting firm Deloitte & Touche.

Although the Clinton administration asserts that fewer than 2 percent of taxpayers will be in the new brackets, which kick in at \$115,000 of taxable in-

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Paying the Alternative Minimum

The total number of tax returns subject to the alternative minimum tax and the revenue collected from the tax. Considerably fewer than 1 percent of all returns filed for 1992 were subject to the tax, according to I.R.S. estimates.



You may be subject to the alternative minimum tax if...

- ▶ You live in a state with high income taxes, like New York or California.
- ▶ You own real estate on which you have claimed accelerated depreciation.
- ▶ You have exercised incentive stock options.
- ▶ You have large capital gains.
- ▶ You have refinanced your house for more than you borrowed under your original mortgage.

Source: Internal Revenue Service

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Portable technology turns lobbies, cars into virtual offices

By Lisa Genasci
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — When he packed his personal effects in a box and took the photographs of his wife and two young sons from the desk, Ken Feldman looked like another casualty of corporate America's job-slashing austerity.

He wasn't. The marketing specialist at International Business Machines Corp. was trading his office for a laptop computer, cellular phone and control over his work schedule.

Feldman is one of 800 IBM employees merged from five locations in New Jersey and New York into a Spartan facility in suburban Cranford, N.J., a remade warehouse with generic desks. The idea is that marketing and service employees come in only when necessary, a pit stop for IBM's road warriors.

"We wanted our employees to spend more time with clients," says Duke Mitchell, general manager for IBM in New Jersey.

Companies across America are riding the latest trend in employee management: eliminating office space and arming workers with portable technology that can turn anywhere from a car seat to a hotel lobby into a virtual office.

"It's a whole new way of working and thinking," says Michael Bell, director of corporate real estate for The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. "We're seeing the office change from a place to come to work to a place to convene."

The research firm Link Resources Corp. says about 41 million Americans, or 33 percent of employed adults, work from home, up from 27 million, or 22 percent, in 1989. Most, however, are independent contractors, freelancers and entrepreneurs who work from home by choice.

Now, it is company executives who are seeing the benefits and initiating or encouraging the move away from traditional offices. Link says the number of so-called "telecommuters," was 7.6 million last year, 15 percent higher than the previous year.

Among those signing up are units of IBM, Ernst & Young, Arthur Andersen & Co., American Telephone & Telegraph Corp., General Electric Co. and Hewlett-Packard Co.

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SMART MONEY

By Leonard Sloane
N.Y. Times News Service

Dependent care benefits

Q: Both my spouse and I are eligible for dependent care benefits, up to \$5,000, through our employer-sponsored flexible spending account. Should I take the full \$5,000 dependent care reduction or should my spouse?

— Edward Imperati, Annandale, Va.

A: Through a dependent care flexible spending account, a family can be reimbursed for up to \$5,000 a year for expenses in caring for an eligible dependent.

To participate, you agree to have your salary reduced by a fixed amount, which also lowers the amount of income and Social Security taxes you have to pay.

By reducing your salary, you may also receive slightly lower Social Security benefits when you retire. The reason is that these benefits are based on your

career average earnings.

"In almost all cases, the income tax advantages of a flexible spending account outweigh reduced Social Security benefits," said Susan Crown, a principal of William M. Mercer Inc., a benefits consulting firm. "For Social Security benefit purposes, the lower a person's salary, the less he or she should reduce it."

Therefore, it is probably better for the person with the higher salary to take the full \$5,000 salary reduction.

Dividend reinvestment

Q: I've heard about dividend reinvestment plans. What are the restrictions on them?

— Fiorella Curto, Islandia, N.Y.

A: Dividend reinvestment plans, or DRIPs, let investors buy stock directly from a company, generally avoiding brokerage commissions. Dividends are reinvested automatically.

But the plans have some restrictions. Typically, you have to buy at least one share through a broker and have it registered in your name, and you must

keep track of the amount of your reinvested dividends and the cost basis of your purchases.

"When investing in DRIPs, you lose the ability to transact a stock purchase with the speed that is possible through a broker," said Charles Carlson, editor of the DRIP Investor newsletter. "Most DRIPs buy shares only once a month and you must have your money to the plan usually five days prior to the investment date."

Tax rates on IRAs

Q: When I start to draw on my IRA, do I pay the capital gains rate or the ordinary income tax rate on the long-term capital gains reinvested?

— Henry Urdang, New Rochelle, N.Y.

A: All distributions from an individual retirement account, other than those treated as a return of capital, are taxed as ordinary income, even though part may represent capital gains on investments. The rationale is that the IRA account has been allowed to grow on a tax-deferred basis.

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TAXES: Northeasterners may be hardest hit by changes

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come for single filers and at \$140,000 for joint filers, some people suspect the proportion is significantly higher, perhaps two or three times the official estimate.

The administration's figure, said William Dunkelberg, dean of the business school at Temple University, is based on a count taken when the economy was at a low point, meaning the number of big earners was lower.

"You get a lot of income volatility up in those ranges," Dunkelberg said.

The tax hit will be heaviest in the Northeast, where high-income earners are concentrated. According to a tabulation by Deloitte & Touche, Connecticut's share of returns with adjusted gross incomes of more than \$200,000 was nearly twice the national average in 1991. The District of Columbia, New Jersey and New York ranked just behind Connecticut.

The new law, not surprisingly, also adds complexity, forcing more people to make computations for the alternative minimum tax, which has been raised from a flat 24 percent to graduated rates of 26 percent and 28 percent. Connecticut, which finished phasing in a state income tax in 1992, added its own alternative minimum tax last year.

"One executive feeling the effects of the federal government's decision to reverse the principles of its 1986 tax code overhaul — lower rates, but fewer items

exempted from taxation — is George J. Wile, head of the Planet Products Corporation, a Cincinnati maker of packaging machinery.

"It's raised my taxes enormously," Wile said. His tax bracket rose in one swoop to 39.6 percent from 31 percent, costing him \$50,000 to \$60,000 a year.

And for 1994 the 1.45 percent Medicare tax will be applied to all his earned income, not just to the first \$135,000, as it was in 1993.

But Wile, who kept an eye on the tax legislation and, of course, has professional advisers, was not shocked when he learned of his liability.

Those least aware of the cut-off points tend to be of less exalted means, particularly households with two people who earn respectable incomes. With 75 percent of Americans expecting to have been caught by last year's legislation, some will get a pleasant surprise this tax season.

"A lot of people were expecting to be hit who either are not feeling any impact at all or not as much as they expected," said Doris Cook Ross, a principal in Ross, Langan & McKendree, a firm in the prosperous Washington suburb of McLean, Va.

She estimated that 40 percent of her firm's clients, who generally have \$100,000 to \$500,000 in income, are getting better news than they expected.

M. Randy Wright, a Texas accountant, paid close attention to the tax law that was enacted in August and responded promptly. Within weeks, he and his wife, director of corporate finance for Southwest Air-

lines, decided against paying a contractor an estimated \$5,000 to paint their suburban ranch house.

"We canceled with him and did it ourselves," said Wright, who is head of the tax department in the Dallas office of Grant Thornton. "That was a pretty good way to recoup" the extra tax bite, he added.

While the higher tax rates are retroactive to the beginning of 1993, many other changes in last year's law like the removal of the cap for Medicare tax, take effect this year.

William J. Caldwell, associate tax partner in the Rockville, Md., office of Bond Beebe, points to a large pocket of distress among one lower-income group: Social Security recipients. In 1993, no more than 50 percent of Social Security benefits could be taxed, but some recipients will have 85 percent of their benefits taxed in 1994.

"That really caught them off guard," Caldwell said. "They had seen this as a tax on the wealthy." Many retired people complain that their income has already dwindled in recent years as interest rates on investments have declined.

Also in 1994, deductions for club dues disappear, deductions for business meals and entertainment drop to 50 percent from 80 percent, moving and travel deductions are less generous, charitable deductions need stronger documentation, the withholding rate on bonuses jumps to 28 percent from 20 percent and the amount of compensation on which contributions to qualified retirement plans can be made is slashed to

\$150,000 from \$235,840.

Yet there are a few bright spots in the law — provided that taxpayers are willing to file amended returns for 1992 to claim breaks that have been restored. The most notable are for gifts of appreciated personal property, a 25 percent deduction for health insurance by the self-employed and tax-free treatment of education expenses paid by employers.

The real griping from the wealthy about the tax increase may come from people who choose to pay in three installments. They will find themselves paying 1993 taxes in 1995 and in (can you believe it?) the Presidential election year of 1996.

"There are going to be people paying 1993 taxes in 1996, when it will be still fresh in their minds," said Benjamin D. Patton, president of Patton & Erskine, a small accounting firm in northern Virginia.

Almost as inevitable as taxes is gallows humor by taxpayers. This year, country clubs and other haunts of the rich will no doubt echo with two questions: Which president raised taxes before he was inaugurated? And, if there can be a retroactive tax increase, why can't there be retroactive elections?

Both questions will undoubtedly be answered with a snort of derision about President Clinton, who, as Candidate Clinton, promised to cut taxes.

INVESTORS' GUIDE

Receiving dividends on street-name accounts

By Bill Doyle

Q: At the time I purchased stock, I must have agreed to have the brokerage firm hold my certificates in "street name." I do get monthly statements, but I have not received any dividend checks. I know the company in which I bought stock pays regular quarterly dividends. Shouldn't I receive those dividend checks?



Doyle

A: Your dividend checks won't be sent to you by that company, which pays dividends on your shares to the brokerage firm holding your stock. When you get those dividends, they will come to you from the brokerage.

Your street-name shares are registered in the name of the brokerage, which is the "owner of record" and your "nominee." You are the "beneficial owner" — the real owner.

When a dividend is paid on your shares, the brokerage credits that money to your account. And it should show up as a credit balance on your next monthly statement. If you want that money sent to you immediately, you should leave standing orders to that effect at the brokerage.

Be forewarned that some brokerages are painfully slow parting with customers' money. If you run into that problem, you might need to keep reminding your broker that you want to receive the cash in your account.

Q: Is there a way I can get out of a street-name situation with my broker? Would it cost me a fee to do so?

A: You can end a street-name arrangement by "ordering out" your securities. Instruct your broker to have your securities registered in your name and the certificates delivered to you.

When they arrive, place them in a safe-deposit box or other secure place. The need to find a safe storage place is one of the problems avoided by having a

street-name account.

The brokerage firm might charge for terminating the street-name account and levy additional costs for delivering the certificates. As the brokerage fraternity steps up its campaign to promote street-name accounts, more and more brokerages are laying on fees for registering securities in customers' names and delivering certificates.

Q: Our broker is a fine man and, as far as I know, his firm is honest — which makes it different from the questionable brokerages we have read about.

Enclosed is a brochure from the broker citing the benefits of having a street-name account. We have been approached numerous times about this. We do not plan to do it. All of our lives, we have insisted on having both our names on everything we own.

By continuing to do things "our way," what adverse things could happen, other than distant relatives creeping from the woodwork and trying to claim our assets?

A: Assuming you have your affairs in order, you needn't worry about that unhappy consequence. When securities and other assets are registered in two names, in either joint ownership or co-ownership form, the survivor becomes the sole owner when one of you leaves this vale of tears. After that, a properly drawn will assures assets go where intended.

But you should be aware that street-name accounts do provide a number of advantages, including safety, faster settlement of purchase and sale transactions, simplified record-keeping and easier tax reporting.

Nonetheless, if you are happy with your present arrangement, you do not have to sign up for a street-name account. Many investors — especially older folks — feel the same way you do. They can't be forced to give up their certificates.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but is able only to respond through the column.

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VIRTUAL: Technology allows flexibility, control

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Pioneers in the field report an improvement in employee productivity of between 15 percent and 20 percent and a savings in real estate costs of between 25 percent and 40 percent, Bell says.

In a time of corporate cost-cutting and emphasis on productivity and global competitiveness, that's hard to ignore.

In addition, employees gain flexibility and more control over their work and lives. Information workers, writers and consultants can gain uninterrupted peace and quiet to do their best. Sales and marketing employees are freed to spend more time with clients.

Still, there are worrisome drawbacks.

Employees forced to leave offices often feel evicted and homeless. Others worry about their career status and miss the informal networking around the office watercooler.

The demise of the traditional office poses vaguer but potentially more troublesome questions about the gray area evolving between work and home life. When does working at home become an invasion of privacy? How do employees guard against employee hooky-

playing? How do employees guard against overwork?

Denise Rousseau, a professor of organizational behavior at Northwestern University's J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management, said the notion underlying these questions is that "work takes place in no place in particular but any place."

Despite the cautionary notes, the acceptability of working anywhere has accelerated among employers. One reason is the law.

The Clean Air Act of 1990 requires companies with more than 100 employees in ten polluted areas to reduce solo driving among their employees. Telecommuters count as people who don't drive to work.

Nature also has played a role. Just in the past few months, for example, the earthquake in Los Angeles and the harsh winter storms on the East Coast have forced companies to provide employees with laptops and other technology to avoid long, hazardous commutes.

Furthermore, many companies are realizing telecommuting allows them to hire the best talent regardless of location, says Abhijeet Rane, a research analyst at Link.

Finally, the technology and cost barriers that once made telecommuting prohibitive are disappearing, with the advent of accessible wireless and portable technology, Rane says.

Smaller companies such as Verifone, which sells technology that authorizes credit card purchases, and the advertising agency Chiat-Day, which created the Energizer bunny, were among the first to implement telecommuting.

Now, larger companies are following.

IBM equipped its marketing and service staff with laptops and cellular phones and in late February opened its New Jersey facility, a renovated warehouse with no partitions.

When workers want office space, they walk into a kiosk near the entrance, punch in a number and a computer assigns them a desk, where their phone calls and computer files are automatically switched.

Feldman, 43, a 20-year IBM vet-

eran, says he had mixed feelings when asked to vacate his desk in January.

"I felt displaced. I had to pack up everything into boxes. The only other time you have to do that is when you are laid off or fired," Feldman says.

But with an office established at home and more time in the morning with his young sons and wife, Feldman says he is acclimating. The challenges now are mostly in learning the new technology, he says.

Ernst & Young's northeastern operations moved from traditional offices to the "hoteling" concept in July last year, with flexibility built into its newly developed New York City facility for about 250 employees.

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Many credit cards now offer goodies, from frequent-flyer miles to discounts on cars and candy bars. Tempting as they may be, these cards are not always great deals.

That's because the cards with the perks often carry higher interest rates than those without. Some people, of course, pay their bills every month and lap up the bonuses. But most people — even those who say they pay their bills — occasionally borrow money on their cards.

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Official: Texas releases fewer prisoners on parole

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Sensitive to protests from crime victims and the public's perception of prisons with revolving doors, Texas is paroling fewer violent criminals, officials say.

Two years ago, the parole board was approving parole for inmates about 80 percent of the time, said Danny Downs, a board member since 1990. That figure has dropped to about 27 percent, he said.

"I think the main reason for that is the board members are more in tune with what the community wants," Downs told the San Antonio Express-News.

Sometimes, community pressure comes from a handful of determined victims who successfully launch letter-writing protest campaigns to keep prisoners locked up.

"A protest is enough to sway a (parole) vote one way or the other," he said.

However, such letters don't come very often.

In the past six months, an average of 21 victims offered input to the parole board each month out of the hundreds of cases reviewed for parole, according to the Texas Criminal Justice Department Pardons and Paroles Division in Austin.

But victims who have launched successful protests say they feel a degree of satisfaction.

"It gives you a sense of being able to take control or guide something," said Courtenay Tyler Tanner, whose father was killed in 1973 by drifter Fred

Durrough.

Durrough, who has been denied parole five times, was convicted of killing 56-year-old retired Air Force Col. Henry Tyler Jr. during an attempted burglary at Tyler's Olmos Park home.

Ms. Tanner, who now lives in Richardson, is a seasoned veteran of parole protests — even Durrough credits her with preventing his release.

While life sentences routinely can mean 15 years or less, Durrough, 52, already has served 20 years of his life term.

"If he got out, I am thoroughly convinced he'd put some other family what we've been through," Ms. Tanner said. "I'm not going to let that happen."

In child abuse cases, victims' rights groups or child advocacy groups often take the place of the family, said Bonnie Blayney of Save Our Children from Abuse and Neglect.

"So many of these cases do not have someone listed to be notified (about possible parole) so we are listed on a number of the children who have passed away because their families won't do it," Ms. Blayney said.

Downs said he gives letters from victims and their families the most weight. But letters from child advocacy groups, law enforcement agencies and the like also influence his decision.

Report: Judges withhold jury information from public

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas judges are taking advantage of new powers that allow them to keep more public information, particularly about jurors, secret, the Houston Chronicle reported Sunday.

A new law that went into effect last September is designed to protect jurors from retaliation or harassment by those they convict.

But legal scholars and lawyers say the law is a ploy to keep more information about judicial proceedings from public view.

"There is great public interest in watching the justice system operate," said Thomas Leatherbury, a lawyer and president of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas. "We are entitled, as taxpayers, to see how our trials work, especially in Texas where we elect our judges. There is a basic distrust of the quality of justice if they are not public."

Even the law's author, state Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, says his measure wasn't designed to close courtrooms to public scrutiny.

"The object of the bill was not to provide for anonymous juries," Brown said. "We didn't specify names (should be kept secret) for that reason. Of course, no one cares now what the intent was."

The law states that addresses, phone numbers and "other personal information" — widely interpreted to include names — may not be made public unless a news organization shows "good cause" for it to be open.

With the new law in hand, judges in some of the state's highest pro-

file cases have barred information about jurors.

Some recent examples:

■ In the Fort Worth ethics trial of U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, state District Judge John F. Onion Jr. barred cameras from the courtroom and ruled that prospective jurors' names, other information about them and the 15-page questionnaires they filled out would remain secret.

■ State District Judge Brady G. Elliott of Houston sealed personal information about jurors in the murder trial of Roger Leroy "Animal" DeGarmo at the jurors' request. In an earlier trial, DeGarmo had threatened to kill jurors who did not sentence him to death. The Houston Chronicle unsuccessfully sought information on the jurors in pursuit of a story on the aftermath of the lengthy trial.

■ Judge Robert Jones, who presided over the capital murder trial of Kerry Max Cook in Georgetown, denied motions from several newspapers to obtain information about jurors, although the newspapers said they would respect jurors' wishes if they did not want to be quoted. The Court of Criminal Appeals upheld Jones' ruling.

■ In the Athens trial of Lorenzo Colston, convicted of assaulting a Department of Public Safety trooper, state District Judge Jack Holland barred lawyers from talking to the media. A deputy court clerk refused a Chronicle request to see a jury list.

"The existence of that statute is responsible for a great deal of this (series of rulings)," said University of Texas criminal law professor

Robert Dawson. "Before, a judge would have to go out on a limb to justify such a ruling. Now, he doesn't have to."

Reporters often interview jurors after a high-profile case for insights on how a verdict was decided. Identifying information about the 12 jurors is traditionally part of the public record.

As a rule, judges across the country usually keep jurors' identities secret only if the jury was in danger of retaliation, such as in organized crime or urban gang trials.

Several experts say the trend for less information is retaliation against aggressive media coverage that gives readers and viewers the first chance at a verdict without having to listen to the evidence.

Some believe more people will serve on juries if they can be assured they won't be part of the story.

But others say Texas courtrooms will become open to challenge because of the constitutional right to a public trial. They argue if trial participants adhered to the safeguards already in place, restrictions against trial publicity would be unnecessary.

"The best guarantee of a fair trial is publicity," said Dick DeGuerin, one of the state's top criminal defense attorneys. "Any trend toward secret trials I'm against in principle."

But the secrecy rulings go beyond anonymous juries. More often, judges are ordering lawyers to keep their comments in the courtroom, and not try their cases

in the press.

The Texas Bar Association is considering new self-policing procedures. A proposal being sent to all lawyers in the state next month would prohibit attorneys from making any public comments that would "materially prejudice" their case.

"So this means I can't tell a reporter I think my client is innocent?" asked Huntsville lawyer John Wright, who has represented death row inmates.

"A lot of this concern would go away if lawyers did their jobs better," he said.

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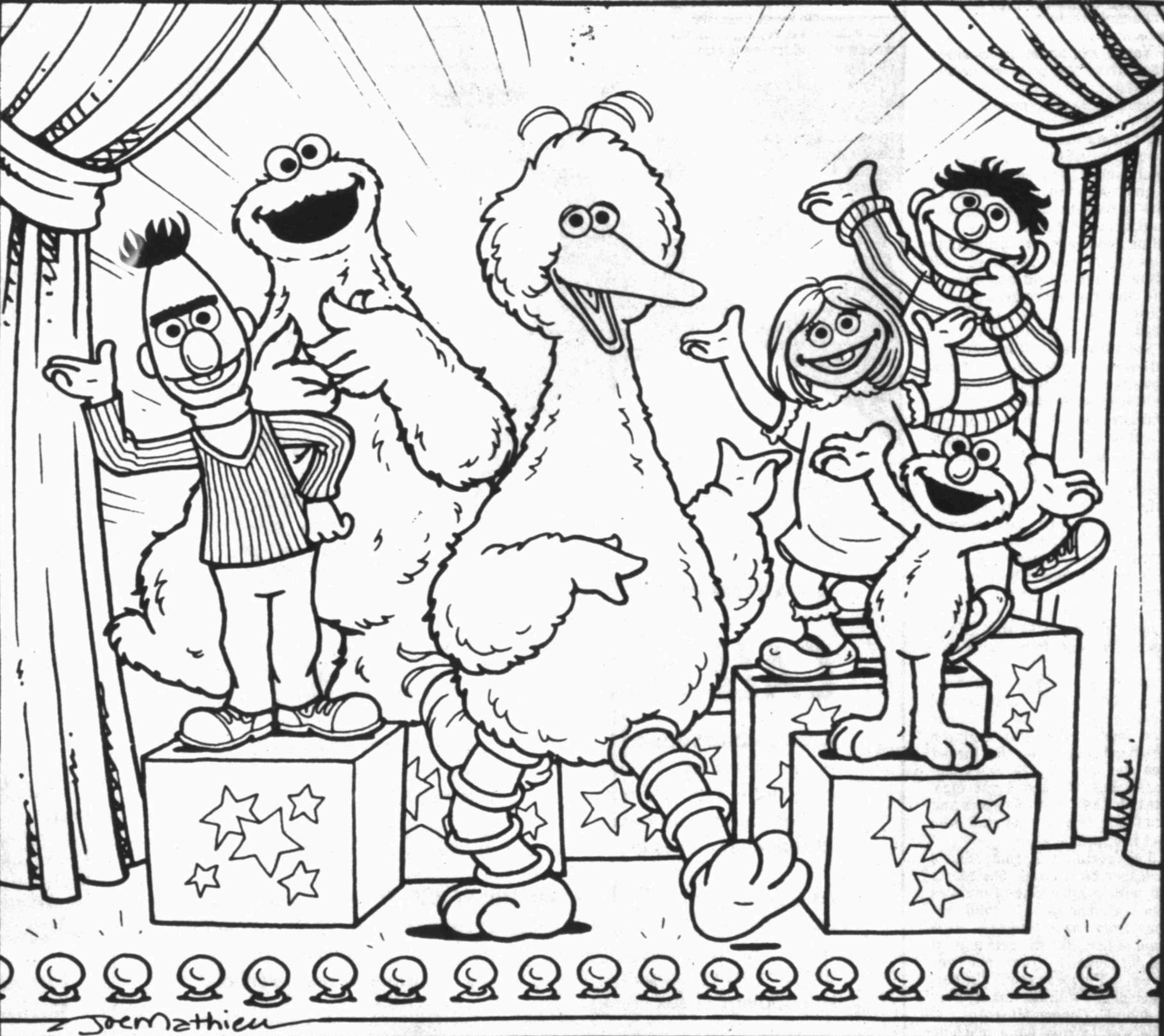
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DEAR ABBY

Reader sets record straight on snub of Marian Anderson

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: This refers to a letter published in your column in regard to the time Marian Anderson was refused the use of Constitution Hall for a concert in Washington, D.C. Your writer from Raleigh, N.C., was wrong in stating that Miss Anderson was denied use of the hall because it had already been booked for the night of the concert.



Van Buren

That story was untrue and was cooked up some time following the incident. Neither Miss Anderson nor Sol Hurok, her manager, was offered the auditorium until the voice of the public was heard — including Eleanor Roosevelt, who resigned from the DAR because of it. I was working in Washington, D.C., at the time and was aware of the whole episode.

Harold Ickes, who was secretary of the interior under Franklin Roosevelt, offered Marian Anderson the Lincoln Memorial site for her concert, which she performed free of charge. (I attended that concert.) Obviously, Eleanor Roosevelt would not have resigned from the DAR if this incident had not occurred.

DEAR MR. FRIEDMAN: Evidence received. Evidence believed. Thank you.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are raising two fine boys, ages 8 and 11. We have tried to instill the good manners in them that our parents instilled in us. I read your column with interest, especially letters regarding thank-you notes and courtesy to others. However, you failed to mention that older people should be courteous to our youth.

My boys know that they are expected to open doors and allow

adults to enter first; however, I can't tell you how many times my sons have been totally ignored while extending this courtesy.

I have even seen adults run right into children with a grocery cart, while looking right at them and never saying a word! This especially angers my older son. Sometimes I get the feeling that grown-ups think it isn't necessary to apologize to "kids." Any comments? — DISAPPOINTED IN THE SOUTHEAST

DEAR DISAPPOINTED: A courtesy extended should not be ignored — it takes only a moment to acknowledge courtesy with a smile, a nod or a thank-you.

If someone bumped your child with a grocery cart and did not bother to apologize, that person was rude. I don't blame your son for being miffed. Please ask him not to give up on all adults because a few have been rude.

DEAR ABBY: I am nearing retirement age and lost my wife a few years ago. A nice-looking widow caught my eye. I asked a mutual friend to introduce us, and he said, "I think she's about 10 years older than you." If she is, she certainly doesn't look that old, nor does she act it.

When I asked my children what they thought of the idea, they said, "Go for it, Pop — age doesn't mean a thing these days."

What do you think, Abby? — YOUNG AT HEART

DEAR YOUNG AT HEART: With children as smart as yours, you don't need any advice from "Dear Abby."

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University credits departing director with transforming museum

By Vivienne Heines

Associated Press

KINGSVILLE — Every bit of information that comes Jimmie Ruth Picquet's way — be it about antique guns, bird migration, rocks and fossils or turn-of-the-century apparel — has a place and a purpose, she says.

That attitude — and the uses to which such information has been put — is best demonstrated on the shelves, walls and exhibits of the museum she is credited with transforming from a ramshackle closet to a highly respected state institution. Her 22-year leadership of the John E. Connor Museum at Texas A&M University-Kingsville will come to an end this month. And with it, officials and residents say, will be the end of an era for the museum.

"It's just not possible to overestimate her effectiveness," said William J. Connor, a member of the museum Board of Directors. The museum is named after his father. "She's really made it. Before her, nobody really knew how to run a museum or what a museum ought to do."

When Picquet took over as director of the museum in 1972, the museum was in a leaky building behind Manning Hall with an annual budget of \$5,000. Today it has its own building, with an adjoining dormitory for storage space, and an annual budget of \$200,000. There is a full-time staff of six, thousands of volunteer workers and a visitor list of 18,000 people each year.

"I don't know whether I get mad or glad when people come in and say, 'This is a lot nicer than I thought it would be.' I know it's a small building and a small town," Picquet said. "But my goal was always to have the finest small museum we could have."

Rick Wiedenmann, collections manager for the museum, said Picquet's reputation and that of the museum have grown enormously during the past two decades.

"She's been around for 22 years and everyone in the state of Texas knows her. And she's trained half the collectors in the state," Wiedenmann said. "It was basically a collection of stuff until Jimmie came along. She turned it into a museum."

However, Picquet deflects some of the credit for the museum's success to those who have worked with her through the years.

"The Connor Museum is not just my baby. If it hadn't been for the really great start that Mr. Connor gave the collection, all the great volunteers and the Friends of the Museum, we wouldn't be where we are today," she said.

Picquet is a native of Bishop, where she was the high school valedictorian in 1944. She has three sons, seven grandchildren and a head of gray hair that turned when she was only 29 years old. She smokes Winston Light cigarettes, drinks Diet Dr Peppers and commands respect from all who meet her, people said.

"She's certainly outgoing. She is a salesperson, I guess. She reacts well with people. She stimulates them," Connor said. "I think her supervisors have been a little afraid of her. But she gets a great deal of loyalty from her employees." Picquet credits "a happy accident" with her taking over the John E. Connor Museum.

She was looking for a teaching job — and had been turned down at several area school districts — when history professor Beth Baker offered her a teaching assistant's position with the idea that she would eventually head the university's fledgling museum. Picquet took the job, obtained a master's degree in history and began the most satisfying career of her life, she said.

She recalls her son's encouraging advice at the time — "Keep going while your brain's in gear, Mom!"

But Picquet's new job was daunting.

John E. Connor had come to Kingsville in 1925 to lead the university's history department and eventually became the first dean. Residents almost immediately began donating items to him for a museum — gifts that ranged from butterfly collections to old lace work and antique farming implements.

The items were boxed when Picquet arrived and she recalled that one of her first jobs was to open a new box each day and sort through it, classify it and decide how to exhibit it. It was, she recalled, like Christmas every day.

"We museum people think that people who are keepers are the neatest people around. Because without them, we would have nothing to show," Picquet said. "We've just been real fortunate that people have been so generous." Even more essential, however, was that Picquet set forth the museum's mission — something that she says is essential to any good museum because it helps define and clarify "the institution's

purpose."

The purpose of the museum is to collect, preserve and display items relating South Texas' culture and heritage, Picquet said. To that end, the museum's vast array of exhibits — from an archaeological dig on La Paloma Ranch to Indian history — gives a compact but diverse look into the region's past and present.

University sociologist Joe Graham said Picquet's ability to teach herself how to run and manage the museum has resulted in a facility that compares favorably with any in the state.

"If you look at that museum over there, that's a product of her effort — her leadership, her skills and her ability to get things organized," he said. "I have the profoundest admiration for what she's done there. It is an excellent museum." Graham said visitors are often surprised at the array and extent of the exhibits in the small museum.

"It has some of the best natural history exhibits that you can find

anywhere," he said. "They're just extremely well done." The most difficult time for the museum came in 1979, when the governor vetoed the appropriation to the museum and eight others in Texas, Picquet said.

Picquet gathered the museum's supporters and they managed to raise the money to operate the museum.

"That told me the people of South Texas thought we were important," she said.

One of the best-loved exhibits — at least with schoolchildren — is the depiction of a stuffed mountain lion who has just finished devouring a freshly slain deer. The lion has blood in his claws and mouth, and the deer's belly is stained crimson and gnawed open.

"Adults don't like it. They say, 'What did you have to make it so bloody?' But the kids love it," Picquet said.

Most recently, Bishop honored Picquet with the Chamber of Commerce's Lifetime Service Award. They also established a \$10,000

scholarship in her name for a Bishop student — a gift that Picquet said really surprised and gratified her.

"When the people who have

known you all your life forgive you and honor you like that, that means more than I can say," she said. "People are the most important. Things can be done without, but people are treasures."

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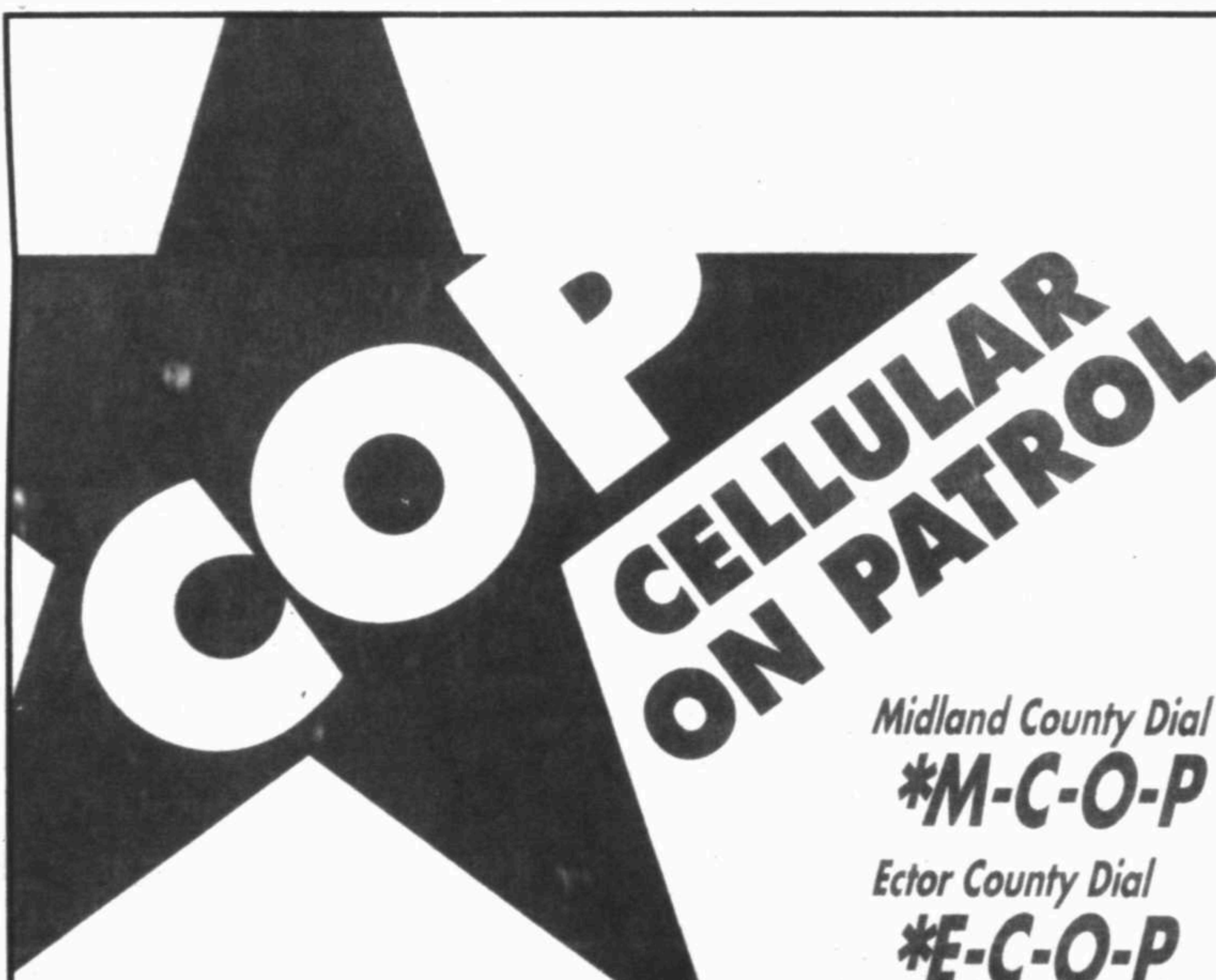
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Rose is silent

DETROIT — Michigan guard Jalen Rose has declined to answer questions, on advice from his lawyer, from federal agents about his voice being picked up on wiretaps during an investigation into a drug ring, The Detroit News reported.

Peter J. Kelley, Rose's lawyer, told the News in a story published Sunday that three U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration agents met with Rose and Michigan coach Steve Fisher on Feb. 25 at Crisler Arena for routine questioning.

Rose "like thousands of other people out there, happened to get picked up on a wire," Kelley said. "As far as we're concerned, it's routine."

During the meeting, federal agents asked Rose about a friend who is under federal indictment on charges of cocaine and heroin distribution, Kelley confirmed to the newspaper.

Rose said no lawyer would advise a client "to speak with three DEA agents that show up on your doorstep."

Texas tops LSU

AUSTIN — Texas' Ryan Kjos pitched a four-hit complete game to pace the ninth-ranked Longhorns to a 7-1 victory against No. 5 Louisiana State Sunday as Texas won two of the three-game series against the defending national champion Tigers.

Kjos (3-3) struck out a career-high 12 batters while walking four to earn his second collegiate complete game. Kjos was struck out 22 in his last 16 innings of action, while allowing only six hits and five walks during that stretch.

Brett Laxton (1-2) took the loss for Louisiana State (9-5) after surrendering four runs — three earned — in five and 2/3 innings of work.

Texas (18-7) was led offensively by Shea Morenz's three hits and one RBI and pinch-hitter Stephen Larkin's two-run, eighth-inning home run. Larkin's round tripper was only his second hit in his last 30 at-bats.

Moe wins again

WHISTLER, British Columbia — Tommy Moe, one of the American stars of the Winter Olympics, captured his first World Cup victory Sunday when he won the super giant slalom.

Moe, of Palmer, Alaska, covered the course in 1 minute, 31.22 seconds to win \$7,000.

Rangers tickets

ARLINGTON — It took just one hour and 50 minutes for all remaining tickets for the Texas Rangers' home opener at The Ballpark in Arlington to be snapped up, once they went on sale, said John Schriever, director of ticket operations.

The Rangers home opener at the new \$190 million stadium, which seats 49,292, will be against the Milwaukee Brewers.

In all, more than 13,000 tickets were sold Saturday.

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1994 NCAA TOURNAMENT

Upsets mix up field

■ Wild weekend confirms there are more than four teams that deserve the top seed.

By Doug Tucker
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The NCAA tournament field was jumbled but not jarred after a wild weekend of upsets, confirming what seemed obvious — there are more than four teams in college basketball that deserve a top seed.

Defending champion North Carolina, Purdue, Arkansas and Missouri received the top seeds in the men's Division I tournament Sunday after a week in which 18 of the Top 25 teams lost at least once.

■ See bracket/4C

Six of the top eight teams in The Associated Press poll lost over the weekend, causing the NCAA selection committee to do some last-minute shifting that created no shocks but likely did flip some No. 1 and No. 2 seeds.

As an indication of the depth of the 64-team field, the No. 2 seeds — Connecticut, Duke, Arizona and Massachusetts — all had shots at being No. 1 seeds entering the weekend.

"I've never seen a day quite like yesterday," said Tom Butters, chairman of the NCAA selection committee and athletic director at Duke. "It was one of the most interesting days I've experienced, where so many great teams fell."

"Obviously, we had done a lot of work up to that time. We had to go back to the

Please see **TOURNEY/4C**



Texas Tech Rich McIver cuts down the net after the No. 25 Longhorns defeated Texas Tech to win the

Southwest Conference Tournament and received an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

Texas Tech leads slew of Texas picks

By Jaime Aron

Associated Press Writer

The NCAA women's basketball selection committee likely knew what it was doing by seeding defending national champion Texas Tech second in the Midwest region and making Texas the fifth seed in the same bracket.

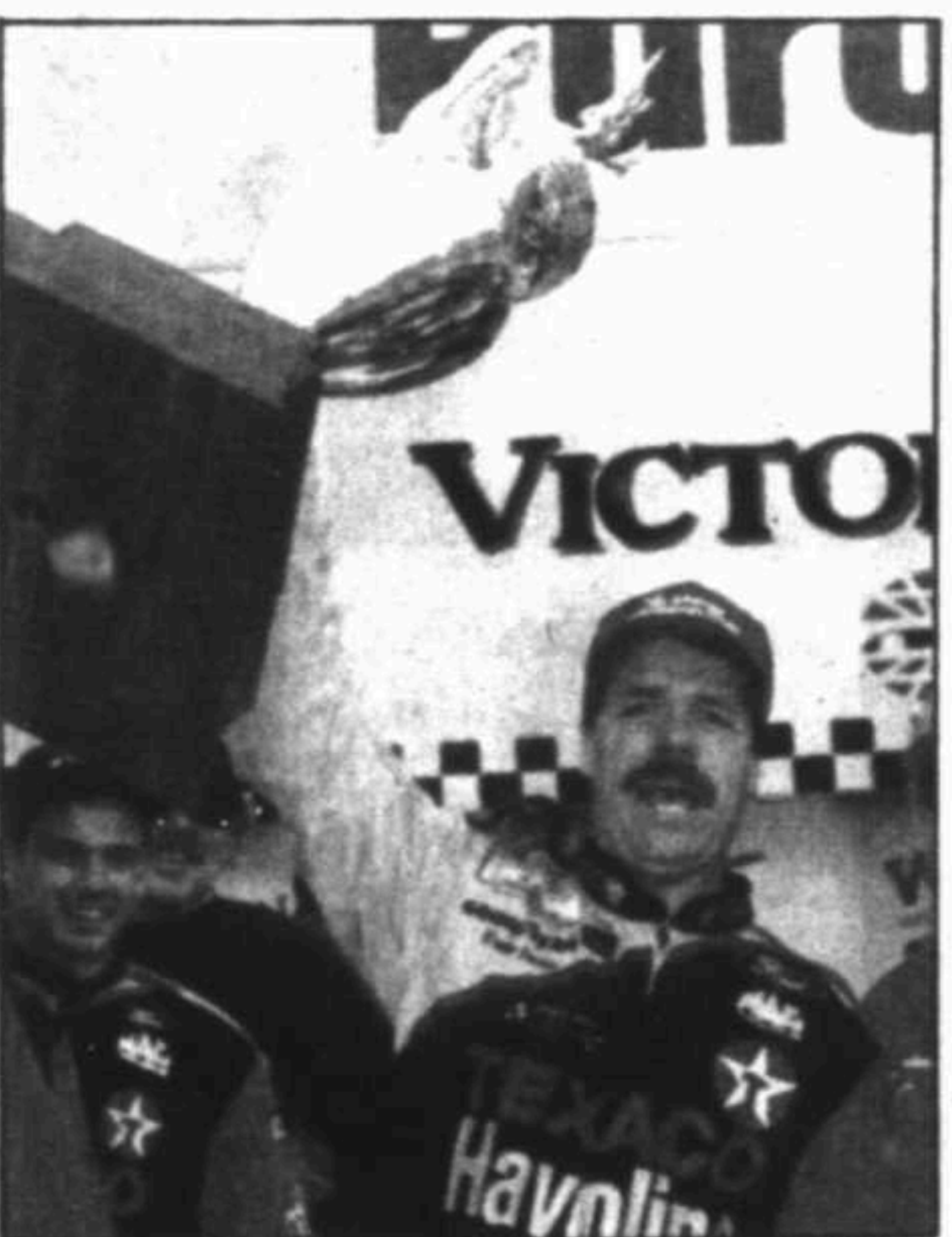
■ Women's Selections

The committee made a path that could set up a fourth meeting this season between the two Southwest Conference powers, this time a March 26 regional final with a Final Four spot awaiting the winner.

"So much has to happen, but obviously the state of Texas and the Southwest Conference should be elated

because that would mean we'd have at least one team in the Final Four," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "But if you ask me if I want to play them again, absolutely not," she added with a laugh.

Joining the Lady Raiders and Lady Longhorns in the NCAA tournament are fellow SWC members Texas A&M and Southern Methodist, both first-time invitees. Please see **WOMEN/4C**



NASCAR driver Ernie Irvan ...wins second straight race.

Irvan holds off trio for second win

■ Ernie Irvan wins his second straight NASCAR race and builds his Winston Cup lead at the Purolator 500.

By Mike Harris

AP Motorsports Writer

HAMPTON, Ga. — Ernie Irvan came up with his second straight victory and padded his Winston Cup point lead Sunday, overcoming strong challenges from a trio of drivers to win the Purolator 500 at Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Irvan, who drove his Robert Yates Racing Ford Thunderbird to a dominating victory a week earlier at Richmond, Va., this time led seven times for 207 laps, including the final 45 on the 1.522-mile Atlanta oval.

The last challenge came from defending race winner Morgan Shepherd, who was right behind Irvan when the green flag waved for the final 16 laps, following the last of five caution periods in the 328-lap race.

But Irvan, who saw a 13.7-second lead disappear when

Bobby Hamilton hit the wall on lap 308, easily held the top spot, beating Shepherd's Ford to the finish line by 0.35-seconds — about four car-lengths.

"This is a great race team and they showed it again today," Irvan said. "The car just kept getting better and better and faster and faster all day."

Shepherd, who led one lap all day, said, "We were just too even. One car was as quick as the other there at the end. We gave it all we had and he beat us."

Darrell Waltrip, in a Chevrolet Lumina, and Jeff Burton, in a Ford — the only other drivers in the lead lap — also mounted challenges during the race, but wound up finishing third and fourth. Mark Martin, who is runner-up to Irvan in the Winston Cup standings, trailing by 101 points, finished a lap down in fifth.

Irvan, who won \$86,100, averaged 146.136 mph as he picked up his 11th Winston Cup career victory, his fourth with the Yates team and his first at Atlanta.

The 25-year-old became the first rookie to lead a race this

Please see **RACE/2C**

Dodgers rally Expos

Associated Press

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Darryl Strawberry hit a game-tying two-run homer in the seventh inning, and Eric Karros followed with his second of the spring as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Montreal Expos 8-7 Sunday.

Strawberry's first home run this spring, off loser Jeff Shaw, tied the game at 6-6. Karros homered on the next pitch to put the

■ Baseball Roundup

Dodgers ahead for good. Raul Mondesi had his second spring homer for Los Angeles.

Montreal's Larry Walker hit a two-run homer off Chan Ho Park, a 20-year-old Korean. He allowed three runs in four innings.

Red Sox 7, Twins 2

FORT MYERS, Fla. — Andre Dawson — preparing for his 18th season in the majors — drove in three runs with two homers off Carlos Pulido.

The 39-year-old Dawson is batting .455. Pulido came in with a 1.80 ERA, but gave up five runs in four innings.

Rangers (ss) 7, White Sox 5

SARASOTA, Fla. — Gary Redus and Benji Gil hit two-run homers to lead a Texas split squad, which overcame a three-run double by Robin Ventura.

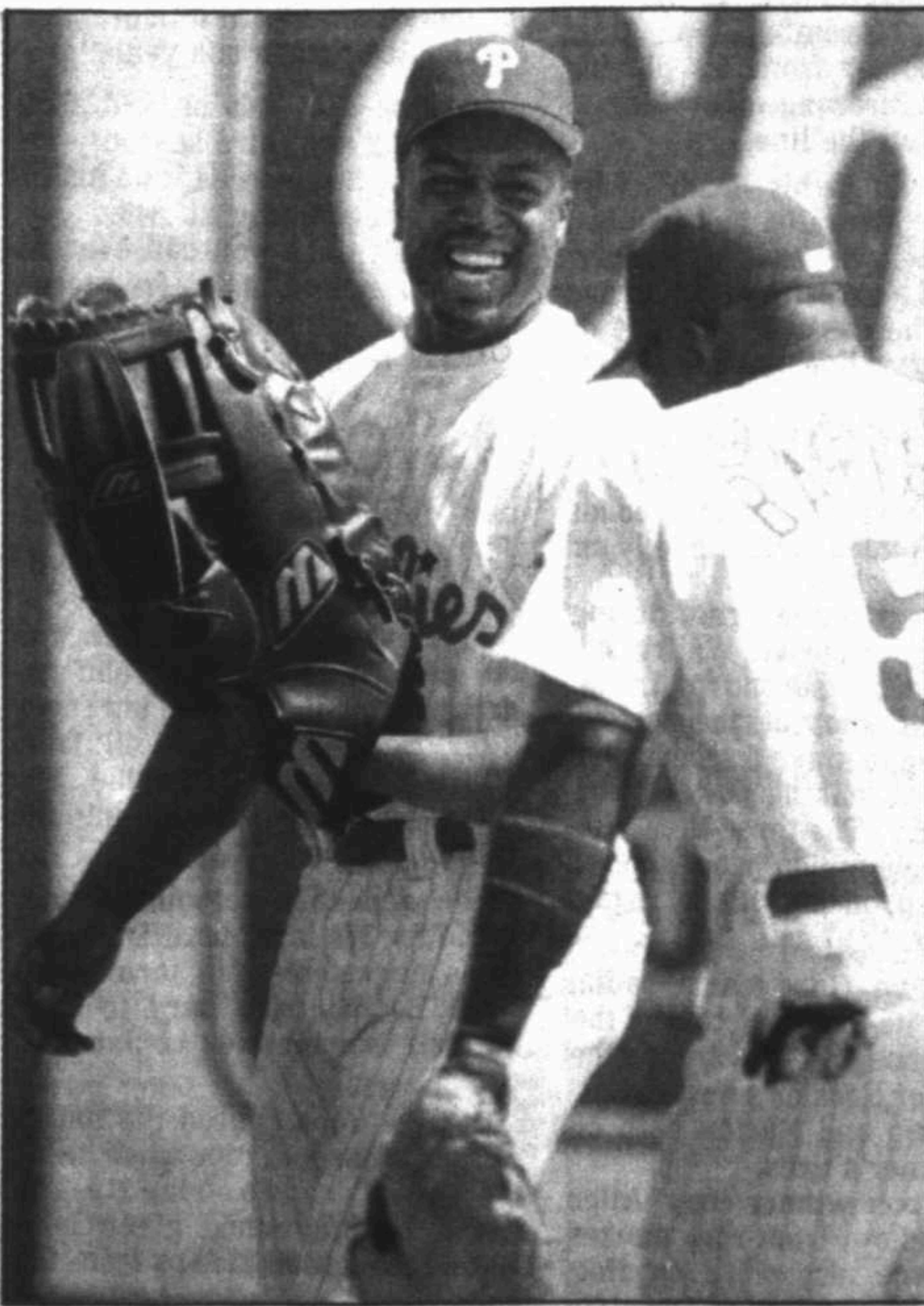
Chicago pitcher Wilson Alvarez was struck on his left wrist by a shot from Chris James in the second inning. X-rays were negative.

Mets 8, Astros 4

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. — Jeff Kent went 3-for-3 with two RBIs, and Glenn Davis had a two-run double as New York rode a five-run outburst to victory.

Davis and Kevin McReynolds, both of whom drove drove in two runs and scored two, had two hits apiece. Scooter Tucker hit a two-run homer for Houston.

Please see **SPRING/2C**



Philadelphia's Wes Chamberlain laughs after team-mate Kim Batiste gives him an oversized glove during spring training.

Mavericks line 'em up

By Brad Townsend
Associated Press

DALLAS — On the first day of training camp, Oct. 8 in Waco, Mavericks coach Quinn Buckner ended practice by telling the players to shoot 50 free throws. He also issued this challenge.

"We will be a better free throw shooting team this season," Buckner said. "And we will shoot at least 75 percent."

Now, five months later, the Mavericks haven't come close to fulfilling most preseason expectations. But free throw shooting has not been one of their shortcomings.

Their team free throw percentage at the end of this past week, .742, was better than that of 17 other NBA teams. As recently as four weeks ago, their percentage was as high as .749. Last season, the Mavericks shot .705 from the line as a team, by far the worst in the league. Golden State was next-worst at .717.

So what is the secret? Better shooters? Better coaching? Luck?

"In practice, you've got to put some type of pressure on," Mavericks assistant Randy Wittman said. "Because in practice sessions, sometimes guys don't take it serious and maybe don't

Please see **MAVS/2C**

Rockets hold off Dallas

DALLAS — Robert Horry scored all 13 of his points during a third-quarter surge and Houston was able to hold off a late charge by Dallas in a 100-93 victory Sunday night.

NBA Roundup

The Rockets, led by Vernon Maxwell's 27 points, moved past the San Antonio Spurs and into first place in the Midwest Division by .002 percentage points. Dallas, which lost its eighth straight, was led by Jim Jackson with 30 points. The Mavs held Hakeem Olajuwon to 18 points — 8.6 below his average — for only his second sub-20-point game in the last 20 outings.

Lakers 90, Timberwolves 88
MINNEAPOLIS — Rookie George Lynch scored five points during an 11-2 run at the start of the fourth quarter as Los Angeles beat Minnesota.

The Lakers, who trailed throughout the third quarter, turned a 70-66 deficit into a 77-72 lead by holding the Timberwolves without a basket for 5:02 early in the fourth, then held on for their third consecutive victory.

Christian Laettner of Minnesota missed his third consecutive game with groin and back injuries, and Doug West sat out with muscle spasms in his neck.

Vlade Divac had 18 points and 13 rebounds for the Lakers.

A 3-pointer by Chuck Person pulled the Timberwolves to 87-86 with 43 seconds left. Divac

made a pair of free throws to restore a three-point lead with 15.6 seconds left, and Lynch picked up a bad pass off a turnover by Micheal Williams to seal the victory.

76ers 114, Bullets 97

LANDOVER, Md. — The Philadelphia 76ers ended a 15-game losing streak — the second-longest in team history — by beating Washington Bullets as Clarence Weatherspoon scored 28 points.

The Sixers held an opponent under 100 points for the 28th time this season. The victory kept Washington from moving past Philadelphia out of last place in the Atlantic Division. Tom Gugliotta scored 23 points and Rex Chapman scored 20 for the Bullets, who had won three straight against Philadelphia. Jeff Malone scored 21 points for the Sixers, who broke a nine-game road losing streak. Weatherspoon made 11 of 16 shots and grabbed 12 rebounds.

Pervis Ellison grabbed 12 rebounds for the Bullets, including 10 in the first half. Washington failed in its attempt to win consecutive games for only the fourth time this season.

Suns 100, Magic 93

ORLANDO, Fla. — Charles Barkley and Kevin Johnson scored 19 of Phoenix's 21 points in the fourth quarter to finish with 30 each as the Suns withstood a 39-performance by Shaquille O'Neal to beat Orlando.

Johnson's jumper broke an 89-89 tie with six minutes left, and he also scored the Suns last four

points. Barkley had nine points in the decisive period and also grabbed nine rebounds to finish with 20.

O'Neal made 10 of his first 11 shots and was the only Orlando player to score from the field in the final 10:40.

Heat 106, Celtics 87

BOSTON — Rony Seikaly had 36 points and 16 rebounds as Miami beat Boston, giving the Heat a tie for the second-best road record in the NBA.

Miami extended its franchise-record road winning streak to six and improved to 19-12 on the road, tied with New York for best in the East and just a half-game worse than Seattle's league-leading road mark.

Clippers 120, Warriors 117 (OT)
LOS ANGELES — Ron Harper scored a season-high 39 points, including two free throws with 11.1 seconds to go in overtime, leading Los Angeles to a victory over Golden State.

It was the first victory for Los Angeles in four games this season against the Warriors. The Clippers lost the first three by 46, 14 and five points.

SuperSonics 114, Trail Blazers 102

SEATTLE — Kendall Gill scored 13 of his 23 points in the third quarter when Seattle broke the game open in a rout of Portland.

The Sonics outscored the Blazers 30-17 in the third quarter and led 95-67 entering the fourth. They then coasted to their eighth victory in nine games and dealt the Blazers their second straight loss.

SPRING: Phillies nip Orioles

(From 1C)

Phillies 9, Orioles 7

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Resurgent Mike Lieberthal hit a decisive two-run homer in the eighth inning.

The homer, which broke a 6-6 tie was Lieberthal's eighth hit in 12 at-bats since opening the exhibition season 0 for 7.

Cardinals 4, Pirates 0

BRADENTON, Fla. — St. Louis starter Rene Arocha and three relievers combined on a five-hit shutout.

Arocha allowed two hits and struck out two over four innings before Vicente Palacios, Rob Murphy and Omar Olivares finished up.

Reds 3 (ss), Marlins 2 (ss)

MELBOURNE, Fla. — Bret Boone drove in the tying run and scored the winning one for Cincinnati in a split-squad game.

Boone had an RBI single to forge a 2-2 tie in the sixth inning, then scored the go-ahead run on a throwing error by first baseman Jeff Conine.

Marlins (ss) 2, Braves 1

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Dave Weathers and the bullpen held Atlanta to two hits, and a Florida split squad scored first-inning runs off Steve Avery.

Gary Sheffield and Nigel Wilson drove in the runs for Weathers, who yielded only an infield single to Deion Sanders in four innings.

Tigers 9, Indians (ss) 5

LAKELAND, Fla. — Lou Whitaker's two-run homer snapped a tie, and Detroit beat a Cleveland split squad which got Albert Bell's fourth homer.

Whitaker's homer, which broke a 4-4 deadlock, followed a two-out

single by Tony Phillips in the fourth inning. Belle hit a two-run drive in the first.

Indians (ss) 8, Rangers (ss) 3
PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — Jason Grimsley gave up one hit in four innings, and the rest of the Indians beat the remainder of the Rangers.

Herbert Perry knocked in three runs for the Indians with a single, double and sacrifice fly. Grimsley allowed only an infield single to Jeff Frye.

Royals 5, Reds (ss) 1

PLANT CITY, Fla. — David Cone allowed just three hits over five innings, and Chris Gwynn homered to complete a three-run ninth as Kansas City beat the other Cincinnati squad.

Cone struck out three and gave up one run.

Yankees 12, Blue Jays 4

DUNEDIN, Fla. — Don Mattingly and Randy Velarde homered, and New York Yankees got 10 of their 20 hits off Toronto starter Dave Stewart.

Mattingly had two hits and two RBIs. His two-run homer was among five runs Stewart allowed in four innings.

Athletics (ss) 6, Mariners 3
PHOENIX — Carlos Reyes pitched four hitless innings, and Geronimo Berroa had a three-run homer and a double for an Oakland split squad.

Reyes, fighting for a job in the bullpen, walked Lee Tinsley leading off the game then retired the next 12 Mariners. Reyes struck out five.

Padres 10, Cubs (ss) 7

PEORIA, Ariz. — Tony Gwynn hit an RBI double in a six-run first as San Diego took advantage of

sloppy defense to beat a Chicago split squad.

The Cubs committed three of their four errors in the first inning, including two on the same play by left fielder Doug Glanville.

Giants (ss) 5, Brewers (ss) 2
SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — John Burkett continued to pitch well, and Jeff Reed hit a two-run homer as San Francisco beat Milwaukee in a split-squad game.

Burkett improved to 2-0 with a 1.50 earned run average, allowing eight hits — including a two-run homer by Tim Lincecum — in five innings.

Giants (ss) 8, Brewers (ss) 7

CHANDLER, Ariz. — Steve Hasey's three-run homer in the seventh inning erased 4-2 deficit, and San Francisco hung on to also win the other game.

Hasey, an outfielder given little chance to make the Giants, took advantage of the designated-hitter slot to homer off knuckleballer Steve Sparks.

Rockies 18, Angels 5

TUCSON, Ariz. — Andres Galaraga had two doubles and five RBIs, leading a 26-hit Colorado assault that gave California its ninth straight loss.

Galaraga is batting .414 with 13 RBIs in nine games. Howard Johnson had three hits and four RBIs. Jason Bates homered for the third straight day.

Cubs (ss) 4, Athletics (ss) 1

LAS VEGAS — Steve Trachsel pitched well, and Rey Sanchez and Ryne Sandberg keyed the offense as Chicago beat the other Oakland split squad.

Trachsel, winning for the second time this spring, did not allow a hit in five innings, walked two and struck out one.

Hot Price fights off Daly for Honda

Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — John Daly, playing his first tournament since his November suspension, made a startling run in the Honda Classic on Sunday before finishing four strokes behind golf's hottest player — Nick Price.

Price shot a 5-under-par 66 to win by one stroke. It was his seventh international victory in less than 12 months.

Daly, golf's longest hitter and one of the game's greatest attractions, closed within two strokes of the lead and finished in fourth place, a remarkable performance given the extent of his absence from the PGA Tour.

"When I looked up and saw Nick was 6 (under par) and I was 4, I really thought I had a chance to win the tournament," Daly said.

But he couldn't get his irons close enough to give himself birdie chances on the back nine, and he closed with 10 consecutive pars and a 3-under 68.

Convincing as Price was, he had to share the spotlight with Daly, who was suspended from the tour Nov. 7 after failing to complete competition in a pro-am round in Hawaii.

LPGA Ping-Welch's Championship
TUCSON, Ariz. — As it turned out, Donna Andrews' toughest competition the last day of the Ping-Welch's Championship was the wind.

MAVS: Make strides with free throws

(From 1C)

get anything out of it. There are a lot of little contests we play to get the guys really concentrating on making them."

Proper shooting mechanics is the key to any type of shot. But most NBA players have proper mechanics — or at least, mechanics that have worked well for them and would be difficult to change.

"I think the most important thing you need to do is get a routine," Wittman said. "Shooting free throws is basically a rhythm."

"You want to do the same thing every time, whether it's dribble the ball three times before you shoot it, spin it in your hand. Whatever it is, you should do it every time, whether you make or miss. It's got to become a second-nature thing."

Why some NBA players aren't better free throw shooters is one of coaching's great mysteries. Based on his mechanics, Mavericks forward Jamal Mashburn, for example, should have a higher percent-

age than his current .705. After one practice last week, Mashburn made 45 of 50 free throws, or .900. At Kentucky, Mashburn was equally mediocre from the line, shooting .670 during his senior season and .697 during his three-year career.

If Mashburn, who is averaging 19.7 points, were shooting 75 percent from the line, his scoring average would be 20.1 points. If he were shooting 80 percent, his scoring average would be 20.4. Told that, Mashburn smiled.

"I can get there," he said. "Yeah, that does give me some incentive."

As an NBA player, Wittman averaged .753 percent from the line. He well remembers a great jumper shooter from his playing days, Otis Birdsong, averaging 48 percent from the line.

"It was all in his head," Wittman said. "Mentally, he had a bad block. When he shot a jumper, coming off a screen, it was second nature. Whereas when he got on the free throw line, nobody around

him, he began thinking, 'Now I've got to get the ball up.'"

Wittman said a free throw routine helped him take his mind off the pressure of a given situation. As long as his routine and mechanics were right, Wittman was confident of success.

Even NBA players, Wittman said, should realize the need of practicing free throws.

"A lot of people will say about a player, 'Well, he'll never be a good free throw shooter,'" Wittman said. "They're saying that about Shaquille (O'Neal, who is shooting .535). But if you go back, Magic Johnson was a terrible free throw shooter when he first came into the league. He worked at it in practice and led the league one year."

Johnson shot .760 on foul shots his second and third seasons. Yet in 1988-89, he shot .911, and his career average ended at .848.

"I don't think you can ever devote too much time to free throw shooting," Wittman said. "It boils down to a big part of the game."

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There were two caution flags in the first 33 laps, with John Andretti hitting the wall on lap seven after running through oil from Chuck Bown's blown engine, and Curtis Markham spinning into the wall off turn two.

The race then remained under green for 166 laps, until Dale Jarrett's engine blew in turn three. Brett Bodine tried hard to stop, but ran into the side of Jarrett's car.

Derrike Cope caused the fourth caution of the fast race when he hit the wall in turn two on lap 219. The track then remained green until Hamilton's crash 21 laps from the end.

RACE: Irvan improves Winston lead

(From 1C)

season as well as doing some dominating of his own in the middle portion of the race, leading four times for 87 laps.

At one point, after a long period of green-flag racing, Burton held a lead of about 18 seconds over runner-up Waltrip, who was just ahead of Irvan and Shepherd.

A caution flag on lap 207 erased Burton's lead and turned the race into a contest.

Waltrip, who started 40th in the 42-car field and appeared to have one of the slowest cars on the track in the early going, came on to take the lead for the first time on lap 215, then lost the top spot to Irvan on lap 227.

A series of green-flag pit stops shuffled the lead one more time between laps 280 and 283, but Irvan

came out more than seven seconds ahead and pulled away steadily until the final yellow.

The leaders pitted again during the last caution period. Waltrip initially came out second to Irvan, but lost his shot at the victory when he had to make a second stop because of a leaking power steering reservoir. The three-time Winston Cup champion was able to pass Burton on lap 319 to regain third place.

Irvan gave Goodyear's radial racing tire its fourth victory of the season, although it was by far the best race for Hoosier's new radial, with Waltrip and Burton both on the newcomer's tires.

Rookie pole-winner Loy Allen Jr. and fellow front-row starter Geoff Bodine also were on Hoosiers, but Allen fell out of conten-

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rado (Bates 3).

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Hosey (1).

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lor (8) and Holland,
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Martin, Lendl ousted

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) — Todd Martin says he's ready for a break. Ivan Lendl is still looking for one.

Both were eliminated in third-set tiebreakers Sunday at the Lipton Championships.

Martin lost his second-round match 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (7-5) to Byron Black of Zimbabwe, then complained that he's tired of tennis. Lendl, irate about a line call that went against him on match point, lost to Jan Siemerink of the Netherlands 3-6, 7-5, 7-6 (7-5).

Top-ranked defending champion Pete Sampras won his opening match against Diego Nargiso 6-2, 6-2, and will next play 1991 finalist David Wheaton. No. 4 seed Jim Courier rallied to beat Jeff Tarango 2-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Spain's Javier Sanchez beat his brother Emilio 3-6, 6-2, 6-4. Javier won the match 0-7 this year, and 0-9 lifetime against his older brother.

In women's play, the top four seeds — Steffi Graf, Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, Gabriela Sabatini and Jana Novotna — lost a total of 15 games in advancing to the fourth round.

The top-seeded Graf posted her 28th consecutive victory by beating Ginger Helgeson 6-2, 6-1. Two-time defending champion Sanchez beat Patty Fendick 6-1, 6-3; Sabatini eliminated Chanda Rubin 6-3, 6-2; and Novotna swept Meredith McGrath 6-2, 6-1.

Lendl, a two-time titlist playing at Lipton for the first time since 1990, was still sour hours after the ruling that denied him a straight-set victory.

Siemerink serving and facing match point at 4-5 in the second set, Lendl hit a cross-court serve return that he thought landed on the sideline. A linesman ruled the shot wide, Lendl protested and the chair umpire declined to reverse the ruling.

"I don't really want to talk about it," Lendl said. "It was obvious what happened. Everybody could see where the ball was except for one person — or two. ... It's another case of getting rid of the people and get the machines going (to decide line calls)."

Lipton Championships

er case of getting rid of the people and get the machines going (to decide line calls)."

Lendl, at 34 the oldest player in the tournament, reacted to the ruling with youthful petulance. He received a code violation for an audible obscenity, and later threw his racket into the net. Squandering another match-point chance didn't help his mood.

In the tiebreaker, Lendl regained enough poise to save three match points. But at 6-5 he hit a sitter long, giving the victory to Siemerink, ranked No. 102.

Martin, who will play for the U.S. Davis Cup team at India in two weeks, continued his recent slump by losing for the third time in the past five matches.

The Australian Open finalist, ranked ninth in the world, said he's weary from playing six tournaments already this year. Among other things, Martin complained that his schedule requires him to eat pasta all the time.

"I think I just need a few days off, and hopefully I'll get the energy back in my legs and in my head," he said. "I'll just do something other than run around on a piece of cement."

In the tiebreaker, Martin gave away two points by double-faulting and netting an easy volley. He tried to hit a cross-court forehand on match point, and Black intercepted it with a lunging forehand drop volley for a clean win.

"I would have done anything at that point," said Black, ranked No. 92. "I was going to dive because I knew he was going to go cross-court. I took five or six steps and made a little stab, and I was so happy."

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Germany heads up Paralympics Games

LILLEHAMMER, Norway (AP) — Germany won 14 medals, including four golds, to take the lead Sunday at the sixth Paralympic Winter Games.

Germany had 27 medals and the United States was second with 15 after three days of the competition, which concludes March 20. The Americans and Germans had 10 golds each.

Norway was third with 16 medals, followed by France with 11 and Russia nine.

About 1,000 athletes from 31 countries were competing, often using special equipment, in classes reflecting their disabilities.

Three Americans, Sarah Will, Sarah Billmeier and Nancy Gustafson, took their second gold medals with class wins in the women's Super G on Sunday. All three had gold from Friday's downhill.

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Meacham (8) and Mayne; Pugh,

Service (5), Powell (7), Sauter (8),

Patterson (8) and Dorsett, Wilson

(7). W-Cone, 1-0; L-Pugh, 0-1.

HR—Kansas City, Gwynn (1).

At St. Petersburg, Fla.

Phil. 000 300 030-09 0

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D-Jackson, M-Williams (4), Botta-

lico (7), Patterson (8) and Marcano,

Lieberthal (5); Kila, Krivda (4), For-

ney (5), Frohman (8), L-Sm (9),

Holmes, Tackett (8), W-Botta-

lico, 1-0; L-Frohman, 0-1; S-

Patterson (1). HRs—Philadelphia,

Lieberthal (1).

At Sarasota, Fla.

Chi. (as) 030 000 220-7 10

Chgo (A) 000 031 010-02 10

Armstrong, K-Hoed (8), H-Honey-

cutt (8), Santana (8) and McNamara,

Lucia (8), Hernandez (2), G-Sm (8),

G-Sm (8), K-Hoed (8) and K-Hoed,

Mervio (7). W—Chi, 3-1; P-Hoed,

0-1. S—Santana (1). HR—Texas,

Florus (1), Gil (1).

At Lakeland, Fla.

Clev. 021 000 001-06 14 1

Detroit 022 201 022-02 10

Nagy, Wertz (8), Farr (7), Mesa

(8) and Alomar, Pena (8); Wells,

Letter (8), Maszy (7), Gohr (8), B-

oyer (8) and Parrish, Rowland

(8). W—Wells, 1-0; L-Hoed, 1-0.

HRs—Cleveland, Belle (4), Detroit,

Whitaker (1).

At Fort Myers, Fla.

Boston 022 111 000-7 13 0

Min. 002 000 000-02 7 3

Vangundy, Conroy (4), Quantrell

(8), Harris (8) and Vandy, Flory (8);

Pulido, Campbell (8), Correa (7),

Merriman (8), Sauter (8) and P-Hoed,

W-Vangundy, 2-0; L-P-Hoed, 0-1.

HRs—Boston, Dawson (2).

At West Palm Beach, Fla.

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Weather, Perez (8), Long (7),

Robinson (8) and Decker, P-Hoed (8);

Avery, Brock (4), D-Clark (8), Mc-

Chael (8) and Perez, O'Brien (8).

W—Weather, 1-0; L-Avery, 0-1.

S-Kink (1).

At Melbourne, Fla.

Cin. (as) 001 000 000-03 8 1

Fla. 000 000 000-02 8 2

Roper, Jarvis (4), Courtright (8),

Spradlin (8), McElroy (8), Ferry (8)

and Oliver, Lyons (8); Roper, Miller

(8), Rodriguez (7), Harvey (8) and

Santiago, Johnson (7). W—Court-

right, 1-0; L-Miller, 0-1. S—Ferry

(1).

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

St. Louis 000 021 010-4 10 1

Pit. 000 000 000-02 5 0

Archo, Piacos (8), Murphy (7),

Oliver (8) and P-Hoed (8); Wagner,

Neagle (5), Johnston (7), Corbin

(8) and Slaght, Sukhotin (8).

W—Archo, 2-0; L-Neagle, 0-1.

At Dunedin, Fla.

N.Y. (A) 000 200 120-12 10 2

Toronto 000 300 100-04 10 1

Cleto, Haddock (8), Wickman (8)

and Stanley, Leyritz (8), Pasada (8);

Stewart, Flannery (8), Spoliar (7),

Small (8) and D-Clark (8), Martinez

(8). W—Cleto, 2-1; L-Stewart, 1-1.

HR—New York, Lanning (4),

Montreal, Walker (2), Los Angeles,

Mondesi (2).

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Kentucky wins SEC

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Rodrick Rhodes sparked Kentucky to its third straight and 18th overall Southeastern Conference tournament championship with a 73-60 victory over Florida.

Rhodes has 12 of his 15 points in a 22-4 spurt in the second half that carried the Wildcats past the Gators in a rubber match between the SEC eastern division foes.

Kentucky (26-6) also got 13 points each from Tony Delk and Jeff Brassow, and 10 from tournament MVP Travis Ford.

No. 17 Florida (25-7), making its third appearance in the title game and first in five years, was led by Dan Cross with 17 points. Dametri Hill had 15 and Craig Brown added 11.

Nebraska 77, No. 23 Oklahoma St. 68.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jamar Johnson scored 19 points and led a final surge late in the second half as Nebraska beat No. 23 Oklahoma State 77-68 Sunday in the Big Eight tournament championship to gain the league's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

It is the Huskers' fourth straight NCAA trip under Coach Danny Nee and marked the first time Nebraska had won the Big Eight tournament after consecutive 20-victory seasons.

Nebraska (20-9) advanced to the final by beating No. 3 Missouri in

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the semifinals Saturday, giving the Tigers their first loss in 19 Big Eight games. It was Nebraska's second championship game in the 18 years of the league tournament.

Oklahoma State (23-9) had beaten No. 11 Kansas in the semifinals.

No. 6 Purdue 87, Illinois 77. WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — The Big Ten championship was Purdue's for the taking, so Glenn Robinson grabbed it and refused to let go.

Robinson, the nation's scoring leader, had a career-high 49 points as the Boilermakers beat Illinois and clinched their first conference title since 1988.

Purdue (26-4, 14-4 Big Ten) finished one game ahead of Michigan, which dropped out of a first-place tie with Saturday's overtime loss to Northwestern.

The victory also snapped a six-game losing streak to Illinois (17-10, 10-8).

Robinson, averaging 30.3 points a game for the season, had nine during a two-minute flurry late in the first half and 11 straight in another run in the second half after the Illini came within two points.

No. 14 Louisville 69, S. Miss. 61. BILOXI, Miss. — Clifford Ro- zier had 20 points and 17 rebounds

as Louisville beat Southern Mississippi, winning the Metro Conference tournament championship and the automatic berth into the NCAA tournament.

Rozier, the two-time Metro Conference player of the year and the tournament's most valuable player, had consecutive inside baskets as Louisville opened the second half with a 13-3 run to take the lead for good.

Louisville (26-5), which was going to the NCAA tournament for the 24th time regardless of Sunday's outcome, built a 42-33 after Greg Minor's basket at the 16:06 mark.

No. 4 N. Carolina 73, Virginia 66. CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Donald Williams scored five points in the final 45 seconds to lift North Carolina to the Atlantic Coast Conference championship with a victory over Virginia.

It was the 13th tournament championship for the Tar Heels (27-6) and the 12th for coach Dean Smith, who on Saturday got his 800th coaching victory. The tournament championship carries an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament, and because of the weekend's rash of upsets, could put defending national champion North Carolina atop the final college basketball poll.



TOURNEY: No SWC at-large

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drawing table last night and take a look to see what change was necessary.

North Carolina, which defeated Virginia in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament final Sunday, was the No. 1 seed in the East Regional. Purdue, the Big Ten champion, got the top seed in the Southeast Regional.

Arkansas, which was ranked No. 1 in the AP poll going into the weekend, lost to Kentucky in the Southeastern Conference semifinals, but still managed to get the top seed in the Midwest.

Missouri, defeated by Nebraska in the Big Eight tournament, was placed No. 1 in the West.

Butters said that the number of upsets caused some scrambling that had the committee working until 11 p.m. Saturday.

"Because so many fell, we didn't do a lot of changes," Butters said. "Tournaments have a way in many respects of helping teams more than they hurt teams. You

can only lose one game, you have the opportunity to win three.

"I won't say it didn't cause any changes, but it did not cause a great deal," Butters said.

The final AP poll will be released Monday. Going into the weekend, Missouri was No. 3, North Carolina No. 4 and Purdue No. 6.

Connecticut, the regular-season Big East champion and No. 2 in the AP poll, lost a chance at a top seed when it was defeated Saturday by Providence in the conference tournament semifinal. Connecticut ended as the No. 2 seed in the East.

Duke also missed out on any chance at a No. 1 when it was upset by Virginia Saturday in the ACC tournament. The Blue Devils are the No. 2 seed in the Southeast.

Arizona is the second seed in the West and Massachusetts got the No. 2 seed in the Midwest.

The Big Ten placed seven teams in the field, tying the record for most by a conference. Purdue was joined by Michigan, Indiana, Illi-

nois, Wisconsin, Michigan State and Minnesota.

The Big East was a surprise by getting six teams into the tournament, with Connecticut, Syracuse, Seton Hall, Providence, Georgetown and Boston College getting bids.

On the other hand, the ACC surprisingly landed only five teams, with Georgia Tech shut out. Tech finished 16-12 but defeated North Carolina twice. Also missing out were Brigham Young (21-9) and Xavier (20-7).

"We're very disappointed that we didn't get in," said Georgia Tech coach Bobby Cremins. "I really thought we had enough quality wins to get in there."

The biggest shocker in the field was the College of Charleston (S.C.), a member of the Trans-America conference which finished 24-3. This is only its third season of Division I basketball.

Play begins Thursday and Friday at eight regional sites and concludes with the championship game in Charlotte, N.C.

Aggies get nod, Raiders snubbed

NEW YORK (AP) — Georgia Tech and Oklahoma, two of the best "bubble teams" left out of the NCAA tournament, headed a list of 32 teams invited Sunday night to the 56th annual National Invitation Tournament.

Texas A&M was among the teams just missing the NCAA field but they were invited to the NIT.

First-round games will be Wednesday and Thursday at campus sites in the nation's oldest post-season tournament.

Texas A&M coach Tony Barone said he expected to miss the NCAA tournament because his team lost the last three regular-season games.

"It seems like we were being a team that was being closely considered," Barone said. "I guess if I

NIT Selections

had paid a little more attention to how close we were in the thing, I would've been more upset. I thought we had to win the (SWC) tournament to go to the big dance."

Barone said the NIT bid is an excellent building block for his program.

"We're thrilled to be in the NIT. It's a tremendous, tremendous honor," he said.

"The reality of the situation is, we now know what it takes to get to where we want to go because we had a small taste of it," Barone said. "There is some credibility at College Station."

The Aggies face New Orleans (19-9) Wednesday in New Orleans.

Barone said A&M matches up well with the Privateers.

Meanwhile, last year's SWC champ Texas Tech (17-11) missed the NIT, although many thought the Red Raiders would make it.

Tech coach James Dickey said he didn't know why his team didn't make the cut.

"I'm disappointed," Dickey said. "There are 11 teams in there (the NIT field) that have fewer wins than we do, and 10 that have more losses."

There are three teams from both the Pac-10 (Arizona State, Stanford, Southern Cal) and the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (Canisius, Manhattan, Siena) and two teams from several other conferences.

WOMEN: Field expanded to 64

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which likely benefited from the tournament's expansion to 64 teams.

A fifth representative from Texas is Southland Conference champion Stephen F. Austin. The eighth-seeded Ladyjacks (23-6), also in the Midwest, open with No. 9 seed Kansas (21-5).

No. 1 Tennessee, No. 3 Connecticut, No. 4 Penn State and No. 10 Purdue drew top seeds. No. 2 Colorado was seeded third in the West regional behind Purdue and No. 11 Stanford. No. 5 North Carolina was seeded third in the East behind Connecticut and No. 12 Vanderbilt.

"We feel very comfortable with the four teams that we put up there," said Linda Bruno, chair of the NCAA selection committee and assistant commissioner in the Big East. "We feel that they deserved to be there."

She conceded that the Texas Tech's loss to Texas on Saturday in the Southwest Conference title game could have cost the defending champions the top seed.

All first-round games will be Wednesday at campus sites. After the second round this weekend, the teams advance to regionals March 24 and 26 at Fayetteville, Ark.; Austin, Texas; Stanford, Calif.; and Piscataway, N.J. The women's Final Four will be April 2-3 at Richmond, Va.

The Lady Longhorns beat the Lady Raiders twice this season, including a thrilling 71-69 victory Saturday in the SWC tournament championship.

Texas (21-8) opens the NCAA tournament at home Wednesday against No. 12 seed Oklahoma State (20-8). UT lasted only one game in last year's tournament, but the team has been revamped and sparked by the addition of a five-member freshman class.

Despite their youth, the Lady Longhorns kept Saturday's victory in perspective as they began preparing Sunday for the NCAA tournament.

"I thought they would be giddy but they came ready to play," Texas coach Jody Conradt said after practice. "They were very intense. It was a lot harder workout than I expected."

The Lady Raiders (26-4) will try rebounding from Saturday's horrible shooting when they host No. 15-seed Missouri (12-17), which won the Big Eight tournament by upsetting Oklahoma State, Kansas and Colorado.

"You'd have to think that right

now they're one of the hottest teams in the country. That's scary," Sharp said.

Although first-round games are supposed to be played on the home court of the higher seed, Texas A&M (21-7), a No. 13 seed in the West region, gets to host fourth-seeded Florida (22-6) because of a scheduling conflict with a Rod Stewart concert in Gainesville, Fla.

"I've been thinking about buying a CD player and I'm now going to go buy one and get every Rod Stewart album," Lady Aggies coach Lynn Hickey said.

Hickey said there was so much yelling and screaming when the pairings were announced on ESPN that they had to play back a tape of the announcement to make sure they heard it right.

"The kids are excited. This is a great experience for them no matter what happens," said Hickey, making her first NCAA appearance since 1983-84 when she coached Kansas State.

The NCAA bid also is sweet to Rhonda Rompolo, who coached the Lady Mustangs to the NWIT finals last year in their first-ever postseason.

"I felt like it was a longshot," she said. "It helps when you have a conference with the national champions in it."

The only problem is that No. 13 seed SMU (18-8) has to go to Ruston, La., to play fourth-seed Louisiana Tech, playing in its 13th-straight tournament.

Tennessee, which like No. 7 Louisiana Tech made the tournament field for the 13th consecutive year, is seeded first in the Midwest. The Lady Vols (29-1) will open play at

home against the winner of Sunday's Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference championship game between North Carolina A&T and Howard.

Southern Cal (23-3), seeded second in the Midwest, will be host to Portland (17-11), while third-seeded Virginia (25-4) plays at home against Loyola of Maryland. Louisiana Tech (26-3) is seeded fourth in the region, and it will open at home against Southern Methodist (18-8).

In the Midwest, top-seeded Penn State (25-2) will open against Fordham (21-8). The second seed, Texas Tech (26-4), will play host to Missouri (12-17), which won the Big Eight tournament with a 79-71 overtime victory over Colorado.

Third-seeded Iowa (20-6) meets Mount St. Mary's (25-3), and Vermont (19-10) plays at fourth-seeded Seton Hall (25-4).

In the West, top-seeded Purdue (25-4) opens against Radford (18-11) at West Lafayette, Ind., while Stanford (22-5), the No. 2 seed, is home to Wisconsin-Green Bay (18-10), one of at least 17 teams making a first appearance in the tournament. Colorado, second-ranked in the nation and seeded third in the West, will play host to Marquette (22-6), another first-time participant.

Connecticut (27-2) will begin tournament play by playing host to Brown. On Sunday, Brown beat Dartmouth 72-62 in overtime to win the Ivy League and an automatic tournament berth. Second-seeded Vanderbilt (23-7) opens at home against the winner of Sunday's Southwestern Athletic Conference championship game between Grambling State and Alcorn State.

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Pet Wash customer James Carrasco reassures his 15-month-old Sheltie, Jasper, as manager Bonnie Brooks checks the water temperature.

DOGS 'N' SUDS

Jasper had his hair washed, blow-dried and styled last week. But, not at a hair salon. Jasper is a dog who was treated to a special grooming by his owner at Pet Wash Self-Service, 4411 W. Illinois Ave.

Owner Sue Ellington said she always wished a place like her new business had existed and finally decided she was going to do it.

The self-service pet wash opened for business on Feb. 1. An animal lover and a "sucker" for strays, Ms. Ellington said she has spent hours picking ticks and fleas off adopted strays and a place like the self-service wash would have been perfect for her.

Bonnie Brooks, manager and Ms. Ellington's mom, is on hand to assist customers with the proper use of products and equipment. Instructions for pre-bath, bathing and drying procedures are posted and grooming guides for most breeds are available.

Ms. Ellington said one of her customers brought his cocker spaniel in recently and groomed the dog himself for the first time following the guidelines in the book on grooming cocker spaniels.

"When the dog left, he

looked like he had been groomed by a professional," she said.

She said the dog owner felt at ease with the process without any prior experience.

"Self-service grooming is a great way for pet and owner to bond. Animals enjoy attention from their masters. If handled with patience, even the most reluctant pets come to love the grooming experience," Ms. Ellington said.

The pet wash has tubs for washing the animals and provides all the needed items to get the job done including shampoo, creme rinse, brushes, combs, dematting tools, nail clippers and even stand dryers and cage dryers.

Ms. Ellington said many animals are a little fearful of the noise the dryers make, but she said the sensation from the blowing air feels a little like getting a massage and the animals quickly learn to tune out the noise and enjoy the feeling.

Ms. Ellington said she has been surprised at the quality care pet-owners give their animals.

"Most owners who come in here, I get the feeling they feel like they're taking their child to a clinic," she said.

She said many of the animal owners who tried the service

have already become repeat customers. Pet Wash Self-Service also offers to folks who adopt a pet from the city pound or the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals shelter a free wash and dry on their first visit with a proof of health check. In addition to the self-service washes, the business also sells dog food and pet specialty items.

A wash and dry, complete with all the items needed, costs \$8

Charge for the clippers is \$5 a dog and assorted blades are provided. A dog dip can be done for \$5 and flea and tick shampoo is \$3 with the regular bath fee.

Special dandruff shampoo is an additional \$1 with the regular bath fee. For those animals who have been "sprayed," a skunk odor shampoo is \$5 with the regular bath fee.

Dematting combs, nail clippers and shears are available upon request.

Pet Wash Self-Service is open 1-7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1-6 p.m. on Sundays.

The self-service also has handicapped facilities.



Gifts for owners and pets fill the shelves, from chew toys to calendars. Mollie, a four-year-old Sheltie, gets a final brushing from her owner Charles Armstrong in the background.



Peppy, a two-year-old dachshund-cocker spaniel mix owned by Darrel Rhea, gets a bath from Rhea and his son, Dusty, 11.



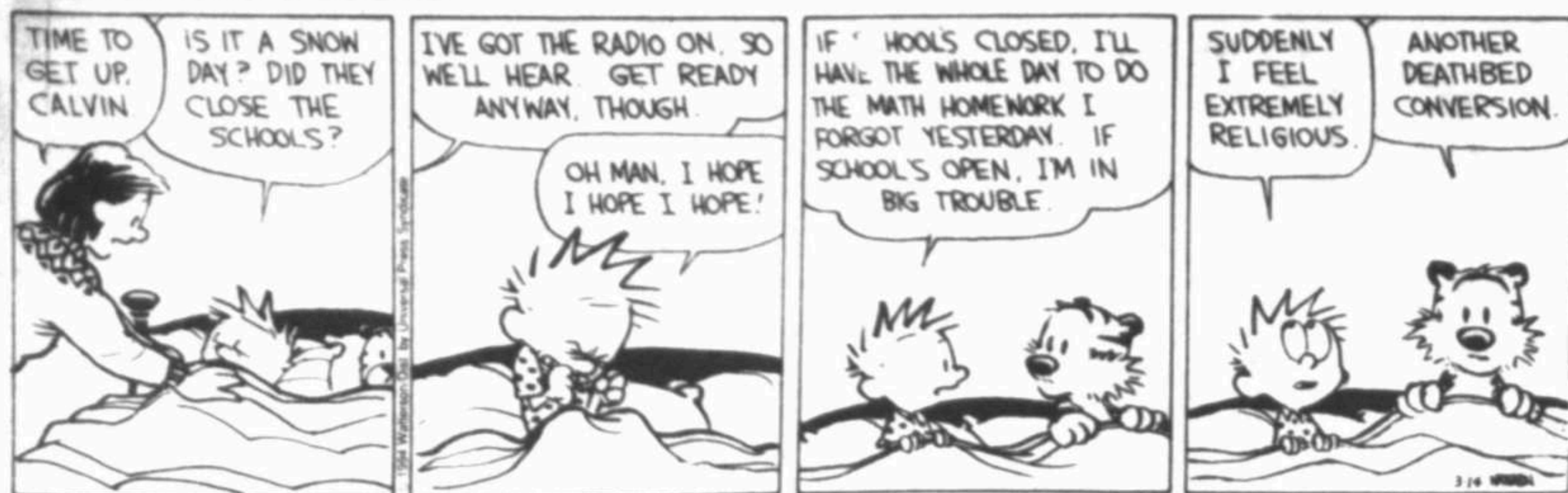
Above, Jasper shakes off some water. At left, a clean, blow-dried Jasper greets Pet Wash owner Sue Ellington.

Story by Tonie Miller-Uzzel

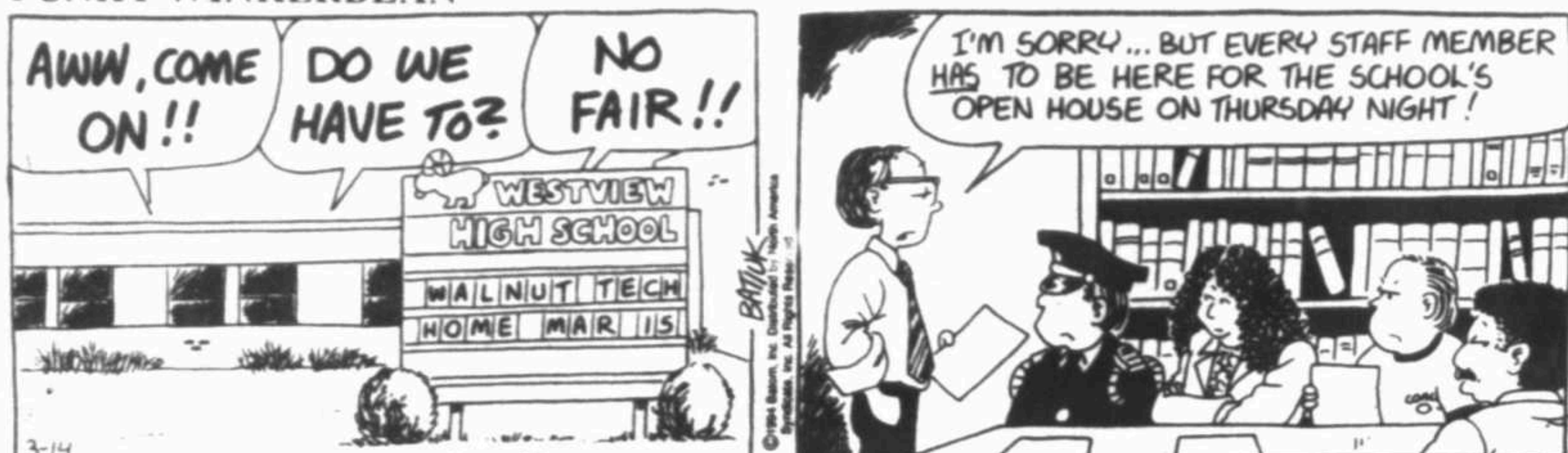
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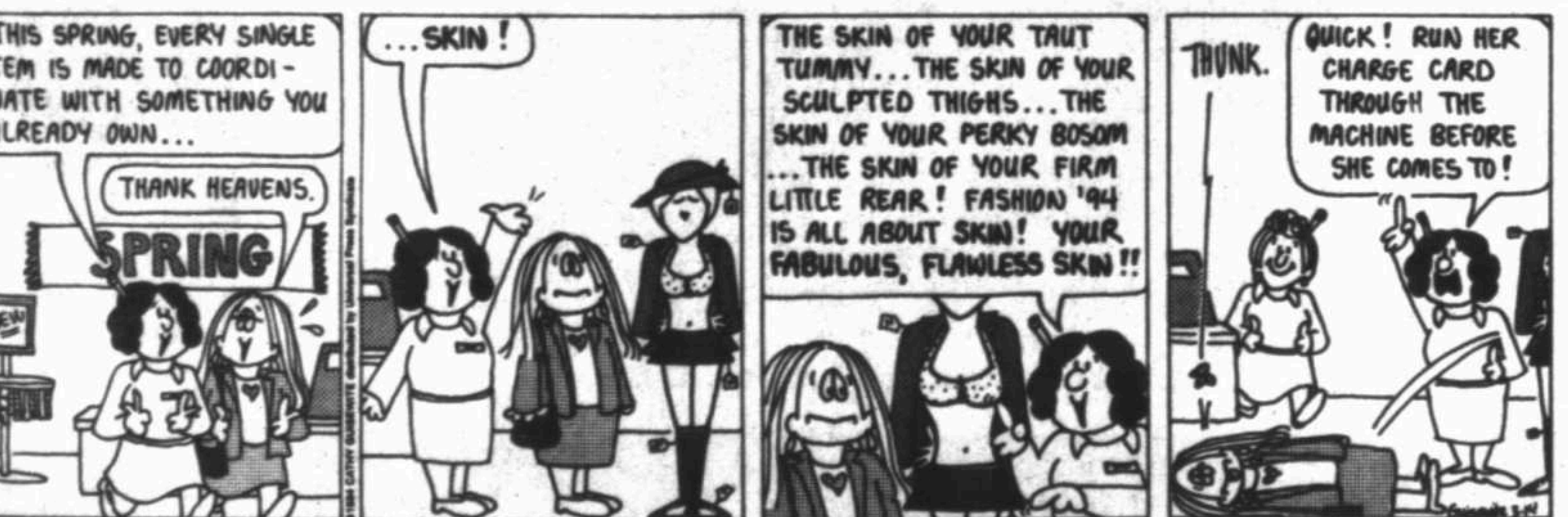
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Your Horoscope

By Jeane Dixon

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 1994

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: A new attitude will help you surge ahead of the competition by late November. Decisiveness is a must in December, especially when it comes to your relationships. Do not let a personality conflict torpedo a promising project. Cooperating with an influential associate brings new business gains early in 1993. A romantic pairing next spring should result in a permanent alliance. Corporate networking contributes to your financial security. A legal matter will be settled in your favor by late summer.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: comic Bill Murray, actor Larry Hagman, novelists Fannie Flagg and Stephen King.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Display a positive attitude and an important relationship will turn around. A preoccupation with your health fades as you begin to feel better. Get out and socialize more.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Watch your step when dealing with hard-to-please authority figures. Projecting an aura of confidence will get you a front-row seat at an important meeting.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Change is inevitable. Starwise, there is no reason for you to fear the

future. Although the love boat sails under cloudy skies at times, it will not sink. Have faith.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It is time to rethink your priorities and review the direction your life is taking. Let past mistakes guide, not discourage, you. Newfound resources help you get a pet project launched.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You have more energy than in recent days. Tackle a complicated project you have been postponing. Protect a romantic dinner from interruptions or uninvited guests.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Avoid dwelling on a recent disappointment. Concentrate on winning — the odds are in your favor! Your personal appeal is at an all-time high. Plan a romantic interlude.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Financial worries can overshadow all other concerns. Refuse to fret about matters beyond your control. A chance encounter could lead to a profitable business venture!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):

TODAY'S CHILDREN are experts at organizing and planning ahead. Cool and collected, they stick with a project until it is finished. More interested in accomplishment than in money, these modest Virgos sometimes sell their services too cheaply. They dislike tooting their own horn and may shrink from asking for a raise or promotion. Wise parents will encourage these talented children to seek a fair reward for their efforts.

Examine a relationship that is going nowhere. Thinking things through ensures that you will not jump to conclusions or rush off in the wrong direction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your new self-esteem enhances every aspect of your life. Review your goals before making any sudden moves. Family members should be consulted on domestic issues.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Better results will be obtained once you learn to go with the flow. A loophole will help you get out of a contract if you so desire. Listen to your conscience.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your partner may be more vocal than usual today. Play the waiting game in both business and romance. If a legal matter reaches a stalemate, the delay could work in your favor.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A secret that is revealed now makes you whistle with surprise! Your luck changes for the better. Before buying a car or expensive jewelry, put some money away for a rainy day.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠A6 ♠AQ983 ♦9752 ♣42
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
2 ♦ Pass ?

What do you bid now?

A.—Unless partner has a perfect holding, the limit of the hand is at most game. Scientists would bid two spades to show the stopper, but most would jump to four diamonds, even though that bypasses three no trump. We think three diamonds is an underbid.

Q.2—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠Q8 ♠AKJ10952 ♠AQ63 ♣Void
Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with one diamond. What action do you take?

A.—We would be much more excited about this hand had our minor-suit holdings been reversed. While it might produce slam, you cannot even guarantee game if partner has the wrong values. Be satisfied with four hearts—and hope you make it.

Q.3—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠5 ♠A864 ♠AQ963 ♠J52
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♦ Pass
2 ♠ Pass ?

What action do you take?

A.—Where would you like to go? You have no sure source of tricks at no trump and your misfit is not encouraging. Pass, before you get into really deep water. Yes, in standard methods your response "promised" a rebid, but there are exceptions to every rule.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠K6 ♠A6 ♠KJ8752 ♠873
The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♦ Pass 2 ♥ Pass

What do you bid now?

A.—Since you can't pass, nor bid no trump without a club stopper, you are limited to two choices—three diamonds or two spades. Rather than rebid your shabby six-card minor, we would take a preference to partner's five-card or longer major. Bid two spades.

Q.5—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠85 ♠62 ♠AQ10932 ♠976
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass ?

What do you bid now?

A.—Your hand is not strong enough to venture to the two-level, even if you intend following a two-

diamond response with three diamonds at your next turn to show a sub-minimum two-over-one response. Respond one no trump.

Q.6—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠AKQJ52 ♠J86 ♦743 ♣5
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
3 ♠ Pass ?

What action do you take?

A.—No question, your best shot for game, or slam for that matter, appears to be in spades. There is available a bid that shows a solid suit and no side-suit values—a jump to four spades. Make it. Partner will know whether he has the right hand for a move.

THE FAR SIDE



"It's a cute trick, Warren, but the Schuberts are here for dinner, so just 'abracadabra' this thing back to where it was."

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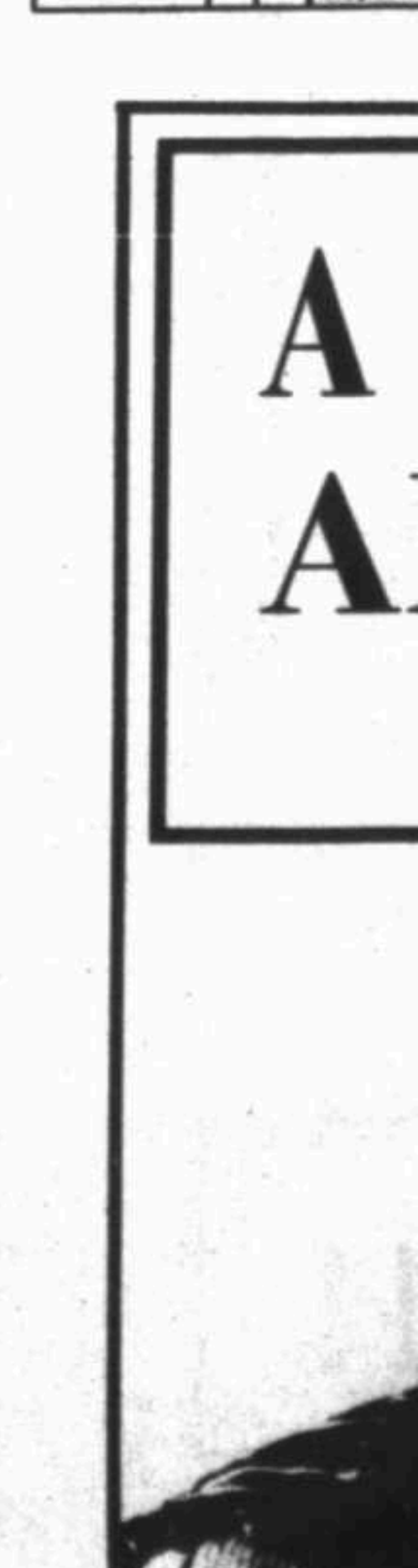


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PEOPLE

Dudley Moore's 'Rhapsody in Blue' performance brings in much green

MIAMI — Dudley Moore's performance of "Rhapsody in Blue" brought in a lot of green.

His black-tie benefit concert Saturday raised nearly \$300,000 for the New World Symphony. About 700 people attended, paying up to \$1,000 a ticket.

In addition to the Gershwin composition, Moore also performed two movements of Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 21 in C, mugging for the crowd during difficult solo passages.

"Dudley is an actor, raconteur and musician who carries on in the tradition of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart like no one else I know," said Michael Tilson Thomas, founder and artistic director of the New World Symphony.

Though best known for his roles in such films as "Arthur" and "10," Moore is an accomplished pianist and holds degrees in music and composition from Oxford University.

NEW YORK — As a comedian, Nancy Kerrigan makes a fine figure skater.

The Olympic silver medalist, host of NBC's "Saturday Night Live," displayed a less-than-silver tongue as she tried to make the jump from lutz to laughs.

But some of her punchlines did manage to break the ice. Kerrigan poked fun at herself, her rivals and even her reported \$2 million deal with Walt Disney Co., joking that a promotional appearance with Mickey Mouse was "the horniest" — not the corniest — thing she's ever done.

She also took questions from "the audience," including a performer dressed as gold medalist Oksana Baiul, who could not stop crying, and a Tonya Harding lookalike, who wondered why she couldn't be host of next week's show.

Perhaps the show's funniest bit was a pre-taped slapstick routine that paired Kerrigan and jumbo-sized Chris Farley as skating partners.

Farley and Kerrigan ended that skit by doing what many of the jokes did Saturday night — they both fell flat.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — It was just another day and just another award for Jon Secada and Gloria Estefan.

Secada, Estefan and Miguel Morejon won the Latin Song of the Year award for "Otro Dia Mas Sin Verte" ("Just Another Day

Without You") at the first BMI Latin Music Awards.

Broadcast Music Inc. collects license fees for more than 150,000 people in the music industry. The awards recognize songwriters, composers and publishers of the most frequently performed Latin songs.

"This award means a lot because it is the first time BMI has singled out Latin songwriters, and it means a new level of recognition," Secada said at the awards ceremony Thursday night.

NEW YORK — As in previous years, the Harris Poll recently asked respondents their preference among Peter Jennings, Dan Rather, Tom Brokaw and Bernard Shaw.

Connie Chung, who has co-anchored the "CBS Evening News" with Rather since June, was not listed.

"I'm such a non-TV watcher that I had no idea," said Humphrey Taylor, president of the Harris Poll. "Maybe we'll put her in next year when she's had more of a track record and more exposure."

For the (somewhat incomplete) record, Jennings, preferred by 30 percent, and Brokaw, with 29 percent, finished in a virtual tie for the top spot, followed by Rather at 24 percent and Shaw at 10 percent.

The poll, being released Monday, was conducted by telephone Feb. 2-6 among 1,252 adults. The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The National Council of Negro Women's campaign to establish a National Center for African-American Women in Washington received a major boost Monday: the donation of a historic landmark building in downtown Washington.

The building, valued at \$1.8 million, was donated by Bill Cosby, the entertainer, and his wife, Camille Cosby, an educator and lecturer.

"This center will give African-American women a new technological capability to bring forth creative solutions that merge the accomplishment of our past with the unbounded possibilities of the future," Dorothy I. Height, president and chief executive of the council, said in a statement.

"We are delighted that Bill and Camille Cosby share this vision and have given us significant momentum in making it a reality."

The Council is involved in a campaign to raise \$30 million to establish a national center of research and study on black women and provide training for black women to become leaders in their communities.

Height said the campaign was intended to produce an endowment fund, leadership institute and programs in community service.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Today's TV Schedule

Broadcast	Channel	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
3	KMD	News 337	Wheel of Fortune	Day One 6269	Sponsor: Ceremony (93) ** (Robert Urich, Barbara Williams) 9733	Star Trek: The Next Generation 9898	Who's the Boss? 245117	In the Heat of the Night 157578	Married... Children 157578	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35) 619733	The Tonight Show (10:35) 6303678	Late Night/O'Brien 157578	Pat Boone
4	KPEJ	Full House 98337	Designing Women	The Road Warrior (R, '81) *** (Mel Gibson, Bruce Spence) 32530	Murphy Brown 45056	Love & War 3034	Mad About You 56511	Wings 76563	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946
7	KOSA	News 3733	Rescue 911 4065	Current Affairs	Someone Like Me 1789	Mad About You 56511	Wings 76563	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946
9	KWES	News 9795	Current Affairs	Call/Action	Benny Hill 72995	Praise the Lord 75085	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946	News 722946
12	KMLM	Prime Time Live 359949	MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour 864917	Fill It Up 22795	Fill It Up: Hello and Goodbye 239443	Joan Baez in Concert: An Austin City Limits Special 509443	To Be Announced 727172	To Be Announced 727172	To Be Announced 727172	To Be Announced 727172	To Be Announced 727172	To Be Announced 727172	To Be Announced 727172
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20	BET	Sanford	Comedy	Happening: Comicview	Video Soul	Recess 911 227462	The 700 Club 214998	Comedy	Screen	Midnight Love Videos	Black Station	Manic Mansion	Manic Mansion
23	FAM	The Wilsons: The Gypsies 579801	PrimeTimeLive 414801	Larry King Live 430649	World News 410065	Sports Tonight 722337	March Madness 518191	Wings 394508	Quantum Leap 669559	Bodybuilding	Bodybuilding	Bodybuilding	Bodybuilding
36	ESPN	SportsCenter	NCAA Tournament	Outside the Lines 234627	WWF Monday Night RAW 425917	Sherlock Holmes 863917	I Love Lucy (Bob Newhart)	Mary Tyler Moore	Dick Van Dyke	Get Smart 765172	Dragnet 161207	Allied Hitchcock	Allied Hitchcock
37	USA	Wings 911397	Wings 216799	Murder, She Wrote 416295	WWF Monday Night RAW 425917	Sherlock Holmes 863917	I Love Lucy (Bob Newhart)	Mary Tyler Moore	Dick Van Dyke	Get Smart 765172	Dragnet 161207	Allied Hitchcock	Allied Hitchcock
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DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Trude Michel Jaffe

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 - Man on horseback
 - Exchange premium
 - Italian money
 - Teheran native
 - Changing star
 - Friend
 - Fought against
 - Silkworm
 - Comical
 - Save
 - NE China port city
 - Spring bloom
 - Lubricant
 - Harden
 - Sunbather's goal
 - Not yet broadcast
 - Boston cream —
 - Schoolboy cap and collar
 - Firearm
 - Oats, hay etc.
 - Thread density
 - Unprotected
 - Lee's rival
 - Savings initials
 - Fragrant flower
 - Germ free
 - Raise
 - Number
 - Type size
 - Hillside shelter: Fr.
 - Avoid
 - Genesis location
 - Mideast city
 - Struck out
 - Repose
- DOWN**
- Powder
 - Mixture
 - Semester
 - Cassandra was one
 - Field for
 - Forty-niners
 - Employ
 - Harem room
 - Man from
 - La Mancha
 - Three-legged stand
 - Oil from wool
 - Centers of self
 - Number of cagers
 - Prince in disguise?
 - Existing
 - Highlander's wrap
 - Joyfulness
 - Referred to
 - Make a speech
 - Sheer fabric
 - By way of
 - Coin of Calcutta
 - Lake Indians
 - Requires
 - Consumers
 - Bea and Betty's co-star
 - Signed up for service
 - Lagos' country
 - 1920's girl
 - Invaded
 - Historic beginning
 - Unsophisticated
 - Filippo Lippi and others
 - 54 Singer McEntire
 - 55 Merit
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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Legal Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
The board of trustees of the Grady
Independent School District will
receive sealed bids for roofing and
repair of designated sections of
Grady School. Specifications may
be picked up at the Office of the
Superintendent, Grady I.S.D.,
HCR 72 Box 4, Lenora, Texas
79749, (915) 459-2444. Sealed
bids will be opened at the Grady
School Board Room at 7:00 p.m.,
Monday, April 11, 1994. Bids re-
ceived after date and time speci-
fied will not be opened. Grady
I.S.D. reserves the right to accept
or reject any or all bids.

NOTICE
The City of Midland finds that the
properties located at the following
locations & addresses:
Street Address
Legal Description
Last Known Owner and Address

1403 CAMP ST
ADDN: HALEY HEIGHTS
BLK 018 LOT: 002 M.50
W.50B ERNIE
PO BOX 514
MIDLAND, TX 79702

W. FRANCIS AV
ADDN: MOORE
BLK 001 LOT: 006
LAMBERT CHERYL L
2820 W. COUNTRY RD 168
ODESSA, TX 79764

W. FRANCIS AV
ADDN: MOORE
BLK 001 LOT: 005
LAMBERT CHERYL L
2820 W. COUNTRY RD 168
ODESSA, TX 79764

GOODE ST
ADDN: MOORE
BLK 007 LOTS 001 THRU 1
LAMBERT CHERYL L
2820 W. COUNTRY RD 168
ODESSA, TX 79764

1511 W. GRIFFIN
BLK 39-125
NEARBY SEC 3
SHODGRASS OWEN D
412 E OAK AVE
MIDLAND, TX 79705

GRIFFIN AV
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NEARBY SEC 3
DAVIS BOBBIE JEAN
3657 HUNTERS GLEN CIR
ARLINGTON, TX 76015

MCKENZIE ST
ADDN: HALEY HEIGHTS
BLK 030 LOT: 002 50 X
S.50B DAPHNE
1603 60TH ST
LUBBOCK TX 79412

1705 S MORAN ST
ADDN: LINDSAY ACRES
TRACT: 003 S.50B X 142
ALBUQUERQUE LEONARD H
405 E COUNTRY ROAD 132
MIDLAND, TX 79412

4253 SIESTA LN
ADDN: NORTH TOWN PLAZA
BLK 006 LOT: 020 N.69.7
FIDELITY SAVINGS
(RTS)
PO BOX 4157
PORT ARTHUR, TX 77641

101 E KANSAS AV
ADDN: HOMESTEAD
BLK 009 LOT: 007
W.50B GOODRICH
PO BOX 1721
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ADDN: RICHARDSON ABILENE
BLK 003 LOT: 005 S.307
MIDLAND BETTY L
1013 N MAIN ST
MIDLAND, TX 79701

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MIDLAND, TX 79702

802 N MAIN ST
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In the City of Midland, Texas, have
become a public nuisance and
health hazard in as much as they
have become overgrown with
weeds, tall grass and brush, be-
come a source of fire hazard, and
a collection point for stagnant wa-
ter. The owner of the above
named properties are hereby or-
dered to abate the nuisance within
ten (10) days and notify the City of
Midland of the abatement. Failure
to do so will result in the City of
Midland taking the necessary action
to abate the nuisance, and the cost of
doing so as a lien against the prop-
erty. You may appeal the decision of
the City of Midland to enter your
property and assess a lien against it
by contacting the City Manager's
office at 300 North Loraine, Mid-
land, Texas 79701, phone number
682-7200 within nine (9) days of
this notice.

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR
THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

**In the Matter of the Protective Pro-
ceeding of KATLIN DAWN MCKELVEY
SHELEY NICOLE MALETTE
CONNOR JAMISON MALETTE**

Case No. 34N-94-191 PG
NOTICE OF HEARING

**TO: FORREST WAYNE LAW-
RENCE** all interested parties
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that
DONALD and SUSAN MCKELVEY
filed a petition for appoint-
ment guardians for KATLIN
DAWN MCKELVEY born to Lisa
Michelle McKelvey, on February 22,
1989. The petition will be heard
before the Honorable John Dugan,
Probate Master, at 303 K
Street, Anchorage, Alaska, on the
19 day of April, 1994, at 10:30
a.m.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that the possi-
ble consequences of the hearing
can be to have DONALD and SU-
SAN MCKELVEY appointed as co-
guardians of KATLIN DAWN
MCKELVEY, with powers and re-
sponsibilities similar to those of
natural parents and that the rights
of the child's natural parents will
be limited. You are invited to at-
tend the hearing to be heard and
to ask that the court appoint an
attorney to represent you.

DATED this 28 day of February
1994.

**John E. Duggan
SUPERIOR COURT MASTER**

Lodge Notices

**Midland Masonic
Lodge #623**
1600 W. Wall.
Reg. stated meet-
ings 2nd and 4th
Thurs. 7:30 pm.
882-3292.

W. Du-an Porter, W.M.
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.
Midland Shrine
Club, 2019 Trade
Dr. 682-5509.

Reg. mtg. 3rd
Thurs. each mo.
Hoop. 6:30 pm.
dinner 7 pm. Bus.
mtg. 8 pm.
Gary Anderson, Pres.,
Bob Ellwood, Secy.

**CENTENNIAL
LODGE #1448**
1000 Upland
at Cuthbert.
Reg. stated meet-
ing, 1st & 3rd Sat.
mornings 8:30 am.
Breakfast 7:30 am.
W.M. M. M.
Bob Ellwood, Secy.

**Acacia Masonic
Lodge 1414**
1000 Upland
at Cuthbert.
Stated Commu-
nications 2nd & 4th
Tue. 7:30 pm.
Floor school Mon. 7:00 PM.
Leonard Wood, W.M. (P.T.)
Al Talbot, Sec.

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**IN THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, HAVE
BECOME A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND
HEALTH HAZARD IN AS MUCH AS THEY
HAVE BECOME OVERGROWN WITH
WEEDS, TALL GRASS AND BRUSH, BE-
COME A SOURCE OF FIRE HAZARD, AND
A COLLECTION POINT FOR STAGNANT WA-
TER. THE OWNER OF THE ABOVE
NAMED PROPERTIES ARE HEREBY OR-
DERED TO ABATE THE NUISANCE WITHIN
TEN (10) DAYS AND NOTIFY THE CITY OF
MIDLAND OF THE ABATEMENT. FAILURE
TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN THE CITY OF
MIDLAND TAKING THE NECESSARY ACTION
TO ABATE THE NUISANCE, AND THE COST OF
DOING SO AS A LIEN AGAINST THE PROP-
ERTY. YOU MAY APPEAL THE DECISION OF
THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO ENTER YOUR
PROPERTY AND ASSESS A LIEN AGAINST IT
BY CONTACTING THE CITY MANAGER'S
OFFICE AT 300 NORTH LORLAINE, MID-
LAND, TEXAS 79701, PHONE NUMBER
682-7200 WITHIN NINE (9) DAYS OF
THIS NOTICE.**

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR
THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

**In the Matter of the Protective Pro-
ceeding of KATLIN DAWN MCKELVEY
SHELEY NICOLE MALETTE
CONNOR JAMISON MALETTE**

Case No. 34N-94-191 PG
NOTICE OF HEARING

**TO: FORREST WAYNE LAW-
RENCE** all interested parties
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that
DONALD and SUSAN MCKELVEY
filed a petition for appoint-
ment guardians for KATLIN
DAWN MCKELVEY born to Lisa
Michelle McKelvey, on February 22,
1989. The petition will be heard
before the Honorable John Dugan,
Probate Master, at 303 K
Street, Anchorage, Alaska, on the
19 day of April, 1994, at 10:30
a.m.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that the possi-
ble consequences of the hearing
can be to have DONALD and SU-
SAN MCKELVEY appointed as co-
guardians of KATLIN DAWN
MCKELVEY, with powers and re-
sponsibilities similar to those of
natural parents and that the rights
of the child's natural parents will
be limited. You are invited to at-
tend the hearing to be heard and
to ask that the court appoint an
attorney to represent you.

DATED this 28 day of February
1994.

**John E. Duggan
SUPERIOR COURT MASTER**

SWCF, 20
5'8", friendly, attractive. Seeking
nonsmoking, nondrinking SWCF,
22-28, whose interests are mov-
ies, Christian music, good cook-
ing. VMB 4419

Seeking SBF
Outgoing DWM, 39, 5'8", 150lbs.,
blond hair, brown eyes, enjoys
rock-roll, the blues, movies and
dining out. VMB 2792

Cute SWF
Blue-eyed brunette, enjoys camp-
ing, country music, oldies, horses,
cooking. Seeking honest, depend-
able, sincere, fun guy, with sense
of humor. VMB 1895

SHCF
Professional, nonsmoker, active
outdoors person, enjoys water ski-
ing, hiking, movies, long romantic
walks, kids. Seeking long-term re-
lationship with gentleman, 28-35.
VMB 0914

Easygoing SWM, 20
6'1", 185lbs., green-eyed, enjoys
movies, football, music. Seeking
humorous, honest S/DWF, 18-23,
to treat like a lady. VMB 4476

SWM, 37
Seeking commitment-minded SF,
35-40, 5'5", full-figured. I enjoy
quiet evenings, movies, cooking,
some dancing, pool, miniature
golf. VMB 3027

DWM, 66
5'9", 185lbs., financially secure,
recently retired, enjoys reading,
walking, dancing. Seeking female
49-50s, slim, intelligent. VMB
0004

SWM, 22
With sense of humor, enjoys dan-
cing, movies, sports. Seeking hon-
est, fun-loving S/DH/BF, 18-25, for
friendship, possible relationship.
Children welcome. VMB 2570

Attractive SBF, 25
5'7", 132lbs., drug-free, nonsmok-
er, enjoys music, quiet evenings,
arts, outdoors, travel. Seeking en-
ergetic, fun-loving, honest, intelli-
gent gentleman, 21+. VMB 2356

SHM, 30
6ft., enjoys bow hunting, outdoors,
horses, country dancing, cooking.
Seeking SF, 25-35, country girl,
with similar interests. VMB 3347

Looking for Valentine
SWM, 27, Dallas transplant, pro-
fessional, humorous, attractive,
enjoys travel, outdoors, the arts.
Seeking intelligent, attractive, non-
smoking SF, 20-31. VMB 1664

Attractive SHM, 19
5'11", outstanding listener, sense
of humor, romantic, enjoys dan-
cing, sports, traveling. Seeking out-
going, honest SH/WF, 19-24. VMB
0907

Sincere SWM, 47
Like kids, sports, music, adventure.
Looking to meet attractive
S/DW, with spontaneity and a flair
for life. VMB 1780

SBF, 24
Enjoys movies, music, shopping
and meeting new people. Seeking
an outgoing, fun-loving S/DW, 23-
28, with a good personality. VMB
0739

Do you like...
Gary Larson, Stewart Smiley, dan-
cing to the Doobies, skiing, camp-
fire stories, kids, hiking the Rockies?
Classy, intelligent, witty, very
attractive DWF, early 40's. Seek-
ing S/DW, 35-45, with similar in-
terests. Rush Limbaugh fans need not apply. VMB
2146

Attractive blonde
Interesting, creative, laidback,
health professional, 5'4", 135lbs.
Loves outdoors, animals, good
books, intelligent conversations,
romance. DWF seeks gentleman,
58-70. VMB 4887

DWF, 37
5'5", long brown hair, hazel-eyed,
fit, mom, enjoys bowling, country
western dancing. Seeking husky,
caring S/DWM, 30-40, no games.
VMB 0751

SBF, 29
Petite, enjoys movies, dancing,
quiet evenings. Seeking S/DWM,
30-45, drug-free, tall, good build,
for friendship, possible relation-
ship. VMB 2439

Young-at-heart
Widowed WF, 50. Seeking mature
gentleman, for fun, companionship
and adventure. VMB 4038

DHCF, 37
Single mother of three year old
child, enjoys quiet evenings at
home. Looking for Mr. Right, for
long-term relationship. VMB 0758

DHF, 47
Full-figured, 5'4", dark hair, hazel-
eyed, professional. Enjoys movies,
shopping, traveling. Seeking S/DW,
45-59, friendship
first. VMB 0717

Sleepless in Midland
SBF, 23, enjoys music, parks, no-
vels, dining. Seeking employed,
drug-free, nonsmoking S/DW, 25-
37, for friendship, kids okay. VMB
0725

Adventure awaits
Active SWM, 23, 6'1", brownish
hair, brown eyes, enjoys dancing,
going out, have fun. Seeking
open-minded, adventurous S/DW.
VMB 2265

DWF, late 40's
Tall, slender, degreed profession-
al, with various interests. Seeking
gentleman, 45-55, who's romantic,
honest, sincere, for possible long-
term relationship. VMB 5825

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Pretty woman SWF, 30
5'2", enjoys drawing, stormy
weather. Seeking intelligent, busi-
ness-minded, professional HM, 30-
42, for sincere, caring relation-
ship. VMB 3795

Widowed WF, early 60s
Tall, honest, sincere, enjoys all
sports, fishing, golfing, dancing,
cooking. Seeking similar, real WM,
65-70, for companionship. VMB
0263

DWM, 41
Enjoys dining, movies, music, car
races. Seeking S/DH/F, 34-42, with
similar interests. China please call
again and leave number. VMB
2744

SBF, 34
5'7", slim, nonsmoker, nondrinker,
enjoys movies, sports, dining, quiet
times. Seeking professional, se-
rious, easygoing SBM, for friend-
ship. VMB 4337

SWF, 18
Enjoys car races, motorcycles and
alternative music. Seeking SM, 18-
30, for friendship, possible relation-
ship. VMB 0528

Widowed WF, 50's
Energetic, loving, caring, enjoys
country western music, dancing,
travel. Seeking cowboy type male,
40-50, with similar interests. VMB
8412

DWF, 31
Enjoys rock-roll music, movies,
sports. Seeking S/DWM, 20-40,
similar interests, friendship. VMB
0894

SWM, 33
6'1", brown hair, eyes, enjoys all
outdoor activities, music, dancing,
bowling. Seeking S/DW, 27-40,
for lasting relationship. VMB
5161

Fun-loving SWF, 49
5'6", slender, energetic, nondrink-
er, enjoys dining, walking, movies,
country western music. Seeking
SWM, 45-60, for friendship, possi-
ble relationship. VMB 2392

Never married WM, 28
Blond, 6ft. 175lbs., enjoys movies,
travel, sports. Seeking S/DW,
21-29, who loves to travel,
for friendship. VMB 0081

SWM, 5'9"
Blonde hair, hazel eyes, into under-
ground scene, black metal. Seek-
ing good looking SWF, 18-20, into
the same. VMB 1367

SM, 40
5'4", 150lbs., enjoys music, long
walks, good company, movies, din-
ing, quiet times. Seeking SM, 40-
50, for friendship, fun. Let's talk. VMB
0916

DHM, 54
5'7", 150lbs., enjoys sports, foot-
ball, movies, dining, travel, simple
things in life. Seeking S/DH/WF,
35-55, for friendship, relationship.
VMB 4290

Outgoing, friendly SBM, 31
6'2", muscular, enjoys playing gut-
tar, movies, music, fun times.
Seeking honest, open-minded,
drug-free S/DW, 21-33. VMB 4448

SWM, 26
5'11", brown-eyed, enjoys skiing,
traveling, movies. Seeking WF, 30-
45, with same interests, kids okay.
VMB 0865

SWM, 26
5'1", 180lbs., brown hair, brown
eyes, enjoys sports, outdoors,
dancing. Seeking SBF, for dating,
possible relationship. VMB 1665

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SWM, 31
I'm 6ft., 210lbs. Looking for lady,
25-40, who enjoys quiet times,
movies, football, dining, for friend-
ship, possibly more. VMB 0745

Attractive DWF, 44
5'8", enjoys cooking, country
western music, dancing. 50's mu-
sic, hiking, camping. Seeking S/
DWM, 35-50, similar interests,
friendship, relationship. VMB 4381

Tall, slender DWF
Mid-40's, enjoys outdoors, movies,
music, travel, sports. Seeking tall
DWM, 45-50, cowboy type, non-
smoker, honest, sincere, long-last-
ing relationship. VMB 4256

SWM, 20's
Enjoys quiet times, having fun,
country music, dancing. Seeks
SWF, 20-30, who likes to try new
things. VMB 1796

SWM, 18
6'7", brown-eyed, country boy, en-
joys dancing, long walks, romantic
evenings. Looking for SWF, 18-20,
for friendship, possible relation-
ship. VMB 1634

Sweet chocolate
SBF, 5'2", 121lbs., brown-eyed,
great personality, attractive, no
children. Enjoys walks, romantic
and quality times. Seeking SBM,
18-25. VMB 3952

SWM, 27
6'2", 195lbs., brown hair, blue
eyes. Seeking SWF, 20-29, who's
into alternative music, clubs, mo-
ies, for friendship, possible relation-
ship. VMB 8987

DCM, 30
Tall, professional male, doesn't
drink or smoke, enjoys friends,
family, animals. Seeking CF, same
values, for friendship. VMB 0301

SWF, mid 50's
Outgoing, caring, sincere. Wanting
that special WM, 50-60, varied in-
terests, for friendship, possible re-
lationship. VMB 1605

SBF, 2

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Apply in Person

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EO/DF/AF

Manager Position

Midland Farmers Co Op is seeking a manager to operate both the farm store and cotton gin. Please send resumes to: Midland Farmers Co Op, Attention: Board of Directors, P.O. Box 473, Midland, Texas 79702. If you have any questions, call 683-2788.

SALES

PART TIME EVENINGS

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening for a person with a pleasant and polite telephone voice. You will be working with customer service and subscriber relations. Hourly wage plus bonuses. Call Gerry at 687-8899, if not in please leave message.

CIRCULATION

The Midland Reporter-Telegram is taking applications for a part-time single copy assistant. You work approximately 20-25 hours per week, Sunday through Friday. This individual will work directly with store managers and news stands. Must have good driving record and reliable vehicle. Company will reimburse mileage.

Apply at: Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois

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The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening on one of its few "special allowance" routes. This larger route receives a \$50 check each Friday, in addition to the regular monthly route profits. The route is:

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As with all newspaper distributorships this opportunity requires a 7 day a week commitment (when you go out of town you must arrange a substitute for yourself) and it is early morning work.

Newspaper distributorships provide great supplemental income for housewives/mothers, senior citizens, college students or any other adult wanting to "moonlight".

Apply in person or contact:

Circulation 688-2700
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PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Large independent oil and gas company has opening for Production Assistant in its Midland office. The successful candidate must be familiar with Texas Railroad Commission rules and regulations & New Mexico State and Federal regulatory and reporting requirements. Duties include generating State and Federal Regulatory Reports and Revenue Settlements, performing allowable gas balancing, interpreting rules and regulations, and advising action needed to maximize production; monitoring/maintaining gas production scheduling, communicating with field office, maintaining volume allocation systems, reconciling purchase statements, field production data, and supporting various volumetric systems to assure accurate reporting. Candidates need minimum of five years related petroleum industry experience, degree preferred but not required. Proficiency on PC, experience with Windows applications, including Word, Excel. Ability to meet crucial deadlines, handle multiple priorities. Send resumes to:

BOX K-10

c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram

P.O. Box 1650

Midland, Texas 79702

RESTAURANT

LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA

is now accepting applications for Assistant Manager Training position. We're looking for honest, hardworking individuals. Food service experience preferred. Please call 520-8016.

MANAGER

WANTED experienced retail manager for mens accessories store. Apply Monday 14th at Fit To Be Tied, Midland Park Mall.

ENGINEERING technician; experienced in construction materials testing (soil, concrete, asphalt) desirable; good math skills; some lifting required; Trinity Engineering, 414 S. Gardner, Odessa.

ALL Positions available - Kentucky Fried Chicken, Apply in person 1814 Midland Drive or 2311 N. Big Spring, Midland, Texas.

DRIVERS

Full and part time drivers for leased. Mornings and weekends. Call 563-5911 for an interview.

GAS ATTENDANT, Lube technician. Must have experience in oil and transmission filter changes. General mechanical knowledge. Apply in person at 2410 N. Big Spring.

ASSISTANT Manager, experienced, with strong leasing ability for apartment community. Please bring resume by 3609 Caldwell.

HAIR STYLIST space available for lease. Call 563-5911 for an opening for a new photo studio. A minimum of 2 years video photography experience is preferred. No calls. Send tapes and resumes to: Kurt A. Kiser, News Director, KOSA-TV, 1211 North Whitaker, Odessa, TX 79706. KOSA-TV is an equal opportunity employer.

APARTMENT MANAGER WANTED. Responsible Resident Manager for westside apartment complex. 682-5307 between 8-5, after 694-2468.

GENERAL MIDLAND business looking for part time person. Flex hours a must. Some evenings and weekends required. Retail experience helpful. Some light bookkeeping. Reply to BOX K-06 c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

MAINTENANCE

NOW accepting applications for full time maintenance personnel. Own tools required. General knowledge of plumbing, heating, A/C, electrical and general maintenance and repairs. Apply in person only 1033 S. Midkiff, Lexington Hotel.

AUDITOR

NOW accepting applications for part time Night Auditor. Apply in person 1003 S. Midkiff, Lexington Hotel.

GENERAL

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IMMEDIATE openings experienced diesel mechanics. Must have own tools, salary depending on experience. Vacation, credit union, health insurance. Apply in person Cisco Ford Equipment, 520 SE Loop 336, Odessa.

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RESTAURANT

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MICROBES, INC. is looking for a select few dedicated and hardworking engineers to train for positions in its domestic and international operations. Responsibilities include engineering MEOR projects, technical support for marketing, field operations and liaison between R&D and operations. Base of operations Midland, Texas. Some international travel. Must have minimum of 10 years experience in production engineering, operations and reservoir engineering. Salary depends upon abilities. All inquiries confidential. Respond to 731 W. Wadley, Bldg. O, Ste. 130, Midland Texas 79705.

WELL established Dallas Independent Oil & Gas Company is now accepting applications for the following in its Dallas office:

OIL & GAS ACCOUNTANT

Responsibilities include preparation of large Joint Interest Billing; gas plant and gas pipeline accounting; State and Federal regulatory forms; financial accounting for several other related entities.

To qualify for this position, you must have a minimum of ten years relevant experience. Actual oilfield knowledge and an accounting degree are required.

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GENERAL

RETAIL help of all kinds needed, shift work. Apply in person Baskin Robbins, 2101 W. Midland, Suite #4.

TELEMARKETERS with at least 1 years experience needed. Part time position, excellent income. Ask for Carol at 681-9440.

NEEDED

FOREIGN CAR TECHNICIAN 2 years experience required. Service advisors contact Mike Ellis Service Manager from 8 am to 10 pm, Monday thru Saturday, Sewell Motor Company, P.O. Box 4072, Odessa Texas 79761, 915-332-0282. Excellent employee benefits.

E.O.E.

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PART TIME Rental Agent. Typing required, good driving record. Must be able to travel. Monday thru Friday, Midland International Airport, National Car Rental.

Medical Help Wanted

REGISTERED NURSE to provide RN 2nd day two days per week for 52 bed nursing facility in Alpine, Texas. Competitive salary plus travel and or accommodation allowance. Contact: Patricia D. Martin, 915-837-3343.

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Willing to work in Lubbock, generate business, self motivated, have managerial marketing and hands on experience in R. Y. Magnetics, Dallas, etc. Write with resumes to P.O. Box 16605, Lubbock Texas 79490-6605.

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To process workman's compensation claims, hospital liens and administration of estates personal bankruptcy and conservatorship cases. Salary commensurate with experience. Submit resumes to: The Banc Building, 230 W. Wall Street, Suite 300, Midland Texas 79701 or fax to 915-684-4491.

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E.O.E.

SALES

AT&T Security Systems Dealer needs sales people. Honesty and integrity a must. Training and pre-set appointments furnished. Apply at Crime Alert Inc., 4500 W. Illinois, Suite 203, 520-9669.

SALES

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Midland, Texas 79701
Attention: Gary G. Jones

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