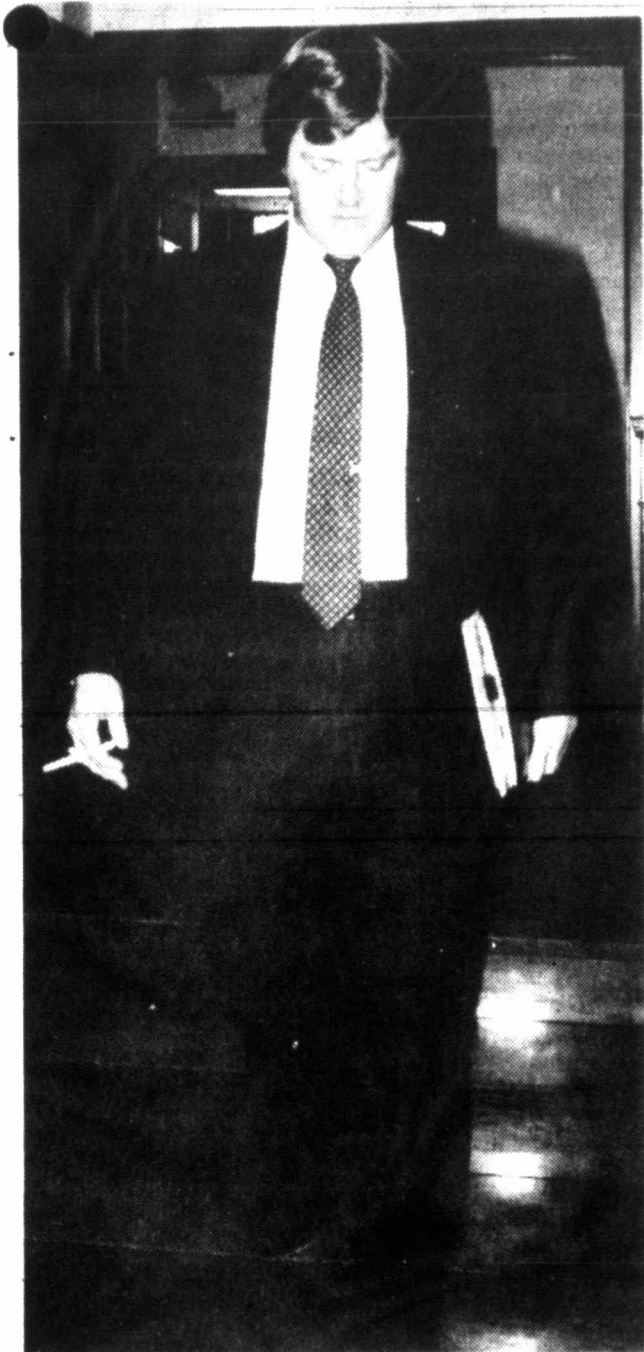




FORECAST — Variable cloudiness with a chance of thunderstorms continuing through Friday. High today and Friday in the 70s. Low near 50. Southeasterly winds at 10-20 mph and gusting. Lake wind warnings in effect. High Wednesday, 66; low, 40.



JIM LAFAVERS: He taped Pampans

Pampans' remarks secretly taped

BY JEFF LANGLEY
Senior Staff Writer

In the past few weeks, if you talked to a snappily-dressed, middle-aged man who asked for your opinion about the drilling war in the Texas Panhandle Field, don't smile. You weren't on Candid Camera, but the chances are good that the friendly investigator or "poll taker" was secretly taping your conversation.

And don't be surprised if someday, somewhere, when you least expect it, you hear your "casual" conversation played back in court.

An investigator working for Templeton and Garner, the Amarillo law firm representing the Dorchester Corporation in a lawsuit against an independent oil producer, revealed Wednesday in Pampa district court that he secretly recorded the conversations he had with several Pampa residents.

Those whose conversations were taped without their knowledge include ordinary working people, public officials and prominent Pampa businessmen.

Many of the residents questioned and taped were later subpoenaed to testify in a hearing on Dorchester's motion to move the trial of its lawsuit from Pampa to Amarillo.

In some cases, the residents' casual opinions captured on the secret tape don't match up with the story that they told

under oath in testimony in the change-of-venue hearing, the investigator testified Wednesday.

The man who made the recordings is Jim LaFavers, a former Amarillo police officer who now works full-time for the law firm. He was responsible for rounding up the witnesses called by the firm in the hearing to decide whether Dorchester can get a fair trial in Pampa.

LaFavers said many of his targets, who would later become witnesses at the hearing, were selected "usually at random," "sometimes from the phone book."

"I tried to get a cross-section (of Pampa residents)," he said.

Two witnesses, Pampa Chamber of Commerce Manager Floyd Sackett and Pampa realtor Mike Ward, testified earlier that LaFavers walked into their offices off the street, told them he was a "poll taker," and struck up a conversation about the drilling war between major companies and independent producers and about Dorchester's chances for a fair trial here.

Sackett said LaFavers "argued" with him about the issues, and Ward said his conversation with the investigator "seemed like a debate."

LaFavers testified that he never identified himself as a poll taker. He said he always told local residents that he is an investigator working for Dorchester's lawyers.

What Sackett and Ward didn't know at the time was that while LaFavers discussed the issues with them, their offered opinions were being taped for possible use in court.

On a cross-examination Wednesday, the investigator revealed that he had taped his conversations with "quite a few" Pampa residents. LaFavers told Broadus Spivey, a lawyer representing the Harlow Corporation, the independent that Dorchester is suing, that he recently recorded the words of about "ten or twelve" local citizens. Some were included in the 26 witnesses Dorchester later called to try to prove the company can't get a fair trial here.

Spivey asked LaFavers which residents he had taped. Dorchester counsel Bob Templeton objected to the question, "because it has not been shown to be relevant."

That objection was sustained, but Spivey was eventually successful in getting LaFavers to name the names from the witness stand.

The investigator said he used a miniature tape recorder hidden in his coat pocket to record the parties without their consent. Some were also called on the phone and secretly recorded, LaFavers said.

"How many did you tell or inform that they were being

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Judge delays ruling on Dorchester motion

Trial of the Dorchester Corporation's lawsuit against an independent oil producer was delayed until June 18, but 100th District Judge Robert Montgomery of Memphis didn't rule on the major company's motion to move the trial from Pampa to Amarillo.

Testimony in a four-day hearing on Dorchester's motion to move the trial ended late Wednesday afternoon, after long-time Gray County Sheriff Rufe Jordan proclaimed that the major company would receive a fair trial in Pampa.

Dorchester claims that it can't seat an impartial jury here in its lawsuit against the Harlow Corporation, an Amarillo-based independent producer. The major company says the importance of the money and jobs that the independents create in the Pampa economy makes for an overwhelming bias here in favor of the small operators.

Ironically, Dorchester was acquired last Friday by the New York-based Damson Oil Corporation, an independent oil company that manages limited partnerships in oil and gas wells.

Dorchester is suing Harlow over the rights to produce petroleum products in a section of land in Gray County, part of a 49,000-acre section producing oil and gas in Gray and Carson Counties. Dorchester claims the "gas rights" in the section. Harlow claims the "oil rights." The major company alleges that the independent is pumping natural gas that belongs to Dorchester. Harlow denies the charge, saying its four wells in the section produce oil and "casinghead gas."

The outcome of the district-court "title dispute" could affect rulings pending before the Railroad Commission and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in the overall drilling battle in the field, according to the lawyers involved in the suit.

After the end of the fourth day of testimony in the change-of-venue hearing, Judge Montgomery accepted Dorchester's motion to delay the trial. The trial date for the lawsuit was reset from April 30 to June 18.

The judge said he will consider each side's written briefs before ruling on the motion to move the trial out of Pampa.

Floyd Sackett, chamber of commerce manager, mechanic Darrell Gibson and windmill operator Lonnie Kotara were called by the defendants on Wednesday and agreed that Dorchester could get a fair trial here.

Jordan, county sheriff for 34 years and a 70-year resident of the county, repeated the favorable prospects for a fair trial.

"Why, yes, yes. I think anyone can get a fair trial in this county. I think Dorchester or anyone else can get a fair trial in this county," Jordan testified.

The sheriff was shown a newspaper advertisement supporting the independents' position in order to solicit Jordan's opinion about whether the ad could have an effect on potential jurors.

"Well, I see this was back in December of '82, Bob. I'd have to ask you how long this has been going on...or maybe I better withdraw the question," Jordan rasped, to the

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Soviets testing a 'sea monster'

LONDON (AP) — The Soviet navy is testing the "Caspian Monster," a Buck Rogers-style surface skimmer designed to whisk assault battalions on their way to surprise attacks, a Jane's yearbook reported today.

Also being developed by the Soviets are hovercraft warships to build a high-speed fleet by the year 2000, said Jane's, which publishes authoritative source books on military systems.

Ray McLeavy, editor of Jane's Surface Skimmers, said the U.S. Navy is moving toward its own version of the "Monster," which cruises over water at heights of between 11 to 46 feet.

The craft, with speeds of up to 345 mph, or 300 knots, would radically alter the rapid deployment concept and allow commanders to swiftly land large numbers of assault troops with battle tanks and full support almost anywhere in the world within days.

In the West, the name of the strange-looking craft, a jet-powered fuselage with stubby wings, is a mouthful — power-augmented ram wing-in-ground effect machine or PAR-WIG. The Soviets call it an Ekranoplan, but it has gained the nickname "Caspian Monster" because it is being tested on the Caspian Sea.

The Americans see PAR-WIG as "a possible alternative to the C-5A heavy transport aircraft" that airlifts the Rapid Deployment Force, McLeavy said.

He said PAR-WIG would have a greater range and be able to carry a heavier payload than the C-5 Galaxy, the biggest military plane in service in the world.

The Soviet navy's "Caspian Monster" has eight turbine engines mounted on stub wings plus two booster jets on the tail.

At take-off, the thrust from the eight forward engines is deflected downward to create a cushion of pressure under the wings. Once airborne, the exhausts are directed above the wings' upper surfaces to create additional lift.



FIERY CRASH—An Edmond, Okla., man was killed Wednesday in this fiery crash on Interstate 35 after his car was hit by a semi-trailer truck in a six-vehicle pileup.

Major S. Ferguson, 39, was trapped in the burning car despite efforts to rescue him. No one else was injured in the accident in southeast Oklahoma City.

Texas' topsoil in scary shape

HOUSTON (AP) — A dry spell and spring winds have created a "scary situation" by damaging topsoil on more than 1.6 million acres of Texas farm land, according to a soils specialist.

Dr. B.L. Harris, with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, says relief is still a long way off because there are six weeks left in the state's "blow season," which lasts from March through May.

He said 1.3 million acres of cropland were damaged through the end of March and 52,800 acres of crops destroyed. Another 300,000 to 500,000 acres were damaged, he said, by the middle of April.

"This year is very much like last in that we are going into it very dry, but it may be a little worse because of the lower crop production last year," said Harris. Sparse crops left less plant residue in the fields to protect the soil from the wind, he said.

The major problems are in the southern half of the High Plains, south of Lubbock, and in the southern Rolling Plains, an area from San Angelo to the Red River. The dust is whipped from fields in these areas, said Harris, because the land is used to grow row crops such as cotton and grain sorghum.

Harris said wheat fields are not blowing now because the maturing wheat crops protect the soil. Corn, he said, is generally irrigated and creates few soil erosion problems.

Harris said the soils in the most damage-prone areas are fine sandy loam that have fine particles that can be easily carried away by the wind. The blowing soil takes with it organic matter and fertilizer, which cling to fine particles, he said.

"You are left with just a bunch of sterile sand, plus you get dunes or hummocks," said Harris.

There have been "substantial" sandstorms in the High Plains in recent weeks, he said, but he added that rainfall could change the situation quickly.

Economy booms

Robust growth continues to astonish experts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The economy grew an astonishing 8.3 percent from January through March, the government reported today, as the pace of the nation's recovery from the recession continued to confound the experts.

The Commerce Department last month had estimated economic growth, after adjusting for inflation, at 7.2 percent, far above the 6 percent predicted by most economists.

That preliminary "flash" estimate was based on data from January and February, when business activity as measured by various government indicators was extremely brisk.

After a string of reports showing much slower March activity, however, most economists predicted the 7.2 percent estimate would be revised downward, probably to 6 percent to 6.5 percent.

Instead, the department's revision announced today raised growth, as measured by the gross national product, to 8.3 percent, compared to 5

percent in the final three months of 1983.

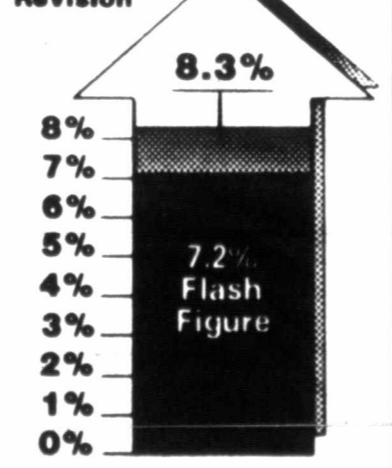
The department said real GNP increased \$31.8 billion in the first quarter, due mainly to large increases in personal consumption spending and business inventory investment.

About half the increase in business inventory investment came from an \$8.7 billion jump in farm inventories, due primarily to the receipt of crops by farmers under the federal government's payment-in-kind subsidy program.

The overall January-March surge of 8.3 percent was the strongest showing since a 9.7 percent increase in GNP during the April-June period last year as the recovery from the 1981-82 recession was beginning to pick up steam. That increase was followed by a 7.6 percent gain in the third quarter and 5 percent jump in the fourth quarter.

Inflation also picked up somewhat in this year's first quarter, with prices as measured by the GNP fixed-weighted index gaining 4.7 percent, compared to 4.2 percent in the fourth quarter.

First Quarter Adjusted
Real GNP Increased \$31.8 Billion Dollars After Revision



Education committee to make final recommendations today

DALLAS (AP) — Members of Gov. Mark White's select committee on public education gathered today to take final action on a comprehensive package of recommended reforms for Texas' public schools.

H. Ross Perot, chairman of the 18-member committee, said the panel would have to decide in its 2 p.m. meeting which recommendations should be modified or dropped so the cost of the reform plan can be reduced to what legislative leaders say the state can afford.

White is expected to call the Texas Legislature into special session in May or June to approve funding for the reforms.

One member of the committee, attorney Tony Bonilla of Corpus Christi, said Wednesday night that he expected today's meeting to be the last for the group. But he said he expects committee members to play a major role in selling the program to the taxpayers and in lobbying the Legislature.

"If these recommendations are

enacted, they will bring Texas into the 20th Century," Bonilla said. "The recommendations emphasize quality teachers, early childhood development and better management of our tax dollars."

White and other state officials have said they expect the Legislature to approve \$1.6 billion for improvements next year. The governor is pushing for a tax plan to finance education expenditures over the next three years.

The recommendations were before the committee today were scaled back after it was determined that the initial proposals would have cost about \$2.5 billion to implement, Bonilla said.

"We tried to prioritize those recommendations and in the process tried to reduce the cost of the package so that it could have a reasonably good chance of being implemented," Bonilla said.

"This priority list represents expenditures of under \$1 billion. The state comptroller has indicated that we could raise \$1 billion with a one

cent sales tax (increase)," he said.

The recommendations include:

- Lengthening the school day from 175 days to 180 days.
- Limiting the class size in the first and second grades to 20 students.
- Annual testing for students.
- Voluntary pre-kindergarten classes for 4-year-olds with limited English proficiency.
- A career ladder and teacher compensation program, providing a minimum monthly starting salary of \$1,520 for teachers and additional money for teachers with satisfactory evaluations.
- Testing of teachers.
- Programs to streamline the organization and management of the State Board of Education.
- Tax equalization for poor and rich school districts.
- "Reform won't come easy, but the people want it," Perot said Wednesday in a 45-minute talk before a joint workshop of school board members and school administrators at Stephen F. Austin College.

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Hart says he'll make no deals with Jackson

Colorado senator brings campaign to Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado brought his Democratic presidential campaign to Amarillo, Lubbock, Wichita Falls and Austin on Wednesday. He was scheduled to be in Tyler today. Hart said the 169 Texas delegates to be chosen May 5 are crucial to his candidacy.

Hart vowed at a Lubbock rally that he would cut no deals with the Rev. Jesse Jackson to win the Democratic nomination.

"I don't believe the person trying to be the leader of the Free World should make backroom deals to trade the vice presidency of the United States for delegates," Hart said. He also said he would consider Jackson "and a whole variety of people" as his running mate.

In other political news, Republican U.S. Senate candidate Rob Mosbacher said Democrats are eager to punish Rep. Phil Gramm for his conversion to the Republican Party last year, and that's an important reason why the GOP should nominate someone else.

"I believe the front runner in this race, Phil Gramm, is going to have a very, very difficult time winning in November," Mosbacher said Wednesday.

"While I don't touch much resentment (against Gramm) among Republicans for joining our party, I do run into Democrats constantly ... who look forward with a great deal of glee to running against Phil."

Mosbacher's prediction about a strong Democratic show of strength against Gramm came as he unveiled the final television commercial of his campaign before next week's election.

Democrats of all philosophies, from the most conservative to the most liberal, "will work their hearts out to beat him. That's something that will be very difficult to overcome in a state where Democrats outnumber Republicans 2-to-1," said Mosbacher, a former aide to Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker, R-Tenn.

Elsewhere:

— An elected statewide official, two state senators and a pro football player endorsed Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Bob Krueger.

"I am endorsing him as a good friend and I am breaking tradition for elected state officials by going out and campaigning actively in another race," said state Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, Krueger's campaign manager

in 1978.

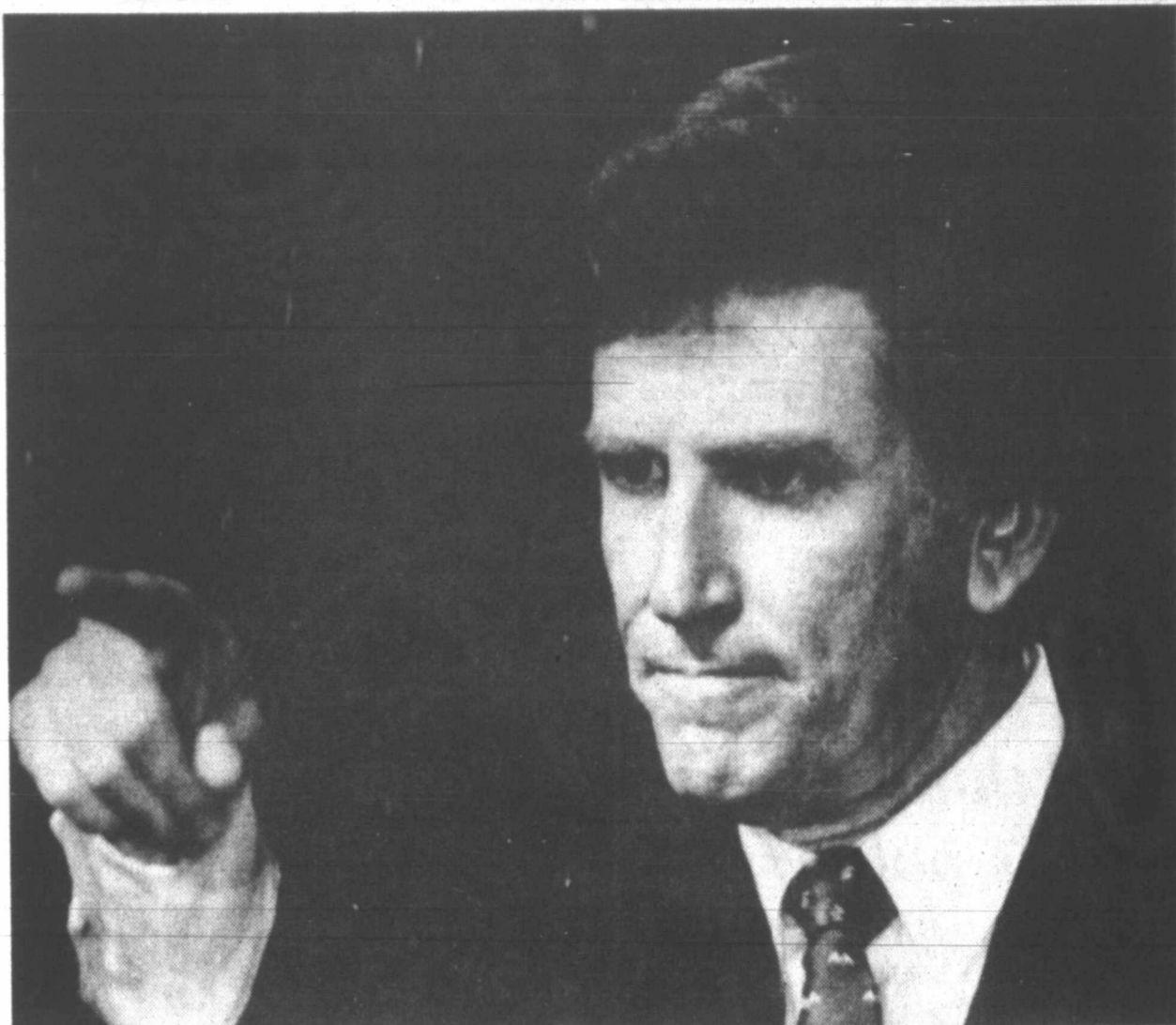
Krueger also got endorsements from State Sens. Kent Caperton, D-Bryan, and Hector Uribe, D-Brownsville, and from Butch Johnson, wide receiver for the Houston Oilers, who said, "Krueger is the man who can help the minority community because he can vote independently for each bill."

— Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Kent Hance, at a Dallas news conference, reiterated his criticism of Krueger and state Sen. Lloyd Doggett for supporting amnesty for some illegal aliens.

— Reports filed this week with the Federal Election Commission showed that Mosbacher collected \$618,138 in contributions and spent \$1.5 million, with \$111,140 cash on hand entering the campaign's final month.

In addition to the \$950,000 loan, Mosbacher received \$219,395 in contributions during the first quarter of 1984. He spent \$1.1 million during that time.

In the period between Jan. 1 and March 31, Gramm raised about \$700,000, boosting his total for the campaign to \$1.9 million, said campaign spokesman Larry Neal.



Hart makes point at Wichita Falls stop

Texas study may end kidney-stone surgery

HOUSTON (AP) — A \$2 million experimental machine being tested at the Texas Medical Center is leading the way to eliminate surgery for most forms of common kidney stones, the director of the project says.

The machine, called a lithotripter, uses shock waves on a patient seated in a tub of water to treat the kidney stones which annually affect more than 2 million people.

Dr. Donald P. Griffith, a urology professor at Baylor College of Medicine and director of the lithotripter project at Houston's Methodist Hospital, said Wednesday that similar shock wave research has been conducted in Europe for 10 years. The Houston project, along with similar experiments at five other U.S. hospitals, is designed to duplicate the European successes and ultimately win approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

"This will make stone surgery considerably less frequent," Griffith said. "I think traditional stone surgery is on the way out."

Five people in Houston have undergone the treatment, which began this week, Griffith said. Three series of 50 patients, with each series handling more complicated cases, will comprise the experiment, he said.

The common kidney stone, often a piece of calcium that resembles a chunk of gravel, is ground into sand-like particles after bombardment from hundreds of shock waves travelling at 1,500 meters per second. The procedure lasts about an hour. The patient then passes the particles routinely in urination.

"They started blasting and I could feel mild slugs," said George Black, a 58-year-old Houston insurance manager who was one of the first five patients to undergo the treatment.

Black said the procedure was painless. In

fact, he fell asleep in the tub of heated water while trying to keep track of the 500-800 loud staccato-like clicks that mark the shock wave.

The patient is strapped into a chair device and lowered into the oversized steel tub, then the aim of the shock wave is adjusted so it will bombard the kidney stone.

In a demonstration Wednesday, Klaus Koelsch, a representative of Demier, the Munich, West Germany-based firm which manufactures the lithotripter, dropped a kidney stone into the tub while a nurse watching a television monitor lined up the stone in cross-hairs like a hunter looking through a rifle scope.

"If you look into the tub, you will see a little thunder and lightning," Koelsch said.

To the beat of 200 shock waves, a spark plug at the base of the tub sent up repeated pulses — which resemble lightning bolts — and dissolved the stone into a fine powder.

"There was some discomfort," Sarah Wilson, 29, the first to use the machine, said. "It's hard to describe." But she said compared to kidney stone surgery she had earlier, the lithotripter was much better.

"I get to return to work on (next) Monday," Ms. Wilson, a teacher, said. When she had her earlier surgery, she was told to limit her movements and not lift heavy items.

Griffith said it was likely that Ms. Wilson's discomfort could be attributed to insufficient anesthetic when she received her treatment on Monday.

The doctor said the short recuperation period, short hospital stay and the patient's brief time away from work are the main advantages of the new machine.

Cost of the treatment is about the same as the surgery — in the \$6,000 to \$7,000 range, he said. Some insurance companies pay for the treatments but others consider it experimental and do not cover the expenses, he said.

Natural mother gets her child

HOUSTON (AP) — A woman who says she had a choice of giving up her very ill newborn daughter for adoption or letting the child be transferred to a charity hospital has won the right to take the 2½-year-old girl back from her foster parents.

Jurors awarded Eileen Cochrane to her natural mother, computer programmer Patty Cochrane on Wednesday, finding that the Homes of St. Mark used duress and undue influence in persuading the mother to let foster parents care for the baby. The child is to go home with her mother for the first time Friday.

Ms. Cochrane said officials of the adoption agency

pressured her to give up Eileen because the child's medical bills exceeded \$10,000.

Eileen was born Nov. 24, 1981, with incomplete lungs and intestines and is deaf. Ms. Cochrane signed legal papers allowing her to be put up for adoption about a week later.

But the child's condition improved in about a month.

"A little before Christmas, I was told she was going to make it," Ms. Cochrane said. "I realized I couldn't leave my baby, that I really could make it and there was no reason for me to not raise her."

But, she said, the adoption agency refused to let her

reverse her decision and the child was turned over to Jim and Peggy Fore, who have raised the baby since.

"That just blew me away, because (they had) told me (they) could just rip up those papers" if she changed her mind, Ms. Cochrane said.

"Girls in this situation should have a legal time period when they can change their minds," Ms. Cochrane said. "We have a 30-day period to return a refrigerator, but we don't have even a minute to change our minds about where our children will be spending their lives."

An attorney for the adoption agency, Don Royall, said he doubts Ms. Cochrane

was ever threatened, certainly not by the agency's executive director, Joann Caldwell.

"I've known her for 20 years and it's not within her capacity as a human being to do that," Royall said.

Ms. Cochrane said she was told the Homes of St. Mark "needed a guarantee of who would pay her (Eileen's) hospital bills."

"I signed because they told me that if I didn't, they would have to move her to a charity hospital," Ms. Cochrane said. "But I was with her every minute in intensive care because she needed someone to be with her."

The Fores filed suit in

September under a new state law allowing foster parents to sue for parental rights.

Fore said he and his wife are crushed by the decision.

"Two years ago, Missy was placed in our home for temporary care," he said. "We have loved and nourished this child and watched her grow into a beautiful person who considers our home her home."

Fore read a statement after the decision in which he said he could not describe "the anguish our family and friends feel... We feel no animosity or ill will toward Miss Cochrane and will continue to work toward providing Missy with the best possible transition into Miss Cochrane's home."

Ms. Cochrane said she has sympathized with the Fores, who attend her church, throughout the trial.

"When she (Mrs. Fore) would cry, it would make me cry," she said. "One of us had to hurt but Eileen is my baby. I could not quit."

Ford rejects War Powers Act

HOUSTON (AP) — A law which requires congressional approval to keep U.S. troops in combat more than 90 days is unconstitutional and a danger to the nation, former President Gerald Ford says.

Ford, who spoke Wednesday at the University of Houston's law school, called for repeal of the War Powers Act on the grounds it gives the legislative branchpower over the executive branch.

"The act is harmful and detrimental to our national security because it enables an

enemy power to know what a U.S. president can or can't do" and plan its strategy accordingly, Ford said.

The law passed Congress in 1973 in the wake of the Vietnam War.

Secretary of State George Shultz recently called for a review of the act, saying it makes a sensible U.S. policy in Lebanon impossible. Some congressional critics have questioned whether President Reagan has violated the act by sending military advisers to Central America.

Ford also called for

revision of an act Congress passed in 1974 to reform the federal budget-making process and to stop a president from impounding refusing to spend funds appropriated for specific purposes. This legislation has made budget-making more unwieldy and deprived the president of powers he needs to exercise his authority properly, Ford said.

"It's a disgrace the way Congress is handling our federal fiscal affairs," he said. "Businessmen who acted that way would go to

jail."

Congress should lift the ban on impoundments and permit the veto of specific items in appropriation bills so the president can have the legislative clout he needs to control expenditures, Ford said.

He was the first speaker in a newly established lecture series sponsored by the law firm of Butler & Binion.

Jury selection to begin in third trial of inmate

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — Jury selection begins today and testimony is slated to start Monday in the murder trial of a prison inmate accused of slaying a Texas Department of Corrections farm manager.

Selection of a panel in the case against Eroy Brown had been scheduled to start Monday, April 16, but State District Judge Darrell Hester delayed questioning potential jurors because Walker County District Attorney Frank Blazek was ill.

Testimony in the case is scheduled to start Monday.

Brown was tried twice before on capital murder charges in the death of TDC Ellis Unit Warden Wallace Pack. The first trial ended without a verdict because the jury could not reach a unanimous decision. Brown was acquitted by a second Galveston jury in November 1982.

Brown, 33, was accused of capital murder in death of farm manager Billy Max Moore, but the charge was reduced to murder.

Brown's court-appointed attorney, state Sen. Craig Washington of Houston, and

Blazek both said they expected jury selection to take only a day or so. This is because potential jurors won't have to be questioned about the death penalty since it's not a capital murder charge.

Brown was granted a parole last September on the 12-year armed robbery sentence he had been serving. He has since remained jailed awaiting trial in Moore's death.

Brown has said that he killed the two men but he said it was in self-defense because he thought the two TDC officials were going to torture him.

The trial was moved to Edinburg on a change of venue.

Blazek has said he has "new, scientific evidence" that was not available at Brown's previous trials, but he has declined to give any details.

In December, State District Judge Darrell Hester threatened to throw out the murder charge if the state did not come up with the money to pay for Brown's defense.

Man who killed father may lose probation

HOUSTON (AP) — Prosecutors say a drunken driving charge should lead a state judge to revoke the probation of a man convicted of shooting his comatose father in what was called an act of mercy.

Assistant District Attorney George Godwin asked state District Judge Ted Poe Tuesday to revoke the three-year probation term

given to Billy Ray Clore. Clore, 26, was convicted in July of attempted murder in the shooting of his father, 62-year-old Robert Clore Sr. The elder Clore, whose kidneys had failed, had been comatose for several weeks when he was shot March 21, 1983.

Following the verdict, Clore was embraced by several members of the jury.

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Senators survive Helicopter hit by guerrilla fire

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — One of two U.S. senators whose helicopter was hit by gunfire and forced down in Honduras says hundreds of shots were fired at the craft by "a nest of guerrillas."

A second helicopter carrying Diana Negroponte, wife of U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte, also was fired upon but was not hit in the attack, which occurred near the border with El Salvador.

"This was not a single gun. We figure there were hundreds of rounds fired at the helicopter," said Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La., who was aboard the craft Wednesday with Sen. Lawton Chiles, D-Fla. The two men were on a fact-finding mission in Honduras.

No injuries were reported among the nine passengers and six crew members aboard the two aircraft. There was no official confirmation of the source of the fire, which Johnston said came "presumably from Salvadoran guerrillas."

The helicopter was struck three times by .50-caliber ammunition. Johnston said he didn't realize what was happening until after he heard a wosh

of air coming into the craft.

"Then over a period of time there were sounds like gravel rattling in a pan and it became clear that we were being shot at," he said.

The senators' copter landed at Marcala, 55 miles west of this capital city and 10 miles from the Salvadoran border province of Morazan, a longtime stronghold of leftist rebels fighting the U.S.-backed government in El Salvador, said U.S. Embassy officials here.

Chiles said it was impossible to tell if the UH-1 helicopter was on the Honduran side of the border or over a rebel-controlled area of El Salvador when the shots were fired.

"We think we were on the Honduran side but it's a pretty murky border there," Chiles said.

The senators were on their way from a Honduras air force base to a U.N.-operated camp for Salvadoran refugees in southwestern Honduras. Many residents of the camp, Colomoncagua, are considered sympathetic to the Salvadoran guerrillas.

After the aircraft was hit, a



lieutenant colonel accompanying the two senators said to continue "back over across these hills" if the helicopter would fly and if the instruments worked, Johnston said.

It "was a very good decision because had he not done that he would have set it down probably within range of these small arms," Johnston said. "I think it was Churchill who said there's no thrill like getting shot at and missed."

Chiles and Johnston spoke with reporters before leaving Tegucigalpa and again in Panama City, where they arrived Wednesday evening to continue their fact-finding tour of the region. The senators' aides said they were to fly to Nicaragua on Thursday before returning Friday to Washington.

Near area of downed chopper

Salvadoran rebels attack four towns

JOCORO, El Salvador (AP) — Leftist rebels staged simultaneous attacks on four towns in northeast El Salvador near the area where a U.S. Army helicopter carrying two U.S. senators was struck by gunfire and forced to land in Honduras.

Five Salvadoran soldiers were killed, nine were wounded and at least seven guerrillas died in the fighting Wednesday in Morazan province, military sources in the area said. Two civilians

also were killed, the sources said.

The helicopter carrying Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La., and Sen. Lawton Chiles, D-Fla., was en route from a Honduran air force base to a U.N.-operated camp for Salvadoran refugees in southwestern Honduras.

They landed at Marcala, 55 miles west of the Honduran capital and 10 miles from the Salvadoran province of Morazan.

A second helicopter carrying Diana Negroponte,

wife of U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte, also was fired upon but was not hit in the attack, U.S. officials said.

No injuries were reported among the nine passengers and six crew members aboard the two aircraft.

In Nicaragua, rebels fighting the leftist Sandinista government attacked a Miskito Indian town in the northeast, killing four civilians and one government soldier, the official newspaper Barricada said Wednesday. It said 14 people

De Lorean's attorney says client victim of frame-up

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Undercover government agents mercilessly stalked John Z. De Lorean like sharks "in a feeding frenzy" when they "smelled blood," the automaker's lawyer told jurors in his drug-trafficking trial.

"This case is a sick case. It is a tragedy and a travesty of justice," attorney Howard Weitzman said Wednesday of the government sting operation that brought the silver-haired De Lorean to trial on charges of conspiring to distribute \$24 million worth of cocaine.

The prosecutor, however, promised to prove that DeLorean was desperate enough to plan cocaine and heroin deals as his dream of building a gull-winged sports car in Northern Ireland turned into a financial disaster.

"This case is about money, drugs, pride and ego," said Assistant U.S. Attorney James Walsh. "It is about a man whose desire to succeed led him into the dirty world of narcotics and to this courtroom and the end of his dream."

Weitzman made his opening statements in a packed courtroom, 18 months after his client's arrest at a Los Angeles airport hotel created international headlines.

He told jurors to scrutinize videotapes of the arrest skeptically, suggesting the scene was choreographed by government agents who were "trying to make John De Lorean look guilty."

Weitzman, arguing that De Lorean was the innocent victim of a frame-up, accused agents of inventing the case because they were hungry for a major celebrity arrest to enhance their careers.

"They were in a feeding frenzy," he said. "There was no stopping these people. They smelled blood. This was the big guy."

He repeatedly referred to the agents as "these sharks."

Walsh, illustrating his opening statement with elaborate charts and enlarged photographs, depicted De Lorean as a dreamer of big dreams, whose thirst for success after resigning as a General Motors Corp. executive lured him into "the grimy underworld of narcotics."

"This case is a story of a man with a dream, John De Lorean, and how he turned that dream into a nightmare composed of failure, drugs and disgrace," Walsh told the six-man, six-woman jury.

With secret surveillance tapes as the prosecution's key evidence, Walsh drew on show business terminology to reach his audience.

He said the tapes would provide a "candid camera" view of "John De Lorean caught in the act of being himself." But he warned jurors that the quality of the tapes might be poor.

"This is not 'Wednesday Night at the Movies,'" he told

them.

De Lorean was silent at Wednesday's session, refusing any comment to reporters.

The 59-year-old defendant, clad in a gray Western-style suit, sat still as his attorney spoke. When the statement was finished, his wife, model Cristina Ferrare, came forward from her seat nearby and embraced her husband.

Weitzman told the jurors that in finding De Lorean innocent they would send a message that "no government can do to anyone what was done to John De Lorean."

Guerrillas attacked Jocoro, 100 miles northeast of San Salvador, early Wednesday, simultaneously attacking the towns of El Divisadero, Oscala and Guatajagua. They also attacked Chapeltique, 100 miles northeast of San Salvador in San Miguel province, which borders Morazan, military sources said.

Cruz told The Associated Press the assaults were "the largest in this province in more than a year."

Khadafy won't give in Libyan leader says wait out British police

LONDON (AP) — Libyan leader Col. Moammar Khadafy was reported today to have ordered the Libyan diplomats and student radicals in his country's besieged London embassy to wait out the British police "even if it takes a year."

In Libya, up to 500 chanting demonstrators gathered today outside the British Embassy, said Western diplomatic sources in Tripoli, the capital.

Libyan police, fire engines and a water cannon were sent to the area, but the crowd did not appear "particularly hostile" and the staff was able to move in and out freely, said a diplomat who declined to be identified.

As the standoff in London moved into its third day, police sharpshooters appeared to be preparing for a long siege of the five-story building, which has been cordoned off since Tuesday evening. Trucks carrying heaters, office equipment and hatstands arrived on the scene this morning.

"We'll wait as long as necessary," said Richard Wells, the deputy assistant commissioner at Scotland Yard. "We want to choose the way...to bring this matter to an end without any further bloodshed."

The Times of London quoted unidentified Libyan sources in London today as saying Khadafy was in hourly telephone and radio contact with the embassy, where a gunman on Tuesday fired on a peaceful demonstration by 70 anti-Khadafy protesters.

A British policeman was killed in the attack and 11 protesters were injured. Six of the wounded were reported in stable condition today at Westminster Hospital.

Shortly after the shooting, uniformed Libyan guards encircled the British Embassy in Tripoli, but on Wednesday the British ambassador and 24 other

Britons were given permission to leave the mission, the British Foreign Office said.

Scotland Yard said it could not confirm the Times' report that Khadafy had ordered the Libyans inside the London embassy to sit out the siege, "even if it takes a year."

Khadafy has demanded that the British back off from the embassy and promise never to allow exiles to demonstrate against his regime. There has been no indication that Britain would agree.

"We ask them (the trapped Libyans) to come out peacefully and thus enable us

to go in and search for weapons and explosives," said the British minister of state, Richard Luce. "We are doing our utmost to resolve the problem peacefully."

Libyans who answered reporters' telephone calls to the besieged embassy said they were not responsible for the shooting Tuesday. Police officials have acknowledged that they no longer are certain the gunman is still in the embassy.

One of the Libyans told a reporter: "We have got no arms, none whatever. We're just doing our job. We are innocent."

Wells, the Scotland Yard official, told reporters that police chiefs were conducting "fairly cordial" talks with the Libyans inside the embassy on a special field telephone link. At the same time, intense diplomatic negotiations were under way.

Police said they could not confirm an ABC News report Wednesday that an American spy satellite had intercepted a radio message from the Libyan government telling the embassy in London to use force against the anti-Khadafy demonstrators.

U.S. State Department spokesman Brian Carlson said he could not comment on the report.

British lips still stiff

LONDON (AP) — With the dignity and aplomb that so often carries Britons through tough spots, citizens caught up in the Libyan shooting drama say their morale is good despite the death of a spunky policewoman and resulting sieges in Tripoli and London.

"We have plenty of food, everything is perfectly normal, we are happy, the dog is happy, the sun is shining," said Julia Miles, the upper-crust wife of Britain's ambassador in Libya who spent 24 hours besieged in her Tripoli home while her husband and 24 other Britons were trapped in the embassy.

"We have water and electricity. We are carrying on as normal," Mrs. Miles told The Associated Press in Rome by telephone.

"Everyone's in good spirits here," agreed Terry O'Connell, a diplomat at the

British Embassy in Libya. "Morale has always been good here, ever since the incident started."

The incident started Tuesday when a gunman in the Libyan Embassy in London sprayed submachine gun fire on a group of peaceful anti-Libyan dissidents protesting outside, killing a British policewoman and injuring 11 protesters.

Yvonne Fletcher, 25, was shown on British television

crumpling to the pavement with a fatal bullet wound.

Her mother, Queenie Fletcher, appeared with quiet dignity before reporters and television cameras at Scotland Yard a few hours later. In a voice that sometimes quavered, but with no tears, she spoke of her daughter's ambition.

"All I know is that she wanted to be a policewoman from the time she was three years old."

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JOE IN DRAG - This may not be Broadway, but yes, that woman twirling a purse is Joe Namath, being wheeled in to a scene by an unidentified member of the cast of "Sugar," a new play based on the movie "Some Like It

Hot" appearing at an Atlantic City casino. Namath might now be called "Boardwalk Joe." He appears with Phil Ford and Mimi Hines in the production. (AP Laserphoto)

From suicide spot

Iron bars aim a blocking leaps

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Iron bars are going up in a seven-story garage that, in the state with the nation's highest suicide rate, has gained grisly status as a high-publicity, glamour spot for ending one's life.

The high rise has become a symbol of an undercurrent of despair among Nevada residents that is often hidden by the glitter of casinos, some experts say.

At least 10 people have leaped to their deaths since 1972 from the First Interstate Bank garage, a block from the downtown casino strip, and several others have tried. Death on the sidewalk below

is nearly always instantaneous.

But now the bank is spending \$80,000 to install 4-foot bars between existing railings and ceilings, with a 6-foot fence to ring the highest level. The project is due for completion May 1.

Bank officials were initially reluctant to install barriers, said spokeswoman Joal Redmond.

But their hesitance ended when operators of Crisis Call Center, a suicide prevention hot line, told them the garage had acquired a reputation as a good place for killing one's self — "like the Golden Gate Bridge" in San Francisco.

Ms. Redmond said.

Most victims, with an average age in their early 20s, were probably angry at the public, said Dr. Robert Hiller, a psychologist.

"Since there is publicity in jumping off that particular place, it's kind of like rubbing their depression in other people's noses," he said.

Nevada's suicide rate is 28.4 of every 100,000 people, compared with 12.5 nationally, said Rachel Gartner of Crisis Call. In Washoe County, where Reno is located, the rate is 32 of every 100,000.

The state also has the nation's highest rates of

alcohol consumption, alcoholism deaths, divorce, bankruptcy and violent crime, she said.

"People coming into the area are leaving family and friends and support systems behind," Ms. Gartner said. "They think they're going to be making it big at the casinos or will be able to find work."

Reno psychologist Jerry Nims disagrees.

"The tourist influx — the Saturday night tourist who blows his brains out — does inflate the figures, but that's only a small part of the problem," he said. "Most of it is home-grown."

Personal income shows small gain

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans' personal income rose 0.5 percent in March, the smallest gain in seven months, the government reported today, as the economy gave further signs of slowing down.

The March increase was down only slightly from a 0.7 percent increase in February, but it was less than one-third the strong 1.6 percent January increase.

It was the weakest showing since a 0.3 percent rise last August. That small decline was followed by a string of increases which hovered near or surpassed 1 percent as the nation's recovery from the

1981-82 recession forged ahead.

For all of 1983, personal income rose by 6.3 percent, reflecting economic good times as 4 million Americans found work. Most economists say the gains this year will be below the 1983 pace.

Personal consumption spending, which includes essentially everything except interest payments on debt, rose a modest 0.4 percent in March. While this was an improvement from a 1 percent drop in February, the report said that only purchases of services were up

while sales of products declined further in March. Purchases of durable goods, such as automobiles and appliances, were down \$3.9 billion in March, following a drop of \$11.2 billion in February. Purchases of nondurable goods declined \$4.5 billion following a \$10.1 billion drop in February. Only services showed an increase, up \$18.1 billion following a \$2.4 billion February decline.

Details of the income and spending report:

—Personal income rose \$13.9 billion in March to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$2.94 trillion. Disposable, or after-tax, income rose 0.5 percent to a

rate of \$2.517 trillion.

—Personal consumption spending increased \$9.7 billion, following a \$23.7 billion decline in February. The March increase put spending at an annual rate of \$2.279 trillion.

—Personal savings rose slightly during the month to an annual rate of \$168.2 billion. That left the national savings rate — savings as a percent of disposable income — at 6.7 percent compared to 6.6 percent in February.

—Private wages and salaries increased \$5.4 billion in March, compared to an \$8.4 billion rise in February.

Pirate legend persists on island

By JOHN PLATERO Associated Press Writer CAESAR'S ROCK, Fla. (AP) — Few people care to visit this ugly mangrove-covered island these days any more than they did around 1700 when Black Caesar ran his buccaneer operations from this edge of the Atlantic Ocean.

There's no visible sign on the two-acre outcropping of land that would help link it to the legendary black pirate — nor prove that it's ever been inhabited.

Small boats can't be run up on shore because of the island's craggy limestone rocks, and the place defies visitors with its thick mangrove shrubs. Refuse from passing boats has accumulated in the underbrush over the years.

For the inquisitive who

wade or jump ashore after crossing seven miles of Biscayne Bay from the mainland, there are no paths to explore the island. Apart from uncontrolled vegetation, the only living thing here 30 miles south of Miami seems to be mosquitoes. Even rats haven't bothered to come for the garbage, and there's no sound of birds.

It ominously seems as though the island belongs to the spirit of Black Caesar.

"No one ever asks to go there," admits Ed Roberts, a ranger at Biscayne National Park, established in June 1980. Part of the U.S. National Park Service, it covers 175,000 acres of pristine waters, subtropical islands and living coral reefs.

The oval-shaped land mass is wedged between Elliott Key and Old Rhodes Key and legend has it that Black

Caesar used it as a base to prey on passing vessels, particularly slave ships.

The real name of the Haitian-born pirate, said to have been a slave himself, was either Henri Caesar or Caesar LeGrand. Another account says he was born on the Caribbean island of Dominica and later enslaved in Haiti.

Sometime in his 20s, he escaped and freed 20 men he found in a jungle prison. These became his followers and later part of his crew.

It is said he took his first ship by killing the pirate captain on board. He renamed it the Ebony Eagle and flew the Jolly Roger from its mast. For 28 years, he roamed these waters as a privateer wrecking ships, freeing slaves and taking prisoners.

One account tells of a huge

iron ring imbedded somewhere on the island which Black Caesar used to keel over his ship so its mast couldn't be seen by passing ships.

He's described as cruel and is supposed to have kept a prison camp on Elliott Key. They say he had a penchant for jewelry and more than 100 women supposedly graced his harem over the years.

Betty Bruce has been librarian of the Key West Public Library for many years and five generations of her family have spent their lives in the keys.

"It's so hard to track down these pirates," Mrs. Bruce says with a laugh. "We have microfilm of newspapers going back to 1784, and I've never found any mention of Black Caesar."

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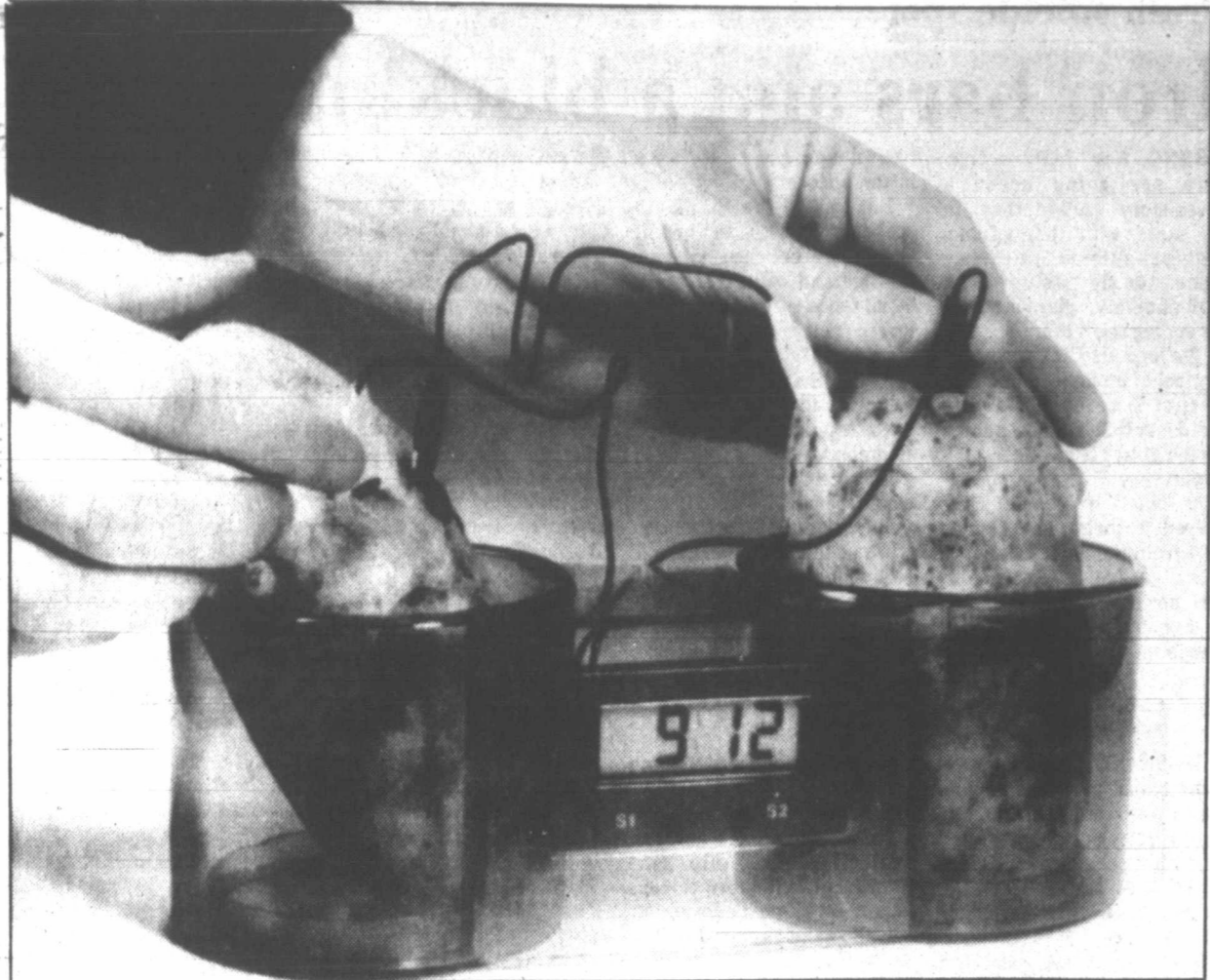
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'Dallas' top show

CBS wins 1983-84 TV season

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The winner and still champion CBS, which captured the ratings title for the 1983-84 TV season, the strength of heavyweights "Dallas" and "60 Minutes" and such miniseries as "Master of the Game" and "Chiefs."

CBS claimed its fifth ratings victory in a row at the April 15 close of the current 29-week season. ABC was second and NBC was third. Here are the final ratings: CBS 18.1, ABC 17.2, NBC 14.9.

ABC, which had the week's highest-rated show with the Academy Awards presentation, tied CBS in the last week of the A.C. Nielsen Co. survey, but, unlike last year, posed no last-minute threat to CBS.

All three networks could draw some consolation from

the fact that, while audiences defected to other forms of home video entertainment, the season's viewership decline was the smallest since the 1979-80 season. CBS and NBC viewership were down 1 percent from last year and ABC's was down 3 percent.

CBS won the first week of the season, which began Sept. 26, and gave up its lead only during the World Series, when ABC was ahead for one week. In all, CBS won 19 weeks and twice tied with ABC for first.

The season's No. 1 show was CBS' "Dallas," with "60 Minutes" at No. 2. Others in the season Top 10 were: ABC's "Dynasty," third; NBC's "The A-Team," fourth; CBS' "Simon & Simon," fifth; CBS' "Magnum, P.I.," sixth; CBS'

"Falcon Crest," seventh; ABC's "Hotel," eighth; CBS' "Knots Landing," ninth; and the ABC Sunday Movie, 10th.

The top miniseries of the season were, in order, CBS' "Master of the Game," CBS' "Chiefs," NBC's "Celebrity," CBS' "George Washington" and NBC's "Kennedy." CBS' Grammy Awards coverage was the top special, with ABC's Academy Awards coverage second.

For the past week, CBS and ABC tied for first place with a network average of 17.5 each. NBC was third with 12.8. The networks say this means that in an average prime-time minute, 17.5 percent were tuned to both CBS and ABC.

The highest-rated show of the closing week was ABC's coverage of the Academy Awards ceremonies "The Barbara Walters Special,"

which appeared on the same night, was fifth. The final two parts of the CBS miniseries "George Washington" were in the Top 10.

CBS has won the ratings every year since the 1979-80 season. ABC was first for three years, from 1976-79. Before that, CBS was first every year from 1956 to 1976, except for the 1970-71 season when NBC was first. For the first time in TV history CBS was also the winner in the four major areas of prime time, daytime, late-night and the evening news.

NBC's "Father Murphy" was the least-watched show of the week. The bottom five in descending order were NBC's "St. Elsewhere," NBC's "The Master," ABC's "Masquerade," NBC's "Yellow Rose" and NBC's "Father Murphy."

Built by Carnegie

Society trying to save library

By BOB DVORCHAK
Associated Press Writer
BRADDOCK, Pa. (AP) — The first library Andrew Carnegie built in the United States is a shabby shell of its original grandeur, wrecked by vandals and ravaged by weather after it was shuttered 10 years ago.

"I think even the rats deserted this building. Andrew Carnegie would be appalled," said David Solomon, 74, a former librarian and volunteer caretaker working to restore the desecrated edifice.

"The place was raped and ravaged. It was a sickening thing to see. This building was part of so many people's lives. It was like someone you grew up with, like a member of your family, and it was sick and dying," he added in a recent interview. "At least now, there's a flicker of life."

Solomon is president of the 125-member Braddock Field Historical Society, which took over the building in 1977 and dreams about restoring it "in its entirety for use the way Andrew Carnegie intended it to be."

1,946 Carnegie libraries built in the United States.

"The library building is built to last. Its walls are granite and will not crumble. Its beams are steel and cannot burn," Carnegie said at dedication ceremonies on March 30, 1889.

"I venture to predict that when generation after generation shall have passed away, this library will remain and be recognized as a center of light and learning, a never failing spring of all good influences."

After an addition was completed in 1893, the library housed the first Carnegie Hall, a 34-by-88-foot indoor swimming pool, public baths, billiard tables, bowling alleys, a gym and a barber shop.

Upkeep was paid from a \$1 million endowment in Carnegie's Library Corp. for Braddock and sister libraries in Homestead and Duquesne.

The population of Braddock, which sits along the Monongahela River near Pittsburgh, peaked at 22,000 in the 1920s, then fell as millhands earned enough to move away from the filthy furnaces. The exodus became a flood to the suburbs in the 1950s, and the town's population is now 5,600.

Meanwhile, the money in the Library Corp. drained steadily because fewer users supported the building. In 1961, the courts conveyed title from the Library Corp. to the Braddock School District, which forfeited rights to the endowment and agreed to support it.

But faced with a shrinking tax base, the school district closed the library in 1974, one year after it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

It became easy prey for vandals, who broke the windows, carted away the

auditorium's crystal chandelier, stole six billiard tables and stripped copper pipes and brass fixtures.

The entire works of William Shakespeare and other classics disappeared. Torrents from a leaky roof ruined other books, warped and buckled the floor, peeled away the plaster and left a layer of filth in the decrepit pool.

Carnegie Hall — site of graduations, minstrel shows, concerts and vaudeville acts — lay musty, dank, smelly and cold.

The historical society tried in vain to regain the original endowment and receive money from the Carnegie Foundation.

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By Abigail Van Buren
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DEAR BAFFLED: Yes, you are as stupid as you think you are, if you think this man is sincere. Are you ignoring the obvious? Not any more; I think you are catching on.

Don't wait until the baby is born. Get out now. And stay away from married men. They make lousy husbands.

DEAR ABBY: A reader named Barbara who married a man named Gene McGraw asks, "Just who is Mrs. Gene McGraw?" (She says, "I am not a bisexual, nor do I have two heads.") Then she signs herself, "Mrs. Barbara McGraw."

The name "Mrs. Barbara McGraw" means she married someone named "Barbara."

The title "Ms." is available for women who prefer using their own first names; she could call herself "Ms. Barbara McGraw," or she could skip any title completely.

Whatever she decides, the one thing she isn't is "Mrs. Barbara McGraw"—unless she's planning a divorce. Archaic, maybe, but still true.

JANET TAYLOR (NO TITLE AT ALL)

DEAR ABBY: You're the only person I know who may be able to come up with the correct letters for this bit of nonsense that was popular many years ago:
A B C D goldfish?
L M N O goldfish?

Abby, what comes next?

DRAWING A BLANK

DEAR DRAWING: The entire "bit of nonsense" is as follows:

A B C D goldfish?

L M N O goldfish.

O S A R.

C M?

Which is short for:

Abie, see the goldfish?

Hell, them are no goldfish.

Oh, yes, they are.

See them?

CONFIDENTIAL TO YOU: Easter is nearly here, and if you plan to surprise a small child with a gift, such as a live rabbit or a baby chick, please consider this: Living creatures need proper care, so unless you are certain that the rabbit or chick will receive the care it needs to survive, please give a stuffed bird or animal instead. Living creatures are not "toys" to be mauled, abused or neglected.

DEAR ABBY: I feel terrible about something and want your opinion. I went to visit a friend one afternoon without calling first to tell her I was coming.

When I knocked on her door, she called through the door, "Who is it?" After I told her who it was, all I heard was her footsteps walking away from the door. I stood there for about five minutes, and when she didn't come back, I began to wonder if maybe she was sick or something, so I knocked again to make sure she heard me.

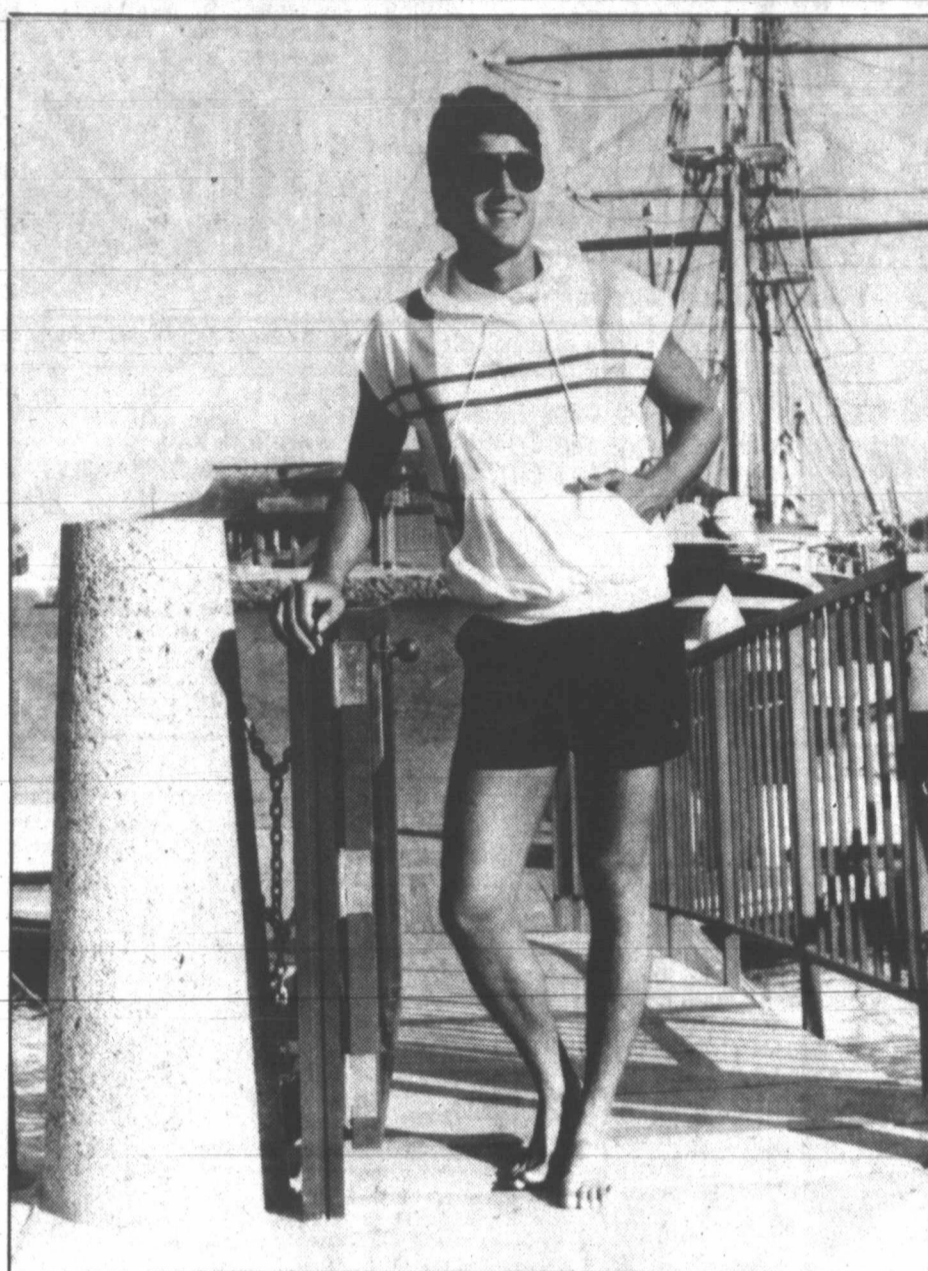
About 10 minutes later she came to the door and yelled, "What's the matter? Can't you take a hint?" When I tried to explain that I thought maybe she was sick, she walked away from the door again.

Now I'm upset and my feelings are hurt. What should I do if I see her again?

HURT IN HIBBING, MINN.

DEAR HURT: Apologize for knocking on her door without having called to find out if she wanted company. She may have been sleeping, not feeling well, or otherwise occupied.

Your friend was very rude to have asked, "Can't you take a hint?" Let her know your feelings are hurt. In the future, if you want to be welcome, call first.



BRIGHT ACCENT STRIPINGS bring a bold Spring - Summer '84 look to an Ocean Pacific ensemble. In a comfortable cotton blend, the hooded knit over - shirt is shown here with O.P.'s fly front shorts in a coordinating color. The shirt comes in white, yellow and silver. The shorts in 16 assorted jewel - tone colors.

Sweatshirt styling goes places

By Florence De Santis

NEW YORK (NEA) — No matter what trends catch on this spring, the wearing of fleece fabric in tops inspired by the sweat shirt will be popular.

Sweat-shirt styling for both sexes and all ages has brought the look and its soft, comfortable fabric into the mainstream of fashion.

Credit Norma Kamali for bringing attention to the fact that fleece could be used for the most avant-garde styling. After her use of sweat-shirt fabric, there was nothing that couldn't be done with it.

This spring, the range starts with the classic hooded sweat shirt and matching shorts at Basset-Walker for men. The front is emblazoned with a huge "USA" screenprinted on the Creslan/cotton fleece fabric.

The sport interest takes a more feminine turn at Hang Ten, with a dropped-shoulder, dolman-sleeved, crew neck pullover in Creslan/cotton blend. The fleece is classic silver gray.

but the screen print front in graph paper checks overlaid with the Hang Ten signature logo is in cornsilk and turquoise or red and royal. Fleece fashions have taken to untraditional colors.

In the Jantzen Sport collection, jogging pants and a big, hooded matching dolman top come in deep turquoise fleece. A pullover comes in black-striped yellow fleece. Fuchsia sport pants combine with a turquoise top whose French underwear neckline is edged in fuchsia.

At Sport I, the active sportswear division of Aileen, the color scheme is in jade and periwinkle, with fleece pullovers mixed with cardigans and twill pants. This mix of fleece with other fabrics also appears at Jordache and at Yoshi Tsurumi, one of the Japanese designers who like down-to-earth fabrics. A

mechanic's jump suit in navy cotton calico will take a short-sleeved pullover in white fleece as an example.



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California look hits summer menswear

California men's wear manufacturers are making use of geometric designs and classic styling for Spring - Summer '84. Wardrobes with the distinctive "California Look" can be worn this season for both leisure and casual wear.

Varied striping effects in shirts and warm - up suits are creating the strongly defined, eye - catching looks that go so well with recreational weekend wear. For casual and evening looks, classic lines in blazers and slacks and their updated variations are in the fashion forefront.

Drawing from a wealth of both knitted and woven fabrications, manufacturers such as Ocean Pacific, Levi's, Off Shore, A-1 and Newks Moustache have come up with clothing that is comfortable to wear, fresh and bright in appearance, and practical to care for.

From Off Shore, a shirt with classic detailing, unusual shading of light blue, peach, tan, grey, turquoise, white and mint, and a comfortable blend of cotton conspire to create a shirt with that unmistakable "California Look."

Levi's Trimcut brings back the enduring classics, such as a double breasted blue blazer worn with natural slacks. Blended linen look fabric adds high performance.

Newks Moustache Gear makes clever use of accent trims on a warm - up suit. Tri - color stripings of khaki with Freeport and Royal blues are featured on zip front jacket and elasticized waist band.

A knitted shirt from Off Shore is enhanced with the addition of a bold geometric striping motif across the chest and sleeves. The shirt features a three - button front placket and ribbing at collar and sleeves.

A-1's pilot jacket and express pleated pant are the ultimate in the updated "California Look." Decidedly young in feeling, this jacket and slacks set is available in a variety of earth tones like light grey, tan, slate, grey and burgundy.

For busy spring - summer plans that may include everything from boating and jogging to just plain relaxation, men's wear from California offer good looking separates that fit the bill.

Accessories finish the look

CLEVELAND, Ohio — Whether you belt it, tie it or add a hat, today's fashion headlines call for accessories to polish a finished look.

Accessories add flair to any outfit, but when purchased ready - made, they also add considerably to that outfit's cost. Not so with handmade accessories, which are easily and inexpensively created by the home sewer, said M. Grace McMahon Johnson, education director for White Sewing Machine Company.

"Sewers can add a designer look to clothes — without designer prices — by making belts, scarves, hats and ties at home," she said. "These accessories are the rage this year, and provide a fresh, updated look to any outfit."

To give an updated look to leather belts: "Trim departments of fabric stores have expanded, and most now carry buckle kits. Changing buckles can give a new look to your belt, and it's simple to do with the help of these kits," Johnson explained.

"Scarves can also be used

as belts or commerbunds," she said. "They add a unique personal touch to dresses when worn over the shoulder."

"Use a loosely woven fabric, and simply finish the edge by rolling it under and hemming," she said. "If you want to achieve the fringed look, make sure to sew with a straight or zigzag stitch on the straight of the grain. A straight pin can help do the job."

Just the opposite is true for hats, said Johnson. She

emphasized sewers should use tightly woven fabrics like cotton or linen, with a stiffener for the brim. "Hats are essential for the well - suited woman, and are sure to cap any outfit — yet they're a cinch to make with the many patterns available," she said.

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Color choice
Daytime actress Deirdre Hall has her own personal beauty tip. "I feel a woman should experiment with makeup colors — especially for eye shadow, blush and lipstick," she told Beauty Digest. "When you find colors that suit your skin tones and wardrobe, stick to them. I have found for me that shades of a soft, warm pink work best. I make my clothes and accessories work around these tones rather than going out and buying a different makeup for each new outfit."

Eye do's
When applying skin cream and moisturizers around the sensitive eye area, remember to never pull or tug. This can give you wrinkles. The proper way is easy. Undereye: Dot a small amount of cream and gently pat it from the outer corner of the undereye area inwards. Eyelids: This time pat the cream, gel or oil from the inner corner outwards.

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Grid for the crossword puzzle, showing numbers 1 through 47 in their respective positions.

Astro-Graph by bernice bede osol

This coming year you will form several strong new alliances. The one that will prove to be the most beneficial will be with a person you won't like too well at first meeting. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you fail to let your higher ideals and standards guide you today, you might have problems in your relationships. Subdue self-serving tendencies. Gemini (May 21-June 20) You might get stuck with some responsibilities of others today. Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Things in general might not go as smooth as you'd like today. Don't make matters worse by blowing your cool if you do run into some opposition. Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone might not be in accord with the views you hold today, but that's no reason to get angry at this person. Keep an open mind and be forgiving.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You might end up weaving a more tangled web if you try today to unravel the threads that have been holding your household budget together. Wait a bit. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you hope to make a good impression on companions today, you must be willing to compromise some of your demands to accommodate them. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Those second thoughts about something or someone in your financial dealings should not go unheeded today. Pay attention to the warning signals. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Socializing with a large group might not produce too much enjoyment for you today. However, being with a few close, intimate friends should. PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today there's a chance you may overreact to situations you normally take in stride. If you feel your temper heating up look for an exit, not an encounter. ARIES (March 21-April 19) In business situations today you may defeat your own purpose if you grind too hard. Leave a little room as the other guy can make a buck as well.

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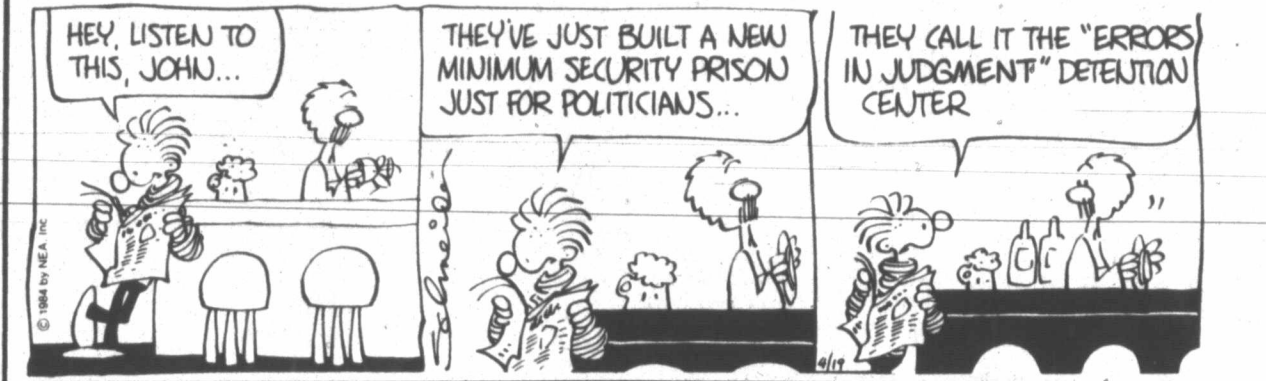
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Lebanese family finding Lufkin toy salesman plays Santa Claus shelter in Comal County

By **DYANNE FRY**
New Braunfels
Herald-Zeitung

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas (AP) — A mid-afternoon lull at Something Good Restaurant found proprietor Rizk Saad drinking coffee and poring over the headlines in the 'Houston Chronicle.'

"The New Braunfels paper doesn't have enough news about Lebanon," he said, somewhat apologetically.

For at least one Comal County family, the violence in the Middle East isn't just something happening on the other side of the world. It's happening on home territory.

Rizk calls New Braunfels home now. He's a naturalized American citizen, and married to business partner Janet Wells. But his parents are still in what's left of Beirut.

And seven other family members have become refugees of a sort. They came here to visit, or to get their children out of the line of fire. Now, they don't dare go back.

Rizk's older brother Raja, a physician in his home country, was the last to come over, about six months ago. "When I left Lebanon, I told them I would not stay more than a month. They need me; it's a war," he said.

Since then, the Beirut airport has shut down. The fighting has gotten worse. In late February, Raja got word from his parents that his clinic was destroyed.

"There is no way to go back — or if you did go back, it would be too much danger," he said.

Raja's wife, Adia, and their three children, have been in Comal County for almost a year. The youngest daughter, Nancy, was born here. The Saads more or less planned it that way.

"In Lebanon, even the road

to the hospital was closed," Adia explained. When Rizk proposed a vacation in the United States, "My husband said, 'This is a good time for you to go. At least you will have a safe delivery.'"

Adia thought of returning home with the children at a later date. Shortly after Nancy's birth, Raja told her not to try it.

The family now lives in a rented house on the north end of the county. The quiet country atmosphere contrasts vividly with the residents' tales of wartime Beirut.

Adia's sister, May, recalls dark days in cramped bomb shelters, usually with insufficient food and clothing. "When you go to the shelters, you just think about running away. You don't think to take something to eat," she said.

There is no warning system to speak of. "Every Lebanese knows that the first bomb is the most dangerous, because no one knows when it will fall," Raja said. "As you're sitting, if one shell falls down, that means you have to go."

"And sometimes you are sleeping, and you wake up frightened, and have to go to the shelter with your pajamas on," May added. She can remember spending as much as five days in one, "and not being able to see the sun."

Even there, a family might not be safe. Many of the so-called "shelters" weren't designed for that purpose, "because we were not prepared for this war," she said. Some are just converted garages.

May can't forget the time a bomb went off in front of her car as she was driving home from work. She got there in one piece, but in a state of shock. "My parents did not know what was wrong with me. I couldn't walk," she

said. On another occasion, May couldn't get home at all. She spent a whole month with a friend who lived near the office, getting by on what clothes she had.

"It's very common, this. Even sometimes, you don't know the person. But they'll let you stay there, because they don't know when they might need to stay at your house," she said. "Your home might be 10 minutes away, but you can't get there."

"Every day you say, 'Thank God I'm still here,'" said Raja. "If you go out —"

"— you are not sure you will come back," said his wife.

Although Adia feels that "life in America is very easy," she would still like to go home. So would her husband and her sister.

"Lebanon is a nice place to live, even in a war," she said. "It's a small country, but with varied terrain. The mountains are a convenient hour away from the beach, and there are four real seasons."

"We have three months of winter, when it's cold all the time. Not like here," Raja grinned.

May still has her government job as an accountant. But she's been here since July, and wonders how much longer she can keep the job if she doesn't go back.

Rezdy Saad, another of Rizk's brothers, has a different point of view. He'd like to stay in this country.

"It has always been a dream, to come to the United States," said the young man, working for his brother as a cook and waiter. "You have many things here that we do not have in Lebanon."

By **KEN PELLIS**
Lufkin Daily News
LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — Jerry F. Howell doesn't look like Santa Claus, but don't tell throngs of Puerto Rican children that.

Last holiday season, the clean-shaven president of Woody's Toys donated thousands of toys to needy youngsters on the island.

The toys were distributed by Kate Romero, wife of the Puerto Rican governor, Carlos Romero. When she telephoned to thank him, Howell invited the Romeros to Lufkin.

Mrs. Romero, in turn, asked Howell and his partner-in-giving, Woody's board chairman George Dalton, to stay at the governor's residence.

"If I get down there it'll be a miracle," says Howell, explaining that his time is taken up with toys. "I don't know what their situation is," he added.

The long-distance story actually begins with Barbara Clyde and five other Alexandria, La. area churchwomen who wanted to "share love" in Puerto Rico through songs and puppet

shows. The women also hoped to bring some toys for needy children, and Woody's name came up as a possible donor, recounts Mrs. Clyde, a licensed practical nurse. She called the Lufkin Daily News to tell of Howell's contribution.

Her initial contact with Howell was by telephone. "He asked me how many toys we needed," Mrs. Clyde said. She told him: 5,000.

At the request of Howell, she drove to Lufkin to talk in person. Howell says Mrs. Clyde had to convince him

that the toys would actually get to the needy children. But that wasn't hard, he says. "She brought along a letter from the Puerto Rican governor that testified to the group's work," Howell said.

"I thought she was very up front," Howell said. "She didn't come on strong. I could have given her one toy, and she would have been happy. She was very appreciative... And I appreciated what she was doing."

Howell, according to both their accounts, took Mrs. Clyde to one of the warehouses on Regal Row

and offered her everything. "It was hard for me to believe that this man that didn't even know us from Adam would be so kind," Mrs. Clyde said. "Evidently he's a Christian."

The only limitation was the available airplane space for the toys, which had to get to the island before Three Kings Day on Jan. 6, a day when Puerto Rican children receive presents, says Mrs. Clyde.

Howell said the toys were trucked by Woody's to Eastern Airlines in Dallas.

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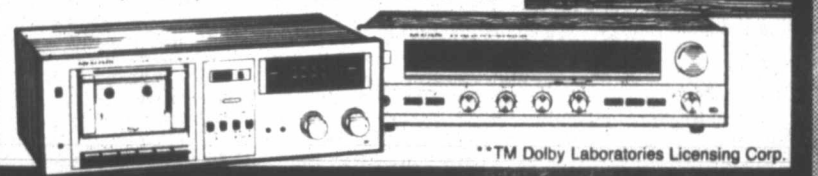
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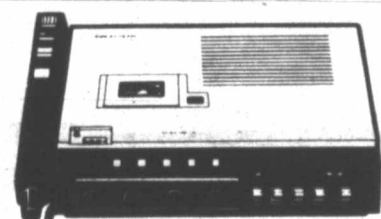
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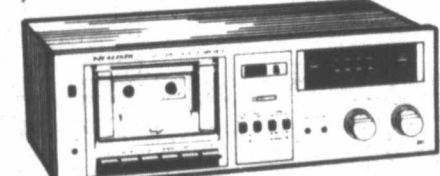
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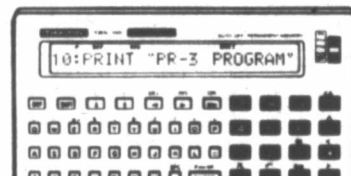
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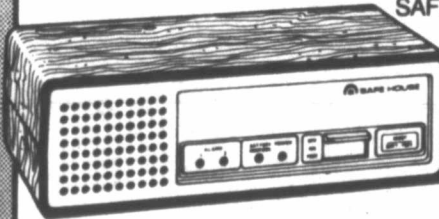
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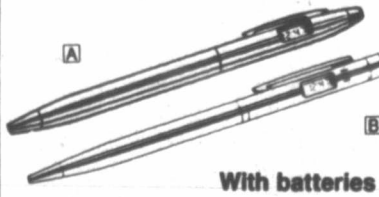
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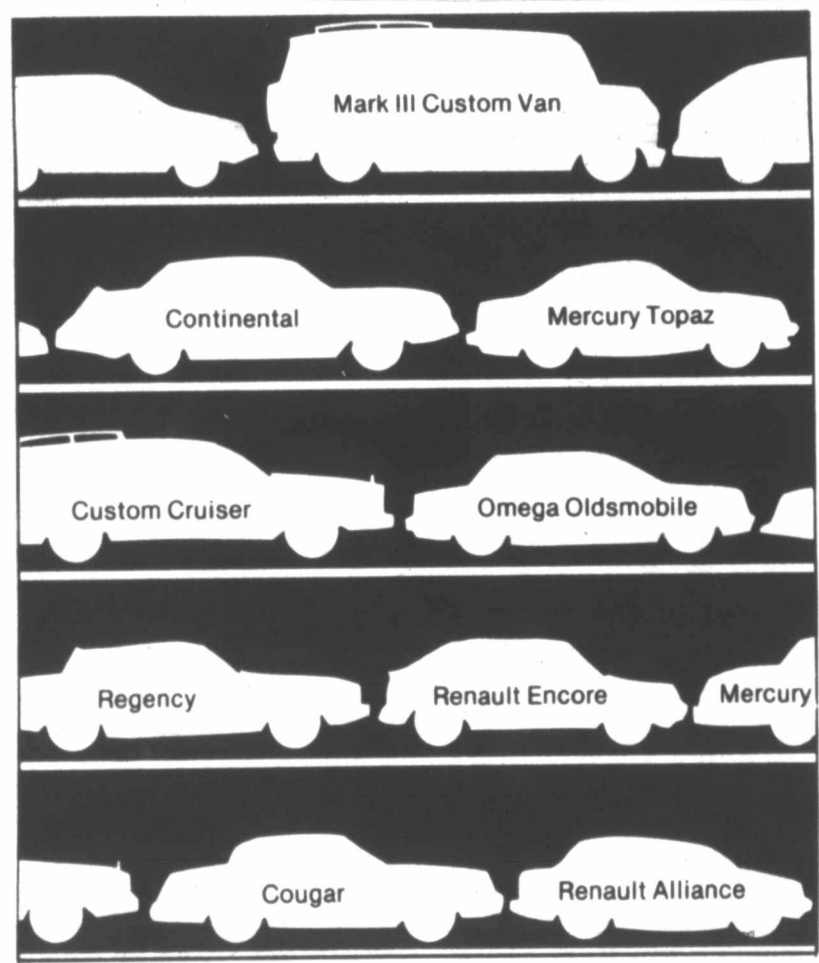
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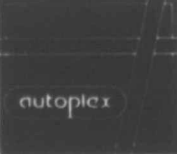
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