



Gromyko talks to United Nations, confers with Mondale

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, having exchanged views for improving U.S.-Soviet relations, went separate ways today — Shultz to brief President Reagan and Gromyko to address the United Nations.

Shultz and Gromyko met for three hours here Wednesday, and both said their discussions on U.S.-Soviet relations would continue when Gromyko meets Reagan at the White House Friday.

Gromyko was in a good mood after the meeting, and a senior U.S. official said the "discussions were a good start" toward improving relations between the

superpowers after a long period of deep chill.

"We hope the Soviet Union is prepared to move the relationship forward," said the official, who briefed reporters on the condition he not be identified. "We hope they are as prepared as we are," he added.

Shultz, who also seemed satisfied after the meeting, gave

Reagan a 15-minute telephone report on his talks with Gromyko. He was going to Washington today to provide Reagan with an in-depth briefing.

Gromyko today was delivering an address to the United Nations General Assembly here and then meeting with Walter F. Mondale, the Democratic presidential hopeful.

U.S. analysts were closely scrutinizing Gromyko's speech for clues on Moscow's response to Reagan's proposals, unveiled in a U.N. speech Monday, for "a better working relationship" between the superpowers.

Publicly, Moscow has been skeptical and even insulting, accusing Reagan of using his speech as "camouflage" to hide

his real aggressive intentions. But U.S. officials said the Soviets are privately signaling they may be interested.

Reagan will find out for sure on Friday, officials believe. But these officials, who insist on anonymity, also caution against expecting any significant breakthroughs in U.S.-Soviet relations to emerge.



PREPARING BALLOTS—Preparing and mailing absentee ballots voters overseas can be a long and tedious task, but not when divided among friends as deputy Gray County Clerks

Peggy Baker and Paula Brock demonstrate. Absentee voting for the November general election begins Oct. 17. (Staff Photo by Ed Copeland)

McLean business planning construction along bypass

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

McLEAN — With three restaurants, stores and motels shut down, the town is "in good shape as far as being in bad shape is concerned."

That's how Vicki Jacobs, director of economic development for the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, summed up McLean's chances of getting state and federal economic development funds. She met with area residents, who hope to set up businesses along Interstate 40 south of town, to see how the PRPC can help seek funding for city efforts to run utility lines there.

The completion of I-40 last July hurt the city's economy, which had depended on truck, tourist and town traffic for many years. With business decreasing throughout McLean, several business people see better opportunity along the bypass.

Seven area residents are already planning businesses in the I-40 area. Among the businesses planned are motels, restaurants, convenience stores and a western clothing store. They are seeking industrial revenue bonds to help finance their projects.

"It will have nothing to do with the city," said Ida Hess, secretary of the McLean Industrial Development Corp., an agency

formed early last spring to seek ways to boost the city's economy and attract industry.

"The bonds are sold tax free," she explained. "The advantage to businesses is that the interest is about three-fourths prime. And the advantage to the banks is that the bonds are sold tax free."

"I think our chances are very good," she said this morning. "We will be meeting with a banker today and with an insurance man later."

"We need a general commitment to help us sell the bonds, then we can go on to other things," she said. "The people all have their contracting bids, blueprints and their projects. We just have to market the thing."

Hess added that industrial development bonds have financed other major business projects in Gray County.

"None of these businesses is big enough to warrant a bond issue," she said. "But working together, they can lower their overhead and divide the legal costs."

Although the seven business people are ready to start construction, the city isn't. Before construction begins, the city must be able to run utility lines to the area about one mile south of downtown.

With a proposed budget of \$500,000 and water and street

projects to tend to, the city will have problems paying for new lines. City officials are asking the PRPC for assistance.

At Wednesday's meeting, Jacobs talked about two federal grants that could help fund the city project.

One is a state block grant which can provide one-half million dollars necessary for the project, she said, adding that it will not fund the whole project. The grant, administered through the Texas Department of Community Affairs, is offered on a competitive basis.

The second grant, in which McLean competes with other applicants from throughout the nation, is the HUD Urban Development Action Grant.

Panel okays Social Security hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House committee has approved President Reagan's election year request to guarantee Social Security recipients a cost-of-living increase Jan. 1 even if 1984 inflation doesn't exceed 3 percent.

On a voice vote, the House Ways and Means Committee voted Wednesday to waive the requirement that the Consumer Price Index go up 3 percent to trigger a cost-of-living increase.

The action was taken despite

Budget deficit soars in August

By The Associated Press

The Reagan administration is sticking to its earlier budget deficit projection for the fiscal year that ends Sunday despite a \$33.5 billion August shortfall, the second biggest installment of red ink for any month.

The August deficit put the shortage for the first 11 months of the fiscal year at \$192.1 billion, well above the \$174.3 billion imbalance the Reagan administration forecast for the full fiscal year.

But in the wake of Wednesday's report by the Treasury Department, officials said that an expected \$18 billion surplus in

September, the last month of the fiscal year, would bring the deficit in line with the administration's prediction.

The August deficit of \$33.5 billion was second only to the \$33.9 billion monthly record of last May. The government said spending totaled \$88.7 billion in August, while revenue was \$55.2 billion.

The Treasury blamed the size of the August deficit on the government's need to mail September Social Security and other benefit checks early because the first of the month fell on a Saturday.

This accounted for \$17.5 billion of

the extra deficit in August, officials said. But this money will not have to be paid in September and will account for most of the surplus this month, explained James Chambers, an official in the department's Bureau of Government Financial Operations.

In other developments Wednesday:

—International Business Machines Corp. said it agreed to purchase Rolm Corp., a leader in the \$3 billion telephone switching equipment market, for \$1.25 billion. The plan must be approved by federal antitrust authorities and a majority of Rolm shareholders.

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Iranian judges at tribunal resort to fists

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — An unprecedented physical attack on a Swedish judge by two Iranian judges has disturbed the peaceful atmosphere at the U.S.-Iran Claims Tribunal.

The tribunal, where international jurists weigh American financial claims arising from the 1979 Iranian revolution, is the only place in the world where the two nations have regular diplomatic dealings.

The attack against Nils Mangard, a 69-year-old Swedish judge, has forced the suspension of all arbitration proceedings at the tribunal, spawned a U.S. move to fire the Iranians and put the tribunal's future in jeopardy.

The Iranians, both in their 40s, apparently decided Mangard wasn't neutral enough.

As tribunal President Gunnar

Lagergren put it in his suspension order: "A situation exists in which the conduct of arbitration in an appropriate manner is for the time being not feasible."

The setting for the melee was the usually tranquil tribunal headquarters, where jurists of international repute painstakingly arbitrate billions of dollars of American financial claims against the Tehran government.

Security at the three-year-old tribunal is heavy, with surveillance cameras, metal detectors, electric doors and guard posts — most of it demanded by the Iranian delegation, which reportedly fears terrorist attacks.

However, no one expected an attack from the judges themselves.

Relations have generally been cordial between the Iranians and Americans at the tribunal. The two

nations broke off formal diplomatic relations after the 1979 hostage seizure at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran. The tribunal was set up as a result of the Algiers Accords of 1981, under which the hostages were released.

But on the morning of Sept. 3, as the nine tribunal judges — three Americans, three Iranians and three neutral judges — were entering a plenary session, the assault took place.

Iranian Judges Mahmoud Kashani and Shafei Shafeiei, who claim Mangard favors the American cause and have unsuccessfully sought his dismissal, pounced on the courtly and bespectacled Mangard.

Kashani grabbed Mangard's necktie and dragged him toward the building entrance, while Shafeiei punched him in the back,

according to an official U.S. government account obtained by The Associated Press.

The U.S. government representative at the tribunal, John Crook, joined several Iranian attorneys and staff members in pushing the assailants away from Mangard, who was hustled into the tribunal switchboard room. Other diplomats, including Deputy U.S. Representative Dan Price, stood guard.

Hague police, who are not permitted to enter the diplomatic property uninvited, were called and Mangard left his refuge, only to be punched again by Shafeiei, according to the U.S. memorandum. Price intercepted some of the punches meant for Mangard, who finally left the building.

Details of the incident were

independently corroborated by other court sources, who spoke on condition they not be identified.

Kashani and Shafeiei shouted they would repeat their attack if Mangard ever entered the building again, according to the U.S. memorandum, filed with Christian Moons, chief justice of the Dutch Supreme Court.

Moons has the power of judicial appointment and dismissal at the tribunal, but said he would ask to be withdrawn from the case.

He has had run-ins with Kashani in the past over his judicial appointments, "so I think it would be better if someone else handled this challenge," Moons said.

Mangard, who said he was "lucky" not to be injured in the attack, has stayed away from the tribunal on Lagergren's orders.

Meanwhile, his attackers are at

the tribunal daily, a development Mangard said he found "a bit ironical."

"I have been willing to return to work as soon as my Iranian colleagues have made their apologies and given assurances that this is not repeated," he said.

Kashani, reportedly the instigator of the assault, and Shafeiei have refused to apologize. Kashani has said Mangard would be able to return only under American protection.

The Iranian government's representative at the tribunal, Mahmoud Eshragh, considered a moderate at the tribunal, has said the Iranian judges are independent. "We don't interfere in tribunal affairs," he said.

But, in a recent letter to Crook, he claimed that the United States bears responsibility for the attack.

Violent protests, sabotage plague NATO maneuvers

FRANKFURT, West Germany (AP) — Police fired tear gas to disperse 200 demonstrators who cut through the fence of a munitions depot and made close to 100 arrests nationwide as violent protests continued to plague NATO's fall maneuvers.

Government and military officials say the protests have included an increasingly violent series of attacks on soldiers, as well as costly vandalism and acts of sabotage.

On Wednesday, hundreds of demonstrators tried to break into munitions depots, damage military equipment and blockade bases to

protest the Autumn Forge exercises, which involve about 250,000 troops from seven NATO countries.

At least 96 arrests were made during the day in scattered incidents in the strategic Fulda Gap region near the East German border. No serious injuries were reported.

Leaders of the West German peace movement have disassociated themselves from the violence against soldiers, and Carl-Dieter Spranger, an Interior Ministry official, said members of West Germany's "terrorist fringe"

were to blame for most of the trouble.

Spranger provided sketchy details of about half a dozen "life-threatening actions against exercising troops." He said unknown assailants had thrown incendiary devices at military vehicles, sabotaged railway tracks, planted spikes in roads used by convoys and slashed tires.

In the worst incident Wednesday, police fired tear gas to disperse about 200 protesters who had cut through a fence at a munitions depot in Grebenhain, 30 miles northeast of Frankfurt.

Immigration bill deadlocked

WASHINGTON (AP) — The first revision of U.S. immigration law in 30 years is hanging by a thread with House and Senate negotiators deadlocked over the issue of job discrimination.

The conferees broke up Wednesday night after Sen. Alan K. Simpson, R-Wyo., the Senate sponsor of the bill, refused to accept House language barring job discrimination on the basis of national origin or alien status.

"This is a crying shame," said Rep. Hamilton Fish, R-N.Y., a member of the conference committee. "This is a minor issue

compared with the major problems that we have dealt with."

The argument has frozen final action on the bill for days. It is the last item blocking agreement between the chambers on the complex legislation designed to stem the flow of illegal aliens and the first revamping of immigration law since 1952.

But few would say the bill was dead for the remainder of the session. Some members, joking that the bill is said to have more lives than a cat, said a compromise still might be worked out Monday.

This would still leave time, but

just barely, for the House and Senate to take final votes on the measure before leaving town Oct. 4.

The impasse was caused by language in the House bill proposed by Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., which prevents employers from discriminating against U.S. citizens, or non-citizens who are legal residents, on the basis of their national origin or status as aliens.

Simpson insists the provision, adopted by the House, gives aliens rights not enjoyed by U.S. citizens. "We have reached a standoff, a true sticking point," said Simpson.

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Attorney general pushes child support

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — It's time to stop making heroes out of absent parents who fail to make child support payments, Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox says. "For far too long, the figure of the father behind on his support payments has been a comical, sometimes even heroic character in American popular culture," Mattox said in a speech Wednesday.

He spoke at a conference for child support enforcement workers from Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

"Country and western songs like Jerry Reed's 'She Got the Goldmine; I Got the Shaft' and Roger Miller's 'Dang Me (They Ought to Take a Rope and Hang Me)' have glorified irresponsible fathers and contributed greatly to the present problematic public attitude," Mattox said.

"We have got to make it socially unacceptable for absent parents to abandon their children," he said.

Mattox, himself the product of a "broken home," called the failure of parents to pay child support a "national disgrace." He predicted

that in the next 10 years, at least one-third of the children in America will be on welfare before they are 18 if present child-support payment trends continue.

"That's 21 million children," Mattox said. "It is immoral for American fathers to shirk their duty and leave 21 million children to be supported by American taxpayers."

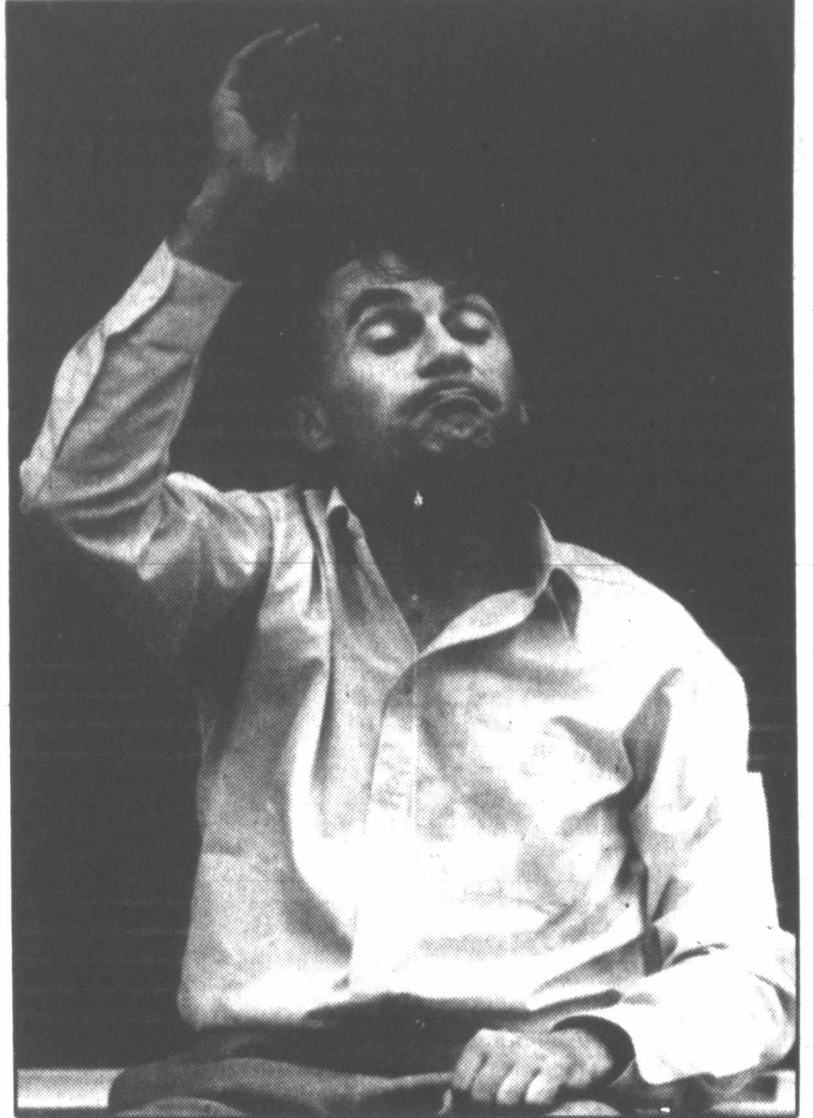
The attorney general said he grew up "in what used to be called a broken home," but he added, "I was one of the lucky ones. My father always paid his child

support.

"Depriving children of nourishment, of clothing, of medical attention and of educational opportunities is just as abusive as physical abuse and just as much a crime," Mattox said.

He noted that 53 percent of all children owed court-ordered child support do not receive the full amount and more than half of those "receive nothing."

"American parents, mostly fathers, are cheating their children out of \$4 billion each and every year," he said.



MUSIC MAN—Serge Zennacker is expressive as he conducts the symphony orchestra at North Texas State University. Zennacker, who is from France, is the school's new symphony director. (AP Laserphoto)

Gramm: Doggett will dodge questions

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — Democrat Lloyd Doggett will try to avoid talking about his record when he squares off against Republican Phil Gramm in a debate Friday night, Gramm predicts.

"He's going to try to create a lot of issues that don't make any sense," the College Station congressman said Wednesday on a campaign swing through Beaumont.

The two are scheduled to meet for the first of two televised debates in College Station Friday night.

Gramm and Doggett, a state

senator from Austin, crossed paths Wednesday in San Antonio, Houston and Beaumont.

Doggett, who has likened the election to the Old Testament battle between David and Goliath, revealed the third of his "smooth stones," charging that Gramm supports the "powerful and privileged."

The race is a "contest between a Texas senator with a record of putting the Davids of Texas first, of fighting for the ordinary, hard-working, taxpaying families of this state, and a politician with a record of putting the Goliaths first, fighting for the powerful and

privileged while turning a deaf ear to the needs and concerns of ordinary Texans," Doggett said in San Antonio, where he spoke in front of the Alamo.

But Gramm, at a San Antonio hotel, said Doggett's "stones" are ludicrous.

"He's got to appeal to these absurdities because he knows he can't win on his own record. He's running around throwing rocks based on no fact at all," he said.

Gramm said Doggett is a millionaire and contributed \$500,000 to his own campaign.

"It's an absurdity to say that I'm a Goliath in this race," he said.

Doggett charged that Gramm received more contributions than any other congressman from the chemical and nuclear industries.

Gramm said he could not verify Doggett's figures on his own contributions from those industries, but he said that because the petrochemical industry is the largest in Texas, "I hope I've received support from them."

Doggett criticized Gramm in Beaumont for opposing the federal Superfund, which helps clean up chemical dumps. Gramm responded that he supports efforts to protect the environment but does not favor the Superfund because it taxes all chemical industries rather than just those that produce dangerous chemicals.

Gramm also said Doggett had contributions from gay rights groups and organizations against a strong national defense.

Punch kills prison inmate

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A state prison inmate ended an argument with another prisoner with a single deadly punch, a prison spokesman says, bringing this year's death toll in violence-plagued Texas prisons to 14.

Clifford R. Shropshire, 31, was declared dead at the Darrington Unit shortly after 4 p.m. Wednesday, chief prison spokesman Phil Guthrie said.

Guthrie said that after an argument, the assailant killed Shropshire instantly by slugging Shropshire's head once with his fist.

"It was not a fight," Guthrie said. "It was just one blow."

Prison spokesman Charles Brown said Brazoria County Peace Justice Walter Matthews has

ordered an autopsy on Shropshire, the 14th Texas prison inmate killed by another prisoner this year.

The 13 others were stabbed to death, many with home-made knives.

Shropshire was serving a 15-year term at the unit about 40 miles south of Houston after being convicted of involuntary manslaughter and failing to stop and render aid in Denton County. He was admitted to the prison in December 1981.

Guthrie said prison officials were questioning a 22-year-old prisoner serving a five-year sentence for burglary of a habitation in Hunt County.

Also Wednesday, another inmate, 24-year-old Richard Bobadillo, was stabbed in an exercise yard at the Darrington

Unit, Guthrie said.

He said Bobadillo, who was stabbed eight times with a home-made knife during a basketball game, was treated at the unit and taken to Angleton-Danbury Hospital.

Guthrie said there was "no reasonable explanation" for the attack.

A 39-year-old inmate serving a two-year sentence for a San Patricio County robbery was being questioned in connection with the stabbing, Guthrie said.

That violence came one day after an inmate was stabbed and a guard injured at two other Texas prison units.

Corrections guard Bobby Pepper, 31, suffered a broken nose and an injured eye at the Ellis II unit near Huntsville.

Student orchestras favorite of NTSU's new conductor

DENTON, Texas (AP) — What worries does a French conductor have about moving to Texas to take over a student orchestra program?

Serge Zennacker, new symphony orchestra conductor at North Texas State University, who has just moved to Denton from France, asks, "Do you eventually get used to this heat?"

Zennacker's home is Mulhouse, France, on a plain about 20 miles from mountains. But he has handled the late-summer Texas heat and a new position with characteristic aplomb.

"I am a very practical man," he said. "I have conducted for years and each conductor does the same job — to correct what we think should be improved and to make music. You don't have anything in mind when you start. You have to deal with the group. I am a practical person."

Zennacker, who has worked both with professional and student orchestras, says he is looking forward to working with the NTSU Symphony Orchestra.

"Music is more than a job," he said. "Working as a conductor with young people is, in some ways, easier than working with professionals, because students are enthusiastic people, but also very demanding — often more than professional musicians."

"This is a difference between conducting professional orchestras and student orchestras. I have conducted mainly professional orchestras, but student orchestras,

too. There is a different approach to music. Students are willing to improve and to learn," he said.

Zennacker's first public performance with the NTSU Symphony Orchestra will be the annual Pops Concert, which traditionally begins the symphony season in Denton. It is set this year for Oct. 4.

The program includes Offenbach's "Orpheus and the Underworld," Bizet's "Carmen Suite No. 1," Rossini's "The Thieving Magpie (Gazza ladra)," J. Strauss's "Perpetuum Mobile," and "Der Fliegender Holländer."

"I hope the program will be good, easy to listen to. As so often is the case in classical music, what is easy to listen to is very difficult to play. One purpose (in choosing difficult pieces) is that it puts everybody in good shape with technically difficult pieces," he said.

Among Zennacker's professional experience is a directorial stint, from 1968 to 1975, with the Mulhouse regional orchestra, one of several state supported orchestras created by the French Ministry of Culture.

"Regional orchestras are recent in France," he said. "They started about 15 years ago under Minister Andre Malraux, who was appointed to try to develop musical life in France. So he created what is called The Plan for symphonies, for opera, for ballet. In the framework of this plan, he created around 15 symphonies and 15

chamber orchestras. This was the start. Most (orchestras) couldn't live without state or community help. I have experience now with both systems (state-supported and privately supported) and my feeling is there are bad things in both systems."

Zennacker is particularly impressed with the extent and amount of promotion American orchestras receive, a light concern in France where orchestras are not dependent on ticket sales for survival.

First heavy rains in a year hit drought-stricken Abilene

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — Rains of nearly three inches have fallen on West Central Texas, delighting area farmers and ranchers who have been battling a 13-month drought.

The rains Tuesday and Wednesday were the most since the Columbus Day floods of 1981 and produced the first measurable runoff in almost a year into Lake Fort Phantom, this city's primary water source.

The saturating rain will give wheat and other small grains that already have been planted a healthy start on their growth, but it came too late for cotton, officials said.

Thousands of acres of cotton have already been plowed under, and most farmers and ranchers have collected the insurance benefits, officials said.

The National Weather Service reported that 2.6 inches of rain fell in little over 24 hours starting at 11 a.m. Tuesday when a strong cold front pushed through the area.

Lake Phantom gained 0.10 inches, its first rise since it recorded a four-inch rise almost a year ago.

Although the increase in the lake level won't cancel the city's mandatory water conservation program, city officials say it will add much-needed moisture to grass since a ban on watering lawns began.

"This is super," said Buzz Jones, a nursery manager. "This is exactly what we needed. We were just getting to the point where serious damage would have been done to grasses."

On July 24, Abilene city officials restricted lawn watering to once every five days. That slowed the decrease of the Phantom reservoir, but not enough to avoid even stricter measures. On Sept. 13, after the reservoir dropped to 20 feet below spillway, all lawn watering was banned and other

water conservation measures were enacted.

"The rainfall has been good to water the grass and help saturate the ground," said Dwaine Hargeshimer of the Abilene water administration office. "With slow rain there is not much run-off. Run-off is needed to raise the lake level. An additional two to three inches might catch three feet in the lake."

The Abilene City Council is scheduled to discuss easing the lawn watering ban at tonight's meeting.

The National Weather Service said this week's rains were by far the heaviest here since the drought officially began in August 1983.

The 24-hour total of 2.60 inches was the most since 6.08 inches fell on Oct. 12-13, 1981, causing the Columbus Day flood that left extensive damage for property

owners near the city's creeks but filled up Lake Phantom.

The latest rain flooded some streets and caused some temporary closings.

The rains will allow grazing for cattle and allow the ranchers and farmers who have not sold their stock to keep them, according to Big Country extension agents. But many long-time stock farmers have already been driven out of business by the lack of feed, stock water and rain.

The rainfall was general and generous around the northern and western sectors of the Big Country. Readings in the two-inch range were common. Fluvanna recorded 3.3 inches and Rotan an even three inches.

Far to the south in the West Texas mountains, two ranches east of Alpine reported seven inches or more.

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Opinion

Europeans look at Reaganomics

Reaganomics may still be a dirty word to Walter Mondale, but the Europeans who once agreed with critics of the president's economic program are now taking a long second look. The reason? Reaganomics has helped to create nearly seven million new jobs for America during the last two years; an amazing feat to Europeans saddled with double-digit unemployment and stagnant economies.

The goal of full employment has been paramount for Western European governments throughout the postwar era. But the impressive growth of the 1950s and 1960s in Western Europe tapered off during the 1970s as welfare statism eroded the work ethic and high taxes diminished incentives for work, savings and investment.

One result is chronically high unemployment. In France, 10 percent of the work force is jobless, up from 7.2 percent when socialist Francois Mitterrand was elected president three years ago. Unemployment rates for other Western European countries vary from 9.1 percent in Denmark to 14.6 percent in Holland.

German economist Wolf Grunner, quoted recently in Business Week magazine, put it succinctly. "The facts speak for themselves. Since 1970, America has created 21 million jobs, while on balance in Europe, we've created none." And inasmuch as almost one-third of those 21 million jobs have been created in just the last two years, the heretofore skeptical Europeans can be forgiven for regarding Reaganomics in a new light.

Ironically perhaps, Mitterrand's French socialists seem especially impressed. Upon visiting Silicon Valley in California this year, President Mitterrand seemed to have an experience similar to Saul's on the road to Damascus. The French government recently announced a new budget that included impressive spending restraints and, voila, Reagan-style cuts in France's income tax rates. Better yet, the cuts are to be effected either by reducing rates across the board or by repealing the surtaxes the socialists imposed on France's middle and upper classes. It seems Mitterrand has discovered supply-side economics—the simple idea that changes in tax rates profoundly affect economic behavior.

If France's socialists can recognize that cutting marginal tax rates is the way to promote growth and create employment, there is hope for everyone else in Europe as well. The next question is: When will American critics of supply-side economics learn, too?

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"Pandering to voters," says Amar Bhide in *OF POLITICS AND ECONOMIC REALITY: THE ART OF WINNING ELECTIONS WITH SOUND ECONOMIC POLICIES* (Basic Books; \$15.95), "contributes to economic efficiency." And, well, that's the kind of book this is - a shake 'em up rattle - their - teeth kind of book.

It's not every contemporary author who quotes Machiavelli approvingly and urges politicians to play powerful lobbies off against each other. However, this isn't in the least a cynical book. On the contrary, it's intensely idealistic.

Bhide's thesis is that, rumors to the contrary, there is no contradiction between sound economic and sound politics. Voters, not being dopes, want the former and are prepared to reward whoever gives it to them. The politicians just don't see this, that's all.

The publishers tell us little about Bhide save that he was born in 1955, graduated from the Harvard Business School specializing in the Far Eastern countries, and works at McKinsey & Co. as a management consultant.

The text tells us much more: such as that Bhide is a committed little - "d" democrat and a pragmatist, and that he winces at all jerking of the ideological knee. Neither welfare - state liberals nor supply - side conservatives will feel completely comfortable with his prescriptions: the liberals less so than the conservatives, given how much longer the liberals have been in business.

Can federal spending be successfully cut? Can unemployment and retirement programs and middle - class subsidies be reduced? Can trade protectionism be shunned? Can tax loopholes be closed? Yes to all of the above says Bhide - never mind the general impression that he who does such things cuts his own political throat.

The ordinary politician, says Bhide, thinks he must buy votes with programs and special favors. In fact he doesn't. The policies that are easiest to sell are those that work the best - those in other words, that promote growth and prosperity. As long - entrenched policies conspicuously don't.

The thesis sounds Reaganesque. Yet Bhide objects to various aspects of Reaganism. Bhide thinks the federal government spends way too much money; moreover, he thinks most voters think so. Alas, Reagan hasn't cut spending at all: instead he has cut taxes, in what Bhide deems a regressive way.

What "a vote - seeking politician" should do, he says, is "to cut expenditure and to press for tax reforms that will put the greatest burden on the fewest voters." He is equally disdainful of monetarism, an entirely too Puritanical form of economic discipline.

Bhide would cut defense spending but not spending on basics, such as education.

But that's about all the comfort liberals get, because Bhide thumbs his nose at trade policies that protect inefficient industries, and at make - work jobs programs, and at unemployment

insurance. He would cut retirement benefits by raising the age at which they start, and he would keep the government out of high tech.

Would the voters buy such a heterodox program? Certainly, Bhide says. The program would work: that's why they would buy it. It would accord with the general sense that government has its place in life but not an overbearing place. Bhide's ideal is the Eisenhower years: years when the tax load was tolerable and progressive and government wasn't trying to solve all available problems.

There are defects of analysis here. I will mention just one from the conservative perspective. Bhide glibly brushes aside the defense question with the advice, talk conservative and spend liberal (i.e., with tight - fistness); but this takes no account of the armed forces; certified needs, which depend entirely on the military posture of the Soviets. Such is not advice; it is a slogan.

What the liberal brethren say about the book is their own business; but I'll offer the following counsel, gratis. Were I a Democrat, looking for ways of recasting the party after the upcoming Mondale debacle, I'd read Bhide attentively.

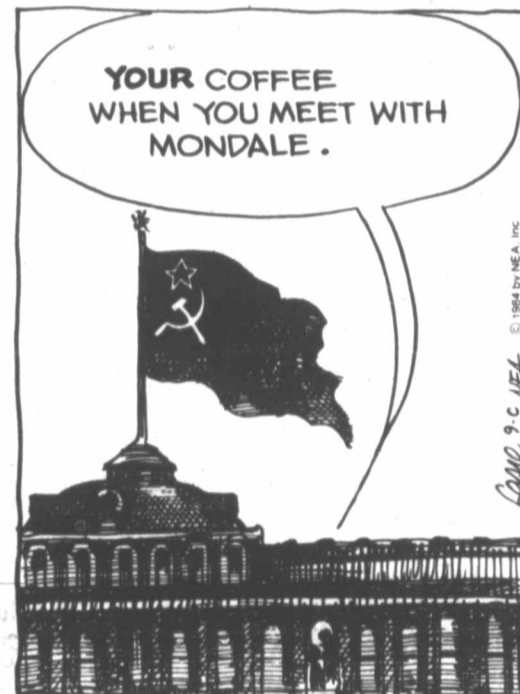
On economics, he offers a way of seeing the center: i.e., a way of pleasing the maximum number of voters through workable policies that transcend ideology. Liberals, who carry around more ideological baggage than conservatives, are perhaps less likely to heed him. But, then, you never know.



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By The Associated Press
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Today's highlight in history:
Twenty years ago, on Sept. 27, 1964, the Warren Commission issued a report concluding that Lee Harvey Oswald had acted alone in assassinating President John F. Kennedy in November 1963.
On this date:

Ten years ago: The director of the U.S. Information Service in the Dominican Republic, Barbara A. Hutchinson, was kidnapped by armed men who then took over the Venezuelan consulate, where they seized several more hostages. (All the hostages were later safely released.)

Five years ago: Congress gave its final approval to a Department of Education.



Lewis Grizzard

Dog owners: pay attention

She told him there was a dog locked in a car outside the office and that the windows in the car were rolled up and that the dog appeared to be in a worsening condition.

King recalled the incident with his own dog. He asked the receptionist if she had called the authorities and notified them.

The receptionist said she had called Animal Control and the police department but both had said they could not be responsible for breaking into a locked automobile, dog or no dog.

King went outside to check on the dog. He assumed the owner was in line waiting to buy his car tag.

"The dog was lying on the floor," he explained. "He was breathing heavily. He was obviously in bad shape."

The lawyer made his decision quickly. He noticed a policeman nearby. He informed the policeman he was going to break into the car and remove the dog. He wanted the policeman to be a witness. He said he would unlock the car, remove the dog, and then lock the car again.

The policeman and a crowd that had gathered watched as King took a coat hanger and unlocked the car door.

The dog, an Irish setter, was semiconscious. King put the dog in the back of the pickup truck of another man and rode with it to a nearby animal hospital.

When the vet took the dog's temperature it was off the scale, which meant it was over 108 degrees.

Meanwhile, the owner had showed up at his car. He wanted to know, "Who the hell broke into my car? Where the hell is my dog?"

When told what had happened, he said he had forgotten about his dog while he waited in line to get his tag.

"What I think happened," said Cary King, "is he got into a long line and didn't want to leave to check on his dog because he would lose his place."

Here is the rest of the story:
The owner did not press charges against King for breaking into his car, and it is assumed that he also paid the vet bill, since King, who agreed to pay it, never received notice of its due.

The vet said if you have to leave your dog locked in a car, no matter for how short a time, leave the window cracked three or four inches.

The dog Cary King tried to save, the Irish setter, died.

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Population: next step is trade

BY CHARLES VAN EATON

The Reagan administration is absolutely right in arguing that free enterprise and the economic growth which inevitably follows from it are essential to the success of any program which aims to reduce the rate of population growth in the economically underdeveloped nations of the world. The evidence of economic and social history will not yield any other conclusion.

But having taken that position at the recent United Nations World Population Conference in Mexico City, it is time for the Administration to practice what it preaches. It is time for Congress and the president to use powers already available to them to initiate the one process which can stimulate the development of free markets in the less developed nations of the world. That process is free and open international trade. Our barriers against imports of manufactured goods from underdeveloped countries must be totally eliminated. Unfortunately that is not being done. If anything - as shown by the recent crack down on textile imports - barriers are being raised.

International trade has been one of the key stimulants to the economic development of the United States, Great Britain, Japan, Hong Kong and virtually every other economically advanced nation. In recognition of the power of international trade to spur economic growth and structural change, the English economist, Sir Dennis Robertson, proclaimed that trade was at all times and everywhere "the engine of growth". Robertson was absolutely right.

International trade is more than simply the movement of goods and services from one country to another. It is first and foremost a powerful signal of consumer wants and resource availability. In response to these signals, entrepreneurs are led to develop resources to

meet consumer demands. The result is economic development.

The premiere expositor of classical economics, John Stuart Mill, saw how international trade generated dynamic change in economic activity. Mill noted that trade did much more than simply lead to a more efficient allocation of productive resources. Allocative efficiency was only the direct effect of trade. Mill argued that, acting indirectly, "the tendency of every extension of the market to improve the process of production can extend the division of labor, allow greater use of machinery, and is more likely to make inventions and improvements in the process of production," than could realized in the absence of trade.

But Mill's and Robertson's view of the positive contributions of trade - a view held by most, though not all, students of economic development - began to be challenged during the period following World War II. A number of economists, especially economists from underdeveloped nations, began to argue that trade was an inferior instrument of change. Direct government intervention and central economic planning were, in their judgment, preferable to trade. As articulated by Dr. Raul Prebisch of Argentina and the United Nations, central planning with trade restrictions captured the imagination of Third - World politicians. As a result, many of the world's poorest nations began to adopt restrictive tariffs and other types of controls over trade. The result has been, as both economic theory and economic history would predict, economic stagnation.

Unfortunately the United States has been failing to exercise the leadership necessary for the promotion of free trade. If anything, we seem to have fallen in line as advocates of protection rather than as advocates of free trade. We have

asked Mexico to "voluntarily" restrict its steel exports. We are applying pressure on Brazil to do the same thing. We have gone beyond the scandal of imposing tougher quotas on textiles (a product in which most economically underdeveloped countries excel) to imposing quotas on articles made by other countries from textiles they import from the underdeveloped nations of the world.

Every one of these restrictions plays into the hands of those Third World economists and politicians who want an excuse for ignoring the signals emitted by a healthy world trade economy in favor of more government intervention and central economic planning. As this process continues unchallenged, the poorest in the underdeveloped countries get poorer. Without hope, they turn even more strongly to their children and population growth continues at rates in excess of what their economies can support.

The poorer nations of the world need free trade to grow. We have the capacity to provide leadership in the area of trade. But we're not doing it.

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WOMEN OF THE YEAR—Actress Elizabeth Taylor, left, and Sarah Brady, wife of White House Press Secretary James Brady, pose with the Women of the Year awards which were presented to them by the USO during a ceremony at Ft. McNair in Washington Wednesday. (AP Laserphoto)

Egypt's foreign minister to meet with Reagan on new peace moves

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Egypt is consulting with the United States at the highest level about the possible renewal of a U.S. peacemaking role in the Arab-Israeli conflict, the state-run Middle East News Agency said today.

The state-run agency said Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid would meet with President Reagan in Washington today to deliver a message from President Hosni Mubarak.

It said the message "deals with the latest developments in the Middle East, particularly a reactivation of the peace process and active participation of the United States."

The Cairo newspaper Al Ahram said Mubarak telephoned Abdel-Meguid on Wednesday to give him "directives" regarding the meeting with Reagan. Abdel-Meguid has been in New York since last week for the current session of the U.N. General Assembly.

The Egyptian-U.S. consultations come two days after Jordan decided to resume diplomatic relations with Egypt following a 5½-year break that stemmed from Egypt's 1979 peace treaty with Israel.

Top Egyptian officials — including Abdel-Meguid, Prime Minister Kamal Hassan Aly and State Minister for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali — said Wednesday that Jordan's move would boost

chances of renewed Arab-Israeli peace talks.

Pro-Soviet Syria and Libya have condemned Jordan's action and threatened to seek an Arab boycott of Jordan in retaliation for the move.

The Reagan administration characterized Jordan's action as "helpful to the cause of peace and stability" in the Middle East.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy, who is on what U.S. officials describe as an "exploratory tour" of the region, met with King Hussein for two hours in Amman on Wednesday, but no details of the talks were released. Murphy has been in the Middle East since last week, when he traveled to Beirut, Lebanon, to investigate the bombing of the U.S. Embassy annex a week ago.

In Beirut, military investigator Elias Mousa refused to release the name of a man believed to be the suicide driver of the bomb-laden van that exploded at the annex, sources said Wednesday.

The sources said U.S. and Lebanese security officials who caught a glimpse of the attacker

had picked one man's photo from several shown them from Lebanese files.

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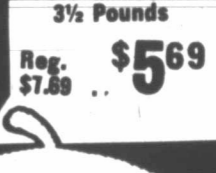
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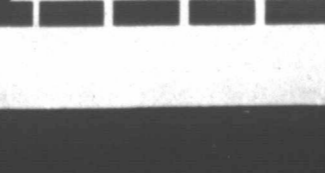


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MAD DRINKER—Jim VanVelzor of Detroit is the leader of Drinkers Against Mad Mothers, a group that says the Mothers Against Drunk Drivers group infringes on the rights of drinkers. VanVelzor is shown sitting in a Detroit bar. (AP Laserphoto)

Grain elevator wants hearing on shortage

PLAINVIEW, Texas (AP) — An attorney for the country's largest grain warehouse said he doesn't think the federal government will take over the facility before giving it a fair hearing.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture ordered PLB Grain Storage's owner on Tuesday to pay \$2.9 million by Friday to cover the cost of 966,000 bushels of missing corn.

The corn was discovered missing from the PLB warehouse during a surprise raid by Texas Department of Agriculture inspectors this summer.

"The bottom line is, there is a shortage that has been known and we owe X amount of dollars," PLB attorney Fred Thompson told the Amarillo Globe-News. "We have no reason to believe the government would come down on us after a good relationship without a hearing."

Commodity Credit Corp. the federal government's manager of surplus commodities, owned most of the missing grain. CCC stored up to 22 million bushels of grain at the facility since May 1980.

Thompson said the contract with CCC states the grain must be replaced or paid for, but that a hearing must be held before the government can take control of the facility.

Herbert Cast, a spokesman for Commodity Credit Corp. in Kansas City, agreed a hearing would be necessary before the government could claim the warehouse.

But he said P.L. Blake, the warehouse owner, still is responsible as a warehouseman "for full quality and quantity" upon delivery.

The Plainview elevator was shut down Sept. 13 after the surprise inspection revealed the facility was short \$3.1 million worth of grain.

Thompson said he does not believe PLB has violated the contract because the disappearance of the grain is due to an operational shortage. He said he doesn't expect the contract with CCC to be terminated.

The grain was discovered missing by federal government inspectors in August, said Merrill Marxman, deputy administrator for commodity operations.

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Hong Kong accord has big implications for little Taiwan

PEKING (AP) — China's pledge to protect Hong Kong's free-enterprise system after the 1997 takeover from Britain commits the Communists to a policy with far-reaching implications for Taiwan, another capitalist enclave Peking wants to reincorporate.

Diplomats say the Chinese-British pact to return Hong Kong to China when Britain's lease expires in 13 years is part of Peking's strategy to dispel Taiwanese doubts about its "one country, two systems" idea and gives China a propaganda advantage.

"This is a concrete example of the soft-line approach they have been peddling since 1978," said a Western diplomat. "It's a milestone along the way."

The sources, from Western and Asian countries, spoke on the condition that they not be identified.

The pact, initiated Wednesday in Peking, guarantees that post-colonial Hong Kong's economic and social systems will remain unchanged for at least 50 years and specifies that Hong Kong's 5.5 million people will enjoy a large degree of autonomy.

Chinese newspaper

commentaries are going to make the point that China is taking a very enlightened approach. This is meant for Taiwan as well as Hong Kong," the Western diplomat said.

An Asian colleague said China wants the pact to "act as a magnet to Taiwan, where people still harbor suspicions about China's intentions."

The Communists, who once proclaimed "we will liberate Taiwan," dropped that line six years ago and said they wanted peaceful reunification with the island, ruled by the rival Nationalists since they fled mainland China in 1949 during the Communist takeover.

Peking now says it would let Taiwan's 19 million people keep their present government, economic structure and defense force if they "rejoin the motherland." The Nationalists have rejected all Communist overtures as lies.

In Taipei, the government expressed "grave condemnation" of the Hong Kong pact, reflecting the view that the Nationalists are China's rightful rulers.

Taiwan reacted to the pact by offering homeowner loans and easy travel conditions to Hong Kong's Chinese residents who want to

settle on Taiwan.

Taiwan's prime minister, Yu Kuo-hwa, said children of Hong Kong residents would receive priority to study at Taiwan's schools.

Businessmen in Taiwan have predicted a gloomy future for Hong Kong under Peking. But they also say Taiwan could suffer economically and lose Hong Kong as a trading partner because the Nationalist government forbids its citizens to trade with China. Hong Kong is Taiwan's fourth-largest trading partner. Taiwanese businessmen use dummy corporations in Hong Kong to trade with China.

Diplomats in Peking speculated that the Nationalist denunciation of the pact signals fear that the Communists will honor the agreement and vindicate the "one country, two systems" idea.

"The Nationalists are nervous that maybe this kind of approach will also appeal to people on Taiwan," one diplomat said.

"Most observers believe Hong Kong will die a slow economic death between now and the end of the century," Taipei radio said in a recent commentary. "The Communists have promised 50 years of unchanged economy."

Computer program offered cities

AUSTIN (AP) — A fill-in-the-blank computer program developed by the Texas Railroad Commission will better prepare cities to negotiate natural gas rates, commissioner James Nugent says.

"In the past, the cities have come to the bargaining table at a disadvantage in terms of data and the expertise to interpret the data," Nugent said. "This program is one more step to help them come to the table better prepared."

Nugent displayed the computer program at a news conference Wednesday, and said it should remove "complications and mystery" from the setting of gas utility rates.

Texas law requires city councils to decide gas rates, but appeals come to the Railroad Commission, which has the authority to provide assistance to cities in rate cases.

Nugent said the computer program "is written so cities can take the information provided by the gas company and simply fill in the blanks in the various parts of

the program. From that point, the program will give the city council a bottom line cost per thousand cubic feet of gas."

He added that "we can make any one of a number of adjustments to the company's numbers and know immediately what effect those adjustments will have on the company's profit picture and the consumer's pocketbook."

Demonstrating how the program works was Ben Boyd, a revenue analyst in the commission's Gas Utilities Division and also mayor of Pflugerville, a small city the program might help.

Nugent said the program is designed for small computers that already are available to most Texas cities with more than 5,000 residents.

"It is our intention to have these programs in the Railroad Commission Gas Utility Division Library," Nugent said. "Any city that wants to avail themselves of it can come to the Railroad Commission and check the program out."

Nugent also said the commission would conduct three- or four-hour training sessions for city officials to learn to use the computer program, "and they can take the program home and use it as a tool in their bargaining session with the utilities."

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Humans a problem for alligators

PORT ARTHUR, Texas (AP)—The first alligator hunting season in Texas in 15 years has ended but the prehistoric creature's battle for living space in the state's coastal marshes continues.

The reclusive reptile has been retrieved from the state's endangered species list and would now prefer to live alone in the swampy areas along the coast, feeding on muskrats, fish and an occasional bird.

But it keeps acquiring human neighbors.

"The wetlands really suffer from residential development," said state biologist Bruce Thompson, program leader for the alligator season that ended Monday. "We're hoping to provide an economic incentive to landowners to maintain the natural habitat of the alligator."

Thompson estimated hides from the 437 alligators taken in the recent hunt would bring between \$14 and \$20 per foot.

Meat from the alligator sells for \$2 to \$3 per pound in nearby Louisiana, Thompson said, but there has been no big market for the meat from the first Texas hunt.

"The health restrictions are pretty strict," Thompson said. "We wanted to be sure that the

meat was properly prepared for sale. You wouldn't want to buy something that wasn't safe."

Thompson said Texas Parks and Wildlife Department surveys indicated about 790 alligators could be harvested without threatening the alligator population.

Only 193 hunters purchased licenses for \$25 each however and only 474 tags were issued to landowners for distribution to the hunters. That left 353 alligators still in the marshes that could have been taken.

"We expected more than 600 tags to be issued," Thompson said. "I guess some didn't believe the quotas were high enough and didn't bother to get their tags."

State surveys determined where concentrations of alligators resided and set quotas for sections of 11 counties. Different quotas were assigned to certain sections of land.

Thompson said the first hunt was

purposefully conservative. "We didn't want to jump into anything too quickly," Thompson said. "We wanted to take one step at a time."

Next year's hunt may be expanded to other areas, Thompson said, and quotas may be increased in some of the areas hunted this year.

Another goal of the first hunt was to rid the area of some of the large, nuisance alligators that tend to wander onto highways and down residential streets, creating the expected response.

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SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — In San Antonio love matches are no longer being made in heaven. They're being made on the freeway.

All it takes is a car and a bumper sticker from "Moving Singles" or "Bumper Connections," two new dating services that have started operations in San Antonio.

"This is a really informal way to meet people," said Sheryl Wood, one of two women who began "Moving Singles" two months ago after hearing of similar clubs in other cities. "They don't have to wait until after 7 p.m. to do it."

"It's a fantastic concept," said Cleve Scarborough, who helps operate the two-week-old "Bumper Connections." "It beats anything that's available on the market. You can actually see the person and the car they're driving."

The "Want to Meet Me?" bumper sticker is the primary ingredient used by both services.

Clients pay an annual fee — \$25 for "Moving Singles" and \$29.95 for "Bumper Connections." They fill out forms stating likes and dislikes and are given a bumper sticker with a membership number.

When a member spots one of the stickers, he notes the number and phones it in. He then gets a biography of the other member. Members' identities are protected until both parties agree to meet.

A big plus to the idea is the safety factor, Ms. Wood said.

Members are screened through their application forms, but potential matches get a chance to view them on the freeway before making contact.

"I used to be in sales and 80 percent of my time was in the car," she said. "The only people I'd meet were business associates. This way, the opportunities to meet people are endless. It doesn't have to be at a happy hour."

At first, Ms. Wood, who is single,

said she had some hesitation about displaying a bumper sticker that advertised her single status. But she said her stickers are "discreetly designed."

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NIPPED IN THE BUD Flower and vegetable gardens in Wyoming got caught by an early snow storm this week that left up to 21 inches of snow and dropped temperatures below freezing. A worker at the State Archives, Museum and Historical Department, Carolyn Byers, tries to take one last sniff of flowers outside her office. (AP Laserphoto)

Running a frog collectors' club keeps Harr hopping

By JUDY HARPER
The Scottsdale Daily Progress

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — It all began when his girlfriend, who later became his wife, purchased an orange, yellow and green shower curtain. To coordinate, she picked up a toothbrush holder, soap dish and hand towels — all displaying frogs with bright orange and yellow eyes.

"Then someone gave me a card with a frog on it and then a T-shirt. From that point, I just kind of latched onto frogs," said Bobby Harr.

Twelve years later, he added, "I still have the frogs but not the wife."

Harr, 34, is founder and president of the Frog Connection, a Scottsdale-based frog collectors' club. For the past three years he has been studying frogs and frog paraphernalia and started the club last year to bring collectors together.

Members get a calendar with prints of frogs and the Frog Chronicles, a quarterly publication with such features as the Lily Pad question and answer column, Croaks (negative) and Ribets (positive) comments and the Toadal Shopper, a swap and shop section.

"There are about a half million people who collect frogs, but until I started this club, there wasn't any information on collecting," he said. "And frogs are just like antiques — they aren't worth anything without documentation."

Harr has everything from a lead

frog to a frog back massager. Even his carpet is green.

A "Welcome to my Pad" doormat prepares visitors for what's inside Harr's studio apartment, but even that isn't enough to warn of the 300 or so frogs that share the abode. Every nook and cranny of the apartment is occupied by the four-legged amphibians. Signs suggest such ideas as "Housework causes warts" and "Beauty is only skin deep — thank God."

Dressed in a frog shirt with frog tie, frog belt buckle, frog ring and even a Frogger video game watch, Harr, a shoe salesman, takes his froggy world with him. He not only plans to paint his '76 Hornet green but also to paint it to resemble a frog. He has ordered "FROG 1" license plates.

He says that while he comes across frog items daily, he tries his hardest not to add to his collection.

"I buy very few anymore, but everyone is always giving them to me. I'd say two-thirds of these were given to me."

"People think I have a lot of frogs, but really I don't," he added. "The most I've encountered that anyone has is 2,000. But it's funny. No one has said they have more than 2,000. That seems to be the magical number."

"I don't know where people put them," Harr went on. "Someday when I get a house, though, I'm going to have one room with a sign on the door of a frog in a circle with a line through it. And I'm not going to have a single frog in that room, so I can get away from them every now and then."

Las Vegas, N.M., making a comeback

LAS VEGAS, N.M. (AP) — Las Vegas — a community divided through the years by river, railroad and politics — is pulling together these days with a renewed interest in its heritage and signs of new growth.

The city's Old Town area has been characterized for many years by boarded-up windows in buildings on the plaza and by bickering and poverty.

But Las Vegas has gotten lucky in recent years. A new infusion of money from the Armand Hammer United World College of the Southwest, the \$60 million Public Service Company of New Mexico, Montana de Fibras fiberboard plant and the renovated Plaza Hotel began generating more activity than had been seen here in 15 years.

"As long as I can remember, most of the buildings around here have been boarded up," says Elmo Baca, a historic preservationist and native Las Vegas.

The economic boost brought with it a psychological boost Baca says made Las Vegas think, "Hey, we're special."

"They happened within three or four years of each other, and all of a sudden people see the town much differently," he says.

Living loan grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, have formed La Plaza Vieja Inc.

With the revolving loan fund and private loans, La Plaza Vieja and

individual property owners have agreed to restore several buildings, many of them built around the turn of the century.

The Plaza-Bridge Street historic district is an assemblage of 82 Victorian-era buildings that feature styles known as Italianate, Mission Revival, World's Fair Classic and Territorial.

The facades of the boomtown-era buildings are somewhat unusual in New Mexico, a fact noted by state and federal historic agencies. Las Vegas has received the Iloa Fe Trail in 1835. Along the trail grew the central plaza, which boasted hotels and other businesses related to the cross-country trade.

The traditional plaza, on the west side of the Gallinas River in the area known as Old Town, is a central park and business center surrounded by residential neighborhoods traversed by narrow, winding streets and adobe houses.

The city took on a new character in 1879, when the Santa Fe Railroad pushed its steel corridor to Las Vegas on the east side of the Gallinas River. For two years, Las Vegas was the only railroad port of entry in New Mexico, and the town

controlled the territory's trade for nearly 10 years.

In typical railroad style, east Las Vegas, still known as "new town" after 100 years, was built with survey-straight streets and orderliness that was foreign to the largely Hispanic west-siders.

As in world affairs, there was tension and ethnic strife between east and west. It continued in some degree even after the two towns voted to incorporate Las Vegas as one city in 1970.

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Atlanta's interstates being modernized

By CAROLYN S. CARLSON
Associated Press Writer
ATLANTA (AP) — The end is in sight for the massive reconstruction of Atlanta's interstate highways, a \$1.4 billion project that has had tourists and commuters veering across improvised lanes and dodging orange cones for more than eight years.

In what state Transportation Commissioner Tom Moreland said is one of the largest, most intensive ongoing construction projects in the world, thousands of workers are rebuilding more than 125 miles of interstate highways that cross and encircle Georgia's capital.

The aim, by the completion date of 1988, is to quadruple capacity of a system designed in the mid-1940s, working quickly and safely under full traffic conditions, Moreland said.

"Atlanta's interstate system was built before and during the early part of construction of the nation's interstate system," he said. "We've got a pretty good skeleton there, but we've got to put some muscle there as far as capacity is concerned."

The work began in 1976 after all the gaps were filled in the statewide interstate system, said Alton L. "Tony" Dowd Jr., the state Department of Transportation's preconstruction engineer.

Initial work involved widening I-285, the 63-mile highway encircling the city which was first completed in 1969.

Also widened were portions of the three major highways

intersecting in Atlanta: I-20, which runs east-west from central South Carolina to northern Alabama; I-85, a northeast-southwest artery stretching from southern Alabama to northern South Carolina; and I-75, a north-south route across Georgia from Tennessee to Florida.

Work has been completed on 73.5 miles of metropolitan interstate highway at a cost of almost \$230 million, according to DOT figures.

But that was the easy part.

Currently under way are projects valued at almost \$700 million involving construction of 41.6 miles in 12 different areas of the metropolitan interstate system.

These include four difficult interchanges between I-285 and Interstates 75, 85 and 20, as well as the extremely complicated mergers of I-85 and I-75 above and below the core of the system, an eight-mile-long, soon to be 10-lanes-wide north-south corridor known as the downtown connector.

All of the completed and ongoing work has been on schedule in the midst of crushing commuter traffic with target completions coming up almost monthly between now and December 1986.

Still to go are projects estimated to cost at least \$413 million which cover 12.2 miles, most of which involves rebuilding the sprawling interchange where I-20 crosses the I-85-75 connector between the gold-domed state Capitol and the Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium.

The state has paid for the work so far mostly with its normal allotment of federal highway

funds.

But, Moreland said, progress on the reconstruction project was accelerated greatly by \$200 million in state bonds issued in 1979-80 that financed enough preconstruction planning to allow the state to obtain unclaimed federal funds earmarked for not-quite-ready interstate projects elsewhere.

"It's taken a while, but if we get our funds this year, we hope to complete the whole thing in 1988," Dowd said. "That'll be 12 years in reconstruction, when it took 20 years to build the initial system."

However, the timetable for starting and finishing the final reconstruction segments is up in the air because Congress only appropriated 50 percent funding for last year's highway bill.

"We are being held up at a rather critical time," Moreland said. "If they don't get one (an appropriations bill) prior to adjournment, that means we'll have lost a whole year. But even if we're delayed until next year, we hope to finish it by 1988. It's probably cost us a year, at best, already."

The interstates could not be closed during the rebuilding because Atlanta had no strong arterial street system to fall back on, Dowd said. But, he said, contractors almost always have kept open the same number of lanes that existed prior to construction, even though the location of the temporary lanes may be far from the original path and may change daily, even hourly.


Surprisingly, safety has not been

a major problem.

Motorists driving on Atlanta's newly rebuilt system should find it safer and much less congested as its capacity for traffic quadruples; daily traffic on the downtown connector alone is expected to jump from 50,000 vehicles to 200,000 vehicles.

Regular commuters can take heart in figures that show they may not have to endure more construction until well into the next century.

Dowd said traffic volumes are projected to average below the new system's capacity until at least the year 2000 and as late as 2010 if Atlanta's rapid rail system is expanded.



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AGANA, Guam (AP) — The bright sunlight glistens on 21 white grave markers. Some bear the names of privates and corporals of the K-9 Corps, while others are merely marked "unknown."

The cemetery is small but unusual, because it is a cemetery for dogs. The sign reads "American War Dog Cemetery."

Before 1942, the United States military use of dogs was limited to arctic areas, where they were used as sled dogs. During World War II, however, 1,000 dogs of various breeds were trained and sent overseas for scouting, patrol and sentry duty. Many of these dogs, like their human handlers, never returned from the war.

Today, near Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, the white grave markers stand as a silent memorial to the 21 canines that are buried there. The American War Dog Cemetery was moved to its present location when the ocean threatened to wash away the old cemetery. Men of the 3960th

Combat Defense Squadron sentry dog section have maintained the cemetery ever since.

War dogs buried here served as scouts, mine dogs, sentries and messengers during the liberation of Guam from the Japanese in 1944. The dogs, with their handlers, flushed the enemy from the thousands of cave, jungle and wooded hiding places of the island.

George G. Flores, a Dededo fireman, was familiar with the dogs assigned to the 21st Marines, 3rd Battalion, 1st Brigade, with which he served as a scout.

"We trusted the dogs completely," said Flores. "They saved our lives more than once. The Japanese would set up an ambush in a cave or in the jungle and the dogs would sense it. When the dogs started to hunch down and crawl in a certain direction, glancing over their shoulders at us, we would know that something was wrong. Most of the time the enemy was ahead and we were ready for him."

Sometimes the dogs were helpful in the capture of prisoners.

"One dog, I remember in particular," said Flores, "would always get under cover when the shooting began. He would hide behind a tree or rock where he couldn't be seen, much less hit. As soon as the shooting stopped, however, he was the first one to approach the Japanese area. He would catch and hold wounded Japanese until we could get there."

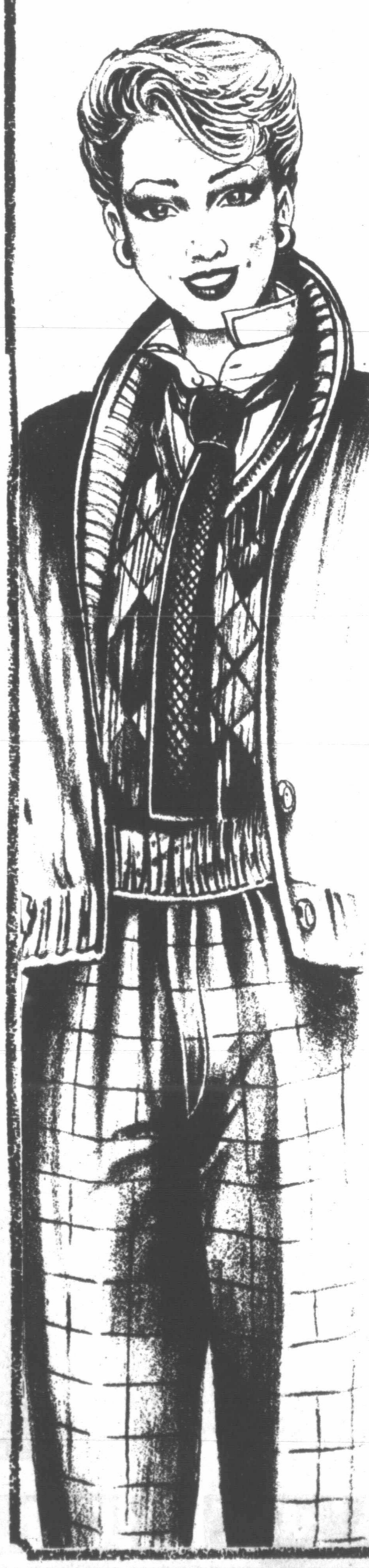
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Plans underway in Pampa for food bank drive

Plans are underway for Pampa's participation in the High Plains Food Bank Drive scheduled for one week only, Oct. 14 through Oct. 20. Rosamond Reeves is general chairman of the local drive to collect canned goods. All food collected in Pampa will be divided equally among the four Pampa participating agencies, Good Samaritan House, Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels and Genesis House. However, the amount of food collected in Pampa will be counted toward the High Plains Food Bank goal of 60,000 pounds of canned food.

For the local drive, Meals on Wheels, under the direction of Ann Loter, is responsible for procuring

trucks to pick up the food from the drop sites and transporting it to the warehouse. David Holt is in charge of arrangements with grocery stores.

The Salvation Army, with Leona Willis in charge is to be in charge of the food drive in the Pampa schools and will be responsible for contacting large businesses and corporation to promote a drive among employees. Serving on the Pampa Food Bank Drive committee is Maggie Ivey.

Good Samaritan House, whose committee representative is Reed Echols, is responsible for contacting clubs, organizations and churches.

Publicity, signs and warehousing is to be the responsibility of Genesis House, guided by Jane Kadingo.

The High Plains Food Bank, located in Amarillo but serving the entire Panhandle, is a non-profit organization committed to collecting, storing and distributing food that would otherwise be wasted or destroyed. This food is channeled through participating non-profit agencies to the sick, the

poor and crisis victims. Senior citizens groups, churches, mission centers, youth homes and other service agencies use the Food Bank.

The food comes from local and national wholesaler, retailers, producers, farmers and volunteer donors, says Reeves, chairman of the Pampa drive. Much of the food collected is simply unsaleable by industry standards, though still edible and nourishing. Often

wholesome foods are not sold because of production surplus, errors in packaging or distribution problems. Food is also taken off the shelf according to pull date, though it is still wholesome. By donating surplus food, hunger and waste in the Texas Panhandle can be eliminated.

The benefits of food banking are great, Reeves explains. Less food is wasted and hungry people are fed. Charitable agencies' funds are

freed for other important needs. It is estimated that for every dollar spent in operating costs, the Food Bank channels \$20 worth of food to the hungry.

Cost of Food Bank items to participating agencies is \$10 per pound to cover storage and operating costs, which are minimal. This represents tremendous savings to the feeding programs of the participating Pampa agencies, Reeves says.

Blood test may help diagnose Alzheimer's

Alzheimer's disease affects some two million people over the age of 65 and many more people suffer from treatable dementias that are mistaken for Alzheimer's.

Because of increased research into Alzheimer's disease, it has been determined that one fifth of all cases of suspected senility have treatable causes and can be at least partially reversed. Disorders involving the kidneys, liver or thyroid can cause a mental decline similar to that suffered by Alzheimer's patients. Brain tumors and blood clots as well as depression in the elderly can often masquerade as Alzheimer's disease.

Careful clinical examination is necessary to determine if the loss of memory and disorientation about time and place associated with Alzheimer's disease is caused by that disease or by another treatable disorder.

Because the only way to definitely determine if a person has Alzheimer's disease is to perform an autopsy, physician diagnosis can be complicated and inconclusive. But George Glenner, M.D., professor of pathology and director of the Alzheimer's Disease Brain Bank and Research at the University of California at San Diego, La Jolla, has isolated an abnormal protein in the vessels of

the brain of Alzheimer's patients that may be derived from a blood serum protein. This may lead to a specific diagnostic test for Alzheimer's disease.

Glenner will discuss his work during the Norman Rockwell Conference on Alzheimer's Disease set for Oct. 18-20 at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) in Lubbock.

Glenner has determined that a protein made up of amyloid (silk-like) fibers is in the vessels of the brains of those persons who have been proven by autopsy to have Alzheimer's disease.

The only other major group showing signs of amyloid fibers are adult Down syndrome patients. Other research has shown that almost all adults suffering from Down syndrome who reach age 35-40 will die with a dementia that appears to be identical to Alzheimer's disease.

Glenner believes that the positive isolation and identification of this amyloid fiber protein is the first step toward developing a specific diagnostic blood serum test for Alzheimer's disease.

His work may also lead to the first predictable model of Alzheimer's disease since he has determined that adult Down syndrome patients do actually

share this amyloid protein with Alzheimer's patients.

Glenner will be one of 36 researchers presenting their work during the Norman Rockwell Conference on Alzheimer's disease. The conference is sponsored by the TTUHSC Tarbox

Parkinson's Disease Institute. The Institute, named for former Texas state legislator Elmer Tarbox who suffers from Parkinsonism, is dedicated to furthering patient care, research and education in Parkinson's disease and related neurological disorders.



Dear Abby

Relative's casual affection could lead to sexual abuse

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I witnessed something last evening that distressed me greatly.

My aunt and uncle were trying to bribe their 2-year-old daughter with candy to hug and kiss some relatives the child had never seen before. The child was obviously shy and didn't want to put on a phony show of affection to people who were virtually strangers to her.

With all the horror stories about children being sexually abused these days, parents should not encourage their children to hug and kiss people they have never seen before—even if they are relatives. It makes that child all the more vulnerable to sexual abuse should a relative (or a stranger) try to take improper liberties in the future.

All children should be taught that it's OK for them to say no if they don't want to be touched, hugged or kissed.

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DEAR CONCERNED: You are concerned with good reason. We've all seen well-intentioned grown-ups encourage reluctant youngsters to "go kiss Uncle So-and-So" without realizing the incipient danger you point out.

Thanks for caring enough to write. I learned something valuable today.

DEAR ABBY: We received a wedding invitation from a casual acquaintance. What are our obligations? We have never socialized with these people. Must we send a gift even if we decline the invitation? My wife says yes. I disagree. My wife received an invitation to a shower. She declined the invitation. Is it necessary to send a gift anyway? Again, she's not a close friend of the bride or the hostess.

My wife insists that everyone who receives a shower invitation is expected to send a gift whether she attends the shower or not. I submit that no gift is required unless the invitation is accepted.

I realize that this is not exactly an earthshaking problem, but if you say I'm right, my wife will have to buy me a lobster dinner.

PHILIP C. IN WEST HARTFORD

DEAR PHILIP: Tell Mrs. C. she owes you a lobster dinner.

DEAR ABBY: I am 79, soon to be 80. A friend told me that you once printed something funny about the joys of turning 80. Will you please run it again?

LEO THE LION

DEAR LEO: With pleasure:

DEAR ABBY: We oldsters sure do get away with a lot just because we've managed to keep breathing longer than most folks. I have just celebrated my 80th birthday and I've got it made.

If you forget someone's name or an appointment or what you said yesterday, just explain that you are 80, and you will be forgiven. If you spill soup on your tie, or forget to shave half your face, or take another man's hat by mistake, or promise to mail a letter and carry it around in your pocket for two weeks, just say, "I'm 80, you know," and nobody will say a thing.

You have a perfect alibi for everything when you're 80. If you act silly, you're in your "second childhood."

Being 80 is much better than being 70. At 70 people are mad at you for everything, but if you make it to 80, you can talk back, argue, disagree and insist on having your own way because everybody thinks you are getting a little soft in the head.

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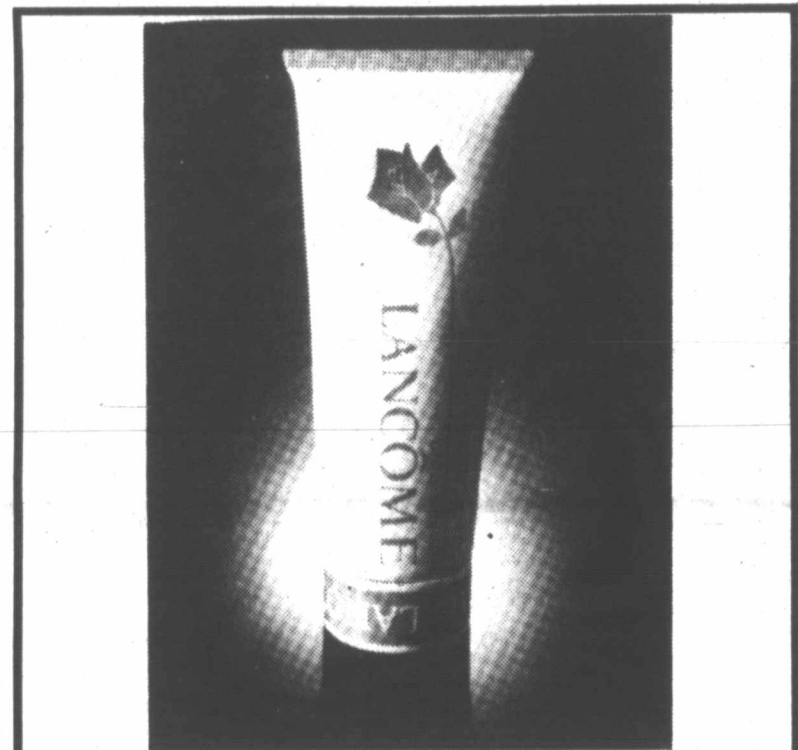


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Catalogs offer range of fashions

By Florence De Santis

NEW YORK (NEA) — Fashion catalogs are being used to sell millions of dollars worth of clothing, and

the merchandise prices range from low to hundreds of dollars. Like stores, many catalogs specialize in sizes or in certain kinds of clothes; others show a wide wardrobe range or carry name designer items.

Catalogs have to be more wary about fashion than stores do. A woman shopping at home may be less impulsive about buying a pictured garment than she would be in a store setting. Many stores, in fact, are now producing catalogs, and their offerings are often more conservative than what you'll see in the store's windows.

The menswear look is there, but not in its extreme versions. The designer names run more to Liz Claiborne-types than to Perry Ellis, and such fads as "flash dance" or Japanese ragged layers get only cautious reference.

Sportswear and knit separates in coordinated colors get a very big play. In catalogs like Chadwick's of Boston, specializing in such separates, the fall styles range from classics through the latest in graphic-patterned sweaters and street urchin looks. They add a few easy suits and dresses to give a woman her whole fall wardrobe except for evening wear. Evening and cocktail clothes, however, can be found in other catalogs.

Some catalogs have made their success in filling a special niche, such as the one put out by Piaffe, a New York store for petite women, which has found even more customers by showing its styles to home purchasers.

Another is Royal Silk, founded on the belief that most women love silk

but can't afford designer collection silk fashions. Starting cautiously with classic shirts and blouses, Royal Silk has expanded until its current fall catalog offers sport separates, knits and dresses, all in either pure silk or blends with cotton and other fibers.

With the highest item priced at \$75, and many much lower (because Royal Silk styles and manufactures everything itself), the catalog now includes silk-blend knits and such updated styling touches the Japanese influence. Typical is their dolman-sleeved chemise in Japanese silk printed with fuchsia flowers, spaced and drifting on a cream-and-black ground.

Accessories are new items for many fashion catalogs. While there are catalogs specializing in handbags and shoes, many now offer these items to coordinate with their clothes, plus jewelry, scarves and a few classic hat styles. It's like having a whole store in your home.

(EDITORS: Your readers may want to write for the Royal Silk catalog. Royal Silk, Royal Silk Plaza, 45 E. Madison Ave., Clifton, NJ 07011.)



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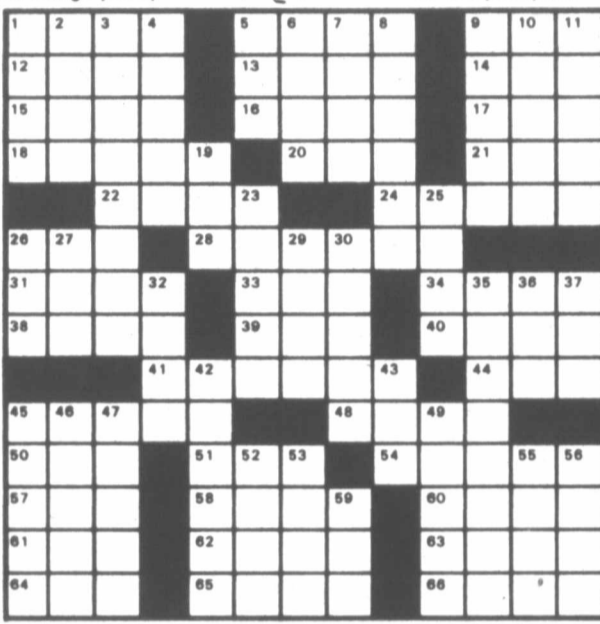
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- 5 Hera's husband
- 9 College degree (abbr.)
- 12 Sacred bird of the Nile
- 13 Word of division
- 14 He
- 15 _____ contend- are plea
- 16 Bridge support
- 17 Soul (Fr.)
- 18 Musical instrument
- 20 Energy-saving time (abbr.)
- 21 Understanding
- 22 Egyptian deity
- 24 That is (Lat., 2 wds.)
- 26 Tipple
- 28 Flowering shrub
- 31 Lacquered metalware
- 33 1051, Roman
- 34 Ezekiel's nickname
- 38 Customer
- 39 Author Fleming
- 40 Yeoman
- 41 Long step
- 44 Dance step
- 45 Sherry
- 48 Air (comb. form)
- 50 Last queen of Spain
- 51 Decrease
- 54 Oxidates
- 57 Portmanteau
- 58 The one here
- 60 Night (Fr.)
- 61 Prior to
- 62 Chemical salts
- 63 _____ La Douce
- 64 These (Fr.)
- 65 Author Gardner
- 66 Require

DOWN

- 3 Arable
- 4 Italian commune
- 5 Fly
- 6 Novelist
- 7 Shoshoneans
- 8 Sudden attack
- 9 Slow
- 10 Vapors
- 11 In regard to (Scot.)
- 19 Chilean Indian
- 23 Smyrna
- 25 Bemuse
- 26 Energy unit (abbr.)
- 27 Island of the Aegean
- 29 Kirghiz mountain range
- 30 Actress
- 32 Irish-Gaelic
- 35 Frontage
- 36 Hawaiian timber tree
- 37 Ensign (abbr.)
- 42 Disease carrying fly
- 43 Always (post.)
- 45 Boat
- 46 Finnish lake
- 47 Ravas
- 49 Arrest
- 52 Indian weight
- 53 Greenback
- 55 Duration
- 56 Village in South Africa
- 59 Compass point

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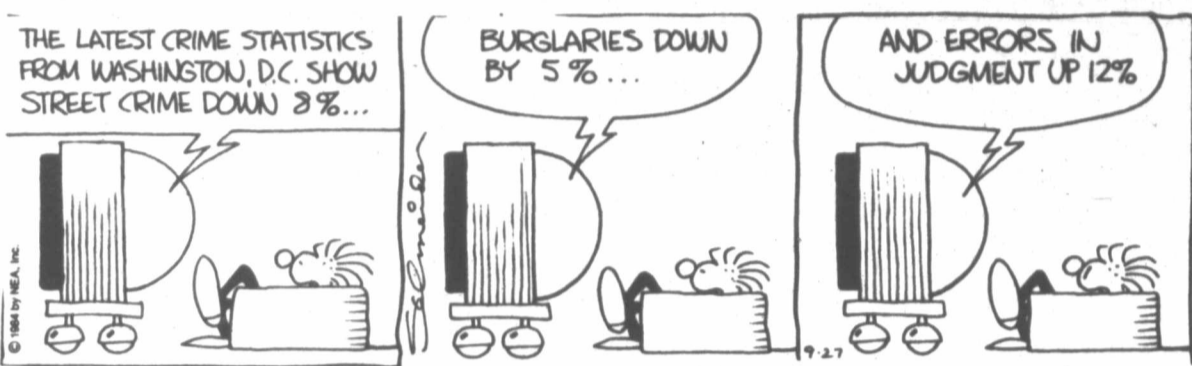
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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Do more listening than talking today because some valuable information could be passed on to you through a chummy chitchat with a friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) An important objective can be achieved today, provided you take things one step at a time. Be certain of your footing when making each move.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Knowledge and expertise that you possess give you a slight edge over your competition today. Keep a cool head and you should come out the winner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Heed your intuition and follow your instincts in career matters today. They will help you discern factors that are not obvious to associates.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Although you may prefer to function independently today, you are apt to fare better with a partner than you would playing it alone. Be team-minded.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your efforts will not go unnoticed today, but the size of your rewards may not be as large as you anticipate. Be reasonable about your expectations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You have the faculty today of putting others at ease and getting them to talk about themselves. They'll think you're a brilliant conversationalist.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The little things you do for others today will prove to be more important than you may think. They'll not forget that you really care.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You should be very clever today working on projects that require a creative or imaginative twist. Your originality will stand out like your signature.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be grateful today for small gains, instead of looking for a big score. Dimes and nickels, back-to-back, can add up to a tidy sum.

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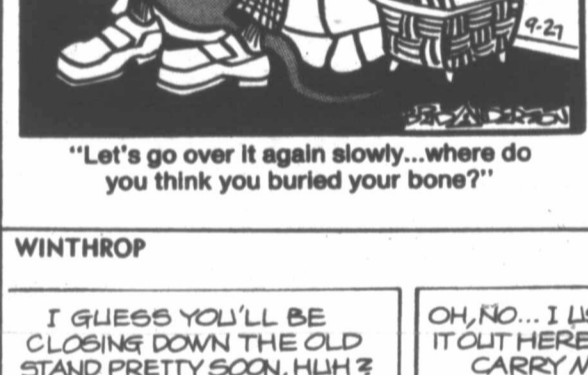
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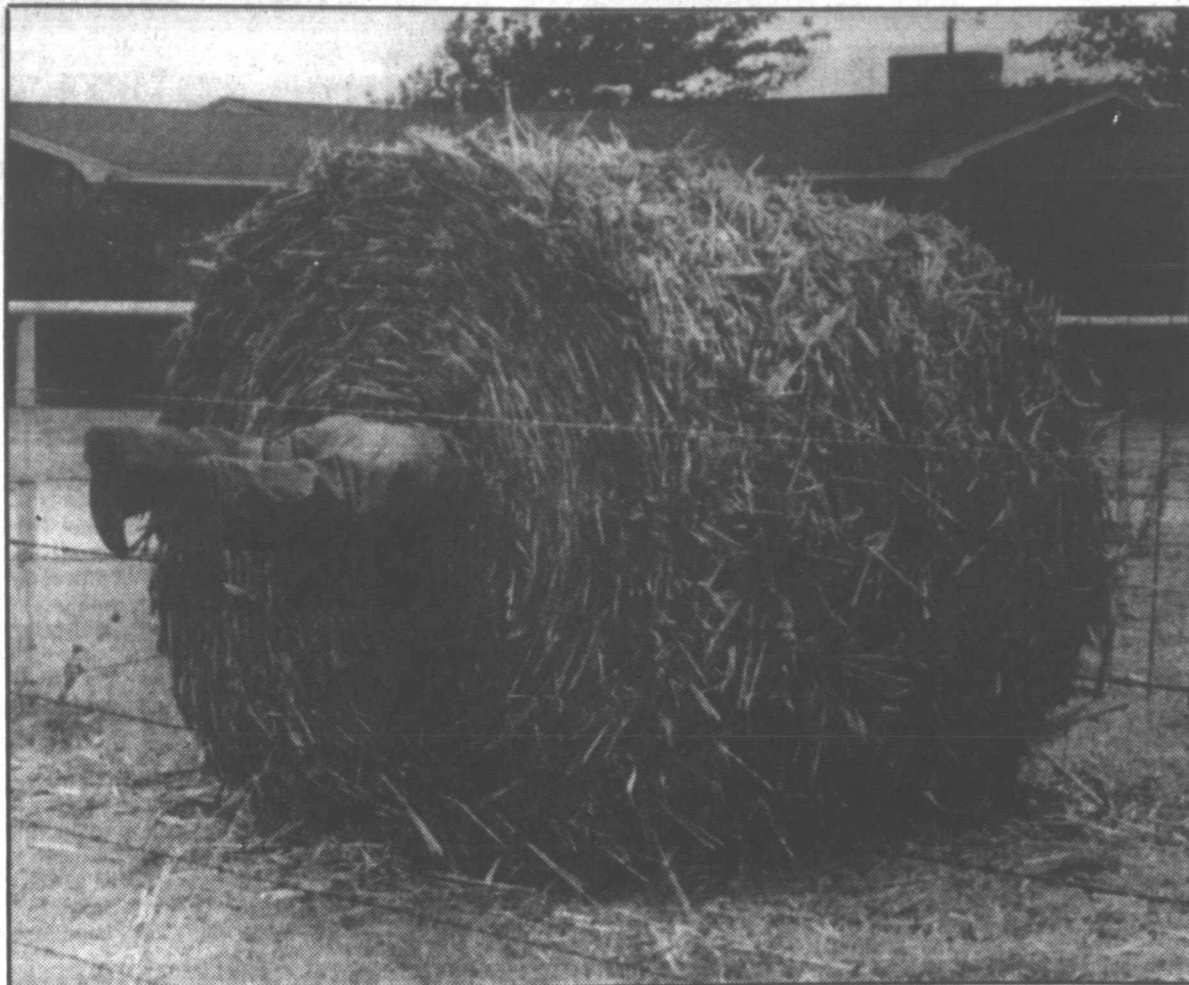


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HITTING THE HAY—What appears to be a body of a man rolled inside a bail of hay is actually a practical joke by Ed Kent of Whitewright, a community 70 miles north of

Dallas. Many people bring their cars to a quick stop to check out the situation only to find that it is all in jest. (AP Laserphoto)

Education head plans retirement

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — State Education Commissioner Raymon Bynum said he plans to retire soon because he is convinced the new state Board of Education will be dominated by Dallas computer magnate H. Ross Perot.

His retirement could come as early as the end of October or as late as next summer, depending on how quickly the new board grasps its duties, Bynum told the Austin American-Statesman.

"Some school officials and legislative types have asked me to stay aboard until the new board gets its feet on the ground," Bynum said.

Bynum acknowledged that his role will be strictly as a transitional leader because Perot, who spearheaded the move for education reform, will influence "two-thirds of the board." Referring to Perot's criticism of the old school board, Bynum said, "If the mind-set is that the old board was horrible, then I was horrible."

Bynum said he will decide on the timing of his retirement after briefing board members on the issues that confront them.

"I will read from that orientation how quickly they are going to get a total grasp of the issues," he said. "Frankly, I don't care whether they like me or not. I'll make my decision based on what's good for the schoolchildren."

Although Bynum opposed some

of the changes enacted by the Legislature in the summer special session, he said he would work with the board to put the changes into effect quickly.

He said he also would discuss his decision with Gov. Mark White and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby.

Bynum said he had not discussed

his decision sooner because, "I thought it inappropriate until the new board was named."

White last week appointed 15 members to replace the 27-member elected board. Perot's forces had argued that the elected board was responsible for problems in Texas schools.

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Charismatic sect's beliefs are tied to deaths

COLUMBIA CITY, Ind. (AP) — Elizabeth Leach blames the death of her daughter in childbirth on the teachings of the Faith Assembly, a faith-healing sect that took root in northern Indiana about 10 years ago.

Out of curiosity, Mrs. Leach once attended about a dozen Faith Assembly meetings with her daughter, Alice, but never joined the closed society whose members believe that medicine is evil.

Alice Rebecca Rodgers was a young bride — 23 years old and married less than a year — when she bled to death. Hemorrhaging was apparent during the early part of her pregnancy, Mrs. Leach later learned, but her daughter never sought medical attention.

Instead, fellow Faith Assembly members knelt in a bedroom beside the woman — four hours after she was dead — and tried to pray her back to life.

The death of Mrs. Rodgers in 1976 is one of at least 88 deaths among Faith Assembly members documented by the Fort Wayne News-Sentinel. Many of the deaths are said to be of infants whose mothers refused medical care during pregnancy.

The newspaper said followers who had treatable illness or injury have died as a result of shunning medical help in Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan, Missouri and Tennessee. Estimates of the number of Faith Assembly adherents range from

1,500 to 2,000.

This week, a state judge sentenced a Faith Assembly couple to five years in prison for refusing to seek care for their 26-day-old son, who a coroner said died of pneumonia for lack of a few dollars worth of medicine.

David and Margaret Hall, who are expecting their fourth child, were the first members of the sect to be convicted on criminal charges for withholding medical care from a dependent. The couple said they would appeal their sentence.

Whitley Circuit Judge Edward J. Meyers, in sentencing the Halls on Monday, said: "Certain societies have now reached a point where we can't tolerate human sacrifice in the name of religion. I don't feel you can justify this kind of behavior."

Mrs. Hall, 27, told the court before her sentencing that she would again refuse medical attention for her children.

"On the basis of my convictions, and of my fear of God Almighty, I could not provide medical care," Mrs. Hall said.

Whitley County Prosecutor John Whiteleather Jr. said he didn't expect the outcome of the Hall case to influence other members of the sect.

"I can only suspect ... when a mother facing five years indicates that she will not comply with the law and provide medical care, there certainly are no signs on the

horizon that Faith Assembly members will comply with the law," Whiteleather said.

A second northeastern Indiana couple who belong to the church were convicted Sept. 11 on similar charges after their son died of untreated bacterial meningitis. They will be sentenced Oct. 29.

The sect was founded in the tiny northern Indiana community of Wilnot in 1975 by Hobart Freeman, who was excommunicated from the Brethren Church for extremist views. Freeman teaches that supernatural healing based on faith is the only acceptable treatment for illness and injury.

Freeman does not grant interviews and has an unlisted telephone.

The sect's treatment of children has alarmed local officials.

"I'm afraid of what's happening to the children whose parents are members of the church," says Kosciusko County Public Health Nurse Barbara Clouse. "They're not getting their immunization for polio and measles, diphtheria and tetanus ... they're not wearing the glasses that are prescribed for them...they see no dentist."

"I have lived in this county all my life. I don't care how these people worship," she said. "But when they take the life and the welfare of children into their own hands and don't give them a chance, then they're infringing on the children in my county."

Ms. Clouse said she once entered the home of a Faith Assembly mother whose daughter was using only an Ace bandage to treat a badly swollen foot. After alerting the father, who was divorced from the girl's mother, Ms. Clouse said the child was taken to a hospital, where doctors treated her for two broken bones.

Since last year, Kosciusko authorities have used at least half a dozen court orders to enter the homes of Faith Assembly members, Ms. Clouse said. Once inside, officials have discovered children who went untreated for broken bones, scabies, ringworm and serious illness.

"The thing about it is ... generally before we get these cases, the kids are dead," said Ms. Clouse.

Out of curiosity, both Ms. Clouse and Mrs. Leach said they attended Faith Assembly meetings in the mid-1970s, when the sect used to gather in what was known as the "Glory Barn" in North Webster. That barn burned to the ground several years ago, and members now meet in a building donated by two church members, one of whom later died of untreated double pneumonia.

Mrs. Leach, her eyes filling up with tears, says she's never understood how Faith Assembly teachings could "brainwash" her daughter into the ultimate test of faith.

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Disneyland open despite strike

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More than 100 union members carrying "On Strike" signs began 24-hour picketing outside the park Tuesday, a day after five unions rejected a new contract offer. The park has 5,000 workers, 3,500 of

whom belong to 26 unions.

Negotiations broke off at midnight Monday and the walkout of janitors, salespeople, ride operators and others was called at 6 a.m. Tuesday, said union spokesman Bob Bleiweiss.

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SPORTS SCENE



FANATIC FANS—Part of an estimated crowd of 3,500 Chicago Cubs fans cheer the arrival of the team at O'Hare International Airport early Thursday. The fans braved temperatures in the 40s to cheer the new National League East champions. (AP Laserphoto)

NL roundup

Snow set to start against Tigers...er...Cubs

By BEN WALKER
AP Sports Writer

Eric Show's next scheduled start will come Tuesday in the first game of the National League Championship Series against the Chicago Cubs — or will it?

"We picked him quite a while ago to start the playoff opener for us," San Diego Manager Dick Williams said after Show pitched three-hit ball over seven innings Wednesday as the Padres beat the San Francisco Giants 4-0. "He's had good success against Detroit."

Wait a second. The Detroit Tigers are the winners of the American League East? Wouldn't that come in the World Series?

"Oh, I'm looking ahead, aren't I?" said Williams, a bit embarrassed.

In other NL games, Chicago beat Pittsburgh 5-2, St. Louis blanked Montreal 5-0, Cincinnati defeated Atlanta 6-3, New York topped Philadelphia 7-1 and Houston downed Los Angeles 3-1.

Show, 15-9, won his first game in a month — "I haven't been worried about Show's pitching," Williams said — with relievers Rich Gossage and Andy Hawkins each working a hitless inning.

The good-hitting Show also provided the blow that broke the game open, a two-out, two-run double that capped a three-run seventh inning and made it 4-0.

The hit came off Giants starter Bill Laskey, 9-14.

"He was only down 2-0 when he gave Show a fastball down the pipe," San Francisco Manager Danny Ozark said.

But Laskey offered a different version, and some criticism.

"The pitch was low and outside," he said. "Everyone has asked me

about that pitch, but how come no one's asking the others guys (Giants) why they didn't score any runs?"

Cubs 5, Pirates 2

Chicago, which captured the NL East title Monday night in Pittsburgh and gave its starters the day off during Tuesday's loss to the Pirates, returned to its winning ways — helped by some reserves.

Steve Lake belted a three-run homer in the sixth inning following a single by Ron Hassey and a walk to Gary Woods. The blast, Lake's second of the season, pinned the loss on Lee Tunnell, 1-7.

The Cubs used five pitchers. Starter Dick Ruthven, 6-10, went five innings before Warren Brusstar, George Frazier and Tim Stoddard paraded to the mound. Lee Smith worked the ninth and gave up a bases-loaded sacrifice fly to Joe Orsulak.

Only 3,365 fans watched Pittsburgh's final home game of the season as the Pirates finished the year with an attendance of 173,500, their lowest total since 1969, their last full year at Forbes Field.

Cardinals 5, Expos 0

Rookie pitcher Kurt Kepshire finished his season in fine style, tossing his second straight shutout.

Kepshire, 6-5, allowed seven hits and walked seven batters, but struck out eight to help keep out of trouble.

David Green belted a three-run homer in the sixth inning to spark St. Louis. Ozzie Smith walked four

times and stole three bases for the Cardinals.

The temperature fell to near freezing in the final innings of the game in Montreal.

Mets 7, Phillies 1

Rafael Santana hit his first major-league home run and Mookie Wilson belted his 10th of the season as New York completed its first three-game sweep of Philadelphia since 1972.

The victory was the sixth straight for the Mets, while the Phillies lost for the sixth consecutive time.

Santana, Wilson and rookie John Christensen each knocked in two runs for New York. Philadelphia's Juan Samuel stole his 72nd base of the year, breaking the major-league rookie record of 71 set by Montreal's Tim Lincecum in 1981.

It was the final game at home for the Mets, and the paid crowd of 5,251 raised the season total to 1,829,482, an increase of 725,344 over last season.

Reds 6, Braves 3

Mario Soto raised his record to 17-7 and helped himself by singling twice and driving in a run.

Soto, who prides himself on pitching complete games, took himself out after the seventh inning — saying he could use the extra rest before pitching Cincinnati's final game on Sunday. The right-hander tied his season-high victory total with the triumph in Cincinnati.

More spirit needed, boosters say

The Harvester Booster Club is looking for ways to improve community and school support toward the high school athletic program. A way that would become a tradition.

Club members are hoping to start that tradition when Pampa plays Perryton Friday night in football.

Harvester fans are asked to meet at 5 p.m. Friday at the high school football fieldhouse to cheer on the Harvesters before they depart for Perryton.

"We want to build up the spirit and pride in our teams, not just in football, but in basketball and all the sports," said Jon Wolcott, president of the Booster Club.

Wolcott wants to make the Friday night rallies a weekly

event for all out-of-town games.

"We want the people to get behind the players and let them know they're out there," Wolcott said.

The club is also asking the fans to wear as much green as possible the day of the game to help promote community spirit for the Harvesters.

"We'd also like to have the businessmen put 'Beat the Rangers' (Perryton nickname) on their marquees or to post something at their place of business to give some encouragement to the Harvesters," Wolcott said.

The club wants the business community to get into the habit of promoting the Harvesters, not just this Friday night, but every time Pampa plays a ballgame,

Wolcott said.

"I know people who work won't be able to make it to the rallies every time Pampa plays out of town, but they can wear green and put up signs," Wolcott added.

Wolcott also announced that the meeting time for the Booster Club has been changed from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Mondays at the football fieldhouse. The public is invited to attend these weekly meetings.

Advance tickets to the Pampa-Perryton are on sale now at the Pampa High Athletic Office.

Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1 for students. Tickets will be on sale until 3:30 p.m. Friday.

Pampa will look for its first victory after three losses. Perryton had a 1-2 record.

Midland drops Cubs

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — Midland Cubs co-owner Bernard Langford has called a news conference for 10 a.m. Thursday, reportedly to say the Chicago Cubs will no longer be the parent club of the Midland baseball team.

Langford declined to reveal the purpose of the meeting, but KOSA-TV reported Wednesday night that Langford intends to announce that the California Angels will be Midland's new parent team.

The Texas League team has been with Chicago for a dozen years. Officials with the Angels' current AA farm team in Waterbury, Conn., were not available for comment.

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AL West tightens up

By JOHN NELSON
AP Sports Writer

It was an odd mixture of reactions. Kansas City Royals Manager Dick Howser took it in stride. Minnesota Twins Manager Billy Gardner was looking on the bright side. And California Angels Manager John McNamara was relieved just to win again.

When the evening had ended, baseball's only undecided race — the American League West — had gotten a little closer. The California Angels beat Kansas City 2-0 behind Ron Romanick's seven-hitter, and Minnesota lost 9-3 to the Chicago White Sox.

That left the Twins 1½ games behind K.C. with the Angels 3½ back. The only hope left for the Angels is that they win all four of their remaining games while the Royals lose all three of theirs, and that would only earn the Angels a tie.

"They're still hanging in there, aren't they," Howser said after he saw Romanick outduel his own Bud Black, who pitched a four-hitter. "Our pitcher pitched well, but theirs was even better."

The Royals finish with three in Oakland after a day off today. Minnesota has four in Cleveland, and California plays four in Texas, both series starting tonight.

Gardner, whose Twins lost in Chicago for the second straight night, said, "We didn't lose anything. Tomorrow is a big game for us. Kansas City doesn't play."

McNamara was grateful that his club had finally ended a five-game losing streak.

"It feels good to win one," he said. "I knew I'd remember what that feeling was like before the season was over. We have to win as much as we can and we'll see what happens."

Elsewhere in the AL, Milwaukee defeated Detroit 7-5, New York beat Baltimore 3-1, Toronto downed Boston 8-4, Cleveland shut out Seattle 1-0 and Oakland defeated Texas 7-5. **White Sox 9, Twins 3**

Chicago scored five runs in the third inning off Ken Schrom, capped by Greg Walker's three-run homer, as the White Sox spoiled Minnesota's chance to gain ground. Richard Dotson broke a personal five-game losing streak by going the distance for the 14th time this season, scattering eight hits.

Marc Hill and Tom Paciorek also homered for the White Sox. Randy Bush drove in two runs for Minnesota with a double in the first inning. **Brewers 7, Tigers 5**

Milwaukee rallied with four runs in the eighth inning to stop the Tigers. Ben Oglivie's two-run double tied the score 5-5, and Robin Yount hit an RBI single that put the Brewers ahead by a run.

Chet Lemon, Nelson Simmons and Dwight Lowry each had a pair of RBI for the Tigers, who scored three runs in the sixth inning to break a 1-1 tie and led 5-3 after seven innings.

Bowling Roundup

The Pampa Bankers Classic, an 8-game handicap singles tournament, will be held Nov. 10 at Harvester Lanes.

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High Series: 1. (tie) Raleigh Rowland & Fred O'Hara 568; 2. Leon Harris 554; 3. Roy Don Stephens 548.

High Handicap Game: 1. Charles Hearron 254; 2. Fred O'Hara 251; 3. Robbie Stephenson 249.

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SEEKING PROSECUTIONS—Joseph H. Sherick, Department of Defense Inspector General, addresses a news conference at the Pentagon Wednesday to announce that his office has sought prosecutions in 17,000 cases of waste or fraud by contractors in the last two - and - a - half years and so far has won over 1,300 convictions. (AP Laserphoto)

Windjammer flips, putting 23 people into high seas

BROOKSVILLE, Maine (AP) — A pleasure cruise off the Maine coast became a journey into the "Twilight Zone" when a gust flipped a windjammer a mile from shore, sending 23 people scrambling for anything that would float in chilly seas.

Helicopters and a flotilla of government and private boats, alerted by witnesses on shore, rushed to the rescue Wednesday, and all 19 passengers and four crew members were saved.

Five people were hospitalized for exposure and two were held overnight, authorities said.

"They're lucky, lucky people," said one of the rescue workers who helped pluck the shipgoers from the waters of Eggemoggin Reach.

"I'm just glad to be here," said passenger Becky Burkey of Texas. "Glad that everybody got back."

Burkey said that she was on deck when the 64-foot Isaac H. Evans, a 98-year-old schooner, turned over at about 11:30 a.m.

"It seemed like the wind and the water had died down," she said.

"They (the crew) were changing the canvas. The schooner began tilting and then, all of a sudden we were in the water."

Coast Guard Lt. Joseph Saboe said "anything that would float, they were holding onto. Some had lifejackets on, some didn't."

"It was a 'Twilight Zone' situation," said Ms. Burkey, referring to the 1960s television show that put ordinary people in extraordinary situations.

"Grabbing on to floating objects and trying to follow the skipper's orders to get away from the schooner."

She said the waves were high, but the terrified passengers could see people on their porches on shore.

"We knew that they could see us and that we would be OK if we could hang on," she said.

The vessel was on its last scheduled cruise of the season when a powerful gust evidently caught the sail and pulled the ship up and over, the Coast Guard said.

Contractor abusers found 'under every rock'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon, stung by suggestions it is indifferent to waste and fraud, says it has uncovered 17,000 cases of contractor abuses in 2½ years, but its chief investigator says he still finds more under "every rock I turn over."

"We know we're very vulnerable," Inspector General Joseph Sherick, who has been involved in Pentagon procurement for 34 years, told a news conference Wednesday at which he defended the Pentagon's own efforts to uncover abuses.

"We know that we have control problems," he said. "And we're doing a tremendous amount of work on improving our internal controls."

But at the same time, Sherick said, "I keep turning over rocks and every rock I turn over I find new things."

Sherick's appearance came a week after a Senate subcommittee heard about the \$7,622 the Air Force paid for a 10-cup coffeemaker for the C-5A cargo plane and about arm rests for that airplane that cost \$670.06 apiece.

The inspector general said he hadn't known about those cases before they came to light in the Senate hearing.

But he asserted that many contractor abuses that get in the newspapers are recycled horror stories uncovered by his own 1,500 investigators.

"Most of these people are living off our own audits," he said of the investigators in Congress and elsewhere who call attention to bloated prices paid by the Pentagon for everyday items.

Sherick said he could not say how much money is lost to fraud and waste in a defense establishment that buys weapons and equipment at the rate of \$600 million a day.

He said overcharging the government is the exception, not the rule among the 160,000 contractors and subcontractors who supply the military.

The military has "a lot of good contractors and a lot of honest contractors," he said. "But ... this is a big operation. You're not running a hot dog stand."

One problem, he said, is that the government cannot simply to decide to stop dealing with some

contractors. "Who do you get to build aircraft carriers or submarines or whatever if they have that unique capability?" he asked.

Years ago, he said, the Pentagon had its own arsenals and shipyards and military people who had worked in those places served as inspectors in the plants and shipyards of contractors.

About 15 or 20 years ago, he said, the Pentagon withdrew its own inspectors and started to accept the manufacturers' own certifications of quality.

"And what we're seeing is the breakdown of those internal quality assurance programs," he said. The solution, he said, is to go back to the old system of stationing Pentagon inspectors on the production lines.

Tropical storm heading for Florida

MIAMI (AP) — Tropical storm Isidore headed toward the southeast Florida coast early today with heavy rains and winds of near 50 mph, bringing with it a threat of flooding and a warning for residents to be ready for quick action.

Gale warnings were in effect from Cape Canaveral on the state's central east coast to Key West in the south.

The storm was about 40 miles east of Ft. Lauderdale and moving toward the west-northwest at about 10 mph at 6 a.m. today, according to a National Weather Service bulletin. The storm's center was located near latitude 26.0 north and

longitude 79.5 west, the bulletin said.

Meanwhile, Hortense, a tropical storm that had been a hurricane before it lost strength, was inching its way back to hurricane strength about 200 miles east of Bermuda, the weather service said.

The approach of Isidore, which the weather service said would cross shore this morning between Miami and West Palm Beach if it continued its present course, prompted few emergency measures.

"So far, we're just cautioning our citizens," said Pauline Winick, Dade County's emergency communications director.

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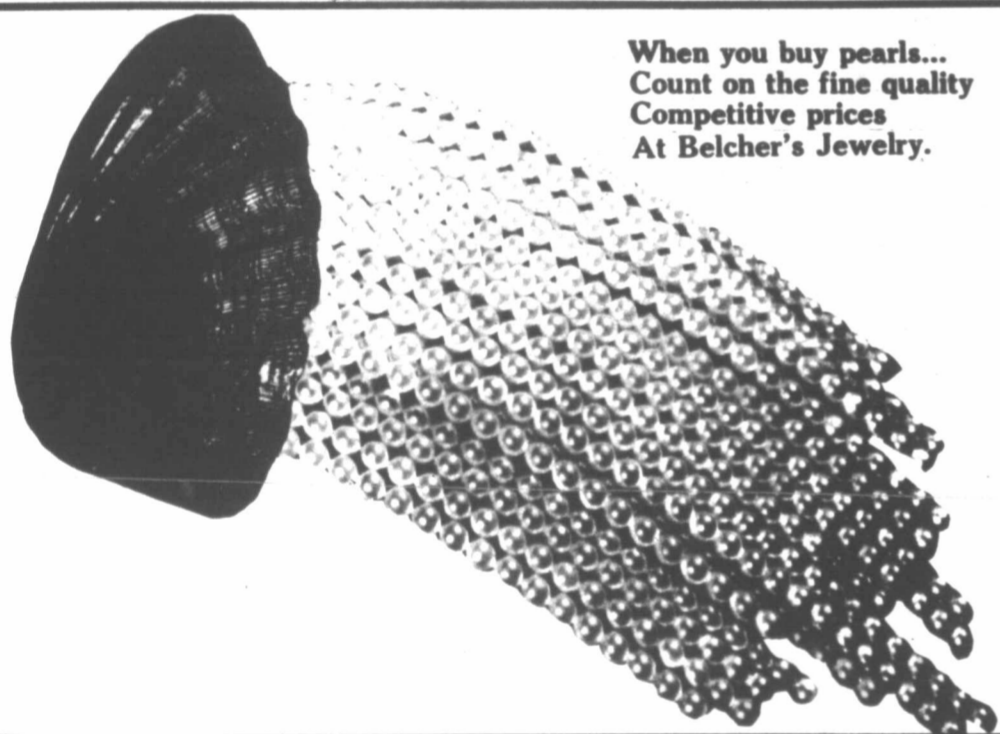
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