

NEWS WATCH

Nazi papers

BALTIMORE (AP) — A center devoted to tracing the fates of people held in Nazi concentration camps opened Monday.

The Holocaust and War Victims Time Tracing and Information Center, run by the American Red Cross, now has on file more than 46 million documents about approximately 13 million people and includes documents which were recovered by Soviet soldiers when the camps were liberated at the end of the war.

People wishing to learn the fate of relatives or friends can contact local American Red Cross chapters, which will send the requests to the Baltimore center.

Wish lists

Although Halloween is a month away, young ones across the nation are already making their lists and checking it twice for the Christmas gifts they want from Santa: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Dick Tracy stuff, musical instruments, The Simpsons games, dolls and shirts, and Nintendo games and accessories are most likely to be seen under the 1990 Christmas tree, according to toy industry insiders.

Please see CHRISTMAS/10

Old park

SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — Sequoia celebrates its centennial Tuesday as the second-oldest national park with its superintendent hoping the home of the world's biggest trees will be even better 100 years from now.

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'The Fonz'

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Henry Winkler held the attention of untold youngsters as "The Fonz" on the "Happy Days" television series. Now he wants the ear of parents.

Winkler told the Third Annual Governor's Conference on Families that the root of many problems facing families is that children do not have a sense of their own worth.

"The self image, if it is damaged, is like poison," said Winkler. As a child, he said, he was a bad student and was considered stupid and lazy.

Winkler, 45, a father of three, said low self-esteem was a problem even during the years he played Fonzie.

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Crude oil price closes at \$38.25 per barrel

Analysts predict that if war breaks out in the Mideast, the price of oil could reach \$60.

By Dirk Beveridge

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil prices jumped to near \$40 per barrel on the futures market Monday, about double the price before Iraq invaded Kuwait and close to the cash prices paid 10 years ago during the Iranian revolution.

Wholesale unleaded gasoline and home heating oil shot over \$2 per gallon

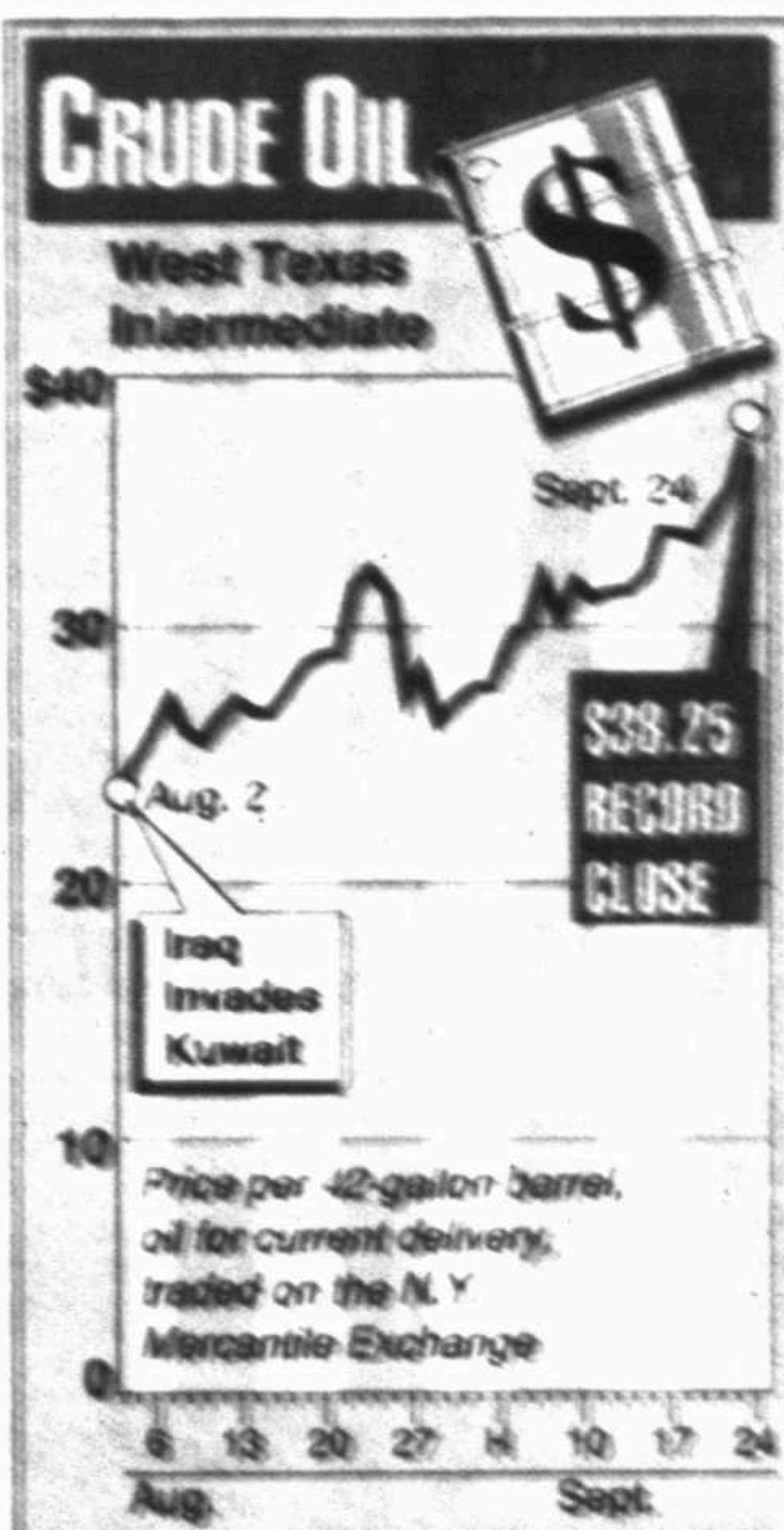
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as the market responded to amplified fears about the Persian Gulf crisis.

"If war breaks out and affects Saudi Arabia, prices could go much higher," said Philip L. Dodge, an analyst with Nomura Securities International Inc. "That seems to be the expectation now."

Meanwhile, stock prices declined Monday in response to the Gulf crisis and other factors affecting the economy, especially the precarious position of the nation's banks. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 38.41 at 2,452.97.

After peaking at \$39.20 per barrel in the afternoon, light sweet crude oil for November delivery settled up \$2.82 at \$38.25 per barrel. That's a record price for the benchmark grade of oil on the New York Mercantile Exchange, where oil futures have been traded since 1983. Crude opened the day at \$37.20, sur-



Source: Bloomberg Financial Markets AP

passing a record set Friday, then quickly rose above the \$38 mark, where it stayed for the rest of the trading session.

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Iraq condemned by U.N. as 'a warlike state'

General Assembly assails Saddam Hussein's actions, setting the stage for a Security Council vote on extending sanctions.

Associated Press

World leaders opened a U.N. General Assembly session Monday by condemning Iraq as a warlike state for its invasion of Kuwait, as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein vowed to fight for "a thousand years" to keep the oil-rich emirate.

French President Francois Mitterrand delivered the first of a series of condemnations of Iraq, warning that Iraq's aggression could lead to global anarchy.

Leaders from Brazil, Argentina, Poland and Indonesia joined the chorus of condemnation that opened the 46th session of the General Assembly, while the Iraqi U.N. ambassador watched in silence. The speakers set the stage for a Security Council vote Tuesday on extending sanctions against Iraq to include an air embargo.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze speaks Tuesday, and President Bush is to address the 160-member

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assembly next Monday.

Bush said in Washington on Monday "I'm not going to be distracted" by Saddam's efforts to link the crisis with the Israeli-Palestinian dispute.

"First we've got to take care of the situation that exists right now, naked aggression of one country against the other. That cannot be permitted to stand," Bush told a group of Arab-American leaders in Washington.

Saddam has suggested one way to ease the crisis would be for Israel to leave the Arab territories it has occupied since 1967.

Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, was to address the United Nations the same day as Bush, but he has insisted on traveling to New York aboard Iraq's flag carrier, Iraqi Airways. The United States has not approved landing rights.

In Washington, the State Department

Please see GULF/2A

CAF engine parts arrive in Midland

By Ed Todd

Staff Writer

The volunteer spirit behind the Confederate Air Force (CAF) shined brightly under cloudy skies on Monday afternoon in Midland.

That's when the first load of radial and in-line aircraft engines to be overhauled to power some of the CAF's flying Ghost Squadron of vintage aircraft was trucked into Midland from Harlingen.

"It's like having your first baby," said CAF Col. Bill Pounds, the move's logistics coordinator. "This is the start of the labor pains."

Monday's float-load of two radial and four in-line piston engines is the first of about 90 loads of aircraft parts, including 25 loads of engines, to be trucked the 650-mile South Texas-to-West Texas route.

The new home base of the CAF at Midland International Airport is to be dedicated on Dec. 7, 1991, after the proposed world-class CAF museum, hangars, offices and storage buildings are built.

"We are very enthused about it," Pounds said of the move.

Please see CAF/2A

Group seeks MCHD tax rollback election

By Erin Blair

Staff Writer

A few taxpayers are mad as heck and they're not going to take it anymore.

A dozen disgruntled Midlanders met at Edna Walger's home Monday night to plot a rollback petition targeting Midland County Hospital District, which recently approved a 19.6 percent tax increase to cover the soaring costs of indigent medical care.

Mrs. Walger told the group, Citizens to Abolish Taxpayer Abuse, that they needed to be disciplined and strong to fight the district.

"Please remember your history lessons," she said. "This free and democratic country came into being when a handful of rag-tag colonists took on King George and the most powerful country in the world at that time — England."

"They, too, were fighting against unfair taxes. Pray that there is still some of that pioneer courage left in America and specifically Midland."

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Progression of infection that leads to AIDS will be studied

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal health officials are collaborating with several hundred physicians in the United States and Canada to gather more information about the progression of the infection that leads to AIDS.

The study will give medical researchers a better picture of which symptoms and diseases are most common in different groups of patients infected with the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS, officials said in announcing the study Monday.

It also will provide information on what treatments patients are using and will help researchers identify medical changes that occur as HIV infection progresses towards acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said the study was expected to "result in the most comprehensive collection of information on HIV-infected persons amassed in the history of the AIDS epidemic."

Patient confidentiality will be protected, he added.

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Sarana Savage, left, Texas Department of Health HIV specialist, and Southwest AIDS Committee Chairman Terry Call are

excited about what a new TDH grant will mean to patient care in Midland and Odessa.

TDH paving way in Basin for case management office

By Allen E. Howland

Assistant City Editor

ODessa — HIV/AIDS patients in the Permian Basin finally have a single place to go for help with the challenges they face.

Using a \$64,300 grant from the Texas Department of Health, OASIS (Office of AIDS Services and Individual Support) is ready to open its first permanent facility.

The funds, which were directed through the Southwest AIDS Committee (SWAC) in El Paso, will be used to rent the space at 1522 N. Grandview and pay salaries of two caseworkers, one of whom already has been hired.

The role of the case manager will resemble that of a traffic cop, explained SWAC director Terry Call. The primary job will be to keep track of patients' needs, and direct them to the appropriate person at the correct agency.

One of the best things for AIDS patients is to do as much as they can for as long as possible. "But they know we're there if needed," said Call.

The caseworker will be equipped to shift gears from traffic cop to patient advocate, if the situation warrants. Having the physical and emotional support to face bureaucracy and red tape is important to medical well-being, Call said.

The OASIS office will act as a contractor for TDH, providing patient services, referrals and counseling. TDH Region 3 HIV specialist Sarana Savage said she hopes the office "hits the ground running Oct. 1."

Work on getting the office ready, complete with "363" telephone service for residents of Midland and Odessa, is under way.

■ Midland AIDS activist Daniel Saltzman has role in forum/1B

AIDS IN WEST TEXAS

An update on where we are ... and what's ahead

Although there are fewer than 40 officially counted cases of AIDS in the Permian Basin, the actual number is likely much higher. Regardless of the exact number, the effects of the deadly disease are being felt here.

Today, Midland and Odessa are marshaling their resources to respond to patient needs and address community concerns.

The funding year for the grant began Sept. 1. That day marked the end of another local grant from TDH. Odessa's Sherrie Wilson has conducted a year-long assessment of needs and services in the Permian Basin.

Although the final draft of the project report is yet to be published, Ms. Wilson's preliminary findings were consistent with anecdotal evidence from those interviewed for this series.

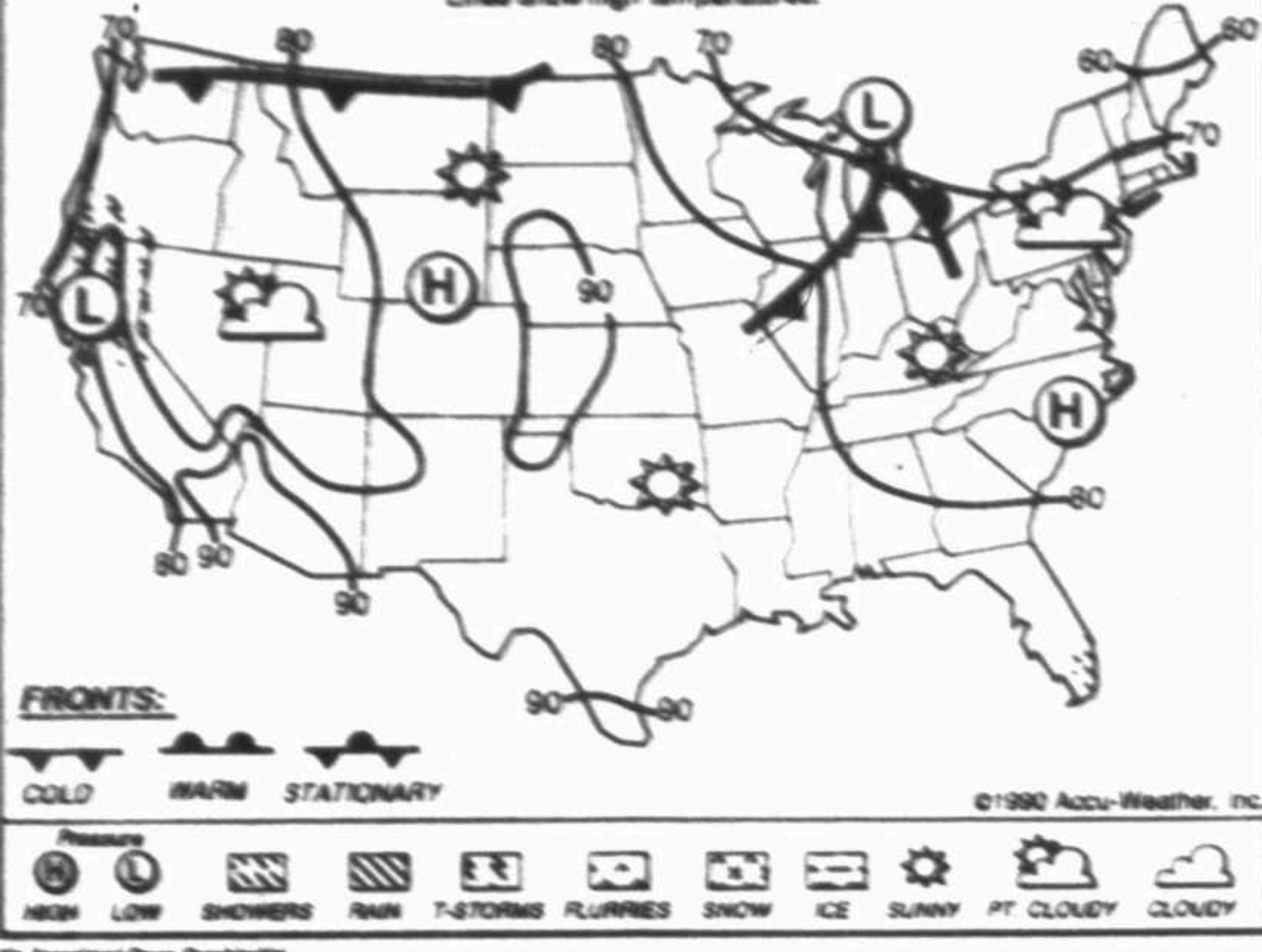
Among the facts she documented are:

- Persons with AIDS (PWAs) generally don't fully use the available services in Midland and Odessa.

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WEATHER SUMMARY

The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Sept. 25.
Lines show high temperatures.



Sunny skies forecast

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high in the mid-80s and 10 to 15 mph southwest winds, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight is expected to be mostly fair with a low in the mid-50s, NWS said. Wednesday's forecast calls for mostly sunny with a high in the mid-80s, NWS said.

The record high for Sept. 24 of 101 was set in 1977. The record low of 42 for today's date was set in 1989. Monday's high was 73, after an overnight low of 58.

STATE

A flood warning remained in effect Monday for portions of the Rio Grande area.

Otherwise, West Texas skies were partly cloudy from the Panhandle to the South Plains.

Some roads remained closed in the Concho Valley area because of high water from rains of the past few days.

Late afternoon temperatures got as high as the 70s. The wind was south to southwest from 10 to 20 mph.

In South Texas, middle and high cloudiness prevailed, and skies were generally partly cloudy.

Winds were south to northeast across the region at 5 to 15 mph. The afternoon temperatures ranged from the 70s most sections with some 80s.

Temperatures were unseasonably mild with afternoon readings in the 70s.

Afternoon extremes ranged 54 degrees at Guadalupe Pass to 89 degrees at Harlingen.

The North Texas forecast calls for mostly sunny and warmer temperatures Tuesday. Fair Tuesday night and Wednesday. Highs Tuesday mostly in the 80s.

The Associated Press also contributed to this report.

Midland statistics

Today: Mostly sunny skies, high in the mid-80s, winds southwest 10-15 mph.

Tonight: Mostly fair, low in the mid-50s.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, high in the mid-80s.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:

Yesterday's High: 73 degrees

Overnight Low: 58 degrees

Season today: 7-43 p.m.

Summer tomorrow: 7-39 a.m.

Precipitation: 0.00 inches

Last 24 hours: 02.81 inches

This month to date: 11.18 inches

Year to date: 11.18 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

6 a.m.	60	9 a.m.	68
7 a.m.	65	10 a.m.	72
8 a.m.	68	11 a.m.	75
9 a.m.	70	12 noon	78
10 a.m.	72	1 p.m.	80
11 a.m.	75	2 p.m.	82
12 noon	78	3 p.m.	84
1 p.m.	80	4 p.m.	86
2 p.m.	82	5 p.m.	88
3 p.m.	84	6 p.m.	90
4 p.m.	86	7 p.m.	92
5 p.m.	88	8 p.m.	94

Texas temperatures

Alice	80	92
Alpine	68	83
Amarillo	79	93
Austin	82	90
Beaumont-Port Arthur	77	90
Beaumont	80	90
Brownsville	88	97
Bryan-College Station	79	94
Childress	79	90
Corpus Christi	84	93
Corpus Christi NAS	83	90
Del Rio	81	91
Dallas	79	92
Dallas Love Field	77	87
Dallas NAS Field	77	87
El Paso	78	94
Fort Worth	77	93
Fort Worth Meacham	79	94
Galveston	74	85
Hondo	78	90
Houston Hobby Airport	75	90
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Marfa	77	92
McAllen	80	90
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Midland	79	93
Mineral Wells	82	97
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County forecasts

Midland, Ector, Crane, Upton, Howard, Andrews, Martin, Garza, Glasscock, Borden, Reagan and Dawson: Tuesday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 80s. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Tuesday night, mostly fair. Low in the mid 50s. Wednesday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 80s.

Starting, Tom Green, Irion and Coke: Tuesday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 80s. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. Tuesday night, mostly fair. Low in the upper 50s. Wednesday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 80s.

Area forecast

West Texas — Mostly clear skies Panhandle and South Plains through Wednesday. Decreasing clouds by Tuesday afternoon and mostly fair Tuesday night and Wednesday. Elsewhere over southern sections becoming partly cloudy by daylight and clearing Tuesday. Isolated showers with a few thunderstorms possible far west tonight. Low Tuesday night mostly in the 50s. Highs Tuesday and Wednesday in the 80s except 70s in southwest mountains.

Border forecasts

New Mexico: Fair to partly cloudy Tuesday through Wednesday with isolated afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms over the mountains. Warm or again Tuesday. Low Tuesday night 50s and 60s mountains with 40s and 50s elsewhere. Highs Tuesday and Wednesday mostly 80 and 70s mountains with upper 70s to 80s at lower elevations.

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GULF: General Assembly condemns Iraq

(From 1A)

said Aziz had U.S. permission to attend the U.N. session. But it was not clear what was meant by the U.S. decision, reported by department spokeswoman V. Kim Hogard, to allow Aziz to come to the United States "commercially."

Iraq said Monday it had rebuffed an offer from the United States to allow the plane to land — if Baghdad releases more than 1,000 Americans being held in Iraq and Kuwait since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion.

"Iraq categorically rejects any link between this issue and any other issue," said the official Iraqi News Agency, monitored in Cyprus.

State Department officials said they had no knowledge of such a claim by Iraq.

Aziz was not on hand as Mitterrand assailed the Baghdad government and said the international community would not retreat from its demand that Iraq give up Kuwait.

"How could we not be disgusted by the taking of thousands of hostages?" Mitterrand asked, referring to the 280 French citizens and other Westerners being held in Iraq and Kuwait.

France, a former friend and arms merchant to Iraq, sent 4,000 troops to the gulf region after Iraqi soldiers raided the French

OIL: Price of West Texas crude nears \$40 a barrel

(From 1A)

The sharp rise had speculators guessing that oil futures might soon hit the \$40 mark, matching the cash price paid in 1980.

The Permian Corp., Marathon Oil and Texaco Trading and Transportation reported \$37 posted prices, which was a \$2.75 jump from Friday's close of \$34.25.

Trader Ed Kevelson at Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. said the new highs were coming in fairly light volume as Monday's rapid rise scared off some investors.

The surge was attributed to saber-rattling from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who indicated he might launch an all-out war, possibly by attacking Saudi oil fields, rather than allow the U.N. trade

embargo to "strangle" Iraq. Recent estimates have put the price of oil at \$60 per barrel if a shooting war breaks out.

Oil's dramatic rise helped jack up the price of refined petroleum products, which had been moving steadily higher recently on fears of supply shortages.

Home heating oil was up 6.71 cents to \$1.039 per gallon for October delivery. Unleaded gasoline rose 6.78 cents to \$1.042 per gallon for October contracts.

Gasoline futures last traded above \$1 on Aug. 24, while heating oil futures had not been that high since the price spike last December.

Natural gas also rose sharply Monday, with November contracts up 6.4 cents to \$1.936 per 1,000 cubic feet.

CAF: Load of aircraft parts lands in Midland

(From 1A)

"People who are involved are so helpful. The volunteers are coming through." And without volunteers, "there would be no Confederate Air Force."

Coming up with a completion date for the move is problematic.

"There are so many variables," said Pounds. "We've air shows we've got to complete," including the CAF's AirSho'90 Oct. 12-14, at Valley International Airport in Harlingen. "We're depending on the weather. We're depending on volunteer transportation. We're going to continue to move full speed ahead until we get this thing done."

The CAF's first truckload of World War II aircraft engines hauled to Midland from the CAF's Rebel Field at Harlingen included:

■ Rolls-Royce Merlin V-12 engines used to power models of the North American Aviation P-51 Mustang, the British Vicker Supermarine Spitfire, and the Hawker Hurricane.

■ The Allison V-12 engines used to power early P-51 Mustangs, the Curtiss P-40 Warhawk, the Lockheed P-38 Lightning and the Bell P-39 Airacobra.

■ The Wright R-3350 radial engine, which powered the four-engine Boeing B-29 Superfortress.

■ The Pratt & Whitney R-1830 radial engine, which powered such aircraft as the U.S. Navy Grumman F4F Wildcat, the Douglas C-47 Skytrain, and the Consolidated Vultee B-24 Liberator.

Randy Wilson, leader of the CAF's Dallas-Fort Worth Wing and a Wildcat pilot, said that moving the CAF to the relatively dry climate of West Texas from the humid Gulf Coast is "one of the best things that's ever happened to the CAF."

The dry climate is more conducive to aircraft preservation.

"The majority of our wing members are just overjoyed to see it come to a new home with so much hospitality among the people of Midland and Odessa," Wilson said. "The whole Permian Basin area seems to be welcoming us with open arms. We're going to do our best to justify their hopes and have a world-class museum here," he said.

"We're looking forward to coming up here to the dry-air climate. It's good flying weather."

TAX: Group will be gathering signatures for petition

(From 1A)

Mrs. Walger said she had attended an American Association of Retired Persons meeting last week and signed up several volunteers to circulate petitions among the membership.

She also has been sending letters to local papers, "but I'm only allowed one a month so everybody interested in this thing should write a letter to the paper encouraging everyone to sign the petition."

Joe Dawson distributed copies of the petition to participants and discussed the procedure for demanding a rollback election.

The Citizens to Abolish Taxpayer Abuse have two months to get the signatures of 10 percent of the registered voters in Midland County. Dawson said 47,673 voters were on the rolls.

By the end of November, 90 days after the tax rate was approved, the group must hand over the petition to the hospital district,



Alex Sherwood unbuckles a crate of Confederate Air Force aircraft parts which he trucked to Midland from Harlingen. Aircraft engines in the foreground and behind the

crate are in-line V-12 Allison and Rolls-Royce Merlin engines which powered some American and British fighters. At back is a radial engine.

Tom Cloyd, who pilots the CAF's B-29 and B-24, said that the move to West Texas is "terrifically thrilling" and is the "greatest thing" that has happened to the CAF.

Cloyd, a former Midlander who lives in El Paso, said that the B-29 and the B-24 will be among CAF aircraft headquarter-based in Midland.

Of the CAF's 145 warplanes from the 1939-45 era, most are based at sponsoring CAF wings and squadrons across the United States. About 90 of the aircraft, including pursuit fighters, bombers, trainers, and transports, are flying, and the others are in various stages of restoration.

Many CAF Flying Museum aircraft are on tour from April through October.

"To me, there's nothing more thrilling than flying the B-29 — the last of a flyable airplane," which was the largest bomber produced in the war. "It's a thrill to fly, and it's a thrill to take it around the United States and to show people part of our American heritage," Cloyd said.

Most of the CAF aircraft and privately owned warbirds whose owner-pilots are CAF members will be in Midland in December 1991 for the CAF dedication.

Dr. Casey Kay, vice chancellor of Abilene Christian University and chairman of the board of the CAF's American Air Power Heritage Foundation, said he is "convinced the CAF's growth potential in Midland is tremendous."

"Midland has a sense of pride," said Kay, who is member of the CAF governing General Staff. "When you're out here on the last frontiers of freedom, you learn to have great appreciation for these pioneers and their spirit: faith, self-reliance, dedication, commitment."

"We've had just tremendous community support for this project," Kay said. "Already, we feel at home."

"It's going to be a monumental job to get all of the stuff in and cataloged," said George Coombes, a former World War II U.S. Navy aviator. "It's got to be done, and we're going to have to rise to the

occasion."

Work includes overhauling the old engines and restoring airframes.

"I think it's going to help Midland out a lot and gives some of us older fellows something to do — help restore some of this old airplanes," said Midland pilot Chuck Keegan.

Other than aircraft and aircraft parts, the CAF move will include approximately 70,000 World War II museum-quality artifacts.

Coombes noted that there are aircraft "junkyards everywhere."

But, other than aircraft on static display in museums, the CAF is "where most of them that are worth anything" eventually be located.

Bill Jessup, a former U.S. Army Air Corps fighter and bomber pilot, said the CAF vintage aircraft and engines "bring back old memories" from the war days.

"It's a period in an era," Jessup said, "that will never repeat itself."

The next meeting of Citizens to Abolish Taxpayer Abuse will be at 7 p.m. Oct. 8 at Cafe West.

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AIDS: Infection to be studied

(From 1A)

"The more information we have about HIV-infected persons, the faster we can advance our AIDS research," said HHS Assistant Secretary for Health James Mason.

The study will allow researchers to compile a data base on a broad spectrum of HIV patients and will help physicians identify patients who can participate in clinical trials of experimental drugs, officials said.

More than 30 community-based clinics and programs in the United States and Canada will participate in the study. They include 18 sponsored by the National Institute of

Allergy and Infectious Diseases and 15 sponsored by the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

Several hundred physicians will be able to enroll patients they see at these clinics and programs, as well as patients they see in their private practices. These physicians care for more than 80,000 HIV-infected patients, according to the research foundation.

Every three to six months during a regular clinic visit, physicians will ask all patients in the study a set of questions about their health and the drugs they are taking.

Neil

WASHINGTON
dent Bush's son Ne judge Tuesday in rare public hearing lead to his being working for a bank loan.

Federal regulator Bush, 35, of conflict his former role as Silverado Banking Loan Association, that failed in late mated cost to a billion.

The hearing before a five-member panel of the House of Representatives was the first of a series of public hearings on the case. The panel is working to determine if there was any wrongdoing in the case.

Senators ready

WASHINGTON
ate Judiciary Committee ready to approve of Judge David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court after a vote by the Senate.

Senators Howell Heflin, D-Ala., and Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., joined the five Republican members of the 14-member panel who have made public their support for Souter in advance of Thursday's vote.

Three years ago from Heflin, DeConcini, Arlen Specter, R-Pa., and other Republicans helped doom the controversial Judge to the high court.

Heflin made clear he sees Souter, like

Neil Bush's public hearing scheduled for today

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's son Neil goes before a judge Tuesday in Denver for a rare public hearing that could lead to his being barred from working for a bank or savings and loan.

Federal regulators have accused Bush, 35, of conflict of interest in his former role as a director of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan Association, a Denver thrift that failed in late 1988 at an estimated cost to taxpayers of \$1 billion.

The hearing before an administrative law judge is the centerpiece of the government's complex proceeding against Bush, which has taken the form of a paperwork battle since the Office of Thrift Supervision filed the charges in February.

The OTS is seeking an order

against Bush, an oil and gas developer, to effectively bar him from working for a bank or a savings and loan. The agency contends that Bush failed to adequately disclose to Silverado his business relationships with developers Kenneth M. Good and Bill L. Walters, two big borrowers from Silverado who defaulted on their loans.

Bush could have avoided a public hearing by agreeing not to dispute the conflict-of-interest charges, as other S&L officials have done in nearly all such previous cases. By fighting the government, he has taken the case out of attorneys' and regulators' offices into a public forum.

"The swords are drawn," Bush's attorney, James Nesland, said recently.

Bush plans to testify in his own defense at the hearing, which is



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expected to continue through most of the week.

Although such a public hearing is almost unprecedented, the participants don't expect any fireworks or courtroom drama. In fact, Nesland said, "This is going to be an extraordinarily boring hearing."

That's because it will mainly be a replay of written testimony already submitted to the administrative law judge, Daniel J. Davidson. Regulators and outside experts will be cross-examined on that testimony by attorneys for the two sides.

The judge won't issue an opinion for some time and the government isn't expected to issue a ruling in the case until spring.

Earlier this year, five other former directors and officers of Silverado, including former chairman Michael R. Wise and loan officer Russell Murray, agreed not to dispute the OTS' administrative charges against them.

Bush also faces a separate \$200 million lawsuit filed last week

against him and other Silverado directors by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. The civil suit accuses the directors, including Bush, of "gross negligence" that contributed to Silverado's collapse.

Since he appeared in May before a congressional committee investigating Silverado's collapse, Bush's fight with the regulators has consisted mostly of briefs and counterbriefs submitted to Davidson.

Now regulators, journalists and Davidson himself have trekked from Washington to Denver. Bush's home turf, for the hearing starting Tuesday in a federal courtroom. The hearing before Davidson is being held in Denver because the now-defunct Silverado was based there.

Bush is scheduled to be the final

witness of 11 — eight for the government and three for Bush.

Davidson is expected to make his recommendation by Dec. 6 to OTS Director Timothy Ryan.

The law judge could recommend that the regulators' proposed cease-and-desist order against Bush be issued, or he could advise against it. The order would bar Bush from engaging in future actions that would involve a conflict of interest.

Davidson also could recommend a stronger prohibition order, OTS Chief Counsel Harris Weinstein said last week.

The cease-and-desist order proposed by OTS would stop short of banning Bush from the financial institutions industry, but could impose strict conditions on his holding such a job.

Senate committee appears ready to OK Souter nomination

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Judiciary Committee appeared ready to approve the nomination of Judge David Souter to the Supreme Court after its two conservative Democrats announced their support Monday.

Senators Howell Heflin, D-Ala., and Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., joined the five Republicans on the 14-member panel who have made public their support for Souter in advance of Thursday's vote.

Souter

Three years ago, opposition from Heflin, DeConcini and Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., the most liberal Republican on the panel, helped doom the nomination of controversial Judge Robert Bork to the high court. All three support Souter.

Heflin made clear Monday that he sees Souter, like Bork a conser-

vative, as temperamentally different than the dogmatic Bork.

"Judge Souter will not bring a scorched-earth philosophy to the court, but he will bring a sense of historic perspective and a clear-headed approach to the analysis of legal issues," said Heflin, a chief justice in Alabama before joining the Senate.

"He has not chosen to turn back the clock on the great constitutional principles of our day," said DeConcini, recalling the rhetoric used against Bork.

The six other Democrats and one Republican on the panel have not yet stated their positions but no one on the panel has said he'd vote "no." In the entire Senate, only Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., has announced that he opposes Souter.

Cranston based his opposition on Souter's refusal to say how he would vote on overturning Roe vs. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion.

"I cannot support a nominee who refuses to acknowledge that a

woman's right to choose to terminate a pregnancy is a fundamental right," Cranston said Monday.

"To me, the right of privacy in matters relating to family life and procreation goes to the very essence of the liberty and freedom from government control that Americans deeply cherish," Cranston said.

Undecided Senate liberals were coming under some pressure to oppose the nomination.

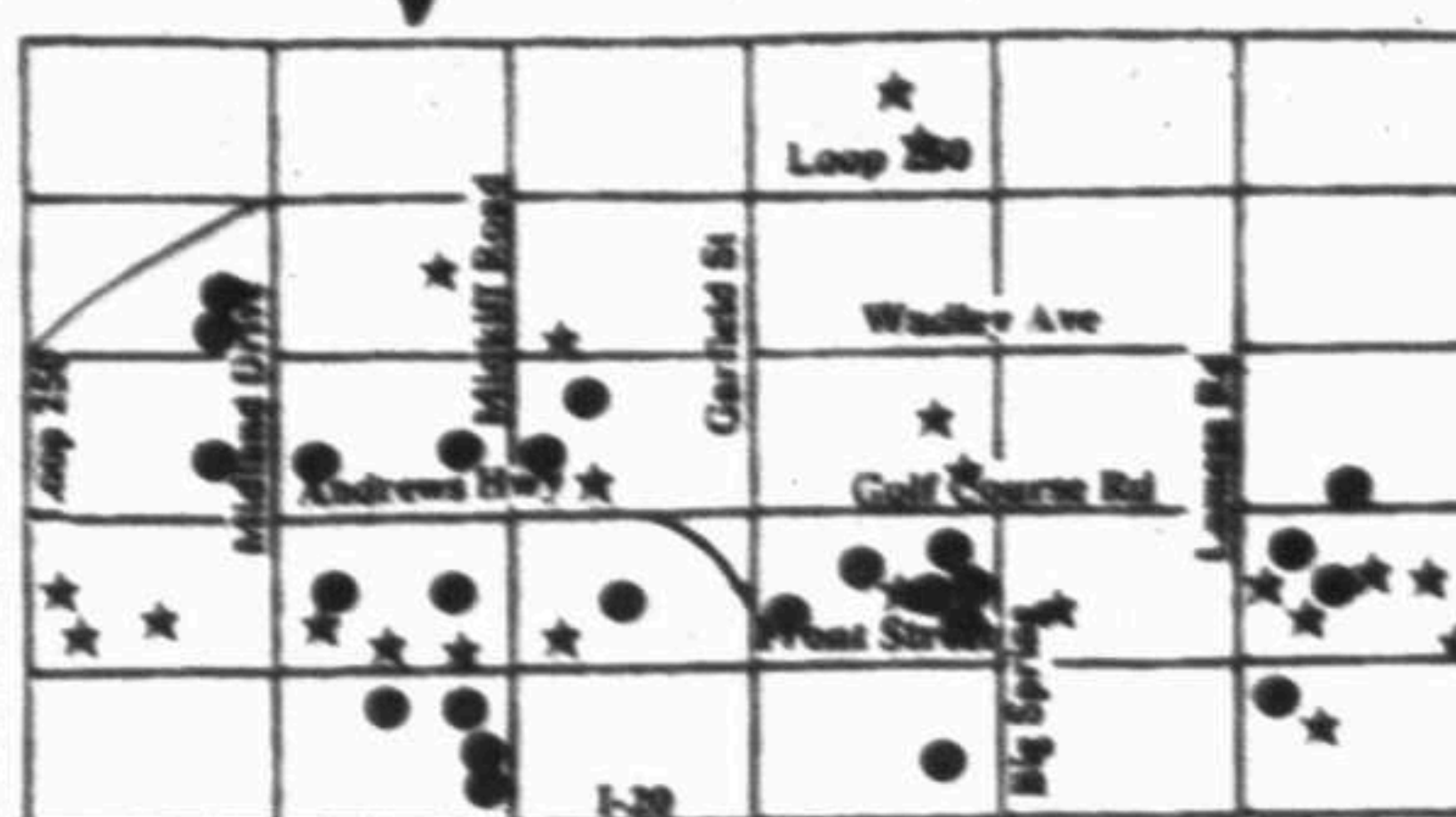
Over the weekend, the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, an influential coalition of rights groups, called for the Senate to reject Souter.

"We do not believe that David Souter has demonstrated that he has a commitment to constitutional guarantees of individual rights and liberties," the group said. It cited as "astonishing" Souter's statement during the committee's hearings that his home state of New Hampshire does not have racial problems.



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AIDS

IN WEST TEXAS

System's shortcomings underscored

By Allen E. Howland

Assistant City Editor

For a medical care delivery system already strained at its seams, AIDS may be the problem that causes it to burst.

Many in health care professions agree with Dr. Baruch Brody, director of the Center for Ethics, Medicine and Public Issues at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston: AIDS has not created significant new problems for the health delivery system. It has merely accelerated the exposure of existing shortcomings.

The hardest question facing those in medicine is "Will AIDS cause a breakdown in the delivery system of health care and in the financing of health care in the country?" Brody told reporters at a Baylor media seminar last month.

Other AIDS-related problems — many of them are monumental, such as questions of confidentiality, death and dying issues, the dilemma of abortion for HIV-infected mothers — pale in significance to monetary questions surrounding care delivery, he said.

"What types of choices and what kinds of priorities will we have to face?" Brody rhetorically asked.

"Many AIDS patients arrive at hospitals in the later stages of their illness without insurance. Some of the high-risk groups traditionally are people without insurance. The overwhelming majority of IV drug abusers are not those solid, hard-working citizens with good health insurance whose AIDS needs are going to be met.

"When AIDS was primarily a disease of the gay community — and as increasingly it's not that — at least for a portion of the time patients had health insurance. So the question of how their health care would be paid for was at least not immediately pressing, although it might have long-term implications for insurance rates.

"But we're dealing more and more with a different type of population. Add to that the fact that increasingly AIDS is a disease of minority communities — who often have other problems about being underinsured or non-insured — a problem that is going to be faced almost entirely by public hospitals.

"And that's a real concern."

Public hospitals already are overcrowded, struggling to find resources to provide decent care for the overwhelming number of people still sitting in those waiting rooms, Brody said.



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— Dr. Baruch Brody, Baylor College of Medicine

Nationally, public hospitals — such as Midland Memorial Hospital and Medical Center Hospital in Odessa — provided more than half of inpatient care and more than three-quarters of outpatient services for AIDS, according to a survey by the National Public Health & Hospital Institute (NPHHI).

And the trend toward further concentration of AIDS patients in public hospitals is continuing, the NPHHI concluded in comparing its surveys since 1985.

Surveyed public hospitals showed annual average losses attributable to AIDS care of \$600,000 — \$5,818 per patient. Neither MMH nor MCH have itemized the portion of their indigent care losses that are specifically AIDS-related.

On this problem of crowding: "Superimpose an influx of young people with a lethal illness, but which we can begin to do something about, and you can see how that would totally crowd out these facilities, totally strain their resources," Brody said.

That raises many questions, including the issue of making very expensive

drugs like AZT available to large numbers of asymptomatic patients who could benefit from the treatment, Brody said. In Dallas last year, a state judge ordered Parkland Hospital to provide AZT to all qualified residents.

But the judge stopped short of addressing where the dollars to buy AZT would come from in the pharmacy's limited budget. There would have to be a trade-off, leaving the hospital unable to provide other indigent patients with prescription drugs, he said.

"Our problem is a resource problem," Dr. Stephen Nightingale, medical director of Parkland's AIDS clinic, recently told the trade journal "Hospitals."

Funding problems "would not be solved if AIDS went away."

Early cost estimates of AIDS cases, based on the experience with the first patients, were as high as \$150,000 per patient, as a result of the trial-and-error nature of early treatment. The cost has come down considerably as doctors and hospitals have gained experience.

The Texas Tech Health Science Center in Lubbock recently noted a single uninsured patient can easily run up a bill of \$70,000 — a potentially ruinous burden for a small rural hospital.

However, total per-patient costs appear to be turning another corner, which is a combination of good news and bad, according to Baruch.

"The good news is, they now live longer with treatment. The bad news is that the price of treating them, therefore, is going to go back up again.

"As we get better at turning AIDS into a chronic — serious, but chronic — illness, rather than acute and immediately life threatening, the higher the cost will be." What happens in the public sector — underfunded and incapable of meeting those needs — is a sense of crisis, Brody said.

Because it is very difficult to turn away a dramatically sick patient, hospitals are more likely to cut back on less dramatic cases elsewhere. Longer waits for clinic appointments, fewer drugs than would otherwise be available, other non-dramatic cutbacks will be made by hospitals facing these dilemmas, he said.

The entire situation illustrates the fundamental problem: There is "no mechanism in place for providing health care for those who haven't got some sort of insurance policy."

Midland Memorial Hospital pathologist Dr. Chris Hall said, "the system has been held together with baling wire and chewing gum for too long."

Humanizing AIDS challenge for '90s

By Allen E. Howland

Assistant City Editor

SAN FRANCISCO — Participants in previous international AIDS conferences said the biggest difference in this year's meeting was the presence of persons with the disease throughout the program.

In the crowds, from floor microphones, on massive video screens and at the podium, AIDS/HIV patients of all descriptions spoke eloquently of their plight.

Men and women, young and old, straight and gay, white, black and brown, they told stories of ostracism and despair. Of anger and outrage. Of love and hope.

Dr. Leon McKusick, a San Francisco psychologist "living with HIV," moderated a segment of the opening ceremonies organized to present "personal perspectives" on AIDS.

"As a psychologist, I have worked with men who are struggling with what to do about their HIV infection. These people also labor under the wounding stigmatization that accompanies HIV infection," said McKusick, who also served as co-chair of the Community Task Force that helped shape patient and activist involvement in the entire conference.

"The stigma creates depression, it causes individuals to withdraw from confirming their antibody status through testing. The stigma causes them to abstain from joining clinical trials. The stigma can delay the start of antiviral treatment and hinder seeking social support from family members."

"Acknowledgment, support, dialogue, empathy, compassion. These are the ingredients we have in our midst to continue to destigmatize HIV infection throughout this week," McKusick said.

Twenty-nine-year-old former securities broker Peter Staley endorses a more confrontational means of getting his points across. As a member of New York ACT UP (AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power), Staley also addressed the opening conference session. "I have never been able to view my situation as just a battle between me and HIV."

"I have always been painfully aware that in order for me to beat this virus and live, I will need a great deal of help from all of you as well as from my government," he told the 10,000 researchers, doctors, health care professionals and others filling Moscone Convention Center. "Cooperation between all of us is the fastest way to a cure."

But he admitted losing hope in the ability of the differing sides to work together in ending the crisis. "If anything, the gap ... seems to be widening."

And as for undoing the damage, Staley is equally ambivalent.

"I know we have judged you at times unfairly. I believe that many of you care deeply about ending this crisis and that greed is not your motivation for fighting this disease."

He went on: "I also know that you have frequently judged us unfairly too. Yes, ACT UP has made mistakes, such as choosing an inappropriate target for a demonstration or using an offensive tactic. But let's be fair ... when we make mistakes, what's the fallout? Some people become offended and begin to hate ACT UP."

"Whereas when the government or scientific community makes a mistake, such as the now legendary delays in bringing aerosolized pentamidine to market, thousands of people can die."

He closed with a call to action: "Can we all, before it's too late, begin to understand each other? Will we realize that we share similar motivations? Can we try, at least this week, to bridge the widening gap between us?"

Perhaps nowhere is the gap of AIDS wider than between North America and Africa, where the World Health Organization (WHO) estimates more than 400,000 people have become ill with AIDS in the past 10 years and that more than 3.5 million more are infected with HIV.

Of those who are infected, equal numbers are men and women, a pattern distinct from industrialized nations. And approximately 600,000 are infants and children under age 5, pointed out Eunice Muringo Kiereini, chairman of WHO's Regional Task Force on Nursing and Midwifery.

The stories of these tens of thousands of Africans, Filipinos, Thais and Europeans were told by their doctors, friends and acquaintances since U.S. immigration law prohibited HIV-infected individuals entering the country.

In Mrs. Kiereini, Africans have an eloquent voice, but one with a hollow ring of a death knell. Between AIDS and other diseases which are treatable and immunizable elsewhere in the world, "Africa faces the prospect of up to a 50 percent increase in child mortality during the next 10 years, as women continue to become infected and unknowingly pass the virus on to their children," she said.

"African women bear a double burden in AIDS. As caretakers they face the enormous responsibility of prevention and caring for those who become ill, and if they become ill themselves, they face the prospect of leaving behind a family which may have a difficult survival."

In many communities in this country, the prospects are not appreciably better. Sallie Perryman, a black woman whose perspective on the epidemic has developed watching four members of her family die, knows she too has been exposed to the virus.

Ms. Perryman was exposed to HIV by her husband, an intravenous drug user.

"When most people think of a drug addict, they think of a person sitting, nodding and drooling and scratching lethargically."

"My late husband, however, held a full-time job and was a car-

QUILT FACTS

"Common Threads: Stories from The Quilt," which Sallie Perryman appears, won Best Documentary Oscar in 1988. It recounts the stories of several memorialized on the quilt.

On Oct. 6, "Common Threads: An Uncommon Response" will pay tribute to nearly 100,000 AIDS dead, when names are read simultaneously at five sites where the quilt will be on display in Houston, Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C.

Since it was first unfurled in the nation's capital in 1987, the quilt has grown from 1,320 squares to more than 12,000. Because of its size, it can no longer be displayed in a single location.

Other quilt facts:

- Funds raised for services to PWAs by donations: \$500,000
- Quilt: 1.5 million (as of Sept. 1990)
- Unfurled: All 50 states, D.C., and 21 foreign countries
- Quilt weight: 13 tons

ing and loving man, who contributed to his society and his family," she tearfully recalled.

As her husband — clean and sober for several months before the onset of symptoms — and his brother, a gay man and professional dancer, both began to deteriorate, "we began to feel the economic effect of AIDS and how one's economic position was crucial to the type of health care one can access."

"My brother-in-law, who was in Actor's Equity, had good health insurance coverage, access to better hospitals, health care attendants, buddies, ambulance service and most importantly received (an AIDS) diagnosis so he could obtain Social Security benefits."

Meanwhile, "my husband laid at home, in bed, with his mother and me taking shifts feeding him and assisting with other needs, until he got on public assistance and ended up in an overcrowded city hospital, where health care providers," she said, using the term loosely, "failed to feed him and wash him when he was unable to do this for himself."

Less than 18 months later, her mother-in-law buried a third son, and then a daughter-in-law within another two years.

"An entire generation ... had been wiped out in my family. Since then I've seen the pattern repeat itself in many other families in my neighborhood," said Ms. Perryman, who is among the storytellers in the Oscar-winning documentary, "Common Threads:

Stories from The Quilt."

"My perspective of AIDS is one in which there is a massive waste of human potential due to capricious and arbitrary policies that give more credence to money than to life itself. ... (One where) homophobia, racism and sexism run rampant and life-sustaining forces are denied because of varying ideologies and economics," she said.

She is not alone in feeling ostracized — not only from her ethnic and social community, but also from the "mainstream" AIDS community of gay, white men who are "more economically and politically empowered."

Jeff Monforti, a father of three from Atlanta, who along with his wife and two surviving children are all infected with HIV, spoke of his family's isolation while suffering a disease whose spread in this country has yet to develop along family lines.

The special needs of parents of critically ill youngsters are compounded by their own illnesses, he said. Agencies familiar with working with terminally ill children aren't particularly comfortable with the whole idea of AIDS and HIV infection, while traditional AIDS organizations are ill-equipped to help with day care, parenting pressures and other family issues, Monforti said.

Several conference participants who heard Monforti's tearful presentation opened their arms to his family and offered referrals to local and national groups like Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

The common element of all perspectives of AIDS is stigmatization.

Mrs. Kiereini from Kenya, put it this way: "The stigma comes from fear. Fear comes from ignorance. To dispel fear, education and information are vital. But such presentation must be packaged with compassion."

"I believe this is the challenge for the '90s ... the challenge of humanizing the AIDS problem," she said.

"Each woman or man who is willing to declare themselves as a person living with HIV helps the courageous process of destigmatizing HIV infection. You will then see this woman or this man as your peer," said organizer McKusick during the opening ceremony.

"If the 10,000 here could destigmatize AIDS and HIV infection today, all of us who are living with HIV could step forward and be identified, speak our names and be counted. The millions of us worldwide could organize and become pro-active, to holler for help, to move the system."

"The epidemiology of AIDS would be easier to track. Public health efforts would not be hindered by the existence of that pool of hidden infection. The patient would become accessible."

AIDS in West Texas: Readers Respond

In conjunction with "AIDS in West Texas: An update on where we are ... and what's ahead," the three-part series which begins today, readers are invited to express their opinions about AIDS care in the Permian Basin.

How will Midlanders, with their frequently cited tradition of volunteerism, respond as AIDS spreads outside "easily definable communities"? As teen-agers are increasingly at risk for AIDS, what is the appropriate role of the schools in educating teens about that risk? What do you think?

Letters received by Tuesday, Oct. 16, will be considered for publication in our reader-participation feature, "Sound-Off." They should be addressed to Annemette Moore, Associate City Editor, PO Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

The special community forum will be published Sunday, Oct. 21.

OASIS: Grant from TDH will launch local facility

(From 1A)

■ The Odessa-based PWA support group has suffered image and attendance problems, while past attempts to form a similar group in Midland have consistently failed. Another attempt is under way, but it is too early to measure its success.

■ Rural physicians tend to refer their patients to Midland, Odessa or Lubbock for treatment. The county hospitals in the three cities provide the bulk of acute in-patient care.

■ Hospice care and private home health services are available, but little used.

■ Local PWAs experience considerable social bias and maintain a very low profile regarding their disease and its progression.

"As a population PWAs often don't like each other — for a wide range of reasons — and have no unifying quality other than the disease itself," she found.

Despite these often less-than-positive conditions, Call is upbeat and excited about what the next year can mean to Midland and Odessa.

"Part of the reason we'll be successful here is that we've worked the bugs out of our system in El Paso."

So, the local group will have the backing of individuals well-versed in the mechanics of setting up a network of services for PWAs and HIV-infected individuals, but also attuned to the local community.

"We don't have any interest in running your program here, but if the community were to decide that's what they want, we're capable of doing it," Call explained.

In less than six years, SWAC's budget has ballooned to more than a half-million dollars annually. Those monies come from a wide variety of sources, including community and private foundations, Texas and New Mexico state health authorities and internally generated fund raising proceeds.

In addition, the city of El Paso provides roughly 10 percent — about \$50,000 per year — of the budget. "The city was very wise to come aboard as early as it has to start working to contain this problem."

El Paso has allocated a portion of its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to SWAC. A city can use up to 15 percent of its federal CDBG funds toward social services.

SWAC's Carnell House — a residential hospice for PWAs — is the largest facility of its kind between Dallas and the West Coast, Call said. Its purchase was leveraged with public funds through a forgivable five-year CDBG loan.

SWAC helped OASIS apply for the TDH grant to supply services locally "because someone has to do it. We can't wait any more," she said.

"The grant is exactly what we need to do the things that we need to do," said OASIS chairman-elect Denise Carson.

The group has already — with varying degrees of success — begun work on several goals for OASIS, including creating a speakers bureau, a "safe house," and an army of volunteers to help with housekeeping, chores and respite care as well as providing financial assistance, a supportive group environment and "fun times" for PWAs and their families.

"These people have so much on their minds all the time, we try to help lighten that burden," said Mrs. Carson, who is a registered nurse and mother of three. Her family often gets involved in the social outings for OASIS clients.

"My children are just kids, they don't understand prejudice. To them, everyone at the picnic is just another person," she said.

Involvement in AIDS can be rewarding, but at the same time "very sad," Mrs. Carson said. "These people start out as clients, but I become very attached. They become my dear friends; we're a family."

Most of the people currently developing AIDS symptoms were probably infected long before we knew a lot about the disease and how it is spread, said Ms. Savage of the TDH.

"But it's the people being infected today that make this a sorry, sorry story."

"You always ask yourself what could have been said that would have made the difference, that could have saved a life."

CONFERENCE NOTEBOOK

Tale of two cities

SAN FRANCISCO — This is a city, like Midland, that prides itself on its uniqueness and the sterling qualities of its residents. When confronted with adversity — an earthquake somewhere, an oil price crash, a child trapped in a well or an epidemic disease — the immediate question is "What can I do to help?" not "Can we handle it?"



Howland

Midland created a Community Spirit Award to encourage and recognize the inherent generosity of the human spirit. It is the hometown of the national Christmas in April program and is renowned for the size and success of its annual United Way campaigns.

San Francisco has fostered its own brand of compassion by establishing the "San Francisco Model of AIDS Care."

This "model" is an array of 245 public, voluntary and private AIDS prevention, treatment and support services which exist in The City, as the locals refer to it.

San Franciscans don't call what they do "the San Francisco model," explained George Rutherford, former director of the AIDS Office of the San Francisco Department of Public Health. It's known as getting the job done.

Nevertheless, The City's system of home care — relying primarily on community volunteers and only secondarily on the medical industry — helped define the need for national public policy and contributed to the development of AIDS programs "from Dallas to Berlin," according to Elizabeth Fernandez of the San Francisco Examiner.

Now, less than a decade after the virus was first identified, the "model" is fatigued to the point of collapse, a fact underscored by ACT UP (AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power) demonstrations during the Sixth International AIDS Conference, which marked the first year the meeting has been held in a city with high incidence of the disease.

Hit harder than any city in the nation by the epidemic, San Francisco is virtually tapped out — financially and emotionally. A city with remarkable reserves of compassion and energy has reached the bottom of its well, drained by grief, despair and dreams — those dashed when last week's "miracle cure" proved a mirage and those never dreamed by vital young men and women felled by disease.

At the opposite end of the AIDS-response continuum lies Midland, its compassion and resources yet to be fully tested in the public arena.

But as the epidemic evidences itself locally, "there are people who will be ready," said Linda Goddard, of Christian Life Enrichment Resources Ministries.

"I think people will be surprised — pleasantly," she said, based on her experiences of attending meetings and forums around Midland and Odessa and running into the same small core of concerned, compassionate people.

"They all want to do what they can to help. ... When they're needed, they respond," said Mrs. Goddard, who founded her ministry four years ago.

The most likely way volunteers will be asked to respond is through an advocacy/buddy program for people with AIDS (PWAs). The impetus for the program is Terry Call of the Southwest AIDS Committee (SWAC) in El Paso. SWAC has had a presence in the Permian Basin, through its involvement in Odessa-based OASIS, since 1988.

But with last month's granting of \$64,300 in Texas Department of Health funds to OASIS for patient services in the 17-county Permian Basin region, the SWAC approach to case management and overall AIDS care will become more noticeable locally.

That approach to meeting patient needs is, in turn, patterned on — you guessed it — the San Francisco model. Specifically SWAC's volunteer-training and counseling programs are a modified version of the Shanti Project.

Shanti was founded in the early '70s for people with life-threatening illnesses and began seeing PWAs in 1981, before the condition even had a name.

SWAC has distilled Shanti's 40-hour volunteer training regimen by half — into an intensive 20-hour training weekend, which Call hopes to begin locally within a year.

The San Francisco model isn't just buddy programs, AIDS wards, hospices and home health care. Mayor Art Agnos explained during his welcome to the four-day conference. It has included highly controversial — even by San Francisco standards — aspects, such as the largest needle exchange program in North America, called Prevention Point and Project Inform, which coordinated underground testing of unlicensed drugs "because the system did not want to deal with people who wanted to take responsibility for their own choices," Agnos said.

"Never in history have we faced an epidemic that we knew how to stop (abstinence from sex or drugs, explicit education, condom use, needle cleaning, etc.) and then debated the political wisdom of the steps needed to bring the epidemic to an end."

Agnos decried politicizing AIDS issues while unleashing political broadsides against an administration that "would rather debate how to protect the fabric of the flag, than how to protect the fabric of the lives of our people."

During the same opening session, Dr. Robert Wachter, chairman of the conference's program committee, chose a particularly appropriate parable for his remarks:

"Two men are discussing heaven and hell. 'I will show you hell,' said one, and they went into a room with a large pot of stew in the middle. The smell was delicious, but around the pot sat people who were famished and desperate.

"All were holding spoons with very long handles that reached to the pot, but because the spoons were longer than their arms, it was impossible to get the stew back in their mouths. Their suffering was terrible.

"Now I will show you heaven," said the man, and they went into an identical room. There was a similar pot of stew, and the people had identical spoons.

"But they were well-nourished and happy, talking to each other. For a brief moment, the other man did not understand. 'It is simple,' said the first. 'You see, they have learned to feed each other,'" Wachter said.

Midland has the resources and the tools. Here's hoping we learn to feed one another.

Allen Howland, assistant city editor of the Reporter-Telegram, attended the Sixth International AIDS Conference in San Francisco.



Foster mother Annie Honeycutt, 34, left, holds Fletcher, 6, and Rico, 3 — both retarded and epileptic. Ruth Bell, above, displays a loaf of bread produced at her Detroit bakery. Each woman is fighting her way off welfare rolls.

A new welfare revolution?

Using mentors and motherhood, more looking for a way out

By Sharon Cohen

Associated Press Writer

DETROIT — When Annie Honeycutt became a foster mother to two retarded brothers, she knew it would be an all-consuming job. But she also knew it carried a bonus: freedom.

When Ruth Bell turned her baking talents into a business, she realized it would be a dawn-to-dusk, seven-day work week. But it, too, had a long-term reward: an easier life.

Two different paths, the same destination. These Detroit women hunger for self-sufficiency, to be free of the stigma and shame of welfare. They're among the thousands of people on public aid nationwide experimenting with new ways to escape their skin-of-the-teeth lives. Some are becoming entrepreneurs, others students. A few even are opting for motherhood again.

"There's a welfare revolution going on," said Richard Nathan, director of the Rockefeller Institute of Government at the State University of New York. "The question is, how far will it go? Every state is doing something."

In Michigan, former welfare mothers are paid to be foster mothers to disabled children. In Iowa, the once-unemployed now are self-employed. In one Indiana county, "mentors" advise those on the public dole. In Ohio, some teen parents earn money for attending school. And in Wisconsin, some poor families lose money if their kids don't.

"We're trying to change the signals and services and mind-set ... so that the welfare bureaucracy cares more and does more for people to make it on their own, instead of just paying them money," said Nathan. "Do you give people fish or do you teach them to fish? Now what we're trying to do is teach people to fish."

Most of the ventures aren't traditional "workfare" programs trading government welfare checks for jobs. Many emphasize counseling and training. There's also a bigger push for education; a California program makes reading and math instruction mandatory, for example, for people on public aid found to lack those skills.

Part of the impetus is the Family Support Act, a \$3.3 billion federal initiative passed in 1988 and touted as the biggest welfare reform in 50 years. States are required to have programs in place by October to prepare public aid recipients for work and help them get jobs.

About 3.8 million families — or about 11 million people, two-thirds under the age of 18 — received \$17.5 billion in Aid to Families of Dependent Children benefits in 1989, experts say.

By Sharon Cohen

Associated Press Writer

MILWAUKEE — It's an experiment in education that offers promise for the poor — or punishment and pain.

Learnfare, the only statewide program in the nation that ties benefits of welfare families to their teens' school attendance, has been praised, panned and put to a court test, leading to a partial ban.

Though Learnfare has a simple focus — keeping kids in school — it stirs thorny debate about some hot-button issues: the role of government, the responsibility of parents, the rights of the poor.

Learnfare allows the state of Wisconsin to cut a family's monthly Aid to Families of Dependent Children check if a teen-ager has more than two unexcused absences a month. A mother of two, for instance, can lose \$77 of her \$517 monthly check, and sometimes more.

Learnfare's boosters, including Gov. Tommy Thompson, say this cornerstone of Wisconsin's welfare reform package is the first step toward cracking the cycle of poverty.

"The goal is to get these teen-agers back in school so they won't need welfare in the future," said Diane Walker, director of the Office of Welfare Reform. "Without a high school education, their chance to ever be self-supporting as adults is very limited."

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan has praised the program's goals; his agency has approved Wisconsin's request to expand it to younger children, but the state says there will be no monetary penalties.

The state has plenty of success stories: the truant who kicked drugs, returned to school and graduated, teen mothers who write the governor saying they now have a

'I never liked the sense of somebody giving you something for nothing. I'm working for what I get.'

— Annie Honeycutt,

Detroit welfare recipient participating in new program

Some already have made the transition from welfare check to paycheck — in a most unusual way.

In Michigan, 12 women who once lived off AFDC now earn \$18,000 to \$21,500 a year as foster mothers to hard-to-place disabled children in the LIFE, or Living in Family Environments, program.

"It's a win-win situation," said program director Diane Devine-Abdullah. "It empowers them. It raises their self-esteem. It gives them a meaning in life they didn't have before. They're not only helping themselves, but they're helping a child."

That's the case for Annie Honeycutt, 34, and Fletcher, an epileptic, retarded 6-year-old who already had lived in five places. No one wanted the little boy, who was so angry he tried to choke people, so aggressive he was tied down with restraints, and so destructive he ripped apart furniture.

"When he first came, Fletcher was a monster," said Miss Honeycutt. No more. He's calmer and happier with the woman he calls "mama." He also has been united with his retarded-epileptic brother, Rico, 3, who recently joined the family.

As a foster mother, Miss Honeycutt has more responsibility, but more independence, too.

"I never liked the sense of somebody giving you something for nothing. I'm working for what I get," said the mother of four.

But another partnership that could encompass more people recently began in Montgomery County, Ind. — a mentor system matching welfare recipients with community members.

Keith Weedman, who heads the county welfare department, said some people get stuck on welfare because "they don't see the possibility of success."

"By being engaged with people who see the world differently, it's a stimulation," Weedman said. "Each gets to be more tolerant and accepting of the other."

Mentors range from factory workers to corporate executives and Crawfordville, Ind., Mayor Philip Michal, who says: "So many people on welfare lose hope. They



Doris Woods, 17, shares a home with her daughter, Pamela Cooper, 17, and granddaughter, Antonia Alexander, 1. Learnfare, Ms. Cooper says, cut her family's benefits while she was legitimately ill.

future for their children, hundreds of dropouts in alternative programs, all courtesy of Learnfare.

"If we can stop this cycle when they are younger and give them careers ... they won't have this terrible situation by the time they're 36 and grandmothers still trying to pursue their education," said Kathy Harrell-Patterson, head of an alternative school for teen parents attending because of Learnfare.

But opponents, including church and community groups and parents, say Learnfare penalizes those living a meager check-to-check existence.

"We have families who've been evicted because of this," said Pat DeLesso, attorney for Legal Action of Wisconsin, which has represented about 300 families sanctioned.

need a friend. They need somebody in the system to care. That's what this does."

Other new projects focus on teen parents, those at high risk of becoming trapped in the welfare quagmire. One study found that at any time, half the AFDC recipients were long-termers.

In Ohio, LEAP — Learning, Earning and Parenting Program — offers child care, transportation and \$62 a month extra for teen-age parents who return to or stay in school and have good attendance.

"They've become parents at a very young age," said Ellen Seusy, who coordinates research for the program. "Their earning power is zero."

Another welfare experiment has the jobless bring in money — by creating their own jobs.

Minnesota, Mississippi, Iowa, Michigan and Maryland have small entrepreneur projects in which welfare recipients receive benefits past the point where money earned from their businesses would make them ineligible. The checks continue for a year after they reach that point under a federal waiver that allows them to try to become self-sufficient.

Critics argue this approach is too costly, too limited and too risky — starting a business is tough enough for those with jobs, they say. But proponents argue that welfare, ironically, is a good training school.

"Welfare recipients can be more enterprising than some people in business, the way they have to wheel and deal their resources," said Sheila Das, of the Corporation for Enterprise Development, coordinator of the programs.

More than 100 businesses have been started — including restaurants, repair and cleaning services, and caterers — and dozens more are ready to go.

Though aspiring entrepreneurs receive training, develop business plans and sometimes are helped with loans, obstacles remain.

When Ruth Bell tried to buy equipment for her Detroit bakery, Chugga's, one store demanded full payment in advance; another accused her of doing something illegal.

"What people think about the system burns me up," said Ms. Bell, 42, who's too embarrassed to tell her three children she receives welfare. "They think we're all ignorant sons of guns. They don't think we want to go anywhere or do anything."

And sometimes, discouragement comes from a surprising source.

"When they try to break out, they've got family and friends saying, 'You can't do this. What makes you think you can?'" said Cheri Huber, who runs the Iowa program.

"They can't buy clothing for their kids. They run out of food, they have to go to food pantries."

Beyond that, some claim it just doesn't work.

"Some kids are big-headed about welfare. They say, 'I don't care if my mother gets cut off or not,'" said Pamela Cooper, 17, who contends her family's benefits were cut when she was legitimately ill. "Some people got kids who just won't listen. They just won't go to school."

Others complain it smacks of discrimination.

"What are they doing to keep the children not on welfare in school? Not a damn thing," said Dennis Fengler, whose family has been repeatedly sanctioned because of what he says are record-keeping errors.

His wife, Geneal's, assessment? "Learnfare — they don't learn and it's not fair," she said.

The Fenglers are among six Milwaukee families named as plaintiffs in a class-action suit contending the Learnfare program violates constitutional rights.

In a July decision stemming from the suit, U.S. District Judge Terence T. Evans ordered Learnfare suspended in Milwaukee County, citing administrative errors. While its goals are worthy, he said, welfare families "should not be made homeless and hungry in the name of social experimentation."

However, Evans also said he would lift the ban if changes were made to improve the system monitoring absences in Milwaukee's public schools, where the board has opposed the program.

About 48 percent of 27,000 students ages 13 to 19 subject to Learnfare live in Milwaukee County; some three-fourths of the penalties have been imposed there.

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The face of AIDS is changing as the virus spreads beyond traditional high-risk groups to others engaging in high-risk behaviors. Cases among IV drug users and their sexual partners, male and female, and bisexual men are rising rapidly.

Monday



HIV testing and education are viewed as the key weapons in the war on the spread of AIDS. Meanwhile those already infected with the virus face difficulties even as promising new treatments are being researched.

Today



With the awarding of a \$64,300 grant, the Texas Department of Health has paved the way for first-ever, dedicated AIDS case management in the Permian Basin. This could help alleviate the strained local health care delivery system.

Coming Saturday



9 a.m. Midland Community Theatre
A community AIDS dialogue, co-sponsored by Midland Memorial Hospital, the Midland Association of Churches, KTXP-TV and the Midland Reporter-Telegram, will look at the local response to the AIDS crisis.

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Sealift, airlift for forces lacking

The Pentagon boasts that it moved more men, machines and supplies in the first three weeks of Operation Desert Shield than in the first three months of the Korean War. All the same, the crisis in the Persian Gulf has demonstrated convincingly that the armed services' airlift and sealift capacity is woefully inadequate to meet the critical needs of America's fighting forces.

This vulnerability is best illustrated by the hapless situation of the Army's 1st Cavalry Division and 2nd Armored Division, both of which are equipped with the latest heavy armored vehicles. The two divisions were ordered to Saudi Arabia in mid-August. Yet, a month later, these key divisions remain stranded in Fort Hood. The Pentagon says there are not enough ships to transport the heavy armor halfway around the globe.

Similar snafus abound. For instance, the 24th Mechanized Infantry Division went several weeks without vital equipment because three cargo ships carrying the hardware broke down en route to Saudi Arabia. To replace these vessels and add to the military's sealift capacity, the Pentagon is negotiating to lease foreign ships.

There is also the enormous problem of unloading equipment and heavy arms when they eventually arrive in Saudi Arabia. In response to a reporter's question, a senior Pentagon official acknowledged it will take at least one month to deploy each armored division after it arrives in Saudi Arabia. This is because U.S. forces lack the unloading facilities and training required to transfer the equipment from ship to shore rapidly.

Meanwhile, as the United States slowly builds up its forces in the Persian Gulf, Iraq is moving to strengthen its forces in Kuwait and elsewhere along the Saudi border. The United States has been extremely fortunate, in fact, that Saddam Hussein has been so accommodating. If he had decided to invade Saudi Arabia soon after President Bush first dispatched forces to the gulf, the result could have been an American Dunkirk in the desert. Even today, U.S. forces are far outnumbered by Iraq's tank-heavy ground forces.

The conflict in the gulf has demonstrated that the Pentagon has ignored the imperative of adequate sealift and airlift. We can only hope this lesson is reflected in future Pentagon budgets.

WILLIAM MURCHISON

Gays, stay in closet where you belong

The Aug. 30 Daily Texan, student newspaper at the University of Texas, featured a front-page photograph of two men and two women kissing outside the student union. The women were kissing the men, the men were kissing the men.

The students proceeded, on state-owned property, to propagandize in behalf of the homosexual lifestyle. Oh, how they propagandized! According to the Daily Texan, they put on a fashion show that included "a safe-sex demonstration of the proper use of condoms and dental dams — square pieces of latex for safe oral sex."

Afterwards, the two males in the Texan photo "lay down on a futon placed in the middle of the free-speech area and kissed. After they got off the futon, a kiss-in was announced, and three other lesbian and gay couples participated." The "UT Follies" continued off and on for several days, unrebuked by the authorities in the name of, no doubt, free speech.

In better times, the campus cops would have uncoupled the couples, hustling them off to the dean's office for disciplinary action. An article in the Sept. 17 Insight puts the matter in perspective. "The New Gay scene," writes Charlotte Low Allen, "is like no gay scene that has ever preceded it in living memory. The new gay and lesbian movement is hard-edged, and it plays hardball. It has an attitude. 'I hate straights,' declared the most talked-about manifesto at New York's Gay Pride Parade June 24.

Ms. Allen goes on, parodying the New Gays: "Straights, procreators, breeders — that's you, heteros. Get out of our faces." "No more wedding showers, anniversaries, please," the manifesto sniffed.

She tells us the descriptive word "gay," kidnapped from everyday parlance by the homosexual movement, is being thrown back in our faces. "The New Gays, mostly in their 20s, say 'queer.' As in 'we queers.' Or they say 'gay.'"

These are the folk who recently shouted down the secretary of Health and Human Services, Louis Sullivan, at an AIDS conference and blasphemed a Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. A favorite tactic, called "outing," is to print the names of allegedly secret homosexuals — to humiliate them, as it were, "out" of the closet. The New Gays won't do themselves any good, that's for sure. They'll turn themselves, if they haven't already, into the coital equivalent of the American Nazi Party. They will not arouse sympathy for their cause. They will arouse disgust.

Liberals of the more advanced sort will find themselves staring glumly at their own handiwork. Liberals shake righteous fingers at the intolerant and bigoted. Sometimes this amounts to a public service. Unreasonable bigotry strains the social fabric.

But so, too, can hyper-tolerance. Meaty-mouthed acquiescence in everything can be as bad as brutal oppression of one viewpoint or another. A society that tolerates everything believes in nothing.

In Austin and elsewhere we presently test the limits of tolerance. Is public property to be turned over to the New Gays so they can insult the received morality of Judeo-Christian civilization and those who embrace that morality?

It's time to call the cops, whose role after all is to preserve the public peace in public places. These days public places are safe for everybody but the peaceful, the law-abiding, those who would cheerfully mind their own business if left alone to do so.

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JACK ANDERSON

Worst about Noriega won't be heard

WASHINGTON — Prosecutors in the drug trial of former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega are lining up potential witnesses to testify against him. Their testimony could leave the public gaping in disbelief about what Noriega allegedly got away with while under the protective wing of the United States government.

But what you won't hear during the trial is even worse. Sources in Panama tell us that the prosecution is being very picky about who it puts on the witness stand. Our associate Dean Boyd has learned that many potential witnesses with intimate knowledge of the dictator's dirty work are not on the list to testify. Their stories could embarrass the United States and shed light on intelligence operations that the government would rather keep in the dark.

For example, don't look for Maj. Felipe Camargo on the stand. He was a ranking member of Noriega's intelligence force and today is in jail in Panama awaiting trial on 18 counts of brutality. A former schoolmate of Camargo's told us that several months ago an intermedi-



Anderson

ary for Camargo asked him to put Camargo in touch with U.S. authorities. Evidently Camargo hoped to cut a deal to testify against Noriega in return for a lighter sentence for himself, although plea-bargaining is not allowed in Panama.

Camargo is one of the few people in Panama who could talk about one of the key assertions in the Noriega case — that Cuban leader Fidel Castro mediated a drug dispute between Noriega and the Medellin drug cartel of Colombia in 1984. "Noriega would be very worried if Camargo testified," a leading Panamanian journalist told us. Nevertheless, the Justice Department has given Camargo the cold shoulder.

Why? Michael O'Kane, a Miami lawyer representing a client who was indicted along with Noriega, told us that the prosecutors "won't touch anyone that smacks of intelligence." Camargo has extensive ties to Cuban intelligence and also reportedly knows about Noriega's cozy relationship with the Central Intelligence Agency.

Another man who won't be called to testify against Noriega is Mike Harari, a former Israeli intelligence agent. As a "businessman" in Panama, Harari forged ties with the CIA and probably knows more about Noriega's alleged crimes than anyone else, including information about drugs used as barter in the Nicaraguan Contra resupply operation.

Harari was in Panama at the time of the U.S. invasion last December, but soon after, turned up safely in Israel. Informed sources in Panama told us that U.S. intelligence agents shipped Harari to Israel to get him out of the picture.

The Bush administration is doing everything it can to stay away from "people who know about Contra drug connections," according to another Miami lawyer, John Mattes. Mattes represents a drug trafficker who has already told a Senate subcommittee some details about the Contra-drug connection.

Today, most of Noriega's closest officers are in jail in Panama with a wealth of information in their heads. But sources in Panama told us those officers have been given only token debriefings by U.S. authorities. Rodrigo Miranda, a former Panamanian special prosecutor, told us that several of the men could give "very explosive" testimony.

A former Drug Enforcement Administration agent agreed that there are many Panamanians with dirt on Noriega. But, he said, "The people they really don't want on the stand are the U.S. officials who knew what Noriega was up to for all these years and let it slide."

We asked Diane Cossin, executive assistant to the U.S. attorney who is prosecuting Noriega, about the charges that the Justice Department is deliberately ignoring hot witnesses. She refused to comment "on any speculation by people not involved in the prosecution or the investigation."

SUICIDE ATTACK: U.S. officials are on the watch for suicide attacks by terrorists in Saudi Arabia like the attack that destroyed the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut. That suicide mentality goes right to the top. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein may prefer to go down in flames rather than leave Kuwait. In the face of defeat, he may choose to take the ultimate gamble — an attack on Israel that would transform the Persian Gulf crisis into an Arab-Israeli war.

MINI-EDITORIAL: The Persian Gulf crisis has given the military brass the excuse to revive a dangerous notion — that no amount of money is too much if it is needed for national defense. That's the kind of thinking that brought about the collapse of the Soviet system. The Soviet economy simply wasn't strong enough to support the heavy military spending.

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CHARLEY REESE

It's better to give, if you hope to receive

Of every dollar you pay in federal taxes, 54 cents will be used to pay the interest on the national debt.

Six years ago, the accumulated federal deficit was \$1.6 trillion. Today it is \$3.1 trillion.

As a federal taxpayer you are supporting on an annual basis 1,139 separate social programs.

The \$1.1 trillion in taxes extracted from your pockets at gunpoint (all government taxes are forced collections, not voluntary contributions) is run through hundreds of incompatible accounting systems.

During the last decade, federal tax revenues increased an average of 8 percent a year — but spending increased by 11 percent.

From 1970 to 1987, \$4.5 trillion was spent at the federal level "in the war on poverty," but the result was that the number of people classified as poor rose from 25 million to 33 million.

The individual human beings responsible for this are 435 congressmen, 100 senators, one president, and one vice president. No one else

in the entire federal government has any authority over taxes and spending.

And you wish to re-elect these nabobs? You must be suicidal.

We have just seen the president and the lap dog media take a Middle East dictator, whom 98 percent of the American people could not have identified on July 31, and in a matter of days, turn him into a global Frankenstein most Americans believe threatens the world.

What that tells you is that if the president chose to do so, he could rally grass-roots support for straightening out the federal budget. Since he hasn't done that, then quite obviously it's because he chooses not to do so.

In other words, neither the president nor the Congress has any real desire whatsoever to reform the federal budget.

Remember, government is a tax-and-spend equation. First, government takes money away from you and me. Then the government's spending goes out in great globs to the favored or shrewd few. Some people get rich and live well off government spending.

Your congressmen and senators live well off government spending as well as their bloated staff of servants. Groups and businesses that contribute millions to their re-election coffers are surprisingly lucky about how they fare in the tax-and-spend equation.

Money-driven politics has twisted the bibli-

cal saying of better to give than to receive into better give if you hope to receive. It's perverted the political process from two genuinely competing parties into a Democrat-Republican Axis allied against the people. They are buddies who divide up the street and work their respective sides to clean out the suckers, but they share a common interest in the status quo.

One recent example was the odious agreement that no congressional challenger who raised the issue of the even more odious congressional pay raise would receive any support from either the Democratic or the Republican national committees.

The absolute absurdity of our present state of society has become so striking, the lying and posturing of public figures in both parties so blatant, the worship of money so ostentatious, that the whole has taken on the appearance of a play written and acted by inmates of an insane asylum.

The statistics I quoted, by the way, are from a speech by J. Peter Grace, whose Grace Commission Report on government waste remains unimplemented and studiously ignored by the political liars presently pretending to confront the federal budget deficit.

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LEWIS GRIZZARD

Why not just walk away from the oil crisis?

We could walk a lot more in this country. That's what I said. We could actually walk more.

If we walk more and drive our cars less, then maybe we could become less dependent on foreign oil so when some sheik of the burning sands decided to take over Lower Oil-richia, we could ignore him.

There wouldn't be any need to send over our troops and planes, no reason to worry about chemical warfare, no reason to bug Henry Kissinger for interviews, no reason to bring up that nasty word "Armageddon," no reason to have to pay \$67.50 a gallon at the neighborhood Texaco, and no reason for Dan Quayle to say, "Please, George, don't die on me now."

I used to walk all the time. Before I got a bicycle, I had to walk practically everywhere I couldn't convince an adult to drive me.

If I got thirsty and my mother said, "Walk,

it'll be good for you," when I asked her to drive me to a store for a big orange, I'd have to hoof it a half-mile to the store and back.

I even walked all the way to Bobby Entrenkin's house one day. It was two miles both ways. He had invited me over to play cowboys and punk rockers.

But it was a pleasant, enlightening experience.

On the way, I saw a dead opossum in the road, I found a pointed rock that could have been an arrowhead, I kicked an empty can at least a mile, and I had a lot of time to think about what I wanted to do when I grew up.

I decided the next time an adult asked me about it, I would say, "I want to star in porno films" and see the look that would bring.

But after I got my bike and then got old enough to drive, I gave up walking, as have many of us.

Two of the three times I got married, I drove down the aisle. The other time, I took a cab.

I probably would drive between rooms in my house, but my car won't fit through the front door.

We are slaves to our automobiles and the

juice that makes them run and that gets us into harm's way and allows oil companies to make us all feel like a bunch of dipsticks for what we have to pay for gasoline.

Let's all start walking more and driving less. We could start with me.

The convenience store where I buy pork and beans and copies of the Enquirer is less than a half-mile away. I could walk there.

I could walk to the Waffle House for my weekly cholesterol I.V.

I could walk to the video store to rent "Naughty Female Attorneys" and "Debbie Does Fargo, North Dakota," neither of which I had a part in, incidentally.

I could walk to a friend's house to play cowboys and rap groups, and I could walk to my ex-girlfriend's house when I forget I am an insensitive, arrogant, selfish jerk and need to be reminded.

Join me, America. Let's go for a walk and give Ahab the Arab and John D. Rockefeller a bad case of gas.

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Bush praises progress toward ending apartheid

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Monday that South Africa's campaign to abolish white supremacist rule is irreversible and assured President F.W. de Klerk that he would oppose new conditions for lifting economic sanctions.

"These conditions are clear-cut and are not open to re-interpretation. And I do not believe in moving the goalposts," Bush said about sanctions imposed in 1986 over President Reagan's veto.

Bush also said all political groups in South Africa "have a special responsibility to support the process of peaceful transition."

That statement appeared aimed at African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, who refused during a meeting with Bush in June to forswear violence.

De Klerk, the first South African leader to visit the United States since 1945, assured Bush that the process of reform is irreversible.

"We will not turn back," de Klerk said.

The leaders met at the White

House for two hours, first in the Oval Office and again over lunch. The meeting was a showcase of U.S. political support for de Klerk's efforts to guide South Africa toward a post-apartheid democratic system.

"Clearly, the time has come to encourage and assist the emerging new South Africa," Bush said at a farewell ceremony, standing alongside de Klerk in front of the sun-drenched South Lawn. Behind them, a black Marine held the flag of South Africa, a white Marine held the American flag.

But Bush said that despite "the dramatic progress that we salute here today," South Africa hasn't moved far enough to meet the conditions for removing economic sanctions.

South Africa has not released all political prisoners and has not lifted the state of emergency in the Natal province. Further, it has not repealed a population registration act that is a key element in the system of racial apartheid.

On the other hand, Bush said, "the move away from apartheid toward a new political reality is indeed irreversible and much has

already happened."

He noted Mandela's release from prison, the removal of outlaw status for the African National Congress, plans to release remaining political prisoners and removal of media restraints.

"Who among us, only a year ago, would have anticipated these remarkable developments?" Bush asked.

"The United States clearly endorses the principle of constitutional democratic government in South Africa. I have enormous respect for what President de Klerk and Nelson Mandela are trying to achieve together in pursuit of this principle," Bush said.

De Klerk has moved faster than generally expected over the past year toward dismantling apartheid.

He promised Bush his government would scrap its white supremacist system and replace it with a new structure with "a vote of equal value to all South Africans."

Bush and de Klerk both noted that the process of reform has been plagued by a recent upsurge in black-against-black violence in

South African townships. The death toll is estimated at about 750.

Bush said that despite the violence, "I think all Americans recognize that President de Klerk is courageously trying to change things."

Bush urged South African blacks to cooperate during the period of transition.

"The government has a special responsibility to maintain order," Bush said, "but all political parties and groups have a special responsibility to support the process of peaceful transition."

Mandela has sought to hold apartheid security elements of the police and military responsible for recent violence, a possibility South African officials don't dismiss. Mandela has said Americans should demand an explanation from de Klerk for the increasing violence.

The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, a Washington-based private group, has challenged de Klerk to ensure that "police and military assassination squads are fully exposed and completely disbanded."



Vice President Dan Quayle, center, gestures to South African President Frederik Willem de Klerk, as Marilyn Quayle looks on, prior to a Sunday night dinner at the Quayles' Washington residence.

Bone-marrow drug approved by FDA

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration on Monday authorized expanded use of an experimental drug that helps prevent life-threatening infections in bone-marrow recipients.

The drug is designed to help the 10 to 20 percent of recipients whose bone-marrow graft takes longer than usual to work or fails to work. Many of these patients die from infections.

More than 3,000 bone-marrow transplants are performed every year to treat forms of anemia as well as leukemia and other cancers. Some patients receive marrow from a donor, while in other cases patients' own marrow is removed, stored and then transplanted.

Either way, before the transplant can be performed, the patient must undergo intensive chemotherapy and sometimes radiation to weaken their immune system so the marrow won't be re-

jected. This conditioning also destroys the existing marrow to make room for the new, an FDA spokeswoman said.

It usually takes 20 to 30 days for a marrow graft to begin producing infection-fighting cells called neutrophils, a type of white blood cell. If the graft does not begin working as it should, patients are given antibiotics to ward off infection.

The new drug is a genetically engineered version of a human protein called granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor, or GM-CSF. It works by promoting development of certain bone marrow cells that produce neutrophils, the FDA said.

GM-CSF was given to more than 100 patients suffering graft delay or failure, and within the first two weeks most of the patients showed rising numbers of neutrophils in their blood.

Dictionary, King's novel 'Christine' banned in school

CHICAGO (AP) — What do Dr. Seuss, Stephen King and the editors of Webster's dictionary have in common? They are among the scores of books banned or challenged in the past year, the American Library Association said Monday in launching Banned Books Week.

"We need to bring to the attention of American public the fact that our First Amendment rights are under attack," said Judith Krug, director of the association's Office for Intellectual Freedom.

A Webster's Dictionary edition was challenged in the Upper Pittsboro Township, N.J., school district because parents objected to the definition of sexual intercourse as "the sexual joining of two individuals," said Paul Whitman, secretary of the school board.

The 1986 dictionary — an edition edited especially for teenagers — was removed from fourth and fifth grade classrooms last fall, but continues to be used in upper levels, he said.

"The Lorax" by Dr. Seuss was challenged in a Laytonville, Calif., school district last September. Parents working for a local logging company said the book portrayed their industry negatively.

The book remained on the second-grade required reading list after the challenge, but teachers voluntarily moved it to an optional list the following spring, said Superintendent Brian Buckley.

Stephen King's "The Stand" was restricted to ninth-grade students with parental consent at Whitford

Intermediate School in Beaverton, Ore. after some parents objected to violence and sexual language. And another King novel, "Christine," was pulled from the library at Washington Middle School in Meriden, Conn., after a parent complained about offensive passages.

These are only a few of the incidents reported to the 51,000-member educational association between May 1989 and May 1990, Krug said.

The week runs through Saturday. It's part of a national effort to draw attention to the more than 1,000 instances of challenging or banning books reported last year, Krug said.

NATION IN BRIEF

Windshield badly cracked when B-1 bomber hits birds

ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE, S.D. (AP) — A low-flying B-1 bomber struck three birds, cracking its two windshields and obscuring the crew's view so badly they had to be talked through a landing.

The bomber, assigned to the 28th Bombardment Wing's 77th Bomb Squadron at Ellsworth, was flying 610 mph about 1,000 feet off the ground at night on Sept. 19 when it hit the birds over northern Montana.

The plane's commander, Capt. Paul Dow, said Monday he assumes the birds were ducks. "For September, we're starting to move into a heavy migratory period of migratory fowl," he said.

After the impact last week, Dow took the craft up to 17,000 feet to make sure it didn't hit anything.

Because of the many cracks in the layers of plastic, "There really wasn't any way we could see out at all," Dow said.

The impact also broke a utility light in the cockpit, causing sparks. Landing conditions at Ellsworth were bad because of rain and low clouds.

Ground crews directed the landing by radio.

Woman falls from balcony to her death

DESTIN, Fla. (AP) — A woman who playfully asked her husband for a piggyback ride fell 18 stories to her death from a balcony after standing on a chair to climb on his back, authorities said Monday.

The chair tipped and Cindy McNeely, 32, of Woodstock, Ga., went over the railing Saturday night at Sundestin Condominiums in this Florida Panhandle resort town, said Rick Hord, a spokesman for the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Department.

Her death has been ruled an accident pending an autopsy, Hord said. He said investigators have no reason to doubt the account given by her husband, Richard McNeely, also 32, a certified public accountant.

They had put their three children, girls 6 and 4 and an 18-month-old son, to bed before going out on the balcony, Hord said. After about 20 minutes they decided to go in.

McNeely told investigators his wife then suggested that he carry her in on his back and climbed on the chair, Hord said.

Mail carriers trained to prevent theft

MIAMI (AP) — Mail carriers in south Florida are being trained in crime prevention techniques to combat a wave of mail thefts, a U.S. Postal Service spokesman said Monday.

The training includes suggestions that mail carriers park their trucks in highly visible spots and that they cover their unattended mail so it isn't visible to thieves.

The post office is also asking residents for help. "We're asking our customers to look out for anything suspicious in the neighborhoods," said Costa Ayers, a spokesman for the Miami division of the U.S. Postal Service.

Postal officials say that during the last five months, criminals have smashed the windows on more than 100 U.S. Postal Service vehicles and have pilfered mail bags and trays.

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Sequoia National Park 100 years old

SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — Sequoia celebrates its centennial Tuesday as the second-oldest national park with its superintendent hoping the home of the world's biggest trees will be even better 100 years from now.

A 13,255-foot mountain, one of thousands in the Sierra Nevada that forms California's spine, will be named Centennial peak during a brief ceremony honoring both Sequoia and its slightly younger cousin, Kings Canyon National Park.

However, most of the celebration was on Sunday when people were invited to visit the adjacent parks free and learn about their history and future. Sequoia, 150 miles northeast of Los Angeles, became a national park six days before Kings Canyon and their more celebrated neighbor 80 miles north, Yosemite.

President Benjamin Harrison signed legislation on Sept. 25, 1890, making Sequoia the second national park. Yellowstone was established in 1872.

At first, only 500 people a year visited the California parks because they were so remote in the days before cars. Now, more than 1.6 million people a year visit Sequoia and Kings Canyon.

That has caused park officials to start reducing human impact by moving public facilities out of Sequoia's Giant Forest area, a process that will take at least until the beginning of the 21st century.

"We want to avoid designing facilities that lure people to one spot and cause a crowd," Superintendent J. Thomas Ritter said as he stood near the General Sherman tree, the largest living thing in the

world at 272 feet tall and containing 63,664 cubic feet of lumber.

The goal, he said, is to disperse people to points of interest and programs spread throughout the park.

Ritter noted that the task of dispersing people is easier over the large area of Sequoia-Kings Canyon than at Yosemite, where almost all the 3 million visitors a year want to visit narrow Yosemite Valley.

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Plane builder sued in Williams crash

■ The wives of five Midlanders killed in a 1990 Valentine's Day plane crash are suing the plane's manufacturer for negligence and product liability.

By David Morris
Staff Writer

SAN ANGELO — The families of five Midland men killed in a February plane crash have filed wrongful death suits against the airplane's manufacturer, federal court records here show.

The five men, business associates of gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams, died when the Mitsubishi MU-2 turboprop in which they were riding crashed near Putnam, east of Abilene, on Feb. 14. No one on board survived.

Those killed were Jamie Winkel, 45, Randy M. Kidwell, 37, Robert Smith, 62, Aaron Giebel, 63, and Kenneth Mardis, 51. Mardis was piloting the plane, which was owned by Williams.

The men were en route to Dallas from Midland when the crash occurred.

Plaintiffs' attorneys said the lawsuits, which were transferred

to U.S. District Court in San Angelo from state courts in Dallas, seek unspecified damages.

"We allege that they (Mitsubishi) are negligent and that they have product liability," said Midland attorney William M. Kerr Sr. Kerr represents plaintiff Suzanne Kidwell, Randy Kidwell's wife.

Also suing are Mardis' wife, Linda; Winkel's wife, Carol; Smith's wife, Claudia; Giebel's wife, Betty; and some of the men's children and parents. A separate lawsuit has been filed on behalf of Smith's estate, bringing the number of crash-related suits to six.

Plaintiffs either declined comment or could not be reached Monday.

Attorneys for the defendant, Japan-based Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd., did not return phone calls.

Kevin Krist, Ms. Mardis' attorney, said the six suits are basically the same.

"The Mitsubishi has a long-standing history of inexplicable crashes," Krist said from Houston. "The airplane is notorious in the industry. We, along with the other claimants, have alleged that that is due to the unreasonably dangerous and defective design of the MU-2."

John Galipault, president of the Ohio-based Aviation Safety Institute, said Monday that the six-

eight-passenger MU-2 "has had by far the most accidents" among planes in its class.

He said 160 people died in MU-2 crashes between 1964 and 1987. During that time, he said, the planes were involved in 117 accidents, 48 of which were fatal.

Investigators said the Williams plane was flying on instruments in cloudy weather when it crashed nose down, at a steep angle of descent and at a high rate of speed. The plane exploded on impact in a pasture in Callahan County.

The pilot, who had a clean Federal Aviation Administration record, had just been cleared by air-traffic controllers to descend from 15,000 to 14,000 feet when the crash occurred.

Kerr said the crash lawsuits were transferred to federal court at Mitsubishi's request. The plaintiffs originally filed suit in state court in Dallas in August, he said.

San Angelo's U.S. District Court has jurisdiction in the case because the town was home to a now-defunct Mitsubishi plant where the Williams plane was built, he added.

Kerr said he would have preferred to file suit after the National Transportation Safety Board determined the cause of the crash.

However, the suits were filed in

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City challenges census count

By Brian Pearson
Staff Writer

Midland likely will not end up on the sunny side of the 100,000 population mark after the 1990 census dust settles next year, Rick Menchaca, assistant to the city manager, said Monday.

Despite a recent city challenge of preliminary census figures, which show Midland having 88,740 residents, the final figure likely will not exceed 92,100, Menchaca said.

The city is claiming that the U.S. Census Bureau undercounted the number of Midland residents by 3,360, he said. The city's estimates are based on figures compiled by the planning and development de-

partment, he said.

The bureau's early estimates show that Midland has 38,136 housing units, with an average of 2.69 persons per household and a 13.7 percent vacancy rate.

City officials, though, have estimated that Midland has 1,447 more dwellings than the preliminary figures show.

Thomas Zuniga, information services specialist with the regional census office in Dallas, said bureau officials will come to Midland sometime before mid-October to verify the city's figures.

If the city wins its challenge, the 92,100 mark would represent a 30.6 percent increase from the 1980 census count, which set the city's population at 70,525.

If the bureau rejects Midland's challenge, the 88,740 figure would be a 25.9 percent increase — or 18,215 residents — from 10 years ago.

Menchaca said a high count is important because census figures are used to determine jurisdictions for state legislators and U.S. Congress members.

In addition, slices of federal and state aid pies are based on population, he said. Funding for transportation, health, education, housing and community development programs is at stake, he said.

Reaching the 100,000 population mark would not mean a drastic difference in funding, but it

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Martin Luther King Jr. Park is expanding

By Brian Pearson
Staff Writer

Martin Luther King Jr. Park, one of northeast Midland's most beloved recreational assets, may soon have even more to offer.

Plans are under way for the city to purchase 1½ acres of property north of the park, located adjacent to the Northeast YMCA at 2300 Butternut Lane, said George Logan, the city's community services director.

The proposed \$32,000 project will include a 15-space parking lot, two sand volleyball courts, more lighting and an extended walking path, Logan said.

"We basically want to make it a more community-oriented park where the neighbors can come have a good time," he said. "It will benefit both the neighborhood and the Northeast YMCA."

The project, which will expand the park's size to 3½ acres, should be started sometime this year, he said.

The park was built for \$60,000 in 1967 after neighbors made a plea for it. Area residents have used the park extensively since its Jan. 22, 1968, dedication, Logan said.

"It's a fine little park," he said. "It's highly visible and it's everything we think a neighborhood park should be."

Logan added that Community Development Block Grant funding would be used to pay for park expansion.

James Bradford, a Lee High School social studies teacher, was chairman of a committee that pushed for the park, which is now a source of community pride.

"It's used full time," Bradford said. "I see people all during the day

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Lorenzo Orosco, 6, and Amanda Orosco, 9, play at Martin Luther King Jr. Park, which is expected to be expanded sometime this year.

Commission mulls plans for courthouse 'turnover'

■ Commissioners are reviewing plans for the next phase of renovations at the downtown county courthouse.

By Erin Blair
Staff Writer

They may need a map to find the way to their new offices, but county employees will be enjoying a refurbished courthouse within two years, plans presented at Monday's county commissioners' meeting indicated.

Walter Pate of Pate & Associates Architects-Planners Inc., displayed plans and a flow chart of proposed changes to the courthouse to the commissioners.

He said the project would proceed in three phases, beginning with the ground floor recently vacated by the sheriff, constable and justices of the peace (who are now in the law enforcement building), and eventually renovating all four floors of the courthouse.

The rearrangement of courthouse space is the most recent step in a nine year process of reorganizing county offices, Pate said.

"We have a new county jail and law enforcement building and we've relocated the tax assessor's office, the sheriff, the justices of the peace and the constable, but even with those relocations, we find ourselves trying to put ten pounds of sand in a five-pound bag," Pate said.

By the time the project is finished, the courthouse will have four district courtrooms and two county courts of law, and may lose either the law library or the auditor and treasurer's offices.

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Old-timer recalls days when movies didn't talk

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — It was a rare, rainy day in West Texas — when droughts seemed remote and the sky was falling in.

It was on such a day Joe Davis returned to his old hometown.

Much has changed and much has been added to since Davis, 88, first hit Big Spring, and the world, in 1902.

The cattle drives, ushered in by



Davis

"sure enough" wild cowboys, used to take half a day to pass by on their way to stockyards.

"Cattle rustling is worse now than it was back then," reckoned Davis.

Coal-burning locomotives, burning Thurber coal and spewing sulfur-laden soot from their stacks, backed into work stalls in the old Texas & Pacific Railway Co. roundhouse where Davis' father, Joseph Porter "J.P." Davis, worked on engines and operated a drill press.

"About half the trains were hauling coal to keep the others going," in the years before oil replaced coal, steam locomotives, Davis said.

On the Fourth of July amid the grove of hackberry trees, young men would fancy up their buggies to impress the ladies at the big annual barbecue.

"It was a big deal all over."

There was good cause.

"We didn't have too much entertainment," recalled Davis.

But there were other things to do.

"We'd take a picnic lunch and come up to Head Rock," a boulder, to search for Indian beads.

And for awhile, his father, J.P., operated the town's first silent picture-show machine.

When there was work to do around the house, young Joe Davis was handy.

"There were nine of us kids. I was in the middle; that's where the work took place."

And in 1910, when little Joseph C. "Joe" Davis was 8 years old, Halley's Comet streaked overhead like a moon with a blazing tail.

"We didn't think anything about it," Davis recalled. "It had a big tail on it."

Back on earth, jackrabbits got so thick that folks would spread out in a big circle and have a big jack-rabbit shoot.

Coyotes savored the taste of rabbit and, just like today, howled in forecasting a change in the weather.

Pigs, sensing the coming of winter long before the farmers did, would start collecting leaves

and other material to make their winter bedding in a corner of the pen.

"A lot of town folks don't know the ways of nature," Davis said.

Back then, mesquite wasn't as thick and wild as jackrabbits and prairie dogs once were. "You could see plumb across the country then," he recalled.

Much of the wood in the countryside got chopped up for firing up wood-burning stoves.

"There's more wood under the ground than there is on top of it," he said in considering the mesquite's sprawling root system.

Back in those days, when the horseless carriage was making inroads into wagon-and-buggy trav-

el, the Big Spring settlement suffered common childhood diseases — chicken pox, scarlet fever, mumps, diphtheria, smallpox and the "big killer," typhoid.

"Typhoid would kill the whole family, usually due to bad water," Davis said. "Sewer systems weren't existent back then." Out-houses served their duty.

Since he was the son of a railroad man, Joe Davis' friends were railroad people.

He remembers the first funeral he attended. It was for three railroad men, an engineer, a fireman and a front brakeman, who were killed at Penwell when their en-

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INTRODUCING ...



Curt Wilcott Reporter-Telegram

Daniel Saltzman, local AIDS activist, says his work is a way of repaying the generosity and friendliness that he has felt since moving to Midland.

Midland AIDS activist puts words into action

By Allen E. Howland
Assistant City Editor

Like many people, Daniel Saltzman is dissatisfied with some things in life.

Unlike most, he's willing to take a stand, regardless of personal cost, to try to correct those shortcomings.

When he was diagnosed with acquired immune deficiency syndrome almost a year ago, he was both surprised and confused by the lack of coordination of AIDS-related services and organizations.

The doctor who made the diagnosis was reluctant to treat him, Saltzman said, but did assist in putting him in contact with a physician in Dallas who sees AIDS patients.

"It seemed like a good alternative," he recalled.

In the 10 months since, Saltzman has become an AIDS activist, spending a great deal of

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An update on where we are ... and what's ahead

time talking to people about the problems he encountered, why and what can be done to change that.

This Saturday, the results of all those hours of talking will result in "AIDS: A Community Approach."

With the backing and cooperation of Midland Memorial Hospital, the Midland Association of Churches, American Red Cross, KTXV-TV and the Midland Reporter-Telegram, Salt-

zman has developed a 4½-hour forum to examine the past, present and future of AIDS in Midland.

The further he got involved in talking to individuals at the various agencies in the city providing some type of service to people with AIDS (PWAs), the more he learned what had already been done and what hadn't worked in the past.

Community education meetings were well-attended, but the most recent one was nearly two years ago. One attempt to form a Midland-based support group failed because it became too political and personal, he said.

"There's no room for that. What we're trying to do is too important; we can't afford to be an ego stroke for anyone," Saltzman said.

"There's a wealth of re-

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DEATHS

Jack C. Reynolds

Services for Jack Clayton Reynolds, 76, of Midland are set for 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Ralph Gates, pastor of Fairmont Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Reynolds died Monday at a local hospital.

Born Aug. 31, 1914, in Waco, he moved to Abilene as a small child and lived there until he was a senior in high school. He graduated from Midland High School and then went to Abilene Christian University.

He married Alyne Towery on Aug. 1, 1938, in Midland. In 1938, he took over his father's business, Reynolds' Foods, which his father founded in 1934. He retired after being in the grocery store business for 49 years. He was a member of Fairmont Church of Christ.

Survivors include: his wife; one son, Jim Clayton Reynolds; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mark Price

CRANE — Funeral services for Mark Price, 65, of Rankin are scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Rankin.

kin with the Rev. West Massey officiating. Burial will follow at the Rankin Cemetery under the direction of the Richard W. Box Funeral Home of Crane.

Price died at his home Monday. Born Aug. 20, 1925, in Comanche, he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and worked for the Western Co.

He married Lavinia Garner on Nov. 19, 1948, in Rankin.

Survivors include: his mother, Reda J. Price of Rankin; one daughter, Donna Thiedard of Dublin; two sons, Marcus Wayne Price of Garland and Richard Kim Price of Tuscaloosa, Ala.; one sister, Polly Stevenson of Odessa; one brother, W.D. Price of Corpus Christi; and five grandchildren.

L.D. Woodruff

STEPHENVILLE — Services for L.D. Woodruff, 83, are scheduled for 10 a.m. today at the St. John Baptist Church. Graveside services will follow at 4 p.m. at the Fairview Cemetery in Midland with Jerry Madkin officiating.

Woodruff died Saturday at a Stephenville nursing home. Born Feb. 10, 1907, in Milam County, he was a retired custodian who moved to Stephenville from Ranger two years ago.

Survivors include: four sons, H.D. Woodruff of Abilene, James

Woodruff of Phoenix, Morris Morning of San Jose, Calif., and W.J. Morning of Odessa; two brothers, Luther Woodruff of Ranger and Henry Woodruff of Waco; sisters, two Dovie Blanford of Stephenville and Elzora Lewis of San Angelo; 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Essie M. Bailey

Services for Essie M. Bailey are set for 11 a.m. today at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven North Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Sunday at her Midland residence.

Palbearers will be Jim Dave Bailey, Gary Alan Nipp, Toby Ray Nipp, Jeffrey Patterson and Steven Bailey.

Tiodoro Rodriguez

Tiodoro Rodriguez of Midland died Sunday at his residence.

A vigil prayer service will be 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. The funeral mass will be celebrated 11 a.m. Thursday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

SUIT: Cause unknown

(From 1B)

August in order to meet a legal deadline requiring that lawsuits against defunct businesses be filed within three years of the business' closing.

The San Angelo Mitsubishi Aircraft International plant — also listed as a defendant in the suits — shut down in August 1987, Kerr said.

An NTSS spokesman in Washington, D.C., said Monday that the agency has not yet determined the cause of the crash but will probably issue a ruling within the next two months.

FORUM: Slated for Saturday

(From 1B)

sources available, and I wish more people knew what is here." That — as well as preparing for the future — is the reason for Saturday's forum.

Being fully-insured — as Saltzman is, through long-term disability coverage from his former employer — makes getting health care and other services easier, he said.

"I know an HIV-positive person without insurance or much money who was told by a local service provider, 'Get out of town. There's nothing here for you.' That just isn't true," Saltzman said.

To smooth the way for others in his position and to raise community awareness of the prevalence of HIV-infection in West Texas, Saltzman feels "it is important to come out in front of the community. I don't underestimate Midlanders' capacity for understanding."

Saltzman feels a sense of responsibility to his adopted hometown. Until moving to Midland about three years ago, he had always lived in a major metropolitan area since growing up in Kansas City. "At this point I could live anywhere, but I'm in Midland for keeps."

Saturday's forum is "a way of paying back the generosity and friendliness I have felt."

Saltzman's dream is Permian Basin ARMS — AIDS Resource Management System — a hotline that could provide information on an anonymous basis to anyone in the 17-county region as well as referrals to doctors, lawyers and other

AIDS: A COMMUNITY APPROACH

A panel of community speakers will address a wide range of local AIDS issues Saturday at a forum at Theatre Midland.

Co-sponsored by the Midland Association of Churches, Midland Memorial Hospital, American Red Cross, KTX-TV and the Midland Reporter-Telegram, the dialogue will begin at 9 a.m. with introductions by moderator Janet Storie of KTX-TV, Channel 9.

Speakers will include Sarana Savage of the Texas Department of Health; Barry-Lee Cole of Permian Basin Community Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation; Dr. David Snyder of West Texas Oncology; Gail James of American Red Cross; author Nancy Shaw of Hobbs, N.M.; the Rev. Allan Williams, MMH chaplain; and Dr. Francis Hymel of Samaritan Counseling Center.

Terry Call of the Southwest AIDS Committee in El Paso will present a "program within a program" entitled "The Faces of AIDS."

Other topics will include:

- ◆ Facts and figures
- ◆ HIV testing and risk assessment
- ◆ Medical issues
- ◆ Existing community resources
- ◆ Personal experiences
- ◆ Emotional and spiritual needs of people with AIDS and their loved ones.

The forum closing will allow for a 45-minute question and answer session with the speaker panel, scheduled to end at 1:30 p.m. Attendance will earn 4 Continuing Education Unit credits. For information, contact the American Red Cross at 684-6161.

needed service providers and professionals.

In the coming decade, the disease's effects will spread. "Everyone will know someone who is affected, everyone will be touched by this."

While somewhat apprehensive of the reaction to being identified

as a PWA, he said he is willing and able to deal with pointing fingers and whispering. "That's how we react to anything we don't understand."

He said the objective of Saturday's forum is to improve understanding.

CENSUS: Preliminary figures in question

(From 1B)

would make Midland more attractive to industries wanting to locate here, Menchaca said. Many companies will not move or expand operations to a city with fewer than 100,000 residents, he said.

According to the New York Times News Services, about 14 percent of all towns, counties and cities in the country as well as the 51 largest cities, have challenged

the bureau's preliminary figures.

More than 6,000 jurisdictions have filed objections. The estimates show that challenges by the 15 largest cities represent about 1.2 million people.

The deadline to file a challenge was Monday. The city of Midland filed its challenge Sept. 11.

The counts will become final Dec. 31, with the results expected to be released to the public sometime next spring.

Zuniga said the number of cities nationwide that have challenged the preliminary figures is high but not alarming.

"We had a lot of challenges in 1980, but not near as many as in 1990," he said.

However, the the 1990 challenges are a result of a more extensive census promotion campaign, he said.

"The public is much more aware of the census now," Zuniga said.

COUNTY: Price tag of Phase I — \$315,000

(From 1B)

Michael T. Morgan, a Midland attorney, said the Midland County Bar Association was displeased with the possible loss of the law library as a result of the renovations, a concern County Attorney Mark Dettman echoed.

They argued that moving the library out of the building would make the necessary resource center inconvenient for attorneys and judges. Pate described the plan as a "fruit basket turnover."

He said the first phase will involve constructing offices for the county judge and county court-at-law judges in the area formerly occupied by the county constable and the justices of the peace on the ground floor. One county court-at-law courtroom will fit in the old justice of the peace courtroom, while the other will eventually be located in the law library location.

The ground floor jail will become the visitor reception area and the county attorney and data management will take up residence in the former sheriff's department.

On the first floor, expanding the county clerk's office, adding new auditor's and treasurer's offices, and creating a prospective jurors' lobby by rearranging walls and moving data management downstairs, will complete Phase One.

Pate said the first phase will cost about \$315,000 to complete, "less if you can use in-house workers," he added.

Phase Two will deal with the second floor, where only the commissioners court will remain unscathed. The district attorney's office will move to the space vacated by the county judge and county attorney's offices. The new district court will fill the existing county court's space plus that formerly occupied by the auditor and treasurer.

The plan is to leave the third floor as it is, with the district clerk's office and the 142nd district courtroom staying in their spots.

The 238th district courtroom on the fourth floor would also remain in place, but the 318th district courtroom would undergo "massive" renovations, including an expansion into the old district attorney's office, Pate said. The court will move to the new courtroom on the second floor during the work.

"This is the most expeditious way to get two county courts-at-law and four district courtrooms short of replacing the structure or doing a massive addition — which failed miserably a few years ago in a bond election," Pate said.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Durward Wright said the time was ripe for a fourth district courtroom.

"We understand that our district courts are falling behind in civil cases because they have to try criminal cases in a reasonable amount of time," he said. "If we had a fourth district courtroom, we could have a visiting judge utilize it."

Attorney Charles W. "Bro" Seltzer said an affirmation of the single-member district judicial lawsuit would mandate a fourth district court and judge in the county. Otherwise, the county could petition Congress for a fourth district court judge on the basis of caseload and time lag. "In order to be prepared for the future, we need to go ahead with the fourth district court — we'll need it in the next ten years," Seltzer said.

The renovations will cost between \$600,000 and \$700,000 to complete, funded by certificates of obligation issued a week ago, Wright said. The certificates will also pay for the \$1.2 million library addition.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Approved the \$6.57 million tax roll for 1991.
- Appointed Seltzer and nominated Sam Flores to the Enterprise Zone Tax Abatement Committee.
- Reappointed Kenneth Peeler to the Enhanced 911 Board.
- Approved signing the fifth year of a state grant for the district attorney's office career offender unit. The grant is worth \$10,674 for 1991.
- Approved the city's management of on-site sewerage inspections in the county.

The city will charge a \$35 fee to inspect septic tank sites, a \$75 reduction from the fee charged by the state health department, which is now allowing local municipalities to oversee the inspections.

Skaggs recalling canned beans

Staff Report

Skaggs Alpha Beta was informed Monday that Lakeside Packing Co. of Manitowoc, Wis., is voluntarily recalling 16-ounce canned green beans sold under the store's private label.

The Skaggs beans are being recalled because some of the product may not have been cooked.

The cans in question sold under the Skaggs Alpha Beta label bear one of the following two line codes embossed on the top or bottom: GC3JC-48220 or GC3JC-28220.

Lakeside Packing said the action is a precautionary measure, taken because the product could support the growth of harmful spoilage organisms. The company is working closely with the Food and Drug Administration conducting the market withdrawal and has received no reports of illness, a release said.

The recall on the Skaggs Alpha Beta product is part of a nationwide recall affecting products sold under 19 other brand names.

Skaggs Alpha Beta is asking customers who may have recently purchased 16-ounce cans of green beans with the product codes GC3JC-48220 or GC3JC-28220 not to consume the product and to return it to the store where it was purchased for a full refund or replacement. No other products are involved.

Consumers seeking more information should contact Ben Mazow, Skaggs Alpha Beta, (214) 689-4512 or Douglas Quick, Lakeside Packaging Co., 1-800-558-3334.

Crime Stoppers offering reward



Aug. 13.

Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 cash reward this week only for any information leading to the arrest and indictment of the person responsible for these robberies.

Call Crime Stoppers in Midland at 694-TIPS or in Odessa at 333-TIPS. All callers can remain anonymous.

LOCAL/AREA REPORTS

Murder charged

Staff Reports

ODESSA — A man was charged with murder Monday in connection with the shooting death of another man, Ector County sheriff's officials said.

Michael Lomax, 18, of Odessa, was being held in the Ector County Jail on a \$250,000 bond set by Justice of the Peace Chunky Hendrick, authorities said.

Lomax was arrested about 7:45 p.m. in connection with the death of an Odessa man found dead in his car Friday morning, police said.

Gary Nelson Slaughter, 47, was found slumped his car in the 8800 block of West County Road, officials said. Slaughter had one gunshot wound to his head, police said.

Armed robbery

Midland police were looking for a man who used a gun to rob the Western Sizzlin' Steak House late Monday, police said.

A white male wearing a red and white shirt robbed the 515 Andrews Highway restaurant about 8:50 p.m., police said.

The man escaped in a car,

possible a red and white Chevrolet Malibu, which was last seen near the intersection of Michigan Avenue and Midkiff Road, officials said.

No other information was available.

Possession

An Albuquerque, N.M., man was being held without bond Monday in the Midland County Detention Facility after he was charged with possession of a controlled substance, Midland police said.

Kyle Lee Harris, 20, was arrested about 4:15 p.m. Saturday in connection with the possession of 389 tabs of a substance believed to be LSD, police said. The narcotics have an estimated \$3,890 street value, police said.

The arrest was made after Midland Police Department Narcotics Unit detectives received a tip that a man carrying LSD would be arriving at Midland International Airport from a flight from Albuquerque, officials said.

In addition to the drug possession charge, Harris also faces charges of violating probation and evading arrest, police said.

THE QUIZ

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WORLDSCOPE

(10 points for each question
answered correctly)



1) Children here run to the border of Saudi Arabia as cars began lining up several days ago after Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein allowed (CHOOSE ONE: Kuwaiti nationals, Saudi citizens in Kuwait) to flee that nation.

2) France's President Francois Mitterrand ordered 4,000 more French troops to the Gulf a few days ago, after Iraqi troops stormed the French Ambassador's residence in Kuwait.

3) Archaeologists say the Gulf crisis is endangering research projects in the valley of the ...?.. and ...?.. rivers in Iraq, the site of ancient Mesopotamian civilization.

4) Nelson Mandela says South Africa's government believes that "snister outsiders" are manipulating and intensifying recent fighting between (CHOOSE ONE: black factions, the ANC and whites) in South Africa.

5) Soviet Prime Minister (CHOOSE ONE: Boris Yeltsin, Nikolai Ryzhkov) recently vowed to oppose Mikhail Gorbachev's plans and fight to preserve centralized control over the economy.

NEWSNAME

(15 points for correct answer or answers)

The Senate committee I head recently held hearings on the David Souter nomination. Who am I and what committee held those hearings?

YOUR SCORE:
91 to 100 points — TOP SCORE
81 to 90 points — Excellent
71 to 80 points — Good
61 to 70 points — Fair
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MATCHWORDS

(3 points for each correct match)

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| 1—residence | a—bloc |
| 2—snister | b—malevolent |
| 3—manipulate | c—challenge |
| 4—faction | d—abode |
| 5—confront | e—influence |

PEOPLE/SPORTS

(5 points for each correct answer)

1) After eight years of nominations, ...?.. finally won an Emmy Award for his portrayal of womanizing bartender Sam Malone on "Cheers."

2) Fall looks to be the season of the Mafia, with several new movies about gangsters coming out. One is "GoodFellas," from director ...?.. who made "Taxi Driver" and "Raging Bull."

3) Michigan fans were frustrated once again as number one-ranked (CHOOSE ONE: USC, Notre Dame) defeated the Wolverines for the fourth straight time.

4) Don Shula won his 200th game as coach of the Miami Dolphins. Only three other coaches have won 200 games with one club — George Halas with Chicago, Tom Landry with Dallas, and Curly Lambeau with ...?..

5) Pennant races are getting tighter in the East divisions of both leagues. But in the West, Cincinnati and defending champion ...?.. appear to be running away from the pack.

ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

Week of 9-24-90

World Scope: 1-Kuwaiti nationals; 2-Saudi citizens; 3-Texas; 4-Black factions; 5-Nikolai Ryzhkov.
Matchwords: 1-d; 2-b; 3-c; 4-e; 5-a.
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CITY SIDEWALKS

City staff gears up for annual auction

By Lyn Miller

It's City of Midland Auction time again!

The annual event, scheduled for Saturday at the city of Midland Service Center, 500 N. Carver, gets under way at 10 a.m. and promises to offer prospective buyers a wide array of items on which to bid. The gates will be opened at 7 a.m. for inspection of items to be sold.

Hundreds of surplus items or equipment no longer in use by the city will be placed on the auction block. Among the equipment to be sold are a police cruiser, a pickup truck, a used ambulance, a 21-passenger diesel city bus, 12-passenger window van and several garbage trucks.

This year's auction will include many kitchen utensils and appliances, as well as refrigerators, all previously used in the operation of the city jail.

Also offered for sale will be furniture, office equipment, obsolete auto parts, confiscated and unclaimed property and many miscellaneous items.

The annual event, coordinated by the City Purchasing Agent, affords the city considerable income from the auction proceeds, with the highest total receipt to date from the auction in the range of \$160,000.

Rene Bates Auctioneers of McKinney, who have conducted the city auction for the past several years, will be auctioneer for the sale. The expertise of this company is known throughout the state due to auctions conducted for cities such as Lubbock, Abilene and Dallas, as well as numerous state and federal sales, and those for large construction and utility companies.

Bates Auctioneers have demonstrated the ability to obtain the best possible price for the buyer and the seller, while presenting an honest appraisal of the condition of equipment and items offered for sale. Extensive advertising attracts not only local buyers, but many from surrounding Texas communities, neighboring states and Mexico. This type of auction is especially attractive to specialized buyers.

Computers are used by the company to record the progress of the sale, providing an up to the moment listing of items sold, the buyer, price paid and total sales amount as soon as a bid is accepted.

An auction of this magnitude takes months of planning to operate in a smooth, efficient manner. Employees of the Fleet Services Division spend many hours preparing equipment to be sold at auction, while city employees from Purchasing, Accounting, Parks and other departments devote much of their time to the preparation and operation of the auction. In fact, planning for the next auction begins almost immediately following the close of the sale.

Several days before the event, advance men from Bates Auctioneer arrive to make detailed lists, tag and number each item to be sold.

Get the auction fever! Registration is required to be a bidder, but it is not necessary to attend the auction and just browse. So, come out on Saturday to this year's City of Midland Auction and maybe you'll go home with a real bargain!

Lyn Miller, an employee of the city secretary's office, coordinates information for this column.

DAVIS: Old-timer has 'done every kind of job'

(From 1B)

gine leveled off after pulling up the long grade of the caprock, over-steamed and the boiler blew up.

By 1910, the Davis family was out of town and far into the country.

The father's health was failing, and he left railroading and the roundhouse filled with coal smoke.

The family — J.P., Mary and their children — moved 16 miles north of Big Spring.

"We ate a lot of rabbits," Joe Davis said. Beef, if there was any, was put on a wagon and peddled.

Later, the family headed east to Westbrook, where the family sharecropped on the halves and did some ranching.

"I've done every kind of job. I picked cotton and done everything else when I grew up," Davis said.

By 1917, the family was in Clyde on east of Abilene. They got there

by covered wagon.

"This country got so dry," he recalled. "It just rained four inches that year."

Though a year of widespread drought, 1917 was the year of the Ranger oil boom.

And while young Joe Davis stayed on the farm and raised cotton to sell and grain to feed the working stock, his father went to the oil-field as a tinsmith.

Back then, most families kept chickens for practical reasons: eggs for breakfast and fried chicken for dinner and supper.

"The coyotes, they'd eat up the chickens," Davis said.

They weren't the only ones who liked chicken.

"I ate so much chicken," Davis quipped, "I'd climb up a tree every time I heard a coyote howl."

By 1924, Joe Davis was working for the railroad — firing up engines in the roundhouse at Baird. He wasn't getting rich.

"Most of us poor folks couldn't

afford the Pullman," he said. "Everything that you ate on the train would cost you three prices."

While the train was "a'running and a'rocking" down the tracks, the porters and waiters on the trot could keep rhythm with the train's swaying.

"And they'd come through there just going in a trot. They could handle that stuff," Davis said.

A seasoned brakemen could run on top of moving freight trains like a sailor on a ship.

Still in the 1920s, Davis worked for a stone plant in Cisco cutting Barstow red sandstone for the Bexar County Courthouse in San Antonio.

He made 35 cents an hour, but the managers "got to where they weren't paying us anything." The workers had to virtually "beg for money."

The craftsmen, the stonecutters, were making "a dollar and six bits," \$1.75 an hour.

In another job, Davis was put-

ting in a gas line.

"There wasn't no job security. You just done the best you could," Davis said. "A lot of people was waiting to get a job at 35 cents." Then, he went on west.

Davis was second cook for an oil company doodlebug (seismographic) crew south of Midland.

"I was a cook, second cook, so I could eat," Davis said.

But the outfit had a "real cook" from a "high-powered cafe in Ranger during the boom, but whiskey got the best of him," Davis said. "If he had been on a drunk, I'd do the cooking. I learned a lot from him. He was good friend of mine."

After doodlebugging, Davis did some carpentry work.

By 1930, Davis was working in the Yates Field. He stayed in the oil patch until 1948, left Big Spring in his wake, went full steam into life insurance work, and settled in Midland, for keeps, in 1949.

"I've gotten along all right."

VOLUNTEERING

Support those in need in the Midland community and overseas. Here are just a few of the volunteer opportunities currently available.

■ Be a pen pal to a soldier involved in Operation Desert Shield. Nothing compares to a letter in boosting the morale of the soldiers currently stationed in Saudi Arabia. You will be given the name and address of a serviceman buddy to send correspondence.

■ Too early to think about Christmas? An agency is thinking ahead and needs volunteers to provide "Care Packages" of personal grooming items to the troops overseas engaged in Operation Desert Shield. Share the spirit of the season with a soldier! A list of items to choose from will be provided.

■ Want to make a positive influence in a person's life? Want to share experiences with neat young people? Want to work with

wonderful volunteers? Be a leader! There is no better job! Many opportunities are available.

■ Are you interested in or have knowledge about the historical past of Midland? A local organization is compiling photographs, newspaper articles and other memorabilia about Midland and needs your help! Light typing, photocopying, and filing are required, and the hours are flexible.

■ School has just begun and the need for reading tutors and homework helpers has increased. You can help elementary school children successfully complete their homework and learning goals. Volunteers will be needed one or two afternoons Monday through Thursday between 2:30-3:30 p.m. or 4:30-6:30 p.m.

For more information on these and other volunteer opportunities, please call the Volunteer Center of Midland, 697-8781.

MLK: Three-year upgrade planned

(From 1B)

and way up into the night.

"I'm also pleased with the manner in which the park is kept up. There's very little destruction out there."

Councilman Jose Cuevas said development of the park may not end with the upcoming plans.

Original plans called for constructing an amphitheater, which, among other uses, would provide a group meeting place, he said.

"Maybe the city can come back in a couple of years and build that amphitheater," he said. "We're already planning to do a bunch of upgrading over a three-year period. We want it to be a very used and appealing park."

Bissinger call-in rescheduled

ODESSA — A radio call-in show featuring "Friday Night Lights" author H.G. Bissinger scheduled for today has been rescheduled for Friday morning, KRIL-AM General Manager Clyde Butter said Monday.

Butter said the show, which will air at 8 a.m. Friday, was rescheduled at the request of producers of 60 Minutes, the CBS television news show. A 60 Minutes crew will be in Odessa Friday and will film the live call-in show, Butter said.

Bissinger, who originally had planned to do the show from Odessa, will participate via phone from Chicago. He cited threats from Odessa residents for canceling his trip to the Permian Basin.

"Friday Night Lights" is an inside look at the Permian High School football program. It has generated controversy in Odessa, where residents are still in an uproar over recent University Interscholastic League sanctions against the Permian program.

The call-in show will air on KRIL 1410-AM and will last at least an hour, Butter said.

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Bustamante offers amendment to keep drug task forces alive

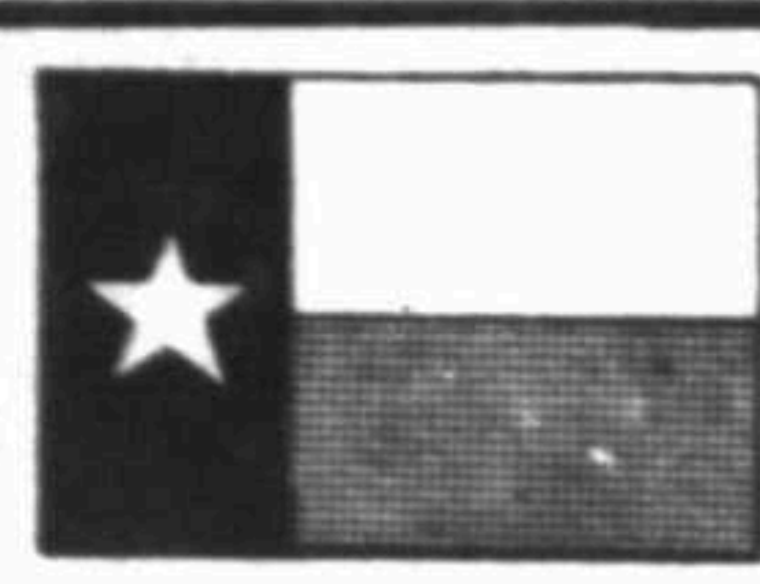
WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas congressmen lobbied again Monday to change the part of the 1990 crime bill that would wipe out 49 drug-fighting task forces in the state.

The House Rules Committee late Monday was considering whether to allow debate on an amendment to the bill that would save the task forces.

Rep. Albert Bustamante, D-San Antonio, offered such an amendment. A similar amendment was offered by Reps. Lamar Smith, R-San Antonio, Charles Wilson, D-Lufkin, and Ike Skelton, D-Mo.

When the bill was created in the House Judiciary Committee, Rep. Romano Mazzoli, D-Ky., wrote a provision that redistributes federal drug-fighting money to large cities rather than states. Louisville, the city Mazzoli represents, will get more money under the provision, officials said.

The provision would wrest \$27 million in proposed 1990 funds from the Texas task forces, which involve law enforcement agencies in more than 200 counties.



STATE

The U.S. Conference on Mayors reported last week that this year's money had become bogged down in state and local bureaucracies.

But lawmakers countered in a news conference Monday that the Texas task forces had received \$23 million in 1989.

Smith said that strictly giving money to cities to fight drugs would do little to counter the drug supply problem. "The front lines so often are rural and border areas," Smith said.

"Drug trafficking has tentacles all over," Skelton said.

In a separate statement, Bustamante said communities like Del Rio and Laredo help fight the drug supply before it reaches metropolitan areas. "Eliminating rural drug task forces will hurt urban as

well as rural areas," Bustamante said.

Wilson said the task forces have been successful in East Texas. "The people on the front line, the police and local officials, like it. They tell us it works," he said.

The Mazzoli amendment would distribute money to law enforcement agencies on the basis of size. In Texas, only agencies in the state's six largest counties would receive money. The counties are Harris, Dallas, Bexar, Tarrant, Travis and El Paso.

Under the current law, the Texas Criminal Justice Division distributes the money primarily to law enforcement agencies that have formed task forces in rural and border areas.



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Cub debut

Killi, the lion and her cubs, Boris, Patty and Celesto, made their debut at the Houston Zoo in Hermann Park recently. Killi,

who gave birth in June, is the first African lion to have cubs at the Houston Zoo in almost 20 years.

Judge expected to rule on finance plan today

AUSTIN (AP) — A state judge was scheduled to hand down his ruling Tuesday on whether the state's new public school funding plan is fair to students in poor school districts.

The plan was passed by the Legislature in June after four special sessions.

Lawmakers anted up an additional \$528 million for public schools in 1990-91 and made numerous changes backers said would improve education.

But poor school districts challenged the new funding plan. They argued that it is no different from the old system that was scrapped by the Texas Supreme Court. The high court ordered the state to even out funding to rich and poor school districts.

State District Judge Scott McCown's office said Monday that he would make public Tuesday morning his written opinion on whether the new law is constitutional.

The measure likely will remain in effect this school year, but most observers say students are unlikely to see sweeping changes right away. In a system as large as Texas — with 1,068 school districts spending more than \$14 billion annually to educate 3.3 million students — \$528 million is absorbed quickly.

Half a billion dollars "just doesn't go very far in a system of 3 million kids," said Craig Foster, executive director of the Equity Center, a group of poor school districts.

State Education Commissioner W.N. Kirby has said, "You've got to keep in perspective how enormous the system is. While the money is needed, and it can do some good things in some districts, it's not a dramatic increase."

Kirby emphasizes the plan's final phase, when in five years the state proposes to spend \$2 billion more each year on public education.

STATE IN BRIEF

Agency seeks start-up funds

HOUSTON (AP) — The state shellfish sanitation division wants to double its budget to about \$1.3 million to start a program that would monitor chemicals in fish and shellfish caught for seafood.

"There is no agency that can say seafood in Texas is free of toxins, and we feel there should be some program to do that," said Richard Thompson, director of the Texas Department of Health's shellfish sanitation division.

Legislators in recent years have refused to provide funds requested by the health department for a similar sampling effort.

Last week, the state health department issued advisories to limit consumption of certain species from parts of Galveston Bay, the Houston Ship Channel and the Brazos and Neches rivers after the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency relayed its findings about dioxin in aquatic life.

Texas couple killed

ELIOT, Maine (AP) — Federal investigators worked Monday to determine whether engine failure or some other problem caused a small airplane to crash, killing the four people on board, including a couple from West in central Texas.

The victims were identified as Maj. James Henderson and his wife, Alta, both of Virginia Beach, Va., and Louis J. Wernet Sr. and his wife, Loretta, of West, Texas, said Stephen McCausland, spokesman for the Maine Public Safety Department.

Henderson, who was flying the plane, was an experienced fighter pilot with the U.S. Air Force and was based at Langley Air Force Base in Hampton, Va., authorities said.

Witnesses at the Littlebrook Airport told investigators they tried to flag down the plane before it took off because it "was running poorly," McCausland said.

The single-engine Piper Comanche PA-34 had barely gotten off the ground when it crashed at 2:15 p.m. Sunday.

Mattox offers advice

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox said Monday his future is undecided, and he

won't forget his failed bid for governor.

And, he said, the candidate who beat him in the Democratic primary, Ann Richards, needs to make people laugh at her Republican rival Clayton Williams.

"We've allowed him to be just a good-natured, old country boy that in effect hides the real Clayton Williams," Mattox told reporters after addressing the Attorney General's Conference on Government for the 90s.

"She needs to cause the voters to laugh at Clayton Williams and not laugh with Clayton Williams," Mattox said.

Mattox told approximately 250 people at the conference that he will be available for work after January when his second term as attorney general expires. State Rep. Dan Morales, D-San Antonio, and state Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, are vying for the job.

"I'm going to be unemployed," said Mattox, a former state lawmaker and congressman. "Somebody asked me what I was going to do. I have absolutely no idea, and that's for the first time for 30 years."

Dropout rate studied

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — High dropout rates and the small number of Hispanics completing college are the results of low income, said a report released Monday by a Hispanic university association.

The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities study found that in 1988, 82.3 percent of white, non-Hispanic 18- to 24-year-olds completed high school. That compared with only 55.2 percent of Hispanics in the same age group.

The study also compared the same age group in 1987 among families with incomes of \$48,710 or above. It found little difference in their high school completion rates.

But only 7 percent of Hispanics fell in that income category, compared with 29 percent of white, non-Hispanic families.

"When Hispanic students come from families with adequate incomes, they graduate from high school," said Antonio Rigual, president of the association.

Many young Hispanics believe dropping out of school or sacrificing college plans to go to work are the only routes out of poverty, Rigual said.

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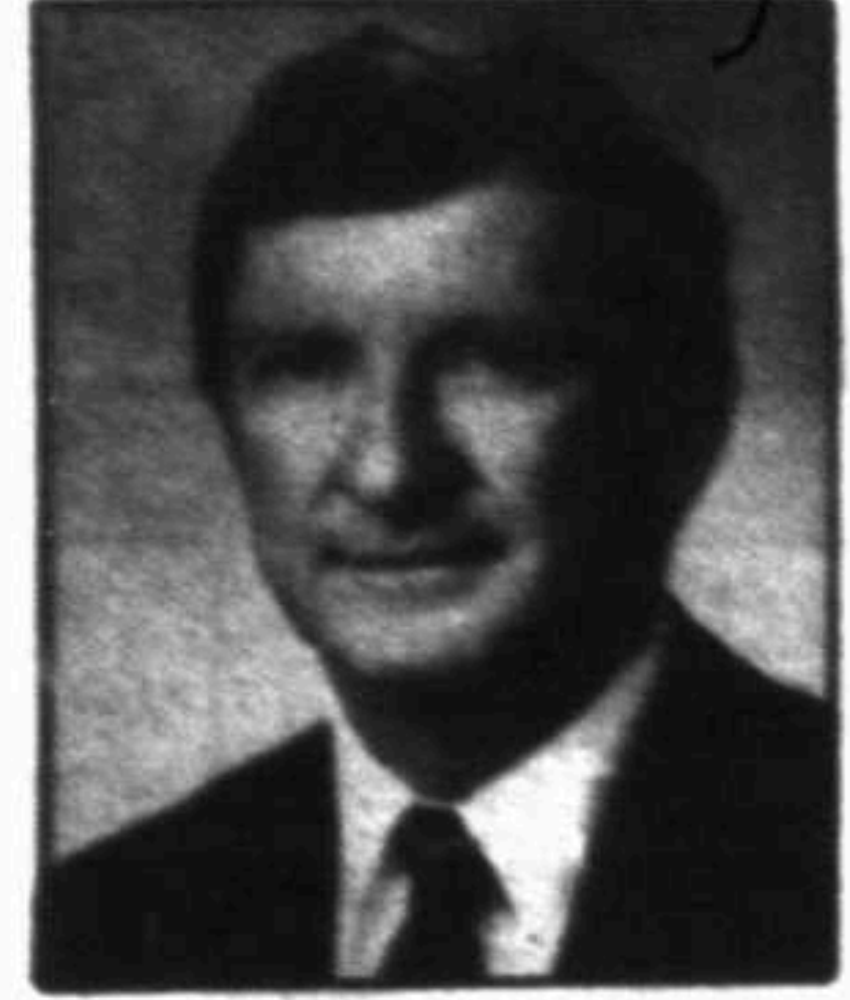
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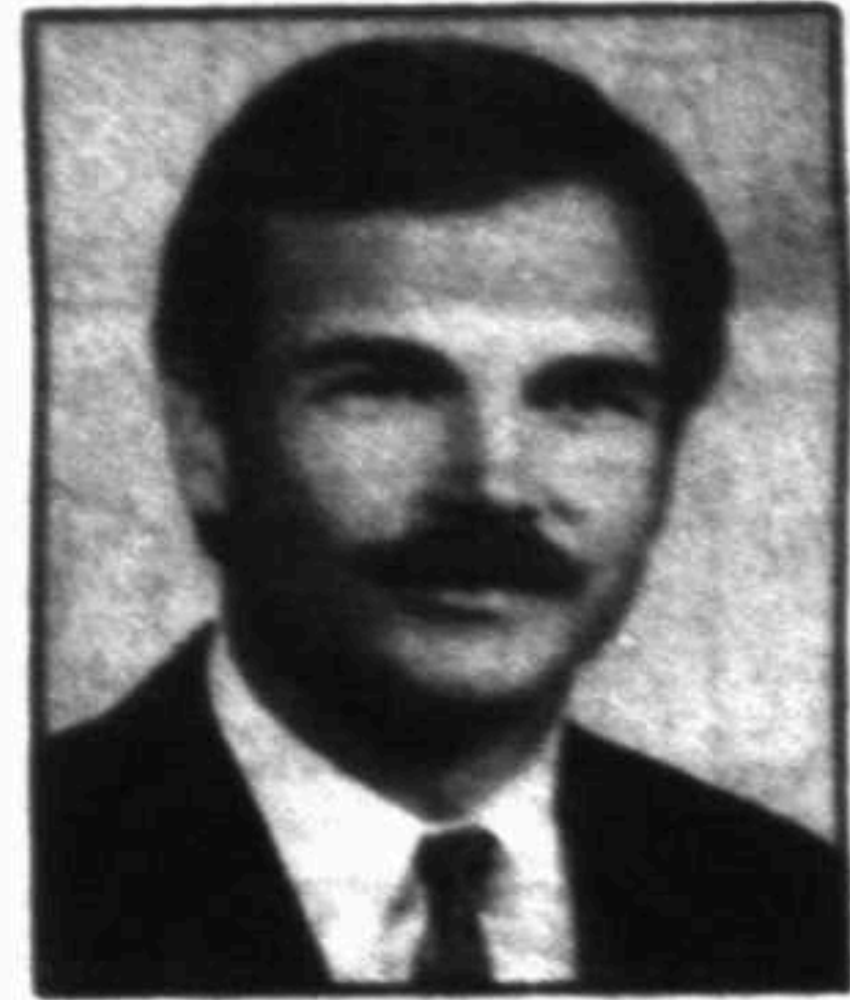
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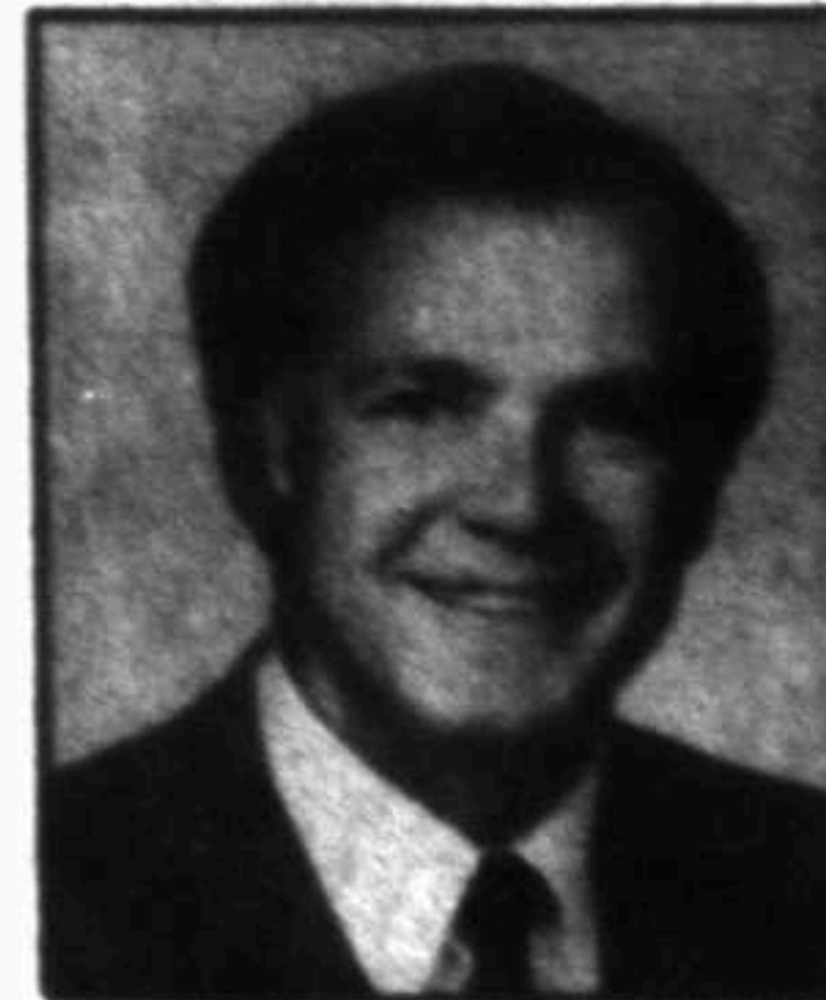
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Your Horoscope

By Jeane Dixon

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1990

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Extra money will be available in the months ahead but will probably come from sources outside your regular employment. Romance is mostly happy although marital ups and downs are possible in December. A special legacy in February 1991 will help you realize a long-cherished dream. Your insight into other people's motives will help you achieve a coveted goal.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: novelist William Faulkner, actor Michael Douglas, TV journalist Barbara Walters, actor Mark Hamill.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Be more discreet about business matters. A budget revision will help restore domestic harmony. Stick to tried-and-true methods at work. A lucky financial streak boosts your spirits.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be skeptical of gushing admirers, wild promises and pie-in-the-sky money schemes. A friend's financial maneuvers could irritate you. Do not be hasty. Having a short fuse could hinder progress.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Discussions about your career and dealings with officials or legal experts require all your attention. Do not allow minor irritations to get to you. Devote the evening to romance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): If

co-workers act picky, be tolerant. A positive attitude is often contagious! Be alert to unexpected bargains. Do not let your outspoken ways land you in hot water.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Yesterday's message holds true today. Before spending money on an extravagant dinner or betting, consider your budget. An affectionate interlude puts doubts to rest.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Seize an opportunity to improve your position at work by making a special presentation to bigwigs. Your recent efforts could be royally rewarded. Unique buys and intriguing business offers come your way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Follow an impulse and do something original today. Those working on academic projects may spend time refining their efforts. An interest in metaphysics could speed developments along.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Buying and selling stocks or real estate is favored. Romance, whether secret or open, is on the agenda. Trips and distant contacts may prove an

inspiration to you. Dreams seem to offer guidance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Luck is with you. You do well in business discussions and when seeing professional people. A pragmatic determination to maintain the pace works wonders. Complete projects already under way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Begin digging beneath the surface. Become more resourceful and selective in your activities. Make the most of current conditions. Someone invites you to lend your talents to a special event.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may need time by yourself, or with a loved one, to go over your ideas and upcoming schedule. A psychic experience proves enlightening. Your energies can best be applied to practical tasks.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Avoid legal and financial controversies. Your gifts could lead to new applause and public acclaim. You overcome someone's objections to a special plan. Romance beckons with new insistence.

TODAY'S CHILDREN want the good things in life and are willing to work hard to achieve them. Music and art lessons are a wise investment for these creative and diligent youngsters. They love an audience and will enjoy performing in public. They have a real talent for making something beautiful out of the ordinary. Count on these flexible Libras to age gracefully, confident of their appeal and many strengths.

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Neither vulnerable. West deals.

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♠ A Q J 10
♥ 8 6
♦ Q 7 5 3
♣ A 9 2

WEST
♠ K 9 8 7 4 2
♥ A
♦ J 9
♣ Q 7 6 4

EAST
♠ 3
♥ 10 9 7 4 2
♦ A K 10 8 6 4
♣ 5

SOUTH
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♣ K J 10 8 3

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
2 ♠	Pass	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	3 NT	Dbt	4 ♣
Dbt	Pass	Pass	Pass

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Opening lead: Jack of ♦

Sometimes it just doesn't pay to win a trick. This hand is unusual in that an unblocking play was available to both declarer and a defender.

West's two-spade opening was a little eccentric in that he had more strength outside his suit than in it. That is perhaps explained by the fact that sitting South was the peripatetic Pakistani Zia Mahmood, who earlier this year won the first Omar Sharif World Individual Championship, but who is given to occasional flights of fancy in the auction. The rest of the bidding was normal.

West led the jack of diamonds, covered by the queen and won by the king. Declarer ruffed the continuation of the ace of diamonds and led the king of hearts to West's ace. The spade return was successfully finessed. Declarer came to hand with a trump to the king and ran the ten. Next, the spade finesse was repeated and the ace of trumps was cashed. On this trick West jettisoned the queen! Now there was no

way declarer could avoid two more heart losers—down one.

Now let's see what happens if declarer ruffs the second diamond with the eight. The play continues as above, but after drawing the third trump, declarer continues with a heart to the queen. West cannot ruff because he would be endplayed and forced to return a spade into dummy's tenace. So declarer cashes the jack of hearts, West again discarding, and then throws West in with the carefully preserved three of

trumps. West must give the last two tricks to dummy and declarer has succeeded in holding his losers to one trick in each suit except for spades. A pretty hand all around.

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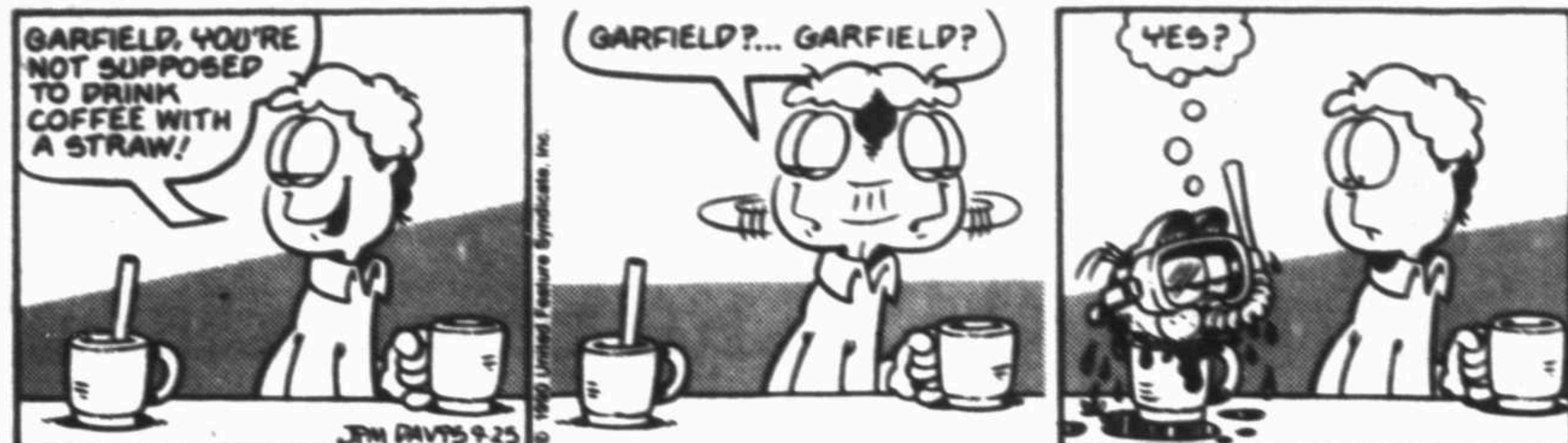


"Oh no, Elliott! Why?... Why?..."

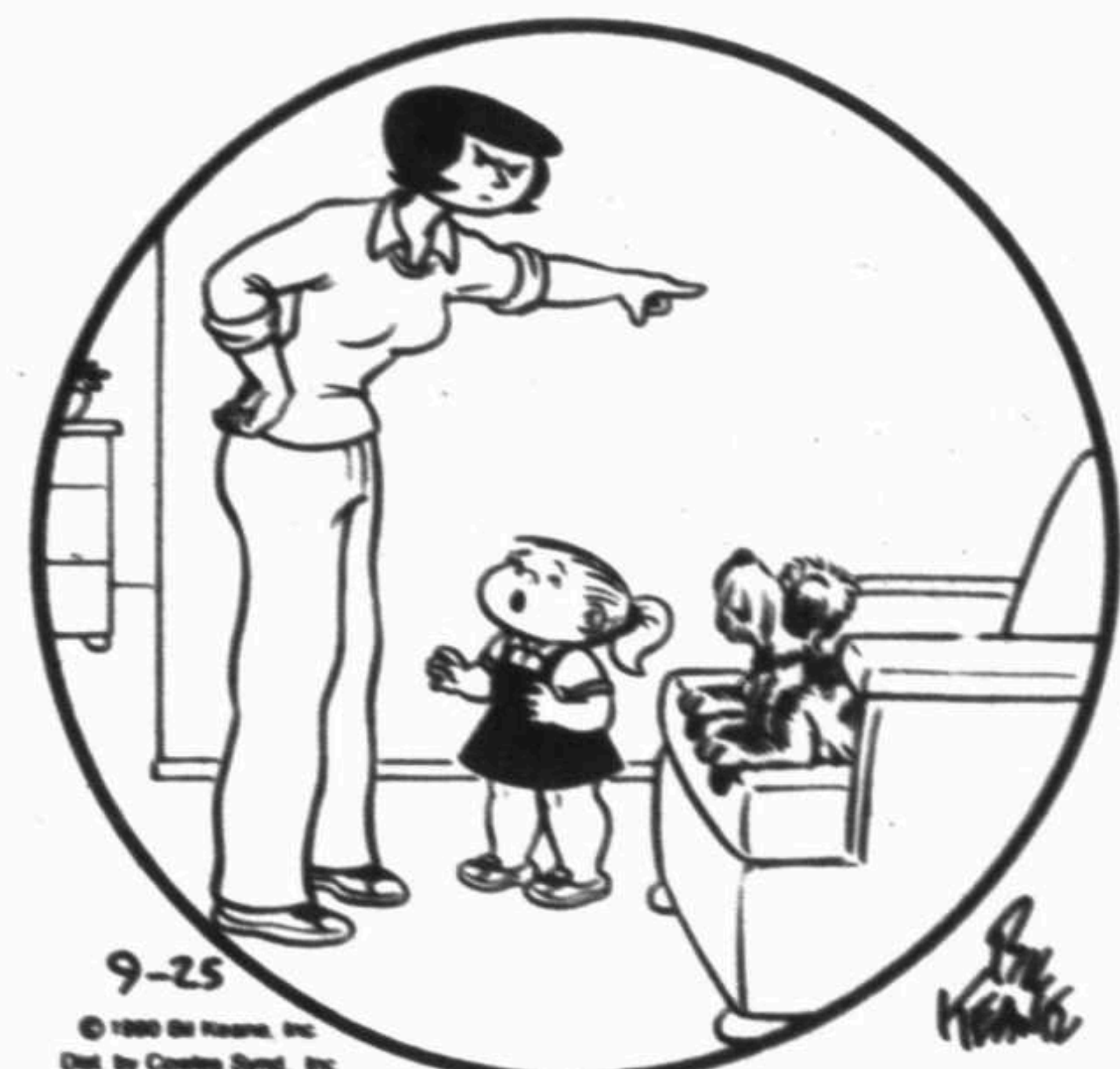
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'Honeymooners' co-stars appear together again

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was a bitter-sweet moment for "Honeymooners" fans. After all, what would Ralph Kramden say if he found his wife and best friend together in a love scene?

Did someone say, "To the moon, Alice?" Jackie Gleason wasn't alive to see it, of course, but Art Carney and Audrey Meadows — who played Ed Norton and Alice Kramden in the 1950s sitcom — did make moon eyes at each other in Monday night's episode of "Uncle Buck."

The 71-year-old Carney was a guest star on the CBS series, playing an old friend and mentor of Uncle Buck, Kevin Meaney, whom Buck calls, admiringly, a "scheming, low-life hustler."

Carney's character has a romantic interest in the character played by Meadows, a regular on "Uncle Buck."

"I play an Irish con man that knew Uncle Buck when he was a little kid," Carney told The Washington Post. "I make a play for Audrey and things work out very nicely."

Carney told the newspaper he received an ovation when he was introduced to the studio audience before the taping.

"In one shot in the script, Audrey has a line to me. She says, 'You know, you look so familiar. Have I seen you somewhere?'"

It wasn't meant to be a play on their relationship or anything, but the studio audience started to laugh. So we had to wait a few seconds and continue with the script."

MAKKUM, Netherlands (AP) — Two months after he bought it, Donald Trump sold the Amels BV shipyard, which had been building him the largest yacht in the world, shipyard officials said Monday.

Trump was forced to sell Amels because of financial troubles afflicting his investment empire, Amels bookkeeper Andries Bosma said.

Bosma said the shipyard was sold for an undisclosed amount in late July to Peter Kuttel, an American businessman.

Earlier this year, Trump halted construction of the Trump Princess II, a \$230 million yacht being built at Amels.

At the time, Dutch newspapers reported that the halt was ordered so that Trump could consider certain design changes. However, Bosma conceded Monday that the yacht's construction was "stopped for lack of money."

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jill Eikenberry and Michael Tucker, co-stars of NBC's "L.A. Law," acted as hosts of an auction of Hollywood memorabilia held to benefit a West Coast writer's group.

A script of the Academy Award-winning screenplay for "Casablanca," signed by co-author Julius J. Epstein, brought \$850 and was among 100 items sold Sunday to raise money for the Los Angeles chapter of PEN (Poets, Playwrights, Editors, Essayists and Novelists).

All five drafts of the script for "Hello Dolly" brought \$425, and two photographs taken by renowned Hollywood photographer George Hurrell sold for \$600 apiece.

Auction organizers said they were uncertain how much money was raised but believed it to be in excess of \$25,000.

LONDON (AP) — There's nothing wrong with Prince Charles that time and physical therapy can't cure — except maybe the British press corps, his surgeon said Monday.

Dr. Christopher Colton decried "the intensely aggravating speculation and intrusion" about the prince following a second operation to repair his broken right arm.

Colton, an orthopedic surgeon at Nottingham University Hospital, said the 41-year-old heir to the throne was "making an excellent recovery" from the injury he suffered when he fell from his polo pony on June 28.

The prince had an operation that day but had to undergo a second on Sept. 1.

Newspapers have suggested the prince is in considerable pain, that the arm will not heal, that infection has set in, that the prince is depressed about it and that Buckingham Palace is covering up by saying there is nothing to worry about.

Colton, who performed the second operation, said in a letter to The Times of London that the prince is "certainly in some pain from time to time," but that it was normal during therapy.

"There is no infection, no complication and no known impediment to a full recovery, other than the undoubtedly stress of having a battalion of photographers camped outside one's bedroom window," the surgeon said.

NEW YORK (AP) — Clara Hale, called an American hero for her work on behalf of orphaned and drug-addicted children, remained hospitalized Monday for treatment of chest pains.

"A series of tests conducted over the weekend showed she is in good condition," said hospital spokeswoman Jean Brett. Family members thought Mrs. Hale would be released Monday, but hospital officials said she was staying for more tests.

Today's TV Schedule

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 1990

Programs subject to change without notice

	KMD Cable 3	KOSA Cable 8	KTPX Cable 9	KPEJ Cable 14	FAM Cable 4	WTBS Cable 7	SIN Cable 10	WGN Cable 11	ESPN Cable 12	KOCY Cable 13	HSE Cable 20
7:00	Good Morning America	This Morning	Today	Shoppers Chumpkins	Dinosaurs	Gilligan's Island	TV Muz	Waka, Rattle & Boom	Nation's Bus	Body Electric	Wild America
8:00				Monsters	Our House	Little House on the Prairie	Movie: "Mentiras"	Bewitched	NFL Yearbook	Sesame Street	
9:00	Sally Jessy Raphael	Family Food	Let's Make a Deal	Live - Regis & Kathie Lee	700 Club	Movie: "Rules of Marriage"		Magnum, P.I.	Virginia Classic	Mister Rogers	Sq. 1 TV
10:00	Home	Price is Right	Tell the Truth	Robert Tilton	Heart to Heart	By the Book		Joan Rivers	Getting Fit	3-2-1 Contact	Hometime
11:00	Graham Kerr Family Ties	Young and the Restless	Joker's Wild	Andy Griffith	Let's Eat	Healthy Kids	Perry Mason	Geraldo	In Motion	French Action	
12:00	All My Children	The Judge	Days of Our Lives	Benson	It's a Living	The Lady From	Movie: "Apache"	News	Monster Truck Racing	Yan Can Cook	McLaughlin
1:00	One Life to Live	As the World Turns	Another World	Brady Bunch	Yesterday	Uprising	TV Muz	Andy Griffith	Auto Racing: NASCAR	Mystery: Insp. Morse II	
2:00	General Hospital	Golding Light	Santa Barbara	700 Club	Father Knows Best	Tom & Jerry	Pistavision	H'mooner	Golf: International Open	El Matador	
3:00	Garfield	Oprah Winfrey	Challengers	Chip 'n' Dale	Pontoon	Pepe	Alcanzar una Estrella	Chip 'n' Dale	Legends of Wrestling	3-2-1 Contact	Mister Rogers
4:00	Dinosaurs	Growing Pains	People's Court	Tale Spin	C.O.P.S.	Pepe	Laverne Good Times	Charles	Run and Race	SportsCenter	Major League
5:00	Cooler Show	Jasper! CBS News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
6:00	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
7:00	Who's the Boss?	Rescue 911	Matlock	Movie: "Jaws 2"			Baseball: Atlanta Braves	Baseball: Chicago Cubs	Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals	Civil War	SportsCenter
8:00	Rescue 911	"Good Night, Sweet Wife: A"					at Cincinnati Reds	Yo Compro a Esquima	Pittsburgh Pirates	Civil War	Baseball: Los Angeles Dodgers
9:00	Shirley	Murder in Boston	In the Heat of the Night	Hunter	700 Club	A Place of Skulls	Deeds	Major League	Major League	Moyers' World	Baseball: Houston Astros
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8:00	Electric Blue	Movie: "The Whole Damn Thing"	Movie: "Par-	Movie: "Fire"	Movie: "Fire"		VideoMorn	Lassie	Globe TV: World Ticket	R. Roberts	Muppets
9:00	Movie: "Las Vegas"	Movie: "Torch Song Trilogy"	Movie: "The Glass Slipper"	Movie: "The Glass Slipper"	Movie: "The Glass Slipper"		Lost in Space	Euroopa's Castle	Fugitive	Larry Lee	Movie: "Or-
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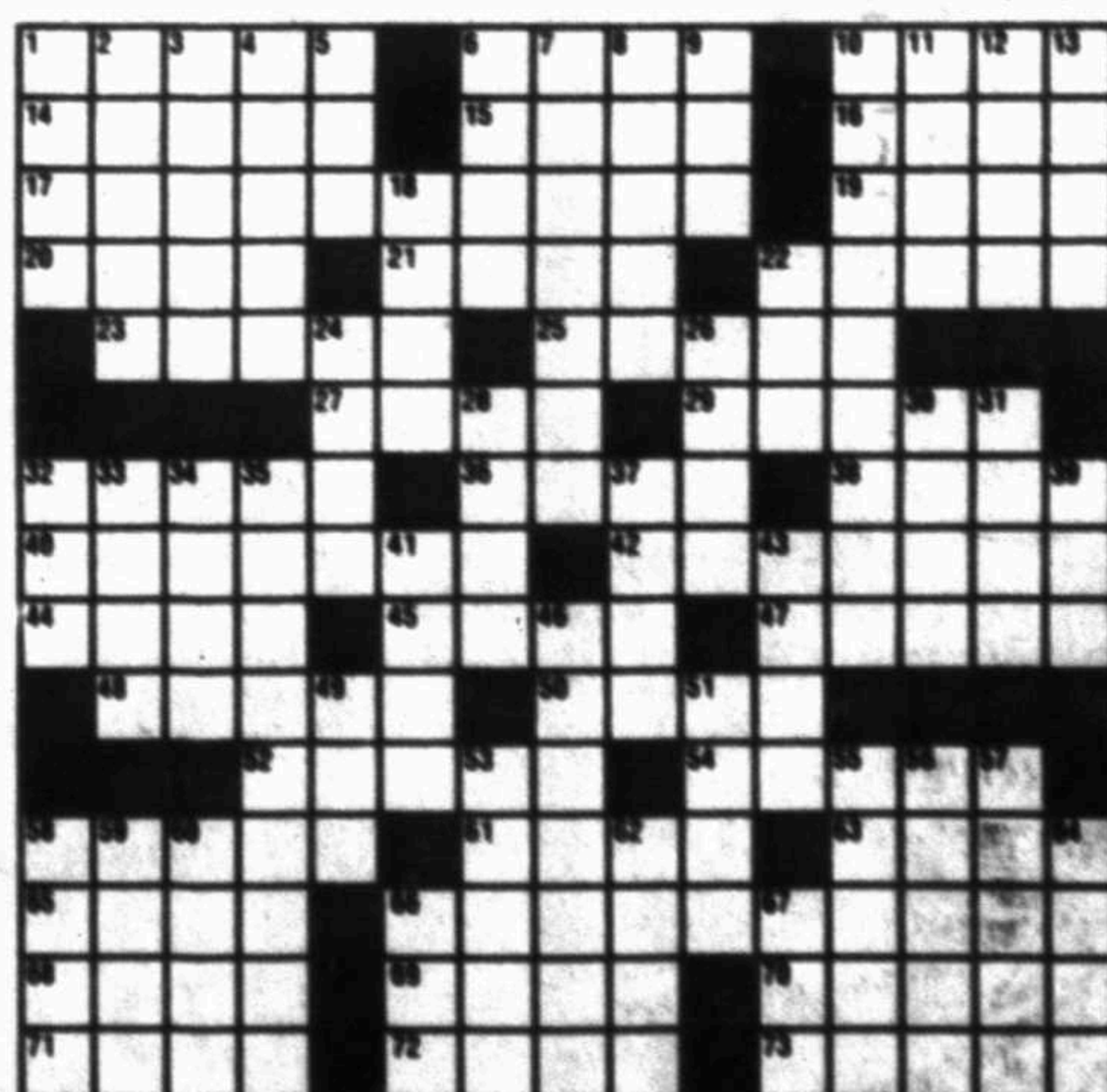
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Soviets move closer to free economy

MOSCOW (AP) — The Supreme Soviet legislature voted Monday to move toward a Western-style market economy and gave President Mikhail S. Gorbachev sweeping new powers to make the switch.

Despite warnings by some lawmakers that the special powers would make Gorbachev a virtual monarch, the legislature passed a resolution allowing him to issue decrees on property, wages, prices, the national budget, the financial system, and law and order.

Gorbachev promised to exercise the powers with care.

"It's a responsibility," he told the legislature. "It's not a tea party."

After rancorous debate, the lawmakers were unable to agree on a specific, step-by-step program to move away from the central planning system that they blame for technological backwardness and shortages of housing, food and consumer goods.

Instead of choosing one of the three plans presented in the past two weeks, the Supreme Soviet set up a committee to combine them



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and report back by Oct. 15.

Despite disagreement on how to make the switch, the Supreme Soviet's vote marked the first time it has committed the country to a market-based system and was a departure from seven decades of Communist economics.

Since the 1920s, ministries in Moscow have kept a tight grip on the economy, issuing detailed five-year plans that told thousands of factories, farms and businesses what to produce, where to sell it and how much to charge.

The most radical reform proposal, written by economist Stanislav Shatalin, calls for junking the central planning system and moving to a market economy within 500 days by selling factories to private

owners and breaking up collective farms.

The most conservative proposal, backed by Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, would leave the government in control of most of the economy while moving gradually to allow free enterprise.

Gorbachev has backed a compromise that contains many elements of the 500-day plan but would not move as fast. He also wants a national referendum to decide whether to return land to private farmers.

Before and during the Supreme Soviet's meeting, protesters gathered outside the Kremlin and at Pushkin Square in downtown Moscow to condemn the decision to give the president additional pow-

ers. They said Gorbachev did not deserve such authority because he was not elected by direct vote of the people.

"The people don't trust Gorbachev!" shouted a group of demonstrators outside the Kremlin's Spassky Gate. They held signs saying, "A President — Not an Emperor" and "All Decrees of the President are Battles Against Democracy."

Gorbachev was elected to a five-year term as president by the Supreme Soviet in March. Previously, his power had come from his position as general secretary of the Communist Party, which he has held since 1985.

The legislature voted 305-46, with 41 abstentions, to allow Gorbachev the special powers until March 31, 1992. The time limit was intended to cover a 500-day economic reform plan, should one be approved.

Winnie Mandela to stand trial

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Winnie Mandela and seven former associates will stand trial in February on charges of kidnapping and assaulting four young men, a magistrate decided Monday.

The wife of African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela stood silently during her arraignment in the Protea magistrate's court in Soweto.

Also on Monday, police found six bodies of young men along railroad tracks between Johannesburg and Soweto black township. All bore multiple injuries, indicating the victims may have jumped or been thrown from a train, police officials said.

The charges against Mrs. Mandela stem from a December 1988 incident in which a teen-ager was killed. The former head of Mrs. Mandela's bodyguards, Jerry Richardson, has been convicted of murder and sentenced to death in the case.

During Richardson's trial, the other three victims testified they were abducted by members of the Mandela United Football Club — Mrs. Mandela's bodyguards — and taken to her Soweto home.

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Forty killed in Mexico flooding

CHIHUAHUA, Mexico (AP) — Rescue workers searched collapsed low-income homes Monday for more victims of a flash flood that left at least 45 dead and 5,000 homeless, state officials said.

"There are still more dead," said Alfonso Magallanes Contreras, a Red Cross paramedic and rescuer.

More than 300 homes collapsed and 350 vehicles were swept away when a torrential, eight-hour rain sent floodwaters thundering down gullies and a normally nearly-dry river that cut through the northwestern mountain city.

The rescue effort and search for victims was focusing on the more than 300 homes that collapsed and on the gullies and river, Macias said.

Five die in explosion

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — A carbide oven exploded at a chemical plant in Transylvania on Monday, killing five people and injuring 10, state radio said.

Two of the injured were reported in critical condition.

Experts ruled out sabotage and said early findings indicated the explosion in Tirnaveni, 240 miles north of the capital, was probably caused by a mixture of air and carbon monoxide gases that collected near the furnace.

The blast came as the furnace was being prepared for operation after five weeks of routine maintenance checks, the radio quoted sources at the plant as saying.

It said damage could total \$1 million.

Elephants block tracks

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — A herd of elephants blocked rail tracks for several hours after a passenger train knocked down and killed an elephant calf Monday, United News of India (UNI) reported.

Elephants roaming in the surrounding forests came rushing after they heard the calf's cries and sat around its body on the tracks, the news agency said.

The train was on its way to Ootacmund, a popular hill resort in the Nilgiri mountains, 18 miles away.

UNI quoted the railways as saying that "the calf was killed as it suddenly appeared on the tracks."

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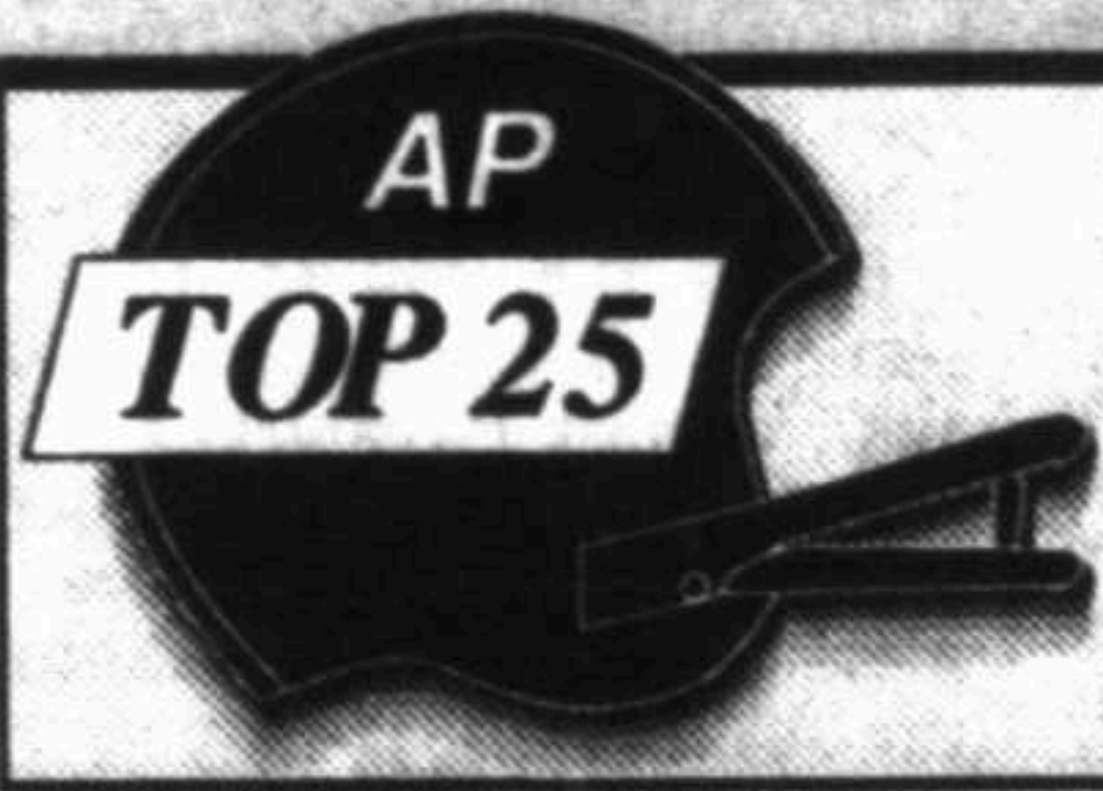
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For the week ending Sept. 22, 1990

School/Record	votes
1. Notre Dame, 2-0-0 (1)	1,478
2. Florida St., 3-0-0 (2)	1,397
3. Auburn, 2-0-0 (3)	1,384
4. Brigham Young 4-0-0 (4)	1,261
5. Tennessee, 3-0-1 (6)	1,168
6. Michigan 1-1-0 (7)	1,156
7. Virginia 4-0-0 (10)	1,106
8. Nebraska, 3-0-0 (8)	1,082
9. Oklahoma 3-0-0 (11)	1,042
10. Miami, Fla., 1-1-0 (9)	1,034
11. Texas A&M 3-0-0 (12)	916
12. Washington 3-0-0 (21)	787
13. Houston 2-0-0 (14)	696
14. Illinois 2-1-0 (15)	621
15. Ohio St. 2-0-0 (16)	595
16. Arizona 3-0-0 (18)	582
17. Florida 3-0-0 (19)	525
18. Southern Cal., 2-1-0 (5)	518
19. Clemson 3-1-0 (17)	510
20. Colorado 2-1-1 (20)	493
21. Arizona St. 2-0-0 (23)	281
22. Michigan St. 0-1-1 (24)	212
23. Arkansas, 1-1-0 (13)	155
24. Fresno St. 4-0-0 (-)	106
25. S. Carolina 3-0-0 (-)	64

(-) = Last week's ranking

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Death virus

WACO, Texas (AP) — A Baylor offensive lineman who collapsed at practice Sept. 13 and died Saturday, suffered from a previously undetected virus which caused "complete system failure," coach Grant Teaff said Monday.
Teaff said doctors who worked on John Karkoska said the 19-year-old redshirt freshman from Houston suffered from viral gastroenteritis.

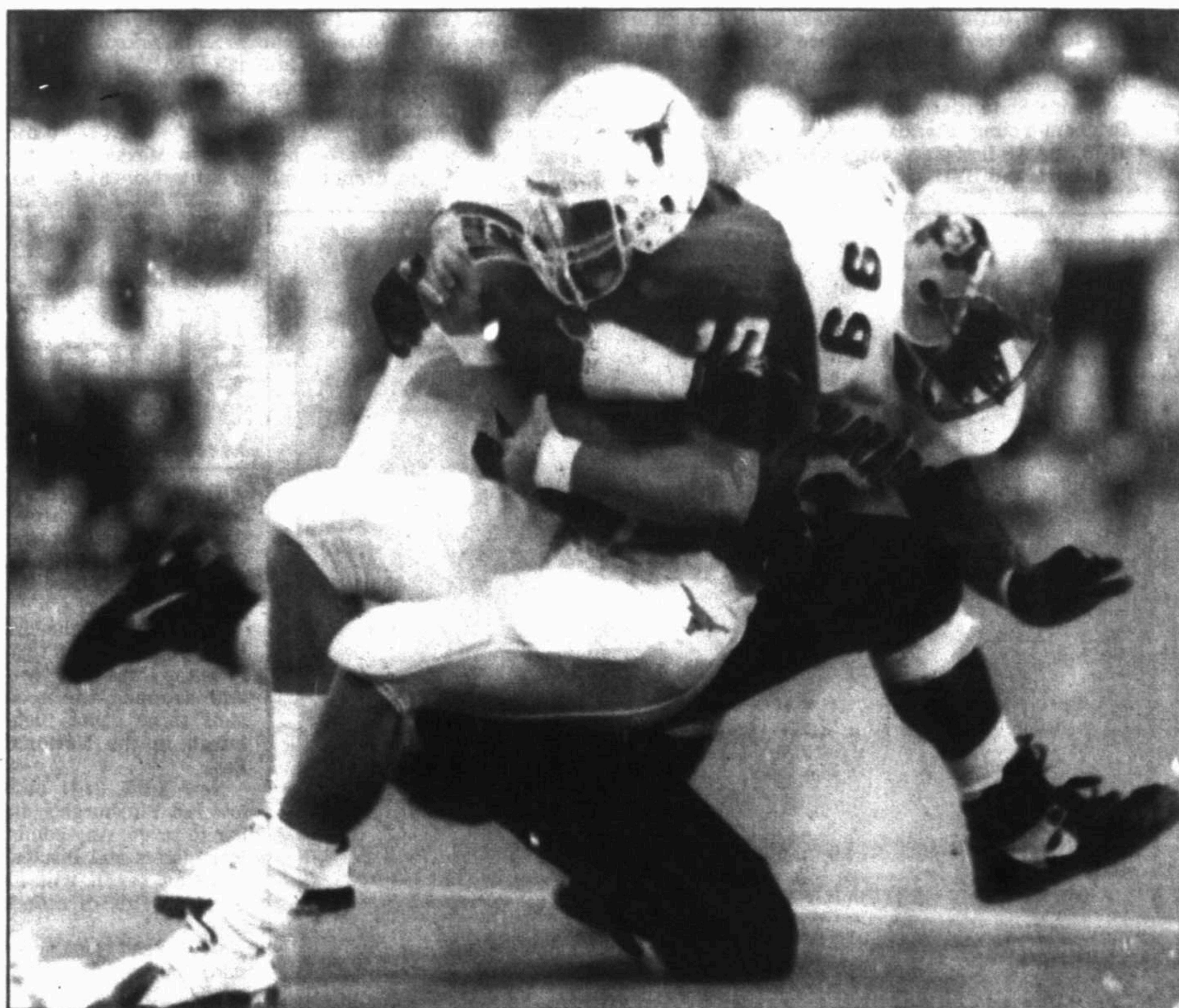
Trivia Teaser

Tuesday's Question — Who has the highest season batting average in the major leagues since 1950?
Monday's Answer — Ty Detmer is a San Antonio Southwest graduate.

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University of Texas quarterback Peter Gardere (10) finds the going tough in Saturday's game

against Colorado in a battle of two ranked teams, which the Longhorns lost 29-22.

McWilliams defends substitutions

■ Longhorn coach says confidence is the key word in making substitutions in crucial situations, but this time it cost him.

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas coach David McWilliams on Monday defended wholesale offensive substitutions against Colorado on a crucial series that turned the ball over to the Buffaloes and allowed them to score the winning touchdown.

Following a Colorado touchdown that had narrowed Texas' lead to 22-20, Texas took over at its 19-yard-line with approximately 10 minutes to play.

First-team quarterback Peter Gardere joined the huddle with 10 Longhorn subs. A 4-yard run, an incomplete pass that was tipped by Colorado's 6-foot-6-inch linebacker Alfred Williams, and another incomplete pass forced Texas to punt.

A 31-yard return carried to the Texas 35, and Colorado scored in seven plays on Eric Bieniemy's 2-yard run with 5:57 remaining for a 27-22 lead, which was later padded by a

safety on a Williams sack of Gardere.

"I don't think substitution had anything to do with that football game," McWilliams told his weekly news conference. "I guess you've got to try to find something, but I don't think that was the difference in the game."

"You work two teams all the time, and I think, too, on substitutions the worst thing you do is if you put them in after the game is over one way or the other," he said.

"If you're going to substitute, substitute them in there at a time when that game is still going on. I think that shows you have confidence in them," he said.

The official attendance for Colorado-Texas was raised Monday from 75,882 to 77,273, which makes it the third largest opening game football in Texas history.

The Longhorns have this weekend off and play Rice in Houston on Oct. 6.

McWilliams said Texas had several injuries in the Colorado game, but apparently they were not serious.

Safety Van Malone bruised his shoulder and dislocated a little finger, and Gardere was punched high on the inside of the nose and had a little trouble breathing, McWilliams said.

Center Todd Smith and linebacker Anthony Curl each strained a knee, and offensive tackle Chuck Johnson suffered a "turf toe," which often is an injury that heals slowly.

Buffalo, Thomas stampede over Jets

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Thurman Thomas ripped through New York's porous defense for a career-high 214 yards rushing Monday night as the Buffalo Bills beat the New York Jets 30-7.

Thomas' performance was well short of the NFL record of 275 by Walter Payton in 1977 and the team mark of 273 by O.J. Simpson in 1978. But, on this night, Thomas was every bit as dangerous as those all-time greats, averaging almost 12 yards a carry in the top rushing output in the league this season.

Games this early in a season rarely are considered pivotal. Both teams, however, had much to prove Monday night.

The Bills wanted to show they are not the same bickering outfit that struggled to win the AFC East last year. The Jets sought to show they are a playoff contender.

It was the Bills (2-1) who were convincing in moving back into first place in the AFC East, where they stood for 33 weeks before a 30-7 loss at Miami last week knocked them down a notch. After that game, star defensive end Bruce Smith was fined for his verbal assault on Coach Marv Levy on the sidelines when Levy removed six starters with seven minutes to go.

While Buffalo re-established its credentials in the division and beat New York for the sixth straight time, the Jets were

found wanting, particularly up front defensively. The entire Bills backfield could have rushed through the holes Thomas had.

After falling behind 7-0 when the Jets went 75 yards on their first possession to Brad Baxter's 1-yard touchdown run, the Bills began using a no-huddle offense. Ironically, it was Jets coach Bruce Coslet who was one of the masters of that play when he was the offensive coordinator for the Cincinnati Bengals.

Buffalo went 76 yards in seven quick plays, twice catching the unprepared Jets with 12 men on the field. James Lofton caught a 20-yard pass before New York linebacker Joe Mott was called for holding, negating Jeff Lageman's interception at the Bills' 38.

Kelly then found Keith McKeller wide open for 43 yards to the Jets' 1. Kenneth Davis ran it in on the next play.

Then Thomas went to work, breaking a 60-yard run straight up the middle on Buffalo's first play after a punt. It was the longest run of his pro career.

He added a 15-yard run to the 5 two plays later, but a sack by Lageman cost the Bills and Ron Stallworth blocked Scott Norwood's 24-yard field goal.

Red Devil bloodlines run deep

■ Rankin's Kirk Kennedy and Kevin Braden have the right background for West Texas football.

By Bill Grimes
Staff Writer

Kirk Kennedy's dad was an all-state football player at Breckenridge and is his high school coach. Kevin Braden's older brother was a three-sport standout at Rankin.

Bloodlines aside, both Kennedy and Braden want the Red Devils to maintain their lofty gridiron — and both appear to have the tools to make it happen.

Both were instrumental in the Red Devils' 27-14 win over fifth-ranked Garden City last Friday — quarterback Kennedy with a game-high 130 yards on 28 carries, due chiefly to the blocking of center Braden, who also made several clutch defensive plays in the final minutes.

But that's not all they do. Kennedy starts at defensive end while Braden is the middle linebacker. And their collaboration extends to special teams, where Kennedy handles the place-kicking and punting — after deep snapper Braden does his thing.

Red Devil coach Troy Kennedy considers both players nearly indispensable.

"We try to give Kirk a little rest because he's involved with the kicking game, and you don't want a dead-legged punter," Coach Kennedy said. "But Kevin pretty much stays in there."

"I think we took him out for one play last week."

Both Kennedy and Braden have been integral parts of the Rankin program since their freshman season two years ago.

Kennedy started the last 10 games of the season at defensive end while Braden was a two-way tackle.

Last year, the 175-pound Kennedy took over at quarterback for Braden's older brother Doug and led the Devils to the second round of the playoffs. Braden, meanwhile, was a two-way end.

Like many high school boys, both have matured physically since their freshman year. Both have gained about 10 pounds per season since they've been in high school.

Coach Kennedy said they have also grown mentally.

"They're more knowledgeable about the game," he said. The Red Devil mentor particularly singled out Braden for his ability to learn.

"Kevin has a very good idea about what goes on from tackle to tackle."

Both players have a very good idea about how to win.

With Rankin down 7-0 at halftime, the Red Devils stormed to four second-half touchdowns. Kennedy scored three of the four TDs on short runs, running primarily behind Braden, right guard Robert Hollingsworth and right tackle Ramon Garcia. Hollingsworth and Garcia both weigh over 200 pounds while Braden is listed at 185.

On defense, Braden was a key reason the Bearcats didn't get much done offensively in the fourth quarter. Perhaps the biggest play was his stop of Garden City's

Please see RANKIN/3C

JOE WYATT

Throwing out Walsh the wrong move

The Wyatt Book of NFL Doctrine defines "dynasty" as: A franchise that will consistently be favored to win games after its starting quarterback has been lost to injury...syn see 49ers.

Steve Young, an enigma to those outside the San Francisco fold, is in his seventh season as the heir-apparent to Joe Montana. The eighth and ninth years may come and go before the former Brigham Young star is considered Top Gun. That's a long time to wait for the reading of a will.

Yet the 49ers, fully aware that many of the teams in the league would be readily willing to gamble away their futures for a chance to make

Young their main man, pay him well and keep him on the San Francisco bench.

The 49ers have no plans to be dethroned by a crushing blow from some under-paid linebacker; Young will be there if Montana goes down. San Francisco fans sleep well in this knowledge, for they know the realities of the brutal sport their team has dominated in recent years.

Backup quarterbacks are only a sprain, fracture or concussion from the starting job, and they are being called upon with increasing frequency as quarterback sacks earn bargaining power akin to the number of touchdowns scored when contract talks roll around.

Indianapolis trainers had to help three Colt quarterbacks from the field on Sunday, meaning the first-rookie Jeff George had to crawl off the sidelines and finish the game with a stomach injury. The Colts lost.

Washington starter Mark Rypien suffered a sprained knee against the Cowboys on Sunday and stood with the help of crutches as his Redskins narrowly escaped a loss to Dallas. Washington did not score an offensive touchdown in the game.

Minnesota's Wade Wilson could be out for two months with an injured hand sustained in a losing cause against the Bears, and don't think that won't have an altering affect on the odds for weeks to come.

Right or wrong, gambling is a very real barnacle on the NFL boat, and odds — especially in big games where big sums are at stake — often waver on the strength of a team's No. 2 quarterback. It's that important.

And then you have the Dallas Cowboys, who paid a great price for Steve Walsh and have tried to peddle him ever since.

That's right, Steve Walsh. The guy who has as many wins as a Dallas quar-

terback as does starter Troy Aikman. One.

Aikman, rushed relentlessly by the Redskins Sunday, was sacked eight times. Fortunately, he did not have to leave the game. But had he been injured beyond immediate repair, the Pokes could have called on Walsh, who generated Dallas to a win the last time the two teams clashed in RPK Stadium.

The Cowboys seem intent on playing musical quarterbacks with New Orleans and the Los Angeles Raiders. By now they may have made a deal or nearing one, and Walsh may indeed become a member of the Saints.

The Wyatt Book of NFL Doctrine defines "cellar dweller" as: Any franchise willing to trade security for what may be behind Door No. 2...syn see Cowboys.

Joe Wyatt is a sports writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

Virginia obtains highest poll spot ever at No. 7

While the Cavaliers leap upwards, Southern Cal and Arkansas plummet in the AP Top 25 poll.

Associated Press

Southern Cal and Arkansas plummeted in the rankings after losing their first games, and Virginia jumped to its highest spot ever in The Associated Press college football poll.

Southern Cal dropped 13 places to No. 18 after getting blanked by Washington 31-0 and Arkansas fell 10 notches to No. 23 following a 21-17 loss to

Mississippi.

Virginia's 59-0 thrashing of Duke moved the unbeaten Cavaliers up three spots to No. 7. The best previous ranking for Virginia was No. 9 in 1949 and 1962.

Notre Dame remained No. 1 for the third straight week after edging Michigan State 20-19. The Fighting Irish received 43 first-place votes and 1,478 points from a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

Florida State is second, followed by Auburn and Brigham Young. Florida State, which beat Tulane 31-13, got 11 first-place votes and 1,397 points.

Auburn and BYU each received three first-place

votes, but the Tigers outpointed the Cougars 1,384-1,261. Auburn had the week off, and BYU beat San Diego State 62-34.

Tennessee is fifth, followed by Michigan, Virginia, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Miami, Texas A&M, Washington, Houston, Illinois, Ohio State, Arizona, Florida, Southern Cal, Clemson and Colorado. Rounding out the Top 25 are Arizona State, Michigan State, Arkansas, Fresno State and South Carolina.

Fresno State and South Carolina moved into the rankings for the first time this season, replacing Texas and Pittsburgh.

Fresno rose to No. 24 after beating New Mexico State 42-3 and South Carolina moved up to No. 25

after downing Virginia Tech 35-7. It is the second straight season that Fresno has been ranked. Last year, the Bulldogs got as high as 23rd.

Texas, 22nd last week, is 1-1 after losing to Colorado 29-22 and Pittsburgh, last week's No. 25, is 2-1-1 after tying Syracuse 20-20.

Washington made the biggest jump, nine places to No. 12.

Idle Tennessee moved up one spot to No. 5. Michigan rose a notch to No. 6 after defeating UCLA 38-15. Nebraska stayed at No. 8 after routing Minnesota 56-0 and Oklahoma moved up two places to No. 9 with a 52-10 victory over Tulsa.

Miami, which did not play, fell one spot to No. 10.

A.J. Foyt will be back

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A.J. Foyt, the winningest driver in Indy-car history and a four-time winner of the Indianapolis 500, could be back behind the wheel in four to six months, one of his doctors said Monday.

Foyt, who sustained serious leg injuries in Sunday's Texaco-Havoline 200 at Elkhart Lake, Wis., was flown Monday to Methodist Hospital, where he was expected to remain for 10 days to two weeks.

Foyt had a dislocated left knee, broken left tibia, a fractured left heel, a dislocated right heel and a broken bone in his right foot.

The driver underwent surgery Sunday night in Milwaukee and had an additional two hours of minor surgery Monday evening in Indianapolis.

The multiple wounds in his lower extremities and his feet were cleaned, some were sutured and new dressings were applied, hospital officials said.

He was listed in satisfactory condition Monday evening.

Dr. Terry Trammell, director of medical services for the Championship Auto Racing Teams, predicted Foyt could be walking within eight weeks and then would have to go through rehabilitation to prepare for next year's racing season.

Trammell said the decision on whether to return to racing will be Foyt's, but he said the 55-year-old driver should be physically able to return.

Searls tops Senior golf

Staff Report

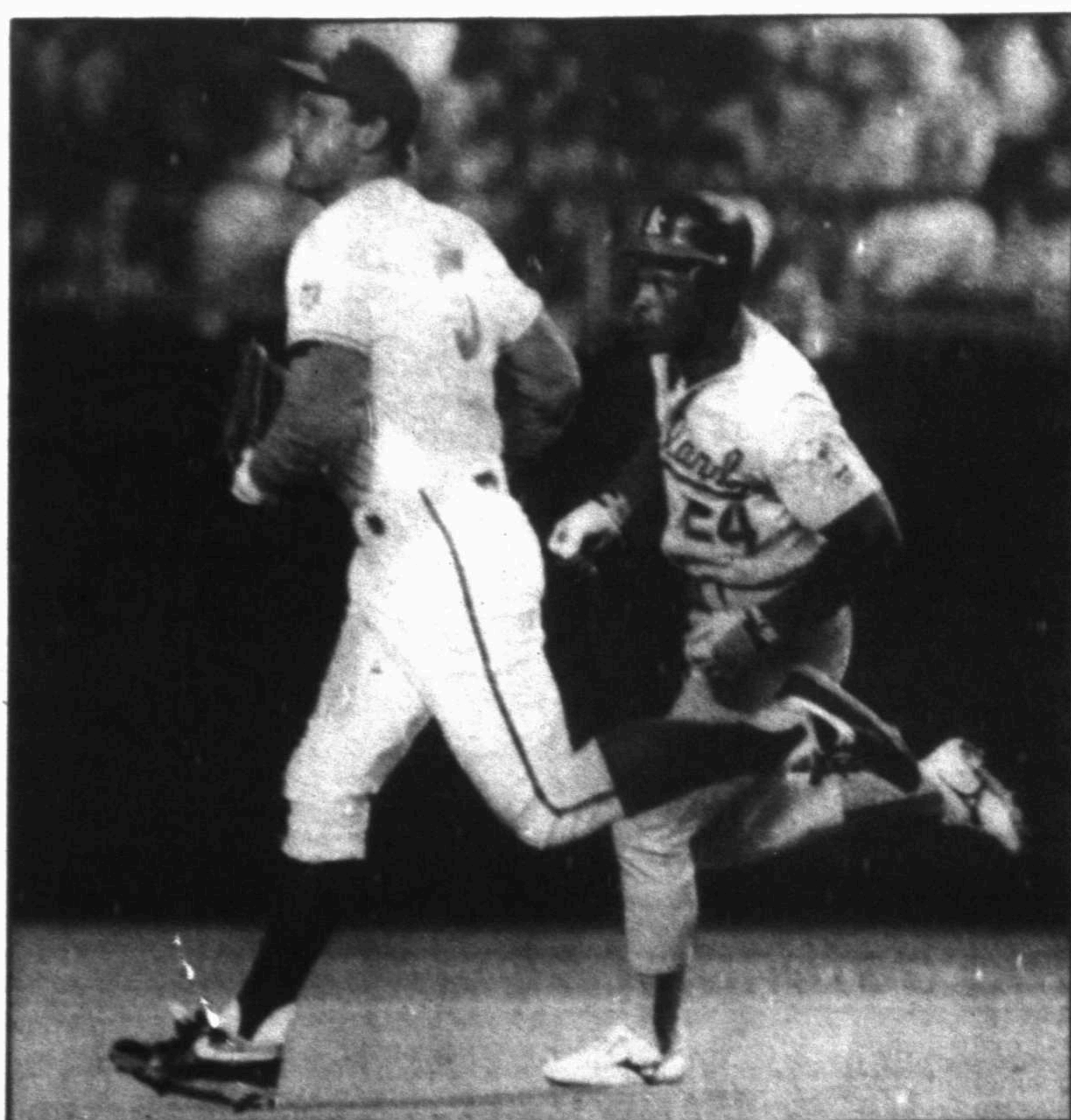
Defending champion Luisa Searls won the qualifying round of the Senior Women's West Texas Open with a 79 Monday at Green Tree Country Club.

The Odessa finished one stroke ahead of Lanell Guelker and Ruby Holmes.

Eighteen different clubs are represented at this year's tournament, which begins today at Green Tree Country Club. Golfers from as far away as Amarillo and Fort Worth are scheduled to participate.

The tournament starts at 9 a.m. today and continues through Thursday.

Here are scores from the qualifying round for this week's Senior Women's West Texas Open. The top eight finishers qualified for the championship final Championship Qualifiers:
Luisa Searls 79; Lanell Guelker, Ruby Holmes 82; Ann McIndoe 84; Suzanne Egan 85; Sally Ussell 86; Fran Martell 87; Mary Robinson 88.
Other Scores:
Wanda Hanson 89; Tex Whittemore, Debra Pank 90; Jean Abbott 91; Diane Vossler 92; Flossie Larrick 93; Claudia Hooty 97; Billie Foster 98; Nancy Swann 99; Carol Tidwell 100.



The top two American League hitters, George Brett, left, and Rickey Henderson are seen together on the base paths during game Monday in Kansas City.

Athletics fail to clinch

Associated Press

For the second straight day the Oakland Athletics failed to clinch a tie for the American League West championship, losing to the Kansas City Royals 10-3 Monday night as Kurt Stillwell doubled home the first of six runs in the fifth inning and added an inside-the-park homer.

Oakland, which was shut out on Sunday by Detroit, has an eight-game lead over the idle Chicago White Sox with nine games to play. The A's magic number is still two.

Kansas City's George Brett, the AL batting leader, was 0-for-3 and is hitting .330. Oakland's Rickey Henderson, third in the race, was 1-for-4 and stands at .320.

Royals starter Tom Gordon (12-11) scattered five hits and survived six walks in 6 1/2 innings. Mark Davis went 1 1/2 innings and Jeff Montgomery pitched the ninth. A's starter Curt Young (9-6) was charged with six runs in 4 1/2 innings.

Blue Jays 9, Brewers 5

Toronto increased its American League East lead over idle Boston to 1 1/2 games by defeating Milwaukee as George Bell broke an 0-for-13 skid by going 5-for-5 — three singles and two doubles.

Rookie Mark Whiten homered and Jimmy Key pitched seven solid innings for the Blue Jays, who are 16-6 in September and have eight games re-

maining, all on the road. The Red Sox have nine games left, eight at home, including three games with Toronto over the weekend.

Key (12-7) won his third straight decision, yielding three runs and seven hits in seven innings, including Dale Sveum's first home run in two years. Tom Henke went 1 1/2 innings for his 31st save as the Brewers lost their seventh straight.

Angels 3, Rangers 2

Nolan Ryan held California hitless for 5 1/2 innings and pitched a four-hitter but one of them was Lance Parrish's two-run homer in the seventh inning that powered the Angels over Texas.

The 43-year-old Ryan (13-8) walked two and struck out 11, giving him the major league strikeout lead with 221. But he was outdueled by Mark Langston (10-16), who pitched a four-hitter over 8 1/2 innings.

Orioles 6, Yankees 3

Cal Ripken led off the 10th inning with his 19th home run of the season and Billy Ripken added a two-run double as Baltimore, baseball's best extra-inning team, beat New York and extended its winning streak to six games.

The Orioles won in the 10th for the second straight day and are 13-4 in extra innings.

Sandberg sinks slumping Mets

Associated Press

There is one pitch Frank Viola wishes he hadn't thrown in Monday's game against the Chicago Cubs — the one Ryne Sandberg hit into the left-field bleachers in the sixth inning.

Sandberg's league-leading 38th home run sparked a three-run rally as the Cubs beat New York 4-3 and dropped the second-place Mets three games behind Pittsburgh in the National League East.

New York, 34-41 on the road, lowered Pittsburgh's magic number to seven. Any combination of Mets' losses and Pirates' victories totaling seven will give Pittsburgh its first division title since 1979.

"It doesn't look good," Viola said, "but we still have time."

Viola (19-11) was trying to join Doug Drabek of the Pirates, the league's only 20-game winner. Viola was leading 3-1 when Sandberg homered for the third time in five games.

"Sandberg's home run is the one pitch I wish I could take back," Viola said of the changeup, which wound up in the left-field seats.

Mark Grace, Andre Dawson and Luis Salazar followed with consecutive singles to tie the game. After Shawn Dunston grounded into a double play, Doug Descenzo singled home Dawson with the go-ahead run.

"They were able to put together a bunch of hits," Viola said. "But it's only one game."

Paul Assenmacher (7-2) finished with 3 1/3 scoreless innings, allowing five hits. He got into trouble in with two outs in the ninth when Dave Magadan reached on a wild pitch after striking out and Gregg Jefferies singled. But Darryl Strawberry flied to left for the final out.

The Mets, who start a three-game series at Montreal on Tuesday, stranded seven runners in the final four innings, 10 in all.

Giants 3, Padres 1

Kelly Downs gave up one run in six innings and Will Clark hit his 19th homer as San Francisco handed San Diego its sixth straight loss.

The Giants won their sixth straight home game and stayed mathematically alive in the National League West race, but one more loss or Cincinnati win will eliminate them.

Trailing 1-0 in the fourth, Clark homered leading off against starter Derek Lilliquist (4-11). Lilliquist has lost five straight decisions to the Giants.

Mike Benjamin singled with one out in the fifth, was sacrificed to second by Downs, went to third on

NL Roundup

Brett Butler's infield hit and scored on Robby Thompson's double. Butler scored on a wild pitch to make it 3-1.

The Padres scored in the fourth when Joe Carter drew a two-out walk, went to second on Fred Lynn's single and scored on Benito Santiago's bloop single.

Downs (2-2) gave up four hits and is 7-1 with a 2.02 ERA lifetime against San Diego. Francisco Oliveras pitched two innings and Steve Bedrosian worked the ninth for his 14th save, completing the combined five-hitter.

Phillies 3, Expos 0

Pat Combs pitched a four-hitter and singled home a run as Philadelphia beat Montreal to sweep the four-game series.

The Expos entered the series off consecutive three-game sweeps of Pittsburgh and New York. But they self-destructed against the Phillies and dropped seven games behind the first-place Pirates in the National League East with nine games left for both teams.

It was the Phillies' first four-game sweep since June 29-July 1, 1987, against Pittsburgh.

Combs (10-9) struck out four and walked none for his third complete game and second shutout of the season.

The Phillies, who had 10 hits, all singles, scored all their runs with two outs.

Philadelphia took a 1-0 lead in the second on Tom Nieto's RBI single off rookie left-hander Brian Barnes (0-1).

In the fifth, Dale Murphy singled in Randy Ready and in the sixth Wes Chamberlain singled, stole second and third, and scored on Combs' single.

Montreal, which scored seven runs in the four games, had only two runners reach second base against Combs.

Dodgers 7, Astros 5

Los Angeles picked up a half-game on first place Cincinnati as Mike Sharperson's run-scoring triple beat Houston in 11 innings.

The Dodgers, hanging on to slim hopes, moved within 4 1/2 games of the idle Reds in the National League West. Los Angeles has eight games left, five on the road, while Cincinnati's remaining nine games are at home.

Any combination of five Dodger losses or Cincinnati victories will give the title to the Reds.

Jim Gott (3-4) pitched 2 1/2 innings of scoreless relief for the victory.

U.S. rallies past Austria

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Michael Chang overcame leg cramps and a hostile crowd Monday as he completed a two-day comeback that lifted the United States to a Davis Cup semifinal victory over Austria.

Chang, trailing two sets to one when play began on a cold and rainy day, broke Horst Skoff's serve seven of 10 times in the final two sets to win the series 3-2 for the Americans.

His 3-6, 6-7 (4-7), 6-4, 6-4, 6-3 victory propelled the United States into its first Davis Cup final since 1984. It will face Australia on Nov. 30-Dec. 2 at the Suncoast Dome in St. Petersburg, Fla.

The 18-year-old Chang, known for his perseverance, gained a psychological advantage over the erratic Skoff as the match progressed. But he also knew the bitter weather — and the intensity generated by 17,000 fans that cheered wildly for Skoff and whistled in derision at Chang — was making his leg cramps worse in the final games.

"Even when I was up 5-3 I felt the cramps," Chang said. "If I had lost that game I don't know what would have happened. It would have been difficult to continue."

The victory was reminiscent of Chang's upset of top-seeded Ivan Lendl in the 1989 French Open, in which he overcame a two-set deficit and leg cramps to win.

Chang became the first American in 53 years to win the fifth match of a Davis Cup series after being down by two sets. Don Budge last accomplished the feat in 1937 against Gottfried von Cramm of Germany.

While Chang now has won seven consecutive five-set matches, Skoff has lost three of his four

career five-setters. He self-destructed Monday with weak serves and wild returns.

"Michael beat me in the most important match of my tennis life. The loss was extremely bitter," Skoff said. "It is not as if I have just lost for myself. It is tough to lose for the team."

Skoff was virtually unstoppable while winning the first two sets Sunday but never found his rhythm on Monday.

"I didn't hold serve at the decisive moments. I missed some easy shots," said Skoff.

Austrian captain Filip Krajkic said the intensity of the situation may have gotten to his player.

"I think Horst felt the pressure more than yesterday," Krajkic said. "He said the balls were heavier and the court slower, but I think he may be felt that because he was a little bit more nervous."

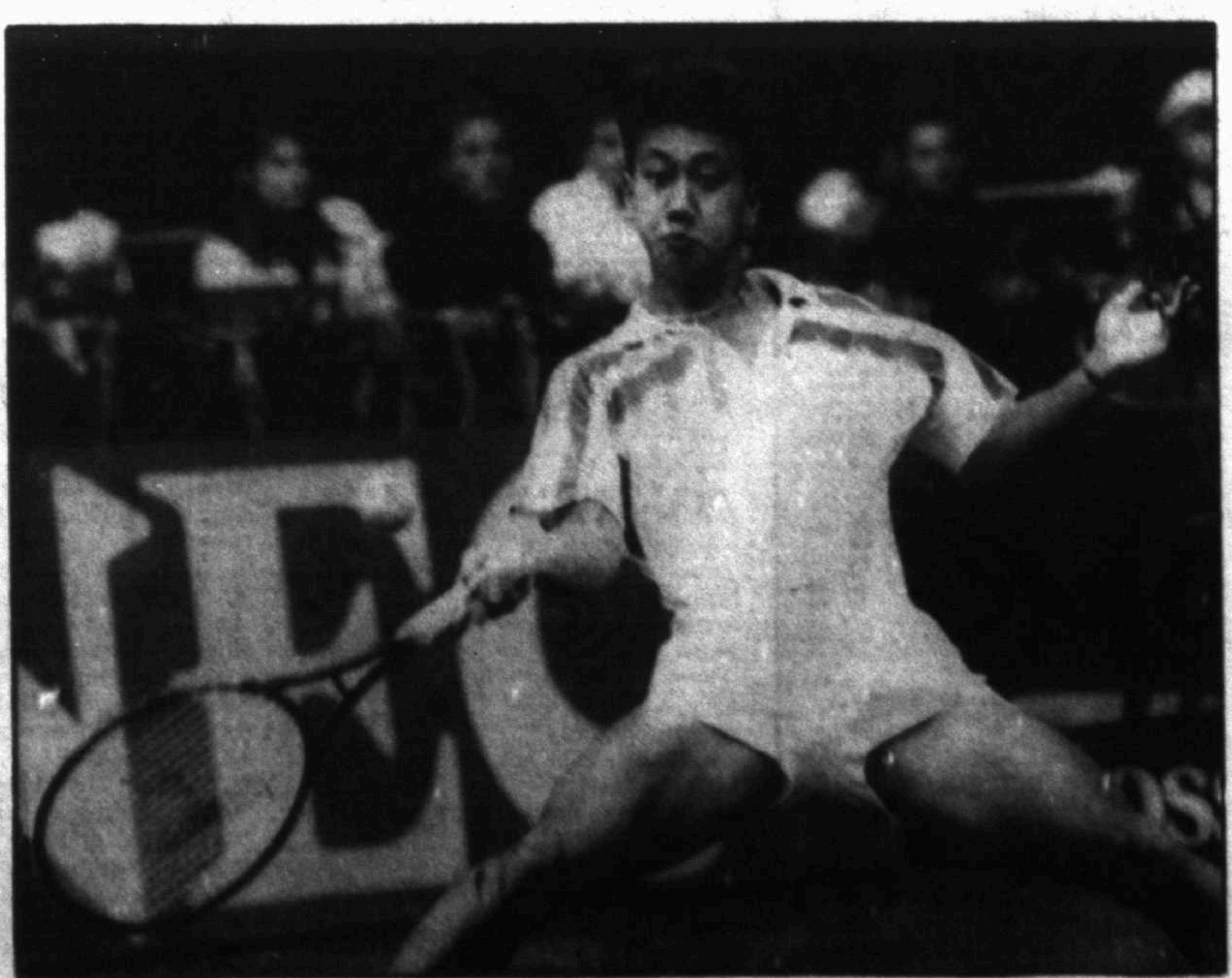
The United States will be facing Australia in the final for the first time since 1973, when the Americans lost 5-0 in Cleveland.

The U.S. squad, which last won the title in 1982 when it defeated France, has a record 28 Davis Cup championships. Australia is second with 26.

Skoff and Chang each had lost earlier singles matches in the semifinal. Thomas Muster defeated Chang and Andre Agassi beat Skoff on Friday, leaving the series tied at 1-1.

Jim Pugh and Rick Leach won the doubles Saturday to give the United States a 2-1 lead before Muster defeated Agassi in straight sets on Sunday to deadlock the series at 2-2.

Skoff volleyed well and outlasted Chang on several long baseline rallies to claim the first four games of the match Sunday.



Michael Chang gave the U.S. a dramatic comeback in the fifth and deciding match with Austria's Horst Skoff Monday. Chang won 3-6, 6-7 (4-7), 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

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East Division

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Detroit
Cleveland
Baltimore
Milwaukee
New York
West Division

Oakland
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East Division

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2 denotes first place

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Monday's

Baltimore 8, Milwaukee 6

Kansas City 10, Toronto 8

Texas 3, Oakland 2

Only games scheduled

Tuesday's

Baltimore (Telus) 2, New York (Giant) 0-1

Cleveland (Guardian) 13-8

Seattle (Sun) 9-4

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Toronto (Black) 1-0

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NFL

National Football League

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Baseball Standings

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Big oil questioned on high oil prices

Major oil companies across the country have been asked to hand law enforcement officials documents on their gas pricing methods.

By Kyle Pope
Hearst News Service

HOUSTON — A nationwide army of law enforcement officials has ordered Houston's largest energy companies to supply documents and witnesses to explain price hikes.

The massive investigation, which involves more than 20 state attorneys gen-

eral and the U.S. departments of Justice and Energy, is focusing on the sharp rise in gasoline costs that followed Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Houston Chronicle has learned that investigators in the past month have mailed civil subpoenas to more than 75 U.S. energy companies, including Coastal Corp., Conoco, Exxon Company U.S.A., Shell Oil Co., Marathon Oil Co., Chevron Corp. and Texaco.

The companies have been ordered to supply detailed documents that show how much they pay for gas and how much they charge their customers.

Investigators say they will use the information to determine whether oil companies gouged the public in the days following the Iraqi invasion. Pump prices

jumped within hours of the military move and remain 10 cents to 20 cents per gallon higher than before the invasion.

The officials also are examining the possibility of criminal and civil antitrust violations and are looking into allegations that oil companies conspired to keep prices high.

At the Justice Department, officials said they will decide this week whether to convene a special grand jury or issue subpoenas to cap its monthlong inquiry into the gasoline price issue.

"We want to get all the information in hand. Then we'll decide where to go," said Joe Krovsky, a spokesman for the Justice Department's antitrust division.

The companies that are the target of the inquiries said last week they have

done nothing wrong and are cooperating with investigators.

So far, the most extensive state investigations into the issue have come from the Northeast, where high heating oil costs during last winter's cold snap focused the region's attention on the oil industry.

Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine, Vermont, Maryland, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and New Jersey all have launched gasoline price investigations since the Iraqi invasion.

"We're just trying to sort out what's happening and who is saying what to whom," said Bob Gentzel, spokesman for Pennsylvania Attorney General Ernie Preate, who has subpoenaed 46 oil com-

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U.S. set to cut trade barriers with Mexico

The U.S. is beginning to chip away at barriers to trade with Mexico.

By Dudley Althaus
Hearst News Service

MEXICO CITY — If things go as scheduled, the United States and Mexico soon will move a small step closer to tearing down their 2,000-mile border.

President Bush is expected to formally ask Congress this week for permission to negotiate a free-trade agreement with Mexico, which could prove to be a giant leap toward full integration of the two countries' economies. Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari already has appointed a negotiating team for the expected trade talks.

Both Bush and Salinas have made a free-trade agreement a prime goal. Both men see the agreement as essential if their countries are to compete with the European Community's free-trade market, which will begin in 1992.

Backers of a free-trade agreement argue it would create a level playing field, allowing largely unrestricted investment

and trade between the countries. Each country would be able to specialize in those economic activities at which it is best.

But U.S. critics say economic integration with Mexico could hurt low-wage U.S. workers, who will have to compete with Mexican laborers paid as little as \$3.50 per day. And they say it could batter industries such as textiles, autos and agriculture that will face increased Mexican competition.

In Mexico, where a deep distrust of the United States often seems a requirement of citizenship, critics fear that a free-trade agreement will spark a wholesale U.S. buyout of Mexican natural resources and say that increased competition could cause the collapse of less-efficient Mexican industries.

Texas, which accounts for more than half of the border, will be among the states most affected by a free-trade agreement, analysts say. Whether the overall effects on the state are positive depends upon the specific provisions of the treaty.

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Real estate woes said threatening S&L industry

By Dave Skidmore

WASHINGTON (AP) — Losses at the nation's privately-run savings and loans stabilized in the April-June quarter, the government said Monday, but analysts warned that deteriorating real estate markets threaten the industry.

The Treasury Department's Office of Thrift Supervision said 2,437 S&Ls operating outside of government control lost \$196 million in the second quarter of 1990.

That was a modest improvement over the \$219 million loss in the first three months of the year, a dramatic gain over the \$720 million loss in the last three months of 1989 but a substantial deterioration from the \$308 million profit earned by the same institutions a year earlier.

Thrift office director Timothy Ryan, noting that real estate markets and economic growth generally continue to soften, said, "It's very difficult to predict that the trend of reduced losses in the industry will continue or that the industry as a whole will become profitable this year."

The results did not include losses at the 247 failed but still operating institutions under the control of the Resolution Trust Corp. They are to be reported separately later this week.

They also did not include 15 institutions that had been rescued close to the end of the quarter by the trust corporation, which was created last year to manage the administration's bailout.

Also, the losses are being held down by government subsidy payments to 61 thrifts bailed out in 1988 by the now-defunct Federal Home Loan Bank Board. Excluding results from those institutions, private-sector S&Ls lost \$315 million in the April-June period.

While avoiding forecasting future industry performance, Ryan said the recent decline in losses shows that the administration program of seizing failed institutions is helping solvent thrifts by reining in competitors.

"The one thing we have seen is ... moving these institutions into the RTC tends to provide opportunities for the rest of the industry," he said.

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JANIE BRYANT QUINN

Making money from rentals not guaranteed

By Jane Bryant Quinn

NEW YORK—Anyone under 40 was raised with the "knowledge" that property values always go up. Half a decade of localized housing depressions in the farm belt, the rust belt and the oil patch have not dislodged that fixed idea. Not, at least, from the minds of those whom the depressions haven't touched.

Just a few months ago, a major consumer magazine pictured two grinning investors, standing in front of their rental duplex. The caption read, "No one ever loses money in real estate." Last month, in another magazine, I read about a couple who had just bought a rental house as an investment for their children's college education. The monthly rent didn't cover their expenses. But they expect

to sell in eight years at a large enough profit to pay the tuition.

Beam me up, Scotty, I'm on the wrong planet.

Small rental properties may break their owners' hearts in the slow-growth markets of the 1990s. That's because so many buyers still overpay for real estate, even in post-depression markets like those of Houston and Dallas.

A prudent landlord charges enough rent to cover all of his or her out-of-pocket costs, plus at least 5 to 10 percent. You need that cushion to build a reserve for unexpected repairs, or to carry the mortgage during any month when the property isn't rented.

But many small landlords rent their properties at a loss. They cover their costs with other income and gamble that they'll earn it all back when the property is sold. An investor who insists that rents cover his costs will usually be outbid by a speculator who will pay the costs out of his own pocket.

The income-tax laws still make it appealing to bid high. As long as you have

some management role in the property, you can use up to \$25,000 of your real-estate investment losses to tax shelter your other income, provided that your adjusted gross income is \$100,000 or less. Partial deductions apply up to income levels of \$150,000.

But it may no longer pay to take losses each year, on a bet that you'll sell at a jackpot price. Even if the value of your property rises, it may not rise enough to recover all your costs and pay a return commensurate with the risk.

Condominiums, in particular, are often poor investments, says author and real-estate professional Andrew McLean. Builders are constantly putting up new units—typically more than the traffic will bear. That undercuts the value of older units.

How do you make money in real estate today? By seeking out niche investments where you see value that others don't, says John Reed, publisher of the Real Estate Investor's Monthly in Danville, Calif. Among the niches that

you might exploit:

(1) Buy one-bedroom homes. They sell cheap but rent dear, because tenants love them. So you can charge enough rent to cover expenses. If you can turn an enclosed space into a second bedroom for \$2,000 or less, you'll really have a winner.

(2) Buy a house or duplex that is going to be torn down. Try to pay only \$1,000 or less. Hire a professional to move it to another lot. With the best of these deals, you can sell for twice the money you put into the property.

(3) Buy a house whose problem traumatizes the seller—like asbestos or a bad foundation. The problem may not cost as much to fix as the seller believes. If you buy at a low enough cost, you can make the repairs and still guarantee yourself a good profit.

(4) Find a person who's renting a house with an option to buy at a low price, but can't afford to follow through. Buy the option, take the house

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Robert L. Crandall, president and chairman of American Airlines, shown in happier times, has caused debate about whether his warning about halting American's expansion plans was to his pilots or the industry.

High fuel prices may halt American's growth

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — Bob Crandall's comments that he might ground American Airlines' \$21 billion growth plan has analysts debating whether his words were a warning to the industry or his pilots.

Canceling some or all of the carrier's spending program would bring American's vaunted 7-year-old growth plan to a stop well short of its objective.

But some say Crandall, chairman of American, may be trying to capitalize on the current slump in the airline business to whip his 8,700 pilots into accepting American's contract offer. That could give the carrier a cost advantage over competitors such as United, Delta and Northwest airlines.

Julius Maldutis, airline analyst at the Salomon Brothers investment firm in New York who worked with Crandall in the 1960s at Trans World Airlines, said: "It would be a serious mistake to consider Mr. Crandall's threat to sharply reduce the growth plan as a negotiating ploy with his unions."

Maldutis said Crandall hasn't concocted a counterfeit crisis to herd his pilots into an agreement favorable to the airline.

"I strongly believe that American is undertaking a very serious reassessment of its five-year, \$21 billion capital spending plan," Maldutis said. "It's very clear that in 1990-91 there will be no earnings to support that (spending) plan. And without earnings to support it, the only way American can do it is by borrowing more money. And without earnings it would cost them more to borrow that kind of money."

But a Wall Street analyst speaking on condition of anonymity told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that Crandall's talk was likely a negotiating ploy.

"He's made these kinds of threats in the past, back in the early '80s ... and then again in '86 and '87, when they were negotiating the next round of labor contracts," the analyst said.

TUESDAY

BUSINESS WATCH

SPOT MARKET
W.T. INTERMEDIATE
■ Monday Close \$38.25
■ Previous Close \$35.43
■ One Year Ago \$19.30

POSTED PRICE
■ This Week \$37.00
■ Previous Week \$34.25
■ One Year Ago \$18.75

Dollar off

NEW YORK (AP) — The dollar sank against all major currencies Monday except the Japanese yen in selling sparked by speculation that industrialized countries might not try to stop the dollar from sinking further.

News that the government's pool of red ink swelled to a record level in August also weighed down the dollar.

Prices of gold jumped as another surge in oil futures intensified inflation fears. Gold traditionally has been considered a hedge against inflation.

The dollar fell to a closing 135.57 yen in London from 137.33 yen at Friday's Tokyo close.

Dollar rates in New York: 1.5595 German marks, 1.2980 Swiss francs, 5.2210 French francs, 1.14975 Canadian dollars and 1.167.75 Italian lire.

Overseas, precious metals prices posted minor to moderate gains.

Gold rose in London to a late bid of \$396.56 a troy ounce from \$388.25 late Friday. In Zurich, the metal rose to a closing bid of \$392.90 from \$392.20 late Friday.

Silver bullion rose in London to a late bid of \$4.89 a troy ounce from \$4.81 late Friday.

Market drops

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market fell sharply to a 14-month low Monday, battered by the one-two punch of rising oil prices and trouble in the banking industry.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks tumbled 59.41 to 2,452.97, its lowest close since it stood at 2,452.77 on July 3, 1989.

Declining issues overwhelmed advances by about 6 to 1 in nationwide trading of New York Stock Exchange-listed stocks, with 233 up, 1,432 down and 326 unchanged.

T-bills mixed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Changes in interest rates on short-term Treasury securities were mixed in Monday's auction.

The Treasury Department sold \$9.2 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 7.32 percent, down from 7.39 percent last week. Another \$9.2 billion was sold in six-month bills at an average discount rate of 7.33 percent, up from 7.30 percent last week.

The rate for three-month bills was the lowest since they were sold for 7.23 percent on Aug. 6. The rate for six-month bills was the highest since they averaged 7.34 percent on Sept. 10.

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COMPLETIONS

TRC DISTRICT 8

ECTOR COUNTY

Harper (Glorieta)
Sage Energy Co. No. 83; 660 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 12, blk 44, T&P, T-2-S, 3 W Odessa; Elev 3035 GR, TD 5579, PB 5555; Completed 9/10/90; Potentiated 9/15/90 pumping 162 bopd, 55 MCF, 201 bwpd, 27 API, 362.1 GOR; Casing 4.5 at 5579; Perforations: 5370-5527; Acid: 4500 gals 15 percent NEFE, Frac: 27,500 gals gel, 50,000 lbs. 20/40 sand, 10,000 lbs. 12/20 sand; Formation tops: San Andrea 4018, Glorieta 5272; Top of pay 5272.

LOVING COUNTY

Zuni (Bell Canyon)
Concorde Exploration, Inc. No. 2 Johnson "34"; 1143 fwi, 1150 fwi, sec 34, blk 56, T-1, T&P, 8 NE Oria; Elev 2854 GR, TD 3373, PB 3373; Completed 7/23/90; Potentiated 8/10/90 flowing 52 bopd, 60 MCF, 8 bwpd, 43 API, 1154.1 GOR; 13/64 inch choke; Casing 5.5 at 3357; Perforations: 3357-3373; Acid: 1000 gals 15 percent; Formation tops: Base of Castile 3339, Top of Ramsey 3363, Top of Ford 3398, Top of Old Sand 3506; Top of pay 3363.

MARTIN COUNTY

Spraberry (Trend Area)
Parker & Parsley, Ltd. No. 1 Dove "T"; 660 fwi, 660 fwi, lab 4, lge 325, LaSalle CSL, 10 W Tarzan; Elev 2872 GL, TD 9760, PB 9702; Completed 8/28/90; Potentiated 9/17/90 pumping 87 bopd, 42 MCF, 170 bwpd, 40 API, 627.1 GOR; Casing 4.5 at 9760; Perforations: 8060-9884; Acid: 5000 gals 15 percent HCL, 342,280 lbs. 20/40 sand; Formation tops: Top Upper Spraberry 8034, Top Lower Spraberry 8652, Top Dean 9356; Top of pay 8060.
RK Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Condor; 467 fwi, 2173 fwi, sec 4, blk 34, T&P, T-2-N, 11 NE Lenora; Elev 2827, TD 10,700, PB 8000; Completed 8/27/90; Potentiated 9/4/90 pumping 40 bopd, 50 bwpd, 38 API; Casing 5.5 at 10,680; Perforations: 7616-7730; Acid: 1500 gals, Frac: 47,500 gals gel, 90,000 lbs. 20/40 sand; Formation tops: Spraberry 6778; Top of pay 7616.

MIDLAND COUNTY

Spraberry (Trend Area)
Parker & Parsley, Ltd. No. 1 Crawford "J"; 800 fwi, 660 fwi, sec 4, blk 38, T-3-S, T&P, 9 S Midland; Elev 2722 GL, TD 9325, PB 9285; Completed 8/20/90; Potentiated 9/14/90 pumping 48 bopd, 46 MCF, 140 bwpd, 39.8 API, 958.1 GOR; Casing 4.5 at 9325; Perforations: 7540-9259; Acid: 5000 gals 15 percent HCL, 452,570 lbs. 20/40 sand; Formation tops: Top of pay 7536, Top Lower Spraberry 8337, Top Dean 9626; Top of pay 7540.

STERLING COUNTY

Sugg Ranch (Canyon)
Warner and Brown, Inc. 915 Council; 7693 fwi, 3343 fwi, sec 15, blk 7, H&TC, 14 SW Sterling City; Elev 2576 KB, TD 8000, PB 7634; Completed 8/27/90; Potentiated 9/5/90 CAOF 2950 cfp; Casing 4.5 at 8000; Perforations: 7388-7521; Acid: 50/50 foam, Frac: 56,000 lbs. 20/40 Ottawa sand; Formation tops: Yates 1090, 7 Rivers 1198, Queen 1548, Cisco 7203, Canyon 7267; Top of pay 7383.

TRC DISTRICT 8A

BORDEN COUNTY

Jo-Mill (Spraberry)
Texaco Inc. (Midland) No. 5344 Jo Mill Unit; 660 fwi, 660 fwi, sec 27, blk 33, T-4-N, T&P, 15 SW Gail; TD 7440, Pumping 189 bopd, 97 bwpd, 39 API; Casing 5.5 at 7440; Perforations: 7272-7324.

Texaco Inc. (Midland) No. 5332 Jo Mill Unit; 1980 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 27, blk 33, T-4-N, T&P, 15 SW Gail; TD 7450, Pumping 189 bopd, 75 bwpd, 39 API, 487.1 GOR; Casing 5.5 at 7480; Perforations: 7340-7397.

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

TRC DISTRICT 8

ANDREWS COUNTY

Fullerton
Exxon Corp. No. 4726 Fullerton Clearfork Unit; 660 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 41, blk 13, ULS, 13 W Andrews; TD 7500.

Parker (Wolfcamp)
Union Oil Co. of California No. 20 J.E. Parker "H"; 1821 fwi, 924 fwi, sec 20, blk A-43, PSL, 9 SW Andrews; TD 9450.

Union Oil Company of California No. 24 J.E. Parker "H"; 660 fwi, 660 fwi, sec 20, blk A-43, PSL, 9 SW Andrews; TD 9350.

Sand Hills (McKnight)
Alpa Oil Co. No. 15 M.B. McKnight; 995 fwi, 2299 fwi, sec 8, blk B-21, PSL, 21 NW Crane; TD 3600.

Alpa Oil Co. No. 12 M.B. McKnight "A"; 659 fwi, 330 fwi, sec 9, B-21, PSL, 21 NW Crane; TD 3600.

Block 31 (Devonian)
ARCO Oil and Gas Co. No. J-7 Block 31 Unit; 2634 fwi, 1380 fwi, sec 40, blk 31, ULS, 7.2 NW Crane; TD 9200.

ECTOR COUNTY
Cowden, North (Deep) 5400 Cowden, North 4400

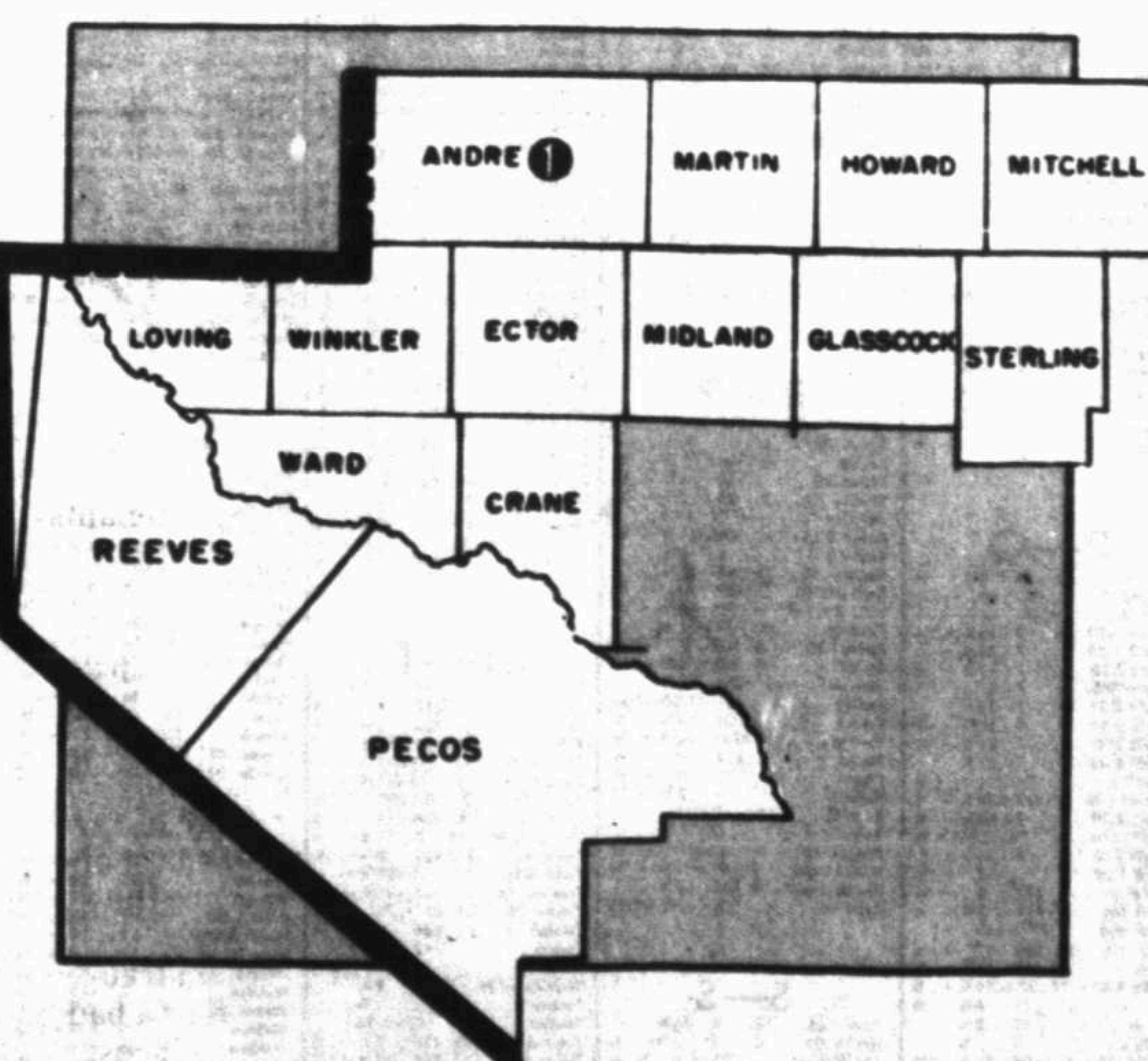
1980 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 2, blk A, PSL, 3.7 NE Goldsmith; TD 5500.

Johnson
OXY USA Inc. No. 2007 Johnson GBSA Unit; 2360 fwi, 2335 fwi, sec 39, blk 43, T-1-S, T&P, 10 NW Odessa; TD 4550.

LOVING COUNTY
El Mar (Delaware)
Union Royalty, Inc. No. 26622 El Mar/Delaware Unit; 1980 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 28, blk 54, T&P, 15 N Mentone; TD 4600.

MARTIN COUNTY
Spraberry (Trend Area)
RK Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Condor 1787 fwi,

WILDCATS



TRC DISTRICT 8

■ 1. ANDREWS DRAWS WILDCAT LOCATION. Exxon Corp. has applied to drill a 12,637 ft. wildcat 13 miles east of Andrews in Andrews County.

The No. 26 State University Hutex Cons. is located 2155 ft. from the north and 660 ft. from the west lines of section 15, block 8, ULS.

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MATH 101

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BY NORMAN JOHNSON

COCHRAN COUNTY

Wildcat
Marshall R. Young Oil Co. (Midland) No. 1 C.D. Moore; 1000 fwi, 800 fwi, lab 24, lge 103, Jeff Davis CSL, 1/4 E Morton; Elev 3748, TD 9750, PB 9699; Completed 8/16/90; Potentiated 8/20/90; Flowing 153 bopd, 3 bwpd, 37 API, 578.1 GOR; 12/64 inch choke, 245 FT; Casing 5.5 at 9750; Perforations: 9436-9446; Acid: 250 gals; Formation tops: Penn 8175, Fusselman 9296, Ellenburger 9620; Top of pay 9296.

GAINES COUNTY

Wasson 72
Shell Western E&P Inc. (Houston) No. 7628-S Wasson South Clearfork Unit; 2200 fwi, 2050 fwi, sec 46, blk AX, PSL, 2 S Denver City; TD 7970, Pumping 68 bopd, 12 bwpd, 33.9 API, 15.1 GOR; Casing 5.5 at 7865; Perforations: 6554-7823.

GARZA COUNTY

Tufbow (Miss)
IP Petroleum Co. Inc. (Midland) No. 1 Kline; 1980 fwi, 1320 fwi, sec 10, blk 6, H&GN, 2 E Justicburg; TD 7923, Pumping 262 bopd, 21 bwpd, 8567.1 GOR; Casing 5.5 at 7916; Perforations: 7810-7848.

KENT COUNTY

Salt Creek
Mobil Producing TX & NM (Midland) No. 330-

A Salt Creek Field Unit; 2080 fwi, 1396 fwi, sec 3, D.R. Stout; 9 NW Clairmont; TD 6700; Pumping 393 bopd, 705 bwpd, 38.7 API, 488.1 GOR; Casing 7 at 6700; Perforations: 6459-6533.

KING COUNTY

Anne Tandy (Strawn)
Pacific Enterprises Oil Co. (Wichita Falls) No. 81-Y S.B. Burnett Estate; 1790 fwi, 938 fwi, sec 1, blk X, R.M. Thompson, 17 SE Guthrie; TD 5555; Pumping 220 bopd, 0 bwpd, 35 API, 150.1 GOR; Casing 7 at 5555; Perforations: 5364-5384.

SURREY COUNTY

Kelly-Snyder
Chevron USA Inc. (Snyder) No. 303-17 SA-CROC Unit; 1178 fwi, 1164 fwi, sec 203, blk 97, H&TC, 8 W Snyder; TD 7098; Pumping 279 bopd, 1704 bwpd, 42 API, 2808.1 GOR; Casing 7 at 7098; Perforations: 6993-6777.

Chevron USA Inc. (Snyder) No. 255-05 SA-CROC Unit; 226 fwi, 1106 fwi, sec 212, blk 97, H&TC, 8 W Snyder; TD 7090; Pumping 81 bopd, 410 bwpd, 42 API, 1296.1 GOR; Casing 7 at 7087; Perforations: 6746-7020.

YOAKUM COUNTY

Wasson
Amoco Production Co. (Houston) No. 636 Wasson ODC Unit; 75 fwi, 875 fwi, sec 759, blk

D, J.H. Gibson; TD 5177; Pumping 198 bopd, 379 bwpd, 657.1 GOR; Casing 33.4 API, Casing 5.5 at 4865; Perforations: 4865-5177.

Amoco Production Co. (Houston) No. 680 Wasson ODC Unit; 365 fwi, 1370 fwi, sec 804, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 5 NE Denver City; TD 5183; Pumping 39 bopd, 1309 bwpd, 33.4 API, 590.1 GOR; Casing 5.5 at 4863; Perforations: 4863-5183.

Amoco Production Co. (Houston) No. 681 Wasson ODC Unit; 340 fwi, 440 fwi, sec 761, blk D, J.H. Gibson; TD 5247; Pumping 118 bopd, 303 bwpd, 33.4 API, 297.1 GOR; Casing 5.5 at 4912; Perforations: 4912-5247.

Amoco Production Co. (Houston) No. 634 Wasson ODC Unit; 1761 fwi, 90 fwi, sec 741, blk D, J.H. Gibson; TD 5233; Pumping 102 bopd, 488 bwpd, 33.4 API, 951.1 GOR; Casing 5.5 at 4913; Perforations: 4913-5233.

TRC DISTRICT 7C

IRON COUNTY

Brooks multipay
Joker Drilling Co. Inc. (San Angelo) No. 2 Brooks "13"; 467 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 13, blk 4, H&TC survey, Abst. 298, 5 SE Mertzon; TD 6250, PB 6197; Pumping 30 bopd, 5 bwpd, 38 API, 6686.1 GOR; Casing 4.5 at 6250, 24/64 inch choke; Perforations: 6067-6084; Acid: 1000 gals, Frac: 38,395 gals gel, 54,000 lbs. sand.

GARZA COUNTY

Garza
RJD Management Co., Inc. (Lubbock) No. 807 North Robertson Garza Unit; 638 fwi, 1409 fwi, sec 1237, l&GN, 4 NW Post; TD 3450.

RJD Management Co., Inc. (Lubbock) No. 5 M.K. Bingham; 2327 fwi, 788 fwi, sec 1237, l&GN, 4 NW Post; TD 3450.

HOCKLEY COUNTY

Slaughter
Texaco Inc. (Midland) No. 14 G.B. Lucas; 2564 fwi, 2010 fwi, sec 7, blk X, PSL, 4 S Sundown; TD 5200.

LUBBOCK COUNTY

Edmiston (Clearfork)
Grantland Corp. (Lubbock) No. 1 Ashby; 2310 fwi, 2310 fwi, sec 8, blk A, TTRR, 3 N Lubbock; TD 1120.

YOAKUM COUNTY

Braham
McClure Oil Co. Inc. (Midland) No. 3-V-A Webb; 660 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 394, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 5 W Plains; TD 5300.

Owby
Shell Western E&P Inc. (Houston) No. 85 Owby San Andrea Unit; 160 fwi, 1025 fwi, sec 487, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 9 SE Plains; TD 6000.

Shell Western E&P Inc. (Houston) No. 82 Owby San Andrea Unit; 1600 fwi, 750 fwi, sec 502, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 9 SE Plains; TD 6000.

Shell Western E&P Inc. (Houston) No. 80 Owby San Andrea Unit; 750 fwi, 450 fwi, sec 490, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 9 SE Plains; TD 6000.

Shell Western E&P Inc. (Houston) No. 81 Owby San Andrea Unit; 1300 fwi, 750 fwi, sec 502, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 9 SE Plains; TD 6000.

TRC DISTRICT 7C

CROCKETT COUNTY

Vaughn
BASF Corp. (Ozona) No. 1 J.M. Shannon Estate "B"; 2289 fwi, 331 fwi, sec 4, UV, G&SF survey, 14 NW Ozona; TD 1650.

Hondo announces discovery

ROSWELL, N.M. (SWN) — Robert O. Anderson, chairman and chief executive officer of Hondo Oil & Gas Co. announced an indicated Ellenberger discovery in Irion County, Texas.

The Pipeline "57" well is located

in the company's Scottish Rite block.

The company submitted an initial potential test report to the Texas Railroad Commission indicating that the well flowed 503 barrels of 43-degree gravity oil.

INVESTORS' GUIDE

Bank funds insured if bank goes belly up

By Bill Doyle

Q. With so many savings and loan associations and banks in financial trouble, we are considering transferring a substantial portion of our individual retirement accounts to a large insurance company. The IRAs account for the bulk of our savings.

Both my husband and I feel the insurance company might be more secure and reliable than many S&Ls and banks. What are your comments?

A. There is no doubt that many insurance companies are more reliable, as far as management goes, than many S&Ls and banks. But it doesn't necessarily follow that money you place with an insurance company — in IRAs or any other form — will be more secure.

Even though many S&Ls and some banks have gone belly up and others undoubtedly will fail in the future, insured deposits at both types of institutions remain safe.

As long as each of you has no more than \$100,000 in IRA money at any one S&L or bank you have absolutely no reason to worry. If either of you has more than that in your IRA, you can spread it around among two or more S&Ls and/or banks.

Federal deposit insurance, which is backed by the full faith and credit of our national government, is still \$100,000 per depositor per institution. Because it is in trust form, an IRA is insured separately. You can have \$100,000 in an IRA and \$100,000 in other accounts in your name at the same bank or S&L, all covered by federal deposit insurance.

Q. I am an 82-year-old widow and have 90 percent of my money in two-year U.S. Treasury notes. In your column and elsewhere I read that Treasury securities are the safest investments.

However, it is hard to have faith in these securities. The country is wallowing in debt. The Iraq situation isn't solved. And it seems nobody in Washington, D.C., has logical answers to the problems facing the U.S.A.

I was thinking of cashing in the Treasury notes as they come due and putting the money in a bank safe deposit box. I have nobody else to ask for advice. Can you help me, please?

A. Please don't do that foolish thing you are thinking about — for the following reasons.

1. You would lose the interest your Treasury notes pay.
2. Many safe deposit box contracts prohibit keeping currency there.
3. Most important, U.S. Treasury securities remain the safest investments in this wide world.

It's easy to get upset by the national debt, the Persian Gulf trouble and the goings-on in Endsive-On-The-Potomac. However, all that and various other problems do not provide a reason for you to get out of U.S. Treasury notes, which are well suited for you.

Q. All my life, I have paid for all my purchases in full by check, thus eliminating having to pay interest. Recently, I tried to get a credit card but was refused because I do not have a credit record.

I have never written a bad check, nor have I even done anything criminal. Just because I saved money by not paying interest, I am being punished by being refused a credit card.

Do you have any suggestions?

A. You could continue paying in full for all purchases, so you won't need a credit card. However, if you really want a credit card, you can establish a credit history reasonably fast.

If you have a savings account, take out a passbook loan. That will be easy to get, because the bank will retain the money in your account. Pay off the loan fast. Ask at your bank what other types of loans you can obtain. Get one or more and repay fast.

Inquire at local stores about obtaining charge cards good at those stores. Such cards usually are easy to acquire. Use your telephone, electric and/or gas companies as credit references.

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AAL Mutual	
CoGr p	10.09 10.5
Inco p	9.35 9.8
MuBd p	9.72 10.2
AARP Invest	
CoGr	23.30 N
GlntM	14.85 N
OrthInc	22.56 N
MO Bld	14.49 N

TxFld	16.08	N
TxFSh	15.10	N
ABT Funds:		
Emerg p	7.77	8.14
Other p	8.13	8.54
Secur p	9.20	9.64
Unlnt p	11.38	11.94
AMA Bal	9.65	N
AdmCo p	15.69	N

.31		
ADTEK	8.44	8.44
AFA NAV	8.90	
.33		
AFA Tele	12.91	
.34		
AIM Funds:		
Chart p	6.50	6.86
Const p	6.95	7.35

CvY12 p	9.18	9.64
HY1d p	5.88	6.17
LimA p	9.78	9.93
Sumit	7.16	
Weing p	11.08	11.72
A M A Family		
CleGr p	7.87	NI
GibGr p	19.66	NI
GibIn p	19.23	NI
Q-PCR	0.00	

AMEV Funds		
AstAI p	10.67	11.17
Capitl p	13.12	13.77
CaAp p	12.97	13.58
Fidcr p	21.33	22.57
Growth p	17.35	18.43
HYld p	6.49	6.80
TF AN	9.46	9.91

TF Nat	9.59	10.00
US Gov	9.43	9.83
Acornf	34.76	34.76
Afuture	9.81	N/A
Advance Ameri		
Eqlinc		
TF In p	9.51	9.90
US Gov p	9.10	9.51
Advest Advan		

Govt p	8.18	8.18
Gwth p	12.10	12.10
HY Bdp	6.87	6.87
Inco p	9.91	9.91
Spcl p	10.42	10.42
AlgrSCp t	13.32	13.32
.35		
AlgrG t	12.55	12.55
Alliance Cap		

Alton p	5.01	3.30
Baton p	10.29	10.89
Canad p	6.19	6.53
Conv p	7.64	8.00
Count p	14.97	15.89
QibSA p		
Govt p	7.95	8.40
Grinc p	2.28	2.40
HYld p	4.92	5.20
Ind p	14.52	15.00

ICaT p	14.32	12.43
ICaT p	11.91	12.43
InsMu	9.26	9.71
Monin p	10.84	11.43
Mortg p	8.43	8.91
MuCA	9.43	9.84
MuNY	8.74	9.14
NHMu	9.39	9.84
QuarA p	16.17	17.14
ST Mtop		

ST A&Bt		
Tech p	16.83	17.8
AlpnCA	9.84	10.2
Altura Funds		
Growth	11.03	N
Inco f	9.92	N
Amer AAdv		
Bolan	9.82	N
Equity	9.62	N

	9.72	N
Amer Capita		
Cmsh	13.72	14.9
Capltd p	6.32	6.6
EmGro p	13.41	14.2
Entpr p	10.00	10.6
Eginc p	3.87	4.1
Esch	74.66	
FdMg p	12.41	13.0
Gd	2.22	2.0

Grinc p	9.83	10.3
Harbr p	12.65	13.4
HiYld p	5.61	5.8
MunB p		
Pace p	10.85	11.5
TEHY p		
TxEI p		
AExpEV	10.59	10.8

A Bdp	9.85	10.4
Amcp p	9.24	9.8
AMult p	18.00	19.1
Bond p	12.56	13.1
CapB p	23.00	24.4
CapW p	14.55	15.2
Expac p	28.12	29.8
Fdlw p	13.78	14.6
Govt p	13.15	13.8

Gwin p	17.28	18.3
Hi Tr p	12.26	12.8
Inco p	11.14	11.8
IntBd p	13.29	13.9
ICA p	13.46	14.2
NEco p	18.03	19.1
N Per p	10.32	10.9
SmCpW p	13.55	
.13		

TECA p	10.72	11.2
TECA p	13.80	14.4
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Amway	6.58	7.0
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Aquila Fund		
AZ TF	9.56	9.9

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FndB p	8.57	N
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Bond	1.50	N
Enterp	10.85	N
Orth	9.32	N
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Bartlett Fun	
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T ₀ 2020	9.09
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MARKET PERFORMANCE

Ups & Downs

NEW YORK (AP) — The following list shows the American Stock Exchange's top and bottom gainers and losers in the most active trading session of the week. Percentages shown are based on the previous day's closing price.

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NEW YORK (AP) — The following list shows the American Stock Exchange's top and bottom gainers and losers in the most active trading session of the week. Percentages shown are based on the previous day's closing price.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday:

CRUDE OIL	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
1,000 bbl.; dollars per bbl.					
Oct	37.25	39.20	36.91	38.25	+2.82
Nov	34.82	36.82	34.82	34.82	+1.50
Dec	33.65	35.65	33.65	33.65	+1.50
Jan	32.55	34.55	32.55	32.55	+1.50
Feb	31.38	33.38	31.38	31.38	+1.50
Mar	30.54	32.54	30.54	30.54	+1.50
Apr	29.72	31.72	29.72	29.72	+1.50
May	28.90	30.90	28.90	28.90	+1.50
Jun	28.08	30.08	28.08	28.08	+1.50
Jul	27.26	29.26	27.26	27.26	+1.50
Aug	26.44	28.44	26.44	26.44	+1.50
Sep	25.62	27.62	25.62	25.62	+1.50
Oct	24.80	26.80	24.80	24.80	+1.50
Nov	23.98	25.98	23.98	23.98	+1.50
Dec	23.16	25.16	23.16	23.16	+1.50
Jan	22.34	24.34	22.34	22.34	+1.50
Feb	21.52	23.52	21.52	21.52	+1.50
Mar	20.70	22.70	20.70	20.70	+1.50
Apr	19.88	21.88	19.88	19.88	+1.50
May	19.06	21.06	19.06	19.06	+1.50
Jun	18.24	20.24	18.24	18.24	+1.50
Jul	17.42	19.42	17.42	17.42	+1.50
Aug	16.60	18.60	16.60	16.60	+1.50
Sep	15.78	17.78	15.78	15.78	+1.50
Oct	14.96	16.96	14.96	14.96	+1.50
Nov	14.14	16.14	14.14	14.14	+1.50
Dec	13.32	15.32	13.32	13.32	+1.50
Jan	12.50	14.50	12.50	12.50	+1.50
Feb	11.68	13.68	11.68	11.68	+1.50
Mar	10.86	12.86	10.86	10.86	+1.50
Apr	10.04	12.04	10.04	10.04	+1.50
May	9.22	11.22	9.22	9.22	+1.50
Jun	8.40	10.40	8.40	8.40	+1.50
Jul	7.58	9.58	7.58	7.58	+1.50
Aug	6.76	8.76	6.76	6.76	+1.50
Sep	5.94	7.94	5.94	5.94	+1.50
Oct	5.12	7.12	5.12	5.12	+1.50
Nov	4.30	6.30	4.30	4.30	+1.50
Dec	3.48	5.48	3.48	3.48	+1.50
Jan	2.66	4.66	2.66	2.66	+1.50
Feb	1.84	3.84	1.84	1.84	+1.50
Mar	1.02	3.02	1.02	1.02	+1.50
Apr	0.20	2.20	0.20	0.20	+1.50
May	0.38	2.38	0.38	0.38	+1.50
Jun	0.56	2.56	0.56	0.56	+1.50
Jul	0.74	2.74	0.74	0.74	+1.50
Aug	0.92	2.92	0.92	0.92	+1.50
Sep	1.10	3.10	1.10	1.10	+1.50
Oct	1.28	3.28	1.28	1.28	+1.50
Nov	1.46	3.46	1.46	1.46	+1.50
Dec	1.64	3.64	1.64	1.64	+1.50
Jan	1.82	3.82	1.82	1.82	+1.50
Feb	2.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	+1.50
Mar	2.18	4.18	2.18	2.18	+1.50
Apr	2.36	4.36	2.36	2.36	+1.50
May	2.54	4.54	2.54	2.54	+1.50
Jun	2.72	4.72	2.72	2.72	+1.50
Jul	2.90	4.90	2.90	2.90	+1.50
Aug	3.08	5.08	3.08	3.08	+1.50
Sep	3.26	5.26	3.26	3.26	+1.50
Oct	3.44	5.44	3.44	3.44	+1.50
Nov	3.62	5.62	3.62	3.62	+1.50
Dec	3.80	5.80	3.80	3.80	+1.50
Jan	3.98	5.98	3.98	3.98	+1.50
Feb	4.16	6.16	4.16	4.16	+1.50
Mar	4.34	6.34	4.34	4.34	+1.50
Apr	4.52	6.52	4.52	4.52	+1.50
May	4.70	6.70	4.70	4.70	+1.50
Jun	4.88	6.88	4.88	4.88	+1.50
Jul	5.06	7.06	5.06	5.06	+1.50
Aug	5.24	7.24	5.24	5.24	+1.50
Sep	5.42	7.42	5.42	5.42	+1.50
Oct	5.60	7.60	5.60	5.60	+1.50
Nov	5.78	7.78	5.78	5.78	+1.50
Dec	5.96	7.96	5.96	5.96	+1.50
Jan	6.14	8.14	6.14	6.14	+1.50
Feb	6.32	8.32	6.32	6.32	+1.50
Mar	6.50	8.50	6.50	6.50	+1.50

TRADE: Liberalization raises many questions

(From 4C)

For instance, border businesses that have long depended on Mexican customers who shop in Texas for things that are more expensive or unavailable in Mexico may be crushed by freer trade. And Texas farmers could face stiff year-around competition from Mexican fruit and vegetable producers.

But as a prime trading partner and gateway to Mexico, the state also stands to gain from a boom in commerce along the Rio Grande.

"My expectation is that Texas will be one of the places that (will benefit most)," said Sidney Weintraub, a professor at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin. "We're just starting to look at it."

Weintraub, an expert on U.S.-Mexico trade, is directing a study on how the agreement will affect the state.

Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, has asked the International Trade Commission to study how a free-trade agreement would affect Texas.

The impact will depend on the terms of the agreement hashed out in negotiations.

Each country will bring a lengthy wish list to the bargaining table.

U.S. officials say that among their top interests is greater freedom for investment in Mexico — which remains tightly controlled despite the Salinas administration's slashing of restrictions last year. But even Salinas is cautious

about allowing further foreign investment in key Mexican industries such as oil production and mining, the officials say.

They also will be bargaining for greater trademark and patent protection for U.S. products, which are now often copied without permission in Mexico.

While excited about the possibility of new investment in some industries, Mexican negotiators are also looking at greater access to U.S. markets for such products as automobiles and automotive parts, textiles and summer fruits and vegetables. All those products now face steep tariffs or other restrictions.

"What Mexico fundamentally wants is to erase the non-tariff trade restrictions," in the United States, said Luis Rubio, director of the Center for Development Research, a business-funded think tank in Mexico City. "The most important thing is to have clean and clear rules of the game."

The actual negotiation of a free trade agreement and the slow phase-in of its provisions could take 10 years or more, U.S. officials note.

After receiving Bush's request for negotiations, the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee will have 60 legislative days — perhaps four months or more — to reject it. If they don't, the administration can move into serious talks with the Mexicans.

U.S. officials express hope that serious negotiations can begin as early as spring and be completed by the end of 1991.

THREATENS: Real estate woes spreading

(From 4C)

He also noted a "real disparity" in thrift performance geographically. Thrifts in the Pacific Northwest and in the upper Midwest continue to be profitable, largely because these areas have so far escaped the real estate downturn experienced in the Southwest and, more recently, the Northeast.

Private analysts, however, offered an unreservedly bleak assessment of the industry's prospects.

"It's fairly clear the real estate correction process is becoming national," said Richard C. Aspinwell, vice president of Chase Manhattan Bank and a member of a private academic group, the Shadow Financial Regulatory Committee.

An analysis by the thrift office, which divides S&Ls among four groups based on their financial health, shows that 1,169 healthy institutions have earned consistent profits over the last 18 months: \$646 million in the second quarter of 1990, \$641 million in the first quarter and \$582 million in the second quarter of 1989.

However, in a worrisome

sign, the performance of the next group — 674 weak institutions that were nevertheless expected to survive — deteriorated. Those institutions earned \$31 million in the April-June period, compared with \$195 million in the previous quarter and \$296 million a year earlier.

An additional 350 thrifts in danger of failing lost \$153 million last quarter.

PROBE: Many states probing rise in oil prices

(From 4C)

panies since late August.

In the South, Mississippi, Tennessee and Florida also have begun investigations.

In the Midwest, Kansas officials have ordered 15 gas stations in Manhattan, Kan., to turn over pricing documents after the state discovered that pump prices there were 10 cents to 15 cents higher than in the rest of the state.

And in Illinois, officials have subpoenaed Amoco Corp., Mobil Oil Corp., Unocal Corp., Shell and Marathon and have hired Lee Freeman, a prominent Chicago antitrust attorney, to lead their investigation.

In the western United States, law enforcement officials have rekindled pricing investigations first launched more than a year ago when the grounding of the Exxon Valdez boosted the price of gas there.

In Hawaii, where unleaded gasoline sells for \$1.43 a gallon, far above the national average, law enforcement officials have sub-

poenaed 75 oil companies as part of an investigation. In Utah, the attorney general's office has taken about 12 hours of depositions from oil industry executives as part of its probe and last week asked dozens of gasoline retailers to voluntarily provide pricing documents needed by investigators.

The only region noticeably absent from the sweep of investigations is the oil patch itself, which has yet to produce a single serious inquiry into the gas price controversy.

Elna Christopher, a spokeswoman for Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox, said her office is assisting federal officials but has launched no separate investigation.

While the investigations are hardly a surprise to Big Oil — company officials say short-lived attacks against the industry follow nearly every crude price increase — the oil giants worry that the latest spate of inquiries may be more intense and much broader in scope than during any other peri-

od in recent memory.

Investigators across the country say they are examining not only the increase in prices but also the fundamental structure of the oil industry.

"We think there needs to be a broader look at the structure of the industry and the way it operates," Pennsylvania's Gentzel said. "We need to recognize that some tremendous changes have taken place and they aren't being paid attention to."

Gentzel said the advent of spot crude markets and futures trading, together with the deregulation of natural gas pricing and transportation, have outpaced the rules that govern the industry.

While no concrete proposals have emerged to address the structural concerns, some states are considering tough anti-price-gouging laws and strengthened "divorcement" legislation, which prevents major oil companies from refining and selling gasoline in the same market.

In an effort to speed the reform

effort, the National Association of Attorneys General earlier this month wrote President Bush and asked him to create a federal task force that would examine the entire petroleum industry, including the spot market and commodity futures trading. No group has been formed yet.

Despite the latest crisis in public confidence, oil industry officials say similar inquiries have been held dozens of times before and have failed to find evidence of industry wrongdoing.

An investigation into last winter's heating oil price increases found that even though oil companies came away with healthy profits, no laws were broken.

Similarly, industry officials maintain that the increase in gas prices is easily explained.

They say variations in the price of crude are inevitable in a market that runs on the rules of supply and demand.

Further, industry executives say that the price of their product is set not by their companies but by the world's financial markets.

QUINN: Rental owners gambling on making profit

(From 4C)

and resell it at the full market price. One way to find these opportunities is to advertise in your newspaper's real-estate section: "We buy options."

(5) Write to everyone who owns land in your county but lives somewhere else. Ask what they'd sell for. Maybe one out of 200 will name a price that's half the real value. That one, you buy. (If you receive such a letter, incidentally, don't name a price before talking to a local real-estate agent.)

If all of this sounds like work, it is. But that's what it takes to make money in real estate today.

Jane Bryant Quinn's column, syndicated by Washington Post Writers Group appears on the Reporter-Telegram business pages each Tuesday and Friday.

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LIFESTYLE & CONSUMER

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Dear Abby/2D
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Christmas lists already being made

By JEFF GUINN
N.Y. Times News Service

Dick Tracy stuff.
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.
Musical instruments.
The Simpsons. Games, dolls, T-shirts.

And Nintendo games and accessories. AGAIN.

These are the types of toys most likely to be found under Christmas trees in 1990, toy industry insiders and Santa's elves say.

"This Christmas we won't see a repeat of the Cabbage Patch doll phenomenon, where one specific toy drives the whole holiday market," said Frank Reysen, editor of "Playthings" magazine. "But there will be a number of lead toys, a mix of electronic games with more traditional items like plastic action figures."

Reysen, whose magazine is a bellwether publication of the toy industry, said the continued popularity of Nintendo products baffles experts who were convinced the video game product line would finally be supplanted after three years at the top of innumerable kids' gotta-have Christmas lists.

Your child's 1990 Nintendo demands will most likely start with The Laser Scope Voice Command Headset from Konami Inc. An ultra-high-tech, lightweight game accessory, it allows its youthful users to speak "Fire!" commands into a microphone, with a laser beam leaping from an eyepiece to zap on-screen targets.

"We wanted something that was easy to use and comfortable to wear," said Konami spokesperson Lynn Hejtmank. "Last year another company had the Power Glove, a device that allowed kids to move Nintendo game figures with hand motions, but it was very heavy and uncomfortable after a while. We also wanted a product that was more affordable than the \$100 that the Power Glove cost."

THE KONAMI headset will sport a \$39.95 price tag. Though television and print media ads will soon start touting the headset's charms, be prepared for a lengthy search to find one. Konami has 650,000 on order from the overseas firm that actually constructs the toy, but just 250,000 or so will be delivered in time for Christmas.

Of course, young Nintendo devotees also need games to play and



game systems on which to play them.

"While I don't see much demand for the basic Nintendo set, there's still going to be a strong market for the Gameboy (about \$90, a hand-held version of the larger Nintendo system)," Reysen said. "Among the most popular games will be 'Castlevania III, Tetris' and 'Batman,' all at or around the usual Nintendo game price of \$35 to \$50."

Atari will attempt to counter the Nintendo Gameboy with Lynx, a more expensive (\$190) hand-held video game with what its manufacturer terms "superior graphics and sound."

On the plastic figure — i.e., doll — front, Reysen said Ninja Turtle figures and Dick Tracy look-alikes based on characters from the summer's smash movie will fill lots of toy boxes Dec. 25.

"Playmates (a toy manufacturing company) will do very well with these figures, which cost about \$5 each," Reysen said.

JUST WHEN parents thought they'd bought the last of the

gnarly looking Ninja Turtle figures, Playmates intends to introduce "19" new ones between now and Christmas.

In conjunction with the "Dick Tracy" film opening, Playmates shipped 2.5 million figures to toy stores. Now the company is about to put out three more figures along with extras such as patrol cars, a crime-fighting kit and a Dick Tracy watch.

If your kids don't spend Christmas 1990 zapping Nintendo screens or tossing Turtle and Tracy figures around, they may be tooting away on any number of battery-driven toy musical instruments whose prices will range from \$10 to \$30.

"A lot of manufacturers are bringing out musical instruments this year," Reysen said. "Parents always feel comfortable giving musical toys as gifts. You somehow feel as though you're giving the child something educational."

Reysen cited Nasta Inc. as the Christmas 1990 leader in musical toy products.

"Nasta will have Horn Magic, six brass instruments rolled into one,"

he said. "They have SuperSax for \$22, a three-in-one horn. Mega Mike for \$23, a microphone that lets kids sing solo or as a trio all by themselves. Then there's Hit Stix II for \$20, plastic drumsticks kids can wave in the air and re-create about 40 percussion sounds."

Just what we moms and dads wanted, right?

SPEAKING OF parents, Cardinal Inc. is pushing "The Simpsons Mystery of Life" board game for Christmas 1990. For around 10 bucks, kids can pretend they're part of TV's bumbling cartoon clan.

On the home video front, several mega-hit titles are expected to hit store shelves by the end of October. "Peter Pan," the evergreen Disney classic, will lead the way, most often priced at \$24.99 with rebates possibly lowering final cost to around \$18.

CONSUMING INTERESTS

Low-fat hot dogs still favorite food

By Linda Anderson

Some foods that were never meant to be no-fat are turning up in supermarkets in "low-fat" versions, which, I suppose, is a step in the right direction. I mean, while you can lessen the fat content of, say, margarine or bacon, if you take all the fat out, there's very little left.

Anyway, since watching fat intake is a high priority these days — and since we love hot dogs at my house — we were delighted and relieved to find two brands of low-fat hot dogs at the store the other day. Needless to say, both brands went home with us to be checked out for taste, price and advertising accuracy.

Eckrich Lite Bunsies Franks and Oscar Mayer Light Wieners both advertised as being lower in fat than their regular counterparts. Prices are \$1.89 for a 16-ounce package of the Eckrich hot dogs and \$2.47 for a 16-ounce package of the Oscar Mayer hot dogs.

Label advertising on the Eckrich "lite" franks' label claims the hot dogs are "made with pork, turkey, beef" and contain "25 percent less fat." An explanation of that statement reads: "One frank contains 25 percent less fat (22 percent) than the maximum USDA allowed standard for franks (30 percent)." Oh.

Nutrition label lists one frank as containing 150 calories and 13 grams fat. Since the American Heart Association recommends that calories from fat be only about 30 percent of the total diet, foods with more fat than that may be considered high fat. Each gram of fat contains nine calories, so if you multiply 9 calories x 13 grams of fat in each of these hot dogs, you can see that each hot dog contains about 117 calories of fat — or nearly 80 percent of total calories.

On the Oscar Mayer label, advertising claims that the wieners are "80 percent fat free" which makes them "20 percent fat." But once again, the nutrition label tells the tale: Each hot dog contains 130 calories and 11 grams of fat.

The taste-test was enjoyed by all. Both tasted like regular hot dogs — you couldn't tell by the flavor that they were "light." But the Oscar Mayer tasted a little better than the Eckrich. Not much, but a little.

The AHA advises to limit intake of calories from fat to no more than 30 percent of total diet, which doesn't mean that you can't enjoy hot dogs any more. But if you too love hot dogs like we do, just remember to balance them out with low-fat foods at your next meal so you don't get too much fat in your total diet.

Thank goodness. I don't think we could make it without hot dogs.

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Linda Anderson is a Reporter-Telegram Lifestyle writer.



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Playskool Electronics is introducing a big-button telephone that looks like a toy. But the phone, the Little Operator, allows young children to directly dial emergency numbers.

The telephone can be programmed with the appropriate numbers of emergency services. Colorful picture cards, which come with the phone, are placed over appropriate buttons.

The phone comes with cards indicating 911, the fire and police departments, the doctor, a hospital, an ambulance, mom at work, dad at work, and grandparents.

The telephone, which will be about \$40, is expected in stores soon, was designed "in case the unthinkable happens," said Buddy Paris, general manager of Playskool Electronics. "The parents or baby sitter could faint or become ill," he said.

"Even the youngest child, who does not even know how to use numbers or cannot remember numbers, can use it," he added.

Safety officials, more and more, are emphasizing the importance of teaching young children to dial 911 in an emergency. Earlier this summer, a 3-year-old boy on Long Island called 911 after he found that his mother had fainted in the kitchen.

So that young children do not think of the phone as a toy and call emergency numbers when there is no emergency, "Parents really should make a point to sit down with their children and teach them how and when to use the phone," said Fern Kestenbaum, senior account executive for Playskool. "We recommend it for children 4 years old and up, because before that they would not know how to use a phone."

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DEAR ABBY

Parents are afraid to let son enroll in school of hard knocks

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Our bright, soon-to-be 18-year-old son feels that he has reached an impasse with us regarding his future.

His mother and I feel that as long as he is living under our roof, we have an obligation to be actively involved in every aspect of his future in order to protect him from what we fear might be mistakes. He feels that we are being unfair to deprive him of acquiring the experience necessary to achieve his goals. He insists that even though he may make some mistakes, it's his future, and he will have to learn from his mistakes.

We have all agreed to use your insight as a basis for compromise. — HIS PARENTS IN BROOKLYN



Van Buren

tween "protecting" an 18-year-old and controlling him. I applaud your conscientious parenting, Mom and Dad, but must you be actively involved in EVERY aspect of your son's future? Please don't hamper his growth by smothering him.

DEAR ABBY: I am surprised that you had so many letters from readers who were on "your side" in the matter of whether or not a couple should marry because a baby was on the way.

I would like to go on record as being firmly opposed to your advice to marry because a child had been accidentally conceived. I should think the pitfalls and hopelessness of a forced marriage (forced in any sense of the word) would be obvious to all parties concerned.

But all of that aside, Abby, please consider this: What if the baby is miscarried, or is stillborn, or dies shortly after birth, etc. Then what? — S.S. IN PINE LAKE, GA.

DEAR S.S.: If the baby does not survive for any of the above reasons, at least the mother and father will have the satisfaction of knowing that they did the right thing in their willingness to legiti-

mize the child, even though it had been accidentally conceived.

DEAR ABBY: Here's one for your "Honesty Is the Best Policy" file:

My husband and I received a letter from a shirttail relative who lives 2,000 miles from us. This cousin came to visit us two years ago for what we understood would be a two-week visit. Well, she stayed for three months!

Yesterday we received a letter from her advising us that she would be coming to visit us again for two weeks! We called her immediately to tell her that we had planned to be away ourselves. She said, "Oh, that's OK — just send me a set of keys to the house!"

Now what? — STUCK IN NASHVILLE

DEAR STUCK: Immediately advise your shameless, brassy cousin not to expect your housekeys. Period. You are under no obligation to explain the reason for your decision. And in the future, try never to lie.

"O what a tangled web we weave

"When first we practice to deceive!" (Sir Walter Scott)

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AT WIT'S END

To iron or not is no longer a question that is pressing

By Erma Bombeck

My mother, who still irons shoestrings, asked me the other day if I had slept in the blouse I was wearing. I told her I had given up ironing until they figured out this magnetic field mess. I certainly didn't want to endanger my health if appliances are giving off electromagnetic currents.

She reminded me of the time when my son was in a grade school play and I ironed only the trouser leg that faced the audience. I'm really glad she brought that up.

Call it a sixth sense, but I have always had a feeling that ironing could ravage your youth and throw you into severe depression — if you did it right. That is why for years I have ironed only on demand. The business of whether or not these electrical fields from an iron contribute adversely to my health only reinforces my original decision to iron as little as possible.

Ironing is a legacy our mothers never succeeded in passing on to their children. Today's woman asks certain basic questions before she plugs in her iron:

- (1) Does this piece of apparel still fit?
- (2) Will it be put on a body or hang in the closet?



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closet?

(3) How much of it is going to show? Be tucked in? Hidden under a sweater? Worn in the dark or under a bright light?

(4) Will it come in contact with anyone who will ever see you again?

As for the next generation, my children have only one question: "What is an iron?"

I remember as a kid watching my grandmother who took in ironing for a living. When she wasn't hanging it on the line, she was taking it down, sprinkling it with water, rolling it up and storing it in her icebox until she could get around to ironing all of it. And she ironed everything. There was a large mangle in her basement into which she used to feed sheets. They came out too hot even to touch.

And where are all those women who, at the turn of the century, ironed their brains out? They're all dead now. I rest my case.

As I told Mother, I am not ready to compromise my health for a collar ironed on both sides or a pair of wrinkle-free slacks. I'm sorry, but my well-being is more important than a smooth pillowcase under my head at night.

That is why my iron remains unplugged and there is a sign on my ironing board that reads, "STOP ME BEFORE I KILL AGAIN!"

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aprons, Christmas cards, bluebonnet glasses, and a darling chili pot with six hanging bowls. Also in this area are children's bibs and T-shirts with a Lone Star theme, large and small tote bags, key chains, bluebonnet seeds and two cookbooks — "Tastes and Tales from Texas" and "More Tastes and Tales from Texas."

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Jeffcoat recommends an oil change for your car every three months or 3,000 miles. If you can't remember the last time you had an oil change, then it's surely time to have one. A free car wash is offered with each oil change in the Chaparral lube center.

Prices for the oil change and lube range from \$16.50 to \$22.50. Pennzoil, Quaker State, Havoline and other major brands of oil are available. You can count on more than just an oil change and lube in the Chaparral lube center. Technician C.C. Banks enjoys a reputation for being friendly, knowledgeable and able to trouble spot car problems. "C.C., in addition to being personable, has many years of experience in car maintenance," explained Jeffcoat.

Depend on the Chaparral technicians to examine your battery, tires, belts and hoses. Your vehicle is also checked for important proper fluid levels, including brake, power steering, transmission and windshield washer fluids.

As a part of this service, these fluids are replenished, if your car needs it. For an additional charge, Chaparral can install transmission oil, freon, light bulbs and windshield wiper refills. The friendly professionals at Chaparral Wash and Lube can help give your car the look and feel you want for one of your most valuable possessions.

Come by soon and pamper your car with some of the extra Chaparral services you can combine with your car wash. Check out the advantages of a professionally administered detail job from Chaparral. "We offer our service for a low price, in comparison to other businesses," commented Chaparral manager Steve Thompson.

A detail job includes spraying the engine to remove oil and grime, glazing, a thorough cleaning under the hood, hand waxing, carpet and upholstery shampooing, interior dash and door treatment and tire treatment. Prices for this service range from \$49 to \$79, and a staff member can drive

you back to work or home and pick you up when the job is complete.

A full service car wash, which includes a wash by gentle cleansers, chamols brushes and soft water is just \$7.95. Standard vans and Suburbans are just \$2.00 extra. Each car is treated to a thorough wash down before it is cleaned gently by the brushes. Vacuuming, hand drying and window cleaning are included in the low price.

Save time while getting your car washed and have your car filled with Texaco gasoline and get a discount towards the wash. Fill up with more than 18 gallons and your wash is free.

Generally open on rainy days, Chaparral's lube center and gasoline pumps are at your service. With the purchase of gasoline or an oil change, if the clouds are threatening, you'll receive a rain check for your next car wash.

Chaparral Wash and Lube Center is conveniently located at the corner of Big Spring and Scharbauer Drive. Texaco, Visa, Master-



Chaparral Wash and Lube Center customers are return customers because the service is consistently professional and friendly. Stop by 2300 N. Big Spring for an oil change and a free car wash soon. From left are Chaparral owner Leon Jeffcoat, lube center technician C.C. Banks and Chaparral customer Gordon Marcum.

Card, American Express and Discover cards are accepted. Hours are 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays. Call 682-8013 for more information.

Lifetime Siding: Compare and save

Eugene and Rose Hunter of Midland nearly made a costly \$1000 mistake. That is until they contacted Neil Letkeman of Lifetime Siding and Window Company for a money saving estimate.

"We had thought about adding siding to our home for years," recalled Mr. Hunter. "Two other contractors had given much higher estimates for siding on our home. Neil's bid was almost \$1000 lower than the lowest estimate," added Mr. Hunter, whose home is at 300 Willowood.

"We were amazed at Neil's bid and thought there must be something wrong with his work, so we really checked him out. His installation methods are excellent and we have not regretted our decision. I'd be pleased to have anyone come look at what Neil did for us," Mr. Hunter concluded.

Owner Neil Letkeman uses only top quality materials and workmanship on every Lifetime Siding and Window job. "Our superior installation methods contribute largely to the success of Lifetime Siding and Window Co.," he said. "Today's homeowners are looking for the highest quality products at the lowest prices."

This month, Lifetime Siding and Window will offer factory discount pricing on certain styles and colors — up to 25 percent off. Call 689-0307. Many siding companies, in order to keep costs down, are resorting to lower quality materials and faster installation methods such as stapling and nailing. These methods are standard in the industry. But are they the best? Lifetime Siding and Window Co. doesn't think so!

"We start by replacing any rot-



Neil Letkeman, left, owner of Lifetime Siding and Window Company displays his talent and workmanship recently completed on the home of Eugene and Rose Hunter.

ten and warped boards," explained Letkeman, "and we refasten loose boards. We make sure that all the wood on the house is in good shape before we start installing our siding." When installing siding, Lifetime Siding specialists use screws and rivets in all critical areas of installation. It does not take an engineer to figure out that screws and rivets secure siding better than staples and nails.

These installation methods, together with highest quality lifetime warranted steel or vinyl siding will give you a permanent solution to your painting problems. Just call Lifetime Siding at 689-0307 for a free, money-saving estimate. Compare and save.

Lifetime Siding and Window has workers compensation insur-

ance for your protection. Lifetime Siding and Window Company also sells and installs at reduced prices other home improvements such as storm and replacement windows, storm doors, rain gutters and metal carports.

For energy efficiency, protection for your home and family, noise and dust reduction as well as overall savings, Letkeman recommends storm and replacement windows for your home. Storm windows, which are great for insulation, can come with tinted glass. And replacement dual glass thermal break windows are solid investments for the long term.

You can count on Letkeman's experience as a home improvement products salesman, manager and applicator when you place your order with Lifetime Siding and Window Company. "We've been continually lower in price and higher in quality than our competitor," added Letkeman. "We will not be undersold!" For your free estimate, please call Lifetime Siding and Window Co. at 689-0307.

Pain & Stress Acupuncture Clinic offers relief for numerous ailments

If you suffer from pain and chronic disease, or need help with smoking cessation or weight control, the ancient science of acupuncture may prove to be the solution for you.

Dr. Amy Jon, of the Pain and Stress Acupuncture Clinic at 2109 W. Texas, Suite F, received her training from Sun Yat-Sen University, a highly selective Chinese university, and she brings more than 15 years of experience to the clinic.

Acupuncture is an important component procedure in traditional Oriental medicine. It balances your body's electromagnetic energies by puncturing certain points on the body with very thin, solid needles. Requiring simple equipment, acupuncture has been widely practiced in Asia and elsewhere for more than four thousand years.

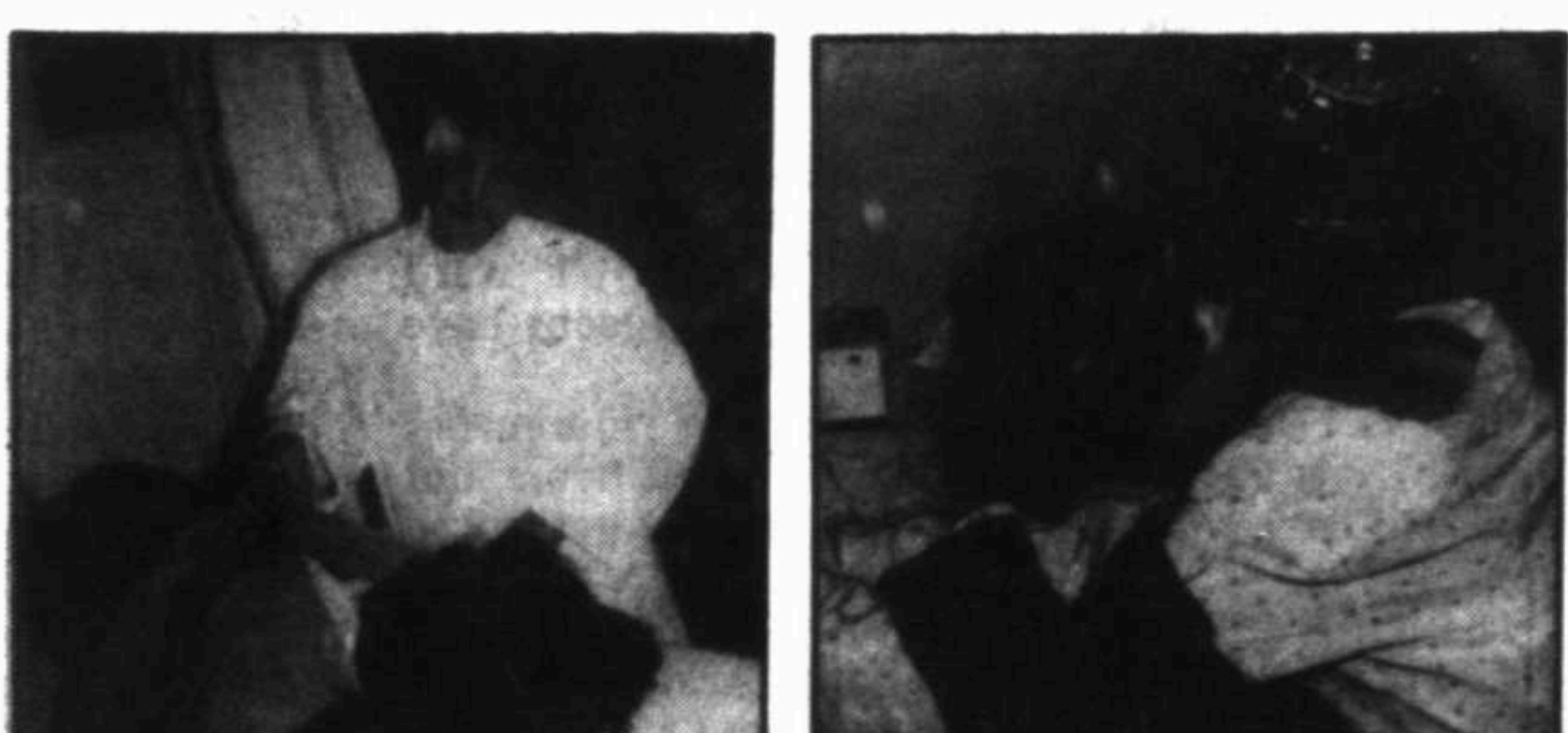
Traditional Oriental medicine refers to this practice as the balancing of the yin and yang. Modern research in the United States and Canada has determined that the needle stimulation triggers a response that releases neurotransmitters and endorphins which change your body's internal chemistry.

Acupuncture is a form of healing which has great potential in treating many conditions which have not responded to other therapies.

Acupuncture can help you to stop smoking or control your weight. Weight control is accompanied by herbs and teas.

It is best known for its pain control effectiveness for headaches, pain in lower back/bursitis, headaches, arthritis, tennis elbow, muscle spasm, painful joints, fatigue, soft tissue injury, acne, dizziness and insomnia.

In addition, acupuncture is successful in treating allergies, consti-



In photos taken in China, Dr. Amy Jon of the Pain and Stress Acupuncture Clinic, attaches acupuncture equipment to one of her patients who suffers from insomnia and neck and shoulder pain. If you suffer from insomnia, pain or need help with smoking cessation or weight control, Dr. Jon may be able to help.

pation, sinusitis, depression, asthma, neckache and circulation problems.

The number of treatments you would need depends on the nature of the problem, your age and vitality. A few visits may be sufficient for a simple pain problem, but a chronic condition will require more treatments.

In the beginning, for chronic pain and disease, it may be necessary two or three times a week. After the body begins to respond, and the condition is under control, treatments will be reduced.

Only disposable, pre-sterilized needles are used. A slight sting is normally felt when the needle punctures the skin.

Also, some individuals are more sensitive than others and feel a greater sensation. The reaction or sensation is an indication that the treatment is working.

It can provide relief from muscle pain and aid rapid recovery from fatigue and soft tissue inju-

ry. Many athletes receive acupuncture regularly as a form of preventive medicine.

Margaret Williams of Midland is so convinced that acupuncture works that she recommends it to her friends. In addition to suffering from sinus problems, earlier this year she pulled muscles in her back, left leg and shoulder. This caused her great pain and she walked with a limp. She had had three acupuncture and aftertreatments, with "Immediate relief — I am much better. I scarcely limp now at all."

After Dr. Jon has completely eliminated the soreness in Ms. Williams' tendons with one more treatment, she will treat her patient for sinus and knee problems.

Discuss your problems with Dr. Jon for an honest evaluation. Call her at the Pain and Stress Acupuncture Clinic at 683-6533. The clinic is located at 2109 W. Texas, Suite F.

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MASH prepared in case war erupts

The 5th MASH practiced all this long before it left Fort Bragg, N.C., and flew to Saudi Arabia about 10 days ago. In fact, the Army issued them a Halloween-



"This will be a different type of injury than the more common gunshot wounds and injuries that we

For the moment, only one-tenth of the 5th MASH's 60 beds are filled. The patients attended by the 16 doctors and 32 nurses range from a male soldier diagnosed with psychiatric problems to a woman soldier with an ovarian cyst.

Gifts pouring in for military personnel in Mideast

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— U.S. Air Force Sgt. Dana Flores

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"He says we need to get the water chilled before we wear ourselves off the bottled water, that we need more chillers," Stanley said.

In response, the Army's logistics staff has put out a rush order to ship more water chillers to Saudi Arabia, Stanley said.

Source: *ibid.*



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Bob Edmond of Haverhill, Mass., stands next to signs pointing to various places back home from an airbase in Saudi Arabia.

Army to stop trucking in Saudi bottled water

made water because it is lower in salt content and because the Saudi bottling plants don't put in as high a proportion of chlorine as the Army requires. In addition, the American Army's desalination equipment leaves the water with a rubbery aftertaste.

To help address this, the Army is beginning to lay flexible pipes to pump its desalinated water across the desert to units away from the coast, he said.

He said the Army currently gets about 90 percent of

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