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MONDAY

Officials plan for public hearing on cable service



Glen Hackler
City Manager

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Pampa city officials and representatives of Sammons Communications both said today they are hoping for a cordial, but informative, public hearing Tuesday night at the M.K. Brown Civic Center Heritage Room on re-franchising the current cable television contract.

At least 200 citizens, and maybe as many as five times that number, are expected to be at the 7 p.m. meeting to tell Sammons officials what they want in a new franchise, both parties said.

City Manager Glen Hackler has previously said complaints about the current cable system are the number one issue he receives calls on each week.

"There is no question we have channel lock right now. It's an old system," said Gary Stills, regional vice president of Sammons, who will join local manager John Mason

at the meeting.

"Our intent is to provide a balance in programming. That's not a problem," he said of a new system. "We just want to find out what the citizens want."

Hackler said what the city does not want and will not allow at the meeting Tuesday is personal attacks on Sammons employees.

"We will allow two to three minutes per speaker, with the opportunity for Sammons to have a rebuttal and then one minute for a follow-up," said Hackler of the meeting's format. "We feel like there will be large numbers and we want to give everybody the opportunity to speak."

Hackler asked that citizens be specific in their complaints or suggestions. He said top issues will probably include current available programming, reception and service, and what residents want in a new cable system.

"Our citizens are very aware of

what other communities have in Oklahoma and other areas of Texas," Hackler said. "We want to keep to the issues. That is in all of our best interest."

Mason, of Sammons, said, "We only know that we will do what the city wants us to do. We don't like any bad publicity. Some of the things I hear are legitimate (complaints). We know it is an old system."

He and Stills said Sammons is prepared to build any kind of system the community wants, with as many channels and options as subscribers are willing to pay for.

"It's no different than any other business," Stills said. "The customers are going to be paying for it, so we give them what they want. It's really no different than buying a car."

He pointed out that recent contracts between the National Football League and cable outlets, Turner Broadcasting and ESPN - as report-

ed in this week's issue of *Sports Illustrated* - have led to pending increases in the amount charged by those networks to cable companies to carry their programming.

Stills said he will point out during the meeting the pressures cable companies are under to pay more for channels they offer. However, he said he is looking forward to a new franchise that residents will be pleased with.

Mason said the primary complaints he receives currently regard interference on channels 4 and 12 and the preempting of Fox network shows such as *The Simpsons*, one of the most popular new shows of the year, for a local church service.

City and Sammons officials have said both problems can be solved with a new franchise, which could include up to 60 channels, with one or more for local-origination shows.

Mason said the interference problem is one the company is already trying to solve, but that the

Federal Communication Commission has failed to act speedily on their request to re-route both channels 4 and 12, via microwave, through the Borger cable outlet to avoid current interference.

Hackler said only 200 seats will be available at the meeting, but that if attendance exceed the limits of the Heritage Room, it is possible the meeting would be moved to the larger civic auditorium to accommodate the crowd.

"I've had several people in my office who have said that (meeting) is all people are talking about," Hackler said. "We will see how many are there."

He emphasized that the public meeting is the best forum for citizens to speak out on what they want in a new franchise.

City commissioners will meet in a brief special session at 6 p.m. in the civic center Green Room for an open meeting prior to the public hearing.

East German conservatives sweep to victory in first free elections

By NESHA STARCEVIC
Associated Press Writer

EAST BERLIN (AP) - A conservative alliance that favors speedy unification with West Germany today proposed a broad coalition government after being swept to a surprise victory in East Germany's first free elections.

But one of the parties invited to join the Cabinet immediately refused, making it much more difficult for the conservatives to achieve a two-thirds majority in Parliament. Such a majority would allow Parliament to simply declare a merger with the West.

Sunday's vote culminated a peaceful democratic revolution that toppled hard-line Communists five months ago. About 93 percent of the 12.2 million eligible voters cast ballots, and the results reflected sentiment that the faster East Germany is joined with its prosperous neighbor, the better.

Lothar de Maiziere, who is likely to become premier, said today the remainder of the Berlin Wall must be torn down "as soon as possible as a clear sign of the merging of the two German states."

De Maiziere, chairman of the

top-ranking Christian Democratic Party, also said in a post-election news conference that talks with the West German government on monetary, economic and social union must be accelerated.

The Christian Democrats received more votes than any party in Sunday's election. They are the leading party in the three-party Alliance for Germany, which won 48.2 percent of the vote and 193 of the 400 parliamentary seats. That was more than pre-election polls predicted.

The vote marked the first time East Germans were given a free choice at polls after a decade of the Nazis and 41 years of Communist dictatorship.

De Maiziere, reading a statement by the alliance, said the group "wanted to build a possible grand coalition."

The Social Democrats were early pre-election favorites but fell behind in polls after the alliance received massive backing from West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. Like the alliance, Kohl supports speedy unification.

The Social Democrats placed a distant second, with 21.8 percent and 87 seats. The Union of Free

Democrats, a centrist party that also supports slower reunification, won 5.3 percent, or 21 seats.

Boehme said the Social Democrats had also decided against entering a coalition with the communist party, which sought their support to prevent conservatives from achieving the two-thirds parliamentary majority.

The Communists, who ruled the nation with an iron fist before being toppled in October, won 16.3 percent of the votes and 65 seats. The party, renamed the Party of Democratic Socialism, cautioned that rapid reunification would hurt East Germany.

The rest of the vote was divided among 20 smaller parties and groupings.

The vanguard of the pro-democracy revolution that made the election possible fared poorly. New Forum, in an alliance with two other groups, ended with just 2.9 percent of the vote. It will have 12 seats in Parliament.

The United States and Britain praised the orderly election. The campaigning was harsh, but no irregularities were reported in voting.

According to East German law,

the new parliament must constitute itself within 30 days of the election.

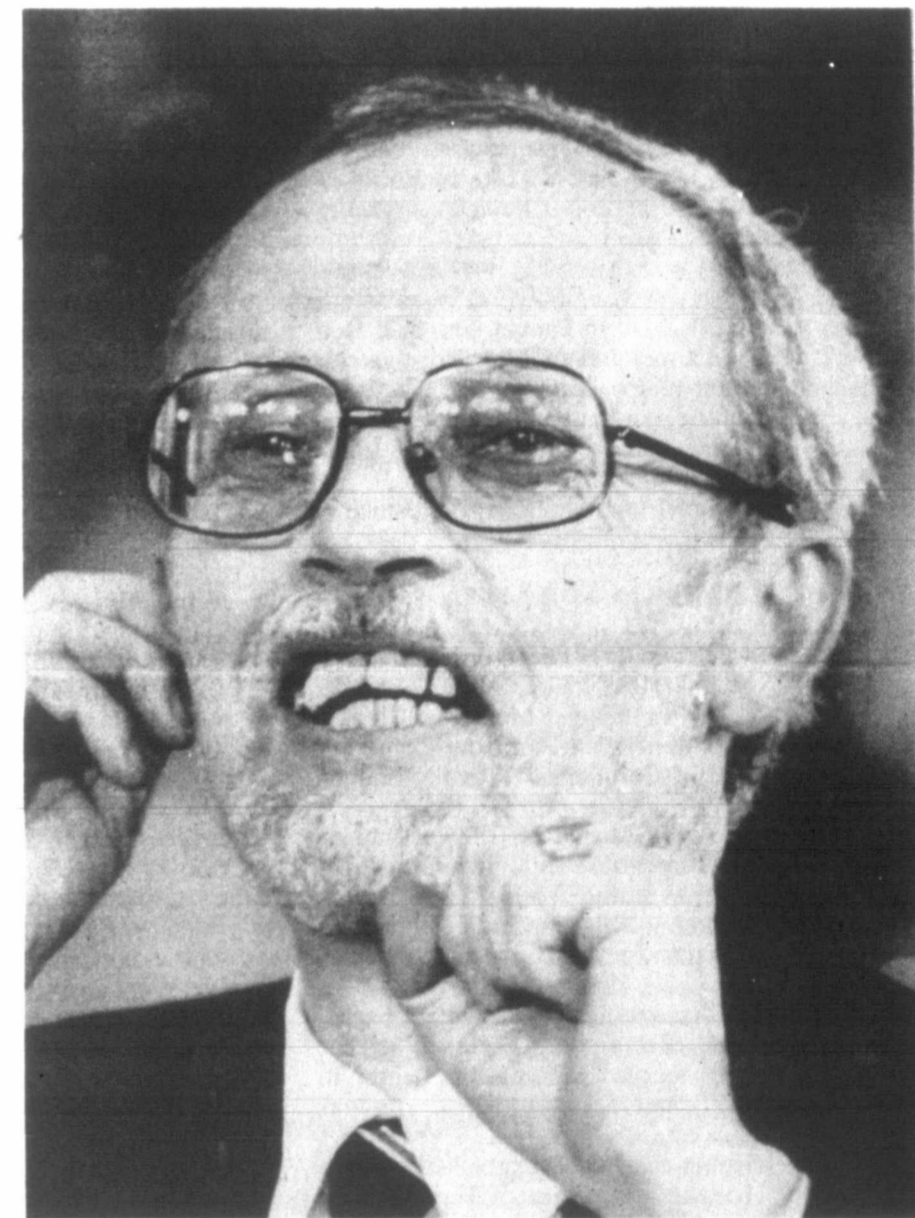
The new government will take part in unification talks with West Germany and the four World War II Allies - Britain, France, the Soviet Union, and the United States.

A major issue is the military strength and alignment of a unified Germany. The Western powers want West Germany to remain part of the NATO military alliance. The Soviets and East German Communists have called for a neutral single state.

Citing the outcome, Kohl and de Maiziere urged East Germans to halt the exodus to West Germany, which sparked the fall uprising but has crippled the East's economy and put enormous strains on the West.

"The German citizens have decided against every form of extremism," Kohl told a news conference. "Most important, they want to follow a path, together with West Germany, that will lead to unification."

"My message at this hour is: Stay home," Kohl said. "Work with us in your villages, cities and communities, in your factories and in your local administrations to build up this beautiful country."



Lothar de Maiziere, Christian Democratic Party chair

School board to meet Tuesday; three math teams to be honored

Trustees for the Pampa Independent School District will meet in regular session Tuesday night, 6 p.m., at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert.

Items on the agenda include adoption of new textbooks, the release of bids for new computers and the possible adoption of a new competency-based diploma program for the high school.

The diploma program will be administered by Amarillo College for those who have not received a high school diploma but have the knowledge required to earn one.

"There are many professions that do not accept a GED, which is the normal route for employment," said Dr. Harry Griffith, superintendent of schools. "They have to have a high school diploma. Even the military does not accept GEDs anymore. They don't want a high school dropout with a \$10 million piece of equipment."

Griffith said the program will be administered by Amarillo College and will not cost the district anything.

Graduates will receive a Pampa High School diploma after earning credits in English, math, science, world geography, world history, United States history, government, economics,

health and 7 1/2 elective credits.

Griffith said the Amarillo public school district already participates in the program.

"We had a 30-year-old man come to us and say he wanted his high school diploma," Griffith said of the impetus to start the program. "We investigated (the Amarillo College program) and are taking it to the school board."

During the meeting, members of Pampa Middle School's sixth, seventh and eighth grade math teams, which recently participated in the Texas State Mathematics League contests will be honored for their participation.

Dennis Wyatt, math teacher at the middle school, said the top five math students in each grade were chosen for the competition.

They included sixth graders Debra Smith, Andrew Berzanskis, Trey McCavit, Cullen Allen and Hugh Teng.

Seventh graders participating were Brian Cathey, Jon Roberts, Luke Long, Michael Griffith and Grace Sutton.

Eighth graders included Joyce Osborne, Chris Jaramillo, Elasha Hanks, Stacie Johnson and Devin King and Justin Collingsworth, who both tied for fifth.



These 15 PMS math students are to be honored at the school board meeting Tuesday for their participation in Texas State Mathematics League contest.

Senate to consider \$1.2 billion school finance reform bill

AUSTIN (AP) - The Senate will consider a \$1.2 billion school finance bill today that Gov. Bill Clements has vowed to veto because of cost.

Supporters of the measure say it would meet the state Supreme Court's order to revamp the public school funding.

But Clements doesn't want to spend more than \$300 million in additional money on public schools in 1990-91. Clements says state taxes would have to increase if more than that is needed.

"I think that number of around \$300 million is the magic number and we're going to stay here 'til it happens," Clements said. "There's nothing mysterious about this."

Speaker Gib Lewis said the House on Tuesday will take up its own education proposal, which would cost an estimated \$450 million next year.

The House measure was approved Saturday by its Public Education Committee.

"I think it's a very good bill," said Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby. "I think they (schools) could use that much money and more very efficiently."

Lawmakers are meeting in special session to address the Supreme Court's ruling that the school finance system is unconstitutional because of disparities between property-rich and poor school districts. The \$13.5 billion

public school system relies on a combination of state aid, local property taxes and some federal funds.

The Senate measure would raise the basic allotment per student from \$1,477 to \$1,910, and guarantee school districts an additional \$22 per student per penny if they impose local property taxes at a particular rate.

The bill also includes provisions designed to improve education. It would require teacher training in the use of technology; strengthen the education commissioner's power over schools that do not meet accreditation standards; and require performance reports for campuses.

The House measure is similar to the Senate's in many respects. However, it would maintain the current basic state allotment per student.

Under the proposal, about \$385 million would be spent in the 1990-91 school year to guarantee each school district the same education funding available to all but the richest five percent of the state's districts. The guarantee requires districts to tax property owners at a rate of about \$1.20 per \$100 property valuation.

After the House and Senate pass their respective measures, a conference committee with members from each chamber can be appointed to work out differences.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

MARTIN, Charles Alvin — 10:30 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.
MULLINS, James M. — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.
ROBERTS, J.T. "Skeet" — 4 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.

Obituaries

CHARLES ALVIN MARTIN
 Charles Alvin Martin, 84, died Sunday, March 18, 1990. Services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with Dean Whaley Jr., minister of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Martin moved to Gray County in 1933 from Cheek, Okla. He married Naomi Bogle on Sept. 30, 1931, in Lone Grove, Okla. She died in January of this year. He was a member of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. He was employed by Coltex Carbon Black Plant for 30 years before retiring in 1963. He later worked as a custodian for the Pampa Independent School District and Citizens Bank and Trust. He was employed by Green Thumb until an illness in 1989.

Survivors include two daughters, Virginia Romines and Patricia Brewer, both of Pampa; two sons, Danny Martin of Pampa and Joe David Martin of Chickasha, Okla.; two sisters, Eunice Nipp of Wilson, Okla., and Blanche Day of Ardmore, Okla.; 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Harold Loyd Martin, in 1935 and by two brothers.

The family will be at 319 Roberta. They request memorials be to High Plains Childrens Home of Amarillo.

J.T. "SKEET" ROBERTS

J.T. "Skeet" Roberts, 80, died Sunday, March 18, 1990. Services will be 4 p.m. Tuesday at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with Dr. John Judson, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiating. He will be assisted by Rev. Don Turner, associate pastor of First Baptist Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Roberts was born April 12, 1909 at Wellington. He came to Pampa as a child. He married Myrtle White on August 22, 1929 in Pampa. She died Dec. 28, 1987. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church and a prominent local farmer.

Survivors include one daughter, Merdella Sherrod, Knoxville, Tenn.; and one grandson, Price Chapman of Abilene.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of Pampa, Box 2782, Pampa, 79066.

JAMES M. MULLINS

James M. Mullins, 65, died Sunday, March 18, 1990, in Amarillo. Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with Dr. Max Browning, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Mullins was born August 24, 1924 at Tahoka. He graduated from Brownfield High School in 1941. He served in the Army during World War II in England, France, Germany, Belgium and Holland. He was also in the Battle of the Bulge. He married Ruby Stuard on Dec. 20, 1947 at Abilene. He graduated from Hardin-Simmons University with a bachelor of arts degree in 1948 and a bachelor of science degree in 1949. He received his masters degree in chemistry from Texas Tech in 1950. He was employed with Celanese Corp. for 35 years as a chemist and environmental coordinator before retiring in 1986. He was a member of First United Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Helen Mullins, in 1958.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Michael James Mullins of Denver, Colo.; two brothers, Wayne Mullins of Brownfield and Carl Mullins of La Porte; three sisters, Ouida Denton of Lakeside, Ariz., and Rita Webster and Barbara Cunyus, both of Lockney.

The family requests memorials be to St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo or a favorite charity.

Calendar of events

PAMPA SINGLES CLUB
 Pampa Singles Club will meet on Tuesday, Mar. 20 at 7 p.m. for snacks and games at the Schneider Apts. For more information, call 665-1523.

FREE TAX AIDE ASSISTANCE
 American Association of Retired Persons is sponsoring a free Tax Aide program every Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.		
Wheat	3.27	
Milo	3.48	
Com	4.29	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation.		
Ky. Cent. Life	14 1/4	
Serco	6 3/8	
Occidental	27 5/8	
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation.		
Magellan	58.85	
Puritan	13.17	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.		
Amoco	53 3/8	dn 3/8
Arco	114 3/8	dn 5/8
Cabot	32 7/8	NC
Cabot O&G	16 1/4	NC
Chevron	69 1/8	dn 1
Coca-Cola	73	dn 1/4
Enron	53 3/4	dn 1/4
Halliburton	45	dn 1/8
Ingersoll Rand	54 1/2	dn 3/4
KNE	22 3/8	NC
Kerr McGee	49 1/2	dn 1/2
Limited	40 1/8	dn 5/8
Mapco	39	dn 1/2
Maxxus	11 1/8	dn 1/4
McDonald's	31 5/8	dn 1/4
Mesa Ltd.	6 7/8	NC
Mobil	62 1/2	dn 3/4
New Atmos	17 1/2	NC
Phillips	25 1/8	dn 1/2
SPS	29 1/2	dn 1/8
Tenneco	68	dn 1/2
Texasco	58 7/8	up 3/4
New York Gold	402	
Silver	5.12	

Correction

In Sunday's Lifestyles section the groom's parents in the Allinson - Laycock engagement announcement should have read: Tommy Joe Laycock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Laycock of Pampa. The Pampa News regrets any inconvenience this error may have caused.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions		Walter S. Eller, Pampa
Fannie Conley, Pampa	Edwin Howard, McLean	Onita Floyd, Pampa
Marcia Julian, Pampa	Canda Morris, McLean	David Hopson, Pampa
Altus C. Ragsdale, Pampa	Atha M. Wilks, Pampa	Rose Putman, Pampa
Jacob Ledbetter, Pampa	Elizabeth Miranda, Pampa	Beatrice M. Smith, Panhandle
Mary Trout, Mobeetie	Iva White, White Deer	Audrey Stone, Pampa
Births		Vera Blevins, Wheel-er
To Dr. and Mrs. Robert Julian, Pampa, a girl.	To Mr. and Mrs. Tim Willson, Pampa, a girl.	Effie Crow, Pampa
Dismissals		Betty Dunbar, Pampa
Carmella Bolin, Pampa	Ora G. Edwards, Pampa	Taci Ferniuk, Pampa
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions		Marcia Julian, Pampa
Lena Burton, Shamrock	Ronald Ellis, Gibson, Fla.	Dorothy Scarborough, Borger
Ada Wooten, Shamrock	Austin Morgan, Shamrock	Kathryn Schultz, Pampa
Dismissals		Carol Hays, Matador

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, March 17
 Police reported domestic violence in the 70 block of Naida and the 800 block of East Kingsmill. Police reported theft of a bicycle at 201 W. Kingsmill.

SUNDAY, March 18
 Bryan Keith Fisher, Route 1 Box 145A, reported an assault at Farley and McCullough streets. Delbert Thompson, 310 N. Faulkner, reported a threat at 333 Jean.

Police reported an abandoned child in the 400 block of Rider.

Ronald G. Smith, 615 N. Frost, reported criminal mischief at the residence. Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported a theft at the business.

Arnold Gonzalez, 703 S. Ballard, reported a burglary at the residence. Police reported driving while intoxicated in the 500 block of West Brown.

Arrests
SATURDAY, March 17

John Calvin Alderson, 33, 736 E. Scott, was arrested in the 2200 block of Alcock on charges of DWI (third offense) and failure to yield right of way. He was transferred to Gray County Jail.

Jody Wayne Rowsey, 23, 853 E. Kingsmill, was arrested at the residence on a charge of domestic assault and two warrants. He was released on bond.

SUNDAY, March 18
 Jerry Joe Isbell, 20, P.O. Box 30, was arrested in the 500 block of West Brown on charges of DWI, failure to maintain single lane and no proof of liability insurance. He was transferred to Gray County Jail.

Mario Alberto Luna, 38, 622 N. Russell, was arrested at the residence on a charge of public intoxication. He was released on bond.

DPS
FRIDAY, March 16

Romero Cervantes Aguero, 25, HCR 2, Box 62, was arrested on U.S. 60, three miles west of Pampa, on charges of driving while intoxicated—first offense, failure to drive in a single lane and no liability insurance.

Danny Ray Boyd, 42, Wichita Falls, was arrested on U.S. 60, four miles west of Pampa, on charges of driving while intoxicated—third offense, driving with license suspended, speeding 85 mph in a 65 mph zone and no liability insurance.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, March 17
 8:18 p.m. — A 1981 Chevrolet driven by John Alderson, 736 E. Scott, collided with a 1978 Chevrolet driven by Sue Hinds, 1109 E. Foster, in the 2200 block of West Alcock. Alderson was cited for DWI and failure to yield right of way. Minor injuries were reported.

9:43 p.m. — An unknown vehicle hit a legally parked 1978 Chevrolet owned by Gerald Gardner, 1820 Lea, in front of that residence. Citations are pending.

DPS
SATURDAY, March 17

4 p.m. — A 1977 Mercury, driven by Donald Shawn McDaniels of Sanford, and a 1988 Ford, driven by Donald Larry Schoon of Amarillo, collided at the intersection of U.S. 60 and FM 282. Citations were issued. No injuries were reported.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SUNDAY, March 18
 7:22 p.m. — A grass fire was reported in the alley between Barnes and Reid street, but was determined to be a false alarm. One unit and two men responded.

Emergency numbers

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

Biographer says facts support an unflattering portrait of LBJ

By HILLEL ITALIE
 Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Robert Caro can understand why some Lyndon Johnson supporters are unhappy with the second of a four-volume series on the former president's life. Caro also felt disappointed. "I really thought I was going to love him," said Caro, author of "The Years of Lyndon Johnson: Means of Ascent."

"When I started on the series, I thought he was like (former New York Gov.) Al Smith. There were great similarities. They were both very uneducated, physically unattractive," said Caro, who wrote of Smith in the Pulitzer Prize-winning "The Power Broker: Robert Moses and the Fall of New York."

"But Al Smith, while he was a ruthless politician, I thought Smith's motivating drive underneath was his desire to help his people, like the Irish immigrants," said Caro, who has spent 14 years studying Johnson's life. "I had the same image of Lyndon Johnson when I started and it was an image that died hard."

What Caro claims to have discovered was that Johnson was a self-centered politician obsessed with power, willing to do anything — steal a U.S. Senate election, wildly exaggerate his war record, even risk his life — to advance himself.

Caro's first volume, "The Years of Lyndon Johnson: The Path to Power," was published in 1982 and also riled some Johnson supporters.

Former Johnson aide Jack Valenti has accused Caro of being "passionately bent on destroying" the late president's reputation. Bob Hardesty, a Johnson speechwriter who helped him write his memoirs,

called Caro's biography dishonest. "I don't think it pretends to be fair. I think it is the work of a man with a burning, unnatural hatred for his subject," Hardesty said.

Caro denied bias. He said his assertions are supported by books, newspapers, court documents, files obtained from the Johnson Library and by interviews with Johnson's widow, Lady Bird, and others.

"Means of Ascent," published by Alfred A. Knopf, begins with Johnson's narrow defeat for the U.S. Senate in 1941 and ends in 1948 when Johnson beat former Texas Gov. Coke Stevenson by 87 votes in a Senate race long suspected of having been stolen.

Caro said that ballot boxes were stuffed and votes altered.

"I really believe that no fair-minded person can ever doubt again that the election was stolen," Caro insisted, "and not with 87 votes or 200 votes, but with thousands of votes. It was not simply something that everybody did, this went further."

"The amazing thing to me is that there was doubt for so many years. When you start reading the court transcripts, witness after witness testifies the same way."

Caro also said that Johnson portrayed himself as "a war-scarred

veteran of many battles on many fronts," but actually saw combat in the South Pacific only as an observer and "for a total of 13 minutes."

He wrote of a man who frequently humiliated Lady Bird, had a lengthy affair with a publisher's wife and campaigned despite potentially life-threatening kidney stones that caused fever and excruciating pain.

Caro agreed with his critics that his subject comes across unfavorably, but said he felt compassion for him, referring to Johnson's painful experiences growing up when his family was in poverty.

"I tell you there are times when you really do feel like crying," Caro said.

Caro said more positive qualities that Johnson displayed as a senator and then as president will be depicted in upcoming volumes.

"A Johnson person might say, 'What is this? Where is the rest of Lyndon Johnson?' The third volume, when he's passing civil rights legislation, takes hundreds of pages and you really see him doing something noble."

"He had those elements in him, great gifts. An empathy for really the disadvantaged in society and a matchless gift for mobilizing the powers of government."

Zoning commission members sworn at meeting Thursday in City Hall

Newly appointed members of the City of Pampa Planning and Zoning Commission were sworn in Thursday at City Hall.

Jerry Noles was elected chairman, with Bobbie Nisbet as vice chairman and Janie Shed as

secretary. Milo Carlson, Jeff Andrews, J.F. Thiry and Dale West complete the seven-member board for 1990.

Retiring chairman Ralph Milliron served the board in the 1970s and through the 1980s.

Court report

Default Judgments

Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1:

Ogden & Son vs. Kenye Sheppard, judgment for plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. Fred Neal, Clarendon, judgment for plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. Kelley Charron, judgment for plaintiff.

Hendrick Animal Hospital vs. Van Johnson, judgment for plaintiff.

H&S Heating and Air Conditioning vs. David Kalka, White Deer, judgment for plaintiff.

T's Carets vs. Larry Woodruff, judgment for plaintiff.

Dean's Pharmacy vs. Laura Y. Anderson, judgment for plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. Dawn Ellis, judgment for plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. Fern Dulaney, judgment for plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. Elizabeth Flores, Lefors, judgment for plaintiff.

Vogue Cleaners vs. Gloria Slater, judgment for plaintiff.

Culberson-Stowers Inc. vs. Danny Searl, judgment for plaintiff.

Culberson-Stowers Inc. vs. Bobby Weldon, judgment for plaintiff.

Quality Rentals & Sales vs. Phillip Reagan, judgment for plaintiff.

Larry Baker Plumbing vs. Mike Ward, judgment for plaintiff.

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Larry Baker Plumbing vs. Thomas Brown, judgment for plaintiff.

Larry Baker Plumbing vs. Becky Garza, judgment for plaintiff.

Larry Baker Plumbing vs. Joseph Neil, judgment for plaintiff.

Gray's Decorating Center vs. Randy McClelland, judgment for plaintiff.

Gray's Decorating Center vs. Piano World (Cary May), judgment for plaintiff.

Dorman Tire & Service vs. Dorothy Williams, judgment for plaintiff.

Culberson-Stowers Inc. vs. E.W. Larkey & Sons Trucking Co., Perryton, judgment for plaintiff.

Brown-Freeman Men's Wear vs. Randall G. Hendrick, judgment for plaintiff.

Brown-Freeman Men's Wear vs. James Williams, judgment for plaintiff.

T's Carpets vs. Larry Woodruff, filed by plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. Elizabeth Flores, filed by plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. Kenye Sheppard, filed by plaintiff.

Ogden & Son vs. E.C. (Corky) Parks, filed by plaintiff.

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Taxpayers pay \$1 million for House members' '89 travel

By LARRY MARGASAK
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — One of every five House members traveled abroad during the last three months of 1989, visiting at least 60 locations at a cost to taxpayers of about \$1 million.

Recently released records show that 87 members, including two non-voting delegates, traveled abroad between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31, 1989. Well over 100 staff members also went overseas.

The delegations went to some of the finest cities in Europe, to the Third World, and in the case of two House Appropriations Committee staffers, to Antarctica to study research projects.

Staffers who travel with members said the workload on a trip can vary with the delegation leader.

The staff of Rep. Stephen J. Solarz' House Foreign Affairs subcommittee works on a rotation schedule because their boss wears them out.

"We have a working breakfast at 7:30 a.m., three meetings before lunch, a working lunch, two or three

meetings in the afternoon, cocktails with one group and a working dinner with another," said Stanley Roth, staff director of the New York Democrat's subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs. "That's a pretty basic day."

However, one House staff member said staffers refer to some lawmakers as "WCS" or "world class shoppers."

This source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, recalled a member once asking, "Why the hell did you allow the meeting to go after 6 o'clock? The stores are closed."

The House records show the cost of the trips was at least \$971,000 from October through December, but reports still not filed could push the total to more than \$1 million.

Many members flew in first-class commercial seats, while larger delegations used military jets, maintained at Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Maryland for federal executives and members of Congress.

One far-ranging trip last November and December took a House Armed Services Committee delegation

to Morocco, Egypt, Jordan, Oman, Bahrain and Portugal in 11 days.

The delegation met a king, a sultan and a president. They ate pigeon, saw the pyramids and cruised the Nile. But these pleasures were mingled with hours of embassy briefings, meetings with foreign officials and banquets.

By the end of the trip, members and staffers "were saying it was like the Bataan death march," said Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., who organized the trip as chairman of the Armed Services subcommittee on military installations.

Schroeder said 18-hour days were the norm on her trip, adding there were "no golf clubs ... no tanning clinics. The food was very good, but I don't think we ever sat down to a dinner that was less than three hours long."

Although Schroeder freely discussed the perks along with the workload of her trip, lawmakers generally react defensively about travel.

Rep. Mervyn Dymally, D-Calif., who took three trips from October to December that landed him in Africa,

Europe, South America and Asia, responded to an inquiry about his travel by preparing a report on his mission.

Dymally, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on international operations, said he was studying "diplomatic security, anti-terrorism, construction of new buildings, acquisition of sites, and the controversy surrounding the Moscow Embassy," which was never occupied by U.S. diplomats because it was found to be filled with listening devices.

Rep. Eni F. H. Faleomavaega, the Democratic non-voting delegate from American Samoa, went to New Zealand in November to discuss fishing issues. He traveled to Jamaica in November to discuss Caribbean economic matters. Then it was on to Panama, Nicaragua and El Salvador in October to assess current events in those countries.

Dymally went to The Gambia, the United Kingdom and France in one October trip, and two weeks later traveled to Venezuela, Suriname, Curacao, Haiti and Guyana. He also went in December to Japan, South Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong.

Voice-activated typewriter to open new world for many handicapped

By DANA KENNEDY
Associated Press Writer

NEWTON, Mass. (AP) — A new, voice-activated "typewriter" is a science-fiction dream-turned-reality that promises to boost productivity and open a world of opportunity for the handicapped.

The DragonDictate Voice-Type writer, which was being formally unveiled today by Dragon Systems Inc., is billed as the first of its kind in the world.

"My only regret is that your product didn't come out 20 years ago," Frank Whitney, a quadriplegic Maryland computer scientist, told the company in a letter written on the system. Whitney has used the system for the past year.

The "typewriter," which consists of software and a speech-recognition circuit board for personal com-

puters, allows users to create memos, manuscripts and other documents by speaking instead of typing. Users speak into a microphone and see text appear on a video screen at the rate of 35 words a minute.

The \$9,000 system can recognize 30,000 words and adapt itself to individual speakers. Until now, voice-activated systems had not been able to recognize more than 5,000 words.

The commands are simple. To turn off the system, one says, "Voice Console: Go to Sleep." To turn it on, the command is "Voice Console: Wake Up."

A mistake is corrected by saying "oops" and repeating the correct word. Many functions can be operated manually as well.

"The technology can address all segments of the workplace," says

Janet Baker, who founded the company with her husband, James, in 1982 after stints in speech-recognition product development at IBM Corp. and Exxon Corp.

The system is designed for professionals who don't type well or who want to write reports and letters that otherwise would be dictated to a secretary, then transcribed.

"The only people who are really good typists are journalists, computer programmers and secretaries," said Baker. "Doctors, lawyers and a lot of other people often just hunt and peck or they rely on handing notes to someone to type up."

DragonDictate is also seen as a great boon to the disabled. Whitney and others with disabilities have used the system in test marketing around the country for the past year.

Laura Harris, a 19-year-old sophomore at Harvard University,

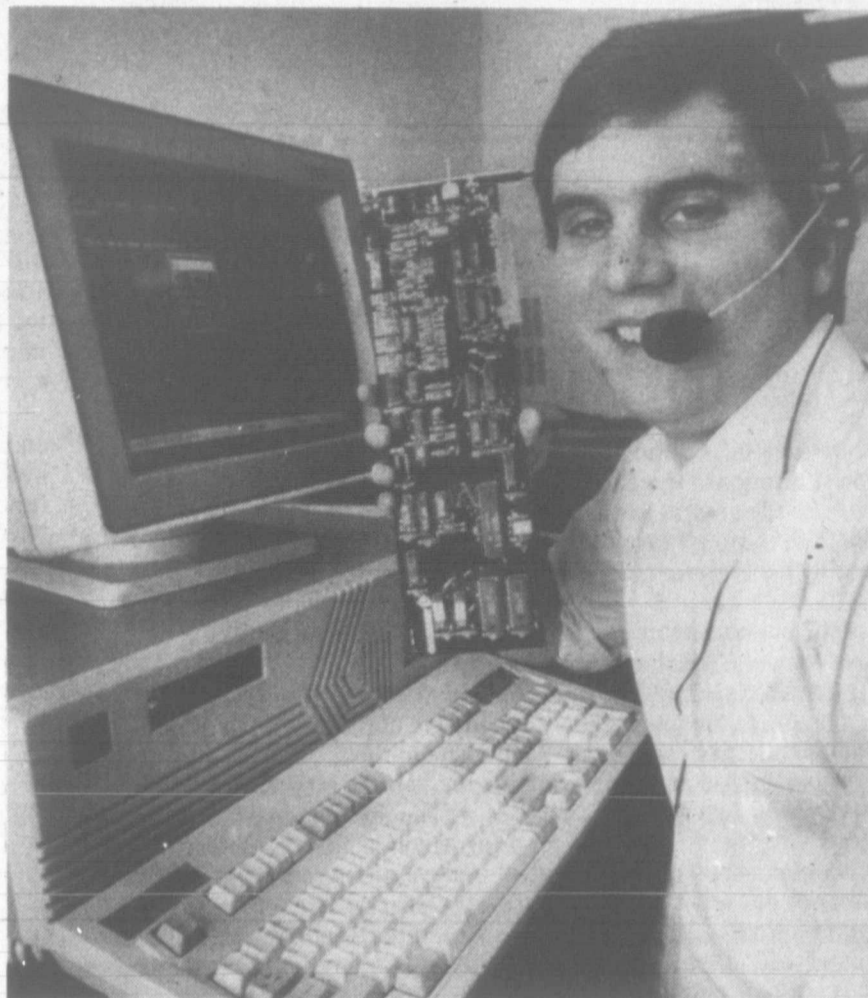
was born without fingers on her left hand. She taught herself to type with her right hand, but did so much typing as a freshman government major, she injured her hand. She was forced to dictate her papers into a tape recorder and give it to another student to transcribe.

Since January, Harris has used DragonDictate.

"It was so hard to dictate before because I couldn't actually see what I was writing, so I couldn't edit. I often ended up trying to write long-hand and that was painful," said Harris. "DragonDictate is just amazing. It allows me to go back to typing and editing my work."

The system adjusts to each user's voice and vocabulary because individual voices can vary widely.

DragonDictate is compatible with an IBM personal computer with a 386 microprocessor.



(AP Laserphoto)

David Pinto, manager of customer support and education for Dragon Systems Inc., in Newton, Mass., wears a headset Friday showing the "speech" board for the 30,000-word Dragon Dictate voice-activated typewriter which converts spoken words into text.

Thieves steal master paintings from Boston museum

By ARLENE LEVINSON
Associated Press Writer

BOSTON (AP) — Two thieves with a talent for disguise and a taste for Rembrandt and Degas stole 11 paintings valued at hundreds of millions of dollars in a daring theft from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum.

But experts say the paintings are so priceless, they're worthless.

"People make pilgrimages to see these paintings. Scholars and art lovers know where they belong," Constance Lowenthal, executive director of the International Foundation for Art Research, said Sunday.

The theft occurred around 1 a.m. Sunday, when two men apparently convinced museum guards they were police, then bound them with tape and made their way to the museum's Dutch room.

It was seven hours before a cleaning crew discovered the theft.

The heist was "a professional job," said FBI agent Paul Cavanagh. "This is one of those thefts where people actually spent

some time researching and took specific things."

He said the investigation would not be limited to the United States.

"It is the biggest Old Master theft in this country, by far," said Ms. Lowenthal, whose organization tracks art thefts.

"The Gardner Museum is a treasure house," she said. "Everything in it is exceedingly valuable and first-rate and superb."

The value of the missing works, which included an ancient Chinese beaker, was in the hundreds of millions of dollars, said Karen Haas, the museum's curator.

"It's not overstating the case to say that these are priceless works," said William Robinson, curator of drawings for Harvard University's Fogg Art Museum. "A loss of any of these works is significant."

But their true value cannot be determined because they have not been on the market for nearly a century.

The works taken were:

- "A Lady and A Gentleman in Black," "The Storm on the Sea of Galilee," and a self-portrait by Rembrandt.

- "Landscape with an Obelisk," by Govaert Flink, another 17th-century Dutchman.

- "La Sortie du Pesage," "Cortège aux Environs de Florence," "Three Mounted Jockeys," "Program for an Artistic Soiree," and another, less complete work by the same name, by Edgar Degas.

- "Chez Tortoni," by Edouard Manet.
- A Chinese bronze beaker from the Shang Dynasty, 1,200-1,100 B.C.

The Rembrandt self-portrait and "The Storm on the Sea of Galilee," the artist's only seascape, were especially important, Robinson said.

He said the theft of the Vermeer also was a major loss because only about 35 of his works are known to exist.

Experts said the motive for stealing such well-known pieces could be ransom or acquisitiveness by a selfish, wealthy art lover.

"You hear legends of deranged collectors. But, mostly, I think it's the stuff of spy novels," said Peter Sutton, curator of European paintings at the nearby Museum of Fine Arts.

Gardner Museum spokesman Corey Cronin refused to say whether the works were insured.

The Gardner Museum, which sits along the graceful green parkway called the Fenway, has a state-of-the-art security system, and employs two security guards, Cronin said.

He said no apparent damage was done to the museum, a four-story building with a courtyard and a skylight.

The museum was built to house the collection of the woman whose name it bears, the widow of John Lowell Gardner, the wealthy son of the last of Boston's East India merchants.

Mrs. Gardner lived on the top floor of the mansion until her death in 1924 at age 85. But she opened her home and its collection to the public long before then, in 1903.

Officials hope solar energy meeting sparks cooperation

By SUSAN HIGHTOWER
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Though solar cars and cow manure-driven power plants will be the talk of the National Solar Energy Conference here this week, officials hope the meeting that began today sparks cooperation between industry and researchers.

The four-day event, which organizers say is the largest solar conference in the world this year and the biggest ever in the United States, combines the nation's two major renewable energy organizations.

It is expected to draw 700 to 900 participants and link 3,600 professionals in the American Solar Energy Society with 260 companies of the Solar Energy Industries Association.

"I think it will stimulate some more cooperative efforts between researchers, engineers — that type of people — and industry," said Larry Sherwood, executive director of the ASES.

He said that after years of neglect under the Reagan administration, solar energy is taking its place in the sun as the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Agency encourage new research and marketing.

Bruce Hunn, chair of ASES's annual conference, said the gathering will show manufacturers and

distributors the latest research.

"At the same time, when (they) can talk to the manufacturers, researchers then are able to gear their research in more practical ways," said Hunn, who is with the University of Texas at Austin's Center for Energy Studies.

The conference, which runs through Thursday, will feature general sessions, technical workshops and facility tours. Educational exhibits will be at Palmer Auditorium, while industry and commercial presentations will be at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

Hunn said curiosity about solar power is on the rise because of concern about global warming and pollution.

"People realize that global warming is exacerbated by the use of fossil fuels, and they start to think, 'What can I do about that?'" he said.

Linda Ladas, director of programs for the Solar Energy Industries Association, said there is "a renewed interest on Capitol Hill and a renewed interest in the United States from consumers" in solar energy.

She said a creeping rise in energy costs combined with environmental concerns surrounding the use of nuclear energy and fossil fuels should help the \$30 billion-a-year renewable energy industry grow steadily.

Among the educational exhibits

at the conference will be a solar car called the Texas Native Sun that is being built by 20 UT-Austin undergraduates in mechanical engineering.

The car is not yet finished, but the students plan to enter it in a national car race from Disney World in Florida to Detroit this July.

General Motors also will sponsor

an exhibit describing the development of their solar car, the Sunracer, which won a race across Australia.

Phil Hawes, co-architect of Arizona's two-acre Biosphere II — which is testing the concept of humans living in self-contained, solar-powered glass environments — will speak at an awards dinner on Wednesday.

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Opinion

Easing immigration is good news for us

It looks as if some progress might be made on easing immigration restrictions. The Bush administration agreed to a Senate plan to increase the current annual immigration quota by 140,000 to 630,000. A House proposal would allow in 750,000. Either plan would be an improvement on the current restriction allowing only 490,000.

The impetus behind the higher House number is a backlog of more than 400,000 immigrants' relatives seeking to join their loved ones. Said Rep. Bruce Morrison, chairman of the House Judiciary subcommittee on immigration: "Many are children, and they're indistinguishable from other, American children."

Any increase in immigration numbers, if the market dictates, moves us in the right direction. But we should remember two things. First, immigration is good for America. This is emphasized by economist Julian Simon, one of our top immigration experts and author of the new book *The Economic Consequences of Immigration*. His studies indicate that, over a lifetime, an immigrant pays on average \$12,000 to \$20,000 (in 1975 dollars) more in taxes than he takes out in benefits.

Immigrant especially help fund the ailing Social Security system, writes Prof. Simon, since most immigrants are young and work hard. Professor Simon's studies belie the notion that immigrants are shiftless and eager to tap into our welfare system.

A second positive factor in the immigration equation is the general, though slow, improvement of the Mexican economy, where many of our immigrants (legal and illegal) come from. Last year President Carlos Salinas's government privatized the large airline Mexicana de Aviacion, the National Hotel Group (a large five-star hotel chain), 19 sugar mills and other industries. The airline privatization alone brought \$140 million in new investment capital.

Over the next few years such changes should bring about a general renewal of the Mexican economy. It was the sharp decline of the Mexican economy in the late 1970s and early 1980s, caused by a binge of socialist nationalization, that pushed so many immigrants north; which, in turn, was a large factor behind the new immigration restrictions in the United States.

For these reasons, the United States government should take several major steps. It should immediately repeal the section in the 1986 immigration law that forces companies to prove each new employee's citizenship (or valid green-card status). Next, it should increase immigration quotas higher than the 630,000 or 750,000 levels being talked about; 2 million would be a start. These are good people who can help our country.

Finally, we should move toward removing all immigration restrictions. In particular, we should treat our good neighbor to the south, Mexico, the same way we treat Canada, or the way the nations of the European Economic Community treat one another (they have open immigration).

The immigration relaxations being discussed in Washington are good news, and the foundation on which to build something better.

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"So, general, how is perestroika coming along at the PENTAGON?"

This lie ought to be exposed

WASHINGTON — We have been hearing a great deal lately about "rights." Not just civil rights, but also animal rights, student rights, voting rights, the right of privacy, the right to life, and so on. On March 5, a brand-new right popped into the news. This is a Right to be Offensive at Public Expense.

It evolved in this fashion. John Frohnmayer, chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, was in Los Angeles for a public hearing on reauthorization of NEA funding. Among the spectators was Rep. Pat Williams, D-Mont. Everything was going smoothly (only friendly witnesses were on hand) when Williams asked a tough question. He asked if the NEA should permit grants for the creation of "offensive" works of art.

Frohnmayer tried to duck. Williams persisted. Finally Frohnmayer responded: "I would say yes." He would not approve a grant for anything whose sole purpose is to be offensive, but he willingly would give the taxpayers' money to an artist who created "rough stuff."

It is marvelous, is it not? It is marvelously wacky. As the hearing continued, it developed that violation of the Right to be Offensive at Public Expense (ROPE) is "censorship." Williams praised the chairman for his attitude: "It shows real determination that the NEA not be used as a censorship agency."

Well, if an indulgent Congress gives the NEA enough of this ROPE, perhaps the agency will yet hang itself. A good thing, too. There is something fundamentally wrong in the whole business of NEA grants to individual artists, composers, poets and jazz musicians. These grants ought to be banned.



James J. Kilpatrick

This is how the system works. Every year the NEA announces that it will give 50 fellowships of \$20,000 each in, say, the field of poetry. From across the land, hundreds of hopeful poets submit samples of their work. A panel of professional poets then winnows the entries and names the happy winners.

But hold. In any such competition (I have judged a few), the difference between No. 50 and No. 51 is minute.

Judgments are entirely subjective. It is all matter of the panel's taste. But the upshot is that No. 50 gets \$20,000 of the taxpayers' money, plus the fame and recognition that goes with being an NEA Fellow. And No. 51 gets — nothing.

Well, you say, that is how the world is. Some win, some lose. This is true enough in the private sector, but it ought not to be true in the public sector. Our government has no business creating winners and losers with public money. In a free society, poets, painters and pianists ought to compete in a free marketplace. If their work catches on, fine. If not, this is how the world really is.

It is this elementary distinction between public funds and private rights that has been so willfully

blurred in the controversy over the NEA. Every would-be artist has a right to create "offensive" work. No sensible person challenges that right. But there is no right whatever to be offensive at public expense.

In New York in mid-January, a woman named Annie Sprinkle, who describes herself as a "feminine porn activist," put on 12 performances at a Manhattan theater called The Kitchen. The performances were funded in part through a grant from the state's council on the arts, which in turn is funded in part by a \$500,000 grant from the NEA.

The *New York City Tribune* covered the performance. I try to be delicate, but it isn't easy. The *City Tribune* reported that the artist began by masturbating before the audience with various "sex toys." She concluded by opening her vaginal canal with a speculum and inviting the audience to take a close look at her cervix.

The performance might have been instructive for medical students planning to go into gynecology, but was it "art"? Bosh! Hokum! Balderdash! Nonsense! I run out of breath. That such a performance should be publicly funded is preposterous. It is equally absurd to contend, as Rep. Williams contends, that to deny a grant for such pornography is "censorship."

Look. In common with every other writer, I live by the First Amendment. Freedom of the press and freedom of speech are precious to me. At the top of my lungs I will defend the right of any poet to write whatever he pleases. Censorship — actual, formal censorship — is abhorrent.

But federal grants to individuals are equally abhorrent. This alleged ROPE — this supposed Right to be Offensive at Public Expense — ought to be exposed as the lie that it is.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, March 19, the 78th day of 1990. There are 287 days left in the year. This is the date the swallows traditionally return to the San Juan Capistrano Mission in California.

Today's highlight in history: On March 19, 1687, French explorer Robert Cavellier, sieur de La Salle — the first European to navigate the length of the Mississippi River — was murdered by mutineers in present-day Texas.

On this date: In 1917, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the eight-hour work day for railroad workers.

In 1918, Congress approved Daylight-Saving Time.

In 1920, the U.S. Senate, for the second time, rejected the Treaty of Versailles.

In 1931, Nevada legalized gambling.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt ordered that men between the ages of 45 and 64 register for non-military duty.

In 1945, about 800 people were killed as Kamikaze planes attacked the USS Franklin off Japan. The ship, however, was saved.



"Vas ist los, here? Yesterday, it vas champagne und roses — today, it's move along, dumbkopf."

Oldest bridges made of wood

In the southwestern United States a gnarled desert bush-tree is tough enough to dull any ax or saw.

Handcrafting this desert Ironwood requires special tools but creates a prized finished product infinitely durable and too heavy to float.

Ironwood is not the only wood that's "tougher than steel"; many kinds of wood are.

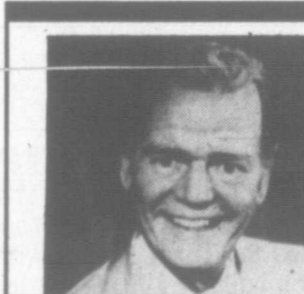
The only parts of the wrecked Titanic which survived in excellent condition were the teakwood stair railings.

Other woods have a grain as tight as teak — maple, poplar, red oak, hemlock.

A University of New Hampshire study suggests that our aging metal bridges on secondary roads — rusting and failing — might best be replaced with wooden bridges. Wood can last 20 years longer than either steel or concrete and can cost 25 percent less.

Wood, lighter, is easier to work and, unlike concrete, can be installed in subfreezing weather.

One reason that a wood bridge will outlast steel is that the wood is not vulnerable to road salt which can corrode both steel and concrete.



Paul Harvey

Nationwide, the market for timber bridges is enormous with 574,000 bridges either structurally deficient or functionally obsolete. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) says 90 percent of our deficient bridges are in the 20 to 40 foot range, ideal for timber technology.

Modern wooden bridges do not involve nailing 2 by 12s together. The latest bonding technology involves laminating boards into giant cables. A stack of planks resembling a butcher-block table thus presents a rigid, durable driving surface capable of supporting the heaviest of modern traffic.

Wood used in today's bridges is treated to seal

out moisture. Wooden decks are often topped with asphalt over a waterproof membrane liner.

Five wooden bridges are being constructed in New Hampshire this year with matching funds from the USDA.

Agriculture's stake in this is obvious as it would utilize aging timber stands in areas which are not now harvested commercially.

With assistance from the U.S. Forest Service, the state of Michigan has launched a multi-agency effort to establish a timber bridge industry using local timber species.

Wooden bridges already built for demonstration purposes, will carry the 55-ton load of a large, fully loaded truck. They have been constructed of three types of material for a cost comparison.

Pre-stressed concrete runs \$70 per square foot. Concrete and steel costs \$54 per square foot.

Equivalent timber bridges can be built for as little as \$32 per square foot.

Interesting that the subject is being re-researched when the best evidence is so obvious: The oldest bridges in our nation that are still functional are made of wood.

Rush to judgment on Morgan abuse case

By CHUCK STONE

For the last few days, my conscience has nagged me about the possibilities of a wrongful crusade on my part — my strenuous support of Dr. Elizabeth Morgan to prevent her divorced husband, Dr. Eric A. Foretich, from seeing their daughter, Hilary, because of alleged sexual abuse.

With Hilary turning up in New Zealand with her maternal grandparents, new evidence has raised disturbing questions about the merits of Morgan's accusations. I couldn't help but think of one of Paul's most compassionate epistles, which is also his shortest. In a letter to Philemon, Paul writes about an escaped slave, Onesimus, who stole money from Philemon, escaped, met Paul in Rome, converted to Christianity and agreed to return with Paul's letter.

"If he hath wronged thee, or oweth thee ought," Paul wrote, "put that on my account."

If Foretich has been wronged by spurious charges of sexual abuse, on

whose account do we put what is owed?

So many of us shared Elizabeth Morgan's outrage. We admired her maternal gutsiness in serving 25 months in jail rather than complying with a court order. And we applauded Congress for passing a law limiting the length of time one can serve for contempt of court in Washington, D.C.

Further clouding the issues was the primordial stubbornness of the judge in the case, Herbert B. Dixon. Every time Dixon opened his surly mouth, vengeful venality rather than judicial evenhandedness seemed to lace his remarks. Elizabeth Morgan was our Joan of Arc. Dixon was the Grand Inquisitor.

A year ago, I wrote a strong defense of Elizabeth Morgan, "a loving mother, rational, educated and intelligent" who refused to comply with what she felt was an unjust court order. I compared her courage to that of Susan B. Anthony, Mohandas K. Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr.

Now evidence has surfaced that could absolve Foretich.

(1) The then 10-month-old Hilary's reddened thighs may have resulted from a diaper rash caused by riding in a car on a hot day, as an examining physician concluded at the time, not sexual abuse.

(2) According to a 1987 civil-court proceeding, Elizabeth Morgan's mother told a psychiatrist that Elizabeth's father, William, had a "violent temper" and had abused her and her children throughout their marriage.

(3) Elizabeth recounted in her 1985 book, *Custody*, that she had forbidden her father to take Hilary out alone after he returned several hours late from an outing. That should have sounded a public warning bell. But nobody bothered then to investigate further.

(4) William Morgan revealed a disturbing instability in his scathing denunciation of the judge, the court and the "lazy and incompetent" judges on the D.C. Court of Appeals, who he said are "protecting this judge" because of his race.

(5) The attorney appointed by the court to protect Hilary's interests

called the elder Morgan "extremely unstable" and said he could be "a danger to Hilary's best interest."

In this escalating barrage of charges and counter-charges, it's far too early to make a judgment. Entrenched bitterness may bar resolution. But I feel dirtied by this tangled web of deception, some of it intentional, some of it innocent, but all of it incendiary.

None of us are icons of perfection. Frailties facilitate gullibility. Look how easily Tawana Brawley conned a nation. I'm just relieved that I was one of the first journalists to call her allegations a hoax.

But right now, I'm feeling like the pollster who predicted a landslide for Ortega in Nicaragua. The only consolation may lay in Pope's admonishment, "A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying, in other words, that he is wiser today than he was yesterday."

My, how the Hilary case has deepened my wisdom.

Lifestyles

Fashion show set for Tuesday



(Staff photo by Kayla Pursley)

Denise Hampton fixes the bow on daughter Claire's dress while daughter Ann gives a big smile for the camera. The Hampton's will be modeling for the First United Methodist Women Fashion Show, 7 p.m. Tuesday in Lively Hall. Fashions are provided by Hi-Land Fashions. Tickets for the show are available through business hours tomorrow at the church office, from UMW members or at Hi-Land Fashions. Due to limited seating, tickets will not be sold at the door. For more information contact Margaret Steele at 665-5173 or Alice Warner, 665-5103.

Boys Scouts begin sustaining membership drive

Teams of volunteers will be calling on businesses and individuals to renew their memberships in the Boy Scouts of America, Golden Spread Council.

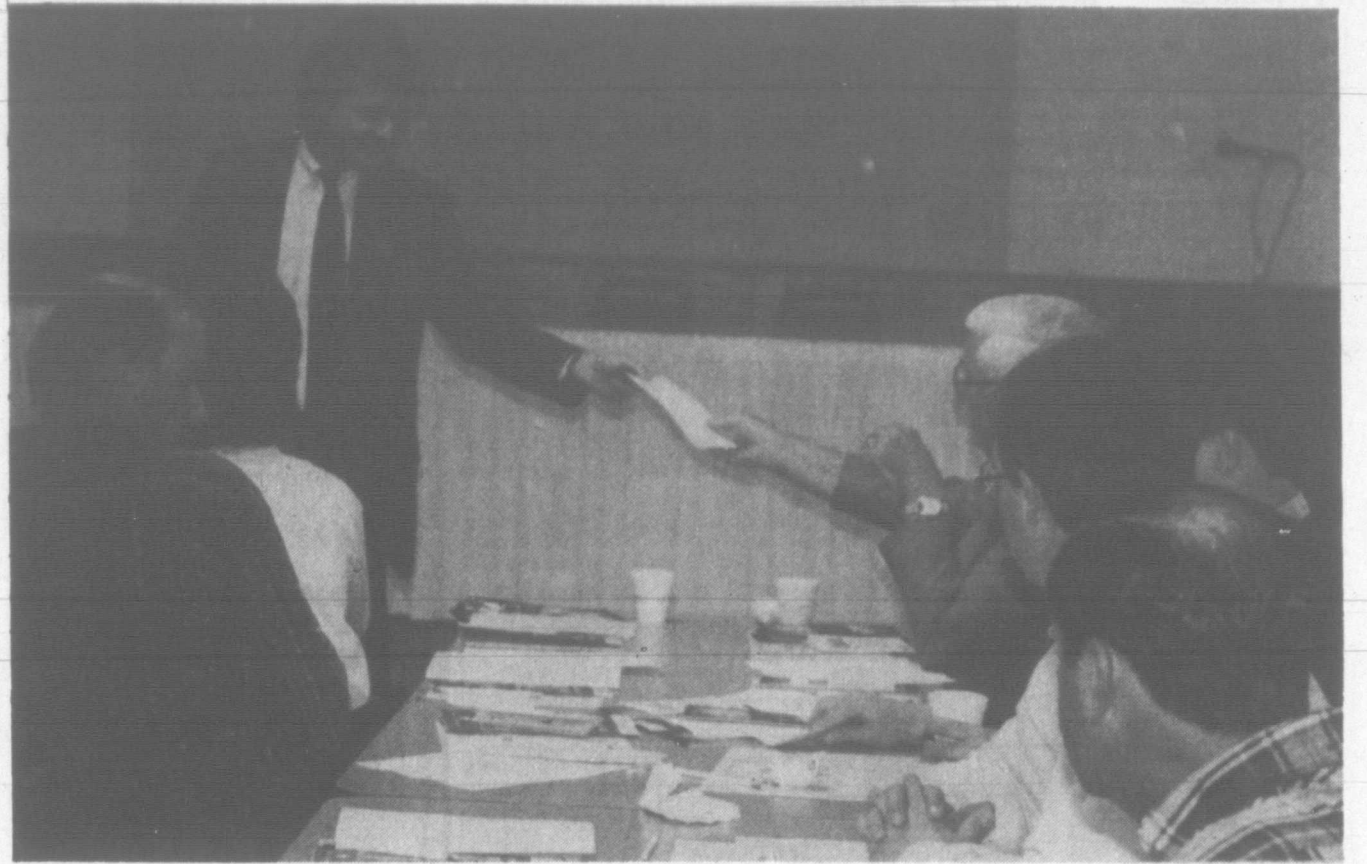
"Our goal this year is \$13,000," says Phil Gentry, sustaining membership enrollment chairman. This is an increase of \$500 from last year.

Captains and team members met on Friday morning for a kick-off breakfast to receive enrollment packets and over 300 pledge cards.

This year's team captains are Steve Cathey, Duane Harp, Dennis Laycock, Jerry Foote, Hal Cree, Kevin Cree, Pete Berzanski and Phil Gentry.

Services provided by enrollment dollars include: direct field assistance to all units; professional guidance for volunteer leaders; year-round maintenance and operation of Council camping facilities; operation of program materials and adult leader training courses; conducting of multi-unit activities such as Camporees, Scout-Fair, and summer camps.

For more information, contact Phil Gentry or Keith Cook, senior district executive at 665-5613.



(Staff photo by Kayla Pursley)

Phil Gentry, chairman of this year's Boy Scout membership drive, hands one of 300 pledge cards to volunteer Dick Stowers during a kick-off breakfast on Friday.

Grow your own seedlings by shoplight

Due to some recent warm weather, I have noticed that some warm season lawn grasses - Bermuda and buffalo - are starting to green up on the south side of houses.

Homeowners planning on using Roundup® to kill henbit and winter annual grasses that are currently green need to inspect turf areas closely. If you determine that your Bermuda or buffalo is starting to grow, then you should not spray that area with Roundup®. Damage can occur to any turf grasses that are starting or showing green growth. Roundup® works on any green-growing vegetation that it is sprayed on.

Gardening season is almost upon



For Horticulture

Joe Van Zandt

Here are some things that early season vegetable gardeners can be doing. Sow seed of English peas and snow peas right away. Set new asparagus and rhubarb beds from now through late March. Sow seeds of early tomato varieties, i.e. Spring Giant, Preston, Small Fry, Improved Porter, Red Cloud, Plainsman; use pest pots with pasteurized soil mix or a prepared peat-lite mix; plants of optimum age (5 weeks) will be ready for setting in the garden after last expected frost.

Begin to acclimate transplants of lettuce, cabbage, broccoli, etc. by exposing them to successively cooler temperatures to enable them to survive cold March nights. Do not withhold water. Plants should never undergo moisture stress.

Seedlings By Shoplight

Gardeners who try starting vegetables seedlings in a sunny window usually complain about the pale green or purplish leaves on spindly stems of plants that lean toward the window. When these weak plants are transplanted to the garden, they are shocked and often killed by the cold, wind and intense sunlight. These gardeners would have been wise to buy their plants from a good garden center or greenhouse grower.

But, what if the varieties you want are not sold by the plant grower in your town? That's an easy answer. Grow your own seedlings indoors, but with a shoplight almost anywhere inside your home.

You can grow healthy, short stemmed vegetable plants with dark green leaves using the light from an ordinary fluorescent shoplight as the only light source for those plants. The shoplight I'm talking about is the kind with two 40 watt cool white fluorescent tubes housed in a white fixture suspended with chains from an overhead support. These fixtures are usually four feet long. The fixture can be suspended over a table by chains from hooks in the ceiling. A saw horse or step ladder will support the fixture for the few weeks required to start seedlings in containers on the floor. Be sure to lay down a sheet of plastic to protect the flooring from excess water that drains from the plant containers.

These inexpensive light units, usually costing from \$12 to \$15 will give plenty of light to the small plants only if the fluorescent tube is kept close, very close, and that is the secret. The tube surface must not be more than one to two inches above the leaf surface. Raise the light fixture often enough to maintain the leaf-to-tube distance in a range of one to two inches. To start with, hang the light fixture so that the tube surface is only an inch above the surface of the germinating medium or soil mix. The moderate heat given off by the fluorescent tube will warm the mix and the seed, thereby hastening germination. A thin film of plastic laid over

the surface of the seed flat will prevent drying of the mix by the heat from the tube. Remove the plastic the instant you see the plant shoot breaking through the surface.

Try to place the seedling container in an area where the temperature will not fall below 55 to 60 degrees F. at night and where the temperature will rise to 65 to 70 degrees during the day. Turn the lights on when you arise in the morning and turn them off before going to sleep at night, to give a light period of at least 12 to 14 hours. Do not leave the lights on all the time.

If you already have a fluorescent light fixture and wish to use it for starting plants, replace the old bulbs with new ones to assure maximum light for your plants.

Most vegetable plants can be kept under the light until they are large enough to be transplanted to the garden. The same fixture can be used to start several successions of seedlings. The first crops to start would be those that can be acclimated to the subfreezing outdoor temperatures of early spring. Some are onion, lettuce, cabbage and broccoli. The second crop under the same lights can be tomato, pepper, and okra seedlings which will be transplanted into your garden after the danger of frost. Finally, you can start seedlings of vine crops like cucumber, melon, and squash in peat posts which can be planted directly to the garden in only two or three weeks from the day you sowed the seed.

Poison prevention crucial

DEAR READERS: It's National Poison Prevention Week again, and I am happy to report that because of poison prevention awareness, deaths of children under the age of 5 due to household chemicals and medications have declined substantially since 1972. I will continue to focus on children, who are still involved in more than half of our poison exposures. However, the next largest group who seems to be at risk from accidental poisoning is our senior citizens!



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

People over 65 constitute 11 percent of the U.S. population, and they take 25 percent of all prescription drugs sold.

Here are some rules for seniors to follow:

MEDICATIONS:

READ THE LABEL BEFORE TAKING THE PILL: Too often seniors take medication without checking the labels. If the medication is taken during the night, they either don't put on their glasses, or they don't turn on the light because they are afraid of bothering someone.

DON'T TRUST YOUR MEMORY: Some seniors tend to forget things they do routinely. They know how many pills to take and when to take them, but they can't remember if they took them or not.

CHECK THE EXPIRATION DATE AND DISCARD OLD MEDICATION: It is hard to throw away old prescriptions when they cost so much, but if the expiration date has passed, throw the medicines away, because they can lose their potency or break down and react differently with other medications, thereby making them risky. Also, a child can find them and ingest them accidentally. (Always keep medications in their original containers.)

DON'T SHARE YOUR PRESCRIPTION WITH OTHERS — OR TAKE SOMEONE ELSE'S MEDICINE.

CHILDPROOF YOUR HOME: Store all cleaning supplies out of sight and out of reach of children. Here's a checklist of potential poisons found in almost every home. These products should be locked up or kept out of reach of children. Never store them under your sink where a toddler can find them.

Kitchen: aspirin, vitamins, furniture polish, detergents, cleansers, ammonia, air freshener.

Laundry: bleaches, detergents, disinfectants.

Bedrooms: all medications, cosmetics, perfumes.

Bathrooms: all drugs, pills, shampoo, nail polish and polish remover, deodorants, bath oil, lotions and hairspray.

Closets/attic/storage: rat, roach and ant poison, mothballs, all aerosol sprays.

Garage/basement/workshop: lye, gasoline, kerosene, lighter fluid, paint, paint remover and thinner, anti-freeze.

GENERAL: Some flowers and plants are poisonous. Protect your children and your pets by keeping them inaccessible.

GRANDMA'S (OR MAMA'S) PURSE: If you carry pills or cigarettes in your purse, do not leave your purse where a child can get into it.

FIRST AID FOR POISONINGS: Keep ipecac syrup on hand in your home, but do not use it except on the advice of your poison center or physician. (Call information now for your local poison center's 24-hour hot-line number and keep it on or near your phone.)

Poison prevention is the best antidote for poisonings, but accidental poisonings can occur in any home. The natural impulse is to act at once, but the wrong treatment for poisoning is often more harmful than none. So, call your poison center or physician for advice immediately.

Honor Roll

Travis Elementary
Fourth Six Weeks

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Crystal Fondren, Dottie Youngblood, Thad Born, Tyson Alexander, Lani Broddus, David Dennis, Rachel Laycock, Kimberly Thorum, Nicole Watson, Andrew Hanks, Nick Warren, Andrew Underwood.

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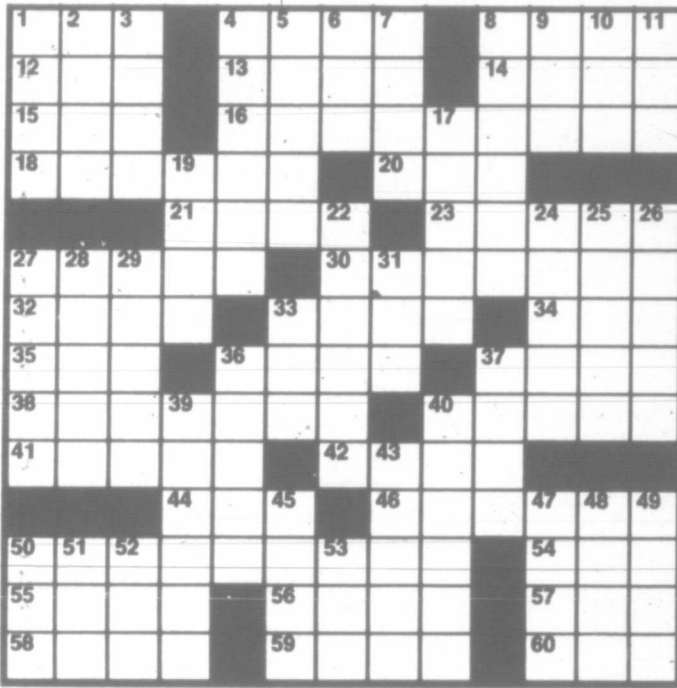
The World Almanac Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 1 Presidential initials
 - 4 Bitter nut
 - 8 Hebrew letter
 - 12 Author Fleming
 - 13 Nerve part
 - 14 Sailing
 - 15 Soap ingredient
 - 16 Chanciness
 - 18 Looked sideways
 - 20 Beast of burden
 - 21 Take advice
 - 23 Smooths
 - 27 Dialect
 - 30 Investigate (2 wds.)
 - 32 Hearts
 - 33 Dry
 - 34 TV accessory
 - 35 Writing fluid
 - 36 For fear that
 - 37 Ballet leap
 - 38 Foes

Answer to Previous Puzzle

LUCY	LUCK	FIAT
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END	FHA	
HAIRY	NATTILY	
IRS	OFOZ	EBOE
LUNE	LEEK	ISA
LITERAL	HADES	
RON	FAN	
HALOS	NONSKID	
IRA	THEW	WIFE
FIN	EARL	ERAL
IDE	RIDS	RITA

- DOWN**
- 1 Actress — St. John
 - 2 Actress — Dunaway
 - 3 Leg joint
 - 4 — Abdul-Jabbar
 - 5 Oxygen compound
 - 6 — Angeles
 - 7 Entertainer Paul —
 - 8 Sunflower State
 - 9 Gravel ridge
 - 10 Footlike part
 - 11 Possesses
 - 17 Newspaper edition
 - 19 Greek letters
 - 22 Stylish
 - 24 Not at all
 - 25 Pipes
 - 26 Merry adventure
 - 27 More slippery
 - 28 17th century English poet
 - 29 Made angry
 - 31 Morsel left at meal
 - 33 Look at
 - 36 Big ship
 - 37 Singer — Feliciano
 - 39 Actor Karl —
 - 40 Didn't exist
 - 43 Hotel employee
 - 45 Lubricates
 - 47 Small monkey
 - 48 Cut in small pieces
 - 49 Iowa college town
 - 50 Can. prov.
 - 51 Type of bean
 - 52 Long period of time
 - 53 Falsehood



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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

There is a possibility you might become involved in a very interesting enterprise in the year ahead. What develops could be brought about by chance, yet it may turn into a profitable second source of income.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The urge to spurge might be a strong inclination with which you'll have to contend today. If it manages to get the upper hand, your credit cards could get a real workout. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It might be wise to reevaluate today any big deals in which you're presently involved. Be sure they actually have the potential you believe them to have.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The road to Hades is paved with good intentions, and there's a chance you might add some fresh brick and mortar to it today. Don't make promises you cannot deliver.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Someone you like might ask you to help sort out some complications today. Do what you can to help, but think twice before making an unsecured loan or co-signing legal documents.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Taking things for granted today where your career is concerned could contribute to your downfall. Double check all of your positions, especially those that appear to be obvious shoe-ins.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Optimism is a constructive asset today, but wishful thinking could be self-defeating. You might think you're the former, but in actuality, you may be the latter.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't grab the managerial reins from the hands of another today unless you're absolutely certain you can do a better job. If you foul up, it could be very embarrassing.

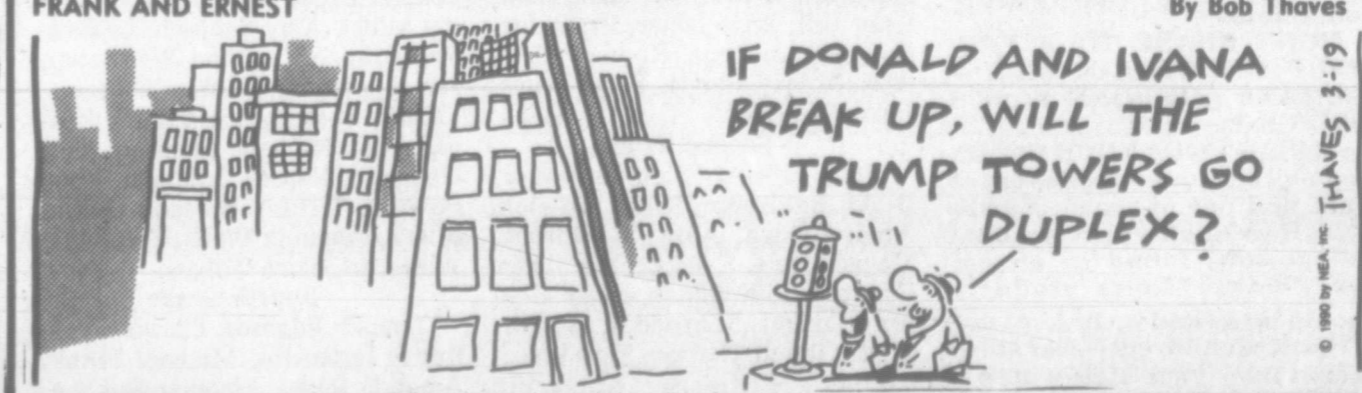
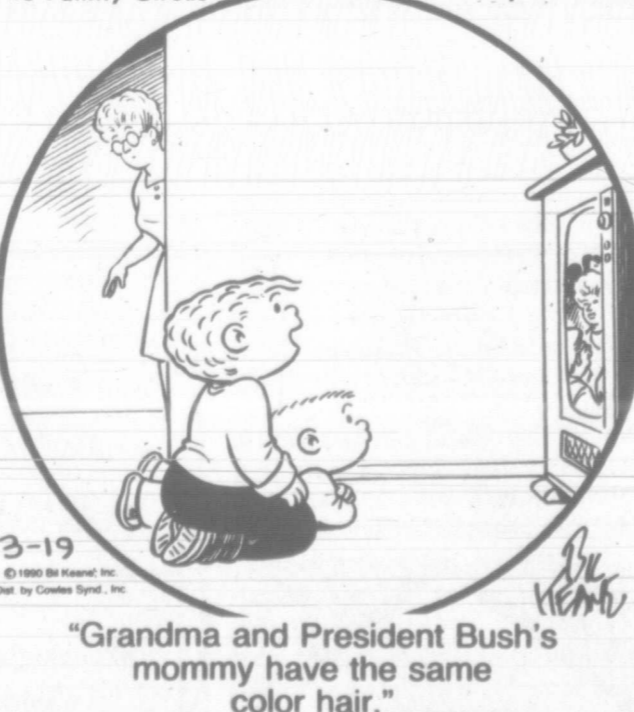
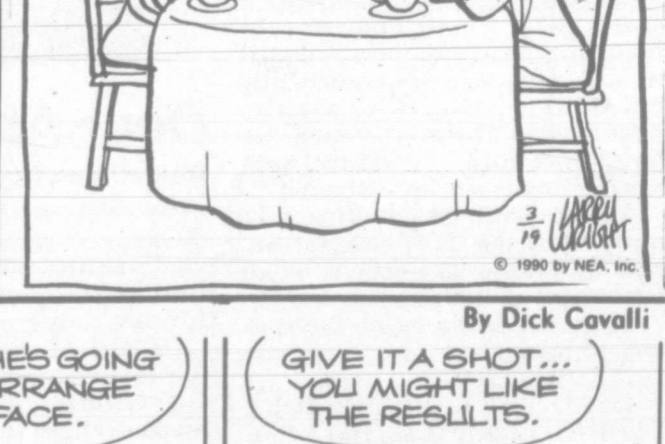
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't be intimidated today by people who flaunt the trappings of power. This could be just a big facade which needlessly puts you in a subservient position.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Uncharacteristically, your motto for today might be, "Don't do now what you can put off until later." Unfortunately, the later to which you refer might be closer than you think.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Where gambles are concerned today you may be relegated to the role of sweetening the pot for others. Even if you're holding aces, don't up the ante.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't pawn off on others today matters that you hope to conclude. Those to whom you delegate the task may attempt to pass the buck themselves and nothing will be accomplished.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Owning up to your own shortcomings could be exceptionally difficult for you today. You'd much rather help remold others than make any corrections in your own make-up.



Sports

Lions continue mission with record-shattering performance

NCAA ROUNDUP

By The Associated Press

Loyola Marymount's sorrowful mission is only one-third complete.

An incendiary formula blending equal parts of skill and emotion over the death of Hank Gathers has powered the No. 21 Lions to a pair of explosive victories in the NCAA tournament. First came a 111-92 romp over No. 24 New Mexico State, followed by Sunday's record-shattering 149-115 blowout of defending champion No. 13 Michigan, the highest-scoring game in tournament history.

"We just want to go out and win because we're doing it for Hank, and nothing is going to stand in our way," Jeff Fryer said after ripping Michigan for 41 points, including a tournament-record 11 3-pointers.

"Loyola is on a crusade, and they played that way," said Steve Fisher, who coached Michigan to the 1989 title and suffered his first loss in eight NCAA contests.

The Lions' next opponent will be No. 23 Alabama in the West Regionals at Oakland, Calif. The Crimson Tide advanced with a 77-55 rout of No. 14 Arizona.

Sunday produced more wild upsets and three of the upcoming four regionals will include at least one unranked team — Ball State in the West, North Carolina and Texas in the Midwest, UCLA in the East.

The "Sweet Sixteen" field was completed Sunday when No. 6 Syracuse edged Virginia 63-61 and No. 20 Minnesota eliminated Northern Iowa 81-78 in the Southeast; No. 25 Xavier of Ohio stunned No. 8 Georgetown 74-71 and Texas nipped No. 10 Purdue 73-72 in the Midwest; and UCLA outlasted No. 5 Kansas 71-70 while No. 15 Duke held off St. John's 76-72 in the East.

On Saturday, it was No. 2 Nevada-Las Vegas 76, Ohio State 65 and Ball State 62, No. 16 Louisville 60 in the West; No. 4 Michigan State 62, UC-Santa Barbara 58 and No. 9 Georgia Tech 94, No. 19 LSU 91 in the Southeast; North Carolina 79, No. 1 Oklahoma 77 and No. 7 Arkansas 86, Dayton 84 in the Midwest; and No. 3 Connecticut 74, California 54 and No. 17 Clemson 79, No. 12 La Salle 75 in the East.

The regional semifinals will send Loyola against Alabama and UNLV against Ball State in the West, Michigan State-Georgia Tech and Syracuse-Minnesota in the Southeast at New Orleans, Arkansas-North Carolina and Xavier-Texas in the Midwest at Dallas and Connecticut-Clemson and Duke-UCLA in the East at East Rutherford, N.J.

Two weeks to the day after Gathers collapsed and died during a West Coast Conference tournament game, Loyola (25-5) unleashed a barrage of 3-pointers that blasted Michigan's hopes of a repeat championship, something that hasn't been done since 1973. The Wolverines finished 23-8.

Bo Kimble added 37 points for Loyola, which had never advanced to

the regionals in five previous NCAA appearances.

"A lot of it is emotion, but a lot of it is also skill," said Fryer, whose 11 3-pointers broke the record of 10 by UNLV's Freddie Banks in 1987 against Indiana in the Final Four. "We're just on an emotional hurricane."

The 264 points were the most in tournament history — the old mark was 247 in 1961 when St. Joseph's (Pa.) beat Utah 127-120 in four overtimes — and Loyola's total was the most ever scored by one team in the tournament (St. Joseph's held the old mark), as well as the most ever against Michigan (Utah had 117 in 1969).

Michigan trailed 65-58 at half-time, but couldn't handle Loyola's press in the second half. Fryer made two 3-pointers and Terrell Lowery and Per Stumer hit one each as the Lions went ahead 89-76. They extended their lead to 95-76 as Kimble made a three-point play and Stumer hit another 3-pointer.

Michigan was led by Rumeal Robinson and Terry Mills with 23 points apiece.

Meanwhile, Alabama held Arizona scoreless for more than seven minutes in the second half and reached the regional semifinals for the fourth time in six years. It was the lowest total of the season for Arizona (25-7), which was averaging 80 per game. Brian Williams, who had a career-high 28 points in the opening round against South Florida, was bothered by sore knees and did not score. David Benoit had 20 points for Alabama (26-8).

Arizona trailed by two points early in the second half, but Alabama scored the next 14 points for a 58-42 lead with 10:13 remaining. Robert Horry hit two 3-pointers and Benoit had two baskets during the run.

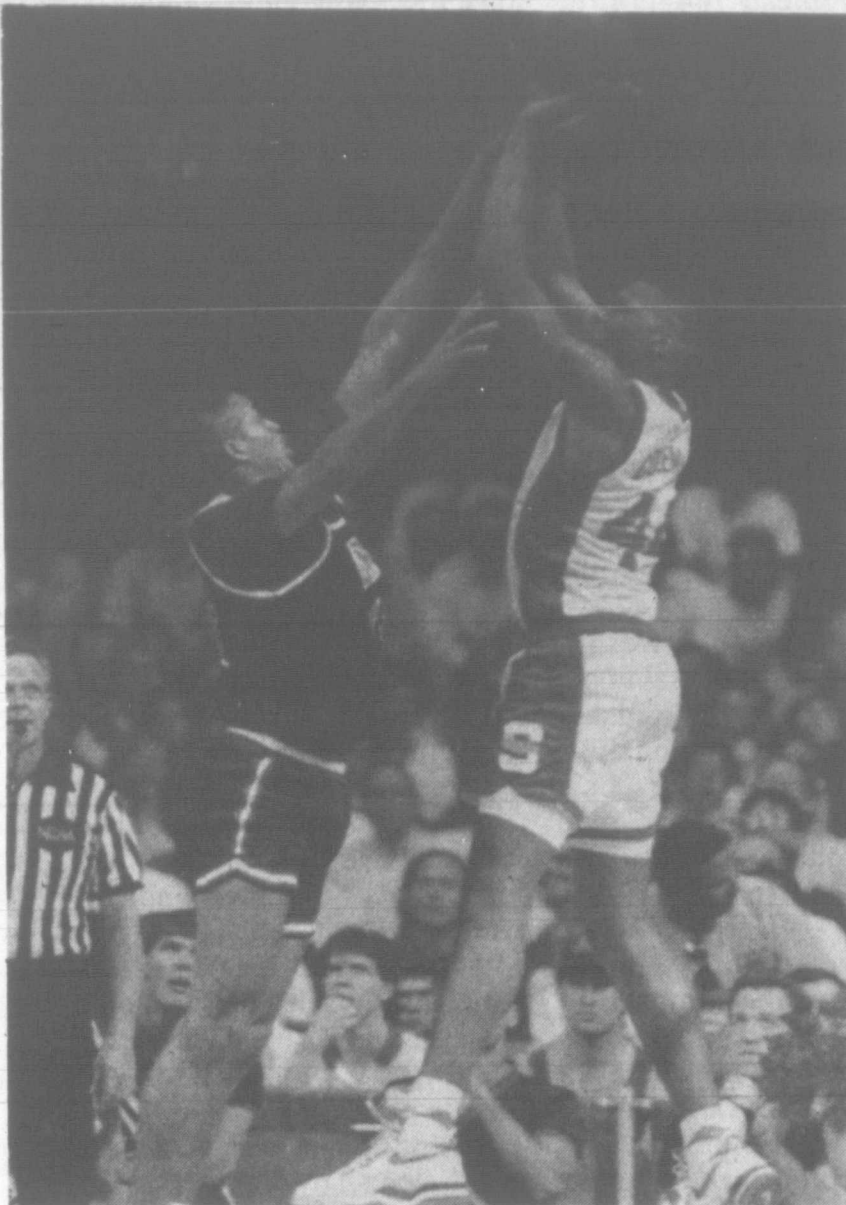
"I don't think I ever had a team play closer to the way we asked them to play," Alabama coach Wimp Sanderson said. "We controlled the tempo of the game and played good, smart basketball."

Holland era over

Derrick Coleman stopped a furious Virginia rally with a game-saving block of Bryant Stith's shot from underneath on the final play as Syracuse (26-6) ended Terry Holland's coaching career and handed the Atlantic Coast Conference its first loss of the tournament.

Holland is leaving Virginia after 16 years to become athletic director at Davidson. The Cavaliers were trying to become the fifth ACC team to reach the round of 16, joining Georgia Tech, Duke, Clemson and North Carolina. ACC teams won their first nine tournament games.

Coleman, who also had 10 rebounds and nine assists, scored 15



(AP Laserphoto)

Syracuse's Derrick Coleman shoots a jumper over Virginia forward Kenny Turner. The Orangemen won a 63-61 squeaker to advance in the tournament.

of his 19 points in the first half when Syracuse took a 41-29 lead. Syracuse led by 15 in the second half before Stith, who scored 30 points, led a 17-5 run by Virginia (20-12).

"It's disappointing to lose the game, that's the main feeling," said Holland, who concluded his Virginia career with a 326-173 mark.

Northern Iowa's dream of a second straight upset died when Minnesota's Willie Burton scored a career-high 36 points.

He scored the first 11 points of the second half for Minnesota (22-8) and his jumper put the Gophers ahead to stay 61-60 with 10:57 left. Northern Iowa wound up 23-9, the most victories since the school joined Division I in 1980. The Panthers got 29 points from Jason Reese.

Unheralded Xavier (28-4), which had won only one game in six previous NCAA tournaments, was led by Derek Strong's 19 points and 12 rebounds and survived a furious second-half rally by Georgetown (24-7).

The Musketeers never trailed after the opening moments and built an 18-point lead late in the first half before falling victim to Georgetown's press. The game was tied 70-70 when a rebound basket by freshman Aaron

Williams put Xavier ahead 72-70 with 1:35 left.

Travis Mays made two free throws with seven seconds left and Guillermo Myers blocked a Purdue shot as time ran out.

Mays grabbed his own missed shot and was fouled by Jimmy Oliviera as he went back up and hit the tying and go-ahead foul shots. Purdue's Tony Jones then drove down the lane, but Myers swatted away his jumper.

"We've been coming from behind all year long and somebody always has to come up big," Coach Tom Penders said.

The Longhorns (23-8), who trailed 56-47 with 12 minutes left, capitalized on missed free throws and turnovers by Purdue (22-8), which missed the front end of three straight one-and-one opportunities.

Stephen Scheffler, who finished his career as the NCAA's career-leader in field goal percentage (.686), led Purdue with 18 points, but made only six of 16 shots.

UCLA freshman Tracy Murray made two free throws with nine seconds left as UCLA beat Kansas (30-5) and knocked the Big Eight's last remaining team out of the tournament. The Bruins (22-10) made the

round of 16 for the first time in 10 years and (22-10) improved their lifetime record against Kansas to 8-0.

The Jayhawks led 68-64 with 2:02 left, but Gerald Madkins hit UCLA's only 3-pointer with 1:25 remaining to get within one. Kansas' Kevin Pritchard missed a free throw with 1:10 to go and turned the ball over with 52 seconds left.

Trevor Wilson gave UCLA a 69-68 lead on a layup with 40 seconds left and Pritchard regained the lead for Kansas on two free throws with 28.9 seconds left. Murray's two free throws followed two timeouts called by Kansas.

Wilson and Darrick Martin each scored 18 points for the Bruins. Terry Brown, who scored all his points on 3-point baskets, and Pritchard each had 15 for Kansas.

Robert Brickey put in a rebound with 32 seconds left to break a tie and added two free throws with nine seconds remaining. Brickey, who led the Blue Devils (26-8) with 22 points, helped Duke rally from a nine-point second half deficit.

Boo Harvey scored seven points as St. John's (24-10) went on a 19-6 run early in the second half and took a 51-42 lead. Duke, however, outscored the Redmen 15-4 over the last 6:35.

Duke trailed 61-53 with 8:49 left when Brickey was fouled by Chuck Sproling. A technical foul also was called on St. John's Billy Singleton. Brickey made the first two free throws, then hit the two technicals and Duke maintained possession. Alaa Abdelnaby's layup pulled the Blue Devils to 61-59.

Smith sprung a trap

AUSTIN (AP) — North Carolina coach Dean Smith spent a few days laying the trap for top-ranked Oklahoma. Then, in a matter of seconds, Rick Fox sprung it.

Prior to playing the Sooners, Smith did all he could to sell his team short. They could blow us out, he said. They've got such great athletes, he said. We're the lowest eighth seed in the NCAA tournament playing the highest No. 1 seed in the tournament, he said.

"We're a huge underdog in our minds," he said.

Not quite. When Fox broke past two Oklahoma defenders and laid a shot off the backboard with one second left in Saturday's game, the Tar Heels won 79-77 and advanced to the round of 16 for the tenth straight year.

The victory puts the Tar Heels in the regional semifinals against seventh-ranked Arkansas. The Razorbacks, seeded fourth, beat 12th-seeded Dayton, 86-84, in Saturday's other second-round game.

"We have so much respect for this group of young men, who have gone through so much," Smith said of his team, which received an at-large bid to the tournament after going 19-11 during the regular season and losing in the first round of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament.

"They've held together, they've been there to practice every day, and this personally is a special time to see them come through against an excellent Oklahoma team."



(AP Laserphoto)

Alabama's Robert Horry rips down a rebound.

Mudd captures Players Championship

By BOB GREEN

AP Golf Writer

PONTE VEDRA, Fla. (AP) — Mark Calcavecchia has a message for Tom Kite.

"I told Tom he'd better watch out," Calcavecchia said. "Maybe

I'll be the new Mr. Consistency."

Kite, of course, is one of golf's steadiest players and has earned the Mr. Consistency label in a career marked by such consistently high finishes that he now ranks as the PGA Tour's all-time money-winner.

The brash Calcavecchia, on the other hand, is a power-hitting, go-for-broke gambler, a swashbuckler in the mold of the young Arnold Palmer, hardly the model of a steady player.

But a runner-up finish, one behind winner Jodie Mudd in the Players Championship on Sunday, has him on a Kite-like pace of consistency this young season.

Calcavecchia has finished eighth or better in seven of nine starts, leads the game's money-winners with \$551,040 and has four second-place finishes, including three in a row.

It could have been much, much better. He needed only a par on the 72nd hole at Doral to win that tournament. A bogey dropped him back into a tie and an eventual playoff loss. He failed to catch John Huston in the Honda Classic by the margin of missed putts of less than four feet on two of the last four holes at Coral Springs.

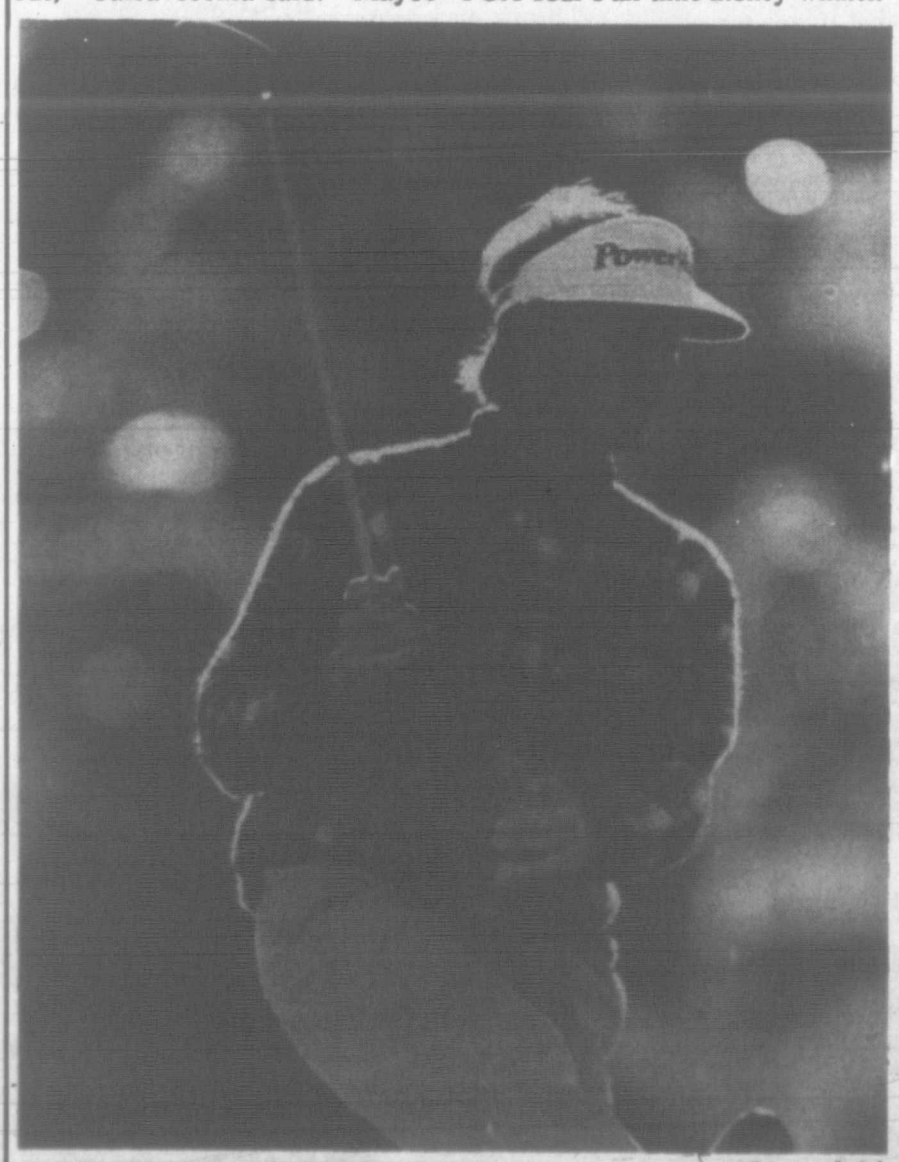
And in the Players Championship, "I just came up a little short," he said.

Calcavecchia's birdie-birdie surge on the 15th and 16th brought him to within one of the front-running Mudd.

"I knew it was a tough situation," Mudd said. "Mark is an awesome player and he was making a run."

But the quiet, lanky Mudd quickly regained the upper hand. He watched a nine-iron shot flirt with the water on the little terror of the par-3 17th before it safely ran to within six feet of the flag.

Mudd made the birdie that restored a two-shot margin then hung on for the most important victory of his career.



(AP Laserphoto)

A birdie on 17th hole gave Mudd TPC title.

Lady Harvesters win Hereford track meet

HEREFORD — Pampa's Lady Harvesters placed among the top three in a dozen events to win the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Invitational Saturday.

The Lady Harvesters scored 130 points, 14 points better than second-place Hereford.

"I felt we had a good team effort. We brought only 16 girls, but I was really pleased with the way they performed," said Pampa coach Mike Lopez. "We didn't have the numbers, but we had the quality."

Nikki Ryan cleared 35-33/4 to win the only first-place medal for the Lady Harvesters, who captured their second meet title of the season.

"We had a lot of personal bests in this meet. Ryan bettered her triple jump by over a foot," Lopez said.

Others who had their best performances were Tonya Osby, second in the 100, Michelle Whitson, fifth in the 800, Tonya Elms, third, 300-intermediate hurdles, Jennifer Bailey, third, high jump and Christy

Jones, fourth in the 400.

"We also got our times down in all the relay events," Lopez added.

Tara Hamby and Kelly Haines drew praise from Lopez for their performances in the field events.

"They were very consistent," Lopez said.

Hamby placed second in the discus and fifth in the shot put while Haines was third in the discus.

The Lady Harvesters compete in a one-day meet Tuesday at Guymon, Okla.

Pampa's placings in the Deaf Smith County meet are listed below:

- 3200 — Brooke Hamby, third, 12:53.08.
- 400-meter relay — (Ryan, Jeffery, West and Osby), second, 50.87.
- 100 low hurdles — Tonya Elms, fourth, 18.83.
- 800 — Michelle Whitson, fifth, 2:32.05.
- 100 — Tonya Osby, second, 12.94.
- 400 — Christy Jones, fourth,

65.04; Lisa Jeffery, fifth, 65.09.

300-intermediate hurdles

Tonya Elms, third, 52.02.

200 — Shanna Molitar, third, 26.06.

1600 — Brooke Hamby, fourth, 6:05.24.

1600-meter relay — (Molitar, West, Jeffery and Whitson) second, 4:17.57.

800-meter relay — (Jeffery, West, Molitar and Ryan) third, 1:48.16.

Shot — Tara Hamby, fifth, 30-11.

Discus — Tara Hamby, second, 117-10; Kelly Haines, third, 107-0.

Triple jump — Nikki Ryan, first, 35-33/4.

Long jump — Nikki Ryan, second, 16-51/4; Lisa Jeffery, fourth, 15-7.

High jump — Jennifer Bailey, third, 5-4.

Team Totals: 1. Pampa 130; 2. Hereford 116; 3. Plainview 106; 4. Canyon 99; 5. Randall 69; 6. Clovis, N.M. 68.

Blazers tie club record in beating Rockets

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A tired Akeem Olajuwon makes it a lot easier to beat the Houston Rockets, says Portland Trail Blazers coach Rick Adelman.

Olajuwon, who had 21 first-half points against Portland, scored only eight after intermission as the Blazers defeated the Rockets 109-96 Sunday night.

The victory was Portland's ninth straight, tying a franchise record that has been reached four other times in the team's history.

The Blazers, who have won 10 of

their last eleven games, are now 24-0 when they've held their opponents to 100 or fewer points.

Olajuwon made seven of his nine shots and pulled down 10 rebounds in the first quarter. The rest of the game, however, he got only four of his 10 shots and got just five more rebounds.

"We didn't think any one guy was going to beat us," Adelman said.

"He was going to take his shots and we felt somewhere in the third or fourth period he was going to get tired."

Olajuwon, whose game has been

torrid in the second half of the season, finished with 28 points and hit 11 of 19 shots. But the other Rockets hit only 25 of 72 from the floor.

"It seems like when our guys miss the first couple of shots, they get reluctant," Houston coach Don Chaney said. "Then all you see is jumpers. We can't do well with only one guy scoring."

Portland's Buck Williams was on Olajuwon most of the third period, when the Blazers broke the game open with a 16-0 run.

The Rockets had pulled within 69-63 on an Olajuwon basket.

Lions playing on more than just emotion

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer
LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Despite all the weight poised there, his shoulders never drooped. Never stooped, sunk, sagged or shuddered, though once, late in the game, when he felt Hank Gathers tugging at some distant corner of his soul, Bo Kimble shrugged. Just like that.

He was standing at the free throw line with 21 seconds remaining Sunday, the game safe and the memory of Gathers secure for a few more days. And yet, as Kimble spun the ball between his fingers feeling for the seams, he thought about shooting left-handed again. Just like Hank did.

"A lot of people think that we're playing on emotion and that it's going to wear off," Kimble said after Loyola Marymount's Lions destroyed defending national champion Michigan 149-115 in a West regional tournament game. "But that's only part of the picture ...

"Long before we ever got here, we felt like we were one of the best teams in the NCAA. Hank and I talked about that a lot, and a lot of what we're accomplishing

now is for him. But even if the intensity looks new," he added, "the confidence isn't."

Bo Kimble was Gathers' teammate at Loyola for three years and his running mate for much longer than that, going back almost a decade to the days when the two hooked up in a tough North Philadelphia schoolyard. And when Gathers collapsed and died on a basketball floor on March 4, Kimble vowed to carry a part of him into every game he played from then on.

Kimble had a lot of positive things to choose from. As a junior, Gathers became only the second player in NCAA history to lead the nation in both scoring and rebounding.

Curiously, Kimble chose the weakest part. Gathers, a miserable free-throw shooter right-handed, tried to cure the affliction by shooting lefty — with predictably miserable results.

Kimble, though, was 2-for-2 through Sunday taking his first free throw of every game with the left, unleashing a torrent of emotion that overwhelmed New Mexico State in the tournament opener Friday night, then repeating the feat Sunday to

cap a three-point play late in the first half that staggered the already-reeling Wolverines.

And now, late in that same game, with the Lions already ahead 144-114, he was mulling whether to launch a third attempt from out of the south. So Kimble looked back over his shoulder to the Lions' bench and sought out coach Paul Westhead for guidance.

Like a pitcher and catcher working over signs, back and forth they went. Westhead, ever the diplomat, suggested using both hands. Kimble nixed that. He suggested left again, looked back a second time, and saw Westhead clearly mouth the word, "No."

Then, feeling a weight suddenly lifted, Bo Kimble shrugged. He squared his shoulders to the basket, smiled, spun the ball between his fingers once more and coolly dropped the free throw — right-handed.

Before that simple exchange, the temptation might have been to dismiss Loyola Marymount as a comet in this year's tournament, a team kept aloft by a high-octane mix of anger and grief and nervous ener-

gy in the wake of Gathers' sudden death.

The Lions, the perception went, were too undisciplined to avoid crash landing. They ran too much, took too many shots, gave up too many easy baskets, and now, compounding things, they were on too much of an emotional high.

But Bo knows — or at least Bo learned Sunday — the meaning of restraint. The nation's leading scorer got his points (37), but he also got his role right in a system that creates enough opportunities for everyone around him. And he got the ball to someone else when Michigan fixed its sights on him.

The Wolverines would have done as well to target Jeff Fryer, who lit up 11 of his 15 tries from 3-point land and contributed mightily to the most of the records set — most notably, most points by one team, most 3-point goals attempted and made.

"It has been a very emotional two weeks for us," Fryer said. "We were tired of taking it out on each other in practice.

"Whoever is next," he added, "be ready."

Lady Longhorns claim NCAA swim championship

By JACK KEEVER
AP Sports Writer
AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The string of six NCAA women's swimming championships by Coach Richard Quick of Stanford was broken by his former team, Texas.

The Longhorns' 9.5-point victory Saturday night was by the closest margin in the nine-year-old NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championship.

Texas won the meet on the final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay, with a time of 3:17.23. Stanford, which needed to beat Texas in the relay to win its second straight title, was third behind Florida.

Texas finished with 632 points, followed by Stanford

with 622.5 and Florida with 443.

Quick won five consecutive titles as Texas' coach, and his 1989 Stanford team beat Texas by 63.5 points.

Texas coach Mark Schubert said, "It's a great feeling, especially because it's such a team victory.

"When the meet is that close, and it comes down to the last relay and every last point counts, every kid that swam in the meet can feel part of it because they all contributed. And we knew that was what it was going to take."

"I have a tremendous amount of respect for Mark Schubert," Quick said. "He is a close friend of mine, and I recommended him for this job. And I feel good

about my recommendation."

In swimming, an eighth-place finish in an individual event counts 11 points, or more than the victory margin.

Four American records were set at the three-day meet, two by Stanford freshman Janet Evans of Placentia, Calif., one by Texas junior Leigh Ann Fetter of Louisville, Ky., and one by Florida's 200-yard medley relay team.

Evans, a three-time gold medalist at the 1988 Olympics, broke Tracy Caulkins' American record in the 500 freestyle in 4:34.39. The old record of 4:36.25 had stood for 11 years.

Evans swam the 1,650

freestyle in 15:39.14, erasing the American record she set last year by 5.84 seconds. She also broke Tracy Caulkins' 6-year-old NCAA record in the 400 individual medley by 16-hundredths of a second, 4:07.59.

Fetter broke her own American record in the 50 freestyle in 21.92 seconds. The old record of 22.05 was set in 1989, and this year's mark made Fetter the first woman to break 22 seconds.

Florida's 200 medley relay team set an American record of 1:40.05, breaking the record of 1:40.22, set by Stanford in 1986.

Texas outscored Stanford 53 to 32 in diving.

Pistons rout Mavericks to keep winning streak going

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Things are going exactly according to plan for the Detroit Pistons.

"We set a goal that we wanted to have the best record in the league and have the best defense," James Edwards said Sunday after a 114-84 romp over Dallas.

"That's what we're striving for. We're getting better and better every game."

The Pistons, who do indeed boast the NBA's best record and No. 1 defense, registered their 11th straight victory and 24th in 25 games by beating Dallas. It also made Detroit the first NBA team to win 50 games this season.

Edwards and Bill Laimbeer scored 16 points each to lead a balanced attack of Pistons in double figures and two with eight.

"We're looking to win

every game we play," Laimbeer said. "The only way we're going to lose is if somebody beats us. We won't beat ourselves.

"We have played three quality teams in our last three games and we beat them all handily."

Laimbeer grabbed 13 rebounds for the Pistons, who are 9-0 in March and have lost only once since Jan. 21. John Salley, Vinnie Johnson and Gerald Henderson scored 13 points each as Detroit moved 11/2 games ahead of the Lakers in the battle for the NBA's best record.

"Maybe we can call it the hunt for the purple and gold," joked Detroit coach Chuck Daly.

The Pistons were hardly tested by Dallas after an 11-1 run in the second quarter helped them build a 57-41 lead at halftime.

The Mavs scored the first three points of the second half to pull within 57-44, but Dennis Rodman scored four points during an 8-1 Detroit run that gave the Pistons a 65-45 lead with 6:31 left in the third quarter.

Dallas never got closer than 16 points the rest of the game.

"Basically, we executed our offense in the first half and set the tone," Daly said. "We did some real hard work in our low-post defense. We were not allowing open shots and we're not giving up many second shots."

Sam Perkins led Dallas with 18 points, all in the first half. Roy Tarpley and Derek Harper added 12 points apiece for the Mavs, who lost their fifth straight road game and seventh in a row on the road against Detroit.

"They're a very good bas-

ketball team," said Dallas guard Rolando Blackman. "We can't beat them when we play like we did tonight. Without consistency, we'll never beat teams like Detroit."

The Mavs' effort was dampened by poor shooting in the early stages. They missed 11 of their first 13 shots and were 5-for-20 in the first quarter.

The 84 points matched Dallas' third-lowest output of the season.

"They are the best defensive team in the NBA and they backed it up tonight," said Dallas coach Richie Adubato, a former Piston coach. "They are very aggressive and they shot well too.

"Awesome defense. Awesome. They are playing the best basketball in the league right now. You can't get anything easy on them."

Jared Cox was third in the 400 with a time of 54.99.

Perryton also won the boys' title, scoring 124 points.

White Deer's Jill Brown sizzles at Commanche Relays

STINNETT — White Deer's Jill Brown became the pacesetter in the 300 intermediate hurdles when she was clocked at 47.85 to take first in the Commanche Relays Saturday.

"As far as we know that's the fastest time in the state so far in Class A," said White Deer coach Doug Porter. "I know that's the fastest time in this area in all clas-

sifications. The Does finished sixth in the team standings with 34 points.

Brown also won the 100 hurdles with a time of 15.08 and came in second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.03.

Perryton scored 197 points to win the meet title.

In the boys' division, White

Deer was fifth with 62 points.

Ed Barrett won the 3200 (10:56) and Troy Cummins won the 110 high hurdles (15.15) for the Bucks.

Barrett came in second in the 1600 (5:13.18) while Cummins was second in the 300 hurdles (41.51), third in the triple jump

(19-2), second in the high jump (6-2) and third in the long jump (20-63/4).

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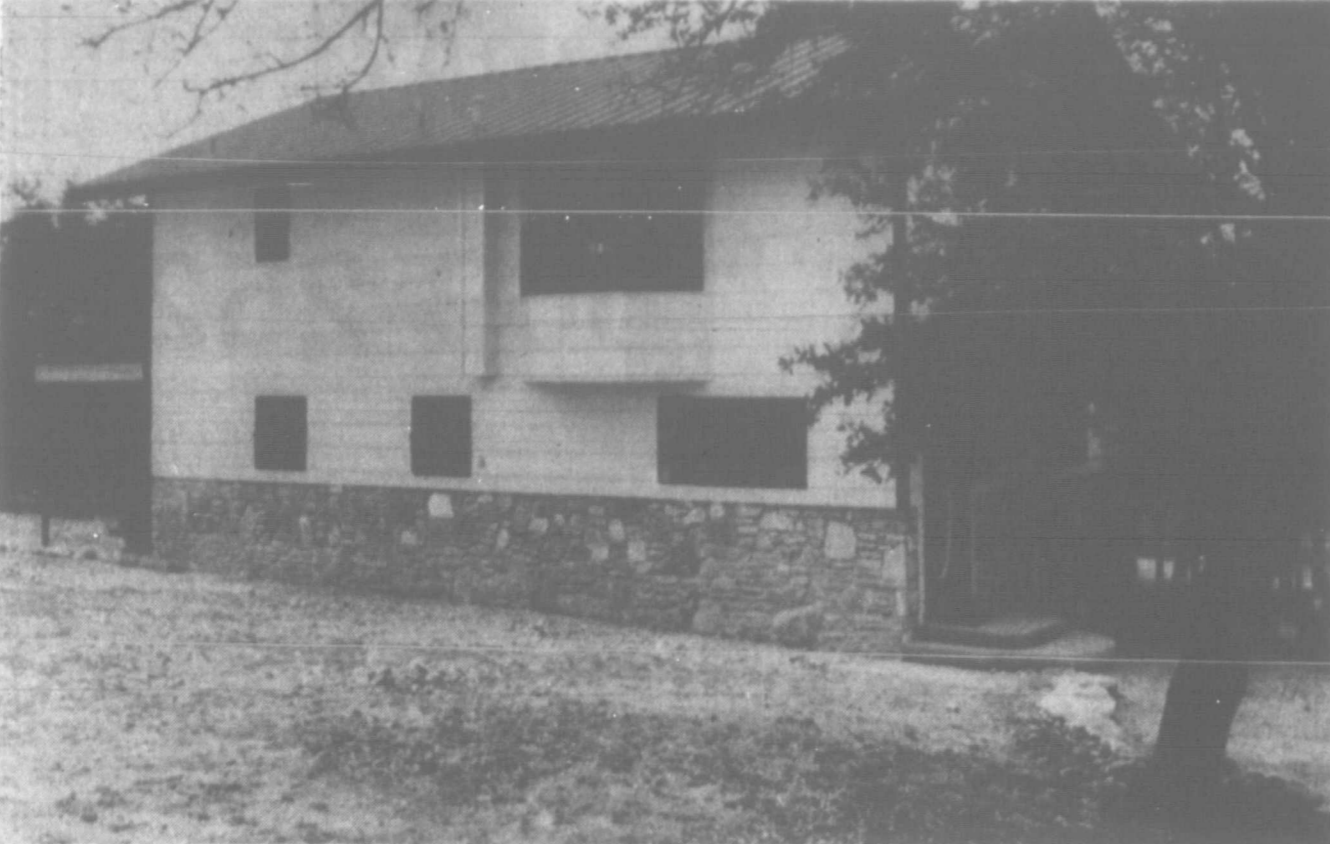
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This spacious, two-story country home was built by Bruce Parker overlooking an expanse of Parker land in Kimble County. Parker died of a gunshot wound last October on a dirt road that runs through the ranch.

He was glad to be back on the ranch, but feared his happiness wouldn't last

EDITOR'S NOTE — Despite problems of the past, Bruce Parker jumped at the chance to return to the Hill Country empire of his pioneer ranching family. Linda Parker recalls those happy days but remembers also her husband's fear that the happiness might be short-lived. This installment of "Scarlet Bloodline," the story of the Parker family's violent legacy, focuses on the events preceding Bruce's mysterious death.

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer

HARPER, Texas (AP) — A carpenter by profession but a cowboy by preference, Bruce Parker looked and lived the part of a young man born and raised on a sprawling Texas ranch.

Darkly handsome, hard working and easy going, Parker rarely dressed in anything other than boots, jeans, western shirts and cowboy hats, whether on a horse in Harper or a beach in the Bahamas.

He loved animals, rodeos and C&W dances, said his widow Linda, then and now an employe of the state hospital at Kerrville and chairman of a state council on disabilities.

"He laughed a lot and made other people laugh a lot," she said. "There was no fluff to Bruce. What he thought was what he said."

He was an avid hunter, both with guns and bow and arrow, and trophy animals would one day decorate the home he built on his own Parker land.

Only 19 when his father died and his family was cast out by a feud among relatives, Bruce bounced from place to place and worked at an assortment of jobs. However, he never referred to anywhere but Kimble County as home.

"It wasn't that the land was so important, but this is where his home was," Linda said. "Being away was like a great big empty hole in him."

Linda and Bruce were married in 1983, both for the second time, and it would be a good marriage if hardly an idyllic one.

"We did have hellacious arguments," she smiled.

Not long after the wedding, Bruce took his auburn-haired wife out for a horseback tour of the ranch. Stopping atop a hill, he looked out across the land and said:

"As far as you can see, looking in any direction, all this property belonged to my great-granddaddy."

That, she said, "was the sense of freedom he missed."

As fate would have it, Jess Parker, the family patriarch known as "Big Daddy," bequeathed a parcel of land to his grandchildren at his death in 1986.

It was this property that brought young Bruce scurrying back into the family fold.

Probate records show "Big Daddy's" estate valued well in excess of \$1 million.

In the fall of 1986, just a short time after receiving his inheritance, Bruce returned to the ranch and again guided Linda to a hilltop, one guarded by cedar and scrub oak and commanding a regal view of the countryside below.

To her surprise, he produced blueprints for a two-story home.

"How would you like a house

like this built right here?" she recalled him asking, her green eyes becoming misty.

"I remember telling him I would never love him as much as I did at that moment."

Bruce himself built the house, a spacious, two-story country home constructed in part with native rock, not unlike what his great-grandfather used more than a century ago at the "Old Ranch."

Each room was designed with a view of the countryside, and the upstairs master bedroom and deck looked out over an expanse of Parker land that was not much changed from the day pioneers Jim and Tildy Parker arrived in the early 1870s.

"Bruce was a perfectionist when it came to his work," Linda said. "He could do everything. His father was like that. His dad was very creative."

Other than a windmill, the only signs of civilization evident from Bruce and Linda's house were an antenna and a mobile home so far in the distance that they were barely distinguishable.

"Bruce would get up every morning and fuss because it was getting too crowded," Linda said.

The couple drank coffee and watched their horses graze, sometimes catching glimpses of wildlife foraging for an early morning meal. It was one such morning, Linda remembered, that Bruce made an unusual statement.

"I am so happy," he said, "I'm afraid somebody's going to come and take this away."

"Nobody can take this away from you," she replied. "It's yours."

Despite a stormy marriage and divorce from his first wife, Bruce remained close to his two sons, Bart, the 24-year-old whom he raised, and Ben, now 13, who lives with his ex-spouse.

In both good times and bad, Linda said, "Bruce was always very proud to be a Parker."

They are an extraordinary and strong-willed family, she said.

"They are wonderful, honest, hard-working people. Very much Old West, Big Ranch. There is nothing superficial about them. They work hard. They play hard."

"They're either for you or against you," she added pointedly. "There is no in-between."

"Maybe they do things differently than you and I, but they live in a different world. They've had some difficulties. It's a huge family. Just because one person did something wrong, it doesn't make them all bad."

Most of the Parkers were supportive after Bruce's death, she said.

On that fateful weekend last October, the couple attended a Friday night football game at Harper High School, where Bruce once played quarterback. With them was Bandit, their half cocker, half poodle.

The next day, Bruce and son

Bart attended a gun show in Fredericksburg with two of Bart's friends.

Bruce also spent much of the weekend working on a hunting cabin and setting out feed at deer blinds on his Uncle Raymond's ranch, where he had leased the hunting and fishing rights.

He drove along Little Devil's River, where years ago the Parker clan would gather under shade trees across from Big Rock to cook and sing and dance to live music, often until dawn.

In those days, the men would barbecue steers and goats in pits at the river's edge while the women set picnic tables laden with food and the kids played games and splashed about in the water.

On a lesser scale, the family reunions continued at Big Rock up until "Big Daddy's" death.

"This was Bruce's favorite spot in the whole world," Linda said.

If anyone knows who or what lured Bruce Parker to the bluff above Big Rock that Sunday last fall, they have not said so publicly.

There was no hint of trouble, Linda said, but she remembered an unrelated but unusual occurrence the night before.

"Bruce was never cold," she said, "but he woke up three times during the night and said he was cold."

Scarlet Bloodline

When he didn't mention it the next morning, she forgot about it.

"He was in a good mood all day Sunday. I don't think anything was bothering him."

She said she knew of no recent falling out between Bruce and any of his relatives. If there had been renewed friction, she maintained, "I think we would have known it."

Linda probably was at church when Bruce dropped by Dauna's, a gas station and convenience store and Harper's favorite spot for cold beer, hot coffee and current country gossip.

There, by coincidence, he ran into his friend, sheriff's deputy Bill Beard.

After church, Linda met Bruce and tried to persuade him to stay in town for lunch.

"I've got to put some oats in the ground," he said. "It looks like rain."

She last saw her husband alive down at the camphouse where he was working that afternoon. As Linda left on an errand, he turned and looked at her, glanced downward and said: "Be careful."

When she returned from her errand, he was gone.

Next: The conclusion of Scarlet Bloodline, Part III: "Suspicion."

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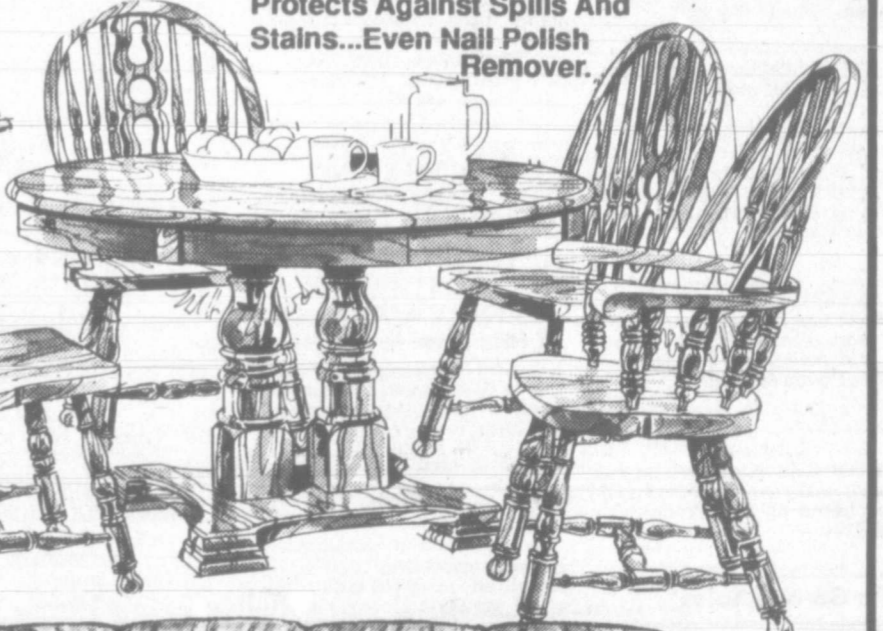
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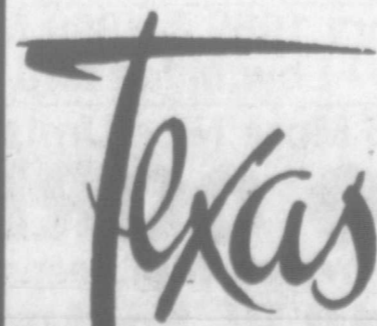
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