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Jury exonerates nursing center, doctor

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
Lifestyles Editor

A Gray County jury exonerated a Pampa nursing home and physician Thursday of allegations of neglect in the care of 88-year-old Bessie Inez Curtis.

Coronado Nursing Center and Dr. Laxman Bhatia had been the target of a \$2.3 million civil suit brought against them by Pampan Ruth Abbott. In 223rd District Court testimony, Abbott alleged that the nursing center and Bhatia, through negligence, had been the proximate cause of death of her mother, Bessie Inez Curtis.

Curtis died Sept. 18, 1990 of pneumonia while in Coronado Hospital. The plaintiff maintained that Bhatia and CNC failed to monitor and treat an infection which became gangrenous and led to the amputation of Curtis's left foot in May of 1990.

Taking the witness stand in his own behalf Thursday, Bhatia told the panel that besides having treated Curtis for five years, she was one of his sickest patients. He testified that he had treated her for a variety of skin ailments, and intermittently used antibiotics. One reason, he said, he was not alarmed when foot lesions failed to heal was Curtis's history as a "slow responder" to antibiotic therapy.

Bhatia, a native of India who holds board certification in three medical specialties, told jurors that he relied on nursing notes from CNC, and because of his five-year association with Curtis, he knew her system well. He testified that at other times in their association, he had transferred the woman to Coronado Hospital when she showed danger signs such as a fever. At the time he was notified of the lesions on her left foot in

March of 1990, there were no signs of fever or tachycardia. Rather, he said, she was stable.

"There's no point in a visit for the sake of a visit," Bhatia said.

Under question by his attorney, Bob Brown of Dallas, Bhatia testified that he likes the challenge of meeting acute medical needs of geriatric patients. He said that he sees in them the same needs of his elderly parents.

During his association with Curtis and Abbott, Bhatia said, he had many long discussions with the family about Curtis' care. He described the Abbotts as a caring family.

"At any time did you ignore Mrs. Curtis?" asked Brown.

"I would not ignore Bessie nor any of my patients," Bhatia said.

Taking up questioning, Tom Riney of Amarillo, who represents CNC, asked Bhatia about the time of his addition to the suit. It was brought out in testimony that Bhatia was not named to the initial lawsuit which was filed in November of 1990, until after he was deposed by plaintiff's attorney Gene Storrs in August 1991.

He further told the panel that nursing homes are limited in services they can provide for patients, for example, lacking facilities for medical tests. He continued that he had diagnosed depression in the elderly woman as early as 1985 or 1986.

Bhatia then responded to questions by attorney Storrs. Bhatia told Storrs and the jury that he knew Curtis had progressive circulatory problems based on her 1988 stroke. However, he said, he had learned something about gangrene and the difference between wound-related gangrene (gas gangrene) and gangrene caused by peripheral vascular disease.

"I stand corrected about my impression of how gangrene forms," he testified.

Agreeing with expert Dr. Lloyd Taylor who testified Wednesday, Bhatia said that while Curtis's toes were black on April 29, 1990, there was no need to rush into surgery, but he admitted Curtis to the hospital immediately at Abbott's behest.

In his opinion, Bhatia said, the drug Trental was not indicated. Indeed, he said, it was not Federal Food and Drug Administration approved for use in patients like Curtis.

Storrs produced a hospital bill showing that Trental had been prescribed for Curtis and billed for by Coronado Hospital. Bhatia said he didn't know who prescribed the drug, and felt that it was "contraindicated" but not necessarily wrong. He said that he usually doesn't cancel a colleague's orders.

When asked by Storrs about a test to measure vascular function, Bhatia replied, "You don't do a test just for the sake of doing a test."

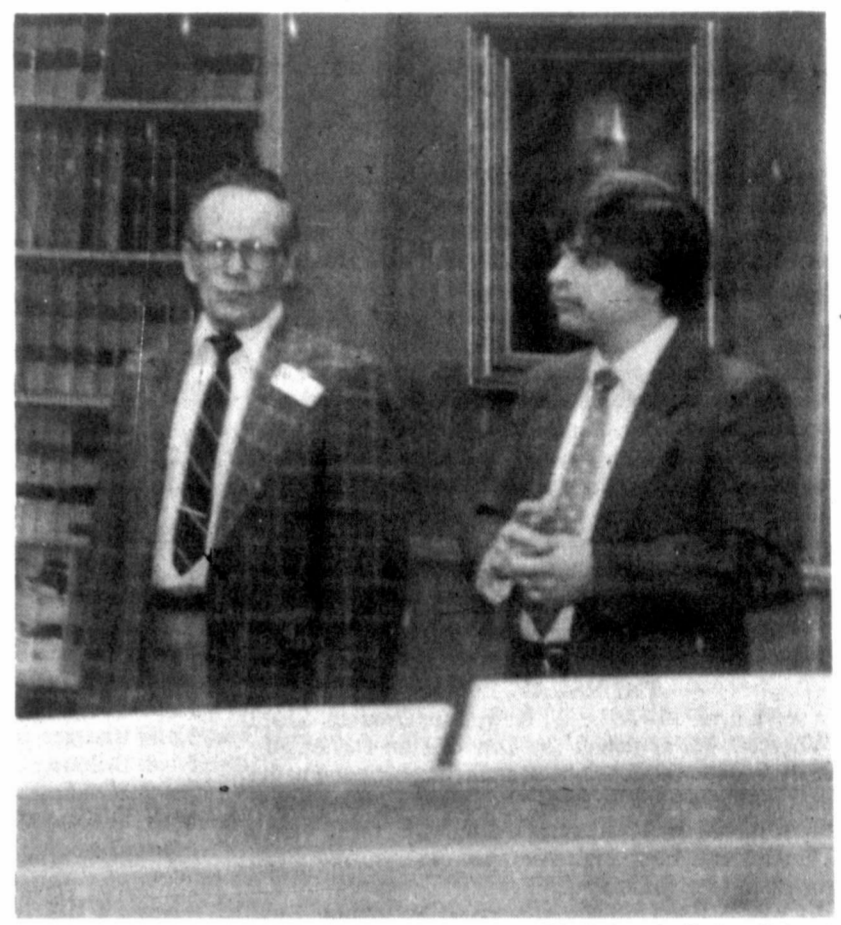
He said the test for vascular function would be difficult to perform on one with Curtis' problems and the results would not have aided him in diagnosis.

"She's not a dead person, but she has severe problems that would lead to death," he said. "Being at her bedside wouldn't make a difference."

"She had problems and we were taking care of it. Sometimes there is only so much you can do," he continued.

In other testimony before the jury panel, Bhatia said that the natural history of peripheral vascular disease renders other medical choices of no utility.

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(Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)

Chuck Laurent, left, Coronado Nursing Center administrator, and Dr. Laxman Bhatia enter the courtroom Thursday afternoon before the end of testimony in the civil lawsuit alleging negligence of care.

Commissioners table Precinct 3 J.P. plan

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

A plan allowing voters in commissioner Precinct 3 for the first time in the history of Gray County to cast a ballot in elections for justice of the peace was tabled on Thursday by Commissioners Court.

Gray County Attorney Robert D. McPherson is expected to present several options at the Aug. 2 meeting of the Gray County Commissioners Court for including Precinct 3 voters in the justice of the peace election.

Because of the sparsity of the population in Precinct 3, which includes a portion of southern Gray County, voters in the 921-square-mile Gray County have elected justices of the peace for only three

positions since the county's inception in 1876. The three positions represent justice of the peace Precincts 1, 2 and 4.

The proposal that McPherson presented to Commissioners Court on Thursday calls for combining justice of the peace Precinct 1 and voting Precinct 3 outside of Pampa and voting Precincts 11, 14 and 15 within the city of Pampa.

The plan also calls for combining justice of the peace Precinct 2 in the rest of Gray County outside of Pampa with voting Precincts 7, 12 and 2 within the city of Pampa, and for removing voting Precinct 10 in the city of Pampa from justice of the peace Precinct 2 and adding it to justice of the peace Precinct 4.

Justice of the peace Precinct 4 and voting Precincts 8, 9 and 10 would also be combined.

McPherson told commissioners that the proposed combinations of voting precincts into new justice of the peace precincts were designed to achieve the least possible disparity in populations among those precincts without having to redraw the smaller voting precincts.

In another proposal on Thursday, Precinct 3 Gray County Commissioner Gerald Wright recommended combining justice of the peace Precinct 1 with commissioner Precinct 3.

If Commissioners Court tentatively selects a plan and then formally approves it after holding a public hearing, that plan would have to be sent to the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., for its approval, McPherson said.

McPherson is proposing that the plan go into effect upon final

approval by Gray County Commissioners Court.

Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Bob Muns expressed concern about McPherson's proposal, saying that it would significantly reduce the number of criminal cases, including traffic cases involving motorists driving outside of the Pampa city limits, that he would preside over.

"I don't want to be a full-time civil court judge," Muns told Commissioners Court.

Muns added, however, that if the commissioners adopt the plan recommended by McPherson, "I'll adjust to it."

McPherson said Thursday that Gray County Commissioners Court asked him about one year ago to develop a proposal for allowing Precinct 3 voters to participate in the justice of the peace election.

County urges state to acquire Lake McClellan control

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

Gray County commissioners on Thursday passed a resolution urging acquisition by the state of Texas of Lake McClellan National Grassland Park.

The resolution, unanimously approved by Commissioners Court, "respectfully urges the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to pursue acquisition of Lake McClellan Recreation Area from the USDA Forest Service and to operate and

preserve the area as a state park for the enjoyment and benefit of all citizens both now and in the future."

State Rep. Warren Chisum is expected to represent Gray County in discussions with the state Department of Parks and Wildlife on the proposed transfer of park ownership from the federal government to the state of Texas.

The U.S. Forest Service has been owner of the park in southern Gray County ever since it officially opened about 50 years ago. The park includes a lake covering 316 surface

acres and a concessionaire building.

Last month, Gray County Commissioners Court cited concern about the unreliability of federal funding for improvements at Lake McClellan park in voting not to apply to the U.S. Forest Service for a contract making the park the long-term manager of Lake McClellan National Grassland Park.

Gray County has held a short-term contract with the Forest Service since Jan. 1, 1992, to serve as manager of the park.

In other news on Thursday, Gray

County Commissioners Court:

• Approved the establishment of a temporary fund for Alanreed Independent School District to pay expenses incurred by the Gray County Sheriff's Office in placing locks and chains on the former Alanreed ISD property. The Alanreed school district officially became defunct on July 1.

Commissioners are expected to meet with Donley County Commissioners Court at 2 p.m. today at the Alanreed School to jointly decide

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PEDC board discusses budget, business prospect

By RANDAL K. MCGAVOCK
Staff Writer

The Pampa Economic Development Corporation's Board of Directors met Thursday afternoon to discuss topics ranging from a proposed budget for the organization to a business prospect to competition with other cities in Texas, Colorado and Oklahoma.

The non-profit organization's board of directors also met in executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

Topping the agenda, the five-member board reviewed the first draft of a proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

By all accounts, the proposed budget would practically mirror the previous budget and contain very few changes.

One of the few budget areas that would change the most would be in the area of expenses related to starting the corporation. Because the corporation is now well established and in operation, new computers, furniture and other expensive items will not have to be purchased.

In October of 1992, the PEDCs first month of its first fiscal year, it spent more than \$12,100 on office equipment. That one expense was almost half of the \$25,519.75 in

total expenditures for the month, according to financial records.

Increase in the budget could come in the areas of insurance, advertising, and dues and memberships.

In addition, the PEDC is going to have to pay the cost of a firm to audit the financial ledgers of the organization. The projected cost could be between \$2,000 and \$2,500, according to Bill Miller, director of the PEDC.

However, board members said they thought the fee was high considering the job and planned to negotiate with the auditing firm when the time comes.

The final draft of the proposed budget is scheduled to be presented at the next meeting of the board of directors. From there, it will travel to City Hall to be reviewed by the City Commission sometime in September, according to Bill Waters, president of the PEDC board.

In other business, the directors discussed a prospect proposal.

A number of regional business people want to open a tannery in Pampa and want assistance, in part, from the PEDC.

Some of the board members had their doubts as to the business and, specifically, regulations that could possibly hurt its operation.

"Something that would be very logi-

cal for us, with the cattle that we have, would be a tannery in this area," said Wayne Stribling, PEDC board member. "But I bet you're talking about mega-bucks just to get it to where the EPA wouldn't just eat them."

Much of the tanning in the world is done in Asia where environmental laws do not exist or are ignored, according to Stribling, who owns and operates a clothing store and, among other things, sells boots and other leather goods.

In other business, the issue of advertising in and competing against area cities for business was discussed.

One board member, Victor Raymond, thought it was not only unnecessary but uncalled for to have one Panhandle city advertise in another Panhandle city for existing businesses.

"Is this the sort of thing that we should do?" Raymond said. "Let's recruit for the area and then we can fight it out among ourselves, I don't appreciate something like this and I don't think that it's appropriate."

Finally, the PEDC directors discussed why other states were doing so well in attracting businesses.

Specifically, board members were talking about the ability of Colorado to attract business from California, among other states.

Landfill legislation could save small towns money

By JEFF CARRUTH
Staff Writer

At least four towns in the eastern Panhandle potentially would have to spend thousands of dollars to keep their landfills open or implement monitoring systems unless Congress passes legislation to keep a set of federal regulations from going back into effect.

Over 150 small communities in West Texas and the Panhandle, including Higgins, Shamrock, McLean and Canadian, could face such a dilemma.

Congressman Bill Sarpalus, D-Amarillo, with 42 co-sponsors, has introduced a bill in the U.S. House of Representatives to suspend Environmental Protection Agency guidelines on monitoring ground water beneath small, arid municipal landfills.

Under current EPA guidelines, communities are required to monitor the ground water beneath such landfills to detect any contamination due to seepage.

Most of these small communities have what are classified as small, arid landfills — disposal sites that take in less than 20 tons of municipal waste daily and are located in areas that receive less than 25 inches of precipitation annually.

Such landfills were made exempt from ground water monitoring requirements through a 1991 change in EPA guidelines. The Texas Water Commission incorporated the change into its rules in June 1993.

However, the EPA exemption was overturned by a District of Columbia court ruling in May making legislation necessary to restore the exemption.

The cost of drilling monitor wells and subsequent chemical testing would force many smaller communities that have not already closed their landfills to shut down their solid waste disposal sites. The towns would then face contracting with a private company or a nearby community to take their solid waste. Also, towns with closed dumps would still be required to carry out a monitoring program.

Sarpalus' press aide Bill Duncan said the cost could be as much as \$100 a household or higher to fulfill the regulations. He said the average cost of drilling each well

would be nearly \$65,000.

Three monitoring wells at each site are called for in the rules. Cities would incur additional costs in testing the water.

"There's no way small towns can afford this monitoring," said Shamrock City Manager Johnny Rhodes.

Shamrock would have to spend at least \$400,000 over the next 20 years to perform ground water sampling, according to an estimate by a analysis firm submitted to Rhodes.

The regulations could also threaten possible new landfills. Rhodes said Shamrock's current landfill will have to close in two years, and the monitoring requirements would prevent the city from constructing a replacement site on land that is already purchased.

Pampa's disposal unit would be a likely recipient of Shamrock's solid waste if the city has to close its site.

Even though Canadian plans to close its landfill in October, the city might still face monitoring costs. The guidelines now in effect call for monitoring to take place for 30 years after a landfill is closed.

McLean is also closing its landfill in October in accordance with EPA regulations, but the city would also face 30 years of monitoring. Fred Smith with the City of McLean said converting existing water wells in the area to monitoring wells, if allowed by the TWC, would cost up to \$20,000.

The relevance of the guidelines to small, arid landfills was an issue in the original exemption and is now a reason behind the proposed legislation.

"People are sensitive to the environment, but there are things not buried at Higgins that are normally buried in urban areas," Duncan said.

Additionally, studies have reported no seepage into ground water from arid dumps due to warm temperatures, low amounts of waste and relatively low levels of precipitation, he said.

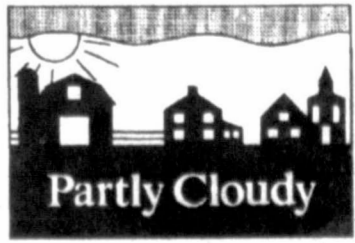
Beyond increased costs to municipalities, there are fears that more landfill closings would result in a dramatic rise in illegal dumping along rural roads and in creek beds.

The City of Pampa's landfill does not fall under the small, arid exemption since it receives more than 20 tons of solid waste daily.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to *The Pampa News* by press time today.

Obituaries

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

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

THURSDAY, July 15

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported an agency assistance call.

Arrests

THURSDAY, July 15

Laura E. Jernigan, 29, 823 S. Barnes, was arrested on a charge of failure to appear.
Leo F. McMahon, 39, address unknown, was arrested on a charge of forgery and an outstanding warrant.

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David Wayne Hargrove, 48, HCR2 Box 359, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense.

Maria L. Blanton, 51, 846 S. Banks, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, first offense.

Accidents

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

THURSDAY, July 15

9:04 a.m. — A 1992 Kamatsu/Dresser Steel Wheeled Roller driven by David Alan Luster, 40, 2501 Rosewood, a heavy equipment operator for the city, was struck by an unidentified vehicle which fled the scene of the accident at the intersection of North Duncan and East 17th Avenue. No injuries were reported. Charges are pending.

1 p.m. — A 1973 Pontiac driven by Johnny Todd Preston, 21, 1031 N. Sumner, collided with a 1991 Chevrolet driven by Janey Murrill Hopson, 57, 2507 Mary Ellen, in the 100 block of West Foster. Hopson reported a possible injury and left by private vehicle. Preston was cited for having no driver's license, having no insurance and following too closely.

3:02 p.m. — A 1971 Buick driven by Barbara Janel Courville, 71, 521 Montagu, collided with a parked 1981 Lincoln owned by Monica Leonard, 413 Jupiter, in the 100 block of North Cuyler. No injuries were reported. Courville was cited for turning when unsafe.

Stocks

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

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

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

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

Amoco.....55 3/8 dn 3/8
Aro.....111 3/4 up 1/4
Cabot.....47 3/8 up 1/4
Cobalt O&G.....23 3/8 dn 3/8

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
Energas.....665-5777
Fire.....911
Police (emergency).....911
Police (non-emergency).....669-5700
SPS.....669-7432
Water.....669-5830

Police report

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

THURSDAY, July 15

Lynda Lou Boulter, 217 Miami, reported disorderly conduct.

Charles Lincoln Smith, 618 N. Christy, reported an aggravated assault.

The city of Pampa reported a hit and run accident. The Texas Pardon and Parole Board requested an outside agency report.

Leonard Ray Mayer, Amarillo, reported lost property.

Aaron Blake Garner, 1901 N. Hamilton, reported a theft.

The city of Pampa reported criminal mischief.

Elizabeth Ann Briggs, 1111 S. Nelson, reported an assault with bodily injury.

One Hour Martinizing, 824 W. Francis, reported criminal mischief.

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D.J. Investments, 1200 block of North Hobart, reported criminal mischief.

Arrest

THURSDAY, July 15

Kelly D. Balay, 30, 618 N. Christy, was arrested at his residence on an outstanding warrant. He was transferred to the Gray County Jail.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions	Ellen Emma Bronner (extended care)
Pampa	Gruver
Andrew Jolly Ackfeld	Charles N. Walker
Dillard Clifton Bayless	McLean
Ellen Emma Bronner	Sasha Danelle Fish and baby girl
Pearl Cox	Shamrock
Kelly Kristeen Haines	Heidi Kathleen Marshall and baby girl
Nicki B. Mercer	SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
Ina B. Reading	Shamrock
Maria Rivera	Bonnie Dodson
Mary Ella Schaffer	Nadine Sims
Winifred R. Sweatt	Inez Gaulding
Birth	Dismissals
To Mr. and Mrs. Isidro Rivera of Pampa, a boy.	Shamrock
Dismissals	No dismissals were reported.
Pampa	
Lloyd L. Hinkle	

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB
Pampa Bridge Club meets at 2 p.m. Sunday in Room 11 at Clarendon College. For a partner, contact Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

THE PLACE
Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

SOUTH SIDE SENIOR CITIZENS MOBILE MEALS
The mobile meals menu for Saturday is navy beans and ham, carrots, cabbage, cornbread and dessert.

ALL-STAR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Registration for All-Star Vacation Bible School is set for 6:30-8 p.m. Saturday at the Bible Church of Pampa, 300 W. Browning. VBS is scheduled for 9 a.m.-noon Monday through Friday at the church. Children 3- through 12-years old are invited.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

THURSDAY, July 15

12:48 p.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a medical assistance call 12 miles east of Pampa on U.S. 60.

7:29 p.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 1200 N. Russell.

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5:53 a.m. — Three units and six firefighters responded to a false alarm at 300 E. Browning.

Jury

"You have to treat the infection, but you can't unclog arteries and change that part of the scenario."

In another exchange between Bhatia and Storrs, the attorney asked, "At the time you were treating Bessie Curtis, you didn't know the difference in this rare Civil War type of gangrene and this type of gangrene?"

"No matter how much you give an antibiotic, sometimes they don't work," Bhatia replied.

"Then you try something else."

"But what do you try?" the physician asked in response.

Earlier Thursday, rebuttal testimony from plaintiff's expert witness, Dr. Andrew Campbell, was read into the trial record. The testimony referred back to Campbell's video deposition concerning two nursing homes where he claimed to have patients.

During the testimony, which plaintiff's attorney Carson Smith and attorney Storrs read aloud, it was revealed that Campbell had not physically visited any nursing home in the last 2 1/2 to three years because he had no nursing home patients.

"I do not go to the nursing home any more," he said.

Campbell does not participate in Medicare or Medicaid, which pays the bills for most nursing home patients. He characterized the programs as time consuming and expensive.

He did insist that he treats nursing home patients who come to his office. Storrs asked him, "How do you charge?"

Campbell replied, "I don't."

The Houston physician told attorney Brown that he had no knowledge of regulations about how patients sign in or out of nursing homes for trips. He said that if a physician doesn't participate in Medicare, his patients may gain admission to a nursing home under the name of the facility's medical director or a physician recommended by the home.

"I have patients from all kinds of nursing homes," Campbell said via deposition.

He continued that he doesn't keep track of what nursing home the patients come from, but Golden Age Manor and Renaissance stuck in his mind. Campbell testified Tuesday that he treated patients in the two Houston facilities. Brown presented testimony Wednesday from the administrators of Golden Age Manor and Renaissance that Campbell did not have patients in their facilities. One administrator claimed not to know who Campbell was.

"Would you agree with me that in the last 2 1/2 to three years you had experience treating patients in nursing homes?" Brown asked.

"Yes," Campbell replied.

McLean ISD's health policy cost increases

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

McLEAN — The premium paid on the health insurance policy for the approximately 40 full-time employees of McLean school district is expected to increase by \$16 per month for the 1993-94 school year, a McLean ISD official said Thursday.

"We felt real fortunate that it was so minor an increase," said the official, Shirley Johnson, business manager of the school district.

Johnson's comments came in the wake of this week's decision by the McLean school board to approve a new health insurance contract with M.D. Physicians of Amarillo for full-time McLean ISD employees. M.D. Physicians is the current provider of employee health insurance to Lefors ISD.

The new health insurance contract, which calls for monthly premiums of \$128.79 per employee, begins Sept. 1 and ends Aug. 31, 1994.

Johnson said she does not know yet how much of the increase in the health insurance premiums will be paid by McLean ISD employees. The McLean school district currently pays \$105.80 a month toward the health insurance premium of each full-time employee in the district, she said.

Also at the school board meeting on Tuesday, McLean ISD trustees approved the hiring of Janet Glass as an elementary school teacher and offered a contract to Sam Browning to serve as social studies teacher at McLean High. Both appointments are for the 1993-94 school year.

Browning is expected to replace

Testimony on Bhatia's behalf Thursday also included the opinions of Dr. Howard Marcus, a general internist from Austin. Marcus testified to being a graduate of Tufts University and its medical school. He is board certified in internal medicine and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians.

Marcus testified that he reviewed the documents provided to him. In his opinion, there is ample evidence that Curtis suffered from severe peripheral vascular disease. Marcus agreed with Dr. Taylor's Wednesday testimony that Curtis's gangrene was the result of lack of blood flow to the tissues. Once the blood stops flowing, he said, infection is likely to follow.

"Did Mrs. Curtis's own body cause ischemic necrosis?" Brown asked.

"Yes," Marcus replied.

He further explained that with peripheral vascular disease, there is a thickening of the capillary wall and the tissue does not receive enough oxygen, nutrition or antibiotics.

About the use of Trental, Marcus said, "I don't think it would have done any good at all." He said it was used for large vessel illness. Marcus reiterated that surgical by-pass was only appropriate for the young, ambulatory patient with large vessel illness.

"Everything in medicine has to be balanced against what you are trying to do for them," the physician said.

He further testified that Curtis was near the end of her life, and with her illness no treatment would help her.

"I don't think you have to be a physician to realize that she was going down hill," Marcus said.

Finally, he emphasized that, in his opinion, Bhatia had not behaved negligently in causing Curtis's gangrene or her death. She died, he said, of a natural phenomenon — poor blood supply.

On cross examination, Storrs asked about Curtis' mental state, leading Marcus to say that she was not in a vegetative state and enjoyed some pleasure in the company of her family.

Closing arguments began about 3 p.m. Thursday. The jury retired at 3:50 p.m. and returned with a verdict at 5:35 p.m.

Following the reading of the verdict, Abbott sat quietly with her attorneys. She declined comment on the outcome.

Upon hearing the result, Bhatia and Brown hugged one another at the defense table. Bhatia wiped tears from his eyes as Judge Lee Waters thanked and dismissed the jury.

Bhatia said, "I'm very pleased and believe justice has been done."

Speaking for CNC, Administrator Chuck Laurent commented, "It was very fair and a very wise decision based on the evidence. It restores my faith in the justice system."

Miami ISD board to discuss budget

MIAMI — Miami school board on Monday is expected to discuss a proposed fiscal 1994 operating budget of about \$1,600,000 — approximately \$20,000 more than last year's operating budget.

Fiscal year 1994 begins Sept. 1.

Also on Monday, the Miami school board is expected to discuss whether it will join other school districts in a court challenge to the constitutionality of Senate Bill 7, the new state educational finance legislation. That legislation calls for redistribution of revenues from wealthier school districts to poorer districts.

The Miami school board meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the regular board meeting room of the central administration office.

Chuck Hill, the social studies teacher of the last two years at McLean High, who died from injuries sustained in a June automobile accident.

In other news from the Lefors school board meeting on Tuesday, McLean ISD trustees:

- Accepted the resignations of Kristie Crockett, Chapter I reading teacher at McLean Elementary School for the 1992-93 school year, and Mary Bybee, a cafeteria cook at McLean ISD for 20 years, effective immediately.

- Decided to advertise for the cook's position vacated by Bybee.

- Approved a \$1,000 bid from Locklear Roofing of Hollis, Okla., for repairing a leak in the roof of the business office. The project is expected to be completed this summer.

- Voted to apply to the U.S. Department of Justice for approval of plans to install a polling place at the former Alanreed school for McLean ISD elections. The portion of the former Alanreed school district lying in Gray County was annexed into McLean school district on July 1.

- Delayed taking a vote on the proposed sale or purchase of school buses. McLean ISD Superintendent Stanley Lamb plans to study the matter further and offer recommendations to the McLean school board.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

FRANK SLAGLE Electric. All electrical services, 665-3748. Adv.

LOST MALE Boxer. Reward 665-5142. Adv.

PERSONAL TOUCH Summer Clearance: Everything 50, 60 or 75% off. Also \$10 rack. 113 N. Cuyler. Adv.

COTTON HARGROVE invites all his friends and former customers to come see him at Brogan's Boozery, 1001 E. Frederic. All Coors \$12.99 suitcase, 12 oz. cans. Adv.

SUMMER CANDLE sale at All Its Charm, 109 W. Francis. Adv.

RESTAURANTE RODRIGUEZ: We now deliver from 11-2 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. Monday-Friday with a \$10 minimum order. In the Pampa Mall, 665-0646. Adv.

MC'S CARWASH, 1811 N. Hobart. 50¢ wash, 25¢ vacuum. Bill changer. Adv.

BODY BY Jeanna, call 665-7500. 2 days a week \$20 month. 30 days \$30 month. 4 days \$40 month. Adv.

WIECK'S SWEET Corn will not be at Farmer's Market this season, due to crop virus. Thank You. Adv.

JO ANN McKay invites you to shop Jo Ann's Creations, 1200 Mary Ellen, 669-2157. Adv.

GOLDEN MALRIN Fly Bait, Fly Catchers, Flea and Tick Spray for inside and outside, all in stock. It's also time to spray for bagworms and grubs. We have what you need for these pests at Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

NEW SEEDLESS watermelons, fresh vine ripe tomatoes, blueberries, good sweet cantaloupe, 1015Y onions, excellent watermelons. Epperson Garden Market, Hwy. 60 East, 665-5000. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, partly cloudy, low near 70. Saturday, partly cloudy and warm with a chance of showers and thunderstorms, high near 90 and low near 70, south winds 10 to 20 mph. Thursday's high was 79 degrees; the overnight low was 67 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows from mid 60s to low 70s. Saturday, partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. High in upper 80s to low 90s. Saturday night, partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows in mid 60s to low 70s. South Plains: Tonight, partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows from near 70 to low 70s. Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. High around 90 to low 90s. Saturday night, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in upper 60s to low 70s.

North Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms southeast. Lows 71 to 77. Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms central and east. High 92 to 99. Saturday night, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 70s. Saturday, partly cloudy with scattered mainly afternoon showers or thunderstorms. High in the 90s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 70s. Coastal Bend: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows from the 70s inland to near 80 coast. Saturday, partly cloudy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. High from the 90s to near 100 inland to the 80s coast.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Tonight through Saturday night, scattered afternoon and early nighttime thunderstorms south and east with partly cloudy skies northwest. Lows tonight and Saturday night mid 40s to 50s mountains with upper 50s to low 70s elsewhere. High Saturday mid 70s to 80s mountains with 80s to mid 90s elsewhere.

Oklahoma — Tonight, fair and mild. Lows in 70s. Saturday, mostly sunny and continued hot. High in 90s.

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how to distribute the personal property, such as typewriters and books, of the former Alanreed school district.

Kennedy said Thursday that the two commissioners courts would be guided by recommendations from the superintendents of McLean, Clarendon, and Hedley school districts in distributing the personal property.

- Approved the giving of 30-day notice of termination of a contract with Government Service Automation Inc. of Nashville, Tenn., on development of a computer system for the Gray County Sheriff's Department.

Gray County Sheriff Randy Stubblefield recommended termination of the contract because of repeated delays by the company and because of unresponsiveness of the company to the training needs of and phone calls from his office.

- Approved the giving of 30-day notice of termination of a contract with Government Service Automation Inc. of Nashville, Tenn., on development of a computer system for the Gray County Sheriff's Department.

Termination of the contract with the company would not affect computer service provided by the firm to several county offices in Gray

County Courthouse, said Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy.

- Officially recognized the national certification of four illicit drug-sniffing dogs used by the Gray County Sheriff's Office.

The drug dogs are owned by Sheriff Stubblefield, Chief Deputy Buck Williams, Deputy Paul Sublett and Deputy David Wilks.

- Approved the appointment of election judges and assistants for 1993 and 1994.

The election judges will be Phondia Sierman, Precinct 1; Helen Ann Cook, Precinct 2; Linda Babcock, Precinct 3; Jeannie Adams, Precinct 4; Bill Graham, Precinct 5; Elmer McLaughlin, Precinct 6; Janice Carter, Precinct 7; Ruth McBride, Precinct 8; Helen Davenport, Precinct 9; Clara Quarry, Precinct 10; Maxine Freeman, Precinct 11; Myrt Leigh, Precinct 12; Elizabeth Meers, Precinct 13; June Elliott, Precinct 14; Dovey Massie, Precinct 15; and Rocky Lucas, early voting and central counting in Gray County Courthouse.

- Held a closed session for about 30 minutes to discuss a pending lawsuit. Upon reconvening, the commissioners took no action on matters discussed during the closed session.

- Delayed taking action on a proposed budget from Gray County Appraisal District.

- Approved a request from District Clerk Yvonne Moler to transfer

funds within her budget in order to pay for the temporary services of Hart Graphics of Austin.

Hart Graphics is expected to develop an inventory of records from the district clerk's office to be filed in the Texas State Library in Austin by Jan. 1, 1995, and to develop a schedule on how long the records of the district clerk's office must be held there.

- Approved the transfer of \$51,187 from the general fund to the salary fund; \$5,752 from the FM&LR fund to the R&B #1 fund; \$12,983 from the FM&LR fund to the R&B #2 fund; \$12,154 from the FM&LR fund to the R&B #3 fund; and \$12,470 from the FM&LR fund to the R&B #4 fund.

- Approved the payment of \$132,146 in salaries and \$115,713 in bills.

- Approved the transfer within the Precinct 2 budget of \$4,000 from the fuel fund to the road materials fund and \$500 from the fuel fund to the signs and hardware fund.

- Approved the transfer within the Precinct 1 budget of \$78 from the auto liability fund to the bond premium fund.

- Approved a request by American Gathering, L.P., headquartered in Houston, to install a four-inch pipeline under a county road that lies southwest of the Pampa-area Hoechst Celanese chemical facility.

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Hutchison releases phone records, hires attorney

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A high profile Washington attorney says he has been hired to help clarify "false information" that has evolved during an investigation of the state Treasury under the leadership of U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

John Dowd, an attorney who has represented political figures involved in the "Keating Five" and the Iran-Contra investigations, said his hiring by Mrs. Hutchison's husband, Ray, last week doesn't mean he anticipates criminal charges against the state's first-ever woman senator.

Dowd said his role will be to help clarify "distorted leaks" that have been put out about Mrs. Hutchison's leadership of the Treasury.

The Travis County district attorney's office began a grand jury investigation into allegations of wrongdoing at the agency during Hutchison's tenure, including claims by some former employees that they did political work on state time.

"Control over this matter will not be by the leakers who want to put out false and distorted information," said Dowd, who represented former Major League Baseball Commissioner Bart Giamatti in a case against star player Pete Rose.

"The issue the way I see it here is whether people who choose to distort and disseminate false information can nullify an election of a United States senator. She asked me to help put together the facts."

Dowd, who also served as the lawyer for U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., in the savings and loan scandal known as the Keating Five, was

announced as Hutchison's attorney as she released private phone records subpoenaed by the grand jury.

Hutchison, a Republican elected senator June 5, has called the probe a politically-motivated campaign by Democrat district attorney Ronnie Earle to smear her name before she seeks reelection next year.

Until Thursday, Hutchison had refused to release records from the private line she claims was installed in January 1991, when she took office as treasurer, and was disconnected in August 1992.

Hutchison said because she paid for the more than 7,400 calls over a 19-month period, they were not subject to the state's open records law.

"We are putting it all out on the table," said campaign spokesman David Beckwith. "The phone logs, we continue to believe are not subject to the open records law. The phone logs are the result of a private arrangement she had to lease the line. She paid for all the charges herself."

The total time spent on the calls ranged from 300 to 1,400 minutes per month — between 15 and 73 minutes per day.

Most of the calls were made by Hutchison, Beckwith said, adding that other Treasury employees had access to the line.

Beckwith said the calls went primarily to set up appearances made by Hutchison around the state. Some were personal, such as calls to her doctor, and a fraction were associated with political fund-raising, Beckwith said.

State law forbids public officials to use their office for non-state business.

"It's classic that in her attempt to make sure

nothing goes wrong, she gets a private line and now it's under investigation," he said. "Most officials would make those calls on a state phone and let the taxpayers pick up the tab."

Dowd said he did not want Hutchison to be victimized by negative reports stemming from a grand jury investigation he called frivolous.

"The problem is you have a public person just elected to office. I think it's incumbent for her to address these matters rather than wait and allow other forces to play the game or falsely distort leaks," Dowd said.

"So we simply wanted to prepare the facts based on all the allegations and rumors that we know of. We are going to gather those facts, organize them and publish them."

Meanwhile, the Travis County district attorney's office tried Thursday to obtain records from a former state Treasury employee who has acknowledged doing political work on state time at the agency.

In a hearing in state district court, first assistant district attorney Steve McCleery submitted a motion to force former Treasury planning director David Criss to turn over an undisclosed document.

The grand jury subpoenaed all documents relating to Criss's employment at the treasurer's office as part of its investigation.

Criss and his attorney, Charlie Burton, have said they believe the document is privileged from disclosure to the grand jury, McCleery said. Burton refused to comment after the hearing, saying, "It's a grand jury matter."

District Judge Mike Lynch said he would consider the motion and call a hearing possibly next week.



(AP photo by Henry Bargas, Amarillo Globe-News)
Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary, right, and Rep. Bill Sarpalus answer questions at a press conference Thursday after a tour of the Pantex plant.

Energy secretary tours Pantex, pledges to return in September

By JEAN PAGEL
Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO (AP) — Milo farmer Jim Osborne worries that his giant neighbor, the Pantex nuclear weapons plant, one day might contaminate the soil or use up all the region's water.

Osborne and other citizens heard Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary ask Thursday for their help shaping Pantex's future.

Ms. O'Leary also met with workers on a tour of the facility, which is the primary place where U.S. nuclear weapons are built and disassembled. Bunkers at Pantex also store plutonium "pits" on an interim basis.

"I think we all have the same goals in mind," O'Leary told a diverse group of local leaders. "One, to ensure that the work here goes on, and goes on in a manner that takes into account the requirements for the safety, the continued health and benefit of the individuals working here and the citizens nearby."

O'Leary mostly sat back and observed during the group's 45-minute discussion about how to form a Pantex advisory committee.

No one can exactly define the "site-specific advisory board" in terms of makeup or authority. But the group decided to name its members by Sept. 15.

Ideally, the proposed advisory board would make suggestions to the Department of Energy about

matters at Pantex, located 17 miles northeast of Amarillo.

Pantex — like other DOE facilities — stands at a crossroads as federal officials decide how to reconfigure the U.S. weapons complex. Possibilities include expansion, which concerns some Pantex critics who worry about environmental risks.

Thursday's group of about 30 people included officials from the state and city, as well as schools, churches and the Chamber of Commerce. It operated somewhat like a headless but amicable beast.

Those at the discussion expressed a cart-before-the-horse concern: That the new advisory board couldn't do much without knowing what the DOE has in mind for Pantex.

"You're trying to form a group ... before you really know what's going to go on here," said Bill O'Brien, a member of the group Operation Common Sense.

"You've got to decide," O'Leary said later.

The group agreed to select the advisory board's members with the help of the Keystone Group, a Colorado-based organization that coordinates such tasks. Officials say this Pantex board would be the first in the nation that advises the DOE on matters besides environmental hazards and waste storage.

"This is the template for the nation and I burn to get it done," O'Leary said, pledging to return in September.

Lawyers want Krueger's federal judge picks overturned

HOUSTON (AP) — Some area lawyers want the Texas congressional delegation to re-evaluate former interim Sen. Bob Krueger's choices for federal judge vacancies.

U.S. Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Beaumont, and U.S. Rep. Craig Washington, D-Houston, have received letters and phone calls regarding recommendations for judicial nominations in the Houston-based Southern District of Texas.

Krueger, the Democrat defeated by Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison last month, had said his recommendations to President Clinton would stand whether or not he was elected.

But Washington, a lawyer, who also serves on the House Judiciary Committee, told The Associated Press Thursday the recommendation process should start over.

"As far as I'm concerned, all bets are off and the floor is open to nominations," Washington said.

With Hutchison's election, both of the state's U.S. senators are now Republican and future recommendations to Clinton are expected to be made by Brooks, the state's ranking Democratic House member and chairman of the House Judiciary Committee.

Sharon Matts, a Brooks spokeswoman in Washington, said the congressman has no plans to open up the selection process and Krueger's recommendations would be honored.

However, Ms. Matts emphasized it is the president who ultimately decides who will be nominated for the lifetime appointments.

David A. Jones, a Houston attorney, recently sent a letter to Wash-

ington asking him to review the system used to fill the vacancies.

Jones also urged Washington to assist in having state District Judge Lupe Salinas of Houston reconsidered for a nomination to the federal bench.

After the election, Salinas wrote a letter to Brooks reiterating his interest in a nomination if the recommendations are re-evaluated or another vacancy occurs.

Renato Santos, president of the local Mexican-American Bar Association, said the group will be contacting Brooks to urge that Salinas be considered for any future opening.

Santos, however, emphasized that he was not asking Brooks to reopen the selection process.

Family District Court Judge John Peavy said he has not contacted

Brooks about a re-evaluation of the selection process.

However, Peavy said friends and supporters have written to the Texas congressional delegation asking that his name be reconsidered for a federal judgeship.

Those recommended by Krueger in May for district judgeships in the 43-county Southern District of Texas were Alice Oliver-Parrott and Vanessa Gilmore of Houston, Janis Graham Jack of Corpus Christi and Mario Ramirez of Edinburg.

For seats on the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, Krueger also has referred to the White House the names of U.S. District Judges Robert Parker of Tyler, George Kazen of Laredo, Corpus Christi lawyer Jorge Rangal and Judge Morris Overstreet of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Authorities investigate identities of babies involved in drug bust

LAREDO (AP) — Authorities say nine babies who were used to make drug-transporting cars look unsuspecting are now in the care of the state child-protection agency.

Many of their parents, however, are charged with smuggling marijuana in an elaborate scheme to make themselves look like vacationing families.

"It's very strange," Webb County sheriff's spokesman Luis Meza said. Authorities spent Thursday trying to sort out which child belonged to which parent.

None of the nine children belonged to the drivers or passengers of the car they were in, said Jose M. Martinez, chief sheriff's deputy.

But an investigation has determined that at least six of the children had a parent in one of the other cars seized in separate stops on Tuesday and Wednesday, Martinez said.

Martinez said he wasn't sure about the other three children. All nine children, ranging from 2 months and 3 years old, were turned over to the child-protection division of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

"We can assure you that the kids are safe and their needs are being met," said Ramiro Soto Jr., the agency's child-protection supervisor in Webb County.

Citing confidentiality policies, Soto declined to disclose whether the parents had been found for all the children.

The agency's normal procedure when parents are jailed is to place the children in homes of suitable relatives or with foster parents, Soto said.

U.S. Customs and Border Patrol agents seized nearly 400 pounds of marijuana in secret compartments of the four cars, all Chevrolet Celebrities, that crossed the Colombia-Solidarity International Bridge in intervals on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The adults, all from Chicago, each were charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute. They were held on \$125,000 bond each.

The sheriff's department identified the adults as Jose Hernandez Torres, 24; Sylvia Lequizaro Arroyo, 22; Isidoro Granada, 43; Hector Sotello Trujillo, 23; Alejandra Lequizaro Martinez, 24; Carlos Cruz Rodriguez, 35; Gracie Garcia, 20; Francisco Arroyo, 34; and Yaquian Manrique, 32.

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Gunman shoots Yosemite Park ranger

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — About 1,500 people were evacuated from Yosemite National Park as authorities searched for a gunman who wounded a ranger.

Ranger Kim Aufhauser, 37, was wounded in the leg and hit by two other shots that would have killed him if not for his bulletproof vest, the California Highway Patrol said. He was released from a hospital Thursday.

He was shot Wednesday night when he got out of his patrol car on a deserted mountain road to investigate a report of a man acting strangely. Aufhauser returned fire, but it wasn't known whether he hit his assailant.

Park spokeswoman Lisa Daprich said authorities believed the gunman might be a suspect in a fatal shooting in Gardnerville, Nev.

Most of the 53-square-mile park remained opened. Some campers were irritated by being made to leave. "They don't close Oakland every day," said Chad Williams of Santa Cruz, referring to the California city with a high rate of violence.

But 14 tourists from Europe who were turned away at the park's gates said they'd rather be safe than sorry.

"They accept that something terrible has happened and they realize that even if they want to go, they can't," said tour guide Denny Van Geldorp.

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Let Peace Begin With Me

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Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

Louise Fletcher
Publisher

Texas Editorials

El Paso Times on Spanish insurance policies:
Texas law requires all drivers to carry vehicle liability insurance, but someone who speaks only Spanish cannot now buy a policy that he or she can read.

That is about to change for the better. Within two months, the State Insurance Board is expected to approve Spanish-language versions of the basic policies sold in Texas for use by insurance companies.

Soon after, insurance companies will be required to provide policies in Spanish to people who ask for them.

It was not a step that insurance companies volunteered to take. The Insurance Board ordered it after hearing a few consumer complaints and some statistics.

"Census figures show that 3.5 million or 22 percent of Texans speak Spanish in the home and that 750,000 report that they are not fluent in English," state Insurance Department spokesman Rafael Ayuso said. ... Some people — and insurance companies — are bound to complain that the requirement represents some official acceptance of Spanish. In fact, it is just an acknowledgement of reality.

As the Insurance Department's Associate Commissioner for Consumer Service Rob Schneider said, "This is not to make Spanish an official language, just to facilitate communication. That's all."

San Angelo Standard-Times on school milk program:
Give the kids what they want even when they'd be better off without it.

That's sometimes claimed to be holy writ in the catechism of permissive child-rearing decreed so fervently by traditionalists (as well as others who realize the value of saying no even in a laid-back society).

The 1994 agriculture appropriations bill that came out of committee last month said no longer would school districts that take part in the federal lunch program be required to give the moppets a choice between skim, low-fat, whole or chocolate milk. But, some dairy state lawmakers did nip-ups over depriving kids of that fat, even though Congress itself has urged schools to cut back on fats in pupils' diets.

Floor debate became high-flown, invoking a "freedom of choice" right that is laughable in most minds. But it worked. Youngsters can have it their way. And you do understand that the 2-to-1 House vote was based on basic rights, not on the fact that the dairy states want markets for all that delicious, artery-clogging cream.

Austin American-Statesman on State's school textbooks:
Contrary to the cliché, ignorance is not bliss.

Like curriculum, Texas textbooks must be based on reality if they are to have any meaning to students. A most important example is health textbooks. Those books cannot ignore human sexuality. ...

Books the state board ultimately selects for secondary health courses must balance concerns of parents who are worried their children will be unduly influenced and the needs of students who must be well-informed about the life and death choices they confront daily. The scale must tip in favor of education.

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U.S. shouldn't be preaching



William F. Buckley Jr.

There is something a little forlorn about the president of the United States lecturing to his audience in Japan about what Japan should do to help the United States cope with problems the president of the United States can't cope with because vested American interests won't let him do so.

What interests? They are legion as Ross Perot claims, though his nostrums are flaky. But the sovereign "interest" in America is ideological. For instance, that class-division, collectivist-oriented perspective that animates the persistent attacks on Reaganism. They read as attacks in *Pravda* used to do when discussing bourgeois economic practices. Such analyses were frequently introduced with the phrase, "As is well known" Whenever that phrase appeared, you could absolutely predict that what followed would be false. As in, "As is well known, babies are born with 11 fingers."

The New York Times serves as a kind of tuning fork for these economic solecisms who can't pronounce the word "Reagan" without condemning his economics. But you have to hand it to the gray lady: Every now and again, she permits a little blast in her own columns very much at her expense.

Thus a letter from a Steven L. Eber of Coral Gables, Fla., identified only as an "investment adviser." We do not doubt that is what he is, but he is also an archivist of *New York Times* editorials on the economy, and here is one he quoted from Oct. 2, 1990, which was on the eve of the enactment of the new tax law that loosed George Bush's lips and perhaps cost him the election.

Here is what we were being urged to do in those days, not in any way different from what Bill Clinton is urging us to do today:

"The budget agreement between congressional

leaders and the Bush administration," *The New York Times* told the world, "cuts defense too little. It increases energy taxes too little. It taxes rich families too little. Even so, the coarse compromise would cut the deficit by half a trillion dollars in five years. ... The best part of the package is what it will not do. It won't throw the economy into recession."

What then happened was not a decrease of a half-trillion in the deficit but an increase of \$700 billion; not a boom, but a two-year recession from which we haven't fully emerged.

This time around (June 25), *The New York Times* encourages Clinton's approach, distinguishing it from what happened under Reagan, when "social divisions sharpened and attitudes toward suffering took on a Dickensian hardness." Under Reagan, per capita spending on all anti-poverty programs (using constant dollars) was \$462, up from \$367 when he took over from Jimmy Carter. "Cravenly eyeing the 1994 elections, Mr. Dole and the Senate Republicans are peddling a tired and dangerous vision that can only add to the deficit that piled up while Ronald Reagan led the country into the land of dreamy dreams."

It is certainly a dreamy statistic for *The Times/Clinton* that in the last term under Reagan,

the deficit didn't climb. It went down from \$212 billion to \$153 billion. As for counting on more revenue by raising the taxes of the wealthy — e.g., on capital gains — here are some historical figures. The capital-gains tax rate was reduced from 48 percent to 20 percent between 1978 and 1982, resulting in an upswing in capital-gains tax receipts. Effective Jan. 1, 1987, the tax rate was raised. Within four years, notwithstanding a stock market high that year (1991), capital-gains taxes diminished to \$20 billion, from a peak of \$53 billion, 1986.

One wonders whether Japanese officials won't look back with nostalgia at when visiting American presidents spewed forth the contents of their stomachs, over against the contents of their minds.

Clinton is in Japan and fancies himself to be there with a hugely added moral leverage, now that he has triumphed in Congress with his new budget bill. The reaction to Clintonomics the day after the president arrived in Tokyo was a fall of 34 points in the stock market and renewed signs of inflation. This is hardly calculated to increase the prestige of the president arriving in Japan and giving the air of someone who had just triumphed over economic forces back home and is prepared to do as much for Japan.

What would cause an international surge in the economy would be an obituary column in *The New York Times* reading roughly as follows:

"RIP. All editors of *The New York Times* who have written editorials on the economy since the departure of Henry Hazlitt and Roger Starr. They passed away yesterday at various sanatoria in which they attempted to recover from the effects of reading scrapbooks containing their prescriptions for the U.S. economy. Services will be held in New York Harbor, featuring fireworks."

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Friday, July 16, the 197th day of 1993. There are 168 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On July 16, 1945, the United States exploded its first experimental atomic bomb, in the desert of Alamogordo, N.M.

On this date:
In 1790, the District of Columbia was established as the seat of the U.S. government.

In 1862, David G. Farragut became the first rear admiral in the U.S. Navy.

In 1918, 75 years ago, Russia's Czar Nicholas II, his empress and their five children were executed by the Bolsheviks.

In 1935, the first parking meters were installed, in Oklahoma City.

In 1951, the novel *The Catcher in the Rye* by J.D. Salinger was first published.

In 1957, Marine Maj. John Glenn set a transcontinental speed record when he flew a jet from California to New York in three hours, 23 minutes and eight seconds.



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The latter can take over and destroy the very foundation of your house, so you delay no longer.

You call off the party and call in the cleaners and the painters and the fumigators.

Then, as a kindness to any guests who might arrive uninvited, you hang a sign on the doors, front and back, CLOSED FOR SPRING CLEANING.

Now the workmen can get to the spoiled carpet and you can begin culling the accumulation in the attic, cleaning cobwebs from garage corners — and you can get to those closets!

Even as your homestead demands periodic maintenance,



Paul Harvey

repair and renovation, our homeland does also. It is now none too soon and almost too late for us to post a public notice at our nation's borders, facing outward in all directions: CLOSED FOR SPRING CLEANING.

No further immigration of any kind from anywhere until we can provide a proper welcome.

Our homeland has established a unique precedent in world history, welcoming into what seemed a limitless expanse of limitless resources any who knocked at our door.

But they have begun coming without knocking.

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Last budget attempt was wrong, too

Walter Mears AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Challenged for proof that President Clinton's deficit control plan really will work, his budget chief pointed to the last attempt, the deal George Bush made and came to rue.

Without it, budget director Leon Panetta said, the deficit situation now would be a lot worse. So this administration will be using tools that worked in the 1990 budget agreement.

Senate and House Democrats will have to bridge some tax and spending disputes in negotiations that began Thursday. But Sen. George Mitchell said that's not unusual — there have always budget differences to be negotiated.

And there's a budget every year. Neither budget bargaining nor deficit control efforts are new to the people trying to shape this one, although the circumstances are different.

This budget plan is crucial for Clinton because it is his first, his effort to change the U.S. economic course after 12 years of Republican administration and divided rule. He's made it his central issue, even gaining an endorsement in the closing communique at the Tokyo economic summit for his "strong actions, which have been long overdue in the United States" to curb deficit spending.

The president and the Democrats vowed to end gridlock in Washington; this month they have to prove they can. It's their show and their problem; the Clinton budget got no Republican votes in either the House or the Senate, and that party line

is likely to hold against the final compromise.

"We're on our own," said Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, so Senate and House Democrats are going to have to make sure the find terms that can gain the votes to pass on both sides of the Capitol.

They barely made it the first time, when each branch drafted its own budget. After Vice President Al Gore broke a Senate tie to pass the budget there, he said the margins will be extremely narrow on the final version, too.

Moynihan said on NBC there will be an agreement on terms that can pass Congress because to reject this budget would amount to closing down the presidency.

Well, not quite, but it certainly would be a major setback for a president earlier beset by minor ones and would add to uncertainty about the economy.

And uncertainty already inhibits some business decisionmakers, said Laura D'Andrea Tyson, chairwoman of the Council of Economic Advisors.

"I think there really is ... a waiting to see, well, will they actually get a budget plan, will this actually hold?" she told the steelworkers union Mon-

day. "If it were not to actually hold, if we did not get a plan — which I am sure we will — interest rates might go back up..."

Beyond the plan, of course, there's the question of execution. With overall budgets, then appropriations to run the government, up for action every year, a deal is only as solid as its last majority.

That prompted Panetta's ironic reminder of the budget deal Bush made and later called his worst mistake. To get it, he reneged on his read-my-lips pledge against new taxes and the reversal plagued Bush all the way to his losing 1992 campaign. Deficits went up anyhow.

Clinton wants deficits curbed by \$500 billion over five years. He's had problems with conservative Democrats on taxes and with liberals on spending cuts. Panetta, who helped negotiate the 1990 budget deal as a Democratic congressman, said the Clinton plan uses the some of the same deficit restraints. "They have proven they work," he said.

The 1990 deal forbid new spending or tax cuts unless they were offset to avoid adding to the deficit. It set ceilings and barred the use of savings in one account to spend more in another.

"The bottom line here is that the deficit would have been \$500 billion worse had we not done the '90 agreement," Panetta said on CNN. "Now we're going to use the same tools in this agreement to get the additional \$500 billion we need for deficit reduction."

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Eight arrested in alleged white supremacist plot to foment race war

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Eight skinheads were arrested in an alleged plot to foment race war by blowing up a black church and assassinating Rodney King.

The suspects — members of a neo-Nazi group called the Fourth Reich Skin Heads — were arrested in raids in four Southern California counties Thursday.

The plotters wanted to "help start a race war," FBI agent Charlie Parsons said. "We prevented despicable and violent acts from occurring."

The alleged ringleader, Chris Fisher, and his young followers discussed assassinating King on Aug. 4, when the two policemen convicted of violating the black motorist's civil rights were to be

sentenced, law enforcement officials said.

"Fisher said he had been thinking of targeting a baseball player or Rodney King," according to court papers.

"Fisher said he felt King would be a better target." No ballplayers were mentioned by name in the court papers.

The white supremacists also allegedly planned to bomb the First African Methodist Episcopal Church in South Central Los Angeles and mow down its members with machine-gun fire.

They also talked of assassinating such figures as New York activist Al Sharpton, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and rap music star Eazy-E, the FBI said.

At a news conference, federal agents displayed Uzi machine guns, pipe bombs, rifles and handguns, as well as Nazi uniforms and pictures of Adolf Hitler.

"I never feel safe," King told reporters Thursday. The acquittal in state court of the four white officers charged in his beating touched off last year's riots.

"I, like many other persons, do feel a little frightened when threats are made," King said, "but this is one chapter in my life that I'd like to shut the door on."

In a 1 1/2-year investigation, an undercover FBI agent was introduced to Fisher's group by an informant posing as a clergyman for a white supremacist church.

The agent was so convincing that

he persuaded the skinheads to entrust him with their guns and bombs for safekeeping, authorities said.

Fisher, 20, of Long Beach, was the only one charged specifically with conspiring to attack the church, a major hub for South Central's black community.

Five other adults were charged with weapons offenses: Jeremy Rineman, 22, and Jill Scarborough, 22, both of Orange County; Josh Lee, 23, of Costa Mesa; and Chris Nadal, 35, and his wife, Doris Nadal, 42, of Los Angeles.

Two unidentified minors also were arrested, but the charges weren't disclosed.

Fisher, Lee and Nadal were held without bail.

Mrs. Nadal was freed on \$25,000. Rineman and Scarborough were released without bail.

Nadal is a flight engineer for Continental Airlines and was suspended Thursday without pay. His wife is a real estate saleswoman.

The other suspects' occupations were not immediately known.

Fisher was arrested as he and two juveniles were preparing a letter bomb intended for an Orange County rabbi, authorities said.

Court papers said Fisher boasted of a Feb. 12 pipe bomb attack on the home of a member of the Spur Posse, the Lakewood high school gang of athletes accused of sexually assaulting girls for points. The bomb damaged the home but injured no one.

Fisher said the posse member was targeted "because he was half Asian and half Mexican and ... he embarrassed the white race," court papers said.

Fisher also told undercover agents he had thrown a Molotov cocktail at a synagogue without causing damage, and bragged of a pipe bomb attack on a black man in the city's Paramount district, according to court papers.

It was not immediately known if the man was hurt.

Despite their bloody plans, the group was "unsophisticated," Parsons said.

For instance, Parsons said, members didn't know, despite weeks of publicity, that Nelson Mandela visited the church a week ago.

Surgeon general's nomination put on hold

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nomination of Joycelyn Elders as surgeon general was put on hold for a week as questions were raised over her role on an Arkansas bank board, her family's taxes and her continued acceptance of a state salary while working as a consultant in Washington.

Elders' Senate confirmation hearing had been scheduled to begin today, but was postponed at least until late next week. The 59-year-old head of the Arkansas' state health agency already had been under fire from conservatives for her outspoken views on abortion, birth control and sex education.

The White House reiterated its support of Elders late Thursday and said the delay of Senate hearings would give her "an opportunity to provide thorough answers to any outstanding questions."

"President Clinton is 100 percent committed to Mrs. Elders' nomination and looks forward to her timely confirmation," White House press secretary Dee Dee Myers said in a written statement.

Reports surfaced this week about the failure of her family to pay Social Security taxes on a nurse for her 97-year-old mother-in-law and about her role as a past member of the board of the National Bank of Arkansas. She and other former directors were sued for alleged mismanagement and settled out of court recently.

Concern about the Arkansas banking matter was cited as the reason for the delay in confirmation hearings by the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee.

"The added time will enable the committee to obtain and review banking documents in the possession of the comptroller of the currency that will clarify outstanding issues," said a statement by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., the panel's chairman, and Sen. Nancy Kassebaum of Kansas, its ranking Republican member.

The lawsuit accused the former directors of the National Bank of Arkansas, including Elders, of negligent mismanagement, lending and investment practices.

The suit brought by the bank and its parent company against the former directors sought to recover \$1.5 million in losses and bad loans allegedly made in violation of the National Banking Act.

The suit was settled, but terms were not disclosed.

Curtis Bowman, an attorney for the former directors, said it would have been expensive and time-consuming to go to trial, so a "judgment was made by all my clients to settle the case on terms they felt were favorable to them, and the bank apparently felt they could live with as well."

Meanwhile, the White House said its general

counsel was looking into Elders continuing to draw a salary as an Arkansas state employee while working as a \$550-a-day consultant at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

She has worked two days a week as a paid consultant at HHS since April. During that time she has been on vacation status from her state job.

State officials said there apparently was no prohibition against Elders working a second job as long as she was doing it on her vacation time. But Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker said Wednesday through a spokesman that he had been unaware of the double salary and didn't approve of it.

Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., who opposes Elders' nomination because of her pro-abortion views, said the Senate should determine whether any state law was being violated by the taking of two salaries.

The attacks on Elders drew a sharp response from Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., who said Elders' critics were resorting to "innuendo" and "attempts at character assassination."

The surgeon general is the top uniformed official of the U.S. Public Health Service and a key adviser in development of a national health policy, including the protection and advancement of Americans' physical and mental health.

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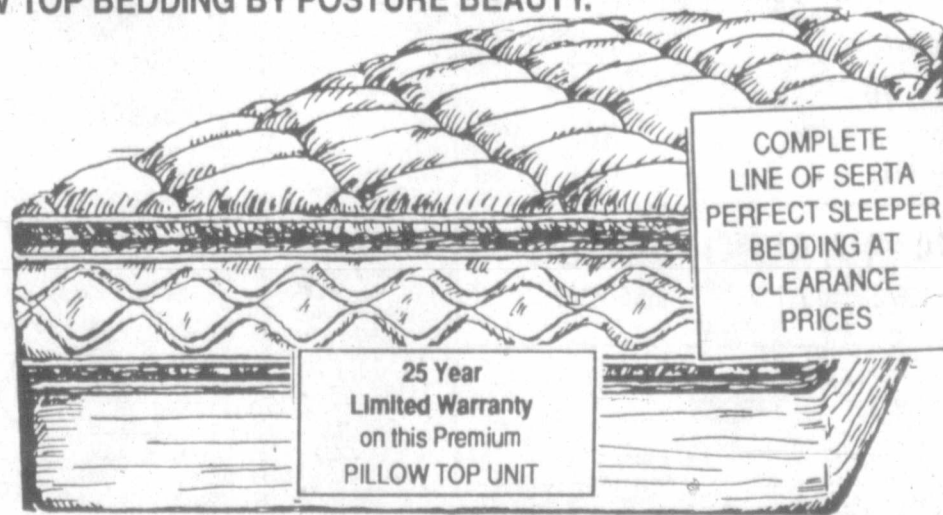
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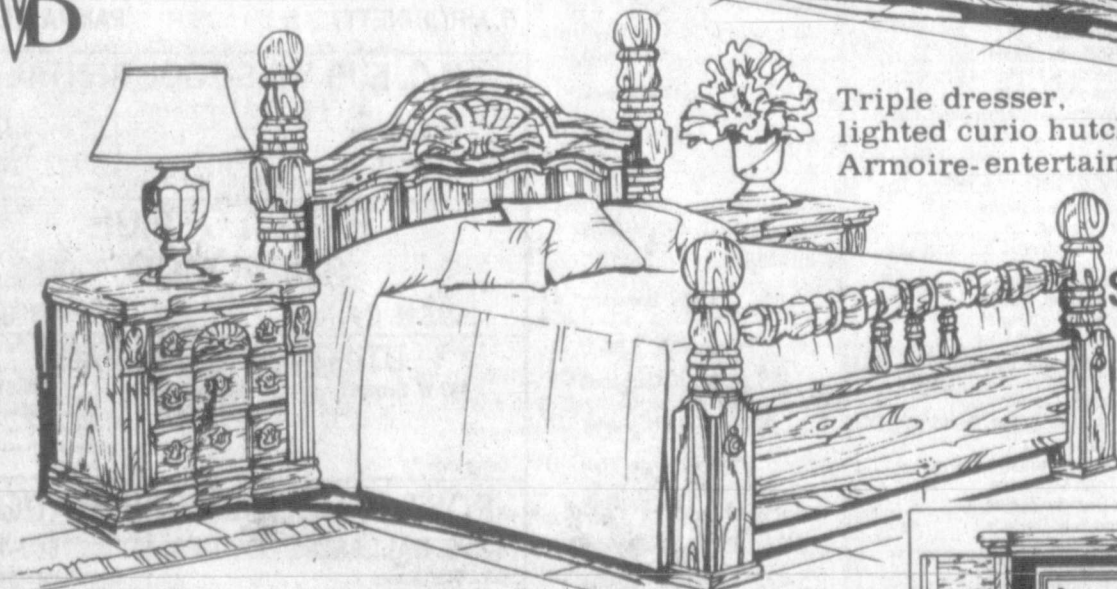
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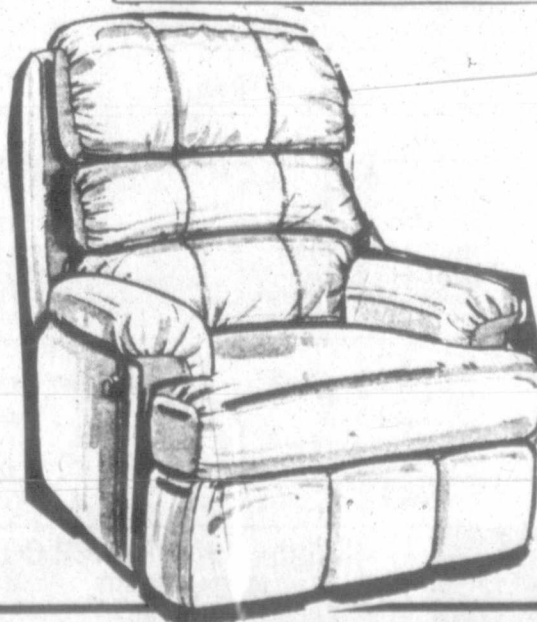
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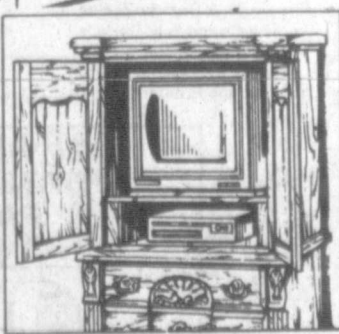


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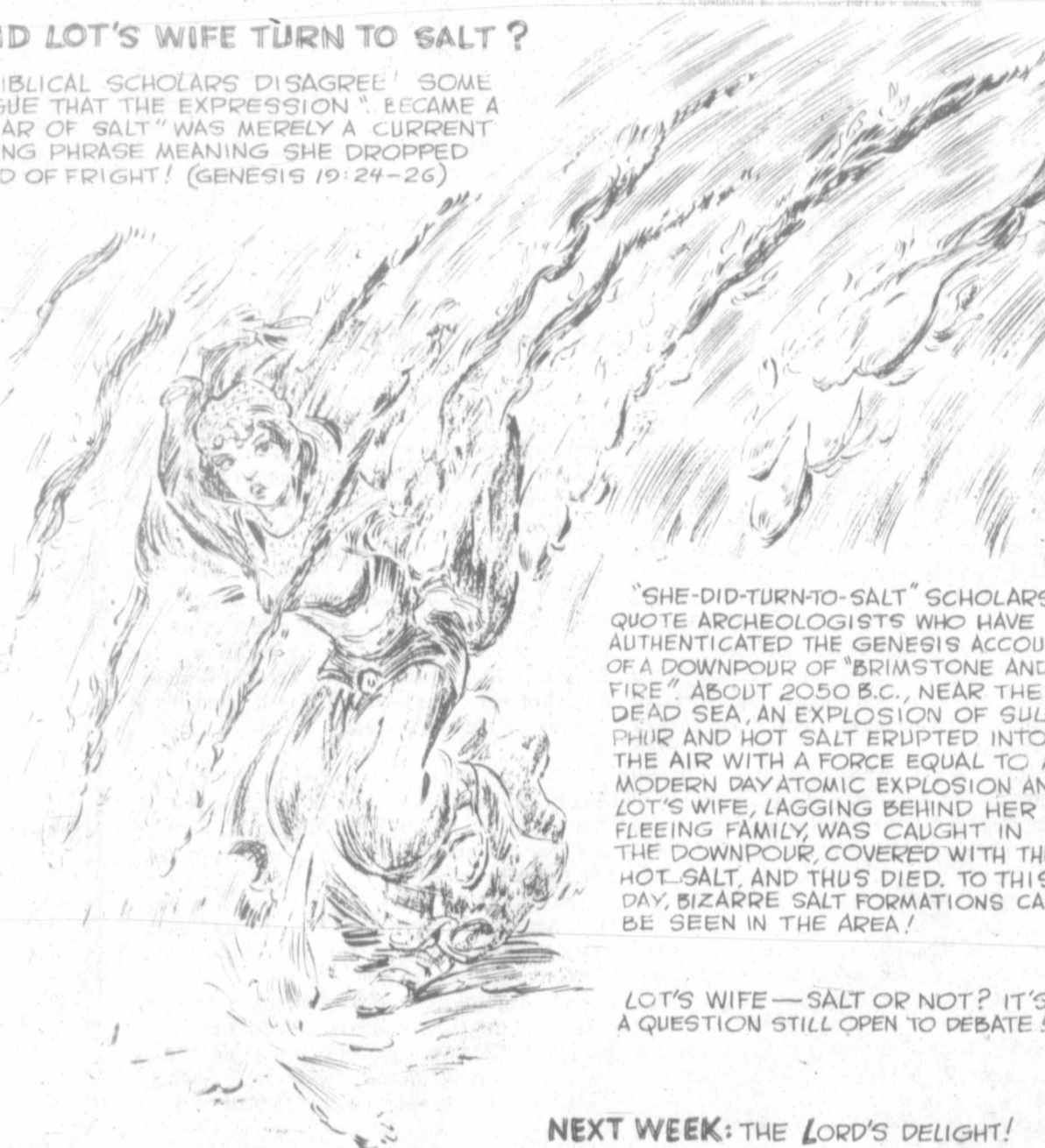
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Historic Fort Worth church founded by black cowboys

By JIM JONES
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Fort Worth was a cattle center and outpost on the Chisholm Trail in 1868 when a small group of former slaves began meeting in homes and formed the Morning Chapel Christian Methodist Episcopal Church.

Many of the African-Americans who formed the congregation, known as the "Old Rock Church on the Corner," are thought to have been cowboys and drovers involved in the cattle business, said Gertrude Johnson, who has delved into her church's history.

"An estimated one-third of the 35,000 men who drove cattle along the Shawnee, Chisholm, Western and other trails in 1867 were blacks who had learned roping and branding as slaves," she says in a history of the church.

Other African-Americans were drawn to frontier Fort Worth as they sought new opportunities, Johnson said.

The pioneer church recently observed its 125th anniversary.

With limited funds the congregation first purchased property for a frame structure at Sixth and Crump streets. It was replaced by a rock building in 1884, Johnson said.

But when the Cotton Belt Railroad came through in 1907, the line bought the church's original site. The building was dismantled and rebuilt at the church's present site at Third Street and Crump, Johnson

said. Norville Stewart, 80, has attended the church since his infancy.

"It was back in the horse and buggy days that I first remember coming here to church," Stewart said. "There were no cars. My father drove us to church in a buggy from the South Side."

The Rev. W.E. Stone, pastor for 14 years, said Morning Chapel, which has about 500 members, spawned five other Fort Worth congregations and also set up one of the first schools for African-American children inside its walls.

Businesses and residential areas surrounded the church.

"That area was the center of black Fort Worth at one time," Stone said, noting that some members are attempting to designate it as a historical district.

The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, which has 1 million members in the United States, Africa, the Caribbean and elsewhere, was created out of the old, predominantly white Methodist Episcopal Church South in 1870, Stone said.

Before slaves were freed, blacks who were part of the Methodist Episcopal Church South worshiped with their masters in segregated services. African-American were required to sit in balconies or other sections apart from white worshippers, Stone said.

"We petitioned to get out of the Methodist Episcopal Church South in 1866, a year after slavery ended,

so we could have some freedom of religious expression," the pastor said. Now the denomination, originally called Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, operated five colleges, including Texas College in Tyler.

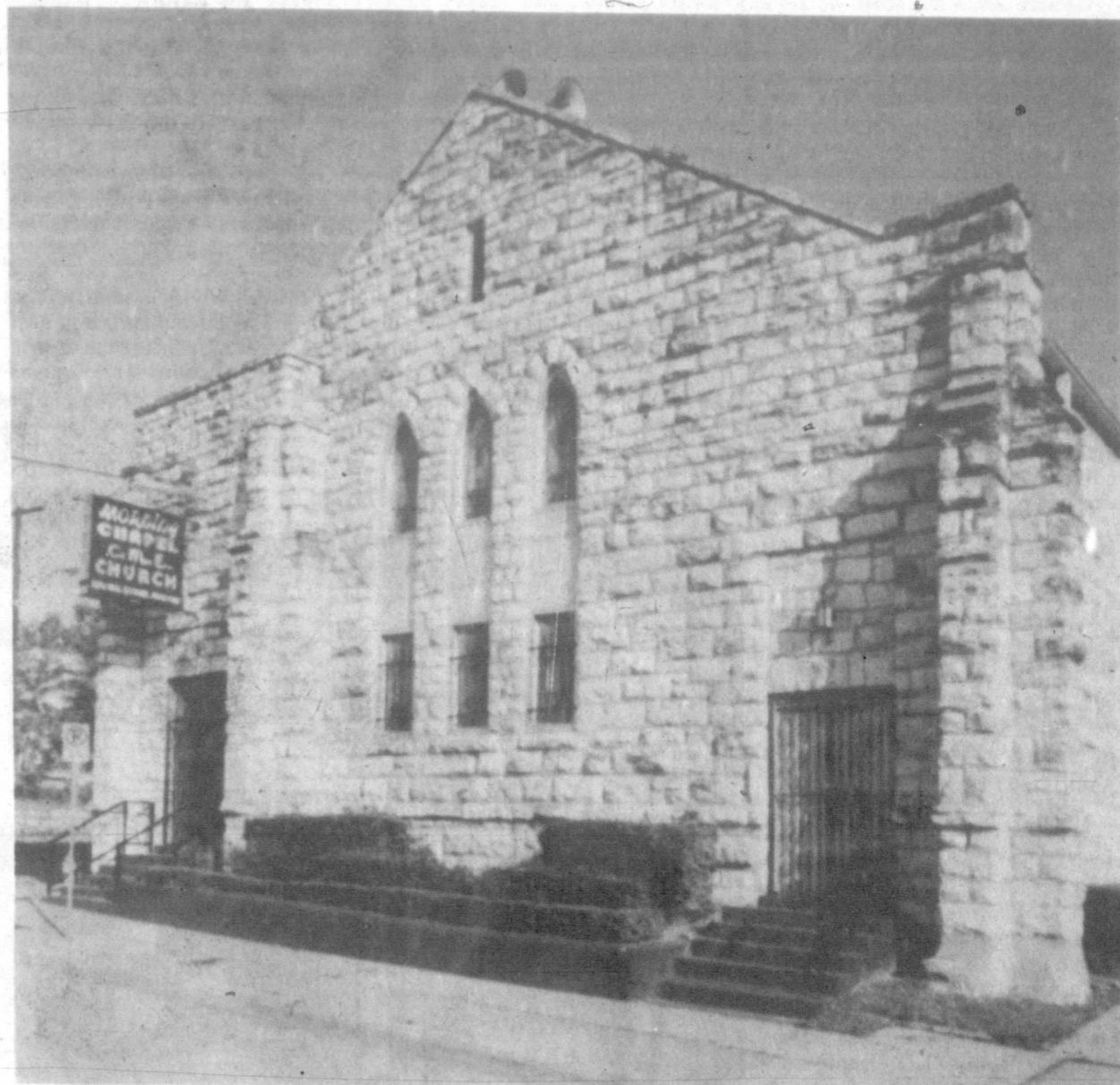
Throughout its history, the denomination, like other predominantly African-American religious groups, has been active in civil-rights efforts.

As a student at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Ga., Stone marched with civil-rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. in the Georgia capital; and in Albany, Ga.; Birmingham, Ala.; and other locations.

Much emphasis is placed on education. The Morning Chapel congregation has a free citywide tutoring program each Saturday, Stone said.

The congregation was a part of the early history of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. In fact, the Fort Worth church was created two years before the denomination was officially established in 1870, Stone said.

It was host for some of the first denomination conference meetings that helped spawn churches in many of the western states, the pastor said. The late Bishop Elias Prophet Murchinson Jr., the 29th bishop consecrated by the denomination, was born in Fort Worth, and was baptized as a child at Morning Chapel, according to the church history.



AP Photo
The Morning Chapel Christian Methodist Episcopal Church near downtown Fort Worth, founded by former slaves in 1868, recently celebrated its 125th anniversary. The building, where it still stands, was built in 1884.

Fellowship breakfast set

The Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm Street, will have their Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, July 17 at 8 a.m. The menu includes pancakes, toast, eggs, bacon, sausage, juice and coffee. Pastor I.L. Patrick invites the public to attend. Donations will be accepted. For more information telephone 665-4926.

VBS scheduled at Faith Advent

Faith Advent Christian Fellowship, 324 N. Rider, invites students to attend Vacation Bible School July 19-23. An Advent Christian Youth Ministries Team will be at the church during the Bible school.

The team, consisting of five members, received special training in June at the campus of Aurora University in Aurora Illinois under the leadership of the Rev. Dwight Carpenter of Fort Worth. The team will travel throughout the United States this summer working in local churches, at church camps, and in inner-city settings.

Pre-kindergarten children, ages 3-5, and any students having completed grades one through five are invited to attend "Zoorific Ark Park" from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Youths having completed grades six through twelve are invited to attend "Back to the Basics... Make Disciples!" each evening from 7 to 9 p.m.

Bible time, puppet shows music, recreation and refreshments for appropriate age groups are planned. For more information or for a ride call 665-6262 or 660-1366.

Timothy Peter at the Carpenter's Church services



Timothy Peter

Evangelist Timothy Peter is scheduled to preach during the special fourth anniversary celebration at the Carpenter's Church, 639 S. Barnes.

Services will be held at 7 p.m. July 16, 17 and 18.

Fred C. Barnes, minister of the Carpenter's Church cordially invites the public to worship with them. For more information telephone 69-2720.

Museum of religion opens in Scotland

By GRAHAM HEATHCOTE
Associated Press Writer

GLASGOW, Scotland (AP) — Bringing the world's religions together peacefully under one roof in a new museum here is proving to be difficult.

The museum initially seemed like a bright thing to do — between eight and 10 percent of Glasgow's 680,000 people are from ethnic minorities. There are at least 30,000 Moslems with a dozen mosques, 10,000 Jews, 10,000 Sikhs, 6,000 Hindus as well as Chinese and Vietnamese.

But one Christian leader refused to attend the inauguration of the St. Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art and a Scottish church leader was upset by a museum book that contained a glaring inaccuracy about the Church of Scotland.

Meanwhile, "a protester of unknown faith overturned a Hindu statue of Shiva as Nataraja, Lord of the Dance, breaking two flames on the rim. A suspect is awaiting trial."

Exhibits at the museum range from a papier mache dancing skeleton as used at the Mexican Festival of the Day of the Dead to a Jewish prayer book used in the German concentration camp at Gross Rosen near Auschwitz.

Members of the city's minorities advised the museum on religious

Missionaries to speak at Hi-land Christian

Laotian missionaries Tom and Kathy Love will speak at Hi-land Christian Church, 1615 N. Banks at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 18. The Loves will be reporting on their work with Food For The Hungry.

The church plans a cookout and "Christmas in July" for the Loves and their four children, Trevor, an eighth grader; Kristen, sixth; Karyss, third and Theo, first. Trevor attends the Dalat Boarding School in Penang, Malaysia, and the three younger children are home-schooled by their mother.

Tom Love explained, "Since Laos is one of the poorest countries in all of the world, they struggle with widespread malnourishment, high infant mortality (1 in 10), low life expectancy, and most of all the people of the Xieng Kho District live in fear and bondage of evil spirits. We try to expose the people to the light and love of God through our work with Food For The Hungry. With the severe drought that has hit northern Laos this year, the Loves expect to be very busy helping with the relief effort spear-headed by the World Food Program.

Mike Sublett, minister at Hi-land Christian invites everyone in Pampa to come and hear about the exceptional work of the Loves.

practices and loaned exhibits. Labels on the exhibits are in English, Urdu, Gaelic, Chinese and Punjabi.

The early publicity drew crowds and justified expectations of 300,000 visitors a year.

Absent from the late April opening ceremony was the Rev. Donald MacLean, moderator (president) of the synod of the Free Presbyterian Church, a breakaway from the national Church of Scotland.

"As far as the history of religions is concerned that is one thing, but if this is an attempt to propagate the multifait idea, I would be against it," he said.

"As a Christian minister I believe Christianity is unique. It is as simple as that," MacLean said.

The leading Scottish churchman, the Right Rev. Hugh Wylie, moderator of the Church of Scotland's General Assembly, said the museum book was wrong to say Queen Elizabeth II and not Jesus Christ was head of the church.

"The whole point of our presbyte-

rianism is that Jesus was the sole head of the church," he said.

Wylie also complained that the museum made too little of his church's role in Scottish life and history and dwelt too much on conflict between religious communities.

Glasgow has a history of strife between Protestants and Roman Catholics. Immigrants from Ireland on both sides of the religious divide have carried their animosities to Glasgow.

Mark O'Neill, senior curator of history for the city museums, said everyone he consulted thought the monarch was the head of the church, as the queen is in the Church of England.

"We have put an erratum slip in the book to correct our mistake on that one but otherwise we have left the text untouched," said museums spokesman Vincent Taggart.

Rev. Tom Connelly, spokesman for the Roman Catholic church in Scotland, was more generous. "It is a history museum so one would expect to see the conflicts in it," he

said. Visitor reactions, pinned to a notice board, vary from the very enthusiastic to the doubting.

Some found it disturbing to see photographs of conflict in Glasgow, Northern Ireland, Lebanon and the Balkans and piles of dead in World War II death camps.

The free-entry museum cost \$9 million to set up in a building adjacent to 700-year-old Glasgow Cathedral. The cathedral is dedicated to St. Mungo, the city's patron saint, who started a monastic community in what is now Glasgow at the end of the sixth century.

"We wanted the museum to reflect the central importance of religion in human life and to appeal to members of all religions and of none," said Julian Spalding, director

of Glasgow museums.

He said his team believed it was the first attempt anywhere to make a museum of all the world's religions.

"There are probably very good reasons why there are no similar museums. It is a difficult subject, controversial and even dangerous," Spalding said in an interview.

The first of the three galleries is devoted to art, the second to the weaving of religious ritual into daily life from birth to death — there are clothes for christening and for mourning — and the third to how different faiths have been practiced in Scotland over 5,000 years.

Glasgow's most admired painting, "Christ of St. John of the Cross" by Salvador Dali, has been moved to the new museum from the City Art Gallery at Kelvingrove.

Hymn and History

Modern day thinkers and socially concerned citizens believe women at West Point are a new phenomena witnessed only by the so-called new generation of women. But, history has another story to tell.

In the 1840's and 50's, two women were known and loved by all the cadets at the Military Academy. All right, so they weren't cadets, but they were sure part of the student body. For several years, the two ladies taught Sunday school classes to the young men who would grow up to be the leaders of the next decades. They were so well respected by both students and faculty, that when they died many years later, they were given funerals with military honors.

Both Anna and her sister Susan became famous novelists, and wrote many books, all of which sold quite well. One of the novels entitled "Say And Seal", contained a simple poem in the story line, spoken by Mr. Linden, to give comfort to the dying Johnny Cox. The poem not only brought comfort to Johnny, but has through the years brought comfort and even enlightenment to many, many millions of children in just about every country on earth.

You maybe haven't heard of Anna and Susan, or the novel they wrote, but surely, you've heard their poem. It goes:

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Envoy campaigns for unity in U.N. peacekeeping force for Somalia

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — A U.N. special envoy appealed Thursday for unity among the peacekeeping coalition faced with the controversial task of running down a renegade Somali clan.

"There were bound to be some growing pains. I regret ... there have been differences in approach," said U.N. envoy Jonathan Howe, who seeks to ease disputes over the hard-line tactics against warlord Mohamed Farah Aidid.

In the most public rift, U.N. officials requested the removal of an Italian general for not following orders. France, however, spoke out Thursday in support of continued U.N. military action against Aidid.

Playing to international criticism of the U.N. offensive, hundreds of Somalis took to the streets to protest bombardments of strongholds used by clansmen who have been blamed for attacks on U.N. forces.

At a well-orchestrated demonstration, 2,000 people waved placards printed with drawings of helicopter gunships above an English-language message: "Is this humanitarian aid? Help, yes. War, no."

U.N. officials reported more sniper and grenade attacks on U.N. outposts, but said no soldiers were injured.

Howe praised the work of the peacekeeping force and

aid operations and defended the military campaign in southern Mogadishu against gunmen loyal to Aidid, who opposes the U.N. presence.

The United Nations wants to negotiate with responsible leaders, not "criminals and terrorists" allied to Aidid, said Howe, a retired U.S. admiral who is special representative of U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali.

Howe also sought to explain his differences with an Italian general who has been ordered to leave the 27-nation U.N. peacekeeping alliance.

He said he admired Gen. Bruno Loi's capabilities as a commander. But "we have to have unity of command, we have to have confidence among commanders. We have to have one policy and unity to carry it out," he said.

Loi has held unilateral talks with Somali elders allegedly linked to Aidid and reportedly agreed to postpone weapons searches in hopes of reducing attacks that have killed 35 peacekeepers, including three Italians, since June 5.

Howe said Loi was scheduled to leave soon and all Italian peacekeepers likely would be moved outside this tense seaside capital.

Somalia is the first U.N. operation where its troops

are mandated to be heavily armed for offensive actions instead of just peacekeeping.

In Paris, Foreign Ministry spokesman Richard Duque offered continued support for the U.N. military action, saying "We seriously doubt that one can reach a negotiated solution without having re-established security and thus disarmed the factions."

Earlier Thursday, Howe denied charges that hawkish American advisers and officers were dominating the coalition's planning, which has used U.S. air power and ground troops for devastating attacks on Aidid compounds.

In a U.N. operation Monday, a missile and cannon attack by U.S. helicopters on an purported command center for Aidid gunmen killed 57 Somalis, according to estimates by the International Red Cross.

Four foreign journalists were murdered by mobs of angry Somalis wielding guns, knives and clubs after the raid.

That bloodshed brought an outcry from critics that U.N. leaders were concentrating too much on fighting Aidid and hampering relief operations.

In a statement published by the United Nations in a Somali language news sheet, Howe said critics have overlooked the mission's successes. Outside the capital,

crofts have been planted, schools and hospitals are being restored and weapons are being turned in, he said.

"In most of Somalia, significant progress is being made and life is returning to normal," Howe said.

Following more attacks by gunmen on U.N. posts Wednesday night, private aid agencies said they were still curtailing operations in Mogadishu because of the tensions.

However, the U.N.-sponsored World Food Program delivered food to 21 sites in the city under heavy guard by Italian, Pakistani, Saudi Arabian and United Arab Emirates peacekeepers.

In related matters, the Clinton administration is sending an envoy to Rome in an apparent attempt to defuse a diplomatic crisis between Italy and the United Nations over the mission of U.N. peacekeepers in Somalia.

But Foreign Minister Beniamino Andreatta reiterated Italy's resolve Thursday to keep its soldiers in Somalia, saying the two countries' differences don't justify a withdrawal.

Italy has been at odds over U.N. handling of operations, especially the U.S.-led air strike on a wanted warlord's compound Monday.

Italy also was stung by U.N. demands Wednesday for the removal of Gen. Loi.

Slain trooper's widow files suit on 'gangsta rap' artist, company

By MICHELLE KOIDIN
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Linda Davidson wanted her husband's killer to be sentenced to death. Yet she agreed with the gunman's attorney that hard-core rap music influenced him to pull the trigger.

So Mrs. Davidson decided to go after the others she saw as responsible for Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Bill Davidson's death.

On Thursday, the day after a jury condemned Ronald Ray Howard to die by lethal injection, Mrs. Davidson moved forward with her lawsuit alleging that a rap artist and his recording company contributed to her husband's murder.

Davidson is suing Tupac Amuru Shakur, Time Warner Inc. and Interscope Records for an undetermined amount. The case is expected to go to trial in state court in Jackson County at the end of this year.

"I feel like these corporations need to be responsible," Davidson said. "I'm claiming the 'gangsta' rap music as a factor."

But the attorney representing Time Warner and Interscope said people should be personally responsible for their conduct and pay for their crimes.

"Trooper Davidson's sacrifice and his loss is a tragedy, and that tragedy has to do with (the) immoral conduct of one young man," Jim George said. "And it also has to do with the free availability of guns."

Davidson said she is suing in the hope that families of other law enforcement officers "don't have to go through what my family went through."

Tupac's publicist didn't immediately return telephone calls from The Associated Press.

Howard, 19, testified in his trial that on April 11, 1992, as he drove from his Houston home to Victoria, the violent, anti-police lyrics of Tupac and other rap artists pounded into his head.

When Mr. Davidson pulled him over for a missing headlight, Howard shot him in the neck with a 9-mm handgun, according to several confessions by the teen-ager. Howard was convicted in the slaying last month.

Before sentencing him to death, jurors deliberated for more than five days. They spent most of their time discussing whether such factors as rap music's influence and Howard's background could instead warrant a life sentence.

Attorneys said jurors agreed the rap music swayed Howard but decided he still deserved to die.

Jim Cole, the attorney representing Mrs. Davidson in the civil case, said he believes her chances of winning the lawsuit are "excellent."

"I think the evidence that came in the criminal case established that the music affected Ronald Howard and was a cause of his killing Bill Davidson," he said.

Cole said the suit wouldn't compromise First Amendment rights of free speech but would ensure that music companies "be sure they're not producing speech designed to make people kill other people."

"The message also would be one of responsibility," he said.

But George, representing Time Warner, said he had "no idea" how the criminal case verdict would affect Mrs. Davidson's lawsuit.

"We don't know anything that will happen in the civil case at this stage," he said.

Time Warner has been attacked before for producing rap music with anti-cop messages.

Ron DeLord, president of the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas, said his organization spearheaded a boycott against the corporation for Ice-T's "Cop Killer" song, which was later pulled from the market.

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Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Sensitivity required when celebrating Mother's Day

DEAR ABBY: I am still fuming about that "contest" dreamed up by some dim-witted program chairman for the annual mothers and daughters banquet at their church, no less.

First they asked all the women who were mothers to stand up. Then they asked all the mothers who wore dentures to sit down. I have never heard of anything so insensitive in all my life!

I have a suggestion for their annual banquet next year. How does this sound?

"Will all the mothers please stand?" (Does this include the women who have had only miscarriages or stillbirths? How about the foster mothers — and stepmothers who have borne no children, but mothered many?)

Now, "Will the youngest mother present please stand?" (Does this include the 14-year-old victim of incest, and the woman who gave up her child when she was 15 and has no idea where that child is?)

Now, "Let's see the mother who has had the most children!" (This will revive memories of all the ridicule and insults endured by mothers who have had eight, nine, 10 or more children.)

We should also be aware that victims of parental child abuse do not want to listen to exaggerated praise for a parent they remember only with bitterness each Mother's Day or Father's Day.

Abby, please remind your readers that there is a need for sensitivity on both Mother's Day and Father's Day.

HURTING FOR OTHERS

DEAR HURTING: Thank you for a suggestion that may prove enlightening to many.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 52-year-old woman, divorced 10 years, no children and am self-supporting.

About six months ago, I met a very charming gentleman who happens to be blind. He lives alone with a Seeing Eye dog and is remarkably independent. He lives in a city about 400 miles from here, and since we met, he has visited me four times.

I thought he was about 45 years old, but he told me that he is 38! I was shocked. He said the age difference is not a problem. Abby, this is the first time I've dated a man that much younger than myself, and this relationship has developed into a serious love affair.

The only thing that is marring all this is the fact that he told his mother I was 40 years old. Obviously, he was embarrassed to tell her the truth.

Abby, how important is the fact that he lied to his mother about my age? Please answer soon. I really care about this man.

SLIGHTLY SHOOK

DEAR SHOOK: Lying to his mother about your age indicates that (a) he needed her approval, and (b) he is less than honest. And now that you are aware of these two very important facts, don't rush into anything.

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Eating corn-on-the-cob self-expressive

By JEFF RODRIGUEZ
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — It does make a difference, you know. How you eat your corn-on-the-cob, that is. Are you a rotater? A row eater? Or do you chomp down where it's convenient?

Corn eating is, in fact, a form of self-expression. As Yogi Berra would have said, you can observe a lot about someone just by watching how he or she eats corn.

Perhaps you never gave the subject much consideration before, but several leading researchers around the country have studied the matter closely, and they would certainly support my position, if only I could have found them.

I called some of the nation's most prestigious institutes of higher learning, including the University of Iowa and the University of Nebraska — who else is going to know more about corn? The authorities I spoke with (specifically, the department receptionists) — listened patiently as I explained the purpose of my call, then declined to transfer me.

A professor at the University of Texas at Austin listened somewhat patiently, then replied that he knew nothing about corn-on-the-cob, but had learned from his research that women who take big mouthfuls of food are seen as being gluttonous and unattractive. So there you have it.

Dr. John Hall, chairman of the psychology department at Texas Wesleyan University, thought I might be onto something.

"You know, I'm not familiar with any research on the subject at all," he said cheerfully. "But I'm sure there's probably a federal grant out there somewhere for it. I just wish I'd thought of it."

After some thought, Hall decided that he himself was a rotater. He wasn't sure what it might say about his personality, but he did have a critical insight.

"Next time, I think I'll check to see what the kids do, and see if

there's a genetic connection," he said.

So the ivory tower and leather couch types weren't much help. But I found a better resource: The People. I turned to the common folk in the trenches with corn every day. Not many people spend more time in the trenches than Ben Roming.

Roming, 52, is a corn farmer in the Panhandle town of Muleshoe. He grows it, picks it, sells it, eats it. His livelihood depends on his having good corn. And for Roming, good corn is fresh corn. Extremely fresh.

"I eat more corn raw," he said. "I think it's the best way. During harvest time, I may eat three or four ears a day. I'll eat one to test it for sweetness, or if I'm hungry. It's just as good raw."

Corn is a business for Ben Roming, but for Barbara Kafka, it is a passion. Kafka is a New York restaurant consultant, food writer, and columnist for Gourmet magazine.

"I adore corn-on-the-cob," Kafka said. "I have a very odd and particular habit of serving just piles and piles as the first course. Instead of as a side dish or a starch, I recommend making it a whole thing all by itself. It's easier on the cook that way, and you also can be sure that it is hot."

A traditionalist, Kafka said she didn't care for the sweeter hybrids — "they candy corns" so in vogue now. (As an alternative, she recommended an old-fashioned variety known as the Silver Queen.)

As to her eating style, the author has a simplistic philosophy.

"My husband eats it very, very neatly," she said. "And he's taught one of our children to eat it that way, too. They'll just go along very carefully, one row at a time."

"But I'm a chunker. I'll take a great big bite right in the middle — especially if it's the first ear. I like the messiness of corn, and of summer."

Kafka also is the author of "Party-Food," about things you can eat with your fingers. So it comes as no surprise that she has little use for prongs.

"I do NOT use those things you jab into the corn," she said. "If it's cooked in the husk, then each person gets a potholder, and they shuck it themselves. I have a big bowl in the middle, where they can put all of the husks."

If the corn's been microwaved in the husk, she added, you can turn back the husk and use it as a handle. The point is, corn isn't supposed to be fine and polite; it's supposed to be fun."

"We all have our own styles," she said, laughing. "Mine says I'm greedy."

Greedy? Nah. Call it enthusiasm. And then call Jane Stern, who, with her husband Michael, is about as enthusiastic as food writers come. Their expertise extends from a newspaper column called "Taste of America," to their book "The Encyclopedia of Bad Taste." They love eating corn-on-the-cob, and, to hear Jane tell it, they love getting ready to eat it. Here is how she recommends preparing your (cooked) corn:

"You take a piece of cheap white bread, like Wonder Bread," she said. "I think Wonder Bread was made to be used as a barbecue-and-corn bread."

"So you take this soft, white yucky bread and then you get a big smear of butter or margarine, you make like a buttered bread mitt. Then you sponge it all over the corn, which is extremely effective."

"Then when you're done with the corn, if you haven't already had enough starch, you can eat the bread."

Stern describes this approach as blue-collar and white-bread. And, true to her working-class perspective, she has little tolerance for free-thinking radicals who do too much to their corn.

"I have very little kind things to say about people who put pepper on their corn," she said. "I think that's communist."

With all that bread on hand, you wouldn't figure on the Sterns putting out any silver-plated prongs to hold the corn. You'd figure right.

"I don't use those little plastic things with the prongs that you buy at the dime store," she said. "They've got to be the most poorly engineered things in the world. One always falls out in the middle of the meal, and the ear falls in your lap. Still, there's something so adorable and dopey about them that I still like. My mother used to break each cob in half, and when the cob is half the size, the little plastic doodads seem to work much better."

One of her friends, she added, used two kitchen sponges to hold the corn. But finding enough sponges to coordinate with your table settings would be a hassle, and the cobs, while certainly clean, would probably taste soapy.

Stern was game to play armchair psychologist and analyze her corn-eating style.

"The way I eat it is like a typewriter," she said. "I'm extremely anal-retentive. I try to eat each row in an absolutely uniform fashion, and then advance a quarter-inch or

so. I'm very precise."

Which is the opposite of her husband, who uses what may loosely be called the T-rex method.

"Michael tends to take very big bites of things," she said. "He chews in random patterns, too. He's much more aggressive than I am."

Michael may take the nod for thoroughness.

"Honestly, when I have corn, I make a meal in itself," she said. "I can't put the corn down; I'm too much of a task-oriented person."

So now I knew how corn is eaten. The next question was, which way is correct? Well, I looked into that, too, and the answer is: It's none of your business.

And you can tell your friends that Miss Manners said so.

"You have to make a line between etiquette and preferences," said Judith Martin, the syndicated columnist who writes Miss Manners. "The etiquette rules are relatively few. It's a delightfully messy dish, and you don't want to serve it when people are wearing fragile clothes, and not when they're discussing serious subjects."

The only real rule, she said, is to be sure you provide your guests with good, sturdy napkins — none of that flimsy paper stuff. Otherwise, go ahead and cut loose; you don't even have to use those silly plastic prongs.

"The fun of eating corn-on-the-cob is getting it all over your face," she said. "It seems overly genteel to use tongs — unless of course you're fishing it out of boiling water."

But for those who insist on knowing, Martin suggests, "It should be eaten left to right, in even rows. The typewriter method, for those who remember typewriters."

But that's not etched in corn. The rotation method is acceptable, and you can also eat the whole thing in one run, provided you don't overdo it.

The real point about corn-on-the-cob is, there is no point, Martin said. Worse, it's impolite even to bring up the subject.

"I don't recognize personality styles in eating," Martin said. "There are polite ways, and there are rude ways."

"But I think people are spending far too much time monitoring what other people eat, all of which is very rude, unless those people are your minor children. I would never encourage people to go around assessing other people's eating styles. I am far too polite to do such a thing."

So you see, it does make a difference.

Home remedies can soothe minor ills

By AMERICAN HEALTH
For AP Special Features

A bath doctored with oatmeal or baking soda, granulated sugar and meat tenderizer are among several traditional home remedies that can help soothe life's minor ills.

Information on these and other favorites are cited in American Health magazine. Included are:

— Sunburn. Apply compresses soaked in cool water, milk, witch hazel or tea. Yogurt and shaving lotion are also soothing. For extra relief, immerse yourself in a cool

bath doctored with finely ground oatmeal or baking soda.

— Hiccups. Eat a teaspoon of granulated sugar. Doctors speculate this may work with nerve impulses in the mouth that signal the diaphragm to contract and thus trigger an attack.

— Insect Stings and Bites. For easing the pain, try a meat tenderizer containing the enzyme papain. Applied immediately, papain breaks down the protein-based venom. Others which also work for mosquito or fly bites include heat, ice, a drop of household ammonia, a paste of baking soda and water, and an aspirin rubbed on the moistened sting.

— Diaper Rash. Soak gauze or cosmetic cotton squares in an aluminum acetate solution. Place them on the rash, then diaper the baby as usual to hold the compresses in place.

— Nosebleeds. Sit up straight, squeeze your nose closed, and hold it for five or 10 minutes.

— The Common Cold. Chicken soup and tea with lemon and honey often help. Drink plenty of liquids to replace lost fluids and loosen mucous secretions. Caffeine, which is in the same family as the asthma drug theophylline, can lessen wheezing and coughing.

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Cradle
- Building front
- Ponders
- More muscular
- Pretentious rural residence
- Feeler
- Fruit drink
- Commotion
- Roman bronze
- Speck
- Type of Buddhism
- Make a contented sound
- Destroy (sl.)
- Having dull finish
- More humorous
- The merchant of Venice
- Bizarre

DOWN

- 905, Roman
- Davaolote
- Capri, e.g.
- Style of singing (2 wds.)
- and games
- Museum contents
- Crevice
- Japanese native
- Lairs
- Epochs
- Surfeit
- Saloon
- Snake
- Actress
- Joanne —
- Yes —
- Author Grey
- Feminine suffix
- Flying saucers (abbr.)
- Type of pasta
- Of aircraft
- Opp. of post
- Insane
- Opposite of ecto
- Lumpiest
- Olympic org.
- Dutch town
- Have scruples
- Columist — Bombeck
- Actor James
- Ascend
- Major (constellation)
- Old age
- Otherwise
- Horse color
- Exit
- Comparative ending
- Author Anals

Answer to Previous Puzzle

BUMBLE	BUBBLY
AMELIA	ELOISE
ABLEST	DUNCAN
LOST	ELA GETS
GROUT	
CUTER	ABETTED
ERODE	TRADE
TAROT	HINGE
ELEMENT	EGGED
LUNAR	
CION	RTE
CINE	CINE
ACROSS	DARNER
BONNIE	ELEGIT
SNOOPS	STEELE

WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

I'm impressed with your husband, Mrs. Boggs!

He's keeping up with all the pins in the aerobics class.

Yes...

I'm just afraid that something is about to give out...

You mean like his heart?

Like his stomach. He can't possibly hold it in much longer.

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

IF I COULD LOSE FIVE POUNDS, I'D BE HAPPY!

IF I COULD LOSE TEN POUNDS, I'D BE ECSTATIC!

IF I COULD LOSE FIFTEEN POUNDS...

JANIS! THIS WAY LIES MADNESS!

EEK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

HI, THERE... CAN I BUY YOU A DRINK?

CERTAINLY NOT! I CAN PERFECTLY WELL AFFORD TO BUY MY OWN DRINK...

JUST BECAUSE I'M A WOMAN AND ALONE DOES NOT MEAN THAT I'M LONELY OR HELPLESS... MY FATHER WARNED ME ABOUT GUYS LIKE YOU... YOU SEE A WOMAN BY HERSELF AND THEN WHAMMO! YOU'RE ALL OVER HER

HOW COME MY FATHER DIDN'T WARN ME ABOUT ANYTHING?

B.C.

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WAIT UP, WILL YA P?

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AS FAR AS WE CAN, GENERAL!

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NOW WOULDN'T THAT GUAZZLE OLD GUZ!

BOY I'LL SAY! HEH! HEH! HEH!

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

This is Nasty McNarf writing to you from summer camp.

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I MISS MY DOG..

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Sports

Texas swats Detroit with 17 hits; Astros fall to Cards

Rangers take ninth of last 10, demolish Tigers' pitching

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Not even three days off for the All-Star break could cool off the hot bats of the Texas Rangers.

And the hottest bat belong to Rafael Palmeiro, who homered twice, drove in four runs and had four extra base hits Thursday night as the Rangers won their fifth straight, 12-7 over the Detroit Tigers.

Manager Kevin Kennedy scheduled a mandatory workout for the team on Wednesday to get them ready for the second half of the season.

"It was important for us because three days off this late in the year is not good," Palmeiro said of the mandatory workout. "I took batting practice like I was getting ready for a game."

Three weeks ago Rangers fans were pushing trade rumors that had Palmeiro headed for the Atlanta Braves for Otis Nixon.

But when Jose Canseco was lost for the season after surgery on his right elbow, Palmeiro was moved into Canseco's number three slot in the Rangers order ahead of Juan Gonzalez.

Palmeiro is hitting .512 over the last 10 games and on Thursday he extended his hitting streak to 14 games, longest on the club this season and the longest active streak in the major leagues.

"I've had some good streaks in the past, but this one ranks right up

there with the best," said Palmeiro, who's hit safely in 35 of the last 37 games. "I'm staying back on the ball and swinging at good pitches."

Palmeiro's two-run homer in the sixth, his 18th of the season, snapped a 7-7 tie and sent the Rangers to their ninth victory in their last 10 games.

The Rangers pounded five Tiger pitchers for nine extra base hits among their 17 hits and got three hits and three RBIs from Juan Gonzalez.

David Hulse added three hits and Julio Franco went 2 for 3 with a two-run homer.

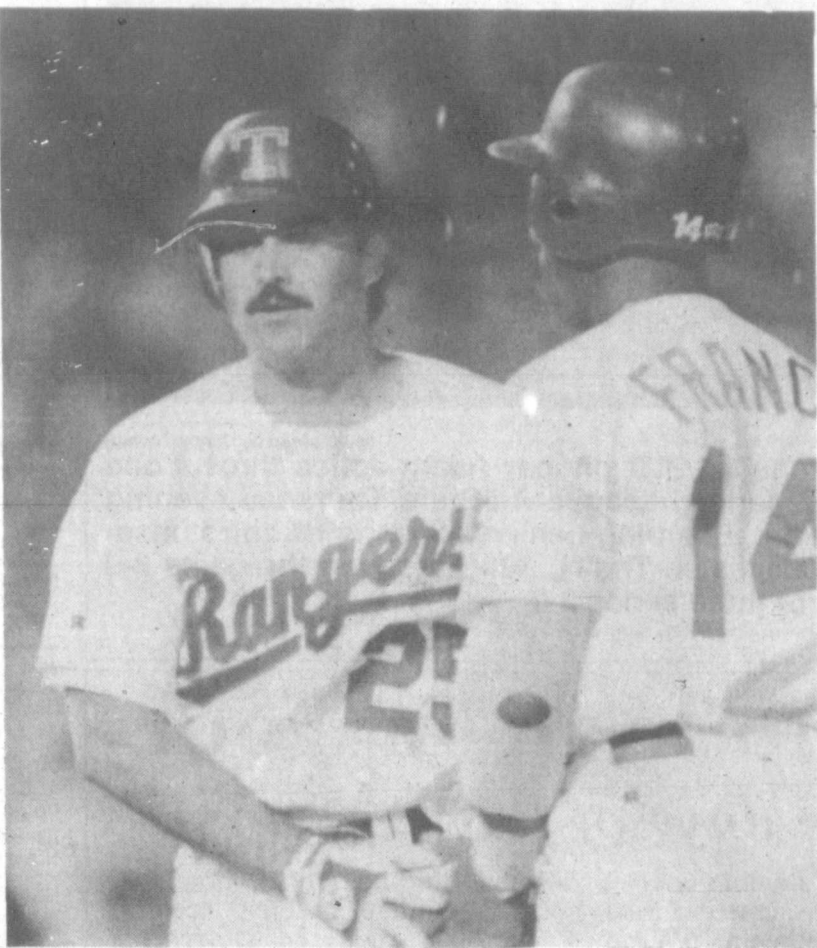
The Tigers got 13 walks from Rangers pitchers, tying a Texas club record, but were unable to overcome the Rangers' offensive explosion.

"You can't beat nobody who scores 12 runs," Tigers manager Sparky Anderson said. "I've seen it done in 19-12 games, something like that, but I don't think you beat one team in three years that scores 12 runs. You score 12 runs and you deserve to win."

Texas has scored 33 runs in its last three games and has 10 or more runs in three consecutive games for the first time in club history.

"I feel good about our lineup right now," Kennedy said. "I think we can score some runs. We have a good balance of right and lefthanded hitters, with speed and power."

Palmeiro's four extra base hits,



Rafael Palmeiro, left, is congratulated by Julio Franco after he hit a two-run homer against the Detroit Tigers Thursday night.

including a pair of doubles, tied the Rangers record set by John Grubb in 1982. He also tied a club record with 12 total bases and raised his batting average to .309.

"He's been outstanding after a tough start," Kennedy said. "Obviously, we need him badly and he's doing the job. I'm sure he likes hitting in front of Juan Gonzalez."

St. Louis moves up in NL East

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mark Whiten wasn't that surprised by his 463-foot home run.

Although it's the longest ball hit in Busch Stadium in at least two seasons, he hit a couple other tape-measure shots in batting practice before the St. Louis Cardinals' 4-2 victory over the Houston Astros Thursday night.

"I had fun in batting practice today, but they were mostly batting right-handed," said Whiten, a switch-hitter who was hitting left-handed when he hit his mammoth three-run home run off Doug Drabek in the fourth.

Astros right fielder Eric Anthony never moved as Whiten hit his 12th home run on a 2-0 pitch and put the Cardinals ahead 4-1.

"I was feeling pretty decent tonight," said Whiten, who is 9-for-20 against Houston pitching.

So were his teammates. The Cardinals also got strong pitching from Rene Arocha, who won for the second time in seven starts, and strong defense, turning three double plays.

The victory put them four games behind National League East-leading Philadelphia, which lost 5-2 to San Diego. It raised their record on Thursdays to 11-1 and pulled them the closest to first place since they were 3 1-2 games out on May 3.

"We've just got to continue to put pressure on the Phillies," Tom Pagnozzi said. "Hopefully, they'll continue to self-destruct."

The Astros did a pretty good job of that with a couple of strange plays. Third baseman Ken Caminiti

got hit in the cheekbone diving for the ball on Ray Lankford's infield hit in the fourth and had to leave the game. Andujar Cedeno struck out on a ball that hit him in the hand in the fifth and Drabek lost his grip on the ball during steady rain and threw a wild pitch into the stands to give the Cardinals a run in the sixth.

"As you could tell, it might have been the first day back from three days off," Pagnozzi said.

The All-Star break seemed to help Arocha (7-3), who allowed five runs in four innings in a 9-3 loss to Drabek and the Astros on July 4 in Houston. In the rematch, he allowed only Craig Biggio's home run in seven innings, giving up nine hits and struck out a career-high seven.

"He gave us a great outing," Torre said. "He got in a little trouble, but managed to get the double plays and did a lot of good things for us."

Lee Smith, the third St. Louis pitcher, gave up a run-scoring single in the ninth and heard a few boos before finishing for his major-league leading 31st save.

"I don't let stuff like that bother me," Smith said. "People who are flooded out around here are a lot worse off than I am."

Todd Zeile extended his hitting streak to 13 games for St. Louis, going 2-for-4. He's 19-for-52 (.365) during the streak.

Drabek lasted six innings and gave up four runs on seven hits. Other than the fourth, the Cardinals didn't hit many balls hard against him.

Big names on top after first round of British Open

SANDWICH, England (AP) — After the first round of the world's oldest golf tournament, most of the biggest names — Faldo, Price, Norman, Langer and Couples — were exactly where they should be. They were all under par.

Added to the leaderboard were three once-big names that have melted into mediocrity.

One addition was Fuzzy Zoeller, that laid-back 41-year-old who previously took the Masters and the U.S. Open titles, but hasn't won anything at all for seven years.

Whistling in apparent bliss, Zoeller shot a 4-under-par 66 Thursday and shared the first round lead with Greg Norman, Mark Calcavecchia and Australian Peter Senior.

Another was Seve Ballesteros, the magic-maker around the greens who paced the emergence of European golf more than a decade ago but has, in the last year, counted as highlights the times he was able to make the cut.

Despite a bogey-bogey finish, he got in with a 68, was only two back and said he "felt like 15 years ago."

Also added to the front-runners was the biggest name of them all, Jack Nicklaus.

He may not remain up there long, but at least for now, the 53-year-old legend is within three shots of the lead after coaxing a 69 from the docile, yielding links of Royal St. George's.

"I actually felt like I knew where



Nick Faldo frets over the first hole in Thursday's first round of the British Open.

the ball was going," Nicklaus said in mock amazement.

He hasn't won on the regular tour since the 1986 Masters and broke a year-long non-winning string among the over-50 set with a triumph last week in the U.S. Senior Open.

All year long, however, he has kept insisting "I think I have one more big one left in me."

More than two dozen players have

a lead over Nicklaus after rain softened and tamed the hard fairways and greens, took the bite out of the dragon of Royal St. George's and turned the 122nd edition of this prized championship into a scoring extravaganza.

"A beautiful day to play golf," Zoeller said after hitting all the fairways and missing only two greens in the gentle breezes that were a marked contrast to the gale-force blasts that frequently lash the sandhills overlooking Pegwell Bay on the east coast of England.

The scores of the leaders indicated just how gentle the usually forbidding links became.

Norman came back from an opening double bogey with a late string of five consecutive birdies, one-putted 10 times and chipped in once.

"It's a matter of getting in the zone, getting the feel. Once you get the feel, you just go," Norman said of the string that once again put him within sight of the major titles so often snatched from his grasp.

Calcavecchia, in a slump since taking this title four years ago, played without a bogey.

And Senior matched a course record with 31 over the front despite the pain of a deep slit in his right palm. "It only hurts when I hit a bad one," he said.

One stroke off the leaders at 67 was a group led by Larry Mize who, like Zoeller and Calcavecchia, owns

a major-tournament playoff victory over Norman; Mize in the '87 Masters, Calcavecchia in the '89 British Open, Zoeller in the '84 U.S. Open.

Also at 3 under par were Masters champion Bernhard Langer of Germany, Howard Clark and Gary Evans of England, Des Smyth of Ireland, Greg Turner of New Zealand, Mark McNulty of Zimbab-

we, Wayne Westner of South Africa, Stephen Ames of Trinidad-Tobago and Glen Day, an American who plays the European tour.

The two men deemed most likely to succeed in this 122nd edition of golf's oldest tournament, Nick Faldo and Nick Price, were very much in the hunt.

Price, the PGA champion and winner of seven titles around the world in the last

11 months, had a 68, the same score posted by Couples.

Faldo, the defending and three-time champion of this title, pronounced himself satisfied after shooting 69.

In all, 47 of the 156 starters broke par 70 in the near-ideal scoring conditions; that's 47 men within three shots of the lead.

Cowboys open camp

Smith, Johnston, others remain unsigned

AUSTIN (AP) — Emmitt Smith was a no-show for the opening of the world champion Dallas Cowboys training camp on Thursday but owner Jerry Jones produced a surprise guest, showing NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue around St. Edward's University.

"I wanted to be here to celebrate the Cowboys Super Bowl victory," Tagliabue said. "It's a helluva lot better being here than in Minnesota on the front row of federal court like I was last year."

Tagliabue praised the Cowboys practice facility and threw Jones a bone when he said the world champions don't have to worry about being in another division when the NFL begins realignment discussions.

"There will be no radical changes regarding the Cowboys," Tagliabue said. "We wouldn't want to destroy what works. The Cowboys in the NFC East works."

Tagliabue added that the Cowboys comeback from a 1-15 start in coach Jimmy Johnson's first season to a Super Bowl win in Pasadena "was one of the most extraordinary turnarounds in the history of league sports."

Smith is still in a contract dispute with the Cowboys and the NFL's leading rusher wasn't expected to settle soon.

"I'm optimistic that Emmitt will be with the team when we play the (Washington) Redskins on opening day," Jones said.

Smith was at home in Florida, hoping he will get \$4 million a year. The Cowboys have offered about \$2 million.

The rookie the Cowboys drafted to be Smith's backup, Derrick Lassic, a fourth-round pick from national champion Alabama, wasn't in camp either.

Lassic and second-round pick linebacker Darrin Smith of Miami are still unsigned although Jones said "we expect to sign them in the next couple days."

Another veteran who was missing was fullback Daryl Johnston, another restricted free agent, who was dickering with the Cowboys for a two-year deal.

"We should have something done with Johnston soon," Jones said.

Coach Jimmy Johnson said he missed the young players more than

he did the veterans. "I don't like to see the younger players missing training camp time," Johnson said. "They need the work."

Johnson predicted the Cowboys would be better than last year's 13-3 club.

"I think we will have a great football team," Johnson said. "I think we will be better because we are more talented. We have a lot of young players coming of age."

When the Cowboys won the Super Bowl, their average age was 25 years.

Johnson said he hoped quarterback Troy Aikman, who is recovering from back surgery, will be ready to play late in the exhibition season. "Troy feels he will be ready late

in the preseason and if that's the case, we'll give him some action," Johnson said. "It would be good if he could get some playing time before we take on the Redskins. He says he will be ready. I believe him."

Johnson was also happy when he was greeted by the temperatures in the mid-90s.

"It's hot and that's the way I like it," Johnson said. "Some people say the way we work in training camp would bother us late in the season. It did. We got better."

The Cowboys begin two-a-day workouts today at St. Edward's University and will have their annual Blue and White scrimmage on Sunday. Johnson ordered his team to be on the field at 9 a.m. each morning.

Sports scene

TRACK
Members of the Pampa Track Club competed in the Region 12 State Track Meet held last weekend in Odessa.

The top three in each event qualified for the Nationals in Baton Rouge, La.

"I'm sure proud of all the kids who competed and stuck it out this summer," said Pampa coach Chris Hansen. "They worked hard and never complained."

Pampa results in the Region 12 State Track Meet are listed below:

Intermediate Girls
100-meter dash — 4. Lillie Ramirez, no time listed.

Intermediate Boys
1,500-meter run — 7. Chris Phillips, 4:43.
3,000-meter run — 5. Chris Phillips, 10:45.

Midget Girls
3,000-meter run — 4. Samantha Hurst, 12:24; 6. Marci Hansen, 13:35.

1,500-meter run — 4. Samantha Hurst, 5:45.00; 8. Marci Hansen, no time listed.

BASEBALL
ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers will have to wait and see how Nolan Ryan feels before deciding when he'll come off the disabled list and if he will pitch Monday against the Milwaukee Brewers.
Ryan threw 95 pitches in a five-

inning simulated game Wednesday at Arlington Stadium.

"He had no problems physically or anything, but the bottom line is that no determination has been made yet on whether he will pitch Monday," said John Blake, Rangers' vice president for public relations.

Blake said Ryan fielded ground balls, again with no physical problems, after his pitching stint.

Ryan went on the disabled list earlier in the season for arthroscopic knee surgery, and came back for one start before going back onto the DL with an injured hip. While rehabilitating from that injury, he cut his foot when he stepped on the blade of a water ski.

Eight players hit off Ryan in the simulated game — Jeff Frye, Jeff Huson, Jon Shave, Butch Davis, Geno Petralli, Mario Diaz, Doug Dasenczo and John Russell.

Blake said the Rangers didn't put a radar gun on Ryan to see how hard he was throwing.

In a roster move after the workout, the Rangers activated infielder Jeff Huson from the 15-day disabled list and optioned Shave, also an infielder, to Oklahoma City of the American Association.

FOOTBALL
DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Running back Keith Byars left the Philadelphia Eagles Thursday and signed a two-year contract with the Miami Dolphins as a free agent.

The signing, announced at a news conference by the Dolphins, reunited Byars with his former Eagles teammate and friend, end Keith Jackson. They are among dissatisfied players who have left the Eagles.

Byars, a star running back at Ohio State, was with Philadelphia for seven seasons. Like other free agents, he had until today to either sign with a new team or stay put.

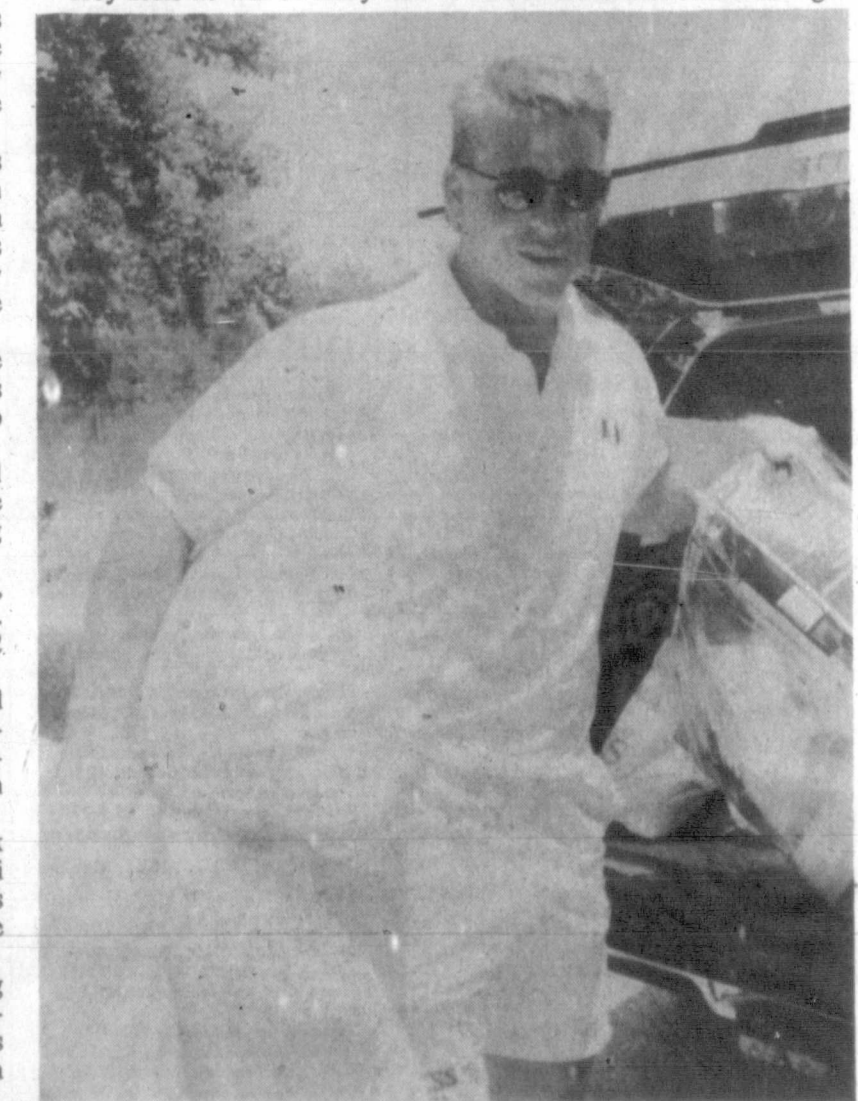
"I made the right decision," Byars said at the news conference at the Dolphins' Broward County training camp. "I've got an opportunity to play for a legendary coach like Don Shula. I plan to finish my career here."

Shula was pleased with the acquisition of Byars after getting official notice that powerhouse fullback Tony Paige will retire after all.

"Byars gives us a lot of versatility offensively, as well as durability," Shula said. "He's missed only one game in the last five years. He can carry the ball at running back as well as block for the other back in our two-back offense."

Terms of the contract were not disclosed. Byars made just under \$1 million last year.

In his seven seasons with the Eagles, Byars rushed for 2,672 yards and gained 3,532 receiving yards. His receiving skills could be a crucial help in Miami's pass-oriented offense.



Cowboy's quarterback Troy Aikman arrives Thursday at St. Edwards in Austin with extra bedding for his recovering back.

Oilers obtain rights to two Pro-Bowlers

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers have retained exclusive negotiating rights for Pro Bowl players Ernest Givins and Lorenzo White, but the two are far from agreeing to contracts with the club.

The two, listed as transitional free agents, were free to negotiate with other teams until 4 p.m. Thursday. Neither received any offers.

Givins' agent, Jim Ellis, was not surprised by the lack of interest. He said teams were reluctant to tender offers because the Oilers had the right of first refusal.

"If the Oilers didn't have right of first refusal, I think there would have been a lot of offers," Ellis said. "But the key phrase we kept hearing was that other clubs didn't want to get into a 'bidding war with the Oilers.'"

The Oilers have offered

Givins and White minimum one-year contracts. Givins was offered \$1.79 million and White \$1.53 million.

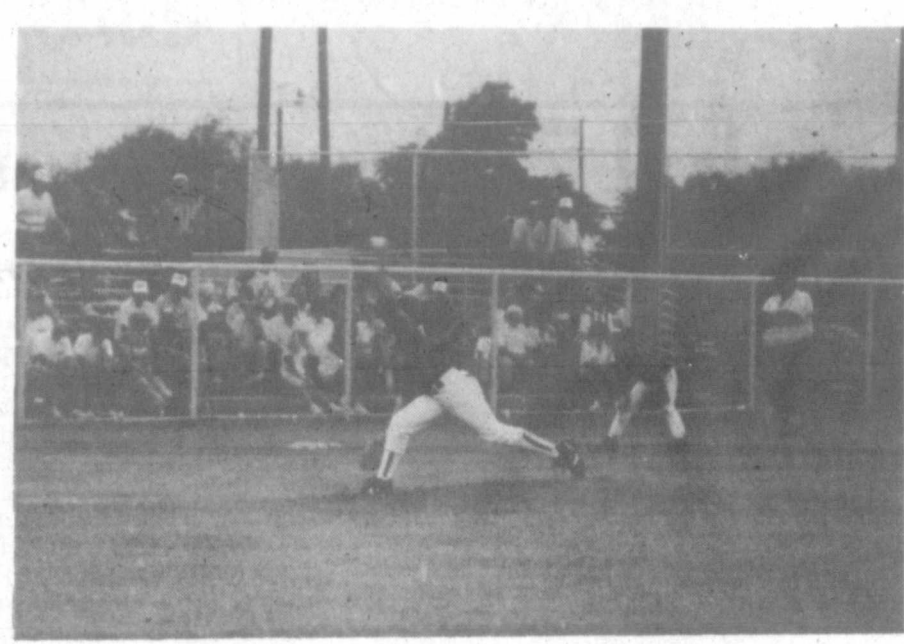
Neither plans to accept the deals and will hold out of training camp pending negotiations that haven't yet been scheduled, their agents said.

"Nothing has changed status-wise between Lorenzo and the Oilers," said White's agent, Bob Huebner. "We haven't even started to negotiate his contract yet. We really haven't talked to the Oilers since February."

Oilers general manager Mike Holovak said he wasn't sure when negotiations would resume.

Givins caught 67 passes for 787 yards and 10 touchdowns last season. White ran for 1,226 yards and caught 57 passes for 641 yards.

Pampa little league all-star action



(Staff photo by Danny Cowan)
National League All-Star pitcher Adam Jones throws one against the American League All-Stars Thursday evening at Optimist Park. Standing behind Jones is NL third baseman Travis Lancaster. The NL All-Stars won the game 8-0 and the best of three series 2-0.

Indurain holds on to lead in Tour de France

Alps take toll on pack; three days of flat lands next

ISOLA 2000, France (AP) — The 1993 Tour de France is barely half over and already it's taking its toll on name riders.

Before the race began, three-time champion Greg LeMond dropped out with an allergy-related fatigue. On Thursday, in the 11th of the 20 stages, two-time champion Laurent Fignon of France went out of the race.

Fignon and LeMond will forever be remembered for the 1989 race in which LeMond overcame a 50-second deficit on the final day to win by eight seconds, the closest finish in race history.

Mario Cipollini and Wilfried Nelissen, two riders who played give-and-take with the leader's yellow jersey the first week,

also went out along with Gilbert Duclos-Lassalle, who has won the last two Paris-Roubaix races.

None of the racers who withdrew had much of a chance to win anyway. It seems Miguel Indurain is safely on his way to his third consecutive victory.

He showed again he is in firm command of the leader's yellow jersey as he let up enough to allow Tony Rominger to win for the second day in a row.

After two days in the Alps, Indurain lost no time to anyone while others struggled behind him.

"I can say things went pretty well in the two stages in the Alps," Indurain said.

Colombia's Alvaro Mejia stayed in second but dropped to 3:23 behind. Poland's Zenon Jaskula is still third, 4:31 back, with Rominger fourth, 5:44 back. American Andy Hampsten is sixth, 11:12 behind.

Gianni Bugno, who was among Indurain's top challengers early in the week, dropped further back Thursday. The Italian is now in 12th place, 23:05 behind.

"Some rivals are left behind but I discovered new opponents in Rominger, Mejia and Jaskula. Nothing is won yet," Indurain said.

In the 112-mile leg from Serre Chevalier to Isola 2000, others would go far ahead, but Indurain would stay with those

who mattered most — Rominger, Mejia, Jaskula, Hampsten and Denmark's Bjarne Riis.

When it came down to serious racing up the final 10.5-mile climb, Indurain would accelerate whenever needed and took the lead of the top group in the final three miles.

Rominger and Indurain broke away from a group of seven in the final half-mile. Indurain moved ahead in the final 100 yards but slowed to give Rominger the individual stage victory.

The Tour heads to Marseille on Friday to begin three days of flat land before hitting the Pyrenees on Monday.

Scoreboard

Baseball			
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct
Toronto	50	40	.556
Baltimore	48	41	.539
Detroit	48	41	.539
New York	48	42	.533
Boston	45	43	.511
Cleveland	45	48	.481
Milwaukee	37	50	.425
West Division			
Team	W	L	Pct
Chicago	46	41	.529
Texas	45	42	.517
Kansas City	44	43	.506
Seattle	43	44	.506
California	43	44	.494
Oakland	39	48	.459
Minnesota	36	50	.419
NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct
Philadelphia	57	33	.633
St. Louis	52	36	.589
Montreal	48	41	.538
Chicago	42	45	.483
Pittsburgh	42	47	.472
Florida	37	51	.420
New York	27	61	.307
West Division			
Team	W	L	Pct
San Francisco	60	30	.667
Atlanta	51	39	.567
Los Angeles	47	41	.534
Houston	46	42	.523
Cincinnati	46	45	.505
San Diego	34	56	.378
Colorado	33	55	.375
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Toronto	48	42	.531
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NATIONAL LEAGUE	
Tuesday's Game	AL All-Stars 9, NL All-Stars 3
Wednesday's Games	No games scheduled
Thursday's Games	San Diego 5, Philadelphia 2 Cincinnati 7, Florida 4 Atlanta 4, Pittsburgh 0 Chicago 1, Colorado 0 St. Louis 4, Houston 2 Los Angeles 3, Montreal 2
Friday's Games	Colorado (Laskanic 1-1) at Chicago (Guzman 7-7), 3:20 p.m. Florida (Rapp 0-1) at Cincinnati (Rijo 6-5), 7:35 p.m. Pittsburgh (Cooke 5-4) at Atlanta (Madux 8-8), 7:40 p.m. Houston (Kille 10-1) at St. Louis (Magrane 8-7), 8:35 p.m. Philadelphia (Greene 11-2) at San Diego (Whitehurst 3-5), 10:05 p.m. Montreal (Ruster 1-0) at Los Angeles (Hershiar 7-8), 10:35 p.m. New York (Gooden 8-9) at San Francisco (Hickerson 3-1), 10:35 p.m.
Saturday's Games	Houston at St. Louis, 1:05 p.m. Colorado at Chicago, 4:05 p.m. New York at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m. Florida at Cincinnati, 7:05 p.m. Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m. Philadelphia at San Diego, 10:05 p.m. Montreal at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.
Sunday's Games	Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 1:10 p.m. Houston at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m. Florida at Cincinnati, 2:15 p.m. Colorado at Chicago, 2:20 p.m. Montreal at Los Angeles, 4:05 p.m. Philadelphia at San Diego, 4:05 p.m. New York at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.

Golf	
British Open, Par Scores	
SANDWICH, England (AP) — Scores and relation to par Thursday after the first round of the \$1.5 million British Open, played on the 6,860-yard, par-35-70 Royal St. George's Golf Club course (a-senator):	
Fuzzy Zoeller	32-34 — 66 -4
Peter Senior	31-35 — 66 -4
Mark Calcavecchia	33-33 — 66 -4
Greg Norman	35-31 — 66 -4
Gary Evans	32-35 — 67 -3
Greg Turner	34-33 — 67 -3
Larry Mize	31-36 — 67 -3
Mark McNulty	35-32 — 67 -3
Howard Clark	34-33 — 67 -3
Des Smyth	34-33 — 67 -3
Bernhard Langer	33-34 — 67 -3
Wayne Westner	34-33 — 67 -3
Glen Day	34-33 — 67 -3
Stephen Ames	33-34 — 67 -3
Rodger Davis	33-35 — 68 -2
Corey Pavin	32-36 — 68 -2
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Jesper Parnevik	32-36 — 68 -2
John Huston	35-33 — 68 -2
Duffy Waldorf	35-33 — 68 -2
Craig Castella	33-35 — 68 -2
Ian Gairhart	33-35 — 68 -2
Scott Simpson	35-33 — 68 -2
Nick Price	35-33 — 68 -2
Fred Couples	36-32 — 68 -2
Robert Allenby	35-34 — 69 -1
Donnie Hammond	32-37 — 69 -1
Frank Nobilo	36-33 — 69 -1
David Frost	35-34 — 69 -1
Vijay Singh	33-36 — 69 -1
Yoshinori Mizumaki	34-35 — 69 -1
Paul Azinger	35-34 — 69 -1
Miguel Jimenez	34-35 — 69 -1
Carl Mason	34-35 — 69 -1
James Spence	33-36 — 69 -1
Nick Faldo	32-37 — 69 -1
Per Ulfvick Johansson	35-34 — 69 -1
Tom Lehman	34-35 — 69 -1
Darren Clarke	35-34 — 69 -1
Lee Janzen	33-36 — 69 -1
Mats Hallberg	35-34 — 69 -1
Anders Sorenson	34-35 — 69 -1
Jonathan Sewell	35-35 — 70 E
Tony Nash	36-34 — 70 E
Gordon Brand, Jr.	35-35 — 70 E
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Jim Morgan	34-36 — 70 E
Raymond Floyd	35-35 — 70 E
Philip Tallon	37-33 — 70 E
David Love III	37-33 — 70 E
Tom Purtzer	34-36 — 70 E
William Guy	34-36 — 70 E
Manuel Pineda	35-35 — 70 E
Olle Carlsson	36-34 — 70 E
Billy Anderson	36-34 — 70 E
Mark James	36-34 — 70 E
Joe Ozaki	35-35 — 70 E
Sandy Lyle	34-36 — 70 E
Mark Roe	33-37 — 70 E
Paul Moloney	36-34 — 70 E
Peter Baker	36-34 — 70 E
Brad Faxon	37-33 — 70 E
Barry Lane	33-37 — 70 E
Ben Crenshaw	34-36 — 70 E
Costantino Rocca	36-35 — 71 +1
Mark O'Meara	35-36 — 71 +1
Paul Broadhurst	33-38 — 71 +1
Tom Watson	36-35 — 71 +1
James Cook	36-35 — 71 +1
De Wet Hanson	35-36 — 71 +1
John Daly	37-34 — 71 +1
Howard Twitty	38-33 — 71 +1
Richard Buxall	35-36 — 71 +1
Katsuyoshi Tomori	37-34 — 71 +1
Anders Forsbrand	34-37 — 71 +1
Don Forsman	34-37 — 71 +1
Rocco Mediate	36-35 — 71 +1
Paul Way	34-38 — 72 +2
Jeff Lee	35-37 — 72 +2
Robert Luik	37-35 — 72 +2
De Wet Hanson	34-38 — 72 +2
Tony Johnstone	35-37 — 72 +2
Malcolm Mackenzie	38-34 — 72 +2

Tour de France	
Tour de France Cycling Results	
ISOLA 2000, France (AP) — Results Thursday of the 11th stage of the 20-stage Tour de France — a 112-mile leg from Serre Chevalier to Isola 2000:	
1.	Tony Rominger, Switzerland, CLAS, 5 hours, 41 minutes, 3 seconds.
2.	Miguel Indurain, Spain, Benesto, same time.
3.	Claudio Chiappucci, Italy, Carrera, 15 seconds behind.
4.	Zenon Jaskula, Poland, GB-MG, 15 seconds behind.
5.	Alvaro Mejia, Colombia, Motorola, same time.
6.	Bjarne Riis, Denmark, Ariostes, 31 minutes behind.
7.	Robert Miller, Britain, TVM, 1 minute behind.
8.	Oliviero Rincón, Colombia, Amaya, 2:56.
9.	Andy Hampsten, Boulder, Colo., Motorola, 3:06.
10.	Roberto Conti, Italy, Ariostes, 3:22.
11.	Pedro Delgado, Spain, Benesto, 4:19.
12.	Jon Unzuaga, Spain, CLAS, 4:34.
13.	Federico Echave, Spain, CLAS, 5:23.
14.	Abeardo Ronzon, Colombia, Gatorade, 5:33.
15.	Antonio Martin, Spain, Amaya, 5:23.
Overall Standings (After 11 stages)	
1.	Miguel Indurain, Spain, Benesto, 46 hours, 39 minutes, 20 seconds
2.	Alvaro Mejia, Colombia, Motorola, 3:23 behind.
3.	Zenon Jaskula, Poland, GB-MG, 4:31.
4.	Tony Rominger, Switzerland, CLAS, 5:44.
5.	Bjarne Riis, Denmark, Ariostes, 10:26.
6.	Andy Hampsten, Boulder, Colo., Motorola, 11:12.
7.	Claudio Chiappucci, Italy, Carrera, 14:09.
8.	Eric Brukink, Netherlands, ONCE, 14:54.
9.	Pedro Delgado, Spain, Benesto, 15:32.
10.	Oliviero Rincón, Colombia, Amaya, 21:17.
11.	Antonio Martin, Spain, Amaya, 22:07.
12.	Gianni Bugno, Italy, Gatorade, 23:05.

5 Special Notices

PAMPA Shrine meeting, July 16th, 7 p.m. Covered Dish.

10 Lost and Found

LOST from 319 Warren, 7 month old Boston Terrier female, answers to Tippy. Don 665-1648 extension 49.

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69a Garage Sales

YARD sale: Clothes and miscellaneous. Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. 821 E. Gordon.

2 Family Garage Sale: Clothes, jewelry, weight bench, books, miscellaneous. Saturday 9-4, 944 Terry Rd.

GARAGE Sale: Saturday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. 1905 N. Christy. Girl's School clothes, toys, miscellaneous.

GARAGE Sale: 1804 N. Wells, Friday and Saturday, 8-7. Adult clothing, microwave, furniture, miscellaneous.

SALE: West end Walnut Creek. Baby clothes, shelves, furniture, etc. Friday, Saturday 9-8 p.m.

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GARAGE Sale: Couch, chair, gas stove, electric stove, bunk beds, kids bedding, clothes. Friday, 9-6, Saturday, 9-6. 2230 Lea.

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GARAGE Sale: 938 Sierra, Saturday and Sunday 8:30 til 7. King size headboard, lots of nice girls and adult clothes, some tools, toys, odds and ends.

GARAGE Sale: Saturday, 8 til 7. Lots of miscellaneous, some furniture. 1939 Evergreen.

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MOVING Sale: come inside 618 N. West. Saturday 9-1.

MOVING Sale: 912 Terry Furniture, curtains, toys, clothes, Guinness pig and miscellaneous. Today thru Saturday.

SALE: Vanity tops, 2 sinks, queen size set and lots of miscellaneous. 1809 N. Christy. Friday, Saturday, 8 a.m.-7.

GARAGE Sale: Saturday 708 E. 15th. TV, tires, ceiling fan, twin bed, jam box, hockey game, trivium pursuit, toys, puzzles, clothes and miscellaneous.

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GARAGE Sale: Friday, Saturday. 400 N. Nelson.

SALE: Saturday, Sunday, 1140 Terrace. Baby, children and adult clothes, exercise bike, lots of miscellaneous.

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GARAGE Sale: 2410 Cherokee, Saturday, 9-1.

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SALE: Saturday only, 8-2, 729 Bradley Dr. Jr. size clothes 5-11, Rocky Mountain jeans, Wranglers, entertainment center, hideabed, bikes, lots of miscellaneous. Rain or shine!

GARAGE Sale: 2105 N. Wells, Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Electric stove, toys, baby clothes.

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SALE: 310 Main str., Skellytown, sponsored by Skellytown Cheer Leaders, Saturday 9-6.

GARAGE Sale: Walnut Creek Estates, Walnut Drive. Saturday, July 17, 8:30-3:00. Nintendo, tapes, clothes.

GARAGE SALE
1820 Lynn, Saturday

Garage Sale
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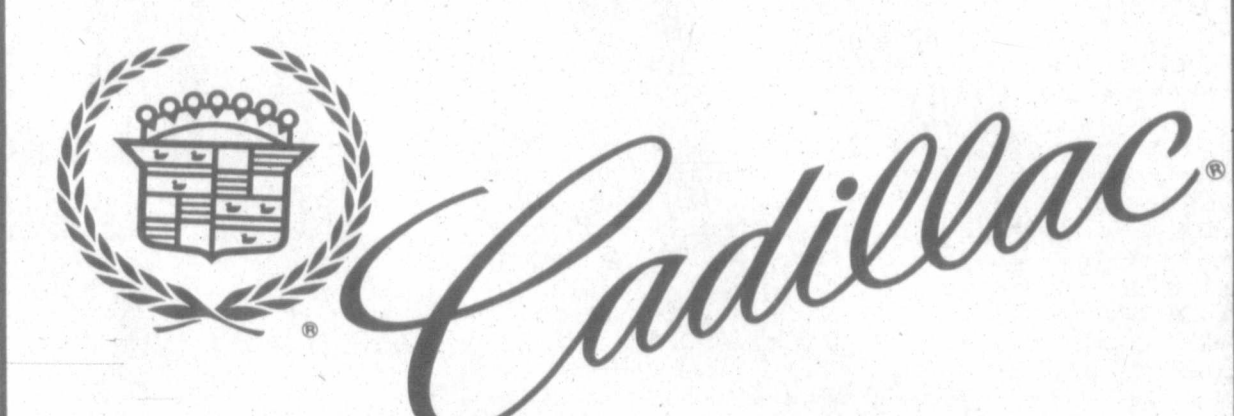
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Researchers find evidence for genetic link to homosexuality

By PAUL RECER
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Researchers have identified a gene pattern linked to male homosexuality, adding powerful new evidence to the scientific theory that the tendency to be gay can be inherited.

The finding does not prove homosexuality in males is genetically compelled, but it does show that the sexual orientation is powerfully influenced by inherited genes, said Dean Hamer, principal author of the study appearing today in the journal *Science*.

"This is the strongest evidence to date that there is an important genetic component to sexual orientation," Hamer said in an interview.

Evidence of a gay gene was found by studying the X chromosome in

40 pairs of homosexual brothers. Thirty-three pairs of brothers shared the same pattern variation in the tip of one arm of the chromosome, a region that may have 100 or more individual genes.

Hamer said his lab at the National Cancer Institute is now trying to identify the specific gene shared by the gay brothers.

A similar study searching for a genetic basis for homosexuality in females is now underway, he said.

The study is at least the fourth in recent years to identify possible biological explanations for sexual orientation and strengthens the argument by many in the gay community that homosexuality is not a matter of choice, but of biological destiny.

Members of the gay community said the new study could help to

change the perception of homosexuality.

"It may help people look at this as a genetic issue, that it is natural and it involves no sort of choice at all," said George Neighbors Jr. of the Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays in Washington. "If you believe in God or nature, that's what homosexuality develops from."

But he said the finding could also pose a threat to homosexuals.

Neighbors said some gays fear that if a biological basis for homosexuality is found, there may be some people who view it as an opportunity to medically change the sexual orientation.

"Is this going to lead people to look for a cure of homosexuality or lead people to manipulate the gene

so that it doesn't exist any more?" he asked.

In the other studies of biological bases for homosexuality, Simon LaVay, then of the Salk Institute for Biological Studies in San Diego, found in 1991 that a specific brain structure was smaller in homosexual males than in heterosexual males.

Studies in 1991 and 1993 at the Boston University School of Medicine of separated identical twins found a commonality of sexual orientation that suggested a genetic origin of homosexuality in both men and women.

"We knew there was a genetic influence somewhere, but we didn't know where," said Dr. Richard C. Pillard, co-author of the twins studies and a professor of psychiatry at Boston University. "Now Hamer

has come along and found an area on the X chromosome where he thinks there is an actual gene. His was the next logical step."

Hamer emphasized that his study does not show that a single gene determines sexual orientation. Many factors may be involved, he said.

"There also could be another gene on some other chromosome. Or it could be that there was some other physical or biochemical factor involved," he said. "Or there could be some other non-biological factors related to life experiences or environment or upbringing."

Hamer said he and his colleagues searched for the gay gene by first studying the family histories of 114 gay men. They found that male homosexuality was more common than average on the maternal side of

the gay men's families.

This suggested that if there were a genetic basis for homosexuality, it would likely be on the X chromosome, the sex-linked chromosome inherited by males from their mothers.

The researchers then studied the X chromosomes from 40 pairs of gay brothers and used a technique called linkage analysis to search for a genetic variant that the brothers shared.

A shared variant was found in the same chromosome region in 33 of the pairs of brothers.

Hamer said the results show with 99 percent certainty that a genetic variant plays a role in the homosexual orientation of males.

"This means that the possibility of obtaining our findings by chance is extremely unlikely," he said.

Federal emergency managers receive praise — for a change

WASHINGTON (AP) — A political dumping ground is one of the nicer names people have called the Federal Emergency Management Agency. But the Mississippi River floods of 1993 could change all that.

Headed by the first civil-defense professional in its 14-year history, FEMA is anticipating local needs, reacting quickly to requests and showing sympathy for flood victims. As swollen rivers continue to overrun counties across the Midwest, federal relief efforts are winning nothing but praise.

That's quite a departure for an agency known primarily for bumbling inefficiency in the face of tragedy and desperation.

After Hurricane Hugo struck South Carolina in 1989, Sen. Ernest Hollings called FEMA "the sorriest bunch of bureaucratic jackasses I've ever worked with." Disarray and delay drove the Dade County emergency management director to exclaim, days after Hurricane Andrew flattened large parts of south Florida last year: "Where in the hell is the cavalry?"

The new administration was determined to learn from the past, Vice President Gore said this week. Both he and President Clinton are citing FEMA's flood response as evidence of success.

"I think we're getting pretty good marks this time for getting out ahead of the curve," Clinton said Wednesday during a visit to Des Moines, Iowa.

Local officials agree: "I can't say enough good things about them. The communication lines and cooperation are wonderful," said Tammy VanOverbeke, emergency management director of Lyon County, Minn.

"They came in and set up a disaster assistance center within a week and a half of things starting to go chaotic. This is record time," said Petra Haws, an emergency management official in St. Charles County, Mo., which is 40

percent under water.

"They've done every single thing we've asked them to do, bar none. There is assistance we didn't even know about," says Des Moines Mayor John Dorrian, whose city has been without running water for five days.

The new FEMA director, James Lee Witt, was a county administrator and Arkansas emergency services director before Clinton brought him to Washington. His expertise gives FEMA a more professional air as well as a leader who has experienced the agency's strengths and weaknesses firsthand.

Richard Krim, FEMA's acting associate director for state and local programs, said Witt has begun holding a morning conference call with state emergency managers and anticipates needs rather than reacts to them.

To get ahead of the problems:

— He sent regional staffs out before the flooding became serious to help states apply for disaster assistance.

— He had his staff prepare preliminary damage assessments before Clinton made a formal disaster declaration.

— He directed FEMA workers to respond immediately to any state requests. A hospital in Des Moines, for example, received water purification equipment within 24 hours of asking for it.

— He also directed them not to wait for requests. "We're going to the states with a list of things we think they need and saying we'll get them if you want them," said Krim.

He said confusion and delays after Andrew occurred in part because "we waited for the state to tell us what they needed."

Krim, who has been with the agency since its inception, said President Bush's decision to put his transportation secretary in charge of the Andrew cleanup added an extra layer of bureaucracy and hampered FEMA's efforts.

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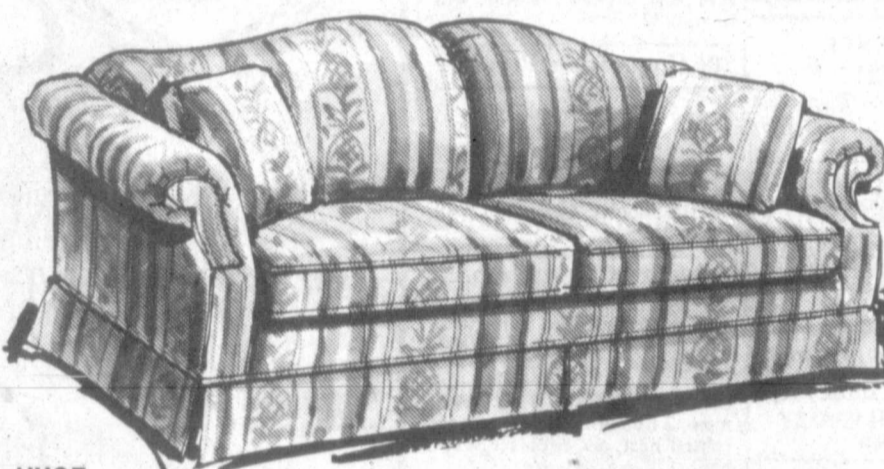


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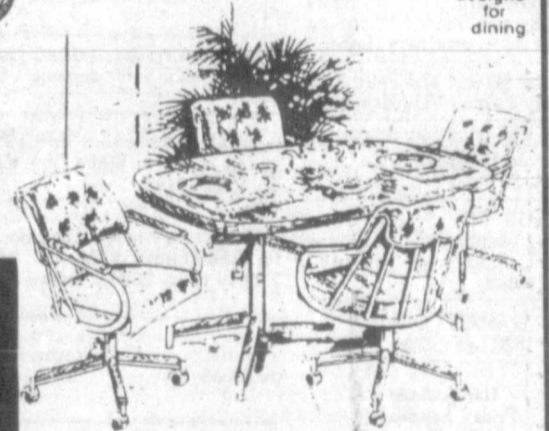
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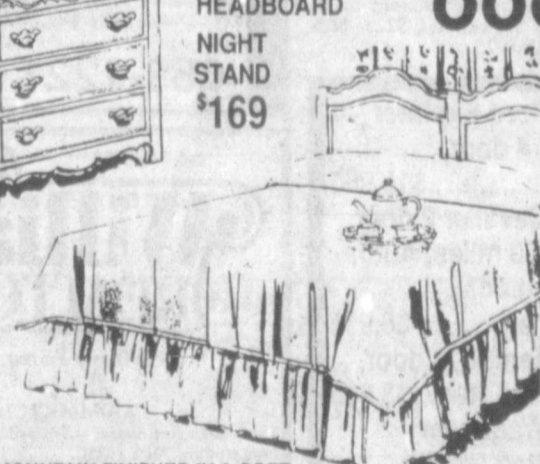
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