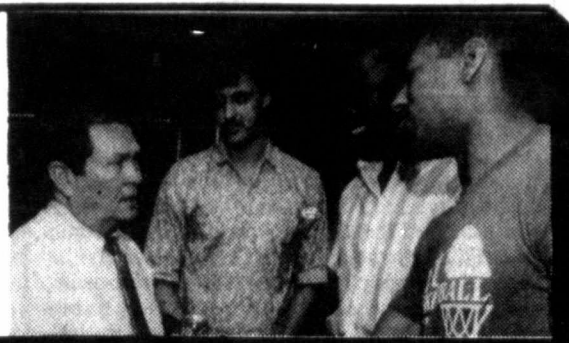


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'Rising star' grabs Pampa school reins

By PAUL PINKHAM
Senior Staff Writer

The smug grins on the faces of Pampa school trustees Tuesday were outward expressions of relief at having caught a "rising star" as the district's new superintendent.

Dr. Harry Griffith, 36, currently superintendent at Ingram, was introduced as the next head of Pampa schools during a 4 p.m. reception at the Pampa Community Building.

Two hours later, trustees registered the first official vote on hiring a new superintendent, legally granting Griffith a title the elected officials had bestowed on him at some time prior to Tuesday's board meeting.

And trustees took steps to keep Griffith in Pampa while by offering him a three-year contract at \$60,000 per year and agreeing to provide him with a car.

"The board feels that Dr. Griffith is a young, rising star," board Vice President Joe VanZandt said in announcing Griffith's appointment during

the reception. "I truly believe that Dr. Griffith will provide the leadership to take our school system to the forefront as we approach the decade of the '90s."

"The board has been looking forward to this day for several months now in anticipation," VanZandt added.

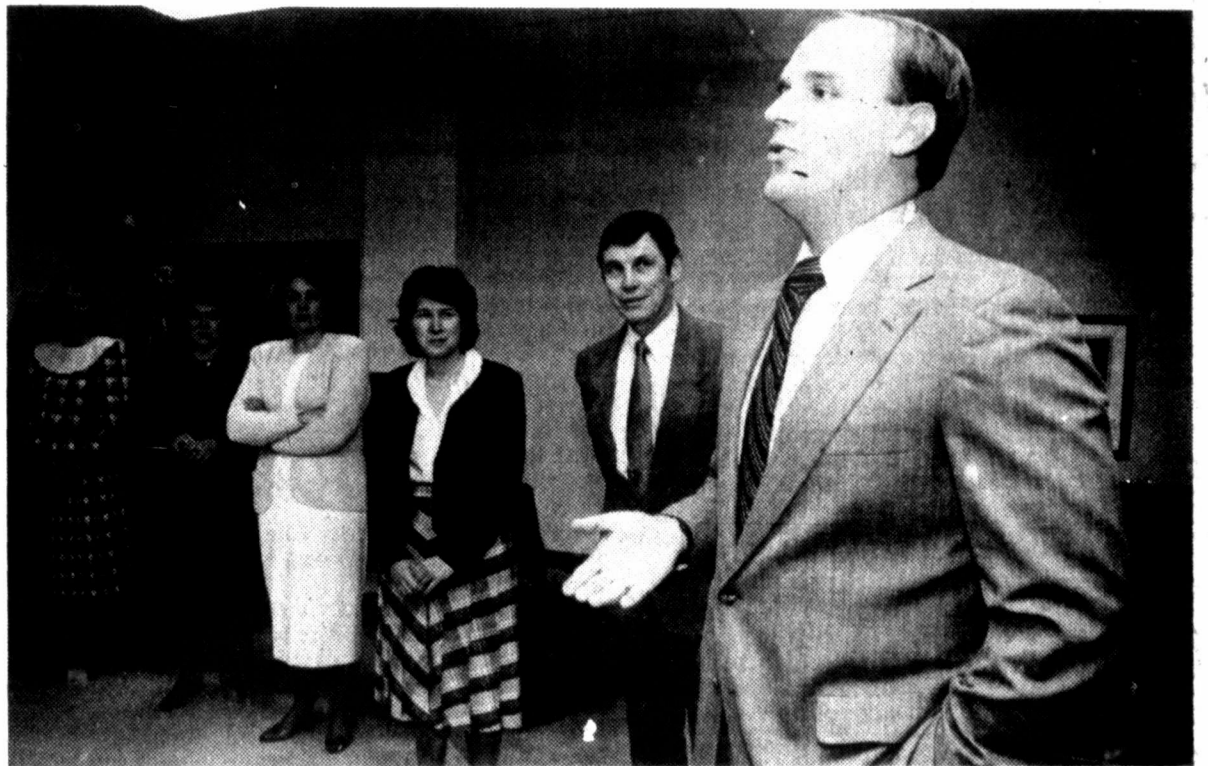
The selection of Griffith, superintendent at Ingram for the past four years, ended a seven-month search by the board for a new school chief after former Superintendent James Trusty announced in August that he would resign in December. Assistant Superintendent Tommy Cathey has been interim superintendent since December.

Griffith's \$60,000-a-year salary is about \$3,600 more than Trusty was earning when he retired.

Griffith thanked those who attended the reception and said he hopes to meet with the staff and with citizens and parents shortly after taking over the district reins July 1. He said he plans to spend about a week in Pampa during each of the next three months.

"Everyone here will be a real important part of

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(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Griffith and wife Sally, in dark jacket, introduce themselves to district employees at reception Tuesday.

Miami band leader quits Witcher seeks greener pastures

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

MIAMI — After two years as Miami band director, Jeff Witcher is seeking "greener pastures."

But Witcher said Tuesday that has yet to find them.

Miami school trustees accepted Witcher's resignation Monday at their regular meeting.

In his letter of resignation, Witcher noted that his decision to leave at the end of the school year comes "after many searching hours of study, thought and prayer."

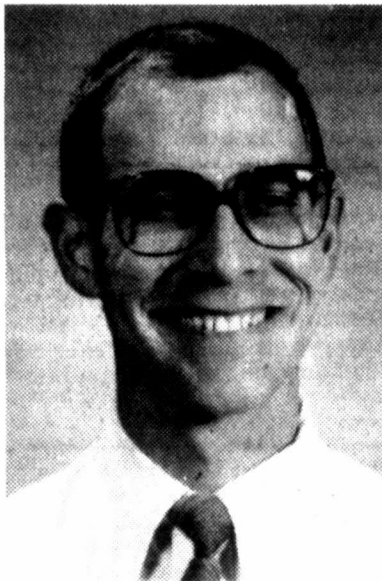
According to Miami ISD Superintendent Allen Dinsmore, Witcher has expressed a desire to move to a larger school system.

Witcher said Tuesday afternoon that he is still looking for a band director position.

"It's about that time of year," Witcher said, adding that he's looking into possible openings in Amarillo. He observed that he's open to suggestions.

Witcher joined the Miami faculty after graduating from West Texas State University in the summer of 1985.

A tuba player who also reportedly could play the trumpet while standing on his head, Witcher attended Brigham Young University at Provo, Utah, where he received the



Witcher

Cougar Marching Band spirit award.

In his letter, Witcher expressed appreciation for the consideration the board gave to his family's "financial subsistence."

"I speak specifically of my morning bus route," he said. "It is — without reservation — the most enjoyable part of my working day."

Witcher indicated that he felt pressured into resigning.

But Dinsmore said there was no "direct pressure."

"There's always going to be someone who's going to be upset," Dinsmore said, adding that he received Witcher's letter of resignation about three weeks ago.

Witcher acknowledged that he felt extra pressure starting his teaching career at Miami.

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Jobless rate hits 10.9 percent

By LARRY HOLLIS
News Editor

Pampa's unemployment rate in January jumped more than a percentage point from December, with petroleum-related jobs still facing layoffs and Christmas-season workers losing their temporary positions.

Texas Employment Commission Pampa Director Charles Vance said "virtually all" the counties in the local office's reporting district showed increases in the unemployment rate for January.

Vance said much of the increase in unemployment was due to continuing layoffs in the oil and gas industries and from workers losing their temporary seasonal jobs after the Christmas season.

Pampa had an unemployment rate of 10.9 percent in January, jumping 1.3 points above the 9.6 percent rate recorded for December, Vance reported.

The city had a labor force of 10,322, with 9,194 listed as employed and 1,128 unemployed in the TEC report.

The January rate is only half a percentage point

less than double the rate for January 1986. At that time, Pampa had an unemployment rate of 5.7 percent. Of the labor force of 10,943 just over a year ago, 10,320 people had jobs and 623 were looking for work.

Gray County had a January unemployment rate of 11.2 percent, up 1.4 points from the 9.8 reported for December. The labor force stood at 12,721, with 11,301 working and 1,420 out looking for jobs.

In January 1986, the labor force was 13,469, with 12,685 employed and 784 seeking work. The unemployment rate was 5.8 percent, Vance noted.

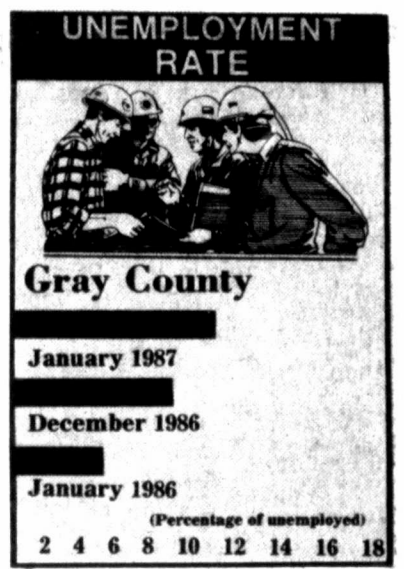
Both Pampa and Gray County have fewer people in the labor force than a year ago.

Vance listed Wheeler County with a 7 percent unemployment rate for January, up from the 6.6 reported for December. Total labor force was 3,178, up from last year; 2,954 had jobs and 224 were job hunting.

Last January, Wheeler County had a labor force of 2,993, with 2,832 employed and 161 seeking work. The unemployment rate was 5.4 percent.

In Roberts County, the unemployment rate for

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Chamber seeks leader with two hats

The Pampa Chamber of Commerce is continuing its search for a combined chamber executive and economic development director to fill the vacancy for the chamber manager position.

Chamber President Norman Knox said the board of directors decided to combine the jobs of chamber manager and economic development director after discussions with representatives of the membership.

"We became concerned that we would lose our membership if the chamber did not take the leadership role in economic and industrial development," Knox said.

He said the concerns also were discussed

with Pampa Industrial Foundation and city of Pampa officials. "All agree that the job can be accomplished with one executive with a strong background and experience in both chamber of commerce management and industrial development," Knox said.

Knox said chamber representatives have learned there are a number of candidates "with this type of background and experience."

With the decision to seek the combined position, a second call was issued for applications to fill the chamber manager position left vacant by the resignation of Floyd Sackett in November.

Knox said an additional 15 applications

have been received from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Southern Region.

"We are doing a preliminary interview with the applicants by phone and checking references," he said. The stronger candidates will be invited to Pampa for personal interviews this month.

Knox said a recommendation may be made to the combined boards of the chamber and industrial foundation by the end of the month.

Under a memorandum of agreement being considered by local business and governmental entities, the chamber will become the lead agency for economic development under the Texas Cities for Economic Leadership (TEXCEL) program in Pampa and Gray County.

Producers say dump DOE import plan down the well

DALLAS (AP) — A Department of Energy study of an oil import fee should have another chapter — "Chapter 11" — says an executive of a Texas producers group.

The DOE report shows the potential dangers of increasing dependency on foreign oil but proposes no solutions to help the plight of the domestic energy industry, oil industry leaders said Tuesday.

Dan Jones, executive vice president of the East Texas Producers and Royalty Owners Association, was in Washington for a briefing on the report by Deputy Energy Secretary William Martin.

Jones said the report "has 10 chapters, but I made the suggestion to Mr. Martin, they should have added another chapter, because Chapter 11 is the one that's most prominent in East Texas now."

The report "fails to offer an action plan for solving the problems facing America's energy industry," said Philip Burguières, president of the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association.

Shelby D. Pitts, president of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association, said the solutions proposed in the report could help the industry in the long run, but that "nothing short of the immediate, direct boost of a variable import

fee is going to turn this disaster around in time to save the core of the exploration and well servicing industry."

The 335-page report was released Tuesday by Energy Secretary John S. Herrington. It was ordered by President Reagan during last fall's election campaign and took twice as long to complete as expected.

Jones said the "conservative" DOE report gives "every indication an oil import fee is needed, but will not recommend imposing an import fee because of the possible severe impact a fee would have on the gross national product."

Jones said Martin told about 125 producers from across the United States and from several foreign producing countries that the DOE suggests eliminating the windfall profits tax and supporting comprehensive deregulation of the natural gas industry.

The study examined the effects of several tariffs. It said a \$10-a-barrel tariff would restore 120,000 of the 150,000 jobs lost by the domestic petroleum industry last year, but would cost the economy 400,000 jobs elsewhere as petroleum buyers cut back purchases of other goods and services.



Drama teacher's supporters bring down the house

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

CANADIAN — Two students rehearse a scene on a half-built set. They adequately run their lines and go through the proper motions when the action stops.

The students' director bounds up on the stage, takes the girl's role and demonstrates a technique that would give her more nerve without being a caricature.

Canadian High School speech and drama teacher Tal Lostracco is leading his students through what he hopes to be another award-winning one act play.

The ram-charging Lostracco, in his third year at Canadian, almost lost his opportunity to re-

turn for a fourth year when trustees did not include him when they renewed teacher contracts last week. Lostracco's contract was held up when it was learned he still lacked 27-hours credit toward his speech teaching certification.

After a closed-door session Monday, school trustees voted 4-2 to rehire Lostracco after he signed an "agreement" with school administrators that he complete the college hours needed for his certification.

Canadian school Superintendent Jim Pollard refused Tuesday to disclose the contents of the agreement, even though terms of the pact were subject to the trust-

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

WELBORN, Luther E. - 1 p.m., Metcalf Funeral Home Chapel, Conroe.
KENNEDY, Acie Levi - 3 p.m., First Baptist Church, Wheeler.

Obituaries

LUTHER E. WELBORN
 CONROE — Services for Luther Edward Welborn, 72, a former Lefors resident, will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in the Metcalf Funeral Home Chapel in Conroe. Officiating will be Harold Thomas, a Church of Christ minister.

Burial will be in the Rabon Chapel Cemetery at Willis.
 Mr. Welborn died Monday at Doctors Hospital in Conroe.

He was born July 21, 1914 at Electra. He married Esther Rose Ouline on Oct. 15, 1932 at Walters, Okla. They moved to Lefors in August, 1948. He worked for Phillips Petroleum, Dansinger, Sinclair and Atlantic Richfield. He retired in July 1976 and moved to Conroe. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Rose, of the home; a daughter, Grace Lee Carlton, Pampa; a son, James Welborn, Freepert; a sister, Irene Hall, Pampa; 10 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

TOMMY BARRY RHOTEN
 Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors for Tommy Barry Rhoten, 49, of Plano, a former Pampa resident.

Mr. Rhoten died Tuesday in Dallas.
 Born March 14, 1938 at Tulsa, Okla., he had been a resident of Pampa from 1938 to 1973, when he moved to Plano. He was a 1956 graduate of Pampa High School and attended Frank Phillips College in Borger.

Survivors include two sons, Bobby Rhoten and Barry Rhoten, both of Plano; a daughter, Becky Rhoten, Atlanta, Texas; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.N. Rhoten, White Deer; three sisters, Joyce N. Killough, White Deer; Sherry Thomas, Lawton, Okla.; and Julie Free, Bakersfield, Calif.; a brother, Leo Rhoten, North Little Rock, Ark.; and a grandmother, Neva Robison, Tulsa, Okla.

ACIE LEVI KENNEDY
WHEELER - Services for Acie Levi Kennedy, 74, will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in Wheeler First Baptist Church with Rev. Joe Jernigan, pastor of Calvary Christian Fellowship at Shamrock, officiating.

Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home.

Mr. Kennedy died Tuesday in Amarillo.
 He was born at Millerton, Okla. He married Mary Rodgers in 1948 at Pampa. He moved to Wheeler 10 years ago from Glendale, Calif., where he had lived for 20 years. He was retired from the street maintenance department of Glendale. An Army veteran of World War II, he was a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; six sons, Lowell Kennedy and Charles Kennedy, both of Madera, Calif.; Harold Kennedy, Sunland, Calif.; Wayne Kennedy of California; Clifford May, Claude, and John May, Lubbock; two brothers, Cecil Kennedy, Paris, Texas, and Jessie Kennedy, Bagwell; two sisters, Ethel Moore, Clyde, and Flossie Miller, Avery; and 14 grandchildren.

JERILYN KENNETH PRESTIDGE
SHAMROCK - Services for Jerilyn Kenneth Prestidge, infant son of Kenneth and Gerri Prestidge of Shamrock, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Richerson Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mike Chancellor, Shamrock First Baptist Church pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in the Baby Garden of Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Richerson Funeral Home.

The infant was born March 13 in Scottsbluff, Neb., and died the same day.

Survivors in addition to the parents include a brother, Shawn Prestidge, of the home; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Holland, Bridgeport; Vergil Wittington, Portland, Ore.; and Mrs. and Mrs. Clarence Dunlap, Scottsbluff, Neb.; and paternal grandparents, Margie Prestidge, Pampa, and Carroll Prestidge, Shamrock.

GERALD DEAN TATE
McLEAN - Services for Gerald Dean Tate, 49, who lived 2½ miles south of McLean, were at 10 a.m. today in McLean First United Methodist Church with Rev. Billy Wilson, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home.

Mr. Tate died at 1 a.m. Tuesday.

Born at Phillips on Aug. 8, 1937, he moved to McLean in 1943 from Phillips. He married Emma Jean McMullin on Sept. 8, 1962 in Lela. He was a welder for Chevron Oil and Gas. Mr. Tate was a 1956 graduate of McLean High School and a 1960 graduate of Texas Tech University. Active in civic affairs, he was a former McLean Independent School District trustee and was serving on the Gray County Farmers Market Steering Committee. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in McLean.

Survivors include his wife, Emma Jean, of the home; a son, Mark Tate, McLean; two daughters, Lee Ann Tate and Kara Lynn Tate, both of McLean; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.O. Tate, McLean; two brothers, Orphus Tate, Decatur, and Harry Tate, Houston; and a sister, Nancy Masters, Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be made to the Gray County 4-H program.

EVA MAE HUMPHREY
 Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors for Eva Mae Humphrey, 81, who died Tuesday.

Mrs. Humphrey was born Jan. 16, 1906 at Clarksville. She moved to Pampa in 1977 from Houston. She was married to the late Ray Thompson, who died in 1973. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include a son, Robert Lee Thompson, Pampa; and two granddaughters, Stephanie Thompson, Hobbs, N.M., and Mary Nell Smith, Houston.

Hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions

Melba Brown, Pampa
 Darrell Coffman, Pampa
 Earl Collins, Pampa
 Dolores Gardner, Pampa
 Edwin Lick, Skellytown
 J.W. Lunsford, Miami
 Charlynn Mulkey, Pampa
 Rose Rasmussen, Pampa
 Izola Roberts, Pampa

Dismissals
 Walter Austin, Pampa
 Carl Cantrell, Pampa
 Eula Godfrey, McLean
 Violet Johnson, Pampa
 Pearl Nice, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions

Virginia Cadra, Shamrock
Dismissals
 LaDonna Bradley and infant, McLean
 Jesse Smith, Wheeler
 Irma Finley, Shamrock

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Rasmussen, Pampa, a girl

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, March 17
 Driving while intoxicated suspects were reported in the 1000 block of South Barnes and the 800 block of South Cuyler.

An individual wanted by the Texas Department of Public Safety, Brownwood, was reported in Pampa.

Lalla Davis, 1234 Mary Ellen, reported aggravated assault in the parking lot at Randy's Jack and Jill, 401 N. Ballard; Davis was stabbed in the thigh with a hypodermic needle.

WEDNESDAY, March 18
 Driving while intoxicated suspects were reported in the 300 and 500 blocks of South Cuyler.

Traffic offenses, unlawfully carrying a weapon, possession of marijuana, minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage, possession of burglary tools and carrying a prohibited weapon all were alleged in the 400 block of West Foster.

Arrests-City Jail
TUESDAY, March 17
 James Lee Smith, 24, Canadian, was arrested at McCullough and Barnes on charges of speeding, driving left of center, making a wide left turn, driving while intoxicated and two Texas Department of Public Safety warrants.

Marion Graves Waters, 36, Star Route 2, was arrested in the 700 block of South Cuyler on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to maintain a single lane; Waters was later released on bond.

WEDNESDAY, March 18
 Benito Rodriguez, 32, 506 E. Foster, was arrested in the 300 block of South Cuyler on charges of driving while intoxicated and driving left of center.

Patrick Michael Clavin, 29, Lefors, was arrested in the 1200 block of South Barnes on charges of driving while intoxicated, making an improper turn wide right, failure to maintain a single lane and driving on the wrong side of the roadway; Clavin was later released on bond.

James Duane Reed, 19, 1105 Juniper, was arrested in the 400 block of West Foster on three charges of speeding and charges of no drivers license on person, unsafe backing, failure to stop for emergency equipment, failure to maintain financial responsibility, running a red light, exhibition of acceleration backward, exhibition of acceleration forward, minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage, possession of less than two ounces of marijuana, unlawfully carrying a weapon, possession of burglary tools and carrying a prohibited weapon.

Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa	Chevron.....57	up 1/2
	DIA.....15 1/2	NC
	Enron.....46	up 1/4
	Halliburton.....35 1/4	up 1/8
	HCA.....35 1/2	NC
	Ingersoll-Rand.....77 1/2	up 1/8
	Kerr-McGee.....35 1/4	up 1/8
	Mape.....62 1/2	up 1/4
	Mesa Ltd.....16 1/4	up 1/4
	Mobil.....48 1/4	up 1/4
	Penney's.....96 1/4	up 1/4
	Phillips.....15 1/2	up 1/4
	SLB.....29 1/4	up 1/4
	SFS.....29 1/4	up 1/4
	Tenneco.....49	dn 1/4
	Texaco.....35 1/4	up 1/4
	London Gold.....466.40	
	Silver.....5.80	

Fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported no fire runs in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no traffic accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Miami

"Miami is a tough community to work in," Witcher said. "Mainly it's being a new teacher. The school is used to good teachers."

Part of the pressure came from dwindling interest in band from older students. Of the 35 students enrolled in band at the start of the year, only eight are in grades 9-12.

One older band student indicated that the attention that must be paid to the younger students results in a limited variety of music that more experienced students need to play in order to grow.

"The kids are talented, and they're a great bunch," Witcher said. "But they have a lot of competition with other activities. We're getting a drama department, an art department. Athletics. It's very hard to have a band program."

Witcher said one of his accomplishments was improvement of

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the elementary band program. "They played high school material at our latest concert," he said.

The mother of one of those sixth-graders, Band Booster President Debbie Stribling, agrees.

"Between the Christmas concert and the spring concert, I could see a big improvement in the performance," Stribling said. "He's been trying to build interest in these kids, too."

One of Witcher's goals this year has been to take the band to the Festival of Bands competition in Colorado Springs May 7-9. Band Boosters and students have sold sweat shirts and conducted a volleyball tournament and a benefit basketball game to raise funds for the trip.

Stribling said so far the band has raised \$2,300 toward the trip.

Witcher's letter added "if I could have one request, it would be that the instrumental music program in Miami might remain intact and grow to the greatness which it once knew."

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Drama

tees' vote.

"I have no comment on it. It's no big deal," Pollard said.

Lostracco did not have his teacher's certificate when Canadian trustees hired him three years ago. It was his first teaching job, and he lacked 45 hours college credit toward obtaining his teaching certificate. He was granted an emergency teaching permit from the TEA. School trustees at that time worked out a plan with Prairie View A&M University in which Lostracco would earn 39 college hours plus six hours of student teaching by August 1987.

A spokesman for the teacher certification division of the TEA said Tuesday that the TEA emergency permit is issued at the request of the school district and is good for one school year, as long as the teacher completes at least six hours toward his certification.

George Dugger, director of programs for the TEA teacher certification division, said schools are allowed to renew the annual emergency permit for another two years.

He added that the TEA has no record on how many hours the teacher has yet to complete.

As of Monday, Lostracco said he lacked 27 hours toward his certification. His third and final emergency permit expires in August.

The school board's split vote Monday came after public uproar over Lostracco's omission from teacher contract renewals the week before.

School patrons packed the school offices while the board met in executive session Monday.

Pollard said he did not know how many people attended the meeting: "We were in executive session behind closed doors."

The superintendent denied pat-

ron allegations that he had wanted Lostracco to resign.

"We've had a good relationship," Pollard said. "He was very good at drama and speech."

In his first two years at Canadian, Lostracco brought his one-act plays to post-district competition. In 1985, he advanced to area competition with the anti-war drama *Mother Courage and Her Children* and to regional in 1986 with *A Company of Wayward Souls*. Under his direction, Canadian students have swept area speech and literary contests.

CHS drama students have presented musicals for the past two years, even though the district has no vocal music department.

Lostracco said Tuesday that he is glad to be able to return to Canadian for 1988.

"I'm just happy I'm going to be teaching here," Lostracco said. "This is the best bunch of kids in the world."

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Reins

our working together for the benefit of our young people," he said.

Griffith said he was excited about coming to Pampa and impressed with the school board and with what he saw of the community during his interview March 8. He said his decision to leave Ingram didn't come lightly.

"I like it where I'm at," he said. "It's with a lot of tears that we're going to leave there."

Griffith will come to Pampa with his wife Sally and two school-age children, Michael and Nicole.

The new superintendent began his career in 1974 as a teacher in the Austin school system and later was named principal at Alamo Heights High School in San Antonio. After working for several years with the U.S. Department of Education re-

gional office in Dallas and with the Texas Education Agency in Austin, he was named superintendent at Ingram in 1983.

Ingram is a Class AA district adjacent to Kerrville, about 70 miles northwest of San Antonio. School officials said Tuesday that they have little concern about Griffith's ability to adjust to a larger school system.

Griffith holds a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Illinois and both his master's and doctorate degrees in educational administration from the University of Texas.

In other action Tuesday, trustees:

- passed on first reading a policy change eliminating the requirement for physicals for students new to the district;
- agreed to waive gymnasium usage fees for the Top of Texas Kiwanis Club's annual volleyball tournament next month;

City Briefs

CUT AND GO, \$7 Thursday evening only. March 19, 4 p.m.-9 p.m. Steve and Stars. 701 N. Hobart. 665-8958. Adv.

COMPUTERIZED MONOGRAMMING on shirts, towels, etc. Handmade baby items. Helium Balloon bouquets from \$7.50. Many other gifts at Buttons, Bows and Balloons by Lynette Smith. 220 Elsie, Panhandle 537-3064. Adv.

1 YEAR Anniversary Sale! Thursday, Friday, Saturday. It's all on sale! The Pair Tree. Adv.

TOP OF TEXAS 1064 OES meeting Thursday night, 7:30 p.m.

INCOME TAX & Professional Services, Don M. Edwards, 109 W. Foster, 665-5305. Adv.

ALL SILVER and Gold Shoes 20% Off. The Pair Tree. Adv.

THE FINANCIAL Aid Director for Clarendon College will be at the Pampa Center Thursday, March 19, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. for advice on financial help to go to any college. Adv.

MOVING SALE: Washer, dryer, deep freeze. Everything goes. Thru Sunday. 520 N. Faulkner. Adv.

PAMPA SHRINE Club regular meeting, Friday, 7 p.m. Covered dish. President James Washington.

DECORATED SWEAT Shirts, \$12. The Pair Tree. Adv.

THE ORGANIZED Pampa Federal Credit Union will hold its annual meeting Thursday, March 19, 1987 at 1800 Lynn at 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Adv.

FILL YOUR own bottles. 20¢ a gallon. Culligan, 665-5729, 314 S. Starkweather. Adv.

KIWANIS CLUB Fertilizer: 20 pound bag with weed killer, \$10. 50 pound bag without weed killer, \$9. Call 665-5321 or 665-8677 or 665-1665 or 669-6443. Adv.

NOWTAKING orders for bottle water delivery. Home or Office. Culligan, 665-5729, 314 S. Starkweather. Adv.

MEALS on WHEELS 669-1007, P.O. Box 939. Adv.

FRESH EGGS for sale. 665-4772. Adv.

PARENTS MEETING "Planning 8th Grade Party". March 19, 7 p.m. Highland Christian Church. Debbie Middleton 665-2247, Patty Hudson 665-1937. Interested parents welcome. Adv.

Weather focus

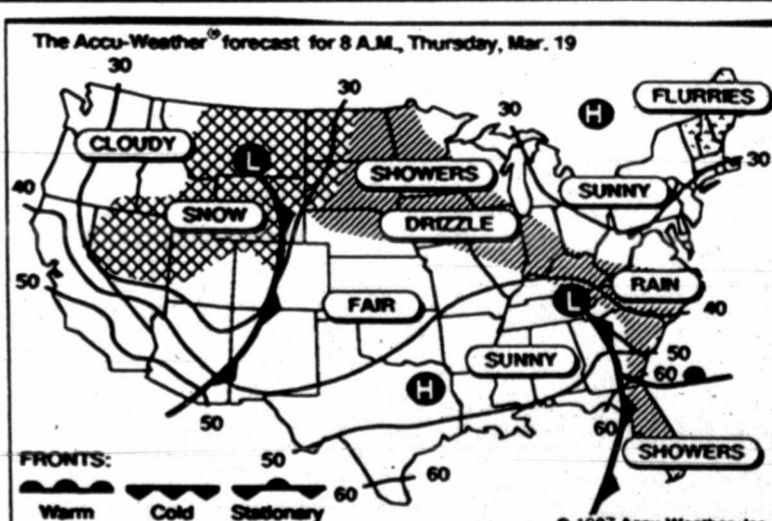
LOCAL FORECAST
 Mostly cloudy and warmer Thursday with a high in the 60s. Low tonight in the 40s. South-southwesterly winds at 10 to 20 mph. High Tuesday, 43; low this morning, 31. Pampa received 0.05 inch of precipitation during the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m.

REGIONAL FORECAST
West Texas - Mostly fair and warmer through Thursday. Low tonight near 30. Panhandle and mountains to low 40s south. Highs Thursday 60s mountains and Panhandle to near 80 valleys of southwest.

North Texas - Mostly clear tonight and Thursday. Low tonight 38 northwest to 48 southeast. Highs Thursday 73 to 78.

South Texas - Fair to partly cloudy and warmer Thursday. Mostly clear tonight. Low tonight in the mid 40s Hill Country to low 60s lower coast. Highs Thursday 70s to near 80 north to the 80s south except mid 70s upper coast.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Friday through Sunday
West Texas - Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms Friday. Fair Saturday and Sunday. Slightly below seasonal normal tempera-



tures through Sunday. Panhandle and South Plains, high from near 60 to mid 60s. Lows from mid to upper 30s. Concho Valley, Permian Basin and far west, high from upper 60s to mid 70s. Lows from near 40 to mid 40s.

North Texas - Chance of showers or thunderstorms west Friday and east Saturday otherwise little or no rain expected. Lows will be in the middle 40s to lower 50s. Highs will be in the upper 60s to middle 70s.

South Texas - Increasing clouds Friday with a chance of showers, mainly north. Mostly cloudy Saturday with a chance of thunderstorms most sec-

tions. mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms east and south Sunday. Partly cloudy elsewhere. Lows from the 50s north to the 60s south. Highs from the 70s north to the 80s south.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Fair tonight. Becoming very windy Thursday with increasing clouds northwest third in the afternoon. Lows tonight teens and 20s mountains and northwest to the 30s south and east. Highs Thursday 50s northwest to the middle 70s southeast plains.

Oklahoma - Fair tonight and Thursday. Low tonight 27. Panhandle to 39 southeast. High Thursday mostly 60s.

Jobless

January rose 2 points from the 4.0 percent reported in December to 6.0. The labor force was 613, down from last year, with 576 working and 37 unemployed.

In January 1986, Roberts County had an unemployment rate of only 3.3 percent. Of the 644 in the labor force, 623 had jobs while 21 were looking for work.

Vance reported Hemphill County with a 7.6 percent unemployment rate in January, down only 0.3 of a point from the 7.3 percent listed for December. Of the 2,027 persons in the labor force, 1,872 were working while 155 were out job hunting.

With fewer people in the labor force from last year, Wheeler County's unemployment rate is dou-

ble that of the 3.8 percent reported last January. Of the 2,229 in the labor force then, 2,145 had jobs and 84 were unemployed.

Lipscomb County recorded a January unemployment rate of 6.6 percent, up 2.4 points from the 4.2 percent reported for December. With a labor force of 1,974, those having jobs stood at 1,844, with 130 seeking employment.

Lipscomb County had more people employed in January than were listed for the total labor force last January. But those not having jobs numbered more than twice the number without jobs a year ago.

In January 1986, Lipscomb County had an unemployment rate of 3.4 percent, nearly half that reported for two months ago. The total labor then was less, with 1,831 listed. Of those, 1,768 were working while 63 were looking for jobs.

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Clements pushes high court consolidation

AUSTIN (AP) — The elected state Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals should be combined into a single court with appointed justices, says Gov. Bill Clements.

The current system, in use since 1891, gives the Supreme Court ultimate jurisdiction in civil cases. The Court of Criminal Appeals has the final say in criminal cases. Both courts have nine members elected statewide.

"We're the only state besides Oklahoma that has this parallel system. I think we need one court called the Supreme Court of Texas that functions just

like all the other states except Oklahoma," Clements said at a Tuesday news conference.

"I'll bet you if a poll would be taken that you would find that probably 96, 97, 98 percent of the people of Texas have no idea we have parallel systems of courts and that the Supreme Court is, in fact, not supreme," Clements said. "We can have a better court system if we start right at the top and combine these two courts into one court."

His comments came in response to questions about his position on bills that would scrap the elected judge system in

favor of one in which judges would be appointed by the governor and later subject to voter review.

No lawmakers involved in that debate have talked about combining the Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals. Sen. Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls and sponsor of a judicial "merit selection" bill, said he was not happy to hear Clements tie that issue to the consolidation of the two highest courts.

"It would be a good way to kill judicial selection for sure. I would hope that is not the purpose or intent of Gov. Clements," said Farabee, who met with

the governor Monday to discuss judicial selection.

Farabee is pushing for appointed judges on the regional courts of appeals and the Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals. He has scrapped plans to push for appointed district court judges.

John Onion, presiding judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, said the consolidated court idea has been rejected in the past.

"He has resurrected an old proposal from the 1975 constitutional convention that went down the drain," Onion said.

He agreed that many Texans do not understand the appellate court system, but said that is no reason to scrap the current set-up.

"There is a lot of lack of understanding. But nobody makes an effort to educate the people," Onion said.

Clements said Texans aren't happy with the court system at the highest level and a consolidated court would be better. "It's a matter of the way you go about it and the quality of some of the people, and it has to do with an orderly process."



(AP Laserphoto)

Volunteer firemen carry Brad Dennis, 8, to an ambulance Tuesday after a tornado destroyed his family's home at Slocum, killing his mother.

St. Patrick's Day weather runs the gamut in Texas

By The Associated Press

Texas weather ran from one extreme to the other on St. Patrick's Day, with up to 10 inches of snow in the Panhandle and clear blue skies and 80-degree weather along the coast.

A tornado that hit the East Texas community of Slocum hurled a house 50 feet along the ground and resulted in the death of one woman, authorities said.

Later Tuesday, high winds blew an 18-wheeler on Interstate 20 over a guard rail and into the Trinity River near Forney in North Texas, authorities said. The driver of the truck, which landed right side up in several feet of water, was not injured, officials said.

Other twisters touched down in East Texas, causing no injuries, as stormy weather marched across the state.

An intense low pressure system centered in northwest Oklahoma continued to pump cold northwest winds across the Texas Panhandle, Tuesday night, the National Weather Service said.

As a result, snow continued to fall with accumulations ranging from 3 to 10 inches and winds up to 30 miles per hour. A travelers advisory was in effect for the area early today due to snow and icy roadways.

By 10 p.m. in Amarillo, 2 inches of snow had accumulated and more was falling.

Numerous roadways in the region were closed due to the blowing, heavy snowfall. U.S. Highway 87 was closed between Dalhart and Raton, N.M., according to area law enforcement officials.

A spokesman at Hansford County Sheriff's Department in Spearman reported "extremely heavy snow, less than a fourth-mile visibility, and the winds are picking up. It's wintertime all at

once," he said.

Radio station KRDS at Spearman reported that 10 inches of snow had fallen in the area.

Meanwhile, an upper level disturbance tracking across North Texas triggered showers and thunderstorms, some producing hail and gusty winds. Funnel clouds were also reported over parts of north central Texas Tuesday evening.

The remainder of the state enjoyed clear weather, the weather service said, with highs reaching 81 at Brownsville and 83 at Laredo.

One twister struck in the area south of Palestine, hitting the wooden manufactured house at about 6 a.m. and leaving only the base boards in their original location.

Kathy Dennis, 35, was pronounced dead at Anderson County Memorial Hospital at about 8 a.m. Her husband, Don Dennis, 39, was in guarded condition suffering from internal injuries, said Barbara Hart, a spokeswoman for the Anderson County Sheriff's Department.

Their children, Brent Dennis, 10, and Brad Dennis, 8, were in stable condition, Ms. Hart said.

Smaller twisters near Palestine and Maydelle blew down trees and billboards and damaged barns and mobile homes, authorities said.

A police dispatcher in Forney, who declined to give her name, said high winds and a little rain moved into the area about 6:30 p.m. but had moved on about 45 minutes later.

An area of wind damage was reported in the Allen area of Collin County at about 7:40 p.m. Tuesday. The NWS said the damage was caused by a small tornado. Others reports of wind damage were received from Dallas County in the evening, but weren't associated with tornado activity, the weather service said.

Officials ask appeals court to ease up on prison system

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Texas officials asked a federal appeals court to modify a court-ordered compliance plan to ease some of the pressure on the state's prison system.

But members of the three-judge panel gave no indication at the hearing Tuesday when they would rule.

Texas could face fines of up to \$800,000 a day because of prison conditions.

Assistant Attorney General Scott McCown asked the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to approve "flexible modifications" to a district court-ordered compliance plan and to more clearly define what would qualify as "substantial compliance" with the plan.

U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of

Tyler, in a Dec. 31 order, gave the state Department of Corrections until April 1 to comply or face the fines.

However, Justice suspended the fines Friday and set a hearing on March 31 to determine whether the state is now in compliance.

The state Legislature has been working to appropriate money and begin programs to improve the prisons.

Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox said Tuesday the state was moving toward compliance at all deliberate speed.

"We're going to try to get (the prison system) open and to keep it open," Mattox said. "We're certainly not going to operate an unconstitutional system."

Telephone rings, rings and rings some more

DALLAS (AP) — The postman may always ring twice, but a Dallas family says the telephone rings, rings and rings some more when an error is made in programming an automatic dialer.

The family started getting calls for Dennis Exberg at 6 p.m. last Friday and kept ringing periodically until 3 p.m. Tuesday except at night when they disconnected the telephone so they could sleep.

The message was the same each time: "Dennis Exberg, please call the message center."

The family said it received 68 calls over the weekend, 20 on Monday and 10 Tuesday. They called police Monday to complain.

"They were as close as 4 minutes and 45 seconds apart," said a family member, who asked not to be identified. "It reminded me of Westworld, (a science fiction movie) where the computers take over."

Senate names a conference committee on private prisons

AUSTIN (AP) — A five-member Senate committee has been appointed to review a bill that would let private companies build and run prisons for the Texas Department of Corrections.

Sen. Ray Farabee said Tuesday he would offer a proposal for the governor, lieutenant governor and House speaker, or his representative, to review prison contracts.

"I think Gov. (Bill) Clements has expressed concern because of past administrative problems in TDC that there be some final review of its contracts for a major prison, which is an extensive undertaking," said Farabee, D-Wichita Falls.

"And although we've built in a great many requirements and checks and balances, this seems reasonable," said Farabee, who is chairman of the Senate conference committee on the prison bill.

The House has not yet named its committee. Farabee said he had "a concern that corrections not be politicized. It is a favorite topic in political campaigns, and I don't want this concept to become politicized, so I did not favor simply having the governor as the final say or veto of private contracting."

"But I have no problem with a broader-based

committee, including the governor, to review the contracts."

Farabee said if a majority of the committee rejected a contract, it would be referred back to TDC.

In other action Tuesday, the Senate approved and sent to the House bills that would:

- Prohibit the required use of hand tools with handles less than four feet in length for farm labor, except for harvesting and transplanting.
- Provide emergency medical personnel and fire fighters free legal counsel against court claims involving official acts.
- Authorize peace officers to make arrests outside of their jurisdiction if the crime is committed within his presence or view, provided the crime was a felony or against the public peace.
- Allow sheriffs to contact owners of trespassing animals prior to impoundment.
- Establish certain standards for cities which regulate security alarms, with a permit fee of \$30. A penalty of \$50 is proposed for every false alarm over five at the same site.
- Raise license fees charged by the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

Students are out in full force

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas (AP) — Spring break is in full swing on this South Texas strip of beach but authorities say they've had few problems with the thousands of sun and sand worshippers.

In the most serious incident to date, three men were killed in a head-on collision south of Port Isabel and authorities believe two of the victims were students on spring break.

Jaimmy Ochoa, a radio operator for the Department of Public Safety in Harlingen, said the accident occurred when two pickup trucks collided on state Highway 48 early Tuesday.

Killed were Richard Dell Davidson, 19, of Meridian, and his passenger, Jeffrey Glenn Sowders, 21, of Morgan; and James McBride, 36, of Los Fresnos, the driver and only occupant of the second truck, said Ochoa.

The three were pronounced dead at the scene, he said.

Although there have been few major problems, police and paramedics say they've been working non-stop.

In the first 16 days of March, island police had made 438 arrests and paramedics had answered 62 calls between Thursday and Tuesday afternoon.

Most of the accidents and arrests were alcohol related, authorities said.

Leonard Callier, assistant director of the Harlingen Emergency Medical Service, said his island-based paramedics have helped at car accidents and numerous falls — from cars, pickup trucks and a hotel balcony.

Police Capt. Tommy Atkinson said between 50 and 70 students are being arrested and booked into the city jail a night.

That figure does not include arrests by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

Officers are working 14-hour days in this town where the year-round population is 1,100.

"They're tired, but they're hanging in there," said Atkinson.

A few students have been booked into the Cameron County Jail on felony charges, including burglary, Atkinson said.

"They're going to be delayed going home. They're going to the county jail and they're going to stay there until they post bond," he said.

Dick Bushnell, a spokesman for the South Padre Island Tourist Bureau, said there may have been up to 35,000 students on the island last week, and at least as many were on South Padre Tuesday.

That figure could hit 55,000 to 60,000 on Thursday, when Stevie Ray Vaughn and the Fabulous Thunderbirds perform in a free concert, he said.

"It's the sun, the fun," Mike Bennett, 23, said Thursday at a comedy show on the beach by Joe Piscopo and Jay Leno. Bennett drove 33 hours from his home in the Canadian city of Winnipeg, Manitoba, to spend a few days in the South Texas sun.

Spring break began early this month but hit full throttle this week with many schools in Texas and the Southwest on break.

Concerts and other festivities that add to the sun, sand and surf could help attract as many as 200,000 students to the island by month's end, Bushnell said.

According to Fort Lauderdale figures, an estimated 250,000 students are expected in the Atlantic Coast city, down from 375,000 in previous years, Bushnell said.

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Opinion

Let the bureaucrats look for better jobs

Bureaucrats.

The word inspires a vision of automatons methodically crunching their way through mountains of paperwork. Unproductive, blindly obedient to their rule-books, they set about their mindless tasks without zeal and without appreciation. How's a poor public servant ever to develop self-esteem?

A federal task force has been studying exactly that problem. No surprise here. Announcing its conclusions, the 19-member group said that "bureaucrat bashing" is driving competent people away from government.

Its recommendation? The same old refrain: Higher pay and more fringe benefits to soothe the wounded egos.

Will it never end?

Just recently congressional leaders pulled a couple of tricks out of their bag of parliamentary procedures and upped not only their pay but the pay of federal judges and top government executives. That action came in response to an earlier task force report that said the congressmen, among others, weren't compensated as well as they would have been in the private sector.

These are the folks who can't get a handle on the deficit, and who posture about the drug "problem" the immigration "problem," and something called the competitiveness "problem," but offer no workable solutions. For this they deserved a pay raise?

How did this latest task force, chaired by former Virginia Gov. Charles Robb, justify recommending even more pay raises? It cited the need to keep the pay of federal officials at parity with pay in the private sector.

This may sound like even more bureaucrat bashing, but there is simply no correlation between the work done in the private sector and what passes for work in the public sector. The private sector produces goods and services. The very definition of a public-sector job is to produce, not goods and services, but more government.

After all, if welfare workers accomplished the task they say is before them — if they actually eliminated poverty — they also would eliminate their jobs. There's little incentive for that.

Instead, the Robb task force concluded, these self-perpetuating paper-pushers spend their time looking "enviously to the private sector where their talents will be better rewarded."

What's wrong with that?



Stephen Chapman

Pinheads run the country

If you're a normal American, in the course of a day you find your path blocked by an unending procession of people you would prefer never to encounter again — sales clerks who confuse the appliance department with the lingerie section, drivers who speed down residential streets to shorten a 15-minute trip by 3.7 seconds, directory assistance operators who have to ask how to spell "Smith," auto mechanics whose creativity turns an engine tune-up into a \$1,200 repair bill.

My problem isn't that these people exist, although it wouldn't be a huge inconvenience to me if they didn't. And I don't torture myself with the hope that things are any better in Sweden or Chile or Japan or anywhere else. Presbyterians believe in original sin — at least they did when I became one, before they decided that what they really believed in was the combined legislative agendas of the Sierra Club and Planned Parenthood. Original sin is a way of saying that if the Bible hadn't told us man was made in God's image, we might never suspect it.

The doctrine strongly implies that auto mechanics are the same the world over. Maybe there's a country where people who perform unnecessary valve jobs are justly staked to an'hill in the desert, but if so it's probably some place like Iran, where all villainous energies are channeled into equally malign pastimes, like seizing hostages and burning American flags.

No, my problem is that though these types are present in every society, they actually have a hand in running ours. Under our Constitution,

anyone with the modest mental acuity and physical mobility needed to transport himself to a polling place once every two years or so, no matter what his defects of mind or morals, has a sacred right to a voice in the affairs of state.

You, devoted reader, may spend hours each week in activities conducive to wise decisions in the voting booth — reading books on current affairs, watching "Nightline," weighing the opinions of newspaper columnists. But on Election Day your vote is likely to be canceled out by the president of the local chapter of the Vanna White Fan Club.

In a democracy, you entrust decisions about war and peace to people whom you wouldn't entrust with cleaning out your rain gutters. Adlai Stevenson, when he ran for president, understood the problem. Told by a supporter, "You'll get the votes of all the thinking people," he replied, "That's not enough. I need a majority."

A recent poll, sponsored by the Hearst Corp., set out to discover how much the typical specimen of homo Americanus knows about the Constitution whose bicentennial we observe this year — the same one that enshrines his right to contribute his lack of knowledge to the choice of our leaders. More than a thousand people were polled, with lawyers excluded, presumably to spare the profession any needless embarrassment.

Apparently 200 years of exposure to the Constitution has not made an impression on everyone. The polls show that democracy is the political corollary of the jury, which, someone said,

consists of 12 people of average ignorance.

Almost half of those polled think James Madison's master work contains the phrase, "From each according to his ability, to each according to his need," whose real author was Karl Marx. Three out of five were strangers to the Bill of Rights. Half said the president can dispense with the Constitution during a war or national emergency. One in five thinks the police, without a warrant, can ransack the home of anyone with the bad luck to be related to or acquainted with a known drug dealer.

Apparently a lot of Americans mistakenly believe they are residents of Bulgaria, which may explain why they tolerate Ed Meese. But let's not assume everyone has heard of Ed Meese. Seven percent, after all, think the current chief justice of the United States is Earl Warren.

Worse still, the public seems unperturbed by the police state customs it assumes to be operative. The only encouraging sign is that 92 percent know that anyone suspected of a crime has a right to a lawyer, at public expense if necessary. For that we can thank T.J. Hooker, not our high school civics classes.

It's a sad fact that people like this are not only permitted but also encouraged to vote. Unfortunately, it's hard to think of a less unappealing form of government, since we can assume that a monarchy or dictatorship would merely concentrate in one person the defects now dispersed among the entire electorate. It's almost enough to turn you sour on the whole idea of having a government.



Paul Harvey

Taxpayers deserve relief

What the federal government giveth, the states taketh away. Watch the back door!

Illinois, Wisconsin, other states — before taxpayers can enjoy a reduction in their federal income tax — are proposing increasing the state income tax.

Under the new federal tax reform the federal government is returning to state governments a total of \$5.6 billion.

Some states are refunding that kickback to the taxpayers who paid it in the first place.

But nine states are not. They are keeping the money in state tax coffers to use as the politicians choose.

In Illinois this "hidden tax increase" may total \$100 billion.

In addition, Illinois' Gov. James Thompson is proposing increasing his state's income tax another half-percent.

If the states were to do nothing, their tax take would be greater this year — because federal tax reform has eliminated many deductions, leaving more gross income to be taxed.

And the more gross income will be taxed more by the states.

But in addition to that built-in escalation of state income, Illinois is contemplating an assortment of higher taxes through which the state hopes to harvest an additional \$18 million to \$20 million a year.

If these numbers sound too cumbersome and tedious to hold your concentration, that is precisely what the politicians are counting on.

And while Illinois citizens are asked to tax themselves more, the governor proposes increasing cash assistance for welfare recipients. His state has 862,000 people on welfare.

Illinois is here being used as one example of

the way many state governments are seeking to siphon off anything taxpayers have gained under federal tax cuts — and then some.

Illinois is being asked to levy entirely new sales taxes on dry cleaning, beauty shops, barbershops, care and shoe repairs and other services. The only exceptions are South Dakota, New Mexico and Hawaii.

But Illinois' Gov. Thompson recognizes that our total economy is becoming more "service oriented;" and the state must "accommodate" this change.

There will be a lot of lobbying and debate before his state approves any portion of his proposed budget. But it will be a cruel irony if our nation's much-vaunted tax reform ends up punishing the people it was supposed to help.

Taxpayers have waited for decades for some substantive relief. Maybe the only way to get it is to be on relief.

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Television series has no impact on opinion

By Ben Wattenberg

There is a Sherlock Holmes story where the legendary detective solves a case with an astute deduction about something that did not happen. "Aha, my dear Watson," says Sherlock, "the dog did not bark." — or something close to that.

Holmes was on to something. Keep your eye on what doesn't change. A case in point involves the recent week-long maxi-series "Amerika," about what would happen if the Soviets took over America. It was said that the series trashed the U.S.S.R. and would set off a wave of anti-Soviet and militaristic feelings here, harmful to the liberal foreign-policy position.

But the results are now in, and they are clear: One dog, no bark.

We are indebted to Dr. William C. Adams of George Washington University for this revelation. Adams directed a national survey that polled about

1,100 Americans before "Amerika" aired and then, to measure change, re-polled the roughly 400 of those 1,100 who actually watched much of the series.

One question Adams' survey asked was, "Overall, do you think the United Nations is doing... a good job... or a poor job?" (Recall, in "Amerika," the nasty Soviet-backed occupying troops traveled under a U.N. flag.) Before the program aired, the respondents voted 49 percent "good" for the United Nations. After the program, it was 50 percent, well inside the margin for sampling error. No bark.

The question was asked, "Do you think U.S. military spending is too much... too little... or about right?" The answers "before" were 45-15-39 in the order presented, and "after" were 42-15-42, again falling within the sampling error and close to results of national polls asking the same question. No bark. By the way, you

can interpret the "before" results as saying "a plurality of Americans are for cutting defense," or "a majority of Americans are in favor of continuing or increasing our already high defense expenditures."

The survey asked, "Suppose you had to make a decision between fighting an all-out nuclear war or living under communist rule — how would you decide?" The "before" answer was 69 percent in favor of war, and 72 percent "after," again within the margin of error. (Better dead than red!)

The survey asked, "Do you think Americans take for granted the freedom we have in this country?" The "before" and "after" answer resounding and similar: "Yes, take for granted," 80 percent and 78 percent.

In short, no change due to "Amerika." Moreover, this is the second such exercise undertaken by Professor Adams. In 1983, he polled "before" and

"after" the showing of "The Day After." ABC-TV's version of what would happen if America got into a nuclear war. It was supposed to be a very anti-military, anti-nuclear program. Unlike "Amerika," this one was supposed to be harmful to the conservative position. But Adams' survey revealed that Americans who watched the show did not change their minds about anything. Two dogs: zero barks. (My own view was that "The Day After" actually made a case for higher spending on civil defense.)

There is a moral to all this. It's not easy to change opinions in America. One program, or one series of programs, no matter how hyped, no matter how high the ratings, won't spin people around. Americans have strongly held beliefs. In our free society, with open information, they base their beliefs on the objective situation, on facts as they know them.

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GAO notes nuclear facilities violations, contamination

WASHINGTON (AP) — Several of the Energy Department's nuclear facilities have discharged radioactive and other hazardous waste in violation of federal laws, and some sites may be permanently contaminated, the General Accounting Office said.

Keith O. Fultz, a GAO associate director, told a Senate Committee on Tuesday that after two years of investigation "we still don't know the extent" of the pollution generated by the government-owned plants for producing nuclear weapons and fuel.

But "some of DOE's sites may be irreversibly contaminated," he said. Fultz said the cost to institute proper waste management and bring the Energy Department into compliance with environmental laws "will clearly be in the billions of dollars."

In testimony to the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, Fultz said that the DOE operations "have contaminated groundwater and soil with high levels of both radioactive and hazardous substances," sidestepping the same laws to which private nuclear plants and other industries are held accountable.

Assistant Energy Secretary Mary L. Walker told

the committee that the department recognizes that "there are many problems still to be corrected," at several sites, including Savannah River, the Mound and Fernald facilities in Ohio, at Hanford in Washington state, the Y-12 plant in Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Rocky Flats in Colorado.

"However, we believe that we are turning the corner and are now on a course which will lead to DOE becoming a model good neighbor," she said. "This course is not an easy, quick, or inexpensive one. On the contrary, it will be difficult, it will take years — maybe a full decade, and it will be expensive."

Fultz said the department "may never be able to rectify" the damage already done to the groundwater and soil at Savannah River. "Because of the extensive contamination, institutional controls and oversight at the facility may be needed for hundreds of years," he said.

Committee Chairman John Glenn, D-Ohio, noted that the panel had heard a separate GAO report just four days earlier which cited numerous concerns about the safety of the DOE's nuclear reactors. The GAO said then that four reactors had been operating at dangerous power levels for more

than six years, and DOE inspection procedures were less stringent than those required for commercial plants.

"It is apparent," said Glenn, "that DOE's self-regulation in the environmental area, as in the reactor safety area, must not be allowed to continue." Glenn plans to introduce legislation calling for independent oversight of the 18 nuclear-related facilities.

"We need to maintain our nuclear deterrent, but I intend to see to it that our people aren't sacrificed in the process through the poisoning of our water, our soil and our air," said Glenn.

Among the environmental problems mentioned by Fultz:

■ The aging Fernald plant in Ohio released 273 pounds of slightly enriched uranium into the air in late 1984, and "inattention to appropriate controls over water runoff ... resulted in uranium contamination in three off-site wells, one of which was used for drinking water."

■ While there is no evidence of serious off-site pollution by the Savannah River operations, streams on the property have been contaminated. The radioactive pollution in one stream was 750

times greater than drinking water standards, and some groundwater samples were 116,000 times greater. Moreover, "the possibility exists that some radioactive contamination could reach the Tuscaloosa aquifer."

■ DOE facilities in Colorado, South Carolina and Tennessee contaminated groundwater with solvents that registered as much as 1,000 times greater than drinking water standards.

■ Contaminated soil was found at six facilities and at the Y-12 plant in Oak Ridge, the Mound and Fernald plants in Ohio, and Rocky Flats in Colorado, the soil pollution had migrated to adjoining areas. The Y-12 plant "poses a significant public health threat," said Fultz. "Mercury from that plant's operations contaminated a stream bed and a flood plain. In some locations, the contamination is greater than 2,000 times background levels and over 150 times greater than the state's public health guidelines."

■ The DOE's Hanford facility discharged liquid radioactive waste directly into the soil, although federal and state regulators bar private plants from doing so.

House votes to make GI bill permanent

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House-passed measure that would make the GI Bill a permanent lure for enlistments in the all-volunteer armed forces is awaiting action in the Senate.

On a 401-2 roll call vote Tuesday, the House voted to remove indefinitely the current enlistment deadline of June 30, 1988, that veterans must have met to become eligible for educational benefits under the latest version of the GI Bill, approved in 1985.

Reagan administration allies in the Senate were expected to try to amend the bill to offer progressively higher benefits for longer periods of military service.

The measure also would give the program a new name, the "Montgomery GI Bill," in honor of Rep. G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery, D-Miss., chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee.

Since it was enacted in 1944, the GI Bill has helped finance college educations for more

than 18 million veterans, including members of Congress, who have served in the armed forces since World War II.

Montgomery said the 1985 version of the program had "played a major role in saving the all-volunteer force" by offering a profitable incentive to high-quality recruits.

But an aide to Rep. Jim Moody, D-Wis., who voted against the bill, said Moody was protesting a "lack of fiscal responsibility" by Congress in extending various federal benefit programs at a time of severe budget restraints.

The other dissenting vote was cast by Rep. Bill Frenzel, R-Minn. His aides said he could not be reached for comment.

The 1985 version of the GI Bill provides educational benefits ranging up to \$10,800 for veterans with a high school diploma who enlisted between July 1, 1985, and June 30, 1988, and serve three years on active duty, or two years active and four years in the reserves.

The House-approved bill would remove the 1988 enlistment deadline, effectively making the GI Bill program permanent.

Enlisted personnel who participate in the program make a non-refundable contribution of \$1,200 through payroll deductions, and the Veterans Administration pays the rest of their benefits after discharge.

Additional "kicker" benefits, financed by the Defense Department, are paid to personnel with hard-to-find job skills and those who re-enlist for an additional five years of active duty or equivalent reserve duty.

The House was told Tuesday that 84 percent of all new Army recruits are taking part in the new GI Bill program, along with 54 percent of Navy recruits, 64 percent of Marine recruits and 44 percent of Air Force recruits.

Rep. Gerald B.H. Solomon, R-N.Y., called the GI Bill the "single most important drawing card" the military has.



(AP Laserphoto)

Salem Junior High School is shown burning Tuesday night after an explosion ripped through the school.

Explosion, fire gut junior high school

MORGANTON, N.C. (AP) — Firefighters hosed down the smoking ruins of a school today to allow investigators enter in a search for the cause of a fiery explosion that ripped through the building as a basketball game went on next door.

No injuries were reported Tuesday in the blast at the Salem Junior High School that rocked houses for several blocks, threw the school's locked doors 60 to 70 feet and blew out windows and doors in a nearby elementary school.

Flames could be seen 10 miles away, witnesses said.

"I thought someone had hit the house with a car," said W.G. Biggerstaff, who lives about a quarter-mile away.

The U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms was called in to investigate by state and local officials because of the magnitude of the explosion, said Ray Robinson of Burke County Emergency Management Services.

"This explosion is not consistent with anything that should have been in that building," said EMS Director Nick Waters.

The 7:30 p.m. blast occurred while a game between teachers and Little League coaches was under way in an adjacent gymnasium.

The school's walls were left standing, but the interior was destroyed. About 70 firefighters brought the blaze under control about three hours after the explosion.

The blast and fire damaged several cars parked in front of the school and shattered windows in the gym, witnesses said. The explosion was heard up to four miles away, Robinson said.

"We were just about at the entrance to the school when it went off," said Dennis Leonard, who was driving to the game after it had begun. "We saw the fire come out the right front side of the building and heard a big explosion."

"We drove up there from stupidity, I guess," he said. "It was obvious that the windows were all blown out and people started coming out of the gymnasium."

"For no one to be hurt, it is very fortunate," he said. "As sad as this is, it could have been a lot worse."

Money from Iran arms sales went to group aiding kidnapers

NEW YORK (AP) — The kidnapers of Americans in Lebanon may have received some of the profits from the sale of arms to Iran, The New York Times reported today.

Manucher Ghorbanifar, an Iranian middleman in the sale of U.S. arms to Iran, used profits from the sale to make payments to an Iranian group that financed at least some of the kidnapers, the newspaper said, quoting unidentified U.S. officials and associates of Ghorbanifar's.

The money was ransom paid as part of the effort to gain the freedom of the American hostages, Ghorbanifar's associates said. But an American official described it as "payments for services rendered," the Times said.

It could not be determined if U.S. officials involved in the Iran arms sales were aware of Ghorbanifar's payments, the report said.

The newspaper's sources said \$2 million to \$3 million of the money Iran paid for the arms was

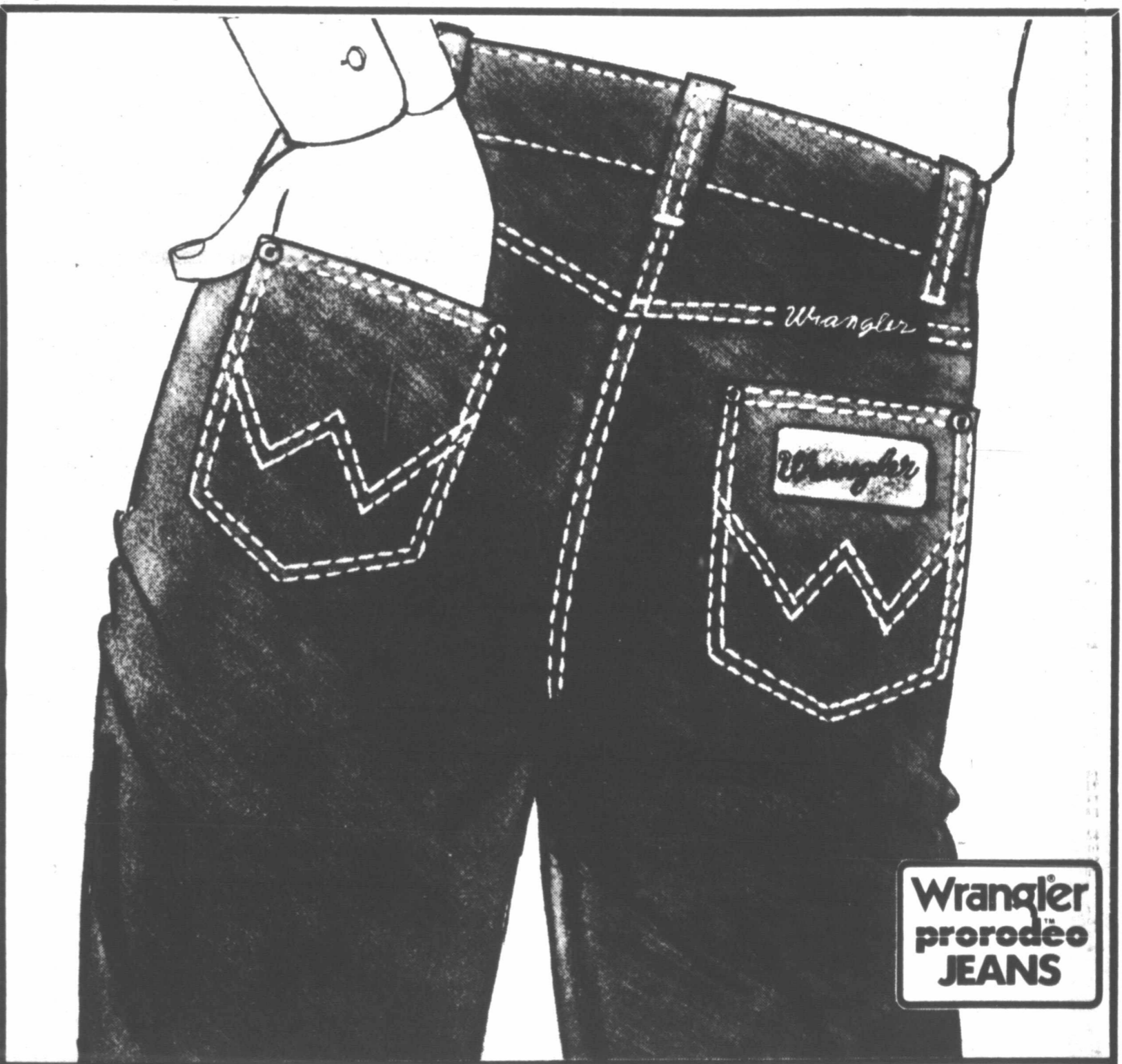
deposited by Ghorbanifar last year in the Swiss bank account of an Iranian organization, the Global Islamic Movement.

The Times said the group helped finance and organize terrorist groups in Lebanon, including the Party of God, the Shiite group thought to be behind many of the kidnappings.

Ghorbanifar told President Reagan in a letter last year, after the Iran arms affair had become known in the United States, that "substantial payments" from the arms sales would be made available to a group led by Ayatollah Hussein Ali Montazeri, according to a copy of the letter reproduced in today's editions of The Washington Times.

The head of the Global Islamic Movement reported to Montazeri, who is a protégé of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the Iranian leader.

The letter did not specify how much money Montazeri's group received or how it was distributed.



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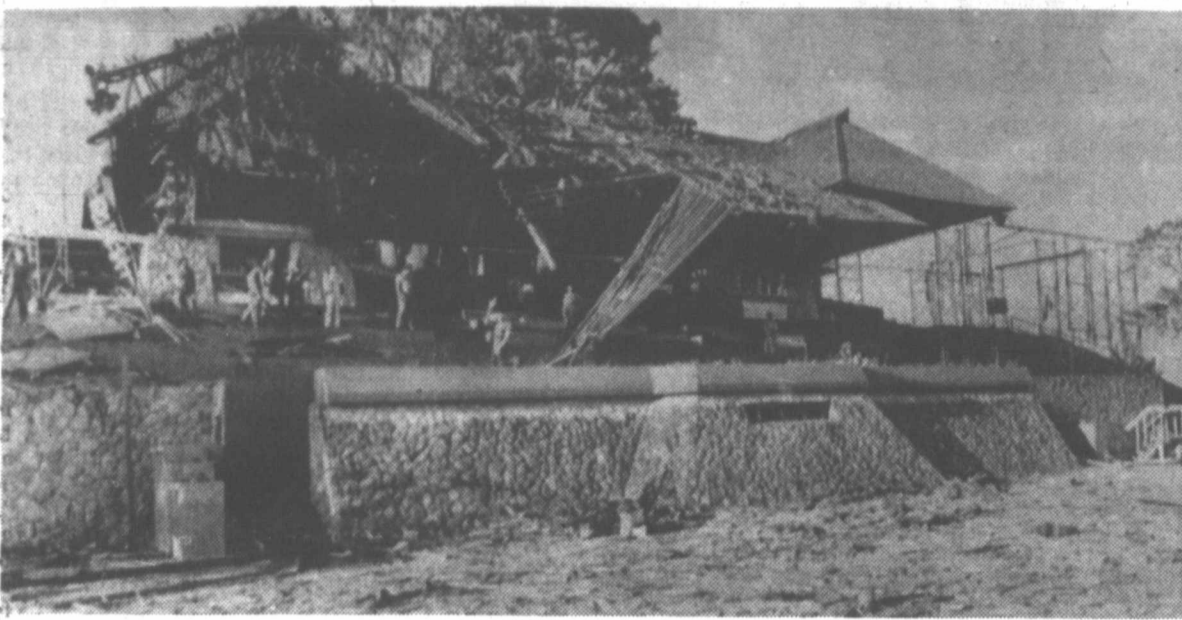
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Debris is scattered at the parade grounds of the Philippine Military Academy at Baguio City after a bomb blast Wednesday.

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Violence in the Philippines: Bomb attacks on the military

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A bomb blast today killed four people at the nation's military academy hours after Communist rebels ambushed a military patrol, killing 19 soldiers, the armed forces said.

Defense Department spokesman Ed Pangilinan said the explosion occurred in a grandstand at the Philippine Military Academy during rehearsals for Sunday's graduation ceremonies at which President Corason Aquino is to speak.

Lt. Anselmo Cabinggan, an armed forces spokesman, said one civilian, a colonel and two enlisted men were killed in the blast and 37 people were wounded, including 13 officers, 11 enlisted man and 13 civilians.

Many of the injured were seriously hurt, said Lt. Gregorio Catapang, aide to academy Superintendent Brig. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon.

Guards sealed off the sprawling, hillside campus and refused to allow reporters inside.

No group claimed responsibility. But suspicion fell on rebels of the Communist New People's Army who vowed to step up attacks on military and government facilities after peace talks collapsed in January and a 60-day nationwide cease-fire expired Feb. 8.

About 200 rebels ambushed a military patrol late Tuesday as it was returning to camp 100 miles

south of Manila, killing 19 soldiers and wounding seven, the armed forces' Southern Luzon Command announced today.

Most of the casualties occurred when an armored personnel carrier and a truck ran over landmines planted by the rebels, the military said. The guerrillas suffered no losses and carted off 27 automatic rifles after the ambush, it said.

Military commanders in the area were quoted by a private radio station as saying they would launch intensive retaliatory attacks.

The military academy, which trains officers for the army, navy, air force and national constabulary, is located in Baguio City, a mountain resort about 130 miles north of Manila.

Pangilinan said the bomb apparently was planted in the grandstand ceiling perhaps two days ago. Witnesses contacted by telephone said the explosion sent half the concrete overhang crashing down on about 100 people.

U.S. officials flew two helicopters with doctors, medical technicians and supplies to Baguio City from Clark Air Base, 80 miles to the south, to help treat the victims.

Mrs. Aquino told reporters she will fly to Baguio City on Thursday to visit the wounded. She said she has not canceled plans to attend the graduation of 149 cadets but will await a report on the attack before making a final decision.

U.S. prelates meet with Pope

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Talks beginning today between U.S. Roman Catholic Church leaders and Pope John Paul II will set the tone and agenda for his visit to the United States in September, a spokesman for the American bishops said.

"We are here to explain sensitive, controversial issues the church in the United States is facing today, so he will have good working understanding when he comes," said the spokesman, Russell Shaw.

All four active U.S. cardinals and 14 archbishops and bishops, eight of them representing dioceses the pope will visit on his 10-day tour, are expected at the talks. Five closed-door sessions were scheduled over three days at the request of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

In addition to the pope, the Vatican delegation is

expected to include Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the guardian and promoter of Catholic orthodoxy.

Shaw said the papal tour has an "enormous potential for good if it's handled in a sensitive manner." But he said it could turn out to be counterproductive if John Paul chooses to chide American Catholics for their difficulties in abiding by the church's teaching on moral issues.

"A more productive way is to encourage and commend them for their fidelity to the church," Shaw said in an interview.

Many of the United States' 52 million followers disagree with the Vatican's doctrine on sexual and family issues and its disciplinary actions against dissidents.

Saudi hostage freed in Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — A Saudi Embassy employee who was kidnapped in January has been released in west Beirut and appeared today in public, local reporters said.

Syria, meanwhile, was reported to have prevented pro-Iranian Moslem kidnappers from killing another hostage, Frenchman Jean-Louis Normandin.

Journalists said Bakr Damanhour, an employee at the Saudi Embassy's cultural section, was seen at a news conference with Lebanon's Justice Minister Nabih Berri and the chief of Syrian military intelligence in Lebanon, Brig. Gen. Ghazi Kenaan. Berri also is head of the Syrian-backed Shiite Moslem Amal militia.

The reporters, who spoke on condition of anonymity,

did not say who had been holding Damanhour or give details of his release.

Damanhour was kidnapped in west Beirut on Jan. 12, and no group claimed responsibility for his abduction. His release leaves 25 foreigners missing and believed kidnapped in Beirut, including eight Americans.

In addition, Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite disappeared Jan. 20 while on a mission to negotiate the release of hostages.

The independent daily An Nahar today quoted an unidentified political source as saying Syrian pressure prevented the Revolutionary Justice Organization from executing Normandin, and said this "could reflect positively" on Syria's plan to restore law and order in Moslem west Beirut.

Princess Diana meets Boy George

LONDON (AP) — Princess Diana was introduced at her request to pop star Boy George during a fund-raiser at a London night club.

There was no clue to their conversation as the two 25-year-olds chatted Tuesday night, the princess in a black tuxedo and cyclamen bow tie and the flamboyant singer wearing a white frock.

The princess, a pop music fan, is involved in work to help young drug addicts. Boy George, lead singer for the Culture Club, agreed last July to undergo treatment for drug addiction after being fined \$397 for possessing heroin.

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Florida man to aid in crocodile search

IRVING (AP) — Authorities hope a Florida native will be able to "call" a caiman, a variety of Central or South American crocodile, from a canal in this Dallas suburb.

First reports had indicated there were two 7-foot alligators smacking their jaws in a canal, prompting city officials to break out dart guns, snares and firecrackers and drag around some chicken.

But authorities now say they have determined that the object sighted in the canal is a 3-foot caiman.

Mark Potts, a Florida native offered Tuesday to help Irvin officials with his gator-calling expertise.

"You make noises like a young crocodilian in distress," Potts explained. "It's a kind of grunting sound that, believe it or not, pulls them into you."

The first report came a week ago when two boys reported seeing two reptiles they thought were alligators sliding into the canal.

No one paid much attention to the report until several residents of apartment complexes near the canal made the same discovery. "The first night I recognized him as an alligator was one night at 4 a.m.," said Brian Martin, who lives near the canal. "It went out of the water into some bushes on the other side and made a little squeaky noise, like chipmunks

talking to each other." City animal control officials first spotted the creature, some reptile tracks and muddy "belly-slides" last Thursday and posted "danger" signs near the edge of the canal.

Steve Asbeck, an animal control officer, said he spent a long night Saturday alternately dragging chickens through the water and detonating firecrackers in an attempt to scare the beast into shallow water at the end of the canal.

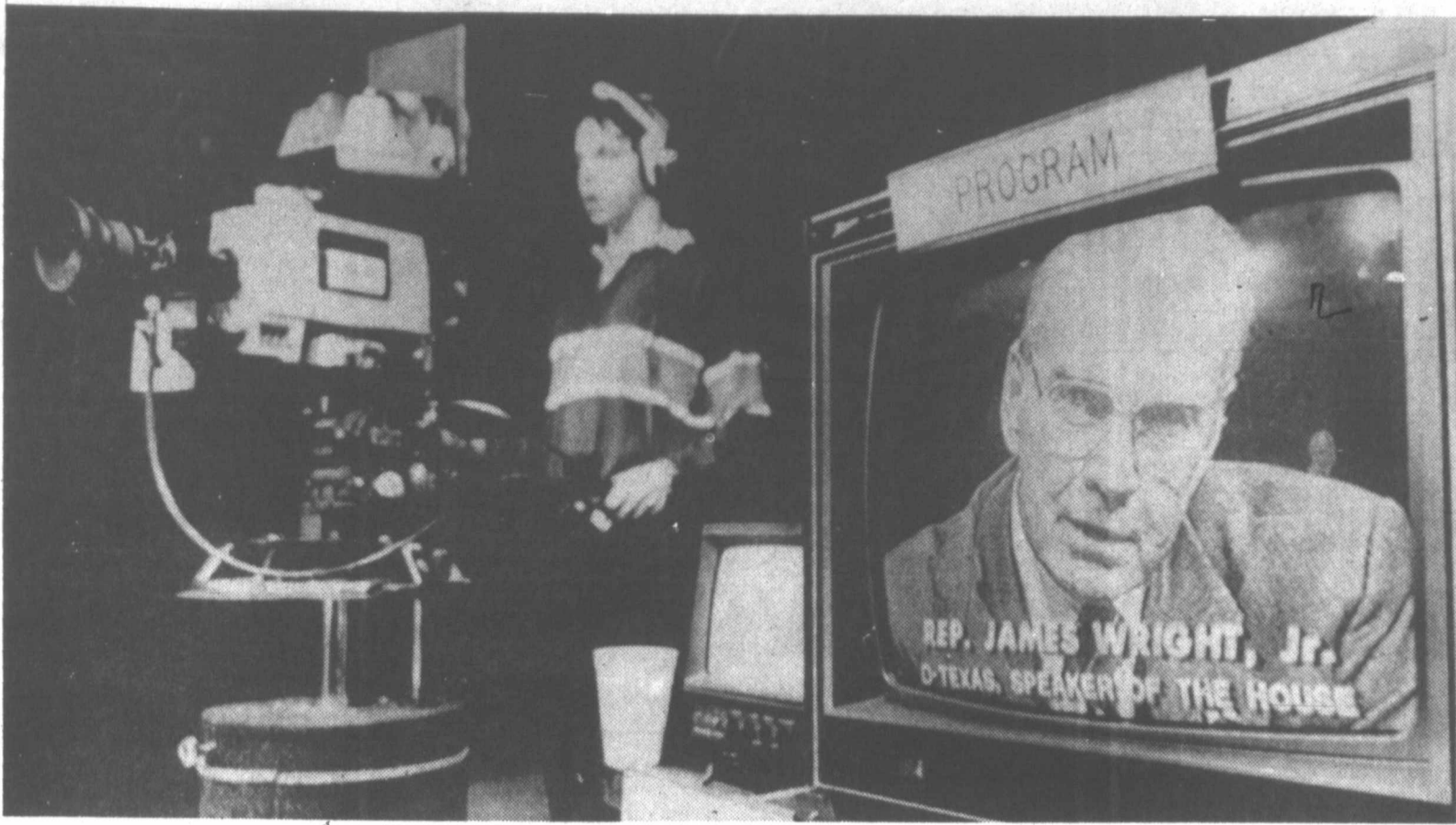
"We probably did everything wrong you can possibly do because we just didn't know what we were doing," Asbeck said. "(Potts) said the only way you're going to catch him is by stealth."

Potts, who says he searched for alligators in the Florida Everglades and lectured on reptiles for tourists at the Silver Springs Reptile Institute, is now an accountant with Teltech Resource Network in Arlington.

The Florida native says he believes someone probably bought the caiman as a pet and released it when it grew too large.

"When their teeth start to be oppressive, (people) let 'em go," Potts said.

Potts says he plans to attempt to catch the reptile by paddling around in a canoe, grunting and shining a bright light across the water to catch the bright red shine of the caiman's eyes.



(AP Laserphoto)

House Speaker Jim Wright of Texas appears on a monitor as a C-Span cameraman films a live television call-in show with Wright and Texas high school students in Washington.

Wright answers high schoolers' questions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some questions asked of Jim Wright by high school students in his home district during a live cable television telecast were easy hits for the House speaker, but others were political hot potatoes.

"What steps should the United States take to restore the confidence of other nations in American foreign policy?" asked Julie Joe, a senior from Fort Worth Arlington Heights High School, referring to President Reagan's Iran-Contra debacle.

Wright quickly responded that the United States has to behave like it talks. "If we are to be credible in the world, then we have to stand for something and we have to be consistent in our deeds in what we stand for," he said.

The half-hour program Tuesday night was

the first of its kind telecast across the country on C-Span, a cable television network that records daily goings-on in the two houses of Congress.

The youths who took part in the show had watched congressional action in their classrooms via the network over the past year.

Scott Baum, freshman from Southwest High School, hit the speaker with a zinger when he asked, "Has a severe breach of confidence between the U.S. and Israel built up due to the conviction of a U.S. citizen spying for Israel?"

"No, Scott, no it hasn't. There still is an enormous amount of trust and good will between the U.S. and Israel. That's a bond of friendship that couldn't be broken by the erratic behavior of any one individual," Wright responded, avoiding mention of the brewing scandal in Jerusalem.

Jonathan Jay Pollard, a former intelligence analyst for the U.S. Navy, was recently convicted by a Washington court of selling U.S. military secrets to Israel and sentenced to life in prison. Israel's leaders say Pollard was part of a renegade operation not authorized by the government.

A total of 14 students representing five high schools questioned Wright via satellite from the studios of Sammons Communications Co. in Fort Worth. All were part of a pilot program sponsored by Sammons called the Adopt-a-School program.

Since it began in September, the program has provided teachers at seven of the Fort Worth School District's 80 schools with taped broadcasts, information on programming and other aides for in-class instruction through C-Span's congressional coverage.

Walls of words surround Senators

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Library reading room on the third floor of the Capitol's oldest section is lined on three walls with rank after rank of Congressional speeches, 198 years of hundreds of millions of words.

Words of alarm and contentment, words uttered in peace and in war, in good times and bad. Speeches on Indian raids and Soviet adventures, on trade and votes for women, on agriculture, taxes, highways and dams.

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They are stored in printed volumes, bound mostly in the dusky red of the covers of the Congressional Record — the official account since 1873.

And the volumes are lined like soldiers on shelves that measure some seven-feet high and stretch more than 50 feet around the reading tables and overstuffed leather chairs in which congressional staff members research the issues of today.

But it is the opinion of Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas that the speeches, with a few well remembered exceptions, are not the effective engines of persuasion that some congressional ora-

tors think they are. They never have been, Dole told the Senate last week.

On March 12, 1806, Plumer wrote: "I have been for some time convinced that speeches in the Senate, in most cases, have very little influence upon the vote. I believe that in 19 cases out of 20, they do not change a single vote."

Speeches are not useful in explaining the contents of a bill, Plumer said, because all of that is better set out in the printed documents placed on every senator's desk.

And once the documents are examined, the really important work takes place, the New Hampshire lawmaker said.

What work is that? "We converse with each other and freely exchange our opinions," he said.

It is those exchanges of ideas, he said, not long-winded speeches, which confirm or change senatorial opinions.

"When a senator is making a long speech," Plumer wrote, "the chairs are deserted, and the vote is often settled in a conversation at the fire-side. The conversation is often so loud as to interrupt the senator who is speaking. Under these circumstances, it is often difficult for a man who knows he is not listened to, to deliver an able and eloquent argument."

Man charged with illegal digging at park's historic site

AUSTIN (AP) — A 22-year-old Austin man was charged with violating state law by digging in a protected prehistoric archeological site in an Austin park that souvenir hunters have nearly destroyed, authorities said.

Daniel L. Ross was charged with violating the Texas Resource Code, a class B misdemeanor, said Austin Police Sgt. Don Field.

Texas law prohibits unauthorized archeological digging in registered archeological and historical sites, Field said.

The site, one of 17 in the park, is believed to have been the seasonal home of nomadic Indians who lived around the time of the mammoth hunters, said Rick Fuszek, cultural resource manager for the city Parks and Recreation Department.

Fuszek said park police "taked out the 4,000-year-old site to watch for illegal diggers after severe damage to the area was discovered a few weeks ago. Unauthorized diggers have destroyed about two-thirds of the site over the past several months, he said.

Fuszek said the loss has been estimated at \$100,000.

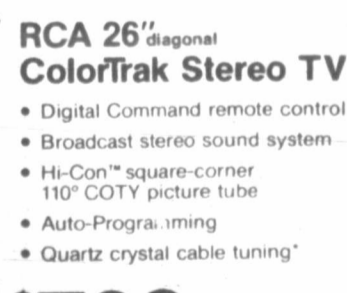
Several months of digging by many people has left the area pockmarked and has upset the layers of earth containing artifacts from different periods, Fuszek said.

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- 5 First copies (abbr.)
- 8 Iron coating
- 12 Beneficiary of a will
- 13 Motoring association (abbr.)
- 14 Hankering
- 15 Brilliance
- 16 Compass point
- 17 Italian greeting
- 18 Antenna
- 20 Phases
- 22 City in Oklahoma
- 24 Bear
- 25 Time zone (abbr.)
- 28 Recent (prof.)
- 29 Orchestra's location
- 30 Felt sorry about
- 32 Cursing
- 35 Racer
- 38 Hold an opinion
- 39 Farmyard sound
- 40 Pull
- 42 Fixed
- 43 Actor Vincent
- 45 Potato
- 47 By itself
- 49 fly
- 53 Down with (Fr., 2 wds.)
- 54 1002, Roman
- 56 European river
- 57 bene
- 58 405, Roman
- 59 Adam's grandson
- 60 British gun
- 61 Peer Gynt's mother
- 62 Hepburn, for short

DOWN

- 1 Ostrich
- 2 River in the Congo

- 3 Teller of tall stories
- 4 Tennessee Ford
- 5 Most masculine
- 6 Francisco
- 7 Woodworking tools
- 8 Type of finch
- 9 Public services
- 10 Burn in hot water
- 11 The ones there
- 19 Landers
- 21 Family member
- 23 Pegs
- 25 Married woman's title
- 26 Take evening meal
- 27 End
- 31 Of church district
- 33 Volcanic
- 34 Born
- 35 Universal time (abbr.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 37 Yule
- 41 Short for Augustus
- 43 Layouts
- 44 Science fiction creature
- 46 Actress Bo
- 48 Charitable organization (abbr.)
- 50 Salad fish
- 51 Rifle noise
- 52 Scottish-Gaelic
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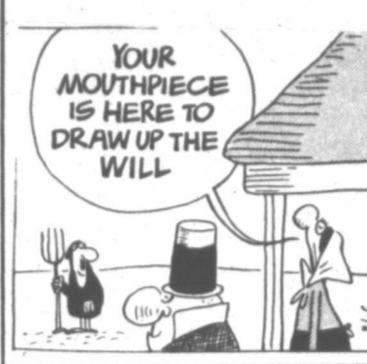
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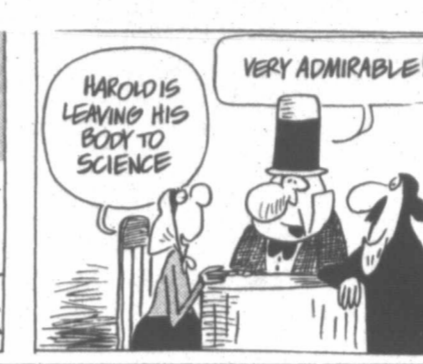
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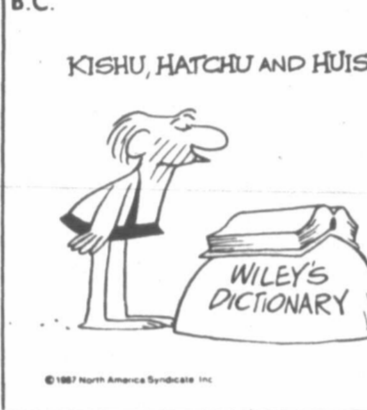
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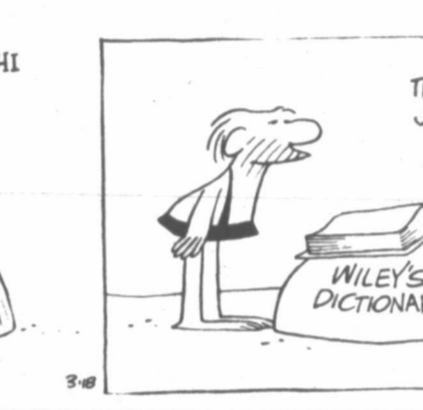
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Astro-Graph

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Thursday, March 19, 1987

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You can do whatever you set your mind to today, provided you don't leave important factors up to chance. Reason will work, a rabbit's foot won't. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Important associations will require tactful handling today; even those with people with whom you usually get along well. Uncertainty is in the air.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Usually Gemini is pretty good at juggling two situations simultaneously. Today, however, if you try this trick you might fail in both instances.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This is not a good day to take financial risks in unfamiliar areas. Be cautious, even if an adventurous friend encourages you to do otherwise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Family commitments should take priority over your other obligations today. Don't disappoint loved ones who are counting on you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's been said that life is the thing that happens while we're busy making plans. Should your schedule be disrupted today, don't lose your cool and make matters worse.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't get involved in activities with friends today that they can afford but you can't. You won't enjoy yourself if you have to worry about costs.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you may have to deal with someone rather unpleasant. Don't let this individual's nasty behavior cause you to react in a similar manner.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Unless you are earnest, it's best not to promise to do something for another. Impulsive commitments could severely inconvenience you when you're compelled to deliver.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Business and pleasure may not be a compatible mix today. Do one or the other, but don't attempt to do both at the same time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You're not apt to get the support from others for which you are hoping today unless there are definite advantages in it for them. Don't be selfish.

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By Tom Armstrong

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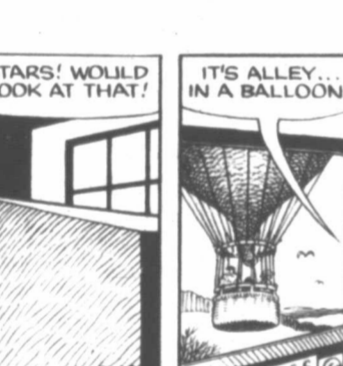
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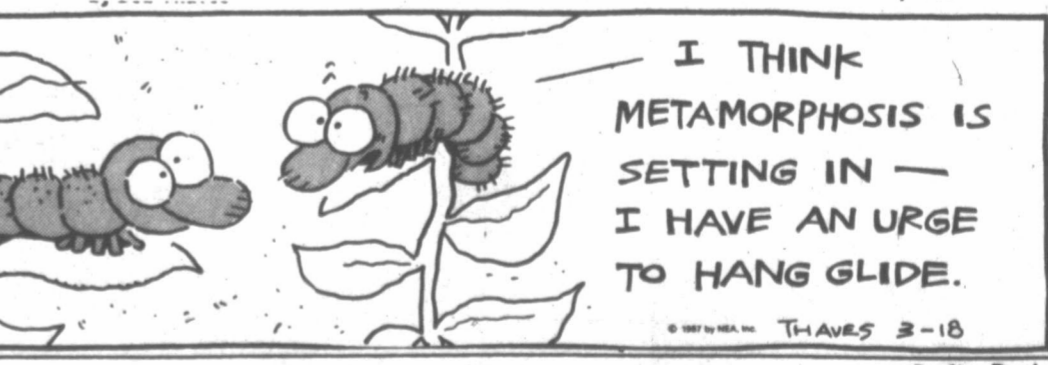
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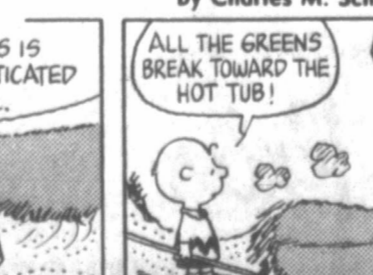


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All-woman Guardian Angels team patrols Houston streets

HOUSTON (AP)— Armed only with two-way radios and training in self-defense, members of the Guardian Angels' Amazon Patrol hit the streets at night.

Clad in red jackets and berets, the all-woman Amazon Patrol keeps a watchful eye out for muggings, stabbings, drug deals and other crimes.

"You'd really be surprised what's out here," says a patrol leader Rachel Suarez as she casts a glance at a transvestite dressed in a bright yellow skirt, high heels and a huge blond wig.

Members of the Amazon Patrol range in age from 16 to 33. Some are students, and some are homemakers, including Mrs. Suarez, who has two children. She has won trophies in Guardian Angels' karate tournaments.

The Guardian Angels is a volunteer citizens patrol group organized eight years ago to help fight crime on New York subways.

Six years ago, a Houston chapter was formed. Last summer, the group began its first women-

only patrol in an effort to recruit more female members and to target women's concerns, says chapter leader Kit van Cleave.

About a third of the chapter's 50 active members and 70 trainees are women. They sometimes patrol only with other women, but also are part of mixed teams.

The Angels normally concentrate their patrols on areas around lower Westheimer, a main street in Houston running through the Montrose neighborhood; the downtown entertainment district; and at rock concerts at The Summit. The group also patrols other areas on

request. Angels on patrol are allowed to carry only whistles and radios. They make no arrests. They call police when they apprehend troublemakers.

"We have good relations with the (Houston) Guardian Angels," says Houston Police Department spokesman Sgt. J.C. Mosier. "They're a viable unit, and they help us a lot."

Ms. van Cleave says Guardian Angels have two purposes: to serve as a visual deterrent to crime and as role models for disadvantaged youths.



(AP Laserphoto)

Bigfoot spends much of his day licking his 26 toes.

Mascot cat has more toes than legendary Sasquatch

By BOBBY STINSON
Killeen Daily Herald

COPPERAS COVE, Texas (AP)— Bigfoot, mascot of the Copperas Cove Animal Shelter, spends much of his day licking his 26 toes and dining on an occasional prepackaged sausage stick.

Not to be confused with the legendary monster of the same name, also known as "Sasquatch" to those of Canadian origin, this Bigfoot has yellow fur, walks on all fours.

Hardly a legendary monster, the Texas Bigfoot is a friendly yellow cat adopted by the animal control crew after he was not claimed, said animal control officer Cathy Groothoff.

He got his name after it was discovered he has seven toes on each of his front paws and six on each of his hind feet, a congenital defect. Cats usually have four toes and a dewclaw on each foot.

Bigfoot is apparently not interested in publicity. During an interview at the animal facility, while Ms. Groothoff explained some of his idiosyncrasies, the yellow cat settled into a file basket at the shelter office and contentedly began eating police records.

Ms. Groothoff immediately extricated the files from the cat's grasp and refilled them in a safe place. Bigfoot curled up and fell asleep in the empty basket.

She explained that police records are not Bigfoot's normal fare.

"He just loves to sit on paper work," she said. "He's just making sure we do it right."

Ms. Groothoff said that, sometimes when she works on weekends, the cat shares meals with her — sometimes chile cheese dogs, prepackaged sausage sticks, and an occasional apple Danish for breakfast.

In a pinch, he'll also eat cat food. She said Bigfoot demonstrates the normal cat-like traits at mealtime, including playing with his prey before eating it.

The last time he had an apple Danish for breakfast, she said, he batted it around on the desk top

before finally devouring it.

Shelter employee Clint Kaetzel said Bigfoot is slightly lazy. "He wouldn't eat if we didn't feed him," he said.

Ms. Groothoff defended the mascot, claiming he is just "laid back."

Bigfoot declined to be interviewed, but it is obvious from his demeanor and attitude that he has a mission and a purpose at the shelter.

Apparently he feels he earns his keep, being constantly on call in case his services are needed as a mouser. His most important duties at the shelter, though, are that of a conversation piece — sort of a "knickknack with claws."

Ms. Groothoff said Bigfoot, a very sociable creature, spends his evenings visiting the "inmates" at the shelter, sometimes just standing in front of selected dog cages, swishing his tail back and forth while the inhabitants bark at him.

He also spends time visiting the cat cages at the shelter, probably swapping hints with the other cats on the best ways to go about stalking things and maybe telling a few dog jokes on the side.

Bigfoot, although not always clumsy, occasionally has his moments. Ms. Groothoff said one day he was lying on a table, just licking his toes. Apparently, with so many toes to choose from, he got a little too enthusiastic and rolled over backwards onto the floor.

Kaetzel said the cat was brought to the animal control facility after a woman found him and called to have him picked up.

He was suffering from what was later determined to be ingrown claws. The shelter employees took care of his medical needs and grew attached to him. When no one claimed him, they decided to adopt him.

Kaetzel said Bigfoot is probably there for keeps. "I guess he knows when he's got it made," Kaetzel said.

He added that Bigfoot is not without aspirations for the future.

"His dream now is for the lid to be left off the food barrel some night," Kaetzel said.

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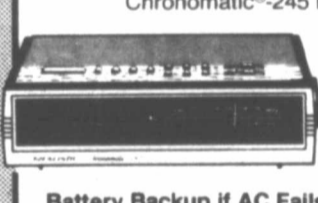
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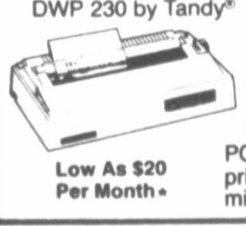
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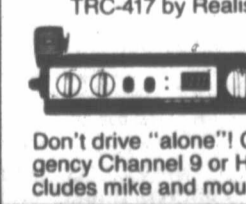
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Lifestyles

Buffalo roam to supermarkets, dinner table

AUSTIN — Once at the edge of extinction, buffalo today number 75,000 head, 80 percent of them in commercial herds destined for America's dinner plates. These shaggy, short-horned creatures, correctly called bison, taste similar to beef but are lower in fat, cholesterol and calories than either red meat or poultry. People with heart problems or those just trying to reduce fat consumption can eat the meat with-

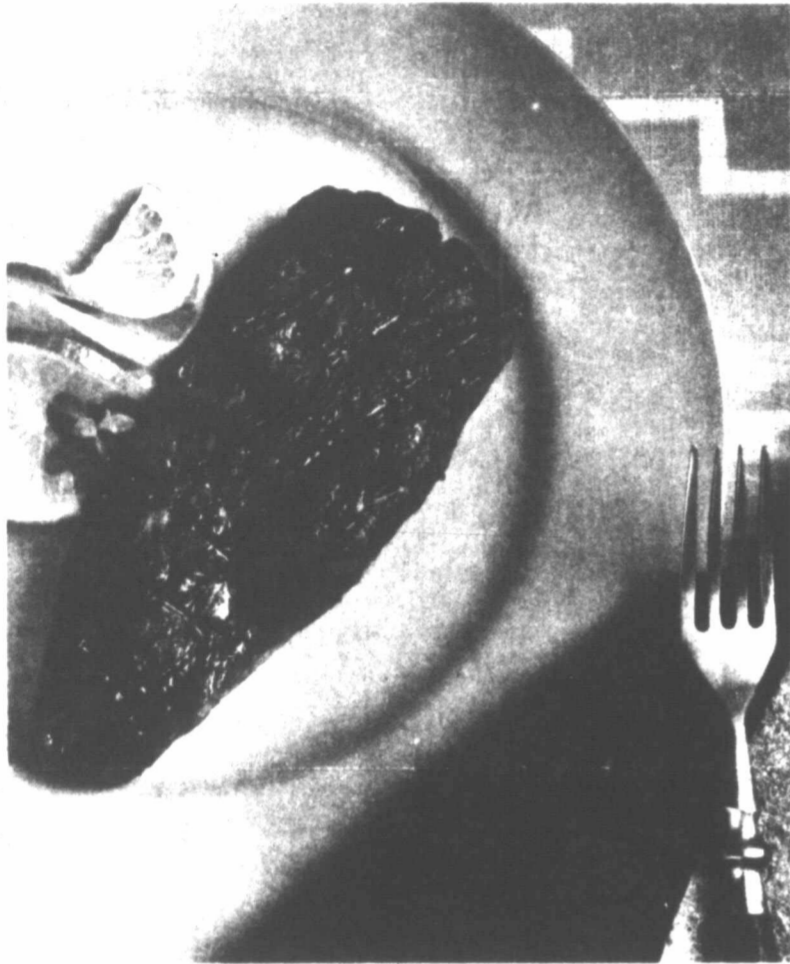
out a twinge of guilt. There are drawbacks. The National Buffalo Association, Fort Pierre, S.D., reports that 10,000 of the country's 60,000 commercial buffalo go to slaughter annually compared with around 100,000 cattle daily. Observing the law of supply and demand, retailers and restaurants often charge more than they would for a comparable cut of beef. An Austin market recently was selling

frozen New York buffalo strip steaks from Colorado for \$16.99 a pound. Texas buffalo is a lot cheaper, but in many parts of the state, hard to find. "For the most part, it is raised, slaughtered and sold regionally, reducing or eliminating transportation costs," said Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) home economist Carol Ware.

One supermarket chain sells Texas buffalo in five West Texas cities, probably the widest distribution in the state. The Food Emporium markets 13 cuts at prices ranging from \$2.59 to \$5.39 a pound in stores in Lubbock, Pampa, San Angelo, Abilene and El Paso. Two companies mail order buffalo. One, Texotic Wildlife Inc., Mountain Home, is raising a small herd on land leased from the LBJ Ranch. Prices range from \$2.99 for burger to \$6.75 for steak. The other, Cedar Mountain Buffalo, Odessa, offers a variety of cut including beef jerky, which retails for \$25 a pound.

The biggest buffalo producer in Texas is Larry Lee, Bronte, who grazes 200 animals on his 2,000-acre ranch. Lee began raising buffalo seriously about a year ago after calling Ann Granquist, TDA marketing specialist in Odessa, to see if it was economically feasible. "She said there was a demand, but most of the meat was brought in from out of state," he recalled.

That was enough to get Lee started. Within a year he was selling directly to a company in Odessa and to a subsidiary of Furr's Inc. for processing and sale at Food Emporiums in Texas and New Mexico. He mail orders buffalo under the Cedar Mountain label, and he recently agreed to deliver 2,000-3,000 pounds of meat a month to the Tigua Indian restaurant, Wyngs, in El Paso. In January Lee bought the Denver



This steak may look like beef, but it's buffalo. Commercial buffalo number around 60,000 head in the United States, 10,000 of which go to slaughter annually.

restaurant, Wyngs, in El Paso. In January Lee bought the Denver

fried steak was crisp and flavorful. It tasted just like any chicken-fried steak. The burgers, however, did not brown well, probably due to lack of fat and low cooking temperature. They also had a texture more like meatloaf than hamburger.

Chicken-fried aside, buffalo contains almost miniscule amounts of fat. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, fat content ranges from 5.4 percent in the loin to 8 percent in the shoulder. Cholesterol is low too, around 40 milligrams per 100-gram cooked serving, less than half that in chicken and several cuts of beef. Buffalo is raised without growth hormones or anti-



biotics, making it safe for people allergic to chemicals. Because buffalo has so little fat and marbling, it requires a lower temperature and less cooking time. Here are a few tips to ensure tender, juicy meat. When oven broiling, lower the rack a notch from where you would broil beef. Check and turn steaks a few minutes sooner than usual. Buffalo steaks are best

cooked rare to medium. Roast buffalo at 275 degrees F. Use a meat thermometer to determine the same internal temperature appropriate for a comparable cut of beef. Here, too, connoisseurs recommend rare to medium.

Buffalo burger also cooks faster, so use a lower temperature to prevent scorching. Because burgers hardly shrink, less meat is necessary for patties. Very slow, moist heat works well with less tender cuts.

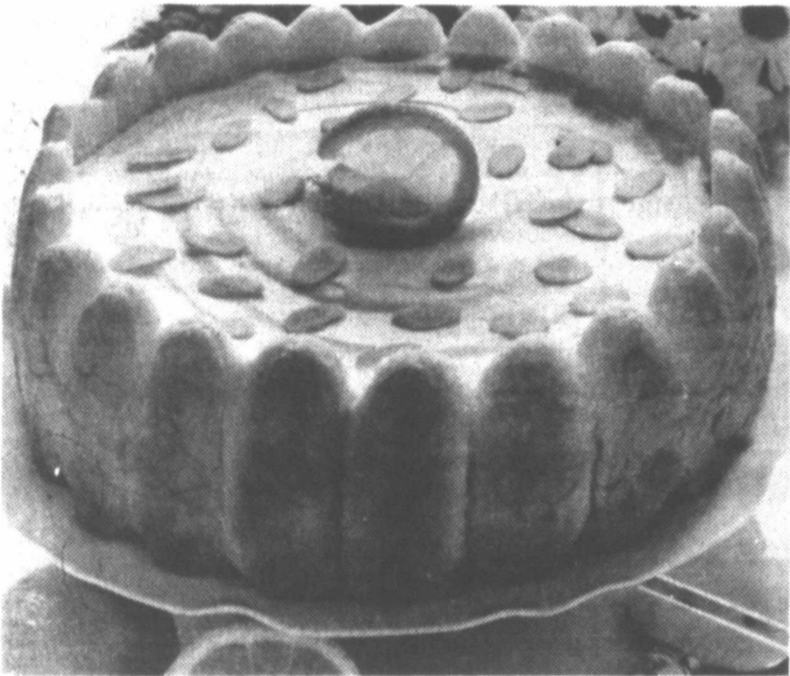
GRILLED BUFFALO STEAKS
 1/4 cup soy sauce
 1/2 cup Burgundy wine
 1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce

BUFFALO CHICKEN-FRIED STEAK
 2 eggs
 2 tablespoons milk
 Flour
 Onion salt
 Black pepper
 Shortening
 4 buffalo cutlets

Combine eggs and milk; set aside. Combine flour with onion salt and pepper. In large skillet melt shortening to fill 1/2-inch depth. Dip cutlets into egg mixture, then into seasoned flour. Shake off excess and dip again into egg and flour mixtures. Place immediately into hot fat and cook at medium to low temperature until crisp on one side. Turn carefully and cook other side. Drain on paper towels. Makes 4 servings.

BUFFALOBURGERS
 1 pound ground buffalo meat
 1 to 2 sliced green onions
 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

Combine all ingredients and mix well. Shape into four patties. Broil, fry or grill slowly until brown on both sides. Makes 4 servings.



Almond Lemon Torta, a light, make-ahead refrigerated dessert, boasts a lemony, light-as-air filling dramatically framed with ladyfingers.

Almond Lemon Torta is taste-tempting dessert

Light and luscious Almond Lemon Torta is a prizewinning recipe by Sylvia Schmitt, a travel agent from Glendale, Ariz.

The light-as-air texture, tangy lemon flavor and impressive presentation won the recipe its first-place position among baked and refrigerated desserts. It is an innovative combination of lemon yogurt, fresh lemon peel, almond paste, whipped topping and marshmallow creme, which lightly sweetens and insures the smooth, velvety texture. Framed with delicate ladyfingers and garnished with almonds and fresh lemon, the taste-tempting torte makes a show-stopping dessert finale.

- 1/4 cup water
- Two 8-ounce containers lemon flavored yogurt
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon peel
- 1 1/2 cups whipping cream, whipped
- 2 packages ladyfingers, split

Melt marshmallow creme in saucepan over low heat. Add almond paste, stirring until well blended. Remove from heat. Soften gelatin in water in small saucepan; stir over low heat until dissolved. Add to marshmallow creme mixture, mixing until well blended. Stir in yogurt and peel. Fold in whipped cream. Arrange ladyfingers on bottom and sides of 9-inch springform pan lined with plastic wrap. Pour marshmallow creme mixture over ladyfingers. Chill several hours or overnight. Top with toasted almond slices and lemon slices, if desired. Makes 10 servings.

- ALMOND LEMON TORTA**
 One 7-ounce jar marshmallow creme
 One 8-ounce can almond paste, finely chopped
 1 envelope unflavored gelatin

Add macaroni to beans

By NANCY BYAL, Better Homes and Gardens Food Editor

No wagon wheel macaroni on hand? Use elbow or tiny shell macaroni instead.

- CHUCK-WAGON BEAN SALAD**
 1 cup wagon wheel macaroni
 1 1/2-ounce can three-bean salad
 1-3rd cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
 Lettuce
 Cook macaroni according to package directions; drain. Rinse

with cold water, drain again. Drain three-bean salad, reserving 1 tablespoon liquid. In a medium bowl toss together macaroni and salad. Stir together mayonnaise and reserved liquid; add to macaroni mixture. Toss to coat. Cover and chill several hours. Serve in lettuce-lined bowl. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 284 cal., 5 g pro., 33 g carbo., 15 g fat, 11 mg chol., 595 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 14 percent thiamine, 22 percent iron.

Maximize meatless meals with cheese

It used to be that Lent brought out one's repertoire of meatless meals and thoughts of "giving up" something more desirable. Today, meatless meals are common all year round for reasons both dietary and economic.

In planning a meatless meal, the trick, of course, is to supply a healthy balance of proteins, carbohydrates, vitamins, minerals and fiber. The possibilities are

many. Pasta makes an excellent base, as it serves up a hearty helping of carbohydrates. Add vegetables for vitamins, minerals and fiber, and look to cheese for protein and all-important calcium.

A colorful combination that fills the bill is Linguini with Italian Cheese and Garden Vegetables. Nutritious as it is eye-appealing, the recipe can be pre-

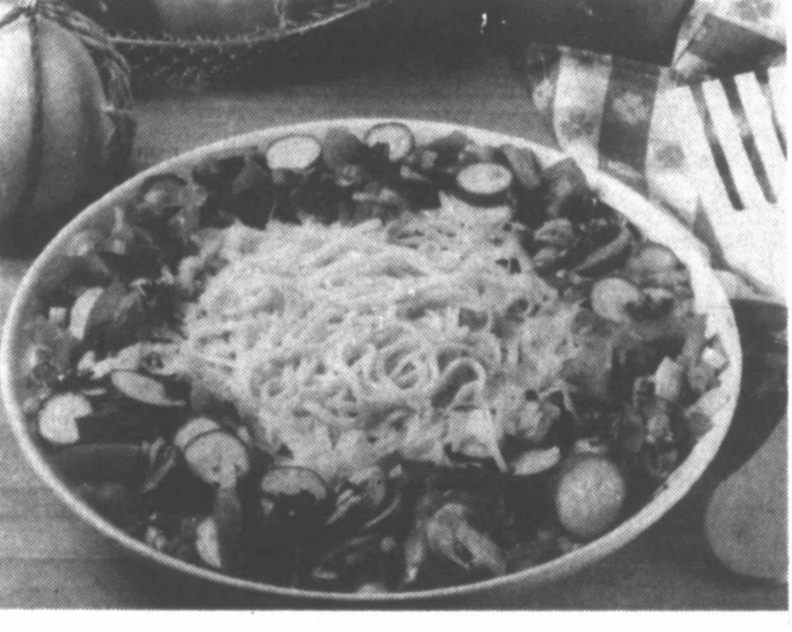
pared in under 40 minutes. As the water heats and the linguini cooks on the stove, the vegetables can be prepared and sauteed. Once the vegetables have finished cooking, just toss them with smokey-flavored Provolone and grated Parmesan cheese until melted.

Arrange the pasta on a serving platter and surround with the vegetable-cheese mixture. When served with milk, this attractive meatless entree provides a nutritionally balanced and satisfying meal.

- LINGUINI WITH ITALIAN CHEESES AND GARDEN VEGETABLES**
 Yield: 3 to 4 servings
 8 ounces uncooked linguini
 2 tablespoons butter
 1 small clove garlic, crushed
 1 cup chopped tomatoes (1 medium)
 1/4 cup sliced zucchini (2 small)

- 1/2 cup sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1-3 cup sliced green onion
- 3 tablespoons diced green pepper
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup (4 ounces) shredded Provolone cheese
- 3 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese

Cook linguini according to package directions. Melt butter in a large skillet. Sauté garlic until tender, about 2 minutes. Stir in remaining ingredients except cheeses. Sauté until tender, about 8 minutes. Drain linguini; arrange on serving platter. Combine vegetable mixture and cheeses; spoon around pasta. Toss gently just before serving. Serving size: 1/4 of recipe. Calories per serving: 380. Protein 17 g, fat 14 g, carbohydrate 47 g, calcium 308 mg, riboflavin .37 mg.



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Good Samaritan Services runs low on food near end of month

Food has been in short supply at Good Samaritan Christian Services, Inc., 309 N. Ward, an interfaith mission that provides food, clothing and other assistance to needy area residents.

"We seem to run out of food every month at about the same time. The new food list is announced in most churches about the first week of the month, and food comes in to the churches the second and third week. By the fourth week, the amount of food brought in is much less," said Bill Ragsdale, executive director.

"At this time, folks have used up their food stamps, and the requests for food increase just at the time that the food amounts decrease. So, we run very low again for the next two weeks," he said.

Requests for aid during February were down 15 percent from January, and requests for utility aid were down 9 percent.

Of 283 families requesting aid, 252 were helped, representing 861 individuals. Aid included food for

197 families; clothing, 70; rent, two; utilities, 51; transportation, 10; lodging, two; medical, five; and other, five.

Several requests for utility aid were turned down due to excessive utility aid requests in past months, or due to high income and no recent emergency expenses.

Gray County families totaled 253. There were 20 newcomers, three outside the county but within 25 miles of Pampa, and seven transients.

Five families were referred to Good Samaritan Christian Services by churches, 36 by friends and four by other organizations or agencies. Families returning for aid from previous visits were 238. There were six emergency after-hours calls.

Good Samaritan out-of-pocket expenses for February totaled \$4,208.09, compared with \$4,842.88 for January. February expenses were food, \$497.53; clothing, \$65.75; utilities, \$2,945.96; transportation, \$187.55; lodging,

\$33.38; and medical, \$134.92.

Pantry items dispensed include vegetables, canned meat, tuna or canned fish, peanut butter, rice, beans, powdered milk, soup, hot cereal, and macaroni and cheese.

Other items included bread, butter or margarine, sugar, can openers, laundry and bath items, paper goods, baby food and items, diapers, flour, cheese, fruit, frozen meat, cookies-crackers, and doughnuts.

Clothing distributed included 105 men's items, 110 women's, 159 children's and 13 infant's. Socks, white uniforms and linens totaled 43.

Clothing items needed by Good Samaritan include children's clothing, work clothes, any size jeans and tennis shoes.

The Good Samaritan Board of Directors will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19 at the Good Samaritan house. The Church of the Nazarene will be presented for membership.

Scottish Rite donation



Gary Boydston, at right, of Pampa Police Department, presents Skeet Wagner of the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital. The money will be used in the general operating fund of Pampa Scottish Rite with a \$100 donation to the hospital.

(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Smoke Detector Month



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Tom Wheeler, right, installs a smoke detector at 2101 N. Banks as Pampa Fire Marshall Tom Adams watches. The fire department has been participating in a national campaign to increase public awareness of the need for smoke detectors. The department will install smoke detectors at area homes through the rest of March. For more information call Adams at 665-8481.

Lefors students elect favorites

LEFORS - Lefors High School students elected school and class favorites recently during the annual balloting sponsored by the school's yearbook staff.

Named Mr. and Ms. Lefors High School were Missy Bowley and Norman Howard. Earning personality honors were Nita Gifford and Greg Finney.

Receiving top spots for popularity were Becky Davis and Kirk Kerbo, while Carrie Watson and Richard Hernandez took top sportsmanship honors.

Selected as class favorites were Melanie Nickel and Richard Hernandez, seniors; Terri Gilbreath and Jimmy Hannon, juniors; Julie Davis and Robert McDowell, sophomores; and Kelli Howe and Jarrod Slatten, freshmen.

The students will be featured in the 1986-1987 yearbook.

McLean sale opens Saturday

McLEAN - The monthly City of McLean Arts and Crafts Sale will reopen at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 21.

The sale will be held indoors in the factory building in McLean. The March 21 event will be a flea market.

Hours will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 21 and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. March 22.

"We had a very good response from the previous markets, and we are looking forward to many more, beginning in March of 1987," said Sam Green, manager.

For more information, contact Stella Lee, city secretary, at 779-2481.

Vietnam vet's breakdown soothed by stranger's touch

NO MUSIC, PLEASE

DEAR ABBY: These days when most people are understandably suspicious of strangers, I must relate a recent experience.

On Friday, Feb. 6, I went to the Countryside Theater in Clearwater, Fla., to see a matinee showing of the film "Platoon." Because I am a combat veteran of Vietnam, for me that film was so realistic that I found myself searching the screen for the enemy and checking behind me only to discover a theater audience.

When the movie ended I was so emotionally drained, I couldn't leave my seat. Something snapped, and I lost the control of nearly two decades and fell apart completely. I leaned my head on the seat in front of me and began to sob uncontrollably, crying for all the people who had been maimed and killed in that senseless war, crying for all the friends I had watched die.

Suddenly I felt someone's arm around me, and a woman asked, "Are you all right?"

I was inarticulate, but managed to say that I had been there. Then I looked up and saw that she was crying. Although I was crying for others, she was crying for me. I was stunned!

All I know about this stranger who comforted me in my moment of need is that she's about 20 years old, very pretty, and the people who know this beautiful, compassionate lady are lucky indeed.

PAUL MACAULAY JR., PALM HARBOR, FLA.

DEAR PAUL: Thank you for sharing that heartwarming ex-



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

perience. We need to be reminded that in these times when evil and selfishness grab the headlines, there are still people who are basically kind and caring.

DEAR ABBY: I have never seen my pet gripe mentioned in your column, so this may be a first: I telephoned a travel agency yesterday for some information and was put on hold. That was all right with me, but while I was on hold I was forced to listen to some lively dance music played at a high volume. I sat there holding the receiver to my ear because I had nobody to dance with, but I thought this was very inappropriate to say the least.

This morning I phoned a store and was put on hold to listen to some classical music — violins and wind instruments in a minor key. It was very depressing.

Abby, I do not need to be entertained while waiting on the line. I would like to know if I'm the only one who feels this way.

DEAR NO MUSIC: I'm sure you're not. This little ditty appeared recently in *The Wall Street Journal*:

A simple request
If I might be so bold:
Play me no music
When you put me on hold.
I may seem ungrateful
In making this stance,
But I've asked lots of phones
And none cared to dance!
— R.C. Shebelski

DEAR ABBY: I've read your column for years and do not recall ever seeing my problem in print. My future father-in-law is an alcoholic who hasn't had a drink in over three years. I'm having a dinner party and he'll be present. Would it be OK to serve a dessert that contains a small amount of alcohol? It's mainly for flavoring, so it might not be enough to worry about, but I want to be sure.

LOVES TO COOK

DEAR LOVES: Make a dessert that requires no alcohol. Even one drop is a drop too much for an alcoholic.

(To get Abby's booklet, "How to Be Popular: You're Never Too Young or Too Old," send a check or money order for \$2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents), self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Popularity, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054.)

Newsmakers

Steven D. Cook
Army Private Steven D. Cook recently participated in "Roadrunner 87," a corps-level command post exercise staged throughout a 16-county area of central Texas.

Designed to duplicate actual distances during combat, the exercise involved some 4,000 soldiers and more than 2,000 military vehicles.

Cook, son of Verne S. and Betty J. Cook of Pampa, is a military police specialist with the 410th Military Police Company, Fort Hood, Texas.

He is a 1986 graduate of Pampa High School.

Derek J. Coleman
Army National Guard Pvt. Derek J. Coleman, son of Gary D. and Faye L. Coleman of Pampa, has completed one station unit training (OSUT) at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

OSUT is a 12-week period which combines basic combat training and advanced individual training.

The training included weapons qualifications, squad tactics, patrolling, landmine warfare, field communications and combat operations. Completion of this course qualifies the soldier as a light-weapons infantryman and as an indirect-fire crewman.

Soldiers were taught to perform any of the duties in a rifle or mortar squad.

Coleman is a 1985 graduate of Pampa High School.

SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

Three Southwestern Oklahoma State University students from the Pampa area will spend the last eight weeks of the spring 1987 semester in practice teaching assignments.

Andrea King of Shamrock will teach in Kelton, Texas.

Juan Mendoza of Pampa will teach in Weatherford, Okla.

Crispin Bradsher of Pampa will also teach in Weatherford, Okla.

Francis K. Kitto

Francis K. Kitto of Pampa will

be honored at the annual Founder's Day dinner of West Texas State University's chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Kitty, a 1982 initiate, is being recognized for 25 years of service and membership to the fraternity.

The April 4 Founder's Day events begin with a reception in the home of WTSU President Ed Roach at 4:30 p.m., followed by an open house at the fraternity lodge beginning at 5:30. The dinner and awards ceremony will begin at 6:30 p.m.

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Sports Scene

Killingsworth closes 38-year career



Jim Killingsworth says goodbye to Carvin Holcomb.

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Jim Killingsworth gave Texas Christian Athletic Director Frank Windeger enough retirement warning so there can be a rapid replacement for 'The Killer' as head Horned Frog basketball coach.

Killingsworth, 63, retired on Tuesday effective June 30. After 38 years of basketball coaching, he will quit the sport for his log cabin at Starr Valley Ranch on the Idaho-Wyoming border.

Windeger, who was told last September by Killingsworth to start looking around for a replacement, said "I have a guy picked out. I hope we can announce something soon."

It won't be from Killingsworth's staff. "It will be someone with head coaching experience," Windeger said.

The Horned Frogs were eliminated from the NCAA playoffs 58-57 by Notre Dame last week, ending their season at 24-7. It was

their first NCAA Tournament bid in 16 years.

Killingsworth told Windeger on Monday he was going to put up his coaching whistle.

"I came close to backing out on the announcement but I'm going to try retirement," said Killingsworth.

"It's tougher to get out than I thought it would be. Gosh, I might even have to learn how to mow lawns now."

Windeger, who hired Killingsworth eight years ago with a telephone call from Oklahoma State, said "I was selfish. I kept hoping he would decide not to do it."

Windeger said he hoped to have a quick announcement of a successor "so we can expedite recruiting."

Killingsworth said "I wish I could have left the program in better shape. Whoever takes over will have to do some shoring up."

There were eight seniors on the Horned Frog team.

Killingsworth said he wanted to go out with a successful season.

"I think that is a big part of it. I

would have had a hard time going out losing," Killingsworth said. "I would have hated to go out that way. Most people like to get out while they are ahead. At least that's pretty good advice in a poker game, anyway."

He added "I've said on hundreds of occasions how much I have enjoyed my career at TCU. It's been a tremendous place to live and end my coaching career. Truthfully, I never dreamed it could be this good in the end."

TCU players weren't surprised.

"All of the guys realized he might retire," said Carl Lott. "He's been working hard all of his life. It's time he did it."

"It was no surprise," said Jamie Dixon. "He didn't talk about it but we knew he would probably do it."

"I've always been kind of a gypsy and there are plenty of things (wife) Margaret and I still want to do while we are healthy enough to do them," Killingsworth said. "I said the TCU job was the last job that I would ever take and it was."

"Now I've got to find me another 'Killer,'" Windeger said. "This program was in shambles when he got here. He's done one of the finest coaching jobs in America."

The Horned Frogs were 14-2 during the regular season, winning the SWC title by four games, the largest margin since the schools began playing round-robin. Killingsworth was the unanimous Coach of the Year.

He had a career record of 130-106 at TCU. There have been only five 20-win basketball seasons at the school and Killingsworth had three of them.

Killingsworth came to TCU from Oklahoma State in 1979 after the Cowboys had fashioned seasons of 10-16 and 12-15.

He was 109-54 in six years at Idaho State and had a 158-47 record in seven years at Cerritos, Calif., Junior College.

Killingsworth was the second winningest basketball coach in TCU history behind Buster Brannon, a Horned Frog coach for 20 seasons.

Mavs overpower Bulls

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks are early birds in the NBA playoffs and they did it by playing classic defense on the league's leading scorer, Michael Jordan.

Jordan, averaging 36.8 points per game, was held to 21 Tuesday night and the Mavericks claimed a 114-96 victory over the Chicago Bulls.

The victory clinched a playoff berth for the Mavs for the fourth consecutive season and the earliest date in franchise history.

"All the credit should go to Rolando Blackman who did an outstanding job defending him," said Dallas' Mark Aguirre, who was the leading scorer with 31 points. "Jordan is great in all facets of the game and we made him show what a good passer he was."

It was only the third time this season that Jordan wasn't high point man for Chicago. Charles Oakley was tops for the Bulls with 23 points.

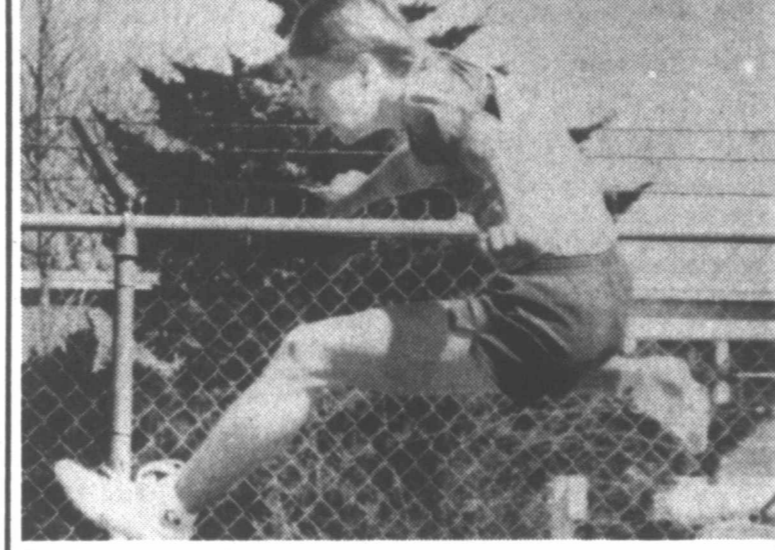
"Jordan can explode on you at any time so we all worked hard on defense but Ro was the best," Aguirre said.

"Rolando is one of those players who plays well on both ends of the court and that's the best way to play defense," Jordan said. "He is one of the best. We need to reevaluate things and get back on track."

Bulls' Coach Doug Collins held a 28-minute team meeting after the game to iron things out. It was Chicago's sixth consecutive loss.

He diagrammed the Bulls mistakes on a chalkboard after the game.

Hurdling Harvester



Brad Hinkle and his Pampa teammates are entered in the Borger Relays Saturday.

Spurs rally past Kings

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — San Antonio Coach Bob Weiss wasn't surprised that the Spurs overcame a 16-point deficit to post a 108-106 NBA victory over the Sacramento Kings Tuesday night.

"We've been doing a lot of that lately because we've been down by 16 points in an awful lot," Weiss said. "This is a gutsy team. They never say die."

The player that displayed the most cool was reserve guard Johnny Moore.

With the score tied at 106-106, Moore was fouled by Reggie Theus with two seconds left, and connected on two free throws to provide the Spurs with the victory.

"Johnny is a pressure player and we definitely want him there when the pressure is on," Weiss

said.

Weiss wanted the Spurs to feed the ball to forward Walter Berry for the final shot. But Berry opted to dish the ball off to Moore when he saw Theus drop off his teammate.

"Reggie left me alone so the ball came to me," Moore said. "Reggie hit me across the arm as I went to shoot."

Theus wasn't pleased with the call, saying he had his hands straight up.

"There's an unwritten rule that you don't let a mild foul like that decide the game," Theus said. "I had my hands straight up. How many times do you see that call made?"

"Walter Berry played a great game for us tonight as he has ever since he's been playing for us," Weiss said.

Drugs, scandals blemish sports pages for true fan

MUCH GOOD SHOULD evolve from the NCAA sanctions already nailed to the dressing room door at Southern Methodist University. Not the least of the plusses is the fact the story is so big it has moved off the sports pages and to the newspapers' front page and editorial sections, and to television anchorpersons' brief reading periods.

All of this restores needed sport page white space and sportscasters' air time to report sports.

In recent years those areas have been eaten up by a continuous flood of drug and jurisprudence reports at the cost of game scores, game stories, and reports of individual achievements on the playing field. Basketball and baseball box scores became more mangled than a demolition derby junk car. Many became line scores, line scores became just final result scores, and in many instances, even those were (and still are) unavailable to the reader or viewer.

"I take USA Today just so I can find out what's happening in the sports world," said the sports fan on the phone. "It's a great paper and it's the only place I can get that information." And he's not alone in that response to the sports enthusiast's problem. Many others solve it with a trip to the public library. It's obvious, because most of the time the only section of The Daily Oklahoman or Dallas Morning News that is disturbed is the sports section.

Add to that the problem of economics. The television networks are facing major cutbacks, ala CBS News. Network TV Sports departments have already announced plans to reduce NFL coverage by one or two cameras (and just when replays are being used to help solve officiating dilemmas and every possible angle is necessary).

And those economic problems are more evident for the small

Sports Forum

Warren Hasse



and regional daily papers. Less advertising means smaller papers. Fewer pages generally compresses the advertising resulting in less column inches for news, sports, features, etc. Economics also generally results in personnel cuts, which naturally means less time spent by reporters covering beats and on-the-spot coverage of events coupled with earlier deadlines to meet mounting distribution problems.

The ruling powers have to make some hard evaluations and basic decisions about what viewers and readers want the

most....hard news, pictures, consumer reports, medical news, or sports. So, it is good to have those wonderful coaches and administrators and athletes at Southern Methodist University, U-Houston, et al doing something productive enough to grab the front pages of the news section and clearing out the sport section for the true sports news.

It all comes at an appropriate time, too, with the huge overlap of men's and women's basketball tournaments and the start of the baseball season. And there is another word that causes ex-

treme problems for the sports departments....women. Women's athletics is relatively a novel entry to the sports pages. The sports editor has to decide how much local interest there is in how the girls are doing in tennis, golf, track, volleyball and basketball.

And he better be pretty accurate in his thinking. Despite the very minimal fan attendance at most girls' sporting events (generally a barometer of interest the sports ed can use), parents and coaches expect equal newspaper coverage with the boys' teams, just as they do facilities and coaches from the school board.

It is interesting to pick up a daily paper and analyze the sports section. It is easy to ascertain the attitude of management toward sports and its role at the paper. Major publications like the aforementioned Dallas News and USA Today offer full, multi-page

sections with each publication, covering every aspect of all sports, in depth. Others hide sports in a different section every day, or lead you eagerly through a couple of pages, turning the page expecting to find more only to be hit by business news or want ads. For those left high and dry, or with special interests, there are weekly publications covering everything from aviation to zoology, and providing the behind-the-scenes reports the true fan wants on baseball, basketball and football.

Fortunately, the management of The Pampa Daily News is aware of the intense sports interest of its readership and provides as much column space for sports every day as possible. And thanks to the folks at Mustangland and other SWC schools, even more is available now. Just another spinoff benefit from others' misfortunes.

Golf Association sets meeting

The Pampa Public Golf Association will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday night in the Gray County Courthouse, located on the second floor of the courthouse.

Buddy Epperson, president of the Pampa Public Golf Association, said the upcoming April 4

referendum will be discussed and plans will be made to promote interest in a proposed public golf course in Gray County.

Persons interested in supporting the golf course proposal are urged to attend.

Kansas City crushes Rangers 8-2

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Danny Tartabull crunched a three-run home run and Danny Jackson pitched five scoreless innings to propel the Kansas City Royals to an 8-2 victory over the Texas Rangers in an exhibition game Tuesday.

Tartabull homered in the fourth inning off losing pitcher Edwin Correa after George Brett and Frank White had singled. Brett doubled and singled in his return to the lineup after missing the previous three games with

tendinitis in his right shoulder.

Shortstop Buddy Biancalana aided the Royals' 12-hit attack with a double, single and two runs batted in, and also scored a run and walked. Biancalana also made nine assists and four putouts in his bid to win a starting job.

Jackson allowed four hits to improve his record to 2-0.

Pinch-hitter Geno Petralli drove in both Ranger runs with a seventh-inning single.

Optimists host basketball tourney

Pampa Optimist Club hosts an invitational basketball tournament Friday and Saturday in the middle school gyms.

Six teams are entered in both the boys' and girls' divisions.

Pampa Team One hosts Canadian at 7 p.m. Friday with the winner meeting Amarillo Belmar at 9 a.m. Saturday in the boys' division.

Dumas plays Amarillo Oakdale at 8:30 p.m. Friday and the

winner takes on Pampa Team Two at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

The finals are tentatively scheduled for 8:30 p.m. Saturday, but the game may be played earlier.

In the girls' division, Canadian plays Puckett at 7 p.m. Friday. The winner meets Panhandle Team Two at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Dumas and Panhandle Team play at 8:30 p.m. Friday with the winner going against Pampa at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

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California advances in NIT cage tourney

Bears defeat Oregon State

By The Associated Press

Since winning the NCAA's national championship in 1960, the California Golden Bears have been anything but golden in basketball.

This season, however, they've had a chance to shine in the National Invitation Tournament.

"Twenty wins is a heck of an accomplishment for this team," Coach Lou Campanelli said after his Bears downed Oregon State 65-62 in a second-round NIT game Tuesday night.

It's the first 20-win season for Cal, 20-14, since that sparkling 1960 season, when the Golden Bears won the national title with a defensive-tough club geared around center Darrall Imhoff.

In other second-round action Tuesday night, La Salle beat Niagara 89-81; Nebraska turned back Arkansas 78-71 and Southern Mississippi beat St. Louis University 83-78 in overtime.

The results set up the quarter-final pairings for this Saturday, when Illinois State will play at La Salle, Southern Mississippi at Vanderbilt, Washington at Nebraska and California at Arkansas-Little Rock.

The semifinals and finals will be played at Madison Square Garden in New York on March 24 and 26.

California 65, Oregon St. 62

Kevin Johnson scored 28 points and became California's all-time leading scorer as he led the Bears.

Johnson's performance gave him 1,635 points in his career at Cal, three more than the previous all-time Bear scorer, Bob McKeen.

The victory was Cal's third in

four meetings with Oregon State this season.

La Salle 89, Niagara 81

Freshman Lionel Simmons, who missed more than four minutes in the first half after taking an elbow to the nose, scored 23 points to lead La Salle over Niagara. Simmons, who also had nine rebounds, scored 14 points in the second half and the Explorers hit all 14 free throw attempts in the final 20 minutes to clinch the game at Niagara.

Nebraska 78, Arkansas 71

Reserve Anthony Bailous scored 20 points, Bernard Day had 19 and Derrick Vick added 18 to lead Nebraska over Arkansas. The Cornhuskers improved their record to 19-11.

Arkansas Coach Nolan Richardson, whose team, now 19-14, rallied from a 51-30 deficit to beat Arkansas State in the first round, said the officials were a factor in the first half.

"They were making some walking calls we don't get in the Southwest Conference," Richardson said. "Our players were scared of making a move. That first half was a situation of total fear."

S. Mississippi 83, St. Louis 78, (OT)

John White hit a 3-point basket with 1:25 left in overtime to trigger Southern Mississippi over St. Louis University.

Southern Mississippi, which outscored St. Louis 9-4 in overtime and scored the last six points of the game, made 10 of 19 3-point shots overall in raising its record to 20-11.

Casey Fisher led Southern Mississippi with 23 points.

St. Louis, playing in a post-season tournament for the first time in 22 years, finished at 25-10. Monroe Douglass led the Billikens with 21 points.

Pampa sisters head for state meet



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Rhea Hill (left) and Jamie Danner Hill.

A pair of sisters have qualified for the state swim meet after their qualifying performances in the West Texas Championships last weekend in Odessa.

Jamie Danner Hill of the Pampa Dolphins won the high point trophy in the girls' 10 and under age division. Jamie won six events, was second in one event and third in another. She also achieved AA times in every 10 and under event and qualified for state in every event in her age group. Jamie will be allowed to swim in only seven events at the state meet, which will be held March 26-29 in Dallas. However, she will be also to choose the events.

Jamie also became the first Dolphin swimmer to compete in the state championships in nine years. Jamie broke her own team records in the 50 butterfly and 100 individual medley, and broke Amy Raymond's 50 freestyle record set in 1978. In the 50 butterfly, she received an AAA time.

Jamie also received news last week that she was the top fund raiser for all "swim-a-thons" held in West Texas and will receive a special award from for that achievement.

Rhea Hill, Jamie's sister, also won the 500 freestyle in the girls' 13-14 age group.

Four girls scored enough points to place the Dolphins fifth in the 11-team field although they had one of the smallest teams competing.

City of Midlands won the team title. Odessa Aquatic Club was second and Pecos Swim Team was third.

Pampa's individual results are as follows:

Rhea Hill (girls' 13-14) — 2. 400 individual medley, A division; 1. 500 freestyle, A division; 3. 200 breaststroke, A division; 1. 200 butterfly, B division; 7. 50 freestyle, A division; 1. 100 butterfly, B division; 3. 100 freestyle, A division; 2. 200 backstroke, A division; 6. 100 breaststroke, A division; 4. 200 freestyle, A division; 1. 100 backstroke, B division; 3. 200 individual medley, A division.

Julie Forman (girls' 11-12) — 1. 500 freestyle, C division; 4. 200 individual medley, B division; 2. 100 backstroke, B division; 1. 100 freestyle, C division; 4. 100 individual medley, B division; 3. 50 freestyle, B division; 1. 100 breaststroke, E division; 1. 200 freestyle, C division.

Jamie Danner Hill (girls' 10 & under) — 1. 200 individual medley, A division; 1. 50 backstroke, A division; 1. 100 freestyle, A division; 1. 50 butterfly, A division; 1. 100 individual medley, A division; 3. 50 freestyle, A division; 2. 50 breaststroke, A division; 1. 200 freestyle, A division.

Rene Hill (girls' 10 & under) — 5. 200 individual medley, A division; 5. 50 backstroke, B division; 3. 100 freestyle, B division; 6. 50 butterfly, A division; 1. 100 individual medley, B division; 9. 50 freestyle, B division; 3. 50 breaststroke, B division; 6. 200 freestyle, A division.

Five Dolphin C swimmers completed with other C swimmers from Borger, Plainview, Dumas, the Maverick Club of Amarillo and Liberal, Kans. this past weekend at Frank Phillips College in Borger.

Pampa swimmers won 13 of 23 events they entered, capturing 13 first-place ribbons and five second-place ribbons.

Results in the Borger meet are listed below:

Bobby Venal (boys' 10 & under) — 1. 100 individual medley; 2. 50 breaststroke; 2. 50 backstroke; 1. 25 butterfly; 1. 50 freestyle.

Kamron Harris (girls' 10 & under) — 1. 100 individual medley; 1. 50 backstroke; 2. 50 breaststroke; 2. 50 butterfly; 2. 50 freestyle.

Heidi Venal (girls' 11-12) — 7. individual medley; 5. 50 backstroke; 6. 50 breaststroke; 5. 50 butterfly; 8. 50 freestyle.

Talitha Pope (girls' 10 & under) — 1. 50 breaststroke; 1. 50 butterfly; 1. 50 freestyle. Talitha had already achieved A and B times in the other events.

Johnny Haesle (boys' 11-12) — 1. 100 individual medley; 1. 50 backstroke; 1. 50 breaststroke; 1. 50 butterfly; 1. 50 freestyle.

Primer needed for complicated world of track and field

By JIMMY PATTERSON Sports Writer

It used to be that you didn't have to be a math major to fully understand the complicated world of track and field.

But in today's metric society, a primer is needed.

For some reason, the government has decided for us that we need to start calculating distances, weights, measurements, etc. the way the Britons do it—in metric.

For instance, if I wanted to plan a trip from Pampa to White Deer,

I better remember I will be travelling a distance of 24.140 kilometers — not 15 miles.

To me, it's a heckuva lot easier to remember 15 miles. But, if our world is to be made entirely complicated, I suppose I'll have to one day learn to abide by these new rules.

They already use the metric system in the world of track and field, and in order to help fans make heads and tails out of it, I offer the following guide.

The running portion of a track meet starts off with the 400-meter

relay, or 437.44 yards. More simply put, roughly a quarter of a mile. Even easier, it's one time around the track.

It used to be the 100-yard dash. No longer. It is now the 100-meter dash. So now, we can warmly refer to it as the 109.3613-yard dash.

I guess track and field moguls figured that if we converted to the metric system, athletes would have to work even harder for their medals.

There also exists the 800-meter run and relay, which is twice

around the track, or 874.89 yards.

Then there's the 300-meter intermediate hurdles. In this boy's event, a series of 36-inch hurdles are jumped over, spread throughout the 328.08 yard distance of the run.

To complicate things further, girls jump over low hurdles (33-inches) while running 120.29 yards. This event is referred to as the 110-meter low hurdles.

The big events in the track meet are the distance runs. There are two: the 1600- and 3200-meter

run. There is also a 1600-meter relay.

The 1600 measures out 1749 yards, two-feet, four inches. But all you really have to remember is that it is four laps around the track.

The 3200, run as the second event of a meet, is one-mile, 1739 yards, 20 inches.

In the good old days, these two events used to be known simply as the one- and two-mile runs.

The 3200 is run at the beginning so the distance runners on the

team will have the remainder of the afternoon to rest up for the 1600, which is the last event of the day.

If track meets and their distances confuse you, I certainly hope I have cleared things up a little.

Tomorrow, a guide to the field events in a meet, including an answer to that long asked question, "Why don't they call it the broad jump anymore?"

Now, though, it's time I had my morning decilitre of coffee.



Richelle Hill had the highest finish for Pampa in the recent regional swim held in Lubbock. Hill finished fourth in the 500 freestyle and sixth in the 200 IM.

Only the winners in each event qualified for the state meet.

Astros shut out Cards

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Non-roster first baseman Glenn Carpenter went 4-for-5 with two RBI and Houston pitchers allowed just three hits to lead the Astros to a 10-0 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals in exhibition baseball Tuesday.

Houston, the National League's defending West Division champion, used a 16-hit attack to end St. Louis' four-game winning streak in Grapefruit League play. The Astros' pitching came from starter Bob Knepper, the winner, and relievers Manny Hernandez, Jeff Edwards and Dave Smith.

After Cards starter Tim Conroy permitted four hits and a run through the first four innings, the Astros pounded ex-teammate Bill Dawley for 11 hits.

St. Louis' only hits were singles by rookie Tom Pagnozzi in the third, Jack Clark in the seventh and Curt Ford in the eighth. The Cards' moved to 9-2 in the Grapefruit League and Astros went to 5-5.

Houston broke the game open with a four-run fifth inning, which included a double by Carpenter and a triple by Terry Puhl.

Lloyd struggles in Slims tourney

DALLAS (AP) — Top-seeded Chris Evert Lloyd struggled through her first-round Virginia Slims of Dallas match but at the post-match press conference there was more on her mind than her opponent, 17-year-old Bulgarian Katerina Maleeva.

Evert-Lloyd, a 2-6, 6-3, 6-1 victor Tuesday night in the first-round match, responded to a report in Tuesday's editions of a local newspaper quoting sources close to the player that she had filed for divorce from her husband, John Lloyd, last February.

The story quoted the sources as saying that Lloyd, a British tennis player, had been offered a \$2 million settlement but that Lloyd was seeking half his wife's personal wealth. There have also been reports that Evert Lloyd wished to be referred to as Evert, her maiden name.

"It was pretty upsetting to read that," said Evert Lloyd. "Yes, we are separated. Yes, we are discussing (divorce). But nothing has been filed."

"Whether it's two weeks, a month or a year, we'll make a statement. I don't like reading that stuff."

Maleeva, ranked 24th in the computer rankings and meeting Evert Lloyd for the first time, had an opportunity for the biggest victory of her brief career before Evert Lloyd took control midway through the second set.

"When I was down (2-3) in the second set it (losing) crossed my mind," said Evert Lloyd. "I played a bad first set, period. But in the second set I got things going."

"At the end I was in better shape than she was. This wasn't a real tough match for me."

Maleeva was impressed by Evert Lloyd, 15 years her senior. "I was happy to have the chance to play her," said Maleeva. "I was a little surprised at how she started. I expected her to play better but she's a human being too. She can't always play her best. I tried to look at her as just another player."

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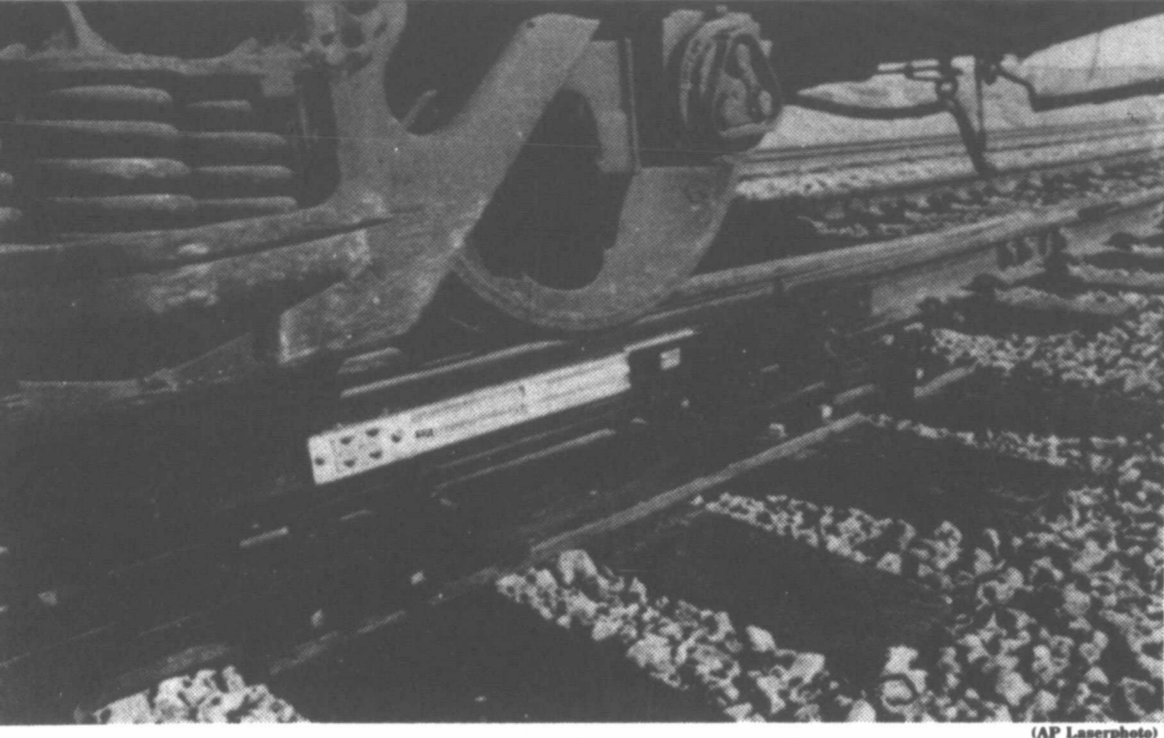
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Poindexter, North to testify

WASHINGTON (AP)—Congressional investigators probing the Iran-Contra affair tentatively agreed to grant limited immunity to former National Security Adviser John M. Poindexter but are delaying his public testimony until June, sources say.

An agreement between the congressional panels and the government's special prosecutor, which also would lead to limited immunity for former White House deputy Oliver L. North, was to be voted on today at closed-door meetings of the two congressional panels, the sources said.

Hearings would open May 5. The congressional sources, who spoke Tuesday only on condition of anonymity, also said the two investigating committees planned to vote on limited immunity to compel testimony from at least five people involved in a resupply network for Nicaragua's Contra rebels.

Limited immunity compels a witness to testify before Congress but guarantees that the testimony will not be used in any criminal prosecution. The witness could, however, be prosecuted on evidence gathered independently.

Among names under consideration for immunity were Robert Owen, Richard Gadd and John Cupp, whom investigators believe could help the panel learn how weapons were funneled to the rebels during a time when Congress had banned U.S. military help, according to the sources.

The New York Times reported today that immunity also would be voted on for Robert Earl, North's assistant on the NSC staff.

The panels already have granted immunity to North's former secretary, Fawn Hall; Iranian businessman Albert Hakim; retired Col. Robert C. Dutton; and pilot Edward T. de Garay.

Some members of the investigating committees, saying it is urgent to get the full story of the Iran-Contra affair before the public, have been arguing for quick grants of immunity for Poindexter, who resigned as national security adviser and North, the fired White House aide.

But independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh has argued that would jeopardize his efforts to gather evidence for possible charges against the two.

By waiting until early June to place Poindexter and North on the witness stand, Congress would allow Walsh virtually all the time he sought to assemble any possible criminal case against them.

House vote on higher speed limit said too close to call

WASHINGTON (AP)—A sponsor of the proposal to allow states to raise speed limits to 65 mph on rural interstate highways said today that Americans have made "clear in their driving habits that they support the increase."

"They're not driving 55 today on the rural interstates," Rep. Dave McCurdy, D-Okla., said in an interview on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America." "It's clear in their driving habits that they support the increase."

But Joan Claybrook, former administrator of the National Highway Safety Administration and president of Public Citizen, argued on the same show that "the 55 mph speed limit is a balance. It was designed to balance between going too slowly for efficiency and going too fast for safety," Ms. Claybrook said.

Rep. James Howard, D-N.J., the leading House advocate of retaining the 55 mph limit, scheduled hearings beginning today on the speed limit question. He said that even if the proposed speed limit increase is approved, the hearings could help persuade governors to keep maximum speeds in their states at 55.

Howard, chairman of the House Public Works and Transportation Committee, said Tuesday he could not predict the outcome of the vote.

Suicide tries leave town fearful

By The Associated Press

A suicide attempt by two young people in the same New Jersey garage where four teenagers killed themselves last week left the community fearful, while authorities outside Chicago withheld details of a second suicide in four days.

"We are real, real worried that if we put out more information, it will spark another suicide," said police Sgt. Doug Larsson in Rolling Meadows, Ill., on Tuesday.

A rookie police officer in Bergenfield, N.J., pulled a 20-year-old woman and her 17-year-old boyfriend, groggy from auto exhaust fumes, from a Chevrolet Camaro early Tuesday in a garage at an apartment complex, authorities said.

The car, the same model used by the teen-agers to kill themselves by carbon monoxide poisoning last Wednesday, was not running, but the engine was warm, police said.

The woman, Lisa L. Klaeger, had attempted suicide three times in recent year and had known one of last week's victims, but there were no speci-

"We just figure it will be very close," he said. Legislators from the House and Senate reached a final compromise Tuesday on a related measure, an \$86 billion package of highway and mass transit aid for the states.

Earlier Tuesday, lawmakers who want the speed limit increased to 65 mph said they were unsure of the vote outcome. Rep. James Hansen, R-Utah, told reporters a tally he helped conduct showed about 160 representatives for the higher speed, 110 against it and 165 undecided.

Howard and his supporters say the lower maximum speed has saved thousands of lives and huge amounts of fuel since it became law in 1974.

But advocates of increasing the speed limit say a higher legal limit would let police spend less time enforcing a law few drivers obey anyway. Hansen referred to the 55 mph national limit as "the prohibition of the 80s," and Sen. Steven Symms, R-Idaho, said public opinion was clearly in favor of a law that would allow faster driving.

The federal Department of Transportation ultimately would determine exactly where the faster speeds would be allowed. But Symms' office says 65 mph driving would be permitted in every state but Delaware and on 33,910 of the 43,291 miles of interstate highways.

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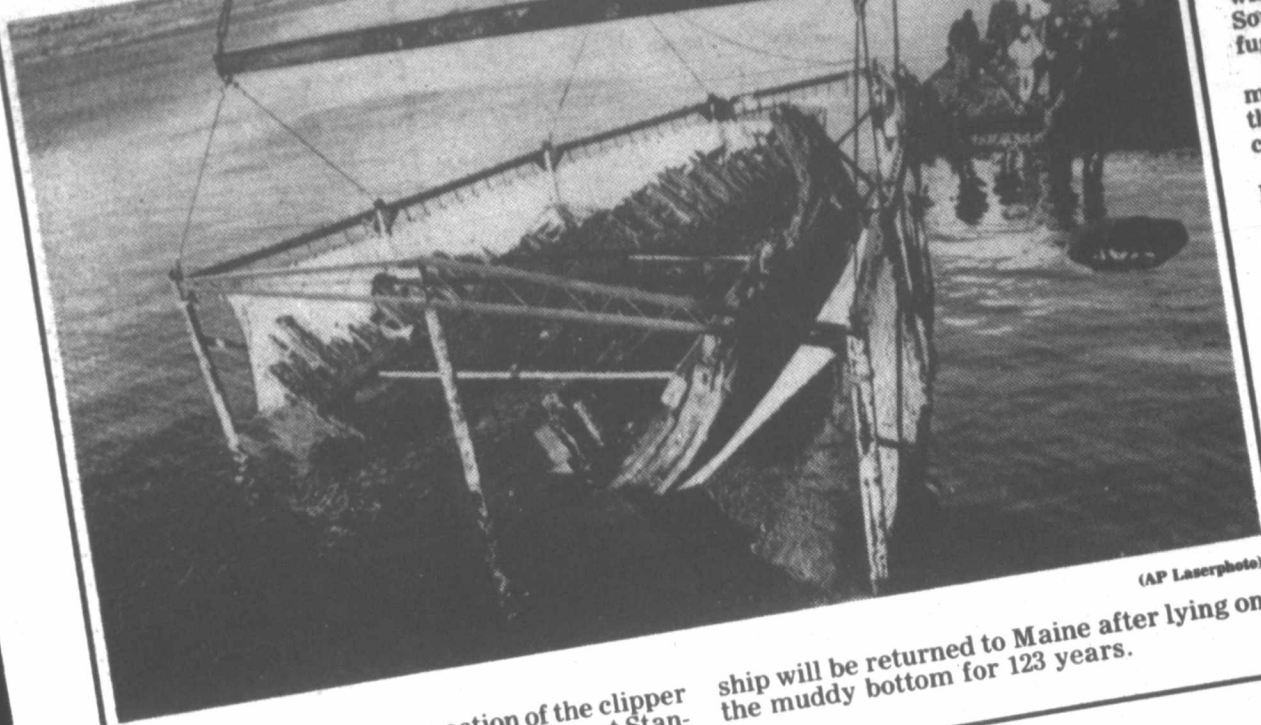
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INS official says alien smugglers may find prey at refugee shelter

HARLINGEN (AP)—They are called "coyotes" and they may have found a new prey. The men who smuggle illegal aliens away from the border and into the interior are finding an easy way to make quick money by lurking around a South Texas shelter for Central American refugees.

"They're called coyotes because they're out to make a fast buck and they prey on the people and they're kind of shy," says Jerry Hicks, assistant chief of the McAllen sector of the Border Patrol. But not all coyotes take their prey to Houston or Miami. Sometimes they take the aliens' money and leave their human cargo stranded just a few miles from the border.

Late last year, one immigration official recalled, a coyote took a group of illegal aliens to the outskirts of Raymondville, 30 miles north of Harlingen, "told them to walk the distance to town and that was Houston."

"They ended up in front of a minister's door. This particular guy said it had happened several times," said Jerry Sewell, district director of Immigration and Naturalization Service. He said that case was the first in which he had heard of coyotes recruiting illegal aliens who may have been staying at the Casa Oscar Romero shelter for Central American refugees.

"I think coyotes are going to the Casa," Sewell said of the shelter in San Benito. "I don't think the Casa people are actively participating in this. I've

heard before of coyotes picking people up there and soliciting business there. There's where they can make a lot of sales."

Casa Romero director Sister Juliana Garcia said there are no coyotes staying at the shelter and none is allowed inside the fenced-in compound.

"I have not seen one and I don't know anyone" who is a coyote, she said.

"All the people (at the shelter) want to go through the immigration office. They want to feel secure, to feel safe in their trip," she said.

But she said two- to three-week waits to obtain papers to enter the country legally may tempt the aliens to find a coyote who will hasten their trip to the interior.

Hernan Gonzalez, a spokesman for the Catholic Diocese of Brownsville, said it is difficult to discern between the people gathered outside the shelter "who are there to exploit people and who are there to help people."

Hicks said the last arrest involving alien smuggling and Casa Romero was more than 2½ years ago, when a couple of sanctuary movement workers were apprehended for transporting illegal aliens.

"I don't know if a ring (of coyotes) is operating out of there. We hear a lot of things but they are hard to prove. They could do it," Hicks said.

He said some of the Rio Grande Valley coyotes are taxi drivers.

Couple adds biblical touch to puppet show

BIGELOW, Minn. (AP)—Dale and Jan Collison pulled a few strings to get their jobs. In fact, they pull at least nine strings on each of the five marionettes they currently use in their traveling puppet show, "The King of the Golden River."

One of the marionettes, the younger brother who must complete a series of tasks, has 11 strings. That, Jan explains, is because he must stand on his head during the show. With a flutter of her fingers, the wooden-faced boy does exactly that.

To the Collisons, the puppets they work with — those supplied by the company and the ones that they make to fit over their hands — are more than toys. They are their career, a vocation to which God has directed them. Jan grew up near Bigelow, and the farm of

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sikma, is headquarters for the Collisons during their breaks from traveling. She met Dale when they were students at Reformed Bible College in Grand Rapids, Mich., graduated from a St. Louis seminary in 1977, but Dale, a native of Kalamazoo, Mich., never served a congregation as pastor. He feels now that the Lord did not want him in a church, but instead wanted him to make a childhood interest his vehicle for ministry.

Sometime before Collison started fourth grade, he received his first marionette from his mother. He saw his first presentation "Beauty and the Beast," and "I fell in love with the little things," he said. "I would put on shows for the neighborhood."

Puppets were put away as childish toys as Collison grew older, and they were almost forgotten. After seminary, while Jan worked as a nurse's aide, Dale was drawn back to puppets, and began working part time with puppets, and began working part time with puppets shows.

In September 1983, the decision was made to work with puppets full time.

"God was leading us into full-time puppeting," Dale said.

For three school years, the Collisons worked with a booking agent in Philadelphia and joined the Stevens Puppet Co. of Rocky Mountain, Va.

In front of audiences consisting primarily of grade-school children, the Collisons pulled strings for the 15 to 17 marionettes that made up the cast of "Pinocchio."

Centenarian maintains an active life

COLLINGDALE, Pa. (AP)—On Jan. 22, 1888, Patrick Walsh was born in Castleroyan, County Mayo, Ireland.

Today Walsh is a healthy 102-year-old who "has never been sick" and is just as happy now as he was when he arrived in America in 1912.

"He's proud that he's collected a pension for more years than he worked for the company," one daughter said.

When Walsh, then 27, left his homeland and set sail for New York he was looking for work.

Walsh took advantage of his independence and lived the life he wanted.

Longevity is a family trait for Walsh, whose father lived to be 107. A brother lived to be 87 and many other relatives are now in their 90s.

Walsh was one of nine children and the father of eight. He has 19 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. His five surviving grandchildren are Ann, Margaret, Rita, Teresa and Frances.

"I worked my way over on the ship 'Caramania,'" Walsh said. He then stayed with his two sisters in New York for about six months before he went to Illinois to work in the coal mines.

The next winter, Walsh said, he worked for Midvale Steel Works in Philadelphia and Baldwin's in Chester.

Walsh went to Missouri in 1913 to work the coal pits and visited St. Louis.

"St. Louis was a nice place," Walsh said, still speaking with a slight brogue. "There was plenty of work, but I didn't want to stay there. I didn't want to stay anywhere when I was young. I wanted to travel with myself."

"In 1914 I went back to New York and worked the trolley cars. I was always looking for a day's wage," Walsh said of his escapades crisscrossing many states for almost 10 years.

"I just went from one place to another and I traveled from town to town when I left a coal mine," he said, recalling working in Cleveland, Kansas City, where he "watched kids work the harvest," and Boston, where he worked on sewers.

He saw Illinois and Connecticut, where he was employed in cut, where he was in Maine, the building trade, and Michigan where he cut trees, Michigan and West Virginia.

Walsh says he helped build the South Street Bridge in Philadelphia as a "sandhog," constructing the underwater pilings.

"When I made some money, I would move on," Walsh said. "I would go from town to town. Quit today, work tomorrow."

Walsh's wandering days came to a screeching halt in 1921 when he was 36 years old and married Margaret Spellman, 30, and moved to Philadelphia.

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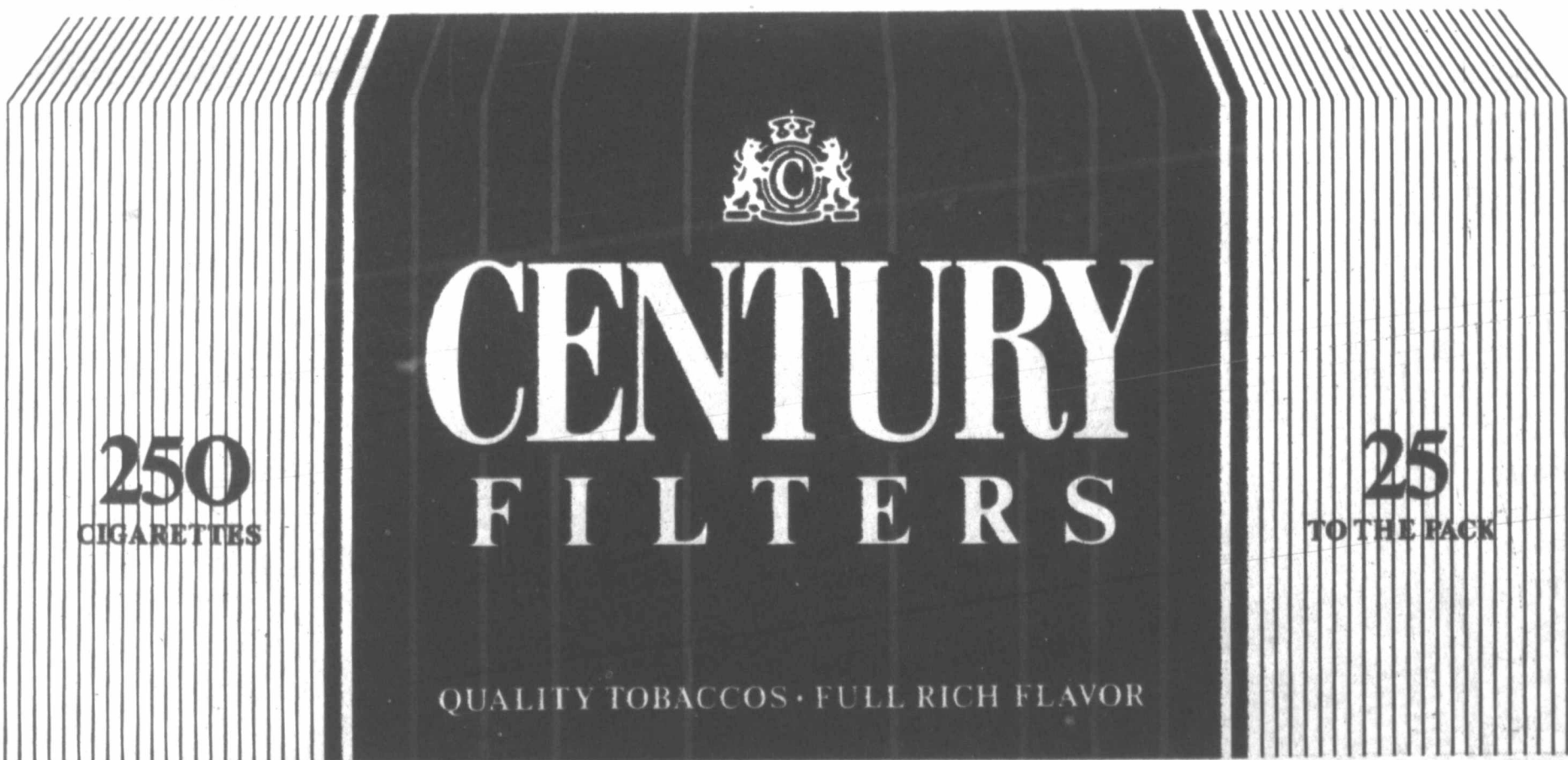
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