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Legislature passes school finance reform bill

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) – With days to spare before the state's next court appearance on school finance, the Legislature approved a billion-dollar bill to reform the way public schools are funded.

"I think some greed, some fear and some desire to do right combined and got a majority vote in both houses," said Sen. Carl Parker, Senate Education Committee chairman.

The House approved the plan 92-57 Thursday, and the Senate followed, 21-10.

Gov. Ann Richards said she would sign the bill into law.

The plan would cost the state $1.3 billion over two years and shift hundreds of millions of dollars in local property tax money from wealthier to poorer school districts.

The Texas Supreme Court twice has unanimously ordered lawmakers to reform the school finance system, which now allows wide disparities in funding among school districts because of its reliance on the local property tax. The system also is funded by state aid and some federal money.

The state faces a Monday hearing before State District Judge F. Scott McCown, who oversees the case and ordered an alternative plan to be drawn up by a court-appointed expert.

Parker, D-Port Arthur, said he did not know whether the bill would be ruled constitutional, in part because it still allows some funding disparities.

But he said, "We've passed something that at least gives us a shot to not have the courts take over public education."

The bill does contain a revenue cap to limit disparities when school districts containing 2 percent of the state's students begin outstripping others in raising money.

Parker said he believes if lawmakers had not passed a bill, the court would have ordered massive consolidation of school districts.

Richards and House Speaker Gib Lewis said they thought the legislation would pass court muster.

"I think it's a solution to have quality education throughout the state of Texas," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth.

(AP Laserphoto)

House Speaker Gib Lewis, right, visits with Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock during the Senate proceedings Thursday on the school finance bill.

Richards said, "This Legislature tried very hard, did a good job (and) produced a bill that I'll sign."

Lawmakers missed an April 1 Supreme Court deadline for reform after the House two weeks ago defeated another school finance reform bill. This plan also came in for its share of criticism.

"The property tax is the most regressive tax that we have, and you're going to impose some real horrendous property tax increases," said Rep. Dan Kubiak, D-Rockdale.

Rep. Fred Hill, R-Richardson, called the measure "a bad piece of legislation."

But Rep. Ernestine Glossbrenner, an Alice Democrat who heads the House Public Education Committee, said, "We still have a ways to go, but if we pass this bill, we will have at least begun the journey toward quality education in Texas."

The bill would set a minimum local property tax rate of 72 cents per $100 valuation, rising to $1 in four years. School districts would get a basic allotment of $2,200 per pupil, rising to $2,800.

The plan would redistribute local property tax revenue generated at the minimum rate in new education districts drawn largely along county lines.

The districts could tax another 45 cents to enrich programs and for construction, with each school district guaranteed $21.50 per penny, rising to $28 in four years.

School districts would not share local property tax revenue over the minimum rate. The state would make up the difference if poor school districts could not raise the guaranteed level through local taxes. Another 5 cents of local tax would be permitted on top of the $1.45, but no state money would be available at this level.

The bill also would extend the number of instructional days from 175 days to 180 days, by eliminating five teacher training days.

Lawmakers raised some concern that this might cause more work for teachers, because 40 hours of staff development still are required, during regular hours.

Groom superintendent, principal enjoy small school advantages

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

GROOM – While the state Legislature was passing a school finance bill Thursday afternoon that could well mean consolidation for many small, rural districts, administrators in one such school system were discussing the advantages such schools have to offer.

"People live here because they want to live here," said Groom Principal Judy Babcock. "I know the Texas Education Agency doesn't care about us. We're losing population right now and don't have any real incentives for people to move here."

"But," she added, "people who live here like it. They wouldn't want to live anywhere else."

Unlike larger schools, at the Groom Independent School District, with its 225 students, administrators Babcock and Superintendent Kenneth Sweatt must wear a variety of hats.

Sweatt begins his day not by crunching numbers and drinking coffee with the bigwigs, but by driving a school bus.

When duty calls, he can also be found doing maintenance around the school or running a stop watch at a track meet.

While he admits that superintendents on the fast-track prestige may thumb their noses at this down-home style, Sweatt finds it part of the appeal of a small school.

"We had a lot of their parents in school," Sweatt said of his students. "We know their parents personally. The community knows we are dedicated to our kids and the community is proud of us. People here are pretty down to earth."

(Staff photo by Bear Mills)

Judy Babcock, Groom school principal, talks on the telephone in her office.

While many schools around the state are working on interface systems for their advanced computers, in Groom Sweatt says the emphasis is not technology, but good teachers, well-rounded, college-bound students and saving money wherever possible.

Therefore, the school district has chosen not to buy a fax machine.

Instead, Sweatt travels a few blocks to the grain elevator when necessary to borrow its fax.

And though she is the school principal, Babcock leaves this weekend to escort three students to San Antonio for a Future Homemakers of America state convention.

"In bigger schools it's pretty unusual for kids to know their superintendent and for him to know them," she said. "But they all know Mr. Sweatt and he even drives a bus each morning."

"I teach one class," Babcock added. "I also take care of all the counseling, aside from personal counseling. I do testing and college and career counseling."

Babcock is no stranger to the specialization that comes with working in a large school district. She has taught in three of them, including the Amarillo ISD.

But she says she would wouldn't trade a big school system for the educational atmosphere in tiny Groom.

"I graduated from this school in 1964 and married someone from Groom," she said. "We wanted to live here. This is now my 17th year to be here."

Thursday afternoon, Groom officials were in a wait-and-see mode regarding what the new finance bill will do to their school district and, indeed, their way of life.

(Staff photo by Bear Mills)

Ken Sweatt, Groom school superintendent, wears casual clothes while helping with a track meet.

If, as some are predicting, rural schools around the state are forced to consolidate, many in Groom believe something special will vanish from the American scene – the deep sense of community and camaraderie that comes from schools where everybody knows everybody.

"Almost everybody here plays sports," Sweatt said. "We have so many young people who have done well in UIL (academics). Everybody participates in UIL. You don't have that in larger schools."

"We're proud of what we have here," Babcock said, "and we want to hold on to it."

She said the state Legislature and courts are making that harder all the time.

Faulkner pleads not guilty to all fraud charges

By J. ALAN BRZYS
Staff Writer

AMARILLO - A former president of First State Bank of Miami, charged with 22 counts of bank fraud, conspiracy, embezzlement and other offenses, today pleaded not guilty to all charges in U.S. District Court.

Max Ray Faulkner, 58, of Miami, pleaded not guilty to all charges and was released on $25,000 unsecured bond, according to Assistant U.S. Attorney Sharon R. Kimball of Amarillo.

Kimball, who is prosecuting the case, said in a telephone interview today Faulkner's trial is set for June 17 in U.S. District Court in Amarillo. Judge Mary Lou Robinson is expected to preside.

A U.S. grand jury indictment returned April 3 charged Faulkner with two counts of conspiracy, one count of bank fraud, nine counts of embezzlement and misapplication of bank funds, and 10 counts of making false entries in bank records.

If convicted of all offenses charged, Faulkner could be sentenced to 110 years in prison and fines totaling $5.5 million.

The indictment was the culmination of an FBI investigation begun in 1989 of illegal "straw man" loans at First State Bank of Miami allegedly involving more than $2 million in bank funds.

Faulkner is the third man to be indicted since April 1990 in the Miami bank scandal.

The indictment against Faulkner charges that between 1983 and 1986, while he was a director and the president of First State Bank of Miami, Faulkner conspired with bank director E. Hobart "Hobie" Fatheree to defraud the bank by making a series of straw man loans to persons and entities affiliated with Fatheree.

Federal documents allege that Faulkner falsely represented to the bank's board of directors and loan committee that the loans were intended for the benefit of the named borrowers, when Faulkner knew that the borrowers were mere straw men, or fronts, for Fatheree.

Fatheree had reached his loan limit at the bank and could not borrow any more money, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office, and Faulkner allegedly caused the loan proceeds to be deposited in Fatheree's accounts for Fatheree's use.

Officials report the total amount of straw man loans made between 1983 and 1986 exceeded $2 million.

Faulkner is also charged with conspiring with another bank officer to embezzle and misapply more than $40,000 of credit life insurance commissions that belonged to the bank.

It is alleged Faulkner falsely represented to the directors and shareholders of the bank and to bank examiners that the commissions were being paid to the bank, when, according to the indictment, Faulkner was depositing the commissions into his personal account.

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Syria still wants U.N. to play role in Mideast peace talks

By BARRY SCHWEID
AP Diplomatic Writer

GENEVA (AP) – Secretary of State James A. Baker III sought today to cut through a dispute over the format of Middle East peace talks, saying "We cannot and should not let form dominate substance."

"Nobody from the outside can impose peace on the Middle East," Baker said as he wrapped up a week-long trip to the region to sound out Arabs and Israelis on a peace conference.

"What you call a conference, I mean the adjective in front of the word conference, it seems to me is not nearly as important as whether the parties want to sit down and have direct negotiations for peace," Baker said.

He was meeting with Jordanian officials and humanitarian aid groups here before returning to Washington to brief President Bush.

In Damascus earlier today, Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa said Syria still wants the United Nations to play "a significant role" in Middle East peace talks but stopped short of rejecting an Israeli plan that would bypass the world body.

He said his government and the United States were determined to pursue a "just and comprehensive settlement to the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Palestinian problem."

Sharaa spoke at a joint news conference with Baker following six hours of talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

"We agree that there's a window of opportunity here to move the peace process forward and that we should try not to miss that window of opportunity," Baker said.

Winding up a four-nation swing through the Mideast, Baker flew to Geneva after the news conference, feeling he had made "some progress" toward opening talks aimed at bringing peace to the region.

"The Syrians indicated to us that there are many elements in the proposals which we discussed which they found positive," Baker said before departing. "There are other (points), however, where the two of us are not in agreement." He did not elaborate.

It was Baker's second trip to the Mideast within a month, and he apparently made enough headway to begin planning for a return trip to deal with the unsettled issues.

"We're not going to solve it with one trip, or even two trips, overnight," Baker said. "We're just not going to."

Baker arrived Thursday carrying an Israeli proposal for a U.S.-sponsored regional peace conference with Soviet participation. Syria had insisted in the past that such a conference convene under U.N. auspices.

Sharaa said Baker's talks with Assad, held in two sessions interrupted by a banquet, were "satisfactory as far as we are concerned."

"We have found Secretary Baker and the American administration very determined" to reach a Middle East peace settlement, Sharaa said. "That's what is important."

"It was agreed that all parties concerned should seek a comprehensive and just peace in the region based on United Nations resolutions 242 and 338 and that a peace conference should be held in order to implement these resolutions," Sharaa said.

The resolutions call for Israel to withdraw from territories it captured in 1967 in return for peace with its neighbors. Arabs say the resolutions refer to all captured territories. Israeli leaders insist they do not, and they oppose territorial concessions.

Sharaa said Syria wants a "peace conference where the United Nations would have a significant role to play." Asked to elaborate, he merely repeated that it should be "a significant role."

That hinted the Syrians might be willing to drop their demand that the United Nations sponsor the talks if the U.N. Security Council members are party to it.

Asked about what form a conference or talks might take, Baker said "substance is important, not form."

"Names are not as important as whether there's truly a desire on the part of the parties to this conflict to seek true reconciliation," Baker said.

Prior to his meeting with Assad, Baker said he felt he had "made some progress" toward getting Arabs, Israelis and Palestinians to the bargaining table for regional peace talks.

"But there's still a lot that has to be done," he added. "It's a long road we have to travel and we hope people wouldn't, therefore, rush to judgment. You know, it's not just black or white."

As Baker arrived here, Syrian government radio, which usually reflects Assad's views, stressed that Israel must adhere to U.N. resolutions calling for withdrawal from occupied lands.

Otherwise, the radio said, "an effort to find peace in the Middle East is stillborn."

One thing Assad wants is to recover the Golan Heights lost to Israel in the 1967 war. Israel also holds the West Bank captured from Jordan and the Gaza Strip taken from Egypt. It returned Egypt's Sinai Peninsula under a peace agreement with Egypt.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy was quoted by Israel radio Thursday as saying Israel and the United States temporarily have put aside the issue of Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories.

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Services tomorrow

SHAW, Ima Lucille 'Lucy' - 2 p.m., graveside, Fairview Cemetery.

Obituaries

No obituaries were reported to *The Pampa News* by press time today.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat	2.53
Milo	4.05
Corn	4.58

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

Ky. Cent. Life	7 7/8	dn 1/8
Serfco	4 3/4	NC
Occidental	19 1/4	dn 1/8

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation.

Magellan	66.43
Puritan	13.26

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

Amoco	52 5/8	up 1/4
Arco	128 1/8	up 1
Cabot	34 7/8	up 1/2
Cabot O&G	16 3/8	dn 1/8
Chevron	76 1/2	up 1/4
Coca-Cola	53	up 1/4
Enron	55 7/8	dn 1/8
Halliburton	42 1/4	up 1/4
Ingersoll Rand	46 5/8	up 1/4
KNE	23 7/8	up 1/8
Kerr McGee	43 5/8	up 3/8
Limited	29 3/4	up 7/8
Mapco	50 1/2	up 1/2
Maxus	8 3/8	dn 1/8
McDonald's	35 3/8	NC
Mesa Ltd	2 5/8	NC
Mobil	65 7/8	up 1/4
New Atmos	16 7/8	up 1/8
Penney's	50 1/4	up 3/4
Phillips	28 1/4	NC
SLB	57 1/8	up 1/2
SPS	29 1/4	NC
Tenneco	43 1/2	up 1/8
Texaco	66 3/4	dn 1/4
Wal-Mart	42 7/8	up 1/4
New York Gold		362.20
Silver		4.00
West Texas Crude		20.85

Minor accidents

Pampa Police Department responded to the following accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

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8:05 a.m. – A 1986 Chevrolet driven by Carmen G. Kirkpatrick, 1912 N. Christy, and a 1976 Chevrolet pickup driven by David Alan Arreola, 401 N. Wells, collided in the 100 block of East Randy Matson Ave. Kirkpatrick was cited for following too closely. Arreola was cited for violating driver's license restriction "B." No injuries were reported at the scene.

8:06 a.m. – A 1985 Cadillac driven by Kathy Ballantyne Logan, 1820 N. Christy, and a 1990 Cadillac driven by Donna Edwards Starnes, 1526 N. Sumner, collided in the 1800 block of North Hobart. Logan was cited for failure to control speed. No injuries were reported at the scene.

1:15 p.m. – A 1966 Chevrolet driven by Emily Cole Coston, 1100 N. Somerville, collided with a house at 310 N. West, owned by Lee Roy Wright. Coston was cited for failure to control speed. Coston, 80, was taken by AMT Paramedic Service ambulance to Coronado Hospital Emergency Room, where she was treated and released.

6:10 p.m. – A 1981 Plymouth driven by William Robert Patterson, 120 S. Russell, and a 1983 Cadillac driven by Charles Wayne Steger, 1117 Seneca, collided at Hobart and Finch streets. Steger was cited for failure to yield right of way. Patterson, 76, was taken to Coronado Hospital Emergency Room by AMT Ambulance. He was admitted with a fractured right arm, according to Linda Haynes, hospital spokesperson. Steger and a passenger in the Patterson vehicle, whose name was not listed on the police report, reported possible injuries at the scene.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	665-8481
SPS	669-7432
Water	665-3881

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL
Admissions

Mark A. Carpenter, Pampa
Frances Gregory, Pampa
Carolyn R. Griffith, Pampa
Tammy G. Maddox, Briscoe
Alice S. Raines, Pampa
Anna D. Saiz, Pampa
Lillian E. Whitten, Pampa

Birth

To Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy R. Maddox of Briscoe, a girl.

Dismissal

Lee Roy McBride, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
Admissions

Grace Knoll, Shamrock
Nancy Parks, Dodson
Martha Francis, Shamrock
Herbert Stacy, Shamrock
Mary Bledsoe, Wheeler

Dismissal

Grace Knoll, Shamrock

Police report

Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

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Jennifer Humphrey, 934 Sierra, reported an assault at Pampa High School, 100 E. Harvester.

Raja Valentine, 1141 Huff Rd., reported an assault at Pampa High School, 100 E. Harvester.

Harassment was reported in the 1200 block of East Kingsmill.

A 16-year-old reported aggravated assault with a pan at a restaurant located at 23rd and Hobart streets. The youth suffered a broken nose in the incident, according to the police report.

Chel Bridgeman, Box 1980, reported assault with a baseball at Cuyler and Francis streets.

Freddie Henry Redfern of Stratford reported unauthorized use of a 1977 Ford pickup in the 600 block of East Frederic.

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Brian Allan Smith, 530 Roberta, reported criminal mischief at the residence to a 1984 Chevrolet pickup.

Allsups, 500 E. Foster, reported theft under $20 from the business.

Patrick Arnold Darling, 532 Powell, reported criminal mischief to a 1983 Chevrolet pickup at the residence.

Arrests

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Freddie Redfern, 65, of Stratford was arrested at the 600 block of East Frederic on a charge of public intoxication.

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Alan Baumgardner, 29, of Rt. 1, Box 150-0, was arrested at 1424 N. Russell on a capia pro fine. He was released after paying fines.

Fires

No fires were reported to the Pampa Fire Department during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB

Pampa Bridge Club meets on Sunday at 2 p.m in Room 11 at Clarendon College. For a partner, contact Verdalee Cooper at 669-2813.

SOUTHSIDE SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

The lunch menu for Saturday is baked chicken, mixed greens, carrots, brown bread and pudding.

Consumer prices fell last month

WASHINGTON (AP) – Consumer prices fell last month for the first time in almost five years, the government said today, a 0.1 percent decline that analysts said should give the Federal Reserve leeway to push interest rates lower.

The Labor Department said the rare decline in its Consumer Price Index followed a 0.2 percent February rise and a 0.4 percent advance in January.

It was the first decline in the index since April 1986, when it fell 0.4 percent. The March drop was attributed to another steep fall in gasoline and other energy prices, which have now retreated 18 percent from their November peak.

Even more important to jittery financial markets was the fact that the so-called core rate of inflation, excluding the volatile energy and food sectors, was up only 0.1 percent in March following worrisome gains of 0.8 in January and 0.7 percent in February.

A moderation in price inreases for such things as women's clothing, new cars and alcoholic beverages was credited for the big slowdown in the core inflation rate.

Many analysts said the good news on retail inflation, following Thursday's report of a fourth consecutive decline in wholesale prices, should provide the Fed with the incentive to launch another round of interest rate reductions to fight the recession.

Such an action is being strongly pushed by the Bush administration, which is worried that the Fed has been half-hearted in its efforts to make sure the current fairly mild recession does not deepen into something worse.

Many private economists believe that a string of weak March reports on the economy, ranging from a big jump in unemployment to declines in retail sales, will force the Fed to ease interest rates. However, the timing of the easing move was an open question.

Some economists looked for a quick rate cut while others said the Fed may be slow to ease this time around given a sharp policy split inside the central bank.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan is struggling to reach a consensus among opposing camps. One group believes the Fed has already done enough easing to boost the economy out of the recession and any further rate cuts will make inflation worse as the recovery gets underway. However, the other camp, which includes Greenspan, believes that more needs to be done in order to guard against a deeper and longer recession.

In the first three months of this year, inflation at the consumer level has been rising at an annual rate of just 2.4 percent. That represented the best showing for consumer prices since a 2.2 percent annual rate of inrease in the July-September quarter of 1986, another period when falling energy prices contributed to lower inflation.

For March, energy prices fell 5 percent as gasoline pump prices dropped 4.9 percent. Home heating oil costs dropped 6.8 percent and natural gas prices fell 1.2 percent.

Food prices edged up 0.2 percent in March, following a 0.1 percent February gain. The slight acceleration was attributed to a turnaround in fruit and vegetable prices, which rose 1.3 percent after falling by 2.3 percent in February.

One of the big factors contributing to the price moderation in the core inflation rate was a 3.2 percent drop in women's clothing costs, a category which had spurted upward in the past two months as retailers introduced the new spring lines earlier than usual.

Prices for new autos edged up 0.3 percent after posting much larger gains in the two previous months.

The various changes left the Consumer Price Index at 135.0 in March compared to a level of 128.7 a year ago and 100 for the base period of 1982-84. That means that a marketbasket of goods that cost $135.00 last month would have cost $128.70 a year ago and $100 in the base period.

Roberts County swears in new sheriff

MIAMI - Bill Britton was sworn in Thursday as Roberts County Sheriff to fill the vacancy left by the retirement of Sheriff Lando Brown.

"Sheriff Brown retired for health reasons," said Roberts County Judge Vernon Cook in a telephone interview today. "We appreciate his 12 years of service to the county and wish him luck in retirement."

Brown and his wife have moved to Bartlesville, Okla., where "we understand he's going to do a lot of fishing," said Cook.

At the regular monthy meeting Monday of the Roberts County Commissioners' Court, board members accepted Brown's resignation and took action to fill the vacancy, according to Cook.

A motion and action to appoint Robert Payne as sheriff failed by a 3-2 vote, Cook said.

Britton was then appointed to the position. Judge Cook and Commissioners Don Morrison, Ronnie Gill and Jim Duvall voted in favor of the appointment, with Commissioner William Clark abstaining.

Britton has 16 years experience in law enforcement. Prior to appointment as sheriff, he served as chief deputy sheriff in Roberts County.

Local Red Cross personnel called to help in Harlingen

Two representatives of the Gray County Area Chapter of the American Red Cross have been called to the disaster relief efforts in South Texas, officials said today.

Lynda Duncan, director of the local chapter, and disaster volunteer Larry Brawley of Pampa left the city at approximately 11 a.m. today to drive the disaster van to Harlingen after being called to assist Harlingen residents who were affected by the massive flooding there last week.

Duncan said the Pampa volunteers are expected to work at Harlingen for a two- to three-week period. She did not know what their duties would be at press time today.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

FOR SALE: Used brown carpet, good shape; Hi-back easy chairs; sheets. See at Northgate Inn. Adv.

THE FORMER Kids Korner is still open under new name and management Happy Times Child Care Center, Licensed. Where Your Child Is Our Main Concern. 665-8922. Adv.

MATHIS CARPET Cleaning. Dry foam extraction. 2 1/2 hour time drying. The most effective way to get carpet really clean. 665-4531. Adv.

BIRD AND Aquarium Sale. Pets Unique, 910 W. Kentucky, 665-5102. Adv.

MISSING CNN? Missing Nickelodeon? If your TV stops at Channel 13, there is a solution, cable converter for any TV $49.95. Includes cables, adaptors and free installation in the Pampa Area. Owen Electronics, 274-7077, after 7 p.m. 665-6779. Adv.

ELECTRIC STOVE, white dressers, antique dresser and wardrobe. 665-9517. Adv.

FOR SALE - New white lacquer dinette set, used only twice, $400. After 5 p.m., call 669-2321. Adv.

KNIGHT LITES - Dance to Kickback Friday 9:00-12:00 Saturday 9-1 $5 person, $7 couple. 618 W. Foster. Adv.

STARTING LADIES Golf Association. Interested ladies call Pro-Shop at Hidden Hills, 669-0466. Adv.

TURF-MAGIC Weed-N-Feed or Super Lawn Food, your choice $8.99, 40 pound bag. Pampa Lawnmower, 501 S. Cuyler. Adv.

ADDINGTON'S SHOWER of Savings! Specials too numerous to mention. Hurry for best selections. Adv.

PERSONAL TOUCH. Come in and see what's 30 and 50% off. Great savings! 113 N. Cuyler. Adv.

HAT SHOWING: Hats from every era since 1900. White Deer Land Museum in Pampa, April 25-26. Photography exhibit by Darlene Holmes. Adv.

TAX SERVICE & Bookkeeping, Glenda Brownlee, 665-0310 or 274-2142. Adv.

CRAFTERS, ANTIQUERS, now reserving spaces in new antique, collectibles and craft mall, opening soon in Pampa. Dorothy, 669-2484. Adv.

FEEL DRAB? Need a new look? Call Barbara's Creations for Your Sewing Needs. 665-2024. Adv.

DESK & Derrick Dance and Shriners Barbeque, April 13, M.K. Brown. Meal 7:30, Clyde Logg Band 9 p.m. Door prizes by Wayne's Western Wear and Travel Express. $25 couple barbeque and dance, $15 couple dance only. Call 669-2807. Adv.

QUILT SEMINAR sponsored by Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild. Beginners double Irish chain, Friday 19th. Intermediate Lone Star, Saturday 20th. 665-4268, 665-7069. Adv.

FOR SALE Complete Passive Exercise equipment. Call 665-8958 or 665-9466. Adv.

SPRING FLING 20, 30, 50% Off. New shipments of real and smell alike cologns. The Clothes Line. Adv.

SALE. 100 N. Faulkner. April 13, 14th. 23 foot trailer, fully self contained, refrigerator, air conditioner, furnace. 21 inch battery or electric tv. Exercise bike, lots of polyester material. Adv.

ROUGH RIDERS Band from Nazereth will be at City Limits this weekend. Adv.

Experts: Feds tardy on airline safety measures

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) – Many people who survived airline crashes only to die from smoke and fire could have been saved if the government had moved faster on measures to speed evacuations, safety officials say.

"We wait until after we have a major accident in order to justify something that might have kept people alive," Jim Burnett, a member of the National Transportation Safety Board, told lawmakers Thursday.

Burnett said it may take the Federal Aviation Administration and related agencies years to draft and enforce needed regulations, adding: "We'll all hold our breath we don't lose another planeload of people in the meantime."

The House Government Operations transportation subcommittee also heard testimony by survivors and by the father of a victim of a Los Angeles runway collision last February. Twenty-two people aboard a USAir Boeing 737 were killed, all but one from fire and smoke inhalation. All 12 aboard a commuter plane perished.

"My son died one row from the exit," said Alex Richman of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. "David could have survived if there had been less smoke and toxic fumes, the exits were more accessible or if he had a smoke hood."

Recommendations by witnesses included installing smoke hoods on all flights, widening spaces between seats adjacent to overwing exits and implementing guidelines on fire-retardant materials inside the cabin.

Christopher J. Witkowski, director of the Aviation Consumer Action Project, said anti-smoke protection "is crucial because when fire breaks out on a plane, the passenger cabin can quickly turn into a gas chamber."

He said the FAA has a "sad history of allowing important safety issues to drag on for years while passengers are left to fend for themselves."

The FAA last week issued a "notice of proposed rule-making" recognizing that "speed in evacuating an aircraft is the key to survival."

It proposed that airliners either expand the space between rows at window exits to at least 20 inches or remove the seats next to exits to make it easier for passengers to evacuate planes filling with smoke and fire.

Witnesses complained that the FAA concluded as early as 1986 on the need to widen window-exit corridors. And they said it could still take years before last week's proposal is put into effect.

Capt. Ricky R. Davidson, chairman of the Air Line Pilots Association's Accident Survival Committee, said improved evacuation standards are crucial because 70 percent of aircraft accident deaths are caused by fire and toxic smoke.

Rep. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., the subcommittee's chairwoman, said Britain's Civil Aviation Authority issued orders to improve access to overwing exits within four months of an August 1985 fire on a British Airways jet in Manchester. Fifty-five of the 137 people aboard died from toxic gases and ash emitted from burning cabin plastics.

David Koch, a chemical engineer from New York who survived the USAir crash, described a "crowd of frenzied people blocking the aisle" as intense black smoke filled the cabin. Each breath, he said, "was like getting punched in the chest."

Anthony J. Broderick, the FAA's associate administrator for regulation and certification, said "substantial progress" had been made in improving post-crash survivability.

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Faulkner

In April of 1990, Paul Scott Daugherty, a former vice president and director of the Miami bank, pleaded guilty to one count of embezzlement and misapplication of credit life insurance commissions and one count of embezzlement of bank money for personal expenses.

Fatheree, formerly of Pampa and later a Dallas resident, pleaded guilty at the same time to two embezzlement and misapplication counts involving two of the straw man loans charged in the Faulkner indictment.

Daugherty, on his two guilty pleas, was sentenced to three years in prison and five years of probation following the prison term.

Fatheree, on his two guilty pleas, was sentenced to four years in prison and five years of probation following the prison term.

U.S. District Judge Robinson sentenced Fatheree and Daugherty in July 1990 in U.S. District Court in Amarillo.

Robinson ordered Fatheree to pay $509,000 in restitution and ordered Daugherty to pay $7,378.18. The two men faced maximum sentences of 10 year in prison and $500,000 fines.

Kimball previously has stated the Miami bank is solvent and depositors are not going to lose money as a result of the scandal.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, partly cloudy, low in the upper 30s, with west winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy and cooler, high in the mid 60s, with southwest winds 10 to 20 mph and gusting. Thursday's high was 87; the overnight low was 58.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas – Partly cloudy in the Panhandle, sunny days and fair nights elsewhere through Saturday. Lows tonight 35 northern Panhandle to 57 Concho Valley. Highs Saturday in the 70s except 60s in the Panhandle and around 90 in the Big Bend valleys.

North Texas – Considerable cloudiness with a chance of thunderstorms. Some may be severe with locally heavy rainfall tonight. Mostly cloudy tonight with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows from 60 to 66. Mostly cloudy Saturday with a chance of thunderstorms. Highs from 72 to 79.

South Texas – Cloudy mornings with mostly cloudy, breezy and warm afternoons through Saturday. Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms central and east each day. Highs Saturday in the 80s to the 90s south and lows in the 60s north to the 70s south and coastal plains.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Sunday through Tuesday

West – Panhandle: Sunday through Tuesday fair. Lows near or below freezing Monday. Highs mid 50s Sunday warming to low 70s Tuesday. Low in mid 30s except near 30 Monday. South Plains: Sunday through Tuesday fair. Highs mid 60s Sunday and Monday warming to mid 70s Tuesday. Lows mid to upper 30s. Permian Basin: Mostly fair. Highs around 70 Sunday and Monday warming to mid 70s Tuesday. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Concho-Pecos Valleys: Mostly fair. Highs mid to upper 70s. Lows mid 40s. Far West: Fair. Highs upper 60s Sunday warming to near 80 Tuesday. Lows around 40. Big Bend: Mostly fair. Mountains, highs in upper 70s. Lows around 40. Lowlands. Highs mid to upper 80s. Lows around 50.

North – West and Central: Dry and mild through the period. Lows in the 50s Sunday and 40s Monday and Tuesday. Highs in the 70s. East: Chance of thunderstorms early Sunday. Otherwise dry and mild through the period. Lows in the 50s Sunday and 40s Monday and Tuesday. Highs in the 70s.

South – Hill Country and South Central: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms Sunday. Lows in the 60s. Highs near 80. Cooler Monday with showers and thunderstorms ending. Lows near 50. Highs in the 60s. Partly cloudy Tuesday. Lows in the 40s. Highs near 70. Coastal Bend: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms Sunday. Lows in the 70s. Highs in the 80s. Cooler Monday with showers and thunderstorms ending. Lows near 60. Highs in the 70s. Partly cloudy Tuesday. Lows in the 50s. Highs in the 70s. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms Sunday. Low in the 70s. Highs in the 80s. Cooler Monday with showers and thunderstorms ending. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 70s. Partly cloudy Tuesday. Lows in the 50s. Highs in the 70s. Southeast Texas and Upper Coast: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms Sunday. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 80s. Cooler Monday with showers and thunderstorms ending. Lows in the 50s. Highs in the 70s. Partly cloudy Tuesday. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 60s to near 70.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma – Partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms most sections except Panhandle tonight. Thunderstorms ending east, turning cooler west Saturday. Lows tonight mid 30s Panhandle to mid 60s southeast. Highs Saturday low 60s Panhandle to 70s elsewhere.

New Mexico – Tonight, partly cloudy northern third with a chance of lowland rain or higher mountain snow showers, fair skies south. Lows in the teens and 20s mountains and northwest with 30s and 40s at lower elevations. Saturday breezy and cooler statewide. Partly cloudy northern third with a chance of lowland rain or higher mountain snow showers, fair skies south. Highs in the 40s to low 50s mountains and northwest with 60s to low 70s at lower elevations of the south.

Salinas tells Texas legislators free-trade pact good for both nations

By MICHAEL HOLMES
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AUSTIN (AP) – Opening trade between the United States and Mexico will be good for the economies on both sides of the border, Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari said today.

In a historic speech to the Legislature, the first by a Mexican leader to Texas lawmakers, Salinas said a U.S.-Mexican free trade agreement would create jobs in both nations.

"We are, in effect, building a new relationship. We are doing so because it is good for Mexicans and Americans alike," Salinas said.

"We are at a stage in history when we can take meaningful steps that ensure the competitiveness of our countries and the welfare of our peoples for generations. Seldom do these opportunities arise in the course of history," he said.

Salinas arrived at the Capitol about 8:40 a.m. to a booming 21-gun salute from Texas National Guard cannons. He held a brief private meeting with Richards before entering the House chamber, where he was greeted with a standing ovation.

"President Salinas is an outstanding contemporary head of state," Richards said. "The people of Texas and Mexico share a culture and a heritage. And we look forward to creating a new economic prosperity in which all of our people share."

In an English translation of the speech he delivered in Spanish, the Mexican president said his nation is working to improve its economic and industrial capabilities.

He said Mexico intends to compete in the emerging world economic order that includes a united Europe, Japan and the Pacific Rim countries.

"Mexicans do not want, nor will they allow themselves to lag behind global competition because their well-being depends on it and because they want to form part of the new future," Salinas said.

But the challenges also present opportunities to the United States and Mexico, he said.

"The government of Mexico sees in the free-trade agreement a mechanism for spurring our economy to become more competitive, creating jobs that my compatriots so sorely need and demand," the president said.

"We want to export goods from Mexico, not people; the free trade agreement will make it possible to reduce migration by stimulating the creation of jobs in both Mexico and the United States."

Salinas also said his country was striving to combat drug trafficking. He called that "an unavoidable commitment because it is in defense of our national security and the health of our children."

He said Mexico was working to clean up pollution, a topic Richards' aides said the governor was particularly concerned about.

"This is a source of genuine anxiety," Salinas said. "We now have laws in effect as stringent as any in the world, and we are firm in our decision to allow only clean investment, meeting standards that would be acceptable in the United States and Canada."

Officials said his 20-minute speech was broadcast to television and radio audiences in Mexico. "It's being considered a significant speech in light of the free-trade agreement," said Margaret Justus, a spokeswoman for Richards who helped coordinate the visit.

The Mexican leader also was scheduled to stop at the University of Texas, where officials said his visit would showcase the school's Latin American and Mexican American studies programs.

A jampacked schedule awaited Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari after his arrival in San Antonio today – free trade speeches, art exhibit openings and public appearances.

Salinas visited San Antonio after addressing the State Legislature in Austin.

Mexican First Lady Cecilia Occelli de Salinas arrived Wednesday evening in San Antonio. Thursday, she visited a children's hospital, apartments for the disabled and art, fashion and silver exhibits.

Her husband was scheduled to make an appearance at Plaza Mexico downtown today for a formal welcoming. Later he was to speak on free trade, hold private meetings with business and civic leaders and view the newly-opened art exhibit "Mexico: Splendors of Thirty Centuries."

Hundreds of west San Antonio residents made plans to see Salinas later this afternoon at Guadalupe Plaza, where music, theatrical performances and poetry readings are planned.

"There's a million details, of course, but everything is moving along smoothly," said Pedro Rodriguez, director of the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center. "The only thing we hope and pray for is no rain."

Salinas also is to attend a civic dinner in his honor.

Saturday brings more private visits with civic and business leaders before a barge tour of the San Antonio River Walk and a private meeting with mayors of Texas and U.S. cities.

Former San Antonio mayor Henry Cisneros joined Salinas in Chicago Wednesday and was to remain with the official entourage during the rest of the president's U.S. trip.

Cisneros and Salinas were classmates in the early 1970s at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Other Mexican presidents have visited San Antonio, which is the nation's ninth-largest city and has a majority Hispanic population.

Salinas' father, 73-year-old Raul Salinas Lozano, once was a newspaper boy in San Antonio, selling the San Antonio Light in downtown. The elder Salinas, an economist with a graduate degree from Harvard, now is director of an administrative agency in Mexico.

(AP Laserphoto)

Lubbock Police Officer Henry Feldman tries to remember the details of a March 30 accident that left him in a coma.

Policeman nearly killed in accident can't even remember the mishap

LUBBOCK (AP) – Lubbock police officer Henry Feldman came face-to-face with death and can't even remember the experience.

Feldman was responding to a an early morning disturbance March 30 when he was struck by a car in a grisly hit-and-run accident.

The good news is he is recovering. And perhaps even better, he "can't remember a thing about" the near fatal collision.

"When they told me I had been hit by a car, I said, 'No kidding?' " Feldman said. "I didn't know I'd been hit; I didn't know where I was when I woke up."

While responding to the disturbance, Feldman began chasing someone on foot and radioed into the station for backup.

About 20 seconds after Feldman's last call, officer David Savell arrived and found Feldman lying in the middle of the street, bleeding from his head.

Feldman was "convulsing and gasping for air," according to Savell's report.

Jason Seth Furr, 18, was arrested and charged with attempted capital murder in the incident. Furr remained in Lubbock County Jail Thursday in lieu of $250,000 bond.

Feldman's wife, Grace, was at his bedside when he regained consciousness.

"Henry is our walking miracle," Mrs. Feldman said. "I was there when he woke up.

"When he opened his eyes, I said, 'I love you,' and he said, 'I love you, too. Who are you?' "

Feldman said he gradually remembers more. His doctors told him he eventually will remember what happened to him.

"The only thing I know right now is what the detectives told me and what I read in the paper," he said. "I can't say what I could have done differently until it all comes back to me."

Despite his injuries and the dangers of police work, Feldman said he is ready to get back on the job.

"Once police work is in your blood, you can't go back to anything else," the officer said.

"I'm mentally ready now, but my hands and knees aren't. My head doesn't hurt, but my teeth sure do. I can tell I hit something."

Texas share of federal pie falls again

WASHINGTON (AP) – Texas has once again lost ground in the competition for a share of the federal dollar, and officials say the impact is felt by everyone from military contractors and those who depend on the government for support because they have no where else to turn.

"Unfortunately, there's enough pain to spread throughout the state in every area geographically and throughout our population," said Jane Hickie, director of the Texas Office of State-Federal Relations.

A Census Bureau report Thursday said actual federal spending in Texas totaled $58 billion last year, with per capita spending of $3,428.

While both actual and per capita spending in the state increased between 1989 and 1990, the state's ranking in per capita distribution of federal funds dropped from 40th to 41st. The state ranked 39th in 1987 and 40th in 1988.

Hickie called the drop "terrible news. ... To have moved from 39th to 40th to 41st is really very serious."

However, she said Gov. Ann Richards and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock have made winning more federal dollars for the state a high priority.

"We have a very tough fight on our hands in every sector of federal spending," she said.

Although Texas fares better than many states when it comes to winning defense contracts and Pentagon paychecks, it falls short in spending for social service programs and in direct aid to the disabled, the elderly and the impoverished, the Census Bureau reported.

But even the state's usually strong share of procurement dollars, most of which are spent on military contracts, showed signs of decline. The report said procurement dollars actually fell from $11.35 billion in 1989 to $11.2 billion in 1990.

Andy Welch, a spokesman for the Texas Comptroller's Office, estimates the federal government shortchanges Texas by $2.4 billion a year. He blamed state agencies for not being aggressive enough in pursuing that money for a variety of programs, many of which help the state's most vulnerable citizens.

"It's money Texas taxpayers have paid for services to which they are entitled, and we're allowing that money to slip through the cracks," Welch said.

With the state facing a deficit over the next two years of $4.6 billion, Welch said it is critical for agencies to work harder to obtain those federal funds.

Five killed in weather-related accidents in Dallas area

By MIKE DRAGO
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GARLAND (AP) – A man whose car was swept from a temporary bridge during flash flooding was found alive early today after spending the night hanging in trees, police said.

Stan Kudwa, 31, of Garland, had attempted to drive across the bridge and became trapped by the roaring water. Several Garland officers attempted in vain to rescue him and it was feared that he had drowned.

"He was disoriented after spending the night hanging in trees," said Garland police spokesman Allan Peck. The man was taken to Baylor Hospital of Garland for treatment for exposure and shock, Peck said.

There was a report that other people may be missing in flash flooding triggered by a severe thunderstorm that also damaged a high school and several homes in this Dallas suburb.

Although no one sighted a tornado, Garland police spokesman Allan Peck said the damage has many of the characteristics of a tornado.

While officers were attempting to rescue Kudwa, police heard several other people shouting for help. They theorized the people may have been in a nearby tree, but officers could not find them.

Officers Harold Sneed and John Roscoe, who were involved in the rescue attempt, were treated for minor injuries and released from a local hospital.

Weather-related traffic accidents claimed at least five lives in the Dallas-Fort Worth area Thursday night. Four people were killed and seven were injured in a three-vehicle accident in Mesquite and another person died in a traffic accident in Irving.

Although no one saw a tornado funnel, residents reported hearing a "very loud whistle" for a brief time as the storm passed over, Peck said.

"There are two cars upside down on sidewalks. I don't know where they came from. I have a hard time believing that straight wind did that," Peck said. "It skipped around," he added, saying that damage was not isolated to one particular area.

Don Eden, 53, of Garland, also didn't see a funnel cloud, but he came out of hiding from his bathroom in time to see a side wall of his one-story home ripped away.

The storm also shredded his patio and left his neighbor's camper smashed in his backyard.

"I told them I wanted a camper, but not this way," said Eden.

"It was just a big noise," Eden added.

The roof of the South Garland High School gymnasium was blown off only a short time after prospective members of a high school drill team finished tryouts.

A trampoline from the gymnasium was found in a parking lot about 200 feet away.

A car was overturned in the front yard of a nearby home. Other cars were parked nearby and were not damaged.

Peck said school officials said the school would be closed today.

Two homes suffered "substantial" damage and about two dozen others were damaged.

"We've had a lot worse," Peck said. "No homes were leveled."

Peck said several Garland Police cars were recovered after they were washed off the streets.

Bridges on Centerville Road, Miller Road and Glenbrook Street were closed and barricaded until they can be inspected to be sure they did not suffer structural damage, Peck said.

Several dozen families were evacuated briefly from their homes on Duck Creek, a Garland stream that frequently floods during heavy rainfall, Peck said.

"They were able to go back home after a short time," he said.

At least two police cars were washed away during flash flooding in Mesquite, police said. The officers managed to escape, a spokesman said.

Three Mesquite officers who escaped from the flooded cars had to be treated for severe ant bites. Officers theorized that a fire ant colony had been washed into the water with the officers.

There were reports of two tornadoes in southeast Dallas, but the Dallas Office of Emergency Preparedness said they could not be confirmed.

Some homes in the area where the twisters were sighted were damaged and signs were blown down. There were no injuries reported in that area.

A woman told officers that she found someone's roof in her front yard. Another woman said she found a softball-size chunk of hail in her yard.

Water ran curb deep across many streets in southeast Dallas. Road crews closed a section of Bruton Road near Second Avenue in southeast Dallas for a time because of flash flooding.

Flash flooding was also reported on Denton Creek in Denton County north of Dallas.

In addition to the two reported twister sightings in southeast Dallas, there was a tornado sighted south of Midlothian in Ellis County, just south of Dallas.

Police reported widespread street flooding in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, particularly in southwest Fort Worth. Weather officials said 3.4 inches of rain fell in an hour and a half in downtown Fort Worth.

Dime-size hail pelted the area near Fort Worth's Hulen Mall.

At Fort Worth, Texas Utilities spokesman Dick Jones said about 7,600 customers lost power when the thunderstorm hit the southwest portion of Tarrant County. Power was restored to all but 4,800 homes by midnight and Jones estimated that electricity was expected to be completely restored later today.

TU Electric spokesman Pat Nichols said as many as 20,000 homes were out of electricity in Dallas during the storm. It will be tonight before electricity is stored to all of them, Ms. Nichols said.

Bergstrom, Carswell, Chase on base closing list in Texas

By JENNIFER DIXON
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WASHINGTON (AP) – Defense Secretary Dick Cheney today recommended closing Bergstrom Air Force Base in Austin, Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth and Chase Naval Field Air Station in Beeville through a military realignment that results in a net gain of 4,103 jobs in Texas.

Although Texas would lose a total of 12,072 jobs through shuttering the three installations, the state still picks up 16,175 jobs, mostly through moving the 13,540-strong 5th Mechanized Infantry Division from Fort Polk, La., to Fort Hood in Killeen.

Other installations in Texas picking up personnel under Cheney's recommended realignment include: Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, 37; Brooks AFB, San Antonio, 41; Dyess AFB, Abilene, 182; Lackland AFB, San Antonio, 520; Laughlin AFB, Del Rio, 125; Randolph AFB, San Antonio, 466; Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls, 870; and the Kingsville Naval Air Station, 361.

But the loss of Carswell and its 5,543 military and civilian employees would be a tough blow for Fort Worth, which has had hundreds of layoffs recently at defense contractors and other manufacturers. General Dynamics alone over the past year has laid off 6,000 because of reduced F-16 fighter production and 3,400 because of cancellation of the A-12 attack plane.

Sgt. Linda Brandon, a public affairs officer says Carswell official won't have any reaction until after official word from Cheney. "We don't have anything until the Secretary of Defense has his press conference later today," Ms. Brandon said.

Fort Worth Mayor Bob Bolen scheduled an afternoon news conference to discuss the recommendation.

The base is a part of the Strategic Air Command and houses a fleet of B-52 bombers, which are being phased out. Bergstrom, which employs another 4,882 military and civilian employees, is home to RF-4s, fighter jets fitted for reconnaissance missions.

A spokesman for Austin Rep. J.J. "Jake" Pickle said the congressman was disappointed but not surprised.

Chase Field, which provides training to aircraft carrier pilots, employs 1,647 in economically distressed South Texas.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said he was notified early this morning by Army Secretary Michael Stone of plans to move the division to Fort Hood, which would bring the Central Texas base back to full strength in the wake of the deactivation of the 2nd Armored Division.

"This will avert the economic catastrophe that would have become a long-term feature of the economy of Central Texas had the 2nd Armored Division not been deactivated and replaced at Fort Hood," Gramm said.

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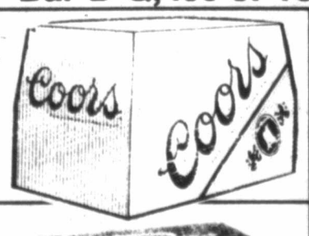
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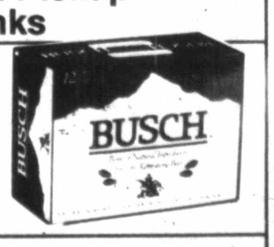
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Opinion

Government trying to regulate the past

Computers are the engine powering our economy, both from sales of computers and their related software and from their increasingly widespread use in businesses and industries to power their growth. They played a critical role in the Persian Gulf War, as Saddam Hussein surely knows.

You would think the government would be happy to sit back, collect the taxes on computer sales, then waste the money, as usual. But the Federal Trade Commission has begun an investigation into the competitive practices of Microsoft Corp. of Redmond, Wash., the biggest software firm in the world. The FTC thinks Microsoft might be trying to establish a monopoly over some areas of computer software.

For IBM personal computers, as well as the "clones" based on IBM designs, Microsoft is the major producer of "operating systems" software, the computers' "brains." The FTC fears that Microsoft may be using its control over these "brain" systems to monopolize the applications software market – word processors, spreadsheets and games.

But only a government agency could come up with such a moronic notion. The word processor field is already dominated by Word Perfect, and the dominant spreadsheet is Lotus; neither is produced by Microsoft. Microsoft is happy to share the design characteristics of its operating systems, even while those systems are under development. It knows that it can sell its operating systems only if other producers make thousands of applications that use the systems. Microsoft's marketing strategy is simple: Price the produce below $100 and sell millions.

Moreover, Microsoft doesn't really have a monopoly over operating systems. The Apple Macintosh continues to be popular, especially for desktop publishing. The Mac uses its own operating system, one that in many ways works better than Microsoft Windows. The Commodore Amiga and the Atari ST computers are less popular, but they offer comparable, though different, operating systems.

Perhaps the FTC personnel should use their own computers to do some figuring on Microsoft's "dominance" of the computer market.

The FTC should drop its investigation of Microsoft. But if it doesn't, it could at most sabotage only a part of the computer industry. Things change so fast in the computer world that no one can obtain dominance for long. With computers, the brontosaurus of government can only regulate the past.

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"Say, this IS a coincidence! I just recently gave up being a yuppie, too."

A not very horrible decision

James J. Kilpatrick

WASHINGTON – The Supreme Court's opinion of March 26 in the Fulminante case set off a terrible fluttering in liberal dovecotes.

Joe Rauh, the 80-year-old godfather of civil libertarians, called the decision a "horror." *The Washington Post* found it "frightening." Harvard's Professor Laurence Tribe saw it as "very dismaying." The opinion strikes me as mildly disturbing.

This was a murder case. The constitutional question involved the admission of a confession (actually two confessions) in evidence. A 5-4 majority of the high court agreed (1) that Fulminante's confessions were "coerced." A slightly different 5-4 majority held (2) that the statements should not have been admitted.

Still a third 5-4 majority saw an opportunity in this case to say (3) that the admission of a coerced confession is not ALWAYS prohibited; under some circumstances the admission of a coerced confession may be "harmless error."

The upshot of all this is that Arizona may now try Oreste Fulminante a second time for the 1982 murder of his 11-year-old stepdaughter, Jeneane Michelle Hunt. The confessions may not be admitted in evidence.

For more than 50 years, at least since the Ed Brown case of 1934, the high court has been wrestling with the self-incrimination clause of the Fifth Amendment. It says that no person shall be "compelled" in any criminal case to be a witness against himself. What's in the verb?

In the Brown case a sheriff looked the other way while a Mississippi lynch mob seized a black youth suspected of murder. After Brown had twice been suspended on a rope (though not fatally suspended), he was whipped until he confessed. This was clearly compulsion. A unanimous Supreme Court threw out the conviction.

In the years that followed the Brown case, the court repeatedly looked at that word "compelled." Sometimes the court came down in one way, sometimes in another.

Following a murder in Tennessee in 1941, police turned a floodlight onto E.E. Ashcraft and questioned him in relays for 36 hours. In May 1944 the high court unanimously ruled that his confession was "coerced" and hence inadmissible.

One month after the Ashcraft case was decided, the court went the other way in the Oklahoma case of W.D. Lyons. This was a case of multiple murder. At one point, as Lyons was being interrogated, "a bag of victims' bones was placed on his lap." Nevertheless, the justices agreed that Lyons had not been so badly coerced that his confession was inadmissible.

The following year (1945) the court reviewed the case of Morris Malinski, charged with murder of a New York police officer. Police took the suspect to a Brooklyn hotel, stripped him naked and questioned him intermittently from a Friday evening until 2 o'clock the following Tuesday morning. The cops got a confession but it did them no good. The conviction was reversed.

But in 1952, the court considered the several confessions made by Fred Stroble in California. In some particulars the case resembled the Fulminante case decided last month. Here too the victim was a little girl who had been brutally strangled. Stroble confessed several times under circumstances that were hardly "voluntary," but the court affirmed his conviction.

A dozen other cases might be cited to suggest the difficulty the court has found in balancing the rights of the accused and the rights of society.

Voluntary confessions of course should be admitted in evidence. Coerced confessions should be barred, but let us be certain about the coercion. And if other probative evidence is clearly sufficient to convict, what is so terrible about admitting a shaky confession?

Back to the Fulminante case: The defendant twice confessed to murdering the child, but he was never "compelled" to confess. He spilled his story to a fellow inmate, one Sarivola, in the Ray Brook federal prison in New York. Later he sang again to Sarivola's wife. It turned out that Sarivola was an informer. In any event, Fulminante never was subjected to a third degree by the police. His confessions were not the product of brutality but of guile.

I would not prohibit police from using informers as Sarivola was used in this case. If criminal defense lawyers may treat the law as a game, then two should be able to play.

Let us reject any confession obtained by intimidation or torture. But in protecting the rights of the accused, let us remember the rights of 11-year-old Jeneane. She had a right that a murderer denied her – the right to be alive.

"Repo man! Hey! I know y'all are in there! I'm serious! Either y'all pay up or I take back that used war! Hear me?"

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, April 12, the 102nd day of 1991. There are 263 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 12, 1861, the Civil War began as Confederate forces fired on Fort Sumter in South Carolina.

On this date:

In 1606, England adopted as its flag the original version of the Union Jack.

In 1877, the catcher's mask was first used in a baseball game.

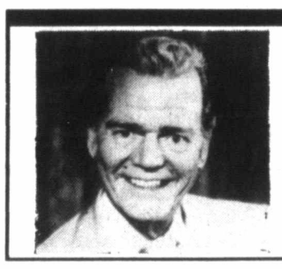
In 1945, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the 32nd president of the United States, died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Warm Springs, Ga., at age 63. Vice President Harry S. Truman became the nation's 33rd chief executive.

In 1955, the Salk vaccine against polio was declared safe and effective.

In 1961, 30 years ago, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first man to fly in space, orbiting the earth once before making a safe landing.

In 1975, the U.S. embassy in Phnom Penh was closed, and the last of the American personnel, including Ambassador John Gunther Dean, evacuated in the face of advancing Khmer Rouge forces.

America's running on empty



Paul Harvey

President Nixon built a bridge across the Pacific Ocean, readmitted China to the family of nations. Bully for him!

President Reagan tore down the Berlin Wall and ended the Cold War with the U.S.S.R. No small accomplishment.

President Bush is bringing the fragmented Middle East under at least a degree of discipline.

Now what about the United States?

Broke and $3 trillion in debt, our own country is running on empty.

Our gross federal debt has tripled in 10 years.

Fifty-eight-point-one percent of all the money you pay in taxes is used to pay interest on the money our government has borrowed to try to stay afloat.

One-point-six million Americans have lost their jobs since June; half a million just a little over a month ago.

Bankruptcies this past year were up 16 percent.

Yet, there is a way that our country, starting from where it is, can prosper again.

History says that any nation that taxes its people more than 43 percent goes backward.

When any government tries to take a larger-than-that share of a country's income, the tax base shrinks and tax collections go down.

In shirt-sleeve English: When people are taxed less, they work harder, make more money and pay more taxes.

Less taxes equals more taxes; the lesson is irrefutable.

Worldwide last year the average income tax rate was 46.7 percent, and those economies were in stagnation and decline.

University of Texas economist Gerald Scully says, "Those governments are shooting themselves in the foot."

Lower tax rates harvest increased tax revenues.

Example:

In the United States during the Reagan years, the top tax rate fell from 70 percent to 28 percent.

Yet, the richest Americans during that same period – the richest 1 percent – paid more taxes. Their share increased from 18 percent to 27 percent.

It's very difficult to convince Congress that lower taxes result in higher taxes, but that is the way it works.

High tax rates retard economic growth.

Any nation's economy enjoys the optimum rate of stimulation when its tax take is less than 20 percent.

Our present president is admittedly bored with economics, prefers diplomacy.

But if we don't learn from history – and soon – we are likely to repeat it. That is not a happy prospect – Rome and Spain and Greece and China won their wars and lost their shirts!

U.S. interests intact in Mideast mess

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

What a difference a month makes!

As March began, Americans were still enjoying the rush that followed Gen. Schwarzkopf's stunningly successful liberation of Kuwait. Our boys (and girls) would be home soon, and meanwhile, George Bush's popularity was sky-high.

A month later, the Middle East has turned into a royal mess. "Surgical" military strikes have been replaced by insoluble political problems, and over everything hangs the dark, greasy pall of the smoke from the fires of 900 Kuwaiti oil wells.

What kind of political outcome do we want in Iraq? – and, in any case, can we get it? Saddam Hussein is still alive and well in Baghdad, for crying out loud. The Kurds rose against him in the north, and the Shiites in the south; but he seems to have suppressed both rebellions. But we are warned that if we help the Kurds and Shiites, and Saddam falls, we will simply have accomplished "the Lebanonization of Iraq."

And what about Kuwait? The emir finally got around to going home, but his reception has been distinctly cool. At least some Kuwaitis apparently want more democracy. Meanwhile, the little country is in ruins, and the government seems sluggish about improving things.

For that matter, what about Iran and Syria? Iran is already fishing in Iraq's troubled waters, and Syria must be sorely tempted to do so. Should we warn them off, or let events take their course?

Finally, there are still other players in the Middle Eastern game: Israel, determined not to yield to pressure for some ill-advised settlement; Jordan, trying to inch its way back to acceptability; Turkey, fearful of Kurdish ambitions that threaten its own borders; Saudi Arabia and the Gulf emirates; Egypt; the PLO ...

No wonder President Bush decided to go fishing in the Florida Keys!

But perhaps that was exactly the gesture that this whole mess called for. Let's not get too impatient, let alone depressed, because things are not straigtening themselves out in the Middle East.

The region has been a diplomatic snake pit ever since the collapse of the Ottoman Empire in the First World War. Just how terrible, anyway, are the various problems that afflict it today? Not half so bad as those we faced when Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait.

If George Bush had not acted then – and fast – Saddam could have walked straight through Saudi Arabia and the Gulf emirates without even wrinkling his khakis. And then, with control of most of the oil in the Middle East in his pocket, he could have dictated terms to the West, including the United States.

So what if he is still in Baghdad? His teeth have been pulled, and it would be generous to estimate his shelf life at six months. But what, even, if Iraq hangs together, under him or (more likely) some equivalent thug? Alternatively, what if the Kurds and/or the Shiites improbably succeed, and we face that dreaded consequence, "the Lebanonization of Iraq"? (If it was good enough for Lebanon, it's good enough for Iraq.)

What I'm saying is that the situation in the Middle East is indeed a mess, but none of the region's current problems threaten – as Saddam Hussein's actions in August 1990 most certainly did – the vital interests of the United States.

So let's send oil-fire experts to Kuwait, and humanitarian food and medical supplies to the Iraqis. But let the Iraqis know, too, that the end of economic sanctions on everything else depends on their getting rid of the Big Boy.

As for their bombed-out bridges and lack of electricity and water, they can consider these just a down-payment for the days last year when they marched defiantly through the streets of Baghdad, clenched fists upraised, chanting "Death to America!"

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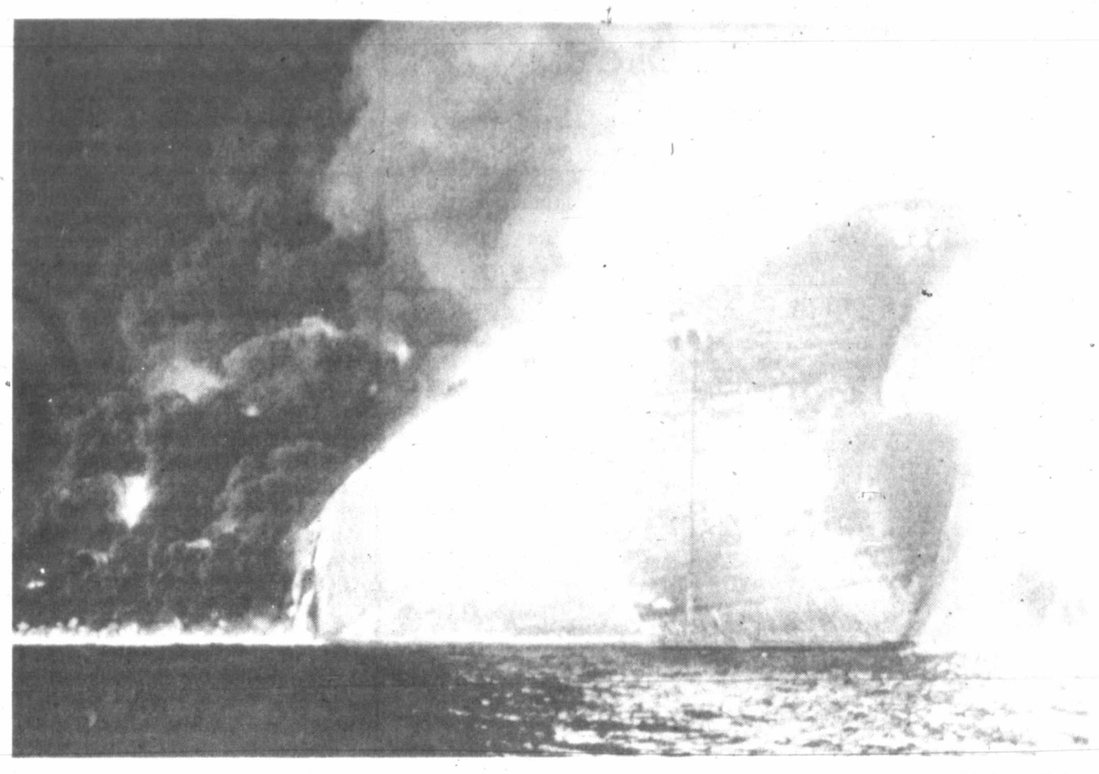

(AP Laserphoto)

A view of the Cypriot tanker "Haven" after an explosion turned it into a "ball of fire" off the Genoa, Italy harbor Thursday. At least six crewman died and 28 were injured.

Italians fight to protect beaches from burning tanker's oil wastes

GENOA, Italy (AP) – Port authorities laid down floating barriers today in an effort to keep oil wastes from a burning tanker from reaching Italian Riviera beaches.

There was no indication how much oil was spilled. A newspaper warned that the pollution may reach as far as the Freneh Riviera depending on currents.

The Cypriot-registered Haven, loaded with 970,000 barrels of Iranian crude, was partially sunk about three miles off the coast following an explosion that damaged the ship and touched off a fire Thursday, turning it into what officials called a "ball of fire."

The Genoa port authority said two crewmen were killed and three were missing. The cause of the blast has not been determined.

Thirty seamen who jumped overboard were hospitalized suffering from burns and smoke inhalation. Twelve were reported in critical condition. Most of them were Filipinos and Greeks.

"The ship still is burning and is leaking residuals of burnt oil. They look like black plastic balls, which float on the sea. We have no idea at the moment of the amount of oil leaked from the tanker," an official of the port authority said.

The 109,000-ton tanker had unloaded part of its load before the explosion.

Barriers were placed in the sea over a seven-mile stretch near the wreck, and port authorities planned to lay a second barrier, closer to the shore, as a precaution.

The sandy beaches threatened by pollution included those of Arenzano and Voltri, between Genoa and Varazze.

Italy's widely circulated daily newspaper Corriere della Sera claimed that pollution may reach as far as the French Riviera, 90 miles up the coast, depending on currents.

"It's too early and alarmist to make such predictions," the port authority official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Relief agencies report mixed response to appeals for aid for Kurdish refugees

By LARRY ROSENTHAL
Associated Press Writer

Relief agencies seeking donations for Kurdish refugees are getting an uneven response from the American public, and representatives suggest people are holding back until they know more about the situation.

As many as 2 million Kurds have fled from northern Iraq to the Iranian and Turkish borders after a failed Kurdish uprising sought to capitalize on Iraq's defeat in the Persian Gulf War.

While the U.S. government has begun to deliver aid, Turkish officials are pleading for more help for the refugees, who face death from hunger, freezing temperatures and disease.

International aid so far is barely making a dent, relief officials say.

"I think people are still confused about what the response should be," said Tom Getman, director of government relations for World Vision Relief and Development in Washington, D.C.

World Vision, which made a public appeal for donations on Tuesday, received just six calls at its Pasadena, Calif., office on Thursday, said spokesman Jeff Sellers.

"I think people want to wait and decide what is really going to happen," Sellers said. "It is not like an earthquake in El Salvador. It is much more complicated than that."

CARE, based in New York, also is finding the public slow to act.

"We have not had as many calls as we had hoped. But we are hopeful that once people see relief is being delivered effectively they will respond," said CARE spokesman Michael Weil.

The head of a Kurdish cultural institute in New York City, expressed the concern that donations may not get to the refugees.

"Really, people should be careful and wait until some of the smoke clears, because I think a lot of money is going to be washed down the tubes," said Vera Beaudin Saeedpour, who runs The Kurdish Program.

"If we send a plane over, we want to make sure the supplies will be properly used," she said.

Some relief agencies have accused the Bush administration of a slow and inadequate response to the crisis. On Sunday, the United States began airlifts of food, blankets and clothing.

"They've moved slowly on the whole Kurdish issue in general, and because of that, people have died and are probably dying at this very moment," said Pat O'Connell, program director for Kurdish Relief Aid in Palo Alto, Calif.

"We are very good at destruction, but we don't seem to be very good at putting things together," said Bishop Joseph Sullivan of Brooklyn's Roman Catholic Diocese in New York City.

But despite the complaints, some organizations report that responses to their calls for aid have been overwhelming.

AmeriCares, a relief agency based in New Canaan, Conn., said it received hundreds of calls from individuals and companies offering aid.

"The response has been unbelievable," said Steve Norman, an AmeriCares official.

"We've actually gone there. Maybe that makes the difference," Norman said.

On Tuesday, AmeriCares airlifted 70,000 pounds of medicine, food and emergency supplies to Kurdish refugees.

Alacer Corp. of Irvine, Calif., also announced Thursday that it would provide 75,000 packets of a vitamin C-potassium drink through the American Red Cross.

Catholic Relief Services, the Baltimore-based international relief and development agency of the U.S. Catholic Conference, also said it was overwhelmed with telephone calls from Catholic dioceses around the country.

Most callers ask where they can send money and when will the refugees receive food and clothing, said Elain Klugh, a CRS official.

Spring storm drops snow, hail, dust on central states

By HOWARD GOLDBERG
Associated Press Writer

A spring storm centered in western Kansas today crawled across the nation's heartland, hurling hail through windshields and swirling up gusts of rain and snow.

"It looks like this storm system is going to move at a snail's pace," said Karl Silverman, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Bismarck, N.D. "By tomorrow, it will have moved east only 100 miles."

"We have had some near-blizzard conditions in the southwest corner of the state," he said.

Gayle Fenner of the weather service said plows were pulled off highways near Hill City, S.D., for safety reasons after 12 to 18 inches of snow fell.

Seven traffic deaths were blamed on the weather, including two in Utah and five in the Dallas-Fort Worth area Thursday.

A thunderstorm in Texas blew the roof off the South Garland High School gymnasium and dropped enough rain to cause flash flooding that trapped a 31-year-old man in some trees overnight.

Though unrelated to the Western storm, flooding also was a problem in Maine. An ice jam that destroyed two bridges and deluged dozens of homes in Allagash moved down the St. John River and lodged against another ice backup, flooding Grand Isle, a farming village near the Canadian border.

In Kansas, a tornado Thursday night destroyed a farmstead northwest of Stockton, injuring a woman who lived there, authorities said.

Tornadoes and thunderstorms also pounded parts of Nebraska on Thursday night, damaging farm buildings and smashing windows.

"I can't tell you how many tornadoes have been reported by spotters because there have been so many," Adams County Civil Defense director Terry Marshall said. "There's no pattern at all. One minute there's nothing there, and the next minute there is – it's everywhere."

The National Weather Service said hail the size of tennis balls and baseballs accompanied some of the storms.

Early today, Nebraska had a mix of light snow, rain and fog with snowfall totals including 4 inches overnight at Chadron.

Ski resorts in Utah gleefully reported up to 41 inches of snow in two days. The snow also was welcome news for Western ranchers with dry stock ponds.

"My first thought was, 'Hallelujah! We're getting some moisture,'" said Kathy Reeves, interim extension agent for Pennington County, S.D.

Colorado's Berthoud Pass had 10 inches by early this morning and accumulations at the lower elevations of the Denver metropolitan area ranged from 3 to 5 inches, the weather service said.

As the storm, caused by an upper level pressure system meandering through eastern Utah and western Colorado, approached on Thursday, it produced a strange effect.

Wind-whipped dust from the dry eastern Colorado plains was suspended in the atmosphere until it was washed down in an auburn-hued snowfall.

"It was instant dirty cars," said Stan McFadden, who owns three coin-operated car washes. "I've never seen something like this."

Kennedy nephew says rape report is 'lie'

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) – Sen. Edward Kennedy's nephew, William Kennedy Smith, says any suggestion that he raped a woman at the Kennedy family compound is "a damnable lie."

Police, meanwhile, today intended to release an account of the alleged assault of March 30.

"I emphatically deny that the woman in question was abused or that force was used by me in any way," Smith, a 30-year-old Georgetown University medical student, said in a statement issued Thursday by his Washington lawyers.

"Any suggestion to the contrary is a damnable lie," he said.

Smith, who police have said is a suspect in the case, has maintained his innocence, but Thursday's statement was the most elaborate so far. He has not been arrested.

Authorities say Smith, his uncle and the senator's 23-year-old son, Patrick, met the woman at a popular nightspot and invited her and a friend to the Kennedy compound early on March 30.

Police, who have released few details about the case, said they decided to release a narrative of the sequence of events of the alleged assault to put an end to rumors.

"We feel that the information contained within the narrative will not hinder our investigation," police spokesman Craig Gunkel said. "So we will gladly make it public.

"This will put to rest some of the sources who haven't been accurate," he said.

Results from lab tests on blood and hair samples that could show whether Smith had sexual contact with the woman are expected to be in detectives' hands by Monday.

Meanwhile, New York Newsday reported Thursday that it had obtained a copy of a police account of the incident that said the victim reluctantly told a police officer that the person who assaulted her was the relative of a nationally known individual.

According to the newspaper, the woman said she was near a swimming pool on the grounds of the estate when Smith grabbed her by the ankle and "after some struggling he sexually assaulted her."

According to the account, the woman told police Smith tried to persuade her afterward that she had not been raped.

The newspaper also reported that a preliminary medical report showed she had bruises "that are consistent with a struggle."

The woman's account of being tripped and raped initially was reported last week by the Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel. Subsequently, anonmymous sources have repeated and elaborated on the tale.

Newsday, which mainly circulates on New York's suburban Long Island, was the first to print excerpts from the detective's report.

The Miami Herald, quoting a source it said was close to the Kennedy family, reported Thursday that the source said the evening ended with Smith kissing the woman goodnight.

"As (the woman) was leaving the compound, she got in her car, got a good-night kiss from Willie and drives out and goes south," the source told the newspaper.

Newsday said police learned of the incident several hours afterward from a victims' services counselor at a rape center.

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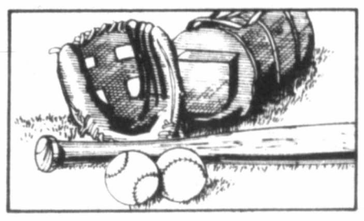

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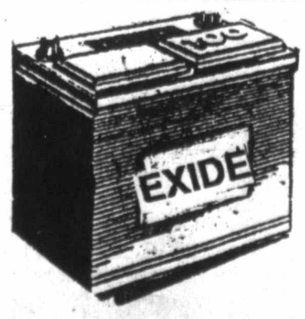

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Lutheran Task Force leaders plan meeting Monday in Amarillo

AMARILLO – Task Force Lutheran leaders in the Texas Panhandle are to meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 15, at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 3500 Bowie, to take further steps in establishing a Lutheran Social Service Office and staff in Amarillo to assist abused children.

"Over $51,000 has been raised in pledges and cash toward the goal of $100,000", said Kevin J. Gross, chairman of the LSST Panhandle Task Force. "The Easter fundraising campaign is still in process in hopes to reach the goal by the end of April, open the office at Beautiful Savior Church, and start helping children and families by June."

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Last year, officials in Potter and Randall counties investigated 1,674 families for child abuse and neglect.

For more information on how Panhandle citizens can help, call Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Amarillo, (806) 359-9483.

His Touch

By Charlotte Barbaree

Scripture: *Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.* (1 Corinthians 1:7 NIV)

Toy update! Yes, my husband has some new toys. In fact, he has a garage full of new toys. A few months ago, we undertook the killer project of stripping and refinishing our kitchen cabinets. From all that wonderful fun we had, my husband got the idea he wanted to do some woodworking. So he haunted Sears, the pawn shops, and private sales until he accumulated all manner of woodworking tools. He has a work bench, a table saw, a band saw, a scroll saw, a belt sander, a disc sander, a vice, and a variety of hand tolls; and he's absolutely thrilled with them all. Mind you, he hasn't used them to build a single useful item; but, boy! has he ever got some neat toys!

Christians are graced with multiple spiritual gifts; we have within us abilities and possibilities beyond our wildest imaginings. The potential is thrilling and intriguing; we line our treasures up in our hearts and inspect them. We hold them up to examine them in the light of others' gifts to see how they compare. We toy and tinker and talk and plot; but in the end, we mostly fail to use them to produce spiritual fruit. but, boy! have we ever got a lot of neat gifts!

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Religion roundup

NEW YORK (AP) – The Interfaith Center for Corporate Responsibility says religious investors have filed shareholder resolutions with 56 corporations calling for improved environmental policies.

"This is the largest number of environmental resolutions ever filed," says Tim Smith, the center's director. "It targets a diverse set of industries."

Many of the resolutions ask companies to subscribe to the "Valdez Principles," a corporate code of conduct drawn up by environmentalists after the Valdez oil spill in Alaska in March 1989.

Smith said other resolutions ask Ford and General Motors to report on fuel efficiency in cars and Du Pont and Eastman Kodak to end their use of ozone-destroying chemicals.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) – Southern Baptist membership has topped 15 million, new statistics show. That largest of Protestant denominations last year increased 130,876 to a total of 15,044,413.

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) – A Russian version of the film, "Jesus," is playing to packed theaters in the Soviet Union, says the project's sponsor, Campus Crusade for Christ. Its goal is to show the film in at least 1,000 Soviet theaters by year's end.

The film, a documentary-drama based on the Gospel of Luke, was produced by the Genesis Project, and has since been translated into 176 languages and seen by some 425 million people in 177 countries, officials said.

NEW YORK (AP) – Lutheran World Relief has made a grant of $75,000 to aid victims of the Gulf War. The aid is being distributed through the Middle East Council of Churches.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) – The Episcopal Divinity School has decided it will not have an "official presence" at this summer's convention of the Episcopal Church in Phoenix, Ariz., because Arizona voters last year rejected a state holiday honoring the late civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

Religion

National survey sharpens picture of a religious nation

By HOWARD GOLDBERG
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) – New religions and immigration from the Far East and Arab world have barely dented the overwhelmingly Christian composition of the U.S. population, a 13-month survey of 113,000 adults has found.

Study director Barry Kosmin of the City University of New York Graduate School called the findings the most extensive religious profile available of 20th century America.

The survey found 86.5 percent of Americans identified with Christian denominations, including 26 percent Roman Catholic and 60 percent Protestant.

Only 2 percent refused to reveal their religious identification, and only 7.5 percent said they had no religion.

Richard John Neuhaus, editor in chief of First Things, a monthly journal on religion and public life, said it should come as no surprise that Americans are so pervasively religious.

Neuhaus said the one surprise for him in reading about the survey was the researcher's conclusion, after accounting for language barriers in the poll, that Muslims represent 0.5 percent of the U.S. population, or 1.4 million Americans.

"I think over the last five years, most of us in this business have used the figure of 3 million plus," Neuhaus said Wednesday.

The finding indicates that half of Arab-Americans either have Christian origins or converted in America.

About 40 percent of the Muslims are black, but only 2 percent of the blacks surveyed are Muslim.

The survey also found that most Asian-Americans are not Muslims, Buddhists or Hindus, but Christians. And most of those who say they are of Irish ancestry are Protestants, not Catholics.

"Another surprise was the way the so-called new religions were much smaller than we anticipated," said professor Seymour Lachman, CUNY dean for community development.

The researchers estimated that 20,000 adults describe themselves as adhering to the New Age spiritual movement, which combines mysticism, psychology and holistic healing.

"It's something that's just swirling through the culture," Neuhaus said. While such movements may get a lot of media attention and generate high book sales, they include "a lot of people in the Christian category that flirt with New Age and other esoterica," he said.

Kosim said his estimates should not be expected to match figures given out by denominations, which use varying standards for counting.

"This is not religious affiliation. These are people's perceptions of what they are, Kosmin said. "If I want to call myself a duck, I'm a duck even though I can't swim and haven't got feathers."

The U.S. Census does not ask about religion. Nationwide polls often do, but their samples of 1,000 or 2,000 people include too few Muslims, Hindus and other minorities to make reliable conclusions about them.

The City University researchers had ICR Survey Research Group of Media, Pa., provide information from standard poll questions used in 2,000 telephone interviews a week with a random cross-section of adults in the 48 contiguous states. Much of the survey was conducted last year, and the results were released this month.

Sampling error should not cause overall results to vary from what all Americans would say by more than a fraction of a percentage point. The margin is larger for smaller samples. And some small groups might be understated because members are reluctant to identify themselves.

The researchers also adjusted estimates for groups such as Buddhists that include people who don't speak English or Spanish.

Jews, at 2 percent, made up the largest non-Christian group, with more than 3 million adult adherents. Other adult estimates were 46 million Roman Catholics, 34 million Baptists, 14 million Methodists, 9 million Lutherans, 5 million Presbyterians, 3 million Pentecostals, and 3 million Episcopalians.

The two most average states by religion are Florida and Missouri, Kosmin said.

Kosmin said religious ties cut across divisions of race, ethnicity, class and region, affirming the founding fathers' notion that religion could flouish without being established by the state.

"We have this tremendous religious diversity in a free society," he said.

Soviet religious rights seen as 'accomplished,' but tasks still remain

By GEORGE W. CORNELL
AP Religion Writer

NEW YORK (AP) – Pondering the changes he has seen in the last 25 years of nudging Soviet officials to ease up on religion, the roving clergyman-diplomat mused: "In one respect, mission accomplished."

That is the outcome in regard to restored religious liberties in the Soviet Union, said Rabbi Arthur Schneier, a man who long has pushed for that objective.

"Religion is now accepted as an integral part of Soviet life," he said in an interview. "Its people have become role models."

Schneier, president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, a U.S. interfaith organization working for religious freedom around the world, added, "What's so exciting is the expanding interest and identification with faith communities."

However, he said connected difficulties remain as do obstacles to faith in other lands, so the work goes on in different ways.

He said the Soviet Union, which for 70 years sought to stamp out religion through persecution, repression and official insistence on atheism, has undergone a complete pro-religious turnabout.

He said this affirms a guiding conviction: "Sooner or later, tyrants are doomed."That's "the record of history" from ancient biblical times to the present, he added, but it takes never-ending vigilance and struggle.

"When we first started, I never thought that what has been accomplished could happen in a lifetime," he said. "Religion is no longer considered the enemy of the state but its ally."

In fact, he said the Soviet government is considering introducing religion classes into state schools, which already has happened in the former satellite countries of Poland, Hungary, Romania and Czechoslovakia.

"It's something not accepted in the United States," he remarked.

Schneier, 61, a gracious, warmly engaging man with sparse, gray hair capped at the back with a small, black yarmulke, has become over a quarter century a familiar figure in top circles of foreign governments.

Remarked Soviet Foreign Minister Alexander Bessmertnykh at a dinner, "We have come to know him well in Mosocw."

Since 1966, as head of the organization of U.S. Roman Catholic, Protestant, Eastern Orthodox and Jewish leaders promoting religious freedom, the globe-trotting rabbi has roamed areas of religious difficulties.

He has been in the Soviet Union 27 times, meeting with high Soviet officials, three times with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, and also with officials in China, Argentina, El Salvador, Cuba, Northern Ireland and elsewhere.

He has conferred privately with the late Pope Paul VI, twice with the current John Paul II. Usually on missions into the trouble zones, he heads mixed delegations of bishops and other clerics.

Schneier, who also has led Manhattan's Park East Synagogue since 1962, said that at first "we just went knocking on doors" and only gradually developed contacts at upper levels.

On several matters even before the discrediting of communism, the group was able to negotiate numerous concessions to religion and return of various properties. Discussions also had begun on revising religion-constricting laws.

That "turning point" finally came only last year, he said, legalizing long-banned charitable and educational religious activities that already had begun to spread unchecked even before the new law safeguarded such rights.

Schneier, as a boy in his native Vienna, Austria, saw the Nazis round up Jews for export to death camps, including his grandparents. Escaping to Budapest, his family lived in hiding until liberated by Soviet troops in 1945, immigrating afterward to the United States.

He said the Soviet government has not only extended full religious liberty and eliminated past official discrimination against believers, but actively seeks to enlist religious commitment as a bond of national unity.

He noted that Gorbachev recently called a meeting with Soviet religious leaders, seeing the "inherent strength of religious communities as a kind of moral cement to keep the nation together" in a time of ecomomic-political turmoil.

Schneier said the renewed religious vigor is "evidenced by a tremendous increase in attendance at churches, mosques and synagogues. Millions of Soviet citizens are searching for a new anchor."

In that atmosphere, "our focus has changed," he said. "Now we focus on trying to give religious communities a sense of the American pluralistic approach – to live and let live."

He said freedom has unleashed pockets of ethnic discord, sectarianism and anti-Semitic "scapegoating," and the freshly unfettered religious communities are ill-equipped to cope with it.

To reinforce their confidence and tolerance, he urges a "mini-Marshall plan" by which American religious forces provide religious training, materials, textbooks and other aid to strengthen Soviet counterparts.

"Religion is truly seeking to find its place," he said"It's exploring, testing the climate, fluid and very dynamic. But after 70 years, it can't happen overnight. They desperately need a mini-Marshall plan to help rebuild the religious infrastructure."

Traveling musical group to perform here

Glowing Heart, a traveling musical ensemble from Dallas Baptist University, will perform in concert at Central Baptist Church at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 16.

The group includes 10 singers, two keyboard players, and a sign language interpreter for the deaf.

Directed by Henry Loftin, Glowing Heart provides a music ministry/outreach for Dallas Baptist University.

The group has performed throughout Texas and in several states. Glowing Heart also traveled to Belize, the only English-speaking country in Central America, for an eight-day Christian concert tour with thousands attend. DBU has an ongoing missions involvement in Belize.

The public is cordially invited to attend the free concert.

GLOWING HEART

The King Sisters to sing at Open Door Church

The King Sisters of Lubbock will be singing at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Open Door Church of God in Christ, 404 Oklahoma.

Rev. Hubert Kelly, minister, said the public is invited to attend the concert of Christian music.

The program is sponsored by Judy Ellison.

Sacred Heart sets table for annual Mexican dinner

Parishioners of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in White Deer are to celebrate their annual Mexican Dinner on Sunday, April 14, at the White Deer Parish Hall.

Spicy Mexican entrees will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

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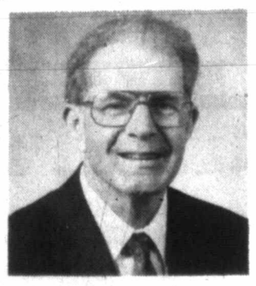

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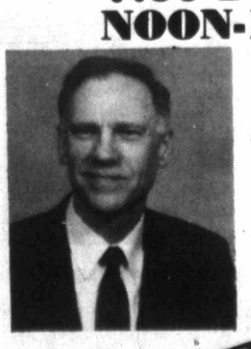

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Cheney recommends closing 31 major U.S. military bases

By DONNA CASSATA
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) – Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is recommending the closure of 31 major domestic military bases and 12 minor installations as well as the realignment of 28 others, according to documents obtained today by The Associated Press.

"By 1995, the number of people in the U.S. military will be about one-fourth smaller than it is today. Smaller forces need fewer bases. It's as simple as that," Cheney said in a statement.

The estimated cost of closing the facilities is $5.7 billion from fiscal 1992 to fiscal 1997 while the savings will amount to about $6.5 billion. That means a net gain of $850 million, the Pentagon said.

Among the major Army facilities on the list to be closed are Fort McClellan in Anniston, Ala.: Fort Ord in Seaside, Calif.; Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, Ind.; Fort Devens in Ayer, Mass., and Fort Dix in Wrightstown, N.J.

Other Army bases on the closure list are Fort Chaffee in Arkansas and the Sacramento Army Depot in California. The Pentagon said all of Fort Chaffee will be turned over to the Army Reserve.

Parts of Forts Devens and Dix will be transferred to the Army Reserve, and part of Fort McClellan will be used by the Alabama National Guard.

The nine Navy bases slated for closure are the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard in Pennsylvania; Naval Station Long Beach in California; Hunters Point Annex of Naval Station Treasure Island in San Francisco, Calif.; Naval Air Station Moffett Field in Sunnyvale, Calif.; the Naval Training Center in Orlando, Fla.; the Naval Station in Philadelphia; the Naval Air Station Chase Field in Beeville, Texas; Naval Station Puget Sound in Seattle; and the Whidbey Island Air Station in Oak Harbor, Wash.

Air Force bases for closure include Eaker Air Force Base in Blytheville, Ark.; Lowry Air Force Base in Denver, Colo.; Grissom Air Force Base in Peru, Ind.; and Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda, Mich.

The other Air Force bases on the list are Williams Air Force Base in Chandler, Ariz.; Castle Air Force Base in Merced, Calif.; Moody Air Force Base in Valdosta, Ga.; England Air Force Base in Alexandria, La.; Loring Air Force Base in Limestone, Maine; Richards-Gebaur Air Reserve Station in Kansas City, Mo.; Rickenbacker Air Guard Base in Columbus, Ohio; Myrtle Beach Air Force Base in South Carolina; Bergstrom Air Force Base in Austin, Texas; and Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth, Texas.

The lone Marine Corps facility slated for closure is the Air Station Tustin in El Toro, Calif.

"The recommendations I'm making today are based on a review by each of the service secretaries of their basing requirements, in light of the planned reductions in the force and the selection criteria under the law. This list is the result of those reviews and reflects their proposals," Cheney said.

The Pentagon chief's list now goes to an eight-member, independent commission, which can either accept or amend the recommendations before forwarding it on to President Bush on July 1.

The president has until July 15 to decide on whether to accept the list or disapprove it in its entirety before sending it to Congress for approval.

In the last round of base closures in 1989, Congress approved the shutdown of 86 domestic installations.

As the announcement neared, members of Congress flocked to the Pentagon to tell Cheney about the impact a base closing would have on their local districts and to plead for exemptions.

Cheney "wants to be open ... to what members of Congress have to say about it .. but if he honored every request from every member of Congress, there wouldn't be any bases he would recommend closing, because nobody wants bases closed in their district," said Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams.

Congressional sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said a trip to the Pentagon by Alabama's Democratic senators, Howell Heflin and Richard Shelby, failed to keep Fort McClellan off the list.

While some on Capitol Hill anxiously awaited a telephone call with the bad news, two California congressmen held a pre-emptive news conference Thursday on reports that the Sacramento Army Depot was on the list and McClellan Air Force Base was not.

"I first want to assure the people in Sacramento County and northern California that if it is on the list, I intend to make sure that the process used by the secretary's office is a deliberative process," said Democratic Rep. Robert Matsui, who is running for his state's Senate seat.

Rep. Vic Fazio, D-Calif., warned Cheney against a list that targets facilities in Democratic districts.

No action was taken last year on Cheney's proposed list of more than 72 domestic bases to be closed or reduced in size after Democrats criticized the recommendations as too partisan.

Fazio, who is chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said the base-closing commission that will review and possibly change the list was put in place "to make sure that the decisions that come out of the Pentagon have no political taint to them."

"I am not here to claim they will have. We don't know the full composition of the list," Fazio told reporters. "But last time a list came forward it was overwhelmingly biased" against Democratic districts. "I hope that won't be the case tomorrow."

While the Pentagon may close overseas sites on its own, Cheney must submit his recommendations for closures or scaling back bases at home to the independent, eight-member commission.

The panel, headed by former Rep. James Courter, R-N.J., must either approve or amend Cheney's list before sending it on to President Bush and Congress on July 1.

The president has until July 15 to approve or disapprove the commission's report. If approved, Congress has 45 days to accept or reject the package in its entirety.

Former child actor faces robbery, beating charges

PHOENIX (AP) — Disc jockey and former child actor Danny Bonaduce was ordered to stand trial on charges of beating and robbing a transvestite prostitute and of trying to elude police.

Maricopa County Superior Court Commissioner Stephen Ventre on Thursday ordered Bonaduce, 31, to stand trial July 15 on charges of assault, robbery and unlawful flight.

Bonaduce, who played Danny Partridge on *The Partridge Family* television series in the 1970s, has been on unpaid leave from radio station KKFR-FM since the March 31 incident.

Authorities say Bonaduce paid the prostitute $20 to perform a sex act, then kicked the man in the face and took the money back when he discovered the prostitute was man.

Police said Bonaduce led them on a car chase to his house when they tried to arrest him.

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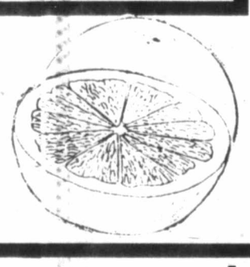

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The oil tanker AGIP Abruzzo was still blazing Friday after the Wednesday night collision with the ferry Moby Prince.

Officials ponder cause of ferry disaster in Italy

By KEN SHULMAN
Associated Press Writer

LEGHORN, Italy (AP) – A crew distracted by a soccer game on TV? A radar system left off? Was the fog really that thick?

As night fell Thursday and with it nearly all hope to find alive any of the 139 people missing from the ferry Moby Prince, the question changed from "Can anyone have survived?" to "Why did they die?"

Human error probably caused the ferry to crash into an oil tanker and explode into flames Wednesday night, a government minister said Thursday as he announced an inquest into the accident.

By the time rescue efforts were halted at dusk on Thursday, only one survivor was rescued from the ferry and 40 bodies had been recovered. The tanker crew survived.

Officials could only speculate on exactly what led the 6,187-ton Moby Prince to plow into the tanker anchored just beyond this busy port on Italy's northwest coast.

Some pointed to the testimony of the only survivor from the ferry that he and other crew members were glued to a televised soccer game. Others said there had been a thick fog – in the harbor area.

According to a member of the Leghorn port control room, which monitors ship traffic in the harbor, the Moby Prince didn't even send out a distress signal.

"It was a tragic human error," Italian Merchant Marine Minister Carlo Vizzini said Thursday as he announced the inquest into what he called an otherwise "inexplicable" disaster.

The collision occurred as the Moby Prince ferry was traveling, about 2 1/2 miles off Leghorn, toward Olbia, Sardinia.

After the Moby Prince rammed the tanker AGIP Abruzzo, crude oil poured out, creating a sea of flames that devoured the ferry. The 28-man crew of the tanker jumped into lifeboats and survived, but only one person from the ferry, a 23-year-old cabin attendant, was found alive.

The ferry had carried 72 passengers and a crew of 68. All but one person, an Austrian, were Italian.

The surviving ferry attendant, Alessio Bertand, said from his hospital room that he and a couple of the crew were below deck in a small room watching a soccer match between Milan and Lisbon when they were jolted by the collision.

Many passengers were watching the same game on a television in the lounge. Fifteen minutes later, Bertand was fighting to breathe and watching his buddies die. He decided to hang over the side of the ship from a rail. The coast guard rescued him two hours later.

Speculation on the cause of the accident ranged from rudder damage to crew negligence. "There was definitely a human mistake here," said Antonio Spiguzza, a ship inspector at Leghorn.

Spiguzza was among several in Leghorn who believed that the ferry's bridge was unmanned at the time of the collision because crew were likely watching Italy's favorite sport.

"Perhaps the captain didn't follow regulations and didn't test the rudder or alarm systems while leaving port. Or perhaps the officer on watch just wasn't paying attention," Spiguzza said.

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Man sues Merv Griffin, claims promise to support him broken

By LINDA DEUTSCH
Associated Press Writer

Merv Griffin

LOS ANGELES (AP) – A man who worked for Merv Griffin and claims they were lovers sued Griffin for half the profits from *Wheel of Fortune* and other businesses, claiming the game-show tycoon broke a promise to support him.

Griffin called the lawsuit "a shameless attempt to extort money from me."

Brent Plott, 39, of Miami said he suffered emotional distress and illness when their alleged relationship ended. Plott filed a breach of contract lawsuit Thursday contending Griffin promised to support him for life.

The lawsuit seeks more than $400,000, said Miami attorney Ellis Rubin.

"I am outraged that a financially troubled former employee would resort to such an action," Griffin said in a statement.

Plott maintains he was Griffin's companion, confidant, secretary, driver and personal adviser. He claimed to have managed many of Griffin's business deals, including development of the popular television game show.

Griffin described Plott as a former bodyguard and horse trainer who was paid $250 a week and lived in one of two apartments at Griffin's former Los Angeles house. He said Plott left his payroll six or seven years ago.

"Now he claims to have given me financial advice concerning the 1986 sale of *Jeopardy* and *Wheel of Fortune*," said Griffin. "His charges are ridiculous and untrue."

Plott told NBC on Thursday that he and Griffin were lovers for four years until he moved out of Griffin's house in 1986.

"We lived together, we shared the same bed, the same house, the same TV set," Plott said, adding that Griffin once proposed marrying him.

He added that Griffin's public romance with actress Eva Gabor was a cover. "Wherever we were, Eva was," he said.

Plott also told NBC he chose Vanna White to turn the letters on *Wheel of Fortune*.

The lawsuit alleged that Griffin began a campaign in 1979 to have Plott give up his career, move in with him "and enter into a cohabitation arrangement ... on a full-time basis."

In exchange, it said, "Griffin promised that he would provide for all of the plaintiff's financial support and maintenance for the rest of the plaintiff's life."

In December 1981, according to the lawsuit, Plott took Griffin up on the offer and moved in with him.

But in late 1990 Griffin refused to pay Plott any more money, the lawsuit stated.

Plott suffered emotional distress and illness "by reason of the wrongful and malicious acts of the defendant Merv Griffin," according to the lawsuit.

Griffin, a former singer, became a well-known face to the American public when he hosted television's *The Merv Griffin Show*. It appeared in various forms in syndication and on network television from 1962 until 1986.

Byelorussian strike leaders, government begin talks

By BRIAN FRIEDMAN
Associated Press Writer

MINSK, U.S.S.R. (AP) – Strike leaders today began negotiations with the Byelorussian government, warning that a republic-wide general strike would be called if worker grievances are not resolved within 10 days.

The talks came one day after strike leaders ended a 36-hour work stoppage in exchange for a government promise to negotiate.

"If the negotiations fail, a general, political strike is to be called throughout the republic on April 23," Alexander Galkevich, chief of the strike committee's news service, told the independent Interfax news agency.

He said the strike would resume immediately if workers were prosecuted for participating in the protest.

Workers are demanding the resignation of Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev and other national and republic leaders as well as salary increases commensurate with sharp price increases instituted nationwide on April 2.

By walking out Wednesday, the workers defied Gorbachev's appeal for a moratorium on strikes. But suspension of the strike gave Gorbachev only a slight respite.

The Soviet president is also faced with 300,000 striking coal miners who have all but dropped their economic demands to stress that they want his resignation foremost. Miners nationwide have said they want the national government replaced by leaders of the 15 republics.

The walkout continued today, the official Tass news agency reported.

Strikes at 36 mines in the most productive Soviet coal field, the Donetsk Basin in the Ukraine, have cut badly needed shipments of coke to steel plants, Tass said.

Forty-six out of 76 mines in the second largest coal field, the Kuznetsk Basin of Western Siberia, remained on strike, forcing authorities to postpone commission of new blast furnace in the city of Kemerova, it said.

Metal workers in Chelyabinsk declared their support for the economic demands of the miners, but said "metallurgical enterprises were about to be brought to a standstill by a shortage of coking and power-generating coal," Tass reported.

At a meeting Thursday, miners and metalworkers in Chelyabinsk "addressed a package of demands to the government," it said. "The Urals miners and metal workers reserve the right to take actions they see fit, up to and including strikes, if these demands are not considered before April 20."

The strike reached the shores of the Pacific Ocean Thursday, the independent news agency Postfactum reported. About 1,300 miners in the Soviet Pacific island of Sakhalin voted to join striking miners in the Ukraine, Siberia, Central Asia and the Ural Mountains, it said.

Officials have predicted years of economic damage if the coal strikes don't end.

"We know how things may end," regional strike leader Pytor Popov told Interfax. "It's a pity the president doesn't realize this."

Thursday's walkout in Minsk hit only half as many plants as it did the day before, when strike officials said about 200,000 workers at 64 factories in the industrial city stayed away from work.

The Byelorussian government had no public reaction to its agreement to negotiate with the strike committee, although republic leaders have emphasized that they can only talk about demands within their jurisdiction.

Tere signs that the negotiations would be far from easy. The strikers' demand for the resignation of Gorbachev and other national leaders was clearly beyond what republic officials can deliver.

In addition, Byelorussia's KGB chief Eduard Sherkovsky, said on local radio Thursday that he would defend the rights of the elected Communist-led government whose downfall the strikers are seeking.

In a television report, First Deputy Prime Minister Vladimir Myasnikovich said strike leaders "don't give any constructive proposals. They criticize the Soviet president, they criticize (Prime Minister Valentin) Pavlov, but what can they propose? Nothing!"

Astronauts say mission proves need for people in space

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) – Atlantis' astronauts, arriving home a day before the shuttle program's 10th anniversary, say their spacewalking repair job on an observatory shows the need to send people – not just machines – into space.

After staying in space an extra day because of high winds at the shuttle's desert landing site, Atlantis glided to an early morning touchdown Thursday at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

"It was an eminently successful mission," P.J. Weitz, deputy director of the Johnson Space Center, said Thursday at Edwards. "We had the opportunity to demonstrate the value of manned missions."

"The last 10 years ... laid the foundation and springboard to go on in expanding our frontiers outward," Weitz said.

Later in the day, when the crew returned to Houston, astronaut Jerry Ross said the spacewalks showed that manned missions are necessary to fix problems and conduct research.

Fellow astronaut Jay Apt agreed, saying that only people can "cope with the unexpected and go out and do the things that no machine can do."

Ross and Apt made the first U.S. spacewalk in more than five years on Sunday to conduct emergency repairs on the $617 million Gamma Ray Observatory.

The Atlantis crew was about to release the 17-ton observatory into orbit 280 miles above Earth when its antenna failed to respond to commands from the ground to move into position.

Ross shook it loose in what was the first successful unscheduled repair conducted in space.

Some space-program critics have argued that the United States, for reasons of safety and reliability, should use rockets to put satellites into orbit.

Ross and Apt suited up again on Monday and went on a planned six-hour spacewalk to test tools and equipment that could be used to build a proposed space station.

Ross is now the champion shuttle spacewalker with 23 hours and nine minutes. He and astronaut Sherwood Spring had performed the last spacewalks in 1985.

Also aboard were commander Steven Nagel, pilot Ken Cameron and mission specialist Linda Godwin, who controlled the robot arm that pitched the observatory into space.

The mission's primary goal was to launch the observatory, which will probe the galaxy for gamma rays, high-energy radiation emitted from the hottest, most violent objects in the universe.

The observatory, which will circle Earth for more than two years, is expected to begin operation in about a month.

Atlantis was scheduled to return home Wednesday, but high winds at Edwards forced the shuttle to stay aloft the extra day. The mission began with liftoff a week ago today from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

Weitz said the crew and orbiter appeared in excellent condition, with no apparent damage to the shuttle's new carbon brakes and only minimal damage to its heat-shield tiles.

Discovery is to fly next on an eight-day flight scheduled for liftoff April 23. The crew will conduct tests aimed at development of the so-called Star Wars defense system.

Los Angeles police union ready to work for recall of Mayor Tom Bradley

LOS ANGELES (AP) – The leader of the police union said its members are ready to work on a recall campaign against Mayor Tom Bradley because the mayor called for the police chief to resign over the police beating of a motorist.

The mayor is "a hindrance to the city and to the Police Department," Lt. George Aliano, president of the 8,100-member Los Angeles Police Protective League, said Thursday.

Also Thursday, a second passenger riding with Rodney King the night he was thrashed during a traffic stop sued the city and Police Department. Freddie George Helms says he, too, was beaten and kicked by police.

And Arthur A. Fletcher, chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, called on Police Chief Daryl Gates to step down.

Police in the 8,300-member department have stood by Gates in the face of efforts to oust him. Critics blame Gates' management for the March 3 incident that was recorded on a bystander's video camera and broadcast nationally.

After meeting with union rank and file, Aliano said police have lost confidence in the mayor and are outraged at his call for Gates' resignation.

The union, which has a $1.5 million war chest, can contribute its "name ... for endorsements, thousands of volunteers, money and the ability to hire experts" for a recall drive, Aliano said.

The recall drive is being organized by Marvin Feldman, a political activist who worked on the successful campaign to oust state Supreme Court Chief Justice Rose Elizabeth Bird in 1986.

Meanwhile, Helms filed a federal civil rights lawsuit seeking unspecified damages.

He says police handcuffed and beat and kicked him as he lay face down on the ground.

The lawsuit names the city, Bradley, Gates, officers of the California Highway Patrol and city school district, and 21 city police officers, including four who have pleaded innocent to assault charges in the King attack.

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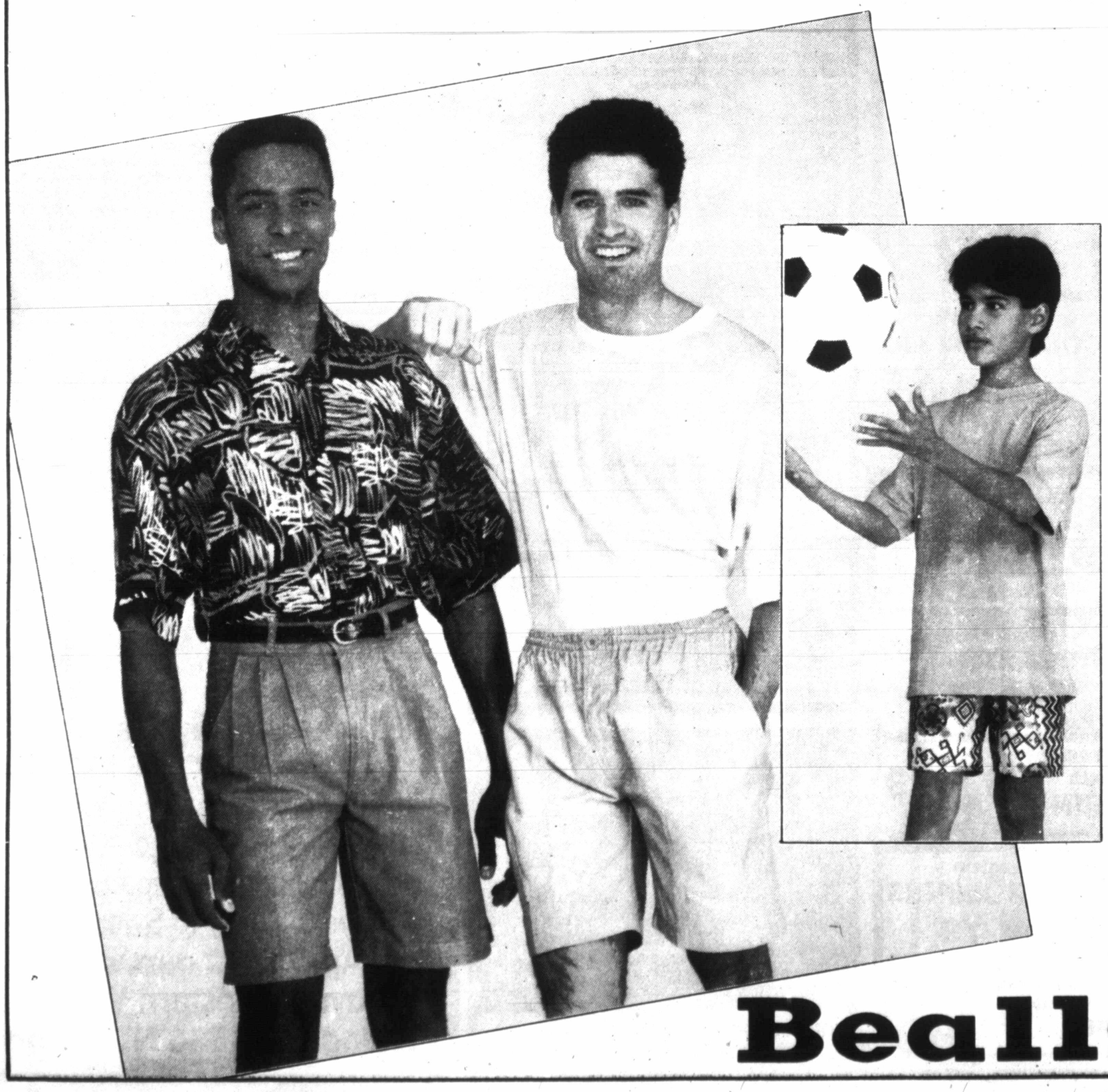

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Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Short leash may end son's long hours at girl's house

DEAR ABBY: What do you think of parents who let a 17-year-old boy hang around their house all day and half the night, seven days a week? The boy is our son. "Scotty" has been going steady with a sexy little 16-year-old girl for nearly a year, and he practically lives at her house.

He says her folks have never asked him to go home, so he just stays. I say they should kick him out at midnight. We are so afraid that all that time together will lead to intimacy they can't handle. Any suggestions?

SCOTTY'S PARENTS

DEAR PARENTS: Don't expect the girl's parents to discipline your son. That's *your* job. Set some rules and a curfew for Scotty and see that he obeys them. In the meantime, Scotty's dad should have a man-to-man talk with him. An ounce of prevention is worth an eight-pound mistake.

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DEAR ABBY: My aunt is a sweet lady who visits me frequently throughout the year. I love having her, but I do not love having her dog, which she absolutely refuses to leave behind in a kennel or with a friend.

I tolerate picking up the dog deposits in my yard, watching him eat from my dishes, begging at the table while we eat and sleeping on the bedspread in the guest room. But what irritates me more than anything else is the cleanup job I have to do after my aunt and her dog go home.

There is dog hair all over my carpet and every piece of furniture, and even at the bottom of my draperies. This dog also scratches himself constantly, so his dry skin leaves a pungent odor throughout the house. I have to use carpet deodorizer and air freshener and I'm vacuuming constantly. I'm beginning to dread these visits from my aunt because I feel such resentment toward that miserable mutt!

I have absolutely no nerve when it comes to simply asking her to leave the dog at home, so I guess I'm stuck with the situation. However, this may alert dog owners never to assume that your dogs are welcome in other people's homes. Leave them with friends, professional dog-sitters or at a reputable kennel.

NO NERVE

DEAR NO NERVE: People with no nerve can expect to be imposed upon frequently. Do not expect your thoughtless aunt to read this and stop bringing her "miserable mutt" to visit you. She will either not recognize herself, or she doesn't give a hoot about how unwelcome her dog is. And by the way, don't blame the dog if his master doesn't care enough about him to take him to the vet's periodically to make sure his skin is not dry. Some people do not deserve pets, and your aunt is one of them.

Beta Beta Phi sisters benefit

Beta Beta Phi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi is selling chances on $100 in groceries from Homeland. Members will be at Homeland on Saturday, April 13, from 10-4 p.m. The drawing is scheduled for Thursday, April 18.

A percentage of the proceeds will go to Special Olympian, Liberty Bloxom, for his July trip to the International Special Olympics, in Minneapolis, Minn.

PMS students advance to second round competition

Pampa Middle School students received news of competition results in the state geography bee and in the Academic Enterprises computer competition.

Richard Williams competed in the geography bee on the Texas Christian University campus. He was one of 100 contestants. The contest began in January with competitions at schools around the state. Winners of those bees took a written test supplied and graded by the National Geographic Society. Texas' state winner was John Hood of Garland.

In the computer competition the Pampa Middle School team had advanced to the second round of competition. They ranked 107 in a field of 195 competitors. Students competing were Justin Allison, Andrew Berzanskis, Megan Hill, Brian Mann, Katie McKandles, Josh Musgrave, Julie Noles, Jeremy Nolte, Edith Osborne, Debra Smith, Hugh Teng, and Jason Weatherbee.

All these students, as well as Richard Williams, have participated in the Gifted and Talented program in the Pampa Independent School District. Teachers who have worked with these students include Kay Crouch, Marcella Diller, and Cay Warner.

Altrusa district director visits

Peggy Sturrock, Altrusa District Nine Director, visited the Altrusa Club of Pampa on Monday, Arpil 8. She represented the district board and district nine governor by making the annual visit to the club.

Sturrock, from Abilene, is manager of the Abilene Women's Club. She has been an Altrusan since 1975. In the Abilene Altrusa Club, she has served as president, treasurer, recording and corresponding secretary, and program coordinator. On the the district nine level, she has served as program coordinator, area III chairman, and currently is director.

She has been elected to serve as the membership committe chairman, Altrusa International, 1991-1993.

In Abilene, she has served, or is serving as past president of the Abilene Women's Club; Better Business Bureau arbitrator; nominating committee chairman for academic board of Hardin-Simmons University; board member and community organizations chairman of Abilene Clean and Proud; board member of Abilene Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and is a member of First Baptist Church.

Panhellenic Association plans forum for April 28

AMARILLO – Amarillo Panhellenic Assn. plans a rush forum at 2 p.m. April 28 at the Children's Learning Center, 1006 S. Jackson.

Young women who are interested in going through sorority rush are invited to attend. Panhellenic members will be on hand to answer questions about rush for all attendees.

Those who have not received a Panhellenic form may do so at the forum. It is important for all young women going through rush to register both with their college of choice as well as their local Panhellenic.

Young women throughout the Panhandle are encouraged to attend. Those who cannot attend and would like a Panhellenic application, need to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the following address: Beverly Buford, 4201 Palacio, Amarillo, 79109.

Club News

The Altrusa Club of Pampa met April 8. President Joyce Williams presided over the monthly business meeting. She advised club members that fifteen Pampa Altrusans attended the area leadership training seminar in Amarillo on April 6. Carolyn Chaney, district nine program coordinator and district nine second vice-governor, directed the LTS seminar for new officers and committee chairwomen. Glyndene Shelton, former district nine governor, gave the Accent, presenting highlights of the International Altrusa convention, planned for July 26-30 in Chicago. Carolyn Chaney and Glyndene Shelton were elected by club members as delegates to the international convention. Joyce Williams and Myrna Orr were elected as alternates. The group approved the plan to decorate a bedroom at Tralee Crisis Center.

Joyce Williams presented the club's donations for the year to the Senior Citizens' Center and Friends of the Library.

Special guest at this meeting was Peggy Sturrock, district nine director, represented the district governor in making the yearly visit to the Pampa club. Sturrock, who is from Abilene, spoke using the them, "Pampa Proud".

Ina Gale Rowell was introduced as a new member. The next meeting will be April 22, in the Starlight room, Coronado Inn.

Las Pampas chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met at the home of Mrs. J. R. Spearman for the April meeting. Mrs. Tom Cantrell opened with the DAR ritual.

The president-general's message to all chapters was read by Mrs. P. R. Britton. It encouraged the members to tell others about DAR service and education projects.

The delegates to the state conference in March gave reports. A recording of a national defense speech presented at the conference by Dr. Richardson Thomas, aeronautical engineer from Texas A&M was played for the membership.

A slide program on America's national parks was given by Mrs. John Skelly.

El Progresso Club met April 9 in the home of Mabel Ford with president Julia Dawkins presiding. Mrs. Don Hickman was a guest.

Ida Perkins led in reading the club collect. Dawkins announced that copies of *Thirteen Days of Glory* will be presented this spring to high ranking students of Texas history.

Maedell Lanehart introduced Mrs. Holly Gray. She displayed several attractive arrangements and explained how she had used driftwood, cattails, fruits, flowers, leaves and other materials to create these arrangements.

The next meeting will be on April 23 in the home of Ida Perkins.

The Top O'Texas Republican Women's Club met March 27 at the Lovett Memorial Library for a prospective membership meeting.

Virginia McDonald served as hostess. Guests were Margaret Dial and Peggy Brady.

A brief business meeting was led by Virginia McDonald, president. A letter from Rob Mosbacher was discussed. He asked for club involvement in "Texans for Term Limitations" in government. Motion carried that for club participate.

Bear Mills, columnist and writer for The Pampa News, was guest speaker. He gave a program on his five week study trip to Paraguay, South America.

The next meeting will be April 24.

The Worthwhile Extension Homemakers Club met in the home of Belle Lee on April 5 with eight members present.

The president, Audrey Steward called the meeting to order by repeating the thought for the day, "Instead of pointing a finger, why not hold out a hand?"

The extension council is conducting a "lunch and learn" session at the library, April 26, noon. For more information call, 669-8033.

Each person brought hand made craft items to show to the group. Each shared instructions for making the item.

The next meeting is planned for April 19, 10 a.m.

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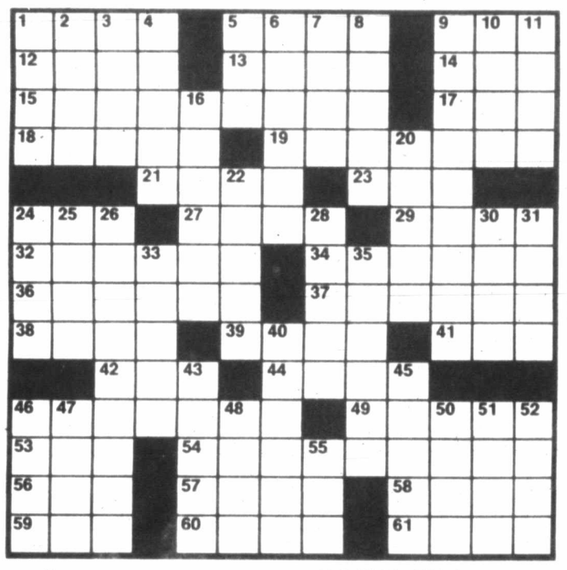

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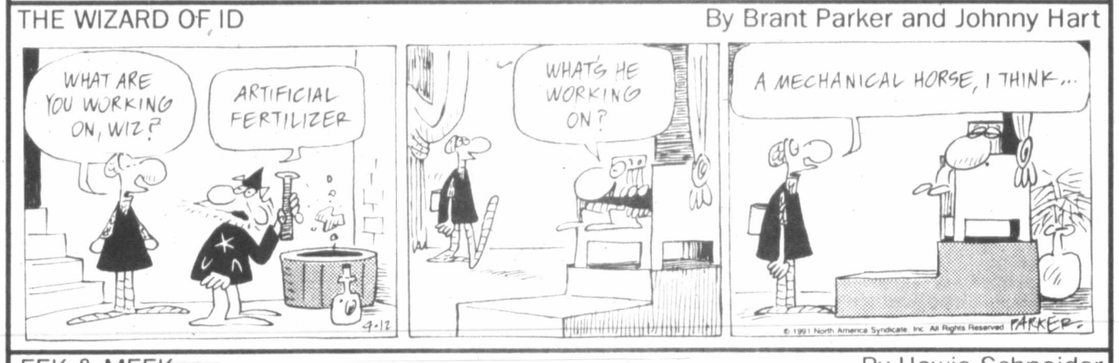

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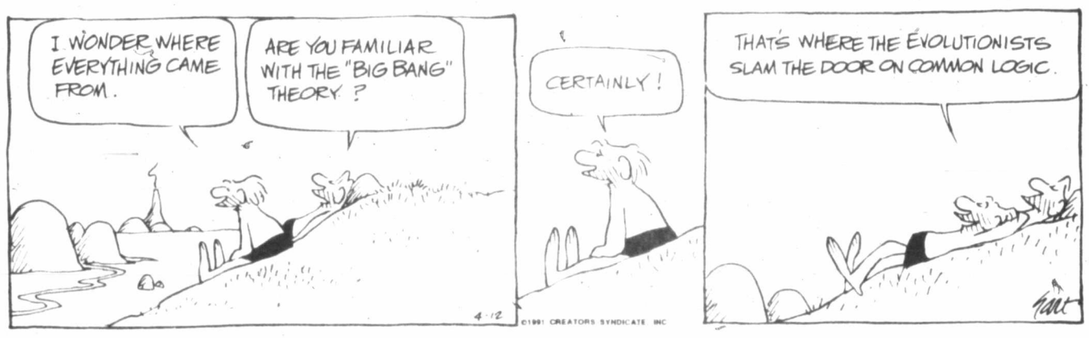


Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

Your possibilities for personal achievement look encouraging for the year ahead. However, you must be careful not to do too much simultaneously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Due to your own miscalculations or misconceptions, success may be denied you today. Don't judge events or situations before you have all the facts at your disposal. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Fight any inclinations you have to feel sorry for yourself today. It's a futile exercise; your companions have their own problems.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Rather than feel obligated to do business with a firm you dealt with previously, use your smarts to go where you can get the best bargain. Sentiment won't save you dollars.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you don't stick to your earlier agreements today, you could cause complications for yourself, as well as for others. Inconsistency could tarnish your image.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In order to be on the safe side today, be cognizant of sensible health habits. Remember; an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Anticipating something for nothing today could make you vulnerable in your dealings with a gifted manipulator. Don't play the role of a puppet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you've been sensing that something is wrong in a valued relationship, try to bring the matter out into the open today. Nothing can be resolved without a frank discussion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Rationalization is your worst enemy today, especially if it encourages you to postpone taking care of matters that need immediate attention.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This may not be one of the better days to manage your own, or another's, personal resources. In either case, you must be very careful.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you expect negative results today, you'll get negative results today. Think positively, taking measures that lead to victory, not defeat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You normally keep things out in the open, but today you may resort to subterfuge. Since this isn't your style, it could make you very uncomfortable.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you are going to do something for a friend today, do it out of the kindness of your heart, not in the hope of being rewarded in large measure.

MARVIN — By Tom Armstrong

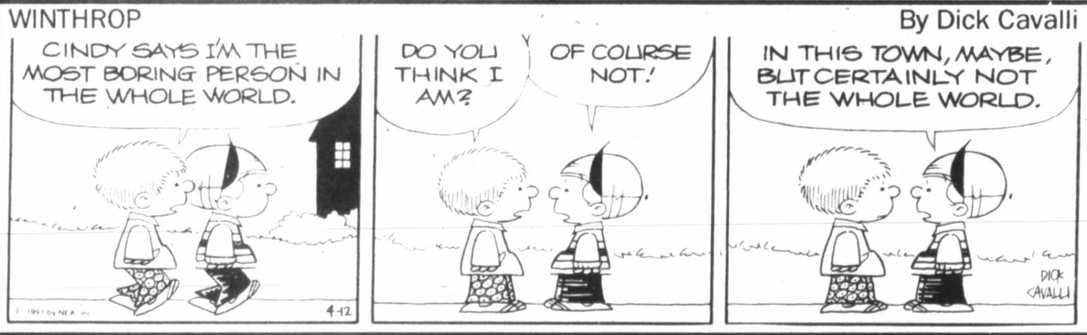
MARMADUKE — By Brad Anderson

"All the birds come here 'cause it's the safest feeder in town!"

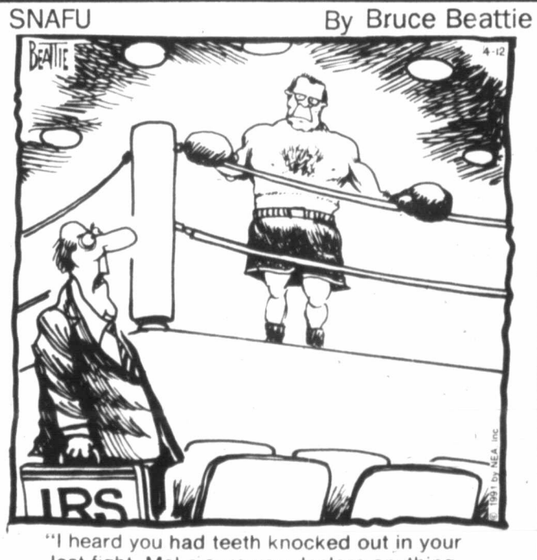
KIT N' CARLYLE — By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP — By Dave Graue

WINTHROP — By Dick Cavalli

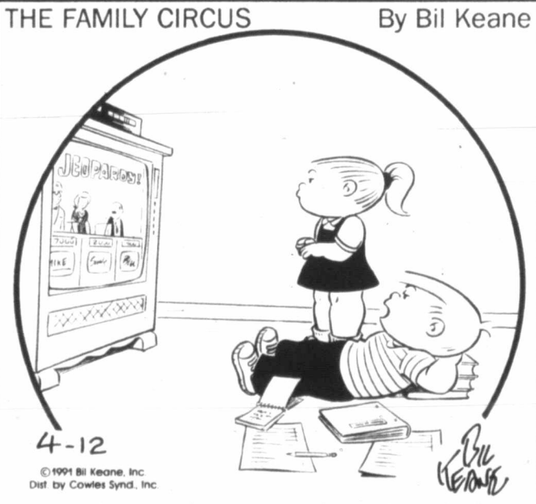


SNAFU — By Bruce Beattie



"I heard you had teeth knocked out in your last fight. Make sure you declare anything the tooth fairy leaves."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS — By Bil Keane



"Why can't our teachers be like Alex Trebek and give us all the answers?"

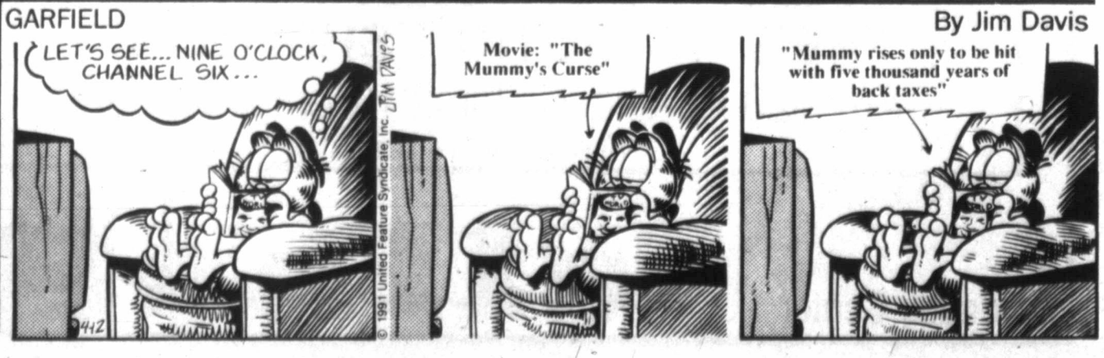
CALVIN AND HOBBES — By Bill Watterson

THE BORN LOSER — By Art and Chip Sansom

FRANK AND ERNEST — By Bob Thaves

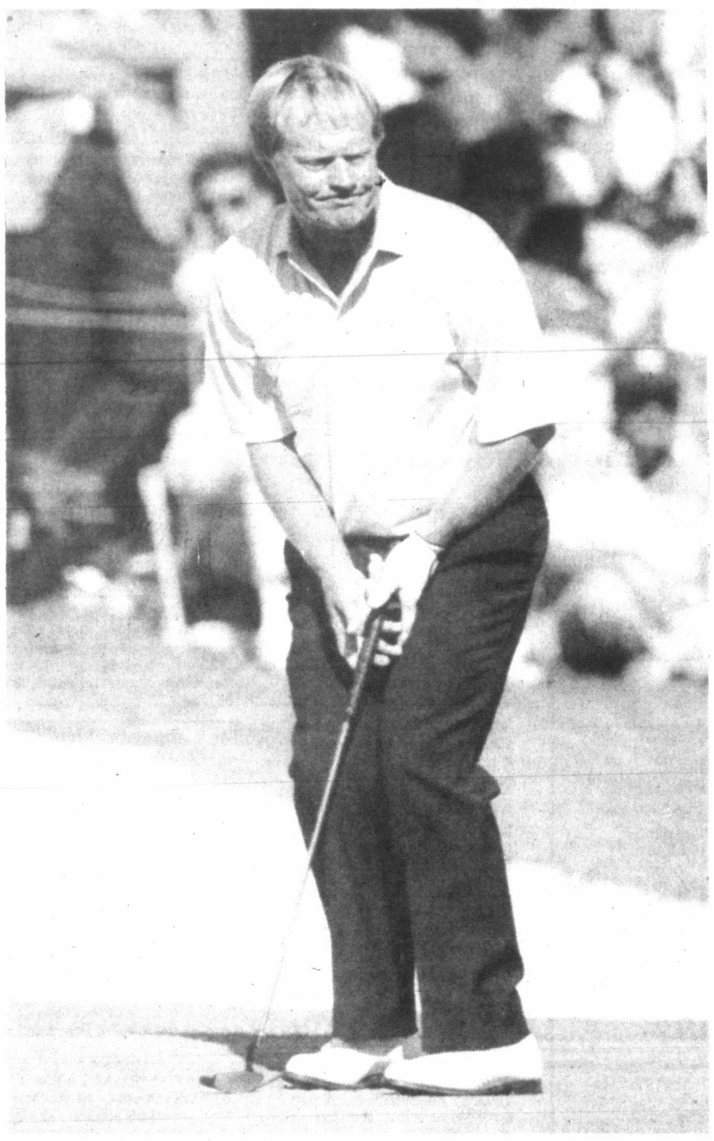
PEANUTS — By Charles M. Schulz

GARFIELD — By Jim Davis



Sports

Nicklaus scrambles to opening round 68



(AP Laserphoto)

Jack Nicklaus grimaces as he misses a short birdie putt on No. 16 Thursday.

Masters golf

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Frustrated Nick Faldo had to watch an amateur hit shots he wished he could in an uncertain start to his quest for an unprecented third consecutive Masters title.

Then came six-time champion Jack Nicklaus with his best opening round in the Masters since 1965 — enough to give any history-seeker pause.

U.S. Amateur champion Phil Mickelson, who beat Faldo 69 to 72, and 29 other players had a better score than the defending champion under perfect conditions at Augusta National Golf Club in the opening round of the 55th Masters. It was enough to make Faldo snippy and brusque.

After trying to rediscover his putting stroke on the practice putting green, he would only say, "I played good and didn't make the most of it."

Of his chances to get back on his game, Faldo said, "I'll give it a go. I'll give it a go."

Then he snapped, "Have a good day," and left the grounds.

Unanswered were questions about an un-Faldo finish that included two bogeys over the last five holes and a par on a hole many players birdied.

Nicklaus had predicted Faldo would win his third consecutive title if he could beat Nicklaus.

"I'd be surprised if I don't win," Nicklaus said earlier this week.

On Thursday he showed why.

Nicklaus was mentally into his game, saying, "I was as composed on this course as I've been in a long time."

He scrambled early, then settled down for a 4-under-par 68 that put him a shot behind leaders Mark McCumber, Jim Gallagher Jr. and Lanny Wadkins.

Faldo had other world-class players to contend with the final three days, including two-time Masters champion Tom Watson, Fred Couples, Spain's Jose Maria-Olazabal and Jumbo Ozaki, all tied with Nicklaus.

Joining Mickelson at 69 were former U.S. Open champion Scott Simpson, 1990 PGA Player of the Year Wayne Levi and Mark Brooks, a fifth-place finisher in the 1990 U.S. Open.

There were 22 players who matched Faldo's par. Out of the top 12 players, only two were foreigners. No U.S. player has won at Augusta since Larry Mize in 1987.

It was a bad day for some other foreigners, including Greg Norman, who shot 78; two-time Masters champion Seve Ballesteros, who had 75, and 1988 Masters champion Sandy Lyle, who shot 77.

Mickelson, a senior at Arizona State and playing his first competitive round at Augusta, matched Faldo shot-for-shot, including his eagle on the 465-yard, par-5 No. 13.

Then Faldo fell apart, flubbing a short chip on the 14th and missing a 10-footer for bogey. A poor chip gave Faldo only a par on the 500-yard, par-5 No. 15, a hole Mickelson birdied. Faldo missed the green on 18th and couldn't get it up and down.

Mickelson, who became the first left-hander in history to break 70 at the Masters, said he didn't think Faldo had done unrepairable damage to his chances.

"He's just setting himself up; he's not thinking about just one round; he's very into his game," Mickelson said.

Faldo started out 71-72 last year before he closed with 66-68 to get into a playoff he won over Ray Floyd.

Battling a bad cold, Nicklaus holed an 80-foot sand wedge for a birdie deuce on the 205-yard, par-3 No. 4 to get his round jump-started.

"I never got frustrated or nervous out there," Nicklaus said. "This may be my last chance to win a Masters."

Watson, who brought four putters to the tournament, found one that worked. He also got lucky when a wayward shot on 18 hit a lady in the ankle and kicked toward the green, helping him save par.

"I'm getting into a winning frame of mind," he said. "I haven't felt like this since 1987."

Wadkins and Gallagher each one-putted 11 greens in their early morning rounds in ideal playing conditions. Soft greens and light wind turned Augusta National into target golf.

Left-handed amateur steals the show in Masters first round

By RON SIRAK
AP Sports Writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — There is something amiss here.

He stands on the wrong side of the ball.

He still plays for free.

And he has the composure of someone who has been playing professional golf for 20 years, not someone who is just 20 years old.

Phil Mickelson is definitely something different.

This Masters was supposed to be Nick Faldo's stage, but Mickelson stepped up and stole the show in Thursday's first round at Augusta National. The reigning U.S. Amateur champion was paired with the man trying to become the first-ever to win the Masters three times in a row and calmly shot a 3-under-par 69 to Faldo's 72.

And afterwards, as a frustrated Faldo hid from reporters in the locker room, Mickelson calmly answered any and all questions.

"It was everything I had read about and more," the Arizona State University senior said of his first Masters. "It was awesome, just awesome."

So was Mickelson.

The long-hitting left-hander, who won the Tucson Open earlier this year but has decided to keep his amateur status, sat on the dias next to Jack Nicklaus and listened as the six-time Masters champion called Mickelson a star waiting to happen.

"He only said that because I was in the room," Mickelson said after Nicklaus left. "Remember, being compared to Jack is only a compliment. There will never be another Jack Nicklaus."

Mickelson did a pretty good imitation of Nicklaus — at least for one day.

He stumbled off the front nine with a 1-over 37, finishing bogey, bogey. What happened, he was asked?

"Amateur mistakes," he said. "Fortunately, I'm an amateur."

But he played like a professional on the back nine. And he showed that he had learned the most important word at Augusta — patience.

"After bogeying 8 and 9, it was tempting to try to get those strokes back," Mickelson said. "But you can't do that on 10, 11 and 12. To have to wait a few holes, that took patience."

Patience. The word Nicklaus most uses to describe the key to success at Augusta.

And Mickelson's patience paid off as he became the first left-hander in Masters history to break 70 at Augusta National.

On 13, he hit a drive and a 3 iron to 6 feet from the hole and knocked it in for an eagle 3. Then he birdied 15. And he capped his round with a very Nicklaus-like birdie on 18, complete with a roaring ovation as he approached the final green.

"It was awesome," he said of the reception.

So here he is, 20 years old and two strokes off the lead after the first round of the Masters.

Can you win, he was asked?

"Not a good question," he answered. "Let's go on."

And what about this thing about not playing for money?

"I realized after I won at Tucson (in January) that I would not be mentally ready to play the next week. These guys play week after week," he said. "I'm not tough enough yet. I was happy to be able to go back to classes."

Southwest Outdoors

By Mel Phillips

Expansion scheduled for Fun Tournaments

After seeing the great response to the 1990 Fun Tournaments held at Lake Meredith, I am pleased to announce that the 1991 FUN TOURNAMENT schedule has expanded to include both Lake Meredith and Lake White River.

Anglers of all ages appreciate fair and honest fishing tournaments that offer an excellent payback, a very reasonable entry fee, and a three-hour evening contest that a working angler can attend. A polygraph test is given at each FUN Tournament just to insure fair competition.

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The FIRST FUN TOURNAMENT AT WHITE RIVER WILL BE APRIL 11.

Fun Tournaments at LAKE WHITE RIVER east of Lubbock will take place on the second Thursday evening of each month at the marina.

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THE FIRST FUN TOURNAMENT AT LAKE MEREDITH will be April 18.

In 1991, Fun Tournaments at LAKE MEREDITH are scheduled for the first and third Thursday evenings at Cedar Valley near the marina.

Registration for all contests will start at 3 p.m. Fishing is from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. The 1991 schedule waited until the start of daylight savings time in order to have more evening sunlight.

Don't be misled by the cheap entry fee of only $20. Judging from last year's experience, over 100 fishermen will attend these short fun tournaments. Based on 100 entries take a look at the payback.

The more entries the more the paycheck increases. Example – 150 anglers would increase first place paycheck (750 x 150) = $1,125.

Anglers at Meredith can enter Bass, Walleye or both categories with an entry fee of $20 per category. White River will have only the bass category. Smallmouth and largemouth both fall in the bass category. All fun tournaments are the best three legal fish.

Fun Tournaments are designed to be FUN. Anglers may use live bait, troll or even fish from the bank. The angler who finishes down in tenth place will win $100, and every fisherman with OR without fish is eligible for the $50 Luck-Of-Draw that is the final event at each weigh-in ceremony. As an old cliche says, "It doesn't get much better than that."

I will serve as 1991 Tournament Director and look forward to seeing you at the lake. So bring your favorite fishing partner or introduce a family member to some fun fishing at our 1991 FUN TOURNAMENTS.

1991 sponsors (and more are needed) include Anchor Marine, Billy Boat Ramp, Camper Roundup, Snow's Bait Shop in Fritch, Wal-mart, K-mart and Southwest Sports in Lubbock.

Reds surrender lead, but go down fighting

By The Associated Press

The Houston Astros have made a promise to the Cincinnati Reds and reliever Rob Dibble.

"I don't think this will be the end of this," Houston's Ken Caminiti said after the Astros beat the Reds 4-1 Thursday night.

The loss knocked Cincinnati out of first place in the National League West for the first time in more than a year. And the Reds went down fighting.

Dibble gave up an RBI single to reliever Curt Schilling in his first major league at-bat to score the final Houston run in the ninth.

Dibble's next pitch, a fastball, sailed at least a foot behind Eric Yelding's back. The shortstop charged the mound, threw his batting helmet at Dibble's left shoulder, then took a swing that failed to connect. A pile of players then covered the mound and order was restored in about a minute.

"They should suspend the guy," Astros manager Art Howe said of Dibble, who was ejected along with Yelding. "He's head hunting. It's not safe for anybody out there. He has too much control to be throwing like that, and everybody knows it. It's a weak act, period."

It was the end of the Reds' year-long reign as National League West leaders. The Reds led the division each day last season, the first NL team to go wire-to-wire in a 162-game season.

Dibble, one of the Reds' three "Nasty Boys" relievers, lived up to his title when reporters approached for an explanation.

"I don't got nothing to say. Don't even come near my locker," he said, snarling. "Don't even bother."

After a pause, he added, "You should all come to Houston."

The Reds play there later this month.

The teams had a stormy series last year, starting in the season opener when Houston's Glenn Davis — now with Baltimore — was hit by pitches three times. The teams had several fights the rest of the year.

"It goes back to what was said last year: If they want to start a war, this is not the team to start it with," said Reds starter Norm Charlton (0-1), another Nasty Boy.

Elsewhere, it was New York 6, Montreal 3; San Francisco 11, San Diego 9; Los Angeles 4, Atlanta 2, and Chicago 5, St. Louis 4.

The fight overshadowed a wild three-hitter by three Astros pitchers.

Pete Harnisch (1-0) pitched five hitless innings but walked eight in his NL debut. Xavier Hernandez gave up two hits and Schilling finished with one-hit relief for the save.

Harnisch, who joined Schilling in moving to the Astros from Baltimore in a trade for Davis, walked four batters in the fourth to give Cincinnati its only run.

Wildness also cost Charlton in his first start. He gave up fourth-inning singles to Finley and Craig Biggio, threw a wild pitch and walked Jeff Bagwell with two out. Rhodes doubled just inside the left-field line on a 3-2 pitch for a 2-0 lead.

Karl Rhodes, a Cincinnati native, hit a two-run double in the fourth off Charlton. Steve Finley, the other player the Astros got for Davis, had an RBI single in the eighth.

Soccer fund-raiser

(Staff photo by J. Alan Brzys)

Pampa soccer players(l-r)Sean Cook, Randal Odom, Blane Northcutt and Chad Brunson present the final payment to Dick Stowers of Culberson-Stowers Inc. on a 1991 S-10 Chey Fleetside pickup. The players are selling raffle tickets at $10 apiece on the new pickup to collect money for a trip to England and an all-star soccer tournament. The drawing for the pickup will be held in mid-May, but the youngsters need to sell at least a thousand more tickets. The S-10 Chevy is valued at $9,000. Tickets are available at T Shirts & More in the Pampa Mall, Wayne's Western Wear and Wal-Mart. The Pampa players are part of a U.S. all-star team that will be playing overseas this summer.

White gives Toronto big lift

AL roundup

By The Associated Press

When the Toronto Blue Jays look around and see Devon White starting things off, they figure their offense will create some problems for the opposition.

"When you've got guys like Devo getting on base all night, you're going to score some runs," winning pitcher David Wells said after White sparked Toronto to a 7-3 victory over Milwaukee Thursday night.

Kelly Gruber, who drove in two runs, also appreciates his new teammate.

"Having Devo do what he does certainly takes the pressure off," Gruber said. "Having guys pick up other guys is what this game is all about."

Offseason acquistions White and Joe Carter continued to spark the offense and Wells pitched eight strong innings.

"Right now I'm swinging at mostly high pitches and staying away from the low ones," White said. "I used to swing at a lot of the low ones."

White also is doing something strange for him — leading off.

"I don't mind doing whatever it takes to help us win," he said. "If it means leading off, then that's what I'll do."

Carter, acquired from San Diego, drove in two runs, giving him five in four games while batting .400 for the Blue Jays. White, traded by California, went 3-for-5 and scored three runs, giving him five for the season to go with a .389 average.

In other American League games, Oakland beat Minnesota 3-0, California defeated Seattle 5-0, Cleveland beat Boston 6-4 and Detroit downed New York 11-5.

Wells (1-0), who has never pitched a complete game in 28 career starts, allowed three runs on eight hits, struck out two and walked one.

"I needed something like that after the lousy spring training I had," Wells said. "But I felt more comfortable each time out during the spring and tonight I finally put it together.

"I didn't feel tired (in the eighth). I got greedy and I made some bad pitches. You just can't do that against major league ballplayers."

Athletics 3, Twins 0

At Oakland, Rickey Henderson got caught stealing and later left with a leg cramp as he remained one behind Lou Brock's all-time stolen base record of 938.

Henderson went 1-for-4 with a single in the fourth inning, but was thrown out at second base by Minnesota catcher Junior Ortiz. In the seventh, Henderson pulled up lame while running out a grounder. His status is day-to-day with an injured left calf.

Joe Slusarski, filling in for scheduled starter Eric Show, pitched seven shutout innings in his major league debut. Slusarski was supposed to pitch the opener the same night for Triple-A Tacoma, but was called up when Show was put on the disabled list with an infected thumb.

Slusarski, misspelled "Sluzarski" on his hastily assembled Oakland uniform, gave up five hits, walked three and struck out two. Dennis Eckersley finished for his first save. Scott Erickson was the loser.

Angels 5, Mariners 0

Mark Langston pitched six strong innings and Dave Winfield drove in three runs for the second straight day as California completed a three-game sweep at Seattle. The Angels are off to their best start since going 5-0 in 1970.

Langston went 10-17 last season and his lone highlight came in his debut, when he combined with Mike Witt on a no-hitter. This time, exactly one year after his first game for the Angels, he gave up four hits.

Jeff Robinson relieved with the bases loaded and no outs in the seventh. He escaped without allowing a run and finished for the save.

Winfield had a sacrifice fly in the third inning off Brian Holman and a two-run double in the seventh.

Indians 6, Red Sox 4

Eric King outpitched Danny Darwin and Brook Jacoby drove in three runs as Cleveland spoiled Boston's home opener.

King, acquired in an offseason trade, shut out the Red Sox on three hits for six innings before leaving during a three-run seventh. Doug Jones got his second save.

Darwin, signed for $11.8 million after winning the National League's ERA title last year, got tagged for six runs in 1 2-3 innings. He gave up five hits, including Jacoby's wind-blown, two-run triple, walked three and hit a batter.

University of Miami lands high school basketball standouts

By The Associated Press

The benefits of being in the Big East already are showing for the University of Miami.

Coach Leonard Hamilton bolstered his first recruiting class Wednesday by signing 7-foot center William Davis of Brooklyn, N.Y. Davis joined the nation's highest-scoring prep player, Ochiel Swaby of North Miami High, in pledging to the Hurricanes on the first day of the spring signing period.

Davis averaged 16 points, 14 rebounds and seven blocked shots last season for Boys and Girls High in Brooklyn, the same school that produced the Hurricanes' all-time No. 2 scorer, Eric Brown.

"I'm real excited about coming to Miami," Davis said. "Going to a Big East school was real important with all the exposure and great competition in that conference."

"William is a good athlete who runs the floor well for his size," Hamilton said. "He has the potential to be a good defensive player as well as an exceptional shot blocker."

Swaby, a 6-7 forward, set a Florida high school record by averaging 47.4 points last season. Swaby's choice of schools was no surprise; he had verbally committed to Miami in January.

"I'm really happy to finally sign," Swaby said. "I've really been looking forward to this day. The University of Miami going into the Big East and coach Hamilton is such a great person, it was an easy decision."

Hamilton, who came to Miami a year ago from Oklahoma State, said Swaby "has a lot of scoring potential and good size and should add another dimension to our team on the offensive end."

Also in the Big East, 6-9 forward Donyell Marshall of Reading, Pa., is headed for Connecticut. Marshall averaged 26 points and 15 rebounds last season.

"I think UConn has the best chance of going far in the (NCAA) tournament," said Marshall. "I think coach (Jim) Calhoun will push me, and I need that."

Recruiting expert Bob Gibbons said Marshall and UConn's other six incoming freshmen give Connecticut one of the top recruiting classes in the country.

'It looks like Michigan's got the No. 1 recruiting class," Gibbons said. "Kansas is probably No. 2, and, if everybody's eligible, UConn's No. 3."

Gibbons ranks Marshall among the top six high school recruits in the nation.

Arizona State coach Bill Frieder said he signed Wun Versher, a 6-5 swingman from Compton (Calif.) College. Across the state, Northern Arizona landed Miodrag Deric, a 6-9 native of Yugoslavia. Deric averaged 15.5 points per game and 9.5 rebounds while a foreign-exchange student at Casa Robles (Calif.) High School.

Derrick Landrus, Illinois' leading Class AA scorer, also will stay at home. The 6-2 guard, who averaged 31.2 points a game this season at Charleston High School, will attend Eastern Illinois.

"He is a scorer, he penetrates well and, with a more open college game, he should be able to demonstrate his other skills such as passing and ballhandling," said Eastern Illinois coach Rick Samuels.

Auburn grabbed two players from Georgia state championship teams: Mitch Taylor, a 6-1 guard from Statesboro, and Al Pinkins, a 6-6 forward from Camilla.

Mississippi signed Donald Jenkins, a 6-4 guard from Salisbury, N.C.; Leslie Cephus, a 6-7 forward, from Birmingham, Ala.; and Cedric Brim, a 6-1 point guard from Mooreville, Miss. As a senior at Mooreville, Brim led the Troopers to a 37-1 record and the Mississippi Class AA state championship, averaging 23.9 points.

Mississippi State got Johnny Walker, a 6-7 forward from Chipola Junior College in Marianna, Fla.; Eric Stevens, a 6-8 forward-center from Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College; and Marcus Grant, a 6-6 guard-forward from Macon, Ga.

Colorado signed Mark Dean from Nassau, Bahamas, who averaged 22.8 points and 13 rebounds at Southeast Community in Nebraska. Ryan Grant, a 6-8 swingman from Effingham, Ill., agreed to attend St. Louis. New Mexico got Scott Pritchett, a 6-2 guard from Fort Worth, Texas.

Signing with Utah were 6-8 forward Antoine Davison of College of Eastern Utah; 5-11 guard Malloy Nesmith of Jacksonville (Texas) J.C.; 6-8 center Carlito DaSilva of Brazil, who attended the College of Southern Idaho; and Jon Wickizer, a 6-7 swingman from Woods Cross, Utah.

Brendan Graves, a 6-10 center who averaged 30.5 points and 20 rebounds as a high school senior in Victoria, Canada, signed with California.

Former Texas Tech assistant critical of search committee

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A former Texas Tech assistant basketball coach said he felt sure he had the support of the board of regents to succeed Gerald Myers as the school's head basketball coach and said he's disappointed he wasn't given stronger consideration.

Rob Evans, an assistant coach at Texas Tech for 15 years and now an assistant at Oklahoma State, criticized those who handled the coaching search.

Early speculation was that Evans might get the nod. Instead, James Dickey, an assistant at Tech the past year, was promoted. Myers agreed last month to step down after 20 1/2 years and four consecutive losing seasons.

Tech athletic director T. Jones said Dickey's appointment was a "unanimous decision" by the school's board of regents.

Evans said he felt he had the board's favor.

"I have had a number of people call me, I have talked to a few of the board of regents and several people have been throwing me in a corner, but obviously between (Tuesday) and (Wednesday), they changed their mind," Evans said.

A newspaper last month published a story quoting unidentified sources that said Evans would be named Tech's coach and hire Dickey as an assistant. Evans had been an assistant coach at Tech from 1976-90.

"I am more than disappointed at this point ... ," Rob Evans told Texas Tech's student newspaper, The University Daily, in a copyright story Wednesday. He said he was "more distressed (about the situation) because I was not given strong consideration for the job."

Evans, 44, now an assistant coach at Oklahoma State, recruited many of the New Mexico high school players who contributed to Tech's basketball success, including Bubba Jennings of Clovis and Kent Williams, Jeff and Vince Taylor and Tony Benford, all from Hobbs.

Evans said after an early interview with Jones he did not receive any further information on where he stood as a candidate for the job.

Pampa hosts Borger Saturday in district baseball action

Pampa hosts Borger at 1 p.m. Saturday in a key District 1-4A baseball contest.

Both teams have 3-1 district marks and the winner takes over sole possession of first place in the standings.

Senior righthander Quincy Williams (5-0) is scheduled to start on the mound for the Harvesters.

Pampa has a 15-2 record for the season while Borger is 12-5.

Three teams, Amarillo Caprock, Dumas and Randall, are tied for third with 3-1 records.

Hereford (4-0) is at the bottom.

Memories of "The Shoe"

By ED SCHUYLER Jr.
AP Sports Writer

The Shoe.

There he is unsaddling Forego after the huge gelding (17 hands) won the 1976 Marlboro Cup with an explosive stretch run.

He sort of looks like a boy trying to get a heavy cookie jar off a high shelf.

Because Forego carried 137 pounds. Because 4-foot-11 Bill Shoemaker weighs 98 pounds, that means the saddle, plus the lead weights in it, weighed 39 pounds.

Scenes witnessed and stories heard about the world's winningest jockey crossed the mind of a man, who knows him, not well enough, and who has written about him, not often enough.

The memories came flooding back in the wake of a one-car accident Monday night, which has left 59-year-old Shoemaker partially paralyzed.

The Shoe.

There he is with the blanket of roses drapped around him, dragging on the ground. He has just won the 1986 Kentucky Derby on Ferdinand, becoming at 54 the oldest jockey to win the race.

Flash back to 1957. There, dueling toward the Churchill Downs finish line in the Derby are Gallant Man, ridden by Shoemaker, and Iron Liege, ridden by Bill Hartack. At the sixteenth pole, Shoemaker stands up, thinking it is the finish line. He is back down immediately, and it still is argued whether his midjudgment cost Gallant Man the race by a nose.

Shoemaker gets a 15-day suspension from the stewards and a new car and $5,000 from Ralph Lowe, Gallant Man's owner, who finds no fault with the jockey. Gallant Man skips the Preakness, but Shoemaker rides him to an eight-length victory in the Belmont Stakes.

The Shoe.

It's early morning in the Churchill Downs stable area during Derby Week in 1985 and he's telling a story.

It seems he is returning to his hotel from a party at about 4:30 on the morning of the 1965 Derby. He is accompanied by a friend, who happend to have a horse stabled at the Downs.

The friend suggests they go to the track and that Shoemaker work the horse. He does while wearing a tuxedo, then about 12 hours later wins the race on Lucky Debonair.

Four horses are bunched together nearing the wire in the fifth race on Feb. 3, 1990, at Santa Anita. It is called the "Legend's Last Ride."

Shoemaker is on Patchy Groundfog in the 40,350th, and final, race of a career that touched on six decades in quest of his 8,834th victory. Patchy Groundfog finishes fourth, less than a length out of first.

The loss doesn't dampen The Shoe's farewell party attended by more than 60,000 appreciative fans.

Many of them know what Shoemaker's wife Cindy meant when she said watching him ride a horse was like "listening to a pretty song or reading poety."

Warriors break open close game with Rockets

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Golden State broke open a close game in the fourth quarter by intentionally fouling Houston's Larry Smith, who missed six straight free throws, and Chris Mullin scored 26 points in a 111-99 victory Thursday night.

Golden State made a team-record 33 free throws without a miss, the third-best showing in NBA history, while the Rockets made only 18 of 34 foul shots, including 7 of 17 in the final quarter.

Houston trailed just 88-82 before the assault on Smith began. After Tim Hardaway's two free throws put the Warriors up by six points with less than eight minutes remaining, Golden State coach Don Nelson sent reserve center Paul Mokeski and backup guard Vince Askew into the game to carry out the plan.

After Smith was fouled and missed two free throws, Mullin hit a 3-point shot. Two more Smith misses led to another Mullin jumper and a 93-82 lead with 6:40 to play. Smith missed two more free throws and was finally taken out of the game for good, as the Rockets never got closer than seven points the rest of the way.

Houston fell two games behind Midwest Division leader San Antonio with six games to play. Golden State moved a full game ahead of Seattle in the race for the seventh Western Conference playoff spot.

Houston's Hakeem Olajuwon led all scorers with 28 points, 21 in the second half, and added 12 rebounds. Sleepy Floyd scored 25 for the Rockets. Hardaway finished with 24 points and Mitch Richmond had 23 for Golden State.

Golden State's 24-16 lead after one quarter was the biggest of the first half. The Warriors committed eight turnovers in the first 10 minutes, but their defense forced eight straight missed shots by Houston during an 11-0 run over a four-minute span.

Scoreboard

Track

Schedule of events for the District 1-4A track meet at Randy Matson Field today and Saturday are listed below:

Preliminaries
Today
3-3:30 – 3200-meter run (final event, 1 heat)
3:30-3:45 – 100-meter hurdles
3:45-4 – 110-meter hurdles
4-4:15 – 100 meter dash
4:15-4:45 – *400-meter dash
4:45-5:15 – 300-meter hurdles
5:15-5:30 – 200-meter dash

*Running order will be girls followed by boys, except the 400-meter dash, which will be boys followed by girls.

There will be no preliminaries in the 800-meter run or the 1600-meter run. There will be two heats-one slow, one fast.

There are no preliminaries in any of the relays.

Field Events
2:30 – Boys shot put, boys pole vault, boys long jump, girls discus, girls triple jump, girls high jump.

Saturday
Field Events
11 – boys discus, boys high jump, boys triple jump, girls shot put, girls long jump.

Finals
2-2:10 – 400-meter relay
2:10-2:20 – 800-meter run
2:20-2:30 – 100-meter hurdles
2:40-2:50 – 110-meter hurdles
2:50-3 – 100-meter dash
3-3:10 – 800-meter relay
3:10-3:20 – *400-meter dash
3:20-3:30 – 300-meter hurdles
3:30-3:40 – 200-meter dash
3:40-3:50 – 1600-meter run
3:50-4 – 1600-meter relay
4 – Presentation of awards

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Baseball

Major League standings

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	3	1	.750	—
Detroit	2	1	.667	1/2
Milwaukee	2	1	.667	1/2
Cleveland	2	2	.500	1
New York	1	2	.333	1 1/2
Boston	1	3	.250	2
Baltimore	0	2	.000	2

West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	3	0	1.000	—
Chicago	2	0	1.000	1/2
Kansas City	2	1	.667	1
Oakland	2	1	.667	1
Minnesota	1	2	.333	2
Texas	0	2	.000	2 1/2
Seattle	0	3	.000	3

Thursday's Games
Cleveland 6, Boston 4
Detroit 11, New York 5
Oakland 3, Minnesota 0
California 5, Seattle 0
Toronto 7, Milwaukee 3
Only games scheduled
Friday's Games
Chicago (Fernandez 5-5) at Detroit (Searcy 2-7), 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Navarro 8-7) at Toronto (Boucher 0-0), 7:35 p.m.
California (J.Abbott 10-14) at Minnesota (Tapani 12-8), 8:05 p.m.
New York (Cary 5-12) at Kansas City (S.Davis 7-10), 8:35 p.m.
Baltimore (D.Johnson 13-9) at Texas (B.Witt 17-10), 8:35 p.m.
Seattle (Bankhead 0-2) at Oakland (Moore 13-15), 10:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled
Saturday's Games
Cleveland at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 1:15 p.m.
Milwaukee at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
New York at Kansas City, 2:35 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
California at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Cleveland at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 1:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
California at Minnesota, 2:05 p.m.
New York at Kansas City, 2:35 p.m.
Baltimore at Texas, 3:05 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 8:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	3	1	.750	—
Pittsburgh	2	1	.667	1/2
St. Louis	2	1	.667	1/2
Chicago	1	2	.333	1 1/2
Philadelphia	1	2	.333	1 1/2
Montreal	1	3	.250	2

West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	2	0	1.000	—
Cincinnati	2	1	.667	1/2
San Diego	2	1	.667	1/2
Houston	1	2	.333	1 1/2
San Francisco	1	2	.333	1 1/2
Atlanta	0	2	.000	2

Thursday's Games
Los Angeles 4, Atlanta 2
St. Louis 5, Chicago 4
San Francisco 11, San Diego 9, 10 innings
Houston 4, Cincinnati 1
New York 6, Montreal 3
Only games scheduled
Friday's Games
Pittsburgh (Smiley 9-10) at Chicago (Boskie 5-6), 3:20 p.m.
San Diego (Harris 8-8) at Los Angeles (Ojeda 7-6), 4:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Avery 3-11) at Cincinnati (Armstrong 12-9), 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Moyer 0-0) at Philadelphia (Combs 10-10), 7:35 p.m.
Montreal (Sampen 12-7) at New York (Darling 7-9), 7:40 p.m.
San Francisco (Reuschel 3-6) at Houston (Portugal 11-10), 8:35 p.m.
Saturday's Games
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 1:35 p.m.
Montreal at New York, 1:40 p.m.
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 2:15 p.m.
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San Diego at Los Angeles, 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 4:35 p.m.

Transactions

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BASEBALL
American League
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Placed Candy Maldonado, outfielder, on the 15-day disabled list. Called up Don August, pitcher, from Denver of the American Association.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Placed Gene Nelson and Eric Show, pitchers, on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled Reggie Harris and Joe Slusarski, pitchers, from Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League.
National League
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Recalled Steve Rosenberg, pitcher, from Las Vegas of the Pacific Coast League. Optioned Thomas Howard, outfielder, to Las Vegas.

BASKETBALL
World Basketball League
MEMPHIS ROCKERS—Named Bob Carroll assistant coach.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
LOS ANGELES RAMS—Released Mel Owens, linebacker. Signed Danny James, wide receiver, and Ron Slack, running back.
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Named Robert E. Wallace Jr. assistant to the president and general counsel.
Canadian Football League
OTTAWA ROUGH RIDERS—Signed William Hoggard, Christopher Poston and Joe Kubik, defensive backs.
World League of American Football
NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY KNIGHTS—Signed Kevin Simons, guard, and Andre Alexander, wide receiver. Waived Rod Holder, guard, and Henry Tuten, wide receiver.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ST. LOUIS BLUES—Recalled Dave Thomlinson, left wing, from Peoria of the International Hockey League. Sent David Bruce, right wing, to Peoria.
OLYMPICS
U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE—Named Dr. Wade Exum director of drug control administration.
U.S. VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION—Named Jim McLaughlin men's volleyball coach for the 1991 Pan American Games.
COLLEGE
COLUMBIA—Named Lou Montano wrestling coach.
HARTFORD—Named Sasho Cirovski men's soccer coach.

Football

WLAF standings

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	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
European						
Barcelona	3	0	0	1.000	79	31
London	3	0	0	1.000	81	41
Frankfurt	2	1	0	.667	48	44
North American East						
Montreal	2	1	0	.667	53	49
Orlando	2	1	0	.667	105	89
N.Y.-N.J.	0	3	0	.000	42	68
R.-Durham	0	3	0	.000	37	93
North American West						
Birmingham	1	2	0	.333	32	53
Sacramento	1	2	0	.333	22	30
San Antonio	1	2	0	.333	47	48

Monday's Game
Montreal 23, Birmingham 10
Saturday's Games
Frankfurt at Sacramento, 8 p.m.
New York-New Jersey at Montreal, 8 p.m.
Sunday's Game
Orlando at Barcelona, noon
Monday's Games
London at Birmingham, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Raleigh-Durham, 8 p.m.

Horse racing

Sunland races

SUNLAND PARK (AP) — The results of Thursday's horse racing at Sunland Park racetrack.

First — 400 yards; Excuse Me Moolah 5.00, 3.60, 2.20; Mr Quick Native 3.80, 2.20; Red Draft 2.60. T — 20.43.
Quiniela - $11.40.
Second — 870 yards; Behold A Champ 3.40, 3.00, 2.80; Relevant Reply 9.20, 4.00; Miss Yankee Deck 5.00. T — 47.69.
Quiniela — $27.60.
Trifecta — $1,440.20.
Daily Double — $7.40.
Third — 5 1/2 furlongs; Confused N' Abused 11.80, 8.60, 8.60; Until Now 32.60, 10.40; Bushido Lady 6.40. T — 1:07.2.
Quiniela — $139.60.
Exacta — $98.00.
Fourth — 6 1/2 furlongs; Measuremia 20.20, 9.20, 5.80; In And Win 3.80, 3.80; Clarence's Binge 9.20. T — 1:20.1.
Quiniela — $21.60.
First Half Twin Trifecta — $344.50.
Fifth — 6 furlongs; Jolley Ego 9.80, 4.40, 3.80; Even More Reason 4.80, 4.60; Ack Of Luv 6.80. T — 1:13.4.
Quiniela — $13.20.
Trifecta — $331.40.
Second Half Twin Trifecta — No winners. Carryover — $6,608.
Sixth — 350 yards; Dance Hall Chick 15.80, 4.00, 2.80; My Easy Doll 3.00, 2.80; Easy Signature 2.80. T — 17.77.
Quiniela — $20.00.
Exacta — $59.00.
Seventh — 5 1/2 furlongs; Grencreek 4.00, 3.00, 3.60; Outlaw Josie 6.40, 4.80; Dead Powder 5.20. T — 1:08.

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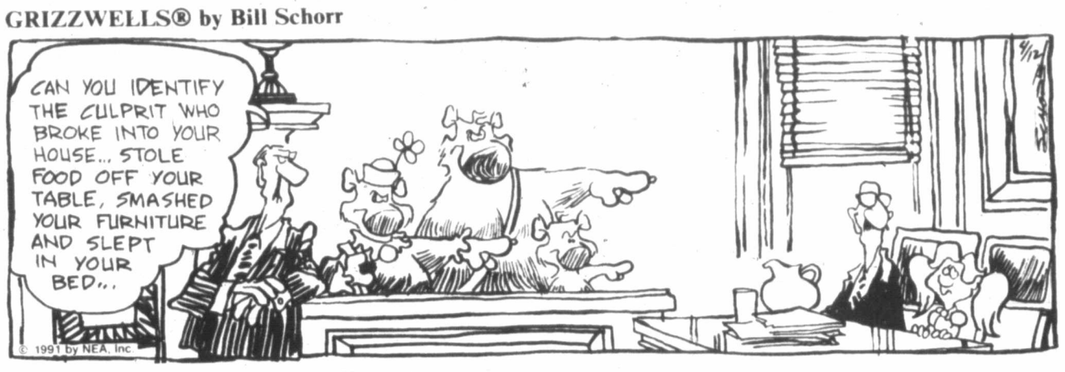

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A young refugee girl drinks water from a kettle that boiled while her parents sit in the makeshift home in the Kurdish refugee camp on the Iraqi border. Water is still scarce, but tents and blankets have begun arriving for the refugees.

Iraq attacks Kurds inside 'safe haven'

By DONALD W. SWINTON
Associated Press Writer

Iraqi troops have attacked Kurdish rebels inside a U.S.-protected zone in northern Iraq, and refugees in an American-occupied section of the south threatened to sit in front of tanks to prevent U.S. troops from leaving.

The attack Thursday came hours before a formal U.N. cease-fire in the Persian Gulf War took effect.

The first of 1,440 U.N. peacekeeping troops were expected to arrive in the gulf region today and begin replacing allied forces in policing the 120-mile border between Iraq and Kuwait.

The 32-nation force will maintain a demilitarized zone six miles into Iraq and nearly four miles into Kuwait, but many Iraqi refugees in the south fear for their well-being when U.S. forces depart.

The Iraqi attacks on Kurdish rebels were north of the 36th parallel – 25 miles inside the informal "safe haven" declared this week by U.S. officials. AP correspondent Alex Efty, at the site of the battle near the town of Shaqlawa, said at least 12 Iraqis were killed and two tanks destroyed.

Rebels said scores more Iraqi soldiers were lying dead on the mountain slopes on either side of the road where the battle developed.

Three Iraqi soldiers said they threw their weapons down and surrendered to Kurdish rebels without a fight. The soldiers, all Shiite Muslims from southern Iraq, said morale was low among President Saddam Hussein's forces.

"Finish," one said in English. Two others nodded in agreement. "It is non-existent," one added in Arabic.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Thursday that Iraq should not carry out "any kind of military activity" within the zone, where hundreds of thousands of Kurdish refugees have fled Saddam's forces. The territory declared off-limits to Iraqi military encompasses about 10 percent of Iraq.

The British ambassasdor to the United Nations, David Hannay, planned to meet today with members of the Security Council in New York to discuss a U.N. resolution establishing the protected zone.

Fitzwater said the zone, which could not be used by Kurds as a claim for territory, will be needed for an undetermined number of months during which Western nations would carry out a humanitarian assistance plan. Air drops currently under way will last until about April 17 after which relief supplies will be moved through Turkey by land.

Ultimately the relief effort is to provide one meal a day for 700,000 refugees, and by the end of this month the logistics are to be turned over to international relief organizations, Fitzwater said.

Iran's president, Hashemi Rafsanjani, today blamed the United States for turmoil in Iraq and said the West feared a democratic government in Baghdad would jeopardize its interests.

Rafsanjani told Muslim worshipers gathered for Friday prayers in Tehran that the United States is responsible for "what happened and is happening in the region."

"You are happy over the plight of the refugees because you think that if a popular government comes into power, your interests will be in danger," he said, apparently referring to Western leaders' fears that a victory by the disparate rebel groups could lead to the breakup of Iraq.

In southern Iraq, American troops continued their vigil along the demarcation line until U.N. observers are in place, U.S. military officials said. They could be there two more weeks when the main units of U.N. infantrymen, military observers and combat engineers are expected.

U.S. Air Force transport planes are flying out 5,000 troops a day. American troop strength has already dropped to 307,000, from a peak of 540,000, the Pentagon said.

The imminent departure of American troops has made residents of U.S.-occupied southern Iraq uneasy. Scores of Iraqis claiming to be soldiers rushed to surrender to U.S. troops Thursday in the last hours of the war, fearing savage reprisals from Saddam's troops.

Others have threatened to sit in front of American tanks to stop them from leaving, a refugee leader said.

The formal U.N. cease-fire was declared at Thursday evening, beginning a 120-day period in which Iraq must take steps to destroy its chemical, biological and nuclear weapons.

The cease-fire resolution, passed by the Security Council on April 3, continues the ban on selling Iraq weapons of mass destruction and long-range ballistic missiles, and the technology to develop them.

Iraq, which agreed to the cease-fire, also agreed to pay war damages with a portion of its oil income.

Elsewhere, about 30 Kurdish Australians threw rocks and broke windows today at the Iraqi Embassy in Canberra and later scuffled with police and security guards, officials said.

Police said a security officer suffered minor injuries when he was hit by a rock. No one was arrested and no charges have been filed in the incident, they said.

An Iraqi Embassy spokesman said 12 windows were broken during the brawl. None of the five staffers inside the embassy was injured.

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