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Fire expert for defense insists fire was set intentionally

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

A fire expert for the defense testified Friday that an April 1989 fire that resulted in the deaths of a Pampa man and his stepson was intentionally set.

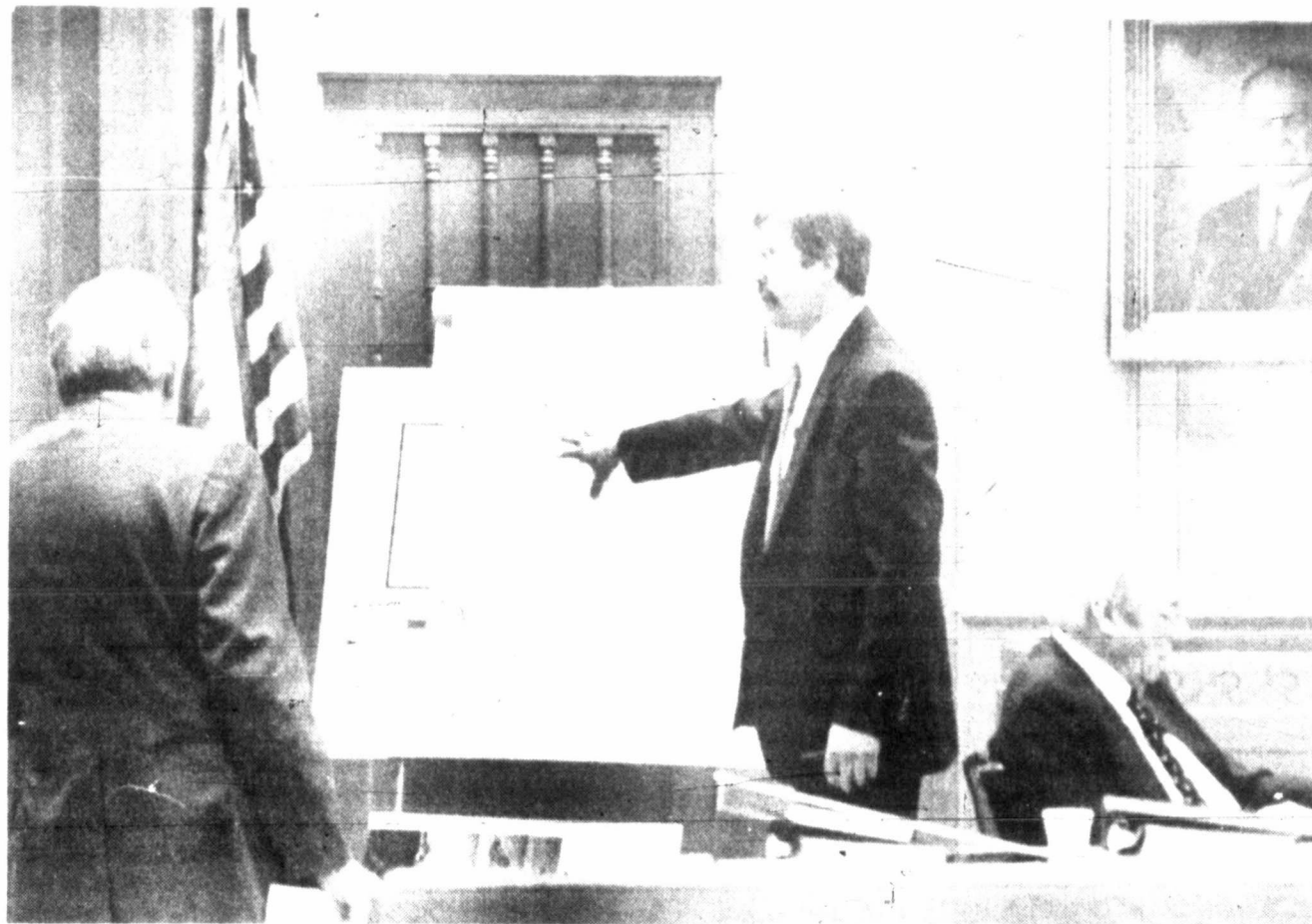
However, the plaintiff in the case, Margaret Vernon, contends that Allied Van Lines Inc., and its agent, M&L Transfer and Storage Co., caused the fire by leaving a box and/or packing material on or too near a floor furnace in the 1200 Charles St. residence.

Jerry Lehnick, a fire investigator with Allstate Security Industries Inc., testified on behalf of Allied and M&L on Friday in the 223rd District Court trial.

Lehnick said he physically examined the residence on four different occasions and that a box on the floor furnace was not the cause of the fire during which John Bryan Vernon III, 41, and Stuart Jacob "Jake" Long, 16, died of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Margaret Vernon has sued the moving companies in the wrongful death lawsuit, individually and on behalf of the estates of her husband and son. She is seeking at least \$3 million for each of the deaths.

The family was preparing to move to Houston on the day of the fire reported at 4:18 a.m. on April 12, 1989. Packers had been at the residence for two days prior to the fire, packing the contents of the residence in preparation for the move.



Jerry Lehnick, center, demonstrates a diagram to a seven-woman, five-man Gray County jury on Friday, as defense attorney Robert Templeton, left, asks questions. At right is 223rd District Court Reporter Bob Baker.

Lehnick, who has investigated about 2,000 house fires, said that in his opinion, some kind of flammable liquid was poured at various locations in the living room and dining room of the residence. He said burn patterns on the carpet, the

carpet pad, and burning on the hard wood floor are all evidence of flammable liquid burns.

He said burns on baseboards on the first floor of the residence are also evidence of a flammable liquid, explaining that heat goes "up and

out, not down."

Asked how many points of origin there were to the fire, Lehnick said, "That would be very difficult to say. I've got a large area of origin ... it can't be pinpointed."

He said the only "logical" reason

in his experience for patterns to show on the floor areas in the manner they did was for someone to have used a flammable liquid.

Lehnick also said that a lattice burned on the floor furnace, although he does not believe the lattice was the cause of the fire. He said on April 18, 1989, when he examined the grate and the area surrounding it he found no evidence that a box had ever been placed on the furnace grate.

He said he located pieces of the lattice and burned paneling from around and inside the furnace grate. He pointed out items in some of the numerous photographs he had taken at the residence during his visits.

Lehnick said no testing for evidence of flammable liquids was conducted during his investigation because after 72 hours from the time a fire has occurred, a test would not be useful.

He also said that if box had covered an estimated 50 percent of the furnace grate, as an expert for the plaintiff earlier testified, that the box would ignite and catch fire in a maximum of three hours.

Defense attorney Robert Templeton of Amarillo pointed out that his clients' employees, the packers, had left the residence around 5 p.m. on April 11.

Lehnick pointed out that there was little ceiling damage in the residence, which is not normal in a "normal fire." He said a normal fire would have three times as much ceiling damage as floor damage because "heat rises."

Also, evidence of the carpet burning in numerous places on the first floor led Lehnick to conclude a flammable liquid was used. He explained that carpet used now does not normally burn, unless a flammable liquid has been poured or splashed on it.

Asked under cross-examination by Warner if part of a "V" pattern (used as an indicator of where a fire might have originated) on the north wall of the dining room could be caused by the venting of the fire through a window, Lehnick said part of the "V" pattern could be attributed to that.

However, he said the burning beneath the window could not be attributed to venting.

"Are you blaming Jake Long for this fire in any way?" Warner asked Lehnick.

"No sir," Lehnick said.

"Are you blaming Margaret Vernon," Warner asked.

Lehnick responded, "No, I am not."

Asked about his determination of whether the fire was set, Lehnick said, "This was an intentionally set fire."

Tony DeHosse, a Pampa firefighter, also continued testimony Friday morning in the trial. DeHosse, under cross-examination by Warner, continued to stick to his opinion that the fire on April 12, 1989, was an intentionally set fire, originating with flammable liquids.

The trial is scheduled to continue at the Gray County Courthouse at 9 a.m. Monday.

Joyous welcome – tearful farewell



(AP Laserphoto)

These photos illustrate the extreme contrast in emotions experienced by families of troops who fought in the war in the Persian Gulf. In the photo at left, family and friends erupt into shouts of joy as members of the 2nd Armored Division return to Fort Hood Saturday.



(AP Laserphoto)

In the photo at right, John Porter of Wood Dale, Ill., gives a salute of farewell to his son Marine Lance Cpl. Christian Porter who died in one of the final battles of the Gulf War. Porter was buried at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield Ill. Saturday.

Lincoln Savings sold at bargain price; fraud case takes center stage

LOS ANGELES (AP) – America's most notorious and expensive thrift failure ended with the bargain-basement sale of Lincoln Savings & Loan, its assets scooped up by a competitor at a \$2.6 billion cost to taxpayers.

A legacy of horrors remains: 17,000 investors who lost \$250 million on junk bonds, a slew of lawsuits against Lincoln operator Charles H. Keating Jr. and anger at five senators who intervened on the Arizona developer's behalf after getting \$1.3 million in political donations.

"This stuff was all a house of cards," John D. K. Brunner, chairman of a bondholders' committee, said in an interview Saturday. "I

don't think the man has a conscience. He fits every definition I've ever seen of a sociopath."

Supporters, including Keating's family, lawyers and devoted associates, describe him as a sophisticated financier who was made a scapegoat by lawmakers and regulators who created the national thrift debacle.

With Lincoln Savings closed forever, the spotlight shifts from Keating to prosecutors working to prove he is something else: a criminal who bilked elderly investors out of their life savings.

As the government sold Lincoln's deposits and 28 branches late Friday, prosecutors revealed a new weapon: former Lincoln President Raymond C. Fidel has turned state's

evidence in the criminal securities fraud case involving the now-worthless junk bonds sold at Lincoln branches.

All sides agree on one beneficiary of the mess: Great Western Financial Corp. of Beverly Hills, which has been on a shopping spree for failed thrifts in Florida, California and elsewhere.

Great Western, the second-largest U.S. thrift company, paid \$12.1 million for Lincoln's branches and \$2.1 billion in deposits.

The payment represents just 1.2 percent of Lincoln's \$1 billion in "core deposits" – stable money that depositors are unlikely to transfer, and a cheap source of funds for Great Western.

Kenneth H. Thomas, a financial consultant and banking professor, has lambasted the 1980s deregulation frenzy that allowed Lincoln to pour money into junk bonds and direct investment in now-collapsed Arizona real estate. He said the government has now dealt Lincoln off at a fire-sale price.

"After this bargain they got with Lincoln, we ought to start calling them Great Bargain instead of Great Western," Thomas said in a telephone interview from Miami.

Keating's son-in-law and spokesman, Brad Boland, said the low price was "disgusting."

Keating attorney Stephen C. Neal maintained that Lincoln Savings might have remained solvent, accus-

ing regulators who seized it of mismanagement.

"We should all get out of our current businesses and start buying thrifths from the government," Neal said.

Keating, Fidel and two other officials of Lincoln and its parent company, American Continental Corp., face 32 state securities fraud charges.

Fidel agreed Friday to plead guilty to two federal counts of selling risky American Continental junk bonds as a "safe, conservative investment" to buyers. The charges were contained in an information, the legal paperwork used in plea bargains.

Deputy District Attorney Paul Turley, one of the prosecutors in the

state securities fraud case, wouldn't say directly if Fidel also had agreed to cooperate in that case, but he implied it was likely.

"It's a safe premise to assume that if you are going to enter a plea in a criminal charge, the defendant would aggressively pursue what's known as a global plea," Turley said. "That's where you work out a deal where you plead to all of the charges at once."

Keating declined to be interviewed Saturday.

The Senate Ethics Committee found that the pursuit of political donations posed "ethical dilemmas" for the five senators who intervened with federal regulators on Keating's behalf.

Three explosion victims remain hospitalized;

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

One man remains in the burn intensive care unit at University Medical Center in Lubbock following a Thursday morning explosion and fire at the Grayco booster station near Lefors.

Gary Lynn McFall, 39, a mechanic from Pampa, was listed in "serious, but stable" condition Saturday afternoon, a spokeswoman with the Lubbock hospital said.

McFall's condition had been upgraded from critical. The spokeswoman said McFall has second- and third-degree burns over 55 percent of his body.

A second victim transported to the Lubbock facility following the fire was released from the hospital on Friday, the spokeswoman said. Randall Lee Rodriguez, 30, a mechanic from Pampa, had been listed in stable condition prior to his release.

Two other Pampa residents, Larry Edward Love, 44, a field operator, and Salvador Valenzuela, 39, a mechanic, remained in Coronado Hospital in stable condition on Saturday evening, a spokeswoman said.

A fifth employee, Gilbert Castillo, 32, a roustabout, was treated and released from Coronado Hospital following the accident.

A Phillips Petroleum Co. spokesman said the

Phillips personnel were performing maintenance work at the booster station when the explosion occurred about 10:30 a.m. Thursday.

Grayco booster station compresses gas from the field for the Phillips 66 Natural Gas Co.'s Gray Plant, which is about a quarter of a mile away.

The booster station received heavy damage. The Gray Plant, although not damaged, was shut down for precautionary measures.

The investigation into the cause of the explosion and fire was continuing on Friday. Phillips Co. officials could not be reached for comment by press time Saturday.

FBI: new Sudafed tampering case possible

SEATTLE (AP) – The FBI reported a new case of possible drug tampering Saturday involving a woman in Hawaii who became ill after taking a Sudafed 12 Hour cold capsule.

The new case did not appear related to several Washington state Sudafed capsule cyanide tamperings that killed two people died and made a third person ill, the FBI said.

William D. Gore, special agent in charge of the Seattle FBI office, said the woman from Hawaii had purchased the medicine before a nationwide recall of Sudafed cap-

sules issued last Sunday because of the Washington tamperings.

It was unclear where she bought the capsules, Gore said. Investigators were checking whether they were bought at airports in Los Angeles or San Francisco, or at a drug store in Hawaii.

"She subsequently became ill and was treated by her local physician," Gore said. "Blood samples from the woman revealed traces of cyanide although the amount was only slightly higher than what would be considered as normal levels."

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Services tomorrow

ELLINGTON, Frances E. — 4 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.
HUTCHISON, Ellen — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.

Obituaries

FRANCES E. ELLINGTON

MIAMI — Frances E. Ellington, 79, died Saturday, March 9, 1991. Services will be at 4 p.m. Monday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Dale Dunn, pastor of First Baptist Church of Miami, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Ellington was born Aug. 19, 1911, and reared in Kingsmill. She married Thomas Charles Ellington in 1929 at Kingsmill; he preceded her in death on March 20, 1971. They farmed three miles east of Pampa for many years before moving to Miami in 1977 from Pampa. She was a member of the Bible Church in Pampa.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cloy Long of Miami; a sister, Edna Maul of Pampa; two granddaughters, Frances Isbell and Jimmie Thompson, both of Pampa; six great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Jean Hill, on Feb. 21, 1991.

ELLEN HUTCHISON

Ellen Hutchison, 48, died Saturday, March 9, 1991. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Bishop Robert A. Wood and Elder Kevin Hanks of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Hutchison was born Oct. 15, 1942, in Kilgore. She was a Pampa resident since 1952. She married Phillip Hutchison on May 5, 1960, at Panhandle. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She worked for the Pampa Independent School District for nine years.

Survivors include her husband, Phillip, of the home; two sons, Mark Hutchison of Amarillo and Victor Hutchison of Pampa; three sisters, Wanda Huff of Amarillo, Glenda Bennett of Granbury and Melissa Robb of Amarillo; two granddaughters, Neeley Hutchison and Kendall Hutchison, both of Amarillo. She was preceded in death by a son, Charles Edward Hutchison, in July 1965.

The family requests memorials be made to the Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo.

CORA ALICE PEABODY HALL

GROOM — Cora Alice Peabody Hall, 96, died Friday, March 8, 1991, in Eden. Services will be at 2 p.m. today in Groom Church of Christ with M.B. Boldin, church elder, officiating. Burial will be in Groom Cemetery by Patterson-Greer Funeral Home of Hollis, Okla.

Mrs. Hall was born in Cooke County and was the last living daughter of Donley County pioneer John Melcenis Peabody. She married Charles H. Hall Sr. in 1912 at Clarendon; he preceded her in death. She was one of the founding members of Groom Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Alma Sheid and three sons, Charles H. Hall Jr., James O. Hall and Lynn Hall.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Gene Hall of Santa Ana, Calif., and Dr. Richard M. Hall of Eden; 17 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

GLADYS MARY STROUP

QUITAQUE — Gladys Mary Stroup, 84, died Friday, March 8, 1991, at Plainview. Services will be at 3 p.m. today at the First Baptist Church in Quitaque with the Rev. Rob Lackey, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Steve Ulrey, pastor of the First United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Resthaven Cemetery under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Stroup was born March 23, 1906, in Quitaque. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She worked for Feferman's Westernwear in Amarillo for more than 30 years.

Survivors include two brothers, Jim Stroup of Quitaque and Jack Stroup of Pampa; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Charles Stroup.

Court report

GRAY COUNTY COURT

A motion was filed to revoke the probation of Cecil Ward Dowdy.

Bryan David Rogers was fined \$300 and received two years probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

Valentin Calzadillaz was fined \$300 and received two years probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

The following people were discharged from probation: Jackie Dale Hembree, Billy Morgan and Herschel Genean Newman.

A charge of violation of probation was dismissed against Kelly Joe Duff after the probationer completed probation requirements.

Marriage licenses

Billy Glenn Brown and Crickat Marie Rose
 Timothy Dale Pritchard and Misty Dawn Caviness

Benny Lee Baker and Andrea Dawn Hopkins
 James Howard Swinney and Shirley Ann Williams
 James Jackie Brown and Kathleen Lynette Gabriel

Steven Paul Free and Erika Anne Lapka

DISTRICT COURT

Criminal

The following people were dismissed from probation: Devin Coy Golden and Janey Jo Sanchez, also known as Janey Jo Balkum.

Desmond Parnell Jackson was continued on Intensive Supervised Probation.

Trecia Nell Bradstreet was released from Intensive Supervised Probation.

Divorce

James C. Hagemann and Debbie Hagemann

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions
 Barbra L. Helton, Pampa
 Tammie Reames, Pampa
 Knight, Pampa
 Shelby B. Patterson, Pampa
 James Lawrence, Pampa
 Stone, Pampa
 Cole Garrett Tefer, Pampa
 Dismissals
 Edward Ellis Graves, Pampa

Pampa
 John Kenneth Lane, Pampa
 Revis Massey, Canadian
 Audie Thomas Morris, Pampa
 Manuel C. Pineda, Pampa
 Estell Smith, Borger
 Simbna Castillo Villalón, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
 Not available

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, March 8

Bobby Schiffman, 1904 N. Christy, reported criminal mischief at the residence.

Pampa Police Department reported possession of drug paraphernalia in the 800 block of West Wilks.

Mary Lou Fletcher, 1146 S. Finley, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at 641 S. Cuyler.

A violation of city ordinance was reported in the 200 block of Miami.

Clyde Durham, 426 Harlem, reported a theft.

Crystal Dione Keyes, 320 Tignor, reported a simple assault at Dwight and Gwendolyn streets.

SATURDAY, March 9

Lupe Martinez Jr., 1214 S. Barnes, reported criminal mischief, causing \$20-200 in damage, in the 1100 block of South Barnes.

A 14-year-old juvenile reported an assault in the 1000 block of Varnon Drive.

Arrests

FRIDAY, March 8

Charles Glenn Spencer, 28, 1900 N. Zimmers, was arrested at the police department on three warrants. He was released upon payment of fines.

Ronald Hoyt Williams, 22, 501 N. Faulkner, was arrested in the 200 block of Francis on four capias pro fines. He was released upon payment of the fines.

Ilita Mesha Captain, 19, 629 N. Christy, was arrested in the 200 block of West Brown on two capias pro fines and three warrants. Captain was released upon payment of the capias pro fines and on a cash bond on the warrants.

Richard Cliff Luther, 27, 1032 E. Francis, was arrested in the 800 block of West Wilks and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released upon payment of the fine.

SATURDAY, March 9

Olga Ortega, 27, Perryton, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on a charge of theft of \$20-200.

Marie Elena Quintana, 29, Perryton, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on a charge of theft of \$20-200.

Minor accidents

No accident reports were available this weekend from Pampa Police Department because the records department was closed.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, March 8

5:43 p.m. — Two firefighters and one unit responded to a grass fire at 1101 S. Christy that spread to an outbuilding owned by Jack Gamon. The outbuilding was a total loss.

SATURDAY, March 9

12:44 a.m. — Two firefighters and one unit responded to a trash fire at 610 Carr.

Correction

In a page one story Friday about the explosion at the Phillips' booster station outside Lefors, Milan Westenskow was incorrectly identified in one reference as being from Bartlesville, Okla. He was later correctly identified as being from the Phillips' plant in Borger. Rob Phillips is the information specialist with Phillips in Bartlesville.

Calendar of events

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays at 7 p.m. at Briarwood Church, 1800 W. Harvester Ave.

MHIA TAKING APPLICATIONS

The Maternal Infant Health Improvement Act project sponsored by the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Tech Health Science Center of Amarillo will be in Pampa from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, March 18, at the Hughes Building, Suite 100, taking applications from pregnant women for financial assistance for prenatal care. For more information call 1-800-237-0167.

T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) meets Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 or 665-1994 for more information.

TRI COUNTY DEMOCRAT CLUB

The Tri County Democrat Club will meet Tuesday, March 12, at 7 p.m. in Lovett Memorial Library auditorium for a covered dish dinner and meeting. Brenda Barrett of Canyon, 31st District Committee Woman, will be guest speaker. The public is invited.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Free blood pressure readings at Pampa Senior Citizens' Center, Monday, March 11, 10:30-noon. Sponsored by AARP.

News staff earns honorable mentions at Texas APME awards presentation

The Pampa News editorial staff was awarded four honorable mentions Saturday in the Texas Associated Press Managing Editors 1990 contest during the annual convention in San Antonio.

Staff Writer Beth Miller received two honorable mentions, Staff Writer Bear Mills was awarded one honorable mention and former Lifestyles Editor Kayla Pursley also received an honorable mention.

"We are proud of the showing our staff members made at the state level this year," commented Larry Hollis, Pampa News managing editor. "We know that our writers and editors are top quality people, but it's an extra bonus when their talents are also noted by their peers."

Mills' honorable mention was awarded in the category of feature stories for a March 11, 1990 story titled "Canadian man fights to save marsh from becoming disposal well site."

That article centered around the efforts of Dr. Malouf Abraham Jr. of Canadian to save a rare Panhandle marsh area in Hemphill County from becoming polluted by oil field waste.

Abraham later credited coverage by The Pampa News with

bringing pressure that led to the saving of the marsh, known as Sleepy Hollow.

Miller's honorable mentions were in spot news and in features. In the spot news category, a July 29, 1990, article titled "Judge rules Blalock must remain in jail on felony murder charges," received an award.

The July article was about a hearing held in state District Court, where a man charged with murder was attempting to be released from Gray County Jail because he had not been indicted. He also requested that his bond be reduced.

Both requests were denied by then 31st District Judge Grainger McIlhenny. A packed courtroom of friends and family members of the victim's mother, Paulette Noble, attended the hearing. Her son, Dale Noble, 13, died in a fire on May 21.

Blalock was subsequently indicted and this year was convicted by a Gray County jury of murder and sentenced to life in prison.

Miller's April 5 feature story which received an award was titled "Pampa woman battles ravages of Lyme disease." The article told about the ordeal that Dee Stice had been through with doctors trying to

determine the cause of her medical problems. The article also described symptoms of the disease and the problems with trying to find medical personnel who can treat the disease.

Pursley captured an honorable mention in the category of feature layout for her June 3 full-page layout of the Tri-State Rodeo Finals.

The page featured five Pampa High School students who were going to participate in the rodeo finals and showed three special photographs as well as three photographs taken by News Sports Editor L.D. Strate. The layout featured a red wood-like border with the pictures depicted tacked on the page with nails.

The Pampa News was entered in Class A of the AP contest, and competed with newspapers with circulations of 9,999 and less.

Larry Allison, editor of the Long Beach (Calif.) Press-Telegram judged the spot news entries in Class A.

Features for Class A were judged by William (Butch) Ward of the Philadelphia Inquirer.

James Box, executive editor of the Daily Breeze in Torrance, Calif., judged the feature layouts in Class A.

Shamrock gears up for St. Patrick's Day bash

SHAMROCK — "Get Your Irish Kicks on Route 66" is the slogan for the 1991 St. Patrick's Celebration in Shamrock set to kick off Friday.

The three-day celebration will begin with the banquet at 6:45 p.m. Friday with James H. "Doc" Blakely, a humorist, to entertain in the National Guard Armory.

Colleens competing for the "Miss Irish Rose" title will be presented at the banquet.

A new event — a Bull Buck Out — is scheduled this year. Entrants will be limited to 35 on a first-come, first-served basis. The event will be Saturday.

Other events Saturday include a parade, carnival, donegal beard contest, chili cook-off, sheep dog trials, team roping, barrel racing, old settlers' reunion and dances for teens and adults.

Easy Money Band of Oklahoma City will play for the adult dance at the Armory.

This year's general chairman is Noel Walton, with Sonny Hilburn as assistant chairman.

The celebration ends on Sunday with team roping finals (if necessary) at 9 a.m. at Brashears' Roping Arena on U.S. 83 North, a cowboy church service at 10 a.m. at the old school gym and a golf scramble at 1 p.m. at the Country Club.

For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at (806) 256-2501.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

RAY'S BODY Shop moved to 413 W. Foster. 669-9481. Adv.

THE STAFF of Michelle's Beauty Salon, has changed locations. Kim, Song, Rhonda, Linda, and Louise, have joined the staff of Salon Cream of the Crop. For appointments please call, 669-9871, 665-3509, or 669-1714. 500 N. Ballard. Adv.

SADIE HAWKINS Store now open 7:00-10:00. Grocery, deli, beer, soft drinks. 1301 S. Hobart.

FREE FLEA and tick dip with Grooming. Mona 428 N. Christy. Adv.

IRONING, LIGHT House-keeping. Call 669-1257. Adv.

BETTY EPPERSON income tax service. Very reasonable rates. 665-8258. Evening and Saturday appointments. Adv.

FOR SALE - Kenneth Box's Sports Calendar Company. Advertising for High School sports, 669-3083. Adv.

NAIL TECH Lanee' Stubblefield special this month only. Sculptured nails \$25, manicures \$10, and pedicures \$15. Great prices with Lanee' at Hair Junction, 665-2233. Adv.

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

MEMORIALS, TRIBUTES to your friends and loved ones. White Deer Land Museum in Pampa, Box 1556, Pampa, Tx. 79065. Adv.

BARBARA'S CREATIONS, Special Occasions. 665-2024. Adv.

ONION SETS and plants, seed potatoes, garden seed broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage and strawberry plants are in Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

ROSES ROSES and more Roses. Choose from 25 colors. Also great selection of fruit trees. Watsons Feed & Garden. 665-4189. Adv.

EXTRA NICE, large 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. 665-3319. Adv.

FACE LIFT for a room? Come in and browse through our many Wallpaper Books. Bartlett Lumber Co. 500 W. Brown. 665-1814.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING, Bowman Driving School, 669-3871. Adv.

BRIDES SEE us first for your invitations and napkins - 10% off. Other wedding accessories, complete catering, rentals. Expressively Yours, 665-3416 evenings, or 669-6202 days. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Today, sunny and breezy with increasing cloudiness, a high in the lower 70s and southwesterly winds 10-20 mph, increasing to 15-25 mph and gusty by afternoon.

Tonight, partly cloudy and breezy with a low near 40 degrees. Monday, mostly sunny and windy with a high in the lower 70s.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Sunny today. Clear to partly cloudy tonight and Monday. Windy mostly areas on Monday. Highs today mostly 70s except near 90 along the Big Bend. Lows tonight generally in the 40s. Highs Monday in the 70s with mid 80s along the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Sunny and warm today, highs from 70 to 75. Partly cloudy and cool tonight, lows from 48 to 55. Partly cloudy and warm Monday, highs from 75 to 80.

South Texas — Sunny north and partly cloudy south today. Increasing clouds tonight. Partly cloudy Monday with isolated showers southeast. Highs today in the 70s to near 80 southwest. Lows tonight in the 40s to near 50 north to the 50s to low 60s south. Highs Monday in the 70s to near 80 north to the 80s to near 90 south.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Tuesday through Thursday
 West Texas — Texas Panhandle, South Plains, clear to partly cloudy. Highs upper 50s to mid 60s. Lows mid to upper 30s. Permian Basin,

Concho Valley, Pecos Valley, clear to partly cloudy. Highs mid 60s to around 70. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Far West Texas, clear to partly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Big Bend region, 40s.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central Texas, partly cloudy and slightly cooler Tuesday and Wednesday. Increasing clouds with a chance of showers Thursday. Lows in the 50s Tuesday, 40s Wednesday, near 50 Thursday. Highs in the 70s. Texas Coastal Bend, partly cloudy Tuesday and Wednesday. Slightly cooler by Wednesday. Increasing clouds with a chance of showers Thursday. Lows from near 60 coast to 50s inland. Highs from 70s coast to low 80s inland Tuesday, and in the 70s Wednesday and Thursday. Lower Texas Rio Grande Valley and Plains, partly cloudy. Slightly cooler Wednesday. Lows in the 60s coast to 50s inland. Highs in the 70s coast to 80s inland. Southeast Texas and the Upper Coast, partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms Tuesday. Partly cloudy and cooler Wednesday. Increasing clouds with a chance of showers Thursday. Lows in the 50s Tuesday, 50s coast to 40s inland Wednesday, and near 50 Thursday. Highs in the 70s Tuesday and Thursday, near 70 Wednesday.

North Texas — West and central, fair Tuesday and Wednesday. Increasing cloudiness with a slight chance of showers Thursday. Lows in the upper 40s to lower 50s Tues-

day, and the low to mid 40s Wednesday and Thursday. Highs in the upper 60s to middle 70s. East, chance of thunderstorms Monday night and early Tuesday. Fair Tuesday afternoon through Wednesday. Increasing cloudiness with a chance of showers Thursday. Lows in the 50s Tuesday, and in the 40s Wednesday and Thursday. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Today, breezy and warmer. Mostly fair skies southeast. Increasing high clouds north and west with a slight chance for showers in the northwest by late afternoon. Highs 50s to lower 60s mountains and northwest with mid 60s to mid 70s elsewhere. Tonight, warmer with continued mostly fair skies southeast. Partly cloudy north and west with a chance for showers or mountain snow showers in the northwest. Lows 20s and 30s mountains and northwest with upper 30s to near 50 elsewhere. Monday, very windy. Fair skies but areas of blowing dust south and east. Partly cloudy and turning colder in the northwest with a chance for showers or mountain snow showers. Highs 40s and 50s mountains and northwest to the 70s and lower 80s east and south.

Oklahoma — Mostly fair through tonight. Clear to partly cloudy Monday with widely scattered thunderstorms mainly central and east. Warm both afternoons. Highs today and Monday mostly in the 70s. Lows tonight mainly in the 40s.

Crime Stoppers 669-2222

Cheering crowds greet soldiers as they return to Texas



Eric Myers, a member of the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade from Fort Bliss, was met by his wife, Shelley, upon his arrival Friday evening from Saudi Arabia. About 300 so-called "Scud-busters" who were instrumental in the destruction of at least 16 Iraqi Scud missiles with their Patriot batteries, were the first group from Fort Bliss to return home.

By SUSAN HIGHTOWER
Associated Press Writer

FORT HOOD (AP) — Spc. Randy Kinney couldn't believe the tumultuous hero's welcome he and 400 other Fort Hood troops were given when they arrived here Saturday afternoon.

"I figured we'd roll in here, get released and be on our way. I never dreamed it would be nothing like this," said Kinney, an artillery mechanic, as he waited for his parents to arrive from Paxton, Ill.

Several miles of roadway leading from Robert Gray Army Airfield to the entrance of the Central Texas Army post were lined by thousands of people honking their car horns, cheering, and waving American flags, yellow balloons and banners welcoming the troops.

Trees, bushes, telephone poles and highway overpasses were covered with yellow bows and wrapped in red-white-and-blue crepe paper.

Some in the crowd chanted "USA," yelled "God Bless You" and carried signs such as "Welcome Home, Brave Soldiers."

"We're home for good! We love the USA," one soldier yelled as he stepped off a chartered Pan Am flight that brought back the first 400 of 24,000 Fort Hood troops returning from the war.

The second planeload, on a chartered Continental flight, was comprised of 400 troops, most from the First Cavalry. A third plane, with an

estimated 115 soldiers, was due to land about 8 p.m. CST.

An estimated 3,000 family, friends and well-wishers waited at Abrams Field House, where the troops were driven in eight buses. Seven horsemen of the First Cavalry Horse Detachment gave the troops a pistol salute and held their swords at attention as the soldiers marched into the gym.

"God Bless the USA" played on loudspeakers as families were reunited, hugging and crying. Couples held each other close and danced.

Most returning troops were to get a two-week break, which many said they would use relaxing, taking long, hot showers and celebrating with friends and family.

Maj. Mark Signorelli asked Pam Warm to marry him the day before he left for the Gulf in October. Saturday, the two held each other close as they walked through the gym.

"I hardly recognized him," Ms. Warm said. "The letters have been great. I think I've gotten to know a whole new person through the letters."

Said Signorelli, "They put on a real good show for us. It shows a tremendous amount of support. You hear about it on the radio and stuff over there, but you can't imagine it 'til you see it."

Seventeen-year-old Erin Starry said she was going to take her father home and "make him take a shower."

"He stinks," she said of Lt. Col. Mike Starry.

Smell notwithstanding, Starry said he was gratified by the public support.

"You can really tell people are excited to have us home. They've missed us. You can tell by the smiles on their faces and the way they wave their flag and their signs and all that. It's very gratifying," Starry said.

Sgt. Juan Contreras gazed for the first time at his daughter Sarah, born Nov. 16, as his other daughters Jennifer, 5, and Amanda, 4, climbed on him and kissed his cheeks. The family drove from Mercedes in the Rio Grande Valley to surprise Contreras by meeting him at the post.

"She's beautiful," he said of his baby daughter. "It's great to be home."

The soldiers wore their desert camouflage fatigues, and some carried large yellow ribbons, waved their rifles and gave a thumbs-up sign as they deplaned at Fort Hood to strains of the 2nd Armored Division band playing "God Bless America."

They walked under a yellow banner that proclaimed: "Welcome Home, Fort Hood Soldiers! Great Job! Thanks!"

"It is great to be home. It'll be a lot greater when the rest of our guys get back. It's great to be in America today!" Lt. Frederick Hoskins said after greeting his wife, Lannie, and his two sons, 8-year-old Diecha and

2-year-old Frederick.

Private First Class Lee Perry saw his daughter, Chakra, for the first time. She was born Oct. 14, two days after he deployed to Saudi Arabia.

"I ain't seen nothing but pictures. Long wait," Perry said as he gazed at his newest daughter. "I'm glad to be back. Ain't going back over there!"

Some already had made plans for the returning troops.

"We're going fishing," said Alapeki Bennett, 8, as he greeted his father, Staff Sgt. Richard Bennett, who stood in a group hug with wife Bertha stroking their son's hair.

"Something I've been waiting on for five months," he said. "And we're not going to let go yet," said Mrs. Bennett. "As soon as we go home, we'll cling to him like this."

The troops on the Continental flight were treated to a special "welcome home" route during a refueling stop at Newark, N.J., Saturday morning. The route took them over New York City's Central Park, the Empire State Building and the Statue of Liberty.

In El Paso, 371 soldiers deployed to the Persian Gulf from Fort Bliss became the first to return home Friday night.

A screaming crowd of a few thousand teary-eyed family members and well-wishers pushed toward the plane that carried units of the 11th Air Defense Artillery.

The forbidden subject...

It is quite possibly the most controversial subject in modern America. You don't talk about it unless you know your company well. One slip and you could offend them greatly.

What carries this burden of contention? Religion, sex, politics? Nah. It's garage sales.

Think I'm kidding? Just say something like, "Yeah, we went to a garage sale the other day and you should of seen all the junk," to some casual friends one night.

Then you ice the cake with, "They were selling the ugliest furniture you've ever seen. Our cat wouldn't sit on a couch like that."

They stop. They stare; first at you and then at each other. Then they look at their plate of lasagna and ponder a reply.

The woman speaks first, in a reserved tone that let's you know she's keeping her temper under control.

"We bought all the furniture in our house at a garage sale," she says.

You realize it will be your last meal together as "merry mates." You only hope your wife will forgive you this blunder and you will remain married mates.

For some, garage sales are the great value of our day. Sort of a Sam's without the sales tax.

But admit it, garage sales also feature the most unbelievable bunch of muck you'll ever see. Picture this:

Bert and Bertha are rummaging through the closet under the stairs.

"Look at all this crap!" Bertha says.

"I'll load up a slew of it Saturday and run it to the landfill," Bert assures her.

Suddenly a light goes on in Bertha's bonnet. There's got to be lots of people out there with even worse taste than she has. What about a garage sale? Even if she didn't sell much, whatever she unloaded would be better than nothing.

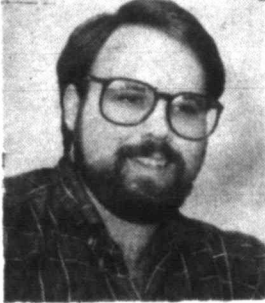
"Let's do it," she tells Bert. "Look through here and get out all the things that your momma ever gave us and all the other stuff that you don't like or want and we'll sell it."

"Nobody in their right mind would buy anything my momma ever gave us," Bert says.

"Just hide and watch."

Sure enough, Bertha is right. Saturday morning at 8 a.m. (even though the ad in the paper clearly said, "NO EARLY BIRDS!!!!") there are 25 cars outside

Off Beat By Bear Mills



the Bert and Bertha Bargain residence. The garage door is still down, but does that stop our would-be shoppers on the front lawn? Not a chance.

Ding Dong. "Mr. B., I'm Dewey Rascal from four blocks down. Did I read that you've got plastic lawn deer for sale?"

Bert starts to get very ugly with this never-before-seen neighbor. Then it occurs to him that the lawn deer market is not exactly doing a land office business these days.

"They're two bucks apiece," he says, suppressing a laugh. Bert is a sucker for puns.

"I'll take 'em," Dewey replies. Gosh, at the Wally World plastic deer are five dollars each. This is quite a value.

When Bert opens the garage, the flood begins. People line up to purchase polyester stretch pants that belonged to Aunt Beulah before she lost all that weight, dolls made out of Ivory Soap bottles, pink ceramic fish for the bathroom wall, a broken high chair, Harlequin Romances dating back to the late '50s and a host of mismatched cups, chipped plates, tarnished spoons and heaven knows what else.

By the end of the day Bert and Bertha Bargain are considering taking a Caribbean cruise with the windfall.

"And just think of it," he tells her. "We're being one of them environmentalist-types. Instead of buryin' all that junk, we just recycled it."

As for the people who bought it, they're happy as clams. Where else but at a garage sale could you get orange polyester stretch pants for only 75 cents each?

If I sound a little bitter about garage sales, I am. Why shouldn't I be? If Dewey had waited until 9 a.m. like he was supposed to, I'd of had a shot at those lawn deer.

Controversy brews over male strippers

GEORGETOWN (AP) — The protest over whether to permit a group of male strippers to entertain at a community center here proved to be more controversial than the show itself, a newspaper reported.

On Friday night, a writhing Derrick stripped in front of a backdrop of the New York City skyline, while George Michael's "I Want Your Sex" blared in the background.

Outside, five members of a local church armed themselves with cameras to make video recordings and instant photographs of the women who paid \$10 apiece to see Derrick and his fellow members of a traveling troupe of male strippers.

All in all, a crowd of about 200 people, mostly women, was well-behaved and the Friday night show went off without incident.

That may have been news to observers who have been expecting

the worse since word first came six weeks ago that Seduction, a five-man show, was booked to play the city's community center.

In the weeks leading up to the show, the local newspaper was filled with letters from protesters and supporters alike, a city official was suspended for making a flippancy remark about the dancers, and the planning commission put a rush on a zoning ordinance regulating sexually-oriented businesses.

About 120 miles north of Georgetown, in Waxahachie, a Best Western hotel that had booked Seduction for a performance last Saturday night decided to cancel the show after selling only 15 tickets.

Officials also said they received phone calls and visits from residents threatening to boycott the hotel.

Georgetown city officials decided to take no chances Friday night.

The fire chief, the fire marshal, two female police officers, the police chief and a couple of other plainclothes police officers were dispatched the center to make sure that no city ordinances were violated.

The folks outside recording the arrivals and departures refused to say which church they were with or what they would do with the pictures.

"We're just citizens, observing. We're not intimidating people and we don't have to answer questions," one of the men told the Austin American-Statesman.

A spectator, Harriet Ruka, 43, said: "If I see my picture anywhere, I'll sue all of you." Once inside, she added: "This is the greatest thing that's ever happened here. I think the women of this town deserve something fun like this."

Appeals court to hear Dallas redistricting case

DALLAS (AP) — The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans has agreed to hear oral arguments next week on the merits of two proposed redistricting plans for the Dallas City Council.

Oral arguments, which rarely are allowed in a federal appeals court, are scheduled for Thursday afternoon by a three-judge panel. It sets the stage for what could be the final chapter in a three-year-old voting rights lawsuit.

On Feb. 1, U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer of Dallas ordered May 4 elections under a so-called 14-1 plan, favored by minority groups, which would create a council of 14 members elected from districts and a mayor elected citywide.

The court will hear pros and cons of that plan, as well as a 10-4-1 plan favored by others, under which 10 council members would be elected from districts, four from quadrants,

and the mayor citywide.

The city council asked the federal appeals court to declare the 14-1 plan unconstitutional.

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Opinion

To provide for the common defense

Pfff...bang... finished!" marveled a Bedouin as a Patriot missile blasted an Iraqi Scud rocket out of the sky over Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Israelis cheered when Patriots brought from Germany wheeled off a transport plane, were set up, then knocked down incoming Scuds. And American troops stationed in Saudi Arabia gave thumbs-up as they were saved from death by the almost nightly Scud attacks.

The Patriots is part of the Strategic Defense Initiative launched by President Reagan in 1983. Another essential factor: The micro-computer revolution of the 1980s, whose large investment in research and development was sparked by the tax cuts of the early Reagan years.

But some people are trying to twist the facts both against Reagan's effort on the Patriot and against the entire SDI program. *New York Times* foreign affairs columnist Leslie H. Gelb wrote that the fact of Reagan's role "is pure baloney." Why? "The Patriot was originally designed in the Ford administration to shoot down aircraft," Gelb even credited other high-tech weapons to Harold Brown, defense secretary for Jimmy Carter. But Gelb is not an impartial journalist. He was director of the bureau of politico-military affairs in Carter's State Department.

Actually, some plans for the Patriot go back 40 years to the Truman administration. So what? You might as well say the Patriot was "originally designed" by the ancient Chinese, who invented fireworks and first used rockets in war.

In fact, as *The Wall Street Journal* reported, though the program to upgrade the Patriot to shoot down Scuds was conducted by the Army, not the SDI office at the Pentagon, SDI's backers saw the Patriot as the best bet for actually deploying hardware and keeping the idea of missile defense moving forward. And Gelb's fixation with "the Star Wars bureaucracy" prevents him from seeing that SDI includes weapons built outside that bureaucracy.

It's common sense that in building SDI we must begin with small systems like the Patriot, test them, then build bigger and more complex systems that would defend every one of our 250 million citizens. It is much more difficult to shoot down a Soviet SS-25 ICBM than to shoot down a Scud.

As we build more advanced SDI weapons, Gelb and others will continue to scoff. Last year Congress cut President Bush's SDI request from \$4.9 billion to \$2.9 billion. In his 1992 budget proposal, Bush will search for a 50 percent increase in funds for SDI research, to \$4.35 billion. Will Congress finally grasp that defense expenditures, if there are to be any, should, like the Patriot, defend our people?

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Easing the deficit of time

The professional children's lobby here in Washington would have you believe the most serious problems facing American children today can be solved by pouring money into subsidized day care, giving teachers big pay raises, lengthening the school year, and handing out condoms.

But if America's children did their own lobbying, what would they say? What would they tell us about what helps create secure, happy families?

"Doing things together," was the most oft-repeated answer from 1,500 schoolchildren in a recent survey.

Kids say the damndest things, don't they? What those children are articulating is a societal fact that used to be whispered in the dark but is now being shouted from the rooftops: Parents are spending less and less time with their kids.

"The family meal is dead," says columnist Jonathan Yardley.

That may be an exaggeration, but the numbers are numbingly accurate: Parents now spend 17 hours a week with their children, down from 30 hours a week in 1965, according to William Mattox, a policy analyst with the Family Research Council. Indeed, a 1989 Cornell University study drives the point home, showing that two-thirds of all mothers working full-time would like to work



Edwin Feulner

fewer hours so they could spend more time with their families. But for too many of them it just isn't possible.

We might lay blame for this "time deficit" on the growing number of single-parent families and on the vast amounts of time two-income families devote to their careers. But there are other culprits at work — economic sharks that have been under the water's surface and, smelling blood, are closing in for the kill.

One of the predators is the tax rate. In 1950, the average family of four paid 2 percent of its annual income to the federal government in income and payroll taxes. Today, it pays 24 percent. Add on top of that state and local taxes, which eat up another 8 percent of family income, and you see why many working mothers lament.

Adding insult to injury: The value of the personal exemption (the tax codes' way of adjusting tax liability to family size) has eroded, shifting more of the federal tax burden to families with dependents. Had the government kept the exemption in line with inflation since 1950, it would now be at about \$7,000 per child instead of the current \$2,050.

At the same time, major family expenses — housing, health care, transportation, and higher education — have outrun the inflation rate for the last 25 years. It all adds up to an economic mess that is literally destroying many U.S. families.

The American family needs help, but not in the form of new or expanded government programs. Government could do the most good just by reducing the tax burden on families with children. Congress should raise the tax exemption for dependents to \$7,000 per dependent, or extend other tax credits to reflect the age and number of children.

Instead of trying to replace the family with government boondoggles, Congress can strengthen the family by allowing parents to keep more of their income. More income will give families greater control over their money and greater control over their lives. The ultimate beneficiaries: first the kids, then society as a whole.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, March 10, the 69th day of 1991. There are 296 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 10, 1876, Alexander Graham Bell made what was, in effect, the first telephone call. His assistant, located in an adjoining room in Boston, heard Bell's voice over the experimental device say to him, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you."

On this date:

In 1496, Christopher Columbus concluded his second visit to the New World as he left Hispaniola for Spain.

In 1629, England's King Charles I dissolved Parliament. He would not call it back for 11 years.

In 1785, Thomas Jefferson was appointed minister to France, succeeding Benjamin Franklin.

In 1848, the Senate ratified the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the war with Mexico.

In 1864, Ulysses S. Grant became commander of the Union armies in the Civil War.

In 1880, the Salvation Army arrived in the United States from England.

In 1948, the anti-Communist foreign minister of Czechoslovakia, Jan Masaryk, plunged to his death in Prague.



Digging in against terrorists

No reason to take any unnecessary chances during these tense times so I've been preparing my house against a terrorist attack.

I really can't think of any reason a terrorist would attack my house but you never know.

Perhaps terrorists sometimes just pick a place to terrorize at random or they blindfold one of their party and spin him around and around.

Then, they tell him to walk and whatever he walks into first, that's the spot they terrorize.

Sort of a pin-the-tail-on-the-infield sort of thing.

The first thing I tried to do was buy a couple of gas masks for me and my dog, Catfish, the black Lab.

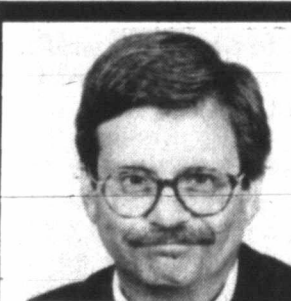
I went to Kmart but they were out of gas masks.

"Been a real run on them lately," the salesman said. "But could I interest you in a couple of Patriot missiles?"

Unfortunately, the missiles wouldn't fit in my car. I did buy a camouflage outfit and a can of green spray paint to put on Catfish in case we should need to hide behind the houseplants in my living room.

I wound up at Honest Gus's Used Gas Masks after that.

"I was in the used car business before the war,"



Lewis Grizzard

said Gus. "Now," he went on, picking up a gas mask, "let me show you this little dream boat..."

I bought two masks, a clean one-owner for me and a '63 model for Catfish, most recently owned by a little old lady schoolteacher from Pasadena who used it only when she drove to L.A.

Then, I picked up some canned food for storage. If terrorists used a chemical weapon in my neighborhood I might not be able to leave my house for days.

I picked up a couple of cans of Spam for me and some Alpo for Catfish. I bought a couple of bottles of vodka in case the water became contaminated.

I also bought a handy book on frequently used Arabic phrases such as "Bebop, fallah, gunga,

arahmefungo," which means "Me? An infidel? Heck no, and neither is my dog, Catfish—which is English for Mohammad."

Of course I'm also taking precautions against terrorists attacks while outside my house.

I have cancelled all previously scheduled flights for instance. Especially on Eastern. When fundamentalists, even Baptists, decide to force the pilot to fly us to Baghdad or The Shrine of Jimmy Swaggart in Baton Rouge.

Indications are that terrorists might target U.S. tourists spots as well, so I've also cancelled an automobile trip to Hollywood in Tennessee, despite the fact there is a new museum there, featuring such artifacts as Dolly's first wig, and her training bra, which still has the original wheels.

I've also decided not to go near any military installations, oil refineries or CNN headquarters in downtown Atlanta.

In fact, I think until this thing finally is over, I'll just stay in the house with my dog, Mohammad, and watch the mysterious Roto-Rooter van that's been parked across the street for a couple of days.

I don't mean to get hysterical or anything, but unless somebody tried to flush a gas mask down the toilet, nothing should take that long to unclog.

Saddam Hussein joins ignoble cast

By VINCENT CARROLL

Less than a year ago The Economist magazine noted, in a lengthy survey of the Arab world, that "Iraq enjoys an almost perfect balance of oil, population and water: Its future will be bright unless President Hussein starts another war."

A prudent qualification, it turns out. Like everyone who has enough, Saddam Hussein wanted more.

At what point do you suppose he realized he'd overreached? Did misgivings set in on Aug. 5, when President Bush declared that the invasion of Kuwait "will not stand"? Or was it on Nov. 8, with the doubling of U.S. troops in the Gulf, that Saddam suddenly wondered if he'd gone one border too far?

Nov. 29 must have been a bleak day for the bully of Baghdad. That was when the U.N. Security Council approved the use of force, a move Congress imitated on Jan. 12. But

still the thought must have tugged at Saddam: This can't be happening. What the heck do these Americans care about Kuwait?

A British wag has quipped that it takes a special sort of incompetence for a third-rate dictator to maneuver himself into war with the most powerful nation on Earth. He might have added that it takes a heady mix of obstinacy and arrogance for a ruler to sacrifice an entire country on behalf of his own swollen sense of destiny.

But whatever the psychology at work, it's hardly new. Destroying a nation in a hopeless cause is the trademark of a certain kind of warrior throughout history. Napoleon waged battle until the only Frenchmen left to press into service were 15-year-olds.

When Metternich remarked on the pitiful state of his troops, Napoleon boasted, "I'm going to bury the world in my ruin."

By 1944, every perceptive Ger-

man knew the Third Reich was spent. Yet Hitler fought on, all the while complaining to Albert Speer that the German people had let him down.

Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, mastermind of the strike on Pearl Harbor, realized even before the war's first volley that Japan was decisively outmatched.

"Should hostilities break out between Japan and the United States," he wrote in early 1941, "it would not be enough that we take Guam and the Philippines, nor even Hawaii and San Francisco. To make victory certain, we would have to march into Washington and dictate the terms of peace in the White House. I wonder if our politicians, among whom armchair arguments about war are being glibly bandied about in the name of state politics, have confidence as to the final outcome and are prepared to make the necessary sacrifices."

So why did Yamamoto fight?

Duty, loyalty, honor: all the human virtues that ensure a good bloodbath.

Of course, Saddam is small potatoes compared with Napoleon, Hitler or Yamamoto. In retrospect, the Iraqi's vain ambition may more closely resemble that of Francisco Solano Lopez, the 19th-century Paraguayan dictator whose father left him one of the most powerful armies in South America.

No less incompetent or stone-headed than Saddam, Lopez promptly maneuvered himself into war against Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina — the combined force which smashed through Paraguay like Attila reborn. By the time the allies were through, they'd slaughtered three-quarters of the country's male citizens, a setback from which it has never recovered.

One good thing, though: Among those dead citizens was Lopez himself. Let us hope that for Saddam now, too, the hourglass empties.

Letters to the editor

It's time to take a stand

To the editor:

Have all of you noticed that lately there have been all sorts of articles in the paper about how our state government is going to help solve all of our problems with all sorts of "new" programs. Below is one example of how the state government is going to use the "deep pocket" method to solve our "school funding" problem. (Didn't know you had a problem, did you?)

First, the state government is proposing to set a uniform tax rate to support our school system. If you are lucky enough to live in a "poor" district you will benefit by getting to keep the tax money you raise (minus the state's administrative costs, of course). If you are unfortunate enough to live in a "rich" school district then you will be blessed by being able to take part of the tax money you raise and send it to the aforementioned "poor" school districts.

This is assuming that after this solution is imposed that you even have a school district. Either way you can rest assured that the state will figure out a way to tax you for schools even if you no longer have one for your children. After you "help" the "poor" districts pay their bills then you will also be privileged to help pay your fair share of the state's administrative costs.

Another blessing of the state's thinking is that we will no longer be allowed to incur any additional indebtedness because they will control all of the purse strings. The state will set the standards that all school districts must follow as well as control the financial end of the business of educating our children. Sounds kind of like the philosophy of people like Lenin and Marx, doesn't it?

After all, aren't we who are raising our children and who are paying the bills too stupid and uninformed to make intelligent decisions concerning the raising or educating of our children? The only ones that are intelligent and informed enough to make these decisions must surely be in the state government. It sounds like they must be taking their lessons from the federal government, doesn't it?

I am sure that everyone in this part of the state must be aware that the large cities in the eastern half of the state are the ones who have the majority of the votes and therefore make the decisions in Austin. Since they will always have more people and thus more votes than we have, doesn't it make sense that they will always be

the deciding factor in how the state decides on any matter?

If we don't want our schools being run by a bunch of big city folks then we must fight this school reform issue with every ounce of effort that we can raise. Keep in mind that the only solution to any problem that the governmental bodies can come up with the majority of the time is to raise taxes (or make up new ones).

If we don't take a stand now then you can rest assured that the state will seek more and more control over our schools until we have lost total control over the education of our children.

Write or call your representatives and let them know that we will not put up with this type of intrusion into our lives.

Bill Brady
Pampa

Is anybody listening?

To the editor:

Well, here we go again. The people that we elected to represent us in Austin have failed us again. Rep. Chisum voted against giving us the opportunity of deciding for ourselves whether or not we wanted a state lottery. So what if the poor want to spend their money on foolishness. He wasn't sent to Austin to be his brother's keeper. He should be trying to figure out how to save money instead of ways to spend it.

Now they are going to try and get a state income tax law passed this year. I wonder if they will give us an opportunity to vote on this.

The only thing wrong with the economy in this country is that after we pay the high salaries of Congress and pay the taxes imposed on us by our state government — who has anything left to buy anything with?

You can start with the precinct chairperson of the Republican and Democratic parties and go all the way to the top of our elected officials and you can't find a person intelligent enough to figure out how to stop this run-away inflation.

Surely someone in this country has enough clout to influence these people into saying enough is enough.

While I am disgusted with the way things are going, let me say something about three agitators that are constantly complaining about city government. First it was the parks, then the golf course, and now smoking in public places. Why don't you put your efforts to some-

thing worthwhile and start writing the politicians in Austin and Washington?

I feel better already, but I doubt if anyone heard.

Jack Daniel
Pampa

Troops felt the support of the people at home

To the editor:

I want to take the time to thank the people of Pampa for the support that is being given to the troops over here in Saudi Arabia.

My squadron, through the Pampa Daily News, has seen the yellow ribbons, trees planted, and the support.

It is nice to know that we are appreciated, it means a lot to us all.

I also wanted to thank the Desert Shield Support Group for their card and the support they have given my family. The Army trains me for this kind of thing, but the families get no training at all. Thank you all for your support.

Lance Logue
Saudi Arabia

Enough is enough!

To the editor:

Having moved to Pampa 11 years ago, I have observed about two years of the "boom" and the following several years of extremely difficult times for individuals and businesses in Pampa. During this period, I have been employed by a major manufacturer of oil field equipment which has been an outstanding corporate citizen despite economic difficulties. Also during this period I owned a 50 percent interest in a small business which failed because of our economic downturn. These associations support the sincerity of my statement that I am an enthusiastic supporter of a healthy petroleum industry and that I encourage shopping Pampa first to support our local merchants.

However, I am compelled to speak out against those who control gasoline prices and take advantage of our community as we struggle through these difficult times. There is no reason for our having to pay 20 cents per gallon more than Amarillo and Borger or 15 cents more than White Deer. While I am willing to pay somewhat higher prices if necessary to support local merchants, I

refuse to participate any longer in a price gouging scheme which provides unfair profits to a selected few.

Finally I decided to do something about it... and it is not moving somewhere else as I understand a local gasoline distributor has suggested. During the past two weeks, I have taken the time to drive to one of the nearby communities which offers gasoline at lower prices and fill up my vehicle. There is some loss of time but I do save some money even after considering the gasoline consumed by the round trip. It is my intention to continue to do such until the unfair pricing is corrected and made competitive for a sustained period.

I urge others to join me in this expression of dissatisfaction with the way our community is being treated. This is not only a matter of economics but also one of principle. Enough is enough!

W.J. Orr
Pampa

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Kuwait's oilmen tried to keep Iraq from burning wealth

By MARK FRITZ
Associated Press Writer

AHMADI, Kuwait (AP) — They made friends with the Iraqis, plying them with cash, food and television sets so the invaders would not destroy the well-oiled machine that made Kuwait fabulously rich.

When Iraqi soldiers rolled into the emirate, the people who ran the oil industry say they tried to protect the nation's wealth by cajoling, fooling, bribing and pretending to go along with their conquerors.

In terms of lives saved, they believe the approach worked. In terms of protecting the industry, it failed.

Days before the allies launched their land assault, Iraqi soldiers

began detonating explosive charges that had been laid at the wells back in August. About 800 of the nation's 1,000 wells were damaged and hundreds still burn out of control, destroying 3 to 4 million barrels of crude a day.

"We tried to organize the resistance in a civil manner," said Ali al-Qabandi, budget chief for the Kuwaiti Oil Co., adding that the oil infrastructure is 85 percent destroyed. "We had hoped the destruction would not be as much."

"We feel angry. We feel sorry. We did our best. The magnitude of the destruction is disastrous."

Pillars of fire burst from the sand like giant blowtorches just a few hundred yards from Ahmadi, headquarters of the national oil company

nestled in the vast Burgan oil field. It is home to thousands of workers, members of a pampered, self-contained subculture devoted to Kuwaiti oil. Hundreds of Americans and other Westerners were among its residents.

"This was like living in Oklahoma," said drilling supervisor Paul King, an American from Purcell, Okla., who has lived here for nine years.

"We had schools, stores, everything you could ask for," he said. "You never had to lock your doors around here. I got three children, and two of them think they're Kuwaiti."

King, who coincidentally took his family on vacation just 12 hours before the Aug. 2 invasion, was

among a handful of Westerners who began returning to their ransacked homes last week as Kuwaiti Oil began the process of putting the nation's livelihood back together.

For the people who stayed, mostly Kuwaitis, putting out the fires and repairing the damage is the second chapter of the nightmare that began Aug. 2.

Immediately after the invasion, oil officials activated an emergency plan designed to keep minimum production to supply the country with petroleum and the natural gas that is its main utility.

"The Iraqis came in and they found us managing the company," al-Qabandi said. "We stayed, but we tried to be a hindrance to them."

"In the first days when the Iraqis came in, I went to speak to them. I said 'Look guys, this is a work camp. We are not armed. Do not harm them.'"

He said Iraq's Republican Guards almost immediately began planting mines and explosives at the well

fields, and stole much of the equipment and records.

Oil production plunged from 1.5 million barrels daily to about 100,000, he said, although the Iraqis tried to increase it at one point and even brought in some of their own people to work the fields, he said.

Although there was little direct resistance, one oil official who asked not to be named said he and others would drive into Kuwait City about 40 miles to the north to run down lone Iraqi soldiers with their cars.

They say after October or November, however, such incidents began to abate because of increasingly "vicious, indiscriminate" responses by the Iraqis.

Al-Qabandi said he personally bribed, befriended and misled Iraqis to protect the oil operation and its employees and to gather intelligence that was sent to the allies.

"We gave them large amounts of money, videos, PCs (personal computers), food. They loved electron-

ics," he said. "We identified so many targets for the allies."

Bribery persuaded some senior Iraqi military officers to remove explosives from the oil wells, al-Qabandi said. But the mines were later returned.

He said the resistance in Ahmadi kept Westerners and Kuwaitis hidden, smuggled some out of the country and set up a system to distribute food and other essentials to people in hiding.

"We did it in a very well-organized and coordinated manner," he said. "If we had done it any other way, we would have been dead."

Then the Iraqis began igniting hundreds of oil wells.

Al-Qabandi said the Burgan field, the nation's biggest and richest, went up on Feb. 18.

"You just heard the boom," he said. "Then another one, it sounded like three at a time. Boom-boom-boom. Boom-boom-boom. It was like music. A terrible music."

Texas oil firefighters brace for Kuwait blazes

AHMADI, Kuwait (AP) — Their flashy blue or orange jumpsuits, fancy engraved hardhats and Texas drawls jump out of the bleak landscape like brightly animated characters in a black-and-white film.

The oil firefighters are in town, here to battle the hundreds of oil well fires scattered throughout Kuwait that are destroying 3 to 4 million barrels of crude a day.

It won't be easy, said Larry Flak, head of the team and an official with the OGE Drilling Co. of Dallas.

"You've got to start with one well at a time," he said. "I'd say at this point it'll probably take a year, although at some point we're going to get pretty good at it."

The team, from three U.S. companies including one owned by famed oil firefighter Red Adair,

began gathering last week at an abandoned hotel in this town, headquarters of the Kuwaiti Oil Co.

Now they're touring the blazes, which have blackened the skies over Kuwait and northern Saudi Arabia, at times even blotting out the sun.

"We're trying to get a handle on the logistics, the existing infrastructure up here," Flak said.

He said Kuwait's bombed-out roads and crippled utilities will hinder the firefighting, which will take maybe a thousands workers.



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Monks lead protest at Chinese embassy

LONDON (AP) — Tibetan monks demonstrated outside the Chinese Embassy Saturday to mark the 32nd anniversary of their country's occupation.

The monks then led 200 balloon-carrying demonstrators to 10 Downing Street to protest Prime Minister John Major's refusal to meet the Dalai Lama during his visit to Britain on March 17.

The Tibetan spiritual leader, in exile since 1959, was invited to Britain by the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Tibet, which requested the meeting with Major.

"At present the government seems to rely on the views of the Chinese regarding Tibet — rather like discussing a better deal for Kuwait with Saddam Hussein," said Lord Ennals, who joined in Saturday's march.

Though Major declined to meet the Dalai Lama, a meeting was arranged with Lord Mackay, the Lord Chancellor, chief legal officer of England and Wales. Mackay will be the highest-ranking British official to meet with the Dalai Lama since his exile began.

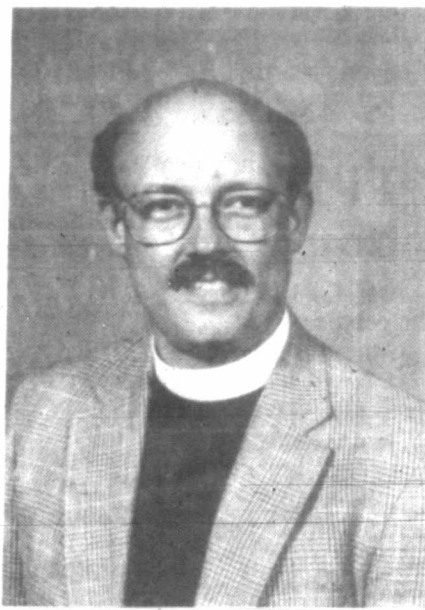
St. Matthew's to host 'Quiet Day'

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 727 W. Browning, is conducting a "Quiet Day" on Tuesday with the Rev. Fred H. Tinsley, Jr., associate rector of St. Andrew's in Amarillo as leader and Father Bill Bailey, rector of St. Matthew's, assisting.

Father Tinsley was born and reared in Pampa, graduating from Pampa High School in 1966. He attended the University of Oklahoma, graduating with a bachelor's degree in pharmacy in 1972. He married the former Judy Watkins, also of Pampa, in 1969. They have two daughters, Stephanie and Amanda.

While a communicate of St. Matthew's, he attended the school of theology, the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., graduating with a master's degree in divinity in 1982. He was ordained deacon in 1982 at St. Matthew's in Pampa, and he was ordained priest in 1983 at the Church of the Holy Trinity in Midland.

From 1982 to the present, he has served congregations within the diocese of Northwest Texas as follows: Holy Trinity, Midland; Grace and Trinity Churches in Vernon and Quanah; Holy Cross Church/All



Rev. Fred H. Tinsley Jr.

Saints Episcopal School as chaplain and some time teacher of mathematics, Lubbock; and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Amarillo. He has served on the diocesan Commission on Mission, the Conference Center Governing Board, the Standing Committee, and was dean of primary conferences at the Quarterman Conference Center for five summers. He is currently serving on

the Executive Council and chair of the Diocesan Youth Committee. His court parish responsibilities include working with the Christian Education Commission, with the Episcopal Youth group, with the Evangelism and Outreach Committees, and teaching a mid-week Bible study in addition to preaching and pastoral duties. He is serving as secretary on the board of the Panhandle AIDS Support Organization and does some work with Hospice of Amarillo as a volunteer.

The schedule for the "Quiet Day" is as follows:
10:00 a.m. - 10:50 Holy Eucharist, Unction, and sermon
10:50 - 11:00 Coffee Break
11:00 - 11:20 First Meditation
11:20 - 12:00 Quiet Time, Confession, silent prayers
12:00 - 12:15 Noonday Prayers
12:15 - 1:00 brown bag lunch in parish hall
1:00 - 1:20 last meditation
1:20 - 1:50 Quiet Time, Confession, silent prayers
1:50 - 2:00 concluding prayers.

The community is invited. Anyone may choose from the "come and go" schedule or stay for the entire day. A nursery will be provided.

Stanford U. focus of storm over federal research bills

By LAURA MYERS
Associated Press Writer

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Stanford University President Donald Kennedy holds firm at the eye of a storm of accusations that taxpayers paid up to \$200 million too much for federal research at the campus in the 1980s.

"I don't feel at all depressed or discouraged by this," Kennedy said, a tight smile failing to mask his uneasiness as this week's congressional hearing nears and the school faces the harshest criticism of its 100 years.

"But I don't expect to have a fun time in Washington. ... I expect in the end we'll be held more accountable than in the past."

The storm broke last year across the bow of the university yacht, Victoria, and other boats that Stanford acknowledged billing the federal government \$186,000 to maintain. The university has agreed that money should be paid back.

Stanford has since agreed to reimburse the government an additional \$500,000 that was listed as research overhead costs but went for the upkeep of the president's three residences. It blamed the errors on poor accounting.

A Navy inquiry released Feb. 7 found that the potential for overcharges existed because the Office of Naval Research didn't audit Stanford's indirect cost bills for research.

Lack of an audit paper trail made it difficult to uncover any exact overbilling on the \$240 million in annual federal research at Stanford.

Indirect costs, also known as overhead, include expenses not directly connected to specific research such as utilities, building depreciation, administration, libraries and some student services and upkeep.

Paul Biddle, the Navy contract negotiator who uncovered the over-

billing and laxity by his predecessors up to 1988, claims Stanford has overbilled the government as much as \$200 million during the 1980s, an allegation that six federal agencies are investigating.

His estimate is more than one-third of the \$554 million in overhead costs Stanford reaped in the 1980s.

An audit is being conducted now as part of the investigation, which has spread to such institutions as Harvard Medical School and the University of Pennsylvania. Government sources say the California Institute of Technology and the University of Southern California also are targets.

"From my travels and talking to colleges elsewhere, people are absolutely terrified by what's happening at Stanford," said David Goodstein, vice provost at Caltech in Pasadena.

University officials should be worried, said Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., chairman of the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce that will hold the hearing Wednesday.

"This is exactly the way the subcommittee investigation of defense contractor overhead abuse began — with the identification of a few horror stories that led to an indictment of the entire system," Dingell said.

Subcommittee investigators have leaked some of the more titillating audit findings. The funds paid for flowers, caterers, antique furniture, piano refinishing and a cedar-lined chest at Kennedy's house. Taxpayers helped pay for a \$17,500 reception in 1987 to introduce Kennedy's new wife, Robin.

While the charges are embarrass-

ing, Kennedy maintained that those costs were allowable under an indirect cost pool system by which the government picks up 20 percent of the tab for administrative bills.

Others at Stanford can't fathom the reasoning.

"I don't think the faculty knew we were charging the taxpayer for fancy parties at Kennedy's mansion," said political science professor John Manley. "This has mightily damaged Stanford's reputation. Even my barber knew about this scandal."

Stanford has a reputation for aggressively striking deals to get the most from the indirect cost recovery system. But critics say checks and balances to control the school's hunger for public dollars were missing in negotiations between Stanford and government.

"During the '80s at Stanford, the government safety net was so loose that sharks were being allowed in," charged Biddle.

The indirect cost rate rose from 58 percent to 74 percent during the 1980s at Stanford, but after the investigation began dropped to 70 percent — still among the highest rates in the country.

It means that for every dollar in research grants considered allowable for purposes of calculating overhead grants, Stanford gets 70 cents for overhead, or indirect, costs. Only tuition at the 10,000-student school is a greater revenue source for Stanford's \$1 billion annual operating budget.

Stanford attributes most of the indirect cost rate increase to a multi-million-dollar building program, but Biddle blames it on a "cozy" relationship his predecessors had with school officials.

Abortion law sponsor pledges to fix problem provision

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The sponsor of the state's strict anti-abortion law says he intends to fix a provision of the law that would allow prosecutors to bring murder charges against women who terminate their pregnancies.

"It isn't as serious as it appears," said Republican state Sen. LeRay McAllister. "It was an oversight that was not corrected. But we fully intend to do that, and we will do that in a special session or next year."

McAllister said prosecuting women who have abortions on murder charges "will never be done" because Gov. Norm Bangert has suspended enforcement of the act pending resolution of promised lengthy court challenges against it.

The new law is considered the nation's toughest. It bans abortions except in cases of rape or incest, providing the operation is performed no later than 20 weeks into the pregnancy; in cases of grave danger to the mother's medical health, or if the fetus suffers grave defects.

While the act provides criminal penalties for doctors performing

illegal abortions — a \$5,000 fine and up to five years in prison — McAllister said it wasn't meant to include women seeking abortions.

American Civil Liberties Union attorneys, researching a planned constitutional challenge to the law, found the murder prosecution provision.

They contend that under Utah's existing criminal homicide statutes, women who have abortions — and doctors performing them — could face capital homicide charges.

"I call this the dupe statute, because on its face, it pretends that women will face no criminal penalties, but it really makes them subject to the death penalty," said Janet Benshoof, an ACLU lawyer who plans to file a lawsuit challenging the law later this month.

The problem stems from a 1983 amendment to include illegal abortions within the state's criminal homicide law.

Legislative counsel Janetha Hancock, who spearheaded drafting of the 1991 abortion law, acknowledged that action never came up in debate over the bill.

McAllister said the Legislature might take up the task of closing

the abortion act's flaw during a special session, which was expected anyway to address fiscal issues.

Lawmakers could return to the capital as early as next month, or later this summer.

"We will correct it. There will be no effort to prosecute women criminally," McAllister said. "But there's no hurry; the law can't go into effect until it goes through the courts and that will take at least two years."

Francine Giani, Bangert's press secretary, emphasized that when the governor signed the bill on Jan. 26, it was only on condition its enforcement be delayed until legal challenges were complete.

"The bill will never really be in force," she said. "That is the reason he went ahead and signed it. The governor's intention is to have the bill tested in the Supreme Court."

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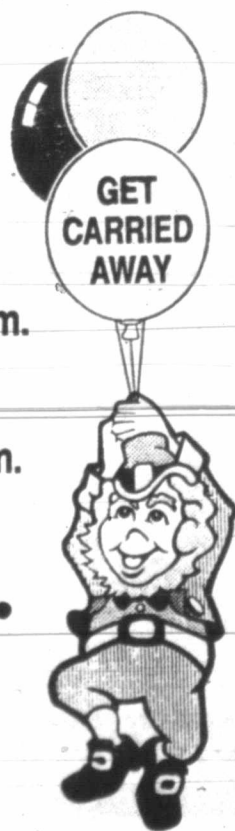
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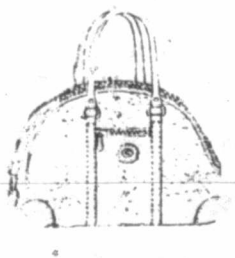
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(AP Laserphoto)
Spc. Dave Bell gives his five-month-old son Dave Jr. a kiss after arriving at Ft. Stewart, Ga., on Friday. It was Bell's first visit with his new son after returning with members of the 24th Mechanized Infantry Division from duties in the Persian Gulf.

Joy and tons of red, white and blue greet soldiers

By PATRICIA CALHOUN BIBBY
Associated Press Writer

Soldiers wended their way home on Saturday and were met by ebullient throngs of loved ones and well-wishers. One planeload of troops savored a "very emotional moment" as they flew over the Statue of Liberty.

Another soldier planned to meet his son for the first time Saturday and then marry the boy's mother later in the day.

The tide of returning troops began flowing toward the United States on Friday, when some 4,000 U.S. soldiers headed home to bases in Texas, California, Maine, North Carolina, Georgia, Kentucky, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

More troops were scheduled to arrive throughout the weekend. Among the states with homecomings set for Saturday were Texas, New Mexico, Florida, Hawaii, North Carolina, Oklahoma, and Michigan.

About 540,000 U.S. servicemen and women were sent to Saudi Arabia after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2. Bringing them back is expected to take several months.

Soldiers bound for Fort Hood, Texas, aboard a Boeing 747 broke into cheers when they saw Lady Liberty in New York Harbor on their way to a stopover in Newark, N.J.

"It was a very emotional moment for the troops," said Ned Walker, a spokesman for Continental Airlines, which flew 401 members of the 2nd Armored Division and 1st Cavalry Division from Saudi Arabia to Fort Hood, Texas, via London and Newark, N.J.

The pilot was Capt. Butch Meyer, who had served as a pilot in Vietnam, Walker said. The plane itself had a 10-foot-high yellow ribbon painted on the door.

"The captain said he could hear the troops cheering and clapping at all the sites, but particularly when they saw the Statue of Liberty," Walker said.

A chartered Pan Am 747 carrying 400 members of the 2nd Armored and 1st Cavalry beat the Continental flight to Fort Hood. As troops stepped from the jet, they waved American flags, flashed victory signs and yelled "Home at last!"

Several miles of roadway leading from Robert Gray Army Airfield to

the entrance of Fort Hood were lined by thousands of people honking their car horns, cheering, and waving American flags and banners welcoming the troops arriving Saturday.

Trees, bushes, telephone poles and highway overpasses were covered with yellow bows and wrapped in red-white-and-blue crepe paper.

Navy hospital corpsman Rod Hanson was looking forward to seeing his son for the first time in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, a few hours before his wedding ceremony. But there won't be time for a honeymoon — Hanson just has a weekend pass.

Hanson, 22, had proposed to Julie Prilipp, 19, in August and planned a

September wedding. But two days after proposing, Hanson was ordered to report for duty in the Persian Gulf, and five days later, he was headed overseas.

His son, Tyler, was born Jan. 5, while Hanson was aboard the USS Guam.

Hanson recalls getting his orders to report to his commander at a nearby Navy hospital in Chicago.

"I was mad. I was emotionally depressed because what I was leaving behind," he said. "Once the fighting stopped my main concern was getting home and seeing my son, my fiancée and my family and being able to live a normal life again."

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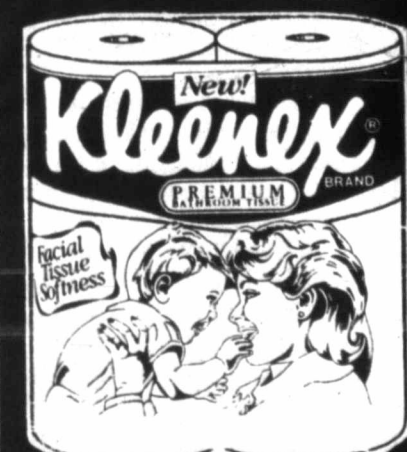
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Soldier's reception reminds father of contrast to Vietnam homecoming

By ROBERT DVORCHAK
AP National Writer

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Mike Marshall was grateful for the hero's homecoming given his paratrooper son. The unabashed outpouring of adulation was something he was denied when he came home from Vietnam a generation ago.

"I just wanted a pat on the back and a thank you. And we didn't get that," said Marshall, who traveled from Blanchard, Okla., to greet

returning soldiers of the Army's 82nd Airborne Division.

"All we had was people throwing oranges and tomatoes and stuff at us," Marshall said. "I'll never forget that as long as I live."

What was thrown for his son, Spec. 4 Ronnie Marshall, 22, and other returning paratroopers was a patriotic party. The community around their home base of Fort Bragg was a sea of U.S. flags, yellow ribbons and 3,000 yelping, placard-waving people welcoming home soldiers from the Persian Gulf on

Friday.

One giant banner read simply "Welcome Home — Job Well Done." On a tarmac of Pope Air Force Base, families cried, laughed and embraced during emotional reunions in the afternoon chill.

Marshall's son served with the 4th Battalion of the 325th Parachute Infantry Regiment, the first ground troops sent to Saudi Arabia seven months ago and the first U.S. unit to enter Iraq during the ground war.

"I think this reception will be

something that he'll remember all his life. And it'll be something I'll always remember," said Marshall, a 1968 veteran of two tours in Vietnam.

"I don't think I've ever seen anything like it. I think this will put in their minds that America is behind them. If I had something like this, I wouldn't have the sour taste in my mouth that I do today," he said.

"I expected everybody to just give me a big hug and say thank you. I thought you'd come back and

work in society, and people would kind of look up to you," Marshall said.

"I didn't have a town parade or anything. You just kind of drifted back into society," he said. "I never really did get a greeting or a handshake or anything like that. I think the American people just wanted to forget it."

All the hoopla was a bit bewildering for triumphant troops. From the moment they left Saudi Arabia, they were cheered by flight attendants wearing yellow ribbons and miniature flags on their uniforms.

Now they'll be honored at parades and ceremonies, such as the recep-

tion one planeload of paratroopers got when they stopped in New York City for refueling en route home.

"I wish the Vietnam vets would have gotten a reception like this," said Pfc. Todd Meyer, 21, of Huntington Beach, Calif. Meyer's father served in the Air Force in the Vietnam War.

Meanwhile, Sgt. Maj. Charles Terrian, 39, also a Vietnam veteran, cherished the welcoming parties that he never got.

"The American people are making up for it now," said Terrian of Fayetteville. "To me, it's healed a lot of wounds. Let's bury Vietnam forever."

Iraqi-Americans await word on families

By DAVID GOODMAN
Associated Press Writer

SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (AP) — In Alham Al-Sakka's home, a television has flickered almost without interruption since the first U.S. bombs fell on her old hometown of Baghdad nearly two months ago.

"I have my sister there, her husband and three boys, my aunt," Al-Sakka said, clutching a bunch of family photographs. "I have four cousins and their babies. We have not heard anything."

"Twenty-four hours we watch CNN, crying and praying," said Al-Sakka, who immigrated here 10 years ago. Her 8-year-old son, Omar, piped in: "We hope everybody cares about our family."

While Americans coast-to-coast

welcome home victorious troops from the six-week Persian Gulf War, tens of thousands of other Iraqi-Americans remain caught in a fearful limbo awaiting word on the fate of their loved ones.

"To know who's dead and who's alive, that's the main thing,"

— Samir Barka

Since the war erupted Jan. 16-17, virtually no communication has been possible between the Detroit area's 50,000-member Iraqi community and family members in Iraq. Most Iraqis here are Chaldeans, a Christian minority in Iraq.

"To know who's dead and who's alive, that's the main

thing," said Samir Barka, who left behind two brothers and a network of relatives when he left Iraq in 1978.

Barka met many of his relatives during a visit to Baghdad in September. Since mid-January, he's had only one piece of news — a picture of his cousin, George Yousif, in a group of Iraqi soldiers captured by the U.S.-led allies.

To channel their concerns about war-ravaged Iraq, Chaldean leaders said Friday they were raising \$200,000 to send medical supplies to Iraq, and already have four-fifths of that. Their group, Victims of War, was awaiting approval from the Bush administration to send their first shipment.

Barka, an opponent of the U.S. decision to use force to drive Iraq's army out of Kuwait, said

his only concern is that the war "becomes history" and that Chaldeans learn the fate of their families.

Most young and middle-aged Iraqi men served in the army, and as many as 100,000 soldiers are estimated to have been killed.

"I have 16 cousins in the army," said Nadia Sukkar of Oak Park, a native of Basra who immigrated to the United States in 1982. She returned here Nov. 13 after a six-month visit home.

Her native city, which U.S. officials characterized as a military center, came in for heavy bombardment in the war and is now being torn by fighting between rebels and forces loyal to President Saddam Hussein. "When the war started, everything stopped," she said.

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Sports

Triple overtime game may be one for the record books

Harvesters come up short in state semi-finals

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

Pampa's breathtaking 80-77 triple overtime setback to San Antonio Alamo Heights in the Class 4A state semi-finals Thursday night in Austin will be remembered and talked about for a long time to come.

The whirlwind finish left an Erwin Center audience of 10,124 shellshocked and UIL officials believe it is the first triple overtime game in the 70-year history of the state tournament.

"I guess if you're going to go out, it's good to go out with a record," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale.

It was the tenth state appearance for a Pampa boys' basketball team, which has won four tournament championships, the last title coming in 1959. Pampa's last trip to the state tournament came in 1982, the Harvesters losing to San Antonio Churchill in the semi-finals.

Alamo Heights, which won state titles in 1952 and 1954, should change its nickname from the Mules to the Magicians, after their rabbit-out-the-hat overtime heroics.

Point guard Glenn Winship was the main instigator of the Mules' magic in the first two overtimes.

After two free throws by Cederick Wilbon gave Pampa a 64-62 lead with three seconds to go in the first overtime, Winship fired an in-bounds pass the length of the floor, and after ricocheting off several players near the foul line, the ball ended up in the hands of the Mules' Andrew Meabias, who banked a shot in to knot the score as time expired.

It was Wilbon again who gave Pampa what appeared to be the winning margin on two free throws, making the score 71-68, the Harvesters' favor with five seconds remaining in the second OT. Winship, though drilled a 3-point goal at the buzzer to send the game into the last overtime period.

Winship, who quarterbacked the Mules' football team this season, said the long in-bounds pass was a designed play that Alamo Heights has worked on before coming to the

state tournament.

"We had practiced the play several times, but we had never tried it during the game. I never dreamed we would ever use it," Winship said. "Pampa has a great team, but I thought we responded well under pressure those first two overtimes."

With 2:44 left in the last and final OT, Alamo Heights' Ben Hart canned a pair of free throws to put his team ahead, 73-71. The Mules never trailed again and led by as many as six.

The Harvesters were far from finished, however, and made their final run with 1:26 remaining.

Wilbon, who scored 24 points for the night, hit a 3-pointer to close the gap to 78-75 at the 1:05 mark.

Pampa junior Randy Nichols came up with a steal on the other end, but Wilbon misfired on a 3-point goal that would have knotted the score.

Pampa's press forced another Alamo Heights' turnover and this time Wilbon converted a layup to cut the deficit to one, 78-77, with 19 seconds to go.

The Harvesters started fouling in an effort to get possession as the final seconds were ticking away and the strategy almost worked.

Winship and Meabias missed consecutive foul shots, but the Mules were able to grab both rebounds. On the final miss, David Peavy put back in the offensive rebound with six seconds left to give Alamo Heights the final 80-77 advantage.

There was no hint of a triple overtime thriller when the first quarter came to an end.

Alamo Heights hit five of its first six shots from the floor, including a 3-pointer by Trevor Bain, and led 17-9 at the end of the first quarter.

But the Harvesters came out smoking in the second quarter.

The Harvesters, led by David Johnson's 3-point shooting, ran off 13 unanswered points to forge ahead, 26-18, at halftime.

Johnson, who hit four 3-point goals in the second quarter, ended the night with 16 points.

Alamo Heights starting coming back in the third quarter, but Pampa

hung onto a two-point lead, 53-51, going into the final eight minutes of regulation time.

The early part of the fourth quarter belonged to Alamo Heights, who ran off eight straight points to take a six-point 59-53 lead with 4:15 to go.

It was the Harvesters' turn to rally, scoring the next seven points on a 3-point play by Wilbon, an inside bucket by Nichols and two free throws by Johnson for a 60-59 lead with 2:15 remaining.

Pampa missed opportunities to build on the narrow lead by missing the front end of three one-on-one free throw situations in the last 50 seconds.

With four seconds remaining the Mules had a chance to go ahead, but Peavy connected on only one of two free throw attempts to knot the score at 60-60.

Hale called a time out with two seconds remaining to set up Pampa's final shot. The call went to Wilbon, but his 21-foot jumper bounced off the iron, sending the game into the first of its three overtime periods.

Jeff Young, a 6-2 junior, tied Wilbon for the game's high-point honors with 24 points. Young, who hit 10 of 13 field goal attempts, went to the bench with five fouls with 1:37 left in the final overtime. Wilbon, also a junior, was 9 of 19 from the floor.

"It's hard to come this far and lose out, but our players had an outstanding season. They never quit hustling and they never quit working hard," Hale said.

Pampa closes the 1990-91 season with a glittering 34-4 record and a No. 7 ranking in Class 4A at the end of the regular campaign.

Both the Harvester boys' and girls' basketball teams will be honored with a banquet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church cafeteria.

All players and parents are urged to attend.

Tickets can be purchased at the Pampa High School Athletic Office, 101 Randy Matson Avenue, or by calling Susan Finney at 669-6786. Tickets should be purchased before Wednesday morning.



(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Cederick Wilbon (25) looks Alamo Heights' Glenn Winship in the eye before making his move.

Alamo Heights loses in 4A finals

AUSTIN (AP) — Port Arthur Lincoln, the team of the 1980s at the schoolboy basketball tournament, won its first title in the 1990s Saturday by racing past San Antonio Alamo Heights, 77-68, in the Class 4A finals.

Lincoln (34-3), a five-time champion in the 1980s, scored in lightning spurts, led by Michael Scott with 16 points, Kelvin McKyer with 15, Vincent Shelvin with 13 and Lee Harmason and Xavier Henton, each with 12.

Alamo Heights (31-6) had survived a triple overtime game to edge Pampa, 80-77, in the 4A semifinals Thursday night but could not match Lincoln's quick athletes, who reeled off 6 points within 33 seconds at the

end of the third quarter.

That widened Lincoln's margin to 9 points, at 61-52, and the Bumble Bees held that same advantage at the end.

Alamo Heights jumped to a 17-6 lead and led at the end of the first quarter 17-12 as 6-foot-7-inch Crain Canavan had 8 points and 9 rebounds.

Canavan finished with 18 points and 15 rebounds but 6-6 teammate Ben Hart led the Mules with 25 points.

Alamo Heights, tiring at the end, committed 20 turnovers to 9 for Lincoln, which scored 26 points off mistakes by Alamo Heights.

Lincoln outshot Alamo Heights 53 percent to 48 percent but Alamo

Heights made 15 free throws to only 2 for Lincoln.

Alamo Heights won titles in 1952 and 1954, and lost in its only other tournament appearance since then, in 1988.

Lincoln suffered its first tournament loss ever last year in the semi-finals.

"Yes, there was pressure," said second-year Bee Coach Andre Boutte, who played on two championship teams at Beaumont Hebert in 1980 and 1981. "But as a coach you always feel some kind of pressure."

"Our fans always want us to be No. 1. They need to know that we are always moving forward."

Hardin-Jefferson wins 3A championship

AUSTIN (AP) — Hardin-Jefferson ran off 10 straight points at the start of the fourth quarter, opening up a 14-point edge, and the Hawks held off Clarksville, 75-68, Saturday for the Class 3A high school basketball championship.

Gene Isabell, who scored 29 points in Hardin-Jefferson's 97-52 semifinal victory over Stafford, sat out 13 minutes of the title game and finished with just 7 points.

But Shannon Holmes scored 19 points and Jeff Burke 16 points for Hardin-Jefferson (37-1), which won its second state championship, but

first since 1967. The Hawks finished second in 1984.

"That's the way it has been all year," Holmes said. "Gene and I pick each other up. When one of us is out, it's the other's responsibility to step up."

Vergil Richardson led Clarksville with 22 points and 12 rebounds, and Eric Richardson scored 18. Clarksville (35-2) was a runner-up for the second time as it also lost in the 1989 finals.

Holmes grabbed key rebounds after Clarksville closed to 58-54 at the start of the fourth quarter.

Hardin-Jefferson's 10-0 run opened up a 68-54 advantage that enabled the Hawks to run time off the clock and force Clarksville to foul.

Hardin-Jefferson started two 6-foot-7 players in Holmes and Isabell, plus the 6-4 Burke, whose long arms made it difficult for Clarksville to get the ball in play from out of bounds.

Guards Joel Nolte and Jamey Harrison swarmed the ball, helping to force 24 turnovers with their quick feet and hands. All but Harrison, a junior, are seniors.

Class 2A title goes to pressure-proof Abernathy

AUSTIN (AP) — Cody Forbes tossed in a 3-point shot to break a 46-46 tie, triggering a run of 9 straight points as pressure-proof Abernathy defeated Troup 55-46 Saturday for the Class 2A state high school basketball championship.

It was Abernathy's second state title in a week. The school won the girls' Class 2A title last weekend.

Abernathy (37-1) committed no turnovers in the first half en route to a 28-18 lead and scored the first four points of the third quarter for a 32-18 advantage before Troup began closing the gap.

Troup (33-3) went ahead for the first time, 44-43, on Edward Jasper's turnaround jumper with

2:20 to play. Justin Prather's 3-point put Abernathy back ahead, 46-44, but Jasper scored to knot the game again with 1:43 remaining.

Forbes didn't look to pass it inside for a safer shot, but set himself and swished the go-ahead basket from 20 feet for a 49-46 lead for the Antelopes, and Abernathy then hit six straight free throws to wrap up the victory. Troup outscored Abernathy from the field, but Abernathy made 11 more free throws, converting 13 of 20 charity shots to 2 or 2 for Troup.

Prather led Abernathy with 12 points. Forbes and Chad Shadden added 10 points each.

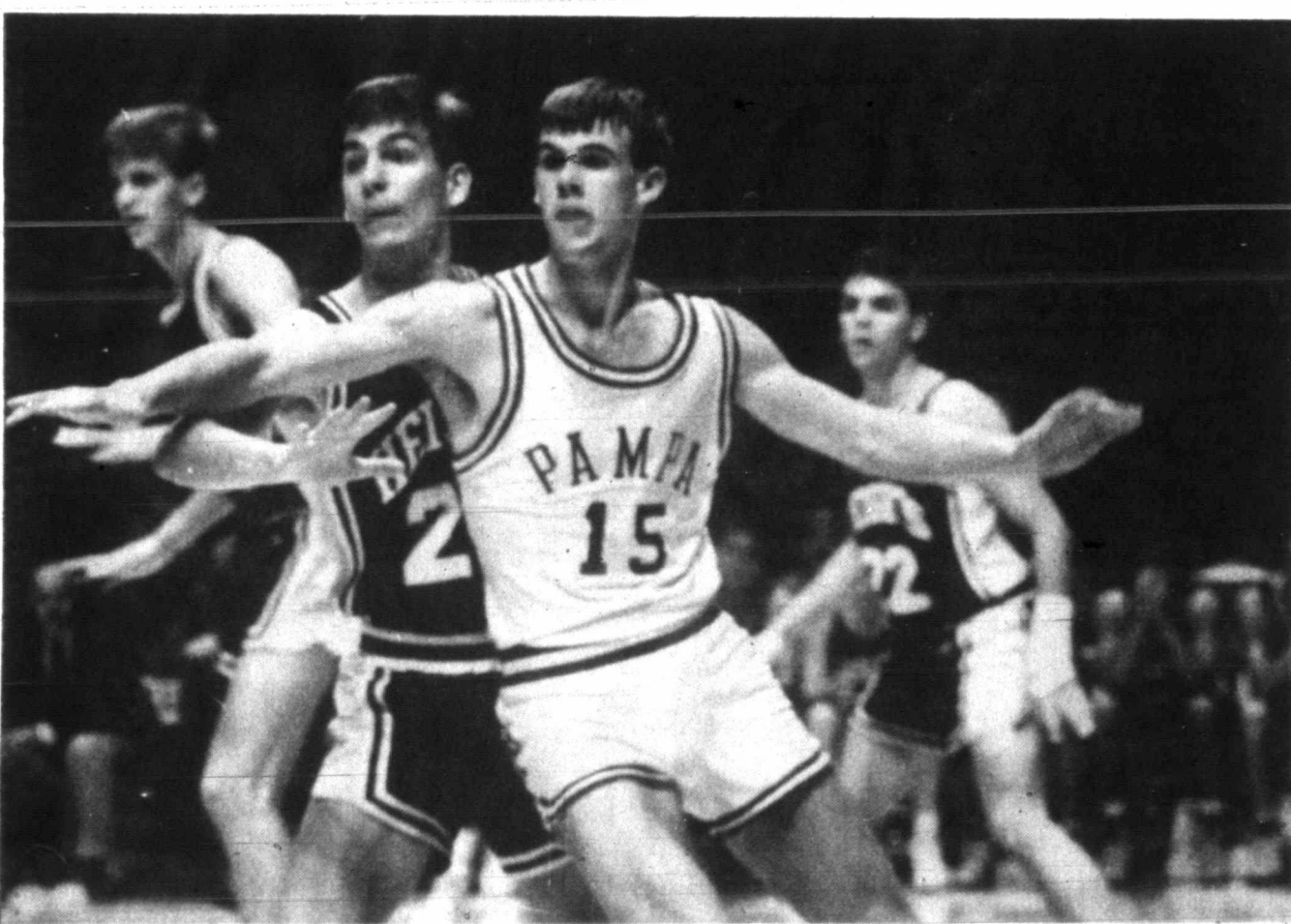
It is Abernathy's second championship. The Antelopes captured a

title in its first tournament appearance, in 1980, and lost in the semi-finals last year to Ingram Moore, which won the 2A championship.

Greg Austin, a freshman, led Troup with 16 points. Jasper had 12 but made only 5 of 21 field goal attempts.

Troup advanced to the finals in 1990, losing in the finals to Ingram Moore, 73-72. The Tigers reached the finals in 1956 and semifinals in 1988 but lost both times.

"It's pure determination," Abernathy Coach Jerry Schaeffer said. "These seniors decided when they were in the Little Dribblers in the fifth grade they wanted to win state. They can do anything they want to do."



(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Randy Nichols blocks out Alamo Heights' Andrew Maebias in first-half action.

Scoreboard

Bowling

HARVESTER WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Play More Music	67	25
Gas & Go	57/12	34/12
McBo & Go	53	39
Crow Roost	52	40
H & H Sporting	44	48
Graham Furniture	38/12	49/12
Kayes Pharmacy	34	50

CAPROCK MEN'S LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Clemens Home Repair	21	11
Ogden & Son	20	12
BGG Farm & Ranch	19	13
Renner's Knives	18	14
MCO	16	16
Millers	16	16
National Auto Salvage	16	16
Schiffman Machine	14	18
A & B Well Service	14	18
Pampa Coca-Cola	13	19
Auto Specialists	12	20
Lee's Rollers	10	22

Basketball

Major College scores

By The Associated Press

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Dearest Girl (Holland) 2.40

Time: 1:10.3

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Exacta (3-4) \$46.60

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Laureate Lad (McNeil) 3.60 2.80

Impressionist (Amussen) 2.40

Time: 1:42.3

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1 Mile-70 yds, Purse \$4,750

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Get Katz (Bickel) 7.60 4.80

Old Van River (Harvell) 3.80

Time: 1:42.4

Exacta (7-8) \$61.20

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F, Purse \$4,500

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Villanova, Tennessee pull off tourney upsets

By The Associated Press

Villanova and Tennessee had disappointing regular seasons, but they're making up for it in their conference tournaments.

Eighth-seeded Villanova upset top-seeded Syracuse 70-68 Friday in the Big East on two free throws by Greg Woodard with 4.7 seconds left. The victory came just 18 hours after the Wildcats rallied to beat Boston College 74-73 in the tournament opener at New York's Madison Square Garden.

A few days ago, Villanova appeared to have no chance to make the NCAA tournament. Now, the Wildcats (16-13) are two victories away from an automatic berth.

"All I'm concerned with is winning this tournament," Villanova coach Rollie Massimino said. "A lot has to happen between now and Sunday night."

Villanova will play Seton Hall in the semifinals. The Pirates (20-8) beat Pittsburgh 70-69 on Oliver Taylor's driving layup with one second left.

It was a bad day for favorites in the Big East. Second-seeded St. John's was beaten by Providence 72-64 and third-seeded Connecticut fell to Georgetown 68-49, the first time in tournament history that the top three seeds lost on the same day.

Tennessee's situation is strikingly similar to Villanova's. The Volunteers (11-21), seeded last in the Southeastern Conference tournament, upset top-seeded Mississippi State 87-70 Friday to reach the semifinals at Nashville, Tenn.

For the second straight day, the Volunteers beat a team that had beaten them twice during the regular season. Tennessee downed Mississippi 94-85 Thursday night.

"We're still playing, and we know that as long as there's a tournament and we're still alive, there's a chance to keep going," Tennessee coach Wade Houston said.

In other SEC quarterfinals, Auburn beat LSU

92-77, Alabama ousted Florida 71-65 and Georgia defeated Vanderbilt 80-72. LSU played without star center Shaquille O'Neal, sidelined with a leg injury.

At the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament at Charlotte, N.C., North Carolina State beat Georgia Tech 82-68, North Carolina eliminated Clemson 67-59 and Virginia downed Wake Forest 70-66.

At the Big Eight tournament in Kansas City, Mo., Missouri beat Iowa State 97-81, Oklahoma State downed Kansas State 77-66, Kansas topped Colorado 82-76 and Nebraska overcame a 13-point, second-half deficit to beat Oklahoma in overtime 117-113.

SMU upset Houston 65-62, Texas beat Baylor 88-78, Rice defeated Texas Christian 76-57 and Arkansas routed Texas A&M 108-61 at the Southwest Conference tournament in Dallas.

College basketball

Arkansas' victory margin was the biggest in SWC tournament history.

At the Mid-American tournament in Detroit, Ball State downed Central Michigan 77-69, Toledo defeated Miami of Ohio 70-59, Eastern Michigan beat Kent State 66-47 and Bowling Green topped Ohio University 66-58.

St. Louis beat Loyola of Illinois 89-78 and Xavier of Ohio downed Dayton 90-71 to reach the final of the Midwestern Collegiate Conference tournament at Dayton, Ohio.

Idaho moved into the final of the Big Sky tournament with a 93-74 victory over Nevada at Missoula, Mont. Idaho will play Montana, which beat Idaho State 109-97.

Top-ranked UNLV was slowed to a crawl by Long Beach State, but still managed to win 49-29 in the opening round of the Big West tournament at Long Beach, Calif. The defending NCAA champs stretched their winning streak to 39

games despite being held to their lowest point total of the season.

In other Big West games, Pacific beat Fullerton State 74-67, UC Santa Barbara defeated Utah State 80-76 and Fresno State shocked second-seeded New Mexico State 88-82.

Brigham Young and Utah advanced to the championship game of the Western Athletic Conference tournament in Laramie, Wyo. BYU beat Hawaii 73-71 in overtime and Utah defeated Wyoming 69-63.

Villanova rallied from a 63-47 deficit with 9:35 left to beat Syracuse for the first time in six postseason games.

"The kids showed a lot of perseverance," Massimino said. "We set goals. With five minutes to go, we wanted to be down six. With two minutes, we wanted to be down by three and that's pretty much where we were."

The loss ended Syracuse's string of eight consecutive semifinal appearances in the Big East tournament. It also may cost the Orangemen a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament, which begins Thursday.

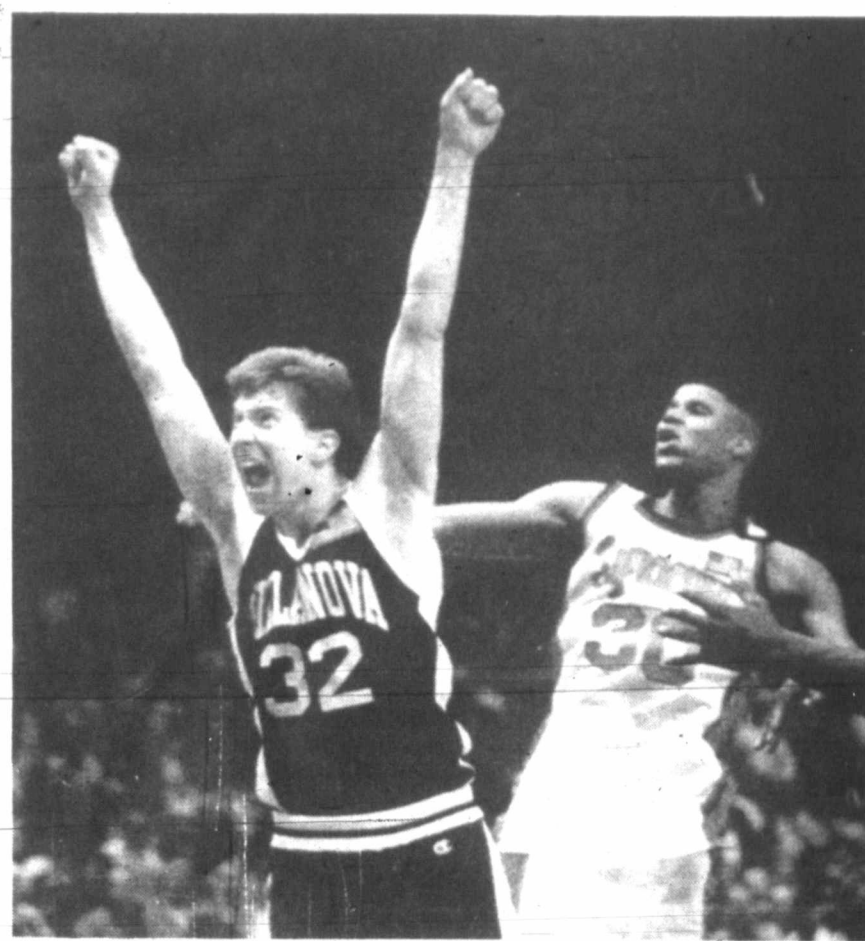
Syracuse star Billy Owens finished with 17 points and 22 rebounds, but he was on the bench for 2 1/2 minutes during Villanova's rally after picking up his fifth foul.

"With Billy out, we don't react well to pressure or play well offensively," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said. "We don't play well without him, but they made the key plays down the stretch. Villanova plays us tough. They always have."

Woodard led Villanova with 18 points.

Allan Houston scored 23 points and Carls Groves added 22 to lead Tennessee over Mississippi State.

"The tournament is a chance for us to start over," said Houston, son of the Tennessee coach. "We've come in relaxed, and we're playing with a lot of confidence. The tournament gives us an opportunity to gain respect."



(AP Laserphoto)

Villanova's Marc Dowell raises his arms in jubilation after the Wildcats defeated Syracuse, 70-68, Friday night.

NCAA launches plan to reform college basketball

By DOUG TUCKER
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Maybe it will turn out to be just 63 also-rans fighting for the right to get routed by top-ranked, defending champion UNLV.

Or maybe history will repeat itself to the tune of 1983, the year an unranked North Carolina State ambushed Akeem Olajuwon and Houston's supposedly unbeatable Phi Slamma Jama.

But one thing about the 64-team NCAA Tournament being unveiled at 6:30 p.m. EST Sunday is clearer, and in the minds of many reform-minded insiders, of more lasting note.

"As much as possible," says NCAA executive director Dick Schultz, "we've got them playing for the trophy."

With this tournament begins the NCAA's grand plan for taking money, supposedly the cause of so many college ills, and turning it into an instrument of reform. Now is when the NCAA attempts to double the tournament television revenue to \$1 billion while reducing at the same time the financial pressure to win.

Will it have any noticeable effect on how the games are coached or played over the next three weekends leading up to the Indianapolis Final Four? Definitely not, say the people who spent more than a year orchestrating the plan and selling it to the basketball powers.

Still, Schultz spoke often of eliminating "the \$200,000 free throw." And it's going to be a radical departure when athletic directors shake those NCAA checks out of the mail next month that are no longer based solely on how many tournament games their school or conference has just won.

Instead, tournament victories will

be only one factor in a complex equation that attempts to take the money and turn it, as much as possible, into an instrument of reform.

The formula is so complicated, the NCAA has staffers working on a separate explanation sheet for media covering the tournament. Essentially, it divides the seven-year \$1 billion CBS contract into two roughly equal pools, with one dispersed on the basis of such things as commitment to broad-based athletic programs, number of scholarships given, etc.

The "participation pool," is based on a rollover period that counts only the number of tournament games a school's conference played — not won — the previous six-year cycle. Each game is counted as one unit except the title game, which is not counted at all.

The unit value this year is estimated around \$42,000. And thus in an ironic fiscal twist, getting to the Final Four will produce less revenue — about \$210,000 — than the \$294,000 schools got last year for just showing up. It will be about five times less than the \$1 million that went to last year's Final Four teams.

Once the final accounting is done, most schools will wind up with more tournament money than ever before because the contract's value more than doubled. But they will earn a smaller percentage by winning tournament games.

"One way to think of it is that last year, a unit was worth \$294,000 and this year a unit is going to be worth about \$42,000," said Lou Spry, an associate executive director of the NCAA.

Although proponents of the plan used to talk about doing away with the financial pressure cooker many coaches work under, those closest to the process now insist there will be no impact on the competition itself.

Arkansas lady eagers win first SWC tournament crown

DALLAS (AP) — Sha Hopson came off the bench to score 18 points on Saturday to carry No. 8-Arkansas to a 60-51 victory over the Texas Tech Lady Red Raiders and their first Southwest Conference tournament championship.

Arkansas, 27-3, earned an automatic bid to the NCAA playoffs with the victory over Texas Tech (23-7).

Amber Nicholas and Sally Moore each scored 11 points for Arkansas and Delmonica DeHorney added 10 points.

Tech narrowed a 16-point halftime deficit to 5 points with a 16-5 rally to start the second period, but that's as close as the Lady Raiders came.

Hopson, who averaged 10 points per game, hit three 3-pointers and scored 11 points as the Lady Razorbacks built a 33-17 edge. Blair Sav-

age contributed eight points during the big Arkansas first half.

Teresa McMillan led the Lady Raiders with 15 points.

A record crowd of 9,375 watched the tournament championship game in Reunion Arena.

Large number of players sign up for first Pampa High girls' softball program

Softball

There have been 44 girls who have signed up so far for the new Pampa High School girls' softball program, reported coach Benny Horton.

"We're expecting some others to sign up also, so there's been plenty of interest," said Horton, who has coached Optimist League softball for a number of years.

Horton said the program would be divided into four teams until area schools are organized enough to form a league.

"We'll start play about mid-April with an intramural league and the season will last about six weeks," Horton said. "There's not a lot going on at that time and we'll use our sport to fill that gap."

Horton said the girls will be able to earn varsity letters and the no-pass, no-play rule will apply to the softball program.

City of Pampa Recreation Department is sponsoring the summer softball leagues again this year. Roster forms, fact sheets and by-laws will be available in the Administration Office, Room 203, at City Hall.

Roster forms, entry fees and players' fees are due on the following dates:

March 28, by 5 p.m. — Men's Open League, Men's pre-season tournament.

March 28, by 5 p.m. — Women's Open League, Men's Church League, Women's Church League,

Sports Scene

Mixed League, Women's pre-season tournament.

April 3, by 5 p.m. — Mixed pre-season tournament.

Rosters must include players' first and last names, address and phone number.

If you have any questions or further information, please call Bill Hildebrandt or Sally Henderson at 665-8481, or come by the Administration Office, Room 203, at City Hall.

A slowpitch softball Umpires Association meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. March 14 in the Gray County Courthouse courtroom.

Swimming

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Mike Barrowman, the world's fastest breaststroker, puts the Sullivan Award as the nation's top amateur on a high plateau.

"It's the ultimate achievement for a swimmer. There is nothing beyond in collegiate sport or the Olympics," said the Michigan senior from Potomac, Md.

The Sullivan Award, which an athlete can only receive once, will be presented for the 61st time Monday by the Amateur Athletic Union. Barrowman is one of 10 finalists for the award presented to the athlete honored as the nation's top amateur performer in the preceding year.

The finalists were selected by an AAU committee from among 44 nominees submitted by national

Track & Field

SEVILLE, Spain (AP) — World record holder Merlene Ottey of Jamaica overcame her loss in the 60 meters by cruising into the semifinals of the 200 meters today in the World Indoor Track and Field Championships.

Ottey, who lost to Soviet Irina Sergeyeva in the 60 on Friday to end a 73-race unbeaten streak, only had two other rivals in her heat because of withdrawals. Another, Cisse Mammaissata of Guinea, was disqualified for running out of her lane.

Ottey effectively only had Angela Williams of Trinidad to beat, but ran the second fastest qualifying time of 23.30 seconds. The fastest was Germany's Andrea Thomas with a time of 22.95. Sergeyeva won her heat in 23.35 seconds.

Britain's Linford Christie, who won the 60-meter silver medal behind American Andre Cason on Friday, cruised into the semifinals of the 200 meters, although his time of 21.35 seconds was only seventh fastest.

Bulgaria's Nikolay Antonov was the only runner to beat 21 seconds, clocking 20.95. Americans Thomas Jefferson and Daron Council also made it to the semifinals. The final is Sunday.

American hurdler Greg Foster was the fastest qualifier in the 60-meter heats as he attempted to erase the memory of performance at the championship in Indianapolis in 1987.

At his only other appearance in the championships, the 32-year-old

hurdler collided with Canadian Mark McCoy in the final and the two crashed to the ground, as American Tonie Campbell raced to victory.

In today's heats, Foster cruised to victory in the second race with a time of 7.52 seconds. McCoy, running in the first heat, was second fastest qualifier for the semifinals later in the day with a time of 7.58. Another American, Jack Pierce, also made it to the semifinals by winning in 7.62.

In the women's 60-meter hurdles, world record holder Ludmila Narozhilenko of the Soviet Union won her heat in 8.00 seconds, but her time was topped by two French runners. Ann Piquereau and Monique Ewanje-Epee both took their heats in 7.98 seconds.

In field events, there was disappointment for American indoor triple jump champion Charles Simpkins, who didn't record a markable jump on three attempts and failed to advance to Sunday's final.

Soviet Igor Lapshin was the leading qualifier with a mark of 55 feet, 2 inches.

On Friday's opening day, sprint stars Ben Johnson of Canada and Ottey both lost in the finals of the 60 meters.

Johnson, returning to competitive action after a two-year suspension for taking steroids, finished fourth as Cason raced to victory.

Cason, who also beat Johnson at Los Angeles in the Canadian's second comeback race, finished in 6.54 seconds after winning his heats and semifinal.

Player of the Week



Darren Rushing

The Pampa High baseball coaching staff has named Darren Rushing as Player of the Week.

Rushing, a senior transfer from Shamrock, pitched a 2-hitter in Pampa's 13-1 win over River Road.

Rushing struck out for and didn't walk a batter in going the distance.

In two games last week, Rushing batted .500 and drove in five runs.

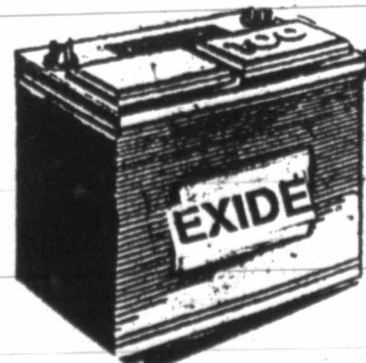
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Parents of victim in murder trial struggle to deal with their grief

By FRANK BAKER
Associated Press Writer

EXETER, N.H. (AP) — William Smart sat in a silent rage as he listened to Patrick Randall describe how he slammed Smart's son against a wall, forced him to his knees and held a butcher knife against his throat so William Flynn could shoot him.

"It was all I could do to stop myself from going across the courtroom, grabbing this boy and beating him," Smart said. "I couldn't stand it."

Just before Randall's chilling account, Smart's wife, Judith, began crying and ran from the courtroom. Smart followed her, and a recess was ordered.

So went the start of testimony in the murder conspiracy trial last week in which the defendant is the Smart's own daughter-in-law.

Prosecutors say Pamela Smart, a 23-year-old schoolteacher, persuaded Flynn, her 16-year-old student and alleged lover, to murder her husband of less than a year. Flynn in turn enlisted the help of his two best friends, Randall, 17, and Vance Lattime, 18.

Gregory Smart, 24, was found dead, a single gunshot wound to his head, on May 1. Prosecutors say Mrs. Smart told the teens to make the murder look like a botched burglary, and encouraged them to take

jewelry and stereo equipment from the condominium.

According to police affidavits, Mrs. Smart wanted out of her marriage but was afraid she would lose everything in a divorce.

William Smart said the trial, and the detailed media coverage of it, are an emotional trauma for his family. He said he and his wife are taking anti-depressant drugs and seeing psychiatrists.

"We're having a terrible time with this, and it's getting worse," he said in a telephone interview. "We've tried. We may look like we're strong but we're getting weaker by the day."

The three teens have admitted to the crime, and agreed to a plea bargain that will have them spend 18 to 28 years in jail, more if they misbehave. Randall and Lattime already have testified against Mrs. Smart, and Flynn is expected to take the stand this week.

The Smarts' emotional torment contrasts with the lack of emotion the two have displayed while talking about the murder.

While on the stand, Randall matter-of-factly described how Gregory Smart begged for his life as Randall forced him to his knees and demanded his wedding ring.

"He told me he wouldn't give it to me because his wife would kill him," Randall said.

Lattime, who drove the getaway

car, testified that as the three left the murder scene, they sang and Flynn laughed.

William Smart says he "can't fathom" the seeming lack of remorse.

"I don't know how anyone can kill someone and get in a car and sing a song," he said.

Ellen Cohn, a University of New Hampshire psychology professor, had two possible explanations for the emotionless testimony. One is that the witnesses are psychopaths. The other is that they've been instructed by prosecutors to speak matter-of-factly to seem more credible to the jury.

Juries normally believe eyewitnesses, but might not in this case, she said.

"There's probably a lot of dislike for them in the jury because they admitted to the crime," she said.

William Smart said he loathes the boys, but believes them.

"These boys are not smart enough to have planned this. They were manipulated," he said.

Smart and his wife attended every pretrial hearing and all of the first week's testimony. He said the emotional strain may force them to stop, but he hopes not.

"I don't want to miss anything," he said. "We're angry and we want the truth."

"May God strike me dead as I speak, we want the truth."

Texas Air Control board assesses major fine against Phillips 66 Co. oil, chemical complex

HOUSTON (AP) — A \$576,000 fine assessed by the Texas Air Control Board against a Phillips 66 Co. oil and chemical complex in Brazoria County is the largest administrative fine levied for environmental violations in the state's history, officials said.

The complex was fined Friday for assorted violations involving tanks that store the cancer-causing chemical benzene at the industrial facility near Old Ocean.

Previously, the largest administrative fine by a state environmental agency was a \$500,000 penalty levied against the city of Houston by the Texas Air Control Board in 1977 for the city's long history of polluting its bayous with raw and under treated sewage.

Agencies impose administrative fines after reaching agreements with violators and without taking them to court.

Bill Zeis, an Air Control Board attorney, said the violations at Phillips related in part to a "long history of maintenance problems" at four benzene storage tanks over a period of several years.

The violations also involved the company's failure to conduct inspections and submit plans and reports required by federal regulations for benzene.

Zeis said the problems at the tanks had led to the uncontrolled emission to the air of 26 tons of benzene vapors per year.

A vapor-recovery system that the company had installed on the tanks did not work properly, and the company has now installed floating roofs on the tanks to control air pollution, Zeis said.

Phillips spokesman Greg Byrd said the company agreed to the fine to "put it behind us and move forward." He said all the violations have been corrected.

"We're redoubling our efforts to make sure the facility is managed in as environmentally safe a manner as possible," Byrd said.

While the penalty approved against Phillips now stands as the biggest administrative environmental fine, the Water Commission is considering a proposed fine of nearly \$2 million against Dal-Tile, a Dallas tile manufacturer.

In the news

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Peter Fonda, who starred in the biker movie "Easy Rider," and ZZ Top singer Billy Gibbons will lead an estimated 5,000 motorcyclists today in what is billed as the largest cycle parade in the world.

An estimated 360,000 tourists are in this Atlantic Coast community to celebrate the 50th Bike Week.

"This is the best behaved crowd I've seen in 25 years with the police department," Police Chief Paul Crow said Friday.

Thousands of spectators are expected for today's parade, which precedes the 50th running of the Daytona 200 at Daytona International Speedway.

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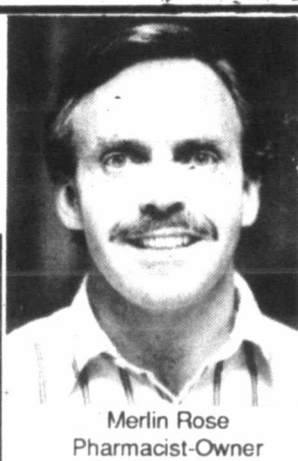
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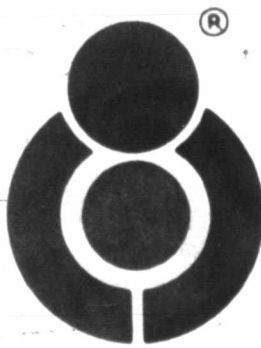
Left, little sister, Rebecca Gaddis, with her own special big sister, Denise Winegeart. They enjoy ice cream, movies, and skating.

The Big Brother/Big Sister family



Left, back, Xuan Le, Kell Hoskins, Greg Brown, Grant Copeland. Front, Cindy McElroy, Sammy McCullar, Jonathan San Miguel.

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Left, back, Gary Maestas, Manuel Jimenez, Jr., Mark McCullar. Middle row, Gene Gates, Kristi Shults, Brent Johnson. Front, Anne Gaddis, Mar Denise Heredia, Shanna Marshall, Jessica Bishop.

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One-to-One

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America



These guys like hangin' out. Little brother, Brent Johnson and his big brother, Gary Maestas, enjoy shooting pool.



Board members of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Pampa are, back row, left, Richard Stowers, Bebo Terry, Bruce Courtney, James Taylor. Front, Peggy David, executive director, Greg Brown, Robin Hale, Barry Hedrick, board president, and Ken Hall. Not pictured are Bonnie Simpson, Dave Phillips, Diane Waters, Sara Carmichael, Ken Cargill, Jana McKinney, and Dauna Wilkinson.

Lifestyles



Left, back, Reba Cline, student intern from West Texas State, and Tom Spencer, board member. Middle row, Denise Winegeart, Rodney Kline, Mariana Felix, Vicki Phillips, Susan Daniels. Front, Michael Hines, James Gaddis, Rebecca Gaddis, Charles Johnson, Carl Hines, Michael Wright. Children who are part of the Big Brother/Big Sister family but not pictured are Marc Maule, Burton Jones, LeVonne Evans, Leshica Evans, Devin Lemons, and Barbara Mendez. Adults volunteers not pictured are Charles Basham, Kevin Beck, Shannan Kuhlman, and Alicia Zamora.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America is a congressionally chartered, national non-profit organization which has over 460 affiliated agencies across the country. For over eighty years, BB/BSA has operated on the premise that one-to-one friendship with an adult can provide the support a child needs to grow and mature in a positive way.

Many children today are growing up in one parent households and lack an extended family unit. BB/BSA helps fulfill the need for stability, companionship and guidance through the crucial childhood years. BB/BSA believes that this adult/child friendship is an effective means of preventing juvenile delinquency and emotional problems as well as preparing children for adulthood.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters became active in the community in Pampa in late 1987. Peggy David heads the agency here as executive director. There are currently fifteen matched pairs of big and little brothers and sisters. Nine more children and five more adults are waiting the perfect match. The agency makes every attempt

to match the children quickly after they are enrolled in the program.

The matching process involves matching one adult to one child who needs stability and companionship. Little Brothers and Little Sisters are school-aged children, most of whom live with a single parent. Economic status does not determine eligibility for the program. A commitment of 2-4 hours per week is made by each volunteer to this relationship, for a minimum of one year. Care is taken to recruit, screen, and match the adult to the proper child so that the relationship works from the start. The adult volunteer is encouraged to incorporate the child into his daily activities while setting a positive example. The match is not intended to be a financial burden for the volunteer or baby sitting time for the parent, but a time of relaxation and communication for the adult volunteer and child. David emphasized that "bigs and littles" don't always go out to eat or to Amarillo, but may enjoy a school program or church activity together. She also said that BB/BSA is not for the delinquent or troubled child, but for the child who does well, but

needs a little extra support in his or her life.

Once the match is made, goals are set and contacts are maintained between the parent, child, volunteer, and caseworker. Emphasis is placed on producing positive inner and outer changes in the child, including a strengthened sense of self-worth, and improved relationships at school, home and community.

Big Brothers/Big Sister of Pampa is a United Way Agency. They also sponsor a yearly golf tournament and a cruise and casino night in order to raise funds for operations.

The cruise and casino night, BB/BS's main fund raiser, is planned for March 15, 7-12 midnight, at M. K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are available at the door.

It is an evening of casino type games using play money. Bingo and computerized horse racing are available. "Winings" from the casino type games may be used to buy extra raffle tickets for prizes. Music and dancing are on tap and attire is cruise casual. Food for the evening is being provided by Dos Caballeros, Dyers, Danny's Market, Furr's Emporium, Homeland,

and Pampa Country Club, Pepsico, and Mr. Gatti's Pizza. Prizes include a three day Caribbean cruise, airline tickets for two to Las Vegas provided courtesy American Airlines, a weekend for two at the Harvey Hotel, Amarillo, weekend for two at the Inn at Loretto in Santa Fe, and tickets for two to Sea World. Gift certificates were donated by the following: The Medicine Shoppe, Keyes Pharmacy, Hobby Shoppe, Easley Animal Hospital, Trolinger 66, John W. Sparkman, D.D.S., Vogue Cleaners, The Hair Shop, Northcrest Pharmacy, King's Row, Bob Clements, Inc., Roberta's Flowers, Dos Caballeros, Steve and Star's, Jay Johnson, D.D.S., Mickey Piersall, Nu-Way Cleaning, and The Plaza Restaurant of Borger. From Amarillo are Golden Corral, Iron Horse Cafe, San Antonio Restaurant, Black Eyed Pea, and Gardski's.

For information on obtaining tickets to the casino and cruise night or how you can become an adult volunteer contact Peggy David at 665-1211. Any child who lives in a single parent home may be referred to the agency by a parent or teacher.



Mr. and Mrs. John Walter Davis

Gooch-Davis

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gooch announce the marriage of his daughter, Kimberly Kay, to John Walter Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Davis, all of Pampa.

The wedding was an event of Feb. 16, at Calvary Baptist Church, with Rev. Lyndon Glaseman officiating.

Becky Fewell, sister of the bride, Whitewright, was matron of honor. Jimmy Hammer, Canadian, stood as best man.

Acting as ushers were Jimmy Davis, Joe Davis, Bart Gooch, and Randy Holmes, all of Pampa.

Guests were registered by Jackie Gooch and music was provided by Brandi Harkness, both of Pampa.

A reception was held at the church with Susan Richardson, Paula Brock, Brenda Holmes, and Gina Coleman, Pampa, serving guests. Also assisting with the reception were Betty Miser, Penny Glaseman, Wynona Seely, and Jeanie Davis.

The bride is a 1983 graduate of West Texas State University. She is employed by Gray County as Community Supervision and Corrections Officer.

The groom is a 1979 graduate of Pampa High School. He is employed by Dunlap Industrial Engine and Compressor Service.

After a wedding trip to Amarillo, the couple is at home in Pampa.

Leader training available from Extension Service

Convenience meat products offer consumers a wide variety of choices ranging from time-honored corned beef hash to gourmet entrees and complete dinners. The Gray County Extension Service will offer a leader training on "Lean Meat: The Convenience Bill of Fare" on Tuesday, Mar. 12, at 1:00 p.m. in the Gray County Annex. Donna Brauchi, County Extension Agent, will conduct the training.

The leader training will focus on: (1) Alternatives of processed and prepared meat choices in the market place and away-from-home eating places; (2) Using product information to make informed choices relative to quality, nutritive value, cost, preparation time, and lifestyle situations; (3) Safety and handling of convenience meat products.

Any interested person is invited to attend the leader training. The training is especially designed to provide a program and plan to be used by organization program leaders. Participants are encouraged to share the information with others.

PIP information, volunteer orientation set for March 11

Partners in Parenting (PIP), a program to match a parent volunteer with a new parent or other parent in need of developing or enhancing parenting skills, will have an information session and volunteer orientation on Monday, Mar. 11, at 7:00 p.m. in Lovett Library meeting room.

Purpose and objectives of the program as well as responsibilities of volunteers, parent and volunteer resources, and program procedures will be explained. The project design matches a trained volunteer with a parent in need. Volunteers work one-on-one with the parent to share, support, and to help the parent develop new skills.

Persons interested in learning more about PIP program or in becoming a PIP volunteer are invited to attend. The program is provided free of charge by the Gray County Extension Home Economics Program Advisory Committee. For more information, call 669-8033.

4-H clothing project kick-off

The Gray County 4-H Clothing project will kick-off with a Fashion Fun Workshop on Friday Mar. 15, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church Educational Building. Any boy or girl ages 8 through 11 is invited to participate.

The workshop will include sessions on grooming, modeling, consumer buying, make it and take it, and recreation. Gray County 4-H teen and adult leaders will conduct workshop sessions.

The evening's activity will include a light supper. Cost for the workshop is \$3.00 per person. Young people planning to attend should contact the Gray County Extension Office at 669-8033 by Thursday, Mar. 14.

Girl Scout cookie orders

Girl Scouts in the ten-county jurisdiction of Quivira Girl Council conduct their annual cookie drive from Jan. 18 through Feb. 4. Orders were taken by telephone and personal Girl Scout visits. The orders will be delivered after March 4.

Area cookie chairman ordered extra supplies for booth sales and for people who did not have an opportunity to order during the drive. Area residents who wish to purchase cookies may do so by phoning the council office in Pampa at 669-6862.

The cookie campaign helps to finance service to the girls, plus the activities of individual troops.

Participating Girl Scouts learn skills in marketing and goal setting. They also learn about handling money and coordinating troop activity plans with troop profits.



Mrs. Tony Wislen
Ketra Bigham

Bigham-Wislen

Ketra Bigham became the bride of Tony Wislen on February 16, at the Pleasant Hills United Methodist Church of Jackson, Ga. Jim Farbolin, Church of Scientology, Atlanta, Ga., performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bigham, Pampa. The groom is the son of Mrs. Geneva Stone, Milner, Ga.

Angie McCoy, Pampa, served as matron of honor. Sheila Mason, Griffin, Ga., was the flower girl.

Robert Gipson, Amarillo, stood as best man. Zack McCoy, Pampa, served as ring bearer. Ian McCormick, Riverside, Calif., and Bruce Buonauro, Temple City, Calif., were ushers.

The reception was held at the High Falls Community Center. Serving guests were Linda Gipson, Amarillo, and Carol Mason, Griffin, Ga. Guests were registered by Carol Mason, Griffin, Ga.

The bride is a 1986 graduate of Pampa High School. She is currently employed by GTE, Atlanta, Ga.

The groom is a 1983 graduate of River Road High School, Amarillo and is employed by Price-Pfister.

After a honeymoon trip to Savannah, Ga., the couple will make their home in Fairburn, Ga.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Families of fallen soldiers can ask for exemption

DEAR ABBY: Someone told me he had recently read in your column that if a man or woman has lost a family member in the war, that person is automatically exempt from active duty if a war should break out. Please clarify this in your column. I need this information immediately in writing.

BALTIMORE MOM

DEAR BALTIMORE MOM: I published the information in November 1990. But for anyone who might have missed it who now needs it:

According to the Public Affairs Office of the Department of the Army, if a member of the armed services has lost an immediate family member (father, mother, brother, sister or child) in a designated hostile-fire or imminent-danger area (the loss may be due to death, missing in action, or from a 100 percent physical or mental disability), the service member can apply for exemption. It is not "automatic."

The service member initiates action by contacting his/her company commander. For an immediate family member to make application, a request must be made in writing to: HQDA, DAPC-EPO-C, Alexandria, Va. 22331-0400. And the service

member may waive a request initiated by an immediate family member and still serve in the hostile-fire area.

DEAR ABBY: "Seattle's" letter hit the nail on the head. A widow is treated much better than a divorcee. She gets to keep the friends and relatives from both sides. She gets nothing but sympathy. A divorcee gets bad-mouthed and all her so-called friends drop her. One explained she thought it was "catching."

How I wish I had been a widow. Life insurance is preferable to alimony and child support — which is not always collected anyway. And what about child custody battles? A dead man leaves his children with their mother, and his widow is rid of him for life.

I was lucky. I remarried a wonderful man soon after my divorce. I am not bitter, but I will never forget the shabby treatment I received following my divorce.

LONG ISLAND

NOT VERY CONFIDENTIAL: From The Wall Street Journal: The "daffynition" of biodegradable is "safe sacks."



Tina Green and Makell Flowers

Green-Flowers

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Harden announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tina Green, to Makell Flowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Flowers of Perryton. The wedding will be an event of April 6 at Briarwood Full Gospel Church.

The bride is a 1981 graduate of Pampa High School. She is employed by Zales's Jewelers.

The prospective groom is a 1982 graduate of Perryton High School. He is employed by Primerica Financial Services as a regional manager.

The couple attends Briarwood Full Gospel Church.



Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rex

Reames-Rex

Miss Tina Reames became the bride of Jimmy Rex, both of Pampa, on March 1, at the Fellowship Baptist Church. The ceremony was performed by Earl Maddux, pastor.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Reames, Pampa, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Rex, Pampa.

Serving as maid of honor was Karen Reynolds, Pampa. Flower girl was Amanda Sigala, Pampa.

Standing as best man was Dan Martindale. Ushers were Shawn Reames, Pampa, and Jerry Rex, Spearman. Ring bearer was David Sigala, Pampa.

Guests were registered by Tina Been, Pampa. Vocalist for the occasion was Joyce Field, and music was provided by Amy Pamel, both of Pampa.

A reception was held at the church with Carolyn Chaney, Bobbi Brumfield, Molley Martindale, Tammie Knight, Tina Been, Debbie Sigala, and Pat Bolton, all of Pampa, serving guests.

The bride is a graduate of Pampa High School and is employed by Pampa Motor Company. The groom is a graduate of Canadian High School and is employed by the Pampa Motor Company.

After a honeymoon trip to Dallas, the couple is making their home in Pampa.

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VFW activities, family visits, visitors, and plays

February ended with a bang that spilled over to a windy beginning of March. Let's see what happened in the last days of February.

Members of Post 1657 of the VFW are gearing up for a rare visit from the district and national commanders. John Triplehorn, local quartermaster, and Archie Maness, post commander, are in charge of arrangements for a luncheon that will include local dignitaries as special guests. Did you know (1) the local post has over 200 members and (2) is considered the no. 1 post in its division on the state level? Archie recently received a citation plaque from the state level for outstanding achievement? Glen Fisher, district commander, spent 4 days in Washington last week on a VFW trip that he won. Congratulations to both Archie and Glen!

After Glen went east, his wife headed west to San Diego to see their son graduate from Navy Boot Camp with honors.

Jerry and Nancy Whitten lost no time in using their retirement gift of an all expenses paid trip to Las Vegas for a few days. Can you picture St. Matthews Episcopal Church without Jerry as choirmaster/organist? Heard that Jennifer Scoggin fill in for him last Sunday.

Diane and Ernest Baggerman and four children and Norma and Frank Slagle formed a two-car caravan to Austin last weekend. There were two big reasons for the trip: attending a birthday party for Norma's grandchild Jill's third birthday and seeing her three-month old sister Lauren for the first time. The two little ones are children of Roger and Robin Baggerman. To complete the family picture, Norma's two daughters Madina and Peggy came from nearby Erwin.

Shirley Clark, a top quality crafts person, designed and made some patriotic windsocks, always for others, never on for herself. She



Peeking at Pampa By Katie

assembled streamers of red and white and appliqued stars on a blue field Jay Gist displays one of the works of art on his porch.

JoAnn Miller and Robert Murray are living proof that church is a good place for singles to meet future mates. They met as members of Central Baptist church and were married last weekend in the church parlor. JoAnn's twin daughters Diane Baggerman and Delynn Garrett served as matrons of honor and Dana Miller of Miami gave his mom away. Tom Murray of New York State served as his dad's best man. Another son, Robert came from California a week earlier to meet the new family-to-be. Their honeymoon destination was Las Vegas. Wedding congratulations!

Tracy Cary attended a sacred music workshop in Ft. Worth recently. Two of the clinicians were John Rutter, considered England's foremost classical composer, and Sir David Wilcox, who directed the choir for Prince Charles and Lady Di's wedding. Tracy, known as a wizard in improvisations, had three private impromptu sessions on improvisations and composition with Mr. Rutter. At the same workshop was Ricky Land, a native Pampa, who is now organist of the First Baptist Church in Dallas, the largest Baptist church in the world.

The Knights of Columbus 39th annual Polish sausage dinner last Sunday proved to another success story with Hub Honer, chairman, and Dan McGrath as co-chairman.

Milton Brown serves as Grand Knight. Ebbie Ebenkamp (he and Mary have been to visit children recently) was in charge of the kitchen and cole slaw while Chuck Albus ruled over the potato salad. Prisco Mathew was said to have helped in a thousand ways.

Let me tell you about Prisco, a native of the Philippines, a retired psychologist and gourmet-chef who attended the Cordon Bleu School in Paris. He and his wife, both retired now, met in Wellington, where she was director of nurses at the hospital. Prisco, a bachelor, was there to visit a friend. They moved to Pampa four years ago to be near her brothers and sister, Walden and Dale Haynes, Wauline Reynolds and Glorice Jones. Recently he made four kinds of bread to accompany the Wednesday night Lenten soup supper for 60 people at St. Vincent's Catholic Church. On other occasions he cooked vegetables, a fabulous flan, a fancy birthday cake for Chuck Albus, ensamada (or something like that word!) for daily communicants at the church. Prisco is secretary of the Noon Kiwanis Club.

Jo Ann's youngest son Craig Ingram, an 11-year Marine, returned recently from the Persian Gulf after being in one of the first groups to go last August. Jo Ann had served several years as an Air Force nurse. An interesting couple, huh?

A warm Pampa "Welcome!!" to Bob Honer, the new director of nurses at Coronado Hospital. His wife,

Jan, will join him when school is out. She remained in Wyoming so that their child could graduate from high school there in May. The head nurses had a get-acquainted luncheon to welcome Bob.

Congratulations to Sumi Hayes, who was chosen housekeeper of the month by her fellow employees!

Jane Phillips, wife of the fire chief Claudie, invited eight members of her bridge club of Lubbock to Pampa for a visit. The five who accepted are Dee Smith, Marie Hill, Penny Pickett, Dot Montgomery, Earlene Hendrickson. Besides catching up on their visiting, the gals spent several hours shopping Pampa and had dinner out. Last week Kay Howard came from Lubbock. You guessed it! She and Jane shopped Pampa one whole day!

Members of ACT I have already begun rehearsal for a late April play of "Boeing, Boeing" a show of the late 60's with Sandy Crosswhite as director. Dan Treadwell, the Navy recruiter/bachelor, is caught up in a quadrangle with three stewardesses, French, German, and English, played by Beth Cameron and Darlene Hodges, both Celanese engineers, and Christy McCollum. Bill Hildebrandt is a visitor/friend and Kayla Pursley is Bertha, the maid. Sounds like a must see production.

An excited crowd, estimated at 1500, of Pampa basketball fans, all filled with school spirit and loads of excitement, amde the trek to Portales to see the Harvesters win another victory. Many were not high school moms and dads, just loyal fans! Hmmm....Wonder how many went to Austin?

Joel and Pam Walton were two of the sponsors who ventured to Santa Fe for a weekend of skiing with the youth group of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. Their names were incorrectly reported last week.

See you next week. Katie.



St. Vincent's School moms, Teresa Martin, Lisa Baker, and Melanie Persyn, with children, Shantyl Baker, Brian Moya, Andrew Persyn, and Kasey Martin, get ready to scrub potatoes for the annual Spring Fling, set for March 16.

Spring Fling set for March 16

The St. Vincent's Home and School Association is sponsoring its Annual Spring Fling, March 16, from 5:30 to 10 p.m. in the school gym.

Activities include bingo, children's bingo, and a raffle for prizes. Raffle prizes are: first place, \$400 Homeland gift certificate; second prize, portable telephone; and third prize, Nintendo Game Boy.

A baked potato supper will be held in the cafeteria from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The toppings will include chili, broccoli, butter, sour cream, bacon bits and cheese. Cherry cobbler baked by Fern Poer of Shamrock, will also be served for dessert.

A "largest potato" contest will be held prior to the Spring Fling at the school. Children are encouraged to find the largest potato and enter it in the contest.

For more information call 665-5665 or 665-8933.

Proceeds from this event will be used for the school activities and programs.

Honor Roll

The Lefors Elementary School announces the honor roll for the last six weeks.

The A honor roll: First grade: Megan Ward. Second grade: Caleb Barnes, Chase Pharris, Bradley Sawyer. Fourth grade: Sheila Berry. Fifth grade: Jason Butler, Angie Davenport, Katisha Jackson. Sixth grade: Zeb Akins, Kisha Crain, Tenille Franks, Jennifer Lock, Jennifer Williams.

A-B honor roll: First grade: Tommie Davenport, Jonie Greenwell, Kimberlie Peevey, Heath Story, Ray Turpen, Kristen Wendt, Amanda Woodward. Second grade: Dustin Danford, Randi Day, J. W. Mains. Third grade: Candid Ray, Melody Seely. Fourth grade: Dana Crutcher, Kody Franks, Paul Hinson, Angela Huckins, Jared Story. Fifth grade:

Nikki Bockmon, Christy Clancy, TeJay Steele, Brett Ward. Sixth grade: Kevin Danford, Neicy Davis, Amber Gilbreath, Justin Howard, Mandy Mata, Canadace McClure, Archie Summer, Jr.

Lefors Junior High and High School A honor roll students are: Seventh grade: Bryan Bockmon, Bobbie Taylor. Eighth grade: Shawna Lock.

On the A-B honor roll are: Seventh grade: Shelly Davenport, Jerimie Howard. Eighth grade: Belinda Brookshire, Jason Winegeart. Ninth grade: Ginger Hannon. Tenth grade: Stephanie Lock, Brandi Steele, Andy Swires, Missy Warner. Eleventh grade: Starla Gilbreath, Patricia Lawrence, Kathy Nolte, Chad Quarles. Twelfth grade: Danna Davis, Jennifer Moore.

Proper landscaping helps to conserve water

By JAMES E. WALTERS

PHOENIX (AP) — Landscaping with arid-adapted plants probably is the least painful way to conserve water in the water-short Southwest.

The city of Phoenix's new drought-management plan, for example, begins with a rhetorical question: "Must the roses die?"

While there is no doubt the national flower needs a lot of water, the question seems designed for its shock impact, since the plan suggests conservation elsewhere may forestall cutting off supplies to flowers in worst-case scenarios. It poses an interesting challenge to gardeners, however.

Is this the time to retool the entire landscape to water-saving plants to ensure having greenery and color around the home?

Future generations are likely to wonder why water-guzzlers ever were seen as desirable in the Southwest, where the limited water supply obviously needs protection from the excess use of recent decades, drought conditions often are present and water costs are soaring.

Unfortunately, early efforts at arid landscaping usually focused on cactus, agave, yucca and similar plants surrounded by gravel. A little of that, baking under a full sun in triple-digit temperatures, was too much for most people. It also obviously boosted air conditioning costs.

A decade or so ago, regional landscaping began catching on. It emphasized the shade, color and beauty possible from native plants. Most were dismissed as "weeds" when water was not a concern. But they had served the Southwest well before the post-World War II population explosion brought newcomers who soon became nostalgic for familiar plants of more temperate climates.

"Certainly, the public perception of native plants as weeds is diminishing, thanks in large part to their use in public plantings such as street medians and along right-of-ways," says Jimmy L. Tipton, the arid-ornamentals specialist at the University of Arizona.

Travelers on the newly opened stretch of Interstate 10 from Phoenix toward California often

comment on the beauty of such landscaping. Another stretch near Tucson is equally appealing.

For homeowners, the concept appears under various names, including Xeriscape, NatureScape and NaturalScape. The basic idea is the same: use arid-adapted plants to trim water use and maintenance time and costs.

This is where some understanding of arid-adapted plants is needed.

They adapted over the years to survive drought. Cactus, yucca, agave and similar plants usually have a slow growth rate because they conserve water in good or bad times.

Many native trees and shrubs, however, have extensive root systems that find and use water. Their water-saving characteristics apply only when it is not available. They use it and grow quickly when it is.

In general, a newly installed, arid-adapted plant will need supplemental watering once or twice a week in the warmest months and every other week in cooler months for the first year or two.

If it is making satisfactory

growth and seems healthy, stop watering and observe closely. If it seems to start suffering, apply water and see if this helps. If it does, wait a few weeks to see if more watering is needed. Wilting or off-color foliage usually is a good clue of water stress during this establishment period.

A good rule to remember: Arid-adapted plants, once established, probably will not die from lack of supplemental irrigation.

Once an arid-adapted tree or shrub is established, can the water be turned off? If it has reached the desired size and there has been some rainfall, give it a try. But observe carefully. Widely spaced, deep irrigations may be needed during dry periods.

Mesquite (Prosopis species) is a good example of this. The tree, one of the desert's most common and beautiful, grows faster and larger the more water it receives.

Home irrigation schedules must take this into account for maximum return on the water — saving potential. But appearance may suffer if it receives too little water during the growing season.

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March 11-15

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Lima beans/ham, spinach, carrots, cake.

Tuesday
Impossible pie, okra/tomatoes, corn, pineapple.

Wednesday
Oven-fry chicken, green beans, spiral macaroni salad, jello.

Thursday
Bar-B-Q beef, potato salad, cole slaw, apricots.

Friday
Chicken patties, macaroni/cheese, yams, applesauce.

Pampa Senior Citizens
Monday

Chicken fried steak or Barbeque beef; mashed potatoes; spinach; Harvard beets; pinto beans; slaw, toss or jello salad; German chocolate cake or lemon pie; cornbread or hot rolls.

Tuesday
Meat loaf or tacos, cheese grits, fried okra, peas and carrots, slaw, toss or jello salad, cherry cobbler or banana pudding, cornbread or hot rolls.

Wednesday
Roast beef brisket with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, turnip greens, buttered carrots, slaw, toss or jello salad; lemon cheese cake or blueberry pie; cornbread or hot rolls.

Thursday
Fried chicken or Polish sausage with kraut, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn casserole, slaw, toss or jello salad, cherry delight cake or chocolate pie, cornbread or hot rolls.

Friday
Fried cod fish or hamburger steak with onions; French fries, broccoli casserole, spinach; slaw, toss or jello salad; brownies or bread pudding with lemon sauce; garlic bread; cornbread or hot rolls.

Lefors School
Monday
Breakfast: Sausage, biscuits, gravy, juice, milk.

Lunch: Beef ravioli, salad, peaches and cottage cheese, rolls, milk.

Tuesday
Breakfast: French toast sticks, juice, milk.

Lunch: Pork chops, potatoes, gravy, black eyed peas, cobbler, milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast: Grill cheese, juice, milk.

Lunch: Beef and cheese nachos, salad, beans, fruit, milk.

Thursday
Breakfast: Pancakes, juice, milk.

Lunch: Salisbury steak, potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, pudding, milk.

Friday
No school on March 15.

Pampa Schools
Monday

Breakfast: Cereal; buttered toast; fruit or juice; milk.
Lunch: Pig in a blanket, macaroni and cheese, green beans, pear halves, choice of milk.

Tuesday
Breakfast: Pancakes, butter and syrup; fruit or juice; choice of milk.

Lunch: Sliced turkey, whipped potatoes, brown gravy, buttered corn, hot roll, choice of milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, biscuits; fruit or juice; milk.

Lunch: Beef burrito, pinto beans, mixed fruit, cornbread, choice of milk.

Thursday
Breakfast: Hot biscuits, sausage; fruit or juice; milk.

Lunch: Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, peppered gravy, black-eye peas, whole wheat rolls, choice of milk.

Friday
Breakfast: Oatmeal, buttered toast; fruit or juice, choice of milk.

Lunch: Hamburger on a bun, burger salad, pickle chips, French fries, gelatin with fruit, choice of milk.



(Staff photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

Kyle Gamblin with the trophy he won at the 1991 Hoop Shoot contest in Dallas on March 1.

Gamblin wins state Hoop Shoot contest

Kyle Gamblin has won the 1991 Texas Elks State Association Hoop Shoot Free Throw contest in the 8-9 year old boy category at Grapevine, on March 2. The winning score was 21 free throws out of 25.

Gamblin will compete in the four-state regional contest to be held in Oklahoma City, Okla., April 12-14. National finals will be held in Springfield, Mass. in conjunction with the Basketball Hall of Fame's 100th Anniversary.

Local Elks Lodge sponsorship was provided by Borger #1581. Gamblin, son of Kris and Terry Gamblin, is a fourth grader at William B. Travis Elementary.

The contest involved over 200,000 children between the ages of eight and thirteen in the state of Texas, and over 3.5 million children nationwide, according to Royce Butler, T.E.S.A. Hoop Shoot Director.

Foster parent training night

The Texas Department of Human Services will begin foster/adoptive parent training at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 26, at the Texas Department of Human Services building, 6200 I-40 West, Amarillo.

The foster/adoptive parent training is co-led by Dee Ann Osteen, a licensed foster parent; Ira Purdy, a Texas Department of Human Services foster home developer; and Kirk Merker, a Texas Department of Human Services adoption specialist.

For additional information on how to become a foster or adoptive parent, contact the Texas Department of Human Services at 806-358-6211 or call toll free 1-800-233-3405.

Honor Roll

Lamar Elementary School announces the honor roll for the last six weeks:

Self-contained: Honor roll: Dotdee Neil. Super citizens: Faye Bennett, Jessica Bishop, Juan Estrada, Russell Strnad, Patrick Williamson.

Kindergarten: Super citizen: Tiffany Marchman.

Transitional first: Super citizen: Brandy Nichols.

First grade: Honor roll: Sixto Albear, Tiffany Best, Schuyler Davis, Angelica Dominguez, Mikel Hartley, Marquita Nickelberry, Emanuel Price, Kristopher Reed, Maria Silva, Scooter Sweeney, Angela Wood. Super citizens: Tiffany Best, Kirby Brown, Angelica Dominguez, Jonathan Lambright, Trent Morning, Angela Phillips,

Maria Silva.

Second grade: Honor roll: Shanna Buck, Cassie Hamilton, Lacy Jones, Venancio Silva, Amanda Starnes, Davis Sanchez. Super citizens: Misty Cole, Ryan Ferrell, Kristi Norwood, Teddy Tollison.

Third grade: Honor roll: Jeremy Buck, Michael Hinda, Shannon Oxley. Super citizen: Robyn Addington.

Fourth grade: Honor roll: Stacey Brown, Beth Stevenson. Super citizens: Cynthia Davis, David Davis, Monica Dominguez, Angela Medina.

Fifth grade: Honor roll: Grace Albear, Yvette Brown, Rachel Felix, Melony Hanks, Lucinda Silva, Candi Terry, Gabe Wilbon, Queta Vasquez. Super citizen: Veronica Unruh.

Girl scout cookies available

Girl Scouts in the ten-county jurisdiction of Quivira Girl Council conduct their annual cookie drive from Jan. 18 through Feb. 4. Orders were taken by telephone and personal Girl Scout visits. The orders will be delivered after March 4.

Area cookie chairman ordered extra supplies for booth sales and for people who did not have an opportunity to order during the drive. Area residents who wish to purchase cookies may do so by phoning the council office in Pampa at 669-6862.

The cookie campaign helps to finance service to the girls, plus the activities of individual troops.

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Entertainment

ABC revives 'Twin Peaks' March 28

By SCOTT WILLIAMS
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — "Twin Peaks," the moody, obscure nighttime soap opera about the eccentric inhabitants of a Pacific Northwest lumber town, is returning to ABC's prime time lineup, network officials said Thursday.

"Twin Peaks" returns Thursday, March 28, at 9 p.m. EST with six original episodes to air in that time slot, said Robert Iger, president of ABC Entertainment.

"We've returned it to the time period where it performed very well against strong competition last spring, and we're hopeful that this move will revitalize interest in the program," Iger said.

"Twin Peaks" replaced "Gabriel's Fire," a drama starring James Earl Jones, which will be in hiatus following Thursday's broadcast. "Gabriel's Fire" will return in

Television

April at a different time period, Iger said.

"Twin Peaks" had been languishing in a Saturday night time slot until it was placed on hiatus last month. At the beginning of its March 28 broadcast, Iger said, what has happened so far in the season will be recapitulated.

That's a tall order, considering how even fans of the quirky series sometimes have trouble following its events.

Let's take, for example, the mysterious death of Josie Packard (Joan Chen). She died in bed while aiming a pistol at her lover, Sheriff Harry S. Truman (Michael Ontkean) and mystical, pie-gobbling FBI Agent Dale Cooper (Kyle MacLachlan).

Was she angry? Who knows. She

feared that he would learn all her unsavory secrets. What happened to her after she died? Glad you asked. Her image took up residence inside a dresser drawer knob at the Great Northern Hotel.

Let's not even discuss who killed Laura Palmer. Everybody knows it was her father, Leland, while under the influence of the demonic BOB.

BOB, you may be interested to learn, appeared on the bed shortly after Josie died. So did that really, REALLY strange dwarf who appears in Cooper's dreams.

The series was conceived by director David Lynch, the high priest of cinematic anxiety ("Eraserhead," "The Elephant Man," "Dune," "Blue Velvet" and "Wild at Heart") and Mark Frost, a TV producer from "Hill Street Blues."

"Twin Peaks," a midseason replacement, was the year's most written-about show even before its April 8, 1990, debut won a 33 per-

cent share of the TV audience. It quickly became the most talked-about show on television.

But it was everything except a hit. Nominated for 14 Emmy Awards, the most of any drama, it won only two technical prizes.

Its audience share of 33 percent eroded when it went up against NBC's blockbuster "Cheers." It finished the season with a respectable if unspectacular tie for 40th place.

ABC's decision to return "Twin Peaks" to the Thursday night slot against "Cheers" was bad news to one ratings analyst.

"They're determined to kill the show," said David Marans, a senior researcher for the J. Walter Thompson advertising agency. "While pulling it out of that nowhere slot on Saturday, the lead-in of 'The Father Dowling Mysteries' is almost as incompatible a program as they have."

Whitfield as Baker



(AP Laserphoto)

Actress Lynn Whitfield, pictured, has the title role in HBO's upcoming "The Josephine Baker Story," the story of the American black entertainer who was an outcast in her own country and became the toast of Paris between the World Wars. Whitfield said she learned much about the woman that author Ernest Hemingway described as the "most sensational woman of all time."

Robert Parker looks through Marlowe's eyes

By MARIO SZICHMAN
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — After reading Raymond Chandler's "The Big Sleep," it's easy to understand the difficult task Robert Parker had in writing its sequel, "Perchance to Dream" (Putnam).

The sequel's introduction, which is a condensation of the last chapter of "The Big Sleep," makes it obvious that although the original has great moments — Gen. Sternwood says that orchids "are nasty things. Their flesh is too much like the flesh of men. And their perfume has the rotten sweetness of a prostitute" — it is not Chandler at his best.

How could Parker have managed to continue Chandler's story without falling into the trap of involuntarily writing a parody of it?

"Certainly, it was the hazard I was most fearful of," said Parker, creator of the Spenser private eye novels. "There were two things I did not want to do. I did not want to write a parody and I did not want to write a Spenser novel and change the name to Marlowe. So, I made a conscious effort not to imitate Chandler's style, but to merely write a

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novel about Philip Marlowe, imagine the world as he saw it and report on what he saw in his own language."

"Perchance to Dream" begins with Marlowe being summoned back to the Sternwood house to try to locate Carmen, the mad baby sister of Vivian Sternwood, the woman with whom he has been romantically involved.

The setting is the same, the people who inhabit the place seem to be the same. But "The Big Sleep" was written in 1939 and Parker's sequel in 1990 and, in the meantime, Marlowe has become an icon in America's cultural landscape. Complicating matters are the film versions, with Lauren Bacall and Humphrey Bogart, and Sarah Miles and Robert Mitchum, giving indelible features to Vivian Sternwood and Philip Marlowe.

How did Parker cope with such a problem?

"First, I ignored the movies," he says. "Besides, I decided to write a sequel to the novel, not to the

movies."

Parker says that to avoid the danger of a dated novel, he "tried to leave it largely in time neutral. There are not many references to when it took place. When Chandler wrote, he was not trying to create novels set 30 years in his past. So, I was trying not to do that, and, on the other hand, I did not want to update him to the world of color television and jet planes and Madonna."

"My purpose, then, was trying to write a novel that was sort of timeless, which was also the way Chandler worked. Chandler wrote right through the Second World War with barely a mention of it. And then only very allusively. Of course, there was a soldier guarding a dam, or somebody had a gasoline ration book, but the reader would not know there was a war going on in Chandler's novels."

Parker knows very well the world of Chandler. He devoted part of his doctoral dissertation to the work of the novelist. He is very fond of "The Little Sister" and "The Long Goodbye," which, for him, represent "the hardest and in many ways the richest Chandler," and has worked twice as Chandler's ghost-

writer. Before "Perchance to Dream," he wrote "Poodle Springs," which was not only a tribute to Chandler, but also a creative work of his own.

"Chandler wrote only 13 pages of 'Poodle Springs' in the copy I got," Parker says. "I had to make much of it up, but much was established. Marlowe was married, and he was living in the desert. But the married Marlowe was, of course, the real milestone in a way."

"It was sort of the way tennis players think of the net. I mean, the net is in the way, but if you don't have it, the game is not a game at all. It was handy to have something to work against it. I wouldn't have chosen to have Marlowe married. And that was the handicap I had to deal with. But finally, I think the novel was true to Chandler's spirit without being something which can make me feel uncomfortable."

Parker says that although he admires Chandler's work, "I can't keep doing it — it's too hard. I don't want to write somebody else's characters all my life. I prefer to go back to writing Spenser novels. He is much closer to me."

Musicians must face effects of grief, too

NEW YORK (AP) — Sting may seem to fans a golden rock star, above the ordinary scrapings of life. But he can't outrun grief.

He had to stop, suffer and reach a catharsis, like a mere mortal. And because he's an artist, he wrote songs about his pain for his new album.

In 1987, his parents died a few months apart. Sting, oldest of their four children, had been close to his mother, who was 18 when he was born. He intended to get to know his father better, but his father's death made that impossible.

Sting's solo album, "... Nothing Like the Sun," came out in 1987 and he pitched into nonstop work. He toured. He did the Amnesty International tour in 1988, then went around the world seeking support to save the rainforests in Brazil. He played Mack the Knife in "3 Penny Opera" on Broadway in 1989.

He wrote music during that time but couldn't make himself write

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lyrics. When he finally did, he wrote them almost in the order in which the songs appear on his new A&M Records album, "The Soul Cages."

Sting, who's considered one of the "thinking" rockers, surprises by saying in an interview, "They were written in automatic fashion. I didn't really do much thinking about them, although I spent a lot of time worrying about how I would write anything before I started."

"I had writers' block for about three years. It's scary when you make your living out of writing, you know. Once the images did start to flow, they came out very quickly."

He started the flow, he said, "by trying to remember the first image that I could. That was of the house I was born and brought up in, next to a shipyard in my hometown of Newcastle (England). They used to

build enormous ships there. They would dwarf the house, shadow the house."

"Behind that was the river and the sea. They and this enormous ship became an enduring symbol of the world outside and escape."

The first song, "Island of Souls," begins "Billy was born within sight of the shipyard." The refrain says, "It (a ship) would carry his father and he to a place they could never be found. ... They would sail to the island of souls."

The instrumental "St. Agnes and the Burning Tree" is a way of "giving people a bit of a rest from all this heavy imagery," said Sting, who writes a lot of instrumentals but doesn't usually include them on his albums.

He said he felt better after he wrote the album. "I always think of my music as being personal therapy. I write about my deepest thoughts. It is my deepest form of meditation and contemplation."

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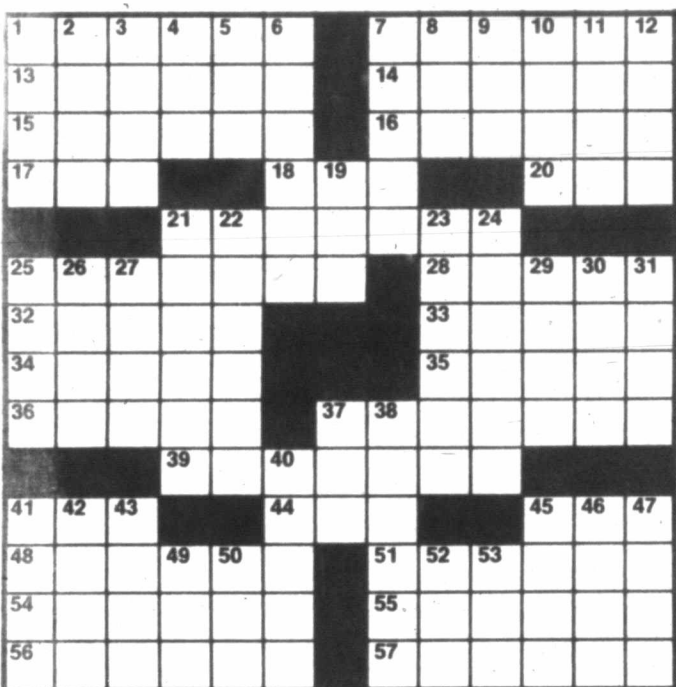
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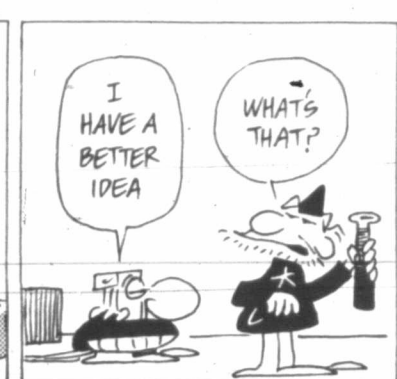
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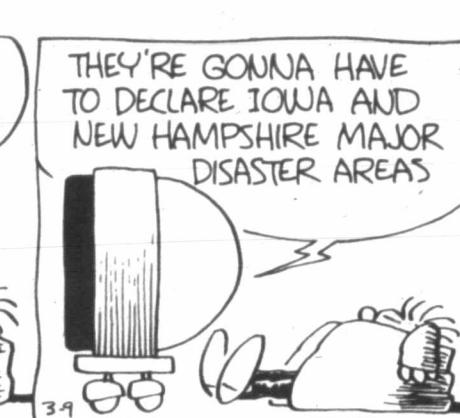
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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Others will be observing you very closely today to see how fair you can be in a partnership arrangement. Fortunately, your actions should earn their respect.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's not so important today, in the early stages, to focus on who has what to say about the endeavor in which you're involved. It's the final word that counts, and that should be yours.

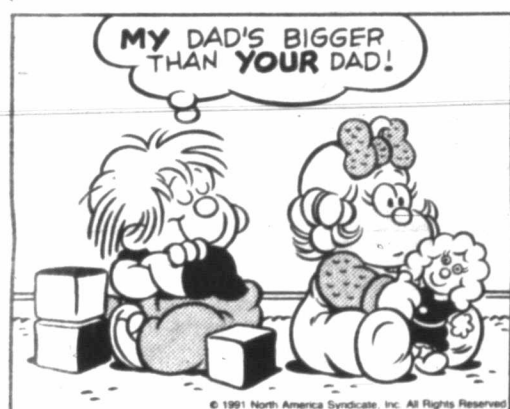
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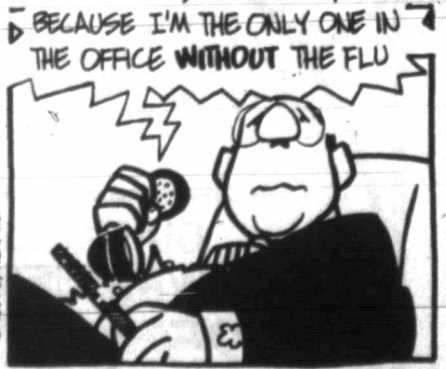
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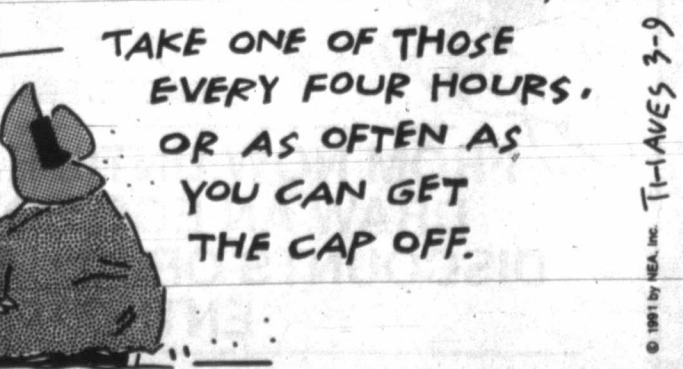
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'Battered woman syndrome' defense causes legal dilemma

EDITOR'S NOTE — With the governors of two states granting clemency to dozens of women convicted of killing their mates, attention has been focused on the "battered woman syndrome" as a plea of self-defense. And that raises some thorny legal questions. Is a woman really acting in self-defense if, say, she kills her husband while he is asleep?

By KAY BARTLETT
AP Newsfeatures Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Richard Celeste, Ohio's outgoing governor, may have sparked a bigger chain reaction than any one foresaw when he granted clemency to 26 battered women serving time for killing their boyfriends or husbands.

He reviewed the cases of more than 100 women last December and decided these 26 had acted in self-defense.

Women's advocacy groups hailed his action as courageous and said it should set a precedent for all governors. Prosecutors protested that Celeste may have just as well posted a sign announcing, "Open season on men."

Sue Osthoff of the National Clearing House for Battered Women in Philadelphia countered that it was time to put an end to open season on women and children.

The debate focused attention on the "battered woman syndrome" as a self-defense plea, a defense that has been around for over a decade, but one that some defense attorneys did not even know existed, much less know how to use.

In late February, Maryland's Gov. William Schafer commuted the cases of eight incarcerated women and commuted the sentences on the basis that they acted in self-defense. U.S. Rep. Constance Morella, a champion of women's rights, invited Schafer to speak at the Maryland Correctional facility.

According to statistics gathered by Morella, a woman is beaten in her home every 15 seconds. At least four women are murdered by their husbands or boyfriends every day. Every year, 3 to 4 million women are assaulted by their spouses.

Morella has introduced three bills in Congress dealing with domestic violence and U.S. Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware has introduced in the Senate a sweeping bill directed at violence against women.

It was ironic that Ohio was one of the few states that had neither precedent nor law dealing with the battered woman syndrome as a self-defense plea before 1990. Before that, only two states, Missouri and Louisiana, had laws specifically allowing the plea, the introduction of an expert witness and testimony backing up the charges of battering.

The rest, except for Wyoming, relied on precedent in a rather unequal way. Some judges used their discretion to reject the testimony and, unless the attorney was prepared to appeal it, it could die right there.

Others were tougher. "In Florida, no judge would try that," says Kathleen Haugue, assistant district attorney in Miami. "Everyone was aware of the precedent."

Wyoming is the only state without a clear-cut precedent.

California and Texas are likely to pass statutes soon. In the last session of the Texas Legislature, the bill passed both houses unanimously, but was vetoed by the governor.

Now, with Gov. Ann Richardson in office, the bill's sponsors have high hopes. In California, the sponsors themselves pulled the bill out of committee to amend parts of it. It is expected to sail through.

Osthoff says other states, including New York, Washington, Arizona and Texas, are also considering reviewing cases for clemency.

Women's rights groups estimate that about 800 women now in prison should have their cases reviewed.

This is not to say all would walk.

Celeste granted clemency to only about one-fourth of those he investigated. It must be remembered that a battered woman does not have a license to murder. She may or may not have a case of self-defense, a self-defense that at first blush looks like murder.

Many now serving time, however, were tried before the "battered woman syndrome" was admissible. Others were tried in states before there were laws or precedents. Still others may not have even told their attorneys they had been battered.

Those who grew up in violent households may have seen the beatings as a normal part of marriage and may not have mentioned it to the lawyer. They themselves viewed their actions as a way to stop the beatings and were willing to go to jail to end them.

Even today, there are women who are being convicted who probably would be acquitted, or perhaps not even brought to trial, if all the facts were brought out first and if they got the right lawyer.

It's a difficult decision for the defendants: Should they plea bargain or gamble that a jury will believe that theirs was a case of self-defense?

They risk a life sentence, maybe even a death sentence, if they lose on the self-defense plea.

One of the reasons the sentences tend to be harsh is that the battered woman who fears for her life finds it necessary to overpower her tormentor on a physical level.

A high percentage use guns, which, it can be argued, equals the odds. Men can beat women to death with their fists. Women rarely have such an option.

If she chooses to use a gun, she cannot risk a violent husband disarming her. So she may start shooting when he is most vulnerable —

asleep, with his back turned, or when he is drunk.

Nonetheless, an armed person shooting an unarmed one usually brings the state's most serious charge, such as aggravated murder.

She also almost always empties the gun.

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— Dr. Lenore Walker

"They are so afraid, feel so powerless, and believe he is omnipotent and about to rise up at any moment and beat them that they keep shooting, even when it would be clear to most people that the first bullet has killed him," says Dr. Lenore Walker of Denver.

In "The Burning Bed," a movie starring Farrah Fawcett in which the battered wife takes the kids and kills her husband by pouring gasoline around his bed and igniting it, the jury finds her innocent by reason of temporary insanity.

The "battered woman syndrome" takes a different tack. It attempts to put the jurors in the woman's shoes and demonstrate that her perception of imminent death or serious bodily harm is reasonable and sane. Thus, shooting the husband or live-in boyfriend was not only a sane and reasonable thing to do, but a matter of self-defense, even if she shot him while he was asleep.

Lawyers say these cases may be easier to win on a temporary insanity

plea in states where that plea is admissible, but they say that is missing the issue. They and the expert witnesses they call in, mainly psychologists, argue that the woman has become so terrorized, so brainwashed by years of beatings, that she believes her life is in imminent danger at all times.

Walker and other well-known expert witnesses, such as Cynthia A. Gillespie of Seattle, say some women tell them their husbands had threatened to kill them for years. So why did they finally take action?

"They just do. There is something different in the way he said it, in the look in his eyes. They are convinced he means it this time," Gillespie says.

Prosecutor Haugue in Miami doesn't agree that a snoring man is an imminent threat.

"A pre-emptive strike is murder, no matter what the circumstances," she says.

Ms. Haugue has tried eight such cases in Florida in the last three years. There were others she would not even bring to trial since they were obviously self-defense and in others she recommended a suspended sentence.

"I got five convictions and the jury walked three," she says. "I don't think the cases against the three who were acquitted were weaker, I just think the jurors took such pity on those women and what they had been through, they just let them go. They ignored the law and let their hearts take over."

Walker says the killing must be viewed in context. A jury must understand what it is like to live a life under siege, to understand that to the battered woman, the threat was both real and imminent.

"She is so terrified, she fully expects him to get up at any moment," says Dr. Angela Browne

of Boston, a psychologist and researcher. "It is also why the women are often charged with what ever that state will allow, things like aggravated murder."

The experts also must always explain away the questions that seem reasonable to those not living under this dread.

Why didn't she just leave? Why didn't she call the police?

The answers to those questions rest in a deeper problem — domestic violence — the experts say.

The woman may not have left because she tried before and was severely beaten. Statistically more women are killed when they make a run for it than at any other time.

Economic considerations may be another deterrent. She literally has nowhere to go. By leaving she may also forfeit the right to her children or put them in danger.

Why don't they call the police? Domestic violence gets low priority in most police departments. Too many women refuse to press charges if the police do act, some perhaps out of fear.

Far more men than women kill their spouses or lovers each year. The men kill at a rate of almost 1,500 a year in the United States, while women kill at the rate of 500 to 750 a year. It is estimated that 40 percent of those are in self-defense, but experts such as Angela Browne suspect that is a low figure. Men rarely kill in self-defense in spousal homicide.

Louise Ann Bauschard, executive director of Women's Infinity Network in St. Louis, Mo., says that new inmates often tell her they finally feel safe. It is only when they are behind bars that the fear leaves them.

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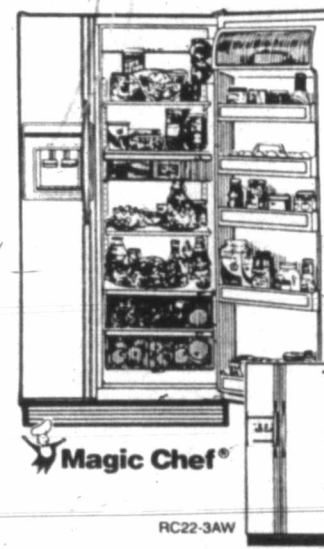
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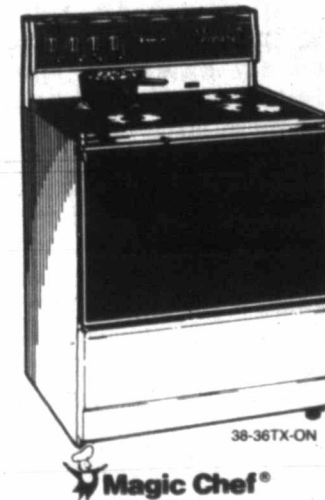
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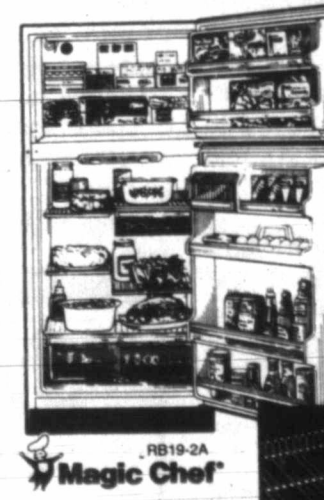
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Block says he won't tell Madigan how to run USDA

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — No way is John Block going to tell Edward Madigan how to run the Agriculture Department just because both are from Illinois. Block says he had his turn; now it's Madigan's.

Block was secretary of agriculture for five years in the Reagan administration, leaving the post in early 1986 to be president of the National-American Wholesale Grocers Association.

Madigan, selected by President Bush, was approved by voice vote on Wednesday by the Senate Agriculture Committee. He is expected to easily win approval of the full Senate.

Block was the first person from Illinois to be secretary of agriculture, and Madigan is the second, says USDA historian Doug Bow-

ers. That doesn't include Horace Capron, who was commissioner of agriculture in 1867-71 before the job was elevated to Cabinet status.

Madigan has spent more than 18 years in the House. Block operated a family-owned farm near Galesburg and was Illinois state director of agriculture before coming to Washington in 1981.

"He'll do a good job," Block said in a telephone interview from Los Angeles where his association is having its annual convention. "He comes in with an in-depth knowledge and appreciation for government and how it works, and that can be a help. He can hit the ground running."

Block carried the administration's market-oriented policies to Capitol Hill and worked hard to get the 1985 farm law passed. The 1990 act continued much of the basic framework and will help

guide policy-makers for the next five years.

Like his predecessors and two successors — Richard Lyng and Clayton Yeutter — Block as secretary of agriculture was big on foreign market development as a means of boosting farm prices and incomes.

Madigan is out of the same mold and promised at his confirmation hearing to be a strong advocate of foreign trade.

"The one thing I think about (the USDA job) is that you need to take positions on issues, be firm and stay with them," Block said. "Even if you can't win 'em, you can't be all over the board on issues. I think a firm position on policy is an absolute must, domestically and internationally."

As secretary of agriculture, "you won't win 'em all ... but at least people know where you stand and

what you stand for," he said.

If he had it all to do over again, Block said he "would spend more time schmoozing the Congress, not that I didn't work with them" on Capitol Hill.

"But (Madigan) understands that, so that's something he won't have to worry much about," he added.

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. cigarette exports last year continued at a brisk pace, totaling around 164 billion "pieces" valued at \$5 billion, according to an Agriculture Department trade report.

That was up 15 percent in volume and 38 percent in value from 1989, said the report by the department's Foreign Agricultural Service.

Major markets last year included: Belgium-Luxembourg, 53.5 billion pieces; Japan, 47.6 billion; Hong

Kong, 16.5 billion; United Arab Emirates, 7 billion; and Saudi Arabia, 6 billion.

The analysis also included a world forecast of 1990 unmanufactured tobacco at about 6.3 million metric tons, down slightly from 6.31 million tons in 1989.

A list of selected countries showed China continued as the world's leading tobacco producer in 1990 with about 2.45 million tons.

Other major tobacco producers included: United States, 649,241 tons; India, 452,820; Brazil, 350,000; Soviet Union, 215,000; and Turkey, 209,280.

The United States continued as the world's leading exporter of unmanufactured tobacco, with 223,412 tons last year, followed by Brazil, 195,000; Italy, 118,000; Greece, 112,000; Zimbabwe, 120,157; and Turkey,

90,200.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's dairy cows are producing more milk this year, and the Agriculture Department says that can mean more butter, cheese and other manufactured products.

In January, butter output was about 142 million pounds, up 12 percent from January 1990 and 22 percent more than in December, according to the most recent figures issued Wednesday.

Total cheese production was reported at 502 million pounds in January, up 4 percent from a year earlier but down 3 percent from December.

Non-fat dry milk output for human consumption was estimated at 82.6 million pounds in January, up 35 percent from a year earlier and 5 percent more than produced in December.

Opportunities available to make this world a better place for all

Farmers and ranchers like to leave our places or our land in better condition than we found it. Landowners certainly need to be concerned about their personal environment and what is happening over the years to our land.

Many times we get so close and involved with our operations that we cannot see what is happening with noxious weeds, brush and soil erosion over the years.

We need time snapshots taken over 20, 30 or 50 years to really see what is happening to our land surface.

I've been in Gray County 15 years now, and I'm beginning to have a few mental time snapshots — I just wish I had some actual snapshots of certain areas.

One area of concern has been the invasion of mesquite on our rangeland. Over the last 15 years, I have seen mesquite continue to increase and grow in size. Some mesquite infested rangeland can still be eradicated rather than controlled. Once mesquite starts making beans, the seeds will be viable for many years so it takes dedicated effort over several generations to keep mesquite under control.

Downstate, range owners do not have the choice of eradicating mesquite. They that at best it is keeping it under control.

Brush control is not a cheap process, but it is something that pro-

In agriculture Joe VanZandt

ducers need to be dedicated to make the commitment to get the job done.

Besides mesquite, range infesting plants include yucca, sagebrush, shinoak, prickly pear, and goldaster, to name a few.

Along creeks and draws we can count the growth and increase of trees such as Hackberry, Western Soapberry (Wild Chinaberry), Tree-of-Heaven, for example, that are so thick in places that you cannot ride a horse through them.

Speaking of yucca, as I drove through Parmer County (Friona, Bovina, Farwell) on my way to Portales for the ball game, I noticed a few locations where yucca had greatly increased. I had a mental 25-plus year snapshot of what I remembered some of the grassland looked like. It has been 25 years since I left there as their county Extension agent. This helped to remind me of how some of these noxious plants increase over time.

The same thing also happens to farmland in the name of bindweed, Johnson grass and soil erosion. Farm and ranch operators need to be aware of the impact from trash and discarded machinery on our environment also. All of these things contribute to opportunities for each

of us to leave this world a little better than we found it.

LOVEGRASS — HOLD UP BURNING

Going along with my feeling about maybe a drought is coming this year, I want to see us get a rain before I think we should burn-off any lovegrass pastures.

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Another point for not burning until after a rain is the fact that old grass might look pretty good if it waits a long time before rain falls.

Now if you disagree with my feeling about this dry weather and decided to burn-off some old lovegrass — make sure you have plenty of help to assist in case the fire tries to get out of control. There are a lot of grass fires occurring without being set and a lot of damage is being done. Just be certain you can control any fire you set — have enough equipment and manpower on stand-by.

hides and leather, also can be questionable.

"Inspectors will check rolling stock like tanks, jeeps and personnel carriers; aircraft, such as fighter and cargo jets and helicopters; and ships," Glosser said. "Personal baggage also will be checked for prohibited items such as fresh fruits and meat products."

Glosser said there is a major risk of contamination from agricultural souvenirs that might come from the gulf region.

"One of the main things we're

concerned with is produce, because it can carry the insect egg or pupa," said inspection service spokesman Doug Hendrix. "For citrus, that could include the Medfly."

The Middle East, including Iraq, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, have many animal and plant problems that are not present in the United States, the inspection agency said. Besides the produce-destroying Medfly, threats to livestock include brucellosis and foot-and-mouth disease.

Farming woes



(AP Laserphoto)

Ray Morris, right, who coached boy's high school basketball for 10 years, now farms cotton in Shallowater. Government cutbacks and the recession have made it difficult for Morris to turn a profit on his crop and support his wife and their three boys. The boys are, from left, Aaron, 7; Eric, 4; and Andrew, seven months.

Export subsidy program running out of funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — A subsidy program to help sell U.S. wheat and other commodities overseas is nearly out of money, the Agriculture Department said Thursday.

F. Paul Dickerson, general sales manager for the department's Foreign Agricultural Service said only about \$13 million remained available under the Export Enhancement Program, or EEP.

Under the program, exporters are paid subsidies in the form of surplus government commodities so they can sell wheat or other

designated products to a foreign buyer at competitive prices.

The program began in 1985 to help offset subsidized exports by other countries, notably the European Community.

Congress last year effectively capped EEP at a level of \$425 million for the current fiscal year that began Oct. 1. Subsidies so far total approximately \$412 million, Dickerson said.

Bills have been introduced in Congress to remove the EEP lid

and boost funding to maintain U.S. farm export competitiveness.

Disclosure of the dwindling funds came shortly after the department announced an additional subsidized wheat sale to the Soviet Union of 350,000 metric tons for delivery through April 20.

The exporter was Cargill Inc., which will be paid the equivalent bonus, or subsidy, of \$39.69 per ton, Dickerson said. That totals about \$13.9 million, or more than remains in the EEP fund.

Returning troops, gear under USDA scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American troops who defeated Iraq are being told not to come home with a contaminated camel saddle or other souvenir that could threaten crops and livestock.

A team of Agriculture Department inspectors is in the Persian Gulf to help make sure that doesn't happen.

Two inspectors are in the gulf region and more are expected to follow, the department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service said Thursday.

"Our inspectors will brief military units on how to prepare gear and equipment for return to the United States, including tips on how to clean and seal materials for transit," said inspection service Administrator James W. Glosser.

The so-called "preclearance inspections" are routine for U.S. military troop movements when forces have been in areas where exotic pests and diseases exist, he said.

Nine inspectors will be used initially, but that number can increase or decrease as the homeward flow of troops changes.

Major attention will be paid to equipment and baggage that could carry dirt and organic matter harboring soil-borne nematodes, disease-carrying insects or insect pupae.

"Items such as camel saddles may be a problem because they are often stuffed with materials that are prohibited," Glosser said.

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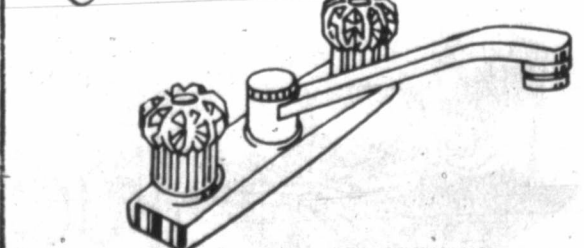
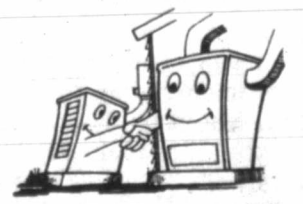
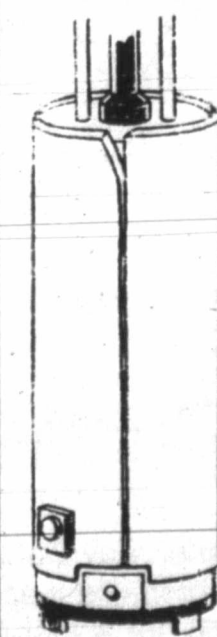


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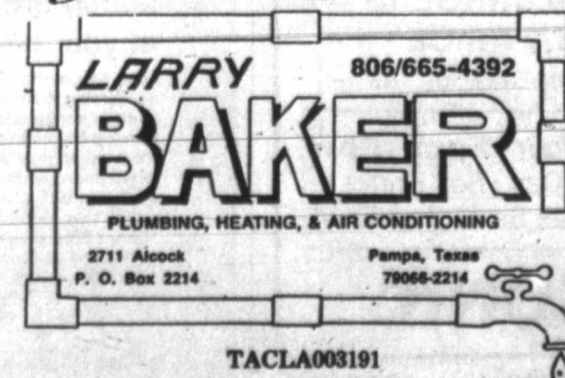
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For the very shy, fear of strangers is in the genes

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Science Writer

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Four-month-old David frowned warily at first when an orange and red plastic bear bounced on a string 2 feet from his blond head. Then slowly his face crumpled into a gargoyles scowl. He howled and arched his back and thrashed his tiny arms and legs.

Newness and uncertainty, the things that make life interesting for many, are clearly painful to David. Even though his time on Earth has hardly begun, a psychologist who watched his heart-rending reaction is quite certain what lies ahead.

David will probably grow up to be painfully shy, the kind of person who would rather have a root canal than strike up a conversation with a stranger.

"I'm afraid he will remain vulnerable to being anxious when things get out of his control," said Jerome Kagan. "He won't be an investment banker or

a fighter pilot or anything else where there is likely to be risk and uncertainty. He'll have close friends, but he won't be the life of the party."

In his lab at Harvard University, Kagan has videotaped how David and hundreds of other infants deal with funny noises, odd smells, weird toys and strangely dressed grownups. What he sees leads him and other psychologists to believe that the seeds of extreme shyness and caution are already sown at birth and probably lie within the genes.

Babies like David seem clearly unusual in many ways. They have easily excitable, revved up nervous systems. Even at 2 weeks of age, their hearts beat faster during sleep than other babies'. By 9 months, the pattern of brain waves inside their heads is distinctly different.

In new situations, their blood pressures are more likely to rise, their pupils to dilate and their vocal cords to tense. They tend to get hay fever. Often they even look different: The very shy

are more likely to have thin faces, slender builds and blue eyes.

Scientists believe that by observing how youngsters act and how their bodies work, they can pick out the ones who are predisposed — though not absolutely destined — to become shy and timid teen-agers and adults.

"We think we can go back and select the behavioral patterns that reflect the earliest temperamental origins of shyness," said psychologist Nathan Fox of the University of Maryland. "We also think we can nail down the interaction between those temperamental patterns and brain activity."

Kagan, the pioneer in this field, calls this inborn tendency "temperamental shyness." Not all shy people have it. For instance, this category does not include youngsters who turn shy as they get older, usually after age 4, because of some disagreeable experience: They stutter; they are homely; they can't play baseball. These children often fall quiet with strangers, but they are not unusually afraid of other things.

Temperamentally shy youngsters, however, are restrained and inhibited in all unfamiliar situations.

"These are children for whom the first reaction to every new food, every new stranger, every new place, every new smell is to push it away," said Stella Chess, a child psychiatrist at New York University Medical Center. "If you give them a new food, it dribbles out the side of their mouths. If they come to a new place, they hide behind the person who brought them."

Kagan estimates that 20 percent of middle-class white American children — the only ones he has studied — are born temperamentally shy.

At age 4 months, these babies fuss at almost any unexpected diversion. They arch their backs, flex their arms and legs and generally act worried at the sight of a gaily colored mobile or a whiff of alcohol on a cotton swab. They also sleep poorly at night, take short naps and are often irritable during their first eight or nine months.

In their second year of life, these

youngsters are timid. They cling to their mothers around strangers, dislike noisy toys and are uneasy about anything out of the ordinary, such as an unfamiliar house or a new nursery school. If separated from their parents, they may be inconsolable.

As they grow older, they are often reserved and quiet with other children. Many are haunted by lingering fears of such bugaboos as being kidnapped or eaten by large animals.

However, the inborn tendency does not mean babies will unfailingly grow up to be withdrawn. Many learn to cope with their condition and even overcome it. Though they will never be gregarious back-slappers, they will not be cringingly bashful, either. Kagan said that by age 8, about 10 percent of all children are still excessively introverted, and by age 20 only about 5 percent are this way.

"That doesn't mean they have lost the temperamental quality," said Kagan. "It just means that they've lost the external demeanor of being shy."

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Economists: Credit card rates defying the law of gravity

By ROB WELLS
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Interest rate cuts designed to jump-start the economy have not found their way to credit cards.

The average interest rate on charge cards is higher today than in spring 1989, when banks' prime lending rates began to tumble from a high of 11.5 percent.

"The fact of the matter is credit card rates, for at least the last decade, have defied the laws of economic gravity," Elgie Holstein, director of Bankcard Holders of America, said Thursday.

The prime lending rate — the rate

banks charge their best customers and a key reference for other types of loans — has dropped to 9 percent since its spring 1989 peak.

Most recent cuts in the prime have been in response to the Federal Reserve's 1 percentage point cut in the discount rate to 6 percent since December. The Fed tries to stimulate the economy by providing banks with cheaper funds in hopes that banks will pass the savings on to customers.

But the cuts have not affected credit card interest rates, said Robert Heady, publisher of Bank Rate Monitor of North Palm Beach, Fla.

In the last two years, the average credit card interest rate has increased,

from 18.09 percent in April 1989 to 18.88 percent as of Thursday, he said.

Representatives of two large New York banks with credit card interest rates of 19.8 percent — Citibank and Chase Manhattan Bank — say the criticism is misguided.

Banks typically don't cut their credit card interest rates as their cost of funds fall, the banks say. High administrative expenses and services offered with credit cards figure into the rates, said Ken Mills, Chase Manhattan spokesman.

Mills and Citibank spokeswoman Susan Weeks said both banks offer cards with many services, such as extended warranties on purchases.

"What we try to do is set a rate that

lasts for the long term, because our credit card customers do not want to see their rates go up and down like a yo-yo," Weeks said. Citibank hasn't changed its credit card interest rate since 1981, she said.

Peg Miller, a banking expert for the Consumers Federation of America, said credit cards and associated revolving lines of credit are becoming the dominant vehicles for personal lending, largely replacing personal loans.

In 1980, outstanding debt for all credit cards totaled \$82 billion; that increased to \$203 billion in 1989, the most recent year for which figures were available, according to Bankcard Holders of America, based in Herndon, Va.

Miller's group intends to push for new laws to regulate credit card interest rates and increase competition.

Where competition is heavy, banks respond to lower rates from the Federal Reserve, Miller said. The mortgage market, where banks compete with mortgage companies and other money sources, has seen a drop in rates since the Fed began aggressively lowering interest rates.

The national average for conventional 30-year fixed-rate mortgages fell below 9.5 percent last month, a 4-year low, although rates have risen slightly since then.

Tests show underage teen-agers have no trouble buying beer

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — When youths below the legal drinking age were sent to 100 liquor and grocery stores here to buy a six-pack of beer, they succeeded 97 times, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety says.

When the same experiment was conducted in New York City last year, underage men succeeded in 84 out of 113 attempts to buy beer, the insurance industry organization said.

The beer buyers, all aged 19 and 20, had few problems — their ID cards were rarely requested — even though the legal alcohol purchasing age is now 21 in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Institute President Brian O'Neill said the research on the availability of beer to underage people was conducted out of concern that, after years of decline, the involvement of alcohol in auto accidents that killed young people is again on the rise.

"Raising the legal minimum purchasing age for alcohol to 21 years old nationwide in the early 1980s was clearly a big success," O'Neill said Wednesday. "We immediately saw a decline in alcohol involvement in fatal crashes involving young people."

In 1980, before the alcohol purchase laws were made uniform, 53 percent of all fatally injured drivers younger than 21 had blood alcohol concentrations of 0.10 percent or higher, O'Neill said. The 0.10 percent level is the legal definition of intoxication in most states.

By 1987, after the passage of uniform-age laws, such involvement had fallen to 27 percent, O'Neill said. But by 1989, the percentage had risen to 32 percent for the under-21 population, the only age group showing an increase.

One reason for the increase, O'Neill said, "is that it's becoming easy for younger age people to buy alcohol; this is what the research points to."

O'Neill said that the institute believes it is easy for young people to buy alcohol nationwide, not just in Washington or New York.

"Underage people seem to be able to buy alcohol easily, and what we need to address the problem is tighter enforcement of minimum alcohol-purchasing-age laws," he said.

"Maybe if some retail establishments lost their licenses to sell alcohol, things would get better in a hurry."

Chuck Hurley, the institute's vice president for communications, said Washington and New York were selected for the beer-buying attempts because both have laws making it illegal for underage people to purchase alcohol "with intent to consume."

"We had the young people in our survey sign statements of intent not to consume" the beer they purchased, he said. "And we took immediate possession of the six-packs purchased, thereby avoiding violation of the law."

Judge, 19, holds night court

PLANO (AP) — A 19-year-old judge came through on his campaign promise to set up a civil night court.

John Payton heard three cases concerning evictions and small claims during his first night-court session Wednesday as a justice of the peace in this northern Texas city. About 20 people attended, including Payton's mother and sister and a TV news crew.

Payton said it went well. "The people are more relaxed, and things flowed better," Payton said. "I allowed for a little more latitude than I usually allow in court."

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REAL ESTATE

TRACT 1 - SELLING AT 1:00 P.M. Subject To Confirmation Of High Bid
1426 S. Barrett St. - A 5.15 Ac. Tract of Land, 235'x955', including a WAYSIDE
14x67 Mobile home w/ 14x56 Den & Garage Addition, 11x11 Covered Patio, 30x40
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Confirmation of High Bid. Will Be Sold Off-site.
521 N. Doyle St. - A 50x125.8 Lot (Lot 6, Blk 27, Talley Addition) Including a 2
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1311 RHAM - S - Super buy on this three bedroom with 1 1/2 baths
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1112 DUNCAN - N - Heat home with vinyl siding and covered soffit
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1613 NORTH DWIGHT - O - One owner brick with super street
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