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Pickens says oil prices could fall to \$10-\$12 a barrel

DENVER (AP) — World oil prices will drop to \$10 to \$12 per barrel in coming months if OPEC keeps opening the spigots on its prolific, cheap-to-produce wells, Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens has warned.

And there won't be very much the American oil industry can do to stop the plunge, the Amarillo oilman who heads Mesa Petroleum said on Monday.

Oil prices, which stood at \$29 for the 42-gallon barrel in Texas last December, now have dropped to \$17 and are falling, he said, noting that under the assumption retail gasoline prices would fall

accordingly, consumers should be picking up regular leaded fuel for 70 to 75 cents per gallon.

Such a drop would cause thousands of wells in the United States to be plugged because they become unprofitable at those prices, he said, and eventually U.S. oil production of more than 8 million barrels of crude daily would drop by 25 percent.

"These prices will eliminate the high-cost producers and those high-cost producers are in the United States," he warned. "Big oil companies can't run their big budgets on \$17 oil."

The result will be layoffs and reduced drilling

budgets, he said. For example, his own company spent \$400 million a year drilling in the boom years of 1979 to 1981, but this year will spend only \$20 million.

But he said few tears will be shed for oil companies, because, "Far more people are helped by \$17 oil than are hurt by it."

The price reductions began in December when the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries — led by Saudi Arabia — abandoned trying to set world oil prices and began concentrating on retaining market shares.

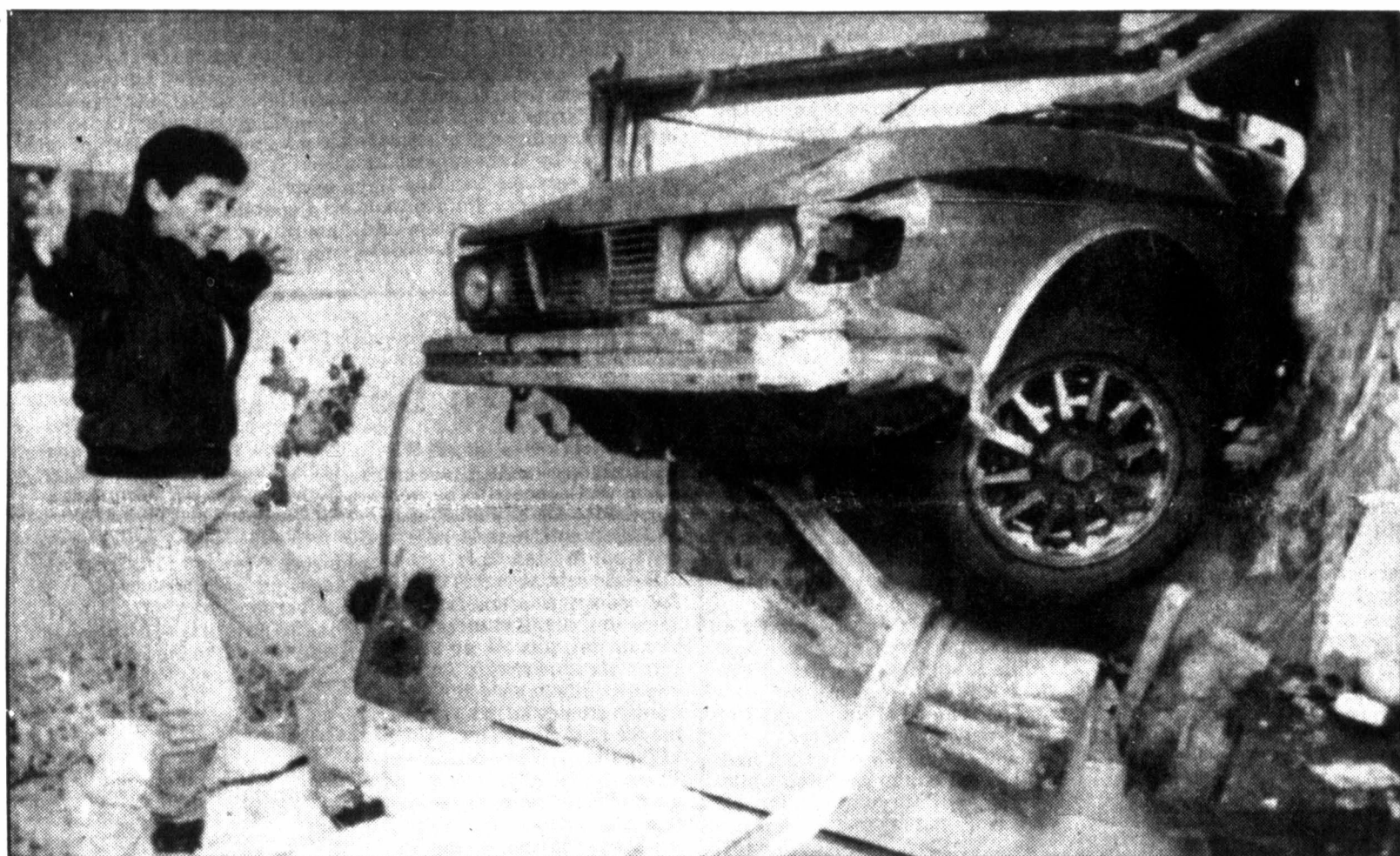
Pickens, who was in Denver to discuss his prop-

osed merger with the Lakewood-based K N Energy, also said his plan is not hostile and a combination of the two companies would be a natural.

K N employs about 1,800 at its headquarters and along its pipeline transmission network, which Mesa wants to use to transport its vast natural gas reserves in Kansas and other areas.

At a press conference at the Denver Petroleum Club, Pickens said he has heard K N is trying to sell to someone else "and we want to be in on the bidding process."

K N officials, who have declined to meet with Pickens, have had no comment.



BEDROOM BUGGY—College student Wendy Wickham of Edmonton, Alberta, narrowly escaped injury while preparing for a mid-afternoon nap when a car skidded out of con-

trol on an icy intersection and slid to a stop in her bedroom. Occupants of the car were not injured, but Wendy was left wondering where she could sleep. (AP Laserphoto)

Boycott starts having effect in Philippines

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — An opposition boycott protesting the declaration of President Ferdinand E. Marcos as winner of a special election appeared to be taking effect today as banks reported a run of withdrawals and the price of stock in a major corporation fell.

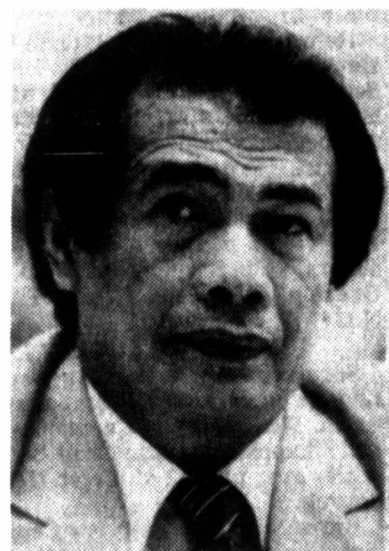
The Philippine peso suffered its biggest single-day devaluation in 15 years with the peso-dollar exchange rate climbing from Monday's \$19.98 to \$22.04 today. A government bank source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, attributed the 10.3 percent devaluation to market nervousness over political instability.

Opposition candidate Corason Aquino made the call for a boycott of corporations run by friends or associates of Marcos at a huge rally Sunday, shortly after the National Assembly proclaimed Marcos the winner of the Feb. 7 election.

The 20-year incumbent called the election a year early as a test of his popularity. Mrs. Aquino claims voters rejected him, and says she was cheated out of victory by widespread vote fraud.

The National Assembly, in which Marcos' New Society Movement has a 2-1 advantage, said Marcos won the election by about 1.5 million votes. Two organizations that provided early, unofficial returns — the National Movement For Free Elections, or Namfrel, and the government's election commission — continued to disagree on who was ahead and announced Monday they would continue their counts.

In another development, Ministry of Justice spokesman George Dee said multiple murder charges were filed today against



ARTURO PACIFICADOR
...charged in murders

Marcos ally Assemblyman Arturo Pacificador and six men described as his bodyguards in the ambush slaying of seven opposition supporters on the eve of the 1984 National Assembly elections.

Pacificador, assistant majority leader of Marcos' New Society Movement in the National Assembly, could not be reached for comment today. He has previously denied any involvement in the slayings. He also has denied involvement in last week's killing of Evelio Javier, Mrs. Aquino's campaign manager in Antique province and his rival in the 1984 elections.

Meanwhile, the Makati Stock Exchange reported continued heavy selling of stock in the giant San Miguel Corp., the Philippines' largest producer of beer, soft drinks and ice cream.

Hundreds fleeing floods, mudslides

By MARTIN STEINBERG
Associated Press Writer

A powerful Pacific storm pounded the West today after the heaviest rain in three decades unleashed floods that forced hundreds to flee and released mudslides and avalanches that cut off towns and swept away houses.

Waves of storms, powered by winds up to 100 mph, have left at least six people dead and three missing since striking the coast a week ago. More than 18 inches of rain and 8 feet of snow have hit some areas since the storms arrived.

They were expected to ease by this afternoon, allowing rescuers a chance to evacuate more people

before another storm strikes by the end of the week, the National Weather Service said.

"We see the light right now at the end of the tunnel. We just hope it's not a freight train," forecaster Jim Henderson in Redwood City, Calif., told ABC's "Nightline" late Monday.

The National Guard was mobilized in the northwestern Nevada counties of Washoe, Lyon, Douglas and Carson City, all affected by Gov. Richard Bryan's declaration of a state of emergency issued Monday night. Al Alcorn of the state department of emergency management said today.

A total of 100 guardsmen were being deployed mostly in Reno to

assist in evacuations and bring in equipment, Alcorn said.

Crews piled sandbags to channel the Truckee River through downtown streets in Reno and Sparks, and the weather service said winds up to 100 mph blew over large trucks in western Nevada.

In California's Sierra Nevada, where the storms dropped up to 8 feet of snow, Interstate 80 was expected to remain blocked for up to a week because of a massive rockslide, said Nevada County sheriff's Capt. Jack Bayer. Another slide covered railroad tracks, forcing an Amtrak passenger train with about 600 people aboard to backtrack to Reno,

Nev., Amtrak officials said.

An avalanche Monday cut off about 500 people at June Lake, Calif., a ski resort near Yosemite National Park.

About 600 people were given shelter around Sonoma County, Calif., where flooding isolated the towns of Sebastopol, Guerneville and Monticito, said Kevin Connolly of the county's Office of Emergency Services.

In Marin County, a house slid down a hill and injured four people including a woman who was "literally blown out of the house," said Dennis Brown of the county's Emergency Operations Center.

Bowed but unbeaten

Tylenol maker expects to bounce back

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (AP) — Johnson & Johnson will no longer produce over-the-counter medicines in capsules because it cannot guarantee their safety, but whoever killed a woman with cyanide-laced Tylenol has not beaten the health care giant, its chairman says.

"We fought our way back from the Chicago tragedy ... thanks to the fairness and good judgment of the American consumer," James E. Burke said at a news conference Monday. "We will do it again this time."

"What we've done is say, 'You're not going to defeat us.'"

The decision to stop production came nine days after a New York woman was killed by cyanide-contaminated Tylenol capsules and 3½ years after seven people in Illinois suffered the same fate.

Burke urged users of Tylenol capsules to switch to coated, oval tablets known as "capslets," and said Johnson & Johnson will replace free of charge any capsules now in

homes or stores.

The drug industry reacted cautiously to the announcement and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration said it would be premature to call for an industry-wide ban on capsule medications.

Meanwhile, investigators were still trying to determine whether the bottle whose contents killed 23-year-old Diane Elstroth on Feb. 8 and a second one that surfaced five days later were tampered with during manufacture or when they reached two Bronxville, N.Y., stores.

The first bottle was manufactured in Fort Washington, Pa., and the second in Las Piedras, Puerto Rico, J&J officials have said. They were stored within two weeks of each other at a warehouse in Montgomeryville, Pa.

On Monday, FBI and Westchester County, N.Y., investigators inspected the Fort Washington plant and the warehouse, but officials would not comment on the trip.



JAMES E. BURKE
...announces decision

Wheeler, Carson stock shows held

More than 400 sheep, swine and cattle paraded through the ag buildings at Panhandle and Wheeler Saturday as high school youths from nine area schools participated in the Carson and Wheeler County Stock Shows.

The Carson County show featured 18 steers, 126 barrows and 66 sheep shown by members of the Carson County 4-H Club and Future Farmers of America chapters at the White Deer-Skellytown School, Groom and Panhandle.

4-H'er Misti Kingston of Groom High School showed the grand champion steer at the Carson County show. Andy Waxler of the Groom Future Farmers of America had the reserve champion steer and took second place in steer showmanship. 4-H Club

member Taff Tyler of Panhandle took top showmanship honors.

Karen Wyatt, a 4-H Club member from White Deer, showed the grand champion sheep and took second place in sheep showmanship. 4-H'er Leslie Ware of Panhandle showed the reserve champion sheep. Laurie Meaker, a 4-H Club member from Panhandle took top showmanship honors.

In the swine division, the grand champion was shown by Jackie Furgason of White Deer FFA while Buddy Brown of Panhandle FFA won reserve champion honors. Brad Clay of White Deer won showmanship and Dare Walker of White Deer took reserve showmanship honors.

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DAILY RECORD

services tomorrow

LARSON, Herbert August - 4 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.
BROWN, John S. - 2 p.m., Lincoln Street Baptist Church, Dalhart.
IVEY, Susie Mae - 10:30 a.m., First Baptist Church, Wheeler.

obituaries

SUSIE MAE IVEY

WHEELER - Services for Susie Mae Ivey, 86, will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church at Wheeler with Rev. Jerry Parker, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ivey died Saturday.
 Born in Hill County, she moved to Wheeler in 1962 from Phillips. She married S. L. Ivey in 1917; he died in 1982. She was a member of the Wheeler First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Luella M. Fisher, Midland, and Louise Melberg, Wheatland, Wyo.; a brother, Robert Dutton, Verden, Okla.; a sister, Ruby Duncan, Rush Springs, Okla.; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

JESSIE LORENE BERRY

STINNETT - Services for Jessie Lorene Berry, 67, of Stinnett, sister of two Pampa residents, will be at 2 p.m. today in Brown's Chapel of the Fountains at Stinnett. Officiating will be Rev. Billy Holland, pastor of Stinnett First Christian Church, and Alfred White, minister of Groom Church of Christ.

Burial was to be in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Berry died Monday at Amarillo.
 She was born at Rogers, Ark. She had lived in Stinnett for 50 years.

Survivors include two sons, Lamont Berry, Amarillo, and Lee Berry, Seiling, Okla.; two daughters, Nora J. Rollard, Amarillo, and Janice Thompson, Stinnett; three brothers, Harold Myers and Billy Myers, both of Rogers, Ark., and Walter Myers, Pampa; six sisters, Virginia Townsend, Bentonville, Ark., Hazel Clanton, Bakersfield, Calif., Izella Herrick, Marysville, Calif., Dora Dean Maxwell, Rogers, Ark., Opal Mahurin, Shawburn, Mo., and Mildred Stanley, Pampa; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

JOHN S. BROWN

DALHART - Services for John S. Brown, 75, brother of a Canadian resident, will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Lincoln Street Baptist Church in Dalhart. Officiating will be Johnny Lee Jr., pastor, and Rev. Lewis Dannels, pastor of the Dalhart United Pentecostal Church.

Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery at Dalhart under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.

Mr. Brown died Monday.
 He was born Sept. 26, 1910, in Wheeler County. He moved to Dalhart in 1930. He married Goldie Schibbelhute on July 31, 1932, at Guyton, Okla.

He worked as a mechanic at the Buick Garage and began farming in Dallam County, retiring in 1984. He was a member of the Lincoln Street Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by a daughter, three brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Goldie, and three sisters, Willa Spruell, Canadian, Lottie Baldwin, Greeley, Colo., and Minnie Tiley, Bloomfield, N.M.

HERBERT AUGUST LARSON

Services for Herbert August Larson, 72, of Livingston, father of a Pampa resident, will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel. Officiating will be Dr. Richard H. Whitman, pastor of First United Methodist Church.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Larson died Sunday at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Survivors include his wife, Rose Mary Eades Larson, of the home; a son, Jerry Larson, Pampa; a daughter, Mrs. Ben Ramsey, Houston; and four grandchildren.

The family will be at 1824 Grape.

calendar of events

CLASSROOM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION
 Pampa Classroom Teachers' Association is to conduct a general meeting, Thursday, at 7 p.m. in the Pampa Middle School library. The program is to be a report on the state convention last week in Fort Worth.

PAMPA SINGLES ORGANIZATION
 A planning session for activities for Pampa Singles Organization is set for 7:30 p.m., tonight, at 803-A N. Nelson. Bring ideas. For more information, call 665-0119.

TRI-COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUB
 The Tri-County Democratic Club is to meet at noon, Thursday, at the Western Sizzlin' Steak House. Don Cain is to conduct installation of officers. The public is invited.

State agencies trimming urged

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Mark White is urging the top officials of state agencies to aim for a 13 percent cut in non-mandatory spending and to impose a hiring freeze on all but essential jobs.

In a private meeting with agency heads on Monday, White said he didn't discuss reducing the

state's projected \$1.3 billion budget shortfall through layoffs.

"We didn't talk layoffs at all in here. In fact, I think we can make our goal without any layoffs," White said after the closed-door session.

Following the worldwide slump in oil prices, Comptroller Bob

Bullock last week announced that the state's projected revenue would fall \$1.3 billion short of the \$37.2 billion total appropriated by the Legislature for the 1986 and 1987 budget years.

city briefs

CHIL SUPPER and dance for Multiple Sclerosis with Shakedown Band, Catalina Club, Wednesday, February 19. Adv.

FOR SALE: 28 foot 5th wheel. Extra clean. TV, stereo. \$6895. 2200 N. Christy. 669-6330. Adv.

COME SEE the country Folklore Collection and Wild Flowers and Herb Collection at Las Pampas Galleries. Adv.

BUTTER and Cheese Distribution. Wednesday, February 19, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Lamar Full Gospel Gymnasium. 1200 S. Nelson.

hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions
 Sue Dawdy, Pampa
 Vickie Dawson, Pampa
 Fran Dubose, Pampa
 Betty Dunbar, Pampa
 Leny Howard, Pampa
 Lisa Johnson, Pampa
 Louise King, Pampa
 Waunetta Knott, Pampa
 V.C. Moore, Pampa
 Helen Nokes, Pampa
 Kim Reeves, Pampa
 Martha Santacruz, Pampa
 Etta Williams, Pampa
Births
 Mr. and Mrs. Javier Santacruz, Pampa, a boy
 Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reeves, Pampa, a boy
 Mr. and Mrs. Dale Knott, Pampa, a boy
Dismissals
 Charles Couch, Skellytown
 Elizabeth Flores, Lefors
 Fred Godwin, Pampa
 Pamela Harris and infant, Pampa
 Evelyn Harvey, Panhandle
 Rachel Jones, Pampa
 Jim Keough, Pampa
 Pamela Lambert and infant, Pampa
 H.M. Phillips, Pampa
 William Queen Pampa
 R.E. Stover, Pampa
 Frankie White, McLean
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 Quinda Pettit, Shamrock
 Matthew Powers, Shamrock
 Virginia Anderson, Shamrock
Dismissals
 Fannie Kenney, Wheeler
 Albert Bonner, Shamrock

police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Feb. 17

Criminal mischief was reported at the Pampa High School vocational building at the intersection of Decatur and Charles; windows were broken out.

Criminal mischief was reported at Keyes Pharmacy, 928 N. Hobart; windows were broken out.

A 12-year-old male middle school student reported theft of his school books at the intersection of Foster and Starkweather.

Isabel Ortega, 1157 Huff, reported theft of a front license plate from a motor vehicle in the parking lot of the Pampa Mall.

Arrests

MONDAY, Feb. 17

Spencer Ray Boyo, 33, 445 Graham, was arrested at the police department on a charge of aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Benjamin Schifeman, 30, 1220 S. Farley, was arrested at the address on a charge of assault.

Melanie Gail Elsheimer, 17, 2131 Dogwood, was arrested at the intersection of Kentucky and Deane on a charge of theft more than \$200 but less than \$750; Elsheimer was released to her father.

Phillip Ray Hutchinson, 44, 1228 S. Faulkner, was arrested at the intersection of Alcock and Perry on a charge of public intoxication. Hutchinson was released on a cash bond.

Roger Dale Fly, 42, 313 N. Sumner, was arrested at the intersection of Alcock and Perry on a charge of public intoxication.

Roberto Perez, 39, 1129 S. Sumner, was arrested at the intersection of Alcock and Perry on a charge of public intoxication.

stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler Evans of Pampa:

Wheat	2.94	dn
Milo	3.85	dn

The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation:

Danmon Oil	7 1/2	dn
Ky Cent Life	52	dn
Serico	4	dn

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:

Amoco	57 1/2	dn
Beatrice Foods	46 1/2	dn
Cabot	24 1/2	dn

Celanese	184	dn
DIA	11 1/2	dn
Halliburton	22 1/2	dn
HCA	35 1/2	up
Ingersoll Rand	62 1/2	up
InterNorth	40 1/2	dn
Kerr-McGee	30 1/2	dn
Mobil	28 1/2	dn
Penney's	59 1/2	NC
Phillips	9 1/2	NC
PNA	20 1/2	up
SJ	29 1/2	dn
SPS	28	NC
Tenneco	37 1/2	dn
Texasco	29	up
Zales	38 1/2	up
London Gold	335.40	
Silver	5.91	

minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following traffic accident for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Feb. 17

A 1981 Ford, driven by Belinda Martinez, 106 Wynne, jumped a curb and struck a tree at the intersection of Kentucky and Deane. Minor injuries were reported. Martinez was cited for unsafe change in direction of travel.

Emergency numbers

Energas..... 665-5770
 SPS..... 669-7432
 Water..... 665-3881

fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported no fire runs in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Budget stalemate could cut into Reagan's defense plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional economists estimated today a budget stalemate between Congress and the White House that triggers automatic spending cuts this fall could cut \$49 billion from the \$320.3 billion President Reagan is seeking in military spending authority for fiscal 1987.

"It means a very different defense establishment than is envisioned by the president," said Rudolph G. Penner, director of the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office, which presented that and other projections of the impact of a new balanced-budget law to the Senate Budget Committee.

The new law, which is being challenged in court, requires across-the-board spending cuts Oct. 15 if Congress and the White House have not agreed on a budget plan meeting a projected deficit target of \$144 billion for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1. The aim of the law is to force a balanced budget by 1991.

The budget office report estimates that current spending and tax policies would produce a deficit of \$181 billion in the next fiscal year, roughly the same as the projection in the president's new

budget. The congressional economists also projected a deficit of \$104 billion in 1991.

The budget office, however, used different assumptions to arrive at that projection. The administration deficit projection was based on an increase after inflation in military spending that the congressional estimate did not include.

In addition, the administration used more optimistic assumptions of the nation's economic performance than did the budget office.

Using the administration's assumption of an increase in military spending, the budget office pegged the 1991 deficit at \$150 billion.

Meanwhile, the budget office report — which emphasized that its findings were preliminary and subject to change later this year — projected that if automatic budget cuts became necessary this fall to meet the deficit target, military appropriations would face a 6.2 percent cut and non-military appropriations would face an 8.4 percent cut.

The impact of such cuts would be larger than they look because \$11.7 billion is due to be cut from current levels on March 1. In addition, the fall cuts would not allow for any inflation adjustments.

Thus, under such cuts, military spending authority would be \$271 billion, nearly \$30 billion below the projected amount needed to keep up with inflation. It also is \$49 billion below the request Reagan has made.

On Monday, a private analysis of Gramm-Rudman said cuts of 25 to 50 percent will be required in most domestic federal programs, with even larger cuts possible in certain law enforcement areas.

The study by Management Information Services Inc. and the Center for Defense Information said the impact of the law would be far more severe than previous-

ly believed. It said deep cuts will occur even if Congress raises taxes and slashes defense spending.

Management Information Services Inc. is a consulting firm that makes private economic analyses for a wide range of private and governmental clients. The Center for Defense Information is a private, non-profit organization that studies military issues and is a frequent critic of Reagan administration defense policies. Both are based in Washington.

The new projections come as House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., challenged Reagan to back tax increases to help trim budget deficits or watch his military buildup come to an end.

"The time has come for the president to face the facts," O'Neill told the AFL-CIO executive council meeting Monday in Bal Harbour, Fla. "Unless he moves on revenues, his defense buildup is over."

O'Neill's remarks Monday capped a week-long, cross-country effort by House Democrats to focus attention on the president's budget and specifically his proposal for a military spending increase while cutting or eliminating scores of domestic spending programs.

The president's budget, O'Neill said, "makes sure that the hungry will be hungrier, the poorly housed will be homeless and that the welfare recipient struggling for a job will give up the struggle."

In five cities, elected officials and civic leaders voiced similar sentiments about the president's spending priorities in sessions organized by the Democratic-controlled House Budget Committee.

Republicans on the committee said it was a partisan publicity stunt and stayed away.

Willie wants Farm Aid concert to be in Austin

AUSTIN (AP) — Singer Willie Nelson wants the next Farm Aid concert to be held along with his annual Fourth of July picnic here if he can work out the details.

Nelson said he wants to hold the concert at Memorial Stadium on the University of Texas campus or at South Park Meadows, the outdoor concert site where his July Fourth picnics have been held for the past two years.

The singer, who's a native of Texas, had said previously he wanted to follow up on the success of last September's Farm Aid concert in Champaign, Ill., with a benefit in New York's Yankee Stadium.

But baseball season got in the way. For a time, Nelson considered doing the concert at the Washington Monument.

"But then I remembered this is Sesquicentennial year in Texas, and I felt it would be a shame to take the picnic out of Texas this year," he told the Austin American-Statesman Sunday.

Nelson said he has not contacted the owner of South Park Meadows or UT administrators with his proposal.

He may run into trouble there. Ed Sharp, UT vice president for administration, said university rules prohibit the use of facilities for charity activities if the funds do not go to the university or state government.

But Sharp said it may be possible for UT system regents to grant an exception.

With the help of singers Neil Young and John Cougar Mellencamp, Nelson organized last year's Farm Aid concert, shown to a national television audience, to help ailing family farmers.

Viewers who phoned a toll-free number pledged \$8 million to \$10 million, Nelson said. He said Home Box Office later paid the benefit fund \$400,000 for rights to broadcast taped segments of the show. Farm Aid funds are being managed and distributed by Nelson and

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Sunny and warm Wednesday with the highs near 80. Lows tonight near 45. Westerly winds at 20-30 mph and gusting. Lake wind warnings in effect.

REGIONAL FORECASTS
NORTH TEXAS: Warm through Wednesday with clear skies. Highs 83 to 86. Lows tonight 49 to 56.

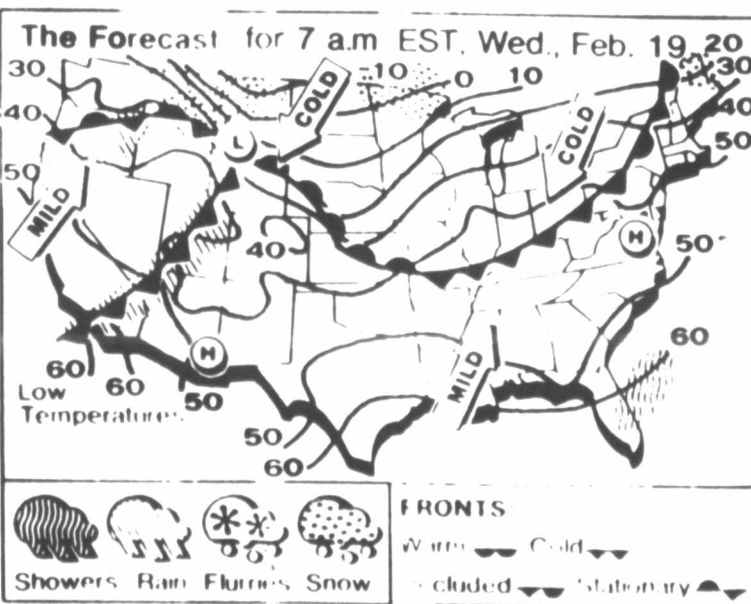
SOUTH TEXAS: Fair skies with warm afternoons through Wednesday. Highs upper 80s north to mid 90s inland south with low 80s along the coast. Lows tonight 50s west to 60s southeast and south.

WEST TEXAS: Mostly fair. Highs mainly in the 80s to near 90 extreme south and mid 70s far west. Lows tonight in the 40s.

EXTENDED FORECAST — Thursday Through Sunday

North Texas- Continued warm Thursday and Friday with no significant precipitation expected. Turning cooler Saturday with a chance of showers mainly in the east. Lows Thursday and Friday in the upper 40s to mid 50s. Highs in the 60s to mid 80s. Lows Saturday in the upper 30s to mid 40s and highs in the 60s.

West Texas- Partly cloudy. Cooler Friday and Saturday. Panhandle lows Thursday lower 40s cooling to lower 30s by



Saturday. Highs Thursday lower 70s cooling to upper 50s by Saturday.

South Texas- Warm Thursday and Friday, cooler Saturday with a slight chance of showers Southeast Texas. Highs mostly low and mid 80s north to the lower 90s south Thursday and Friday and lower 70s north to the mid 80s south Saturday. Lows mid and upper 50s Hill Country to the 60s east and south Thursday and Friday and from the upper 40s and lower 50s northwest to the lower 60s south Saturday.

BORDER STATES OKLA-

HOMA: Clear to partly cloudy and mild tonight. Partly cloudy and warm Wednesday. Low tonight low 40s Panhandle to mid 50s southeast. High Wednesday low 70s northeast to mid 80s Panhandle.

NEW MEXICO: Partly cloudy north and fair south tonight. Becoming cloudy with showers spreading into the northwestern third Wednesday. Mostly fair, breezy and warm elsewhere. Lows tonight 25 to 40 in the mountains and northwest to the 40s and lower 50s in the east and south. Highs Wednesday 50s in the northwest, 80s in the southeast.

City election filing deadline near

Deadline for candidates wishing to file for a city commission spot in the upcoming April 5 municipal elections is 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Up for election this year are the Ward 2 and Ward 4 posts.

As of this morning, the two incumbents were the only candidates to have filed their candidacies with City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers.

Ward 2 Commissioner David McDaniel will be seeking his

second term, and Ward 4 Commissioner Clyde Carruth will be pursuing his sixth term on the Pampa City Commission.

"I haven't had any indication that anyone else is going to file," Jeffers said today.

Persons wanting to be a candidate for city commissioner must contact Jeffers at her office in City Hall by 5 p.m. tomorrow.

Candidates must be living within the ward boundaries for the post to which they are elected.

TEXAS / REGIONAL

Republican, Democrat hopefuls squabbling

AUSTIN (AP) — A Republican candidate for governor says an opponent owes him an apology, while two Democrat candidates for the Railroad Commission appear to be caught up in a word war over campaign money.

GOP gubernatorial candidate Kent Hance urged former Gov. Bill Clements on Monday to apologize for calling him "ignorant" about the number of state employees on the payroll during Clements' years in office.

Clements was governor from 1979 to 1983, and a recent Dallas Morning News analysis showed state employment rose 6.3 percent during those years

although Clements had pledged to cut 25,000 employees from state payrolls.

Hance said that Clements had called him "ignorant" in a McAllen interview when Hance said the number of employees had increased while Clements was in office.

"I believe that Gov. Clements owes me an apology," Hance said in a statement.

Clements' press secretary, Reggie Bashur, said Clements would not comment on Hance's request. Bashur also said, "We stand by our figure of a 3,700-employee reduction. We worked hard to establish a system to identify the number of full-

time equivalent employees in all the state agencies and commissions. We never intended that higher education be included in those numbers."

Hance said Clements could not be elected in November because he "makes spontaneous emotional responses to anyone who disagrees with him, whether that person is a public official or not. That's the reason he lost in 1982 and that's why he can't get elected in 1986."

Bashur said independent polls and those commissioned by Clements showed he was the only GOP candidate who could defeat Democratic incumbent Mark White, who ousted Clements from

office in 1982.

In another statewide race, Railroad Commission candidate John Poulard, D-Dallas, said state Sen. John Sharp, D-Victoria, had failed to respond to Poulard's call for campaign contribution and spending limitations.

"I think he (Sharp) at least owes it to the people of Texas to explain why he's unwilling to abide by these few restrictions to assure the people that this seat is not being purchased for him by the industries he'd be regulating," Poulard said in a statement.

Churchill recipient Perot famous for many activities

DALLAS (AP) — Computer magnate and billionaire H. Ross Perot, the man who receives the prestigious Churchill Award tonight from Britain's Prince Charles, is believed to be the richest man in Texas.

But history will remember him for much more than the billions he's earned as founder of a lucrative computer company.

"We think he's extraordinary," said Harold Epstein, executive director of the Winston

Churchill Foundation, which is giving the award.

Over the past two decades, Perot has made headlines with such escapades as his thwarted attempt in 1969 to fly into Hanoi to give American prisoners of war medical supplies and Christmas dinners and his financing of a successful rescue mission into Iran in 1979 where two of his employees were held in a Tehran prison.

The Iranian rescue wound up as a best-selling book, "On Wings of Eagles," now being made into a television movie in which Richard Crenna will portray Perot.

In 1980 he led Texas' war on drugs at the behest of Republican Gov. William Clements. And in 1983 he headed a committee on education for Democratic Gov. Mark White which drafted a tough education reform package.

Then, there are less ambitious projects like his \$1.5 million purchase last year of one of the original copies of the Magna Charta; his financing of his son's successful attempt to become the first pilot to fly around the world in a helicopter, and his \$50,000 donation to financially ailing New York City in 1976 to buy new horses and saddles for its mounted police.



SPECIAL GREETING — Prince Charles pauses to greet a small group on hand to watch the Prince's arrival at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Monday.

Prince Charles is in Texas to make a presentation to Dallas businessman H. Ross Perot and to help Texas celebrate the sesquicentennial. (AP Laserphoto)

Off beat

By
Cathy
Spaulding



The most valuable reward

I was listening to music this morning as I was preparing for work when a little-known Carole King ditty caught my ear.

In an enthusiastic, encouraging tone, she sang: "You've got to get up every morning with a smile on your face and show the world all the love in your heart. Then people gonna treat you better. You're going to find, yes you will, that you're beautiful as you feel." ("Beautiful" copyright 1971, Carole King)

"Sure," I thought. "But, Carole, when you're placed in a world of people who are more superior than you are, that's easier said than done."

I was having a pity party, and I had lots to "celebrate." The people at church seemed more interested in the upcoming wedding of one of my co-workers than in anything I was up to. And with a character like Tom Etheredge in town and making the front page, I assumed people wouldn't be interested in my latest tidbits from Miami.

When I got to work, I discovered that there's a student at Groom High School who's in the same boat I'm in. She (I'll presume she's a she) wrote to the "Tiger's Tale" school newspaper and lamented being around a group of "pure winners." She told of how proud she used to be when she got third, fourth or fifth place. But now she has to ride the bus with people who are making even "bigger" honors than she.

"It's really hard for me to be happy with them," she wrote. "I try to keep a positive attitude but I don't know how to cheer myself up."

She concluded that all she really wants is a friend. The young editors answered "it's not the reward that makes a person, it is the effort put into something that makes one grow and growth may not always be tangible like a reward."

Abraham Lincoln ran for office 16 times before being elected president, they added.

"Persistence is the key," they concluded. "Just keep on trying and eventually the rewards will come your way."

"Okay," I thought. "But you can persist until your face turns purple and still not get a blue ribbon or an incentive award."

Then I wondered just what type of "rewards" the teen-age editors are talking about.

I got many "rewards" at high school speech contests. As a junior, I took a humorous reading, a dramatic reading and an original speech to Regional finals, placing first with the humorous reading. I made it to State finals with the original speech.

And I expected to do just the same thing my senior year. But I didn't.

Going against feeble competition, I won two first place trophies for dramatic and humorous readings at minor contests. The trophies both unscrew easily from their bases and are now gathering dust on my shelf.

I made it to Regionals with the two readings, but I didn't make the finals. Few people from Deer Creek did that year. Those were the best performances of my high school speech career, but I had nothing to show for them.

I didn't want to tell Mom that I "bombed" at Regionals. But I did. But she didn't chastise me for not winning The Big One; she told me "most people would give anything to have the ability you have."

Last year, my young friend entered the University Interscholastic League Poetry contest. She took a poem to state the year before. She knew and I knew she was good enough to do it again. But the poem she selected was not from the correct year and she was disqualified at the district level.

Only one person took first place in Oklahoma humorous reading in 1977 and only one person took first place in class I-A UIL poetry last year.

People in speech, music, stock shows and even journalism often have it harder than athletes. In sports, success is counted by an inanimate object: a scoreboard. But in speech contests, band trips, stock shows and journalism events, the "rewards" come from a less objective source: a human being who has prejudices, opinions and "bad days."

The real rewards my friends from Deer Creek, my young friend from Miami and I got from our speech contest experiences were not the trophies, medals or ribbons (were they, Mrs. Oswald?). Instead, they came through the awareness that we were putting our talents to good use and the satisfaction we got by sharing our abilities. We were "rewarded" as we grew, in what we learned about ourselves and in the way we learned to admire the talents and accomplishments of others.

People are not (and should never be) judged by the number of All-District patches sewn on a letter jacket or the number of medals hung around the neck or the number of bylines splashed on the front page. Maybe people shouldn't be judged at all because according to the Bible, a person who merely exists is of value to God.

That's a tough truth to swallow; I often don't believe it myself. Young person in Groom, you're not alone. As my mother might say, "most people would give anything" to have the insight and honesty you possess.

If you have access to Carole King's "Tapestry," listen to "Beautiful," it's on the first side. Then turn the album over to the first song on the second side for my message to you:

"You've got a friend."

Spaulding is a staff writer for The Pampa News.

Prince Charles begins tour of Texas

DALLAS (AP) — Britain's Prince Charles stepped regally off the British jet that shuttled him into Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, but the real excitement is scheduled for later in the week when the prince kicks off the state's Sesquicentennial celebration.

The doors to the VC-10 Royal Air Force jet opened and the red carpet was unrolled shortly after 5 p.m. Monday, with Gov. Mark White, the mayors of Dallas and Fort Worth and other dignitaries on hand to greet him.

A gusty, but sunny and warm day also greeted the prince, who shook hands with White, Dallas Mayor A. Starke Taylor, Fort Worth Mayor Bob Bolen, British Consul General Martin Himes and John Loeb, president of the Winston Churchill Foundation.

As the heir to the British throne brushed back his wind-tousled hair, a band of kilt-clad British Caledonian Airways bagpipers played the "Yellow Rose of

Texas" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" on the tarmac.

British and American photographers and reporters pressed against the ropes that cordoned them off from the prince. Film reeled and cameras snapped, but the prince had no words for the reporters.

After the brief greetings Prince Charles, minus Princess Diana, headed for the Loews Anatole hotel in Dallas in a limousine.

During his visit to the state, he will present Dallas billionaire H. Ross Perot with the Winston Churchill award.

State and local leaders have been working feverishly for the last four months to map out the visit that was prompted by the Dallas billionaire and computer magnate.

Prince Charles had planned to come to Dallas primarily to present Perot with the Churchill award, which is bestowed to those who epitomize Churchill's spirit. But the celebration of the

150th anniversary of Texas' independence from Mexico piqued his interest.

"The more he asked about the Sesquicentennial, the more interested he got," said Sam Garner, head of the Texas Sesquicentennial Commission. "So he decided to see a lot more of the state."

The prince's crowded itinerary after tonight's award presentation includes stopovers in Houston, Austin and San Antonio before he jets to Palm Springs, Calif. on Friday.

He was expected to tour this morning the Electra Communications Corp. — owned by the Britain-based Cable and Wireless, this country's Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad and Electronic Data Systems, the computer company Perot founded.

He'll also see Dallas' Infomart,

a high-tech information center whose design was based on the famous Crystal Palace in London.

From there, it's on to Houston Wednesday for a tour of Shell Oil Co.'s Deer Park refinery and the San Jacinto Monument, which commemorates Texas' independence from Mexico.

British Consulate spokeswoman Linda Kelly said Prince Charles also will visit Mountbatten House, a retirement home financed by the Daughters of the British Empire and named after the prince's late great uncle, before dining that night with Houston Mayor Kathy Whitmire.

The big Sesquicentennial bash, however, begins the next day in Austin, where the prince will attend a ceremony on the Capitol steps that includes a 21-gun salute and a fly-over by the Texas Air National Guard.

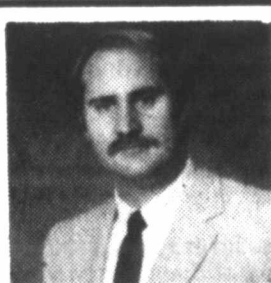
SHOOTING PAINS

If you're a victim of sciatica, you know what "shooting pains" are all about. The sometimes excruciating pain of sciatica frequently affects the hip, thigh and back of the leg. The ankle and foot are sometimes affected, too. But that's not where the problem is.

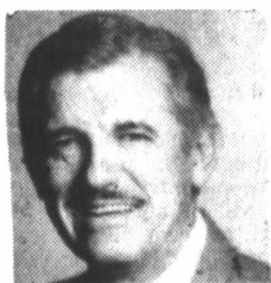
The sciatic nerve, the largest nerve in the body, extends from the lower spine to the back of the thigh and knee. Then it divides. One nerve goes down the front of the lower leg, and other goes down the back of the leg.

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VIEWPOINTS

Cuomo and big government

BY DON FEDER

It's not often that a humble columnist has word from so illustrious a politico as the governor of one of our largest states and a probable applicant for residence at the White House.

Imagine, then, my surprise when I received the following communication from His Excellency Mario M. Cuomo, in response to a column wherein I dubbed the governor "the high priest of handouts" and named him a notable nitwit of 1985.

Dear Mr. Feder:

Your op-ed piece was short on specifics, I would appreciate your letting me know which "welfare state" program in New York you consider to be wasteful. I think you'll be hard put to find one.

I'd like your opinion on this so I can avoid your dubious-achievement list next year.

Sincerely,

Mario M. Cuomo, Governor

What the governor doesn't know is that he made my unacceptable people awards two years running. (In 1984, I referred to Cuomo as "the newest Robespierre in the liberal republic of virtue.") If he continues on his current course, in all likelihood he'll be a proud recipient of one of my political-pest prizes this year as well. But a serious query deserves a serious response. What's my gripe with New York's governor? Nothing less than his entire political philosophy, expounded *ad nauseam* in his public pronouncements.

There are those who call Cuomo a centrist, a judgment from which I emphatically dissent. On any issue you'd care to mention (capital punishment, abortion, welfare spending, or

business regulation) he's a liberal. Not merely liberal, but congenitally liberal - liberal with a passion, rivaling the ardor of the great liberals of history. Last year, he achieved national notoriety as the primary opponent of the proposal to end deductibility of state and local taxes on the national income tax, a key component of the president's tax-reform package. The governor knows a threat to the welfare state when he sees one. Deductibility is a subsidy of high-tax free-spending states, such as New York, by their more frugal neighbors.

By easing the burden of state and local levies, this write-off on the federal return makes it easier for politicians to pile taxes on their subjects, encouraging government profligacy. Cuomo isn't about to let desperately needed tax reform interfere with his utopian plans for the Empire State.

Among other grandiose boondoggles, he seeks to build and rehabilitate 75,000 units of low- to middle-income housing, at a cost of \$1.2 billion. New York, you see, has a housing shortage - thanks in part to another of Mario's pet panaceas, rent control. In June, the governor took time out from lobbying against tax reform to rush back to Albany and sign a two-year extension of the state's rent-control law. As any but an economic illiterate could perceive, rent control has devastated Gotham's housing market. The city has a vacancy rate of 2 percent. With 3 percent of the nation's housing supply, it contains 9 percent of dilapidated units. Yet rent control must be preserved. Without it, New York wouldn't have a housing crisis, and Cuomo would lack an excuse to demonstrate his compassion by sheltering the indigent.

The governor cloaks himself with the poor,

the way 19th-century chauvinists wrapped themselves in the flag. They are his cause, his shield, his ideological *raison d'être*. Indeed, it's doubtful Cuomo could ask the time of day without alluding to the destitute. Cuomo is the ideal exemplar of liberal compassion, which consists of fighting poverty with someone else's resources. According to the Associated Press, the governor's 1984 income was \$131,675. Of that sum, he bestowed the princely amount of \$1,548 on various charitable concerns. That's right, Mr. Benevolence spent a paltry 1.2 percent of his income to succor the needy. Compassion should be made of kinder stuff.

My principal complaint with Governor Goodness is his espousal of collectivism. His keynote address at the 1984 Democratic National Convention, which sent the media into fits of rapture, was a paean to gargantuan government, a welfare state which ties scarves around our necks in the winter, blows our noses and tucks us in bed at night. When he speaks of citizens receiving "some form of grace - some help from government," he's taking modern liberalism to its ultimate expression: deification of the state.

For Cuomo, the welfare leviathan is the fount of beneficence, from which all good things - jobs, housing, learning and sustenance - flow. It won't be long, believe me, before he has us burning incense to Buddha on the Potomac. Dear Governor Cuomo: Instead of asking where we diverge, ask rather where we agree. If you'll send me your collected speeches, in a very large carton, I'll clip the parts with which I concur and mail them back to you - in a very small envelope.

Feder is syndicated columnist

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U.S. maneuvers appear pointless

The U.S. Navy has resumed military maneuvers off the coast of Libya. This time it is expected to send ships or planes into the disputed waters of the Gulf of Sidra, north of Libya. Libyan dictator Moammar Khadafi claims the entire gulf as Libyan territorial waters, whereas the United States and most western nations only recognize a 12-mile strip along the coast as under Libyan jurisdiction.

One wonders of the United States isn't being almost as childish as Khadafi in the game of taunt and counter-taunt the Libyan strongman seems to relish.

The first set of U.S. maneuvers ended without any ships or planes venturing into the contested waters. But current maneuvers are supposed to be designed to warn Libya not to sponsor any new terrorist missions, though it is difficult to see how having a bunch of ships and planes wandering around the Mediterranean could have a deterrent effect.

Should the United States decide to strike Libya in retaliation for some terrorist adventure, U.S. planes could be there in a matter of hours from almost anywhere in the Mediterranean. Having ships right off the coast - considering what little we know about Khadafi's mentality - may be more likely to provoke a Libyan outrage than to deter one.

U.S. officials say it is important to enter the Gulf of Sidra from time to time, as U.S. ships and planes have been doing since an incident in 1981 when two Libyan jets were shot down, simply to assert and validate the rights the United States and other countries claim. Even that proposition might be questionable. The "right" to operate in the gulf of Sidra would be important primarily in the event of a war or military conflict in the region. If a real war is on, the United States will operate wherever it thinks it must regardless of precedent.

Listening to some of the bellicose rhetoric coming from both Tripoli and Washington, one might almost believe that some elements in the U.S. government would welcome an excuse to lob a few on Khadafi. One may understand the temptation on a personal level, but such a nation as the United States should exercise prudence in that volatile region of the world.

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Don't eat the grub worms

So I'm supposed to meet this fellow for lunch and he picks out the spot. It's one of those restaurants where they have a lot of houseplants, and they specialize in salads, people who drink white wine and bottled water eat.

Whenever I am in a restaurant with which I am not familiar, I always order a cheeseburger. I figure no matter how bad or strange the rest of the food is, there are not a lot of ways you can louse up a cheeseburger.

The waiter comes over - his name is Keith, he tells us - and I order a cheeseburger.

My luncheon companion orders a salad called "The Californian" and a bottle of Perrier, the wine.

A few minutes later, Keith comes back with the salad and the bottle of Perrier for my companion and the cheeseburger for me.

Right away, I know I'm in a lot of trouble. The cheeseburger, I notice, is hidden under some sort of bread that is not Official Cheeseburger Bread.

Official Cheeseburger Bread (OCB) are those buns you can buy at the grocery store that are brown on the outside and white on the inside. They are very soft and they don't have any seeds on top.

The bun surrounding my cheeseburger had seeds. I held my breath and took a bite out of my cheeseburger.

I immediately put the cheeseburger down and pulled away the top of the bun.

"ARRRRRR!" I screamed. "There are mushrooms on my cheeseburger!"

Keith, the waiter, rushes over.

"There is something wrong?" he asks.

"Somebody," I roared, "has put mushrooms on my cheeseburger!"

"We always put mushrooms on our cheeseburgers," Keith insisted.

"Not on mine, you don't," was my retort.

Keith took away my cheeseburger and raked the mushrooms off. Then, and only then, would I eat it.

I vowed years ago never to eat mushrooms on anything, and I have my reasons.

In the first place, a mushroom is a fungus or a fungi. I'm not certain which, and it doesn't make any difference because I don't eat either one of them.

Plus, another name for mushrooms is "toadstools." That name bothers me a bit, but I can't tell you why.

Also, mushrooms are poisonous and you can

die from eating them.

How do I know this Keith person isn't some kind of nut who goes around poisoning people with mushrooms because his father wouldn't let him have a pony?

I have seen mushrooms growing, too. They grow in dark, damp places. Grub worms grow in the same environment. I don't eat grub worms and I don't eat mushrooms.

"The Californian" salad, which my companion was eating, came, I noticed, with mushrooms. He ate them all.

He didn't die, which surprised me, but he did turn a little green when I told him the part about grub worms growing in the same places where mushrooms grow.

"Who knows?" I added. "One of those grub worms could have been in your salad by mistake, and you could have eaten it."

He excused himself and ran to the restroom. I wiped the grease off my mouth, and got up and walked out of the restaurant.

Another day, another day without eating mushrooms. And remind me sometime to tell you why I don't eat bean sprouts, either.

(It has to do with grasshoppers.)

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Today in history

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 18, the 49th day of 1986. There are 316 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

One hundred and one years ago - on Feb. 18, 1885 - Mark Twain's "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" was published in the United States for the first time. The book made its debut in Britain and Canada in December 1884.

On this date:

Ten years ago: President Gerald Ford issued an executive order sharply restricting the power of intelligence agencies to intrude upon the lives and activities of U.S. citizens.

Five years ago: In a nationally-broadcast speech to Congress, President Ronald Reagan asked for budget cuts of \$41 billion in 83 major programs, increases in defense spending and tax cuts.

One year ago: Gen. William Westmoreland and CBS agreed to end a \$120 million libel suit brought by Westmoreland against the network over a documentary that charged Westmoreland misled the nation during the Vietnam War.

Deficit put back in lap of Congress

By William A. Rusher

The decision of a three-judge federal court, invalidating an unconstitutional automatic-cut provisions of Gramm-Rudman, will (if upheld by the Supreme Court, as seems likely) put the problem of deficit reduction right back where it belongs: in the lap of Congress. And since that august assemblage includes one of the largest collections of certified cowards on earth, it is probably safest to assume that nothing serious will be done about reducing the deficit.

Congress is, however, to some extent the victim of its own rhetoric in this matter. The House Democrats have yowled to high heaven about the deficit - not because they have the slightest record of true concern over deficits (quite the contrary), but be-

cause every other and better economic issue - inflation, high interest rates, unemployment - has collapsed under them. A number of Senate Republicans have joined the yowlers - partly, no doubt, out of genuine concern, but also partly out of a not very elevated desire to upstage a popular president, and (worst of all) partly out of a quiet complicity with the Democratic scheme to force a tax increase and then spend the proceeds.

The pressure to make major reductions in the deficit is therefore by no means over, and the best measure of its intensity is the extremes some of my brethren in the column business are being driven to in a desperate attempt to solve the problem.

Bill Safire, for example, recently demanded in exasperation to know why President Reagan insists on re-

garding Social Security as "the third rail of American politics." That's easy: because it is the third rail of American politics; step on it, and you're dead.

Social Security is a huge expense, and an obvious candidate for a certain amount of judicious pruning. Not being a coward, Mr. Reagan had proposed, early in his first administration cuts in certain aspects of the Social Security program: notably, reductions in the benefits payable to persons who elected to take early retirement at 62. In no time at all, however, the Democrats went into cardiac arrest and accused the Republicans of having a "secret agenda" to "gut" Social Security. Those hard-eyed budget-balancers in the Senate fled in terror, rejecting Mr. Reagan's proposal 96 to 0.

Tom Wicker, liberalism's most

"parfit gentil knight," has gone off on quite another tack. Breaking with current Democratic strategy altogether, Wicker argues that the deficit isn't as dangerous, or even as big, as it's cracked up to be.

Wicker is absolutely right in refusing to join in the mass hysteria over the deficit, but he is dead wrong in suggesting, by implication, that therefore deficit spending can safely continue at its current rate. Making deep cuts in the cost of government is the one major uncompleted assignment of the Reagan Revolution, and it is the indispensable precondition of a healthy economic future for this country. There lies the government, members of Congress: "like a patient etherized upon a table." Pick up your scalpels, and go to work.

Lawsuit challenges Baptist leader's action at convention

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A power struggle between two factions of the Southern Baptist Convention has top officials of the nation's largest Protestant denomination scurrying to smooth out the differences, which have come to a head in a federal lawsuit.

The convention's executive committee began meeting here Monday to plan its defense against the lawsuit filed in December by a group of disgruntled Baptists.

Robert and Julia Crowder of Birmingham, Ala., and Henry C. Cooper of Windsor, Mo., contend that Southern Baptist President Charles Stanley overstepped his authority during the denomination's 1985 convention last June in Dallas.

They claim the rights of the delegates to the convention were violated when Stanley, an Atlanta pastor and fundamentalist, declared out of order several attempts to amend his slate of officers.

The lawsuit is the latest move by moderates to voice their opposition to what they said was the

stacking of the denomination's administrative bodies with people they call heresy-hunting fundamentalists.

A similar suit, filed last month in an Atlanta Superior Court by churches in Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, Texas and Kentucky, asks for an injunction that would force church officials to adhere to convention bylaws and seeks to have the vote on the church officers reconsidered.

Infighting between moderates and fundamentalists was the centerpiece of the convention's annual meeting last year in Dallas, where a "peace committee" was appointed to try to heal the rift.

The fundamentalist faction says it wants more traditional Bible teachings imposed on the denomination, while moderates want more independence for churches and schools within the group.

However, W.C. Fields, an executive committee spokesman, said the strife is based on more than biblical interpretations. Division stems from a

"power struggle" between the groups, he said, and the lawsuit is the latest chapter in that struggle.

The denomination sought to have those who filed the suit barred from inquiring about the internal affairs of the convention, but a federal judge denied the request last week.

However, James Guenther, the SBC attorney, advised the executive committee Monday that the denomination, which represents 14.4 million Southern Baptists, would continue to defend itself on First Amendment grounds.

"In essence, our thrust is that the First Amendment prohibits the court from inquiring into the ecclesiastical governance of the convention," he said.

Fields said the convention, which contends a federal court does not have jurisdiction in the case, will also attempt to have the suit thrown out.

Efforts to reach the Crowders or Cooper by telephone for comment were unsuccessful.

Fields said the three had asked the executive

committee to reverse Stanley's action and deem it inappropriate, but the committee declined.

Meanwhile, he said the executive committee was concerned that the infighting was distracting the denomination from its current drive to increase membership to 20 million.

"The executive committee generally is trying to find ways to breach this rupture. Too much time, energy and intellect has been devoted to this task. That's diverted us from our main task," Fields said.

While membership has been rising, it has done so at a slow rate. Last year, Southern Baptists added about 136,000 members to its rosters, an increase of one percent, Fields said.

Baptists decreased by 5.6 percent, a figure that The Baptist Press, the information arm of the denomination, said reflects "that in 1985 it took 41.3 Southern Baptist church members to win one person in Christ."

Police: rush for 22-cent cars creates a mob scene

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — About 100 people, many of them shouting obscenities, responded to a car dealer's offer to sell used cars for 22 cents apiece to the first five customers to show up for a Washington's Birthday sale.

At one point Monday morning, security guards warned officials of Tom Benson Chevrolet that the front windows of the dealership were on the verge of caving in.

One of the first five in line — who asked that his name be withheld for personal safety reasons — said other people "were literally wanting to throw their bodies through the door" to get in first.

"The (first) five of us had to link ourselves together. You could hear the windows giving way. The people behind us were pushing and shoving, and the obscenities were flying. These were animals back there. I would call it a mob scene," he told the San Antonio Light.

The special 22-cent price was a promotional gimmick tied to Feb. 22 being George Washington's birthday.

Police were called to the dealership, but no arrests were made, officials said.

Benson Chevrolet ran newspaper and television advertisements Sunday offering the special 22-cent price for the five used cars on a "first-come, first-served" basis beginning at 9 a.m. Monday.

But customers began lining up in front of the dealership Saturday night. One successful buyer said the first people in line were shopping for used cars late Saturday afternoon when notices of the sale were posted on the premises.

By Sunday night, word filtered through a growing throng that the first five sale customers already had been determined, said Keri Cox, 24, who entered the line at 10:30 p.m. Sunday.

Ms. Cox and other disappointed shoppers said that one Benson employee told them the five cars were "given out" Saturday. Also, they said a security guard tried to talk some of the bargain seekers into going home, saying that the cars already were sold.

"The security guard was misinformed," said Bob Schonhoff, a Benson spokesman who came up with the idea for the sale, patting after others of its kind that he said had worked elsewhere for many years.

"If (the guard) was making any statement like that, he was speaking for himself, not the business."

"We see no problem with the ads. We said we would sell five cars at 22 cents, and we did. They were sold at 9 a.m. (Monday), first come, first served. You always have some people who are unhappy because they didn't get a 22-cent car."

One winning customer said he

drove to the dealership at 7 a.m. Sunday and became fourth in line after his wife heard a television commercial for the sale.

By 10:30 a.m., five people were there and began talking about which cars they would claim, he said.

He got a 1978 Ford Pinto for his 16-year-old daughter, whose birthday was Sunday. The cars — including a Chevrolet Chevette, Impala and Monte Carlo, an Oldsmobile station wagon and the Pinto — were listed for sale for 22 cents. Fifty-five other used cars on sale at higher, but still marked-down prices.

"The purpose of the ads was to sell those 60 cars," said Richard Stagg, Benson Chevrolet general manager.

Still, Donna Crotty, 29, who was in line early Monday, said the ads were misleading. She compiled a list of names of many of the angry would-be Benson customers and was threatening to file a class action suit against the dealership.

"It's not that the cars are worth that much," Ms. Cox said, referring to the five used cars, which were anywhere from 5 to 16 years old. "It's just the principle."

Schonhoff said no problems had been anticipated, and despite the difficulties this time, he probably will run the same sale again. Stagg could not say what new restrictions, if any, might be attached to a future such sale.

Principal and coach left separately, witness testifies

LIVINGSTON, Texas (AP) — A retired man who lives across the street from Hull-Daisetta Woodson Junior High School has testified he saw principal Hurley Fontenot and coach Billy Mac Fleming — whose body was found 10 days later — leave the school separately.

Fontenot, 48, is on trial for the murder of Fleming, 36. Prosecutors allege Fontenot killed the coach because of a lover's rivalry over the affections of Laura Nugent, 36, the school secretary.

Fleming's body was found last April near a logging road in Polk County 10 days after he disappeared.

Defense attorney Dick DeGuerin called Paul Gradney to the witness stand Monday to rebut previous witnesses who testi-

fied Fontenot and Fleming leave the school together.

However, Gradney admitted under cross-examination by prosecutors that he was uncertain whether the incident occurred April 12, the same day that Fleming disappeared.

Gradney, a retired Exxon employee, said he was sitting watching the school from his garage across the street when Fleming and Fontenot emerged.

Gradney, who has heart and kidney problems requiring dialysis, said he often watched the school, which is about 300 yards away, and knew both Fontenot and Fleming.

Gradney said he saw the coach and Fontenot come out of the school together about 3 p.m. and get into Fontenot's truck. Fonte-

not gave the coach a ride to the nearby field house and then let him out, he said.

After Fontenot left, the coach got in his own truck and drove off, Gradney testified.

"He came right on back, burning rubber, and parked his truck again and attempted to go through the (school building). He turned around and came back to the truck, then he went inside the school. The door slammed on his back and I have never seen him since," Gradney said.

Gradney also testified there was only one vehicle parked in front of the field house that day, although prosecution witnesses have said there were several.

He also said the coach was wearing a short-sleeved white shirt, while other witnesses have said he was wearing a bright colored long-sleeved shirt.



TORNADO DAMAGE — Milton Lankford leans against a car left under the rubble of a demolished trailer home after a tornado went through the Fairview, Tenn., area Monday afternoon. Lankford is a neighbor of Anita Gillette, who lived in the trailer that was ruined. (AP Laserphoto)

Tyler cyanide poisoning not yet linked to Tylenol, authorities say

TYLER, Texas (AP) — A 41-year-old Tyler man almost died earlier this month from cyanide poisoning, but laboratory tests have failed so far to confirm the possibility the poison was contained in Tylenol capsules, authorities said.

The Feb. 4 Tyler poisoning was reported to police on Feb. 11, one week after it occurred and three days after a New York woman died after taking a cyanide-laced dose of extra-strength Tylenol.

Tyler Police Capt. Bob Bond said authorities waited until Monday to release details of the poisoning so as to not unduly alarm the public.

"Since there were no other poisoning reports and because this appeared to be just an isolated incident, we held off knowing full well that at some point we had an obligation to the local public to reveal the information," Bond told the Tyler Morning Telegram.

Dr. Michael Welch, who treated the patient at Medical Center Hospital in this East Texas city, said he called the Food and Drug Administration shortly after the incident and was advised to contact Tyler police, which he did on Feb. 11.

The victim, whose name was not disclosed, survived the poisoning and was released from the hospital, officials said.

Welch said the only link to Tylenol has been the man's statement that he took two Tylenol capsules on the morning of Feb. 4 and two more about 3 p.m. that day. Immediately after taking the last two capsules, he told doctors, he dropped onto the floor and went into convulsions.

The remaining capsules were sent by hospital personnel to Dallas, where they were analyzed by the FDA, Bond said.

"The FDA officer in Dallas, Lloyd Hult, has told us by telephone — so far we have nothing in writing — that no sign of cyanide had been found in other capsules in the container, nor in the container itself," hospital spokeswoman Pat Adams told the Associated Press.

The man said he got the capsules at the pharmacy at the Mental Health-Mental Retardation regional center of East Texas, where he was employed.

Tests at Medical Center Hospital on the man showed he had ingested some type of cyanide. Bond said the man was rushed to the hospital, where doctors used

several extreme measures to keep him alive.

Welch said doctors found cyanide in a blood specimen and "so we had some inkling that something had happened to him, and he reported taking Tylenol before collapsing."

Bond said the level of poisoning "at this time is not clear," but he added that it is clear the man was definitely poisoned with cyanide.

"But at this stage of the investigation, we don't know who or when or even if the cyanide was put in the capsules," he said.

Theodore Rotto, director of investigations for the Dallas branch of the FDA, refused to disclose the results of his agency's investigation, but said the Tyler poisoning appeared to be an isolated case and not believed to pose a public health threat.

Rotto said the results of the FDA investigation were turned over to the FBI.

Rotto would not release the batch number of the Tylenol capsules.

Surgery on Siamese twins is delayed

HOUSTON (AP) — Doctors at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston are waiting for the Siamese twins transferred from El Paso to stabilize before they operate, a hospital spokeswoman said.

"They are in critical but stable condition," spokeswoman Joan London said Monday.

Tests conducted while the twins were in El Paso showed they have separate gastro intestinal tracts and four kidneys. A small portion of their liver is joined. X-rays taken last week revealed they share one of the upper chambers of their hearts.

The twins' father flew to Hous-

ton with them Sunday. Hospital officials at Providence Memorial Hospital, where the twins were born last Tuesday, declined to say whether the infants' mother was still in the hospital.

Ms. London said no tests have been performed on the twins since they arrived in Houston Sunday morning.

Terry Moreland, a member of the transport team from Providence accompanying the twins, said they left El Paso at 7 a.m. Sunday.

The parents are teachers at Ysleta Independent School district and have requested that their names not be released.

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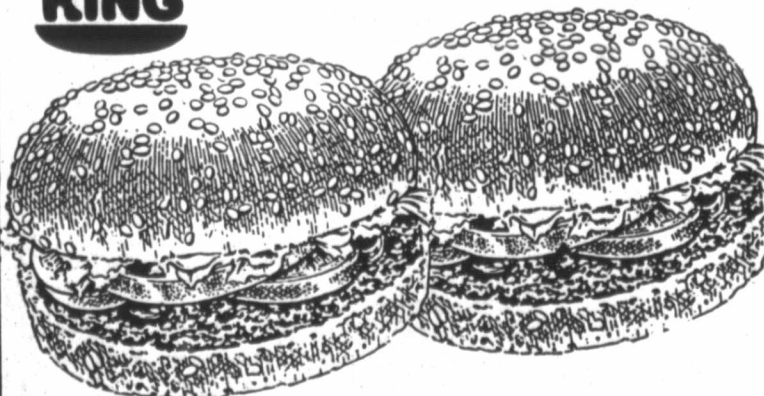
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READY FOR MARKET—Hilda Ruiz Marrero displays her plantains at a farmers market on the outskirts of Havana, Cuba,

recently. Farmers markets have been set up all over Havana to help ease food shortages. (AP Laserphoto)

Farming for profit in Cuba

HAVANA (AP) — Twice a week, Luis Acosta gets up at midnight and travels to a farmers market on the outskirts of Havana, where he and other entrepreneurs gather to engage in that once-forbidden relic of the pre-revolution era: capitalism.

Acosta, a youthful-looking 66, has to be at the market by 3 a.m. if he is to secure an up-front place to hawk his wares. At the 7 a.m. opening, streams of customers begin arriving, Cubans willing to pay high prices for the wide selection and generally good quality produce.

Scores of farmers markets have been set up all over Havana, the result of a government decision, reached somewhat reluctantly in 1981, to try to ease food shortages through what Presi-

dent Reagan likes to call "the magic of the marketplace."

Acosta clearly likes the system. Since the ban on capitalism was lifted, he has bought an air conditioner and a color television set and replaced wood construction at his home with cement. On this day, he's selling malangas, a potato-like vegetable, for 70 to 80 cents a pound. That is no small sum for Cuban workers, many of whom earn just 200 pesos a month. A peso is roughly equal to \$1, with 100 cents to the peso.

Nearby, Pedro Sosa, 34, is hard at work selling potatoes. A small smile betrays his satisfaction with how the day is going. Eight people are lined up to buy his potatoes at 40 cents a pound.

Sosa guesses he'll gross 480 pesos this day, an astronomical

sum for most Cubans. But his net income will be considerably less because of the 20 per cent tax he must pay and other costs of his operation.

He's doing a lot better than the flower vendor nearby, who expects net income this day of 15 pesos on sales totaling 30 to 40 pesos.

Like Acosta, Sosa believes in the system. Asked if he is doing better now than he was before, he replied, "Si, claro" (Yes, sure).

The markets are a departure from socialist orthodoxy but, in the wake of the discontent demonstrated during the Mariel boat lift in 1980, the government felt a modest dose of capitalism would improve the diet of Cubans and increase agricultural income.

Search intensifies for the Challenger's right rocket

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A deep-diving nuclear submarine headed here today to join the seabottom search for chunks of the right booster rocket that may have caused the explosion of space shuttle Challenger.

The NR-1, a seven-man Navy sub which can operate at a depth of 2,600 feet, was being towed from Connecticut by its support ship, the USS Sunbird. The 137-foot sub is equipped with cameras, floodlights and a grappling arm.

Sonar from surface ships and photos taken by a smaller four-man sub, the Johnson Sea-Link 2, indicate parts of the right booster are on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean, 1,200 feet down, 45 miles northeast of Cape Canaveral.

The Sea-Link 2 has been photographing the suspected wreckage for three days and its robot arm has brought a few small pieces to the surface.

Photos and videotapes taken by

the sub's crew are being examined by experts at Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., which oversees NASA's shuttle engine work.

NASA spokesman Hugh Harris said officials don't expect an answer before Wednesday on whether parts of the right rocket booster have been located.

Salvaging the remains of the rocket, if they have been found, could take several days because of murky waters and swift under-sea currents.

The focus of the investigation shifts today to Washington where the Senate subcommittee on science, technology and space scheduled hearings into the Jan. 28 accident that killed Challenger's seven-member crew.

Slated to testify were William P. Rogers, a former secretary of state who heads the presidential commission probing the tragedy; commission member and former astronaut Neil Armstrong, and

William Graham, acting administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Recovery of right rocket sections could provide a vital clue to what caused the explosion because NASA photographs show a puff of black smoke bursting from the booster near a seal on liftoff and a tongue of flame spewing from the same area 59 seconds into the flight.

Challenger's fuel tank, holding nearly 500,000 gallons of liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen, exploded at 73 seconds, eight miles high.

The presidential commission has focused on the right-hand booster as one of the most likely causes of the explosion.

Engineers particularly want to look at an area near a seal between the lower two of the rocket's four segments, where the smoke and flame were seen.

Pilot, map errors denied

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — The government began an inquiry today into the sinking of a Soviet cruise ship carrying 739 passengers and crew, and officials rejected the Soviet skipper's suggestion that map errors and a New Zealand pilot were to blame for the accident.

Meanwhile, a naval officer who was involved in rescuing passengers and crew from the Mikhail Lermontov on Sunday night said emergency equipment on board the Soviet liner was in a dangerous state of repair that might have proved fatal had the ship been farther out to sea.

The ship, on a 14-day Pacific cruise, went down in about 100 feet of water about two hours after it hit struck a reef in a channel near the northern tip of New Zealand's South Island.

Rescuers saved all of the 409 passengers and all but one of the Soviet crewmen, an engineer who is presumed to have drowned. Maritime experts said the ship probably could be salvaged.

Prime Minister David Lange

described the rescue as a "really remarkable achievement," but said there were "disquieting aspects" about the sinking.

The captain, Vladislav Vorobyev, said in an interview with Soviet television Monday night that New Zealand pilot Don Jamison "decided to take a route where there were no indications of depth on the map."

But New Zealand maritime officials said the charts were "more than adequate," and that Jamison, an experienced navigator, had handed over control of the 20,000-ton liner well before it hit the reef.

Passengers who arrived in Wellington aboard rescue vessels early Monday said Jamison made an announcement to that effect over the ship's public

address system well before they felt the jolt of the ship hitting rocks.

The Royal New Zealand Navy's chief hydrographer, Cmdr. Ken Robertson, said today that charts clearly showed where the waters were less than 33 feet deep.

The Leningrad-registered ship, named after a famous 19th century Russian writer, had a draught of 27 feet.

"If I were in command of a 20,000-ton vessel I would have passed well to seaward of all rocks," Robertson said. "I would have no good reason for attempting to go through there."

As the investigation got under way, naval officer Lt. Peter Batchelor criticized safety precautions aboard the Mikhail Lermontov.

Food-short Sudan expects a record grain crop this year

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — After three years of drought and famine, eastern Sudan is bringing in a record grain crop. But the government says it cannot afford to get it to hungry Sudanese in other parts of the huge country.

The government and United Nations relief officials are seeking about \$120 million from international donors to get the grain to the 5 million people they estimate are still going hungry.

"Definitely some of them will starve to death," said Aziz Saleh of Egypt, chief representative in Sudan for the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization.

Most of those in need, Saleh added, are in the arid, far western province of Darfur and in northern Kordofan province in central Sudan. He said those areas had poor rains and lacked enough seeds for planting because people had to eat them during the famine.

Pockets of famine, he said, exist in the Red Sea Hills in the northeast and in Eastern

Equatoria in the far south, where a civil war has disrupted food production and distribution.

Saleh said the eastern farmers this year expect to harvest 4.6 million tons of cereals: sorghum, the staple food; millet, and wheat. This compares to 1.5 million tons last season and an average of 2.6 million tons the previous five years.

Sudan's annual grain needs are estimated at around 3.1 million tons. This would mean a surplus of around 1.5 million tons for the 1985-86 season.

A main problem, however, according to relief workers, Western diplomats and the government, is that the country has no funds to pay farmers and middle men a fair price for the grain and the transport costs — thus the appeal to international donors.

"Now, we really speak in Sudan of a cash famine; it is not a crop famine," Prime Minister El-Gazouly Dafaallah told a group of foreign journalists recently.

TYRE, Lebanon (AP) — Israeli troops backed by tanks, gunships and missile boats stormed southern Lebanese villages and reportedly battled hand-to-hand with Shiite Amal militiamen today, the second day of a search

for two soldiers captured by Moslem guerrillas.

Beirut radio charged that the sweep was an "outright new invasion" by Israel, and said Lebanese militia fighters engaged the Israelis in several Shiite Moslem villages.

Witnesses said Israel poured hundreds of armored personnel carriers, tanks and buses filled with soldiers across the mountainous border into Lebanon at first light.

They reinforced more than 600 tank-led Israeli troops who punched north Monday from their buffer zone in southern Lebanon behind a screen of strafing helicopter gunships.

The Israelis moved into be-

tween 15 and 20 Shiite Moslem villages and advanced 12 miles north of the occupied zone, but failed to locate the two soldiers captured in an ambush inside the security zone earlier Monday.

It was the first capture of Israelis reported since Israel pulled most of its forces out of southern Lebanon last June after three years of occupation.

In Israel, the state radio quoted Prime Minister Shimon Peres as saying during a tour of Tel Aviv that Israel will not give up the search "until we discover the tracks of the kidnapers."

Reporters waiting near the Israeli border village of Biranit heard machinegun fire rippling across the hills of southern Leba-

non at mid-morning, and saw the trails of warplanes in Lebanese skies. Israeli warplanes crashed the sound barrier over the southern ports of Tyre and Sidon as well as Beirut, causing window-rattling sonic booms.

The Islamic Resistance, a coalition of Shiite Moslem factions loyal to Iran's revolutionary patriarch Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, claimed to have captured the two soldiers and said both Israeli captives were "being treated for serious wounds." State-run Lebanese television Monday evening showed film of a man, his entire head bandaged, in a bed under a bloodstained sheet, and said he was one of the Israeli prisoners. There was no way to verify the claim.

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Women seeking to increase their showing in the Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — It has the look of a classic political matchup:

On the Democratic side, a five-term U.S. representative whose liberal roots run deep in state and local politics.

On the Republican side, a top White House aide whose conservative credentials include a combative stint on the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

Both are candidates for the U.S. Senate in Maryland. And both are women.

If Barbara Mikulski, Democrat, and Linda Chavez, Republican, win their respective primaries on Sept. 9 — and both are considered front-runners — it would mark the first U.S. Senate race in which voters choose between women.

The prospect is exciting to the

women's groups that have fought long and hard to put women in the nation's top elective offices. Although 15 women have served as senators since 1922, it was not until 1978 that a woman — Nancy Landon Kassebaum of Kansas — was elected in her own right without following a spouse into office.

Today, Mrs. Kassebaum and Sen. Paula Hawkins of Florida are the only two women U.S. senators.

This year, 10 women are running for the 34 Senate seats at stake — still not a large number, but a better show than in years past.

"It's going to take a while before we all wise up to the fact that there's not just men on this little globe," said David Narsavage, communications director of the Republican Senatorial Campaign

Committee, which recruits and helps candidates. "We've got some years to go before we're up to parity in terms of representation, male-female."

Political observers believe that several of the 10 women seeking Senate seats can win in November. "None of these are sacrificial lambs," said Rosalie Whelan, executive director of the National Women's Education Fund.

Added Celinda Lake of the Women's Campaign Fund, an independent bipartisan committee devoted to electing women:

"This is the most exclusive, most expensive club in the world. Senate seats in this country cost more than prime minister seats in a lot of Western European countries. It is a tough club to break into. Women have a very good shot this time."



ONCE UPON A TIME — A cartoon in Puck magazine on December 7, 1887, shows the Surplus Monster in the House of Representatives with politicians, including President

Grover Cleveland, left, running in all directions. The cartoon, timed for the opening of Congress, comments on the surplus in the federal budget. (AP Laserphoto)

Trustees exonerate professors accused of advocating evolution

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — Trustees of Abilene Christian University voted their support of two biology professors accused of advocating evolution in their classrooms last year.

ACU President Dr. William J. Teague announced the trustees' decision, and the concurrence of the university's Senior Board and National Board, at the end of a Monday night session of ACU's annual Bible Lectureship.

The two professors, although they were not identified to a lectureship audience, or in a nine-page committee report that exonerated them, had been identified elsewhere as Dr. Ken Williams, professor of biology, and Dr. Archie Manis, associate professor of biology.

Abilene Christian University is a college operated by the Church of Christ.

Also during the lectureship, Dr. B.J. Humble, an ACU Bible professor, called for unity in Christendom, and called on members of the Churches of Christ to recognize that the whole "body of Christ" is not limited to those who are members of 12,000 listed congregations of the Churches of Christ.

Concerning Williams and Manis, the trustees endorsed an investigating committee report that found "no evidence" that the two

sought to convince their students of the truth of organic evolution, or intended to undermine the faith of their students in the truth of the Bible.

The report rebutted accusations by Dr. Bert Thompson, an ACU graduate and microbiologist by training.

Thompson operates a publishing company, teaches at an Alabama Bible college, and travels over much of the country giving lectures attacking evolution.

Thompson, in a 200-page booklet published early in 1986, asserted that overwhelming evidence showed that Williams and Manis were teaching organic evolution as factual.

As evidence, Thompson cited the testimony of a student identified elsewhere as Mark Scott and a "handout" from one of Manis' spring 1985 classes titled "Evolution Notes."

In the margin of "Evolution Notes," Manis penned the words "hymn" and "myth."

Thompson said the words, along with other materials he was sent, proved the case against the two professors "beyond any shadow of a doubt."

"Hymn" and "myth" are terms used by "modernists" who assert that the first two chapters of Genesis are not to be taken

literally, Thompson wrote in his publication, "Is Genesis Myth?"

The investigating committee accepted a Dec. 8 statement from Manis in which he defined "myth" as a "body of information essential to understanding a culture, whether the information is true or false."

In the same statement, Manis said he used the word "hymn" to denote "the brevity, grace and beauty of the Genesis account."

In his Dec. 8 statement, Manis said he used the handouts "without thinking how they would look to someone not in the class." He pledged not to use the handout again, and to annotate fully future handouts.

Manis explained that his purpose in handing out "Evolution Notes" was "to warn his students to expect such things in their studies after leaving ACU, and to prepare them to deal with them."

The committee in its report said it interviewed 105 current ACU biology students, and found 101 positive to strongly positive in support of the accused professors.

One, understood to be Scott, was "strongly negative," and three students were partially negative, the three suggesting that the professors should have more actively refuted evolution in their classes.

Oh, what a problem: Congress once had too much money to spend

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Forty-nine Congresses and 99 years ago, the nation's lawmakers had a problem, a money problem, a monstrous money problem. And dealing with it tied them in knots.

Things were different then. A lot different. The federal Treasury was bulging with an enormous surplus. And no one could agree on how to get rid of it or how to spend it.

Today, in the 99th Congress, the money problem screaming for attention is far too little federal money.

Congress is struggling with enormous, even monstrous budget deficits. And, in the Gramm-Rudman deficit-reduction law, lawmakers have come up with a complicated and painful plan to whittle deficits down to zero by 1991, cutting federal spending drastically in the process.

In this climate, the idea of a federal surplus is difficult even to imagine, but in the 1880s it was no laughing matter.

The great surplus crisis was recalled last week by the official

House historians. Their account was published in one of a series of bulletins issued to call attention to the bicentennial of the House, which, along with the Constitution, will be celebrated in 1989.

As early as the Andrew Jackson administration, federal income surpassed federal outlays, igniting unpleasant debates over national economic policy.

In 1836, a year government spending totaled \$30 million, the surplus was growing at a rate of \$5 million a month.

But 50 years later the surplus was far greater, piling up at the rate of \$100 million a year or more through the 1880s. In fact, there was a federal revenue surplus every year from 1866 through 1893.

According to the House historians, the 49th Congress refused to deal with the surplus, which, they conclude, was "largely a product of the high tariffs that allegedly protected growing industries and maintained the relatively high wages of American workers."

Since few supported ending the import duties, other ways were needed to dispose of the surplus.

"Republican administrations ... diverted the surplus to generous pension schemes for Union Army veterans," the historians said. "In Congress, the tariff supporters absorbed the surplus with pork-barrel projects for their home districts."

But, according to the House historians, President Grover Cleveland rejected all of these plans.

He complained that the veterans' pensions had become the largest item in the federal budget, after payments were made on the national debt, and that pork-barrel projects "invited congressional extravagance if not corruption," the historians said.

The debate became intertwined with the issue of protectionist tariffs as a bill emerged that would cut the surplus in half by cutting import duties. It survived a filibuster in the House and was adopted after 240 hours of debate and noisy demonstrations from the House galleries.

But the bill died in the Republican-controlled Senate, and when the Republicans captured the White House and both houses of Congress in the 1888 presidential elections, "they passed their own revision of the tariff and raised duties to the highest levels in history."

"The problem of the surplus disappeared not through the actions of president or Congress but rather in the severe depression of the 1890s," the House historians said. "Although a surplus returned in the 1920s, never again would it be the central source of political debate in Congress."

Farm machinery sales are down again

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales of new and used farm machinery to farmers are expected to drop again in 1986, in a seven-year slump that shows little sign of easing, according to new projections by the Agriculture Department.

Farm machinery sales peaked at nearly \$11.8 billion in 1979. This year, analysts say, sales could be less than half of that, perhaps in the range of \$5.25 billion to \$5.5 billion.

The latest projection was included in a new outlook report by the department's Economic Research Service. If sales do drop to the level indicated for 1986, they would be down 10 percent to 14 percent from \$6.1 billion last year.

Carlos Sisco, who worked on the report, said 1986 machinery sales could be the lowest since the mid-1970s.

The reason for the drop in machinery sales has been the crunch on farm income in recent years and the plummet in farmland values, which has reduced sharply the assets and borrowing power of farmers.

Real estate assets, for example, were shown in the report at

\$638.2 billion as of Dec. 31, 1985, down from \$693.7 billion at the end of 1984. Since Dec. 31, 1980, real estate assets have dropped more than \$200 billion, according to the report.

Another decline is expected this year, with farm real estate assets projected in the range of \$600 billion to \$620 billion on Dec. 31, 1986. Farm debt, meanwhile, continues at near-record levels, estimated at \$212.1 billion as of Dec. 31, 1985. The peak was \$217.2 billion at the end of 1982.

"Consequently, domestic demand for farm machinery will be further affected," the report said. "Capital expenditures for new and used tractors are forecast to total \$1.8 billion to \$1.9 billion in 1986, compared with an estimated \$2.05 billion last year."

Farm spending on all other new and used machinery is expected to drop to between \$3.45 billion and \$3.6 billion this year, compared with \$4.05 billion in 1985.

"The projected declines are due somewhat to reduced machinery prices, but for the most part reflect expected lower unit sales," the report said.

If the 1986 projections are accurate, the U.S. farm machinery industry probably will continue efforts to curb production in order to keep inventories in line

with sales, it added.

Purchases of most farm machinery dropped sharply in 1985 and are expected to decline further this year. In particular, sales of farm wheel tractors of over 100 horsepower, along with grain harvesting equipment, fell significantly last year, the report said.

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"As more domestic tractor production capacity is relocated abroad, and exports continue to decline, a positive farm machinery trade balance will be increasingly difficult to maintain," the report said.

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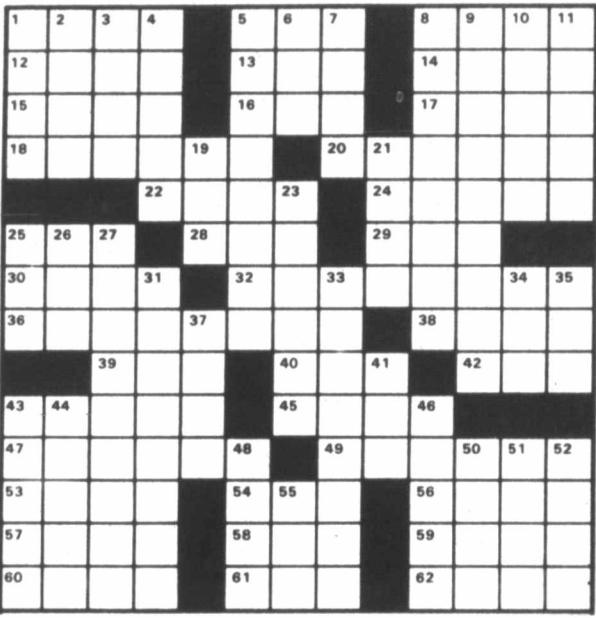
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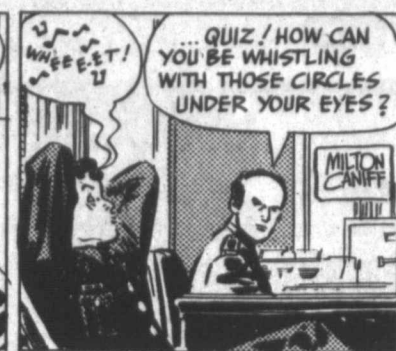
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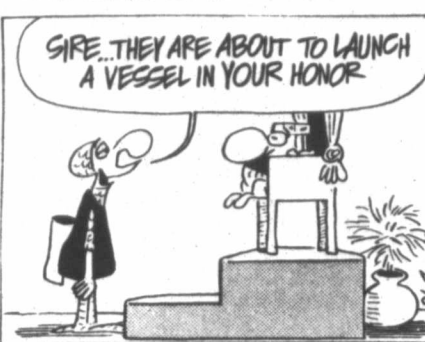


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In the year ahead you will be doing things on a grander scale than you've ever done in the past. You will become involved in big venture that would have previously intimidated you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You are now in a brief cycle of exceptional career or work opportunity. Get ready to move fast when things begin breaking your way. Major changes are ahead for Aquarians in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1848, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Others will see you for what you are today and they'll be impressed by your warmth and compassionate nature. Your actions will draw friends closer to you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Open-ended projects can be brought to a happy conclusion today. If you have anything dangling, press a bit harder to eliminate it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This can be an exciting and productive day for you, especially if you're working on a big new project. Your enthusiasm will be transmitted to others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Financial trends look encouraging for you today. If funds are due you they'll be collectible, with perhaps a little interest thrown in.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You're apt to be luckier today in situations that serve your self-interests, rather than those of others. Try to focus on personal objectives.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Something advantageous is stirring for you, but it might be screened from your view. Others could be aware, but you may not learn of it today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Our real wealth lies in our friendships. You'll be doubly blessed today because you have two good pals you can count on when the chips are down.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do things that will please your superiors today, even if you have to work a trifle harder than usual. Solid efforts will be acknowledged.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You'll have a pleasant day if your attitude is positive and outgoing. Your happy spirits will have an electrifying effect upon your companions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There is financial opportunity around you today, but not from your usual channels or sources. It's a new stream that you've never tapped.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Matters you negotiate on a one-to-one basis will work out well today. You'll be shrewd in getting a good deal, yet you'll also be scrupulously honest.

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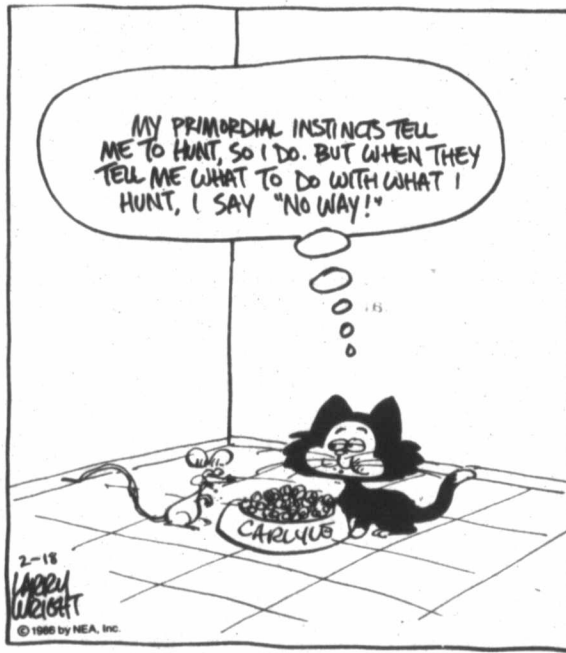
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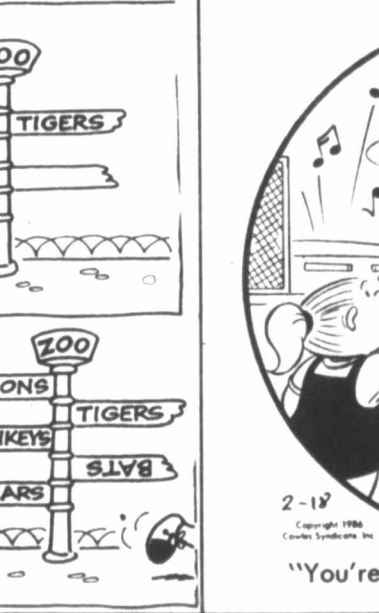
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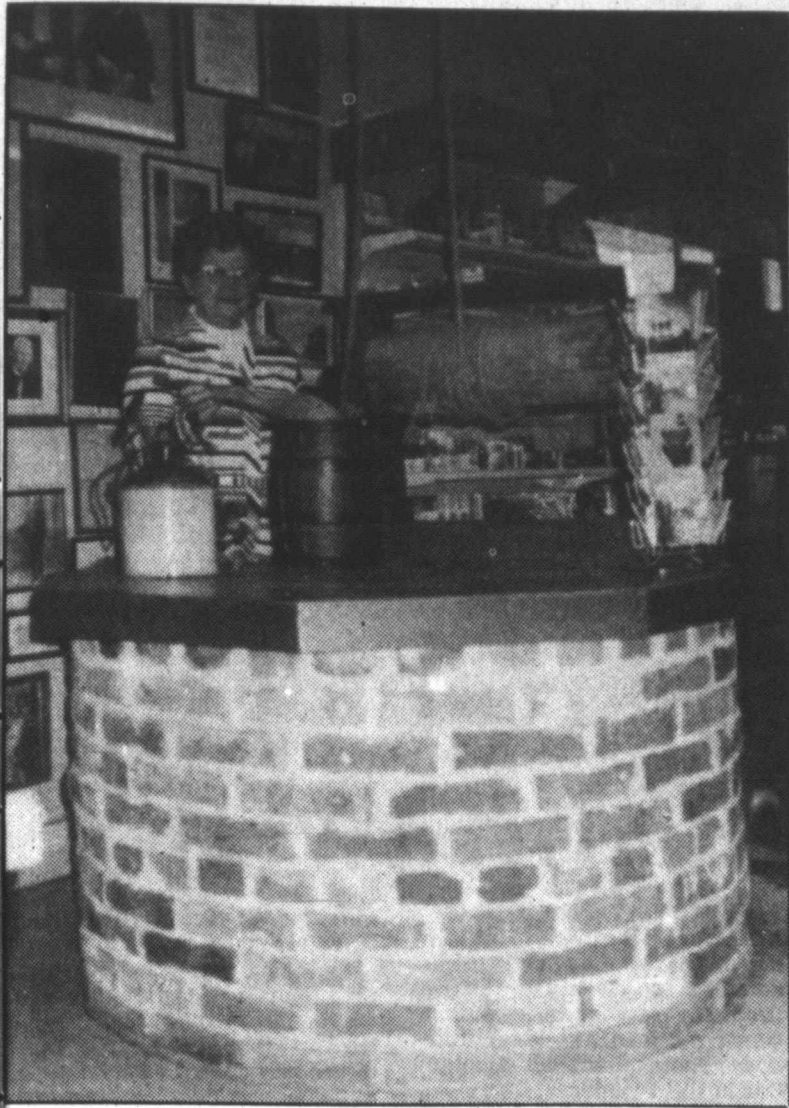
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LIFESTYLES

Step back in time in this store



STEP BACK IN TIME—Mary Jane Stripling stands by the well inside the Stripling Drug store in San Augustine. The downtown drugstore has been in continuous operation since 1904. (AP Laserphoto)

SAN AUGUSTINE, Texas (AP) — If you've been searching all over for Swamp Root, S.S.S. Tonic, Dr. J.H. McLean's Volcanic Oil Liniment or Black-Draught Tablets like Grandma used to take, look no further.

The Stripling Drug Store in downtown San Augustine has all these remedies of old and more. Step back in time by stepping into the downtown drugstore that has been in continuous operation since 1904.

Part-owner Mary Jane Stripling offers a warm welcome to visitors. "We love the tourists, we cater to the tourists," she said. The store is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday, at 107 Columbia.

Folks from Houston get all enthused over the fact that the drugstore still has a fountain where you can order up a frosty shake or thick malt, she said. Soft drinks and "personalized" hamburgers made to please the patron's palate are also served.

Miss Stripling chatted to visitors recently as they sat on the comfortable counter stools and sipped cherry Cokes. The cherry Cokes were the original kind where the cherry flavoring is squirted in separately from the cola, so that you can see where the ice is red.

She pointed out the old-fashioned display cases and drawers. The wooden drawers have white enamel knobs lettered

in black. Some of the quaint names on the front were corn cures, bluing, borax, licorice, catarrh cure, ink, paraffin, and razor "strops."

"We still sell patent medicines," she said. Asafetida, for example, is sold in liquid or in blocks that some people hang around their necks to ward off sickness. "It smells to high heaven," she said. Turpentine and Dr. Tichenor's Mouthwash are also available, as well as a variety of products bearing the brand name "666."

Miss Stripling is the daughter of R.N. Stripling, a pharmacist and county judge who ran the store from 1904 until his death in 1978 at the age of 97.

R.N. Stripling learned the trade from his brother, Sam Stripling, who had a drugstore in Nacogdoches. He washed bottles and acquainted himself with pharmaceutical practices for the sum of 50 cents a day.

When he had learned everything his brother had to teach him, there was not really a place for him in Nacogdoches anymore. The store didn't need two pharmacists. So, Miss Stripling related, "He said he was going over to Diboll to take his pharmacy test and if he didn't pass, he was going to go to work at the sawmill."

He did pass the test and in 1904 he opened his drugstore in San Augustine. In 1963 he decided to take advantage of an existing

point of interest by reexcavating a well that his store had been built over. The well still sits inside the store and visitors can open the covering and toss in a coin to make a wish. A printed history tells the following story:

"It was dug to a depth of 27 feet by slave labor in 1860 and lined with the circular brick used in that day. The well supplied citizens of this early Texas town on the King's Highway with water for drinking and cooking and fighting fires."

"In 1891, when San Augustine residents had their own wells, a saloon keeper bought the land with the well and built a frame building over it for a new saloon; the well was near the saloon bar and the bartender kept the beer cool by lowering it into the water in sacks."

"When saloons were voted out in 1902, a bottling plant took over the building and used water from the well for making soft drinks. Stripling came from Nacogdoches and opened a drugstore across the street from the bottling plant in 1904. He acquired water from the well for use in his soda fountain. But in 1917, the First National Bank of San Augustine bought the property. The frame structure was torn down, the well was filled in, surface bricks were removed and a new bank building was erected. Stripling bought the building later for his new drugstore site."

Photographs of early San Augustine are mounted next to the well. For a small fee, visitors may tour the mini-museum upstairs to see more artifacts. Thick old ledgers, glue pots, antique pharmaceutical containers, a buggy foot warmer, and a long-ago funeral ensemble of long black dress, black gloves, black hat and black veil are some of the items on display.

An 1840 marriage agreement between William W. Frizzell and Isabella V. Culp is interesting. In a forerunner of modern prenuptial agreements, the two were quite specific as to property and monies that were to be involved in their wedded bliss.

Speaking of wedded bliss, a May 1941 article in the magazine "True Story" on display made spellbinding reading. The title was "18 A Week Love Nest" and it was written from a young wife's point of view. It was all about how she justified quitting her job so that she could stay home and be a better wife. One of her principal arguments was that by not working, she could save 47 cents a week on stockings.

Miss Stripling wished the visitors well, so to speak, as they were leaving and offered a guarantee on any coins that they might have dropped into the watery hole. "As my dad used to say, 'If your wish doesn't come true, come back next year and I'll give you your money back.'"



Dear Abby

Rekindled romance sparks trouble in two marriages

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 30-year-old divorcee. I married Larry (not his real name) when I was 16 and left him (like a fool) for another man when I was 18. I never realized what a jewel Larry was until it was too late.

Larry got married and now he has three children. In the meantime, I've been living with this other guy, "Barney," for six years. We have a child but we're not married yet. We plan to make it legal in the near future.

I have always regretted leaving Larry and have prayed for a reconciliation, but after all these years I never thought I had a chance. Well, I ran into him two weeks ago in a parking lot, and it was like our very first meeting all over again! We have seen each other a couple of times since and now he wants to leave his wife and marry me.

Should I leave Barney and go back to Larry? Let me know soon. Barney and I are booked on a cruise, and we'll lose our deposit if we don't cancel by March 10. Thank you.

LIBBY (NOT MY REAL NAME)

DEAR LIBBY: Slow down. If Larry isn't thinking about his family obligations, he should be. You also have a child to consider as well as a six-year relationship. Don't do anything without considering the consequences very, very carefully. Go on the cruise you've planned with Barney and try to get your head straight before you go off the deep end.

DEAR ABBY: I have seen many letters in your column complaining about snoring bed partners. Your stock answer: "See an ear-nose doctor for a possible minor surgical solution." I have a better idea.

My husband was the champion snorer of them all. Then one day we figured out his snoring might be caused by breathing through his mouth, so we bought some paper "tape" 1 inch wide, and he began taping his mouth closed every night before going to sleep. (He would say, "No more talking, I am going to tape up now.") Then he would press

his lips together and tape them shut. After sleeping quietly all night long, he would peel off the tape in the morning. (It peels off easily.)

This worked for 20 years. I have told others. Some say this will stop their breathing. Not so.

MRS. L.P. IN L.A.

DEAR MRS. L.P.: It sounds too good to be true, but I wouldn't recommend it for others without suggesting that they run it by their doctor to make sure it's safe for them. Another suggestion: Buy one of those machines that drone on endlessly to drown out street noises, snoring and other disturbing sounds that interfere with sleeping. They are available at sleep shops, hardware stores and listed in most gadget catalogs. If you try either of these suggestions, please let me know if it works for you. Pleasant dreams.

DEAR ABBY: You asked "Forgotten Parents," who had never seen a dime of the \$10,000 their son had borrowed from them 10 years ago, if they had a promissory note. This reminded me that years ago, we foolishly loaned \$5,000 to a relative without any kind of IOU or promissory note. Instead of asking for one after he had the money, my wife wrote to him asking when we could expect a partial payment on the \$7,500 he owed us.

Quick as a flash we received a letter from him advising us that he did not owe us \$7,500—it was only \$5,000!

Mission accomplished. We got it in writing.

SHREWD IN EL CENTRO, CALIF.

(Is your social life in a slump? Lonely? Get Abby's updated, revised and expanded booklet, "How to Be Popular"—for people of all ages. Send your name and address clearly printed with a check or money order for \$2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents) self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Popularity, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.)

Women managers seminar scheduled

Former Pampan Connie Sitterly is to address the situations women confront when they become managers at a seminar, March 8, sponsored by the Amarillo chapter of Federally Employed Women (FEW) in the Quality Inn Convention Center in Amarillo.

The comprehensive one-day seminar is to cover the following topics: setting priorities and reaching goals; selling ideas and negotiating; identifying career blocks; making changes, taking risks, networking; preparing for moving-up; resolving conflicts, working with unlikeable people; acquiring power, understanding office politics; managing the boss, motivating self and others.

Sitterly, M.A., is an associate with Management Training Specialists, a Fort Worth-Dallas based firm. She specializes in management development in public and private sectors, entry level through officers. A frequent speaker before professional and trade organizations, she has trained hundreds in preparing personnel for making the best of their job opportunities for career advancement and for increasing and enhancing image, attitude and performance in present positions.

Author, trainer, consultant, Sitterly combines motivational teaching style with a practical skills-oriented approach. She has

conducted in-house training for many government, and professional agencies, and civic organizations on a local, state and national level.

Sitterly is now adjunct professor, Texas Woman's University, Denton, and formerly assistant professor, Amarillo College, department of Mid-Management. She is 1982 recipient of USSBA Private Sector Award for Volunteerism, 1983 Outstanding Young Woman, 1983 Soroptimist, International Women Helping Women Award, 1983 Valuable Contribution to Improvement of Postal Service, Oklahoma District, among others.

Registration for the seminar begins at 8:30 a.m., with the seminar beginning at 8:45 a.m. It will adjourn at 3:30 p.m. Registration fee covers tuition, buffet lunch, workbook and instructional materials and certificate. For more information on registration, please contact Mary Calvert at (806) 376-7435 (home) or 376-2691 (office).

The Amarillo area chapter of FEW, a non-profit organization, meets the third Monday of each month (except July and August). The purpose of the group is to end sex discrimination and promote equality in government service; to promote professionalism in all levels of government employment and to improve the merit system.

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Too much daydreaming can be problem

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — Everyone, psychologists agree, profits from a vibrant fantasy life, but there can be times when daydreaming becomes too much of a good thing, says a professor of psychology at United States International University in San Diego.

"Easy access to a rich fantasy life is associated with people who are healthy and possess the ability to empathize and relate to other people," says Dr. Lee Lawrence.

But fantasy can become counterproductive, adds Lawrence, who notes that these are warning signs:

—When an inappropriate amount of time is spent daydreaming. "True, I talk of dreams, which are the children of an idle brain, Begot of nothing but vain fantasy," is how Shakespeare described it. If the tasks of daily life are simply not getting done, take heed. Fantasy is assuming an "avoidance function" in this case, allowing responsibilities to be avoided.

SPORTS SCENE

Wheeler girls go for regional berth tonight

By DAN MURRAY
Sports Writer

WHEELER — Wheeler Mustangettes coach Jan Newland doesn't know much about the Adrian Matadors, who her team will face in the area round of the state Class 1A girls basketball playoffs tonight. But Newland knows her Mustangettes, and says its what they do and not who they play that's most important.

Wheeler was expected to make the area playoff game, which will begin at 7 tonight in Borger, but the Mustangettes really expected to see Claude and not Adrian opposite them.

Adrian foiled that meeting when it upset Claude 51-48 last Friday night in Canyon, and Saturday Newland hit the road and telephone to find out what she could about the Matadors. It wasn't much.

"I don't know a lot except they're big," Newland

said. "They're mostly an inside team...They did some things defensively against Claude that we haven't played against this year, but you can't ever tell what they'll do against us...In the playoffs you don't have time to get much in the way of scouting reports.

"It doesn't matter, really. I'm not going to change up a thing. We're going to go with what we've done all along. Your kids are used to playing one kind of ball and it's stupid to change in mid-stream."

Especially if the team's been playing the kind of ball the Mustangettes have. Wheeler's girls are 26-3 and ranked seventh among Texas Class 1A girls teams. They blew through District 4-1A undefeated and at one time won 23 consecutive games. Wheeler will hit Adrian with a pressuring man-on-man defense for the whole game and history says

guard DeeAnn Jolly and post Marlo Hartman will both score in double figures. It's safe to say that the Mustangettes won't sneak up on anyone.

Adrian's a less-known commodity. The Matadors are 17-10 and finished behind Vega, which beat Groom 64-56 in bi-district, in their loop. Vega beat the Matadors 60-50 last week for the district championship, then Adrian caught Claude by surprise.

The Matadors got most of their points from 6-0 junior Amy Brown and 5-10 senior Vicki Fairchild, and came back from a 32-22 halftime deficit. Adrian resurrected itself when Claude's star guard, Cenece Gunter, sat out all but one minute of the third quarter, allowing the Matadors to make a 10-0 run.

Foul trouble is something Wheeler has to watch out for against Adrian, too. Mustangettes' post

Hartman, a 6-0 junior who leads the team in scoring, got three fouls in the first half of Wheeler's 52-41 bi-district win over Booker. The Matadors surely will try to work the ball inside on Wheeler and try to get Hartman in a similar predicament.

"We have to watch the fouls, but if we don't let 'em have the ball inside, we won't have to worry about that," Newland said.

The Mustangettes are in the midst of their fourth straight trip to the playoffs, and by winning tonight they would achieve one of their team goals for the season. That's a return trip to the regional tournament in Levelland, where Wheeler was eliminated by Anton in the first game last year.

"One of our goals was going to the regional tournament and performing better than we did last year," Newland said.

If the Mustangettes win tonight they'll get that chance.

Herschel will play somewhere

DALLAS (AP) — Herschel Walker says he's loyal to the United States Football League and wants to see it do well, but if the league doesn't play this fall he will probably join the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League.

"I'm going to stay with the USFL as long as I can — if they're going to play football," Walker told USA Today in its Tuesday editions.

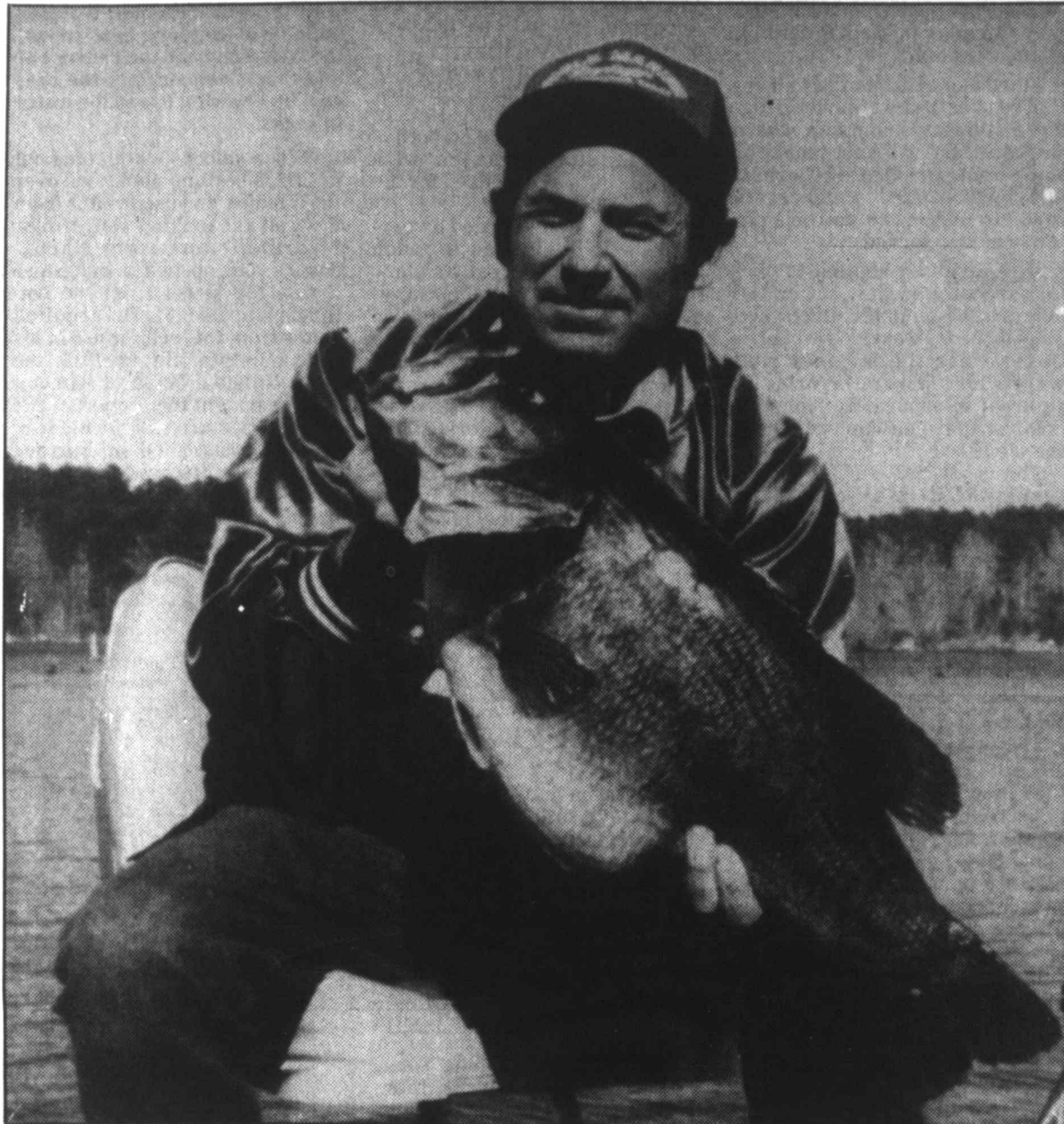
"I'm very loyal to the USFL. I want to see the league to do well because it's going to help out a lot of athletes, but ... if they don't play football, I think I've got to do what's best for Herschel."

Walker's agent, Peter Johnson, had told the Dallas Morning News on Sunday that if the USFL goes along with the recommendation of one owner to cancel or delay the 1986 fall season, Walker likely would join the Cowboys, who drafted him in the fifth round last year.

"Herschel will be playing this fall, either for the (New Jersey) Generals or the Cowboys. I can't get into specifics about his contract, but he is not going to wait for the USFL if they don't play this year," Johnson said Sunday.

"Well, it does have time schedule in there," Walker said.

The USFL is meeting Wednesday in New York, and will consider the request of Baltimore's Myles Tannenbaum that the league suspend play until the resolution of the USFL's \$1.32 billion lawsuit against the NFL. That would preclude the USFL's being ready for a fall 1986 season.



RECORD CATCH—Earl Crawford shows a 16.9-pound largemouth bass he caught Sunday on Lake Pinkston near Center, a catch large enough to set a new Texas state record if certified. The catch was not immediately

certified because state offices were closed Monday for a holiday. The current record, which has stood for five years, is 15 pounds, eight ounces. (AP Laserphoto)

Spartans back in top twenty

By HARRY ATKINS

AP Sports Writer Michigan State is back among college basketball's Top Twenty for the first time in over a year and guess who was first to offer congratulations? None other than Michigan Coach Bill Frieder.

The Spartans, unranked since the eighth week of last season, are 17-6 and No. 19 in this week's poll of writers and broadcasters. Michigan, which has been among the leaders all season, is No. 7 this week and the Wolverines host the Spartans in a Big Ten showdown on Thursday night.

"They belong there, that's super," Frieder said. "I've felt for a long time they belonged in the Top Twenty. I think they deserve to be 12 or 13 but, you know, in the Big Ten we're never going to be ranked as high because we play each other so often. We just beat up on ourselves too much."

Michigan State Coach Jud Heathcote, who has earned his money both on and off the court this season, said the Spartans' emergence was a credit to his team, especially to its three guards — Scott Skiles, Vernon Carr and Darryl Johnson.

"We've had a surprisingly good season, so I'm happy for the

kids," said Heathcote, whose team has had to make do without a big man. "Now we've got to play No. 7 at their place, so maybe this will be our lone shot at the Top Twenty. But, we're going to enjoy it. We're proud to be there."

Heathcote said the Spartans' next goal is a post-season tournament bid. Last year Michigan State earned its first NCAA berth since Magic Johnson led the Spartans to the national championship in 1979.

There was no change in this week's top five with North Carolina, 25-1, Duke, 25-2, Kansas, 24-3, Memphis State, 23-2, and Georgia Tech, 19-4, holding the same spots as a week ago.

The Tar Heels were a unanimous No. 1 pick for the second straight week and for the fourth time this season.

St. Johns, 24-3, is just ahead of Michigan, 22-3. The ranking for the Redmen, who beat then-No. 9 Georgetown on the road and won their 21st straight home game over Connecticut, is their highest of the season. They are the only team not ranked in the preseason poll to crack the Top Ten this season.

The top twenty

By Associated Press
The Top Twenty teams in the Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, total points based on 25-10-15-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1, record through Feb. 16 and last week's ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. North Carolina (22)	25-1	1240	1
2. Duke	25-2	1171	2
3. Kansas	24-3	1067	3
4. Memphis State	23-2	1017	4
5. Georgia Tech	19-4	990	5
6. St. Johns	24-3	925	7
7. Michigan	22-3	947	10
8. Kentucky	22-3	784	11
9. Syracuse	20-3	676	12
10. Oklahoma	23-3	668	8
11. New-Las Vegas	24-3	637	6
12. Bradley	26-1	583	13
13. Georgetown	19-5	478	9
14. Notre Dame	17-5	436	14
15. Indiana	17-5	421	16
16. Louisville	18-7	327	19
17. Navy	20-4	100	—
18. Virginia Tech	15-6	99	20
19. Michigan State	17-4	94	—
20. N. Carolina State	17-6	85	17

Others receiving votes: Texas-El Paso 80, Illinois 64, Alabama 65, St. Joseph's 55, Purdue 21, Old Dominion 17, Pepperdine 17, Texas Christian 16, Western Kentucky 16, Iowa State 15, Miami, Ohio 13, Virginia 11, Arizona 9, Temple 9, Louisiana State 7, Villanova 7, Cleveland State 6, Richmond 5, Xavier, Ohio 5, Auburn 3, Brigham Young 1.

Blackman takes control for Mavs

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — With the Dallas Mavericks trailing by nine at the half and their leading scorer sidelined with an injury, Rolando Black-

man figured it was time he took control of the game.

In the second half, Blackman scored 25 points while sparking the Mavericks to a 126-124 NBA victory over the New Jersey Nets.

The 6-foot-6 guard, whose 42 points were the most ever at the Brendan Byrne Arena, filled a big gap caused by the absence of forward Mark Aguirre, who left the game early in the second quarter because of a stretched ligament in the middle finger of his right hand.

"I knew Mark wasn't going to be there, and I just felt it was time for me to take things into my own hands," said Blackman, who tallied 17 points in the third period as Dallas outscored New Jersey 40-27, transforming a 66-57 halftime deficit into a 97-93 advantage.

"I just tried to take advantage of the opportunities I got," said the fourth-year player out of Kansas State, who hit 10 of 13 field goal attempts and 22 of 23 free throws to break the arena scoring record of 40 points set by the New York Knicks' Bernard King on April 20, 1983.

"I was just fortunate to have a lot of chances to take the ball to the hoop," he said.

Dallas Coach Dick Motta, who saw his team win for the fifth time in the last six games, wasn't surprised by Blackman's performance.

"Rolando was doing it," said Motta. "He's the kind of player that when he gets going, there's no stopping him. He didn't force any shots and was a cool customer at the foul line."

Blackman wasn't the only Maverick to have a big game, as Dallas improved its record to 29-23. Jay Vincent, subbing for Aguirre, scored 25 points, including 17 in the decisive second half. "Jay did a great job of filling in for us," said Motta. "We have a very unselfish group here, and the key to victory was a total team effort."

The Nets, who outshot Dallas 50-37 from the field, had four players foul out of the game and couldn't overcome the Mavericks' 51 of 58 at the foul line.

"It seems like we had a big mountain to climb," said Nets

Coach Dave Wohl, whose club lost its third in a row and fell to 29-26. "We played aggressive defense and gave a good effort. Blackman had an exceptional game."

"Nobody could have stopped him. I feel he's one of the most underrated players," said Wohl. The Nets tied the score at 119 on a jump shot by Micheal Ray Richardson with 1:33 to play.

But Vincent made a three-point play, giving Dallas a 122-119 edge.

Albert King, who scored a season-high 29 points for the Nets, hit a pair of free throws. But Blackman and Derek Harper each hit a pair of foul shots to wrap up the victory.

The Nets played without injury-stricken Otis Birdsong and Darryl Dawkins. They also lost four players — Buck Williams, Jeff Turner, Mike O'Koren and Richardson — to fouls, as 37 penalties were called on the Nets.

Harper and Sam Perkins each hit 18 points for the Mavericks, while Mike Gminski had a season-high 28 for the Nets, who have lost five of their last six.

Sampson gets touch in time

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Akeem Olajuwon was missing when the Houston Rockets took the floor Monday night. So was Ralph Sampson's shooting touch.

But Sampson, starting at center for the first time in two years, finished with 25 points and the short-handed Rockets broke a two-game losing streak by beating the Golden State Warriors 116-110.

"My shots didn't fall for a while, so I had to go inside and muscle up some," the 7-foot-4 Sampson said.

Despite Sampson's 1-for-9 shooting in the first period, Houston was close, trailing only 31-28 thanks to 14 points from guard Lewis Lloyd. Sampson made his first five shots, including some slam dunks, in a 15-point second quarter performance but the Rockets were still down at halftime, 65-61.

"It was a game of spurts, both on offense and defense, and we got a lot of help off the bench tonight," Coach Bill Fitch said. "You play scared without Akeem."

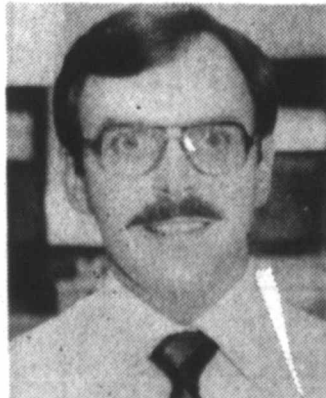
Jim Petersen, the 6-foot-10 forward in his second NBA season, was in the lineup for his first pro start, filling the vacancy created by Olajuwon's knee injury. He played a career-high 34 minutes, scored 12 points and grabbed 14 rebounds, equaling Sampson's rebound total.

Purvis Short of the Warriors scored 25 points, teammate Sleepy Floyd added 22, and Larry Smith had a game-high 16 rebounds.

The top scorer off Houston's bench was Allen Leavell, the guard who hit 16 points in 21 minutes of playing time.

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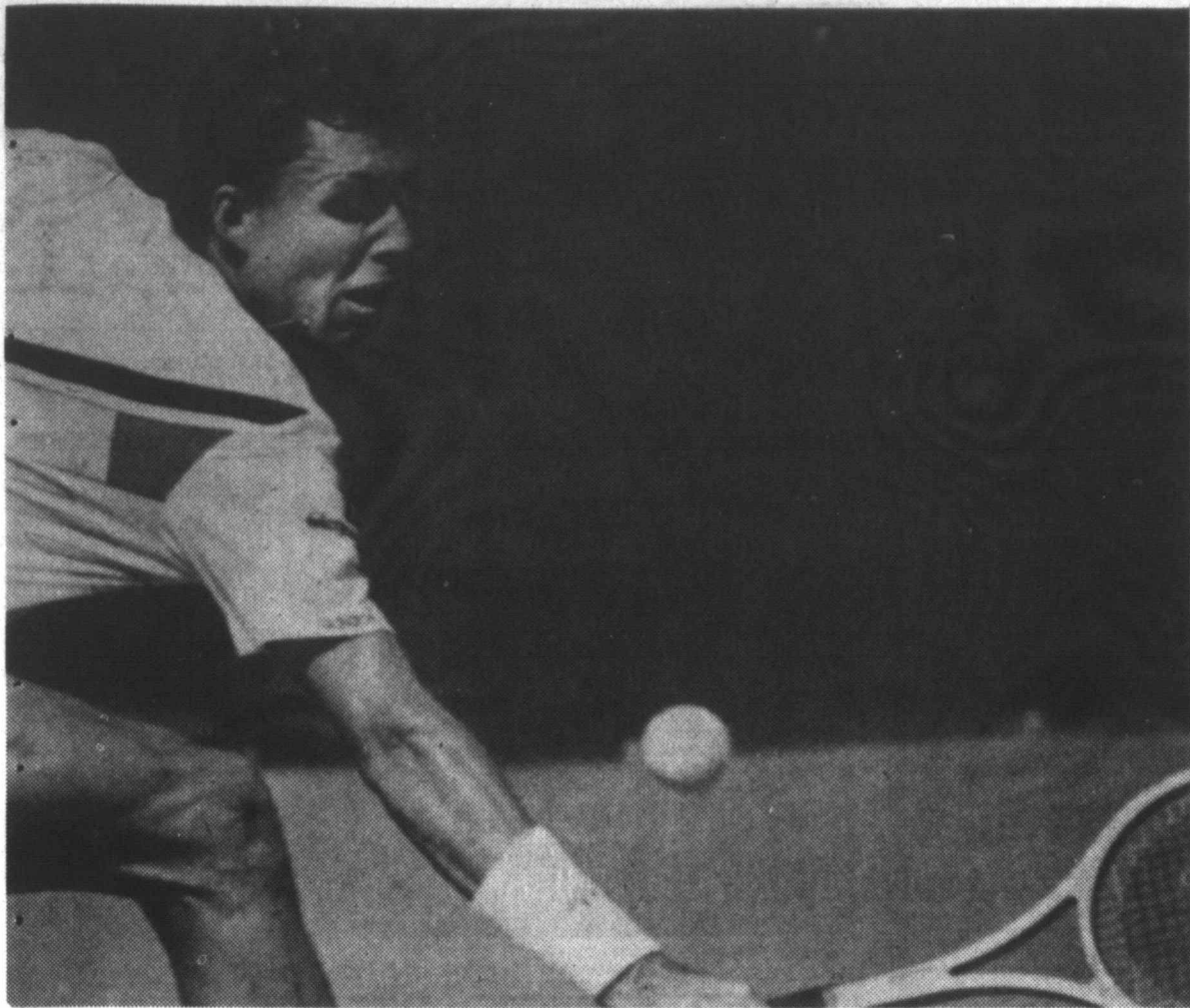
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Lendl stretches in Lipton tournament

Connors not showing his age in competition

BOCA RATON, Fla. (AP) — At age 33, Jimmy Connors is considered by some to be over the hill. Thierry Tulasne doesn't agree with that.

"What do you mean, old?" Tulasne said after Connors, playing his third straight three-set match, beat the Frenchman 6-1, 5-7, 7-6 (7-3) Monday afternoon in the fourth round of the \$1.8 million Lipton International Players Championships tennis tournament.

"He's played four matches this week and he was still very fast," Tulasne said.

"He's very confident and he has a lot of experience. You could see his experience in the key points. He played the key points better than me," said the 22-year-old Frenchman.

Joining the third-seeded Connors in the men's quarterfinals with victories Monday were top-seeded Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia; fifth-seeded Stefan Edberg and 10th-seeded Joakim

Nystrom, both of Sweden; and sixth-seeded Yannick Noah and unseeded Guy Forget, both of France.

A third Swede, second-seeded Mats Wilander, and unseeded Milan Srejber of Czechoslovakia won their fourth-round matches Sunday.

The final women's quarterfinal spot was filled Monday when Terry Phelps beat Dianne Fromholtz Balestrat 7-6 (7-1), 6-2 in a battle of non-seeded players.

The women's competition will be narrowed down to four players after today. In the quarterfinals, seventh-seeded Helena Sukova of Czechoslovakia was matched against 14th-seeded Barbara Potter, second-seeded Steffi Graf of West Germany against sixth-seeded Zina Garrison, and ninth-seeded Kathy Rinaldi against 12th-seeded Carling Bassett of Canada.

The featured night match pits top-seeded Chris Evert Lloyd against unseeded Terry Phelps.

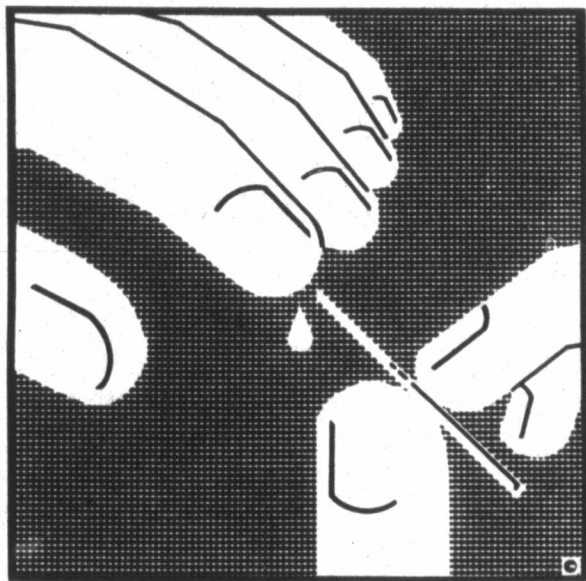
Connors was a late entry in this two-week, Grand Slam-like tournament, saying he decided to come to Boca West to try to kick the rust off his game. He said he's happy the way his body has responded to the consecutive three-set challenges.

"This is the best thing I can do to get into shape," he said. "Now, if I can get my tennis game up," Connors was frustrated with the mental part of his game, allowing Tulasne to get back into the match after losing 11 of the first 14 games.

Tulasne won five straight games to overcome a 2-5 second-set deficit and force a final set. He played Connors even until, down 4-3 in the final-set tie-breaker, he lost his composure over some noise in the stands and lost the final three points.

Lendl also had an opponent down only to let up at the end. The top-ranked Czech lost six match points before finally finishing off Jimmy Arias 6-1, 7-5.

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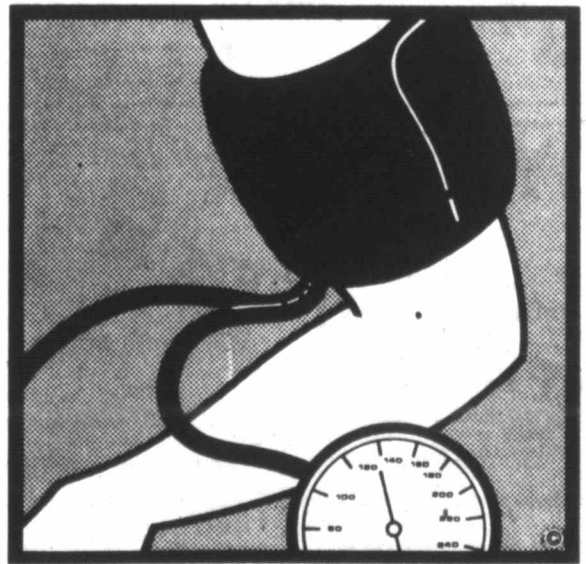
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Middies' course: Full speed ahead

By The Associated Press
Navy's course is still set on full speed ahead.

The Midshipmen, who hadn't been in The Associated Press Top Twenty since a preseason tie for 19th, celebrated its new No. 17 ranking Monday night with a 66-51 Colonial Athletic Association victory over William & Mary.

Navy is 22-4 thanks to an eight-game winning streak and 15 of 16 and William & Mary Coach Barry Parkhill said he "thought all along that they were a Top Twenty team." Helping to convince him even more was 6-foot-11 David Robinson, who scored 19 points, grabbed 14 rebounds and blocked eight shots.

In other games involving ranked teams, No. 9 Syracuse held off Pittsburgh 69-62; 11th-ranked

Nevada-Las Vegas defeated Fullerton State 92-83; and No. 16 Louisville downed Southern Mississippi 83-74.

Navy's Robinson, who entered the game rated first in the nation with an average of 6.1 blocks per game, scored five of his points during a 17-0 first-half run that turned a 14-12 squeaker into a 31-12 laughter. Joining Robinson in double figures was guard Kaylor Whitaker, who scored 10 of his 16 points in the second half.

Top Ten

No. 9 Syracuse 69, Pitt 62

Dwayne "Pearl" Washington scored 23 points, including six key points down the stretch as Syracuse, 23-1 over-all and 12-1 in the Big East, pulled away in the final 1:34. Trailing 55-54, Syracuse

scored six straight points for a 60-55 lead with 5:35 remaining. Pitt again pulled within one point at 62-61 but Washington dribbled into the lane for an eight-footer with 1:34 to go and added two free throws at the 52-second mark to make it 66-61.

"When he wants to score, he can score," Coach Jim Boeheim said of Washington, who has averaged 28 points over his last five games.

Second Ten

No. 11 UNLV 92, Fullerton State 83

Freddie Banks scored 27 points — he was 5-for-5 from three-point range — and Anthony Jones added 26 as the Rebels clinched a tie for the Pacific Coast Athletic Association title with a 13-1

league record, 25-3 over-all.

The Rebels held Fullerton without a field goal for nine minutes as they pulled away from a 49-44 lead early in the second half and rolled to a 77-51 advantage.

After Jones' three-point jump shot made it 84-56 with 6:49 left, Coach Jerry Tarkanian cleared his bench and Fullerton responded with a 20-2 spree, forcing Tarkanian to bring his starters back with three minutes left and the lead down to 86-78.

No. 16 Louisville 83, S. Mississippi 74

Billy Thompson scored 19 points, including eight in the decisive final minutes, as Louisville boosted its record to 19-7, including a 7-2 mark in the Metro Conference.

Washington sub wins permanent job

By WILLIAM R. BARNARD
AP Basketball Writer Kevin McKenna, less than three weeks removed from a \$500 a week salary in the Continental Basketball Association, played the best game of his NBA career under a heavy burden of pressure.

Unaware that it had already been decided that his second 10-day contract with the Washington Bullets would be extended to the end of the season, McKenna thought he was fighting for a job. He scored a career-high 25 points, 15 on three-point shots, as the Bullets defeated the Los Angeles Clippers 96-94 Monday night.

McKenna, who had scored a total of 11 points in his first seven appearances with the Bullets, said he thought last Saturday's game with Seattle and the meeting with the Clippers would decide his immediate future.

"I knew they were two critical games if I was going to stay," said McKenna, with his fourth NBA team in four years. "I just tried to go out and play hard and not worry about that (the contract expiration)."

McKenna said Bullets Coach Gene Shue told him after Monday's game that the decision to keep him was made Sunday.

In other NBA action, it was Dallas 126, New Jersey 124; Cleveland 111, New York 97; Indiana 124, Chicago 110; Seattle 100, Atlanta 87; Detroit 117, Utah 96; Milwaukee 111, Philadelphia 106; Phoenix 108, Boston 101; and Houston 116, Golden State 110.

NBA roundup

McKenna was 5-for-9 from inside the three-point line en route to surpassing his previous NBA career high by four points.

Suns 108, Celtics 101

Phoenix handed Boston only its 10th loss in 51 games after Larry Bird and Coach K.C. Jones both were ejected for committing two technical fouls in the fourth quarter.

"Those technicals totally turned the game around," Jones said. "We were getting ready to make our move. But Larry got clobbered at one end of the floor and there was no call, so I said something to the officials and Larry did, too. There was no cursing involved."

Walter Davis scored 20 points for the Suns, who snapped an 0-8 streak against Boston dating back to 1982. Bird and Dennis Johnson had 20 for the Celtics.

Bucks 111, 76ers 106
Sidney Moncrief scored 28

points and Terry Cummings 24 as Milwaukee improved its Central Division lead to six games with a victory at Philadelphia.

Pistons 117, Jazz 96

Detroit won its ninth straight game at home as Isiah Thomas scored 31 points and Kelly Tripucka 30 against Utah.

The Jazz, with Adrian Dantley scoring 21 points, outshot the Pistons 50 percent to 45 percent, but Detroit won easily by committing only seven turnovers while stealing the ball 18 times.

Sonics 100, Hawks 87

Gerald Henderson had 23 points and 10 assists and Jack Sikma 20 points and 12 rebounds in Seattle victory over Atlanta, a game marred by a fight between Sonics rookie Xavier McDaniel and Kevin Willis.

Both players were ejected for exchanging blows late in the first half.

The Hawks scored just three points in the final 4:10.

Cavaliers 111, Knicks 97

Cleveland's 23-8 run at the start

of the fourth quarter expanded a six-point lead to 107-86, giving New York its sixth consecutive loss.

Eddie Johnson sparked the Cavaliers' spurt with two of his four three-point goals. Roy Hinson led Cleveland with 24 points and World B. Free added 23.

Louis Orr had 19 for the Knicks, who played their fourth consecutive game without rookie center Patrick Ewing.

Pacers 124, Bulls 110

Indiana beat Chicago for the third straight time behind 22 points each from Herb Williams and Ron Anderson and a record-equaling 17 assists by Vern Fleming.

The Bulls, who were led by George Gervin's 23 points, cut an 86-71 deficit to three early in the fourth period, but Anderson kept the Pacers in front with 10 points in the final quarter.

Fleming also had 16 points to go with his 17 assists that tied a team record established by Don Buse in 1977.

Rockets to lose Olajuwon for minimum of two weeks

HOUSTON (AP) — All-Star center Akeem Olajuwon will miss at least two weeks of the season with a knee injury — just as the Houston Rockets were beginning to

establish themselves as a power in the National Basketball Association.

Team physician Dr. Charles Baker said Olajuwon received a sprain of the medial collateral ligament Saturday in a game against the Los Angeles Clippers when teammate Robert Reid fell on him under the basket.

Olajuwon started receiving therapy on the knee Monday, Baker said.

Monday night's game against the Golden State Warriors marked the first time in Olajuwon's pro career and only the second time in his entire career that he had missed a game because of an injury.

Olajuwon, who averages 23.4 points and 11.4 rebounds per game, missed four of the first six games of his college career at the University of Houston and had played in 237 consecutive games.

Rockets General Manager Ray Patterson moved quickly to sign former Rockets player Hank McDowell to fill Olajuwon's roster position.

McDowell, who has been playing basketball in Europe, averaged 1.4 points and had nine rebounds in 34 appearances for the Rockets last season.

Doctors who examined Olajuwon Saturday feared the 6-foot-11 player had torn a ligament.

SWC names top players

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Christian University's Carven Holcombe and Arkansas' Lanell Dawson were named Southwest Conference basketball players of the week Monday in a vote of the nine SWC schools.

Holcombe, a 6-5 junior from Houston, was named after scoring 35 points, grabbing 11 rebounds and dishing out nine assists in two games as the Horned Frogs defeated Texas A&M and SMU to remain tied with Texas for the Conference lead.

Dawson, a 5-10 freshman from

Damascus, Arkansas scored 34 points, hit 14 of 15 from the line, and had 15 rebounds, 10 assists and five steals as the Lady Razorbacks defeated Houston and lost to Texas Tech.

Finishing a close second in the men's balloting was Arkansas' Andrew Lang with 20 points, 20 rebounds, seven blocks and two steals in two games. Felicia Bluit of SMU finished second in the women's balloting with 37 points, 29 rebounds, nine assists and five steals including 29 points and 21 rebounds against TCU last Saturday.

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Texas briefs

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston-area couple convicted in connection with their 2-month-old daughter's death have been handed the maximum sentences.

A state district court jury Monday sentenced Susan Butler, 23, to one year in prison and ordered her to pay a \$2,000 fine. She was found guilty Saturday of criminal negligence.

Her husband, Harry Simmons, 30, was convicted of recklessly causing the child's injury. He was given a 10-year prison term and fined \$5,000.

Melissa Gail Simmons died July 5, one day after her mother found her lying unconscious in her bed. Testimony showed the baby died of dehydration, and one doctor said the baby's diaper had not been changed for several days although she suffered from diarrhea.

Prosecutors had asked jurors to convict the couple on charges of injury to a child, a first-degree felony carrying a maximum punishment of 99 years in prison and a fine of up to \$10,000.

Assistant Harris County District Attorney Rusty Hardin said he was stunned by the jury's decision Saturday to convict the couple on lesser offenses.

"In 10½ years as a prosecutor, it's the most disappointing verdict I've ever been a part of," Hardin said.

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — The partially nude body of a woman found in a remote logging area has been identified as a store clerk missing from a Bryan store more than a week, officials said.

Two fishermen on Sunday found the body of Ruth Richardson Green, 51, of Somerville, in a popular hunting and camping area of the Sam Houston National Forest about 10 miles south of Huntsville, said Lt. Gene Knowles of the Bryan Police Department.

The woman had been dead less than 24 hours and had been beaten, stabbed and shot, said Walker County Sheriff's Lt. Joe Nesmith. There were slashes on the woman's palms, indicating she had put her hands up to keep herself from being cut, he said.

An autopsy was scheduled in Houston to determine the cause of death and whether the

woman was raped, Nesmith said.

Ms. Green was reported missing Feb. 8 from a bread store in North Bryan, Knowles said. Nothing was taken from the store and Ms. Green's car with the keys in the ignition was left behind.

Because the woman was abducted last week, Nesmith theorized she must have been held hostage for a week or had been with someone she trusted.

AUSTIN (AP) — University of Texas fraternities should learn a lesson from a frat that was barred from campus because of hazing, says the director of the Interfraternity Council.

"What ATO did is (it) sort of tested the waters and found out that the university and (President William) Cunningham were very serious," said Eric Webber.

UT last Friday announced that Alpha Tau Omega is banned from campus activities until 1989 and four ATO members are suspended from UT until 1988.

Two weeks ago, 55 student organizations — including ATO — signed an anti-hazing pledge and sent it to Cunningham.

ATO and the four members were punished for "Hell Week" hazing that sent nine students to the hospital. Several suffered serious infections as a result of being pelted with raw eggs.

Bill Cox, Delta Tau Delta president, said the ATO suspension would force other fraternities to "take a look at their pledge education program."

David Modisett, Delta Kappa Epsilon president, said he does not think "any great things will change, but maybe some things will."

Bobby Epstein, Sigma Alpha Mu president, said hazing might continue, but in a more secretive manner.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Former Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter will participate in a Texas A&M University panel discussion on the United States' role in international conflicts, school officials said.

The former presidents will join historian Dr. Stephen Ambrose in the April program, entitled "Interventionism: The U.S. Role in International Conflicts."

Names in News

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Singer Willie Nelson considered Yankee Stadium and the Washington Monument for his next FarmAid benefit, but hopes to schedule the concert for his annual Fourth of July picnic here, if officials agree.

Nelson, one of the organizers of the FarmAid concert in Champaign, Ill., that drew up to \$10 million in pledges for distressed farmers last September, said the Yankee Stadium idea was thwarted by the baseball season.

He also considered the Washington Monument, "but then I remembered this is Sesquicentennial year in Texas, and I felt it would be a shame to take the picnic out of Texas this year," he said Sunday.

The singer said he would like to hold the benefit at Memorial Stadium on the University of Texas campus, but has not contacted university officials with his proposal.

LONDON (AP) — Princess Anne is planning to ride as an amateur jockey in several horse races this season, Buckingham Palace has announced.

The brief statement Monday was seen as an attempt by the palace to dampen press speculation that the queen's 35-year-old daughter is expecting another child.

Princess Anne, who represented Britain in the 1976 Montreal Olym-

pics, rode in four amateur flat events at the end of last year's season.

Asked to comment on a newspaper report Sunday, the palace said it had "absolutely no comment until such time as any member of the royal family wishes to make an announcement."

Anne and her husband Mark Phillips have a son and a daughter, Peter, 8, and Zara, 4.

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Folk artist writes songs that make kids sing

By ELISE GIBSON
Austin American Statesman

PFLUGERVILLE, Texas (AP) — Casey Scruggs, age 1½, knows the magic of words to request her favorite song from her folk-singing father, Joe.

"Goo goo, ga ga," she insists, clinging to his knee as he reaches for his acoustic guitar.

Some parents may object to

baby talk from their children, but in this case "Goo Goo Ga Ga" is the title of a catchy little song from Joe Scruggs' second album, "Traffic Jams."

Austin parents and their children have enjoyed Scruggs' children's music since his first album, "Late Last Night," was released in Austin stores two years ago. But this spring, the rest of the country will have a

chance to wiggle their toes to Scruggs' bouncy melodies as both "Traffic Jams" and "Late Last Night" have been picked up for national distribution.

For Scruggs, 34, who lives in Pflugerville with Casey and his wife, Linda, the national deals meant that he could quit his job as a computer technician and devote himself full time to the business of writing and singing songs, that keep the little ones bouncing and their parents humming alone.

That parents enjoy the same songs that children love is quite an accomplishment in these days of sugary Rainbow Brite albums. Scruggs' songs have a folk-country sound that is jazzed up by lively background singers. He credits producer Gary Powell with developing sophisticated and interesting arrangements.

"A lot of what you hear on the albums is his inspiration," Scruggs said. "I tend to sing everything in the same bubble-gum time."

But that bubble-gum time, as he calls it, combined with his sweet and comforting folk voice, serves his songs well. He sings of snowmen in the freezer, of a child's nighttime imaginings, of candy falling from the sky, and of a child's plea for his parents to buckle their seat belts.

Scruggs' musical background hails back to his college days at the University of Texas at El Paso and Texas Tech, where, he said, "I educated myself into oblivion," and played a lot of folk music with friends.

Although daughter Casey is an enthusiastic fan, she's really too young to provide the inspiration for most of his songs, which tend

to aim at slightly older children. So Scruggs depends on his wife, a 14-year veteran of kindergarten classrooms, for many of his ideas.

In fact, it was through Linda's need for little songs to sing at school that Joe began writing children's songs. One of the first songs was to help calm down the kids before a movie. The words ("Please look at the screen, and put your hands in lap...") are set to a melody that is easy for 5-year-olds to sing.

"Kids do so much better when they're singing. It makes for an orderly transition," he said.

That song led to "Songs to Brighten Your Day," a 1984 collection of transition songs, movement songs and circle songs that Scruggs wrote with Dee Gibson, another kindergarten teacher. At about the same time he was

putting together the book, Scruggs was in the studio recording his first album, "Late Last Night."

Both efforts were accomplished with entirely local talent, and so rather than turn over the finished products to a publishing company elsewhere, Scruggs and a few others organized Educational Graphics Press.

The song collection and his two albums are distributed by Educational Graphics to record stores and children's bookstores in Austin.

The records have been extremely popular with parents, teachers, day care centers and even children's dance classes.

"It's really a thrill to see the kids jumping up and down to the songs," he said. In Austin alone, 5,000 copies of the two records have sold.

Black realizes her dream in becoming bank president

DALLAS (AP) — Arlander Jones vowed while growing up in Mississippi, where her father was a farmer, that she would become a bank president when she grew up.

That pledge has been realized. Ms. Jones, a former examiner for the Comptroller of the Currency, now has her own bank to run. Last month she was elected president of Sunbelt National Bank, an institution that has been fraught with problems since its incorporation in 1983.

Ms. Jones, 34, who is black, remembers her childhood visit to a bank in Holly Springs, Miss., where her parents were rudely received and had to pledge the entire farm for a single season's loan.

As a 10th-grader, she recalls her hurt pride and her announcement to her mother that "I'm going to be a bank president when I grow up."

After that day, she says, "there was nothing else I ever wanted to be."

But she has her hands full with Sunbelt National.

Eighteen months after its opening, federal bank examiners found \$400,000 in bad loans, a significant amount for a young bank with just \$1.7 million in capital and \$12.5 million in assets.

Last August when the regulators demanded the bank add \$1.4 million to its loan loss reserves and hire a new president, several officers resigned.

Ms. Jones, whose job with the comptroller's office had brought her to Dallas, had quit to open a singles club in 1984.

One day she met with some former co-workers from the comptroller's office who told her about Sunbelt's problems. Ms. Jones decided to apply for the job.

Last September, she was named interim president and last month was officially elected to the post.

"I get nothing but good vibrations from her," said Albert Record, one of the bank's directors. "She is very conscientious and she appears to be very knowledgeable about regulatory matters. That's why we supported her for president."

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