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## Pampa youth dies in house fire Monday night

By BEAR MILLS  
Staff Writer

A house fire at 1340 Terrace Monday night claimed the life of a Pampa Middle School seventh-grader.

Dale Noble, 13, of the residence, died in the fire. His body was found in a front bedroom of the home by firefighters after the blaze was reported at 11:07 p.m. by neighbors.

Ironically, the boy's body was found lying in the floor, inches from a front window.

Authorities at the scene late Monday said the fire appeared to have begun in the front part of the house. Neighbors said they heard an explosion shortly after 11 p.m. and called the fire department when they realized the house was on fire.

Noble's mother, Paulette, a sixth-grade science teacher at Pampa Middle School, and his older brother, Terry Jr., a sophomore at Pampa High School, were also in the house at the time of the fire, but were able to escape through a back door, said Gary Stevens, a fire investigator for the city.

After escaping from the blaze, the family sat on the porch next door, surrounded by neighbors who tried to comfort them. After Mrs. Noble and her older son were taken to the hospital, a neighbor sat on the porch in her robe, silently watching investigators and firefighters as they went in and out of the burned residence.

No dollar estimate was available on damage to the home at press time Tuesday.

Stevens and Fire Marshall Tom Adams said this morning a cause had still not been determined for the

blaze. They were joined by detectives from the Pampa Police Department in sifting through the rubble of the gutted home searching for clues as to the origin of the fire.

Police detectives questioned neighbors adjacent to the residence and also spoke with spectators who stood quietly in small groups at the scene.

Firefighters and a police officer remained at the residence, taped off to outsiders, through the night. Firefighters continued to battle hot spots for several hours after the fire first began.

Justice of the Peace Wayne Roberts was called to the scene at about 11:30 p.m., where he pronounced the boy dead at the scene. He ordered an autopsy by Amarillo pathologist Dr. Ralph Erdman to determine the exact cause of Noble's death.

Dr. Erdman was in Lubbock testifying at a trial, authorities said late Monday, and was not expected to return to his Amarillo office until Wednesday. The autopsy is pending until Dr. Erdman's return.

Mrs. Noble and the older brother were both treated and released at Coronado Hospital for smoke inhalation, according to Linda Haynes, hospital spokesman.

Teachers at Pampa Middle School said Mrs. Noble was in Amarillo today with family members.

Terry Layne Noble Sr., the victim's father, lives in Raton, N.M., according to family friends and obituary information.

Dick Crockett, middle school vice principal, said three school district counselors had been working with students, who learned upon arrival at the campus this morning that their friend was dead.

"This kind of thing is always hard," Crockett said. "Dale was a good kid."

John Warner, a Pampa attorney and longtime Optimist baseball coach, wrestled with emotion this morning as he remembered Noble's three years on his team.

"He played for me as a 10-year-old, 11 and 12," Warner said. "He was the first kid to practice and would be 10 to 15 minutes early."

"He was a good student and a good example. He was a quiet leader. It wasn't a rah-rah, jump-up-and-down type thing. He was concerned about the team concept."

Noble, who also had an interest in basketball and wrestling, was termed "one of the greatest hitters I have ever coached," by Warner.

"One of his goals was to pitch. He was the only



(Photo Courtesy of Sutton's of Pampa)

**Dale Noble in his Little League photo.**

pitcher to pitch more than one year for me and go undefeated," Warner said, noting that the youngster's natural position was first base and that his determination was evidenced by how hard he worked to pitch well.

Noble was born April 12, 1977, in Amarillo and lived all his life in Pampa. He attended Woodrow Wilson Elementary before graduating to Pampa Middle School.

In addition to his parents and older brother, Noble is survived by a grandmother, Kathleen Noble of Watonga, Okla.

He attended Hobart Baptist Church. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors in Pampa.

News Editor Dee Dee Laramore contributed to this report.



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

**A Pampa firefighter inspects the ceiling of the home at 1340 Terrace for hot spots after the fire Monday night.**

## Gov. Clements vetoes school finance reform

By MICHAEL HOLMES  
and PEGGY FIKAC  
Associated Press Writers

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements today vetoed the Legislature's school finance reform bill, an act some lawmakers said raised the possibility that a court-appointed special master might wind up overhauling the system of state aid for public schools.

Clements, a Republican, said he vetoed the bill because the Democratic-controlled Legislature wanted to raise the 6 percent state sales tax by one-half cent to help pay its \$555 million first year cost.

"They insist on raising the sales tax when other options exist," Clements said.

Clements said that during negotiations he bent his no-new-taxes pledge to consider so-called sin taxes — such as levies on alcohol and cigarettes — but he blamed lawmakers for demanding a sales tax increase.

"Clearly, it is unnecessary to raise our state sales tax to the second-highest in America when alternatives exist to do the job," the governor said.

Many Democratic lawmakers said they were ready to try to override the Republican governor's veto, which came after 2 1/2 months of special sessions that failed to produce a bill that Clements would approve.

"The governor can veto it and we can try to override it — or let the court draw it up," said Rep. Mark Stiles, D-Beaumont.

Legislative leaders said they would try to muster the two-thirds majority required in both the House and Senate to override Clements' veto.

But with Republicans holding more than one-third of the 150 House seats, Speaker Gib Lewis said he wasn't certain whether the governor could be overridden in that chamber.

"We haven't got a really good head count yet," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth. "I don't know at this point whether we do (have a two-thirds majority) or not."

The Legislature has been in special session since Feb. 27 trying to overhaul the \$13.5 billion-a-year school finance system to meet a June 1 court-ordered deadline or action. (See related story, Page 3.)

## Participants in Global Walk to be in Pampa Wednesday

Almost 150 people from countries all over the world will converge on Pampa Wednesday as part of a Global Walk.

Organizers for the event said walkers began in Los Angeles on Jan. 15, Martin Luther King Day, and will end their trek in New York City on Oct. 24, United Nations Day.

The event is part of the EDEN movement — Earth Decade Environmental Network — and is aimed at increasing global awareness of the importance of ecological issues.

A press release noted, "The walk advocates the redirection of taxpayer's dollars from the massive build-up of world arsenals to being more effectively meeting human needs and implementing environmental clean-up."

"By walking, participants will celebrate their reverence for the earth and their individual and cultural diversity."

In addition to the walk, a Livable World Fair is being conducted at sites along the route. In Pampa, that fair will be held on Thursday from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Grace Hall of

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 511 N. Hobart.

Among the local coordinators are Rev. Jim Fox, pastor of Hobart Baptist Church, and the Roman Catholic Amarillo Diocesan Rural Life Board.

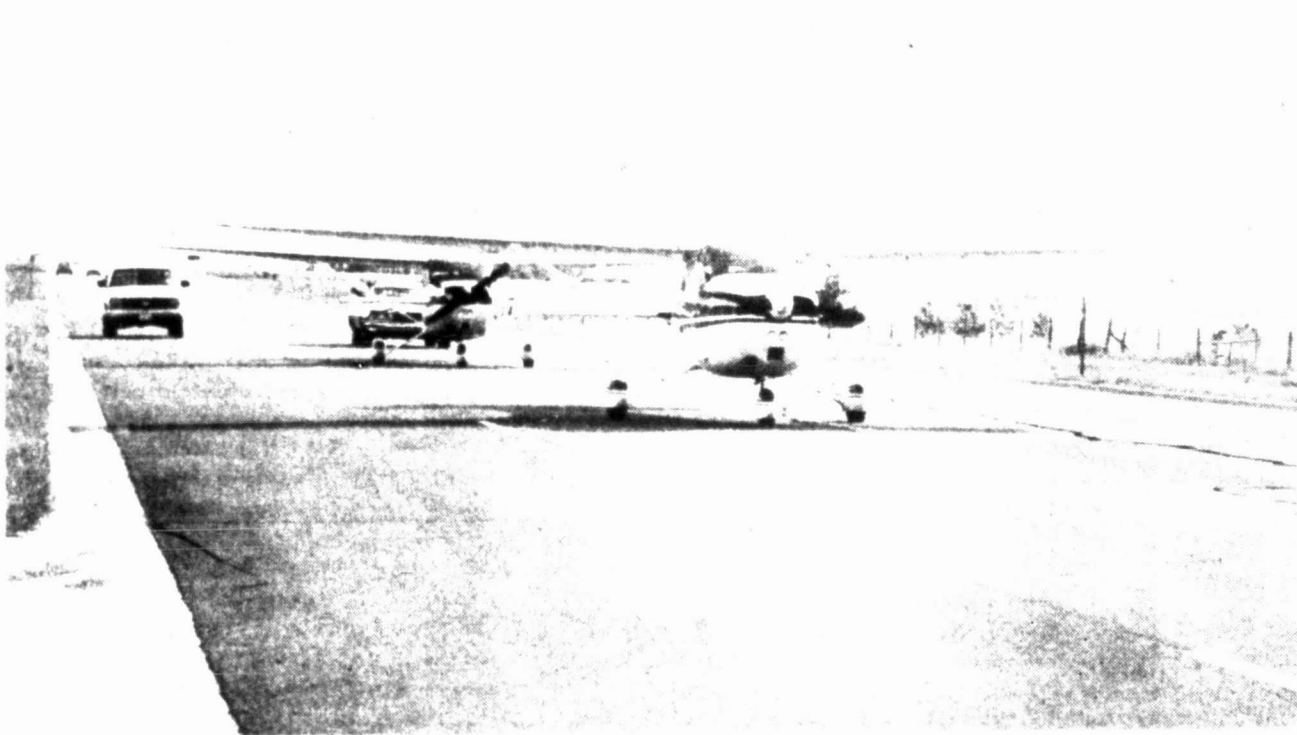
They have noted that informing the public as to the benefits of alternative transportation, organic farming, holistic health and economic changes to support pro-environmental issues are all goals of the walk and fair.

The press release stated, "Education programs will be conducted in over 200 cities to build a deeper awareness of our dependence on and responsibility for the living earth."

Walkers will set up camp two miles west of Kingsmill on Wednesday afternoon. They will be in a camp near Moody Farms east of Pampa on Thursday and will be in Pampa for the fair Thursday night before moving on toward Wheeler and into Oklahoma.

Visitors are welcome at the camps, officials with the event said.

## Flight to the mall



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Motorists on Texas 70 got a surprise early today when two single-engine airplanes landed on the state highway north of Pampa. The airplanes landed on a stretch cordoned off by Gray County Sheriff's officers and taxied into the Pampa Mall, where they were to be on display today. Ron Fernui, Perry Lefors Airport manager, said the airplanes were brought to the mall today to bring public attention to Gray County's airport as an area air transportation center.

## Sales tax rebates down for area

By BETH MILLER  
Staff Writer

Gray County cities are down a total of 2.68 percent in this month's sales tax rebates compared to last year and down a total of 2.23 percent on year to date payments, according to figures released by State Comptroller Bob Bullock's office.

The city of Pampa received a check for \$141,692.20 this month compared to a \$145,478.59 check last year, for a 2.60 percent decrease. On payments to date, Pampa is down 2.05 percent, having received \$589,618.33 this year.

The city of Lefors received a \$1,032.96 check this month, up 12.37 percent from last year's \$919.23 check at the same time. For the year, Lefors is down 21.97 percent over last year's total payments at this time of \$3,901.40.

The city of McLean is down 15.43 percent for the \$1,659.98 payment received this month, compared to the \$1,962.80 received last year. McLean is also down 5.95 percent in payments to date, having received \$8,306.38 this year.

In Carson County, the city of White Deer is up 49.02 percent in payments this month, receiving a \$5,112.56 check this month compared to a \$3,430.81 check during

the same month last year. White Deer is up 5.58 percent on payments to date, having received \$17,552.16 so far this year.

Groom's payment this month of \$2,250.41 is down 19.23 percent from last year's payment of \$2,786.15. In payments to date, Groom is down 9.55 percent, receiving \$10,539.23 so far this year.

The city of Panhandle's \$7,784.30 payment this month is down 2.76 percent from last year's payment of \$8,005.11. In total payments to date this year, Panhandle is down 1.46 percent from last year's payments of \$26,837.46.

Skellytown's \$2,135.21 payment this month is up 24.93 percent above last year's payment of \$1,709.11. In payments to date, Skellytown is up 4.03 percent, having received \$7,661.36 so far this year.

In Hemphill County, the city of Canadian is down 4.11 percent with this month's payment of \$12,544.69 compared to last year's check for \$13,082.87. In payments to date, Canadian is down 5.33 percent, having received \$58,145.89 so far this year.

In Roberts County, the city of Miami is \$1,700.74 payment this month is down 6.83 percent compared to last year's check for \$1,825.39. In payments to date,

Miami is down 11.19 percent, having received \$8,366.30 last year.

In Wheeler County, the city of Wheeler's \$4,671.29 payment this month is down 10.15 percent from last year's payment at this time of \$5,198.84. In payments to date, the city of Wheeler is down 15.23 percent from last year's payments of \$23,094.93.

The city of Mobeetie's payment of \$901.59 this month is up 192.93 percent from last year's payment of \$307.78. In payments to date, Mobeetie is down 1.04 percent from last year's payments of \$1,547.73.

The city of Shamrock's payment this month of \$12,580.04 is down 1.91 percent from last year's payment of \$12,824.60. In payments to date, Shamrock is down 0.01 percent from last year's payments of \$50,728.83.

Bullock's office sent \$138 million in monthly local sales tax rebates to 1,156 Texas cities and counties this month. Checks to cities totaled more than \$126 million, an increase of 7.27 percent over payments made last May, Bullock said.

This month's checks included taxes collected on March sales and reported in April by businesses filing monthly returns, and also includes taxes reported by those filing quarterly returns for the months of January, February and March.

## Texas Ranger begins review of sheriff's case

By BETH MILLER  
Staff Writer

A Texas Ranger arrived in Pampa on Monday to begin an investigation into different allegations which surfaced recently in the Gray County Sheriff's Office, a spokesman with the Rangers' district office in Lubbock said Monday afternoon.

The Ranger, Alvin Schmidt, is from Amarillo, the spokesman said.

District Attorney Harold Comer verbally requested the Texas Rangers to investigate the allegations last Wednesday. He mailed a written request to the district office following a telephone conversation with Capt. Bruce M. Casteel.

The Rangers had said they would provide a "prompt" investigation.

Numerous allegations have come to light recently about personnel in the sheriff's office and concerning activities of Sheriff Jim Free himself. The Rangers indicated a full and complete investigation would be made of the matters requested by Comer.

The Rangers said they were unsure how long the investigation would take to complete or if any news releases would be issued while the investigation was on-going.

Many of the allegations began to arise when Sheriff Free suspended three deputies and his chief jailer with pay on April 27. Chief Deputy Ken Kieth, Deputy Secretary Sue Matthew and Chief Jailer Othal Hicks were suspended on allegations that a forged high school diploma for Hicks was mailed in to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE).

The three remain on suspension with pay.

A third deputy, Sgt. Dave Keiser, was suspended on the same day, amid allegations of "official misconduct" with a female inmate in the Gray County Jail. Keiser was reinstated on May 5 following his suspension after an internal investigation cleared him.

And Free said since no formal complaint was ever filed against Keiser, he had no reason to continue Keiser's suspension.

Comer was asked to review the internal investigation on Keiser and said he has now forwarded all information he had received on to the Texas Rangers for their investigation.

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## Services tomorrow

**EASTLAND, James Hiram Jr.** - 2 p.m., graveside, Fairview Cemetery.

## Obituaries

### THELMA 'BILLIE' FICK

Thelma "Billie" Fick, 55, died Tuesday, May 22, 1990. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whalley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Fick was born June 14, 1934, at Vian, Okla. She moved to Pampa in 1957 from Oklahoma. She married Robert "Bob" W. Fick on Oct. 10, 1949, at Claremore, Okla. She was a sales lady for Avon Cosmetics for 17 years. She was a member of Hobart Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; one daughter, Jessie Poole of Skellytown; two sons, Joe Fick and Robert G. Fick, both of Pampa; two sisters, Geneva Williams of Jay, Okla., and Alta Ridenhour of Chelsey, Okla.; five brothers, Earnest James of Disney, Okla.; Jessie James Jr. of Claremore, Okla.; Melvin James of South Coffeyville, Okla., and Lewis James and Richard James, both of Pampa; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## Police report

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

### MONDAY, May 21

Taylor Mart, 404 N. Ballard, reported a theft of gasoline at the business.

Wal-Mart, 2225 N. Hobart, reported a theft at the business. (See related story)

Scott McCormick, 1127 Finley, reported an aggravated assault at 2225 N. Hobart. (See related story)

Steven Ray Taylor, 1601 W. Somerville #1102, reported a burglary at the residence.

Daniel Tolbert, 2401 Rosewood, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at Pampa High School.

Joyce Potter, 1000 S. Sumner, reported a theft at the residence.

### Arrests

#### MONDAY, May 21

Roy Floyd Martin, 33, no address listed, was arrested in the 500 block of North Frost on five warrants.

Roderic Durrell Casel, 23, 1008 Crane Rd., was arrested at 2225 N. Hobart on charges of theft and aggravated assault.

#### TUESDAY, May 22

Raul Hilario Davila, 39, Dumas, was arrested at Hobart and Alcock on charges of driving while intoxicated and unlawful carrying of a weapon.

#### DPS - Arrests

#### SATURDAY, May 19

Rudolph Lavaughn Jenkins, 40, 312 N. Wells, was arrested at FM 282, 1/4 mile north of U.S. 60, and charged with driving while intoxicated (third offense), violation of open container law, failure to drive in a single lane, right turn too wide, consuming an alcoholic beverage while driving and not wearing a seatbelt.

#### SUNDAY, May 20

Rusty Wayne Ehrlich, 18, 308 Anne, was arrested on Texas 70, seven miles south of Pampa, and charged with driving while intoxicated (first offense), failure to maintain single lane, no proof of liability insurance and failure to display driver's license.

#### GRAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

#### MONDAY, May 21

Doug Medley, 31, south of Pampa, was arrested in the 1600 block of South Barnes and charged with public intoxication.

James Sells, 20, 925 E. Albert, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass.

Tonya Williams, 21, 600 1/2 N. Sumner, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass.

## Hospital

### CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions

Madge Bettis, Canadian

Kennard Groves, Pampa

Antonio Lucero, Borger

Michael Ray, Lefors

Virgie Twigg, Pampa

Joe Wheelley, White Deer

### Dismissals

Marietta Baird, Pampa

Concha Diaz, Pampa

Linda Purcell, Canadian

Claude Rhoades, Pampa

Bennie Woodward, Deer

### Skellytown

Gladys Nash (extended care), White Deer

### Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Carter of Pampa, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Martin McGahan of Pampa, a girl.

### SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions

Vada Settle, Shamrock

Samuel Medina, Shamrock

### Dismissals

James Blakemore, Shamrock

Vada Settle, Shamrock

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa		
Wheat	3.00	
Milo	4.00	
Com	4.62	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:		
Ky. Cent. Life	14 7/8	
Serico	6 5/8	
Occidental	27 5/8	
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		
Magellan	59.21	
Puritan	13.37	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa		
Amoco	54 3/8	up 1/8
Arco	120 1/8	up 3/8
Cabot	31	up 1/8
Cabot O&G	16 1/4	up 1/4
Chevron	70 1/8	up 1/8
Coca-Cola	43 7/8	up 3/8
Enron	56 5/8	up 1/8
Halliburton	49 3/4	up 3/8
Ingersoll Rand	59 7/8	up 5/8
KNE	23 3/4	up 1/8
Kerr McGee	48 7/8	up 1/8
Limited	47 5/8	up 3/8
Mapco	40	up 1/2
Maxus	10 5/8	dn 1/4
McDonald's	33 3/4	up 1/4
Mesa Ltd.	4 5/8	NC
Mobil	62 1/4	dn 1/8
New Atmos	17 1/8	NC
Penney's	65 3/4	up 3/8
Phillips	27 3/8	up 3/8
SLB	58	NC
SPS	28 3/4	up 1/8
Tenneco	68 3/8	up 1/8
Texasco	60 1/4	up 1/4
New York Gold	375.50	
Silver	5.18	

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, May 21

12:01 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a request to follow up a mobile home fire at 1700 W. Kentucky that had been put out by the owner.

10:04 p.m. - Smoke scare was reported at 829 Price Rd. No fire was found. Two units and three firefighters responded.

11:07 p.m. - House fire at 1340 Terrace caused extensive damage to structure. One juvenile was killed. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. Three units and six firefighters responded. (See related story, Page 1.)

## Minor accidents

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

## Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	665-8481
SPS	669-7432
Water	665-3881

# Bush decides to extend favored trade status to China, officials say

By TOM RAUM  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush is expected to grant China a one-year-extension of most-favored-nation trading status, even though the action could provoke a new China-policy confrontation with Congress, administration officials say.

Bush may outline his decision - continuing preferable tariff rates for Chinese exports - at today's weekly leadership meeting with congressional Republicans.

The president was expected to formally notify Congress of the move before the end of the week, said officials who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

Bush was planning to make the extension provisional, based on China's human-rights performance over the coming months, said the officials.

Bush went over details of his decision with national security adviser Brent Scowcroft on their flight back to Washington Monday night from California. Bush had been on a four-day speaking tour of Texas and the West Coast.

Sen. Pete Wilson, R-Calif., who accompanied Bush on the flight, said that he did not expect Congress to react as negatively to the move as it had last winter when Bush vetoed legislation extending the visas of Chinese students.

"It's not as emotional an issue," Wilson said. "Most people in the nation don't even know what MFN is."

Most-favored-nation (MFN) trading status guarantees China the same treatment as this nation's best trading partners, including lowest-possible tariffs.

This benefit has provided preferential tariffs for about \$12 billion in Chinese products shipped to the United States each year, mostly textiles and toys.

Bush is required under law to act one way or another by June 3. But sources said he would rather deal with the issue - sure to touch off another round of criticism in Congress - now rather than wait until the deadline,

which is only one day before the first anniversary of China's bloody repression of pro-democracy demonstrators in Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

The president also would like to clear the boards of the decision before the May 30-June 3 summit with Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the officials said, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Although Bush has recently voiced disappointment with China's failure to ease restrictions on dissidents, he considers depriving China of most-favored-nation status a drastic step that could have widespread trade implications, the officials said.

Bush himself expressed reservations at a news conference last week about stripping China of the trade benefits, in part in fear that it would harm the economy of Hong Kong.

Some \$8.5 billion worth of China-made goods are re-exported to the United States each year, passing through Hong Kong. Officials of the enclave on the South coast of China have claimed that revocation of China's most-favored-nation status would make these goods subject to tariffs of up to 70 percent.

Some nations, including the Soviet Union, have been denied most-favored-nation treatment because of their restrictive human-rights policies.

Congress can block Bush's decision, but it seems unlikely it could muster the two-third majorities needed to do so.

However, Bush's decision seemed certain to renew congressional criticism of his China policy, which many lawmakers have said is too accommodating to the existing regime in Beijing.

Bush, a former U.S. envoy to China, won a bruising veto battle with Congress last winter on a bill that would have extended the visas of Chinese students in the United States.

Bush argued that he was offering the Chinese students the same safe haven though administrative actions.

# Palestinians continue protests in Israel

By KARIN LAUB  
Associated Press Writer

JERUSALEM (AP) - Palestinians closed shops and schools today and stayed home from jobs in Israel to protest the massacre of seven Palestinian laborers by an Israeli gunman. The army confined about 1.5 million Arabs to their homes to thwart protests.

Also today, a Palestinian died from wounds suffered in an earlier clash with Israeli troops, bringing to 11 the number of Arabs killed in rioting to protest the shooting attack Sunday. More than 800 Palestinians have been wounded in clashes with soldiers.

The Israeli army continued to enforce a curfew on the Gaza Strip, home of the slain laborers, and most of the West Bank in an effort to quell the protests. Many Palestinians have defied the curfew.

Many of the 800,000 Arabs living inside Israel returned to work and studies today after staging protests and a one-day solidarity strike Monday with their Palestinian brethren in the occupied lands.

But scattered anti-Israeli protests persisted, and two Palestinians were reported wounded in clashes with troops.

Israel army radio reported that Arab youths erected stone barricades and burned tires in northern Israeli towns and villages.

In Nazareth, Israel's largest Arab town with 100,000 people, large police forces were deployed today after hundreds of youths waged street battles with security forces on Monday.

Protesters, many of them masked, threw stones and nail-studded potatoes at police and set tires on fire. They also burned down an Israeli bank and damaged a department store and tax office with stones. Fourteen Arabs and 10 police officers were hurt. More than

30 Arabs were arrested. Nazareth Mayor Tewfik Ziad today accused police of provoking the violence by breaking up a peaceful march of mourning for the massacre victims.

"Police shot thousands of rubber and plastic bullets and tear gas bombs, entered houses and beat people," Ziad said on Israeli radio.

He rejected Israeli concerns that the riot, one of the worst ever by Israeli Arabs, signaled that the Palestinian uprising, was spilling into Israel from the occupied areas.

"Whoever says this just wants to justify attacks on (Israeli) Arabs," said Ziad, a former member of parliament.

Meanwhile, the suspect in Sunday's massacre, 21-year-old Avi Popper, was undergoing psychiatric evaluation. Authorities have characterized him as "deranged" and upset by an unhappy love affair.

# City Commission to meet at Lamar tonight

Pampa city commissioners, in an effort to take their meetings to the public rather than forcing the public to come to City Hall, will convene at Lamar Elementary School, 1234 S. Nelson, for their 6 p.m. meeting today.

A work session, open to the public, will begin at 4 p.m. at the school campus and will include a review of the proposed cable television franchise that commissioners will submit to Sammons Communications.

Members of a citizen/commissioners cable franchise board drew up a proposed franchise two weeks ago, which will be submitted to

Sammons as a beginning point in franchise negotiations.

That franchise includes pay-per-view channels, and at least 40 basic offerings in addition to three public access outlets, City Manager Glen Hackler said.

Other items to be discussed during the work session include a review of the proposed 1991 budget and debt service.

During the regular meeting, commissioners will consider awarding a bid relative to delinquent tax property pursuant to the minimum bid program, and a bid by three companies for service bodies for

two city trucks. Hackler and Mayor Richard Peet have said commission meetings will be held in each of the four city wards.

"The second meeting of the month through the summer will be in the community by wards," Hackler said. "In June it will be in Ward 3, in July in Ward 2 and August, Ward 1. The whole idea is to increase accessibility of the city commission to the public, and, in turn, increase the city's responsiveness to community needs."

Sites for the three meetings have not yet been determined.

# Changes in drug medication helping Stormie in her transplant recovery

By TARA BRADLEY-STECK  
Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Changes in Stormie Jones' experimental anti-rejection medication quieted doctors' fears the world's longest surviving heart-liver transplant patient was rejecting her second donor liver.

"Her condition's excellent. She just needed an adjustment in her medication," said Dr. Robert D. Gordon, transplant surgeon at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

"When you're using a new drug you're a little sensitive to toxicity, over-sensitive perhaps. We now realize we lowered our dosages a little too much," he said Monday.

The 12-year-old from White Settlement, Texas, returned to Pittsburgh Sunday after routine tests showed she had high liver enzyme levels - a sign of possible organ rejection - despite taking the Japanese drug FK-506 since her last operation on Feb. 20.

Stormie will receive higher doses of FK-506 intravenously until she is discharged, hopefully within a few days, and will take the drug orally when she goes home, Gordon

said. Modifications in dosages also will be made for many of the 400 transplant patients currently taking FK-506. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the drug for use only at Children's and nearby Presbyterian-University Hospital.

"I think we've been making that error systematically over the last few months. We've made a correction now in all our treatment," Gordon said.

"Every transplant patient is always walking a fine balance. In general, as patients get further out they tend to require less medication to maintain the graft. But they almost all require some" medication, he said.

The surgeon called Stormie's latest medical bout a "mild rejection episode," which he said was not uncommon within the first few months of a transplant.

"We're not alarmed," said Gordon, who performed Stormie's historic heart-liver transplant on Feb. 14, 1984. "We don't think this liver is in jeopardy or that she's looking at another transplant."

That's good news for Stormie,

who has been eagerly awaiting a party for her 13th birthday on May 31, said her mother, Lois "Suzie" Purcell.

"Thirteen is a very special time in someone's life. So she's looking forward to that," she said. "She's excited. She's running around all over the place."

National attention has been focused on Stormie since she received her double transplant to control a congenital condition that left her cholesterol levels 10 times higher than normal.

She returned to Pittsburgh in November 1989 after hepatitis damaged her first donor liver. Up until that time, she had been taking cyclosporine, an anti-rejection medication that lowers the body's ability to fight infection.

Mrs. Purcell said she thinks she understands the public's fascination for her daughter, who only slightly tolerates all the media attention.

"She was the first, and she has survived so long and done so well," she said. "A lot of people ... just reached down because of this little 6-year-old child and started caring. She really did capture a lot of people's hearts."

Stormie filed a report of aggravated assault in relation to the incident.

However, Hall said Casel is only being held on the theft charge at present.

"The prosecuting attorney may want to reclassify this or not file it at all," Hall said.

"We will have CID (criminal investigation division) look into it." Casel remained in city jail through press time today.

# Shoplifting suspect involved in knife assault

A suspected shoplifter at Wal-Mart, 2225 N. Hobart, reportedly had to be disarmed after he pulled a knife on store employees trying to keep him from leaving the business Monday afternoon.

Roderic Durrell Casel, 23, whose address was listed as 1008 Crane Rd., was arrested by police at the store at 1:30 p.m. Monday after store employees reportedly caught him leaving the business with

stolen clothing.

"At some point from the time the employee stopped him until the police arrived, he allegedly pulled a knife on the employee," said Ken Hall, deputy chief of police.

"No one was cut or injured, and employees were able to get it away from him," he said.

Police records show Scott McCormick, a Wal-Mart employee,

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## Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**  
Tonight, fair with a low in the upper 50s, southerly to southeasterly winds 5-15 mph. Wednesday, mostly sunny with a high in the upper 80s. Monday's high was 81 degrees; the overnight low was 50 degrees.

**EXTENDED FORECAST**  
**Thursday through Saturday**  
West Texas - Panhandle, South Plains: A slight chance of thunderstorms each day. Highs low 90s Thursday. Cooling to upper 70s to low 80s by Saturday. Lows low to mid 60s Thursday cooling to near 60 by Saturday. Permian Basin: Warm with a slight chance of thunderstorms each day. Highs low to mid 90s Thursday cooling to mid 80s by Saturday. Lows mid to upper 60s. Far West: Generally fair each day. Highs low to mid 90s Thursday and Saturday with mid 80s Friday. Lows low to mid 60s each morning. Big Bend: A slight chance of thunderstorms Thursday. Otherwise warm and dry. Highs mid 80s mountains, 100 to 105 lower elevations. Lows 50s mountains with 60s lower elevations.

**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
West Texas - Isolated evening thunderstorms in Big Bend, otherwise mostly fair but with areas of low clouds forming in the Concho Valley after midnight. Wednesday, early morning low clouds Concho Valley. Mostly sunny elsewhere except widely scattered afternoon thunderstorms Big Bend. Lows tonight from near 50 mountains to mid 60s Concho Valley. Highs Wednesday from upper 80s Panhandle and mountains to near 102 Big Bend valleys.

North Texas - Clear tonight with lows in the lower and mid 60s. Fair and a little warmer Wednesday. Highs in the mid 80s to lower 90s.

South Texas - Partly cloudy through Wednesday with isolated mainly afternoon and evening

showers or thunderstorms. Continued mild nights and warm days. Highs Wednesday 80s and 90s, near 100 Rio Grande plains. Lows tonight in the 60s and 70s.

**THURSDAY through Saturday**  
West Texas - Panhandle, South Plains: A



# Greyhound offers to exchange junk bonds at discount

By JOHN A. BOLT  
AP Business Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Greyhound Lines Inc., seeking to replace cash spent on fighting a bus drivers' strike and avert bankruptcy, is asking junk bond holders to turn in their notes at a steep discount.

The company also said it will change its pay scale for drivers and withdraw proposed bonus and pension schemes to save money.

"The ability to restructure the balance sheet in some way is very important to avoid bankruptcy," said Michael Doyle, the company's chief financial officer.

"The cost of the strike has been pretty expensive," Doyle said, and cash is "very tight." Nevertheless, he said the only nationwide bus company is able to meet its payroll and buy fuel.

Greyhound issued a variety of junk bonds to refinance debt taken on in a leveraged buyout three years ago.

The bonds include \$150 million due in 1995 that pay interest of 13 percent and \$75 million of 12.5 percent bonds due in 1997. The two issues represented more than half of the company's total debt of \$359 million at the end of 1989.

The company is technically in default on the first issue after missing a recent interest payment, and note-holders could force the company into bankruptcy.

As a result, Greyhound said it was making a cash tender offer to redeem the 13 percent notes at 54 percent of their face value and the 12.5 percent notes at 27.5 percent.

"The offers are being made in connection with an overall financial restructuring plan being developed by the company in an effort to avoid bankruptcy reorganization," Greyhound said.

Doyle said both offers are higher than prices currently quoted for the bonds in secondary markets.

The offer is conditional on its acceptance by a majority of noteholders, plus their agreement to a change in some terms on the notes, especially those that restrict Greyhound's indebtedness and call for certain levels of net worth.

Another condition is Greyhound's ability to find financing to buy the bonds "and to satisfy its immediate working capital needs."

Analysts have said Greyhound cash shortages — not bondholder actions — would be more likely reasons for bankruptcy.

Most of Greyhound's 6,300 bus drivers walked out

March 2 in a dispute over wages and job security. Greyhound immediately began operating a reduced schedule with newly hired drivers.

After attempts to reopen negotiations collapsed, Chairman Fred G. Currey said May 7 the strike had become "irrelevant" because the carrier had enough drivers to operate.

Union officials say their strike will continue to hobble Greyhound and the company will have to return to the bargaining table.

Last week, a National Labor Relations official suggested the company had engaged in an unfair labor practice by instituting its contract offer on March 2. Such a finding, if upheld, could force the company to rehire union drivers and pay back wages.

Greyhound said the strike caused it to lose \$56 million in the first three months of the year.

The company missed a \$9.75 million interest payment due May 15 on the 13 percent notes and did not pay about \$5 million in leases due at the end of April.

Those missed payments left the door open for creditors to begin proceedings that could force the company into bankruptcy.

"This is a way of starting a dialogue with noteholders," Doyle said of the tender offer. The company put

no time limit on the offer, although Doyle said regulations require it to be open for at least 20 business days.

"If they were to get this exchange offer off successfully, I would assume that they would avoid Chapter 11," said analyst Ken Frankel with Drake Capital Securities Inc. in Santa Monica, Calif. "If they don't get it off, all bets are off."

Under Chapter 11 of the federal Bankruptcy Code, companies are protected from creditors while they reorganize.

Greyhound has hired Goldman, Sachs & Co. as a financial advisor to help in the debt restructuring.

In another effort to save money, Greyhound said it would implement an hourly wage scale on Sept. 1, replacing its mileage-based scale for drivers.

Spokesman George Gravley said the change from 30 cents a mile to \$12.79 an hour effectively would increase pay for drivers on the East and West Coasts, but "flatten or depress" wages in the middle of the country.

The company also withdrew bonus and pension provisions it had proposed but not implemented.

In a letter last week to all employees, Vice President P. Anthony Lannie said, "We simply can no longer afford to continue these programs."

"We cannot successfully refinance the business with these features in place," he said.

## Clements, lawmakers still at odds over school finance reform plan

By MICHAEL HOLMES  
and PEGGY FIKAC  
Associated Press Writers

AUSTIN (AP) — After 2 1/2 months of trying, many Democratic lawmakers said they're tired of talking with Gov. Bill Clements and are ready to try to override his threatened veto of a school finance reform bill.

"We are not open for negotiations. We are not looking for anything else to do," said Rep. Mark Stiles, D-Beaumont.

"The governor can veto it and we can try to override it — or let the court draw it up."

The Legislature has been in special session since Feb. 27 trying to overhaul the \$13.5 billion-a-year school finance system to meet a June 1 court-ordered deadline for action.

Under a 9-0 Texas Supreme Court ruling, the state is required to make more money available to poor school districts. If lawmakers and the governor fail to write a plan, a court-appointed special master will do it for them.

The Legislature last week approved a reform plan which would cost about \$555 million the first year. But Clements opposes the

half-cent sales tax increase needed to pay for it.

"We're frustrated. We're tired. No more negotiations ... If he vetoes it, let the master do it," said Rep. Eddie Cavazos, D-Corpus Christi, echoing sentiments of many of his colleagues.

Legislative leaders and Clements negotiated through the day Monday, and the governor withheld his threatened veto.

"They're continuing to talk to me," the Republican governor said. Aides said Clements quickly would decide whether to veto the school bill, possibly today.

"There's still talks going on and the veto obviously puts an end to those talks," said Mike Toomey, the governor's chief of staff.

However, House Speaker Gib Lewis and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby said many lawmakers were tired of negotiating.

"I think we've about reached the end of negotiation. How much can you negotiate?" said Lewis, D-Fort Worth.

Lewis and Hobby told Clements Monday afternoon that they would work to find enough votes to override his veto.

"If the governor feels compelled to veto the bill, he'll have to do that, and we'll have to make

an attempt to override," Lewis said.

But then Monday night, the speaker's office asked Clements to temporarily withhold his veto, said Rossanna Salazar, the governor's press secretary.

"He (Clements) expected to veto it tonight. The House came over with this overture to wait," she said.

Clements said he would keep talking, but emphasized again that he won't approve any bill which requires an increase of the state's 6 percent sales tax.

"I'm not going to agree to a sales tax. Period," Clements said.

Hobby said if the required two-thirds of House and Senate members won't vote to override a Clements veto, the court-appointed master's plan likely will go into effect.

"It will be devastating," Hobby said of a no-new-money court plan. He estimated that such a scheme would strip \$70 million to \$75 million from Dallas schools and \$40 million from the Houston Independent School District.

"It will be a real tragedy for this state," Hobby said.

Court master William Kilgarlin has said that because he can't order new taxes, his plan could shift state aid from wealthy to poor school districts.



(AP Laserphoto)

Michael Sharp, 11, right, tells of his experiences with a mystery illness while his mother, Linda, looks on during a press conference Monday at the Scott and White Memorial Hospital and Clinic in Temple.

## Doctor: Mystery disease affecting children may be statewide problem

By JAN RICH  
Associated Press Writer

TEMPLE (AP) — A mystery disease originally thought to affect rural East and Central Texas children may be showing up in other areas of the state, says a doctor treating the ailment.

The disease, which has caused the hospitalization of a number of children, may have broken out in Houston and other urban areas, said Dr. Jeffrey W. Jundt, an arthritis specialist at Scott & White Memorial Hospital and Clinic in Temple.

Jundt said Houston may have 24 cases, based on phone calls he received after a newspaper article on the disease appeared Sunday. As news of the disease spreads, so may reports from other cities, he said Monday.

In addition to the Houston cases, doctors from the Texas Department of Health and the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta are investigating 50 to 60 other reported cases, primarily in rural areas of Texas, Jundt said.

The disease, dubbed "Palestine Fever" because three of the seven cases confirmed since March have

been in children from Palestine, can incapacitate its victims for several weeks, causing high fevers, vomiting, debilitating joint pain, welt-like rashes and seizures.

Although the symptoms can force hospitalization for prolonged periods, "None of the children has died from this disease," Jundt said. "The majority of the kids are doing quite well."

At least four of the children have been hospitalized, Jundt said.

The condition can be mistaken for other diseases because it causes symptoms similar to strep throat, rheumatoid arthritis, Lyme disease or systemic lupus, Jundt said.

These diseases have been eliminated as the causes of Palestine Fever, which has been discovered in children ages 3 to 12.

One of Jundt's earliest reported cases was Michael Sharp Jr., 11, of Copperas Cove in Central Texas. The boy was hospitalized for approximately a month with fevers of up to 105 degrees.

His case was originally diagnosed as strep throat and then as appendicitis.

Michael, a fifth-grader, said he "got scared" during his illness.

"You're never sure if you're going to die. When I ate something, I vomited it up," he said at a news conference with Jundt.

Jundt said the boy, like most of the other victims, was given high doses of aspirin to reduce his constantly fluctuating fever until the aspirin affected his liver.

Antibiotics are also given to alleviate symptoms, Jundt said. They seem to help because when antibiotics are discontinued, the disease can reoccur, he said.

Despite the severe symptoms and lengthy illnesses, the children affected do not seem to suffer permanent damage, Jundt said.

However, Michael still is trying to regain some of the 21 pounds he lost during his illness.

"My husband and I were just frustrated," his mother, Linda Sharp, said. "He just withered away in front of us."

Doctors do not know how the disease is transmitted or whether it is a bacterial or viral infection. Entire families are not usually affected by it, leading doctors to believe it is not contagious.

The seven confirmed cases also include one Fairfield child, one in Temple and one in Cameron.

## DPS reminds motorists to drive safely

It's nearing the beginning of summer, and with it comes the end of another school year. Children will soon be filling the streets to play and parents will be planning for that summer vacation.

Maj. Vernon Cawthon, regional commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, reminded parents and motorists that safety should continue to be part of their daily routine.

Cawthon suggested parents should instruct their children in the safe operation of all recreational equipment, such as all-terrain vehicles, bicycles, scooters, motorbikes and skateboards. He said parents should reinforce the instruction on proper use, care of and laws applying to all such equipment.

Safety equipment, such as pads and helmets, should be worn to minimize injuries, he said. Smaller children should be instructed to never ride such equipment as ATV's and scooters without appropriate supervision.

"If you are going to be around water this summer, remember, never let anyone swim alone," Cawthon said. "Establish pool rules. Keep electrical appliances away from the water. Prohibit horseplay."

"Never leave a child alone and never consider young children water-safe despite their swimming skills."

Cawthon said motorists should use extra caution when driving in residential areas, remembering that longer hours of daylight are now here.

"Always be looking out for children darting in and out from behind parked cars," he said. "Never assume that a child will see you. Slow down and honk your horn to get their attention, if needed."

Maj. Cawthon noted that Memorial Day, May 28, signals the beginning of summer vacation.

"During this holiday period, there will be more vehicles on the roadways of Texas, because of school being out and many families are starting their summer vacations."

With the increase of traffic, the danger of more accidents, more injuries and more deaths naturally increases, he explained.

"This holiday period, all available Department of Public Safety troopers will be on the road and will be especially watchful for individuals committing hazardous violations, especially those speeding, passing in no-passing zones, and the people who have been drinking and refuse to stop driving," Cawthon said.

Recreational areas are always flooded with traffic and other activities, and he urged Texas motorists to be especially careful and to exercise caution around these areas during this holiday and throughout the summer.

"Remember to take that two seconds that it takes to reach for that seat belt and to buckle up and to use that same two seconds to think about what you have in this life, and how easily it can end," Cawthon suggested.

## Flood waters still plague Liberty County

By The Associated Press

The rain-swollen Trinity River continued to cause havoc in Southeast Texas while the American Red Cross planned to open seven area disaster centers to help flood victims.

The rising waters washed over another rampart Monday when a 6-foot dike made by Howard Pipkins to protect his home on the Liberty Bell Ranch broke, sending in flooding waters.

"I hate to see that happen," said Jim Mitchum, coordinator of the Liberty County emergency management office. "He worked real hard to get that house from getting water. He was talking earlier about jacking up the house in case (the dike) broke."

Pipkins' home was filled last summer with 2 feet of water, forcing his family to move into a trailer while the house was remodeled. They moved back into the home located just off U.S. Highway 90 near Liberty less than two months ago.

During the past two weeks, the country-style home complete with white picket fence had become an island in the middle of the flooded river bottom.

"It's a brand new house and brand new furniture. It's worth it, except I probably shouldn't be talking to none of you media because if it doesn't work, I'll just look like the biggest fool around here," Pipkins told reporters last week.

Pipkins' wife and two children

left last week to stay with relatives, but he had been monitoring the rising waters around the dike and tending to the livestock that he moved to higher ground.

Pipkins was not at his flooded home late Monday and could not be reached for comment by The Associated Press.

The Pipkins family is one of the those the Red Cross is aiming to assist.

The agency said it was opening disaster assistance centers today in seven Texas counties — Liberty, Polk, San Jacinto, Madison, Houston, Trinity and Walker — to help victims get money for food, clothing, household furnishings and medical aid.

"We figure these service centers are going to be pretty busy," Red Cross spokesman Bill Barron said.

The Red Cross estimates 4,600 homes have been affected by floodwaters in the seven-county area, although Barron could not say whether that many homes actually had been flooded.

"We will do a survey later on to try to assess the damage to the homes," he said. "In a lot of these places you can't get in to do a survey now."

Barron said 500 people have stayed at Red Cross shelters since the waters of the Trinity began rising more than a week ago. The agency also has distributed more than 9,000 meals from shelters and mobile kitchens.

The Trinity River was marked at 29.83 feet in Liberty late Monday evening, surpassing the previous record depth of 29.51 feet in 1942, Mitchum said. But officials said it appeared the river was stabilizing.

U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen introduced legislation Monday in Washington to extend crop assistance measures designed for drought-stricken farmers to their flooded counterparts. U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm co-sponsored the bill.

Bentsen said farmers with flooded lands in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana deserve the same type of help provided those who lost crops to drought in 1988 and 1989.

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## Opinion

### Gorbachev needs a dressing down

The extraordinary demonstrations in Red Square earlier this month ought to suggest, perhaps, that the West's infatuation with Mikhail Gorbachev deserves some rethinking.

On May Day, when Kremlin celebrates all the good communism has done for the workers of the world, some of those workers in Red Square — the capital of communism — carried signs that read: "Down with the empire of red fascism," "Caeuscus of the Politburo: Out of your armchairs and into jail," and "Gorbachev: We've had enough of you making fools of the people — resign with your team."

Gorbachev and Co. watched the protests from the customary perch atop Lenin's mausoleum, then quickly departed in shame.

President Bush should take note. He has played a coy game with Gorbachev, tolerating the Soviets' clampdown on Lithuania, and massacres in Azerbaijan and Georgia. Bush sits amidst a swirl of adulation of Gorbachev by the Western press. He should rather take his cue from the protesters at May Day.

Perhaps the citizens of Moscow know better than Bush what Gorbachev has really meant for their country. For a long time the CIA has estimated that the Soviet economy is about half the size of America's. But new studies by American academics, seconded by Soviet economists, indicate that the Soviet economy is at most about one-fourth ours, and may be as little as one-tenth. Some estimates, discussed in the April 28 *Economist*, peg the Soviet worker's average annual income at just \$1,500 — hardly better than Romania under Ceausescu — and declining fast. One wonders whether Gorbachev will even survive in power for his summit later this month in Washington, D.C.

If we don't help him, could Gorbachev be replaced by a hard-liner, as the Bush administration claims? The evidence from Eastern Europe argues a different conclusion. People Power there has forced hard-line communists to give way to free governments.

Across the world on May Day, another celebration of sorts took place at a hotel in Orange County, Calif., one that better represents the shape of the world to come than May Day's deathwatch for socialism. The conference, entitled "Orange County in the International Marketplace," was attended by representatives of such countries as Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, West Germany and England.

The keynote speaker was Frans Andriessen of the Netherlands, a senior European trade diplomat, who spoke on how Europe's 1992 economic integration will affect Orange County and the world.

Perhaps Gorbachev ought to take note of the guest list. Nations who wish to feed and clothe their own people, who wish to prosper in the free world market that is rapidly developing, ought to be attentive to such conferences. The Soviet Union was not represented at the conference. Lithuania was.

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## There's a limit to offensiveness

Poor Jimmy Breslin. So-called comedian Andrew Dice Clay get laughs, not lynch mobs, when he disparages Asian-Americans as "slant-eyed," just as when he describes Arab-Americans as "urine-colored" or refers to women in vulgar terms. Clay is quickly growing rich and famous. How was Breslin to know that newspaper columnists are judged by a different standard?

Breslin, who is on the staff of *New York Newsday*, was infuriated by a note from a female, Korean-American colleague criticizing a column he had written. He promptly scurried into the newsroom and threw a tantrum, calling the offending woman a "yellow cur" and a "slant-eyed."

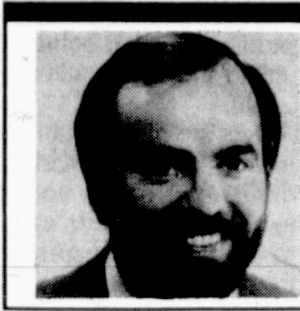
Perhaps sensing the gravity of his mistake, Breslin soon apologized to his coworkers and to the unfortunate woman. But when he went on the radio and joked about the incident, prompting *Newsday* to suspend him for two weeks without pay.

For that, and for the reminder that public offensiveness is not always excusable, we can be grateful. Breslin may not have realized there are limits to what Americans will tolerate from the famous. Certainly the limits are expansive.

Marion Barry smokes crack on police videotape and looks like he can be re-elected mayor of Washington, Madonna blasphemes Catholicism and becomes a superstar. Musicians and actors become drug addicts, knowing that when they're ready to clean up, *People* magazine will give them a plug.

What they and the rest of us have figured out is that infamy is far preferable to obscurity. Celebrity means never having to say you're sorry. There are exceptions, though. Breslin found one of them: behaving so despicably that no one can overlook your conduct. This kind of violation is rare.

More common is the Andy Rooney goof:



Stephen Chapman

offending a politically well-organized group that tolerates no disrespect. Rooney managed to antagonize both blacks and gays, two groups that have raised taking umbrage to an art form. Jimmy the Greek and Al Campanis offended blacks. Jesse Jackson insulted Jews. Each paid a price.

But these days, that sort of penalty is the exception. Obnoxious behavior has become one avenue to success. It worked for Morton Downey Jr. It works for TV shows like *Married... With Children* and *The Simpsons*. It works for comics and disc jockeys who specialize in locker-room humor and nasty put-downs. When these fads fade, as in Downey's case, the cause is not moral disgust but simple boredom.

Mass culture is only reflecting trends in high culture. Robert Mapplethorpe might have been a respected artist if he had never taken pictures of anything but flowers, but his talent for shocking depictions of gay sex was what really made his reputation.

If modern novelists and playwrights couldn't write about sexual perversion, mental derangement and pointless violence, a lot of them apparently wouldn't be able to write at all. Filmmakers, from the artist to the most commercial, relish con-

fronting viewers with humanity's least appealing qualities.

The mantra of the arts community is that great art is supposed to shock. But a steady diet of this sort of thing simply inoculates people against shock. The offensive becomes mundane. Artists have to devise desperately bizarre tricks just to keep jaded audiences from dozing off.

The average person, constantly told that he has no right to pass moral judgment on works that offend his moral standards, eventually loses confidence in those standards.

He may live his own life in accordance with his view of morality; he may raise his children that way; he may expect his friends and immediate neighbors to conduct themselves more or less that way. But the standards end where the public sphere begins.

He doesn't really expect the famous to observe the same rules, and he isn't sure he has the right to be angry when they don't. Nor does he expect a general social consensus to uphold his moral standards. He's absorbed the incessant message: Morality is for dweebs. Even decent manners are suspect artifacts of a constipated white, middle-class culture.

Freedom is a good thing, and it requires letting people make their own choices about morality. But it doesn't require pretending that all choices are morally equal. The less we rely on our rulers to enforce morality by law, the greater our duty to promote it through our own conduct and attitudes. The alternatives is to concede the extinction of what we value.

The outcome of the Breslin episode says Americans still have some shared moral standards that may not be defied with impunity. It's a reminder that giving in to nihilism is not our only option.

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, May 22, the 142nd day of 1990. There are 223 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 22, 1969, while the astronauts aboard "Apollo 10" orbited the moon, the spacecraft's lunar module (nicknamed "Snoopy") separated from the command module (nicknamed "Charlie Brown") and flew to within nine miles of the lunar surface in a dress rehearsal for the first moon landing the following July.

On this date:

In 1813, composer Richard Wagner was born in Leipzig, Germany.

In 1868, the "Great Train Robbery" took place in Indiana as seven men held up the crew, detached the locomotive, and made off with \$98,000 in cash.

In 1939, Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini signed a "Pact of Steel" committing Germany and Italy to a military alliance.

In 1987, a tornado devastated the small west Texas town of Saragosa, killing 30 people and injuring 162.



## New meeting way not for him

You know the old joke about the doctor, businessman and lawyer swimming in shark-infested waters.

The doctor and the businessman are eaten alive, but the sharks don't attack the lawyer.

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Back in the 1987, Maya Brodie was a law student at Washington University. She was spending an evening in a tavern.

Charles A. "Chep" Hurth III was also a law student who was also at the tavern.

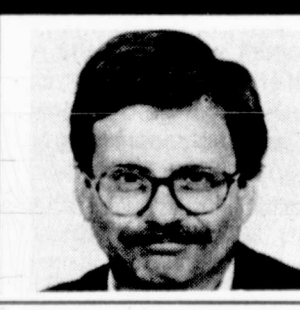
Chep Hurth noticed Maya Brodie.

He said to a friend, "Somebody ought to bite her on the butt."

So he did. Bit her right on the butt, right there in the tavern.

Maya Brodie sued for damages. Said she had been humiliated. Said she had missed three days of classes because of the ensuing pain that made it impossible for her to sit.

Chep Hurth testified he'd bitten two other women on the butt before and they hadn't sued. He



Lewis Grizzard

said he meant the bite to be a compliment. As in, he didn't bite the butts of women he didn't think were attractive.

A jury recently awarded Maya Brodie, now 26 and a practicing lawyer, \$27,500 from Chep Hurth, now 29 and also a lawyer.

But lawyer-biting-lawyer aside, I asked myself if there was something even more significant here.

I've been out of the singles bar scene for a while but could butt-biting in a bar be some sort of new preppy mating ritual?

Chep Hurth, an admitted preppy, got away with his first two bites. Was Maya Brodie just oversensitive? If young lawyers are biting butts, could young stockbrokers and chiropractors be far behind? What if this thing really caught on?

In my day, we tried to meet women in bars by

striking up interesting conversations with them.

The most widely used opening lines were: "What's your sign?" and the ever popular, "Do you think wrestling is fake?"

Now, if you spot an attractive woman in a bistro, and you want to meet her, do you walk over and bite her in the butt?

"Who's that biting my butt?" she asks.

"It is I, Tripp. What's your name?"

"Geri."

"That's a lovely name. What's your sign?"

"Virgo."

"I'm Pisces."

"Say, didn't you bite me on the butt two weeks ago?"

"I thought that bite felt familiar."

"Your place or mine?"

I'm sort of glad I'm out of the singles bar thing now. If butt-biting catches on as a way to meet women, I think I would have a hard time taking part.

My teeth aren't what they used to be, my back hurts when I bend over, and couldn't you catch something?

I still prefer the old method of meeting women.

I'm a Libra and Freddie Blassie is my all time favorite wrestler. Let's get out of here before somebody bites us on the butt.

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## Sizing up those flight attendants ...

By SARAH OVERSTREET

I'll never forget my first plane trip. It was shortly after I graduated from college in the mid-1970s. I know that must sound sort of late, but I was the kid of two railroad telegraphers and rode all over the country half-fare until the demise of passenger trains. Until then, I just hadn't needed to fly anywhere.

But there I was when my plane touched down in Dallas, wearing my little business suit and feeling a lot like the woman on the cover of *Savvy* magazine. I looked out my window, and to my surprise, I saw a giant billboard for Southwest Airlines featuring at least one stewardess in hot pants. (There actually may have been several, but I think I have tried to block out the sight over the years.)

As luck would have it, I was booked on Southwest to Houston, and I had a thigh-level view of two sets of

gorgeous tanned legs as the young female flight attendants moved up and down the aisle. There were no male flight attendants with corresponding hairy gams in hot trousers.

"What the devil is that all about?" I asked my friend when she picked me up at the airport, pointing up to the billboard as we passed it.

"Oh, they're just trying to woo the male business commuter," she explained.

"But I thought the days of 'Coffee, tea or me?' were history," I said. "And then the first time I got on a plane, it's 'Hi, I'm Patty. Fly me.' I can't believe it!"

"Sugar, this is Texas," she replied.

I've been flying back and forth to Texas for a long time now, and I'm happy to report the billboards are gone, and I haven't seen a pair of hot pants in years. It seems attendants on all the airlines I've flown are getting older and fewer of them are the hot-pant variety.

I was beginning to believe we have truly turned a corner toward equal employment opportunity for flight attendants until American Airlines instituted their wacky weight policy.

According to American's rule book, "a firm, trim silhouette, free of bulges, rolls or paunches, is necessary for an alert, efficient image." They also have a chart of weight standards for their attendants to meet that is based on some insurance figures of how much men and women should weigh according to their heights. You know those charts. They lean toward the lean, to say the least.

"An alert, efficient image?" Who are they trying to kid? If there were some safety reason why people with "bulges, rolls or paunches" shouldn't be flight attendants, such as being unable to move up and down the aisles easily or perform correctly in an emergency, you could understand such a weight chart. But a few bulges

or rolls don't impair performance. If they did, the airline would have to fire most of its pilots.

The American Airlines rule book isn't talking about performance, it's talking about the image of performance. Never mind if the attendants are alert and efficient; do they look like what American corporate muckety-mucks perceive as appearing alert and efficient? This is a poor disguise for their real aim, which is to go for looks in hiring. I don't understand why American doesn't just hang a sign on the personnel office door, "No pudgy people need apply."

The federal government has also taken exception to American's hokey rule, and is suing the airline for discrimination. Here's hoping the government wins, or we may all find ourselves victims of personnel policies that arbitrarily decide our images don't project alertness or efficiency.

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# Opposition leader says he'll challenge Romania's election results

By MARY BETH SHERIDAN  
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BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — An opposition leader says Romania's first free elections in more than half a century were riddled by fraud, and he plans to challenge the results in court.

Ion Ratiu, presidential candidate of the National Peasants Party, made the charge Monday as early results showed him lagging far behind Ion Iliescu, a former Communist, in the voting for president. Iliescu has been interim president since a popular revolution ousted dictator Nicolae Ceausescu in December.

Iliescu said in a television interview today that he would form a coalition with the losing parties. But one of the top two opposition leaders ruled out the idea.

Election observers, meanwhile, disagreed over whether Sunday's balloting was free and fair.

With 11.4 million ballots counted this morning, Iliescu had 87 percent of the vote in the three-way presidential race, according to the Central Electoral Bureau. Radu Campeanu of the National Liberal Party had 9.5 percent and Ratiu had 3.48 percent. More than 85 percent of the 16 million eligible voters cast ballots.

"We will contest the election if this is the sort of result that we get," Ratiu told a news conference. "We will ask for them to be considered null and void. We will ask for new elections."

A National Liberal Party official also claimed the election was riddled with fraud.

Iliescu told the French TV network TF-1 that he would support an investigation into the election. He said any examination would show the Front had won fairly.

In a conciliatory gesture, Iliescu said he would seek to form a coalition with the defeated opposition parties and would offer his opponents representation in the government based on their electoral showing.

"We want to go toward a total democracy, a pluralist and multiparty system," he said.

But Campeanu, appearing on the French broadcast after Iliescu, ruled out a coalition with the Front, saying minority views could not possibly be heard in a government overwhelmingly dominated by one party.

Iliescu had been heavily favored to win the election. The charismatic 60-year-old is credited with helping overthrow Ceausescu and implementing measures to help the large peasant and working classes.

Iliescu and the Front are likely to become the first ex-Communists in eastern Europe to triumph in the region's current multiparty elections.

In the race for seats in the two-chamber parliament, Electoral Bureau results based on 10.5 million votes counted gave the Front about 70 percent, the Liberals nearly 6 percent, the Peasants 2 percent and the ecologists' party 2.45 percent.

The Hungarian Democratic Union received nearly 7 percent, apparently winning broad allegiance from

Romania's 2 million ethnic Hungarians. The other votes went to tiny parties.

Ratiu said he would contest the elections even if the vote swung in his favor.

"We definitely charge that massive fraud has been committed," he said.

Some of the more than 500 foreign election observers disagreed about whether the balloting had been fair.

The official U.S. government observer, Gov. Garrey E. Carruthers of New Mexico, called the poll "a good election" and "a very giant step toward democracy."

But Austrian parliamentarian Andreas Khol, general secretary of the European Democratic Union, disagreed, saying: "These were a big step toward free and democratic elections, but they were no free and no democratic elections."

Various observer groups reported instances of ballots pre-stamped for Iliescu, Front members accompanying elderly voters into the booth, non-registered voters casting ballots and individuals voting several times.



(AP Laserphoto)

Attorney Steven Kollin, a member of Noriega's defense team, speaks to the press Monday outside the federal courthouse in Miami, Fla.

## House opens debate on clean air measure

WASHINGTON (AP) — Auto industry lobbyists are working to head off attempts to toughen smog controls in the House clean air bill, including a requirement to build 1 million non-gasoline powered cars a year.

The proposal, being pushed by Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., is expected to provide the most fireworks when the air pollution control bill comes up for floor votes on Thursday.

The sweeping legislation is the first strengthening of federal clean air laws in 13 years and imposes new curbs on acid rain pollution, industrial toxic releases and smog-causing emissions from industry and automobiles. It is expected to cost more than \$21 billion a year when fully implemented.

The Senate approved a similar measure in April.

The House began debate on the clean air bill Monday, while closed-door talks continued in an effort to work out compromises on some of more than a half-dozen proposed amendments.

Agreements were reached on several amendments, including a measure aimed at curbing pollution over national parks and requiring a cleaner gasoline blend in smog-troubled urban areas, according to participants in the talks.

But sources involved in the closed-door discussions said late

Monday it was all but certain that Waxman's alternative fuel car amendment would be left for a showdown on the House floor.

Waxman's amendment calls on automakers to produce non-gasoline powered automobiles for sale in the nine U.S. cities with the highest air pollution. The cities are Los Angeles, San Diego, Houston, Chicago, Milwaukee, Baltimore, New York, Philadelphia and Hartford, Conn.

Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee, who has been protective of auto interests, is strongly opposed to the production mandate.

He said Monday he considered "all the really important environmental issues" to be already resolved and suggested those remaining in dispute represented little more than a difference of viewpoint among congressmen.

Waxman said his measure differed little from a proposal offered by President Bush a year ago, which the White House later backed away from following strong auto industry opposition.

The amendment calls for automakers to produce 500,000 alternative fuel cars for sale in the nine cities by 1994 and double that number by 1996. The cars would cut auto emissions in those cities by 75 percent by the end of the decade, according to Waxman.

## Government agrees to pay Noriega's attorneys

By RICHARD COLE  
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI (AP) — U.S. taxpayers will foot Manuel Noriega's legal bills until \$20 million of his frozen assets are confiscated or released, under a deal that averts disclosure of secret U.S. payments to the fallen dictator.

Before the deal was reached Monday, Noriega's lawyers had threatened to quit the drug trafficking case because they hadn't been paid. Prosecutors froze the former Panamanian leader's assets, contending they were illegally obtained.

In agreeing to cover Noriega's legal fees, the government headed off a confrontation over \$11 million in U.S. intelligence agency payments he claims to have received over several decades.

Noriega's lawyers had been trying to force the government to produce secret records of those pay-

ments to show Noriega had legitimate sources of income other than drugs. But on Monday, the defense agreed to drop the subpoenas when the deal involving Noriega's legal fees is formally approved.

The U.S. government "wanted to avoid litigation that would get into matters having to do, certainly, with classified information, with payments by our government and other governments to Noriega," defense attorney Jon May said.

U.S. Attorney Dexter Lehtinen told U.S. District Judge William Hoeverler that the government agreed to cover the legal bills "to assure Mr. Noriega receives a fair trial."

The long and complex nature of the case made it possible for the prosecution to invoke a federal law allowing the unusual arrangement, he said.

Noriega, who was in court in his general's uniform, agreed to sign

affidavits declaring he was indigent and promising to repay the government if his assets are released.

"It can't be said that the American taxpayer is paying for this, because all the funding for the general's legal fees will come out of the seized assets," said chief defense attorney Frank Rubino.

Defense attorney Steven Kollin has estimated Noriega would need \$5 million to properly defend himself. The defense contends prosecutors have spent \$12 million so far and are prepared to spend \$25 million more to convict Noriega.

Hoeverler gave his blessing to the agreement, but it is subject to approval by Chief U.S. District Judge James King. A hearing was set for Thursday.

The U.S. government has frozen 27 Noriega accounts around the world valued at \$20 million.

Defense attorneys had subpoenaed records from the CIA, Drug

Enforcement Administration and other agencies for evidence of payments to Noriega during the period he is said to have been a U.S. intelligence agent.

Prosecutors acknowledge the United States paid Noriega. But "the amount is substantially less than that offered by the defense counsel," said Diane Cossin, spokeswoman for the U.S. attorney's office. She would not elaborate.

Prosecutors submitted a list of payments to the judge Monday but insisted it be kept secret.

Noriega was indicted in 1988 on charges of taking \$4.6 million in bribes from the Medellin cartel to protect cocaine smuggling into the United States.

He turned himself in to U.S. authorities Jan. 4, two weeks after the invasion of Panama. He is being held at the federal Metropolitan Correctional Center outside Miami.

## Israel researching ways to build supercomputer

By RUTH SINAI  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Disheartened by U.S. reluctance to allow the export of supercomputers to Israel, scientists in that country are researching a new system more powerful than anything the United States has, Israeli university officials say.

Three Israeli institutions have applied for licenses to buy Cray and IBM supercomputers, but the permits have been delayed out of U.S. concern that Israel might use the fast-computing systems to develop nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles.

U.S. government agencies have been considering the applications for almost two years but thus far have refused to grant the permits.

"The writing's on the wall," said Maia Hauser, the U.S. spokeswoman for Technion, Israel's leading high-tech university. "We'll have to go it on our own."

The university is asking supporters in the United States to raise funds for an alternative to the U.S. computers.

Technion applied in 1988 for a Cray-2 computer for scientific and

engineering research. The Weizman Institute of Science and Bar-Ilan University also have pending license requests.

The Commerce Department, which has final say on the licensing, is banned by law from discussing supercomputer applications.

Israel has set up a government committee to investigate the feasibility of researching so-called "parallel processing," said Technion Vice President Brian Silver.

In most computers, no matter how powerful, computation proceeds as one calculation at a time, known as "serial processing."

In some problems, multiple results might be calculable independently of each other, and a "parallel processing" machine is designed to save time by doing those independent calculations simultaneously.

U.S. and West German scientists have developed some parallel processing computers, and some very specialized machines are available.

Israel would have gone into such research anyway because that is the wave of the future in supercomputers, but the U.S. hold on the supercomputers has given the project a strong push, Silver said.

"There's not much difficulty in

company for use in seismic research, noting that the Saudis do not have an indigenous nuclear weapons program which could benefit from the machines.

India, which is known to be developing nuclear weapons, has bought one supercomputer for weather predictions, and has a pending request for another.

Israeli officials say that preventing Israel from buying supercomputers will not stop the development of nuclear weapons. Israel is known to have developed such arms on its own without supercomputers.

Silver said Technion had agreed to submit to inspections on the Cray system to make sure it was not used for military purposes, but opponents of the sale say computer use is difficult to monitor.

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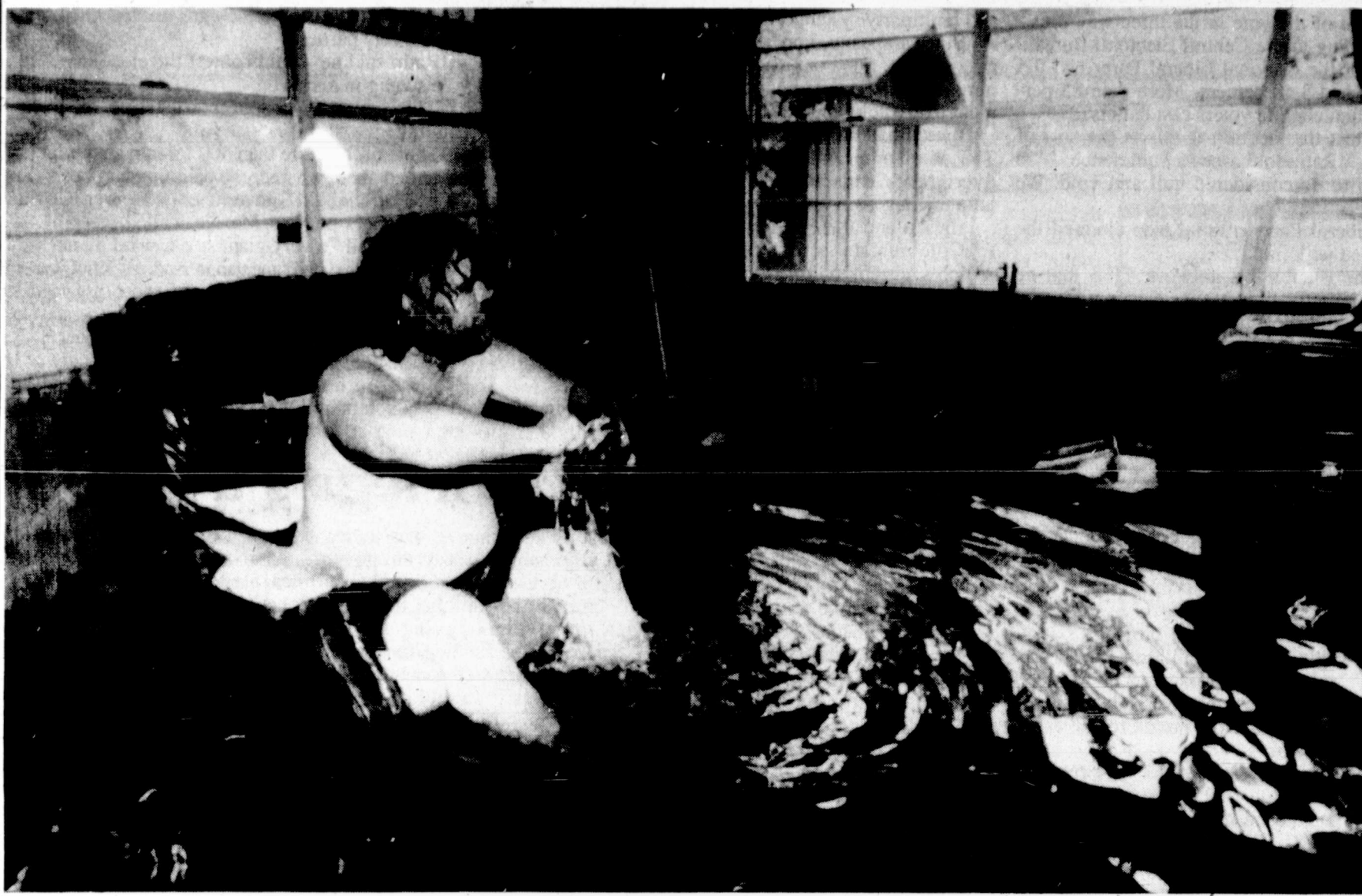
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David Carver wrings out clothes he retrieved from his flooded home in the Six Lakes subdivision near Romayor, Texas, in Liberty County. The flood waters entered his house, covering the floor. Officials indicate it might take a couple of weeks for flood waters to subside to normal levels - if there is not any more rain to swell the rivers and flood the low-lying areas.

East German shops slash prices to improve trade

By MARK FRITZ  
Associated Press Writer

EAST BERLIN (AP) - East German shops slashed prices on everything from televisions to sportswear Monday in a move to compete with a flood of Western products.

The government announced the price cuts just six weeks before East Germany is to implement a free market and merge its economy with West Germany, a major step toward uniting the nations.

Meanwhile, hundreds of farmers driving tractors and trucks left Potsdam for a protest Monday in nearby East Berlin.

Parliament met in East Berlin to debate a state treaty that would merge the economies and social institutions of the German states by July 2. The farm workers planned to rally during the session.

Farmers want protection from West European food imports, which are better packaged and often cheaper than East German goods because of European Economic Community subsidies.

East Germany's government farm collectives rely on outmoded machinery and often employ too many workers in inefficient distribution systems.

They are expected to be phased out as East Germany moves to a free market.

In East Berlin, lines of consumers formed outside clothing, furniture and electronic stores as new prices went into effect.

The East German Commerce and Tourism Ministry said the price cuts would average about 60 percent on a variety of consumer goods, according to a report by the government news agency ADN.

Television prices dropped from about \$1,818 to about \$780. The moves were aimed at competing with the huge influx of Western products flooding into East Germany.

Even though economic union is not scheduled until July 2, the date which Western businesses can legally begin operating independently in the country, many foreign firms already have begun "joint ventures" with East German interests.

The joint ventures often amount to little more than using an East German storefront or hotel room.

Herman Pflaum, head of the East German government commission on joint ventures, said 1,145 were in effect in East Germany by late April, 90 percent of them involving West German firms.

Western food products also are increasingly appearing on East German store shelves.

East Germans began buying Western goods in November, when the former Communist government was forced to open the borders in the face of a massive revolt.

The effect has been a steady increase in joblessness and worker unrest. Shoe industry workers have staged frequent strikes to protest what they say is the loss of their market to Western competitors.

That industry last week was the first to announce drastic price cuts to compete.

Although Eastern goods, especially food, often are cheaper than Western-made goods, quality is often much poorer.

Many of East Germany's state factories and enterprises are expected to shut down when they are forced to compete in a free market. Hundreds of thousands of workers are expected to lose their jobs.

'Second disaster' hitting Lake Livingston business

By JOEL WILLIAMS  
Associated Press Writer

LIVINGSTON (AP) - There's no flooding at the Woodsy Hollow campground about five miles east of Lake Livingston Dam, but there might as well be.

The campground is one of many Lake Livingston area tourism and resort businesses that have no flooding problems whatsoever, but are nevertheless suffering because the public thinks everything here is under water.

The only silver lining, some say, is that sightseers in search of floodwaters are offsetting a portion of losses from the regular tourism industry.

Thousands of people living along the rain-swollen Trinity River have been displaced due to flooding caused by severe thunderstorms upstream. The flooding is the worst since the turn of the century in Texas, and has claimed 13 lives. A dozen other states also have flooding from spring rains.

All 60 of Jordan's recreational vehicle sites had been booked for the weekend, until reports of flooding along the Trinity scared his customers away.

"We had a full house and every-

body canceled," said owner Virgil Jordan.

"They're saying, 'TVs and things, that it will last all summer, so it will just wipe us out if they don't get the true message,'" Jordan said.

Tourists, mainly from Houston, thought Jordan's campground was under water, even though it isn't connected to Lake Livingston and has no flooding.

Although the water level was normal at his 8-acre private lake, he had only four occupied camp sites.

A party of 90 for a company picnic also canceled for Sunday because of the flooding, Jordan said.

He said he should be booked by now for Memorial Day, but has only 12 reservations, and no new bookings are calling, "because they're in a panic stage."

At the 3278 Grocery & Marina in Camilla just below the dam in San Jacinto County, manager John Few is letting more than 200 flooded-out river-bottom residents camp for free.

He canceled all reservations for Memorial Day weekend, when the more than 100 camp sites normally would be booked. Many tourists think the lake is unusable anyway, after seeing pictures of inundated houses along the river he said.

"The lake is fine," Few said. "There's two disasters here. The business people are suffering a second disaster because people aren't coming." Lake Livingston is a prime weekend getaway destination for Houstonians 75 miles to the southwest.

North of the lake in Walker County, Dean Chapman, owner of Chapman's Country Store, said the flooding could hurt area business for a long time.

"It could put a lot of them out of business," said Chapman, who was letting about 15 evacuated families camp at his store. "It could put me out. These people say they are moving out." He said the river was about five miles wide Sunday in his area.

There's no flooding at Lake Livingston State Recreation Area north of the dam, but 126 out of 147 campsite reservations for the weekend were canceled.

"I guess they were afraid the whole park was going to flood," said Claudia McBride, a park employee.

Automobile traffic at the park, however, was up 50 percent from the previous weekend, she said.

Ms. McBride explained that many wanted to survey the high waters in the area for the afternoon,

they weren't "people who come to stay and camp with us."

Some proprietors, in fact, say the sightseers coming to look at the flooding help replace the normal campers, boaters and those with weekend vacation homes.

"We haven't had as many boaters, but we'll probably have a world of sightseers," said Jack Cross, who sells bait, tackle and groceries at his Jack's First Stop in the Polk County town of Blanchard.

"An entirely different tourist," said Eugene Hanson, owner of the Southland Park Marina, just below the dam. "Everybody's taking pictures."

Water has covered Hanson's gasoline pumps for a week.

"We've had so many people coming up observing that it's going to help offset some of it," Polk County Judge Wayne Baker said Sunday. "I've seen so many cars it looked like a funeral procession."

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The number of inmates in state and federal prisons grew a record 12 percent last year to 703,687 prisoners, according to a Justice Department study.

The inmate population increased 76,099 last year from a 1988 prison population of 627,588 held in state and federal facilities, said the study by the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

The nation's prison population has more than dou-

bled in the last decade, from 373,866 inmates in 1980 to 703,687 last year, said the study.

The increase in the number of prisoners outstripped the number of new cells being built by state and federal prison systems, the study said.

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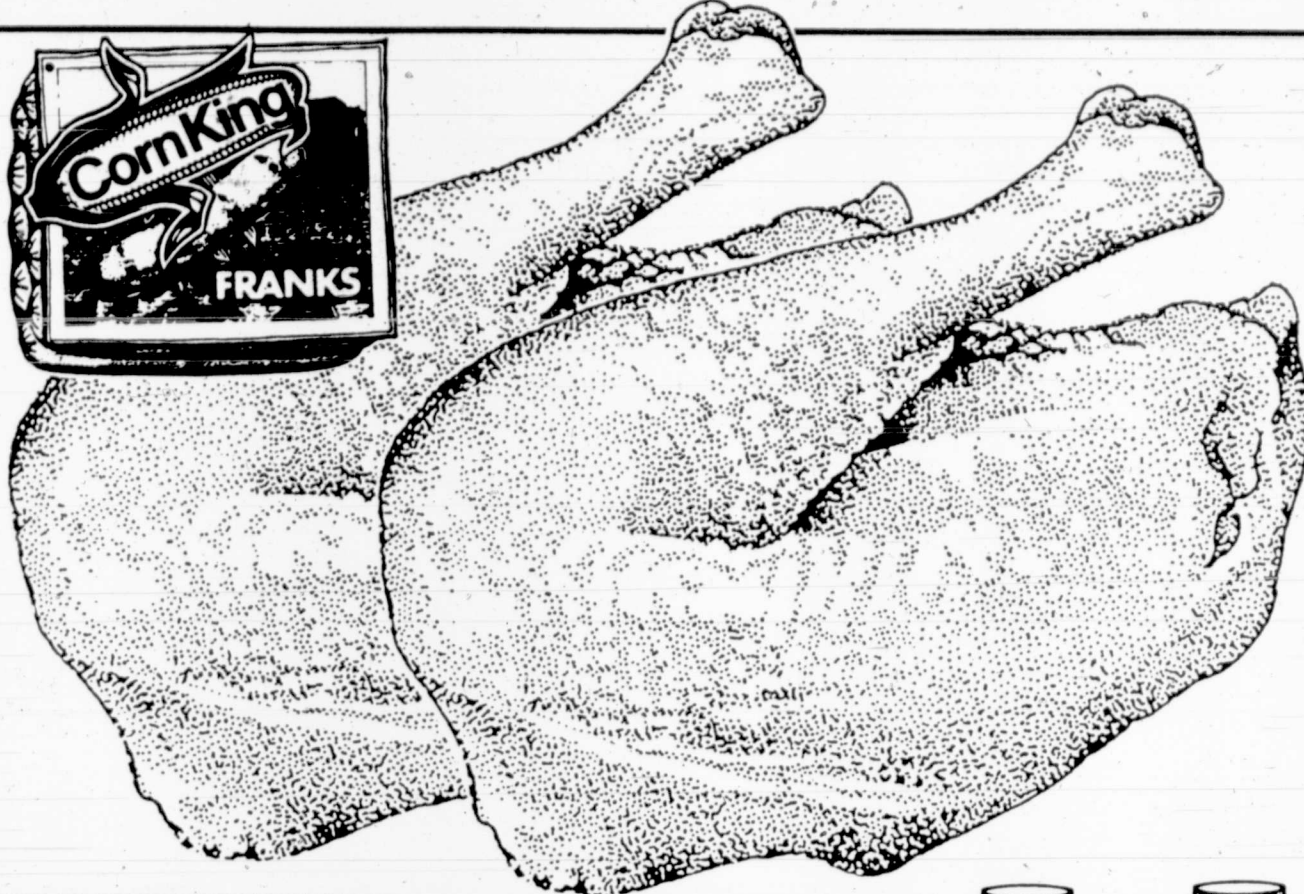
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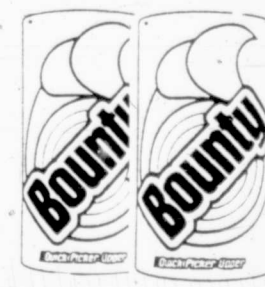
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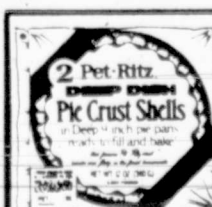
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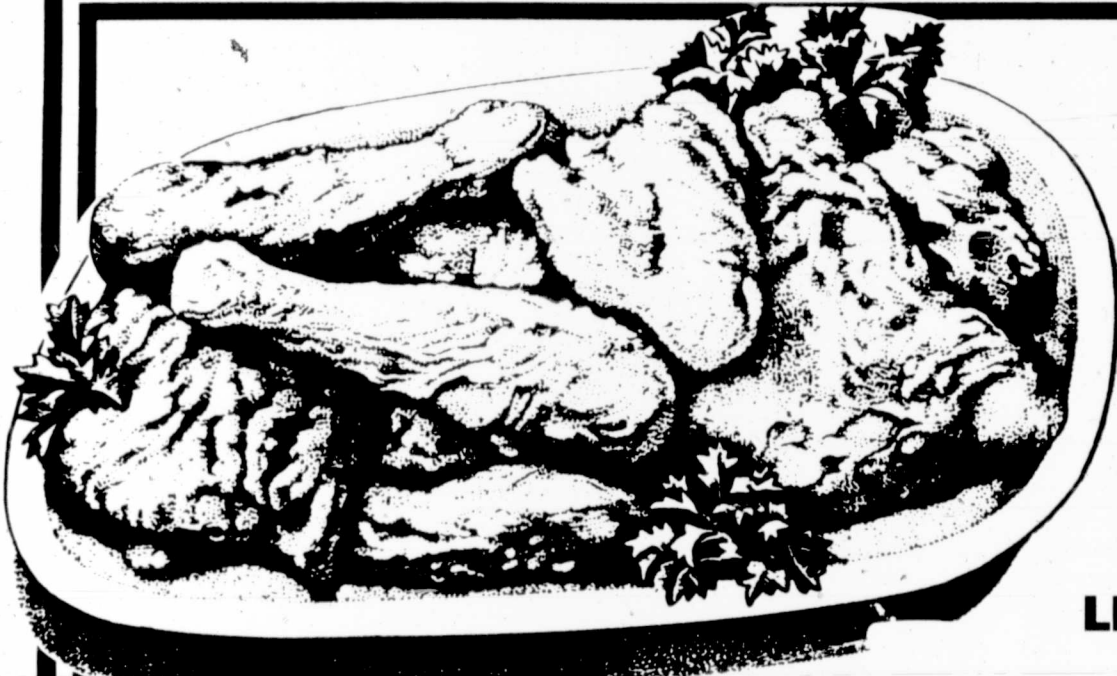
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# AP survey shows most campuses slow to react to racism

By LEE MITGANG  
AP Education Writer

Few colleges or universities are taking all the steps experts believe are needed to stamp out campus racism.

Many schools have established committees to address bigotry. Others have offered special scholarships and stepped up recruiting of minority students and faculty. Still, others are requiring students to take courses about racism or minority issues or attend orientation sessions on race relations.

But a spot check of schools around the country by The Associated Press found only a handful taking the comprehensive approach experts feel is necessary to quell the recent rise in campus bigotry.

"My greatest criticism of these efforts is that, although they are often genuine, they tend to be piecemeal, not comprehensive. In many instances, campuses that have racial incidents rush to do something immediately to fill a gap," said Reginald Wilson, senior scholar at the American Council on Education and an authority on campus race relations.

He and others said the fault often lies at the top - with college presidents who fail to take the lead in combating racism or even recognize it as a serious problem.

"It has to start from the top with policy statements that racism and the other 'isms' won't be tolerated," said Barry Beckham, a former English professor at Hampton Uni-

versity in Virginia who started a bi-monthly national newsletter this year, *The Black Student Advisor*.

About one-quarter of the nation's college presidents consider racism a problem on their campus, according to a study published last month by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Too many campuses have "sought to sidestep rather than confront the issue," that report concluded.

Administrators at the University of Texas-Austin came in for criticism last month when two fraternities painted racial epithets on a car and sold T-shirts with a "Sambo" caricature.

"I am embarrassed to be associated with an institution that hasn't addressed the issue more strongly than it has," women's basketball coach Jody Conradt said.

The University of Oregon in Eugene last year strengthened its student conduct code prohibiting racial harassment. It also required students to take a course in race or gender studies.

But Andy Clark, a black senior who is student body president, said courses he's taken on black women writers, black power in the Civil Rights movement, and race, class and ethnic groups in the United States were all taught by whites.

Earlier this month, University of Washington President William Gerberding made remarks at a banquet disparaging to a Mexican-born student. Gerberding apologized and agreed to take a racial sensitivity

course. Black Student Union president Michelle Gordon called the Seattle campus "very racist. The tension is real high here."

At Indiana University, assistant dean of students Pamela Freeman said several committees formed to deal with racism have helped ease tensions on campus. But last year, the offices of the university's president, Thomas Ehrlich, who is Jewish, and Michael Gordon, the dean of student affairs, who is black, were spray-painted with anti-Semitic and anti-black slogans.

On the other hand, ACE's Wilson and others praise University of Michigan president James J. Duderstadt for taking effective and wide-ranging actions to improve relations at one of the nation's more racially torn campuses.

Duderstadt named a vice provost for minority affairs, invested nearly \$4 million in the Center for Afro-American and African Studies and boosted the budget for attracting minority faculty. Duderstadt has also developed a "Michigan Mandate," a yearly blueprint for increasing campus diversity.

Next fall for the first time, the school will offer an interdisciplinary course on racism.

The result: minority enrollment is up 25.6 percent since 1987, and the school has hired 76 additional minority faculty members. Applications by black students for next fall's freshman class increased 26 percent.

Other colleges battling racism have met resistance.

University of Wisconsin officials say they have fewer racial incidents with the help of a 3-year-old plan called "design for diversity," providing for the recruitment and retention of minority faculty and students as well as mentor programs for minorities.

But the school has run afoul of the American Civil Liberties Union for adopting a rule prohibiting "comments, epithets or other

expressive behavior directed at an individual" if it demeans the person's race, sex, religion, color, creed, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry or age, or creates a hostile environment on campus.

Some white students at the University of Texas felt unfairly targeted at campus demonstrations last month.

"As a heterosexual white male, I feel like there's going to be a rally against me out here, even though I

personally have not done anything," said Mark Bunger.

A columnist for Vanderbilt University's student paper sparked a war of words in March by calling the school's minority recruitment efforts reverse discrimination and accusing the campus black cultural center of perpetuating racism.

"While some students may wish that some special programs were not in place, Vanderbilt has established diversity as a goal," Vanderbilt Provost Charles Kiesler said.

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# Lifestyles

## Spring migration offers great bird-watching at High Island

By Jan Elston  
Guest Writer

With our first few steps into Smith Oaks Bird Sanctuary at High Island, it seemed as though we had walked into a treasure house of beautiful gemstones—but these jewels had wings!

There we see a flock of six Indigo Buntings—the 5" birds flitting from weed to weed. A Baltimore Oriole glows like a light shining from the top of a Live Oak tree. In the limbs of a dead tree, the colors change quickly as a male and female Scarlet Tanager are replaced by a pair of Rose-Breasted Grosbeaks, followed by Summer Tanagers, then a Blue Grosbeak, and a Bullock's Oriole, brilliant orange, with his yellow mate.

Purple-gray Catbirds and their close relatives, the Mockingbirds, sing nearby, while a Yellow-bellied Sapsucker busily pounds mulberries into the bark of a tree for some future meal. An Oven Bird and a Wood Thrush skulk through the underbrush.

We had heard about the Spring Migration at High Island, but witnessing it was one of the outstanding experiences of our lives.

High Island is different from the salt marshes and treeless coastal plain of the Galveston area. Most of that area is 6 to 10' above sea level, but High Island is situated atop a sulphur dome, and is 37' above sea level. Because that small rise in elevation is enough to enable trees to grow, there are many huge Live Oaks and Hackberry trees, and some trans-gulf migrants flying from the Yucatan Peninsula land in those trees and begin feeding voraciously. If the winds are blowing from the usual south-southeasterly direction, many birds fly on across to inland areas; but if there is a weather front, and they encounter rains and a wind directional change so that they're battling a strong northerly headwind, then the exhausted birds "fall out", there at High Island. In 1974 there was a massive "fall out", with an estimated 10 million birds there at one time. A friend who witnessed the 1974 fallout reported, "Birds of all colors were everywhere. They were so thick on the ground that we had to be very careful where we walked, to keep from stepping on them."

During the first few days we were there, we enjoyed seeing what we considered to be large numbers of birds, but we heard so many people complaining that it was so "dry." They weren't referring to the weather, but to the scarcity of birds—both in numbers and varieties. We heard several people say, "We've been coming here for 15 (or 25, or 10) years, and we've never seen it so dry!" During the first few days we were there, the weather was beautifully clear and just windy enough to keep it from seeming so humid. Then Thursday night, there were thunder storms, with tornadoes reported at Anahuac and near Houston—and Friday morning there were so many more birds that we understood what the "old timers" had been griping about. Still they griped—because there hadn't been a wind-shift. The following night a cold front came through, and the winds did shift to a northerly direction; so I'm sure there were massive numbers of birds—but we had already decided that we were suffer-

ing from "sensory overload", after having seen so many, and many varieties of birds; so we decided to leave Saturday. (Another situation which contributed to our decision to leave Saturday, was the influx of a great number of weekend birds from the Houston and Dallas areas. It had been more fun before it became so crowded, and there were parking problems around the two of the wooded areas.)

High Island area has been "written up" in numerous bird books, and there are a great many more birders than there used to be, but it still remains one of the "best kept secrets" of Texas. The Guest Books at various restaurants and the registry at the motel contained the addresses of people from all over the world—Canada, South Africa, Australia, and New Zealand, and many from the British Isles. We saw license tags from Arizona, Arkansas, South Carolina, California, New Mexico, Louisiana, and Vancouver, B.C. Everyone was helpful in giving information about which birds were currently being seen in that particular area.

When we asked, "What have you been seeing?" they would tell us which birds, and where they were, sometimes just indicating the trees they were in, but one woman turned around so I was facing the tree where Prothonotary Warblers had been sighted, then standing behind me, she took my hand between her hands and moved it so that I was looking directly at the pair of them. I was surprised at the quiet in the woods—adults and children walked quietly and spoke softly. Some people who were proficient in identifying bird calls were able to point out various birds they had located by their calls; so it was definitely an advantage to be close to someone who was able to do.

There are two bird sanctuaries there on High Island, both owned by the Houston Audubon Society—Smith Oaks and Audubon Woods (formerly called "Boy Scout Woods.") Each time you entered either of those places, there was a \$2 fee; but by giving a \$15 donation to the Houston Audubon Society, you could become a member of that group, and receive one of their "patches", which allowed you unlimited access to each sanctuary. They use the proceeds to maintain the areas, and have plans to build Smith Woods; but no drinking water is available. Trails are not paved, and can get quite muddy; so boots are preferable, although there were many people there who were wearing tennis shoes. We saw one snake, which was in a pond; but there were probably others around; so boots are a safety factor. Birds eat mosquitoes, which is one of the attractions for their landing there—there are LOTS of mosquitoes; so be sure to take a good insect repellent.

Two authorized groups had set up "Mist Nets", and were banding the birds they caught; so we had an opportunity to see those birds up really close, before they were released. The band number of each bird is sent to Washington, D.C.; then the person who later catches that bird can send the number to Washington, and receive information about who banded it each time it was caught, as well as where it was caught each time. From the

banding information, experts are able to study distribution and migratory patterns of the various species.

West of High Island is Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge, which has extensive coastal marsh and wet prairies; so it provides ideal habitat for many other types of birds. There we saw King and Virginia Rails; Sora; American and Least Bittern; Olivaceous Cormorants; Roseate Spoonbills; Fulvous Whistling Ducks; and almost all the Herons, Egrets, and Ibises. We saw a few little birds there—the Common Yellowthroat, the Sedge Wren, and the Seaside Sparrow. There is one observation platform out in the cattails and reeds, which can be reached by walking out on a boardwalk. We were fortunate in getting a good picture of a Purple Gallinule walking on lily pads.

Galveston is 30 miles from High Island; and there is almost every imaginable sort of shorebird, gull, tern, and sandpiper on the island and in the bays and estuaries around there.

High Island, Anahuac NWR, and Galveston all within a 30 mile radius make up a "birdwatcher's paradise", which we heartily recommend for any birdwatcher.

## Travis students raise money for Lung Association



(Staff photo by Kayia Pursley)

Shawn Harris, left, and Natasha Free, right, were the top winners in the American Lung Association "Super Speller" fund raiser conducted at Travis Elementary in the 3-5th grades. Harris raised \$118.40 and Free collected \$101.50 for the ALA. Center is Dian Gilham, ALA program director who traveled from Austin to present prizes and certificates to participating students. The classes raised a combined total of \$2041 with Mrs. Dennis' fourth grade class receiving recognition for the most money collected in one class.

## Fire has fatal fascination for child with lighter

DEAR ABBY: The headline read: "Child, age 2, dies in house fire." I work as a paramedic firefighter for a small fire department, and although the fire did not occur on my shift, it happened in my fire district.

I became enraged when the facts of the fire became known. Why would any loving parent give a child a cigarette lighter to play with? The excuse the mother offered was that she didn't think the boy would be able to light it. How wrong she was!

The investigation showed that the child had set eight separate areas of their house on fire while others slept. He became frightened and awakened his grandmother, but they became separated in the confusion and smoke. Another needless death due to a parent's carelessness and the lack of a \$10 smoke detector!

A BITTER AND SADDENED  
FIREFIGHTER, LARGO, FLA.

DEAR BITTER AND SADDENED: Perhaps someone will read this and realize that children as young as 2 years old are fascinated with fire and are capable of operating a cigarette lighter.

Also, this can be a reminder to test your smoke alarm—if you have one. And if you haven't, what a wonderful Father's Day gift it would make. All the kids could pitch in and buy Dad one. (It's June 17.)

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column on spanking children, you indicated that your readers' response to spanking was 10-to-1 in favor. You may be interested in the results of a 1990 survey done by the National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse, which measures attitudes and ac-



## Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

tions about child abuse and its prevention. Of the parents in the survey who have children under the age of 18, 49 percent said that they never spank their children. And 26 percent said that they "hardly ever" spank or hit their children. In addition, 72 percent said they believe that physical punishment of a child can lead to injury. Overall, as an organization dedicated to the prevention of child abuse, we were encouraged by these new statistics.

Parenting is a challenging, sometimes very difficult job. When pressures build up, it is tempting to use physical punishment on a child. However, spanking a child when you are angry can be dangerous. Children are often injured when an angry parent loses control.

In a society that values the "quick fix" solution to everyday problems, it seems easier to hit a child than to help the child learn self-control. Children who are disciplined by constant hitting and spanking soon learn that the way to deal with life's frustrations is to lash out physically at others.

Teaching children discipline is important. But discipline can be achieved without hitting or spanking. Children will do what we do more than what we say. If you want children to obey rules, to solve their own problems, to control their an-

ger, and to live in peace with themselves and others, then parents must set that example.

For a free pamphlet on teaching children discipline without spanking, please ask your readers to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Teaching Discipline, P.O. Box 2866, Chicago, Ill. 60690.

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DEAR ABBY: A while back you published some letters about people who spoke with Scandinavian accents. It set me to thinking about some other people who talk "funny."

New Englanders end any word that finishes with an "ah" sound as though it ends in "er." (Example: "Idea" is pronounced "ideer.") Then, they end any word ending in "er" so that it sounds as if it ends in "ah." (Example: "Better" is pronounced "bettah.")

One of the most delightful experiences I ever had with regional accents was on a layover flight from Memphis, Tenn., to Arkansas. I was talking with a pretty Southern gal who was "tawkin'" with a heavy Southern "ayaksavent," and I commented on how becoming her dialect sounded to my mid-Atlantic ears.

She came back with an unforgettable retort: "Ah don't hayave an ayaksavent! Y'all do!"

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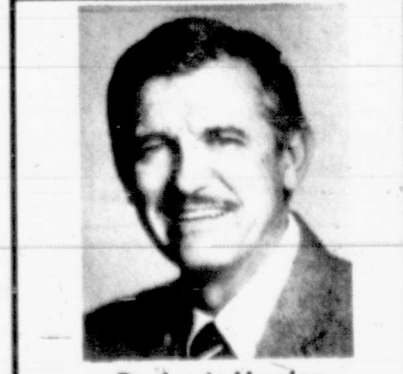
Of all the bones in the spinal column, none are more easily injured or more vulnerable than the seven vertebrae in the neck. None are moved more often. We are constantly turning our heads to look at people and things.

Neck stiffness can have many causes, from sudden and violent accidents to such simple activities as painting a ceiling or just sitting reading a book for a long time. But there's nothing simple about the pain.

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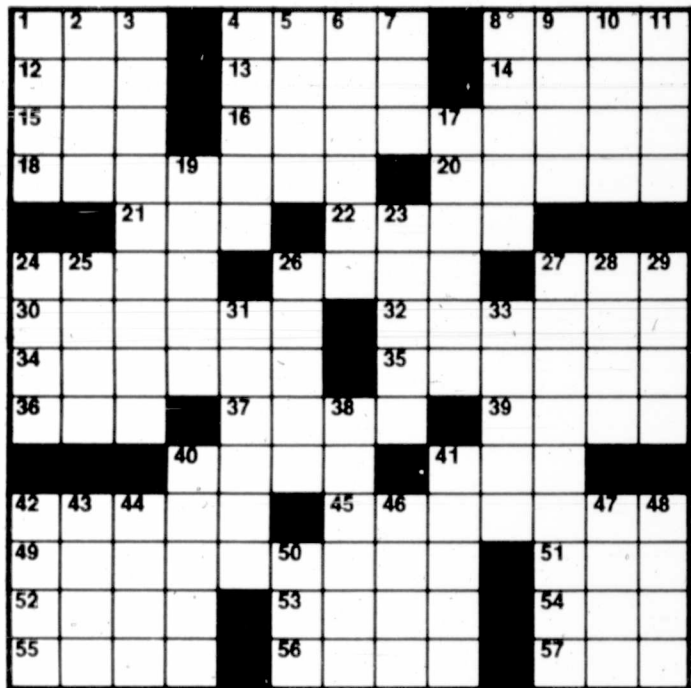
# Today's Crossword Puzzle

## The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 1 Needles
  - 4 Funeral item
  - 8 Hockey player — Esposito
  - 12 Yes
  - 13 Slim
  - 14 Of aircraft
  - 15 — Chaney
  - 16 Of previous generations
  - 18 — muffin
  - 20 Vine
  - 21 Author Fleming
  - 22 Singer — Pinza
  - 24 Singer Lily
  - 26 Drop heavily
  - 27 Mild oath, in Britain
  - 30 Singer — Franklin
  - 32 Like sheep
  - 34 School session
  - 35 Romantically involved (2 wds.)
  - 36 Future bks.
  - 37 T of TV
  - 39 " — I say"
  - 40 Layer of tissue
  - 41 Hebrew letter
  - 42 Of a nobleman
  - 45 Design of life-like instruments
  - 49 Study of sound
  - 51 Potato bud
  - 52 Hootbeat sound
  - 53 U-boats
  - 54 — Francisco
  - 55 Relaxation
  - 56 TV statuette
  - 57 Explosive (abbr.)
- DOWN**
- 1 Fermenting
  - 2 Vast period of time
  - 3 Long-limbed quality
  - 4 Unadorned
  - 5 Wants (sl.)
  - 6 Jacob's wife
  - 7 Chemical
  - 8 suffix
  - 9 Queen of Olympian deities
  - 10 Oil exporter
  - 11 Girl of song
  - 17 Easily donned garment
  - 19 Hangs on
  - 23 Wow!
  - 24 — Sunday
  - 25 Sources of metal
  - 26 Decorate with wood-working
  - 27 Dreariest
  - 28 Thomas — Edison
  - 29 Tints
  - 31 Inns
  - 33 Ancient
  - 38 Lip
  - 40 Mole-skin color
  - 41 Covered with velvety growth
  - 42 Small European fish
  - 43 W. Coast coll.
  - 44 Makes pigeon sounds
  - 46 Missile abbr.
  - 47 Shade of blue
  - 48 Transmitted
  - 50 Mao — tung

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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### Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Secrecy enhances your possibilities for success today regarding a matter that is of serious significance. Share your thoughts and objectives only with persons directly involved. Gemini, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** A social alliance in which you are presently engaged could begin to take on greater importance as of today. This may turn out to be a valuable and binding relationship.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** With proper support today an assignment that would normally be a laborious task could turn into one that is relatively simple. The right ally is essential.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** A delicate matter that has serious ramifications can be handled effectively today if you take things a step at a time. Don't push yourself or any of the other parties involved.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Changes could take place today that will be initially screened from your view, yet what transpires will make it possible for you to finalize to your advantage something that's been left hanging.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Projects in which you and your mate are involved collectively have excellent chances of succeeding in this time frame. However, both will be required to put forth equal effort.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Your financial affairs should work out rather well for you today, provided you use practical and prudent procedures. Returns will be generated along traditional lines, not from gambles.

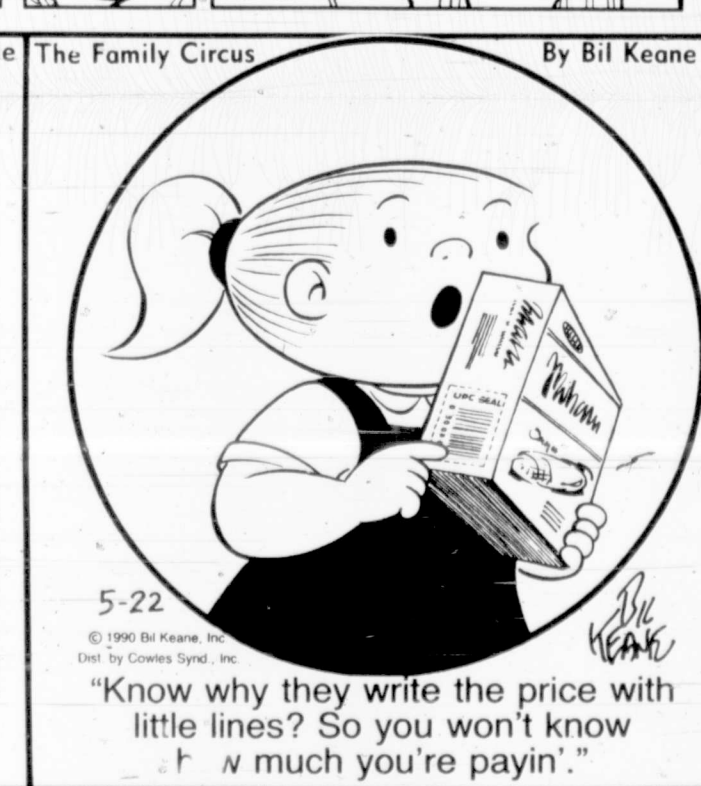
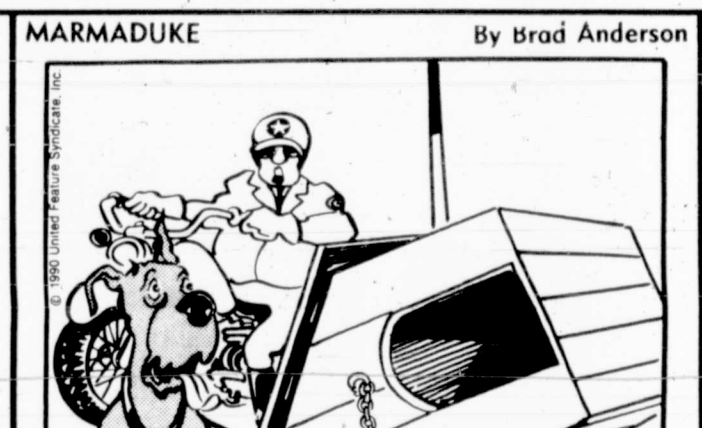
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Something complicated in which you are presently involved can be sorted out to your advantage. It will take some reorganization, however, that should begin today.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** You might not get everything you want today, but when the bottom line is tallied, you should come out on the plus side of the ledger. Be grateful, not greedy.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** A friend might come to you for advice today, so try to make time. What this person wants to discuss is of immense importance.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Recognition for a job well done is within achievable range today. Acknowledgment for your efforts could come in the form of compensation or some special type of perk.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Concentrate today on ways to further your personal ambitions and interests. Constructive deliberation on your part will result in finding the right formula.





# Sports

## Lefors eliminates Briscoe

### Mayfield's three-hitter lifts Pirates to regionals

By L.D. STRATE  
Sports Writer

Senior righthander Kevin Mayfield had Briscoe under his control for almost six innings as Lefors rolled to a 9-2 win Monday in the Class 1A area playoffs at Pampa's Harvester Field.

Lefors improved its record to 6-1 as the Pirates advance into regional action next week. Briscoe closes at 0-4.

"Our pitching really came through and so did our hitting late in the game. It wasn't a real pretty win, but it was a win and that's what counts," said Pirates' coach Dale Means.

Mayfield, who's had some arm problems, allowed just three hits while striking out 14 and walking five. He gave way to relief pitcher Dusty Roberson with two outs in the sixth inning. Roberson struck out three of the four batters he faced to earn a save.

"I pulled a muscle in my arm last week, but I was able to rest it. It's okay now," said Mayfield, who boosted his record to 5-1.

Mayfield left no doubt in Briscoe's mind that his arm is just fine. He struck out the first nine batters he faced and held the Broncos scoreless for five innings.

Lefors had nine hits, but seven of the Pirates' nine runs came off Briscoe's shaky defense. A five-run sixth inning for Lefors came as a result

of Mickey Nunn's RBI single and four Briscoe errors.

Nunn and Rodney Nickel had two hits each to lead the Pirates' hitting attack. Ronnie Hall's double was the only extra base hit for Lefors. Jarrod Slatten, Dusty Roberson, John Call and Mayfield had one base hit each.

With Lefors leading, 4-0, Briscoe cut the lead in half when David Gilmer belted a two-run homer over the left field fence in the top of the sixth. However, only one more Briscoe batter reached base and that came on a walk.

Dallas Fillingim had a double and Ben Meadows a single for the only other Briscoe hits.

Gilmer was the losing pitcher. He struck out nine, walked three and hit one batter in going the distance.

"He gave us some problems. We were swinging way too early on a lot of pitches," Means said.

Lefors is tentatively scheduled to play Petrolia next week in the regional playoffs in Vernon. The date and time have not yet been decided.

"Petrolia was ranked number one in the state until they went to Oklahoma and lost some games. They should probably still be ranked number one," Means said.

Lefors won the District 3-1A championship this season, defeating Hedley in a playoff after the two teams had tied for first place at the end of the regular season.



(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

Lefors' Rodney Nickel slides into third while Ben Meadows of Briscoe awaits the throw.

## Rodeo team advances to nationals



(VRJC photo)

Shown above are members of the Vernon Regional Junior College men's and women's 1989-90 rodeo team. The women finished first in the southwest region of the NIRA and the men captured second. These students will represent VRJC at the National Inter-Collegiate Rodeo Finals in Bozeman, Montana, beginning June 11. Members include (front row, l-r) Coach John Mahoney; Amy Cockrell of Pampa; Lari Dee Guy of Abilene; Mitzi Mayes of Manor, Texas; (back row, l-r) Shay Good of Caprock, N.M.; Justin Lane of Stratford; Guy Yarbrough of Seagoville; Stran Smith of Childress; Kory Koontz of Amherst; and Jeff King of Clarendon.

## Last-minute heroics save Trail Blazers

By BOB BAUM  
AP Sports Writer

PORTLAND, Ore. — They were unlikely heroes.

Kevin Duckworth, who broke his right hand three weeks ago, made the game-winning basket.

Danny Young, a slender, unassuming backup point guard, blocked Phoenix's last shot, giving him five blocks for the season in more than 1,500 minutes.

As a result, the Portland Trail Blazers escaped with a 100-98 victory over the Suns Monday night in the opener of the Western Conference finals.

"We didn't play very smart down the stretch," Portland coach Rick Adelman said. "That's very obvious. We should have controlled the game better than we did."

"But what I liked about it is defensively we did what we had to do and then Duck made the big shot."

It was a matchup between the weary and rusty, and the weary won.

Portland was playing just two days after concluding its emotional seven-game conference semifinal series against San Antonio.

The Suns hadn't played for six days after upsetting the Los Angeles Lakers in the other semifinal.

"Our execution was rusty. We weren't real sharp," Phoenix coach Cot-

ton Fitzsimmons said. "But give Portland credit. They played hard and they got what they needed to win at the end."

After his team took the home court advantage away from Utah and the Lakers, Fitzsimmons wasn't shaken by the two-point loss. He looked optimistically to Game 2 Wednesday night.

"We'll be fine," he said.

The Suns shot just 41 percent from the field and their big guns, Tom Chambers and Kevin Johnson, were inconsistent.

Chambers scored 29 points but missed several open shots. Johnson scored 20, but made only two of 12 from the field after the first quarter.

Portland led most of the game, but never by more than eight points.

The Suns, who lost in Portland for the 18th straight time, took an 87-86 lead early in the fourth quarter on Jeff Hornacek's 10-footer.

The Blazers regained the lead and were up 98-93 on Clyde Drexler's soaring, one-handed rebound basket with 2:59 to play.

Two Portland turnovers opened the door for Phoenix. Hornacek scored on a drive, then Chambers tied the score at 98-98 by converting a three-point play with 1:09 remaining.

After another Portland turnover, the Suns had a chance for the go-ahead basket, but Johnson missed a layup.

For its game-winner, Portland went to a pick-and-roll play it has used "a zillion" times, Duckworth said.

Terry Porter drove to the basket, and Duckworth headed for the baseline. When Duckworth's defender, Mark West, moved to stop Porter, the Portland playmaker got the ball to the 7-foot center, who sank a wide-open eight-footer with 17.3 seconds to go.

"He's phenomenal," Portland's Buck Williams said. "The man came back with a broken bone in his hand. He's playing on a lot of courage right now. That's all he's playing on."

Duckworth, who missed six games before returning in the seventh game of the San Antonio series, said the play has been a reliable one.

"We've won a lot of games with that play," Duckworth said.

Porter said the play is the same one the Suns love to run.

"West came my way and I was just able to get the ball to Duck and he shot the ball with a lot of confidence," Porter said.

Phoenix's final possession was anything but perfect. Eddie Johnson wound up with the ball and, as he was falling down, he knocked it to Mike McGee, who seemed open.

But Young, who is listed optimistically at 6-foot-4, got his hand on the shot. Williams saved the ball from going out of bounds, and Portland had the victory.

## Johnson named league's MVP

By KEN PETERS  
AP Sports Writer

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Lunch? A news conference?

Sure, Magic will be able to make it. He's a man with lots of free time, much to his displeasure.

The Los Angeles Lakers' Magic Johnson, his basketball playing over for the season, was to be officially named the NBA's Most Valuable Player today.

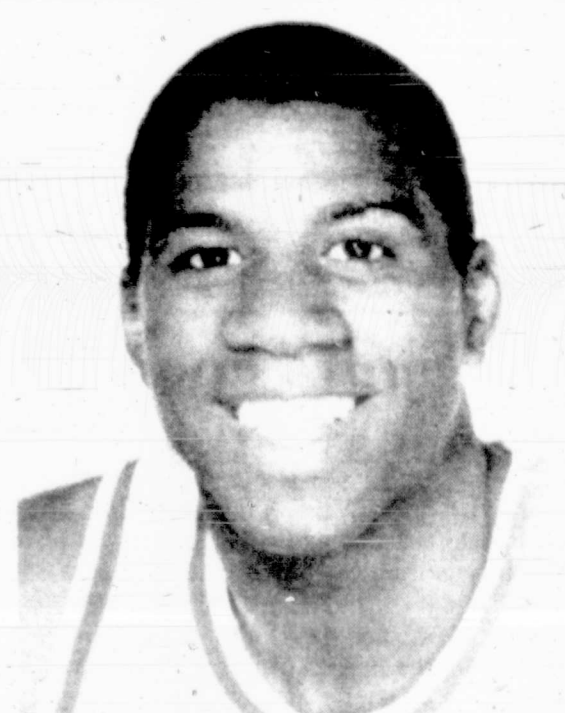
David Stern, the league's commissioner, will present Johnson the trophy for the second consecutive year — and third time in four years — at a news conference at the otherwise quiet Forum.

The award will be given to Johnson between the first and second games of the Western Conference final, same as last year. But unlike last year, Johnson and the Lakers aren't involved.

Although the Lakers had the league's best regular-season record this year (63-19), they were eliminated in five games by the Phoenix Suns in the conference semifinals.

Johnson said he didn't know what he was going to do for the next month, since he hadn't planned to be off work so early.

Ironically, Lakers coach Pat Riley earlier received the NBA's Coach of the Year honor for



Magic Johnson

the first time. So the Lakers had the league's coach and MVP of the 1989-90 season, yet were eliminated from the playoffs the earliest since 1981.

Johnson, however, did have an MVP-type season, as recognized in the voting by 92 media representatives in 27 cities.

The Lakers announced Monday that he had won the award, but results of the balloting were not immediately released by the league.

## Basketball pioneer Steitz dies at 69

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Friends and colleagues remembered basketball authority Edward Steitz as a man who never stopped working to improve the game.

Steitz, who rewrote the rules of amateur basketball and brought the 3-point shot to the college and international game, died Monday at the age of 69.

"Ed Steitz is a guy that I personally liked and enjoyed and thought that he made a tremendously selfless contribution to basketball over the years," Indiana coach Bobby Knight said through a spokeswoman. "He worked harder than anybody ever has at the protection and development of the rules, and in that regard made a great contribution to college basketball."

Steitz, director of athletics emeritus at Springfield College, suffered a heart attack in the driveway of his East Longmeadow home after going out to get the newspaper, school

spokesman Ken Cerino said. Steitz was in cardiac arrest when he arrived at Baystate Medical Center at 6 a.m., hospital officials said. He had been hospitalized earlier in the year for a severe angina attack.

The administrator was best known in the United States as national editor for the NCAA rules committee, a position he held since 1968. But he was also instrumental in the growth of the international game.

"We are all shocked. He was such an integral part of the Olympic family," Dr. Harvey Schiller, executive director of the U.S. Olympic Committee, said. "He probably did more for basketball in the world than anyone, including James Naismith."

"He was a great competitor, but a true sportsman," said Joe O'Brien, director of the basketball Hall of Fame, which Steitz helped start in 1959.

## Boddicker makes Rangers fifth straight victim

By DAVE O'HARA  
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Mike Boddicker of the Boston Red Sox keeps a Massachusetts State Police cap in his locker.

It serves as a reminder of all the hard work he put in during the offseason to strengthen muscles in a crank problem.

The cap also may be serving as a lucky charm as Boddicker is riding a five-game winning streak in a 6-3 record.

"Maybe the workouts at the state police academy have helped me," Boddicker said Monday night after the Red Sox rallied for a 4-2 victory over the Texas Rangers.

"I did a lot of swimming and I worked with the weights a lot during the winter," said Boddicker, a 15-game winner last year. "Hopefully, it's paying off. I feel real loose, stretched out."

Despite 40-degree weather and a drizzle, Boddicker allowed only three hits, including Julio Franco's two-run opposite field homer in the first, in eight innings. He struck out eight and walked two.

Then, after throwing 111 pitches, he retired and let relievers Rob Murphy and Jeff Reardon complete the three-hitter. Reardon got his third save.

"He's pitching real good right now," Texas manager Bobby Valentine said after Boddicker improved his career record against the Rangers to 11-3. "He's keeping the ball down and he has a better fastball."

"But this is the big leagues and you're supposed to hit good pitching."

After Franco's third homer just inside the right-field foul pole 302 feet down the line, rookie Brian Bohanon out-pitched Boddicker for six innings.

Bohanon allowed just three hits, including Ellis Burks' solo homer in the fifth, until Dwight Evans led off the seventh with a double off the wall in left-center.

Gary Mielke (0-1) replaced Bohanon and was unable to help the 21-year-old left-hander notch his first major league victory.

Tony Pena got a double on a sinking line drive to right, which forced Evans to hold up. Then Burks was walked intentionally.

## Loss of pitching ace Ryan plunges Rangers even deeper into the hole

BOSTON (AP) — The slumping Texas Rangers got more bad news when they learned that ace pitcher Nolan Ryan will not be back on the mound until at least June 2.

Ryan was placed on the 15-day disabled list Monday, retroactive to last Friday, because of continuing back problems. That means Ryan will not be available until June 2 when the Rangers host the California Angels at Arlington Stadium.

Manager Bobby Valentine has penciled Ryan into the lineup near that date.

Ryan continues back therapy in Clear Lake near Houston, but he said progress is slower than he had hoped.

"I can't see myself improving," Ryan said. "Until I see some improvement, I can't go out and throw seven quality innings. I don't know what time frame we're dealing with, but I know when I come off (the DL), I can throw seven quality innings."

Valentine said he had some trouble convincing Ryan to go on the DL. Ryan originally planned to start throwing today to prepare to start Friday night at Detroit.

Valentine said being on the disabled list also forces Ryan to have adequate rest to heal the injury he tried to pitch through for three starts. At times during that period he said the pain was less severe than it was.

"I hope like heck he's ready to pitch this Friday and we still can't pitch him," Valentine said. "That way, we'll know he's going to be ready when he's off the DL."

Ryan left after five innings of a start on May 11 against Cleveland with spasms in his lower back. He pitched again last Thursday against Detroit but was again bothered by back problems.

This is Ryan's ninth assignment to the disabled list in 23 seasons. The last was in 1986, when he twice was sidelined by a sprained ligament in his right elbow.

Ryan, baseball's career strikeout leader, is 4-2 with a 5.28 earned-run average in eight starts. He was 0-2 in his last four starts.

The Rangers plan to promote a minor-league reliever unless they are able to make a trade for a middle relief man.

Mike Jeffcoat relieved Mielke and Kevin Romine drew a pinch walk on a 3-2 count, forcing home Evans with the tying run. Luis Rivera grounded into a third to home to first double play.

However, with runners on second and third and two outs, the Rangers elected to pitch to five-time batting champion Wade Boggs.

Boggs responded to the challenge by lining a 1-2 pitch to left, scoring Burks and Romine.

"He's a tough hitter with two strikes and two outs, but I gave him a good pitch to hit — right down the middle," Jeffcoat said after the Rangers ninth loss in 11 games and 12th in the last 15.

Boggs struck out for the 19th time

this season before his single, now 12-33 with 13 RBIs with runners in scoring position.

"I'm just in awe of what I'm doing myself," said Boggs, who is hitting just .293. "It's not like me to swing and miss. I can't figure it out."

"Lefties against righties, righties against lefties, I don't care. I don't think I'd pitch to Wade Boggs with first base open like that," said Burks. "He's just too tough a hitter."

Former Massachusetts schoolboy star Bobby Witt, who has won only one of six decisions for the Rangers this year, is scheduled to oppose Boston rookie Dana Kiecker (0-0) tonight in the windup of a two-game series.



# Houston rookie boosts Astros over Pittsburgh

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Astros rookie Eric Anthony moved from the disabled list to become the take-charge man for the slumping team.

Anthony, who has nine hits in his last 23 at bats and three homers in the last five games, slugged a homer in the 11th inning Monday night to give the Astros a 3-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

He had missed 17 games because of a hamstring injury he suffered in the first game of the season.

"I'm starting to gain confidence offensively and defensively," Anthony said. "When I'm swinging the bat everything is working out fine for me."

With Houston slugger Glenn Davis stuck in a 1-21 slump, including no home runs since May 2, Anthony has had to emerge quickly.

"Everyone's job is to be a leader in certain situations," Anthony said. "When

he's struggling I feel I have to step in."

Houston, which had lost nine of its last 10 games and is 11-13, benefited from the fact that Anthony was facing reliever Ted Power, 0-2, who mainly throws fast balls.

"No one can blow a fast ball by him," said Pittsburgh outfielder Barry Bonds. "You can't pitch to him like a rookie."

Houston had rallied from a 2-0 deficit on Ken Caminiti's RBI single in the sixth, and Franklin Stubbs leadoff home run in the seventh inning. Houston has scored only five runs in the last 37 innings, but four of the runs have come on solo home runs.

Houston reliever Juan Agosto, 2-1, won by working the last two innings after starter Jim Deshaies became the first Astro pitcher to go nine innings this year. Both pitchers are left-handed and the 23-15 Pirates are only 8-7 against left-handed pitching.

The Pirates have lost six of their last seven games on their current road trip. However, no one is panicking since Pittsburgh is still on top in the National League East.

"We're not getting blown out," Bond said. "We're just not capitalizing, and the other teams are capitalizing. We still know that we are capable of winning."

Despite having the worst record in baseball, the 14-24 Astros are looking forward to Anthony's development.

"Everybody knew he had great power," Houston manager Art Howe said. "He came back trying to hit a ball as far as a human can hit one. He was just trying to hard to make up for lost time. He's just now catching up to everyone."

Houston's last four home victories have come in extra innings, but that doesn't bother Howe. "I hope we play about 85 more like this one."



Pirates' Jeff King (7) collides with Craig Biggio.

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# Scoreboard

## Baseball

### Collegiate Baseball Poll

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The top 25 baseball teams in the Collegiate Baseball-ESPN poll, with records through May 20, point totals and rankings in last week's poll.

Record	Pts	Pv	
1. Stanford	52-10	499	1
2. Arizona State	49-14	494	2
3. Florida State	53-13	490	3
4. Texas	48-15	483	5
5. Arkansas	47-13	479	4
6. Miami, Fla.	49-11	475	6
7. Southern Cal	37-20	473	7
8. LSU	47-16	471	9
9. Oklahoma State	49-16	469	8
10. Mississippi State	45-18	459	15
11. Southern Illinois	47-12	456	12
12. North Carolina	49-12	455	10
13. Wichita State	44-17	449	13
14. Loyola Marymount	45-15	445	11
15. Georgia	44-17	441	14
16. Fullerton State	32-21	437	17
17. Iowa	39-17	432	16
18. Illinois	41-19	429	25
19. Washington State	46-17	423	22
20. San Diego State	46-20	420	21
21. Houston	42-21	415	19
22. Maine	41-18	409	18
23. UC Santa Barbara	40-20	407	20
24. Fresno State	37-22	406	21
25. UCLA	39-24	404	24

### Major League Standings

By The Associated Press All Times CDT				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Milwaukee	21	14	600	—
Boston	20	16	556	11/2
Toronto	21	19	525	21/2
Cleveland	19	18	514	3
Detroit	18	22	450	51/2
Baltimore	16	22	421	61/2
New York	14	21	400	7
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Oakland	25	12	676	—
Chicago	21	13	618	21/2
Minnesota	21	16	568	4
Seattle	20	20	500	61/2
Texas	16	22	421	91/2
California	16	23	410	10
Kansas City	13	23	361	111/2

## Basketball

### NBA Playoff Glance

By The Associated Press All Times CDT CONFERENCE FINALS (Best-of-7)

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**  
**Chicago vs. Detroit**  
 Sunday, May 20  
 Chicago at Detroit, 7 p.m.  
 Detroit 86, Chicago 77, Detroit leads series 1-0  
**Tuesday, May 22**  
 Chicago at Detroit, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, May 26**  
 Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m.

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**  
**Phoenix vs. Portland**  
 Monday, May 21  
 Portland 100, Phoenix 98, Portland leads series 1-0  
**Wednesday, May 23**  
 Phoenix at Portland, 9 p.m.  
**Friday, May 25**  
 Portland at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

## Hockey

### Stanley Cup Glance

By The Associated Press All Times CDT STANLEY CUP FINALS

**Tuesday, May 15**  
 Edmonton 3, Boston 2, 3OT  
**Friday, May 18**  
 Edmonton 7, Boston 2

**Sunday, May 20**  
 Boston 2, Edmonton 1, Edmonton leads series 2-1  
**Tuesday, May 22**  
 Boston at Edmonton, 8:05 p.m.  
**Thursday, May 24**  
 Edmonton at Boston, 6:35 p.m.  
**Saturday, May 26**  
 Boston at Edmonton, 7:05 p.m., if necessary  
**Tuesday, May 29**  
 Edmonton at Boston, 6:35 p.m., if necessary

# Bruins can knot series tonight

EDMONTON, Alberta — After dispelling their own doubts about winning, the Boston Bruins believe they can knot up their best-of-7 Stanley Cup series with the Edmonton Oilers in Game 4 tonight.

"I think everyone's more excited about (tonight), to go out there and tie this thing up," center Bobby Carpenter said.

The Bruins were hardly in that mood following losses to the Oilers in the first two games of the series in Boston.

"I think there was some doubt (the Bruins could win)," Boston coach Mike Milbury said. "We played mostly well enough to win either of those games."

"But I thought the team did a pretty good job of regrouping psychologically, and they came back (Sunday night) and eliminated some of their doubts."

With some of their lesser lights contributing, the 2-1 victory at the Northlands Coliseum was typical of the Bruins this year under Milbury. Dave Poulin was out of the lineup with an injury suffered in Game 2, so Milbury had to make some adjustments.

The patchwork lineup included a "hunch" by the rookie coach to insert little-used John Byce as well as Greg Johnston and Andy Brickley into the game. The move had a look of genius to

it after Byce and Johnston scored Boston's goals.

"With injuries, we had to move a few lines around and try something," Brian Propp said. "But he's (Milbury) done that all year. We're pros and we have to adjust to that."

Byce played center on a line with Cam Neely and Craig Janney, who was moved over to left wing with his customary center spot.

"We really needed to score some goals," Milbury said. "John Byce was a noted goal-scorer at the college level. That doesn't make him a goal-scorer in the National Hockey League, but it was worth the risk, and with Poulin's injury it was the logical choice to make."

There was really no rhyme or reason to Milbury's patchwork lineup Sunday.

"As far as the line combinations were concerned," he said, "we decided to go with whoever was going good."

It has been part of the Bruins' scheme all year, and the main reason they won the NHL's overall points championship.

"We all have specific roles," Carpenter said. "We play a team game. We know what each player has to do, so if you get changed to another position like Craig got changed to left wing, he knows exactly what he has to do as a left winger."

# McLaren wins state



James McLaren of Boys Ranch was a double gold-medal winner at this year's Class 2A state track and field meet. The high school senior won the 3200 with a time of 9:44.3 and clocked a 4:27.9 to win the 1600. McLaren, the son of Pampa's Priscilla McLaren, was also voted the Athlete of the Year for the second consecutive season at Boys Ranch.

# Former Spurs coach takes over at Atlanta

ATLANTA (AP) — Bob Weiss, who won only 59 of 164 games in two seasons as head coach at San Antonio, apparently is the next coach of the Atlanta Hawks.

The Hawks, who finished 41-41 this season and missed the playoffs for the first time since 1985, called a press conference to officially announce the hiring today.

Cable News Network, which is owned by Hawks owner Ted Turner, confirmed on Monday night that Weiss would be hired.

Weiss, who was fired as coach of the San Antonio Spurs after the 1987-88 season, replaces Mike Fratello. "It seems you sleuths have ferreted everything out," Weiss said at the Atlanta airport late Monday. "I'm looking forward to the challenge" of taking over the Hawks. "It's not like starting over."

Hawks president Stan Kasten said over the weekend that Weiss and New Jersey Nets vice president Willis Reed were the two finalists for the job. Reed, however, withdrew his name on Monday and was named senior vice president of the Nets.

Weiss said the demands of the game have changed the job description of an NBA head coach.

"For so many years, the stereotype was for a ranter and raver. But our season is too long for a galley slave driver," Weiss said. "You're a man among men, and you go by how you can get it done."

By missing the playoffs, the Hawks won a berth in the NBA draft lottery, but had only one ping-pong ball among 66 in the drawing and finished with the 11th pick in the first round of the draft.

After his retirement as a player in 1977, Weiss spent two years as an assistant to Gene Shue with the San Diego Clippers. In 1980, he became an assistant with the Dallas Mavericks, where he stayed until he was named head coach of the Spurs in 1986.

"He's a very good man," said Angelo Drossos, former managing partner of the Spurs.

Drossos said if it hadn't been for the Spurs' financial problems, Weiss still would be coaching the team — which made the greatest turnaround in NBA history this season, going from 21 victories to 56.

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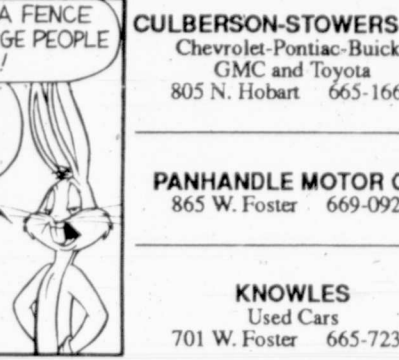
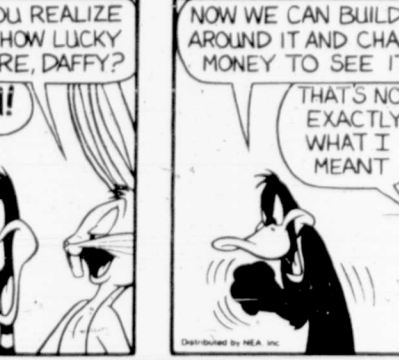
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# Cigarette smoke called proven cause of heart disease in non-smokers

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NEW YORK (AP) — Other people's smoke is a proven cause of heart disease in non-smokers, raising their risk of dying from the disease by up to 30 percent, a study says.

In a presentation in Boston at the World Conference on Lung Health, Stanton Glantz of the University of California, San Francisco, said research is beginning to show exactly how cigarette smoke alters the heart, blood and arteries. He presented a study in which he reviewed others' research on the subject.

In 1986, the Surgeon General concluded in his annual report on smoking and health that so-called passive smoking causes lung cancer in non-smokers. At that time, the evidence was insufficient to link passive smoking with heart disease, the report said.

Newer studies have changed that, Glantz said in a

telephone interview.

"The evidence that passive smoking causes heart disease is stronger today than the evidence was in 1986 that passive smoking caused lung cancer," Glantz said.

Glantz's report comes one week after the Environmental Protection Agency said it will soon declare environmental tobacco smoke a known carcinogen.

The EPA concluded that passive smoking causes 3,000 deaths. Glantz said passive smoking also causes 32,000 heart disease deaths.

"The heart disease deaths combined with the cancer deaths make passive smoking the third leading cause of preventable death, behind smoking and alcohol," he said.

Glantz is a researcher and statistician who conducts research in cardiology, has written two textbooks on biostatistics and serves on the California State Scientific Review Panel on toxic air contaminants.

His collaborator in the study was Dr. William Parm-

ley, a cardiologist, chief of the division of cardiology at University of California, San Francisco, and a past president of the American College of Cardiology.

The Tobacco Institute, which represents cigarette makers, emphasized that the Surgeon General in 1986 had failed to find proof that passive smoking causes heart disease.

"There have been only three studies since then, and they continue to support the conclusions," Brennan Dawson, a spokeswoman for the institute, said in a telephone interview.

But Glantz said there are 11 studies on passive smoking and heart disease deaths, and "all but one the tobacco industry funded show an increased risk." The studies showed an increased risk of between 20 percent and 30 percent, he said.

Furthermore, he said, "there's evidence from several areas that passive smoking reduces the ability of the heart to obtain and profit from oxygen."

Carbon monoxide in cigarette smoke binds with hemoglobin in the blood, reducing its capacity to carry oxygen, Glantz said. Smoke also reduces the ability of cells in the heart to convert oxygen to a chemical called adenosine triphosphate, or ATP, which provides energy to the heart, he said.

"What you end up with is: The blood doesn't carry oxygen well. The heart doesn't pump as well. And what oxygen gets to the heart isn't used as well," he said.

One consequence of that — which can be measured — is that people exposed to second-hand smoke can't exercise as long, he said. That is true of both healthy non-smokers and non-smokers with heart disease, he said.

Cancer-causing agents in the smoke, especially benzo(a)pyrene, have been found to injure artery linings, he said. Such injuries are one of the first steps in the development of life-threatening blood clots in the coronary arteries that nourish the heart, he said.

## Program mixes molesters with abuse victims

DALLAS (AP) — "Aren't you despicable?" a former sex-abuse victim called to a convicted child abuser as he struggled to recount his offenses.

Authorities say such emotional outbursts are typical yet therapeutic for both sides in an unusual program in which sex offenders and abusers attend weekly meetings in Austin together.

"There aren't any other programs like this one in Texas," said Sandra Martin, director of victim services for the Travis County district attorney's office.

"What is unusual about the program is that you put the offenders and the adult survivors, and we have both male and female survivors, in the same room," Ms. Martin said.

The offenders are often ordered by local judges to attend the program, which is funded by Travis County, the county's criminal justice division and the governor's office.

The Austin Police Department, the Department of Human Services and the Travis County sheriff's office also make referrals to the program.

The program is based on a model developed in San Jose, Calif. It forces molesters to face their misdeeds, and allows adult victims of childhood abuse to deal with their traumas.

One incest victim, Lisa Fain, said she is attending sessions in the hope that they will help her overcome her fear of men. She was among about 80 people attending a recent meeting.

In the meetings, offenders face victims, although not the same people they have molested. Group members have either been sexually abused or have sexually abused someone, or sometimes both.

Ms. Fain, 33, said that confronting molesters in a supervised session has helped her overcome some of her fears.

"Attending these sessions has taught me that my perspective is warped but it is warped because of my circumstances," said Fain.

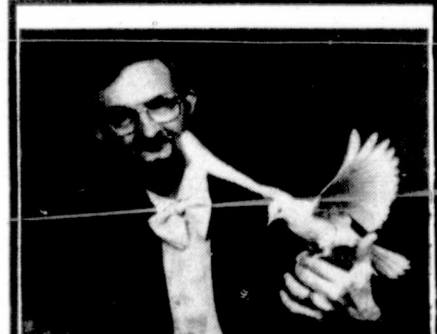
"And it is really good to walk in there and take a look at a perpetrator and say, 'This is not a big, scary human being.'"

Martin said 150 people are participating in the program. In the past two years, counselors have interviewed 700 people to determine whether they would benefit.

Linda Witt, project director of the Travis County Family Development Center that organized the program, said offenders assigned to the program must attend from three to six months.

At the end of the mandatory attendance period, the offenders continue counseling designed solely for offenders — without the victims.

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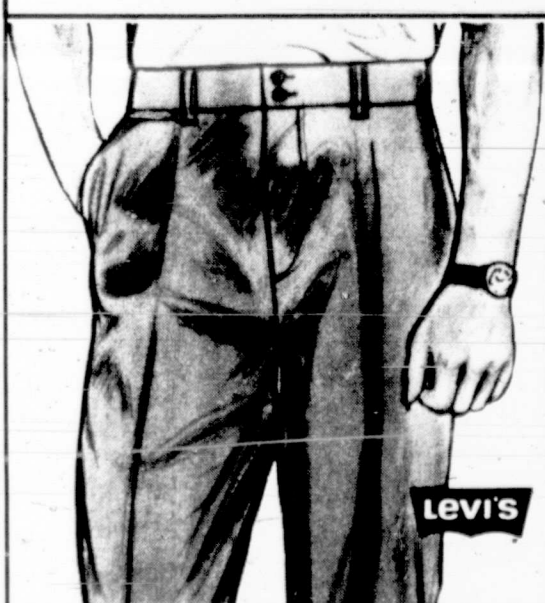
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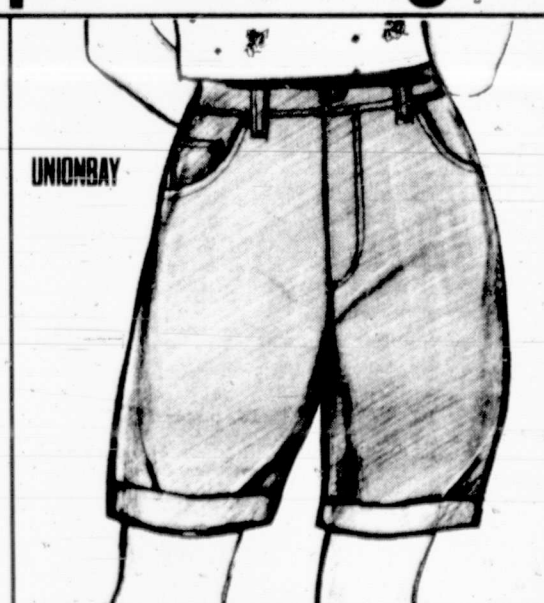


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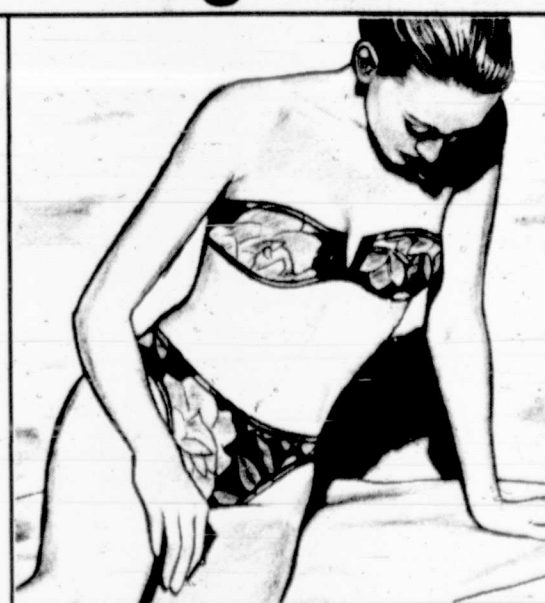


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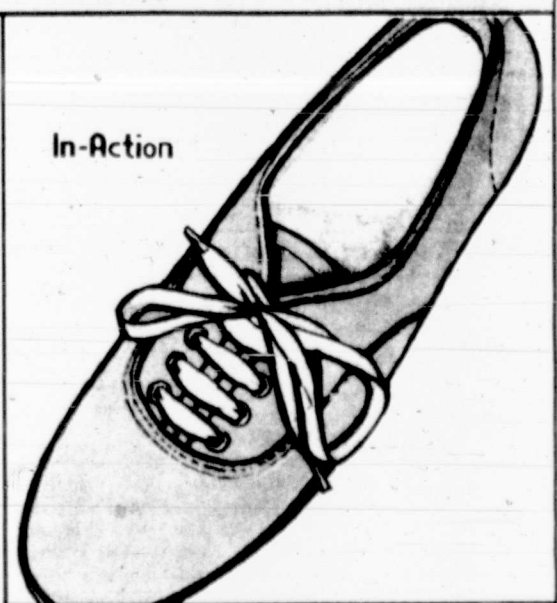


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