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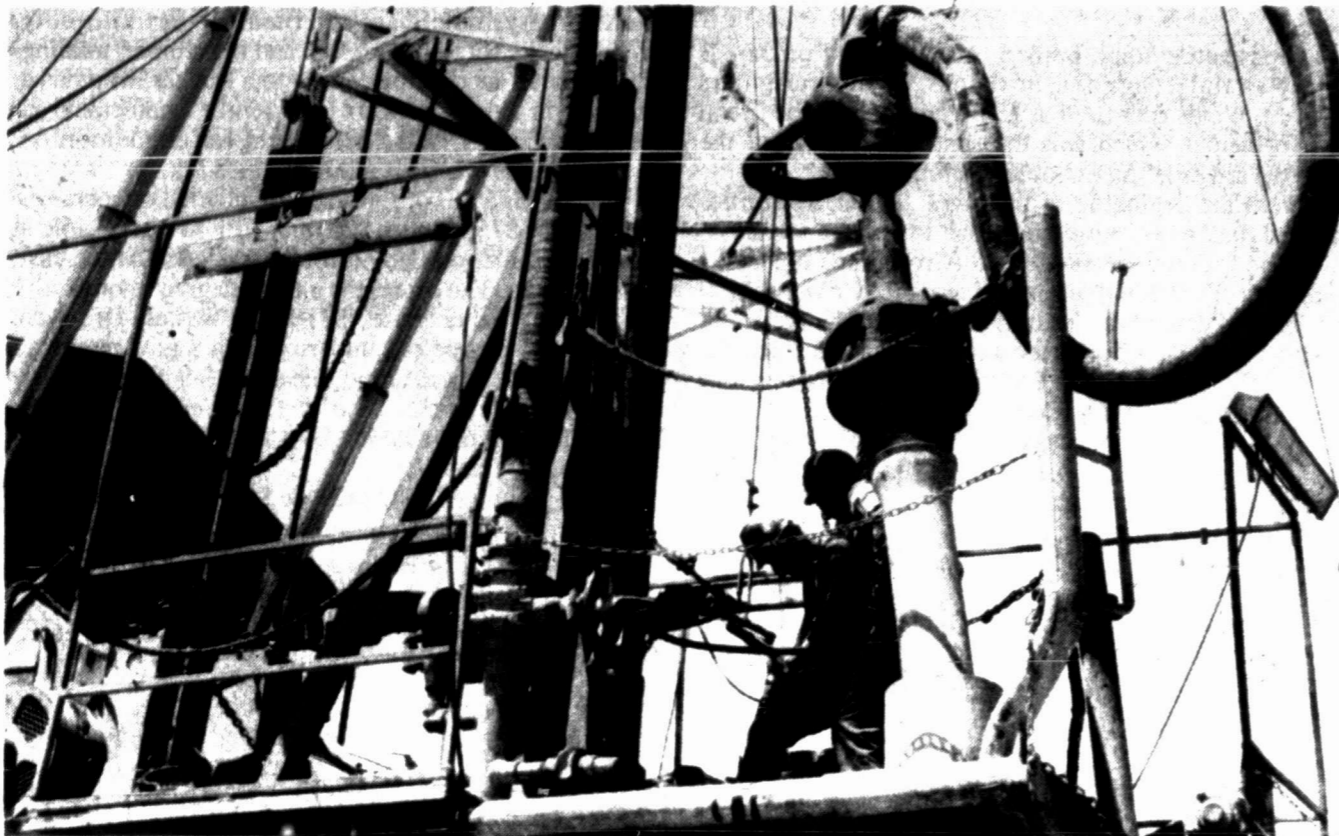
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(Staff photo by Bear Mills)

Oil field workers prepare to drill a horizontal well in the Panhandle Carson Field northwest of Skellytown Monday afternoon.

Serco officials say horizontal drilling can revitalize oil fields

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Officials at Service Fracturing Company - Serco - of Pampa are predicting that use of a modified form of horizontal drilling could lead to a mini oil boom for Panhandle fields.

While horizontal drilling has been used some in other parts of the state, this week Serco has begun the first such project in the Panhandle in the Carson Field, northwest of Skellytown.

Jay Riley, public relations director for the project, said, "They will have a well with two open holes, one at each end. They are drilling a well down vertically to 3,000 feet, then turning horizontally. They will drill into an existing well hole, or fracture. This, basically, will be a real expensive drain hole."

He said that pressure "fracking" both holes, Serco will be able to go from 10 barrels of oil a day to several times that amount.

"Anything more than what present technology is able to bring out of the ground will be a blessing," Riley said. "We will have proof through this venture to show you can spend a half-million dollars on six or eight wells and it will pay out. There will be money made and there will be people put back to work."

If the process is successful on the first well, Serco has 180 other wells in the same field waiting to be horizontally drilled.

Fred Mills, vice president of Lovett Underwood Neuhouse & Webb Inc., an investment analyst who has just completed a study of Serco, said, "My guess is this will not represent any net risk for investors. As near as we can tell, if the results are disappointing, the pay-out will just take longer."

Mills said his company, which has offices in Dallas and Houston, will recommend Serco as "a very attractive investment," based in part on the modified horizontal drilling concept.

Currently, Serco stock is selling for around \$6 a share.

Jerry H. Guinn, president of Serco, developed the Low Pressure Reservoir Alternative Completion Technology concept, called LPRACT, as a way of making "tapped out" wells pro-

perous again.

Guinn said only about 20 percent of the oil in any given reservoir could be accessed using traditional drilling and pumping methods. However, with the horizontal drilling, a new prosperity could be on the horizon for the Panhandle, he said.

"We began working on this last July after our purchase of the oil properties (northwest of Skellytown) in April of that year," Guinn said. "We've been trying to come up with some ideas that would make it work in the Panhandle field."

Guinn said a lack of pressure in underground formations prevented oil from being lifted to the vertical section of a horizontally-drilled well.

His modifications included a vertical well bore from the bottom of the drain hole.

"We decided to drill a horizontal drain hole into a producing, existing vertical well and then we'd be able to produce all that oil from the lowest point in the drain hole," Guinn said. "By doing that, we have natural drainage to the bottom of the well."

He said horizontal displacement amounts to 967 feet.

"That's not very many feet - some people are talking about drilling horizontally 4,000 feet. Here we're trying three new things," Guinn said. "Number one is a horizontal drain hole in the Panhandle field; number two is it's the first well drilled to deliberately intersect an existing well bore to produce oil from that existing well. The third thing is it will be the first well ... that has ever been fracture treated from both ends."

Fracturing includes forcing pressure fluids and high-viscosity gels laden with sand into the formation to split it open.

Basing his calculations on oil bringing at least \$18 a barrel, Guinn said his modified horizontal drilling process will be a success.

Even without the horizontal drilling, by using fracturing, Serco has managed to up production of the 181 wells from 2,250 barrels a month to 5,807 barrels.

Guinn said LPRACT will improve stimulation treatments and enhance placement and monitoring during and after the well

is "fracked."

"That will mean another 5,760,000 barrels that can be recovered" over what was previously thought possible in the Panhandle Carson Field, Guinn said.

He also said that while a horizontal well can cost three times what a traditional vertical well costs, it will produce enough oil that it is well worth the expense.

Completion date for the project is set for Saturday, June 2.

Investment advisor Mills said the first production results should be available in September, and that by February of 1991 a complete development program for the project should give investors a good idea how much money their current investment could make.

Because of Serco's confidence in the modified procedure, they purchased 325 additional wells in the Panhandle recently.

"We've been able to do very well," Guinn said.

Serco began as a privately held corporation in Pampa in 1973 with 28 local investors and \$250,000. In 1977 there was a rights offering to the 28 investors and \$625,000 more was raised.

A second rights placement offering was held in 1979 and sold \$1.1 million additional shares. In 1980, a \$8.5 million public offering put Serco on the NASDAQ. During April of 1982 the company purchased an oil property in Fort Morgan, Colorado for over \$8 million.

Guinn said in spite of the downturn in the economy, Serco managed to grow and increase revenue from 1982 through 1985.

He said in 1987 the company saw a cutback from 248 employees in 10 operating districts to 78 employees in five districts.

However, new technology, including the modified horizontal drilling technique, is creating new opportunities for Serco. Guinn said Peat Marwick Main & Co. is currently auditing the company's records, and that the outlook indicates the company, as well as the Panhandle oil patch, could be in for an economic boost.

He said the reopening of inactive wells and expansion to Tuscaloosa, Ala., by Serco are evidence of the possibilities still to be realized in the oil business.

Commission recommends preemptive strikes against strongholds of air terrorists

By DAVID BRISCOE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - A commission investigating the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 is asking the United States to consider military strikes against air terrorists and conduct covert operations if direct action is not possible, sources close to the investigation said today.

The report asked for a national system to notify passengers of credible bomb threats. It also called for a halt to government-ordered installation of expensive plastic explosive detectors in airports, saying more testing is needed, sources said.

The seven-member commission investigated the Dec. 21, 1988, bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, which killed all 259 people aboard the jetliner and 11 people on the ground in Lockerbie, Scotland.

Members of the commission, which included four members of Congress, handed a copy of the report to President Bush and victims' family members this morning.

The report was scheduled for formal release later in the day. Sources with copies of the report provided details in advance.

"The destruction of Flight 103 may well have been preventable," the report said.

"National will - and the moral courage to use it - is the ultimate means to defeat terrorism," the report said.

The commission recommended planning, training and equipping the military for "direct, preemptive or retaliatory military actions against known terrorist hide-outs in countries that sanction them."

It also calls for public support of actions to punish terrorists.

Commission members gave Bush a private briefing on the report two hours before the president was meeting with families of those killed in the bombing.

Rep. John Paul Hammerschmidt, R-Ark., a commission member, said the report recommends elevating the stature of security officials inside the Transportation Department and the FAA.

The panel also would put a federal official "in all the major airports to do nothing but look after security," Hammerschmidt said.

He said "a lot of improvements have already been made (in airport safety) just because the Pan Am 103 incident was so dismaying and shocking."

"We were a little dismayed in the way FAA had handled security back then. Let me emphasize that isn't true right now, I think, just because of what's happened since Pan Am 103," Hammerschmidt said.

Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., said despite recent improvements there is still "a great vulnerability" to terrorism in the aviation industry.

"Terrorism is a new kind of warfare ... that we're going to have to be prepared to deal with," D'Amato said.

He said the commission offered no conclusions on who bombed Flight 103.

"That was not our mission," said D'Amato. "... That is an on-going investigation and I believe in the fullness of time they will identify with some specificity those who undertook this activity and the nation or groups who were responsible for being the prime movers."

Other details provided by the sources included:

- The report criticizes the FAA for a "flawed decision" in ordering airlines to buy and install 150 Thermal Neutron Analysis (TNA) devices at high-risk airports around the world. It says the devices probably would not have detected the plastic explosives concealed in a radio cassette recorder aboard Flight 103.

- It says the FAA should go ahead and install the six TNA units it has ordered but urged intensive research and development program to develop other technologies.

- The commission criticized the State Department for its handling of threats against Pan Am received prior to the bombing and called for a national system for warning passengers of credible bomb threats.

- The report said the State Department failed to treat victims' families with compassion and called for a strict policy requiring airlines to turn over passenger manifests within one hour after a terrorist incident.



(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Lefors Mayor Gene Gee, left, administers the oath of office to new City Council members Johnny Woodard, center, and Larry Fulton during Monday night's meeting.

Lefors to rid city of abandoned vehicles

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

LEFORS - Lefors City Council unanimously endorsed an effort Monday night to rid the city of abandoned vehicles that are cluttering parts of the city.

Councilman Ben White said, "A lot of people have said something to me about the abandoned vehicles being a health hazard."

Mayor Gene Gee said there have been complaints about one particular site in the city limits which has a number of abandoned vehicles.

Councilman Larry Fulton quoted

parts of the state traffic laws which allow law enforcement in cities, counties or the state to enforce the "junk vehicle" law.

Under the law, the vehicle must be inoperable, among other things.

Fulton said the city of Lefors should enforce the law "uniformly."

On a motion by Councilman Johnny Woodard, seconded by White, the City Council unanimously agreed to have City Attorney Rick Harris draw up a notice to one property owner where complaints have been received about the abandoned vehicles.

In unrelated business, Gee

reported to the council that he has received notification that the city will not likely be able to drill as many water wells on 40 acres of land south of the city as earlier expected.

The water rights to the land were donated to the city by Malouf Abraham Sr. during the week before the May 5 election. Gee said at that time the site would provide a maximum of five water wells.

"It looks like we'll only be able to get one well on that land. You can get so close to a property line and X distance from the next well," Gee

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Citizens Bank announces acquisition by FirstPerryton Bancorp

Citizens Bank officials publicly announced today that the acquisition of the bank by FirstPerryton Bancorp Inc. has been completed.

Larry J. Orman, president and chief executive officer of Citizens, made the announcement in a memorandum to bank employees last Wednesday. With the completion of the acquisition process, FirstPerryton Bancorp now owns 98.5 percent of the stock in the Citizens Bank & Trust Company. The transaction was actually consummated on May 8, at the conclusion of an application process begun last November.

The agreement to purchase Citizens Bank from the Valley National Bank of Arizona was announced in November 1989 with the sale subject to the approval of federal regulatory agencies.

"The change in ownership of a federally insured depository institution is always subject to the approval of the appropriate governmental agencies," President Orman said.

"They told us to expect a period of approximately

six months when the application was submitted in November. It looks like they were pretty accurate."

John Cluck, chairman of FirstPerryton Bancorp., commented, "We know that Pampa and Gray County are excellent markets with very good growth potential. Everyone has been supportive and cooperative in our expansion into Pampa. We are pleased to be here and intend for Citizens Bank to be the good corporate citizen and community partner it has always been."

"Citizens Bank is a 50-year-old bank which will continue to be a Pampa-run organization with Pampa residents serving on the board of directors. Rex McKay Jr. and John Lee Bell will continue to serve on the board as they have for many years. In addition, we will be expanding the board and naming other Pampa leaders in the near future," added Carl Ellis, president of FirstPerryton Bancorp.

"We like the way they do business in their community," said Duane Harp, vice president of Citizens Bank. "They are active in community-building activities and

strong in their support of local businesses. At Citizens Bank, we have a long-standing reputation for being a leader in the same ways in Pampa. I am excited that they do business just like we do!"

FirstPerryton Chairman Cluck said in his November announcement, "Citizens Bank is a well-established bank which will continue to be a Pampa-run organization with strong management and Pampa residents comprising the board of directors. It will continue under its state charter, and the bank's name will remain the same."

"This is not, in any way, a forced sale. This is not a branch bank of Perryton or any other bank," he added. "We're committed to expand into good financial markets in the Texas Panhandle. Pampa is one of the best."

Citizens President Orman echoed those comments today, saying "Pampa's economic capabilities are still being tapped. The fact that FirstPerryton Bancorp. would come looking for a market such as Pampa speaks

well for the business climate here.

"We intend to remain at the forefront of economic development in Pampa by providing banking services to the total community. Services which are based on sound business practices will be available to anyone who wants to keep this city the leader for this region," Orman said.

"We're seeing positive results in the bank," he concluded. "There are dedicated employees at Citizens Bank who really care about giving great service to our customers. We appreciate the support of our customers and staff."

Bank officials, noting the 50th anniversary celebration presently under way, commented on the pleasant timing of the two events. Vice President Harp said that while one can never guess when the government will be finished, this time it worked out quite nicely.

"As we were planning the 50th celebration, we all hoped they would coincide, but were afraid to plan on it," he commented.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News by press time today.

Obituaries

MARY LILLIAN VICK

Services for Mary Lillian Vick, 60, are to be at 2 p.m. Friday at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. M. B. Smith, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Vick died Monday, May 14, 1990. Mrs. Vick was born Nov. 19, 1929, at Alex, Okla. She was a resident of Pampa since 1958. She was a Baptist. She married Clyde Vick on June 14, 1946. Survivors include her ex-husband, Clyde Vick of Pampa; three sons, John Vick of Pampa and Jesse C. Vick and Melvan J. Vick, both of Fritch; four daughters, Mary Virginia Shrum of Oklahoma City; Carolyn Sue Purvis and Bonnie J. Calder, both of Pampa, and Sandra Kay Scott of Borger; two step-daughters, Juanita Smith of Pampa and Hellen Pool of Hobbs, N.M.; three sisters, Hellen Evans of Shawnee, Okla.; Lula Curry of Idabel, Okla., and Zula Smith of Chattanooga, Tenn.; three brothers, Robert Thompson of Nashville, Tenn., and Joe Thompson and Clyde Thompson, both of Rialto, California. The family will be at 921 E. Campbell.

Police report

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

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Rosa Davilla, 944 S. Barnes, reported an assault at 1001 E. Frederic.
A juvenile reported an assault at Pampa High School.
Police reported a domestic assault in the 1300 block of Coffee.
The city of Pampa reported criminal mischief at Aspen Park.
Herbert D. Snow, 1144 S. Faulkner, reported a theft at the residence.
Renee Trainer, 1336 Coffee #1, reported criminal trespassing at the residence.

Minor accidents

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

Fires

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

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....	911
Fire.....	911
Police (emergency).....	911
Police (non-emergency).....	665-8481

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said, explaining part of the regulations on water well spacing. "It may turn out to be limited somewhat," Gee said. Lefors resident Curley Callaway addressed the council and asked why some houses in the Lefors area cannot be annexed into the city limits and "start paying some taxes." Gee said there have been unsuccessful attempts in the past to annex property. "These people who are not in the city limits are paying a surcharge (on water/sewer bills) that would probably offset their taxes if they were annexed," Gee said. The mayor said a majority of the people in the area to be annexed would have to petition the City Council for the annexation to go through. He also said that if certain parts of the west side of town are annexed, an additional expense to the city of a lift station for sewer purposes would be needed. "It (annexation possibility) has not been avoided by the City Council," Gee said. Prior to the meeting, Mayor Gee, who was re-elected on May 5, was sworn into office by White. Gee then swore Woodard and Fulton, the

two new city councilmen, into office. After swearing the two councilmen in, Gee said, "This will be one of the neatest journeys you'll ever undertake. You'll make major decisions in a very short time. I think you'll love this place even more when you put your heart and soul into it." In other business, the council: • Canvassed the election results. • Approved the payment of bills on a 4-0 vote. Councilman Derl Boyd abstained from the vote. Prior to voting, Boyd said he believed the City Council should set a limit on how much a city employee can spend without the mayor's approval; and a limit on how much the mayor can approve before City Council action is needed. Gee said, "To this point there hasn't been a dollar figure quoted me as an end point to stop spending." Boyd said, "You can have an open hand on that and it can go wild. I'm not saying it has." The mayor responded, "I can tell you it hasn't happened." Questioning a bill to Ogden & Sons in Pampa, Boyd was told it was for tires that cost \$70 each. Curley Callaway, owner of Curley's Service Station in Lefors, who was in the audience, said he could have

soled the tires to the city for \$55 each. "If Curley can beat Ogden and Son, let's get it done in Lefors," Boyd said. The mayor agreed, saying, "That's a good idea." • Discussed a grant application survey. Gee said the results of the survey will either assist or defeat the city in its application for a grant application to the Department of Commerce. The mayor explained that attempts must be made to contact 100 percent of the city residents with 70 percent responding to the survey to make it valid. The survey is to determine how many low- to moderate-income people reside in the city. The last survey was completed in 1986-87, Gee said, and the city at that time had 51 percent low- to moderate-income residents. Gee said the survey needs to be completed by July 1 and the City Council will likely have a special meeting to discuss the grant application procedure. • Unanimously approved donating \$100 to the drug/alcohol-free party following the Lefors High School graduation on May 25. • Went into a 25-minute executive session to have private consultations with the city attorney, and to discuss real estate matters.

Soviets protest against Baltic independence

By BRYAN BRUMLEY
Associated Press Writer

VILNIUS, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Thousands of whistling and shouting Soviet soldiers tried to break into Latvia's Parliament today as part of a Baltic-wide protest of independence moves, witnesses said. The drama came a day after Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev declared moves by Latvia and Estonia to break from Moscow null and void. He gave no hint whether he would retaliate with sanctions as he has with Lithuania. "The whole street is full of people. No doubt there are thousands of people, and only thanks to special militia units the situation has normalized," said Aris Jansons, chief aide to Latvia's president. Latvia on May 4 declared it was moving toward independence. Estonia took a similar step March 30.

Lithuania made an immediate break from Moscow on March 11, prompting a Kremlin economic blockade. All three republics were independent until the Soviet Union annexed them in 1940. Rallies and brief strikes were scheduled today in all three republics by groups opposing independence. Some businesses were reported to have closed briefly in Latvia. But in Vilnius, the Lithuanian capital, the rallies failed to materialize. The most dramatic scene was reported in Riga. Jansons said thousands of soldiers and military cadets age 18-22 gathered outside the building of the Latvian Supreme Soviet, or parliament, and 100 yards away on another square. They apparently were not acting under any orders but felt the need to protest on their own. Most of the

soldiers are Russians and other non-Latvians who feel threatened by the independence drive. Latvian television showed the Riga protest and Supreme Soviet proceedings in a live broadcast. Banners carried by the protesters declared, "Long Live the U.S.S.R." and "Latvia Should Be a U.S.S.R. Republic," according to Jansons, who was speaking from the Parliament building. A small group of Latvians supporting independence staged a counter-demonstration in the same area, he said. Elita Gosjavicius, a Latvian Supreme Soviet spokeswoman, earlier said about 50 soldiers, joined by military cadets, tried to enter the Parliament building but left a half-hour after ethnic Latvians sang folk songs and blocked their way. A larger group of soldiers returned later, Jansons explained.

Grand jury returns arson indictment in Cabot Kingsmill Plant house fire

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

A Gray County grand jury returned 11 felony indictments on Monday, including one against a man charging him with the arson of his residence on Jan. 3 in the Cabot Kingsmill Camp.

The grand jury also returned one misdemeanor indictment. Brent K. Crossman, 31, now of 1901 Lynn, was charged with the arson of his former residence after a lengthy investigation, District Attorney Harold Comer said.

Crossman's home burned to the ground on Jan. 3 and was fully engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived. Winds estimated at 35-40 mph fueled the fire at the residence, which was the first house north of the railroad tracks at the Cabot Kingsmill Camp.

From the beginning of the investigation, authorities labeled the fire as "suspicious" due to burn patterns. "The indictment alleges he (Crossman) did it for purposes of collecting insurance money," Comer said.

The residence was insured with Trinity Universal of Kansas for \$31,000 and the contents were insured for \$18,600, Comer said. The mortgage balance was approximately \$20,000, Comer said.

Arson is a second-degree felony, punishable by a maximum 20 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

On an unrelated charge, Crossman and his wife, Tina Marie Crossman, 28, of the same address, were indicted on identical charges of passing a forged prescription on Nov. 3.

Comer said the couple allegedly passed the prescription at Keyes Pharmacy. The charges are third-degree felonies, punishable by a maximum 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

The grand jury returned the following other indictments:

- Robert Lee Luster Jr., 26, 716 E. Albert, was indicted on an April 20 charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon on a premises licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages. He allegedly carried a Pakistan dagger into the Tee Room. The offense is a third-degree felony.
- Odus Odell Preston, 35, 844 E. Craven, was indicted on a charge of possession of marijuana, a third-

degree felony. Comer said an officer had received information Preston was growing marijuana in his back yard. After a search warrant was obtained, 40 plants were discovered in the back yard, Comer said the investigation showed.

• Roy Johnson, 61, 713 Octavius, was indicted on a March 25 charge of burglary of a habitation, a first-degree felony. Johnson allegedly broke into a residence and stole a .22-caliber rifle and a safety box with \$70. Maximum punishment for a first-degree felony is life in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

• Sandra Bogart, 29, of Wisconsin, had an eight-count forgery indictment returned. Bogart allegedly forged checks between October and November, totaling \$2,082, on an account belonging to a trucker, who has a residence in Pampa. Bogart is currently incarcerated in Columbia County, Wis., being held for extradition on the charge. The charge is a third-degree felony.

• Ike D. Hill, 17, of Lefors, was indicted on a charge of theft over \$750, under \$20,000. Hill allegedly stole a two-wheel trailer on Feb. 9 from a residence on the east side of Pampa. The offense is a third-degree felony.

• Pearley Edna Wise, 32, 1001 Varnon Dr., was indicted on a charge of tampering with a governmental record (welfare fraud). She allegedly falsified welfare records and drew excessive welfare benefits totaling \$1,352. The offense date is July 15, 1988. The charge is a third-degree felony.

• C.L. Winborne, 54, 1121 S. Sumner, was indicted on a charge of tampering with a governmental record (welfare fraud). Winborne allegedly falsified governmental records allowing him to receive \$1,834 in excessive food stamp benefits from January through June 1989. The charge is a third-degree felony.

• Gloria Romero, 44, 937 S. Hobart, was indicted on a charge of tampering with a governmental record (welfare fraud). Romero allegedly falsified welfare records enabling her to receive \$1,825 in excessive food stamps from April through August 1988. The offense is a third-degree felony.

The following misdemeanor indictment was returned: • Garland Dewey Kysar, 44, 852 S. Faulkner, was indicted on an April 21 charge of driving while intoxicated.

Assault of policeman under investigation

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Pampa police detectives are investigating reports by patrol officers that a youth assaulted Officer Paul Zabriske during a fray early Saturday morning outside the Pampa Community Building.

Officials with the Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce, which manages the Community Building at 200 E. Kingsmill, said a birthday party attended by about 150 youths was being held at the center.

Around 12:30 a.m. on Saturday morning, police responded to a fight, where over 100 persons had poured into the street.

A press release from the police department stated that when officers arrived and attempted to speak with one of the people allegedly involved in the fight, the suspect became combative and broke away from them.

Deputy Chief Ken Hall reported, "The suspect moved back into the crowd and the crowd got in between the suspect and the officers. As other officers arrived, the officers separated the suspect from the crowd and attempted to make an arrest."

He said as the suspect continued to fight police, members of the crowd "started to pull officers away from the suspect and interfered with

the arrest." As the suspect fled the site, police said youths blocked their pursuit.

Hall said since officers had identified the suspect, they decided the best way to quell the situation was to disperse the crowd and not make any arrests at that time.

Zabriske was treated and released at Coronado Hospital for an injury received in the fight, police said.

Through press time today, no arrests had been made in the case.

Chamber officials said their information indicated the suspect had not been invited to the party, but was crashing the event.

EPA chief backs resettlement of Love Canal

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency has pronounced most of the abandoned Love Canal neighborhood safe for people to move back in.

EPA Administrator William Reilly endorsed a 1988 study of the virtual ghost town, removing the last federal barrier to the sale of 236 homes, or two-thirds of the homes evacuated in the '70s because of an underground leak of toxic chemicals.

Reilly said Monday the study by the state and the EPA was legally and scientifically sound and should not be

overturned as neighborhood and environmental activists had requested. "There is no undue health risk to buying homes and raising children," he said.

New York's Love Canal Area Revitalization Agency plans to sell 60 to 75 homes a year for three years beginning this summer, said James Carr, the agency's planning director. About 200 people already are signed up to buy homes.

Among them is Philip Palmisano, a retired bar owner who lives in nearby North Tonawanda with his

wife and son. "I'm no scientist or chemist, but you have to take somebody's word on it," he said. "The government wouldn't let us move in there if it wasn't safe, would they?"

The homes to be sold are in a ring around a huge dump in the middle of the neighborhood. All are two or more block blocks from a six-block-long pit left over from a canal project where tons of PCBs, dioxin and other toxic chemicals were dumped by Hooker Chemical Co. in the 1940s and early '50s.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR. If your home has brick that need repair Call Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

FREE DIP with clip! Boarding. Mona, 669-6357. Adv.

CORONADO HOSPITAL Junior Volunteer Sign Up Day, Thursday, May 17th, 3:45 p.m. at Coronado Hospital. Adv.

EASY'S PRIVATE Club, 2841 Perryton Parkway will now be open Sundays. Adv.

VOLUNTEER HELP is needed at the Salvation Thrift Store. Contact the manager. 669-9024. Adv.

MATHIS CARPET Cleaning can professionally clean your carpet and protect it from stains and soiling at the same time! With new DuPont Masterseries. 665-4531. Adv.

MARTIAL ARTS (Tae Kwon Do) Classes at Clarendon College starting now. Call Gale or April 665-8554. Adv.

HAIRCUTS-KIDS \$6, Men \$8. Call Linda at McBrides, 669-0902. Adv.

PROM NIGHT Reservations being taken at the Biarritz Club. Dinner Specials. Lincoln Continental service available, and carriage shuttle service from motel to Prom. Call for details. Adv.

LOST: BILLFOLD. Finder can keep money, but return the rest. Return to Furr's Food Store. Noel Southern. 669-6626. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
Tonight, fair with a low in the upper 50s, and northwesterly winds 10-20 mph. Wednesday, mostly sunny with a high in the upper 70s and northerly winds 10-20 mph. Monday's high was 81; the overnight low was 66.

REGIONAL FORECAST
West Texas — Widely scattered to scattered thunderstorms east of mountains tonight, a few possibly severe eastern sections. Isolated thunderstorms Concho Valley Wednesday. Otherwise fair through Wednesday. Lows tonight mid 50s Panhandle and mountains to mid 70s Big Bend. Highs Wednesday mid 70s Panhandle to near 105 Big Bend.

North Texas — Partly cloudy, warm and humid through Wednesday with scattered thunderstorms, mainly in northwest sections. Some thunderstorms severe tonight in all but southeast sections. Lows tonight in upper 60s to mid 70s. Highs Wednesday in mid 80s to low 90s.

South Texas — Mostly cloudy at night and mornings. Partly cloudy afternoons and evenings through Wednesday. Isolated to widely scattered afternoon and evening show-

ers or thunderstorms. Windy over the coastal plains. Highs near 100 lower Rio Grande plains, 80s immediate coast to 90s elsewhere. Lows in the 70s.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Thursday through Saturday
West Texas — Panhandle: Chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms each day. Highs mid 70s to low 80s. Lows in mid 50s. South Plains: Chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms each day. Highs upper 70s to mid 80s. Lows upper 50s to low 60s. Permian Basin: Slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms each day. Highs low 80s to upper 80s. Lows low 60s to mid 60s. Concho-Pecos Valley: Slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms each day. Highs mid 80s to upper 80s. Lows mid 60s to upper 60s. Far West: Fair and warm. Highs mid 80s to upper 80s. Lows around 60. Big Bend: Slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms each day. Highs mid 80s mountains to near 100 along the Rio Grande. Lows in the 50s mountains to upper 60s along the river.

North Texas — Generally, partly cloudy, warm and humid with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows in mid 60s to low 70s. Highs in mid

80s to low 90s.

South Texas — Generally, partly cloudy warm and humid. Hill Country and South Central: Chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the 80s to near 90. Lows in upper 60s to near 70. Coastal Bend: Highs in the 80s coast to low 90s inland. Lows in the 70s. Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Highs in the 80s coast to 90s inland. Lows in the 70s. Southeast and Lower Coast: Chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the 80s to near 90. Lows near 70.

BORDER STATES
Oklahoma — Tonight thunderstorms likely northwest with scattered thunderstorms elsewhere. Some thunderstorms will be severe. Lows mid 50s Panhandle to near 70 south. Wednesday Partly cloudy and cooler Panhandle. Thunderstorms likely southeast with scattered thunderstorms elsewhere. Highs mid 70s Panhandle to mostly 80s elsewhere.

New Mexico — Partly cloudy north tonight and Wednesday with a slight chance of showers. Elsewhere mostly sunny Wednesday. A bit cooler north and east Wednesday. Lows tonight low 30s mountains to low 60s southeast. Highs Wednesday low 60s mountains to low 90s south.

Lawmakers say they'll try to override governor's veto of reform

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — After lawmakers and Gov. Bill Clements failed to reach a compromise on overhauling the school finance system, legislative leaders said they would try to override the governor's promised veto of their reform plan.

"We will make the effort (to override). We're going to let everybody be counted," House Speaker Gib Lewis said Monday, after weekend-long negotiations with the governor's office fell apart.

The House and Senate this afternoon were scheduled to take up the school finance reform package opposed by Clements. The plan was endorsed 7-3 by a conference committee, with members divided along party lines.

A two-thirds vote is needed in the Legislature to enact a bill over the governor's objections.

The continued stalemate brings Texas closer to having a court-written reform plan that could divert state funds from relatively wealthy districts to poor ones, Lewis said.

"I'd say we're one step closer," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth.

If by June 1 lawmakers and Clements don't come up

with a school finance reform plan as ordered by the state Supreme Court, court master William Kilgarlin will propose one.

The Supreme Court told the state to devise a finance system that makes more money available to property-poor school districts.

Kilgarlin has said he doesn't have the power to increase state taxes for education, so his plan would have to divert current state aid from relatively wealthy to poorer districts.

In criticizing the conference committee bill, Clements asserted it would require an income tax and higher property taxes in future years.

"They have not made any concessions, and they have come in with the same old palaver, which I will never agree to," he said.

Democratic lawmakers said their bill includes many provisions requested by the Republican governor.

They said a plan he supports would force local property tax increases by pumping an inadequate amount of state aid into reforming the school system, which relies on state, local and federal money.

Legislative negotiators said they went at least halfway — for example, by reducing the five-year cost of the bill from a maximum \$8 billion to a maximum \$6

billion — but that the governor's staff kept making new demands.

Clements said he wanted to work with lawmakers, but some were skeptical about his role in negotiations.

"I don't see the governor's office moving a hell of a lot," said Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin.

But Rep. Terral Smith, R-Austin, said, "I think he (Clements) came to the table with some chips and didn't get anything."

Smith said among other items, Clements' staff indicated he was willing to support an increase in so-called sin taxes — levies on alcoholic beverages or tobacco — to pay for a bill he'd support. The governor wouldn't say whether such a commitment was made.

Funding options include budget cuts, higher state fees and an increase in sin taxes or the state sales tax, Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby said.

The bill is meant to use \$555 million in new funding next school year; without additional revenue, money could be shifted from richer to poorer school districts.

Although senators have called \$555 million a bottom line, Lewis said it's possible the bill could be funded with less. He said new taxes might be avoided through a package including fee increases, and that he opposed raising sin taxes to fund the education bill.

"With the states looking at sin tax, and the federal government looking at sin tax, and those sinners starting to be less sinful, that revenue is decreasing ever year," he said.

The Democratic-controlled Legislature is in its third special session on school finance reform. It was called after the governor vetoed a half-cent sales tax increase last session, killing a \$555 million reform plan the tax was meant to fund.

Besides criticizing the future cost of lawmakers' plan to the state, Clements said it could cause local property tax rates to "explode" by 1995, as school districts sought the maximum state aid available. School districts would be guaranteed a certain amount of money if they levy local property taxes at a particular rate, as under the current system.

But lawmakers said school districts would get additional state funding even without going to the maximum property tax rate, so many districts wouldn't do so.

They said Clements' plan would cost up to \$5.36 billion over five years, and he hasn't offered concrete proposals to finance it.

Clements also said he wanted more deregulation of schools. Legislative leaders said their bill contains measures to improve education and to give schools more local control, while ensuring quality.

Residents fleeing homes as flood waters near

By MICHAEL L. GRACZYK
Associated Press Writer

CAMILLA, Texas (AP) — The Flood of 1990 has yet to arrive in Romayor, but already residents have fled their homes and Kimbel Lambert has had booming business.

"Business has picked up in a big kind of way. We ran out of ice today earlier, but we're doing all right now," said Lambert, 26, a clerk at his father's Romayor Grocery, located about two miles from the swelling Trinity River.

Sunday brought hordes of sight-seers to their combination grocery-gas station for fuel, snacks, ice and drinks. By Monday, as residents continued to leave the area, they too stocked up on supplies from Romayor Grocery.

Lambert said many of the home owners in the area use the houses as weekend getaways from Houston. "But there's a lot of people who live here year-round and they're gone now," he said.

"They've bought ice, gas, a lot of food," Lambert said. "We have a kitchen in the back and all. Well, nobody's cooking — it's just kinda eat and run. So they're buying snacks, Cokes, beer — mainly beer, nerve medicine, y'know."

Lambert said flood waters are trickling into Romayor, about 50 miles northeast of Houston and 15 miles south of the Lake Livingston Dam. But residents are not expecting the worst until next week.

"It's going out of the banks now at Horseshoe Lake Estates and New River Lake Estates, but most of the people have already left there," Lambert said. "All but about three families have moved out of New River Estates, but it's not bad there yet."

Authorities prepared Monday to release record amounts of water from Lake Livingston Dam at Camilla, producing what may be the worst flooding in low-lying areas in a century.

Grady Manis, southern region manager of the Trinity River Author-

ity, said late Monday releases continued at 71,500 cubic feet per second, but expected to increase the rate to a record 75,000 cfs by early today.

"We're just waiting and watching," Manis said. "We've gotten some strong south winds and that's kind of pushing the lake back towards the north, so we're not releasing as much. But you can't make it go away."

About 7,000 residents downstream from the dam, 60 miles northeast of Houston, were advised to evacuate last week. Flooding in Texas over the past several weeks has claimed 12 lives.

Meanwhile, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower flew over the Liberty area Monday, estimating crop and livestock damage of \$500 million to \$700 million. Hightower said it would be 10 days to two weeks before accurate agricultural losses are calculated.

The commissioner said the affected regions combine to produce

33 percent of the wheat grown in Texas, 66 percent of the oats and 49 percent of the hay.

"What's scary is what we know is coming," said Alanna Shaver, whose family left their Hardin home in favor of a travel trailer next to the Red Cross shelter in Hardin.

But by late Monday, only five people were staying at the Hardin shelter.

"We still have only a handful of people," said Bob Mattern, a volunteer from the Houston Red Cross chapter. "We're manning the shelter around the clock anyway. We want to be prepared."

Mattern said once the flood waters begin entering the area, residents could be out of their homes for weeks.

Manis said he expected peak releases from Lake Livingston Dam of between 90,000 and 100,000 cubic feet per second next week. Waters at the dam are expected to crest at the lake for the first time on Thursday or Friday.



(AP Laserphoto) Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower uses a map to point out some of the problem areas Liberty County is having due to recent flood problems.

Tornado throws couple 100 yards without serious injury

ANSON (AP) — When they knew a twister was headed for their house, Jesse and Mindy Hill took cover — in their bathtub.

A tornado moving across Jones County destroyed a mobile home then cut across a pasture toward the Hills' residence about 6 p.m. Monday.

The couple jumped in their bathtub and pulled a mattress over themselves for protection. The cyclone destroyed their house and flung them about 100 yards into a shallow creek.

Afterwards, they were bruised and shaken, but not seriously hurt.

"We drove up just as they were getting ready to get into an ambulance," said John Thomas, a newsman for KTAB-TV in Abilene. "They were covered with mud. They looked like coal miners."

All that was left of the Hills' home was a cement slab, Thomas said.

"There was debris all over the place. There was a pickup truck tossed near the creek. It was demolished, and there was a car tipped up on its side. It looked like it had been rolled over a few times."

On the north edge of Anson, Thomas and his

television crew reported offices of Buckeye Supply Co. in rubble. It appeared to have taken a direct hit, he said.

The twister hit several homes Monday evening and caused a few injuries, all minor near Anson, about 25 miles northwest of Abilene, the Jones County sheriff's department said.

"We've had quite a few houses destroyed out of town, to the northwest of us," said Tracy Daniel, a jailer with the Jones County sheriff's department.

Several mobile homes were reported destroyed on Lake Fort Phantom Hill about 15 miles northeast of the center of Abilene.

Power lines were down throughout the area. Daniel said there was heavy rain, hail up to baseball-size and high winds. He said several accidents were attributed to the storm.

About two hours after the storm first hit in northern Jones County, weather spotters reported seeing a funnel cloud in southern Jones County, just north of the Abilene city limits, near the Pride refinery, about 8:41 p.m.

Department of Public Safety dispatcher Char-

lie Rose said the refinery sustained minor damage, but that a few houses and buildings nearby lost parts of their roofs. He also said some power lines were down.

A spokesman for a hospital in Hamlin, 18 miles northwest of Anson, said three people injured in the storm arrived about 6:45 p.m. Two were treated and released, but a 39-year-old man was admitted with abrasions. He was in stable condition.

"We have only one, but it's not from the storm. A lady fell and broke her hip trying to get in her storm cellar," said Sharon Brown, director of nursing at Anson Memorial Hospital.

A succession of tornado warnings was issued for Jones County, beginning soon after radar indicated a possible tornado at 5:35 p.m. near the Tuxedo community, about 10 miles northwest of Anson.

At 6:35 p.m. and again at 7:38 p.m., radar indicated the tornado was still alive.

Movement was "erratic, but generally east southeast at 10 to 15 miles per hour," the weather service said in warning residents of northern Jones County to take cover.

Attorneys 'disgusted' by MHMR move to reclaim money

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorneys for mentally retarded people said they were disgusted by a move by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to try and reclaim money for the treatment of a client who died in their care.

The MHMR department has admitted responsibility in the drowning death of a profoundly mentally retarded quadriplegic but is seeking \$41,000 from the client's estate for his care, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported Monday.

The 35-year-old man, Julio Espinoza Jr., died in 1987 after Travis State School workers left him in an off-limits whirlpool bath while they washed other residents. He slipped off a plastic seat and was submerged in the churning water for as long as 10 minutes.

Espinoza's mother and father, who live in San Marcos, have sued the MHMR Department for actual damages and punitive fines.

A department internal report obtained by the *American-States-*

man shows the agency has admitted in court documents that it is responsible for Espinoza's death because retarded clients are not to be left unattended while bathing.

The department, however, said it wants \$41,222.60 from any jury award to Espinoza's estate "for support, maintenance and treatment" of Espinoza.

"That's disgusting," said Diane Shisk, attorney for Advocacy Inc., a federally funded agency that represents people with disabilities.

"It's outrageous that they're doing this with someone who has died at their hands," she said.

Attorney Terry Weldon of Austin, who represents the Espinozas, said MHMR is trying to either intimidate the Espinozas or minimize the jury award.

"I would be amazed to find the department had attempted to make such a collection from any other

family before," Weldon said.

But Maureen Powers, the assistant attorney general who represents MHMR in the Espinoza case, said the state should be able to recoup the money.

She said the state would collect the money only if Espinoza's estate

is awarded money, and would not take money from any award that may go to his parents.

Espinoza's parents could collect up to \$250,000 for the wrongful death and up to \$40,000 for violations of the Texas Mentally Retarded Persons Act.

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Our Opinion

Keep your hands out of our pockets

People are getting tired of taxes. And yet the politicians from local through federal levels seem to ignore that situation as they cry for more taxation to fund everything from economic development programs and supposedly better public education through bailing out mismanged savings and loan institutions and eliminating an astronomical federal deficit that never should have been permitted in the first place.

Reports indicate that the average American family sees 34 percent of its income eaten up by taxes: income taxes, sales taxes, federal excise taxes, gasoline taxes, property taxes, corporation taxes (which the consumers ultimately pay), inheritance taxes and numerous other taxes hidden at different levels of manufacturing, processing and selling. And yet still our politicians scream for more to pay for what they perceive can be solved only by spending more of the public's money.

Recent actions, by the public and by a few politicians, indicate that some at least are aware of the people's unreadiness to accept willingly the imposition of new taxes. Pampa voters turned down a 1/2 cent sales tax increase to fund economic development programs. Gov. Bill Clements vetoed a school finance reform bill that sought to impose a 1/2 cent sales tax to fund the measure, saying the needed funds can be found by trimming state government expenditures. President Bush, so far, has resisted calls for federal tax increases to trim the federal deficit and pay for the S&L bailout, including a suggestion for a federal sales tax.

Yet some politicians still feel determined to turn taxpayers' pockets out to shake loose more change. Gov. Clements has recognized this tendency on the part of many of our state legislators, warning in his May 1 veto message, "The taxpayers of Texas will not stand for any measure that raises their sales tax to an all-time high and makes it the second highest in the nation. The average Texas family already pays more than \$1,200 per year in state sales taxes, directly or indirectly. ... In addressing this issue, the Legislature must not attempt to pass the buck to local property taxpayers," noting that legislators have threatened that if the state does not pay for school finance reform through higher state taxes, then local districts will be forced to raise their property taxes."

Clements states that legislation signed last summer has already provided nearly a half billion dollars in additional funds being set aside for property poor schools, adding that other funds can be found in non-essential areas of the state's current budget to pay for additional reforms without having to resort to a tax increase. "In all, my proposals would involve the transfer of less than one percent of funds in the budget—a move that would not impact services in any manner whatsoever," he explains.

Still, some lawmakers are fighting Clements' recommendations, preferring instead to fall back on that ol' standard cop-out: another tax increase. That is an attitude that must be held in check. As Clements states, "When faced with a financial crisis, Texans adjust their household budgets. State government should do no less. Raising taxes is the easy way out, but it's not the only way and certainly it's not the right way."

If only more politicians could adopt that viewpoint, then perhaps all taxpayers could keep more of their money in their own pockets and spend it on what they wish instead of on what the politicians dictate.

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Smart ways to clean up the air

An oil company offering ideas for improving the environment customarily gets about the same reaction as a convict pushing prison reform: skepticism mixed with outright hostility.

But some ideas are too good to ignore, and one those is Unocal's offer to buy some of the dirtiest cars in Los Angeles and grant them the merciful death they've earned.

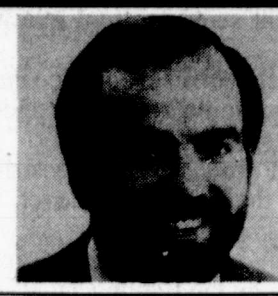
Cars built before 1981 account for less than half of the miles driven by Americans, but they produce more than 80 percent of the auto pollution. That's because they were made before Washington imposed today's strict regulations on what comes out of your car's tail pipe.

These regulations have produced an undisputed environmental success. New cars are pure as a Rocky Mountain stream compared to the cars of 20 years ago. Federal rules have eliminated 96 percent of the carbon monoxide emissions and 76 percent of the nitrogen oxides.

So which vehicles get tough new emissions controls in the Clean Air Act now before Congress? You guessed it: new cars. Old cars are mostly ignored, which means millions of them may keep spewing gunk to their carburetors' content. This is like deciding that Americans are too fat on average and then ordering all skinny people to go on a diet.

Unocal, by contrast, has adopted the biblical view: It's not the healthy who need a physician, but the sick. If old cars are doing the worst harm to the air, why not do something about old cars? It's offering to buy 7,000 of the worst ones at the handsome price of \$700 each—plus a one-month bus pass.

Junking just 7,000 of the several million vehicles clogging the highways of Southern California won't do a lot for the long-suffering lungs of Ange-



Stephen Chapman

lenos. But the plan exemplifies a simple, cheap approach to cleaner urban air, unlike the complicated, expensive method that has been embraced on Capitol Hill.

The basic approach could take several forms. One is for local governments to buy old cars at a modest premium just to get them off the road once and for all. Scrapping even a small minority of the worst polluters would produce overnight gains in air quality.

Another is to recognize that few corporations will follow Unocal's selfless example purely out of devotion to Mother Earth. Robert Hahn of the American Enterprise Institute says we should give them a more powerful incentive: Polluting companies could be allowed to meet their clean air obligations by purchasing beaters instead of, say, cleaning up factory emissions.

If an oil company finds it frightfully expensive to eliminate so many tons of emissions from its refineries, it might be allowed to eliminate an equal or greater amount of pollution from the highways instead. As long as the corporation has to clean up the air, why not let it use the cheapest method?

Another expert, Fred Smith of the Competitive

Enterprise Institute, argues that what counts is not how much pollution a car is capable of producing, but how much it actually produces. A dirty car that is driven a thousand miles a year churns out fewer fumes than a clean one that travels 30,000.

His answer: a pollution tax. In most big cities, cars are now subject to regular inspections to make sure they meet emissions standards. By checking odometers as well, inspectors could easily gauge how much pollution a car puts out every year—and lighten the owner's wallet accordingly.

This policy has two advantages over Congress' approach: It's cheaper, and it eliminates more pollution. You see, making new cars cleaner makes them more expensive as well. The more expensive they are, the longer people will hold on to their old cars. The longer they hold on to their old cars, the dirtier the air will be.

Unlike stricter new-car controls, a pollution tax would discourage unnecessary driving by forcing the driver to pay for it. Unlike stricter new-car controls, it would give owners a financial reason to trade in their smoke-billowing jalopies for pristine new models. Unlike stricter new-car controls, it would allow places with no smog to have less exacting rules than places with lots of smog.

In fact, the only drawback of the pollution tax is that it violates the favorite theme of federal environmental rules: Corporations must change their behavior so ordinary people don't have to change theirs.

A lot of Americans are committed to clean air only if the commitment can be paid for out of the profits of General Motors, Exxon and Bethlehem Steel. If we're serious about protecting the environment, we'll have to do better than that.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, May 15, the 135th day of 1990. There are 230 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Twenty years ago, in the early hours of May 15, 1970, Phillip Lafayette Gibbs and James Earl Green, two black students at Jackson State University in Mississippi, were killed when police opened fire during student protests near a women's dormitory.

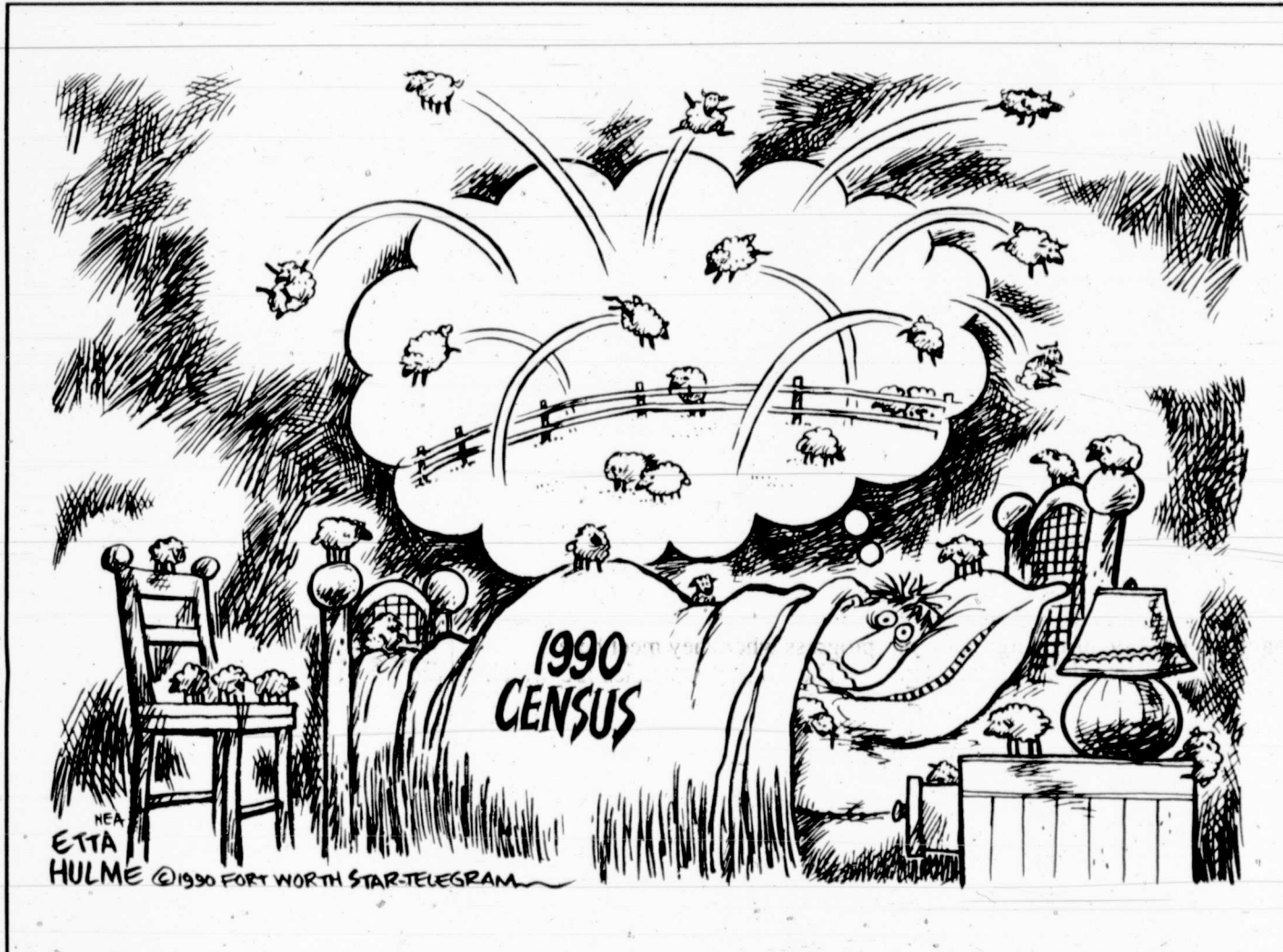
On this date:
In 1886, poet Emily Dickinson died in Amherst, Mass.

In 1911, the U.S. Supreme Court ordered the dissolution of Standard Oil Co., ruling it was in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

In 1918, U.S. airmail began service between Washington, Philadelphia and New York.

In 1930, Ellen Church, the first airline stewardess, went on duty aboard a United Airlines flight between San Francisco and Cheyenne, Wyo.

In 1972, Democratic presidential candidate George C. Wallace was shot and left paralyzed while campaigning at a Laurel, Md., shopping center.



Advice from newspaper junkie

My high school biology teacher asked me one day, "What profession are you going to pursue?"

I said, "Why?"

"Because," he answered, "newspapers are folding up every day."

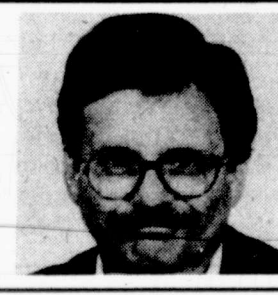
I thought it was a bad joke then. Now I think my teacher might have been prophetic.

According to the American Newspapers Publishers Association, daily newspaper circulation has been stagnant for 10 years.

And advertising growth is flat, too. After he announced that his newspaper, *The St. Louis Sun*, was dead at 7 months old, editor Ralph Ingersoll said, "The newspaper market is in turmoil."

The St. Louis Sun wanted to compete with the only other paper in town, the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. But the numbers never worked. So long, *Sun*.

I'm a newspaper junkie. If I don't get my hands on a newspaper within three minutes after I get out of bed, my hands begin to shake and I hallucinate,



Lewis Grizzard

seeing dead frogs all over my kitchen floor.

I must have a newspaper. I want to know where the nightly drive-by shooting by children with semiautomatic weapons took place and how many people got blown away, whether or not George Steinbrenner has fired Bucky Dent as manager of the Yankees yet, and what's the latest thing I shouldn't eat or drink if I don't want to die.

I want to see "The Far Side." I want to work the Jumble, I want to see what the temperature was in Chicago, and if it was miserably cold, give thanks I don't live there anymore.

I actually enjoy getting ink all over my hands. It's certainly better than frog goo.

Apparently, however, I am one of a vanishing breed and I asked myself a few questions about

why newspaper readership is stagnant and then I answered them.

WHY DON'T PEOPLE READ NEWSPAPERS ANYMORE?

It's easier to watch television. People have enough problems themselves without reading about the problems of others. We don't run photographs of semi-naked pretty women or make up stories like the grocery store tabloids do.

They don't have a dog or a parakeet.

WHAT COULD BE DONE TO GET MORE PEOPLE BUYING NEWSPAPERS?

Make up more news like the grocery store tabloids do. "New Diet! Eat a Newspaper Every Day and Drop Those Unwanted Pounds!"

WHAT WOULD I DO IF ALL THE NEWSPAPERS FOLDED AND I HAD TO FIND ANOTHER JOB?

I'd become a poet and write "An Ode to a Dissected Frog."

BRIEFLY, WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE BEST THING NEWSPAPERS HAVE GOING FOR THEM?

Most still cost only a quarter. Find me a better bargain.

I'VE ENJOYED OUR CONVERSATION. Me, too. Are you finished with the sports section yet?

What women have to endure in public

By SARAH OVERSTREET

I guess when all the testimony was over, it wasn't Charles "Chep" Hurth III's actions that stunned me. It was his attitude.

OK, I'll concede that even if you take away his attitude, Hurth's behavior was a mite odd. It's not every day that a law student at a prestigious university bites another law student on the buttocks in a public place. Bites her hard enough to leave bruises and welts, and break the skin so that a doctor has to administer medicine to keep the woman from getting an infection.

But that's exactly what Hurth did to Maia Brodie in a St. Louis Bar in 1987. In Brodie's recent damage suit against Hurth, she testified that while she was standing in the tavern, Hurth grabbed her, bit her and then ran back to his friends.

"They were laughing, high-fiving,

joking, pointing at me," she told the jury. "I was so embarrassed. It continues to be humiliating and embarrassing."

Hurth didn't even try to contradict Brodie's story. He admitted he'd bitten two other women on the buttocks at fraternity parties before he bit Brodie.

He denied he was drunk that night, and said he told her at the time that she should take the bite as a compliment because she was the "best-looking girl at the bar."

To point out that this was an unusual defense is like saying King Kong was a right big monkey. Did Hurth and his attorney think this would convince the jury that biting a woman you'd never met before on the rump isn't too serious?

They seemed to be saying: "Hey, look, folks, obviously this was a harmless little joke blown way out of proportion, or else we'd be

showing some remorse, wouldn't we? If this was a serious matter, Chep would be saying something like, 'Gosh, I don't know what got into me. All I can say is that I'm sorry and embarrassed about the whole thing. I wish the floor would just open up and swallow me right here and now.'

"If I hadn't been a foolish college student, I would never have done such a rude and hurtful thing to another human being." But since he isn't saying anything like that, and we are instead talking about the two women Cheppie bit before this one, but who didn't get all bent out of shape and sue, you all can see this is really nothing, can't you?"

I've never been bitten by a strange man, but several times I have been jeered and insulted. I guess the most notable time was when a group of older businessmen howled and barked at me while I walked to the bathroom in an elegant restaurant.

Still mystified by ol' Snappin' Chep's "Hey, what's your problem?" attitude, I was discussing the case with a male friend. He said he'd seen the same attitude many times himself.

"They may convince themselves they're just trying to have some fun, but that's not it at all," he said. "When guys like that get together, there's a kind of bully mentality that takes over."

It seems that Chep Hurth picked on Maia Brodie to assert some sort of sexual dominance over her because she is a woman, but it goes deeper than that. Hurth picked on Brodie because he perceived her to be someone weaker than him.

Maybe the pain and humiliation that she suffered was what the jury responded to when they awarded her \$2,500 in actual damages and \$25,000 in punitive damages for Hurth's bite.

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Texans jittery about release of dam water and evacuations

By LEANNE WAXMAN
Associated Press Writer

River managers today released near-record amounts of water from a dam to unburden the foaming, bloated Trinity River, forcing thousands of Texans from their homes downstream. Farmers vented their anger with threatening calls.

Sirens blared Monday each time dam operators opened huge steel gates to increase the flow of water into Lake Livingston, about 60 miles northeast of Houston. Below the dam, an estimated 7,000 people were urged to evacuate.

"What's scary is what we know is coming," said Alanna Shaver, whose family left its Hardin home in favor of a trailer next to a Red Cross shelter.

As the water has risen, so have the tempers of those in the way of the water. The Trinity River Authority said it has fielded numerous threats.

"We're very security conscious and we obviously have some unhappy campers out there," the authority's John Jadowsich said. "They're not satisfied that we've released too much water or not enough."

The dam today approached record releases of water as torrential rain two weeks ago hundreds of miles to the north finally reached Lake Livingston.

"There's not a whole lot that can be done at this point. It's a giant flood — a Texas-size flood," Jadowsich said.

Flooding since April 15 has claimed 12 lives in Texas and one in Oklahoma, where the danger was mostly over.

The flooding also may have led to a murder-suicide by a Louisiana farmer, a neighbor said. DeSoto Parish farmer James McMullen, 58, shot his 58-year-old wife, Billie, and himself Sunday, said sheriff's Capt. Marvin Melton.

Damage to Texas agriculture has been estimated at between \$500 million and \$700 million since heavy rain fell in Oklahoma and Texas two weeks ago.

Scores of people remained out of their homes in Louisiana because of the rising Red River. It was expected to flood 600 square miles there, including 200 square miles of cropland, said Maj. Jack Scherer of the Army Corps of Engineers.

The Red subsided slightly in parts of Arkansas, but the threat of flooding near Garland remained. National Guardsmen and volunteers sandbagged levees in the town about 20 miles from Texarkana.

"What they're doing now is placing sandbags at the base of the levee to clamp down on the areas where it's seeping under, like you'd bend a water hose to cut off the water," said John Upton, secretary-treasurer of the levee district.

In Washington, Sen. David Pryor of Arkansas asked the General Accounting Office to look into the way the Corps regulates water levels in the region. Some farmers and oth-

ers have blamed the Corps for some of the flooding.

"The Corps has been criticized for not releasing enough water from some of the facilities in advance of the heavy rains to provide for additional flood storage capacity," Pryor wrote.

"I am unsure as to whether or not these standard operating procedures are the best procedures we could be using to protect life and property."

Jadowsich said earlier releases on Lake Livingston would not have made much difference.

"This is the kind of flood you can expect to see every 100 years," he said. "This will become known as the Flood of 1990."

As the level of the 90,000-acre, 55-mile Lake Livingston rises, dam operators open the 12 flood gates a little wider. The releases depend on hourly reports from about a dozen inspectors, who report gauge readings upstream.

Beer and "nerve medicine" were big sellers at Romayor Grocery, 15 miles below the dam, said Kimbel Lambert, a clerk whose father owns the store.

Horde of sightseers converged on the combination grocery-gasoline station. Residents leaving the area also stocked up there.

"We have a kitchen in the back and all. Well, nobody's cooking — it's just kinda eat and run. So they're buying snacks, Cokes, beer — mainly beer, nerve medicine, y'know," Lambert said.



(AP Laserphoto)

Arkansas National Guard members and prisoners fill sandbags Monday to shore up the levee near Garland City, Ark. Although the water level is dropping, water continues to seep under the levee.

Baker heads to Moscow for talks on arms control as summit nears

By BARRY SCHWEID
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State James A. Baker III is on his way to Moscow to try to work out arms control agreements with the Soviet Union for signing at the fast-approaching Washington summit.

Baker's aides are not predicting success. "By the end of the week we should know a lot more," a senior U.S. official said before take-off Monday.

The four days of talks are Baker's last chance to work out agreements with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze for signing during the May 30-June 3 visit of Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

The two sides are in disagreement on several key issues. Gorbachev's problems at home also could get in the way.

"The general assumption is that he has increasingly acquired more of the formal power," said the senior official, who demanded anonymity. "On the other hand, his difficulties with the economy and nationalities, and the general level of dissatisfaction have, perhaps, limited his ability to use that power."

Other topics Baker will take up with Shevardnadze starting Wednesday include the restive Baltic republics and outbreaks of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union as well as accords on space, the environment and trade being prepared for the summit.

On his way, Baker stopped in New York to make a speech, promising to keep American troops in Europe even if the treaties are concluded.

"Even if all Soviet armed forces return to the U.S.S.R. and conventional arms control moves forward, the Soviet military will retain forces many times larger than those possessed by any other single state," Baker said.

He said the North Atlantic Treaty Organization would not dissolve, either. "To prevent war, we must continue to deter aggression and contain the residual threat," Baker said.

He suggested the Western alliance take on more of a political role, however, and consider holding "a solid political and military dialogue" with the Soviet Union and the countries of Central and Eastern Europe.

Baker's first meeting in the

Soviet Union will involve the Middle East. He will see Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who is visiting Moscow, Wednesday afternoon.

Administration officials said last week Baker does not plan to overhaul his strategy for getting stalled talks going between Israel and Palestinian Arabs. Mubarak has been acting as a middleman between the Bush administration and the Palestinian Liberation Organization.

Right after the Mubarak meeting, Baker holds his first round with Shevardnadze. He is to see Gorbachev Friday morning, and is scheduled to wind up his stay in Moscow with a news conference Saturday.

The most dramatic candidate for a summit signing — a treaty declaration to reduce long-range nuclear missiles, bombers and submarines — is far from complete. U.S. and Soviet negotiators have been wrangling for weeks over ballistic missiles with multiple warheads and over cruise missiles packed on jet fighters.

Baker, in a concession, is prepared to inch closer to the Soviet position on cruise missiles, limiting

their range to 500 miles instead of 625 miles, but is looking for something in exchange, said a U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

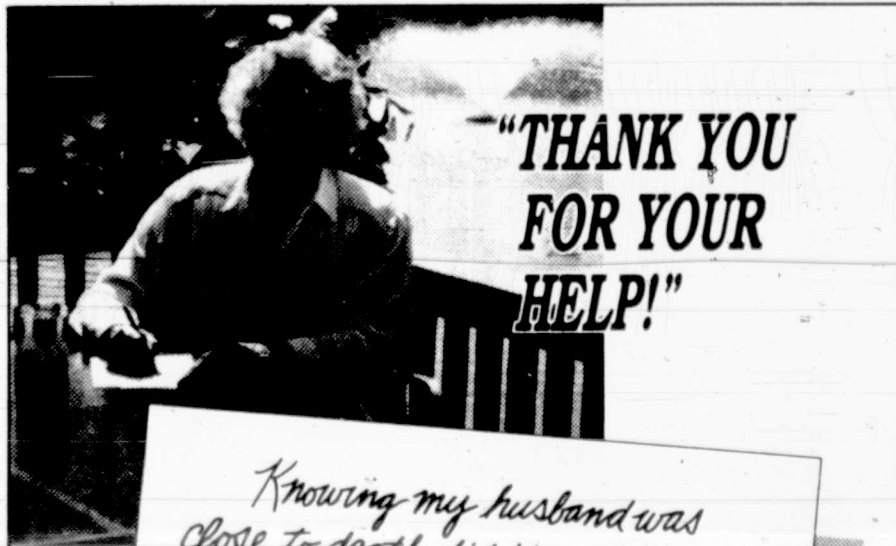
A separate treaty to reduce troops, tanks, airplanes and other non-nuclear arms in Europe is moving slowly in negotiations between NATO and the Warsaw Pact in Vienna.

That treaty is designed for signing at a 35-nation summit before the end of the year. But President Bush and Gorbachev would like to report progress when they meet here.

The biggest obstacles are which airplanes and helicopters to limit and how compliance would be ensured.

"We will be making our best effort, within our interests, to get the treaties done," the senior official said.

Margaret D. Tutwiler, the State Department spokeswoman, said, "We have always said we hoped we could conclude a START (Strategic Arms Reduction) treaty this year, and that we hoped to be able to resolve all major issues in START by the summit."



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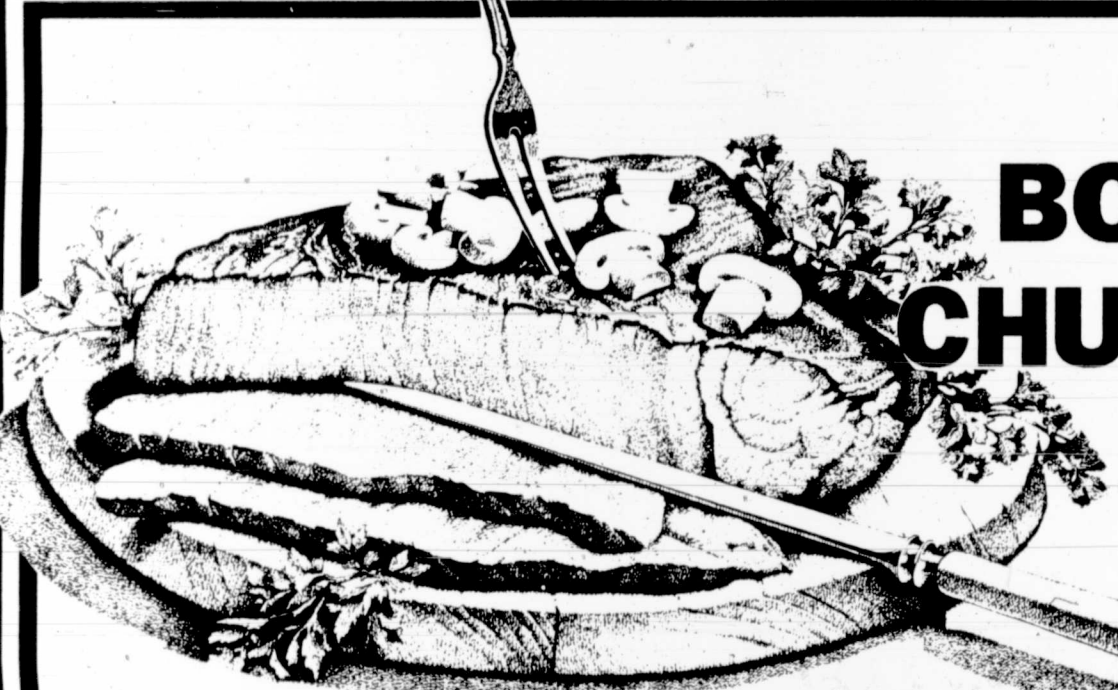
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John Hopkins doctoral candidate trains computer to lip read

By VALERIE MEEHAN
Associated Press Writer

BALTIMORE (AP) - Don't try to whisper secrets around the new computer at Johns Hopkins University.

It's learning to read lips. A decade short of the century when HAL, the voice-activated computer in the movie "2001: A Space Odyssey" talked, eavesdropped and read lips, scientists are developing the rudimentary techniques that could make a HAL possible.

Ben Yuhas, a doctoral candidate in electrical and computer engineering, has a more immediate goal. By teaching a computer to lip-read,

Yuhas hopes to improve the quality of speech-recognition systems - machines that operate on verbal commands.

Yuhas is training a computer to use sight to filter sounds, much as people watch each others' faces when conversing in a noisy room.

"The idea is to use the visual signal to clean up the accoustical signal because that is the way humans do it," Yuhas said.

Because existing speech-recognition systems operate poorly when there is a lot of background noise, their application is limited.

But applications could include airplane cockpits, where a pilot giving voice commands would have his hands free; a factory floor or court-

room; even a car phone that could dial while the driver kept both hands on the wheel.

Yuhas, using a "neural network" program on a digital computer, trained the computer to read the lips of a man pronouncing vowels on a video-laserdisc while the computer listened to the voice on a separate track, corrupted by background noise.

The computer gradually improved its ability to identify sounds after looking at the picture and listening to the sound.

Yuhas has also begun teaching the computer diphthongs and simple sentences, but he said commercial application is likely years away.

Neural network programs, modeled on biological systems, depart from conventional digital computers where processing is sequential and the rules governing how the computer thinks have to be preprogrammed. Computers that use neural networks create their own problem-solving pathways as they go.

Terry Sejnowski, a cognitive neuroscientist at the University of California-San Diego and leader in the neural-network field, said Yuhas, on an elementary level, trained a computer to accomplish what people

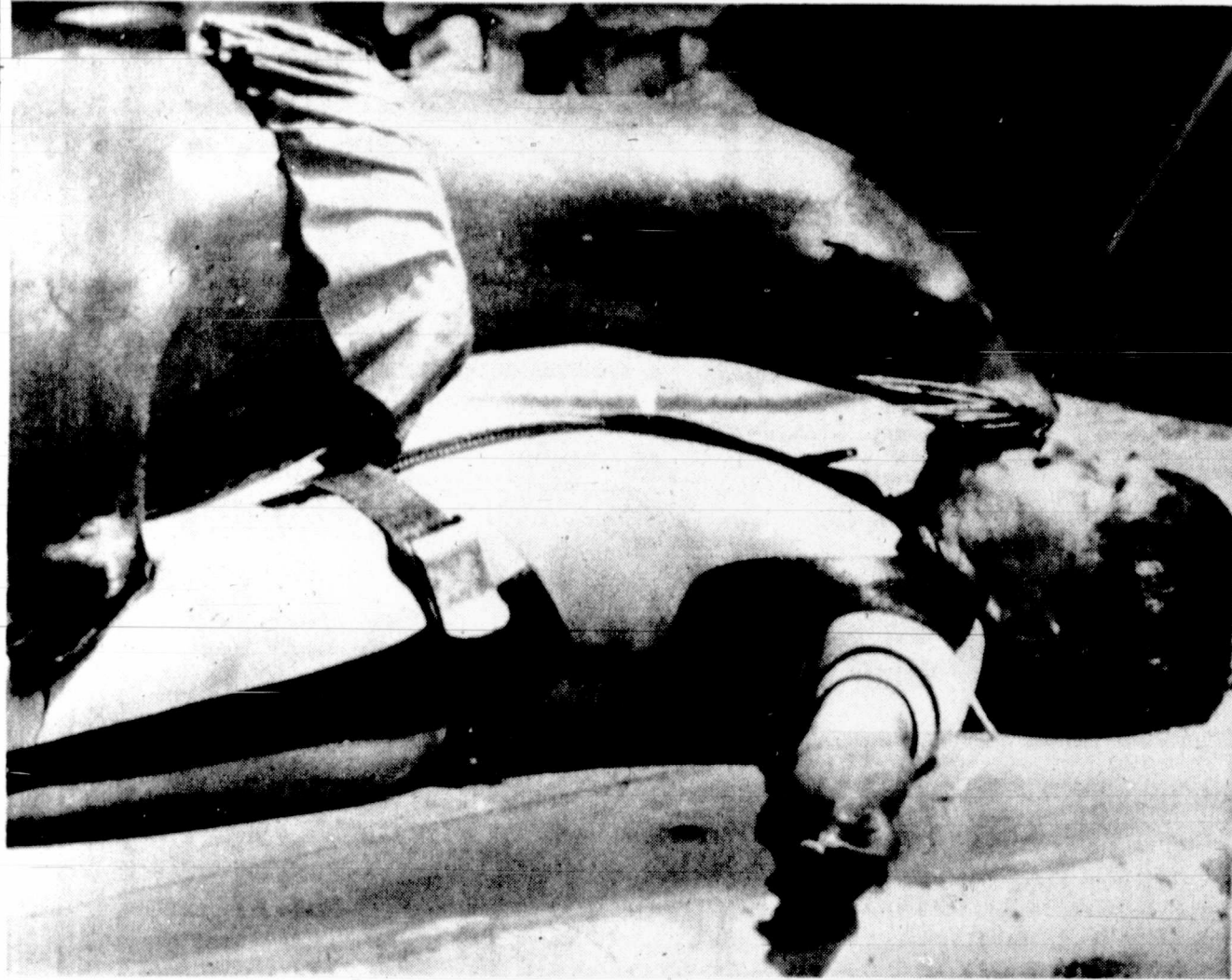
instinctively do - assimilate a lot of information from diverse sources and make sense of it.

"This is not an isolated example, but one of many advances that we're seeing and will continue to see where neural networks are applied to major unsolved problems in speech processing, in vision research and in motor control," said Sejnowski, who supervised Yuhas' thesis.

The field of neural networks has provided scientists with "great insight" into how the brain works

and thus has led to advances in training computers to recognize patterns, said Anthony N. Michel, dean of the University of Notre Dame's college of engineering. Like humans, neural networks, he said, "are good at doing things approximately."

Seal of approval



(AP Laserphoto)

A performing seal gives its trainer an approving kiss after being applauded during a performance at Water World, a Hong Kong amusement park, on Monday.

Bride and groom robbed at gunpoint following reception

NEW YORK (AP) A couple who hours earlier had promised to love each other for richer or for poorer were robbed at gunpoint of \$13,000 in wedding gifts.

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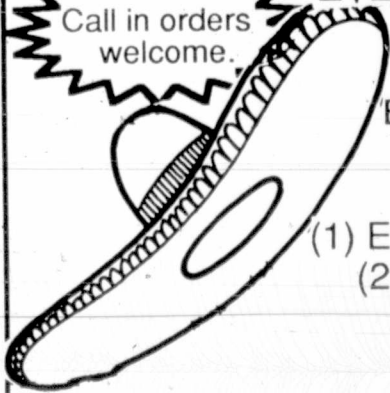
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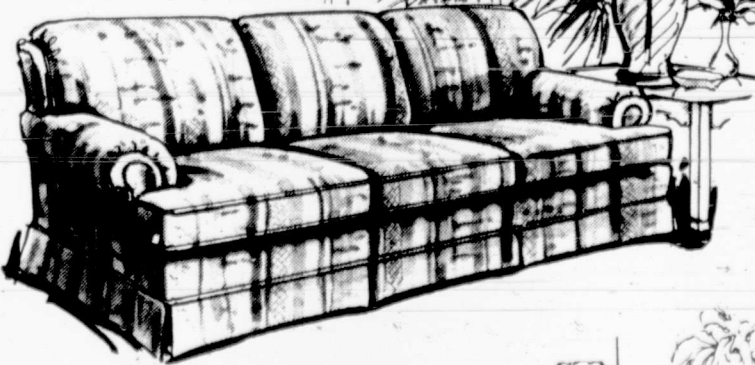
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Morgan scholarship recipient



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The Women of the Moose Hospital Committee awarded their \$400 scholarship to Marti Morgan, second from left, a Pampa High School senior who plans to attend Texas Women's University in the fall, majoring in physical therapy. Pictured with Morgan from left are Edie Young, senior regent, Morgan's grandmother Marjorie Miller and Geneva Corcoran, recorder.



Panhandle Bird Watch

by Jan Elston



When we first began bird-watching, we would often go for a drive after work, taking our bird book and binoculars; and trying to identify every bird we saw. One afternoon we discovered what we thought was an extremely rare bird — and American Avocet. We had lived on the South Plains or in the Panhandle almost all our lives, and we had never seen an Avocet before — but because we have seen them every year since that time, I'm sure that was one of the birds which had always been here, but which we just hadn't noticed. (Isn't it amazing that once you start watching for birds, you start seeing more of them? I guess it's just a matter of awareness.)

Avocets are easy to see, and easy to identify. During the summer, most of the ponds and playa lakes in this area have from one or two, to several dozen, or occasionally even several hundreds Avocets. Their

summer coloration is striking — their heads and long necks are rust colored, their wings white and black, and their underparts white. They are from 15 to 20" tall, are slender and long-legged, and as you would assume, are well adapted for living around water. Their long legs are designed for wading in shallow marshy areas. They use their long decurved (upturned), very thin bills much as a Spoonbill does, sweeping them from side to side along the surface of the water and in the mud, stirring up crustaceans, aquatic insects, and floating seeds. Their call is a ringing "Kleep! Kleep!"

Some of them nest in the Panhandle, and when they are nesting or their eggs have hatched and the chicks are still small; they are extremely defensive. Once when we were birding the lakes south of Pampa, we parked the car well off the roadway and my husband got out to see if he could get a better look at them — and adult Avocets became angrily flying toward him, diving at him with much screeching and squawking. Because he didn't want to upset them, (and because he didn't want to be attacked), he prudently retreated quickly across the highway, to the safety of the car.

Incidentally, a car is an excellent blind for watching birds. They don't seem to become agitated or upset, and you can get quite close to some of them. Sometimes they'll fly off, but will usually soon return, and seem quite unruffled about a car being close. Photographers have gotten some fantastic pictures of them, and Avocets are among the easiest birds to photograph this way. We've seen interesting photographs of individual birds in flight, as well as colonies of Avocets, which are all standing facing the direction.

BULLETIN: Dan True, now of Albuquerque, is planning to come to Pampa on Sunday, May 27, to present a program about Hummingbirds! He will show a slide presentation at Lovett Library Auditorium at 2:30 p.m. A \$1.00 donation per

person is requested to help defray True's traveling expenses. Dan has become one of the foremost authorities on Hummingbirds, and he should be able to answer any questions you might have. He is particularly interested in photographing Ruby-Throated Hummingbirds; so if you know where some are, please talk with him at the meeting.

Some interesting birds sighted last week:

- Pine Warbler
- Phalarope
- small flocks of Chipping Sparrows enjoying dandelions and other low weeds
- Cardinal (nesting)
- Pine Siskin (few still at a feeder)
- Swainson's Hawk
- Northern Shoveler
- Long-billed Dowitcher
- numerous flocks of Yellow-headed Blackbirds, seen in various parts of the area.

In last week's column about Western Kingbirds, there needed to be some additional information about its coloration. The male and female are both usually lemon-yellow underneath although the female may be more of a yellow-gray underneath. The back is gray-green; the wings are some darker; and the tail, when fanned out in flight, appears to be a black triangle with a fine white line on the sides of the tail.

You can shut your eyes, but not your ears.

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Childhood diseases aren't child's play for some adults

DEAR ABBY: When my daughter, Karen, was a child, she caught the measles, so I had her sister, Kristine, inoculated at once. I didn't get a shot myself because I thought I was too old to catch the measles. Well, I was wrong. I caught it, and became so sick I nearly died!

Karen, who is now a physician in East Peoria, Ill., sent me a clipping from her local newspaper. It was about a 25-year-old mother who had caught chicken pox from her 6-year-old daughter. The mother was not aware that when an adult catches a child's disease, it can be fatal. Well, this young mother died of the chicken pox!

Abby, between 1960 and 1980, there were 60 million cases of chicken pox reported in the United States. Fortunately, only 130 of those cases ended in death.

Please warn your readers that childhood diseases can be fatal to adults. Perhaps if more people knew this, they would be inoculated along with their children.

BETTY BEIL, ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

DEAR BETTY: Thanks for a valuable warning. So, out of 60 million cases of chicken pox, only 130 ended in death. That may not seem very serious, unless, of course, one of the 130 happened to be someone you love.

Dwight Swain featured speaker for writers association meeting

The Writers Association of the Golden Spread (WAGS) and the Panhandle Professional Writers (PPW) are sponsoring three sessions with writer and teacher, Dwight V. Swain on May 18-19 in Amarillo.

Professor emeritus in the School of Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of Oklahoma, Swain will speak at two sessions beginning at 5:30 p.m. on May 18 at the Big Texan.

His talk for PPW will start about 1:15 p.m. May 19, following a luncheon at the Amarillo College Student Union Building.

Swain is the author on three



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Readers, when your children are inoculated for childhood diseases, join them.

DEAR ABBY: I'm glad you advised "Happy in Fresno" to stay in Fresno. (They were the couple in their early 70s who were contemplating moving to another state to be near their daughter and son-in-law.)

Some Chicago friends of ours retired, sold their home plus two rental houses, then bought a house in San Diego in order to live across the street from their son and his family. (He was their only child.) Less than a year after they made the move, their son was transferred to Vermont!

Now these friends are living alone in a strange city with no friends or relatives — and no house to return to.

Also, it's good to remember that people do not always die in the order in which they are born. That "Fresno"

couple may outlive their daughter and son-in-law. Then what?

JUST INTERESTED

DEAR INTERESTED: Many wrote to tell similar horror stories of retired couples who regretted having moved far from home. While some senior citizens adapt fairly well to new locations, most older people fare better in familiar surroundings.

DEAR ABBY: A reader in San Francisco complained that he could not find the word "humongous" in his dictionary. I found it in mine, but I failed to locate the word "humuhumunukunukuapuaa," which you defined as a pig-snouted triggerfish found in Hawaii.

Just out of curiosity, could it be the longest word in the dictionary? (I counted 21 letters.)

CURIOUS IN SAN DIEGO
DEAR CURIOUS: No. The word antidisestablishmentarianism is the longest. (I counted 28 letters.)

DEAR ABBY: About five or six years ago, you printed a wonderful piece written by a preacher in Port Orchard, Wash. It was a tongue-in-cheek poem advising people not to put off going to church.

Will you please print it again? I sure like it.

A BAPTIST MINISTER IN DALLAS

DEAR MINISTER: Here it is. I sure like it, too.

DEAR CHURCH MEMBER: Don't wait until the hearse hauls you to church. If you do —

1. You will go, regardless of the weather.
2. You will go, regardless of the condition of your body.
3. There will be beautiful flowers there, but you won't enjoy them.
4. You will go, regardless of how your family feels.

Clarendon College summer registration

Clarendon College, Pampa Center, announces a change in registration dates for the Summer I 1990 session. Originally it was scheduled for May 31, June 1 and 4. The June 1 registration date has been deleted as the college will be closed on that date. New registration dates for Summer I 1990 are May 31 and June 4.

Pre-enrollment is encouraged for all courses except Word Processing I and Principles of Computer Info. Systems.

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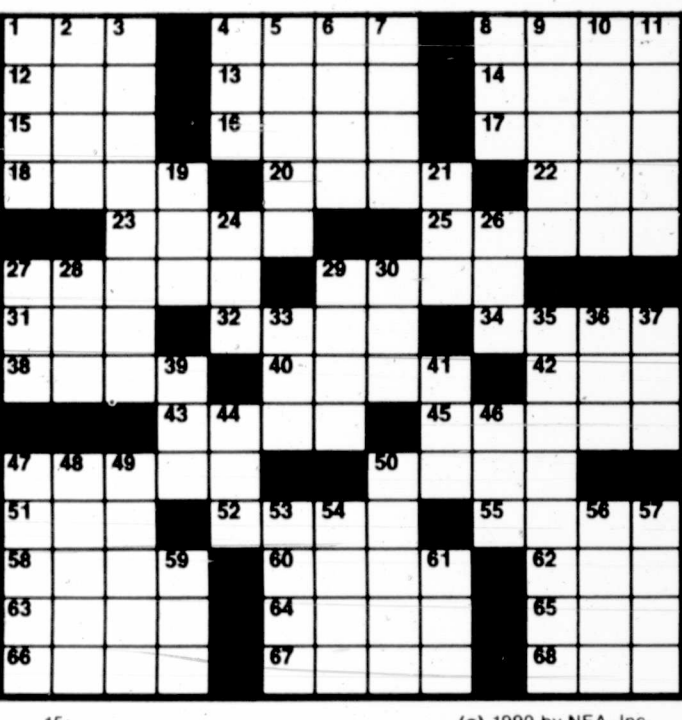
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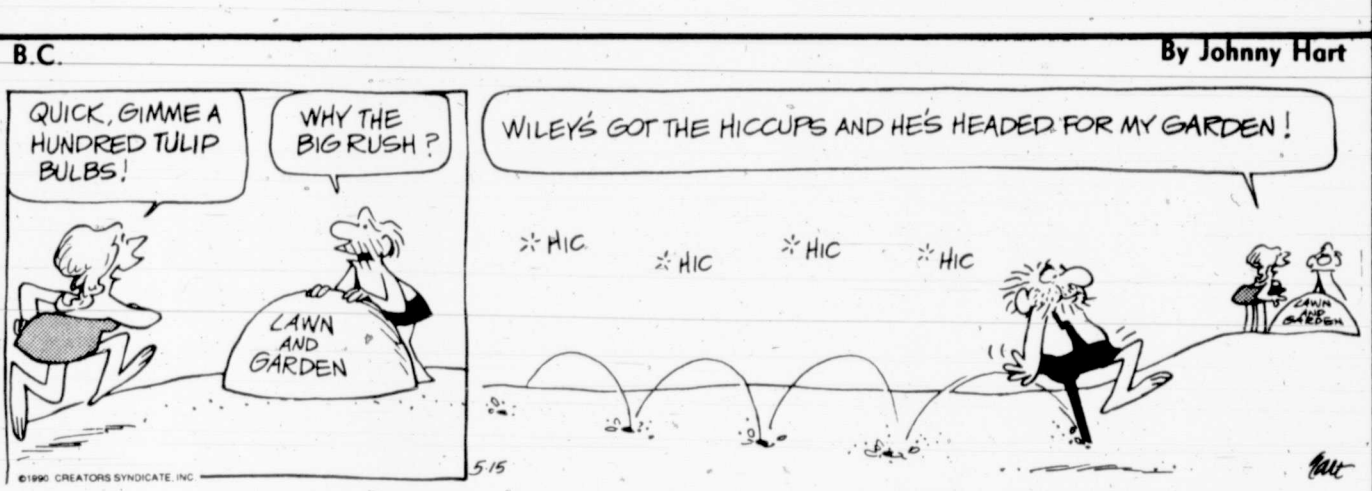
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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you disclose secret desires to intimate friends today, your true pals will note your needs and reflect on ways to help you. This might not be the case, however, where rivals are concerned. Taurus, 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.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Make an effort to study people closer than usual today, because there is something you can learn from persons with whom you'll be involved regardless of their station or status.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) In situations that are meaningful to you, you should perform reasonably well today. Conversely, in developments that are somewhat frivolous, you may not be very effective.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Strive to deal with associates in their spheres of interest today. If you focus on matters that are of importance only to you, it won't encourage their support.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Fulfilling ambitious objectives might not come too easily for you today. You'll be able to isolate your goals, but you might not work hard enough to achieve them.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Social activities with friends are apt to fare better if they are conducted outside of your home today. Choose a place that has majority approval.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Taking active measures enhances your creativity today. If you're toying with an idea, try all of the approaches that come to mind instead of just visualizing them mentally.

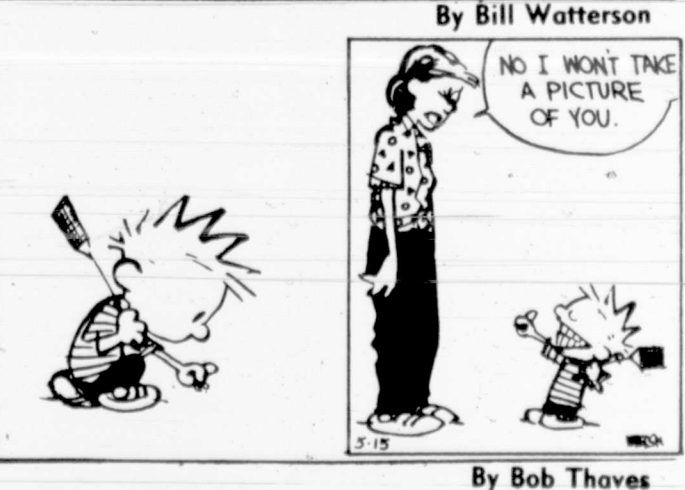
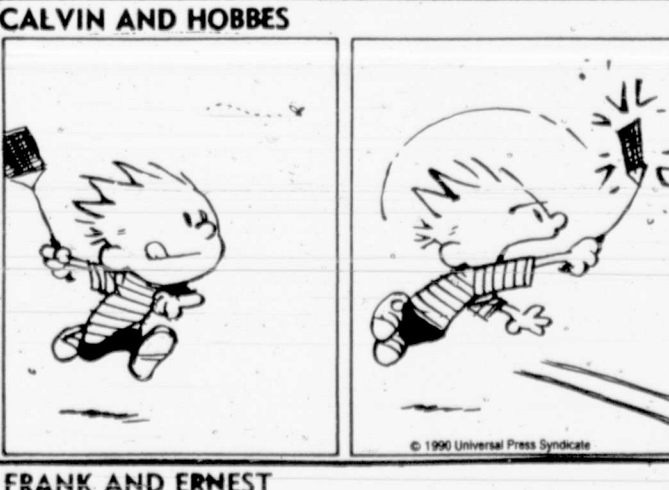
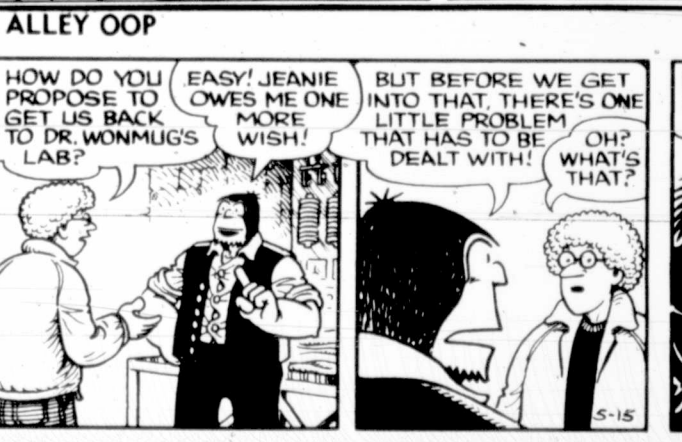
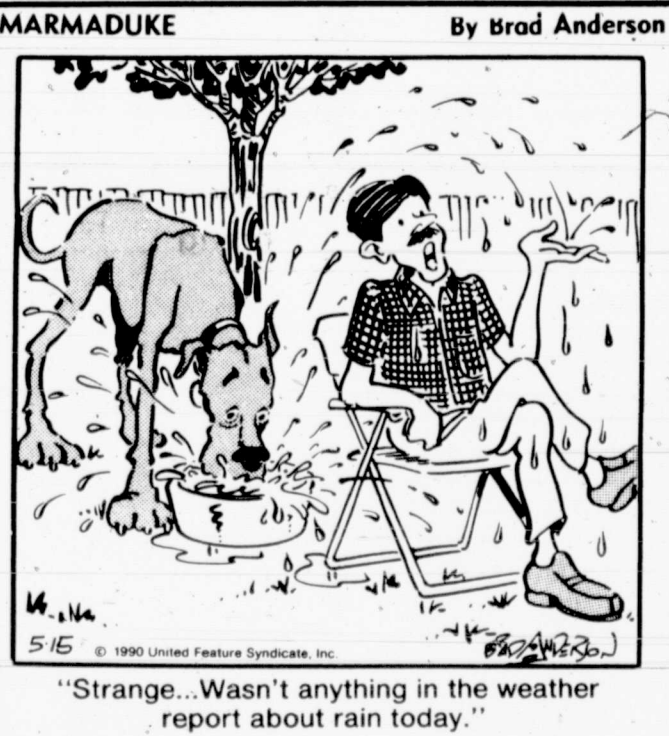
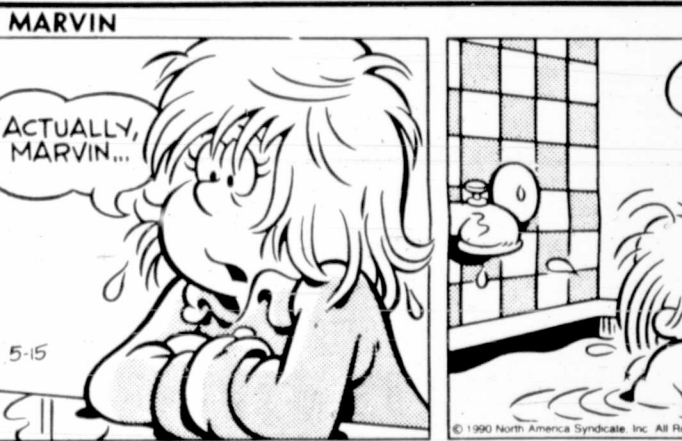
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Have fun and enjoy yourself today, but try not to get involved in activities that could be deemed expensive. The value you'll receive for the monies you'll spend might not make you happy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Business conditions could be a trifle tricky today, so monitor your every move carefully. There's a possibility you might kid yourself into believing a deal is better than it is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Although you'll have effective leadership qualities today, self-doubts could inhibit you from expressing them productively. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not put yourself in a position today where you must depend upon others. Even people you previously helped may not be available to assist you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be very careful today that you do not try to manipulate friends or contacts in order to further your personal aims. Attempts to do so could produce unhappy results.



Sports

Lefors whips Hedley, 17-12

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Writer

When the Lefors Pirates needed help on the mound, coach Dale Means called upon Dusty Roberson.

Roberson responded by allowing just three hits while striking out 15 as Lefors rallied past Hedley, 17-12, to win the District 3-1A baseball championship Monday at Pampa's Harvester Field.

Both teams had ended the regular season tied for first, forcing a playoff to decide the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds in the playoffs.

Roberson, a senior righthander, relieved a struggling Kevin Mayfield in the second inning and after a rocky start himself, picked up his first mound win of the season.

"Dusty started off rough, but then he got it together. I was proud of the way the kids came on after being deep in the hole," Means said.

Mayfield had a 4-1 record going into the playoff tilt, but the senior righthander ran into control problems in the second inning and had to be lifted in favor of Roberson, who pitched five scoreless innings.

Roberson walked in four runs in the second

inning, but he settled down and struck out the side in the third and fourth frames while Lefors nibbled away at Hedley's lead.

Trailing 12-7 after two innings, Lefors fought back and took command, 14-12, with a four-run fifth inning.

District 3-1A baseball

"These kids proved they have a lot of heart. They really came back well," Means said.

Third sacker Andy Swires led Lefors' 13-hit attack with two doubles, two singles and three RBI.

Roberson had five RBI and three hits, including a two-run homer in the first inning that cleared the leftfield fence. Rodney Nickel had a two-run double and single while Ronnie Hall had two singles. John Call had a double and Jarrod Slatten knocked in a run with a single.

Hedley had eight hits, including two each by Anthony Carson and Steve Carson.

Hedley used four pitchers with Robert Stafford being charged with the loss.

Lefors (5-1) is tentatively scheduled to play in the area round next Monday against an opponent yet to be determined.



Jarrod Slatten of Lefors lifts a high fly ball to the outfield during the Pirates' 17-12 victory over Hedley Monday afternoon. Lefors will advance to the area round as the No. 1 seed. (Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

PHS soccer teams fall in second round

AMARILLO — Pampa High's soccer teams dropped a pair of games during second round action Monday in the postseason tournament at Southwest Park.

The Harvesters lost a narrow, 2-1 decision to Palo Duro, while the Lady Harvesters suffered a 3-1 setback to Amarillo High. Both Pampa teams will battle for third place today to conclude the season.

In the boys game, Pampa opened with a 1-0 lead when Chad Etheredge scored a goal in the first half. Palo Duro added two quick goals before halftime, and both teams went scoreless in the second half.

"We felt pretty confident we were going to be able to give them a good game," said Pampa boys coach Mike Redwine. "Overall, I just could not be prouder of the way the kids played. We were on the attack most of the time in the second half, which is good against P.D. In games past, they usually take 30 shots on goal to our one."

The Dons defeated Pampa, 5-1, in April, then forfeited a game to the Harvesters earlier this month. Monday's win boosted Palo Duro (8-3) into tonight's championship game against Amarillo High.

Pampa, which dropped to 7-4-1 on the season, missed several opportunities to knot the score in the second half.

"We had some chances, but one of our shots hit the post, their goalie had a couple of saves and a couple of shots went

wide," Redwine said. "We just could not put that second goal in."

Despite the loss, Redwine said the Harvesters played one of their better games of the season.

"Everyone I put out there played well," he said. "We're playing our best soccer at the right time of the year. We just didn't come away with the win."

"But our players received one of the highest compliments from a game official. He said there's not a team in this league that plays any harder or is any more disciplined than Pampa. That was a real compliment."

Tonight, the Harvesters will go for third place in the tournament when they face Tascosa at 6 p.m. in Amarillo's Southwest Park. The Rebels (3-8-1 on the season) defeated Caprock in the first round, then lost a 3-2 decision to No. 1 seed Amarillo High in overtime Monday.

In the girls game, the Lady Harvesters made their best showing to date against Amarillo High. The Lady Sandies captured a 9-1 victory the first time the two teams met and a 5-1 win the second time around.

"We've been improving with each game we've played against Amarillo High," said Pampa girls coach Scott Flynn, whose team dropped to 3-6-1 on the season. "It started out pretty much of a defensive struggle, but they finally got an

open shot and we had kind of a defensive lapse."

"A girl from Amarillo High made a nice kick to score their first goal and by the end of the half, they'd scored one more to take a 2-0 lead."

In the second half, with 15 minutes remaining in the game, Pampa's Rochelle Pritchard scored Pampa's only goal.

"I felt like we had an opportunity to tie the game up since we were only down by one goal," Flynn said. "We tried, but just couldn't get any shots off and they scored a goal for a 3-1 lead with five minutes left."

Flynn cited Erin Johnson and Mandy Morris for outstanding defensive efforts.

"The girls really put forth a great effort and they're continuing to play hard and good things are happening to them," he said. "Even though they lost, their improvement during the season is just astounding. I'm really proud of the way they've come along this year."

With the win, Amarillo High remained undefeated this season with an 8-0-1 record. The Lady Sandies will play tonight for the tournament championship.

The Lady Harvesters will face either Tascosa or Caprock for third place today at 6 p.m. The game will be played in Amarillo's Southwest Park.

"Hopefully we'll be able to get this last one of the season and get third place," Flynn said.



Tara Hamby (left) and Heath Parker were named the Outstanding Male and Female Athletes for 1989-90 school year Monday night. (Staff photo by Sonny Bohanan)

Hamby, Parker garner top awards

By SONNY BOHANAN
Sports Editor

Seniors Heath Parker and Tara Hamby were named Pampa High School's Outstanding Male and Female Athletes for the 1989-90 school year during Monday's all sports awards banquet at M.K. Brown auditorium.

To win the award, a student must be a senior, compete in at least two sports and garner the most votes from a panel of head coaches.

Parker, who lettered two years in football and four years in track, was the night's big winner. In addition to being named male athlete of the year, he captured the boys' track most valuable player award and garnered the football team's fighting heart trophy.

The PHS senior was the second-leading rusher for the Harvesters this season, racking up 418 yards and two touchdowns at fullback. He also anchored Pampa's regional-qualifying 400-meter relay team this spring.

Hamby, a three-year letterwinner in both track and basketball and a one-year competitor in cross country, was the lone senior on this season's basketball team. She helped guide the Lady Harvesters to a 13-13 record and a third-place finish in District 1-4A.

She also was the top discus thrower for the track and field team this spring, posting her season-best toss of 120-10 at the Randall Relays on March 10.

Every athlete who participated in sports at Pampa High School this year was recognized at Tuesday's banquet.

Coach Mark Elms began the awards presentations by naming Brooke Hamby the cross-country team's most valuable participant.

In volleyball, Dori Kidwell was named the MVP. Teammate Kandy Winton was recognized with the best serving percentage award, while Kelley Winborne captured the Hustling Lady Harvester title.

Ryan Teague and Kristen Largin were chosen as the most valuable players for the boys and girls golf teams. Both Teague and Largin were also recognized for owning the low-stroke average. Teague finished the season with a 76.7 average, while Largin posted a 93.5.

The basketball coaches each presented four awards to their players. Christa West, who made 68 percent of her shots from the charity stripe, was recognized as the team's top free throw shooter and was also named the Hustling Lady Harvester.

Nikki Ryan, who pulled down 261 rebounds for a 10.4 average per game, was applauded as the squad's top rebounder and captured the Lady Harvesters' most valuable player award as well.

On the boys team, David Johnson was the top free throw shooter with an 86 percent accuracy rate, while teammate Jeff Young hauled in 218 boards to take top honors in the rebounding category.

Cornelius Landers captured the Hustling Harvester award. Mark Wood and Ryan Teague were named co-winners of the most valuable player award.

Jennifer Hinkle and Neil Turner, both of whom set school records in the 50 freestyle this season, were named the girls and boys most valuable participants by coach Norma Young.

PHS awards banquet

The Pampa High School Rodeo Club was introduced and qualifiers for this year's Tri-State High School Rodeo Finals were recognized. They are Michel Reeves, Tamra Johnson, Cydney Morriss, Timmy Ray, Marty McFall and Chad McFall.

The doubles team of Andrew Ramirez and Darren Jones were voted the boys tennis team's most valuable players, while Allyson Thompson and Heather Gikas garnered the girls MVP award.

Christa West, a three-year state meet qualifier, was named the girls track most valuable player, while Heath Parker earned the boys MVP award.

Although the PHS baseball team is still involved in the state playoffs, coach Rod Porter named pitcher/center fielder Brandon Knutson as the team's most valuable player for this season. Knutson (10-1) is scheduled to start on the mound today for the Harvesters, who face Andrews in the area round 7:30 p.m. at Lubbock's Lowrey Field.

Two other sports were recognized for the first time at this year's banquet. Coach Max Plunk introduced the members of Pampa High School's Special Olympics Team and presented them with letter jackets.

Those members — consisting of Jamie Arebalo, Liberty Bloxom, Randolph Busby, Debbie Ellis, Hector Estrada, Carmen Hernandez, Amy Hammer, Tina Hinson, Trent Loter, Mary Ellen Rivera, Jennifer Roden, Naomi Silva, Raul Soriano, Randy Swires and Jeff Turner — compete in bowling, basketball and track throughout the year and are scheduled to travel to San Marcos next week to participate in a track meet.

Also making its debut at the awards ceremony was the Harvester wrestling team, which competed at the varsity level for the first time this season. Bill Larkin, the squad's lone senior, was named the most valuable player and also was voted the most inspirational wrestler by his teammates.

Special recognition awards went out to Booster Club members extraordinaire Adney Parker and Peggy Paronto and to athletic department secretary Sandy Clark.

Pampa's soccer teams will receive their awards during the awards assembly at PHS Wednesday. The Harvesters and Lady Harvesters were both involved in postseason tournament games during Monday night's banquet.

This is the third season for boys soccer and the first for girls.

Suns, Pistons can wrap up series tonight

By The Associated Press

The Los Angeles Lakers have history on their side. The Phoenix Suns have the right number.

Phoenix is only one game away from winning its Western Conference semifinal playoff series.

Only four teams in NBA history have come back from 3-1 deficits to win. The Lakers were one of them, against Phoenix 20 years ago. In addition, the Suns have lost all six of their previous playoff series against the Lakers, getting swept in three of the last four, including last season's conference final.

Nevertheless, the Lakers, who dominated the league in the 1980s, winning five championships and reaching the conference finals every year since 1981, are feeling the heat.

"It's nervous time," reserve guard Michael Cooper said. "I think the beads of sweat are starting to fall down my forehead. I know we can come back. I have a lot of confidence in this team and what we can do."

The Detroit Pistons can wrap up their best-of-7 Eastern Conference semifinal tonight by defeating the New York Knicks at Auburn Hills, Mich., while the San Antonio Spurs visit the Portland Trail Blazers in a Western Conference semifinal that is tied 2-2.

In the other Eastern semifinal, the Chicago Bulls, leading 3-1, entertain the Philadelphia 76ers on Wednesday night.

The Suns are in position to upset the Lakers, thanks to their opening-game victory at the Forum, where they had dropped 21 straight games. They also won Games 3 and 4 in Phoenix.

Guard Jeff Hornacek said the Suns "have to go over there thinking we can win and not settle for thinking we're going to let it come back to Phoenix. We have to try to win it right away, even though it's on their home court. We feel confident."

Los Angeles coach Pat Riley thinks the Lakers can come back. He gave them a day off Monday to conserve all their energy for tonight.

"I think you have to keep things in the proper perspective," Riley said. "First, we have to go home and play a big game. I have a firm belief that our team can get it done. We're a championship team. Three-one is a deficit you don't want to get into, but there's a lot of basketball left."

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Optimists selling coupon booklets

The 1990 Pampa Optimist Coupon Book project is now underway to help raise funds for the club's sports programs throughout the year.

Chairman Mike Warner said the club's goal is to sell 1,500 books.

"The coupon book project is the major fundraiser for the club," Warner said.

He said many parents don't realize the enormous cost of the programs that the club provides for the community's youth.

"The annual budget for the club exceeds \$100,000, and the baseball and softball programs alone costs \$60,000 each year. The cost to outfit a kid in a baseball uniform is \$65," added Warner. "That does not include bats, balls, gloves and other equipment."

Warner said the coupon book is an excellent way to promote the Pampa businesses and help the Optimist Club at the same time.

"Each book has food, merchandise and savings from local merchants worth over \$550," Warner said. "The cost of the book is a mere \$20. Where else can you get \$25 worth of value for every \$1 invested."

Warner said the club's fundraising efforts are very important.

"The cost per child to participate in the programs can be kept low as long as the community supports the club in its endeavors to help fund each of the programs," Warner said.

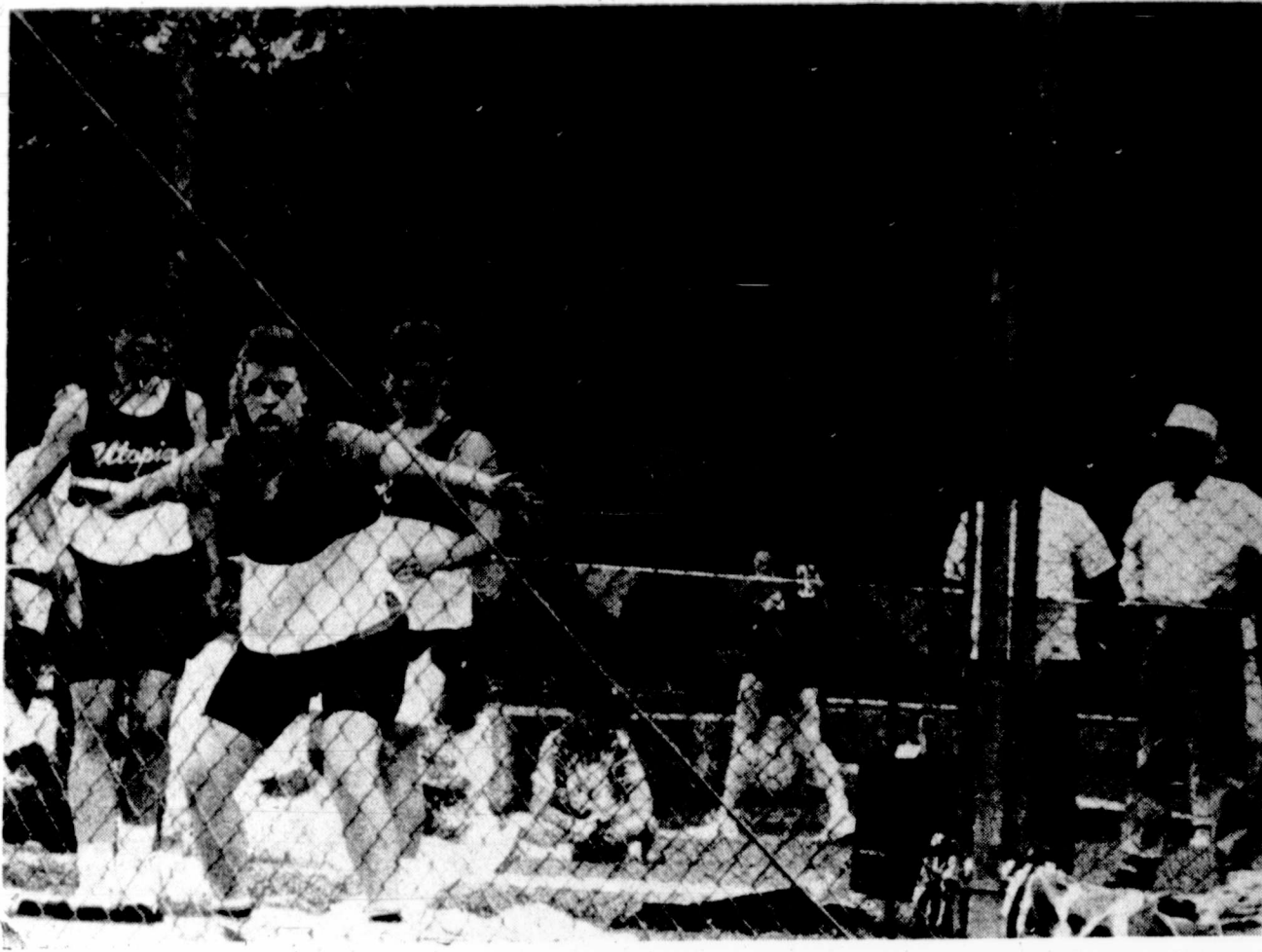
Warner pointed out that the Optimists help 900 youngsters learn skills each summer that will help them throughout their lives.

"They learn how to work together, learn leadership skills and that winning is fun. Please help support them," he said.



Aaron Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Davis, sells coupon books door-to-door for \$20 apiece. (Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

Warming up



(Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

With two of her opponents looking on, Carrie Watson of Lefors warms up behind a wire cage during the Class 1A girls' discus event Saturday in Austin. Watson, the only UIL state track meet participant from the area six schools, finished fourth with a throw of 121-5. The Lefors High School senior placed second in the regional meet to qualify for state.

Rangers welcome day off with 5 starters hurt

ARLINGTON (AP) — With half their starting lineup sidelined with injuries, the Texas Rangers welcomed an off day on Monday.

Left fielder Pete Incaviglia has become the fifth Ranger starter to visit the training room. He pulled his left hamstring running in to catch Brook Jacoby's sacrifice fly in Sunday's 4-1 loss to the Cleveland Indians.

Incaviglia left the game as Thad Bosley replaced him.

He joined catcher Geno Petralli (broken right big toe), shortstop Jeff Huser (sore right shoulder), third baseman Steve Buechele (on the disabled list with a broken right wrist) and designated hitter Harold Baines (jammed right knee) among the club's walking wounded.

In addition, Nolan Ryan, the ace of the pitching staff, had to leave in the seventh inning of his Friday start with a muscle spasm in his lower back. Ryan jumped back into his workout program Sunday, but said the results weren't good.

"I wasn't real happy with it," Ryan said. "I'll go back out (Monday) and do the normal workout and see what happens."

Ryan is scheduled to start again Thursday. He said it was too early to tell whether that start was in jeopardy, but said having an off day Monday would help.

Team officials said more would be known about the extent of Incaviglia's injury after treatment on Monday.

Petralli will be out as regular

catcher for at least a couple of days, perhaps longer, after breaking his right toe on a Bobby Witt fastball that tailed low while Witt warmed up in the bullpen before Saturday night's game.

Petralli said he hoped to be ready for Tuesday night's first game of a home series with the Detroit Tigers, but manager Bobby Valentine appeared doubtful. Petralli was searching Sunday for a set of steel-toed baseball cleats.

"It's a lot less sore," Petralli said. "If I can get a steel toe to protect it, I think I can get back out there. I can feel a sharp pain in it occasionally if I step wrong when I'm walking, but I think I can (squat) on it if I just hold my foot right."

Glo-Valve bests Celanese to stay on top

Glo-Valve Service outlasted Celanese Corporation, 8-4, last weekend to remain in a first place tie with Dixie Parts in the National Major Bambino League.

Both Glo-Valve and Dixie have 3-0 records.

Rayford Young didn't give up a run and allowed only two hits in three innings to receive credit for the victory. He struck out six and didn't walk a batter.

Todd Finney was credited with a save in 21/3 innings on the mound. He allowed one unearned run while striking out six and not walking a batter. He didn't give up a hit.

Young opened the scoring for Glo-Valve in the bottom of the first inning. He walked, advanced to third on wild pitches and scored on a sacrifice fly by Finney.

Pete Jimenez walked in the second inning and came in to score on a wild pitch and two passed balls.

In the third inning, Glo-Valve scored four runs on four walks, a hit batter and a single by Finney. They concluded their scoring in the fifth inning when Jimenez walked again, advanced on a wild pitch and passed ball, and scored on a single by Todd Harrison. Harrison went all the way to third on an error and scored on an infield out.

Celanese scored three runs in the fourth inning on four walks, two hit batters and a fielder's choice. Celanese scored its final run in the fifth inning on two Glo-Valve errors. Floyd White and Aaron Wiseman paced Celanese with a double each.

Glo-Valve was limited to singles by Finney and Harrison. Young, Finney, Harrison and Tito Cortez had runs-batted-in for Glo-Valve. Harrison and Jimenez scored two runs each for Glo-Valve.

Dixie edged Dyers, 4-2, in a Major League Bambino game last weekend.

Ryan Cook relieved starter Kory Harris to pick up the win in three innings on the mound. They struck out seven, walked three and gave up just one hit.

Harris drove in two runs with a double in the top of the sixth to give Dixie a 4-2 lead. Cook struck out the side in the bottom half of the sixth.

Optimist roundup

Harris had two doubles and a single and knocked in three RBI in three times at the plate. Matt Archibald had a double and single.

Matt Utzman had a double and two runs-batted-in for Dyers.

Duncan outlasted Dean's, 9-8, in a Major League Bambino game last weekend.

Winning pitcher was Brian Waldrip, who gave up four hits while striking out six and walking six in four innings. Jeremy Barnes pitched the last two innings, giving up two hits while striking out four and walking two.

Barnes was the big hitter for Duncan with a towering home run over the center field fence. Josef Chervenka had a triple, double and single.

Losing pitcher was T. J. Davis, who allowed eight hits while striking out four and walking five.

Ernie Cruz had a triple and single for Dean's.

IRI won over Warner-Finney, 15-9, last weekend.

Top hitters for IRI were Jeremy Book, Shannon Buck, Jivino Armendarez, Ryan Ferrell, David Robinson and April Mobbs.

Aaron Childress, Ryan Chambers, Craig Stout and Cory Fowler were the top hitters for Warner-Finney.

Mr. Gattis downed Malcolm Hinkle, 22-6, in recent girls' little league softball play.

Jamie Humphrey had two home runs and a single while Kerrey Ford had a home run and two singles to lead Mr. Gattis.

Jennifer Kidd had two doubles and Kelly Davis two singles for Malcolm Hinkle.

Others with hits for Mr. Gattis were Amanda Sims with three singles, Lisa Dwight, three singles; Sondra Wright, two singles; Melody Lamb, two singles and Amy Drinnen, a single.

Winning pitcher was Amanda Sims, who gave up four hits while striking out seven and walking 10.

Warner-Horton Supply boosted

its record to 4-0 with a doubleheader sweep over the weekend.

Warner-Horton defeated Pulse Brothers, 30-1, as Meredith Horton picked up her second mound win of the season. She gave up two hits while striking out three and walking five in three innings. Kristen Becker pitched two innings in relief, striking out four, walking one and not allowing a hit.

Rhonda Been led Warner-Horton with five hits, including two home runs. Meredith Horton and Jessica Whitney had three hits while Misty Plunk added two. Kristen Becker, Tonya Brown, Sharon Brown and Elasha Hanks each had one hit.

Lizette Arreola and Vonda Harrison had the only hits for Pulse.

Kelley Hains, the losing pitcher, scored the only run for Pulse in the third inning.

Kristen Becker came within one pitch of a perfect game as Warner-Horton blanked Randy's, 13-0, in the second contest.

Becker, who struck out 14 of the 16 batters she faced, walked Kelley Hains in the fifth inning for Randy's only baserunner. Becker then threw the next runner out at first and struck out the side to complete the no-hitter.

Rhonda Been and Meredith Horton each went three for three, followed by Becker and Tonya Brown with two hits each. Misty Plunk, Heidi Pletteplace and Jessica Whitney each had a hit. Becker and Been each had a home run.

Warner-Horton leads the Senior League standings.

The Thompson Parts Outlaws defeated Danny's Market, 11-5, in Rookie League play Monday night at Optimist Park.

Leading hitters for the Outlaws were Gil Solano, three singles; Ryan Sells, two singles and home run; Jesse Francis, single and double; Greg Lindsey, single and home run; Donnie Keim, two singles; Kelly Henderson, two singles; Daniel Abernathy, single and double; Cody Perkins, single and double, and Lance Brooks, two singles.

Leading the way for Danny's were Kimberly Clark, single and double; Chase White, two singles and Trulyn Deeds, two singles.

Baseball				
College Top 25				
TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The top 25 baseball teams in the Collegiate Baseball-ESPN poll, with records through May 13, point totals and rankings in last week's poll. Points are based on strength of schedule, returning players, voting by coaches, sports writers and sports information directors.				
Record	Pts	Pv		
1. Stanford	49-10	498	1	
2. Arizona State	46-14	493	3	
3. Florida State	48-12	489	4	
4. Arkansas	48-11	481	5	
5. Texas	45-15	479	6	
6. Miami, Fla.	46-10	476	2	
7. Southern Cal.	35-19	473	8	
8. Oklahoma State	46-16	469	10	
9. Louisiana State	44-15	465	13	
10. North Carolina	45-10	461	14	
11. Loyola Marymount	43-13	459	11	
12. Southern Illinois	43-11	454	12	
13. Wichita State	44-15	453	9	
14. Georgia	44-15	449	7	
15. Mississippi State	41-17	443	16	
16. Iowa	37-15	440	15	
17. Fullerton State	32-21	435	17	
18. Maine	37-15	434	22	
19. Houston	40-19	421	18	
20. UC Santa Barbara	40-17	420	20	
21. Fresno State	35-21	417	19	
22. Washington State	43-16	414	24	
23. Clemson	41-16	410	23	
24. UCLA	36-23	406	21	
25. Illinois	37-18	404	28	
Baseball America Top 25				
DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The top 25 college baseball teams as determined by the staff of Baseball America magazine, with records through May 13 and last week's ranking:				
Record	Pv			
1. Stanford	49-10	1		
2. Arizona State	46-14	2		
3. Arkansas	46-11	4		
4. Florida State	48-12	8		
5. Miami, Fla.	46-10	3		
6. Southern Cal.	35-19	7		
7. Texas	45-15	9		
8. Wichita State	44-15	5		
9. LSU	44-15	14		
10. Georgia	44-15	6		
11. Oklahoma State	46-16	11		
12. Loyola Marymount	43-13	12		
13. Southern Illinois	43-11	10		
14. North Carolina	45-10	15		
15. Iowa	37-15	13		
16. Houston	40-19	16		
17. Illinois	37-18	18		
18. Washington State	43-16	19		
19. Mississippi State	41-17	20		
20. UCLA	36-23	17		
21. Fullerton St.	32-21	22		
22. South Alabama	40-16	21		
23. UC Santa Barbara	40-17	24		
24. Creighton	43-18	25		
25. Maine	37-15	—		
Texas League Standings				
By The Associated Press				
First Half				
Eastern Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Tulsa (Rangers)	18	12	.600	
Shreveport (Giants)	17	14	.548	11/2
Arkansas (Cards)	14	18	.438	5
Jackson (Mets)	12	21	.364	7 1/2
Western Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Wichita (Padres)	22	12	.647	
El Paso (Brewers)	19	15	.559	3
San Antonio (Dodgers)	17	17	.500	5
Midland (Angels)	12	22	.353	10
Monday's Games				
Wichita 2, Shreveport 1, 12 innings				
San Antonio 5, Jackson 4				
El Paso 11, Arkansas 1				
Tulsa 8, Midland 4				
Today's Games				
Shreveport at Wichita				
Jackson at San Antonio				
El Paso at Arkansas				
Midland at Tulsa				
Wednesday's Games				
Jackson at Wichita				
Shreveport at San Antonio				
Midland at Arkansas				
El Paso at Tulsa				
Major League Standings				
By The Associated Press				
All Times CDT				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Milwaukee	17	11	.607	1/2
Toronto	20	13	.606	—
Boston	17	14	.548	2
Cleveland	16	15	.516	3
Baltimore	14	17	.452	5
New York	12	17	.414	6
Detroit	11	22	.333	9
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Oakland	22	9	.710	—
Chicago	17	10	.630	3
Minnesota	17	14	.548	5
Texas	15	16	.484	7
Seattle	15	18	.455	8
California	12	20	.375	10 1/2
Kansas City	11	20	.355	11
Monday's Games				
Toronto 8, Detroit 3, 10 innings				
Minnesota 6, Oakland 2				
Kansas City 9, Boston 5, 10 innings				
Only game scheduled				
Today's Games				
Minnesota (R-Smith 1-3) at New York (Cary 0-0), 6:30 p.m.				
Oakland (Sanderson 4-1) at Cleveland (Swindell 2-3), 6:35 p.m.				
Oakland (Langston 0-3) at Toronto (Cummings 0-0), 6:35 p.m.				
Baltimore (Harnisch 3-0) at Chicago (Hibbard 3-2), 7:05 p.m.				
Boston (Dopson 0-0 or Kiecker 0-0) at Kansas City (Gordon 1-0), 7:35 p.m.				
California (Langston 2-3) at Milwaukee (Bosio 3-1), 7:35 p.m.				
Detroit (Petty 3-1) at Texas (Brown 5-1), 7:35 p.m.				
Wednesday's Games				
Minnesota at New York, 6:30 p.m.				
Oakland at Cleveland, 6:35 p.m.				
Seattle at Toronto, 6:35 p.m.				
Baltimore at Chicago, 7:05 p.m.				
Boston at Kansas City, 7:35 p.m.				
California at Milwaukee, 7:35 p.m.				
Detroit at Texas, 7:35 p.m.				
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Pittsburgh	22	10	.688	—
Philadelphia	17	14	.548	4 1/2
Montreal	18	15	.545	4 1/2
New York	16	15	.516	5 1/2
Chicago	14	17	.452	7 1/2
St. Louis	13	18	.419	8 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cincinnati	22	7	.759	—
San Diego	16	16	.500	7 1/2
Los Angeles	15	17	.469	8 1/2
Houston	12	19	.387	11
San Francisco	12	20	.375	11 1/2
Atlanta	10	19	.345	12
Monday's Games				
Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 3				
San Diego 5, Philadelphia 1				
San Francisco 4, New York 2				
Los Angeles 3, Montreal 2				
Philadelphia at San Diego, 3:05 p.m.				
Only games scheduled				
Today's Games				
Pittsburgh (Smiley 3-3) at Cincinnati (Rijo 2-1), 6:35 p.m.				
Chicago (Pico 0-0) at Atlanta (Z-Smith 2-2), 6:40 p.m.				
Houston (Scott 1-3) at St. Louis (Tudor 4-1), 7:35 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Mulholland 1-1) at San Diego (Rasmussen 3-1), 9:05 p.m.				
Wednesday's Games				
Houston at St. Louis, 12:35 p.m.				
New York at San Francisco, 2:35 p.m.				
Philadelphia at San Diego, 3:05 p.m.				
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 6:35 p.m.				
Chicago at Atlanta, 6:40 p.m.				
Montreal at Los Angeles, 9:35 p.m.				
Basketball				
NBA Playoff Glance				
By The Associated Press				
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS (Best-of-7)				
Monday, May 14				
No games scheduled				
Tuesday, May 15				
New York at Detroit, 7 p.m.				
San Antonio at Portland, 9:30 p.m.				
Phoenix at Los Angeles Lakers, 9:30 p.m.				
Wednesday, May 16				
Philadelphia at Chicago, 7 p.m.				

Bruins, Oilers begin race for title

By HOWARD ULMAN
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Ray Bourque and Mark Messier are competing for more than just the Stanley Cup and the NHL's most valuable player award.

The captains of the Boston Bruins and Edmonton Oilers are neck-and-neck in the battle for leadership of the mutual admiration society.

"I told him this after a few beers" while they were Canada Cup teammates, Bourque said. "If I'd been a general manager and had a new franchise, over anybody he'd probably be the guy I'd pick to start a new franchise."

Messier said of Bourque: "I know his talents and the team player and team leader that Ray is. I know the Boston Bruins rotate around Ray. He's just a great player."

All that buttering up isn't just an attempt to soften up an opponent who can single-handedly dash the

other's greatest hopes — to win a Stanley Cup.

Their opinions are backed up by players on both sides in the best-of-7 Stanley Cup final beginning tonight in Boston, where the Bruins have won their last eight games. Game 2 is scheduled there Friday night.

Bourque and Messier, both 11-year veterans, and St. Louis' Brett Hull are the three candidates for the Hart Trophy that goes to the most valuable player chosen in a poll of members of the Professional Hockey Writers' Association.

Messier was second in scoring in the NHL during the regular season with 84 assists and 129 points, while Bourque had 19 goals and 65 assists and was probably the league's top defenseman. They have continued their outstanding play in the playoffs, in which Messier has a league-high 26 points and Bourque has played excellent defense and offense.

"When you watch Ray Bourque play, you see that he's not only such a pure talent, but he seems to ... work harder than everybody, too," Edmonton defenseman Steve Smith said. "He's probably the best defenseman in the game right now."

"It's a scary thought to have Messier bearing down on you," Bruins coach Mike Milbury said.

"Large," is how Boston defenseman Glen Wesley describes the 6-foot-1, 210-pound center. "He's a great player. He's very big. He moves the puck very well, takes the body."

"He's a very consistent player and he works hard, game in and game out."

The Oilers have won four of the last six Stanley Cups, including a 1988 finals sweep over Boston. The Bruins are 0-4 in the championship series since capturing their fifth title in 1972.

This time, the Bruins, who had the NHL's best regular-season record and defense, are favored.

Colonial course beseiged by rains

FORT WORTH (AP) — The course at Colonial Country Club, site of this week's PGA tournament, will be in poor condition because of recent rains and flooding in North Central Texas, says head pro Dow Finsterwald Jr.

Pro golfers arriving Monday found one of their favorite courses suffering slightly from the weather. Colonial has lost some of its color. The fairways are a little thin and brown and the usually thick rough is somewhat patchy.

New sod has been planted in many areas and may not have grown in by Thursday's first round.

"This has been the worst growing conditions for the type of grass we have," Finsterwald said. "The weather has done everything to hurt us. It's really worked against us. The fairways will be awfully thin and there are a lot of areas where the grass has been brown."

On the brighter side, "the greens are as good as ever," Finsterwald said.

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The 'dump Quayle' rumor: No one believes it but still it lives

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
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WASHINGTON (AP) - The odd thing about the Dan Quayle rumor is how few people believe it. Yet it refuses to die.

Three years in advance of Election Day 1992, President Bush told The Dallas Morning News that Quayle "absolutely" would be his running mate again. "He's doing a very good job, an outstanding job," said the president.

Then why is Washington awash in a new flurry of "dump Quayle" rumors?

The poll numbers certainly have a lot to do with it. Bush enjoys approval ratings of close to 80 percent, while fewer than half the people questioned give Quayle passing grades. In a recent Gallup poll, 54 percent described Quayle as unqualified to be president.

It all has to do with the news business, said Walter F. Mondale, who spent four years as vice president without anyone suggesting he was about to be dumped by Jimmy Carter.

"On every national political news reporter's calendar, oh, about October of the first term of a president, he always writes the vice presidential failure story," said Mondale.

"The reason I never had one is we would usually get a hint the story was coming and Carter would call the reporter personally. He'd say 'I want you to know Mondale is the best vice president anybody ever had and I'm very happy with him.'"

But Mondale was the exception. Conservatives wanted to dump George Bush. Liberals wanted to dump Lyndon Johnson. Moderates wanted to dump Richard Nixon. Conservatives wanted to dump Nelson Rockefeller. In retrospect, it seems like lots of people wanted to dump Spiro Agnew.

It's part of the job description for vice presidents:

Preside over the Senate, attend funerals, and be the target of rumors the president wishes he'd picked someone else for his running mate.

But switches are rare. Gerald Ford dumped Rockefeller in 1976 in favor of Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas, who campaigned at a low growl and shocked viewers of his debate with Mondale when he blamed Democrats for all the wars of the 20th Century.

Dole has quipped that in the 1976 campaign he went for the jugular and got his own.

Richard Viguerie, a conservative activist, recalled the "save Agnew"

effort mounted by the political right in 1971 when there was talk that Nixon might dump the former Maryland governor from the ticket in 1972.

"Conservatives made a big effort to make sure Agnew stayed on the ticket," he said. They needn't have bothered. Soulmate Pat Buchanan later said that Nixon had "no thoughts or intentions of dumping Agnew."

Viguerie and his ideological comrades would have liked someone other than Bush as Ronald Reagan's running mate in 1984.

But, said Viguerie, "Conservatives never thought there was any hope of dumping Bush."

One near-unanimous view in assessing the Quayle rumor is that Bush has a highly developed sense

of loyalty and would not dump the man he picked to run with him in 1988.

And yet, the rumor continues to have currency.

A recent version noted that Secretary of State James A. Baker III had bought a ranch in Wyoming - and that's a fact. Baker's real estate deal prompted speculation that he would change his voting residence to Wyoming so that he could run in 1992 on a ticket headed by fellow Texan George Bush.

The Constitution bars presidential electors from casting their votes for two candidates from their own state. Thus if two Texans were paired on the national ticket, only one of them could receive that state's electoral votes.

"Absolutely, positively, he has no

plan to change his voting residence," said Margaret Tutwiler, a longtime Baker aide who now is chief State Department spokesman.

Washington loves a good rumor and even many of those who shrugged off the Quayle speculation did so in a way that somehow kept it alive.

"The problem with this is the timing is all wrong," said a political consultant who insisted on anonymity. As quickly as he dismissed a Baker-for-Quayle switch improbable, the consultant went on to speculate that Quayle's standing in the polls "will never improve. In this age of mass media, once the public has decided something there's just no way to reverse it."

Another consultant pointed to a magazine article about columnist

George Will, who happens to be one of Bush's least favorite people. Take note, said the consultant, who insisted on being nameless, that the article was written by Bush friend Vic Gold. Further, said he, it points out that Will and Quayle have been lunching together - a sure sign to the devious of mind that the president is peeved with his veep.

Mondale offered a little sympathy. "You can always find someone in any administration who thinks the vice president should go and usually you can find quite a chorus if you put in an hour or two," said the former vice president.

But Mondale also said that Quayle's problem appears "different in depth and scope." Quayle, he said, "is a troubled occupant of that position."

Study shows fat fanny healthier than bulky belly

DALLAS (AP) - The American Heart Association says new research has bolstered theories that a fat fanny may not be as bad for your health as a bulky belly.

A recent study suggests that type and location of body fat are just as important as the total amount in determining a person's risk for certain diseases, and those with padded posteriors have the advantage.

A team of scientists examined the body shape and blood fat levels of 1,124 healthy men and women in Milwaukee, Wis., said David Freedman of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, who co-authored a study on the subject.

Women tend to be more "pear-shaped," accumulating fat in the buttocks and thighs, while men usually store fat in a "spare tire" around their waist, making them "apple-shaped," he said.

The research findings will be published in the May issue of "Circulation," the Dallas-based American Heart Association journal.

"The real problem is, you can't alter your body-fat distribution even if you lose weight," said David Klurfeld, an associate professor at the independent medical organization the Wistar Institute. "You can't make an apple into a pear. That's what you've inherited."

Freedman advised "apple-shaped" people to try to lower the risk factors for cardiovascular disease they may be able to control, such as smoking and high blood pressure.

He said men also are more likely to have high levels of cholesterol and other blood fats, putting them at higher risk of heart and blood vessel diseases.

Researchers found, however, that sex difference disappears when body-fat distribution is taken into account.

"What makes our study unique is that it is the first to examine whether the male-female differences in body-fat distribution could account for the differences in blood fats," said Freedman.

Differences in overall obesity made no difference in blood fat levels, while body type almost eliminated the disparity between the sexes, researchers found.

Freedman said that finding suggests that sex hormones may strongly influence both body-fat distribution and blood-fat levels. Scientists determined body-fat distribution by measuring the ratio of waist size to hip size.

Men in the study had much higher levels of triglycerides, or blood fats, and harmful cholesterol than the women in the study.

But Freedman said that among men and women that had the same waist-to-hip ratios, "the differences in the blood fat and cholesterol levels disappeared."

He said the research's next step will be to investigate the role sex hormones play in determining body-fat distribution and levels of blood fats and cholesterol.

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