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## Water problem pegged to holding tank



**WATER MEETING UNANNOUNCED.** Officials from the city and Canadian River Municipal Water Authority discussed Pampa's foul lake water problem at a Wednesday meeting, which was not disclosed to the public or media prior to the session. It was revealed at the meeting that the problem has been traced to a holding pond for Pampa and Borger. Shown leaving the

meeting are, left to right, Mayor Ray Thompson, City Manager Mack Wofford, CRMWA official Asby Lewis, CRMWA General Manager John Williams and city commissioner Clyde Carruth. Other participants at the session, not in the photo, were Pampa CRMWA board members Fred Thompson and Jerry Carlson. (Staff Photo by Jeff Langley)

BY JEFF LANGLEY  
Staff Writer

Without public notice, one Pampa City Commissioner, the Mayor, the City Manager and Canadian River Municipal Water Authority board members and managers met to discuss Pampa's foul lake water problem Wednesday afternoon at City Hall.

Attending the session were Pampa Mayor Ray Thompson, City Commissioner Clyde Carruth, City Manager Mack Wofford, Canadian River Municipal Water Authority General Manager John Williams, CRMWA official Asby Lewis and Pampa CRMWA board members Fred Thompson and Jerry Carlson.

Information that the meeting was taking place slipped out around 4 p.m., due to a phone call to the office of one participant. Besides participants at the session, only this writer attended the water discussion, which revealed that officials have traced the city's taste and odor problems to a holding reservoir, or pond for the cities of Pampa and Borger.

Officials now definitely believe that the holding tank is plagued with microorganisms, most likely actinomycetes. They said during the meeting that growth cultures at a laboratory will positively identify the presence or absence of actinomycetes from a sample taken from the holding pond.

Exactly what kind of bug an actinocete can be called is probably open to debate between both officials and scientists. Williams told session participants, "They really don't even know if it's bacteria or fungus."

Wofford and other officials have speculated previously that Pampa's musty lake water contained actinomycetes, and all also said that the organisms are not a health hazard.

However, according to Webster's Dictionary, there are two specific species of actinomycetes that can cause disease in animals and man.

A spokesman for the National Center for Disease Control in Atlanta said the genus group of actinomycetes contains "thousands upon thousands" of different species of both bacteria and fungi, and the organisms exist "by the billions" inside a normal person's body. Dr. George Lombard confirmed that the organism causing Pampa's foul water is probably not a health hazard.

The dictionary defines an actinomycete as "any organism belonging to the order actinomycetales," and actinomycetales as "an order of filamentous or rod-shaped bacteria tending strongly to the development of branches and true mycelium and lacking photosynthetic pigment."

The disease caused by an actinomycete is actinomycosis, defined as "a chronic infectious disease of cattle, swine and man characterized by the formation in the body of hard granulomatous masses that may break down and discharge pus containing the causative actinomycetes."

The specific actinomycete that can cause infection in man is "presumably A. israeli."

Williams told the unofficial panel Wednesday that presently growing lab cultures only will confirm or deny the presence of actinomycetes in the holding tank; the present culture will not identify specific species of actinomycetes, nor will the test identify specific substances, which actinomycetes can produce to cause taste and odor problems.

The officials discussed several plans of attack against actinomycetes, but nothing will be done until tests positively confirm the bug. Williams said at the meeting that the test culture should be completed today, but following the surprise meeting, Wofford said results of the actinomycete probe should not be known until this afternoon. The City Manager declined to identify the lab, but he previously said the city was working with "university research centers."

Even if tests confirm that the Pampa-Borger reservoir has an actinomycete problem, determining which bug is involved and what to do about it will be an even bigger handful.

Dr. Lombard explained that actinomycete genus is simply a catch-all category for a nearly unlimited number of specific organisms, including both fungi and bacteria.

Lombard said actinomycetes are part of the "normal bacterial flora" inside the human body, which mainly inhabit mucus membranes, or soft tissues. He said a problem from the bug usually only will develop when tissues where germs live are damaged. "If a person gets slugged in the jaw, the bacteria might travel to the damaged tissue and cause an abscess or infection," Lombard said.

He said the particular actinomycete that can cause a problem in water is probably "an aerobic fungi, not an anaerobic bacteria."

The Atlanta microbiologists' information points out that the city and water authority may have a problem even determining which organism can be involved with fouling water at the holding pond.

If organisms are confirmed, the water group said numerous solutions can be explored. It was suggested that the holding pond could be drained and cleaned, chemical weapons could be used, or another bacteria could be used

to gobble up the pesky skunk bugs.

Chemicals mentioned for possible use include potassium manganate, copper sulfate or copper citrate.

Developing another bacteria to eat offending actinomycetes could be a long, involved process, Williams said. Big culture batches of hungry bacteria would be grown and introduced into the holding tank.

Whatever plan of action is used, the cities of Borger and Pampa must both cooperate and agree on a method of treatment, since both share water from the holding pond.

Neither city is presently using any lake water, according to what Wofford said at the meeting. He said Borger's problem was not as intense or noticed as soon as Pampa's taste condition because Borger has been mixing a high percentage of well water with smelly lake water for about the past month.

Mayor Thompson said at the meeting that the city should continue on 100 percent well water, even if residents are asked to curtail use.

The officials believe the problem is confined to the holding pond only, not in the entire lake or inside the cities' systems.

Williams said if the entire lake had the problem, other cities would be reporting bad taste and odor. He added that the bugs could pass through filters and enter city water lines, but they are probably not there since the cities' taste and odor problems stopped when Pampa and Borger changed to 100 percent well water.

The holding reservoir is on the south edge of Borger, next to the water treatment plant. The pond contains about 38 acre feet, or 10 million gallons of raw lake water. It is about 12 feet deep, 350 feet long and around 170 feet wide.

Even without treatment, the problem bug and taste and odor problem can just take a vacation or disappear over a period of time. But worse, despite the best efforts of man, the taste and odor condition could be with the cities for many years, according to officials.

Wofford and water officials said at the meeting that water from Hefner Reservoir had an actinomycete problem, which gave Oklahoma City goat-breath water for nearly a decade. The City Manager said the problem there lasted from the '50's into the late '60's.

Wofford said Pampa is consulting with Oklahoma City officials about combating actinomycetes.

About Oklahoma City's long-term taste and odor problem, a water board member remarked, "When the smell hit you, you didn't know if you wanted to take a hot shower."

## Britain vows to continue war activities as well as diplomacy

By The Associated Press

Britain today vowed to continue military activities to regain the Falkland Islands while accepting U.N. proposals as a framework for future talks. An Argentine Foreign Ministry source said the British position ruled out a diplomatic solution for the moment.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher told the House of Commons in London that Britain accepted a U.N. plan for settling the conflict as a "framework" for future talks, but said Britain will "continue with our military activities."

Mrs. Thatcher said the U.N. proposals came with "no specific details" attached but linked a cease-fire with Argentine withdrawal from the islands, a basic British precondition for a truce.

But Mrs. Thatcher said it was "likely" that Argentina was seeking a cease-fire without withdrawal of its troops from the islands.

In Brussels, British Defense Minister John Nott said that "to agree to a cease-fire without a total withdrawal would leave the burglar with the spoils." He spoke to a news conference after meeting with NATO ministers and U.S. Defense Secretary Casper Weinberger.

He said Britain would continue to seek a peaceful solution through the United Nations, but added, "I must stress that these efforts can only be based on the precondition of Argentine withdrawal."

An Argentine Foreign Ministry source in Buenos Aires said Nott's statement "means that there is no diplomatic solution for the moment." The source asked not to be identified.

Foreign Secretary Francis Pym had told the House of Commons earlier that he and Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. were working on a new peace plan.

Argentina told U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar on Wednesday night that "the Argentine government reiterates that it is willing to negotiate a peaceful settlement" regarding the islands.

The Argentine communique did not say the junta accepted the substance of the secretary-general's proposals to settle the conflict over the British island colony Argentina seized April 2. But it said it "is willing to negotiate a peaceful solution."

Perez de Cuellar said he considered the Argentine response "positive" and hoped for a positive British reaction today. He told reporters at U.N. headquarters in New York he was "a little optimistic — not too much."

The Argentine statement did not list any conditions for a cease-fire or for a permanent settlement. Observers in London said Britain was unlikely to accept any truce that did not provide for withdrawal of the estimated 9,000 Argentine troops in the Falklands. Argentina previously insisted that Britain recognize its sovereignty over the islands before evacuation of the troops, while the British demanded that the wishes of the 1,800 pro-British Falkland islanders be considered in determining sovereignty.

Perez de Cuellar refused to make public his peace plan, but informed sources said it included a cease-fire, withdrawal of Argentine and British forces from the Falklands area and appointment of a U.N. administrator for the islands while negotiations resume to determine their future. The plan reportedly takes no position on the thorny sovereignty issue.

Pym told the House of Commons Haig's peace efforts were continuing and Britain made a "constructive contribution" to them Tuesday.

"A vital ingredient of the ideas on which we are working is an early

cease-fire and the prompt withdrawal of Argentine forces," Pym said. He said the plan under discussion was an amalgam of proposals from Haig, Perez de Cuellar and Peruvian President Fernando Belaunde Terry, who made peace proposals last weekend.

Meanwhile, no new military action was reported in the South Atlantic battle zone Wednesday.

Argentina drew the last blood Tuesday when one of its planes fired a missile that set fire to the British destroyer Sheffield, forcing its crew to abandon ship, and a British Harrier jet fighter was shot down and the pilot killed in an attack on one of the Falkland airstrips.

The British government said at least 30 of the Sheffield's 270 crewmen were killed, and government sources said 57 more men were missing or wounded. The shattered hull of the destroyer was reported still afloat Wednesday.

Two Argentine ships and a Chilean craft continued the search east of the tip of South America for about 350 sailors missing from Argentina's only cruiser, the General Belgrano, which a British submarine torpedoed and sank on Sunday. The Argentine government reported the rescue of 680 crewmen.

### Wednesday storm leaves no damage

Wednesday afternoon's storm looked like a tough customer, but no storm damage was reported in most of the region.

The Shamrock Police Department reported some flooding from Wednesday's rainfall.

"All the units are out cleaning up," the police dispatcher said.

The Roberts County Sheriff's Department reported five funnel clouds west of Miami near Highway 60, and one funnel northeast of Miami, at about 4:50 p.m. One funnel touched down briefly in fields near Highway 60, but no damage was reported from winds anywhere in the area.

A tornado watch was issued from the National Weather Service in Amarillo at 4:30 p.m., and a tornado warning was in effect for Hemphill, Roberts and Lipscomb counties from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., but one weather service forecaster said the storm subsequently "died a natural death."

The Roberts County Sheriff's Department also reported intermittent light hail north of Miami, but no hail damage was reported.

The weather service said the storm was the result of a strong cold front moving into the area. Ground heat and moist air combined to form an upper level unstable air mass Wednesday.

No funnel clouds or hail were reported to the Gray County Sheriff's Department Wednesday.

The cold front has passed the area, and with the breakup of clouds tonight, the forecast calls for warmer weather Friday with high temperatures in the 70s. Chances of more rain are 20 percent today, but no chance of rain was reported for Friday.

## Salvation Army threatens action over box vandalism

Someone is taking objects from Salvation Army drop boxes in Pampa, and the army's local officer, Captain Francis Gary, is threatening possible legal action.

Gary said employees of the Salvation Army office have reported several thefts of clothing and other items from boxes recently, and the organization has the names and addresses of four individuals who have taken from the boxes.

"Before filing legal complaints, Gary said, he would first check with the army's divisional office in Dallas, then check with the police department to research his alternatives.

The thefts "not only hurt us, but also the people we help," Gary said.

Pampa Police Chief J.J. Ryzman said taking items from around the boxes is "definitely theft," and reaching into the boxes to take items is "burglary by loose definition."

The army has four drop box locations in Pampa at Coronado Center, the Ideal Food Store on Ballard Street, Gibson

Discount Center on Perryton Parkway and the county courthouse.

Gary said the boxes at Coronado and the Ideal Food Store are being robbed often recently, and the Coronado box is "hit regularly."

He said one reason for the frequency in the thefts recently might be the availability of items left around the boxes because the boxes are overstocked. The army's store will be closed next Monday and Thursday to organize its stock, he said, and employees should be able to empty the boxes then.

Gary said he met a woman this morning who was apparently selling clothes from a Salvation Army box at her yard sale.

He said at his former post in Greenville the police department would not prosecute thefts from the boxes "unless they caught them in the act."

In Greenville, he said, "I'm not kidding you, but I saw people loading couches into their trunks" at drop boxes.

## Reagan, Republicans unite behind budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan said today a compromise budget plan drafted by Senate Republicans and endorsed by the White House "can put our country firmly on the road to economic prosperity" if congressional Democrats cooperate.

At a question-and-answer session with reporters in the White House Rose Garden, Reagan said the new budget will "continue to protect" the basic benefits of Social Security recipients. The compromise budget plan was said to include \$40 billion in unspecified Social Security cuts and tax increases.

Reagan was questioned on that point, but did not explain how the reductions

could be obtained without lowering benefits. He did say that the savings "could come from a restructuring of the program," but didn't explain that in detail.

Reagan said the answer on Social Security would come ultimately from a bipartisan commission that is studying the system now, and is expected to report its findings by the end of the year.

He said the plan approved Wednesday by the Senate Budget Committee would "continue to bring down the growth in federal spending."

He said the tax increases in the compromise, totaling \$95 billion over

three years, would not impinge upon the incentives he expects from the tax-cut program he proposed and Congress enacted last year.

Also attending today's session were congressional GOP leaders.

Speaker of the House Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. said this morning the Republican spending plan "provides for walloping defense expenditures and fails to correct the inequities and excesses of the Reagan-Kemp-Roth tax bill. At the same time, it proposes deep cuts in Social Security and other vital programs." The plan, he said, "retains some of the major defects of Reaganomics."



**STICK 'EM UP.** Lori Rebarchik, the 1982 Rodeo Secretary for the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, begins the Chamber's rodeo advertising drive on her own car.

The rodeo will begin with the kid's pony show July 5-7, and continue with the PRCA professional events July 8-10.

(Staff Photo by David Christenson)



# daily record

## services tomorrow

CULBERSON, Bobby — 2 p.m., Fellowship Baptist Church.

## obituaries

### HENRY L. WESTERMIER

GROOM — Henry Lee Westermier, 65, of Sunray, died yesterday in Amarillo.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. today in Groom Cemetery with The Rev. Raymond F. Jones, pastor of Full Gospel Assembly, officiating. Arrangements are by N.S. Griggs & Sons Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mr. Westermier was born in Groom. He was a member of Assembly of God Church. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army of World War II.

Survivors include: a sister, Mrs. Mary Chisolm of Sunray; a half brother, Tim Gibbons of Groom; and a half sister, Joy Snyder of Groom.

### BOBBY CULBERSON

Services for Bobby Culberson, 42, of 217 Miami St., will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Fellowship Baptist Church with the Rev. Earl Maddox, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael - Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Culberson graduated from Pampa High School in 1956. He was a member of Fellowship Baptist Church and an employee of Heritage Ford.

Survivors include his mother, a sister, and a brother.

## hospital notes

### CORONADO COMMUNITY

#### Admissions

John Baird, Pampa  
Mildred Lamb, Pampa  
Felipe Portillo, Pampa  
Ruth Smith, Pampa  
Purl Meaker, Pampa  
Arthur Love, Pampa  
John Brown, Pampa  
Lana Whitely, Pampa  
Joyce Thornton, Pampa  
Leona Freeman, Pampa  
Ruby Dedmon, Pampa  
Lesley Cash, Pampa  
Mildred Jernigan, Pampa

Duncan Murdock, Pampa  
Elva Ceniceros, Pampa  
Vondell Mitchell, Pampa

#### Dismissals

Randolyn Bagsby, Pampa  
Benson Dawn, Pampa  
Wanda Betchan, Pampa  
Glen Ellison, Canadian  
Linda Estes, Pampa  
Dorothy Gattis, Pampa  
Ginger Hannon, Lefors  
J.A. Hill, McLean

Ames Ledford, Pampa  
Jimmy Martin, McLean  
Meredith Cox, Pampa  
Novis Newman, Pampa  
Terry Putman, Skellytown

Jonathan Rigsby, Pampa  
Manuel Sosa, Hereford  
Norman Stone, Pampa  
Jeanette Weddle, Pampa

### SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Admissions  
Don Phillips, Shamrock  
Merridee Yates, Shamrock

Connie Garcia, Shamrock  
Effie Phillips, McLean  
Charles Holdeman, Wheeler

Rena Savige, Wheeler  
Dismissals  
Jo Rives, Shamrock  
Pauline Conrad, Quanah  
Bessie Turnbow, Shamrock

Stephanie Atchley, Shamrock  
Steven Milam, Shamrock  
William Moody, Oklahoma City

## minor accidents

### WEDNESDAY, May 5

Time unknown - An unknown vehicle struck a 1980 Chevrolet, legally parked at 1526 N. Coffee. Police said the driver left the scene of the accident.

12:25 p.m. - A 1982 Chevrolet, driven by Mark Edward Fox, Rt. 2, Box 89, collided with a 1977 Kawasaki, driven by Staphin Ray Jinks, 1518 N. Faulkner, at 200 Harvester. Fox was cited for failure to yield right of way.

12:40 p.m. - A 1977 Chevrolet, driven by a juvenile, collided with a 1968 Buick, driven by Vaneta F. Gray, 737 Lefors, at the intersection of Harvester and Christine.

7 p.m. - A 1971 Ford, driven by Salazar Rodrigo Tarango, 413 N. Hobart, collided with a 1980 Chevrolet, driven by Florence Gossett Straub, 209 Miami, in the 2000 block of North Hobart. Tarango was cited for following too closely.

## police report

Officers of the Pampa Police Department responded to 38 calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Cathie Jewette, Clarendon, reported her purse was stolen from the office at Heritage Ford.

Kenneth Rogers Twigg, 937 S. Love, reported he was assaulted.

Tommy Angus Taylor, Lefors, was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated. e

## fire report

### WEDNESDAY, May 5

12:17 p.m. - Firemen made an ambulance run to 1005 S. Faulkner. Michael J. Minyard was transported to Coronado Community Hospital.

5:30 p.m. - Firemen made an ambulance run to 737 N. Dwight. Donald Murdock was transported to Coronado Community Hospital.

## school menu

### FRIDAY

Meat and spaghetti, lettuce salad, green beans, pineapple upside-down cake, hot roll, milk

## senior citizens menu

### FRIDAY

Lasanga or fried cod fish, french fries, spinach, cauliflower with butter sauce, slaw or jello salad, brownies or fruit and cookies

## city briefs

FREE WEIGHT Loss Seminar, Coronado Inn, May 11, 7:30 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL Photograph Show, in the Library, May 6-8. Sponsored by Pampa Fine Arts.

PAM WINEGEART is back at work and is ready

to serve you in your hair needs. She will be working Tuesday, Thursdays and Fridays at Steve & Star's Hairstyling, 701 N. Hobart, 665-8958.

CLOSE OUT Sale - Home Interior Gifts - Friday and Saturday, May 7 and 8, 1 p.m. til 6 p.m. 908 N. Nelson. Call 665-7709.

## animal shelter report

These animals are currently being boarded at the Pampa Animal Shelter, located in Hobart Street Park.

The shelter is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. On Saturday, the shelter is open from 11 a.m. to noon and from 4 to 5 p.m. For more information, call 669-6149 or 669-7407.

Male adults: black and white bulldog, black and tan Doberman, black Labrador, black and white collie mix, white and brown collie mix, tan and white Pekingese.

Male puppies: white and tan terrier, brown and white Labrador mix, black and white shepherd mix.

Female adults: brown and white Chihuahua, white shepherd, tan terrier, blonde shepherd, blonde shepherd-collie mix, liver - white pointer, tri-colored collie.

Female puppies: gray and white bird dog mix, brown and white terrier mix, blonde retriever mix, black and white Labrador mix, sable collie mix.

## stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler - Evans of Pampa:		DIA	21%
Wheat	3.65	Dorchester	16%
Milo	4.50	Getty	22%
Corn	5.15	Halliburton	24%
Soybeans	5.41	HCA	23%
The following quotations show the range within which these securities could have been traded at the time of completion:		Ingersoll-Rand	31
Ky. Cent. Life	14 1/4 - 15 1/4	Mobil	27 1/2
Southern Financial	14 1/4 - 15 1/4	Kerr-McGee	28
Servco	17 1/2 - 17 3/4	PVA	21 1/2
Phillips	17 1/2 - 17 3/4	SJ	20 1/2
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Schneider Bernet Hickman, Inc. of Amarillo:		Southern Pub	44
Beatrice Foods	19 1/4	Tenneco	27
Cabot	22 1/4	Texasco	24 1/2
Celanese	28 1/4	Zales	22 1/2
Citizens Service	35	London Gold	352 1/2
		Silver	8.85

# Hinckley seen as 'psychopathic poet'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Even before the first defense witness testifies about John W. Hinckley's mind, jurors are getting to know him as a self-styled "psychopathic poet" in love with Jodie Foster and awed by Adolf Hitler.

From handwritten essays, poems and postcards, the jury learned Wednesday that the man who shot President Reagan considered himself both a Christian and a Nazi; that he thought Miss Foster misunderstood him; that he believed Hitler was misunderstood by the world.

Hinckley's writings were submitted as evidence Wednesday by prosecutors

trying to prove Hinckley was sane when he shot Reagan and three others March 30, 1981.

Defense witnesses, including Hinckley's parents, were ready to begin testifying today that the defendant was insane.

Hinckley's undated papers were seized from his parents' \$300,000 home in a Denver suburb and from Room 312 of the Park Central Hotel in Washington, where he made final plans to impress Miss Foster by killing a president.

"I have become what I wanted to be all along, a psychopathic poet,"

Hinckley wrote in "The Painful Evolution," one of 38 pages of writings seized from the hotel room.

At least two poems are addressed to Miss Foster, the movie star with whom Hinckley carried on a one-sided love affair. He telephoned her twice and left letters under her dormitory door at Yale. She told him to leave her alone.

"Jodie squirms and pretends not to care," he wrote in "This Thing Called Love." "I swear the end is very near. Right here is a good place to start. Your heart shall forget how to beat. How sweet is this thing called love!"

And in "Amen": "Jodie, please watch over me and protect me. Have me do your will in this life of mine. I repent for my sins and ask your forgiveness. And I humbly ask all of this in your mother's name. Amen."

In one of the essays submitted to the jury of 11 blacks and one white, Hinckley expressed strong prejudice

against blacks and Jews and said he "officially joined the Nationalist Socialist Party of America in October, 1978."

"By the summer of 1978, at the age of 23, I was an all-out anti-Semite and white racist," he wrote. "I read a book from cover-to-cover called Mein Kampf by Adolf Hitler. This autobiography by the most misunderstood man in history is, after the Bible, the greatest book ever written."

# Reporting service begins interviewing farmers

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service will begin interviewing farmers and ranchers this month on 1982 crop acreage and mid-year livestock inventories.

The interviews will be confidential and will be conducted through the mail or in person by field enumerators. Combined results will be published in June as state and county estimates.

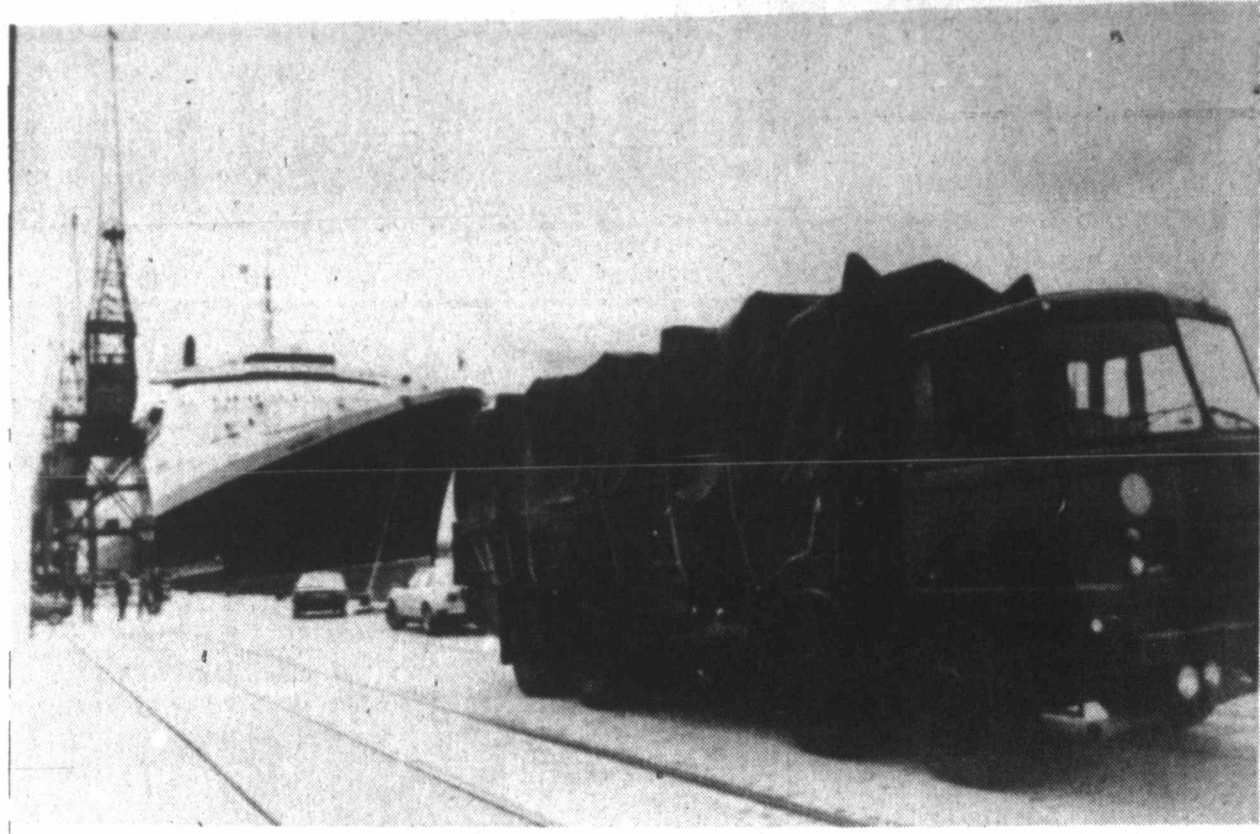
Local Farmers Home Administration offices will answer questions about the survey and aid in completing mailed questionnaires.

The estimates will be used by farmers and ranchers for planning their planting, breeding, feeding, storing, producing and marketing. The information is an alternative to trade source estimates.

The reports will also be used by farm organizations and legislatures to plan and develop farm programs, by extension economists and farm and ranch consultants in advising farmers and ranchers, and by exporters to plan and promote sales of Texas agricultural products.

Estimates are published annually for livestock, dairy, poultry, cotton, small grains, vegetables, fruits and pecans and cash receipts from sales of Texas farm commodities.

Free copies of annual estimates may be obtained from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, P.O. Box 70, Austin, Texas, 78767, or from agriculture commissioner Reagan V. Brown, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711.



PREPARING THE QUEEN. A British Army truck stands on the dockside at Southampton, Wednesday, beside the liner Queen Elizabeth 2. The Cunard Line's luxury ship has been requisitioned by the British government and is being converted for use as a troopship for possible use in the Falkland Islands. (AP Laserphoto)

# Congressmen sponsor Farm Crisis Act to help farmers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 1981 Farm Act was enacted only five months ago, but 18 congressmen already have introduced legislation to change it dramatically. They say thousands of farmers will be driven into bankruptcy if something isn't done.

"Business as usual just won't do when farm income is down 60 percent and bankruptcy has reached a near 50-year high," said Rep. Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

Daschle, along with Rep. Kent Hance, D-Texas, led the drive for early abandonment of several parts of the current law.

Hance is one of four Democratic Texas congressmen among the 18 co-sponsors of the Farm Crisis Act of 1982 introduced Wednesday. Like Hance, Reps. Charles Stenholm, Jack Hightower and Marvin Leath opposed the four-year farm bill that barely passed Congress a few months ago.

The bill would require a referendum among the nation's farmers in July to help determine a cropland set-aside program and it would provide funds for an agricultural credit revolving fund to aid capable farmers facing bankruptcy.

Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill has indicated an interest in the bill and has promised to expedite its consideration before the full House, Daschle said.

Hightower said the bill's chances will be helped by a Congressional Budget Office report that estimated the

proposal would be less costly to the federal government than the existing program.

Because of the amount of land taken out of production, deficiency payments and storage costs would decrease and less grain would be redeemed, resulting in a savings of \$899 million over four years, the CBO study said.

The legislation "stays within budgetary constraints and poses no threat to consumers," Hance said.

Since most of the provisions have already been before the House Agriculture Committee at one time or another, quick consideration by that panel is expected, with the bill hitting the floor by May 15, Hance predicted.

"I think we can have prompt hearings and have a fighting chance of either winning support from or defeating the administration on the floor," Daschle said.

Secretary of Agriculture John Block asked to meet with the group today to discuss the proposal.

The referendum would allow farmers to designate 15 percent of their land for conservation purposes in return for a 10 percent increase in loan rates. An affirmative vote of 55 percent of the farmers participating would be required for approval.

Farmers failing to comply with the referendum provisions would be ineligible for all farm programs for three years, including price support

loans, federal crop insurance, Farmers Home Administration loans and soil conservation assistance.

The agriculture secretary would be required to establish a voluntary set-aside should the referendum be defeated. The voluntary set-aside would take effect when carry-over levels reached certain pre-determined levels.

The set-aside acreage could be devoted to haying and grazing. The acres diverted by the proposed 1983 set-aside program would be calculated on a total crop-acres basis rather than the crop-specific method used under the current farm program.

Other provisions of the act would allow farmers to divert an additional 5 percent diversion in the 1982 crop program, and be paid for that diversion; call for \$1 billion in the Agriculture Credit Revolving Fund; and require the agriculture secretary to use the \$600 million available under the Economic Emergency Loan Program.

Other co-sponsors of the legislation are Reps. Don Albosta, D-Mich.; Berkeley Bedell, D-Iowa; Byron Dorgan, D-N.D.; Glenn English, D-Okla.; Dan Glickman, D-Kan.; Tom Harkin, D-Iowa; Ed Jones, D-Tenn.; Ron Marlenee, R-Mont.; Dave McCurdy, D-Okla.; Leon Panetta, D-Calif.; Charles Rose, D-N.C.; Arlan Stangeland, R-Minn.; and Mike Synar, D-Okla.

# Pancake poisoning results in charges

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. (AP) — A young woman who said she whipped up a batch of poisoned pancake mix during a suicidal mood testified that she threw out the tainted flour, not thinking her mother would find it and use it to make flapjacks for the family.

The family thought the strychnine-laced pancakes tasted bitter, so they were fed to the dog, which died.

Kathryn K. Furu, a 23-year-old college student and champion fencer, delivered her testimony during a preliminary hearing on whether she should go on trial for the attempted murder by poisoning of her father and two sisters.

Miss Furu, on the first day of the hearing, admitted Wednesday she mixed strychnine into a box of flour.

Her mother, Virginia Furu, testified that she saw the open box of flour in the wastecan that morning, retrieved it and made pancakes.

Mrs. Furu said her husband, Donald, and another daughter, Victoria, began eating the flapjacks but rejected them because of a bitter taste. She said the

pancakes then were fed to the family dog, a 100-pound bouvier, and the dog died the same day.

Miss Furu was not present when the pancakes were served.

The assistant county prosecutor, John MacFarland, said the mother's testimony was a surprise. "This information has never been brought forward," he said, and Mrs. Furu never told that account to investigators. He did not say what bearing the account would have on the case.

The hearing was in Battle Creek District Court before District Judge Stephen Miller. It was recessed after about five hours of testimony and scheduled for resumption Friday. Police investigators are expected to testify then.

"If I'd had the slightest idea my mother would have seen the pancake box in the wastebasket, I would have burned it that night," Miss Furu testified.

The incident occurred July 28, 1981. The family lives in Ceresco, a town southeast of Battle Creek. Victoria and

Elaine Furu live in Marshall and they stop nearly every weekday morning at their parents' home, where Kathryn Furu was living at the time, according to testimony.

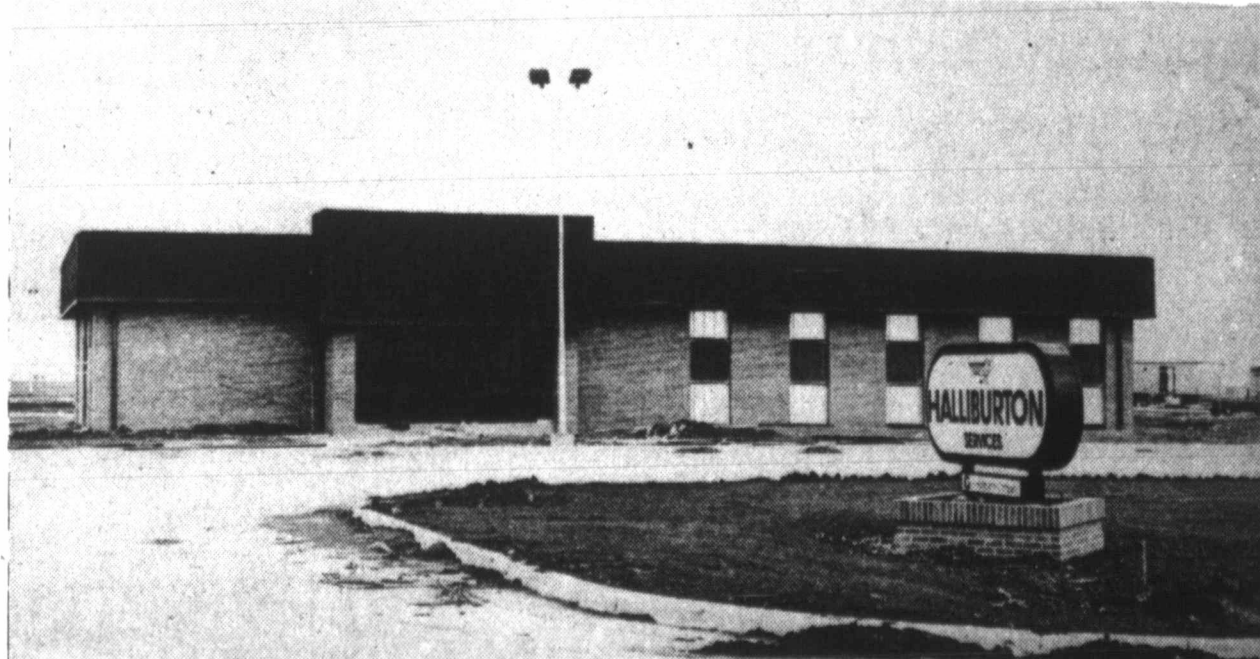
Kathryn Furu testified she stole the strychnine from her brother-in-law, a veterinarian, and picked that particular poison because it is used as an animal euthanasia drug. "Euthanasia means sleep unto death," she said. "It sounded very appropriate."

She said she abandoned the suicide plan after she read an encyclopedia account of death by strychnine, which she described as "grisly." She said she voluntarily became a patient at a psychiatric hospital July 31 and stayed there "about a week."

Miss Furu said she wanted to kill herself because she had been depressed over troubles with a male friend and with her sisters.

"I felt they (the sisters) didn't want me around my parents' place," she said.

She was arraigned April 15 and freed on \$60,000 personal recognizance bond.



HALLIBURTON SERVICES is constructing new offices and field operations buildings on a 40-acre lot in Pampa's Industrial Park east of the city. Doug McBride, Halliburton's assistant district manager, said the expansion is the result of "overgrowth" at the firm's present location at 300 S. West. McBride said the new site was four years in the planning stages, and should be completed in June. Shown here are the firm's new field offices. The construction will also include shops, a warehouse and a bulk plant, and will offer the firm's complete line of services, including cementing, fracturing, acidizing, tool work and industrial testing. (Staff Photo by David Christenson)



# Seven killed in south Texas

CHARLOTTE, Texas (AP) — Roger Rodriguez was plowing a field with tractor and disc harrow when he heard a rumble in the sky and looked up to see if it was going to rain. What he saw was a plane crash that killed seven people.

"I heard something like thunder and when I looked at the clouds the plane was falling," he said. "There was a lot of smoke and pieces were falling along with the plane. It looked like paper falling from the sky."

The twin-engine plane exploded in flight Wednesday afternoon. Investigators said the charter flight was returning its passengers from a fishing trip near San Jose del Cobo on Mexico's Baja peninsula. All seven people aboard died.

Rodriguez said debris from the crash landed almost at his feet.

"It (the airplane) was on fire ... it continued to burn after it hit the ground," Rodriguez said. "We came over and the debris was all on fire. We couldn't see anybody."

"It was awful," said Allen Hime Jr., who owns the land where the plane went down. "I'll tell you, I was in the service and I've seen airplane crashes and car wrecks and so forth, but I never saw one burned up like this. It was burned about as totally as it could be."

The turbo-prop airplane had stopped at Laredo to clear U.S. Customs after crossing the border and departed about 2 p.m. enroute to San Antonio, said officials at Laredo International Airport.

The names of the victims were being withheld pending positive identification of the badly burned remains and notification of kin, said Atascosa County Deputy Sheriff Leonard Lozano.

Guards were ordered to spend the night at the crash site to protect it until National Transportation Safety Board inspectors could examine the wreckage today.

A passenger manifest filed in Laredo, along with the flight plan, listed seven names but officials said early today they still had not positively identified the bodies pulled from the

smoldering wreckage.

"The wreckage is scattered over two miles," said Lozano. "The plane hit upside-down in the middle of a barley field," said Sheriff Tommy Williams.

Lozano said the Beechcraft-BE-90 King Air crashed about 3:30 p.m. about five miles south of Charlotte, which is 40 miles south of San Antonio.

Federal Aviation Administration radar was tracking the plane when it suddenly disappeared from the radar, said the agency's duty officer in Fort Worth, asking that his name not be used. There was no radio contact from the pilot to indicate the airplane was in trouble, said officials at the Laredo airport. Lozano said the plane's registration number was destroyed by the crash and fire.



**POT GARDENER BUSTED.** An 82-year-old woman was arrested for growing marijuana in her back yard in Houston, but the officer who booked her hopes the judge will give the "sweet old lady" a one-day probation and a warning not to grow it again. Laura Ethyl Clark, pictured in her back yard Wednesday, said she only used the stuff to relieve the pain in her joints by boiling it into tea and rubbing it on her joints. (AP Laserphoto)

## Sue Ellen's refuge ranch on the market

DALLAS (AP) — Clayton Farlow's ranch, the Southern Cross, is up for sale.

Yes, the portico where Dusty Farlow's shotgun-toting guards stood their ground against nefarious J.R. Ewing, the gazebo where Sue Ellen told J.R. she wasn't coming back to Southfork, the room where Dusty recuperated from the airplane crash that almost killed him — all for sale.

Now if you are not a regular viewer of that television phenomenon known as "Dallas," none of this means anything. But if you watch it regularly you know these were crucial times for the Ewings, the fictional family whose excesses are depicted on the weekly TV program.

The location where those scenes were filmed is, in reality, the Bar H Ranch. It is 21 miles from downtown Dallas, not near San Angelo as the program has it, and is owned by oilman Norris Harris.

If you have \$2.9 million to spend on the grounds, three houses and a barn, and can afford a \$50,000 monthly overhead, real estate agent Marilyn Hoffman-Hipps would be glad to talk to you.

Ms. Hoffman-Hipps frankly admits she wants to parlay the television connection for all it's worth.

"It's a tremendous sales

point," she said. "Wouldn't you like to sleep in Sue Ellen's bedroom?"

The 500 acres include the Spanish-style four-bedroom main house, a foreman's house, guest house, swimming pool, two-story barn and four manmade lakes.

"It's an oilman's home," Mrs. Hoffman-Hipps said. "It's perfect for an oilman."

Whoever buys it will also inherit the film crew and stars when Lorimar Productions returns in June to shoot new scenes. But the hassle of the filming — which only took 11 days last year, at \$1,000 a day — is not what's chasing Harris out of his home.

The 49-year-old self-made millionaire recently divorced his first wife and remarried Mrs. Harris No. 2. She doesn't cotton to living in the same house as Mrs. Harris No. 1.

## Temple expected to drop out of governor's race

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Railroad Commissioner Buddy Temple was expected to pull out of the race for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination today and give the nomination to Attorney General Mark White without a June 5 runoff.

Temple, 40, decided Wednesday to withdraw and was expected to hold a news conference today to announce his decision, a source close to the Temple campaign told The Associated Press. Temple was unavailable for comment.

KTVV-TV, the Austin American-Statesman and the San Antonio Express also quoted sources as saying Temple was withdrawing from the race.

"He looked at the numbers and the amount of money he would have to raise and decided to get out," one campaign source, who requested anonymity, told the American-Statesman.

Clark Jobe, a Temple aide, refused Wednesday night to confirm or deny that Temple was withdrawing from the race and thereby becoming the second candidate to pull out of a June 5 runoff for state office.

State Treasurer Warren G. Harding, who finished No. 2 in Saturday's primary for the Democratic nomination for treasurer, announced Tuesday that he was quitting the race.

The American-Statesman reported that

Temple called campaign coordinators around the state Wednesday and told them to close down operations.

According to the San Antonio Express, Temple reportedly told a gathering of 30 statewide supporters Wednesday that he was withdrawing because White's lead would be difficult to overcome and because a runoff campaign would hurt each so bad that the winner would have difficulty beating Republican Gov. Bill Clements in November's general election.

Clements, the state's first Republican governor since Reconstruction, easily defeated retired insurance man Lowell "Duke" Embs, 52, of San Antonio in Saturday's GOP primary. Clements won more than 92 percent of the vote.

White captured about 44.7 percent of the votes in Saturday's Democratic gubernatorial primary, less than the majority needed to avert a runoff but enough to give him a hefty lead over the other five candidates.

Temple came away with 30.4 percent and Land Commissioner Bob Armstrong got 19.8 percent. With 6,255 of 6,256 precincts reporting, White had 583,495 votes to Temple's 397,235 and Armstrong's 259,091.

Armstrong had said he would not throw his support to either candidate in the runoff but would enthusiastically support the winner against Clements.

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## OPINION PAGE

### Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

A recent George Plagenz column movingly told of a mother's loss of a child and one could not fail to sympathize deeply with her situation. The mother's perception of events, however, still remains to be tested by court rules of evidence. A number of witnesses both question and earnestly deny the picture of events as they are being related.

The column lets stand the impression that Christian Scientists are not free to choose their own course, including medicine if they wish. This simply isn't factual. The mother in this case, for example, had chosen to see a doctor and have an operation herself only nine months earlier.

It is true that Christian Science is a Christian denomination which embraces the New Testament concept of healing through prayer. But while Christian Scientists normally desire to

rely on spiritual means for healing, this view is thoughtfully and rationally worked out. It is part of a whole theology, and certainly has no element of coercion or lack of Christian compassion.

Christian Scientists have always taken the position this is finally a question for individual spiritual decision. As Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of the Church, put it: "Our motto should be the Master's counsel, 'Judge not, that ye be not judged.'"

Signed,  
A. W. Phinney, manager  
Committees on Publication  
The First Church of Christ, Scientist  
(Editor's Note: The column referred to in this letter ran in our paper Feb. 19, titled "A Child Dies," by George R. Plagenz, furnished to our newspaper by the Newspaper Enterprise Association. We have forwarded a copy of Phinney's response to Plagenz.)

### Death in Duarte

The case of DeLois Young, whose unborn baby was killed when she was allegedly shot by a Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy, should raise new questions about the wisdom of laws to protect us from ourselves. DeLois Young's baby will never live to see how often such laws invite abuse. Perhaps the rest of us can learn something from the incident.

The story told by sheriff's department spokesmen is almost beyond belief. A deputy is said to have phoned in a phony disturbance call so that he would get the assignment to investigate the non-existent disturbance. DeLois Young answered the door at two in the morning with a .22 rifle (later discovered to be unloaded) in her hands. According to the report, the deputy shot her twice with a .38, killing her baby.

And why would a deputy stoop to such behavior? Apparently, based on what is now known, because some deputies thought the house was a hotbed of illegal drug activity. Ah! Well, we've got to wipe out this menace by any means necessary, even if it means bending the law a little, even if it means outright deception.

### Watt's the matter now?

When you see the battle-ready countenance of James G. Watt staring up from a newspaper page, you know some reporter has caught him in the midst of a new outrage against all that is good and holy.

Watt's crime this time was trying to dispose of federal land. In a yet-to-be finished proposal, the interior secretary wants to raise \$1 billion through sale of federal lands in fiscal year 1983 and \$4 billion annually thereafter. It's part of the Reagan budget plan (a way to lower the deficit, mind you!), and a move that's long overdue.

Some of the property being considered consists of surplus sites near urban areas, such as has already been targeted by no less a radical than Sen. Charles Percy, R-Ill. Other lands, however, are in the wide-open West, thus prompting a quick tugging of hamstrings among the environmental lobby.

What's curious about the latest Watt row is that much of the criticism of the pending sale appears to be coming from the land-dependent interests so closely associated with the secretary in the media mind. Representative of their fears, according to a New York Times account, is this comment from Colorado Gov. Richard Lamm: "All of a sudden a lot of people here are having second thoughts about the 'sagebrush rebellion' because

The sheriff's department, which deserves some credit for forthrightness, says that a search of the house didn't uncover any illegal drugs.

When government steps beyond legitimate limits, the results are usually tragic, though not always as dramatic as the DeLois Young case. When an individual abuses a drug, he or she has a problem. When government decides that it is a crime to possess certain substances the problem is magnified; it becomes not an individual problem, but a social problem. Artificial criminals are created, suspicion is sown, artificially high prices and profits lure real criminals into the trade. The result, all too often, is violence, and citizens may feel more insecure than they would if the government hadn't gone to such lengths to protect us from ourselves.

DeLois Young's case is probably more complex than we know yet. It would be simplistic to claim that drug laws alone caused her baby's death. But it would be closing our eyes to reality not to acknowledge the fact that they played an important part in setting up the tragedy in Duarte.

turning land over to the private marketplace is going to be much more disruptive than business as usual.

Could it be that business concerns that have profited handsomely from their coziness with present and past Interior Department management of Western lands feel threatened by open competition for the use of those spreads? Per chance are the notorious exploiters faced with a bill come due?

Numerous reports have suggested that Watt's agency has become a handmaiden of resources and ranching industries. Some of these are likely true — corruption follows power. What this latest ruckus reminds us, however, is that Watt is one of the more ideologically principled of the Reagan cabinet. Just as when he proposed vastly expanded offshore oil exploration to the dismay of comfortable sectors of the drilling industry, his goal — detractors would call it a mystical vision — would seem to be expanded opportunity for all, not more profits for a powerful few.

If Watt indeed were someday to sell off much of the vast federal holdings in the West, which he hasn't even hinted he plans to do, perhaps we would all be winners. His critics could rejoice in the fact he wouldn't be the overseer of this "national treasure," and we could take heart that neither would his successor.

## No risk for insurance industry

By ROBERT WALTERS  
WASHINGTON (NEA) — It's an industry that consumes 11.7 percent of the nation's entire disposable income every year, yet it produces nothing of value and contributes nothing to the country's wealth.

It's the insurance business, which enjoys a special exemption from federal antitrust laws, freedom from virtually all public oversight and assets more than twice as large as the wealthy petroleum industry.

Insurance companies do provide a service to society. But they are, in effect, glorified clerks and accountants who merely collect and redistribute funds provided by other people — customers willing to enter a shared-risk arrangement by pooling their money.

The inordinately high fees charged for that paper-shuffling service have made the industry extraordinarily

wealthy. The National Insurance Consumer Organization, a relatively new public-interest group based in nearby Alexandria, Va., provides these representative figures:

— Americans paid more than \$240 billion in life, health, property and casualty insurance premiums in 1981, an amount not far below the \$284 billion those same people paid that year in federal personal income taxes.

— For every dollar paid by customers in insurance premiums, only 50 to 60 cents is returned to them in the form of payments on claims they file.

— Approximately \$100 billion of the customers' money is held by property and casualty insurance companies in reserve accounts. The firms invest that money and earn substantial income on it — but they seldom share the proceeds with the clients who supplied the capital.

All other major industries in this

country — including banking, automobiles, petroleum, steel and chemicals — are subjected to some form of oversight by the executive and legislative branches of the federal government.

Only the insurance industry is exempt — and it has enough political "clout" to guarantee that there will be no serious, sustained public examination of how it conducts its business.

In 1944, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the industry was subject to the federal antitrust statutes applicable to almost all other forms of business enterprise.

Within a year, however, the industry had successfully lobbied Congress to nullify that judicial decision through passage of a law containing a special antitrust exemption.

In 1979, the staff of the Federal Trade Commission produced a report highly

critical of life insurance pricing practices. Within a year, the industry had secured a federal law prohibiting the FTC from conducting any further investigations without the explicit approval of congress.

The 1945 law, the McCarran-Ferguson Act, contains a provision that specifically allows price-fixing in the retail sale of insurance by authorizing underwriters to establish the amount all agents (even independents) can charge for the services they provide to the public.

"Thus, able, aggressive agents who can market insurance more efficiently are prevented... from passing any of those savings on to their clients," says NICO President J. Robert Hunter, a former Federal Insurance Administrator.

In theory, insurance company practices are subject to state laws and regulations. In practice, too many state insurance commissioners are industry pawns. A 1979 General Accounting Office report found "serious shortcomings" in the states' regulations of the industry.

"No state has meaningful disclosure systems where (customers can) find out which company is cheapest, which company offers the best service, which policy gives the most coverage or which company offers the best value," says Hunter.

"When it comes to life insurance, it's even worse," he adds. "You cannot get rate-of-return information on the savings portion of your whole life insurance policy. Who would deposit money in a bank that refused to say what interest rate is paid on savings accounts?"

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

### Today in history

Today is Thursday, May 6, the 126th day of 1982. There are 239 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On May 6, 1937, the German dirigible, Hindenburg, exploded and burned on landing at Lakehurst, N.J., killing 36 passengers.

On this date: In 1527, troops under Charles, Duke of Bourbon, murdered the duke and pillaged Rome, killing about 4,000 inhabitants.

In 1882, the United States banned Chinese immigration for 10 years. In 1942, U.S. Filipino forces on the island of Corregidor in Manila Bay surrendered to the Japanese in World War II.

In 1955, Britain submitted its dispute with Argentina and Chile over ownership of the Falkland Islands to the International Court, but those countries refused to present counter-suits.

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## JUST A LITTLE GLIMPSE OF SUMMER

by Barry McWilliams



### The road to the Gulag

By ANTHONY HARRIGAN  
One of the saddest developments of recent years is the transformation of many church seminaries into centers of radical politics. The seminarians and their teachers seem much more interested in praising the guerrillas in El Salvador and pushing Moscow's nuclear freeze propaganda than in studying theology and ethics.

The Harvard Divinity School is among the most politicized of the seminaries. "The Salient" magazine, published by students at Harvard, recently reported that some 2,000 individuals associated with the Divinity School, including 80 percent of its faculty, have put their names to a resolution supporting an immediate halt in the production of nuclear weapons, and the eventual banning of

all such arms. "The Salient" commented: "Doubtless the seminaries were possessed of good intentions — which may yet pave the road to the Gulag. But apparently the divine wisdom does not extend to understanding that initiatives which may have great influence in the United States, but which can make no headway at all in the Soviet Union, amounts to calls for unilateral disarmament. And unilateral disarmament is worse than none at all, for it increases the risk of war by making the West a more inviting target."

Good for the editors of "The Salient," and for the 230 percent of the Divinity School faculty who remain undecided. This action by the Harvard Divinity School group — and it is characteristic of many other church institutions — is

amazing in that it is based on the notion that peace can be preserved by allowing a tyrannical regime to have the edge in armaments. Unilateral disarmament, for that's what the immediate nuclear freeze proposal amounts to, is an invitation to the rulers of the Soviet Union to blackmail the West.

The pacifist fever grips many church groups today. This is not the first time such a fever has raged in democracies. In the twenties and thirties, many people believe that they could achieve peace in their time by reducing defense. The United States agreed to a reduction in naval armament in the 1920s. The result was that the Japanese took advantage of America. Pacific islands were secretly fortified by the Japanese. The payoff for the Japanese came at Pearl Harbor when they almost destroyed the American fleet. Thousands of Americans died on coral atolls because of the pacifist folly.

These are practical considerations and historical truths which should cause a new generation of disarmers to pause in their activities. It is equally amazing and distressing, however, that prominent churchmen, at Harvard and elsewhere, turn a blind eye to the peculiar evil of the Soviet system. Obviously, they don't read the work of Alexander Solzhenitsyn and other survivors of Soviet slave labor camps in the seminaries these days. The politicized theologians are as busy promoting liberation theology and other Left causes that they have no time to study the testimony of those who have suffered at the hands of the Soviet regime. The moral heroes of resistance to communist oppression are ignored while marchers against national defense are regarded as a progressive vanguard. The atheists in the Kremlin must be amused.



By ART BUCHWALD

### Trouble in the schools

By ART BUCHWALD  
Linda Peoples was giving the dinner. When dessert was finished she said, "I have some exciting news for all of you." "So tell us already," someone said. "My son George just read his first book."

"We all raised our wine glasses to toast the occasion. "How old is George?" Reilly asked. "He'll be 48 next month," Linda said. "That's fantastic," Rowan said. "My son is 21 and he hasn't read a book yet." "George has always been a bright student," Linda bragged. "What book did he read?" Frannie Huff wanted to know.

"J.D. Salinger's 'Catcher in the Rye.'" "There was an embarrassed silence at the table. "What's wrong?" Linda wanted to know.

"'Catcher in the Rye' is a dirty book," I said. "Where did he get his hands on such filthy literature?" "He found it in the school library," Linda said.

Extrom was outraged. "You ought to report the librarian to the school board. They probably don't even know it's there."

"But George seemed to enjoy it," Linda said defensively. "Sure he enjoyed it," Reilly said. "It's full of sex and bad words. But it doesn't belong in a high school library. The next thing you know, George will be reading 'Huckleberry Finn' and Kurt Vonnegut's 'Slaughterhouse Five.'"

"Or Studs Terkel's 'Working,'" I said.

"Not to mention Somerset Maugham's 'Of Human Bondage,'" Frannie Huff said.

"Are they all bad books?" Linda asked. "The worst. They've ruined kids for

life," I said. "But we've been trying to get George to read a book since he was 12 years old. 'Catcher in the Rye' was a breakthrough, and it would break his heart if we told him he couldn't read any more like it."

"There are books and there are books," Extrom said. "My daughter came home from her English class with William Faulkner's 'Sanctuary,' and I told her if she every brought anything like that in the house again I'd throw it in the furnace. I also reported her teacher to the principal."

I said, "If more parents took an interest in what their kids were reading we wouldn't have such a rotten society."

"Well, it's too late now," Linda said. "George has already read 'Catcher in the Rye.' What do I do?"

"Watch him closely," Frannie Huff said. "Search his room. If you find a book by John Steinbeck or James Baldwin under his bed, then you know he's in real trouble and I would take his library card away from him."

"I wish I had kept a closer eye on my son. I let him read Hemingway's 'The Sun Also Rises' when he was 15 years old, and the next thing I knew he checked out Malamud's 'The Fixer.'"

Extrom said. "Where do you find out what books are bad for children's minds?" Linda wanted to know.

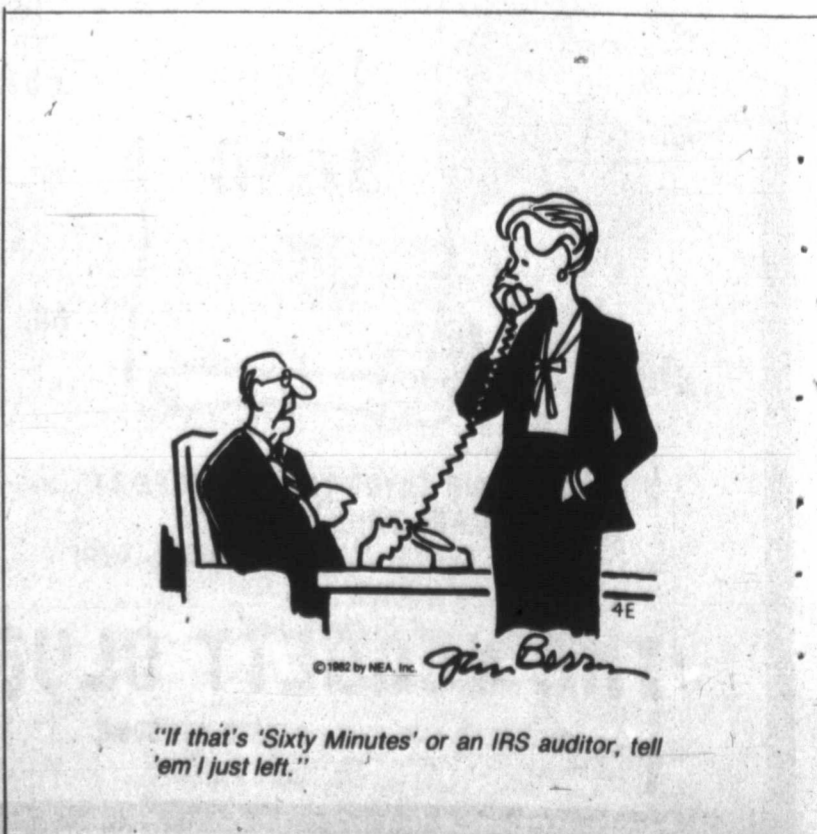
"There are organizations all over the country that will supply you with lists," I said. "We get our guidance from a couple who censor books in Texas."

"What's George reading now?" Reilly asked. Linda said "Voltaire's 'Candide.'"

"I hate to tell you this," said Frannie Huff, "But you have a sick kid on your hands."

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### Berry's World





## Indicted judge bides time, draws full salary

MIAMI (AP) — Alcee Hastings is a federal judge without a caseload, an influential leader who could go to prison. Although he was once a rising star in Florida politics, his luster has been obscured by bribery charges for which there is no legal precedent.

Hastings, who became Florida's first black federal judge when President Carter appointed him to the federal bench in 1979, was indicted last December on bribery charges along with William A. Borders Jr., a close friend and a Washington lawyer.

Borders is to be sentenced Friday in Atlanta for conspiracy to commit bribery and obstruction of justice. He was convicted of soliciting case-fixing bribes on Hastings' behalf.

Hastings, 45, faces identical charges. But he won't be tried until appellate courts make a decision on his argument that a sitting federal judge is constitutionally immune from criminal

trial. There is no legal precedent, since no sitting federal judge has ever stood trial. Hastings' attorneys have said they will pursue the matter to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary.

If the courts side with Hastings, the House of Representatives would have to impeach him — the equivalent of an indictment — and the Senate would have to consider his case and convict him before he could be removed from the bench.

When Borders was convicted in March, before a federal judge from Maine who tried the case in Atlanta because of publicity in Miami, Hastings said he had "nothing to do whatever with what Bill Borders did."

Hastings removed himself from all cases last October when the bribery probe became public. He continues to draw his \$70,000 annual judge's salary,

but insists, "It's not a picnic and it's not vacation."

He said he is immersed in preparing his case making speeches and receiving encouragement from friends.

"I'm very busy, keeping myself occupied," Hastings said in an interview last week at the suburban Lauderdale condominium he shares with his mother and son.

"I've been traveling a lot. And I've been studying a lot," he said.

In the probe, an undercover FBI agent posed as one of two convicted racketeers who wanted Hastings to reduce their three-year sentences and restore forfeited assets in exchange for \$150,000. In October 1981, Hastings ordered \$845,000 of \$1.2 million seized by the government returned to the racketeers, Frank and Thomas Romano.



ARRIVE FOR TRIAL SESSION. John W. Hinckley Sr. and his wife JoaAnn arrive at the Federal District Court in Washington Wednesday for a session in the trial of their son John W. Hinckley Jr. He is charged with the shooting of President Reagan and three others outside a Washington hotel March 30, 1981. (AP Laserphoto)

## Store roof collapses in rainstorm

LAWTON, Okla. (AP) — A section of a supermarket roof collapsed under the weight of rainwater Wednesday night, killing one woman and critically injuring another as thunderstorms flooded streets in southern Oklahoma, officials said.

"Water went to pouring in all over," said Bernice Noble, an assistant manager at the Humpty Dumpty supermarket. Officials said the roof over about one-third of the store fell in at about 6:20 p.m.

"There weren't many customers in the store — about 10 or 15 — because of the rainstorm," she said.

The dead woman wasn't immediately identified. The injured woman was identified as Helen Trivey, 27, a store employee.

About 4 inches of rain fell in

Lawton Wednesday night, and streets were flooded in the southeastern Oklahoma town of Ada, where 5.75 inches of rain fell. Chickasha, south of Oklahoma City, had 3 inches of rain, and 2.71 inches were reported in Holdenville.

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## Army will destroy shell

CUERO, Texas (AP) — Military experts say they will destroy the 81 millimeter projectile that someone jettisoned in the Guadalupe River.

"We'll just get rid of it because it never could be used by the Army," Sgt. 1st Class Gary Owen of the 137th Ordnance Group, headquartered at the Corpus Christi Army Depot, said Wednesday.

Texas Highway Department workmen building a bridge over the river two miles outside Cuero on the Old San Antonio Highway scooped up the 21-inch long Army green projectile while dredging the bottom of the river on Tuesday.

Construction was halted until Owen and another ammunition expert explored the river bottom with metal detectors to assure no other projectiles were in the area.

Owen said it was "very doubtful" that the shell, manufactured in 1971, could have exploded.

"The thing had never been fired. The fuse was never armed," Owen said.

"It was found almost in the center of the Guadalupe River. We got down there and looked around with metal detectors. But we didn't find anything more."

Lasaro Campus, chief deputy in DeWitt County, said Wednesday that Army officials in San Antonio were trying to trace the origin of the shell by using lot numbers inscribed on it.

"We're still awaiting word from the armed forces," Campus said.

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# Health department disputes home birth doctor

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — Babies have been born everywhere from log cabins and taxicabs to modern hospitals. And at home, too. But delivering babies at home has created a stir in upstate New York, where a doctor has been suspended for the practice.

By **SUSAN LISOVICZ**  
Associated Press Writer  
KINGSTON, N.Y. (AP) — To Anne Thompson, the man who delivered her two babies in her own bedroom is "the most competent doctor I've ever run across."

To the chief of pediatrics at an Albany hospital, that same doctor is "responsible for some horrendous problems" with his home-birth patients.

Dr. George A. Wootan is the focus of a passionate dispute in this community in the Catskill Mountain foothills 75 miles northwest of New York City. It pits Wootan and his small, but steadfast following against the New York State Health Dept.

Wootan, a slight, soft-spoken man, is the father of 10 children, the last of whom was delivered at home. He says his wife, Pat, prompted the idea of a home birth after a "very disappointing experience" with their ninth child. He says

the birth made him wonder, "If I as a physician can't have the type of birth experience I want with my wife, what chance does anybody else have?"

Shortly after, he agreed to attend two births at home.

Wootan found his services in demand by women who did not want the traditional hospital delivery, a growing sentiment behind the increasing popularity of "natural childbirth."

"The word spread like wildfire. I was up to my ears in home births," Wootan says. Home births now account for 20 percent of his practice, he says.

But Wootan's medical license was suspended after a medical board investigation alleged his methods contributed to the deaths of at least two babies and endangered his patients.

State Health Commissioner David Axelrod suspended Wootan's license last Nov. 20 after an investigation by the State Board for Professional Misconduct. The board had reported that "deficiencies in Dr. Wootan's medical practice constitute an imminent danger to the health of his patients."

The panel, which could

permanently revoke Wootan's license, continues to hold closed hearings on the charges.

Meanwhile, on April 1, the five-judge Appellate Division of state Supreme Court ruled unanimously that the Health Department had overstepped its bounds in ordering the 60-day license suspension for Wootan.

The court said that Axelrod had exceeded his authority in ordering the full suspension, noting that Wootan's obstetrical practice amounted to only 20 percent of his work.

The Health Department will appeal the ruling, according to William Fagel of its public affairs staff.

In the meantime, Wootan cannot practice medicine.

Dr. Allan Geis, assistant professor of pediatrics at Albany Medical College and attending neonatologist at the Albany Medical Center, says he helped treat at least six seriously ill infants in the past two years who were hospitalized after home deliveries by Wootan. A hospital birth could have prevented or avoided most of the problems, according to Geis.

Doctors at the Albany Medical Center declined to discuss individual cases while the hearings are in progress.

Wootan, 45, maintains the safest possible birth is obtained in a home delivery and cites an infant mortality rate for his patients of 5.6 percent. Statewide, the infant mortality rate in 1980 was 12.5 percent, according to New York State Health Department statistics.

Wootan contends that the American Medical Association and what he calls the medical establishment conspired against him because his home-birth practice represents a financial threat to hospitals.

"If home births are allowed to catch on, it will mean a tremendous loss to the medical establishment," the family practitioner says. "And it's people like me who show that home births can be done safely. They have to get rid of me."

By delivering 350 babies at home since 1977, his practice has deprived local hospitals of nearly \$1 million, he says.

"When doctors interfere with drugs, chemicals, anxiety-producing situations, it interferes with these

systems that are in a woman's body and then trouble breaks loose. Trouble doesn't arise nearly as fast nor as often" with a natural childbirth at home, Wootan says.

"I'm not convinced that just because the pioneers did it, it's the better way," says Myron Gordon, chairman of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at the Albany Medical Center. Gordon and several area doctors disagree with Wootan's contention that a woman could not have a natural, deeply moving birth in a hospital.

Hospitals are "well aware of family-centered care and they've learned," Gordon says. His hospital offered mothers-to-be "almost a

cafeteria in the kinds of care they can have," including Lamaze, a training program in natural childbirth.

Several local doctors also dismissed Wootan's claim that he threatens their livelihoods.

"Those kinds of accusations can not be met with a rational argument," Gordon says. Planned deliveries at home account for "less than 1 percent of all deliveries," he says.

"I'm not objecting to home deliveries, I'm objecting to poor-quality care," says Dr. M. Edwin Pesnel, chief of pediatrics at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany.

Pesnel says serious complications sometimes develop at the last minute and

should be handled in a hospital. "Not every birth is easy," he says. "And you cannot predict which ones are going to be serious."

Anne and Greg Thompson, of Walkill, had both Erik, 4, and Kira, 1½, born at home, with Wootan attending. Mrs. Thompson says she was "determined" to have her children born at home because she wanted to have "a great deal of responsibility for my births."

She says she was unhappy about what she considered

impersonal care by obstetricians, drugs to speed up or slow down labor contractions, and "unnecessary" Caesarean sections in hospitals.

That's why she says she turned to Wootan. "I've never experienced the type of complete care he delivers."

The number of women who chose to have their children born at home in New York rose substantially in the last five years, according to Axelrod.

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# Buddhists hold study session in Pennsylvania

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — Buddhism is an Asian religion and philosophy that goes back to 6th century India. It is little known in the United States and less practiced. Yet, for the last nine years, Buddhists have been holding study sessions in secluded areas of this country and Canada. Here's a look at one held in Pennsylvania.

By **BOB DVORCHAK**  
Associated Press Writer  
BEDFORD, Pa. (AP) — From most outward appearances, the 350 doctors, dentists, lawyers, teachers, businessmen and other people registered at a secluded resort here look like routine convention-goers.

But they are Buddhists, attending a study session at the Bedford Springs Hotel, nestled in a conservative, rural area of southwestern Pennsylvania. They have juggled their job schedules, hoarded vacation time and paid nearly \$2,000 apiece for an 85-day retreat on the foremost lineage of Tibetan Buddhism available in the Western world.

awaken to bells and gongs. They burn incense and candles.

Yet suits and business skirts blend in with sportswear during study sessions and meals — a stark contrast to the stereotype of shaved heads and saffron robes.

"We're trying to fit right into the mainstream of America," says Dr. Jeremy Hayward, a board member of Vajradhara, an international association of Tibetan Buddhist meditation centers.

"People who have no idea what Buddhism is tend to lump everything that is non-Christian or non-Jewish as strange," adds Hayward, who left England for the United States in 1965 to teach molecular biology.

Townpeople were a bit edgy when they learned the Buddhists were coming. But then they met some of the seminary staff at local restaurants. Some Buddhists were invited to local high schools or civic clubs to explain their lifestyle, and they recently held an open house for local residents.

"We didn't know what to expect. I've never run across a Buddhist before. They're just normal people," says

Kitty Spiker, a waitress at a nearby restaurant. "We kind of like them. They're good for business."

This is the ninth annual Buddhist gathering but the first one at Bedford. The last three were held in the Canadian Rockies. Sites are chosen for seclusion, such as a resort in its off-peak season.

The 3,800-acre Bedford Springs resort, the summer White House of President Buchanan in the pre-Civil War years, fit the bill perfectly.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for most of the students, who have come from all over America plus England, Germany, Austria, Holland, Chile and Japan. The lineage is headquartered in Boulder, Colo.

The Buddhists, all of whom are first generation but advanced students, came to listen to the teachings of the Venerable Chogyon Trungpa, Rinpoche (an honorific title that means precious one).

Rinpoche, 42, fled to India when the Communist Chinese took over his homeland. He learned English and came to America to share the teachings of Buddha, who lived 2,500 years ago and whose name means "to be

wise."

And what does he expect his students to learn?

"I think largely to slow down, and also have their lifestyle in order — sorting out the chaos and replacing it with gentleness and harmony. The mark of a Buddhist is being less hectic," says Rinpoche.

He feels Buddhism can thrive in America, where it was practically nonexistent prior to the 1960s but now has some 200,000 practitioners of all lineage.

"I feel it's growing. The hippie culture has been subsiding slowly. The drug culture is slowly subsiding. Something that's not subsiding is Buddhism," he says.

"People are always suspicious of anything new," he adds.

Buddhists must deal with the public images of the Peoples Temple of Rev. Jim Jones, along with the Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church and the Hare Krishnas.

"There has been a disservice by attention-generating or headline-generating cults," says Alan Schwartz, a 33-year-old restaurant owner who is coordinator for the seminary.

"But the Hare Krishnas are no more Buddhists than Bible-carrying Christian fundamentalists are," he adds.

"Buddhism is not a

religion. It's a way of life," says Hayward. "There isn't any external entity, a deity that we worship. There is no system of beliefs. It's training minds and bodies how to live a gentle, full life.

"The closest thing we come to Buddhism in the West is psychoanalysis, being able to

look at oneself non-judgmentally. We're not looking for anything. We're simply being who we are."

The Buddhist seminary is self-sustaining.

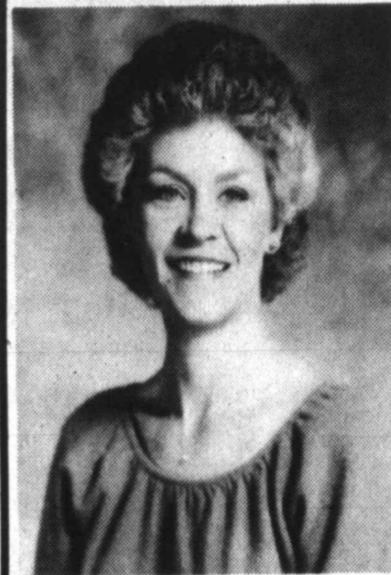
They brought their own cooks to prepare meals, and they use volunteers to serve. They clean their own rooms and other parts of the hotel.

And they have a nursery and eight teachers serving as tutors for children ranging from newborn to 14 years of age.

"It's an ongoing practice for us to take care of our lives properly," says Schwartz, who was raised in a Reformed Jewish household in Philadelphia.

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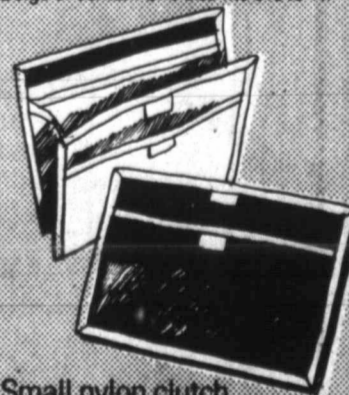
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## Reagan's social issues surfacing

WASHINGTON (AP) — For a year, hardly a peep was heard in the White House about the social issues on which Ronald Reagan campaigned. Now, one after another, they are surfacing. School prayer, tuition tax credits, a balanced budget amendment: They are buzz words finding renewed places in the president's vocabulary. But there are few signs Reagan will be successful if he tries to push any of these issues through quickly. In fact, there are few signs he is even trying to do that, in the view of both Democrats and conservative Republicans. Last month, the president flew to Chicago and told Roman Catholic educators he would support a tax credit

based on private school tuition. Soon, he said, he would make a formal recommendation to Congress. At the time, aides said he first would consult with members of Congress and then send to Capitol Hill proposed legislation. The consultations are still pending, but one White House official, requesting anonymity, said the proposal may be introduced by the end of this month. Congressional observers think there is little chance such a measure will be approved this year. But the White House aide, stressing the president's support for it, insisted "this is a serious proposal, not a sop to the interest groups." Today is the day Reagan declared

"National Day of Prayer" and aides prepared for him a statement in support of a constitutional amendment that would permit voluntary group prayer in public schools. Prayer in public schools was ruled unconstitutional by the Supreme Court in 1962. Ever since then it has been a rallying issue of many conservative movements. The balanced budget amendment, which would require a 60 percent majority in Congress to approve any budget that included deficit spending — except in wartime — has been mentioned by Reagan several times in the past week in public appearances. It barely saw the light of day in 1981.

## 'I didn't want this man dead,' yet

GALLATIN, Mo. (AP) — The mayor of this town where residents have been searching for a kidnapped girl says he's "thrilled" that the abduction suspect has been shot to death, but authorities fear they've lost their chance to find the child. "I think there is very little hope now" that 9-year-old Jennifer Rebecca Barden will be found, said Sheriff Maurice Robison of Caldwell County, Mo. Convicted child-rapist Billy D. Wilson was slain Wednesday in northern Louisiana by a frightened young woman after he entered her house in an apparent burglary attempt. "I didn't want this man dead...until after we found our daughter," said Ronald Nelson of Gallatin, Mo., the girl's stepfather. Wilson, 27, awaiting transfer to the Louisiana State Penitentiary and a life term for raping an 8-year-old girl, broke out of the Washington Parish Jail in Bogalusa, La., last month, with Roy James Hill, 36, a convicted burglar, and traveled to Missouri. Jennifer vanished Saturday

after going to the street in front of her house to retrieve a truck. Police think she got into a parked, stolen pickup with Wilson. The truck was found 100 miles away in Nebraska. The tragedy is nobody will get to ask him where she is, the stepfather said of Wilson. For days, the people of Daviess and Caldwell counties in northwestern Missouri searched for the girl. Two busloads of schoolchildren joined the search Tuesday, a day after a little girl's blouse was found under a bridge. A man believed to have been Wilson got away after a wild, pre-dawn police chase near Bonham, Texas, on Tuesday. Authorities said a truck stolen shortly after the chase was found abandoned in Sulfur Springs, Texas, and a car stolen in that town was found next door to the house in Mira, La., where Wilson died. Kay Clayton, 23, was at home in Mira with her two daughters when a man came to the house about midnight reporting car trouble. Her

husband was at work, so she didn't let him in, Caddo Parish Sheriff Dan Hathaway said. Wilson later returned, removed a window pane and climbed inside, Hathaway said. "The intruder turned on her and sort of made a noise that sounded like a growl and made a threatening move toward her," Hathaway said. "At that point, she closed her eyes and shot. She had that .357 Magnum and it hit him in the mouth...it killed him instantly."

Rockdale, Texas (AP) — A 2-year-old boy playing on railroad tracks near his house was killed when a train struck him as he scrambled to join some playmates. The boy, Terry Barker, was with two neighbor children as a Missouri Pacific freight train approached, said Department of Public Safety official Don Wardlow. He said the train engineer, J.S. Murray, sounded the whistle and hit the brakes. Murray told investigators the three children scattered, two going one way and the Barker boy the other.

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**RANDY'S READY.** Pampa's Randy Slaybaugh, (shown above with his winning toss in the shot during the District 3-5A track meet two weeks ago), is ready to engage the top Region 1-3A athletes for the right to advance to the state meet May 14-15

in Austin. Slaybaugh has been lifting weights the past two weeks to improve his strength for both the shot and discus events in this weekend's regional meet. Slaybaugh also won the discus at the district meet.

(Staff Photo)

## Slaybaugh enters region meet Texas League roundup

Pampa's Randy Slaybaugh has taken full advantage of the two-week lull between the district and regional track meets.

Slaybaugh, who won both the discus and shot put in the District 3-5A meet to qualify for the regionals, has been pumping iron for all he's worth. And he can feel the difference.

"I worked on weights last week and some this week and I feel it's really helped me out," Slaybaugh said. "I feel a lot stronger." Slaybaugh may need all the strength he can muster.

The 180-pound senior will be going against 6-10, 320-pound Carl Chancellor of Odessa Permian, who beat him in the discus during a regional qualifier's meet last weekend in Abilene. Chancellor tossed the discus 161 feet while Slaybaugh was second at 154. Slaybaugh was also second in the shot with a 54-2 throw.

"He'll give me the most trouble," Slaybaugh added. "In the shot, El Paso has a 57-footer and Bryan has a good shot putter. It's going to be a tough meet."

However, Slaybaugh is no stranger to rugged regional competition. He placed second in the discus at the regionals last year to qualify for the state meet. Slaybaugh just

missed making it the regionals as a sophomore by placing third in discus at the district meet.

Cold weather hampered Slaybaugh's performances in the earlier meets, but he seemed hit his stride at the Amarillo Relays April 9-10. He won the shot (52-4 1/2) and placed second in the discus (172-0). Both were seasonal bests for Slaybaugh.

Slaybaugh rarely loses his cool in the ring, which should work in his favor. Especially since the throwing sector at Lubbock is infamously known as a "dead area," making it difficult to get the maximum distance out of a throw.

"It can frustrate the big guys, which should help me out," Slaybaugh said.

Slaybaugh steps into the discus ring Friday, then makes his bid in the shot Saturday morning.

Slaybaugh had talked earlier about breaking Randy Matson's school record in the discus, but now he would just settle on winning the event.

"It would be very tough to break the record, especially at Lubbock," Slaybaugh said. "I'm just not going to think about it. I'm going to concentrate on beating everybody else and not worry about records."

### Texas League roundup

By The Associated Press  
Catcher Mike Anicich went on a hitting spree with a two-run homer, a double and two singles to lead the Jackson Mets to 12-4 Texas League baseball victory over the Tulsa Drillers.

In other Texas League action Wednesday night, Arkansas defeated Shreveport, 7-2, and Amarillo edged El Paso, 5-4. San Antonio's scheduled game at Midland was postponed because of rain.

Anicich's two-run homer came in the second inning, but the Drillers bounced back to tie the score at 3-3 in the third inning on a two-run homer by catcher Donnie Scott.

But the Jackson batters then took over, blasting a total of 19 hits. Every Jackson player who entered the game hit safely. Ted Davis, 4-1, was the winning pitcher. The loser was Al Lachowicz, 3-2.

### CORRECTION

May Flyer - 24 Pages of Spring Specials  
On Page 11, the Heavy Duty Portable Jack stand (10-81) is shown to adjust to five levels, it should read four levels from 12" to 17".  
One Page 15, the illustration of the Sparkomatic Under-Dash Stereo Tape Player (No. 16-9100, 9102) is incorrect. The wrong photograph was used.

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## Pampa edges Liberal

**LIBERAL (Kans.)**—Charles Wuest hit two homers and knocked in three runs as Pampa edged Liberal, Kans., 3-2, Tuesday in the second game of a non-district twinbill.

Winning pitcher was Brad Knutson, who yielded six hits while striking out seven in six innings. Devin Cross picked up the save.

Liberal blanked the Harvesters, 10-0, in the opener. Pampa, now 2-18, hosts Tascosa at 4 p.m. today in a District 3-5A contest.

Tascosa upped its league record to 8-2 and 17-8 overall Tuesday with a 7-3 win over Caprock. The Rebels trail league-leading Amarillo High by one and a half games.

Amarillo High all but clinched the district title with a 15-6 win Tuesday over Caprock. The Sandies are 9-0 in district standings and 17-6 overall.

Today's game with Tascosa will be the season's home finale for the Harvesters, who are 0-8 in district play.

## Jennings enters state golf meet

Wheeler junior Mona Jennings makes her bid for a Class 2A state golf title today against seven other finalists.

Miss Jennings will be going against Paula Weddle of Paducah, Shelley Bitner, Lisa Taylor of Hamilton, Margaret Rice and Cindy Haley, both of Bullard; Janet Robbins of Three Rivers and Sharon Swenson.

Miss Jennings finished second to the regional tournament to qualify for state. Last year she placed fourth in the Class 2A regionals and was third as a freshman in the Class B regionals.

The finals are scheduled for Friday at Austin's Lions Municipal Course.

## Miami teams enter region, state meets

Miami's 1600-meter relay team competes in the Class A girls' state track meet this weekend in Austin.

Relay members include Lora Gill, Kara Stone, Kasandra Bailey and Lisa Hinton. They will be competing against relay teams from Ben Bolt, Falls City, Goldwithe, Miles, Carlisle, Anna and Sudan.

At the same time, Miami boys will be competing in the regional meet in Levelland.

Miami's main threat is all-anything Keith Gray, who is entered in 100, 200, high jump and long jump. Gray's 21-10 1/4 leap won the long jump in the District 1-1A meet. He was second in the high jump, 100 and 200 and was a member of the winning 400-meter relay teams. Lewis Lisenby, Mark Higginbotham and Richard Bean were the other relay team members.

Miami's 1600-meter relay team, consisting of Higginbotham, Bean, Lisenby and Brian Covey, also won first place.

Other district winners were Aaron Mercer, shot put (45-5 3/4) and Carl Adams, high jump (6-2). Bean also qualified in the 400.



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GOING FOR THE STEAL, Gus Williams (right) of the Seattle SuperSonics tries to get around Mike Bratz of the San Antonio Spurs to grab the ball after knocking it away during their NBA playoff game in the Kingdome Wednesday night. San Antonio won, 109-103, to take the best-of-seven series, 4-1. (AP Laserphoto)

# Celtics, Spurs advance

By WILLIAM R. BARNARD  
AP Sports Writer

The Boston Celtics have learned that beating a team six straight times in the regular season doesn't mean much once the playoffs start.

"We learned that the playoffs are a totally different story," said center Robert Parish, who scored 33 points, including a three-point play in the second overtime, as the Celtics advanced to the National Basketball Association semifinals with a 131-126 victory over the Washington Bullets Wednesday night.

"We beat them fairly easily in the regular season," added Parish, "but they played like one of the best teams in the league in the playoffs."

Boston, which won the best-of-7 series 4-1, will meet the Philadelphia-Milwaukee series winner in the Eastern Conference final. The 76ers lead 3-2 despite losing 110-98 to the Bucks Wednesday.

In the West, San Antonio beat Seattle 109-103 to win their series 4-1 and send the Spurs into the conference final against the Los Angeles Lakers starting Sunday in Los Angeles.

The Bullets made a brilliant second-half comeback, erasing an 18-point deficit and scoring 16 of the last 19 points in regulation to send the game into overtime with the score tied at 106.

"They played great," said Celtics forward Kevin McHale, whose two baskets helped the Celtics overcome a 117-112 deficit with 1:06 left in the first overtime. "We played a hair better."

The 6-foot-11 McHale made a midcourt steal and breakout layup in the final minute to cut the deficit to 117-116. Then, with Washington ahead 119-117, Larry Bird tied up Frank Johnson as the Bullets tried to run out the clock with only nine seconds to play, forcing a jump ball.

Bird, who scored 26 points along with Cedric Maxwell, won the tap. Nate Archibald missed a shot, but McHale tipped in the rebound with only one second left.

"I've got to take my hat off to Kevin McHale," said Bird. "He made the big steal and got the hoop at the end of the first overtime."

"We had the game under control in the first overtime," said Washington Coach Gene Shue. "I thought we were going to win it, but we made a couple of careless mistakes. We forced them into some bad shots but we didn't rebound their misses."

Of the inbounds pass that led to Bird tying up Johnson, a guard, Shue said, "We passed it to the wrong player. It should have gone to one of our bigger players. It gave them the opportunity to win the jump ball."

Washington went ahead 126-125 in the second overtime on a free throw by Johnson with 1:37 left, but the Bullets didn't score again, while Boston got the last six points, three of them by Parish with 47 seconds to go.

Jeff Ruland ended his rookie season with a career-high 33 points for Washington, while Johnson had 22 and Spencer Haywood 21.

**Spurs 109, Sonics 103**  
George Gervin scored 26 points and Mike Mitchell 24 as San Antonio closed out its series with Seattle.

The Spurs, who won only their second series in seven tries since coming into the NBA, took an 83-76 lead into the fourth quarter and never let the Sonics get closer than three points — at 91-88, 93-90 and 106-103.

"I felt that if we could stay on top of them and not let them get the lead in the fourth quarter, we could execute well enough to get some scores," said Spurs Coach Stan Albeck. "And that's what happened."

The Sonics, who were led by Gus Williams with 36 points, closed the gap to 106-103 on a three-point play by Williams with 7:23 to go. But the Spurs ran the 24-second clock down to the last tick before Mark Olberding hit a jumper for a 108-103 lead with 59 seconds left.

**Bucks 110, 76ers 98**  
Milwaukee stayed alive in its series with Philadelphia as veteran center Bob Lanier scored 27 points and Brian Winters added 23.

Lanier, a 12-year veteran playing on gimpy knees, called the game "one of the greatest victories of my career. I just went out and played as hard as I could and tried not to think about physical problems."

The Bucks scored 12 straight points in the fourth quarter to boost an 89-87 lead to 101-87 with 4:45 to go. Winters started the rally when he stole the ball from Julius Erving and drove for a basket with 7:48 to play.

# Major League standings

By The Associated Press		NATIONAL LEAGUE		Eastern Division		Western Division		
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St. Louis	18	9	.687	—	Los Angeles	12	13	.481
Montreal	12	13	.481	6	San Diego	12	13	.481
New York	12	13	.481	6	Houston	12	13	.481
Pittsburgh	10	13	.435	8	Cincinnati	11	14	.440
Philadelphia	9	14	.389	9	San Francisco	11	14	.440
Chicago	8	18	.308	12				

## Al roundup Chicago downs Toronto

By KEN RAPPAPORT  
AP Sports Writer

It started out as a bad night for Harold Baines. Then it turned into a good one with one swing of his bat.

The Chicago White Sox right fielder misplayed a fly ball in the third inning Wednesday night that allowed the Toronto Blue Jays to take a 1-0 lead.

But he made up for the mistake in the seventh with a game-winning, two-run homer that led the White Sox to a 4-1 victory.

His game-winning homer came off Luis Leal, 2-2.

Baines' shot was followed by successive homers by Jim Morrison and Bill Almon and marked the first time the White Sox had hit three homers in an inning since July 14, 1979.

Steve Trout, 2-2, was the winner, giving up seven hits in eight innings before needing Dennis Lamp's relief help.

In other American League games, the Minnesota Twins edged the Boston Red Sox 3-2; the Detroit Tigers stopped the Texas Rangers 6-4 and the Kansas City Royals defeated the Milwaukee Brewers 3-2 in 10 innings.

**Twins 3, Red Sox 2**  
Gary Gaetti belted a two-run homer in the fourth inning to power Minnesota over Boston and snap the Red Sox's five-game winning streak.

Boger Erickson, 4-2, checked the Red Sox on two runs before needing relief help from Doug Corbett in the seventh. Corbett worked out of a bases-loaded jam and then earned his third save while helping to hand the Red Sox only their second loss in the last 15 games.

Gaetti's smash into the left field screen at Fenway Park was the first homer surrendered by Boston veteran Mike Torrez, 2-2, in five starts.

**Tigers 6, Rangers 4**  
Larry Herndon's single scored Kirk Gibson with the go-ahead run as Detroit rallied for three runs in the eighth inning to beat Texas and extend the Rangers' losing streak to 11 games.

Enos Cabell started the Tigers eighth with a one-out double, took third on Gibson's single and scored on Jerry Turner's single to tie the game 4-4. Gibson moved to third on Turner's single and scored the go-ahead run on Herndon's base hit.

Texas left fielder Billy Sample let Herndon's hit get by him for an error, allowing Turner to come home with the Tigers' final run.

Elias Sosa, 1-1, who relieved Detroit starter Milt Wilcox in the seventh inning, was the winner. Steve Comer, 0-2, took the loss.

**Royals 3, Brewers 2**  
Onix Concepcion's bloop double with two out in the 10th inning scored Jamie Quirk from first base, leading Kansas City over Milwaukee.

Quirk, who had three singles and a double, drew a one-out walk in the 10th off loser Rollie Fingers.

## NL roundup Cardinals win fourth in a row

By WILLIAM R. BARNARD  
AP Sports Writer

Bruce Sutter, who is setting a record pace for saves in one season, says the St. Louis Cardinals can be more successful this year if he's not the only man they depend on in the bullpen.

"I've been saying all along that you can't win with one man in the bullpen," Sutter said Wednesday after he picked up his 10th save as St. Louis beat the Chicago Cubs 7-6. "You've got to have at least two. The ideal situation would be three or four."

Sutter struck out two and gave up no hits in the ninth inning to help the Cardinals win their fourth straight victory and hand the Cubs their fourth consecutive defeat. If he keeps collecting saves as he has in St. Louis' first 27 games, Sutter would have 60 for the season, 22 more than John Hiller's major-league record set in 1973.

He saved Wednesday's victory for fellow reliever Doug Bair, who is now 3-0 with a 0.61 earned run average.

Sutter's ERA is 1.54, with the 10 saves coming in 13 appearances. He also has 18 strikeouts compared to one walk for the season.

In other National League games, Houston edged Cincinnati 8-7 and Pittsburgh defeated Atlanta 4-2.

George Hendrick hit two homers, including a solo blast in the seventh inning that broke the 6-6 tie, to lead the Cardinals' 14-hit attack.

Hendrick also hit a solo homer in the second and added an RBI single in the third for a 3-0 Cardinal lead.

The Cubs tied the score with three runs in the fourth on run-scoring singles by Buckner and Durham and a wild pitch by St. Louis starter Andy Rincon.

The Cardinals went ahead 5-3 on RBI hits by Rincon and Smith in the bottom of the fourth before the Cubs took a 6-5 lead in the fifth on Bump Wills' RBI grounder and run-scoring singles by Kennedy and Buckner.

Dane Iorg's run-producing single for St. Louis tied the game again in the bottom of the fifth.

**Astros 8, Reds 7**  
Terry Puhl and Phil Garner knocked in three runs apiece to pace Houston over Cincinnati.

Garner, who slugged a solo homer in the fourth inning, hit a run-scoring grounder to start the Astros' four-run sixth that snapped a 3-3 tie. Then Don Sutton singled for another run and Puhl got his third single of the day, sending home two more.

Sutton, 4-1, got credit for the victory although he was forced to leave the game after the fifth inning with a jammed left toe.

The Reds had four sacrifice flies in the game, tying a major league record.



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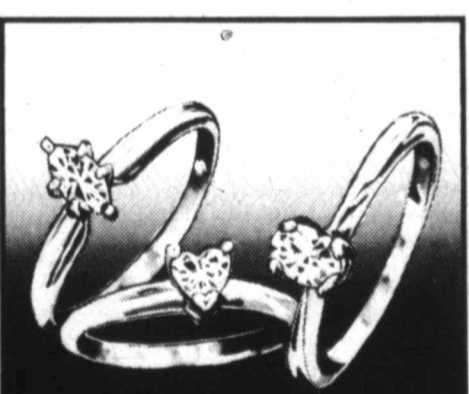
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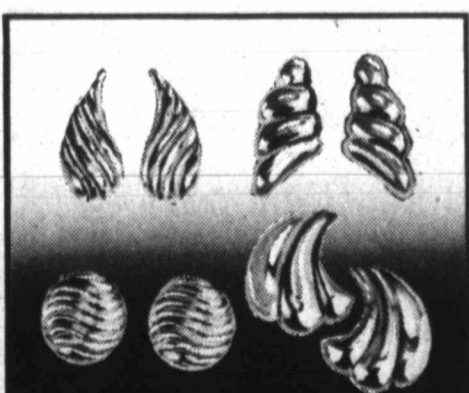


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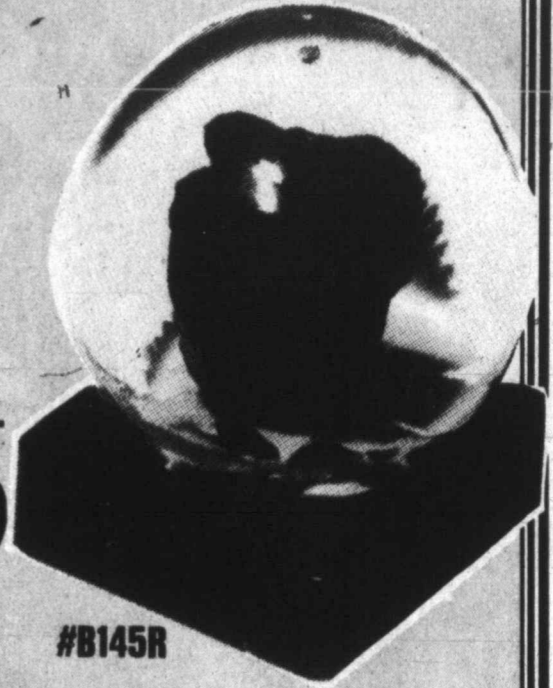
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# Fight for citizenship by Juan Ramirez

**By GORDON HANSON**  
Associated Press Writer  
BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — When missionaries found Juan Ramirez in the Ecuadorian jungle, he was wracked by convulsions, near death, his paralyzed body wasted by parasites. He was unwanted, scorned by his family, an outcast because of his deformities.

Today, eight years later, Ramirez is educated, articulate and healthy and still fighting. He wants to remain in the United States, but the U.S. Immigration Service says only a special bill in Congress will allow him to stay.

The bill was approved by the Senate Oct. 27, but a House subcommittee on immigration said in February that Ramirez must first exhaust "administrative remedies" that might grant permanent residence.

When Ramirez was found by missionaries in Ecuador in

1974, they said his left foot was twisted nearly upside down, caused by polio when he was 3. His right foot protruded at a 90-degree angle.

"He was suffering from malnutrition, four or five kinds of worms and amoebas, and a low hemoglobin count which brought on the convulsions," said Dr. Devota Nowland, an Armada, Mich., osteopath who helped bring Ramirez to America.

"He was treated as an outcast by people outside of his family and would have suffered a great deal or died had he not been brought to the United States," she said.

Ramirez is now 22 or 23 — he doesn't know when he was born. He was one of seven illegitimate children, Miss Nowland said in an interview. One of his mother's suitors "killed Juan's sister in a drunken fit," she added.

Ramirez now denies this, or that his mother sold him,

"but he doesn't want to remember," Miss Nowland said. Missionaries and others told her Ramirez was sold to a woman who ran a small cafe in Chaco, she said.

Ramirez said he peeled vegetables for "one or two meals a day" and slept on a straw pallet. At age 15, he weighed 60 pounds.

If he returns to Ecuador, Ramirez believes he would still be an outcast.

"I used to have problems...they would push me down," Ramirez said softly. "They thought of me as a dog."

His brothers and sisters were "undecided if they accepted my handicap. They didn't know if they liked me or not."

Voice shaking, he said of his mother: "I was her son, and even though I couldn't help her, I think she still loved me."

He doesn't know where his family is. "They're sort of moving around. They go where my mother can find work, field work, milking cows," for perhaps 50 cents a day.

Juan had corrective surgery at 15 in a missionary hospital in Quito.

His hips and legs remain shriveled, but he gets around slowly with leg braces and crutch.

Miss Nowland, on vacation in Quito, brought Ramirez to Michigan. She tried to adopt him, but Ecuadorian law prohibits a single female from adopting a male. She sought help.

Through a Fargo, N.D., adoption agency, Ramirez found his way to a farm owned by Vic and Olga Karges near Hazen, N.D. They too tried to adopt Ramirez but he was then past 16 and too old, the

Immigration Service said.

Miss Nowland had started the process of trying to extend his temporary visitor visa. The Karges now lead that effort.

Ramirez started school in Hazen. Three years later he went to the Anne Carlsen School for the Physically Handicapped in Jamestown, N.D.

He graduates June 6 and wants to study electronics in a vocational school.

But he can't apply for citizenship because he has no blood relatives here, no job skill, isn't a refugee and isn't "a professional of distinguished merit or ability," said Gerald Coyle, the Immigration Service's district director in St. Paul, Minn.

The alternative is to reopen the deportation hearings, said Betty Hum, the Kargeses' lawyer.



**WANTS TO STAY.** Juan Ramirez, about 22, was found by missionaries in Ecuador in 1974 suffering from partial paralysis and convulsions. Now ready to graduate from a school for physically handicapped.

Ramirez is fighting deportation to his homeland where friends say he would wither and die. A private bill to keep him in the United States is stalled in Congress. (AP Laserphoto)

## Army tracing origin of abandoned shell

CUERO, Texas (AP) — Army weapons experts today were to continue trying to trace the origin of a live 81mm artillery shell that a construction crew scooped up from the muddy bottom of the Guadalupe River.

A Texas Highway Department bridge construction crew halted work when a crane operator dredged the 21-inch-long shell from the river Tuesday morning.

The surprised workman was dredging in the river when "he picked it up with a scoop and washed the mud off," DPS trooper David McEathron said. "He realized what he had and laid it back down."

DeWitt County sheriff's officers said the shell could have been stolen from an Army base. It was turned over to the U.S. Army Depot in Corpus Christi.

"They told us it was a live round. It looked live to me," he said. "The only thing we can think of is that it was stolen and dumped off into the river there."

The Vietnam war-era shell was produced in 1971 and bore lot numbers on its side. Members of an ordnance team searched the bridge area with metal detectors, but found no other shells.

The ordnance team used metal detectors to look for other shells at the worksite two miles outside of Cuero on the Old San Antonio Highway.

A sheriff's dispatcher said the highway crew stopped work on a new bridge after the shell was found.

McEathron said another old highway bridge and a railroad bridge over the Guadalupe River had been knocked down by a flood in the area where the projectile was found, and a lot of scrap metal had been thrown off the road.

He said the shell may have been stolen from an armory. "They're always having armories broken into all over the United States. They could have been just getting rid of some evidence," he said.

McEathron said officials of the Texas National Guard Armory in Cuero were notified, and also were attempting to check out the lot numbers on the abandoned shell.

## Oil field equipment firm says payoff charges studied

HOUSTON (AP) — An oil field equipment company has been investigated by the Justice Department since 1979 in connection with allegations that it made large payoffs to Mexico's national oil monopoly, company officials confirm.

Crawford Enterprises Inc. has been accused of violating the 1977 Foreign Corrupt Practices Act prohibiting companies doing business in other countries from committing bribery. Vice President Ron Kinzey said Tuesday in a statement released by the company's law firm in Washington, D.C.

The Washington Post reported Tuesday that federal investigators are looking into allegations that U.S. oil field equipment companies paid officials of Pemex, Mexico's government-owned petroleum company, to obtain contracts.

The allegations against Crawford, a Houston-based firm which specializes in gas compression, oil and gas production and transmission equipment, are being considered by a federal grand jury in Washington, D.C.

"Despite vigorous and repeated denials of any wrongdoing, the (Justice Department) investigation has continued now for nearly 3½ years," the statement said.

"As a result, Pemex has curtailed purchases from CEI and its American subcontractors and competitors and has begun to shift its immense purchasing

power away from the United States," the statement said.

The statement also said the firm "is informed that Pemex has been completely satisfied with CEI's performance of its contract to date." It added that contracts have been the subject of "careful review within Pemex to ensure the integrity of the procurement process."

This review found no contract was awarded to Crawford Enterprises unless it was "the lowest qualified bidder that could deliver compressors on a schedule and in a manner responsive to Pemex's requirement," the statement said.

The investigation was mentioned in litigation revolving around a lawsuit filed in Houston in June 1981 against Crawford and its subsidiaries by Grupo Industrial, S.A., a Mexican firm which acted as Crawford's agents in dealings with Pemex.

The suit claimed Crawford owes \$25.3 million in brokers' fee, indicating sales to Pemex between 1978 and 1980 could

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In the suit, Grupo attorneys alleged a breach of contract by Crawford Enterprises and three subsidiaries.

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# Border patrol walks El Paso beat

By STEVE BREWER  
Associated Press Writer

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The U.S. Border Patrol is now walking the beat in downtown El Paso with members of the local police department, and authorities said the double-teamed patrols are having a chilling effect on crime.

"For March, as compared to March 1981, we had a 32 percent reduction in reported crimes in the downtown area (during daylight hours)," said acting Border Patrol Chief Dale Cozart. "We don't claim credit for all of that, but we think the foot patrols have been a big factor."

For the first 10 weeks of the joint foot patrol operation there have been 299 misdemeanor arrests and 24 felony arrests, said Capt. Bill Long of El Paso Police Department. The Border Patrol footmen also apprehended 2,931 illegal aliens during that period, he said.

The patrols are unique because they team one Border Patrol officer with one local policeman. Border officers usually patrol by car or helicopter, officials say.

"Of course, the El Paso sector itself is unique..." Cozart said. "It's the only place along the border that has such a large population and large residential and business areas right on the border."

El Paso, with a population of more than 400,000 people, is separated from Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, by the Rio Grande. Juarez boasts nearly 1 million residents and the cities are so interrelated that Cozart refers to them as an "international metropolis."

The downtown areas of the two cities, pressed against the river, are directly across from one another, making it easy for illegal aliens to cross from one to another simply by wading or walking across on stones.

Cozart said many of the crimes in the downtown area, the section of the city with the highest crime rate, are committed by illegal aliens who can easily escape across the border.

"Foot patrol arrests way more than car patrols," Long said. "With seven officers on the street, we're arresting 9 to 10 people a day. And that's not counting the Border Patrol guy who might be picking up illegal aliens."

Cozart said the seven border patrolmen on the beat apprehended more than 2,200 illegal aliens since the program began in early February.

Although the combined program has been under way for less than three months, foot patrols downtown are not new, Long said.

In the 1970s, the police department, using federal grants, kept as many as 30 officers on downtown beats. But the money eventually ran out and the city couldn't afford to keep them going.

"Immediately after we did away with it, we had a different type of crime in the downtown area," Long said. "We started having aggravated robberies in downtown businesses —

robberies at gunpoint. In downtown during the day, we usually didn't have that type of crime."

The Downtown Merchants Association demanded that foot patrols be resumed.

Last November, the merchants convinced the city council to have the patrols during the December holiday season when business — and traffic across the border — is at its peak.

"After we started the foot patrol again, the robbery problem stopped," Long said.

But the overall problem remained — there was not enough manpower to keep the foot patrols going. Then Long decided to rotate his tactical units so that each of the three seven-man squads spend a month on foot in the square-mile downtown area. Those patrolmen were joined by the Border Patrol officers and the new patrols were born in February.

Downtown is divided into seven sections, which means a lot of territory for each two-man team, said Border Patrol officer Jim Duff, a former policeman who volunteered for the duty.

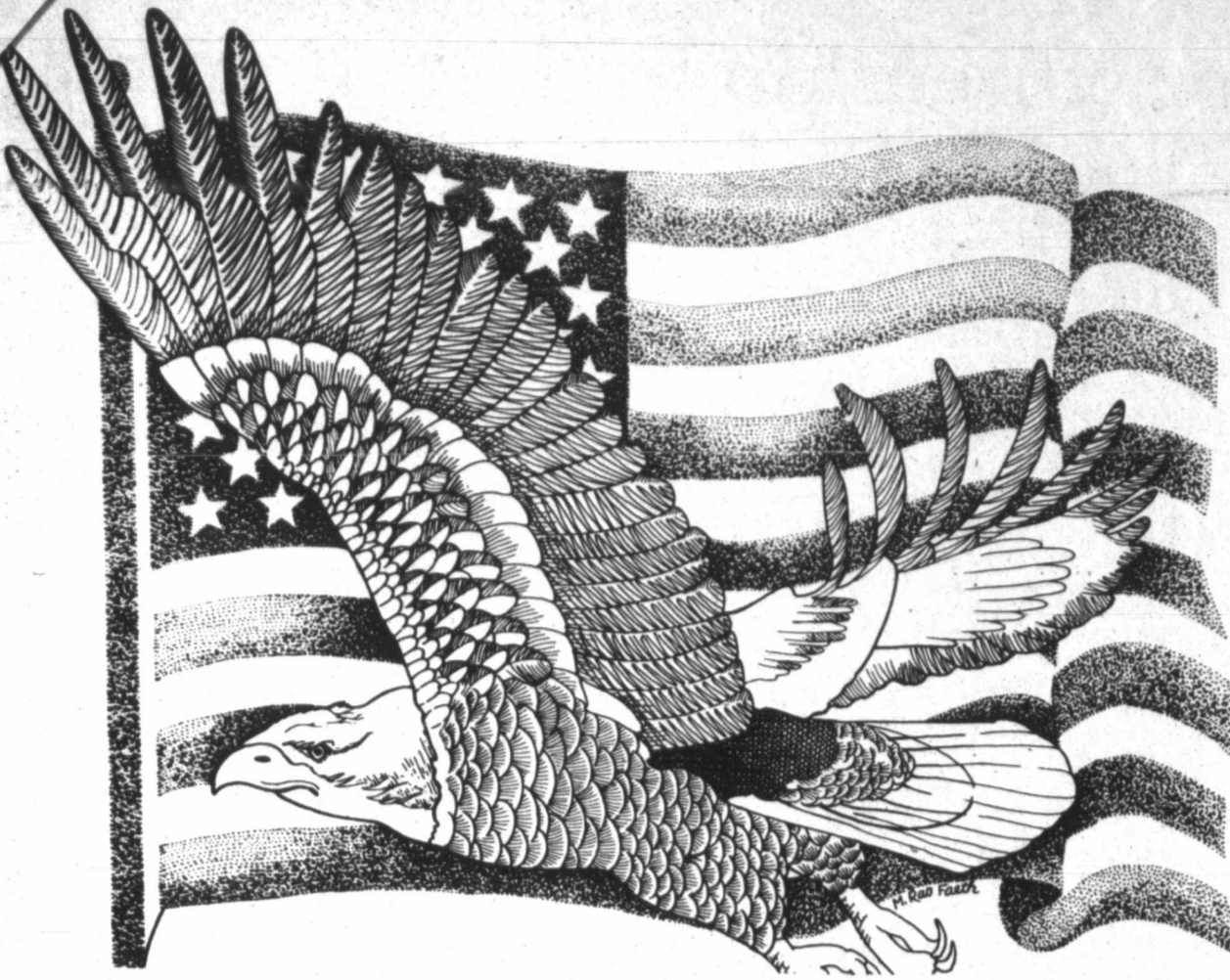
"We figured it out once and we average about eight or nine miles a day," Duff said.

"We get a lot of public intoxication arrests, a lot of arrests for minor drug possession," Long said. "They also pick up quite a few wanted people, people who are wanted for crimes in other jurisdictions."

The worst crime, a stabbing incident, occurred early last month. Long said the patrol spotted a fight on a downtown street and rushed to break it up.

"It turned out that one guy was stabbing the other," he said. "They actually witnessed an attempted murder. The guy had already been stabbed a couple of times. They literally saved his life."

"The foot patrol is a funny phenomenon," he said. "You might not call in a report on a broken window if you know all you'll get is an officer in a car who will drive up, take the report and drive off into the sunset. But if you see this officer walking past your business every day, you might report it to him."



## 'Dignity, elevation, repose are his'

By JOE WING  
Associated Press Writer

This is the year of the American eagle. Two centuries ago, on June 20, 1782, America's Continental Congress adopted the great white-headed bird as a national symbol. President Reagan has signed a joint congressional resolution to make official the eagle year designation by the National Wildlife Federation and thus help along the celebration.

The peak of the celebration will be June 20, designated as American Eagle Day.

There is something to celebrate — if you like eagles. Although the big, "bald" bird is still listed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as endangered in 43 of the lower 48 states and threatened in the other five, indications are that it is coming back, slowly.

Another check on its progress has been made by some 4,000 observers during

the Wildlife Federation's third annual census, the most complete mid-winter count available. In 1981 there was a 5 percent increase to 13,709, including an estimated 9,500 migrants which had flown in to avoid the worst weather in Canada and Alaska. This is two or three times the number tallied in other more limited censuses by the Wildlife Service and others.

The National Audubon Society's scientific director, Dick Plunkett, believes the breeding population is holding its own in Florida and increasing somewhat in the Great Lakes region and other northern states. For instance, two dozen nests were spotted last season in Maine, where only three or four were found a decade ago.

It was partly a matter of luck that the eagle's image now appears on the Great Seal of the United States, on dollar bills, uniform buttons, flag staffs, stamps, door

knockers and what-have-you. Congress OKed an eagle design dictated by its secretary, Charles Thomson, after rejecting the recommendations of three committees and several artists during a period of six years. The eagle won out over mythological and other contenders including the wild turkey, favored by Ben Franklin.

Like him or not — and many ranchers say he preys habitually on lambs despite other opinion to the contrary — there is something about an eagle that has fascinated mankind since earliest times.

Images of various kinds of eagles were carried to war by Persian and Roman troops. Eagles figured in Greek mythology, appeared in heraldry and on the arms of Napoleonic France and imperial Russia. The use of eagles in hunting was reserved for kings.

Back when the American

bird was still relatively common from coast to coast, although it was already on the decline, the poet-naturalist John Burroughs wrote:

"He draws great lines across the sky. Dignity, elevation, repose are his. I would have my thoughts take as wide a sweep."

A Greek proverb had it that "the old age of an eagle is better than the youth of a sparrow."

## Congress eyes 'revenue enhancement'

By Robert J. Wagman

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Clearly the most contentious item on the congressional calendar is the fiscal 1983 budget.

One recent incident showed the disorganization of both parties on this issue.

A number of freshman Republicans loudly criticized House Budget Chairman Jim Jones, D-Okla., for what they claimed was Democratic foot-dragging on President Reagan's proposed 1983 budget.

Jones was more than a little annoyed at the criticism. So, he offered a quick answer: If the Republicans thought he was stalling, he would immediately report the president's budget — exactly as submitted — out of his committee and bring it to the House floor for a vote.

The next sound that was heard was the thundering of footsteps as House Republican leaders beat a path to Jones's door to apologize for the comments of their brethren.

The truth of the matter is that the last thing either party wants right now is a confrontation over the budget. Neither side is anywhere near ready for that battle.

GOP congressional leaders have been unable to budge Reagan on two main elements of the budget: defense spending and revenue. The White House says that Congress is more than welcome to reduce the projected deficit of \$100 billion or so — but not by cutting defense spending or raising taxes.

Even some of the staunchest Republicans in Capitol Hill find this position untenable. In principal, they agree that defense spending must be increased substantially. But they feel that the deficit is unacceptably large and that cutting domestic programs any further would amount to political suicide in an election year.

To these Republicans, the only short-term solution seems to lie in raising revenues either by postponing or reducing the tax cuts voted last year or by imposing new taxes or tax increases elsewhere.

Since many of them are reluctant to roll back last year's tax cuts, they are looking for other ways to increase revenues. The Senate Finance Committee, under the leadership of Kansas Republican Robert Dole, has come up

with what it calls a "menu" of possible revenue-raising measures. Among them are: — Increasing the federal gasoline tax, possibly by as much as 5 cents a gallon.

— Eliminating some income-tax deductions. Among these might be deductions for state and local taxes as well as for interest paid on consumer credit (including interest on credit-card purchases but excluding interest on home mortgages and car purchases). Medical expenses could be deducted only after they reached 10 percent of income rather than the current 3 percent.

— Imposing an import fee on crude oil of perhaps \$2 a barrel.

— Eliminating a whole range of corporate tax deduction and increasing certain business taxes (such as unemployment compensation taxes).

Dole is quick to say that these are mere suggestions of where additional income could be raised. Neither he

nor the Senate's Republican leadership is ready to take a position on any particular item.

However, Dole has made clear his belief that additional revenues will have to be found somewhere.

This view is rapidly becoming the consensus of Republicans and Democrats alike in Capitol Hill. Majorities in both parties now seem to agree that additional revenues must be raised for fiscal 1983. But no two legislators agree on exactly where those revenues should be found.

All do share the opinion that the budget debate will be long and acrimonious. They say that it will most likely become a three-sided battle among congressional Democrats, congressional Republicans and the administration.

The legislators also agree that the so-called "revenue enhancement measures" — that is, tax increases or new taxes — will play a pivotal role in the coming debate.

And they agree that time is running out. (NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

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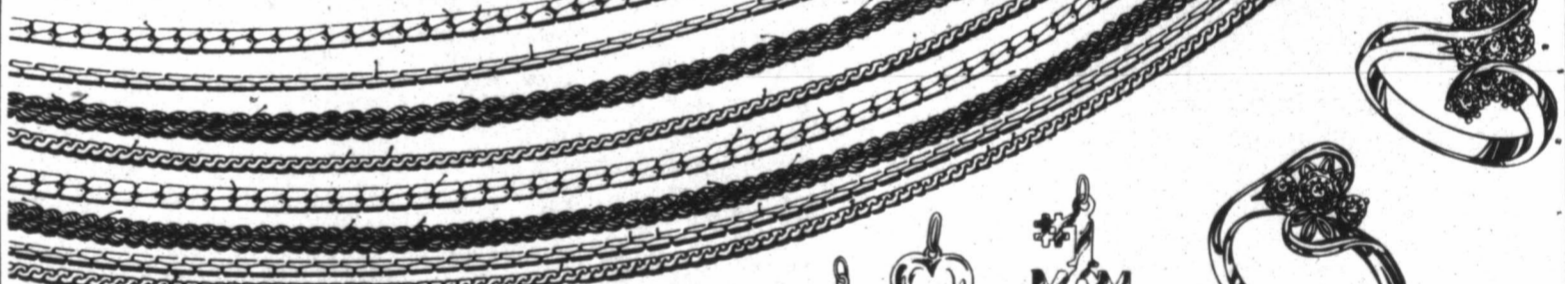
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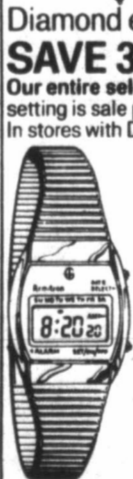
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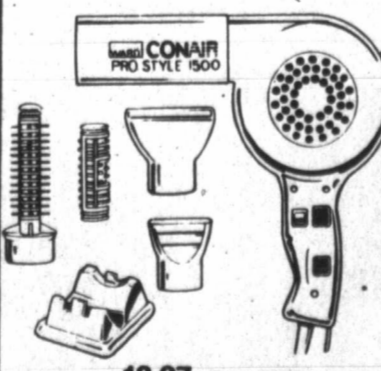
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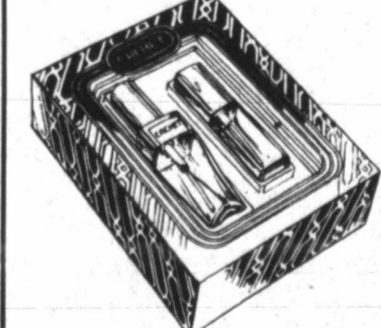
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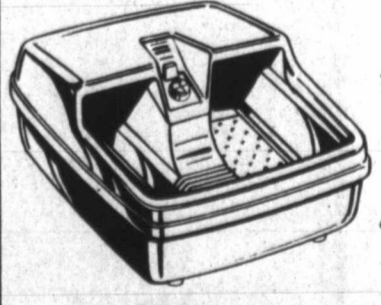
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As widows' benefits go on, some ask:

# Was President Abraham Lincoln too generous?

By Tom Tiede

SUMPTER, S.C. (NEA) — One of the things Abraham Lincoln did to mend the wounds of the Civil War was to ask Congress to give financial assistance to the families involved in the fighting. He said aid was needed "to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and orphan."

The request was quickly granted.

And 115 years later it's still being honored.

Meet Daisy Cave. She's a lovely lady of 92 or 94 springs, depending on who's

doing the guessing, and she is the last Civil War widow in South Carolina. Well, check that. Down here they do not say Civil War. They say the misunderstanding of 1861-65 was the War Between the States.

In any event, Mrs. Cave is the last local widow of it. Her long-dead husband was a rebel soldier. As a result, and in accordance with President Lincoln's moving benevolence, she receives \$100 a month from the United States Treasury for events that took place more than a century ago.

And that's not all. The Veterans Administration

says there are almost 50 other widows of the war who likewise continue to receive compensations. Exact figures are risky, for the ranks of the women are regularly reduced by death, but the VA thinks there are 31 Union and 16 Confederate widows left.

And that's not all. In addition, there are about 115 Civil War orphans who are receiving federal help. The VA says children of Civil War veterans who are not able to take care of themselves qualify for as much as \$100 a month. The breakdown on Union vs. Confederate kids is not available. And even that's not all.

The United States is also giving aid to the widows and children of two other conflicts of last century. The VA says almost 40 dependents of the Indian Wars are receiving welfare or pensions, and, gulp, so are more than 11,500 dependents of the Spanish-American War.

That's all. Except to say that in times of mounting budget difficulties there are people who wonder if Lincoln was too generous. The VA will spend \$24 billion on its programs this fiscal year, and the critics think it's extravagant to give part of it to ladies such as Daisy Cave.

One of the critics is Sid Taylor. He is the research director for the National Taxpayers Union (in Washington). He does not object to helping veterans and their dependents, but he thinks lines should be drawn: "Old soldiers may never die," he explains, "but do entitlements have to live forever, too?"

For one thing, Taylor points out that the entitlements given the dependents of last century's wars were carte blanche. A soldier did not have to die in action to pass on federal benefits; he could live for years after the fighting and his widow or

orphan would still collect. And that led to some stretching of the original government intent. Daisy Cave is an example. She did marry a veteran of the Civil War, one Henry Benjamin Cave, and she eventually became his legal widow, but she has never been the kind of dependent that Lincoln sought to help.

To be more specific, Mrs. Cave was not even alive during the War Between the States (she was born in 1887 or 1889), and she did not meet her Confederate husband until 50 years after the nasty thing ended. She was 29 or 31 at the time of her

wedding, in 1918, and the groom was 77. Taylor says these kinds of matings were often marriages of convenience. He says Mrs. Cave may very well have married her soldier for all of the best reasons, but some other women of the time did not; some of the couplings took place so the women could one day receive widow's benefits.

That's why the dependent entitlements have continued for so long. And that's why Taylor says it's an expensive excess. Over the years, he says, the cost of supporting the dependents of the Spanish-American War

(1898) has been somewhat greater than the cost of the war itself.

This isn't to say the money has all been wasted, necessarily. Even Taylor says that VA entitlements

are generally part of the legitimate expense of running the government and maintaining morale in the military. Dependents often suffer as much as soldiers during war and should not be ignored.

Besides, most of the aging dependents of last century's wars are in genuine need of public assistance of some sort.



DAISY CAVE was not even alive during the War Between the States, and didn't meet her Confederate husband until 50 years after it ended. Yet she still receives \$100 a month from the United States Treasury for events that took place more than a century ago.

By Robert J. Wagman

WASHINGTON (NEA) — The Republican dream of making significant midterm gains in the House of Representatives no longer appears to have much basis in reality.

The latest evidence is contained in a Gallup Poll that indicates that the Republicans will face large losses rather than gains in this fall's elections.

The poll asked registered voters whether they would choose the Democratic or the Republican candidate if the House elections were held today.

Nationally, 57 percent said that they would vote for the Democrat, while only 43 percent said that they would back the Republican.

More ominous for GOP hopes is the clear shift over the past six months in the public perception of how the Reagan administration is doing. Only 31 percent of those

## GOP could lose 50 seats in the house

questioned in this poll said that their family's financial situation had improved because of the administration's economic program, while 44 percent said that they were worse off personally because of Reaganomics.

The responses to two other questions provided even worse news for the Republicans.

Six months ago a majority of registered voters said that the Republicans would do a better job of keeping the nation prosperous and at peace than would the Democrats. In the latest poll, a substantial majority said that the Democrats would do better in both categories.

In only one out of eight policy areas did the respon-

dents think that the Republicans could do as well as the Democrats. That was in controlling inflation, and even there the respondents were evenly divided.

The Democrats currently have a 51-seat majority in the House. Gallup analysts are convinced by their latest polling that the Democratic majority could grow to about 100 seats barring a major shift in public opinion before Election Day.

The poll results and the experts' predictions of GOP defeats could easily evolve into a self-fulfilling prophecy.

The Republican strategy for Campaign '82 was to find the strongest possible candidates in every congressional district and to pro-

vide all of them with massive amounts of campaign money while denying funds to the Democrats. But this is simply not happening.

Many of the best potential GOP candidates are reading the polls and deciding not to give up their safer state or local offices in order to run for Congress.

In the past few weeks, state and local Republican office-holders in Illinois, Texas, North Carolina, California and Iowa have declined to challenge Democratic incumbents.

It now looks as if the Republicans will be forced to run inexperienced candidates in many congressional districts — and therefore to all but concede re-election to many Democratic incumbents.

Corporate political action

committees — which have become a leading source of campaign funds for House races — have for some years espoused conservative views but nonetheless hedged their bets by contributing million of dollars to Democratic incumbents.

### Space walks to be resumed

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Two mission specialists assigned to the November space shuttle mission may be the first astronauts to walk in space in nearly a decade, the space agency says.

Astronauts Joseph P. Allen and William B. Lenoir are scheduled to blast off on the Columbia's fifth flight.

If the "space walks" are approved, Allen and Lenoir would work in the payload bay for about six hours, tethered to one of the shuttle's walls, the Johnson Space Center said Tuesday.

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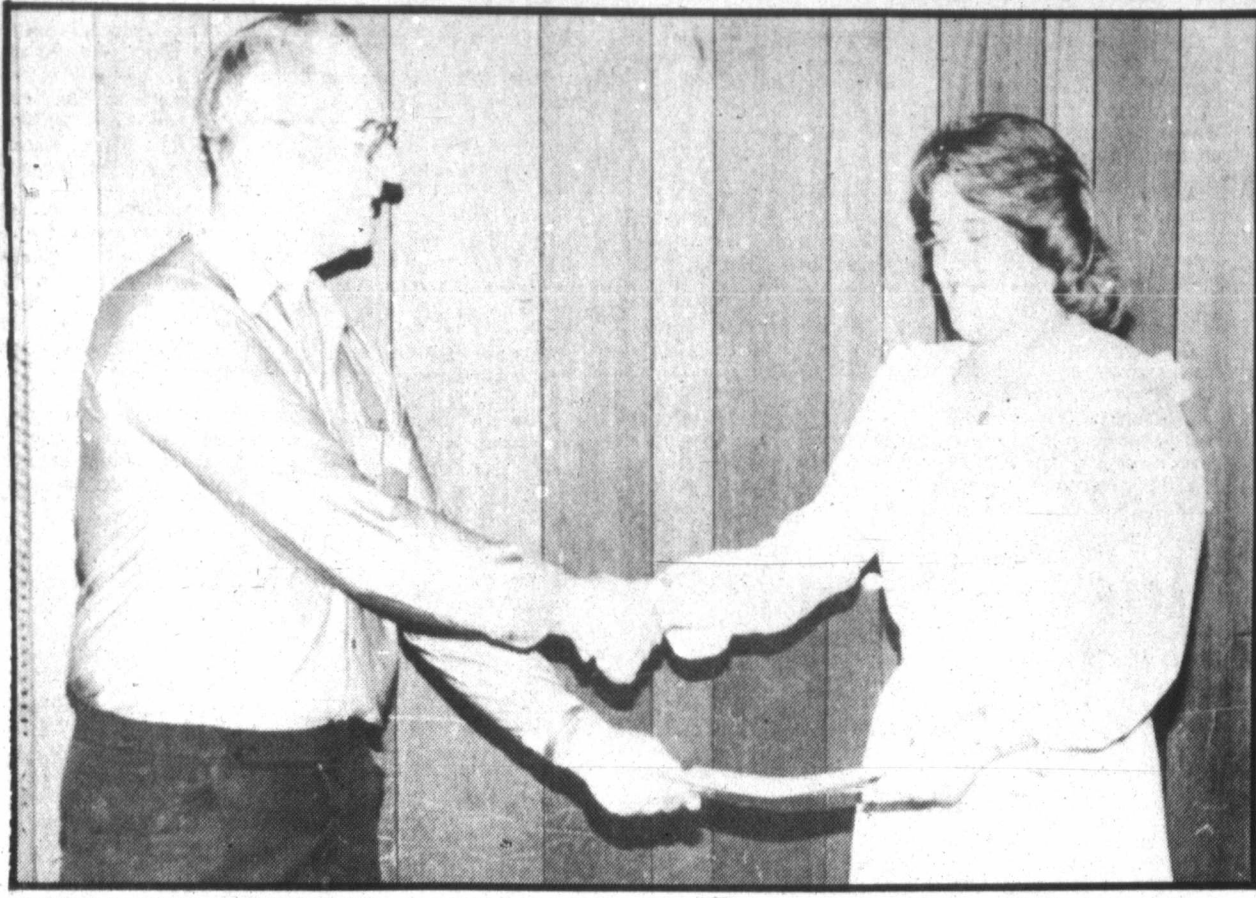
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# Lifestyles



**KIWANIS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP.** A \$2,000 scholarship was awarded to Pampa High School student Rhonda Welch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Budd Welch, Tuesday night at a meeting of the Top O' Texas Kiwanis Club. Gene Turner, left, presented the scholarship. Another \$2,000 scholarship will be presented to Jill Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lewis. The meeting also

honored Robert Ellison, distinguished club president of 1981, Ronnie Parker, distinguished club secretary of 1981, and the Kiwanis's Fireman of the Month, Paul Jones. The club also heard a presentation on Girl's Town by Robert Wilson.

(Staff Photo by David Christenson)

## Suntans only "look" healthy

The most dangerous part of the year for sun damage to your skin is not necessarily the hottest part of the year, according to a leading authority on the dangers of excessive sun exposure.

Dr. Myra Barker, vice president of research and development for Mary Kay Cosmetics, Inc., explains that sun exposure reaches a danger peak for ultraviolet B radiation (the type generally blamed for most skin damage) on June 21 in the Northern Hemisphere, "but that can be very misleading," she says.

"The dangers begin building up in April and May. You may think more about it in August when the temperatures top 100 degrees, but the danger of skin damage actually peaked two months earlier," according to Dr. Barker.

The dangers of excessive exposure to the sun are many. Some signs we generally consider part of the normal aging process are not really from aging as much as from being in the sun, whether the exposure was planned or not.

"Wrinkling is one form of skin damage," Dr. Barker says. "It is caused by permanent changes in the dermis, the underlying layer of skin."

"There's nothing that can be done to reverse it other than plastic surgery once it happens. Sun damage is largely cumulative and irreversible," she says.

The most serious consequence of sun damage, however, is skin cancer. Dr. Barker says an estimated 300,000 persons this year will be treated for skin cancer, and that about 5,000 of these persons will die. "Skin cancer is one of the most common forms of the disease in this country," she says, "and the sad part is that most of these cases are unnecessary."

"It is strictly a question of our personal habits and of the choices we make for ourselves in terms of sun exposure," she says.

Dr. Barker also cautions against thinking a tan is "healthy." "A tan only looks healthy," she says. "One of the most misunderstood conceptions about sunlight is that a tan is protective and once you've tanned, you no longer need a sunscreen."

"This is not true. Tanning will help prevent a sunburn, but tanning increases your risk of skin aging and skin cancer. It is not protective against skin aging. It is not protective against skin cancer."

Dr. Barker also offers these thoughts on related subject: — Sunburning: "A sunburn is not a simple phenomenon that is temporary, hurts a while and goes away. It is a permanent form of skin damage and there is evidence that severe sunburning early in life tends to increase the chance of skin cancer later."

— Freckling: "People who freckle are more likely to develop skin cancer than other people because freckling is a sign the skin cannot adequately pigment

itself evenly. If you have children who freckle, please, please teach them to wear a sunscreen."

— Acne: "Many people believe acne is lessened by sun exposure, sometimes this is so, but there are many people whose acne doesn't improve, it gets worse. No one knows exactly why this is so and it's difficult to predict what will happen to any one person."

— Spotting: "Those brown spots you see on the back of the hands or face that we used to call 'liver spots' don't have anything at all to do with your liver. It has to do with sun exposure."

Fortunately, there are two things the average person can do to limit damage from the sun.

First, don't expose yourself to direct sunlight for extended periods of time. Once the damage is done, Dr. Barker says, there is no way to undo it.

Second, if you are going to be in the sun, even for short periods of time, use a sunscreen with a high SPF (Sun Protection Factor). The higher the SPF number, the greater the amount of ultraviolet radiation it will absorb before your skin is damaged. Use of a high SPF sunscreen is particularly important for persons who sunburn easily.

"And," Dr. Barker adds, "apply the sunscreen very liberally seven to 15 minutes before you go out, and reapply it often. Don't wait until you start to redden before putting it on. The protection you will receive takes awhile to begin working."

Dear Abby

## Nudist's expose has little to show

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY (really, her secretaries): After Abby's poor advice regarding family nudity at home (she's against it), I invited Abby to spend a weekend at Treehouse Fun Ranch, a nudist resort.

I assumed that a columnist of national reputation would be interested in learning the truth about nudist camps firsthand in order to pass that information on to her millions of readers.

Wrong! Abby is too shy to learn the truth about nudism. Abby is too shy to even send someone else to learn the truth. Abby is too shy to admit that she is ignorant about nudist camps and she's too shy to try to get over her shyness.

So, the great solver of the world's problems and the knower of all answers is shy. Pity!

Will you secretaries please tell Abby that if she is too shy to spend a weekend at a nudist resort, she should retire.

MIKE MEYER, LANCASTER, PA.

DEAR MR. MEYER: Abby is not shy, but admits to being something of a conformist. As the late Bill Vaughan, columnist for the Kansas City Star, once wrote: "If there is anything the non-conformist hates worse than a conformist, it's another non-conformist who doesn't conform to the prevailing standards of non-conformity."

ABBY'S STAFF

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I are in strong disagreement over what to do about our son, who will be 18 soon. "Peter" (not his real name) dropped out of high school at 17 to "work in the real world," but so far he has not found a job. He has been very selective in his job hunting. He's not really qualified for anything, but no job seems good enough.

I suggested that he take a paper route until he can get the kind of job he wants, but he won't even consider it.

I told Peter that his free-loading days will be over when he reaches 18, that he will be expected to pay room and board while he lives with us. My wife says I am totally unreasonable to demand such a thing from our son.

I maintain that when children turn 18, they are no longer minors and they should support themselves. Also, there is no law stating that parents have an obligation to send their children to college, either. Your opinion on both questions, please?

NEW YORKER

DEAR NEW YORKER: I vote with you on both counts. Some birds won't even attempt to fly until

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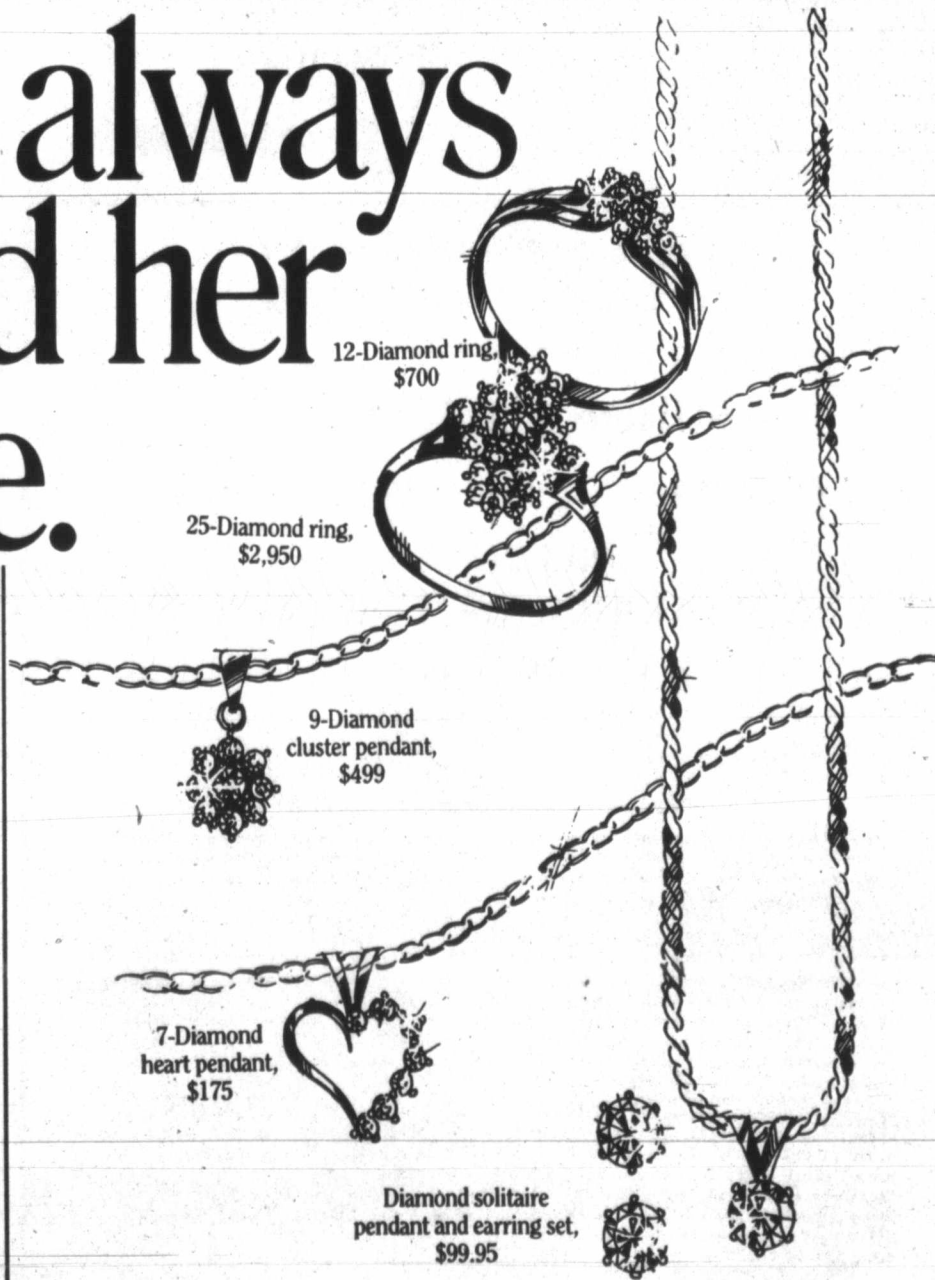
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# ZALES

The Diamond Store is all you need to know.



# Mobeetie gets cooking

BY SHARON HUMPHREY

Bat Masterson and his pals would never have recognized their old haunt of Mobeetie last weekend. Cowboys and cowgirls and chili were the rule of the day at the Old Mobeetie Jail on Saturday as crowds gathered to witness the fun and heavy competition involved in the "First Annual Old Mobeetie Chili Cook-Off".

While some of the competitors were relatively new to chili cook-offs, like Weldon Simms who says he got involved during the deer season because he wound up with so much extra meat after his hunting successes, others have been trying to out chili each other for years.

Secret ingredients abounded. Many of the contestants either grow their own ingredients or have them imported from such wild sounding places as Roy, New Mexico.

Most of the chili chefs were reluctant to give even an idea of what was in the pot but anyone stopping by Turnbow's Spring River Chili wagon was given a printed copy of Turnbow's recipe.

Part of the fun for the day, especially for those who were at a chili cook-off for the first time, was seeing the names the cooks gave their hottest item. Names such as Trail Blazer, Napalm and Scorpion were commonplace. Each contestant had his or

her own cooking area named and decorated for the Showmanship competition. Dr. John's Medicine Show and Thomas' Tubmleweeds were among the most noticeable.

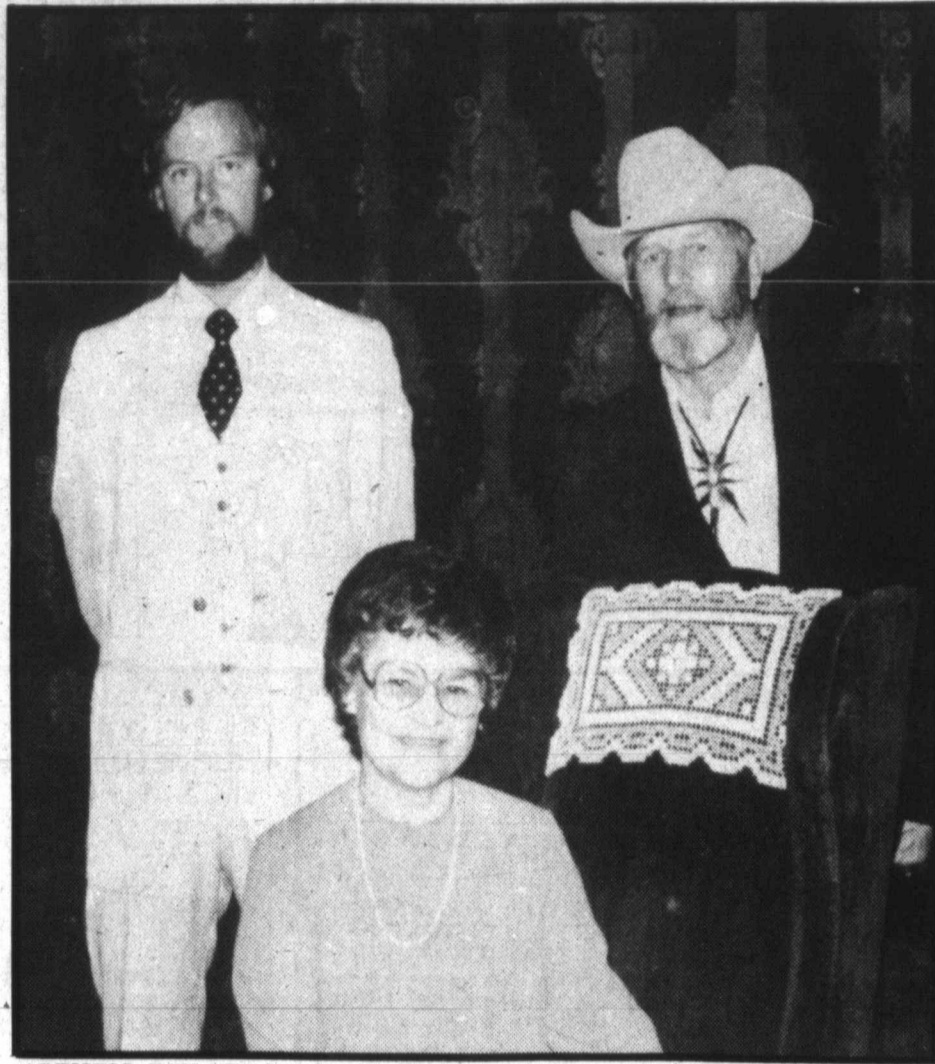
While the chili was cooking other contests were held which involved everyone from 3 years old upward. Starting the competition was the Fast Draw contest won by Shawn Kyser, 12, who got his banana out of the holster in one-tenth of a second.

Next was the tobacco spitting contest, won by Bill Hopkins. This contest was not limited by age and many young would-be spitters were heard to comment that they would hesitate to try it again.

A fast and furious horse shoe throwing contest was the final event before the day's big chili winners were announced. Tim Fisher and Robert Saylor won the under 16 division in horse shoes and the adult division was carried by Eddie Hartsfield and Ken Young.

The major awards of the day went to Ray Burda, Vicki Burda, Mandy Burda and Retha Van Dyke for their Tara: Gone to the Wind Chili and the old South display they used to advertise it.

As one contestant put it, "We drink a lot of beer, eat a lot of chili and have a lot of fun. When you can offer more than that, I'll listen, but I'll still be back here next year."



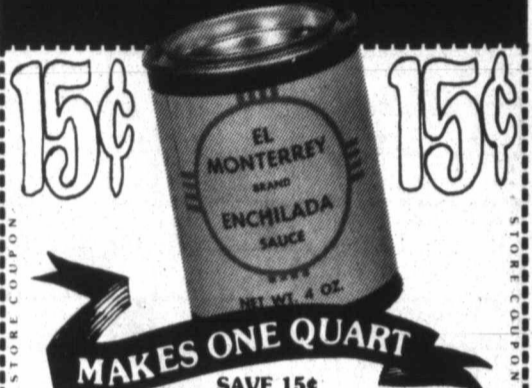
ARTISTIC INFLUENCE. Evelyn Epps, 1981-82 Artist of the Year, is flanked by her peers, Jon Davis, left, wood carver specializing in furniture, and Gerald Sanders, carver, whose talent lies in the transformation of antlers and horns into works of art. The three Pampans displayed a sampling of their work Tuesday evening at the Pampa Country Club during the annual meeting of the Pampa Fine Arts Association. (Staff Photo by Cinda Robinson)

# Make a Home Run

Running in place is an excellent heart- and lung-strengthening exercise. It allows the woman with a busy schedule to exercise on her own time and in the privacy of her home. Here are a few pointers for those who want to start a stationary running program: Always wear jogging shoes or sneakers to protect the feet from injury. Raise each foot at least eight inches from the ground. Be sure to run on a surface that "gives" — a carpeted rather than bare floor. Run for a minimum of 60 steps per minute. Finally, remember to tune in some lively music to help you keep your pace — and pleasure.

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# Swimsuits have come a long way

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Back around 1913, Jantzen's swimsuits for women, created of wool and carefully covering a great portion of skin, weighed about 8 pounds. That didn't count the matching wool knee socks and bathing cap the woman also donned to take a dip.

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Jantzen Inc., which as late as 1917 sold only 50 dozen swimsuits annually, moved toward the water in 1913 when members of the Portland Rowing Club approached the Portland Knitting Co. to make a pair of rib-stitch trunks for wear during the rainy winter.

The suit, tested in the YMCA pool and the Willamette River, proved popular. It was a turning point in the fortunes of the Portland Knitting Co., the predecessor of Jantzen.

Style was not a consideration in the earliest days of bathing. Modesty alone dictated the fashions that women wore into the water.

Indeed, in the earliest days of bathing or

swimming, as we know it now, young ladies at Brighton, Enland, a spot made popular by the Prince of Wales, moved into the water completely encased in wicker vehicle drawn by a donkey. Once the vehicle was pulled waist-high into the sea, the women emerged — somehow through the floor of the vehicle — to "bathe." And heaven help the woman who displayed too much leg while she was emerging.

A favorite bathing dress of the 1850s consisted of long drawers conf'ed at the ankle and a long dress belted at the waist. By 1880 women were beginning to show ankles — even knees — although their bathing costumes were complete with heavy black stockings and a ruffled cap.

By 1900, women were starting to learn to swim. They needed more comfort and began to discard the skirt. The sailor look was popular and considered daring. Black stockings were still in evidence.

In 1910 it took Annette Kellerman, Australian swimming champion, to really change swim fashions for women. She broke the water in a form-fitting, neck-to-ankle outfit.

From then on there was no stopping women when it came to the water. In 1921, a brief Jantzen swimsuit appeared and, legend has it, changed bathing to swimming. It was a sleek tank suit, like the one worn in the company's red diving girl emblem, used in a sensational — for the times — newspaper advertisement.

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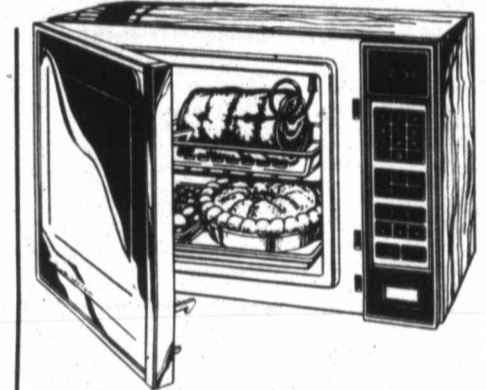
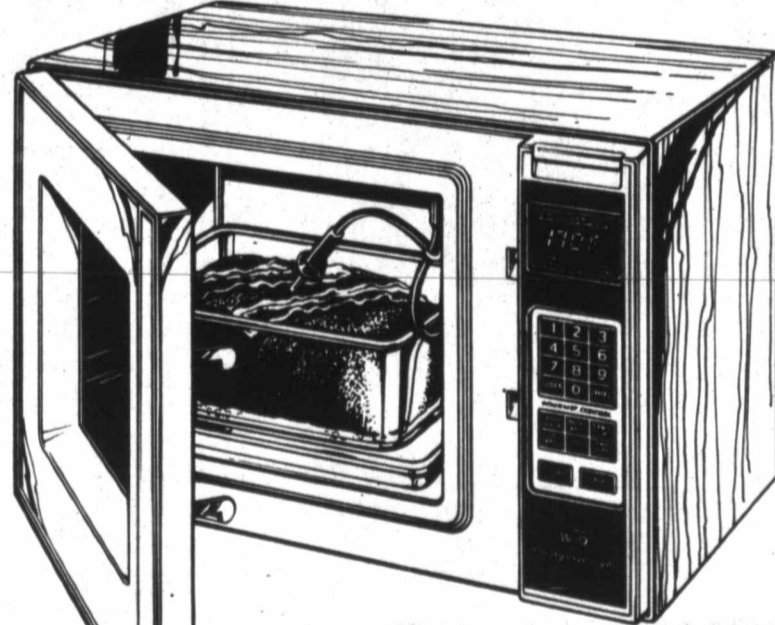
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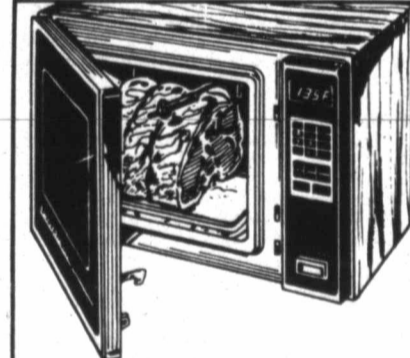
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50 Day before a feast

STEVE CANYON

By Milton Caniff

5 UNDER THE DISMAL SHROUD SUMMER STARTS TO WHISTLE "DIXIE"...

...IF THIS APARTMENT HAD NOT STUNNED THE NATIVE DANCERS - SUMMER'S NEXT MOVE DOES! SHE STARTS TO WHISTLE "EAST SIDE, WEST SIDE"...

...AND GOES INTO A WALTZ CLOG!

AN "OFF TO BUFFALO" EXIT AND HOPE I WON'T BE HELD OVER!

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

CARLYLE!

Too MUCH Cheese.

THE WIZARD OF ID

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

THE PRISONERS ARE ROTING!

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REMINDE THEM THE CEMETERY IS ONLY HALF FULL

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

Major Hoople

MUCH TO THE SURPRISE OF INTERPOL, I WENT TO THE LIBRARY INSTEAD OF THE SCENE OF THE CRIME! I WANTED THE HISTORY OF MY QUARRY!

FINGERS WAS AN ETON GRADUATE WHO SERVED WITH THE GRENADE GUARDS! HIS FAMILY EXPECTED HIM TO FOLLOW A CAREER IN ACADEMIA! INSTEAD HE TURNED TO A LIFE OF CRIME FROM BOREDOM!

I KNOW THE FEELING

THEY'RE READY TO KILL!

EEK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

THE BIG QUESTION IS, DO WE EXERCISE FREE WILL OVER OUR LIVES...

OR IS EVERYTHING PRE-DETERMINED ACCORDING TO SOME MASTER PLAN?

NEITHER

IT'S RUNNING AMUCK

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

STRIKE THREE! GAMES OVER!

YOU GAVE HIM THE 'TAKE SIGN' ON A THREE-AND-TWO?

I COULDN'T HELP IT! ...I HAVE THIS RASH.

PRISCILLA'S POP

By Al Vermeer

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, I'M AN OLD STODGE?

I JUST ENJOY RELAXING

IF YOU WANT ME TO BOUNCE AROUND ON A DANCE FLOOR, FORGET IT!

IN THE RACE OF LIFE, I'M QUITE CONTENT TO BE AN "ALSO-RAN."

THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS AN "ALSO-CREPT," EMILY!

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

WHY ARE YOU CARRYING THAT PAIL OF WATER AROUND, NASTY?

I CAN ADD THAT TO MY LIST OF QUESTIONS I SHOULDN'T ASK NASTY MCNARF.

TUMBLEWEEDS

By T.K. Ryan

I HEAR THE THUNDER IN MANY HOOPS.

WHAT KIND OF HOOVES?

WELL, LESSEE... IT CAN'T BE THE DEERY, THAT'S OVER... IT'S TOO EARLY FOR THE PREEKNES..

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

... THE FOLLOWING PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS HAS BEEN COMPUTER-ENHANCED.

GARFIELD

By Jim Davis

THEN, ONCE THE POTATO IS DUG UP, IT IS SLICED, DEEP-FRIED, SALTED AND BAGGED. VOILA, YOU HAVE YOUR POTATO CHIP

I HATE KNOWING WHERE FOOD COMES FROM...

ALL THE MAGIC IS GONE

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Astro-Graph by bernice bede osol

Alliances into which you enter for other than business purposes will prove of mutual benefit to all concerned this coming year. However, be careful with whom you team up for commercial reasons.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** You are likely to be luckier today in involvements which require team effort than you will be from things where you are acting independently. Predictions of what's in store for you in each season following your birth date and where your luck and opportunities lie are in your Astro-Graph. Mail \$1 for each to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to specify birth date.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** This could be a lucky day work or careerwise. Should anything opportune develop you must move on it quickly or all may be lost.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Romantically, this could be a red letter day for unattached Cancers. That special someone may finally enter the picture.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Make the necessary effort today to finalize matters which you deem to be the most important. Expediency is necessary. You might be luckier now than later.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Associates place considerable importance on your words today and they'll remember for a long time what you have to say. Offer encouragement to all you encounter.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Your material prospects look encouraging today. Lady Luck will do all she can to help you get the cash register ringing if she sees you're really trying.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Delegate as little as possible today. Anything you personally put your hand to should turn out more fortunately than if others do it.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Something propitious is developing for you at this time, but it may be screened from your view. You won't learn of it until later.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** In your dealings today go right to the top person rather than through underlings, if there's something you want done. You're in tune with those who have clout.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** The odds tend to favor you today in situations which have competitive elements. Don't duck the challenge if fate tosses down the gauntlet.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Anything within reason which you believe yourself capable of doing today, you can do. In your case, a positive attitude will work wonders.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** By using your smarts today you should be able to build something more substantial from an already profitable situation. Lady Luck will help you spot it.

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

"He's not trying to catch his tail... he's looking for the designer label on his new sweater."

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

IF WE USE DINNY FOR TRANSPORTATION, WE CAN REACH TH' HILL OVERLOOKING LEM IN SHORT ORDER...

...AND INSTEAD OF CARTING ALL TH' STUFF WITH US, LIKE TUNK DID...

...WE'LL BUILD OUR ROCK ROLLERS FROM MATERIALS AT TH' SITE!

SO IF YOU CAN STALL TUNK FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS, WE OUGHTA BE IN BUSINESS!

OKAY, OOP! GO TO IT! I'LL BUY YOU AS MUCH TIME AS I CAN!

THE BORN LOSER

By Art Sanson

...AND WHAT IS YOUR AGE, MRS. THORNAPPLE? 37.

37? WELL.....37 AND SOME MONTHS...

ER...HOW MANY MONTHS? .....120.

PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schultz

Beauty Tips

YOU KNOW WHAT?

I THINK YOU NEED ME TO SIT UP THERE, AND HELP YOU WRITE YOUR COLUMN...

Ugly Tips



# Old guns are letting National Guard down

By Tom Tiede

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (NEA) - The self-propelled M-42 gun is one of those military items that seemed like a good idea at the time. It was created before the Korean War, when propeller planes were still a strategic consideration, and the engineers thought it would make a dandy anti-aircraft weapon.

Why not? The gun was

lightweight yet rugged, and it could run like a truck over the worst of terrain. Likewise it was noisy. It was built like a tank, with a pair of 40 mm barrels on a turret, and, fully cranked, it could fire 240 rounds a minute, or, put another way, four a second.

Alas for good intentions, though, the M-42 turned out to be something of a turkey. The thing is, it was overtaken by time and events. The

gun was designed to shoot down old planes in a new era, which is to say that it was no match at all for the emergence of aircraft powered by jet propulsion.

In other words it was obsolete from the start.

And yet somehow the obsolescence has not seemed to matter. For the M-42 gun is still in the service of the U.S. military. Like many old weapons, it has been given over to the

National Guard. Five thousand soldiers in five states are still maintaining 500 of the ancient anti-aircraft weapons.

One of the units is here at this seaside vacation community. It's Battery D of the 26th ADA. The unit keeps one M-42 outside of its formidable armory. It looks like something out of a WW-II movie. The men here say that it's no way to prepare for the Russians.

And the men add that the M-42 is not the only relic

around. Guard units across the nation complain of dated equipment. At a time when the regular military is preparing for space age warfare, the National Guard says it continues to operate with furnishings that are as much as 30 years old.

Guard commanders say their forces constitute half the Army's fighting capability, but receive only 5 percent of the Army's budget.

This means that in large part the units are making do with old planes, old vehicles, even old ordnance, as exam-

ple, the M-42 shells were made in the 1950s.

The officers think the situation is intolerable. And they use the M-42 as the best

example of their gripe. Besides Florida, the gun remains in use in Ohio, Virginia, South Carolina and New Mexico, and soldiers in each state claim the weapon is so antiquated that it is humiliating.

Lt. Col. Gilbert Baca speaks for the majority. He is the plans and training officer for the New Mexico National Guard, and he says

the M-42 is "the musket of the 1980s." In addition, he fears that the weapon is more of a burden to U.S. forces than it is a threat to potential enemies.

For one thing, the M-42 is only effective against aircraft traveling at speeds of 200 mph or less. And today's jet fighters normally fly from two to five times as fast. Daytona Beach Sgt. John LaCours says challenging MIG-21s with M-42s

would be like throwing stones at shooting stars.

What's more, the M-42 ammunition is scarce as hair on a hen. Col. Baca says 40 mm shells are not being manufactured anymore, and the New Mexico Guard has taken to using warehoused Navy ordnance. In event of war, Baca says all of the state's supplies would be expended in a week.

Then there is the maintenance problem. The last M-42 was built in the 1950s, and so was the last spare part. Florida Guard officers

say cannibalization has been going on for more than two decades, and crewmen insist some of the guns are being held together with bailing wire and plumbing clamps.

Bailing wire? "Sometimes we use string."

String? "Or rubber bands."

Do they work? "No. But neither do the guns."

The crewmen say the guns are so old that many of them are no longer accurate. The components have been cleaned and handled for so long that they have been worn out of shape. One soldier here says the safest place to stand when the guns are firing is directly in front of the barrels.

Baca generally agrees. He doesn't think the M-42 is totally worthless, he says it can still produce a lot of fire in a short time, but, on balance, he believes the gun should be retired. "I don't think it could survive in modern combat," he says, "neither could the crews."

## Can the Democrats regain the Senate?

By Robert J. Wagman

WASHINGTON (NEA) - As the nation's economic woes have mounted and the Reagan administration's popularity has plummeted, professionals from both political parties have begun to ponder what until recently was the unthinkable: Could the Republicans lose control of the Senate in the fall elections?

The Republicans hold a 54-46 majority in the Senate. Thus, the Democrats have to net five additional seats in November if they are to regain control of that chamber.

Most observers could not conceive of this happening even as recently as February. But now even some Republican professionals are starting to talk about the possibility of a new Democratic majority in the Senate beginning next January.

Of the 33 seats to be contested in November, 19 are currently held by Democrats, 13 by Republicans and one by retiring "independent" Harry Byrd of Virginia. (Byrd has voted with the Democrats to organize the Senate but with the Republicans on many other matters.)

Early this year only two of those Republican seats appeared to be in any real danger of going Democratic: Lowell Weicker's in Connecticut and S.I. Hayakawa's in California. Hayakawa has since announced his retirement.

Several other Republicans were looking "soft" in the polls, but most professionals expected that the next Senate would look about like this one with a small GOP majority.

Now they are much less certain. In fact, even the Republican experts consider only three of their party's incumbents to be sure bets to win re-election. They are Richard Lugar in Indiana, John Danforth in Missouri and John Heinz in Pennsylvania.

The professionals are rating 10 GOP seats as "vulnerable": Weicker's in Connecticut, Orrin Hatch's in Utah, Malcolm Wallop's in Wyoming, Harrison Schmitt's in New Mexico, William Roth's in Delaware, John Chafee's in Rhode Island, David Durenberger's in Minnesota, Robert Stafford's in Vermont and the open seats in New Jersey and California.

Of course, some of those seats are a lot more vulnerable than others.

Weicker and Hatch seem to be in the most difficulty among the Republican incumbents seeking re-election. The GOP professionals also concede that the party will have a tough time holding their New Jersey seat (currently occupied by Republican Nicholas Brady, who was appointed to succeed Democrat Harrison Williams).

Meanwhile only two Democratic seats are considered vulnerable. They are the open seat in Virginia and the one held by George Mitchell in Maine.

No one really believes that the GOP will lose all or even most of the 10 vulnerable seats. But the key question is whether the party could, say, lose six seats while picking up only one from the Democrats or lose five seats while taking none from the opposition.

Some Democrats would prefer that their party emerge from the elections with a net gain of four seats, thus splitting the chamber 50-50. Vice President George Bush would then have to cast the tie-breaking vote on issues decided along party lines.

This would put Bush - a potential presidential candidate in 1984 - on the political spot. The Democrats expect that they could cause no end of mischief for him.

One candidate has challenged our assessment of the Senate race in Nevada.

We reported earlier this year that the Republicans

seemed to have all but conceded the general election to the winner of the tight Democratic primary between incumbent Sen. Howard Cannon and Rep. James Santini.

That report brought a response from Rick Fore, who believes himself to be a "viable Republican alternative" in the race.

Fore is a 34-year-old Las Vegas businessman who is active in civic affairs. His campaign is relying on the hope that Nevada's Democrats will be so badly split after the Cannon-Santini primary that their nominee will be susceptible to an upset defeat by the candidate of a united GOP.

Fore is emphasizing his strong, unabashed support of President Reagan and his economic program - which might not be the wisest approach given the current mood of the nation. Most experts consider Fore to be a very long shot to beat either of the potential Democratic standardbearers.

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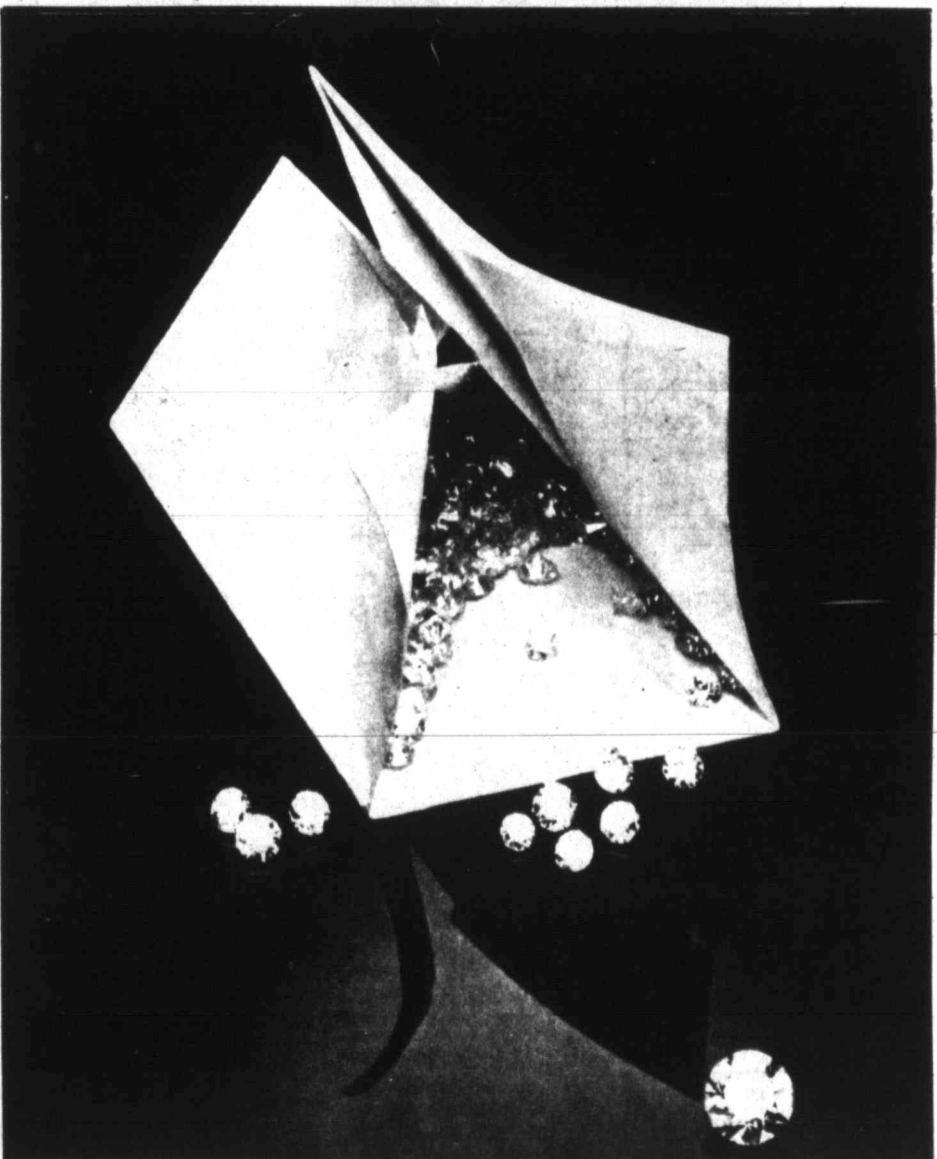
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# Soviets face economic problems, uncertainties

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — The Soviet Union likes to tell the world that it has no unemployment, little inflation, and is immune to the shocks and crises of Western business cycles. That may be, but despite its immense natural resources, the Soviet Union has serious economic troubles of its own, and the most intractable ones seem built into the system.

By **MARC ROSENWASSER**  
Associated Press Writer  
**MOSCOW (AP)** — There's an old joke about four Soviet leaders riding together on a train when the tracks suddenly and inexplicably end.

Says Lenin: "We just appeal to the revolutionary fervor of the masses so they'll complete the track."

Says Stalin: "Round up those responsible and punish them."

Khrushchev: "Let's lift up the tracks behind us and lay them down in front."

Finally, Leonid Brezhnev, today's president: "My advice is to close the curtains, turn off the light and pretend we're still moving."

The Soviet economy is still chugging along, unlike that mythical train, but it's been chugging more slowly in recent years. There are signs it may be losing more steam at a time when the average Soviet citizen still earns far less, has fewer consumer goods, lives in smaller quarters and eats a less balanced diet than his counterpart in the West.

Soviet officials prefer to look at the bright side, emphasizing that the nation has no unemployment, virtually no inflation, and that industrial growth is continuing without the periodic "crises" that beset capitalist countries.

But the growth in industrial output was 3.4 percent in 1981, according to Soviet figures, down from 3.6 in the previous year, and below the planned increase of 4.1 percent.

The Soviets themselves acknowledge that the fuel on which their economy runs is becoming scarcer and increasingly expensive to extract, that workers are often inefficient, and that there aren't enough of them in the right places.

The country's population is growing in the Moslem areas to the southeast; its greatest natural wealth is located in Siberia, to the north and east, and the majority of its population still lives in the European part of the country to the west. In addition, the country suffers from what one Soviet writer recently called a "demographical hole" — a manpower shortage that stems from heavy Soviet losses in World War II.

Western experts say inertia on the part of Soviet officialdom, reluctant to make hard political decisions or ideological concessions, is another major factor contributing to the economy's problems.

They say the Kremlin could cut down on defense spending, estimated at 12 to 14 percent of the Soviet gross national product, and put the difference into domestic consumption; trim aid to client states like Cuba and Vietnam, which receive Soviet resources and goods at below-market prices; or increase private ownership and incentives, tactics that have stimulated the economies of other Communist nations, such as Hungary.

However, the Soviets are not likely to cut arms spending at a time when the United States has begun an arms buildup. Cuts in aid to client states would mean giving up political leverage, a move the Soviets are reluctant to make. And major economic changes would amount to an admission that the current system, based on Marxist-Leninist principles, is unworkable — an unacceptable ideological concession for the world's leading promoter and defender of communism.

"The Soviet Union has a tremendous economy that has a lot of potential. It's not about to collapse overnight," one Western analyst said recently. "But all the symptoms show it is slowing down and showing signs of strain."

Soviet industrial and agricultural production dropped in several key areas in January 1982, following a sluggish performance last year and disappointing results in the five-year period ended in 1980.

Data published in the

Economic Gazette, a weekly publication of the Soviet government, showed that the production of oil, steel, coal, cement, trucks and cars, and meat all fell in January from the same month a year ago. There was only a marginal improvement in February.

That means the economy is again running far behind the ambitious targets that the leadership set, a situation that has upset Communist Party leaders.

Last November, the Communist Party Central Committee insisted that "practices allowed in the past of correcting plans cannot be tolerated. After being endorsed, the (economic) plan becomes law, and it is precisely as a law that everyone — from worker to minister — must treat it. The party sets the task: the plan for 1982 must be not only fulfilled, but overfulfilled."

Any optimism about the Soviet economy rests largely on the country's enormous natural resources. The Soviet Union is the world's leading

oil producer, second in natural gas and gold, and has great stores of diamonds, timber, and coal.

"Nature," Brezhnev said in a recent speech, "has been lavish to us. This allows us to look into the future confidently."

The nation's energy planners, however, probably look to the future with a mixture of confidence and concern.

Natural gas production continues strong. It ran ahead of target last year and is expected to increase by nearly 50 percent by 1985. It's considered the nation's best means for earning badly needed hard (convertible) currency from the energy-hungry, capitalist West.

The Soviet Union needs Western currency if it wants to continue importing grain and technology from Western nations which refuse to accept Moscow's ruble in payment.

The Soviets are developing

new gas fields and moving ahead with the construction of six giant pipelines that will feed natural gas from western Siberia to the European part of the country. One will extend into Western Europe. Brezhnev has called these the "key construction projects" of the 11th five-year plan.

The oil picture is less rosy, however. Earlier this year, the president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, Anatoly Alexandrov, told a Soviet newspaper that "fuel resources are running out quickly.... Oil should be vigorously saved."

Soviet oil production, which rose dramatically over the past 25 years, last year grew by less than 1 percent, and today the Soviets are earning less for the oil on international markets because of the oil glut. That is thought to be causing cash-flow problems.

Such developments have prompted a search for alternative sources of energy. In an article published in

January, the deputy chairman of the U.S.S.R. state planning committee, A. Lalayants, wrote: "Atomic energy has a special place in the development of the fuel and energy complex.... Simultaneously, foundations are being laid for tapping new sources of power — the sun, the wind...."

Conservation is being urged more and more. Soviet Premier Nikolai Tikhonov, in a speech a year ago, called for "tight restrictions on the use of all resources. The saving of every ton of oil, coal, and metal is having an ever-greater effect, and the damage caused by their irrational use is becoming more palpable."

To get the most for their money, Soviet economic planners say the country will spend less on building new plants and more on modernizing existing ones.

Press reports indicate that the country will go ahead with fuel-and-energy, petrochemical and

metallurgical projects but that a greater percent of money will be spent on modernizing and retooling plants and on completion of unfinished projects.

Waste has been a matter of concern in building especially. The Soviet construction minister, G. Karavayev, recently exhorted builders to use materials more carefully and do away "once and for all with losses of working time." He demanded better organization and work discipline on construction projects.

Such demands are issued often, but seem to have little effect. Western analysts contend waste is built into the

system. "In the West," said one expert, "you either adapt or you go out of business. Here the government keeps inefficient businesses going."

The Communist leader of the Soviet republic of Georgia acknowledged in a recent speech that many of the region's enterprises would have gone bankrupt long ago if the government hadn't kept them afloat.

One area where waste has seemed endemic is the government-run farms. Soviet agriculture came up with three successive poor

harvests, and the shortage of grain has cut into meat and milk production, forced the country to spend hard currency on food imports, and undermined the leadership's promises of higher living standards.

Bad weather has been cited as a factor, but Brezhnev himself has said that unfavorable weather can no longer be blamed for all of the nation's agricultural ills.

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