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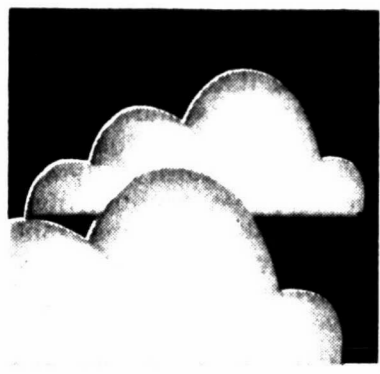
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PAMPA — The Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will be providing a new round of first aid and CPR classes this month.

A standard first aid class will be held Friday, Sept. 15. Another standard first aid class will be offered Friday, Sept. 29.

On Wednesday, Sept. 20, an infant child CPR class will be offered. An adult CPR class will be held Friday, Sept. 22.

All classes begin at 6 p.m. in the Red Cross building, 108 N. Russell. For more information or to register for the classes, call the Red Cross office at 669-7121.

PAMPA — Pampa High School will host an open house for parents and guardians of PHS students Thursday beginning at 7 p.m.

Parents and guardians will follow the same schedule as their student's class schedules. The classes will last 10 minutes each, with a parent question and answer session following in the auditorium.

Students will bring their schedules and room numbers home Thursday afternoon.

The schedule is as follows:
• 7-7:15 p.m. — 1st period
• 7:15-7:25 p.m. — 2nd period

• 7:30-7:40 p.m. — 3rd period
• 7:45-7:55 p.m. — 4th period

• 8-8:30 p.m. — Parent question and answer session.

PAMPA — The Local Emergency Planning Committee will meet Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Items on the agenda include a report from the training committee, a review of a video entitled "Risk and the LEPC" and discussion of the future role of the Gray County LEPC in local communities.

Meetings are open to the public.

PAMPA — The Celebration of Lights project committee will have a meeting at 7 p.m. today at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

All those serving on committees are encouraged to attend the meeting, as well as those interested in working on the Christmas holiday lights project.

AUSTIN (AP) — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 8-16-24-25-36 and 45.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$10 million.

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NATO: Serbs facing more missile strikes

NAPLES, Italy (AP) — Tomahawk cruise missiles that hurtled from the USS Normandy into northwestern Bosnia caused "severe damage" to Serb air defenses, but more attacks will be needed, NATO said today.

The missiles damaged the Serbs' anti-aircraft system but did not destroy it, said Group Capt. Trevor Murray. He said attacks will continue until the threat to NATO pilots is removed.

The 13 missiles fired late Sunday targeted radar, surface-to-air missile sites and communications stations around the Bosnian Serb stronghold of Banja Luka.

"There are indications that we caused severe damage to some of those targets," Murray said.

He did not say whether more cruise missile attacks were planned, but would not rule them out. "If suitable, we may well use (Tomahawks) again, as we will use other types of weapons," Murray said.

In its first public assessment of the damage, NATO refused to give details of what the missiles hit.

The Bosnian Serbs met the attacks with defiance, calling them "a significant and dramatic escalation" and warning that more such strikes would only hurt efforts to end the 3 1/2-year-old war.

"If the attacks continue, they

will endanger the peace process," Serb spokesman Jovan Zametica said in the Bosnian Serb stronghold of Pale, just southeast of Sarajevo.

None of the \$1.3 million cruise missiles were fired today, but NATO warplanes continued to bombard Serb positions around Bosnia.

Several jets were heard before dawn over Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital, followed by large explosions. More jets roared over Mount Igman to the southwest, showering flares to deflect anti-aircraft fire.

The Bosnian Serb military said "dozens of planes" were in the air all morning, bombing around Sarajevo and Banja Luka.

The Serbs said today's attacks killed two civilians in Teslic, 30 miles southeast of Banja Luka, and wounded three. Since NATO began bombing Serb targets Aug. 30 in retaliation for the shelling of a Sarajevo marketplace, the Serbs have claimed between 100 and 200 civilians have been killed.

They also claimed that "numerous" civilians were killed and wounded around Banja Luka on Sunday, but did not mention the cruise missiles. The statement said power and water stations were destroyed, but gave no details.

Murray said NATO had no indication that the missiles killed civilians.

Juvenile Probation Board approves '95-'96 budget

Gray County juvenile probation officials today approved a \$157,807 budget for the upcoming year. Of the total, Gray County's portion is \$66,137.31.

The probation board also approved renewal of a contract with Pecos County for juvenile detention. The contract is the same as prior years, said Chief Juvenile Probation Officer Albert Nichols, except Pecos authorities want no girls and will only accept boys on a space available basis.

In other discussion, Nichols was encouraged to investigate the possibility of using state funds for an on-campus boot camp at Pampa Middle School,

similar to the type used in Conroe.

Nichols told board members County Judge Richard Peet and District Judges Kent Sims and Lee Waters he believes there is a chance recently appropriated juvenile funds may be used to hire degreed personnel for boot camp instructors.

Waters told Nichols to contact Pampa school superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr for the district's position and state juvenile officials to see if the money may be applied for before a plan is in place.

An executive session to discuss personnel followed the meeting. No action was taken.

Country Fair drawing tickets



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Jack Skelly, left, gives \$100 to Mary McDaniel, chairperson of the drawing tickets for the upcoming Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Country Fair fundraiser. A kick-off luncheon for the drawing tickets committee will be held Friday at noon in the Nona Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building. The 24-member drawing tickets sales team will present several options for purchase of the \$100 tickets so that more people than ever may participate. More information will be provided after the Friday meeting.

Pampa Guardsmen continue training

More than 500 members of the Texas Army National Guard's 2nd Battalion, 142nd Infantry from units throughout the Panhandle, Midland and Lubbock — including Company D from the Pampa area — are getting specialized combat training at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif.

The facility, known as the world's most modern military training center, is located in the center of the Mojave Desert.

According to Texas National Guard officials in Austin, the Texas Guardsmen are learning how to win in combat by multi-training exercises that simulate war situations through the use of computers and multiple high-tech tools.

Commander of the 49th

Armored Division, Maj. Gen. Edgar Murphy of Lubbock, termed the training as the "cream of the crop" for mechanized infantry battalions.

"This course is credited with training the victorious Americans who fought in Desert Storm, and I am pleased that Texas Guardsmen will have the same, high quality experience, should they ever be called to war," he said.

Murphy said the Texans were selected for the intensive training because of their high level of readiness and reputation as an excellent mechanized battalion.

"Our soldiers in the Guard take their job very seriously and this training will put them over the top in their combat expertise," he said.

Texas Guardsmen receiving the training represent units at Lubbock, Plainview, Amarillo, Big Spring, Brownfield, Midland and Pampa. They are training under simulated combat conditions. Maj. Gen. Murphy said the training could save their lives in the future.

"The harsh desert environment permits our soldiers to sharpen their fighting skills in the most realistic situation outside of actual combat," he said.

Fort Irwin is the largest training facility in the United States and uses computers and skilled opposing forces to create perplexing tactical problems in the mock war exercises, Murphy explained.

The Guardsmen will return from California to their hometown units on Sept. 26.

Pampa deputy recalls rescue of Apollo 13 astronauts

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff writer

The chief deputy of the Gray County Sheriff's Office hasn't been to see the hit summer movie *Apollo 13* yet, even though he lived part of it.

Charlie Morris, born and reared in San Luis Obispo County, Calif., married an Amarillo girl in 1965 and moved to the Texas Panhandle. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1966.

Trained as a coxswain on amphibious assault landing craft, Morris spent several tours in Vietnam before becoming involved in the space program. Stationed aboard the USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2), he witnessed the safe return of the three Apollo 13 astronauts to earth after an aborted moon walk mission in April of 1970.

"We even had the isolation compartment on board, but they never used it," Morris said.

The isolation compartment was what appeared to be a modified Airstream trailer used to isolate astronauts after they returned to earth from walking



Charlie Morris

on the moon, but since the Apollo 13 astronauts never left their space ship, there was no need for the isolation compartment.

Morris was finishing his four-year hitch in the Navy on the Iwo Jima as the ship steamed near American Samoa in the

Pacific waiting for the return of the astronauts.

Morris said the ship had been directed to the recovery area by a then new satellite navigation system.

"It was new at that time," he said. "It was so accurate that I was afraid that we were going to have to back off we were so close."

Morris started training as an assault boat coxswain at Coronado, Calif., after finishing boot camp across the bay at San Diego.

"I never flipped a boat," he said proudly, reliving his time in the turbulent surf of Southern California.

From there, he joined an LST, an amphibious assault ship off the coast of Vietnam.

After a tour aboard the landing ship at Vung Tau, Republic of Vietnam, he transferred to the helicopter carrier.

As a signalman second class aboard the helicopter aircraft carrier, he stood watching for the first signs of the Apollo 13 capsule. The ship and its crew underwent two and a half

months of training for the mission, and a variety of special equipment was stowed aboard in addition to the unused isolation compartment.

"They told us there would be two sonic booms when the capsule re-entered the atmosphere," Morris said.

After the booms echoed out over the broad blue Pacific Ocean, Morris said they looked up and saw the capsule.

"We were close enough that we saw the three parachutes deploy," he said.

Morris said everyone was anxious, but since the ship was at sea and steaming to the recovery area, they were unaware of all the problems that the space shot had encountered.

"We were aware that there had been an explosion on board," he said, "and that the mission on the moon had been aborted, but that's all."

The Apollo crew had orbited around the moon instead of landing on the lunar surface as planned and had returned to earth following a near devastating accident.

There was relief and happiness when the ill-fated astronauts finally made it aboard the ship.

Morris had created the flag that hung across the bridge of the helicopter aircraft carrier to note the historic event.

"I made it heavy," he grinned. "There wasn't a breeze strong enough to make that thing fly."

Using the insignia of the ship, a flying alligator, Morris added a cut-out of the Apollo 13 capsule and put a catcher's mitt on the 'gator.

Morris said a helicopter from the Iwo Jima flew out to the space capsule floating in the water and hoisted the Apollo crew of three on board while the ship maneuvered to recover the capsule. Another helicopter dispatched Navy frogmen to put an inflatable collar around the capsule to keep it afloat.

"They looked really tired and worn when they got out of the helicopter on the flight deck," he said of the trio of astronauts. "Everybody was really happy. We were all standing around cheering."

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Gingrich outlines Republican plans to reform Medicare

WASHINGTON (AP) — Affluent retirees would have to pay more in Medicare premiums as part of the Republican plan to reform the health care program for senior Americans, House Speaker Newt Gingrich says.

Gingrich, speaking Sunday on NBC's *Meet the Press*, said the GOP proposal for revamping Medicare to be announced this week would begin means testing for senior couples earning about \$125,000 a year or more.

"We may well phase out starting at about \$125,000 for a couple the subsidy from the government for the Part B premium," he said. Part B is the portion of Medicare that pays for doctor bills and lab tests.

Gingrich said the proposal would also seek to maintain the 31.5 percent share seniors must now pay for Part B costs rather than allow that share to dip to 25 percent, as called for under current law.

Democrats say keeping the current percentage could mean the doubling of premiums, now \$46.10 a month, but Gingrich said the GOP plan would result in extra costs of about \$7 a month for each senior citizen.

Republicans are trying to cut \$270 billion from projected Medicare spending as part of their effort to balance the budget by 2002. President Clinton has also acknowledged that the health care system

needs reform to avert financial insolvency and has proposed shaving \$124 billion from doctor and hospital fees to help balance the budget.

Clinton suggested means testing for Part B premiums last year as part of his health care reform campaign but has since backed away from the idea.

A Republican Senate leader, Majority Whip Trent Lott of Mississippi, said on CBS' *Face the Nation* that means testing should be on the agenda. "I would certainly give serious consideration to it," he said.

Gingrich said the Republican plan also includes giving senior citizens greater options in health care, including staying with the current system, moving

into health maintenance organizations, staying with group insurance plans or joining medical savings accounts.

Gingrich praised Clinton for recognizing the need to reform Medicare and said he was ready to work with the president on the details of a reform package.

The White House and congressional leaders are to meet Tuesday to discuss Medicare and other issues, and White House spokesman Mike McCurry said in a statement that Clinton looks forward to meeting with Gingrich and other senior lawmakers and "wants to move forward on all issues relative to balancing the budget."

Former President Bush urges consultation, not confrontation with China

BEIJING (AP) — The Clinton administration should patch up relations with China through quiet diplomacy, and promote its transformation into an economic power, former President Bush said today.

"I think we need more consultation and ... less confrontation," Bush told an international business conference.

"The United States should take the lead in encouraging China to assume a political and economic role commensurate with its growing weight in the region, indeed, in the world," he said.

U.S.-Chinese relations, strained by disputes over trade, arms and human rights, were deeply wounded in May when Washington let President Lee Teng-hui of Taiwan attend his college reunion in the United States. China regards Taiwan as a breakaway province and its government as illegitimate.

Tentative moves to stabilize relations may have been set back when Hillary Rodham Clinton used her speech at the U.N. women's conference in Beijing last week to attack repression in China.

Bush, who was the top U.S. diplomat in China from 1974-75, made personal diplomacy and quiet negotiations the hallmark of his China policy while in the White House. He recommended

the same course to President Clinton.

"The United States should renew the strategic dialogue with China that establishes the new and sustainable foundation for cooperation," he said.

"I believe visits between leaders can be very important," he added. The two governments have said an October summit is possible, but China is pressing the United States to promise to shun Taiwan's independence movement.

Bush, now a Houston resident, was speaking to the World Food Production Conference as part of a private Asian tour that also includes speeches in Vietnam and Japan. He has refused to meet with reporters.

Since arriving Friday, he has met with President Jiang Zemin and Premier Li Peng, and said he believes they recognize the "fundamental importance to them" of the U.S.-China relationship.

The official Xinhua News Agency quoted Bush as telling Jiang that he would try his best to improve relations.

While he was in office, Democrats accused Bush of being too soft on China's human rights abuses. Bush replied Monday, as he did then, that China now has far more liberties than it did several decades ago.

Harvesters tailgate picnic



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Members of the 20th Century Forum Study Club will hold their annual tailgate picnic before the first Harvesters home game Friday at 5 p.m. in the teachers' parking lot at Pampa High School. Advance tickets — \$5 for adults, \$3 for children — can be purchased by contacting Karen Bridges at 665-5145. Tickets will be sold at the picnic on a first-come, first-serve basis. Proceeds from the picnic will be used to fund the club's annual scholarship.

Conference negotiators reach accord

BEIJING (AP) — The head of a U.N. women's conference predicted success for the gathering today after negotiators reached accords on women's sexual freedom and abortion.

The agreements would recognize for the first time that women have the right to control their own sexuality and would ask governments to review laws punishing women who have abortions. It does not seek to legalize abortion.

"It allows governments and women's groups 'around the world to really work at the national level at how we apply human rights in our sexual lives,'" said Rachael Kye, policy analyst with the New York-based International Women's Health Coalition.

"The world has been talking about reproduction in terms of population control for over 20 years, but nobody's really ever talked about sex," she said.

Nils Daulaire of the U.S. delegation said winning inclusion of the language was "terribly difficult," and that the

Americans were pleased with it. Chinese security tried today to break up a news conference by exiled Tibetan women and foreign delegates supporting the Tibetan cause. In another incident, guards surrounded and tried to shoo away a group of exiled Iranian women protesting on the conference grounds.

It was the latest run-in with Chinese security for the Tibetan women, who traveled from Canada, the United States and Australia to participate in a forum of private activists held in concert with the U.N. meeting.

Debate at both gatherings has at times embarrassed China, which last week sharply rebuked foreign delegates who had made negative comments about Beijing's policies.

Today, China's official news agency, Xinhua, praised speakers who had "followed the theme of the conference" for their "constructive attitudes."

None of the previous criticisms, including Hillary Rodham

Clinton's strongly worded comments on the repression of human rights, have been reported in China's official press.

As the Fourth World Conference on Women entered its final days, delegates from 189 member-states were still working on some contentious issues: parental responsibility over teenage access to sex education and contraception, money, and sexual orientation.

Conference Secretary-General Gertude Mongella was upbeat today about progress, saying wording on health, human rights, armed conflict and women's economic and political empowerment had been mostly resolved.

"We are definitely on track," she said. The gathering is to end Friday.

The platform settled on at the conference will not be binding, but organizers hope it will serve as an agenda for specific actions by governments. The conference aims to achieve consensus, but governments can register reservations, or objections, to any section.

Endeavour crew: One job down, one to go

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Astronaut James Newman hoisted a saucer-shaped steel satellite from Endeavour's cargo bay today to set the 4,350-pound craft free for two days of electronics research.

Newman maneuvered the jointed shuttle crane to raise the \$25 million Wake Shield Facility from its berthing platform. He held the craft over the side of the cargo bay while ground controllers ran a series of tests.

The satellite was to be released today and picked back up Wednesday after manufacturing seven gallium arsenide semiconductor films.

Physicists expect the 12-foot disk, flying broadside forward, to create an ultraclean vacuum in its wake that should be ideal for growing semiconductor film that is faster and less power-consuming than silicon film now used in electronic equipment such as computers.

Even in the relative vacuum of space, atomic oxygen and other particles can contaminate the delicate process. In the satellite's wake, however, the vacuum is expected to be up to 10,000 times purer than the best laboratory conditions on Earth.

The Wake Shield must fly free of Endeavour to

avoid contamination from shuttle exhaust and waste water.

If the process proves successful, scientists envision using similar satellites in the future to commercially produce next-generation electronic components. The Wake Shield is scheduled for two more shuttle flights over the next three years.

The disk flew aboard Discovery in February 1994 but never made it off the shuttle arm because of wiring and sensor problems. Instead, the craft did its work on the end of the arm, and the resulting films were tainted by Discovery's close proximity.

Endeavour's five astronauts wrapped up work with another satellite on Sunday, retrieving an \$8 million solar-research spacecraft that had been released Friday.

The boxy Spartan satellite was programmed to observe streams of charged particles hurtling from the sun's north pole. Gusts of this so-called solar wind can knock out power plants on Earth and interrupt radio signals.

The satellite was spinning and facing the wrong way, apparently because of a power problem, when Endeavour arrived to pick it up.

WT to host annual Career Day for students

CANYON — Anyone interested in possible career choices, graduate school or a career move will find valuable information at Career Day 1995 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, in the Virgil Henson Activities Center Ballroom on the West Texas A&M University campus.

"Over 90 employers and eight graduate school representatives will be on campus," Carole Boyer, office manager of WTAMU Career Services, said. "The employers will primarily be recruiting seniors and graduates, but will also talk with undergraduate students for future employment needs."

Participants will find information about cooperative education, internships and volunteer opportunities. Professionals will also be able to answer questions about choices in certain majors and the opportunities available.

"Career Services will provide maps for students who wish to target a specific profession," Boyer said. "We encourage students to walk around and visit with professionals and see what they have to offer."

According to Boyer, a room will be provided for companies to conduct personal interviews. Boyer encourages students to

bring their resumes and dress professionally.

"Based on last year's numbers, we expect more than 800 students to visit throughout the day," Boyer said. "Amarillo College students will also be joining WTAMU students."

The event is being co-sponsored by the WTAMU Office of Career Planning and Placement and the Amarillo College Job Placement Office.

The 20th annual WTAMU Career Day is open to the public free of charge. For more information, call the WTAMU Office of Career Services at (806) 656-2345.

State briefs

Amtrak's 'Texas Eagle' makes last run

The "Texas Eagle" has flown into history — slowly.

Amtrak's seven-year-old, thrice-weekly passenger train from Houston to Dallas made its final run Sunday, at a very leisurely pace.

Scheduled as a six-hour 10-minute run, the farewell trip took about nine hours as signal problems and freight traffic on the Southern Pacific rail caused unscheduled delays.

"People ride it once and they get aggravated, and they don't ride again," said conductor Ed Gerich.

As part of an attempt to stem its losses, Amtrak is cutting 24 percent of its national schedule this year, including the Houston-to-Dallas run that made stops in College Station and Corsicana. The national cutback also will result in the loss of 5,550 jobs.

The Eagle's demise has saddened some train enthusiasts and left Amtrak's east-west Sunset Limited as the only passenger train through Houston.

Private railroads stopped the Houston-Dallas run in the late 1960s, but federally supported Amtrak renewed the service in 1988. In the last 12 months, however, only 13,550 people have boarded or disembarked the train in Houston.

Senate majority leader brings campaign to big D

DALLAS (AP) — GOP presidential candidate Bob Dole has collected \$1 million from supporters in his chief rival's home state, but concedes he still has far to go to carry Texas in the primary.

"It's a state so big, I at least want to give it a shot," Dole said Sunday during a campaign stop in Dallas.

Dole refused to go on the offensive, despite what he termed Texas Sen. Phil Gramm's recent "needling."

"All of us in this race are friends. And I believe Ronald Reagan when he invoked the 11th commandment that we shouldn't speak ill about each other. We ought to be out here beating President Clinton. That's what it's all about," Dole said.

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Opinion

Exit Bill Bradley from politics

It is possible to view the announcement from Democratic Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey that he will not seek reelection next year in narrowly partisan and somewhat cynical terms. Sen. Bradley barely won his last reelection campaign in 1990 against an under-financed Christine Todd Whitman, who went on to become the popular GOP governor of New Jersey.

He is said to be frustrated as a member of a minority party that is not likely to control the Senate for the rest of the century - and is even less likely to do so after his announcement. So why not get out of politics now that it is no longer fun?

But with Bill Bradley, one of the few politicians about whom it was possible to imagine that he had an active life of the mind beyond vote-counting, poll reading and political maneuvering, it is tempting to believe that something more profound than simple weariness with an often losing battle is involved. And Sen. Bradley did drop some tantalizing hints that he believes the theory and practice of politics in these United States are at something of a turning point.

Saying he had decided to quit during the process of writing a book about his 18 years in the Senate, Sen. Bradley said, "I realized that I could do more good for the people by being outside the system than inside it. What is possible in politics has been diminished by petty grievances and money."

That's the beginning of an important insight. If he had gone on to note that, paradoxical as it might seem at first, what can be accomplished through politics has been diminished in large part through overreaching - by politicians sticking their noses into areas in which they have no competence and that are none of government's business - he would be onto something.

Many pundits are now wondering whether Bill Bradley, who has said he won't enter Democratic primaries against President Clinton next year, is positioning himself to run for president as an independent, either in 1996 or 2000.

Such a run - perhaps unlikely next year given how difficult the two major parties have made ballot access for independents - would serve as a handy symbol of the unsettled and fluid character of politics in the latter half of the 1990s.

But as interesting as such a race might be, a more hopeful sign would be if Mr. Bradley has genuinely decided that the best hope for future progress in this country lies outside politics, in the independent or private sectors.

We have an only-half-joking suggestion for Mr. Bradley, who first rose to prominence as a basketball player at Princeton and for 10 years with the New York Knicks. Why not be the catalyst for a barnstorming senior basketball tour - the Curmudgeon Cagers? - that would bring together the stars of yore for exhibition games. Wilt Chamberlain has said he could play in the NBA, and maybe he could. He could definitely play with or against such people as Elgin Baylor, Jerry West, Bill Bradley, Walt Frazier, Oscar Robertson, Bill Russell, Cazzie Russell, Gale Goodrich, and well, you get the idea.

People would come. People most definitely would come. Whatever Bill Bradley does next is likely to be done with grace and thoughtfulness. Welcome to the private sector, Sen. Bradley. The water's fine.

Thought for today

"Herein lies the tragedy of the age: not that men are poor - all men know something of poverty; not that men are wicked - who is good? Not that men are ignorant - what is truth? Nay, but that men know so little of men."

William Edward Burghardt DuBois,
The Souls of Black Folk, 1903

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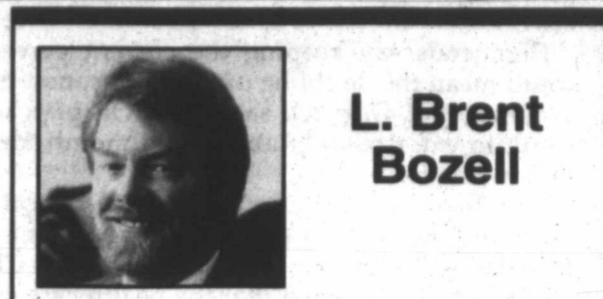
Truth in labeling, indeed...

The flirtatious retirement of Democratic Sen. Bill Bradley, with one wink toward the White House, charmed media that are tiring of Bill Clinton. Time reporter Larry Barrett told Cal Thomas on CNBC that Bradley's "got the right profile - he's sort of in the middle, and he's got integrity." CNN political analyst Bill Schneider announced on *Inside Politics* that "Bradley is one of an endangered species in American politics, a true moderate. In 1981, he voted for the Reagan budget but against the big tax cuts. In 1986, he led the fight for tax reform, arguing that the tax system should not be used either to punish the rich or to reward the special interests."

You have to grant Bradley some points for daring to be different from most Democrats on taxes - ten years ago. But it's typical of television paint-by-numbers political analysis to pick out two or three votes and extrapolate a career. Michael Barone and Grant Ujifusa reported in their 1994 *Almanac of American Politics* that other than Bradley's individual approach to taxes, aid to Russia and federal water policy, "Bradley's record tends to be fairly liberal and partisan Democratic." Indeed, pages later in their book, you can see his liberal Americans for Democratic Action rating was 85% in 1992 and 90% in 1991. The American Conservative Union rated him at 4% in 1992 and 10% in 1991.

Is this just lazy reporting? Not when you watch how they simultaneously label conservatives with pejoratives: "far right," "hard right," "ultraconservative." Other liberal Democratic politicians even less deserving of a "moderate" label than Bradley have benefited from the liberal media's tilted take on the political spectrum.

In a recent edition of *Time* magazine, reporter Jeffrey Birnbaum reported on the latest Ross Perot sideshow:



L. Brent Bozell

"The Democrats can offer only a cacophony of views, ranging from the leftist tract of (Jesse) Jackson to the more centrist perspectives of House minority leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri and Senate minority leader Tom Daschle. Mack McCarty, relatively conservative, will stand in for the President."

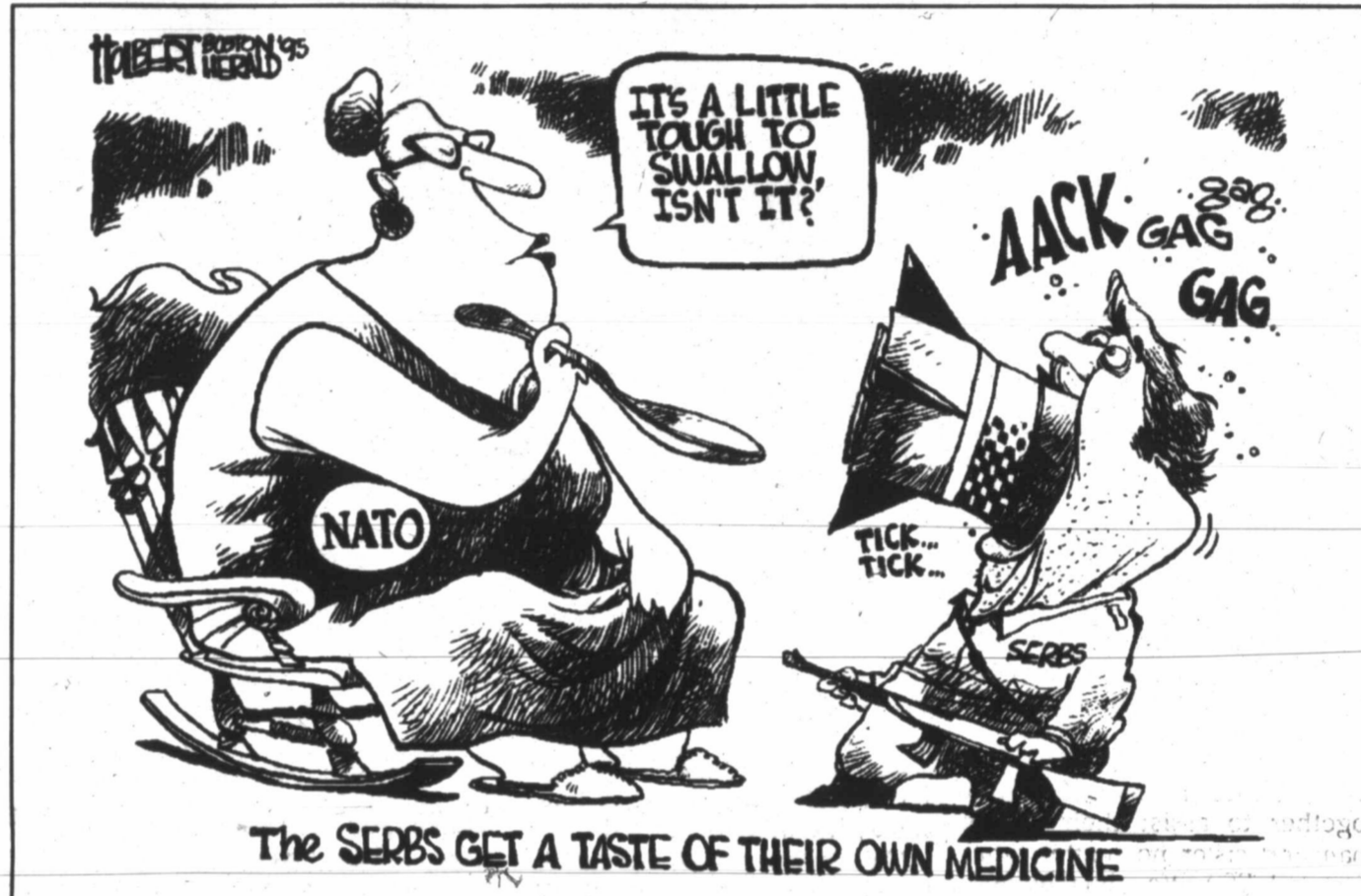
Let's go to the ratings for 1992: In that year, Gephardt's ADA score was 85%, his ACU conservative score zero. Daschle voted correctly 95% of the time, according to the ADA, and 22% by standards of the ACU. To label McCarty "relatively conservative" compared to Jesse Jackson is like calling a Cadillac "relatively inexpensive" compared to a Lamborghini. Besides, do you suppose any reporter can quantify that label other than with the broadest of generalized perceptions?

Labeling Jackson a "leftist" is very rare for *Time*. In a recent appearance on CSPAN, *Time's* Larry Barrett asserted that "Right-wing is a very respectable term in political usage. So is left-wing, which we use quite frequently to describe, say, Jesse Jackson and other members of the most liberal side of the Democratic party." Not so. A search of the Nexis files finds 498 mentions of Jackson in *Time*

magazine since the beginning of 1984 - but only nine with the term "left wing" referring to Jackson. Daschle wasn't the only Senate Democratic leader to be honored with a moderate label. A year ago, *The Wall Street Journal* reported: "Sen. Mitchell and other moderates have narrowed their differences on health care legislation and vowed to press ahead with efforts to pass a bill this year." Mitchell's 1992 scores included a 95% ADA rating - and zero percent from the ACU.

Reporters often seem to confuse the tone or persona of a politician, like the well-modulated Mitchell, with his actual voting record. Democrats look reassuringly bland, while Republicans are harsh and threatening. This trend blossomed most hilariously last New Year's Day in the *Los Angeles Times*. In a preview of the new Republican Congress, the *Times* warned of the "feisty" Bob Dole, the "pugnacious" Al D'Amato, the "most aggressive" Dick Armye, the "political enforcer" Trent Lott and the "partisan warrior" Newt Gingrich. But the Democrats were led by the "mild-mannered" Tom Daschle, the "consensus-oriented" Dick Gephardt and the "team player" David Bonior.

Team player, indeed. The Freedom Forum has found that the number of self-identified Democrats in news rooms is 44%, compared to only 16% Republican. A new *Times Mirror* Center poll found 22% of the reporters they sampled were "liberal" or "very liberal" - compared to just 5% who were "Conservative" or "very conservative." The other 64% answered they were "moderate." That shouldn't be surprising. After all, from the perspective of those who dominate the news rooms, those politicians whose voting records land them firmly on the left are the "true moderates."



The SERBS GET A TASTE OF THEIR OWN MEDICINE

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Monday, Sept. 11, the 254th day of 1995. There are 111 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Sept. 11, 1789, Alexander Hamilton was appointed the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury.

On this date:
In 1777, during the American Revolution, forces under Gen. George Washington suffered defeat at the hands of the British in the Battle of Brandywine near Wilmington, Del.

In 1814, an American fleet scored a decisive victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Champlain in the War of 1812.

In 1850, Jenny Lind, the "Swedish Nightingale," gave her first concert in the United States, at Castle Garden in New York.

In 1936, President Franklin Roosevelt dedicated Boulder Dam - now Hoover Dam - by pressing a key in Washington to signal the startup of the dam's first hydroelectric generator in Nevada.

Civics, Maseratis and good books

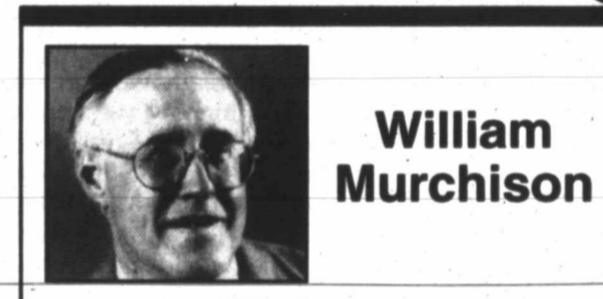
So passes Evelyn Wood, inventor of speed reading for the masses. God rest her soul, as He very well may, in view of the satisfactions she provided generations of speed reading students: the power over paper and the ability to chew up English prose faster than a Waring Blender purees tomatoes.

Wood's theory was that the faster you read, the better off you are. Finish one book and you can start another. And another. And another. This was why John F. Kennedy famously sent his staff to Evelyn Wood classes. If you're going to push paper, Kennedy reasoned, you might as well push it fast and in mounting quantities. That was the way to get things done.

The Kennedy myths still enveloped the Evelyn Wood studios when I signed up for the course nearly 25 years ago. If knowledge was power, we Evelyn Wood students had only to help ourselves. What excuse could there be for not racing, muscles taut and straining, through the Syntopicon and the Durants' histories? Whereas average readers dawdle along at 200 or 300 words a minute, Evelyn Wood students read 1,400, 1,600, 2,000 words a minute. So a Maserati performs when passing a Honda Civic.

Any literary Maserati from the Wood school should be able to race through entire libraries, taking in the sense of the thing faster and retaining it longer than the Honda folk, who poke along in the traditional way, reading left to right, sometimes lip reading, sometimes repeating.

The Evelyn Wood Method is to read straight



William Murchison

down the middle of the page, the eyes guided by a downward-sweeping right hand. Forget words, grammar, structure and so on. It's the thought that counts. Everything else can take care of itself.

And so, in class, we swept away Camus' *The Stranger*. Likewise Hemingway's *The Old Man and the Sea* and much else besides. Knowledge and understanding were ours.

But reality dawned. I wrote then, as now, a newspaper column. I bethought myself that one of my columns was meant for about ten seconds of an Evelyn Wood reader's precious time. That, of course, meant my own time as well!

Yet, ten seconds was not at all what it took to produce a column. The task of researching, writing, crossing out, restoring, experimenting and perfecting could go on all day. Strolls to the window, telephone conversations, lunch - these too had to be factored into the creative process. I was to throw one of my

columns to an Evelyn Wood reader? Someone capable of draining it like Dracula at work on a Transylvanian maiden? A reader willing to ignore my similes, vocabulary choices and grace notes? Even so.

I discovered myself to be a Honda Civic: irretrievably so. In the spirit of economy, I completed the Wood course, for which I had paid up front. I tried out my new techniques on Wood's other prey - the likes of Jane Austen and Bill Buckley. Even in impetuous youth, I should have known better. Reading the Evelyn Wood way turned out to be no fun at all.

The only thing better than good English writing is - I can't think of anything. You don't just pour it pureed over your potatoes. You savor it as if it were a fine chardonnay. What on Earth does it matter if you stop and repeat a phrase, roll it around on your tongue, dart a few lines ahead and then suddenly come back and reread it? If the phrase is good enough, you are supposed to stop and rejoice in it. A reading rate of 2,000 words a minute? It depends on what you mean by reading - shopping for information at full tilt or sitting enraptured at the feet of a story teller.

I would not for one instant submit that Wood and her popular method ruined reading. Television has taken a far mightier whack at this historical pastime. But remove the sensual pleasure from reading, as does the Evelyn Wood Method, and convert it into a strictly utilitarian function, like running the bath water. What have you got? Not half as much as the Maserati crowd might think.

The serious worrying season is here

I don't want to be accused of promising too much, so the sentence that follows this one, though it may sound hyperbolic, is actually a demonstration of composure and cool restraint.

The 1995-96 Serious Worrying Season could be a beaut.

No, no, I will not reveal the reasons for my excitement just yet. You must bear with me for a while as I explain to uninitiated readers the significance of what I just said.

With the arrival of Labor Day, the new worrying season is officially here. From now until Christmas, we Serious Worriers will be intensely concerned about such things as global warming and space garbage and the terrible shortage of 800 numbers.

The atmosphere is slowly filling up with termites flatulence, you know, and it is helping to heat up the planet; and there are 7,430 old satellites and capsules and spent rockets floating around in orbit, you know; and the available supply of toll-free numbers is being rapidly depleted by the surging demand for modern, pager and fax lines, you know.

If it wasn't for Serious Worriers, who would stew over this stuff? Normal People fret over minor things, like the pull-dates on their milk cartons. It is left to us SWs to brood over the big things and, friends, vacation is over.

For three months, SWs have been on green alert, which means we have been ready to jump into any serious worrying situation, but have mainly been recharging our batteries, making lists of things to worry about after Labor Day. At



Joseph Spear

Christmas, we'll take a one week break, then worry our way to Memorial Day.

On this year's agenda, for example, is the question: What will *The Nation* magazine do for a cause now that secret documents have proved the Rosenbergs were really Russian spies? Are baby boomers saving enough for retirement? Is the aurora borealis responsible for the high rate of suicides in Alaska?

Did you know that more people are visiting emergency rooms with cuts suffered while slicing bagels? Did you realize that sperm counts are falling in Europe and the United States? That as many as half of the world's 6,000 languages may die out by the year 2100? That salt used in the koshering process is increasing the salinity of Israel's water supply?

A new growth hormone may add inches to final adult height. What will happen when there are no more short people? What will happen to the thousands of workers who make little shoes for little

feet and little horns that go beep, beep, beep? A humdinger of a season shaping up here, wouldn't you say? And I haven't even told you about the best stuff yet. Regardez:

- According to the June issue of the *Archives of Ophthalmology*, vigorous sex can cause blurred vision. I can't dwell on this one in a family newspaper, but it does give you an idea of where the term "blinding sex" came from, doesn't it?

- The soap opera industry is in a state of panic over the low ratings it has been suffering since the O.J. Simpson trial began. This may explain why *Days of Our Lives* recently featured a doctor who was possessed by the devil and was then exorcised by the demon and then died and then came back to life.

- Country music experts are concerned that their business is losing its fan base. Young people are less interested in sad songs, they say, and are looking for upbeat twang. How would Tanya Tucker sound in a duet with Snoop Doggy Dogg? Stay tuned.

- The American lawn is disappearing, according to a front-page article in the *Washington Post*. If one of the top three newspapers in the country tells us this, can it be wrong? More people are planting less grass, putting in more patios and fishponds. This could devastate the fertilizer industry.

- The American living room is disappearing, this also according to the newspaper that brought you Watergate. First parlors, now living rooms. Where will it stop?

- Smile, SWs. It promises to be a plenitudinous year.

Teach children good nutrition early

Parents can help children set healthful eating habits by offering a variety of foods and creating balance in their own eating patterns.

As children grow, they learn from what they know and by taking hints from parents, siblings, teachers and friends about making the right food choices. Also, research has shown that healthful eating patterns and active lifestyles that begin in childhood and continue through adult years may help prevent or postpone the onset of chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease and some cancers.

When planning a meal, parents should use the pyramid idea of building a healthful diet. At the base of the pyramid, start building a strong foundation to a healthful diet by selecting six or more servings of the breads, pastas, cereals and rice group, and at the middle select at least "5 A Day" of both groups - vegetables (three to five servings) and fruits (two to four servings).

On the next level above the middle pyramid balance with the recommended servings of two to three servings of the meat, poultry, fish, dry beans, eggs and nuts group and two to three servings

Homemaker's News

By Donna Brauchi



of milk, yogurt and cheese group. At the pinnacle of the pyramid are the fats, oils and sweets group, which is recommended only in small servings and only if you can afford the extra calories.

Nutritional contributions at each level are significant. Breads, fruits and vegetables all contribute complex carbohydrates and sugars valuable energy sources - as well as many vitamins and minerals available for a child's growth and development.

Breads, cereals, pastas, and rice are rich sources of the B vitamins, iron and fiber. Fruits and vegetables also supply vitamins A and C, and folic acid to keep eyes, skin and blood healthy. Meats, poultry, fish, dry beans and eggs provide high quality protein and

some iron - a readily absorbable form of iron for muscle formation. Finally, the milk, yogurt and cheese group are eaten for protein, calcium and vitamin D to build strong bones and teeth. Parents and other role models can set good examples by enjoying a variety of foods throughout the day and week.

Involve children in the family grocery shopping. Show them the food labels and explain how to use the important nutrient information to help them build a healthful eating pattern.

Explain how the information on the nutrients - fat, saturated fat, total carbohydrate and sugars, dietary fiber, protein, vitamins and minerals - will help them make better food choices nutritionally.

Also, read the ingredient listing just to get an idea about what kind of food nutrients are in the packaged item. This is especially helpful if a child has an allergy or is sensitive to certain foods.

Children will see the overall picture of planning a varied, healthful eating pattern if involved from the beginning in the entire planning. Now is also a good time to start teaching children about their relationship between nutrition, food and physical activity.

Linking fun and good health to physical activity is important. Activities for kids should be fun and allow plenty of movement. This will translate into positive behavior and lifetime habits.

The bottom line is that children need encouragement from their family, friends and teachers to enjoy a wide variety of foods in moderate amounts and to participate regularly in moderation to vigorous physical activity. When learned at an early age, these habits are more likely to continue into adulthood.

For more information on family health and nutrition, contact your Gray County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Library Staff Picks

Lovett Memorial Library staff picks for the month are:

Belonging by Nancy Thayer - The best selling author of *Three Women at the Water's Edge* writes of a successful career woman who makes some hard choices that turn her life upside down and bring unexpected rewards. Pregnant with twins and abandoned by her lover, the beautiful and confident hostess of a popular television show decides to forge ahead and have her babies and discovers a strength she never she knew she possessed.

Where the Heart Is by Billie Letts - The most heartwarming, feel-good story to come along in years. While traveling with her boyfriend from Tennessee to a new life in California, Novalee Nation is dumped in Oklahoma. Seven months pregnant and possessing only \$7.77, Novalee perseveres with a broken heart, an indomitable spirit and a dream.

After Dark by Phillip Margolin - In a suspenseful legal thriller, a law clerk for Oregon Supreme Court Justice Robert Griffen is found slain in the deserted courthouse, her office ransacked. There is no incriminating evidence and there are no suspects. A month later, the judge is killed in his driveway by a car bomb. This time there is a suspect - the star prosecutor in the Multnomah County District Attorney's office and Griffen's estranged wife, Janice. A gripping, roller-coaster ride of legal suspense leads to a startling conclusion.

Dangerous Attachments by Sarah Lovett - Forensic psychologist Sylvia Strange is a smart, gutsy sleuth who is asked to evaluate prison inmate Lucas Watson for parole. Watson, it turns out, is a sociopathic madman with a grisly hobby of "harvesting" body parts from other inmates. When Sylvia blocks his release, her life is threatened by the entire

Watson clan, and she has to stay out of their reach while searching for the roots of Watson's madness. What she finds is a legacy of aberration that is beyond belief in an intense first novel marking the debut of a new series.

Moving Violations: War Zones, Wheelchairs and Declarations of Independence by John Hockenberry - As a correspondent for ABC's *Day One*, Hockenberry has traveled SCUD-menaced streets in Jerusalem, the mountains of war-torn Iraq and New York's Great White Way - in a wheelchair. Addressing his subjects as a thought-provoking journalist first, an insightful iconoclast second, and a man who happens to be physically challenged last, he provides readers with an intriguing account of his many exploits.

Sins of the Son by Carlton Stowers - A powerful, painful and personal work of true crime. The brutal death of Stowers' ex-daughter-in-law at the hands of his son Anson is told with journalistic flair and insight, at the same time giving readers an intensely personal exploration of his own role and the family dynamic that gave rise to unspeakable violence.

Other new fiction books: *From Potter's Field* by Patricia Cornwell; *Look Away* by H.W. Coyle; *Home Fires* by Luanne Rice; *Memento* by Anne Rice; *Lightning* by Danielle Steel; *Sleeping at the Starlite Motel* by Bailey White; and *The Valentine Legacy* by Catherine Coulter.

Other new non-fiction books: *Grandparents' Rights* by Traci Trully; *Paula* by Isabel Allende; *When Elephants Weep* by Jeffrey Lucas Watson and Susan McCarthy; *Liar's Club* by Mary Karr; *Aromatherapy for Vibrant Health and Beauty* by Roberta Wilson; *To Renew America* by Rep. Newt Gingrich; and *Cook Healthy, Cook Quick*.

Club News

Epsilon Sigma Alpha

Kappa Alpha Chapter #3001
Two members of Kappa Alpha of Pampa attended the August State Board Meeting and Leadership Seminar held at the North Park Inn in Dallas. They were Dorothy Miller, state scrapbook chairman, and Elsie Floyd, state Easter Seals junior chairman and Texas Outstanding ESA'er. Chapter members held their planning meeting for the new sorority year in August at the home of Elsie Floyd, Kappa Alpha president. Calendars for the coming year were discussed and plans were made for Rush events, educational programs, ways and means projects, business meetings, socials and service projects.

Members attending were Elizabeth Swinney, chapter vice president and Rush chairman; Lucille Merilatt, educational director; Marilyn Butler, treasurer and ways and means chairman; Ann Turner, recording secretary and social chairman; Dorothy Miller, service director; and Judy West, corresponding secretary.

Business meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at the Red Cross meeting room, and socials are usually held the third Thursday of each month at members' homes.

Kappa Alpha Chapter will host the District X meeting and Leadership Seminar on Oct. 15 in Pampa. Kittie Cox, Chi Zeta Chapter, Lubbock, is District X president. Her theme is "Angels Among Us." Teri Haley, Alpha Beta Chapter, Amarillo, District X program director, will plan the Leadership Seminar. All District X members are invited to attend the meeting.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha International is a leadership-service organization with approximately 20,000 members in the United States and four foreign countries. ESA members work together to assist their fellow man and sister no matter what the need. ESA offers its members leadership training, personal development, social activities and education of the world in which we live.

Defense attorney Bailey advocates O.J. testimony

LOS ANGELES (AP) - In an ambitious rebuttal case that could go longer than the promised five days, O.J. Simpson's prosecutors plan more on the bloody gloves, more on DNA, and the first mention of the slow-speed Bronco chase.

Before the state can get to its planned 60-person witness list and detailed range of topics, the defense must rest.

Defense attorneys spent the weekend mulling whether to rest today, or produce more witnesses to deal with an adverse appeals court ruling about Detective Mark Fuhrman.

Nudged by the higher court Friday, Judge Lance Ito decided not to tell the jury why Fuhrman won't be returning for cross-examination about his taped racist statements. Fuhrman refused to testify on the grounds it may incriminate himself.

"We cannot rest the case without the jury knowing what happened to Detective Fuhrman," defense lawyer Gerald Uelman told ABC News on Sunday.

The defense options include asking for a new jury instruction or asking that much of Fuhrman's testimony be stricken, including his report of finding a glove at Simpson's house that matched another found at the murder scene. The defense suggests Fuhrman is a racist capable of planting the glove.

In a broadcast interview today, defense attorney F. Lee Bailey said he thinks Simpson himself should take the stand. "O.J. could show rather quickly that whoever dropped that glove, it could not have been him," Bailey said on NBC's *Today* show. He said that unlike other lawyers on the defense team, he had long favored having Simpson testify, and that the appeals court ruling

Friday had rekindled his enthusiasm for the concept.

Simpson, 48, has pleaded innocent to the June 12, 1994, knife murders of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson, 35, and her friend Ronald Goldman, 25.

A hearing today was to determine the scope of the state's rebuttal case; prosecutors can only introduce material directly related to the defense case. Ito was also to address defense attorney complaints they were ambushed with a pile of last-minute evidence, including pictures of Simpson wearing gloves similar to the bloody pair.

Prosecutors have an outline of their rebuttal:

— **Gloves:** Hoping to rebound from their biggest setback - the bloody gloves-didn't-fit fiasco - prosecutors would call about 10 people who photographed or videotaped Simpson wearing dark leather gloves.

Glove expert Richard Rubin would testify that at least some of the photos show Simpson wearing Aris Lights brown leather gloves - the model that Nicole Brown Simpson bought in 1991.

— **DNA:** Gary Sims, state Department of Justice criminalist, would be called to unveil yet another DNA test result, this showing the genetic markers of Simpson and Goldman in blood found on the console of Simpson's Ford Bronco. Another witness, a DNA expert, would counter a defense claim that a newer form of DNA testing, called PCR, isn't ready for court.

— **Timeline:** Five witnesses would elaborate on the testimony of defense witness Robert Heidstra, who said he was walking his dog the night of the slaying and heard voices, a gate clang and a barking dog, then saw a Jeep-like vehicle speed away.

Search for bodies ongoing as islands survey damage

PHILIPSBURG, St. Maarten (AP) - Military frogmen dived deep into the lagoon of an exclusive Caribbean marina, searching a graveyard of 200 sunken yachts and houseboats for victims or survivors of Hurricane Luis.

Above water, people at Simpson's Bay Lagoon said divers brought up a woman, barely alive, over the weekend. They said she had been saved by an air pocket in the hull of a sailboat.

U.S. Consul General Buddy Williams said the divers brought up a body.

They appeared to be describing the same scene, an indication of the confusion surrounding the death toll and number of missing people on this Dutch-French island.

"The expectation is that the death toll will be higher, of course," said Izzy Gerstenbluth, a Dutch Department of Health representative and Red Cross official.

Initially, nine people were

reported dead on the island. Lt. Gov. Dennis Richardson later said there were five dead on the Dutch side - three natives, a Haitian and an unidentified victim. The French side reported one death.

The U.S. State Department said an American was among casualties on the Dutch side, but it was not clear if that was the unidentified person.

Six other deaths have been confirmed in the Caribbean from Luis' rampage - two each in Antigua and Puerto Rico and one each in Guadeloupe and Dominica - for a total official toll of at least 12. Dozens of other people were reported missing on St. Maarten.

Much easier to tally have been the billion-dollar damages wrought by one of the most powerful hurricanes to strike the Caribbean this century. The longest-lasting effect probably will be on the tourist industry that is the main livelihood for many small islands.

Newsmakers

Navy Seaman Recruit Ira W. Potter, son of Ira W. and Joyce L. Potter of Pampa, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Potter completed a variety of training which included classroom study, practical hands-on instruction and an emphasis on physical fitness.

In particular, Potter learned naval customs, first-aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and a variety of safety skills required for working around ships and aircraft.

Potter and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values - honor, courage and commitment; and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct. They also were training in preventing sexual harassment and ensuring equal opportunity.

Potter, a 1994 graduate of

Pampa High School, joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from all over the country.

SHAWNEE, Okla. - Pampa, Texas resident Pamela K. Hubbard, an accounting major, has been named to the President's Honor Roll at Oklahoma Baptist University for the 1995 summer semester.

To qualify for the President's Honor Roll, the candidate must complete at least six hours with a grade point average of 3.7 or higher, with no grade below a 'B.'

Founded in 1910, OBU was recently rated as one of the top three liberal arts colleges in the West by U.S. News and World Report in the news magazine's 1994-1995 "America's Best Colleges" issue. The magazine also named OBU the best value among regional liberal arts colleges in the western United States.

Moon case similar to seven others in Houston suburb

MISSOURI CITY (AP) - Police in this Houston suburb say Warren Moon's case is being treated just like any other domestic abuse case.

They say the quarterback's good-guy image didn't count for much when officers rushed to his mansion in July following a frantic 911 call from Moon's 7-year-old son.

"It's not whether he's a friend of ours or has been a friend to law enforcement in the past," Lt. Pat Worrell said. "None of that matters. We're doing our job. We've got to do what we think is right."

Accused of hitting and choking his wife Felicia, Moon became just another suspect in a domestic violence case in this 43,000-resident community, police say.

The former Houston Oilers quarterback, now with the Minnesota Vikings, faces a court date this month.

Moon, 38, could not be reached for comment. But at his arraignment - set for Sept. 19 in Fort Bend County - he is expected to plead innocent to misdemeanor charges accusing him of striking his wife and choking her until she nearly passed out.

The *Houston Chronicle* surveyed other family violence cases in Missouri City to try to determine whether the Moon case is being handled like other domestic cases, as police and District Attorney John Healey say.

The district attorney pushed for the Class A misdemeanor assault charge over the protests of Mrs. Moon, a well-known supporter of facilities for battered women.

Records indicate other cases filed here despite victim opposition, but the Moon case could test a new state law that could leave the victim facing court action herself should she refuse to testify.

Three-month price drop seems to be slowing

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The smallest drop yet in a steady three-month decline in gas prices has occurred over the last two weeks, with rates dropping about a half-cent per gallon, an analyst said.

The average price, including all grades and taxes, was 120.11 cents per gallon on Friday, compared to the Aug. 25 average of 120.73 cents, a drop of 0.62 cents, Trilby Lundberg, publisher of the twice-monthly *Lundberg Survey*, said Sunday.

Since June 9, prices have declined a total of 8.51 cents, said Lundberg, who polls 10,000 gas

stations nationwide. For the same period in 1994, prices jumped 7.64 cents.

However, the end of the decline is in sight, Lundberg said, with some whole sale prices on the rise along with retail prices, mainly in the Midwest.

Management goes over strikers heads

STERLING HEIGHTS, Mich. (AP) - With 1,500 strikers surrounding a printing plant trying to block delivery of Detroit's daily newspapers, management just went over their heads.

More than 900,000 copies of Sunday's combined edition of the

The Detroit News and *Detroit Free Press* left the plant - mostly by helicopter.

It marked the first time in the nearly two-month-long union strike against the newspapers that management has resorted to such extreme measures.

"If the newspapers showed the same imagination and determination at the bargaining table that they show in trying to get out a scab product, we would have reached a fair and reasonable settlement weeks ago," said Joe Swickard, spokesman for The Newspaper

Guild of Detroit Local 22.

Over the Labor Day weekend, about 3,000 protesters around the plant delayed delivery of the Sept. 3 Sunday paper by 12 hours. And this past Sunday, union representatives contended delivery trucks sped up through a crowd of pickets, barely missing some protesters. Management denied the charge.

Today, Detroit Newspapers, which publishes the *News* and *Free Press*, planned to ask a judge to issue an order limiting the number of pickets outside the plant to six at each of three gates.

NOTICE
Brown's
Shoe Fit Co.
will be closed tomorrow.
Tuesday, September 12 to
prepare for the
Ladies' Truckload Sale
see details in tomorrow's paper.

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All bids must be received by 3:00 p.m. on Sept. 20, 1995

Happy 'Geezer' Knows Sex Is Not Necessary for Love

DEAR ABBY: A standing ovation to you for your answer to the impotent 70-year-old widower, and to him for having the courage to admit his impotence.

I'm in the same boat. I'm 82, and long ago I gave up caring if people knew about my impotence.

"Gentleman" is afraid that such information is too personal and embarrassing. Is it any more so than admitting to having diabetes, arthritis, asthma, heart trouble or a host of other infirmities?

Despite all his ladyfriends, he sounds like a lonely man who needs just one person to love and to be loved by in return.

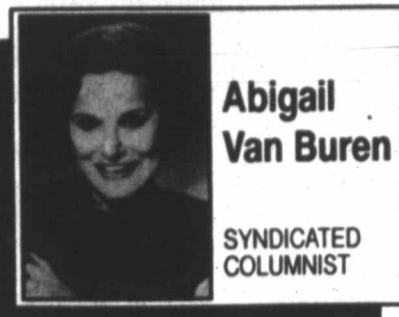
Perhaps he needs to memorize a few phrases for openers. For example: "I am very much attracted to you, but I can't do anything about it." The next move is up to the lady.

It worked for me. Now I have a girlfriend, and we are crazy about each other.

Abby, as you wisely put it, there is more to loving than sexual intercourse.

AN OLD GEEZER
IN LONG BEACH

DEAR OLD GEEZER: I don't know how old (or young) your girlfriend is, but I'm willing to bet she appreciates your up-front, honest attitude, and is satisfied with hugging, kissing, caressing, and a lot of endearing conversation to go with it.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: I am so confused that I can't rely on my own judgment. I have been seeing a wonderful man for almost two years. My problem is he has a live-in girlfriend. I'll call her Ella.

When I first met Charles, he told me that Ella was "just a friend" who needed a place to stay, so he let her move in with him until she could make other arrangements. (In all this time, she never has.)

He kept telling me how much he loved me and I should just be patient and trust him. Like a fool, I believed him.

Now he says that Ella is three, maybe four months pregnant, but the baby isn't his. However, he is going to marry her to give the baby a name; then he will divorce her and marry me. Last night he asked me if I'd still see him (quietly) after he's married. Ella knows nothing about me.

I'm ashamed to admit it, but I really love him with all my heart, and I know that he loves me. Should I hang in there and see what happens, or let him go? **CONFUSED IN QUINCY, MASS.**

DEAR CONFUSED: Charles could sell sand to the Arabs. A man doesn't ask a woman he "loves" to sneak around and stay in the shadows.

Putting this in the most positive light, this is a golden opportunity to end a relationship in which you are being used; don't waste it. You have nothing to gain and precious years to lose by allowing this hopeless affair to continue. Say goodbye, and get on with your life.

DEAR READERS: The least frequently used sentence I know is, "I don't know."

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Horoscope



Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1995

In the year ahead, sudden shifts in conditions or unusual alterations could prove lucky for you, especially in your career. Prepare to flow with events.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Before making a commitment today, iron out all of the details in advance to avoid unexpected conditions that could tempt you to renege on your word. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, New York, NY 10163.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Personally handle situations that are financially significant to you today. If you delegate these matters to others, they could be mismanaged.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Activities you enjoy today may not be equally as appealing to your mate. Consider his or her feelings before finalizing any plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There is an old saying in the military: Never volunteer for anything. Today you might ignore this axiom and get caught up in something you'll regret.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not take casual activities too seriously today. You may try to make mountains out of molehills, especially if your ego is wounded.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Avoid thinking negatively today, but by the same token, try to remain realistic about your hopes and expectations. If you don't, disappointment is possible.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A critical objective can be achieved today if you don't push too hard. This is one of those days when a poor attitude could severely

impede your progress.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Do not try to drive square pegs into round holes today or to force changes prematurely. The harder your push, the more resistance you'll encounter.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Authorship will not be all that important today. If your companions have a better way of doing something, go along with the group instead of pouting.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Keep your ego in check today. If you're involved in something you don't fully understand, go to someone for help, even if you dislike that person.

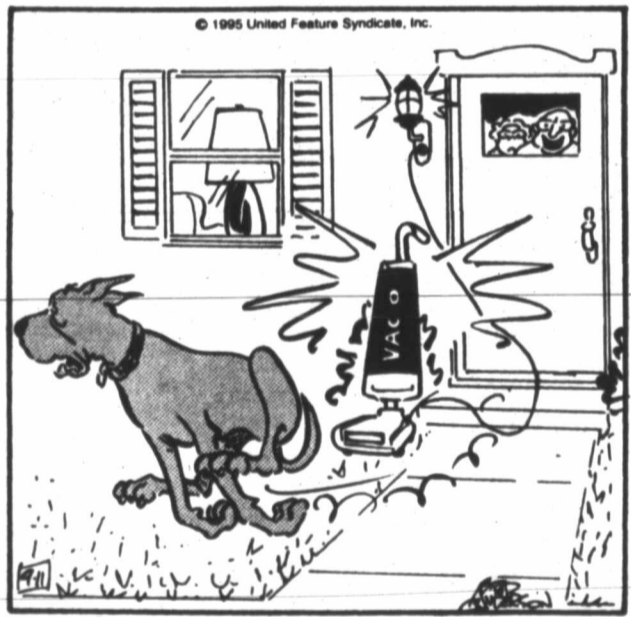
CANCER (June 21-July 22) As long as you keep things light today, friends will support your efforts. If you try to pressure them into compliance, however, you'll be on your own.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Let events run their course today instead of trying to force unnecessary changes. Things eventually will work out well for you if you don't mar the blueprint.

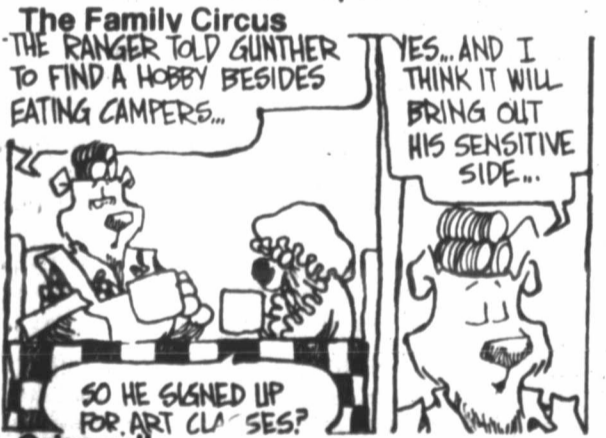
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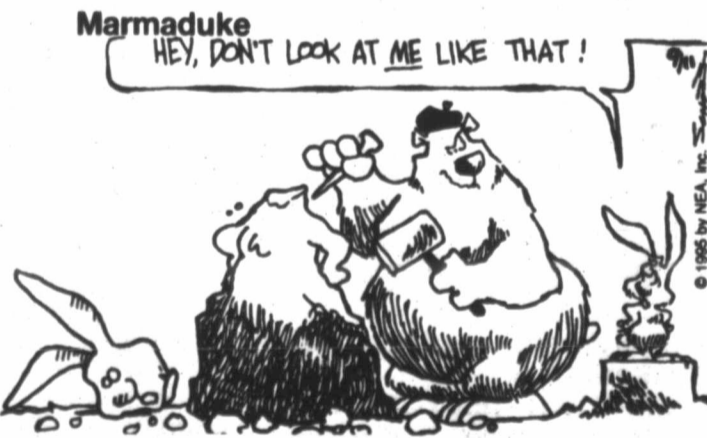
"Mommy, how come your burger and fries don't come with a prize?"



"Great protective device. ... I just turn on the switch and Marmaduke is gone!"



Grizzwells



Marmaduke: "HEY, DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT!"



Alley Oop



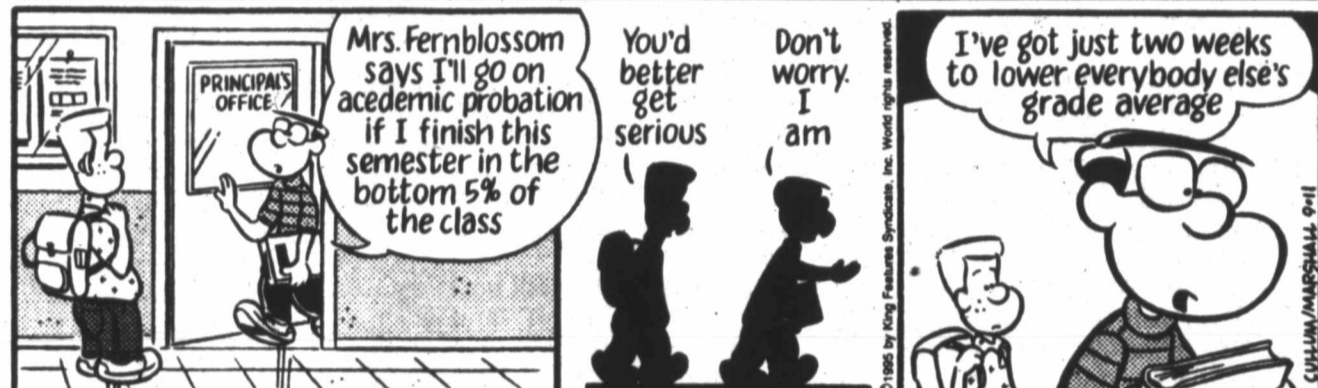
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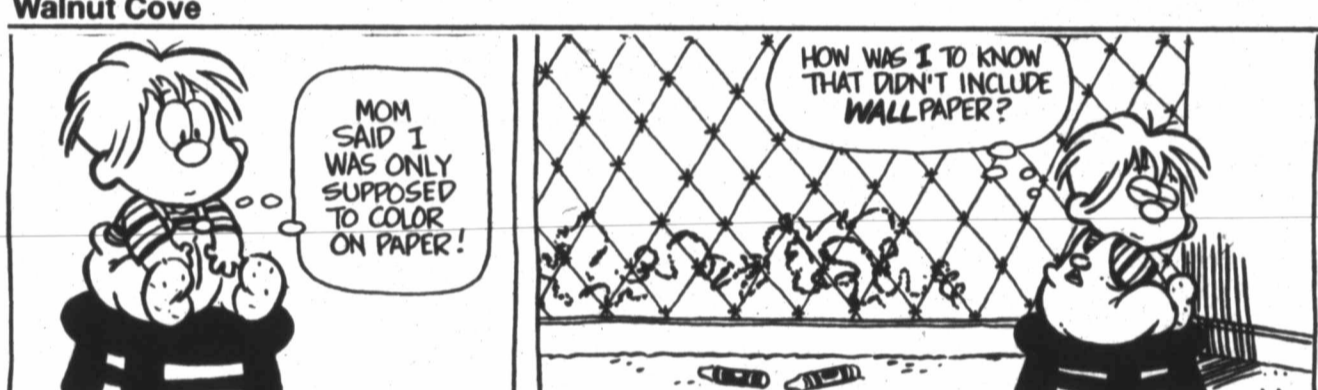
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Congressional action may weaken environmental regulation

By RALPH K.M. HAURWITZ
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN (AP) — Since the first Earth Day 25 years ago, Congress has steadily increased protection for the nation's land, water and air. Lawmakers are now poised to roll back environmental regulations and funding, and the effect on Texas could be far-reaching.

For example, an appropriations bill passed by the House bars the Environmental Protection Agency from spending any money to stop illegal filling of wetlands. Texas has roughly 7 million acres of wetlands, which retain flood waters and nurture migrating waterfowl. A House-passed rewrite of the Clean Water Act redefines wetlands. It would eliminate protection for more than 80 percent of what are now classified as wetlands in Texas, according to an analysis by the Army Corps of Engineers.

Congress will resume debate on these issues now that it is back from its August recess. Based on the current form of bills approved by the House or Senate, here are other possible results for the Lone Star State:

Fewer inspections of industrial plants and scaled-back enforcement. The House voted to cut the EPA's overall budget by 34 percent and its enforcement budget by 50 percent.

A bar on Clinton administration efforts to trim oil refinery emissions of hazardous air pollutants and to require new controls for toxic waste incinerators. The state's 32 refineries emit 27 million pounds of

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toxic pollution a year, according to reports filed with the EPA by the companies.

Elimination of \$127 million in grants and loans for municipal waste-water treatment projects, runoff controls and drinking-water system improvements in Texas.

Removal of the EPA's authority to address sanitary-sewer overflows, a problem in more than 70 Texas cities. Such overflows spill untreated human waste into waterways, streets and homes. The agency's authority to reduce runoff of fertilizer and other pollutants also would be sharply curtailed.

A prohibition on aerial surveys for fish and wildlife by the Interior Department without written approval of private property owners. In Texas, where more than 95 percent of land is privately owned, this essentially would eliminate surveys because of the difficulty of securing permission from all owners involved, according to the department.

A ban on expanding a program that requires

manufacturers to report toxic chemical uses and emissions. Texas ranks second only to Louisiana in toxic releases.

A one-year extension of a moratorium on listing endangered species. This temporarily would prevent the Interior Department from listing a salamander found at Austin's Barton Springs.

Compensation for landowners. The government would have to pay private property owners for lost value when species or wetlands rules reduce value by 20 percent or more.

The Clinton administration, environmentalists and consumer advocates regard the proposals as a broad assault on environmental, health and safety protections. President Clinton has vowed to veto some, including the House version of the Clean Water Act.

At the same time, the administration is scrambling to build political cover by easing certain regulations. For example, small landowners are now exempt from certain rules on wetlands and endangered species.

Farmers, ranchers, builders, miners, loggers and manufacturers are hoping to sustain the political momentum engendered by the November elections, which gave Republicans control of the House and Senate.

"You won't see this battle go away," said Cynthia Adcock, director of environmental communications for the National Association of Home Builders, which supports the proposals to revise laws on wetlands and endangered species.

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up in the next one. We're asking what the country's asking for: Put people back into the question."

Some proposals resonate powerfully in Texas because of its high proportion of private land. Unlike other Western states, Texas retained its lands as well as its debts when it was annexed by the United States in 1845.

Rural and agricultural interests won passage of a landmark property rights bill in the Texas Legislature this spring. Federally required habitat protections for the golden-cheeked warbler and other species inspired the property rights movement. But the state law does not restrict the federal government's authority; only Congress has that power.

The Texas Farm Bureau, the state's largest agriculture group, supports revision of species and wetlands laws. "Time and again our members have told us they don't want the government taking their property in a regulatory sense," said Steve Pringle, legislative director of the farm bureau.

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt said the compensation proposal essentially would require the government to pay people not to pollute.

Reduced protections for wetlands and water quality could lead to a decline in fish populations and an increase in the level of contaminants in fish, said Reggie James, a senior staff attorney with the Austin office of Consumers Union. That could harm low-income people, including members of minority groups, who fish for table fare in East Texas and along the Gulf Coast.

Gun certification classes to be held in Plano church

By JASON SICKLES
The Dallas Morning News

PLANO (AP) — They'll be teaching more than Matthew, Mark, Luke and John at the New Hope Christian Fellowship.

Add Smith & Wesson. Last week, longtime handgun instructor and church elder Ernie Ray transformed the main sanctuary into a gun certification classroom.

"But there will be no shooting," Ray said. "We're not weird people, just law-abiding citizens who want to legally protect ourselves."

A few months ago, Ray began hunting for a facility in which to teach his 12-hour class. The class is required for those seeking a permit under the state's concealed-handgun law, which takes effect Jan. 1. After talking to his longtime friend and pastor, Ray Stokes Jr., Ray opted to conduct the class at the church in Plano.

"I found that most places wanted \$150 to \$200 a night. I'd much rather give that money to the church than a Holiday Inn," he said. "The pastor was all for it."

Ray, a professional safety consultant, said he already has more than 1,000 people signed up to take his \$200 course. He said he will limit each class to 35 to 40 people. A one-day, 12-hour course will be held at 4 p.m. Mondays. Another course will have four-hour sessions on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

"The church normally doesn't use the building on those nights anyway, so why not?" Ray said. "Of course, there may be some scheduling conflicts around Christmas, but we'll work that out."

Once a student completes the classroom portion in the church, Ray said he will schedule the shooting part of the examination

at a private gun range.

Some of those on Ray's roll include folks from the 150-member church, including Stokes.

"I found that Texans have a tendency to be a little bit crazy," the pastor said. "I go to some scary places at night, like when I visit hospitals. If everyone else is going to be toting a gun, then I might as well."

Still, Stokes said he does consider the gun course-church relationship a bit different.

"I really hadn't put them together, but it is an odd connection," he said. "We have a lot of people in our church who are for the law. I asked the church board about hosting the class, and they didn't have any qualms about it."

One church member said he hopes the public doesn't perceive New Hope's housing a gun course in the wrong way.

"We're not the Branch Davidians," said Brian Crews, a member of New Hope for three years. "It is not a church-endorsed function. It is more of a utilization of the facility."

But even Crews said he plans on taking the course. "I don't have a problem with the class itself or teaching it at the church," he said. "What concerns me are the parallels that have been drawn in the past between churches and nuts."

Officials with the Department of Public Safety in Austin said there are no restrictions as to where the classes are taught but agreed that New Hope was the first church they had heard of hosting the course.

"A room is a room," said Ken Taylor, owner of the Bullet Trap retail store and gun range in Plano. "A church providing the space is a little different, but we've probably got a couple of ministers who come here to shoot."

Packwood apologizes, but fails to remember incidents

WASHINGTON (AP) — Qualifying his regrets, Sen. Bob Packwood is apologizing to women who accused him of sexual misconduct, "if I did the things they said I did."

Appearing on CBS's *Face the Nation*, Packwood, R-Ore., said Sunday the problem is he can't remember many of the instances that led to his resignation from the Senate. He has previously attributed the memory loss to alcoholism.

"Am I sorry? Of course. If I did the things that they said I did. Am I sorry, do I apologize? Yes. But it is time to get on and not look back," he said.

He was pressed to explain why he claims a faulty memory when his diary chronicles his private life for 25 years.

"I have discovered there are many inaccuracies in the diary," he said. "I have discovered since this came up that a number of the things that I put in it were inaccurate, some of them simply were not true. I didn't know it at the time but they weren't true."

Packwood said one of the inaccuracies came in a diary passage about a 1992 meeting with Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas. In a March 6, 1992, taped diary entry describing a meeting with Gramm, who then chaired the GOP's Senate campaign commit-

tee, Packwood said the Texan promised to funnel \$100,000 in party "soft" money to Packwood's campaign.

Soft money can be used only for party-building activities, such as get-out-the-vote drives and phone banks, and cannot legally be used to assist individual candidates.

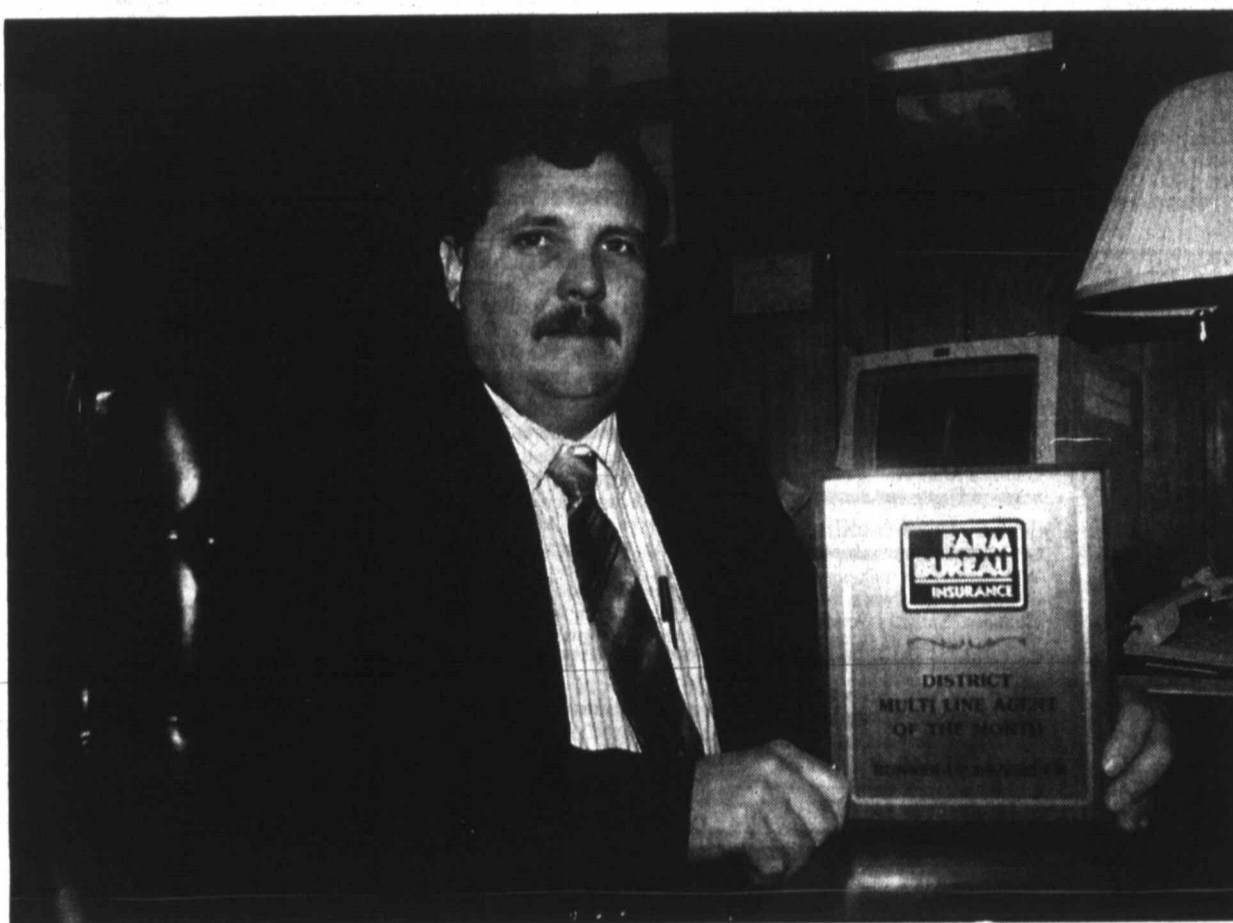
"What was said in that room would be enough to convict us all of something," Packwood said on the tape.

On Sunday, Packwood said of the diary entry: "That was totally wrong." Gramm, a presidential candidate, said of the meeting, "Nothing wrong was done."

Packwood gave up his long fight to save his seat after the Senate Ethics Committee voted 6-0 Wednesday to recommend his expulsion. The panel released more than 10,000 pages of material gathered in the course of its investigation, detailing Packwood making sexual advances against unwilling women, changing personal diaries the panel had sought as evidence and intervening with lobbyists to provide employment for his ex-wife.

Under pressure from Democrats, Packwood stepped down as chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee and agreed to leave the Senate on Oct. 1.

Farm Bureau agent honored



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

David Haynes, service agent for the Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau, has received commendations for the Multi-Line Agent of the Month, Division 2 award, for the month of August 1995. Haynes also received the top award in the last three months running contest and holds a winning check for first place. District 1 includes 33 counties in the Top O' Texas area and a total of 58 agents.

'ER', 'Frasier,' 'NYPD Blue' Emmy winners

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — The Emmy-winning doctors of *ER* could be administering treatment to *Friends*, its first-season buddy and fellow hit that failed to collect a single award.

ER won eight Emmy awards to tie 14-year-old records set by *Hill Street Blues*, another NBC series, for most wins by a new series and most wins in one year.

NBC was the big winner at the 47th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards with 28 trophies, including some that were presented in a non-televized ceremony on Saturday. CBS had 19, HBO won 15 and ABC took home six Emmys.

Frasier, NBC's second-year hit about a psychiatrist able to solve everyone's problems but his own, won five awards, including repeats for best comedy series and best comedy actor award for Kelsey Grammer.

Another sophomore show — ABC's *NYPD Blue* — was honored as best drama, giving the ribald police drama its first win in that category.

Old equipment slows information to air controllers

FORT WORTH (AP) — Aging, outdated radar and a computer system that has failed at least 19 times in the past two years have created flight delays and raised air safety concerns in Texas and four other states.

The failing systems remain in place at the Fort Worth Air Route Traffic Control Center and four other stations where a combined 21 major breakdowns have occurred in the past five months.

Although the failures have not compromised safety, according to the Federal Aviation

Administration, air traffic controllers are receiving increasingly delayed information. Computer failures have lasted up to 31 minutes.

"The breakdown usually comes when we're working a whole bunch of airplanes," air traffic controller David Benedetto of Hurst said. "When it happens, it's like uh-oh. You don't know what's happening, whether the computer's coming back."

The Fort Worth center, the nation's

sixth busiest, handles nearly 5,000 flights daily over a 180,000 square-mile area, including all traffic into Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport and Dallas Love Field.

The 350 controllers at the center track planes from south almost to Austin to as far east as Monroe, La., as far west as El Paso and north to Oklahoma City. The controllers' job is to prevent planes from running into each other.

Jay Leno's rise from near-disaster with *The Tonight Show* continued with an Emmy for best variety show, capping recent Leno ratings successes over David Letterman's *Late Show*.

Her counterpart in a drama series was Kathy Baker, who won her second award in three years for best actress in a drama series for her role as town doctor Jill Brock on *Picket Fences*.

Candice Bergen repeated as best comedy actress, good enough to land her in record books with her fifth Emmy award for the lead role on CBS' *Murphy Brown*.

Jason Alexander of *Seinfeld* and Cybill Shepherd of *Cybill* were hosts of the fast-paced show, which managed to end five minutes short of its scheduled three hours Sunday.

The closest to the Emmy statuette was on stage as presenters. New kids aside, it was veteran actors and established movie stars who dominated the evening.

Barbra Streisand, who has battled stage fright in her concert career, said she was suffering the same qualms about the Emmy ceremony. Her *Barbra Streisand: The Concert* was a multiple nominee.

She didn't have to worry. Her HBO program won best individual performance in a variety or music program and best variety, music or comedy special, giving her her first Emmy in three decades.

Ray Walston of CBS' *Picket Fences* had a much longer wait. "I have 30 seconds to tell you

World briefs

Crew return to Mir orbital station

MOSCOW (AP) — A Soyuz TM-21 spacecraft carrying a two-man Russian crew returned safely to earth today from the Mir orbital station where the cosmonauts had spent more than two months in space, news reports said.

Anatoly Solovyov and Nikolai Budarin landed in the steppes of northern Kazakhstan as planned this morning, the Interfax news agency reported.

During their stay, the two cosmonauts worked on restoring the solar batteries on the Mir space station, the agency said.

German astronaut Thomas Reiter and Russian cosmonauts Sergei Avdeyev and Yuri Gudzenko remained on the Mir station, where they will work until returning to Earth on Jan. 16.

Their mission's primary goals are zero-gravity research and preparation for a planned international space station.

Students clash with police outside PLO headquarters

JERUSALEM (AP) — Riot police clashed with Palestinian high school students demonstrating outside PLO headquarters in Jerusalem today. Two protesters were hurt.

Students staged a sit-in on the road outside the headquarters, known as Orient House, and police fired rubber bullets and used clubs to disperse them. Some of the students hurled stones at police.

Two students were detained, including one who was hurt, police said. Palestinian reporters said two protesters were beaten.

Orient House has recently been a site of daily clashes between Palestinian students, police and Israeli right-wing activists who demand that the building be closed down.

Orient House is in east Jerusalem, which the Palestinians want to turn into the capital of a future state. Israel has said it will never relinquish sovereignty over all of Jerusalem, including the eastern sector it captured from Jordan in the 1967 Mideast War.

Israeli right-wing activists charge that the Palestinians are using Orient House as a stepping-stone for setting up a government complex in east Jerusalem.

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