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**GOODWELL, Okla. (AP)** — A 22-year-old Colorado man was killed when his pickup truck collided with a train in Oklahoma's Texas County.

Kevin Thomas Wood of Campo, Colorado was dead at the scene of the accident Monday night on a county road west of Goodwell, the Oklahoma Highway Patrol said.

Wood was pinned in the wreckage for 45 minutes after his truck ran into the 52nd car of a Southern Pacific train at a crossing.

Cody Allen, 21, of Perryton, Texas, was hospitalized in stable condition in Guymon. He was a passenger in Wood's truck.

Neither man was wearing a seat belt, troopers said.



**PAMPA** -- At least six fire units from Pampa and Skellytown joined graders and law enforcement officers fighting a grass fire at noon today west of Pampa near the Hoechst Celanese plant. (Pampa News photo by Randal McGavock)

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Moderate Democrats are joining a conservative push to cut off welfare benefits to immigrants as a way to free up money for another welfare priority — helping single mothers escape a life of poverty.

Few issues are as emotionally and politically volatile. But hard economic times, the search for dollars to finance welfare reform and examples of immigrants defrauding the system have pushed the question to the fore and divided Democrats.

The party's liberal supporters say even the suggestion that immigrants are taking advantage of the system "panders to xenophobia." They warn that cuts in benefits threaten the health of elderly or disabled immigrants and that cash-strapped states would object to picking up those costs.

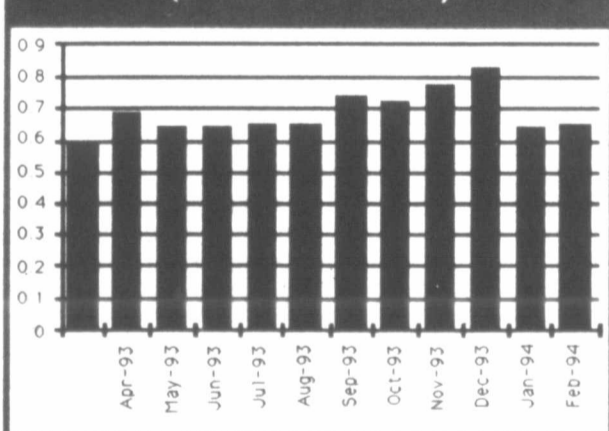
But moderate and conservative Democrats are now joining 162 House Republicans in supporting a plan to raise more than \$21 billion by denying welfare to the mushrooming numbers of immigrants on the rolls.

**LONDON (AP)** — More than 100 Africans and Asians seeking political asylum in Britain are refusing food in hopes the government will end their imprisonment.

Many of the hunger-strikers, in nine detention centers and prisons throughout England, have refused to eat since March 11. Some pledge to fast to the death rather than be sent back to countries where they say torture or assassination awaits them.

The protests have highlighted the way Britain handles its illegal immigrants, hundreds of whom remain locked up while officials decide whether to deport them or grant them political refugee status.

### New home sales (millions of units)



**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Sales of new homes edged up 1.9 percent in February, regaining only part of the largest decline in record a month earlier, the government said today. The West posted the only gain. The Departments of Commerce and Housing and Urban Development said sales totaled 649,000 at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, up from a revised 637,000 in January.

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## Last minute IRS change means higher deductions for some home buyers

By DAVE SKIDMORE  
Associated Press Writer

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — In a last-minute change affecting potentially millions of home buyers, the IRS is expanding the deductibility of "points" paid on mortgages.

The retroactive change, announced Monday with less than three weeks left in the current filing season, means people

who bought homes in 1991, 1992 and 1993 could reap hundreds of dollars by filing amended returns.

Points — each equal to 1 percent of the loan — often are charged as fees by mortgage lenders. Until now, the Internal Revenue Service allowed home purchasers to deduct only the points they paid.

Often, home sellers paid all or part of the points on the buyers'

behalf but buyers were not allowed to deduct those. Usually, the sellers simply raised the price of their home by an amount equal to the points they paid.

In effect, sellers acted as middlemen between the buyer and lender. The practice disadvantaged buyers by reducing their tax deduction but it helped them by reducing their closing costs.

Effective immediately, buyers will be able to deduct all of the points.

"We looked at the transactions and decided there was no difference between the seller paying points and the purchaser paying points," IRS spokesman Wilson Fadley said.

Here's an example of how the change will work:

**OLD RULE:** The Smiths buy a house from the Joneses and borrow \$100,000 from a bank to pay for it. In addition to the mortgage interest, the bank

charges three "points" — or \$3,000 — as a loan origination fee. The Smiths and Jones agree to split the points evenly. The Smiths then deduct \$1,500 from their income on their tax return.

**NEW RULE:** Under the same set of facts, the Smiths will be able to deduct \$3,000 — the \$1,500 they paid and the \$1,500 the Joneses paid.

The change affects homes purchased after Dec. 31, 1990.

## Emergency generators come on line



David Sims hooks up the generator for Pampa's emergency services.

By JEFF CARRUTH  
Staff Writer

Pampa area residents have a more secure way of getting severe weather information thanks to an effort by the Community Awareness and Emergency Response program and several area businesses.

After several years of planning and fund raising, three electrical generators are now in place at City Hall, KGRO-KOMX studios and at the radio stations' transmitter site northeast of the city.

Technicians completed installation and tested the units for the radio station Wednesday.

The generators will ensure the radio station and city officials can communicate with the public during an emergency in the event

of an electrical outage.

"We have (the generators) for all kinds of emergencies, but we primarily equate them with thunderstorms and blizzards," said KGRO-KOMX general manager and meteorologist Darrell Schorn.

The generators will power city communication equipment and put KGRO-AM on the air when electricity is lost.

Plans call for adding another generator to power KOMX-FM's transmitter or to install a backup, low-wattage transmitter at the studios for the FM station.

Pampa Emergency Management Coordinator Ken Hall said the move to raise funds and purchase the generators began in 1984 with the CAER committee, planners from government and

industry representatives.

Technical difficulties and changes in civil defense administration helped delay final completion of the project following the purchase of generators several years ago.

The generator at KGRO is turned on manually while the one at the transmitter turns on automatically following a power loss.

"That's important, especially in a blizzard when you can't even get there," Schorn said.

Fuel at the transmitter can power the equipment for up to two days.

Hall said the city will soon reestablish a direct civil defense radio link with KGRO. Schorn hopes to have a data link with NEXRAD radar in Amarillo next year.

## Commission to discuss space

A lack of space to provide adequate service has prompted Texas Department of Health representatives to request a meeting with the Gray County Commissioners Court, said Suzanne Presson, field office coordinator for TDH.

Four representatives of the Texas Department of Health are scheduled to address Gray County commissioners at 1: a.m. Thursday during the court's regular session. Expected to be on hand for discussions about Lake McClellan are Bryce McGregor, assistant regional director for administration; Tommy Snell, community liaison; Sharon Mallory, area coordinator for Region I from Dalhart, and Presson.

"We are walking all over each other — the patients, the nurses, the children that come," Presson said.

The health agency is trying to obtain enough to share with Department of Human Services to improve convenience to the clients they share, Presson said.

No specific location has been selected, she said, but the TDH panel is asking for commission backing to seek appropriate office space.

The local health office sees about 1,000 clients monthly through immunization, well baby and maternity clinics, and for sexually transmitted disease and HIV testing.

The commissioners, who will open their meeting at 9 a.m. in Gray County Courthouse, will consider a 14-item agenda.

Expected to be on hand for discussions about Lake McClellan are representatives of the U.S. Forest Service. Commissioners will hear from the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department about fire runs and funding at 10:30 a.m. An auditor's report for the Juvenile Probation Department is also to be presented to the court.

Other items include reports about runway painting at Perry Lefors Field and completion of the jail removal project plus employee reimbursement for losses during the job. The commission also plans to discuss seal coating on the county's portion of Browning Street.

## Palestinians expected to go ahead with talks

**CAIRO, Egypt (AP)** — Israeli negotiators arrived today to resume talks with the PLO despite renewed Palestinian anger over slayings of six PLO activists by the Israeli army in the occupied Gaza Strip.

PLO leader Yasser Arafat threatened to scrap the session after Monday's shootings, but Palestinian sources here said the talks would go ahead. Israeli delegates left for Cairo only after talking by telephone with PLO negotiators.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted PLO official Farouk Kaddoumi as saying any talks would be limited to plans for protecting Palestinians after last month's massacre at a Hebron mosque killed 30 Arab worshippers.

Negotiators met here last week and agreed to resume talks today. But Arafat called an emergency session today in Tunisia, Tunisia, to discuss whether to go ahead with the session in Cairo.

Those killed were members of the Fatah "Hawks," a unit from Arafat's faction of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Israel's army said the Gaza victims refused orders to halt and at least two were armed.

## Looking for Nessie



A submarine took a trial run in Loch Ness today. The vessel will take passengers for an hour-long voyage in the Scottish lake, home of the legendary Loch Ness Monster, for about \$102 beginning April 1. (AP Photo)

## Hoechst Celanese to hold Pampa planning session

Hoechst Celanese, in what the company describes as a move to ensure the Pampa chemical plant's "competitive viability well into the next century," will hold an employee meeting Wednesday in M.K. Brown to kick off the "Pampa 99" program.

The objectives of "Pampa 99" are to describe how the plant will operate in 1999, set year-by-year goals and identify barriers to achieve desired results.

Pampa plant manager Jerry Moore said in a prepared statement today that, contrary to rumors, there are no plans to shut down the Pampa facility.

"We are conducting this broad-based planning exer-

cise to make sure we do not have to reduce operations here in the future," Moore said.

Approximately 100 employees are expected to attend Wednesday's meeting. Company officials hope to determine the plant's need for change and to create an understanding of the future of the chemical commodity market.

Officials with the Hoechst Celanese said today that Wednesday's meeting would begin with a continental breakfast about 7:30 a.m.

The plant's management team expects to complete the "Pampa 99" review by this fall, company officials said.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**FARLEY, Sarah Louise** — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Groom.  
**O'LOUGHLIN, Mary Ellen** — 10 a.m., St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Panhandle; graveside, 1 p.m., Miami Cemetery, Miami.

## Obituaries

**SARAH LOUISE FARLEY**  
GROOM — Sarah Louise Farley, 75, died Monday, March 28, 1994 in Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Steve Campbell, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church of Amarillo, and the Rev. Mark Metzger, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Groom Cemetery by Carmichael-Whalley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Farley was born in Big Sandy and had lived in Groom from 1972 to 1989. She married Daniel H. Farley on Nov. 25, 1956 at Raton, N.M. They lived in Pampa from 1957 to 1966. She and her husband lived in Kuwait for three years while he worked with an oil company. They returned to Odessa in 1970. She moved from Groom to Granbury in 1989. She was a member of the First United Methodist church.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Nancy Hilliard of Flower Mound, Jean Collard of Austin and Ann Burke of Streatham, N.H.; two sons, Ben Collard of Granville, Ohio, and Daniel H. Farley Jr. of Weatherford; a sister, Beuna Barber of Garland; and seven grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center in Amarillo.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 7 to 8 p.m. today.

**JAMES EMMITT McCATHERN SR.**

HEREFORD — James Emmitt McCathern Sr., 97, a former Pampa resident, died Friday, March 25, 1994. Services were held Monday in the Rose Chapel of the Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home in Hereford. Burial was in West Park Cemetery.

Mr. McCathern was born Dec. 22, 1896 in Pottawatomie County, Okla. He served in the U.S. Army from Aug. 28, 1918 to Sept. 4, 1918 in World War I. He married Mae Cleveland on Jan. 6, 1920. She preceded him in death on Aug. 13, 1976. He married Louise Browning on March 14, 1978 in Aransas Pass. He moved to Deaf Smith County from Pampa in 1947. He was a welder and farmer. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Louise, of the home; two sons, J.E. McCathern Jr. and Gerald McCathern, both of Hereford; a daughter, Peggy Lillard of Borger; two stepsons, Kenneth Browning of Washington state and Fred Browning of Hobbs, N.M.; two stepdaughters, Georgia Johnson of Pampa and Joy Hurst of Stillwater, Okla.; two brothers, Andrew McCathern of Hereford and Rufus McCathern of Pampa; three sisters, Cleo Ferguson and Teba Pflies, both of Pampa, and Gladys Myers of Exeter, Calif.; eight grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

## Hospital

<b>CORONADO HOSPITAL</b> Admissions Pampa Carol Marie Dout Mudge C. Hankins Claudie Francis Tennison Johnny Dea Williams Panhandle Jerusha Lena Burum Skellytown Clesta Hayworth (extended care) Dismissals Pampa Cluadie F. Tennison (extended care)	<b>Amarillo</b> Fulton baby girl <b>Canadian</b> Marilyn Gale Smith and baby girl <b>Skellytown</b> Clesta Hayworth <b>White Deer</b> Ada Myrl Doty (rehab)	<b>SHAMROCK HOSPITAL</b> Admission Shamrock Ella Mae Daberry Dismissal Shamrock Orbie Offutt
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## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today. No arrests were reported.

- MONDAY, March 28**  
Alco, 1207 N. Hobart, reported theft \$20-\$200.  
Homer Jones, 412 N. Somerville, reported theft at Tarbox Apts., 412 N. Somerville.  
Lillian Thomason, 1908 Beech, reported theft of U.S. mail.

## Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today. No arrests were reported.

- MONDAY, March 28**  
Colin D. Lock, Lefors, reported telephone harassment.

## Fires

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

## Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no accidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

## Court report

**COUNTY COURT**  
**Marriage licenses issued**  
Phillip Dean Bowles and Connie Irene Rawlings  
John Martinez-Castillo Jr. and Lisa Ann Cortez  
Kelly Dale Balay and Margaret Luella Smith  
Ricky Lynn Brewer and Brandi Carol Walker  
John Russell Norris and Angela Diane Haddock  
Timothy Aaron Johnson and Catherine Machelche Beard  
Michael Edward Phillips and Loueen Flowers  
Kent Leslie Fields and Sandy Elaine Attwood  
**Criminal**

An order was entered to revoke the probation and order the arrest of Timothy Dale Prichard because he was arrested March 17, 1994 on a charge of driving while intoxicated, breath test refusal, subsequent offense; failed to report to the probation department and is delinquent on fines, court costs and probation fees.

Donna Baker Howard pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. She was assessed \$350 fine, one year probation, \$210 court costs and restitution to Department of Public Safety of \$140 for lab fees.

Mark Edwin Trevathan pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated, second offense. He was assessed \$450 fine, two years probation, 72 hours in Gray County jail, and 180 days suspension of driver's license and \$210 court costs.

Floyd Gene Morris, pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated, second offense. He was assessed \$450 fine, \$210 court costs, 72 hours in Gray County jail and two years probation.

Toni Martin pleaded guilty to theft by check \$20-\$200. She was assessed \$100 fine, six months probation, \$165 court costs and restitution of \$172.72.

Jana E. Turlington pleaded guilty to theft by check \$20-\$200. She was assessed \$100 fine, six months probation, \$165 court costs and \$236.54 restitution.

Jason Alton Carlson pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. He was assessed \$300 fine, two years probation, \$210 court costs.

An order was entered amending the probation of Salvador Rodriguez. It was extended to Sept. 9, 1994.

An order was entered to dismiss a charge of theft of property by check against George T. Reames Jr. because restitution was made and court costs paid.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of making alcohol available to a minor against Donald Allen Harris III because the evidence is insufficient.

An order was entered to terminate the probation of Detry Dee James.

An order was entered to revoke misdemeanor probation of Derrick Wayne Blackman because he failed to report to the probation office and is delinquent on court costs, fine, probation fees and restitution. He was ordered to spend 15 days in jail with credit for time served.

Juan Carlos Zubia Castillo pleaded guilty to criminal trespass. He was assessed \$1,500 fine, six months probation and \$165 court costs.

**DISTRICT COURT**  
**Divorces**  
Jacklyn Faye Morgan and Anthony S. Morgan  
Brandy Martinez and Alfred Martinez  
Adres Soto Vasquez and Ernestina Martinez Torres  
Lloyd Ray Bybee and Mary Evelyn Bybee  
Gerry Sannwald and Olaf Sannwald  
Lori Ann Brown and James Michael Brown  
**Civil**

First National Bank of Pampa vs. H.R. Jeter, suit on note  
Tyra Nickell and Odie Nickell, individually and as next friends of Lindsey Nickell, a minor, vs. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co., damages auto

Ted Cain and Bobbie Cain, individually and as next friends of Chelsea Rachele Cain, a minor, vs. Patricia Sanders, damages auto

**Criminal**  
An order was entered discharging C.L. Winborne from probation.  
An order was entered stating that the surety bond of \$10,000 for Tetta Etta Brown is sufficient.  
An order was entered dismissing a motion to revoke the probation of Nicholas Marcell Prentice

An order was entered to dismiss a charge of burglary of a building against Juan Carlos Zubia Castillo because he was convicted in another case.

Tracy Lynn Morris pleaded guilty to burglary of a vehicle. She was assessed six years probation, restitution of \$12 and 100 hours of community service.

Gloria Romero pleaded guilty to tampering with a government record. She was assessed \$250 fine, three years probation, \$900 in court-appointed attorney fees, 100 community service hours and \$1825 restitution.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of theft \$750-\$20,000 against Harry Anthony DeHosse because the case has been refiled.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of unlawful delivery of marijuana against Michael Phillip Haddock because the evidence was insufficient.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat.....	3.10	
Milo.....	4.45	
Corn.....	5.06	

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Serico.....	4	dn 1/4
Occidental.....	17 1/4	NC
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		
Magellan.....	72.10	
Puritan.....	15.87	

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco.....	54	dn 3/8
Aroco.....	97 7/8	dn 1/8
Cabot.....	55 3/4	up 3/8
Cabot O&G.....	21 1/8	up 1/8
Chevron.....	87 3/4	dn 1/2
Coca-Cola.....	42 1/8	NC
Diamond Sham.....	27 3/8	NC
Enron.....	30 3/4	dn 1/4
Halliburton.....	30 1/2	dn 1/2
HealthTrust Inc.....	31 1/4	dn 1/2
Ingersoll Rand.....	38 1/2	dn 1/4
KNE.....	23	dn 1/4
Ker McGee.....	44 3/4	dn 1/4
Limited.....	21 3/8	dn 1/4
Mapco.....	61	up 1/8
Maxus.....	4 5/8	dn 1/8
McDonald's.....	58 1/4	dn 1/2
Mobil.....	78	up 1/2
New Atmos.....	29 1/8	up 1/8
Parker & Parsley.....	21 7/8	dn 1/4
Phillips.....	54 1/8	dn 1
Phillips.....	28 1/8	dn 1/8
SLB.....	54 7/8	dn 1/8
SPS.....	28 3/4	dn 1/4
Tenneco.....	53 3/4	dn 1/2
Texasco.....	64 1/2	dn 1/4
Wal-Mart.....	27	dn 1/8
West Texas Crude.....	387.30	dn 1/4
Silver.....	5.69	
West Texas Crude.....	14.10	

# Federal auditors find wide disparity in treatment of claims for Medicare

By **LAURAN NEERGAARD**  
Associated Press Writer

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Where elderly Americans live may determine whether Medicare pays their doctor bills, government auditors told Congress today.

There are huge geographic disparities in claims rejected for medical reasons by the insurance carriers that handle Medicare, their report showed. For example, women in southern California are 180 times more likely to have Medicare deny payment for a mammogram than those in northern California.

A Wisconsin resident is almost 10 times as likely to have a chiropractic bill paid than a North Carolina one. Illinois residents always get reimbursed for ambulance trips to a hospital, but Southern California residents are 740 times more likely to have such a claim rejected.

"Medicare is not a local initiative. It is a national program under which beneficiaries should not receive different benefits solely because their place of residence differs," auditor Eleanor Chelimsky told the House Small Business subcommittee on regulation.

Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., who chairs the subcommittee, complained that the Health Care Financing Administration, which oversees Medicare, isn't doing its job. HCFA has only just begun investigating the disparities in claims rejections, although Chelimsky said the agency has known about them for some time.

Wyden added that fining insurance companies whose frequent

denials are overturned on appeal might be an answer.

And he warned that Medicare's problems pose a barrier to national health care reform. "Enactment of a national standard benefits package for all Americans will not be enough to ensure uniform coverage of health care for all Americans," he said.

Medicare uses 34 independent carriers — private insurers and Blue Shield plans in many cases — to process the 576 million Medicare Part B claims from doctors, labs and other medical suppliers.

Last year 119 million claims, or 19 percent, were rejected in whole or part. Most were for "clear-cut administrative reasons such as a doctor and a lab filing duplicate claims, or a claim being made for a service not covered under Medicare."

Nine percent were denied because the carrier deemed the service not medically necessary.

Medicare refused to pay when John Janousek's urologist ordered a \$300 echogram last year to see if his enlarged prostate had changed since 1991.

"He's in a better position to judge what his medical needs are rather than some bureaucrat," said Janousek, a 74-year-old retired chemical engineer from Nutley, N.J. "Their experts felt there was no need for this test."

Katy Samiljan, who directs a hot line for the Medicare Beneficiaries Defense Fund of New York, said arbitrary claim denials are "the single most intractable problem facing seniors and people with disabilities

on Medicare." She said there was "no good reason" for the wide disparity in medical denials.

The General Accounting Office, Congress' investigative arm, looked at denial rates at six regional Medicare carriers, focusing on 71 of the most costly and most commonly used services paid for by Medicare. The GAO found significant differences in denial rates for 58 of them.

For echocardiograms, denials on grounds they were not medically necessary were 140 per 1,000 in Southern California, 4.1 per 1,000 in Northern California, 1.5 per 1,000 in Wisconsin, 1.2 per 1,000 in North Carolina and zero in South Carolina and Illinois.

Illinois rejected 103 of every 1,000 claims for chest X-rays, Southern California rejected 12 and the rest denied fewer than one in every 1,000.

Medicare law recognizes differences in local medical practices and gives the carriers "broad latitude in defining the criteria for medical necessity," auditor Chelimsky said.

Federal officials and insurers told the GAO that one possible explanation was that fraud and abuse runs higher in certain parts of the country, which in turn leads to higher denial rates.

But that wasn't enough to explain the huge disparities, Chelimsky said.

The six carriers examined in the GAO study were: California Blue Shield, California Occidental, Illinois Blue Shield, Wisconsin Physician Services, North Carolina-Connecticut General, and South Carolina Blue Shield.

# Man sustained self for two days on Girl Scout cookies

By **KATHERINE SHELLEY**  
Associated Press Writer

**ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP)** — He had eaten his only sandwich, smoked his last cigarette and munched his last Girl Scout cookie, so horseman Bill Flatt was glad to get home from the range where he was trapped by a two-day snowstorm.

Flatt, 48, rode his horse to safety Monday after being holed up in an abandoned cabin in snow-covered mountains near Ocate since Saturday, when he said he was caught by the storm around 1 p.m.

"I started rationing everything," said Flatt, reached Monday night at his home in Springer, in northeastern New Mexico. "I knew I was in trouble. I had the sandwich at about 10 p.m. (Saturday) and a cookie or two twice a day and the last of them this morning."

"I started smoking one cigarette every two hours, ended up smoking one every three hours and ran out at five this morning."

He said he had brought several Girl

Scout cookies with him as part of his lunch for Saturday, and they lasted until he left the cabin Monday morning.

Flatt, just beginning as a rancher, said the storm hit while he was looking at grazing land he hoped to lease this summer.

"It was a beautiful day when I left," he said. "But at about noon, it started to snow real bad. By 1 p.m., the visibility was real bad."

The man who gave him directions had mentioned the old cabin as a landmark, so he headed there, bundling up in extra clothing he had brought along, including a wool shirt, two jackets — one padded with goose down — and two pair of gloves.

The three-room cabin was rotting, the roof collapsing, and seemed abandoned for decades. Fortunately, it had half a wood-burning stove.

"I was lucky to find the cabin," Flatt said. "It wasn't much of a cabin, no doors, no windows. ... But I managed to block the doors and window of one room and ... started a fire."

He used wood from other parts of

the building to block the openings to the room and to burn in the stove. But he said he couldn't sleep because he kept worrying he might burn the place down.

"I'd rub my hand under the stove to make sure the wood (floor) wasn't getting too hot," he said.

The strain took its toll. "I was getting weaker today," Flatt said. "It was getting harder to break up the wood into pieces small enough to fit in the stove."

When the storm lifted around 9 a.m. Monday, he and his horse headed out from the cabin, but they still had to contend with four-foot snowdrifts en route home. About 18 inches of snow, not counting drifts, had fallen in the area by late Sunday.

"I didn't think the horse would make it as deep as the snow was today," Flatt said.

But the snow got shallower and they got to the rescue base camp at the Stanley Ranch around 11 a.m.

About 25 people had participated in the search, working on foot and with snowmobiles through the weekend.

# Kevorkian will aid suicide in Michigan if woman isn't helped

**SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (AP)** — Several doctors volunteered to help a severely arthritic woman whose suffering prompted Dr. Jack Kevorkian to threaten to resume assisted suicides, Kevorkian's lawyer said today.

Even her own doctor said he would make a house call.

Through lawyer Geoffrey Fieger, Kevorkian on Monday said he might go back on his word and help the woman kill herself unless a doctor provides her with

stronger painkillers.

To get out of jail in December, Kevorkian promised a judge not to help others kill themselves until an appeals court rules on the constitutionality of Michigan's ban on assisted suicide.

# City briefs

**BRICK REPAIR**, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

**MOW AND EDGE YARDS**. Call Rudy Jenkins 665-8397. Adv.

**AMMUNITION FOR SALE**: For information call 669-0479. Adv.

**COME JOIN THE FUN** at the MS Rally, March 31st at 7 p.m. at Malcolm Hinkle Inc. (The Super Cities Walk) to be held April 9 in Canadian. For more information, 665-1841. Adv.

**CONSOLE PIANO** \$600. 665-7400. Adv.

**CAJUN FOOD**, Wednesday 30th, 6-9 p.m. Hamburger Station. Adv.

**JOY'S UNLIMITED** has received new shipment of root candles. Adv.

**LET US** make your Easter special with our delicious candy and our basket stuffers. We also stuff balloons with Easter treats!! Celebrations Party & Gift Shop, next to Watson's, 665-3100. Phone in orders welcome! Visa/Mastercard accepted. Adv.

**MOM N ME** is now located at 318 W. Foster. Come in this week to see our new shop. Located 1 1/2 blocks east of the Post Office. Regular hours, Wednesday-Saturday, noon-5:30, 665-7132. Adv.

**FOR SALE**: Blue Mastercraft sofa, blue velvet swivel rocker, both in excellent condition. 669-9837. Adv.

**LOST 3 month old Brown Goat**. Call 665-5513, 665-6476. Adv.

**OPENING SOON** More Precious Heirlooms, 301 W. Foster. Booth space available for crafters and antiques. 669-7851. Adv.

**OLD BUT WORKING** refrigerator \$70, apartment size gas stove \$40. 669-6707 leave message. Adv.

**FRIDAY NIGHT** delivery at Kevin's Catering: Southern Baked Ham, \$6.25. 669-1428 after 4 p.m. thru Thursday night. Adv.

**OUR GREENHOUSE** is over stocked with perennial and annual bedding plants, roses, groundcovers and more. Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

**1015Y TEXAS Super Sweet**, Bermuda and Vidalea sweet onion sets, available at Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

# Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**

Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold with a low in the mid 20s and northeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday, decreasing clouds in the morning, then sunny in the afternoon, and warmer conditions with a high in the lower 50s and winds becoming south to southwest 10 to 20 mph by afternoon. Monday's high was 57; this morning's low was 33.

**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. Lows in mid 20s. Wednesday, decreasing clouds in the morning. Mostly sunny by afternoon. Highs from low to mid 50s. Wednesday night, fair. Lows in low 30s. South Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in low 30s. Wednesday, decreasing cloudiness. Highs in mid 50s. Wednesday night, fair. Lows in mid 30s.

North Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy with lows in mid 30s northwest to low 40s southeast. Wednesday, decreasing cloudiness and cool with highs in mid 50s northwest to low 60s southeast. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in mid 30s to low 40s.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly clear and not as cold. Lows in upper 30s to near 40 Hill Country, 40s south central. Wednesday, partly cloudy and cooler. Highs in the 60s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Coastal Bend: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 50s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy and cooler. Lows in the 40s inland, 50s coast. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 50s inland to near 60 coast. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s to near 80. Wednesday

night, partly cloudy and cooler. Lows in the 40s and 50s.

**BORDER STATES**  
New Mexico — Tonight, mostly cloudy northeast with widely scattered snow showers mainly eastern slopes north central mountains, partly cloudy elsewhere. Lows 20s and 30s north and east to near 40 southwest. Wednesday, partly cloudy east and increasing high clouds west. Cooler southeast, not as cold northeast. Highs 50s and 60s north and east to near 70 lower elevations southwest. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows 20s to mid 30s mountains and north with 30s to low 40s lower elevations south.

Oklahoma — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows from low 20s in northwest Oklahoma to mid 30s in southeast Oklahoma. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs mostly from 49 to 56. Wednesday night, mostly clear and cold. Lows from upper 20s to mid 30s.

# Businessmen enter guilty pleas in NASA sting case

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Two businessmen and the Houston-area NASA contractor they represent have pleaded guilty to charges of soliciting and accepting inside information on a \$3.3 million government contract.

Douglas B. Shaffer, president of Astro International Corp., and Kenneth E. Smith, the company's direc-

tor of NASA programs, entered their pleas on Monday. They each face up to a year in prison and a \$100,000 fine.

The League City company also pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Kenneth Hoyt and could be assessed fines up to \$500,000.

Shaffer and Smith were accused of asking an FBI undercover agent

posing as a corrupt businessman to provide information that would have helped win a space agency contract. In return, prosecutors said, the company promised future subcontracts.

A third Astro official, Lawrence F.A. Stevenson, pleaded guilty to the scheme two weeks ago. Sentencing for Astro and its officers was set for June 20.

# Leading presidential candidate withdraws from race in Mexico

By BILL CORMIER  
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP) — One of two leading contenders withdrew today as a candidate for president of Mexico, appearing to throw the race to former Education Secretary Ernesto Zedillo, a Yale-educated economist.

Fernando Ortiz Arana, chairman of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, said in a televised news conference that he did not want to replace Luis Donaldo Colosio, the assassinated presidential candidate of the party that has ruled Mexico for 65 years.

Ortiz Arana's withdrawal appears to leave Zedillo, 43, as the strong favorite for the nomination of the governing party, which has never lost a presidential election.

Zedillo would follow in the tradition of President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, also a foreign-educated economist. Like Salinas, who is forbidden by law to succeed himself, Zedillo is a former secretary of programming and the budget, a post he left for the education department in 1992.

Zedillo resigned the education post to run Colosio's campaign. He has never run for public office.

Many old-line members of the party, known by its

Spanish initials as PRI, had promoted Ortiz Arana, 49, who has spent much of his career as a party activist. Ortiz Arana said he did not want to create divisions in the party.

The PRI has not said when it will announce its candidate.

The development came a day after the government said a retired security guard hired to help in crowd-control at a campaign rally in Tijuana was suspected of helping in the assassination of Colosio, the leader presidential candidate.

Others also may have been involved in the killing of Colosio last Wednesday, according to a statement Monday from Rene Gonzalez de la Vega, deputy attorney general for investigations. But he insisted there was no wide conspiracy.

The government has repeatedly insisted that Colosio was killed by a lone gunman. Mario Aburto Martinez, 23, a plastics factory mechanic, confessed to the killing and is in jail.

Gonzalez identified the second suspect as Tranquilino Sanchez Venegas, who he said was hired the day of the campaign rally by a local PRI boss.

Gonzalez said "photographic material" taken when Colosio was shot was found in the possession of Sanchez Venegas, who he said was a retired

security guard. No details were given.

The *Wall Street Journal* reported today that the two suspects may have links to radical groups operating out of Los Angeles. A spokesman for the attorney general's office said it would issue a statement later today describing the possible links, the newspaper said. No details were given.

Theories of a conspiracy have been circulating widely, adding to the climate of uncertainty caused by the assassination.

"We think that behind the attack, an oligarchical group opposed to the democratic process was the one which armed the hand of the murderer," said Porfirio Munoz Ledo, a president of the opposition Democratic Revolution Party.

Gonzalez denied a published report that Sanchez Venegas was connected with army Gen. Domiro Garcia Reyes. Garcia Reyes, a member of President Carlos Salinas de Gortari's guard, was head of Colosio's security detail.

The major Mexico City newspaper *El Universal* ran photographs Monday showing Colosio moments before he was shot in Tijuana and suggested a man near his security chief could have been involved.

It identified the man in the picture as Sanchez Venegas and said he was a member of Colosio's security

detail. The paper suggested he may have opened the way through the campaign rally crowd for the gunman.

Local newspapers had quoted one doctor, Patricia Riedel Aubanel, as saying the bullet wounds to Colosio's head and stomach were of two different calibers. The government later said she testified she was not a forensic specialist qualified to comment on such wounds.

On the Mexican TV network Televisa, graphic new film of a shot being fired to Colosio's head in a burst of blood was shown Monday.

The tape, run in slow motion three times, shows an assassin not clearly identified putting a revolver against Colosio's head and the gun going off. In the confusion, it was not clear whether an accomplice helped the shooter.

The same footage was shown on Argentine television station Channel 11. A Channel 11 official said the videotape was shot by a Mexican amateur, who was not identified.

As candidate of the governing party, Colosio was heavily favored to win the Aug. 21 presidential elections.

The killing was the first major Mexican political assassination since 1928.

## DPS report: Fewest people die in traffic accidents since 1965

AUSTIN — Fewer people died in traffic accidents in Texas in 1993 than in any year since 1965, according to statistics compiled by the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Last year, 3,037 persons died in traffic mishaps on Texas streets and roadways, a decrease of 0.7 percent from the 1992 statewide death toll of 3,057. The decline was the eighth in the last nine years.

"You have to go back 28 years, to 1965 when 3,028 died in traffic accidents, to find fewer fatalities than we had in 1993," said DPS Director Col. James R. Wilson.

Texas' traffic death rate — the number of fatalities per 100 million miles driven — was the lowest in the state's history at 1.8.

"Unfortunately, not all the news is good," Wilson said. "The overall number of traffic accidents in the state was up and the number of persons injured in traffic accidents increased by 6 percent."

The DPS received reports of 390,417 traffic accidents in 1993, an increase of 2.1 percent from 1992 figures. These accidents resulted in some degree of injury, from minor

to life-threatening, to 298,891 people.

Four in 10 traffic deaths last year were linked to alcohol or drug use by drivers, an analysis of DPS traffic statistics showed.

"In 1993, 1,219 persons died in traffic accidents in which intoxication was a factor," Wilson said. "That amounts to 40.1 percent of all of the fatalities last year."

Not wearing safety belts also was a significant factor in traffic deaths last year, Wilson said. "Of those killed in the front seats of cars and light trucks last year, nearly 60 percent were not restrained."

Motorcycle fatalities also were up in 1993, compared with the year before. Last year, 157 motorcycle operators or passengers were killed in accidents, an increase of 17.2 percent over 1992 motorcycle deaths. Of those killed last year, 18 percent had not been wearing helmets.

"I urge all Texans to take these numbers to heart," Wilson said. "Don't drink and drive, wear your safety belt, use child seats, stay within the speed limit and, if you're on a motorcycle, wear your helmet."



U.S. Ambassador to Japan Walter Mondale, left, talks with Japanese Foreign Minister Tsutomu Hata in Tokyo today about the U.S.-Japan trade talks and about the recent deaths of Japanese students in a carjacking. (AP photo)

## Travel agents fear carjacking deaths will hurt U.S. tourism

By NIKO PRICE  
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Masako Easton was supposed to make a routine trip to Japan next month to talk to 600 high school students planning to visit Los Angeles over the summer.

That was until two college students from Japan were shot to death in a carjacking over the weekend. Now Easton's routine trip has become a major source of anxiety.

"I have a very big task," said Easton, marketing director for the Nippon Travel Agency. "I have to develop something to take to Japan to give them assurance. ... If they feel strongly I might lose the account."

After nightly doses of American violence, both fictional and real, on Japanese television, selling the United States and its big cities has become more difficult for travel agents.

In Los Angeles, Japanese tourists pump \$480 million into the city's economy every year — more than visitors from any other country, said Michael Collins, senior vice president of the Los Angeles Convention and Visitors Bureau.

But that figure was down 10 percent last year, in part because of the troubled Japanese economy, and many in the industry worry it may drop further because of fear.

"What we're seeing is because of (violence), more and more people are heading to Australia," said Dave Karraker, national account manager for the Japan Assistance Network, a 24-hour telephone translation service in Los Angeles for Japanese tourists. "You don't hear about stuff happening in Australia."

Over the weekend, Takuma Ito and Go Matsuura, 19-year-old students at Marymount College, were shot at a San Pedro supermarket in a carjacking. Ito is Japanese; Matsuura, a U.S. citizen, grew up in Japan. They died on Sunday.

Japan's consul general, Seiichiro Noboru, said he doubts the shootings

will stop tourists from coming to "sunny and warm California."

But the headlines in Japan didn't mention the weather. "Gun Society ... Another Tragedy, in Los Angeles. For a Car?" asked the newspaper *Sankei Sports*.

Japan is largely gun-free, and between movies and television, many Japanese already think of the United States as a haven for gun-toting gangsters. Karraker said there were 10,567 murders by handguns in the United States in 1990, while Japan had just 87 murders total.

"The first thing that comes into their minds when they travel to the U.S. is not 'Where am I going to go?' It's security," Karraker said.

At Disneyland, foreign tourists account for about 30 percent of visitors, and foreigners have contributed to the amusement park's recent 15-20 percent decline in attendance, said Jeffrey Logsdon, a securities analyst.

"The earthquake is part of it. The violence quotient is part of it," he said. "Southern California has been hit by the Four Horsemen — fire, floods, riots and earthquakes."

After the shooting death of high school exchange student Yoshihiro Hattori in Baton Rouge, La., in 1992, more than a quarter-million Japanese signed a petition appealing for an end to gun violence in the United States.

"They just can't fathom it. Guns are illegal in Japan," Karraker said. "The only people who have guns in Japan are the mafia or really big criminals."

## Successful lottery sales have little impact on gambling vote

By CHIP BROWN  
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — The \$4 billion success of the Texas Lottery should not be seen as a sign that legalized gambling is on its way to the Lone Star State, state leaders say.

Gov. Ann Richards and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock indicated Monday the success of the lottery shouldn't affect an expected vote on in-state legalized gambling when the Legislature convenes next January.

"It (the success of the lottery) hasn't influenced me," said Bullock, who criticizes state money raised from the lottery and any form of gambling as "undependable."

"I don't think that the success of the lottery means that casino gambling is the next big gambling industry in Texas," said Richards spokeswoman Leticia Vasquez.

"I know that the casino gambling people have said they are bringing some more legislation up in 1995. But the governor has said all along that she would like to see the pari-mutuel race tracks on line and working first because there is a limited amount of gambling money in Texas."

Casino officials are doubling down on efforts to bring gambling to Texas. Several companies are buying up property in cities like Dallas and Houston with hopes of operating casinos down the road.

Sales from the state's games of chance have topped \$4 billion in less than two years, making it the fastest growing lottery in the country, according to lottery spokesman Steve Levine.

"Both Florida and California hit \$4 billion after their second year," Levine said Monday.

Richards, who pushed for the lottery in Texas, is excited about the money it has generated since its start-up on May 28, 1992.

"We are real happy that the lottery has topped the \$4 billion mark," said Richards campaign spokeswoman Cindy Rugeley. "She advocated the lottery because the people asked her to. It's provided money to state services we wouldn't have had otherwise."

Bullock, who put aside his own lackluster feelings for the lottery and went along with the will of the voters when the game was brought to Texas, said Monday he was somewhat bewildered by its success.

"I've got to admit I am a little surprised, I don't know how much longer the lottery will maintain this momentum," Bullock said.

"It looks like Oklahoma is about to start one and I think one is on the table in New Mexico, and a lot of our sales, as I understand it, have come from these border areas. At some point, I don't know when, I think lottery will stabilize and perhaps drop."

About \$1.25 billion has been contributed to the state's General Revenue Fund, which helps pay for state programs such as health and human services, parks, public safety, public schools and prisons, Levine said.

According to figures provided by Levine, the Texas Lottery has generated \$4,001,787,956 through Saturday. About \$2.4 billion has come from instant, scratch card games and \$1.4 billion has come from Lotto Texas. Pick 3 has produced \$78.3 million in revenues.

About \$2.1 billion has been paid out in cash prizes, Levine said.

## General Services Commission to vote on open records prices

AUSTIN (AP) — Users of the Texas Open Records Act may find a new price listing to get a look at public records.

The General Services Commission is scheduled to vote today on guidelines to be used by local and state government entities for documents requested under the act.

One fee that won't be added is a charge for copies of some public records that take more than 15 minutes to find. Charges would have been \$15 per hour for personnel costs, and 20 percent of the personnel cost for overhead.

That recommendation has been dropped after government watchdog groups, media representatives, state Attorney General Dan Morales and others criticized the proposal.

They said it would result in a more secretive government because charges for public documents would increase significantly.

Others testified that the public should not be subject to unreasonable charges for copies of documents that show how their tax dollars are being spent.

Under the new proposal, personnel and overhead charges cannot be added to requests for copies of 50 pages or less if the documents are or should be "readily available information."

The proposal states that personnel and overhead charges can be added to requests for copies if the information "requires a substantial amount of time to locate or prepare for release."

That had been the sticking point between commission staff members, who originally wanted the 15-minute limit, and watchdog groups, which wanted each agency to interpret "substantial amount of time."

Ron Dusek, a spokesman for Morales, said the changes will "promote open government."

Gerald Heep, director of internal audit for the commission, said the commission staff complied with Morales' wishes because the attorney general interprets the Texas Open Records Act.

"Instead of being objective, it will be subjective and each agency will determine what is a substantial amount of time," Heep said.

## Woman wins dead lover's frozen sperm

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A woman who wants to bear her dead lover's child won the right to three vials of his frozen sperm after a 2 1/2-year dispute with the man's grown children.

"I do not think it is appropriate to give the children veto power over their father's right to procreate half-siblings," Superior Court Judge Arnold Gold said Monday.

He granted Deborah Hecht a portion of the sperm William Kane stored before committing suicide in 1991.

Kane's children, William Kane Jr., 22, and Katherine Kane, 20, said they didn't want Hecht to have the sperm because she could have prevented his suicide, an allegation she denied. Their mother, who divorced Kane 19 years ago, was their lawyer.

Hecht said Kane's children simply didn't want to share Kane's estate with another sibling.

The judge ruled Kane's sperm was part of his estate, citing an appeals court ruling defining sperm as property, and granted Hecht 20 percent of it.

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## Opinion

Clinton ignoring  
the family budget

When parents complain about how difficult it is these days to make ends meet, they should aim their frustration at the tax code.

Rising taxes have hindered the ability of parents to feed, clothe and educate their children. Lowering this burden should be the cornerstone for any federal policy billed as "pro-family."

House Republicans tried to tackle this problem with a \$500-per-child tax credit. Unfortunately, the proposal, part of the GOP's broad budget plan for 1995, failed in the house on a party-line vote. The Democratic majority then passed a budget with no significant tax relief for families. A Senate committee controlled by Democrats has also rejected the GOP's family tax credit.

During the last 40 years, taxes imposed on American families have become a staggering burden. According to a recent study by the Heritage Foundation in Washington, D.C., the average American family with children in 1950 paid 2 percent of its income to the federal government in taxes; today the average family with children surrenders 24 percent of its income.

This has meant a direct loss of buying power for families with children. Heritage policy analyst Robert Rector estimates that if the tax burden were reduced to what it was in 1950, the average American family would gain \$10,060 a year. Among married-couple families where both parents work outside the home, Rector figures that two-thirds of the typical wife's earnings go to pay for increased federal taxes. Only one-third actually supports the family.

Judging by his campaign rhetoric, Bill Clinton should support a family tax cut. While running for president, Clinton stated: "Virtually every industrialized nation recognizes the importance of strong families in its tax code; we should too. We will lower the tax burden on middle-class Americans." In their 1992 book *Putting People First*, Clinton and his running mate Al Gore pledged to "grant additional tax relief to families with children."

Unfortunately for families, Clinton shelved any plans for a middle-class tax cut shortly after he won the election. Instead, he successfully pushed for higher taxes, including a hike in the gasoline tax that affects all income levels.

When it comes to priorities, it's becoming obvious the president is more concerned about his own budget than those of American families.

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## Berry's World



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"Did I mention that I had a pre-existing condition?... No money."

## Signs of hope may be premature

Americans like their military missions quick, painless and triumphant, and at the moment, the intervention in the Balkans appears to qualify. Threaten to drop some bombs, shoot a few Serbian fighter planes out of the sky and, suddenly, peace is at hand.

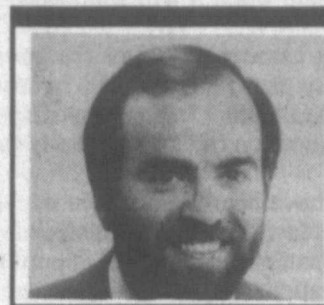
Things are looking up a bit. The Serbs have stopped shelling Sarajevo, the Croatian and Bosnian governments are working out a political settlement of their differences and a general peace agreement may not be far away.

But, as we learned in Somalia, a promising start is no guarantee of a happy ending. Gen. John Shalakashvili, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, dampened the euphoria considerably when he said recently that America's reward for helping to broker a peace accord would be an invitation to send 25,000 troops to enforce it.

His statement didn't please the White House. The president has promised to take part in the peacekeeping, but he knows that the lower the number of U.S. troops, the better the chance of approval from Congress. The issue of whether the force will be adequate to the task is secondary.

Even Shalakashvili's recommended contingent of 50,000 peacekeepers, half coming from our allies, looks undersized should real trouble erupt, in which case a couple of hundred thousand may be required. President Clinton ought to remember that in a military conflict, there is no penalty for having more troops than you need. The price for having fewer than you need, however, can be high.

No one is talking about how long our soldiers would have to be there. No one is talking about it because the public will not relish hearing the truth: that the stay will most likely be counted in years, not

Stephen  
Chapman

months. Former National Security Agency director and retired Lt. Gen. William Odom, who favors the idea, suggests we'll be needed for two decades. That's not so long, he says, compared to our 40-year military presence in Western Europe.

Anyone who assumed that the defeat of communism meant a diminished American responsibility for the welfare of Europe will be surprised to learn that our responsibility has expanded to encompass the whole continent. The conflict in the Balkans poses scant danger to American security or prosperity, but the people who supposedly stand to lose from it, namely our NATO allies, see no need to employ their military power to stop it - unless Uncle Sam volunteers to carry the lion's share of the burden.

If the most limited force were enough to pacify the region, Washington might be justified in using it. But U.S. air power, which has gotten credit for the recent outbreak of good news from Bosnia, is not the only factor at work and probably not the most important.

The decisive pressure from Washington has been applied on the Bosnian Muslims and on Croatia, not on the Serbs. The Clinton administration told the Croatian government it would face crippling eco-

conomic sanctions if it didn't make peace with the Bosnian government. It told the Bosnian government that if it resisted, as *The Economist* magazine put it, "America would not intervene to stop the remains of its country (from) being destroyed."

The latter message is a radical change for Clinton, who had long led Bosnia to believe the West would come to its rescue, sparing it the necessity of negotiating realistically with its enemies. The deal Bosnia will be able to get today is worse than it would have gotten a year ago. The government has to accept it - at least for the time being - because the West has left no choice.

The Serbs will likely also accept it because they will get most of the territory they've been fighting for and because refusal would create a danger greater than the U.S. Air Force - a Bosnia allied with Croatia and abundantly armed by the West. The Muslims have been turning the military tide in recent months, thanks largely to weapons smuggled in under the arms embargo, and there's no telling what they could achieve with more and better ones. The Serbs have little to gain and a lot to lose by holding out.

Unfortunately, the best outcome may be if the Serbs do hold out. That would be cause for the West to at last begin shipping arms to the Bosnian government. The Muslims would then have the means to secure a fairer agreement on the battlefield - and, more important, to enforce it.

The only hope for enduring peace in the former Yugoslavia is a balance of military power. Western peacekeepers will be a poor substitute, not to mention a burden on the West. But the Clinton administration, which has lately shown a clearer understanding of this conflict, may not yet understand that.

## Today in history

By The Associated Press  
Today is Tuesday, March 29, the 88th day of 1994. There are 277 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On March 29, 1973, the last United States troops left South Vietnam, ending America's direct military involvement in the Vietnam War. That same day, President Nixon announced "all of our American POW's are on their way home."

On this date:  
In 1790, the 10th president of the United States, John Tyler, was born in Charles City County, Va.

In 1867, the British Parliament passed the North America Act to create the Dominion of Canada.

In 1882, the Knights of Columbus was chartered in Connecticut.

In 1943, World War II meat, butter and cheese rationing began.

In 1951, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were convicted of espionage charges. They were executed in June 1953.



## Country music - that's his thang

This is a reprint of a previous column that originally appeared in May 1989.

Even if you don't particularly enjoy country music, you've got to admit some of the titles, lyrics and thoughts are wonderfully poetic.

For years, there was something that circulated called "The List." It included the very best country music titles and lyrics. Remember these titles?:

"My Wife Just Ran Off With My Best Friend, and I Miss Him."

"I Gave Her a Ring and She Gave Me a Finger."

"We Used to Kiss on the Lips, But It's All Over Now."

"Every Man Must Leave His Footprints in the Shifting Sands of Time, But I'll Just Leave the Mark of a Heel."

"How Come My Dog Don't Bark When You Come Around?"

"I've Got Tears in My Ears From Lying on My Back Crying All Night Over You."

And these equally impressive lyrics?:

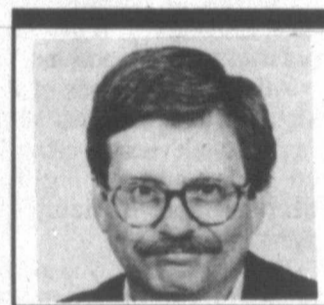
"If your phone don't ring, it's me."

"Ain't only one thing in this ol' world worth a solitary dime, and that's old dogs, and children, and watermelon wine."

"If you're waitin' on me, you're backin' up."

"Has anybody here seen my sweet thang?"

"The work we did, it was hard, but we slept at

Lewis  
Grizzard

night cause we was tard."  
(That may be a paraphrase, but it's close enough - from Loretta Lynn's "Coal Miner's Daughter.")

Country music can be used in real-life situations. A friend was telling me how, when he asked his wife for a divorce, she refused and demanded they go to a marriage counselor.

At the last session with the counselor, the counselor asked my friend's wife, "Is there any song that really sums up your feelings for your husband?"

She responded, "Each time I hear Johnny Mathis sing, 'Until the Twelfth of Never,' I think of him."

"And what about you?" the counselor asked my friend. "Is there any particular song that sums up your feelings for your wife?"

"Absolutely," he replied. "Roy Clark's immortal, 'Thank God and Greyhound She's Gone.'"

My friend got his divorce.

I bring all this up because of a country song I heard recently by George Jones. For those who are not familiar with Mr. Jones, he's been around for years and is a notorious drinker.

On one occasion his former wife, country singer Tammy Wynette, left their Nashville home to go on tour. She had all the liquor removed from the house, and left George with no car.

No problem for George. He was last seen heading to the nearest bar, driving the couple's law mower.

Despite his drinking problems, George Jones is recognized by many as the best country singer ever. His voice has the same tone as a steel guitar when he sings of love - lost and found.

And his latest: There's this guy, and his baby has gone, and he's sitting at home and darkness has come and he's got the hurt-all-over blues.

He turns to drink as the answer. He pulls off the shelf a decanter of bourbon that is in the image of the late Elvis. He's got to have something to drink the bourbon from, so he locates a Fred Flinstone jelly jar.

He pours out the jelly, steams the label off the jar and pours himself a drink out of Elvis.

And he sings:  
"Yabba Dabba Do, the King is gone, and so are you."

A classic is born.

## The Reagan book of quotable quotes

You are no doubt aware that the editors of *Barlett's Familiar Quotations*, that venerable compilation of memorable things said by famous folks, is biased against conservatives and their Grand and Exalted Patriarch, Ronald W. Reagan.

No? Well, let me enlighten you. A few months ago, the editor of *Policy Review*, the Heritage Foundation's quarterly journal, toted up the Reagan quotes in *Barlett's* and compared them to the number of Franklin Roosevelt quotes and John Kennedy quotes and Jimmy Carter quotes and discovered that his hero was getting shortchanged. There were only three from Ron, compared to 35 from FDR, 28 from JFK and six from the much-reviled Jimmy.

The inescapable conclusion: The Great Communicator was being denied "his ritual place in rhetorical history."

Not wanting anyone to be without a handy reference to RR's pearls of wisdom, I have culled my files and compiled a few. Herewith, *The Curmudgeon's Collection of Famous Reagan Quotes*:

"You go to bed every night knowing that there are things that you are not aware of." (Speaking in 1989 about his two terms in the White House.)

"I didn't have the slightest indication of what was going on." (Commenting in 1989 on scandals in the Department of Housing and Urban Development.)

"I can't tell until somebody tells me. ... I never know where I'm going." (His answer in 1982 when asked if he would be visiting the Vietnam Memorial on Veterans Day.)

"What am I supposed to order?" (His question to

Joseph  
Spear

an aide at a McDonald's restaurant while campaigning in 1984.)

"Oh dear, I could ask for help here. The name I know is very familiar." (His 1990 response when asked by a lawyers during one of the Iran-Contra trials to identify Gen. John Vessey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1982 to 1985.)

"Facts are stupid things." (Statement at the 1988 Republican National Convention.)

"How are you, Mr. Mayor? I'm glad to meet you. How are things in your city?" (His 1981 greeting to his HUD Secretary, Samuel Perce, during a White House meeting with mayors.)

"Ladies and gentlemen, Chairman Moe of Liberia is our visitor here today, and we're very proud to have him." (His 1982 White House introduction of Liberian President Samuel K. Doe.)

"We're very proud to have Sugar Ray and Mrs. Ray here." (His 1981 White House welcome to boxing great Ray Leonard.)

"You know, your nose looks just like Danay Thomas'." (Remark to the Lebanese foreign minister

during a 1982 White House meeting with Arab leaders.)

"Trees cause more pollution than automobiles." (Statement made in 1981.)

"A tree is a tree. How many more do you need to look at?" (Statement made in 1966 as Governor of California in opposition to a proposal to expand Redwoods Park.)

"I didn't go down there with any plan for the Americas, or anything. I went down to find out from them and (to learn) their views. You'd be surprised. They're all individual countries." (His 1982 response to a reporter who asked if his Latin American trip had changed his view of the area.)

"I've often wondered, what if all of us in the world discovered that we were threatened by an outer - a power from outer space, from another planet?" (Statement made in 1988.)

"I've not tied my life by it, but I won't answer the question the other way because I don't know enough about it to say, is there something to it or not." (Response to a 1988 question about whether he believed in astrology.)

"Nancy and I are sorry to learn about your illness. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. God bless you." (A 1990 letter to Augusta Lockridge, a fictional character who was blinded on the soap opera *Santa Barbara*.)

There you have them, the sayings of Ronald Reagan. Clip this column and stash it in your personal copy of *Barlett's* and you'll never be without a good Gipper quote.

Glad to be of service.

## Zulu king says he won't attend talks; violent clashes continue

By TOM COHEN  
Associated Press Writer

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Gunmen fired shots at the African National Congress headquarters today, a day after ANC security guards killed nine Zulu nationalists in an explosion of violence in downtown Johannesburg.

No one was hurt in today's shooting.

Zulu leaders rejected an immediate summit with the government and ANC following Monday's bloodshed.

Zulu nationalist leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi said the violence was the beginning of "a final struggle to the finish between the ANC and the Zulu nation."

Buthelezi, head of the Zulu homeland and the Inkatha Freedom Party, warned of an uprising by his people unless South Africa's first all-race election, scheduled for April 26-28, was postponed. Both the government and the ANC have said the vote will not be delayed.

"The only way to be sure of avoiding the degeneration of the South African situation into one of ungovernability and violence beyond control is to suspend the election date" and settle Zulu demands for autonomy, Buthelezi said in a statement.

He and Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini, his nephew, had been invited to talks with President F.W. de Klerk and ANC leader Nelson Mandela on how best to move toward the election.

At least 34 people were killed in street battles that broke out in the country's white-dominated business capital as Zulus marched to protest the election.

Fighting between supporters of

the Inkatha and the ANC flared again today in the tinderbox province of Natal, home to most of South Africa's Zulus.

Two men were hacked to death and six homes were set ablaze in the Bhambayi black township, north of Durban.

Such violence has raised fears that unrest will prevent free and fair voting in next month's election.

The government-ANC-Zulu summit had been scheduled to begin Wednesday. But Zwelithini, in a letter to de Klerk released today, said it should be postponed until next week.

Negotiations must wait until "people have been given the opportunity to bury their dead and until such time as the fierce anger in their breast has abated somewhat," he said.

A spokesman for de Klerk said the president still wanted the meeting to take place this week. There was no immediate comment from the ANC.

The unprecedented summit was to address increasing political violence surrounding the election and Zulu calls for an autonomous state.

The ANC, the nation's leading black group, is favored to win the election and lead the first post-apartheid government. It says black homelands created under the apartheid system of racial segregation will become part of South Africa after the vote.

Buthelezi says the ANC wants to wipe out the traditional Zulu kingdom and destroy Zulu culture.

The nation's top election official said today that the election would proceed as scheduled in Natal Province, which includes KwaZulu, even if violence disrupted voting in the homeland.

## Pastor loses her daughter, congregation members to tornado

By DAN SEWELL  
Associated Press Writer

PIEDMONT, Ala. (AP) — In the week leading up to Easter, the Rev. Kelly Clem must bury her 4-year-old daughter and try to keep together a congregation reeling from the deadly tornado that smashed through Palm Sunday services.

"People were lying on the ground and asking: 'Why Kelly, tell me why?'" said the 34-year-old pastor, nursing a badly swollen eye she believes was hit by a brick whirling in the twister that damaged her church and parsonage.

"We do not know why," she said she told them. "I don't think 'why' is the question right now. We just have to help each other through it."

The tornado killed at least 20 worshippers, including Mrs. Clem's daughter Hannah and five other children who had opened the Palm Sunday service by waving their palm fronds in a procession.

At least 90 people were injured in the congregation of 140 near this eastern Alabama town, the area hardest hit by the series of tornadoes that pounded the Southeast on Sunday. At least 43 people in all were killed.

"Everybody was affected. People lost a lot," Mrs. Clem said. "I hope we can keep Goshen United Methodist alive. We're going to have to pull together."

She hopes to lead sunrise services on Easter Sunday, and plans a foundation in her daughter's name.



The Goshen United Methodist Church in Piedmont, Ala., as it looked Monday after Sunday's tornado. (AP photo)

The first funerals were scheduled for today in Piedmont, a town of some 6,000 residents who have dozens of churches to choose from.

Hannah's funeral will be Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church in Anniston, where Mrs. Clem had been associate pastor before taking over as leader of the young and growing congregation at Goshen.

On Monday, she confronted her dual responsibilities as grieving mother and leader of a shocked congregation. Her other child, 2-year-old Sarah, was in the church nursery, which escaped the brunt of the tornado.

"I'm picking up on this pain and suffering and death," Mrs. Clem said,

gripping a pink stuffed cat her daughter got for Christmas. "But all I'm feeling right now is my baby."

She said she is "trying not to make too big a deal of it for the 2-year-old. She's not sure what's going on. She hasn't asked about her sister yet."

Her husband, the Rev. Dale Clem, rushed back Sunday night after receiving the news in Lawton, Okla., where he was leading a youth group on a mission.

"We just hugged each other and cried together and said we loved each other," he said.

Lisa Cronan, whose sister Diane Molock was killed, said her 3-year-old son Tyler had been sitting next to her

sister and somehow emerged with only a scratch behind his ear. "After the roof fell in, he apparently walked out," she said.

A husband and wife injured badly said they were thankful their 2-year-old son was unharmed. Doug Scott, 26, said he and Rhonda were watching the Easter drama, which had been disrupted when power went out, when they noticed the wind outside had picked up.

When he heard glass breaking, Scott said, he jumped into the aisle and began crawling to the nursery where his son Jake was. A cement beam crashed down, dislocating his hips. After the beam was moved, he was carried outside to the lawn.

"I was in terrible pain and I was hollering for my son," he said. "Somebody brought him to me. He was crying, but he was OK."

His wife suffered pelvic fractures and both were confined to bed in the same hospital room Monday.

"We just grieve for Kelly. She's a wonderful person and a great pastor," Scott said.

"Some people told me that you must almost wish you never had a child," Mrs. Clem said. "It hurts, but I'll never regret these four wonderful years with that child. We had some wonderful last days. I had her picture made and we made a video of her Easter parade."

"She had talked about death. She said she thinks heaven is like Disney World and I told her that was right. That child understood a lot. That gives me a lot of peace right now."

## Breast cancer researcher to be ousted

NEW YORK (AP) — Federal health officials asked the University of Pittsburgh to replace the coordinator of a series of breast cancer studies that included falsified data, according to published reports today.

Earlier this month, it was disclosed that an influential study headed by Dr. Bernard Fisher contained falsified data from a Canadian hospital. The study concluded that removing the cancerous lump and treating the patient with radiation can be as effective as removing the whole breast.

On Monday, a potentially serious discrepancy was found in a second breast cancer study headed by Fisher, prompting the National Cancer Institute to ask that he be replaced, *The New York Times* said. The nature of the discrepancy and the subject of that study were not disclosed.

The University of Pittsburgh is expected to replace Fisher with another senior researcher today, the *Times* said. *The Chicago Tribune*, which also reported the emergence of a second set of bad data today, quoted sources as saying the National Cancer Institute suspended the university as the administrative headquarters of the cancer project.

In the lumpectomy study, the bad data were submitted by a researcher at St. Luc Hospital in Montreal. The data in the second case came from another Montreal hospital, the newspapers said.

Federal health officials stand by the findings of the lumpectomy study, and in an effort to allay public concern about breast cancer treatment, reanalyzed the study, excluding the bad data. They declared the conclusions sound.

Concern about Fisher's work was heightened when it was found that he was aware of the discrepancies in the data, but failed to take action, the *Times* said, citing an NCI official, Dr. Michael Friedman.

"I think the credibility of this (Fisher) group is at stake, and we want to make sure that they are able to conduct research in the future that people will believe," another NCI official, Dr. Bruce Chabner, said in Monday's *Washington Post*.

Neither Fisher nor University of Pittsburgh officials returned calls for comment this morning. A previous statement, released by the university on behalf of Fisher's research group, said the fraudulent data did not alter the results of the lumpectomy study.

## Japan's trade market-opening measures still leave much undecided

TOKYO (AP) — Hoping to break a six-week stalemate in trade talks with the United States, Japan today announced a package carefully crafted to answer U.S. demands to open its market. But it postpones many tough decisions.

If the Clinton administration is unsatisfied with Japan's efforts to reduce its \$59 billion annual trade surplus with the United States, it can levy sanctions under the newly revived Super 301 provision of U.S. trade law.

The first step toward sanctions could come Thursday, when a U.S.

report will detail foreign trade barriers.

Japan pledged today to make it easier for foreigners to win government contracts and sell insurance, both key U.S. requests. It also promised to relax regulations in communications, retailing, pharmaceuticals, food and other industries, valued at a total of \$1.9 trillion.

But Japan said it would not decide until June on specifics of how to bring product regulations and standards more in line with world norms.

The United States, and many in

Japan, say the cumbersome process of modifying and inspecting products for the Japanese market acts as a large trade barrier.

Doubts that Washington would be satisfied with the package pushed the Japanese yen higher on currency markets today amid speculation the United States would try to nudge the yen higher.

A high yen makes Japan's exports more costly overseas, which should cause its trade surplus to fall.

Japan today also said it would gather data, then "take appropriate measures as necessary" to boost

sales of foreign cars and car parts in Japan. It didn't specify the measures.

Autos and auto parts account for about 60 percent of the U.S. trade deficit with Japan.

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### A happy 94th birthday



Neil and Flo Quattlebaum, at left, greet Florence Ormand Miller at her 94th birthday party reception held Sunday at the Lovett Memorial Library auditorium. At right, Mrs. Miller chats with some of the visitors at the reception, sponsored by the Friends of the Pampa Library. Mrs. Miller moved to Pampa in 1987 from Dallas to be with her only son and daughter-in-law, Jack and Glenna Lea Miller. Also attend-



ing were grandchildren Melanie Miller and Michael Miller. Born March 26, 1900 in Goliad, Mrs. Miller over the years had been active in the cosmetics and fashion industries in Dallas, New York and California, well-known nationally for her success in both fields. In Dallas, she also had a television show, *Fashions in Faces*, which ran for 23 years. (Pampa News photos by Darlene Holmes)

### Doubts raised about administration plan to speed up claims for asylum

By MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration plans to streamline the handling of the 150,000 annual requests for political asylum but critics wonder whether the measures will merely create a new backlog elsewhere in the system.

Federal officials and immigration advocates in the private sector said the Justice Department is on the verge of implementing three steps: doubling the number of officials adjudicating claims, imposing a \$130 processing fee for those who can afford it, and delaying work permits until six months after application.

In a major policy change, the new system will be put to work on new claims immediately. "We're adopting a last-in, first-out policy," said one government official, who declined to be identified by name. "We are going to process new applications first and not immediately deal with the backlog."

That backlog now numbers 370,000 cases and the Immigration and Naturalization Service estimates it could hit 500,000 cases by the end of the year.

Immigration and Naturalization Commissioner Doris Meissner was to outline the steps in detail at a news conference today.

Arthur Helton, director of migration programs for the Open Society Institute, said, "There's a real risk that this will simply transfer the backlog from one office to another within the Justice Department."

The administration plan to increase, perhaps double, the 85 immigration judges simply does not add enough judges to handle the caseload, said Helton, whose pro-immigration foundation was established by Hungarian-born financier George Soros.

He said the 85 judges, who also have other business, currently decide 20,000 asylum claims a year. Doubling them might add another 40,000 asylum decisions, but Hel-

ton said he expected they would be given an additional 120,000 cases a year "because the new system may involve less work for an immigration officer to refer cases to immigration judges than to grant asylum."

Now, even applicants with no real chance of winning asylum can get a work permit just 90 days after applying and work for years while they wait for their claim to be denied. To get asylum, an applicant must have a well-founded fear of ethnic, religious or political persecution if returned to his or her country of origin.

The new system envisions that immigration officers who handle these claims, their numbers doubled from 150 to 300, will be able to process meritorious claims within 60 days and hand out a work permit at the same time.

Those who are not given asylum within 60 days will be summoned to a deportation hearing, and it could take another six months to get a work permit.

In addition, the immigration service will begin fingerprinting asylum applicants to eliminate a problem of duplicate applications in different U.S. cities under different names.

And those filing boilerplate applications now sold by so-called "consultants" will be asked for additional data so a quick decision can be made.

The new \$130 fee is designed to help pay the \$600 cost of processing an application. The fees will be waived for those who cannot afford it.

### Fort Worth takes extraordinary steps to fight youth gang violence

By STEFANI G. KOPENEC  
Associated Press Writer

FORT WORTH (AP) — Marcus Davenport used to run with a neighborhood gang where he sold guns and crack, had shootouts with rival factions and sometimes robbed people.

Now that he's out, Davenport's advice to gang members is to examine the lures that may have attracted them, like the opportunity for quick cash.

"The fast money, it's a circle," he said. "You make fast money and it goes fast, because we were involved in the drug trade, too, and we made a lot of money, but right to this day, I don't have anything to show for it."

Davenport said he was literally scared from the gang by the fear of God.

"I don't want to be fighting against the almighty creator," he said.

Police say the fear of death or injury has many others looking to sever their ties to gangs, which are becoming increasingly violent.

Yet, getting out is tougher than it seems. The threat of retaliation from hard-core gang members is a significant deterrent to those hoping to escape.

"More and more of them are becoming scared, for lack of a better word, now that they're in a gang and seeing that, not only is it their friends and stuff, but family members that are being killed and shot as result of their being in a gang," said

Lt. Ed Daniels, commander of Fort Worth's gang unit. "On the other hand, they're also afraid to get out of it."

Fort Worth is a prime example of how deadly gang violence is becoming in Texas. The death toll here from gang-related violence is already at 10 this year, compared with 17 in 1993.

The problem has swept across the state and nation from the major cities to rural areas.

— In San Antonio, police said a teenager who avoided gangs was slain Friday in a shootout between rival groups who targeted the wrong house. The boy's cousin was critically wounded in the hail of gunfire.

— At Irving Mall, a man who was eating pizza with his wife and two daughters was fatally shot in the head in a gang-related shooting two days after Christmas.

— In the South Texas town of Alice, which has fewer than 20,000 residents, five drive-by shootings were reported in a single month last summer.

Dallas Mayor Steve Bartlett recently announced plans for a youth crime summit. During next month's two-day conference, several of the nation's big-city mayors and police chiefs will focus on developing a plan to combat gang violence.

In Fort Worth, leaders of six warring factions have called a truce as community leaders pledged to help gang members find alternatives to street violence.

Three days after the truce was

declared on Feb. 24, a shooting involving gang members claimed the lives of three men and wounded another.

In a drive-by shooting last week, two girls, ages 4 and 17, were injured outside a Fort Worth home. The week before, a 10-year-old boy

was accidentally shot in a gang attack.

Last month, a mother with gang-member sons was killed as 18 bullets from a drive-by shooting ripped through the side of her Fort Worth house, which had become a frequent target of rival gangs.

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# Dear Abby

By **Abigail Van Buren**

DEAR ABBY: Please help my friend and me settle an argument. We have agreed to abide by your decision.

"Matt" and I both play cello for a small community orchestra. Although it is not a full-time vocation for either of us, it is a hobby at which we both excel. For two years, we have enjoyed a friendly rivalry as we compete for various solos and other honors.

The competition took an unfriendly turn several weeks ago when Matt "inadvertently" ran over my cello with his station wagon when I was loading our instruments into the back. My cello was destroyed, and it was right before a concert in which I had a solo. Because I had no instrument, Matt got the solo that night.

My cello is certainly replaceable, and Matt has offered to purchase a new one for me. Our concern is this: Because Matt had demolished my cello, I felt that he should have offered me the use of his cello for that evening's concert. Matt, however, feels that he had no obligation to surrender his cello. What do you think, Abby?

KATHI

Dear KATHI: Since Matt deliberately ran over your cello - which you implied by placing "inadvertently" in quotes - why would you have expected him to offer you his cello for the evening concert? His objective was to play the cello solo that night - and he succeeded.

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DEAR ABBY: I'm a 25-year-old divorcee. Two years ago, while going through my divorce, I met "Sidney" and his 4-year-old daughter, "Tiffany."

Sidney offered his friendship, and we became friends first - then we became lovers. I was in heaven until his mother entered the picture (I'll call her "Alice.") Alice's husband had left her 20 years ago. She's now an alcoholic and has no friends, and no life other than Sidney and Tiffany.

She's at Sidney's home daily "to clean Tiffany's room." She has her own key and runs Sidney's life, and he lets her. She does their laundry and frequently brings dinner to his house - for Sidney and Tiffany only. The woman hates me. (I've heard some of the vicious things she's said about me.)

I told Sidney how hurt I was, and he said he couldn't tell his mother to back off because she'd probably sit home and drink herself to death, and he couldn't bear to watch this happen. He said if he had to choose between me and his mother, he'd have to choose his mother.

I left the relationship three days ago, and I feel lost. I love him with all my heart, but I can't let Alice walk all over me. Please give me your thoughts.

OVERWROUGHT IN UTAH

DEAR OVERWROUGHT: In Alcoholics Anonymous, there is this saying: "Alcoholics do not have relationships - they take hostages." It appears that Sidney is being held hostage.

I think you did the right thing in ending the relationship. His mother is in control, and she has made Sidney co-dependent. He has already told you that Mama comes first. You are only 25 years old and you have made one marital mistake. I'd hate to see you make another.

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## Man of iron

NEW YORK (AP) — Peter Cooper (1791-1883) was an inventor, manufacturer and philanthropist.

At 17, Cooper was apprenticed to a coach builder and began working as a mechanic. He later ran an ironworks in Baltimore and in 1830 built the first commercially operated American steam locomotive, the Tom Thumb.

Cooper helped Cyrus Field lay the first Atlantic telegraph cable, and also pioneered the manufacture and sale of structural iron beams.

# All about toaster evolution and keeping up with the Joneses

By **MARK DENNIS**  
For AP Special Features

NEW YORK (AP) — Push a cart down market aisles, read magazine advertising or watch television commercials: no doubt, you will find stacks of products proclaimed to be the "newest" or "latest."

This siren call of "progress" has pervaded American society for decades, imploring you to buy, buy, buy.

Even if you may not need to. Sometimes this is so obvious, we are oblivious. A new exhibit at the Cooper-Hewitt National Museum of Design, though, uses this ubiquitous concept to take a sharp look at the evolution of 20th-century American product design and its broader societal implications.

A walk through "Packaging the New: Design and the American Consumer 1925-1975" is a walk through the iconography of Ameri-

ca's recent consumer past.

At the entryway there's an Art Deco Saks Fifth Avenue store window, circa 1928. From there, displays progress through the years to 1975 by way of:

- a streamlined office;
- a recreation room with pool table, recliner and television;
- a shopping market with such familiar products as Crest toothpaste and Cheer laundry detergent as well as grocery carts;
- a 1960s Formica "carousel" kitchen replete with timesaving appliances.

The installation ends with an evolutionary display of toasters — stylistically different, yet functionally the same.

The exhibit looks at the work of five giants of design: Donald Deskey, Norman Bel Geddes, Walter Dorwin Teague, Henry Dreyfuss and Raymond Loewy — Time magazine's Man of the Year in 1949 —

and analyzes how they have shaped America's consumer tastes.

But this is more than a display of items most Americans will have no trouble recognizing from their day-to-day lives. It is also a social, economic and environmental commentary, part of Cooper-Hewitt's mission to "educate all people on the impact of design on our daily lives."

"We recognize that obsolescence, as practiced by manufacturers and industrial designers, has long been one of the key factors driving our economic system," says exhibition curator Gail Davidson. "This exhibition questions the value of styling for profit as the chief goal for design, particularly in light of current social and environmental concerns."

The exhibit explores the design roots behind the proverbial "keeping up with the Joneses." It chronicles how, in the depth of the Great Depression, industrial designers,

advertisers and manufacturers orchestrated economic stimuli using consumer demand driven by style.

It examines how product design, embodied in the nearly 200 items displayed, fueled a burgeoning post-war economy, yet also helped create wasteful consumption based on perceptions of not what is essential, but what is desired.

The designers highlighted in "Packaging the New" helped solve a problem of the 1930s: the Great Depression's stagnant economy. But, according to the exhibit, they have created a new set of problems and priorities that today's designers and manufacturers must address.

The focus on a culture of waste created by "old wine in new bottles" brings the exhibit in line with today's environmental movement, implying that this culture of design helped create American's consumer appetite — the most voracious on

earth — which is contributing to the degradation of the global environment.

According to the exhibit, the role of today's designers is to address the often conflicting priorities of economic growth and environmental protection.

This message brings two levels of interest to the exhibit. You can enjoy looking at objects from an aesthetic or design perspective while pondering the broader implications of designing the new when the old is not necessarily obsolete.

The exhibit is in the stately Carnegie mansion — home to the Cooper-Hewitt — providing irony and contrast: these transitory consumer goods displayed in the timeless elegance of the 19th century mansion's architecture. This duality is silent yet strong testimony to the sometimes illusive progress the exhibit views with a critical eye.

# Language of the heart



**Jack Nichols**

Music is a major part of many people's lives, but it can take on a special significance when it's applied in unique ways.

When used in the growing field of music therapy, music has the power to help heal the mind and the soul.

"Music therapy, the language of the heart, combines the healing power of music with the skills of the therapist to help restore mental and physical health," said Julie Long, who is completing her degree in the field at West Texas A&M.

Long is part of an initiative of Hospice of the Panhandle to incorporate music therapy into the regimen of hospice patients.

"We look at all (the patient's) needs together and sometimes we see a place for music," said Dee Dee Laramore, who directs public relations and education for Hospice of the Panhandle.

"Even for people who say they

can't carry a tune in a bucket, there's a part of them that can be touched by music," Laramore said.

Jack Nichols is the first person in Pampa to get involved with the hospice group's musical efforts.

Nichols, a baritone player and one-time music major, recently helped in the composition on a piece with Long which was part of her training.

**"Music has always changed the way I think about things."**

"Music has been a hobby of mine all the time, especially the big-band era," Nichols said referring to his extensive tape collection.

Long said her interest in the field came through playing piano and looking for a music career for when her teenagers left home. She hopes she can give what music does for her to others.

"Music has always changed the way I feel and think about things.



**Julie Long, behind the keyboard, discusses a piece with Jack Nichols. (Pampa News photos by Darlene Holmes)**

As long as I can remember I have always just loved music," Long said.

Long is half-way through her degree program at WTA&M. For her bachelor's degree, Long must complete course work in music therapy, psychology and special education.

"The wonderful thing about the course requirements is that we actually get to have practical experience from the very first semester of school," Long said.

In addition to Nichols, Long has worked in an Amarillo junior high school and with a cerebral palsy patient.

Music therapy is also used in cases where the patient is emotionally disturbed, handicapped or socially maladjusted.

"The therapist will guide the patient in an area where he or she is accomplished or inclined. ... We explore what they feel comfortable with," Laramore said.

# Early detection vital to protecting trees

## For Horticulture

**Danny Nusser**



As spring nears, area trees begin to bud, flower and leaf out. Trees are a very valuable resource and protecting that resource is very important to most homeowners.

During the summer months, I'm bombarded with questions concerning horticulture, and a large number of these questions concern problems related to trees. Unfortunately, many times when we see a tree problem, the damage has already been done and the problem is more difficult to control.

In many instances, particularly with insects, early detection will allow us to control the problems before damage is done to the plant.

Below are a couple of examples of problem insects that need to be controlled when larvae are small. To accomplish identification and control of the Nantucket pine tip moth and the elm leaf beetle, you need to be checking trees right now.

### NANTUCKET PINE TIP MOTH

The pine tip moths can be a very destructive pest to area pine trees if allowed to go untreated for a long period of time. Although trees are rarely killed, this insect can stunt the plant's growth and cause the tree to grow in odd shapes.

Pine trees are the host plant and are the most susceptible during the first six to eight years of growth on trees less than 15 feet tall. Trees can be infested at any time of development.

The pine tip moth passes the winter as a pupae within the injured terminals and twigs of the trees. Moths emerge from these pupae in March and early April. Females will lay their eggs about two days after emergence. During this period, you need to check the dead terminals for empty pupa sacks from which moths have emerged. After emergence, initiate an insecticide spray program.

Eggs will then hatch and larvae will bore into the needle and feed on the stem. Early detection of the larvae is difficult and may consist of only an occasional dead needle and small webs.

As larvae develop, a resin begins to accumulate on the outside of the tips. The larvae eventually severs the tissue of the tip and the affected portion begins to turn brown. The bud seems to be the most desirable portion of the new shoot. After the bud has been eaten, the larvae bore into the center of the stem. The larvae feed from two to four weeks before pupation occurs and the cycle is repeated.

In our area, we can expect two generations per year. This means a

repeat application of insecticidal spray will be necessary 20 to 30 days after the first application.

Control is obtained using Orthene or Cygon in the early spring when empty pupae cases or sacks are found in dead terminals of infested trees. A repeat application 20 to 30 days later will be needed.

Preventive measures would include planting slash and long leaf pine tree varieties, planting or growing trees in shaded areas, and proper care for rapid growth during the most susceptible periods (first six to eight weeks).

### ELM LEAF BEETLES

Adult beetles over-winter at protected sites such as in homes or garages. Beetles fly to elm trees shortly after the trees' leaves emerge. They eat holes in the leaves and deposit yellowish eggs that resemble lemons on the underside of the leaves. A single female may deposit as many as 400 to 800 eggs.

Larvae hatch in about a week and feed on the leaves. They feed for about three weeks and when mature, they crawl to a sheltered area to

pupate. Adults will again emerge in about two weeks.

The least toxic control can be achieved by planting less susceptible varieties of elms such as cedar, American and winged elm. Siberian elms are the most susceptible.

Sevin will give you good control on all varieties. Orthene is an excellent choice but cannot be used on Siberian elms. Remember, on all chemical applications always follow the label directions.

Control is most effective when yellow eggs are found on the underside of the leaves. First applications should be made three weeks after leaves emerge if eggs are found. Repeat applications in 30 to 40 days if necessary.

Be looking for eggs right now. For more information on this or any other horticulture related questions, feel free to call me at the Gray County Extension office at 669-8033.

Good luck!

## Newsmakers

**Marine Pfc. Rowdy O. Riemer**, a 1993 graduate of Wheeler High School of Wheeler, Texas, recently promoted to his present rank while serving at Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany, Ga.

He joined the Marine Corps in July 1993.

**Debra Smith**, a sophomore at Pampa High School, has been selected to attend the Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science beginning this fall.



**Smith**

The academy, created by the Texas Legislature in 1987, is an early college admissions program at the University of North Texas that gives gifted students a chance to complete their first two years of college while earning a high school diploma.

As an academy student, Smith, the daughter of Kay and Melvin Smith of Pampa, will live in a UNT residence hall and take regular UNT classes taught by full-time faculty. She should be ready for her junior year of college when she graduates from the academy in 1996.

The academy admits up to 200 new students each year. Selection is based on Scholastic Aptitude Test scores, academic records from seventh through 10th grades, an academy mathematics diagnostic test, a student essay, demonstrated interest in science and mathematics, teacher recommendations, a personal interview, and parental support and commitment.

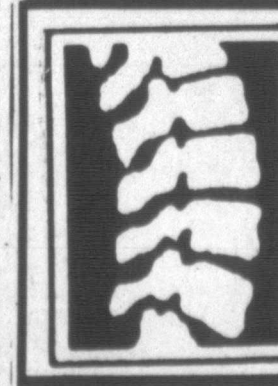
**Marine Cpl. Ramon R. Rodriguez**, son of Jose and Manuela Rodriguez of 417 N. Faulkner, Pampa, Texas, recently departed for a six-month deployment with 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Elements of Rodriguez's unit are dispersed among the ships of the USS Inchon Amphibious Ready Group, which is currently serving off the coast of Somalia. Units of the ARG and the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga Battle Group are part of a joint task group that relieved the USS America JTG in the Mediterranean.

The 1989 graduate of Pampa High School joined the Marine Corps in April 1990.

**Matthew Hamon** and **John Ledbetter**, of Pampa were named to the Texas State Technical College Amarillo Dean of Instruction's Honor Roll with a 3.5 or greater grade point average for the fall quarter.

Texas State Technical College Amarillo is a non-profit technical college, created in 1970 by the Texas Legislature. The school offers 19 technical programs, including three new programs: chemical technology, metrology, and telecommunications.



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# The Pampa News

## NEA Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- 1 Detour around
- 7 Name in print
- 13 Crystalline gem
- 14 Pictures
- 15 Not so sweet
- 16 Lyndon — Johnson
- 17 Electrical unit
- 18 Cloth measure
- 20 Room in Harlem
- 21 Words of denial
- 23 Baseball stat.
- 24 Predator's victim
- 25 Norwegian capital
- 27 Afraid
- 29 Japanese sash
- 31 Exist

**DOWN**

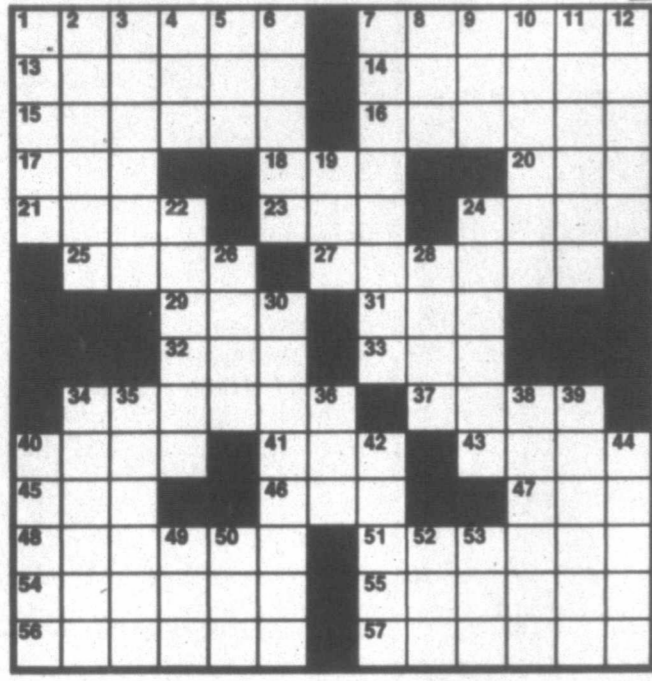
- 32 Victory
- 33 Permit to
- 34 Flair
- 37 Walk
- 40 Rabbit (var.)
- 41 Above (poet.)
- 43 — St. Laurent
- 45 Rubber tree
- 46 Low island
- 47 Much — About Nothing
- 48 Daze
- 51 Himalayan cedar
- 54 Phonograph inventor
- 55 Fruit ripener
- 56 Museum guide
- 57 Perches

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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**5 Sault — Marie**  
**6 Drier**  
**7 Of the Scriptures**  
**8 Entertainer**

**9 Sumac**  
**10 Take no notice of**  
**11 Required**  
**12 Literary composition**  
**19 Many oz.**  
**22 Not quickly**  
**24 Attractive**  
**26 Acting award**  
**28 God of war**  
**30 Not guilty**  
**34 Ohio city**  
**35 Weak**  
**36 — and Sympathy**  
**38 Dodge**  
**39 Narrow-minded teacher**  
**40 Diced**  
**42 Actress**  
**44 Painful spots**  
**49 Employ**  
**50 Daughter's sibling**  
**52 WWII area**  
**53 Exclamation**



### WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

I was reading an article that said many people have trouble distinguishing between their personal and professional lives.

Do you think that is true?

If you will have a seat, and look through some magazines, I'll get to you in an hour or so.

Andrian is a medical doctor.

Oh.

### ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

AND MY UNCLE BOB!

UNCLE BOB DIED YOUNG!

I TRUST THIS LASTS ONLY A FEW YEARS!

### ECK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

I FINALLY FIGURED OUT THE SECRET OF LIFE.

GREAT...

WHAT IS IT?

I'M NOT TELLING...

BUT I'LL LEASE IT TO YOU.

### B.C.

By Johnny Hart

BUNGEE JUMP

WORST BACKLASH I'VE EVER SEEN.

### MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

AS A PARENT, I SOMETIMES FIND MYSELF TORN BETWEEN CONFLICTING EMOTIONS.

SHOULD I TRY TO CORRECT MARVIN'S SLOVENLINESS SO HE'LL BE ABLE TO FIT INTO SOCIETY...

...OR ENCOURAGE IT IN CASE HE GROWS UP TO BE A HIGHLY PAID BASEBALL PLAYER?

PTOOEY!

### ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

WE'RE GETTING PRETTY CLOSE TO THE VILLAGE, AREN'T WE, OOP?

YEP! I...

NOW WHAT IN THUNDER GOT INTO THAT LITTLE RASCAL?

WELL, I'LL BE...!

IT'S GERTIE!

### BEATTIE BLVD.

By Bruce Beattie

"I've figured out what's wrong with your phone... you haven't paid your bill in three months."

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane

"Hands up, partner. You're under the rest."

### MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

"You can look, I lost a pound."

### KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

WHEN DID THE GIRL SCOUTS START SELLING TUNA-FLAVOR COOKIES?

### WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

I'M SICK OF BEING IGNORED! I WANT TO BE NOTICED!

DO YOU HEAR ME? I WANT TO BE NOTICED!

WELL, I GOT NOTICED.

### CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

GREETINGS. I AM BLOR-UTAR FROM ZIMTOK-5. I HAVE COME TO SUBJUGATE THE HUMAN RACE. DO NOT RESIST.

WHY HUMANS? BECAUSE, IN ADDITION TO THEIR VALUE AS SLAVE LABOR, THEY ARE ALSO DELICIOUS AND NUTRITIOUS! HA HA HA!

BUT FIRST, FOR YOUR EARTH CUSTOM OF "SHOW AND TELL," I WILL EXHIBIT SOME OF OUR TERRIFYING WEAPONRY.

SNEKY BLOK-U-LAR MECH-GANGHI! RK!

ALL RIGHT, CALVIN, THAT'S QUITE ENOUGH.

MISS WORMWOOD, SHOULDN'T HE BE IN SOME SPECIAL SCHOOL OR SOMETHING?

### THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

WHOOPIE!

I THINK I'LL TAKE THAT ONE OVER.

YOU DON'T GET MULLIGAN'S IN BOWLING!

### FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

WAS YOUR FAMILY LIFE LIKE ONE OF THOSE 1950'S TV SHOWS?

YEAH.. "THE TWILIGHT ZONE".

### PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schulz

SO WHAT I'M SAYING HERE IS WE CAN'T COMPARE APPLES AND WATERMELONS..

OR GRAPES, OR PEARS, OR BANANAS, OR PEACHES, OR STRAWBERRIES, OR...

MA'AM?

ORANGES, SIR...

FORGET IT, MARCIE.

### GARFIELD

By Jim Davis

I'VE LOST MY LIBRARY CARD!

I'LL FORM A SEARCH PARTY.

RIGHT AFTER I FINISH PICKING MY TEETH.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Progress is indicated today pertaining to an ambitious endeavor you've been recently pursuing. However, to be on the safe side, don't make any premature announcements about completion. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Diplomacy and persuasion can serve you better today than dictatorial, demanding methods. The secret is to get others to do you bidding without generating resentment.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your intuitive perceptions regarding a development which affects your work or career could be on the mark today. Don't disregard strong feelings or hunches.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** One of your best assets today is your ability to be an effective organizer. Instinctively, you should know how to pick the right people for the assignments they can do best.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** It might take you a trifle longer than others to get things done today. However, the big difference is what you do is apt to be done to perfection. Mistakes aren't likely.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Persons with whom you'll associate today will know when you say something you mean business, even when your demands are laminated in friendly phrases. What you say isn't apt to be ignored.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Personal gains are probable today, but it might be necessary for you to first prime the pump. If large returns are indicated, it may be wise to spend a bit in order to make more.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Members of the opposite gender usually find you a charismatic person to begin with. Today, however, your allure could be even stronger.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Today you might be extremely fortunate in a commercial/financial development owing to a strong set of circumstances. Be alert for a peculiar twist you may be able to turn into a profit.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Even though you might be a bit of a day dreamer today that which you envision could still fall within the realm of attainability. Be realistic in ways that help make fancies facts.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Recognition and achievement could be of extreme importance to you today. This is why you might be willing to put forth the extra effort that a runner-up or an also-ran wouldn't.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Companions might have problems identifying that which is truthful, but you're not apt to be so easily deceived today. Trust your intuition when weighing evidence.



Sports

## Notebook

### GOLF

**SNYDER**—Cory Stone of Pampa, a freshman at Western Texas College in Snyder, won a collegiate golf tournament last weekend at the Western Texas Golf Course.

Stone overcame gusty 40 mile per hour winds to shoot a three-round total of 225 (72-77-76).

Graham Davidson of Midland College and teammate Shawn Savage placed second and third respectively with scores of 229 and 230. Davidson is from Scotland and Savage is from Plainview.

Stone will be competing in a tournament April 5-7 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

As a Pampa High senior, Stone advanced to the Class 4A regional tournament. He was second district medalist as a junior and senior and was a member of the 1992 PHS team that advanced to the state tournament. He was also a member of the varsity team as a sophomore.

### WRESTLING

**PAMPA**—The Pampa High School wrestling banquet will be held April 4 at 7 p.m. in the Starlite Room at Coronado Inn.

Those wishing to attend may purchase tickets from 2 to 4 on March 30-31 at the PHS Athletic Office. Tickets are seven dollars.

Parents wishing to help decorate may come to the Starlite Room on April 4 at 12 noon.

### BASKETBALL

**BORGER**—The first Feel the Heat Youth Basketball Tournament for boys in grades three through sixth is scheduled at the Texana Field House on April 9.

Organizers said the tournament, open to boys teams only from the Panhandle area, will have two divisions: third-fourth grade teams and fifth-sixth grade teams. Each team will be guaranteed three games during the one-day tournament.

Cost for entering the tournament, which will have paid officials, is \$75 a team.

For more information, call Jojo Paige at 274-4817 or 275-1669.

### FISHING

**FRITCH**—A special tagging tournament, in conjunction with Crappieathon U.S.A., will be held from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 2 at Lake Meredith.

Interested persons can register at Larry's Marine in Fritch. Information can be obtained by calling 806-857-3464.

The Crappieathon Tournament is scheduled for April 9 through June 7 at Lake Meredith. There are 220 prize crappie sponsored in the Crappieathon.

This is the tenth anniversary of Crappieathon U.S.A.

### FOOTBALL

**GRAPEVINE** (AP) — The pending merger of the Big Eight and Southwest Conference may not necessarily mean a post-season football playoff game to decide the league champion.

The 12 athletic directors, who concluded a two-day meeting Monday, made no final decision on any matters although they appear willing to give up that championship if they could get berths in two Jan. 1 bowl games.

The league likely will split into two six-team divisions as the Southeastern Conference has done. A post-season game between each division winner could net \$2 million.

But it might mean losing the SWC's Cotton Bowl spot or the Big Eight's spot in the Orange Bowl.

"There is strong interest in two champions," Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds said, "and fitting that to the bowl structure...The playoff and two bowls makes more money. But we've had two conferences and two champions for a long time. Why not continue to have two champions instead of dropping it to one?"

School officials are still looking into other issues for their new league, including scheduling, marketing, divisional structure and size of conference, which will begin playing football in the 1996 season.

The next meeting will take place in mid-May in the Kansas City, Mo., site of the Big Eight headquarters.

### BASKETBALL

**WACO** (AP) — For the second time in as many years, Baylor has fired women's basketball coach Pam Bowers.

Bowers was let go Monday after working under a one-year oral agreement fashioned after she successfully appealed her initial dismissal on May 24, 1993.

"For reasons communicated to her today, the university does not plan to offer a new contract," according to the Baylor sports information office in a release late Monday afternoon.

Bowers became a controversial player in the school's athletic department last year when she made complaints about the men's team that led to an investigation resulting in four players missing the 1993-94 season.

The Southwest Conference and Baylor are to announce on Thursday the status of the investigations into the eligibility of the four players, all of whom transferred from junior colleges.

Bowers' contract expires May 31. She just completed her 15th season at Baylor and compiled a record of 168 victories and 257 losses, including a 50-128 mark in SWC play.

The Bears were 13-14 last season and 4-10 in the SWC.

Her only winning seasons were 16-11 in 1981-82, 16-14 in 1982-83 and 15-12 in 1983-84.

Baylor athletic director Dick Ellis said the school will initiate a nationwide search for a replacement.

Baylor president Herbert Reynolds said earlier this month that SWC officials would be in Waco for two weeks to talk about the four players, who sat out this past season while the investigations continued.

The players are Jason Ervin, Tyrone Davis, Shannon Brantley and Marcus Thompson. Ervin, Davis and Brantley attended State Fair Community College in Sedalia, Mo. Thompson is from Westark Junior College in Fort Smith, Ark.

Ellis said Baylor will look for a coach who can lead the Bears to greater achievements and successes.

## Power struggle continues between JJ boys

### Questions remain unanswered after meeting at Cowboys' practice facility

By DENNE H. FREEMAN  
AP Sports Writer

**IRVING** (AP) — The feuding JJ boys met face-to-face again today in their power struggle to determine the future of the Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys.

Jimmy Johnson and club owner Jerry Jones talked for 2 1/2 hours Monday and discussed the past. But neither would say Johnson is still the coach of the Cowboys.

Both returned to the team's Valley Ranch offices this morning and resumed their talks shortly after 9 a.m. CST.

Johnson, who was dressed in a three-piece suit, declined comment to the mob of reporters camped outside the team offices.

"Nothing has been resolved," the coach said Monday. "We'll be back again tomorrow to discuss where we go from here. We basically talked about the last five years and were candid about our feelings."

"Jimmy and I had an extensive visit," Jones said. "It was a real opportunity to discuss the last 5 1/2 years. He was very thorough, but nothing was resolved at all."

"We discussed the positive and the negatives of the past and how we had worked together. Today we talked about the past."

Tomorrow, we talk about the future, and that's all I've got to say."

Jones was then asked the same question Johnson was asked earlier, whether Johnson is still the coach. He declined to answer.

It was their first face-to-face meeting since their high-profile battle escalated early last week during an NFL meeting in Orlando, Fla.

But those close to the men declined to predict Johnson's future with the Super Bowl champions.

Quarterback Troy Aikman met for an hour each with Jones and Johnson after a morning workout but said, "I have no sense of the way it's going to go."

Aikman said he was called into Jones' office after he, on his own initiative, visited Johnson.

"I told both of them what I felt and I left it at that. ... I know nothing more than I ever have," he said.

"I don't think they know for sure yet what's going to take place. These are two intelligent adults and they can solve their own problems," Aikman said. "But both of them are very volatile. I try not to be shocked by anything that happens around here."

Aikman, who guided the team

to its consecutive Super Bowl victories, said Saturday he might not have signed his eight-year, \$50 million contract last December if he had known Johnson's future with the team was uncertain.

The latest battle in the rocky relationship between the former college teammates erupted last week at the NFL's annual spring meetings when Jones discussed firing Johnson during a late-evening conversation over drinks.

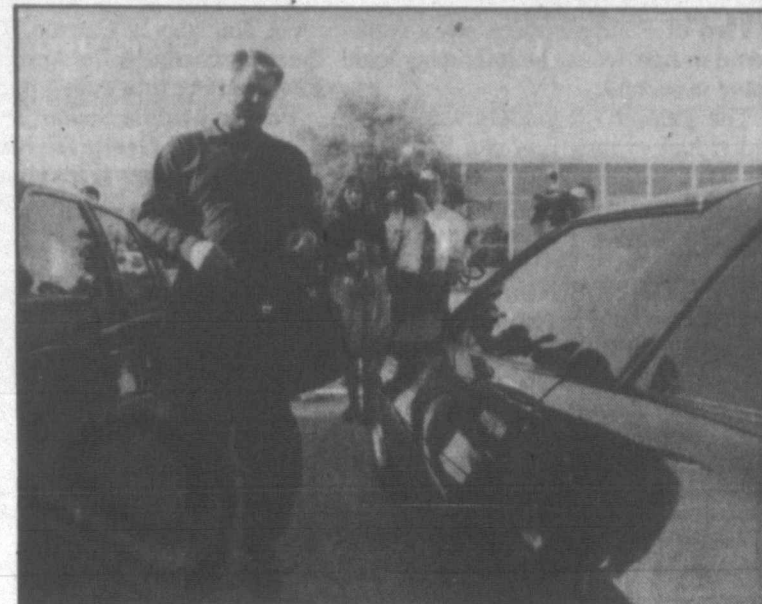
That conversation came shortly after a perceived snub of Jones after the owner proposed a toast at a table where Johnson sat at a table of six, including two former Cowboys officials that Jones had fired.

Johnson said he was infuriated that Jones went so far as to mention former University of Oklahoma coach Barry Switzer as a possible successor.

Asked about the possibility of Switzer as coach of the Cowboys, Aikman said, "I think Barry would be a pretty good NFL coach, but maybe not here for this situation."

Though the feud has dominated the headlines since, Aikman said there was much more to it than Orlando.

"It would be easy to say what happened in Orlando was an isolated situation. But you have to realize that is not the case. It goes way beyond Coach John-



Jimmy Johnson walks to his car after meeting with Cowboys' owner Jerry Jones Monday. (AP photo)

son's coaching ability." Among the options reportedly being mulled were Johnson signing an agreement to stay through this season and Jones buying out Johnson's contract.

Johnson, who makes \$1 million annually, has five years left on his 10-year contract. Nearly 100 reporters, some left over from the NCAA Midwest Regional tournament that was played at Reunion Arena last weekend, hawked the team office hallways Monday awaiting word from the two main players in the Cowboys back-to-back Super Bowl Championships.

Also watching were the players and coaching staff. "We've been evaluating film

on the draft," said defensive coordinator Butch Davis, a leading candidate to become head coach if Johnson doesn't return for the 1994 season.

"We visited briefly with Jimmy, but we know nothing about what's going to happen. We're waiting and watching just like everybody else."

Asked if he could play for another coach besides Johnson, Aikman replied, "I'm paid to be a football player."

Fans carrying signs patrolled outside Valley Ranch. One made reference to Jones and his Arkansas background.

"When hillbillies get hangovers this is what happens," the sign said.

## Another gold medal weekend



Hurdler-high jumper Mechelle Abbott of Pampa loosens up before last weekend's finals in the Deaf Smith County Invitational in Hereford. Abbott, a junior, won four gold medals as the Lady Harvesters captured their fourth track meet this season. Abbott and her teammates compete at Borger this Saturday. (Pampa News photo)

## Harvesters open district baseball season today

The Pampa Harvesters take an 11-3 pre-district record into today's District 1-4A baseball opener against the Randall Raiders, one of the state's top 4A teams.

Todd Finney (6-0) will start on the mound in the 4:30 p.m. contest at Harvester Stadium. Jason Reep is tentatively scheduled to be Randall's starting pitcher.

The Harvesters were in Oklahoma over the weekend where they split a games with Shattuck and Sayre in gale-like weather conditions. Each game was called after five innings because of cold temperatures and strong winds.

In the opener, Danny Frye (4-1) hurled a one-hitter as Pampa won, 4-1, over Shattuck. Rene Armentariz for Pampa allowed two unearned runs

on two hits in a 2-0 Sayre victory.

"It was one of those days when you hit a fly-ball and it just went straight up," said Pampa coach Dennis Doughty.

"One of the reasons we didn't pitch Todd in Oklahoma was because the weather was so miserable and we didn't want to take a chance on him hurting his arm. Had the weather been nice, we would have thrown him a couple of innings to keep him sharp."

Shortstop Joel Ferland, second baseman Ryan Cook and Finney, who started at shortstop against Shattuck, played some outstanding defense, Doughty said.

Caprock is at Borger and Dumas hosts Hereford in other district openers today.

## Vanderbilt downs Kansas State to advance to NIT championship game

By CHRIS SHERIDAN  
AP Sports Writer

**NEW YORK** (AP) — Not much of an encore by Askia Jones.

The Kansas State senior, coming off an astounding 62-point game against Fresno State in the NIT quarterfinals, managed only 17 points Monday night as the Wildcats lost to Vanderbilt 82-76.

The Commodores (20-11) advanced to Wednesday night's final against the winner of Monday night's Villanova-Siena game.

Billy McCaffrey scored 28 points and Ronnie McMahan 27, and each helped guard Jones in Vanderbilt's matchup zone.

"I've been challenged to guard the best off-guard on the other team all year," McMahan said. "I just tried to crowd him, and I thought we did a good job containing him."

Jones, a 6-foot-5 guard who leads Kansas State in scoring at 22 points per game, agreed.

"They scouted us well, and they smothered us well on our screens. I popped out for 3s, but I couldn't get open because they switched so well in their zone. When I did get open

enough to shoot some 3s, they were contested," said Jones, who was 4-for-11 from the field, including 1-for-6 from 3-point range.

Meanwhile, McCaffrey and McMahan were too strong offensively for Kansas State (20-13), which was led by point guard Anthony Beane with 19 points.

McCaffrey and McMahan freed themselves for jumpers or went around the defense to score on drives through the lane. And when they weren't scoring, 6-foot-10 center Chris Lawson was. He finished with 14 points and combined with McCaffrey and McMahan to score 46 of Vanderbilt's 50 points after half-time.

"We had good balance tonight, and offensively we did a great job," Vandy coach Jan van Breda Kolff said. "Ronnie and Billy were tremendous in the second half."

The Commodores outshot Kansas State 57 percent to 38 from the field. There were 49 fouls, but neither team had an unfair advantage.

Jones gave Kansas State a 49-47 lead with his most impressive play of the night, a baseline drive and dunk with 14:08 left. Kansas State twice got the lead

up to five, but Vanderbilt came back with an 8-0 run to lead 65-62 with seven minutes left. The Wildcats stayed close with foul shots, but didn't get the deficit below two in the final 6 1/2 minutes.

McCaffrey hit two foul shots with 54 seconds left to put Vanderbilt ahead 80-73, but Deryl Cunningham made a 3-pointer with 26 seconds left to cut the deficit to four.

Vanderbilt, however, used a long inbounds pass to set up Frank Seakar for an uncontested layup that wrapped up the victory.

"It's a difficult loss for our team," K-State coach Dana Altman said. "We didn't take them out of their offense like we thought we would, and we gave up too many points. The turning point was that 8-0 run which we couldn't seem to overcome."

The loss ended Kansas State's 16-game winning streak against non-Big Eight teams, a streak dating to a season-opening loss to Southern Mississippi.

Cunningham finished with 12 points and Demond Davis and Belvis Noland had 10 each for Kansas State, which will play in a consolation game Wednesday.

## Duke struggled earlier at Final Four site

By TOM FOREMAN Jr.  
AP Sports Writer

**DURHAM, N.C.** (AP) — Duke's previous trip to Charlotte may be the biggest reason that the Blue Devils are going back there this week.

Earlier this month, coach Mike Krzyzewski's team struggled to beat Clemson in its first-round game in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament at the Charlotte Coliseum. Duke played poorly in the semifinals and was eliminated by Virginia.

Krzyzewski said Monday that he saw the downfall coming, and it may be that premonition that helped him prepare Duke for its seventh Final Four trip in nine seasons.

"There was nobody who was more down about our performance in Charlotte than me," Krzyzewski said at his Final Four news conference. "I knew what was happening and I couldn't change it."

He pinned the problem on mental fatigue as well as the notion of resting on team laurels.

"We got into that bad habit of wanting to stay back

with success instead of pursuing the next opportunity to have success," Krzyzewski said. "We spent a lot of time talking individually and collectively about that, and the kids agreed."

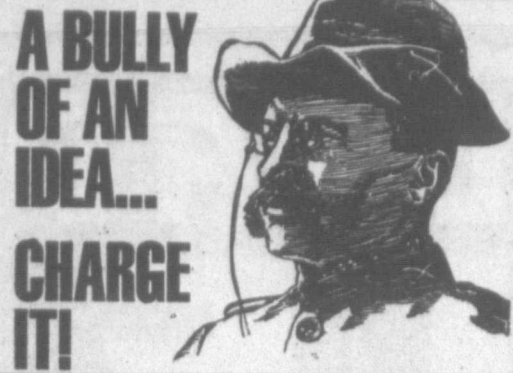
There's one positive precedent in Duke's future. The last time the Final Four was played in North Carolina, a North Carolina team won — North Carolina State, which ended UCLA's long run of tournament success.

Duke (27-5) will play Florida (29-7) in the second game of Saturday's double-header after Arkansas (29-3) and Arizona (29-5) open things at 5:42 p.m.

"They kind of mirror each other," coach Pat Kennedy of Florida State said of the two teams. Kennedy, whose Seminoles lost twice to Duke and split with Florida, gave the Blue Devils a slight edge. "They've been there before," he said.

Duke didn't exactly stumble into this year's Final Four, despite the unimpressive showing in the ACC tournament. It finished atop the league in the regular season at 12-4, with the losses coming to Wake Forest and North Carolina.





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Lee Ann Stark takes care of horses Blackie and Spider in the 1100 block of Farley, a chore usually performed by her husband, Lee Stark, an employee of Scarab Manufacturing in White Deer. But her husband sometimes gets so busy with his work, including some out-of-town assignments, that she takes over the feeding and care of the horses when he's unable to do so. (Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

## One year into job, France's premier endures protests over unemployment

By PATRICK McDOWELL  
Associated Press Writer

PARIS (AP) — With the tear gas barely cleared from France's most widespread protests in two decades, Premier Edouard Balladur retreated Monday and suspended a law that allowed employers to pay younger workers less than the minimum wage.

Hundreds of thousands of young people had poured into the streets over the past three weeks to protest the wage law. Hundreds of police officers were injured and hundreds of students arrested.

At the end of Balladur's first year in power, the French are losing patience. They want the conservative prime minister to reduce France's record 12.2 percent unemployment without jeopardizing the pay and job security of those who have work.

If Balladur can't cut unemployment in the coming year, he may lose his front-runner status in the race to succeed President Francois Mitterrand.

Balladur met with students Monday after a week of refusing to compromise on the wage law, intended to bring down 25 percent unemployment among youths.

Street battles between students and police in Paris on Friday made it clear they would not give up their fight and return peacefully to class. Balladur said Sunday he was ready

for a new dialogue with students, an announcement widely interpreted as a retreat.

On Monday, the government announced a one-week suspension of the law and promised to study alternatives. Student leaders, however, demanded the plan be scrapped entirely and said they would go ahead with a protest in the capital Thursday.

"The government retreated today, but not all the way," said student leader Bob Inje. "We call on our comrades to remain vigilant."

In scattered actions Monday, students blocked a Paris highway interchange and occupied a university amphitheater to stop a government minister from speaking.

The government's shift on the wage plan is the latest example of Balladur backing down from the tough medicine he says is needed to bring France's economy out of recession and create new jobs.

Balladur built a reputation for firmness by launching a vast privatization of French industry and starting down the United States on farm and film subsidies in world trade talks last year.

But his credibility was hurt when he withdrew a cost-cutting plan for Air France to appease strikers, pledged aid to fishermen who rioted over falling prices, and retracted a plan to increase state funding to private schools in the face of a massive protest.

Students and trade unions, aware of Balladur's past about-faces, pushed him hard on the wage law, which would have let employers pay 20 percent less than the minimum wage to workers under age 25 if they provided some kind of training.

The protests, which flared in small towns and cities across France, were the most widespread since the May 1968 student riots that nearly brought down the government.

Balladur, elected in a landslide, was sworn in last March 29 with a mandate to bring down unemployment. So far, he has failed to do so and has said his programs will take time to pay off.

He got a boost this weekend when the right's dominance was reaffirmed in local elections. But patience seems to be wearing thin. Polls show Balladur's once-record approval ratings falling below 50 percent.

With one in eight workers jobless, Balladur is under pressure from his own huge majority in parliament to put people back to work. His deadline: the May 1995 presidential elections.

Balladur wrote in *Le Figaro* magazine this week that he intends to stay the course.

"The real question for the coming year," he said, "is whether the policies of reform undertaken since 1993 will usher in a new era or merely be a footnote in our history."

## Fugitive former judge found dead in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A fugitive former judge was found dead in an apparent suicide more than four years after being charged with stealing \$1.8 million entrusted to him in his private law practice.

John C. Fairbanks, 70, of New Hampshire was identified through fingerprints after being found in a hotel room, Coroner Ron Flud said Monday.

He disappeared on Dec. 28, 1989, a day after he was indicted. An extensive investigation yielded few clues, despite the help of national TV crime programs such as *America's Most Wanted*.

Fairbanks checked into the MGM Grand Hotel on Thursday under another name and overstayed the two nights he paid for, Metro Police Homicide Sgt. Bill Keeton said. Hotel employees entered the room Sunday afternoon and found him with a plastic bag over his head, Keeton said.

"He left a note that can be interpreted as a suicide note," Keeton

said. "In the note he said his real name was John Fairbanks, and to contact a son in Denver for positive ID."

Flud said an autopsy was being conducted to determine the cause of death.

The indictment charged that for more than five years, Fairbanks transferred into his personal accounts money entrusted to him by clients or belonging to beneficiaries of trusts and heirs of estates that were administered by him.

At least 25 former clients or their estates — including three of his sisters, insurance companies, a bank and the town of Washington, N.H. — filed claims totaling more than \$6 million. Some of his clients were elderly retired people who entrusted their life savings to him.

In 1991, claimants settled for about 15 cents on the dollar. The money came from a state fund set aside to cover fraud by attorneys, and from the Fairbanks family.

Fairbanks resigned after more

than 30 years as a Newport District Court judge in June 1989. He also tried to resign from the state bar, but the New Hampshire Supreme Court would not accept his resignation so it could retain disciplinary jurisdiction. It did suspend him from practicing law.

"It would have been better for him to have faced the courts than to end up this way," said Soterios Saggiotes, Fairbanks' friend and business associate.

Sullivan County Attorney Marc Hathaway said: "Are we glad it's over? Sure, but it's a great tragedy that it had to end this way."

Hathaway has said that the case made the residents of Newport, a town of about 6,100, leery of lawyers and the judicial system.

"He was a trusted local attorney who took the opportunity afforded by that trust to make himself millions of dollars through theft," state Rep. Peter Burling of Cornish once said. "And he stole from the weakest and most vulnerable people."

## Health commissioner wants another look at collagen

HOUSTON (AP) — State Health Commissioner David Smith has asked for another federal review of possible connections between collagen injections and potentially deadly autoimmune disorders.

Smith sent a letter to U.S. Food and Drug Administration Commissioner David Kessler asking for a probe of possibly negative effects of injecting bovine collagen into the skin, the *Houston Chronicle* reported Monday.

Collagen, a product of Palo Alto, Calif.-based Collagen Corp., was first approved for the market in 1981. Approved uses of collagen are mostly cosmetic, including the filling of pits from acne scars and wrinkles.

Smith's letter, dated Jan. 21, specifically asks that the FDA study Collagen Corp.'s records of

patients' adverse reactions to the substance. He also wants the Texas Department of Health division of food and drugs included in obtaining and reviewing the records.

Federal officials have not yet replied to the request.

Dan Jolivet, director of research at Collagen Corp., said Smith is only "resurrecting old information."

He said there have been only two reports of polymyositis or dermatomyositis from collagen patients since 1991 and that company studies indicate either that the patients don't have the diseases or they are not linked to collagen.

Jolivet said the company stands behind its product and doesn't understand why Smith wants to rekindle the 5-year-old controversy.

The company says the FDA

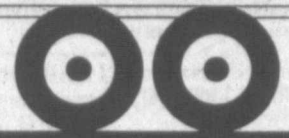
inspected its records in 1991. Jolivet said those files remain open now, but not to the Texas agency.

"We would draw the line" on allowing state officials access to the files," he said.

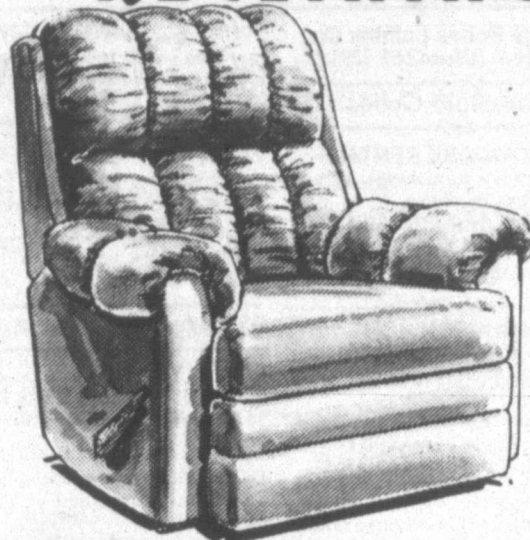
Smith's letter to the FDA cited government policy toward breast implants, which have been linked to autoimmune diseases.

"The FDA's response to the possible-but-unproven risk of autoimmune disease for breast implant patients was to remove them from the open market; the FDA's response to the well-documented elevated risk of autoimmune disease for bovine collagen implant patients was to require disclosure of this association in the warnings on the product package insert," the letter says.

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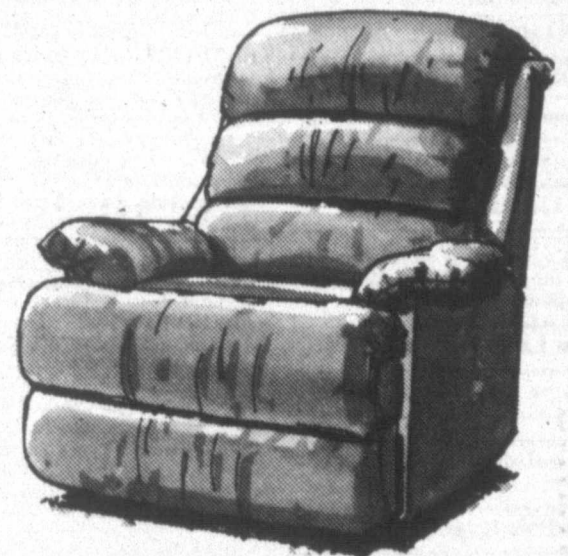
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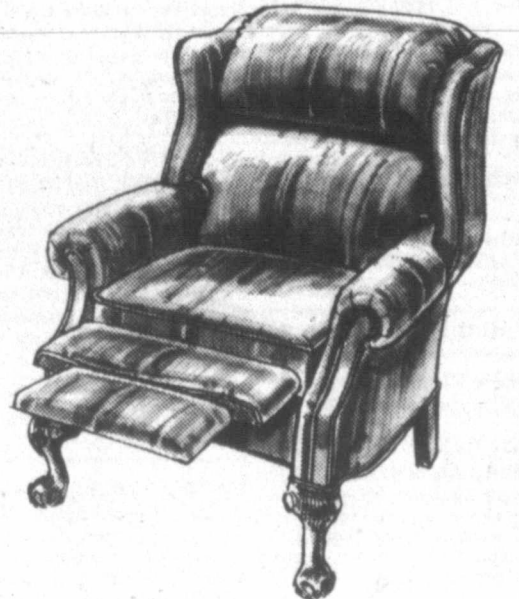
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