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Christopher and Robin Kuhns with daughter, Krystal, 7, stand at the grave of daughters, Melissa and Michelle, who died when the parked car they were in plunged into a pond at their Ohio home./7A

Painter released

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter was released from Memorial Hospital and Medical Center Monday following a heart attack and bypass surgery. Painter, 45, was taken to the emergency room Nov. 8, after experiencing chest pain. Doctors discovered he was having a heart attack that was being caused by blockage in a vessel on the right side of his heart. Painter was treated and moved to the Intensive Care Unit, where he continued to experience chest pain. A cardiac catheterization revealed blockage in the main left artery and two other vessels. Doctors then performed quintuple-bypass surgery.

Teacher suspended

A third-grade teacher who last week was charged with sexual assault has been suspended with pay from his job at Travis Elementary School, said Ted Miller, spokesman for the Midland Independent School District. Ralph Torres, 33, of Odessa was arrested at school Friday and released on bail, according to police reports. Police said Torres knew the adult victim of the alleged assault, which occurred off campus. Miller said Torres was suspended according to policy dealing with personnel who are under investigation for wrongdoing. The suspension allows Torres to prepare his defense and keeps him off campus because people might feel "uncomfortable" if he taught while the charges are pending, Miller said.

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Leaders vow era of action

■ Gridlock is over; teamwork has begun, Clinton, Democratic lawmakers say.

Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — President-elect Clinton and Democratic congressional leaders promised a "new era" of action on Monday and said creating jobs and restoring America's economic power would be their top priorities.

"I will be in a hurry," Clinton said at a joint news conference with Democratic lawmakers who pledged a new alliance with the White House after 12 years of divided government.

"Gridlock is over and coop-

eration and teamwork have begun," said House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt.

Clinton declared an end to "the Cold War between the Congress and the White House" and promised, "Pennsylvania Avenue will run both ways again."

The president-elect, who is making his first post-election trip to Washington later this week, offered no specifics as to what he would press for first in the new Democratic regime.

"I can't say for sure which will and what won't pass within 100 days," Clinton said. "I'll just work as hard as I can and get as much done as quickly as I can."

Clinton said that during his

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Police await test results in murder solicitation arrest

Staff report

A 16-year-old Midland youth, arrested last week for allegedly trying to hire a hit man to kill another youth, could be tried as an adult in the case, pending results of a battery of psychological tests, Midland County Attorney Mark Dettman said.

"If he isn't tried as an adult he could be subject to a 'determinate sentence' where he could still be indicted by a grand jury," Dettman said.

If convicted, the youth would be sent to the Texas Youth Commission until he is 18 and would finish his sentence in the Texas Department of Corrections.

The maximum sentence for solicitation of murder is 30 years. The psychological report is expected to be ready within two weeks.

The youth was arrested on Nov. 7 and sent to the Culver Youth Home, Dettman said.

Mondays may be harder on the heart, doctors say

■ Risk of heart attack is 50 percent greater on Monday than on other days, research shows.

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Here's another reason to hate Mondays: The risk of a heart attack may be as much as 50 percent greater than on any other day.

Not surprisingly, though, this discovery only applies to people who work. Researchers from Germany studied nearly 6,000 heart attacks to come to the conclusion that Mondays are even worse than people thought.

"It must have something to do with going from being a couch potato to a working person. Maybe we should all

call in sick on Monday," commented Dr. Robert Zoble of the University of South Florida.

The findings, though, have a serious side. For several years, researchers have been studying when heart attacks occur, because this can provide clues about precisely what triggers them. And that information will help doctors come up with new strategies to prevent heart attacks, the No. 1 killer in the United States and other industrialized countries.

Recently, for instance, other scientists have found that the chance of dying from a heart attack is twice as high during the first two hours after getting up as it is for the rest of the day.

The latest data were presented Monday at the annual scientific meeting of

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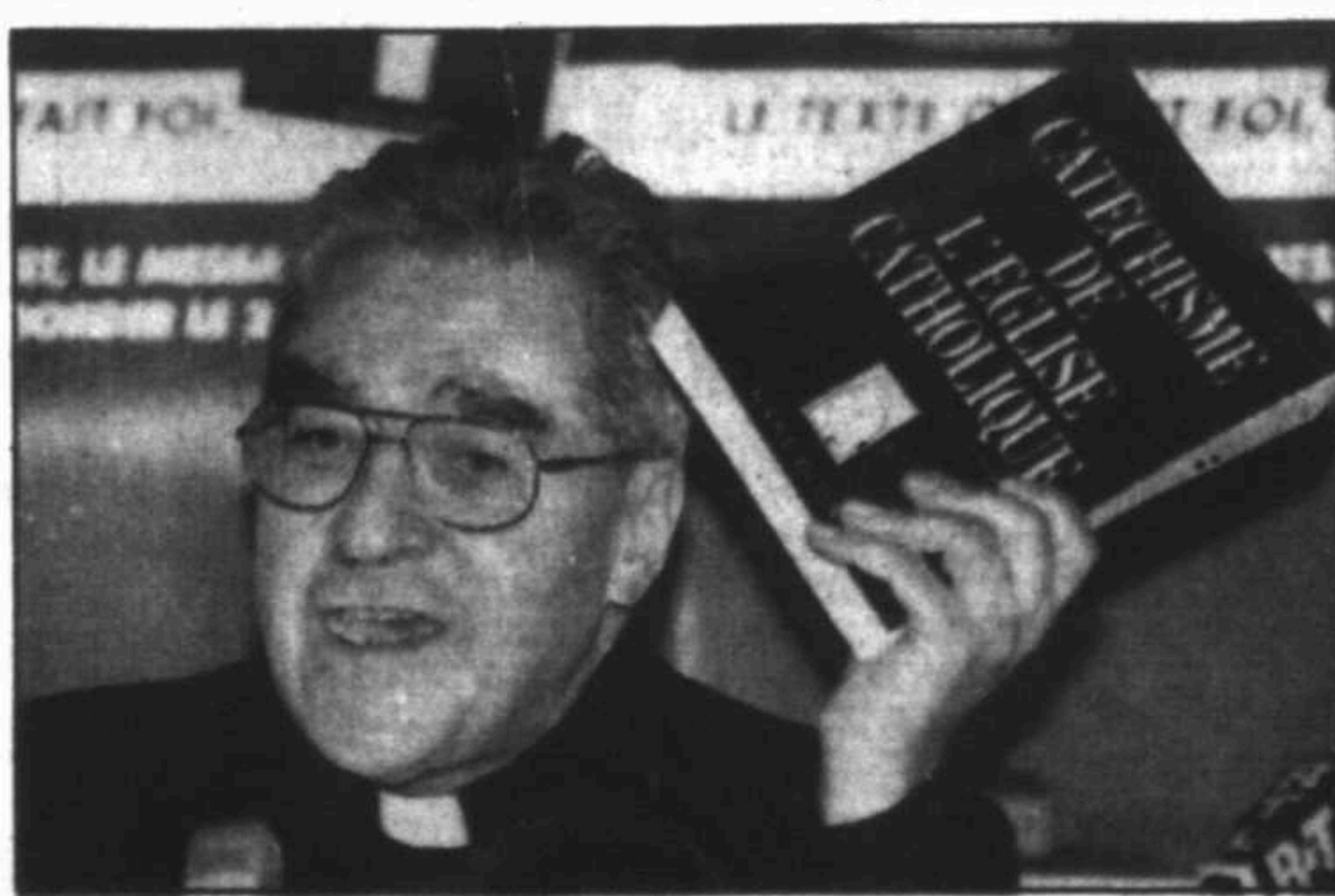
Catholic Church unveils new doctrine

PARIS (AP) — The Roman Catholic Church moved Monday to bring doctrine into line with modern life, unveiling a new catechism that casts a more tolerant eye on homosexuals. It also extends "Thou Shalt Not Steal" to include those who pay low wages or perform low-quality work.

The first revised guidelines for the Catholic faith in 426 years contain no new sins and eliminate none of the old ones, including divorce and abortion. The catechism addresses such contemporary ethical issues as terrorism, organ transplants and genetic engineering.

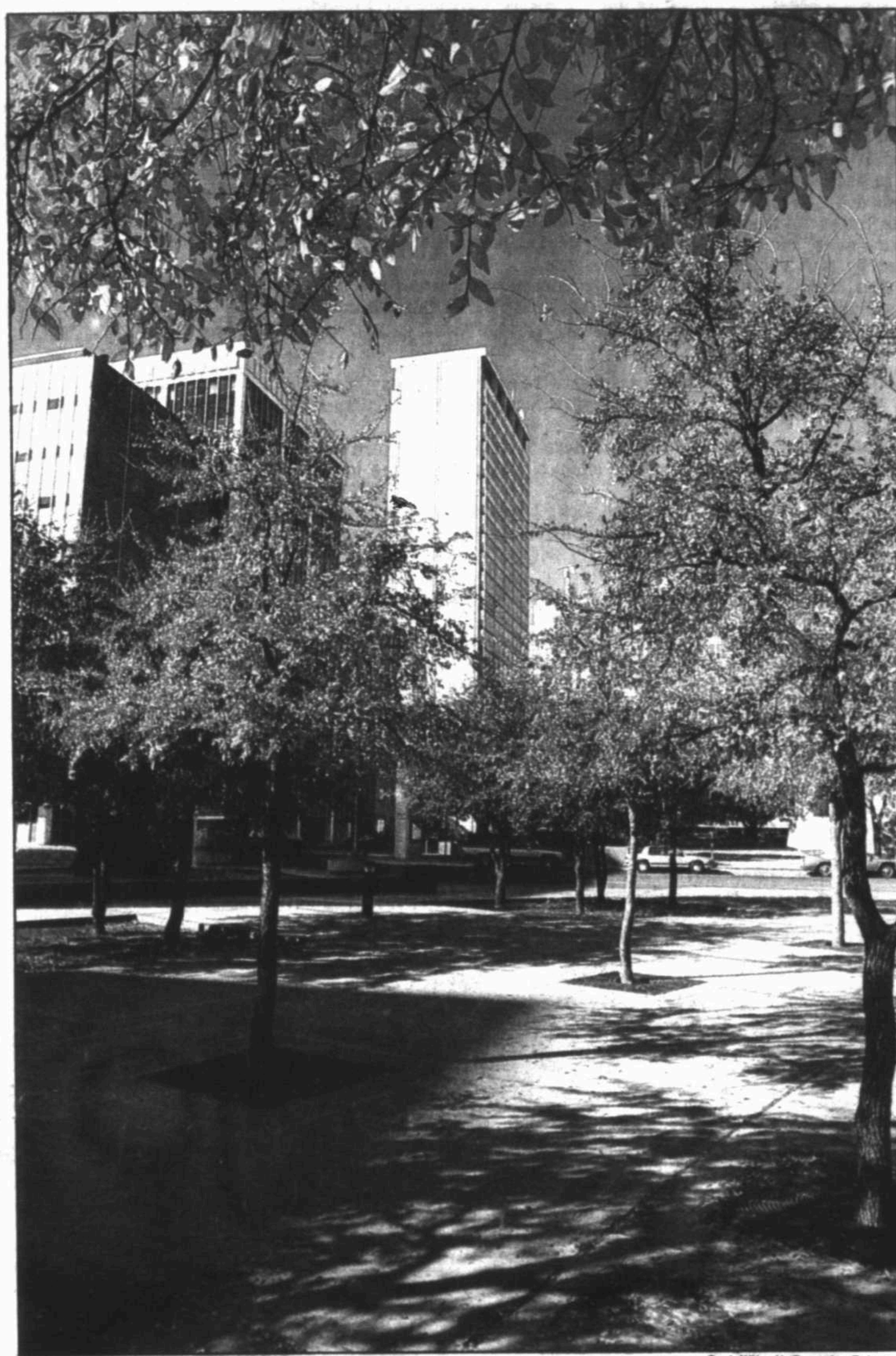
In line with traditional teachings, the catechism describes homosexual acts as "intrinsic-

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AP Laserphoto

Paris Archbishop Jean-Marie Lustiger displays the new guidelines of the Roman Catholic Church, the first new catechism in 426 years.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Fall colors

Unseasonably warm afternoon temperatures haven't stopped Mother Nature from changing to her fall dress, illustrated by this burst of color Centennial Plaza trees.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Four-year-old Haley Ford, front, and best friend, Madeline Bailey, 4, rock on one of the toys at Chris Davidson Opportunity Park.

Resident donates money for toys at Opportunity Park

■ Anonymous donor makes \$1,000 gift.

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff writer

A long-time Midland citizen donated \$1,000 Monday to replace three coil-spring toys stolen from the Chris Davidson Opportunity Park, one of three parks in the country fully accessible to the handicapped.

After being put in place, security devices — such as locks — will be affixed to prevent the toys from being taken again.

"I guess we'll do what we have to do

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Dettman: Hot-check writers arrested if payment not made

By Ed Todd
Staff writer

The rule is simple: Count your money before you spend it. Otherwise, the money might not be in the bank.

Over and over each year, hundreds of Midlanders don't count their funds, or they expect some sort of windfall. They write checks and end up trying to explain why their checks were hot.

But most make their bad checks good. "Some write checks and then expect some type of insurance settlement from their insurance company, and it never comes," said hot-check collector

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WEATHER SUMMARY

High to reach mid-70s

Staff report

Today's forecast calls for early morning low cloudiness and fog, becoming partly cloudy by noon. The high will be in the mid-70s with south winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight should be mostly cloudy with a low in the mid-40s, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Wednesday should be cloudy and a little cooler with a 20 percent chance of rain and a high in the mid-60s.

After an overnight low of 45, Monday's high reached 75, compared to the record for that date of 86 set in 1963. The record low was 18 set in 1959.

STATE

Various conditions were present all over Texas on Monday, with rain in the south, clear skies with few clouds in the west and warm air trailed by wind in the north.

The Rio Grande Valley saw much rainfall as a low pressure system moved eastward. In the areas where it didn't rain, there were mostly and partly cloudy skies and some fog and haze.

Afternoon temperatures reached the mid 70s with lows in the 40s and 50s.

Highs will be in the 60s and 70s on Tuesday with some morning fog possible.

Concho Valley was the only West Texas area under cloudy skies as most of the region was clear and sunny.

In mid-afternoon, temperatures ranged 65 degrees at San Angelo to 78 degrees at Wink with winds gusting up to 15 mph from the south.

The forecast calls for increasing cloudiness through Wednesday, accompanied by chances for rain.

North Texas endured strong southerly winds up to 20 mph as a flow of warm, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico blew into the region followed by mid-level clouds from the west.

By 3 p.m. Monday, only the extreme northeastern corner of the state remained clear and temperatures were above normal, reaching as much as 75 degrees in Waco and at Fort Hood.

NATION

Snow fell over parts of the Great Lakes region on Monday, after locally heavy "lake effect" snow fell downwind of lakes Erie and Ontario.

At midday, snow was falling over northern Minnesota, northern and eastern Wisconsin, southern Lower Michigan, and parts of the lower Great Lakes.

Up to 4 inches of snow was reported along the Lake Superior shoreline of northeastern Minnesota and northwestern Wisconsin, with 3 inches overnight at Duluth, Minn.

Cold wind picking up moisture from the lower Great Lakes has produced heavy snow from northern Ohio across the northwestern corner of Pennsylvania into western and central New York state.

In western New York, near Lake Erie, 3 feet of snow had fallen since Thursday at the Kissing Bridge Ski Area in Colden, about 15 miles southeast of Buffalo, said marketing director Peter Calleri. The resort opened Sunday and had more than 1,000 skiers.

The town of Boston, N.Y., about 25 miles southeast of Buffalo, picked up about 24 inches Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the National Weather Service said.

And at the eastern end of Lake Ontario, lake-effect squalls produced steady snow in parts of New York's Oswego and Jefferson counties, including 1 1/2 feet at Fort Drum near Watertown, the weather service said.

Elsewhere, light rain and drizzle associated with an upper level weather system spread across the northern and central Pacific Coast. Light showers were scattered over south-central Texas.

But midday readings were still freezing from northern North Dakota to Upper Michigan and northern Wisconsin.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Midland statistics

Texas temperatures

FORECAST		Hi	Lo	Ppn
Today: early morning low cloudiness and fog, becoming partly cloudy by noon, high in the mid-70s, south winds at 10-20 mph.		73	38	
Tonight: mostly cloudy, low in the mid-40s.		73	48	
Wednesday: cloudy and a little cooler, 20 percent chance of rain, high in the mid-60s.		73	48	
CONVENTIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS				
Yesterday's High	75 degrees			
Overnight Low	45 degrees			
Sunrise today	5:48 a.m.			
Sunrise tomorrow	7:21 a.m.			
Precipitation	0.00 inches			
Last 24 hours	0.00 inches			
This month to date	0.00 inches			
Year to date	20.07 inches			
LOCAL TEMPERATURES				
6 a.m.	60	8 a.m.	53	
7 p.m.	53	7 a.m.	52	
8 p.m.	49	8 a.m.	52	
9 p.m.	49	9 a.m.	54	
10 p.m.	53	10 a.m.	59	
11 p.m.	45	11 a.m.	63	
midnight	45	noon	68	
1 a.m.	52	1 p.m.	71	
2 a.m.	53	2 p.m.	72	
3 a.m.	53	3 p.m.	74	
4 a.m.	53	4 p.m.	73	
5 a.m.	53	5 p.m.	73	
		6 p.m.	63	

Area forecast

West Texas: Poshandle, southeast. Today, partly sunny and cooler. Highs in the lower to mid 60s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a slight chance of showers. Highs in the lower to mid 50s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows in the mid to upper 30s. Extended forecast, Thursday, cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower to mid 50s. Friday and Saturday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers Friday. Lows in the mid to upper 30s. Highs in the lower to mid 50s. South Plains, Permian Basin, Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau, this morning low cloudiness and fog becoming partly cloudy by midday. Highs in the lower to mid 70s. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the lower to mid 40s south plains and Permian Basin, and in the lower 50s Concho Valley. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs from the mid 50s to around 60 South Plains, and in the mid to upper 60s elsewhere. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows in the mid to upper 30s South Plains, and in the lower to mid 40s elsewhere. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the 60s. Friday, decreasing cloudiness. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 60s.

County forecasts

Midland, Ector, Crane, Upton, Howard, Martin, Andrews, Glasscock, Gaines, Borden, Dawson and Reagan: Today, early morning low cloudiness and fog then becoming partly cloudy around noon. High in the mid 70s. South wind 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a low in the mid 40s. Wednesday, cloudy and a little cooler with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High in the mid 60s.

GIFT: Resident buys park toys

(From 1A)

to protect the park," said Jean Jones, office manager for the Midland Association for Retarded Citizens, which maintains the park.

MARC officials expressed shock after the toys — a bumble-bee, a duck and a motorcycle — were discovered missing last Wednesday.

Ray Unterbrink, executive director, said that to remove the toys, each held down by four bolts, would take about 15 minutes apiece.

Unterbrink said last week that he thought the toys were taken to be used in someone's backyard and hoped a neighbor would report the stolen items.

No one did.

The man that donated the replacement cost asked MARC officials that he remain anonymous.

MARC officials said the donation represented the "typical spirit

of Midland.

Nevertheless, toddlers who enjoyed rocking on the spring-coil toys — amid a variety of colorful play things — will have to wait for the replacements.

"It takes about four to six weeks to get from the manufacturer and they're on order. It will probably be the end of the year before we get them," Ms. Jones said.

Opportunity Park — a half-million dollar private park open to the public — is visited daily by about 300 people, MARC officials said.

The four-acre park, located at Ventura Avenue and A Street, was named after the late Chris Davidson, whose father Steve was a leader in the development of the park.

MARC officials said they hope the recent incident will "make Midlanders aware that this type of crime is happening."

CHECKS: Most people pay, Dettman says

(From 1A)

Felis Guerrero.

Ms. Guerrero is manager of Midland County Attorney Mark H. Dettman's Hot Check Office, which last year collected on 9,017 checks totaling \$402,278.06. The amount collected represented a 70 percent collection of the \$572,392.45 on 11,714 checks.

However, since the collection on a year's checks goes into the following year, the actual collection rate rises to about 90 percent, Dettman said.

Merchants who are unsuccessful in collecting on checks after they have sent certified letters demanding payment to errant check writers may turn hot checks for amounts up to \$750 each over to the County Attorney's Hot Check Office for collection and, as a last resort, for prosecution as misdemeanor offenses.

Hot checks written for more than \$750 are turned over to District Attorney Al Schorke for collection or prosecution. In Texas, theft over \$750 is classified as a felony — an offense for which the perpetrator may serve a prison

term, may be fined, and ordered to pay restitution.

A person convicted of misdemeanor theft may be jailed, fined and ordered to pay restitution.

Once merchants turn uncollected checks over to the Hot Check Office, Ms. Guerrero and her assistant, Elsa Baeza, mail courtesy letters to check writers requesting payment within 15 days. Those letters often are followed up by telephone calls.

"Usually, we try to work with them if they need more than the 15 days to pay," Ms. Guerrero said.

If restitution is not made, warrants will be issued for the check writer's arrest. But warrants are issued for only about 5 percent of hot-check writers, Dettman said.

"Once they get arrested, nine out of 10 pay their checks off, pay a fine, and that's the end of it," Dettman said.

Those who ultimately don't pay are either unwilling or unable to make restitution or are habitual criminals and end up serving time in jail.

"We just put them in jail," Dettman said. "The bottom line is: I

want the merchants to get restitution. They are the victims of theft."

Rather than arresting people, "We had rather have the money," Ms. Baeza said. "We work with them. The merchants appreciate having the money sooner rather than having to wait for them (the hot-check writers) to get picked up."

Many merchants, Dettman noted, accept checks without always verifying the check-writer's identification, including getting driver's license number.

However, Dettman said, "In Midland, Texas, (just about) everybody knows everybody, and we basically trust everybody."

Still, among those who write hot checks are those who rationalize their behavior.

"They all have different excuses," Ms. Guerrero said. Excuses include: "The bank made a mistake" or "My boyfriend left and took my checkbook," Ms. Baeza said.

Sometimes a person's payroll check may bounce, and checks which otherwise would have been honored turn hot.

Ms. Baeza recalled one person

who repeatedly wrote checks for travel expenses and for gifts, and when he had "had his fun," he decided to get honest and said, "OK, I'm ready to pay the price."

"He did what he wanted to do ... as far as his checks would take him," Ms. Baeza said.

Contributing to the number of hot checks, Ms. Baeza said, is the convenience of opening a bank account.

"It is so easy to open a checking account," she said. A person may open checking accounts for household, business, and personal expenses. But many merchants now are using a system to verify whether or not a person has a history of writing hot checks before exchanging merchandise, services or cash for checks.

Dettman said his office tries "everything we can to get the merchants' money back." The arrest route is the "last resort."

Fortunately, most people who end up writing hot checks are "honest, decent people who get in a bind," Dettman said. Most of them pay off their indebtedness, he said.

CLINTON: Leaders promise era of action

(From 1A)

first meeting with congressional leaders — a three-hour dinner Sunday night — all hands agreed that "creating jobs, raising incomes, getting our economy moving again, and the long-term competitive strength of the American economy" was the No. 1 objective.

Democratic leaders share his commitment, Clinton said, to health care reform and bringing down the deficit.

Those attending Sunday's session included Gephardt, House Speaker Tom Foley and Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, Vice President-elect Al Gore and Clinton's wife, Hillary.

"Our dinner (Sunday) night marks a new era of cooperation and action in our nation's capital," Clinton said.

The president-elect has said in the past that a short-term jobs package — one that would likely include tax breaks for business investment — might come first on

his priority list to get through Congress, especially if the economy remains stagnant.

On Monday, he sought to downplay expectations for what would emerge from Congress in his first 100 days, saying he expected to forward proposals on thorny issues such as health care to Capitol Hill promptly but not necessarily see them enacted immediately.

Clinton brushed off speculation that Republicans would try to tie his hands, and said the scope of America's problems — not politics — would be his biggest hurdle. He cited the "mammoth complexity" of health care as one of the huge challenges ahead.

"I think the problems are likely to give us far more difficulty than the personalities," he said.

In a wide-ranging news conference, Clinton also:

■ Said that despite the deficit, he'd make good on his campaign pledge of tax breaks for the middle class.

■ Reiterated his intention to lift

the ban on homosexuals in the military despite opposition from military leaders and Sen. Sam Nunn, a Georgia Democrat who chairs the Senate Armed Services Committee. Clinton said anew he would consult with opponents in working out the details of his policy.

Nunn is said to be under consideration for secretary of defense, and Clinton said his disagreement with Nunn on the issue wouldn't hurt the senator's Cabinet prospects.

"One of the things that has gotten presidents in trouble in the past, big time, is having people around them who were afraid to disagree with them, even in private," Clinton said.

■ Spoke favorably of Foley's proposal for a compromise on line-item veto legislation. Clinton wants to be able to kill individual spending items within larger appropriations bills, an idea resisted by many Democrats in Congress.

Under Foley's proposal, a presidential veto of a specific spending

item could be overridden by a majority of lawmakers.

■ Said there are several options available to deal with the strife in the former Yugoslavia, "short of sending troops in."

■ Said he wouldn't improve diplomatic relations with Vietnam until leaders there offer the "fullest possible accounting" for the fate of Americans missing in action since the Vietnam War.

■ Said he hoped to keep the size of congressional staff on a "downward trend" but noted Congress has already cut its size while the White House staff "exploded." "I want to get out there and set an example and I'm going to cut 25 percent from the White House staff," he said.

Clinton went out of his way to raise his wife's standing as an influential partner. He noted in response to one question that she had joined him, Gore and the lawmakers in their dinner discussion, and said she "knew more than we did about some things."

MONDAY: Study links attacks, return to work

(From 1A)

the American Heart Association. "This points to the role of changing activity levels in triggering cardiac events," said Dr. Stefan N. Willich of the Free University of Berlin, who directed the study.

He and colleagues kept track of all the heart attacks and coronary arrests over five years among 330,000 people who lived in the Augsburg area.

During this time, 5,596 attacks occurred. The researchers found that among working people, Mondays were especially hazardous, accounting for 18 percent of all heart attacks. Sunday was the safest with 12 percent of all heart attacks, or 50 percent less than on Mondays.

Mondays' risk was 40 percent higher overall compared with the

rest of the week, the researchers said.

The second-riskiest day was Thursday, followed by Saturday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

However, for retirees and others who were not employed, there was no significant difference when heart attacks happened.

The study needs to be conducted elsewhere before scientists can be sure the results are true. However, experts said the trend is likely

to be the same in any industrialized country that follows a Monday through Friday work week.

Willich said that if the findings hold up, they may suggest the importance of being sure to take such heart-protecting medicines as aspirin and beta blockers on Monday morning.

"It's one of those quirky things we sometimes see in medicine that may turn out to be important," commented Dr. Warford Johnson of Springfield, Mo.

Dr. Clarence Grimm of Charles R. Drew University in Los Angeles speculated that weekend drinking might account for some of the Monday increase in heart attacks. He said other studies have shown that people's blood pressures rise when their bodies withdraw from a bout of overindulging, and this

could trigger the heart problems.

Some of the same chemical factors that are thought to trigger morning heart attacks could also be at work. For instance, stress hormones such as adrenalin surge when people get up in the morning, and fighting Monday morning traffic makes the body churn out even more of them.

These hormones prompt the heart to beat faster, the arteries to narrow and the blood pressure to rise. Some believe these changes put stress on fatty buildups in the arteries, increasing the chance they will break and cause a heart attack.

What about the most obvious solution to the Monday heart attack risk — staying home?

"I hate Mondays, too," said Willich. "But you'd just shift the bad day to Tuesday."

CATHOLIC: Church develops new catechism

(From 1A)

cally dissolute, contrary to natural law," and instructs homosexuals to practice chastity.

But in an appeal to tolerance, it adds that since most homosexuals do not willingly choose their lifestyle they "must be welcomed with respect, compassion and delicacy."

"One must avoid all unjust discrimination against them."

The new catechism, a 676-page book that will be the basis of shorter catechisms that are often memorized by Roman Catholic children and adults, renews many orthodox positions. Some of its provisions, including an insistence that only natural contraception is acceptable, are bound to disappoint many of the world's 900 million Catholics.

Some strictly modern items are condemnations of terrorism and hostage-taking, drug abuse and drug-trafficking, and the transplantation of organs against the consent of the donor.

The catechism condemns genetic manipulation to change a baby's sex and says producing human embryos for biological material is "immoral." Artificial insemination or third-party sperm donation are decried because they disassociate sex from procreation.

The document appeared first in French, since that was the working language of the drafting committee. It will appear in Italian and Spanish next month, in English and German next spring and eventually in Latin, the church's official language.

"We have simply tried to take

up the commandments again on how a Christian can conduct his life today," said Jean Honore, bishop of Tours and the catechism's French editor.

Women priests — approved last week by the Church of England — are unacceptable, since Christ's 12 Apostles, whom priests represent, were all males.

The catechism spurred intense debate among the 3,000 bishops who submitted some 24,000 amendments to the six-year project. It is rooted in the Ten Commandments, with some up-to-date twists. The Seventh Commandment — Thou Shalt Not Steal — is interpreted as a call for economic and social justice.

"Any manner of taking and unjustly holding the property of another, even if it does not specifically contradict civil law, is contrary to the Seventh Commandment," the catechism says. Richer nations are urged to welcome poor immigrants, price-gouging and low wages are considered forms of stealing, and the handicapped have a right to work.

Forging checks is sinful, as is badly performed work. Going on strike is a moral right, unless accompanied by violence.

The church's once-sacrosanct stance on private property has been modified to state that the Earth is the heritage of all mankind.

Guidelines on sexual behavior fall broadly under the Sixth Commandment — Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery. Apart from greater tolerance for homosexuals, the catechism broke little new ground. Sexual union outside

marriage remains forbidden.

"Among the sins gravely contrary to chastity, one must cite masturbation, fornication, pornography and homosexual practices," the catechism says. "Adultery and divorce, polygamy and free sexual union are grave offenses to the dignity of marriage."

Under the Fifth Commandment — Thou Shalt Not Kill — the catechism does not rule out a state's right to impose the death penalty. Regarding abortion, the catechism says that "human life must be protected in an absolute manner from the moment of conception."

Basic doctrine — heaven and hell and a tripartite deity comprising father, son and holy spirit — are unchanged.

The catechism encodes the decision by the Vatican II Council in the 1960s absolving Jews of blame for the crucifixion of Jesus, a teaching that spread virulent anti-Semitism.

"We cannot attribute responsibility to all the Jews of Jerusalem, despite the cries of a manipulated crowd," the catechism says. The guilt of Judas and Pilate is "known to God alone."

The last complete overhaul of the catechism was adopted by the Council of Trent in 1566, at a time when the Church was battling Protestantism. Since then, the Catholic flock has spread to the Americas, Africa and Asia.

"This catechism addresses the diversity of the multitude," said Cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger. "It's a world much bigger than was thought of four centuries ago."

The new catechism grew out of

a call in the 1980s from bishops worldwide for uniform guidelines after the radical reforms of the 1960s' Second Vatican Council.

Pope John Paul II said Sunday that the catechism was presented "to help illuminate with the light of faith new situations and problems."

The catechism was unveiled by Lustiger, Honore, Archbishop Joseph Duval of Rouen, president of the French bishops conference, and Louis-Marie Bille, president of the French bishops commission on religious education.

The drafting was directed by a commission of 13 top churchmen headed by Cardinal Josef Ratzinger, considered the church's main guardian of orthodoxy.

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Security Council authorizes naval blockade on Yugoslavia

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The Security Council voted Monday to authorize a naval blockade on the Danube River and the Adriatic coast to tighten economic sanctions on Yugoslavia. It said force could be used to back up the blockade.

The council cited Chapter 7 of the U.N. Charter, which it has previously used to enforce embargoes and bans on international weapons trade with Iraq and Libya.

The resolution prods Bulgaria and Romania to patrol the Danube, which flows along their borders. But it wasn't immediately clear to what extent Western or other governments were willing to get involved in enforcement of the sanctions.

NATO and the European Community's Western European Union each has five frigates along the Adriatic, but they were previously not authorized to inspect vessels.

"I think we should move from surveillance to enforcement," Willem van Eekelen, the Dutch secretary-general of the Western European Union, said in Helsinki earlier in the day.

The vote on the resolution was 13-0, with China and Zimbabwe abstaining because they felt the Serb-led government in Belgrade had no real control over the Bosnian Serbs, whose acts have been most sharply attacked by the international community.

"The Security Council must

adopt firm measures to deal with the problem," said Russian Ambassador Yuli Vorontsov. "Bosnia-Herzegovina has been devastated."

Twenty-seven nations supported the resolution, led by Islamic countries backing the Muslim-led government of Bosnia. They denounced Belgrade for fomenting war, capturing vast territories in Bosnia and Croatia, and driving out non-Serbs in a vicious "ethnic cleansing" campaign.

Serbian forces have occupied about 70 percent of Bosnia. Most of the rest is held by Croat militias, with only Sarajevo and a few other towns still held by the Muslim-led government.

Pakistan, Iran, Afghanistan, Jo-

dan and other Islamic countries wanted the council to lift the arms embargo on Bosnia so it could re-arm and acquire heavy weapons, but the council refused.

Yugoslav Foreign Minister Ilija Djukic said the war in Bosnia is a civil and ethnic war fought by paramilitary groups not controlled by Belgrade, and by foreign mercenaries, Muslims brought in by Islamic nations.

"Sanctions are hitting the most vulnerable part of the population" in Serbia and Montenegro, he said, including more than 300,000 Bosnian refugees.

The resolution's main thrust is to close off loopholes in the economic embargo on Serbia and

Montenegro adopted May 30, and the ban on arms supplies to all the former Yugoslav republics, in force for more than a year.

Until now, ships moving up the Danube have not been boarded and searched. Port authorities merely radio the captain to ask what is in the cargo and where it is bound. After that, on the ship goes, often all the way to Belgrade. Other ships unload at Montenegrin ports on the Adriatic.

Serbia and Montenegro are the remaining republics of Yugoslavia. Bosnia, Croatia, Slovenia and Macedonia withdrew from the federation over the past two years.

A report in Privredni Pregled, a Belgrade business weekly, claimed that up to 20,000 tons of oil and

gasoline have been imported into Yugoslavia on certain days in violation of the embargo.

To discourage smugglers, the resolution bars trans-shipment through Yugoslavia of gasoline, coal, iron, steel, rubber, chemicals, tires, aircraft, and any type of motor, to keep strategic material from reaching Serbian forces.

The sanctions are hurting ordinary Serbians, who suffer from runaway inflation.

The resolution also asked the secretary-general to send observers to check on Croatian and Serbian involvement in the war, and to study the possibility of having peacekeepers establish safe zones for refugees under international protection.

France, Brits argue over EC-U.S. farm subsidies

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Two days before European and American negotiators try to avert a trade war, France quarreled with Britain on Monday over a deal with the United States that reportedly would further cut farm subsidies.

But after three hours of meetings, the agriculture ministers of the European Community urged their negotiators to "go out and make a success" of the EC-U.S. trade talks scheduled for Wednesday in Washington.

British Agriculture Minister John Gummer said the 12 farm ministers called for resolution "as rapidly as possible" with the United States.

The United States claims EC subsidies cost American farmers more than \$1 billion and wants deep subsidy cuts. France, the EC's biggest farm producer, does

not want the bloc to yield to the American demands.

Washington has threatened to impose \$300 million in punitive tariffs on French white wines and other EC products if no deal is reached by Dec. 5. That has raised fears of a trade war that could further weaken the economies on both sides of the Atlantic.

Earlier Monday, French diplomats released a document they said showed EC negotiators would go beyond agreed-upon EC subsidy cuts and let chunks of farm land be idled. They said that was unacceptable to the bloc's 9 million farmers.

But later, diplomats said French Agriculture Minister Jean-Pierre Soisson was isolated in his arguments. "Nobody said, 'Yes, I agree with the French figures,'" said David Curry, Britain's agriculture minister.

In Paris, Dominique Strauss-Kahn, France's foreign trade minister, said, "France doesn't want French farmers who have already suffered from the (EC's) reform to suffer even more."

If a deal is struck with Washington that goes beyond the EC reform package, he said, "those who push us to sign (the accord) will have to bear the consequences."

The French claims raised new tensions among the EC nations as their chief farm negotiator, Ray MacSharry, sought support for a compromise.

MacSharry has insisted any deal with Washington fall within the limits of the reform package of the EC's Common Agricultural Policy farm program agreed to this summer.

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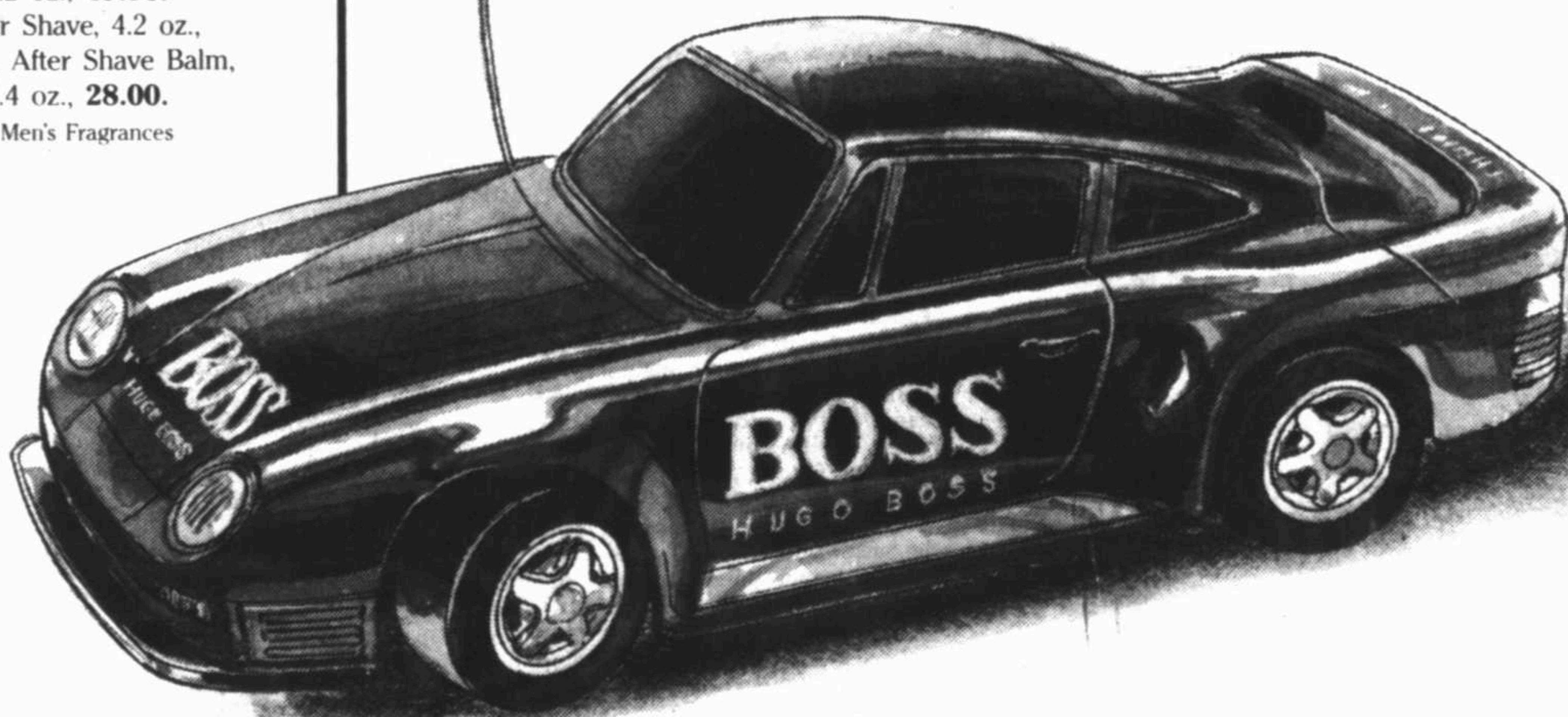
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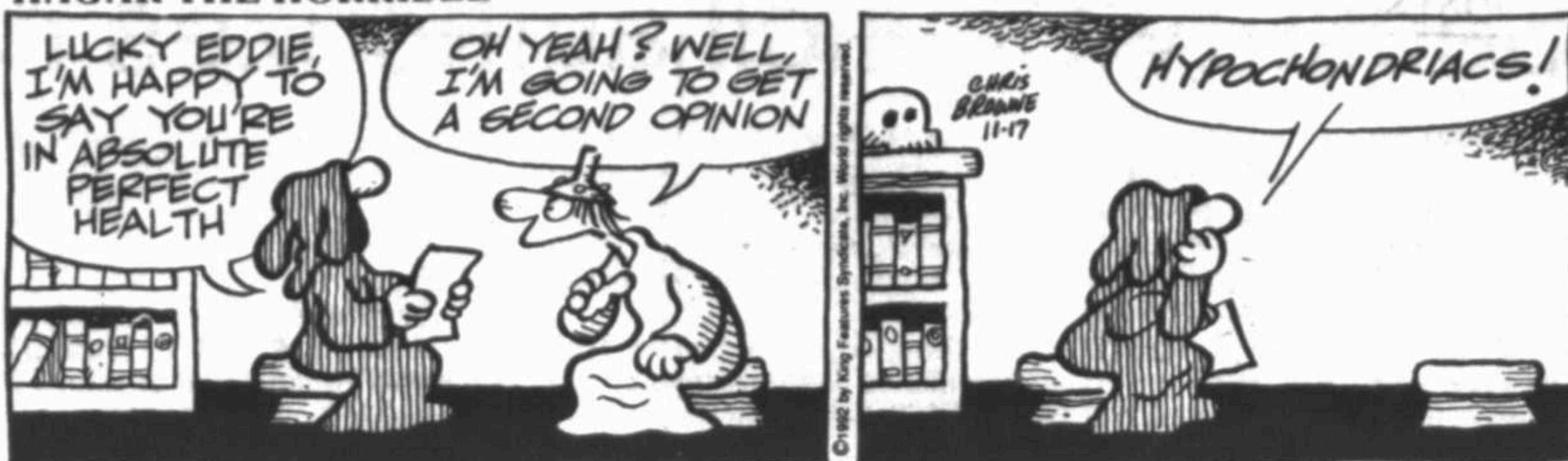
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Your Horoscope

By Jeane Dixon

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1992

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: You are blessed with good luck in both career and financial matters. Beginning next month, set money aside for investment purposes. Your resources will continue to grow throughout 1993. Spend funds to expand your sphere of influence. Next July and August are prime time for vacationing. September will find you back at your desk, plotting an exciting career move. Tried-and-true negotiating methods work best for you next October. Romance blossoms just before Thanksgiving of 1993.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: actress Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio, comedian Peter Cook, model Lauren Hutton, moviemaker Martin Scorsese.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The emphasis today is on being discreet. If you have promised to keep a secret, do so even if tempted to tell your mate. Past financial favors are returned with interest.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A private meeting with an influential person could leave you walking on air. Trust a premonition; you are psychic. Giving romance a second chance shows how sincere you are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Work-related problems could occupy you this morning. Try to take things in stride. You will find solutions to a vexing situation by nightfall. Give children the benefit of the doubt.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): News you get today may seem good but by next week could be a headache. Postpone buying or selling. Fraud is in the air and you will be safest not taking unnecessary risks.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A lack of energy or strength may mean a medical checkup is overdue. Phone now for an appointment. You may be socializing with exciting people this evening.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A romantic mood could prevail even if you have good reason to break off with the one you love. Do not act on impulse. A quiet, candid conversation could turn things around.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Sum up your weaknesses and strengths, then resolve to rid yourself of flaws. A lack of objectivity could impede progress. Listen to other people's views with an open mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Someone could be poisoning the atmosphere at work. Stay away from negative people and focus on solo projects whenever possible. A close relationship needs more of your time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may be on the path to great happiness. A series of changes will improve your life immeasurably. More money comes your way, thanks to family circumstances.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Someone may act aloof today. Go your own way without dwelling on what could be a snobbish attitude. Trying to figure out a difficult person's motives is a waste of your valuable time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A hectic day requires a positive attitude. Doing favors for people will build a reservoir of good will. Work projects go nicely when you take your time.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A problem will take time to solve. Be certain to look at a situation from all angles. Financial concerns are involved. You will have to consult another person.

TODAY'S CHILDREN are as secretive as they are intense and passionate. Their cool, calm demeanor can fool people into thinking that these Scorpios are uncaring or passive. Wise parents will help these youngsters cultivate social relationships at an early age in order to combat their tendency to become loners. Their close friendships will be few but deep.

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WEST
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 ♣ A K Q 10 7 2

SOUTH
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 ♦ A K 2
 ♣ 6 3

The bidding:
 North East South West
 1 ♠ 2 ♠ 2 ♥ Pass
 3 ♥ Pass 4 ♥ Pass
 Pass Pass

Opening lead: Four of ♠

Safety plays at bridge are like insurance—you don't need it until a disaster occurs. That's why they are used only in specific instances in duplicate. More often than not, you cannot afford to give up a trick when the rest of the field will be shooting for the maximum.

North-South reached four hearts in quick time. We feel the East hand is better suited for a weak jump overall, since there is no sure defensive trick outside the club suit.

The defenders took two club tricks, after which East shifted to the queen of diamonds. With no losers except in trumps, how would you

At duplicate, the low percentage that West has all the missing trumps should usually be ignored in favor of cashing the ace of hearts first. That leaves you positioned to pick up four trumps in the East hand without loss, or to finesse that defender for the queen, if you judge the lady is twice guarded. East's intervention, however, indicates you should play safe at duplicate as well. It's very unlikely that East has length in clubs and hearts.

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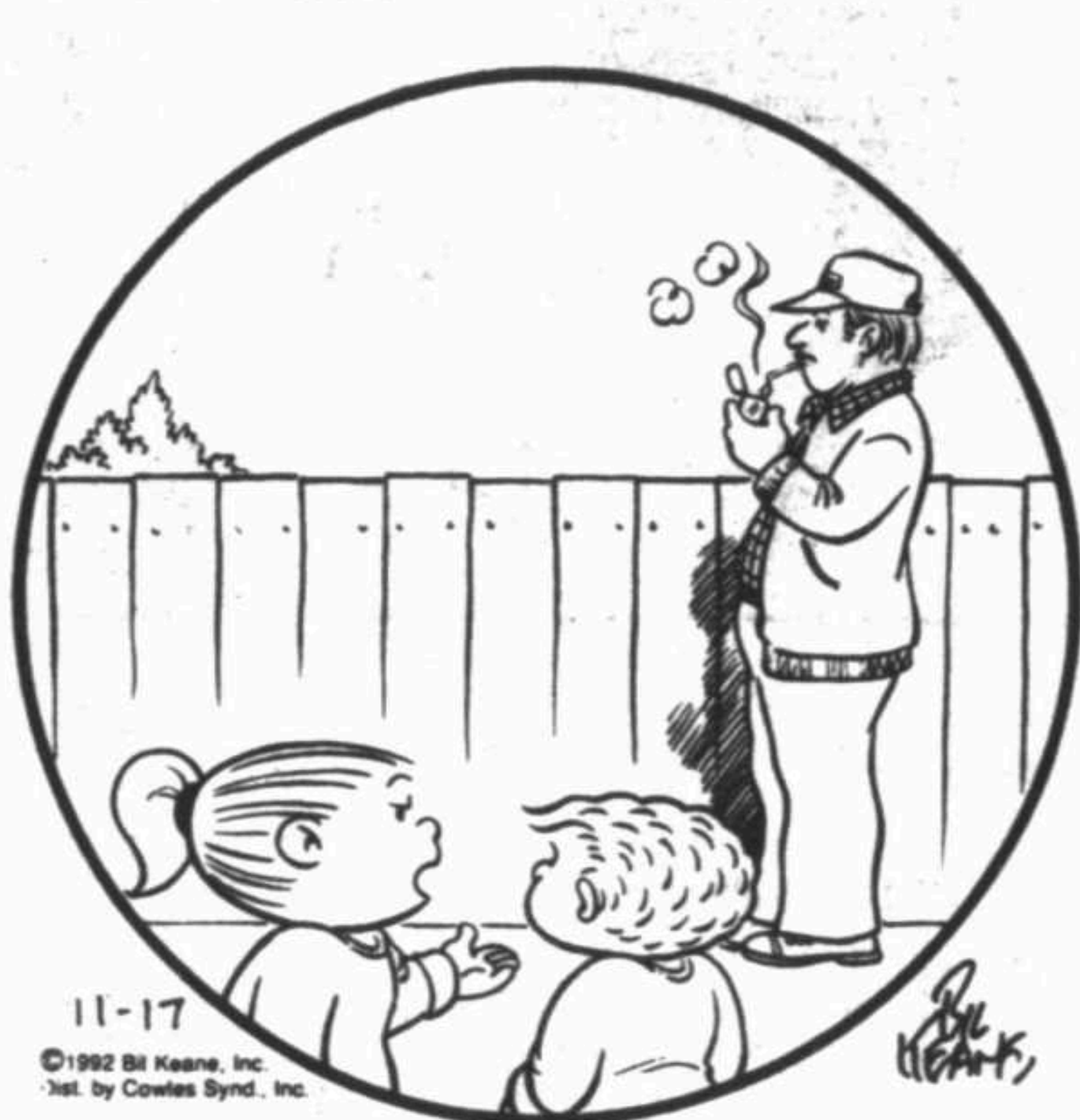
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WGN		10	Designing Women	The Jeffersons	The Delta Force (R, 88) (Chuck Norris, Lee Marvin) 279765				News: Rosenthal, Payne 652949	Night Court	Street Justice 581307	The Elger Sanction			
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President-elect to appear with King every six months

DEWITT, N.Y. — Throw the rules out because "the ballgame is new," said Larry King, defending himself against criticism that he's soft on politicians.

"I've been on the front page of The New York Times over 50 times. We must have asked something right," said the CNN call-in show host. "I don't know what wasn't asked of candidates this year."

During a speech Sunday, he said his show has helped reinvent politics.

"I think we performed a great public service," he said.

President-elect Clinton has promised to appear on "Larry King Live" every six months, King said.

"I would expect that not only will you see the president on frequently, you'll see town halls, you'll see Perot appearing, you'll see the 'Today' show doing longer interviews, you'll see 'Good Morning America' taking phone calls," he said.

SEATTLE — Peg Phillips, the shopkeeper Ruth-Anne on CBS-TV's "Northern Exposure," broke three fingers in a fall while helping with a play at a center for juvenile delinquents.

Phillips, 74, canceled an appearance Sunday at the University of Washington to raise money for scholarships, said Denise Jarrett of the drama department.

She was hurt Saturday night at the Echo Glen Children's Center, a state institution. Phillips slipped while going around a table and caught her right hand in some stacked tables when she tried to break her fall, Jarrett said.

"I saw her fingers. They're just a mess. I would have been incapacitated," Jarrett said. "She was emceeing, running around all over last night, just making things happen."

Phillips and some Echo Glen offenders wrote the play "I Want to Be Me."

Production of "Northern Exposure" probably won't be affected, said Melissa Harold, a Los Angeles publicist for Phillips.

PORT WASHINGTON, Wis. — President-elect Clinton may wear a bit of Wisconsin on Inauguration Day.

The Allen-Edmonds Shoe Corp. received an order to make two pairs of 13-Ds for Clinton by Jan. 20. The request came from Don Perkey's Shoes in Paragould, Ark. That's where Clinton has long bought his shoes.

The latest order included a pair of black calfskin plain toe tie models called the Belgium. They cost \$230. Clinton also ordered

the Spencer, a black patent leather tie, at a price of \$220.

NEW YORK — Jane Seymour pays her third former husband \$10,000 a month in alimony, but she still considers him a friend.

"If my husband felt he needed alimony, then he deserved it," the actress said in the December McCall's magazine. "Of course, if I were him I would have never taken it."

Seymour and David Flynn, her business manager and a real estate developer, were divorced last spring. She said she agreed to pay the money instead of fighting it because: "We had to go through the misery of a public divorce. It has been incredibly hard. I didn't want to go to court because I felt the slander in the press was bad enough."

Despite the divorce, she said, she doesn't consider her relationship with Flynn over. "It's just different," she says. "I now consider David my friend and my co-parent."

They have two children, Katie, 10, and Sean, 7.

NEW YORK — Julia Louis-Dreyfus said she doesn't just play Elaine on television's "Seinfeld." She is Elaine.

The character is "very much like myself, times 150," Louis-Dreyfus, 31, said in this week's People magazine. "She's a fairly stable, high-strung woman who's independent but a little confused about where she's going."

She was the only female member of an improvisation troupe at Northwestern University and one of the few women during her three seasons on "Saturday Night Live."

VENTURA, Calif. — Singer Rickie Lee Jones lost a round in her divorce battle when a judge ruled she and Pascal Nabet were together as husband and wife 15 months longer than she thought.

The ruling Friday by Superior Court Judge William Peck means Nabet is entitled to a greater portion of their community property, including royalties from the singer's "Flying Cowboys" album and tour in 1990.

The amount of money involved wasn't disclosed.

The judge fixed the date of separation at the end of September 1991, instead of May 1990, the date insisted on by Miss Jones.

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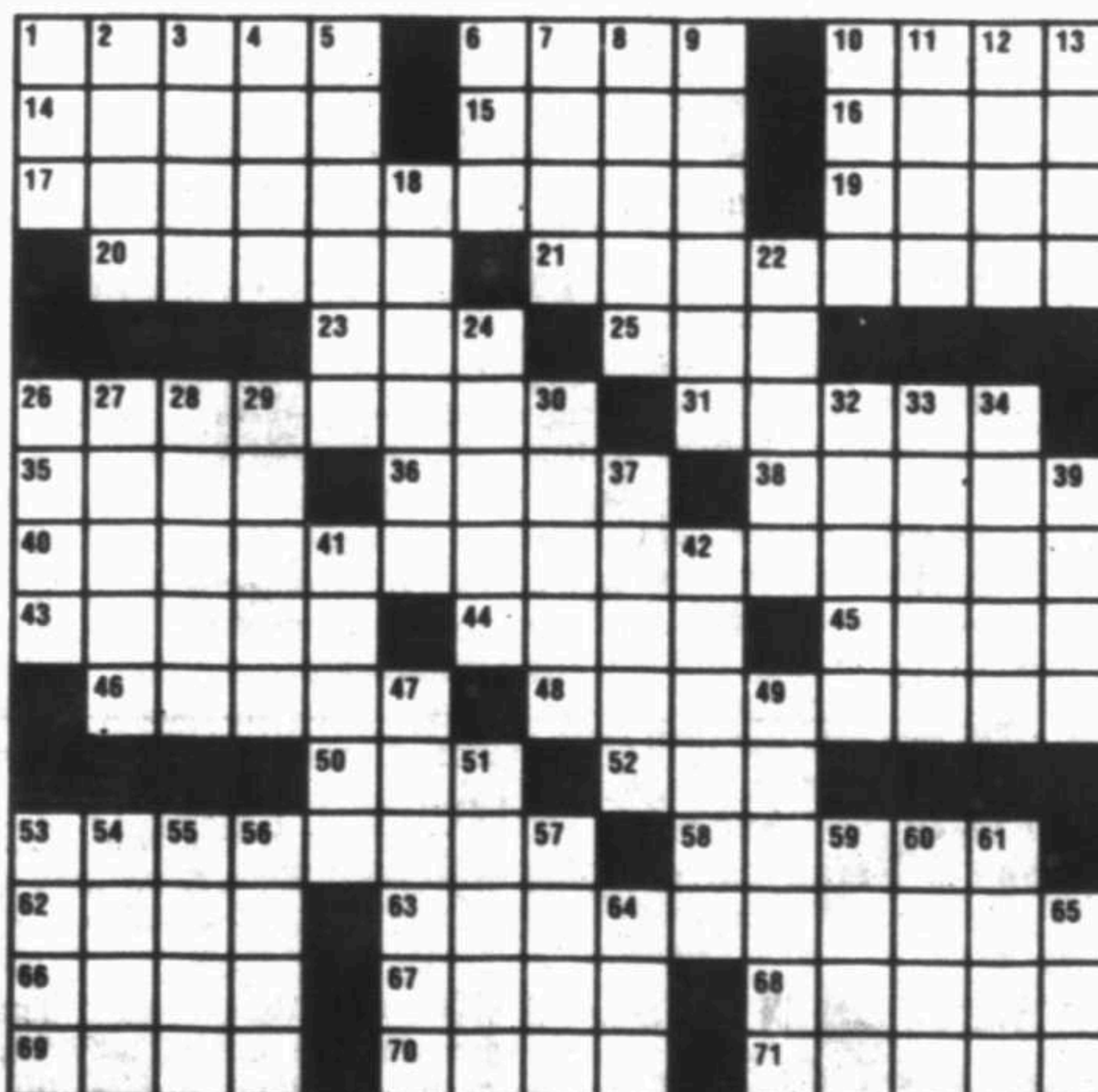
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Cisneros in Cabinet might bolster Clinton

It's always interesting when a new administration is heading for Washington, D.C. to see who is being considered for the new president's Cabinet, who's waiting in the wings, and who will have the president's ear on vital issues affecting the future of the nation and the world.

One of the individuals well known in Texas who will likely be considered for a position in the administration of Bill Clinton is former San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros. It was no real surprise when Cisneros was named along with Vernon Jordan, Warren Christopher, and others to Clinton's transition team. In fact, prior to 1988, when he experienced a marital crisis sparked by an affair with a campaign supporter, Cisneros was the up-and-coming political superstar in Texas. Clinton could do far worse than to name someone of Cisneros' political savvy to his Cabinet.

While it's true that Cisneros' personal problems slowed his rising political star, he seems to have recovered almost completely from them. His wife, who

had filed for divorce after Cisneros' affair with the campaign supporter became apparent, withdrew her divorce petition a year ago. And in the years since his problem side-tracked his political career, Cisneros has been quietly mending his political bridges and making new ones. That was a good and wise approach.

During the years prior to 1988, when Henry Cisneros' name was synonymous with political expertise, he seemed to be Texas' next political superstar. He even had developed an image as a political moderate and was considered one of the new wave of Democrat officeholders expected to lead the party into the 21st century.

Now Cisneros obviously will get a rare second chance. That's good, provided he continues to avoid scandalous activity. We'd like to see more moderation on the part of the Democrats and Cisneros conceivably could give the Clinton administration exactly that — along with an important tie to Texas.

LETTERS

One Southwest flight was unprofessional

My wife and I want to write about a very unusual experience we just had this afternoon (Nov. 8), something that concerns us very much. We just got home from Albuquerque, N.M. on Southwest Airlines Flight 962 and what an unusual ride it was. We have flown many times, especially on Southwest Airlines, and in every case the flights — reservations, ground crew, flight attendants — were all very smooth and professional. This afternoon's flight was exceptional.

As we left the runway in Albuquerque, the plane left the ground, came back down, bumped the runway, and bounced into the air. As we descended into Midland, the pilot announced an early arrival. As we descended, the pressure on the ears of the passengers was very significant. My wife and I have been on the ground now two hours and we can hardly hear. As we descended, the pressure was quite painful. My wife and I chewed gum, coughed, yawned. Nothing helped. One of the two gentlemen sitting in front of me with a cowboy hat on held his hands over his ears. A lady sitting across the aisle and forward one seat held her hands over her ears, cried out, and turned around to say something to the two men in front of me. The teen-aged boy sitting in front of the lady, and riding facing her, covered both his ears, chewed his gum, and grimaced in pain. My wife and I assume the pilot descended too quickly and/or the pressure regulator in the cabin malfunctioned.

As we were leaving the plane through the exit door, I asked a corpulent male employee the name of the pilot. He asked, "Why?" and so I explained the experience and how I felt the flight was unusually unprofessional. The Southwest Airlines employee said, "I disagree." What a lack of concern. This isn't Southwest Airlines! Orand & Karen Carroll Midland

Clinton election brings flashbacks of Carter

This day I know I'm one of many Americans who feel they have just witnessed the be-

ginning of the end of our beloved U.S.A.

Today, I feel that every American who has proudly gone to war to serve, fight, and give their lives have all been spit on.

Everything that we, who are patriotic, have been made a laughingstock today.

May God help us when an open adulterer and a draft-dodger can sit in the seat of the highest office in this country, and speak of family values. This man who is trying to decide when his 12-year-old daughter should start watching "R" rated movies. This is family values?

I remember a president who was elected in 1976 who consulted his 12-year-old daughter on what he should do about our hostages in Iran. God help us.

How soon we forget the 20 percent prime interest rates. The taxes were raised so much and so fast there was no way to keep up with the mountain we have incurred because of a president exactly like the one just elected.

Well, Bill Clinton, what are you going to do when Hussian comes up against you? America, it's time to hit our knees.

Geneva Giles
Midland

State is looking for a few good mothers

Recently in the classified section of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, the state employment agency advertised for a child monitor. The job description was as follows: "Attend children at a private home; supervise and monitor activities of children; drive children to and from school; prepare and serve meals to children; bathe and dress children; wash, mend and iron clothing; take children on walks or outings; keep children's quarters and home clean and orderly. Must be willing to work overtime, if necessary."

A child monitor? Please! That has to be a name only Hillary Clinton could truly love. Personally, I prefer the "old-fashioned" term — mother.

Susan Courtney
Midland

WILLIAM MURCHISON

Homosexuals claim 'rights' in military

The military — whose call Bill Clinton conspicuously spurned in the 1980s — can't be greatly surprised when the commander in chief-elect discloses plans to incorporate homosexuals into its ranks.

The election is over, the inauguration impends. The time for presenting bills has come. Here's the homosexual-rights lobby's invoice.

Top military officers, starting with Gen. Colin Powell, don't want the homosexual ban lifted, for reasons of order and discipline, but that's not the point where Clinton is concerned. The point is accommodating a num-



Murchison

ous, active, well-heeled and ever-more-clamorous element of the Democratic constituency.

The Clinton victory on Nov. 3 comes near guaranteeing homosexuals that social and political legitimacy toward which they have aspired. The military ban will go — though only after consultation with military officials, Clinton promises. The administration will have an AIDS advocate of some sort. (No cancer or heart advocates, last time I checked.) At a minimum, no one in the Clinton administration is going to hurt homosexuals' feelings deliberately.

The U.S. military becomes an unwilling pawn in this power game. The imperatives of order and discipline, cited by the likes of Powell, don't seem so imperative, weighed against the need to deliver on promises to constituents.

True, homosexuality in military ranks isn't

exactly an innovation or, in every circumstance, a hindrance to success. I believe it was Lord Nelson who said that the Royal Navy was sustained by rum, sodomy and the lash.

Well, at least they called it sodomy. No one back then pretended that homosexuality was just a lifestyle choice: no better, no worse than any other; as morally neutral as a birthmark.

The homosexual-rights lobby today takes a very different view of things. It demands validation. This means all doors must swing wide open, so that members of the lobby may enter at will. A ban on homosexual soldiering is, to the lobby, mere job discrimination. Away with it!

Bill Clinton finds such a demand easy to comply with, in part because he never wore a uniform. He doesn't know the military. What is often referred to as the military's non-homosexual "tradition" — as if it had no more moral standing than a school fight song or squash casserole at Thanksgiving — makes sense in terms of instilling unit cohesiveness. Unwanted sexual attentions from a barracks mate or mates don't build the kind of community spirit on which military effectiveness depends. "It is difficult," says Gen. Powell, "in a military setting where there is no privacy, where you don't get choice of association, where you don't get choice of where you live, to introduce a group of individuals who are proud, brave, loyal, good Americans but who favor a homosexual lifestyle." Don't forget that the service is an authority structure. The possibilities for abusing authority in quest of sexual dominance are endless.

Odd and disturbing things go on in late 20th century America. We the people put our various institutions at the service of sub-groups with gnawing anxieties — racial, sexual, whatever kind. The functioning of the institution — even one so essential as the military — becomes secondary to the massaging of those anxieties. This is as true of the outcry to open up military combat roles to women as it is true of the agitation to allow uniformed homosexuals.

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CHARLEY REESE

Where you find a bigot, you'll find ignorance

I'm sure you remember how you felt when you saw on television the Berlin Wall come down and the Germans of the East and West, that old dividing line of the Cold War, hugging and dancing in joy.

Did you know that Ali, a merchant in an Arab shoe market, and millions like him were also watching? Did you know he went around for days saying, "Allah! The Germans feel just like us. They love their poorer brothers and are freeing them."

A fish merchant in Morocco left his customer to watch the capture of Nicolae Ceausescu, the Romanian tyrant, on a TV set in a neighboring shop and when the customer complained, he said, "I had the choice between serving you, which would have brought me forty dirhams (five dollars) and watching the apocalypse. Don't you see there is no comparison? Who would choose forty dirhams? I am illiterate, Madame, but I



Reese

can sense, just like you who are probably covered with diplomats, that history has come to a turning point."

Ali bought a black and white TV "just to see the world." Then the Gulf War came and he sold it and gave the money to the Red Crescent — the Islamic world's version of the Red Cross.

"It was the combination of the two events — witnessing the birth of democracy in East Europe and then seeing the democratic countries, like colonialists of old, pour death and fire onto an Arab country that stunned the people in the Islamic world and Third World countries in general.

This insight and quote is from a marvelous little book, "Islam and Democracy" by Fatima Mernissi (Addison-Wesley Publishing Company). This is not a puffy little journalism book. The woman is an intellectual, a professor in Rabat, Morocco, but she provides an invaluable insight into a world into which we are already intertwined yet largely ignorant of.

Even the idea of an Arab feminist intellectual will shock some people. Even an Arab male intellectual. To many Americans, the Arab world is a desert with camel-herders and rich,

greedy oil billionaires with a few cities, like Cairo, swarming with an undistinguishable mass of Moslems muttering an indecipherable language.

It does not occur to them that those people, like us, have a literature, have philosophers, have intellectuals, have feminists, have various political movements, have yearnings for freedom and prosperity, have a proud history of intellectual and scientific accomplishments, are as fascinated by events in Europe as we are, are striving as we are to find meaning in this mystery we call life.

Wherever you find a bigot, you will find ignorance. All too often you will find a mind with its own Berlin Wall encircling it.

The story in Genesis has meaning for us still. It was eating of the tree of knowledge that lost Paradise for Adam and Eve. Ignorance is a kind of paradise, for it relieves us of the burden of thinking and of acting responsibly. It takes courage to walk out of the gates of ignorance into the light of knowledge. But it is an act worthy of a human being.

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LEWIS GRIZZARD

No end in sight for Southern stereotyping

Southern readers recently have flooded me with copies of articles written in Northern newspapers concerning Atlanta and the Olympics, the Braves in the World Series, the tomahawk chop and the fact Ted Turner and wife Jane Fonda dozed off during one of the Braves playoff games against the Pirates.

Much of it is the same old tripe, with the worn references to Bubba, the Southern accent, Gen. Sherman and Peticoat Junction. There even was a reference to me, saying I was a cross between Buck Owens and David Letterman. It could have been worse. They could have called me a cross between Boxcar Willie and Pat Sajak.

I continue to protest such stereotypical references to the land I love, and it's interesting a Northern transplant to Atlanta compared me in a letter to the editor to David Duke as a spreader of geographical hatred.

So what does that make Twin Cities columnist Nick Coleman, who wrote, "Somebody has made off with these people's (Atlantans') brains."

Sadly the Chicago Tribune's Mike Royko fell victim to all this, as well. The reason I use the word "sadly" is that Mike Royko is my idol. I consider him to be the best newspaper columnist in America.

I've never met Mike Royko, but I did have the pleasure of reading him the three years I lived in Chicago, and I still search for his syndicated column when I travel.

Royko is hilarious. He is inventive. He can take out your appendix with a broken beer bottle. He took offense to the instance of Ted and Jane going to sleep in Ted's private box at Atlanta Fulton County Stadium.

"True baseball fans stay awake, even the drunks," he wrote. "So these two snoozers

don't deserve a world champion team." He wasn't through.

"Nor do the fans in Atlanta with their Indian tomahawk chop and the terrible noise they make, like a giant herd of pregnant moocows."

I could have lived with most of that, especially the part about Ted and Jane going to sleep during a playoff game. What I have against Ted Turner is he married Hanoi Jane, and what I have against her isn't going to get in this column.

But then Royko takes off on the Southern accent with a trite explanation of how we say "snowin'" instead of "snoring" and "mow" instead of "mouth."

He also makes fun of the way the Puerto Ricans pronounce "Blue Jay," and one wonders where all the politically correct editors in Chicago have gone.

Mike Royko is better than all that. He must have tarried too long at Billy Goat's Tavern.

I also received a clip from USA Today. Somebody named Taylor Buckley was perplexed about golf being considered for the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympics as a "signature" event.

Writes he, "Why not 'signature' in these games with a genuine Bubba sport? Like a monster-truck tug-of-war, complete with Confederate flags, gun racks and trucks named 'Dixie Dawg Kicker' and 'Roadkill Rebel.'"

Those readers who took offense to all this asked me to write a rebuttal.

I've got a better idea: Let's win the World Series next time, put on a marvelous 1996 Summer Olympics, and if you're traveling through the North and see a state flag, turn it upside down.

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A farm family's tragedy with loss of daughters

QUAKER CITY, Ohio (AP) — Christopher Kuhns hugs his 7-year-old daughter, Krystal, as if to never let go. He will never hold 2-year-old Michelle or little Melissa in his arms again.

On Nov. 3, he helplessly chased a car carrying his two younger daughters as it crashed through a fence, rolled down a hill and plunged into a pond on the family's farm.

He had parked the car and turned off the engine before getting out, but one of the girls apparently turned the ignition key and put the car into gear.

Broken strands of barbed wire still dangle from the fence posts. Kuhns, 36, and his wife, Robin, 33, now try to come to grips with the loss.

"How we're getting through this is our faith in God and knowing that our babies are little angels," said Mrs. Kuhns. "When God takes little innocent children, we know they're angels."

"My arms feel so empty," she said, her grief welling up into tears.

But Mrs. Kuhns' eyes light up when she talks about her blond-haired, blue-eyed daughters.

She described Michelle as a "little spitfire" who often ran out of the house naked to greet her.

Melissa, whose first birthday would have been the day after the

accident, was just starting to walk and was beginning to follow Michelle's mischievous ways.

"We often laugh and say, 'Right now Michelle's got Melissa into all sorts of trouble up in heaven,'" she said.

Mrs. Kuhns said she and her husband believe it was time for God to take the girls, for whatever reason.

"He wanted our babies that day because somehow those two little babies were able to turn an ignition and a gear," she said. "Somehow that car was able to go down and avoid big trees that would have stopped it. It made a perfect path to the pond. He wanted them, and he wanted them then."

The Kuhns came to this rolling eastern Ohio farm country in 1983 from the Akron suburb of Cuyahoga Falls to build a life on the 45-acre farm.

Mrs. Kuhns got a job at John Glenn High School in New Concord teaching developmentally disabled children. Her husband stayed home with the children, raising cattle and fixing up the house.

On Nov. 3, Kuhns dropped Krystal off at the school bus stop and was driving the twisting, gravel road back to the farmhouse with Michelle and Melissa when he stopped on the sloping drive to feed cows by the fence.

Mrs. Kuhns said her husband turned the car off and put the transmission into park. While he was feeding the cows, he heard a click and saw the car move.

"You can never underestimate what a kid can do," said Kuhns. "If an adult can do it, they can do it."

He was unable to catch up with the car before it rolled into the pond.

"I swam out there and tried to open the doors, but they wouldn't open," he said. Kuhns then ran up to the farmhouse and called for help.

Sheriff Landon Smith said that when he and a rescue squad arrived, the car was submerged.

Mrs. Kuhns, who was at school,

was told there had been an accident at home. She said she feared the worst when she reached the farm.

"I just knew, and my heart started sinking," said Mrs. Kuhns, breaking down into tears. "I pulled in and asked where my babies were. And he said they're in the water."

Rescuers found the car in 10 feet of water. Divers went in but were unable to open the doors.

By the time a tow truck pulled the car out, the girls had been submerged about 90 minutes.

After frantic efforts to try to resuscitate them, they were flown to separate hospitals where they were declared dead.

U.S. considers selling spy satellite to Arabs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is considering selling a spy satellite to the United Arab Emirates but is sharply divided over the top-secret deal, administration officials said Monday.

If approved, it would be the first known sale of a high-resolution reconnaissance satellite to another country. It could open the way for purchases of such high-technology systems by other nations, endangering U.S. allies and possibly spying on the United States, too.

One defense contractor, Litton Itek Optical Systems of Lexington, Mass., has already requested an export license for the satellite system, said two administration officials who spoke on condition of anonymity.

A company spokesman declined comment.

Export licenses of such sensitive items must be reviewed by several

government agencies.

But since the license was requested at the start of the year, the intelligence agencies and Defense Department generally opposed the sale, said one official.

Some State Department officials support the sale, although an official decision about the department's position has not been made, he said.

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■ Chocolatier's designs are safe, jury says

PHILADELPHIA — When chocolatier Rena Pocrass saw a competitor selling copies of her seashell-shaped chocolate dessert container she was, well, shell-shocked.

This was her creation, the one she designed for a Nancy Reagan luncheon in 1986. She claimed copyright infringement and won in court, stirring up that culinary question: When does food become art?

A jury in federal court earlier this month decided that Presidential Confections Inc. of Norristown infringed on the copyright of Chocolates a la Carte of Sylmar, Calif.

The California company's specialty is thin molded containers made of high-quality French chocolate, dark or white, used in classy restaurants to hold mousse, fruit or ice cream.

They have 350 designs, including a saxophone for a Bill Clinton fund-raiser, and they're all copyrighted.

The confection that ended up as courtroom evidence was in the familiar spiral shape of a nautilus shell. Pocrass added some markings, widened the opening and flattened one side so it would stand up.

After the jury determined that the copyright had been violated, the plaintiffs asked the judge for an injunction against Presidential and damages of up to \$100,000. Presidential Confections' attorney, Joseph Gontram, said he plans an appeal.

Said Pocrass: "Food is art. It's not a Hershey bar on the plate."

■ Crews demolish Dahmer's apartment

MILWAUKEE — Wreckers on Monday began demolishing the apartment building where Jeffrey Dahmer killed and dismembered many of his 17 victims.

Grass and flowers will be planted on the site after the 49-unit Oxford apartment complex is torn down, said the building's owner, Campus Circle Project.

Only 15 apartments were occupied in August and Campus Circle offered to help relocate the occupants. Campus Circle, made up of business and community leaders, is working to revitalize the neighborhood.

Dahmer, 32, has been convicted in 15 slayings in the Milwaukee area and a 1978 killing in Ohio. He wasn't charged in another Milwaukee case because of a lack of evidence.

He is serving 15 consecutive life terms in a Wisconsin prison.

■ 25 Conoco workers treated for phenol

PONCA CITY, Okla. — Twenty-five contract workers at a Conoco refinery were treated as a precaution Monday after vapors leaked from a petroleum-based solvent tank.

None of the workers was admitted to St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, a hospital spokesman said.

Conoco said it detected the leak of the toxic chemical phenol about 9 a.m. and notified its employees to stay in the building or seek shelter. That order was lifted by 10:40 a.m.

Mobile air monitoring units began testing the air along the perimeter of the Conoco site, but spokeswoman Sue Clark said no harmful quantities of the vapor, which she described as "antiseptic-smelling," had moved off site.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Four Detroit officers charged in beating

DETROIT (AP) — Two police officers were charged Monday with murder and one with manslaughter in the beating death of a black motorist, a case that drew parallels with the Rodney King confrontation in Los Angeles.

A fourth officer was charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm. Three other officers who also had been suspended after the Nov. 5 beating of Malice Green were not charged.

Green, 35, died of head injuries after being beaten on an inner-city street near a suspected drug house.

"I feel justice is done... I think they handled it very well," said the victim's father, Jessie Green Jr. He had urged calm in the days after his son's death.

"He's dead, and any charges aren't going to bring him back. I got to live on."

Three of the officers charged, including the two charged with murder, are white. The one charged with manslaughter is black.

While the beating of an unarmed motorist drew parallels to the videotaped beating of King and the rioting that followed the acquittal of officers in that case, NAACP officials have said the Detroit case was different.

They credited quick action by Police Chief Stanley Knox in suspending the officers alleg-

edly involved. And Mayor Coleman Young publicly denounced the beating. Knox and Young are black.

Knox has said he did not believe the beating was racially motivated, and Wayne County Prosecutor John D. O'Hair said Monday no racial epithets were used during shouting that witnesses said was going on during the beating.

But, "what was in their minds is hard to tell," he said.

Fifty-eight percent of the 3,850-member force is black in a city that is 75 percent black.

Knox had suspended seven officers Nov. 6, a day after Green's death. O'Hair said there was not enough evidence to charge the three other officers. Those officers remain on indefinite suspension, police Sgt. Christopher Buck said Monday.

Jack Gravelly, NAACP national director of special projects, said quick action by Detroit officials helped defuse the tension.

"What is different in Detroit is the leadership," Gravelly said. "When we compare what happened in Detroit with what happened on the other coast, it does make a difference. Without it, this city probably would still be burning at its walls today."

While the four officers were being ar-

rained, about a dozen people demonstrated at the site of the beating.

The Rev. Edward Collins of God's Word Tabernacle said he thinks the charges are too lenient. But he urged calm.

"We're not looking for violence," he told the demonstrators. "We're not burning our businesses. We're not burning our stores."

O'Hair refused to give details of the beating. Witnesses have said it occurred after Green and police argued when he dropped off a passenger near the suspected drug house, and that Green refused to open his clenched hand.

Undercover officers Larry Nevers and Walter Budzyn were charged with second-degree murder. They could get life in prison if convicted.

Sgt. Freddie Douglas was charged with involuntary manslaughter, which carries a maximum 15-year sentence, and willful neglect of duty, punishable by a year. The ranking officer on the scene, he was accused of failing to try to stop the beating.

Officer Robert Lessnau was charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm, punishable by 10 years in prison.

Budzyn and Nevers were freed on \$100,000 bond each, Douglas on \$25,000 and Lessnau on \$10,000. A hearing was set for Dec. 14.

Teen condom use higher, report says

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's teen pregnancy rate remained level throughout the 1980s while the use of condoms by adolescents increased, the Public Health Service said Monday.

Sexual activity among white women between the ages of 15 and 19 also increased sharply, according to a health service report on trends in pregnancies and pregnancy rates across a nine-year span.

The number of teen pregnancies hit an all-time high of 6.3 million in 1988, but there was little change in the pregnancy rate for the decade as a whole, the report said. The number of abortions remained level through the 1980s, at

about 1.6 million annually.

The report was the latest in a series on pregnancy that the government has issued every five or six years since the mid-1960s.

"This is the most comprehensive package we can put together on pregnancy rates on a national basis," said William Mosher, a statistician with the National Center for Health Statistics who co-authored the report.

The study was based on birth certificates and interviews with 8,000 women that took place in 1988. Information on abortion also was obtained from the Alan Guttmacher Institute and the Centers for Disease Control abortion reporting system.

The survey found that between 1980 and 1988 white teen girls who had premarital sex rose from 41 percent to 51 percent. But among white teens, condom use at first intercourse increased from 28 percent to 45 percent.

The pregnancy rate among all other groups of teens also remained stable at 184 out of each 1,000. Among these teens, sexual activity remained level at about 59 percent.

The study did not attempt to determine why condom use has increased among white teens, although some researchers have attributed it to progress in efforts to warn adolescents about the AIDS epidemic.

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By Myra Lee
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INTRODUCING ...

Highlights educates, entertains children

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff writer

"I'll break my staff. Bury it certain fathoms in the earth and deeper than ever plummet sound, I'll drown my book," shouted Tom White, bounding around the room and bringing his hands together to snap the imaginary staff.

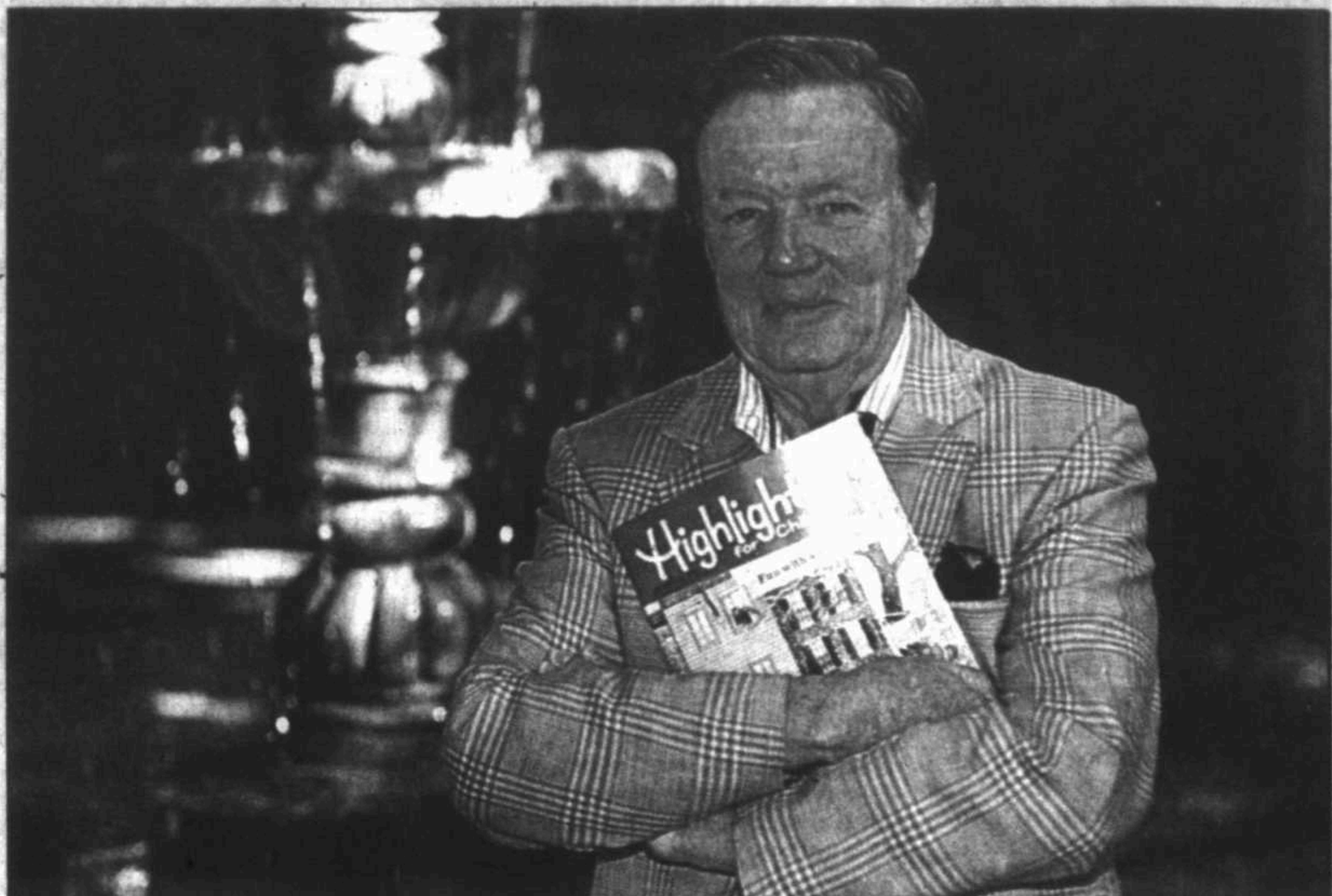
"How's that for words? It's from Prospero in the Tempest," White said to a classroom of students at Trinity School recently.

White, senior editor of "Highlights for Children" magazine, fails to list his skills as an accomplished orator among his many achievements.

But for 45 minutes, the editor held center stage in the school's library. He spoke with German and Jewish accents, transformed himself into a character in a Shakespeare tragedy and discoursed on everything from the horrors and necessity of modern technology to the "thirst for media" in the 19th century.

"Everything depends on writers every day," he said. "Everything you see on TV depends on writers, everything. No fools need be apply!" he shouted, pounding a fist on a desk for emphasis.

A former New Englander, White moved to Odessa three



Tom White, the senior editor of "Highlights for Children" magazine, promotes the written word and encourages youngsters to be writers and thinkers.

years ago to be near his second wife's mother. "That, and I had a taste for wide open spaces and flatlands, said White who avowed a love for reading about the Old West in Louis L'Amour novels.

The WWII veteran said he sold real estate on Cape Cod before becoming a public relations person in the late 1950s and working for magazines in the 1960s. "I was also a reporter and editor of the daily Times Herald Record in Middletown, N.Y., and editor of the twice weekly Sullivan County Record in New York."

White said at one time he ex-

pected to become a teacher, an architect or an engineer. His own son, from his first marriage, works for the Wall Street Journal.

Enthralled with "the promise of youth," he turned his literary talents to entertaining and educating children when he joined the staff of "Highlights for Children" magazine.

White said he takes the mission statement of the magazine to heart, which states in part, "... children are the world's most important people."

The editor said "Highlights" teaches morality lessons, not unlike biblical lessons.

"It has been said that literature is the religion of tomorrow. I don't agree with that," he said.

White advised aspiring writers at Trinity that reading the Bible and Shakespearean works will offer a firm foundation for understanding literature and life.

"The Bible and Shakespeare are the two things every English-speaking writer needs to know about," he said.

He works from an Odessa office in his home. A fax (facsimile) machine, a computer and

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Group seeks new director

■ Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce searches for replacement for former executive's position.

By Mella McEwen
Staff writer

With the resignation of Elvia Hernandez as executive director of the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the search is on for her replacement.

At a press conference Monday, MHCC president Tony Valadez said a five-member committee has been formed and has already begun the task of finding a new director.

"It might take 45 days; it might take 60 days; it might take six months, I just don't know," he said, adding the committee will "take its time and make sure the person we bring on is the right one for the job."

Ms. Hernandez, who has been executive director of the chamber since 1986, is leaving to return to her hometown of El Paso. She said she plans to start Tigress Enterprises, her own consulting and public relations firm and intends to help with special events and fundraisers. She added that she also plans to go on the speaker circuit.

She promised she would not lose touch with what is going on in Midland and Odessa and that, with two grandchildren living in Midland, she will continue to make trips to the area.

She said she has always

dreamed of owning her own business, and she has been planning to return to El Paso for the past year, getting her inspiration from the entrepreneurs who would come into the chamber offices for assistance in getting their businesses started.

She recalled her arrival in Midland in July 1986. She was introduced to the Hispanic Chamber by her son's insurance agent at the same time the chamber had decided to hire an executive director.

"I saw in Midland a dedicated group of Hispanics ready to do lots of things, ready to open lots of doors," she said.

After she received the job, she recalled her first office, a 10 foot by 10 foot room with a borrowed desk and a borrowed typewriter. Today the chamber is housed in its own building and has developed a number of programs to foster education and entrepreneurship in the minority community.

Both Ms. Hernandez and Valadez expressed confidence that the chamber would continue to grow after her departure, and that projects she has implemented will be carried out.

Ms. Hernandez said her two proudest achievements during her time at the chamber are starting the Women's Department and the Mex-Tex Menudo Cook-off. For his part, Valadez praised her for "establishing the chamber as a viable entity, one to be listened to by other organizations."

Ms. Hernandez will leave at the end of the year.

Angels Stadium shapes up in off-season for opening day

By Darren J. Waggoner
Staff writer

For the third straight year, off-season improvements at Angels Stadium will give the park a new look by opening day.

City park employees are currently resurfacing the asphalt concourse, between the bleachers and the concession stand area, with concrete and replacing old water

lines.

"Mostly we're looking at cosmetic-type changes," said Midland Angels General Manager Monty Hoppel. "There are chuckholes on the concourse and it doesn't drain properly either. It's just not a good look."

Hoppel said the concrete surface will be smoother and easier to clean.

"And it will be much more ap-

pealing. Everything is to benefit and please the fans," Hoppel said. "The city is proud of this team and they recognize and, I believe, want the team here for a long time. This work will help us settle in."

The city is also considering construction bids for a new visitor's clubhouse and an umpire's room to be built behind the stands on the first base side.

Currently, visiting teams and

the umpires are housed under the same roof as the home team. When the new facilities are built, workers will remodel the home team clubhouse.

"These are part of new standards established by Major League Baseball telling us the clubhouse's have to be a certain size ... to make sure the parks are in great shape," Hoppel said.

The renovations, part of the fi-

nal phase of a three-year plan to upgrade the stadium's condition, will cost the city \$200,000 and at least another \$150,000 in labor costs.

"But we're doing it in-house, which keeps that cost down significantly," said George Logan, director of Community Services. "And those guys are doing a super job with higher quality work and cheaper labor."

Last year the stadium received a massive facelift. Workers installed 1,000 additional seats, enlarged picnic areas and doubled the number of restrooms.

And in the 1990-91 off-season, workers revamped the parking lot, improved the sound system and installed new stadium lights.

Those improvements cost the city a total of \$400,000.

Association's president speaks against APPAC

By Katherine Poteet
Staff writer

Opposition to state-mandated comprehensive sex education was the topic of a meeting sponsored by the Permian Basin Eagle Forum Monday.

Jeff Fisher, president of the American Family Association of Texas, spoke to the crowd of approximately 200 residents about his recent trip to the Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenthood Advisory Council's (APPAC) Summit meeting.

"It is a simple abuse of power," he said. "APPAC has methodically formulated an attack on your children and mine. They want state-

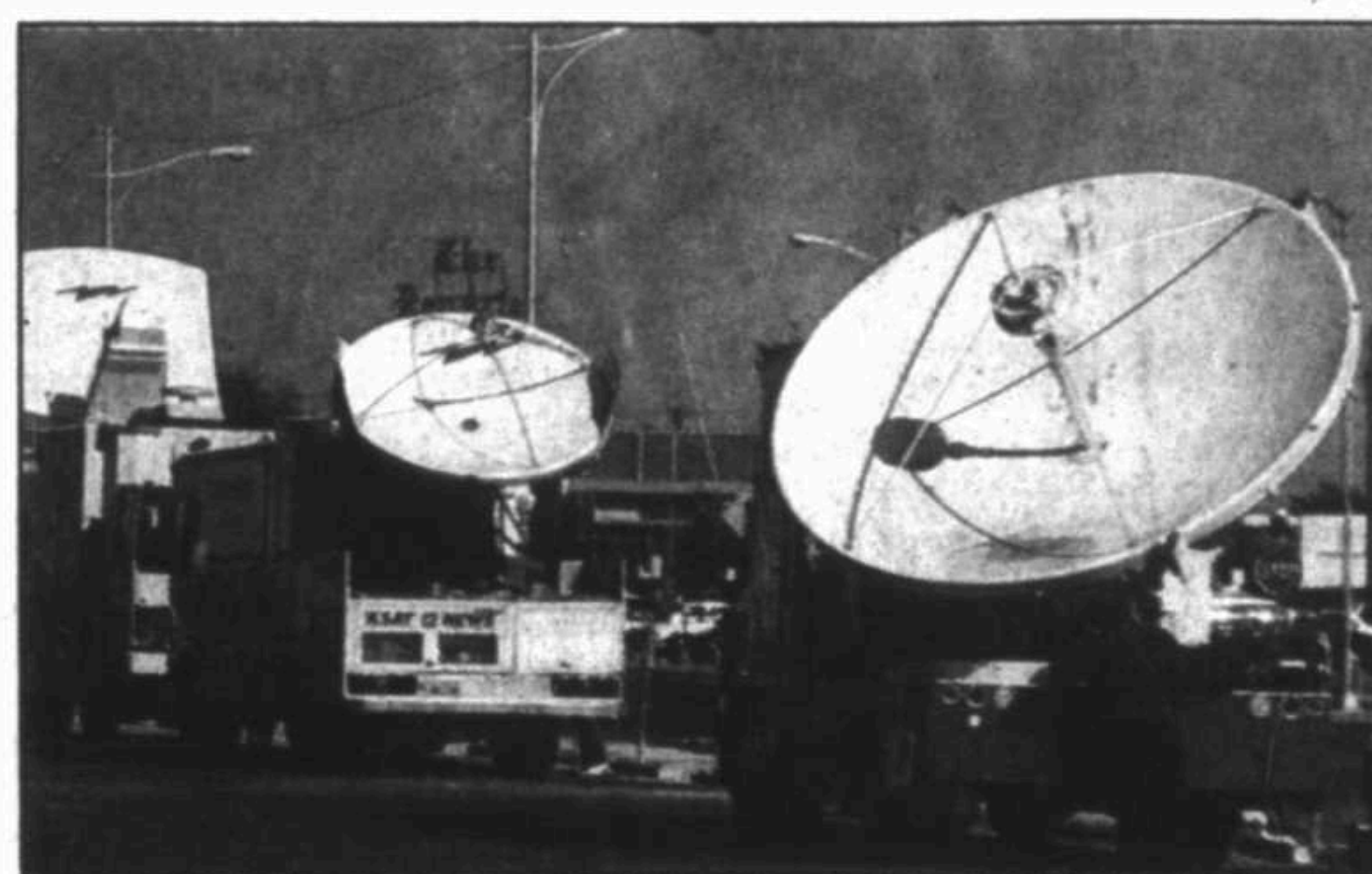
mandated comprehensive sex education for K-12 students and confidential reproductive and health care for students."

The council's recommendation, which will go to the state Legislature for approval in January, also includes allowing students excused absences from school, without their parents knowledge, to go to health clinics.

Fisher said the council was made up of a "who's who of liberals, including Texas Family Planning." He added that conservatives were not in the majority in APPAC.

"They (the council) want to

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A trial involving the Edwards Aquifer being held this week in Midland federal court is drawing statewide media attention, including several San Antonio TV stations that have set up shop outside the courtroom.

Attorney: San Antonio tries to solve its water problem

Associated Press

A San Antonio attorney said Monday the city has tried to develop a new water source to reduce reliance on the Edwards Aquifer, but its attempts have been thwarted by an agency suing to limit the city's aquifer use.

"In reality this is a continuation of a decade-long feud between the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority and millions of people who depend on the aquifer for water," said Jim Mat-

thews, the San Antonio attorney.

Matthews was among dozens of attorneys who filed the Midland courtroom of U.S. District Judge Lucius Buntion on the first day of a four-day trial on a lawsuit filed by the Sierra Club to ensure two South Texas natural springs keep flowing.

The club wants the U.S. Fish Wildlife Service to set minimum flow standards for the Comal Springs in New Braunfels and the San Marcos Springs.

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GARY OTT

Life in a make-believe world has many advantages

It has always been a point of great pride for me that I cannot be shocked. Throw the worst tragedy you can imagine at me and I will shake my head in disgust and make a sarcastic remark.

But I will not be shocked. Maybe it is the journalist in me. In this business you come in contact with so much ugliness that you are forced to build protective walls around yourself in order to block out the pain and hurt others are feeling.

An old reporter friend probably summed it up best one night when, after several drinks, he said, "I laugh to keep from crying."

That became my mission in life. To laugh. When things turned bad, I'd laugh. When tragedy would hit, I'd laugh.

I even memorized the following quote: "Laughter is the only thing that cuts trouble down to a size where you can talk to it." When I'd send a sympathy card to a friend, I'd enclose that quote.

It always worked for me. Perhaps it would have a positive impact on them, too.

But now, as I grow older, something seems to

be changing. The laughter doesn't come as easily as it used to. More and more, I find myself mumbling, "Good Lord, the whole world's gone mad."

The reason all of this comes to mind is that in the past week or so I have read an inordinate number of news stories about senseless crime. Here are just a few examples:

■ "Police on Saturday were hunting for at least four suspects who scattered a post-game football crowd with random gunfire Friday night at Berkner High School, then fatally shot a student on a nearby street and savagely beat another."

■ "The off-duty rookie police officer found slain in his car Sunday had driven to South Dallas with a friend who tried to buy drugs, a suspect has told police."

■ "A new survey has revealed that some 60 guns have been confiscated from high school students in the Chicago area during the past year."

And closer to home, a co-worker just informed me that her home was burglarized Saturday night while she was in the house.

Great. Random shootings, cops helping friends buy drugs, guns on campus, Midland homes being burglarized.

It's becoming difficult to laugh.

In fact, as I read these and other similar stories, I find myself wanting to escape from reality, possibly by hiding on a mountaintop or disappearing to a grass hut on the beach.

But that takes spontaneous courage. So, I do the next best thing ... I escape in my mind.

The plan is really very simple. It works like this: Beginning at this precise moment, as I type these words, I no longer live in Midland, Texas. It is not 1992, either. Time has magically reversed.

It is 1956, and I'm residing in Mayberry, N.C. Andy Taylor is the sheriff and Barney Fife is his deputy. Aunt Bee is at the house baking a pie and for entertainment the boys downtown are gathering at Floyd's Barber Shop for a rowdy game of checkers.

Life is simple. Other than for Otis Campbell occasionally getting drunk and letting himself into the county jail, there is no crime. People don't lock their doors at night and when someone gets sick, the women from the church take over fried chicken and potato salad.

Why? Because it is the neighborly thing to do. Opie Taylor and the other kids create a fair amount of mischief at school, that's for sure, but they certainly don't carry guns on campus. If

they get in trouble, the teacher makes them stand in the corner. And when they get home, their daddy tans their hide. And nobody threatens to file a lawsuit against anyone.

The high school kids date and when they know each other "real well" they go parking on the outskirts of town. I'm sure they fool around and occasionally go "too far," but they don't get weird diseases. And they sure as heck don't do drive-by shootings after the Friday night football game.

It is a small town and people know one another. Strangers are trusted, too. If an out-of-towner has car trouble, someone will stop and help him. The gas station attendant will work overtime to see that the car is repaired. If there is a waiting period, someone will invite the stranger home for supper.

Yeah, I'm a dreamer. Mayberry, N.C. does not exist. In the real world, there is crime, hatred and deadly diseases.

You can't just close your eyes and go back in time. Life doesn't work that way. You can't live in a make-believe world.

But wouldn't it be nice if you could?

Gary Ott is managing editor of the Reporter-Telegram.



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DEATHS

Chester Farmer

Graveside services for Chester Farmer will be at 10:30 a.m. today at Fort Bliss National Cemetery in El Paso with full military honors. Memorial services will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Golf Course Road Church of Christ. Local services are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Farmer died Sunday at a local hospital.

He was born July 20, 1922, in Bells. He later moved to McAllen and Dallas. He graduated from Sunset High School. He attended college for two years before joining the Navy in 1942. He was accepted into Midshipmen school in Notre Dame University and graduated from there in 1944 as an Ensign.

He served as an engineering officer attached to the Naval Air Corp. He was stationed in Norfolk, Va., and Indio and San Diego, Calif.

He married Billy Merle Arrington in Dallas on Jan. 8, 1945. He served on the Saipan in the Mariana Islands and was discharged in January 1946 as a lieutenant.

He returned to Texas A&M and received an engineering degree. He joined Texaco, Inc., in Fort Worth in June 1948. He moved to Pampa and then to Crane for a short time before returning Pampa. He moved to Midland in 1956, then to Farmington, Denver and Los Angeles before returning to Midland in 1979.

He traveled throughout the nation while working out of the Houston General Office. While in Houston, he was assistant to the general manager. He was also assistant to the head of drilling and production. He retired in 1985 after 35 1/2 years of service.

He was a member of the Green-tree Country Club, Men's Golf Association and the West Texas-New Mexico Men's Senior Golf Association. He was also a member of the



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Church of Christ, API and AIME. He was survived by his wife, Billy Farmer of Midland. Memorials may be made to the Midland Christian School, c/o Eddy Lee, superintendent, 2001 Culver, Midland, 79705.

Madge Bartlett

KEYES, Calif. — Services for Madge Bartlett of Keyes, Calif., and sister of a Midland woman, are pending with Lakewood Funeral Home in Hughson, Calif. Local arrangements are being handled by Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bartlett died Sunday at a Midland hospital.

She was born on Nov. 29, 1908, in Bagwell, where she was raised. She married John Bartlett in Bagwell in 1929. She moved to Keyes in 1949.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Bartlett, in 1978.

Survivors include a son, Bob Bartlett of Keyes; two sisters, Mary Williams of Midland and Dorothy Wheeler of Childress; two brothers, Calvin Graham of Prescott, Ark., and Lester Graham of Memphis; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

R.E. Milner

Retired industrialist R.E. Dumas Milner, 75, of Jackson, Miss., died Oct. 8 at his home following an illness.

Services were held in Jackson. Milner built the old Gulf Building in downtown Midland in 1954, during the time A.W. Thompson served as mayor.

Survivors include his wife, Marcelle Milner; two daughters, Sheila Mason and Ruth Ann Carpenter, both of Jackson; two sons, R.E. Dumas "Rob" Milner of Sand Hill, Miss., and Roger Douglas "Doug" Milner of Terrell; five sisters, Earlene Lefoldt, Sr., Merle Witt and Christine Flint, all of Jackson, Leslie Betty of Carthage, Miss., and Nola Ellis of Kosciusko, Miss.; one step-daughter, Leslie Bingham of Jackson; and 12 grandchildren.

WATER: San Antonio fights for use of aquifer

(From 1B)

which are fed by the aquifer. The club and several groups that have joined in the suit — including the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority — say when the springs' flow diminishes, numerous endangered species living in the springs are threatened.

"The Edwards Aquifer has to be regulated every day. Everybody knows it," Peter Schenkan said in opening statements. "It's hard to do. It's controversial ... It's so controversial that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service didn't do anything about it until we sued and the state of Texas didn't do anything about it until we sued."

Edwards flows for 176 miles under five counties and is the sole water source for the city of San Antonio. San Antonio and several state agencies want to leave pumping limits to state and local control.

San Antonio Mayor Nelson Wolff said the city would have to cut the amount of water it gets from the aquifer by 60 percent if it loses the lawsuit.

Matthews said the city has tried for 40 years to develop an alternate water source, including the Applewhite Reservoir. He said the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority opposed construction of the reservoir.

"We have parties asking to limit withdrawals from the aquifer and yet these same parties are standing in the way of development of alternate water sources," Matthews said.

Charles Shockley, a U.S. Department of Justice attorney, said the Fish and Wildlife Service has launched a \$100,000 project to determine minimum flow standards for the natural springs. He said the agency is not pumping the aquifer and therefore shouldn't be setting limits on the pumping.

"The primary flaw in the Sierra

Club's suit is ... there is no direct link between what the Fish and Wildlife Service does and has been doing and the stated harm at the (springs)."

The first witness, Plano consultant Paul Thornhill, said the aquifer currently is being pumped at a rate two-and-a-half times the rate it was pumped during the 1950s drought, when the springs went dry.

Thornhill, who has studied the aquifer since 1982, said a management plan proposed by the opponents of federal intervention recommends cutting pumping of the aquifer from 540,000 acre feet of water per year to 450,000 acre feet of water per year and eventually to 350,000 acre feet per year.

But he cautioned that even at the reduced rates, "Comal Springs will dry up."

Russell Johnson, the attorney representing New Braunfels, tried to show on cross examination that Thornhill's knowledge of the aquifer was inexact.

Thornhill agreed with Johnson

when the attorney said that if average, non-drought conditions existed for the next five years, there would be little stress on the springs.

Buntun has given both sides four days to present their cases.

Parties aligned with the federal government include: San Antonio; three irrigation farmers in Uvalde County; the Bexar Metropolitan Water District; a group of rural water supply corporations; the Texas Water Commission and two other state regulatory agencies; the Living Waters Artesian Springs Ltd. catfish farm; the Greater San Antonio Builders Association; and a group of San Antonio industrial water users.

The Edwards Underground Water District and a South Bexar County neighborhood Association have filed for friend of the court status.

CHILDREN: Magazine editor works in Odessa home

(From 1B)

telephone links him to the "Highlights" editorial office in Honesdale, Pa.

The magazine receives more than 1,000 manuscripts a month and may publish 10 of them, according to White. "We are about

95 percent free-lance written," he said, "and we publish many first-time writers. We don't pay persons under 16, who usually send jokes, riddles and poems. But we do pay a small amount to writers 16 and older."

He said one contributor, a wom-

an in her 40s, "makes an income

with paper plate crafts. I call her the Paper Plate Lady. I would starve to death in that field," White said, laughing heartily, waving his hands as if to fend off such a dubious proposition. "I would also starve to death if I had to

write riddles and jokes."

And his best advice to students who want to take pen in hand? "Be irreverent. Be rebellious. But do not be frightened off ... It is the writers and the thinkers, the people with ideas, who change the world. There's no substitute for good writing."

SPEAK: Fisher speaks to residents about APPAC

(From 1B)

make it look like their opinion is what the majority of Texans want," he said. "I don't believe that the people of Texas want state-mandated sex education."

Before he addressed the audience, Fisher said the American Family Association of Texas was not opposed to sex education, but did not want it to be state-mandated.

"Each district should be able to decide what is best for its children," he said. "And, starting sex

education in kindergarten, that's a little ridiculous."

Fisher said the organization supports a directive-abstinence program that begins in junior high.

"The comprehensive sex education is value-free, it teaches no morals," he said. "A program teaching children to abstain until they are ready for a lifelong, monogamous relationship, does."

Donna Ballard of The Woodlands, who described herself as "an angry mother," also spoke at the meeting. She attended the AP-

PAC summit in place of her representative.

"I want to know where my kids are all the time," said the mother of four. "I don't want the state and school to know things about my children that I don't know. I believe in parental control, not parental involvement."

Iris Englet, chairwoman of the Eagle Forum, said the group contacted Fisher about speaking in Midland on APPAC.

"We are terribly concerned about APPAC," she said. "They are trying to destroy our children. And, this is a community that loves its children."

Man files second lawsuit against city of Midland

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff writer

A second lawsuit has been filed against the city of Midland on behalf of a mentally ill man that had his arm broken by police in July.

The more recent suit was filed last week in the 238th District Court by Celia Gonzales, legal guardian of 46-year-old Selestino Jasso.

In August, a suit alleging a violation of civil rights was filed in federal court.

The state-court suit addresses the Texas constitutional right to privacy, and claims of negligence.

A specific amount of damages sought was not listed pending further investigation and assessment of medical costs, Aaron said.

Jasso had his right arm broken when he was mistaken for a suspect involved in an earlier disturbance on the evening of July 6, family members have said.

The 127-pound Jasso was standing in his front yard at 1407 Walnut St. about 11 p.m. when police

approached. Jasso tried to go into his home and was followed by officers David Beatty and Alvin Navarette.

The plaintiff claims the officers forced their way inside the house and apprehended Jasso, breaking his arm.

In an answer to the federal lawsuit, the city stated that the officers performed in good faith, had a reasonable belief that Jasso was the suspect, and used no more force than necessary.

An answer has not been filed in the state suit, served to the city on Friday, City Attorney Keith Stretcher said.

That suit claims the city was negligent for failure to properly train the officers, failure to monitor the policies of the police department and failure to monitor activities of on-duty officers.

The outcome of one suit is not indicative of what decision may arise from the other, Aaron said.

The federal lawsuit is expected to be heard in January.

Lee schools to present concert

Staff report

The Lee High School Orchestra and the Lee Freshman Orchestra will present the autumn pre-Thanksgiving concert at 7:30 p.m. today in the Lee High School Auditorium.

The program will include arrangements of classical works played by the Lee Freshman Orchestra.

The Lee High Orchestra will play the second half of the concert. Works to be performed include three movements of the "Holberg Suite" by Grieg, the first movement of the Tchaikovsky Serenade for Strings, the Hoedown from Aaron Copeland's "Rodeo Suite," arrangements of Dvorak's "Slavonic Dancers" and the "Bol-zoni" Minuetto.

No admission will be charged.

VOLUNTEERING

Make a difference and help build a better community-volunteer. Here are just a few of the opportunities awaiting you:

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■ The Midland Association of Citizens with Retardation invites you to become a special friend to persons with developmental disabilities. To find out how you can enjoy good times this fall with your new friend, call Gail at 682-9771.

■ Share the magic of reading with the Midland Need to Read's adult literacy program. Volunteer tutors are needed for this vital agency. Training will be held Monday and Wednesday evenings, November 16 and 18 from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Call Patti Groce today at 685-

4572 to learn more.

■ Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Midland needs a few good "bigs" to enrich the lives of the children in this program. Opportunities are also available for teens wanting to get involved. If you can spare a few hours of your time each week, you could have the friendship of a lifetime. Call Nancy at 687-0195 today.

■ The NonProfit Resource Center presents "Developing your Agency's Fundraising Strategies," December 9 from 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. This seminar is designed to help nonprofit leaders learn successful fundraising and grantsmanship techniques for the '90s. For more information, call 520-3108.

For more information on how you can volunteer, please call the NonProfit Resource Center at 520-3108.

LOCAL/AREA REPORTS

Shooting death

Staff report

ANDREWS — The Andrews County sheriff's office is continuing to investigate a fatal shooting that occurred 13 miles west of Andrews Monday.

According to the sheriff's office, deputies received a call at 8:40 a.m. concerning a man found dead in an AMOCO oil field, two miles east of State Highway 181. Upon arrival, deputies found a male who had been shot once in the chest.

The man was identified as 48-year-old Chuck Carrigan of Andrews. He was pronounced dead at the scene between 9-9:30 a.m. by Justice of the Peace Calbert Shortes. The body was sent to Dallas and an autopsy was ordered.

The sheriff's office did not release the type of weapon that killed Carrigan.

Possession

ODESSA — An Odessa man was in jail after police allegedly found cocaine in his apartment Monday. According to Odessa police, a narcotics search warrant was issued at 5 p.m. for the residence in the 1800 block of East 2nd St. Officers found nine papers of cocaine, with an estimated street value of \$180.

The 57-year-old suspect was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine. Arraignment was expected today.

Shooting

Midland police are still looking for suspects in a shooting incident early Monday morning that sent a Midland man to the hospital.

According to a police report, officers received a call at 2:07 a.m. of shots fired at the Whataburger located at 1905 N. Big Spring. The officers were then told that the victim, 39-year-old Hipolito Brito, was at the Memorial Hospital and Medical Center emergency room.

After meeting with Brito, officers learned that unknown suspects drove through the Whataburger parking lot as Brito was getting out of his car. The suspects, who were in a light blue car, fired four shots at Brito and then left the scene. Brito was hit once in the lower, right leg.

Brito was treated and released.

Fire

ODESSA — Odessa firefighters successfully stopped a grassfire that spread to a small travel trailer Monday afternoon.

The fire broke out at approximately 2 p.m. at 9842 Carpenter. Two units were used to bring the fire under control. No one was injured.

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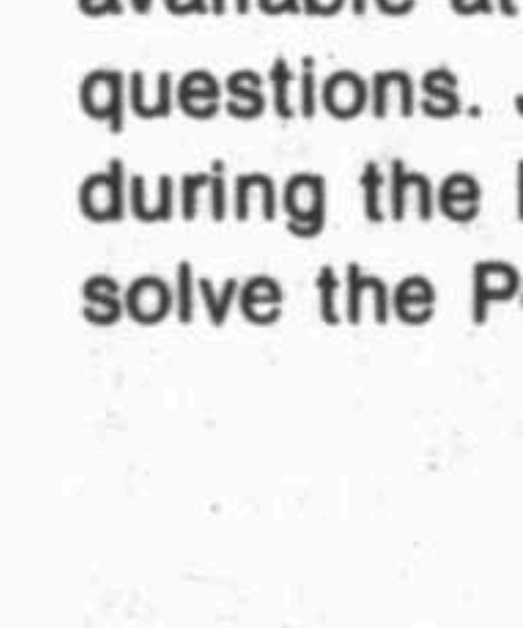
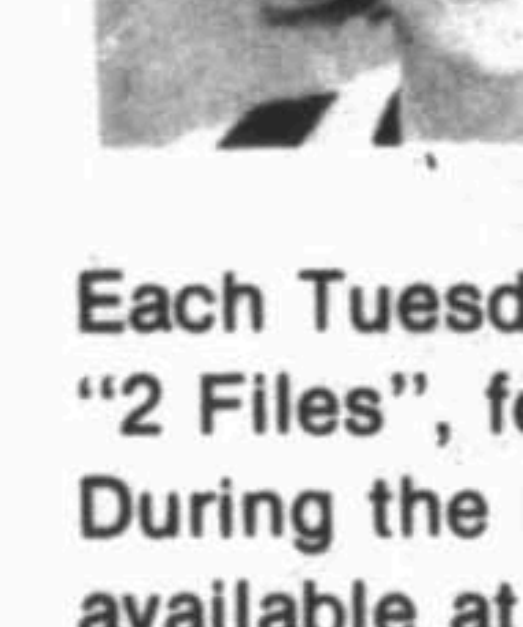
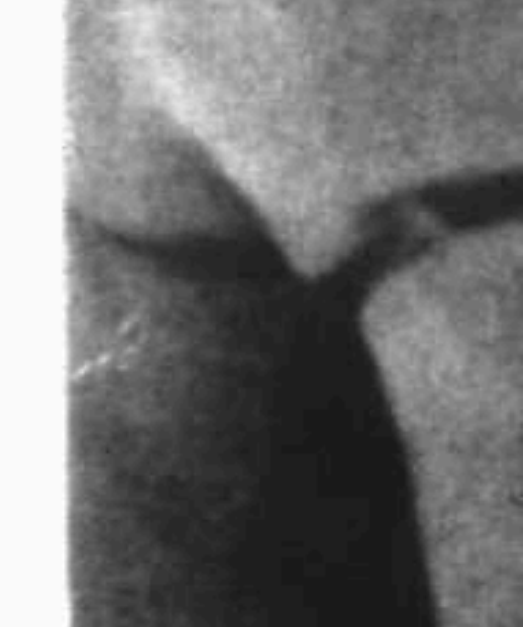
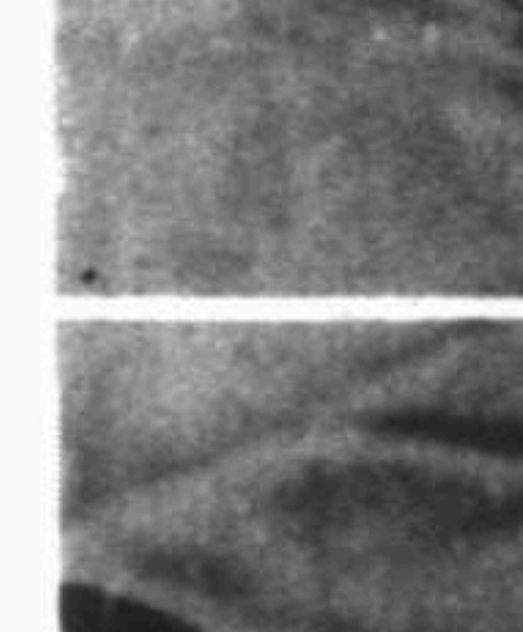
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Top leaders call for more audits of all school districts

By Peggy Fikac

Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — Texas' top three leaders called for audits of all school districts Monday, after an examination of 55 districts found that some were spending money on items including entertainment.

"We have got to show the taxpayers that we are spending our school dollars wisely, that Jay Leno tickets don't make the cut," Gov. Ann Richards said in the second week of a special session on school finance reform.

House Speaker Gib Lewis said it may take several years to examine every school district, but he has

asked the state auditor to develop a plan.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said it's unfair to draw conclusions from auditing only a handful of Texas' 1000-plus school districts.

"I'd like for them (auditors) to come back and say every school district in Texas is doing a wonderful job, that there is no waste... I doubt they will find that, but I hope they will," Bullock said.

He commended school districts that did well on the initial audit released last week, and said the message to those that didn't is, "Cut the gravy train out. It's over. It's time to go to work for the

school kids."

Craig Foster, spokesman for a group of poor school districts, contended that auditors had been sent out "to dig dirt and hunt witches," but found relatively little questionable spending in the \$17 billion-a-year school funding system.

Johnny Veselka of the Texas Association of School Administrators said his group welcomes more audits. But he noted that much of the \$642 million in potential savings in the recent audit was tied to consolidating and reorganizing school districts.

Veselka said his group doesn't

think the Legislature should mandate consolidation. But Richards predicted more lawmakers would push the idea if the Legislature can't agree in this special session on a way to achieve court-ordered school funding reform.

"Since that audit's been done, a number of legislators have mentioned to me that there has to be some forced consolidation of these small districts," Richards said.

The Texas Supreme Court has given lawmakers until June 1, 1993, to change the current funding system, which transfers local property tax money from wealthier to poorer school districts within

counties or groups of counties. It was an attempt to meet a court order for equalized school funding.

A proposed constitutional amendment proposed by leaders and approved by the Senate would authorize statewide redistribution of local property tax money.

The leaders' proposal also would set an equity standard in the state constitution, in an effort to free the state from continued battles over the issue. The standard would require that 95 percent of state and local education money be equally distributed based on school districts' local property tax

rates.

But a coalition of 14 school groups supports an alternative advanced by a House committee, which would take out the equity standard and limit the amount of money that can be redistributed. However, the School Finance Working Group wants the redistribution limited to 2.5 percent of education spending, rather than the committee's 2.75 percent.

A two-thirds vote of the Legislature is required to put a proposed constitutional amendment before Texas voters. Lewis said there currently is not enough support in the House to approve an amendment.

Study assesses condition of Galveston Bay seafood

HOUSTON (AP) — Some parts of Galveston Bay appear to be at greater risk than others of producing contaminated seafood, according to a pollution study.

The study commissioned by the Galveston Bay National Estuary Program varies from an earlier draft that had said the health risk posed by bay seafood was not much different from the contamination hazards associated with other foods.

The final version asserts that "risk associated with consumption of average amounts of seafood in some parts of the bay" is greater than a "benchmark risk level" used by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency "to flag possible problems."

An average consumption figure of 15 grams of marine seafood a day, or slightly less than a quarter-pound a week, was used by the study.

Seafood samples from "all sites we examined in Galveston Bay," it says, had enough contamination to mean that indi-

viduals who consume "large quantities" would exceed the EPA's "benchmark."

The federal government uses that "benchmark" risk level as an indication of when state officials should take some action to protect public health.

However, Frank Shipley, executive director of the Galveston Bay Program, told the Houston Chronicle that the final version reached the same major conclusions as the draft — "the bay, by and large, does produce uncontaminated seafood."

The final version retained the draft's key assessments that Morgan's Point, near the mouth of the industry-lined Houston Ship Channel, was the most contaminated sampling site, and contamination readings generally decreased down the bay, at greater distances from Houston and its industrial complex.

The study did not examine dioxin contamination among its measurements of numerous other toxic substances in bay

seafood.

Bay seafood consumers, the study says, should be aware that health risks posed by dioxin in the bay would have to be added to the risks posed by these other contaminants to calculate "a cumulative risk."

But the study also noted that research efforts were marked by serious limitations that permitted "only snapshot information about contamination of Galveston Bay seafood."

The study's foreword warns that "numerous uncertainties inherent in the estimates of human health risks... complicate the interpretation of the data, so we urge caution on the part of all readers to avoid 'jumping to conclusions.'"

In marked contrast to the draft's statement that bay seafood's health risk is "low" and comparable to other foods, the final foreword says the program and the study authors at Texas A&M University offer "no interpretation... regarding the significance of the risk estimates."

Attorneys choose jury for trial of 17-year-old girl

MCKINNEY (AP) — Attorneys needed four and a half hours Monday to select a jury in the trial of a 17-year-old girl accused of soliciting the murder of her parents because they disapproved of her boyfriend.

Testimony is expected to begin Tuesday in the court of State District Judge John Roach. Prosecutors say they expect the trial to last about a week.

Krisi Lynn Caldwell is accused with her boyfriend, Robert Anthony Gonzales, 16, of asking friends to kill her mother, Rosalyn Caldwell, 41, and father, Vernon Caldwell, 42.

A gunman slipped into the Caldwell's residence outside Frisco, 35

miles north of Dallas, last March 6 and opened fire on the couple as they slept.

Mrs. Caldwell was killed, and her husband was critically wounded. No evidence of forced entry was found, police said.

Gonzales will be tried separately about the first of the year on charges of capital murder, attempted capital murder and solicitation of capital murder, prosecutors said.

Both are in the Collin County Jail on \$100,000 bond each.

The state has subpoenaed 50 witnesses. Among the state's evidence is a stack of 70 letters from Miss Caldwell to Gonzales that were introduced by prosecutors and Gonzales' attorney during the hearing to certify Miss Caldwell to stand trial as an adult.



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DEAR ABBY

Group helps blended families learn to cope with change

DEAR READERS: In recent years, the mail from stepchildren, stepparents and steprelatives has increased at an alarming rate. Perhaps it's due to the fact that divorce and re-marriage have become more popular and less stigmatized in the last 20 years.

Take heart — there is help out there for stepmothers, stepfathers and all manner of steppeople. It's called the Stepfamily Association of America. The group was founded in 1979. It offers information and advocacy for stepfamilies: self-help programs through local chapters, educational resources, a quarterly bulletin, annual national conference, and chapter start-up information.

You need not send a self-addressed envelope to receive infor-

mation. Simply write to: Stepfamily Association of America, 215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 212, Lincoln, Neb. 68508. The toll-free telephone number is 1-800-735-0329 (U.S.A. and Canada).

This organization provides helpful information for people contemplating becoming stepparents, and those already involved with a blended family — who are having a difficult time dealing with her kids by her first husband, his kids by his first wife, or the new set of grandparents who find competing with biological grandparents more than they bargained for. The association offers some intelligent guidelines that will make those new steppeople less threatening and more welcome. Trust me.

DEAR ABBY: My husband was married before and has a 12-year-old daughter who lives with her mother in a distant state. I'll call my stepdaughter "Carla." My husband can afford to fly Carla here only twice a year. My husband and

I also have a daughter of our own who will soon be 3 years old. The problem is that we would like to have a family portrait taken and can't decide whether Carla should be in it or not.

I do not dislike Carla, but we see her so seldom, it's hard for me to consider her part of the immediate family. I would hate to hurt her feelings, but I also don't want to pretend to be a family because actually we are not. When Carla visits us, she is more like a guest.

Should we have the portrait taken with just my husband and me and our baby, and hide it when Carla visits? Or should we wait several months for her next visit to have the family portrait taken?

Abby, how important would it be for your readers who are stepchildren (grown or otherwise) to have been included in their absent parent's new family portrait? Maybe it wouldn't mean anything to Carla. Am I making a big deal out of nothing? Sign me ... **UNSURE STEP MOM**

DEAR UNSURE: Please do not have a picture taken that you will have to hide when your stepdaughter visits. Better to include her in the family portrait whether it will mean anything to her or not than to exclude her and risk hurting her.

DEAR ABBY: If your readers are beginning to make Christmas lists and are wondering what to give the "old folks," here's a suggestion:

How about a once-a-month cleaning person? Many "old folks" are able to handle the daily chores of dusting, vacuuming, laundry, grocery shopping, cooking, cleaning, etc., but when it comes to heavy-duty cleaning, they can't manage it.

They would like to remain independent (if they are lucky) until they drop dead, and a little assistance of this sort would make their remaining years easier and more comfortable.

There are a lot of us out there.

Think about it! — "OLD FOLKS"

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Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.



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AT WIT'S END

Happy days are here again for men

By Erma Bombeck

A short skirt I ordered through a catalog arrived the other day, and to my surprise it had slits around the hem every 10 inches or so. When the model wore it, she looked elegant. But then, she was standing still.

When I put it on and walked across the floor, I could have added two tablespoons of detergent and washed a 1980 Buick. I felt drafts in places I never knew were exposed before, and sitting down was like trying to wrap myself in a tattered flag that had flown over a war zone.

The new short skirts are not only capable of bringing dead men back to life, they are also changing the way American women live, work and play. If the trend holds, I think we're going to see some interesting new accessories.

Heated chairs and underwear will make an appearance for women who want the option of being

able to sit.

Hand extenders will attach to the wrists of a woman wearing a short skirt who drops something and is not able to lean over and pick it up without getting arrested.

Look for stomach cloths. Every woman in an abbreviated tight skirt will carry one of these in her handbag so that whenever she feels the need to let her stomach hang out and breathe, she can tie this around her waist.

A folding piece of cardboard will serve as a knee screen when a woman is on a talk show or is seated at a banquet table that isn't draped.

There will be blinds for car windows that can be pulled down when a truck pulls alongside a woman with her skirt up to her waist.

Of course there will be curb feelers for the woman who must back into a step and hook her heels over it to get onto flat ground again.

I must say many women are more comfortable with the new thigh-high lengths than I thought they would be. Those of us with veins in the backs of our knees

walk around with the uncertainty of puppies who have missed their papers.

People who read trends into skirt lengths say they reflect the

state of the economy.

My husband said, "Maybe she's just trying to cheer us up." She cheered one of us up.



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BOXING — Rodney Moore vs. Louie Lomeli (junior welterweights), 8 p.m., ESPN.

Local hoops

The local high school basketball season gets under way tonight, as the Midland Lee girls host to Wall and the Midland High girls travel to Big Spring.

The Lee-Wall game is set for 8 p.m. at the Lee gymnasium. The MHS-Big Spring game is also at 8 p.m.

Both the Lee and MHS boys open the season at home Friday, as Lee hosts El Paso Jefferson and MHS entertains Uvalde.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL
— Girls: Wall at Midland Lee, 8 p.m., Lee gymnasium.
Midland High at Big Spring, 8 p.m., Big Spring gymnasium.

Elway just sore

DENVER — Tests of John Elway's right shoulder, injured during Denver's victory over the New York Giants, show no serious injury, although soreness makes him questionable for next weekend, coach Dan Reeves said Monday.

Elway was injured while diving for a first down early in the second quarter and retired for the night after returning for three plays, including an interception on which he helped make the tackle and re-injured the shoulder.

With Tommy Maddox replacing Elway, the Broncos beat New York 27-13.

Nippert dies

CINCINNATI — Louis Nippert, who owned the Cincinnati Reds when the club won World Series titles in 1975 and 1976, died at his home Monday. He was 89.

Although he owned the Reds during their heyday, Nippert avoided publicity and let his front office run the club that became known as the "Big Red Machine."

He remained one of the club's limited partners when Marge Schott took over in 1984. He also was one of the owners of the Cincinnati Bengals.

Reds limited partner William Reik described Nippert as "the ultimate gentleman."

Heritage Bowl

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The financially troubled Heritage Bowl, the only bowl game for predominantly black schools, is moving from Miami to Tallahassee.

Officials said the game, which matches teams from the Mid-Eastern Athletic and Southwestern Athletic conferences, will be played Jan. 2 at Bragg Memorial Stadium on the Florida A&M campus.

The two leagues agreed to the shift Monday.

Alabama State beat North Carolina A&T 36-13 in the inaugural Heritage Bowl last season at Joe Robbie Stadium near Miami. The game was supposed to be played at the Orange Bowl this season.

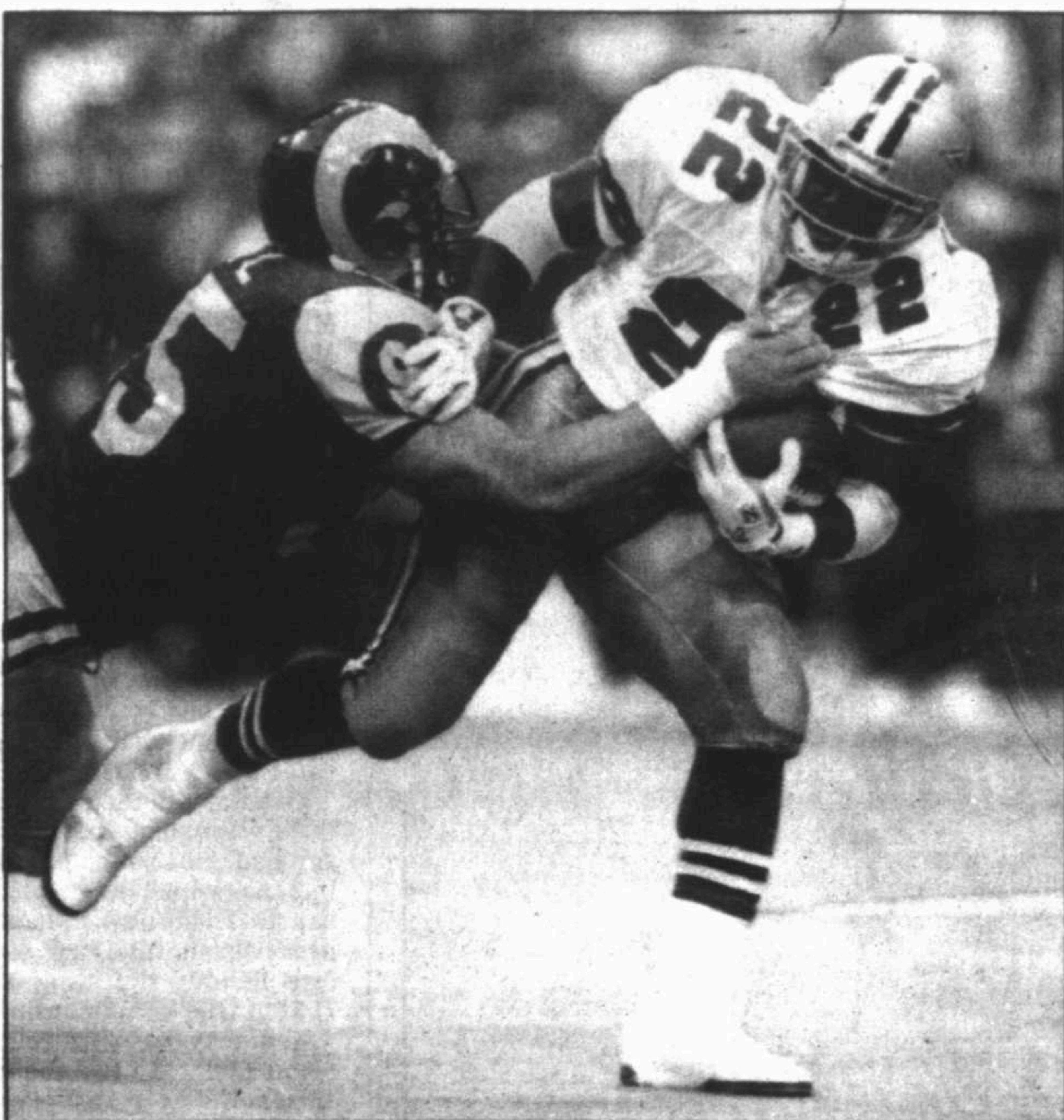
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Cowboys look to regain intensity



Dallas running back Emmitt Smith, here being tackled by Los Angeles Mike Piel (95), was held to 80 yards rushing Sunday.

Reasons for Dallas' 27-23 loss to the Rams elude Cowboy players.

Associated Press

IRVING — The Dallas Cowboys and the cocky NFC East got a bigtime reality check, proving it's still a jungle out there every Sunday in the NFL.

The Cowboys fell 27-23 to the 14-point underdog Los Angeles Rams but still maintain a two game lead in the NFC East with an 8-2 record because Philadelphia and Washington lost. The Phoenix Cardinals and New York Giants also fell on "Surprise Sunday."

"I'm disappointed but not surprised," said wide receiver Michael Irvin. "You don't get surprised in the NFL because any team can beat any other team. We just didn't execute. Period."

Running back Emmitt Smith, who was held to 80 yards by the worst defense against the rush in the league, said something was missing from the Dallas effort.

"The intensity was not there," he said.

"We didn't make plays."

Jim Everett passed for two touchdowns and Cleveland Gary scored twice and rushed for 110 yards against a Dallas defense which had been ranked No. 1 in the league.

"How do you figure it?" asked fullback Daryl Johnston. "We had a good week of practice."

Defensive tackle Russell Maryland said he was amazed at the Rams defense.

"They did a good job of holding our

offense and I was surprised after everybody was talking about how they were 28th in the league," Maryland said. "They met the challenge and we didn't. We're not in a panic situation. Maybe we won't let this happen again."

Tony Casillas, the Cowboys other starting defensive tackle, said, "We were

'The intensity was not there. We didn't make plays.'

Emmitt Smith

kinda complacent on the line. We're not looking for excuses. The Rams just came in here and executed."

Safety Thomas Everett added: "The Rams were good. You have to keep things in perspective. This is the NFL and anything can happen. Look at all the other teams who got beat on Sunday."

Dallas got only one sack and the pass rush was hampered because of defensive end Charles Haley's pulled groin.

"It's a tough injury for the type of player that I am because I do a lot of quick moves," Haley said. "I couldn't do it every time I tried to."

Haley said he wasn't shocked by the Rams' performance.

"I played the Rams two times a year when I was with the (San Francisco) 49ers and I know what Everett is capable of," Haley said. "We were riding high but this proves that any week anyone can come in here and beat you. We can't let this loss get us down."

Chaps rout Vikes

Midland College runs its record to 6-0 with a 119-80 laughter over Grayson County.

By Jimmy Patterson
Assistant sports editor

It is amazing how basketball players will come together when they're all forced to wake up earlier than Bryant Gumbel.

Midland College, tired of 5:30 a.m. calls-to-order, dismantled Grayson County Community College Monday night, 119-80, the third time this year the Chaparrals' margin of victory has exceeded 30 points. In comparison, last year's Chap team managed 30-point margins of victory four times in the 32-game season.

"Every time we started to think about slacking off," said MC freshman Dominique Coursey, "we said to ourselves, 'Remember 5:30.' That's what kept us from slacking off."

MC (6-0), which started off sluggish in last Thursday's win over Pima, never seemed in any real danger of losing

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Grayson's Karl Martin (11) brushes past Dominique Coursey (23) of Midland College in the Chaparrals'

119-80 victory over the Vikings Monday night at the Chaparral Center.

Rockies, Marlins fill rosters today

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Colorado Rockies began what might become baseball's biggest shopping spree ever, signing free agent Andres Galarraga on Monday, a day before the expansion draft.

Atlanta pitching phenom David Nied was expected to be the No. 1 pick by Colorado when the draft starts at 1 p.m. CST today. The Florida Marlins may follow by taking by Toronto outfield prospect Nigel Wilson, and both teams figure to finish selecting each of their 36 players by about 9 p.m.

Then, it appears, the fun will really begin.

Because that's when the big names, the Lee Smiths and Shawn Dunstons and Jose Linds, should start flying. And the result could be much more than merely a stocking of two new teams; instead, it could be a major shakeup of the whole major leagues.

Sure, the Marlins and Rockies plan to pick young and inexpensive players, but both teams are certain to select some stars — with the sole purpose of trading them. Danny Tartabull, Jack Morris and catchers Mike LaValliere, Don Slaught, Greg Olson and Damon Berryhill were among the others left off 15-man protected lists.

Indeed, Marlins general manager Dave Dombrowski said Monday that he al-

Expansion Draft

A glance at how the baseball expansion draft will work Tuesday:

Draft Order: The Colorado Rockies, having won a coin flip last week with the Florida Marlins, will make the No. 1 pick at 2 p.m. EST. The Marlins will follow, and the teams will alternate picks throughout the first round. Each expansion team will take 13 players in the first round, and the 26 established major league clubs will each lose one player.

Draft Process: There will be three rounds, with the Marlins picking first in the second and third rounds. There will be five minutes between each selection, and a 30-minute break between the rounds. After each round, American League teams add four players to their protected list and National League teams add three.

Who's Eligible?: All players except those on protected lists and those who: a) either signed their first pro contract in 1991 or 1992 or b) signed in 1990, but were younger than 19 on June 5 that year.

Who Loses Whom?: All 12 established NL teams will lose three players. In the AL, eight teams will lose three players and six teams will lose two players.

ready had two trades set to announce after the draft, and that he was continuing "serious trade talks" with 17 other general managers.

Rockies general manager Bob Gebhard said he also had some deals set, although he did not say how many. He said he hoped to have "eight to 10" trades in place before the draft begins.

Smith could be drafted by one of the new teams and sent to the Braves, who are anxious to acquire a relief ace. Lind

is likely to wind up with the Los Angeles Dodgers, who are desperate for a good-fielding second baseman.

No trades can be announced until after the three-round draft is finished. Dombrowski said it was possible that the deals could begin to be announced Tuesday night.

Then again, a lot of these potential trades could fall through.

"The one thing you can't control is the situation," Dombrowski said. "Colorado may draft the player before us, or the player might be pulled back from the protected list."

"And, we're not naive going into this. We know that a team might talk to us about drafting a player and then trading him, and then call the Rockies and see about the trade for the same player," he said.

Gebhard echoed that thought, saying the Rockies were "competing against the other 26 clubs in a game of cat-and-mouse about who you might draft. We may also be trying to block off the Marlins with certain players."

Each major league team will lose exactly one player in the first round, with five minutes between each selection. After the each round, there will be a 30-minute break while National League teams add three players to their protect-

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Thomson inks with S.E. La.

By Jimmy Patterson
Assistant sports editor

Midland College sophomore golfer Grant Thomson has signed a national letter of intent to complete his collegiate golf career and education at Southeastern Louisiana.

Thomson was second medalist last summer when the Chaparrals won the NJCAA golf title, but has not played for the team this semester. NCAA rules prohibit a player from playing a sport for two schools in the same school year.

The Glasgow, Scotland, native becomes the third Chap athlete in the last four years to sign with S.E. Louisiana. Danny Pearson, a member of last year's basketball team, and former golfer Mark Kochan, have also played for the Lions.

"Grant has been a tremendous leader for us," MC athletic director and head golf coach Delnor Poss said. "He's one of the best leaders I have ever had, and he's even helped this year when he hasn't been playing."

Thomson plans to earn a business management degree and, following graduation, hopes to join the European pro golf tour.

Bills win AFC East showdown, 26-20

Associated Press

MIAMI — The last time Miami played Buffalo, mistakes beat the Bills. This time, mistakes beat the Dolphins.

The Bills took advantage of two Miami turnovers and three key defensive penalties to beat the Dolphins 26-20 in an AFC East showdown Monday night. Buffalo, which had five turnovers in a 37-10 loss to Miami last month, this time had none.

Buffalo improved to 8-2, and the Dolphins fell to 7-3. Because of the NFL's tiebreaker system to settle playoff slots, the victory in effect gave the Bills a two-game lead in the AFC East because they have two fewer losses than Miami within the division.

Defensive penalties against the Dolphins helped set up two Buffalo scores, and a pass interference call against rookie Troy Vincent with three minutes left negated a third-down incompletion at the Bills 18.

The Bills, who trailed 14-3 in the second quarter, took their first lead at 20-17 with a 46-yard touchdown drive following a short Reggie Roby punt. A dead-ball personal foul against Miami's Marco Coleman erased a second-and-13 situation and gave Buffalo a first down at the 12.

Then came the Dolphins' turnovers. Cornelius Bennett recovered a Mark Higgs fumble, Henry Jones picked off a pass that slipped through Keith Jackson's hands, and Buffalo converted both Miami mistakes with short Steve Christie field goals.

Christie also kicked two field goals in the first half, including a team-record 54-yarder.

Jones' interception was his seventh of the year, most in the NFL.

Four Buffalo sacks helped to cool off Dan Marino after he completed his first 11 passes, including touchdown throws to cap Miami's first two possessions. The scoring plays covered 1 yard to Greg Baty and 19 yards to Mark Clayton.



Miami Dolphin running back Mark Higgs (21) is Odomes after a first quarter gain Monday sent flying by Buffalo Bill defender Nate night at Joe Robbie Stadium in Miami.

Miami's Pete Stoyanovich hit two field goals, including a 50-yarder with 4:04 left. But the penalty on Vincent allowed the Bills to run out the clock.

Vincent was also called for holding in the first half in a third-and-3 situation, which led

to a Christie field goal.

A 25-yard field goal by Stoyanovich in the fourth quarter was negated by a holding penalty on James Saxon. Stoyanovich then tried a 35-yarder, which deflected off the left upright.

Kelly completed 19 of 32 passes for 212 yards. Marino hit 22 of 33 for 321 yards.

Because Marino completed his final four passes a week earlier, he set a team record with 15 consecutive completions.

Michigan atop AP preseason cage poll

Associated Press

Michigan's Fab Five ended their freshman year as close to a national championship as you can get and they start their sophomore season No. 1.

The Wolverines, who lost to Duke in the NCAA title game with five freshman starters, finished atop the AP's preseason college basketball poll Monday with Kansas, Duke, Indiana and Kentucky rounding out the top five.

"I think it says a lot of people recognize the quality of our players and program and the strengths are perceived to be that good," Michigan coach Steve Fisher said Monday. "But there are 10 or 12 teams good enough to be considered the No. 1 team. I think we are one of those teams, but how good? I don't know."

Michigan received 23 of the 65 first-place votes and 1,536 points from the nationwide panel of sportswriters and broadcasters. Kansas, which was second in the final regular-season poll last year only to be upset by Texas-El Paso in the second round of the NCAA tournament, had 19 first-place votes and 1,513 points.

Two-time defending champion Duke was named first on 15 ballots and had 1,504 points, 15 more than Indiana, which was No. 1 on six ballots. Duke beat Indiana in the national semifinals last season before handily defeating Michigan 71-51 in the championship game.

Kentucky was fifth followed by Seton Hall, with two the only other team to get first-place votes, North Carolina, Memphis State, Florida State and Arizona.

Iowa led the Second Ten, followed by Georgetown, Louisville, Georgia Tech, Oklahoma, Connecticut, Tulane, Syracuse, Iowa State and Michigan State.

Cincinnati, the other member of last season's Final Four, was 21st followed by UNLV, Massachusetts, UCLA and Nebraska.

Michigan's impressive sophomore class is led by Chris Webber and Jalen Rose. They will be tested early with a Dec. 5 game at Duke. On the same day, Kansas is at Indiana, making an early December Saturday seem like a weekend day in late March.

Fisher, who won a national championship as Michigan's interim coach in 1989, knows his current team is good, but he also knows they understand the huge task ahead of them.

"We got hot, white hot, at the right time last year and still only finished tied for third in our conference," Fisher said. "I think our players are smart enough to realize we haven't scored a basket or stopped one yet and those are the things we have to do consistently

Basketball Top 25

The Top Twenty Five teams in the Associated Press' preseason college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, 1991-92 record, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and last season's final ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Michigan (23)	25-9	1,536	15
2. Kansas (19)	27-5	1,513	2
3. Duke (15)	34-2	1,504	1
4. Indiana (8)	27-7	1,489	5
5. Kentucky	29-7	1,341	6
6. Seton Hall (2)	23-9	1,300	19
7. North Carolina	23-10	1,171	18
8. Memphis St.	23-11	1,158	—
9. Florida St.	22-10	1,089	20
10. Arizona	24-7	1,053	10
11. Iowa	19-11	738	—
12. Georgetown	22-10	631	22
13. Louisville	19-11	618	—
14. Georgia Tech	23-12	573	—
15. Oklahoma	21-9	545	23
16. Connecticut	20-10	470	—
17. Tulane	22-9	469	—
18. Syracuse	22-10	392	21
19. Iowa St.	21-13	374	—
20. Michigan St.	22-8	326	14
21. Cincinnati	29-5	320	12
22. UNLV	26-2	275	7
23. Massachusetts	30-5	260	17
24. UCLA	28-5	245	4
25. Nebraska	19-10	242	—

Others receiving votes: Texas 171, New Mexico State 158, Illinois 127, N.C. Charlotte 98, California 91, Brigham Young 84, Ohio State 84, Auburn 80, Utah 62, Wake Forest 61, Florida 60, Arkansas 55, Purdue 45, Georgia 44, Alabama 43, Boston College 43, Evansville 36, Oregon State 26, Tennessee 26, Missouri 19, George Washington 16, Southern Illinois 16, Arizona State 10, Mississippi State 8, Minnesota 7, Oklahoma State 4, Vanderbilt 4, Rice 3, Virginia 3, Temple 2, Xavier, Ohio 2, Marquette 1, Miami, Ohio 1, Pepperdine 1, Princeton 1, West Virginia 1.

and very well to be as good a team as I'd like us to be."

Michigan, which was never higher than No. 11 last season and entered the NCAA tournament ranked 15th, was last No. 1 in the final regular-season poll of 1976-77. The Wolverines, then led by Rickie Green, Steve Grote and Phil Hubbard, were beaten in the regional finals by Cornbread Maxwell and North Carolina Charlotte.

Duke ended last season in the No. 1 spot and the Blue Devils have to replace player of the year Christian Laettner and forward Brian Davis. Kansas lost just one starter from last season, as did Indiana.

At No. 8, Memphis State is the highest ranked of the eight teams in the preseason poll who weren't in the last regular-season poll. The Tigers, who lost to Cincinnati in the regional finals, have superb swingman Anfernee Hardaway back among four starters.

Four conferences have four teams each in the rankings. The Big Ten has Michigan, Indiana, Iowa and Michigan State. The Big Eight has Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa State and Nebraska. The Atlantic Coast Conference has Duke, North Carolina, Florida State and Georgia Tech, the first three all in the Top Ten. And, the Big East has Seton Hall, Georgetown, Connecticut and Syracuse.

Loss of QB Moon leaves Oilers with rallying point

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Oilers no longer have a problem identifying their problem.

After a season of inexplicable turmoil, that issue became very clear late in the fourth quarter Sunday when quarterback Warren Moon suffered a broken arm while courageously diving for a first down.

Cody Carlson took over and the Oilers marched in for a touchdown and a 17-13 victory over Minnesota that snapped a two-game losing streak.

Moon is out for three to six weeks and the Oilers no longer must expend their energies wondering if they have enough discipline, if they're focused, calling the right plays or aligned in the correct defense.

At least now they have a rallying point.

"I think the guys will really rally," coach Jack Pardee said Monday. "Cody has played enough that it's not like he's coming in rusty. He came in at Pittsburgh and moved the ball right down the field and he did again yesterday (Sunday)."

The Oilers have spent the past two weeks questioning themselves about their abilities and why they haven't taken command of the AFC Central Division as they were predicted to do in preseason.

"It's not good for the team that we lose a star quarterback," said rookie Bucky Richardson, who will back up Carlson. "But I hope it will help us realize our backs are to the wall and we can all rally together."

Carlson replaced Moon on Nov. 1 when he suffered a concussion against Pittsburgh but the seven-year veteran has seen little playing time in his Oiler career.

"It's still a shame that Warren will miss some games because of the injury but the team goals have not changed," Carlson said. "But we've proven all season that we can fight through disappointment."

Moon has been running more this season and he's been getting hit more while still in the pocket. He was slammed to the turf twice in Sunday's game before his injury.

"Warren has been running but it's been more to keep from getting hit," Pardee said. "You want a quarterback moving to keep from getting hit but Warren made some plays because he was fighting hard trying to win."

Moon sustained the injury diving for a first down at the Viking 21-yard line with 3:03 left in the game.

"They tell me it will be three to six weeks but I'm going to do everything I can to cut down on that and get back as quick as I can," Moon said.

Moon said he expected to need evasive action against the Vikings.

"When you play a good pass rush like they have, you know you'll have to throw the ball quickly or get out," Moon said. "I ran more than I wanted to, but that was because of their excellent rush."

Moon said he would spend extra time working with Richardson, who will get a cram course in the run-and-shoot this week.

Win helps Falcons alleviate 'living on edge' pressure

Associated Press

ATLANTA — No one can say Jerry Glanville didn't issue a warning when he took over the Atlanta Falcons on Jan. 14, 1990.

He promised he would have a team with a "living on the edge" philosophy.

Few would deny he's accomplished that goal.

Atlanta's latest game, a 20-17 victory over the Phoenix Cardinals on Sunday, is a case in point.

There were the end zone laterals between Deion Sanders and Tim McKyer that ended with the Cardinals recovering the ball on the Atlanta 4. It was all to no avail, victim of an obscure NFL rule that essentially ruled the play dead when Sanders' momentum following an interception on the 2 carried him into the end zone.

Later, Glanville and his starting quarterback, Billy Joe Tolliver, had to be separated on the sideline when the coach decided to put backup Wade Wilson in the game after Tolliver had thrown an interception for a touchdown and lost a fumble.

When Glanville sent Wilson on the field with 4:22 to play in a tie game, Tolliver was in the coach's face, yelling, "I'm not coming out."

"We had to remind him who makes the decisions," Glanville said.

"I was frustrated," Tolliver said. "I've had a pretty tough long week, built up a lot of emo-

tions and had a lot of distractions to get out of my mind."

The quarterback was referring to his father, Charles Lee Tolliver, who was accused of transporting illegal drugs in a Colorado court indictment.

"I've never backtalked a coach in my life," Tolliver said. "I was wrong. Maybe if I'd taken care of the ball a little bit better, it wouldn't have happened."

Winning the game helped soothe feelings.

Wilson took the Falcons on a 48-yard drive, completing three passes for 31 yards and adding another 4 yards on a pair of quarterback sneaks.

Norm Johnson extended his streak of successful field goals to six when he kicked a 35-yarder to break the 17-17 deadlock with 50 seconds remaining.

"I thought I had played hard the whole day, and I wanted to be in there to help us win," Tolliver said. "But we won, and that's the main thing."

The Falcons came out of the game without any serious injuries and now have to prepare for one of the AFC's top teams — the Buffalo Bills.

The Phoenix victory lifted Atlanta to 4-6, still two games out of wildcard playoff contention. With games remaining against the Bills, New Orleans Saints, Los Angeles Rams and Dallas Cowboys, playoff chances are remote.

"Being realistic, the playoffs are still a huge longshot," guard Bill Fralic said.

EXPANSION: Rockies still keeping mum about top pick

(From 1C)

ed list and American League clubs add four.

The Rockies, who won a coin toss with the Marlins last week, had the choice of picking first in the first round, or picking first in the second and third rounds. They announced Monday night that they'll go first in the opening round, but did not say who they intended to take.

Nied, however, was a likely candidate.

The Braves left Nied and fellow pitcher Pete Smith and Kent Mercker — along with veteran Charlie Leibrandt — off their protected list, and it looked like they would lose someone right away.

Nied, 24 next month, was 3-0 with a 1.17 ERA for Atlanta this season. He was 14-9 with a 2.84 ERA for Triple-A Richmond.

"From what I understand, Nied already has taken a flight out to Denver," said Casey Close, who represents Mercker. "That's what Kent found out today. That's what he told me."

Nied's agent, Steve Pierce, said he wasn't sure.

"I've heard so much speculation," Pierce said. "I think there's going to be the biggest mass movement in the history of baseball."

The Rockies began this week's movement when they signed the 31-year-old Galarraga for \$500,000 plus the chance to earn another \$600,000 in performance bonuses.

He batted .243 with 10 home runs and 39 RBIs in 95 games for St. Louis.

"Observing him last year with the Cardinals, I know he's a good hitter and he stabilizes first base for us right away," Rockies manager Don Baylor said.

Baylor was the hitting coach for St. Louis in 1992. Galarraga played only one season for the Cardinals, who bought out his contract.

Galarraga, who batted over .300 for Montreal in 1987-88 and twice won the Gold Glove, missed 44 games last season because of a broken wrist, sustained when he was hit by a pitch in the second game of the season.

Galarraga hit .301 with eight home runs and 27 RBIs after July

23 for the Cardinals.

"I thought this summer about signing someone early," Gebhard said. "When I saw Andres Galarraga's name on the free agent list, it set off a red flag."

Two other free agents were signed Monday, although not by major league teams. Mel Hall and Glenn Braggs each agreed to play in Japan.

Hall, who hit .280 with 15 homers and 81 RBIs for the New York Yankees last season, is said to have gotten a two-year, \$4 million deal from the Los Angeles Dodgers. Braggs, who hit .237 with eight homers and 38 RBIs in limited time with Cincinnati, is said to have gotten a two-year deal for \$6 million from the Taiyo Whales.

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N. England	1	9	0	.100

Central

	W	L	T	Pct
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700
Houston	6	4	0	.600
Cleveland	5	5	0	.500
Cincinnati	4	6	0	.400
West	7	3	0	.700

West

	W	L	T	Pct
Denver	7	3	0	.700
Kan. City	6	4	0	.600
San Diego	5	5	0	.500
LA Raiders	4	6	0	.400
Seattle	1	9	0	.100

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East

	W	L	T	Pct
Dallas	8	2	0	.800
Phil.	7	3	0	.700
Washington	6	4	0	.600
NY Giants	5	5	0	.500
Phoenix	3	7	0	.300

Central

	W	L	T	Pct
Chicago	6	4	0	.600
Green Bay	4	6	0	.400
Tampa Bay	4	6	0	.400
Detroit	2	8	0	.200

West

	W	L	T	Pct
San Fran	8	2	0	.800
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700
Atlanta	4	6	0	.400
LA Rams	4	6	0	.400

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New York Jets 17, Cincinnati 14
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Houston 17, Minnesota 17
New England 37, Indianapolis 17
Green Bay 27, Philadelphia 17
Atlanta 20, Phoenix 17
San Diego 14, Cleveland 13
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	W	L	T	Pct
New York	4	2	0	.667
Miami	3	3	0	.500
Orlando	3	3	0	.500
New Jersey	3	3	0	.500
Boston	2	4	0	.333
Philadelphia	1	5	0	.167
Washington	1	5	0	.167

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pct
Chicago	5	1	0	.833
Milwaukee	4	2	0	.667
Indianapolis	3	3	0	.500
Cleveland	3	3	0	.500
Atlanta	2	4	0	.333
Detroit	2	4	0	.333
Charlotte	2	4	0	.333

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Midwest Division

	W	L	T	Pct
Utah	3	2	0	.600
Houston	3	2	0	.600
Minnesota	2	3	0	.400
Dallas	1	3	2	.333
Denver	1	4	2	.250
San Antonio	1	4	2	.250

Pacific Division

NFL Summ

Suns burn Sonics

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Tom Chambers scored eight of his 16 points in the fourth quarter Monday night, helping the Phoenix Suns hand the Seattle SuperSonics their first loss of the season, 117-108.

Charles Barkley led the Suns with 28 points and 12 rebounds, while Dan Majerle scored 22 points. However, Barkley and Majerle scored only four points apiece in the final quarter.

Derrick McKee and Shawn Kemp had 19 points each for Seattle, which started the season 4-0. Gary Payton scored 18 and Dana Barros 17 for the SuperSonics.

The Suns led by 10 points at each break — 40-30 after one quarter, 66-56 at halftime and 93-83 after three quarters.

In each of the first three periods, the Sonics rallied, only to fall back again.

Phoenix had a 19-7 lead with seven minutes left in the first quarter before Barros hit nine consecutive points in a 2-06 span, closing Seattle to 25-18.

NBA Roundup

Trail Blazers 109, Knicks 94
PORTLAND, Ore. — Cliff Robinson, Mario Elie and Mark Bryant provided the spark off the bench as the Portland Trail Blazers beat New York to become the only unbeaten team left in the young NBA season.

Robinson scored 14 of his 21 points in the first half, when Portland led by as many as 16, then scored five more in the final quarter, when the Blazers pulled away after a Knicks rally.

Elie and Bryant, who spent much of the game guarding Patrick Ewing despite a distinct height disadvantage, also had crucial fourth-quarter baskets as Portland improved to 5-0. Seattle, the only other NBA team to start 4-0, lost at Phoenix on Monday night.

Ewing scored 26 points and John Starks 21 for the Knicks, who pulled within one in the third quarter, but couldn't catch the Blazers.

Navratilova breezes past Maleeva-Fragniere

NEW YORK (AP) — Martina Navratilova opened the Virginia Slims Championships with yet another victory, one so convincing that the only question was how many season-ending titles she has won.

Navratilova, the fourth seed, sped past Switzerland's Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere 6-2, 6-2 Monday night to begin the singles portion of the week-long, season-ending tournament, an event she hasn't won since 1986.

Top-seeded Monica Seles then took just 50 minutes to join Navratilova in the quarterfinals, stopping Nathalie Tauziat of France 6-1, 6-2.

Tournament records show Navratilova has won this elite event four times, through November 1986. But that's just for starters. In 1983, the Virginia Slims Championships was an invitational event and not a season-ending tournament. Navratilova won that.

She also won in 1979 and 1981, when it was the Avon Championships and marked the end of the Avon-sponsored indoor season. Then there was 1978 Virginia Slims Championships. Whatever that was — and no one Monday night could remember right away

Navratilova captured the title. Navratilova also has been the losing finalist here five times, including each of the last two years.

Against Maleeva-Fragniere, it was Navratilova at the peak of her game. After cruising through the opening two games, testing the court, seeing how fast the balls were, evaluating her opponent's and her own games, Navratilova let loose.

"I'm playing as well as I can. I think at times I play as well as ever I have in my career," Navratilova said. "It's hard to always be consistent. It becomes more difficult to always be at your best. But I'm playing really, good tennis."

Seles also was 'awesome. She ripped through the first set in 17 minutes before Tauziat found a way to slow down the juggernaut — not stop her, just slow her down.

After the two held serve to begin the match, Seles won the next nine games, closing out the first set and taking a 4-0 lead in the second.

"I think I lost a little of my concentration," Seles said. "My mind wandered off at 4-0."

Not far enough to help Tauziat, who managed to hold her next

two service games. But by then it was much too late. For the third straight year, Tauziat was eliminated in the opening round.

In her match, Navratilova attacked everything, occasionally being passed, but always dictating the action. At 35, she had too many weapons and too much experience for Maleeva-Fragniere's baseline game.

"She played very, very well," Maleeva-Fragniere said of her conqueror.

"My legs were heavy and I think she felt it and she put even more pressure on me."

In the fifth game of the opening set, Navratilova was caught at the net with a beautiful lob. She raced back and kept the ball in play, only to have Maleeva-Fragniere smash the ball into the corner.

Guessing correctly, Navratilova was there, but she could only throw up a defensive lob. Again the right-hander hit a smash into the corner. Again, the tournament's oldest player guessed right. And again a defensive lob went up.

On the next ball to come back over the net, Navratilova was ready, her feet squarely under her, and she rifled a backhand

cross-court that zipped past Maleeva-Fragniere for a winner. Navratilova pumped her arms in triumph.

The body language of both players told the story after that. Navratilova was confident, Maleeva-Fragniere waiting for the night to end.

Only in the sixth game of the second set did Navratilova have trouble, and she caused that herself with sloppy service game. She lost her serve, but broke right back to go up 5-2, then held at 15 to close out the victory.

On Tuesday, No. 2 Steffi Graf will play Lori McNeil, No. 6 Mary Joe Fernandez takes on Jana Novotna and No. 8 Conchita Martinez battles Katerina Maleeva. The opening round of singles wraps up Wednesday with No. 5 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario playing Zina Garrison, No. 7 Jennifer Capriati meeting Helena Sukova and No. 3 Gabriela Sabatini taking on Amy Frazier.

The tournament wraps up Sunday with a unique best-of-5-sets final, the only time during the year the women play more than best-of-3. Sunday's winner will collect \$250,000, with \$120,000 going to the runnerup.

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Preventive Measures

Moth-proofing at Comet Cleaners preserves clothing



The laundry finishers at Comet Cleaners add the final touches to fine clothing articles. The laundry finishers include (from left) Mary Navariz, Margie Lazoma, Georgia Spoon, Alicia Sotos and Martha Parra.

By Billie Jo Corbell

This is the time of year that we begin seeing damages to wool that many people believe are caused by the flying moth. Contrary to belief, it is not the moth but the larvae of the moth that causes the damage.

By the time the moth flies, it has passed through the larvae stage. The female moth lays her eggs, usually in the nap of a wool sweater, blanket, rug or other woven material.

The moths thrive in dark places — when the egg hatches, the larvae emerges and feeds on the wool fabric. If the fabric has not been cleaned prior to storage, the larvae will feed on the spots and stains left on the garment.

At times, you will be able to see the little oval eggs in the holes of the fabric, usually after the damage

is already done. However, some times the damage is not detected until after the garment is returned from the dry cleaners.

Even with thorough inspection and cleaning, moth damage is not always detected by your dry cleaner. The fabric could have been weakened by the moth larvae, and even the delicate care of a dry cleaner could cause the weakened yarns to break, creating a tear or hole in the garment.

The holes are discovered when you pick up your order at the cleaners, and unaware of a moth problem, you might assume that the cleaners are responsible for the damage.

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Although Comet Cleaners can't repair the damage caused by the moth larvae, they can offer a few preventive measures. According to The International Fabricare Institute, the dry cleaning process will kill the moths and eggs, but it doesn't prevent reinfestation.

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Holiday Savings: Lifetime Siding & Window focuses on home improvement for holidays



Nell Letkeman, owner of Lifetime Siding and Window Company, oversees the installation of vinyl siding, an affordable alternative to the high maintenance of a painted exterior. For a limited time, Lifetime is offering a 25% savings on vinyl siding.

Before you start adorning your home with lights for the holidays, make sure the exterior of your home is in the best possible condition. There couldn't be a better time for home improvement because Lifetime Siding and Window Company is offering a 25% savings on vinyl siding and soffit and fascia systems.

The sale will continue through the end of November, and all jobs will be complete by December 20, just in time for Christmas. With 11 colors to choose from, the exterior of

your home will be full of cheer for the holidays!

Have you ever asked yourself why you keep painting and repainting your home's exterior? Why you spend weekends, holidays and vacation time scraping and painting your home? Why you contract costly painters?

You could call Lifetime Siding and Window Company for a free price quote on professionally installed, maintenance-free steel or vinyl siding.

There are many reasons why

Lifetime has become the number one siding company in Midland - one is low prices.

Cecil Hernandez refers his friends and neighbors to Lifetime Siding & Window Company. "I got several quotes on soffit, fascia and storm windows from other businesses, but no one came close to Lifetime's bid," he said. "We are extremely pleased with their work."

The fact that they use only the highest quality American-made materials is one of the reasons homeowners turn to Lifetime Siding for home improvement.

According to Neil Letkeman, the company owner, superior installation methods largely contribute to the success of Lifetime Siding. "Today's homeowners are looking for the highest quality products at the lowest price," Neil said.

They start by replacing any rotten or warped boards; they refasten loose boards; and they make sure all the wood on the house is in good shape before they start installing siding.

When installing siding, Lifetime Siding uses screws and rivets in all critical areas of installation. It doesn't take an engineer to figure out that screws and rivets secure siding better than staples and nails.

I had friends who had bad experiences with other contractors," Cecil said. "One friend had soffit and fas-

cia installed with staples, and before long, it was warping. I won't have to worry about that on my house because Lifetime uses screws and rivets in his installations. The job Lifetime Siding did for us really improved the appearance of our home."

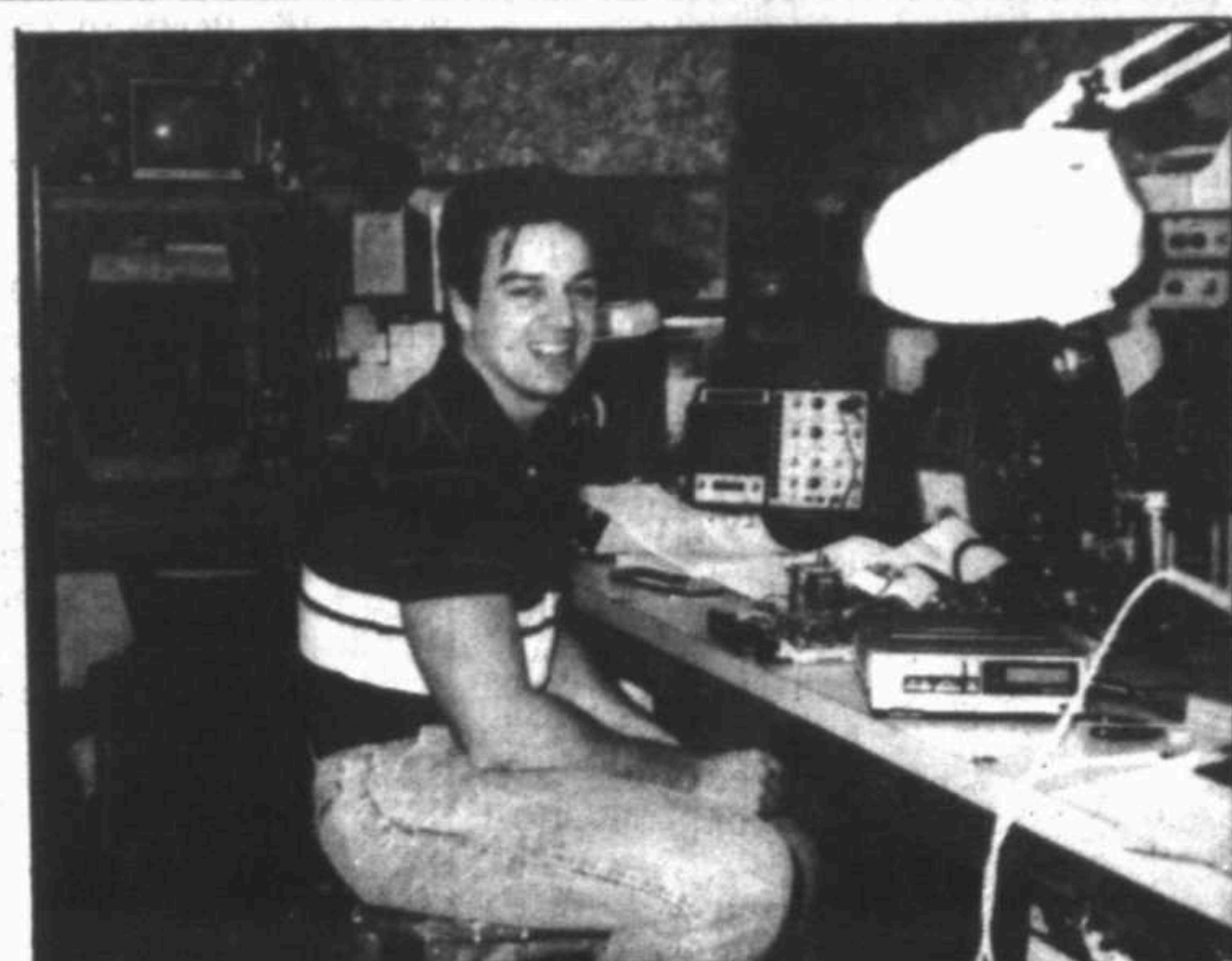
These installation methods, together with the highest quality lifetime warranted steel or vinyl siding will give a home a permanent solution to painting problems.

Lifetime Siding also offers a 15-year labor warranty.

For energy efficiency, protection for home and family, noise and dust reduction as well as overall savings, Neil recommends storm replacement windows for your home. Storm windows, which are great for insulation are also available in tinted glass. In the long run, replacement dual glass thermal break windows are solid investments.

Lifetime Siding and Window are the home improvement specialist - they also sell and install storm doors, rain gutters and metal carports.

Don't overlook home improvements when planning for the holidays. If you have ever considered siding your home or installing new windows, this is the best time of year to get a free, no obligation estimate. Call Lifetime Siding & Window Company at 689-0307.



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The combined experience of owners Ed Huwa and Denny Mills offers more than 60 years of expertise in the electronics field.

Huwa, a retired Air Force senior noncommissioned officer, has vast knowledge and experience in the electronic repair business. In fact, in every nationwide competition held by Sharp Electronic Corporation from 1989 to 1992, he has been designated as one of the top 10 television technicians in the country.

Mills also retired from the Air Force as a senior noncommissioned officer. His forte is management and administration. By concentrating exclusively on this area of business, he can efficiently oversee operations at both Delta locations.

Delta Electronics of Midland, which has been in business for over five years is part of a parent organization - 12-year-old Delta Electronics of San Angelo. From these two locations, the company provides top-of-the-line service to patrons in West Texas and eastern New Mexico.

Huwa, Mills and the entire staff at Delta are proud of their company and take a great deal of pride in their work. They are enthusiastic about providing professional service.

Delta Electronics is located at the Midkiff Business Center, 1308 S. Midkiff Rd., Suite 303. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call them at 683-3582.

The Perfect Fit

Pennyrich bras combine fit and style

By Jo Smith

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Other types of bras that can be found at Pennyrich include Jezebel,

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Be sure to attend Open House on Nov. 20 & 21.

nient or uncomfortable to be fitted during store hours.

The Pennyrich Shop also carries beautiful lingerie, swimwear, fragrances, patio dresses by Southern Image, health and gift items. AvaCare Plus skin care, an all natural and organic product that is directed towards improved health as well as beautiful appearance, is also offered at Pennyrich.

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The One Day Diet is designed to keep your body from knowing it's on a diet. Since you haven't lowered your metabolism, you will not regain the weight when you stop the diet. You will be able to easily maintain your new body weight by eating sensibly and incorporating healthful and moderate exercises. At last, you've found the diet that's right for you.

Jo Smith welcomes you to the Old Town Midland Open House on Dodson Street November 20 and 21. Register for gift certificates with all Dodson Street Merchants in the designated Old Town Midland while sampling some of Jo's delectable hot spiced punch.

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Prices rebound

NEW YORK — Energy prices rallied Monday in anticipation of possible OPEC production cuts and cold weather in the northeastern United States.

Crude oil stayed above \$20 a barrel thanks to early speculation that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will agree to lower production to stabilize prices when it meets in Vienna next week.

West Texas Intermediate for delivery in December settled at \$20.37 per barrel, up 29 cents, at the New York Mercantile Exchange. That erased a 13-cent drop the previous session.

Local crude purchasers such as Scurlock Permian and Navajo Refining raised their posted price 25 cents to \$19.

Natural gas prices slipped, with contracts for delivery in December settling at \$2.420 per 1,000 cubic feet, down 3.0 cents.

At the New York Mercantile Exchange, lower-grade sour crude for delivery in December settled at \$18.32 per barrel, up 29 cents.

T-bills rise

WASHINGTON — Interest rates on short-term Treasury securities rose in Monday's auction to the highest levels since the summer.

The Treasury Department sold \$11.8 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 3.13 percent, up from 3.10 percent last week. An additional \$11.9 billion was sold in six-month bills at an average discount rate of 3.37 percent, up from 3.31 percent last week.

The three-month bill rate was the highest since they sold for 3.17 percent on Aug. 31. The six-month bill rate was the highest since they averaged 3.66 percent on June 29.

Dollar rallies

NEW YORK — The dollar resumed its rally Monday, rising on the heels of fresh reports pointing toward a reviving U.S. economy.

In New York the dollar settled at 124.70 yen, up from 124.05 yen on Friday.

In New York it cost \$1.5245 to buy one pound, less expensive than Friday's \$1.5505.

Market dives

NEW YORK — Stock prices fell Monday in a wary response to accumulating evidence that the economy is gathering strength.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials dropped 27.29 points to 3,205.74.

The Nasdaq composite index, which hit a nine-month high Friday, dropped back 3.15 to 634.01. At the Amex, the market value index was down 2.86 at 386.83.



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Fed may raise rates, experts say

■ Barring weak economic reports, Federal Reserve may raise interest rates by spring, analysts say.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — No quick changes in interest rates are expected from the Federal Reserve, but analysts said Monday that the central bank may start pushing interest rates higher during President-elect Clinton's first year in office.

The Fed's top policy-making group, the Federal Open Market Committee, meets behind closed doors today, its first session on interest rates since the election. Until recently, many economists had been forecasting that the central bank would decide to push interest rates down again in the face of continued economic weakness.

However, the prevailing view now is that barring any surprisingly weak economic reports, the Fed has made its last interest rate cut and could very well start raising rates by late spring.

"I believe policy will stay on hold for a while until they see what the new administration is going to do," said David Wyss, an economist at DRI-McGraw Hill Inc. "Depending on what the new administration's program looks like, they might well start raising rates around midyear."

Based on that view, many analysts believed that consumer and business rates will show little movement over the next six months.

Many analysts suggested that banks' prime lending rate, the benchmark rate for many business and consumer loans, will remain at 6 percent probably until mid-1993.

An idle Fed would be quite a change from the activist stance the central bank has taken over the past three years. It cut interest rates 24 times as it struggled against a recession and lingering slowdown.

The last reduction came in September following a disappointing unemployment report when the central bank reduced its target for the federal funds rate, the interest banks charge each other on overnight loans, to 3 percent.

During the past recession, the Fed's rate cuts were basically the only tool government had to spur the economy because of the gridlock between Congress and the White House over budget and tax policy.

But in a joint news conference Monday, Clinton and Democratic leaders of Congress signaled that the era of gridlock was over.

"The Fed is going from the front seat where they were basically the only game in town during the Bush administration to the back seat," said David Jones, an economist at Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. "Now instead of monetary policy, all of the emphasis will be on fiscal

policy."

Economists said that the Fed is hesitant to do more to spur the economy on the interest-rate side of the equation because of the uncertainty over just what Clinton and Congress will come up with.

Long-term interest rates, which are more influenced by financial markets than Fed decisions, have been headed up for two months out of fear that a Democratic president and a Democratic Congress would cause already huge budget deficits to soar, thus opening the door for greater inflationary pressures.

Fixed-rate mortgages, which reflect changes in long-term bond rates, have headed higher for two months. After dropping to a 19-year low of 7.84 percent in early September, mortgage rates hit 8.32 percent last week, the highest level since last June, according to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

While many analysts said they believed home mortgage rates will not rise further, others forecast rates could hit 8.75 percent by next March, if market worries about Clinton's impact on the budget deficit persist.

In this environment, economists said, the Fed doesn't want to add to inflationary worries by cutting interest rates further, a move that can also lead to inflationary pressures down the road. The Fed may have the luxury to await Clinton's program because recent economic statistics have offered a glimmer of hope that the economy is finally turning upward.

FCC's long-distance rate policy unlawful, court says

WASHINGTON (AP) — An appeals court has ruled unlawful a Federal Communications Commission practice of allowing some long-distance companies to set rates without publicly filing them with the commission.

The ruling came late Friday in a suit brought by American Telephone & Telegraph, which is required to file its rates with the commission while its chief rival, MCI, has not been.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia found that the FCC should have been requiring all long-distance carriers and not just AT&T to file their rates with the commission.

Judge Laurence Silberman, writing for himself and Judges Patricia Wald and David Sentelle, said that the FCC's policy was "plainly contrary" to the law and "simply not defensible in this court."

He said the law plainly states that "every" carrier "shall" file its rates.

The ruling applies to all rates but the dispute centered on business deals made by the carriers.

AT&T complained that it was required to disclose its arrangements with customers publicly while its competitors have been able to keep such information secret. It said that gave its rivals an unfair advantage.

FCC spokesman Steve Svab said the commission "is reviewing its options and will know in a short time what its next step will be."

"This is one of the most important events in years in the nearly \$60 billion long-distance market because customers will be able to see the terms of deals formerly hidden behind closed doors," said Joseph P. Nacchio, president of AT&T's business communications services unit.

MCI had no immediate comment.

Industrial production perks up, figures show

WASHINGTON (AP) — Industrial production in October perked up after a summer slump, helped by a large gain in light truck manufacturing, the government said Monday.

The Federal Reserve said output at factories, mines and utilities rose a modest 0.3 percent last month, only the second increase in five months. Output had fallen 0.2 percent in September and 0.3 percent in August.

Meanwhile, in another positive sign, the Commerce Department said a worrisome buildup in business inventories halted, or at least paused, in September.

Inventories were unchanged after rising in June, July and August. Business sales jumped 1.3 percent, reversing an identical decline in August.

The combination of rising sales and unchanged inventories bodes well for future factory production, economists said.

But they cautioned against drawing too much optimism from Monday's reports. The figures indicate industrial growth has improved a bit since the summer, but is still far from strong, they said.

Factories laid off 56,000 workers in October, but the work week and overtime hours for existing employees increased. Eventually, if the economy continues to improve, factories would come under pressure to start rehiring.

"That's the million-dollar question," said economist Priscilla Trumbull of the WEFA Group, a forecasting firm in Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

She said manufacturers have been shedding workers in a long-term effort to keep costs down and stay ahead of foreign competitors. That's counterbalanced the normally expected employment gains during a recovery.

"I think the best we can do over the

next three to six months is stop the flow of jobs out of manufacturing," she said.

Some analysts were disappointed that much of the October rise in production seemed concentrated in light trucks, which were assembled at an annual rate of 4.4 million units, up from 3.8 million the month before. Automobiles were assembled at a 5.5 million annual rate, the same as September.

Excluding autos and trucks, overall industrial production rose just 0.1 percent.

However, economist Paul W. Boltz of T. Rowe Price Associates in Baltimore said, "Light truck sales are changing the complexion of the auto industry in a very profound way. Many of these light trucks now are viewed by consumers as interchangeable with automobiles."

Manufacturing in October rose 0.3 percent.



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Shaking on a deal

Intel President Andrew Grove, right, and Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates, to team up to produce Video for Windows, which will allow users to incorporate video in standard computer software.

Rexene Corp. reports 3rd-quarter earnings

DALLAS (AP) — Rexene Corp. said Monday it earned \$95.7 million in the third quarter, chiefly from a one-time gain of \$123.7 million for debt forgiveness from the Chapter 11 restructuring completed in the period.

The plastics maker also took a \$31.8 million charge in the quarter for costs associated with the reorganization.

Rexene's profit was \$3.04 per share in the three months ending Sept. 30. The company lost \$9.99 million, or 32 cents per share, during the same period a year ago. Rexene entered Chapter 11 last October but charged \$2.4 million worth of restructuring costs to its 1991 third quarter.

INVESTORS' GUIDE

Fears of banking catastrophe unjustified

By Bill Doyle

Q: During October, there were stories in print and on the airwaves saying the Bush administration was sweeping the banking industry's financial problems under the rug and, after the presidential election, so many banks will fail that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. will go bust, causing depositors to lose billions of dollars.

Are we faced with that catastrophe now?

A: The election has come and gone. The "November banking surprise" predicted by some Cassandras has not happened. It's most unlikely it will.

Actually, the banking industry is in better financial shape now than it has been in a long time. Most banks are making money hand over fist, because they charge more interest on loans than they pay on certificates of deposit, savings accounts and other deposits.



Doyle

That's the basic way a bank profits — by taking in more interest than it pays out.

If you read newspaper financial sections, you should know most banks are reporting improved — even record — profits.

The U.S. economy would have to get much worse than it is now, resulting in a tremendous surge of loan defaults or late payments, before the banking industry would hit the skids.

I'm not playing Pollyanna and saying there will be no more bank failures. There will be. However, the FDIC says it can handle more than 100 banks going under this year, up to 125 next year and future failures without even dipping into the \$30 billion line of credit the FDIC has with the U.S. Treasury.

The important thing to remember is that no one has ever lost any money covered by federal deposit insurance. It's not really going out on a limb to say no one ever will.

Q: The bank in which I had two CDs totaling \$94,602 failed and was taken over by another bank in which I have close to the FDIC \$100,000 coverage limit.

What happens to my FDIC coverage

in the event of failure — heaven forbid! — of the second bank? Should I immediately withdraw my money from the CDs I obtained at the first bank? They don't mature until August and September 1993?

A: Don't touch those CDs. They will remain fully insured until their maturity dates, as is always the case when the deposits of a failed bank are acquired by another bank.

However, that second bank might notify you it is reducing the interest paid on the CDs and other deposits it took over from the failed bank.

If that happens, the bank is required to give you two weeks' notice. During that time, you could redeem your two CDs without an early-withdrawal penalty. You would get back the money you put into the CDs plus accumulated interest.

Q: The lender holding the mortgage on my home sold that mortgage to another lender. I had to stop payment to the first mortgage holder, to whom I had been making payments through my bank.

My bank fined me \$27.50. Did I do something wrong?

A: Not as you relate what happened. But somebody goofed.

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If that's the case, the mortgage holders should have notified the bank about the change.

And, if you write checks for mortgage payments, the lenders should have notified you to send payments to the new lender.

However, if you had already sent the most recent payment to that first lender and stopped payment on that check, it was only natural for your bank to levy what you call a "fine" — a stop-payment charge.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but is able to provide answers only through the column.

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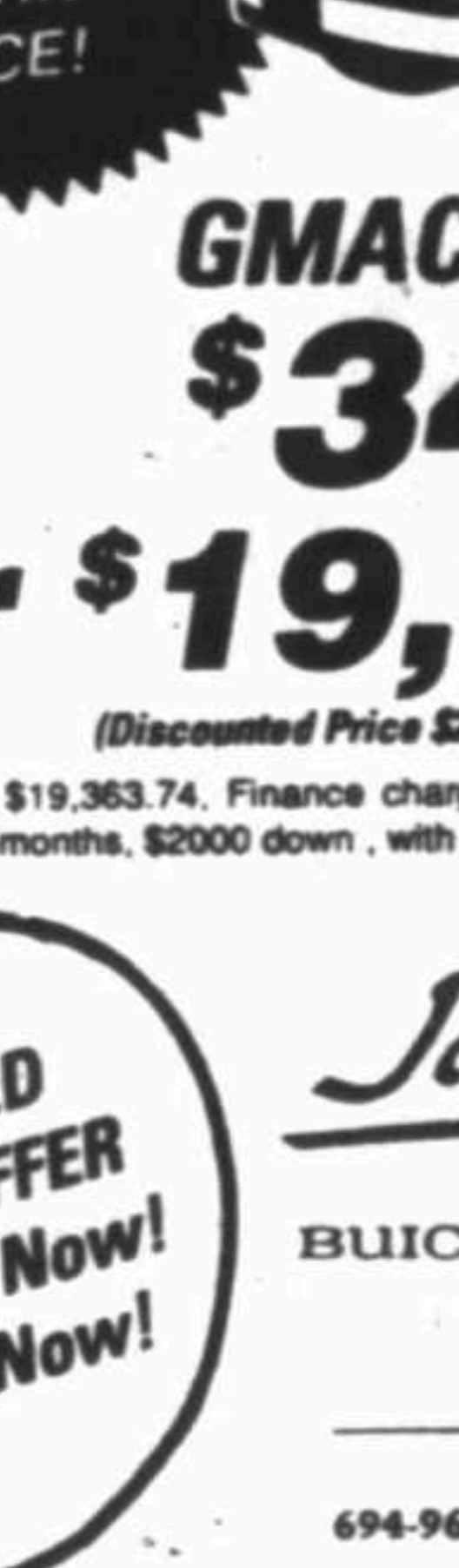
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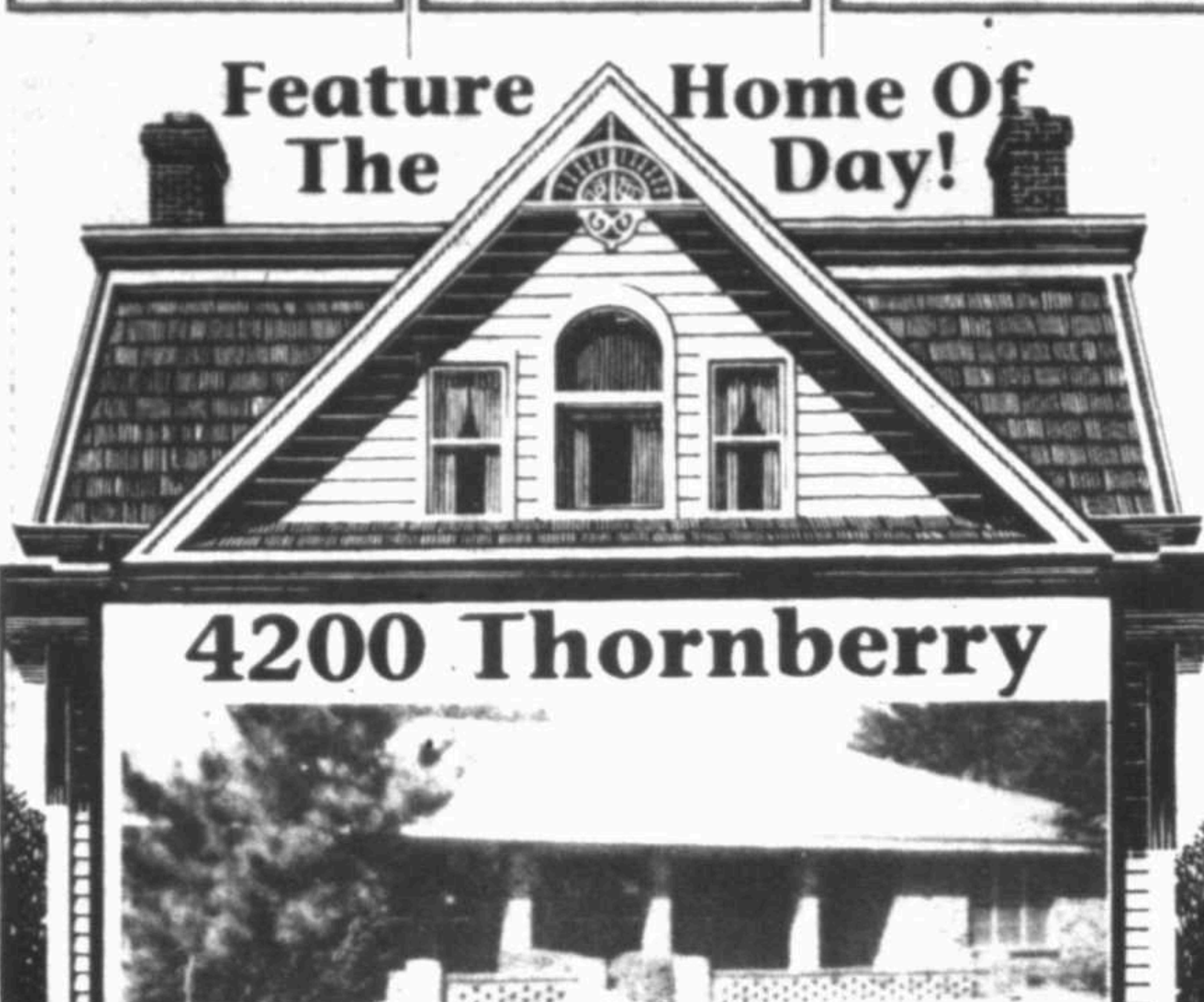
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