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News Watch



Placing the blame

WASHINGTON — Blaming another law enforcement agency for the debacle, a former FBI negotiator tells senators the FBI stepped into a situation that was "almost beyond repair" in the 1993 Waco siege. "The American people have the right to expect better," said Clint Van Zandt, who was on the FBI team that negotiated with members of the Branch Davidian cult during the 51-day standoff in Texas./**1B**

Blacks on AIDS

SAN DIEGO — A survey of about 1,000 black church members in five cities found that more than one-third of them believe the AIDS virus was produced in a germ warfare laboratory as a form of genocide against blacks./**10A**

Quebec aftermath

MONTREAL — The resignation of Jacques Parizeau as head of Quebec's separatist government opens the way for his replacement by Lucien Bouchard, a more charismatic politician who could give new life to the independence movement following its narrow defeat./**6A**

Dressed to arrest

PAULSBORO, N.J. — A police officer who went trick-or-treating as a clown on Halloween bagged a dozen fugitives. "They can't believe it," Lt. Tom Sullivan said. "They've been had." Most of those arrested — who faced mostly routine traffic charges — responded good-naturedly./**9A**

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Jury: Ortiz guilty of murder

Panel convicts counselor's aide of killing 10-year-old

■ 42-year-old faces life in prison or death penalty. Testimony on punishment begins today.

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

AMARILLO — Jurors deliberated only about an hour before finding Henry Lopez Ortiz guilty of capital murder in the sexual assault, kidnapping and murder of 10-year-old Julianne Powell.

Ortiz, 42, was convicted Wednesday of capital murder in the Feb. 10 slaying. The trial was moved here because of extensive publicity.

The state is seeking the death penalty in the case. Punishment evidence is scheduled to begin today.

Following the announcement of the verdict, Julianne's mother, Lynn Fisher, sobbed quietly then hugged Midland Police Investigator Sgt. B.G. Johnson, who headed the investigation.

Ortiz remained emotionless. His wife and daughter showed no emotion.

Ms. Fisher's sister, Maridel Fryar, told the media following the verdict that her family was pleased with the jury decision's and thanked the Midland police and district attorney's office for their diligent work.

Mrs. Fryar said the family is hoping this will bring some closure to this tragedy and that they support the district attorney's efforts to have Ortiz executed for the crime.

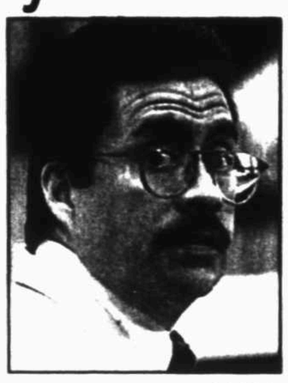
During closing arguments, Midland County Assistant District Attorney Teresa Clingman told the jury that the state proved each element of the crime, with Julianne dying "at the hands of the defendant."

She said the murder was proved as was the rape and kidnapping. She said he was the only person in the apartment at the time and killed the child by putting a plastic bag over her face. She said he restrained the child by placing her in the hamper.

Ms. Clingman said he used deadly force to hold her in the apartment by putting her in the hamper "that became her coffin."

She said the proof of sexual assault was in the child's vagina where she was torn and

Please see **GUILTY/4A**



File Photo
Henry Lopez Ortiz



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Secretary of State Warren Christopher speaks at the Yugoslavia Peace Talks Wednesday at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. Christopher warned of a wider war if the negotiations fail.

Warring Balkan leaders' stiff handshakes open 'long journey' for peace

Associated Press

DAYTON, Ohio — Opening peace talks with stiff handshakes, three Balkan presidents set out Wednesday on a "long journey" in pursuit of peace in Bosnia. If they fail, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said, Europe could be plunged into a wider war requiring American military intervention.

Sitting across a conference table from the leaders of Serbia, Croatia and Bosnia, Christopher said "future generations would surely hold us accountable for the consequences."

The aim is a settlement to end a 42-month war that has left tens of thousands of people homeless and sparked atrocities unmatched in Europe since Nazi Germany killed 6 million Jews in World War II.

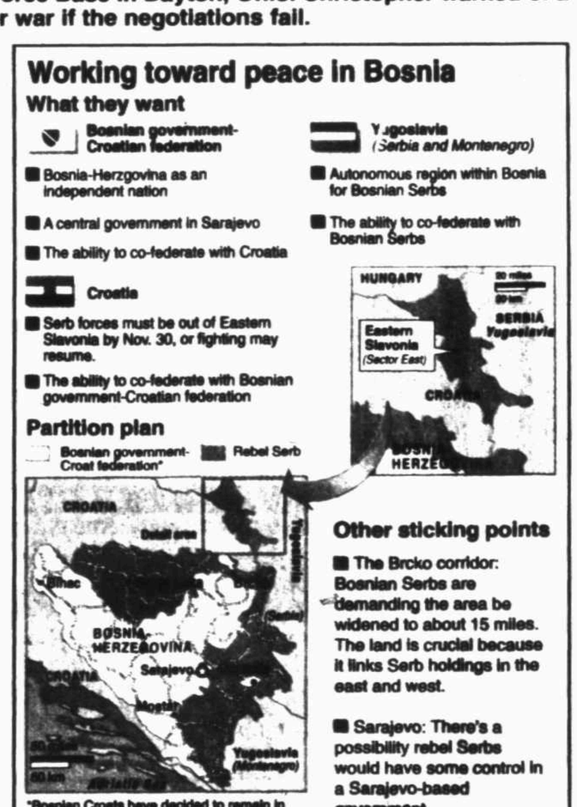
Results emerged quickly.

At Christopher's urging, Serbia and Croatia promised to work on normalizing relations by respecting human rights and giving refugees the option of compensation or returning to their homeland. They also promised to work on a peaceful settlement to their dispute over a hotly contested sliver of Croatian territory occupied by Serb rebels since 1991.

The United States, meanwhile, began parceling out portions of a proposed draft treaty. A second session ended with handshakes and what U.S. spokesman Nicholas Burns described as "a good mixing of delegations."

In a somber speech, echoed by European mediator Carl Bildt and Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov, Christo-

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House votes bill to ban late-term abortion method

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Abortion opponents claimed victory Wednesday as the House passed a bill to ban a specific kind of late-term abortion.

"This is the key pro-life vote of the 104th Congress," Rep. Bob Dornan, R-Calif., said following the 288-139 vote to make it a felony for doctors to perform "partial-birth" abortions.

Abortion rights supporters were equally concerned that a ban on the procedure, thought to occur only several hundred times a year, would have larger ramifications.

"We are really not talking here today about a procedure," said John Bryant, D-Texas. "We are talking about Roe vs. Wade and about the right of a woman and her ability to have children in the future."

Passage of the legislation, sponsored by Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla., marked the first time since that 1973 Supreme Court decision protecting abortion rights that Congress has moved to prohibit a specific abortion procedure.

The bill faces a tougher road in the Senate, although Democratic leader Sen.

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New right-to-carry rules could trigger workplace worries

By Melia McEwen
Staff Writer

Texans recently won the right to carry concealed handguns beginning Jan. 1, provided they complete the required licensing courses and receive their permits.

Another battle could be brewing between employees and employers over the right to bring those weapons onto workplace premises.

Dan Dargene, a Dallas attorney with the firm of Winstead, Sechrest & Minick, visited Midland Wednesday to discuss the new law and its effect on employers. He spoke to the Midland-Odessa chapter of the Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce.

The right-to-carry law included a provision allowing employers the right to prohibit employees or customers from carrying properly licensed concealed weapons onto the premises.

Pointing out that in Texas, homicide is

Please see **TRIGGER/4A**

In Abraham Lincoln's town, taxi company suggests drivers not to pick up black men

By Ray Long
Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — A few blocks from the tomb of the Great Emancipator, a notice posted at Lincoln Yellow Cab Co.'s headquarters made it clear that even getting a taxi can be a question of race.

"Effective immediately Do not pick up any black males unless you feel it is safe," the note read. "If you do not feel safe with the way they look Do not pick them up! There has been too many robberies lately, and they have all been by BLACK MALES."

The sign, posted on a bulletin board visible to customers, came down Wednesday shortly after an Associated Press reporter asked about it.

Company manager Earl Reno said his lawyer advised him to take the sign down and "put up a sign that says do not pick up any suspicious-looking persons."

The issue of cab drivers being unwilling to pick up minorities has arisen before, most often in big cities. Last fall, former New York Mayor David Dinkins said a cabbie snubbed him by driving no more than 20 yards farther to pick up a white fare.

The issue of discrimination has special resonance in Springfield, in part because Abraham Lincoln spent most of his adult life here, but also because of the city's history since his

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Lincoln Yellow Cab driver John Bankston said it's not prejudice, it's experience, when he was asked why he thinks his company put up a sign warning drivers about giving black males rides in their taxis. Bankston was robbed last week by two black males with a gun.

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S. Africans crowd polls for second democratic vote



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Black and white South Africans line up to choose local leaders in Sandton, Wednesday in the country's second democratic election.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Voters reshaped South Africa Wednesday, putting blacks in charge of cities and towns that had once been white preserves.

It was the first time South Africa has had local elections with all the country's races taking part and only the second time blacks have been allowed to vote.

The first, in April 1994, brought President Nelson Mandela to power and ended white minority rule at the national level. But at the local level there were still no black elected officials although some black mayors had been appointed as transitional leaders.

"This is the completion of the democratic process that we began" last year, Mandela said on a visit to a polling station in the Atteridgeville black township outside Pretoria.

Voting for almost 700 local and rural councils was marred in some areas by improper ballots, late officials and even a hungry elephant. Some people went to the wrong polling stations or found their names were not on the registration lists, slowing the process and provoking angry confrontations.

Election officials expressed satisfaction with the voting, calling it generally smoother than the problem-plagued national vote last year. But in some areas, long lines formed outside the polling places and the slow pace meant voting continued well after polls were to have closed.

"I want to live in a safe place, to be comfortable. To have a house, a street," said Winnie Cebu, a student living in a squatter camp south of Johannesburg.

Cebu arrived armed with a blanket, a tin pot of coffee and a deck of cards three hours before polls opened. Still, she was far from first in line at three green and yellow tents set up on a soccer field as polls for the Phola Park camp.

Results were expected Thursday but there was little doubt the winners would be with few exceptions black — if only because most of the candidates are black.

Elias Maluleke was pleased several candidates running for his community council in Johannesburg were neighbors.

"I've met them, I've sat and discussed with them. I know what they want out of life," said Maluleke, who is black.

Tommy Swanepoel, a white retired policeman, feared white conservatives would lose control in his town — Ventersdorp, the headquarters of the neo-Nazi Afrikaner Resistance Movement, west of Johannesburg.

"The biggest thing here is to make sure the white wards are still run by whites," he said. "We already pay all the taxes here and the blacks want us to pay over there too. They think we're all Father Christmas."

Mandela himself didn't vote Wednesday because he had registered in Cape Town. Disputes over districts' boundaries postponed voting until next year in KwaZulu-Natal province and the Cape Town metropolitan area. Procedural problems also postponed balloting in some isolated rural areas, which will hold elections later this year or next year.

A holiday was called for the elections. More than 15 million people were eligible to vote.

Going into the election, turnout had been expected to be low because of voter apathy and confusion over a dual ballot that asks people to vote for a candidate and then a party.

Many South Africans also complained Mandela's government had failed to deliver on promises of jobs and houses made before last year's election and questioned why they should vote again.

"Most of us, we don't want to vote because the government doesn't want to do anything for us," said Mongezeleli Nqilo, 27, outside a polling station in the Kayamandi black township near Stellenbosch in Western Cape province.

Among the logistical problems at some polling places were improper ballot papers, missing materials, late officials and even a lack of electricity.

Election officer Piet van Rooyen said the process was slowed in the area just southeast of Johannesburg because his staff had to argue with people whose names weren't on the register but demanded to vote anyway.

Prosecutors question president in slush-fund scandal

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The hovering news helicopters had flown away. The hordes of reporters had gone home. Most of the nation was in bed when the former president emerged, tentative and exhausted.

After a grueling round of questioning, Roh Tae-woo slipped out of the revolving door of the Seoul Prosecutor's Office at 2:22 a.m. today and faced a lone camera — an all-news cable television station.

"I am sorry to keep you up so late," said Roh, the first former South Korean president to face legal action for improper behavior in office.

"All responsibility is on me," he said. "I would like to express my bottomless regrets again to the people."

Thus repeating the tearful apology he made on live television last Friday, the man who once led South Korea all but stumbled to his car, where he needed his bodyguards' assistance to climb inside.

"The questioning didn't go well," said Choi Myong-sun, the assistant prosecutor-general.

Roh, 63, is being questioned about allegations that he collected $650 million in a secret political slush fund during his 1988-93 term.

Lee Chung-soo, the prosecution investigator coordinating the probe, said Roh consistently answered questions with "I don't know," "I can't say anything about it," or "I don't remember well."

"The questioning of Roh is taking more time than we expected because Mr. Roh is uncooperative in our investigation," Lee said.

Lee said Roh insistently denied taking money from businessmen in exchange for granting big-ticket government contracts. But prosecutors considering bribery charges are focusing on that aspect, he said.

President Kim Young-sam, who has denied allegations from main opposition leader Kim Dae-jung that Roh gave money to both of their 1992 presidential bids, is eager to demonstrate that he is tough on graft, a central promise of his election campaign.

He apparently sees this as a chance to break cleanly from past military-backed governments where businessmen knew that kickbacks were the way to lucrative contracts.

"If we miss this chance of eradicating corruption, public distrust will grow so deep that the whole political circle will go under," Kim told the Munhwa Ilbo newspaper.

The opposition expressed skepticism over Kim's vow of a thorough probe, claiming he is too tainted.

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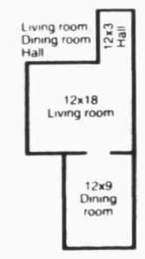
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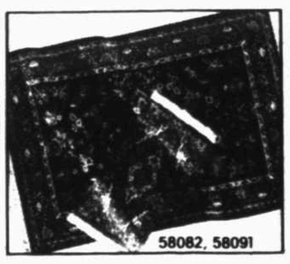
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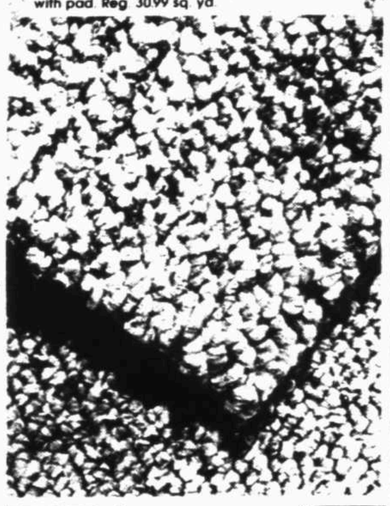
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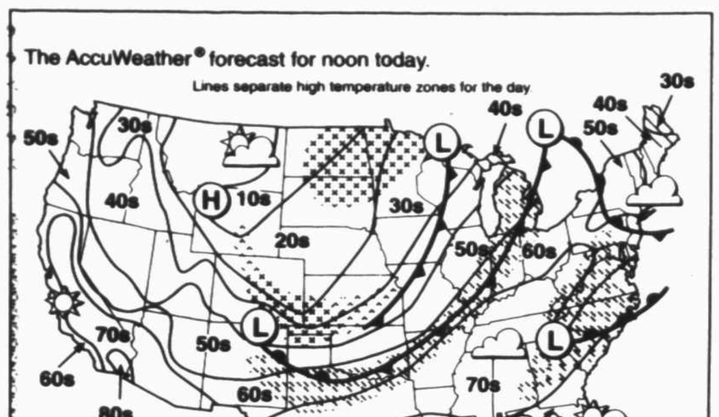
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WEATHER WATCH



Via Associated Press

Cooler weather heads into basin

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies and cooler with a high near 60 and north winds at 15-25 mph and gusty. Tonight should be mostly cloudy with a low of 30-35, according to the National Weather Service in Midland. Friday should be mostly cloudy with a high in the low 40s.

After an overnight low of 50, Wednesday's high reached 77, compared to the record high for that date of 87 set in 1952. The record low was 29 set in 1991.

STATE

Thunderstorms rumbled eastward out of North Texas on Wednesday, leaving partly cloudy skies and mild temperatures in their wake. However, some activity continued in Southeast Texas and a howling blue norther was poised to invade the state.

Winds were south to southwesterly from 10 to 20 mph with some higher gusts. However, winds behind a cold front across Northwest Texas were northerly at 5 to 15 mph and temperatures were much lower.

At 3 p.m., readings ranged from 49 degrees at Dalhart in the northern Panhandle to 91 degrees in McAllen in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

The North Texas forecast is for cloudy skies today with a chance of rain and thunderstorms. Windy and colder. High should range from 70s in the north to 80s in the southeast. Cloudy and cold tonight with a chance of rain. A low from 37 northwest to 50 southeast.

South Texas is expected to have continued mild temperatures with partly sunny skies today. Highs should be in the 80s with lows in the 50s and 60s, remaining cool on Friday.

Forecasters said snow flurries were possible in the northern Panhandle today but highs in the 80s in the Big Bend. Lows will be in the 30s to mid-50s in the south.

NATION

Temperatures dropped to record lows Wednesday from the Northwest into the Rockies, and more snow was scattered from the northern Rockies across the Plains to the Great Lakes. Strong thunderstorms rattled the lower Mississippi Valley.

Arctic air settled across much of the interior West during the morning, dropping temperatures to 1 below zero at Burns, Ore., the day's lowest reading in the Lower 48 states, and to zero at Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming.

Record lows for Nov. 1 included 15 at Boise, Idaho; 13 at Winnemucca, Nev.; 15 at Pendleton, Ore.; and 21 at Olympia, Wash.

Ahead of the cold air mass, snow fell through the morning and early afternoon from northern Colorado across Nebraska and the Dakotas into northern Minnesota and upper Michigan.

Most accumulations were less than 3 inches, but as much as 6 inches was possible overnight in parts of eastern North Dakota, northeastern South Dakota and northern Minnesota.

South from the area of snow, widespread rain and thunderstorms stretched down the Mississippi Valley into southeastern Texas, with up to an inch of rain in places.

Severe thunderstorms were reported during the morning in southeastern Texas, southwestern Louisiana and across Arkansas, with hail up to an inch in diameter and wind gusting to more than 60 mph.

Midland statistics

FORECAST

Today: mostly cloudy, high near 60, north winds at 15-25 mph.
Tonight: mostly cloudy, low of 30 to 35.
Friday: mostly cloudy, high in the low 40s.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:

Yesterday's High 77 degrees
Overnight Low 50 degrees
Sunset today 5:59 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:07 a.m.
Precipitation:
Last 24 hours 00.00 inches
This month to date 00.00 inches
Year to date 10.44 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

6 p.m.	71	6 a.m.	52		
7 p.m.	65	7 a.m.	51		
8 p.m.	61	8 a.m.	55		
9 p.m.	59	9 a.m.	61		
10 p.m.	56	10 a.m.	67		
11 p.m.	57	11 a.m.	71		
midnight	53	noon	73		
1 a.m.	52	1 p.m.	76		
2 a.m.	54	2 p.m.	76		
3 a.m.	51	3 p.m.	76		
4 a.m.	51	4 p.m.	76		
5 a.m.	51	5 p.m.	76		
				6 p.m.	72

Area forecast

West Texas: Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Today, becoming mostly cloudy and turning colder. High 60 to 65 with temperatures falling during the afternoon. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 30 to 35. Friday, mostly cloudy. High in the lower 40s. Friday night, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of light rain. Lows in the lower to mid-30s. Extended forecast. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Highs in the mid-40s to near 50. Sunday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of rain. Lows in the 30s. Highs around 50. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows around 40. Highs in the lower to mid-60s. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Today, partly cloudy. Turning cooler in the afternoon. High in the 70s. Tonight, mostly cloudy and colder. Low in the 30s. Friday, mostly cloudy. High in the lower to mid-40s. Friday night, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of rain. Lows 35-40. Extended forecast. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Highs 45-50. Sunday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Lows in the 30s. Highs around 50. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the lower to mid 60s. Far West Texas — Today, partly cloudy. High around 70. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 40 to 45. Friday, mostly cloudy and cooler. High around 60. Friday night, mostly cloudy. A chance of rain. Lows from the upper 30s to lower 40s. Extended forecast. Saturday, mostly cloudy. A chance of rain. Highs in the lower to mid-50s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows around 40. Highs around 60. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows around 40. Highs in the lower 60s.

Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Abilene	81	56	0.20
Austin	81	62	1.52
Beaumont-Port Arthur	80	68	0.43
Bryan-College Station	85	64	1.27
Corpus Christi	85	74	
Dallas	84	59	0.27
El Paso	70	53	
Fort Worth	84	58	0.71
Galveston	79	74	0.17
Houston	78	65	0.22
Laredo	90	74	
Lubbock	78	49	
Marfa	66	36	
San Angelo	81	59	0.33
San Antonio	80	63	0.13
Victoria	86	74	0.02
Waco	83	62	0.47
Wink	78	53	

Weather elsewhere

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 6:30 p.m. CST

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albuquerque	64	49	cdy	
Atlanta	62	53	08	cdy
Baltimore	61	52	34	rn
Boston	48	45	rn	
Charlotte N C	65	51	02	rn
Chicago	62	49	30	rn
Cincinnati	65	56	rn	
Cleveland	68	49	13	rn
Denver	34	34	02	sn
Detroit	64	44	03	rn
Flagstaff	46	43	18	cdy
Indianapolis	67	51	37	rn
Kansas City	64	42	81	clr
Las Vegas	74	62	clr	
Little Rock	77	60	22	cdy
Los Angeles	68	60	09	clr
Milwaukee	58	40	68	rn
Nashville	72	59	20	rn
New Orleans	86	67	rn	
New York City	57	51	28	rn
Oklahoma City	79	56	26	cdy
Philadelphia	59	53	19	rn
Phoenix	74	61	cdy	
Pittsburgh	72	49	rn	
St Louis	66	58	23	rn
Salt Lake City	45	27	clr	
San Diego	66	60	27	cdy
San Francisco	65	56	clr	
St Ste Marie	36	32	21	rn
Seattle	54	34	clr	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	85	71	12	cdy
Tucson	71	53	cdy	
Washington D C	61	56	32	

GUILTY: Punishment phase for Ortiz begins today

(From 1A)

bruised.

"He signed his name in her body" leaving his semen to be identified with DNA testing, Ms. Clingman said.

The child's pubic hair was "on his marital bed" and was found on his clothes, Ms. Clingman added. She also spoke of the hair ripped from the child's head "violently torn in her struggle for life."

Ms. Clingman called the child's death a "cold, planned, premeditated murder."

Referring to testimony that Ortiz borrowed some cheese from Julianne shortly before her death, Ms. Clingman called the move a "ruse" to see if the child was alone.

She said he had a refrigerator full of food, as documented by police testimony and photographs. He even had cheese in a dairy chamber in the door of the refrigerator, she added.

The child probably went to Ortiz's apartment searching for her cat, Ms. Clingman said. She said the child obviously planned to only be gone a brief period because she left without her shoes on, without her keys and with a half-full glass of milk.

"She had no idea of the evil 15 seconds away from her apartment," Ms. Clingman said.

Julianne was "brutally raped ... in keeping with his plan to take her life," the prosecutor said.

She said he had to have intended to kill the child because she couldn't come out of the apartment alive because she could identify him and where he lived.

"You cannot rape a neighbor child and expect it not to be reported," Ms. Clingman said.

"He would have gotten away with it if he could have carried the hamper out to his car and thrown away the evidence," Ms. Clingman speculated to the jury.

But, she said, Julianne's mother was intuitive and suspicious of Ortiz from the start.

Ms. Fisher acted on gut, motherly instinct, Ms. Clingman said. She said that when Ms. Fisher knocked on his door, Ortiz took a long time to respond and acted as if he had been interrupted.

"It took so long to come to the door because he was stuffing her daughter in a hamper to hide her," she said.

When he came to the door, he told Ms. Fisher he thought she was his wife returning from a funeral in Pecos. Ms. Clingman told the jury he was trying to hide the body from his wife.

"He couldn't dispose of the body because Lynn Fisher acted too fast," Ms. Clingman said. She told the jury Ortiz walked out to the parking lot to "see if the coast is clear" to dispose of the child's body.

She spoke of Ortiz going to show concern for Ms. Fisher, hugging her and acting calm and concerned like a neighbor should. All the while, Julianne lay dead in Ortiz's apartment.

Ms. Clingman said the police acted too fast for Ortiz to dispose of the evidence of his crime.

Outside the courtroom, in between the prosecution and defense closing arguments, Ms. Fisher exchanged hugs with Ortiz's wife of 25 years, Julie Ortiz, and their 23-year-old daughter, Anna.

Defense attorney H.W. "Woody" Leverett told the jury this was a case full of very disturbing facts and shocking pictures and details.

"I'm not going to downplay the magnitude of Ms. Fisher's loss. There was a crime committed; a crime Henry Lopez Ortiz will have to pay for," Leverett said.

However, he asked the jury to put aside personal feelings and not let their emotions take over.

Leverett said there was no doubt Ortiz is guilty of murder and aggravated sexual assault, but he said he didn't believe he was guilty of capital murder.

He said that verdict hinged on the mental state of Ortiz, whether he could intentionally cause the death of the child or whether he knew it could happen, but didn't desire it as the outcome.

The legal definition of capital murder includes having the intent to kill the person as part of the crime; in murder the actor has to know his actions could cause the death, but that isn't the goal.

"I think that's what we have here. I don't think the state proved he intentionally killed Julianne Powell," Leverett said.

He said Ortiz didn't have the mental capability to methodically plan to kill the child and also noted this was not the kind of crime committed with foresight.

Leverett said this was a crime on the spur of the moment with Ortiz knowing that his wife and Julianne's mother was coming home soon.

The defense attorney said Ortiz was under a pressure cooker and did not premeditate this crime.

He reminded the jury of the personality change Ortiz underwent after his injury and then one juror began to doze as Leverett went into a synopsis of the medical testimony about Ortiz's brain damage.

Leverett talked about the impairment of the brain and how it caused impulsiveness, loss of judgment and the more profound effect combined with alcohol.

Ortiz's background lead to this attack, Leverett implied, saying all his stress, brain damage and the alcohol, and the years of trying to function converges and his taken out on Julianne.

Because the state has the burden of proof, the prosecution gets to close the remarks.

Midland County District Attorney Al Schorre showed the jury a photo of Julianne smiling to remind everyone what the trial was about, he said.

He recapped the DNA and hair evidence and characterized the defense as "bogging around in the evidence" in an attempt to get off the real issue in the case.

Schorre said all of Ortiz's actions show he was goal-oriented. He asked the jury to do justice in this case and speak for Julianne because she can no long speak.

VOTES: House passes bill to bar late-term abortion

(From 1A)

Tom Daschle of South Dakota said he suspects there is "a significant degree of support" there for the legislation.

At the White House, spokesman Mike McCurry said President Clinton was "concerned that any legislative language protect both the life and the health of the mother."

The procedure, as described by supporters of the ban, involves the doctor pulling the baby by the legs through the birth canal until only the head remains inside the womb, then sticking a scissors in the skull and sucking out the brains so the head can pass out of the body.

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., a leading abortion opponent, described it as a "macabre, gruesome, Auschwitz-like operation."

Opponents argued that the procedure is used only in second- and third-trimester pregnancies where the life of the mother is in danger or severe fetal abnormalities are found. They also said the fetus usually dies from anesthesia administered to the mother before the procedure begins.

"Apparently the supporters think it's more important to save a doomed fetus than to save the life of a woman and her ability to have children in the future," said Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y.

"As a woman today standing in this chamber, I feel like I'm in a chamber of horrors," said Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Col.

Canady argued that there was "no shred of evidence" that the procedure was ever the only way to save a mother and that the legislation does allow for exceptions when a mother's life is at risk.

Opponents replied that the bill is written so that doctors could use that defense only when prosecuted. Doctors would face up to two years in prison and could also be sued by family members for performing such abortions.

Women who have had the procedure lobbied House members up to the last minute to vote against the bill, saying that those supported the legislation misrepresented such abortions.

"If it has been described to us even close to what they are portraying, no mother would have let it happen," said Tammy Watts, 31, of Tempe, Ariz.

Watts was seven months pregnant when she learned that a rare chromosomal disorder was causing her fetus to die inside of her. Her doctor said that continuing the pregnancy could also kill her.

Meanwhile, the Senate rejected an abortion provision attached by the House to a compromise $12.1 billion foreign aid package.

The House provision would ban aid to private organizations that condone abortions in their overseas activities. The Senate voted 53-44 for a less restrictive clause on funds for groups that lobby overseas for or against abortion. With the Senate vote, the bill must again return to a House-Senate conference for negotiations.

TRIGGER: Employers weigh effects of handgun law

(From 1A)

the No. 1 cause of death in the workplace, he said the provision could extend into issues of workplace safety and Workers Compensation.

"Suppose two employees are in a fistfight," he said. "The employer could be liable. If the fistfight started as a result of workplace issues, it's covered under Workers Compensation. If the two employees fight and one of them dies, a jury could rule the employer was grossly negligent if there had been previous incidents or there was inadequate security. The employer could also face liability under the Occupational Safety and Health Act, which contains a general duty clause requiring a safe work environment."

And if domestic violence reaches the workplace, with an estranged spouse attacking or killing an employee on the premises, that is not covered by Workers Comp under a "personal animosity" clause. But Dargene said the employer could still be found liable if a jury finds inadequate security or if the employee had been attacked by the estranged spouse before and did nothing.

"What's bringing this issue to the front," he said, "is people now have the right to carry a concealed weapon and employers are wondering how to protect themselves."

Several businesses already are prohibiting weapons, an act Dargene said displeases employees. And he predicted that the issue will soon surface in court.

"One issue that will have to be decided is, if you prohibit employees from carrying properly permitted handguns on the premises, are you liable for keeping the employee from protecting himself? A classic case are convenience stores. Suppose a clerk at a convenience store that has been robbed numerous times is robbed and killed. There's going to be, at some point, a clerk's family that sues that convenience store chain, saying that by prohibiting concealed weapons, that chain prevented the clerk from properly protecting himself."

As all ramifications of the right-to- carry law are worked out, Dargene suggested employers can protect themselves from liability in several ways: Screen job applicants closely; make sure employees have all required licenses and certificates; and establish workplace violence policies.

PEACE: 'This will be a long journey,' Christopher says

(From 1A)

pher said Bosnia-Herzegovina was entitled to be "a country at peace and not a killing field."

"This will be a long journey," he said, "but it all starts here. Let's all get down to work."

The three Balkan presidents, Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, Franjo Tudjman of Croatia and Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia, made no opening statements. They shook hands at Christopher's urging, but did not smile at each other.

"The world can and will help you make peace," Christopher told them. "But only you can ensure that this process will succeed."

Shrugging off those who claim the ethnic rivalries are so long-standing and intense peace was unlikely, Christopher pointed to the Arab-Israeli conflict and those in Northern Ireland and South Africa as proof "negotiations can work when people are determined to make them work."

The talks, being held at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, then went into closed session. There is no scheduled windup date, and American mediator Richard Holbrooke, who will be in day-to-day charge, has said he would keep at it until there is some success.

Symbolically, at least, the negotiations were off to a good start. They convened at the Hope Hotel, named after comedian Bob Hope.

"If the war in the Balkans is reignited," Christopher said somberly, "it could spark a wider conflict like those that drew American soldiers to Europe in huge numbers twice in this century. And certainly, if it spread, it would jeopardize our efforts to promote peace and stability in Europe."

He added, "If we succeed, we can make sure that the sons and daughters of Americans will not have to participate in another major war in Europe."

Entering the conference hall, however, Bosnian Foreign Minister Muhamed Sacirbey said "if it fails it won't fail because of us." He said European Union and the United States "stood on the sidelines and observed" during his country's long period of war and atrocities.

The Clinton administration is confronted with widespread skepticism in Congress about the wisdom of sending up to 25,000 U.S. troops to help enforce a settlement, if there is one. Challenging President Clinton's pledge, the House approved a nonbinding resolution Monday that he should get approval from Congress first and that the negotiations should not be based on the "presumption" there would be U.S. peacekeepers.

Clinton met at the White House with congressional leaders Wednesday in hopes of blunting opposition to the use of American troops to enforce any peace settlement. He did not appear to make much headway.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich said the administration has not been successful in building support for a U.S. deployment. "In fact, if anything, there is less support than a month ago," Gingrich said afterward. He said Clinton faces "a very substantial challenge in convincing the American people and convincing the Congress that this was a reasonable risk of young Americans' lives."

According to an NBC News-Wall Street Journal poll released Wednesday, 51 percent of Americans oppose having U.S. grounds troops take part in a Bosnia peacekeeping force. The poll found 41 percent supporting Clinton's plan and 8 percent undecided. A similar survey in March found 65 percent opposed, 30 percent in favor and 5 percent undecided.

Christopher, acknowledging the dissent, said Americans were asking "serious and appropriate questions" about American peacekeeping troops going to Bosnia.

"The United States will not send troops where there is no peace to keep," he said.

Gen. John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has said U.S. troops could be deployed as promptly as 96 hours after a settlement.

But Christopher, talking to reporters during a recess, said there was at least one condition: the removal of Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic, the Bosnian Serbs' political and military leaders.

They are under indictment in a U.N. tribunal on war crimes charges.

TAXI: Cab company warns against picking up black males

(From 1A)

death.

In 1987, a federal court ruling brought an end to a system of commission government that opponents claimed was designed to dilute black voting power. The system itself was instituted after a 1908 race riot that prompted the founding of the NAACP.

The latest episode drew sharp criticism from black leaders.

"That's like saying all black people are robbers," said David Livingston, state president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. "You can't judge a person by just looking at them. That's discriminatory and stereotyping."

"You always have hopes that attitudes are changing," said Frank McNeil, a black city alderman who was a leader in overturning the commission government. "I don't think that's anything that we haven't witnessed in the past. Something as obvious as a sign, I would think, goes a little bit far."

McNeil said he will ask city officials to seek evidence for potential punitive action against the taxi company.

Legal experts said a policy against picking up blacks also probably violates state and federal civil rights laws.

Reno denied that the note reflected an effort to discriminate, saying the company does a large business with blacks.

"I feel all I'm doing is trying to alert my drivers for their safety because that's what we're being robbed by, is black males," Reno said.

The Lincoln fleet of 21 cabs, this city's largest, has been robbed about 10 times in the last 30 days by thieves who were carrying guns or knives or who put a hand in a pocket as if it held a weapon, he said.

Reno said he had not seen the note on the company bulletin board until it was pointed out by a reporter. But he said he later determined his wife, a secretary at the firm, posted the note on instructions from her superiors. He would not identify the superiors.

Springfield Police Lt. Bob Shipman said his records show 14 reported cab robberies in the city since Jan. 1. Five of those occurred between Sept. 24 and Oct. 31, Shipman said.

Springfield's taxi ordinance requires taxi drivers to pick up anybody who wants to use a cab unless he is drunk or disorderly.

Daryle Williamson, the city's business licensing manager, said the sign "doesn't sound appropriate."

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

1-3-10-11-27-40

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $4 million

Pick 3 Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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Secrets emerge of South Africa's war on wildlife, slaughter of animals

MAPUTO, Mozambique (AP) — The endless bush of Mozambique screams with silence. It stands stripped of wildlife by three decades of war and what now is emerging as a vast, systematic slaughter of animals encouraged by the armed forces of apartheid-era South Africa.

A new judicial inquiry in South Africa reveals that military and intelligence units trafficked in poached ivory and rhino horn to finance civil wars the regime fanned in Mozambique, Angola and Namibia during the 1970s and 80s.

Although South Africa has long boasted of leadership in conservation, the evidence suggests some in the white-minority establishment cared nothing about slaughtering elephants and rhinoceroses by the thousands in neighboring nations.

South Africa kept the wars alive to destabilize hostile black-ruled neighbors. The chaos allowed armed factions on all sides to massacre wildlife for food, personal profit and war funds.

In Mozambique alone, half a dozen armies used everything from assault rifles to aircraft to slaughter animals. Under the cover of civil war, 90 percent of Mozambique's elephants were butchered.

"Helicopters were used to absolutely decimate wildlife," conservationist Paul Dutton said. "With a helicopter gunship, you could annihilate a whole river of hippos." Their teeth would be carved for decorations in Asia.

Peace returned to Mozambique three years ago and officials rejoice that some surviving elephants have emerged from hiding. But the legacy of war grips the countryside, where one can travel for hours and see nothing larger than a bird.

White rhinoceroses, reintroduced to Mozambique in the 1960s, became locally extinct during the war. Only a handful of rare black rhinos are left. The elephant population fell from 66,500 in 1974 to an estimated 7,000 in 1989.

Environmentalists long accused the South African military of playing a big role in elephant and rhino poaching — killing animals themselves or getting allies to do it, then arranging for tusks and horns to be transported out of war zones and sold.

"This was an open secret," said Allan Thornton, chairman of the London-based Environmental Investigation Agency. "Trafficking during the apartheid era was a formal or informal policy, at least on the part of some elements in the government."

In 1988, the South African army cleared itself of wrongdoing in an internal inquiry. That remains the official verdict until a new, independent commission appointed by President Nelson Mandela's government issues its report early next year.

Judge Mark Kumleben's inquiry recently heard four weeks of testimony, mostly from ex-military and intelligence men. Some of the evidence alleges:

—South Africa set up a front company in 1977 to fly weapons to Angolan rebels and fly out poached ivory to pay for them. A general claimed the traffic stopped in 1979 — a year South Africa issued permits to import 3,911 elephants tusks and 700 rhino horns from Angola. But traders testified that South Africa's army kept moving ivory out of Angola throughout the 1980s. Similar networks existed in Mozambique.

—South African commandos in Namibia would cross the Zambezi River into Zambia in speedboats at night and return before dawn. One soldier said that the raiding parties would leave base with empty wooden crates. On their return, the crates held elephants tusks and rhino horns.

—Environmental groups investigating wildlife trafficking discovered that some dealers were actually members of the South African military, according to a confidential report in 1989 prepared by the World Wide Fund for Nature.

South Africa was not alone in poaching in Mozambique. Of the six armies that fought there from the 1960s until a cease-fire in 1992, possibly only the Portuguese abstained.

Dutton, a wildlife consultant and former game ranger who has worked in Mozambique since before independence, described finding a huge pile of bones at one national park near what was once a military camp.

"A total wipeout for meat," he said. "The only thing left in the whole park were some small antelope and a couple of hippos. It had been the only area in Mozambique where there had been giraffes. There's none now."

Perry expresses sorrow, anger for rapes in Japan

TOKYO (AP) — Hoping to put U.S.-Japanese defense relations back on track, Defense Secretary William Perry apologized profusely to Japan Wednesday for alleged rapes by U.S. servicemen. He also said that Japan's security still depends on America.

The gang rape of a 12-year-old girl on Okinawa, allegedly by two Marines and a Navy seaman who go on trial next week, has magnified a long-simmering resentment by many in Japan of having 47,000 American troops in their midst.

In a speech to the Japan National Press Club dominated by the Okinawa problem, Perry said he was speaking for all members of the U.S. armed forces in expressing "my deep sorrow and anger for this terrible act" of rape Sept. 4.

At the same time, Perry made a point of saying Japan still needs the United States to ensure its security, even though the former Soviet threat is gone. Therefore Japan must accept the inconveniences that come with hosting troops, he said.

"We hope those (American) forces will never have to be called into combat, but if they are I will be very glad and you will be very glad that they are based where they are," Perry told the mostly Japanese audience.

President Clinton and other U.S. officials publicly expressed regret shortly after the Americans were arrested for the Okinawa assault. Perry, however, went further in his apology Wednesday — reflecting a deep concern of the Clinton administration that the incident could rupture relations with Japan.

Perry also announced that, in response to Okinawan protests against the American military presence, Washington and Tokyo will establish a "special action committee" to recommend measures for consolidating bases or possibly reducing the number of American troops on the island.

The specifics, including the committee's charter and timetable for action, will be announced by Clinton and Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama when they meet in Tokyo in mid-November, Perry said.

Perry also said he and his Japanese counterpart, Seishiro Eto, and Foreign Minister Yohei Kono, had agreed Japan would continue supporting the 47,000 U.S. troops based in Japan, including those on Okinawa. Japan pays about 70 percent of the non-salary cost of basing the Americans in Okinawa and elsewhere in Japan.

Perry left open the possibility that some of the approximately 26,000 on Okinawa could be shifted to other parts of Japan but that Japan would have to pay for that.

In his speech, Perry said he felt "deep sorrow for the little girl who was the tragic victim and for her family, and anger at the perpetrators whose actions not only caused a tragedy for the victims but also unfairly reflected on the many fine American military personnel in Japan."

"I also want to apologize for the pain and the concern this has caused the Japanese people," Perry said. "The American people share this pain with you."

Perry said the U.S. military personnel on Okinawa had earned a reputation over the years as "good neighbors."

"Every American serviceman and woman in Japan has pledged to regain this reputation" in the aftermath of the rape, "and to regain your respect," Perry said.

To underscore this message, Perry flew to Yokosuka, outside Tokyo, the Navy base that is home to the U.S. 7th Fleet, including the aircraft carrier USS Independence. There he gave a pep talk to the troops meant to reassure them that neither he nor the American public equates them with the accused rapists.

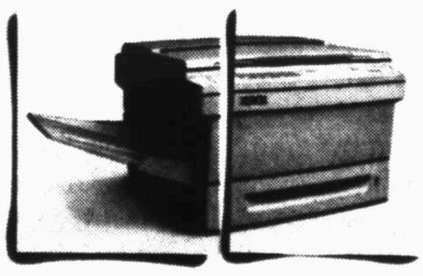
"My single message to you is a big thank you," Perry told a group of Marines who had just completed drills at Yokosuka. "Keep up the good work. Your country is proud of you." He also spoke to the crew of the frigate USS Rodney M. Davis and paid a courtesy call to sailors aboard a Japanese destroyer.

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Resignation opens way for fiery leader to head separatists

MONTREAL (AP) — Undeterred by their referendum defeat, Quebec separatists cleared the way Wednesday for Lucien Bouchard — the charismatic leader who rallied a floundering campaign to the brink of victory — to take over the provincial government.

Bouchard, who remained coy about his plans, could breathe new life into the independence movement if he leaves his seat in Parliament to replace outgoing Quebec Premier Jacques Parizeau. As soon as he learned of the separatists' narrow loss in Monday's secession referendum, Bouchard vowed to launch another breakaway attempt.

At a dramatic news conference Tuesday, Parizeau, 65, announced that he would resign next month. He cited the defeat as the reason, but he also had come under harsh criticism from his colleagues for blaming the loss on non-French immigrants.

The separatists lost Monday by 50.6 percent to 49.4 percent — just 53,000 votes out of 4.6 million cast. About 90 percent of Quebec's immigrants voted against separation, while 60 percent of the French-speaking majority voted for it.

La Presse, a French-language Montreal daily, said pressure on Bouchard from party militants was so intense that he had no choice but to take over from Parizeau as premier and Parti Quebecois leader.



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Quebec Premier Jacques Parijeau is applauded by members of his cabinet Wednesday as he enters a meeting in Quebec City, one day after he announced his resignation.

Other possible contenders said they would defer to Bouchard if he sought the two posts.

"It's the man who can best serve the cause who should be the successor," said Deputy Premier Bernard Landry. "In everyone's eyes it's Lucien Bouchard."

The Parti Quebecois, which took power in Quebec last year, chooses its leader through a vote of all 150,000 members. The party leadership council, which sets dates for such elections, is not scheduled to meet until Dec. 9, but could move up the session.

Federalists fear Bouchard could be an even more formidable foe than Parizeau, and they assailed him for threatening to initiate a new secession campaign so soon after the divisive referendum.

"Enough is enough," said Daniel Johnson, leader of the federalist Liberal Party in Quebec. "The last thing that Quebeckers want is another referendum. They want a government that governs."

Quebec law prohibits two referendums being held on any one topic during a single government's term of office. Bouchard could try to amend that law to pave the way for another referendum, but even some Parti Quebecois leaders feel the first task should be to tackle Quebec's financial problems.

"To have only one referendum during each term is a wise choice," said Public Security Minister Serge Menard. "It requires a lot of energy from politicians and citizens."

In the aftermath of the referendum, Prime Minister Jean Chretien's federal government has promised to work quickly on political changes that might satisfy Quebec nationalists.

Chretien said those changes could include formal recognition of Quebec as a "distinct society" and decentralization that would shift some federal powers to Quebec and other provinces.

Bouchard told reporters Tuesday in Ottawa he had no interest in discussing those proposals, which he called half-measures.

"There is nobody who is going to get us sovereigntists into another 30-year cycle of sterile discussions, of trickery, of swindles," he said. "Quebec will negotiate as equal-to-equal after it has achieved its sovereignty."

Bouchard has long been popular in Quebec, but he gained near-mythic status last year when he lost a leg to a nearly fatal flesh-eating disease, then returned energetically to the separatist campaign, walking with a cane.

A month before the referendum vote, the separatists were trailing badly in the polls. The professorial Parizeau, who was officially in charge of the campaign, agreed to let Bouchard take over as the No. 1 speaker at rallies and meetings.

Almost immediately, the separatists surged to a virtual deadheat in the polls as Bouchard electrified crowds with his impassioned oratory.

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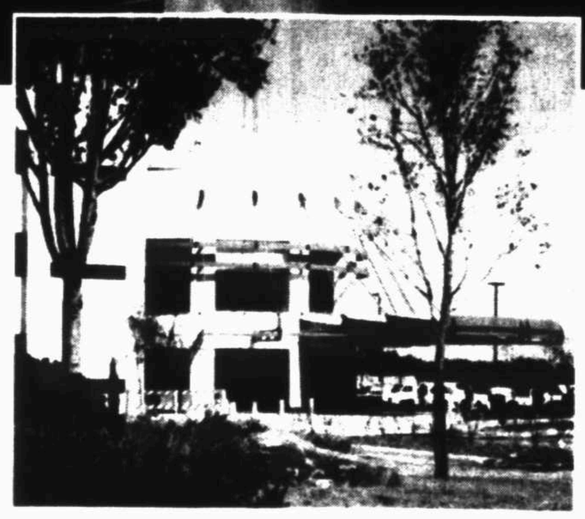


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Haitians dream of riches, New York State Lottery

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Haitians are dreaming their way to riches, and it's all thanks to the New York State Lottery.

Each evening, thousands of Haitians place bets at borlettes, the gaudily painted lottery outlets found on nearly every block towns and along country roads.

Each morning, they wake up to find the winning numbers — which are New York's, drawn the night before and beamed into Haiti by television.

And as likely as not, they picked their numbers in their dreams.

"Haitians dream about the lottery because they are superstitious," said Alain Steide, a vendor at Chez Toto borlette shop on downtown Dessalines Boulevard.

Most shops offer guides to dreams and lottery numbers, a "tchala" dictionary in which customers match the subjects of their dreams to corresponding numbers.

"When someone dreams about a TV or a chair, there's a number there for you," Steide said, bringing out his own well-thumbed dictionary.

Haitians use the New York State Lottery's "Daily Number" and "Pick Four" draws because the televised drawings ensure that "it's a clean game," Steide said.

Haiti used to rely on Venezuela's national lottery, until someone discovered that the organizers were ripping off customers by switching numbers. Television ensures accuracy in New York's case.

Borlettes also offer the neighboring Dominican Republic's lottery, but that's drawn only on Sunday. Haiti's own biweekly national lottery is on hold until the government installs its own electronic drawing machine.

Previous military governments ran corrupt national lotteries, and many private lottery chain owners befriended the military rulers. The owner of the Celeste lottery chain, Jean-Jean Bastien, financed the feared paramilitary group FRAPH, whom Haitians blame for hundreds of killing under military rule 1991-94. Bastien was killed while the soldiers were in power.

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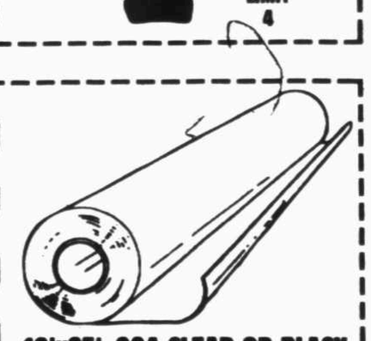
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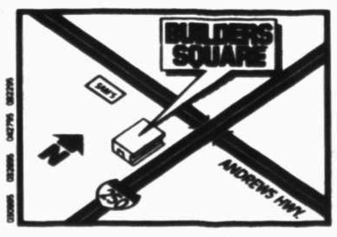
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Confusion feared by Hospice group

Officials with Hospice of Midland were understandably concerned recently that their organization, which serves primarily Midland County, would be confused with Hospice of the Southwest, an organization headquartered in Odessa that serves 19 counties and has suffered from recent news articles concerning its finances. The two organizations are entirely separate entities with separate boards of directors and funding mechanisms.

Recent news articles that said Hospice of the Southwest ended its last fiscal year $300,000 in the red and alleged the organization had lavish spending practices are certainly reasons for public concern about THAT hospice organization. But it should not be confused with Hospice of Midland.

Hospice of Midland, which was started 15 years ago and a full four years before Hospice of the Southwest, is a cost-efficient organization. In fact, of the $1.3 million budgeted by Hospice of Midland last year, only $267,000 was allocated for non-funded care. Of each dollar budgeted, 87.6 cents go directly for patient care.

Of course, that is what the public thinks a hospice organization should do — direct its funds to care for terminally ill patients at perhaps the most emotionally difficult time of their lives.

Hospice of Midland does that in outstanding fashion and, through the years, the gratitude of the families the organization has served has been overwhelming. Hospice of Midland serves a vital role for terminally ill patients and their families in Midland County, and it would not be right for its annual fund-raising efforts to suffer because of publicity concerning a completely different hospice organization in this area.

GEORGE WILL

Balanced budget won't include metal coins

WASHINGTON — Women on the farther shores of feminism might be right after all. Perhaps America really is a phallocentric patriarchy run for the convenience of men. Perhaps that is why Congress is so reluctant to save hundreds of millions a year by replacing the one dollar bill with a longer-lived metal coin.



Will

Metal coins, although heavier than paper bills, are fine for women to carry in their purses, less so for men's pants pockets. So metal coins may be too great a sacrifice even for this autumn of frugality.

Still, if metal coins replaced dollar bills, men might start carrying purses, which would advance an agenda favored by many advanced thinkers, that of blurring the distinction between the sexes. And a men's purse industry would nicely nudge the economy onward. So, the metal dollar would be a triple play — an economic stimulus, a bite out of the deficit and an affirmation of androgyny.

Every other industrial nation has replaced with metal coins those paper bills valued comparably to the dollar. Of course the Clinton administration, which praises generic "change" and opposes most specific changes, opposes the metal dollar. However, hundreds of millions of dollars in savings is not chopped liver. Think of all the chocolate-covered performance artists and homoerotic photography exhibits the National Endowment for the Arts could sponsor with that piece of change. You would rather not think of that? Then think of whatever the government does that you would like it to do more of. Take your time.

But while you tarry, interest groups are weighing in. Kelly Owen of the Los Angeles Times reports that the Mount Vernon Ladies Association, keeper of George Washington's memory, is appalled that their hero would lose his place of honor on the venerable greenback. Some people worry that the metal dollar would look too much like a quarter, but metal partisans say it could be colored by including copper in it. Of course that, like everything else anyone thinks of doing, alarms environmentalists, who say copper mining makes holes in the ground, pollutes water and disturbs animals.

The American Council of the Blind favors a metal dollar for obvious reasons. But the metal dollar is opposed by a group called Save the Greenback, which Kelly Owen says represents unions from the Bureau of Printing and Engraving and companies that supply things like the ink and linen that go into dollar bills. Urban mass transit officials prefer metal to paper. The Chicago Transit Authority, for example, spends 22 dollars to straighten and count every thousand one dollar bills, and it counts 285,000 a day. The vending machine industry is backing the metal dollar, although vending machines are perfectly capable of ingesting a perfectly ironed paper dollar.

The metal dollar is an idea ripe for this autumn, which features the Republican Congress calling the nation's bluff. Republicans are saying to the country: You say you want a balanced budget. How much do you want it? Enough to bear the burden of metal dollars?

Apparently not, perhaps because the last two times the government tried metal dollars, it made a hash of things. The Eisenhower dollar, introduced in 1971, was a clunker, the size of the old silver dollar. Besides, paper dollars stayed in circulation, as they did in 1979 when the Susan B. Anthony dollar appeared, looking too much like a quarter. The mint stopped making the things after three years, although the mint still has many millions of them in a closet.

John F. Kelly of The Washington Post reports that some women artists, and men who salute their artistry, passionately want paper dollars preserved. The women are topless dancers who receive part of their compensation in the form of dollar bills tucked into their garters and G-strings by appreciative patrons. This form of positive feedback could not survive the coming of metal dollars, according to an expert that Kelly found. He is Don Waitt, publisher of the Exotic Dancer Directory. (Is this a prolific country, or what?)

"Girls," says Waitt, "have been dancing topless and nude since cave man days. They'll find a way to adapt, whether it's to carry a cup or something else. But it definitely destroys the whole mystique and the whole give-and-take of the industry. When you tip the girl a dollar, there is a brief bond there, or an imagined bond between the girl and the guy. To just drop a dollar into a cup, it's just not the same."

A balanced budget will involve pain, but evidently will not involve the cruelty of metal money that would impede such bonding.

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ANOTHER VIEW

Brits, Irish unionists to jump-start talks

With some behind-the-scenes prodding from American diplomatic trouble-shooters, the British government and Northern Ireland unionists have signalled a willingness to jump-start stalled peace negotiations.

In a significant policy shift, Sir Patrick Mayhew, Britain's Secretary for Northern Ireland, suggested (on Oct. 17) that the Irish Republican Army might not have to disarm before its representatives are permitted to take part in peace talks for the British province.

The IRA has honored a cease-fire it proclaimed more than a year ago. At the same time, a matching truce has been upheld by pro-British "loyalist" extremists on the Protestant side. ...

Mayhew and Irish government officials agreed that the next step would be the establishment of a disarmament panel and the start of talks involving the two governments and all the parties in Northern Ireland, including Sinn Fein.

The apparent shift in Britain's position came after two days of meetings in London of Anthony Lake, President Clinton's national security adviser, and senior British and unionist officials.

At ... Lake's side was Nancy Soderberg, who has been a behind-the-scenes architect of U.S. policy on Northern Ireland. Although American officials have denied that their mission was to "bang heads" to achieve a compromise, for the sake of argument, let's just say they knew what buttons to push.

— The Times-Picayune New Orleans, La.

MIKE ROYKO

Car repair no day at beach but maybe at dunes

Betty Whitters, 71, of Oak Lawn, Ill., believes that because she is a grandmother, an auto-repair shop took advantage of her. And she wants me to sound the alarm to other grampses and grannies.



Royko

Here is her shocking story in her own words:

"This happened in August. But despite the time that has passed, I felt I must tell you about it to help other senior citizens.

"I was leaving home on a Friday morning when my car broke down. I had it towed to the shop where I normally take it for maintenance.

"I have been taking my car there for some years and thought I could trust them. How little I knew.

"Later that afternoon, they called me and said they had found the problem, but would be unable to finish it for me that day.

"They said they are closed on weekends, but that it would be ready on Monday.

"On Monday, I picked up my car. And paid $287.10 for a new computer module.

"Now, my car is a 1986 Olds Cutlass, but it had only 20,583 miles on it.

"I will tell you why I know exactly how much mileage I had.

"When I returned home, I noticed the mileage seemed to be a lot higher than when I had it towed.

"So I checked the towing bill. Sure enough, it was listed as 20,307 miles.

"But now it was 20,583 miles — 276 miles more than when I left it with them. Also, I had filled the tank on Thursday, and now it was just half-full.

"I didn't know what to think. So I called the owner and I asked him how it could be that it had 276 miles more than when I left it with them.

"He told me it needed a road test.

"Well, 276 miles is quite a road test, don't you think?"

As road tests go, yes, 276 miles seems more than adequate. That's about three trips from Chicago to Milwaukee. Or to the Mississippi River and back. Or one-way to Cincinnati. They must give very thorough road tests.

"So my daughter called the owner, and he said they don't have computers to check out problems, so they have to give road tests. He said that if I was unhappy, I could come in for an oil change.

"And he said that I had given them permission to take it for a road test, which I had not.

"But then I happened to open the trunk of my car, and do you know what I found?"

A dead body?

"No. I found sand."

Ah, sand in the trunk. Very interesting. What does it mean?

"I didn't know what it meant until I was cleaning out my car two days later. And do you know what I found?"

I'll try a dead body again.

"No, I found a receipt for the Indiana State Dunes."

Ah hah! Sand in the trunk. Receipt for the Dunes. Now I get it.

"And the receipt was dated for the Sunday that it was supposed to be in that garage. That must have been some road test."

You didn't find a bikini top, did you?

"No, but since then I have talked to people at my church, and they have had similar experiences with that garage. I guess they think old folks won't notice or raise a stink. So I would like you to warn others that this could happen to them."

By all means. But we have to let the garage people give their side of it.

And as the service manager said: "We specialize in electronic faults. We fix problems that no one else can diagnose.

"This car had intermittent die-outs. Its problems mean loss of fuel, loss of spark, loss of injector or computer communication."

Yes, that's the way I see it.

"It takes awhile to diagnose this kind of problem. My records show that it had a bad electronic module and pickup coil inside the distributor."

Boy, those electronic modules will do it to you every time. That's why I still prefer a good horse.

"Die-outs," he continued, "occur after three to four hours of run time or a hot resoaking. That's when the engine is warmed and it sits for an hour or two, then it won't start again.

"We stand by our work. And it was not 276 miles. Our records show that it was driven only 178 miles."

Well, 276 or 178, it took a courageous mechanic to drive that far while facing the threat of a "die-out" at any moment.

So as Mrs. Whitters requested — we are warning all senior citizens, and junior citizens as well, to check your mileage.

And look in the trunk, too. If you find sand, give me a call.

But a body really would be better.

Mike Royko's column is distributed by Tribune Media Services, INC.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Nov. 2, the 306th day of 1995. There are 59 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Nov. 2, 1783, Gen. George Washington issued his "Farewell Address to the Army" near Princeton, N.J.

On this date:

In 1795, the 11th president of the United States, James Knox Polk, was born in Mecklenburg County, N.C.

In 1865, the 29th president of the United States, Warren Gamaliel Harding, was born near Corsica, Ohio.

In 1889, North Dakota and South Dakota became the 39th and 40th states.

In 1917, British Foreign Secretary Arthur Balfour expressed support for a "national home" for the Jews of Palestine in what came to be known as the Balfour Declaration.

In 1920, 75 years ago, radio station KDKA in Pittsburgh broadcast returns from the Harding-Cox presidential election.

In 1930, Haile Selassie was crowned emperor of Ethiopia.

In 1947, Howard Hughes piloted his huge wooden airplane, known as the Spruce Goose, on its only flight, which lasted about a minute over Long Beach Harbor, Calif.

In 1948, President Truman surprised the experts by being re-elected in a narrow upset over Republican challenger Thomas E. Dewey.

In 1959, game show contestant Charles Van Doren admitted to a House subcommittee that he had been given questions and answers in advance when he appeared on the NBC-TV program "Twenty-One."

In 1963, South Vietnamese President Ngo Dihn Diem was assassinated in a military coup.

In 1984, Velma Barfield, convicted of the poisoning death of her boyfriend, was put to death by injection in Raleigh, N.C., becoming the first woman executed in the United States since 1962.

ART BUCHWALD

France becomes nation of wine, women, bazookas

I have just returned from Paris, and the big news from Europe is that France has become the leading arms merchant in the world — surpassing even the United States. The question on everyone's lips is, how did the French pull it off?



Buchwald

I asked my friend Alain Bernheim, who, when it comes to anything French, is as defensive as Brigitte Bardot.

"We did it," he explained, "by combining all the luxury items France exports with the arms and ammunition. We have become the guns and butter capital of the world. For example, we sprinkled Chanel No. 5 on all the missiles that we sold to China. It was the fragrance on the tip of the weapons that made them the sweetest-smelling explosives in the world. The Chinese army fell in love when they inhaled the missiles."

"That's good marketing," I told Alain. "What else sold the French armaments?"

"As you know, truffles are now more expensive than submarines — we offered to throw in a pound of truffles with each Agosta Class Submarine. The Saudi Arabians were desperate for truffles, and they ordered 10 submarines plus six tons of foie gras to serve underwater to the crews. The Americans were furious when they heard about it. They plan to complain to the World Trade Commission. They are claiming that truffles were forbidden from inclusion in arms sales."

I asked, "Did you throw in any Christian Dior clothes as an inducement to sell the French Mirage jets?"

"As a matter of fact, we did. We informed the Iranian government that if they bought our planes we would dress every army officer's wife for free. When the wives heard this, the military had no choice but to buy from us."

"To further sweeten the deal we threw in a one-year warranty on the evening gowns with a six-month guarantee on the planes."

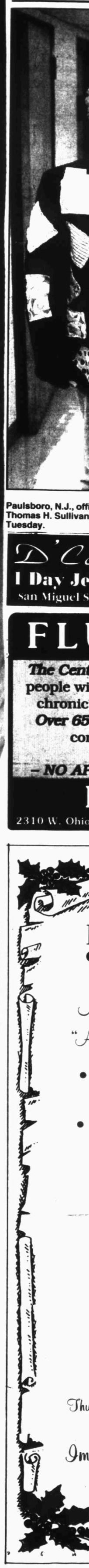
"No wonder France beat out the United States. Besides guns, France has so much more to offer than we do."

"The countries we sell to have developed a strong appetite for our equipment. The other day Ghana wanted two frigates. The United States and Britain sent in bids, but we offered a case of Mouton Rothschild 1949 and we got the contract."

"It's hard to imagine that France, which is considered so civilized, is now the leading exporter of arms," I said sadly.

Alain said, "We were once a country of wine, women and song. Now we are a country of wine, women, song and bazookas. Vive la difference!"

Art Buchwald's column is distributed by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.



Dressed to arrest

Trick or treat? Officer in clown suit makes dozen arrests

PAULSBORO, N.J. (AP) — A police officer who went trick-or-treating as a clown on Halloween bagged a dozen fugitives.

"They can't believe it," Lt. Tom Sullivan said. "They've been had."

Most of those arrested — who faced mostly routine traffic charges — responded good-naturedly. One was peevish: "Man, you got me under false pretenses," Police Chief Kenneth Ridinger said.

Some at the police station were a bit more upset.

"I think it sucks," said Cindy Hughes, handcuffed and arrested for an outstanding traffic ticket after the clown at the door asked for her.

The costumed visitor Hughes thought was a friend was actually Officer Craig Kraemer. Wearing a bulletproof vest under his costume, Kraemer called out "Trick or treat!" at each house and asked for the person named in the warrant.

"You get an opportunity to go in unsuspected. We don't get the standard police answers. You don't get a 'He's not home"
— Kenneth Ridinger
police chief

The tactic made a dent in a stack of 400 outstanding arrest warrants, including one person facing a firearms charge and another accused of smashing a car's windows while a child was inside.

"You get an opportunity to go in unsuspected," Ridinger said. "We don't get the standard police answers. You don't get a 'He's not home.'"

Though most fell for the ruse, a teen-ager recognized Kraemer at one house.

"He got stopped at the door," Ridinger said. "We lost the element of surprise there."

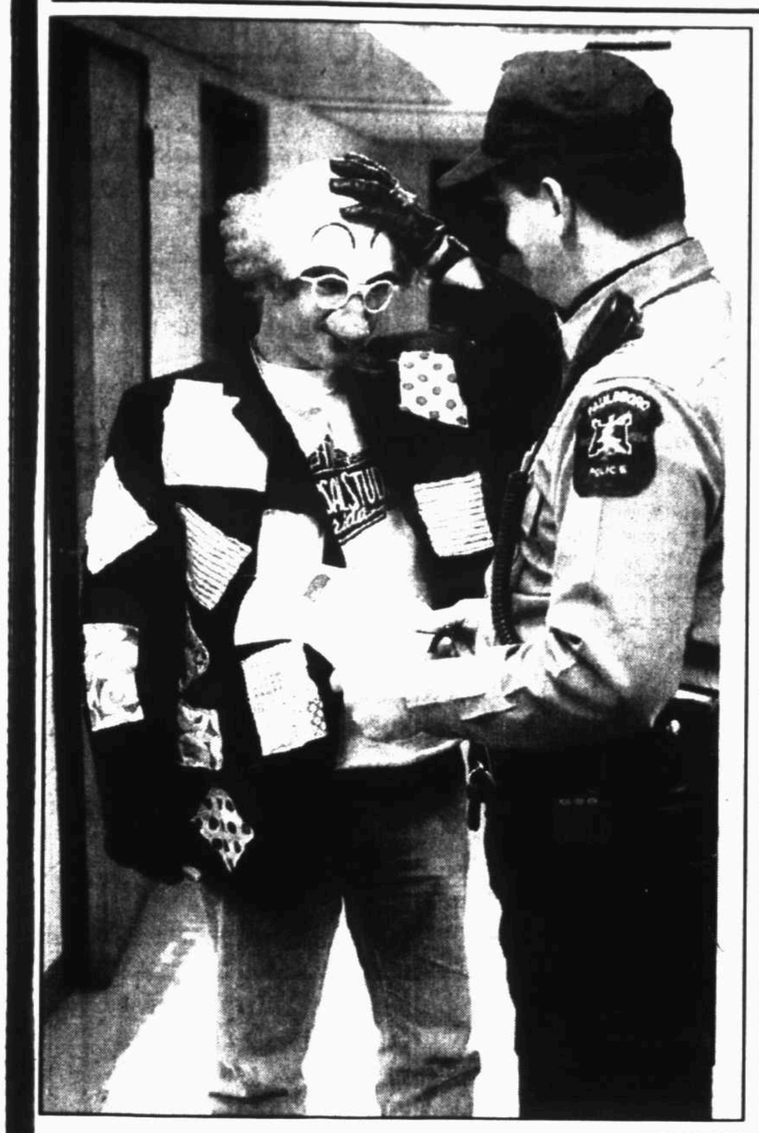
Police were not looking for that teen, and no one was arrested.

One mother said she was not angry, just upset that her children witnessed her arrest — could they ever trust a clown or a cop again?

Patrolman Fred Suter came up with the idea two years ago, and went out as Batman. He made about four arrests that time.

Ridinger has no plans to send his officers out every year. He wants to keep the element of surprise — and the good will of the town's youngsters.

"If we do it every year, everybody will start shutting their doors and the poor kids can't get their candy," the chief said. "We don't want to infringe on that."



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Paulsboro, N.J., officer Craig Kraemer, dressed as a clown, talks with Lt. Thomas H. Sullivan after returning from issuing warrants on Halloween, Tuesday.

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Survey: One-third of blacks believe AIDS was manufactured to kill them

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A survey of about 1,000 black church members in five cities found that more than one-third of them believed the AIDS virus was produced in a germ warfare laboratory and has been used to commit genocide against blacks.

Another third said they were "unsure" whether AIDS was created to kill blacks. That left only one-third who disputed the theory.

The findings held firm even among educated individuals, said one of the authors of the 1990 survey, Sandra Crouse Quinn, a health educator at the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill.

Rumors that AIDS was created to kill blacks have circulated in the black community for years, and the belief is endorsed by some black leaders.

The surveyed group was not necessarily a representative sample of America's black population, and the findings cannot be applied to blacks as a whole. But the researchers were surprised by the prevalence of such beliefs.

"They don't trust our public health data," said Quinn, who is white. She reported her findings at a meeting this week of the American Public Health Association.

The belief that AIDS is a form of genocide has serious health consequences, Quinn said: "If they believe AIDS is a form of genocide they are less likely to get tested, less likely to use condoms and less likely to participate in clinical trials."

Although she has not surveyed whites on the genocide question, Quinn said, "I think most whites would say this sounds bizarre."

The wide disparity in world view between blacks and whites recalls the racial chasm in the reaction to the O.J. Simpson verdict, she said.

Charles Hamilton, a political scientist at Columbia University, agreed.

"You have to put those attitudes in the context of general disaffection about the effectiveness of the system to deal with problems," said Hamilton, who is black.

"We still see this in response to why drugs are so prevalent in the black community: 'It's a conspiracy. If it weren't that, police departments would crack down on it.'"

The Rev. Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, cited the Tuskegee experiment as grounds for cynicism about government health programs. From 1932 to 1972, the U.S. government withheld treatment from 399 poor black men with syphilis in order to study the consequences.

"It's been documented that the government did use African-Americans as guinea pigs in this experiment," Lowery said.

However, Quinn's study is based on survey questions that were asked five years ago, and Lowery said he believes AIDS education among blacks since then has probably reduced the percentage of those who believe AIDS is a government conspiracy.

"It might have been true in the 1980s, but there's been too much education about AIDS now for African-Americans to believe that," he said. "They know about dirty needles. They know about unprotected sex."

In 1992, Dr. Abdul Alim Muhammad, the chief doctor of Louis Farrakhan's Nation of Islam, told a Nation convention that President Bush "played a leading role in developing a policy of genocide against non-white people all over this earth, and we believe that the AIDS virus is a direct consequence of that plotting and planning in secret."

Quinn and her colleague Stephen B. Thomas of Emory University in Atlanta have previously found the conspiracy belief to be widespread among blacks in Washington housing projects and clinics and among black college students.

"In all of these samples, somewhere around 30 to 35 percent are agreeing that AIDS is a form of genocide and 30 percent are unsure," Quinn said Tuesday in an interview.

Quinn and Thomas gave a questionnaire to 1,054 church members in black churches in Atlanta, Charlotte, N.C., Detroit, Kansas City, Mo., and Tuscaloosa, Ala. They received slightly under 1,000 valid responses for each question.

Asked to react to the statement "I believe there is some truth in reports that the AIDS virus was produced in a germ warfare laboratory," 33.9 percent of 983 agreed or strongly agreed. Forty-four percent were unsure.

Thirty-five percent of 979 agreed or strongly agreed with the statement "I believe AIDS is a form of genocide against black people." Thirty percent were unsure.

Dole's PAC team was busy in key states before race

WASHINGTON (AP) — Before beginning his presidential bid this year, Republican front-runner Bob Dole had a spring training of sorts that didn't cost his campaign a penny.

The money for strategists, travel and even a mailing list came from a political action committee Dole founded years ago to help elect Republicans to state and local offices.

Federal election law bars PACs like Dole's from giving more than $5,000 in money or services to a candidate during an election cycle. But sometimes what benefits local Republicans can end up being helpful to a presidential hopeful as well.

Records reviewed by The Associated Press show that in 1994 alone, Dole's Campaign America PAC spent more than $168,000 to place workers and finance activities in Iowa, Texas, California and Pennsylvania, important states in next year's presidential primary season.

The figure covers everything from salaries and travel expenses of strategists to the purchase of a membership list from the Iowa Republican party. Eight Campaign America strategists have since shifted to Dole's presidential campaign, including fund-raiser Jo-Anne Coe, finance expert Royal Roth and national field director Scott Matter.

Earlier this year, the AP found that another of Dole's organizations, his tax-exempt Better America foundation, was spending money on items useful for a presidential bid — including a poll, issues papers and a TV ad that prominently featured Dole. Dole subsequently closed down the foundation.

Campaign America, a so-called "leadership PAC" to benefit GOP candidates, itself once ran afoul of campaign finance laws by trying to assist an earlier Dole presidential bid. The Federal Election Commission fined the PAC $12,000 in 1993 to settle charges Dole's PAC had improperly assisted his 1988 campaign by about $42,000.

Critics wonder whether Dole is crossing the line again.

"The question is, what were these people doing out there in the field," said Ellen Miller, director of the nonpartisan Center For Responsive Politics, which studies campaign finance issues in Washington.

Smokers shouldn't lets extra pounds deter their quitting

BOSTON (AP) — During the 1980s, a lot of Americans stopped smoking, and a lot of Americans put on weight. That's not entirely a coincidence.

A study found that the weight gain that is almost inevitable when people give up cigarettes partly explains the increase in obesity among Americans during the '80s.

Nevertheless, the researchers argue that smokers should not let the prospect of a few extra pounds stop them from quitting. As undesirable as gaining weight may be, continuing to smoke is much worse.

"From a health point of view, you will be better off to give up smoking in any case, because smoking is very detrimental to your health," said Katherine M. Flegal of the National Center for Health Statistics, principal author of the report.

Her work was based on a nationwide survey of 5,247 adults over age 35. It was published in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

The survey showed that during the 1980s, obesity increased 10 percent among men and 8 percent among women.

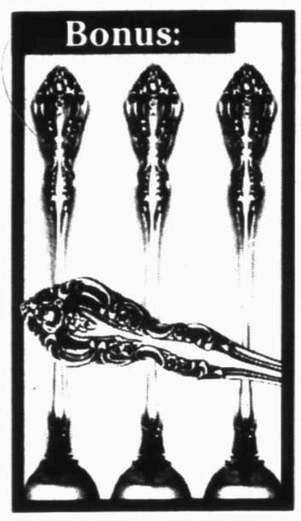
"We were interested in what causes this," Flegal said. "During that same time, smoking declined. Is smoking cessation one of the reasons for this increase?"

The answer, it turned out, is yes. Kicking the habit accounted for one-quarter of the decade's weight gain among American men and one-sixth among women.

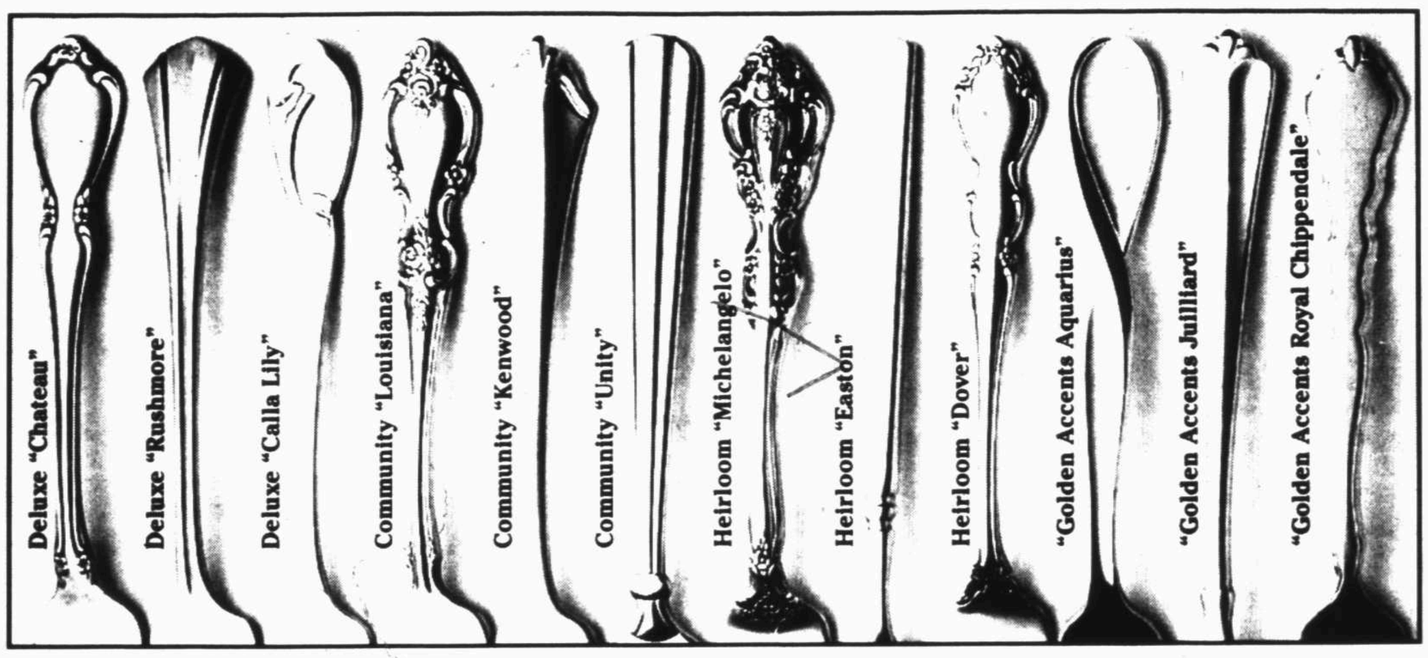
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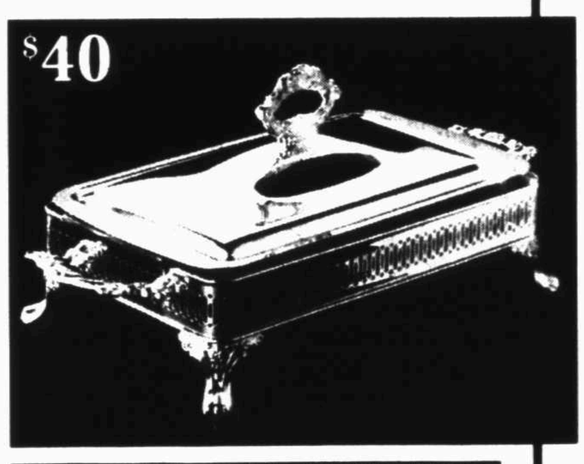
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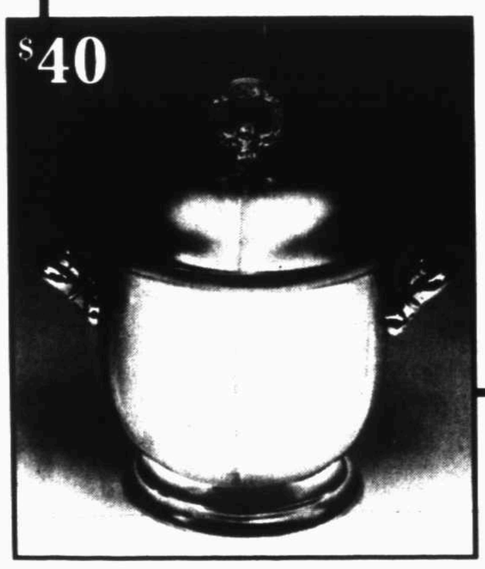
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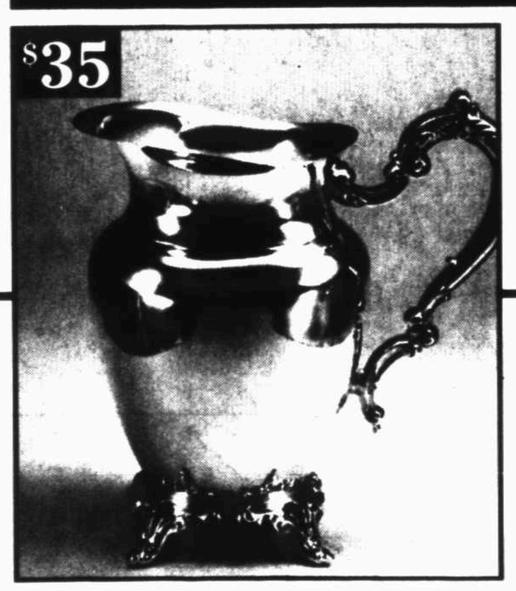


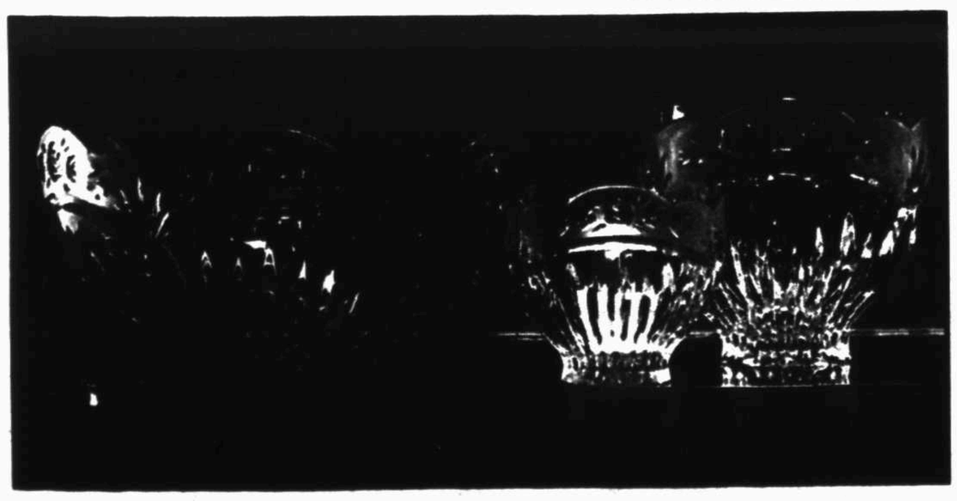


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DAY WATCH

Youth rally set

The Midland/Odessa Deanery of the San Angelo Diocese is hosting a Youth rally at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Odessa, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday. The theme for the rally is "Take Courage, Find the Lion Within." The keynote speaker for the day is Paul Flores, the youth director from the Diocese of Lubbock. Activities include music, workshops, a liturgy with Bishop Michael Pfeifer, OMI, from San Angelo, followed by a dance. Students from seventh through 12th grades are invited to attend. Contact Mrs. Rebecca McIlwain at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 4251 Candy Lane, 1-915-367-4657, for registration information and fees.

TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 560-2400, Category 7100.

Survivors Group for Sexual Abuse, Rape, Incest Victims, 6 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 South FM 1788, 563-1200.

Flatlanders Toastmasters Club, Chevron Building, 15 Smith Road, 11:30 a.m., 687-7286.

LOOPS, 7 p.m., First Baptist Church, 550-LOOP.

Hearts Alive, 7 p.m., medical staff room at Memorial Hospital, 6843745.

Project ADAM, (Alternatives to Domestic Assault for Men) - Support group, 6: 30-9: 00 p.m., 689-8428 or 520-0277.

Toastmasters, Permian Club, noon, Permian Basin Graduate Center, 688-0715 or 694-6397.

Novice duplicate bridge, Allison Bridge Center, 7 p.m., 682-4461.

East Side Lions, 8 p.m., Los Enriquez, 1401B N. Lamesa Road.

Optimist Club of Midland, noon, Cactus Kitchen.

Bereavement Support group, 7 p.m., Hospice of Odessa, Texas Commerce Bank, fourth floor, 332-1431, 332-0991.

Pilot Club of Midland, noon, Ramada Inn, 687-3100.

Hogan Park Women's Golf Association, Hogan Park Golf Course.

Westside Lions Club, noon, West-side Lions Den.

Rotary Club of Midland, 11:55 a.m., Chamber of Commerce, 109 N. Main.

TOPS 1139, 6:30 p.m., 1007 Austin St., 694-7273 or 694-8643.

Committee for Meals on Wheels, 9 a.m., Midland Senior Center.

Share Success-Basics of Goal Setting, Mr. Gatti's (party room 1), 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave., noon, 570-4533.

Tall City Lions Club, 7 p.m., 305 S. Stonewall St.

Non-smoking game, 7 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 682-8596.

Social Order of the Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Midland Council for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children, 1 p.m., 3919 Roosevelt Dr., 694-1327.

West Texas Aerobatic Club, Chapter 71, 7:30 p.m., Memphis Aero Lounge, 694-9877, 684-8015.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., for location and other information, 5202282.

Golden Park Retirement Center, senior citizen Bingo, 3 p.m., 3100 W. Kansas Ave.

Flatlanders Ski Club, 7 p.m., Best Western, Midland Airport, open.

Midland Apple Users group, 7:30 p.m., 683-6289 or 683-3516, open.

Tall City RoadRiders 7:30 p.m. Warfield Truck Stop, 689-0950.

Parents Anonymous, Weekly self-help meetings and parent education to prevent abuse and improve family relationships, 520-2282.

Post traumatic stress disorder support group for women, 6 p.m., Community National Bank, 601 E. Florida Ave., 570-0412.

Suburban Lions Club, 7 p.m., 2550 Flint Ave.

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Property-rights lawyer speaks to Midland group

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

While the vast majority of the American people do want to protect the environment, they have become disenchanted with the way the laws are applied, said William Perry Pendley, president and chief legal officer of the Mountain States Legal Foundation (MSLF) of Denver, Colo.

"Does the Endangered Species Act mean that somebody who is threatened to be killed by a grizzly bear can't defend himself or herself?" Pendley said Wednesday in Midland.

And does the law prohibit a landowner from clearing brush from his property in order to protect his home from a potential wildfire even when clearing the vegetation would harm an endangered species, such as a rodent?

Pendley spoke at the Midland Petroleum Club to a group of Midland businessmen and civic and political leaders on encroaching government and the MSLF's court battles to preserve freedoms and private-property rights.

'Does the Endangered Species Act mean that somebody who is threatened to be killed by a grizzly bear can't defend himself or herself?'

— William Perry Pendley, president and chief legal counsel, Mountain States Legal Foundation

"Your right to wildly swing your arms stops at your neighbor's nose," Pendley said of the old common-law axiom.

"Environmentalists say, 'If we didn't have these (environmental) laws, people would have their property destroyed by their neighbor. That's not true," Pendley said, "because the common law has always said if a person uses his or her land in such a way that it hurts a neighbor, the neighbor can sue to recover from the loss."

Barry Williamson, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission and a former Midlander, also spoke at the gathering. He is a strong advocate of bringing environmental regulations home and allowing "Texans to enforce them, because if you find a county commissioner making a decision, his neighbors and friends are going to tell him if he did right or not.

"As a railroad commissioner, I make decisions," Williamson said. "I am just a phone call away from my friends in Midland and Dallas and everywhere else. And they will call me and tell me (their opinions about those decisions). I think we are the best in Texas to make regulations to protect (the environment) — ground, water and air. That makes sense. Federal government is once removed or twice or three

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William Perry Pendley, president and chief legal officer of the Mountain States Legal Foundation, discussed property rights at a gathering of Midlanders.



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Under pressure

Jesse Saunders of the city of Midland uses a "weight press" to secure an adhesive traffic arrow along N. Garfield Street. The adhesive arrow is used in place of painting.

Mauro endorses veterans-issues Proposition 5, 14

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Two propositions on the Nov. 7 ballot — one to continue funding a veterans home loan program, the other to increase property tax exemptions for disabled veterans — were endorsed by Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro at a news conference in Midland Wednesday afternoon.

Mauro urged voters to pass Proposition 5, the proposed constitutional amendment that authorizes the Veterans Land Board to issue $500 million in tax exempt, general obligation bonds to continue funding the Texas Veterans Home Loan Program.

Mauro cited the success of the program as well as the benefit to veterans and the economy in his arguments for the proposition's approval.

"We want to make sure ignorance doesn't beat this program," he said.

The program provides low-interest home loans to veterans who otherwise might not be eligible for a home loan, he said. In turn, the state would benefit because it is estimated for every dollar loaned, six dollars are stimulated within the economy, he said.

The proposition has received the support of more than 1,000 local officials including the Midland County Commissioners' Court, Mauro said.

Several members of the American Legion, Midland Board of Realtors President Brian Cooper and Odessa City Council member Javier Joven accompanied Mauro in support of the proposition.



Joe D. Williams/Reporter-Telegram

Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro speaks at a press conference at Midland International Airport in support of two propositions.

"I can't find anyone finding anything about the proposition they don't like. It's a win-win situation," said Harvey Holcomb, a member of the American Legion.

During the 47 years of the program's existence, more than $2.4 billion has been loaned to almost 150,000 Texas veterans. And the Veterans Land Board has made more than $13.3 million in low-interest loans to veterans in Midland and Ector counties.

Responding to criticism that the program isn't needed and could create additional state debt, Mauro said Texans have strongly supported veteran benefits since men fought for Texas independence and the default rate on loans is less than 1 percent and doesn't threaten tax dollars.

In addition to pushing for the voters to

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Ex-FBI negotiator blames ATF, rescue team for Waco disaster

WASHINGTON (AP) — Blaming another law enforcement agency for the debacle, a former FBI negotiator tells senators the FBI stepped into a situation that was "almost beyond repair" in the 1993 Waco siege.

"The American people have the right to expect better," said Clint Van Zandt, who was on the FBI team that negotiated with members of the Branch Davidian cult during the 51-day standoff.

For its part, the FBI acknowledged it made mistakes in the siege and explained the changes it has made since then as the Senate Judiciary Committee completed two days of Waco hearings.

FBI Director Louis J. Freeh, meanwhile, assured a House subcommittee chairman that the bureau would never again use tactics that lack a "legitimate basis."

Both the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms have been assailed in recent weeks for their conduct in the Waco incident and the 1992 deadly standoff against white separatist Randy Weaver at Ruby Ridge, Idaho. The latest Senate inquiry followed 10 days of politically charged hearings on Waco in the House over the summer and a recently concluded investigation of Ruby Ridge by a Senate Judiciary subcommittee.

"Tactics that have no legitimate basis as either part of a sound negotiation strategy or part of a well-planned tactical solution are not going to be part of this FBI," Freeh wrote Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., chairman of the House Judiciary subcommittee on crime.

Cult leader David Koresh and

'The American people have the right to expect better.'

— Clint Van Zandt, who was on the FBI team that negotiated with Branch Davidian members

80 followers died as their compound burned on April 19, 1993, after FBI agents used a tank to punch holes in the building and insert tear gas.

The standoff had begun Feb. 28 after four ATF agents were killed and more than a dozen others wounded when they tried to serve a search warrant as part of a firearms investigation. Six Branch Davidians also died in the shootout.

The ATF agents "should never have been ordered into such a confrontation," said Van Zandt, who retired from the FBI in the

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Family urges residents to keep eyes open for displaced snakes

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

After finding a large rattlesnake in their driveway, a Midland family is asking people living near Loop 250 construction areas to beware of displaced vipers.

Mary Ann Benner, who lives near the intersection of Whittle Way and Preston Drive, recently was alerted to the presence of a large rattlesnake in her driveway by a young neighbor.

"The neighbor girl came within 2 feet of it," Ms. Benner said. The snake rattled and the girl moved immediately to safety. The Benners then dispatched the reptile, which measured more than 3 feet and had eight rattles.

The Benners believe the snake moved into the residential neighborhood after ongoing overpass construction displaced it from its burrow. "In the 13 years we've lived here, we've never had one in our yard," Ms. Benner said.

Ms. Benner's concern is for Bush Elementary School children who walk through the neighborhood. The neighborhood includes a few vacant lots that are infrequently mowed and could make alternate homes for rattlesnakes escaping the construction.

Don Allen, a biology instructor at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, said that construction work on wild lands is certainly a possible explanation for the big snake's move into a residential area.

"They tend not to be right in town," Allen said of normal rattlesnake behavior. Although

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ED TODD

Bricks become building blocks of communities across nation

Bricks.

Kiln-fired clay bricks.

Ah, they are the foundation of many a town square and are a part of the history of the making of America just as surely as brick-making is steeped into the history of Thurber, the old Erath County coal-mining town back yonder.

By their very being, bricks set in patterns to form streets, walkways, and even buildings and houses give enduring testimony to the building blocks of all creation.

Scooped from the bowels of the Earth, clay is molded and fired by bricks' breath of life and then takes on life with purpose and desirous of function and appreciation.

Is not a forlorn brick, exiled without plan and no part of structure, to be pitied similarly to any of nature's building blocks or beings that are denied their grand purpose?



Todd

It is sad to behold a stack of bricks slump over the years through neglect. One brick and another and more bricks begin to separate from the fold. Slowly, the bricks are absorbed by the land, now a grave, from whence they had sprung.

In Lamesa or Seminole, Cooper or Paris, it is for this fellow a spiritual experience to walk on and to drive on brick-lined streets — consoling and reliable and always there.

Without trying to do so, I naturally become conscious of the workmanship in planting, one by one, each brick that so well serves its purpose within masses of its kind.

There is beauty in the scheme of bricks, beauty in their harmony, beauty in their utilitarian pattern, beauty in their polished wear — and appreciative care in traveling over their humble planes and mounds.

They are grand in their most active yet passive role. In the main, they persevere by virtue of firm foundations. Yet, should but one fall astray, the structure — roadway, walkway or building small or vast — suffers in strength or aesthetics. The whole being begs and pleas for care, attention, correction, maintenance — love, platonic and enduring, love.

The roadway brick, and much more the cobblestone, reminds the privileged traveler on foot of every step and careful not to slip, especially should the brick or stone be caressed by rain, gentle or forceful.

In its life, the structure of bricks is a static yet living and poetic testimony, cell by cell, to creation and form and to purpose in all things.

Ed Todd is a writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

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DEATHS

Stella Dulin

Services for Stella Mae Dulin, 87, of Colorado City will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Glenn Roenfeldt officiating and Ted Spear assisting. Burial will be at Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

She died Wednesday at a Colorado City hospital.

She was born Jan. 14, 1908, in Durant, Okla. She married Bedford Dulin in 1932 in Sweetwater. She had lived in Colorado City since 1968 and was a homemaker and member of the First Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1977.

She is survived by a daughter, Patricia Perkinson of Houston; two sons, Donald Dulin and Leon Dulin, both of Midland; two sisters, Mary Hart of Colorado City and Willie Nell Gary of Odessa; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Cobb

Services for Dorothy Aleen Cobb, 89, of Plainview will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Garland Street Church of Christ with Karl King officiating. Burial will be at Plainview Memorial Park under the direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home.

She died Wednesday at a Lubbock hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was born March 6, 1906, in Wheeler, Okla.

She married J.D. Cobb in 1928 in Jackson, Tenn., and moved to Pampa where she taught school. She moved to Halfway in 1938 and to Plainview in 1947. She was a member of the Garland Street Church of Christ and the China Club.

She was preceded in death by a son, Robert Cobb; a daughter, Peggy Maureen Johnston; and three sisters, Zillah Woods, Artie May Robinson and Geneva Malone.

She is survived by her husband; a son, James D. Cobb of Midland; eight grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Robert Alexander

Services for Robert A. Alexander, 75, of Bulverde, formerly of Waco, will be at 1 p.m. today at Wilkerson-Hatch Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery with full military honors.

He died Saturday in San Antonio.

He was born Sept. 11, 1920, in Waco where he was raised and graduated from Waco High School in 1938. He attended Baylor University and was a veteran of World War II. He retired from the Army in 1966 as a Lieutenant Colonel after 23 years of service.

He married Willene Graves Lutonsky in 1948. She preceded him in death in 1992.

He is survived by a daughter, Robin Alexander of Seguin; a son, Robert Alexander Jr. of Lynden, Wash.; two step-sons, Anthony Lutonsky and Paul Lutonsky, both of Albuquerque, N.M.; a sister, Florence Clark of Midland; and one grandson.

Patricia Cook

Services for Patricia Losolla Cook will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Father Alvin Wilde of San Juan Catholic Church officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. A rosary service will be at 7 p.m. today at Ellis Chapel.

She died Tuesday at a local hospital.

She was born Aug. 25, 1960, to Tiodoro and Balentina Sandate Losolla in Midland. She was raised in Hereford and moved to Midland in 1989.

She married Marrion Cook in 1993.

She is survived by her husband, Marion Cook of Midland; two daughters, Cindy Losolla Flores and Brenda Flores of Andrews; her mother, Balentina Sandate of Midland; her step-father, Florentino Zubia of Midland; three brothers, Tiodoro Losolla Jr. and Felix Losolla, both of Midland and Vicente Losolla of Odessa; four sisters, Linda Bejarano, Lydia Galindo, Ceceilla Padilla and Concho Gonzalez, all of Midland; and many nieces and nephews.

A.C. Olgin

Services for A.C. Olgin, 63, are pending with Bill C. Thomas Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday after a brief illness.

LAWYER: Williamson also speaks at gathering

(From 1B)

times removed, and it's hard to make regulations from Washington, D.C., that affect Midland, Texas."

Of the federal Endangered Species Act, Williams said that body of laws "was written as a general law, and it has been interpreted by the federal regulators in a manner far beyond what the Congress intended. It has reached out and hurt people individually and their right to exercise their private property without compensating for that.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations were "intended to protect the environment and find that balance (between individual property rights and protection of the environment). We need some reasonableness in carrying out regulations."

And, Williamson said, "Legislators are the world's worst, sometimes, in writing laws that are vague and not really saying what they really mean. And we have to interpret them. I think the legislation in Congress is sometimes conveniently vague. They don't want to make either side mad, so they just kind of ride along and let other people interpret it."

Williamson said that's bad. In its acts, the Congress must "be direct and specific. If the Congress tells me exactly what they want and exactly what they need, then everybody is happy. It's when they are vague and don't make these tough decisions is when all of this discretion comes in. And people write their own regulations, and they go too far one way or the other. We need Congress to be direct and specific and tell us exactly what they want us to do, and you'll find 99 percent of the people will follow. If they don't like it, they will just try to change the law."

Pendley's 1977-founded Mountain States Legal Foundation, which evolved from the Sagebrush Rebellion in the American West, is designed to "fight for freedom" by opposing "activist judges" who write law rather than interpret law, by ensuring the multiple use of public land, by opposing "unlawful government" taking private property and by advocating the "essential relationship between economic freedom and individual liberty."

"The environmentalists tell us that they want a better planet — they want a better quality of life for us," Pendley said.

Yet, Pendley, 50, said that "one of the results of their policy is burning our forests, putting people at risk, risking towns. And people say, 'Well, ... I don't like that policy.' Every time the American people see the results of these so-called environmental policies, they don't like them.

"And I think the big game being played by the environmental organizations nowadays is to obscure from the American people the true results of their policies," Pendley said.

And "one of the fundamental assumptions is 'the world is going to hell in a handbasket, and if we don't intervene right now with some really dramatic, draconian measures, we all will be doomed,' " Pendley said. "Global-warming is a good example.

"Those are the kind of things environmentalists talk about, but they are not true," he said. "It (the Earth) is resilient. That doesn't mean we can do anything we want."

While Pendley and the MSLF campaign for freedom, he said the environmentalists are seeking power and control through "one-stop shopping" through the U.S. Congress instead of allowing environmental problems to be resolved on the home front.

WACO: Former negotiator testifies before senators

(From 1B)

last year. The FBI, which took over after the ATF raid, entered a situation that was "almost beyond repair," he asserted.

Van Zandt said the FBI's hostage rescue team, which used intimidating tactics such as blasting music and loud noise over loudspeakers and cutting off electricity to the compound, frustrated the negotiators working to gain the Davidians' trust. One tape used was the wrenching sound of rabbits being slaughtered.

In his letter to McCollum, Freeh cited the playing of chants or other types of tapes over loudspeakers as examples of practices the FBI was dropping.

"We lost any chance of trust we had because of the tactical options that were being executed throughout this time," Van Zandt said.

Van Zandt's view got support from William Esposito, assistant director of the FBI's criminal investigation division, who told the senators, "There certainly was a disconnect between the negotiations and the tactical people."

Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, concurred, saying: "The hostage rescue team worked at cross-purposes with the negotiating team."

Since the failed siege, Esposito said, the FBI has revamped and expanded its crisis management teams, and is working to have tactical people and negotiators "blend together" to cooperate in a crisis. "We're going to keep making changes to ... continue to improve as we go along," he added.

But there were other problems in Waco, including Koresh himself, according to former follower Graeme Craddock.

Craddock testified that he believed the standoff "could have ended in a peaceful manner," but he called Koresh "a trickster."

"We genuinely were deceived ourselves," said Craddock, who is serving 20 years in federal prison for his role in the ATF raid.

FBI officials testified during the summer that agents initially trusted Koresh and made concessions to him, but they became increasingly wary as he failed to keep his promises.

Outside the hearing, Justice Department spokesman Bert Brandenburg said the negotiators, including Van Zandt, did not object to the final proposal to use tear gas against the Davidians. He also disputed that the negotiators and hostage rescue team were disconnected, saying the FBI agent in charge at Waco, Jeffrey Jamar, was "constantly integrating the advice" of both sides.

Study contradicts belief that low cholesterol causes diseases

DALLAS (AP) — For years, medical experts touting low-cholesterol diets have had a problem.

While they preached that lowering cholesterol levels could reduce the risk of heart disease, it appeared that low total levels contributed to other diseases.

But a study released Wednesday suggests that low cholesterol totals are more likely a consequence, rather than a cause, of non-heart-disease-related deaths or diseases.

"What that suggests is that ... the low cholesterol was the result of a cancer or other disease that hadn't yet been diagnosed but was operating at a sub-clinical level," said James Dwyer, senior author of the study published in Circulation, the Dallas-based American Heart Association's scientific journal.

Dwyer and his colleagues analyzed total cholesterol changes during a six-year period among 5,941 Japanese-American men with no prior history of major diseases. Then they compared those changes to mortality rates during 16 years of follow-up. The study was conducted from 1965 to 1988.

The study says falling total cholesterol levels were accompanied by increasing risk of death from several forms of cancer and other causes such as liver disease. The death rate from all causes, adjusted for risk factors, was 30 percent higher in men whose total cholesterol declined from mid-range to low.

But researchers found "no significant increase" in the risk of death from all causes among men with low-but-stable total cholesterol levels.

The study — done by researchers at the University of Southern California School of Medicine and the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute's Honolulu Heart Program — was limited to men who were born in Oahu, Hawaii, to parents of Japanese descent.

"Japanese-American men are interesting because, in terms of heart disease rates, they're kind of in between the Japanese, who historically have low levels of serum cholesterol, and the rest of the American population," Dwyer said. "They tend to have lower serum cholesterol levels, but as they become more Americanized, their diets change and their rates of heart disease increase."

Dr. Elaine Meilahn of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine said the study provides evidence that "population-based recommendations for cholesterol lowering will not lead to adverse health con4

sequences" and that "guidelines to reduce cholesterol are consistent with public health interests."

Teens collect fee from gawkers of neighbor's fire-damaged home

By Janine Zuniga
Associated Press

PLANO — A teen-ager grew sick of drivers creating a traffic jam in front of a neighbor's fire-damaged home, so she and her pals surrounded passing cars, solicited a "gawking fee" and raised $600 for the burned-out family.

The enterprising 13-year-old and about 10 of her friends collected between 25 cents and $40 from some 150 motorists, netting $610.25 for the Frenkil family, whose home had been gutted by fire Saturday.

"We came up with a little speech and rehearsed it with our sad faces and started asking if they'd like to donate some money," Seychelle Van Poole said Wednesday.

The middle school student said she got the idea after listening to neighbors complaining about the traffic and trying to block the street early Sunday morning.

Gawkers were so bad that police had to be called in to direct traffic, said Judith Frenkil, 44.

"You would have thought there was a celebrity event or the opening of a Planet Hollywood or something," she said.

The family lost everything in the blaze, which did an estimated $220,000 in damage, Mrs. Frenkil said. They have been staying with friends.

"What we now have is these wonderful children who wanted to do something wonderful for us," she said. "No fire can burn that away."

The young philanthropists presented the donations to the Frenkils in private during a neighborhood block party.

"To give up a Sunday afternoon and do this just because they wanted to help, it's like there's hope in the world," Mrs. Frenkil said. "We are very, very grateful."

Miss Van Poole said most of the gawkers were captively courteous.

"There would be four of us at a time," she said. "We'd surround the car and they couldn't get away. Most of them were very nice, but you have those people who blow you off."

On a typical Sunday, Miss Van Poole said that she would normally be finishing homework, doing a little in-line skating or playing basketball.

But the sacrifice was worth it, she said.

"We did it for us," Miss Van Poole said. "I really didn't expect anyone else to find out about it. That was really a surprise."

Leslie Robins, who lives across the street from the Frenkils, praised the effort.

"Kids get such a bad rap anymore, but the kids on this block are exceptional," she said. "It's nice to see them earn some credit."

The family plans to rebuild its insured home.

DISPLACED: Family finds rattlesnake

(From 1B)

this time of year the vipers do like to lie on sun-warmed surfaces, they rarely find themselves deep in the city without being run over.

During this sunning behavior a snake the size of the Benner rattlesnake would easily be spotted in a residential area, Allen said. Because of this, he theorized that the serpent probably did not live in the area of the Benner house.

Bob Winston, assistant principal for Bush Elementary said school officials regularly warn elementary students to watch out for rattlesnakes and other potentially dangerous wildlife.

"We warn them on a regular basis to stay out of the weeds," Winston said. The children are told to stay out of the vacant lots and to walk only on sidewalks or along the curbs when sidewalks are not present.

Children at Bush Elementary are warned at the beginning of the year and periodically throughout the year, he said.

This policy was adopted because of the school's location near the edge of town.

"Having them (rattlesnakes) around is not uncommon in this part of the country," he said.

With ongoing construction along many parts of the loop, Ms. Benner believes more wild creatures will be finding their way into town.

"We probably all need to be just a little more watchful," she said.

MAURO: Official supports passage

(From 1B)

pass Proposition 5, Mauro also spoke on behalf of Proposition 14, the proposed constitutional amendment to raise the limits of exemptions from ad valorem taxation for disabled veterans, surviving spouses or surviving minor children.

Mauro denied that such a measure would mean a substantial loss in tax revenues by local counties as the opposition has claimed. "It is a marginal impact on the tax base," he said.

Satirical poems poke fun at death

By Maria F. Durand
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — In honor of the Day of the Dead celebration, Moises Espino del Castillo picks his victims, maps out his plan and executes his death poems about the most newsworthy people of the year.

His weapon: a 1950s-vintage typewriter on which, for the last 25 years, he has produced his "calaveras," satirical poems about prominent people written as if they were dead.

"It's a way of poking fun at death," said the 77-year-old poet, and former professor. "The Mexican has that nerve. It's a mix of the witty Spanish and the Indian dreamer."

For those reading translations of his works, they might sound a bit morbid.

He writes of a tricky death striking U.S. Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez while giving a speech to a senior citizens group. Or he writes of meaty City Councilman Juan Solis needing two tombs for his burial.

"It's part fun, part truth. It's like throwing harmless stabs at people," del Castillo said.

Locally, del Castillo has written about every mayor in the last 25 years in addition to City Council members, presidents and consuls.

Mayor Bill Thorton, who will be one this year's victims, said he was honored to be on the list, which includes Gov. George W. Bush and President Clinton.

"It's a fun art form," Thornton said. "People are honored even though it's a dark form. It's fun."

Del Castillo said "calaveras," a Mexican tradition dating back to Spanish colonialism, started by poking fun at the Spanish rulers. That was the only way for poor disenfranchised Mexicans to vent their frustrations.

"They didn't have any way to defend themselves, so they had to resort to jokes," del Castillo said. "It was like an escape valve."

Where rigid class lines divide the haves from have-nots, death is the ultimate level playing field.

POLICE REPORTS

Wednesday

Vandalism: Eggs were thrown onto a vehicle at 302 Hickory Ave., it was reported at 6:51 a.m. by Elma Montez.

Burglary of a residence: A burglary at 4405 N. Garfield St. was reported at 2:05 a.m.

Burglary of a residence: A burglary at 503 Solomon Lane was reported at 8:20 a.m. by Phillip Fennigan.

Burglary of a residence: Stereo equipment, televisions and a firearm, all valued at $2,350, were taken from 3203 Park Lane, it was reported at 11:25 a.m. by Wayne Strickland.

Stolen vehicle: A 1993 blue Ford Escort was taken at 401 W. Texas Ave., it was reported at 2:01 p.m. by Paul Holguin.

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

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State comptroller announces food stamps have been phased out

■ Lone Star card, issued to some 1.3 million Texas families, allows benefit recipients to 'charge' grocery purchases.

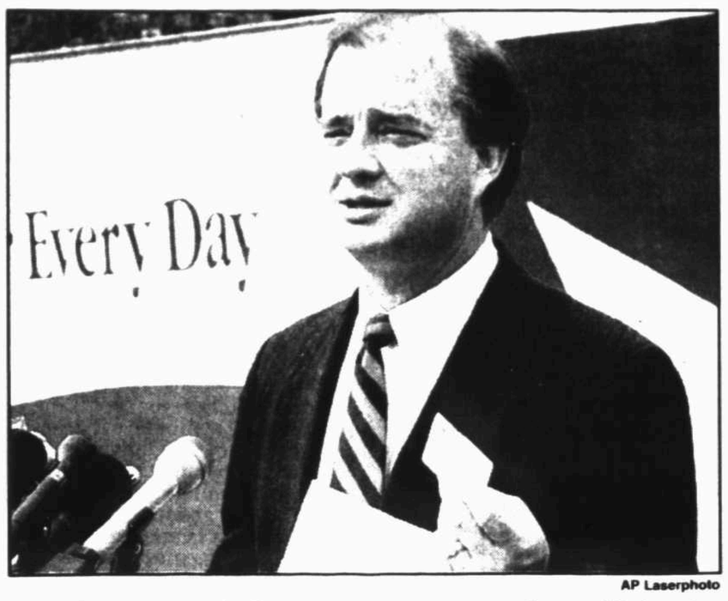
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Food stamps have joined bell bottom jeans and earth shoes as things of the past in Texas.

State Comptroller John Sharp announced Wednesday that the state's new "credit card" system for basic state aid is now available across Texas. The system was phased in over the last 13 months, starting in metro areas like Houston and Dallas, and replaces the paper food stamp system as the primary form of state assistance for food purchases.

"As promised, the Lone Star card is delivering taxpayer savings, increased food sales and an effective new tool against the black-market traffic of public benefits," Sharp said.

The Lone Star card, issued to some 1.3 million Texas families, allows benefit recipients to "charge" their grocery purchases against their state aid accounts. Benefits are electronically credited to the card accounts rather than delivered in paper form to the recipients.



AP Laserphoto

Texas Comptroller John Sharp speaks at a news conference Wednesday in Austin. Sharp announced that food stamps have been phased out.

Some 16,000 Texas retailers accept the new system.

Paper coupons still in circulation in Texas or distributed by other states still can be used in Texas, and Texas residents traveling outside the state can convert their electronic benefits into paper form.

Andy Welch, a spokesman for Sharp, said the conversion process has been insulated from abuse by requiring recipients to meet with their caseworkers in order to change their card benefits into paper coupons.

"You're not going to go in and say you are being transferred to Chicago and then come back the next month," he said.

Sharp said grocery sellers in the Houston and Dallas-Fort Worth areas reported a $10 million increase in sales since the system first started in Houston last October. The system opened in the Dallas area in June.

Official estimates have put increased grocery sales across the state at $1 million a day. Sharp said the increases are a result of less fraud in the electronic system as compared to the paper system.

"This new electronic benefits transfer system is now the largest on earth and has established a track record of boosting food sales and cutting down on fraud," Sharp said at a news conference outside the Capitol.

"Abolishing the old paper food stamp coupons will help the entire state take millions of dollars of taxpayer-funded benefits off the black market, put certain drug dealers and other criminal con-men out of business and raise the truckloads of groceries ultimately bound for homes of needy Texas children."

Sharp stood in front of several food delivery trucks that he said represent the increase in food sales. He also stood in front of some $1 million in used coupons. Those coupons were headed to shredding machines along with other food stamps used in the state.

Texas becomes the largest state to fully use an electronic benefits system. Maryland is the only other state fully using the system, but other states have ongoing test projects.

Public must demand overhaul of Texas taxes, Bush says

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush, who wants to give Texans property tax relief but no income tax, Wednesday said nothing will happen unless there's public demand for change.

"If the people are not interested, if they don't feel like it's a major issue, it won't happen," Bush said.

But the Republican governor said he believes Texans are interested in lowering property taxes, provided they don't wind up paying more through some other levy.

Texans now pay more than $15 billion a year in property taxes, with some $9 billion of that going to schools.

"What I'm doing as the governor is laying out the issue for people to digest," Bush said.

"If property taxes are a significant problem in people's minds, then that will be reflected on the floor of the House. ... The Senate, as well, will have a sense of where the public stands."

Bush and legislative leaders have put together a task force to examine possible tax alternatives. The group includes aides to Bush, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, and Comptroller John Sharp.

'If the people aren't interested, if they don't feel like it's a major issue, it won't happen.'

— Governor George W. Bush

The governor said he favors taxes on consumption rather than income and savings. He emphasized that no decisions have been made on what might be proposed to the 1997 Legislature, except to rule out an income tax.

"A personal income tax is not on the table," Bush said in a speech to the Texas Association of Taxpayers. "I am opposed to it, and believe it is unacceptable to the people of Texas."

Bush said he has several guidelines for reform.

He said there must be "a dollar for dollar swap" so Texans pay no more in total taxes than they pay now.

The change must be straightforward, actually lower property taxes and be credible. "What we cannot do is promise people something we cannot deliver on," he said, adding that most credible of all would be to zero-out school property taxes.

"We are looking at all the problems, all the advantages, all the disadvantages," Bush said.

Among tax ideas that have been mentioned are: an expanded sales tax; a gross receipts tax on business; increasing the corporate franchise tax; and a value added tax, a form of indirect sales tax on products and services at each stage of production or distribution based on the value added at that stage. All those ideas also have vocal critics.

At least two major studies of the state's tax system have been conducted in the past decade, neither producing much change. One reason is the fear many legislators harbor over a personal income tax.

Bush acknowledged the difficulties in tackling tax reform.

"Not everybody will be for this. There are some who pay no tax in the state of Texas, and I would guess that there's a good chance they don't want to pay any.

"This is a process that takes awhile," he said. "To get from Point A to Point B is very treacherous. I understand that."

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Modern-day witches revive form of old religion

By David Uhler
San Antonio Express-News

Many witches practice alone, some out of religious preference for "solitaire" worship, others out of fear of persecution.

SAN ANTONIO — Boniface won't wear a pointy, black hat or ride a broomstick in celebration of Halloween.

But that doesn't mean he won't cast any spells.

Boniface, 39, belongs to a religion called Wicca. It is a reconstruction of the nature worship of ancient Europeans, with strong influences of the beliefs of tribal peoples in other parts of the world. The modern-day faithful call themselves Wiccans.

They are more commonly known as witches.

Boniface, a third-degree priest and leader of the Wolfsong Coven, estimates there are 2,000 witches in Texas and between 200 and 600 in San Antonio.

Exact numbers are impossible to obtain. Many witches practice alone, some out of religious preference for "solitaire" worship, others out of fear of persecution.

"Many people have such a bad idea about Wicca," says Boniface, who, like other witches interviewed for this story, prefers to use his witchcraft name to protect his privacy. "I hate to point in one direction, but I wish people would follow the teachings of Jesus and love and have a little compassion, because they don't."

Wicca, however, suffers from a couple of rather large public relations problems.

First of all, in the minds of many people, witches are devil worshipers. Wiccans, however, say they don't worship the devil; they don't even believe in Satan.

Next problem: Some — but not all — Wiccans prefer to worship "skyclad." That's in the nude.

And then there's the matter of spells.

"I hesitate to use the word 'spells,' " says Mary, a psychic, tarot card reader and publisher of a newsletter on metaphysics in San Antonio. "But that's what they are. We have spells for love, spells for money, spells for anything you want to wish for. But we only use them for good.

"What you call meditation and prayer, we call magic."

Wicca also shares several sacred days with other religious beliefs.

From sunset Tuesday until sunset Wednesday, for example, is called "Sowyn," also known as "Samhain" or "Hallows," one of eight "Sabbats" celebrated by Wiccans throughout the year.

In some Christian religions, Nov. 1 is All Saints' Day and Nov. 2 is All Souls' Day. Many Hispanics know those as Los Dias de Muertos, the Days of the Dead.

Although its roots are in pre-Christian religious traditions, Wicca is a relatively new religion. A number of authors, including Gerald B. Gardner and Margaret Murray, spearheaded the reconstruction of what used to be called "the old religion" in the early part of the 20th century.

The renewal of interest in the religion received its biggest boost after Britain repealed its anti-witchcraft laws in 1951. Gardner publicly declared himself a witch; some of his students and other witches took the religion to other parts of the world, including the United States. Wicca is one of the few non-Christian faiths recognized by the federal government.

Like "the old religion," Wicca is based on worship of nature and its energy in all humans, plants and animals. Many Wiccans are vegetarians. A large number also believe in reincarnation.

The tools of the religion include daggers, called "athames," chalices, wands and crystals. Many items are decorated with five-pointed pentacle stars. These always point straight up; stars pointing down are used by non-Wiccan witches to represent a goat's head, symbolic of Satan.

Women are especially attracted to Wicca because the religion, unlike most others, includes both a god and a goddess. There are many distinct branches, or traditions, of Wicca; most put the goddess on a higher plane than the god. Many covens are exclusively female.

Despite their differences, Wiccans have only one basic rule, which is similar to the Golden Rule followed by many of the world's religions.

Wiccans also believe in "the threefold law": Whatever they do — good or evil — will come back to them three times as strong.

"Wicca is a religion as any other religion," Mary says. "When you boil it all down to the basic principles, they are very similar.

"Every other basic religion has certain concepts — do onto others and don't kill, be honest and truthful, love is the most important concept — that are very basic for us also. We just don't have as many things written out as a lot of other formal religions do."

Wiccans, however, do have sacred writings. Each witch keeps a personal diary, known as the "Book of Shadows." The handmade books contain secret spells, rituals and coven membership rosters, along with poems and other writings the books' owners feel have special significance to them.

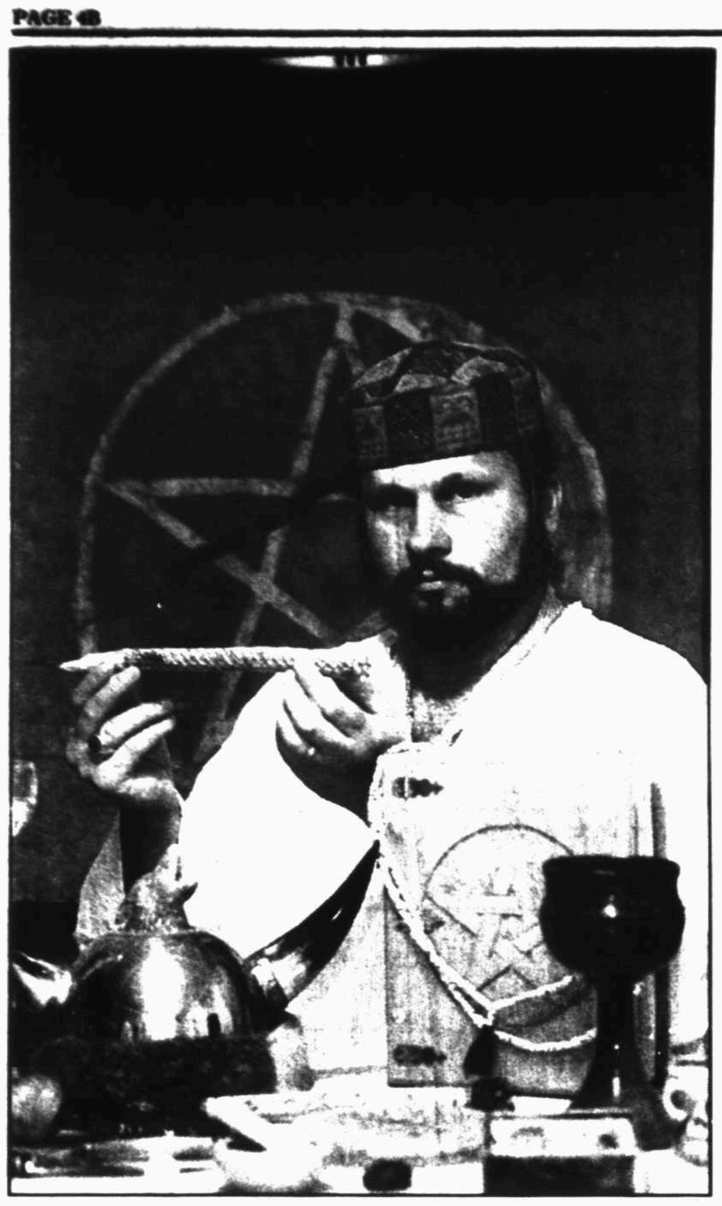
After new "first-degree witches" are initiated, they usually are invited to copy whatever they want from their teacher's personal "Books of Shadows." As a result, the witchcraft they pass on has inevitable variations from witch to witch and coven to coven.

Covens usually have a maximum of 13 witches. When witches reach "third-degree" priestess or priest status, they frequently leave their covens to start new ones.

Bria, 48, has just started a new coven in San Antonio after studying Wicca for more than five years. A former Catholic, she is a clerical worker and mother of a grown son "who thinks I'm crazy."

Bria says doesn't try to hide the fact that she's a Wiccan, but she doesn't advertise it, either.

Boniface, 39, a witch since 1985, has a public access television show on Wicca called "The Old Religion" that runs every Sunday night.



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Boniface, a practitioner of the Wicca religion, displays an offering wand as a gift to the dead and other religious paraphernalia in San Antonio on Oct. 26.

Postal workers deliver town's mail under all conditions — even fire

By Ralph Winingham
San Antonio Express-News

CASTROVILLE — Add fire to the list of things that can't stop U.S. Postal Service employees from completing their rounds — at least in the case of postal workers here.

Less than a week after a blaze raced through the 4-year-old post office on U.S. 90, postal employees had set up shop in the old post office — which served the city for 30 years — and they were working at a fevered pace to maintain service to the community.

"We delivered mail on Friday (Oct. 13, the day of the fire) and every day since the fire," Postmaster O.Y. Matthews said as she salvaged stamps and other items from the burned facility.

"We had to work out of the Hermann Sons Lodge for several days, but we were back in the old post office after they completed its restoration at noon Tuesday.

"The only problem has been a little bit of confusion over where we are operating," she added.

Safety deposit boxes at the local bank were used to store stamps and other supplies, Matthews said, explaining that the locks to the lodge had to be changed so only postal workers would have access to the building.

"From the time of the fire, the city has worked with us and offered to let us back in our old facility," she said.

Castroville, located 20 miles west of San Antonio, had signed a lease on the old post office and planned to renovate it as a new police station, but the work had not yet begun. So workers moved in and restored it as a post office instead.

Matthews said the cause of the blaze and damage estimates were pending, but she said no mail or packages were lost in the fire.

"The firefighters were just great," she said, explaining that the blaze started in the east end of the building where no mail was stored, but spread throughout the attic of the structure.

"They rushed in with the carts we had in the building and pulled out all the mail and packages they could find. Anything that was damaged by water was still identifiable, so we didn't have to work from a pile of ashes," Matthews said.

She said very little mail and packages were in the building at the time of the fire, which stopped all the clocks in the building at 3:45 a.m.

"We don't keep a lot of mail overnight, and we don't get our mail until about 5:30 a.m. All we had in the building was a little that had not been picked up from the boxes and some stored mail for people who were out of town," she said.

Most of the stamps and other materials also were saved.

"Everything has to be counted one at a time, but everyone's stock or accountability has been verified," she said.

Matthews and the eight other postal workers have been working 12 to 14 hours a day to maintain service, she said, although the old post office quarters are a little cramped.

"When we left the old building four years ago, we had 700 boxes and two routes. Now we have 1,300 boxes and four routes.

"The space was cramped when we left, and we have even less floor space now because of the larger number of boxes.

"We joke about all wearing the same perfume each day so we don't clash," Matthews said.

Since returning to the old post office, about half a mile east of the newer facility, employees have been focusing on exchanging keys with customers to allow them access to the new boxes.

"They have the same box numbers, we just have to give them new keys," she said. "The whole community has been very supportive."

Matthews said she will be happy if the burned facility is restored within 90 days, although the prospects are not too bright.

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Mexican folk healer leads Brownsville celebration on Day of the Dead

By Fernando Del Valle
Valley Morning Star (Harlingen)

BROWNSVILLE — When she was 9 years old, her grandmother — a "curandera," or folk healer — taught her to catch the rays of the sun and moon.

With the rays of the sun, she would become a healer; with those of the moon, she would become a midwife.

Today, people travel from as far away as Europe to a small mountain village in the southern Mexican state of Oaxaca to be cured by Dona Enriqueta Contreras.

And anthropologists and biologists work with her to research the plants she uses as part of her cures.

Today, on The Day of the Dead, Dona Enriqueta will assist in a Brownsville ceremony calling the spirits of deceased loved ones to join the living in a celebration that is steeped in Mexican culture.

"With love, we will ask God to help us reach the ones who have died," Dona Enriqueta said in Spanish last week after a presentation before an audience of health care professionals and colonia residents here.

For months, candles have been collected for the ceremony to be held at Casa de Colores, the Brownsville resource center for indigenous thought and culture, where the dead will be honored, said Helga Garza, the center's director.

With Dona Enriqueta as her guide, Garza will conduct the ceremony from midnight until dawn today.



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Enriqueta Contreras, left, from Oaxaca state in southern Mexico, explains the use of herbs and natural plants to cure illnesses during a visit to Brownsville on Oct. 26. Having her sprained wrist examined is Juana O. Ramos from Brownville.

For months, she has been collecting candles made of bees wax, while traveling to Mexico to find the rarer candles containing animal fat, Garza said.

In preparation for the celebration, she and others have held prayer sessions lasting as long as an hour, she said.

Late Wednesday, the group began preparing the ceremonial altar with white cloth, flowers, incense, fruit and photographs of deceased loved ones, Garza said.

Before the altar, they will pray for guidance, forgiveness and for humanity, she said.

The Day of the Dead remains one of the most important holidays in Mexico.

But many Mexican Americans are losing fundamental aspects of their culture, Dona Enriqueta said.

"Don't lose your traditions," she told the audience as she spoke of traditional medicines at Cameron Park. "God gave us all the elements. We must open our minds to these things. The important thing is faith. From the ground comes all we need — Mother Nature."

The pressures of modern life have severed many from their inner beings, Dona Enriqueta said in an interview.

"The people don't know the spirit," she said. "They have become sick spiritually and mentally because they are not in contact with their bodies. The illness starts in the head."

"Curanderismo," or folk healing, continues to play a viable role in Mexican-American culture, said Mark Glazer, an anthropologist at the University of Texas-Pan American.

"Human beings are not only bone and muscle, but also psychological beings," Glazer said.

Meanwhile, research is being conducted to determine the use of traditional medicines in the treatment of forms of cancer, AIDS and diabetes, said Eliseo Torres, a professor at Texas A&M University in Kingsville and author of two books on traditional medicine.

The Peruvian plant, "Una de Gato," or Uncaria Tomentosa, is being researched in countries such as Canada and Germany as a possible treatment for forms of cancer and AIDS, Torres said.

And in recent years, the chaya plant has become widely used to control diabetes, he said.

"We need to take this seriously," Torres said. "It's extremely important because we may have something valuable here."

Sandy Sanchez, an instructor of nursing at the University of Texas-Pan American, noted many modern medicines are plant-based.

She also stressed the importance of continued research.

"A lot of herbs deserve more investigation," Sanchez said. "Research has found value in some of these."

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Metroplex publishers find their own niches, audiences

By Leslie Gornstein
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

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"We had over $50 million in revenues for last year," says Jana Muntsinger, director of publicity. "We have a very, very diverse publishing agenda."

Diverse within the realm of Christian works, that is. With about 100 projects a year, Word publishes children's fare, biblical and academic works and trade readings.

Word has published commentator Pat Robertson's "The New World Order" and a book by baseball great Nolan Ryan, "The Miracle Man."

Due out on Veteran's Day is a memoir by Scott O'Grady, the downed F-16 pilot who endured six days in Bosnia in the summer before being rescued. Word will copublish the book with Doubleday, distributing it to inspirational bookstores, while its partner takes on mainstream retailers.

"It has been very beneficial to have a niche market that also appeals to a broad audience," Muntsinger says.

Harcourt Brace College Publishers, possibly the biggest of the publishers based in the Metroplex, sits on the other side of the county line in Fort Worth.

With about $150 million in annual revenues and an average press run of 12,000 books, the textbook division of Orlando, Fla.-based Harcourt Brace enjoys a relatively quiet arena.

Competition? What's that?

"Do we have any competition in the state of Texas?" Harcourt Brace College Publishers President Carl Tyson said in a phone interview last week. "I have my national sales manager right here. No? I didn't think so. Not really."

But he says that unlike 25 years ago, anyone with a little computer know-how can get into the business he's in.

"There is a lot more activity," he says. "If you go into a bookstore, a bookstore that carries some of everything, you will see a lot of little presses."

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Security costs may swamp Thanksgiving Day parade

EL PASO (AP) — A sponsorship deal that seemed to ensure the future of the city's largest traditional parade may now not be enough to get the floats rolling and the bands marching.

Sun Carnival Parade officials were hailing Blockbuster Video last weekend for agreeing to sponsor the annual Thanksgiving Day event for $20,000.

But they found out Monday they may have to scrap it because the city says it can't afford an additional $40,000 needed to cover the cost of police for traffic and crowd control.

There's not enough time to get the money from other sources because the 59th annual parade is only three weeks away, event officials say.

"We proceeded on the assumption, which may have been an error, that the city would sponsor the parade as it had the preceding 60 years," said Fred Evans, president of the Downtown Lions Club, which is trying for the first time to put the parade together by itself.

Estimates for the crowd at the parade range from 200,000 to 250,000. Police say they need more than 200 officers to keep order and block streets.

It would cost about $30,000 to staff it with a "bare minimum" of 133 officers, officials say.

Lions Club representatives said they couldn't raise any more than $15,000.

"We are still working at coming up with alternatives so we can have a parade," Evans said.

In previous years, the Sun Carnival Association, now the Sun Bowl Association, organized the parade with help from the Lions.

But this year, the association has been so concerned with keeping the Sun Bowl football game going, as well as putting on its annual basketball tournament, that it hasn't been able to focus on the parade, Evans said.

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Pentagon probes whether tainted information influenced weapons programs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon is reviewing billions of dollars in arms purchases that may have been based on bogus estimates of Soviet strength that were fed to the government by double agents, a senior defense official said Wednesday.

The review encompasses a range of weapons, from missile warheads to nuclear submarines to high-performance fighter aircraft purchased late in the Cold War. Deputy Defense Secretary John White, the Pentagon's No. 2 official, has established a panel of experts to examine the fallout from a CIA report acknowledging that intelligence officials passed along tainted information from Soviet-controlled double agents.

"One objective of the study will be to review the weight that was given to what we now know was 'directed' information in assessments that influenced policy decisions," the defense official said.

Pentagon officials learned earlier this year that the double agents, apparently under the orchestration of convicted CIA spy Aldrich Ames, provided the CIA with exaggerated reports of Soviet military capabilities. CIA analysts then passed those reports on to decision-makers at the White House and in the Pentagon without any warning that the information may have been bogus.

"We've been working with other members of the national security community to assess the damage this 'controlled' information might have caused," said the defense official, who spoke only on condition of anonymity.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, said that using the tainted information, "judgments were made on the purchase of military equipment involving significant sums of money .... The estimate in the report was into the billions."

Officials at the Pentagon and on Capitol Hill, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the review will encompass decisions made in the late 1980s, particularly during the Bush administration, to modernize tanks, fighter aircraft, missiles, submarines and missile defense systems.

Dick Cheney, Bush's defense secretary, did not return a phone call Wednesday seeking comment.

The Bush administration decision to go forward with the multibillion dollar F-22 stealth fighter, and the Navy's development of the Seawolf submarine are two systems getting particularly close scrutiny.

Critics have long charged that the Bush administration and the CIA were slow to recognize the decline and collapse of the Soviet Union.

A Pentagon analysis of Soviet military power compiled in 1990 — months before the Soviet collapse — notes continued aggressive modernization of the Soviet military despite the demise of the Warsaw Pact alliance.

"Soviet artillery modernization continues at an impressive rate," the report states. Other sections describe expanding strength in bomber capability, modernization of tank divisions, and expansion of the Soviet navy.

These assessments are sure to come under renewed criticism in light of the CIA report to Congress on Tuesday acknowledging the role of double agents in doctoring intelligence estimates.

Some, however, question the degree to which a single CIA report on Soviet capability in one military area would affect multibillion dollar weapons procurement decisions.

Retired Air Force Gen. Charles Horner, former head of the U.S. Space Command, said major new weapons such as the F-22 or Seawolf are developed over decades, based a desire to exploit new technologies. Although the goal is to stay ahead of enemy capabilities, assessments of an adversary's current assets are less important than future projections.

But, Horner said, the Soviets might have sought to push the United States into wasting money on improvements in missile accuracy and striking power by circulating exaggerated estimates of Soviet missile silo strength.

High court tackles dispute that could undermine effort to curb tobacco ads

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court tackled a free-speech dispute Wednesday that could snuff out President Clinton's effort to limit cigarette advertising.

As the court considered a challenge to Rhode Island's ban on liquor-price advertising, several justices voiced concern over what upholding the ban might mean for government's regulatory power over other potentially harmful products.

"Is your product special?" Justice Stephen G. Breyer asked Rhode Island's lawyer, Rebecca Partington. "Is there a stopping point?"

Courtroom hypotheticals included mentions of red meat, high-cholesterol foods, guns, bullets and foods that cause cancer when ingested in great amounts by lab animals. Cigarettes were not mentioned.

Yet the court's decision, expected by July, could clarify the federal government's authority over cigarette advertising. That authority already is being questioned mightily by the tobacco industry.

Clinton and the Food and Drug Administration have proposed rules that would forbid cigarette brand advertising at sports events and on T-shirts and other goods. Proposed rules would ban tobacco billboards within 1,000 feet of schools and playgrounds and limit the use of pictures and colors in cigarette ads.

Rhode Island law allows advertising for alcoholic beverages but requires publishers to exclude any mention of prices, or even the word "sale."

Partington said the state expected its advertising ban, which dates to 1956, to keep prices higher than if advertising were allowed. The goal, she said, is "promotion of temperance."

She argued that state control over alcohol is "unique" because of the Constitution's 21st Amendment, which ended Prohibition but gave states the power to control liquor sales within their borders.

"A total advertising ban (on liquor) would be constitutional," Partington argued.

Evan Lawson, a Boston lawyer representing the liquor stores that challenged the ban, agreed that Rhode Island could ban all liquor advertising or, indeed, ban all sales of liquor within the state.

"But the power to ban speech about something you're not banning is ... different," he argued.

Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Antonin Scalia seemed particularly skeptical about the 21st Amendment's effect on a state's power to interfere with commercial speech.

Scalia at one point called the 21st Amendment "entirely irrelevant" to the ad-ban dispute.

If the court finds no special relevance in a state's special powers under the 21st Amendment, its ruling probably will be written more broadly — affecting other potentially harmful products or activities as well.

Questioning from the justices implied that they will rely on two past decisions in weighing the validity of Rhode Island's law.

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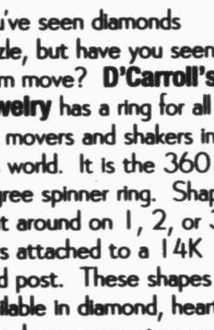
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Clinton, GOP discuss budget impasse

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton and Republican congressional leaders met face to face on their budget impasse Wednesday, emerging with no specific agreements but speaking positively about the chances of temporarily avoiding a federal default.

"We agreed there's an immediate problem, the debt ceiling," House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., told reporters after the hour-long session attended also by Democratic congressional leaders. "We want to be helpful on that. We're trying to work out a way to work together."

Gingrich and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said Republicans were considering extending the government's soon-to-expire borrowing authority into early December, shortly after they hope to send Clinton a final version of their seven-year, budget-balancing package.

Republicans earlier had considered an extension through Nov. 29. But they revised that Wednesday because the government has a huge payment due Dec. 1, when it mails out Social Security checks.

The conciliatory words on the debt limit contrasted with remarks Gingrich made earlier in the day, when he said Wall Street investors had told Republicans that "the market would shrug it off" if the government went into default, something that has never happened.

That conflicts with the views of Democrats and most economists, who say a federal failure to pay its creditors would spark higher interest rates and an unforeseeable reaction by financial markets.

Clinton and GOP leaders agreed to meet again, which could only be a positive sign amid the heated exchanges the budget battle has produced in recent weeks.

"Both sides understand each other better now than they did three hours ago," said White House spokesman Mike McCurry. The last time Clinton and GOP congressional leaders met on the budget was Sept. 12.

But neither side indicated any movement toward solving the standoff over the GOP's plans to balance the budget over seven years by paring Medicare, Medicaid and other social programs while providing a $245 billion tax cut.

Clinton has said he will veto the Republican budget-balancing measure, which House and Senate negotiators are trying to shape into a compromise, bicameral bill. The president has said the plan's spending cuts are too severe and its tax reduction too generous.

Republicans said they stuck to their insistence that the budget and the debt limit be linked. They plan to include a long-term extension of borrowing authority in their budget-balancing bill to put pressure on Clinton to sign it.

But the administration continued to insist that the two issues be separated, and that Republicans drop their plans for some spending cuts.

At one point during their meeting, Clinton told Republicans that "if they want to accomplish some of the things they feel are important to their long-term agenda, they would have to elect a Republican president," McCurry said.

Dole, when asked if he were more optimistic about ultimately reaching a budget compromise with Clinton, said only, "At least we met."

Earlier, Gingrich seemed to de-



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Members of the House and Senate Banking Committees meet on Capitol Hill Wednesday, to discuss budget proposals.

emphasize the possible consequences of a federal default.

"The market would understand this is not a financial default," Gingrich told reporters after meeting with some Wall Street investors. "This is a political struggle. There's a huge difference."

Not everyone on Wall Street agreed.

"I think it would set off very widespread shock waves throughout the market system" resulting in higher interest rates, said Lee Youngdahl, vice president of Aubrey G. Lanston and Co., a New York government securities dealer.

Bruce Steinberg of Merrill Lynch & Co. indicated Wall Street expects the problem to be resolved peacefully.

"It's like the perils of Pauline," Steinberg said. "No one believes the United States will default on its payments. We may go up to the last minute. But the debt limit will be raised and it will probably be extended more than once."

Earlier, McCurry said Clinton would rather have a default than accept the current Republican budget plan.

"There's no guarantee that it's going to work out in the end this time, given the posture that the president is in and the posture that the Congress is in," McCurry said.

House votes to repeal domestic partners law

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a defeat for gay rights advocates, the House voted Wednesday to repeal a District of Columbia law that allows city workers to register domestic partners for health benefits.

Lawmakers voted 249-172 in favor of a rider to the city's 1996 spending plan.

The measure's sponsor, Rep. John Hostettler, R-Ind., said the law, which also gives gay city residents the legal right to visit their partners in the hospital, contributes to the "moral and legal erosion of the traditional family."

Democrat Eleanor Holmes Norton, the District of Columbia's non-voting delegate to Congress, lobbied vigorously to retain the law. She said it costs the city nothing and protects the elderly and disabled, along with gay couples and non-traditional families.

"I want you to know who the chief beneficiaries of this (law) are given our demographic: two elderly people living together, a disabled person who cannot live alone, two sisters or brothers living together, a grandchild and a grandparent living together, a mother and a grown daughter living together," she said.

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., one of three openly gay members of Congress, argued that the law does not attack the foundations of the American family.

"Are you so frightened that people will see two men living together in a loving relationship or two women living together in a loving relationship and that will undermine the family?" Frank asked on the floor. "You're the ones who undermine the family when you trivialize it like this."

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Christian thrillers combine adventure, theology

By Gustav Niebuhr
N.Y. Times News Service

Wildlife biologist Steve Benson is alone and unarmed on a moonlit mountainside. He is being hunted. A lizardlike beast the size of a whale lurks nearby. It eats people.

Something new from Michael Crichton?

Not quite. Here is what Dr. Benson does next: He prays. "Now, Lord, You've helped me so far," the frightened scientist begins.

The scene is from "The Oath," a novel by Frank E. Peretti, a former Pentecostal minister. It is part of a new, lucrative genre loosely called Christian thrillers, in which potboiling adventure is combined with a distinctly conservative theology.

This literary trend is the latest example of the skill entrepreneurial believers have shown in taking secular ideas and giving them a spiritual twist for a religious marketplace. T-shirts with evangelical slogans, children's videos with cartoon Bible stories and many other products have found consumers who want their entertainment leavened with inspiration.

While the Christian thrillers may mention soul and spirit more often than, say, those by Dean Koontz, they tap deep into the current stream of American anxieties, telling stories of righteous individuals confronted by corrupt institutions like the government, the news media or law enforcement. Often, the books offer a conservative critique of abortion rights or Main Street clergy members who would shy away from denouncing personal sin; all feature major characters who publicly embrace a born-again faith in Jesus Christ.

Since August, two evangelical Protestant luminaries better known for their other works have published action novels: Charles Colson, the Watergate figure who now runs a prison ministry, and Pat Robertson, founder of the Christian Broadcasting Network.

Colson's book, "Gideon's Torch," written with Ellen Vaughn, tells the story of a harsh federal crackdown on anti-abortion groups, the response of a ruthless and opportunistic president to anti-abortion violence. A peaceful pastor is caught up in the government's sweep; a secularly inclined attorney general has a crisis of faith.

Robertson, in "The End of the Age," writes of nothing less than events leading to the Second Coming of Christ. After a meteor strikes Los Angeles, a wealthy couple flees to the desert, joins a Bible study group and converts; the Antichrist slips into the White House.

Colson's book has had a first printing of 175,000 copies and Robertson's 275,000 copies by Word Publishing, a subsidiary of Nashville-based Thomas Nelson Inc., which has priced each book at $22. But those numbers pale beside the 530,000 copies Word has printed since September of "The Oath."

"When you're writing Christian thrillers, you have to be very mindful of your readership," said Peretti, considered the dean of the genre. "I never put any swearing in my books."

Explicit sex is definitely out, too, and gory violence is kept to a minimum. But a character's spiritual transformation is essential. "Conversion is always in there," Peretti said, "if only by implication."

At $24 each, "The Oath," in which a rational-thinking scientist is forced to do battle with sin in the form of a fire-breathing dragon, topped Publishers Weekly's best-seller list of religious books in September, ahead of Pope John Paul II's book of reflections, "Crossing the Threshold of Hope" (Knopf).

Neither the Christian Booksellers Association nor the Evangelical Christian Publishers Association tracks the sales of religious fiction, let alone Christian thrillers. But the booksellers' group estimates annual sales of "Christian products," covering everything from books to choir robes, at $3 billion. Based on store surveys, the association estimates that books other than Bibles account for 28 percent of those sales.

The fact that thrillers are being written for this market indicates a shift in attitude about the proper use of leisure time, said Grant Wacker, a professor of American religion at Duke University's Divinity School.

"It's hard to imagine early Pentecostals taking the time to read novels at all," he said. "Reading novels is part of the broader process of acculturation."

Once the associate pastor of an Assemblies of God church in Vashon Island, Wash., Peretti gave birth to the genre with "This Present Darkness" (Crossway, 1986), still a big seller in religious bookstores. It tells the tale of a small-town newspaper editor, aided by a fundamentalist minister and an invisible troop of angels, who thwarts an occult conspiracy led by a female psychology professor and a legion of demons. The editor, who starts as a member of a vaguely liberal church, embraces a conservative faith by the novel's end.

The book's success "was a very significant turning point for Christian fiction," said Bill Anderson, president of the Christian Booksellers Association.

Until then, most fiction in religious bookstores tended toward frontier romances. But these days, Anderson said, booksellers see "a growing interest in quality reading that has the elements of entertainment but has the advantage of life- and character-building."

Peretti and his wife, Barbara, lived in a trailer near Seattle just a few years ago, but they now own a large, rustically elegant log house deep in the woods of northern Idaho.

A small bookcase near Peretti's desk holds translations of "This Present Darkness" into languages like Icelandic and Korean. That book and its sequel, "Piercing the Darkness," feature muscular, sword-bearing angels who materialize in blazes of light. Their demonic counterparts are slimy and afflicted with sulfurous breath. Some represent vices like sloth and lust.

"See, a lot of that is derived from what we know about demons," Peretti said. "They have different strengths; they have a hierarchical order; they have different tasks."

This is a common Pentecostal belief, one holding that evil spirits, under Satan's direction, can wreak havoc on humans. But they may be exorcised by Christian believers, just as Jesus did in Gospel accounts. Vivid exorcisms, with demons shrieking at the righteous, take place in some Peretti novels.

Readers may take that as entertainment, but Peretti said he wanted them to be spiritually moved. "In Christian bookselling, what gets talked about?" he said. "The effectiveness of the book as an avenue of ministry."

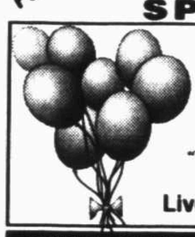

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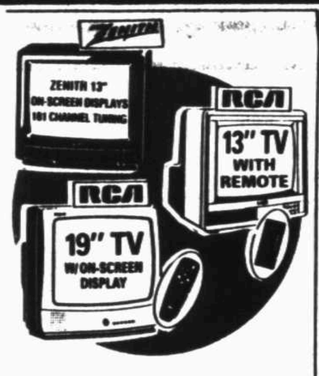
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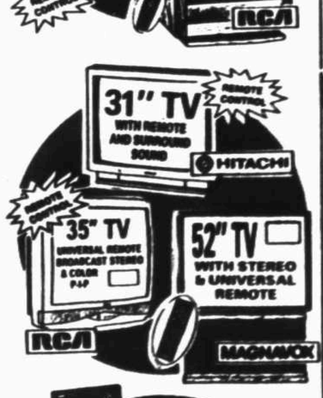
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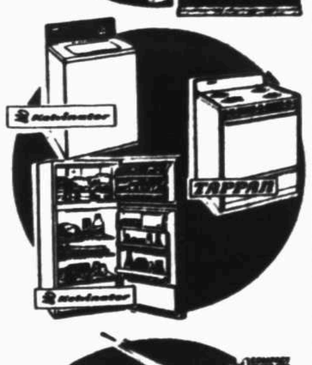

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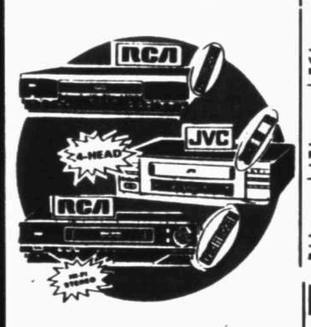
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BASKETBALL — Women's Junior College Basketball, Angelina College at Midland College, 7 p.m., Chaparral Center.

NFL honors

NEW YORK — Andre Rison, who until last week had been struggling in his first season in Cleveland, on Wednesday was selected AFC offensive player of the week for his 173-yard game in Cincinnati.

The NFL's other five honorees this week were quarterback Scott Mitchell of Detroit, defensive backs Cris Dishman of Houston and Vencie Glenn of the New York Giants, Cleveland kicker Matt Stover and New Orleans kick returner Tyrone Hughes.

Rison, who had only 17 catches in his first seven games, had seven for his 173 yards in the Browns' 29-26 victory over Cincinnati.

Stover kicked five field goals in that game, including the winner from 28 yards out in overtime.

Dishman had two interceptions in the Oilers' 19-7 victory over Tampa Bay, including one of which set up Houston's only touchdown.

Mitchell was 15 of 23 for three touchdowns in Detroit's 23-15 win over Green Bay.

Glenn returned an interception 75 yards for a touchdown in the Giants' 24-15 win over Washington. He also forced a fumble, recovered a fumble knocked down two passes and had three tackles.

Hughes had a 74-yard punt return to set up the Saints' only touchdown in their 11-7 upset over San Francisco.

Deion, Pepsi merge

DALLAS — Deion Sanders has joined Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones at the Pepsi-Cola bar.

Sanders announced during a national television appearance that he has signed a multiyear contract to endorse Pepsi, the nation's No. 2-selling soft drink. The company confirmed the deal Wednesday.

Under the contract, Sanders will be featured in Pepsi advertising and promotions.

Terms of the contract, which Sanders announced during a Tuesday night appearance on "The Late Show With David Letterman," were not disclosed.

"Truly, Pepsi and I have merged," he said.

Rick Rock, vice president of media and entertainment marketing for Pepsi, called Sanders a "hugely popular, charismatic" athlete.

The deal came after Sanders' Sunday debut with the Cowboys against the Atlanta Falcons. Sanders is in the first year of a $35 million, seven-year contract with the Cowboys.

Jones joined forces with Pepsi with a controversial $40 million, 10-year deal that makes the cola the official soft drink of Texas Stadium. The National Football League, which has an exclusive agreement with Coca-Cola, responded by suing Jones for $300 million in damages for that deal and others.

Sanders is the latest Cowboy to take a side in the war between Coke, the nation's top-selling soft drink, and Pepsi. Quarterback Troy Aikman and running back Emmitt Smith have deals with Coke.

Coke leads the U.S. market with a 42 percent share of the soft-drink market, compared to Pepsi's 32.3 percent.

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Lett, Holmes miss Cowboys' practice

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas — Starting defensive lineman Leon Lett and reserve cornerback Clayton Holmes, both under scrutiny for possible violation of the NFL's substance-abuse policy, missed practice on Wednesday and Dallas Cowboys coach Barry Switzer said it was for "personal reasons."

"I hope they'll be back for practice tomorrow," said Switzer, who would not elaborate. "Just don't assume they won't be playing Monday night."

Switzer said he had no idea where the two players were although several players speculated off the record that Lett and Holmes could be in New York pleading their case with commissioner Paul Tagliabue.

The NFL said it had no knowledge of any such hearing.

The league normally summons players to a hearing in New York before taking any action. Dallas owner Jerry Jones said he has not been informed if the players violated the drug policy.

Chad Hennings practiced in Lett's spot. Holmes lost his starting job when Deion Sanders joined the team.

Seldom-used Hurvin McCormack and Darren Benson also were being readied to be plugged into Lett's tackle spot should Lett be suspended.

Another Dallas starting tackle, Russell Maryland, has a sprained knee. Maryland was expected to play in Monday night's game against the Philadelphia Eagles.

"I'm getting a lot of practice time because Russ is hurt and Leon is trying to get his situation straightened out," Hennings said.

McCormack said "right now I'm in the lineup but I don't know what's going on. I'm working hard to be ready to play. I've taken the approach that you never know what's going to happen so I'll be ready."

Also missing from Wednesday's practice was end Charles Haley, who is nursing a sore back. Switzer said Haley will be ready to go against the Eagles.

Sanders was treating a tight hamstring but he said "I'll be OK. I don't want to miss Monday night. It's cool. It's a chance to showcase what you have before a national audience."

Lett, a Pro Bowler, had one sack and 24 tackles in the

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Area football scene full of surprises

By Mike Butts
Sports Writer

It's not easy to pick the biggest surprise among area football teams.

There's Rankin, picked to finish third in District 8-1A and apparently on its way to a league title. Stanton, expected to finish fourth in its district, 6-2A, a win away from breaking a five-year playoff dearth. Seminole entered the season as a long shot to make the playoffs, and despite falling to Lubbock Cooper last week the Indians remain in the middle of the playoff race. And Crane, a fourth place pick in District 8-3A, can make the playoffs with wins in its last two contests.

STANTON's celebration of Friday's 21-0 win over Wall lasted all the way to Monday. That's when the Buffaloes turned their attention to Winters, the undefeated and No. 3-ranked team that beat Stanton last year 35-0.

The Buffs would clinch the District 6-2A championship by beating Winters Friday, making this the biggest game of the 1990s for Stanton, a playoff no-show since 1989.

"We know we're going to have to play a great game to have a chance," Stanton coach Mark Cotton said. "(But) these kids ... you better not underestimate them."

Despite a strong rushing game, Stanton managed only three first downs against Winters last year. The Blizzards have most of that defense back and have allowed only 73 points in going 8-0, 3-0 in District 6-2A. The Buffs (7-1, 3-0)

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LADY CHAPS SEASON OPENER

Lights, camera, action

The Lady Chaps open the season tonight at Chap Center

By Amy Wolfenbarger
Sports Writer

The Midland College Lady Chaparrals hit the ground running today as they open the 1995-96 basketball season with a total of four games in five days.

And with the teams scheduled to face the Lady Chaps today through Saturday at Chaparral Center, there will be no lack of action for Coach Ron Jones team.

"There should be some really fast-paced games Thursday and Friday," said Jones, whose team is back in action for its second season in existence after advancing to the playoffs in its first year.

The Lady Chaps get kicked off today with Angelina College at 7 p.m. today. On Friday, they will play Blinn Junior College at 7 p.m. and on Saturday, the Lady Chaps wrap up the classic by hosting San Jacinto Junior College at 7 p.m.

Midland College will then rest on Sunday before hosting Tyler Junior College on Monday at 7 p.m.

The three games at Chap Center are actually part of an agreement with Angelina, Blinn and San Jacinto to get some extra games in while they are visiting Odessa for the Odessa Classic. All three teams are playing in Odessa but then doubling their pleasure with games against Midland College.

Yes, basketball has hit the Permian Basin in a big way.

"Angelina likes to play a similar style to ours," said Jones. "They finished second in that conference to Trinity Valley

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File Photo

Greenwood's Brandi Wright, seen above, is one of many returnees for the Lady Chaps, who will start the 1995-96 season tonight at the Chap Center.

MSA lures 1997 ASA national fast-pitch tourney

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

The Midland Softball Association has come through for the Tall City once again.

MSA has landed the 1997 National ASA Girls 12-Under Fast Pitch tournament for the Bill Williams Softball Complex in Hogan Park.

Midland beat out 14 cities from across the nation for the right to host the 1997 event while at the ASA national convention in San Diego, Calif., during the week of Oct. 21-26. In the final vote, Midland was the ultimate winner over Chattanooga, Tenn., by a 142-116 vote.

Those representing Midland at the ASA convention were MSA members Freddie and Virginia Ezell, Bill and Peggy Williams, Benita Clark, Rob Hull and Randy Tanner. Anita Rogers of the Mid-

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File Photo

The Orange County Batbusters battle the Houston Renegades at the 1995 16-Under National Championships held at the Bill Williams Softball Complex this past summer. The Midland Softball Association will bring similiar national tournaments to Midland in 1996 and 1997.

Beals give Baha taste of Midland

By Deke Holgate

The world-famous Baja 1000 race has turned out to be more than just a weekend outing for the Beal family of Midland. It's looking more and more like a tradition.

When the 28th annual Baja 1000 commences in Tijuana on Nov. 9, no less than five Beals will be in the race. That's bad news for the opposition since the Beals are defending their Class 3 (production short wheel-based 4X4 vehicles) championship of the event.

Included in Midland's first family of off-road racing are three brothers, Carty, 56; Spencer, 48; and Kelly, 41. Also

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Sean Wallace

SWC teams winning with Defense

Offense has been chic in college football the past few years. You can't go 20 minutes without hearing "west coast offense" and the pressure to win by as much as you can to protect a national ranking is paramount.



Wallace

The Southwest Conference has three teams in the Top 25 — Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech with one more on the way in No. 26 Baylor — but you won't find them anywhere near the top in any national offensive category.

These three are winning the old-fashioned way — with defense.

Gone are the days when defense dominated the game and 7-0 games were not that uncommon. It used to be that Southeastern Conference teams took up half the list of the top 10 defenses in the country. Now it doesn't have one team in the top 15.

Since 1985, Texas A&M has won six of 10 SWC titles with teams predicated on defense and this year is no different.

The "Wrecking Crew" defense made popular in A&M's title runs in the '80s hasn't missed a beat and is No. 3 in the nation in total defense; only Kansas State and North Carolina have put up stingier opposition this season.

The Aggies have put the defense in overdrive since surrendering 29 points to Colorado a month ago. A&M has allowed only 47 points in its last four games and all four were wins.

Its latest effort came Saturday when the Aggies fell behind early but the defense sparked a second half spurt to put down the Cougars.

Defensive back Andre Williams gave the Aggies the spark they needed when he picked off a pass and walked into the end zone for a touchdown. A&M went on to score 17 in the half and pull away from the Cougars, and its defense was a big part of it.

Backed up to his own goal line by an A&M punt, Houston's Chuck Clements was pressured by linebacker Keith Mitchell into making a bad throw into the flat and never saw Williams out there.

But as good as the A&M defense is, Baylor's is right up there as well. The Bears are No. 4 in the nation in total defense and scoring defense, allowing just 13.9 points a game.

Baylor has held Texas Tech to seven points, shut out North Carolina State and leads the nation in pass efficiency defense. Texas Tech is fourth.

Adrian Robinson, Baylor's two-time all-SWC selection, makes the Bears defense go with timely interceptions which kill drives. Robinson is the conference's active career interception leader with 10 (three this season so far) and had two of them off TCU's Max Knake last Saturday.

Quick, someone check that Brazos River water.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

#23 TEXAS TECH (5-2, 2-1) AT #13 TEXAS (5-1-1, 2-0) — The Black against the Orange....should have been played on Tuesday. The Raiders have had recent success against the Longhorns — Texas Tech has won the last two meetings including last year's 33-9 pasting in Lubbock and is looking to beat A&M and Texas in the same season for the first time since 1989 — but the Longhorns actually have something to play for this season. UT's 17-16 win over Virginia two weeks ago was huge for the 'Horns morale, not to mention for the fans. The fans should be back en force Saturday night for this nationally televised game and should bring Texas a win. **Texas 30, Texas Tech 17.**

BAYLOR (5-2) AT MIAMI, FLA. (4-3) — The Hurricanes have had their way with the SWC in recent years with blowout wins over Houston, Texas Tech and that Cotton Bowl massacre of Texas. It's payback time. Miami has had trouble all year with good defensive teams like Southern California and Virginia Tech (both losses), and Baylor definitely fits. Bears' All-everything running back Jerod Douglas (149 yards, 2 TD vs. TCU last week) gets another opportunity to plant his name for the 1996 Heisman Trophy and he shouldn't disappoint. **Baylor 24, Miami 17.**

SMU (1-7, 0-4) AT TCU (5-2, 2-1) — Riddle me this: if two SWC teams played, and nobody saw it, did it actually happen? SMU and TCU will tell us. The Frogs have a seemingly impressive 5-2 record, but wins over Iowa State (winless in 1994, 3-5 in 1995), Vanderbilt and barely beating Tulane don't inspire much confidence. Combine that with the loss of star running back Andre Davis and SMU which isn't a road draw, and there might be as many people in the press box as in the stands. **SMU 21, TCU 17.**

LAST WEEK: 4-0. OVERALL RECORD: 26-12 (.684).

Sean Wallace is a sports writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

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Houston hopes to three-peat history

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — As the defending NBA champion Houston Rockets entered the playoffs last year seeded sixth in the Western Conference, coach Rudy Tomjanovich predicted his club would improve in the postseason.

The Rockets proved him right, growing closer as a family and better as a team through a grueling but glorious playoff run that ended with a second-consecutive NBA title.

Now comes the bad news for the Rockets' prospective challengers for the crown: They feel what they did in the playoffs last season was only a beginning.

"The improvement can continue, of course," said Tomjanovich, whose team opens the season Friday at The Summit against Golden State. "The end result of last season happened even though this team had only been together for a short time.

"The more you're together, the more you know about each other. At the end of the playoffs, we were still improving. And now, we're still getting to know each other. The chemistry is getting even better."

It's for that reason that the Rockets embark on the 1995-96 season with a chance to become the team of the '90s and one of the greatest NBA teams ever.

"We'd like to build on what we did," said guard Clyde Drexler, whose trade from Portland on Valentine's Day galvanized the team. "Familiarity should breed more success. I think our chemistry should only improve. ... I think we can have a lot of success this year. If we stay healthy."

Kenny Smith, Drexler's backcourt teammate, predicts that this Rockets team has "five or six more trips to the Finals."

The expectations are lofty, but the fact remains that back-to-back championships haven't taken the edge off the Rockets' hunger. Many players say this team won't reach its potential if it settles for two titles.

"If we can win another one, we'd be considered one of the greatest teams in the history of the game and that would be a great honor," said Mario Elie.

There is some reason believe that the players' talk is more than bravado. For one thing, this year's roster is the deepest and most talented of any in Rockets history.

The starting five includes two bona fide superstars (Drexler and Hakeem Olajuwon), a blossoming NBA star (Robert Horry), a hard-working, physical power forward (Mark Bryant) and one of the league's best 3-point shooters (Kenny Smith).

Then Tomjanovich has plenty to work with on the bench, with players like Sam Cassell, Pete Chilcutt and Elie to provide spark.

"These guys are really making it difficult on me," Tomjanovich said. "Robert Horry was talking to me the other day and said he felt sorry for me. I asked him what he was talking about and he said it was going to be tough on me to figure out who to play. And he's right."

There are other factors on the Rockets' side, too. For one, they've mastered the art of winning clutch games. Secondly, Drexler will have the benefit of a full season with the team. And third, locker-room malcontent Vernon Maxwell is gone, jettisoned near the start of the 1995 playoffs.

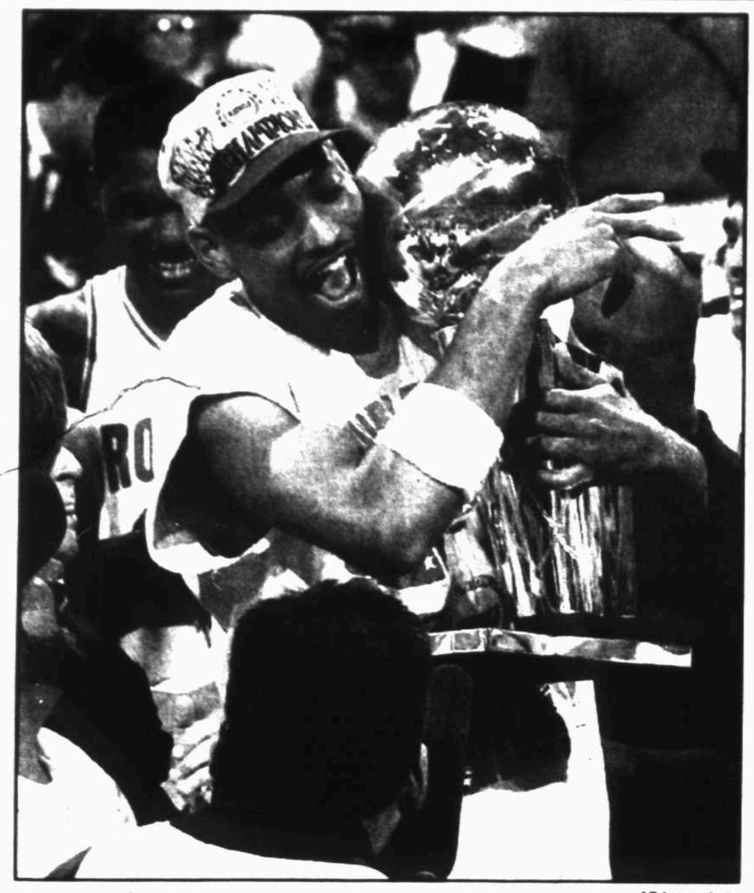
All that and some Las Vegas oddsmakers have installed Houston as the seventh most-likely team to win the championship this season.

"How does somebody pick up the ability to win clutch games over the course of a summer?" Tomjanovich asks. "Or how does somebody else lose that ability?"

So ask any of the Rockets, can they win a third consecutive title?

"To me, it's common sense," Chilcutt said. "Our guys did a great job of making that run last season in the playoffs. These guys know what to do when the situations get tough.

"And I don't think we're going to go backward."



AP Laserphoto

Houston's Robert Horry celebrates the Rockets' repeat title in June. The Rockets swept the Orlando Magic in four games.

Mavs are trying to go from outhouse to penthouse

The Associated Press

DALLAS — The Mavericks no longer are the NBA's door scrape.

Dallas won 36 times last season and improved 23 games over the 1993-94 season, the biggest one-year turnaround in club history.

Head coach Dick Motta sprang the surprise on the rest of the league by relying on a youthful and talented lineup that included the likes of Jim Jackson, Jamal Mashburn, Jason Kidd and Popeye Jones.

The win total would have been higher save for Jackson's season-ending ankle injury on Feb. 24. Before his injury, Jackson was having an outstanding year, averaging 25.7 points per game to rank fifth in the NBA in scoring.

Motta, in his 24th year as an NBA coach, really likes his team but not enough to forecast the playoffs.

"Our division is very good and we still have a young team with a lot to learn," Motta said. "We still need to be more dominating on the board. Any playoff talk would be premature. We have to see what we can put together."

The Mavericks have Lorenzo Williams, Jones and rookie Loren Meyer of Iowa State, one of two first round draft picks, for help in the middle. But big teams gave the Mavs fits last year and it will be a problem again.

"We still have problems with teams that have dominating centers," said Motta, whose Mavericks open the season Friday against San Antonio and the ever-dominant David Robinson.

Williams averaged eight rebounds per game but needs help. Jones led the league in offensive rebounds with 329 but was ninth in overall rebounding with 10.6.

Motta isn't counting on any help from Roy Tarpley, who an inflamed pancreas and may open the season on the injured list or suspended. Tarpley, once considered one of the league's best rebounders, averaged eight rebounds per game last season.

Mashburn finished the season ranked fifth in scoring with 24.1 points per game.

Top draft pick Cherokee Parks of Duke is expected to give the Mavericks some small forward reserve help. He and Meyer showed talented flashes during the Mavs' 2-6 preseason.

After opening at the Alamodome with the Spurs, the Mavericks catch the Golden State Warriors in Reunion Arena on Saturday night.

"This is a hard working team," Motta said. "We will have a hustling, hard-playing team. We've got to get a lot better on defense. I think our offense will come around."

Devils pick up Tikkanen

The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Left wing Esa Tikkanen, who has played for five Stanley Cup champions, was traded to the 1995 champion New Jersey Devils Wednesday by the St. Louis Blues in exchange for a third-round pick in the 1997 Entry Draft.

"We feel his style of play and experience will just complement what we have here," Devils general manager Lou Lamoriello said. "I will tell you one thing, he's the type of player that I want on my team."

Tikkanen, 30, has one goal and four assists in 11 games. In 674 career games he has 215 goals, 322 assists and 931 penalty minutes. Tikkanen was a member of four Stanley Cup Championship teams with the Edmonton Oilers and played for the New York Rangers 1994 champions.

The Blues got him from the Rangers on July 24, 1994 along with Doug Lidster in exchange for Petr Nedved as part of the settlement for GM-coach Mike Keenan leaving the Rangers.

Lamoriello said Tikkanen will join the Devils in San Jose Thursday.

"I was a little surprised," Tikkanen said. "But I am excited coming to New Jersey. I hope I can help the team win another Stanley Cup. St. Louis was great for me, but I am happy to come back to the New York area. It will be exciting."

In other moves the Devils also acquired right wing Darin Kimble from the Chicago Blackhawks for wingers Bill Armstrong and Mike Vukonich and recalled defenseman Jamie Rivers from Worcester of the AHL.

Kimble, who appeared in nine games this season with Indianapolis of the IHL, was assigned to Albany of the AHL. Rivers had a goal and four assists in seven games at Worcester. He played in the season opener at Washington Oct. 7 and was sent down the next day.

Conference final's memory drives San Antonio players

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The Spurs have dumped Dennis Rodman, but they're clinging to memories of the Western Conference finals.

With the regular season starting Friday against the Dallas Mavericks in the Alamodome, some San Antonio players already have their sights set on improving on last season's playoff run.

"This is a different team. We're a more professional team, and I think our goals will definitely be higher," said center David Robinson, last season's Most Valuable Player.

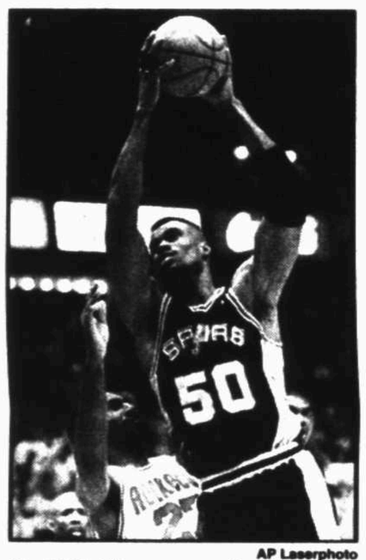
The Spurs' season ended in early June with a loss to the NBA champion Houston Rockets in the conference finals.

"I think we're going to be better, I think we're going to be deeper," Robinson said. "Our expectations are obviously a lot higher."

One ingredient in the Spurs' newfound "professionalism" is the absence of the unpredictable Rodman.

"There's no question that has some effect," Robinson said. "Houston showed you last year it wasn't that important to necessarily be the most talented team but to be the best team team."

Rodman, known for his tattoos, bright hair colors and defiant behavior, had been a distraction for the Spurs all last season. It started with suspensions and a leave of absence for Rodman. Later he missed games because he injured his shoulder in a motorcycle accident. And in the playoffs, Rodman got into an on-court dispute with coach Bob Hill.



AP Laserphoto

David Robinson, seen here against the Houston, will lead San Antonio, who is looking to improve on 1995's conference finals appearence.

The Spurs dealt Rodman, the league's leading rebounder for four straight seasons, to Chicago for backup center Will Perdue. So far the Spurs seem pleased — and relieved — about the trade.

Perdue can score, said Hill, who expects to play him alongside Robinson at times. "Most centers, he can guard them. He has in the past. He started 78 games in Chicago last year," Hill said.

The Spurs also have acquired forward Carl Herrera and forward/center Greg "Cadillac" Anderson and Brad Lohaus.

"Overall we've added an enormous amount of character, professionalism," Hill said. "There's no question that the environment of the team is for the better."

Despite a few preseason injuries, and the slowdown in conditioning that has meant for some players, Hill likes the progress his team has made in the exhibition season.

"We're way ahead of last year," he said. "And the team has been able to stay competitive and win, so that's a good sign. I think that breeds confidence and self-esteem."

Among the other returning Spurs are Sean Elliott, Avery Johnson, Vinny Del Negro, Chuck Person, Doc Rivers and J.R. Reid.

Like Robinson, Elliott said the playoffs already are on the Spurs' minds.

"We're so anxious to get back to where we were last year," he said.

"I think the new guys realize what a great opportunity this is. I think they sat there and they watched us last year and a lot of these guys that are new thought we were going to win it last year," Elliott said.

As coach, Hill said, his job is to keep his players motivated and to make sure they don't become too satisfied.

"Obviously we need to start preparing for the playoffs Friday night," Hill said. "That's what the regular season is all about."

NBA might open without officials

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — When the NBA opens its season Friday, it will likely be without its regular referees.

The NBA said Wednesday it will start the season with two-man replacement crews because it has been unable to come to contract terms with its regular refs, locked out since Oct. 1.

Further raising the stakes in the contract dispute, the NBA also said it would begin training additional replacements so three-man crews could be in place no later than the All-Star break in February.

Commissioner David Stern acknowledged safety was a concern with two-man crews but said the league has made what he called a generous salary offer to the refs' union.

"In light of the fact our referees appear intransigent on this issue, this is going to be a long confrontation," Stern said. "It's not an ideal situation. I've always been in favor of three-man crews."

The NBA said negotiators for the referees' union rejected a sweetened salary offer that would pay first-year refs, who made $68,000 last year, $74,000 this season and $79,000 in the fifth and final year of the contract. The most senior officials, who made $177,000 last season, would make $201,000 this season and $253,000 in the fifth year.

Referee Mike Mathis, the union's lead negotiator, said he hadn't formally rejected the proposal but called it unacceptable.

The refs seek pay equal to that of officials in baseball and hockey and want a three-year contract with an average raise of 21 percent.

Players have been sharply critical of the replacement referees, most of whom have come from the Continental Basketball Association, and have questioned their knowledge of NBA rules. During the preseason, players also blamed a number of fights on there being only two officials on the court instead of three.

The NBA has hired 42 replacements and are looking at others in the CBA and college level who could be moved up.

"As soon as we feel we're ready, we'll do it," said Rod Thorn, NBA vice president of operations. "Our guys are gaining experience every day.

"Our charge is we have competetent referees to referee games, and that's what we'll attempt to do and that's what we're going to do."

CHAPS: MC starts sophomore season

(From 1C)

and they should be better this year. It will be a very challenging first opponent."

Like last year, the Lady Chaps will be a team that relies on the fast-paced game and also the three-point shot. Jones said of his 13 players, 10 can hit from long range. Returning sophomores Roslynn Dunn, Pam Hicks, Shannon Jordan, Amber Follis and Stacie Johnson are all three-point threats and Jordan led the team last year with 73 treys. And several of the newcomers, including transfers Erica Knight (Baylor), Julie Chancellor (Angelo State) and Malyssa Thorngren (Arizona State) will add to the depth of an already strong three-point shooting team. Freshmen who should contribute to the long-range game plan are Miami's Kellina Bradshaw and Canyon's Mandi White.

Blinn, who the Lady Chaps face on Friday, will be another fast-paced team, Jones said.

"They redshirted a few of their players last year and they're all back," said Jones. "They've got a lot of size and quickness."

The Lady Chaps should be able to match up on the block with freshmen Ndiasse Ndiaye (6-foot-1) and Fatou Cisse' (6-2), both from Senegal, West Africa. Returning sophomore Brandy Wright (Greenwood) and Thorngren are both 6-0.

The one team the Lady Chaps do not know much about is their opponent for Saturday — San Jacinto.

"We don't know as much about them as I would like but hopefully we can find out some more before we play them," said Jones. "Ricky Ryan is the coach there — I think this is his third year — and he's improved that team every year he's been there."

MC could get an early look at San Jac, who will play Odessa College today in the first night of the Odessa Classic.

NOTES: Three MC players are nursing injuries, including sophomore Hicks who could be out from two to four weeks with a stress fracture in her left foot. She goes back to the doctor on Saturday for another x-ray but Jones, while optimistic, would like to have her back at least in time for the Nov. 21 conference-opening game with Western Texas. "Anything before that is just a bonus," said Jones ... Thorngren had arthroscopic surgery on Oct. 19 but has been practicing with the team since then. "She's had a fast recovery," said Jones, "and she could get some playing time this weekend." ... Johnson has been hampered by a sore back, but Jones doesn't think it will cause any lost playing or practice time.

"INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNET"
Thursday, Nov 9
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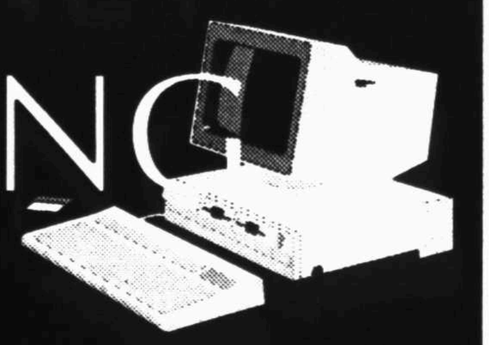
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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Area Standings

District 8-1A Overall Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Rankin	6	2	0	173	116	.750
Menard	5	3	0	142	122	625
Eden	4	4	0	107	143	500
Irion Co.	4	4	0	138	156	500
Miles	1	7	0	72	231	125
Christoval	0	8	0	43	188	000

District Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Rankin	3	0	0	107	33	1.000
Menard	2	1	0	109	48	667
Eden	2	1	0	53	55	667
Miles	1	2	0	35	86	333
Irion Co.	1	2	0	61	67	333
Christoval	0	3	0	12	88	000

Last Week's Results

Rankin 35, Eden 7; Menard 50, Christoval 0; Irion County 27, Miles 7.

This Week's Games

Rankin at Christoval, Eden at Miles, Irion County at Menard.

District 6-2A Overall Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Winters	8	0	0	260	73	1.000
Stanton	7	1	0	208	117	875
Coahoma	5	3	0	186	153	625
Wall	5	3	0	151	110	625
Jim Ned	3	4	1	147	133	428
Forsan	2	4	0	104	212	333

District Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Winters	3	0	0	120	22	1.000
Stanton	3	0	0	80	22	1.000
Wall	2	1	0	46	37	667
Coahoma	1	2	0	49	86	333
Jim Ned	0	3	0	30	85	000
Forsan	0	3	0	16	108	000

Last Week's Results

Stanton 21, Wall 0; Winters 52, Jim Ned 6; Coahoma 34, Forsan 20.

This Week's Games

Winters at Stanton, Forsan at Wall, Coahoma at Jim Ned.

District 8-3A Overall Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Greenwood	6	1	0	180	96	.857
Sonora	6	2	0	154	82	750
Colorado City	5	3	0	155	152	625
Reagan County	4	4	0	164	233	500
Crane	3	5	0	161	160	375
Kermit	0	8	0	62	189	000

District Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Greenwood	3	0	0	104	28	1.000
Crane	2	1	0	67	62	667
Colorado City	2	1	0	53	61	667
Reagan County	1	2	0	64	60	333
Sonora	1	2	0	58	56	333
Kermit	0	3	0	45	74	000

Last Week's Results

Greenwood 35, Sonora 14; Crane 27, Reagan County 12; Colorado City 24, Kermit 14.

This Week's Games

Colorado City at Greenwood, Kermit at Crane, Sonora at Reagan County.

District 5-3A Overall Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Denver City	7	1	0	161	77	875
Seminole	5	2	1	184	140	687
Slaton	4	2	1	140	83	642
Lubbock Cooper	4	3	0	166	145	571
Brownfield	4	3	0	152	49	571
Lubbock Roosevelt	2	6	0	80	236	285

District Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Denver City	3	0	0	73	19	1.000
Brownfield	2	1	0	79	45	667
Lubbock Cooper	2	1	0	75	55	667
Seminole	1	1	1	78	72	500
Slaton	0	2	1	42	54	167
Lubbock Roosevelt	0	3	0	15	117	000

Last Week's Results

Lubbock Cooper 21, Seminole 19; Denver City 33, Lubbock Roosevelt 0; Brownfield 14, Slaton 7.

This Week's Games

Seminole at Lubbock Roosevelt, Brownfield at Denver City, Slaton at Lubbock Cooper.

District 5-4A Overall Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Sweetwater	8	0	0	243	82	1.000
Lubbock Estacado	5	3	0	156	139	625
Levelland	5	3	0	150	141	625
Snyder	5	3	0	138	130	625
Frenship	5	3	0	122	89	625
Lamesa	2	6	0	156	204	250

District Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Sweetwater	3	0	0	97	49	1.000
Snyder	2	1	0	48	44	667
Frenship	1	2	0	76	58	333
Lubbock Estacado	1	2	0	64	66	333
Levelland	1	2	0	54	63	333
Lamesa	1	2	0	43	100	333

Last Week's Results

Lamesa 17, Snyder 10; Levelland 21, Lubbock Estacado 7; Sweetwater 28, Frenship 14.

This Week's Games

Lamesa at Snyder, Levelland at Lubbock Estacado (Thursday), Frenship at Sweetwater.

District 4-4A Overall Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Lake View	6	1	1	225	113	812
Andrews	4	4	0	131	106	500
Big Spring	3	5	0	187	131	375
Monahans	2	6	0	104	191	250
Fort Stockton	1	7	0	80	259	125
Pecos	1	7	0	76	242	125

District Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Lake View	3	0	0	123	26	1.000
Andrews	3	0	0	97	10	1.000
Big Spring	2	1	0	98	36	667
Fort Stockton	1	2	0	30	85	333
Monahans	0	3	0	36	93	000
Pecos	0	3	0	15	127	000

Last Week's Results

Big Spring 56, Pecos 8; Andrews 36, Fort Stockton 0; Lake View 53, Monahans 6.

This Week's Games

Big Spring at Monahans, Lake View at Andrews, Pecos at Fort Stockton.

TAPPS Six-Man District 1 Overall Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Abilene Christian	8	0	0	373	109	1.000
Midland Christian	7	1	0	431	129	875
EP Faith Christian	4	3	0	306	278	571
Trinity	4	4	0	247	336	500
Amarillo Christian	0	6	0	53	333	000

District Standings

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pct.
Midland Christian	2	0	0	122	12	1.000
Abilene Christian	2	0	0	112	32	1.000
Trinity	1	1	0	75	78	500
EP Faith Christian	1	1	0	66	64	500
Amarillo Christian	0	4	0	24	213	000

Last Week's Results

Midland Christian 60, Trinity 12; Abilene Christian 58, El Paso Christian 32; Amarillo Christian bye.

This Week's Games

Midland Christian at Abilene Christian, El Paso Faith Christian at Trinity, Amarillo Christian at Carlsbad Victory Christian.

Transactions

By The Associated Press

AUTO RACING

Winston Cup

BUTCH MOCK MOTORSPORTS—Released Todd Bodine, driver. Named Morgan Shepherd driver.

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Exercised their 1996 option on Jesse Orosco, pitcher. Declined to exercise their 1996 option on Doug Jones, pitcher.

BOSTON RED SOX—Signed Jim Tatum, infielder-catcher.

DETROIT TIGERS—Named Steve Lubratich assistant general manager and Randy Johnson assistant to the general manager.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Declined to exercise their 1996 option on Darryl Hamilton, outfielder.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Extended the deadline to exercise their 1996 option on Darryl Strawberry, outfielder, until November 2.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Exercised their 1996 option on Dennis Eckersley, pitcher.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Offered salary arbitration to Norm Charlton, pitcher.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Declined to exercise their 1996 option on Paul Molitor, designated hitter.

National League

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Signed Darren Hall, pitcher.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Announced Piedmont of the South Atlantic League has changed its nickname to the Boll Weevils.

American Association

INDIANAPOLIS INDIANS—Named Dave Miley manager.

BASKETBALL

NBA

CHICAGO BULLS—Waived Kenny Harris and Ronnie McMahan, guards.

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Waived John Battle, guard.

DENVER NUGGETS—Waived Brandon Born and Larry Sykes, forwards.

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Placed Andrew DeClercq, forward, on the injured list. Waived Matt Maloney and Phil Handy, guards.

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Waived Darrick Martin, guard.

NEW YORK KNICKS—Waived Jean Prioleau, guard.

PHOENIX SUNS—Waived Orlando Smart, guard. Signed Tony Smith, guard, to a one-year contract.

TORONTO RAPTORS—Signed Tracy Murray, guard.

UTAH JAZZ—Waived Howard Eisley, guard.

VANCOUVER GRIZZLIES—Acquired Anthony Avent, forward, from the Orlando Magic for Kevin Pritchard, guard, and Larry Stewart, forward. Waived Litterial Green, guard.

CBA

SAN DIEGO WILDCARDS—Signed Kevin Brooks, forward, and Michael Williams, guard.

American Major Basketball League

ANDERSON SHOCKERS—Waived Terry Lancaster, guard, from injured reserve.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL—Settled with the players union on the contract matter of Deion Sanders. Dallas Cowboys cornerback Announced that the Cowboys will have to apply an additional $1.6 million toward their salary cap over the next four years.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Placed Ron Heller, tackle, on injured reserve. Signed Eric Moore, tackle, to the active roster. Signed Mark Hatfield, tackle, to the practice squad. Waived Joe Planansky, tight end. Waived Arthur Bussie, defensive end, and Demeris Johnson, wide receiver, from the practice squad.

NEW YORK JETS—Placed Donald Evans, defensive lineman, Marcus Turner, defensive back, and Siupeli Malamala, tackle, on injured reserve.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Signed James Willis, linebacker, to a one-year contract. Released Nate Dingle, linebacker. Waived Vaughn Bryant, cornerback, from the practice squad.

ST. LOUIS RAMS—Signed Dean Biasucci, placekicker.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Announced that Rodney Harrison safety, won an appeal of a $6,000 fine that was levied for a hit on San Francisco wide receiver Michael Caldwell in the exhibition season.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Signed Brian O'Neal, fullback. Signed Mike Caldwell, wide receiver, to the practice squad.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed James Logan, linebacker. Signed John Solomon, linebacker, to the practice squad. Cut Manley Woods, wide receiver, from the practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL—Announced that Chris Pronger, St. Louis Blues defenseman, has been suspended for four games and fined $1,000 for a slash on Pat Peake, Washington Capitals center.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Traded Darin Kimble, right wing, to the New Jersey Devils for Bill Armstrong and Mike Vukonich, centers.

HARTFORD WHALERS—Recalled Robert Petrovicky, center, from Springfield of the AHL.

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Loaned Mark Lamb, center, to Houston of the IHL.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Acquired Esa Tikkanen, left wing, from the St. Louis Blues for a 1997 third-round draft choice. Sent Darin Kimble, right wing, to Albany of the AHL.

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Recalled Darren Rumble, defenseman, from Hershey of the AHL.

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Recalled Jamie Rivers, defenseman, from Worcester of the AHL.

American Hockey League

ALBANY RIVER RATS—Recalled Mark Stroebel, defenseman, from Raleigh of the ECHL.

SYRACUSE CRUNCH—Recalled John Badduke, left wing, from Wheeling of the ECHL.

International Hockey League

HOUSTON AEROS—Sent Graeme Townshend, right wing, on loan to Minnesota.

INDIANAPOLIS ICE—Assigned Ryan Petz, center, to Columbus of the ECHL.

LAS VEGAS THUNDER—Signed Curtis Joseph, goaltender.

Colonial Hockey League

THUNDER BAY SENATORS—Acquired Bruce Ramsay, left wing, on loan from Milwaukee of the IHL. Signed Gary Kitching, center.

COLLEGE

NCAA—Announced that California will lose two of the 12 official recruiting visits allowed the men's basketball program in 1995-96 for a minor violation in the recruitment of Shareef Abdur-Rahim. Announced that Richard Dice, Arizona junior wide receiver, will be suspended for one game for accepting a telephone debit card from an agent.

BIG WEST CONFERENCE—Announced that Jermaine Webster and Quincy Sanders of UNLV and Juan Givens and Avery Cummings of Nevada-Reno have been suspended for one game for instigating several altercations during and after Saturday's game.

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL—Announced the resignation of Bill Jenkins, men's golf coach.

Fishing Report

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Nov. 1:

WEST

ARROWHEAD: Water clear, normal level, 68 degrees, black bass are slow, white bass are slow to fair on minnows and slabs, crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished around boat docks, catfish are fair on shrimp and night crawlers.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear, 5 feet low, 68 degrees, black bass are slow, hybrid stripers are fair by trolling and downrigging, crappie are fair on minnows, catfish are fair to good on liver and cut bait.

GRANBURY: Water clear, normal level, 76 degrees, black bass to 6 pounds are good on topwater lures fished in 2 to 12 feet of water, striped bass up to 12 pounds are fair on large slabs with a trailer fished in 12 to 30 feet of water, white bass are good on small spoons and white jigs fished around the sandy points in the early mornings, crappie are good on minnows fished in 20 feet of water around the trees early in the morning, catfish are good on cheese bait fished over baited holes.

GREENBELT: Water clear, 10 feet low, 69 degrees, black bass are slow to fair on crank baits, white bass are good on slabs fished in 10 to 15 feet of water, crappie are good on minnows and jigs fished in 10 feet of water around brush and boat docks, catfish are fair to good on chicken liver, walleye are fair to good on Bottom Bouncers with a nightcrawler trailer fished around the dam.

OAK CREEK: Water clear, 6 feet 3 inches low, 68 degrees, black bass are fair and small, white bass are fair by trolling in the creek channels at night, crappie are good on minnows fished in 18 to 25 feet of water, catfish are good on chicken liver.

O.H. IVIE: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries, lake level 1550.72, 67 degrees, black bass are slow on worms, crank baits and spinners, smallmouth are slow on crank baits and spinners, white bass are slow, crappie are good on minnows fished in 10 to 30 feet of water on the main lake, river channels and brush areas at night, channel and blue catfish are good on rod and reels and trotlines fished around Mid-Way and the Concho River, yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live bait, no report for walleye.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear, normal level, 72 degrees, black bass up to 4 pounds are fair on small Fire Tiger crank baits fished in the Cedar Creek area, striped bass are fair on live bait fished in 25 to 30 feet of water in the creek channels, white bass are slow, crappie are slow with some caught on minnows and jigs fished in 6 feet of water in the Cedar Creek area, catfish are fair on juglines baited with cut perch.

PROCTOR: Water murky, lake full, 68 degrees, black bass are good on crank baits and worms fished off of the points, crappie are slow on minnows fished in fairly deep water, channel catfish are good on shad and night crawlers, yellow catfish are good on live perch.

SPENCE: Water clear, low, 70 degrees, black bass to 4 1/2 pounds are fair on crank baits, striped bass up to 18 pounds are good on live shad fished in deep water, catfish are fair on shrimp, night crawlers and cut bait, no report for crappie.

TWIN BUTTES: Water clear, low, 70 degrees, black bass up to 5 pounds are fair on crank baits and spinners fished near the dam, crappie are slow to fair on minnows and jigs, catfish are fair on chicken liver.

WHITE RIVER: Water clear, 15 feet low, 76 degrees, black bass up to 6 1/4 pounds are good on minnows, crappie are slow, blue catfish up to 26 pounds are good on large bass minnows.

CENTRAL

BASTROP: Water fairly clear, 70 degrees, black bass are fair on spinners and crank baits, crappie are fair on minnows and jigs, catfish are fair to good on Mike King's Punch Bait.

BELTON: Water clear, normal level, 70 degrees, black bass are fair on Pop Rs and spinner baits, hybrid stripers are fair on jigging spoons and slabs, crappie are fair on minnows and flea flies fished in 10 to 15 feet of water, catfish are fair by drifting minnows, shad and prepared bait.

BROWNWOOD: Water murky, 1 1/2 below spillway, 68 degrees, black bass to 7 1/2 pounds are good on spinner baits, hybrid stripers and white bass are schooling and taking silver spoons and Texas Trailers, crappie are slow on minnows and jigs, catfish up to 22 pounds are good on trotlines baited with live perch and shad.

BUCHANAN: Water clear, 4 feet low, 68 degrees, black bass are good on spinner baits and topwaters early and on worms fished later in the day, striped bass are fair to good by downrigging and live bait, white bass are schooling around the back ends of the sloughs, crappie are good on minnows fished off of the docks, catfish are fair to good on trotlines baited with shad and perch.

COLORADO BEND: Water fairly clear, 3 feet low, 69 degrees, catfish are fair to good on shrimp and night crawlers.

DECKER: Water clear, normal level, 75 degrees, black bass are slow to fair, hybrid stripers are fair to good on slabs, catfish are fair to good on shrimp, cut bait and night crawlers.

FAYETTE: Water clear, 1 foot low, 74 degrees, black bass up to 6 1/2 pounds are very good on topwaters early and on live water dogs fished in 6 to 10 feet of water on the outside edge of the grass, catfish are fair on live minnows and water dogs.

GIBBONS CREEK: Water clear, 1 foot low, 67 degrees, black bass are good on Slug-gos, spinners and crank baits fished in the back of the creeks, crappie are slow, catfish up to 17 pounds are good on rod and reels and juglines baited with perch.

LBJ: Water clear, 2 1/2 feet low, black bass are good on Rapalas and Rat-L-Traps, white bass are fair on Rat-L-Traps, crappie are good on minnows fished over the brush piles, catfish are good on Mr. Whisker's Cheese Bait fished over baited holes.

NAVARRO MILLS: Water murky, 1 foot low, 70 degrees, black bass are slow, white bass are slow, crappie are fair on minnows fished near the dam, catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad.

SOMERVILLE: Water clear, slightly below normal level, 75 degrees, crappie are fair on minnows, catfish are fair on shrimp, night crawlers and dough bait, all other fishing is slow.

SQUAW CREEK: Water clear, normal level, 87 degrees, black bass are good on spinner baits, worms and shrimp, smallmouth are fair on spinner baits, crappie are slow, catfish are good on Mr. Whisker's Cheese Bait.

STILLHOUSE: Water clear, 3 feet low, 68 degrees, black bass are good, white bass are slow, crappie are slow on minnows, catfish are very good on chicken liver.

TRAVIS: Water clear, 10 feet low, 73 degrees, black bass up to 5 1/2 pounds are very good on plastic grubs, spinner baits and topwater lures, striped bass are spotty, white bass are slow, crappie are fair on small minnows fished in 20 feet of water around boat docks, catfish are slow.

WACO: Water muddy, 1 foot low, 72 degrees, black bass to 6 pounds are slow on spinner baits and jigs, white bass are fair on slabs and small jigs fished on the main lake, crappie are slow on minnows, catfish are fair on worms.

WHITNEY: Water stained, 1 foot 10 inches low, 70 degrees, black bass are slow to fair, striped bass are fair, white bass are fair, crappie are slow, catfish are fair.

COASTAL

GALVESTON: Redfish are fair to good on live shrimp, mullet and crab fished in the surf and in the bay, trout are fair to good on Mirrolures fished in the bay and surf, black drum are fair to good on crab fished in the surf, flounder are good on live mud minnows and finger mullet fished along the passes and inlets, live bait is scarce.

FREEPORT: Redfish are fair to good, trout are fair on live shrimp and artificials, black drum are fair on crab and dead shrimp, flounder are good on live mud minnows and mullet, live bait is scarce.

ROCKPORT: Redfish are fair on mullet and shrimp fished in the surf, trout are slow, flounder are fair on mud minnows and by gigging, offshore conditions are rough, live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

PORT ARANSAS: Redfish are fair to good on mullet, trout are fair to good on live shrimp, finger mullet and mud minnows, black drum are fair on crab and dead shrimp, flounder are fair, offshore conditions are rough, live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

CORPUS CHRISTI: Redfish are fair to good on live shrimp, trout are fair on live shrimp fished at the Port Aransas jetties, black drum are fair to good on live and dead shrimp fished in Shamrock Cove and Dead Man's Hole, offshore fishing has been good for snapper when the weather is permissible, live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

SOUTH PADRE: Redfish are fair to good on live shrimp and crab, trout are slow, whiting are fair on shrimp and cut bait, blacktip and bull shark are fair to good on cut bait, live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

Paris Open

PARIS (AP) — Results Wednesday of the $2.25 million Paris Open tennis tournament:

Singles

Second Round

Richard Krajicek (12), Netherlands, def. Cedric Pioline, France, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Magnus Larsson (11), Sweden, def. Mark Woodforde, Australia, 3-6, 7-6 (10-8), 6-0.

Jim Courier (6), Miami, def. Jacco Eltingh, Netherlands, 6-1, 6-7 (2-7), 6-2.

Daniel Vacek, Czech Republic, def. Andrea Gaudenzi (15), Italy, 6-4, 6-3.

Andrei Medvedev (13), Ukraine, def. MaliVai Washington, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., 6-4, 6-4.

Sergi Bruguera (8), Spain, def. Henri Leconte, France, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

Paul Haarhuis, Netherlands, def. Goran Ivanisevic (5), Croatia, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

Pete Sampras (1), Tampa, Fla., def. Arnaud Boetsch, France, 6-3, 6-4.

Sampras, Courier advance to Paris Open third round

The Associated Press

PARIS — Pete Sampras, about to regain his No. 1 ranking, and Jim Courier, another former No. 1, advanced to the third round of the Paris Open indoor tournament with victories Wednesday.

Sampras beat Frenchman Arnaud Boetsch, 6-3, 6-4. Courier, a two-time French Open winner, had a 6-1, 6-7 (2-7), 6-2, victory over Dutchman Jacco Eltingh.

Courier advanced to a Thursday match against Magnus Larsson of Sweden, who scored a 3-6, 7-6 (10-8), 6-0 victory Mark Woodforde of Australia.

Goran Ivanisevic became the highest seed to lose in his opening match as Dutchman Paul Haarhuis upset the fifth-seeded Croatioan, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4. Ivanisevic won the Paris Open in 1993.

In other second-round matches, Andrei Medvedev of Ukraine, who lost to Ivanisevic in the final two years ago, defeated MaliVai Washington, 6-4, 6-4. Washington lost in the Eurocard Open final in Essen, Germany, on Sunday to Thomas Muster.

Sergi Bruguera, seeded eighth, downed French favorite Henri Leconte, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

Leconte, the oldest player in the draw at 32, was cheered on by a capacity crowd that clapped, stomped and did the wave to encourage Leconte.

The crowd continued its cheers even after the match as Leconte covered his head with a towel, sobbing.

"I love tennis. I love the show. And people send it back to me and I really have fun on the court," Leconte said.



AP Laserphoto

Pete Sampras volleys the ball to Arnaud Boetsch of France in the second round of the Paris Open. Sampras won 6-3, 6-4.

Sampras will regain the No. 1 ranking in tennis next Monday no matter what he does but lose it the following week heading into the ATP finals, where he is defending champion.

"I've got to be very happy with the year I have had, winning two majors around. Sure it would be great to end the year No. 1. It would be on the icing on the cake," Sampras said.

He used one service break in each set to get past Boetsch, now the highest-ranked French player at No. 16.

"I knew going into the match, I wanted to get off to a good start and try to put the crowd out of the match. And I did a pretty good job of that," Sampras said. "With the Leconte match, there was a lot of emotion there, I went out and got off to a great start and played pretty well."

Andre Agassi, currently ranked No. 1, won the Paris tournament last year but a recurrence of his chest-muscle injury last week at Essen, forced him to withdraw from the event. As a result, he will lose those ATP ranking points, allowing Sampras to move up from the second spot.

Agassi, injured Michael Stich and Yevgeny Kafelnikov are missing from the top 15 players in the world in the Paris tournament.

More Sports/6C

Mourning misses practice, as trade rumors grow

N.Y. Times News Service

Alonzo Mourning failed to attend one of the Charlotte Hornets' practices in Fort Mill, S.C., Wednesday, intensifying speculation that he will soon be traded.

Charlotte is considering trading its 25-year-old all-star center because the Hornets have decided they will not pay what Mourning wants — a seven-year contract for about $13 million a year, with an escape clause after four seasons. A meeting last week left the two sides far apart, with the Hornets reportedly offering a seven-year contract for $10 million a season.

Under terms of the new collective bargaining agreement, teams are no longer able to offer players under contract lucrative balloon payments like the one signed four years ago that will earn Patrick Ewing more than $18 million this season from the Knicks. Now, players under contract cannot be offered an extension that exceeds 20 percent of the final year of their contract.

Amid these conditions, Mourning is just one of many big-name players who can become free agents after this season, a list that includes Michael Jordan, Shaquille O'Neal, Reggie Miller, Dikembe Mutombo, Kenny Anderson, Juwan Howard and Horace Grant.

All are likely to be offered huge contracts by their present teams. But that may not prevent some of them from moving, and Mourning may be the first to switch uniforms.

David Falk, Mourning's attorney, said Wednesday that he was willing to help Charlotte's owner, George Shinn, work out a deal.

"George and I did that a few years ago when Rex Chapman was traded to Washington," Falk said by telephone. "I want to make it clear that Alonzo is not making trade demands. He would love to play in Charlotte. But if the kind of agreement it will take doesn't fit into Charlotte's comfort level, then we're willing to cooperate in an effort to allow all of us to come out of this situation in the best way possible. Once the trade deadline passes, Charlotte will not be in position to do that."

NFL Injuries

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Football League injury report for Week 10 as provided by the league:

Sunday

BUFFALO AT IDIANAPOLIS — Bills: DE James Patton (hip), WR Andre Reed (hamstring) are out. RB Thurman Thomas (hamstring) is doubtful. WR Justin Armour (ankle), LB Cornelius Bennet (shoulder), LB Monty Brown (quadricep), CB Jeff Burris (ankle), WR Russel Copeland (neck) are questionable. S Henry Jones (shoulder), T Glenn Parker (ankle), CB Thomas Smith are probable. Colts: G Eric Mahlum (knee) is out. RB Lamont Warren (thigh) is doubtful. CB Conrad Clarks (hamstring), QB Jim Harbaugh (groin), TE Marcus Pollard (shoulder) are questionable. LB Jeff Herrod (foot), WR Bobby Olive (thigh), WR Floyd Turner (hamstring) are probable.

HOUSTON AT CLEVELAND — Oilers: TE Michael Roan (shoulder), S Marcus Robertson (knee), TE Jim Thornton (eye) are out. RB Gary Brown (knee), DT Ray Childress (shoulder), LB Lamanski Hall (hamstring), T David Williams (back), CB Steve Jackson (hamstring) are questionable. Browns: S Bennie Thompson (elbow-wrist), S Eric Turner (back) are out. WR Derrick Alexander (leg), WR Michael Jackson (groin), WR Keenan McCardell (knee), Rob Burnett (thigh) are questionable.

MIAMI AT SAN DIEGO — Dolphins: CB Calvin Jackson (calf) is doubtful. TE Eric Green (knee) and RB Irving Spikes (back) are questionable. Chargers: CB Darien Gordon (shoulder) is out.

DETROIT AT ATLANTA — Lions: TE Ron Hall (leg), RB Eric Lynch (foot) are out. Falcons: DE Lester Archambeau (neck), DT Pierce Holt (knee), DE Chuck Smith (toe) are questionable.

GREEN BAY AT MINNESOTA — Packers: CB Keith Crawford (knee), DT Gabe Wilkins (knee) are out. WR Charles Jordan (knee) is questionable. CB Doug Evans (ankle) is probable. Vikings: LB Jack Del Rio (knee) is questionable. G Chris Hinton (shoulder), RB Robert Smith (ankle) are probable.

ST. LOUIS AT NEW ORLEANS — Saints: T Richard Cooper (elbow), G Chris Port (neck) are out. DE Joe Johnson (ankle), LB Winfred Tubbs (thigh) are questionable. RB Mario Bates (ankle), WR Michael Haynes (toe), S Sean Lumpkin (groin), T Craig Novitsky (back), WR Torrance Small (back) are probable. Rams: WR Alexander Wright (back) is out. RB Jerome Bettis (foot) is questionable. S Torin Dorn (knee), RB Leonard Russell (toe) are probable.

PITTSBURGH AT CHICAGO — Bears: TE Chris Gedney (colitis), RB Raymont Harris (collarbone) are out. DE Al Fontenot (shoulder) is questionable. Steelers: WR Johnnie Barnes (knee), T John Jackson (knee), CB Rod Woodson (knee) are out. LB Chad Brown (knee), RB Bam Morris (back) are questionable. CB Randy Fuller (knee), DT Oliver Gibson (hand), WR Ernie Mills (hip), G Tom Newberry (toe), CB Chris Oldham (quadricep), S Darren Perry (toe) are probable.

ARIZONA AT DENVER — Cardinals: CB Patrick Hunter (knee) is doubtful. CB Brent Alexander (shoulder), RB Mark Higgs (groin), WR Rob Moore (ankle) are probable. Broncos: DT Shane Dronett (knee), S Tim Hauck (calf), WR Vance Johnson (hamstring), WR Mike Pritchard (knee), DE Dan Williams (knee) are probable.

NEW ENGLAND AT NEW YORK JETS — Patriots: DE Tim Roberts (knee) is doubtful. S Eddie Cade (hamstring) and CB Ty Law (hip) are questionable. WR Vincent Brisby (hand) is probable. Jets: DE Donald Evans (ankle), T Siupeli Malamala (knee) ans S Marcus Turner (concussion) are out. S Ron Carpenter (groin) and CB Otis Smith (ankle) are questionable. QB Bubby Brister (knee), C Cal Dixon (back), QB Boomer Esiason (concussion) and T Everett Melver (concussion) are probable.

OAKLAND AT CINCINNATI — Raiders: DE Nolan Harrison (back), T Gerald Perry (arm) are out. S Eddie Anderson (hamstring) is doubtful. LB Mike Morton (ankle) and CB James Trapp (knee) are questionable. S Derrick Hoskins (groin), QB Jeff Hostetler (throat) and CB Albert Lewis (thigh) are probable. Bengals: CB Mike Brim (back) and G Bruce Kozerski (ankle) are out. G Scott Brumfield (groin) and WR Darney Scott (ankle) are questionable. LB Kevin Jefferson (neck), CB Rod Jones (groin) and TE Derek Ware (knee) are probable.

CAROLINA AT SAN FRANCISCO — Panthers: T Derrick Graham (knee) is out. LB Brett Faryniarz (foot) is questionable. RB Bob Christian (ankle) and WR Eric Guliford (concussion) are probable. 49ers: G Derrick Deese (ankle) and WR Nate Singleton (clavical) are out. TE Brent Jones (knee) is doubtful. QB Steve Young (shoulder) is questionable. TE Brett Carolan (hamstring), LB Antonio Goss (knee), CB Marquez Pope (thigh) and DT Bryant Young (ankle) are probable.

NEW YORK GIANTS AT SEATTLE — Giants: S Maurice Douglass (knee) is out. QB Dave Brown (knee), TE Howard Cross (knee) and WR Thomas Lewis (foot) are questionable. Seahawks: DE Michael McCrary (knee) is out. QB John Friesz (shoulder) is doubtful. S Rafael Robinson (hip) is questionable. S Jay Bellamy (thigh), LB Duane Bickett (groin), S Robert Blackmon (hamstring) and LB Dean Wells (thumb) are probable.

WASHINGTON AT KANSAS CITY — Chiefs: DE Darren Mickell (shoulder) is doubtful. CB Jay Taylor (calf) is questionable. RB Marcus Allen (ankle), RB Donnell Bennett (knee) and WR Tamarick Vanover (hamstring) are probable. Redskins: WR Henry Ellard (hamstring), C Cory Raymer (ankle) and WR Michael Westbrook (knee) are out. DT Marc Boutte (shoulder), DT William Gaines (ankle), C John Gesek (elbow), G Tre Johnson (ankle), RB Marc Logan (foot), G Vernice Smith (knee) and S James Washington (groin) are probable.

Monday

PHILADELPHIA AT DALLAS — Cowboys: DT Russell Maryland (knee) is questionable. QB Troy Aikman (calf), LB Dixon Edwards (pectoral), DE Charles Haley (back), CB Clayton Holmes (groin), RB Daryl Johnston (groin), DT Leon Lett (biceps), S Brock Marion (thumb), CB Deion Sanders (hamstring), RB Emmitt Smith (shoulder), DE Tony Tolbert (knee), T Mark Tuinei (back), S Charlie Williams (ankle), T Erik Williams (calf), and WR Kevin Williams (quadricep) are probable. Eagles: DT Rhett Hall (lungs) and T Lester Holmes (knee) are out. WR Fred Barnett (thigh) is questionable.

Buck Showalter sets interviews with Tigers, A's

NEW YORK (AP) — The Detroit Tigers and Oakland Athletics have set up interviews this weekend with Buck Showalter about their vacant managing jobs, The New York Times reported Thursday.

Showalter's contract with the Yankees expired Wednesday. He failed to reach an agreement with the team after owner George Steinbrenner insisted two of Showalter's coaches be fired.

The Tigers are looking to replace Sparky Anderson, and general manager Randy Smith likely will speak with Showalter on Friday or Sunday in San Diego.

Oakland's managing job opened when Tony La Russa went to St. Louis. On Saturday, the Times said, Showalter is to meet with Athletics general manager Sandy Alderson in Oakland.

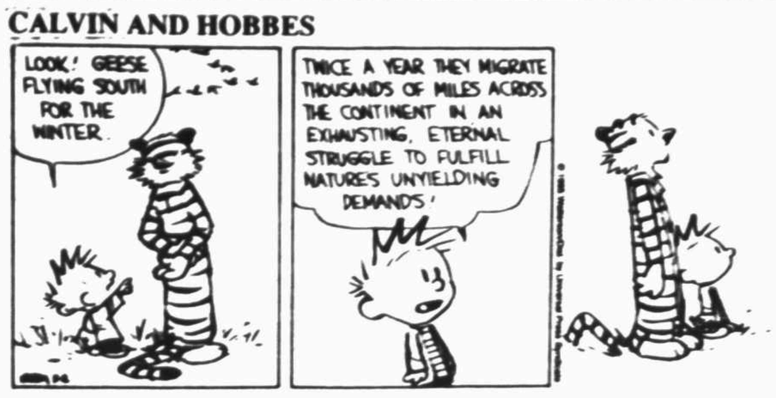
Eck signs

OAKLAND, Calif. — Dennis Eckersley, who moved into fourth place on the career saves list this past summer, will return to the Oakland Athletics next season.

The team agreed Wednesday to pick up the option year in Eckersley's contract, signed before this season. Eckersley will earn $2.25 million in 1996.

The contract, which paid Eckersley $2.

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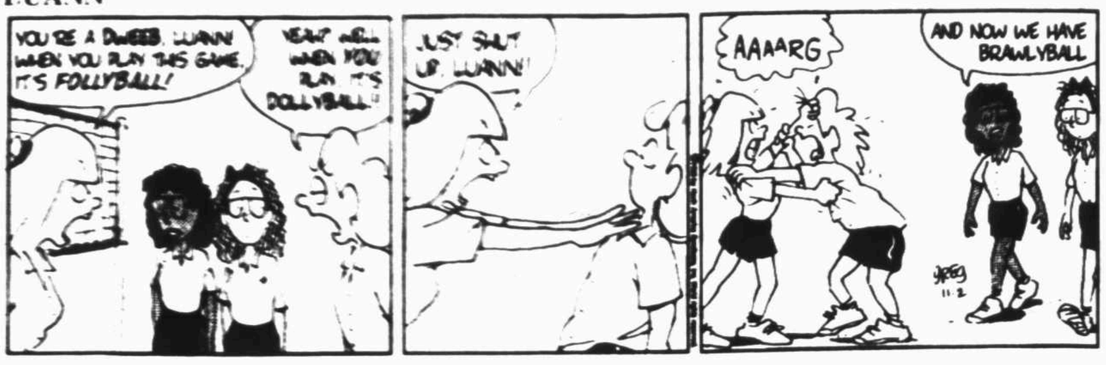
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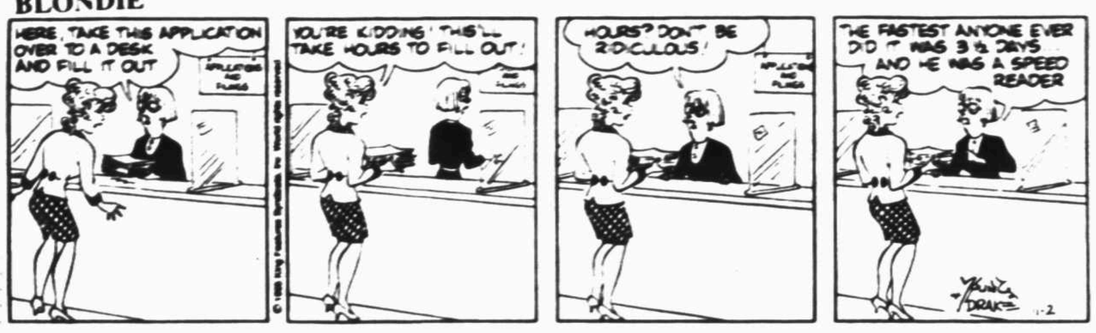
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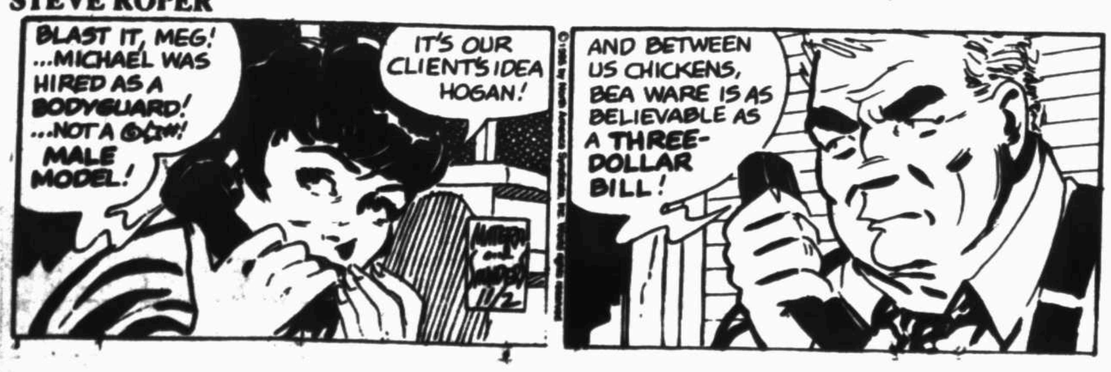
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By Jeane Dixon

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1995

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: You instinctively know what people want. Capitalizing on this special gift could make you a business tycoon! Once 1996 gets underway, go after that promotion or highly desirable leadership position. Your qualifications are every bit as good as a competitor's! Examine your own actions before blaming others for a faltering romantic relationship. Your loved one may have very different priorities. Let by-gones be by-gones.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: frontiersman Daniel Boone, actress Stefanie Powers, author Shere Hite, French queen Marie Antoinette.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Put away your credit cards and curtail any unnecessary spending. Good friends will not permit extravagance on their behalf. Excellent ideas roll in on the crest of your imagination.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Choose your companions and associates with care. Socialize with happy, constructive people whose goals mesh nicely with your own. Tact is vital when trying to persuade someone to change their methods.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Do not go off half-cocked just when previously-closed doors are about to open. Dedication to duty will pay handsome dividends. Take advantage of a last-minute change in plans. Invite friends over.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The spotlight swings your way. A warm, nurturing relationship lifts your spirits but makes a career decision even tougher. Continue to share the applause with those who have assisted your efforts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Use caution if asked to co-sign a loan for a needy friend. There are other ways you can help without jeopardizing your credit rating. A good listener is often considered a great conversationalist! Be attentive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Feeling frustrated? Good luck will help you surmount a barrier. You finally see the light at the end a financial tunnel. Do not reject a young person's ideas out of hand. They make good sense.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Visiting a bookstore or library will prove inspiring. Make friends with people who share your intellectual interests. A writing project moves into high gear. Self-improvement projects are favored.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A partnership situation comes into clearer focus. Minor scheduling changes boost productivity. Look for new ways to increase profits. A compromise helps mend a family rift.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Pour your energy into "top priority" projects. Spreading yourself too thin would be a mistake. Learn to delegate routine tasks. A conservative approach will work best in the world of finance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): An investment opportunity has you puzzled. Take the time to weigh all your options. A friend who owes you money may try to borrow more. Decline! Turning down a blind date prevents a wasted evening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Good news regarding a professional venture is reason to celebrate. A positive relationship with your co-workers could hasten career advancement. Someone offers you a special treat.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Take care of essential tasks before turning to a fascinating new project. A contract may be worthless unless it contains clauses that specifically protect your rights. Deal honestly with a parent-child problem.

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WHICH SUIT?

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 8 4
♡ 10 4 3
◇ A 10 6 2
♣ Q 7 6 3

WEST
♠ K Q J 9 5
♡ J 9 6 2
◇ 8 7 5
♣ 9

EAST
♠ 7 6 2
♡ K 8 7 5
◇ K 3
♣ J 10 8 2

SOUTH
♠ A 10 3
♡ A Q
◇ Q J 9 4
♣ A K 5 4

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: King of ♠

Follow the play of this hand. Can you improve on how South handled three no trump after the lead of the king of spades?

The auction was a straightforward example of the modern style of no-trump openings, with one no trump having a range of 15-17 and two no trump 20-22. North's raise to game was clear cut.

South held up the ace of spades until the third round, then ran the queen of diamonds to East's king. Back came a low heart. Since the contract was definitely going down if West gained the lead, declarer spurned the finesse in favor of the club split, surely the right decision mathematically. Unfortunately clubs were 4-1, so declarer had to be content with eight tricks — three in each minor suit and the major-suit aces.

Was declarer merely the victim of bad luck, or was there a better way to tackle the play?

By and large, declarer did well. However, a little adjustment in the timing would have pointed the way to the winning line. Holding up the ace of spades was correct, but before taking the diamond finesse declarer should have tested the clubs.

After winning the ace of spades, declarer should cash the queen and king of clubs. Revelation of the 4-1 split means that only eight tricks are available if the diamond finesse is going to fail. When the queen of diamonds loses to the king and a heart is returned, the only way declarer can come to nine tricks is with a successful heart finesse. So South must insert the queen, and proper play earns its just reward.

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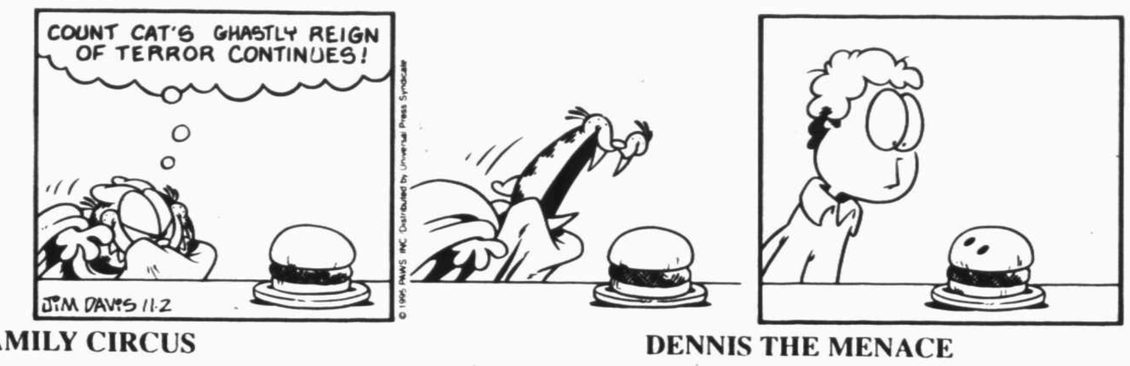


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TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

THURSDAY EVENING November 2, 1995 *For complete information check movie listings.*

Broadcast	O	C	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	News 73	Wheel of Fortune	[illegible]				Murder One: Chapter Six 8463		News 35685	Cheers 11005	Roseanne 1444	Nightline 63869
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(7) KOSA	7	7	News 2685	Entertainment Ton.	Murder, She Wrote (Part 1 of 2) 30666		New York News: A Question of Truth 49314		48 Hours: Ready ... Aim ... Fire 29550		News 5585591	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
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Barbieri, in ABC interview, says her relationship with O.J. is over

LOS ANGELES — **Paula Barbieri** stayed celibate and waited for **O.J. Simpson** during his murder trial, but now the relationship is over, she said in an ABC interview that aired Wednesday.



Paula Barbieri says she, O.J. Simpson are finished.

When Simpson called her from a cellular phone in his car on his way home after his Oct. 3 acquittal, she still had faith that they could be together, Barbieri told "PrimeTime Live." But Simpson later suggested they pose for pictures together and get paid for it.

"Rather than a quiet, 'Let's get back to who you and I are, and let's get to know each other again on a different level,' ... it was a realization for me that he was going to that lifestyle. He was going to live there in that lifestyle that he used to have," Barbieri said.

Barbieri, 28, refused to say how she told Simpson their three-year relationship was over: "I think that's really private."

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DENVER — **Jane Fonda** has done more for coat sales than a midwinter blizzard.

"The phone has been ringing off the hook," said designer **Joyce Onarheim Boe**, who made the lamb's wool coat Fonda wore during three of the six World Series games. TV cameras frequently zeroed in on Fonda and her husband, **Ted Turner**, the media mogul and Atlanta Braves owner.

Fonda's black-and-white coat was emblazoned with a buffalo. Boe, a retired middle-school teacher, worked with her staff of seamstresses to create the fashions in the kitchen of her home.

"Even the weaver out East saw Jane Fonda wearing the coat and was so excited when he called," Boe said. "It's going to be a wonderful boost for business."

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NEW YORK — Talk show host **Ricki Lake** pleaded guilty Wednesday to ransacking the Fifth Avenue offices of designer **Karl Lagerfeld** in an anti-fur protest and agreed to four days of community service at an AIDS charity.

Her husband, **Robert Sussman**, 29, pleaded guilty to the same charge, disorderly conduct.

The 27-year-old Lake and her husband will work for God's Love We Deliver, which provides meals to AIDS sufferers. She said she and Sussman wanted to work for God's Love because "they do so much good for so many people."



Ricki Lake pleads guilty to trashing offices.

Lake and Sussman joined nine members of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals in a 1994 protest against Lagerfeld's fur fashions. Prosecutors said the group caused at least $1,000 worth of damage.

Lake said she is still anti-fur but is unsure whether she would join a similar protest again.

The other protesters pleaded guilty earlier and agreed to perform community service.

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LOS ANGELES — Two Beverly Hills High School drama students who made it big reminisced about their not-so-glamorous teen years.

"Friends" star **David Schwimmer** visited pal **Jonathan "The Single Guy" Silverman** on the set of his NBC show and recalled their fledgling acting days and their meeting on the first day of school.

"All the girls thought Johnny was cute. I was chubby. We both were short," Schwimmer told "Entertainment Tonight" in an interview broadcast Tuesday. "We had an amazing drama department, but we really bonded in P.E. class, playing pickup football. We were short, wide receivers."

Silverman recalled that as freshmen, the two performed together in "West Side Story."

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PHILLIPS, Maine — When 14-year-old **Maggie Nerney** needed help with a school science report, she went right to the top. She called Nobel Prize-winning chemist **Mario Molina.**

"He was very nice," Maggie said. "He wanted to make sure I understood what he was telling me."

Maggie, a student at Phillips Middle School, spoke to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor on Oct. 18.

Molina and two other scientists won the Nobel on Oct. 11 for their work warning that gases once used in spray cans and other items are eating away Earth's ozone layer.

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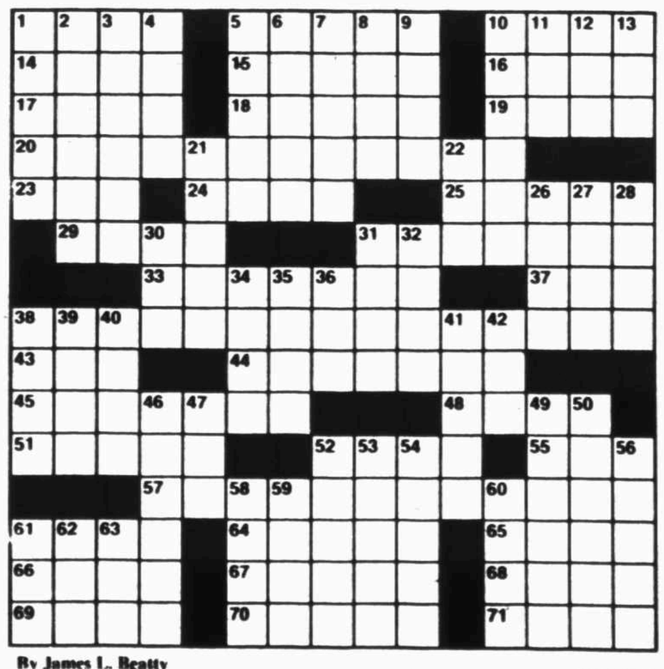
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Davis gets four-game suspension for accepting benefits from agent

The Associated Press

DALLAS — The NCAA suspended star TCU running back Andre Davis for four games on Wednesday for accepting illegal benefits from an agent through his former roommate.

Meanwhile, the Texas Secretary of State's Office is investigating the matter to see if the agent violated state law.

"Were definitely making inquiries trying to determine what the facts are," said Guy Joyner, a spokesman for the Secretary of State's office, which regulates sports agents in Texas.

Texas Christian immediately appealed Wednesday's decision to the NCAA's eligibility committee, athletic director Frank Windegger said.

The college has said it "has reason to think that Davis was not aware that these actions were rules violations" and wants the NCAA restore his eligibility.

The eligibility committee will hear the school's appeal on Thursday.

If the suspension holds, Davis will not play Saturday against Southern Methodist or Nov. 11 at Texas Tech. TCU held Davis out the Oct. 21 game against Tulane; he was suspended for last Saturday's game against Baylor.

Carrie Doyle, a spokeswoman for the NCAA in Overland Park, Kan., said the eligibility committee is made up of representatives from schools and athletic conferences across the nation.

The appeal will be heard at 11 a.m. Thursday during a telephone conference call, after which the committee will deliberate and issue a ruling.

"It takes them anywhere between 15 minutes and 60 minutes to deliberate and it's done," Ms. Doyle said.

The NCAA has obtained documents showing that Houston lawyer Jeffrey Newport bought disability insurance last December for Davis, Jackson State's Greg Spann and Jimmy Oliver, Davis' former roommate and a former TCU receiver.

A check for $5,940 was drawn Dec. 29, 1994, on Newport's account and made payable to Pro Financial Services of Schaumburg, Ill., the chief U.S. correspondent for Lloyd's of London.

In addition, Davis allegedly received clothing and use of a hotel room through Oliver, Windegger said.

"No matter how you look at it, the agent was kind of the bookkeeper for Jimmy's money," Windegger said.

The NCAA says the benefits were given to Davis based on the expectation that they would be repaid when he signed a contrac t with an NFL team, which is a violation of NCAA rules.

"It was money coming from Oliver to Davis, but it was a loan or an advance from the agent," Ms. Doyle said.

Newport did not immediately return a telephone call to his office Thursday from The Associated Press.

Newport was registered as an agent through Slocum/Newport and Associates of Houston from Feb. 23, 1994, to Feb. 23, 1995, Joyner said.

Under a 1987 law, sports agents must register with the Texas Secretary of State and pay a $1,000 registration fee each year, Joyner said.

Failing to register or violating rules that limit contact agents have with athletes can result in an administrative penalty up to $25,000 or the filing of Class A misdemeanor criminal charges, Joyner said.

A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by up to a year in jail and/or a $4,000 fine, said Ward Tisdale, a spokesman for Texas Attorney General Dan Morales.

Texas Christian also is scheduled to play Texas on Nov. 18 and Texas A&M on Nov. 25.

NFL and players' union settles Sanders' contract

■ Settlement will allow Deion to play rest of the season.

More Sports/10C

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The NFL and the players' union settled Deion Sanders' contract Thursday, allowing the star cornerback to play for the rest of the season and removing the dispute from the courts.

In a matter that again pitted Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones against the NFL, the team will now be charged an additional $1.6 million against their salary cap over the next four years.

But the settlement also charges the Cowboys far more under the cap — as much as $6.2 million — if it cuts Sanders in 1998, something many believed would happen.

Dallas owner Jerry Jones said the club would have no immediate reaction until "we can understand all the ramifications of it. We need a thorough evaluation before we respond to it."

"We have not had a chance to see the written details and how detailed the total agreement is," Jones said. "One thing is clear. It will have no impact on our 1995 cap or our roster. We do not have to concern ourselves with 1995. We are pleased about that. There is no sense of urgency to respond now."

The Cowboys could still appeal, but Jones said "we're taking this thing in real good faith. We may not have to appeal. I don't want anyone to think we have agreed to this."

Gene Upshaw, executive director of the NFL Players Association, called it "a good deal for everyone." And Harold Henderson, the chairman of the league's management council, called it a "constructive outcome in all respect."

The agreement prohibits the Cowboys from cutting any player on their active roster to make cap room this season. It also increases the minimum salary for five-year players from $178,000 to at least $250,000 next season.

Sanders played his first game for Dallas last Sunday with one-week permission from the league while the dispute was settled. He signed with Dallas last month for $35 million over seven years.

But the NFL told the Cowboys the contract would have to be renegotiated because of the heavy emphasis on signing bonus over salary — Sanders got a $13 million bonus but his salary for this year and the next two is only the minimum $178,000 per season.

The union, which originally sided with Jones, insisted the deal contain the clause prohibiting the Cowboys to cut a player to make room for Sanders if the league insisted that more money be counted against the cap. There had been speculation one of the players in jeopardy might be starting defensive tackle Russell Maryland because of his high salary.

If the Cowboys do not have $411,000 — the exact figure — in cap room this year, they will be charged an additional $800,000 against the cap in 1996. But because of an expected increase in revenue, the cap should be substantially higher than the current $37.1 million this year — it went up about $2.5 million after last season.

The new agreement sets a specific ratio of signing bonus to base salary that will be used in all new contracts to avoid the large discrepancy presented by Sanders' deal.

Doug Allen, the union's assistant executive director, said only one other player besides Sanders is affected — kicker Pete Stoyanovich of Miami. But Allen said the discrepancy in that contract is only about $25,000.

And Allen noted quarterback Drew Bledsoe's new $42 million, seven-year deal with New England is not affected.

The major problem for the Cowboys could come in the latter years of the deal. In 1998, the last capped year, Sanders, who will be 31 then, is scheduled to be paid $5.25 million.

Under the new agreement, if he is cut by the Cowboys, as many club and league executives believed he would be, Dallas would still be charged under the cap for $1.857 million in signing bonus that season plus $3.9 million in bonus money for the next three years and the $411,000 from the current settlement.

That works out to $6.2 million in cap charges for 1998 if Sanders doesn't play for Dallas and $7.25 million if he does.

Virginia's season just got a little worse with Florida State next on the schedule

The Associated Press

Poor Virginia.

The Cavaliers, who have lost two games on the final play this season, now face the unenviable task of playing a second-ranked Florida State team that will be out to prove something Thursday night in Charlottesville.

After being ranked No. 1 all season, the Seminoles were bumped from the top spot Sunday by Nebraska.

The slip wasn't Florida State's fault. The Seminoles just had the misfortune of not playing Saturday, while Nebraska was impressing poll voters with a 44-21 victory over No. 10 Colorado.

And that's bad news for No. 24 Virginia (6-3), which already has had its share of bad luck. The Cavaliers' three defeats have come by a total of seven points, including one-point losses to Michigan and Texas on the final play.

It won't get any easier against Florida State. The Seminoles are 29-0 against Atlantic Coast Conference opponents since joining the league and are beating ACC foes by an average of 42.8 points this year.

The Cavaliers (plus 18 1/2) can only hope the Seminoles are in a charitable mood. ... FLORIDA ST. 42-17.

SATURDAY

Iowa St. (plus 40) at No. 1 Nebraska
Lawrence Phillips returns for Huskers ... NEBRASKA 55-14.

Northern Illinois (plus 49) at No. 3 Florida
Gators 7-0 for first time since 1966 ... FLORIDA 62-10.

No. 4 Ohio St. (minus 23) at Minnesota
Buckeyes looked awesome against Iowa last week ... OHIO ST. 45-14.

Southern Mississippi (plus 26) at No. 5 Tennessee
Vols have won 11 straight non-conference home games ... TENNESSEE 48-17.

No. 12 Penn St. (minus 5) at No. 6 Northwestern
Nittany Lions have won 20 in a row on artificial turf ... PENN ST. 27-24.

No. 7 Michigan (minus 13) at Michigan St.
Wolverines giving up only 78 rushing yards per game ... MICHIGAN 34-17.

Navy (plus 29) at No. 8 Notre Dame
Irish have won 31 straight over Midshipmen ... NOTRE DAME 42-14.

No. 25 Oklahoma (plus 6) at No. 9 Kansas St.
Wildcats beat Sooners for third consecutive time ... KANSAS ST. 28-14.

No. 10 Colorado (minus 24) at Oklahoma St.
Buffaloes have lost two of their last three games ... COLORADO 31-21.

Missouri (plus 20 1/2) at No. 11 Kansas
Jayhawks bounce back from loss to Kansas St. ... KANSAS 35-10.

No. 23 Texas Tech (plus 4) at No. 13 Texas
Red Raiders have won last two meetings ... TEXAS TECH 21-20.

Stanford (plus 14) at No. 14 Southern Cal
Stanford 4-0 on the road ... SOUTHERN CAL 28-10.

No. 19 Oregon (plus 3) at No. 15 Washington
Ducks haven't won in Seattle since 1980 ... WASHINGTON 27-21.

LSU (plus 4) at No. 16 Alabama
Tide has scored si defensive TDs this season ... ALABAMA 24-14.

Mississippi St. (plus 11 1/2) vs. No. 18 Arkansas at Little Rock
Razorbacks clinch SEC West title ... ARKANSAS 28-14.

No. 20 Syracuse (plus 6 1/2) at Virginia Tech
Winner has inside track to Big East's bowl alliance spot ... VIRGINIA TECH 17-14.

NE Louisiana (plus 37) at No. 21 Auburn
Tigers 5-4-1 in last 10 games ... AUBURN 38-7.

No. 22 UCLA (minus 6) at Arizona St.
Bruins 7-0-1 at Sun Devil Stadium ... UCLA 32-17.

Last week: 14-2 (straight); 7-10 (spread).
Season: 122-35 (straight); 78-74 (spread).

Young, 49'ers are unsure of Sunday status

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Steve Young says his sprained and bruised shoulder is getting better. However, he still doesn't know if he can play Sunday.

Young rejoined the San Francisco 49ers' practices for the first time since injuring his throwing shoulder in an Oct. 15 loss at Indianapolis. But Elvis Grbac, who has started the past two games in Young's place, took most of the practice snaps.

Young said his throws were limited in number and length under orders of team physician Dr. Michael Dillingham.

With last week's season-ending knee injury to fullback William Floyd and the loss of tight end Brent Jones for up to four weeks, Young said he did feel more pressure to return and he said he doesn't have to be 100 percent to come back.

"There's a percentage there where I can just go and play football and feel like I'm going to be effective and we'll try to get to that spot," Young said.

LOCAL SPORTS

MHS netters ranked 19th

The Midland High tennis team won't be making a trip to the team tennis playoffs this season, but the Bulldogs did win a match of major significance before the end of the season.

MHS upset San Angelo Central on the last week of the District 4-5A team tennis season to move into the Texas Tennis Coaches Association's Top 20 rankings. The Bulldogs moved into 19th position while San Angelo fell from the Top 20.

District 4-5A has three teams in the Top 20. Abilene Cooper is still ranked No. 1, a position held all year, and Abilene High finishes at No. 5. Both those teams will be in the regional team tennis tournament this weekend.

Because of the strength of District 4-5A in team tennis, a No. 19 ranking isn't good enough to get out of district play.

Class 5A State Tennis Rankings

Class 5A high school rankings issued Tuesday by the Texas Tennis Coaches Association:

1. Abilene Cooper; 2. El Paso Franklin. 3. Katy Taylor; 4. Plano;5. Abilene; 6. San Antonio Churchill; 7. Klein; 8. Sugar Land Clements; 9. Wichita Falls Rider; 10. San Antonio Clark.

11. Austin Westlake; 12. Round Rock Westwood; 13. Conroe McCullough; 14. Amarillo Tascosa; 15. Houston Clear Lake; 16. Lubbock Monterey; 17. A&M Consolidated; 18. Lubbock Coronado; 19. Midland High; 20. Plano East.

Alamo downs Abell football

Terry Segobin ran for two touchdowns and scored an extra point to lead Alamo over Abell 14-8 in eighth-grade football Wednesday. Segobin rushed for 140 yards.

Midland-Odessa Eighth-Grade Football
(Through Oct. 28)

Team	W	L	T
Abell	7	0	1
San Jacinto	7	1	0
Alamo	6	2	0
Bowie	4	3	1
Bonham	4	4	0
Crockett	4	4	0
Hood	4	4	0
Nimitz	2	6	0
Ector	1	7	0
Goddard	0	8	0

Midland-Odessa Freshman Football
(Through Oct. 28)

Team	W	L	T
Nimitz	8	0	0
Lee White	6	2	0
Crockett	4	1	3
Bowie	5	2	1
Lee Maroon	5	2	1
Midland White	4	4	0
Bonham	2	6	0
Midland Purple	2	6	0
Ector	1	7	0
Hood	0	8	0

MBT wins, Trinity players all-loop

Midland Baptist Temple won the state championship in the Texas Christian League recently but it season isn't stopping there. The volleyball team started its fall league Wednesday with a 15-2, 15-3 win over Abilene Christian. MBT is now 14-3 this year.

In other private school volleyball news Trinity had two players named to the TAPPS all-District 1 team. Making the first team was junior setter Kelly Hoose. Casey O'Neill, a sophomore, made the second team.

Goddard Black win v-ball

Goddard Black ran its record to 6-2 Wednesday with a 15-3, 15-9 win over Alamo Gray in eighth-grade volleyball. Gray's Lindsey Mills has three service points, Subia Gonzalez had 13 digs and Stephanie Ornales had four kills. In other eight-grade volleyball Alamo Red beat Goddard White 15-8, 11-15, 15-11 to finish the year 8-6. Erica Marentes (10) and Tiffany Ordonez (9) led the winners in service points scored.

TTA Exellence tourney set

The Texas Tennis Association will hold its Championship Excellence Invitational Tennis Tournament in Midland Saturday and Sunday at Midland Country Club and the Racquet Club.

The tournament is hosted by the Tennis Association of Midland (TAM) and sponsored by Odessa's Broncho Chevrolet-Geo-Buick-BMW. The Midland Hilton is the host hotel.

Play runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 8 a.m. to finish on Sunday. The tournament is a non-elimination event, and heavily weighted for state rankings.

It is an invitation event only with invitations extended to the top 30 boys and 30 girls in each age division, which includes age groups of 14, 16 and 18. Between 100 and 150 players are expected to participate.

Players qualified for the tournament through state rankings earned in major zone, sectionals and other tournaments.

Stallings runs X-country

Stanton's Jeremy Stallings helped the University of Florida to a fourth place finish in the SEC Cross Country Championship at Mississippi State on Monday.

Stallings ran the five-mile course in 25:41 and was the Gators No. 4 runner. Arkansas won the team title and was followed by Tennessee and Alabama.

Midlander in horse show

Midlander Jill Martin has qualified Decks Diplomat for the 1995 American Quarterhorse Association World Championship Show Nov. 5-18 in Oklahoma City, Okla. Martin's is one of more than 3,100 entries expected to compete at this invitational show, which features more than $1.2 million in prize money. Decks Diplomat will compete in the Amateur Western Horsemanship event.

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Prices rise

NEW YORK — Heating oil prices rallied Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange after a weekly inventory report showed a tightening of supplies.

The American Petroleum Institute reported after trading ended Tuesday that stocks of distillates, which include heating oil, fell 788,000 barrels to 129.78 million last week.

Traders had expected a gain in supplies, and when the API figures showed otherwise, concerns surfaced about the availability of heating oil as the winter season approaches.

The API figures also showed 1.69 million barrel drop in gasoline supplies to 196.69 million, while crude oil stocks rose 803,000 barrels to 301.75 million. Refineries increased production to 90.3 percent of capacity from 89.4 percent.

West Texas Intermediate for delivery in December rose 10 cents per barrel to $17.74. Unleaded gasoline for delivery in December rose 0.08 cent to 50.55 cents per gallon.

Natural gas prices fell. December contracts dropped 1.7 cent per 1,000 cubic feet to $1.849.

Dollar climbs

NEW YORK — With the specter of Canadian separatism lifted from the market, rumors of renewed Japanese investment in the United States lifted the dollar to a 6-week high against the yen on Wednesday.

The greenback also rose against other major currencies, particularly the German mark, as numerous political firestorms in Europe cooled.

In late New York trading, the dollar rose to 1.4265 German marks, up from 1.4082 late Monday. It also rose from 102.06 to 103.15 yen, its highest finish since hitting 104.67 on Sept. 20.

A lso calming down was the situation in Canada, where separatists lost the closest of votes Monday in their attempt to divorce Quebec from the rest of the nation. The U.S. dollar gained in trading against its northern counterpart.

In Mexico, the peso plunged to its lowest level against the dollar in nearly eight months.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Tuesday: 4.9035 French francs, up from 4.8810; 1.1390 Swiss francs, up from 1.1359; 1,595 Italian lire, up from 1,590; and 1.3500 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3447.

Sterling was quoted at $1.5790, down from $1.5805.

Markets gain

NEW YORK — Stocks ended moderately higher on Wednesday, as investors were unimpressed by gains in bonds and the dollar but concerned about conserving the year's winnings.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 11.20 at 4,766.68 after trading in a narrow 26-point range all day.

Advancing issues led decliners by about 7 to 5 on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume was moderately heavy at 377.93 million shares.

Broad market indexes were higher, with the NYSE's composite index up 1.41 to 311.02, the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index up 2.72 to 584.22, the Nasdaq composite index up 4.44 to 1,040.50, and the American Stock Exchange's market value index up 0.97 to 522.64.

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Economy still growing at healthy pace

By James H. Rubin
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The government's economic forecasting gauge fell in September for the second time in three months and has risen only twice all year.

But despite that and other signs of weakness — surveys by the Federal Reserve and a business group found declining activity in October — analysts said the economy still is growing at a healthy pace with little inflation.

The Commerce Department said Wednesday that its Index of Leading Economic Indicators, soon to be turned over to a private group, slipped 0.1 percent in September. And the department revised August's figure downward, too, saying the index had risen 0.1 percent rather than the 0.2 percent previously reported.

Falling prices of raw materials in September exerted their biggest drag on the index in 15 years — welcome inflation news though seen as negative in forecasting any speedup in business activity.

Separately, the Federal Reserve, in a survey completed last week by its 12 regional banks, said it detected slowing business activity in the fall, including indications of "a pause in retail sales" in some areas.

But analysts showed little concern.

"It's really very much on trend and that's where you would want to see it," said economist David Munro of High Frequency Economics, a New York City forecasting firm. "The inflation figures have been especially benign."

In another report Wednesday, the Commerce Department said construction spending jumped 1.2 percent to a record high in September, marking the fourth consecutive advance as both residential and government outlays increased.

Bond prices rose sharply after the National Association of Purchasing Management said manufacturing activity slowed in October for the third straight month. A slowdown increases chances for lower interest rates, which move in the opposite direction of bond prices.

Michael Evans, who heads a forecasting service in Boca Raton, Fla., said the economy may be weaker than many believe but the Federal Reserve is not likely to cut interest rates.

"I question whether they will act this month and there's only a 25 percent chance of a cut in December," he said.

The Federal Reserve meets Nov. 15 and holds its last meeting of the year Dec. 19. After doubling the rate banks charge each other for overnight loans, the Fed lowered the rate in July for the first time in nearly three years and has remained on hold since.

Midlander discovers self-paced career

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

As a family-oriented person, Carol Wilson wanted a job in which she could work when she wanted to while providing a service to families.

As a senior consultant for Discovery Toys, she fulfilled that wish.

Her job entails working with developmental toys, books and games for all ages, giving home demonstrations, and filling catalog and phone orders.

Mrs. Wilson has been selling the toys for about a year. She started in Tulsa, where she lived before moving here recently.

"I thought it would be a great way to meet new people," Mrs. Wilson said about continuing the sales here.

Her daughter and 6-year-old granddaughter live with her, so when a friend called to see if she would be interested in seeing some Discovery Toys, she thought it was a good idea.

Then she had a party of her own.

"The toys sell themselves because they are great. So, I decided to do it," Mrs. Wilson said.

While she does it as a way to have a career while still spending quality time with her family and making her own hours, some people do it as a full-time career.

"It's great for mothers who want to stay at home and work their own hours. I like to do it because my husband often travels and I have the opportunity to go with him," Mrs. Wilson said.

She hosts at-home parties and demonstrations for anyone interested in seeing the toys. She also displays the toys at craft shows, schools and any other place she is asked.

"I can also show them one-on-one if the person is more comfortable that way," she said.

Mrs. Wilson said children are very important to her and through her sales she feels like she is benefiting them.

"They are our future and we must take care of them," she said.

Children learn from playing. Those are the experiences that help them grow, she said.

"When they flip a switch on a battery, what are they learning?" she asks.

Discovery Toys stimulate imagination and they are fun for parents to play along with their children, Mrs. Wilson said.

"While children are playing, there is no reason they can't be learning," she said. "These are not the kind of toys you buy and they play with once or twice. They play with these toys over and over."

"Mothers are excited. We've all spent $35 on toys that either the kids didn't play with them or they broke soon after. All our toys have a one-year guarantee and we have replacement parts," Mrs. Wilson said.

Her enthusiasm is a result of seeing her granddaughter, first-hand, enjoy the toys and allow their uses to grow with her.



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Carol Wilson and her 6-year-old granddaughter Brieanna enjoy some time with the toys Mrs. Wilson sells through Discovery Toys.

For example, she said the Measure Up Cups are similar to stacking cups available at the store for a fraction of Discovery Toys' $9.98 price tag.

But, the catch is these cups teach size, sequence, volume and color concepts in more accurate detail, she said. When the children are older they can use the cups for addition. Like the No. 5 cup fits a No. 2 and No. 3 cup into it perfectly.

Mrs. Wilson said most of the toys have different ways to play with them as the children mature.

"The toys will continue to challenge them," Mrs. Wilson said.

She said the toys are also used by special-needs children in both physical and educational therapies.

Discovery Toys was founded about 17 years ago in California by a teacher who couldn't find quality toys that grow with the children.

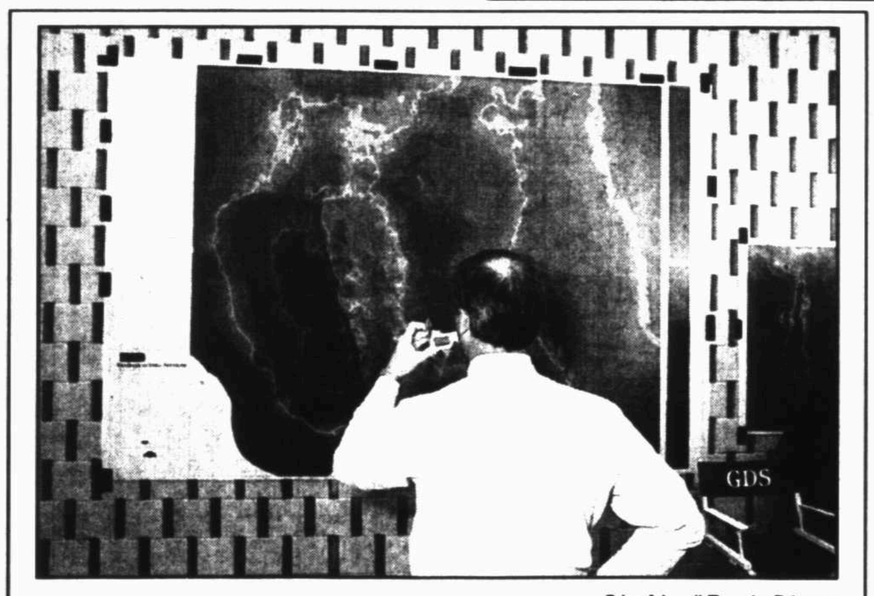
Now, the company sells educational software for children 2-12, as well as for the entire family.

Mrs. Wilson said she is looking for other women who want to sell the toys and to support each other and share hints.

"We're about providing opportunities for building a business, a business you can build from your own home at your own pace, right in step with your family obligations," said company founder Lane Nemeth.

"Discovery Toys is definitely about toys, books, games, software, personal care products and clothing. But, it's also about opportunity and service.

"We're about products that fit your family's needs, products that offer your children developmental benefit, as well as fun. We're about providing opportunities for family togetherness," Ms. Nemeth said.



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A visitor to the West Texas Geological Society's Fall Symposium and Prospect Expo examines a massive wall map through 3-D glass, part of a display from Geological Data Services of Dallas. Thirty service companies and at least 31 prospect exhibitors were expected at the affair.

Hearst buys Tampa TV station

NEW YORK — The Hearst Corporation has agreed to acquire WTMV-TV, Channel 32, from Public Interest Corporation of Tampa, Florida. The television station is licensed to Lakeland, Florida, and serves the Tampa-St. Petersburg-Lakeland television market. The announcement was made today by Frank A. Bennack, Jr., president and chief executive officer of The Hearst Corporation, and John G. Conomikes, vice president of The Hearst Corporation and general manager of Hearst Broadcasting. The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals.

The Tampa.-St. Petersburg television market, the largest in Florida and the second largest in the southeastern United States, is ranked 15th in the nation in television households. Sixty-nine percent of television households in the Tampa.-St. Petersburg market now receive their signal via cable. WTMV-TV, which carries programming of Warner Brothers' WB Network as well as Orlando Magic basketball and Florida Marlins baseball games, is presently carried on cable systems reaching 90 percent of all cable households in the market.

"WTMV-TV will give Hearst Broadcasting a presence in Florida, one of the country's most populous and fastest growing states," Bennack said.

"The Tampa television market is vibrant and expanding," Conomikes added. "We believe that Hearst Broadcasting's resources and experience will provide the program improvements that will make WTMV-TV an entertaining broadcast choice for Tampa-area viewers."

The Hearst Broadcasting Group includes television and radio stations and a production company. The Hearst television stations are WBAL-TV, Baltimore (MD); WCVB-TV, Boston (MA); WISN-TV, Milwaukee (WI); WTAE-TV, Pittsburgh (PA); WDTN-TV, Dayton (OH); and KMBC-TV, Kansas City (MO). WBAL-TV is an NBC affiliate. The five other TV stations are all ABC affiliates. Radio stations owned by Hearst include: WBAL-AM and WIYY-FM, Baltimore; WISN-AM and WLTQ-FM, Milwaukee; and WTAE-AM and WVTY-FM, Pittsburgh.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Risk of losing money exists even in mutual funds

By Bill Doyle

Q: I was struck by your recent column about mutual fund investors losing money. I had a similar experience.



Doyle

I invested $15,000 in a no-load mutual fund in 1992. But the value of the fund shares began dropping in 1994, until my account was worth only $13,834 late in the year. At that point, I decided to bail out with the $1,166 loss — before my capital eroded any further.

Although I had expected that my dividends might fluctuate with market conditions, I never dreamed my capital was at risk. You may be sure the subject is never mentioned in fund sales pitches.

Shouldn't retirees be warned of the capital losses that take place in mutual funds?

A: They are. The previous column you mention was just one of the many columns pounded through my word-processor citing risks of losses in almost all types of mutual funds. Similar warnings have been sounded in newspapers and magazines nationwide.

There's nothing new about it. For decades, I and most business-writer contemporaries have discussed the potential danger of losing money in mutual funds that hold stocks or bonds as investments.

It stands to reason that a fund's share value will rise or fall in line with the market values of the securities it holds in its investment portfolio.

Your expectation that "dividends might fluctuate" while your invested capital would remain secure was naive.

You committed the error made by all too many new investors: You didn't investigate before investing.

If you had taken the time read that mutual fund's prospectus, you would have learned that — far from being guaranteed — your money was at risk.

The true pity of your story is the fact that you redeemed your fund shares late last year — just in time to miss out on the raging bull market that has carried all mutual funds holding stocks and bonds to record highs.

Another point continually stressed in this space is that mutual fund investing should be made for the long term — five years or longer. In-and-out trading is a recipe for financial disaster.

Nonetheless, with stocks, bonds and mutual fund shares now at lofty points, this is an appropriate time to sound the reminder that a price pullback — a "correction," in Wall Street lingo — is inevitable.

Q: On Dec. 1, I will receive approximately $330,000 from a 403(b) retirement annuity. I will do a trustee-to-trustee transfer into an individual retirement account. I want the money to go into the stock market, since I will not draw on it for many years.

I am considering two plans.

With Plan A, I would place the entire $330,000 in a money market mutual fund and then move it into either three, four or five true no-load mutual funds in the same management group over a 12-month period.

With Plan B, I would place the $330,000, in equal amounts, in the same three, four or five funds on Dec. 1.

Which plan should I use?

A: Plan A gets my vote.

That way, your money would earn reasonably high dividends right from the go and be safe until you start moving it into the stock funds. Money market mutual funds are the exception to the rule about price fluctuation, as they use accounting procedures that keep share value level — at $1.

By moving the money gradually into the funds holding stocks as investments, you would be dollar-cost-averaging. Because that method reduces your risk and enhances your profit possibilities, it remains the most sensible way to invest.

Also, although it has become popular to own shares of a large number of funds, I say owning no more than five — all in the same management group — makes sense, for record-keeping purposes.

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AREA: Buffs are win away from playoffs

(From 1C)

have a more balanced attack this year with quarterback Taylor Looney throwing the ball well.

"I feel like we're a little bit more flexible this year and I think that should help a lot," Cotton said. "But the weather may hurt both teams' offenses.

"We've got to try to control their quarterback, John Paul Belew (6-4, 210 pounds). He's an all-state quarterback. Offensively we have to be patient."

The Blizzards and Buffs have both played Jim Ned this year. Stanton scored twice in the last few minutes to win 18-14 and Winters hammered the Indians 52-6 Friday.

Stanton was considered behind Winters, Wall and Jim Ned in the league hierarchy before the season began. But wins over Jim Ned and Wall the last two weeks have put the Buffs one win away from making the playoffs. They end their regular season at Coahoma Nov. 10.

"Anytime you beat two teams that were picked in front of you in district in consecutive weeks your confidence level has to go up," Cotton said.

RANKIN (6-2, 3-0) has won five in a row and needs to beat District 8-1A also-rans Christoval (0-8, 0-3) and Miles (1-7) to win the district. The Red Devils have scored in the 30s the last three games. Quarterback Jo'El Armendariz is 52-for-97 for 743 yards passing with nine touchdowns. Part of Rankin's success has come from causing an average of seven turnovers in its first three league games.

CRANE can represent District 8-3A as the second place team with wins over Kermit (0-8, 0-3) Friday and Sonora Nov. 10. Coach Johnny Burleson is trying to make sure his team doesn't overlook Kermit.

"They have a young football team and they just play awfully hard," Burleson said. "You can't go in there and underestimate them."

SEMINOLE (5-2-1, 1-1-1) needs to beat Lubbock Roosevelt (2-6, 0-3) to stay in the District 5-3A playoff race. The Indians were upset by Lubbock Cooper last week, 21-19, and fell from second to fourth in the league standings. One thing in Seminole's favor is wins over the two teams (Lubbock Cooper and Brownfield) ahead of it in the district standings. Seminole ends its year at home against Denver City in a game that will probably, like last year, have playoff implications.

GREENWOOD (6-1, 3-0) appears on its way to a second straight District 8-3A championship. The Rangers have won eight league games in a row. Their three 8-3A wins this year are by a 34.6-9.3 average.

The Rangers end their season against last place, winless Kermit. But this week they play the district upset makers — Colorado City. The Wolves are a surprise 5-3 and 2-1.

"I think they're the best district team we've played this year," Rangers coach Bob Purser said. "They're large on the line of scrimmage and they have speed."

The Wolf offense is lead by sophomore running back Arian Emmerson.

"He's more than just fast," Purser said of Emmerson. "He won the 100 (meter dash) in district last year. The impressive thing is he's not big but he puts his nose in there and takes a lick."

Purser said Greenwood's 35-14 win over Sonora last week was the team's "best effort" of the year. But mistakes still plague Greenwood. Friday, the Rangers had 100 yards of penalties and four turnovers.

"We had chances to score and get the game over with in the second quarter," Purser said.

The Rangers had two fumbles and drive-killing penalties that stopped three penetrations deep in Sonora territory in the last seven minutes of the half. A win over Colorado City would clinch a district co-championship for Greenwood since the worst it could do after that would be tie with Crane.

BIG SPRING (3-5, 2-1) plays Monahans (2-6, 0-3). It needs wins over the Lobos and Andrews Nov. 10 to make the playoffs for the second year in a row. The Steers have the No. 2 ranked offense, defense, quarterback, running back and receiver in District 4-4A. Quarterback Bucky Crenshaw has thrown for 830 yards and seven touchdowns, tailback Antwoyne Edwards had 873 yards and seven TDs and tight end Daniel "Bubba" Franks has 24 catches for 405 yards and five TDs.

LAMESA (3-5, 1-2) broke a 13-game district losing streak in the same location of its last league win — Snyder. The Golden Tornadoes last district win came in District 2-4A with a 23-14 victory at Snyder Oct. 29, 1992. The Tors turned the trick again Friday, 17-10. Lamesa will have to start a 5-4A winning streak against undefeated Sweetwater (8-0, 3-0).

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN (7-1, 2-0) plays at undefeated Abilene Christian (8-0, 2-0) to determine first and second place in TAPPS Six-Man District 1. **TRINITY** (4-4, 1-1) hosts El Paso Faith Christian (5-3, 1-1) Saturday.

ANDREWS (4-4, 3-0) is at .500 for the first time in second-year head coach Mike Lebby's tenure. The Mustangs have turned their offense around in recent weeks, scoring 97 points in their last three games. But how much of that can be attributed to the Mustangs' last three opponents (Pecos, Monahans, Ft. Stockton) could be determined Friday against Lake View (6-1-1, 3-0).

Area Schedule

Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado City at Greenwood
Winters at Stanton
Lake View at Andrews
Big Spring at Monahans
Kermit at Crane
Rankin at Christoval
Sweetwater at Lamesa
Seminole at Lubbock Roosevelt
Midland Christian at Abilene Christian

Saturday, 2 p.m.
El Paso Faith Christian at Trinity

MSA: Tourneys should bring in more money

(From 1C)

land Chamber of Commerce was also a member of the Midland delegation.

"We were delighted to get this tournament because we were beaten out by Chattanooga on a previous tournament a few years ago," said Bill Williams.

The Girls 12-Under event is a huge plum for the city that earns the right to host the event, according to Freddie Ezell.

"This one is bigger for the city in terms of dollars. This is one of those tournaments you really want to have," Ezell said. "This one draws aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, moms, dads and grand parents. It is estimated that each team will bring 60 or 70 people with them, and we will have a field of 73 teams, including two host teams."

Williams added, "We've held the 16-Under before and that's getting to where parents will let the kid go with the coach. But at 12-years-old, the parents are going to come also. They aren't going to turn them loose."

Ezell said, "Dollar-wise, this is the best one of the whole bunch. We have never hosted this tournament, but it is one we always wanted.

Women's softball is on the rise in popularity in the United States and much of that interest is due to softball's entrance into the 1996 Olympics.

"The Olympics has spurned great interest in softball across the nation and we've seen tremendous growth in the sport. In fact, Christa Williams of Pasadena Dobie (who pitched a no-hitter and a perfect game at the Class 5A state tournament last spring) is on the Olympic team," Williams said.

The Girls 12-Under tournament is set for Aug. 6-10 in 1997, but there is more coming before that event.

MSA will host the National Girls 14-Under Fast Pitch tournament during the second week of August at the Bill Williams Softball Complex. This tournament was won by Midland at the ASA convention in Orlando, Fla., in 1994.

"The 14-Under is even bigger than the 16-Under attendance-wise," Ezell said, "and we had a good tournament with the 16-unders."

Midland annually seems to land a top national ASA event of some kind, including fast pitch softball and slow pitch.

"Freddie (Ezell) is a key for us," Williams said. "He works so hard at the conventions and has been elected to the voting board which gives him a chance to meet the people who vote on these things and talk to them about what we can offer in Midland. He deserves a lot of the credit."

BAHA: Beals make Baha family effort

(From 1C)

there are two sons, Carl III, 29 (son of Carty); and Spencer Jr., 19.

The leader of the off-road racing clan, Spencer, is also the veteran in terms of Baja experience. He will be going for his second win in five tries. Beal got his start in racing with quarter midgets as a 12-year-old. Later, Spencer got into off-road racing with a dirt bike, then progressed to the bigger vehicles.

"I have to work for a living. I'm in the oil business and I'm a struggling independent," Spencer said.

The Beal family has also been associated in the past with Midland's famed Indy car owner Jim Hall. Hall has gone trail riding with the Beals in Colorado in the off-season. The Beal family was also associated with Hall's original "ground effects" car, the Pennzoil Chaparral, which won the Indianapolis 500 in 1980.

Eldest brother, Carty, may have eight years on Spencer in age, but he is a year behind in Baja experience with three races. As Carter enters his fourth race, he does bring a wealth of background as a motorcycle racer and pro-stock car racer. The youngest of the trio of brothers, Kelly, and accomplished polo player, will be running his fourth Baja 1000.

The two youngest Beals, Carl III and Spencer Jr., also have an extensive off-road history although it is the first Baja 1000 for either racer. Carl III has been racing pro-stock with his dad Carty for the past 10 seasons. Carl III is a three-time winner of the Top Gun competition in Telluride, Colo. Spencer Jr., a Southern Methodist University student, also won Top Gun honors at the Telluride race.

Missing from the race this year is another Beal, Barry Jr., who built the Beal's Nissan Pathfinder. Barry raced in the Australian Safari in 1992, becoming the only American finisher of the 6,500-mile kilometer Sydney to Darwin race. Not only was Barry the only Yank to finish, he won the T2-3 Stock Modified 4WD Class.

Instead of a sixth racing Beal, Bryant Hibbs of Dulzara, Calif., will ride shotgun for the second consecutive year. Hibbs also helped build the Nissan.

"He's our navigator, mechanic and rider," Spencer said. "Bryant helped build our car. He's a great asset to the team."

In addition to their Baja races, the Beals have also raced in the now-defunct Gold Coast race and hinted they may have plans to do more SCORE races in the future.

"We'd like to, but we'll have to wait and see," Spencer said.

For now it's the Baja 1000 where the Beals have had success before.

Lemieux's seven points lead Penguins

The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Mario Lemieux scored seven points on a goal and six assists as the Pittsburgh Penguins crushed the Tampa Bay Lighting 10-0 Wednesday night.

Lemieux had six assists for the third time in his career, tying the team record he shares with Ron Stackhouse and Greg Malone. He's had a pair of eight-point games.

Capitals 5, Canadiens 2

LANDOVER, Md. — Peter Bondra scored twice within a 27-second span of the third period, and the Washington Capitals snapped Montreal's six-game winning streak with a victory.

Montreal was 6-0-0 under coach Mario Tremblay, who took over for Jacques Demers after the Canadiens opened the season with five successive losses.

Sabres 2, Red Wings 1

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Dominik Hasek made 29 saves and Yuri Khmylev and Charlie Huddy each scored a goal as the Buffalo Sabres beat the Detroit Red Wings.

Hasek, who has started 10 of 11 games this season, was coming off five days' rest after sitting out Sunday against Chicago. .

Avalanche 6, Flames 1

DENVER — Claude Lemieux had his best game in a Colorado uniform, scoring two goals to lead the Avalanche to their sixth straight victory over the Calgary Flames.

Stars 1, Blackhawks 1

DALLAS — Dallas goaltender Andy Moog stopped 32 shots and his penalty-killing unit denied all seven Chicago power-play opportunities as the Stars and Blackhawks played to a 1-1 tie.

Jeff Hackett made 26 saves for the Blackhawks, whose only goal came in the second period from Jeremy Roenick. Greg Adams got Dallas' goal on a first-period power play.

Maple Leafs 4, Jets 2

WINNIPEG, Manitoba — The Winnipeg Jets lost for the first time at home this season as the Toronto Maple Leafs scored three power-play goals in the first period and rode the goaltending of Felix Potvin to a 4-2 victory.

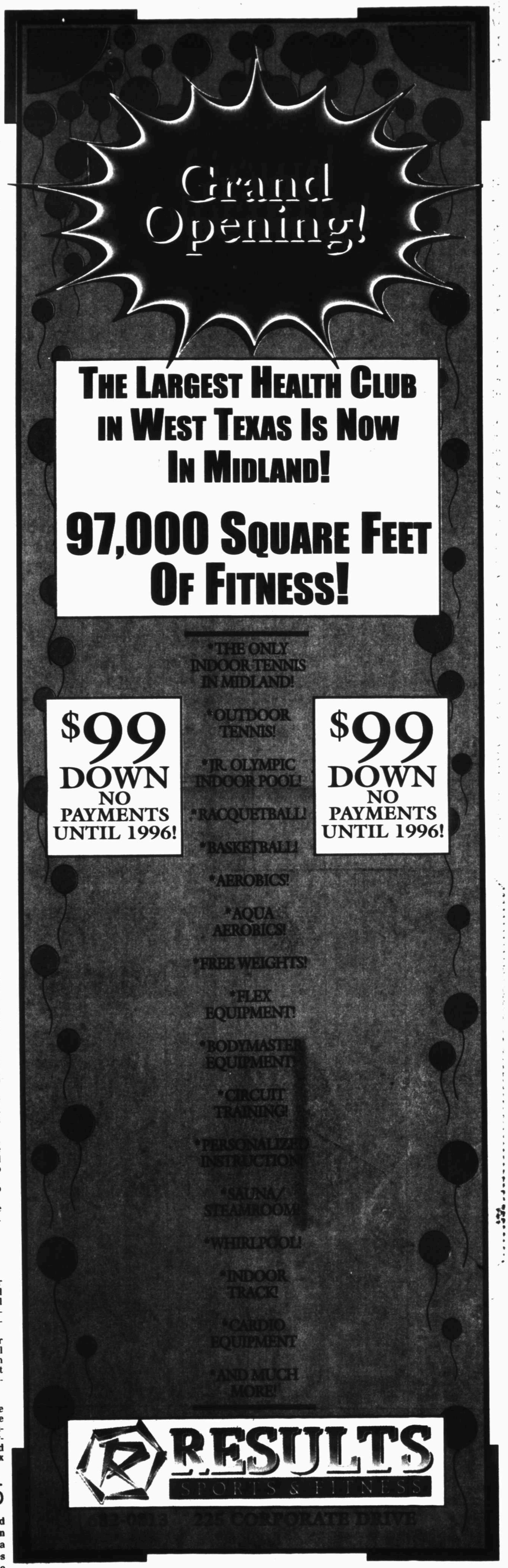
BOYS: Lett collected $4 million bonus in 1995

(From 1C)

Cowboys first half of the season.

Besides being a solid player, he is also known for two monumental goofs with the national television audience watching. One came in a Super Bowl when he was showboating and fumbled away a touchdown on a return and the other was on Thanksgiving Day two years ago when he touched the ball after a blocked field goal giving Miami life and a win.

Agents Michael Claiborne and Jim Steiner negotiated a $4 million bonus for Lett this summer in a multi-year contract that averages $2.56 million per year. They had no comment on the matter.



FASHION

Dear Abby/2D

Designers show strong collections

By Constance C.R. White
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Now, it should be said that age does matter. Designers' sensibilities are, after all, products of the social and cultural changes swirling around them as they mature. And some influences are reinforced daily, which is why Carolina Herrera, in her milieu, and Kenneth Richard, molding a vision of his world, both produced strong collections.

Ms. Herrera's day suits should be considered an afterthought, a service to her customers, who are often wealthy, mature and discreet women who must often venture out at night, responding to serious social callings — much like Ms. Herrera herself.

Ms. Herrera shows her true passion in glamorous traditional evening dresses. Fashion continues to be enamored of the techniques and materials that defined an era of supreme elegance and dressmaker details. At Ms. Herrera's show, this meant a series of black gowns and cocktail dresses made resplendent with horsehair. The stiff fabric fanned out on the neck of a fitted evening suit to form a baroque frame around the face. Tucked into the bodice of a column with cascading pleats beneath, it coyly drew attention to the bust while shading its cleavage.

Riotous bursts of color in tulip prints washed over Ms. Herrera's spaghetti-strap gowns or bathing suits paired with flowing skirts, conjuring a look that would work as well pool-side as it would for an evening out.

Richard would probably not know where to begin were he to have to dress Ms. Herrera's customer. But he certainly is onto a focused way of dressing for an urbane clientele in its 20s and 30s.

It is a look Richard has been evolving for several seasons, and he is smart to stay with it. Credit goes to designers with a vision. Private-label orders go to those without one.

Richard cut a body-conscious metallic steel blue, zip-front jacket, putting it over black wool shadow-striped capri pants. A sleek sand-colored jacket went over matching cigarette trousers and a perforated suede bra. A licorice black, gray and white striped pants suit with double breasted jacket and lean boy-cut pants was sleek and sophisticated.

Richard has a future; one hopes he has earned what emerging designers need most: time.

Norma Kamali has done her time — more than 25 years. When she is not pushing fashion forward, she is consistently at the heart of the matter, even if she does keep the 1940s fire burning way beyond most retailers' and editors' attention spans.

These last few seasons, that fire came and went as a major fashion trend, rendering unfortunately familiar what Ms. Kamali had accomplished before others caught up. In this collection, there was a '40s segment, but she opened newer territory reminiscent of the '70s. There were suede patchwork jackets over matching capri pants, cobalt blue suede wrap tops, pieced chamois ankle-length skirts and lime green, brown, orange and white poppy-print skirts and capris under lime green suede shirts or notch-collar jackets.

Yeohlee Teng's program notes grouped outfits by fabrics, like "bathing cap material in viscose and elastic" and "acetate polyamide and Lycra stretch satin." Ms. Teng's clean minimalism is well-suited to show off the leaps that have been made in fabric technology in the last few years.

She cut the white bathing cap material into simple fitted crop zip-front jackets and matching slim pants and a sleeveless crop shirt and capris.

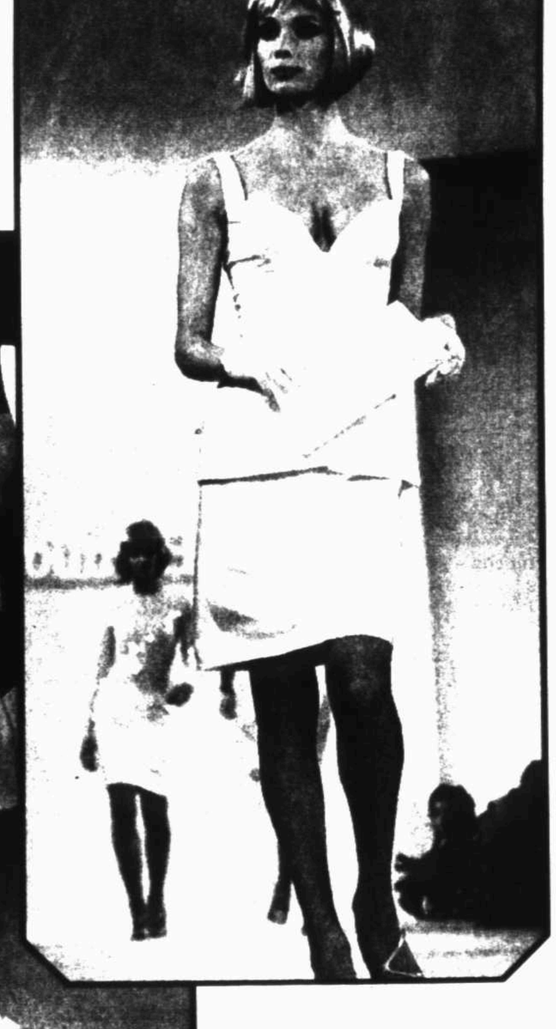
Her evening looks were as refined and effortless as her daytime forays. A steel gray stretch satin cheongsam slit up either side slid over a long matching skirt. A waist-length fitted shirt had a placket down the front and sat serenely above an ankle-length circle skirt in the same fabric.

Ms. Teng's purity of design renders her clothes an almost spiritual experience.













Monday's showings of the 1996 Spring collections in New York City were touted as sensible and mature, and were well received. Among some of the styles: this mint-colored gown (top photo, clockwise) by designer Carolina Herrera presented at Bryant Park; also from Herrera are a white bustier over a fitted skirt and a yellow tulip embroidered bathing suit with a printed overskirt; fashion designer Yeohlee Teng receives the applause of the audience and models following her Spring 1996 show in New York City; Yeohlee's statement for her collection was as clear as "black and white" in these midriff-bearing styles. Norma Kamali (center photo) poses with fashions of mint green and cobalt blue suede from her collection for Spring 1996 in New York City.

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Spring '96 NYC

Classic clothes fit for a classy lady

By Francine Parnes
Associated Press

Short silk chemise. Say it five times fast and it'll twist your tongue. Aside from that, it's perfectly polite and polished.

At this fashion moment, the well-behaved, streamlined chemise, a k a the shift or skimmer, is everywhere because it fairly shouts Jackie Kennedy in Camelot. Or Audrey Hepburn in "Sabrina." Who could resist?

Refined styles such as chemises and pastel suits recall the days when the operative word was "ladylike." Wear your skirt just above the knee, add a matching little jacket a la Jackie and you're pulled together.

What makes this look modern is that it is less severe this time around. Pretty pastels and sherbet shades now come in soft, satiny fabrics, which, unlike the old polyesters, give tailored suits a more feminine edge. Neat hair and sweptback styles are still in, but skip the lacquered beehive of the '60s.

From Carolina Herrera to Isaac Mizrahi to Karl Lagerfeld for Chanel, summer collections carry the imprint of the impeccably dressed lunching lady. Oscar de la Renta likes fitted suits with scalloped hems and proper white gloves. He also has simple wool day suits in pink, yellow or red, which he showed with fishnets and patent leather high-heel ankle-strap sandals.

Bill Blass casts his vote for opulent ensemble dressing in florals, such as a pink and white silk coat over a white lace dress. If you're really enterprising, you'll go for Blass' wool checked suits with marabou trim.

Everything's fit for a lady. Like sheer neutral stockings and high heels dyed to match your outfit. Also back are matched jewelry sets, such as generous pearl necklaces and earrings, and giant, Jackie Kennedy-style sunglasses.

Handbags are top-handled and designed to be carried. Give yourself extra points if yours comes with a little lipstick mirror.

The time is ripe for the swing to genteel clothes, says New York designer Carolina Herrera.

"They're easy to wear," says Herrera. "You look more feminine, like a real woman, not like you're wearing a costume such as last year's grunge. Ladylike dressing has always been very successful because women love to look soigne and very chic and well-groomed and finished and well put-together. They're tired of dressing hippie. They want classic, classic."

Herrera should know. She has dressed two generations of Kennedys — both Jackie and her daughter, Caroline.

"Fashion is a repetition of ideas, no?" says Herrera. "Every designer has tried to copy that simple and elegant Jacqueline Kennedy look."

You'll find it from Herrera, in a soft pink wool crepe V-neck jacket with navy crinkled silk chiffon above-the-knee skirt. Herrera also offers the same skirt with an aqua wool crepe bib-front jacket. Then add navy kid gloves and navy patent leather high-heel sling backs, as Herrera did on the runway.

Her suits are yours — if you can spring for $2,900. Sold at Saks Fifth Avenue, Neiman Marcus, Nordstrom and Henri Bendel.

But you don't need the portfolio of a Kennedy to get the look.

Try Talbots, which offers a $160 viscose-linen above-the-knee chemise with dyed-to-match trim at the waist. In periwinkle, fuchsia or ivory, the dress has a jewel neck, short sleeves and back zipper closure. The Talbots catalog shows it with pearl necklace and earrings and a matching clutch purse.

At Saks Fifth Avenue, the lineup includes jewel-neck long-sleeved silk chemises with back zippers, including one in watermelon pink with floral print on the bodice, about $288 from UMI. Stanley Sherman has one in solid lime or orange, $159.

At Lord & Taylor, you'll find a selection of pale-pink suits and sleeveless shifts plus short, shaped jackets "that have been very well-received," says LaVelle Olexa, vice president for fashion merchandising.

"This look was particularly strong and was the direction of our dress and suit promotion," says Olexa. "There's been such interest in Jackie Kennedy. Camelot was a groomed era, and women do love the look of being groomed."

Get ready, and happy lunching.



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A classic gray flannel suit? Hardly. These updated versions of menswear looks for women are from Byron Lars for Fall '95.

Fall's fashions look like clothes, not costumes

By Linda Gillan Griffin
Hearst News Service

If the rationale of fashion has escaped some shoppers since Marc Jacobs took the plunge into grunge some years ago, this fall is the season they may return to the fashion fold. Clothes will look like clothes, not costumes or mistakes, and the American tradition of fine sportswear will win out. It had to come to this: After a decade of cycling through every retro period known to woman, designers have finally stumbled onto an era of clean-cut, understated clothes that look, well, modern.

We've arrived back in an era of youthful, ladylike dressing. And what's wrong with that? Female shoppers will find clothes this fall look very different from those of just a year ago. Then the key was movie-star glamour; now it's Twiggy freshness. And, yes, go-go boots are back.

Those tight, patent boots fill the space that above-knee A-line and shift dresses leave revealed. But there are other more conservative choices — little pumps with shaped Sabrina heels and loafer-type shoes with fat, chunky heels that have driven the coffin nail into last year's towering stilettos.

THESE ARE versatile clothes. A dress with jacket substitutes for a suit at the office and at sunset sheds the jacket to become a cocktail dress. This fall's sparely cut and curvy-shaped designer suits are hitting just below the knee, reminiscent of 1950s' hemlines.

For lovers of investment clothing, this season will stand out for years. Classically cut black, camel and brown solid-color jackets, skirts and trousers are filling the stores. Black-and-white checks, houndstooths, herringbones and tweeds add spice to all the neutrality, and menswear stripes — on black, navy and gray backgrounds — will be good for years. Plaids, are popular, especially red or green with black for pleated skirts.

Jackets have many shapes — military or Nehru-collared, collarless, traditional with notched lapels, or square and boxy. Many are double-breasted. Boxy and snug jackets are inevitably fashioned of lighter-weight materials, woolens or blends.

The fashion this year is to go without jewelry. Small earrings or a brooch, if you must, but there is still a minimalist approach.

BECAUSE BROWN and camel have come on strong, crocodile and croc-patterned shoes, belts and bags are everywhere. And handbags are just that — bags to hold in your hand or over your arm, ladylike and sedate.

The most important accessory remains the narrow belt. While it was red or white patent for summer, it's black patent or brown crocodile for fall.

Color comes running at the shopper this season. Red has blossomed as a new neutral and, after seasons of black, looks just right. Nearly every designer has at least one red jacket to offer, if not entire wardrobes. But don't stop at red.

Strong jolts of fuchsia, royal blue, orange and lime green wake up whatever they touch, whether it's jeans, the good, neutral suit or a tasteful animal print. And in the animal-print department, faux leopard is everywhere, but black-and-white fantasy pony, Dalmatian and zebra are gaining ground. Paired with hot-colored silk charmeuse, satins and velvets, these animals can prowl from daytime into evening.

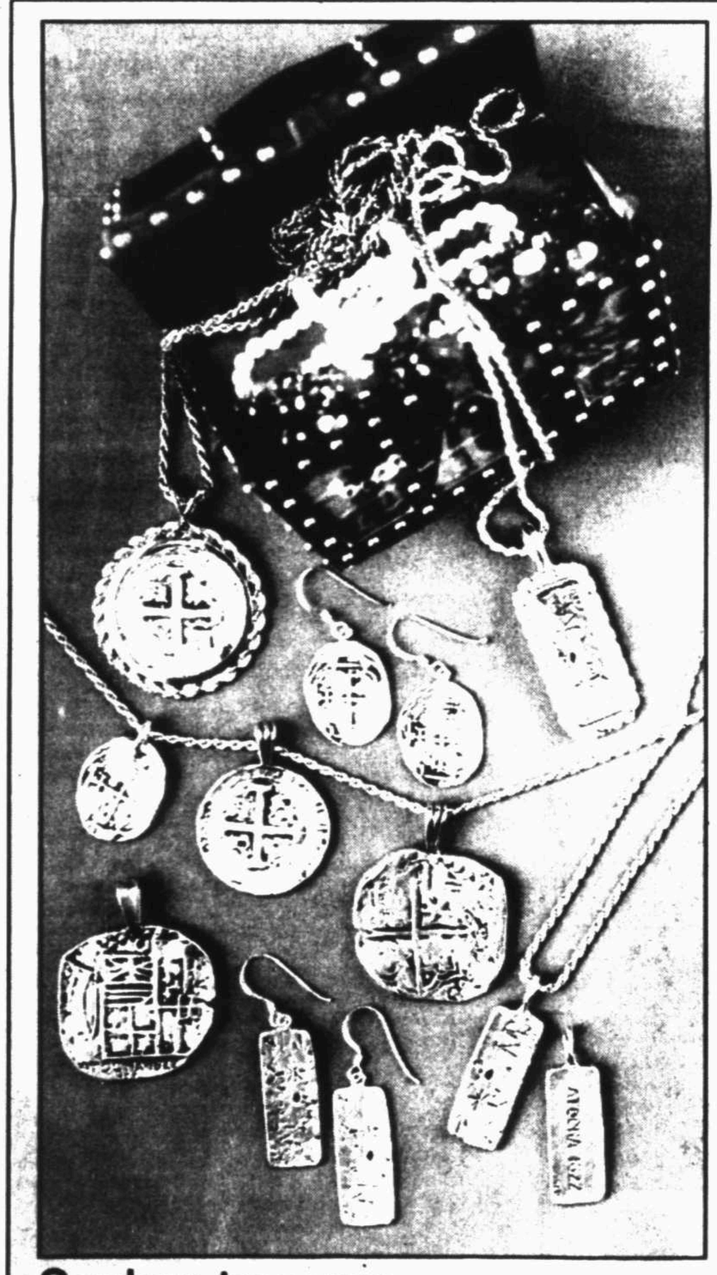
Pants take two directions. There is a choice of a wider leg with cuffs, perfect with the double-breasted jacket, and a skinny, almost-cigarette pant, fitted and tapered to the ankles. Most pants are pleatless now, fitted around the waist for a smooth look under the more shapely jackets and sweaters.

In the sweater department, twin sets are going strong, and summer's love affair with shrunken knits continues. Shirts and blouses are cut closer to the body.

THE MOD era was characterized by dropped waists and hip-hugger styles, which are only now experiencing a comeback. Clothing with these features are probably good buys, as the style has yet to reach its peak.

Denim and leather, two perennials that just won't die, are back, and black or brown leather jackets, vests, pants and coats abound. Vests remain an important part of the wardrobe.

So many choices are available to women this fall that dressing will be easy.



Sunken treasure

There is a way to see a piece of history dating back to the 1600s without going to a museum. JCPenney in Midland Park Mall will host Jack Magne and his "treasures" 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 11. His "treasures" are jewelry pieces crafted from silver ingots recovered from the Nuestra Senor de Atocha, a Spanish galleon which sank during a hurricane in 1622 off the coast of Florida. The jewelry — replicas of the coins, religious items and other artifacts found in the shipwreck — ranges in price from $30 to about $300. Magne markets this jewelry through his company, Treasure Salls Inc. Magne's jewelry is made by Johnston's Jewelers in Largo, Fla., a custom jewelry firm. Molds are made of the original artifacts. The jewelry produced from the molds is polished and "antiqued," an oxidation process to give them a weathered look. Each piece is sold with a certificate of authenticity.

DEAR ABBY

Husband's ties to his parents seem excessive to wife

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been happily married for three years, but there is something he insists on doing that I find very irritating.

He telephones his parents twice a day. He calls them during the day from work, then calls them again during the evening before we go to bed. He has done this ever since I have known him.



Van Buren

We have had a few arguments about this because I feel that at his age (38) he shouldn't be so closely tied to his parents. His parents are in reasonably good health and live less than a two-hour drive from us.

Once, when we were vacationing out of town, he failed to call his parents for three days, and when we got home, they laid a guilt trip on him for having "neglected" them.

Abby, I feel that adults need some boundaries from their parents, especially after they are married.

We have no children yet, but we have been trying for a year with no success. All this stress sure hasn't helped much. Any suggestions? — IRRITATED IN OHIO

DEAR IRRITATED: I may be mistaken, but I believe that a man who calls his parents every day should be admired ... and I would say the same about a woman.

I fail to understand why this should irritate you. Please write again and explain.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Not Cheap, But Reasonable," the couple who wrote to you complaining that being in a friend's or relative's wedding is prohibitively expensive — and asking if they had to also give a wedding gift if they were part of the bridal party.

Brides would do their friends and relatives a huge favor if they would consider renting their bridesmaids' gowns instead of forcing their attendants to buy them. Very nice formal-wear stores exist that rent the same garments advertised in the major bridal magazines. They can be a tremendous help for budget-minded people.

I happen to own such a store, and none of our bridesmaid's gowns rents for more than $60. We also rent tuxedos at that price. (Bridal gowns rent for $99 to $250 — nowhere near what it costs to purchase one.)

Formal-wear stores offer free alterations, and most maintain very high standards when it comes to keeping their merchandise clean and looking brand-new.

Men have rented their formal attire for years. Their closets are not full of various tuxedos in odd colors and styles that they will never wear again. It's time for women to do the same. — CHEAP AND REASONABLE

DEAR C AND R: Many readers will thank you for your intelligent reminder. Renting the bridesmaid's gown eases the financial crunch of being in the wedding party.

Also, the bride who opts for a lovely rented gown can use the money she saves for other wedding expenses, the honeymoon, new furniture or a joint savings account.

DEAR ABBY: Some relatives came to visit us for two long weeks. I bought $100 worth of groceries before their arrival and planned lovely meals to make their stay more enjoyable.

The day they arrived they said we had nothing in the house they could eat. So, back to the market we went -- and this time they picked out the food and we paid for it.

They also told us they were not big eaters. I cooked our food for us and their food for them. They ate theirs and ours, all the while insisting they were still sticking to their no-fat diets.

They also hiked for at least an hour every day and kept telling us they were "restless." And they stayed up well past midnight every night playing cards or watching television. To put it plainly, they ran us ragged.

What do you think of people who come to spend their vacation and insist on keeping up with their diet and exercise regimen at your house — even if it means inconveniencing their hosts and turning their lives upside down? — FUMING IN FRESNO, CALIF.

DEAR FUMING: I think they're rude and self-centered. And if you didn't invite them again, it would be understandable. Polite guests adapt to their hosts' lifestyle -- "When in Rome, do as the Romans do."

DEAR ABBY: My sister and I both have 3-year-old daughters. My problem is that my mother has attended all three of my niece's birthday parties, but has been "sick" for the last two years for my daughter's. I have gone out of my way to invite her to these parties far in advance so that she could attend.

Mother lives closer to my sister and sees a lot more of her other granddaughter, but I go to see her every two or three weeks.

When I ask Mother about attending, she says things like, "Oh, you know I don't believe in having birthday parties for children that young." (My daughter received her last two birthday gifts two to three weeks late and they weren't even wrapped!) I do not live a great distance away, but I have had to drive to her house to "collect" the presents two years in a row.

Should I let Mother know how much this is bothering me? (Not to mention the fact that my daughter will soon notice this treatment if it continues.) -- FRUSTRATED MOM

DEAR FRUSTRATED: Tell your mother what you have told me. If your mother doesn't already realize how much it bothers you, she must be extremely insensitive. You can "protect" your daughter for just so long. Perhaps it would be better to simply call a halt to the cover-up and allow your mother to be seen for the thoughtless, uncaring person she is.

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Weatherford Roofing Company, et al. v. Employers National Insurance Company, et al.;
Cause Number 91-05637
In the 116th Judicial District Court of
Dallas County, Texas

Brandt Engineering Co., Inc., et al. v. Protective Insurance Company, et al.;
Cause Number 95-01604
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ATTENTION - OFFICIAL COURT NOTICE

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ATTENTION: ALL EMPLOYERS HAVING EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, WHO PURCHASED POLICIES OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE IN THE VOLUNTARY MARKET WITH AN EFFECTIVE OR RENEWAL DATE FROM MAY 15, 1987 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 1, 1992, THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AND SUCCESSORS

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PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT DATES

December 4, 1995
Deadline to opt out

December 11, 1995
Deadline to comment or object

December 27, 1995, 9:30 a.m.
Fairness Hearing

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LEGAL NOTICE
Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 3:00 P.M., November 15 1995, to be opened at 3:00 P.M., in the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid (s):

Bid #015-96 to purchase:

Long Distance Service for the C I S Department.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On October 19, 1995, ICA Media, L.L.C. tendered for filing with the Federal Communications Commission an application for consent to assignment of the licenses of Stations KMND (AM) and KNFM (FM), Midland, Texas to New Frontier Communications, Inc. Station KMND operates on 1510 KHz. Station KNFM operates on 92.3 MHz. The officers, managers and members with a 10% or greater interest in ICA Media, L.L.C. are: John M. Bushman, Steve Pingel, Dwain Epting, Jerry Prothro, Brad Bushman, Jason K. Bushman, Ed Lasater, John C. Nichols, Sherry Ingram and Investment Corporation of America. The C&J Revocable Trust is the majority shareholder in Investment Corporation of America. The officers, directors and persons holding 10% or more of the capital stock of New Frontier Communications, Inc., are: Tommy R. Vascocu, Michael L. Owens, Sonja Erskine, Larry Daniels, Robert Podolsky and Alan Owens. A copy of the application and related materials are on file for public inspection during regular business hours at Stations KMND (AM)/ KNFM (FM), 2911 La-Force Blvd., Midland, Texas 79711.

Railroad Commission of Texas
Legal Division
District 08
September 25, 1995
NOTICE OF HEARING
CASE NO. 0209857

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public and to all interested persons that under the legal authority and jurisdiction of title 3, Oil and Gas Subtitles A, B, and C of the Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 26, 27 and 29 of the Texas Water Code, and TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art. §§ 2001 et. seq. (1995), the RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS will hold a hearing on **NOVEMBER 14, 1995, AT 9:00 A.M.** at the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. This hearing will be conducted in conformity with the TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art. §§ 2001 et. seq. (1995). For room assignment, on the date of the hearing please check the bulletin in the 1st Floor lobby. Persons planning to attend this hearing are urged to contract the applicant (see service list) immediately prior to the hearing date to be sure that the hearing will proceed on the scheduled date.

The Commission will consider the application of Blair Exploration, Inc. for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of 16 Texas Administrative Code §3.37 (Railroad Commission State Rule 37) to drill Well No. 1, Fitts Lease 71.8 Acres, Section 44, Block 34, T-3-N, T & P RR Co. Survey, Hill Ranch (Dean), Hill ranch (Miss), hill Ranch (Fusselman) and Wildcat Fields, Martin County, Being 20.0 Miles north from Stanton, Texas.

RULE 37 CASE NO. 0209857

The location of this well is as follows:
330' from west line and 60' from south line of lease and survey. This well is to be completed at an approximate depth of 11,000 feet.
If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Keith B. Masters, at (512) 476-1245. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Railroad Commission, Legal Division, at (512) 463-9848.

IF A CONTINUATION IS NECESSARY, this hearing will proceed at the William B. Travis State Office Building, Austin, Texas, and, to the extent possible, on subsequent working days. The room number and exact time of the continuation will be announced on the record in this proceeding and recorded with Docket Services, Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas.

PURSUANT TO SAID HEARING, the Commission will enter such rules, regulations, and orders as in its judgment the evidence presented may justify, including placement of the proposed well at a different location from that requested by application, and the establishment of the amount of acreage on the applicant's tract that can reasonably be considered to be productive of hydrocarbons for the purpose of assigning an allowable.

ANY REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT of this hearing must be received no later than five (5) working days prior to the scheduled date shown above. Copies of such request must be forwarded to all parties shown on the service list.

TO APPEAR IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THIS PROCEEDING, a party other than the applicant must file with Docket Services, Legal Division, at lease five (5) working days in advance of the hearing date, a notice of intent to appear.

ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY who needs auxiliary aids and services in order to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in this hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the scheduled hearing by notifying the Personnel Office of the Railroad Commission of Texas by mail at P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, or by Telephone at (512) 463-7327 or TDD No. (512) 463-7284.

ALL EXHIBITS FILED AS A PART OF THE RECORD IN THIS CAUSE MUST BE SUBMITTED IN DUPLICATE. DATA IN COMMISSION RECORDS MAY BE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE, BUT THE REFERENCE MUST BE SPECIFIC,M AND IF IT INCLUDES EXHIBITS FILED IN PRIOR PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE COMMISSION, A COPY OF SUCH EXHIBIT PROPERLY IDENTIFIED SHALL BE SUBMITTED FOR THIS RECORD.

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100 Midland's New Arrivals

There's A New KIDD In Town!

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110 Lodge Notices

Midland Masonic Lodge #623, 1600 W. Wall, Reg. stated meetings 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7:30 pm, 682-3292, Bill Dormady, W.M., Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Midland Shrine Club, 2019 Trade Dr. 682-5509, Reg. mtng. 3rd Thurs. each mo. Hosp. 6:30 pm, dine 7 pm. Bus. mtng. 8 pm, Larry Ross, Pres., Bob Ellwood, Secy.

CENTENNIAL LODGE #1448, 1000 Upland, Reg. stated meeting, 1st & 3rd Sat. mornings 8:30 am. Breakfast 7:30 am. Larry Ross, W.M. Bob Ellwood, Secty.

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LOST: Cat near Shoguns. Grey with white chest and paws. Pink collar with license. Call 687-5333.

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SMALL black & white dog. Rat Terrier? Male found vicinity of S. Main/Washington. 688-5152.

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Divorced, 5'7", green eyes, 2 kids, smoker, seeks romantic, fun-loving white male, 35-40, for possible romance. **#40379**

SEEKS SOUL MATE
Full-figured divorced white female, 40, seeking divorced white male, 38-48, no drugs, non-drinker, build one-on-one relationship. **#22729**

BLACK FEMALE, 20
Seeking single white male, 18-26, blue/green eyes, with good sense of humor. Must love kids! **#26977**

HISPANIC LADY, 28
5'3", seeks Hispanic male, 25-30s, like to go out, dancing, movies, romantic dinners. **#44137**

SINGLE FEMALE
Seeking male, 35 plus, who is a good, honest, employed man! **#60860**

CHRISTIAN MAN
Single white female, 18, attractive. Seeking warmth, romance, fun, laughter and outdoors. For friendship, possible relationship, 18-26. **#44452**

SEEKING SINGLE MAN
35 plus, loves to have fun, honest and enjoys kids. **#67023**

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Divorced, 54, slender, blue-eyed brunette. Seeking white gentleman, ?-6'4", social drinker, smoker O.K., with sense of humor. **#80984**

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28, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'5", 125 lbs., smoker, looking for someone to party with. **#46315**

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Attractive divorced white female, mid 40s, seeks romantic, tall, Christian, secure single/divorced white male, 38-55, who enjoys life. **#66981**

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Never be lonely on a rainy day. Seeking outgoing, intelligent, employed single black male, 19-29. **#22145**

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Auburn hair, brown eyes, outgoing female, 24, smoker, seeking white male, 25-35. For fun and romance. **#84597**

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FEMALE, 31
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BLACK FEMALE, 47
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Seeks white or black male for friendship, possible relationship. I enjoy movies, dining out, travel, good conversation. **#22032**

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WHITE MALE, 26
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With adorable kids, seeks attractive, intelligent and personable single white female, 26-36, for relationship, non-smoker, non-drinker. **#82975**

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White male musician, enjoys music and sports, seeking relationship with a white or Hispanic female, 35-40. **#21729**

SINGLE ASIAN MALE
30, educated gentleman, financially stable, new to town, seeks somebody nice, any age and race, for fun. **#46126**

WHITE MALE, 26
Brown hair/eyes, 185 lbs. Seeks white female, 20-30, attractive, likes working out, having lots of fun. **#22102**

HISPANIC MALE
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Hispanic male, 38, enjoys music, dancing, dining, sports, financially stable, seeks female friend or companion. **#44863**

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Divorced, seeks single or divorced white/Hispanic female, 21-30, who enjoys romance and having fun. **#82726**

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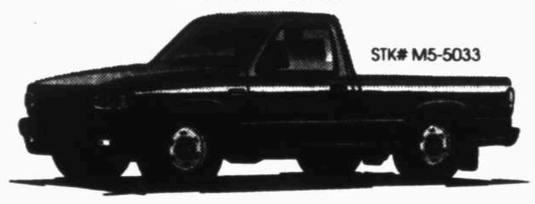
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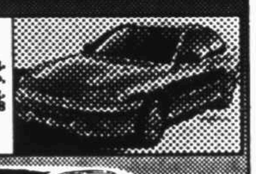
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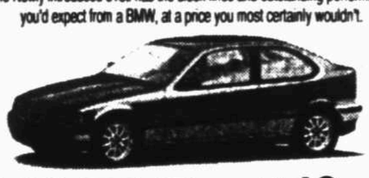
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SALON- National Salon Corporation has openings for several licensed hairdressers. Preferably with clientele. Base pay plus commission, benefits or paid vacation, 401K plan. Contact Paula at 697-7961.

SEASONAL

CANDY MANUFACTURER

Accepting applications for Clean, Dependable, Seasonal help.

1515 South Fairgrounds Rd.
684-6191

TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION

ATTENTION VETERANS:

- Are you 55 or older and looking for part-time work?
- Is your annual income less than $9,340 or (2 person family $12,640)?
- If so, the Senior Texans Employment Program can help!
- For more information ...call

SCOTT STAFFORD

VETERANS REPRESENTATIVE
501 N. Loraine
(915) 682-9421, Ext. 201

TECHNICIAN wanted for drug screen collections. Computer, typing skills, and phone experience helpful. Send resume or apply in person at Harrison Labs, 9930 W. Hwy. 80, Mon-

ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN

Major Permian Basin manufacturing company seeking ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN to join our team in producing non-destructive testing equipment for oil field tubular industry. Position is hands-on manufacturing/customer service requiring various talents in mechanical assembly, hard-wire assembly and start-up of electromechanical equipment.

QUALIFICATIONS DESIRED:

- Troubleshoot/repair industrial electronic down to individual PCB components
- Knowledge of use & ability to calibrate recorders, scopes, etc.
- Knowledge of & ability to repair PC's a plus
- Work toward AAS or equivalent electronic experience
- Experiece in oil field installation/mainentance of electronic equipment a plus.

Excellent company benefits include med/dental/life insurance, 401(K), credit union.

Send work history and salary requirements to:

OPERATIONS MANAGER
P.O. BOX 61610
MIDLAND, TX 79711-1610

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310 General Help Wanted

WAITSTAFF now being hired. Established restaurant needs skilled waitstaff willing to work hard for the best tips in town! Apply in person at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri between 8 am & 10 am or 2 pm & 4 pm. NO Phone Calls!

311 Medical Help Wanted

CARE ATTENDANT needed for light housekeeping, laundry, meals, personal care, etc. $4.25 per hour. Interim Health Care, 550-7593.

CERTIFIED NURSING AIDE All shifts. Must be dedicated to long term care. Apply in person: Courtyard Care Center, 3203 Sage 683-5403

INSURANCE /Medicare Clerk for physicians office. Requires computer experience and familiarity with ICD9 and CPT Codes. Send resume to: Box D-47, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

INTERIM HEALTHCARE, Inc. is looking for a part- time Phlebotomist. Must have 1 year experience with adults and children. Call 550-0777 for appointment.

MEDICAL- Interim Health Care Inc. has the following positions available, RN's, LVN's for staff relief only. Call Monday- Friday, 8 am- 5 pm. 550-0777 for appointment.

LVN REQUIRED. Full- time for busy plastic surgeons office. Mail resume to: P. O. Box 9520, Midland Texas 79708 or call 520-5777.

MEDICAL Office Solutions Medical Transcription, 10¢ a line; word processing; forms and layout design; scanning & OCR. Call 694-9609, fax 694-9701.

MEDICATION AIDE. Full time. Great opportunity for caring, dedicated person. Apply in person: Courtyard Care Center, 3203 Sage, 683-5403.

312 Professional Help Wanted

MARKETING Representative - Immediate opening. Engineering, geological or other technical discipline. Market services to petroleum industry companies. Must be professional in every respect. Non- smoking environment. Compensation based upon commissions. Potential management. Immediate income exceeding $50,000 per year. Please submit resumes to: P. O. Box 50187, Midland, TX 79710.

RENTAL/SALES PROFESSIONALS

Action Rent-to-Own is seeking a Rental Clerk with professional appearance. Previous sales and retail experience along with excellent communication skills is required. Bilingual a Plus. Will Train. We offer excellent salary and benefits. Apply in person.

#1 Meta Drive
Village Shopping S/C
Midland, Texas 79701

CUSTOMER SERVICE REP

Action Rent-to-Own is seeking a customer service rep with professional appearance. Involves delivery, collection, and some heavy lifting. H.S. Diploma, 21 years or older, and a good driving record is required. Bilingual a ++. Opportunity for advancement. Will train. We offer excellent salary and benefits including profit sharing and major medical. Apply in person:

#1 Meta Drive
Village Shopping S/C
Midland, Texas 79701

BOOKKEEPER. Position available for full charge oil and gas bookkeeper. OGAS software a plus. Send resume to Box B-27, c/ o the Midland Reporter-Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702

COMPUTER hardware technician. Non smoking environment. Knowledge of UNIX, DOS and WINDOWS desirable. Send resume to: Box 60429, Midland, Texas 79711.

DIRECTOR- Southeast Outreach is a non- profit Corporation. Responsibilities will included: management for the corporation , writing of grants, fund raising, overseeing of staff and the overoll implementation of policies and procedures indicated by the board of directors. Please mail resume to: Southeast Outreach, P. O. Box 50701, Midland Texas 79710.

312 Professional Help Wanted

LAND SECRETARY

Penwell Energy, Inc. is seeking an experienced Land Secretary who is accurate and conscientious. Good word processing skills a must. Some after hours work required. Demeanor to work under occasional pressure a plus. Please contact Steve Foy at 683-2534.

BANK

WESTERN NATIONAL Bank, the Permian Basin's largest independent bank, seeks experienced banking professionals for the following positions:

BRANCH OPERATIONS MANAGER-MIDLAND

PERSONAL BANKER/ NEW ACCOUNTS-ODESSA

COMMERCIAL LOAN SECRETARY- ODESSA

TELLER SUPERVISOR- KERMIT

CREDIT CLERK-ODESSA

Please send resume to: Personnel P. O. Box 4597, Odessa Texas 79760, or please FAX to (915) 334-5525.

SOFTWARE Engineer- Abilene. Experience in Windows, Borland C++ 4.5 and OWL 2.0/MFC are a must. Must enjoy a small team approach to developing software and drug- free environment. Salary commensurate with work experience. Please provide salary requirements, work history and examples of work to: Personnel Manager, P.O. Box 5726, Abilene, Texas 79608.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

PART TIME Secretarial. 1- 5 pm weekdays. W.P. 6.0 experience required. Send resume to: Hello Central, 400 W. Texas, Suite 118, Midland, 79701-4408. No phone calls please.

"FALL IN LOVE" with our office assignments. No fee. Temporary Resources, 684-0527.

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RECEPTIONIST/ SECRETARY- Southeast Outreach is a non- profit Corporation. Responsibilities will included: Secretarial type functions, typing of grants and other assignments issued by the director. Please mail resume to: Southeast Outreach, P. O. Box 50701, Midland Texas 79710.

RECEPTIONIST- Personable individual needed for part- time receptionist. 9 am til 12 noon, Monday thru Friday. Typing skills required for this non-smoking environment. Call 682-5443 to schedule appointment for interview.

SALES SECRETARY- send resume or application to: P.O. Box 4891, Odessa, TX 79761.

SECRETARIAL/ Clerical- Jumburrito Restaurant has position in office. Send resumes to: P.O. Box 50607, Midland, TX 79710.

316 Sales Help Wanted

SALES

INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER

TRAINEE- inside sales leading to position in outside sales and marketing. Requires Bachelor's degree, high mechanical apptidude, verbal & written communication, math skills required. Must be computer literate. Send resumes to:

Box E- 43
Midland Reporter- Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

MARKETING Representative - Immediate opening. Engineering, geological or other technical discipline. Market services to petroleum industry companies. Must be professional in every respect. Non- smoking environment. Compensation based upon commissions. Potential management. Immediate income exceeding $50,000 per year. Please submit resumes to: P. O. Box 50187, Midland, TX 79710.

SALES- Kelly Grimsley Auto Group- due to expansion, requires 2 sales people. Will train the right person. Contact Norman at 2603 E. 8th in Odessa.

318 Sales Help Wanted

SALES- KOSA TV is looking for an experienced account executive for its sales department. Media experience, but others will be considered. Rush resume to: Mike Rodgers, GSM, KOSA TV, 1211 N. Whitaker, Odessa, TX 79763. No phone calls please. Brissette Broadcasting is an equal opportunity employer.

SALES- PRE- PAID Legal Casualty, Inc. is expanding in your area. Salespersons dream. National company offering new service everyone needs and can afford. Advanced commissions paid weekly, free training. Call Nelda Wentworth, Independent Associate, (915) 699-6090 for full details.

SALES- Self motivated individual needed for computer/ copier sales. Experience a plus. Salary plus commission. Call 570-8239.

318 Management Help Wanted

MANAGER TRAINEES are needed for a growing company. Retail atmosphere, fixed salary, paid training, must be willing to relocate. Please bring resume by 426 Andrews Hwy.

320 Skilled Trades

CONSTRUCTION- NEEDED experience Scraper Operators for work in the Midland area. For information call (817) 842-5878.

CODE WELDERS

PBP Fabrication, Inc.
1117 South Tripp AVE.
Odessa, TX 79764

For ASME Code Shop

Paying $12.00 an hour; Working 6/10 hour days. Must pass 2" & 8" 6G Test. Must apply in person. Drug test required.

915-381-5547

OIL FIELD- HIRING immediately rig hand. Willing to travel. CDL preferred but not necessary Salary D. O. E. Please leave message. 683-9479.

MACHINIST with tools needed. Full- time. Mill and lathe experience necessary. Call 563-4509.

LICENSED Professional Plumbers earn professional wages at MR. ROOTER. Now hiring!! 570-7473.

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MECHANIC

Have immediate opening for a Caterpillar diesel engine field mechanic with at least 5 years experience. Must have own tools. Apply in person at 713 W. 2nd Street, Odessa, TX.

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OIL FIELD- EXPERIENCED driver, oil field production tank mover. CDL license required. Will be drug tested. Mail references to: Box F-21, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

OIL FIELD- WANTED: Heavy Equipment Mechanic and Welder. Send resume to: Box F-22 , c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

330 Employment Wanted

RELAX!! Let me help you with your house work. Midland and Greenwood area. References available. Call 682-7365.

335 Adult Care Needed

ELDERLY LADY Needs Caretaker Couple for her and her yard on Ranch in Greenwood area. Small house provided rent free plus salary. Call 684-6094.

336 Adult Care Providers

CERTIFIED Nurses Aide will care for your loved ones while you work. Please call 682-4738.

IN-HOME Care will provide sitters, nurses aides and nurses for the elderly and disabled at reasonable rates. Call 520-4425.

MORNING GLORY- Will care for your loved ones in our Christian home. References. Professional Staff. Call 697-8749.

340 Child Care Needed

PART TIME Nursery- local church needs experienced worker. Clean, dependable, own transportation, non- smoking environment. References required. Contact Sam Matlock, 694-3269

NANNY /Housekeeper. Monday thru Friday 8 AM - 5:00 PM. 1 full time child, 3 after school. Must be dependable and a non smoker. Position requires, childcare, cleaning, laundry, shopping and errands. Please send references to P.O. box 53, Midland, 79702

RESPONSIBLE babysitter needed for 2 year old in my home on Fridays. 684-8010

NEEDED reliable, honest baby sitter, to care for 2 children in our home. Transportation and references required. Christian, non- smoking environment. 7:30 am- 4:30 pm, Monday thru Friday. Call 697-5914, leave message

341 Child Care Providers

CHILD CARE for Ages 2 and up. 7 days a week. 7 am -10 pm. 694-6575.

210 Automobiles Imports | 210 Automobiles Imports

250 Recreation Vehicles

HUNTER's Special: '71 Holliday Camper trailer, 20', sleeps six if friendly, 4 if not. $1,800/ best offer. 699-0665.

INSIDE SECURED STORAGE for motorhomes, RVs and other vehicles. Call for rates and availability (915) 570-5157.

260 Boats & Motors

FOR SALE: Metal Flat bottom boat. $350. 683-2995.

CHAMPION 1991 20' Bass boat. Motor 200 XP Evinrude. Full Lorance electronics, lake ready, garage kept. Low hours. 694-4031.

16 FT ALUMINUM Flat bottom River Boat. Very solid with trailer. $950. Call 685-3746, 685-4078.

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LEARN TO Fly! Skywest Airport. Rentals, service, fuel, lounge. The Friendly Airport! 682-5055, 559-2605.

290 Parts Accessories

CHEVROLET 1985 Shortbed stepside pickup. Good tires, no motor or transmission. $700. 570-1809.

REMANUFACTURED - ENGINES. Tune- ups, brakes, air conditioning, diagnostics. Ron's Engines, 685-1076 or 1-800-974-1076.

305 Job Services

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310 General Help Wanted

LOUNGE- Accepting applications for bar back and porter positions. Must be TABC certified. Apply in person between 12- 2 pm, 6- 8 pm, 1006 S. Midkiff.

APARTMENT MAINTENANCE Needed. A/ C Certification required. Competitive salary and benefits. Apply in person or call for appointment, Garden Court Apartments, 2301 N. Pecos, Midland, 683-9270.

BARTENDERS, Club Oasis. Apply in person 5- 7 pm at the Desert Inn Motel, 3101 Bankhead Hwy.

BARTENDERS- Club Oasis. Apply in person, 5- 7 pm at The Desert Inn Motel, 3101 Bankhead Hwy.

CURIOSITY CORNER

MICROWAVE Oven. Yours for only $40 or best offer. Phone 694-9491 afternoon or evening.

341 Child Care Providers

PLAY & LEARN Day Care. Now have opening in my home, ages 0 and up. Monday thru Saturday 6 -10, meals and snacks. Call 520-2493.

REGISTERED Family Home. Christian mom offers loving alternative to day care. 2 openings- 18 months to 4 years. 697-1722.

I HAVE OPENINGS for child care in my home. Ages 0 to 5 years. Call 697-6715.

360 Business Opportunities

NEW MULTI- Level Marketing Business Opportunity. Huge income potential. No sales required. Informational meeting, November 3- 4, 1995. 520-2507, Eddie, 684-7800, Brian.

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Attention Readers

Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract.

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CONVENIENCE Store- Building, all equipment, inventory and land. Profitable. For Sale- Health reasons. P. O. Box 103, Midland, Tx, 79702.

WORLD WIDE leader in air compressors is looking for dealers to join its' family of small (2- 50 H.P.) compressor representatives. if you are looking for a product that sells itself by its' quality and superior reputation contact, Eric or Chris @ (800) 462-0255.

DO IT ONCE! Become your own boss! Full or part time. Free training. No investment. Come by 206 N. Midkiff, Suite 2C (between T & T Donuts & Church's Chicken) 10 am- 6 pm Monday through Friday.

NO Experience Necessary! $500 to $900 weekly/ potential. Processing Mortgage Refunds Own Hours. Call (818) 583-3294 Ext 634, (24 hours).

FOR SALE: UMBERSON soft-water dispensing units and allied equipment and supplies. Call Trey Edwards 682-2682, 694-0040.

GET REAL Estate license quickly. Short state courses. Day, Weekend or evening Southwest College, 697-7277.

RETAIL GOURMET Food Store and Catering Business/ Kitchen for sale. Direct inquiries to "Owner," P.O. Box 10833, Midland, Texas 79702.

DO YOU HAVE a unique product or invention you would like to promote? Call me 915-393-5707.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

PLAYHOUSE for sales. finished inside with carpet. 699-6551.

RESTHAVEN MEMEORIAL Park. 1 lot, 4 Spaces. Garden of Devotion. $1200 each. Call 915-684-5462 for more information.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

COMPONENT System- 100 watt stereo, CD, cassett, phonograph, receiver, 10 band equilizer. Asking $175. 520-8998.

LET ME BE YOUR D.J. New Years Parties, 50's Parties, Anniversary Parties, etc. Call 686-9036.

FOUR A T & T #722 speaker phones - 2- line telephone system. $300. One NEC cellular phone #3800- $75. All like new. Call: 685-1731.

RESTHAVEN- Masonic plot, section 184, space 1 & 2. $800 per space. Call Harkey Funeral Home, (915) 943-4311.

RESTHAVEN. The only family plots left in Garden of Hope. 6 spaces together, Lots 72, 73, 74 with 2 plots in each lot. $5,700. Call 682-8227.

CLOTHES RACKS- Chrome, round, $35. Hangers of all types. Glass shelves and accessories- much more. Rainbow Trade Center. 570-4408.

HOSPITAL bed- electric $400; wheel chairs $100; port-a- potty $40; walker $30. 10 am- 4 pm, 503 Solomon Lane. 687-2018.

INSIDE SECURED STORAGE for motorhomes, RVs and other vehicles. Call for rates and availability (915) 570-5157.

L SHAPED desk, 8 drawers, glass topped. $150. Call 689-3620 evenings.

JOHN DEERE 18 inch trimmer, $50. 9 HP nding, $800. 2 dog houses, medium, $20, large $30. Large hand- made afghans, $50 each. 1 knitted, 3 crocheted. 520-8934.

AMANA 25 cu. ft. side by side refrigerator, like new. $700. Schwinn 12 speed racing bicycle. 520-3165.

SW BELL Telecom Matrix 616 Telephone System. 13 desk phones, $850. 682-7332, 8- 5, 689-8270 after 5.

★ MUMS AND GARTERS. Very reasonable. Call 520-0810.

3 BABY Swings (2 wind up & 1 hangs from ceiling), stroller, car seats. 687-3539.

1 WAY TICKET anywhere Southwest Airlines flies, $175. 570-9005.

HERBALIFE Distributor for products or opportunity. Call 697-1610 or 687-5061.

HARDWOOD Lumber- 4/4 and 8/4 in walnut and cherry, kiln dried. 682-5773.

❤ JAFRA Cosmetics International. Skin, nail and body care. Gift baskets and certificates available. Call Johni.694-3883.

CLOSEOUT on Display Model Spas. Up to 40% off. Financing and delivery available. Call 563-3108.

DOG HOUSES, new $35- $45. Glider swings $65. Porch swings, $35. Childs picnic table $35. Call 563-0452.

REPOSSESSED self propelled Kirby Generation 4 with attachments. 3 year warranty. $414.80 total price. 520-6464.

MARY KAY SELL OUT! 10% Off. Call 682-5518 or 570-4501.

SPACE HEATERS, stoves, mowers, golf clubs, barstools, furniture, dinettes/ cabinets, guaranteed appliances, coolers, Volkswagen. 570-4851.

PERSIAN rug- 1920 "Kerman". 10' x 14', appraised at $7,900, will sell for $3,950. 570-9005.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

SAVE MONEY! E-Force (advertised on TV) ONLY $225 cash and carry. Also counter top water contaner/ dispenser, Ivory with mushroom print on front, $30. 915-684-5418.

413 Jewelry & Furs

BEAUTIFUL Diamond Marquee ring and matching band. Great price. Must see to appreciate. Gloria, 687-1425.

1.142 Carat marquis diamond ring, 14 k yellow gold. Have appraisal $3,500. 570-8444.

2 BEAUTIFUL rings. Original design. 4.5 carat blue star Sapphire with 12 cut diamonds. One, 3 diamond ring, 1.5 carat total weight. Must see to appreciate. 699-5447.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

WANTED: Indian Arrow heads, small or large collection. 520-0238.

420 Good Things To Eat

LARGE GREEN Tomatoes, other vegetables. 50c a lb. You pick. No jobbers. Closed Sunday. 14678 Pecan Street, Gardendale. 362-5708.

430 Household Goods

COMPLETE ANTIQUE white Twin size bedroom suite with waterbed. Call 520-2038, leave message.

KING size bedroom set $800; Drexel 11 piece dining suite $1,400; Spinet piano $500; desk & misc. tables, chairs 10 am- 4 pm, 503 Solomon Lane. 687-2018.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards and Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

GOOD used Kirby vacuum cleaners, $35 each. 903 S. Midkiff. 520-6464.

26" SANYO remote control color TV. Like new, $225 or best offer. 520-4171.

BEAUTIFUL sofa and chair, much walnut trim, Drexel sofa table, unusual lighted china cabinet, small velvet love seat, antique brass headboard, queen size bedroom suite. Serious inquires only. 684-3784.

FOR SALE: sofa, matching chair and coffee table. Call 520-3076.

KING size waterbed complete, motionless mattress, 2 end tables, 2 table lamps mauve in color, black leather reclining swivel chair & ottoman, occasional chair. 694-4993 anytime.

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KENMORE 19 cu ft Frostfree refrigerator, $150. Washer-dryer set, $150. 685-3125.

DINING table & 4 chairs $200. Call 694-0502, after 6 pm.

430 Household Goods

KITCHEN TABLE 41"X58" Oval White and Green Marbleized formica with six chairs. Good condition. $150. 682-4145.

WEIDER DUAL stack home gym $275, king waterbed with headboard & 6 drawers $175, super twin waterbed with headboard & 6 drawers $150. 697-0183.

★ 100.00 EACH. Washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves. 90 Day Warranty. Free Delivery. Buy- Sell- Repair. 550-6540, Pager 560-0856.

KING SIZED waterbed, mirrored headboard, 6 drawer under dresser. $200. Call 697-5526 after 4 pm.

FACTORY Second Spas- 3 only! Free cover, free chemical kit. Financing and delivery available. Call 563-3108.

2 TEAL Green La-Z-Boy recliners; beige sectional with sleeper. Call 685-3328.

KENMORE side by side refrigerator freezer. 20 cu. ft. with ice maker, white, one year old. Asking $700. 520-4138, if no answer, please leave message.

3 MONTH old black canopy bed, queen size. $250. 580-7688 between 2:30- 5 or after 9:30 pm.

LARGE Colonial dining room table, 7 chairs $600. Large microwave $150. Please call 684-5136.

✔ THE CONSIGNMENT COLLECTION- Fantastic first 3 weeks! Nearly Sold Out! Let me sell your quality furniture, antiques and decorative items. Judy Jackson, 3211 N. Midkiff, #6, Imperial Shopping Center. 689-3536.

25" RCA CONSOLE Television. 9 years old, not cable ready, but works great. $75. 699-1731.

GIRLS Bedroom suite: dresser & mirror, twin trundle bed, headboard/ footboard, $300. 694-7408, leave message.

KENMORE dryer, white, $75. G. E. washer, white, needs pump, $25. Call 563-5376.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

REFRIGERATOR/ Top freezer, 17 cu. ft. Kenmore Coldspot, with ice maker, clean and good condition. Asking $250. 683-2908.

LITTON double oven/ microwave electric range, steel desk and chair, twin bed and frame. 694-8281.

BEDROOM FURNITURE- Cherry wood, full size bed, including headboard/ footboard, bedding, dresser, and mirror. $500. 694-8947.

SOFA & LOVESEAT, Pastel colors, good shape. $200. Akai receiver $15, graphic equalizers. 20 band $25, 10 band $10. After 5 pm, 694-7021.

NEED GOOD USED FURNITURE. Buy, sell, trade. Rowe's New & Used. 1211 S. Big Spring. 687-5966.

440 Firewood

MIXED FIREWOOD for sale. $55 larger stack, delivery available. Call 699-7358.

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DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453-2151.

GOOD Firewood! Oak or Mesquite. Call Larry Tucker at 689-7151.

440 Firewood

HONDO VALLEY FIREWOOD, 3015 Garden City Highway. All types firewood, wood burning stoves & fireplace accessories. 694-4818.

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$99 CONCEALED hand gun license classes. RAM Enterprises, 697-1371.

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DEER BLINDS, tripods, feeders and corn. Terry's Trailers, 1403 Garden City Hwy., 688-5198.

MASTER Gun Smith. Service, repair, & engraving. By appointment only. Please call (915) 684-0809, 1-800-327-0809.

NORDICFLEX Gold Strength Training Machine. 32 exercises, including butterfly attachment, barely used. $650. 686-0207.

SAVE MONEY! E-Force (advertised on TV) $225 cash and carry. 915-684-5418.

460 Antiques & Art

ANTIQUE FURNITURE FOR LE$S Unit #3. Advantage Storage , 5000 N. Lamesa and Soloman Lane. Open Fridays-Saturdays, 10- 5.

BEAUTIFUL China Cabinets, kitchen cabinet, pine wash stand with marble top and back, beautiful carved oak desk, all area rugs 50% off. AM & FM Antiques & Gifts, 1025 N. Dixie, Odessa, 332-7490.

VISIT The Doll House - Antiques Etc., Plaza Center, Wadley & Garfield. 682-9257.

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS, Odessa Collectors Corner, 817 N. Meadow, 10- 50% OFF. Everything Must Go!

NITA'S STAINED GLASS. Free Estimates. Windows, doors, side lights, cabinets, repairs, gifts, supplies. 515 W. 42nd, Odessa, 550-2555.

THE Cats Meow Antique Mall. 408 Andrews Highway, Monday - Saturday, 10 - 6. We buy and sell antiques. (915) 687-2004.

ANTIQUE PIANO. Good condition. Call 697-4433.

✔ THE CONSIGNMENT COLLECTION- Fantastic first 3 weeks! Nearly Sold Out! Let me sell your quality furniture, antiques and decorative items. Judy Jackson, 3211 N. Midkiff, #6, Imperial Shopping Center. 689-3536.

MIDLAND ESTATE SALES AND AUCTION SERVICE. Call Judy Jackson 682-6147 or Dawna Keith 683-9234.

470 Musical Instruments

PIANO for sale. Wanted: Responsible party to take on small monthly payments on console piano. See locally. (800) 635-7611.

485 Electronics

SONY Detachable face CD player, 2 Boston acoustic 5 1/4's, 2 Alpine 6x9's, 2 Pioneer tweeters, JBL 1200, 2 JBL 15's (1000 watts each) subwoofers. 699-5832.

PILOT 7 piece stereo with 2 speakers. $500. Good condition. 699-5832.

10' SATELLITE DISH with SRD-4000 Receiver/ Descrambler, $600. 683-9400.

490 Computers & Accessories

✔✔★✔✔ INTERNET ACCESS. Call 687-9014 for details. ✔✔★✔✔

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79701

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79703

PATIO SALE! Gas range, cookware, cabinet TV, dishes, credenza, appliances, square dance dresses size 18, odds n ends! Friday- Saturday, 9 am- 5 pm. 4304 Tanner Dr.

GARAGE SALE, 4616 Bowie, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 8- ? Lots of everything.

ESTATE SALE- 3410 Sentinel, Home, furniture, dishes, childrens bikes, washer, dryer, much miscellaneous. Friday-Saturday, 9- 5.

ESTATE SALE. Tools, gun case, fishing, camping, glassware, Depression, kitchen, lamps, toy box, table, books, much misc. Thursday only 8 am. 3612 Bedford (corner of Godfrey).

79705

FRIDAY 10 am -1 pm, Saturday 9 am- 12 noon. Refrigerator, twin bed, boys, bikes, TV, other furniture. 713 W. Dormard.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ESTATE SALE, 1011 Ventura, Thursday- Saturday, 8:30- 6. Livingroom, bedroom furniture, side by side fridge, washer, dryer, microwave, china cabinet, buffet cabinet, lamps, tables, chairs, many books, records, potty chair, walker, Oriental prints, decorative tems, chaise lounge, much miscellaneous. Handled By Floy Maberry.

FRIDAY- SATURDAY, 7:30- 5. 2819 Shandon. Bedroom set, couch, love seat, clothes.

79705

2504 CIMMARON. Thursday 8:30 -5:30. Saturday 1/2 price sale 9 -1. Dinette set, TV tables, desk, rabbit cage, recliner with heater vibrator. Clothes: womens 10 -16, girls 12 -14, mens. Fixtures, games, stuffed animals, dot matrix printer, lots more.

FRIDAY- SATURDAY, 8 am. 1201 W Pecan. Small appliances, hunting and fishing gear, exercise equipment, trombone, glassware, dishes, dolls, clothes, much miscellaneous!!

2300 W. DENGAR. Thursday, noon, Friday- Saturday, 9- 6. Apartment clothes dryer, Propane heaters, patio furniture, stereo speakers, skis and ski clothing, boys clothing 1 thru 16, Junior and Misses clothing, coats, books, toys, furniture, aluminum mag wheels and much more.

GARAGE (NESTING) SALE! Pregnant mom cleaning house out! Lots of goodies for sale! Girls clothes size 10-14, some never worn, womens size 8-10, womens shoes size 8N, mens XL, luggage, matching sink, toilet, mirror, various household fixtures and kitchen items all in very good condition. Saturday only, 8:30- 5:30. 2208 Sinclair.

MULTI FAMILY Sale- 1605 Gulf Ave., Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 9- 1. Stereo, refrigerator/ freezer, bicycle, king- bed, bedding, coats, formal, mens clothing, lots of girls and womens clothing.

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GARAGE SALE- 2311 Stanolind, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8 am- 5:30 pm. TV, Christmas decorations, mens/ ladies and childrens clothing, vacuum cleaner, toy box, books, patio table, piece goods, bicyle.

GARAGE SALE- G. E. gas dryer, clothing and miscellaneous. Friday, 9- 2:30, 2220 Cimmaron.

1200 CASTLEFORD Road (in alley), Friday 9- 2, Saturday 9- 5. Kids clothes, toys, goodies.

3 FAMILY MOVING SALE! Friday- Saturday, 9- 4. 1608 Ventura. Tools, yard, household, fishing.

4 FAMILY SALE! Wednesday & Thursday 9 am, 700 W. Scharbauer, Cottage #30 (behind Wolfe's Nursery). Car magazine collection, lawn mower, mens, womens & childrens clothes- cheap. Tons of stuff!

COUCH, love seat, matching dining chairs, lamp, bedspreads, wallpaper, TV, baby items, quality clothes infant, size 6 girls, boys 5- 6, womens, mens. 1803 Kensington- in Polo Park (enter alley from Devonshire Court). Thursday, 7:30, Closed Friday, Saturday 7:30.

2502 NEELY- Friday- Saturday, 8:30- 6. Tools, cookbooks, other books, blankets, port-a-crib, bassinet, kitchenware, furniture, adult clothes, miscellaneous.

79706

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★ 3309 NEELY - DON'T Miss Our Savior's Lutheran Church fall garage sale, Nov. 4th from 8- 4. A Must See!

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3 BEDROOM, 2 living areas, 2 bath, Central air, 2 car garage, Excellent location. Walking distance to Lee High/ Rusk. No pets. $750 month. 694–0537.

2 BEDROOM, quiet street, nice neighborhood. West Side fenced yard, washer dryer connections. Very clean. $395. 684–5632.

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FOR LEASE: 1 bedroom apartment in country. All bills paid. $200- $250 month plus deposit. 4613 Rankin Hwy. 687-6388.

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NICE 2 bedroom, 1 bath, washer- dryer connections. $285-month. 300 E Nobles. 694–9853.

NICE 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, carport, refrigerated air, $435/ month, November 1st. Agent. 694–9853.

SMALL 1 Bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen. Utilities paid. $180 monthly, $50 deposit. Please Call 687–2221.

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FIXER Upper. 400 W. Liddon. 2 Bedroom, large yard, $8,000 firm. 683-3296. Monday - Thursday.

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FOR LEASE IN FANNIN
1500 W. Pine
4 Bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, 2 car garage. All new paint and carpet. Available November 1st. $975 per month, $900 deposit. 1 year lease preferred. Call Amy or Cory 683-5807.

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2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, carport. Refrigerated air, range, breakfast bar plus dining room. Nice and clean. No pets. $450 monthly, plus deposit. Martha Galyean, Agent. 689–0776.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, 2 car garage, fireplace, dishwasher. $650 month, 1st and last months rent to move in. 550–6412.

READY to move in! 3 bedroom 2 bath duplex. 4404 A Thomason; all appliances, washer/ dryer hookup, central air, fireplace, fenced backyard, garage with opener. No pets. $550 rent plus deposit. 699-6258.

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, central air, fresh paint, garage, fenced yard, west side. $525. 684–4635.

625 Houses Unfurnished

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2 BEDROOM, 2 bath mobile home in country, good well water. Call 682–6108.

2 Bedroom, Semi- furnished. Fenced. Greenwood Schools. Off 158 and 1140 S. 557-2432, 682–8787.

2 MOBILE HOMES recently remodeled, some new carpet, cedar picket fence. $300, $150 deposit. All $450 required. References. 550–7505, 563-3510.

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660 Mobile Home Space for Rent

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667 Commercial Property

FOR LEASE: 1900 sq. ft. high traffic area. Ideal for any type business. 2 large overhead doors and nice office. 3201 C. West Front. 682–3427.

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Ba	Bath
Kit	Kitchen
Dbl	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm	Master Bdrm
Gar	Garage
Bldg	Building
Cond	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying Assumable
QA	Qualifying Assumable
Ac	Acre
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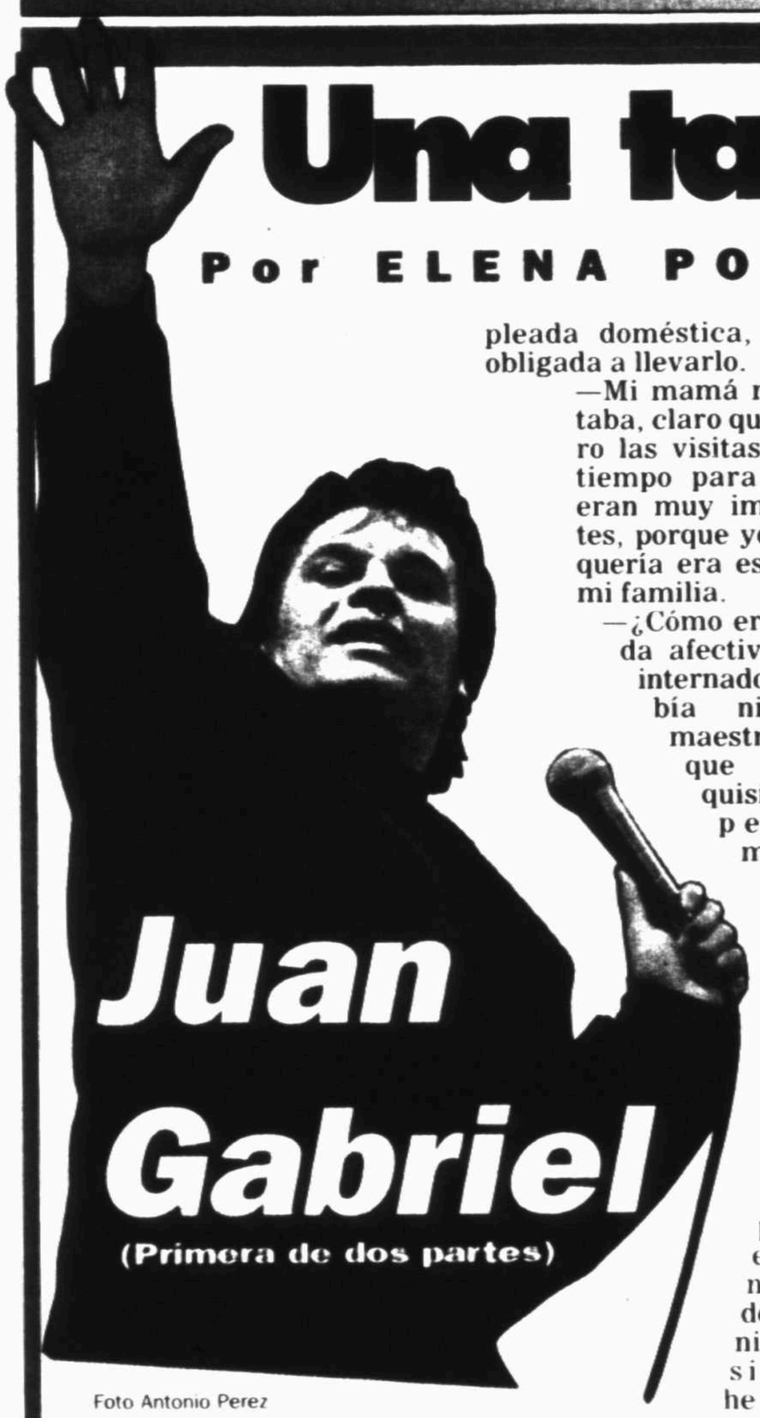


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Por ELENA PONIATOWSKA

—A ver, ¿qué me quiere preguntar, madrecita? Porque yo tengo muchas cosas que decirle, ¿eh? Lo que más me gusta a mí en la vida es superarme. Creo haber tenido la oportunidad de nacer; es un gran triunfo que no cualquiera ha conseguido, dado que son grandes cantidades de espermatozoides y solamente uno llega. De allí en adelante creo que tiene uno la obligación de ser cada día mejor como ser humano.

Juanga empieza a hablar de su infancia, de la tristeza vivida en un internado al que su mamá, por tener que trabajar muy duro como empleada doméstica, se vio obligada a llevarlo.

—Mi mamá me visitaba, claro que sí, pero las visitas en ese tiempo para mí no eran muy importantes, porque yo lo que quería era estar con mi familia.

—¿Cómo era su vida afectiva en el internado? ¿Había niños o maestros a los que usted quisiera especialmente?

—Sí. La tristeza era no estar con la familia, con mi mamá, pero en el internado, todo era bonito. Yo siempre he dicho que a los hijos no se les debe internar; que lo primero que se les debe dar es amor, amor, porque con amor crecen muy bonitos, y si a esto se les agrega alimentación sana, muchísimo más todavía.

Pero volviendo al internado, en él había varios talleres. Ahí es donde yo de chiquito conocí a un señor que se llamó Juan, ya murió, y él fue quien me enseñó a trabajar hojalatería. Por él fue que me puse yo Juan, y Gabriel por mi papá. Cuando cumplí 14 años me salí del internado, porque yo ya alcanzaba todo, y me escapé.

—¿Ah sí? ¿Solito se escapó?

—Sí, y me fui no tanto porque quisiera irme con mi familia, con mi mamá; ¿cómo no me escapé antes, si yo era el que salía a tirar la basura? Siempre volvía. Pero cuando vi que se iban tantos amigos, eso me dolía, y por e o un día también yo me quise ir.

Aprendió a creer en sí mismo

—¿Se escapaban también?

—No, ya iban por ellos sus papás. Algunos sí se escapaban pero por otras razones, eran más listos. Yo estaba muy chiquito, pero entonces aprendí que uno se podía escapar. Y lo hice... Me acostumbré a estar solo, y empecé a trabajar cantando. Desde entonces, cuando estoy angustiado o tengo problemas, a quien invoco es a mi mamá, porque para mí es lo más importante, aunque tuve que perdonarle el haberme dejado así solito.

—¿Y cómo se llamaba su mamá?

Victoria Valadés. Por eso también digo que a mí no me podía haber ido mal en la vida, porque nací de una Victoria.

Ríe. Monsiváis le pregunta:

—¿Cómo ves que la canción de tu madre se haya convertido en un himno?

—Pues mira, las cosas que salen del corazón y que tocan otros corazones, pues se tienen que convertir en éxitos...

Las mujeres en su vida

—¿Siente que vivimos en una época en que a las mujeres todavía les va muy mal, que es mejor nacer hombre que mujer?

—Pues mire, yo creo que es una bendición nacer mujer porque dan la vida; de la mujer depende todo. Ella debe estar más capacitada inclusive que un hombre.

—¿Usted cree que su éxito depende de su madre, o de alguna mujer?

—Mi éxito depende de un cúmulo de cosas, porque cada persona sembró en mí cosas muy interesantes y cosas muy feas, pero yo escogí las buenas, y sí, hubo muchas mujeres en mi vida; la primordial es mi madre, la segunda mi hermana, la tercera la profesora Micaela, y más tarde muchas señoras que me dieron mucho cariño. Hay muchas madres que me quieren mucho en la República Mexicana y en muchísimas partes del mundo; que rezan por mí, me dan su bendición, y yo me siento muy protegido, muy bendecido.

—Bueno, de la canción ésta que le decía Carlos que es un himno a las madres...

—"Amor eterno". Sí, es una canción que yo le escribí a mi mamá. Nunca pensé que lograra el éxito que alcanzó, porque no se trató de un chantaje. Yo hago las cosas no para vender, sino las hago porque yo nací con ese don de escribir, de expresar lo que siento.

Yo Elena, por mi parte, si fuera el Papa y anduviera en papamóvil turbo, ya le tendría su altar en la Basílica de San Pedro y habría escrito una oración al milagroso San Juangacito por el favor concedido. Después de esta entrevista, cada vez que escucho el nombre de Juan Gabriel agarro mi rosario y le doy duro a las jaculatorias: Torre de Marfil, ruega por nosotros. Arca de la Alianza, compónnos una canción. Cetro de la Gracia, cántanos alguito. Cordero de Dios que qui- tas el peçado del mundo, libra a San Juangacito de las disqueras abusivas y consérvale de planta sus ángeles guardianes especialistas en derecho de autor. ❑

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Community/Comunidad

This weekend, all roads lead to Terlingua

BY: JEFFERY MCDONALD

Like Lancelot du Lac bnd Don Quixote de la Mancha, Joseph Gonzales of Midland is a man with a mission. Most every weekend of the year, you can find him in a parking lot or fair grounds somewhere in Texas, seeking the perfect combination of meat and spices."

"I've been to a bunch of these things," said Gonzales, a self-employed handyman, and chili cookoff enthusiast. "They're fun, you know, but they're serious, too. I mean real serious. It's kind of like some kind of battle at these things sometimes."

There's a war being fought across the nation, with battles raging from coast to coast. Observers like Rodriguez state that the fighting has been particularly fierce along the Texas-New Mexico state line. This past weekend saw a series of skirmishes take place in Odessa, McCamey and Fort Stockton - all way stations on the road to Terlingua.

At the heart of the war is the question, "Exactly who does make the best 'bowl of red'?" The question is asked nearly every weekend at a chili cookoff somewhere in the United States, as it was in Midland for the 1995 Menudo Cookoff & Family Festival this past July. As it was in Fort Stockton for the 1995 Road to Terlingua Chili Cookoff this past weekend.

Those who doubt the seriousness of the dispute have never been in the tiny town of Terlingua, in the heart of Texas' "Big Bend" country, for the International Chili Championship. It is here that question of who makes the best chili is settled once-and-for-all . . . or at least for another year, until the first Saturday of November comes along next year, and it's time to settle the question again.

Ramon Garcia of Harlingen, in Texas' Lower Rio Grande Valley, has been trying to answer that question for ten years. A devoted chili cook and aficionado, Garcia was attending a series of West Texas ; chili cookoffs this past weekend, seeking the coveted points that are needed for an invitation to next year's championship.

"The first few years, I just kind of went, and I'd help somebody else do the cooking," he said. "But about five years ago, I started doing it myself, doing my own spices, entering cookoffs on my own. And I do all right. But someday, man, I want to go and cook at Terlingua!"

In recent years, the battle has become particularly heated - and not just on the palette - as Texas and New Mexico have squared off over the bragging rights of which state serves the best bowl of chili. This partieular battle has been waged on the floors of the United State Congress in Washington, and at events such as the Texas-New Mexico Wine & Chili War Festival, which is held Memorial Day Weekend, in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

"We have five categories in the chili cookoff," said Bill Gomez, an extension economnist at New Mexico State University, and an organizer of the festival. "Red Chili, Green Chili, Salsa, Unique Çhili - which is where people add all kinds of unique, weird stuff - and Texas Chili, which is a CASI cookoff and amateur competition. We have four other categories for the real chili lovers, and one for the Texans!"

Of course, even in the most heated competitions, there is plenty of time for amusement and recreation, and plenty of fun. Some who attend cookoffs go as much for the show as for anything else. While competing in the cooking categories, teams will also be competing for showmanship awards. In fact, most cookoffs are like; one endess, multi-media party, saturating the senses with music, dancing, comedy routines, costumes, and even a gunfight or two.

"The hardest part is when you die and you fall down on the hot pavement," said David Rodriguez, immediately following one such gunfight as entertainment for the Fort Stockton cookoff last weekend. "But everybody gets a chance to shoot and get shot."

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Latinos Poised to March on Washington

Bolstered by the Million Man March, organizers of Campaign '96 are preparing for the first ever national rally of Latinos to the steps of the Capitol--the same place where, last year, a small group of politicos declared a Contract on America.

While the recent march of African American men was a ritual of atonement, Latinos say their march to Washington in October '96 must be a rite of affirmation, to "welcome ourselves to America."

"If nobody else will welcome us, we will welcome ourselves," says Juan Jose Gutierrez, national coordinator of "Coordinadora '96--Campaign '96."

And it must be a march of families and in the tradition of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who always said the civil rights movement was fundamentally a spiritual movement.

"The purpose of the march is to affirm that we are part of the American family, not bastard children," says Gutierrez.

Government statistics show that urban Latinos generally suffer the same socio-economic conditions as urban African Americans. In addition, they must also contend with anti-immigrant hysteria and an attack against their language and culture, evidenced by the English-only movement. This, despite the fact that more than 95 percent of Latinos, including many whose roots predate Columbus, are U.S. citizens and permanent residents, not undocumented immigrants.

Commenting on the recent march, Roberto Maestas, executive director of SeattleUs El Centro de La Raza community center, says: "It was an amazing statement. America is a ticking time bomb. It must confront its racism, or pay a price.

"In 1996, we need to send America another message--to fulfill its commitment to all Americans."

What the march showed us, says Sylvia Puente, director of public policy and advocacy for ChicagoUs Latino Institute, is that AmericaUs fixation on immigrants has been a subterfuge to avoid dealing with the nationUs racial and social divide. The scapegoating of immigrants has allowed the nation to avoid dealing with AmericaUs real problems.

Contrary to the historic myth that Latinos are passive, last year, more than a million people spontaneously protested CaliforniaUs anti-immigrant Proposition 187. The protests climaxed with a 150,000-strong march in front of Los Angeles City Hall that included a cross section of the



Latino community, from junior high school students to teachers to Mexican rodeo and social clubs. Throughout the 1980s, Central Americans across the country marched to halt U.S. intervention in their homelands. Similarly, the Cuban community brought Miami to a standstill earlier this year when they protested the incarceration of Cuban refugees in Guantanamo Bay.

"WeUre under attack. WeUre at war," says Pedro Aviles, director of the Latino Civil Rights Task force in Washington D.C. who led a contingent of Latinos at the recent march. The Salvadoran leader promises 100,000 Latinos from the D.C., Maryland and Virginia areas, saying that the march should appeal to the broad and diverse Latino communities that include Central Americans, Mexicans, Mexican Americans, Puerto Ricans, Dominicans and Cubans, whether Democrat or Republican.

Affirming that we are part of America resonates with Latinos on the East Coast, says Marta Moreno Vega, founder of the Caribbean Cultural Center in New York City. Caribbean Latinos, particularly Puerto Ricans--who are U.S. citizens--are the victims of American societyUs perception that they are not real Americans.

To stage a successful gathering, says Moreno Vega, "Latinos need to embrace their own native roots and African roots--it should be in solidarity with the African American community." And, she adds, "We have to go as families." While many Latino men are in prison and the youth are killing each other, says Moreno Vega, the women are also suffering.

A march involving Latinos must not focus on waiting for the government to solve our problems, but serve as a spiritual reflection of who we are, says Gloria Romero, a scholar and activist from California State University in Los Angeles. "We have to look at our own bigotry, our own self-hatred and our own hatred of immigrants. We need to look at our own house."

Sylvia Puente of the Latino Institute concurs. Organizing around personal responsibility is key to dealing with our communityUs problems, including youth gangs. "We must teach the youth that genocide is not the answer."

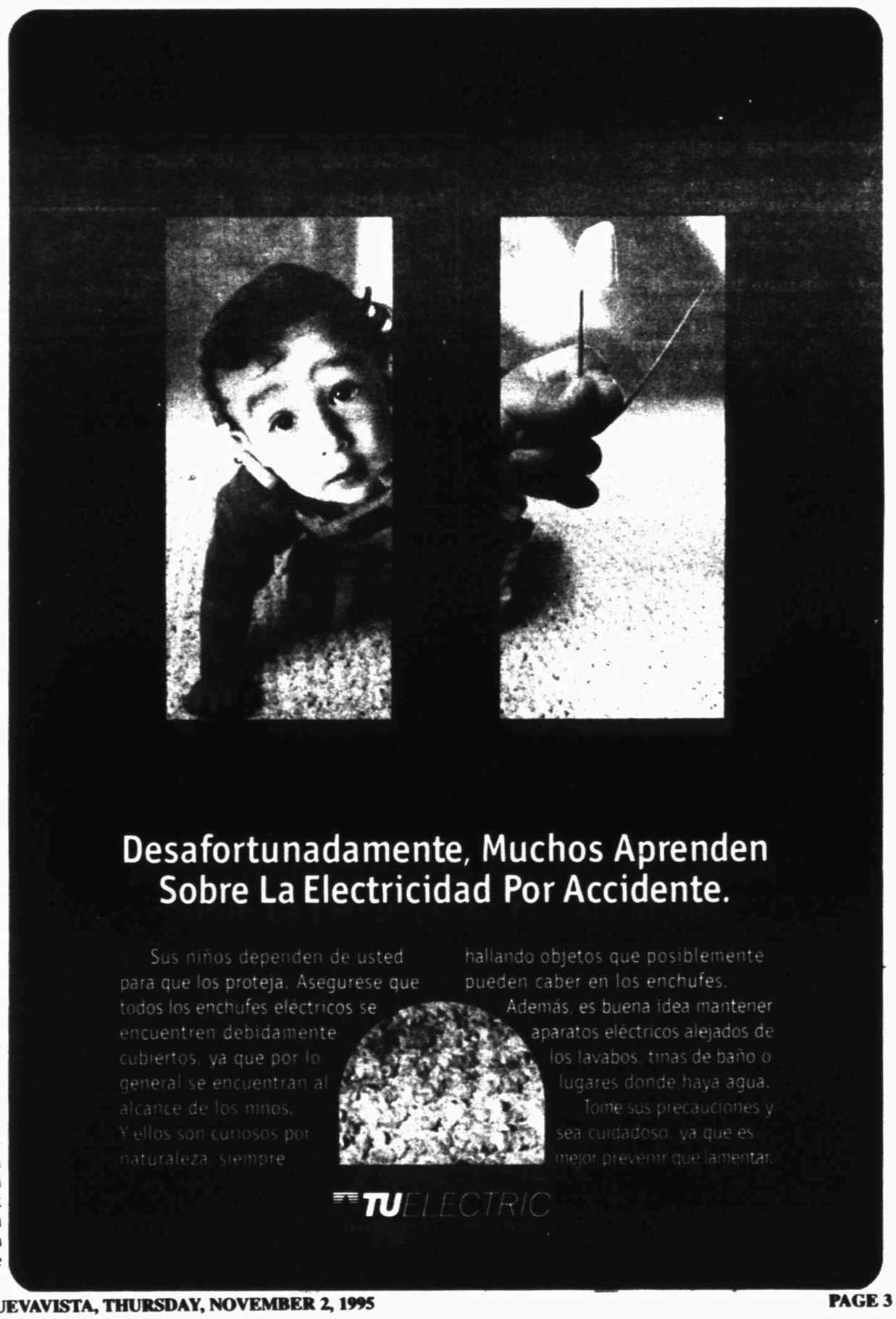
Sofia Martinez, a member of the Southwest Organizing Project in Albuquerque, adds that the march must be multiracial and "It has to be against racism. And while we must focus on ourselves, whites must also focus on their own racism."

Although many say Latinos do not have leaders who can rally hundreds of thousands of Latinos to the nationUs capital, Gutierrez disputes this. "We do have leaders of tremendous stature--theyUre just not recognized by the media."

While many Latino and Latina leaders possess moral leadership and have made sacrifices equal to those of Rosa Parks or Coretta Scott King, a conspiracy of silencing by the media has kept them out of the national consciousness.

The truth is, the march in '96 will succeed due to the efforts of thousands of tireless people who have dedicated their lives to improving the lives of Latinos and all people.

And until this nation fully embraces and welcomes Latinos as true Americans and full human beings, there will always be a need to march.





Del huevo a la gallina

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Receta del siglo XVIII de Vincent La Chapelle, autor de Le Cuisinier Moderne y chef privado del príncipe de Orange y Nassau.

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Derrita en una sartén 1/4 de taza de mantequilla y cuando esté caliente y burbujeante, saltee en ella las pechugas. Cuando estén completamente doradas, sazónelas con sal y pimienta, remuévalas y póngalas a un lado. Saltee entonces la cebolla por 5 minutos. Añada las setas y cocine por 5 mi-nutos más, añadiendo mantequilla, si la necesita. Agregue la harina y cocine por 3 minutos más, revolviendo. Añada el vino y el caldo y revuelva, hasta que la salsa se espese ligeramente. Coloque las pechugas de nuevo en la sartén, tápela y cocine a fuego lento por 15 minutos. Bata las yemas de huevo junto con la crema. Añádale un poco de salsa picante y viértala en la olla con los pistachos y la pimienta roja. Revuelva por unos minutos hasta que la salsa esté espesa y caliente. Añada jugo de limón y corrija la sazón. Rinde 4 raciones.

Escalopas de Pollo con Pistachos

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- Sal y pimienta
- 1 cebolla finamente picada
- 4 setas grandes, en rebanadas
- 1 cda. de harina
- 1/3 taza de vino blanco, seco
- 2/3 taza de caldo de pollo
- 2 yemas de huevo
- 1/2 taza de crema espesa
- 1/3 de taza de pistachos picaditos
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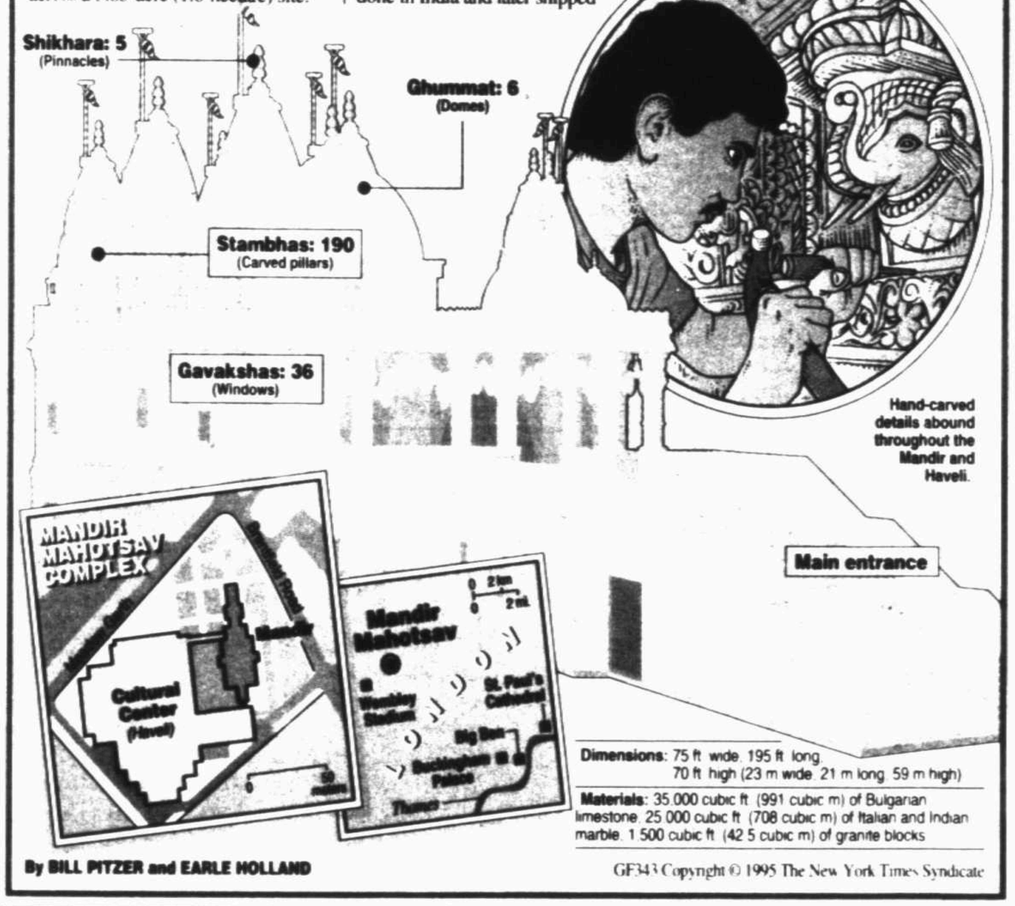
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What is the Mandir Mahotsav?

Near the end of summer, craftsmen and volunteers put the finishing touches to the Mandir Mahotsav, the new seven-story-high Hindu temple that now stands in London. It is the largest such temple outside India and will serve the estimated 1.5 million Hindus in Great Britain. The temple and an adjoining prayer hall and cultural center spread across a 3.85-acre (1.6-hectare) site.

The new facility required a decade of planning and more than three years to actually build. One of the major problems faced by temple builders was the need to follow traditional Hindu designs, many of which are handed down from generation to generation, yet still adhere to modern British building codes. Because of this, much of the stone work was done in India and later shipped to London to be assembled like a giant jigsaw puzzle. Thousands of volunteers from across Great Britain regularly donated days of work as a way of bringing the Hindu community together.

For Hindus, the new temple will be as important as St. Paul's Cathedral in London is for Christians.



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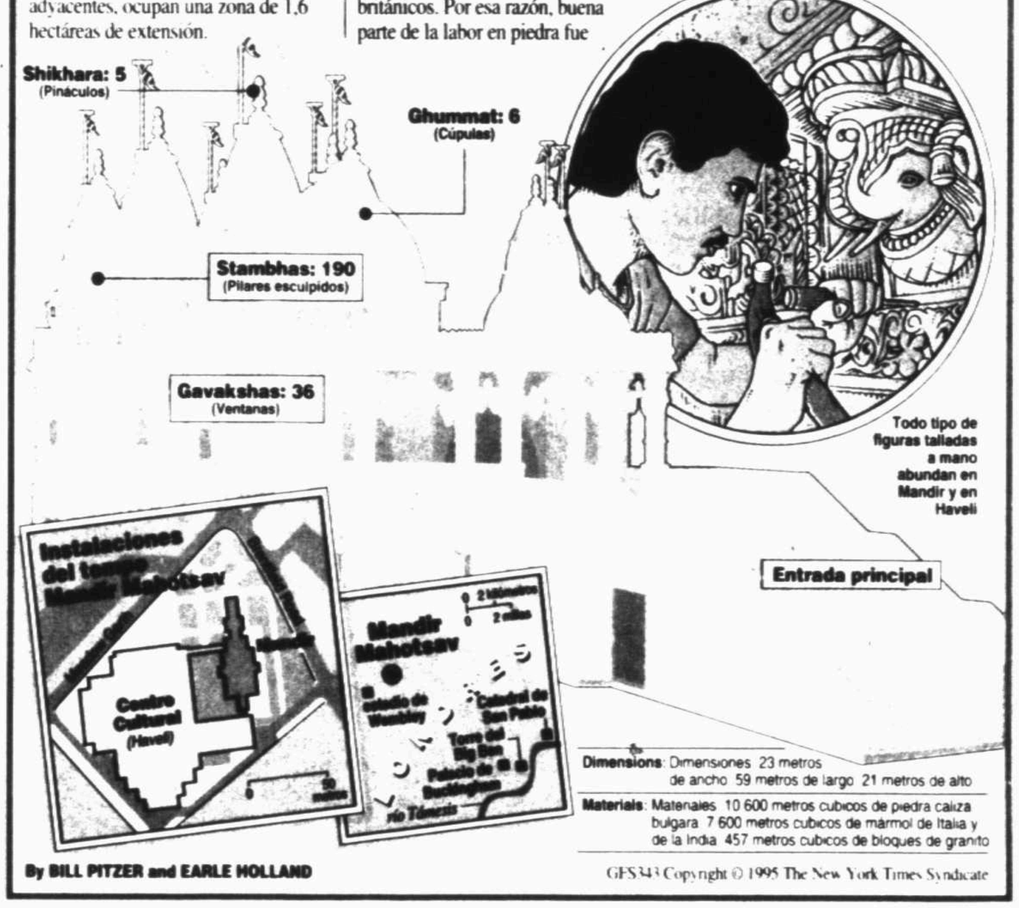
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¿Qué es el Mandir Mahotsav?

En los últimos días, artesanos y voluntarios dieron los toques finales al Mandir Mahotsav, un templo hindú de siete pisos de altura situado en Londres. Se trata del templo más grande de su tipo fuera de la India y servirá de principal recinto religioso para los 1,5 millones de hindúes que viven en Gran Bretaña. El templo, junto con un salón de oraciones y un centro cultural adyacentes, ocupan una zona de 1,6 hectáreas de extensión.

Las nuevas instalaciones requirieron una década de planificación y más de tres años de construcción. Uno de los principales problemas que enfrentaron los constructores del templo fue la necesidad de acatar los diseños tradicionales hindúes, muchos de los cuales son transmitidos de generación en generación, y de respetar al mismo tiempo los códigos de construcción británicos. Por esa razón, buena parte de la labor en piedra fue hecha en la India y luego enviada a Londres por barco. Posteriormente los fragmentos fueron ensamblados como si se tratara de un gigantesco rompecabezas. Millares de voluntarios de todas partes de Gran Bretaña donaron gran cantidad de días de trabajo. Eso fue una manera de unir a la comunidad hindú.

Para los hindúes, el nuevo templo será tan



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1. Antes de presidir el Comité Olímpico Internacional, Juan Antonio Samaranch fue:
   a) Componedor de bateas
   b) Embajador de España en la URSS
   c) Torero
   d) Mozo de mulas en Toledo

2. Padre de familia en "¿Qué pasa, USA?":
   a) Guillermo Alvarez Guedes
   b) Walter Mercado
   c) Henry Cisneros
   d) Manolo Villaverde

3. Octubre, en El Salvador:
   a) Mes de los bodegueros
   b) Mes del tifón
   c) Mes de la niñez
   d) Mes de vacaciones escolares

4. Salsa arriera, en México:
   a) Baile de los burros
   b) Chocolate con perejil
   c) Chiles serranos, cebolla y ajo
   d) Pomada antihemorroidal

5. Calle sevillana:
   a) Paseo de los Cosacos
   b) Avenida de Poncio el Piloto
   c) Callejón del Ajonjolí
   d) Calle de los Gitanos Borrachos

6. Gran éxito de José José:
   a) "La nave del olvido"
   b) "La barca del pepino"
   c) "La marca del ombligo"
   d) "Allá en el Rancho Grande"

7. El 30 de agosto en Perú es el día de:
   a) Fusilar senderistas
   b) Limpiar los balcones
   c) San Martin de Porres
   d) Santa Rosa de Lima

8. *Nampearse*, en Cuba:
   a) Tener miedo
   b) Agarrar una borrachera
   c) Morirse
   d) Perder la virginidad de la oreja izquierda

—Benito Garcia, *¡Exito!*

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Community/Comunidad

Voter registration effort extends successful program

BY: JEFFREY MCDONALD

A month-long effort to make more Hispanics active participants in the political process has been extended due to a surprising and enthusiastic response from the public.

Coinciding with last month's Hispanic Heritage celebrations, and in preparation for the 1996 general elections, the Southwest Voter Registration Education Project (SVREP) kicked-off "Latino Vote USA - Campaign '96," the most ambitious and far-reaching, Hispanic-oriented voter registration and mobilization effort in our nation's history.

The goal of "Campaign '96" is to register 1-million new Hispanic voters in time for the 1996 general elections. If results in Ector County are any indication, then that goal may not be overly-optimistic.

"We've already completed our goal and gone beyond that," said Carol Uranga, Ector County Coordinator for SVREP. "We targeted 600 new registered voters for the month, and we turned in over 750 new pledge cards!"

"Originally, they gave us 500 cards to get filled-out. And we did and sent back those 500. And we're almost through filing another 200, 250 cards."

According to Uranga, this year's effort is not merely a voter registration effort, but a voter participation effort. Nationally, the project plans to dramatically increase the level of Hispanic voter participation in the November 1996 elections by bringing the number of Hispanic registered voters up to 6.5-million, and then mobilizing a turnout of over 5-million Hispanic voters across the country. Compared to 1992 numbers, this represents an increase of 1.5-million in each category.

"We have real good responses from the people, said Uranga. "I think this is because people see a better focus on this effort, concerning the Latino vote; not just registering them, but also getting out to vote, taking them to the polls."

"And this pledge card, I think is going to raise a lot more interest. People realize it's not enough to just register. You have to get out there and actually vote. I think we're going to see some results of this effort to get out and vote."

"And we are targeting all the Latino voters, telling them to get out and completed the card. We're working in the schools, doing voter registration in the schools, the churches. And I would say that the major registration is coming in through the 18-year-old vote. And in fact, I'm aware that the registration here in Ector County has really gone up. And everybody wants a card. When we're out in front of the church, everybody comes up to get one. And then we check and see how many are coming in, and the numbers have been impressive."

Uranga points out the SVREP is not a partisan effort, and does not endorse a particular political party or candidate. It's primary concern is that people get out and vote, period.

"It doesn't matter how you vote, who you vote for, when you vote, whatever," she explained. "We're not interested in how you vote. We just want you to get there and vote!"

"Right now, it's concentrated here, in Ector County. But starting in March, in time for the primaries, we'll be doing major efforts in the region, more of the grass-roots efforts to get people out and vote."

For more information on the Southwest Voter registration Education Project and "Campaign '96," you may call Ector County Coordinator Carol Uranga at 561-9629.

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Each month, there is a Networking Breakfast for minority-owned, woman-owned, and all small businesses. The event is co-sponsored by the Midland Chamber of Commerce, the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Midland Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs, the Midland College BEDC, the UTPB Small Business Development Center and the Citizens Coalition for Economic Development. Business sponsors for Tthe event are Exxon, Texas Instruments and TU Electric.

The next meeting will take place Tuesday, November 21, beginning at 7AM in the Chaparral Room of the Midland College Student Center.

The meeting is not restricted to members of the sponsoring agencies, but rather is open to all who operate their own business, or are thinking of going into business for themselves. In fact the meeting is open to both small and large businesses. The cost of the meeting, which includes breakfast, is $5.00 per person.

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CASI: Top chili cook will be selected

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torieal reenactors. Rodriguez helped stage a three-way gun battle between the Fort Stockton-based Hangman's Henchmen Gunfighters, the Wichita Falls-based North Texas Mountain Men and Rodriguez' own group, the; Fort Stoekton-based First United States Infantry.

"The people really loved it! Everybody was shooting and yelling, and all the guns going off and the women screaming and all," said Rodriguez. "You love doing this at these cookoffs because everybody's here to have a good time."

The chili battle that has already passed through New Mexico's Dona Ana Country Fairgrounds, Midland's Twin Cities Speedway, Fort Stockton's Rooney Park - and hundreds of other locations across the country - will eventually make it's way to Terlingua. There, under the watchful eyes of CASI (which serves as a governing body for chili cookoffs), a top chili cook will be selected.

There are anywhere from 450 to 500 CASI-sanctioned chili cookoffs each year. CASI does not give cash prizes. They may give symbolic plaques, but people battle all year long at these cookoffs to get their potints, which they earn by winning cookoffs. They have to have twelve points to get to Terlingua, and there will be over 300 of the top cooks at Terlingua trying to get that first-place honor.

Assisting in the management of CASI and the administration of the strict guidelines for CASI-sanetioned cookoffs is a board of ten directors, chili enthusiasts from across the country.

The enthusiasm - the passion, even - over chili is evidenced by the broad membership of organizations like CASI, which has enthusiasts, chapters (called "pods") and cookoffs throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, the Virgin Islands, Ireland, England and New Zealand.

Another indicator is the successful effort to designate chili the "State Food" of Texas. A similar proposal is presented to the United States Congress each year by Texas representatives, but it has failed to make any headway, and has yet to reach the legistive floor for debate and a vote.

It can be seen in the debate bettween the purists and the innovators who argue endlessly over what should - and should not go into a bowl of chili. And in the charities that benefit from cookoff activities - all CASI-sanctioned cookoffs must benefit charity, and more than $500,000 was raised last year.

And the passion can be seen in the competitors who travel to cookoffs across the country seeking those prized points that could add up to an invitation to Terlingua, the first, Saturday of November, when the population of the remote area swells from less than 300 to more than 5,000.

It is there that the "Battle Over a Bowl of Red" will finally be settled . . . at least for another year.

Music / Musica

Perez branching out on his own

Tejano singer Jay Perez has a new album out which he says shows a new side of him as a producer and songwriter.

"The CD is somewhat different because it's got one R&B song on there and I produced it along with my keyboard player Jerry De La Rosa," Perez said in a recent interview. "Of course I have always wanted to record a Marvin Gaye tune and we got to do it this time with "Let's Get It On."

Titled "The Voice," - the CD was released Oct. 31 with the first single "HoySoy Feliz."

The CD also features Perez on one of his original compositions titled "Lo Que Yo Tengo (what I Have)."

"I wrote that song about four or five months ago and it didn't quite hit me in the beginning but as we were running out of time to finish the CD Jerry said "Look man you need to put at least one of your songs on there." So I just put some lyrics together.

"It's a song about everything that the guy has had for his wife all his love, he's always had for her. He has given her the best that he can even though it may not be the best it's his best and that is how I wrote the tune. If you listen to all the lyric it makes sense. The guy is telling the girl everything that I've had I've had for you. Everything



that I've done I've done for you. It may not be the best but that is the best that I can give."

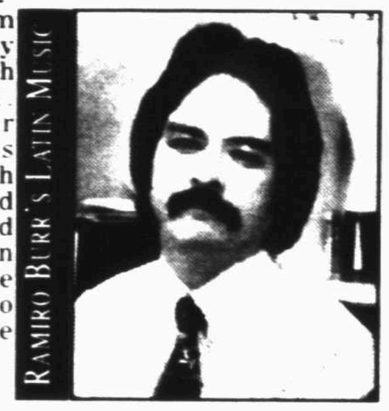
A veteran performer Perez has always displayed a vocal depth and variety that allows him to go beyond Tejano's polkas and rancheras. He can interpret weeping country ballads as easily as he can pour himself into torchy R&B tunes. His previous CD featured three country songs.

Onstage the versatile and energetic Perez really works his crowd gesturing to the people in the far back as enthusiastically as those down front. He has so much material including songs from his days with the Latin Breed and David Lee Garza that he does several medleys of his hits.

No one however gets successful by himself. Perez is surrounded by consummate professionals. A highlight of each show is accordionist Johnny Salazar's spirited accordion jams on the polkas.

The rest of the band is Chente Barrera drums; Valentino Maltos saxophone; Raphael Perez bass and Robert Ybarra guitar.

A San Antonio native Perez graduated from John Jay High School. After stints with David Lee and Latin Breed he went solo in late 1992.



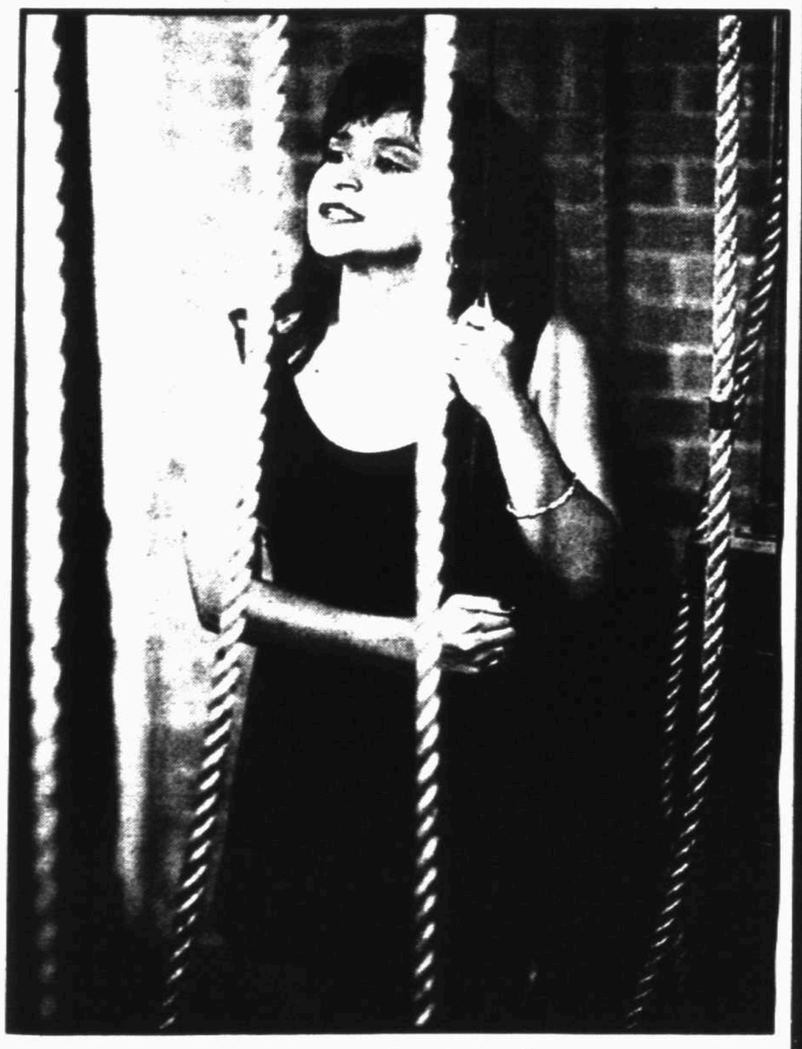
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"Quiereme Mas" is the title of the new album by Grupo Modelo produced by Hector Fregoso. Their first single is entitled "Ouiereme Mas."

Stephanie Lynn and High Energy release their new CD "Besame" where Lynn stretches on some original rancheras. First single titled "Nada."

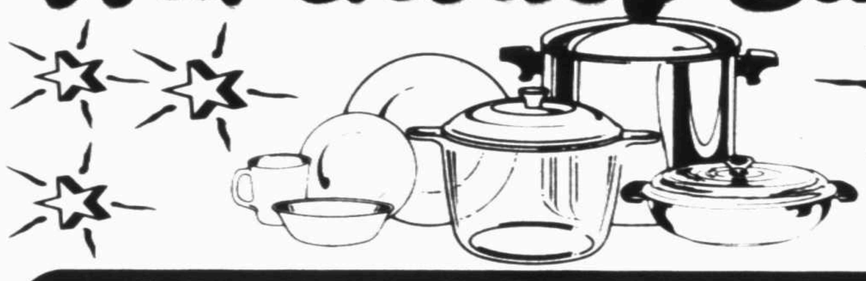
Gavino, former vocalist for La Sombra, is out with "Se Me Va," which is also the first single. And Pete Astudillo, previously a back-vocalist as well as writer for Selena and Los Dinos, has produced his new CD, "Como Te Extrano," which was produced by A.B. Quintanilla III. His first single is "Como Te Extrano" a tune Astudillo wrote as a tribute to the late Selena.

Veteran border DJ "Bird" Rodriguez from Laredo, is moving to San Antonio's KRIO-FM next week.



Colores Del Barrio shoots video for Delia and Culturas in Midland. Shooting for the video will continue for two more weeks. For more information on the video watch Colores Del Barrio. Also featured this week on Colores will be Daivd Lee Garza's new video "Tonta" and Stephanie Lynn's "Nada".

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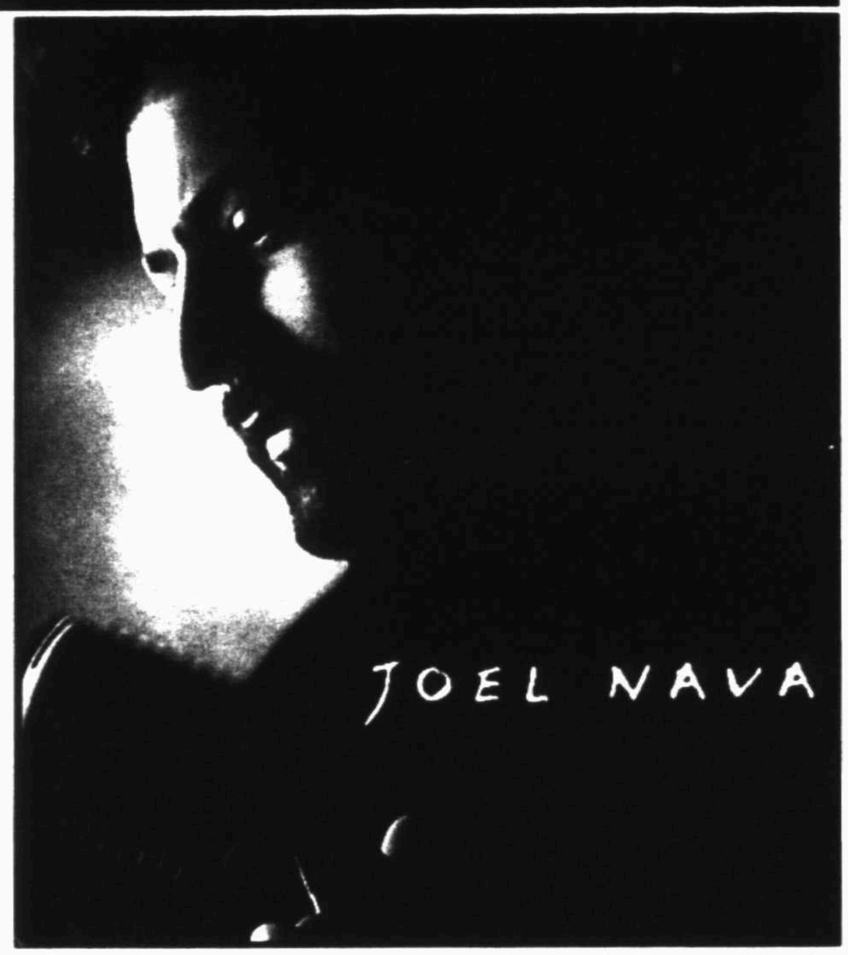
Joel Nava is a genuine Texan artist who erases cultural, linguistic and musical borders and is helping create a genre unique to Texas: Tejano country. As both a country and Tejano artist, Joel's music embraces his American and Mexican roots and celebrates the blending of these cultures throughout the Southwest. His emotional vocal power is the key that unlocks the passion and meaning of the words in whatever language he sings, making his music universal to all ears.

Joel's career as a vocalist began when he was 17. A drummer for Bobby Lee and the Night Riders, Joel decided he wanted to try his hand at singing. "I just asked the guys in the band one day, and they said OK," he says. "So I bought a nineteen-dollar microphone and had at it. I've been singing ever since."

It was obvious that Joel (pronounced JOE-EL) and the band had made the right decision. The Nava-led Night Riders made it to the national finals of the 1987 True Value Hardware Country Showdown.

These days, Joel Nava and the Border are one of the region's top draws, packing in dance halls throughout south Texas. The young man who was once drumming before 50-100 people in his tiny hometown of Port Lavaca is now singing before 1,200-1,500 a night. Joel's music -- a vibrant blend of rich, smooth Texas country and quick-paced Tejano -- brought him this rapidly expanding grass roots following.

Joel grew up listening to an eclectic mix of music that ranged from Bob Wills to Flaco Jimenez. "All my life I've aspired to bring those sounds together," says Joel. At 11, he was so eager to join his grandfather's Tejano group that he learned to play on coffee tins so he could sit in. His mother kept



him out of the dance halls and night spots until he was 15, but by then he was ready to make a career of it.

Since signing to Arista/Texas, Joel made his debut on the label's season compilation, **A Tejano Country Christmas**, last year. Receiving acclaim for "Adeste Fideles" ("O Come All Ye Faithful") and his self-penned "Mama's Boy"—a beautiful performance featuring guest guitarist Steve Wariner--, the album marked the arrival of a major new singer/songwriter talent.

On Joel Nava, Joel offers what he does best: singing from the depths of his soul that reach all the way down to his Southwestern roots. "Making this music and having people enjoy it has been my dream since I first played with my grandfather," remembers Joel. "It's what I live for."

JOEL NAVA paints the hues of this unique musical landscape, blending five country tracks with five Tejano cuts on his debut Arista/Texas release, **JOEL NAVA**. Performing his version of Tejano country, **JOEL NAVA** has become a popular draw on the South Texas club circuit -- where uptempo Tejano mixes with traditional country, cool steel guitars fuse with blazing accordion runs, and English is spoken while Spanish and English are sung.

Producers Chris Waters (Holly Dunn, Terri Clark) and Michael Morales and Ron Morales (Emilio, La Diferenzia) combined their talents in each genre to create an album that depicts the singular relationship of country and Tejano throughout the Southwest.

JOEL NAVA erases the lines distinguishing Tejano and country with such cuts as "Tu Amor Es Para Mí" ("Your Love Amazes Me"), the Tom Shapiro/Chris Waters two-stepping collaboration "You Can" and the traditional Spanish love song "Ella." Nava's rich vocals wrap themselves around the ballads "I Do" and "Abrázame," as well as spark an energetic dancehall mood with "Four-Letter Word."

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   Bronco
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   Selena
7. **Macarena mix**
   Batside Boys Mix
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