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Reagan to 'clear' doubts

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WASHINGTON — President Reagan, facing public questioning for the first time on the Iran-Contra affair, says he hopes "to be able to clear all that up" when he meets reporters tonight.

The president, posing for pictures with a group of senators Wednesday, declined to answer most questions from reporters, saying with a grin, "Then I won't have anything to surprise you with tomorrow night."

A reporter got a response from him, however, by asking about a story in *The New York Times* quoting U.S. and other sources as saying several million dollars in profits from Iran arms sales were paid to an Iranian group that financed the kidnappers of Americans in Lebanon.

"I'm not supposed to answer any questions

here, but I will answer that one," Reagan said. "As I've been saying for a considerable period of time, I am waiting for all the investigations to bring out the truth of what did happen there because I don't know any more than I've already told you."

"Tomorrow night, I'm hoping to be able to clear all that up," he said.

The news conference is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the White House East Room and will be broadcast live by ABC, CBS, NBC and the Cable News Network.

Reagan's last news conference was Nov. 19, after he had acknowledged secret arms sales to Iran, but before reports surfaced that some of the money had been diverted to assist rebels fighting the leftist government of Nicaragua.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, asked Wednesday if he thought this would be Reagan's toughest news conference, said,

"No, I don't think so. . . There were lots of other ones that were tougher."

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas, on the other hand, said, "It's very important to him. I think he needs to demonstrate that he's the dominant political force in the nation's capital, as he is. I think he needs to respond to the questions, as he will."

The assistant Republican leader of the Senate, Alan Simpson of Wyoming, said following the White House meeting Wednesday that the president was "ready to be absolutely forthcoming with everything he knows."

Simpson also told reporters, however, the president had indicated "there is no real honest way for him to respond at this time to any questions about Iran-Contra, no matter how much you would like to set that agenda."

Fitzwater has predicted 95 percent of the questions will be on the Iran-Contra affair.



Reagan shares a laugh at the White House Wednesday with Sen. Bob Dole, left and Sen. Alan Simpson.

Pampa readies one act comedy

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

The Importance of Being Earnest, Oscar Wilde's classic of mistaken identities, mismatched lovers and misplaced handbags is Pampa High School's entry in Class 4A one act play competition.

The PHS Theatre Arts Department will offer a sneak preview of the Victorian comedy at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the high school auditorium. Admission to the sneak peek is \$1.

The play will be presented in the UIL competition Monday at Amarillo College. Pampa will compete against Borger, Hereford, Canyon and Dumas.

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Brook McNealey plays John Worthing, a semi-wealthy man-about-town with a dubious ancestry — he spent his infancy in a handbag. After growing to respectable British manhood, he becomes the guardian of youthful Cecily Cardew, played by Erika Adams.

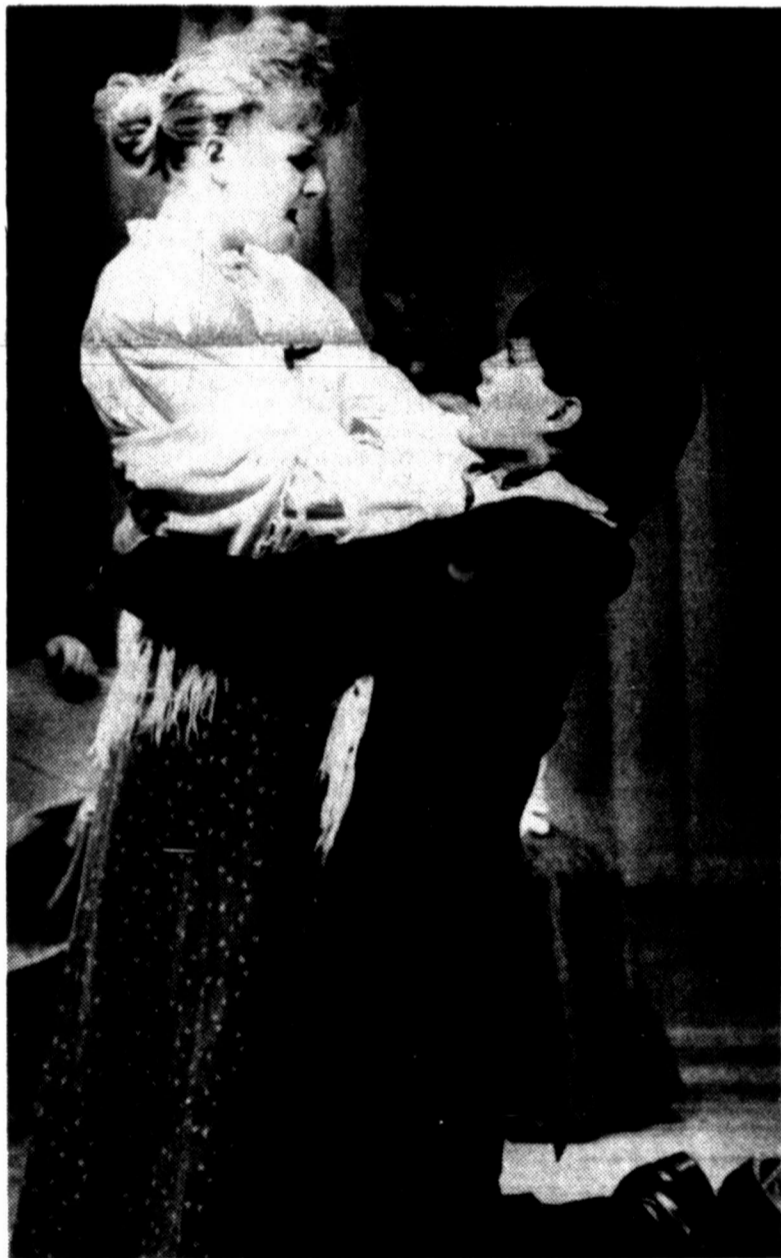
John hopes to win the hand of snooty, high-born Gwendolyn Fairfax, played by Brenda Lee, who travels with her diary because she wants "something sensational to read on the train."

But proper appearances must be maintained while he raises his innocent ward Cecily, so John takes the identity of Earnest Worthing when he goes a-courting in town. The courtship is hampered by Gwendolyn's domineering mother, Lady Bracknell (Patti Warner).

Meanwhile, out on the English countryside, Cecily is being wooed by John's friend Algernon Moncrieff (Marc Gilbert), who also assumes the monicker of Earnest partly to keep his courtship discreet and partly because Cecily adores the name. Cecily maintains a genteel life under the care of Miss Prism (Runay Hollis), a scatterbrained governess and unpublished novelist. Prism, though unmarried, has caught the eye of Chasuble, the local man of the cloth, (Johnny Hawley).

Watching the dalliings of the British gentry are servants

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Worthing (McNealey) has startling news for Miss Prism (Hollis).



Earnest? (Gilbert) plants kiss on Cecily (Adams).

Higher speed limit proposal slams into wall of first turn

By ALAN FRAM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A 65 mph speed limit for many rural highways and an \$88.6 billion highway bill, both approved by the House, face a minor hurdle in the Senate but a possible brick wall at the White House.

The House approved a measure Wednesday that would allow states to increase speed limits to 65 mph on interstate highways outside urban areas with populations of at least 50,000.

The 217-206 vote was seen as the final meaningful congressional test of the speed limit proposal because the Senate has gone on record repeatedly as overwhelmingly favoring it.

That tally came shortly after the lawmakers passed, 407-17, the highway measure, which will

distribute assistance to states and communities for road and bridge projects and for mass transit systems.

"I think people realized the troops out in the rural areas of our country weren't abiding by the law," Rep. Kenneth Gray, D-Ill., an active supporter of the 65 mph proposal, said after the vote. "The American people have spoken."

The measures were expected to be passed and combined into one package by the Senate as early as today.

But a note of warning was coming from the Reagan administration, which for months has said the spending levels of the highway bill would invite a veto.

"A veto will be recommended by the Department of Transportation," said H. Joseph Rhodes, See SPEED, Page 2

Texas delegation says let 'er rip, put the pedal to the metal

WASHINGTON (AP) — All but three of the 27-member Texas congressional delegation voted to give states the right to raise the speed limit on rural stretches of interstate highways from 55 mph to 65 mph.

Rep. Beau Boulter of Amarillo said that driving along rural highways in Texas is a lot different from driving in other parts of the country, and states should be allowed to make speed limits to reflect that.

"Let me remind some of my colleagues from urban and city areas, rural Texas bears few similarities to downtown Manhattan," said the Panhandle Republican. "More vehicles cross the 14th Street bridge here in Washington in an hour than make the drive between Amarillo and Wichita Falls in my district in a month."

Boulter was among several Texas lawmakers who spoke in support of a provision tied to an \$88.6 billion highway bill to raise the speed limit on rural interstates from 55 mph to 65 mph.

Tom Delay, R-Sugar Land, questioned the importance of the 55 mph law in saving lives.

"I don't know of too many people that drive 55," said Delay. "Most people drive at a speed they're comfortable at and that's 65 mph. You're making criminals out of our people."

Martin Frost, D-Dallas, was one of those who voted for the 55 mph law "because I think it has saved lives and brought about energy conservation."

The other Texas congressmen who opposed the change were Mickey Leland and Mike Andrews, both Houston Democrats.

Deaver indicted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former White House aide Michael K. Deaver says he is innocent of perjury charges contained in an indictment that gives new details on his use of government connections to lobby for corporate and foreign clients.

The former deputy chief of staff faces up to 25 years in prison if convicted of five counts of lying about his lobbying activities to Congress and to the federal grand jury that indicted him Wednesday.

A longtime friend of President Reagan and wife Nancy, Deaver professed his innocence to reporters as the president issued a public statement wishing him well.

The indictment alleged, among other things, that Deaver lied to a federal grand jury when he denied contacting anyone in the government on behalf of Trans World Airlines, the first client he got after leaving the White House in May 1985.

According to the indictment, Deaver contacted "Secretary of Transportation Elizabeth Dole in connection with TWA's efforts to block or delay a bid by Carl Icahn



Deaver

to gain control of TWA."

The charges said Deaver also contacted Dole's deputy and a White House official on the same matter.

The indictment said Deaver made the contacts "in an attempt to involve the Cabinet Council on Economic Policy in blocking or delaying the Icahn takeover bid."

Deaver had testified to the grand jury that "I don't recall any government contact I made on behalf of TWA."

A Transportation Department official, speaking Wednesday night on condition he not be identified, See DEEVER, Page 2

Balloting begins on golf course referendum

Although no polling places have been found yet, absentee voters have already begun to tee off in an election called to determine whether Gray County taxpayers want to help build a public golf course.

Gray County Clerk Wanda Carter said Wednesday that she received ballots for the April 4 referendum late Monday and began accepting absentee votes Tuesday.

Carter said absentee voting will continue through March 31 in her office at the courthouse. The clerk's office is open from 8:30 a.m. until noon and from 1 to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Twenty-two absentee votes had been cast by late Wednesday afternoon, Carter said.

The non-binding referendum will determine whether county taxpayers want to spend \$300,000 and use county equipment and labor to contract with the city of Pampa for a public golf course.

City commissioners have not yet discussed the idea, which is See BALLOTING, Page 2

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Opinion

Perhaps advocates could shelter bums

Actor Martin Sheen, a handful of other actors, and a half-dozen congressmen, including the young Joe Kennedy, bundled up in sweaters and sleeping bags recently and spent the night on two steam grates outside the Library of Congress. It was all to dramatize the plight of the homeless and stir up support for a new handout: Another \$500 million for the federal government to fritter away in yet another symbolic display of phony compassion.

Even advocates of this legislation admit it will do little to alleviate homelessness. It will allocate \$100 million for emergency shelter programs, \$100 million to house homeless families through rent subsidies, \$100 million to rehabilitate surplus government property into shelters and \$70 million for emergency food and shelter.

If the Salvation Army and various skid-row ministries were coming into a \$500 million windfall, help would get to homeless people quickly. But we're talking about the federal government, which has spent billions over the years only to make poverty more hopeless. Rent subsidies are expected to help only 1,300 people nationwide. Surplus government properties are mostly military installations in the boonies, far from where most homeless people are. The vast bulk of this money will go to upper-middle class bureaucrats to administer programs to badger the poor.

We've never thought of Martin Sheen as a rigorous philosophical thinker, but those who make assertions about rights should think first. Sheen, speaking on behalf of the homeless (by whose authority is unclear) claimed: "They demand that here and now... that basic shelter be recognized as an absolute and basic human right."

Never mind that "basic shelter" is not defined, making the statement incoherent. Presuming it could be defined, is it a human right?

Shelter does not fit into this category. Except in a few tropical climates, shelter requires conscious effort and manipulation of the environment. It is not free. It is coherent to say one has the right to work and strive for shelter and other necessities. But one doesn't have the right to have them without working or trading.

Sheen and many others seem to have confused "right" with "privilege bestowed by government." But government is not some magical institution that can conjure benefits and privileges out of the air. It is a human institution that has nothing except what it takes by force or the threat of force from others who have worked for what they have — that is, by violation of their real rights.

We'll credit the compassion of self-styled advocates for the homeless when they concentrate more on setting an example (opening their own homes to poor people?) and inspiring individual effort than using the issue to expand the power and scope of government. If they really want to help further, they would seek to dismantle government programs and policies that drive up the cost and reduce the variety of housing.

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Permit states' experiments

WASHINGTON — The nation will be hearing a great deal about the theory of federalism in this bicentennial year of the Constitution. For a specific example of the theory in action, consider Michigan's trailblazing program called MET. It merits a round of applause.

MET stands for Michigan Education Trust. It is exactly the kind of experimental program the founding fathers had in mind when they wrote the 10th Amendment into the Bill of Rights in 1791. Because of this program, conceived by Gov. James J. Blanchard, thousands of Michigan children eventually will be assured of a higher education.

The principle of federalism is one of the two great rocks upon which the Constitution was founded. (The other is the principle of separation of powers, but that doesn't apply in this instance.) Under the Constitution, certain powers were to be delegated to the national government, but all other powers not prohibited to the states by the Constitution were to be reserved "to the states respectively, or to the people."

In this as in other provisions, the framers of the Constitution sought to limit the possibilities for abuse of power. If Delaware wanted to try some experimental program, and the program didn't work, neighboring Pennsylvania would not be affected. If the program did work, maybe Pennsylvania would want to emulate Delaware's example. The states would function as independent laboratories, fashioning public policies according to the needs of their citizens.

All of which brings us back to the Michigan Education Trust, signed into law last December. Under this plan, the state guarantees a child's tuition for four years of future education at any state-owned institution of higher learning. Parents of a newborn child could obtain this guarantee with a deposit to the trust fund of as little as \$3,000. Parents of teen-agers would have to make larger deposits because their children would be going to college much sooner.

The program covers the University of Michigan and 14 other four-year colleges. Children also would have the option of choosing one of the state's 29 two-year schools. If a participating high school graduate chose instead to attend a private college or university or an out-of-state institution, the fund would pay for four years of tuition based upon a weighted average of in-state tuition fees.

Because the MET is waiting upon a critical ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, no contracts yet have been signed. If the IRS rules that interest on the deposits will be tax exempt at pay-out time, the program will plunge ahead this summer. If a ruling goes the other way, some amendments may be necessary. Meanwhile, the state treasurer's office reports that an estimated 10,000 inquiries have been received from parents or grandparents of prospective students. More than 40 states have asked for copies of the MET act.

The state is taking some calculated risks with its novel plan for the higher education trust fund. The state has done well with its wholly

separate pension fund. Over the past five years it has averaged a rate of return of nearly 19 percent. Even so, money managers have no precise way of predicting future rates of return.

Neither can the tuition fees be forecast. During prolonged debate on Blanchard's bill, warnings were heard that by 2000, if inflation gets out of hand, tuition at Michigan State might reach \$20,000 a year. It is conceivable that a couple of decades down the road, the state's general fund would have to be tapped in order to supplement the MET. In any event, once a child is signed up, the state is committed to provide the future service.

The idea of tuition guarantees was originated at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh two years ago. Since then more than 500 families have made deposits to the university's trust fund. Other private institutions have instituted different versions of the Duquesne idea.

Among the state governments, Michigan is the pioneer — and to return to the theory of federalism, this is how the theory is supposed to work. If MET succeeds, as state officials are confident it will succeed, other states may profit from Michigan's happy experience. If MET flops, and turns out to be a heavy burden on the state treasury in future years, no other state will suffer from the disappointment.

Such powers of public experiment are reserved to the states "respectively." That's what the founding fathers provided. It was a good idea in 1791, and remains a good idea today.

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Lewis Grizzard

Reagan's new work habits

WASHINGTON — Aides to President Reagan wasted little time in making certain changes in the president's schedule and work habits in order to make him a "hands-on" president. Reagan promised the nation he would get more involved in his job during his television address last week in order to avoid another embarrassing mess like the Iran arms sale affair.

"The first thing we're going to do," a White House source told me, "is change the president's sleeping habits."

I asked for specifics. "Previously," the source explained, "the president has arisen at 11 a.m. in time to watch 'The Price Is Right,' his favorite game show, as he drinks his coffee and eats his daily ration of prunes."

"So," I asked, "the president has been going to work when 'The Price Is Right' is over?"

"Not the very moment the show is over," explained my source. "He has to give the prunes a fair amount of time to do their job."

So what time has the president previously be-

gun his work day?

"Around 1:30 p.m.," I was told. "That's when he reviews the daily press."

"That obviously takes him a lot of time," I said. "He's got to read the Times, the Washington Post, and The Wall Street Journal."

"Not exactly," said my source. "Usually he takes about 15 minutes to glance through USA Today. The articles are short enough he can read them and not doze off."

What, then, I wanted to know, will be the president's new schedule?

"We're planning to have him dress by 10 a.m., get the prune business out of the way as soon as possible, and have him actually functioning by 11 a.m."

"He can watch 'The Price Is Right' in the Oval Office while he returns phone calls from people who want to know if he will introduce them to Fawn Hall."

"But when will the president actually get involved in taking care of the nation's business?" I persisted.

"Not until around 2:30 p.m.," my source said.

"That's when he will be getting up from his afternoon nap now. Before we didn't dare rouse him until 4 p.m., in time to watch 'The Dating Game.'"

"There's a reason," said my White House insider. "The president doesn't stay up late enough to watch 'The Wheel of Fortune,' and he likes to look at the bachelorettes to make up for not getting to see Vanna White."

"You mentioned something about changing the president's work habits," I went on.

"Lots of changes," the source answered. "We are going to insist the president keep notes and not doodle on his pad during Cabinet meetings. We are also going to ask that he no longer allow his wife to make tough decisions for him."

"The first lady has been making the president's tough decisions?"

"Six years of it," said my source. "The president gets in a tight spot and you can hear him screaming from the Oval Office all over the White House."

"Screaming what?"

"Nancy Reagan — COME ON DOWN!"

Nuclear evacuation plan shows ignorance

By Robert Walters

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Consider the unique problems involved in conducting an emergency evacuation of the people living around New York's Shoreham nuclear power plant in the event of an accident that produces radioactive releases.

Shoreham is located on Long Island, which is surrounded by water on the north, south and east. Only the west remains as an emergency evacuation option, but panicked people fleeing in that direction would be heading directly for densely populated New York City.

State and local government officials in New York logically claim that there is no realistic means of dispersing the populace to minimize adverse health effects in the event of a serious

accident at Shoreham.

But that logic doesn't satisfy officials at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the federal agency that is supposed to protect the public against the potential dangers posed by nuclear technology.

Following the 1979 accident at the Three Mile Island generating station in Pennsylvania, the NRC adopted a regulation requiring all nuclear power plants to develop a plan that could, in the event of an emergency, evacuate everybody living within a 10-mile radius. Now the NRC is, in effect, about to abandon that rule.

The NRC rule specifically requires that the evacuation plan be implemented by the utility operating the power plant in conjunction with state and local police, fire and civil defense

agencies.

Because the rule presumes that there always will be some form of workable plan, the NRC insists that state and local public officials participate in evacuation exercises, regardless of their practicality.

The Long Island Lighting Co., which owns Shoreham, has a plan that relies exclusively upon meter readers, linemen and other utility employees to conduct evacuations — but that approach certainly isn't realistic.

A similar situation has developed in New England, involving the Seabrook generating station in southeastern New Hampshire, two miles north of the Massachusetts border.

As at Shoreham, construction at Seabrook has been completed but operation cannot legally begin until the

emergency evacuation plan has been formulated, tested and approved.

As in New York, public officials in Massachusetts insist that their participation in the development and implementation of such a plan would be meaningless because effective evacuation is impossible.

The consortium of utility companies that owns Seabrook has audaciously argued that because the probability of a serious accident occurring is so low, evacuation there need be planned only within a one-mile radius.

But there is evidence that the NRC's 10-mile radius may not be adequate. Following the severe nuclear accident at Chernobyl in the Soviet Union, everyone living within 18.6 miles had to be evacuated.

Berry's World THE STRANGE CASE OF THE MISSING CONTRA MONEY



Nation

Kicking habit may have drawback, doctors say

BOSTON (AP) — Quitting smoking appears to raise the odds of contracting a serious intestinal disease known as ulcerative colitis, but the benefits of kicking the habit still far outweigh the risks, doctors reported today.

The researchers said their study appeared to be the first to find a health hazard related to quitting smoking. Cigarette smoking is believed to cause a variety of major illnesses, including cancer and heart disease.

The doctors found that smokers had a 40 percent lower chance than those who never smoked of getting ulcerative colitis. But reformed smokers had double the non-smokers' risk.

"The adverse health effects from

smoking far outnumber any potential benefits to be gained from decreasing one's risk of ulcerative colitis," said Dr. Edward J. Boyko, who directed the study.

"Ulcerative colitis is rare, but cancer and heart disease are not rare," he added in an interview. "The argument simply can't be made that one should continue smoking to improve one's health, because that would not be happening."

Boyko, a researcher at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in Denver, outlined his findings in today's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

The study seems to suggest that

something in cigarette smoke protects against ulcerative colitis, Boyko said. Just why giving up the habit might increase the risk also is a mystery.

The researchers theorized that it might have something to do with weight gain, which is common after kicking the habit, or increased physical activity, but they cautioned these ideas were highly speculative.

Boyko said he and his co-authors "put their heads together and tried to think of (another) illness associated with quitting smoking, and we couldn't come up with anything."

About one in 1,000 Americans has ulcerative colitis, a chronic inflammation of the lining of the large intestine.

No one knows what causes the disease, which usually strikes between ages 20 and 40, causing diarrhea, cramps and bloody stools.

Sometimes the illness goes away by itself. But if it lingers for years, the only effective treatment is removal of the diseased part of the large intestine.

"The main value of this study is that it opens up new areas for research into a disease that is a complete enigma in medicine," Boyko said.

He and colleagues identified 212 people with ulcerative colitis and compared their habits with those of 212 healthy people of the same age and sex. Those studied were enrolled in a Seattle health maintenance organization with

304,000 members.

The researchers looked for other explanations for the apparent connection between smoking and the disease but found none. For instance, smokers drink more coffee than do non-smokers, but coffee did not account for the link.

There are other rare instances in which smoking seems to protect against disease.

For instance, researchers have found that women who smoke heavily might have a lower risk of cancer of the uterus, possibly because cigarettes reduce their estrogen secretions. However, there has been no suggestion that ex-smokers run a higher risk of this disease than do those who never smoked.

House panel moves to cap credit card interest rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House subcommittee, proclaiming a first-round victory for consumers, launched an attempt to impose a federal ceiling on credit card interest rates.

The ceiling would be set at eight percentage points above the yield on one-year Treasury securities, to be adjusted quarterly. If it were in effect today, top credit card rates would be 13.8 percent — nearly 5 percentage points below prevailing rates.

Proponents hailed Wednesday's subcommittee vote, 5-3 along party lines, as good news for millions of credit card holders.

"With the prime rate at 7.5 percent and the Federal Reserve discount rate at 5.5 percent, there is no economic justification for credit card rates of 18, 19 and even 22 percent," said Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., chairman of the House Consumer Affairs and Coinage Subcommittee.

"Something had to be done, and the subcommittee has got the process off to a roaring start. The first battle for lower rates has been won by consumers," he said.

"There can be no question now that credit card issuers have been gouging American consumers," Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said. "Clearly it is time for Congress to help bring fairness to the credit card market."

Opponents, however, warned the cap would simply shrink credit.

"Caps do not work," said Rep. Chalmers Wylie, R-Ohio. "Federally mandated caps could lead to severe restrictions in credit."

A spokesman for industry giant Visa said the ceiling would hurt those who most need credit.

"The only known result of (caps) is that the availability of credit becomes reduced," Visa Senior Vice President John Bennett said. "When the operation becomes less profitable, credit becomes harder to get."

Visa came under fire at the hearing for its attempt last week to mobilize industry opposition to a new American Express "Optima" credit card offered at 13.5 percent.

A March 11 telegram from Visa President Charles Russell urged banks to "rethink your position in offering American Express products" and call the company to voice their opposition.

Annunzio said the Visa move "comes dangerously close to embracing a conspiracy approach that smacks of antitrust violations."

"That sure sounds to me like a boycott threat, an action in restraint of trade that may very well be a violation of antitrust law," Schumer said.

The two congressmen joined House Judiciary Chairman Peter Rodino, D-N.J., and Senate Judiciary Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., in calling on Attorney General Edwin Meese III to look into possible antitrust violations by Visa.

Bennett said Visa welcomed the investigation.

"We think our position is absolutely right in suggesting that banks reexamine their business relationship with American Express now that American Express has identified itself as a banking competitor," he said.

The full House Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs will now consider the credit card cap. A similar ceiling proposed last year never made it out of subcommittee.

Walsh awaiting key information from Switzerland and Israel

WASHINGTON (AP) — Independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh is lacking key information from Switzerland and Israel as he tries to piece together the remainder of the Iran-Contra puzzle.

Walsh told The Associated Press on Wednesday that his request for Swiss bank records may be tied up in that country's courts for an indefinite time.

The Swiss government has approved the request, but eight people with control over the accounts have filed objections and their hearings in Swiss courts could lead to long delays, Walsh said.

In addition, a source close to Walsh's investigation, speaking only on condition he not be named, said the Israelis have not yet submitted written information promised to Congress on their role in secret arms sales to Iran.

Spokesmen for the House and Senate committees investigating the sale and the diversion of profits to Nicaragua's Contra rebels confirmed that lawmakers have not yet received the Israeli information. A Senate source said the material is still expected, and added he would not characterize Israel as uncooperative.

While Walsh faced delays from abroad, developments moved forward briskly in this country.

Walsh announced he planned to ask a court Monday for the first time in his investigation, to delay a congressional grant of immunity to businessman Albert Hakim for the legal limit of 20 days.

Congressional sources have suggested that their motive in granting immunity to Hakim, 50, was the expectation that he will provide some of the needed Swiss bank account records.

Walsh said he would use the 20-day period, if granted, "to try to bring together whatever material we had" involving Hakim.

Congressional immunity would force a witness to testify or face prison. That testimony could not be used against the witness in a criminal case, but Walsh could build a case independently.

In Congress, the House and Senate investigating committees Wednesday approved a timetable for taking the testimony of Adm. John Poindexter, should the panels decide to compel him to talk

under an immunity grant. A separate timetable was set for Lt. Col. Oliver North.

Poindexter ran the National Security Council during much of the period when the U.S. was selling arms to Iran and a private network was supplying the Nicaraguan Contras during a congressional ban on military aid to the rebels. Poindexter resigned and North, his aide, was fired for their roles in those operations.

In other developments Wednesday:

- The Senate voted 52-48 against cutting off \$40 million in aid to the Contras. Aid opponents see the narrow defeat as "an alarm bell" signaling an eventual end to military aid. Aid backers say they gained a new chance to win public support for Reagan's Central America policy.
- The CIA is giving the Contras detailed information on potential targets to attack during a spring offensive, including dams, electrical facilities and bridges, according to unidentified government officials cited in today's New York Times. The CIA is providing maps, blueprints and locations of the facilities, some of which were built by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers before the leftist Sandinistas took power in Nicaragua, the newspaper said.
- Former National Security Adviser Robert C. McFarlane told investigators that Bandar bin Sultan, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States, offered \$1 million to the Contras in May or June 1984. The Washington Post reported today. Contra official Bosco Matamoros supplied bank records to The Associated Press showing anonymous deposits of \$1 million monthly to a Contra account in the Cayman Islands. The Saudis have denied any involvement with the Contras.
- The Senate select committee voted unanimously to begin civil contempt proceedings against retired Air Force Maj. Gen. Richard Secord, linked to both the Iran and Contra operations. Secord has refused to allow the committee access to information about Swiss bank accounts he is said to control. The full Senate could vote on the contempt citation as early as next week.

What's left



Jewel Martin stands with a few salvageable items from her camper Wednesday after a tornado whipped through Natchez, Miss., Tuesday night. The storm formed too fast for authorities to warn residents and 95 homes were damaged and four minor injuries were reported.

AIDS test is significant but proof of effectiveness lacking

NEW YORK (AP) — Test results reported today by a French researcher who gave himself an experimental AIDS vaccine are significant but do not prove the vaccine works, scientists said of first such trial reported in humans.

Daniel Zagury and 11 other scientists report in a letter to the British journal Nature that the vaccine was given to Zagury and a group of volunteers from Zaire.

The letter says Zagury's immune system created defenses against two varieties of the AIDS virus. But it does not mention whether he was later exposed to the AIDS virus to see if the vaccine prevented infection.

Zagury, of the Pierre and Marie Curie University in Paris, declined Wednesday to elaborate on the report. Initial human tests of vaccines and medicines generally focus on side effects rather than effectiveness.

"It's of considerable interest to the scientific community and I think it's very noble that he did it on himself first," Dr. Robert Gallo, an AIDS researcher at the National Cancer Institute, said

Wednesday. "It's an important first step."

In the Nature letter, the researchers wrote that the experiment was prompted by concern that a vaccine that spurs the body only to produce antibodies, which are proteins in blood that recognize foreign invaders, may not be able to fight off more than one variety of the virus.

The experimental vaccine was designed to stimulate a second kind of immune system defense, called cell-mediated response, in which special blood cells also fight invading microorganisms.

The hope is that this defense would protect against more than one strain of the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome and kill cells already infected by the virus, researchers wrote.

The new results are "preliminary work, but it's interesting," said Bernard Moss, chief of the laboratory of viral diseases at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

The experiment used a genetically altered virus called vaccinia. Unaltered vaccinia is used as a smallpox vaccine.

Bomb threat halts train

DU QUOIN, Ill. (AP) — More than 100 passengers and crew members were evacuated from Amtrak's City of New Orleans train today because of a bomb threat which proved to be false, a State Police officer said.

"The train was searched. We came up zero," Sgt. Ray Lichliter said here. "We're reloading the train."

Amtrak train No. 59 en route from Chicago to New Orleans was stopped and evacuated in Ullin, about 18 miles north of Cairo in southern Illinois, around 2 a.m., Lichliter said.

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A Salvadoran woman works on a coffee plantation in Santa Tecla, El Salvador, as the final stages of the harvest approach. Despite a drop in the price of coffee on the world market, coffee continues to be El Salvador's main export product. (AP Laserphoto)

Syrians pledge crackdown

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Syrian forces controlling west Beirut have warned they will mete out "the severest possible punishment" if any of the 25 foreigners believed held hostage by Shiite Moslem extremists are killed, police said today.

"The Syrians have sent messages through Shiite clergymen that they will not sit idly by if a foreign hostage was killed," said a police official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The warning "included a threat of the severest possible punishment if a foreigner was killed," the official said.

He said the first result of the Syrian warning was the Revolutionary Justice Organization's statement Tuesday that it had postponed killing French captive Jean-Louis Normandin.

The authoritative an-Nahar daily on Wednesday credited Syrian pressure for Normandin's reprieve. Normandin, a 35-year-old lighting engineer with France's Antenne-2 television station, was kidnapped in Beirut March 8, 1986.

Syria deployed 7,500 troops in kidnap-plagued west Beirut on Feb. 22 in response to appeals by Moslem leaders to end three years of chaotic rule by rival militias.

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Of that, Mexico exported a daily average of 1.29 million barrels to 52 clients in 23 countries, earning a total \$5.572 billion from exports.

In discussing money-saving measures, Rojas said cutbacks in the drilling program had been among the most important ways Pemex had counteracted the revenue fall.

During the year, he said, 58 drilling rigs were taken out of operation for exploration and development. He said 119 field groups continued exploring in 10 currently productive zones and in 30 areas with petroleum possibilities on land and offshore.

Israel to stop military aid to South Africa

JERUSALEM (AP) — Top officials in Israel, believed to be one of South Africa's leading arms suppliers, have agreed to ban new military sales contracts with the white-controlled nation and approved curbs on cultural and trade exchanges, Israeli television said.

A government official confirmed the 10-member inner Cabinet considered the measures Wednesday but said no official decision was announced.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres was expected to report on the measures today in a speech to Parliament, the official said,

speaking on condition of anonymity.

Under the new measures, the government would not sign any new military contracts but apparently would not nullify existing contracts, the television said.

It said the measures are subject to approval by the full 25-member Cabinet, which meets Sunday.

Israel has a billion-dollar-a-year arms export business, but details of it are closely guarded secrets. Sources have said most of its sales to South Africa are light arms.

Foreign newspapers also have reported cooperation between the two countries on

nuclear tests, but Israeli officials deny it.

The television report also said the Cabinet decided to curb economic ties with Pretoria, including trade and cultural exchanges, and to set up a panel to formulate within two months a new policy towards Pretoria.

It said Ariel Sharon, the industry and trade minister, argued against the measures during the Cabinet's two stormy sessions Wednesday, but that the decision was backed by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

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Appeals court says religious magazine tax exemption constitutional

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas Monthly magazine's publisher says he will appeal a court ruling that a law exempting religious publications from sales tax is constitutional.

The 3rd Court of Appeals in Austin ruled Wednesday that Texas Monthly could not recover the \$149,107.14 in taxes that the publication paid under protest, reversing a Travis County court ruling.

"We think we have a strong case for an appeal,"

said publisher Mike Levy. "The fact that it was not remanded to the district court, there was some very strong dissent and the majority was very unclear. We have a strong case not only in the Texas Supreme Court, but beyond."

The magazine sued several state officials for reimbursement, arguing that exemption of religious magazines was discriminatory and unconstitutional. The magazine said the law violates the

constitutional separation of church and state.

The sales tax went into effect Oct. 2, 1984, and taxed the sale of Texas Monthly magazines published between Jan. 21, 1985, and Dec. 18, 1985.

In a majority opinion, Chief Justice Bob Shannon said the constitutional power to tax given to state legislatures also includes the freedom to choose whom to tax and to whom to grant exemptions.

The exemptions are legal and non-

discriminatory if there is a rational reason for them, Shannon said.

He said the exemptions do not violate separation of church and state provisions because they do not support or inhibit religion. The purpose of the tax law "is to permit religious organizations to be independent of government support or sanction," Shannon said.

Committee approves land access bill

AUSTIN (AP)—A Senate committee has approved a bill that would let the state go to court to get access to state-owned hard-rock minerals on land that is surrounded by private property.

The Senate Natural Resources Committee's 6-1 vote to put the measure to a full Senate vote came Wednesday after two meetings. Efforts by Sen. Bill Sims, D-San Angelo, to send it to subcommittee for revision were tabled 5-2.

Land Commissioner Garry Mauro told the group that the state loses up to \$21 million annually because state-owned mineral interests can't be developed.

"Without access, the adjoining landowners can either use our land without paying for it or lease it from us at an unreasonably low cost because the lack of access makes our tract unmarketable to anyone else," Mauro said.

The measure by Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall, would allow the state to start eminent domain proceedings only if access agreements could not be negotiated with the surrounding private landowners.

Lyon said private owners already have the right to sue for access if their land is surrounded by property that allows them no way in or out.

Mauro said his office currently has no legal means of gaining access to approximately 500,000 acres, or 58 percent, of the state's surface acreage. Another 6.6 million acres are affected where the state owns mineral rights but the surface is privately owned.

He said the state land became surrounded by private land in the 1900s when land grants to railroads and land sales of state land were "checkerboarded" for much of West Texas.

Mauro said the state's inability to develop deposits of beryllium, a high-tech mineral needed by aerospace and electronic manufacturers, was an example of need for the bill.

Midland attorney Gary Wisener, who said he represented ranchers owning 700,000 acres of surface rights in Pecos, Brewster, Presidio and Jeff Davis counties, opposed the bill, saying ranchers should get a better deal.

"Hard-rock mining destroys the surface of the land for any other purpose," he said. "There is nothing left for a rancher to use. This is not just a hobby to these people. They are making a living off their land."

Wisener suggested hard-rock mineral rights should be handled in a way similar to a 1919 law that allows owners to act as the state's agent in leasing land for oil and gas development and for soft minerals, such as coal and sulphur. In return, the owners get up to 50 percent of all bonuses, rentals and royalties.

"You want to give these people a percentage of what is rightfully the property of the people of Texas," said Lyon. "We should not have given up our rights in 1919 and ought not to give them up now."

Wisener said the West Texas ranchers were not asking 50 percent of proceeds from hard-rock minerals, "just a percentage."

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 - Mighty mite
 - Blanch
 - More rational
 - the line
 - Cat sound
 - Negative word
 - Yours and mine
 - Time zone (abbr.)
 - Has
 - Tug
 - Four score
 - Inner (comb. form)
 - Director Kazan
 - Type of hawk
 - Stylish Britisher
 - Harness part
 - Beast of burden
 - Russian ruler
 - Compass point
 - First copies (abbr.)
 - Night before a holiday
 - Sweet substance
 - Current (comp. wd.)
 - Emerald Isle
 - Holy image
 - Hockey league (abbr.)
 - Government agent (comp. wd.)
 - Strikes with fist
 - Auto club (abbr.)
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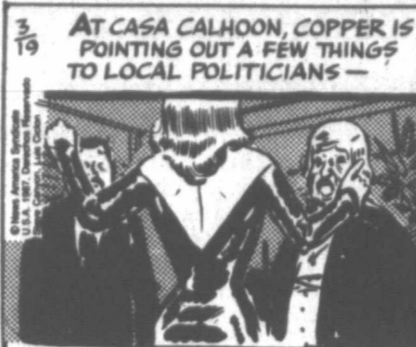
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- Last letter (Brit.)
- Contemporary painter Andrew
- Alaska glacier
- Animal society (abbr.)
- Intersection sign
- White frost
- Russian river
- Remain undecided
- Octane numbers (abbr.)
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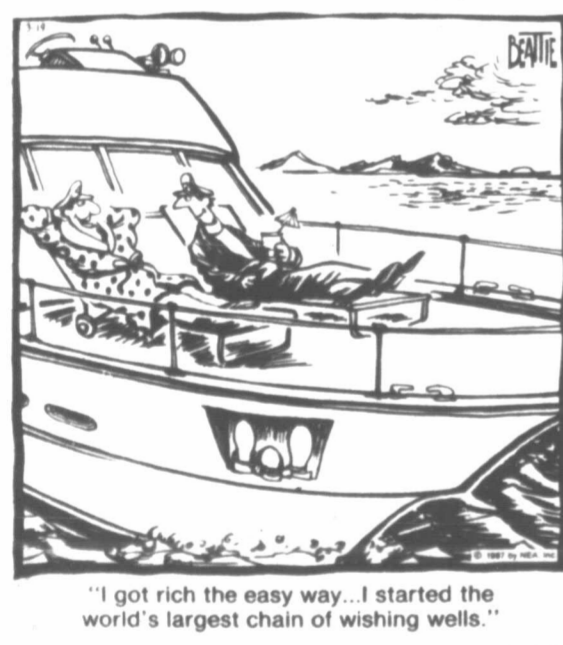
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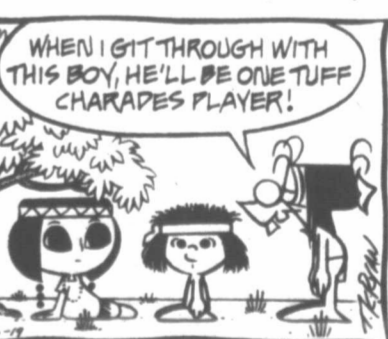
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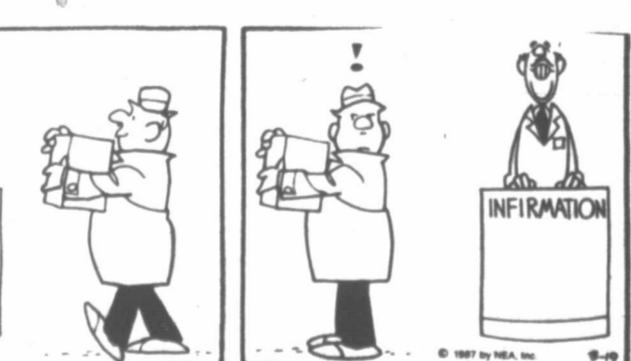
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Changes can be initiated today; that will improve your material position. Don't expect miracles overnight; just know all will come out well in the long run.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your ability to evaluate situations and make wise decisions is a big asset today. Put greater stock in your judgment than in the views of your associates.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Financial prospects look attractive for you today, especially in situations where you're trying to derive gains from a collective venture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you've been wondering if someone you find appealing is equally responsive to you, there's a chance you'll get the happy answer for which you're hoping today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Recheck your sources if there is something you've been wanting to get for your home but have been unable to locate. Your quest could be gratified today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your views and advice will have greater impact today than you may realize. People you counsel will be able to use your suggestions effectively.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Financial seeds you've planted recently may have looked like they were sown in the wind. However, sprouts will soon appear trumpeting a harvest.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You'll handle current matters easily today, and new challenges will be conquered by drawing upon what you have learned from past experiences.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Make your presence felt in important situations today, but do so in ways so that whoever else is involved won't feel you're overbearing or dictatorial.

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By MARILYN POWERS
Lifestyles Editor

Eyeglass frames have come a long way in the last decade, available now in a wide variety of shapes and colors once undreamed of.

Bright, bold colors are very popular with women and children. Hottest colors on the market include rose, burgundy, navy blue, tortoise and red, both for vision correction and sun protection.

Other colors available include pastel pink and blue, electric blue, green, white and mauve. A mix of colors is also present. Some new combinations are black and white, red with black and white accents, black and pink, white and blue, and red, black and gold.

Plastic frames dominate the selections, but metals and even a

combination of metal and plastic is available. All-metal frames are used more for ophthalmic glasses than for sunglasses. Today's wire frames are more durable than ever before. Gold wire frames may be accented with red, blue or green.

For the ultimate in style, eyeglass wearers can choose a 14K gold filigree frame with amethyst, diamond, sapphire or topaz stones at the top outer corners of the lenses.

Men are tending more toward black, bronze and topaz frames instead of gold and silver. Black frames with gold or silver trim are popular.

Ultra light frames are available in stainless steel. Another frame style that cuts down on weight is the rimless frame. Nylon cord holds the lenses across areas where there is no

frame, either on bottom or top. Some lenses are suspended by nylon cord inside the frame, with only the inner edges held by the frame. These styles not only make the glasses lighter, but they also eliminate some frame shadows from the wearer's field of vision.

Lens shapes include a smaller lens area with big flared temples for comfort. The familiar cat's-eye shape from years past is making a comeback. Today's cat's-eye shapes are toned down and more rounded.

A lot of new European styles are invading the market. For grade schoolers to college students, the preppie style is hot. This style features a flat line across the top of the lenses with rounded bottoms and large lens size.

Men's shapes include the ever-

popular aviator style, with variations to give it a new look. Spring hinges, which allow more flexibility at the temples, are a popular feature that add more durability to men's frames. Men's frames in general are lighter and thinner, not as bulky as in previous years.

Aviator and square styles with spring hinges are also popular for boys.

Lenses are available in glass and plastic. Many wearers still prefer glass lenses. For those who are seeking lighter-weight glasses, however, plastic is the choice. Plastic lenses are also more impact-resistant than glass, and are available in regular or scratch-resistant types. The scratch-resistant feature is made into the lens, rather than coated on. This reduces the chance of scratching the lenses, but caution is still needed when cleaning them.

Polycarbonate lenses are the most impact-resistant of all materials available. These are a

type of plastic lens that are recommended for safety glasses and sports enthusiasts.

Bifocal wearers may choose the new no-line bifocals, which provide a range of corrected vision with no lines between the different areas.

Color is popular not only in frames but also the lenses themselves. Tinting is in demand both for cosmetic reasons and for glare protection.

Perhaps the most important feature of any glasses is their ultraviolet protection. Good-quality sunglasses have no distortion and provide 90 percent ultraviolet protection.

Vision-correcting lenses are available in photogray and photobrown. These lenses are clear indoors, but change to a gray or brown tint in bright outdoor light. The photogray option is more popular than the photobrown, which is not as easily available.

Ultraviolet protection is available as a clear coating for lenses. This coating provides 98 to 100

percent protection from the sun's rays, which can damage the eyes.

Whatever combination of color, shape, material and protection the customer desires, he can probably get it these days.

"People are more fashion-conscious and are beginning to want more than one pair to have different looks. Wearers should see what color looks good, what highlights their face and what doesn't make their face look frowny. Light complexions need contrast, and frame shapes should contrast with face shapes. Round faces don't need round frames. Square faces need wide frames," said Brenda Wilkerson, fashion frame consultant for Simmons & Simmons optometrists of Pampa.

"Rose adds a lot of color to the face and blends with a lot of colors. Don't buy frames to match your hair or to go with everything in your wardrobe.

"If we're going to have to wear glasses, we might as well get something we like and have fun with them," she said.

Soft contact lenses are tops

By MARILYN POWERS
Lifestyles Editor

Soft contact lenses are the preferred form of vision correction for those who don't want to wear eyeglasses, according to Dr. Fred Simmons, Pampa optometrist.

Comfort is the main reason cited for choosing soft lenses. Eighty percent of new contact lens wearers choose soft lenses, although there are some limitations on who can wear them.

Astigmatism has been a stumbling block for potential soft lens wearers, but new astigmatism-correcting soft lenses are becoming more widely available. Large amounts of astigmatism are still difficult to correct with contact lenses, Simmons said.

Astigmatism is a condition in which the front surface of the eye is warped. Corrective lenses must match this shape, and most contact lenses ride in a circular motion on the eye, rotating when

the wearer blinks. New contact lenses are designed to rotate to their correct position on the eye's surface and stay there.

Bifocal soft lenses are available, but are difficult to use now, Simmons said. For those who need both long- and short-range vision correction, the monovision technique is available. One lens corrects distance vision, while the other corrects near vision, enabling the patient to wear contact lenses. This type of vision correction requires an adjustment period by the wearer to get used to it, but it is gaining in popularity. Ronald Reagan and Johnny Carson both use this type of vision correction, Simmons said.

Another option for bifocal wearers is to wear the contact lenses for distance vision and switch to reading glasses for close-up work.

Other types of contact lenses for those who can't wear or don't want soft lenses are the rigid,

gas-permeable lenses and the standard hard lenses.

Tinted soft lenses are translucent. They can enhance the eye's natural color or even change the color. These lenses have a clear center, where the pupil is located, surrounded by a colored area the size of the iris. The lens is larger than the iris, so the rim of the lens is also clear.

"These have been widely used in Canada and Europe for years, and were only recently approved by the FDA for use in the United States," Simmons said.

The translucent lenses can transform irises into a variety of colors, including brown, green and several shades of blue.

Some people want the contact lenses only to change their eye color, and don't even need vision correction, Simmons said.

The color-changing lenses are available only in soft form. Hard lenses can't be used for color change.



Ex-soldier believes tattoo needles caused positive AIDS test results

DEAR ABBY: The last year of my military duty I decided to have a tattoo on my upper arm. I now have a civilian job and have been in it for the last two years.

I was recently tested for AIDS, and I tested positive! I am not a homosexual, I am not a drug abuser, I have never had a blood transfusion and, although this may be hard to believe, I have never had sex without a condom.

Abby, please let your readers know of my experience, but please do not identify me in any way.

UNCERTAIN FUTURE

DEAR UNCERTAIN: It's commendable of you to want to warn others. I consulted Dr. Arnold Klein, an eminent dermatologist and a director of the American Foundation for AIDS Research. He said, "It is important to know WHEN you were tested, also if confirmatory testing was done to be sure your reaction was not a false positive. Although it's theoretically feasible to transmit AIDS from a very shallow needle puncture, the incidence on record is rare."

Since you are in none of the high-risk groups, you should

repeat the tests, and if you are indeed positive, then see your physician to determine the status of your immune system and to what extent the virus has affected your body. Then determine what you must do to protect yourself and keep from spreading the virus. Your physician will instruct you.

DEAR ABBY: My sister-in-law (I'll call her Charlotte), 41, and her husband have four lovely boys (ages 10, 8, 6 and 3). Last October they flew to Sidney, Australia, for an "in vitro fertilization" of a baby girl. (It's a rather new process whereby the male and female chromosomes can be identified and separated, and the parents can

select the sex they want. They did this because they didn't want another boy.)

Charlotte has just found out that she is carrying twins — a boy and a girl. She wants to keep only the girl! She and her husband have decided to put the boy up for adoption. The doctor has agreed, so when the time comes, Charlotte will see only "the chosen baby."

What is your opinion of this idea? WITHHOLD MY NAME

DEAR WITHHOLD: It doesn't seem right to keep only one twin. I pray that Charlotte and her husband change their minds and keep them both.

DEAR ABBY: My 30-year-old sister is finally getting married. She

is having a formal church wedding, reception and sit-down dinner for 200 guests, but no children!

However, she has made one exception — our 7-year-old daughter, whom she has asked to be the flower girl in the wedding. We accepted. The catch is that we also have a 4-year-old daughter whom my sister is specifically not inviting.

Naturally, we objected. We told her that we were not about to hurt the feelings of our younger daughter, and if she can't go to the wedding, none of us (including our older daughter) will attend. My sister insists that we are being insensitive to her feelings and her rights as the bride-to-be.

Abby, the wedding is two months away, and there has been no compromise. Who is being insensitive — the bride, or are we?

BIG BAD BROTHER IN HAWAII

DEAR BROTHER: You are. It's the bride's big day. To "boycott" her wedding by refusing to allow your daughter to be her flower girl — and absenting yourselves unless she invites your 4-year-old — would, in my view, be a serious mistake.

Also, consider the precedent you'd be setting if you arranged for your younger daughter to be invited everywhere big sister went. Think about it.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Use color, styling to look slimmer

By The Associated Press

An adviser on how women can flatter their figures suggests cream — the color, not the kind associated with cows.

Marie Dawson, fashion editor of Weight Watchers magazine, says there are many color options that are flattering and popular for spring for the woman who is slimming down for the warmer months ahead.

"Cream is a good neutral color that works well with khaki tones and pastels as well as with contrasts such as navy and black," Ms. Dawson says. "Of course, a one-tone look is always pretty, too."

To flatter a woman's figure and make the most of spring-summer fashions, she suggests a sophisti-

cated and figure-flattering tunic and skirt combination in a lightweight fabric. The body-skimming lines and unconstructed shape of the long tunic over a long skirt, she adds, make this a winner for any woman's wardrobe.

Mix-and-match jackets, blouses and slacks in silk-blend, polyester-linen and lightweight gabardine or wool crepe are also recommended.

"Select lightweight fabrics that do not cling to the body to minimize figure flaws," says Ms.

Dawson. "Polyester, crepe de chine, tissue faille, damask or linen or a jacquard in polyester or cotton are all fashion and figure-wise choices."

Specifically, she suggests that a silk-blend dolman sleeved jacket in spring's hot fashion colors such as a gray, pink and cream check, can be teamed with either a pink polyester-linen skirt or gray silk-blend slacks for a pair of slimming looks.

As for accessories, the basic guideline is to keep it simple but striking.

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Sports Scene

NCAA regionals feature individual matchups

By The Associated Press

While Reggie Williams runs the show for Georgetown, Danny Manning pretty much is the show for Kansas.

The two first-team All-Americans will be on display tonight on the basketball court in a Southeast Regional semifinal game at Freedom Hall in Louisville.

The fourth-ranked Hoyas and 20th-rated Jayhawks meet in the nightcap of the regional doubleheader. The other game has No. 9 Alabama against Providence.

Two other pretty good players, both first-team All-American selections, will be involved in regional play — guards Kenny Smith of North Carolina and Steve Alford of Indiana.

At tonight's East Regional in East Rutherford, N.J., it's No. 2 North Carolina facing 18th-rated Notre Dame, and Florida against No. 10 Syracuse.

In Friday night regional play, top-ranked Nevada-Las Vegas takes on Wyoming and sixth-ranked Iowa plays Oklahoma at

Seattle. The Midwest action is in Cincinnati, with No. 3 Indiana opposing No. 17 Duke and No. 5 DePaul playing Louisiana State.

The smooth Williams, who has averaged 23.2 points a game, assumed the leadership role on the young Hoyas this season.

"He's a leader, and he's a bread-and-butter player," Manning said of the 6-foot-7 Williams. "If he can't score, he's going to get the ball to someone who can score or get in position to draw the foul."

Kansas Coach Larry Brown is concerned that his players can't match up with Williams.

"We don't have anybody who can guard him," Brown said of Williams. "We have to hope he's not shooting extremely well and we're not giving him cheap baskets."

Kansas, a Final Four team last year, is 25-10. The 6-11 Manning scored a career-high 42 points in Kansas' 67-63 victory over Southwest Missouri State in a second-round game at Atlanta.



NC's Dean Smith talks to players.

he can do a lot of things, but no one person is going to check Manning," Georgetown forward Ronnie Highsmith said. "Our whole team will play him. If he can get by our whole team, then he is a pretty good player."

Manning, a junior, is averaging 17.7 of a point more per game than Williams.

"It's not by design that he's become a scorer," Brown said. "It's out of necessity. He's smart enough to know we need him to score in order to win. I just think we're lucky to have him and that kind of ability."

The other Southeast contest figures to be a battle between Providence's home-run hitters and Alabama's construction workers.

The Friars, 23-8, are led by long-range bombers Billy Donovan and Ernie "Pop" Lewis, and have hit 256 3-point shots, most in the nation.



Reggie Williams.

But the Tide, 28-4, has made a better percentage of 3-pointers than Providence, 45.2 percent to 41.6.

"We're not the type of team that lives and dies by the 3-point shot," said Alabama forward Jim Farmer, a 40.5 percent 3-point shooter.

"We try to get the ball inside to Derrick McKey and Mike (Ansley) as much as possible. If the guys collapse on them, then we'll shoot the 3-point shot. We really don't have any set

offense to try to get the 3-point shot."

East North Carolina, 31-3, seeks to avenge a regular-season loss to the Irish, who have won their last 11 games.

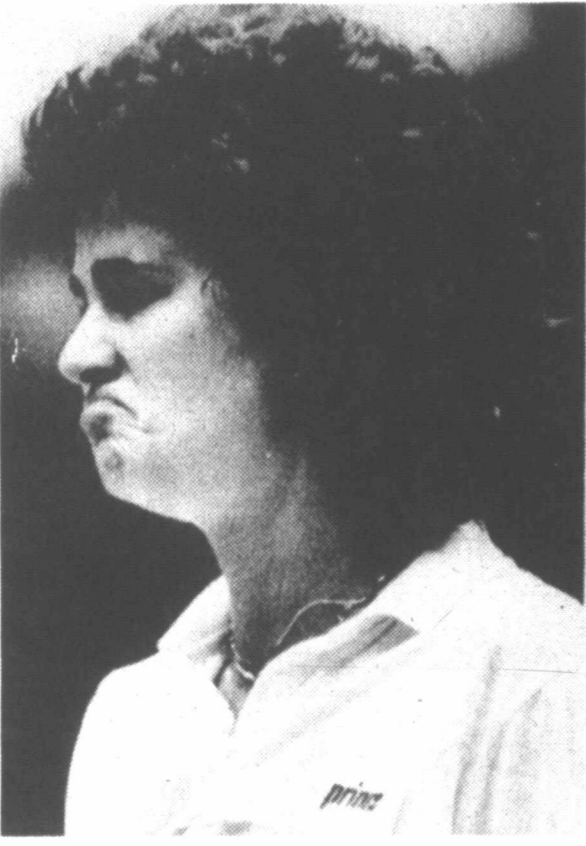
WNIT tips off today

AMARILLO, Texas (AP)—The 19th annual Women's National Invitation Tournament gets under way today with two of the highest-scoring NCAA Division I teams.

The tournament begins at 1 p.m. CST at the Amarillo Civic Center Coliseum as the 13th-highest scoring team in the country, Appalachian State of North Carolina, brings a 24-4 record and an 81.5 points-per-game average against 19-9 California, averaging 81 points, 16th in the nation.

Other first-round games are: Providence (22-7) vs. DePaul (22-6) at 3 p.m.; Creighton (21-6) vs. Stephen F. Austin (23-5) at 6 p.m.; and Montana (25-3) vs. Arkansas (17-12) at 8 p.m.

The championship game is scheduled for 8 p.m. Saturday. For Appalachian, 5-foot-11 junior Valerie Whiteside averages 24.1 points per game and ranks 29th in field-goal shooting at .580.



Pam Shriver shows her disgust after a bad shot.

Shriver overcomes trouble for second-round victory in Virginia Slims Classic

Finals set for Sunday

DALLAS (AP) — Pam Shriver wanted a tough match in the second round of the Virginia Slims of Dallas. For a few minutes, she got it.

With several of the world's top players skipping the event, second-seeded Shriver is expected to charge into Sunday's finals against top-seed Chris Evert Lloyd.

In the second set of Wednesday's match, unseeded Lisa Bonder of Saline, Mich., gave Shriver cause for concern. But Shriver quickly restored order for a 6-3, 6-3 victory.

Shriver used her serve-and-volley power game to good advantage against baseliner Bonder. But Shriver's concentration wandered in the second set when she wasted a chance to break Bonder's serve in the fifth

game after building a 5-0 lead, then lost her serve in the seventh game.

But Shriver cranked up her serve in the ninth game to close out the match.

"It was nice to get in a little trouble and then close it out," said Shriver. "I felt better tonight than I have in a while. I moved well and served well."

With top-ranked Martina Navratilova and second-ranked Steffi Graf skipping the tournament, Shriver finds herself in the rare position of being among the two favorites to win the \$50,000 first prize.

"I want to do what I'm supposed to and get a crack at Chris. I have a lot of friends here. This is one tournament I'd love to win before I hang it up."

The first seeded player was eliminated from the tournament Wednesday night when unseeded Stephanie Rehe of Highland, Calif. upset eighth-seeded Robin White of San Jose, Calif. 7-6 (7-0), 5-7, 6-3.

Two seeded players from Houston, third-seeded Zina Garrison and sixth-seeded Lori McNeil, both advanced during Wednesday afternoon's session. Garrison defeated Tina Mochizuki of South Pasadena, Calif. 6-1, 6-2 and McNeil won over Barbara Potter of Woodbury, Ct., 6-4, 6-4.

Other unseeded players advancing Wednesday were Diana Balestrat of Sydney, Australia, a 2-6, 6-0, 6-4 winner over Raffaella Reggi, Faenza, Italy; and Kate Gompert of Rancho Mirage, Calif., a 6-1, 7-6 (7-3) victor over Catherine Tanvier, Nice, France.

Pampa hosts Lobos in district opener

The Pampa Harvesters, after a long stretch on the road, will play their first game of the season on the home field Saturday, weather permitting of course.

The Harvesters had two non-district home games canceled due to a wet field.

Pampa hosts Levelland at 1 p.m. and the game also opens the District 1-4A season.

Pampa has won seven of its last eight games against Levelland, but Harvester Coach Bill Butler said the Lobos may have one of their better teams this season.

"Levelland has played some teams tough this year," Butler said. "I know they've got a good pitcher and a good hitter and if they can make a difference, Levelland is going to be tough."

Pampa has a .251 team batting average with three players hitting exactly .333 — Bret Mitchell, Jon Roe and Kenny Steward.

Grant Gamblin is hitting .313 and leads the team in runs scored with 11. Roe, Troy Owens (.235) and Shawn Frye (.250) lead the team in the RBI department with five each.

Mitchell (2-2) will start on the mound against Levelland, Butler said. The senior righthander has struck out 28 and walked 23 in 21 and one-third innings pitched. His earned run average is 2.95.

Mitchell, along with outfielder Mark Williams, are among nine returning lettermen who were second-team, all-district picks for the Harvesters last season.

Williams, who is headed for Southwestern College (Weatherford, Okla.) on a football scholarship, is currently batting .231 with three RBI. Williams batted .285 a year ago.

SMU committee asking for testimony

DALLAS (AP) — A committee appointed by United Methodist bishops to investigate the Southern Methodist University football scandal is asking that people with first-hand knowledge to come forward and testify, the committee's chief counsel says.

J. Chrys Dougherty, the committee's chief counsel, said that although the committee cannot force people to provide information, it is anxious to talk to anyone who knew about illegal payments given to several SMU student athletes.

"We have no subpoena power," Dougherty told the Dallas Times Herald Wednesday. "Only the full pressure of the Methodist church is behind us. People don't have to talk with us, but we are hoping they will."

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Former mining town struggling to recover

REAL DE CATORCE, Mexico (AP) — Residents of this former mountain boom town are shaken by a rumor that the district mayor may soon move his headquarters to another village.

Losing the municipal seat, and the public funds and attention that go with it, would be a hard blow for the 1,000 people here who are just starting to see their town awaken from a 77-year hibernation.

"Right now the city is improving, but it's going slowly," said 84-year-old Jose Blanco, who has lived through the town's best and worst of times.

Real de Catorce, lodged on steep slopes 9,000 feet high in the silver-rich mountains of San Luis Potosi state in north central Mexico, was a thriving economic center when Americans were fighting for independence.

From 1773, the time of the first silver discovery, through the early 1900s, Spanish aristocrats and adventurers flocked to these mountains, opening 117 mines and turning Catorce into one of Mexico's major silver-producing regions.

"There was money for everything," recalls Blanco.

The Spanish founders built lavish theaters, ornate homes, a bull ring, a Roman-style cock-fighting arena, a mint and a Roman Catholic church as large and impressive as any found in Mexico's major cities today.

They commissioned a sewer system and hand-laid cobblestone streets. In 1901 they finished construction on a 1½-mile-long tunnel that connects Catorce with the outside world.

Marauders after the Mexican Revolution started in 1910 interrupted the vast mining operations here and flooding saw to it that they stayed closed, most of them permanently.

Most of the 48,000 people who once lived here fled and by the 1930s Catorce had just 200 permanent residents.

"There wasn't much reason to look for anything else," said Blanco.

Broke and nearly abandoned, Catorce suffered the ravages of time.

The theater that once hosted troupes from Mexico City 480 miles south fell into ruin. Many of the stone and wrought-iron balconies and carved granite columns of the Spanish-style homes decayed and tumbled.

The three-story "Money House," that minted silver and copper coins until it was closed in 1869, began to crumble.

Tree-size cacti and fallen stone filled the bedrooms and kitchens of scores of abandoned, roofless homes.

"Time forgot us, but God didn't," said Socorro Ibarra, caretaker of the church's 12-year-old museum.

A devotion to St. Francis of Assisi, Catorce's patron saint, brings pilgrims from all over Mexico. In the fall thousands of worshippers come for the month-long celebration surrounding the saint's Oct. 4 feast day.

Lack of hotel accommodations — there are a few rustic bungalows and three tourist-quality hotels offering a total of 20 rooms — force most of the pilgrims to sleep in the streets.

Huichol Indians also come to Catorce from distant Nayarit state on the Pacific coast looking for the sacred peyote plant, a hallucinogen used in their ceremonies.

The lure of peyote and marijuana also attract American and Mexican "hippies," the locals say.

Still, the 20th Century hasn't passed by Catorce.

Electricity arrived a couple of decades ago. Now junior high students can attend classes via television at their school. The town's one rural telephone was installed in the 1970s. Road improvements make travel here by automobile possible now.

Dump trucks loaded with ore lumber from a mine to the recently expanded processing plant in nearby La Luz.

But tourism, not mining, is bringing better days, residents say.

Retired Americans come in buses on their way south. Archeologists, history buffs, rock hounds, photographers, coin collectors all find something in Catorce.

"People come here looking for something a little different and there's nothing like it in Mexico," said Christina Adenfor.

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