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Telling the children

MISD's director of counseling spoke to teachers before school started to advise them on how to talk about teacher's death to children. 1E



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Sides continue talking after all-night session

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WASHINGTON — Despite the Teamsters' call to bolster picket lines, union leaders continued talking with UPS officials Saturday after all-night discussions aimed at ending a 13-day strike.

Union officials dismissed any talk of an imminent settlement, but government officials hoped the latest round of mediation would bring a halt to the work stoppage by 185,000 Teamsters.

Representatives from the package delivery giant and the 1.4 million-member union began the latest round of meetings Thursday at the urging of Labor Secretary Alexis Herman.

Friday's caucuses and conferences had continued through the night and all day Saturday.

Aside from occasional brief rest breaks, the talks were still under way as midnight approached Saturday night and indications were that another all-night session was likely.

"They've been at it almost nonstop for more than 32 hours — that's on top of 16 hours on Thursday,"

UPS in Midland

In the midst of the strike, the Midland UPS office, off Highway 80, has been shut down.

Late Saturday night the building was deserted. The UPS logo on the west side of the building has been covered with a blue tarp; other smaller UPS signs appear to have been removed.

A notice on the south side of the building reads: "This facility is closed until further notice. For information on packages call 1-800 PICK UPS."

A recorded message on UPS' toll-free number, 1-800-742-5877, refers Midland callers to the Odessa office.

said a Labor Department spokesman, who asked not to be identified. "That's more than a full work week packed into two and a half days, and they're still up there working on the issues."

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midlander remembers Elvis

Elvis Presley, actually Hastings employee Zack Kohn, was in the building to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Presley's death. Kohn said he got the outfit from a local costume shop and thought it would be fun to imitate the King.

TODAY

Sunny with high in the upper-90s. Weather on 4A.

Share your memories of Jessica McClure

October 16 will mark the 10th anniversary of the rescue of Jessica McClure, an event many consider Midland's finest hour.

For 58 hours volunteers from all walks of life joined their efforts to free the child as an entire nation watched and then cheered. Even today many Americans immediately think of Jessica McClure or "that child rescued from the water well" when they hear the name "Midland."

Now, we'd like to know what your memories are of that historic event. In 300 words or less, readers are invited to share their feelings and their recollections.

Letters selected will be published Sunday, October 5, in a special anniversary section. They should be addressed to Jessica Letters, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas, 79702, or they can be faxed to 570-7650.

Hiker beware

SALT LAKE CITY — Every year, tourists flock to the West to run wild rivers, climb mountains and hike its cathedral-like desert canyons, counting on outfitters and guides to see them safely through. But in an industry where oversight varies from state to state, nothing guarantees wilderness guides are the savvy outdoor veterans they claim to be. "It really is an example of the old adage, 'Let the buyer beware,'" says Terry Messmer, a Utah State University extension wildlife specialist.

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No winner

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. A winning ticket would have been worth an estimated \$27 million. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 1, 16, 27, 33, 34, 44. Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$38 million.

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Texas oil patch

'It's not a boom — it's an improvement.'



AP Photo

Jose Trejo hacks away foliage for a three-dimensional seismic survey searching for natural gas formations called the Cotton Valley pinnacle reefs in the dense vegetation of the Gus Engeling Wildlife Management Area in East Texas near Cayuga. Related story on 6A

Good help hard to find in latest oilfield surge

By Mark Babineck

Associated Press

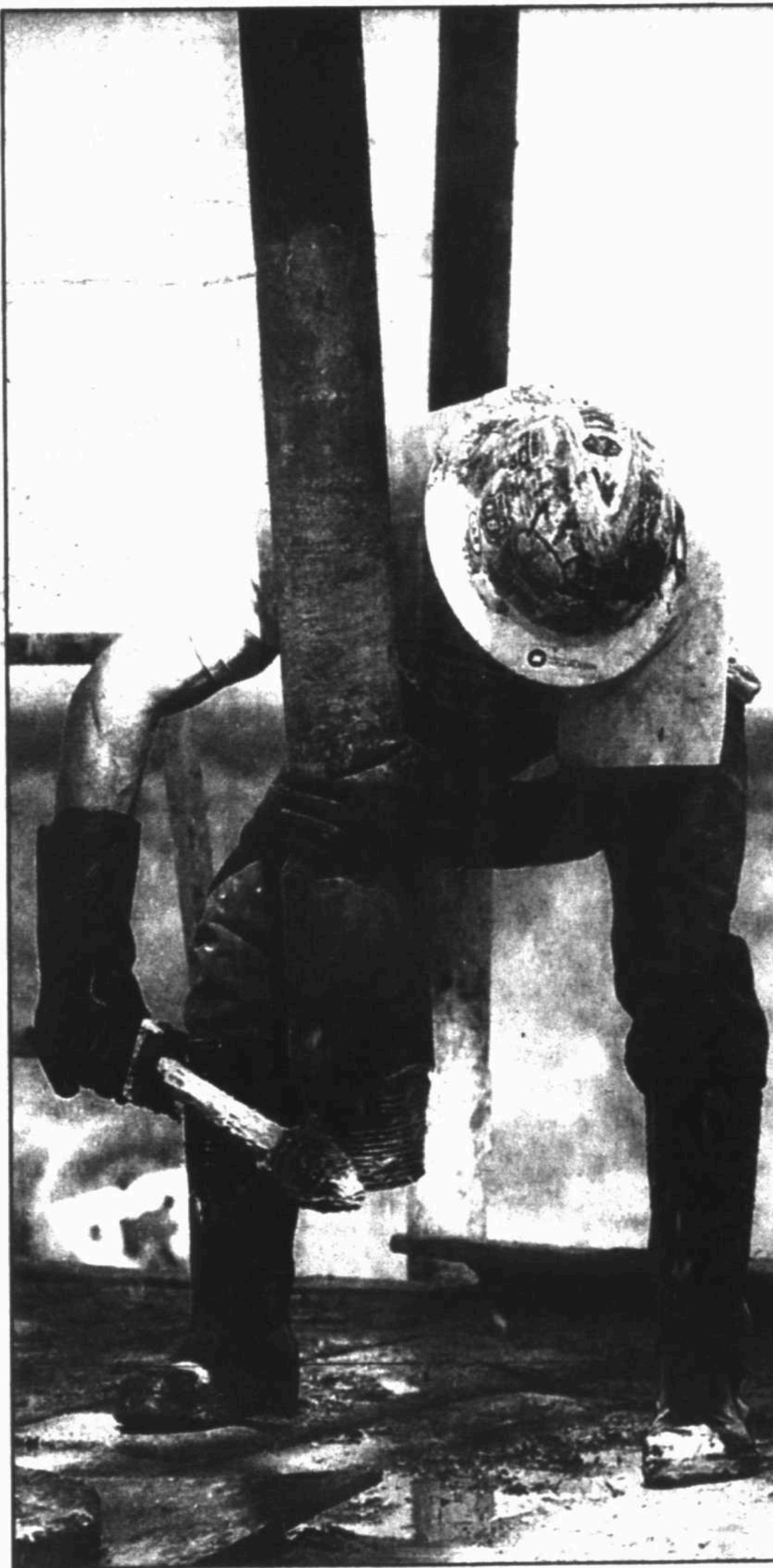
ABILENE — Standing between the moneymaking hum of working oil rigs and the silence of lost opportunity may be 5,000 vanished roughnecks.

The reservoir of experienced labor that once swarmed Texas oilfields has dried up. Qualified rig workers have become as hard to find during the current upturn as black gold itself.

"There are hands out there, but they're all inexperienced," said John Pace, operations administrator for FWA Drilling Co. in Midland.

Pace's company had two rigs idle at the beginning of the year because he couldn't find anyone to run them. Since then, he's had to wage a bidding war with competi-

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AP Photo

Roger Emery, a roughneck with FWA Drilling Company, Inc., brushes pipe dope on pipe threads before making a connection to the drilling pipe on a drilling rig for Parker & Parsley in the Spraberry Field of the Permian Basin south of Midland.

Oil industry looking up after years of low prices, cost-cutting

Editor's Note: Following several years of low prices and a cost-cutting approach to doing business, the oil industry has rebounded. This is an in-depth look at the state of the industry today.

By Melissa Williams

Associated Press

WHITE OAK — When Stephen Shore graduated from college in 1985, he wanted to join his parents' oil well servicing company in East Texas. But with the price of oil hovering near \$10 a barrel, "I think I was on the verge of having to support them," he remembered recently with a dry chuckle.

What a difference a few bucks a barrel makes. A year ago, when oil passed \$20, the strapping, clean-cut father of three brought his Penn State MBA and six years of auto parts industry experience home to the Longview area. He's applying state-of-the-art management and marketing methods to the family business, TEC Well Services Inc.

Better times are spreading across the Texas oil patch, which accounts for more than a fifth of the nation's crude output. But not just prices are fueling this boomlet. A newly efficient industry, spreading use of high-tech gadgetry, spectacular offshore finds and a significant new gas play in eastern Texas all are contributing to the highest levels of activity in a decade or more.

The rig count is at a 12-year high in Texas, Louisiana and the Gulf of Mexico. New drilling permits in the Lone Star State are up by nearly a third this fiscal year over last. Jobs are up, too: Oil and gas employment rose last year for the first time since 1988 (except for slight upturns during 1990 and 1991 amid the Persian Gulf crisis).

While Texas oil may never return to the heady days of Spindletop, overnight boom towns and "Dallas,"

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Teen faces possibility of being tried as adult in crash that killed 2

By Rick Lopez

Staff Writer

The 17-year-old Midlander who was driving the pickup that was involved in a fatal accident July 27 faces the possibility of being prosecuted as an adult if he is charged in the deaths of two of his passengers and in the injuries two other passengers received.

Officials said the group was returning from a party at Greenwood when the driver of the vehicle, Jose DeLaO, allegedly ran a stop sign and slammed the truck into a giant concrete slab, catapulted over it and tumbled into a shallow ditch at County Road 1150.

Court officials said that based on the DPS blood/alcohol level results, DeLaO, who was

16 at the time, would face charges of intoxication manslaughter, a second-degree felony.

This charge, officials said, stems from the deaths of two 18-year-old Midland High School athletes, Esteban "Steve" Lara and Craig Noland.

Officials with the Midland County Attorney's Office said Friday that DeLaO now faces charges of intoxicated assault stemming from the injuries of Jeremy Cruz, 18, and Ky Lee Edwards, 19.

According to the Texas Penal Code, a person commits this offense if, while operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, a driver causes serious bodily injury to another. This

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■ Prosecutors must petition to have teen tried as adult

By Rick Lopez

Staff Writer

Juvenile criminal suspects who are 14 years old or older can be certified to stand trial as adults, according to an assistant county attorney.

A petition for certification is sought in cases where prosecutors think it is in the suspect's and community's best interests for a juvenile charged with a crime to be tried as an adult, said Assistant County Attorney Diana Gallegos.

The adult criminal justice system could provide more opportunities for rehabilitation than the juvenile system, according to criminal justice authorities.

She explained that a 14-year-old can be certified in specific incidents — mainly for aggravated drug offenses, capital felonies, or a first-degree felony.

Since January 1996, a 15-year-old can be the subject of a certification if he or she has committed any

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Turkish leader wins secular schools vote

ISTANBUL, Turkey (NYT) Seven weeks after he took office, Turkish Prime Minister Mesut Yilmaz on Saturday scored his first major political victory by winning passage of a hotly debated law to restrict religious education.

Although the bill will reshape the educational system in Turkey, it has implications that go far beyond the classroom. Over the last few months, the question of religious education had become a symbolic rallying point for both religious and secular Turks.

Emotions ran high during the parliamentary debate last week and anger over the bill spilled over onto the streets of several cities.

Police used batons and water cannon to break up religious-led protests in Istanbul on Friday, and more than 100 people were arrested here and in other parts of the country.

Senior military commanders and other leading secularists supported the bill just as fiercely as some religious figures opposed it. Former Prime Minister Necmettin Erbakan's refusal to back the bill was a key factor behind the military's decision to increase pressure on his government so that he felt forced to resign in June.

Under the new system, schoolchildren will have to spend eight years in public schools instead of five years before being eligible to enroll in religious academies.

Military officers and other secularists believe that religious academies have become too influential in Turkey, producing Islamic militants rather than simple clergy members and religious scholars.

They are alarmed at indications that many academy graduates are filtering into university student bodies and faculties, the civil service and the police.

Passage of the bill removes a highly divisive issue from Parliament's agenda. But opponents of the law have pledged to seek revenge at the polls on legislators who voted for it.

Because Turkey's powerful generals had insisted so strongly on the bill's passage, Saturday's vote was widely interpreted as a new reflection of the influence that the military exercises over civilian politics.



A Cuban carrying a banner depicting Pope John Paul II stands in the congregation gathered in the square outside of Havana's Cathedral, June 29, during the first open air mass since the Cuban Revolution in 1959. Cuba's Roman Catholic Church hopes a visit by the Pope will help it regain the freedom it needs to exercise its ministry.

Church hopes pope visit will aid Cuban religious freedom

HAVANA (AP) — Cuba's Roman Catholic Church, repressed for years under the island's Marxist regime, hopes a visit by Pope John Paul II will help it regain the freedom it needs to exercise its ministry.

Cuban bishops are encouraged by a slow but increasingly visible revival of Catholicism. To push the revival further, however, the church will need things the government may not be willing to give: access to news media and its own system of education, among others.

The Cuban government needs the papal visit in January to project a more tolerant image abroad. The church needs it as a lever to widen its sphere of influence in Cuban society.

Religious officials, while emphasizing the "pastoral" aspect of the visit, recognize that it could have political repercussions. The church sees itself as an agent of peaceful change in

Cuban society at a time when the Marxist system is under pressure to yield.

"The gospel must become alive in man and transform his life, give him what he is searching for," Monsignor Emilio Aranguren, bishop of Cienfuegos and secretary-general of the Catholic Bishops Conference, told The Associated Press. "Faith makes an impact and inspires commitments."

The pope's visit to Cuba was arranged last year when President Fidel Castro met John Paul at the Vatican.

"This is good for the government," said Enrique Lopez Oliva, professor of history at Cuba's National University. "The visit is a symbolic break of the embargo and the isolation of Cuba."

"The government knows that the church is the only organized institution that can face up to it," he said. "But the church is not going to fight for power. It wants

to be an instrument of reconciliation in a time of transition."

In Cuba, the Catholic Church has never played the significant political and social role it did in other in other Spanish-speaking countries, according to Jorge Ramirez Calzadilla, director of the Center for Psychological and Sociological Research.

As winds of independence swept the region, Cuba remained strongly attached to Spain by a conservative ruling class that kept slavery legal until 1885.

While in other countries the church evangelized the Indians, in Cuba it largely ignored the black population that mixed handed-down African religions and Catholicism to create a religion now known as Santeria.

The socialist revolution that brought Castro to power in 1959 caught the church before the renovating movement of the Vatican II Council, and the clergy here was still conservative.

Church leaders criticized the revolution, which in turn repressed religion and declared it an obstacle to socialism.

In 1993, the church issued a strong pastoral letter in which it criticized Cuba's political and economic policies and a state security system that created a "fear whose reasons no one knows."

Ramirez said the recent resurgence of religion may be explained in part by the economic crisis sparked by the collapse of the Soviet Union. He said it has created a new relationship between government and church.

The educational system no longer emphasizes the teaching of scientific atheism, and being a believer is no longer a political handicap.

In June, the government allowed the public celebration of a Mass in front of the cathedral for the first time.

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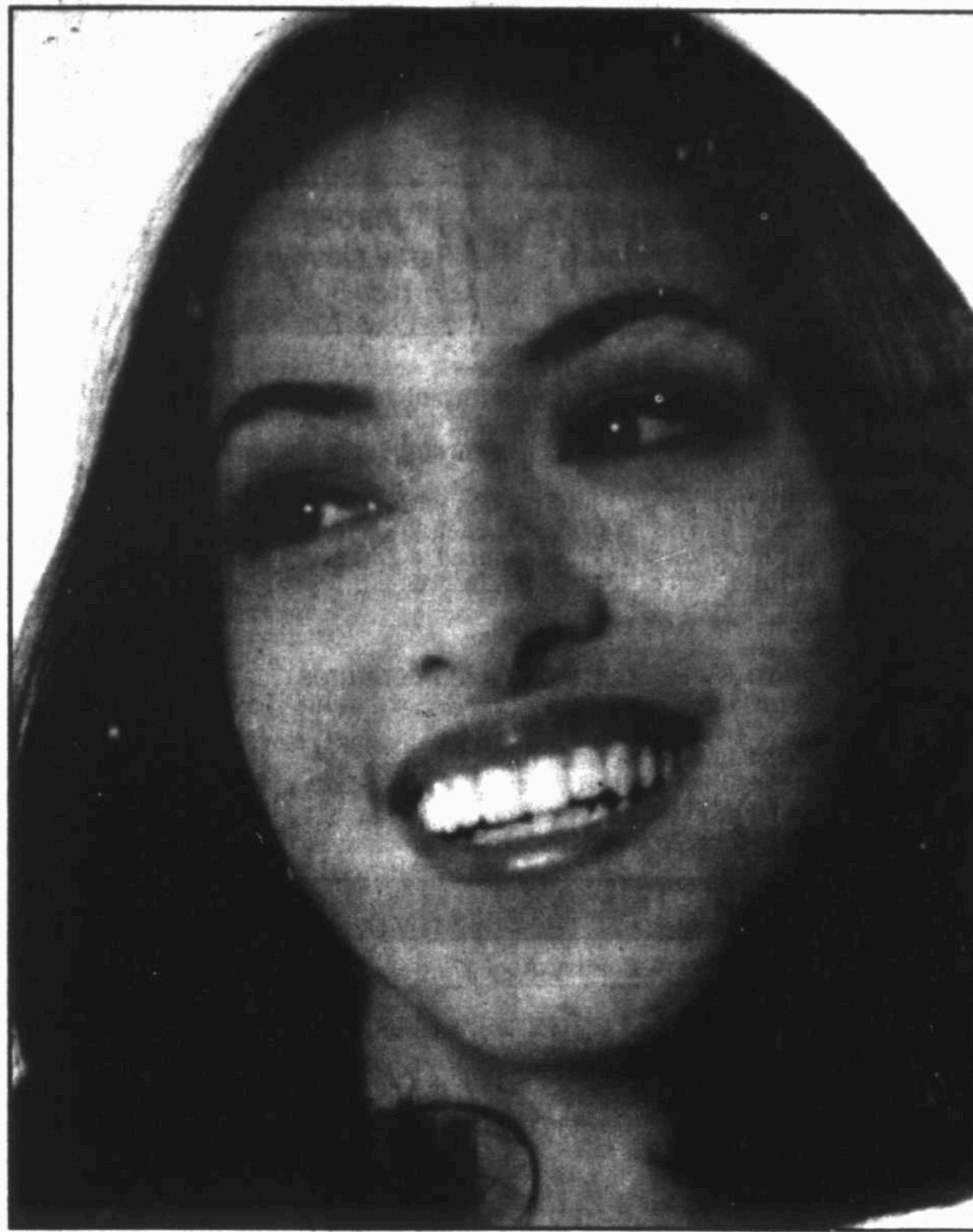
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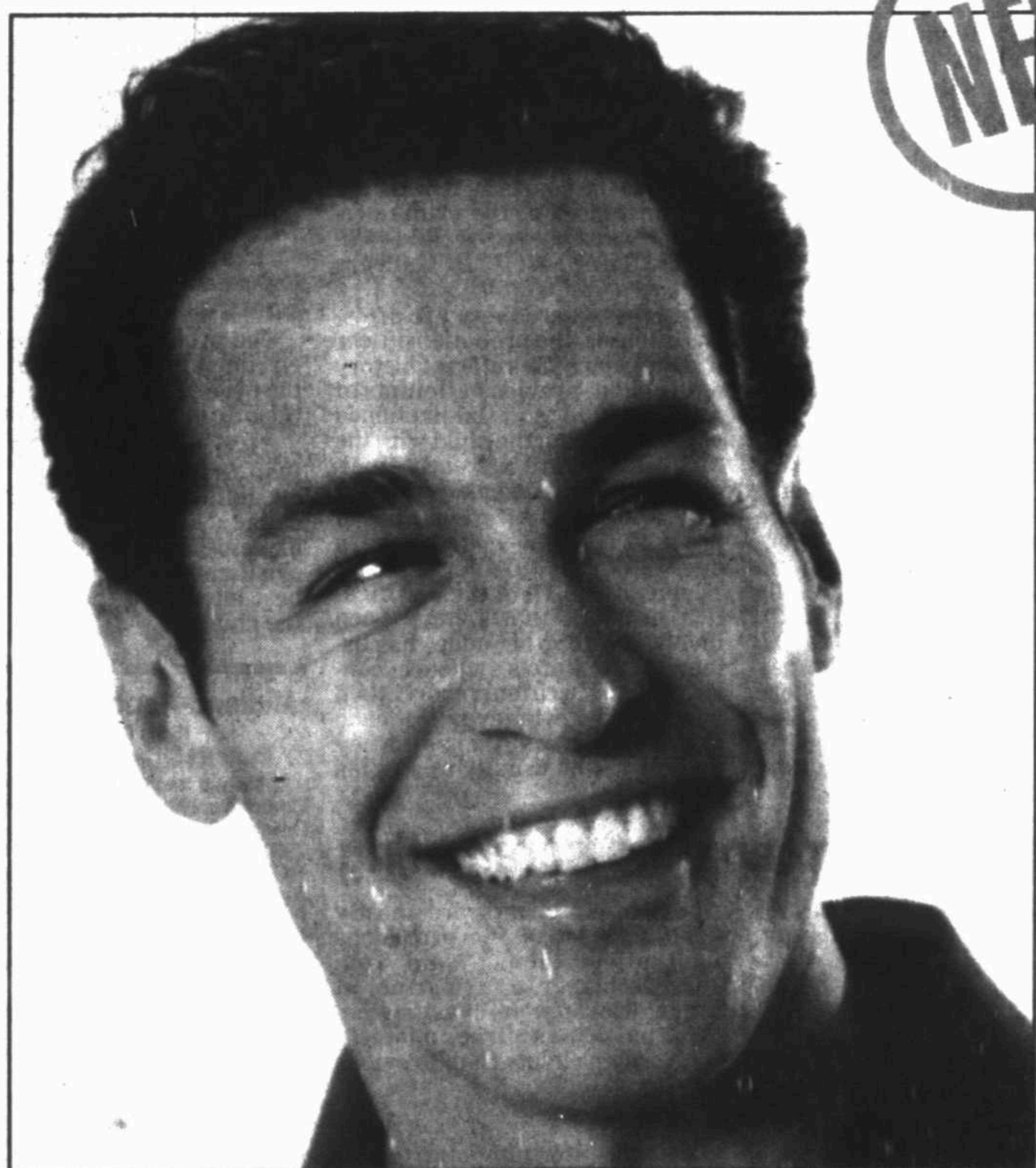
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Midland forecast

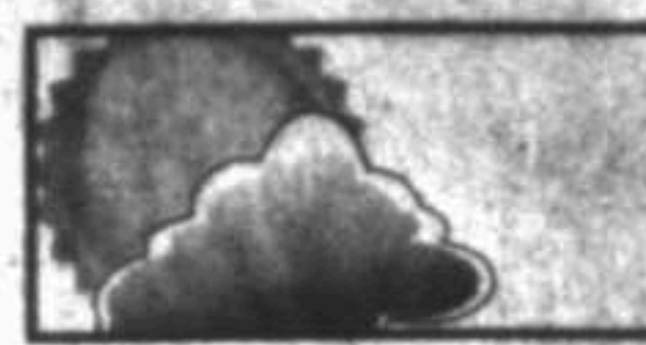
3-day forecast



Today
Mostly sunny
High 97
Low 71



Monday
Partly cloudy
High 95
Low 71



Tuesday
Partly cloudy
High 94
Low 70

Today's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high in the upper 90s. Winds will be from the south at 10 to 20 mph.

Tonight calls for fair skies with a low near 70, according to the National Weather Service.

Monday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms. A high will be in the mid-90s.

After high of 101, Saturday's low was 77, compared to the record low of 61 set in 1992. The all-time high of 104 was set in 1946.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Friday0.00 in.
Rainfall Saturday0.00 in.
Total for month32 in.
Total for year10.71 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

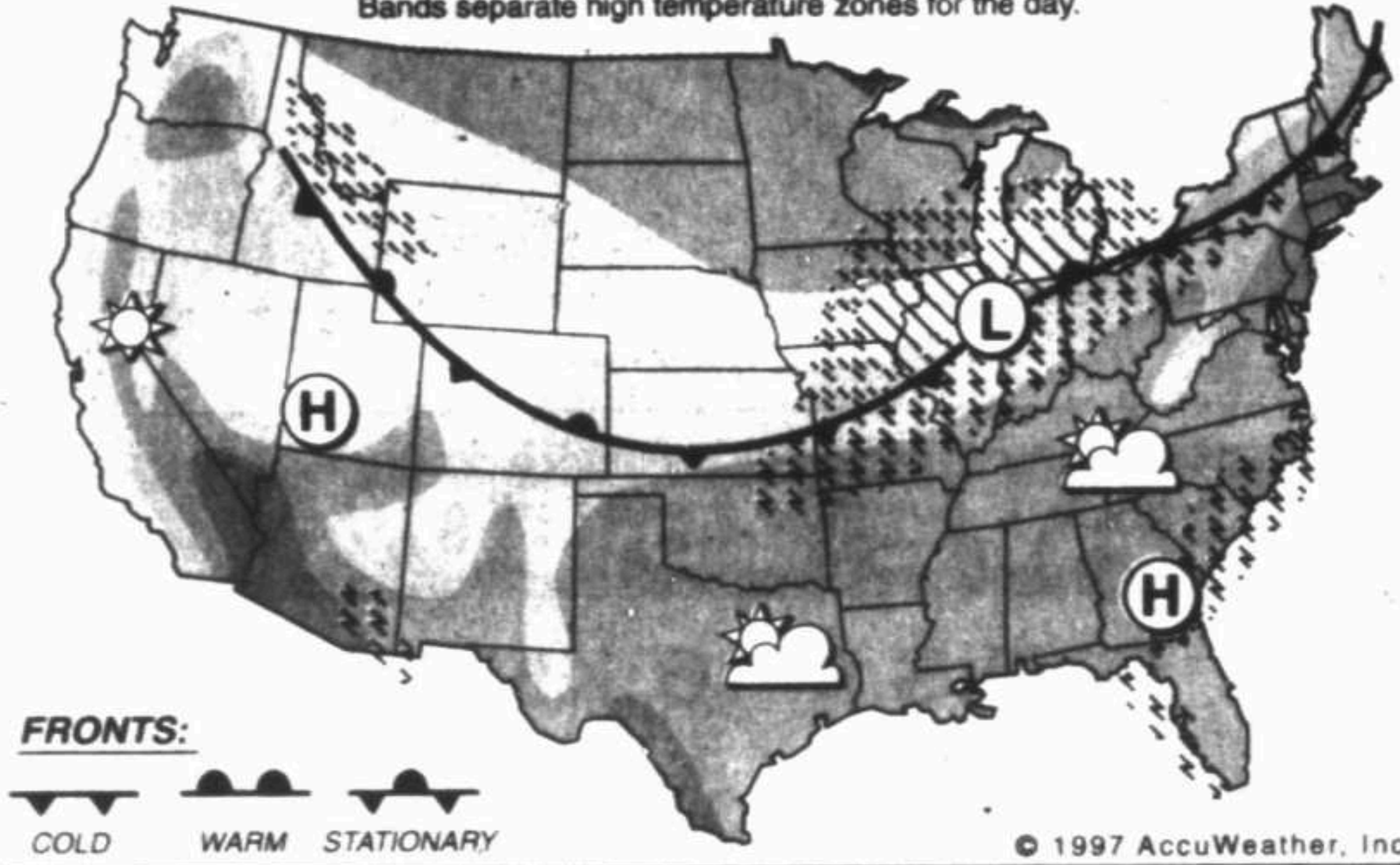
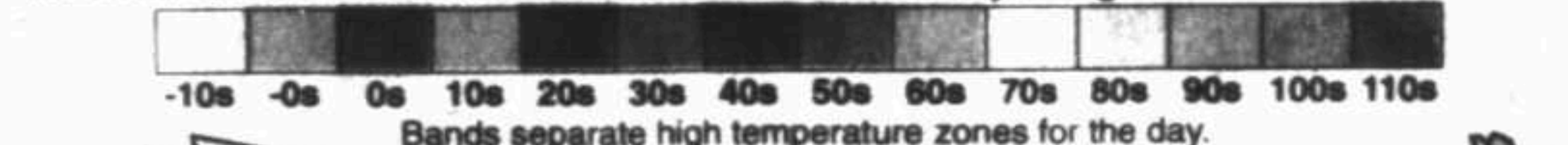
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Normal low72

Sunrise 7:15 a.m.

Sunset 8:30 a.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Sunday, Aug. 17.



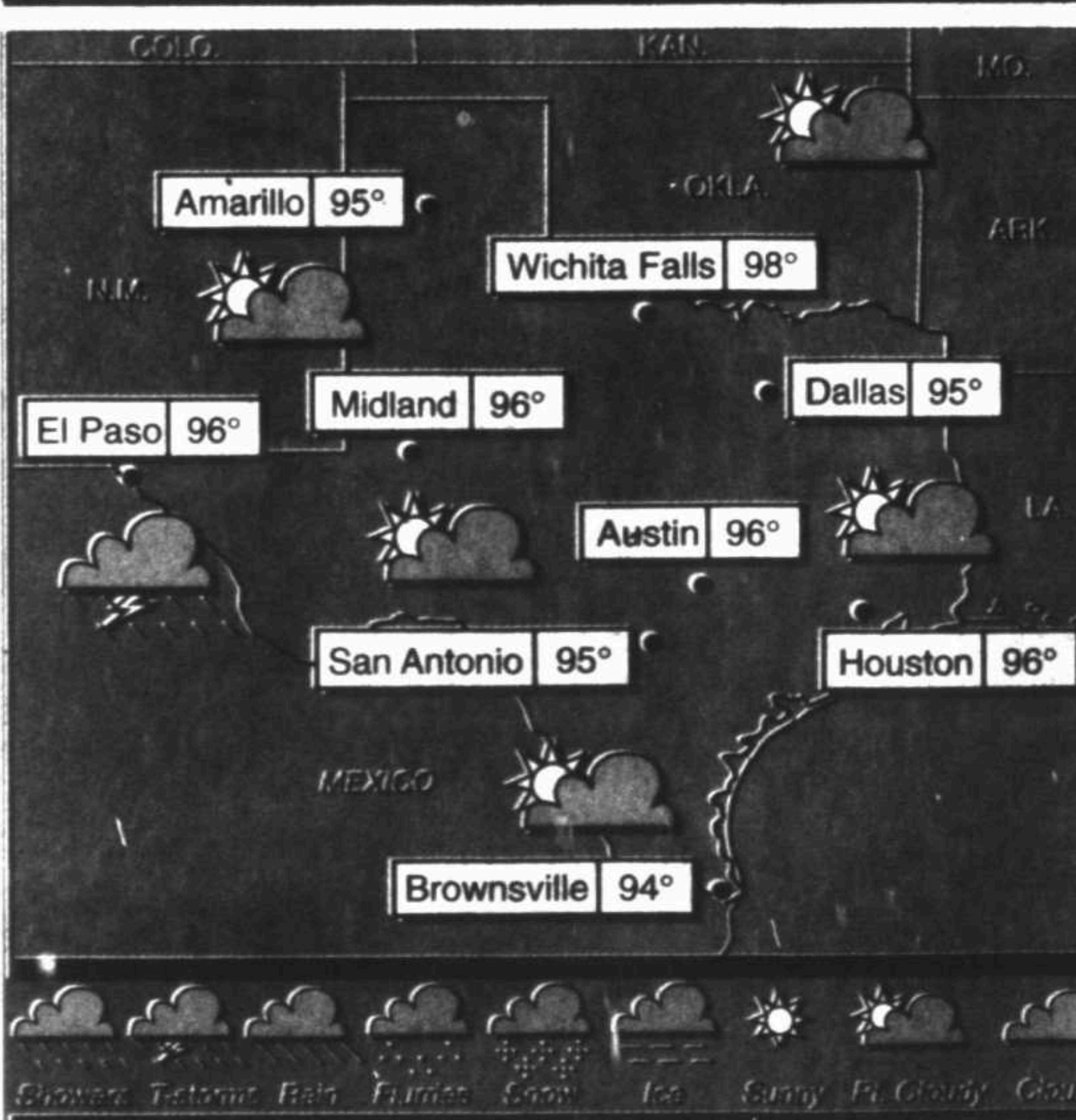
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United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:36 p.m. EDT

City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Albany, N.Y.	91	75	Omaha	93	77
Albuquerque	88	63	Little Rock	95	79
Anchorage	64	55	Los Angeles	76	68
Asheville	91	68	Memphis	91	77
Atlanta	91	74	Miami Beach	91	78
Atlanta City	96	75	Minneapolis	83	71
Baltimore	101	74	Mpls-St. Paul	81	61
Bilings	60	54	Nashville	93	77
Birmingham	93	75	New Orleans	94	80
Bismarck	64	58	New York City	96	75
Boston	83	56	Norfolk, Va.	96	78
Buffalo	81	71	North Platte	80	59
Burlington, Vt.	90	65	Omaha City	94	78
Casper	71	47	Orlando	92	75
Charleston, S.C.	92	75	Philadelphia	96	75
Charleston, W. Va.	90	73	Phoenix	101	85
Charlotte, N.C.	98	75	Pittsburgh	86	75
Cheyenne	74	54	Portland, Maine	91	64
Chicago	90	70	Portland, Ore.	91	60
Cincinnati	90	76	Providence	90	68
Cleveland	89	76	Raleigh-Durham	99	76
Columbia, S.C.	97	74	Rapid City	63	55
Columbus, Ohio	90	74	Reno	89	52
Concord, N.H.	92	66	Richmond	97	75
Dayton	91	76	Sacramento	82	60
Des Moines	77	59	St. Louis	96	80
Detroit	90	71	San Antonio	87	70
Duluth	58	56	San Diego	72	67
Evansville	91	78	San Francisco	74	61
Faribault	60	54	San Juan, P.R.	88	77
Fargo	66	58	Santa Fe	86	55
Flagstaff	75	50	Seattle	68	63
Grand Rapids	86	68	Shreveport	85	58
Great Falls	60	51	Sioux Falls	77	60
Greensboro, N.C.	94	73	Spokane	81	56
Hartford, Spfld.	93	70	Syracuse	90	70
Helena	64	52	Tampa-St. Ptsburg.	92	76
Honolulu	91	76	Topoka	94	77
Indianapolis	92	78	Tucson	95	76
Jackson, Miss.	94	75	Tulsa	93	81
Jacksonville	93	75	Washington, D.C.	102	78
Juneau	68	49	Wichita	95	75

State forecast



Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. CDT.

City	High	Low	Pcp
Abilene	100	77	
Alice	105	78	
Amarillo	94	65	
Arlington	98	78	
Austin	94	77	
Beaumont	92	80	0.01
Brownsville	96	80	
Burnet	96	78	
Childress	99	74	
College Station	98	77	
Correll	99	77	
Corpus Christi	99	81	
Constance	97	78	
Cotulla	103	79	
Dallas	100	81	
Del Rio	102	80	
Denton	99	78	
El Paso	95	74	
Fort Stockton	99	75	
Fort Worth	96	78	
Galveston	92	84	
Harrington	98	81	
Hondo	101	79	
Houston Hobby	95	79	
Houston Intercontinental	96	79	
Huntville	98	79	
Junction	100	78	
Kingville	95	79	
Laredo	104	81	
Lubbock	99	73	
McAllen	98	83	
Midland	100	81	
Mineral Wells	101	77	
New Braunfels	100	80	
Patterson	93	83	
Paris	93	77	
Rockport	92	82	
San Antonio	101	76	
San Angelo	95	79	
Shreveport, La.	95	77	
Tarrell	95	79	
Victoria	95	79	
Waco	99	80	

STRIKE: Union, UPS keep talking

(From 1A)

But the union's field services department held a teleconference with local officials across the country to begin coordinating a series of strike actions scheduled for next week.

And one person close to the discussions said that while there was more bargaining going on than in past meetings, it remained unclear whether a deal could be sealed or if the weekend's efforts would be a bust.

The talks were guided by federal mediator John Calhoun Wells, but Herman took an active role, remaining in the hotel where they were held and periodically joining the informal discussions.

Teamsters President Ron Carey, in his only public comments since the latest sessions began, said Friday that despite all the meetings, the two parties were no closer than when they began.

"I think the company is in the room more, as well as the union," Carey said. "But it has not brought about any solution; there are no agreements that have been reached."

Carey's comments appeared to surprise the company, which called a press conference to respond and then quickly canceled it.

The sticking points have been the union's demand for more full-time jobs at UPS, limits on subcontracting and increased wages. The union also opposes the com-

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pany's plan to withdraw from the Teamsters' multi-employer pension funds.

"The only way you can win that is on the picket lines and in the community," Carey said.

Nevertheless, a Labor Department official said that overnight, the parties stopped only for short, unannounced breaks for rest, and they seemed confident that some real bargaining was going on.

Carey urged local unions to begin working with community groups to build support for the pickets. He also announced that Thursday would be a national day of unity, with rallies in 30 cities to involve other working Americans in the Teamsters' fight.

Striking UPS driver Deborah Burdette-Phillips and her new husband Joel Phillips walk down the aisle Saturday after exchanging vows on the picket line in Anderson, S.C. Members of Local 28 hold up their picket signs as they walk past.

AP Photo



FATAL: Officials plan to seek certification to charge teen as adult

(From 1A)

charge, the code states, is a felony of the third degree.

Assistant County Attorney Diana Gallegos explained that the county attorney's office is handling all charges against DeLaO.

"Our case will only be on the driver. He was 16 at the time of the accident," Ms. Gallegos said, adding that an official petition has not been filed against the teen yet until the County Attorney's Office receives reports from DPS.

"That will be the accident report ... as well as all the information (pertinent) to that, such as the autopsy reports, blood-alcohol results ... things of that sort," she said. "We have not received a copy of any of the toxicology reports, autopsy report or formal accident report as far as I know. I know that the trooper who is investigating the case is working on that right now. I'm sure it will be coming to our office soon."

"We do anticipate that the reports will be in pretty quickly ... and we'll go ahead and seek certification," Ms. Gallegos said. "Since he was 16 at the time that it happened, although he is 17 now, he had to be handled as a juvenile (unless) he is certified."

However, DeLaO does not have to be certified as an adult to be arrested on criminal charges.

"We have the option of going ahead and arresting him at that time," Ms. Gallegos said. "That is certainly something we will think about."

Ms. Gallegos explained that there is not a bonding procedure in the juvenile justice system, and the process for detaining a suspect is much different from the adult jailing procedure.

The juvenile defendant, in general, is taken

before a juvenile court judge for a detention hearing.

"We would request that (the suspect) be detained for up to 10 working days," Ms. Gallegos said. "If we felt it was necessary, then we could always go back in front of the judge and ask for subsequent periods of detention."

The judge will base his decision on whether the defendant is receiving suitable supervision, the level and nature of his offense, and whether he or she is a danger to themselves or others.

"It will be up to the court to at that time to make a decision," Ms. Gallegos said.

Meanwhile, law enforcement officials probing the accident have gathered evidence indicating that Jose DeLaO drove his truck while he was intoxicated.

DPS officials told the Reporter-Telegram that DeLaO's blood/alcohol level was measured at 0.14. The Texas Penal Code states that the legal limit should not exceed 0.10.

Officials said that the blood sample hospital employees extracted from DeLaO might be subpoenaed as evidence for the case, and used for comparison with the DPS sample.

Meanwhile, the county attorney's office is assisting the DPS in collecting statements and investigating the case.

Officials also suspect that a residence at 6109 E. County Road 120 was the site of a party where DeLaO, a Midland High School junior, consumed liquor before operating his vehicle.

A civil lawsuit filed Monday in the 238th District Court alleges that defendants Billy and Tina Henkel "knowingly made their residence available for the purpose of furnishing, providing, or allowing the consumption of alcoholic beverages to persons who they knew or should have known were minors ... and would be departing from the defendant's residence in a motor vehicle."

DPS troopers on Aug. 3 executed a search

warrant at the Henkel residence, and said they discovered evidence that supports witnesses' accounts of what kind of alcohol was available at the party.

The lawsuit was filed by Secundino Lara Jr., the father of Esteban "Steve" Lara, through attorneys Jeffrey Hinkley and Frank G. Guineta. The Laras and accident survivor Jeremy Cruz are named as plaintiffs.

The same document alleges that DeLaO was speeding, disregarded a stop sign, and operated his vehicle while he was under the influence of alcohol.

The District Attorney's Office also is playing a role in examining the accident, Ms. Gallegos said.

District Attorney Al Schorre said that his office is in the process of filing criminal charges against the adults involved in the July 27 fatal accident.

DPS Trooper Don Williams said in a previous interview that persons who allegedly provided alcohol to the teen-agers could be charged with manslaughter or criminally negligent homicide, which are both felony offenses.

The case will be presented to the grand jury when the case has been prepared, Schorre said. There is a possibility that the case might not be ready by the panel's next meeting, he said.

According to the 1996 Uniform Crime Report, of the 85,329 persons arrested in Texas for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, only 0.2 percent of the offenders were juveniles, 16 or under. Approximately 88 percent of minors charged with DUI were males.

Coming Monday: Esteban Lara's mother, Gracie Lara, expresses grief at the loss of her son.

TEEN: State has to petition for transfer of child to criminal district court

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felony.

"What gets the ball rolling is the state's filing," Ms. Gallegos said. "They petition with the juvenile court to waive its exclusive jurisdiction and request that the juvenile court certify the child to stand trial as an adult. It's called a petition for transfer of a child to a criminal district court. So, we all refer to it as a certification, but it can also be called a transfer petition."

The prosecuting entity must take several issues into consideration before filing for a transfer petition.

"The things that we would look at are the age of the child, their history, previous attempts of rehabilitation in the juvenile system, aggravating factors of the offense, and the circumstances of the offense itself," Ms. Gallegos said. "There's not really any set guidelines that we go by; we just consider all of those things before we decide."

One of the requirements in the certification process is having the

suspect examined by a psychologist.

"Basically what that is, the court orders that the state obtain a complete diagnostic study, which is the psychological, social evaluation, a full investigation of the child, their circumstances ...," Ms. Gallegos said.

The purpose of the evaluation is to determine the sophistication and maturity of the child, whether he or she is able to aid his attorney in his defense, and if he or she is mentally competent to stand trial as an adult.

The evaluation also establishes if the child is mature enough to understand right from wrong, is as mature as a 17-year-old to understand and how he or she functions.

"Basically, all of those are materials that the judge will consider in making his decision on certification. A judge with juvenile court would make the decision."

All of this is done before the hearing. The child and his attorney are entitled to 10-day notice before the hearing is scheduled. The reports are available to the courts once the proceeding starts, Ms.

Gallegos said.

"Typically, what we do at a certification hearing, is we put the detectives who work the case (on the stand) ... someone who has a broad overview of the case, has looked at the reports, is familiar with the circumstances, and can testify to the courts as to what the circumstances of the crime are, and why we believe the child committed the offense," Ms. Gallegos said.

In cases where there are previous offenses, the probation officer testifies about the referral history of the child, previous attempts at rehabilitation, and the likelihood of rehabilitating the child with the facilities that are currently available in the juvenile justice system.

"We put on ... different types of proof to help the court make a decision," Ms. Gallegos said. "Typically, in all of the certification hearings that I have been involved with, (the judge) has listened to the state's evidence, considered the written report, then will consider whatever evidence that the child and their attorney present ... and usually makes his

decision there.

"If the child is certified, then he is remanded to the custody of the Sheriff's Office, handcuffed, and taken to jail and processed just like you would an adult."

There have been cases when a psychologist testifies that the defendant is not capable of standing trial as an adult.

"It happens rarely, but it has happened on occasion," Ms. Gallegos said.

The process, depending on the circumstances of the crime and the evidence to be gathered, could take from three to four weeks.

"It's not like a trial at all. It's just that we have to present enough to get us to the probable cause level," Ms. Gallegos explained. "The judge (decides if) certification for this child is in the best interest of the public and of the child."

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New law sends accountants, tax preparers scrambling

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress and the White House may have wrapped up their work on the tax bill, but the job is just beginning for thousands of accountants and IRS employees who must make sense of the hundreds of tweaks and changes to the tax code.

"It's going to be a major year for tax service providers," said Arthur Bowman of Bowman's Accounting Report, an Atlanta-based newsletter.

Over the past few weeks, the Washington offices of the nation's major accounting firms kicked into high gear, with staffers pulling late-night and weekend hours to gather details of the \$152 billion tax-cut package bill from congressional Internet pages and clandestine faxes from Capitol Hill sources.

They scoured the fine print to divine new tax-saving strategies

for clients and develop guides for their own workers about the tax bill's impact.

"If anything, the language in this is more arcane than anything I have ever seen," said Doug Walkman, assistant vice president for education at H&R Block, which has 8,500 offices nationwide.

Ironically, the major accounting firms may not see a large surge of business, since their clientele might be too rich to benefit from the bulk of the tax breaks, such as the \$500 per child tax credit for middle-income families.

"Since our clients are mostly wealthy, a lot of the provisions don't affect them," said Tom Ochenschlager, a tax partner at Grant Thornton in Washington. "This particular bill has a lot less in it for our clients than previous bills."

Instead, Bowman and others believe the law could be a boon for smaller tax preparers, such as H&R Block.

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Arafat rejects Netanyahu demands for cooperation

NABLUS, West Bank (AP) — Rejecting Israeli demands for more security cooperation, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat said Saturday that his people would rather give up progress made under the 1993 Oslo peace accords than knuckle under to Israeli economic pressure.

Arafat told a gathering of Palestinian intellectuals and journalists in Nablus that Israel's economic sanctions are a declaration of war "in order to humiliate the Palestinian people, starve the Palestinian people and make them kneel."

"This Palestinian people will not kneel to anyone but God," he said. "This siege will not break us."

Arafat warned that Palestinians were prepared to return to the hardships of the years prior to the signing of the Oslo accords.

"We are willing to wipe it all out and start anew," he said.

After a double suicide bombing July 30 that killed 16 people in a market in Jerusalem, Israel closed its borders with the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, blocking 100,000 Palestinian workers from reaching their jobs in Israel.

Israel also stopped paying an estimated \$40 million in Palestinian tax revenues to the Palestinian Authority, making it difficult for Arafat to meet his government's payroll.

Arafat said Saturday the suspension of payments was "theft of our funds" and demanded that the sanctions be lifted unconditionally.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has said the sanctions will not be lifted until Arafat takes tough action against Islamic militants, who Israeli authorities believe are responsible for the July 30 bombing.

After four days of intensive shuttling between Arafat and Netanyahu this week, U.S. envoy Dennis Ross returned to Washington, saying he was optimistic that security cooperation between Israel and the Palestinians had been restored and that Netanyahu would soon lift the sanctions.

But so far there has been little movement from either side.

Palestinian police did cooperate with Israeli forces on Saturday to find the body of an Israeli taxi driver in Palestinian-controlled Jericho. Palestinian police arrested three men, who were sentenced to long prison terms later in the day for the slaying.

Israeli officials — including Public Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani — praised the cooperation of the Palestinians and Arafat called it an example of how the peace accords were working.

But Netanyahu spokesman David Bar-Ilan said catching three armed robbers was "not the same as destroying the infrastructure of the terrorist organizations."

During his speech Saturday, Arafat recalled the Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and Gaza Strip between 1987 and 1993 and Israel's siege of Beirut in 1982.

Restitution helps fuel Jewish revival in Poland

KRAKOW, Poland (AP) — With the fond eye of memory, Rafael Scharf traces the landscape of his youth in the Krakow neighborhood of Kazimierz: prayer house here, Torah study hall there, streets echoing with the voices of 60,000 Jews.

The vibrant community of shopkeepers and scholars, children and parents, was silenced by Nazi deportations, murder and postwar flight to Israel, the United States and elsewhere. Today, only about 200 people in Krakow call themselves Jews.

Most of the hundreds of synagogues, prayer houses, schools and social service centers of Scharf's childhood still stand, but long ago they were confiscated by the Nazis and then by communists.

Little by little, though, new life is returning to the old country. Across Eastern Europe, Jews — some backed by new legislation — are reclaiming lost property.

The Jewish quarter of Kazimierz has been revived, but less for the benefit of local Jews than for tourists and entrepreneurs banking on the neighborhood's erstwhile fame as a Jewish center.

Travelers can imagine life as Scharf knew it by visiting the renovated synagogues and kosher-style restaurants. They enjoy folk bands playing klezmer — even though the musicians are non-Jews.

Half a century after the Holocaust and several years after the fall of communism, the region from Poland to Bulgaria has no more than 175,000 Jews. Poland alone once had 3.5 million. Scharf, himself, left Krakow in 1938.

Considering the sparse Jewish population, the opportunity for Jews to recover hundreds of properties raises troubling questions.

"To whom should the property be given?" asked Scharf, an 82-year-old writer now living in London. "And for what purpose?"

How much is reasonable for small Jewish communities to ask for? Anti-Jewish sentiments are largely in check in the region, but never far below the surface. How far can restitution go before it spurs new anti-Semitism?

Jews aren't the only ones seeking lost property. Across Eastern Europe, governments, religious and social organizations, and individuals are grappling with the issue of restitution for property confiscated by communists.

Restitution of the estimated 17,000 formerly



Diners sit outside at Cafe Ariel in Krakow, Poland June 10. The restaurant-hotel in Krakow's old Jewish quarter of Kazimierz attracts tourists in search of the remnants of Poland's once-vibrant Jewish community.

Jewish properties across the region is more complicated. Such real estate changed owners not once, but twice. And diminished Jewish congregations can't come close to filling the institutions they stand to recover.

Regained communal property could be used to house revitalized Jewish institutions or rented for income to help pay teachers in Jewish schools, purchase books for libraries, or buy paints and clay for art workshops in Jewish community centers.

Peter Feldmajer, head of Hungary's Federation of Jewish Communities, said the answer on how to use such benefits depends on where Jews envision themselves in the future.

"If we see Jews as having a future only in Israel, then certain things follow — for instance, where the restitution proceeds should be used," Feldmajer said. "If we see the Jews as being in Hungary for a good long time, then the restitution for Jewish community property should be here in Hungary."

Until recently, Jewish communities focused on supporting impoverished elderly and providing kosher products to Orthodox Jews. Before that, the priority was emigration.

"We'll never see the kind of community that existed here between the two world wars," Feldmajer said. "But we think that the Hun-

garian Jewish community could flourish ... so that our main problem isn't keeping people on the edge of existence, but rather developing a self-sustaining and proud Jewish community."

New schools have opened, funded by former U.S. Ambassador Ronald Lauder's foundation for supporting Jewish life in Eastern Europe. Cultural festivals have blossomed, and some who denied their Jewish heritage, or discovered it only recently, have begun to return to the Jewish fold.

Budapest is home to a gleaming new Jewish community center, Balint House. Krakow's Center for Jewish Culture, in a light-filled, renovated prayer house, sponsors lectures, exhibits and an annual summer academy run jointly with U.S. universities. The spectrum of Jewish life has opened wide.

"Here in Poland, it wasn't important whether you kept up Jewish tradition. It was enough not to go in a Christian direction," said Jakub Rympl, a 28-year-old physiotherapist who eschewed religious services where most of the congregation was elderly.

Now he can drop into the Krakow cultural center for lectures and exhibits. Or he can study Hebrew and the liturgy with a young rabbi. Taking part in Jewish life is "becoming normal," Rympl said.

Much of the tentative rebirth that has occurred so far has been funded with foreign money. But that, too, has its price. Some of the region's Jewish leaders think outside organizations, led by the Jerusalem-based World Jewish Restitution Organization, or WJRO, are pushing too hard on restitution and other issues, and risk a backlash.

Regional leaders want to build their own communities in their own ways, using their own money — making the issue of property very important.

"The WJRO says everything that was Jewish has to be Jewish, but there's 50 years in between. You have to proceed moderately," said Tomas Kraus, the head of the Czech Federation of Jewish Communities. "Our strategy was to ask what's possible to get."

The Czech Jewish community has recovered half of the 202 properties it requested. The rest were put beyond reach by privatization, but Kraus said negotiations with the government would begin soon on compensation.

Many Chinese happily break one child rule

DAZU, China (NYT) — At the end of a summer's day, as a dusky light tinged the old wooden stools scattered around his open doorway, Li Feng gazed affectionately at his young daughter and son playing outside.

"I wanted at least two children," said Li, a soft-faced man whose work at a thriving cement-maker down the road now fills his day, and his pocket. "For eight years, we only had one. Now, if you can afford the fine, you can have an extra child."

Like untold millions of other parents, Li and his wife, Chu Lan-ping, are bending the rules of population control in China by having a second child. As townspeople, they were supposed to be content with one, but a little determination and a little more cash now win permission from local officials for one more.

In many parts of China, the one-child policy is melting away. The country's strict population control program, begun in the late 1970s and by no means gone, is becoming significantly looser in many places because — as with so much in China today — relentless economic growth is eroding the old system of control over ordinary people's lives, creating loopholes large and small.

Rather than spurring an explosive increase in the country's overall population, however, economic growth seems also to be reducing the number of children born to millions of other families, as they break out of the poverty that has traditionally encouraged child-bearing.

For every family like the Lis that has two children instead of one, there are other families in the countryside choosing to have two children instead of, say, five, and urban couples who are having none at all.

China's total population of 1.22 billion, the largest in the world, appears to be growing steadily each year at just over 1 percent, or about 13 million, and officials express confidence that they will stay well within their target of 1.3 billion by 2000. At the same time, demographers say that an unknown number of births go uncounted, leaving official statistics slightly unreliable.

In the past, local family-planning goals were sometimes enforced brutally. Forced abortions and sterilizations, while not the norm, were frequently reported in the early 1980s, especially in small villages where a local official wanted to show who was in charge.

It is that image of China that has provoked strong objection from religious and political groups in the United States, where thousands of Chinese apply for political asylum each year by asserting that being limited to one child is a form of political persecution.

Yet the worst excesses of local officials seem to have diminished in recent years, and millions of Chinese who want multiple children are now having them.

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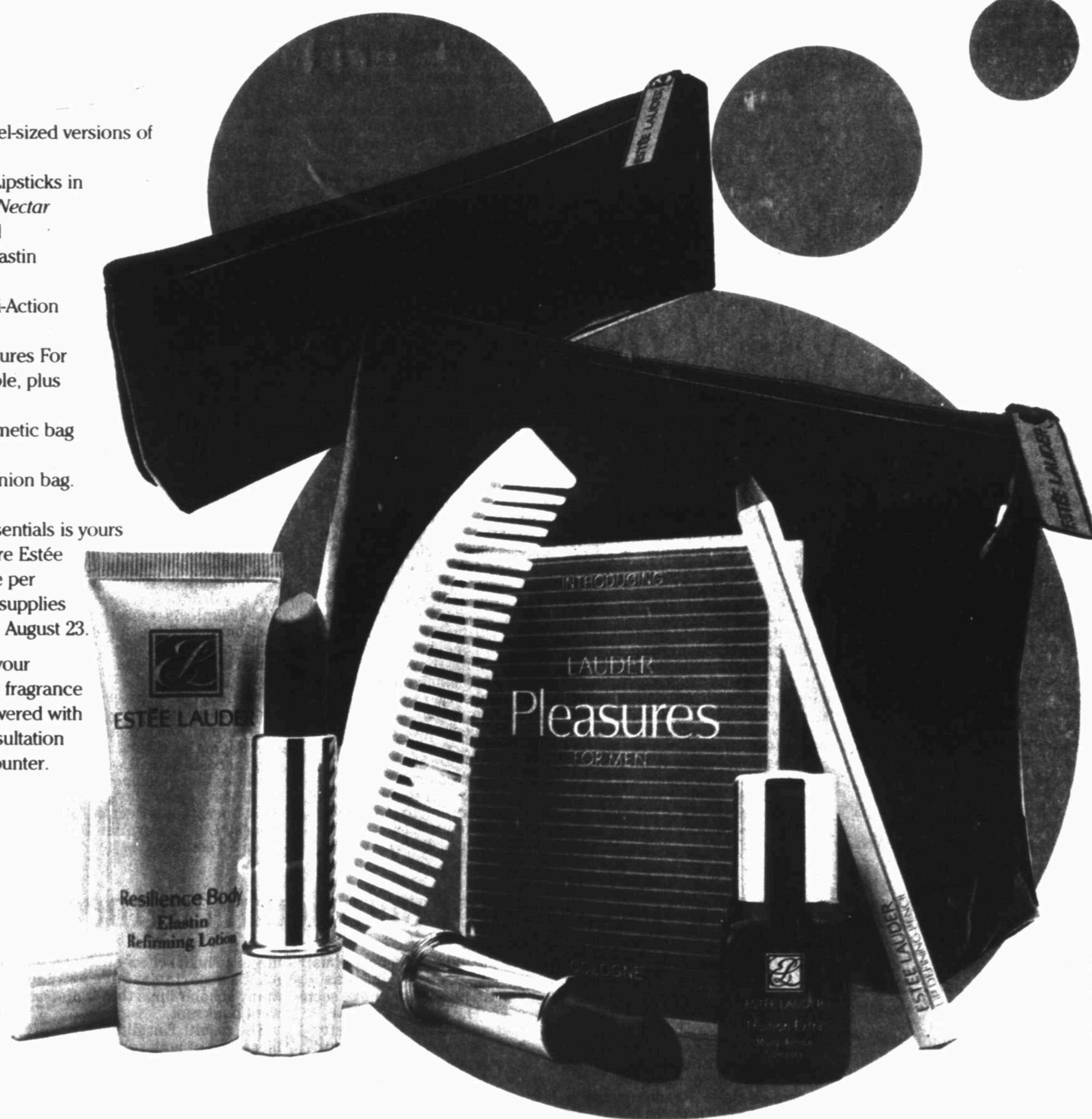
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Oscar Galindo, left, and Noe Marichalar, roughnecks with JSM Drilling Co., work together under the drilling rig floor, to nipple up a blowout preventer on a rig in the Spraberry Field south of Midland, Texas, in May 1997.

Natural-gas reefs generate rush of activity in E. Texas

By Melissa Williams
Associated Press

ATHENS — Nearly 70 years after the great oil strikes that transformed East Texas from a hard-scrabble farming area into a mother lode of oil wealth, natural gas formations called Cotton Valley pinnacle reefs are renewing activity in parts of a region whose better days seemed past.

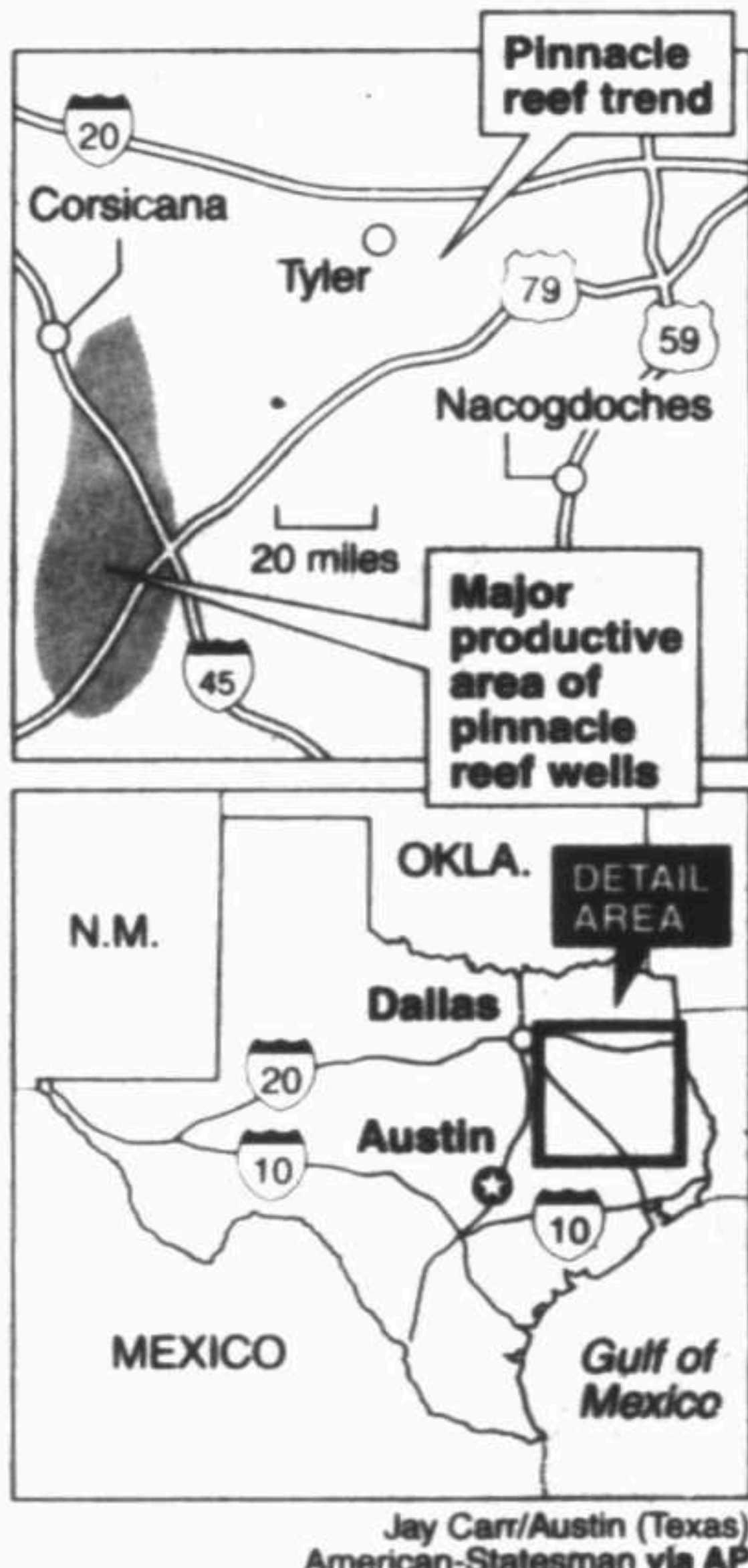
"It's definitely a play that's revitalized exploration in the whole East Texas basin," says Scott L. Montgomery, a petroleum consultant in Seattle who has studied the area. "It's brought attention to areas that were previously deemed past their prime."

Pinnacle reefs, named for their characteristic spire shape rising from a large base, formed in the seas that covered the region during the dinosaur-friendly Jurassic Period 180 million years ago. Their depth — 2 to 3 miles down — and skyscraper-like shape makes them hot, overpressured, hard to find and expensive to drill, with wells costing \$1.5 million to \$5 million apiece.

But the rewards can be colossal. A successful pinnacle reef well produces at least 12 billion cubic feet of gas over its lifetime, and the best ones produce upward of 40 billion.

These days, one billion cubic feet of natural gas is worth about \$1 million after operating expenses, royalties and taxes. Good wells can generate \$50,000 per day after expenses.

The high returns have made feasible the use of a technology called three-dimensional seismic surveying, in which workers map out grids covering hundreds



of square miles, then drop explosives into holes drilled along the grid and record the vibrations. The process generates three-dimensional computer-driven sketches of rock formations far beneath the earth's surface.

Brad Bacon, project manager for seismic surveyor Schlumberger Geco-Prakla, concedes the process is expensive — amounting to tens of thousands of dollars per square mile. But surveyors and drillers alike say 3-D dramatically increases the odds of puncturing one of the elusive reefs.

A few gas wells drilled around Robertson, Leon and Freestone counties in the early 1980s yielded impressive results, but their owners didn't realize what kind of structures they had hit and had trouble replicating their outcomes.

HELP: Oil patch could absorb 5,000 qualified workers, TRC says

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tors to keep decent help on board.

A driller making \$13.75 hourly early last year can rake in \$16.40 nowadays, Pace said. He added that some of the hands' paychecks exceed his when FWA's \$40 daily safety incentive is included.

Industry experts say demand-driven pay increases may benefit workers in the short term, but excessive costs for labor and equipment could stifle the industry's recent rebound.

"When (contractors) raise prices more, many people are going to slow down or stop their drilling," said Clayton Williams Jr., also of Midland, who estimates his drilling costs have jumped as much as 14 percent in recent months.

"Typical of the industry, by the time we get people in and get them trained, we won't need them anymore."

Gary Flaherty, who monitors the industry for Houston-based Baker Hughes Inc., agreed. He said that of current shortages of drill pipe, rigs and workers, "rigs and crews will be the more difficult ones to get around."

The Texas Railroad Commission estimates the oil patch could absorb about 5,000 qualified workers now that fields are alive with activity again.

Most blame the 1986 bust for driving too many good workers into other industries. Others



AP Photo
John Pace, operations administrator with FWA Drilling Co., stands next to a drilling rig in the company's Midland yard in Jan. 1997. The company has had to turn down work because of the lack of experienced workers to operate the equipment.

blame a breakdown in the American work ethic.

"Part of it goes back to the parents," said Wayne Davis, a lifelong oilman who runs the Texas Engineering Extension Service's oilfield training center in Abilene. "Some of the boys who worked his tail off for 20 to 30 years doesn't want his kids to struggle."

Abilene wrecker service owner Mitch Wilson is an oilfield

worker's son who worked rigs himself for 16 years before switching gears after the bust. He briefly returned to the fields when the new surge began, but not for long.

"I enjoyed the money from the oilfield, and I enjoy what I'm doing now," said Wilson, 37. "Sometimes the money is just as good. Sometimes it's not."

Like his father, Wilson learned the oilfield trade on the job

alongside veterans of an earlier generation. Others pursued more formal avenues like Davis' Rig Crew Training Program, the nation's only roughneck school when it opened in 1981. Back then, at the crest of the oil boom, interest was so high that applicants "locked down" the area's phone system, Davis said.

About 1,200 hands graduated over the next five years, before the bust idled the program. The Gulf War and resulting rise in oil prices prompted classes to resume in 1990, only to stop again three years ago.

The school's doors have been shut since.

Davis has been unable to find funding because government statistics curiously list rig work as a "non-demand" occupation, he said. Extension service executive Bob Prock hopes a deal with the prison system could be worked out to train selected parolees.

"The oil industry doesn't care what you did in the past. It cares what you do in the future," Prock said from his College Station office.

Despite the promises of high wages and steady work, many like Wilson are committed to sticking to their post-bust jobs.

"A lot of people who were in the oilfield when it did close down found something else to do," said Wilson. "They're not going to quit a solid job."

SURGE: 'Good old fashioned-demand' for oil, gas drives industry

(From 1A)

its post-1986 slide appears to be history.

"The wisdom at our firm is that we're in the beginning of a cycle — not anywhere near the end," says Ben Guill, managing director of Simmons & Co., a Houston investment bank specializing in the oil-services industry.

The reasons are fundamental, he says: This time, unlike in the early 80s, "the cycle's being driven by good old-fashioned demand for oil and gas, not by expectations of high commodity prices."

Matthew Simmons, president of the firm, says surging demand in the former Soviet Union and the rapidly industrializing Far East are pressuring worldwide oil supplies at the same time the exploration and drilling infrastructure has shrunk and reserves are dwindling.

Over the next five years, he predicts that worldwide oil demand will climb by 10 million barrels a day at the same time supplies decline by the same amount. The result: a daily shortfall of 20 million barrels by the year 2001.

Prices of both oil and gas reflect the trend. According to a recent Arthur Andersen study of the biggest petroleum companies, average U.S. wellhead natural gas prices increased 45 percent from 1995 to 1996. Average U.S. industry-wide wellhead oil prices rose 26 percent from 1995 to 1996, essentially the highest since 1985 except for 1990 when prices spiked during the Gulf War. The price of a barrel of West Texas Intermediate crude, while slipping in recent weeks, entered territory unseen since 1990 by hitting \$25 in January.

To small operators like TEC Well Services, the improvements mean enough new activity over the past two years to justify buying four more used oil rigs at \$250,000 apiece. Shore and his parents, Grace and Ronald Shore, now have nine rigs for lease to service problem oil wells, and expect to top out at 10. Their main problem is finding manpower to work the rigs.

For bigger operators like

Union Pacific Resources Group, it means a projected \$250 million to be spent just in eastern and southern Texas this year on exploration and production activities like lease acquisition, three-dimensional seismic studies and drilling. That compares with \$100 million last year.

Unlike some companies that moved overseas for bigger pickings when oil prices bottomed out in the 80s, Union Pacific Resources stuck around and that has paid off, says company spokesman Mike Liebschwager.

"We're focused on rates of return, not necessarily on projects that have very long lead times in areas that have political risk to them," he says. "Our track record has been successful here."

Overall domestic capital spending by the 39 biggest oil and gas companies — 13 majors and 26 independents — rose 16 percent to \$19.4 billion last year, the Andersen study found.

The growth reflects the strengthening of the U.S. economy, which has triggered higher demand for oil products. Demand has been especially strong for petrochemicals, the building blocks for many manufactured goods.

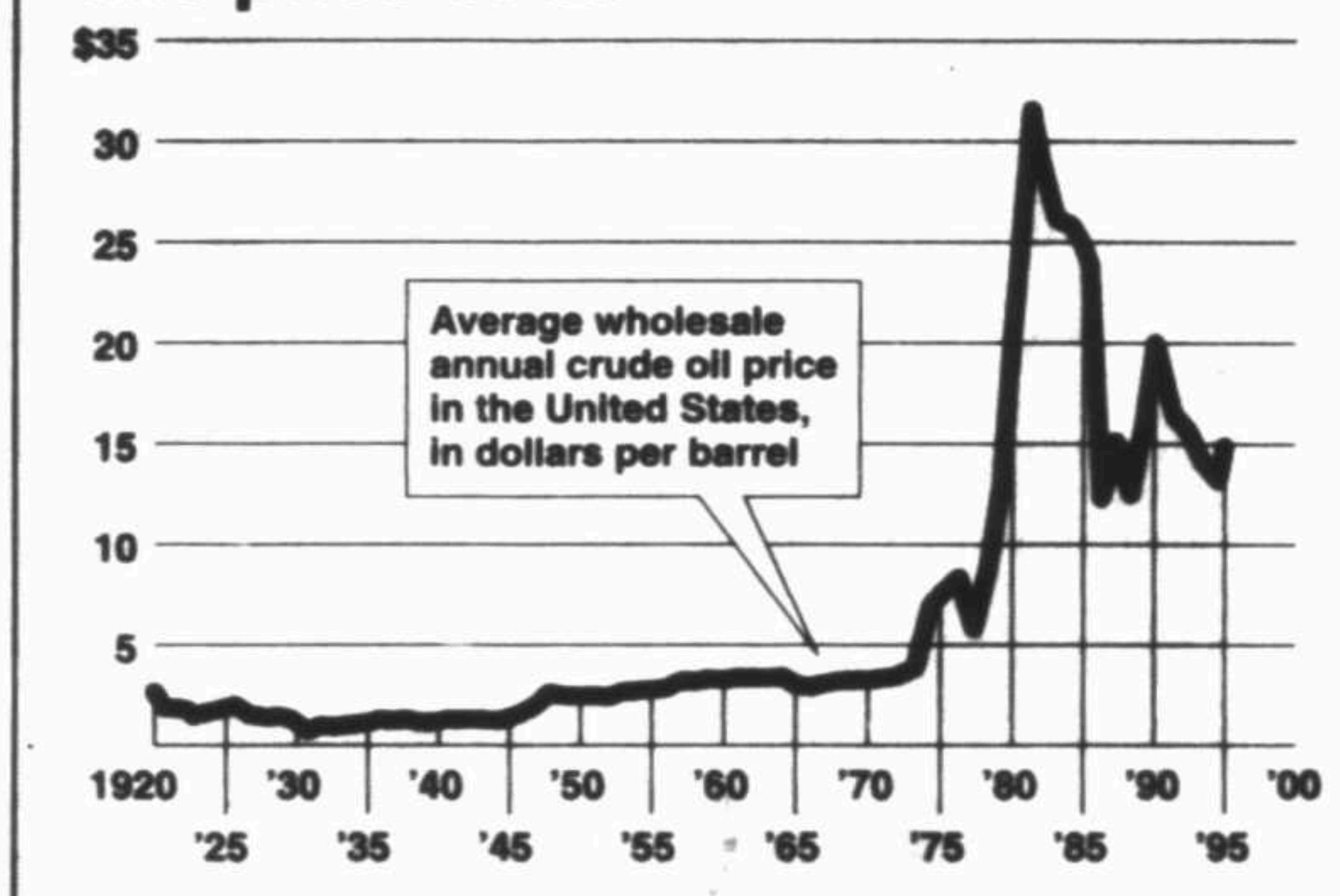
But the biggest reason for the rise in capital spending is lower costs that make profits possible even at \$16 or \$17 a barrel.

After the oil price crash of 1986 and again in the early 90s, oil companies streamlined corporate structures and slashed costs, partly through layoffs that helped drain 500,000 jobs from the domestic industry.

At the same time, the technology for finding and extracting oil and gas dramatically improved. New chemicals, variations on horizontal drilling, updated forms of a type of pipe called coiled tubing that eases servicing of problem wells — all now factor into decisions on whether and how to proceed.

"There's been a lot of progress in reducing operating costs and capital costs to drill wells, build facilities and then operate those facilities," notes Steve McVeigh, chief operating officer of Altura Energy Ltd., a Permian Basin-oriented company owned by

The price of oil



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Shell and Amoco. "It has given us a lot more confidence about going forward with long-term enhanced oil-recovery projects."

By far the biggest impact is coming from three-dimensional seismic surveying, which maps underground formations in previously unavailable detail. Accompanied by new deepwater drilling methods, 3-D seismic is producing impressive results in the Gulf of Mexico, where companies are finding oil that only a few years ago lay hidden beneath massive layers of salt or in waters once considered too deep for development.

Forty-one discoveries have been made in depths greater than 1,500 feet, with the potential for more than 3.5 billion barrels of new oil, industry executives say. Until recently, most oil wells in the Gulf were drilled at depths of several hundred feet.

Three-dimensional seismic also is helping companies find new deposits in West Texas' hard-rock reservoirs and better determine what enhanced techniques will recover the most remaining oil.

In East Texas, 3-D seismic is fomenting a boomlike rush on natural gas formations known as Cotton Valley pinnacle reefs. Interest is so keen, says oilman Kris Perryman of Athens, that a few months ago landmen doing title work at the Henderson

County courthouse nearly broke into a fistfight over who would get key documents next.

"It's gotten into a fever pitch in the last two years," he says.

In the Cotton Valley reef structures, 3-D seismic is considered critical because of the depth and relatively small size of the gas formations: no more than 80 acres big, as much as 20,000 feet down. Without the details of the 3-D survey, finding one is like aiming at a pond from an airliner in the dark, Perryman says.

How long will the industry's good news last? While experts like Guill say macroeconomic factors should favor the foreseeable future, at least a few oilmen worry that recent demand-driven price increases for labor and equipment could short-circuit the upswing.

Back in White Oak, the Shores are minding their expectations as well as their business. Like other industry long-timers, they're calling the recent upturn anything but that four-letter word beginning with B.

"It's not a boom — it's an improvement," Grace Shore insists. "It's not like the early 80s when things were just crazy."

"Our customers are willing to spend a little more money than they were two years ago — but they're cautious."

Oilfield 'miniboom' spurs need for petroleum engineers

By Michelle Koldin
Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION — Growing up in a small north Texas town in the 1980s, John Petty heard some miserable fate of some petroleum engineers: They were stuck driving cabs in New York City.

He was told solar energy was on the way in and oil and gas on the way out.

Nevertheless, when Petty was offered a scholarship in 1993 to study petroleum engineering at Texas A&M University, he accepted, figuring that at some point he'd switch his major to the more predictable chemical engineering and still keep his scholarship.

But Petty got hooked on the subject while working on a rig in Abilene. And now, a year away from graduation, the 24-year-old is confident the oil business is

making a comeback.

"I'm not worried at all that in the 40 to 50 years I'll be looking for a new job," he said.

Recent numbers back him up. Administrators at the big U.S. petroleum engineering schools are boasting 100 percent job placement rates. Graduates are starting at \$45,000 to \$50,000 a year, competing with chemical engineers for the highest starting pay among engineers.

The concern nowadays is producing enough graduates to satisfy industry needs.

"The amount of new blood coming in — both petroleum engineering as well as geosystems — is way too low to meet the projected demand," says Mark Papa, president of the Houston-based Enron Oil & Gas Co.

Noting that petroleum engineering enrollment consistently

follows the industry's boom-bust cycles, Papa adds: "This is as tight a job market as I have seen since '68. The people who are graduating can get some pretty strong offers and a lot of them."

"It's a real buyer's market," agrees A&M's associate professor Tom Blasingame.

Word apparently has not spread to high school seniors choosing a college major. After the 1982-83 enrollment peak, a saturated job market and the 1986 oil collapse sent enrollments at major petroleum engineering schools tumbling by a factor of 10. Since then, the numbers have remained steady or risen only slightly overall.

A&M, which has the largest petroleum engineering department in the nation, and Texas Tech fought back. Both hired recruiters at the beginning of the decade who fervently touted the

major to high school students. A&M's department gave away so many scholarships that it almost went bankrupt.

The result: Enrollment increased at both schools. But the surge was temporary.

During the 1990-91 school year, 536 undergraduates, including 343 freshmen, were studying petroleum engineering at A&M. By the fall of 1996, the total had slid to 213, with only 38 freshmen. Texas Tech's enrollment skidded from 135 undergrads in 1991 to 95 in 1996.

"We're having to battle the image of the petroleum as a dying dinosaur," says Johnita Greer, business manager at Texas Tech.

Educators are hoping that reports of a turnaround — what Juvkam-Wold and Papa call a "miniboom" — driven by high



AP Photo
Texas A&M petroleum engineering student John Petty, shown in College Station, will stick with the oil business. The business is now providing graduates in the field with lucrative job offers as opposed to recent years past when word was the oil biz was bust.

technology, extensive restructuring and price stabilization near \$20 a barrel will attract enough students to help the industry overcome a lack of trained personnel.

"For many years, the biggest

challenge faced by (exploration and production) companies was one of survival, and I think now that challenge has changed to one of how to manage growth," he says. "And to grow you have to have the right people."

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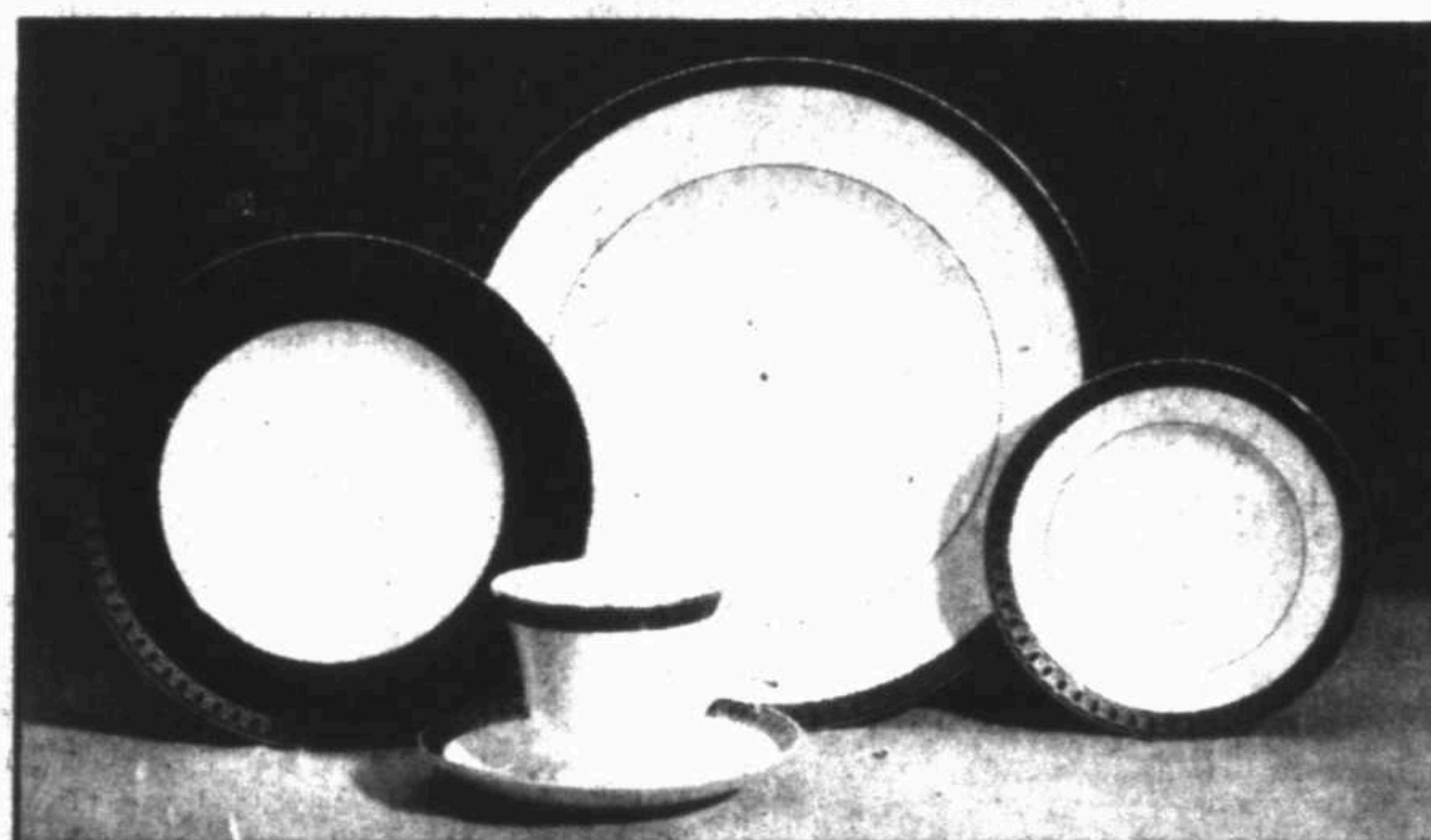
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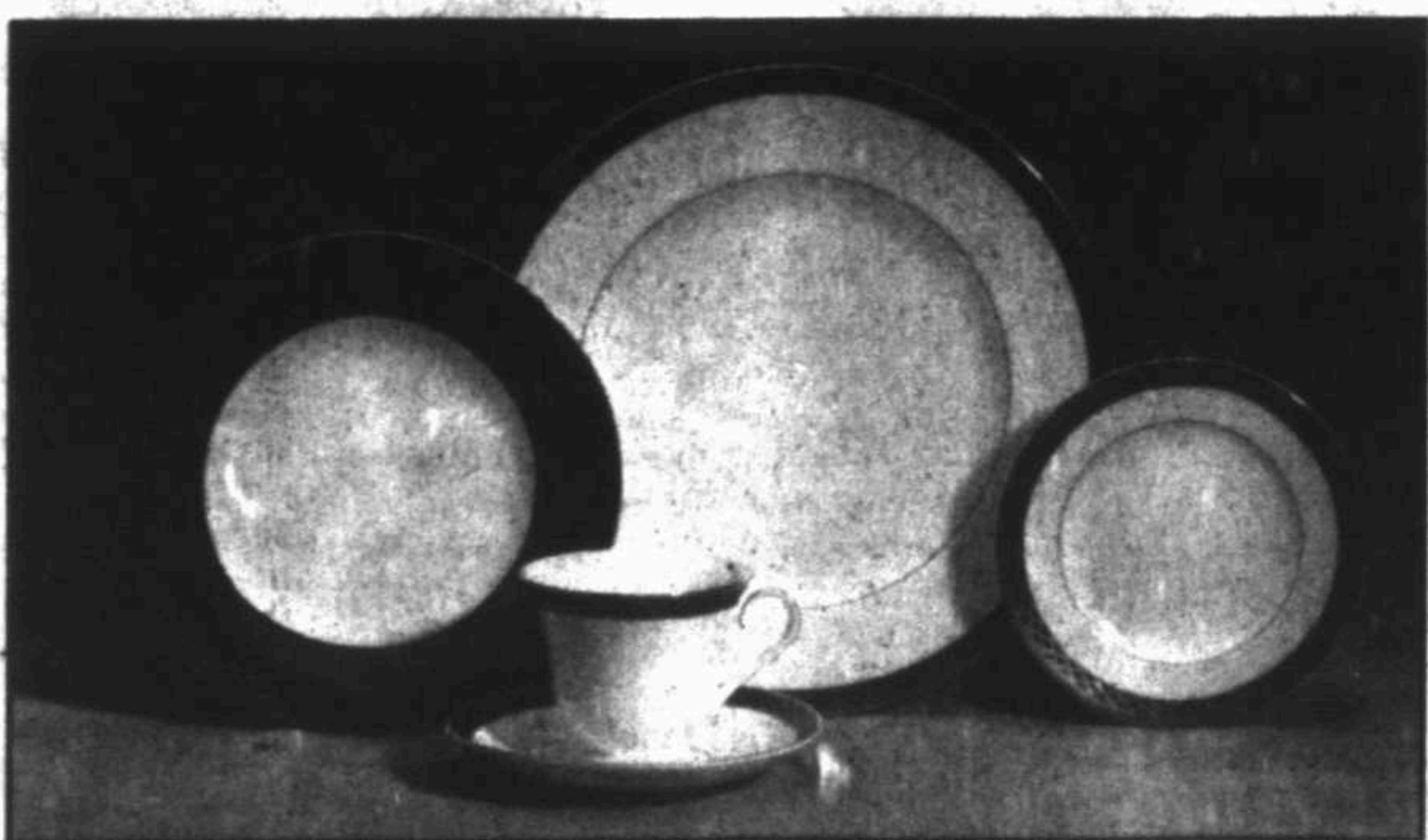
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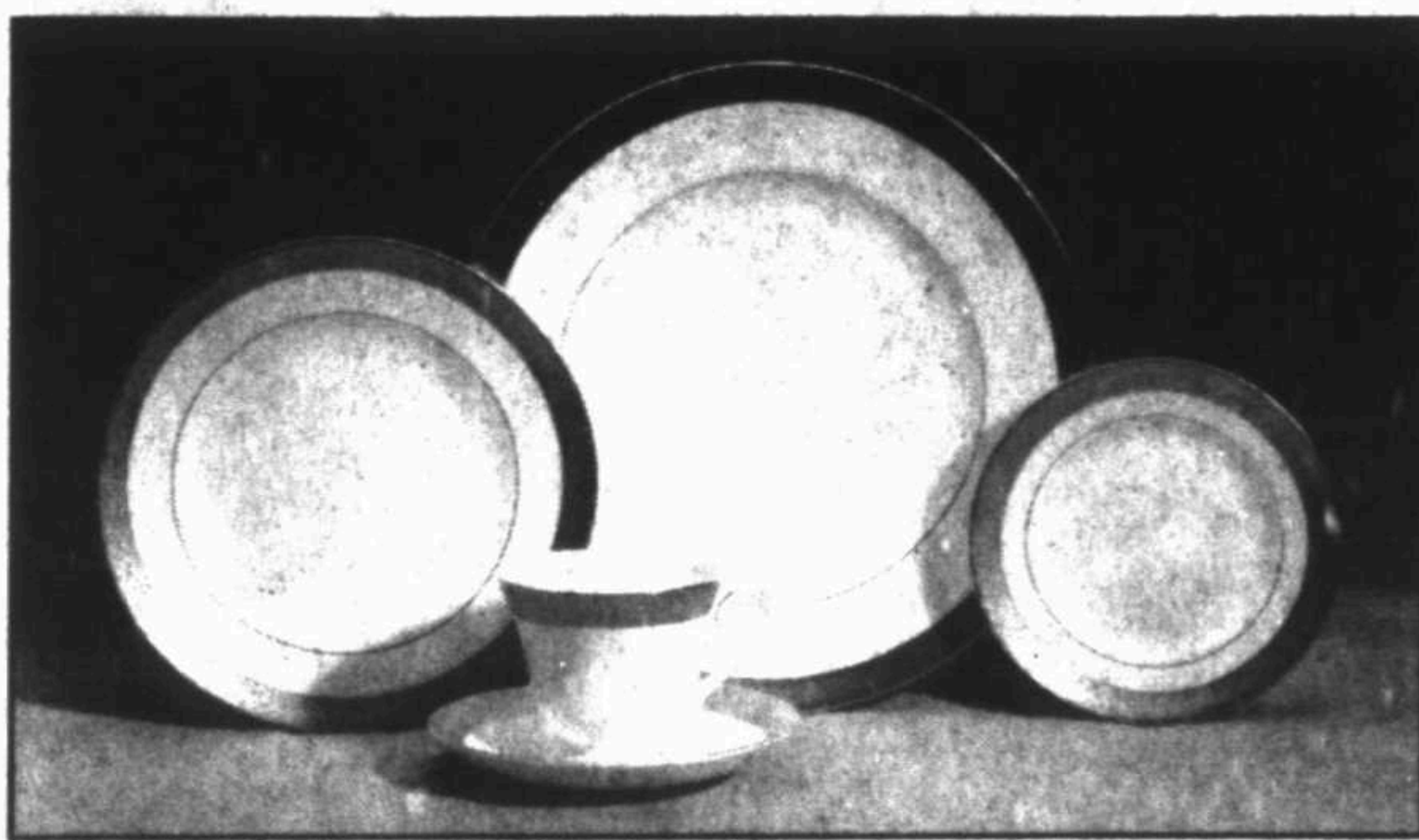
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Mir cosmonauts bitterly defend their honor

MOSCOW (AP) — To those who blame the Mir's former crew for the calamities, the cosmonauts had a bitter response Saturday. The battered station remains in orbit only because they risked their lives to save it.

In fact, Vasily Tsibilyev and Alexander Lazutkin said they remained on board during three crises even though flight manuals told them to abandon ship.

"We didn't even think about abandoning the station and running away," said Tsibilyev, the mission's commander.

In an exceptionally candid account of their ill-starred mission, the two described their fear and determination to stay aboard the spacecraft through a series of crises, including a fire and a near-fatal crash.

"And they didn't try to hide their offense at what they called unfair criticism back on Earth."

"Many people would have liked us to come back dead," Tsibilyev suggested, his voice strained with emotion.

President Boris Yeltsin was among the critics, saying earlier this month that Mir's collision with a cargo ship in June was apparently the result of human

error — presumably Tsibilyev's. Tsibilyev was visibly hurt when asked about the president's remarks during a news conference at the cosmonaut training center in Star City, a town outside Moscow.

"It has been a long-time tradition here in Russia to look for scapegoats," he said. "Of course, it is easier to put all the blame on the crew. But in this case, there is no specific person to blame."

Space officials, who flanked cosmonauts at the table, quickly intervened, saying that Yeltsin could have meant that mission controllers, not the crew, were to blame. They noted that the president sent congratulations to the crew upon their return.

Tsibilyev and Lazutkin refused to give concrete answers about who or what may be responsible for specific accidents, saying a government commission will make that determination.

But they offered an often hair-raising account of their mission, which they described as rocky from the beginning to the end.

"It all began from the very start of the mission, and not because we were bunglers," Tsibilyev said. "If we indeed had been bunglers, we would have come back on Feb. 23,

right after the fire, because flight instructions ordered us to instantly leave the station."

Russian space officials downplayed the blaze at the time, calling it a "micro-fire" that did not threaten the crew.

When Mir's cooling system began leaking antifreeze and overheated the station to 86 degrees, Mission Control also said the situation was unpleasant but not dangerous for the crew.

But, according to Tsibilyev, the flight manual contradicted the official optimism, ordering the crew to evacuate the station if they were unable to fix the thermal control system quickly. It took the crew three months to locate and patch all the leaks.

Finally, when a cargo ship punctured one of the station's modules during a June 25 practice manual docking, flight manuals also offered no alternative but to take to the Soyuz escape capsule and leave.

Tsibilyev said he could not explain why the cargo ship spun out of control and hit the station, but noted the docking system had provided him inadequate information about its course and speed.

The organization's inspectors began visiting Indian chemical weapons sites early this month, officials said in The Hague. India will now have to destroy its arms and production plants under international supervision.

"It is a very encouraging step that they have done this," said Terence Taylor, assistant director of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London, who was a negotiator for Britain on the treaty.

United Nations monitors after the 1991 war in the Persian Gulf.

While most nations admitting to having chemical weapons or the capacity to make them are keeping their declarations secret, as permitted under current rules, the most surprising open admission came from India. The Indian government had long denied that it had chemical arms, though U.S. and European arms experts suspected there was poison gas in the Indian arsenal.

In late June, India, which has a large chemical industry, told Buntani's organization, based in The Hague, that it had a chemical weapons stockpile. The Indian government also made public the outline of its declaration in New Delhi, though not details about its weapons.

Confessions follow ban on poisons in weapons

UNITED NATIONS (NYT) — Three months after an international treaty banning the production or use of chemical weapons took effect, more than half a dozen nations have admitted that they possessed such arms or had the ability to make them, the director general of the treaty monitoring organization said last week.

"There were surprises," said Jose Bustani, director general of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, in a telephone interview Thursday. "We didn't expect as many countries to come out of the closet as they did."

Until these declarations were made, only two countries had publicly admitted having chemical weapons stockpiles — the United States and Russia. An Iraqi poison gas program was uncovered by

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Food stamp chief brings new outlook

WASHINGTON (AP) — Years ago, Shirley Robinson used to see a boy named Bill Clinton on the front porch of the house in Hope, Ark., where his grandfather lived. She and her cousin often walked by there on the way to a grocery store run by Clinton's maternal grandfather, Eldridge Cassidy, who was known for his willingness to give credit to blacks. Her uncle had an account at the store.

"We'd wave at this little kid on the front porch. We knew his grandfather very well," she remembered.

Later, in the segregated Arkansas of the 1960s, Shirley Robinson — in her words a "negro home demonstration agent" for the University of Arkansas — spent her time explaining things to rural black women such as the preservation benefits of freezing food.

"I would help her understand how she could buy a freezer instead of standing over a pressure cooker in a non-air conditioned house in the summer," she recalled.

Today, that little boy on the porch lives in the White House and Shirley Robinson Watkins is running the government's biggest food and nutrition programs for the Department of Agriculture.

Mrs. Watkins, 59, this month became the first black to be named undersecretary for Agriculture's Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services agency, which has a budget of over \$40 billion and is best known for handling food stamps and school lunch programs that help feed millions of Americans every day.

In fact, if the agency were a restaurant chain, it would rank second only to McDonald's in the number of meals served.

Her appointment comes as the Agriculture department continues to wrestle with longstanding allegations of racial discrimination by black farmers and by its own black employees.

"So many times, the minority community is not aware of so many programs that are available to them. They are not in the loop," Mrs. Watkins said in an interview. "People see this as an opportunity to have someone who will sit down and listen to them."

She is also the first head of the agency with a background in food service at the local level, having directed food programs for the Memphis city schools for 17 years before coming to Washington in 1993. She taught junior high and elementary school before that and knows that children don't succeed

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— Shirley Watkins, undersecretary for the Department of Agriculture's Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services agency

when they don't get enough to eat. "They are lethargic. They are inattentive. They cannot keep up," Mrs. Watkins said.

A priority of hers is improving the nutritional value of the food eaten by these schoolchildren, as well as teaching nutrition to the estimated 22 million food stamp recipients and 7.4 million people on the Women, Infants and Children

program. "I think we could reach more," she said. "We kind of leave it to people."

Congress left the food stamp program with federal officials when it moved many other welfare programs to state control last year, but it is still a frequent target for criticism because of fraud and abuse.

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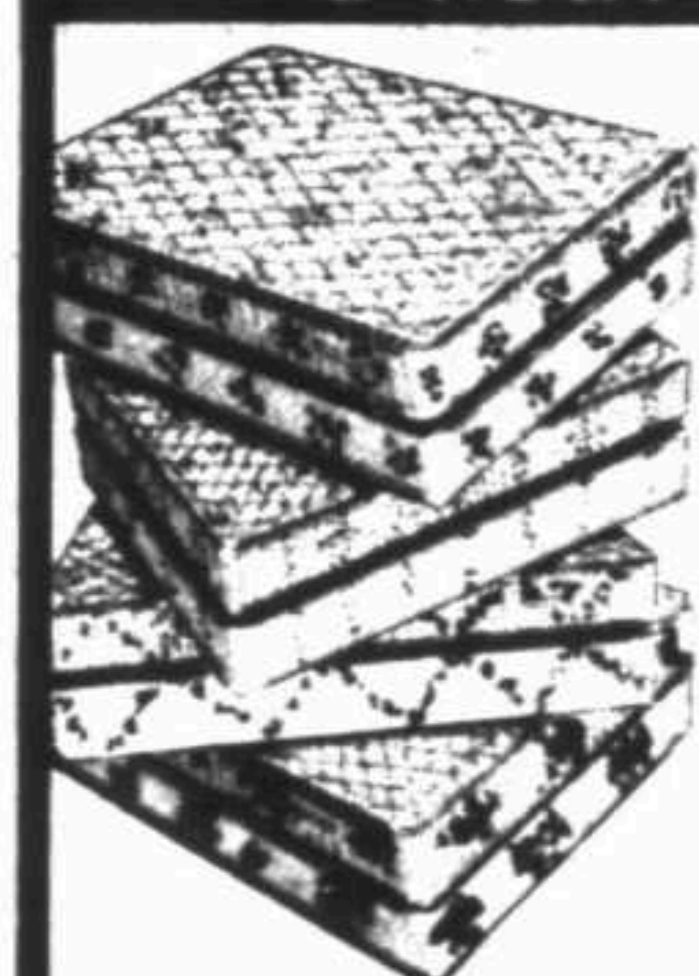
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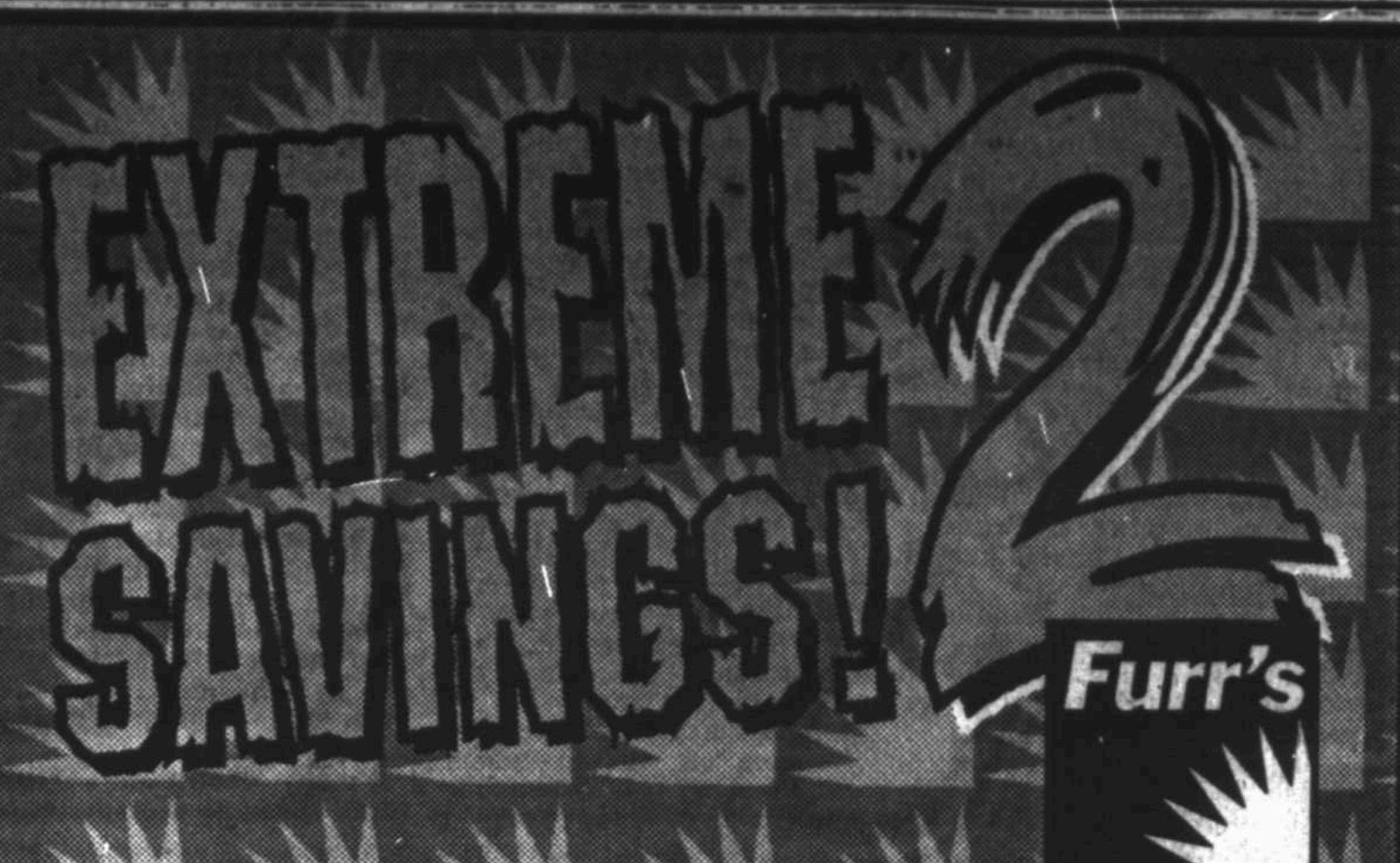
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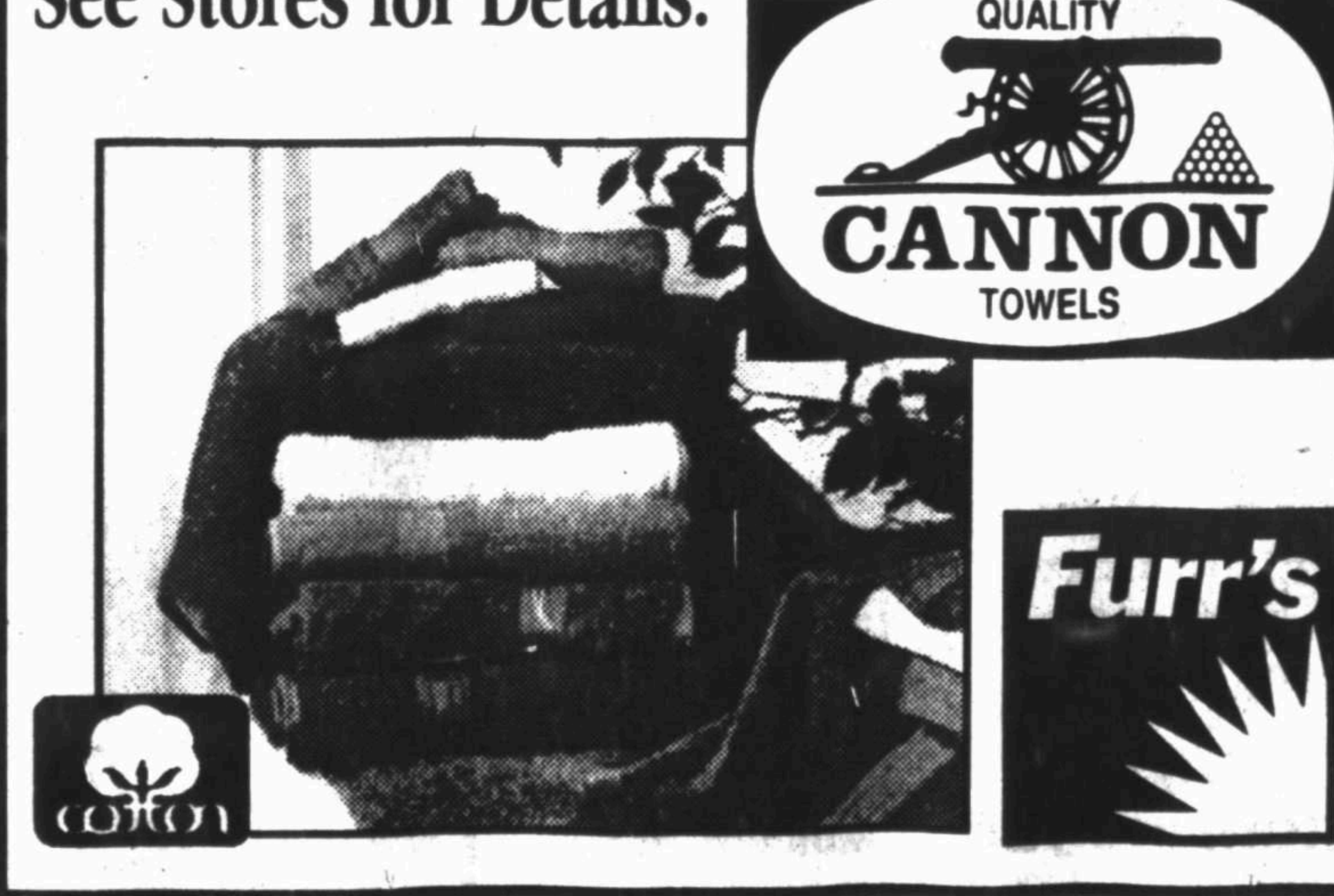


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Outdoor guide choice matter of 'buyer beware'

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Every year, tourists flock to the West to run wild rivers, climb mountains and hike its cathedral-like desert canyons, counting on outfitters and guides to see them safely through.

But in an industry where oversight varies from state to state, nothing guarantees wilderness guides are the savvy outdoor veterans they claim to be.

It really is an example of the old adage, "Let the buyer beware," says Terry Messmer, a Utah State University extension wildlife specialist. "You need to check their level of experience, whether they're fulltime, parttime or just moonlighting for a few extra dollars."

Investigators hope to learn whether inexperience may have been a factor in the drownings last week of 11 people on a TrekAmerica expedition deep inside northern Arizona's Antelope Canyon.

Only the guide, Poncho Quintana, 28, survived the flash flood that swept hikers away at the Navajo Nation site.

Quintana, a former welder who lives in Los Angeles, had received 21 days of guide training from TrekAmerica and had led tours through steep, narrow Antelope Canyon two or three times, says Jack Aakhus, the company's Los Angeles-based personnel manager.

But Aakhus says no training could have prepared Quintana for such a sudden, fierce flood, or helped him keep his hikers from

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— Terry Messmer, Utah State University extension wildlife specialist

being swept away.

Messmer argues that uniform regulation is the best way to weed out pretenders in the industry. "There's really not regulation (of outfitters and guides)," he says. "A lot of it is on-the-job type training."

The National Park Service requires all its concessionaires, including outfitters and guides, to meet safety, health and liability insurance standards. But state agencies vary widely in their oversight of the industry.

Utah neither requires minimum training levels nor registers guides and outfitters. Neighboring New Mexico requires background checks, exams and state registration.

Colorado mandates first-aid certification, liability insurance and registration but does not spell out specific training requirements.

Wyoming guides must be employed by a licensed outfitter and pass an open-book test on wildlife laws and first aid. Outfitters must have insurance and approval of a professional board.

But in Arizona, the state Fish

and Game Department exercises no regulatory oversight of excursions.

That's fine with most who make their living outdoors.

Instead of regulation, Jerry Mallett, president of the Inglewood, Colo.-based Adventure Travel Society, recommends a healthy dose of common sense when venturing into the wild.

"Anyone from this area knows that this time of year you can get monsoons down there," he says, referring to the narrow corridors of Antelope Canyon. "Those storms really come up quick."

Pat Buccello, a National Park Service investigator at southern Utah's Zion National Park, emphasizes the need for hikers to be constantly aware of their surroundings — and willing to question their guides' qualifications.

She suggests wilderness explorers check out guides' expertise and equipment rather than relying on the guides' or outfitters' self-assessments.

Buccello served as an expert witness in litigation arising from the 1993 drowning deaths of two adult leaders on a Mormon Church-sponsored outing in Zion's flooded Kolob Canyon.

Still, she questions the need for more extensive, formal controls on the outdoor industry.

"How do you write a regulation that can make sure someone has experience in hiking in a narrow canyon?" Buccello asks. "Then you'd have to have them predict the weather, too."

GM averts strike with tentative settlement with plant workers

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. averted another strike by the United Auto Workers when it reached a tentative agreement Saturday on a local contract.

GM and the UAW reached an agreement covering 5,320 workers at the Willow Run and Romulus transmission plants at 2:30 a.m., said Chuck Zurawski, president of UAW Local 735.

The union had said its members would strike if no agreement was reached by 11:59 p.m. Friday, but both sides agreed to continue bargaining beyond that deadline.

There was no interruption in production at either plant after the strike deadline passed, Zurawski said. A ratification vote will be held within the next 10 days, he said.

The contract for workers at the Willow Run and Romulus transmission plants would be in effect for two years, Zurawski said. But neither he nor GM spokesman Chuck Licari would discuss the agreement in detail.

"We believe the agreement addresses the legitimate needs of our employees and at the same time allows us to improve our competitive position," Licari said.

GM and the UAW took the same steps last weekend to avert a strike. An agreement covering 3,600 workers at GM's Detroit-Hamtramck car assembly plant was reached in the early morning hours of Aug. 9, more than three hours past the strike deadline set by UAW Local 22.

Saturday's agreement headed off potentially serious production problems for GM, which has endured six strikes this year, four by the UAW.

Willow Run supplies front- and rear-drive transmissions and related parts to every one of GM's North American assembly plants except the Saturn plant in Tennessee. Romulus supplies rear-drive transmissions that also are made in Toledo, Ohio.

In nearly every strike against GM this year, the dispute has focused on the company's attempts to cut staff through attrition, on outsourcing and alleged health and safety violations.

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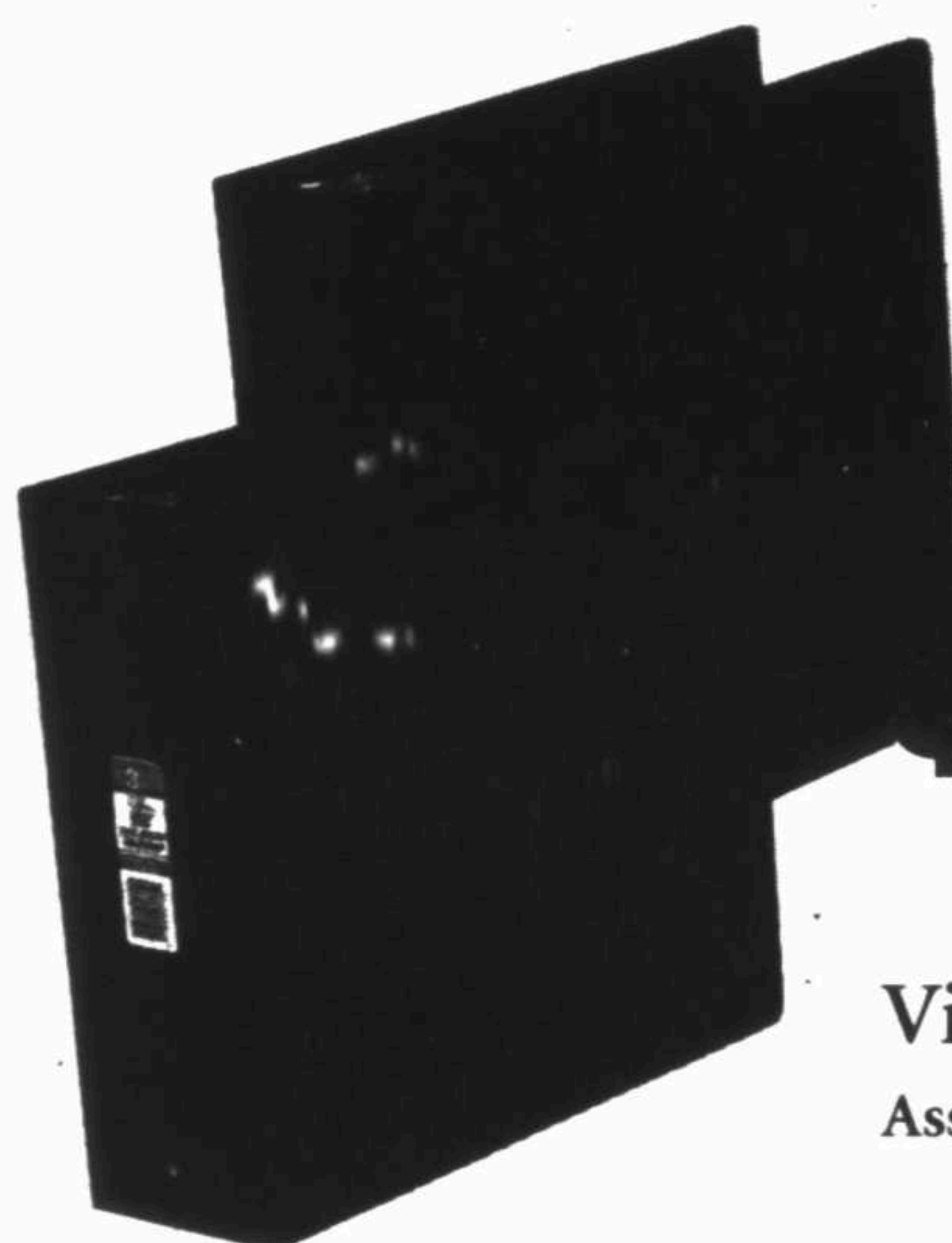
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Medical outlook holds promise

Two medical announcements in Midland in recent days promise improvement in the medical care offered to Midlanders and others living in West Texas.

First was the announcement of a collaborative agreement between Midland College and Texas Tech University to start a physician's assistant program at Midland College. That was viewed as a major step forward in health care in the Permian Basin and West Texas.

No sooner had that announcement been received, however, than Memorial Hospital and Medical Center was dedicating its new premier surgical facility — and that was an important event for all who will face a medical problem requiring surgery.

That \$7.4 million surgery center will allow

surgeons to treat patients with state-of-the-art equipment which should translate into more lives saved.

Harold Rubin, president of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, credited both State Rep. Tom Craddick of Midland and Texas Tech University Chancellor John Montford of Lubbock with making the new surgical center possible.

They should also be credited with supporting and working toward the improvement of medical care for those who face medical needs at various points throughout West Texas and who will benefit from the planned physician's assistant program. Because of their efforts, better health care will be offered all the people of this region.

That is important to all who call Midland and West Texas home.

JACK ANDERSON

Contractors write rules for Department of Energy

A bold attempt to reform the way contracts are issued at the Department of Energy has apparently been short-circuited by the contractors themselves.

Earlier this month we described the mess that ensued when the DOE tried its hand at "fixed-price" contracting. This new policy was supposed to be the wave of the future, as contractors were only to be paid if the job was done correctly and on time. But the policy hit a snag in Idaho, where the cleanup of a contaminated nuclear waste pit has cost the government at least \$56 million — without a single shovel of dirt being moved. The cleanup was originally slated to cost \$179 million, but the contractors now believe the cost could be as high as \$600 million before the work is complete — if it ever is.

We have now learned that yet another contracting "innovation" at the DOE has failed to live up to its lofty promise. The new Performance Based Incentives program is riddled with loopholes and presents an invitation for abuse.

The PBI system was devised with good intentions, after DOE officials grew tired of contractors who constantly overcharged the government. Government audits have found that contractors often submit expenses that aren't legitimate. Deadlines routinely go unmet, and costs often soar far above original projections. Yet the government keeps paying the bills.

PBIs were supposed to change that by offering incentive bonuses for work completed on time or ahead of schedule, while docking contractors who fell behind or failed to complete their work.

Great idea, except the DOE allowed the contractors themselves to write the rule — and therefore decide for themselves what kind of

bonuses they deserved.

Our associate Kathryn Wallace has reviewed an internal DOE report examining a pilot program at the DOE's Hanford Site in southeastern Washington state. There, 34 projects were being conducted using the PBI method and \$14 million in incentive bonuses were on the table. In a gross understatement, the report's authors found that the contractor, Westinghouse Hanford Co., did not "always make the best use of incentive dollars."

A former inspector general at the DOE, H.R. Fine, gave us a simple explanation for why the new-wave PBIs may be bad business: "A contractor worth his salt doesn't need incentives," he told us. "(Contractors) set the bar knowing

full well they can go under."

All the new contracting procedures in the world won't make a bit of difference, Fine says, unless the department itself gets more involved in overseeing its contractors. "The real problem at DOE," he says, "is that the contractors run the show and have for years. PBIs are just another way of stealing money faster and more legally."

Westinghouse officials did not return our calls for comment. The company is no longer working on the projects mentioned in the report.

Jack Anderson's and Jan Moller's column is distributed by United Feature Syndicate.



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RUSSELL BAKER

Imagine Seawolf armed with Steinbrenner taking on Cuba

The Navy has paid \$2.4 billion for a new submarine called Seawolf. It's a dilly. At that price, of course, it ought to be a dilly, but you don't always get your money's worth when the Pentagon does your shopping. You probably remember the \$600 toilet seat it bought for its airplanes.

But that was in the Age of Reagan when we were struggling to save the world from communism. The Reagan strategy, we were later told, was to lure the Russians into a spending competition, then break their spirit by showing them they couldn't hope to keep up.

It's hard to imagine the shock that must have run through the Kremlin when they heard we were challenging them to match a \$600 toilet seat.

You can almost hear somebody saying, "Ach, Comrades, we had better knock down the Berlin wall before they hit us with a \$2,000 toilet-paper dispenser."

I know: Russians don't say "Ach." Germans do. At least they did when they realized that Errol Flynn had singlehandedly whipped the Wehrmacht at Culver City. Those were the days, eh? Now all we have is Arnold Schwarzenegger whipping Sylvester Stallone in arm-wrestling at Planet Hollywood.

Which raises the question of why, with the Nazis and the Red Russians behind us, we need

a new submarine at \$2.4 billion. The answer is: Cuba.

Until now its insolent Communist dictator, Fidel Castro, has been impregnable behind his mighty sugar cane and highly skilled baseball players. With Seawolf lurking somewhere between Miami Beach and Havana, Castro will at last know what fear is.

Imagine a full-scale attack by Seawolf armed not with nuclear missiles but with George Steinbrenner, Peter Angelos and their fellow team owners.

Fighting their way ashore and filling the night with multimillion-dollar contracts, by dawn they could leave Castro stripped of his best shortstops, pitchers and utility infielders.

Hah! Let's see then if he doesn't come crawling to us for season tickets in the good seats right behind third base!

China. I hear somebody say "China." Yes, China is full of Reds, all right. Even more Reds than there used to be in Russia.

Our Seawolf will encourage them to toe the line, won't it? Isn't it well worth \$2.4 billion to have these Reds cringing before us?

I hope nobody is asking these questions seriously. Sure, China has Reds. But they are good Reds. They are friendly Reds. They are Reds who buy Coca-Cola and Boeing airplanes.

We're certainly not going to hurt the feelings of these fine Reds by giving them a whiff of the Seawolf.

All right, on to the National Endowment for the Arts. Whenever a magnificent weapon like the Seawolf appears somebody is always going to complain. Always going to whine about how much we spend on war goods when there is no war, always going to say we ought to spend

more on cultural uplift.

It's true that compared with the Seawolf's \$2.4 billion the budget request for the NEA is approximately \$1.99. It's true that the House of Representatives would like to give it nothing at all, then use the Seawolf to blow up Jane Alexander.

That's hyperbole, which for no reason at all, except that it's either July or August, makes me wonder why football has a Super Bowl but no Hyper Bowl. All right, admittedly the question is irrelevant, but what could be more irrelevant than a brand new \$2.4 billion submarine and only Castro to aim it at?

As Flanders, or possibly Swann, observed: "That's not irrelevant, it's a hippopotamus."

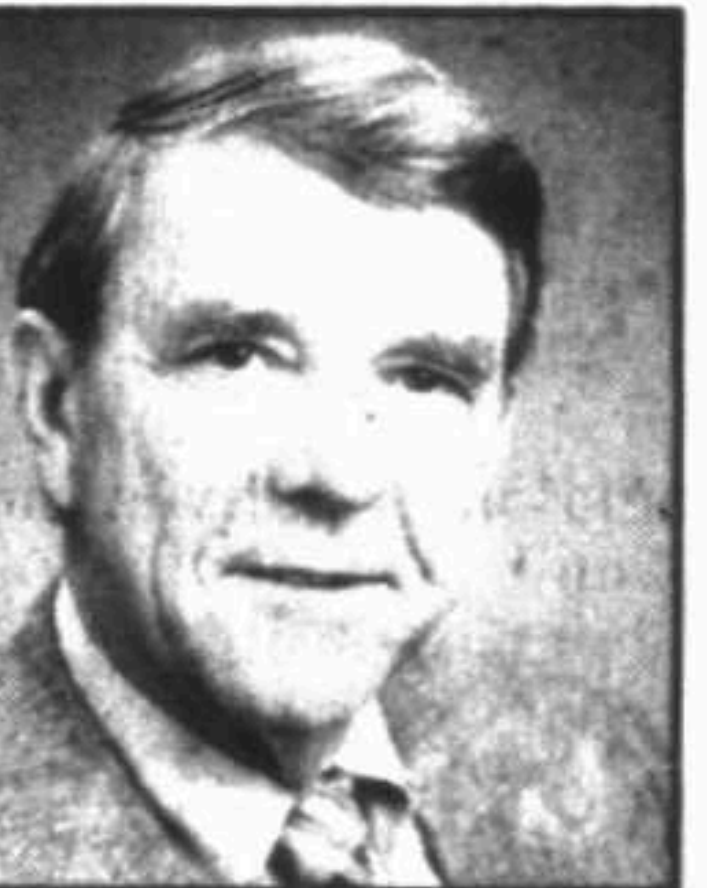
What I mean is, the Congress doesn't really want to blow up Miss Alexander, the actress in charge of the NEA, except metaphorically. It's just that they are down on art (dirty stuff) and people who enjoy it (sissies, rich twits).

Congress is a hair-on-the-chest kind of place composed of reverent he-men and she-women. Their idea of art is a devastating multimillion-dollar advertising campaign slandering anyone with the gall to run against them.

The truth of the Seawolf matter seems to be that not even the Navy wants it. (How would you like to be cooped up underwater with George Steinbrenner?) It's Congress that wants it because it makes jobs. The old name for this was "boondoggle."

Why not sell a few in the private sector? According to *Forbes* magazine, Bill Gates could buy 10 and still have \$12 billion left over.

Russell Baker's column is distributed by New York Times News Service.



Baker

ANOTHER VIEW

Clinton smoking ban isn't unreasonable

President Clinton signed an executive order Saturday (Aug. 9) banning smoking inside federal buildings. ... Originally the proposal also banned smoking at the entrances and courtyards of those buildings, but that was left out of the final plan. Instead, the order allows individual agency heads under the executive branch to "evaluate the need" for the ban to go that far.

Just when smokers grudgingly accepted being pushed outside, now the president wanted to draw a line in the proverbial sand? As harsh as smokers deem such a prohibition to have been, it's not unreasonable — or even unconstitutional. Such a ban would have been welcome because it would help ensure that employees are protected from the unhealthy

affects of other people's habits.

Many smokers cluster around entrances for a quick smoke on break, because indoor smoking has been independently snubbed in most federal and other public buildings. Non-smokers have to walk through that smoke, or be enveloped in it, which exposes them to the harmful effects of secondhand smoke.

Some may pronounce such concerns as hysteria, but not the American Cancer Society. The ACS estimates annual effects of second-hand smoke on nonsmokers are: 3,000 lung cancer deaths; 35,000-40,000 heart disease deaths; and 12,000 deaths resulting from diseases such as emphysema and other breathing problems.

— El Paso Times

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Aug. 17, the 229th day of 1997. There are 136 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Aug. 17, 1807, Robert Fulton's "North River Steam Boat" (popularly known as the "Clermont") began heading up New York's Hudson River on its successful round-trip to Albany.

On this date: In 1863, Federal batteries and ships bombarded Fort Sumter in Charleston, S.C., harbor during the Civil War.

In 1896, a prospecting party discovered gold in Alaska, a finding that touched off the Klondike gold rush.

In 1940, President Roosevelt and Canadian Prime Minister William Mackenzie King met in Ogdensburg, N.Y., where they agreed to set up a joint defense commission.

In 1943, the Allied conquest of Sicily was completed as U.S. and British forces entered Messina.

In 1962, East German border guards shot and mortally wounded 18-year-old Peter Fechter, who had attempted to cross over the Berlin Wall into the western sector. In 1969, 248 people were killed as Hurricane Camille slammed into the Gulf Coast.

In 1969, the Woodstock Music and Art Fair concluded near Bethel, N.Y.

In 1978, the first successful trans-Atlantic balloon flight ended as Maxie Anderson, Ben Abruzzo and Larry Newman landed their Double Eagle II outside Paris.

Ten years ago: Rudolf Hess, the last member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died at a Berlin hospital near Spandau Prison at age 93, having apparently committed suicide by strangling himself with an electrical cord.

Five years ago: President Bush arrived in Houston for the opening of the Republican National Convention, which featured an address by former President Reagan. Actor-director Woody Allen admitted being romantically involved with Soon-Yi Previn, the adopted daughter of Allen's long-time companion, actress Mia Farrow.

One year ago: A military cargo plane carrying gear for President Clinton crashed and exploded shortly after takeoff from Jackson Hole Airport in Wyoming; eight crew members and a Secret Service employee were killed. The Reform Party announced Ross Perot had won its nomination to be its first-ever presidential candidate.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Maureen O'Hara is 77. Blues guitarist Luther Allison is 58. Actor Robert De Niro is 54. Movie director Martha Coolidge ("Rambling Rose") is 51. Rock musician Sib Hashian (formerly with Boston) is 48. Rock singer Kevin Rowland (Dexy's Midnight Runners) is 44.

Thought for Today: "There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle, or the mirror that reflects it." — Edith Wharton, American author (1862-1937).

GEORGE WILL

Some conservative ideas, lacking ballast, are ascendent

Conservatives in this summer of their discontent are suffering political hypochondria. They have a real problem, of which their hypochondria is symptomatic. They are not thinking clearly.

And their somewhat surly bewilderment reveals conservative variants of two sins of this era—self-pity, expressed in a sense of victimhood, and the entitlement mentality. Some conservatives feel victimized by various villains (the media, conservatives in office, etc.) and entitled to an unresisted sweep for their ideas.

This week 28 contributors to *The Weekly Standard* discuss whether there is a conservative crackup, a supposed sign of which is that conservative ideas are ascendant while conservative politicians are being "battered." Actually, some conservative ideas are ascendant because, lacking the ballast of convincing intent, they are lighter than air. And the idea that America's conservative politicians are downtrodden reveals an unconservative fixation with the presidency.

Since the Clinton era began, Republicans have gained 51 members of the House, 13 senators, 15 governors (about three-quarters of the electorate today chooses to live under Republican governors) and more than 500 state legislators. The two largest cities have Republican mayors. Politically, Clinton is the man who walked across a field of snow and left no footprints.

Granted, Democrats, after losing seven of 10 and five of six presidential elections, have now won two. But the Clinton presidency's most important initiative—the health care plan—never even came to a vote. And the only events of

the Clinton years that historians 25 years hence are apt to dwell upon—welfare reform (repeal of an entitlement, forced by Republicans) and trade liberalization (opposed by a majority of Democrats)—limit government.

Michael Barone, author of "The Almanac of American Politics," notes in *The Weekly Standard* that in the 1950s welfare statism advanced while Eisenhower, Churchill, Macmillan, Adenauer and de Gaulle—not a liberal on the list—were heads of government. Today, liberals lead governments rightward. They do so because memories of the material hardships of the 1930s have faded and now "the recalled bad times are the 1970s." Then government was hubristic and incompetent, tolerated or sanctioned much pathological behavior (crime, illegitimacy, welfare dependency) and unleashed inflation that penalized virtue (thrift, industriousness).

However, the welfare state does express, in part, an ethic of common provision—the idea that some of life's risks should be socialized—and conservatives cannot prosper by preaching that this ethic is categorically unethical. Furthermore, Walter Berns of the American Enterprise Institute reminds *The Weekly Standard*'s readers that conservatives cannot distill conservatism's aspirations into the word "freedom." They cannot because their principal anguish, which they struggle to transmute into a governmental agenda, concerns an insufficiency of virtue revealed by the uses Americans make of their vastly expanded freedom from the restraints of government or social stigmas.

Conservatives often become conservatives because they are alarmed by the encroachment of the state on the sphere of individual sovereignty. But that sphere must have boundaries. And conservatives sometimes need to be reminded that conservatism is a political philosophy: It concerns collective aspirations and actions.

Regarding which, *The Weekly Standard's*

most pregnant piece, by Eliot Cohen of the *Nitze School of Advanced International Studies*, notes that the Founders neither envisioned nor desired "feeble government." Cohen warns against "mindless opposition to the state" and wonders, for example, whether conservatives who decry liberal history textbooks are willing to spend adequate sums to acquire and protect Civil War battlefields.

Much of conservatism's oppositional agenda has been fulfilled (opposition to communism, to irrational regulation of entire industries—airlines, trucking, etc.). Important work remains, such as opposition to racial preferences. But, now: What is conservatism for?

Let the conservative rethinking revolve around two questions and a challenge. The questions are: What do we love when we love our country? What do we wish for when we wish for national greatness? The challenge is for conservatism to find a place in its pantheon for three great nationalists—Alexander Hamilton, Henry Clay and Theodore Roosevelt.

Hamilton understood the role of an energetic national government in facilitating individual striving. Clay fired the nation's imagination (including young Lincoln's) with a program—the "American system"—for using national exertions (tariffs, "internal improvements") to nurture the social solidarity that is a prerequisite for patriotism. And from trustbusting to canal building, TR used invigorating strenuousness by government to foster the national thinking necessary for a citizen's sense of identity in a continental nation.

Here, then, is a third question. Twenty years ago many of today's conservatives rallied 'round keeping control of the Panama Canal. But would such conservatives have built it in the first place?

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LETTERS

MISD should respect voters' tax mandate

With the approval by 96 percent of Texans who voted for the property tax amendment to the state constitution, it appears that Texans have spoken convincingly to their school boards about tax relief.

But what appears so, may not be.

In an article written by staff writer Rick Lopez, in the Aug. 10 Reporter-Telegram, MISD financial director David Garcia was quoted extensively and his attitude troubles me. He is already laying the verbal groundwork for a future tax increase to cover any shortfall, and this on the eve of the most overwhelming message from taxpayers in any election in Texas, ever.

His remarks give understanding of the bureaucratic mind set that permeates most institutions, which are more interested in sustaining their own existence than in serving the people who brought them into existence. Garcia states: "If the state should reduce the local school districts' money, there is only one option...raise local taxes." I couldn't believe the arrogance of such a statement on the eve of such an overpowering mandate to do just the opposite. In another article concluded just above the Lopez article, Gov. Bush "warned taxpayers to be on guard against school district officials claiming the increased homestead exemption would force them to raise rates."

I suggest that you have several options, Garcia, just as taxpayers do when they have a shortfall.

One: Tighten your belt, eliminate waste and learn to do without. Bigger is not always better.

Two: Downsize management. It's about time 615 W. Missouri took a hit in the interest of austerity. There is no sound reason, in a town our size, to employ so many non-teaching professionals. This proliferation of "superintending administrators" is unconscionable.

Yes, Garcia, you have options and they are right within your organization. Think before you speak, and listen to the mandate.

David Kline

Incompetence delays neighborhoods' growth

It seems evident that the city of Midland's disregard for the effective growth of the northeast and southeast sides of Midland has once again surfaced.

Initially, the majority of the problem lies in our absentee City Council representation. In true form, Councilman Julius Brooks has managed to potentially deprive his area of competent representation by not properly monitoring and overseeing development activities in his district. His bungled handling of the Washington Pool project and the Community Development Block Grant allocation indicate his desire to serve in name and not fulfill his duties as councilman. While many may accept his political explanation of the fiasco, a thorough review will reveal an incompetent elected official engaged in political hiring practices, who assumes credit for projects he did not initiate.

Also the management of city affairs comes into question when state funds are subject to being returned due to bureaucratic inaction. No, it does not only happen in D.C.! Could it be the chummy relationship between the administrative staff and elected council, or is it a disregard for equitable city development? The city's explanation is quite intriguing. How does a highly publicized and administered public project necessitate a Realtor?

The bottom line is we may be stuck with incompetent representation in the 2nd District but we have highly competent individuals who will make all accountable.

Manuel Lujan

Ground Floor nice place for old and young alike

While walking down Wall Street to the Midland post office, I passed The Ground Floor Coffee Shop. Being quite a senior citizen I wasn't familiar with coffee shops, but I stopped in for a cappuccino and sandwich and, I thought, how nice it is to have a restaurant that is alcohol-, drug- and smoke-free, one of the very few in Midland. I have worked in an office in downtown Midland for 41 years and I am glad to see a new place of business in accordance with the plan to revitalize Midland. I observed friendly, sophisticated conversation and a computer for anyone who wants to surf the Internet, getting on-line with Italy, Australia, or even Odessa, and other such exotic places. A chess game was going on, and all in all it was a very informal, pleasant atmosphere. Now I, and a number of others who work downtown, stop in daily for our afternoon Granitas, a delicious mocha slushy that is the best summer drink I have ever set a lip to. My family (my wife and my kids who are in their 20s and 30s) goes to listen to the high quality musicians who appear regularly. We particularly enjoy Les Kelso, Ross Wolfe and Ruben because they involve us in their blues, jazz, folk and Latino music — an unexpected treat from professionals who have played with international recording stars.

As stated in the Reporter-Telegram, some young Midlanders congregate at times in Centennial Plaza across the street from The Ground Floor and sometimes come into the coffee shop, as well as other downtown business establishments. The young people that I have personally seen in The Ground Floor are friendly and well-behaved and I don't know if these young people use any drugs, cigarettes or alcohol across the street, but such behavior is not tolerated by John Nute, the owner of The Ground Floor. He has one of the few new businesses in downtown Midland and the guilt by association that was mildly implied in the paper probably doesn't help his business, or any of the other business places in downtown Midland, whether existing or yet to come. Many of these young kids are looking for a place to hang out with others their age and it is true that we old folks think some of their garbs are a bit different; however, I've noticed a few elbows nudging one another and smiles resulting when they peek at the bow ties and straw hats we oldies wear on occasion. Truly, it does seem to be the eye of the beholder.

I guess my message is that my family and I have enjoyed The Ground Floor as have many other senior and junior types. The food, music, art and conversation are all good and it is a very friendly, relaxed place I recommend for all of my fellow (old) fogies and also for the younger fogies. Lighten up fellow fogies; try it, I think you'll like it.

John Kirwan

Use of tax funds to keep Tomcat is contemptuous

I fear that our free-spending mayor and City Council members have taken leave of their senses by agreeing to provide \$100,000 to help offset the cost of expansion of Tomcat Engineering & Tomcat USA, as reported in your newspaper Aug. 13. Does this mean that any "successful entrepreneurial" business will be afforded the same consideration? If so, how long can this go on before the city is bankrupt or our taxes are raised to the point that they will drive citizens and businesses out of town?

The use of city tax funds for this sort of thing is contemptuous! Perhaps the mayor, City Council and city management should review the provisions of the City Charter and refresh their memories regarding their duties and functions. I seriously doubt that they will find succumbing to bribery by a large "entrepreneurial success" that is threatening to leave town to be listed! Is it possible that some sort of special interest influenced this decision?

It seems that great hoopla is always made by our "economic development" crowd whenever a new business comes to town, or an existing business is expanded.

Why was no mention ever made of the more than 100 failed businesses since our big boom began — did they get the benefit of a City Council bailout?

The City Council's attitude regarding "economic development" is certainly not in the best interest of the Midland taxpayer. In addition to bestowing \$224,000 of hard-earned tax money to our Chamber of Commerce this year for that function, the council is now trying to appease Tomcat, Inc. to stay in town with even more needlessly lavished funds. This is a slap in the face to all struggling tax-paying businesses in town that are not on the take for this "easy" money as well as our citizens who have trusted our elected officials to make reasonable and prudent decisions in the operation of the city.

Thomas H. Dollahite

Thanks to couples who helped with vehicle crisis

On Aug. 3, I was traveling from Lubbock to Tyler with my two young children. Upon getting off the Interstate at Weatherford and pulling into the Texaco-Burger King located just off the Interstate, my Jeep Cherokee began to overheat and the radiator overflowed. As lost and lonely as I felt at that time, I fortunately had pulled into the Texaco behind two couples traveling together in a white van. One of the couples was from Weatherford and the other from Midland. They were kind enough to help me out and to wait with me and my children until a Weatherford police officer arrived.

Though I failed to get either couple's name, I hope they will see this and recognize their act of kindness. I want to say thank you to both couples for their help and kindness and the concern shown for our well-being. Their friendly and caring nature certainly helped turn a stressful situation into a much less stressful one.

It is reassuring to know that there are people out there who will get involved and lend a helping hand.

Again, thank you both, whoever you are!

Debbie Morman
Lubbock

Valley View community deserves gratitude

The Valley View community was the area of Midland where I grew up. I knew the people who lived there and was influenced by being part of this southeast Midland County community. Recently I was reminded that I still know so many of the families and the pride of belonging. It's more than a neighborhood because you have

to stand in crossroad after crossroad to see across this community. New families have been added and I am not sure that many of them realize they live in the Valley View community, now that our homes have numbers and the roads are numbered. My family's address in the phone book for many years was Valley View Community.

I feel that the people in this community need to be thanked for drawing together and helping each other. When my daddy passed away, the community was there to give support in words, love, food and kindness. Help is always available. In the best of times we are neighbors and friends, in others we are there with open hearts and helpful hands. Thank you, everyone. There have been so many deeds and so many actions over the years that needed special acknowledgement. But now, I want to thank the Valley View Baptist Church, O'Neil's Grocery, the Midland County Sheriff's Office and members of the community who have worked together in the past and will not hesitate to help again.

Nancy Long Pipkin

Cuthbert is one-way street for good reason

As a resident of west Cuthbert and parent of two small children, I read with dismay the letter from John Williams published in the Reporter-Telegram on Aug. 10. I feel compelled to respond to inaccuracies, omissions and hyperbole contained in this letter.

First, as it was one-way when we moved here in 1981, Cuthbert has

been one-way for more than 14 years. Second, the city's decision at the time was reasoned, not "arbitrary." Their decision was based on compelling evidence, in the form of an accident history, of a threat to the safety and property of the residents. Third, the city staff did not "recommend" changing the street to two-way in 1995. The city engineer was neither in favor of nor opposed to such a move. He also admitted that he had not studied the accident history of the street from the years before it became one-way.

Williams omitted the fact that the 2300-2600 section of Cuthbert is very different from the recently changed blocks of Michigan and Louisiana. Michigan, in this section, is entirely commercial. Louisiana is mostly commercial. Children, whether afoot or on bicycles, have little reason to cross either, as there are no residential areas for several blocks to the south. Cuthbert is entirely residential, with lots of children. I live on the south side, while many of my daughter's friends live in the neighborhood to the north. There is a steady flow of children across this street, made much safer by the one-way traffic.

Finally, I am skeptical of the "large group of long suffering residents" to which Williams belongs. Slightly inconvenienced, perhaps, but "suffering"? Being delayed a minute getting home from the grocery or video store is a small price for the safety of our children. At least there is a simple cure for Williams and his fellow sufferers: Take Louisiana east, as others will learn to do.

Rob McAlpine

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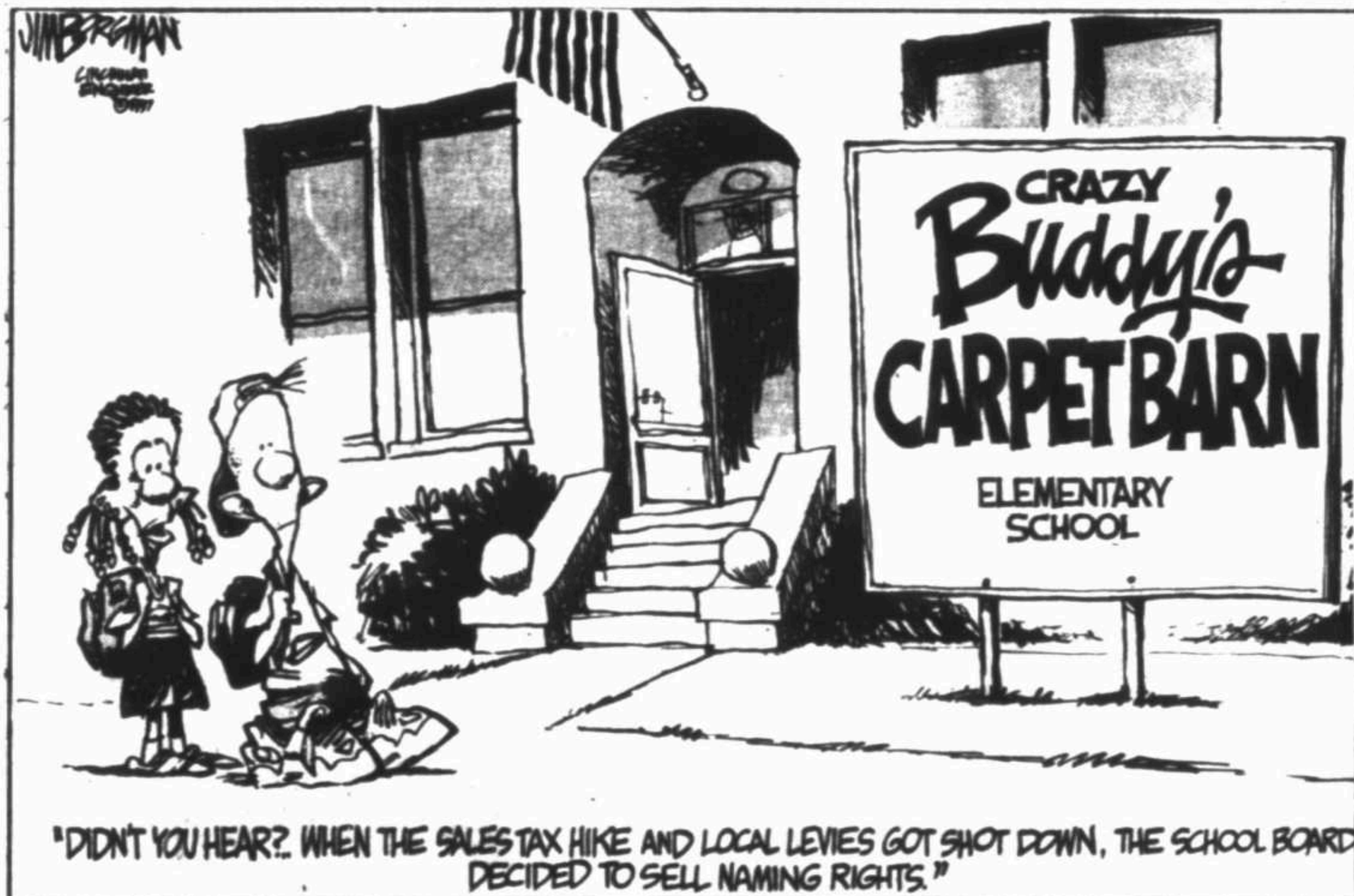
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HISTORICAL MARKER

Shafter scouted Staked Plains, removing remaining bands of Indians

Editor's Note: Information for this article came from the files of the Midland County Historical Museum, the Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library, the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, and an interview with Nancy R. McKinley and Betty Orbeck.

By Bill Modisett

MONUMENT SPRINGS, N.M. — Some names are written indelibly in the history of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.

Pecos, El Capitan, Shafter Lake, Big Spring, El Paso, Loving, Seven Rivers, Lincoln and, of course, Monument Springs.

Each name speaks of people, places or land features that played a prominent role in the history of this region. Some have now faded in importance, but their hold on the past lingers.

Monument Springs, N.M., is one. The springs, which form a small lake a few miles southwest of Hobbs, served as a magnet for both Indians and white settlers during the final years of the 19th century.

In this dry and desolate country where water can mean the difference between life and death, Monument Springs became as much a destination as did Big Spring, the flowing natural well about 41 miles east of Midland, or Fort Stockton, where Comanche Springs is located.

Permanent water was assured at those locations and their names became well-known as a result.

With emigrants pushing westward in the 1870s, it fell to Lt. Col. William R. Shafter, then working out

of Fort Concho at what today is San Angelo, to remove the remaining bands of Indians from the Staked Plains, a region Shafter described in his report of Jan. 4, 1876, as "a country almost entirely unknown, except to Indians."

During his expedition conducted in 1875, Shafter scouted much of the Staked Plains "finding several permanent watering places, and destroying the lodge poles of one larger Indian Camp."

Later, he led his companies northward into the Palo Duro, turned southward to Five Wells and then turned almost due west and "started across the Plains to Monument Spring in New Mexico."

In his report of that scout Shafter wrote, "After leaving Five Wells with Co's A and C 10th Cav'y, I marched nearly due west sixty three miles reaching Monument Springs Oct. 23rd. On this scout a large lake of permanent water was found, 35 miles north of white sand hills. At this lake a large lot of poles were abandoned by the Indians, who scattered in all directions."

One of his scouting expeditions took Shafter and his men across "the Plains to the Pecos, thence down to Horsehead crossing, returning to Supply Camp Sep 25th, having marched 840 3/4 miles. Nearly the whole distance through country heretofore unknown to troops."

That Shafter was successful in removing the final bands of Comanches from the Staked Plains is verified by the number of cattlemen who moved into that region only a few years after the Indian threat was gone.

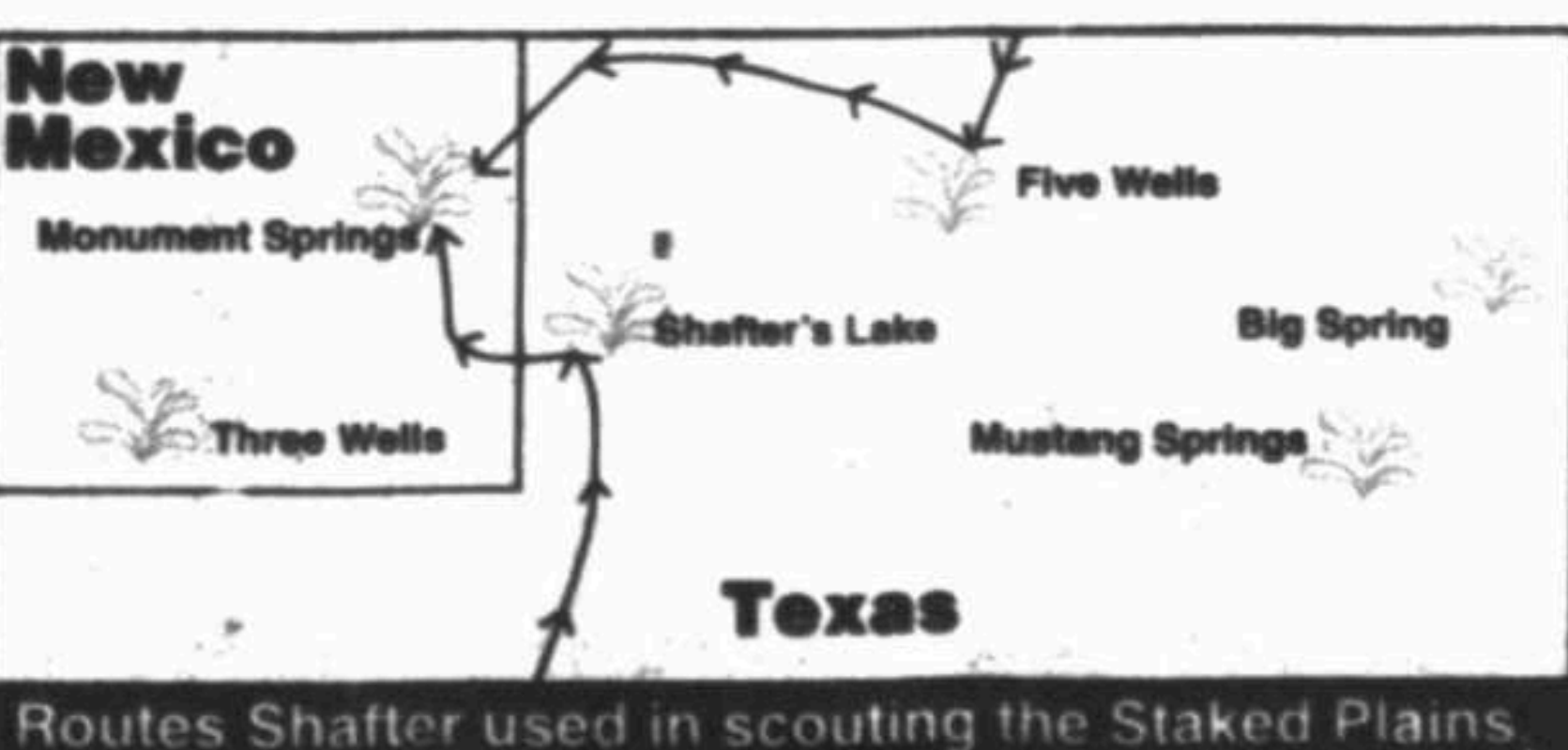
By 1883, the Cowdens were located in the white sandhills near the Texas-New Mexico line, and about 1884 Elisha Hamilton "Lish" Estes and Bud Purcell established the noted 727 Ranch at Monument Springs. The 727 brand was one of the most famous of that day.

A great friend of Capt. George W. Littlefield, Estes eventually sold his interests in the ranch at Monument Springs and moved to a ranch on the Corretes River southwest of Chihuahua City, Mexico. He remained there until 1894 when he moved to Midland and established a ranch north of the city in partnership with John Scharbauer.

After the dissolution of their partnership, Estes established a ranch 40 miles



Shafter



Routes Shafter used in scouting the Staked Plains.

south of Midland and within 20 miles of Rankin.

Monument Springs, Scharbauer, Estes, Midland, Shafter.

Some names are written indelibly in the fascinating history of this region.



E.H. "Lish" Estes, right, is pictured here beside a prize bull. Estes was a rancher at Monument Springs, N.M. in 1885 and later at Midland.

Flowers cover Presley grave on 20th anniversary

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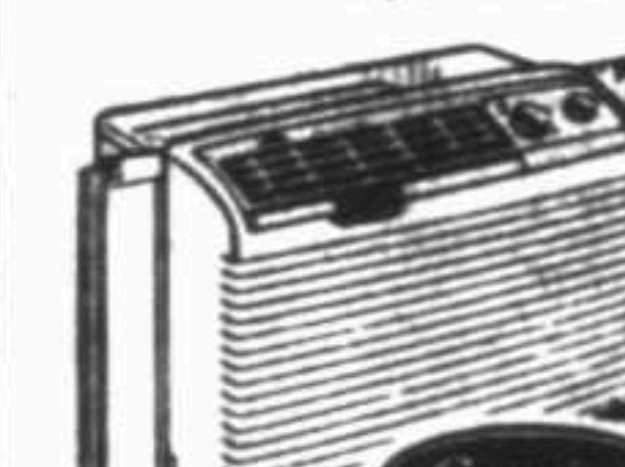
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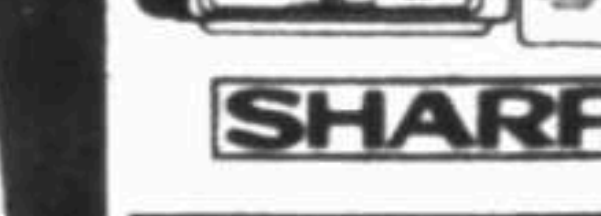
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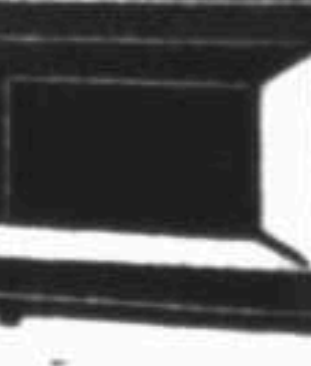
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Feline foundation faces cat fight for its control

By Katie Fairbank
Associated Press

BOYD, Texas — The chubby cougar rolls across the concrete, looking like an overgrown house cat hoping to be stroked. Pampered and protected, J.C. arches his back and strains against the enclosure built to keep him safe from predators, safe from urban sprawl.

Although the cage can keep out most danger, it can't protect him from a cat fight surrounding control of his shelter at the Texas Exotic Feline Foundation.

The tussle over who should run the sanctuary for the 64 formerly abused, malnourished or illegally owned exotics has moved to the courts, where a slew of lawsuits have been filed and await answers on who should care for the cats.

On the defense is cat sanctuary co-founder Gene Reitnauer, an opinionated woman who has spent the last 14 years building the foundation, cleaning cages, feeding animals and teaching volunteers to care for the exotic felines.

On the other side are two wealthy donors who say the foundation has been poorly run and have taken their complaints to courts in Dallas and Austin.

Blockbuster Video founder David Cook and Louis Dorfman, an investor and real estate developer, say they filed their lawsuits after they got tired of watching their donations spent differently than they had intended.

They say frustration forced them to file several civil lawsuits against TEFF and Ms. Reitnauer seeking the return of about \$800,000 in various donations.

Dorfman also went to Texas Attorney General Dan Morales with allegations that Ms. Reitnauer had misused funds. In November, the attorney general's office raided the property, confiscated records and books, and filed a lawsuit alleging Ms. Reitnauer personally used charity funds.

Attorney general's office spokesman Ward Tisdale said state law allows and even requires the TEFF raid "to see that charities fulfill their purpose."

The amount in question is about \$30,000, primarily from a check made out to Ms. Reitnauer's ex-husband for what she says she thought was a research trip on endangered cats in Belize. The attorney general's office contends the money was used as part of the couple's divorce settlement. The case is scheduled for trial on Sept. 8.

Until the issue is settled, attorney Ron Summers is an appointed receiver and in charge of the charitable organization, a job he refuses to discuss.

"I have no comment. We will be trying this in court, not in the press," said Summers, who has paid out about \$400,000 since he took over the foundation, according to Cook.

The civil lawsuits filed by Cook and Dorfman are still in the discovery phase and no trial dates are scheduled.

Several volunteers say they wonder whether Cook and Dorfman are interested in the cats or their sanctuary site. In a currently remote area near the small town of Boyd, the 37-acre sanctuary is right off a major highway and about 15 miles down the road from the Texas Motor Speedway, a site where hotel and development plans have resulted in land usage court battles involving nearby towns.

The rumor that development may be a factor in the fight was fueled when Dorfman bought the mortgage on Ms. Reitnauer's personally owned 10 acres, but was rebuffed from the property when the loan was paid off by one of her loyal followers, Felix Laughlin.

"Mr. Dorfman and Mr. Cook dislike (Ms. Reitnauer) so much they're willing to spend millions to spank her hands," said Laughlin, an American Eagle pilot.

But Dorfman and Cook said the move was necessary to assure the land would be used properly for the foundation.

"We're hearing all kinds of stuff — that we're trying to build a big hotel and it's a big land grab," Cook said. "This is a long way from the development area. I seriously doubt any development will be located in the direct surroundings of the sanctuary."

As the courts grind through the complaints, Ms. Reitnauer and many of the volunteers who have spent their free time paying \$20-a-pop to be allowed to scoop poop and clean tiger pools are being denied access to the animals they have helped raise.

The entrance to the foundation property has been moved so tourists don't drive along her house, where a black-crepe wreath hangs.

Also, a court order prevents Ms. Reitnauer from entering the 10 acres of land she owns where most of the cats are caged. She's also prohibited from going into the backyard of her house, a restriction enforced by a netted screen that keeps her from seeing the cats.

"I've had to place my four dogs in other homes. That's cruel. You explain to me how the state can dictate that to me? I have no rights," she said.

The hanging of the netting was a boiling point in the control battle. A confrontation between support-

ers from both sides has resulted in a second-degree felony charge in Wise County against Laughlin.

The growing number of spin-off court cases has led to much finger-pointing over the welfare of the cats, making the whole situation seem like a child-custody battle where both sides argue they are only trying to do what's best for the kids.

Some former volunteers feel so strongly that the animals are being mistreated that they've begun a letter-writing campaign complaining the felines are being fed horse meat, denied attention and medical care.

Cook responds that "the cats are healthier than I've ever seen them in my five years out there."

He also likens Ms. Reitnauer's supporters to cult members.

"This woman is a very charismatic leader. They act on her behalf how she wants them to," he said. "The volunteers will tell you a pretty good story, but all they want is to have Gene back so they'll get access to the cats."

Access to the cats is important to the former volunteers, many of whom carry around pictures and whiskers of their favorite felines.

COUNTDOWN TO A NEW ICE AGE

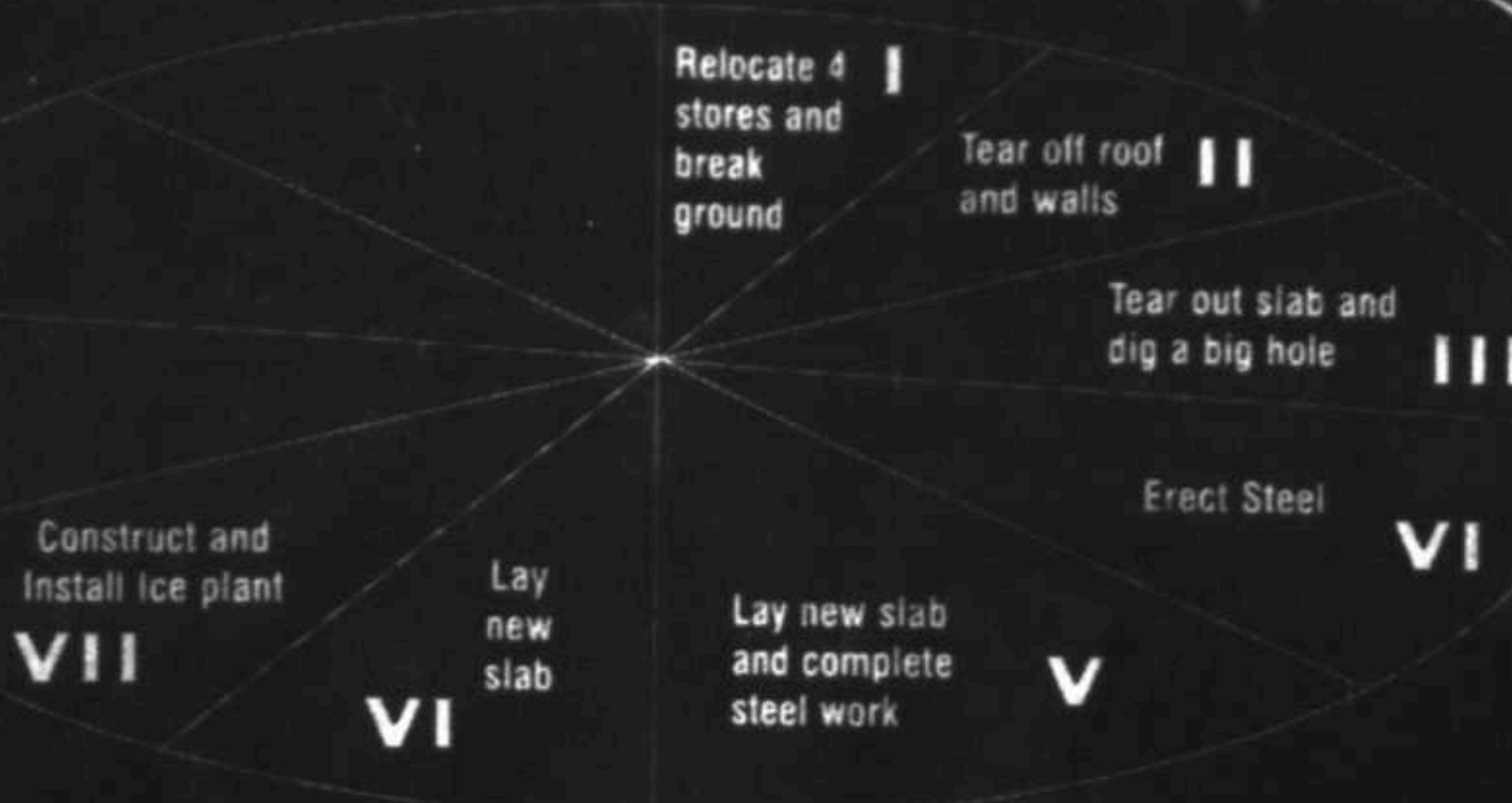
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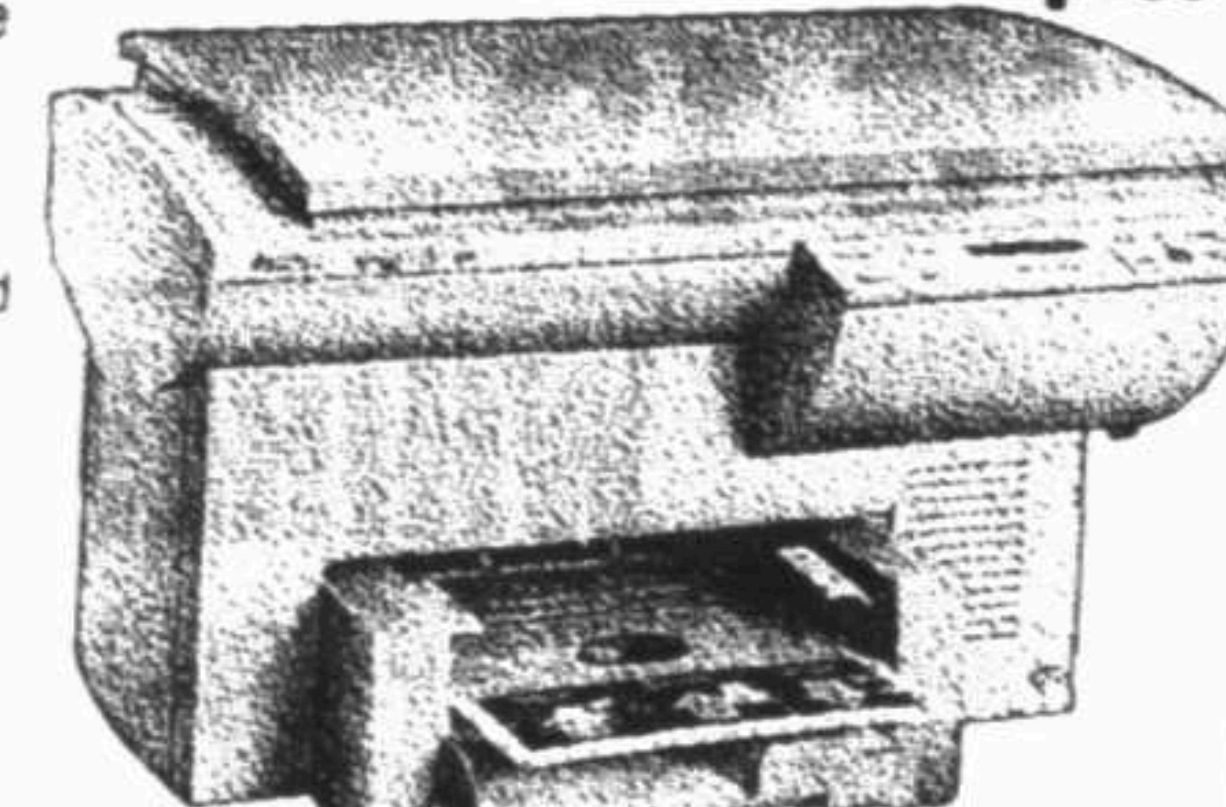
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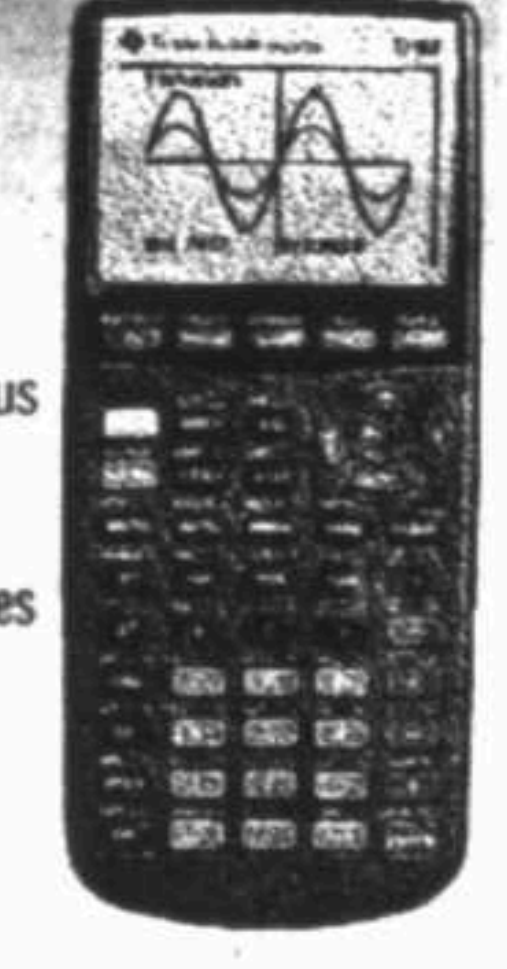
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Indian museum's displays created in collaboration with those whose stories are told

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — The state-owned Museum of Indian Arts & Culture has a new wing. And more than that, officials say, it has a new vision.

An exhibition that opens Aug. 17 puts 1,300 objects from the museum's acclaimed collections on permanent display — but not in the familiar old-stuff-on-shelves museum format.

Instead, the exhibit blends old and new. Visitors see faces and hear voices, as well as reading the printed word. The exhibit's very architecture evokes the world of the southwestern American Indian.

Most significantly, the displays were created in collaboration with the people whose stories they tell. Museum officials call it a "community-curated" exhibition.

Well over 100 Indian elders, young people, artists, scholars, teachers, builders, writers and others from tribes around the Southwest worked on the wing during eight years of planning.

They helped come up with the concept and the design of the 9,000-square-foot exhibit. They assisted in choosing the objects to be displayed, and they wrote the accompanying text. And they appear on videotape, talking about their lives.

"We're trying to express the stories from the native point of view, rather than from something written in a textbook," said Edmund Ladd, a Zuni who is the museum's curator of ethnology. Members of most New Mexico

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pueblos and of the Navajo, Hopi, Tohono O'odham and several Apache tribes in the Southwest took part in the planning.

Ladd said the museum was intent on avoiding a stereotypical presentation of Indians and their lives.

"Very early on we decided that this was not going to be a corn, beans and squash exhibit. ... We're here now, and we're here always," Ladd said.

To that end, the exhibit — titled "Here, Now and Always" — is designed to convey a sense of the dynamism of Indian life: its changes as well as its continuity, its complexities, its melding of traditions.

Visitors hear the sound of thunder at the start of the exhibit, and the sound of a thumping basketball at the end.

A traditional drum is displayed with an electric guitar; a modern-day child safety seat shares a display case with a traditional cradle-

board.

There are replicas of a 1930s trading post and a contemporary booth from a pueblo feast day.

Rather than being divided into tribes or into time periods, the exhibit is organized by theme: ancestors, cycles, architecture, language and song, plants and animals, exchange, survival and the arts.

Visitors begin by walking up a narrow, darkened ramp into the large, open, exhibit room — evoking the Indians' belief that their ancestors emerged from the earth.

Members of various tribes tell their creation and origin stories on videotape; the same people talk about their contemporary lives at the exhibit's end.

The architecture in the new wing abstractly suggests Southwest scenes: mountain peaks, ruins, cornfields, plazas.

Visitors can inspect traditional housing — a Navajo hogan and an Apache wickiup — and a kitchen from a pueblo home.

The idea is to present the museum's collection not as things that are separate from people and their lives, but rather to display them "in a context people were comfortable with," said Sarah Schlanger, the museum's chief curator.

"In this exhibit we've gone to considerable lengths to include the voices of the native people who are connected to these objects," she said.

And when tribal members didn't

want some proposed objects included — because of their religious significance, for example — they were removed.

The exhibit is the centerpiece of the museum's new Amy Rose

Bloch wing, which has 21,000 square feet, including collection and study space.

The wing is named for the late daughter of Nancy and Richard Bloch, longtime Museum of Indian

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Woman awarded \$5.8 million in lawsuit involving false memory implants

Hearst News Service

HOUSTON — A jury awarded nearly \$5.8 million Friday to a woman who claimed her family was torn apart when her psychotherapy produced false memories of satanic ritual abuse.

The judgment is believed to be the largest among several handed down in recent years against therapists accused of implanting false memories of sexual abuse, often involving a satanic cult. Many other such suits have been settled out of court.

The jury in the court of U.S. District Judge Ewing Werlein Jr. had been deliberating since Wednesday. Jurors said they reached a general consensus in favor of plaintiff Lynn Carl during the first few minutes of their deliberations.

But they said it took longer to arrive at the amount of their judgment against Dr. Gloria Keraga and other details of the verdict.

"This verdict validates my story, and I hope gives strength to those other patients who have suffered similar abuse," said Carl, 46, who during psychotherapy came to believe she had practiced murder, torture, cannibalism, sexual abuse and incest.

Carl's attorney, Skip Simpson, argued during the trial that therapists implanted false memories that worsened Carl's condition, so they could collect more than \$1.1 million in insurance.

"This case was all about creating victims, so the mental health field

could have patients and expensive treatment," he said after the verdict.

The jury found that Keraga shared liability in the case with a number of others. But all the other defendants previously settled with Carl or were dropped from her suit.

Keraga and her attorneys declined comment and gave no indication of whether they would appeal the verdict.

During the trial, Keraga, 44, testified that she didn't know if the specific memories Carl recovered in therapy were true, but said she believed the "gist" of them.

One of Keraga's attorneys, Suzanne Cardwell, argued that the medical care Keraga provided Carl was a reasonable effort to help the patient work through severe emotional problems.

Carl is one of more than a dozen patients who filed lawsuits against therapists at the former Spring Shadows Glen Hospital in Houston. The patients allege that therapists planted false memories of abuse after the patients were diagnosed with multiple personality disorder.

Several jurors said they were concerned Keraga and other Spring Shadows Glen therapists failed to warn their patients about the risks of the therapy.

"I think most of us felt red flags should have gone up quickly during therapy," said juror Joe Kemper, 42.

He also said that in reviewing medical records presented during the trial, jurors found no evidence

that Carl was improving despite her expensive treatment.

In 1993, Spring Shadows Glen closed the dissociative disorders unit, where such patients were treated, after state authorities cited the hospital for excessive use of physical restraints on patients and censorship of patient mail and phone calls.

The hospital now is under different ownership and has been renamed Memorial Spring Shadows Glen.

Carl, who suffered from depression, testified that during her therapy at Spring Shadows Glen from May 1991 to March 1993, she became convinced she had developed more than 500 personalities because of repressed memories of involvement with a satanic cult.

Therapists never warned her that the memories she recovered through hypnosis and other forms of psychotherapy might be unreliable, she testified.

And they told her that unless she continued recovering memories about the abuse, she would remain in denial and her children "wouldn't get well," Carl testified.

Carl's children — Kristi, then 13, and B.J., 14 — entered the hospital a year after Carl began her stay there. They were admitted for evaluation following Carl's allegations that they had been abused.

B.J. came to believe he was programmed to die by age 16, and Kristi believed she was a "breeder" for the cult, according to testimony. They also believed they had committed incest.

Carl said these false memories led to divorce from her husband and a court order preventing her from seeing her children.

Upon her release from Spring Shadows Glen, Carl went through treatment in Florida and Maryland before reuniting with her husband.

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Weather to determine severity of upcoming allergy season

By Richard Saltus
N.Y. Times News Service

The summer is winding down, but the season when ragweed pollen fills the air to torment allergy sufferers has just begun. How much sneezing and itching lies ahead, specialists say, depends a lot on the weather.

Friday marked the beginning of ragweed season, the third of the major pollen seasons of the year. Ragweed and sagebrush will increasingly send their pollen grains aloft, peaking around Labor Day. But if the weather turns cooler and damper, people who are allergic to these weeds will be saved some misery, physicians said Friday.

In general, over the past few years "ragweed counts have been moderate, not like the terrible ragweed seasons seen in the past," said Dr. Wil Beauchet, an allergist who tracks pollen counts for the National Allergy Bureau of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology.

"Some ragweed grains showed up last week" in pollen collectors, said Dr. Martin Ostro, an allergist at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, "but my phone hasn't started ringing off the hook yet."

The annual cycle of pollen seasons begins with blooming trees in the spring, grass in the early summer, then ragweed and similar offenders between mid-August and the first fall frosts. Mold spores from plants or soil also bother many allergic people. Recently, said Beauchet, mold counts have soared as high as 19,000 grains per cubic meter of air — at a time when the counts normally are below 1,000.

Balancing this upsurge, he said, has been a relatively low level of grass pollen in recent weeks because of dry weather.

Knowing the rise and fall of pollen levels from season to season and year to year may help in identifying airborne antagonists, but treatment strategies remain the same: Try to avoid exposure, and use the growing arsenal of drugs as recommended by allergy specialists.

"Keep your windows closed at night so pollen doesn't blow into the bedroom, and if you exercise do it early in the morning before pollen counts get high," said Dr. Lawrence DuBuske, a clinical instructor at Harvard Medical School and director of the Allergy Family Treatment Center in Gardner, Mass. Air conditioners help and so may air filtering machines, but there is controversy over how effective the latter really are. Drug treatment has improved

enormously in recent years, say specialists, giving sufferers more weapons to try, including some that can prevent symptoms if taken at the beginning of allergy season.

One of those, now available over-the-counter, is Nasalcrom, a spray that squelches the allergic reactions among cells in the nasal membranes, said DuBuske. It is not an antihistamine and it is safe and without side effects, he said.

"If that fails, the next thing the doctor should try is a non-sedating

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— Dr. Wil Beauchet, allergist

antihistamine like Claritin or Allegra," he said. These two prescription drugs have recently replaced the original non-sedating antihistamines such as Seldane, which proved to have dangerous interactions with some other

drugs.

The new drugs "have changed allergy treatment quite a lot," said Ostro at Massachusetts General. He said singers used to be difficult to treat because, in addition

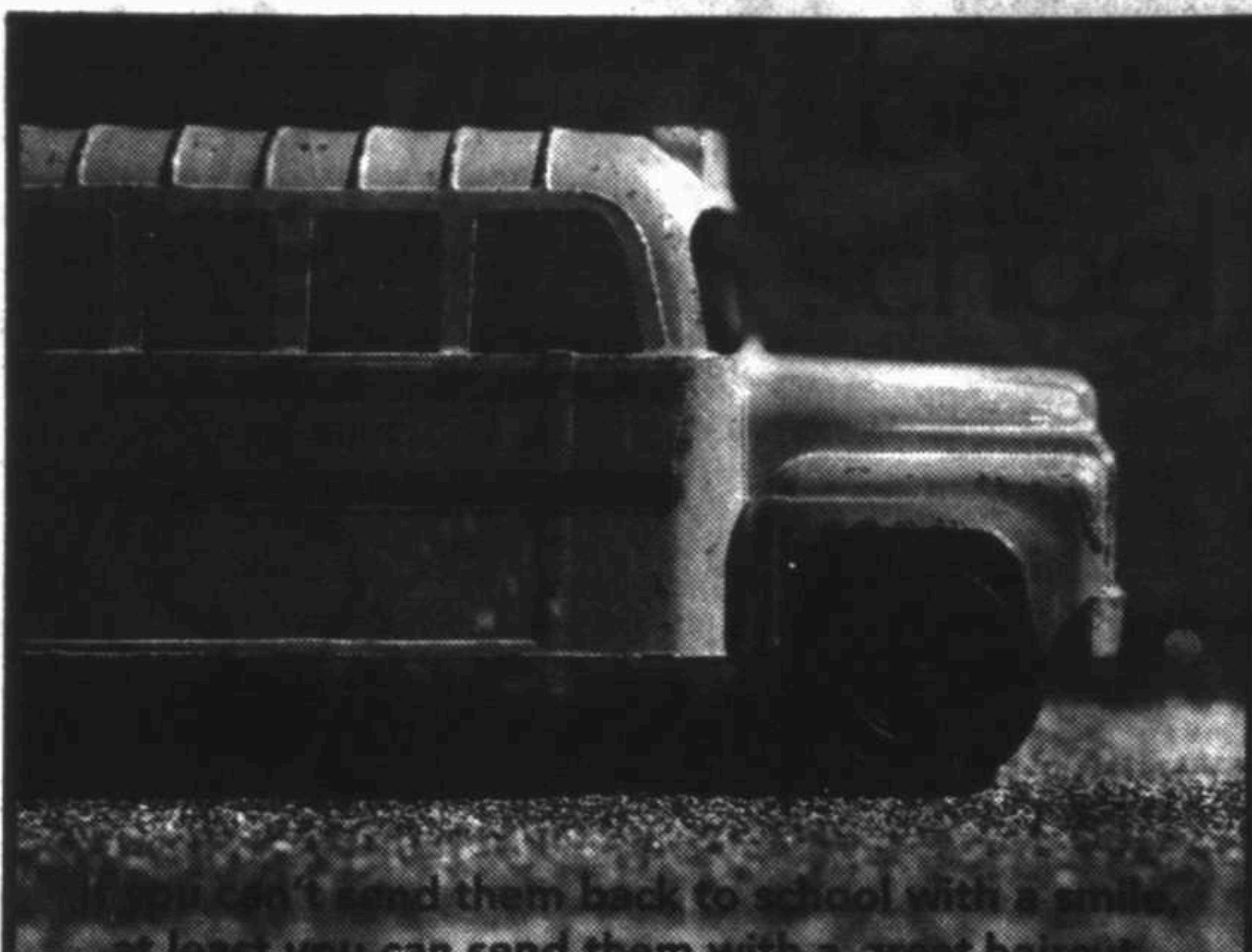
to causing drowsiness, the old drugs left the mouth dry. Because the new drugs are free of these effects, "my patients at Berklee (College of Music) or the New England Conservatory can take them with abandon," he said. "We can treat people a lot more easily with many fewer side effects."

When these are not enough, an allergy sufferer can use one of the prescription nasal sprays containing steroids, DuBuske said. They are sold under such names as Vancenase and Nasocort. He said

they often are very effective and need only be taken once a day.

The success of these drugs has vastly reduced the number of patients who resort to "allergy shots," the series of injections with small amounts of the offending allergen, which gradually builds the immune system's tolerance of the pollens.

"This is more of a long-term proposition, because they don't have an immediate effect, but they can be used if all else fails," DuBuske said.



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Wife of Midland minister battles state government

By Peggy Fikac
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — She's taken on the governor, bucked legislative leaders and is in the thick of a Republican vs. Republican split on the State Board of Education. What will Donna Ballard, wife of a Midland minister, do next?

Run for higher office, maybe? Ms. Ballard, who handily won her State Board of Education seat in 1994 with the backing of religious conservatives, says she hasn't decided what to do when her four-year term ends.

Rumors are rampant, however, that she's eyeing another race — perhaps for state Senate.

"I'm really in a place of making some decisions," Ms. Ballard, 46, said. "I would consider another office."

In her first elected post, she's been labeled a leader of a six-member bloc of

Republican social conservatives on the 15-member board. While there are nine Republican members, the other three regularly vote with the board's six Democrats.

Raising the hackles of some fellow Republicans and Democrats alike, Ms. Ballard has taken strong stands on issues including "unwanted federal intrusion" into Texas education; legislative restrictions on the board's power; and a massive school curriculum rewrite, which she termed mediocre and faulted Gov. George W. Bush for supporting.

Contending conservative views were wrongly squelched at one board meeting, she dramatically declared, "Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned" and said she was considering legal action.

As she ponders her future, Ms. Ballard is looking not only at politics but her personal life.

She lives in The Woodlands. But her min-

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ister husband moved to Midland in November to be pastor of the Foursquare Church.

"The question is, if I'm going to continue in a position of impacting policy, what options do I have?" she asks.

While she could run for re-election in her current district, she said, that's less likely as she confronts the reality of dual households.

"We've been married for 25 years, and this has been very, very difficult," she said. "Eventually, I have to be with my husband."

Whatever she decides, Ms. Ballard's no-holds-barred approach has won her supporters and critics.

"Donna is very dedicated, very determined and very principled, and I admire

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AP Photo
Texas Board of Education member Donna Ballard is shown in this file photo in Austin, Texas. She's taken on the governor, bucked legislative leaders and is in the thick of a Republican vs. Republican split on the State Board of Education.

Queen comes home



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Key to the crown

Miss Texas Reagan Hughes talks with Susan Wynn, right; her husband, Marvin Wynn, Midland Chamber of Commerce president; and Mayor Pro Tem Pat Schneider Saturday afternoon during a luncheon at the Museum of the Southwest. Ms. Hughes accepted the key to the city from Ms. Schneider and Mike Conaway Saturday afternoon at the luncheon. The 1992 Lee High School graduate, who was crowned Miss Texas last month, returned to Midland this weekend for a homecoming celebration. She is to compete in the Miss America pageant Sept. 13 in Atlantic City.

Texans in Congress rake in \$6 million, spend under \$3 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texans in Congress tapped their campaign supporters and political action committees for \$6.3 million in contributions for the first six months of this year, according to the latest filings with the Federal Election Commission.

During the same period in this non-election year, the 32 Texans spent a total of \$2.7 million, beginning the process of building the war chests they will need for next year's House races.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, raked in \$1.8 million in contributions during the first six months of the year — a sizzling pace for a senator who isn't up for reelection until 2000.

By contrast, fellow Texas GOP Sen. Phil Gramm, who was re-elected in November to his third six-year term, did next to nothing in the way of fund-raising.

He took in \$6,816 during the first half of the year.

Then again, Gramm tapped his individual contributors for some \$16 million last year for an unsuccessful White House run, and then turned to them again to finance a \$6 million Senate race.

With \$4.1 million in its coffers at the mid-year point, the Hutchison campaign was the flushiest of the Texas campaigns.

Five Texans in the House boasted large war chests in this off-year — a fact that keeps some challengers at bay.

Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Austin, had just under \$1 million in his campaign at the end of June, giving him the fattest campaign account among Texas House members.

Republicans Joe Barton of Ennis and Bill Archer of Houston each had in the range of \$650,000 in their campaign

accounts; while fellow GOP lawmaker Lamar Smith of San Antonio wasn't far behind with \$526,000.

The newest Texan in Congress, Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, raised the most campaign cash in the state's House delegation, bringing in \$514,539. But the San Antonio Democrat also was the only Texan on the ballot twice this year — running in the March special election and April runoff to fill the seat left vacant after the January death of Rep. Frank Tejeda.

After Rodriguez, the state's most prodigious fund raisers were its two most powerful House Republicans: Majority Leader Dick Arney of Irving and Tom DeLay of Sugar Land.

DeLay, third-ranking in the GOP leadership, took in \$413,073 over six months; second-ranked Arney was on DeLay's

heels with \$408,670.

Demonstrating considerable fund-raising prowess for a freshman, Rep. Kay Granger, R-Fort Worth, took in \$311,839 from individual campaign contributors and PACs — a sum well in excess of what was raised by the eight other Texans who first joined Congress in January.

Some are still dragging around huge debts from their maiden races.

Rep. Max Sandlin, D-Marshall, has debts of \$841,709 from the 1996 campaign — the loans guaranteed by his \$5.8 million in stock holdings from his law firm. He made a small chink in that debt this year, repaying an \$11,224 bank loan.

A fellow Democratic freshman, Rep. Ruben Hinojosa of Mercedes, has \$371,000 in debt on the books, stemming from nine bank loans taken by his campaign, five of them this year alone.

GARY OTT

Men in general possess inherent need to be daring

There are a handful of men out there, mostly current and former members of college fraternities, who possess that unique ability to dress properly. They know which colors go together, when a striped shirt is appropriate, and why certain ties should never be worn with certain suits.

Their clothes — which have that uncanny knack for hanging just right from their tall, lean, tanned bodies — bear designer names

likes Ralph Lauren, Tommy Hilfiger and Perry Ellis. Indeed, many of these men look as though they just stepped off the pages of an expensive fashion magazine.

Furthermore, this peculiar talent for "wearing just the right thing" comes easy for them. Maybe they were born with the skill, or perhaps it was acquired. Either

way, they have it.

But for the remaining 95 percent of the male population, there is no such special ability. When they gaze into the closet each morning all they see is a wild assortment of colors staring back at them.

So they immediately become baffled.

They know there are certain guidelines to be followed when attempting to match articles of clothing, they just don't know what those rules are. In fact, this is one of those rare occasions when married men have a distinct advantage over their single counterparts.

That's because they can look to their wife and ask the age-old question, "Honey, do these pants go with this shirt?"

And when she replies, "Oh, for heaven's sakes, get back in the bedroom and change those pants," they immediately know the answer.

Single guys don't have that built-in safeguard. In other words, they are on their own. When they choose a pair of trousers to go with a particular shirt, they can only hope — and pray — it is the proper deci-

sion.

Occasionally it is. But more times than not, these men become the laughing-stock of the female crowd at work. "Good grief," one of them will say to the others as they gather around the coffee machine, "did you see what Roger had on this morning?"

"What does he do? Put on a blindfold when picking out his clothes?"

"It would be funny if it weren't so pathetic."

"He really needs a woman to take care of him."

The real problem, of course, is that men in general possess this inherent need to be daring ... and to try new things.

They shouldn't do that, especially when dressing for work.

Allow me to explain: When purchasing clothes, your average guy will buy in what is known as "sets," or "units," meaning he will select a specific pair of pants to go with a specific shirt to go with a specific pair of socks to go with a specific tie. As long as the store clerk has good taste, and

most of them do, everything is fine.

The guy will be nicely coordinated at the office and his female workers won't make fun of him, at least not based on his choice of clothing.

But after two or three weeks of being properly attired, the "risk taker" in him will begin to rear its ugly head. Soon he will attempt to coordinate his clothes all by himself.

His, of course, is something he shouldn't do.

But he will persist. As a result, he will show up at work in yellow striped pants, a turquoise shirt with lots of purple dots and an extra-wide tie featuring a picture of the Three Stooges on it.

He will be grinning from ear to ear.

So will his co-workers. Indeed, each will walk by his desk, give him the quick once over and say, "Nice threads."

The men will be serious.

The women won't.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Friday

Burglary of a habitation: Jennifer Lopez reported a residential break-in from 2200 N. Pecos St. It was reported at 9:45 a.m.

Burglary of a habitation: A garage burglary occurred at 2513 Cuthbert Ave. Patricia Fitzgerald reported the incident at noon.

Theft: Hellen Calter reported a theft of \$90 from 1702 E. Oak Ave. A report was made at 4 p.m.

Theft: Police arrested a man at 2315 Front St. for taking gasoline from a convenience store. An employee was quoted as saying that the man tried to leave the scene, but his truck stalled. The incident occurred at 8:30 p.m.

Theft: A saw was taken from 804 S. Weatherford St. Stephen

Mills reported the theft at 8:32 p.m.

Criminal mischief: Sonny Martinez reported a car vandalism from 4400 S. Big Spring St. It was reported at midnight.

Midland County Sheriff's
Office
Friday

Theft: A purse and handgun were taken from 4501 E. Interstate 20, according to a report Mark McAnally made at 3:01 p.m.

Saturday

Burglary of a vehicle: A car break-in was reported from 4400 N. Midland Drive. Gary McLaughlin reported the incident at 7:28 a.m.

Anyone having information concerning any of these incidents should contact the Midland Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

BATTLE: Woman doesn't like being labeled 'religious right'

(From 1B)

her feistiness," said Republican Railroad Commissioner Carole Rylander, a candidate for state comptroller.

Former state GOP Chairman Tom Pauken, an attorney general candidate, said, "Clearly Donna is a leader."

"We're a big party. There's plenty of room for differences of opinion among our respective leaders," he said.

Wyatt Roberts of the conservative American Family Association of Texas said Ms. Ballard has "done a good job of presenting the conservative case in education—to get back to basics and to stand for traditional values."

"She is a very aggressive, successful, articulate campaigner. She knows how to really get to the heart of the issue and push people's buttons," he said. "She's very successful at that."

Some say too successful.

One religious conservative leader said privately that Ms. Ballard has unnecessarily created a schism on the board. Other critics don't mind going on the record.

Board Chairman Jack Christie of Houston, a Republican and critic of Ms. Ballard, contends she focuses on "political ideology and future political office and splash."

"It's not a priority on children," said Christie, who said he doesn't think Ms. Ballard could be elected again.

Debbie Frank of the Texas Free-

Ballard's battles

Some of the battles State Board of Education member Donna Ballard has been involved in:

■ Textbooks. She advocated that board members continue regulating book content despite a law that key legislators said forbade such censorship. "If they weren't able to transcribe into law their intent, then I don't have to follow their intent," she said of lawmakers. The attorney general came down on lawmakers' side.

■ The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills. She called for abolishing it and replacing it with another exam, stunning lawmakers who've based the school accountability system on the current test. "Many legislators still do not get it and do not understand that they could be king if they would take on TAAS. I mean parents and teachers, everybody hates it," she said.

■ Texas participation in the New Standards Project. Backers said the national project was aimed at strong academic standards. Ms. Ballard and other opponents suggested it promoted "outcome-based education," including such ideas as group grading instead of individual grades and an emphasis on attitudes rather than academics. State dues for the program were suspended after questions were raised.

■ A sweeping school curriculum rewrite. Ms. Ballard and other conservatives contended the rewrite had been swayed by the national education standards project. When it was revised, she said it wasn't rigorous enough and took aim at Gov. George W. Bush for supporting it. "Contrary to his campaign promises, he has embraced the education establishment. At this hour of need, leadership from the governor is lacking," she contended.

dom Network, which monitors activities of religious conservatives in education, is critical of what she calls "inflammatory language and stalling tactics" by the six "right-wing" board members.

"The result of their antics has been to politicize every educational issue at the State Board of Education," she said.

Board member Alma Allen of Houston, a Democrat, said, "I think what Donna is about is helping her organization secure monies from

the state of Texas... vouchers, charters, all of that."

Independent charter schools permit private entities to get public money to run campuses free of many state regulations. Vouchers, an idea that has failed in the Legislature, would permit the use of public education funds for private school tuition.

Ms. Ballard said she supports charter schools and vouchers, but also strongly supports public education. As evidence, she points to

her four children.

All attended public schools and three graduated from them. One daughter was home-schooled for two years — taking a correspondence course to get her general educational development certificate — because of attention deficit disorder, she said.

"For the future of Texas, we have to have strong, vibrant public schools," said Ms. Ballard, who moved to the state seven years ago.

Born and raised in California — her grandparents lived in Texas — she graduated from a public high school in North Hollywood and attended San Fernando Valley State College. She didn't graduate from college, she says, noting she had four children in four years. But one day, she says she intends to complete her education.

After moving to Texas, Ms. Ballard became active in Montgomery County Republican Women and also fought a state panel's proposal she said would have allowed school children to leave campus without parental notification to get reproductive health care. Then came her board race, which she was recruited to run by board member Robert Offutt of San Antonio.

While acknowledging support from conservative and religious groups, Ms. Ballard dislikes being labeled as "religious right." She said the term is used by the "education establishment... to marginalize anybody who's critical" of education practices.

OBITUARIES

Dora Hamilton

Dora C. Hamilton died Thursday, Aug. 14, at a local hospital.

Graveside services are to be at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 18, at Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery with Greg Fleming officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Jan. 26, 1909, in Brown County.

She moved to Midland in 1959. She worked as a seamstress at Grammer Murphys and retired in the 1970s.

She was preceded in death by her husband, W.N. Hamilton, in April 1973; two brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include one son, Roy Lee Hamilton of Midland; a brother, John Dickens of Waco; a sister, Ethel Raney of Rowlett; eight grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; 15 great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests that memorials be directed to a charity of one's choice.

Gabe Coleman

SAN ANGELO — T. Gabe Coleman, father of Midlander Robert Coleman, died Aug. 15, at his residence in San Angelo.

Services are to be at 10 a.m. Monday Aug. 18, at First United Methodist Church in San Angelo with the Rev. Carl Rohlfis officiating. Burial is to be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, at Lakewood Cemetery in Henderson under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo.

He was born March 1, 1918, in Paris.

He received a medical degree from the University of Texas Medical School in 1945, and began his practice in San Angelo in 1949; he retired in 1983. He was Chief of the Department of Medicine at Shanon Hospital in San Angelo and was a fellow of the American College of Physicians and a member of the American and Texas med-

ical associations. He was a trustee for the First United Methodist Church in San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by his brother, George Robert Coleman Jr.

Other survivors include his wife, Mary Alford Coleman of San Angelo; another son, Tom Coleman of Dallas; one daughter, Mary Maude Tabor of Dallas; and seven grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund or a favorite charity.

Kenneth Farmer

Kenneth Ray Farmer, 56, died Saturday, Aug. 16, at his Midland residence.

Services are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home.

Bill Deaver

ABILENE — Bill Roland Deaver, 73, father of Midlander Brian R. Deaver, died Friday, Aug. 15, at an Abilene hospital.

Services are set for 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 18, at Elliot-Hamil Chapel of Memories in Abilene. Graveside services are to be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, at Sparkman/Hillcrest Cemetery in Dallas under the direction of Elliot-Hamil Funeral Home.

Deaver was born November 1923 in Dallas.

He moved to Abilene from Houston in 1983. He was employed by Oryx Energy Co. and Sun Oil Co. for a total of 37 years. He was a member of American Association of Petroleum Landmen, Abilene Association of Petroleum Landmen and Houston Association of Petroleum Landmen and the Just Adults School Class of First Baptist Church.

Other survivors include his wife, Tommie Holson Deaver of Abilene; another son, James R. Deaver of Katy; two brothers Tommy H. Deaver of Gun Barrel City, and Danny Deaver of San Marcos; and one grandchild.

Couple chose Midland despite wife's political commitments

By Georgia Temple
Staff Writer

When approached by the International Foursquare Church's district supervisor in Dallas about a move to the Living Way Church in Midland, the Rev. and Mrs. Mark Ballard accepted the challenge. The move meant living apart after 25 years of marriage.

"I agreed to come under unusual circumstances," Ballard said.

"We would have to keep a residence in the Houston area because of Donna's commitment to the State Board of Education and to serving her district — District 8 (Houston). You have to have a voting record in your district. Obviously, your residence is important relative to your voting."

"We felt it was very important that she complete her term of office because of everybody who worked so hard to get her into office."

Mrs. Ballard won her State Board of Education seat in 1994. Her husband, who formerly taught at Village Christian High School in California from 1972-75, has been a licensed minister with the International Foursquare Church since 1972.

When the Ballards came to Midland to consider his pastoring the Living Way Church, they found that the leadership was understanding of their need for her to complete her commitment.

"In 48 years of being a congregation," the church hasn't had a pastor who's had a situation like this one," said Ballard, who comes to the Midland church from Trinity Community Church in Spring. He said it is unusual for a pastor not to have his wife with him from the day he starts his post.

If Mrs. Ballard were living here, she wouldn't have an official capacity in which she would serve. But, Ballard said, "she would be involved" with the congregation.

After much reflection, they chose to come to Midland. A major factor in such a decision, Ballard said, "Is there confusion or is there peace?" They discovered the latter in making up their minds.

Since 1972, Ballard has pastored three Foursquare congregations and served as president of the organization's Bible college in the East (there is also one in the West).

Since moving to Midland in November, the Ballards have spent some time in the air.

"Through the wonderful invention of airplanes," Ballard said, "I can be in Houston in an hour and 15 minutes. We've just commuted back and forth." He laughed and added, "We may have seen each other more as a result of this than before."

He supports his wife's involvement with the State Board of education.

"I think anybody has to be sup-

portive of a spouse who's going to run for an office, especially an office where you have to raise your own money to do the campaign, and it's a non-paid position."

In Texas, the State Board of Education is a non-paid elective office.

"Basically, in our state, it is a privilege to serve on the State Board of Education," Ballard said.

"I appreciate all 15 board members because they have to sacrifice their time as well as raise money to run their races and do that at their own expense, as well as passing the hat around to raise money for their materials, telephones, et

cetera.

"It's not like being a representative or senator. They have funds given to them to pay for their office and get help. That's not true for the state board."

The Ballards are parents of four grown children, all of whom attended Texas public schools. He agrees with his wife's ideas regarding education.

"Our ideology is very complimentary when it comes to education. So if I were a citizen who didn't know Donna, but listened to her ideology, I would want her on the state board."



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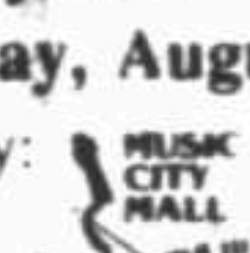
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Black bear mauls Texas woman, killing her

LIARD RIVER, British Columbia (AP) — A Texas woman was mauled to death by a black bear in a remote northern British Columbia park as her two children watched helplessly. A man who tried to save her also died.

Hikers who witnessed the attack Thursday night threw rocks and sticks at the bear but could not stop it from mauling four people, said staff at a nearby lodge.

The black bear was shot and killed by a tourist who had rushed to get a gun.

The woman was identified Friday as Patti McConnell, 37, of Paris, Texas. She was walking through Liard River Hot Springs Provincial Park with her son Kelly, 13, who was also mauled, and daughter Kristen, 7.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police said Friday night that Raymond Kitchen, 56, of Fort Nelson, British Columbia, was killed apparently while trying to save McConnell. Kitchen is believed to have been an experienced outdoorsman and hunter who was familiar with the habits of bears.

Kelly McConnell and a 20-year-old Calgary man, who was also attacked, suffered non-life-threatening injuries. They were airlifted to a hospital in Fort Nelson, 120 miles southwest of the park near the B.C.-Yukon boundary.

Kelly was later transferred to B.C. Children's Hospital in Vancouver.

The Calgary man, one of several university students conducting research in the park, suffered serious leg injuries. He was transferred to a hospital in his home town Friday. Police said his name would not be released at his request.

Jan Reed said her daughter was planning to settle in Anchorage, Alaska, and was taking her children on a meandering route from Paris through the United States and Canada.

"They were going up there to make a new life for themselves," she told the Vancouver Sun as she prepared for a trip to Vancouver to visit her grandson in the hospital.

She will then pick up her granddaughter, who was staying with an RCMP officer's family in Fort Nelson, and collect her daughter's remains to take back to Paris for a funeral next week.

"I think it's pretty much one of the most brutal ways to die, having your entire body ripped apart (by a bear)," said Jayme Melrose, an employee of a nearby lodge.

The attack occurred as the four campers stumbled through the brush between two hot springs in the park.

The park was evacuated and will remain closed while provincial officials and police investigate.

Jean Beitz, manager of the Liard River Lodge, said nervous campers moved indoors or left the area.

Provincial officials said it was the first fatal bear attack in British Columbia this year. Six people were injured and one person was killed by bears in the province last year, while there were 11 injuries and two deaths in 1995.

Locals said it was the first bear attack in the region in the last 10 years.

The chance of being attacked by a black bear is slight, said Matt Austin, large carnivore specialist with the provincial Environment

Ministry.

He said there are two types of attacks — predatory and defensive.

Predatory attacks usually occur in remote areas where bears have little contact with people.

In those rare cases, Austin said, "a male bear will actually stalk and attack a person to feed on them as prey. And that's quite rare."

But food-conditioned bears, who rummage through garbage bins and raid picnic baskets, are accustomed to the smell of humans and won't run away. In those cases, bears will attack when they are startled or feel threatened, or when protecting cubs.

"If a bear gets the feeling that it's cornered or pressured, certainly, like any animal, they'll attack if they're backed into a corner or surprised," said conservation officer Bob Butcher.

He said bears only attack in a predatory manner if they're sick or starving or wounded.

Authorities had not determined whether the attack was predatory or defensive.

Man receives 5 years probation for trying to sell 4-year-old child

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — In exchange for a probation sentence, a man has pleaded guilty to attempting to sell his 4-year-old daughter for \$1,500.

Bobby Ray Tyler, 29, of Aransas Pass entered the plea Friday. He remains in San Patricio County Jail in Sinton in lieu of \$30,000 bail, a jail official said.

His wife, Denise Marie Tyler, 21, also charged with sale of a child, is free on \$30,000 bond. Her case is pending.

Assistant district attorney Jerry Clark declined to discuss the terms of the plea bargain.

The offense is a felony punishable by as much as 2 to 10 years in prison and a fine of up to \$10,000.

The Tylers were arrested at a residence in Ingleside, across the bay from Corpus Christi, about 11 p.m. on June 3 after a joint investigation by the San Patricio County sheriff's department and

the Ingleside police department.

Officials say a meeting was set up for an undercover female police officer to "buy" the child after an informant told law enforcement officials the Tylers were trying to sell any of their three children for \$1,200.

But as the informant started to make arrangements with the couple, they decided to sell the oldest child for \$1,500, police said.

The informant said that at one point during the negotiations, one of the parents turned to the other and said something like, "maybe we can get out of this little house," police said.

A judge will decide the terms of probation on Sept. 15, Clark said. That will determine whether Tyler will be able to see the child and the couple's two other children — a 3-year-old boy and a 2-year-old girl.

The children are in the custody of Child Protective Services, officials said.

Houston museum acquires first Hearst newspaper

From Staff Reports

HOUSTON — A copy of the San Francisco Examiner, dated March 4, 1887, the day William Randolph Hearst became owner of his first newspaper, has been purchased by the Museum of Printing History in Houston.

The paper had been stored for

many years in a bank vault in San Francisco, according to Don Piercy, director of the museum. Until the owner contacted the Hearst Foundation about selling it, it was not known that a complete copy of that edition existed. The foundation referred the owner to the museum, which has placed the paper on exhibit in its Hearst

Newspaper Workshop and Gallery of Historical Headlines.

"Hearst, along with Joseph Pulitzer, Hearst's former employer, brought about the modern-day newspaper," Piercy said. "Big headlines, the Sunday funnies, sensational stories, front page pictures all are Hearst trademarks. Newspapers came of age and

changed because of William Randolph Hearst and the San Francisco Examiner."

Today, the Hearst Corp. owns numerous newspapers, magazines, and radio and television stations across the United States, including the Midland Reporter-Telegram and Houston Chronicle.

Court secretary who sought mercy for son may face charges

HOUSTON (AP) — An appeals court secretary wanted the courts to go easy on her son. So she sent a letter to three appeals judges, pleading for mercy.

Now, Rebecca McMahon, who works for Paul Murphy, chief justice of the 14th Court of Appeals, may face criminal charges herself for her request of judges in another court.

Her son's case was to be reviewed by the 1st Court of Appeals on Aug. 12.

But the 1st Court appeals court judges recused themselves from the case after receiving the mailed letter, said Rikke Graber, an assistant district attorney who was to argue for the state.

Now, the Supreme Court of Texas

must reassess the appeal, and a long delay is expected, she said.

Jason McMahon, 25, was convicted with five others in the 1994 aggravated kidnapping of a Houston teen. Members of the group referred to themselves as "vampires" and allegedly practiced satanic rituals. They made the 18-year-old undress and beat him, ignoring pleas of mercy, trial testimony revealed.

Testimony also showed the group, thinking the teen was a police informant, burned him and sexually tortured him with a curling iron. They also set him afire three times.

The victim lived, but is institutionalized. McMahon was characterized in the trial as one of the

group's leaders and received two life terms.

His mother's letters implored 1st Court of Appeals Justices Michael Schneider, Sam Nuchia and Davie

Wilson to look closely at errors allegedly made in the trial of her son.

Murphy said he does not know if she will be disciplined.

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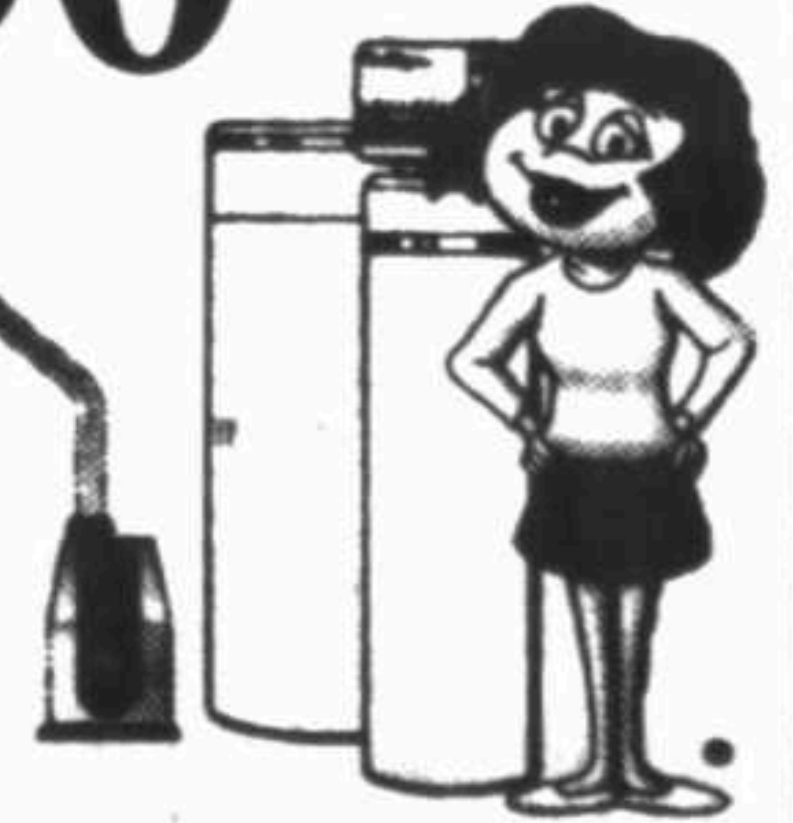
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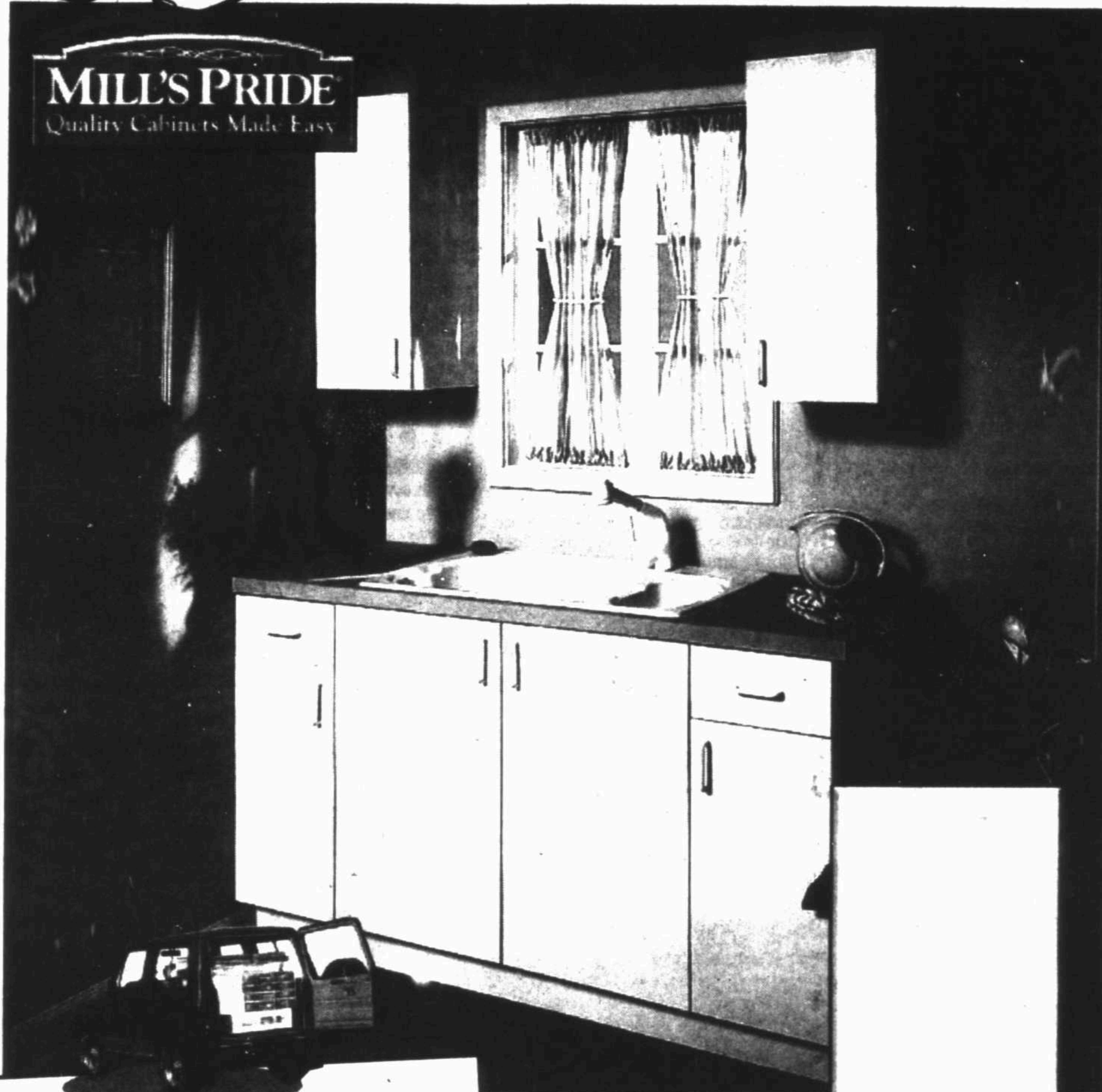
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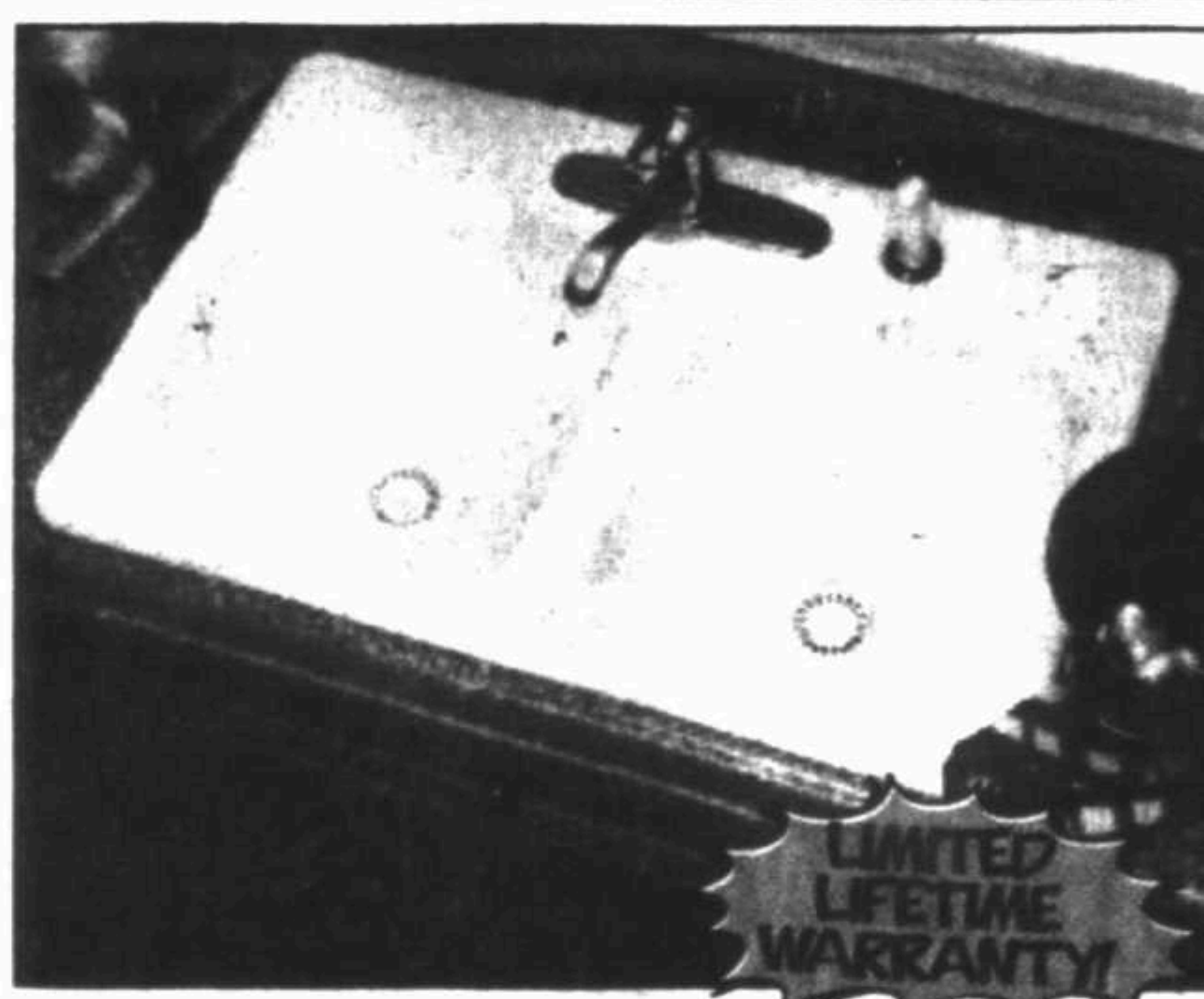
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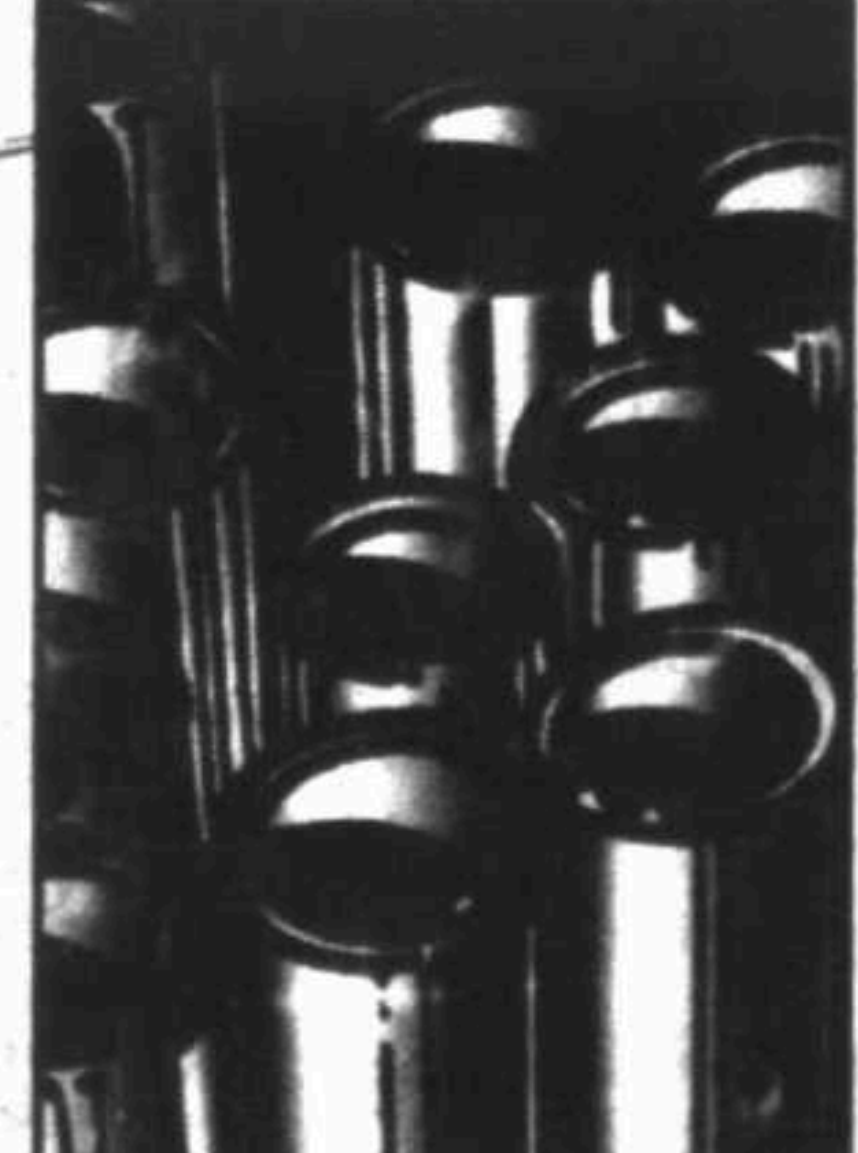
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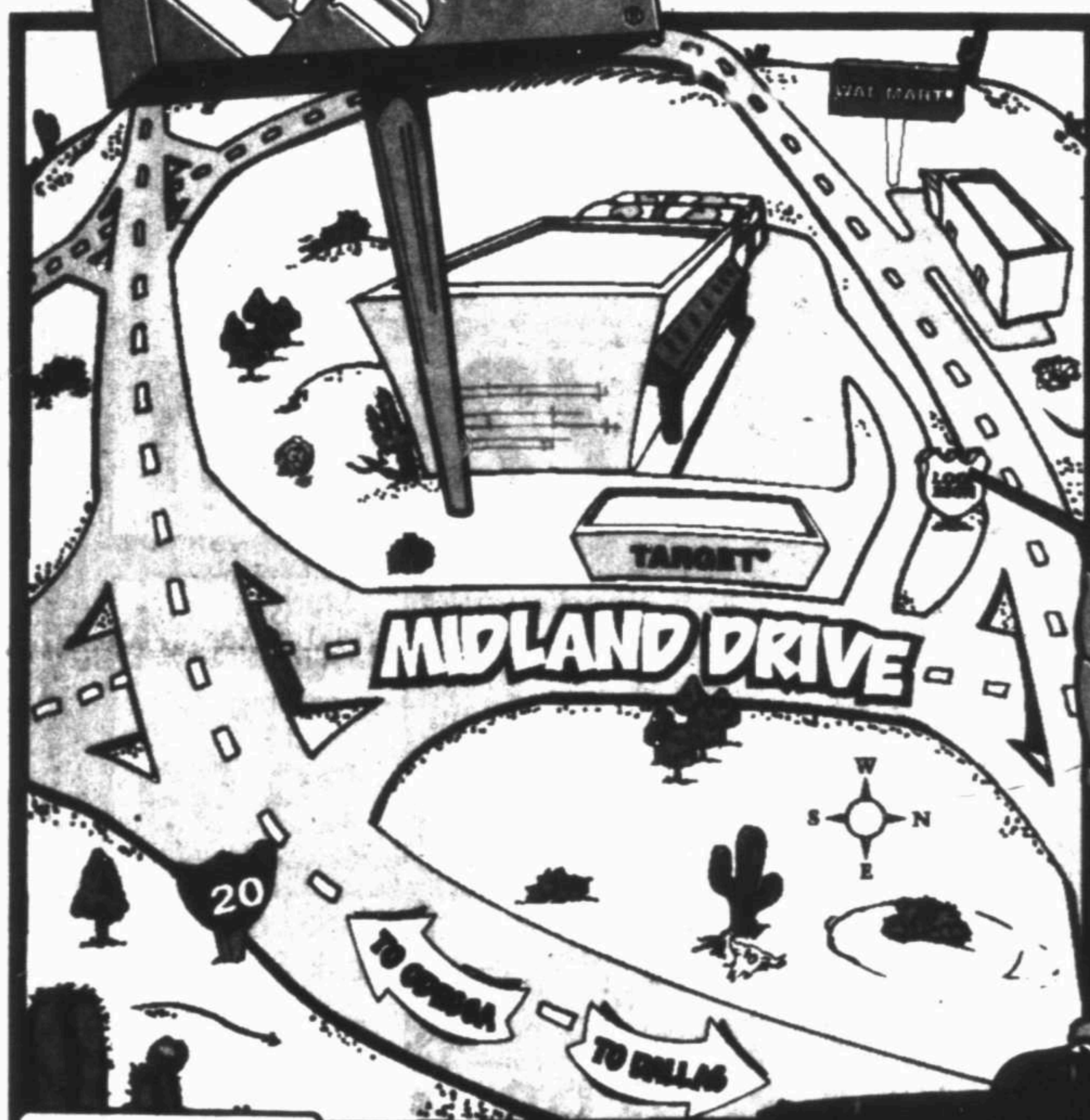
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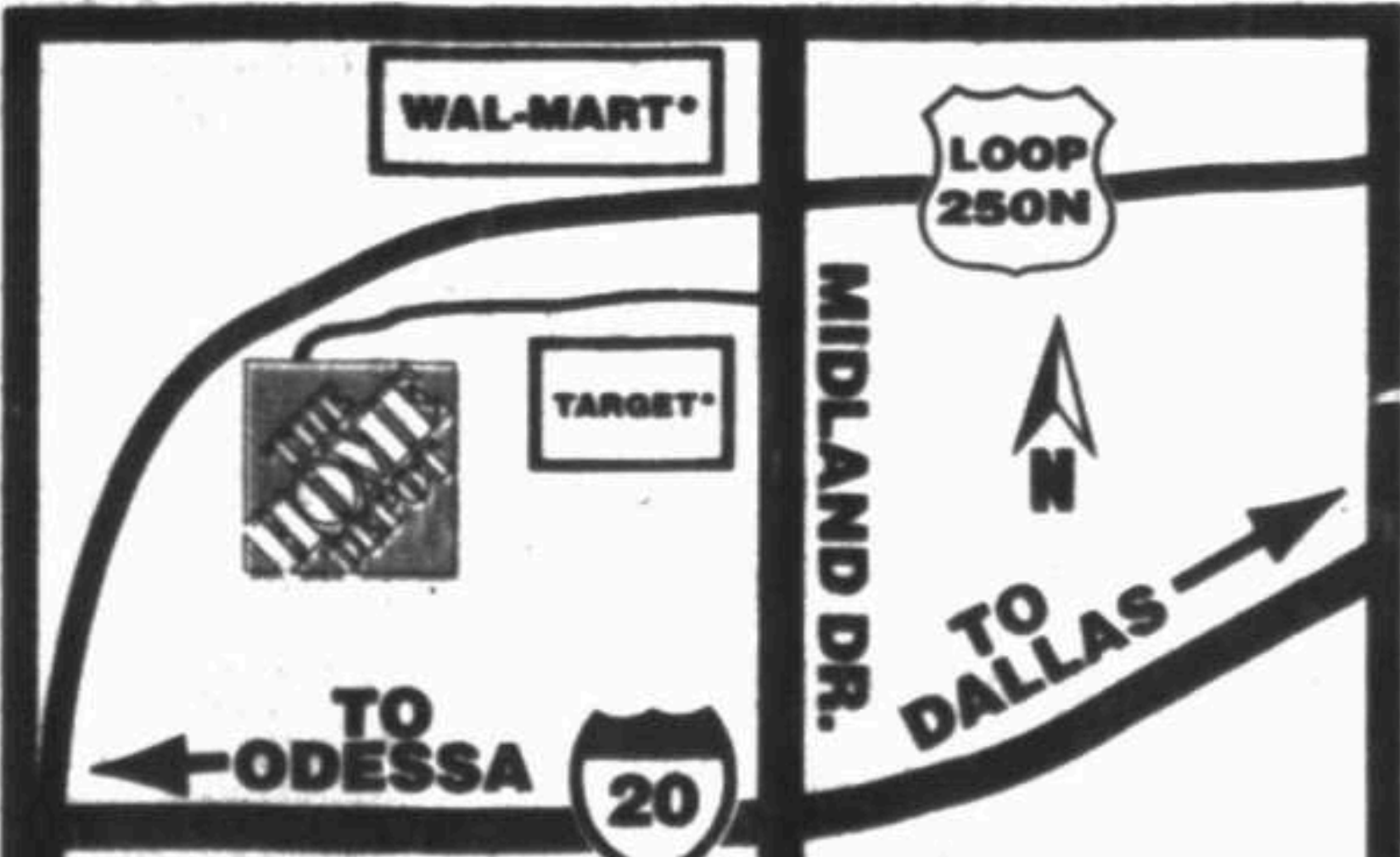
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RELIGION IN BRIEF

Rally Day set

Rally Day is set for Sunday at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 N. Garfield St., Sunday with a 10 a.m. gathering in the sanctuary. Singing will be led by the contemporary gospel group, Eternity. The church will gather again at 11 a.m. for a Rally Day worship featuring the music of the Grace Brass Quintet.

Also, a 30-week Bible Study entitled Kerygma: "Discovering the Bible" begin at Aug. 24. The course will be taught by the Rev. Bill Clark during the 9:30 a.m. church school hour.

The course provides participants with a basic understanding of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Registration costs are \$25 per student or \$40 per couple. For more information call the church office, 684-6542.

Performance set

The Wares will perform in concert at 6 p.m. Aug. 24 at Cotton Flat Baptist Church, 6409 South Highway 349.

For more information call the church, 684-7562.

'End of life' talk

The Congregational Carte Ministries of First United Methodist Church invite all interested persons to attend a talk given by Dr. David Snyder of Texas Oncology and the Allison Cancer Center.

The subject is "Facing End of Life Issues." The spiritual aspects of death and dying and the current attention in society on assisted suicide and euthanasia will be discussed.

The talk is set for 7 p.m. Aug. 21, in Room 204, First UMC, 305 N. Baird St.

Enrollment planned

The Children's Choirs of Alamo Heights Baptist Church will kick off the new year with a party at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 31. The theme is "Set Sail For a Great Adventure."

An illusionist will be performing at the conclusion of this enrollment event. All children, age 3 through grade 6, are invited to enroll in the choir program and attend this party at the church, 1301 N. Midland Drive. Choir meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays throughout the school year.

Bible study planned

Ladies Evening CBS Bible Study begins Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 00 W. Texas Ave.

All women are invited to join this interdenominational Bible study. The subjects to be studied will be I and II Peter, Daniel and Colossians.

Those needing child care or more information may call Karen, 684-5378, Linda, 683-4109, or Betty, 682-6598.

'Celebration' set

St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 1701 N. Main St., will begin a Sunday 6:30 p.m. service on Sept. 7. The service is entitled "Celebration" and will feature contemporary praise and worship music with a Bible Study.

Also, Ice Cream Freeze Out will be the theme for the Gathering monthly meal set for 6 p.m. Wednesday at the church. Cost is \$2 per person or \$5 per family.

In other business, the worship committee will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the church.

AMOS (Area Missions Outreach Services) is in need of volunteers to help in the food pantry and clothing room. For more information call 687-2667.

Seminar planned

Dr. Judy C. Tucker will present an 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seminar at First Baptist Church, Rooms D 101 and D 103, Aug. 23.

The Seminar is entitled JOSHUA — Journey of Spiritual Healing, Understanding & Acceptance. Cost is \$25 per person and \$40 per couple and covers workbook, syllabus, refreshments, lunch, drinks and a daily devotional guide.

For reservations write Judy C. Tucker, M.D., JOSHUA, P.O. Box 3820, Midland, Texas 79702 or call 684-4070.

Seminar scheduled

The North A Church of Christ, 505 San Angelo St., has invited Family Dynamics Institute to bring its "His Needs, Her Needs" Seminar here in September.

"The seminar teaches couples how to overcome negative habits that affect their relationship and learn to fulfill the five most important emotional needs of each other," said a release from the church.

The seminar is based on Dr. Willard Harley's book of the same title. The book has sold more than 500,000 copies. The seminar consists of eight sessions beginning Sept. 16 held every Tuesday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Each seminar is limited to 12 couples. Cost is \$129.95 per couple. Interested parties are asked to call the church, 682-8653, during office hours.

Revival planned

The Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Midland will be featuring the Rev. Nathan Johnson of the Antioch Baptist Church of Houston in a citywide revival set for Greater St. Luke A.M.E. Church, 401 S. Adams St., Aug. 25-29. Revival services begin at 7:30 p.m.

Johnson is a graduate of Southern University and completed studies at Southwestern Theological Seminary. He is an adult discussion leader, associate dean of Old Landmark district congress and instructor in the National Baptist Congress.

The public is invited to attend.

"Divorce recovery

The Family Ministry of Golf Course Road Church of Christ will hold its annual Divorce Recovery Seminar entitled "Some Answers to the Divorce Dilemma" Sept. 6 in the church's Family Center.

The presenter for the seminar is Tom Vermillion, family minister for the church. He has been a frequent lecturer on the topic of divorce for the past 15 years. Vermillion has been a speaker for many singles groups across the country and is considered to be an authority on the subject due to his biblical research and lengthy ministry to those who are divorced.

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Seminar planned

ODESSA — Fred and Anna Kendall will present the "How Do You Communicate?" Seminar Sept. 5-7 at Prime Time Christian Broadcasting Television Station, 3719 S. County Road 1305.

The couple, founders of the Family Restoration Network, Inc., and Life Languages Institute, Inc., is seen on Prime Time Christian Broadcasting and hosts the television show "Relationships."

The authors of the book "Speaking of Love," the Kendalls utilize "The Seven Behavioral Life Languages of Effective Communication."

Early bird registration is \$115.00 per couple and \$60 per person and must be paid in full by Aug. 22. Regular registration after Aug. 22 is \$145 per couple and \$75 per person.

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To register by telephone call 563-0420, by facsimile, 563-1736, and by mail to Prime Time Christian Broadcasting, P.O. Box 61000, Midland, Texas 79711-1000.

Registration includes a 6:30 to 9 p.m. banquet at the Radisson Hotel, 5200 University. The Radisson is the host hotel and is offering a special rate. For reservations call 1-915-368-5885 or facsimile 1-915-362-8958.

Alpha course set

Exploring the meaning of life, what happens at death, dealing with guilt, and looking at the relevance of Jesus Christ will be covered in a 10-week Alpha course starting Sept. 8 at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church, 2900 Princeton Ave.

Each session will start with a catered dinner in the Parish Hall at 6 p.m. The sessions close at 9 p.m. Weekly topics include "Who is Jesus?" "Why Did He Die?" "How to read the Bible," "Pray and Overcome evil," "Hearing the Holy Spirit" and "Does God Heal Today?"

For more information about

Alpha or to register call the church, 694-8856.

Bible study planned

St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 1701 N. Main St., plans a 34-week disciple Bible study which will begin Sunday.

The study will be led by church member Jamie Jackopin who attended a three-day session in Dallas for the instructor's course. The study is group based and covers around 70 percent of the Bible.

A 2 and a half hour group meeting will be held weekly, and 30 minutes of daily reading will be necessary. A class meeting is planned after Sunday's service at the church to discuss details of time and date for the first class.

Also, the church's Mother's Day Out program is registering children of the fall semester which begins Tuesday. Children ages 6 weeks through 5 years old are welcome. Gymnastics by Midland Trampoline and Tumbling is available. Classes are limited. Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Preschool for the 1997-98 school

year is available from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and will feature the Letter People. Stay-n-Play after preschool is included until 3 p.m. For more information, call Karin Sanford, director, 683-3339 or 697-2649.

Chapman concert set

The husband and wife singing duo of Steve and Annie Chapman will be in concert at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 7 at First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave.

In addition, the couple, who have been called "musical ambassadors to the family" by author and psychologist Dr. James Dobson, will conduct a marriage seminar from 2 to 5 p.m. Sept. 6 entitled "Married Lovers, Married Friends," and perform at First Baptist Church's 8:20, 9:40 and 11 a.m. services Sept. 7.

All events are free. Child care will be provided. The community is invited to attend.

Gene E. Hilburn is serving as the local coordinator. For more information call 683-0645 or 683-0600.

Classes to begin

West Texas Baptist Institute-Seminary will begin its 11th year of school at Tall City Baptist Church, 3500 Anetta Drive, Monday.

Classes begin at 5 p.m. and end at 9:45 p.m. Other classes will be offered during the same hours Tuesday.

Those interested in registering or inquiring about the classes may do so at the church, corner of Thomason Avenue and Anetta Drive, today from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Institute is primarily for any ministerial student interested in seminary education but is available for any person interested in enhancing their Bible knowledge. The president of the Institute is the Rev. W. R. Simpson, pastor of Tall City Baptist Church.

Exercise classes set

Exercise classes for older adults are being held from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday at First United Methodist Church, downtown at Main Street and Ohio Avenue.

The exercises are being led by Evelyn Glover of Nurses Unlimited in the Fellowship Hall. Classes are open to the public at no charge.

Fall Bazaar planned

The Holy Cross Lutheran Church Women's Guild is preparing for its Fifth Annual Fall Bazaar set for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 20 at the Midland County Exhibit Building.

Booths are available for the bazaar. For more information call 520-3194.

ARMED FORCES NEWS

Air force Airman 1st class David Evans has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.



Evans

Evans is the son of Michael and Ginny Evans of Midland and is a 1996 graduate of Lee High School.

Wood most recently served at

Naval Air Station in Kingsville. The 1967 graduate of Lee High School joined the Navy in September 1971. Wood is a 1996 graduate of Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill., with a BS degree.



Lann

Air Force Airman Colton Lann has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

Lann is the son of Boyce and Karen Lann of Midland and is a 1994 graduate of Greenwood High School.

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ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

Exhibition set

ODESSA — Odessa College's Options Gallery in the Learning Resources Center presents an exhibition entitled "The Eternal Rag and Bone Show of the Heart" by David Heath through Aug. 19. Gallery hours are 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday. For more information call 1-915-335-6646.

"Trilogy," an exhibition of paintings, prints and pottery created by OC art professor Barry Phillips the Elder, will be on exhibit Aug. 27-Sept. 27 in OC's Options Gallery. The show is a continuation of Phillips' "Odin Odysseys" series and includes monotypes, watercolors and pit-fired pottery.

Concert planned

ODESSA — "Marching to Mars," An evening with Sammy Hagar, comes to Ector County Coliseum Sept. 2.

Scheduled to take off at 8 p.m., doors to the concert open at 7 p.m. This is Hagar's first solo headline tour in 13 years. "Marching to Mars" marks Hagar's return to the music scene since his departure from Van Halen more than a year ago.

General admission for "Marching to Mars" is \$25 plus a \$3 shipping and handling charge. Tickets can be purchased at Endless Horizons, Odessa, and CD Warehouse, Midland. To charge by telephone call 1-800-654-9545. American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

The concert is sponsored by KWEST-TV Channel 9, The Odessa American, KBAT and KCDQ.

Museum talk set

"The Donald Judd Box and other South Texas Art Controversies" is the topic for Bill Otton's talk at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 21.

The lecture is the final in the museum's Coffee and Dessert Lecture Series being held in conjunction with the exhibition "Texas Abstract: New Paintings in the Nineties."

Ottom, director of the Art Museum of South Texas at Corpus Christi, says, "Abstraction challenges most adults living in smaller American cities." His talk discussing abstraction springs from "trials and tribulations which have occurred" at his museum. He will speak about modern art from a general museum visitor's point of view.

"Texas Abstract" will be on view through Aug. 24. The children's abstract art exhibition, "My Child Can Do That!," also continues through Aug. 24.

Hours are 10 a.m. through 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 683-2882 or 570-7770.

Tours offered

This summer, the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame, 1500 Interstate 20 West, is offering free docent tours of the modern drilling rig from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sundays.

The tour includes a brief description of how the rig works and a chance to go up on the rig floor. For more information call Kathy Shannon at the museum, 683-4403.

Exhibit to close

ODESSA — "Ector County Ranching: The Story of R.W. Smith," another in a series of exhibits on local ranching history, closes Aug. 23 at the Parker House Museum, 1118 Maple Ave.

Smith, who first saw Odessa in 1887 while herding cattle for the C.C. Slaughter ranch, bought land in 1906 in northwest Ector County for a ranch that is still owned and operated by the family.

Also at the Parker House is "Border Studies," an exhibition of fine photographs of eight outstanding Texas photographers made available by the Texas Humanities resource Center of Austin. The exhibit comprises 36 photographic studies of people and scenes on both sides of the Rio Grande. "Border Studies" runs through Sept. 20.

Group visits may be arranged by calling Julie Breaux, house coord-

inator, 1-915-335-0918.

Exhibition to close

An exhibition of watercolor monotype prints from the Kathleen Kuchar workshop held here in May closes Wednesday in the McCormick Gallery, Midland College Allison Fine Arts building.

MC hours this week are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Ms. Kuchar is professor of art at Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kansas. Participants showing their work include Carol Bailey, Kitt Beck, Virginia Hanley, Joyce Howell, Cindy Johnson, Karen Lanier, Kent Moss, Susan Randle, Judy Reagle, Becki Smith, Janet Whitman and Rebecca Wiggins.

Watercolor monotype is a unique print-making process.

Paintings displayed

Charlotte Seay is exhibiting her water media paintings in the casual dining room at Midland Country Club this month.

Mrs. Seay, the Distinguished Artist of the 1997 celebration of the Arts and the immediate past president of the Texas Watercolor Society and exhibition chairman of the 1997 national exhibition held recently at the Museum of the Southwest.

Festival planned

MARFA — The Marfa Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 11th Annual Marfa Lights Festival Labor Day Weekend, Aug. 29-30, here.

Booth space reservations are now being taken for the courthouse activities. Deadline for reserving space is Aug. 22.

The event includes a parade, a 5K Run, street dance, and open air concert featuring Emilio and La Diferencia. For more information call the Marfa Chamber of Commerce, 1-915-729-4942, or write to P.O. Box 635, Marfa, Texas 79843.

Concerts conclude

ODESSA — The Back Porch Swing concert series concludes at

8 p.m. Friday at the Presidential Museum, 622 N. Lee St., with Andy Wilkinson, Aug. 22.

Back Porch Swing is sponsored by the Odessa Cultural Council, the Midland Reporter-Telegram, The Odessa American, Parkway Inn, Endless Horizons and KWES, Channel 9. For more information call 1-915-332-7123.

Live entertainment

ODESSA — Chelsea Street Pub and Grill, located in the Music City Mall here, features live entertainment beginning at 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Those attending are asked to use the outside entrance after mall hours.

Upcoming performances include Allan Mayes, Aug. 18-20; Rocky Richardson, Aug. 21-23; David Trout, Aug. 25-30; Billy Pritchard, Sept. 8-13; Allan Mayes, Sept. 15-20; Karaoke, Sept. 22-23; Electric Gypsies, Sept. 24-27; and Billy Pritchard, Sept. 29-30. For more information call Chelsea's at 1-915-368-0949.

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SPORTS

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Midland Reporter-Telegram
Sunday, August 17, 1997

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SPORTS BRIEFING

TV Sports

GOLF — PGA Championship, final round, 9:30 p.m., TBS.
PGA Championship, final round, 12:30 p.m., CBS.
AUTO RACING — NASCAR Winston Cup Series, DeVilbiss 400, 11:30 a.m., ESPN.
CART World Series, 2:30 p.m., ESPN.
IRL New England 200, 3 p.m., ABC.
NFL — Preseason, Denver Broncos at New England Patriots, noon, NBC.
Detroit Lions at Pittsburgh Pirates, 7 p.m., TNT.
BASEBALL — Texas Rangers at New York Yankees, 12:30 p.m., FOX.
Philadelphia Phillies at Houston Astros, 1:30 p.m., FSS.
Chicago Cubs at San Diego Padres, 3 p.m., WGN.
Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals, 7 p.m., ESPN.
TENNIS — RCA Championships, championship match, 3 p.m., NBC.
Pilot Pen International, championship match (same-day tape), 4:30 p.m., ESPN.
BEACH VOLLEYBALL — AVP Miller Lite Open, 5 p.m., FSS.
SOCCER — CISL, Washington Warhogs at Dallas Sidekicks, 7 p.m., FSS.

Texas Scores

BASEBALL — Texas Rangers 8, New York Yankees 5, 10 innings.
Philadelphia Phillies 5, Houston Astros 3.
TEXAS LEAGUE — El Paso Diablos 17, Midland Angels 5.

Sports Today

TEXAS LEAGUE — El Paso Diablos at Midland Angels, 6 p.m., Christensen Stadium. RADIO: KCBS (550 AM).

Ravens ink top pick

BALTIMORE — Peter Boulware ended his five-week holdout Saturday, agreeing to terms with the Baltimore Ravens on a six-year, \$18.5 million contract, the team announced.

Boulware, the fourth player selected in the 1997 NFL draft, plans to practice in full pads with Baltimore for the first time Monday. The Ravens hope the 6-foot-4, 258-pound rookie will learn the system in time to be their starting strong side linebacker in the regular-season opener Aug. 31, at home against Jacksonville.

Boulware joined the team Saturday night in Philadelphia for the team's game against the Eagles. He was to sign the contract Sunday, said team spokeswoman Francine Lubera.

When asked if he would be ready for the season opener, Boulware said Saturday night, "I think it's realistic to say I can be ready. It's just going to take a lot of hard work and some extra time. I'm going to be focused and really put my mind to it."

He downplayed the irritation he caused Ravens owner Art Modell by holding out until he got the contract, he wanted.

"The business part has to be done. You work hard to get where you want to get and you need to get what you want. It's nothing personal, it's just business," he said.

After enjoying three stellar seasons as an All-America defensive end at Florida State, Boulware now has only two weeks to become comfortable with a new position in Baltimore's 4-3 defense. The tutelage began in minicamp, but the progress was halted when Boulware's holdout formally began at the July 14 start of training camp.

WNBA Record

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Charlotte Sting got something better than an attendance record Saturday.

Andrea Stinson upstaged WNBA scoring leader Cynthia Cooper with a 25-point performance and Charlotte enhanced its bid to secure the league's fourth and final playoff spot with an 80-71 victory over the Comets.

Rhonda Mapp added 17 points and eight rebounds and Andrea Congreaves had 14 points for the Sting in front of a raucous gathering of 18,937 at the Charlotte Coliseum, the largest crowd in the history of women's pro basketball.

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The Nike Permian Basin Open, which will be played this week at The Club at Mission Dorado, set record totals for revenue and charitable donations under Bob Glast, in his first year as tournament director.

Good business brings Nike Tour back to Permian Basin

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

In January, Odessa businessman Bob Glast announced that a group had come forward to save the Nike Permian Basin Open from a certain death.

Now, eight months after hitting rock bottom, the PBO is ready to tee off at The Club at Mission Dorado for its fifth straight year with the uncertainty of last winter replaced by record-breaking financial totals. It has made for good business.

"Running a tournament is a business," Glast said. "If you run it like a business, it will be more

successful. It is like a \$400,000 business whose sole business is running a golf tournament."

Glast has taken the business of the Nike PBO to another level. Tournament revenue has exceeded the \$400,000 mark, which eclipses the old tournament record (\$317,797). Also, the PBO has already set a new standard for charitable contributions. Glast thinks that number could climb to \$80,000, which would be more than the past two years combined.

"Financially, we did better than I thought it would," Glast said. "Based on the tournament's

Please see NIKE/6C

Leonard, Love create PGA duel

■ PGA Championship comes down to two tied golfers who lead rest of field by 7 strokes.

By Ron Sirak
AP Golf Writer

MAMARONECK, N.Y. — The greens at Winged Foot had the yellow sheen of aged wax on a linoleum floor, putted just as fast and sent all but Justin Leonard and Davis Love III slipping away at the PGA Championship.

The pressure on Saturday was as suffocating as the stifling heat and humidity and only Leonard and Love kept their cool, moving seven strokes ahead of their nearest challengers going into Sunday's final round.

Leonard, the British Open champion trying to become the first to win consecutive major titles since Nick Price in 1994, played with enormous control, never trying to impose his will on Winged Foot, and set the course record with a 65.

Love, trying to win his first major championship, was nowhere near as precise with his play but responded with some cool of his own on a sticky day when double and triple bogeys abounded. He made three crucial putts down the stretch to finish with a 66.

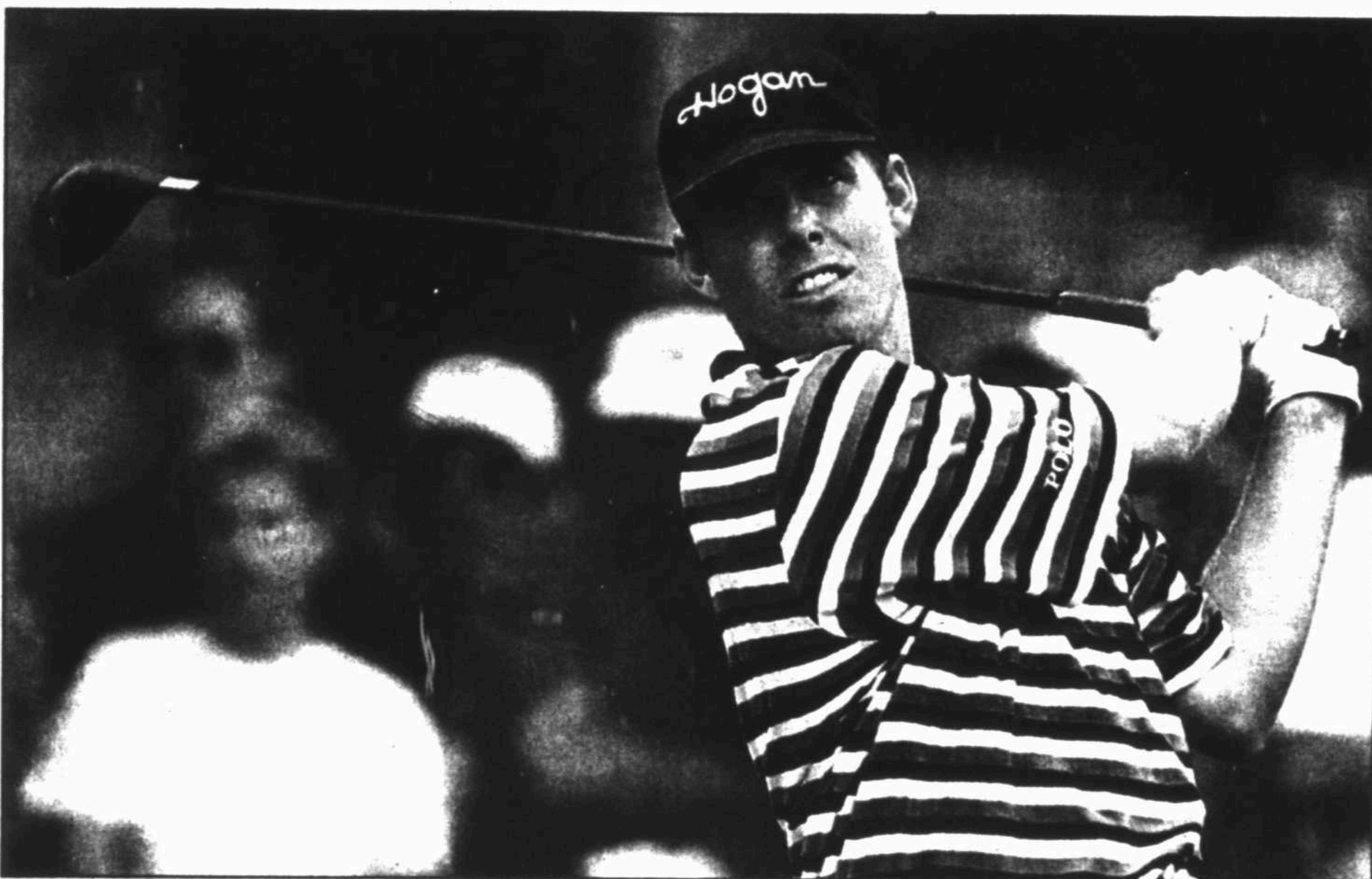
Leonard and Love virtually eliminated everyone else in the field on a tense afternoon of golf interrupted by a two-hour rain delay.

On a day when the temperature climbed into the 90s and the humidity made it feel like 103 degrees, 15 players started the round under par but only Leonard and Love were in red numbers when play ended.

That broke the record-low of three players under par after three rounds set in the 1975 PGA at Firestone in Ohio.

Sunday's showdown was set up when Leonard made a ticklish 8-foot, downhill birdie putt on the final hole to get in at 7-under-par 203 after three rounds.

Love, playing three holes behind



Justin Leonard tees off on No. 8 during Saturday's third round of the PGA Championship at Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, N.Y. Leonard enters today's final round tied for the lead with Davis Love III at 7-under par.

Leonard, made two 10-foot par-saving putts on Nos. 16 and 17 then made virtually the same putt as Leonard on the final green for a 66 to also be at 203.

"Leonard has the advantage of coming off a recent success while Love carries the burden of being one of the best golfers in the world without a major championship title."

"I think my experience from the British Open enabled me to play well

today," Leonard said. "Having been in that situation just four weeks ago, I think I'll be able to draw on that experience and that should help me tomorrow."

Love will play the round lugging the excess baggage of expectation.

"I'm going to have that trying-to-win-the-first-one pressure," he said. "But it all comes down to who can hit the best shots."

None of the contenders after 36 holes

Please see PGA/4C

New Baylor coach tells it like it is

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

WACO — New Baylor head coach Dave Roberts was speaking to a group of boosters recently when someone asked about the team's depth on the offensive line.

"There is none," he told the crowd.

That's probably not the best way to talk people into buying season tickets, but it's a heck of a way for the new boss to let fans know he tells it like it is.

"I don't know if they particularly liked what they heard, but I think I was honest," said Roberts, who could've taken the easy way out and blamed predecessor Chuck Reedy for leaving him such a mess.

"Was I making an excuse? Heavens no. That's just the way it is. ... But I also told them those seven players are going to be ready to play, and they better be ready to play multiple positions."

Maybe the crowd shouldn't have been surprised by Roberts' bluntness.

Since being hired in December, the former Notre Dame offensive coordinator with a decade of head coaching experience has shown he's a no-nonsense guy by dismissing or suspending 10 players for various disciplinary reasons.

There are no sacred cows with Roberts. Three of the punished players were offensive linemen, leading to that depth problem. Another was Jeff Watson, the



Baylor is counting on running back Jerod Douglas to gain a lot of yards this season.

starting quarterback coming out of spring practice. Roberts has let many of the players return, including Watson. Still, the coach made his point.

"He came in and kicked some players off the team, which was definitely needed," offensive lineman David Davis said. "He's also instilled the work ethic we haven't had in a long time. That's what we need."

Please see BAYLOR/5C



Three Midland youths, from left, Stephanie Byrd, Tim Parnell and Jarod Tracy, spent an enjoyable and educational summer playing soccer in Europe.

Midland youngsters find out how intense soccer is played in Europe

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

A trio of Midland youths got an eye-opening soccer experience during a recent trip to Spain. They found out that not only is the style of play different but also the intensity and dedication.

Stephanie Byrd, 12, Tim Parnell, 16, and 11-year-old Jarod Tracy were part of the Moffat European Soccer tours this summer competing in tournaments which featured youth soccer teams from more than 24 countries.

Of their respective teams, Byrd's Flame United U-14 girls team had the most success. The team, which consisted of players from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma, finished second in the Donosti Cup, an international youth soccer tournament held in San Sebastian. Byrd's team was the only team from the U.S. to place in the cup. The Flame United team later was the only American team to capture a championship in the Costa Blanca tournament.

"It was pretty tough playing over there," said Byrd, a seventh grader at Alamo Junior High. "In all the different competitions, the style of play was a bit rough. It's really different than how they play here in the U.S. The refs don't call everything like they call it here. They're more physical."

Right from the start, the youths realized that soccer is king in Europe when they went to opening ceremonies and saw a stadium filled with paid spectators. Even on the Spanish street, Byrd would get asked about the medal she had won.

"We just had to adapt — if not we just wouldn't make it," said Parnell, a sophomore at Midland High School and a veteran of the Moffat Tours with a trip to England in 1992.

Please see SOCCER/2C

Diablos destroy Angels, 17-5

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

This is supposed to be the series with El Paso where the Midland Angels make one of those fairy tale runs to get back in the Texas League West second half race, but the Diablos didn't play the right role Saturday.

El Paso whipped the Angels 17-5 in the first game of the five-game set at Christensen Stadium to spill Midland to a full seven games behind these Diablos. The Angels now officially have their backs to the wall, needing at least a sweep of the remaining home games this season to have any hopes of seeing playoff action.

But El Paso knows this playoff business better than any team in the West Division. The Diablos have been in the playoffs every year since 1990, except 1995, the year the Angels got in.

And manager Dave Machemer's crew looks to know the part again this year. El Paso must win the second half title to get back to the playoffs and they own a three-game lead over the West field.

El Paso, which carries a team batting average over .305, showed again Saturday that big bats are lethal weapons in comfortable Christensen Stadium. The Diablos blasted out 19 hits against four Midland hurlers, scoring at least three runs off all four of them.

And they won this one with every kind of hit you can muster in baseball. As a team, the Diablos hit for the cycle twice with five doubles, two triples and two home runs. And even when they hit little flares, like the one by Kevin Barker in the sixth inning, it seemed like two runs would score.

Barker's little Texas League knock in the sixth was good for two runs, but he also nailed a three-run

homer off Midland starter Fausto Macey (6-6) for five RBIs on the night.

El Paso shortstop Danny Klassen played only six innings, but had two hits and three RBIs, including a two-run homer in the first off Macey to set the tone for the night that was still to come. Center fielder Greg Martinez had three hits, including a rare two triples in one game. Third baseman Mike Kinkade had three hits and drove in two runs.

Lately, Midland has not been blessed with pitching or defense. In the last three games alone, Midland pitching has given up 38 runs. In the last four games, the Midland defense has committed 12 errors.

In this game, Midland fell behind 7-0 before scoring twice in the third inning. They didn't score again until a two-run break-

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Wetland uses bat to beat former team

By Tom Withers
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — John Wetland was about to make his first trip to the plate in three years, and he had nothing to bring with him.

"I was scrambling to find a bat and a helmet," the Texas closer said.

Wetland, using Billy Ripken's bat and a helmet worn by former Ranger Dean Palmer, hit an RBI double in the 10th inning Saturday and picked up a win against his former team as Texas beat the New York Yankees 8-5.

Wetland, who saved all four of New York's World Series wins last year to be named MVP, doubled off Ramiro Mendoza (4-5) after pinch-hitter Domingo Cedeño's RBI single had given the Rangers a 6-5 lead.

"I just grabbed anything with tape on it," Wetland said. "I don't like pine tar on my hands. You end up throwing 30-foot curveballs."

Wetland (7-2) was batting for the first time since June 14, 1994, when he singled for the Montreal Expos against Pittsburgh.

The reliever, who signed with Texas as a free agent last December, and was making his first mound appearance in Yankee Stadium since last October, has two wins and a save in four appearances against New York this season.

Texas juggled its lineup in the eighth, moving designated hitter Ivan Rodriguez to catcher. The Rangers lost their DH in the switch, forcing the pitcher to bat. Wetland was a 6-for-41 (.146) career hitter in the NL.

Rangers manager Johnny Oates was jokingly asked if he'd use Wetland to hit again.

"Only when necessary," Oates said. "I'll tell you what, his bat can go there anytime as long as he's not carrying it."

Benji Gil added an RBI single in the 10th and Juan Gonzalez went 3-for-4 with three RBIs for Texas.

Third baseman Charlie Hayes had three errors for the Yankees. Joe Girardi tripled and doubled as New York had its winning streak ended at three.

Wetland, who didn't pitch against the Yankees on Texas' last trip to New York, seemed to be in a sour mood afterward despite the win and base hit.

"John didn't want to leave New York," said Texas catcher Jim Leyritz, another World Series hero for the Yankees last fall, "but they didn't make him an offer to come back. I understand his state of mind. You want to beat them, but obviously you have mixed emotions."

Wetland said he didn't have time to reminisce about the past when he took the mound for the ninth inning. The last time he was there, he was mobbed by the Yankees after he got the final out against the Atlanta Braves.

"I allowed myself about five seconds to take a look around," he said.

Darryl Strawberry, reinstated from the disabled list on Friday after being sidelined since April with a knee injury, pinch-hit in the eighth for New York and drew a two-out walk.

Held to four hits through seven innings, the Yankees tied it 5-5 in the eighth on Chad Curtis' two-out homer off Danny Patterson.

Lee Stevens had given the Rangers a 5-4 lead in the top of the inning with his 13th homer.

Hayes' third error helped Texas take a 4-3 lead in the seventh on Gonzalez's sacrifice fly.

Hayes was charged with a two-base error when he couldn't throw with Gil's leadoff smash against New York starter Andy Pettitte. Gil moved up on a single and scored on Gonzalez's fly to right.

"It was one of those days," New York manager Joe Torre said of Hayes' troubles, "when you can't hide. The ball finds you."

New York tied it in the bottom of the inning on Tino Martinez's sacrifice fly, the first basemen's major league-leading 115th RBI.

Staked to a 3-0 lead after three, Texas starter Darren Oliver carried a one-hitter into the fifth when he walked the first two batters. He gave up a one-out RBI single to Derek Jeter, but got Tim Lincecum to pop up and retired Williams on a hard liner to left.

Consecutive walks to Martinez and Mike Stanley to open the sixth ended Oliver's day. Matt Whiteside struck out the first two batters he faced before Girardi gapped a triple to right-center, the catcher's first triple since Game 6 of last year's World Series.

Jefferies' homer off Wagner allows Phils to edge Astros

By Michael A. Lutz
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — The Philadelphia Phillies know they're not going to the playoffs. They're not exactly helping the Houston Astros get there, either.

Gregg Jefferies hit a two-run homer in the ninth inning off closer Billy Wagner and the Phillies rallied to beat the Astros 5-3 Saturday for their sixth straight victory.

Phillies manager Terry Francona called the game one of the Phillies' best of the year.

"We were down 3-0, but against (Darryl) Kile it seemed like help," Francona said. "We didn't quit. We kept coming back."

The Phillies last won six in a row in June 1995. They have won 14 of 17 overall.

"Everybody here is having a lot of fun right now," starting pitcher Tyler Green said. "We know we're not going to the World Series but we can build on this. It's a great feeling. I think we could get used to it."

The game marked the third straight loss for the NL Central-leading Astros. It also prevented Kile from winning his 10th straight decision and becoming the league's first 17-game winner.

Kile took a 3-2 lead into the eighth, but Scott Rolen led off with a single. Wagner relieved with two outs and gave up a tying single to pinch-hitter Kevin Jordan.

"It's kind of tough to play a last place team, but they've been kicking our butts all year," shortstop

Tim Bogar said. It's frustrating but the bottom line is, they're not as bad as their record."

Wagner (7-5) walked Mickey Morandini with one out in the ninth and Jefferies hit his 11th homer of the season over the left-field fence.

"I told myself if he throws me a curveball he's going to strike me out," Jefferies said. "I was sitting on his fastball. A guy throwing that hard, you have to. I sat on his fastball and fortunately I got one."

Wagner was disappointed with his fast ball to Jordan.

"What can you say? Jefferies hit 97 mph fastball inside," Wagner said. "Show me someone who hits that consistently and I'll get worried. The only pitch I'd take back was the one to Jordan."

"I'm just going to continue throwing the fastball. If they can hit it, they'll hit it."

Jerry Spradlin (2-6) pitched one inning for the win. Ricky Bottalico pitched the ninth for his 23rd save.

Kile allowed nine hits, struck out four and walked one in 7 2-3 innings.

"I felt pretty good, they guys are just playing pretty well, they kept scraping until the got the lead," Kile said. "I left a couple of pitches up and they got some hits but we played a great game."

The Astros led 3-0 after five innings. Rico Brogna singled home a run in the Phillies sixth and Morandini doubled home a run in the seventh.

ANGELS: El Paso romps

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through in the eighth, but El Paso, meanwhile, was putting runs on the board all night.

But El Paso has shown Midland that big bats are more important than fielding statistics. For instance, third baseman Kinkade (54) and shortstop Klassen (46) have committed 100 errors between them this year. Yet, Kinkade is hitting at a .372 clip while Klassen is hitting at a .328 clip. Scott Krause is hitting .361 as Kinkade and Krause lead the league in hitting and Klassen ranks seventh. This is the "Killer K's" at work.

Midland's Aaron Guilel (.336) ranks fourth in the league in hitting and Jamie Burke (.327) ranks eighth. That also shows why 22 runs scored in this game as Guilel and Burke both drove in runs.

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SOCCER: Youngsters tour Europe

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"The style of play was a lot more technical. Our team got our butts kicked. It happens. I even got sick and lost 12 pounds."

"But it was a good experience and something I would like to do again."

"They play a lot rougher over there," said Tracy, a sixth grader at Travis Elementary. "I did meet a lot of people and I learned a lot of new moves."

Just by witnessing how the Europeans take the sport seriously, there developed a new respect for the sport of soccer.

"By playing somewhere where

soccer is a loved sport, you tend to appreciate it a lot more than what we do over here," Parnell said. "By playing soccer you learn how to love it."

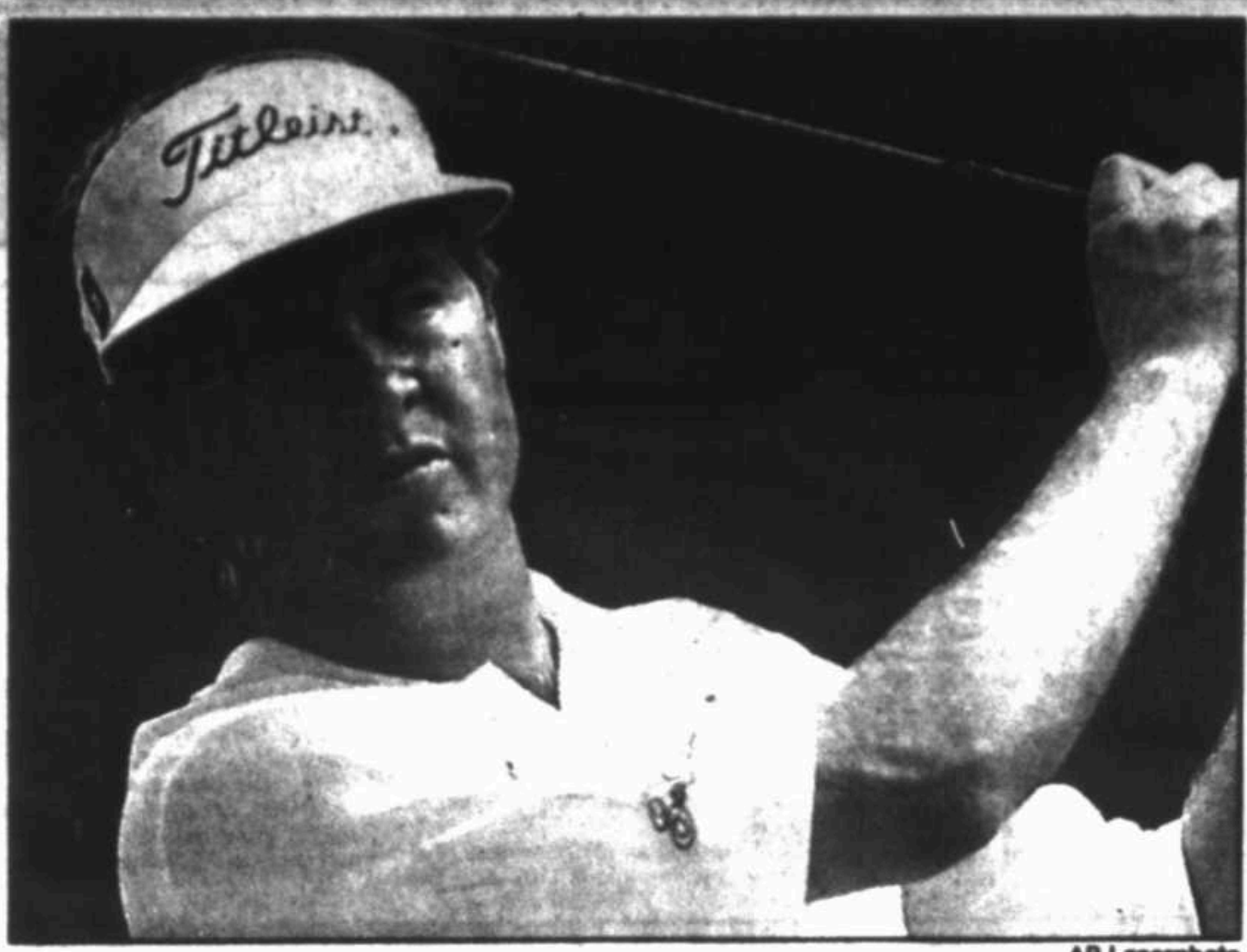
Other than playing some good competition, the trio said they had a lot of fun. The only negative thing about the experience was maybe getting used to the food, which included rock-hard bread with every meal.

"We met a lot of good people, plus I got to learn some Spanish, which I didn't know," Byrd said. "It was very pretty there with a lot of mountains with pretty beaches."

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Davis Love III watches — with one eye — his drive from the 5th tee during Saturday's third round of the PGA Championship at Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, N.Y. Love is tied for the lead with Justin Leonard.

PGA: Leonard, Love lock up

(From 1C)

The Winged Foot course, soft and somewhat receptive in the first two rounds, was in no joking mood on Saturday.

Strokes seemed to pour from the players like sweat.

"This afternoon it was a completely different golf course than we played the first couple of days," Love said. "The greens were a lot faster and a lot harder and a lot more difficult."

Among those who lost their cool was Woods, who made two double bogeys and shot a 71, and John Daly, who tossed his driver over a fence on the 12th tee in a fit of anger. His hopes evaporated with a 77 to be at 216.

Leonard, however, was a picture of calm perfect as he manipulated his way around the course to a bogey-free round.

"I hit the ball more solidly today," Leonard said after he hit every fairway and 15 of the 18 greens, unlike his brilliant scrambling efforts of the first two rounds.

"I kept the ball in play and put the ball in the middle of the fairway," he said. "It seemed like I always had the right club and was pin-high all day. It's fun to be able to two-putt for pars."

Leonard needed only 50 putts the first two days as he continually made 5-footers for par. His driving and iron play was simply perfect on Saturday, taking the pressure off his putter and wedge.

"I just try to stay in the hole," Leonard said. "Guys are going to make mistakes out here."

Love, who has 10 career victories but has yet to win a major championship, also made few mistakes.

"I don't think I've ever been as comfortable in a big tournament with the way I'm playing," said Love, who needed a 12-foot putt to win the U.S. Open last year but three-putted to hand the victory to Steve Jones.

Webb fires course record in England

SUNNINGDALE, England (AP) — Karrie Webb fired a course-record 9-under-par 63 Saturday and extended her lead to eight strokes after the third round of the Women's British Open.

Webb, who won the title by six strokes in 1995, eagled the second and 14th holes — both par-5s — and made six birdies en route to an 18-under 198 total with one round to play in the \$900,000 event.

"I'm ecstatic, speechless — this

Love made only one bogey on a day when no aspect of the course was easy.

"You have to be really good off the tee, really good into the green and then all the work starts," Love said about the difficulty of the greens.

Greg Norman, who was in the hunt until he made a double bogey on No. 16 and a bogey at the 17th to fall 3 over par, said the "greens are 2 feet faster today than they were yesterday."

The round started with Janzen playing in the same group with Love and one stroke ahead of him at 4 under par. But a two-stroke swing at the sixth, when Love made a birdie and Janzen — who hit into a divot — made a bogey, put Love in the lead.

Janzen fell further behind with bogeys at the 11th and the 14th holes.

Woods floated into and out of the picture as he once again was plagued by big-number holes in a major championship. He made a double bogey on No. 4 when he drove into the right rough, chunked it back to the fairway then hit the right bunker and couldn't get up-and-down.

He made an eagle on the 12th but bogeyed No. 13 when he drove into the right rough. He then made a sensational birdie on the 16th hole when he drove into the left trees and hit a cut 6-iron from 157 yards under the limbs that bounced several times and trickled to within 9 feet of the hole.

But he finished with a double bogey and a bogey on the last two holes and walked off the final green as if he had injured himself hitting out of the thick rough.

"There's nothing wrong," Woods said. "I'm just angry."

Anger is not an emotion that will win at Winged Foot on Sunday.

If Leonard and Love can keep their cool in the final round it should be a compelling finish to the PGA Championship.

Frustrated Daly hurls driver over fence

By John Diamond
Associated Press Writer

MAMARONECK, N.Y. — The words are stitched into the back pocket of his pants: "Grip it and rip it." On Saturday, John Daly put a new spin on that: Grip it and throw it — his driver, that is.

Daly, looking to salvage a bad day on the 12th tee at Winged Foot Golf Club in the PGA Championship, bombed his drive over the trees and into the 17th fairway.

Turning away in disgust, Daly hurled his Callaway "Biggest Big Bertha" over an out-of-bounds fence and into the woods.

A couple of marshals scrambled over a chain-link fence after the club, found it in a patch of low growth that bore a close resemblance to poison ivy and ran the club up the fairway. By the 13th tee it was back in Daly's bag — though it would come out again only once more.

Perhaps not since Tommy Bolt pitched his driver into the lake on the 18th hole at Cherry Hills Country Club in the 1960 U.S. Open has

so prominent a player put on such a display of temper in a major championship. One bright side of Daly's poor play was that there were no more TV cameras following him to record the event.

Daly finished with a round of 77 and he plummeted off the leader board.

"On No. 12, if I hit my driver straight, I've got a 9-iron or wedge into the green," Daly said afterward. That's the green on a 540-yard par-5 hole, by the way. "I blocked it way right and I made a bogey."

Daly's round was entertaining, if not under par. On the front-nine, he made two double-bogeys, two bogeys and two birdies.

His tendency to go right with the driver began to show itself over these holes. On the 324-yard par-4 sixth, Daly went for the green, hit some trees instead, flopped a wedge into a bunker, blasted above the hole — a deadly sin at Winged Foot — and three-putted from there for his six.

It was just one of five drivers Daly sprayed to the right, the last one coming on the 12th, just before he

helicoptered his club into the woods.

After the round a reporter asked Daly at what point in his career did he learn to avoid "playing dumb" and manage his way around a golf course.

"I still haven't learned," Daly replied. "When I'm on the tee box and I feel like I can hit the driver, I hit it ... I don't consider it dumb, I just consider it aggressive."

Daly, who started the day 1-under and only three shots out of the lead, was paired with Greg Norman, and their styles of play contrasted sharply. Norman, who burst to fame in the early 1980s on the strength of his long game, now relies on straight-hitting and excellent play on and around the greens.

There were a few shouts of "go Shark," but the bulk of the crowd seemed to be there to see Daly, exhorting him every step of the way, even when it became clear his round was spiraling downward. Daly's 77 could have been worse. He made pars over the final four holes, all long par-4s.

Just after Daly finished on the

18th, Norman was standing over an 18-foot birdie putt he needed for a 73 when play was suspended due to a thunderstorm. After a delay of nearly two hours, Norman returned to the 18th green and two-putted for a four-over 74.

A PGA Tour official who declined to give his name said that once the bad-weather horn sounded, Norman was required to stop. Norman argued vociferously, but to no avail. Asked how close he had been to hitting his putt before the horn, Norman said, "One second."

Daly said the problem wasn't his own strategy but the difficulty of the golf course.

"The golf course is hard. It's frustrating out there," Daly said. "Anything can happen on this golf course and I found that out today."

Daly has one more day to grip it and rip it at Winged Foot. Given the narrowness of the fairways, he might be well advised to take note of a slogan he has stitched onto the backside of his cap: "Hit it straight, John."

And try not to lose your driver.

Woods shows spectacular play, stubbornness

By Doug Ferguson
AP Sports Writer

MAMARONECK, N.Y. — Tiger Woods can be spectacular.

On a course as punishing as Winged Foot, he can hit a 6-iron from under the trees 171 yards away to within 12 feet of a tightly placed pin and make birdie.

Tiger Woods can be stubborn. At a tournament as important as the PGA Championship, he can go against conventional wisdom and try to reach the green from Winged Foot's wicked rough — and pay the price.

Instead of moving into contention in the third round on Saturday, Woods moved all over the leaderboard.

And when he rolled in a 5-footer to save bogey on the 18th green, Woods limped off with a 1-over-par 71 that left him seven strokes behind. From the way he was walking, it looked like Woods may have injured his groin on another vicious swing from the rough.

Asked whether he was hurt, Woods replied, "Yeah. I hurt my ego."

Since he overwhelmed Augusta to win the Masters by a record 12 strokes, Woods has been shooting himself out of major championships.

He had three double bogeys at the U.S. Open by trying to ignore the rough of Congressional. At the British Open, he took a triple bogey and a quadruple bogey out of the gate at Royal Troon, and added another triple to the mix from a bunker on the Postage Stamp par-3 eighth hole.

Already through three rounds of the PGA Championship, he has three double bogeys. That makes 22 strokes lost to par on just nine holes in the last three majors.

"I did make some mental errors, which cost me a couple shots," Woods conceded. "But overall, I was very patient."

That portrays a different kind of round than Woods experienced Saturday.

Every iron he stuck close for an easy birdie was followed by disaster.

It started on the fourth hole with a drive that wound up near a pine tree in matted rough. With the branches restricting his swing, Woods opted against pitching back to the fairway, and a flat, hard swing advanced the ball only about 20 yards — still in the rough.

He tried to run the ball up the green, but wound up with an awkward lie in the bunker and took a double bogey.

The rest of the round was a mix of great shots and ill-advised ones — irons that nestled around the cup for easy birdies, wild swings from the rough that eliminated chances to save par.

Still, Woods got back to 2 under — just three off the lead — with his shot at No. 16, the hole where Phil Mickelson took triple bogey and Greg Norman had a double-bogey 6.

Woods cut a 6-iron around a row of trees, and the ball hopped once on a ramp leading to the green, stopping 12 feet away.

"I was just trying to get the ball in front of the green," Woods said. "That was just one of those shots that came out perfect."

Love moves himself off Ryder Cup bubble

By John Nicholson
Associated Press Writer

MAMARONECK, N.Y. — It's safe to say that Davis Love III is off the Ryder Cup bubble.

When the PGA Championship began, Love held the last of 10 automatic berths for the Sept. 26-28 matches against Europe.

Now, his spot on the team is a lock.

Morgan takes lead to last day

ADA, Mich. (AP) — Gil Morgan shot a 5-under 67 Saturday to take a two-stroke lead after two rounds of the Senior PGA First of America Classic.

Morgan, of Edmond, Okla., who has won three times this year in his rookie season on the Senior Tour, moved to 8-under for the tournament to lead Bob Duval by two strokes. Larry Gilbert, Dave Eichelberger and Gibby Gilbert were four strokes off the pace at Egypt Valley Country Club.

Morgan, who won back-to-back events in early June, eagled the 560-yard par-5 third hole.

is my best score ever," the Australian said. "I've never played that well before."

Webb led by three shots starting the round, but as her closest challengers stumbled, she forged farther ahead despite a bogey.

Rosie Jones moved into second place at 206 with a flawless 6-under-par 66.

England's Lisa Hackney and Scotland's Catriona Matthew were 12 strokes behind Webb at 210.



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Parcells coaches victory against old team

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Bill Parcells won championships with the New York Giants with great defenses. His New York Jets beat his old team on Saturday night with a lot of offense, especially in the second half.

Glenn Foley threw a 40-yard touchdown pass to rookie sensation Dedric Ward and the Jets overcame a 10-point second-half deficit by scoring on four consecutive drives to beat the Giants 27-17. Adrian Murrell scored on a 1-yard run to start the comeback and John Hall kicked field goals of 23 and 29 yards as the Jets (3-0) put together scoring drives of 77, 75, 65 and 51 yards.

Dave Brown threw a 5-yard touchdown to Chris Calloway and Tito Wooten returned a fumble 32 yards for another score as the Giants (1-2) lost their second straight under Jim Fassel. The game was hyped as Parcells' return against the team he led to two Super Bowls. However, there was little emotion in the game that was very sloppy at times.

Chargers 21, Oilers 7
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Injuries aren't stopping the San Diego Chargers from winning. Meanwhile, the Tennessee Oilers are healthy and still haven't won a game in their new home state. Terrell Fletcher scored on a 1-

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yard touchdown run and Jim Everett added a TD pass as the Chargers beat the Oilers 21-7 Saturday night despite losing running back Gary Brown to a knee injury on the second play.

Everett relieved Humphries to start the third quarter with the game tied 7-7, and he drove the Chargers (3-0) 68 yards in nine plays capped by Fletcher's TD for the lead. Two possessions later, Everett hit Ray Crittenden with a 3-yard score that sealed the victory.

Redskins 35, Falcons 31
ATLANTA — The Atlanta Falcons were clearly the better team when the starters were on the field. But the Washington Redskins won the battle of the backups — and the game.

Atlanta, behind Chris Chandler's three touchdown passes, built a 28-6 lead in the first half, but Washington rallied for a 35-31 exhibition victory as Mark Hartsell threw a 10-yard touchdown pass to Christopher Sanders midway through the fourth quarter Saturday night.

Gus Frerotte, playing into the opening minute of the fourth quarter, passed for 248 yards and three touchdowns, pushing the Redskins to 3-0 in the preseason for the first time since 1985.

Bucs 24, Dolphins 10

TAMPA, Fla. — Tampa Bay ended a preseason touchdown drought Saturday night, scoring twice in the first half on the way to a 24-10 victory over the Miami Dolphins.

Trent Dilfer ran 2 yards on a perfectly executed quarterback bootleg play for the Buccaneers' first TD in three exhibitions. Dilfer later threw 7 yards to Karl Williams for a 14-10 halftime lead.

The start of the game was delayed 55 minutes because of lightning that prevented the teams from getting onto the field for warmups until after the scheduled 7:30 p.m. opening kickoff.

Eagles 24, Ravens 13
PHILADELPHIA — Even though Ricky Watters will get most of the carries in the regular season, backup running back Charlie Garner reassured the Philadelphia Eagles he can also do the job.

Garner had 72 total yards and a touchdown as the Eagles won their first exhibition game, 24-13, over the Baltimore Ravens Saturday night.

The Ravens, who dropped to 0-3 in the exhibition season, didn't have an offensive touchdown, scoring on Jermaine Lewis' 74-yard punt return and two Matt Stover field goals.

Bengals 37, Vikings 13
CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati

Bengals' new defense finally clicked Saturday night, returning a fumble and an interception for touchdowns that set up a 37-13 victory over the Minnesota Vikings.

Brad Johnson threw two interceptions and fumbled in little more than a half, accounting for three of the Vikings' five turnovers. Minnesota (2-2) finally broke the shutout on Randall Cunningham's touchdown pass with five minutes to play.

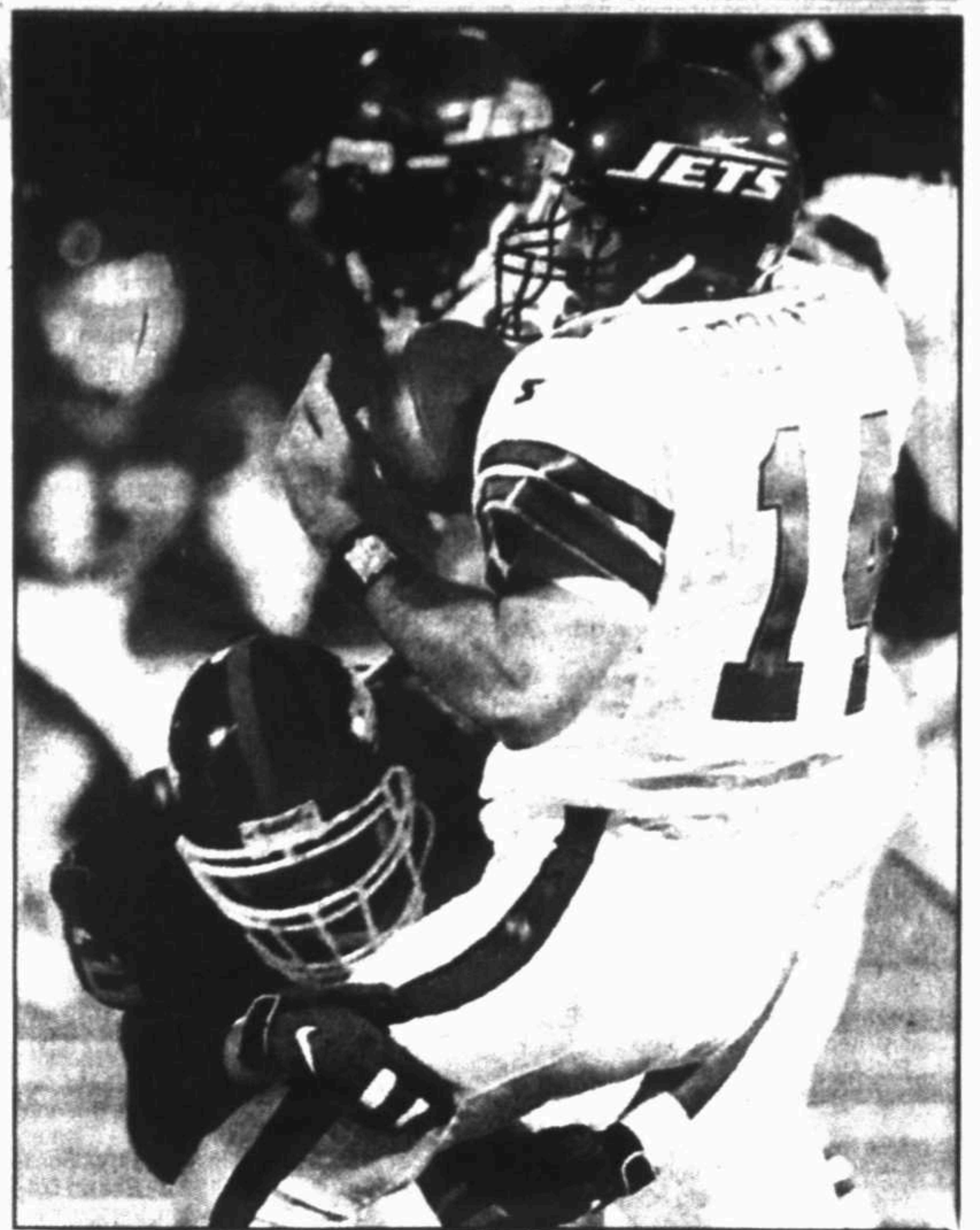
Raiders 18, Saints 16
OAKLAND, Calif. — Cole Ford hit three field goals, including the game-winning 39-yarder in the fourth quarter, to lead the Oakland Raiders to an 18-16 victory over the New Orleans Saints on Saturday.

Ford, who broke a knuckle on his left hand in the Raiders' first preseason game against the Dallas Cowboys, also kicked field goals of 50 and 40 yards in the second half.

Packers 35, Bills 3
TORONTO — As if the Green Bay Packers don't have enough weapons already, rookie punt returner Darren Sharper has given the defending Super Bowl champions yet another one.

Sharper set up three touchdowns, and the Packers scored on three of their first four possessions en route to a 35-3 victory over the Buffalo Bills on Saturday in the American Bowl.

Brett Favre threw two touchdowns passes to Antonio Freeman.



New York Giants defensive end Michael Strahan sacks New York Jets quarterback Neil O'Donnell (14) for an eight yard loss Saturday at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J. The Jets won, 27-17.

Swilling retires again

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Oakland Raiders defensive end Pat Swilling has retired — again.

The Raiders announced the retirement before Saturday's preseason game against the New Orleans Saints. Swilling was not available for comment.

Swilling, 32, had announced his retirement in late July, but returned to training camp three days later. At the time, he said he would probably play one more year.

But since then, Swilling has been bothered by an abdominal strain.

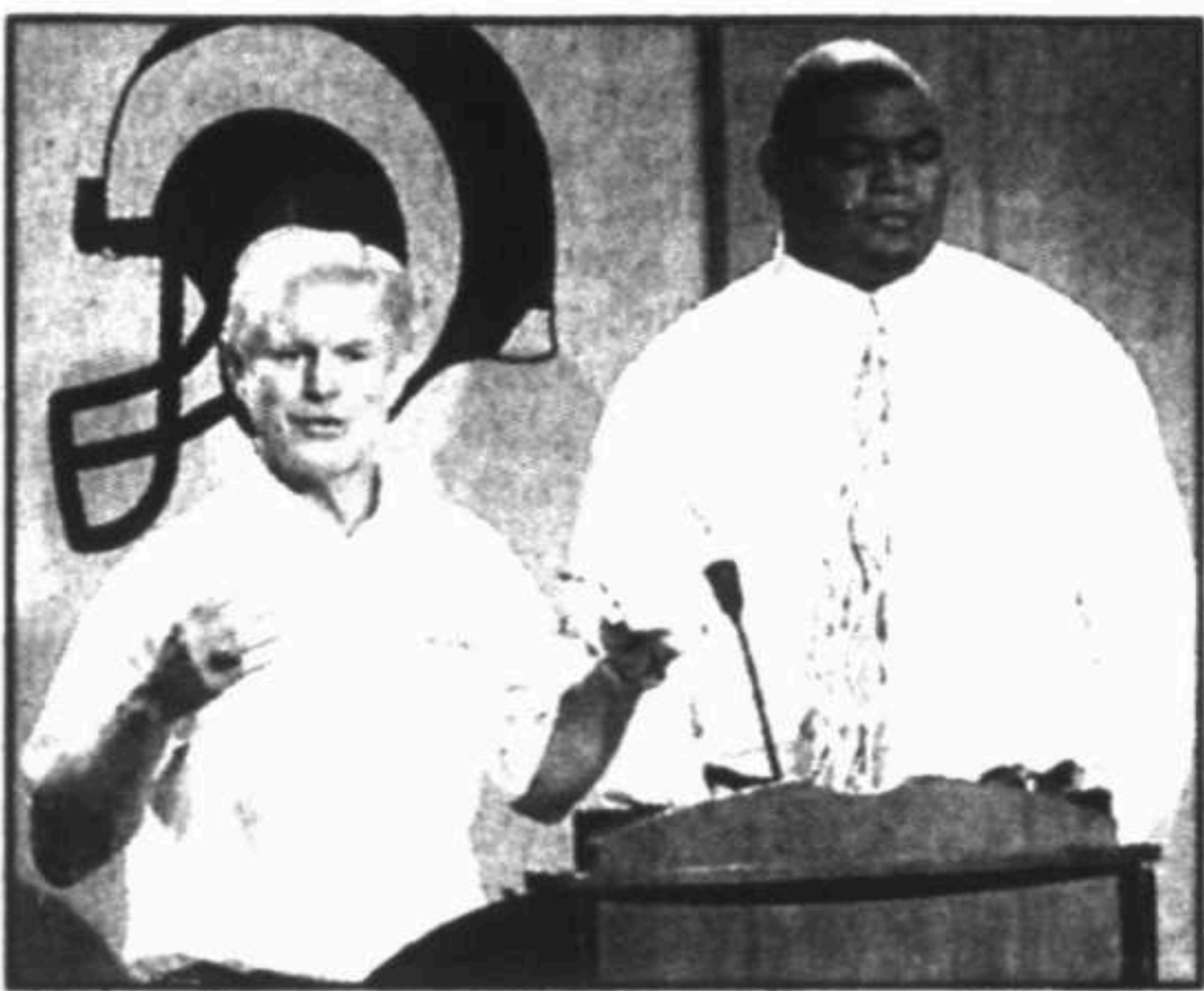
Swilling, an 11-year NFL veteran, was an All-Pro linebacker for four of his seven seasons with

New Orleans, and was chosen NFL Defensive Player of the Year in 1989.

He was traded to Detroit in 1993, then signed with the Raiders in 1995 as a free agent and was second in the NFL in sacks with 13.

Last season, he had no sacks in the first eight games, but totaled six sacks during the second half of the season, giving him 105 1/2 — 11th on the NFL career list.

This season, he was competing with second-year pro Lance Johnson for the starting defensive end job in coach Joe Bugel's new defensive scheme, which calls for three defensive tackles and only one end.



St. Louis Rams head coach Dick Vermeil, left, discusses the signing of the team's first round, first pick college draft choice, Orlando Pace, right, during a news conference Saturday in St. Louis. Pace will be paid \$18.3 million, with a signing bonus of \$6.3 million, for the first six years.

Pace needs to get up to speed

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Now that Orlando Pace has agreed to a record rookie deal with the St. Louis Rams, he'll get a little dose of reality.

Coach Dick Vermeil will use his \$29.4-million player, the top pick of the draft, on the scout team until he gets up to speed.

"This will be a new experience for me," Pace said at a news conference Saturday to announce his seven-year deal.

Last week, Rams offensive line coach Jim Hanifan said angrily that Pace might as well write off the season after missing all of training camp. On Saturday, the other line coach, George Warhop, ripped Pace's agents, Carl and Kevin Poston, for holding Pace out so long for limited gain.

The Rams say the contract numbers are bloated by a seventh year, insisted upon by the Postons, that calls for Pace to make a base salary of \$2.1 million along with a \$9 million

bonus for simply making the roster.

But Rams negotiator Jay Zygmunt said Pace will never see that money. Either he'll be a free agent then or his deal will be reworked, according to the way the contract is worded.

The deal far exceeds the seven-year, \$22 million contract Oakland gave defensive lineman Darrell Russell, the second player picked.

Pace, who expects to sign his contract Sunday, will be paid \$18.3 million, with a signing bonus of \$6.3 million, for the first six years. That's basically what the Rams had offered July 25.

That angered Warhop. "He's lost a good part of the year," the coach said.

There was no pomp connected to the news conference, no No. 76 jersey to hold or team cap to try on for size, and no agent sharing the podium, perhaps reflecting the animosity. But it was clear Vermeil was trying to make the best of the situation.

BAYLOR: Coach trying to get back respect

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ed to shake up our program."

Added safety Curtis Henderson, "Coach Roberts is trying to re-establish the respect the players lost. He's trying to get back the confidence a lot of players were lacking coming out of last season."

The Bears were among the most disappointing teams in the Big 12 last year, going 1-7 in league play and 4-7 overall after winning seven games each of the previous two

seasons.

Baylor seemed to get worse as last season went along. Athletic director Tom Stanton thought the team was so listless in the finale against Oklahoma State that during the drive home from Stillwater he decided to fire Reedy.

Enter Roberts, who prior to Notre Dame had been a head coach for five years at Western Kentucky and five at Northeast Louisiana.

Roberts, 50, left both those programs much better than when he found them. The keys to his success there and at all his other jobs have always been successful recruiting and high-flying offenses.

At Baylor, his mid-winter hiring got him off to a slow start in recruiting. Installing his complex passing offense on a team that's long based its offense around a running game has gone even more slowly.

"In the spring, it was like a foreign language to the players, particularly the quarterbacks," Roberts said. "I don't know if we got a lot of teaching done."

Roberts hopes to have 70 percent of the scheme in by the Aug. 30

opener at home against Miami. The Bears play at Fresno State the next week, then are off the weeks before and after playing at Michigan on Sept. 20. Their Big 12 season begins Oct. 4 at home against Texas Tech.

"By then, we hope to have a pretty good understanding of what we do," Roberts said.

Starting the year at quarterback will likely be Jermaine Alfred, who beat out Watson for the job late last season then gave it back with a poor spring. It became Alfred's again after Watson was arrested July 3 for public intoxication and disorderly conduct. Watson was reinstated Aug. 10.

Waiting in the wings is Odell James, the strong-armed redshirt freshman who missed last season with a knee injury. He also missed spring drills, but will be back this fall and could overtake Alfred if he doesn't get off to a good start.

Baylor still has a stable of good running backs, led by Jerod Douglas, although Roberts would like to them to be a bit bigger — especially considering the pounding they'll take because of the offensive line woes.

Bear Facts

SCHOOL COLORS: Green and gold
FOUNDED: 1845
ENROLLMENT: 12,000
LOCATED: Waco
COACH: Dave Roberts
RECORD IN 1996: 4-7 (1-7 in Big 12)
OVERALL RECORD: 490-418-43
LAST BOWL APPEARANCE: Alamo Bowl after 1994 season
STADIUM: Floyd Casey Stadium (50,000)
RETURNING STARTERS: 7
offensive, 6 defensive
KEY PLAYERS: Jerod Douglas, sr. RB; Jeff Watson, sr. QB; Dennis Thompson, Jr. WR; David Davis, sr. OT; Curtis Henderson Jr. S; Robert Neal, so. CB

1997 SCHEDULE
Aug. 30: Miami
Sept. 6: at Fresno St.
Sept. 20: at Michigan
Oct. 4: Texas Tech
Oct. 11: Nebraska
Oct. 18: at Oklahoma
Oct. 25: at Iowa St.
Nov. 1: Texas
Nov. 8: at Texas A&M
Nov. 15: at Missouri
Nov. 22: Oklahoma St.

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Questions derived from concerns expressed by grieving people

Mark Mercer, M.S., L.P.C., S.W.A.

I recently visited the home of parents whose young daughter died last year. Staring proudly at a tall glass display case containing his tomboy daughter's autographed baseball and toy dinosaurs, the father told me, "I think everyone should have one these!" I agreed. It was not exactly a "shrine." But it was a beautiful and healthy way for them to remember not just that their little girl had died but that she had lived.

A display case, or any kind of memorial, may hold items that were important to the person who died. It may contain poems or letters written to them by the grieving family, or photographs of special memories. A memorial such as this is very beneficial because it is a constructive, tangible way to channel grief. So long as it does not become a way of forever overidealizing the deceased (and thus robbing you of authentic memories), a memorial is a powerful way to tell other people that you loved this person and that you will never forget them.

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Permian Basin Open Facts

Fast Facts

When: Thursday-Sunday.
Where: The Club at Mission-Dorado.
Tickets: \$5 daily; \$15 for all four days.
TV/Radio: The Golf Channel, which will be transmitted live by Midland's Cox Cable and Cable 1 in Odessa.
Thursday at 12:30 p.m.
Friday at 4 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

Schedule

Monday
PBO Qualifier at Hogan Park Golf Course.
Half-Day Pro-Am sponsored by City-Pipe and Supply Corp.
Practice Rounds for contestants.
Pro-Am registration 4-6 p.m., Mission Dorado.

Tuesday
Practice Rounds for Contestants.
Women's Clinic at 5 p.m. conducted by Judy Rankin sponsored by Jones Motors.
Pro-Am registration 11-2 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. at Mission Dorado.
Pro-Am Pairings Party 7 p.m. in Mission Dorado Ball Room, sponsored by Pee Wee Dalton's Boots.

Wednesday
Nike Permian Basin Open Pro-Am sponsored by Northwest Banks.
Pro-Am Awards Party at 7 p.m. sponsored by NationsBank.

Thursday
Nike Permian Basin Open First Round.
Friday
Nike Permian Basin Open Second Round.

Saturday
Sponsor Party 7 p.m. in Pavilion.
Nike Permian Basin Open Third Round Junior Clinic 30 minutes after completion of pro-am sponsored by West Texas Golf Professionals and Swartz Inc.

Sunday
Nike Permian Basin Open Final Round.

Tee Times

Tee times for the Nike Permian Basin Open qualifier Monday at Hogan Park Golf Course.

No. 1 Tee

7:30 a.m. - Collin Stoops, Lewisville; Jody Grigsby, San Antonio; (a) Les Littlejohn, Odessa; 7:38 - Thad Reese, Midland; Ryan Murphy, Lovington, N.M.; Brent Harris, Jol, N.M.; 7:46 - Heath Fell, Pearland; Chris Carpenter, Odessa; Greg Leshner, Lubbock; 7:54 - (a) Darrell Purstley, Andrews; Kawika Cotner, Bedford; Jean-Paul Hebert, Houston.

8:02 - Cory Adams, San Angelo; Martin Lusk, San Antonio; (a) Mike Harville, El Paso; 8:10 - Rene Rangel, Webster; Jeremiah Luttrell, Midland; (a) Mike Chisum, Abilene; 8:18 - (a) Kelly Cox, Midland; David Alberti, Houston; Nick Mail-nowski, Dallas; 8:26 - Billy Harris, Dallas; Robby Skinner, Dallas; Tony Brook, Ft. Stockton, Fla.; 8:34 - Gary Matthews, Dallas; (a) Todd Cranford, Mike Healer, Gatesville; 8:42 - (a) Clarke Rheney, Houston; Mike Kelley, Cypress Mill; Travis Delbert, Lubbock; 8:50 - (a) Koy Stribling, Odessa; Daniel Barry, St. Louis; Derrick Melton, Midland; 8:58 - Chris Dekerstry, Odessa; (a) Harry Hernandez, Snyder; Michael Baumann, Harkey Heights.

9:06 - Shawn Sullivan, Norman, OK; (a) Gary Johnson, Midland; Steve Alexander, Sonora; 9:14 - Doug Bryant, Odessa; Mark Smith, Midland.

12:10 p.m. - John Flannery, Palm Desert, Calif.; Robert Nunn, Winston-Salem, N.C.; (a) Terry Rice; 12:18 - Steve Haskins, El Paso; Michael Board, Houston; (a) Chris Mertz, Midland; 12:26 - David Terrell, Fort Worth; (a) Casey Devou, Midland; Alan Rivera, Lewisville; 12:34 - Roman Harper III, Midland; Dirk Mitchell, Coppell; Robert Russell, Joplin; 12:42 - Shawn Din-widde, Houston; Trey Newton, Valiso, Fla.; Jason Hewitt, Midland; 12:50 - (a) Daniel Montes, Duncannonville; Tyler Shelton, Fairway, Kan.; Craig Wallace Jr., Lubbock; 12:58 - Brett Boynton, Commerce; (a) K.J. Sanchez, Midland; Jason Hill, Rockwall.

1:06 - (a) Donald Thomas, Odessa; Brian Dominguez, Beaumont; Daniel Montelongo, Dallas; 1:14 - Jeffrey Wassil, Roswell, N.M.; Chris Peddicord, Humble; Mike Hook, Aledo; 1:22 - Ray Sanchez, Austin; (a) David Montgomery, Odessa; Tom Doughtie, Amarillo; 1:30 - Monte Schleinblum, La Quinta, Calif.; (a) Gary Durham, Dallas; Darren Hopkins, Vernon;

1:36 - (a) Steve Main, Odessa; Jerry Wilton Jr., San Antonio; Mickey Scott, San Angelo; 1:46 - Steven Young, Midland; (a) Kevin Williams, Odessa; John Brannon, S. Pasadena, Calif.

No. 10

7:30 - Paul Gow, Sydney Australia; Tommy Lewis, El Paso; Felipe Cordero Jr., Alpine; 7:40 - Laddell Stinnett, Andrews; (a) Nick Giampaolo, Las Vegas; David Weidner, Comanche; 7:50 p.m. - (a) Charlie Prince, Midland; Bob Stangby, Odessa; Brian Lemley, Graford.

8:00 - Chris Collins, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Bill Powell, Irving; Scott Georgia, Santa Fe, N.M.; 8:10 - Juan Nutt, Miami; (a) Javier Galvin, Rio Rancho, N.M.; Tim Phillips, Midland; 8:20 - (a) Les Ledingham IV, Fort Worth; David Petry, San Antonio; Ted Soule, Austin; 8:30 - Dallas Peters, Wolfe City, Carlos Larrain, Miami; Clayton Friend, Midland; 8:40 - Matthew Lane, Calabasas, Calif.; (a) Gene Slaven, Garland; Mark Burgan, Andrews; 8:50 - Kevin Pedigo, Fort Worth; Mark Kogut, Schaumburg, Ill.; Wes Skaggs, Cedar Park.

9:00 - Michael Flynn, Fort Worth; Brian Pacetti, Elgin, Ill.; Craig McAlpine, Fort Worth; 9:10 - Paul Buchanan, Tega City, SC.; Jason Otto, Austin; (a) Darren Woolard, Las Vegas.

12:10 - Jim Ferrell, Plainview; Brent Ward, Amarillo; (a) Larry Nunez; 12:20 - Tom Sims, Wichita, Kan.; Sammy Jimenez, Marfa; 12:30 - Vince Jewell, Odessa; (a) Stephen Summers, Dallas; Scott Fawcett, Plano; 12:40 - Steve Navarro, West Covina, Calif.; Justin Brown, Harlingen; Chris Sims, Carlsbad, N.M.; 12:50 - Russell Jenkins, Madisonville; Larry Simpson, DeLeon; Matthew Neyra, Greenville.

1:00 - Nathan Eyennett, Ennis; Greg Sigler, Midland; (a) Matthew Jackson, Odessa; 1:10 - Jason Brigrman, Abilene; (a) Calvin Neatherlin, Midland; Mark Ingebrigtson, Flower Mound; 1:20 - Lee Venzor, San Antonio; (a) Joe Eap, Ft. Davis; Patrick Sheehan, Altamonte Springs, Fla.; 1:30 - Kyle Howard, Odessa; Heath Neal, Carrollton; Stephen Enriquez, San Angelo; 1:40 - (a) Jolly Shakelford, Artesia, N.M.; Jake Nasis, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Jerry Hounchell, Tampa; 1:50 - Brian McKinley, Midland; Joe Edwards, Odessa; Antonio Serrano, Springfield, Mo.

NIKE: Permian Basin Open returns

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five-year records, we will set a new record for revenue and charitable donations. Not bad for a new group."

A big reason for the revenue increase and Glast's enthusiasm for this year's event is that the PBO has expanded to new boundaries, becoming a regional event — not just a tournament in Odessa. It started with the selection of the new beneficiary, the Buffalo Trails Council of the Boy Scouts of America, whose influence is felt in 18 counties. From there, the tournament became Permian Basin in attitude.

"In the past, this has been an Odessa event, and for this tournament to be successful, for the present and future, it has to become a regional event," Glast said. "One of the reasons we are up (financially) is support from Midland and surrounding areas. This year they have stepped up."

But this week is not only about an impressive bottom line but also about some of the best golfers you've never seen on television.

"I'm anxious to see what it is like," Glast said. "The level of play on this tour is unbelievably good. When we hear people refer to this as the minor leagues, they are not paying attention to who the players are today who come to this tour. The quality of play is better than what I feel the general attitude is. This is a great tour. It will become more so until this year."

The Nike Tour has come a long way since the beginning when it was called the Ben Hogan Tour, and its graduates have brought fame and respect back to this training ground for the big time. Nike Tour alumni include Tom Lehman, Ernie Els, John Daly,

Paul Stankowski and Jim Furyk. This year alone, former Nike Tour players have won six PGA tournaments. Since the tour's inception in 1990, 34 titles and four majors have been claimed by players who perfected their skills on the Nike Tour.

Going into the PGA Championships, three players; Lehman, Furyk and Tommy Toles were ranked in the top 10 in the Ryder Cup standings. Others like Jeff Maggert and Stankowski aren't far behind.

And there is more talent on its way up and that is what makes the Nike Tour such an attractive sporting event. In the state of Texas, only six cities host professional golf tournaments. Austin joined the Permian Basin as the only sites in the state to host the Nike Tour. Other cities will have to wait while the Permian Basin thrives.

"There are three reasons to have a golf tournament — economic development, quality of life and raising money for charity," Glast said. "The quality of life is addressed by having a major league sporting event and charity money follows by doing a good job on the other two."

"If you are on TV worldwide from the Permian Basin, it makes an awareness of your region."

All those factors are what Glast hopes to take advantage of when attracting more sponsors in the future. This year, many companies, like Texas Commerce Bank, NationsBank and Southwestern Bell, have come forth to support the PBO although none will occupy the role of presenting sponsor — which usually brings in \$125,000 for the tournament. Not having that big sponsor has drawn somewhat

"mixed feelings from Glast, but in the end, the numbers say the PBO is in good shape."

"This tournament has had two different sponsors over a three-year period, but once they are gone it is difficult to replace them. We will continue to add smaller sponsors. That is probably a better business plan," Glast said. "We will work with the PGA and make proposals to presenting sponsors prior to next year's event. We will do our best to get one, but that is not our highest priority. We need to make sure that we are financially stable and that those who are sponsoring are getting their money's worth."

The Permian Basin almost didn't have the chance to see if Glast's theory held true. In early January, then-tournament director Brad Allen announced that Odessa's Medical Center Development Corporation had dropped its title as chief beneficiary. But within 16 days, Glast already had a group together and set up a new beneficiary and got things rolling. It has been non-stop for Glast and the PBO volunteer staff ever since.

"It has been a lot busier than I ever imagined," Glast said. "Up until this year, the only thing I have been involved in is the fund raising. But the details of getting the everyday activities going and the administration took more time than I thought it would. It was surprising. Now I understand."

"My wife will tell you it is a 24 hour a day job and is sick and tired of hearing of golf in general and the Nike in particular."

For Glast and his wife, there are only seven more days until that 1997 tournament talk comes to a close. But there will be next year.

Finley, King capture titles in Junior City Tournament

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

A big step in the development of Midland's junior program was taken this weekend with the Inaugural Midland Junior City Tournament at Hogan Park.

Saturday, 53 of Midland's top golfers took aim on the Hogan course and the best came away with city titles.

Among those who took home titles were Chance Finley and Dillon King.

Finley won the boys 16-17 division, carding a 74 on the par-71 layout. Despite recording three bogeys down the stretch, he still had played well enough to win the boys' top flight.

"It was a tough day. I was all over the course coming home," said Finley, who birdied two holes en route to the win. "The win gets your head and thoughts a little better (going into the high school season)."

King had a tougher go in the boys 14-15 division. King's 76 during regulation tied him with Omar Sanchez and Jason Lindgren which forced a one-hole playoff. In the playoff, King hit driver-sand wedge into the par-4, 19th hole and then drained a 20-footer for birdie which secured the title as Lindgren made par and Sanchez bogeyed.

"I was thinking par and made birdie," King said. "I didn't think I had a chance with the course in good shape, but the wind got to people. I'm playing well right now and hope to continue it."

The wins showed the strength of the respective golfers but also was telling of what lies ahead for the Midland Lee golf team. King, Sanchez and Finley, who played No. 3 for the Rebels last year, will play for Bobby Dunn's Rebel golf team and that was another reason to boast.

"We will have a pretty stacked

team," King said.

A future Rebel who shined on Saturday was Brent Bennett. The 10-year-old shot a 2-over-par 38 to win the 10-11 division. It was Bennett's second win of the day as he and his father, Don, teamed up to win the Green Tree father-son tournament in the morning. Bennett, who has won eight of the 15 tournaments he's played this summer, didn't even mind getting up at 6:30 a.m. to do so.

Bennett is the latest product of a Midland's junior program, which is trying for a resurgence. Over the summer, junior programs at Hogan Park and Green Tree Country Club registered record numbers of junior golfers. The hope for this tournament is that it will continue the progression. And while parent-child tournaments at Green Tree and Ranchland Hills kept the number of golfers down, the golfers see it as plus and think it will inspire more to play in the future.

"It should help to get more in the program," Finley said. "The junior program is getting better. It used to be we didn't have anything. Now, there are more coming up."

"Someday this tournament will be as big. It will be a thing of the future, just like the men's (city tournament)."

Results from the Inaugural Midland Junior City Championship played Saturday at Hogan Park.

Boys 16-17: Chance Finley 74, Matt Davis 75, Stephen Stoltz 82, Michael Ledford 83, Chris Smith 88, Jason Hodnett 106. Boys 14-15: Dillon King 76 (won in a one-hole playoff), Jason Lindgren 76, Omar Sanchez 76, Daniel Pender 80, Chad Wheeler 81, Zack Cauthen 81, Ray Reyes 84, Chris Meathorn 84, Andrew McGregor 84, Cody Summersell 88, Josh Coats 94, Chase Yadon 96, Cody Cooper 97, Connor Ewing 98, Josh Gasser 120. Boys 12-13: Anthony Moreno 77, Blake Braun 78, Michael Stoltz 82, Roberto Ramon 88, Eric Munoz 92, Brandon Wilson 93, Lane Brannum 102, Chase Okrasinski 105, James Frith 109, Clayton Knight 112. Boys 10-11: Brent Bennett 38, Lance Okrasinski 42 (won playoff), Sterling Mitchell 42, Bobby Whiteside 45, K.J. Livingston 47, Evan Dunker 47, Tim Smith 48, Stephen McDonald 48, Tyler West 50. Boys 9-under: Tommy Sikes 42, Ben Livingston 60, James Gray 62.

Girls 16-17: Julie Jacobs 78, Tawny Alonzo 92. Girls 14-15: Shelly Winchel 86, Amy Roach 93. Girls 10-11: Kelly Ford 48, Vanessa McGowan 59.

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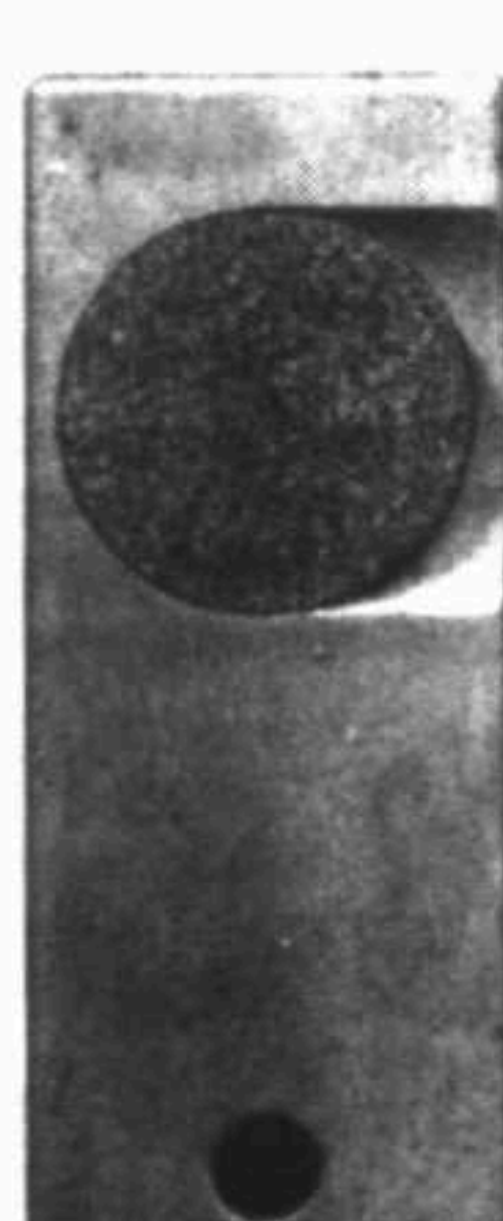
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Anke Huber grimaces as she hits a serve to Mary Joe Fernandez during their semi-final match at the du Maurier Open Saturday in Toronto. Huber won the match when Fernandez was forced to retire due to a wrist injury.

Seles to meet Huber in final

Associated Press

TORONTO — Her game may have arrived fashionably late, but when Monica Seles decided to dispatch Conchita Martinez in Saturday's du Maurier Open semifinal, she did it with style.

Seles, the top seed, dropped the opening game to the upstart Spaniard and had the late-arriving crowd in doubt. But Seles broke Martinez the next game, climbing back from a 15-40 deficit, and assumed a 5-1 lead en route to a 6-2, 7-6 (8-6) victory.

Seles will meet Germany's Anke Huber in Sunday's final. Huber advanced when Mary Joe Fernandez withdrew after the second set.

"I played well but I also had spurts of terrible play when she started playing well," Seles said. "When I needed I made some great shots."

On the road to her third du Maurier final — aiming to be the first to win three consecutive titles — Seles has shown a penchant for going into corners and keeping her foes continuously on the run.

Martinez beat Seles three weeks ago for the first time in 12 tries, and said Friday that the key was to remain aggressive.

"I started out real good (last time), but it took me longer to get into the match," Martinez said. "I came close in the second set, and in the third, you never know."

In the other semifinal, Huber qualified for her first du Maurier final when Fernandez withdrew after losing the second set 2-6.

Fernandez took the opening set 6-3 but dropped the next one to Huber, who also came back in Friday's quarterfinal against South Africa's Amanda Coetzer, the third seed, to win the last two sets.

After a visit from her trainer, Fernandez had one eye on her right wrist and the other on the U.S. Open, only a week away, and called it quits, which means she also forfeited her doubles quarterfinal with partner Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, the top-seeded Open duet.

Kafelnikov and Rafter to meet in Pilot Pen final

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Top-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov advanced to his second singles final of the year, beating Petr Korda in straight sets at the Pilot Pen International on Saturday.

Kafelnikov, also playing in the doubles draw, beat Korda 6-4, 7-6 (7-4), and will next face Patrick Rafter, who eliminated Greg Rusedski in a night match delayed an hour after a cloudburst soaked Stadium Court.

Rafter, the No. 8 seed from Australia, beat 11th-seeded Rusedski 7-5, 4-6, 6-3, earning another shot at a title that has eluded him in three previous appearances in championship matches this year.

Rafter remained poised while withstanding the blistering serves of Rusedski, whose serves have been clocked as fast as 140 mph. "I guessed right," Rafter said of how it felt to face the big-serving Brit. "It went my way tonight."

He got help from Rusedski, who lost the first set on his serve shortly after he was called for one of several foot faults. He complained loudly about the calls, which all came on the same side, and lost his focus.

"I was pleased with the way I volleyed," Rusedski said. "I was not pleased with the way I handled the situation on the foot faults."

Moya and Bjorkman advance to RCA final

INDIANAPOLIS — Fifth-seeded Carlos Moya of Spain and No. 9 Jonas Bjorkman of Sweden advanced to the final of the \$1.04 million RCA Championships with straight-set victories Saturday.

Moya defeated No. 10 Wayne Ferreira of South Africa 6-4, 6-2 to reach his fourth final of the year.

The match began less than 14 hours after Ferreira completed an exhausting Friday night quarterfinal match against Magnus Larsson of Sweden, ending with a 12-10 tiebreaker.

"I knew he was tired from his match last night," Moya said. "My serve and my forehand were working well."

The ninth-ranked Moya is seeking his first championship of the year and his first ATP title in the United States.

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — The Notre Dame coaches took one look at John Michels 48 years ago and sent him back home. Too small to play college football, they said.

Michels was back in South Bend on Saturday, this time to take his place in the College Football Hall of Fame.

"It's ironic and satisfying that I'm here today," said Michels, an All-American offensive guard at Tennessee and member of the 1951 national champions.

"Thank God I didn't listen to (the Notre Dame coaches) and neither did Tennessee," he said. "This is the zenith of my career."

The other inductees were: Bob

Ferguson, Ohio State; Hugh Green, Pittsburgh; Frank Merritt, Army; Bob Pellegrini, Maryland; Pat Richter, Wisconsin; Jerry Robinson, UCLA; James Saxton, Texas; Jerry Tubbs, Oklahoma; Charles White, Southern California; Marc Wilson, Brigham Young; and coach Red Sanders, Vanderbilt and UCLA.

Inductees from the divisional class were: Joe Cichy, North Dakota State; Joe Delaney, Northwestern State; Fred Dryer, San Diego State; Joe Dudek, Plymouth State; William Grinnell, Tufts; Frank Hawkins, Nevada; Pierce Holt, Angelo State; Gary Johnson, Grambling; Ken O'Brien, Cal-

Davis; Bruce Taylor, Boston; Lynn Thomsen, Augustana; coach Jim Butterfield, Ithaca; and coach Paul Hoernemann, Heidelberg.

Small school or national powerhouse, starter or practice squad, there's something special about college football that can't be found anywhere else, Pittsburgh's Hugh Green said.

"There's a purity to college football and there always will be," said Green, a three-time All-American. "Everybody gives a large effort and it's not repaid by money."

Bruce Taylor was the NFL's rookie of the year in 1970, but his best memories are of his days at

Boston University. Grambling's Gary "Big Hands" Johnson said he never wanted the awards or trophies, he just loved playing.

And Pat Richter said the lessons he learned as a tight end at Wisconsin helped shape the rest of his life.

"You look back now and say, 'Yes, it was very much worth it,'" said Richter, Wisconsin's athletic director. "The many special times we had had a profound impact on our lives."

Joining the hall held special meaning for the Divisional class, which didn't exist two years ago. Prior to that, players from Division I-AA, Division II, Division III

and the NAIA were excluded from the hall.

Joe Dudek recalled how excited he was when Plymouth State asked him to come play after all the big schools had passed him by. The Division III school couldn't offer him a scholarship, only the chance to play for another four years.

The running back went on to set the NCAA record for all divisions with 79 career touchdowns, and rushed for a Division III-record 5,570 yards on 785 carries. Sports Illustrated put him on its cover, and he finished ninth in the voting for the Heisman Trophy, highest-ever for a Division III player.

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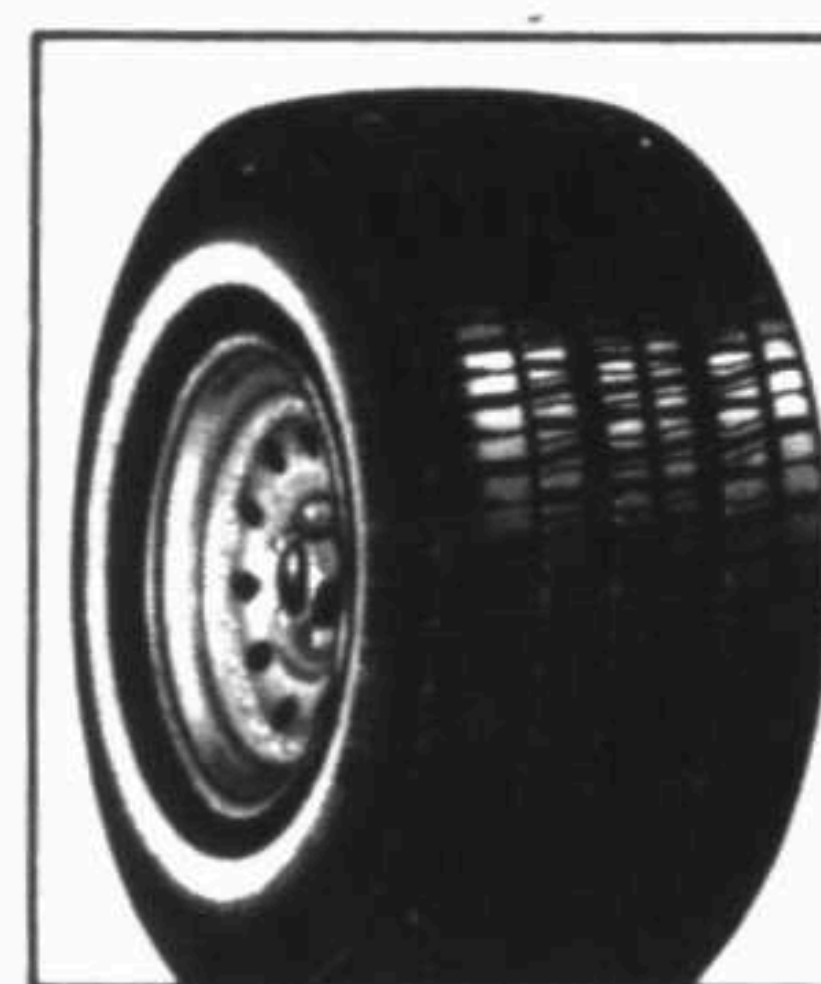
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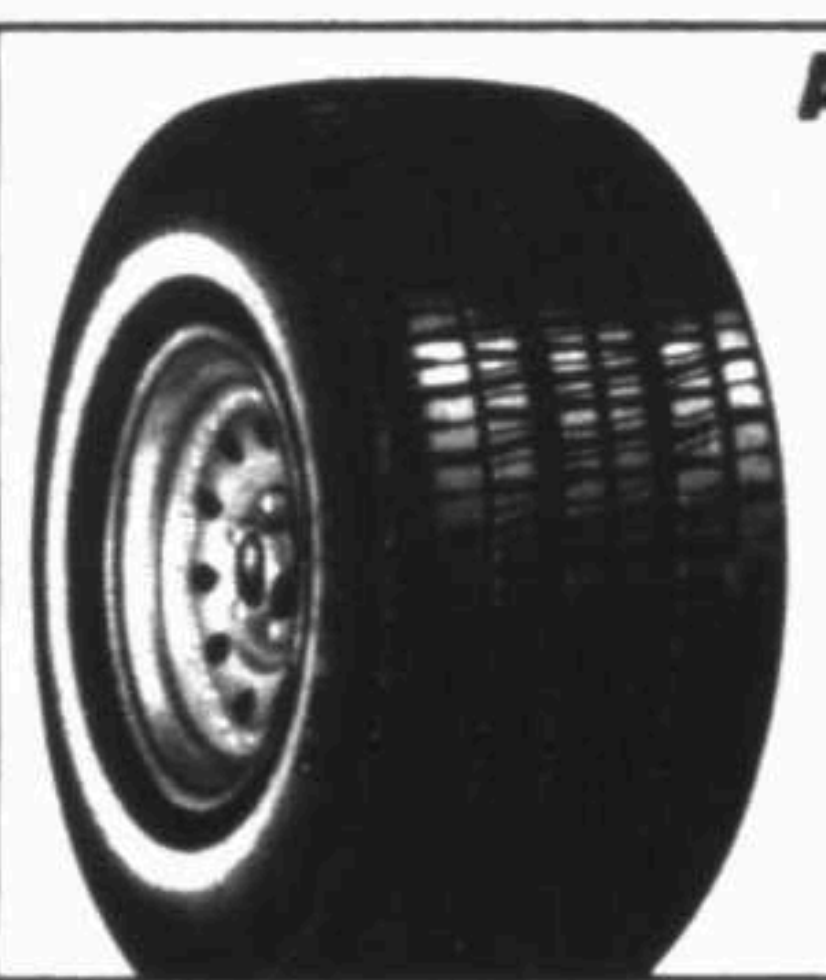
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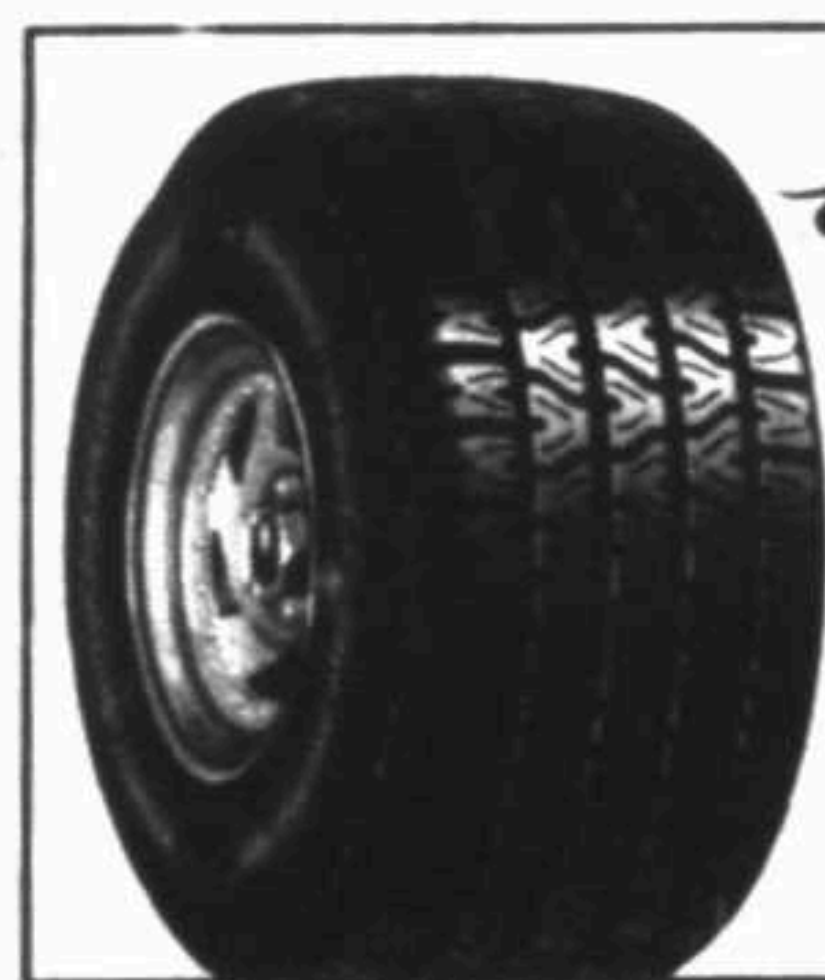
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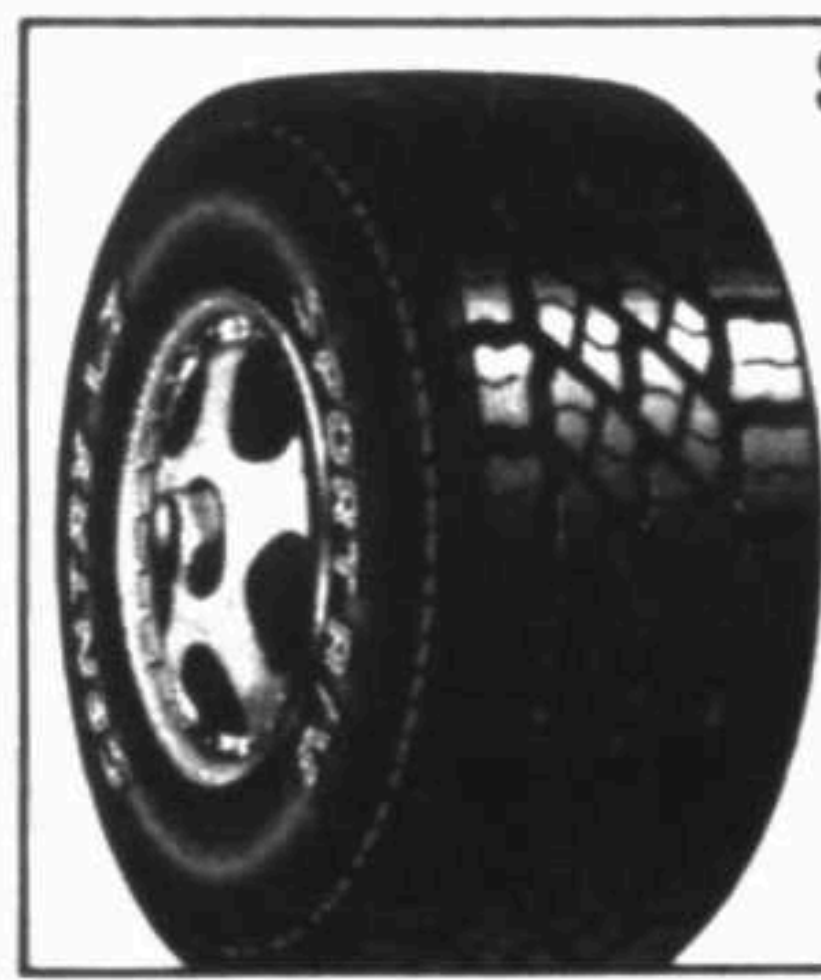
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Rain helps keep pole-sitter's car safe in garage

By Harry Atkins
AP Sports Writer

BROOKLYN, Mich. — Johnny Benson's prayers were answered. Well, partly answered. Benson, the pole-sitter for the DeVilbiss 400 was concerned about possibly damaging his car in practice Saturday at Michigan Speedway. Heavy rains forced cancellation of the morning practice session, so Benson's car sat safely in the garage.

That's what he wanted, because the last time Benson won a pole on a Friday, he wrecked the car the next day just taking practice laps.

It was his favorite car, too. So, he had to run the race in a backup machine.

"Well, so far it's working great," said Benson, born and raised up the road a bit in Grand Rapids. Did he really pray for rain?

"Well, there's really nothing we can do about it," Benson said. "That's up to Mother Nature."

Benson finally did bring the Pontiac Grand Prix out for the late afternoon "Happy Hour" spin, after a Busch Grand National race had finished. He got through it without a scratch.

"We're in a great spot right now," said Benson, the NASCAR Winston Cup rookie of the year in 1996. "We really don't have to do too much to the car."

The pole victory was a bit of a surprise for Benson. It was just the second pole of his Winston Cup career, and his first this season.

"We'd have been happy if we would have qualified fifth or 10th," he said. "This just makes us a little more happier."

Still, an even bigger surprise was the qualifying run of Jeff Gordon. The Winston Cup points leader was almost 2 mph slower in his Chevrolet Monte Carlo than Benson.

As a result Gordon, winner of eight races this season, will start in the 17th spot on the DeVilbiss 400 grid.

"I think we're going to be pretty good in the race," said the 26-year-old Gordon, who has 27 wins in his



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Johnny Benson climbs into his Pontiac prior to practice at Michigan Speedway Saturday. He will start Sunday's DeVilbiss 400 NASCAR race on the pole.

Winston Cup career. "I just can't find any speed here for qualifying."

"This is the same car we had at the Brickyard, and it raced pretty good there."

Gordon ran fourth behind Ricky Rudd, Bobby Labonte and Dale Jarrett at Indianapolis. He followed that with his first career road course triumph, last week at Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Mark Martin and his Ford Thunderbird will start beside Benson in the front row. Martin is second in the series standings with 2,910 points — 109 behind Gordon.

Ricky Craven's Chevy will be third on the starting grid. Jarrett, third in the driver standings with 2,759 points, will start fourth.

Zanardi isn't talking championship, yet

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. — If he had a choice, Alex Zanardi would rather not talk about the PPG Cup championship, yet.

Four races from the end of the season, the Italian driver is leading the PPG CART World Series by 27 points over Paul Tracy. With a maximum of 22 points available at each event, that is hardly an insurmountable lead.

In fact, Zanardi himself trailed Tracy by 24 points after the race at Milwaukee, Wis., the first weekend of June. After that, with Tracy slumping, Zanardi kept cutting into the lead and wound up out front following the race last month at Michigan Speedway.

Zanardi, rookie of the year in 1996, is excited about his prospects of replacing Target-Chip Ganassi Racing teammate Jimmy Vasser as the series champion. But he doesn't want anybody thinking he's taking anything for granted.

"I keep doing my best and that's all I can do," Zanardi said. "All I keep saying is the truth, and that is that I have won nothing to this point."

Actually, that's not true. The 30-year-old racer has won four races this season, including three of the last four. He will certainly be among the favorites Sunday in the Texaco-Havoline 200.

Zanardi will start third, right behind the front row made up of PacWest teammates Mauricio Gugelmin of Brazil, who won his

second career pole, and Mark Blundell of England.

It's the first time teammates have swept the front-row starting spots since Zanardi and Vasser a year ago at Mid-Ohio.

Everybody in the 27-car field held his position Saturday as sporadic rain made the track slick and slow during the qualifying session. Gugelmin earned the pole with his lap 142.342 mph on Friday.

Among the top three, only Gugelmin even made it out Saturday. He turned a lap at only 90.950. Nobody was able to go faster than defending race winner Michael Andretti's 128.708.

The reluctant Zanardi stayed off the track, and spent most of the afternoon fielding questions from media about the championship.



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Park sets rookie mark with Busch Series win

Associated Press

BROOKLYN, Mich. — Steve Park held off Jimmy Spencer for victory in the Detroit Gasket 200 on Saturday, setting a rookie record for the NASCAR Busch Grand National series in the process.

It was the second win for Park and his seventh top-five finish. David Green had six top fives in 1991.

Park, whose other win came in the April race at Nashville, said he didn't think he was going to make it. He felt his fuel supply would leave him about one lap short.

"This Monte Carlo was hauling, and man is it good on gas," Park said. "There was probably a teaspoon of gas left in it."

"Every time I got a chance to

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draft, they kept telling me to conserve fuel."

Park, who got a chance to drive in his first Winston Cup race a week ago at Watkins Glen, averaged 159.681 mph in his Chevrolet at Michigan Speedway. That got him to the finish line .682 second ahead of Spencer's Chevrolet.

"I was running about three-quarters throttle and Jimmy Spencer was catching me, so I had to put the throttle back down," said Park, who earned \$40,675. "I had no experience on this track, but this place is awesome."

Bobby Labonte was third in a Pontiac, and Jeff Burton fourth in a Ford.

Amato sets qualifying record

BRainerd, Minn. — Joe Amato recorded the quickest run in NHRA Winston Drag Racing Series history Saturday during qualifying for the 16th annual Champion Auto Stores Nationals at Brainerd International Raceway.

Amato, of Old Forge, Pa., covered the quarter-mile distance in 4.562 seconds at 317.01 mph in a Keystone Parts Dragster to grab the No. 1 spot in Top Fuel qualifying.

Amato's effort bettered the previous mark of 4.564 which he set at the season-opening event at Pomona, Calif. Amato's speed was the fourth fastest in history behind Kenny Bernstein's 318.69 at last year's Chief Nationals in Ennis, Texas.

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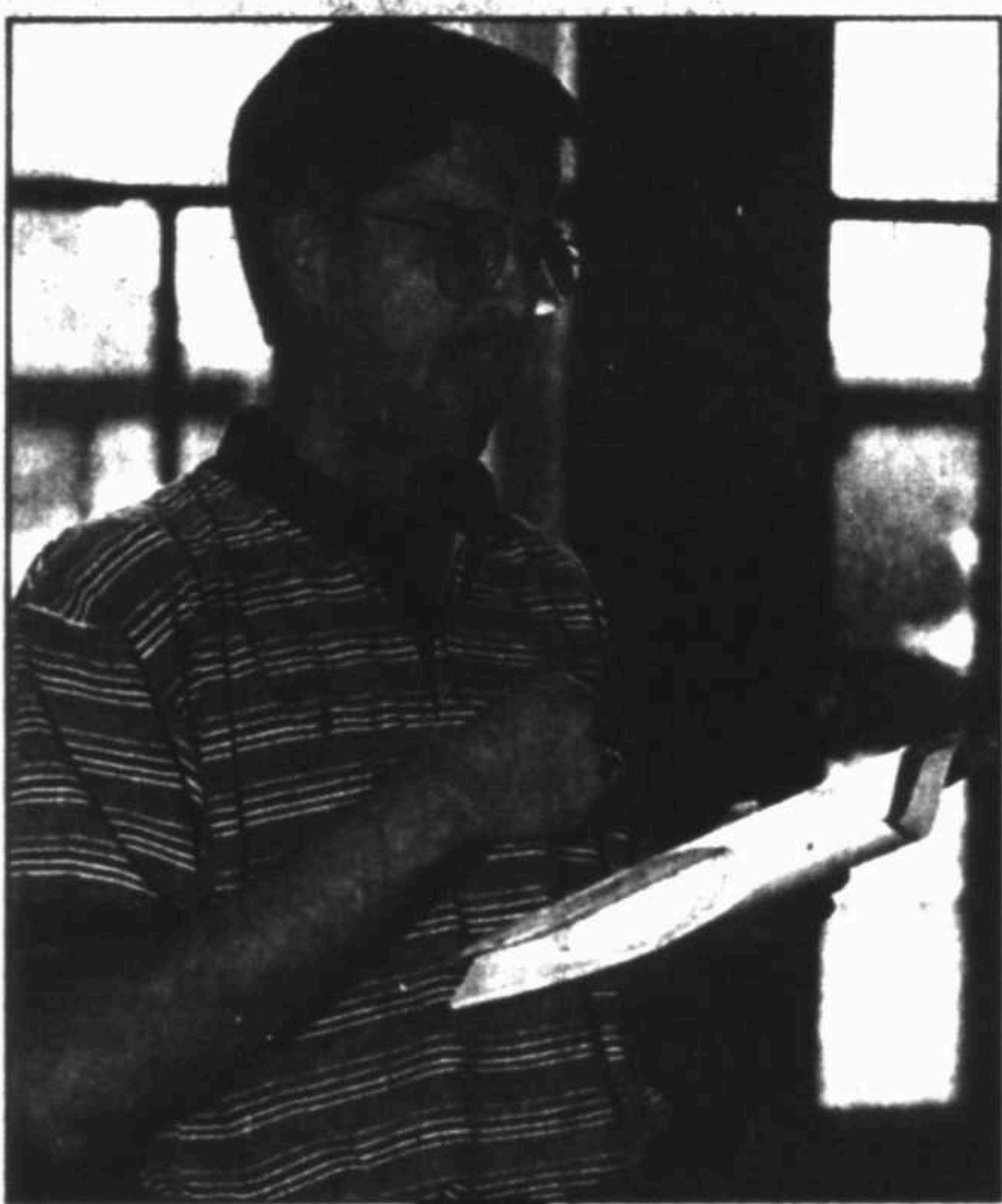
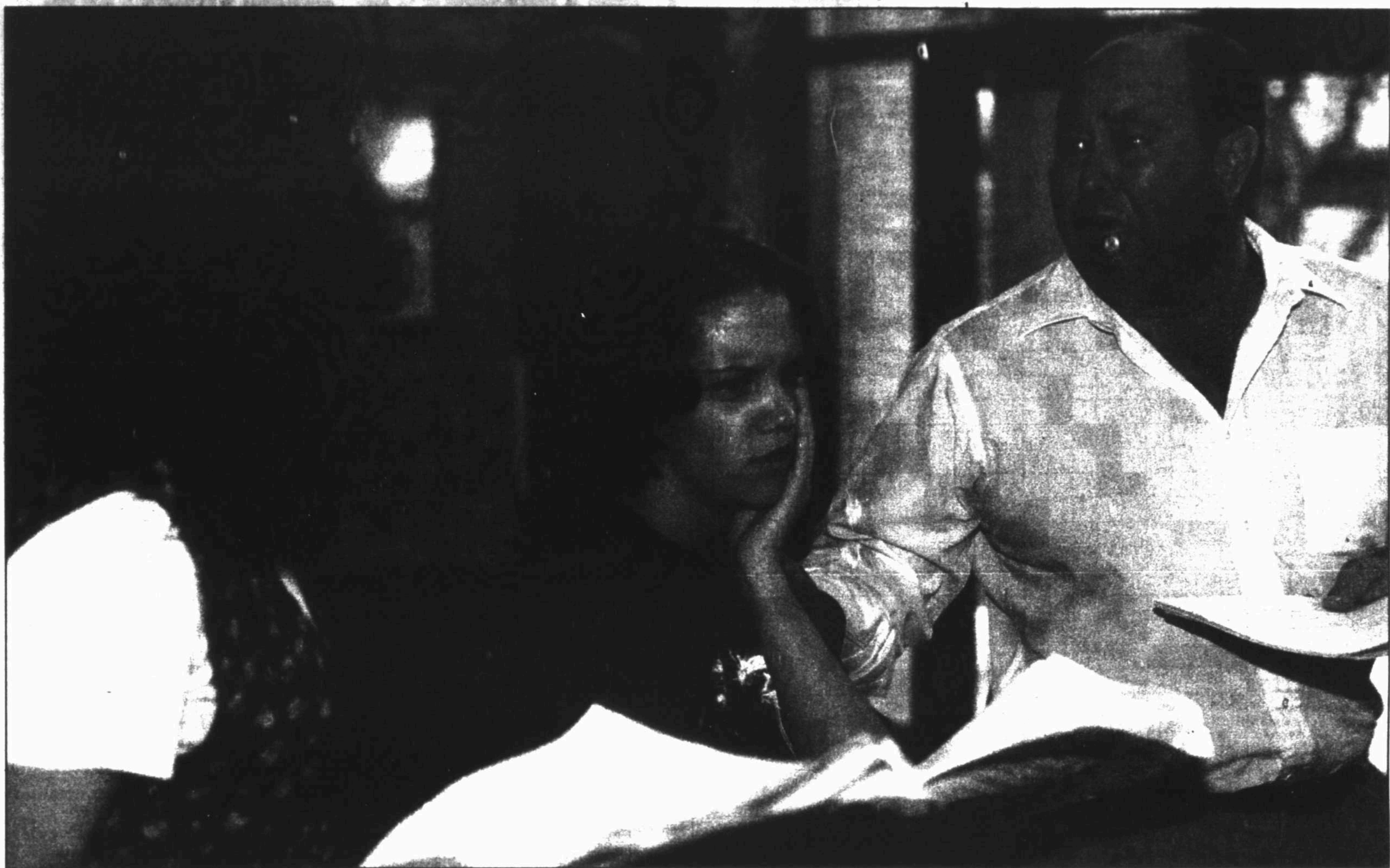


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Above, Mike Chetty reads for the part of Robin Hood in the comedy "The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood." At top, from left, Heidi Hargrove, Lisa Rose and Jim Porter sit in as Merry People for the play "The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood."

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Playwriting festival to feature five plays in readers' theater format

A baseball game, a wedding reception, bowling, brotherly love, and little deceptions invade Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave., Friday and Saturday during the McLaren Comedy Playwriting Festival.

Instead of selecting a winning play from the entries received — 154 this year alone — the festival features five plays presented in a readers' theater format. Audience members cast their votes, and the winning comedy is slated for production at MCT in the 1998 season.

"I think people enjoyed helping to pick the winner," Mary Lou Cassidy said of last year's competition, which was the first time more than one play was presented and attendees voted on their favorite. "They got a vote at the end, and it was rather overwhelming for one play. We had about 60 people actually vote, and 43 voted for the same play."

"I don't expect it to be that one sided this year," said Ms. Cassidy, who is co-chairman of the McLaren Competition and Festival along with Angela G. Jones. "I wasn't surprised last year. 'Larry Chocolate Cake' was obviously more professional and more polished than the others. This year, we have five plays on an even keel."

Last year, the Festival presented four plays, two each night. This year, the committee ran in an additional comedy — "Talkin' Baseball."

"It's a very, very brief one act — 15 minutes," said Ms. Cassidy. "It was very funny though. We decided we'd squeeze it in between two of the regular length shows Saturday night. It's set on a pitcher's mound in a lowly minor league somewhere."

Written by Mitch Coleman, a former high school English teacher, Las Vegas journalist, Chicago journalist, dental speech writer and advertising agency copywriter, "Talkin' Baseball" centers around a "very bad" minor league pitcher who has a mysterious visitor on the mound.

Directing the play will be Greg Alexander. Readers are Bouchee Xavier, Marcus Nunn, Sandy Faulkner and Sally Ribera.

The other plays are "Reception to Follow," "The Somewhat True Tale of ROBIN HOOD," "Brothers" and "JFK Slept Here."

"Reception to Follow" tells of, Ms. Cassidy said, "The wedding reception from Hell set in the meeting hall of a little church some place in Texas. The wedding did not take place as scheduled, and the plot thickens from there. It involves a basketball and a presidential motorcade and a mysterious stranger."

Written by Mark Dunn of New York City, who has seven published plays to his credit as well as several other prize-winning plays that have been produced by different theaters, the local reader's theater production will be directed by Michael Trost. Readers include Tiffany Turner, Gail Theobald, Shirley

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As the summer draws to a close, Midland's longest running party — the annual Summer Mommers — moves into its closing weeks.

"It's going very well," said Greg Dove, president of the Mommers board. "We're having a very successful summer."

Now in its 49th season, the melodrama and olio represent Midland Community Theatre's largest annual fund raiser. For the first time in memory (which is most likely different than fact), the Summer Mommers has a circus motif. Thus, the historical site of the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado Ave., houses the Dingling Brothers Efflee and Bailey Circus where treachery lurks under the big tent.

Summer Mommers moves into its closing weeks

Big Daddy Dingling (Steve Gessel and Dan Marchant) has vamoosed, vanished, disappeared, hit the high road, been abducted, rode off on the rails, or? In short, he's gone.

"It's a new melodrama, and it's been very, very popular," Dove said.

Authors Linda Bond and Bruce Partain wrote "Circumvented in the Center Ring" or "It's a Circus Out There!" several

years ago.

"We were delighted it was chosen for this year's Summer Mommers," Ms. Bond said. "We did an update on it before rehearsals started to make the jokes more current but knowing Mommers there will be changes all summer long."

The melodrama, which includes videola segments, still pokes its finger at others and considers those in the public arena to be fair game for just about anything. Wisely, the authors, who are from Midland, requested a disclaimer saying, "It was clean when we wrote it!"

Both have a history with the annual production, particularly Ms. Bond.

Please see CLOSE/4D

Sunday Crossword Puzzle

"HALF-BAKED"
By MAX HOPKINS

ACROSS

1 Gullet

4 Actor Tarriff

8 — more than one can chew

14 Some short forms

19 French friend

20 Desert sight

21 — march on

22 Balloon

23 Jazz pianist-composer

26 — Linda

27 Hodgepodge

28 Café au —

29 1938 Horse of the Year

31 Nothing, in Nancy

32 Dear, to Marcello

33 Kennedy and Rockefeller

34 Artist John Singer

36 I, in Berlin

38 Benevolent lodge member

39 Finds fault

43 "Beaver"

44 New York or New Orleans

47 Ancient Prefix

48 Seminole rival

51 Some holes

52 Flower parts

53 Sun Valley state

54 Earthworm

55 Immediately

56 Private eye

57 Kenyan herdsman

58 Spiral shell dweller

60 Sp. car user

63 62 Down vehicle

65 Bumpkins

66 Silly

70 Acronymic amplifier

72 Buck heroine

73 Pie filling

76 Took a deep dive

78 A Bryant

79 Scarlet sage

80 Layered dessert

81 Sornambulistic state

82 Sci-fi character

Edited by Joyce Nichols Lewis

113 Labors

114 Taper off

115 From

116 Johnny —

DOWN

1 Big leagues

2 Earhart

3 More artful

4 Irving and

5 Floppy or plop start

6 Cut off

7 Cheekbone

8 Filene's floor

9 Abbr.

10 Lance of law

11 Laconic

12 Like some meals

13 Drifters

14 Engine part

15 Bottomless pit

16 Faction

17 Irish king

18 Brian

17 Physics

18 Nobel

19 See 55 Across

24 R.L.

25 Stevenson's

26 pirate

27 Affairs

28 Nettle

29 News letters

30 Brian

31 Freeman's

32 Kind of dollar

33 Cap'n Crunch

34 Early Indians

35 Hall-of-Fame

36 Actor Bates

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49 Together, to

50 Blue Nile source

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70 Baseball's

71 Ripken

72 Charlemagne's

73 domain: Abbr.

74 Blanché

75 Psychotic

76 Two-wheeler

77 Disney septet

78 Beach-family

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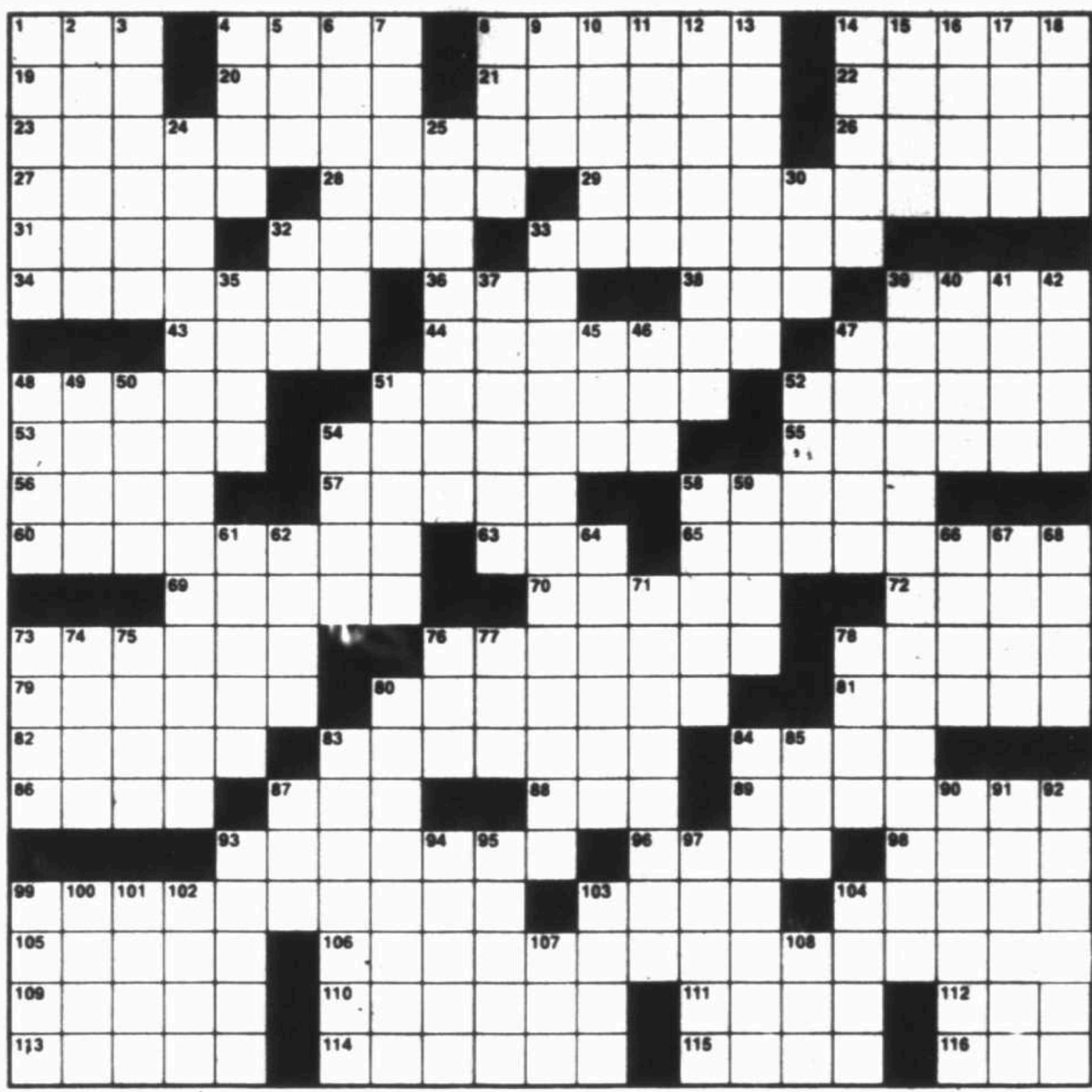
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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

SUNDAY, AUG. 17, 1997

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***** Your more quirky side comes out with a buddy. You like the unexpected, and get a handful of it. You suddenly see a partner in a much different light; his softer side emerges. Confirm plans; there could be a last-minute change. Chaos reigns. Tonight: Find your friends. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)

***** You strut into the spotlight with a rock-solid point of view. Be more creative and open to the process. The unexpected occurs when out and about. Another wants more from you; be careful, if you are in an important relationship. Tonight: Grab the limelight. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

***** Reach out for another. Creative thinking opens doors. A loved one adores you and lets you know. Be cautious with a new flirtation, if you value what you have. Focus on what you want for the future. Plans could change for a long-distance trip. Tonight: Try a new restaurant. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

***** Close relating seems natural. Entertain at home. Invite friends over for a spontaneous get-together. You might be confused about a message or what another says. Be generous, and give someone a second chance. Confirm plans. Tonight: Go for a close encounter. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** You know how to appeal to others. Use your softness in communications. Reach out for another, and let him express what is on his mind. Confusion marks plans, finances and relationships. You are full of liveliness and fun. Tonight: Others gravitate toward you. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Indulgence marks this weekend. Relax, and enjoy yourself more. Be willing to spend money on improving the quality of your life. You will feel more positive after you put your feet up. Converse with a friend, order in and make life easy. Tonight: Mellow out. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Your softer side comes out with a child or loved one. Indulgence and having a good time mark the day. You might be nervous and high-strung, in general. Consider options that would help you relate more effectively to a partner. Tonight: Enjoy good times. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** You are more centered than you have been in the last few days. Be optimistic about what you want. Think through a friendship, especially if you are receiving a mixed message. Be more in touch with what is happening here. Overdoing defines the day. Tonight: Flip burgers. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Make the first move. Start a conversation, and let others reveal their true feelings. You are optimistic. A loved one needs more of a commitment from you. Confusion surrounds someone you care about. Tonight: Hang out with friends. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** A more possessive side of you emerges. Your determination with finances comes out. Others adore you and let you know in no uncertain terms. Opportunity and finances mix positively. You know which way to turn, which is key. Indulge yourself and others. Tonight: It's your treat. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** You are personality-plus. Indulge yourself, and make the most of an opportunity. Be more lively and positive. Confusion surrounds a joint investment. Reach out for another; a serious discussion is important. There will be a renewed sense of connection. Tonight: Just ask. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

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AUGUST 17 - 23
SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

American Airpower Heritage Museum: EXHIBITION: The American Airpower Heritage Museum is internationally recognized for its collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia. The museum currently has five permanent exhibits, highlighting five different phases of World War II, in the main gallery and two permanent exhibits in the hangar. Take an online tour of the museum at <http://www.avdigi.com/aahm/aahm.html>, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport. Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 12-5pm, call 563-1000, Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.

Film Series: Let Us Forget - A Video Journey Through World War II, Free showing every other Saturday at 1pm, moderated by a museum docent and free refreshments.

Freddie Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBITION: Jungle Impressions, sights, sounds, scents, and textures of a tropical rain forest, through September 28, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBITION: 1114 N. Big Spring, Thurs.-Sun. 1-5pm, 682-9303, Free. **HEB Wine Department: EXHIBITION:** The Works of John DeFrance, call 697-1471, 3325 W. Wadley, Mon.-Sun. 24 hours.

McCormick Gallery, Midland College: 3600 N. Garfield, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, call 685-4556, Free.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBITION: Madame Alexander Dolls, 301 W. Missouri, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 2-5pm, Admission free, call 682-2931 or 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society: Brown-Dorsey Medallion Home, Midland's oldest restored home, 213 N. Weatherford, open by appointment, call 682-2931, Admission free.

Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBITION: Texas Abstract: New Painting in the Nineties, recent works by twelve contemporary artists from Texas, through August 24, EXHIBITION: Texas Realists: Contemporary Artists Series, David S. Gibson: Photography, landscape photographer, EXHIBITION: "The Search for Ancient Plainsmen: An Archaeological Experience, ongoing, EXHIBITION: The Collection, ongoing, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882, Free.

Odessa College: LRC, 201 W. University, Mon.-Thurs. 7:30am-10pm, Fri. 7:30am-5pm, Sat. & Sun. 2-5pm, call 335-6646, Free.

Odessa Art Association: 4909 E. University, San Miguel Square, Odessa, call 362-7988, Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: SUNDAY RIG TOURS: tours of the modern drilling rig, 2:30-4:30, a docent will be at the site near Interstate 20 to explain the rig for no additional charge, 1500 W. I-20 West, Mon.-Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 2-5, call 683-4403, Admission Charged.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian

Basin: Museum CLOSED for construction until September, 4909 E. University, Odessa, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 550-3811, Free.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 1-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, 3rd Floor Gallery, 4901 E. University, Odessa, call 552-2806, Free.

White Pool House: 112 E. Murphy St., Tues. 12pm-5pm, Wed.-Fri. 10am-3pm, Sun. 2pm-5pm, call 1-333-4072, Free.

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library: EXHIBITION: The library is currently featuring an unusual collection of images from the old West that contains works from several illustrated weekly periodicals dating from 1829-1916. The collection of works by noted artists such as R.F. Zogbaum, Charles Russell, and Frederic Remington include original wood-block prints, steel engraving prints and color lithographs, EXHIBITION: Remington's Portfolio of a Bunch of Buckskins, as well as saddles that belonged to influential pioneers, Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm, 1805 W. Indiana, call 682-5785, Free.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

Presidential Museum: EXHIBITION: Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, 622 N. Lee, Odessa, call 1-332-7123, Admission charged.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

Museum of the Southwest: COFFEE AND DESERT LECTURE SERIES: lecture series about understanding abstract art, guest speaker Bill Otton, Director of the Art Museum of South Texas, Corpus Christi, 7:30-8:30pm, speaking on the topic of The Donald Judd Box and other South Texas Controversies, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882, Free.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

Midland Community Theatre: MCLAREN COMEDY COMPETITION FESTIVAL: Theatre II, 8pm, call 682-4111, Admission charged.

ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

Senior featured

Joelle Glaser, a senior at Lee High School, will be featured during the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Choral's free outdoor concert Friday in Odessa and Saturday in Midland. Both concerts begin at 8 p.m.

Ms. Glaser, who began studying music when she was 5, will perform the solo from J.B. Arban's "The Carnival of Venice," a selection she performed at last year's UIL State Solo and Ensemble Competition. She was awarded outstanding soloist.



Glaser

She has lived in Midland since she was 14 and has studied trumpet under Michael Santorelli, Randy Storie and Willie Strieder, Texas Tech University trumpet professor.

The Odessa concert is set for the campus of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, and the Midland performance will be at Midland College.

Both feature the full orchestra. Included on the program will be "Pomp and Circumstance," selections from "Hercules," a Beach Boys medley, and a medley of songs from 1970 orchestrated by Rob Hunt, conductor.

This year's Outdoor Family Concerts help to kick-off the 25th anniversary celebrations of UTPB and MC.

The festivities will include accompaniment from brass players of the Permian, Odessa, Midland and Lee high school bands.

Concert sponsors include Odessa Regional Hospital, Texaco, Exxon, Northwest Bank and Berg Motor Company of Midland.

Grants in support of the concerts have been received from the Arts Assembly of Midland, the Odessa Cultural Council and the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Those attending are invited to bring lawn chairs. Chairs will be provided in Odessa. Food and beverages will be available for purchase at both locations.

In case of rain, the concert will be performed at 8 p.m. Aug. 24.

Artist selected

Midland artist Jan Foust Hurt has been selected to exhibit a mixed-media sculpture in the Mesa State National at Mesa State College, Grand Junction, Colo.

The exhibition will be displayed at Mesa State College and at the Western Colorado Center of the Arts and will run through Sept. 25. Juror for the event was Kathleen Boals Andrews, gallery and museum director for the Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, Arvada, Colo.

Mrs. Hurt's works are on view at the Fine Arts Center in Taos, N.M., Ekkektikos Gallery, Washington, D.C., and has been seen in the Permian Basin in the Midland Arts Association Spring Show at the Museum of the Southwest, at Proteus Salon and Gallery in Odessa and the Options Gallery at Odessa College.

Performance set

Soprano Julie Keim will perform an 8 p.m. concert Sept. 13 at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.

She will be accompanied by Darryl Knapp. The performance marks her second benefit here for Midland area AIDS Support, Inc.

Proceeds will benefit MAAS and will go toward supporting people living with HIV/AIDS, their families and friends and to provide education for the prevention of HIV/AIDS.

General admission tickets are \$10. General admission memorial listings are \$25. Sponsorships run \$100 Bronze Sponsor, two tickets; \$250 Silver Sponsor, four tickets; \$500 Gold Sponsor, six tickets; and \$1,000 Platinum Sponsor, eight tickets.

The Keim in Concert II Bobby Marshall Memorial Concert is being held in memory of Marshall and others named by sponsors of the event.

For more information on becoming a sponsor call Judy Warren, executive director, MAAS, 520-3055, or write MAAS, 800 W. Texas Ave., Midland, Texas 79701.

Classes offered

Tracy Alexander of Midland Community Theatre is teaching make-up classes for Halloween from 7 to 9 p.m., Oct. 14 and 16 and from noon to 4 p.m. Oct. 18 at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

Interested parties are asked to call the theatre's office, 682-2544, and reserve space. Cost is \$10 for "Just for Boo!" Oct. 14 and "Just for Boo, Too!" Oct. 16. Cost is \$20 "For Ghouls & Droids" Oct. 16. Those attending may bring a friend who is new to MCT for half-price.

Paintings displayed

Oil paintings by Midland Ella Heath are on display in the American National Bank lobby this month.

The 74-year-old great grandmother started painting in 1978. She has attended several locally sponsored workshops taught by such artists as Midlanders Judy Griffin and Bill Hagerman and Texans Jo Beth Gilliam and Jean Green and Jerry Fugere of New Mexico.

Pledge drive set

ODESSA — KOCV-TV, Channel 36/Cable 13, is holding a pledge drive through Aug. 24 to raise money for programming.

Special programming during the on-air drive includes "Glenn Miller: America's Musical Hero," today; "Elvis '56" and "Dave Koz Off the Beaten Path," Aug. 18; "Hume Cronyn and Jessica Tandy in 'An African Love Story,'" Aug. 19; "Understanding Cats" and "An Evening with Patti LaBelle," Aug. 20; "Riverdance," Aug. 21; "Engelbert Humperdinck: Love Unchained," Aug. 22; "Benny Goodman's Greatest Hits" and "Willie Nelson in Concert," Aug. 23; and "Aging Parents: Planning for the Future" and "Great Moments in Opera," Aug. 24.

Season to open

ODESSA — The Kaleidoscope Company of the Permian Playhouse opens its 1997-98 season Aug. 23 with "Little Red Riding Hood."

The show runs Aug. 23, 24, 30 and 31 at 2:30 p.m. In this version of the story, the wolf also has a grandmother. The Old Wolf is doing her best to share her wisdom of how to be a good wolf with her grandson the Young Wolf but he is determined to mimic mankind and to fool Little Red and Grandmother Shyboots.

Tickets, priced at \$6, are available at the Playhouse office, 310 W. 42nd St. For more information or reservations call 1-915-362-2329 or 550-5456.

Kaleidoscope Company season memberships, priced at \$12 for four punches, are available. This year's season includes "babes in Toyland" in December, "Bridge to Terabithia" in February and "Monkey Magic" in April.

School offered

First Presbyterian Church is again offering a Fine Arts School with classes beginning Aug. 25. Registration is under way.

The school offers classes and individual instruction in art and music for ages 18 months and older. Director is Rebecca Sawyer, 684-7821.

Workshops set

Midland Arts Association is sponsoring artist Betty Carr in a watercolor workshop at the Stables Gallery, Museum of the Southwest, and Howard Carr teaching oil at the Palette Club Oct. 6-10.

The cost of the workshops depend on the total number of people combined from both classes. The more attending, the less the workshops will cost.

Mrs. Carr has a Master's Degree in Fine Arts from San Jose State University, California, and teaches workshops nationwide.

Both Carrs have appeared in Southwest Art and Art of the West. Carr studied at Chouinard Art College and has a Master's of Business Administration from California College of Arts and Crafts.

For more information call Ann Elise McCoy, 699-1820 or 694-4434.

Performance set

SAN ANGELO — West Texas Boys Ranch continues its 50th anniversary celebration Aug. 23 when Broadway entertainer and country music artist Gary Morris takes center stage to perform with the West Texas Boys Ranch Symphony Orchestra.

Gene Chartier Smith will conduct the orchestra which will feature talent from San Angelo and surrounding areas. The evening begins at 7 p.m. in the City Auditorium.

A reception with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar for ticket holders with Morris will be held following the concert at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. Concert tickets are \$25 and can be purchased through the WTBR office, 1-915-949-1936, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Performance set

Austin musician W.C. Clark plays Riley's Bar & Grill, 3421 W. Wall Ave., Aug. 28.

Clark, who has been called the "Godfather of Austin blues," makes his LP debut on Black Top Records with "Heart of Gold." His first musical influences came from the church choir. He didn't start playing guitar until he was 14 and soon thereafter decided his future lay in the bass guitar and blues.

Clark claims "anybody can play the blues. Black, white. It doesn't matter. The blues are just feelings we've all got. It's just a matter of how good your fingers are connected to your soul."

Through the years, his music has influenced such Texas performers as Stevie Ray Vaughan, The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Angela Strehli, Lou Ann Barton and Marcia Ball.

For more information on the local performance call Riley's, 520-0006.

Positions open

LUBBOCK — The Lubbock Symphony Orchestra has announced auditions for several open positions, including concertmaster, principal cello, section positions in all string sections, and section trumpet.

Auditions for concertmaster and section trumpet will be held at 7 p.m. Sept. 4 in Hemmle Recital Hall at Texas Tech University. Tryouts for all other open positions will be at 7 p.m. Sept. 5 in the same location.

All area professional musicians are invited to apply and audition. The selected musicians will begin performing with the LSO during the 1997-98 season, which begins in September.

For more information contact LSO, Northwest Center, 1500 Broadway, Suite 1117, Lubbock, Texas 79401; or call the symphony, 1-806-745-6477 or 762-1688. Those wishing to audition need to call for an audition time.

Season to close

The popular dance band, The Shades, originally scheduled to perform Aug. 10 at the Museum of the Southwest, will now close the 10th season of Summer Sunday Lawn Concerts today at 7:45 p.m. at the museum, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

The Shades specialize in dance rock 'n' roll from the '50s through the '90s as well as popular country songs.

The group has warmed up for, among others, The Charlie Daniels Band, Janie Fricke, The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and has performed after Midland Angels games, at fund raisers, reunions, receptions and for the Texas Association of Museums annual meeting.

The series is supported by the Midland Reporter-Telegram. This concert is sponsored by Henderson Photography. The concert honors Texas Commerce Bank.

The public is invited to bring lawn chairs, quilts, picnics and drinks. The museum invites the public to enjoy the music, dance on the driveway, have a picnic supper or relax on the grass.

Lunch meeting set

The Arts Assembly of Midland is hosting a brown bag lunch meeting of arts organizations at noon Wednesday.

Beverages will be available; the meeting will begin at noon and end at 1 p.m. Information about the 1997 Arts Assembly grants and Texas Commission on the Arts

NET will be available. Questions will be answered.

All organizations are asked to be represented by staff or a board member. RSVP by calling 687-1149, sending Email to arts@mid@iglobal.net or a facsimile to 687-1600.

Balloon Rally set

ALPINE — The Alpine Chamber of Commerce is bringing back "Hot-Air" ballooning to the city with the Invitational Balloon Rally slated for Aug. 30-Sept. 1.

There will be 12 to 15 balloons flying over Alpine for three days. For more information call the Alpine Chamber of Commerce, 1-915-837-2326 or send a facsimile to 1-915-837-3638.

Lineup announced

LUBBOCK — Broadway Festivals, Inc., has announced this year's Buddy Holly Music Festival lineup including Carl Perkins, Joe Ely, Johnny Tillotson, Terry Allen and the Marines Brothers.

The festival is set for Sept. 4-7 and features a sock hop, street fair, historical tour and the Buddy Holly Musical Gala Kick-Off.

The 6 p.m. gala Sept. 4 will be held at the Cactus Theater, 1-806-762-3233. Also, the musical production "Buddy! The Buddy Holly Story" starring musician Donnie Allison as Holly, will be presented at the Cactus Theater. Allison is releasing a CD entitled "A tribute to Buddy Holly" Sept. 4.

Buddy Holly memorabilia will be on display in the historic Depot building.

For a complete lineup of events and times call Lubbock's Convention and Tourism Bureau, 1-800-692-4035.

Special show set

The Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library and J. Evetts Haley History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave., is hosting a special show from the collections of Tom Ryan through August.

The show features an unusual collection of images from the Old West that contain works from several illustrated weekly periodicals dating from 1829-1916 by noted artists such as R.F. Zogbaum, Carl Bodner, Peter Rindisbacher, Frederic Remington, C.M. Russell and others. The periodicals include Harper's Weekly, Collier's Weekly, The London Illustrated Times,

Gleason's Magazine, Frank Leslie's Illustrated Weekly, McClure's Magazine and others.

These original wood-block prints, steel engraving prints and lithographs show not only the artistic evolution of the illustrators, but also the evolution of the printer's art during the period from 1829-1916.

Also on display is Remington's "Portfolio of a Bunch of Buckskins" as well as saddles that belonged to influential pioneers in the "Cowboys Who Rode Proudly" exhibit.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. No admission is charged during regular business hours.

Class to be held

A class in composition and design in painting presented by Herb Cooper will be held Sept. 8-Nov. 3.

Oils will be taught from 9 a.m. to noon Mondays and watercolors from 2 to 4 p.m. Mondays. For more information or to make reservations call Cooper, 683-2295. Class size is limited to 12. No class Oct. 6.

Show presented

The Blakemore Planetarium presents "The Mars Show" in commemoration of the 1997 return to the red planet by the Mars Pathfinder and Mars Global Surveyor spacecraft.

The show is being shown at 8 p.m. Fridays at the planetarium through December excluding holidays.

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. Schools and groups of 25 or more may schedule special presentations between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

For more information call the Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest, 683-2882, or send e-mail to skyguy@basin-link.com.

The Mars Show features state-of-the-art computer graphics depicting, in detail, the landing, surface operations and scientific goals of the ongoing Mars missions.

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PLAYS: Audience to decide winner

(From 1D)

Ireland, David Duncel, David Whitaker, Jhenai Mootz, Reid Merritt, Jeremy Wood, Heidi Hargrove and Geoff Walker.

The one female playwright in the group is Mary Lynn Dobson of New Jersey, who has written for theater, radio and comedy groups for 15 years and was for eight years the producing director of the Not Ready for Bedtime Players. Her family show, "The Somewhat True Tale of ROBIN HOOD" has been solicited by Disney Theatrical Productions.

Directing the reader's theater presentation of "The Somewhat True Tale of ROBIN HOOD" is Tracy Alexander. Readers include Dan Marchant, Sarah Pietraszek-Mattner, Neal Allen, J.D. Webster, David Odom, Shelly Chetty, Amy Abbott, John Alldredge, Greg Alexander, Jo Richards and Susan Phillips.

"The Somewhat True Tale of ROBIN HOOD" is a family show and a takeoff on Robin Hood with a lot of modern touches," Ms. Cassidy said. "In fact, if you read it straight you might even think it was the Summer Mummies. The Sheriff of Nottingham and Robin have a contest not in archery but in bowling." She said laughing. "It's a little updated."

On the opposite end of the rating scale is "Brothers" by Dave Williams of Sacramento, Calif., who has spent 28 years in radio as an on-air personality, program manager and commercial copy writer. For the past 16 years, Williams has hosted The KFBK Morning News from 5 until 9 a.m. weekdays.

"It's the ultimate sibling-rivalry play," Ms. Cassidy said. "And it's a little raunchy. It's probably our only — I'm not even sure it's a PG 13 —

maybe R. A lot of language in that one."

Required to meet once a year and be sociable to each other or they won't inherit any part of their father's estate, the brothers "don't like each other at all," Ms. Cassidy said.

Directing "Brothers" is Harry Harrison. Readers include Jim Miller, Andy Salcedo, Bill Warren, Lynn Miller and Max Howard.

Set in the Yellow Rose Motel in a little town 60 miles from Dallas, "JFK Slept Here" is also by a West Coast playwright — Jason Milligan of Southern California. Milligan has had 20 plays published.

"Business is real bad at the motel so they make up this story that JFK stayed there and had his last romantic affair the night before he was assassinated," Ms. Cassidy said. "And that gets them all involved with something called the Camelot Fan Foundation — a woman who goes around in a Jacqueline Kennedy outfit to keep the embers of Camelot smoldering. It's kind of bizarre, and it's a funny Texas yahoo play."

Ronnie Williams is directing the local presentation. Readers include Clay Grizzle, Sally Mogford, Michael Chetty, Alatha Blishe, Sandy Faulkner and Lynn Hall.

The five plays were selected from 154 plays sent in from 27 states. "Most of them were bad," Ms. Cassidy said.

The Festival begins at 7 p.m. each day. For reservations call the theater box office, 682-4111. Tickets are \$3 for each evening or \$5 for both nights.

"We are starting at 7 p.m. so we can get these plays read and get you out of there at a decent hour," said Ms. Cassidy, who recommended to theater fans, "If you wish to be an informed voter, go both nights."

CLOSE: Mummies' season winds down

(From 1D)

"I was in Mummies before Bruce and I got married in 1978. I played a bar girl and the heroine's sidekick, and danced in the olio for several years. Our good friend Randy Hicks, who wrote several Mummies scripts, often urged us to try our hand at it."

Mummies' producer Rod Slaton agrees with Dove that audiences "seem to like it (the melodrama) real well. Anybody who knows Linda and Bruce really seems excited about watching their play."

"We've had a lot of fun with characters and costumes and gave a little more attention to costumes than in the past. It's a bright and colorful show visually, and we've been able to carry that circus theme into the olio, too — a natural progression there."

The olio, directed by Ann Semple and Jed Barker, is a series of short skits following the drama.

This year's olio is "one of our best," said Barker, who claimed "the olio has always been my favorite part of Summer Mummies."

Counting blackouts, the olio contains close to 25 acts.

"I was just real thrilled I was given the opportunity to assist Ann Semple in directing. I've always kind of felt that the melodrama which precedes the olio — Barker laughed — "the only reason for it is to give people the opportunity to drink beer so that they can enjoy the olio."

Many of the performers in

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—Rod Slaton, producer

the olio also are in the melodrama.

"We have a great eclectic bunch of people," Barker said. "And everything from Marching Pooper Scoopers to a new choreographer, Jan Collier."

The Marching Pooper Scoopers routine is a take off on those who follow the elephants around with their shovels and brooms in the circus, Barker said. "These guys are a lot of the same people who did the marching-chair brigade a couple of years ago. They now are wearing red jump suits and marching around with their shovels. We have, of course, our men dancers that the ladies go crazy for. It's a real good, good number this year."

Presenting the olio requires, Barker said, "A lot of organization, most of that from Ann Semple. I'm the co-director, but Ann is the driving force behind it." The olio is assembled from successful acts of years gone by and new routines.

"Ann and I will sit down and try and work out what acts we want to add," said Barker. "We know we want Mule Train, Idiot Stick, the female dancers and male dancers. Once we do that, we look and see how much time and how many acts we now have

to fill.

"Most of the time, we pick some tried and true that we haven't done in a year or two, like Three Feathers. And we leave some space for new acts."

"Once the show opens, then we're involved in making sure the acts don't get too sloppy and that the audience likes them. Occasionally, we'll think something's going to be a hit, and the audience hates them and visa versa — Ann and I will think this act is going to be a stinker. The audience just loves it. Ann and I have learned you just can't figure out the Mummies audience."

Tickets, ranging in price from \$4 to \$14, may be purchased at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. Rated PG 13, the melodrama and olio close Aug. 30. Curtain is at 8 p.m. For reservations call 682-4111. Tickets are not available for the Aug. 28 performance. All other shows still have seating.

Several changes this summer have added appeal to the production.

"We have a brand new speaker system in the Yucca," Dove said. "And the sound is very, very good. In past years, we've had a little bit of a problem with some people, especially up

under the balcony, not being able to hear. That's no longer the case. The sound is very, very good all through the house. That's a big improvement."

Also, the show ends earlier in the evening than in recent past years, said Rod Slaton, producer of the Summer Mummies.

"The last couple of years we were pushing the witching hour of midnight getting people out of there," said Slaton. "It's been around 11:15 (p.m.) getting people out of there. And that's gone over real well."

Popcorn sales are up this season.

"We set a budget higher than last year's, and it looks like we're on track to exceed that by about \$2,000," said Slaton.

Attendance has been holding steady.

"About five years ago, attendance at Mummies peaked at around 12,000, and it's been running pretty level at close to 11,000 since then," said Slaton. "And it looks like we'll end up around there this year."

The fund raiser wouldn't be possible without volunteers.

"We have a base of about 400 volunteers and it takes 80 to 100 per night," said Slaton.

"Mummies is a machine that is so well oiled it pretty much takes care of itself for the most part," said Slaton. "I have to see that some things are put into place on a timely basis, but it pretty much rolls along by itself. We have so many good volunteers that have been loyal to us for so many years — a lot of what they do is just second nature almost."

Arts Assembly has funds available

Staff reports

The Arts Assembly of Midland has funds available for Midland non-profit arts projects for 1998.

Deadline to apply is 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29. No grant application will be accepted after that time. Grants will be announced in September to local arts and cultural organizations which benefit Midland.

Eligible organizations must be: a member of the Arts Assembly of Midland (\$25-\$50 a year); a not-for-profit, tax exempt 501 (c) (3) organization or under the umbrella of

one; providing arts and humanities services to people in the Midland area; requesting project assistance, that is, funding for a particular project, program or performance, not for debt reduction, out-of-state travel, in-school curriculum projects, fund raisers, receptions or social functions; willing to participate in the celebration of the Arts May 16 and 17, 1998.

For more information, an application packet or a preapplication discussion of the application process, call the Arts Assembly, 687-1149.

Ballroom Dance Society meets once a month

From staff reports

The Ballroom Dance Society of West Texas meets once a month at the Petroleum Club of Midland.

The club, with around 160 members from Midland, Odessa, Big Spring and Crane, usually meets on the first Saturday and always has live music. Officers are installed in October.

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GEORGE H W BUSH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Parents head to Bush Elementary School with their students on Wednesday morning, the first day of school for Midland public school students. Parents and teachers have been grappling with talking about the loss of former physical education teacher Glynda Jones. Ms. Jones was the victim of an Aug. 4 hit-and-run accident.

Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

What do you tell the children?

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Lifestyle Editor

"You can tell kids: 'Mrs. Jones was a good teacher. She made us work hard and sweat in P.E.' Let the kids keep their memories," said C. Glenn Woods to a roomful of the late teacher's peers at Washington Elementary School. Woods, director of counseling for Midland Independent School District, spoke to teachers before school started to advise them on how to talk about death to children.

Mrs. Jones died after being hit by a truck while jogging Aug. 4. Another former Midland teacher, who was employed with the Odessa school district at the time of her death, was killed during a burglary April 16.

The 1997-98 school year began Wednesday and some teachers and parents dealt with telling children Ms. Jones' desk would remain empty.

Along with teaching basic skills, educators often find themselves teaching character development and life skills, and helping children get over emotional hurdles. Discussing the loss of a teacher is another delicate situation.

"We had a teacher die of a heart attack Labor Day last year," Woods said. "Myself, and the Insight counseling staff, met with campus counselors to tell them how to talk about death, and let them know about the different emotions. Some children might feel anger and not know it's because they miss the person and they are angry that they are gone."

"The key thing is to listen to what a child has to say," Woods said, urging adults not to dismiss a child's concerns. "You should respond to their questions."

He also said that there could be delayed reactions from students. "Sometimes they won't respond to an incident until six weeks after the event occurs."

Since Ms. Jones had students in the cluster system, MISD counselors met with educators at Bush, Lamar and Washington elementary schools cluster group.

Lamar Elementary School counselor Ron Moss said the faculty expected questions about Ms. Jones to arise after children settled into the school routine. "In many cases, some children may not respond to this until something triggers it several months down the road," he said. "Right now they are busy with starting a new school year and are occupied with other things as they settle into routines. But something they may see or hear, or another news story, may trigger a grief response later on. And some children just are not ready to deal with this at this point."

Moss stressed the importance of responding to children's questions. "Even if you think: 'I thought we talked about this,' children may need to be reassured. They may voice the same concerns (already addressed) and they need to talk about it



Tonia Armstrong, above, seated on right, talks about her memories of Glynda Jones with her peers at Washington Elementary School during a meeting before the first day of school. MISD counseling director C. Glenn Woods, photo at left, tells Washington Elementary School teachers about assistance available from school counselors. Taking notes is Ken Young, a sixth-grade teacher at Washington.

Photos by Brian Adamcik

Children need answers about death

Staff Reports

Children's concerns are sometimes similar, sometimes different than adults. However, because the adults around them are often grieving too, children's needs and concerns may go unaddressed. Some responses that children might have to death include the following:

■ Separation anxiety — Will they lose other loved ones? Will someone take care of them?

■ Magical thinking — Are they responsible for the illness or death because of something they did or did not do, felt or did not feel?

■ Meaning of death — Will the dead person return? (Comparisons of death to sleep can lead to fears about sleeping.)

■ Physical problems may manifest, such as bed wetting or nightmares.

■ Behavioral problems may occur, such as a decline in school performance, sullenness, refusal to be left alone.

When someone close to a child has died, the child needs honest, open, reassuring answers, and a chance to pose questions in a secure environment. It is important to allow children to express their concerns, and to answer those concerns. Their participation in commemorative rituals — funerals or other memorial ceremonies — can give them a place to mourn and express their feelings. In addition, it can be a comfort to be with other children who have the same feelings.

Please see CHILDREN/2E

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Couple honored with various prenuptial parties

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

After a honeymoon to Lake Tahoe, Nev., Kirk French and his bride, the former Charlotte Scharbauer, are now at home in Fort Worth. Kirk is employed by NationsBank in Dallas, and Charlotte is completing her studies at Texas Christian University.

The couple were united in marriage on Aug. 2 at First Baptist Church, with former pastor Dr. Daniel Vestal of Atlanta, Ga., returning to perform the ceremony.



McKnight-Harrison

Prenuptial festivities began in Midland in June with a kitchen shower at the home of Patti (Mrs. Watson) LaForce. The other hostesses were Diana (Mrs. Ed) Weyman, Doris (Mrs. John) Braun, Terry (Mrs. Ed) Atkin, Trinka (Mrs. Nick) Taylor, LaDonna (Mrs. Richard) Moore, Flo (Mrs. Sam) White and Glenda Pearce.

July's events started with a "Honey Do" shower and barbecue around the pool at the Racquet Club. Hosts and hostesses were Melinda and Dan Moody, Bay and Tommy Orloff, Patti and Chuck Wallace, Jill and Don Poage, Jan and Joe O'Neill, Shirlee and Roger Letz, Linda and Brad Bennett, Kathy and David Childress, Tricia and Joe Golding, Karen and Spencer Beal, and Connie Scharbauer.

A bachelorette weekend in San Antonio in mid-July included a dinner hosted by Deborah and Rex Amini and a luncheon and lingerie shower at the Hyatt Regency San Antonio Riverwalk. The hostesses were Amy Kidwell, Melissa Lowder, Kelly Scharbauer, and Stephanie Green, all of Midland, and Ashley Amini, of San Antonio.

Also in July, a Sip and See Party was held around the pool at the Scharbauer home and hosted by Vicki (Mrs. Jim) Chase for the mother of the bride and friends to view the wedding gifts.

The wedding week festivities began on Thursday evening, July 31, with a "Let the Celebration Begin" dinner party for the out-of-town guests at the home of Rhonda and Lynn Durham. The other host couples were Sally and Steve Melzer, Jann and Vince Bash, Bettye and Don Jones, Susie and Don Evans, Terry and Jack Wilkinson, Jody and Jerry Green, Ellen and Larry Bell and Marion and Sikes Johnson.

A scramble golf tournament for the groom's attendants and the male out-of-town guests was held on Friday at Midland Country Club. It was hosted by the groom and the bride's father, Clarence Scharbauer III.

The bridesmaids luncheon was held on Friday at the Racquet Club. Hostesses were Sallie (Mrs. Don) Kidwell and daughter, Amy; Barbara (Mrs. Trey) Grafa and daughter Courtney, and Kelly Scharbauer, sister of the bride. That evening, Green Tree Country Club was the set-

ting for the rehearsal dinner. Hosts were the groom's parents, Sandra and Arthur Dragisic and Barbara and Kirk French.

On the wedding day, a bridal luncheon was given for the out-of-town guests at the Racquet Club. Hosting were Dorothy and Clarence Scharbauer, Karen and Doug Scharbauer, LaVonne and Chris Scharbauer and Pam Scharbauer.

The bride's parents, Kerry and Clarence Scharbauer III, hosted the wedding reception at Midland Country Club.

The couple also were honored in Fort Worth with several parties given by their TCU friends and wedding party members.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY alumni, current and incoming students and their parents gathered on a rainy Sunday afternoon at Joanie and Sam Macferran's home to meet and greet one another. The Macferrans' daughter, Kim, also hosted.

Among the area alumni present were Sharla and Bart Hotchkiss, Joann (Mrs. John) Foster Sr., Jerry Krueger, Jann (Mrs. Jim) Pullig, and Mary (Mrs. Mark) Taylor. Robin Dutton, formerly of Midland, who now works for the university, also attended.

Incoming students included Alicia High, Mark Hardwick, Ben Miller and John Purves. Returning students on hand to greet them were Chris Norris, Julie Birdsong and Emily Conine.

WHEN MARK HANNIFIN of Family SCUBA Center at City of Midland Aquatics arrived at the Honolulu airport recently, he was surprised to read the headline, "Mahalo Airlines Bankrupt."

A reporter from the Honolulu Advertiser, seeing that Mark and his party of 20 were waiting to board the Mahalo flight to Maui, interviewed him. Mark replied, "Chapter 11 takes awhile. We have the tickets. They have the planes. So as long as the planes fly, we're good to go!"

Much to the group's delight, he was quoted in the next day's edition.

The Midland contingent was composed of Mark and his wife, Linda; his parents, Maxine and Bob Hannifin; Sandra (Mrs. James) Bramlett, Debbie Harkins and daughters, Shauna and Jessica; Chris and Steve Robichaud and son, Greg, and Rick and Stacy Yadon and children, Kristen and Chase.

Out-of-towners were Linda's mother, Mrs. Tommie Jean Fowler of Plano; Linda's sister, Mrs. Tommie Ruth Brown of Kissimmee, Fla.; Christy Alexander and Barbara Starnes of Odessa and Julia Treece of Abilene.

As it turned out, all went well, and a week later, the group caught Mahalo en route back to their homes, having had a great time in Hawaii.

Marilyn McKnight Harrison is social columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

Hearts don't forget loved ones who die

By Monica Frazier Anderson
N.Y. Times News Service

The hysterical squawks of the chickens woke us up around midnight. The darkness was so thick you could have sliced it with a butcher knife. My small body trembled and rolled toward my grandmother's side of the bed as she abruptly sat up and moved to the edge of the mattress.

In the air, the growl of a hungry wolf echoed strangely off-key in the squawking chorus. I held my breath and followed the sound of my grandmother's footsteps as she walked to the corner by the fireplace and picked up her .22 rifle.

"Stay here, Monica!" she commanded in her heavy alto as she headed toward the back porch. Naturally, I jumped out of the bed and followed on her heels, as closely as I dared. I feared the dark more than I feared her reproach.

She didn't turn on any lights as she made her way through the house. I couldn't reach the strings hanging from the naked bulbs high above me.

We emerged from the dark house into the black night like a female version of the Lone Ranger and Tonto, but this Tonto was terrified. Grandmother never paused for breath. She raised the rifle barrel up to her shoulder and pumped off three rounds before I could plug my ears. Her face glowed like that of a strange Earth angel each time the long barrel belched fire and smoke. She was aiming so high that I didn't think she'd hit the barn, let alone some crazy wolf.

My Uncle Raymond, one of her 15 children, killed a cow one time when he was deer hunting. He can't see very well. Of course, it was broad daylight then, but the point is that you have to be careful around the livestock. Later I realized that grandmother wasn't actually trying to hit anything. She just wanted to frighten the wolf away. The chickens were so scared that they didn't lay any eggs for a few days.

The next morning, I awakened to the oh-so-wonderful smell of homemade biscuits, fresh sausage and scrambled eggs. My grandmother never even mentioned the previous night. If it hadn't been for the bloody fur on the barbed wire near the hen house,

I would have thought it was all a dream. She was some kind of woman, my grandma.

She passed away a year ago.

It's funny how the memories seem more vivid than ever, even after all this time. She was so strong and wise and patient. She survived so much tragedy, poverty and racism. After the slaves were freed, my ancestors walked from Arkansas to East Texas and built the homestead outside Jefferson, where my grandmother lived until she died. Everything she could see from her porch belonged to her.

Always the optimist, Grandmother never complained and never looked back with regret. She walked again after her first stroke and left the doctors shaking their heads in wonder.

Then the last years brought a heart attack, cancer, another stroke and so many brown bottles of medicine from so many doctors. By the time she went away, it was a merciful alternative to the life of total dependency.

I knew it was coming, but you can't prepare for that sort of pain. I cried a lot at first. Time is a good pain reliever, but from time to time its effects tend to wear off abruptly, just like aspirin.

It wore off today.

I woke up this morning, and the sadness washed over me like a steamy shower of tears. I thought I was beyond this harshest form of grief. I thought I could live the rest of my life content with all my happy memories of our time together.

And I can. Except when, every now and then, some unexpected event — a sight, the sound of someone's voice, or the smell of hot biscuits — opens a floodgate of blues that no amount of reason can control.

She's not suffering anymore. She had a long, productive life. She wouldn't have been happy confined to a bed. I know, yes, I know. Those are logical, reasonable answers. But hearts won't listen to logic. Not mine, anyway. Hearts just love.

Right now, I really miss my grandma.

Monica Frazier Anderson is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Parents encourage sibling loyalty

By Salley Shannon
N.Y. Times News Service

Ryan, age 6, was admiring his older brother's collection of hockey trading cards when Patrick, 10, had an inspiration. "Ryan, why don't you get dressed up in your new goalie uniform?" he asked.

Ryan nodded enthusiastically, and soon the boys were strapping on the helmet and protective gear.

"Next, Patrick posed Ryan in a combative position and took some Polaroid pictures of him," recalls their mom, Laurie Haughey of Chevy Chase, Md. "Then Patrick cut out the best image and created a trading card featuring his little brother as a star goalie."

"Ryan was thrilled!" Haughey says. "He loves having his own trading card with his picture on it. And we all thought Patrick was really cool to think of the idea."

This sort of gesture isn't unusual in the Haughey household. The three children, Patrick, Ryan and Katie, 8, are close — and often openly affectionate. Haughey believes that's because she and her husband, Brad, have deliberately encouraged their children's mutual loyalty in a variety of ways, from frequent family outings to evenhandedness when addressing sibling conflicts.

"Sure, our kids fight," Laurie Haughey says. "Anytime you live in close quarters with another person, there will be arguments. But the bottom line is, we expected to have a close family, and we worked to make that happen."

Recent research shows that such old-fashioned family loyalty is still cherished by today's parents.

"In our research on parental perceptions of their children's sibling relationships, we found that what concerns parents above all else is that their children be close," says Laurie Kramer, associate professor of applied family studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Kramer and her colleagues studied 57 two-parent, two-child families. The parents answered questionnaires asking them what they thought constituted good sibling relationships, and about their own chil-

dren's relationships, and researchers visited each family three times to observe the kids' interactions with each other and their parents' responses to them.

What she and her colleagues learned convinced Kramer that while parents desire a tightly knit family, they don't always send that message clearly to their kids.

"We're so focused on stopping fights that we've lost sight of our main goal: fostering a sense of closeness between our children," she says.

"If you want your children to be close, then you need to make it a family priority," Kramer says. "If you don't have a goal, you won't reach one."

THE KEY TO THE HAUGHEYS' success was their conscious effort to achieve family solidarity. Here are some suggestions from Kramer and other experts on how to make that goal a reality.

Tell your children it's important to cherish siblings — now and later.

"Children definitely need to be told that their siblings are valuable, in ways they can understand at their age," says Linda Dunlap, chair of the psychology department at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Families don't always verbalize these deeply held feelings, perhaps because they take them for granted.

Point out the strengths of each child. Encourage your kids to look for positive traits in each other and express appreciation for them. "I like the way you made your fort."

You can also guide an older child to see that a younger sibling's behavior may be built more on admiration than a desire to annoy. "I know it makes you angry when Sarah uses your art supplies. We'll remind her to use her own things. But you know, she really took your glitter glue because she wants to make great pictures like you do."

Stress commonality. Get across the idea that family is important in every way you can. Tell stories about when Grandma was little and how Uncle Ben came to marry Aunt Betty. Help your kids develop pride in being part of this

clan, and encourage them to think in terms of family loyalty — including loyalty to one another.

Do things that depend on cooperation. Try an all-day family bicycle expedition. Or declare "pajama day" and spend a whole Saturday morning in bed, watching old movies and eating apples. Good times together solidify any family.

Another good idea is to assign children chores they can do together, says Beth Manke, assistant professor in the psychology department at the University of Houston.

"Just make sure they are age-appropriate," she says.

In other words, don't put your 5-year-old in charge of pouring milk with "help" from the 3-year-old. A better assignment would be to suggest the 3-year-old hold the basket so big brother can pick up the toys and drop them in. Older children can be assigned half a grocery list with their own cart, with freedom to figure out who gets what.

Work at treating each child fairly, and let your children know how hard you're trying.

Most parents realize it isn't always possible to "share and share alike." Sometimes one child simply needs more of your time, because she's sick or needs to get supplies for her science fair project by Thursday.

If that's the case, say so — especially if your children are young. "I haven't forgotten that you really want to go to the park, and we will — soon. But today we need to pick up Eric's band uniform at the cleaners'."

Such comments tell the child that even though she may not be the center of attention now, her turn will come — Mom won't forget her.

PRAISE EXAMPLES of the behavior you hope to see. Children need to hear positive feedback at least as often as they hear negative feedback, Dunlap says.

The child who hears "It was really nice of you to leave the last doughnut for your sister" may have left it because he wasn't hungry anymore — but you've still upped the chances he will

remember his sister the next time there's one doughnut left.

If you have two young children, you need to supervise their play, Dunlap says. A 3-year-old often will interact with a 4- or 5-year-old sibling in the only way she knows how: by grabbing, punching or taking a toy. Then, of course, the 4-year-old may try to strike back.

When you intervene in such a situation, also try to encourage the children's cooperation and affection. Let the older child "teach" the younger one things. Big brother can build the block tower, with the deliberate intent that the younger sister's "job" will be to knock it over.

Manke says that children, especially those over 8, often have developed good conflict resolution skills. So when an argument unfolds over ownership or anything else, you need to wait and listen before jumping in to help resolve problems. If help is needed, take yourself out of the role of judge, Manke suggests.

"Don't say, 'Who started this? Instead, ask leading questions of each child. 'What do you need to have happen here?'"

WHEN KIDS reach their teens, parental intervention may actually escalate the frequency of conflicts.

"Kids this age are newly vulnerable because so many changes take place during adolescence," Dunlap says. "You don't want to get involved in their conflicts, if you can avoid it, because it will only up their feelings of competition. 'See, Mom says I'm right.'"

However, if your teens have a pattern of frequent fights, you may want to talk with them — in a cool moment — about why the pattern exists. What is sis getting out of bugging her big brother? Why can't he just turn off her nagging?

"It's important to help them rethink their patterns of behavior," says Kramer, "because we're beginning to believe that relationships with a pattern often repeat themselves later in life: in a marriage, for example."

CHILDREN: Need reassuring

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again."

At Washington, teachers found themselves in the uncomfortable situation of attending Ms. Jones' memorial service one hour before the school orientation for sixth-grade students. "Some of the same students attended the memorial service, then came to the orientation," said Washington teacher Tonia Armstrong, who will be teaching the sixth-grade students who learned basic physical education skills in the fifth-grade from Ms. Jones.

"She made my job easier. The kids have the basic skills down and I take it to a more creative level," Ms. Armstrong said. "Ms. Jones was fair, firm and consistent. The kids will remember that."

Woods said the main thing for parents and teachers to remember is to not brush aside questions from youngsters. "The more experienced experts in the field consistently stress listening to children, especially if they seem very fearful," he said.

Mark Mercer, social work director for Hospice of Midland, said children don't have to exhibit major problems to benefit from being in a grief support group with other children.

Mercer said indications that a child is having difficulty dealing with a loss include changes in behavior. "They may be more wooden and flat, and show very little interest in their daily life. They may have nightmares or grades dropping." The most direct way to know if a child would benefit from a support group is to ask the child, Mercer said.

Some teachers said students can benefit greatly just by talking to their ministers or clergymen about death.

Woods said he tells teachers not to overstate the attributes of a person who has died. "I usually say: 'Don't eulogize and build them up to more than they were.' But there is no way to build up Mrs. Jones too much. She was connected to these children — and to this school district — in lots of ways."

Several teachers said they realize their impact on students when they come back to talk their years later. "It's a real compliment," Ms. Armstrong said. "Kids come back and see us, and they tell us they have heard about us even before they take a class from us. They say: 'I've heard about you Coach Armstrong.' We are touched by that, and we know how important our relationship is with students."

Ms. Armstrong said she's not apprehensive about discussing death and loss to students.

"The kids bring out the best in you. Once we see their nervous little faces and excitement to be in school, it pumps us up," Ms. Armstrong said. "You know you can handle anything," she said.

Midland school teachers and counselors in the Bush-Lamar-Washington cluster are prepared to talk to students about the loss of Ms. Jones.

Hospice of Midland offers support groups for children. The Rainbows support group is for children 4-14, and Spectrum is for teen-agers 15-18. For more information on grief and grief support groups, call Hospice at 682-2855.

Nighttime routine sets tone for school day

By Hap LeCrone
N.Y. Times News Service

As youngsters are back in school, their thoughts turn to questions like: What will my teacher or teachers be like? Will I get to be in the same class or classes with some of my friends?

A daily schedule does set the tone for the school day and the right mix of teachers and classmates naturally makes the day more pleasant, but equally important is the schedule away from school.

Students think:

What can I do after school and how much homework will I have? How much time will I have to be with friends and engage in extracurricular activities?

Scheduling the time away from school involves the cooperation of the entire family. It means:

■ Having a regular bed time hour to assure adequate rest and having enough time in the morning to dress, gather belongings and get to school on time.

■ Having a definite study time so assignments are completed as well as having a time for relaxation and recreation.

■ Having time for the family to gather and share experiences and news of the day.

One way to establish a 24-hour school day routine is to divide the day into blocks of time. Each family is unique and can set its own limits, but generally the following activities will be included:

■ Before school prep time — This includes time for dressing; performing morning duties such as making the bed, straightening the room, feeding the pet; checking the book bag to be sure all books, lunch or lunch money and necessary items are

intact.

Try to schedule enough time so everyone gets away from home on a happy note. Frantic rushing and exchanging unpleasant remarks create a bad start for everyone.

■ Early morning nourishment and transportation — Schedule time for breakfast at home or at school and allow plenty of time for meeting the bus or carpool. Delays create unpleasant exchanges.

■ After school time — Rest and recreation time can include time for friends, exercise and play and for extracurricular activities such as athletics, music, dance, theater, etc.

■ Dinner time — This can be a time for family members to come together as well as a time for eating a well-balanced meal. Many families eat together daily, other must arrange for several nights a week.

■ Early evening — A set study time for homework establishes good study habits. Early evening is also the time for preparing for the next day by getting clothes ready, taking care of personal grooming, putting books and papers in order.

■ Bedtime — Lights out and ending the day on a pleasant note promotes sound sleep.

Adhering to a schedule establishes good organizational skills and teaches efficiency and achievement and the importance of flexibility and compromise.

Family members should recognize that the student's school day is equivalent to their work day and acknowledge its importance in family life.

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AROUND TOWN

Halloween Make-up Classes will be presented by Midland Community Theatre in two sessions. Reservations are now being taken. The first session, "Just for Boo!" will offer a quick basic course on Halloween makeup application. Cost is \$10. It will be offered 7-9 p.m. Oct. 14 and Oct. 16. Friends, who are newcomers to the theatre, will be admitted for half price at the Oct. 16 session. "For Ghouls & Droids," a course on advanced makeup technique will be offered noon to 4 p.m. Oct. 18. The fee is \$20. Tracy Alexander, MCT actress and volunteer coordinator, is instructor for all classes. Reservations may be made by calling 682-2544. Payments may be made in advance or at class time.

MYSTERY LOVERS Discussion Group, an organization for fans of "whodunits," will meet 7 p.m. Aug. 21 at Barnes and Noble Bookstore. Midland psychologist Charles Silverman will speak about psychological problems that lead to violence. For information call 520-8822.

MIRA BOOKS is sponsoring the "Evolving Woman" writing contest. The contest invites Texas women "who have shaken off the shackles of Mr. Wrong to share their stories of strength, transformation and triumph in 500 words or less." The most inspirational and compelling letter will be selected. The winner will receive a makeover at the Givenchy Hotel & Spa in Palm Springs, California.

The contest honors romance author Catherine Lanigan, who wrote "Romancing the Stone," and "Jewel of the Nile." Deadline to submit entries is Aug. 29. Send entries to The Evolving Woman Contest, Blanco & Peace Enterprises, LTD., 257 W. Chicago Ave., Suite 400, Chicago, Ill. 60610.

VISUAL AIDS Needs and Services will host an open house 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Aug. 20 at VAN, 2908 W. Ohio. All interested persons are invited to attend.

WEST TEXAS IRIS Society will have its annual Rhizome Sale Aug. 23, beginning 9 a.m. at Mannings Garden Center, 2820 W. Golf Course Rd. Proceeds will benefit the iris society.

WEST TEXAS JAZZ Society will host "Jazz on a Sunday Afternoon" 2-5 p.m. today at Jazz Restaurant, corner of Midland Drive and Neely St. Admission will be free. Featured performers will be Johnny Torbett with Dean Baker, Neal Goates, Robert Lacroix and Mark Lowe. For more information call 563-1701.

BOSOM BUDDIES breast cancer support group will meet 7 p.m. Aug. 19 at Allison Cancer Center. Claudene Kilgore of Paws Across Texas will present a program on pets and how they benefit health.

Man-to-Man cancer education program for men and their wives also will meet 7 p.m. Aug. 19 at the center. Mark Burkin, state governmental affairs representative for TAP Pharmaceuticals, will discuss political issues that affect cancer patients.

For more information about either program, call 685-6006.

INSURANCE WOMEN of Midland will sponsor a benefit pizza party 5:30 p.m. Aug. 21 at the new Mr. Gatti's on Wadley in Midland. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3.50 for children. Door prizes will be awarded at 8 p.m. Proceeds will benefit scholarship funds.

MIDLAND COUNTY Historical Society will host its annual Ice Cream Crank-Off 5-8 p.m. today at the Brown-Dorsey Medallion Home, 213 N. Weatherford St. Michael Stevens of Alpine, cowboy/guitarist, will perform. Tours of the Brown-Dorsey home will be conducted. Donations will be \$2 per bowl.

COMMUNITY BEREAVEMENT support group for anyone who has lost a loved one, no matter how long ago, will meet 7 p.m. Aug. 21 at Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas Ave. in Midland. For more information call 682-2855.

MIDLAND PORCELAIN Art Club will meet for salad luncheon 12 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 23 at 1008 North I St. All interested persons are invited to attend. Regular meetings will begin 9:30 a.m. Sept. 6 at Midland Woman's Club.

PERMIAN BASIN Bird Club will meet 7 p.m. Aug. 28 at Coors Clubhouse, 3909 SCR 1290 off Highway 69. For more information call 682-8411.

PERMIAN HIGH School's Class of 1973 is planning a 25-year reunion. For information call 366-5076 or 366-0161.

Pack lunch boxes with fast, easy snack bars

Associated Press

Need something fast and easy to pack in school lunches?

Packaged yellow cake mix speeds preparation time in the following recipe for Walnut-Date Snack Bars. The recipe won Teresa Larcina of San Mateo, Calif., a trip to the 37th Pillsbury Bake-Off Contest. The recipe features chewy dates and crunchy walnuts.

WALNUT-DATE SNACK BARS

1 package yellow cake mix
3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
3/4 cup margarine or butter, melted
2 eggs
2 cups chopped dates
2 cups chopped walnuts
Heat oven to 350 degrees. Generously grease 13x9-inch pan. In large bowl, combine cake mix and brown sugar; blend well. Add margarine and eggs; beat 2 minutes at medium speed. In medium bowl, combine dates and walnuts; mix well. Stir date

mixture into cake batter; blend well. (Batter will be stiff.) Spread evenly in greased pan. Bake in 350-degree oven for 35 to 45 minutes or until edges are golden brown. Cool 10 minutes. Run knife around sides of pan to loosen. Cool 1 hour or until completely cooled. Cut into bars. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 24 bars.

Nutrition facts per serving: 290 cal., 14 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 20 mg chol., 210 mg sodium, 37 g carb. Calories from fat: 130.

Recipe from The Pillsbury Co.

For an entry blank to the Pillsbury Quick and Easy Bake-Off, send your name and complete address to: Pillsbury Quick and Easy Bake-Off Entry Blanks, P.O. Box 9300, St. Cloud, Minn. 56398-9300, or call 1-(800)-477-1111 through Sept. 30. Entries for the Pillsbury Quick and Easy Bake-Off contest must be postmarked by Oct. 20 and received by Oct. 24.

The Bake-Off will be held Feb. 21-24, 1998, in Orlando, Fla.



Walnut-Date Snack Bars are quick and easy to prepare, using packaged cake mix. The snack bars take about 45 minutes to bake.

Cathy: 'The single woman's confidante' is getting married

By Mary McCarty

N.Y. Times News Service

For 20 years, she has been there, the single woman's confidante and champion.

And now, Dayton, Ohio-born Cathy Guisewite, of comic-strip Cathy fame, is getting married at 46.

Will Cathy, a cartoon character uniquely linked with her creator, lose her edge? Will single women lose one of their most ardent advocates?

Not a chance, says Guisewite, who now makes her home in Studio City, Calif., a Los Angeles suburb.

CATHY MAY be getting married, but Cathy is staying single. Cathy's life and struggles will remain the same, much as they did after Guisewite adopted daughter Ivy five years ago.

"I won't abandon single women," Guisewite vowed after last week's announcement of her engagement to Hollywood screenwriter Christopher Wilkinson, 47. "I did my time."

She spent very little of that time pining for a man. "I really didn't date that much. I am a person who has loved being single and liked being on my own." She refused to go on blind dates because "I got so tired of people introducing me to men and thinking we'll get along just because we're both single."

Guisewite's friends disguised their intentions when they tried to set her up with Wilkinson at a dinner party a year ago.

"We met at a dinner party given by the parents of one of the children at Ivy's play group. They knew Chris, and it was sort of a fix-up, but they knew me well enough to know not to tell me that."

Before long the "L" word crept into the relationship. And what's not to love? Wilkinson is the "anti-Irving" — the opposite of the insensitive lug Cathy unloaded a few years back.

"He's funny, smart, romantic, thoughtful, loves children, likes to talk about things, and has great respect for my work," Guisewite says. They're both creative; Wilkinson's credits include the screenplay for Nixon. They're both homebodies who need restoring doses of solitude.

Another tremendous plus: having a partner to share Ivy's milestones and daily adventures. "Chris is wildly excited about being a new father," Guisewite says. "He's as thrilled at being her dad as to be getting me out of the deal."

"When you're a single parent, there isn't anybody who really knows and loves your child as much as you do. There was nobody who cared as much as I did when she got that first spoonful of food into her mouth."

Early on, Guisewite warned Wilkinson, "My career depends on my being around a dysfunctional relationship, so I don't know how it will go for you."

BUT TRUE LOVE prevailed, and Guisewite forced Wilkinson to propose the old-fashioned way. "I said yes, but he had to get my dad's permission first."

So her suitor got on the phone with "Dad," who is, of course, William Guisewite, former Kettering resident and retired area advertising executive. Guisewite and his wife, Anne, live in Sarasota, Fla.

Within seconds, her father's shrieks of joy could be heard over the other line.

Guisewite got on the phone and chided, "Dad, you wimp, you didn't even grill him!"

Afterward, "I realized the mother didn't even get a vote," Guisewite says. "Too late — Dad and I already decided."

Not to worry. Mom was "ecstatic," and both parents love Wilkinson. "Mom fully expected me to be

single for the rest of my life. Mom and Dad have been married 51 years, and she knows how a good marriage can enrich your life. She worries about me, you know."

Her parents' marriage gave Guisewite respect for the institution but also "made me pickier," she says. Wilkinson came along at the right time, "when I was ready to consider a real relationship," Guisewite says.

"Creating a career, and enjoying a career, have been so much easier than creating a relationship. Having a daughter has really changed my perspective on marriage. Ivy has made me: 'up working all the time. She has taught me the concept of family and what a nice part of life that is.' With Ivy in tow, the couple celebrated their engagement over an elegant dinner at Chuck E. Cheese's."

The couple is planning a small private wedding in November. Guisewite promises she won't forget what it's like to be single, to be consigned to the "miscellaneous person seat" at every dinner party. "I really don't want Cathy to desert all those women, in the same way I've felt deserted by single women when they marry or have children. It's as if they join another group."

She'll continue to write strips about workplace struggles and "coping with men," only now she'll have a real-life model. "Rather than my imagining what men would do, I'll actually be living with one."

GUISEWITE'S KEEN take on gender differences — and her unflagging humor over relationship woes — are evident in her new cookbook, *Girl Food*.

"Men have a much more one-dimensional relationship with food," she observes. "For women, it's a complicated, full-life relationship. We eat when we're happy, annoyed, triumphant."

She has divided the book into sections for every occasion: romance food; sweatshirt food; swimsuit food; grown-up food; and consolation food (I-really-really-deserve-a-raise-buttermilk donuts and who-needs-him-anyway mashed potatoes).

Who needs him, anyway? Guisewite has never believed that women need marriage to fulfill their lives. Instead of feeling abandoned, readers should feel encouraged by her engagement. "The good men are still out there," she says. "It's still possible to meet someone and begin a wonderful relationship."

Cathy fans don't seem to expect Guisewite to remain a symbol of the single, independent woman. She's already receiving cards congratulating her on her engagement. "I'm so lucky to have this job — you make that personal connection with people," she says.

Despite the new connection in her life, she'll take care not to break old one.

"I've been single for 46 years," Guisewite says, "so I feel very strongly that voice needs to continue for women."

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No matter how humble, there's no place like dorm

By Marianne Rohrich

N.Y. Times News Service

"Available. Room to share, late August through May. Two beds (extra-long twin size), two desks, window shades provided. Linoleum floors. Storage space minimal, bath down the hall. Perfect for student."

The accommodations that colleges offer may be Spartan, but the approximately 1.5 million undergraduates who live on campuses (according to the American Council on Education in Washington) share a common task: domesticating their dormitory rooms.

For students, moving into a dorm is a rite of passage. For some, like Caroline Appel, the dorm is across the street from home. But Ms. Appel, an incoming student at Barnard College in upper Manhattan, is choosing campus housing as a step toward independence.

And for those moving from afar to an urban center, where rents can be high and security an issue, dorm living is a practical option. At Barnard, it costs \$5,386 for the school year for a shared room, with telephone, utilities and security.

A BIG PART of moving into a dorm is making it personal. Dorothy Denberg, the dean of Barnard, says that those who adjust best to dorm life make their rooms pleasant places "to come HOME to at the end of the day."

Like all residential colleges, Barnard sends incoming students a list of things to bring (from rugs to clothes hangers) and to leave at home (like halogen lamps, candles and incense, all banned for safety reasons).

Electric popcorn makers and coffeepots seem to be de rigueur for long nights of studying. Older students pass along tips, like using one-cup disposable coffee filters (washing a coffeepot in a bathroom is not one of college's high points). Some schools rent Microfridges, combination microwave ovens, refrigerators and freezers made by Intirion Corp. of Walpole, Mass., and not sold retail.

On move-in day, many campuses become bazaars: vendors set up shop in trucks laden with carpets, plants, futons and other wares. Home Depot, for instance, sends mobile mini-stores to 30

schools in the Northeast, including Adelphi University, the State University of New York at Albany, the University of Bridgeport and Yale University.

The near-universal size of a dorm-room bed is extra-long twin — 80 inches long. Until recently it was hard to find interesting sheets in this size. This year, though, stores are carrying a wider variety.

WHEN SHOPPING for the room, young men and women do seem different, if the Richman family of Nissequogue, N.Y., is typical. Dan Richman, a Columbia University senior, recalls moving into his first room with a computer, an alarm clock and T-shirts. He is on the crew team, and since practice is early, the clock is his most important possession. (His roommate has always supplied the CD player.)

When Dan's older sister, Allyson, entered Wellesley College, she went laden with stuff. Her family borrowed a van and spent the day lugging equipment and clothing. She also took along the popular soft backrest with arms. Affectionately called a "husband" on campuses, it converts a bed into a sofa or a floor into an armchair.

Taryn Baff, who graduated from Lehigh University in June, warns against taking along too much. "I did, and I was miserable from all the stuff," she said. "You can always buy more." She added quickly, "But, oh my God, always bring a shower caddy!"

Puneet (Ruby) Kesar of Richmond Hill, Queens, New York City, an incoming student at Barnard, got a head start on dorm life in a six-week summer program.

"Now I really know what I need," she said. "I realized the first night when I went to take a shower I had forgotten to bring slippers. The second thing I forgot was a laundry basket and an iron. You're used to Mom doing the laundry, and it's so embarrassing to go to class in wrinkly clothes."

This year at Barnard, Hewitt Hall is the best address: its bathrooms are being renovated with stainless-steel fixtures and peach and terra-cotta tiles. They will be the "bathrooms of my dreams," Dean Denberg said, adding, "Delivering a kid to the old bathrooms would have made a mother cry."

Chain, chain, chain: Newest craze

By Shirley Jenkins

N.Y. Times News Service

What is the fashionable backpack, lunch kit and pencil case wearing back to school this fall? Key chains, probably "sans" keys, and most likely more than one.

The novelty key chain market, once restricted to a miniature sneaker- or fish-shaped flashlight at the convenience store, has grown into a craze with elementary and junior high school students. New, student-oriented key chains mimic classic toys (Colorforms, Etch-A-Sketch and Barbie) and pop-culture images.

Time magazine pointed out that trendy students are the people least likely to need a key chain for the practical purpose of carrying keys. Yet, let's face it, key chains provide a portable, socially and academically acceptable toy complete with sometimes high-tech action.

A recent key chain shopping trip yielded chains ornamented with a small frog clicker, a tiny kaleidoscope, classic Ken and Barbie as a set and, unfortunately, some real rabbit's feet, incongruously made into cute furry kitties with eyes.

Krystle Kirsch of Worley Middle School in Mansfield just returned from a tour of New York and Canada and saw key chains all over. "There's tons of different ones," she said, adding that the best places to find them are at the mall: gift stores, candy stores and other specialty shops.

"A lot of girls are into the miniature Beanie Baby type," she said.

Among the favorite ornaments are spongy figures that float. "At our school, a lot of people put them on backpacks and binders," Kirsch said. "A few people use them if they've got keys."

It's mainly a girl thing, Kirsch said. She owns 15 to 20 key chains but doesn't carry them all at once. "I carry them on all kinds of things, though," she said. "Like on our trip, I put them on my luggage."

Much of the appeal of the key-chain fad has to do with miniaturization: the love of teeny copies of larger toys. And, of course, the virtual-pet craze has been good for all key chains. A Tamagotchi digital pet still sells for about \$15; the cheaper Giga Pets run around \$9.95. The new Pocket Puppy virtual pet from Cooltek eliminates the element of death and adds a second sound chip for barking, yelping and whining. It's due on the market about Sept. 1.

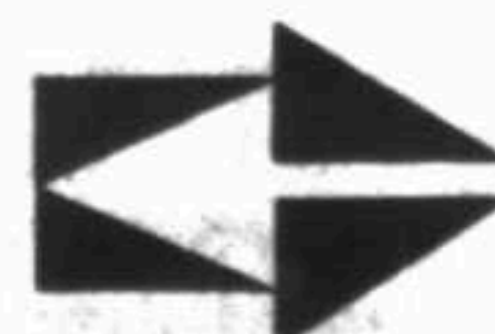
One company, Basic Fun, has a full line of specialty key chains for kids, all officially licensed. Its motto: "We put the world's greatest toys in the palm of your hand."



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ENGAGEMENTS

HERRINGTON-TAPP

Amy Michelle Herrington of Odessa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud McCurdy and Vergil Herrington of Midland, and Timothy Michael Tapp of Odessa, son of Ann Hagstrom and Gary Tapp of Lubbock, are planning to be married 4 p.m. Aug. 31 at Highland Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Miss Herrington is a graduate of Greenwood High School. She is employed with Sierra Engineering. Her fiancé, a graduate of Monterey High School in Lubbock, is employed with Discount Tire.



Amy Michelle Herrington and Timothy Michael Tapp

ESCUE-VON HOFFMANN

Kimberly Escue and David Von Hoffmann, both of Dallas, are planning an Oct. 18 wedding at City Place in Dallas. The bride-elect is the daughter of Paul and Laurie Reed of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Al and Jean Von Hoffmann of Garland.

Miss Escue is a graduate of Lee High School and the University of North Texas. Her fiancé graduated from North Garland High School and UNT. He is employed with Prestonwood Country Club.



Kimberly Escue and David Von Hoffmann

JACKSON-JEFFERSON

Mary Jackson of Midland will become the bride of Billy Jefferson, also of Midland, 7 p.m. Aug. 30 at Mount Rose Baptist Church in Midland.



Mary Jackson and Billy Jefferson

Father of bride is more than just Mr. Checkbook

By Carol Cott Gross
N.Y. Times News Service

Ask Howard Johnson about his role at his daughter Jackie's wedding a few summers back, and Johnson smiles at the memory of her ceremony at a Baptist church in Northport, N.Y.

"The father of the bride has four rules to remember," he says. "Shape up! Shut up! Show up! Pay up!"

Johnson, owner of Johnson Farms — he grew the prize New Guinea impatiens for the centerpieces at the reception — didn't write the rules. He says they were handed down.

"Fathers of the bride always joke about costs," says Gayle Labenow, a wedding consultant in Babylon, N.Y. "But they're not just walking checkbooks. Ideally, the women do the research, then the father of the bride can be the reality check to balance fairy-tale wedding fantasies with down-to-earth practicality."

The long-running Broadway play, "Defending the Caveman," characterizes men as hunters and women as gatherers. Labenow says these are compatible, not conflicting styles. The bride and her mom usually enjoy gathering information about invitations, caterers, florists, attire, etc. When the field is narrowed, in comes the Big Hunter, the father of the bride, to make the cut.

"It's not PC, but I think fathers are better wedding decision-makers than wives and daughters," Labenow says.

Experts allow that a first time FOB often feels like the Steve Martin character in the comic film, "Father of the Bride." The dizzy dad is overwhelmed by costs and underwhelmed by his daughter's engagement.

Giavanna Caggiano, a New York psychologist, says that, initially, the father does feel left out and threatened by his daughter's wedding and his wife's wholehearted involvement in the plans. Caggiano's advice: "Don't worry! It's temporary."

"Being left out, at least in the beginning, is not always a bad thing," says Mel Rabinowitz, a dad who's been there and done that. "I was a hands-on father of the bride. But my wife Myrna and daughter Julia made it easy by doing leg work and then calling me in."

Caroline Danziger of the Bronx, N.Y., laughs and says, "My father

was very involved in the wedding plans, sometimes too involved."

She says that a bride and her mother may disagree about fine points, and the father of the bride can be peacemaker and placater.

Caggiano advises FOBs to proceed with caution here. The father should determine if the women are having a spirited discussion or an actual argument.

"Women use each other as sounding boards," Caggiano says. Men often misunderstand, and interfere. The bad news is the FOB can become the object of both women's ire. The good news, Caggiano says, is that mother and daughter bond while discussing and debating.

Like the course of true love, wedding plans don't always run smoothly. But no matter how rocky the road, at the actual event, the proud papa always plays a memorable role.

Caroline Danziger's voice cracks with emotion recalling how her father intoned the traditional Hebrew blessing over her before the ceremony, and danced with her afterwards to Sweet Caroline at the reception in Jericho.

And then there's the recent father of the bride who toasted the health and happiness of the bridal pair, and beamed with pride about marrying off his last daughter.

He concluded by speaking for his wife and himself, when he invoked the sentiments of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whom he paraphrased by saying, "Free at last, free at last, thank God Almighty, we're free at last!"

And this last word of advice from an expert:

Giavanna Caggiano, an adjunct professor of psychology at St. Johns University in Queens, N.Y., suggests that when the bridal pair are honeymooning, the FOB should take the MOB on a second honeymoon to unwind and bond all over again.



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ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversary couple honored

Patrick and Martha McNair of Midland will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception today at First United Methodist Church. Hosts will be their children and grandchildren.

McNair and the former Martha Jo Guthrie were married Aug. 20, 1947, at First Baptist Church in Andrews.

They have two children — M. Kelly McNair of Midland and Julia McNair Chatwell of Sweetwater — and four grandchildren.

The couple lived in Andrews (1947-64), Midland (1964-78), and Odessa (1978-81) before moving back to Midland.

McNair owned businesses in Andrews, Odessa and Midland, and retired in 1981. They are members of First United Methodist



Patrick and Martha McNair

Church, where they are active in the Fellowship Class.

Reception honors anniversary couple

L.O. "Cotton" and Donna Mae Pulliam of Midland were guests of honor at a home reception Aug. 16 in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. Hosts were their children.

Pulliam and the former Donna Mae Villines were married Aug. 19, 1947, in Seminole, Okla. They have two children — Monty Pulliam of Midland and Diane Velasquez of Yukon, Okla. — as well as four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The couple has lived in Midland since 1982. Pulliam worked in the oil industry, and his wife is a homemaker.



L.O. and Donna Mae Pulliam

Former Midlanders mark 50 years

BRECKENRIDGE — Former Midlanders Troyce and Billie Perry of Breckenridge celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 14. Perry and the former Billie Townsend were married Aug. 14, 1947, in Abilene. They have one son, Steve Perry of Midland.

The couple lived in Merkel, Pasadena and Midland before moving to Breckenridge. Perry worked for Shell from 1948-63; for the post office from 1966-78, and in the carpet cleaning business from 1978-88. They are members of Crestview Baptist Church in Midland and First Baptist Church in Breckenridge.

'Decaffeinated' coffee is not always what's served

By Marian Burros
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — The clock beside the bed says 3:07 a.m. It has been three hours since your head hit the pillow, and your eyes have been wide open ever since.

Dinner was splendid; the lemon meringue tart and coffee provided the perfect end to a wonderful evening. So, why are you still awake? Your stomach is not upset. You have no particular worries beyond the usual. You had ordered decaffeinated coffee.

Ah, but is that what you got? A sampling of 17 restaurants and one coffee bar by members of the staff of The New York Times' The Living Section in May and June indicates that your chances of getting true decaffeinated coffee when you ask for it are about one out of three.

And the amount of caffeine in what was called decaffeinated coffee varied widely, even though the federal government says that decaffeinated coffee must have 97 percent of its caffeine removed.

Those who order decaffeinated coffee may have reason to be suspicious. A 5-ounce cup of regular coffee has 60 to 180 milligrams of caffeine, according to the National Coffee Association, a trade group representing retailers, roasters, importers and exporters in the United States. The Food and Drug Administration says that 5 ounces of decaffeinated coffee has 2 to 5 milligrams of caffeine.

Certified Analytical Laboratories of Plainville, N.Y., analyzed the 18 samples of decaffeinated coffee and found a range of 2.3 milligrams of caffeine to 114 milligrams. Those on the high end were obviously not decaffeinated; those on the low end were.

But there were several puzzling findings in the range of 5.4 to 20.4 milligrams — a level of caffeine not low enough for the coffee to be considered decaffeinated but well below that of regular coffee.

The amount of caffeine in a cup of coffee depends on a number of factors, including the variety of coffees used in the blend, the strength of the brew, the brewing time and the temperature of the brew.

Robert Nelson, the president of the coffee association, says there are several reasons that customers get full-caffeine coffee

when they have ordered decaffeinated. Usually, he said, it is a simple error: the server picked up the wrong pot or combined the remains of a pot of decaffeinated coffee with a pot of regular coffee. Or there were grounds of regular coffee left in the grinder when the decaffeinated beans were put in.

The manager at Il Valentino, in the Sutton Hotel, where five ounces of decaffeinated coffee had 92.3 milligrams of caffeine, said the busboy who served it was to blame.

At Aja, where the decaffeinated coffee had 114 milligrams of caffeine, there seemed to be an initial reluctance to talk about the coffee. It took three telephone calls before Charles Ceiden, a floor manager, came to the phone and said he did not see how such a mistake is possible. "We do have decaf pots marked very clearly with a big orange handle and orange lip."

For those who are sensitive to caffeine, no excuse is acceptable, because coffee jitters can produce anxiety, insomnia, gastrointestinal disturbances, even shaking. Whether caffeine is dangerous for pregnant women and whether it contributes to decreased bone density and osteoporosis are issues still being debated in the scientific community. But no one denies that for some, caffeine is an addictive drug, though hardly in the same category as cocaine.

Among regular coffee drinkers, Nelson said, the number of cups consumed per person per day is about the same today — 1.6 cups — as it was in 1990 — 1.7 cups. And sales of decaffeinated coffee have fallen off, to 9 percent, from a high of 18 percent in 1987.

But for those who are sensitive to caffeine, whatever measures seem appropriate to assure that the coffee is decaffeinated — short of mayhem — are not out of order.

Couple takes cruise to Alaska

In celebration of their golden wedding anniversary, R.A. and Jane Sadler of Midland took a week-long Alaska cruise.

Sadler and the former Jane Walker were married Aug. 15, 1947, in Freer. They have two children, Karan Young of Midland and Robert Sadler of Odessa.

The couple lived in Snyder, Robert Lee, Big Spring and Hobbs, N.M., before moving to Midland in 1992, after Sadler retired from the State of New Mexico. He also was employed with Sun Oil Company. His wife was employed with various school and hospital districts.

They are members of St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Midland, United Methodist Women



R.A. and Jane Sadler and United Methodist Men, and Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Robinetts reaffirm wedding vows

JONESBORO — Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Robinett of Midland celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a reaffirmation of their wedding vows and a reception Aug. 16 at Jonesboro Baptist Church. Hosts were their children and grandchildren.

Robinetts and the former Mary Katherine Jones were married Aug. 16, 1947, at Jonesboro Baptist Church.

They are the parents of four children — Don Robinett of Midland, Sue Pullington of Beeville, Kathy Pursley of Andrews and the late Randy Robinett. They also have nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren (with the sixth expected).

They moved to Odessa from Waco in 1958, and to Midland in 1960. Robinett retired from John L. Cox in 1994. His wife worked in food service and was one of the first employees hired by Dairy Queen when it opened in Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Robinett. Later she became a full-time homemaker.

LIFESTYLE POLICIES

The Reporter-Telegram publishes engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements free of charge.

Deadline to get an announcement in the Sunday paper — including wedding and engagement announcements — is 5 p.m. the preceding Monday. For publication in a weekday paper, information should be received two days before it is to be published.

There is no limit as to how early in advance of the wedding an engagement can be announced. However, engagements are accepted to appear in the paper no later than two weeks before the wedding date.

Wedding announcements are accepted up to six weeks of the event. Anniversary announcements — 25th or higher — are also accepted up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

Announcements of pageant winners are published for teen-age and adult winners only. Photographs are published of winners, not runners-up or contestants. These announcements will be published on a space-available basis.

Forms for weddings, engagements and anniversaries are available in the Lifestyle office. All materials should include the signature and telephone number of the person submitting them.

Photographs may be submitted with wedding and engagement announcements, and with anniversary announcements of 50 years or more, but are not required.

A portrait of the bride-elect or of the future bride and bridegroom together may be submitted with engagement announcements. Portrait photographs of the bride only or photos of the wedding couple may be submitted with wedding announcements.

A different photo must be submitted for engagement and wedding announcements. Anniversary photos should be current.

Vertical photos are preferred. Both black and white, and color studio quality portraits are acceptable from wallet size up to 8x10. Polaroid shots are not accepted.

Photos can be picked up in the Lifestyle Department after publication, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope can be enclosed for the photo to be returned by mail.

Designer wears two wedding gowns

N.Y. Times News Service

Betsey Johnson, the fashion designer, has never been known for being conventional, so it should come as no surprise that her wedding celebration was adventurous. She recently married Brian Reynolds, a computer systems designer, in Yorkshire, in northern England near Reynolds' birthplace of Bradford. She said the ceremony was "in a tiny old chapel 1,000 feet above sea level, amid hills and dales and moors close to the Bronte home."

Though Reynolds originally did not want so much as a reception, there was a three-day marathon of activities for 150 guests, including trips to a brewery, rides on a steam engine, and a rock-and-roll barn dance.

Ms. Johnson wore two wedding dresses. To walk down the aisle, escorted by her 22-year-old daughter, Lulu, who gave her away, she wore an organza dress, with tiers and a train, that she found at a shop in California.

Then she changed into her own design, an embroidered slip dress. "That's so I can be two kinds of bride," she said, "one in big bouffant skirt, one in minimalist slip."

Both Reynolds, 51, and Ms. Johnson, who also celebrated her 55th birthday and the 19th anniversary of her company, have been married before. "But I consider this the first time," she said. "Now I'm grown up, and this is forever."



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WEDDINGS

WELBORN-McGUIRE

KEYSTONE, Colo. — Carole Elizabeth Welborn of Denver became the bride of Robert Shannon McGuire, also of Denver, 5:30 p.m. July 19 at Keystone Ranch. The Rev. Gail Boex officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lozier Welborn of Flower Mound, Texas, and the granddaughter of Allyn Barnette Wells of Quanah, Texas, and the late Hyson Garland Wells and Florence Lozier Welborn of Odessa, Texas, and the late Marion C. Welborn. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Allen Grover McGuire Jr. of Midland, Texas. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Denver Delton Marcum of Midland and Lt. Col. (retired) and Mrs. Allen Grover McGuire of Clovis, N.M.

Elizabeth Gilmore Cochran of Dallas was matron of honor. Cynthia Elizabeth Bland of Irving, Texas, was bridesmaid and Lauren Chapman Jordan of Arlington, Texas, was bridesmatron.

Greg Michael Crowe of Midland served as best man. Groomsmen were David Joseph Schmidt of Dallas and John Thomas Blackburn of Lubbock, Texas. Ushers



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shannon McGuire

were Gregory Scott Welborn of Dallas and Stephen Bruce Welborn of Anchorage, Alaska, brothers of the bride, and Richard Charles Batz Jr. of El Paso, Texas.

Following a honeymoon to San Francisco and the wine country, the couple lives in Austin, Texas.

PERSONS-HIBBITTS

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Columbia was the setting for the 6 p.m. Aug. 16 wedding of Mary Ashley Persons and Dr. John McCartney Hibbitts, both of Columbia. The Rev. Susan Blackburn Heath officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Edward Persons of Columbia. The bridegroom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. William McCartney Hibbitts of Midland, Texas.

Allison Rinker St. John of Germantown, Md., was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Susanah Fogle of Boston; Kasie Hirschy of Columbia; Melanie Montgomery of Danville, Ky.; and Amanda Persons of Columbia, sister of the bride. Bridesmatrons were Mitzi Kicklighter Snipes of Camden and Edna Hibbitts Wright of Columbus, Ohio, sister of the bridegroom.

Dr. Sean Kevin Roden of Midland served as best man. Groomsmen were Michael Biles of Austin, Texas; Dr. Scott Davidson of New York City; Porter Hibbitts of Yardley, Pa., brother of the bridegroom; Thomas Persons Jr. of Columbia, brother of the bride;



Mrs. John McCartney Hibbitts

Oliver Perry Newberry III of Fort Worth, Texas; and Andrew Wise of Columbia. Ushers were Tad Hillin of Austin, Andrew Williams of Houston, Harry Wright IV of Columbus and Robert Keith Hillin of Charlotte, N.C.

Following a wedding trip to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, the couple will live in Columbia.

MEDRANO-BORRERO

St. Stephen's Catholic Church was the setting for the 2 p.m. July 26 wedding of Sylvia Moran Medrano of Garden City and Pete M. Borrego III of Midland. The Rev. James P. Bridges officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Baldemar Medrano of Garden City. Her grandmother is Elidia Medrano. The bridegroom is the son of Eloisa Morales of Midland and the grandson of Lovia Morales.

Connie Covarrubias of Midland was matron of honor. Maid of honor was Marie Torres of George West, niece of the bride. Erica Zapata of Beeville and Nellie Garcia of Midland were bridesmaids. Bridesmatrons were Angela Rodriguez of Big Spring and Rocio Garza and Mary Esquivel of Midland. Ashley Martinez of Midland was flower girl.

Sam Covarrubias and Alfonso Morales of Midland were best men. Groomsmen were Mark Sanchez, Ron Peraza, Greg Damon, Mike Garza and Emilio Esquivel of Midland. Ushers were Eric Medrano of Midland, Juan



Mrs. Pete M. Borrego III

Salazar of St. Lawrence and Mike Talamantes of Garden City. Malcolm Anders of Midland was ring bearer.

After a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev., and San Antonio, the couple lives in Midland.

GRUSZCZKA-SWIFT

BROKEN ARROW, Okla. — The Tarp Chapel and Gardens in Broken Arrow was the setting for the 6 p.m. July 27 wedding of Heidi Lynn Gruszczka and Casey Don Swift. The Rev. Mike Benson of Harvest Time Assembly of God in Midland, Texas, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Gruszczka of Elk City. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Don Swift of Midland.

The bride is a 1988 graduate of Elk City High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in human environmental sciences from Oklahoma State University. She is a project manager with Scott Rice Co. in Tulsa.

Her husband graduated from Hobbs (N.M.) High School in 1989 and earned a bachelor's degree in science from Texas Tech University. He is completing his final year at Northeastern State University College of Optometry in



Mr. and Mrs. Casey Don Swift

Tahlequah. After a honeymoon, the couple lives in Tulsa.

LASTIMOSA-GIBSON

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church was the setting for the 11 a.m. Aug. 2 wedding of Raceli E. Lastimosa and Bradley Gibson, both of Midland. The Rev. Tom Kelly officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Feliciano Lastimosa of Cebu City, the Philippines. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gibson of Lenora.

Alicia Geler of Odessa was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Eillane Limpangug of Odessa, Judith Heronema of Reydon, Okla., and Alison Cooper of Tarzan. Ashley Salazar of Midland was flower girl.

Best man was Frank Ramirez of Midland. Groomsmen were Brian Gibson of Pecos, and brothers of the bridegroom Gregory Gibson of Lenora and Aaron Gibson of Midland. Tracy Britten, Homer Lopez and Leandro Gonzalez Jr. were ushers. Arthur Salazar of Midland was ring bearer.



Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Gibson

The couple plans a cruise to Mexico in December. They live in Midland.

HORTON-VICK

FORT WORTH — Kelly Anne Horton of Fort Worth became the bride of Jarrett Walter Vick of Arlington 7 p.m. Aug. 16 at All Saints Episcopal Church in Fort Worth. The Rev. Robert Bosworth officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Jay B. Horton of Midland. The bridegroom is the son of Jo Albright Vick of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vick of Alpine.

Natalie Bywaters of Dallas was maid of honor. Dr. Bohn Young of Tampa, Fla., was best man. Ring bearer was Kyle Jantzen of Fort Worth.

Following a wedding trip in Ixtapa, Mexico, the couple will live in Fort Worth.

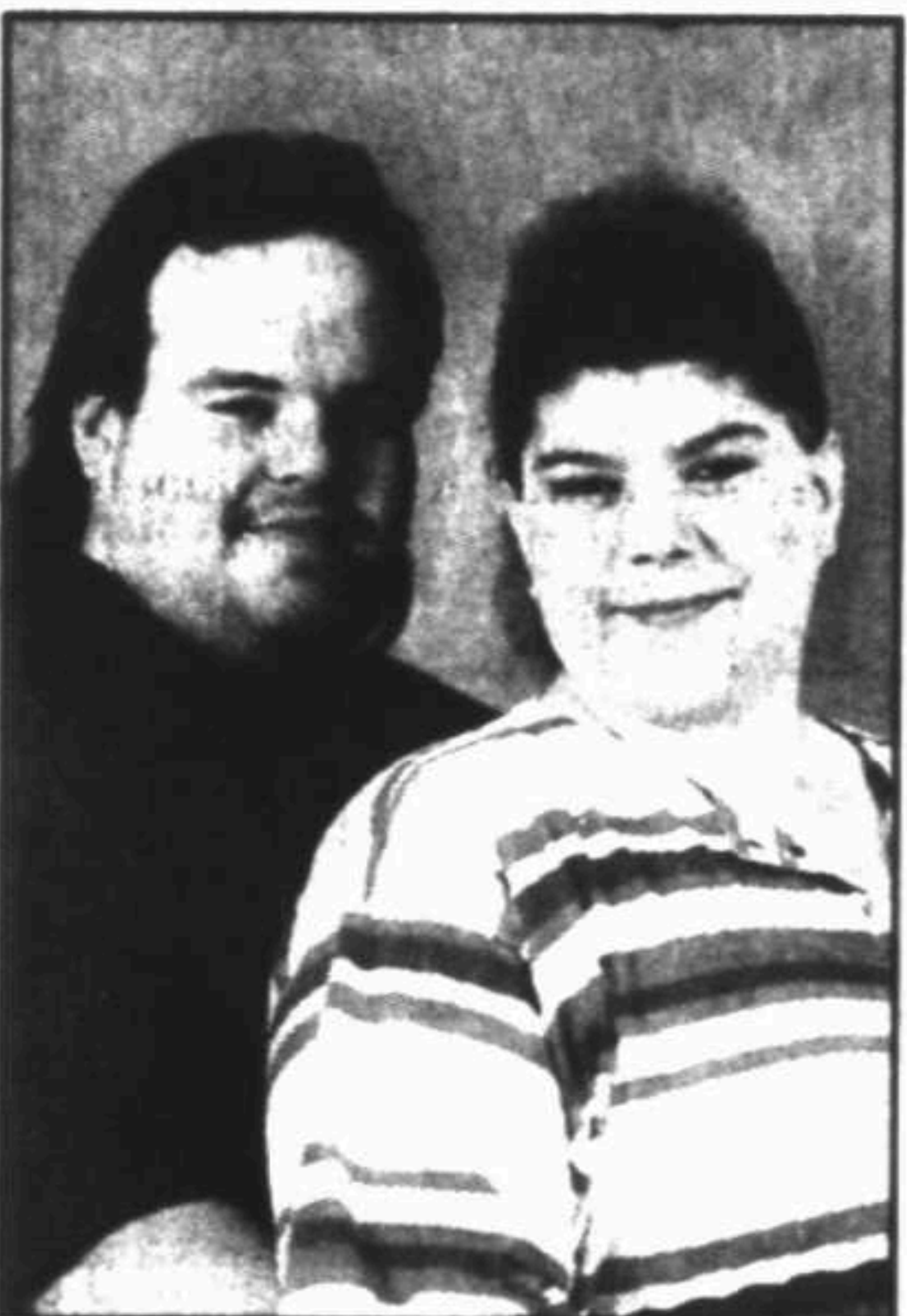


Mrs. Jarrett Walter Vick

McFARLIN-WILSON

Tonya Marie McFarlin of Midland became the bride of Jerry Don Wilson, also of Midland, 2 p.m. Aug. 4.

The bride is the daughter of Mary McFarlin of Midland. Mother of the bridegroom is Peggy J. Wilson of Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Don Wilson

Old, never-fail washing machine is 'all washed up'

By Vicki Marsh Kabet
N.Y. Times News Service

There are a few things in life for which I am totally unprepared. A flat tire. A baby's first smile. Not having my washing machine.

I miss my washing machine. Boy, with three boys, do I miss it. As dirty shorts, underwear, socks and towels multiply beneath my feet, I keep lifting its lid to silently beseech, "Why? Why now?"

It's only been 17 years since we bought our shiny new model. We were expecting our first child and, a year and a half into our marriage, thought it might be time to give up the weekly trip to the laundromat.

We bought the washing machine first. We couldn't afford a dryer, too. I have pictures of me, hugely pregnant, hanging tiny baby shirts and socks on a line strung across the patio of our townhouse, preparing for our baby.

I used to love hanging clothes out on a line. I did it countless times on the farm where I grew up. We had a dryer, but didn't use it unless the weather was bad. Instead, we'd haul the baskets of wet clothes up the basement stairs and out into the side yard.

We took an old rag, wet it, and wiped down the line to clean it, and then, moving the clothespin bag ahead of us, snapped out the articles of clothing and pinned them in place. Soon I'd be enveloped in billowing wet clothes as they swayed in the breeze.

It was even better later, when I'd go out to take the clothes down. Now the old, faded work shirts and hankies were filled with the scent of the sun and fresh air. I'd bury

my face in them, soaking up their scent and their warmth.

When my husband and I finally did go to buy the dryer, I had to admit I knew basically nothing about major appliances. I remember asking the salesman in an authoritative manner if they had a top-loading model. I don't envy appliance salesmen.

The dryer is still spinning, all these years later. The washing machine isn't. At first we tried to have it repaired. The report was grim: After all those loads of diapers and rompers, shorts and underwear, soccer socks and towels, the motor was burning up, the timer was off, the pump wasn't pumping correctly and the tub was rusted. It was time to get a new machine.

I immediately steered away from the push-button models. I can't trust a washing machine that doesn't have knobs you can turn. Why do you need eight cycles and two rinses? What in the world is a "hang-dry" speed? We settled for the Heavy Duty, Super Capacity Plus model, guaranteed to handle 20 pair of jeans and three pairs of sneakers simultaneously, making no more noise than the lazy hum of a bumblebee on a summer afternoon. Uh-huh.

"This is a good machine," the salesperson assured me. "You'll get a lot of use out of it."

With three boys, I knew that. What I don't know is whether it will stand the test of time. Somehow, I don't trust it. Twenty years from now, I'll let you know.

Father of bride remembers his baby

By Gary Nelson
N.Y. Times News Service

The bride wore nothing at all at first, lying as she did on a table in the delivery room, gazing about with the biggest blue eyes her father had ever seen. . . eyes full of amazed curiosity, eyes that said she was eager to begin this thing called life.

The mother of the bride floated on clouds of loveliness in a satiny off-white creation that was slightly evocative of her own wedding dress, the one that had dazzled her new husband 22 summers before.

Home from the hospital, the bride wore cloth diapers that were frequently pinned to place by her clumsy father. She also wore an occasional pinprick as a result.

The groom wore a classic black tuxedo with tails. The bride's father wished he could have looked that dashing on his own wedding day, but that had been in the 1970s, when men looked more preposterous than dashing.

Before long the bride had her hair in a long braid that poked out through the hole in the back of her baseball cap. The braid flopped wildly as the bride, 8 years old or so, fielded grounders and ran the bases with joyous abandon during a picnic softball game.

The father of the bride wore a black tuxedo, too, and while observers said he looked somewhat better than normal, the outfit failed to disguise the fact that pushing 50 is about all the exercise he gets these days.

The bridesmaids wore sleeveless black-and-white dresses, straight off the store rack, that were not designed specifically to be bridesmaids' dresses. They did not buy so-called bridesmaids' dresses from a bridal shop because, well, most of those dresses are rather goofy.

As time went by the bride wore T-shirts and shorts, but no shoes, in the sand-filled volleyball pits where, in junior high, she earned the nickname "Hammer" because of her wicked serves.

The four groomsmen, also in tuxes, were a stunning, understated complement to their feminine counterparts.

Eventually the bride wore a cap and gown, adorned with an honors cord, not knowing that in just a year her future husband would ask her father's permission to undertake courtship.

The guests wore everything from their finest outfits all the way to blue jeans and T-shirts. After all, it's the '90s.

And finally, the bride wore a dreamy white dress her father could not describe, at least not the way a fashion writer could; she wore her hair up, in a style you might see depicted on a Grecian urn; she wore a smile that made those blue eyes more lustrous than ever.

There was a moment just as the wedding was to begin when the music would not come out of the amplifier. The bride's mother, already seated, began to melt from anxiety. Her father, on the verge of panic, almost signaled for the wedding to start without the music. At the last second the right switch was found and the wedding march began.

The bride, standing nervously by herself behind the rest of the wedding party, motioned for her relieved father to come stand by her. He offered his right arm and she took it, and momentarily they were walking down the aisle.

Nothing he had done in all the months before — not the mental rehearsals, not the repeated watching of Steve Martin's "Father of the Bride," not the self-inflicted lectures about not falling apart — had prepared her father for this moment. Each step brought a maelstrom of emotion, but the emotion defied definition. It was not joy, for this was a goodbye. It was not sadness, for this was a day of joy. This was what she wanted, and therefore it was what he wanted, but even so it hurt in a way he had never thought possible.

Journey ended, he kissed her twice and left her with the other man she loves. She had picked out some special music for the reception, and after she danced with her husband — how strange it seems to say that! — she danced with her father.

To the tune of a weepy country song called "Daddy's Little Girl" they held each other tight and talked, and they sort of shuffled around the floor in his clumsy way, and in the end she had one more thing to wear — his tears.

He called her Sunshine, and the name fit. Her hair was a riot of gold, her face a sea of unspoiled beauty, her inclinations loving and charitable. In the last few weeks before the wedding he waited up every night past his bedtime for her to come home from work, just so he could see her even if only for a moment, for he knew his allotment of those moments was fast running out.

On her wedding night the moon was as full and bright as it had ever been, a shimmering gem in the perfect desert sky.

The next morning was cloudy, a rarity for this place and season. It fit. It was entirely appropriate for there to be clouds that day, because when he looked into her room, his Sunshine was gone.

Gary Nelson is a copy editor for The Tribune in Mesa, Ariz.

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DEAR ABBY

Wife hesitates to bare all with family and friends

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Last year a family with three children the ages of ours (5, 7 and 11) moved to our block. These are the nicest kids you could imagine. Our children get along famously with them.

After a month or two, their mom mentioned that they normally skinny-dip in their pool and wondered how we felt about our kids doing so when they were visiting. When I explained that we believe in keeping the body private, she assured me that they would be clothed whenever we visited, and nothing more was said about it.

We have socialized with them throughout the year and really enjoyed it. In addition to their swimming naked, I was told that everyone in their family sleeps in the nude, so I can only assume they walk around naked from time to time.

My husband and I began wearing nightclothes when our first child was nearing 2 because we were both raised to believe that exposing oneself to children was harmful. Yet I keep wondering if it is so harmful, why is this family so well-adjusted?

Frankly, my husband and I would like to sleep in the nude again and I would like to skinny-dip in their pool, but I'm confused as to what is right and wrong. Can you help? — ELLEN C. IN VALENCIA, CALIF.



Van Buren

DEAR ELLEN: There is no "right" or "wrong" here. How one feels about nudity is a personal decision.

DEAR ABBY: I have a problem I have never seen addressed in your column or anybody else's. It's doctors who scribble prescriptions in such a hurry that they can't be read, and pharmacists who fail to double-check them with the doctor.

My frail 95-year-old mother was given a double dose of strong medicine by mistake because of a hastily scribbled prescription. The pharmacist didn't check with the doctor — he just filled it. The nurse at the doctor's office said this happens all the time.

Another patient was taking medicine four times a day when the prescription should have stated "daily."

My son was given only 100 mg. of medication when it should have been 300 mg.

Abby, this is important. What good is it to have a high-priced doctor if no one can read the prescriptions he writes and the pharmacist doesn't take the time to call and check it out? — ANGRY IN ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

DEAR ANGRY: Your letter is well worth space in my column. Doctors, please take care when writing prescriptions. And pharmacists, if you can't read the prescription, call and check with the doctor who wrote it.

DEAR ABBY: I am a single woman who has been dating a very nice man for the past year. He is a perfect gen-

tleman, intelligent, kind, comfortably retired and has many friends.

This relationship could lead to marriage. We enjoy each other's company and like to do the same things.

The only thing holding me back is his language. He uses terms like "dis, dat and dem" for "this, that and them."

This may seem childish, but I just can't accept the way he speaks. Sometimes I am embarrassed when we are with friends.

Should I tell him how I feel? He is such a nice person, but I think I will probably quit seeing him because of the language problem. Sign me ... MEANT FOR EACH OTHER IN MILWAUKEE

DEAR MEANT FOR EACH OTHER: The gentleman who is "comfortably retired" would find it very difficult, if not impossible, to change the way he speaks. If you can't accept him as he is and you find him an embarrassment, do him a favor and let him go.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P. O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Greenie the Clown

Greenie wins first

Linda Greene, "Greenie the Clown," won first place in single skits, first place in paradiability and second place in clown Gospel skits at the clown competition, which was presented July 26-27 at the 10th annual International Apple Fest in Medina.

The event, which is a food, craft and entertainment festival, features locally-grown apples and recipes. Several thousand people, including some from other countries, attended the festival.

Greenie's "Apple Pound Cake" prop, a foam cake with apples that she pounded on with a foam clown hammer, was a "big hit," she joked.

August is best part of summer, with time left for lazy days

By Susan Swartz

N.Y. Times News Service

August doesn't get the respect it deserves. It arrives in a blaze of yellow light, blooming its heart out, spilling over itself, luscious and ripe, and some people act like they've had enough.

Some even act as if they'd just as soon skip August, move from July right into September. But that would be a tragedy. The essence of summer is August. Full of slow-motion days. Sometimes so hot and still they blur the brain. August can cause people to take a nap in mid-sentence. It's just what we need.

But on or about the Fourth of July someone sighs heavily and reports that summer is already almost half over. What are they talking about? By July 4 some people have yet to buy a swim suit. They're still wearing socks with their sandals.

This is not only using a rocket

cannon to burst a bubble but it's also bad math. If you figure that summer officially starts on June 21 and autumn begins on Sept. 22 then July 4 is not at all in the middle. The middle is about Aug. 6. There's plenty more of summer to go once we get to August. People shouldn't try to do math in the summer, anyhow.

If you mark summer by the size of your tomatoes we've got a long way to go. Here on the Northern California coast we're all pretty hard and green until August.

This impatience to kiss off one season to go snuggle with the next and then betray it the same way, like a serial divorcee, contributes to our nutty pace.

My mother used to warn about rushing the season, which I think was more about the appropriate time to bring deviled eggs to a party. But she knew something about the error of pushing the calendar. No wonder everyone says time

passes faster when you're older.

August is here to tell us to slow down. In some places you don't even have to mow the lawn much anymore.

There are people who advance all seasons, the kind who start thinking about tweeds when everyone else is considering white pants, but they mostly work in retail, where they are forced to wear clothes contrary to their natural rhythm.

For many of us, summer takes practice. We do not want to finally be reveling in it and have someone else start boxing it up.

Kids are much better at religiously observing the seasons. Summer starts when school lets out and ends when school begins. In between there are long, buttery days. You play games in the street, eat with your fingers, swim as much as possible and then you don't.

It's harder as adults because

unless your life is a 1950s movie where the family all goes to the shore for a month, most people squeeze summer in after work and on weekends.

I panic every time I hear someone declare summer just about over. It's not that autumn doesn't have its treats, but why be so eager for the next season?

A friend who's a teacher and has been making us jealous with her free time since mid-June announced the other day that she's ready to go back to work. I'm sure she's had her summer, seeing as how she's golden, rested, has remembered how to breathe again and aerated her lawn.

But some of us are still getting around to scheduling some actual summer. How can the season be anywhere near over if you haven't slept under the stars or eaten a mango? Summer cannot leave until you've worn something sleeveless and black out to dinner.

And been buried in beach sand. And lost at least one pair of sunglasses.

We need at least another month to taste, smell, wear and lick summer. To sit under a tree and be serenaded by cicadas. Get caught in a mountain storm, inhale the hot straw scent of a California hillside.

You can't even think of finishing summer until you've worn earrings with some sort of dangling tropical fruit and seriously considered buying sandals with phony jewels and spent one whole day in a caftan. Summer can't go before you've made a meal out of corn on the cob, sliced tomatoes and cucumbers.

If left alone to stretch and yawn, August could be the least uptight month we get, which is pretty amazing considering how many Virgos it produces.

CLUB NEWS

MIDLAND SUBURBAN LIONS CLUB/ SOUTHSIDE LIONS CLUB

Leonard Hanson, past district governor for Lions Club, installed new officers for Suburban Lions and Southside Lions Clubs in a joint installation ceremony at Suburban Lions Club building.

John Teinert is president of Suburban Lions Club; Harold Gillam is president of Southside Lions Club. Gary Carnett was elected "Lion of the Year." Hanson was awarded a Membership Key for bringing in 70 new members to Lions International. Stephanie Ann Wood, the Suburban's Queen, received a scholarship.

PRECEPTOR EPSILON DELTA CHAPTER, BSP

Preceptor Epsilon Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Rozann Milam. Cajun dinner was served. Beverly Brock

gave a program on New Orleans and Mardi Gras. Pauline Heidel presided. Diana Henderson read the minutes. Also attending were Judy Jehring, Barbara Adams, Sue Adams, Suzy Arnold, Nancy McNeerney, Ann Poteet and Alice Wood.

PERMIAN BASIN POETRY SOCIETY

Permian Basin Poetry Society met in the Presidential Museum, with 17 members and nine guests attending. Dr. Leslie Williams, chairman of the Fine Arts and Communications Division of Midland College and former editor of the poetry magazine, "The Witness," gave a program on "Sparks That Fly."

New members are Barbara Garnett of Odessa and Beverly Roberts of Midland. Doris Duncan presided. Ruth Peters read a poem, "Uncle Dillinger" by Walt McDonald. Mrs. Duncan presented Carey Behrends, director of the

Presidential Museum, with a two-volume set of books, "First Ladies: The Saga of the Presidents' Wives and Their Power, 1789-1990," for the museum's library. A report of members' participation in Summer in the City was given.

World Day of Poetry Contest and

World Day of Poetry Festival were discussed. McDonald, director of creative writing at Texas Tech University and author of 15 books of poetry and a book of short stories, will judge the contest and be guest poet for the festival. Eileen Wilks is contest chairman, and Pat Peek is festival chairman.

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Arts and crafts booths are expected to fill Koenig Park at the annual St. Louis Day Celebration in Castroville Aug. 24. Located near San Antonio, the event is expected to draw 10,000-15,000 this year.

Photo courtesy of St. Louis Catholic Church

Festival set on banks of Medina River

Staff Reports

CASTROVILLE — For over a century, appetites have been drawn to the banks of the Medina River in Castroville each August, and with good reason. The famed St. Louis Day Celebration, the model for church festivals, is held each year on the Sunday nearest and prior to Aug. 25, the feast day of the parish's patron saint, St. Louis IX of France. Picnic day this year is Aug. 24, when the "Homecoming for the State of Texas" is expected to draw 10,000-15,000 visitors to Koenig Park in this Alsatian village, to help celebrate the festival's 115 birthday. In 1986, the historic picnic was presented an Official Historical Marker by the Texas Historical Commission which traces the history, growth and significance of the century-old affair. The event will begin with a 9 a.m. morning Mass on celebration day in the 127-year-old, majestic St. Louis Catholic Church. The internationally-known Liederkreis Choir from San Antonio will sing the Mass.

At Koenig Park, a dinner of barbecue beef and Alsatian-style sausage, potato salad, cabbage slaw, and ranch-style pinto beans will be served from 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Food booths of all kinds — including sausage buns, barbecue buns, roasted corn fajitas tacos, nachos, candy, homemade cake and beer — will be open in the afternoon.

There will be entertainment, games and amusements all day long. These will include a silent auction, and Kiddie Korner for the youngsters.

Free live entertainment on an outdoor stage will feature bands, singing and dance groups. The annual St. Louis Day Horseshoe Pitching Tournament and volleyball tournament will be conducted.

Advance meal tickets are available at the regular meal price of \$5 each. Checks or money orders should be sent to St. Louis Day Celebration, 610 Madrid, Castroville, 78009.

The annual picnic "Pot of Gold" drawing that ends the day's activities will feature a state of 95 merchandise prizes and gift certificates. Another special drawing will be held, featuring two extra-large hand-stitched quilts, valued at about \$1,200 to \$1,500 each, and an afghan.

Free parking is available at or near the park, and free shuttle buses will operate between the park and town square and other strategic stops. There is no admission charge to enter the prairie grounds on picnic day.



Photo courtesy of Fort Worth Zoo

Meerkat mounds abound at exhibit

Staff Reports

FORT WORTH — Meerkats are not a familiar sight to most adults. But children might look at the slender-tailed South American natives and immediately think of the cartoon meerkat in the animated Disney movie "The Lion King."

Now youngsters can see the real version. A member of the Viverridae family — which includes civets, genetis and mongooses — meerkats live in colonies. They take on the roles of babysitter, sentry, and hunter. Their diet consists of insects (including venomous insects like scorpions) small mammals and reptiles. They are

fierce hunters and scrappy fighters when defending their territory. Native to the plains of Africa, some meerkats will have a new home at the Fort Worth zoo. The meerkat mounds exhibit opened Saturday. The exhibit simulates Africa's dry, rocky environment with a Plexiglas wall allowing for maximum viewing. A bubble window is carved into the wall for even closer viewing.

Meerkats are both bold and inquisitive. They will investigate every nook and cranny of the areas they inhabit. They are rarely over 2 pounds in weight and 20 inches in length (about one-third of which is tail). The colony sur-



Photo courtesy of Fort Worth Zoo

vives by teamwork. Entrance to Meerkat Mounds is free with regular zoo admission.

The zoo is located off of Interstate-30, going south on the Uni-

versity Drive exit. For more information on the zoo, call the 24-hour Info Line at (817) 871-7050. The zoo Internet web site is located at www.fortworthzoo.com.

Cambodia coup leaves tourist sites empty, clubs dark

N.Y. Times News Service

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia — "It's zero," said Nongnui Dobbs, Phnom Penh office manager for the East-West travel agency, describing tourism to Cambodia after last month's coup.

"It's nil," said Meng Hieng, managing director of the Pich Tourist Co.

Chenda Sophea Sok, undersecretary of state in the ministry of tourism, agreed. "Those images of evacuation planes killed us, killed the industry," he said.

More than a month since political tensions erupted in fighting in early July, virtually no one is visiting Cambodia for pleasure. Although both the fighting and the evacuation flights have ended, it could be months before the

industry recovers.

Hotels are nearly empty. Airlines have cut back on their flights. Restaurants and nightclubs have fallen dark, and casinos have closed. Tour operators, drivers, waiters, chambermaids, vendors, guides, hawkers and ladies of the evening are mostly out of work. The National Museum in Phnom Penh opens its doors each morning, stands empty all day, then closes on schedule in the evening. Almost no one travels to visit the

great temples at Angkor Wat, where gunfire could be heard in mid-July.

Political instability and, in remote areas, persistent banditry have always been part of the landscape for visitors to Cambodia. But the country's small tourism industry had begun to grow in recent years.

Since the coup, security is in question again. The fighting of early July has ended in the capital, and Angkor Wat appears secure,

too. But the possibility of renewed fighting remains in the country's western and northern regions. The most recent United States State Department warning, issued Aug. 8, recommends that United States citizens defer nonessential travel to Cambodia and that those who must go not travel outside Phnom Penh, specifically mentioning Siem Reap province, site of Angkor Wat. Sok, of the Ministry of Tourism, said he was still optimistic about the future.

Travel reduces hair loss

N.Y. Times News Service

Quotable: "Traveling actually reduces male hair loss. Wake up any morning on vacation and men will find that hair has magically grown on their faces." — from the American Society of Travel Agents' "Top 10 Reasons Why Americans Should Travel."

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CONVENIENCE STORES

Top chefs fix school lunches too

By Kitty Crider

N.Y. Times News Service

AUSTIN — Noon by noon and night by night, they put their professional skills to work, turning out plates and platters of crispy duck on pappardelle with cognac jus, mocha creme brulee, adobo-rubbed mahi mahi with chipotle passionfruit beurre blanc.

They are chefs. They take pride in their food, talk a culinary language of their own, know the difference in portobello and shiitake mushrooms, and how to salvage a curdled sauce.

But come daybreak, some of these chefs, who also are parents, face the same problems as many other Central Texans: How to pack a school lunch that kids will eat and not be teased by their classmates. Does it have to be peanut butter and jelly? Or can they send tofu, mangoes and lentils?

Austin-area chefs report mixed results. Charles Mayes, executive chef and general partner of Cafe Josie, says his son Noah, 13, will buy his lunch when school starts in Austin next week. In the past, however, Noah loved tofu, but he was the only student in his school bringing a tofu sandwich in his lunch. "It didn't take too many kids pointing and asking 'what is that?' to kill that. Now, he won't touch it," says Dad the chef.

So the Mayeses do not make tofu sandwiches for school lunches any more. And although Noah is buying lunch this year, the Mayeses have two other children who will be taking food from home.

SO WHAT WORKS in their lunchboxes? Do the culinary pros have any secrets that will benefit ordinary lunch-packing parents?

Indeed, yes. Sliced bread is not the only staple in the lunch box. Nathan Mayes, 10, and his sister Josie, 7, are into bagels, stacked with provolone cheese, mustard, pickle and lettuce. A round sandwich that can be varied just by changing the flavor of the bagel.

But there is more to the Mayes' sandwich scene. They also like black bean and cheese burritos in their lunches, along with fresh fruit, or dried mango slices, and a snack like a cookie or brownie or nooshi, an Asian-style cracker mix.

With his new cafe, chef Mayes has less time for lunch packing; convenience has come into the school lunch picture. Packable options are better than when his firstborn started school years ago and Mayes says he and wife Lau-

ra have lightened up on doing everything from scratch or by themselves. Now, they are trying to teach their children to make their own lunches, a practice he labels "a work in progress."

"Now we get to make lunch," says Josie, cheerfully.

"Now we have to make lunch," says Nathan, somewhat less enthusiastically.

LIKE MANY PARENTS, chef Mayes has found peanut butter and jelly to be the faithful fallback. So have other chef parents. Elmar Prams, Four Seasons Hotel's executive chef, sometimes packs lunch for his son Martin, 11, and daughter, Sarah, 9. But most of the time his wife Mary does the job. They tend to stick to the basics well-known to most parents.

"If we don't have peanut butter, there is no lunch to be made," Prams says candidly. Martin likes his peanut butter with jelly; Sarah, no jelly, with the bread crusts cut off. Chef Prams says he and his wife tried doing more exotica: things like smoked turkey and different spreads but the kids' lunch boxes came back full, with only the chips eaten. Point made.

Chef Rebecca Rather, too, has made her share of peanut butter sandwiches, cutting them into heart-shapes when her daughter was little. But now Frances is 11 and will try anything in her lunch box, says her mom, corporate pastry chef for Schlitzsky's Bread Alone. "She really likes pasta, so I do pasta (bowties, spirals) with different things — vegetables, pesto sauce."

At other times Rather has filled the lunch box with tuna salad mixed with apples, or different kinds of breads packed with smoked honey turkey or egg salad. Also into the lunch sack goes a juice box, fruit and a gourmet cookie or brownie.

Elias Rangle, chef for Al Capone's Ristorante Italiano, is another parent who has found pasta to be a good lunch box filler. When he shares the lunch packing duties with his wife, he often includes linguine with vegetables or ravioli. "All the kids like pasta," he says of their three children, ages 10, 6 and 3.

Vegetarian preferences of chefs or their families figure into today's lunch-packing routines. The Mayeses, for instance, have one child who finds even the new veggie cold cuts too meat-like to include in a sandwich. But for others, they are tasty look-alikes. Joe Buley, executive chef at Louie's 106, is successful in packing in sauteed spinach and lentils

in the lunch sacks of his youngsters, Nikita, 5, and Olivia, 3. That may be the influence of his wife Lori, a semi-vegetarian. At other times the lunch menu may feature peanut butter and apple butter sandwiches, or whole-fat yogurt, sweetened with maple syrup or fresh fruit.

"My 3-year-old likes Roquefort and crackers in his lunch. That's a little eccentric," says Buley. And both the youngsters eat mussels, but not in lunch sacks. Recyclers, the Buleys pack their culinary creations into reusable plastic containers.

Buley and his wife, who also have a 6-month-old, both bake, and the children often find such treats as homemade banana bread and cookies in their unusual lunch sacks. The bags are cloth Italian risotto sacks recycled from the restaurant by Lori. At the day-care center, the sacks go into a refrigerator, until lunchtime. But this month as Nikita begins kindergarten, she probably will switch to a Barbie lunch box and the Buleys will pack more nonperishable offerings.

KEEPING A LUNCH hot or cold is just as much a challenge for chefs as for ordinary parents.

"You need things that can sit around a few hours and not make people sick," says Albert Musca, executive chef for the Renaissance Austin Hotel and father of three. That's one reason peanut butter is so popular. And he or his wife packs it occasionally for his 10-year-old daughter Rachel.

One of Rachel's favorite sandwiches, however, is tuna salad, which goes to school with an ice pack to keep it cold and safe. It might be accompanied by a bag of Chee-tos, a small carton of yogurt, juice or water and a fruit roll-up, or fresh fruit. "She loves peaches or strawberries, and we try to get fresh fruit in the lunch," he says.

Like other parents, Musca has tried sending leftovers in the lunch, but without much success. "I'm still looking for a lunchbox that would keep a meal warm for the needed period of time. Maybe I ought to invent it," he says.

However, there is one leftover

that he has sent to school successfully — cold pizza. "She loved that," he says with surprise.

Five kid-friendly ideas for the lunch box:

1. Cold pizza
2. Lidded bowl filled with breakfast cereal, to which student can add milk
3. Pasta with vegetables
4. Cold tacos
5. Burritos

Tips for packing lunch:

1. If buying new lunch box accessories, take children with you to determine how easily they can handle the items, such as opening and closing beverage containers so they do not leak.

2. Test drive your child on juice boxes or pouches (the latter are harder to pierce and tend to squirt), cans of pudding or tuna salads, which may have sharp lids. Some of the packages are challenging to young students.

3. Basic but so important: Wash hands before packing lunches.

4. When reusing lunch containers, run them through the dishwasher with very hot water and let rack dry. If a lunch box or nylon bag needs sanitizing, wash with hot soapy water and wipe with a solution of 1 tablespoon bleach to 1 gallon water.

5. When packing perishables, include an ice pack to keep the food cold until lunch time. Or freeze the juice pouch and let it double as an ice pack.

6. Let children help make selections and prepare lunches.

7. Try different breads: pitas, rolls, tortillas, bagels.

8. Resist the temptation to introduce new foods in lunch box. Give children the assurance of trying new foods at home first so you and they know they like them.

9. Kids tend to eat things they have selected, grown, picked from the garden or made. As an end-of-summer activity, bake cookies with children for school lunches. Freeze in airtight tin or plastic container for use in lunches.

10. As good as a cookie is a note of love or encouragement from parents in lunch, or a special drawing on a sack.

BRIDGE WINNERS

The following are bridge winners for July 29-Aug. 4.

TUESDAY
1. Gloria Crites, Becky Kinsey
2. Marsha Swanson, Ricki Perry
3. Leonora Slusher, Jimmie Penn
4. Jerry Williamson, Betty Sheeler

WEDNESDAY
1. Jimmie Branch, Jimmy Cox
2. Becky Kinsey, Leonora Slusher
3. and 4. Tie: Babe Griffin, Billie Ruppe, Wanda Scott, Tip Branch

THURSDAY
1. Carolyn Hancock, Helen Owen
2. Dorothy Lloyd, Corrinne Recer
3. Betty Moody, Joyce Mitchell
4. and 5. Tie: Lydia Wilkinson, Betty Marlow, Jean Banks, Billie Ruppe

NON-LIFE MASTER:
NORTH-SOUTH:
1. Kathryn Gesell, James Simpson
2. Carol Duncker, Nancy Prusca
3. Christine Scott, Shirley Glass
4. Linda Buzan, Joyce Mitchell

EAST-WEST:
1. Mary Renton, Ken Hill
2. Jayne and Fred Kester
3. Donna and Bill Travis
4. Belle Harris, Roger Brooks

SATURDAY
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
JOE SALMAN
1. Marianne and Buf Slay

2. Dixie Gifford, Gloria Crites
3. Linda Jerman, Jerry Crooker
4. Mary Renton, Ken Hill

SUNDAY UNIT MEETING

FLIGHT A:
1. Marie Morris, Leonora Slusher
2. Lib French, Betty Sheeler
3. Oberia Parks, Nell Hall
4. Donita and Wilbur Cunningham

FLIGHT B:
1. Oberia Parks, Nell Hall
2. Donita and Wilbur Cunningham
3. Glenda Simmons, Martha Poss
4. Sandra Rea, Clarence Marley

FLIGHT C:
1. Donita and Wilbur Cunningham
2. Glenda Simmons, Martha Poss
3. Nancy Little, Patti Horton
4. Betty and Ladd Smith

MONDAY

NORTH-SOUTH:
1. Gloria Crites, Jimmie Penn
2. Linda Jerman, Jerry Crooker
3. Becky Kinsey, Marie Morris

EAST-WEST:
1. Marianne and Buf Slay
2. Jimmie Branch, Jimmy Cox
3. Mary Renton, Ken Hill

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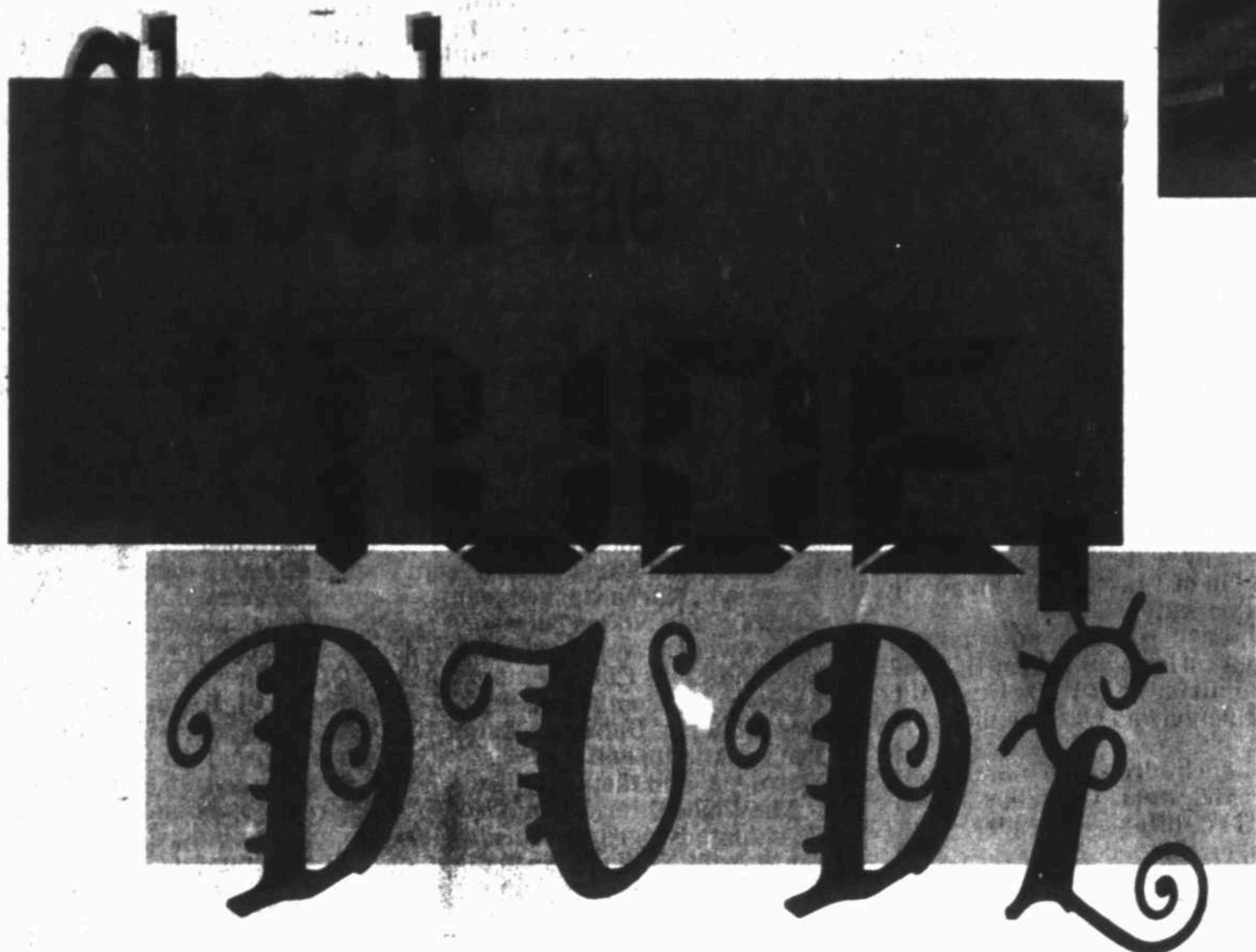
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Texas Legislature puts teeth into school districts' codes of conduct

Students returning to school — put away the sagging pants, put down the pager, check your attitude at the door and your medication with the principal's office. The MISD student code of conduct is now in effect.

"All 23,000 students get a copy every year as part of the student handbook," said Ricardo Torres, Executive Director of Secondary Operations for Midland Independent School District. "It's an A-to-Z overview of relevant information for parents," Torres said.

"It's material that doesn't always get to the parent," he said.

He noted that 20 to 30 percent are left behind in student lockers at the end of the school year.

The handbook comes with a signature page for parents to acknowledge the receipt of the material. It also contains an Internet use agreement, and information for parents who wish to opt children out of certain portions of the health or life sciences classes.

As students return to the classroom, changes made this year by the Texas Legislature have allowed MISD to expel students for drug and weapons violations.

"The most significant change in the student code of conduct is how we deal with certain violations," Torres said. He said that the passage of Senate Bill 133, increased the number of "expellable offenses."

Last year, the possession of a knife of any type on a school campus resulted in expulsion of the student. Because of the stringent way the policy was written, an elementary student was expelled for a knife brought from home in a lunch box.

This year's policy has been written to make the possession of "illegal knives" an expellable offense.

"To be considered 'illegal,' a knife must have a 5 1/2 inch blade," Torres said. "This includes throwing knives, butterfly knives, daggers, stilettos and switchblades."

MISD Police Chief Dan Walkenshaw said butterfly knives (a type of folding knife) are often bought at a gun and knife shows as a "curiosity" and that as long as they are kept at home they are legal.

"Butterfly knives at school are a third-degree felony," Walkenshaw said. "The parents just melt into the sidewalk when they find out."

"No knives of any size, shape or color can be on school property," Walkenshaw said.

"A Swiss Army knife will get you into AEP (alternative education), but it will not get you expelled," Torres said. AEP is an alternative classroom on the campus where students are separated from their peers as a disciplinary measure. He said that students will be assigned to AEP for a minimum of three days, and for no longer than a semester.

The legislative changes have also put some teeth into MISD's "zero tolerance" policy on drugs by allowing the school to expel students for drug offenses.

"Controlled substances, inhalants and dangerous substances are reverting from AEP placement to expellable offenses," Torres said.

All medicines, prescription or over-the-counter, that students intend to take during the school day must be checked in at the principal's office with a written request from their parents. The medicine "will be dispensed at the proper time by the principal or his designee," the handbook states.

Students need to be aware that giving another student something as seemingly harmless as Tylenol or a Midol can result in that student being sent to Alternative Education.

"Where we get into problems is with prescription drugs," Walkenshaw said. He noted there were problems with Ritalin, used to treat attention deficit disorder, in some secondary schools last year. "Several students were expelled and charged with felonies,"

Walkenshaw said.

In a situation where students were in possession of non-prescription medications like Tylenol or Midol, Walkenshaw said his personnel, "would confer with the principal and get the parents involved."

Possession of tobacco, which will become a misdemeanor Sept. 1 for persons under 21, will result in mandatory removal to AEP, Torres said.

Beepers and cell phones are also banned by the student code of conduct unless the student is an active member of a volunteer fire department or volunteer emergency medical service.

"We pick up an awful lot of beepers," Walkenshaw said. He said the parents are notified and have to come pick up the beeper for their child and sign an acknowledgement.

"You have one shot to get it back," he said. After the first offense, the beeper is usually returned to the company that supplied it.

"There are a small number of parents who seem to have a legitimate reason for the children to have beepers, but we are not allowed to make any exceptions to the rule."

Fashion trends have also made their way into the student code of conduct.

All Madonna wannabes take note — no bare midriffs, halter tops or spandex allowed. No undergarments are allowed as outer wear either; skirts and shorts must still be a modest 3 inches above the top of the knee.

"Anything that distracts from the learning environment is a problem," Torres said.

He added that the biggest problem he sees on campuses now is called "sagging" where baggy pants are worn with the waist low on the hips, often with underwear peeking over the waistband. "Pants are designed to fit around the waist," the handbook states.

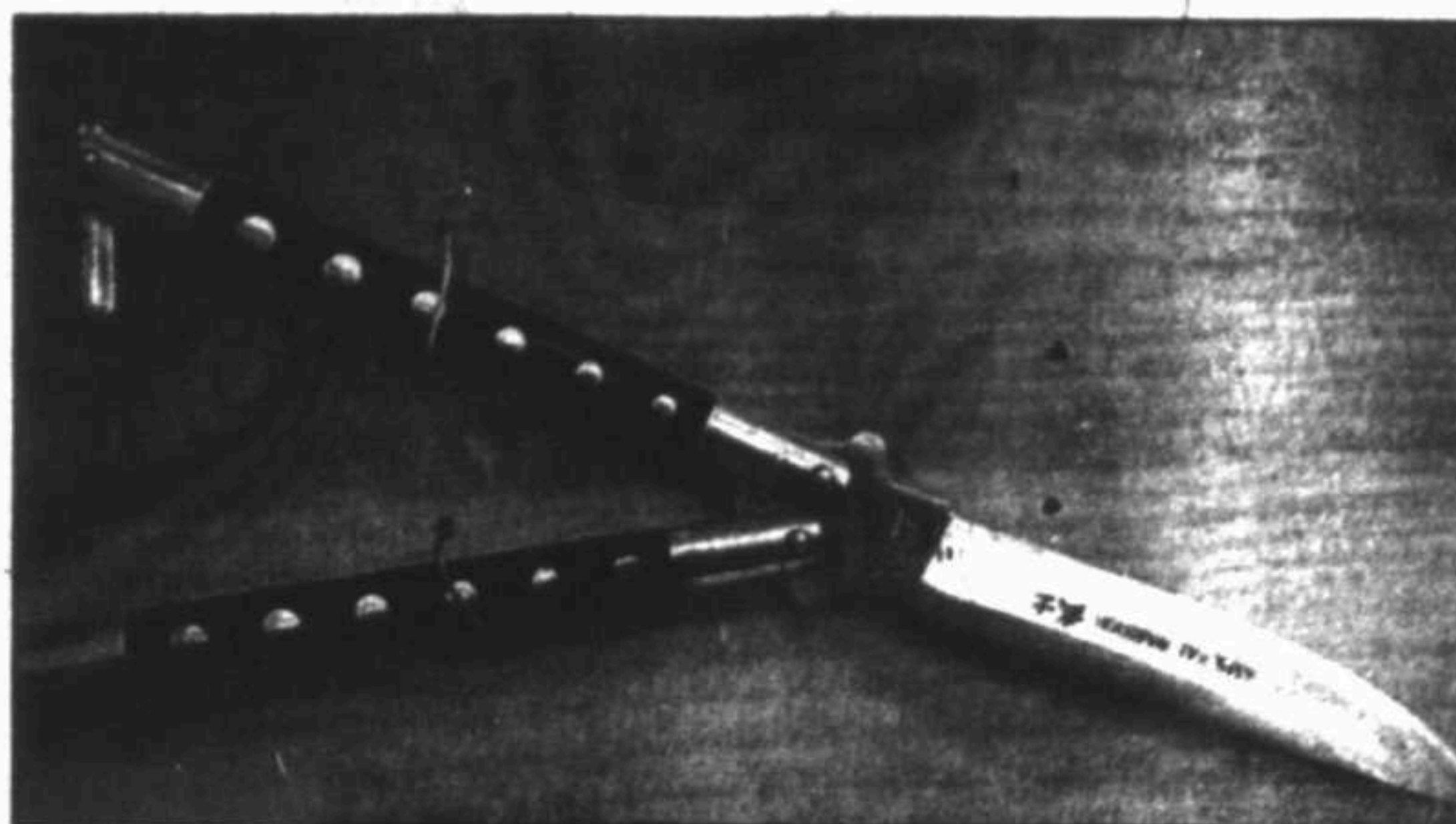
"If a student is found to be in violation of the dress code, the procedure is to allow the student to call their parents to bring them appropriate clothing," Torres said. In secondary schools, the school may offer to furnish the students with "sweats," he added.

"The parents will often be indignant with us," Torres said, when they are called with a dress code violation. "But, there is no rule that is more important than any other. We don't have the luxury of deciding which rules to enforce."

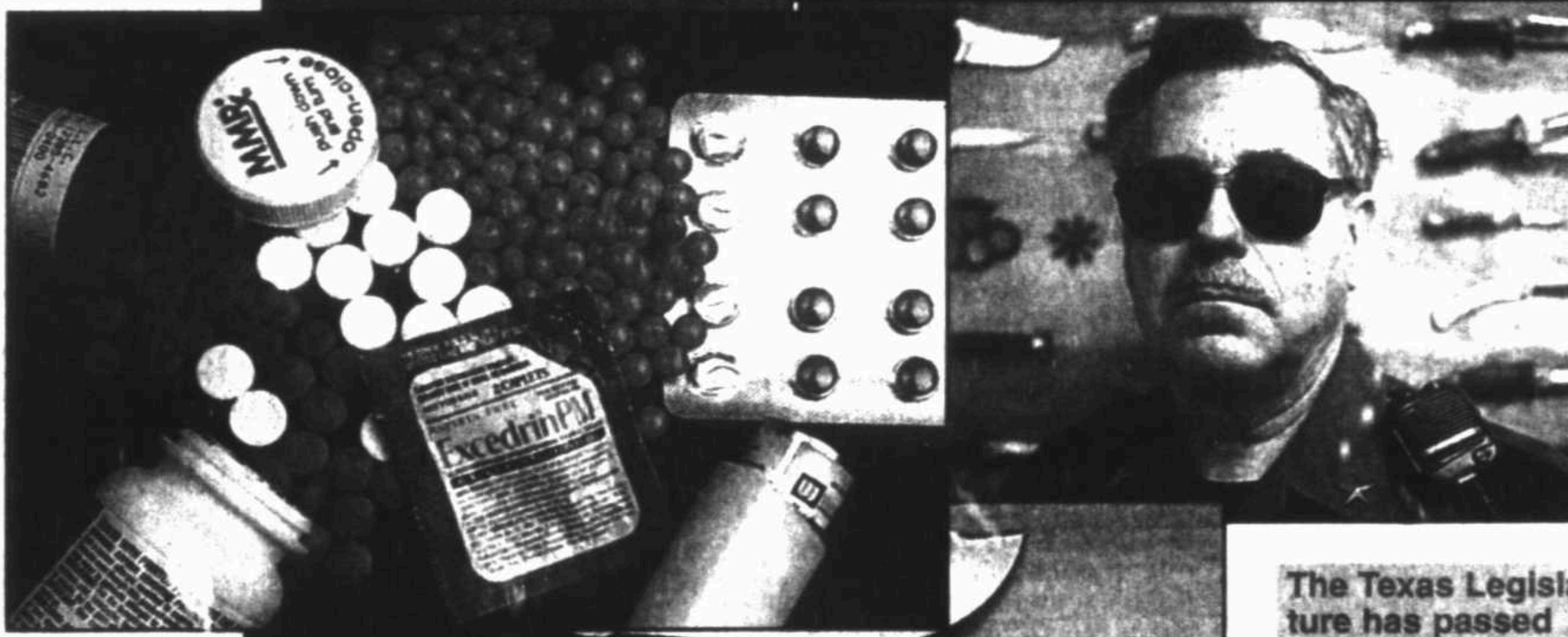
He said that gang problems continue to be an issue that the school district attempts to control by regulating what students can wear to school.

Bandanas are often used to "show colors" of gang members, Walkenshaw said, and are prohibited attire for that reason. A collection of confiscated bandanas line one wall of the MISD police department office.

Why all the rules? Torres said that because of societal changes, "Kids are being forced to make choices earlier. The changes that have befallen our culture are reflected in the code of conduct."



MISD is cracking down this year on knives, including butterfly knives like the one at left, taken from a student in a previous school year. The student handbook outlines inappropriate attire like that shown below.



The Texas Legislature has passed measures allowing school districts to put more bite in their codes of conduct, especially on weapons like those at left below, and drugs, including prescription medication like that at left above. MISD Police Chief Dan Walkenshaw, above, also warns that beepers, except under special circumstances, and bandanas are not allowed.

STORY BY POLICE RSHITORE

PHOTOS BY CURT WILCOTT (ATTIRE AND WEAPONS)
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EDUCATION IN BRIEF

ODESSA — Students planning to attend Odessa College for the first time during the 1997 fall semester should go to the admissions office on the first floor of the Student Union Building before registering. New students also will avoid a delay in registering if they complete the application process before registration, according to Ralph Ford, dean of enrollment management and student services.

Registration for the fall semester at OC will begin Tuesday for students with last names beginning with the letters "M" through "Z." Those whose last names begin with letters "A" through "L" may register Wednesday. Both will register from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. in the registrar's office on the second floor of the Student Union Building. Any student may register Thursday from 1-6 p.m.

For information, call OC at 335-6400.

ODESSA — Odessa College has added a new degree plan — an associate in applied science in legal assistant. The degree, which has been approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, will be available for the fall semester.

The rapid enrollment growth in OC's legal assistant program — it quadrupled over the last year — encouraged the school to establish the additional degree, according to Ben Wilcox, an attorney who serves as an associate professor in the program.

The 70 semester-hour degree, which takes two years to complete, focuses on the technical skills legal assistants need and qualifies them to take the national certification exam.

Enrollment in the program is

not only for students planning a career as a legal assistant but also for law firm employees who want to improve skills and further their careers.

AUSTIN — The Texas Association of Partners in Education (TAPE) has announced the election of Patricia Q. Garcia, supervisor for PIE/VIPS for the Midland Independent School District, to its 1997-98 board of directors.

TAPE is a non-profit organization dedicated to building community partnerships with schools to enhance student learning. TAPE provides leadership in the formation and growth of partnerships through training, collaboration, regional networks, materials, and national affiliation.

The 19th annual TAPE conference will be Feb. 18-20 in El Paso.

The Midland Independent School District offers its Majority to Minority Transfer Program to elementary students in grades kindergarten through three. MISD encourages parents to exercise the opportunity for their elementary students who are in the majority at their assigned campus to transfer to any campus where their ethnicity is in the minority.

If space is not available at the selected campus, a list of alternate schools will be provided for parents. Approved transfers are in effect for one year, and transportation will be provided by MISD for elementary students with an approved majority to minority transfer.

For questions regarding the program, call Jimmie Kelly, director of compliance and administrative services at 689-

1994; or Martha Martinez, parenting information specialist at 689-1994.

Buddy Stewart, art of the Greenwood Independent School District participated in a workshop this summer at Tarleton State University.

Sponsored through the University's Department of Agricultural Services and Development, the program offered certification for instruction in Hunter Safety, Live Fire and Hunter Trails.

Through the efforts of APEL Education Consultancy LLC, a check for \$1,000 has been pre-



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sented by ARCO Permian to Midland High School to upgrade the school's computer lab.

The new computer capabilities mean that the lab facility can be used for specialized training courses such as the SLICE Program for students, parents and teachers.

Special Learners Included through Computers in Education is a patented educational system developed by Lynda Morris, Ph.D., founder of APEL Education Consultancy. The program uses assistive technology to support students who have learning disabilities or dyslexia.

APEL hopes to conduct a training course in the newly upgraded lab during the fall semester. ARCO also supports educational activities at DeZavala Elementary School and Casa de Amigos, through their Partners in Education Program.

Acclaimed sewing instructor to teach hands-on classes

Debbie Glen, nationally acclaimed sewing instructor, will be teaching here Sept. 3-5.

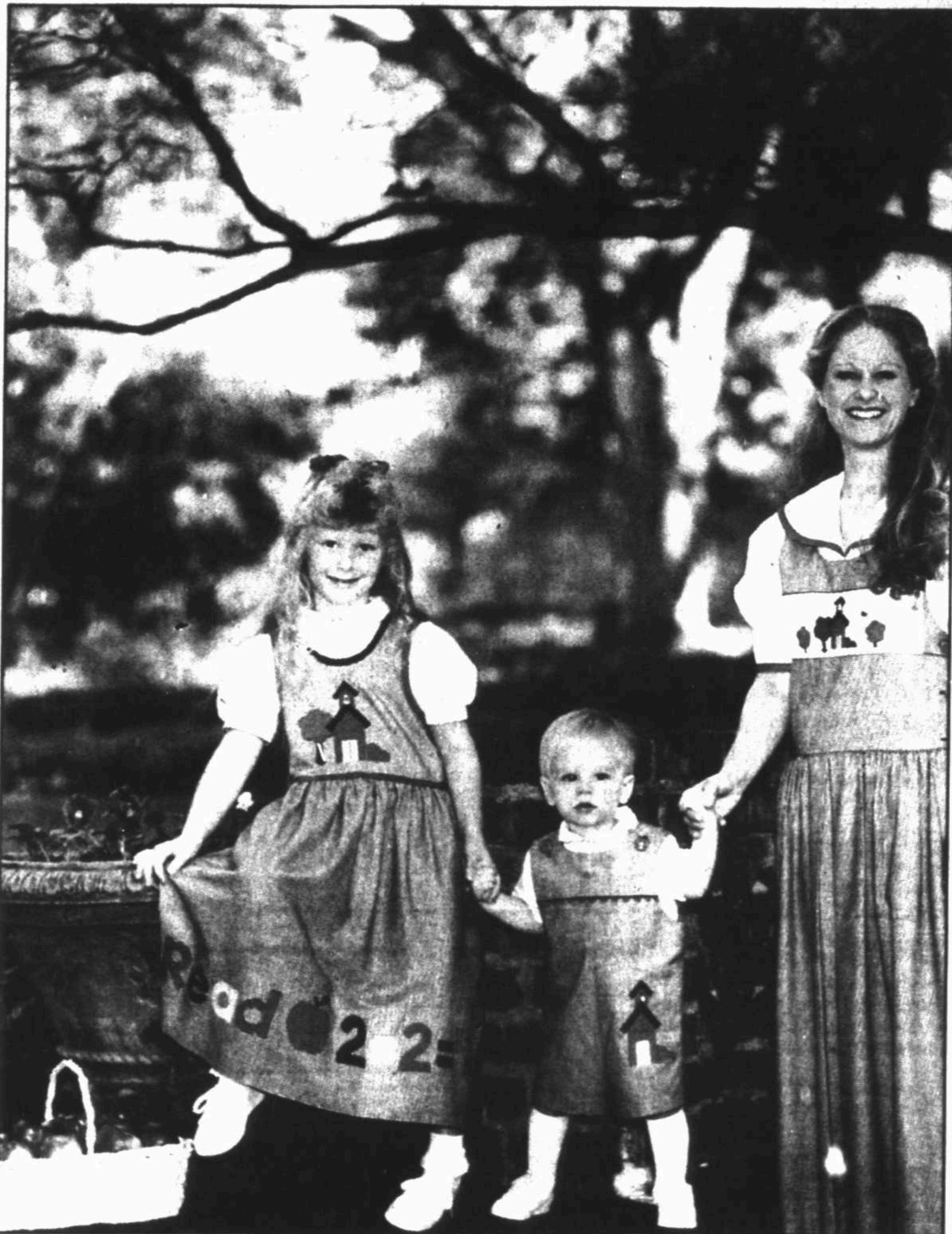
Classes include Madeira Applique Techniques, Intermediate Applique, 3-D Applique, Creating Stacked cable Coordinates and Vertical Smocked Sleeves. Registration must be made by Aug. 20.

The classes are sponsored by The Tumbleweed Chapter of the Smocking Arts Guild of America, the Arts Assembly of Midland and The Texas Commission on the Arts. Interested parties are invited to register for these hands-on classes. A trunk show of the designer's garments and a market will be available for class participants.

Ms. Glenn, who lives in Aiken, S.C., has published articles in "Creative Needle," "Low Country Stitches" and is a columnist in "Sew Beautiful Magazine" with articles featuring mother, daughter, son and doll coordinates. She publishes patterns under her Love and Stitches label.

Classes will be held at the Family Center of the Golf Course Road Church of Christ. Advance registration is needed as space is limited for each class. Enrollment is on a first-come basis and must be made by Aug. 20 so that materials are available. For more information and registration forms call Mary Jo Fortuna, 699-6932.

Also, the August meeting of the Tumbleweed Chapter will feature a program by Ms. Fortuna, "Finishing Touches, Accessorizing Your Garments." The meeting is set for 7 p.m. Monday at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 N. Garfield St. Interested members of the public are invited to attend. For more information call 683-7133 or 686-7573.



Debbie Glen and her children model her creations.

MAKING THE GRADE

Five Scandinavian students spent three weeks in July in Midland as part of the Lions International Youth Exchange Program. Heidi Hanson, Thomas Brostrom and Laust Jensen from Denmark, Karen Aasved from Norway, and Niklas Nilsson from Sweden, were hosted by Midland Lions Club members Leonard Hanson, Mark Singh, Don Eckerty, Denisa Marston, Darrel Adams and Bob Edwards, and their families.

The Lions International Youth Exchange Programs aims to foster international understanding through cultural exchanges among youths from the 185 countries where Lions clubs exist.

MCPHERSON, Kan. — Chris Peterson, a graduate of Lee High School, is on the second semester Dean's Honor Roll at Central College.

Peterson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Peterson from Midland, is a junior business major.

ITHACA, N.Y. — Midlanders Laura Baressi and Geoffrey Hasley were among those to graduate from Cornell University at its recent commencement.

LUBBOCK — Jennifer Farnel of Midland was a member of the 1997 graduating class of the respiratory care program on the South Plains College Lubbock

campus.

ABILENE — Johnny D. Couch of Midland received a master's of education degree in reading specialization during summer commencement at Abilene Christian University.

ODESSA — Twenty-six students recently graduated from Odessa College's vocational nursing program in Andrews.

This is the 10th year OC has offered the vocational nursing program in Andrews.

The graduates are: Carrie Anderson, Andrews; Lee Ann Artiga, Odessa; Tracy Awbrey, Andrews; Sherrie Bushman, Odessa; Linda Canava, Andrews; Glenda Chennault, Midland; Jolisa Corbin, Andrews; Angela Cross, Odessa; Vivian Earley, Midland; Sandy Franco, Andrews; Shannon Fretwell, Andrews; Beverly Gannaway, Andrews; Nancy Hiebert, Hobbs, N.M.; Seminole; Tonya Hale, Andrews; Jim Hines, Midland; Brandi Lloyd, Andrews; Nancy Lopez, Andrews; Bobby McDowell, Garrettsville; Melissa Molesky, Odessa; Nelly Orenday, Odessa; Tina Pool, Andrews; Chrissy Preslar, Midland; Ineatie Rider, Andrews; Mike Scott, Odessa; Tona Scott, Odessa; and Becky Smart, Andrews.

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Midland Independent School District

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Tuesday: Breakfast: Blueberry buckle bread or assorted cereal and toast, fruit juice, lowfat milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets or chili cheese fries, California vegetables, french fries, watermelon, cornbread, fruit drink, lowfat milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Crispy waffles and syrup or assorted cereals and toast, fruit juice, lowfat milk. Lunch: Hamburger, cheeseburger or baked chicken, crispy potato cubes, golden corn,

lettuce and tomatoes, hot roll, fruit drink, lowfat milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll or assorted cereals, toast, fruit juice, lowfat milk. Lunch: Enchiladas or nacho grande, spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce and tomatoes, fruit drink, lowfat milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Scrambled egg and toast or assorted cereals and toast, fruit juice, lowfat milk. Lunch: Frito pie or tamales, plain or with chili, pinto beans, carrot and celery sticks, cornbread, fruit drink, lowfat milk.

Greenwood Independent School District

Monday: Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, juice milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, rice

with brown gravy, buttered peas, fruit salad, hot rolls, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Bacon and eggs, biscuits with jelly, juice, milk. Lunch: Bar-B-Q on a bun, potato salad, baked beans, cherry applesauce, salad, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage links, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken Hoagie sandwiches with cheese, cheetos, lettuce, tomato and pickles, fresh peaches, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal, biscuits with honey, banana, milk. Lunch: Steak fingers, potatoes with gravy, buttered corn, hot rolls, chilled peaches, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: French toast sticks with syrup, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburgers, french fries, hamburger salad w/ pickles, ranger cake, milk.



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Public universities see rise in students from wealthy families

N.Y. Times News Service

The nation's public four-year colleges and universities, long the backbone of economic opportunity for moderate-income Americans, are increasingly serving the economic elite, who as a group no longer put so high a premium on private education.

The proportion of students from rich families sending their children to public universities has risen sharply in the last 15 years, according to data to be published next month by Michael McPherson of Macalaster College in St. Paul and Morton Schapiro of the University of Southern California. These two economists estimate that 38 percent of the college freshmen from families earning more than \$200,000 a year enrolled in public institutions in 1994, compared with 31 percent in 1980.

Those findings are underscored by recent studies in Minnesota, Florida and Oregon showing that students in four-year public institutions come from wealthier families, on average, than their counterparts in private colleges and universities in those states.

The gentrification of public colleges accents what Tom Kane, an economist at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, calls "the simmering crisis" in education finance. And it is a crisis carrying its full share of questions about fairness.

WHILE THE demand for higher education is widely expected to rise by a third in the next decade, there is little indication that state legislatures are prepared to come up with the greater subsidies to support the extra students at the public institutions. If across-the-board tuition increases are used to fill the gap, McPherson argues, "the poor will bear the brunt," because an even higher percentage of places in four-year public colleges will be filled by students whose parents could have paid the full cost of their education. This in turn, will tighten the financial noose on private colleges that depend on affluent families to pay a disproportionate share of the institution's bills.

"Parents are buying college the way they buy consumer goods," concluded Schapiro, co-author of the forthcoming "Student Aid Game" (Princeton University Press). "They're saying to themselves, 'Why pay full tuition at Stanford when you can get almost as good an education at Berkeley for one-third the price?'"

Economists and educators suggest that the findings challenge the underlying logic of the way public higher education is priced. With strong support from taxes, most public institutions charge uniform fees to all. But many experts argue that one-tuition-fits-all pricing unfairly burdens taxpayers and hard-pressed middle-income students alike. The better way, they assert, would be to charge on a sliding scale according to family income, long the approach of private colleges with strong commitments to equitable access.

"THE TAXPAYERS are getting less education for fewer people than they could have with means-tested tuition policies," argued James Day, a consultant on education finance.

It has long been conventional wisdom that public higher education is the way up for the hard-working children of low- and moderate-income families, while the affluent enjoy the perquisites of private college. In fact, the numbers show how much these demographic lines are blurring.

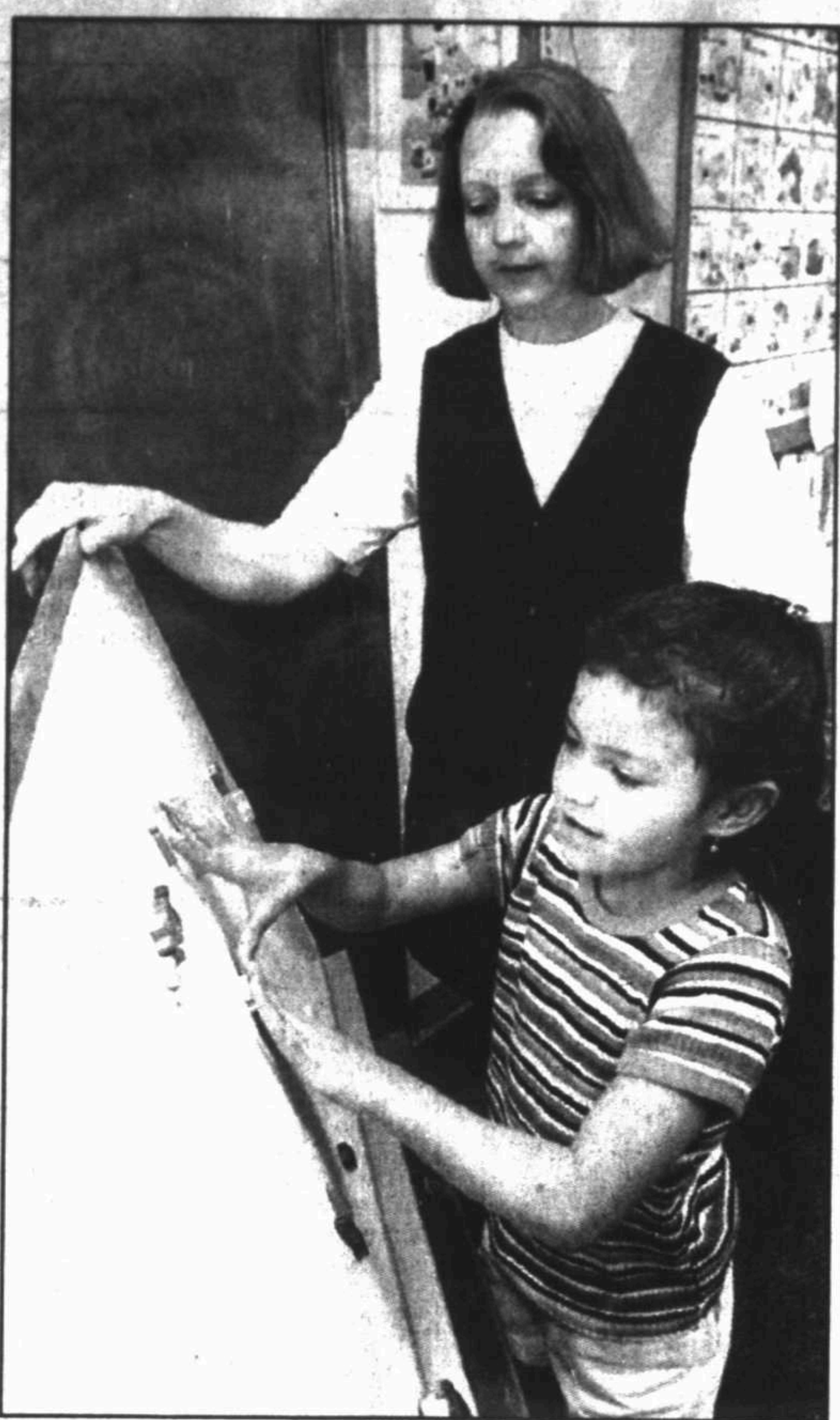
One reason is the price of private education. McPherson and Schapiro calculate that in 1992-93, families with incomes exceeding \$40,000 paid an average of \$11,600 for tuition at private four-year colleges, compared with just \$3,100 at public colleges.

Another reason is the shrinking difference in perceived quality between private and public education, given fine state-financed flagship campuses from San Diego to Ann Arbor to Chapel Hill. And the consumerist approach to picking colleges has been psychologically validated by heavily publicized college rankings that factor in price as well as quality, giving new prominence to institutions like the State University of New York at Binghamton.

RECALCULATING ALL their numbers in terms of 1994 dollars, Schapiro and McPherson found that the proportion of families with incomes exceeding \$200,000 that sent their children to the best public research-oriented institutions — places like Indiana University and the University of Wisconsin — rose from 19.6 percent in 1980 to 24.6 percent in 1994.

Equally striking, the upper middle class has discovered the relative virtues of second-tier public four-year colleges, like those in the California State system, that compete with less selective private institutions.

The proportion of families with incomes between \$100,000 and \$200,000 that enrolled freshmen in these public colleges rose from 15.5 percent in 1980 to 20.1 percent in 1994, adding to state education costs and depriving private colleges of the students, increasingly rare, who could be expected to pay full price.



AP Photo

Reading recovery

Will Rogers Elementary School teacher Patrice Grider, left, helps first-grader Stephany Cano with her reading skills at an Amarillo school in June. More than 200 children were served by Amarillo Independent School District's Reading Recovery program this school year.

Caltech tops best college buy list

NEW YORK (AP) — The \$18,816 tuition may seem pricey, but Money magazine says California Institute of Technology is the best college buy in the nation.

The reason? One teacher for every three students and an average of \$47,677 spent on each undergraduate — more than any other college in the United States and well above the national average of \$5,110.

Caltech also boasts 24 Nobel Prize-winning professors and alumni. And almost every member of its faculty has a doctorate, compared with a national average of 54 percent, Money reported Wednesday in naming the college the nation's best buy for the second

consecutive year.

Money analyzed 16 measures at 1,115 four-year colleges, including entrance exam results, faculty resources and deployment, library resources, instruction and student services, budgets, graduation rates, and default ratios on student loans.

The monthly magazine then compared that data with tuition and fees to reach a value rating and rank the top 150 colleges for its September issue.

Debating on the list at No. 9 was State University of New York at Geneseo, a liberal-arts oriented school that boasts small classes and individual attention.

Club to introduce students to humanities

By Maria Pierson
Waco Tribune-Herald

GROESBECK — In the downtown space where his grandfather and father had a dry goods store, Bill Bond talks authors, sells books and meanders through his collection of western art.

Now he hopes to bring his love for words, photography and painting to Limestone County high school students through the Navasota River Society, a new club established to encourage interest in the humanities.

"Our culture is Friday night football and my son worked his way through school playing ball and there's nothing wrong with it," Bond said.

But this program is meant to show high school students what else is out there, to "give 'em some attention and reward for interest aside from that that is so traditional in our high school system," Bond said.

Seniors in the program can compete for \$3,000 in college scholarship money.

All students in the society, freshman to seniors, will attend meetings once a month from September to May in Bond's store and read at least two books on topics dealing with Limestone County, Texas or the West.

A required project, also dealing with the county, state or the west, can range from a critique of a literary work, a preservation project or even an original short story.

Plans for the society jelled after scholarship money was donated by Mexia businessman Lynn Adams III. Teachers and local officials from the county judge to school

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— Bill Bond,
member of Navasota River Society

board members also gave their input.

"The good thing is, we want involvement of the community in the schools," said Wilbur Luce, principal of Groesbeck High School.

"This group of ladies and gentlemen have taken their interest and expertise. They would like to help our students and get students interested in history just like them," he said.

Bond hopes adults too will come to the meetings to provide guidance when the students need it.

Each society gathering will involve a presentation as well as time for discussion. Bond speaks enthusiastically of bringing in authors, actors and academics. Maybe even a musician, depending on students' interests.

"Once these students pick their subject, that's going to put me to work. I'd like to reward each one of them with something that's going to be special in their field," Bond said.

He's looking for real-life role

models more than stars.

"Someone that socioeconomically they may not be at the top of the ladder, but they're doing what they want to do. They're not rich, but they're happy and it's OK they're not rich," Bond said.

Maybe, says Limestone County Judge Elenor Holmes, this kind of thing will encourage someone to become a writer. Or just read more.

"I think it's going to stimulate some young minds maybe in a different direction than they have had experience in," Holmes said.

Tom Hawkins, editor and publisher of The Groesbeck Journal, sees an avenue for students to delve into oral history projects.

The impact of the society already shows at Mexia High School, which for the first time this year is offering a course on Limestone County History inspired, said guidance counselor Jeanie Brown, by the society's aims.

While officials speak of excitement and hope on the part of adults, "I don't know how many students will really do it," Hawkins said.

Bond is not looking for a crowd. "This won't be for everybody. This is not going to be for a whole lot of students," Bond said.

But the program's success isn't based on numbers.

"If I had two or three students that would hang in there, I would think it major victory."

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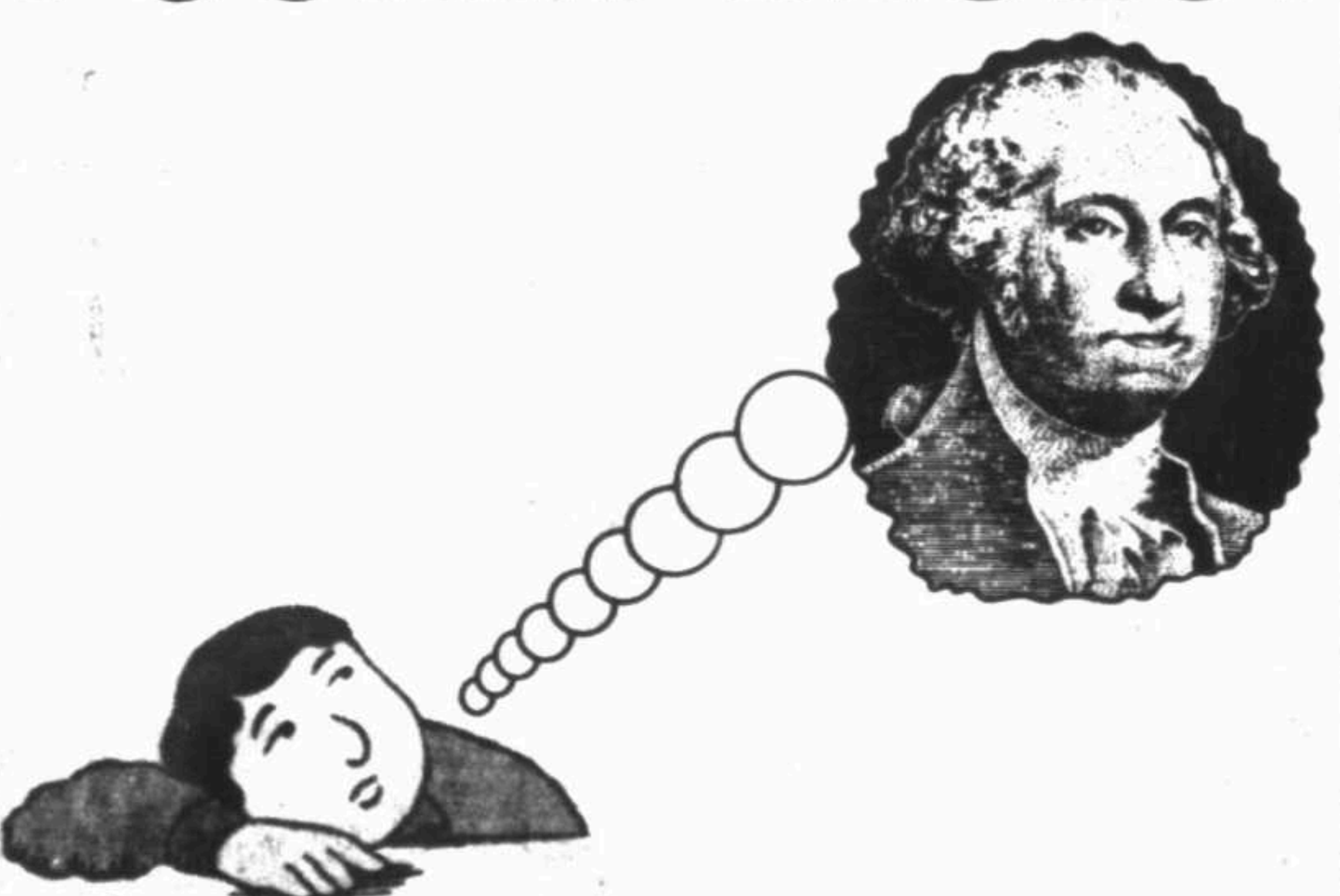
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Board of trustees meet

The Midland College Board of Trustees will meet in regular session 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, in the Gibson Board room of the Administration Building.

Commercial Driving Institute

Midland College will begin its Commercial Driving Institute Aug. 25. The three-week truck driving course is taught by MTA Schools through Midland College. Financial aid and placement assistance is available. The cost of the course is \$3,500. For more information, call 1-800-391-0777.

Radiography orientation

The Midland College radiography program will hold an informational orientation 7 p.m., Monday, August 18 in the lecture hall of the Davidson Family Health Sciences Building. For more information, call 685-4600.

Outdoor family concert

The Midland-Odessa Symphony will present a free "Outdoor Family Concert" on Midland College's Beal Plaza 8 p.m., Saturday, August 23. The public is invited to attend and bring blankets and lawn chairs.

Continuing Education

The following Continuing Education classes begin the week of Aug. 17:

Bottom Line Farming will be 1-7 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Aug. 18 through Aug. 29. Jack Scarbrough is the instructor.

Real Estate MCE will be 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23-24. Donna Gore is the instructor, and the fee is \$99. For more information about **Defensive Driving** courses, call 685-4518 or 560-2400, ext. 2806.

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Take note From Beethoven to Nashville classes let students make music

Country music has represented American culture for most of the 20th century and remain today a vibrant, effective expression of that culture according to Betty Morris, Midland College music instructor.

"However, just as our nation has changed through the years country music has also changed," she said.

To help students understand how country music, its lyrics, performers and songwriters function as a part of the American culture, Morris is offering two sections of the History of Country Music this fall.

The class examines English, Scottish and Irish ballads and identifies certain recurring themes in the music.

These themes are the focal point for the study of hillbilly, country, western, commercial, Nashville, bluegrass and contemporary styles of music.

"The course studies various types of country music and the unique way in which each expresses the American popular culture of the time," Morris said.

While a text provides the basic structure of the class, video and recorded material, along with live performances help create an informal atmosphere for this overview of country music.

"Country music is a lyrical music, and this course focuses on the poetry of the songs as well as the music," Morris said.

Designed for both the student in the community who wishes to pursue a special interest and for the general college student, this class satisfies the humanities and fine arts requirement for MC's general education core curriculum, Morris said.

The class is offered two times for the fall semester: 11-11:50 a.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 7-9:50 p.m. Tuesday.



Whether the student's goal is to perform Beethoven sonatas in a concert or to play favorite tunes at home, Midland College offers classes for the beginning pianist.

These classes offer the latest music technology that lets students in the same class progress at their own pace.

A piano lab has 14 full-size pianos for students, a teacher's piano, a Visualizer to assist students in the class and a library of materials for the student, Morris said.

The class accommodates students of different skill levels. For instance, advanced students may be interested in working on sight reading, ensemble playing and other special areas.

The lab lets students practice an individually assigned piece and well as participate in group activities. Because of diverse student interests, the class emphasizes the development of basic music reading at the piano.

Also, individual lessons are available for students who already have basic piano skills. The lessons take into consideration the student's particular musical interests and present levels of development as they encourage growth in the classical music tradition.

The students may schedule lessons times individually with the instructor, and Midland College provides practice rooms at no extra charge to the student.

This fall piano classes are offered 10-10:50 a.m. Monday and Wednesday and 5-6:50 p.m. Tuesday.

For information about piano classes or individual keyboard instruction, call Betty Morris 685-4644.

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Ceremony honors 39 Health Sciences graduates

■ Thirty-nine students were honored in annual graduation exercises for radiography, respiratory care and vocational nursing programs.

Students from three Midland College Health Sciences programs were honored in an annual graduation ceremony August 14 in the Allison Fine Arts Auditorium.

Students in the radiography program were awarded associate degrees in applied science. Students in the respiratory care program and the vocational nursing program received certificate degrees.

Radiography graduates are Ramiro D. Baiza, Jr., Gary W. Clayton, Sherry L. Campbell, Debra A. Daily, Becky A. Hatchett, Lillie G. Heredia, Christy Najera and Cindy A. Rodriguez.

Respiratory Care graduates are Kathleen Therese Carmody, Darwin D. Cavit, Richard Diaz, Warren R. Dill, John E. Fitch, Carla Jo Hodges, Mark Louis Inman, Jenny Marie Ledbetter and Dawn Hall Shafer.

Vocational Nursing graduates are Guadalupe R. Aguirre, Marsha Darlene Byerley, Kyung Cha, Martha V. Cordova, Connie Carol Elliott, Guadalupe R. Estrada, Blanca E. Gonzalez, Patricia E. Jones, Christopher Daniel Kelly, Dana Cheri Lazarine and Marina Manriquez Hernandez.

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Radiography faculty are: Quinn Carroll, RT, Program Director; William Heathman, RT, Clinical Director; Mitzi Barnett, RT; Chris Beasley, RT; Elizabeth Brown, RT; Becky Carter, RT; Lisa Ganus, RT; Loraine Hall, RT; Marlon Hughes, MD; Doug Humphrey, RT; Karen McCranie, RT; Jerry Pope, RT; Marge Putnam, RN; Donna Royce, RT; Beverly Sanches, RT; Kathy Sandberg, RT; Roberto Spencer, MD, and Melissa Subia, RT.

Respiratory Care faculty are: Robert Weidmann, R.R.T., Program Director; Stan Middleton, R.R.T., Clinical Director, and Sue Gordon, RRT, RC.

Vocational Nursing faculty are: Susan Jones, RN, Program Director; Jenny Ebensberger, RN; Linda Jordan, RN, and Margharita Watts, RN.

Health Sciences Division Chair is Nancy Shaw.

Elise Coombes is public relations director for Midland College.

MC expands services to students with installment plan for tuition

In response to a mandate by the state legislature, beginning this fall Midland College will offer a tuition and fee payment plan for students, according to Rick Bender, director of Accounting and Business Services.

The plan will allow students to pay tuition and fees on an "installment" plan through the semester in which they are enrolled instead of paying all charges at the beginning of each semester.

"This is a further expansion of the services offered by Midland College and made available to students," Bob Haines, assistant dean of Student Services, said. "This plan is another way in which to help students meet their educational goals, and we are pleased the state legislature has finally allowed us to offer this service."

Midland College is in the process of finalizing its own tuition and fee payment plan. By law, 50 percent of the total tuition and fees must be paid prior to the 12th class day—

Fall registration continues

Registration for fall classes continues at Midland College through Aug. 29. Class instruction begins Tuesday, Sept. 2. Late registration continues through Sept. 10.

No appointment or pre-registration is required to register at MC. Registration is in the Student Services office in the Scharbauer Student Center. Student Services hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-

Thursday through Aug. 14. Beginning Aug. 18, the college returns to regular 8 a.m.-5 p.m. hours Monday-Friday hours.

Thursday, Aug. 28, Student Services will extend registration hours from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Testing, financial aid, course and career counseling and job placement can all be handled at the same time.

For more information, call 685-4501.

with two payments of 25 percent each due prior to the sixth week and the 11th week of class.

The plan can only be offered for fall and spring semesters. Midland College will probably charge a \$20 fee to be on a payment plan, Bender said.

Until this legislative session, community

colleges were prohibited from offering tuition and fee payment plans, and students were responsible for paying full tuition and fees out of their own pockets or through scholarships or other financial aid by the 12th class day of each semester, according to Bender. Students who did not pay tuition and fees by the 12th class day were dropped from the class rolls.

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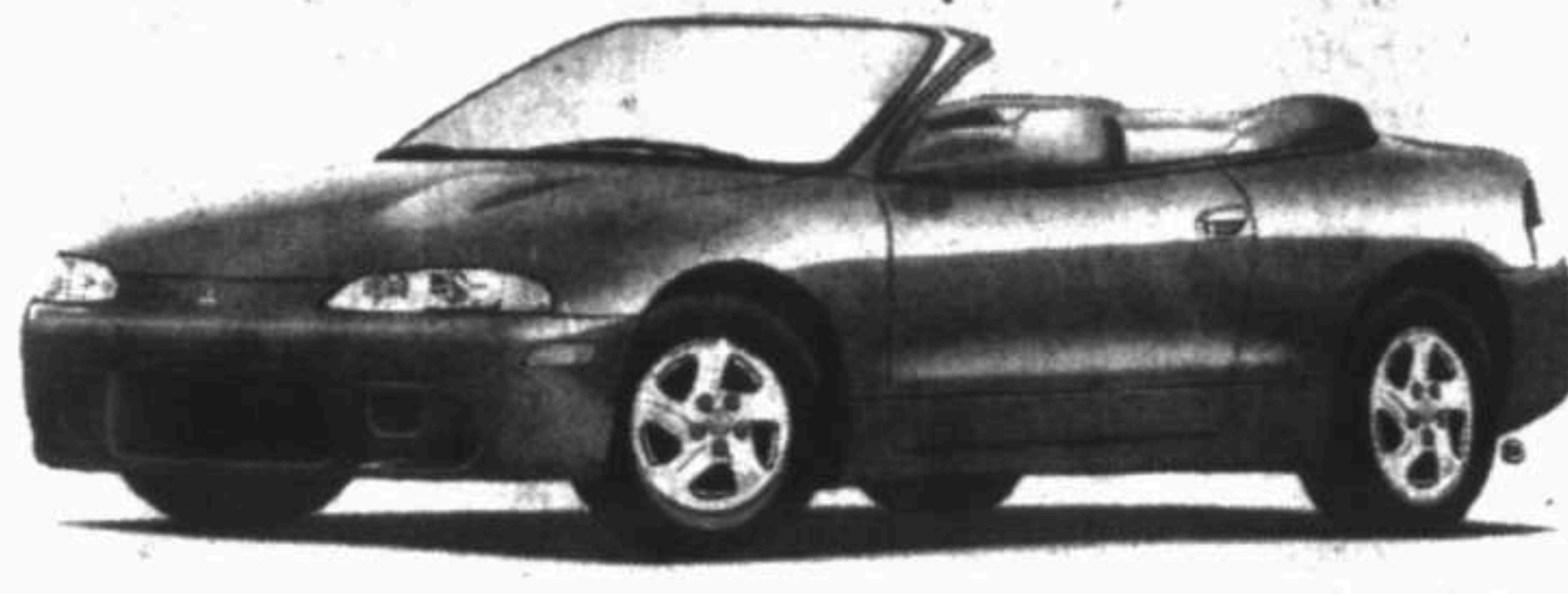


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401 E. Illinois, Suite 301, Midland TX 79701. E. O. E.

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- High School diploma or equivalent
- Valid Texas driver's license
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Controls Systems and electronic HVAC controls
- Familiar with rules, codes and regulations set forth by
local city codes and building codes
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management control systems or of related electronic
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- MISD requires Criminal History and Reference checks
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INDEPENDENT Oil and gas operator, seeking experienced to secretary office manager to replace retiring secretary. Good computer skills, lease records and land experience important. Some accounts payable, inventory records, checkbook balancing. Non smoker able to function in quiet setting. Submit resume PJ-3042, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

INSURANCE - IMMEDIATE opening available for Customer Service Representative. Part-time, hourly position with paid training. No experience necessary. Apply in person at Quicksurance, 426 Andrews Hwy, Midland or fax resume to 687-3318. EOE

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Seeking outgoing, dependable self-starter. Available to work from 10 - 6 pm in person at store in Midland Plaza, Loop 250 & Midkiff.

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Experienced maintenance person desired at Polo Park Apartments. Skills in A/C, Plumbing, Electrical and Painting/Drywall required. Apartment provided, Excellent medical and dental insurance benefits available. EOE

Apply in person at
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MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAN needed. Apply 602 N. Baird, Suite 200, Midland, Texas.

MARKET RESEARCH Field Supervisor. Established marketing research company in need of a self-motivating individual to supervise marketing research projects in the Midland/Odessa area. Part time, excellent position for individual who is well organized, detail oriented and able to supervise others. Previous marketing research experience is beneficial but not required. 915-550-9080.

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NEED Professional Security Officers to work the Midland/Odessa area. Full time, part time positions. Night work. Pay DOE. Call between 9 am - 5 pm, Monday-Friday, 520-3383.

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NOW ACCEPTING applications for crew members, daytime and evening shifts available. We are hiring car-hops, cooks and counter help. Good wages, great working conditions and flexible schedules. Please apply in person, Sonic Drive in 1109 N. Midkiff.

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RESTAURANT - La Mison now hiring enthusiastic experienced waitstaff and Hosts/Hostesses. Apply in person, 4410 N. Midkiff.

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The qualified candidate should possess 3-5 years minimum experience as a Human Resources Generalist. Individual will be a member of the Senior Management team and must be computer literate and have a working knowledge of employment laws, compensation, insurance benefits, and personnel policy development. Ability to work in a fast paced environment and handle a heavy workload required. Healthcare experience preferred.

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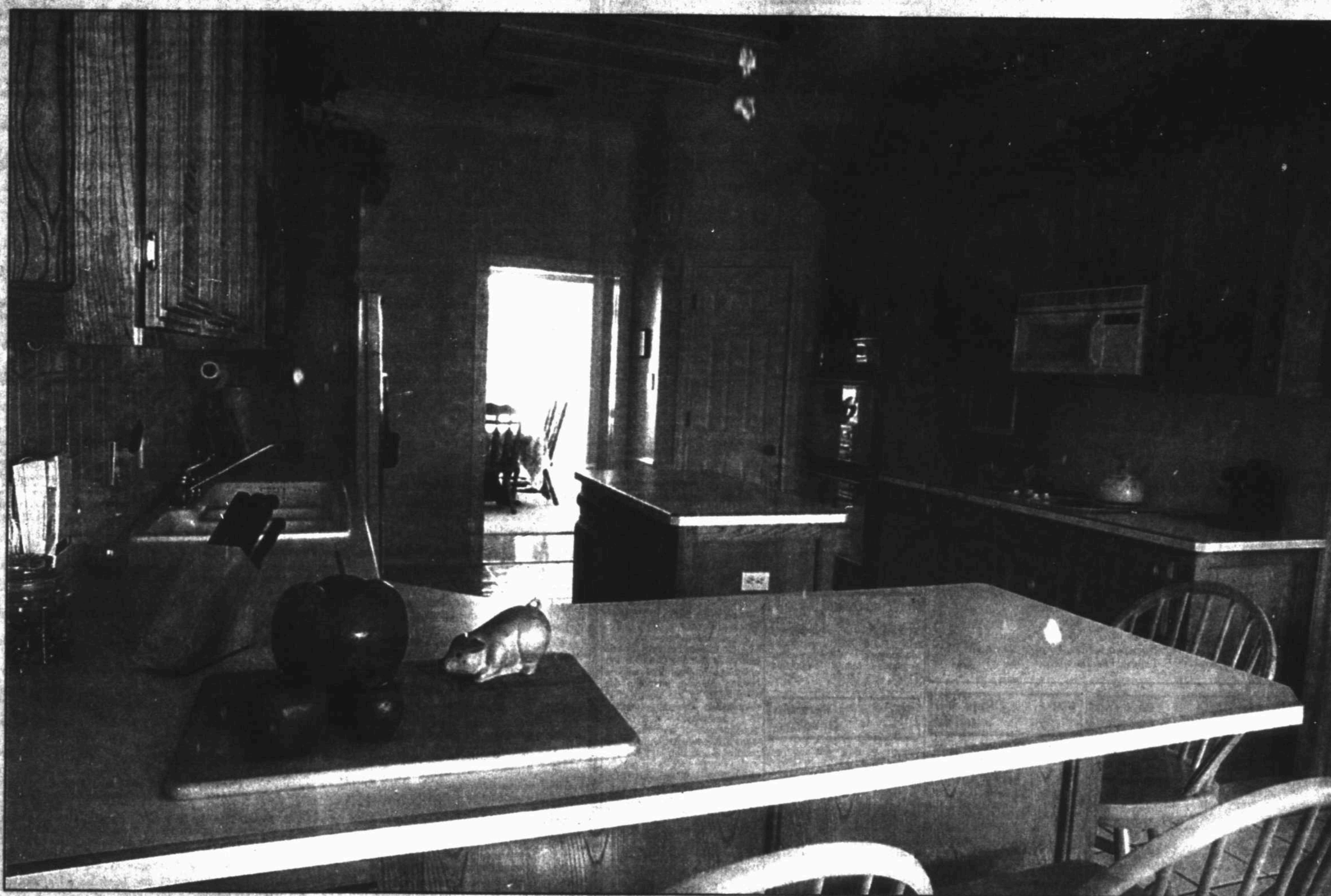
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HOMES & CLASSIFIED

Midland Reporter-Telegram
Sunday, August 17, 1997

Fashionable, chic and totally elegant



4 108 Fox Hollow Court is likely to be the dream home for many of Midland's ardent house hunters. With five bedrooms and four bathrooms and a sumptuous rear garden there is masses of space for a large family as well as entertaining on a lavish scale.

From the moment one steps through the covered entrance way with its elegant hardwood floors it is patently obvious that this is a home of extraordinary character. Each and every room has something to offer in terms of classic features; whether it is plantation shutters, built-in bookcases and a fireplace in the formal living room or beautiful crown molding in the dining room.

Perhaps the most interesting rooms in the

house, which is listed at \$229,900, are the kitchen and the master bathroom. Both of these are part of suites and both are equipped to the highest standard.

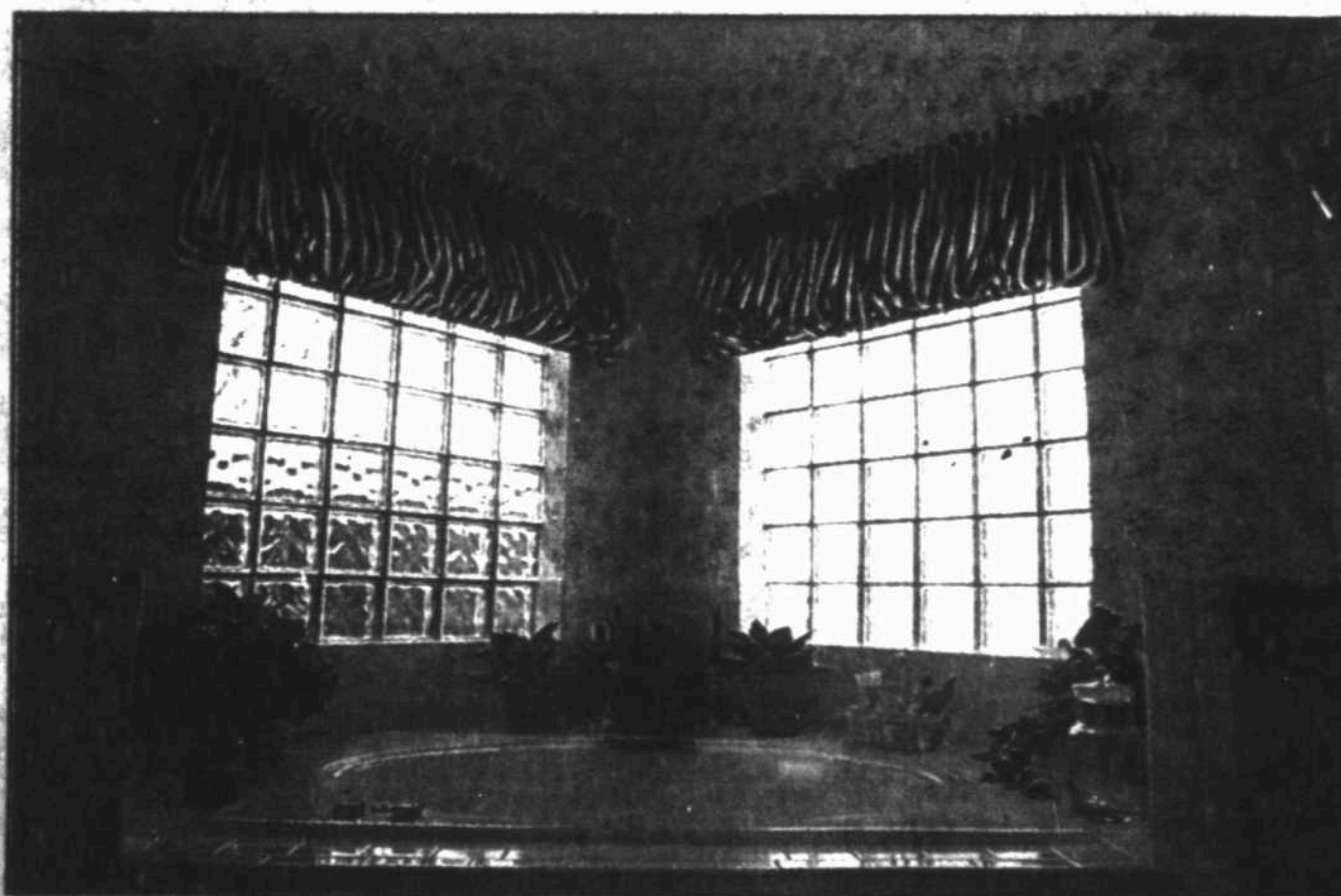
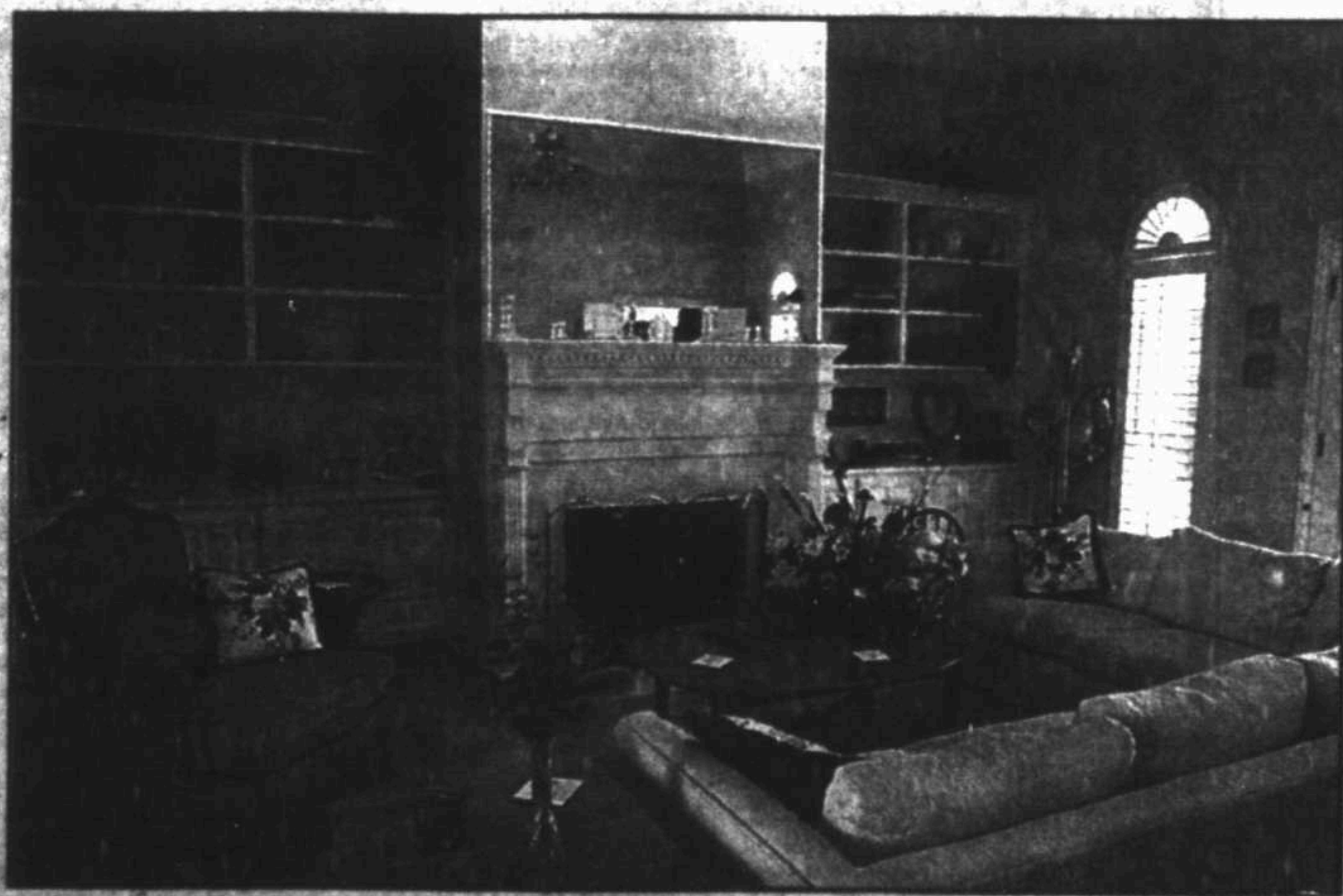
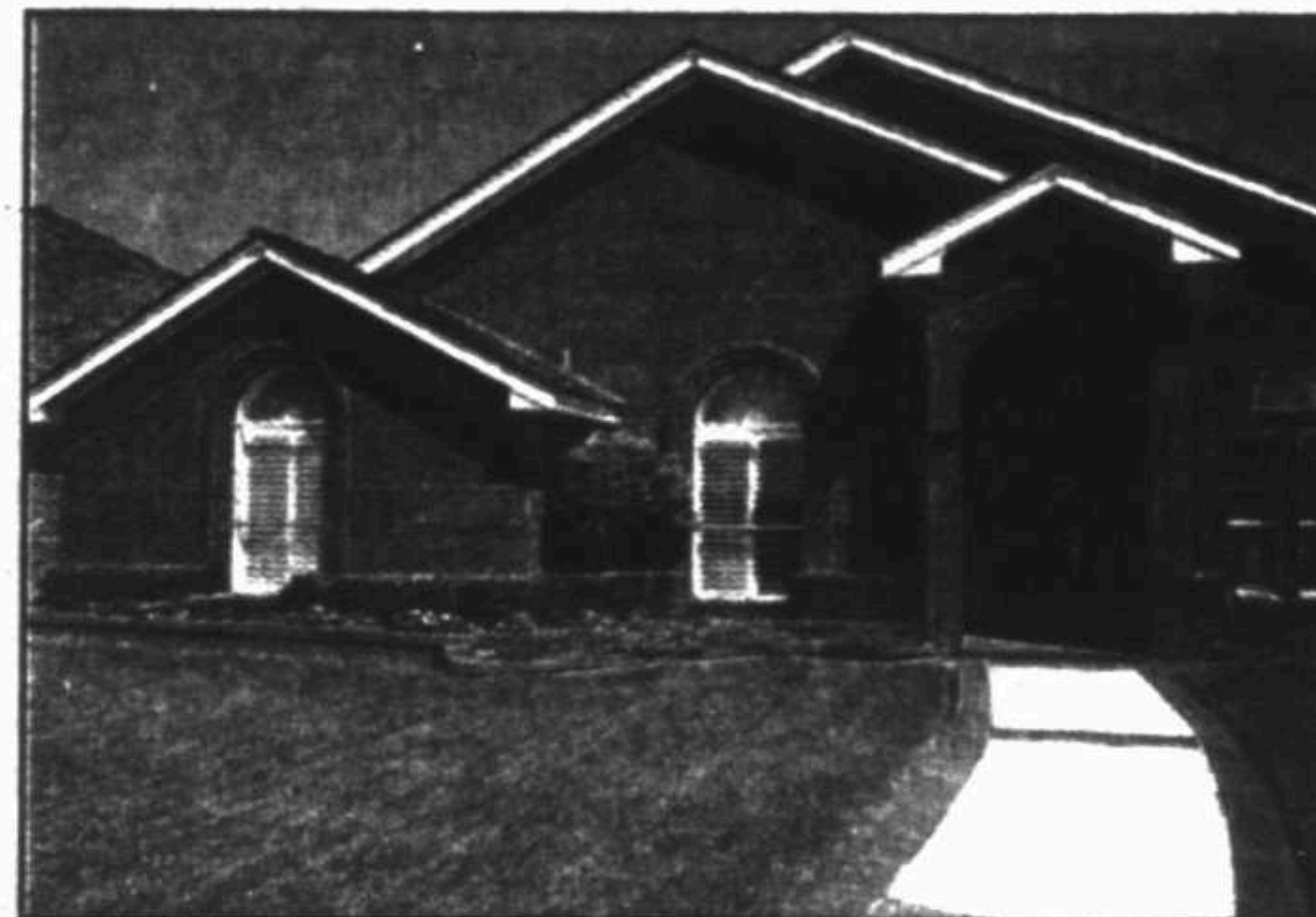
For example, the master bathroom offers an incredible whirlpool tub recessed into the corner. A light and bright room thanks to the large glass block windows above the tub, this is a truly elegant as well as practical room thanks to the separate shower, his and her vanities and tons of storage space.

The kitchen forms the center of a suite of rooms that incorporates a breakfast room, utility room and home office area. Fully equipped with every amenity that one could ever need - including a triple sink and a central work island

- this is a work area fit for even the finest of gourmet chefs.

In keeping with the theme of fine dining and entertaining the back garden is simply perfect for wonderful parties. Large, spacious and sensibly decked throughout it offers a whole host of planters, mature trees and shrubs as well as a deep, covered patio. The quality landscaping extends through to the front of the house which has great drive-up appeal thanks to its gabled roof and multitude of flowers.

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SELLING YOUR HOME

Could you sell your home by yourself? Of course you could," says Kay Sutton, owner of Kay Sutton, Realtors. "Whether you should or will, however, is a whole different matter."

Homeowners attempting to sell their homes without the help of a professional generally do so to save the commission fee, which may or may not pay off.



Sutton

Prospective buyers commonly submit lower offers knowing the seller does not have to pay a commission.

Before attempting to sell your own home, ask yourself these questions:

- Do you have sufficient knowledge to sell your own home -- market conditions and recent sales of similar homes in your area?
- Are you prepared to pay months of advertising costs and be available to handle calls?
- Are you informed about FHA, VA, PMI and other financing methods?
- Do you have a network of contacts to produce potential buyers?
- Are you able to screen out unqualified prospects -- people who are just curious?
- Are you comfortable inviting in strangers who stop by at 9:00 p.m. because they saw your sign?

• Are you available seven days a week to show your home? Buyers will expect you to be available at their convenience, not yours.

• Do you have good negotiating skills? Will you be comfortable haggling face-to-face over the price?

• Will you be ready to reveal known defects of your home and do you know what you are required, by law, to reveal?

• Can you write a binding contract? Do you have forms readily available? Do you have a lawyer to advise you on essential terms that must be in the contract?

• Can you close a sale?

If you can confidently answer "yes" to all these questions, you probably could sell your own home.

Most homeowners recognize the wisdom in working with a trained, licensed professional to handle the many complex details of home sale.

Mistakes can be costly -- mistakes a real estate professional can easily avoid.

Mrs. Sutton poses one final question for homeowners considering marketing their own homes: "Whether you're an accountant or a zoologist (or anything in between) do you think it's reasonable for someone with no training or expertise to do your job?"

Contact a local Realtor to assist with any of your real estate needs.

(Story submitted by Kay Sutton, owner of Kay Sutton, Realtors)

POST-SALES REMORSE

What is it? Regardless of how well the sale of a house goes, there is always an emotional undertow on both sides of the deal. Usually this will happen right after a deal is struck, but it can happen at any time between signing and closing. Buyers and Sellers feel similar emotions, but from different sides.



Pine

Buyer's remorse involves feeling that they have paid too much for a property, or taken on more debt and financial obligations than they can afford. They may stay awake worrying whether or not they'll be able to take a vacation again.

Sellers on the other hand often regret selling their home, their castle, particularly, if they haven't found a new home as planned. Also, a Seller may find out later

that he/she could have got more money for the property.

Feeling that you have let your property go for less than its true value can keep you awake running the deal in your mind, wondering what you could have done to come out ahead. Seller's remorse is often more complicated than Buyer's remorse. The Seller may be emotionally confused or distraught at the thought of leaving their home, while at the same time, worrying whether or not they sold their home for the best possible price available.

What can be done to alleviate Seller's remorse? There is no quick answer to this. The Seller has to remember why he/she is selling and what the home is really worth. If they start believing their broker's marketing efforts, they may start thinking that the home is worth more than it actually is. Also, the Seller needs to be emotionally separated from the home to realize that he/she is actually moving.

(This article submitted by Norma Pine, owner of Chaparral Realtors)

SO YOU WANT TO SELL FAST

Sometimes it becomes necessary to sell a home in a hurry. Maybe you have taken a new job in another city, and you want the whole family there with you. Here are some of the things you can do to accomplish it:

- Price your house a little below the asking price of other houses like it. When houses of the same general quality are for sale, the ones with the lowest prices usually sell first.
- Make your property look better than those competing with it.
- Give a decorating allowance to prospective buyers.
- Offer financial help by buying down the

mortgage rate. The lower rate enables more buyers to qualify, and the payments are lower -- advantages that offset the slightly higher price the buydown lets you ask for the house.

- Offer financial incentives, such as financing the loan yourself, to get a buyer who might not otherwise qualify. This could be a good investment for you, too.
- Use a good real estate professional who knows the market and will work well for you. Good agents frequently have contacts with out-of-town buyers, and they work with other agents to find buyers. If you're moving out of town, a good agent can also put you in touch with an agent in your new community, and thus help ease your move. Keep in mind that a good real estate pro can sell your home even though you may have already moved to another city.

(This article was submitted by Danny Norwood, GRI as sales associate with Langston Realtors.)

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LLOYD HOMER BROWN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of LLOYD HOMER BROWN, Deceased, were issued to EDA FAYE BROWN, the Independent Executor, on the 18th day of July, 1997, in the proceedings indicated below my signature, which is still pending, and this said person now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate which is being administered in the County named below are hereby required to present the same to the undersigned at the address given below before suit upon same is barred by the general Statutes of Limitation before said Estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

EDA FAYE BROWN, Independent Executor of the Estate of LLOYD HOMER BROWN, DECEASED, Cause No. P11890 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas 79701

LEGAL NOTICE

Midland College is now accepting sealed bids for Custodial Supplies. Specifications may be picked up in the Midland College Accounting & Business Services Office, Monday through Thursday, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. Bids will be accepted no later than 10:00 am, Tuesday, August 19, 1997 at which time they will be read aloud. Bids should be addressed to Rick Bender, Director of Accounting & Business Services, Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, Texas 79705. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted.

NO. FM32-779

IN THE INTEREST OF SHEREICKA STARLING, DSH, STARLING AND CHRISTOPHER STARLING MINOR CHILDREN

IN THE 318TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

STATE OF TEXAS CITATION BY PUBLICATION

TO: Elmo Starling, Respondent(s):

"You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, Petitioner, was filed in the County of Midland County, Texas, on the 8th day of August, 1997, against Elmo Starling and Carla Starling, Respondents, numbered FM 32-779, and entitled 'In the Interest of SHEREICKA Starling, DSH, STARLING AND CHRISTOPHER STARLING, children.' The suit requests Partitioning in Services. The date and place of birth of the children who are the subject of the suit are: a female child, born 9/10/82 in Odessa, Texas; a male child, born 11/23/83 in Odessa, Texas; and a male child, born 10/21/85 in Odessa, Texas.

The Court has authority in this suit to render an Order in the children's interests that will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to children's adoption.

"Issued and given under my hand and seal of the Court at Midland, Midland County, Texas, on the 12th day of August, 1997.

VIVIAN WOOD, Clerk of the District Court of Midland County, Texas

By Michelle Inglish, Deputy"

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT SYSTEM.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 11, 1997.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "PROPOSAL #292-073097 ENCLOSED"

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED PROPOSALS FROM RESPONDENTS BE ACCEPTED.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL DECEMBER 28, 1997.

ALL PROPOSALS WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL AFTER THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS MET AND VOTED AN AWARD OFFEROR THEN BE ALLOWED TO REVIEW THE PROPOSALS IN THE PURCHASING OFFICE ACCORDING TO THE POLICY/PROCEDURE OF MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER. HOSPITAL DISTRICT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS, TO WAIVE FORMALITIES AND/OR ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL DEEMED THE BEST FOR THE HOSPITAL.

DIRECTOR OF MATERIALS MANAGEMENT MIDLAND COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER 220 WEST ILLINOIS MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MIDLAND
BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED August 5, 1997, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Midland County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinbefore numbered styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on August 5, 1997, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September, 1997 the same being the 2nd day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Midland, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the county of Midland and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. STYLING DEFENDANTS AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

T-3008 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. ARC Truck & Auto Body Repair, Inc., Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, successor in interest to Western State Bank/Midland, Lienholder (In Rem Only), United States of America through its agency and instrumentality, Small Business and Administration, Lienholder (In Rem Only), the Internal Revenue Service, Lienholder (In Rem Only) and Independence Mortgage, Inc. Lots 5 and 6, Block D, K & C Industrial Place, Section One, (2700 W. Francis Ave.), Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 737, Page 775, Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-5779 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Danny Merriman, Denise Owens and Deanna Strah Lot 2, Block 97, Wilshire Park 2nd Addition, (4711 Thompson), Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 690, Page 495 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-7141 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Alymera Foy, Beulah May Battle, Mary Thomas (In Rem Only) and Unknown heirs to the Estate of Alymera Foy, deceased Lot 12, Block 31, Moody Addition, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 603, Page 131 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-2170 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Gavilla O. Salgado Lot 15, Block 1, Progress park Addition, (109 E. Nobles), Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 611, Page 5 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-7316 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Concrete, Incorporated and Snyder Savings and Loan Association, Lienholder (In Rem Only) .53 Acre out of the Southwest fourth of Section 33, Block 39-T1S, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 633, Page 12 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

Lot 17, Block 4 of the Lynside Addition, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 93 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

.85 Acre out of the Southwest fourth of Section 33, Block 39-T1S, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 632, Page 608 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

Lot 87, Block 3 of the Skyview Development, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 632, Page 598 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

3.35 Acres out of the Northwest fourth of Section 4, Block 39-T2S, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 633, Page 12 and in part in Volume 632, Page 603 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

3.45 Acres out of the Northwest fourth of Section 4, Block 39-T2S, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 652, Page 97 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

2.95 Acres out of the Northwest fourth of Section 4, Block 39-T2S, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 633, Page 12 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-7582 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Corinne Salazar and Jesse Briones, Jr. North 45 feet of the Southwest 1/4 Block 13, Original Townsite, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 973, Page 586 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-7943 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Fred Allison, Heir to the Estate of Gregory Allison, Deceased, Ivy Allison, Heir to the Estate of Gregory Allison, Deceased and Dan Emfinger, Lienholder (In Rem Only) 5.66 Acres out of the Northeast one fourth of Section 44, Block 39 of the T-2-S, T & P RR Co Survey, (3600 South Co. Road 1210), Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 1099, Page 153 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

T-7889 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Henry Mitchell, Jr., Harriet R. Mitchell and Billie Jean Mitchell Lot 16, Block 4, Ranchland Hills Addition (1617 Maple) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 566, Page 667 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8013 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. The Oxford Finance Companies, Inc. Lot 8, Block 31, Greenwood Addition (609 S. Calhoun) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 611, Page 799 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8035 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Carl Lewis, Jr., Jacqueline Lewis, Bobbie Morris, Robert M. Lewis, May Helen Williams, Ruby Fletcher, Francis Glass, Unknown Heirs of Jerry Lewis, Deceased, Helen Blue, Kathleen Lewis and Theodore Lewis Lot 2, Block 13, Greenwood Addition (402 S. Benton) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 402, Page 588 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8045 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Nations Bank of Texas, N.A. formerly known as NCNB Texas National Bank and Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) as successor in interest to NCNB Texas National Bank 2 Acres out of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Block 39, T-2-S, to the City of Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 1015, Page 375 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8047 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Benchmark Professional Group, Inc., a defunct Texas corporation, Unknown Shareholders of Benchmark Professional Group, Inc., a defunct Texas Corporation (In Rem Only), Fred E. Fuller (In Rem Only), Michelle Fuller (In Rem Only), Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in its corporate capacity as liquidator of Cove State Bank in Coppas Cove, Texas, Lienholder (In Rem Only), and Federal Debt Management, Inc., Lienholder (In Rem Only) 44.44 Acres, more or less, out of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 7, Block 39, T-2-S, being described on the tax roll as a 31.014 Acre tract and a 13.43 Acre Tract being that property more particularly described in Volume 1019, Page 145 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8053 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Joan Lavon Woolsey Lot 1, Block 10, South Park Addition, City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being more particularly described in Volume 1049, Page 435 and Volume 1092, Page 553 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8084 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. James H. Lister, Individually and DBA Jim's Pitt Stop, Mary Sue Lister, Kevin T. Lister and United States of America through its agency and instrumentality, the Internal Revenue Service, Lienholder (In Rem Only) Lot 5, Block 61, of the Moody Addition, City of Midland, Midland County, being more particularly described in Volume 173, Page 70 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

Lot 19, Block 57 of the Park Avenue Heights Addition to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 739, Page 286 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

T-8170 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. L.S. Jackson, Jr., Robert Mathis and Mary Mathis Lot 11, Block 60, Moody Addition to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 529, Page 162 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

T-8223 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Emilio Sanchez, Esperanza Sanchez and Juan Sanchez West half of Lots 7 through 9, Block 187, Southern Addition (201 E. Dakota) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 704, Page 612 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8247 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Jim Wilmes DBA Action Wrecker Service, The United States of America through its agency and instrumentality, the Internal Revenue Service, Lienholder (In Rem Only), JMW Resources, Inc., Lienholder (In Rem Only), State of Texas, Texas Employment Commission, Lienholder (In Rem Only), Edin-Walcher Company, Lienholder (In Rem Only), Pittencriff Communications, Inc., dba A & B Electronics, Lienholder (In Rem Only) and Texas Commerce Bank National Association, formerly known as United Bank, N.A., Lienholder (In Rem Only) Lot 1, Block 91, Permian Estates, Section 2, (1109 South Midland Drive), Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 1253, Page 686 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

T-8259 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Ruben Jimenez, Jr., Leonard L. Jones, Lienholder (In Rem Only) and Lola Mae Jones, Lienholder (In Rem Only) The West 5 feet of Lot 19 and the East 20 feet of Lot 20, Block 19, Gardens Addition (2512 West Ohio Avenue) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 1058, Page 543 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

T-8265 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. City Transfer & Storage, Inc. and Nations Bank of Texas, N.A., Lienholder (In Rem Only) Lots 1, 2 and the East 11.6 feet of Lot 3, Block 4 of the Hines Addition (2107 West Florida Avenue) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 653, Page 58 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8312 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Edward B. Carter 0.11719 A. A Bradford Estate "B" Lease, Block 39, Township 3 South, Section 14, OPERATOR: TEXACO INC., Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 679, Page 582 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

.004395 A. I. G O Tenner Lease, Block 39, Township 3 South, Section 3, OPERATOR: TEXACO INC., Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 760, Page 143 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8391 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Permian Reproduction Company, Inc., a Texas Corporation Lot 11, Block 26, Original Townsite of the City of Midland, (310 N. Colorado), Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 932, Page 582 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8421 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Matt Ellis Lot 1, Block 2, Alamo Heights Addition (900 Gold Drive) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 715, Page 586 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

T-8484 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. Lindon H. Brown Lot 4, Block 47 Moody Addition (406 South Madison) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 1074, Page 288 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

T-8542 Midland Central Appraisal District vs. C.M. Knott and Tex Mex Meter Service Lot 1 (29,289.82 feet), Tract 1, Stockard Acres AKA part of Lot 1, Block 1, Hines Addition (1901 W. Industrial Avenue) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 785, Page 452 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

Lot 5, Block 6, Hines Addition (1906 Rhode Island Avenue) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 707, Page 652 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

Lot 8, Block 6, Hines Addition (1900 Rhode Island Avenue) to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 785, Page 448 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants of their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgments for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgments for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED August 5, 1997, at Midland, Texas.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
MIDLAND/ODESSA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Petitioner,
V.
ONE 1991 CHEVROLET SILVERADO
PICKUP TRUCK
VIN: 2GCEC19H4M1168505, Respondent

CIVIL ACTION NO. M097CA096

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT FOR
FORFEITURE AND ARREST OF PROPERTY

To any and all claimants of, in, or to the Respondent Property which is the subject of this action, NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT:

- A Verified Complaint for Forfeiture has been filed in this Court on 5-23-97, by the United States Attorney for the Western District of Texas, against the Respondent One 1991 Chevrolet Silverado Pickup Truck, VIN: 2GCEC19H4M1168505, hereinafter referred to as the "Respondent Property", for violations of Title 21 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 861(a) (4).
- An Order has been entered by the United States District Court that a Warrant for Arrest be issued as prayed for by the Petitioner, United States of America.
- A Warrant for Arrest was issued by the Clerk of the court commanding me, or other authorized law enforcement officer or any other person or organization authorized by law to enforce the warrant, to arrest the Respondent Property described above and take it into my possession for safe custody as provided by Title 28 U.S.C. Rule E (4) (b) of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims, until further order of the Court, and to make my return as provided by law, and said Warrant for Arrest has been executed.
- I was further ordered to cause publication of Public Notice as required by Title 28 U.S.C. Rule C (4) of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims, Fed. R. Civ. P., to be made not less than once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in the Sunday edition of a newspaper regularly issued and of general circulation in Midland, Midland County, Texas.
- ANY CLAIMANT OF, IN OR TO SAID RESPONDENT PROPERTY MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK of the United States District Court, Western District of Texas, Midland/Odessa Division within ten (10) days from the date of last publication of this notice and any such claimant shall serve an answer within twenty (20) days after the filing of the claim, as provided by Title 28 U.S.C., Rule C (6) of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims, Fed. R. Civ. P.
- ANY INDIVIDUAL OR PARTY WHO IS PERSONALLY SERVED with Notice of Complaint for Forfeiture and Arrest of Property in this Cause, however, shall file a claim within ten (10) days after such service has been executed, and shall serve an answer within twenty (20) days after the filing of the claim, as provided by Title 28 U.S.C. Rule C (6) of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims, Fed. R. Civ. P.

SIGNED this 3rd day of June, 1997.

GREG DEWEY for JACK DEAN
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PROPERTIES FOR LEASE
AS OF AUGUST 17, 1997

ADDRESS	BDRM	BATH	MONTHLY	SECURITY
4003 AVONDALE	2	1	\$425.00	\$300.00
4412 A THOMASON	2	2	\$425.00	\$250.00
2315 SIESTA	2	1	\$425.00	\$300.00
4515 WILSHIRE	3	2	\$450.00	\$450.00
700 GRAY	3	2	\$600.00	\$600.00
3213 SHANDON	3	2	\$650.00	\$700.00
3808 FANNIN	3	2	\$700.00	\$700.00
3527 SHANDON	3	2	\$700.00	\$700.00
4508 SPENCE	3	2	\$750.00	\$750.00
4505 CLOUDCROFT	3	2	\$750.00	\$750.00
6301 DRIFTWOOD	5	4	\$1800.00	\$1000.00

640 Condo Townhome Unfurnished. FAIRGATE Townhomes: 4400 Fairgate Drive. 2 & 3 Bedrooms 12 and 6 month leases. \$700 a up. 1,600 sq ft. Approx. All appliances furnished, fireplaces, garage. Northwest side. 697-9566

655 Mobile Homes Unfurnished
3 BEDROOM 2 bath on Cloverdale. Water furnished. \$325/ \$150 deposit. No pets. 694-2047.

660 Mobile Home Space for Rent
LOOK AT THE REST- THEN CHOOSE THE BEST
Move-in special
AIRLINE MOBILE HOME PARK
Between Midland & Int'l Airport
West Hwy 80. 694-2534

COUNTRY LIVING at nice mobile home park. Large fenced yard/ trash. \$97.50 month plus water. No vicious dogs please. 687-6324.

COUNTRY VILLAGE Mobile Home Estates. Clean, paved streets. Large trees in each lot. Paid water/trash. 1st 3 months free. 694-1120. 3401 SCR 1223 1/2.

MOVE-IN SPECIAL \$39-1 year, normally \$125-2. Driveways- paved, security fence. 563-3510. 550-7505.

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Approximately 5,000 feet on Andrews Highway \$1,500 per month. 682-3850 Monday thru Friday.

OFFICE/ Warehouse Space for rent. Village area. 310 Secor, utilities paid. \$500 per month. 683-2926 or 683-4670.

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LEGAL NOTICE
The Board of Directors of Region 18 Education Service Center will hold a public hearing concerning the adoption of the Official Budget for the 1997-98 fiscal year in the Board Room, Region 18 SC, 2811 LeFlore Blvd., Midland, Texas, on August 18, 1997, at 6:00 P.M. on August 18, 1997.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District is requesting sealed bids for Door Additions to Midland Senior High School Gymnasium. Bid #SM-0002 addressed to: Mr. James Riggan, AIA, Director of School Plant Services, Building #1, 801 South Moran, Midland, Texas 79701 will be received until 3:30 pm CST, August 20, 1997, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915)688-1505.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
1997/98 CITY OF MIDLAND BUDGET
Notice is hereby given that the Mayor and City Council will conduct a public hearing at 11:12 A.M. on Tuesday, August 18, 1997, in the City Hall Council Chamber located at 300 North Lorraine. The public hearing is for the purpose of allowing the public and other interested groups to make comments regarding the 1997/98 City of Midland Budget.

600 Rooms for Rent
LARGE BEDROOM with private entrance, refrigerated air, bills paid, mature adult, non smoker. 682-5405.

GREENTREE- PRIVATE, downstairs, modern, security system. Perfect for College Student/ others. \$300- \$350 monthly. 689-8893.

1 BEDROOM APARTMENT. Bills paid. No pets. 694-8793.

1210 COLLEGE: one room apartment. \$250 monthly. \$75 deposit. Bills paid. Inquire rear apartment C.

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SWEET & SINGLE
Single black female enjoys reading, movies, dancing, concerts, and dining out. Seeking honest, truthful, dependable, single black male, financially stable, who enjoys children and social gatherings. For relationship. #5344

SEEKING SPECIAL FRIEND
Single white female. 54. brown/brown, new to area, enjoys dancing, bingo, travel, quiet evenings at home, tv, popcorn, cooking, and walks. Seeking single white male. 50+, with similar interests. For friendship. #5283

TIERED OF LOOKING
Black female. 47. 5'8". brown/brown, good shape, look younger, enjoys exercise, travel, plays/moves, seeks white/black male. 46-50, non-smoker/drinker, honest, kind, very romantic, for friendship/relationship. #5284

SPOIL ME, PLEASE
Single white female. 51. seeks gentleman who likes to spoil and pamper his woman. I enjoy quiet times and cooking for you. Hate parties and crowds, non-drinker, non-smoker. #5287

HEART-TO-HEART
Single white female. 22. seeks single white male. 23-40, for friendship and more. I'm tired of all the games and lies and interested in a serious relationship. #5183

NEW MEXICO COWGIRL
Divorced white female. 44. blonde/green, looking for tall, single white cowboy. 35-50, who enjoys country music and dancing, rodeos, horses, movies, children, mountains. Friendship or relationship. Terry, leave your number! #5229

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
Single white female. 50. 5'5". 130lbs. compassionate, degraded. pretty. Seeking kind, honest, assertive, slim single white male. 48-58. #5231

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ALL SIZES and types of properties. Office, Warehouse, Retail. 800 to 40,000 square feet. 683-8681.

DOWNTOWN Office Space. Individual room or suites from \$65/month. No extra charges. 682-3400.

OFFICE RECEPTION area and storage space. Covered parking at door. 683-6952.

1-2-3 ROOM OFFICES. Bills paid Downtown. Park at door. Call Don Roderick, Langston Realtors, 685-0400.

4313 W. ILLINOIS. 2400 sq. ft. retail space, formerly Daniels Kung Fu, lease negotiable, 689-7107.

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750 - 1,500 Square feet, office, warehouse, secured yard, overhead door, heat and air. 683-5697, 520-8666 or 682-4789.

OFFICE WAREHOUSE space for lease. 800 to 40,000 Square Feet. Some with fenced yards. 683-8681.

675 Recreation Resort

RUIDOSO Cabins, Houses, Condos - nightly, weekly. Some with hot tubs. Don Harmon, Four Seasons Real Estate, 800-822-7654.

RUIDOSO CABIN in Forest. 3 Bedroom, 3 bath, very nice. No pets. 684-3277.

FOR RENT: Ruidoso Cabin on river. Call 687-1212 for more information.

RUIDOSO 3 bedroom - 2 bath and 2 bedroom - 2 bath. Very nice, completely furnished. No pets. 687-1337.

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685 Hunting Leases

BIRD LEASES. Large ranches, Andrews, Crane, Ector, Shottone only. Doves, Quail, Duck. Call Eben Warner, 508 N. Jackson, Odessa, 915-580-6955 days, 366-4292 evenings.

685 Hunting Leases

DOVE Hunting: north of Big Spring. Managed grain fields. Guides furnished. Birds cleaned. D & B Hunting, 915-353-4788 Mobile, 915-270-4788 Pager, 915-268-5531.

MUST SELL - Briarwood, 14 x 60 Mobile home, spacious living room. Appliances included. Possible owner finance. \$7,600. O. B. O., (915)658-5039.

DOVE HUNTING for responsible groups. Sunflowers and water. 40 miles southeast of Midland. Call (915)397-2302, (915)270-4502.

DOVE LEASE, St. Lawrence area, sunflowers. Call 354-2557 or 634-7901 for more information.

DE-SNAKING Clinic, August 23. Sensitize your dog to avoid snakes, requires only 15-20 minutes. 687-8128 (days) or 687-4274 (evenings) for more information.

BIG MULE DEER/Whitetail/Javalina/Turkey/Quail - 1 hour south Upton/Grane \$850/Hunter- 520-4348.

WANTED: Deer Lease, 2500 acres or larger. James Morris, 915-556-5994.

160 ACRES. Quail & Dove. Close to town. Please Call 520-0189 after 5 pm.

SEASON LEASE, \$600 per hunter, 5 sections. Deer and Turkey. Call after 6 pm, ask for Billy, 563-0752.

SEASON DOVE Lease. St. Lawrence area, 12 miles southwest of Garden City. Sunflower fields and water tanks. (915)354-2282.

DOVE LEASE, \$100 per gun for the season, 12 miles from Midland, 682-4624.

"HUNTING BUDDY SPECIAL!" Buy one - Get one free! For more information call The West Texas Sportsman Club at 561-9379.

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\$999 DOWN - 4 bedrooms, 2 living areas, 2 baths, doublewide, loaded! 9.9% APR fixed. 360 months. \$501 per month. Oakwood Homes, Midland. Call toll free 1-888-881-7299.

79 CAMEO 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Lots New Financing available. \$16,250. Call 520-8111.

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USED 3 BEDROOMS! SUPER-NICE! TRADE-INS! Finance Co. Repo Sacrifices! Many with wood siding, shingle roof, fireplaces. Starting at \$145 monthly, \$800 down, 10% APR. 240 months with approved credit. Also CLEARANCE SALE on new single & doublewides! No credit, good credit, come see the credit specialists! 90% approval rate.

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CLOSE OUT Sale on 1997 models. New exclusive floorplans. Hurry in for best pick of these homes. USA Homes, 4608 W. Wall, Midland, TX. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16th. Lender on site. Guaranteed approvals. Lowest interest on all homes. Low prices! Huge inventory. No credit. Bad credit. No problem! Don't miss this opportunity! 1-800-520-2177, 520-2177. USA Homes, 4608 W. Wall, Midland.

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NEW 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, 16 x 76 equipped, not stripped for \$499 down. Bring your family to Oakwood Homes, Midland, 9.9% APR fixed, 300 months \$412, per month. Call toll free 1-888-881-7299.

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\$999 DOWN on a new 18' wide 3 bedroom, 2 bath! Where? Oakwood Homes, Midland. Call toll free 1-888-881-7299.

VENDRE PRONTO! Vamos alener unbanquero aqui. Aprobacion garantida. Redito interes mas bajo de todos. No credito o mal credito no hay problema. Iven para acá por el mejor oportunidad! USA Homes, 4608 West Wall, Midland, TX. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177.

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NEW 4 Bedroom, 3 Baths, 3 Car Garage. Pool Privileges. Call 699-5587.

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2205 Shell Towering trees, new outside paint. 4 Bedroom, 3 bath, new kitchen and master. Wonderful new listing! \$138,500

1802 Tennessee New Listing! 3 Bedroom, 2 bath. Heart of "Old Midland". Stunning yard, hardwoods, hot tub! \$74,500

2406 Dengar Pool 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 garage. Lots of new Tons of built-ins! Neutral colors and wonderful plant! 2,000 sq ft. \$89,500

4701 Tattenham New listing! 1.7 Acres. 4 Bedroom, 3 bath, 2 garage. Bams, RV storage, split level. Tons of updates - Don't miss

1118 Mogford \$82,000 4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2 Living + More! Shown by Patty Hodgins 694-6860 Abbott Realty 563-2422

4704 Crockett- \$39,900 Super Condition, 3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath, 1 Car Garage. Roomy Inside! Owner - 694-4837

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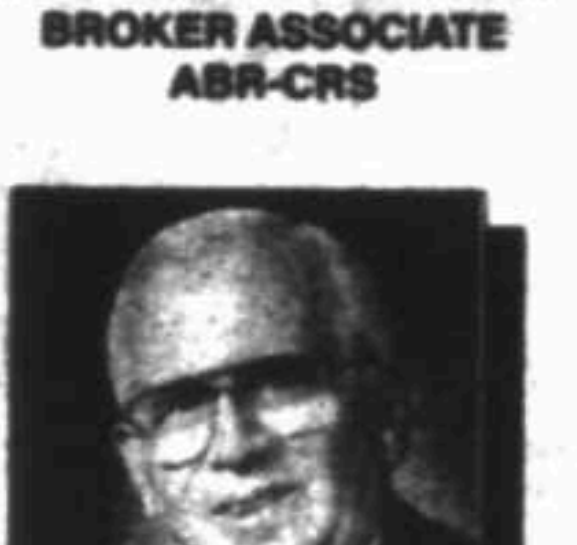
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PERMIAN BASIN OIL & GAS REPORT

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OIL PRICES DOWN



The pitman on the antique wooden derrick, at the Permian Basin International Oil Show, serves as a reminder of when a day's production equaled today per barrel price.

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MEETING

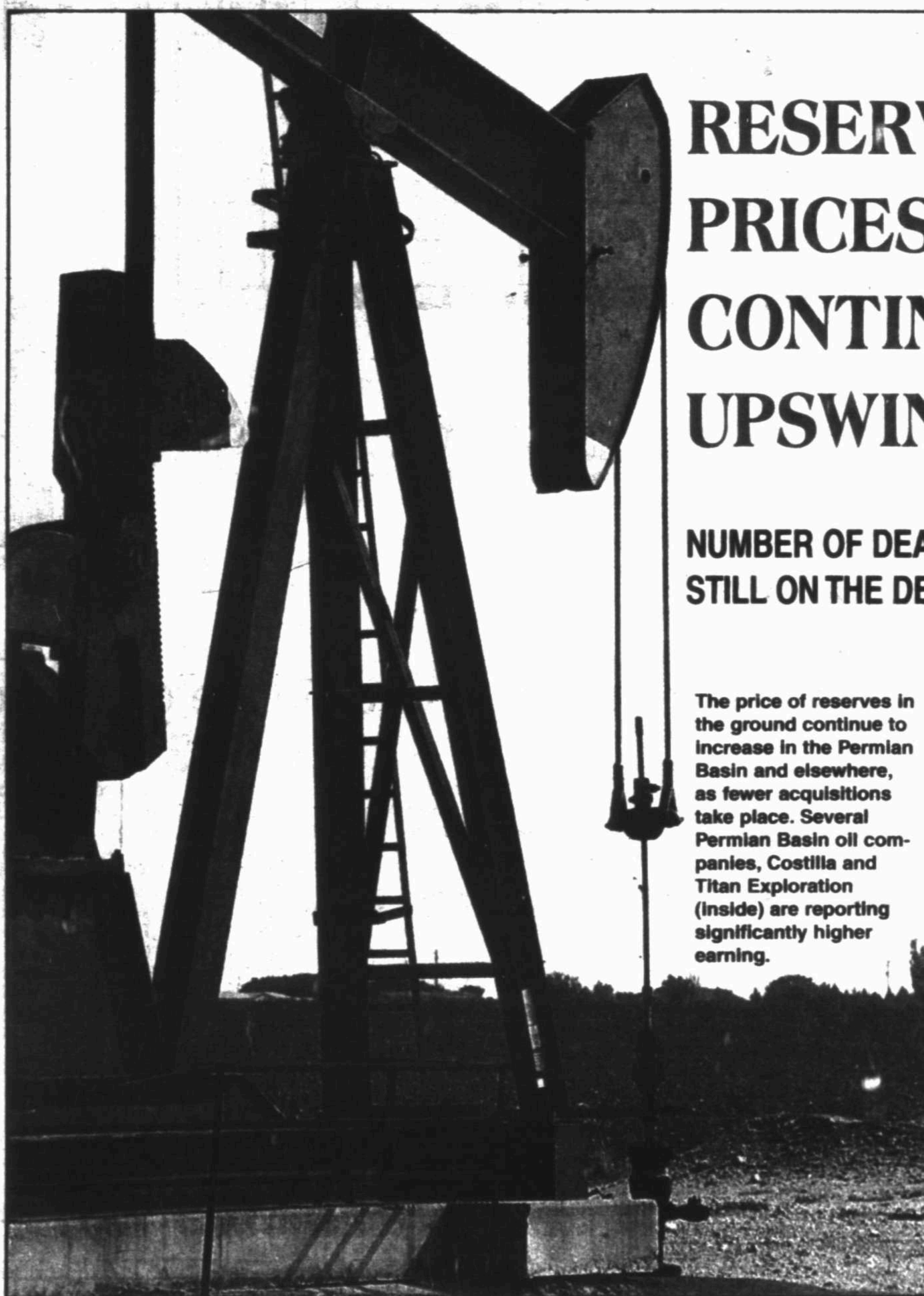
The American Society of Safety Engineers will meet at noon Thursday, August 21 at Mission Dorado. State Representative, George E. "Buddy" West, will be our guest speaker. He will discuss events at the 75th Session, including Title Protection.

Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. The cost of the meal is \$10.00. For more information contact Renee Witherspoon at 335-0550.

JOHN PAUL PITTS

In his column, John Paul Pitts takes a look at SMARTT pricing and risk management for small oil producers.

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RESERVE PRICES CONTINUE UPSWING

NUMBER OF DEALS STILL ON THE DECLINE

The price of reserves in the ground continue to increase in the Permian Basin and elsewhere, as fewer acquisitions take place. Several Permian Basin oil companies, Costilla and Titan Exploration (inside) are reporting significantly higher earning.

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

As E&P companies shift from adding reserves by acquisition to adding reserves by drilling, the number of transactions continue to shrink while the price of reserves increase. According to the Cornerstone Quarterly Reserve Report, oil and gas reserve values, in the second quarter of 1997, increased for the

sixth consecutive quarter with the average barrel of oil in the ground selling for \$5.51 BOE, up 11 percent from the first quarter, price of \$4.95. The Reserve Report called it was the highest median value since the fourth quarter of 1991.

However, according to Cornerstone Ventures, publisher of the report, the number of transactions were way off for the first and second quarters of 1997. Only 53 major trans-

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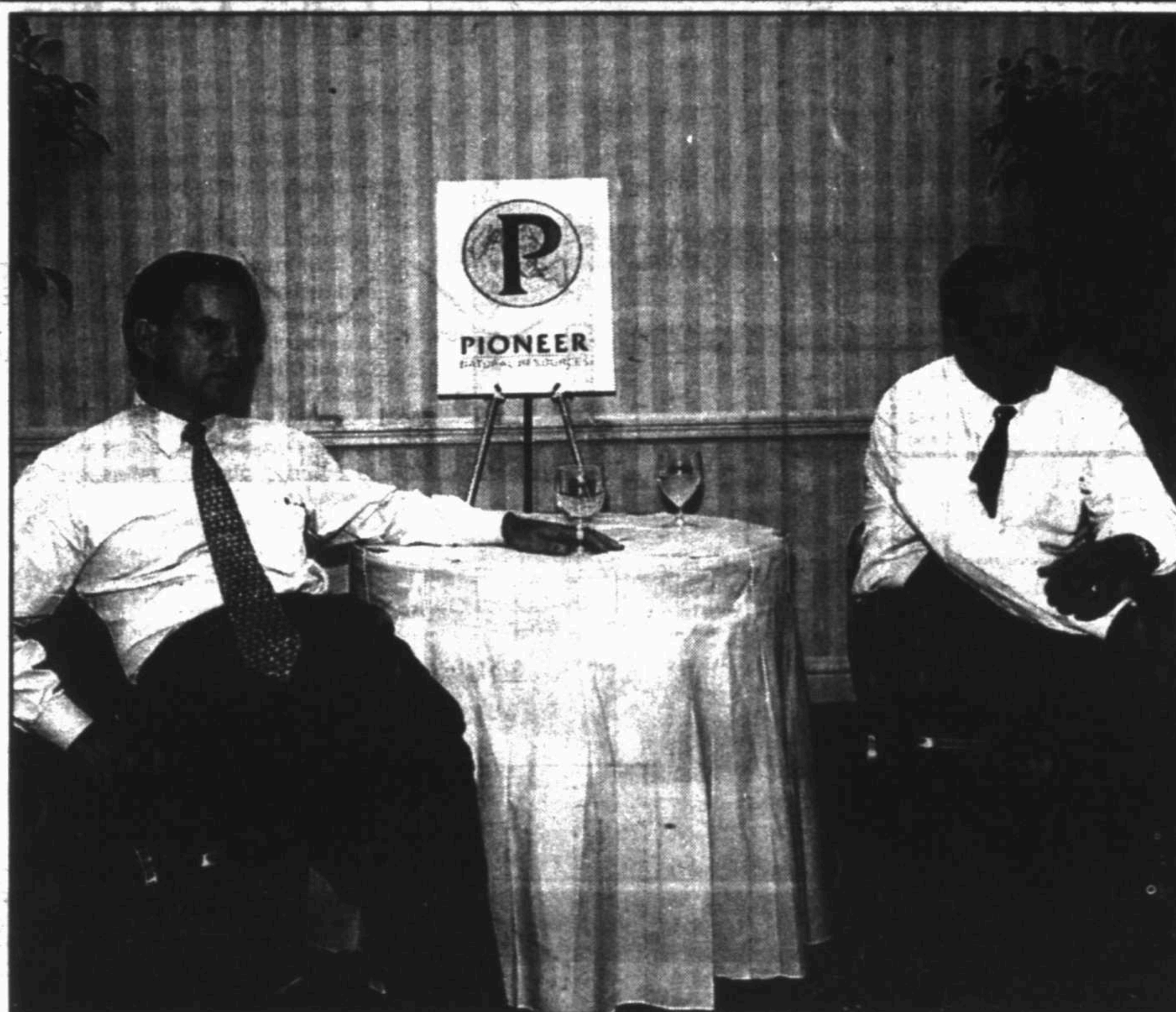


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Scott Sheffield, left, the new president of Pioneer Natural Resources and Jon Brumley, right, the new chairman answer press questions following the merger of the two companies at a stockhold-

ers meeting in Dallas last week. The third largest independent oil company will have a large interest in the Permian Basin. The logo for the new company is seen in the background.

Pioneer will have big stake in Permian Basin's future

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

With a stake in Costilla and Pioneer Natural Resources Co., Fort Worth investor Marvin Rainwater will have a big stake in the future of the Permian Basin. How does he feel about the Permian Basin? Was his investments made on the basis of a strategy?

"We have talked about the Permian Basin," said Jon Brumley, new chairman of Pioneer Natural Resources, "but we have developed no particular strategy."

Brumley, who was hired by Rainwater to head Mesa Inc., after Boone Pickens stepped down, did note that Rainwater is convinced of the upside potential. "We feel there will be some new technology that will come along that will allow us to recover a lot more oil from the Spraberry and other formations in the Permian Basin."

As the largest operator in the Spraberry, Parker & Parsley, the other half of the Pioneer Natural Resources marriage, has had an active R&D program going to find that new technology. Building on the results of Mobil and others who have drilled horizontally into the Spraberry,

Parker & Parsley has attempted multiple horizontal laterals in the bread and butter formation.

"Thus far it has not been a commercial success," says Scott Sheffield, president of Pioneer. "The economics are

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— Jon Brumley,
Chairman

just not there." Sheffield did note that the company did have a CO₂ pilot project.

If horizontal laterals and CO₂ recovery become commercial in the Spraberry

experts agree it will be a tremendous windfall for oil companies and for the Permian Basin. With a separate division for the Spraberry, the newly organized Pioneer Natural Resources will be a logical entity to pursue Spraberry technology.

Pioneer, created by the merger of Parker & Parsley and Mesa Inc., will be the third largest independent oil and gas exploration and production company in the United States.

As a result of the business combination, Pioneer will have total proved oil and gas reserves over 3.7 trillion cubic feet of natural gas equivalents, a well balanced and long lived oil and gas reserve mix with 52 % natural gas and 48 % crude oil and liquids, and an aggregate reserve life index in excess of 12 years. Assets outside the Permian Basin will be candidates for technology that can be transferred to the Permian Basin and vice versa.

The company will be headquartered in Dallas with administrative offices in Midland. Approximately 10 percent of the work force of the two companies will be eliminated in the merger.

INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

Conoco finds pay in MacCulloch field

Oil production has begun from the MacCulloch field, operated by Conoco (U.K.) Limited in the central North Sea. Oil flow commenced on Sunday, 10 August, in a project which represents Conoco's first use of floating production, storage and offtake technology in the North sea.

The MacCulloch oil field, which lies some 155 miles north east of Aberdeen, is operated through a floating production, storage and offtake (FPSO) system based on the Dagmar Maersk, a former products carrier. Converted and renamed North Sea Producer, it is owned and operated by North Sea Production Company, a joint venture of Odebrecht-SLP and Maersk who provide the MacCulloch field production services to Conoco and its co-venturer LASMO North Sea plc.

Production during the first phase is through three production wells tied back to the North Sea Producer using seabed flexible flowlines and risers. The MacCulloch field has estimated recoverable reserves of 58 million barrels of oil. Production will peak at up to 60,000 barrels of oil and 12 million standard feet of gas a day. Further production drilling will be done later this year.

Mason Oil gains interest in West Java Basin

Mason Oil Company Inc. through its wholly owned subsidiary, Hemley Exploration Pty. Ltd. of Australia (Hemley), announced an agreement, between Pt PUTRA BAKTI MAHKOTA (PUTRA) and PERTAMINA (the Indonesian State owned oil company) for an 82 percent interest in a Technical Assistance Contract (TAC) covering the Sambidoyong oil field located 180 kilometers East of Jakarta in the West Java Basin.

Under the terms of this new agreement, the company is obligated to pay PUTRA a payment of \$400,000.00 U.S. dollars upon receipt by the company of a letter from Pertamina assuring the transfer of title of the TAC to company/PUTRA, J/V from PUTRA and the acceptance of a new work program and budget to be tendered by the company. The agreement calls for the drilling and completion of a new well within the first year of operations and an additional production well during year two along with the work over SBD-1 (the discovery well).

Amoco, Conoco gain tax exemptions

Amoco Corp. and Conoco Inc., the energy unit of Dupont Co., gained tax exemptions from Venezuela on oil exploration and production projects they have in the South American country.

The exemption lifted a 16.5 percent value added tax on oil, gas, mining and capital development projects for a period of up to five years, the Finance Ministry said.

Under the terms of the exemption, the companies must apply for government approval on each project to be considered eligible.

Amoco is exploring for oil in the Punta Pescador tract and the Guarapiche tract in eastern Venezuela under a profit-sharing agreement with state oil company Petroleos de Venezuela SA.

Conoco is exploring for oil under a similar contract in the Gulf of Paria West tract in eastern Venezuela and the Guanare tract in western Venezuela. Conoco also has begun construction on a project in Venezuela's Orinoco Belt to produce 120,000 barrels a day of extra heavy crude oil. Venezuela's congress approved in March a value added tax exemption for the pre-production stage of export-oriented projects.

Noel to supervise Trinity's new office

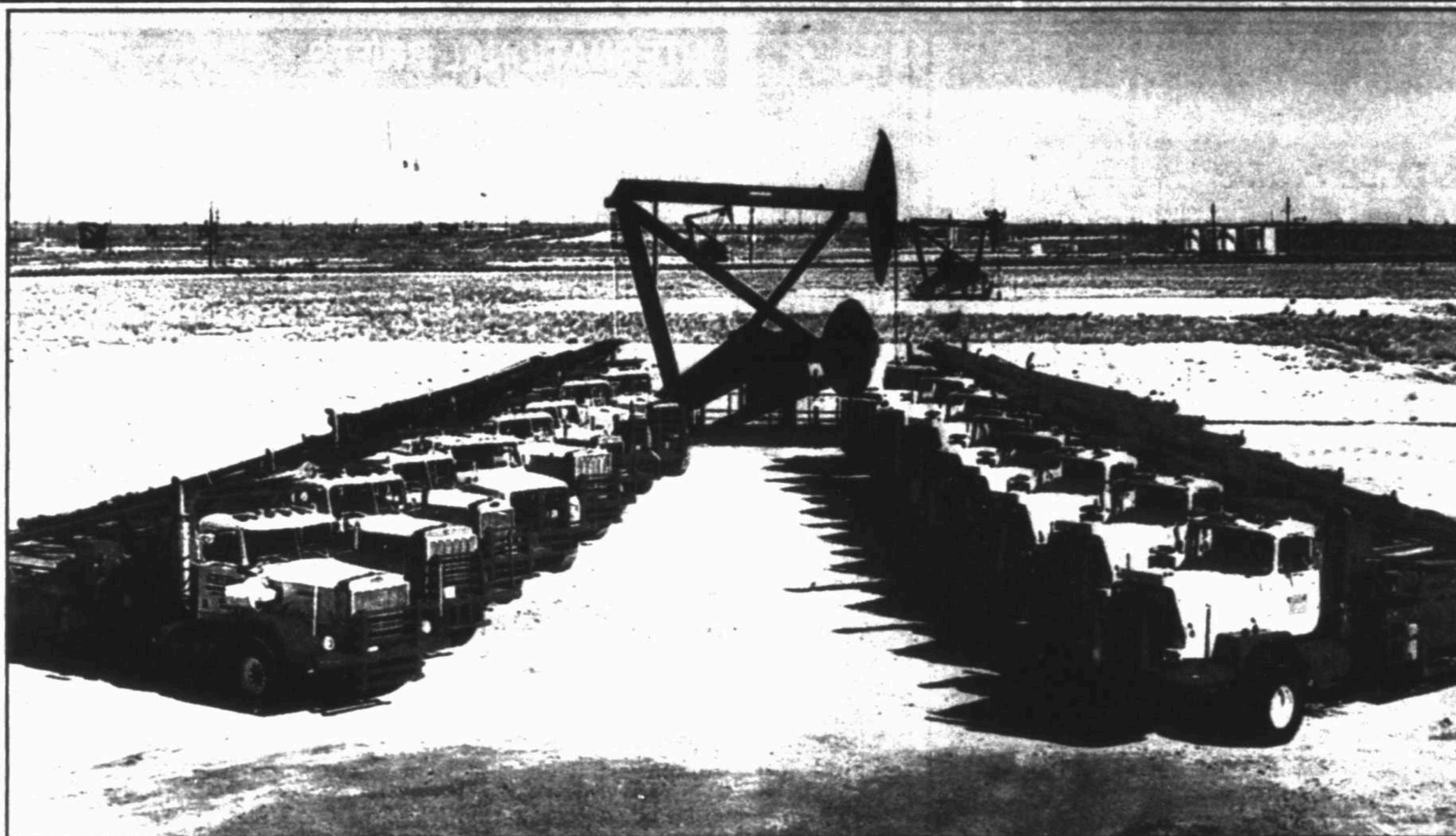
Dr. James Noel, a distinguished professional geologist and adjunct professor of geology at Ashland University (Ohio), will supervise Trinity Gas Corp. new foreign office in Bogota, the capital city of Colombia, S.A.

The office will be located in Bogota's World Trade Center. "Doctor James Noel has been a professional geologist with several major petroleum companies throughout the Americas and China," said Sid Sers, president and CEO of Trinity Gas Corporation. "So his assistance with our Colombian operations will be invaluable."

Noel has taught geology at the university level since 1951 and been elected Outstanding Educator of the Year by the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

Three oil companies must plant trees

British Petroleum Plc, Triton Energy Corp. and Colombian state oil company Ecopetrol must plant trees as part of a 195 million peso (\$174,000) fine imposed by the Colombia's government for failing to follow environmental protection rules, La Republica reported. The violation occurred along a section of an oil pipeline the companies are building through central Colombia, the newspaper said. The companies were ordered to plant and maintain 180 acres of trees and pay \$15 million pesos in cash. The three partners are spending about \$2 billion to build a 830-kilometer (518-mile) pipeline that will carry oil from the eastern Cusiana and Cupiagua fields to the Caribbean port of Covenas.



Lufkin Acquisition

Lufkin Industries Inc. has acquired Fannie Lee Mitchell, a pumping unit service company with extensive operations in the Permian Basin. Founded in 1902, the same year as Lufkin, Fannie Lee Mitchell, is headquartered in Levelland and operates 65 field trucks, four service yards, and two machine shops. The company has 123 employees with annual sales of \$10 million.

Lufkin Chairman and CEO Douglas Smith said Lufkin was enthusiastic about the Fannie Lee Mitchell acquisition, because the company had an exceptional reputation in the Permian Basin.

Mitchell, an authorized Lufkin repair and parts distributor, provides a variety of services involving pumping units. Included are deliveries, installation of new and used units, maintenance and repair of units, manufacture of unit parts, concrete bases, sale of used units and gear box repairs.

"With Lufkin's existing USA service centers, this acquisition is a logical expansion into the growing service sector of our business," Smith said.

PBGC seeks funds

The Permian Basin Graduate Center has begun receiving contributions for upgrading its computer center. The estimated cost for the upgrade is \$50 million. The computer center was founded to serve Midland's thriving oil and gas economy. New computers are necessary to run the up-to-date programs being requested by the industry. Not only does the center provide specialized training to the oil and gas industry it has helped a broader segment of the community with providing basic programs for computer usage.

In 1967 the PBGC was incorporated with a goal to provide advance education to persons in the technical and oil profession. The center is now in its 30th year. Through many trials, including the mid 80's "oil bust", the center remains dedicated to providing the same service and quality education as it started some 30 years ago. The center has expended its services to include a broader segment of the community to keep up with basic skills. High quality education programs are a critical factor in maintaining an effective work force. The center is part of Midland history which survived good times and downsizing and still remains true to its dedication of service.

Letters for contributions will be forthcoming to many in the community. There will be levels of recognition from the Platinum Contribution of \$2,500; Gold of \$1,000; Silver of \$500; and Bronze of \$100. If you would like to support the center with a tax deductible contribution in any amount, please send your check to the PBGC, Computer Campaign, P.O. Box 1518, Midland, TX. 79702.

NAMEDROPPING

Shell CO2 Company has named MATT PFISTER marketing manager for its CO2 supply and support services. Pfister, who joined Shell in 1987, will be responsible for marketing CO2 in the Permian Basin and supporting the company's development of new markets.

Previously a marketing representative for Pecten Chemicals, Inc., the export arm of Shell Chemical U.S., Pfister marketed Shell's epoxy resins and curing agents to more than 60 countries. He holds a bachelor of science degree in marketing from LSU, and is a native of Destrehan, La.

EVELYN A. MEDVIN has joined Coherence Technology Company, Inc., as its director of interpretation services. Medvin, most recently a senior geophysicist with Schlumberger/GeoQuest, previously spent fifteen years as a geophysical interpreter with Occidental Petroleum. In her new role she will assist E&P companies in integrating Coherence Cube data into their interpretation work flow.

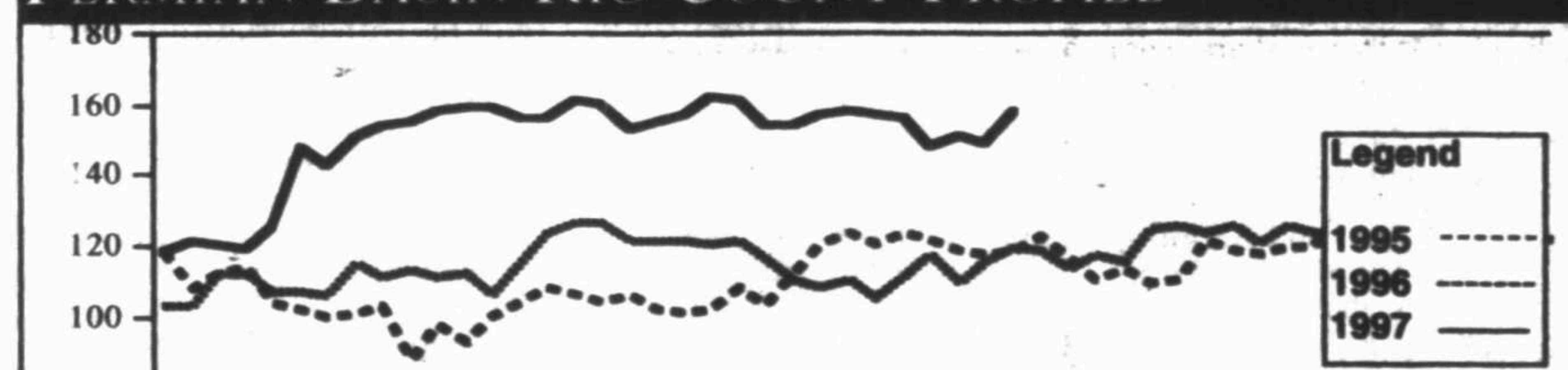
U. S. RIG COUNT

	This Wk.	Last Wk.	Year Ago
USA Land	838	846	n/a
USA Offshore	124	124	n/a
Canada	420	428	289
U.S. Directional	233	228	n/a
U.S. Horizontal	73	68	n/a
U.S. Gas	555	582	n/a
U.S. Oil	429	410	n/a

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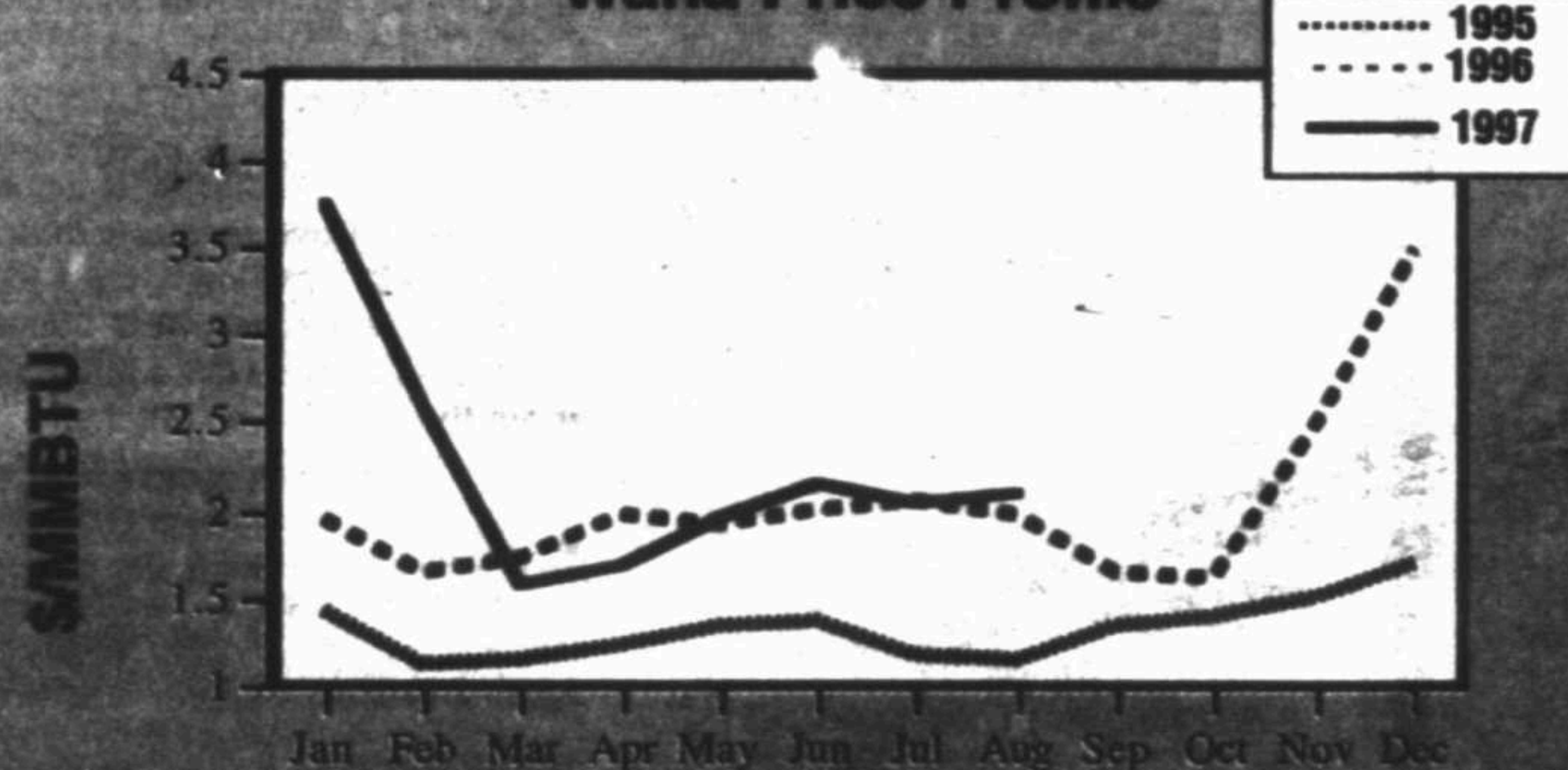
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PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNT PROFILE



Spot Gas Price Comparison

Waha Price Profile



* Waha is a major natural gas collection center for the Permian Basin located in Pecos County.

Courtesy Robert K. Anderson, Oklahoma

Waha Averages

This Month
\$2.09

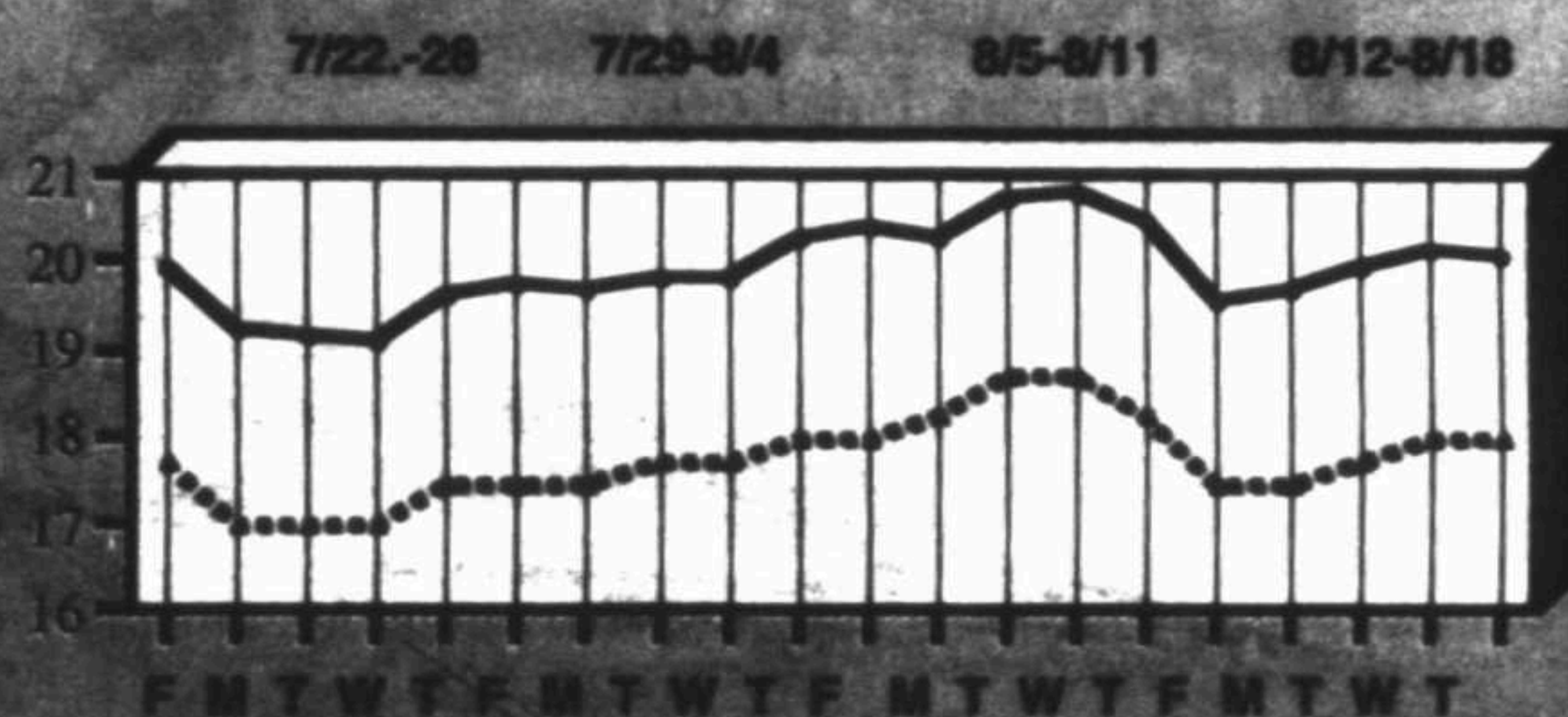
Last Month
\$2.04

Current Spot Prices

■ Mid Continent (Arkoma) \$1.96
■ Gulf Coast (Louisiana) \$2.18
■ Rocky Mountain (Wyoming) \$1.38

Crude Oil Prices

This Week's
Average:



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Current WTI Posted

Amoco*	\$19.50	Exxon	\$19.50	Phillips*	\$18.00
Arco	18.00	Fina*	18.00	Scurlock	N/A
Basic*	18.00	Koch*	18.00	Permian*	N/A
Chevron	18.50	Marathon*	N/A	Shell*	19.50
Citgo*	18.00	Mobil*	18.75	Sun*	N/A
Conoco	N/A	Navajo WTI	18.00	Texaco	18.00
E.O.T.T.	17.50	Navajo NHT	19.15	Unocal	19.25

Costilla earnings up 56 percent

Costilla Energy, Inc., reported a 56 percent increase in oil and natural gas production and a 44 percent increase in oil and gas revenues for the second quarter 1997. The results for the second quarter were a net loss of \$2.4 million or 23 cents per share, compared with a net loss of \$2.3 million, or 44 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1996, which included an extraordinary item for \$1.6 million.

For the second quarter 1997, cash flow was \$4.6 million, or 44 cents per share, and adjusted EBITDA was \$6.8 million or 2.5 times interest expense. Oil and gas revenues were \$15.3 million versus \$10.6 for 1996 and production was 1.2 million barrels of oil equivalent (BOE) compared with 0.7 million BOE in 1996. The company has previously announced the sale of certain high-operating-cost properties. The estimated production related to the properties sold was 600 BOE per day, which resulted in a decrease in the company's 1997 second quarter of approximately 36,000 BOE. The company's current daily production is approximately 12,500 BOE, excluding production from the pending Ballard Petroleum acquisition.

For the six months ended June 30, 1997, Costilla reported oil and gas revenues of \$34.9 million, an increase of 79 percent over the \$19.4 million reported in 1996. Results for the six months ended June 30, 1997 were a net loss of \$0.1 million, compared with a net loss of \$2.3 million in 1996, which included an extraordinary item for \$1.6 million. Cash flow for the 1997 period was \$13.5 million, or \$1.29 per share, compared with \$4.4 million, or 84 cents per share for the 1996 period.

During the 1997 second quarter, the company drilled a total of 36 wells, of which 26 were productive. In the Permian Basin, 21 wells were drilled, of which 13 were productive, seven wells were drilled in the Gulf Coast onshore area, five of

which were productive and eight wells were drilled in the Rocky Mountains, all of which were productive. In addition, the company was in the process of drilling or completing 21 wells at June 30, 1997, which were located as follows: Permian Basin - 9 wells; Gulf Coast - 9 wells; and the Rocky Mountains - 3 wells.

For the six months ended June 30, 1997, the company produced 2.2 million BOE and added approximately 6.0 million BOE to its reserves through its drilling activities.

Costilla previously announced that it has agreed to acquire proved reserves of approximately 6.0 million BOE, about 160,000 net acres of undeveloped oil and gas properties and certain seismic data, all located in the Rocky Mountain region, from Ballard Petroleum LLC of Billings, Montana, for approxi-

mately \$42.0 million. Closing of the acquisition is planned for late August 1997.

The company has received a commitment from Bankers Trust Company to provide an acquisition facility for financing \$30.0 million of the Ballard Petroleum acquisition. In addition, the commitment will provide the company with a new line of revolving credit.

The new credit facility will provide for a maximum availability of \$75.0 million, with an initial borrowing base of \$50.0 million. At June 30, 1997, the company had \$14.7 million borrowed against the existing revolving line of credit, which will be renewed. In addition, the company will utilize funds available under the New Credit Facility to fund the remaining portion of the Ballard Petroleum acquisition.



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WILDCAT-RECOMP: TC RR CO/J. H. DRESSEN
SUR, A-5536, BLK PP, SEC 12; 467 FSL 660 FSL
OF LSE; 467 FSL 3486 FSL OF SUR; 11.5 MILES
NE OF BAKERSFIELD; OBJ: 8202; PERMIT #
459834; API # 42-105-35956

IRON COUNTY

RAYCO OPERATING INC
JOE B. MAYER #14
WILDCAT-D: JOHN DUNMAN #1802 SUR, A-74;
660 FNL 660 FSL OF LSE; 6350 FNL 660 FSL OF
SUR; 16 MILES NE OF MERTZON;
OBJ: 1000; PERMIT # 465857; API # 42-235-33676
SAGE ENERGY COMPANY
MAYER #4 #1
WILDCAT-D: WC RR CO/J. TANKERSLEY SUR, A-
1247; 660 FNL 660 FSL OF LSE; 660 FNL 660
FSL OF SUR; 3 MILES N OF BARNHART; OBJ:
7900; PERMIT # 465839; API # 42-235-33675

MCCULLOCH COUNTY

BOWERMAN ENERGY COMPANY
CRAFT #1
WILDCAT-D: JACOB HEIDRICH #1389, A-554; 660
FNL 300 FNL OF LSE; 600 FNL 300 FNL OF SUR;
5 MILES S OF MELVIN; OBJ: 2000; PERMIT #
465901; API # 42-307-31044

MENARD COUNTY

DANIEL EXPLORATION INC
#3A CLARK RANCH SOUTH
WILDCAT: AB&M SUR, A-25; 837 FSL 172 FNL OF
SUR; 11 MILES NW OF MENARD; EL: 2131 GR;
CONTR: DUDLEY DRILLING; TD 2030, PBD
1896; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH PERFS 1338
TO 1345; IPF 90 BOPD, 1 CFQD, 0 BWPD
DANIEL EXPLORATIONS INC
J. NICHOLS LSE #3A
WILDCAT-D: THOMAS GREEN #1 SUR, A-1354;
467 FNL 1485 FSL OF LSE; 4530 FSL 750 FSL OF
SUR; 11.5 MILES NW OF MENARD; OBJ: 3999;
PERMIT # 461243; API # 42-327-30825

REAGAN COUNTY

ENRON OIL & GAS COMPANY
UNIVERSITY 6-7W #1
WILDCAT-D: UL SUR, BLK 6, SEC 7; 467 FSL 750
FSL OF LSE; 467 FSL 1890 FSL OF SUR; 28
MILES SW OF BIG LAKE; OBJ: 9300; PERMIT #
463092; API # 42-383-34779

TOM GREEN COUNTY

MIDLAND RES OPER CO INC

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WILDCAT-D: TC RR CO/J. DICKSON SUR, A-
8594, BLK A, SEC 34; 221 FNL 1420 FNL OF
LSE; 221 FNL 1420 FNL OF SUR; 27
MILES NNE OF BIG LAKE; OBJ: 9700; PERMIT #
463196; API # 42-451-32378

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GLASSCOCK COUNTY

BTA OIL PRODUCERS
9702 JV-P MICHAEL #1
WILDCAT-D: T&P RR CO SUR, A-244; BLK 34
T4S, SEC 7; 1894 FNL 2315 FNL OF LSE; 1894
FNL 2315 FNL OF SUR; 3 MILES NW OF GAR-
DEN CITY; OBJ: 8300; PERMIT # 465914; API #
42-173-32803

WINKLER COUNTY

EXXON#1
WILDCAT-D: W & NW RR CO/W.D. JOHNSON
SUR, A-1104, BLK 1, SEC 48; 1980 FSWL 1980
FSEL OF LSE; 1980 FSWL 1980 FSEL OF SUR; 5
MILES SE OF MENTONE; OBJ: 5000; PERMIT #
465840; API # 42-301-31085

TEXAS RRCD 8A

BORDEN COUNTY

BROTHERS PRODUCTION COMPANY
MILLER 521 #3
WILDCAT-D: H & TC RR CO/J. V. STEPHENS
SUR, A-1252, BLK 97, SEC 521; 502 FSL 2490
FNL OF LSE; 2150 FNL 2490 FNL OF SUR; 5
MILES W OF FLUVANNA; PERMIT # 465654; API
42-033-31689

KENT COUNTY

GUNN OIL COMPANY
ARTHUR UNIT #1
WILDCAT: H & GN RR CO SUR, BLK 1, SEC 126;
467 FSL 648 FNL OF LSE; 2 MILES NW OF
GIRARD; EL: 2140 GR; CONTR: RINGO
DRILLING; SPUD 6/24/97; COMP 7/5/97; TD 4450,
PBD 4400; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH PERFS
4338 TO 4341; IP 97 BOPD, 5 MCFD, 0 BWPD;
PERMIT # 463917; API # 42-263-31617

ROCKWELL COUNTY

PATTERSON PETROLEUM INC
SPRINGER 169 #2
WILDCAT-D: H & TC RR CO SUR, A-219, BLK F,
SEC 169; 923 FNL 2426 FNL OF LSE; 923 FNL
2426 FNL OF SUR; 16 MILES SW OF GUTHRIE;
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MARBOS E

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ANDRES; AP

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ANDRES; AP

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■ JASPER "ARJ" FED #1
FOOR RANCH; T8S, R26E, SEC 25; 660 FSL 1750
FEL; 11.5 MI SE OF ELKINS; ROT 6500 PRECAM-
BIAN; API # 30-005-63142
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
■ JASPER "ARJ" FED #2
FOOR RANCH; T8S, R26E, SEC 25; 760 FSL 2240
FEL; 11.5 MI SE OF ELKINS; ROT 6500 PRECAM-
BIAN; API # 30-005-63143
MARBOB ENERGY CORP
■ TWIN LAKE SAN ANDRES UNIT #203
TWIN LAKES; T8S, R29E, SEC 31; 2310 FSL 360
FEL; 7.5 MILES SE OF ELKINS; ROT 3000 SA-
ANDRES; API # 30-005-63139
MARBOB ENERGY CORP
■ TWIN LAKE SAN ANDRES UNIT #201
TWIN LAKES; T9S, R28E, SEC 1; 330 FSL 1650
FEL; 8.5 MILES SE OF ELKINS; ROT 3000 SAN
ANDRES; API # 30-005-63139
MARBOB ENERGY CORP
■ TWIN LAKE SAN ANDRES UNIT #200
TWIN LAKES; T9S, R28E, SEC 12; 2310 FSL 990
FEL; 9 MILES SE OF ELKINS; ROT 3000 SAN
ANDRES; API # 30-005-63138
MARBOB ENERGY CORP
■ THE DUKE STATE #1
NE CHISUM; T11S, R28E, SEC 16; 2603 FSL 1088
FEL; 21.5 MILES E OF ROSWELL; ROT 7200
DEVONIAN; API # 30-005-63141

EDDY COUNTY

MARBOB ENERGY CORP

■ BURCH KEELY UNIT #650
GB JACKSON; T17S, R30E, SEC 19; 2378 FSL 290
FEL; 2 MILES W OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 4800
SR/QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-29722
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ TEXMACK "11" FED #1
FREN; T17S, R31E, SEC 11; 990 FSL 1650 FWL; 4
MILES SW OF MALJAMAR; ROT 12500 MORROW;
API # 30-015-29720
DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ FRIESS FEDERAL #5
GB-JACKSON; T17S, R31E, SEC 19; 2220 FSL
1434 FEL; 4 MILES E OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 4200
SR/QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-29179
WISER OIL CO
■ SKELLY UNIT #302
GB-JACKSON; T17S, R31E, SEC 28; 660 FSL 583
FWL; 6.5 MILES SE OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 4800
SR/QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-29712
SDX RESOURCES INC
■ CHALK FED #2
RED LAKE; T18S, R27E, SEC 5; 1980 FSL 2310
FWL; 6.5 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 3500
QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-29706
SDX RESOURCES INC
■ CHALK FED #4
RED LAKE; T18S, R27E, SEC 5; 1650 FSL 1650
FWL; 6.5 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 3500
QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-29707
MARATHON OIL CO
■ W B TRAVIS 15 ST COM #1
NO ILLINOIS CAMP; T18S, R28E, SEC 15; 1000
FSL 950 FEL; 12 MILES SW OF LOCO HILLS; ROT
12000 MORROW; API # 30-015-29709
ENRON OIL & GAS CO
■ SAND TANK 16 ST COM #1
SAND TANK; T18S, R30E, SEC 16; 1650 FSL 660
FWL; 5 MILES S OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 11950
MORROW; API # 30-015-29716
ENRON OIL & GAS CO
■ SAND TANK 18 FEDERAL COM #1
SAND TANK; T18S, R30E, SEC 16; 1650 FSL 660
FWL; 5 MILES SE OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 11950
MORROW; API # 30-015-29721
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
■ MARSHALL APH #4
NO DAGGER DRAW; T19S, R25E, SEC 9; 710 FSL
660 FWL; 7 MILES NW OF LAKEWOOD; ROT
8400 U/PENN; API # 30-015-29713
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
■ PATRICK API #6
NO DAGGER DRAW; T19S, R25E, SEC 10; 1980
FSL 1980 FWL; 6.5 MILES NW OF LAKEWOOD;
ROT 8300 U/PENN; API # 30-015-29710
HALLWOOD PET INC
■ CATCLAW DRAW UNIT 35 #2
CATCLAW DRAW; T21S, R25E, SEC 35; 330 FSL
1650 FEL; 6 MILES W OF CARLSBAD; ROT 4400
DELAWARE; API # 30-015-29723
POGO PROD CO
■ LOST TANK 28 FED #3
WEST LOST TANK; T21S, R31E, SEC 28; 330 FSL
2310 FWL; 7 MILES SW OF HALFWAY; ROT 8150
DELAWARE; API # 30-015-29717
POGO PROD CO
■ LOST TANK 28 FED #4

WEST LOST TANK; T21S, R31E, SEC 28; 330 FSL
990 FWL; 7 MILES SW OF HALFWAY; ROT 8150
DELAWARE; API # 30-015-29718
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ INDIAN DRAW 13 #1
SOUTH CARLSBAD; T22S, R27E, SEC 13; 1980
FSL 1980 FWL; 4.5 MILES E OF CARLSBAD; ROT
12000 MORROW; API # 30-015-29714
BASS ENTER PROD CO
■ POKER LAKE UNIT #137
FORTY NINER RIDGE; T23S, R30E, SEC 32; 330
FSL 330 FWL; 11 MILES SE OF LOVING; ROT
7400 BONE SPRING; API # 30-015-29715
MALLON OIL CO
■ MALLON BELL 3 ST COM #2
SOUTH CARLSBAD; T24S, R26E, SEC 3; 1330
FSL 1980 FEL; 3.5 MILES NW OF BLACK RIVER;
ROT 12000 MORROW; API # 30-015-29724
MALLON OIL CO
■ BLACK RIVER 11 FED COM #1
SOUTH CARLSBAD; T24S, R26E, SEC 11; 1980
FSL 1980 FEL; 2 MILES NW OF BLACK RIVER;
ROT 1200 MORROW; API # 30-015-29708
MALLON OIL CO
■ MALLON 16 STATE #3
WEST BLACK RIVER; T24S, R26E, SEC 16; 2080
FSL 660 FWL; 3 MILES NW OF BLACK RIVER;
ROT 5500 DELAWARE; API # 30-015-29711

LEA COUNTY

XERIC OIL & GAS CORP

■ JERRY STATE #1
DK; T20S, R38E, SEC 36; 1650 FSL 2310 FEL; 6.5
MILES NE OF EUNICE; ROT 8000 ABO; API # 30-
025-34080
JOHN H HENDRIX CORP
■ JOYCE PRUITT #4
DRINKARD; T21S, R37E, SEC 31; 660 FSL 2080
FEL; 2 MILES W OF EUNICE; ROT 6925
DRINKARD; API # 30-025-34074
JOHN H HENDRIX CORP
■ BOYCE PRUITT #5
BLINEBRY; T21S, R37E, SEC 31; 2310 FSL 330
FEL; 2 MILES W OF EUNICE; ROT 6625 BLINE-
BRY; API # 30-025-34078
POGO PROD CO
■ COVINGTON A FED #21
RED TANK; T22S, R32E, SEC 26; 330 FSL 330
FEL; 14 MILES SE OF HALFWAY; ROT 9000 BONE
SPRING; API # 30-025-34075
JOHN H HENDRIX CORP
■ PARKS #13
BLINEBRY; T22S, R37E, SEC 14; 2310 FSL 1980
FEL; 3 MILES SE OF EUNICE; ROT 7600 BLINE-
BRY; API # 30-025-34079
STRATA PROD CO
■ AVION FEDERAL #3
EAST SAND DUNES; T23S, R32E, SEC 22; 1980
FSL 660 FWL; 14.5 MILES NW OF OCHOA; ROT
16000 MORROW; API # 30-025-34077
SANTA FE ENERGY RESOURCES INC
■ THISTLE UNIT #3
T23S, R33E, SEC 21; 1980 FSL 1980 FEL; 10
MILES NW OF OCHOA; ROT 9200 DELAWARE;
API # 30-025-34076
MARALO INC
■ DAVIS 15 #1
T13S, R38E, SEC 15; 1980 FSL 1980 FWL; EL:
3808 GL; SPUD 12/4/96; P&A 6/3/97; TD 10687; API
30-025-33641

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CONCHO COUNTY

CTX ENERGY CORPORATION

■ WHITEHEAD #27
SOUTH BRANCH-RECOMP; JAMES CALLAN SUR,
A-1891, BLK 72, SEC 2117; 8900 FSL 12300 FWL
OF LSE 6600 FSL 2640 FWL OF SUR; 7 MILES SE
OF EDEN; OBJ: 4000 (CROSSCUT A); PERMIT #
465811; API # 42-095-30987

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■ CONNER #1
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SEC 37; 467 FWL 1336 FSL OF LSE; 467 FWL
1336 FSL OF SUR; 14 MILES SE OF OZONA; OBJ:
8200 (CANYON); PERMIT # 465753; API # 42-105-
37775
UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES COMPANY
■ MOODY #3304
OZONA-D; T & STL RR CO SUR, A-4197, BLK MM,
SEC 33; 930 FSL 2819 FEL OF LSE; 930 FSL 2819
FEL OF SUR; 24.3 MILES SW OF OZONA; OBJ:
7600 (CANYON SAND); PERMIT # 465855; API #
42-105-37814
SAGE ENERGY COMPANY
■ UNIVERSITY "22-A" #4
BARINHART, SOUTH-D; UL SUR, BLK 48, SEC 22;
1034 FSL 662 FEL OF LSE 259 FSL 2093 FWL OF
SUR; 26 MILES NW OF OZONA; OBJ: 10000
(ELLENBURGER); PERMIT # 460560; API # 42-
105-37635

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

PARKER AND PARSLEY DEVELOPMENT L.P.

■ M V BRYANS "B"
SPRABERRY-RECOMP; T&P RR CO./W F UTZ-
MAN SUR, A-1206, BLK 36, T-5-S, SEC 6; 990 FSL
2500 FWL OF LSE; 990 FSL 2500 FWL OF LSE; 21
MILES SW OF GARDEN CITY; OBJ: 8600 (TREND
AREA CL. FK.); PERMIT # 465808; API # 42-173-
31334

RUNNELS COUNTY

TRACER ENERGY, INC

■ RUSSELL #1
BALLINGER, WEST-D; CHARLES OSGOOD SUR,
A-393; 485 FSWL 998 FFWL OF LSE; 485
FSW(RIVER) 998 FFWL OF SUR; 1 MILE SW OF
BALLINGER; OBJ: 4999 (CAPPS); PERMIT #
465859; API # 42-399-34545
TRACER ENERGY INC
■ ORA LEE DEAN #3
DORMAN, WEST-D; HENRY L BAYS #444, LOT 4
SUR, A-17; 730 FSWL 930 FSEL OF LSE; 930
FSEL 1600 FSEL OF SUR; 1.5 MILES NE OF WIL-
METH; OBJ: 4999 (GOEN); PERMIT # 457097; API
42-399-34503

SUTTON COUNTY

LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP

■ PFLUGER 104 #12
FAWCETT-D; TW & NG RR CO./E.W. WALLS SUR,
A-910; 2120 FNL 682 FEL OF LSE; 2120 FNL 682
FEL OF SUR; 12 MILES SE OF SONORA; OBJ:
5500 (WOLF CAMP); PERMIT # 458022; API # 42-
435-34677
LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
■ W B MCMILLAN 10 #7
SAWYER-D; HE&WT RR CO./C A CHADWICK
SUR, A-1447, BLK C, SEC 10; 2200 FSL 2200 FEL
OF LSE; 2200 FSL 2200 FEL OF SUR; 14 MILES
SE OF SONORA; OBJ: 5800 (CANYON); PERMIT #
465817; API # 42-435-34737
LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
■ JO NELL JOHNSON 18 #6
JO NELL-D; GC&SF RR CO #18/W A MIERS SUR,
A-1400; 2600 FNL 1300 FEL OF LSE; 2600 FNL
1300 FEL OF SUR; 25 MILES SW OF SONORA;
OBJ: 9200 (CANYON D); PERMIT # 465818; API #
42-435-34740
LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
■ LEO H MCMILLAN 11 #7
SAWYER-D; HE&WT RR CO SUR, A-385, BLK C,
SEC 11; 2400 FNL 800 FWL OF LSE; 2400 FNL 800
FWL OF SUR; OBJ: 5750 (CANYON); PERMIT #
465819; API # 42-435-34739

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ANDREWS COUNTY

UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA

■ BRANGUS UNIVERSITY #2
UNIVERSITY BLOCK 9-D; UL SUR, BLK 9, SEC 4;
580 FNL 1050 FWL OF LSE; 580 FNL 1050 FWL OF
SUR; 15 MILES SW OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 9300

(PENN); PERMIT #465543; API # 42-003-38254
UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA
■ FRANK CLARKE #9
ANDREWS-D; P.S.L./F CLARKE SUR, A-1480, BLK
A-46, SEC 17; 690 FSL 600 FWL OF LSE; 1950
FNL 600 FWL OF SUR; 1 MILE WLY OF
ANDREWS; OBJ: 9390 (WOLF CAMP-PENN); PER-
MIT #465541; API # 42-003-38253
MAYNARD OIL CO
■ TEXAS -PP- #11
SHAFTER LAKE-D; UL SUR, BLK 13, SEC 25; 1240
FNL 1320 FEL OF LSE; 1400 FSL 1320 FEL OF
SUR; 10 MILES SW OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 7200
(CLEAR FORK); PERMIT # 465238; API # 42-003-
38252
CROSS TIMBERS OPERATING COMPANY
■ STATE UNIVERSITY AT #7
UNIVERSITY BLK 9-D; UL SUR, BLK 9, SEC 15;
800 FSL 500 FWL OF LSE; 800 FSL 500 FWL OF
SUR; 8 MILES SW OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 10800
(DEVONIAN); PERMIT # 465918; API # 42-003-
38262
BLANCO OIL CO
■ BLANCO-FULLERTON #6S
FULLERTON-D; PSL/ BM IRWIN SUR, A-613, BLK
A-32, SEC 13; 1787 FWL 2987 FNL OF LSE; 1787
FWL 2987 FNL OF SUR; 16 MILES NW OF
ANDREWS; OBJ: 4800 (SAN ANDRES); PERMIT #
465849; API # 42-003-38260
BLANCO OIL CO
■ BLANCO-FULLERTON #5S
FULLERTON-D; PSL/ BM IRWIN SUR, A-613, BLK
A-32, SEC 13; 467 FWL 2987 FNL OF LSE; 467
FWL 2987 FNL OF SUR; 16 MILES NW OF
ANDREWS; OBJ: 4800 (SAN ANDRES); PERMIT #
465850; API # 42-003-38259

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

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■ POWELL #6
LA VISTA-D; T&P RR CO./W.W. BRUNSON SUR, A-
939, BLK 35, T3S, SEC 28; 1000 FNL 1200 FEL OF
LSE; 1000 FNL 1200 FEL OF SUR; 10 MILES NW
OF GARDEN CITY; OBJ: 8500 (WOLF CAMP); PER-
MIT # 465227; API # 42-173-32799

MIDLAND COUNTY

JOHN L COX

■ BUCHANAN #14
SPRABERRY-D; L.A. WEBB'S F 6099 SUR, A-1101,
BLK 37, T-2-S, SEC 21; 2536 FNL 660 FEL OF LSE;
660 FLYSL 660 FELYEL OF SUR; 10 MILES SE
OF MIDLAND; OBJ: 9100 (TREND AREA); PERMIT
465278; API # 42-329-33825
JOHN L COX
■ BUCHANAN "F" #5
SPRABERRY-D; W M BALDRIDGE SUR, A-1017,
BLK 37, T-2-S, SEC 33; 660 FNL 1980 FEL OF LSE;
1980 FSL 660 FWL OF SUR; 8 MILES SE OF MID-
LAND; OBJ: 9100 (TREND AREA); PERMIT #
465277; API # 42-329-33824
JOHN L COX
■ BUCHANAN #15
SPRAYBERRY-D; L.A. WEBB'S F 6101 SUR, A-
1103, BLK 37, T-2-S, SEC 35; 660 FSL 660 FEL OF
LSE; 1980 FNL 660 FEL OF SUR; 10 MILES SE OF
MIDLAND; OBJ: 9100 (TREND AREA); PERMIT #
465276; API # 42-329-33823

STERLING COUNTY

LOMAK PRODUCTION COMPANY

■ FOSTER 8 #11
CONGER-D; H & TC RR CO./E KNIGHT SUR, A-
1049, BLK 22, SEC 8; 660 FWL 1350 FNL OF LSE;
660 FWL 1350 FNL OF SUR; 12 MILES NW OF
STERLING CITY; OBJ: 8150 (PENN); PERMIT #
465866; API # 42-431-32886
LOMAK PRODUCTION COMPANY
■ FOSTER 8 #10
CONGER-D; H & TC RR CO./E KNIGHT SUR, A-
1049, BLK 22, SEC 8; 700 FNL 2170 FEL OF LSE;
700 FNL 2170 FEL OF SUR; 12 MILES NW OF
STERLING CITY; OBJ: 8150 (PENN); PERMIT #
465867; API # 42-431-32885
LOMAK PRODUCTION COMPANY
■ FOSTER 9 #9
CONGER-D; H & TC RR CO SUR, A-272, BLK 22,
SEC 9; 2800 FNL 660 FEL OF LSE; 2800 FNL 660
FEL OF SUR; 10.6 MILES W OF STERLING CITY;
OBJ: 8150 (PENN); PERMIT # 465870; API # 42-
431-32884

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SMARTT pricing makes for smart business

Call it futures trading, hedging, or price insurance. Whatever, you call it, it all boils down to price risk management, a financial technique for softening the volatility of the market and allowing oil producers to become price-makers instead of price-takers. It is a technique that makes sense in 1997.

"Hedging allows producers to exercise a degree of control over their pricing destiny," says Norman L. Young, with EOTT Energy, who spoke recently to a SIPES group in Midland.

For years the only price risk management plan available to oil producers has been the



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New York Mercantile Exchange, where contracts were made for a minimum of 1,000 barrels and margin calls were sometimes executed daily in a down period.

Four years ago, however, EOTT Energy, a spin-off of Enron Oil Trading and Transportation, began offering a price insurance plan that has put a new spin on risk management. It takes power from the hands of New York traders and big producers and returns a portion of it to the oil-patch and the small producer — all without a brokers fee and with easy credit terms.

Roughly analogous to term insurance, EOTT Energy's SMARTT pricing, which stands for Strategic Marketing & Risk Trading Techniques, is widely known in the oilpatch, but not so well understood. The plan differs from NYMEX in that it allows producers to purchase a guaranteed market

price for a term, for a premium. "It's sort of like price insurance, and like insurance it has a cost," said Young. The "insurance" plan works by giving producers an opportunity to extend price protection to a portion of their production by buying a price floor or commodity fence.

For example if a producer wants his oil sales supported by a floor of \$15 he can buy that floor for 50 cents per barrel. If prices remain at the \$15 floor, the producer is paid \$14.50 (price less premium). If prices sink to \$13 a barrel, he is paid \$14.50 a barrel, and if prices soar to \$17 he is paid \$16.50.

Producers may also buy a commodity price fence. If, say, the fence is a \$22 minimum and a \$26 maximum, the producer pays no premium if prices remain in that range. However, if prices fall to \$20 a bar-

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■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT # 1015A
SPRABERRY-D; T&P RR CO SUR, A-391, BLK 37, T-5-S, SEC 21; 3354 FSL 7326 FWL OF LSE; 1980 FNL 1980 FWL OF SUR; 20.64 MILES NW OF STILES; OBJ: 8690 (TREND AREA); PERMIT # 465809; API # 42-461-33824

WARD COUNTY

CHEVRON U.S.A. INC
■ HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN. #1161
WARD-ESTES, N-RECLASS; G&MMB&A SUR, A-125, BLK O, SEC 7; 8580 FNL 4969 FWL OF LSE; 1980 FSL 311 FEL OF SURVEY; 2 MILES SE OF WICKETT; OBJ: 9000 (WICHITA-ALBANY); PERMIT #465507; API #42-475-32558
CHEVRON U.S.A. INC
■ HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN. #1164
WARD-ESTES, N-RECOMP; G&MMB&A SUR, A-125, BLK O, SEC 7; 7260 FNL 4080 FWL OF LSE; 1980 FNL 1220 FEL OF SURVEY; 2 MILES SE OF WICKETT; OBJ: 9000 (WICHITA-ALBANY); PERMIT #465563; API #42-475-32570
CHEVRON U.S.A. INC
■ HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN. #960
WARD-ESTES, N-RE-ENTER; G&MMB&A SUR, A-127, BLK O, SEC 9; 7260 FSL 4620 FWL OF LSE; 1980 FSL 660 FEL OF SUR; 5 MILES SE OF WICKETT; OBJ: 9000 (WICHITA-ALBANY); PERMIT # 465508; API # 42-475-30533

CHEVRON U.S.A. INC
■ HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN. #1161
WARD-ESTES, N-D, RECLASS; G&MMB&A SUR, A-125, BLK O, SEC 7; 8580 FNL 4969 FWL OF LSE; 1980 FSL 311 FEL OF SUR; 2 MILES SE OF WICKETT; OBJ: 9000 (WICHITA-ALBANY); PERMIT #465507; API # 42-475-32558
CHEVRON U.S.A. INC
■ C.W. EDWARDS ET AL #3
JANELLE-RECOMP; PSU/C&J EDWARDS SUR, A-1216, BLK B-18, SEC 16; 2100 FNL 3180 FWL OF LSE; 2100 FNL 2100 FWL OF SUR; 4 MILES SE OF MONOHANS; OBJ: 9400 (CLEAR FORK); PERMIT # 459777; API # 42-475-10036
CHEVRON U.S.A. INC
■ HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN. # 1034
WARD-ESTES, NORTH-RECOMP; G&MMB&A SUR, A-125, BLK O, SEC 7; 9900 FNL 4060 FWL OF LSE; 660 FSL 1220 FEL OF SUR; 3 MILES SE OF WICKETT; OBJ: 8300 (HOLT); PERMIT # 464463; API # 42-475-31835

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GAINES COUNTY

LARRON ENERGY CORPORATION
■ MCGUIRE "5" #1
TRIIPP-D; REAGAN CSL, LGE 296, LAB 5 SUR, A-818; 710 FNL 1039 FEL OF LSE; 710 FNL 550 FEL OF SUR; 15 MILES SE OF SEMINOLE; OBJ: 12900 (DEVONIAN); PERMIT # 465542; API # 42-165-

35221
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TRIIPP-D; REAGAN CSL, LGE 296, LAB 5 SUR, A-818; 710 FNL 1039 FEL OF LSE; 710 FNL 550 FEL OF SUR; 15 MILES SE OF SEMINOLE; OBJ: 12900 (DEVONIAN); PERMIT # 465542; API # 42-165-35221

GARZA COUNTY

SHENANDOAH PETROLEUM CORPORATION
■ SHENANDOAH PETROLEUM CORP #13
LAZY -JL- -D; JASPER HAYS SUR, A-533, BLK 1, SEC 20; 709 FSL 2080 FWL OF LSE; 2029 FSL 2080 FWL OF SUR; 10 MILES S OF POST; OBJ: 8150 (SPRABERRY, LO); PERMIT # 465722; API # 42-169-33478
ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP
GUTHRIE #1
FORBES-D; E. J. POWELL #1/B W MITCHELL SUR, A-11255; 579 FNL 467 FEL OF LSE 2173 FSL 467 FEL OF SUR; 12.3 MILES N OF POST; OBJ: 5000 (GLORIETA); PERMIT # 465660; API # 42-169-33477

HOCKLEY COUNTY

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ROPES-RECOMP; HOWARD CSL, LGE. 13, LAB 1 SUR, A-10, 1141 FEL 961 FNL OF LSE; 1141 FEL 961 FNL OF SUR; 5.5 MILES N OF ROPESVILLE; OBJ: 8000 (WOLF CAMP); HORIZONTAL WELL; PERMIT # 465658; API # 42-219-31051
ALTURA ENERGY LTD
■ SLAUGHTER "G" #60
TSTAR-D; ZAVALLA CSL, LGE 37, LAB 24 SUR, A-159; 467 FWL 4751 FNL OF LSE; 467 FWL 1052 FSL OF SUR; 2.5 MILES SE OF SUNDOWN; OBJ: 8600 (ABO); PERMIT # 465497; API # 42-219-36354
ALTURA ENERGY LTD
■ SLAUGHTER "G" #61
TSTAR-D; ZAVALLA CSL, LGE 37, LAB 22 SUR, A-159; 1072 FWL 1317 FSL OF LSE; 1317 FSL 258 FEL OF SUR; 2 MILES SE OF SUNDOWN; OBJ: 8600 (ABO); PERMIT # 465496; API # 42-219-36353

MITCHELL COUNTY

PHOENIX OIL
■ W. L. HAMILTON #2
SHARON RIDGE-RE-ENTER; T & P RR CO SUR, A-480, BLK 27, SEC 9; 330 FNL 330 SWL OF LSE; 2350 FSL 1650 FEL OF SUR; 7 MILES NW OF COLORADO CITY; OBJ: 1610 (1700); PERMIT # 465509; API # 42-335-01631

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Joe Hensley, President
C.J. Hensley Engineering

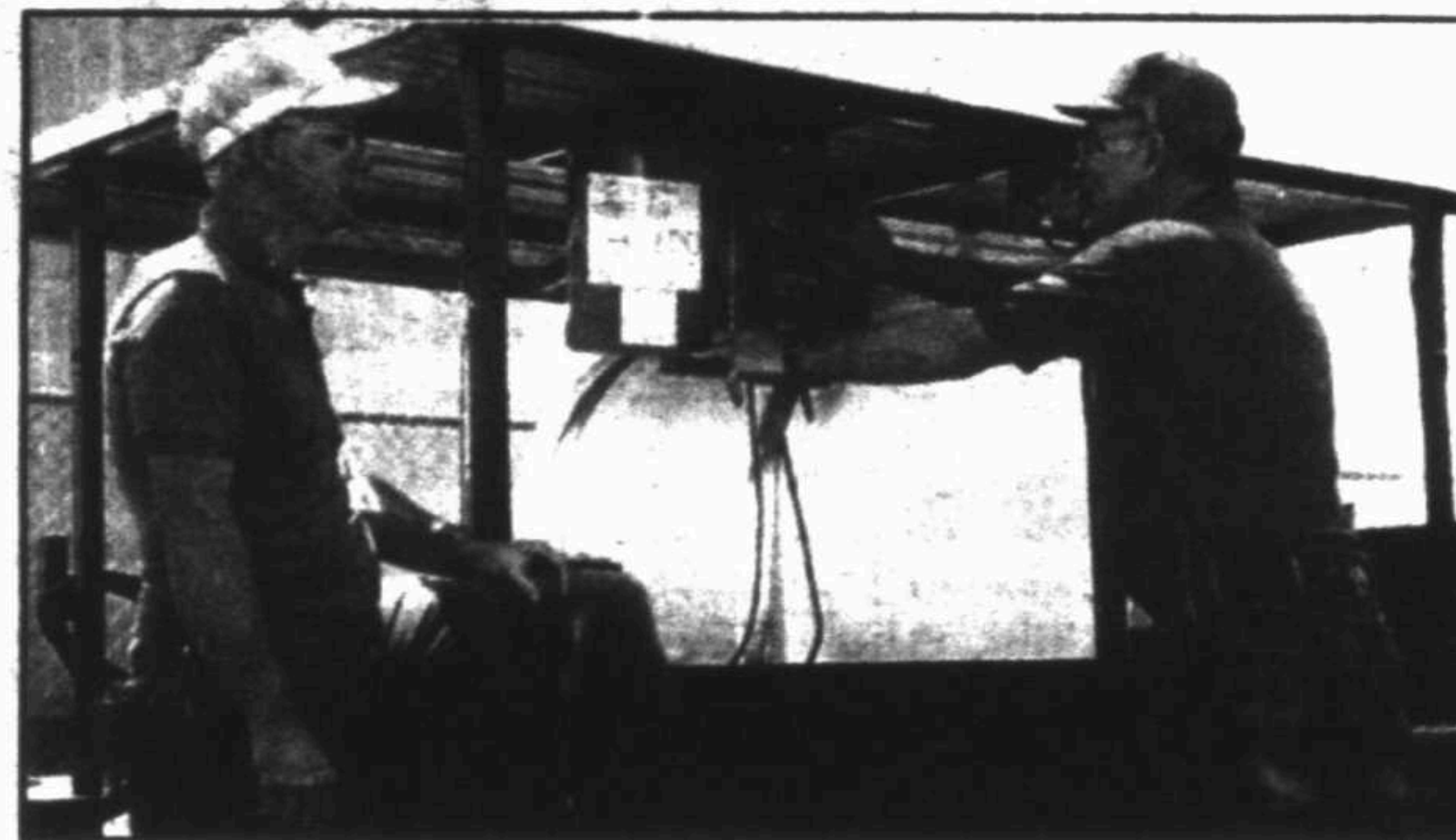
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 ■ SACRA "SA" COM #13
 PECOS SLOPE; T6S, R25E, SEC 34;
 2310 FSL 1500 FEL; EL: 3711 GR;
 SPUD 4/9/97; COMP 5/27/97; TD 4090,
 PBTD 4009; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED FRACTURES
 PERFS 3608 TO 3673; IPF 476
 MCFPD; API # 30-005-63118

YATES PETROLEUM CORP
 ■ ZIGGY "ARC" STATE #1
 COYOTE; T11S, R27E, SEC 12; 990
 FNL 2310 FEL; EL: 3744 GR; SPUD:
 3/31/97; COMP 5/30/97; TD 2750,
 PBTD 1243; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 1034 TO
 2719; IP 2 BOPD, 0 MCFPD, 50 BWPD;
 API # 30-005-63125

EDDY COUNTY

DEVON ENERGY CORP
 ■ EAGLE "33A" FEDERAL #1
 RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 33; 330
 FNL 990 FEL; EL: 3485 GR; SPUD
 4/3/97; COMP 5/1/97; TD 2599, PBTD
 2555; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH
 TREATED PERFS 1884 TO 2332; IP 41
 BO, 41 MCFPD, 315 BWPD; API # 30-
 015-29106

DEVON ENERGY CORP
 ■ EAGLE "34A" FEDERAL #1
 RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 34; 330
 FNL 990 FEL; EL: 3526 GR; SPUD
 3/3/97; COMP 3/17/97; TD 2699, PBTD
 2654; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH
 TREATED PERFS 1903 TO 2400; IP 44
 BOPD, 66 MCFPD, 439 BWPD; API #
 30-015-29018

DEVON ENERGY CORP
 ■ EAGLE "34D" FEDERAL #7
 RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 34; 330
 FNL 330 FSL; EL: 3515 GR; SPUD
 3/30/97; COMP 4/18/97; TD 2649,
 PBTD 2604; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 1942 TO
 2356; IP 35 BOPD, 35 MCFPD, 570
 BWPD; API # 30-015-29095

MARBOS ENERGY CORP
 ■ BURCH KEELY UNIT #269
 GB JACKSON; T17S, R30E, SEC 19;
 2515 FNL 330 FEL; EL: 3621 GR;
 SPUD 6/8/97; COMP 6/26/97; TD 4800,
 PBTD 4788; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH PERFS 4290 TO 4630; IP 75
 BOPD, 111 MCFPD, 646 BWPD; API #
 30-015-29510

ANADARKO PET CORP
 ■ BALLARD GB/SA UNIT #1560
 LOCO HILLS; 1560 FSL 1285 FSL; EL:
 3527 GR; SPUD 3/4/97; COMP 5/10/97;
 TD 3155; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH
 TREATED FRACTURED PERFS 2463
 TO 2643; IP 17 BOPD, 6 MCFPD, 93
 BWPD; API # 30-015-29267

KERSEY & CO
 ■ PARKCHESTER "24" STATE #1
 EAST MILLMAN; T19S, R28E, SEC 24;
 1980 FSL 1650 FEL; EL: 3368 GL;
 SPUD 12/18/96; COMP 1/23/97; TD
 11320, PBTD 2396; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 2208 TO
 2216; (REENTRY OF MEWBOURNE OIL
 CO, P&A OLD TD 11,320); IP 17 BOPD,
 6 MCFPD, 93 BWPD; API # 30-015-
 27722

POGO PROD CO
 ■ LOST TANK "4" FEDERAL #3
 WEST LOST TANK; T22S, R31E, SEC
 4; 330 FNL 330 FEL; EL: 3463 GL;
 SPUD 5/3/97; COMP 5/27/97; TD 8150,
 PBTD 8102; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 2208 TO
 2216; IP 32 BOPD, 13 MCFPD, 64
 BWPD; API # 30-015-29617

DEVON ENERGY CORP
 ■ TODD "24P" FEDERAL #16;
 INGLE WELLS; T23S, R31E, SEC 24;
 760 FSL 660 FEL; EL: 3559 GL; SPUD
 3/31/97; COMP 5/21/97; TD 8652,
 PBTD 8656; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7175 TO
 8376; IP 193 BOPD, 162 MCFPD, 355
 BWPD; API # 30-015-27695

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 ■ PATTON "17" FEDERAL #2
 POKER LAKE; T24S, R31E, SEC 17;
 1650 FSL 2250 FSL; EL: 3513 GL;
 SPUD 5/8/97; COMP 6/7/97; TD 9700,
 PBTD 9452; PRODUCTION IS

THROUGH PERFS 8122 TO 8161; IPF
 286 BOPD, 380 MCFPD; API # 30-015-
 29604

LEA COUNTY

YATES PETROLEUM
 ■ CITIES SERVICE AQP STATE #1
 KEMNITZ; T16S, R34E, SEC 13; 660
 FNL 660 FSL; EL: 4085 DF; SPUD
 12/30/96; COMP 3/1/97; TD 13460,
 PBTD 13367; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH PERFS 13238 TO 13257;
 IPF 2977 MCFPD; RE-ENTRY OF
 CITIES SERVICES OIL CO STATE "AV"
 #1, P&A, OLD TD 11450; API # 30-025-
 01910

MANZANO OIL CORP
 ■ "SV" BIG BERTHA #1
 NO LOVINGTON; T16S, R36E, SEC 11;
 2081 FNL 1870 FSL; EL: 3893 GL;
 SPUD 5/9/97; COMP 7/7/97; TD 10900,
 PBTD 10675; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 10592 TO
 10599; IPF 150 BOPD, 210 MCFPD, 30
 BWPD; API # 30-025-33883

TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
 ■ NEW MEXICO "O" STATE NCT-1 #39
 VACUUM; T17S, R34E, SEC 36; 2075
 FNL 2110 FEL; EL: 3997 GR; SPUD
 12/31/96; COMP 6/10/97; TD 103000,
 PBTD 10100; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 9303 TO
 10048; IP 144 BOPD, 73 MCFPD, 70
 BWPD; API # 30-025-33569

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 ■ HOOVER 32 #3
 VACUUM; T17S, R35E, SEC 32; 1950
 FSL 380 FEL; EL: 3951 GL; SPUD
 3/31/97; COMP 5/31/97; TD 8213,
 PBTD 8118; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH PERFS 7734 TO 8035; IP 17
 BOPD, 9 MCFPD, 31 BWPD; API # 30-
 025-33875

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 ■ NEW MEXICO "E" ST NCT-2 #1
 MONUMENT; T19S, R36E, SEC 23;
 1650 FSL 1980 FSL; EL: 3729 GL;
 SPUD 2/27/97; COMP 4/3/97; TD 7750,
 PBTD 7740; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED FRACTURED
 PERFS 7436 TO 7682; IP 272 BOPD,
 273 MCFPD, 321 BWPD; API # 30-025-
 33814

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 ■ BERTHA BARBER #16
 MONUMENT; T20S, R37E, SEC 5; 2140
 FSL 1650 FSL; EL: 3560 GL; SPUD
 5/12/97; COMP 6/25/97; TD 7800,
 PBTD 7524; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7204 TO
 7230; IPF 229 BOPD, 620 MCFPD, 2
 BWPD; API # 30-025-33919

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 8; 250 FNL 1135 FSL; EL: 3576 GL;
 SPUD 2/25/97; COMP 5/10/97; TD
 4038, PBTD 4028; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 3840 TO
 3966; IP 4 BOPD, 10 MCFPD, 67
 BWPD; API # 30-025-33800

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 JUSTIS; T24S, R37E, SEC 35; EL:
 3186; SPUD 12/27/96; COMP 1/24/97;
 TD 6500, PBTD 6328; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED FRACTURED
 PERFS 5168 TO 6282; IP 93 BOPD, 73
 MCFPD, 136 BWPD; API # 30-025-
 33382

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ULTRA OIL & GAS INC
 ■ AUSTIN NO 10 W PFLUGER
 DARE 1 (HOPE OIL); JOHANN MAHR
 SUR, A-633; 1546 FSL 1314 FEL OF
 LSE; 7 MILES SW OF EDEN; EL: 2067;
 CONTR: DUDLEY DRILLING; TD 1780,
 PBTD 1719; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH PERFS 1571 TO 1595; IP
 168 BOPD, TRACE MCF

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 ■ #1-125 FRITZ
 WEST MILLERSVIEW (CAMAR SAND
 OIL); T&NO RR CO SUR, A-890; 2280
 FNL 500 FEL OF SUR; 4 MILES W OF
 MILLERSVIEW; EL: 1748 GR; CONTR:
 DUDLEY DRILLING CO; TD 3250, PBTD
 3122; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH

PERFS 3038 TO 3042; IPF 61 BOPD,
 25000 CFGD, 0 BWPD

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 ■ #6 BAGGETT "C"
 HUNT BAGGETT (STRAWN GAS);
 GC&SF RR CO SUR; 2650 FSL 2380
 FSL OF SUR; 11 MILES SSE OF
 OZONA; EL: 2415 GR; CONTR: PAT-
 TERSON DRILLING; TD 9913, PBTD
 9889; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH
 TREATED PERFS 9425-9554; AOF
 789100 CFGPD

IRION COUNTY

HALLWOOD PETROLEUM INC
 ■ ROCKER B "LL" #6
 SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR
 CO SUR; 1980 FNL 1980 FSL OF
 SUR; 12 MILES NE OF BIGLAKE; EL:
 2467 GR; CONTR: DEL MAR DRILLING
 CO; TD 6535; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4639 TO
 6428; 39 BOPD, 3900 CFMCFD, 34
 BWPD

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 ■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT # 772
 SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR
 CO SUR, BLK 37, SEC 40; 660 FSL
 7260 FSL OF LSE; 16 MILES NW OF
 STILES; EL: 2707; SPUD 11/13/96;
 COMP 2/13/97; TD 9197, PBTD 7632;
 PRODUCTION IS THROUGH VERTICAL
 PERFS 6902 TO 7790; IP 15 BOPD, 0
 MCFD, 32 BWPD; PERMIT # 452918;
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TIDAL PETROLEUM INC
 ■ SCHERTZ # 2
 CAMAR, NORTH (CANYON SAND OIL);
 J F WILHELM SUR; 600 FSL 3200 FSL
 OF SUR; 50 MILES ENE OF ELDORA-
 DO; EL: 2255; CONTR: CLEERE
 DRILLING CO; TD 4300, PBTD 4270;
 PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED
 PERFS 4150 TO 4160; IP 15 BOPD, 0
 MCFD, 2 BWPD

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LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
 ■ # 12 PFLUGER "105"
 SAWYER (CANYON GAS); TWNG RR
 CO SUR; 2551 FSL 2063 FSL OF SUR;
 18 MILES SE OF SONORA; EL: 2285
 GR; CONTR: WEST-TEX DRILLING; TD
 5600, PBTD 5544; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 5142 TO
 5298; AOF 379000 CFGPD

LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
 ■ # 15 JONES "118"
 SAWYER (CANYON GAS); HE&WT RR
 CO SUR; 1775 FNL 537 FSL OF SUR;
 7.1 MILES SW OF SONORA; EL: 2050;
 CONTR: WEST-TEX DRILLING; TD
 5800, PBTD 5702; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED FRACTURED
 PERFS 5038 TO 5538; AOF 325000
 CFGPD

LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
 ■ # 4 SIMMONS "73"
 SAWYER (STRAWN, NORTH GAS);
 GC&SF RR CO SUR; 900 FNL 1680
 FSL OF SUR; 8 MILES NW OF SONO-
 RA; CONTR: WEST-TEX DRILLING; TD
 8000, PBTD 7992; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7931 TO
 7944; AOF 171000 CFGPD

LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
 ■ #10 DAVID "109"
 SAWYER (CANYON GAS); TWNG RR
 CO SUR; 2060 FSL 1574 FSL SUR; 13
 MILES S OF SONORA; EL: 2253 GR;
 CONTR: WEST-TEX DRILLING; TD 5700,
 PBTD 5618; PRODUCTION IS
 THROUGH TREATED PERFS 5204 TO
 5244; AOF 503000 CFGPD

LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
 ■ #5 WILSON "32"
 SAWYER (CANYON GAS); TTRR CO
 SUR, 660 FNL 1100 FSL OF SUR; EL:
 2077 GR; CONTR: WEST-TEX
 DRILLING; TD 6750, PBTD 5814; PRO-
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Ultra finals Wyoming deal

The acquisition by Ultra Petroleum Corp. of Burlington's Resources Oil and Gas Company's interest in approximately 80 sections in the Pinedale Anticline area of the Green River Basin in Wyoming, has now closed. The purchase price was approximately \$11,260,000.

The company has closed the special warrant private placement sponsored by Canaccord Capital Corp., previously announced May 14, 1997. The terms of the private placement are for 2,756,000 special warrants at a price of \$4.02 per warrant. Each special warrant is convertible at no extra cost into one common share and one non-transferable share purchase warrant. Each whole share purchase warrant will entitle the holder to purchase an additional common share of the company at a price of \$4.02 per share if exercised at any time on or before 4:00 p.m. (Vancouver time) on August 7, 1998 and thereafter at a price of \$4.62 per share if exercised on or before 4:00 p.m. (Vancouver time) August 7, 1999. An additional 994,000 special warrants having the same terms were placed on a non-brokered basis.

The special warrants and the securities for which the special warrants are exchangeable are subject to a one year hold period expiring at midnight on August 7, 1998 unless an Exchange Offering Prospectus is issued qualifying the earlier conversion of the special warrants. It is intended that such an exchange offering prospectus will be filled with the Vancouver Stock Exchange and the BC Securities Commission and the company had agreed to use its best effort to obtain a receipt for the final prospectus no later than 120 days after the receipt of the funds. Should the company fail to obtain a receipt for the final prospectus by such time, each special warrant will then be exchangeable for 1.10 units of the company.

PITTS: Price protection makes sense

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rel, the producer will be paid \$2 per barrel. On the other hand, if prices soar to \$28, it is the producer that has to pay \$2 per barrel.

Young says EOTT Energy is able to take advantage of purchasing and trading volumes and offer the plan to producers with as little as 33 barrels per day. "We suggest, however, that operators pledge only a portion of their daily production to SMARTT pricing," said Young, "and that portion be relative to their needs."

"Enron developed the concept four years ago, when it became aware of the need for hedging on the part of some of our smaller producers," said Young.

"As a major purchaser of crude oil, through Enron Oil Trading & Transportation, we realized some customers needed to exercise price risk management, but were unable to do so economically or logistically at NYMEX."

With SMARTT pricing, Young said smaller producers are able to take advantage of Enron economies of

'It doesn't have all the smoke and mirrors of futures trading, and you don't have to watch a computer screen all day to plan your entry and exit from the market.'

— Norman L. Young,
Guest Speaker

scale to hedge. In March 1994, EOTT was spun off as a limited partnership, but kept the EOTT designation for name recognition pur-

poses.

Young called SMARTT pricing a flexible plan that producers could understand. "It doesn't have all the smoke and mirrors of futures trading, and you don't have to watch a computer screen all day to plan your entry and exit from the market."

With producers taking more and more control of their destiny with new technology and cost cutting controls, Young says it is time more producers took control of their destiny with risk management. It is advice more and more producers seem to be taking, because starting from zero four years ago, EOTT Energy is now trading in excess of 200,000 barrels a month.

John Pitts is oil editor of the Midland Reporter Telegram.

New business creates earnings increase for ICO

HOUSTON — ICO, Inc. reported financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 1997. Strong internal growth, new business lines and acquisitions combined to produce revenue of \$55.3 million in the quarter, an 86% increase over the year earlier quarter's \$29.7 million. Revenue growth, solid performance in Oilfield Services and improving results in Petrochemical Processing resulted in earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization of \$6.8 million, a 71% increase over the 1996 quarter's \$4.0 million, and operating income of \$3.9 million, a 113% increase over the 1996 quarter's \$1.8 million. Pre-tax income of \$3.0 million was 53% above the 1996 quarter's \$1.9 million, as net interest expense increased by \$1.0 million due in large part to the Company's successful placement of Senior Notes on June 9, 1997. Net income for the quarter was \$1.6 million (\$.05 per share), 14%

above the 1996 quarter's \$1.4 million (\$.06 per share), as strong growth in pre-tax earnings was partially offset by a significant increase in the Company's effective tax rate, from 26.4% in the 1996 quarter to 45.2% in the 1997 quarter. The higher reported income tax rate is primarily the result of the reversal during the 1996 quarter of the Company's income tax valuation allowance, the increase of non-deductible goodwill amortization and, to a lesser extent, the mix of net income between U.S. and foreign operations.

Oilfield Services revenues increased 12.5% to \$25.8 million for the quarter from \$22.9 million in the 1996 period, entirely due to internal growth. Oilfield Services produced revenue growth across the board, with particularly strong growth in corrosion control, and in international operations. New products continued to contribute to Oilfield Services'

revenue growth, particularly within the corrosion control business line. Oilfield Services' gross margin increased to 32.2% from 29.8% in the 1996 quarter due to

increased volume and improved pricing in certain operations. Oilfield Services produced operating income of \$4.2 million, a 17.4% increase over the 1996 peri-

od. The Company expects continued strong demand for its Oilfield Services, driven by the growing demand for oil and gas and the resulting level of oilfield activity.

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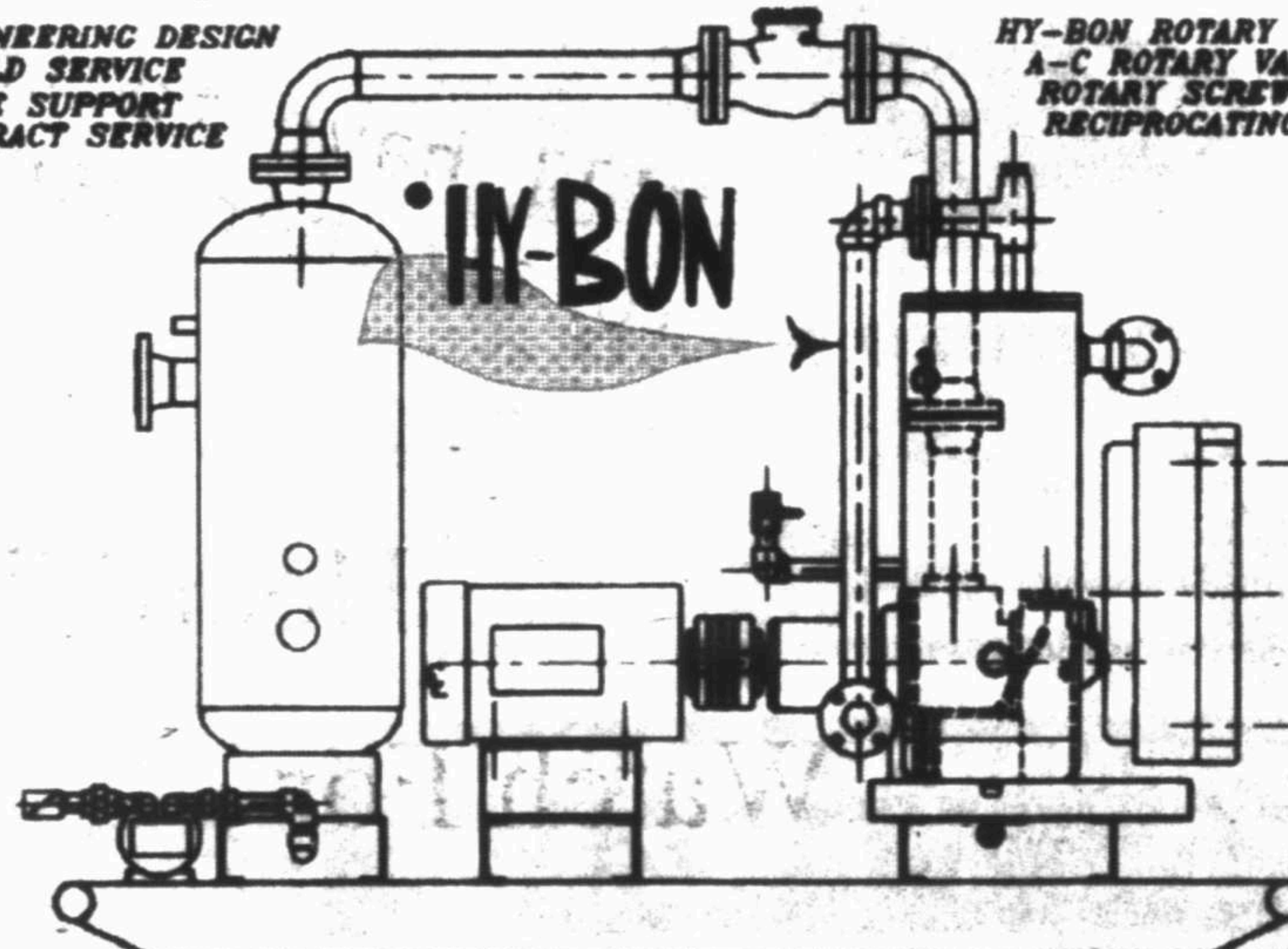
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SUR; 845 FNL 649 FEL SUR; 3.25
MILES S OF MIDKIFF; EL: 2724;
CONTR: FWA DRILLING; TD 8800;
PBD 8764; PRODUCTION IS
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8655; 33 BOPD, 32000 CFD, 138
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PSL SUR, BLK C-23, SEC 24; 1980
FSL 1980 FWL OF LSE; 10 MILES SE
OF KERMIT; EL: 2891 GR; CONTR:
S&N WELL SERVICE; SPUD 7/18/97;
COMP 7/21/97; TD 6614, PBD 6614;
PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED
PERFS 4938 TO 4972; IP 188 BOPD,
88 MCFP, 27 BWPD; PERMIT # 465100;
API # 42-495-31011

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FUHRMAN-MASCHO (YATES); UL SUR,
BLK 13, SEC 17; 467 FSL 467 FWL OF
LSE; 12 MILES NW OF ANDREWS; EL:
3286 GR; CONTR: V & B DRILLING;
SPUD 6/26/96; COMP 7/1/96; TD 4550,
PBD 4281; PRODUCTION IS
THROUGH TREATED FRACTURED
PERFS 2884 TO 3070; NO TEST; API #
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CROSSETT (DEVONIAN); H & TC
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35, SEC 46; 3987 FNL 4673 FNL OF
LSE; 7 MILES S OF CRANE; EL: 2351
GR; CONTR: NORTON DRILG CO;
SPUD: 3/2/97, COMP: 3/23/97; TD
6959 MD; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH
PERFS 5536 TO 6959; IPF 72 BOPD,
752 MCFD, 92 BWPD; PERMIT #
457488; API # 42-103-34460
BURLINGTON RES. O & G CO
■ W N WADDELL ET AL # 1509
SAND HILLS EAST (ELLENBURGER);
PSL SUR, BLK B-26, SEC 21; 7241 FSL
9284 FEL OF LSE; 20 MILES NW OF
CRANE; EL: 2655 GR; CONTR: BRW
DRILLING CO; SPUD 5/6/97; COMP
6/25/97; TD 5961, PBD 5790; PRO-
DUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED
PERFS 5696 TO 5776; IP 510 BWPD,
240 MCFP, 129 BWPD; API # 42-103-
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SUR, BLK 2, SEC 16; 4137 FSEL 5370
FEL OF SUR; 12 MILES SW OF
CRANE; EL: 2355 GL; CONTR:
NABORS; SPUD 1/22/97; COMP
2/12/97; TD 5710, PBD 5670; PRO-
DUCTION IS THROUGH FRACTURED
TREATED PERFS 5456 TO 5586; IP 45
BOPD, 71 MCFD, 71 BWPD; PERMIT #
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TIS/S F 4416 SUR, BLK A, SEC 139;
674 FNL 660 FWL OF LSE; 5 MILES
SW OF TARZAN; EL: 2806 GL; CONTR:
FWA; SPUD 12/5/96; COMP 12/20/96;
TD 8327, PBD 6878; PRODUCTION IS
THROUGH TREATED PERFS 6878 TO
9053; IP 25 BOPD, 19 MCFD, 15
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SPRAYBERRY (TREND AREA); T & P RR
CO SUR, BLK 41, T4S, SEC 1; 660 FNL
1980 FEL OF LSE; 21 MILES SW OF
MIDLAND; EL: 2896 GR; CO TR: V&B;

SPUD 4/29/97; COMP 5/15/97; TD:
9950, PBD 9881; PRODUCTION IS
THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7930 TO
9600; IP 112 BOPD, 87 MCFD, 81
BWPD; PERMIT # 461490; API # 42-
329-33720

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LP

■ E T O'DANIEL #26
SPRAYBERRY (TREND AREA); T & P RR

CO SUR, BLK 27, T2S, SEC 3; 1467
FNL 2525 FEL OF LSE; 14 MILES SE
OF MIDLAND; EL: 2650 GL; SPUD
5/23/96; COMP 9/20/96; TD 8048,
PBD 7304; PRODUCTION IS
THROUGH PERFS 7094 TO 8048; IP 5
BOPD, 3 MCFD, 114 BWPD; PERMIT #
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2000 FEL OF LSE; 11 MILES E OF
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Titan reports stronger earnings

Midland-based, Titan Exploration, Inc. has announced net income of \$1.7 million on revenues of \$16.2 million for the second quarter, compared to net income of \$1,000 on revenues of \$3.5 million for the same quarter in 1996.

Management says the increases are primarily attributable to production from the 1996 acquisition and continued exploitation of the company's proved properties. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and exploration expense for the quarter was approximately \$10.0 million (\$0.28 per share) as compared to \$1.6 million (\$0.07 per share) for the quarter in 1996.

Jack Hightower, Titan's Chairman and CEO, said, "The significant increases in production continue to support our belief in the upside potential of the 1996 Acquisition properties. Absent an unexpectedly high level of dry holes in the company's high impact drilling program or production shut-ins due to circumstances beyond the compa-

ny's control, we anticipate achieving an 18,000 boe/d exit rate by year end 1997. Of course, if we were to complete an acquisition, the numbers would be higher."

Oil and gas sales totaled 1.4 million barrels of oil equivalent for the quarter ended June 30, 1997. Oil sales totaled approximately 464 thousand barrels of oil and natural gas sales totaled 5.6 billion cubic feet of gas. Average daily oil and gas sales for the period were approximately 5.1 mbo/d and 61.1 mmcf/d, or 15.3 mboe/d. Average daily oil and gas sales for April, May and June 1997 were 15.0, 15.4 and 15.5 mboe/d, respectively. Field production estimates as of the end of June, 1997 approximated 16.1 mboe/d, an increase of 40% over the December 31, 1996 exit rate of 11.5 mboe/d.

Average reported well-head realizations for oil for April, May and June, and for the quarter ended June 30, 1997 were \$17.57, \$18.03, \$16.92 and \$17.51 per barrel, respectively, and for natural gas were \$1.50, \$1.50, \$1.34 and \$1.45 per mcf, respectively.

June reported natural gas realizations were lower than actual well-head prices received due to the recording in June of \$340,000 in downward adjustments for prior periods. Actual natural gas realizations for the month of June, 1997, before adjustments, averaged \$1.56 per mcf.

For the six months ended June 30, 1997, net income was \$4.0 million (\$0.11 per share) on revenues of \$34.2 million compared to net income of \$150,000 (\$0.01 per share) on revenues of \$6.8 million for the corresponding period ended June 30, 1996. The increases are primarily attributable to production from the 1996 Acquisition and continued exploitation of the Company's proved properties. EBITDAX for the six months ended June 30, 1997 was \$20.0 million (\$0.56 per share) compared to \$3.1 million (\$0.14 per share) for the corresponding period ended June 30, 1996.

Oil and gas sales for the six months ended June 30, 1997 totaled approximately 895 mbo and 10.3 bcg, or

approximately 2.6 mmboe. Average daily oil and gas sales for the same period were approximately 4.9 mbo/d and 56.9 mmcf/d, or 14.4 mboe/d. Average reported well-head realizations for oil for the six months ended June 30, 1997 were \$19.29 per barrel, and for natural gas, \$1.64 per mcf.

The company says it had approximately \$6 million in extraordinary rework expenses, mostly for the replacement of rods, tubing, flow lines, surface equipment and stimulation. Titan says the expenses will continue but at a lower rate for the remainder of 1997.

Titan is currently drilling two operated wells on proved undeveloped locations. A third rig will begin drilling the Bradshaw 4 in the Penasco Draw Upper Penn field within two weeks. In addition, Titan currently has eleven workover rigs running on its operated leases. The Company is also participating in a 16 well drilling program in which it has a 6.7% working interest (W/I) with another operator.

Of the wells presently drilling, the Rosa Mitchell is the most significant. Located in the Puckett Ellenburger Field, it is being drilled as a replacement well to the Rosa Mitchell 1L well and as a direct offset to the Robbins 3 (currently producing at the rate of approximately 11 mmcf/d). The well is cased to the top of the Ellenburger (at 13,900 feet true vertical depth) and is drilling laterally at 14,443 feet measured depth. Current inclination angle is approximately 590 with gas flow rates on bit trips indicative of a strong well with a 100' flare. Titan owns a 76% W/I in this well.

The Company is in the process of interpreting a 41 square mile 3-D seismic shoot over its existing MiVida production and extending beyond the known limits of the field. As a result, the Company has preliminarily identified two additional drilling locations and three sidetrack opportunities and plans to drill an unproven location to the Fusselman formation commencing in the third quarter 1997.

IPAA begins search for Denise Bode replacement

To help find the new Independent Petroleum Association of America president, IPAA has brought in the firm Consensus Management Group, said George Alcorn, chairman of the IPAA search

committee.

"IPAA is committed to a thorough search for a new IPAA president and it has gotten off to an excellent start," said Alcorn. "Finding the right person to lead the association

is extremely important and the IPAA Search Committee is counting on the expertise of the folks at Consensus Management Group to help us do the job."

Former IPAA president

Denise Bode resigned her position to accept an appointment by Governor Frank Keating to the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. Currently, IPAA Senior Vice President Roy Willis is acting president.

"We hope to have the search completed and our new president named by the IPAA annual meeting in November," said Lew O. Ward, chairman of IPAA. "However, we will take more time if necessary."

Lower prices, production result in Parallel decline

Due to a 15 percent decrease in average oil and gas prices and an eight percent decline in production, Parallel Petroleum Corp., reports revenues and earnings declined in the second quarter.

For the second quarter, revenues were \$2.7 million, compared to \$3.4 million a year earlier. Net income was \$533,000, or three cents per share, compared to \$1.0 million, or six cents per share, in the same period a year ago when 15 percent fewer weighted average shares were outstanding. Operating cash flow was \$1.6 million, or nine cents per share, in the most recent quarter, compared to \$2.3 million, or 15 cents per share, in the same period a year ago.

For the six months ended June 30, 1997, revenues increased by 17 percent to \$6.7 million from \$5.7 million in the same period last year due to a nine percent increase in oil and gas production and a seven percent increase in average prices received. Net income increased 14 percent to \$1.8 million, or 10 cents per share, in the most recent peri-

od, compared to \$1.6 million, also equal to 10 cents per share, in the same six months of 1996. Operating cash flow increased by 18 percent to \$4.5 million, or 25 cents per share, in the first six months of 1997, compared to \$3.8 million, also equal to 25 cents per share, in the same period last year.

Larry C. Oldham, president, commented that unusually wet

conditions onshore the Texas Gulf Coast, in the Yegua/Frio/Wilcox Gas Trend area, resulted in operational delays during the first six months of 1997. "The conditions caused by heavy and sustained periods of rain made it virtually impossible to conduct drilling and seismic operations," he said.

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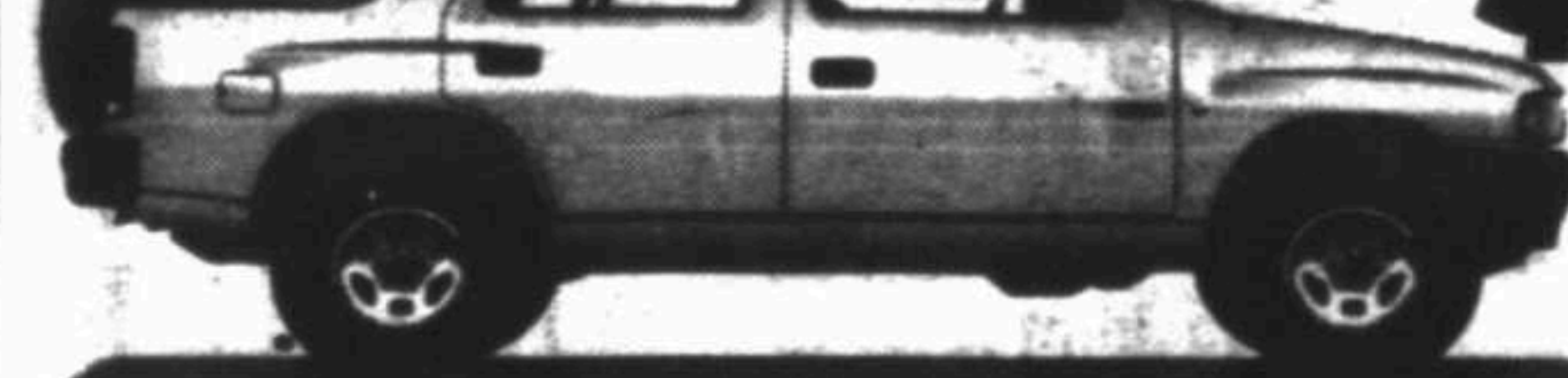
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Baker Hughes falls short in improved oil service market

By Mary Schlangenstern
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Houston — Life should be sweet at Baker Hughes Inc., one of the biggest and oldest names in oil drilling equipment.

Demand for Baker's products is booming. Its revenue surged 14 percent in the first six months of this year, and its third-quarter profits were up 37 percent from a year ago.

Yet Baker hasn't matched the performance of key rivals, who've pulled ahead of the Houston-based company in the race to exploit the worldwide surge in spending on the search for petroleum.

"Its competitors have been able to obtain better pricing," said William Herbert, an analyst with Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs.

Baker's stock shows it's lagging. Shares rose 43 percent in the last year compared with a 63 percent climb for the Standard & Poor's index of oil service shares, a gauge that includes Baker and five other industry leaders.

Because of the boom,

investors have no patience for anything but stellar performance. Despite its big third-quarter gain, Baker shares plunged 8.7 percent when it reported earnings on July 23 because they fell a penny short of analysts' estimates.

While Baker said the earnings performance was unacceptable, it has a business strategy that will pay off in the long run.

"We think we're in the second inning and there is a lot of game left," said Gary Flaharty, Baker Hughes spokesman.

Baker's problems are mostly the result of a hesitant management philosophy born out of more than 10 years of hard times, analysts said.

Plunging oil prices forced the 1987 merger that united Baker Oil Tools and Hughes Tool — industry leaders that invented many key pieces of oil drilling equipment. Howard Hughes Jr. used the fortune created by Hughes Tool to buy Trans World Airlines and movie studio RKO. By the early 1980s, both companies were in dire straits as four-fifths of the

U.S. market dried up. Between 1982 and 1986, U.S. companies' expenditures for oil exploration fell from about \$40 billion to \$8 billion. After the merger, Baker Hughes survived by cutting to the bone, axing about 7,000 jobs over the last 10 years. That attitude of retrenchment left Baker unable to respond quickly to the recovery of the oil services business in 1995, analysts said.

"There are degrees of caution, and Baker may have remained overly cautious for too long," said Geoffrey Kiebertz, a Salomon Brothers Inc. analyst. Baker failed to hire quickly enough to meet rising demand, and didn't put enough into research and development, analysts said. Inadequate investment in technology contributed to Baker's inability to charge as much as competitors this year in the \$1 billion a year drill bit market, analysts said. Its bit technology is a year behind the best in the industry, analysts said, limiting its revenue growth.

In the quarter ended June 30, Baker's revenue from bit

sales rose 11 percent. At competitor Smith International Inc., bit revenue rose 37 percent, and at Camco International Inc., about 25 percent.

Baker's trying to hire quickly to keep up with demand, adding 5 percent more workers in the third quarter alone. Yet that hiring spree has cut into profits.

Profit margins from oil-field operations were 18 percent instead of an expected 20 percent, Houston-based Baker said. That performance looks even worse measured against the 38 percent margins the oilfield unit has posted on average over the last five years.

Baker is taking steps to catch up, and the oil services boom is expected to give it the time and money needed to do so. The company plans to introduce new drill bits early in 1998, and it appointed Andrew Szescila to the newly created position of president of Baker Hughes Oilfield Operations. Part of his job will be overseeing technological development.

Baker also has begun a

\$200 million program to improve the company's business practices. The program is designed to save about \$100 million a year. Still, several analysts said Baker's plan may not be the right prescription. "Rather than be worried about some (management information system), they should be worried about delivering products in the field at the right price, at the right time and in the right volume," said Byron Dunn, a Dillon Read & Co. analyst.

The company said it's going to find solutions to its problems. "We expected to be able to deliver" a 20 percent profit margin, Flaharty said. "Were we aggressive enough on pricing, did we have higher costs in some areas? We're trying to address all those issues."

Analysts expect Baker Hughes to have few more bumpy quarters, although most agree the long-term outlook remains positive if demand for oil drilling services continues to grow.

"There is a lot of change that needs to go on," Kiebertz said.

Arco Artic drilling rig is target of Greenpeace protest

By Nora Macaluso
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Washington — Greenpeace, the environmental activist group, said it's trying to stop Atlantic Richfield Co. from towing an oil platform to a site next to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

The group said it also filed for a temporary restraining order in Los Angeles District Court, seeking to stop Arco's exploratory drilling operation in the region. A company spokesman said Arco would challenge the motion.

The Greenpeace ship MV Arctic Sunrise has positioned itself near the rig,

which is waiting in Alaska's Prudhoe Bay to be towed about 70 miles east to Camden Bay, said Arco spokesman Albert Greenstein.

"We're looking at a course of action" to take if the vessel is still there when the tugs arrive to tow the platform, Greenstein said. The company probably will seek a restraining order against Greenpeace to stop the group's "illegal and unsafe" action, he said. "We're assessing the situation right now," he said.

Arco wants to have the rig in place by the end of the month so that drilling can begin in November, Greenstein said.

Greenpeace criticized the

Clinton administration for allowing drilling in the area adjacent to the wildlife refuge, and for considering oil exploration even as a climate-change treaty is being considered.

"Drilling for new oil in the face of overwhelming scientific evidence of global warming is irresponsible," said Steve Sawyer, leader of the Arctic Sunrise venture. "President Clinton has stated that he finds the evidence for human-induced climate-change 'compelling,'" he said. "The president needs to make up his mind."

Greenpeace plans to release a report on the Clinton administration's "aggressive leasing" of

federal waters off Alaska and the effects of climate change on the Arctic.

Meanwhile, Greenpeace activists have chained themselves to the legs of a mobile drilling rig operated by British Petroleum Co. in

the North Sea. Company officials said yesterday that the occupation wouldn't delay production from the Foinaven oil field. Still, delays are costing BP \$100,000 to \$120,000 a day.

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UNIVERSITY 39-21 "B" # 1 WAR-WINK E. (7000); ULS SUR, BLK 21, SEC 39; 470.5 FNL 660 FWL OF LSE; 6 MILES SW OF WINK; EL: 2753 GL; CONTR: NABORS; SPUD 3/28/97; COMP 4/19/97; TD 8000, PBTD 7180; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 6766 TO 6778; IP 31 BOPD, 14 MCFD, 174 BWP; PERMIT # 456040; API # 42-495-32616

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GARZA COUNTY

PATTERSON PETROLEUM INC

JOHN #4 HAPPY (SPRABERRY LIME); T & NO RR CO SUR, BLK 2, SEC 30; 615 FWL 3452 FSL OF LSE; 15 MILES S OF POST; EL: 2382 GL; CONTR: PATTERSON DRILLING CO; SPUD 7/10/97; COMP 7/19/97; TD 5110, PBTD 5072; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4922 TO 4958; IPF 130 BOPD, 30 MCFD, 0 BWP; API # 42-169-33467

PALMER OIL PROPERTIES

LOTT LLB "A" #3 ROXI (SPRABERRY); H & W T RR CO SUR, BLK 31, SEC 305; 467 FNL 467 FEL OF LSE; 14 MILES SW OF POST; EL: 2896 GR; CONTR: PALMER CONST; SPUD 3/6/97; COMP 3/25/97; TD 5853, PBTD 5853; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 5722 TO 5742; IP 35 BOPD, MCF TSTM, 140 BWP; PERMIT # 458114; API # 42-169-33437

WHEELER OPERATING CORPORATION

CONNELL ESTATE "937" # 19 POST (GLORIETA); H & TC RR CO SUR, BLK 97, SEC 880; 990 FSL 978 FWL OF LSE; 5 MILES NW OF JUSTICEBURG; EL: 2286 GR; CONTR: PALMER OILFIELD CONST; SPUD 2/8/97; COMP 2/11/97; TD 2525; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 2410 TO 2525; IP 4 BOPD, (1 MCFD, 44 BWP; PERMIT # 457274; API # 42-169-33433

GAINES COUNTY

APACHE CORPORATION

G-M-K SAN ANDRES UNIT #717 G-M-K (SAN ANDRES); W T RR CO SUR, BLK O, SEC 65; 3904 FSL 1827 FEL OF LSE; 9 MILES SSE OF SEAGRAVES; EL: 3251 GR; CONTR: NORTON DRILLING; SPUD 3/2/97; COMP 3/25/97; TD 5700, PBTD 5690; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 5520 TO 5658; IP 60 BOPD, 16 MCFD, 515 BWP; PERMIT # 458391; API # 42-165-35128

HOCKLEY COUNTY

ALTURA ENERGY LTD

SOUTHEAST LEVELLAND UNIT # 352 LEVELLAND; RAINS C S L SUR, LGE 44, LAB 6; 3394 FNL 7806 FWL OF LSE; 5 MILES SW OF LEVELLAND; EL: 3585 GR; CONTR: NORTON DRG CO; SPUD 1/1/97; COMP 1/10/97; TD 4930, PBTD 4930; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4698 TO 4930; IP 75 BOPD, 18 MCFD, 201 BWP; PERMIT # 456585; API # 42-219-36310

SCURRY COUNTY

JOHNSON ROYALTIES INC

LOIS ALLEN #1 SHARON RIDGE (CLEARFORK); H & TC RR CO SUR, BLK 97, SEC 159; 330 FWL 990 FSL OF LSE; 4 MILES NW OF IRA; EL: 2307 GL; CONTR: J C WELLS DRG; SPUD 3/2/97; COMP 3/10/97; TD 3425, PBTD 3425; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH PERFS 2370 TO 3328; IP

20.94 BOPD, MCF TSTM, 110 BWP; PERMIT # 457954; API # 42-415-33527

TERRY COUNTY

TEXT AND RECTOR & SCHUMACHER

AMOCO-BROWN #3 PRENTICE (6700); PSL/ WM STINETT, BLK K, SEC 24; 440 FWL 1450 FNL OF LSE; 5 MILES N TOKIO; EL: 3554 GR; CONTR: SITTON DRILLING; SPUD

3/6/97; COMP 3/23/97; TD 6850, PBTD 6800; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 6668 TO 6755; IP 80 BWP, 22 MCFD, 170 BWP; PERMIT # 457338; API # 42-445-31808

YOAKUM COUNTY

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DENVER UNIT # 3855 WASSON; J H GIBSON SURVEY, BLK

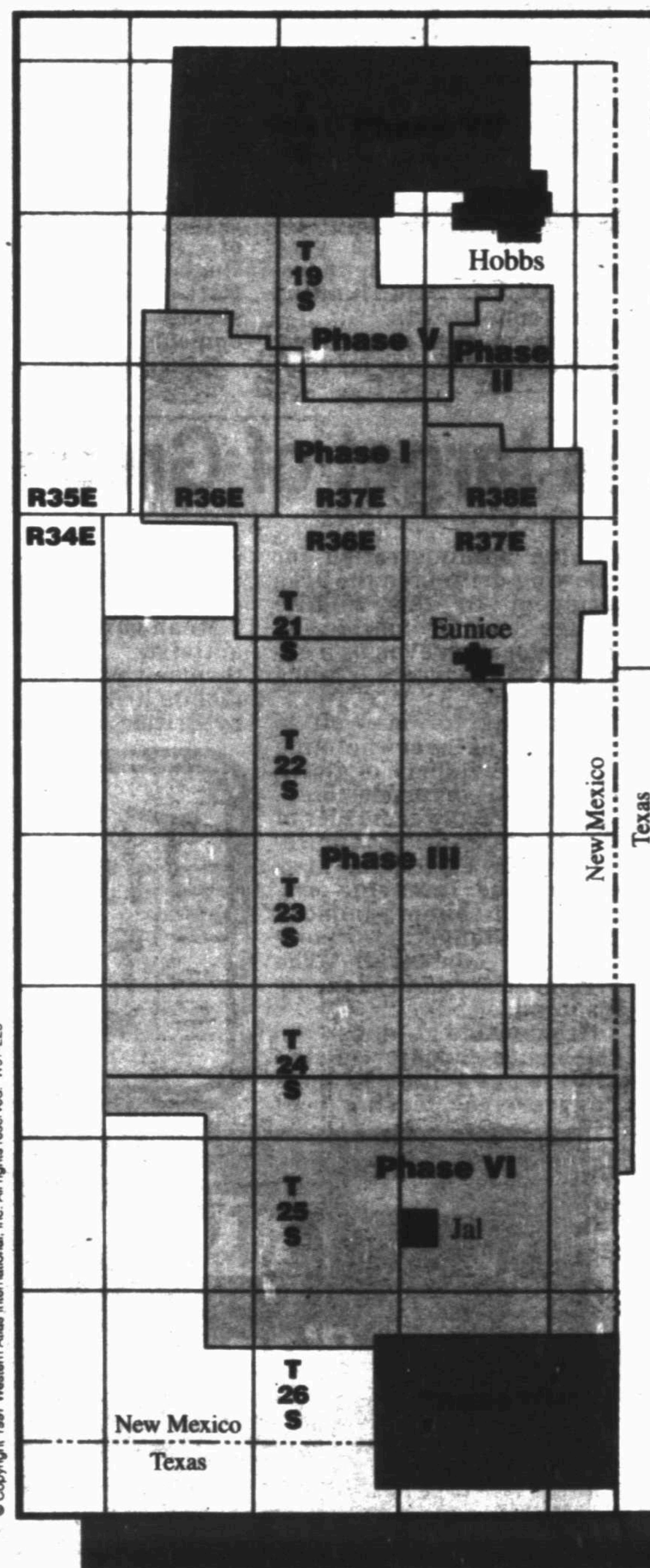
D, SEC 867; 10083 FNL 8780 FEL OF LSE; 2.2 MILES NE OF DENVER CITY; EL: 3577 GR; CONTR: NORTON DRG CO; SPUD 10/26/96; COMP 11/2/96; TD 5220, PBTD 5219; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4948 TO 5216; IP 265 BOPD, 541 MCFD, 231 BWP; PERMIT # 451621; API # 42-501-34153

ALTURA ENERGY LTD DENVER UNIT # 18910

WASSON; J H GIBSON SURVEY, BLK D, SEC 866; 12849 FNL 10635 FEL OF LSE; 2 MILES NE OF DENVER CITY; EL: 3586 GR; CONTR: NORTON DRG CO; SPUD 10/16/96; COMP 10/26/96; TD 5230 MD, 5225 PBTD; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH DIRECTIONAL TREATED PERFS 4940 TO 5178; IPF 248 BOPD, 534 MCFD, 174 BWP; PERMIT # 451661; API # 42-501-34161

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