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Lawmakers, Reagan talk about budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. insisted today that President Reagan had abandoned a controversial freeze on Social Security benefits, despite claims by Republican leaders that talk of settling a long budget impasse may be premature.

"Everybody agreed on both sides — the votes weren't out there to touch Social Security in any way, shape or form," O'Neill told reporters.

O'Neill made his remarks as House and Senate budget conferees gathered at the White House for a bargaining session with President Reagan designed to get the stalled talks moving again.

Leaders of both parties emerged from a private meeting with Reagan at the White House late Tuesday claiming that progress was being made toward budget accord on the two main obstacles to agreement — Social Security benefits and defense spending.

But Democrats present at the session had a different interpretation than Republicans of just how much progress had been made. Democratic leaders proclaimed that Social Security limits were now "off the table" in terms of assembling a compromise deficit-reduction plan.

But Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole told reporters "there was no decision to take anything off the table."

"I didn't get the same message that he got," O'Neill said today. "Social Security...cost of living increases were absolutely off the table."

Late Tuesday, Dole said a compromise without scaling back Social Security benefits was "an option," but that before it could be considered, budget negotiators would have to figure out how to come up with the \$22 billion over three years that the Senate-passed Social Security freeze would have saved.

"There was no mention of making up \$22 billion," O'Neill insisted today.

Still, Dole conceded that it was

unlikely that a one-year freeze on Social Security benefits like the one in the budget approved by the Republican-run Senate and endorsed by Reagan could ever win final congressional approval.

And he conceded for the first time that a final compromise dropping the Social Security freeze in exchange for other spending cuts was a distinct possibility.

He added that, while Social Security was not off the table, "it's on the edge."

Dole said budget negotiators would have to look in other places to match the \$22 billion that the Social Security freeze would save over the next three years — and said until such savings could be identified, it was too early to talk about a compromise.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said today, "It is obvious that there is an impasse. It will be difficult to get approval of a Social Security COLA freeze. However, we have got to find something to replace those savings."

The top-level session came only hours after Reagan's budget director, David Stockman, a major participant in the efforts to reach a budget compromise, announced his resignation.

Budget negotiators and White House officials had earlier disclosed progress toward a tentative agreement on another major difference — defense spending.

Both budgets call for spending cuts that would reduce the nation's \$200 billion deficit by some \$56 billion next year — but the Senate version would include the Social Security freeze while allowing defense spending to rise with the rate of inflation.

The budget approved by the Democratic-run House would protect Social Security increases while freezing defense spending at 1985 levels.

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Cody Bell/Reporter-Telegram

Jimmy "Jim" Koonce, who turns 16 today, stands near three aircraft he flew today in his quest to solo in various aircraft. He soloed in a sailplane at age 14.

Teen to solo in several craft today

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Today, on his 16th birthday, Jimmy Koonce soared into the air via airplanes and soloed again and again.

"It was all easy and smooth," he said moments after he soloed shortly after dawn today in an 180-horsepower Beechcraft Sundowner at Midland Regional Airport.

The 6-foot-3½ youth seemed calm, relaxed, comfortable and eager to fly again.

"Take-offs and landings looked real good to me," his father and flight instructor, 47-year-old Jim Koonce of Midland, told his son. "Congratulations, son."

"Great. Glad I'm proud," said his mother, Jeanie.

At the controlled airport, Jimmy soloed between flights of commercial, corporate and private aircraft.

His parents and his girlfriend, Shelly Rumbaugh, 15, gave the student pilot a gift of aviation patches and a sky-blue T-shirt monogrammed with the Pilot's Prayer:

"Lose not thy airspeed lest the ground rise up and smite thee."

He donned the T-shirt only after his dad, in the tradition of aviation, cut the tail out of his son's solo shirt.

"Do it again, Jim," Shelly said encouragingly, and Jimmy climbed into another aircraft, a Beechcraft Skipper, in his quest to fly several aircrafts in a day's soloing. "It's going to be a piece of cake," Shelly said.

The father said his son has talent as an aviator.

"HE'S BEEN competent (to fly solo) for quite awhile," Koonce said, "but legal, no."

Sixteen is the earliest age at which the Federal Aviation Administration will permit a person to solo in a powered aircraft.

"All of his life, off and on, he's been handling the controls," said Koonce, manager of the aviation department of Adobe Oil & Gas Corp.

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Stockman going into investment banking

WASHINGTON (AP) — David A. Stockman, President Reagan's earnest field marshal in the budget wars with Congress, is leaving the battlefield for the relative calm of Wall Street.

No successor for Stockman was immediately named, but a congressional source who spoke on condition that he not be quoted by name said the White House will announce that Joe Wright, deputy budget director, would serve as acting director until a successor is in place.

Stockman

Stockman, 38, will remain as budget director until Aug. 1, allowing him keep a hand in trying to resolve the current budget deadlock on Capitol Hill before Congress takes its annual August recess.

"David Stockman has served with dedication and distinction," Reagan said Tuesday in a White House announcement that the director of the Office of Management and Budget was leaving.

"His tireless effort to bring fiscal discipline to the federal government and ensure economic stability for the country are deeply appreciated," the president added.

Stockman's departure sometime this year had been widely assumed.

It is "something that's been in the works for a long time," said Edwin L. Dale Jr., Stockman's spokesman. "He had told them all over there (at the White House) that he would see (it) through one more budget cycle."

With the current congressional budget talks apparently heading for a compromise and the administration needing to begin preparations for the budget it will submit to Congress early next year, this appeared to be the easiest time for Stockman to announce his departure.

Salomon Bros., a New York investment banking firm, said that Stockman will become a managing director Nov. 1 with responsibilities for corporate and governmental finance.

Stockman's salary as budget direc-

tor was \$75,100 a year. Craig Lewis of Salomon Brothers' public relations firm, Adams and Rinehart, said Stockman's new salary would not be disclosed.

Those mentioned as possible replacements for Stockman include: Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige, B. Jay Cooper, Baldrige's press secretary, said Tuesday that Baldrige had not had any discussions with the president about taking the post.

John A. Svahn, the president's top domestic policy adviser and former head of the Social Security Administration.

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AP Laserphoto

Pete Shield, center, of Wilmington, Del., chairman of Handgun Control Inc., speaks on gun control. With him are his wife Jeanne, Jeff Silverman, left, of Cockeysville, Md., and Ron Bielicki of Watertown, Mass., both confined to wheelchairs after being shot by the robbers. The Shields' son was also killed by a gunman.

House set to vote on handgun bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fresh from a Senate victory on legislation that would allow interstate sales of handguns, conservative senators and pro-gun lobbyists say they'll now try to keep their bill from burial in a House graveyard.

Gun owners' lobbyist John M. Snyder acknowledged Tuesday night that the House leadership is hostile to the bill.

He said House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill has been "symbolic of the opposition" to pro-gun owner bills while Majority Leader Jim Wright "has not indicated any

strong support," and Judiciary Committee Chairman Peter W. Rodino Jr. "is one of the world's worst anti-gun politicians."

Sen. James McClure, R-Idaho, chief sponsor of the Senate bill, said, "There is wide speculation the Judiciary Committee will not report it" to the House floor. He said House supporters may need a rarely successful discharge petition to dislodge the measure from Rodino's committee and move it before the full House.

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Council approves 'more liberal' ordinance for RVs, boats, trailers

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Assistant City Editor

What was termed a "more liberal" ordinance than what is already on the books for owners of recreational vehicles, boats and trailers was approved Tuesday by Midland City Council.

Although some spokesmen for RV owners reluctantly agreed with the changes, other RV owners argued there should be no ordinance and they should be allowed to park their vehicles where they wish.

In the existing ordinance, RVs, boats and trailers more than 21 feet in length can't be parked in the front driveway. If longer than that, they can only be parked at the house four hours for loading and unloading.

But the new ordinance allows the

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vehicles, no matter what the length, to be parked in the driveway as long as they are 11 feet back from the curb, and longer vehicles can be parked in front for 48 hour-periods for loading and unloading. RV owners must obtain a 15-year permit from City Hall by September if they want to be allowed to park it in front. After 15 years, all RVs must be parked in the back yard or stored elsewhere.

Mayor G. Thane Akins said he was concerned about the city code's inconsistency, since it doesn't allow

for dump trucks or tractor-trailer rigs from being parked at one's home. "Why is it all right for an RV versus something that is someone's livelihood? It may be there only at night where an RV might be there 52 weeks a year."

Richard Hennessy, director of planning and community development, said the approach for keeping dump trucks and eventually eliminating RVs from the front yard is based on the intent to keep the front yards open. In case of trouble, firefighters and police officers have easy access to the house.

Councilwoman Katie Heck said commercial vehicles have always been banned, and a committee on which she served tried to work out a compromise with the RV owners.

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AP Laserphoto

Players sit around the table where for 25 years, the men of Ben Arnold, Texas have played dominoes.

Domino shack hideout endures for 25 years

By ROBERT CADWALLADER
Associated Press

BEN ARNOLD, Texas (AP) — The afternoon sun has chased away a thunderstorm, and now the only sound around Ben Arnold is that of dominoes being slapped on a wooden table at the town's most popular hangout.

It's an old, small shack built from the leftovers of a demolished house about 25 years ago, something to provide shelter for those wanting to play dominoes, chew tobacco and tell jokes with the boys now and then.

About a dozen men, mostly retired farmers from the Milam County community north of Cameron, are willing away this afternoon in traditional style.

"Why don't you just pass and get it over with?" one snaps.

"Here, try and play this," responds the other, slamming a domino at the end of the ivory chain.

Slam! The other plays a domino on it. "Give me 10."

No, they're not mad. They just act gruff and impatient to spice up the game. Slamming the dominoes? Just a little spirit.

"Means the game's getting hot," explains Fred "Pie" Folschinsky, 64, one of the more outspoken and gruff members of the daily gathering.

"We don't get mad — what for? We just argue and have fun, pass the time away. Then we go home and garden."

He got his nickname for stealing an apple pie from his own mother when he was 5 years old.

No criminal records here, though. They don't even gamble in this place. Not that there's not an urge occasionally. It's just tradition, established by the founders of the shack to keep the womenfolk from worrying about losing the home-

stead.

Leaders of the George Washington Carver Museum in east Austin want to have the surrounding area declared a black cultural district with tax breaks for new businesses and artists.

"The plans are important because the city has made an informal commitment to the economic development of the east side, and this is one of the grandest opportunities it has to reach that objective," said Melvin Wade, a lecturer in Afro-American history at the University of Texas.

Carver curator Louis Hicks said expanding the museum would give it more space, personnel and equipment to preserve and exhibit artifacts from the history of black Austinites.

"A lot of times, it's pretty impossible, for instance, to convince people to donate family photographs for exhibits," Hicks said. "They want to know that things are professionally handled and, now, we don't have the means."

The museum's current home is a small building constructed in 1926 as the city's first public library. The building was moved to its present location in 1933 at the request of members of the black community for a library of their own in the then-segregated city.

When a new library branch was built in 1980, the museum was created and, three years later, it became part of the city Parks and Recreation Department.

Wade said the museum is appropriate because Austin was an educational and cultural mecca for freed slaves in Texas. They founded six communities within the municipal boundaries from 1867 to 1894.

"To the best of my knowledge, there is nothing comparable to the Carver...in the South," Wade said of the 5-year-old museum. "The best examples elsewhere are in Cleveland, Ohio, and Philadelphia and there is a smaller version in Dallas."

"Black legislators, elected during the Reconstruction period, also took residence here after their terms expired," Wade said. "Blacks in Austin as well as blacks in Galveston were considered the most progressive in the state. They stimulated the community's development in every way."

Owners could 'charge it' with pet credit cards

CANYON (AP) — Credit cards have helped some humans through tight financial spots. Now a group of local veterinarians wants pets to enter the age of plastic.

In an attempt to collar the market on what they hope will be a nationwide animal health care program, the vets have put together a credit card-style system called "Tender Loving Care."

And the vets hope that soon Fido won't think of leaving home without his plastic.

Mary Bechtol, a TLC promoter, says her organization thinks the time has come for a network program that can provide reliable and readily available pet care for families throughout the country.

"If you're a pet owner and you're on the TLC program, your pet will be covered for almost any type of emergency medical need," Mrs. Bechtol said.

She said the system is designed for pet owners who do a lot of traveling. A once-a-year fee gives pet owners

a complete check-up of their dog, cat, bird or snake. In addition, the clinic that does the checkup will be available for other services through the program, Mrs. Bechtol said.

Members can also get a prepaid medical care program that nets them a pet credit card featuring a picture of a dog with a cast on its leg.

By presenting the card at a participating pet clinic, owners can get immediate care for their animals "just as if they were presenting a

Master or Visa card," Mrs. Bechtol said.

"We have recently started running ads in professional magazines and the response has been excellent," she said. "We have received about 1,200 inquiries from veterinarians who are interested in joining our program."

Currently, only West Texans are seeing the TLC network, as most of the 14 participating clinics are in the Panhandle, including five clinics in Amarillo and three in Canyon.

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Black history museum to grow

AUSTIN (AP) — A black neighborhood history museum, the first of its kind in Texas, has its sights set on expanding under a proposed \$4 million bond issue.

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Military joins fighting western fires

Associated Press

Military helicopters hauled water and firefighters for a combined air-ground assault today on more than a thousand wildfires that are stretching resources to the limit in their march across more than 1 million acres of Western brush, timber and range.

Three more California counties were declared disaster areas Tuesday as flames forced thousands of people from their homes and authorities coordinating the attack on fires in 14 states considered asking for more military help.

Kay Grenke, whose family lives north of Rome, Ore., said flames drove thousands of grasshoppers onto her house and a shop building on Monday.

"The wind started blowing and brought that black cloud over, and it was just like the end of the world," she said.

Over 1,000 fires burned in the western United States and three Canadian provinces, authorities said. At least 484 burned in Arizona, California, Idaho, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Montana, Oregon, Utah and Washington, according to the Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho. Other fires were either con-

tained or controlled in the Dakotas, Nebraska and Wyoming.

As many as 4,500 people were evacuated Tuesday in northern California as flames burned tinder-dry brush and trees near 2,000 homes near Los Gatos. That fire added seven homes to the 150 already destroyed in recent firestorms.

About 1,400 people were evacuated from Canal Flats in southeastern British Columbia because five fires, which had charred 12,000 acres, circled the town, said Forests Ministry spokesman Ray Wormald.

More than 11,000 U.S. firefighters were stretched across thousands of miles of fireline, while in the Canadian provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Manitoba, where 380,000 acres have burned, at least 543 fires raged Tuesday, according to the Canadian forest service.

"Normally if Canada asked for help we would help them out. But they haven't asked and we're just about stretched to our limits," said Pauline McGinty, spokeswoman for the Interagency Fire Center, a coordinating agency for the nation's firefighting agencies.

"One option is to ask for military assistance, so we're going to be thinking about that," said spokes-

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conservative senators and the gun lobby pushed through a large number of changes designed to eliminate red tape for licensed gun dealers and owners — and prevent their prosecution for unwitting record-keeping errors.

Snyder, chief lobbyist for the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, which claims a half-million members and supporters, said, "The eyes of tens of millions of American firearms owners will be focused on the U.S. House of Representatives, and particularly its leadership, to see if it too will come through for us."

Michael K. Beard, president of the National Coalition to Ban Handguns, called the Senate action "a day of shame," and said "tainted blood money" of gun lobbyists "speaks louder than the cries of the victims of handgun violence."

Kennedy, in arguing for the prohibition of interstate handgun sales, said law enforcement organizations wanted the provision continued as a crime control measure.

After heavy lobbying by the National Rifle Association and allied gun owner and dealer groups, senators voted 79-15 for major revisions to the Gun Control Act of 1968, the nation's major gun control statute.

It was the first major gun control debate in the Senate in some 13 years, and the House has not fought over an omnibus gun law since the 1968 act was approved.

The current law bans sale of handguns by a dealer in one state to a purchaser from another, but the Senate-passed measure would allow the interstate sales in face-to-face transactions.

Senators voted 69-26 to kill a motion by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., that would have retained the prohibition on cross-state sales.

By an equally impressive 71-23 vote, the Senate killed a motion by Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, D-Hawaii, that would have installed a 14-day waiting period before a purchaser could take possession of his handgun.

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Security measures to include longer hair

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — Young U.S. Marines besieged by the threat of guerrilla attack at the U.S. Embassy here welcomed word that they can drop their traditional "shavetail" haircuts for more conventional styles.

"That's good. We'll look just like regular Americans," one Marine sergeant said Tuesday upon hearing of the change. Other members of the Marine guard at the embassy agreed. U.S. Marines guard all U.S. embassies around the world.

But a U.S. military official attached to the embassy said much more needs to be done to protect against a repeat of last month's massacre of American Marines and civilians in San Salvador.

"From a security perspective, the most important things are the usual — making sure that you vary your routes of travel, not sticking to set schedules, no frequenting outdoor restaurants," he said.

The officer spoke with reporters on condition he not be identified, a practice followed by most U.S. officials in this tense Central American

nation, where the U.S.-supported government has been fighting leftist guerrillas for 5 1/2 years.

Four Marine embassy guards and nine civilians, including two American businessmen, were slain June 19 by guerrillas who fired automatic weapons at patrons of two outdoor cafes.

Security officials believe that the Marines, easily distinguishable by their extremely short haircuts, had been targeted for the attack.

On Tuesday, the Marine Corps said in Washington that it had notified its embassy units around the world that Marine guards would be allowed to grow their hair to standard civilian-style length.

Since the attack, the guerrilla leadership has warned that all Americans involved in the "war of intervention" would be considered legitimate targets.

About 200 Americans are attached to the U.S. Embassy, including about 100 advisers and other U.S. military personnel. The strength of the Marine guard contingent is not disclosed publicly, but they are

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SOLO

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The young flier's aim today was to solo in several types of single-engine aircraft: Beechcraft Sundowner, Beechcraft Skipper and the Cessna 172 at Midland Regional Airport; the Cessna 150 and Piper Tomahawk at Sky Ranch Airport; Piper Cherokee 180 at Schlemeyer Air Field in Odessa, and the Cessna 152 and the Piper Cherokee Warrior at Midland Air Park.

"I'm sure it's no record," said his father. "I'm sure it's been done before."

Koonce said he has read about youthful pilots soloing several times in different aircraft in a single day.

"It's something I wish I had done," he said. "I always thought it was real neat. It shows additional levels of competency and proficiency."

A year later, on July 20, 1970,

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"These people bought one in good faith that it was a passenger vehicle. That's why we are allowing it to be parked in the driveway for 15 years. At the end of 15 years, they should be out of the front yards," said Mrs. Heck. "Frankly, I would like to see all of them in back yards tomorrow morning."

Bill Burns, 4319 Greenbriar, a spokesman for RV owners, said he preferred a previous proposal that would have allowed RVs up to 26 feet in length in the front yards. And the 15-year limit means the council is "eliminating RVs over a period of time. Recreational vehicles are here to stay."

"If you don't have room to put it in a backyard, it creates a hardship," Burns said of some people who pay to store their RV elsewhere. "If they're on our own private property, why not?"

BUDGET

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O'Neill said earlier on Tuesday that he was "in cement" against any form of limit on Social Security benefits — just as Reagan had indicated he was "in cement" against including new taxes in any budget compromise.

Participants in several White House meetings on the budget have said Reagan voiced support for a defense spending level that would, in essence, be a middle ground between the House and Senate bills.

Byrd, the Senate Democratic leader, said that at the Tuesday evening session, Reagan suggested the possibility of a six-month freeze on Social Security benefits. "The president saw the handwriting on the wall" and backed away from the proposal, Byrd claimed.

Dole said that, if a compromise was to be struck, one possibility was

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political will and consensus will come from that is necessary to enact any plan big enough to balance the books — or even substantially close the gap."

Like all of his actions in office, Stockman's resignation brought sharply contrasting reactions from Congress.

"He may be the most brilliant man in government," said Rep. Trent Lott of Mississippi, the assistant Republican leader in the House.

"Stockman will go down in history as creating the largest budget deficit in the history of the world," said Rep. Bill Alexander of Arkansas, chief deputy Democratic whip in the House. "No one ever before has managed such an enormous accumulation of debt."

"He was always so clever and so quick that we just went along with him. And he was misleading us at every turn," said Sen. Ernest F. Hollings, D-S.C., chairman of the Budget Committee before Reagan's 1966 victory swept Republicans into control of the Senate.

"Stockman's cleverness just didn't

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Correction

In the Friday, July 5 edition of the Reporter-Telegram, Lael Cordes was incorrectly identified as director of the Permian Basin Center for Battered Women. Ms. Cordes is with Casa de Amigos. Quotes attributed to Ms. Cordes were statements from a spokesman for the center, not Casa de Amigos. The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

Clarification

A listing of court records which ran June 30 included Mike Espinoza in a list of people indicted on narcotics charges. This referred to Michael Cruz Espinoza, also known as "Slack," of 917 N. Dallas. It did not refer to Miguel "Mike" Covarrubias Espinoza, 1120 E. Pine.

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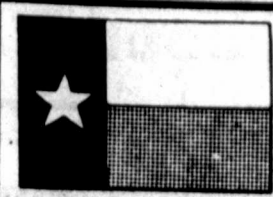
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Teachers seek to make the grade to be chosen for space shuttle

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Ten teachers competing for a single seat on a space shuttle flight believe they each have unique talents, but are puzzled about the "magic formula" NASA will use to make the final selection late this month.

"I wish I knew the magic formula," said Niki Mason Wenger, a Parkersburg, W. Va. teacher. "At this point we're all pretty equal."

The 10 are undergoing physical examinations and preflight training this week at the Johnson Space Center. They will assemble later this month in Washington for a crucial 45-minute final interview with a National Aeronautics and Space Administration committee that will choose a prime candidate and backup for a 6-day ride on space shuttle Challenger next January.

The finalists are survivors from a selection process that started with 42,000 applicants. That number was cut to 118 by state and territorial committees, and the ten finalists were then named by NASA.

All 10 said Tuesday they had prepared, in their own way, for that crucial interview with the NASA committee, but the process of the final decision still is a mystery to them.

"I don't think there is anything we could do now to enhance our chances," said Robert S. Foerster, 34, a West Lafayette, Ind. elementary teacher.

Foerster said, though, he worked furiously to prepare for the first two rounds of competition.

"I asked people to join my space team," he said. Friends and colle-



Peggy Lathlaen

Baltimore, believes her life of adventure gives her "a real edge in the selection process."

She has climbed mountains in the Andes and Himalayas, gone on an East African safari and sailed across the Atlantic on a 31-foot boat.

"I'm used to traveling with others in small places," she said. "The cabin on the boat was smaller than the middeck (on the space shuttle)."

Peggy J. Lathlaen, 34, a Friendswood, Texas, elementary teacher, believes her ability "to apply problem solving skills to communicating the space experience" is her big advantage.

Richard A. Methia, 40, a New Bedford, Mass., high school teacher, believes his writing skills will earn him a seat on the shuttle.

He recently published an article in Newsweek, has sold fiction to a teen magazine and satire to the National Review. He's keeping a detailed journal of his experience in the NASA selection.

"I started out with just a small notebook because I didn't expect to get this far," said Methia. "But now it's up to 45 pages and I hope to have lots more."

Judith Marie Garcia is fluent in English, French and Spanish and believes her language skills gives her an advantage the others lack.

"I could carry out communications about my space experience on an international basis," she said. Mrs. Garcia, 44, teaches Spanish and French at Thomas Jefferson High School in Alexandria, Va., and has studied in Europe.

gues, Foerster said, would fire questions at him to help him practice for the state and NASA committee interviews.

Each of the 10 said they believed that had a unique quality that give them "an edge" for the final choice.

"I want to de-mystify NASA and space flight," said Sharon McAuliffe, 36, a Concord, N.H., high school teacher. "The astronauts are not really connecting with the average student in the classroom. I want students to see and understand the special perspective of space and relate it to them."

Kathleen Anne Beres, 36, a teacher in Kenwood High School in

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Father says life goes on despite Foote's escape

ALVARADO (AP) — The father of a 13-year-old girl who was kidnapped by a man now loose from jail said he is taking precautions to protect his family but that life goes on.

Don McNeil, a 9-mm Colt pistol stuck in his blue jeans, Tuesday offered a \$2,000 reward for the capture of the convicted kidnapper who escaped from Johnson County Jail last week.

McNeil said he would pay the money for information leading to the arrest of James Wesley Foote, 34, who was sentenced in March to life in prison for kidnapping McNeil's daughter, Amy.

The girl was rescued by law enforcement officers 2 1/2 days later. "I want the man caught," said McNeil. He said he began carrying the gun after Foote escaped July 4.

McNeil said that at least three sheriff's deputies are posted on his ranch around the clock.

But despite the gun and the guards, he said it's almost business as usual at the McNeil household and at McNeil Enterprises, the company he runs in a red barn about 200 yards from the two-story house.

"I've heard reports that we're hiding out, but we're going right on with our lives," McNeil said. "Amy's a calm little girl. She's taking it all in stride. It doesn't appear to have her very upset."

McNeil said he doesn't know whether Foote would try to harm his family.

"He's been crazy enough to do those other things," McNeil said. "If he harbors any hatred against my family...we just did what he had to do to gain Amy's safe release. But I can't crawl into his head and know what he's thinking."

Plane lands on Austin highway, crashes into car

AUSTIN (AP) — Two people were hurt when a single-engine plane crash-landed into their car on a busy highway, but Austin officials say the incident could have been far worse.

"We could have had an explosion on impact with all that aviation gas. We were just real fortunate there wasn't any fire. He was cool enough to cut all of his power off. That eliminated the danger of a fire," Austin Fire Department Capt. Floyd Barker said.

Pilot David Kemp of Plano was headed back to Austin's Robert Mueller Municipal Airport Tuesday after the engine quit on his plane, according to Barker. The plane and the car collided as Kemp put the plane down on U.S. 290 in east-central Austin, about one mile north of the airport, he said.

"I thought I was dead," said Kemp, who was in Austin on business. "I couldn't find a place to put down. All I saw were houses and buildings. Then I saw the roadway and headed for there."

Kemp said he has been flying for a year and has 80 hours as a pilot. He said he was flying at an altitude of 2,000 feet when the plane's engine suddenly failed.

"There's not much you can do without an engine," Kemp said. "The takeoff is the most dangerous part of the flight. You hope and pray nothing like this will ever happen. I'm just grateful I was able to walk away."

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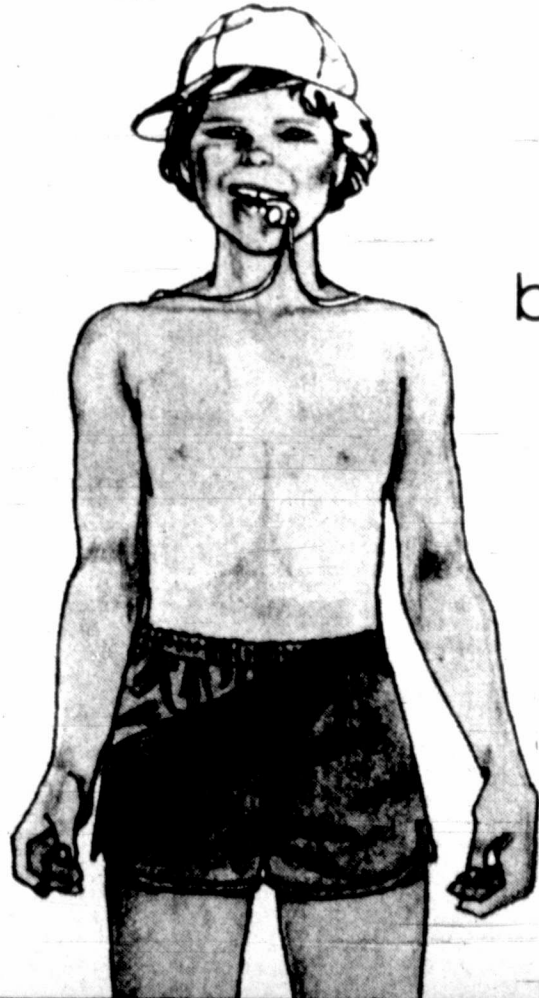
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Second opinions could save money

By JOAN MOWER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The government's major health providers, Medicaid and Medicare, could save \$100 million in 1986 if patients were required to have a second opinion before undergoing elective surgery, a congressional office says.

The Congressional Budget Office estimated a mandatory second opinion program would slash \$20 million from Medicaid, which covers poor people, and \$80 million from Medicare, which is for the elderly.

However, the CBO said last week that its figures for Medicare were only rough estimates and the savings might be higher.

The figures were prepared for Sen. John Heinz, R-Pa., chairman of a Senate Special Committee on Aging. Heinz, along with Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, recently introduced legislation requiring Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries to obtain a second opinion before undergoing certain elective surgery.

"A mandatory second opinion will save many older Americans from the personal trauma and risk of unnecessary surgery," Heinz said in a prepared statement.

Older people are particularly at risk from unnecessary surgery, said Heinz, adding that some figures show Americans over 65 are subjected to 80 percent more operations than those under that age.

"For those older Americans, the physical risks associated with an operation are compounded with the increase in age," Heinz said.

Unpublished data released by Heinz' aging commit-

tee indicate a number of surgeries may be unnecessary, including: between 17 percent and 43 percent of hemorrhoidectomies; between 23 percent and 36 percent of cataract surgeries; between 27 percent and 32 percent of knee surgeries; between 14 percent and 29 percent of prostate surgeries; and between 5 percent and 28 percent of hernia repairs.

Besides health risks, surgery is expensive to the individual and to the federal health care programs, which paid out \$20 billion for operations in 1984, Heinz said.

To back up his position, Heinz has the support of Richard Kusserow, the inspector general of the Department of Health and Human Services. In a letter to Heinz, Kusserow said, "I fully support your efforts to bring about a mandatory second opinion program."

The inspector general noted that the department had financed several studies on second opinions and encourages all patients to get them prior to elective surgery.

But Kusserow said the department's Health Care Financing Administration, which oversees the Medicare and Medicaid programs, does not favor mandatory second opinions.

Rather, the administration is seeking to stem the problem of unnecessary surgery by having professional review organizations review a doctor's decision to operate.

The administration believe doctors will be less inclined to operate if they know they'll be scrutinized by their peers.

But Kusserow said he is convinced that professional review organizations do not eliminate the need for mandatory second opinions for Medicare patients.

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Vintage planes let pilots fly by 'seat of their pants'

By PRESTON LERNER
Associated Press

DENTON — A fragile-looking biplane skids through deep puddles and trundles along the lush grass of a pasture north of Denton, its engine laboring for the speed to propel it beyond gravity's grasp and into the overcast skies.

The ancient craft slowly gathers speed when suddenly, improbably, at a pace lethargic even by the standards of automobiles, a gap appears between the front wheels and the grass and the plane is wondrously aloft.

With the faint grumble of the engine drifting across the field, the plane climbs past treetops and pirouettes on its left wing to fly across the grass runway, hundreds of feet higher on this return run, and reach for the horizon.

The scene evokes images of an earlier era, when human flight still seemed to be the stuff of magic and fliers themselves belonged in that pantheon of demigods blessed with mystical powers.

But this pilot, Larry Strain, is no barnstormer flying by the seat of his pants and the grace of the not-so-benevolent god of aviators. He holds a commercial pilot's rating and works for the American Airlines Training Corp.

When he puts on his dated flying cap and cranks up the 1930s-vintage Stampe S.V.4, the plane flown by Tom Selleck in "High Road to China," Strain relives a slice of aviation history and immerses himself in a tradition that dates back to an age before instruments more complicated than an altimeter.

"You get into the cockpit of the Marchetti (a modern plane) and close the canopy and you're in a little envelope," ground crew member Pat Clark said. "This way, you feel the wind and you smell the engine. It's a lot more exciting."

Strain and Clark are vice presidents of the Fighting Air Command, an organization touted by its members as the only aviation museum in the world to fly both World War I and World War II airplanes.

Now 140 members strong, the Fighting Air Command was created in 1983 to preserve some of aviation's grandest memories by continuing to fly the planes that are the source of much of its history.

Last year, group members attended or gave 26 air shows across the country. This year, they have opened a museum that eventually will include 17 planes — including the first B-25 ever accepted by the Army Air Corps — and a wealth of memorabilia.

The group recently moved its operations to Hartlee Field, a training base during World War II, northeast of Denton, in accordance with its goal of operating rare historic aircraft at an original Army airfield.

Since moving to Hartlee, command members have erased traces of its former use as a soaring field in



AP Laserphoto

Larry Strain poses in his biplane at Hartlee Field, Denton.

the 1960s and, more recently, a base for ultralight aircraft.

Markings on the two hangars have been touched up with special mixtures of paint designed to give the appearance of old age. The old parachute tower still stands. The gas pump still is emblazoned with a red Pegasus.

The ghosts of airmen — some 4,000 Army Air Corps pilots who graduated between 1941 and 1943 and two who died — surely cannot be far away. But the most tangible evidence of the past, of course, is the planes themselves.

Some of them — a B-25 "Mitchell" bomber, an SNJ-5 "Texan" trainer, a T-28C "Trojan" trainer, a TBM-3E "Avenger" torpedo bomber and a SF-260 Marchetti fighter/trainer — aren't based at Hartlee, because they have trouble when rain turns the grass runways into mud.

But the World War I hangar at Hartlee houses three Fokker D. VIIIs — generally considered to be the finest German fighter of the war — and two Pfalz D.IIIIs. The group expects delivery of four S.E.5s, a Fokker Dr.I — the triplane flown by Baron von Richthofen — and a Caudron C.277 "Luciole."

Strain said the planes and parts owned by the organization, all purchased funded by donations, are valued at more than \$1 million.

The World War I-type planes, aside from the Luciole, aren't actually originals but are replicas built to original specifications in Ireland for the filming of "The Blue Max" and "Thoroughly Modern Millie."

Although the manufacturers substituted metal tubing for wooden frames and modern Dacron for the original fabric, the planes still look awfully fragile to observers used to metal-hulled 747s.

Strain, however, said they're surprisingly strong and agile. The key, he said, is that the engines produce a relatively small amount of horsepower while the twin wings provide a substantial amount of lift.

He said, for instance, that he's been able to loop the Stampe without difficulty. "There's so much lift that you pull only a G and a half, which you'll pull in a fast turn in a modern aircraft," he said.



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States push to collect delinquent child-support payments

By ROBERT PEAR
New York Times News Service

WASHINGTON — States across the country are passing laws to crack down on parents who fail to pay child support.

The laws give judges and other state officials stronger tools to enforce orders requiring parents who live apart from their children to contribute to their support.

Among the new measures are provisions for seizing income tax refunds or withholding wages from people who fall too far behind on child support.

"There is a tremendous amount of activity in state legislatures addressing the issue this year," said

Fred Schutzman, the deputy director of the Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement.

The activity reflects state efforts to conform to a federal statute setting standards for child support programs. The statute was approved unanimously by Congress last August, with strong support from the Reagan administration.

A major purpose of the federal law was to assist the growing number of children who live in one-parent households. In signing the measure, President Reagan said it would extend a "helping hand" to children who had been abandoned by the father.

In 1983, according to the Census Bureau, 13.3 million children, or 22 percent of all children, lived in sin-

gle-parent homes. Most of them live with the mother, but "about 5 percent of the people from whom we collect child support are women," Schutzman said.

While some states had already taken steps to strengthen their child support laws, no state was completely in compliance with the federal standards last year. Now, Schutzman said, at least 19 states appear to be in compliance with all the major federal requirements.

Measures in those and other states establish procedures under which courts order an employer to withhold money from an employee's wages to pay child support. Officials said this was the most powerful of the new tools for enforcing child support obligations.

In the past, judges in some states had discretion to decide when such withholding should take place. Under the new laws, it is required whenever a parent falls in arrears by an amount equal to the child support payable for one month. This might happen if, for example, the parent missed one month's payment or repeatedly paid less than the full amount over a period of several months.

Before withholding takes effect, the employee must generally be given notice and an opportunity to challenge it.

The amount withheld is sent to a court or a state agency for distribution to the child and the parent who has custody of the child.

Other laws being adopted by vir-

tually all the states authorize state officials to seize income tax refunds to offset prior child support obligations that were not paid.

Many states are also adopting special procedures to speed up the handling of child support cases, through use of a referee, magistrate or hearing examiner.

Federal officials said the problem of non-compliance with child support orders was as serious among affluent parents as among poor families. "Studies show that non-compliance is equal whether you are making \$10,000 or \$50,000 a year," Schutzman said.

Fewer than half the fathers covered by child support orders comply fully, according to the Census Bureau and other researchers.

In the last fiscal year, the federal government helped states collect \$2.4 billion in child support, of which \$1 billion was for families receiving welfare benefits and \$1.4 billion was for other families. The average amount collected for the 646,000 welfare families was \$1,548 last year, and the average for the 547,000 nonwelfare families was \$2,514.

Schutzman said these states appeared to have the major provisions required by the federal government: Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont and Virginia.

Willed money keeps youths from trouble

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — The people who came to know Vito "Barney" Petraitis in the final months of his life called him a noble hero, a gentle, witty man who touched the lives of those around him.

But Petraitis had a past. A murder he committed when he was 19 haunted him until his death from cancer a week ago.

"I learned to love the little guy," said Levy County Sheriff Pat Hartley, who first met Petraitis in April when the frail 73-year-old came to his office in Bronson.

Petroitis told the sheriff that he wanted to donate his life savings of \$100,000 to help youngsters stay out of trouble. The money was given to the Florida Sheriff's Youth Fund and will be called the Vito Petraitis Endowment Fund.

"I was really shocked," the sheriff said in an interview. "He looked like an ordinary guy who didn't have much."

Petroitis lived a frugal existence in a small mobile home near Bronson, his only possessions a truck and a collection of books and music.

"After we talked awhile, I told him I wanted to make him an honorary sheriff's deputy," Hartley recalled.

Petroitis told the sheriff that he didn't know if that would be appropriate.

"He said, 'When I was young, I killed a person trying to commit an armed robbery.'"

On July 11, 1931, Petraitis and his cousin, Tony Klim, 21, shot and killed a Windsor, Conn., grocer in a robbery. Both received death sentences that were later commuted.

Petroitis was freed from prison in 1948 and worked in Connecticut as a baker — a trade he had learned in prison — until his retirement in 1972.

"He saved and saved and saved. He denied himself comforts during his lifetime so he could save money to help young people," Hartley said.

Ed Waldron, vice president for financial development for the Florida Sheriff's Youth Fund, said he was impressed by Petraitis' wisdom and gentleness.

"This man definitely was in control of himself and his life. He was a very gentle person. It was very difficult to relate that the person I was talking to had his past," Waldron said.

Because of his criminal background, Petraitis was afraid his donation to the youth fund would be refused, Waldron said.

"He said the donation was to fulfill a promise he had made to himself" to help youngsters from making the same mistakes he had, said Waldron.

"This guy was a real hero for me. He had a certain sense of nobility," he said. "He left a real impression on me."

With the help of Waldron, Hartley and Ed Blackburn, a former state legislator and Hillsborough County sheriff, Petraitis was able to regain the civil rights he lost when he went to prison.

On June 18, Gov. Bob Graham and the Cabinet voted to restore Petraitis' rights. Waldron drove to the elderly man's home to tell him.

"He held the order in front of him. He must have looked at it for a minute and then he said, 'Oh, my,'" Waldron recalled.

A few hours later the elderly man was admitted to Williston Memorial Hospital.

Hospital administrator Dave Kendall said Petraitis received cancer treatment for several days before his condition improved. He was allowed to go home June 28. A neighbor who had helped care for Petraitis was at his bedside when he died the evening of June 30.

The sheriff said he had been concerned about Petraitis' salvation and had given him a book about the 23rd Psalm.

"I talked to him about his eternal affairs. I told him what he had done showed that he had a soul and a life after this," Hartley said.

Hartley also asked Petraitis, who'd already said he wanted to be cremated, how he wanted his remains to be disposed of.

"I suggested the Suwannee River that runs through the Boys Ranch and he said that would be perfect," Hartley said.

Builders seek old trees

YORK, England (AP) — Craftsmen rebuilding the medieval vaulted roof of York Minster, badly damaged by fire a year ago, need at least 20 more 60-foot oak timbers between 200 and 300 years old to complete their work on the cathedral, an official says.

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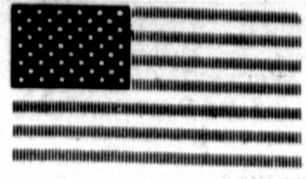
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Justice Powell reluctantly considers retirement from Supreme Court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell reluctantly has been forced to consider the possibility of retirement as he recuperates from two recent surgical operations, sources close to Powell say.

His decision will hinge on how well he recuperates through the summer from last January's surgery for removal of a cancerous prostate and a hernia operation he underwent Monday at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., the sources said.

The sources spoke only on the condition that they not be identified.

Powell, 77, has told people at the court he wants to continue his work as a justice but that the decision will

hinge on his health.

His role through most of his 13 years on the nation's highest court has been that of a "majority maker" — a key swing vote in cases that deeply divide the court along ideological lines.

Powell's position at the court's center in its just-completed term led Burt Neuborne, legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union, to call Powell "the most powerful individual in America."

Asked about Powell's latest surgery, Virginia Eggleston, his secretary, said: "The operation was highly successful. His doctors were quite pleased with everything."

Ms. Eggleston said she did not know when Powell would return to

Washington. Following his surgery in January, Powell missed two months of the high court's 1984-85 term.

Sources said Powell's wife, Josephine, has urged him to retire now. They said the justice has considered the possibility of serving as a part-time judge on the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va., when he does retire.

The Powells maintain a home in Richmond, and the justice has returned there each summer since joining the court in 1972 as an appointee of President Nixon.

Powell has not discussed retirement with any of the court's eight other members. He has told people it is "a very private decision."

Two more bodies found near survivalist's cabin

SAN ANDREAS, Calif. (AP) — Investigators redoubled efforts to unearth murder victims in a widened search area after discovering two more decomposing bodies, raising to 11 the number found near the cabin linked to Charles Ng and survivalist Leonard Lake.

found, said sheriff's spokesman Jim Stenquist. The bodies exhumed Tuesday "have nothing to do with Ng," Stenquist said.

Authorities have linked at least 22 dead or missing people to the investigation, which was broadened to include a search within five miles of the mountain cabin 130 miles north-east of San Francisco, where Lake planned to survive a nuclear war.

Calaveras County district attorneys planned to decide today whether to prosecute Ng on two counts of murder relating to two of the first nine bodies that were

manhunt, is charged with attempted murder in the shooting of a Canadian security guard. He told investigators that Lake was responsible for crimes committed at the California compound where searchers have found 11 bodies and 40 pounds of bones.

The decomposing bodies removed Tuesday were in sleeping bags buried about 18 inches deep some 80 feet off a winding road that ends in an isolated Sierra region known as Blue Mountain, police said.

NATION IN BRIEF

Meese blasts high court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Edwin Meese blasted the Supreme Court for what he called "somewhat bizarre" decisions and claimed the justices have strayed from the tenets of the U.S. Constitution.

In a ringing attack on the court Tuesday, Meese also accused the justices of acting in an "ad hoc fashion."

"Far too many of the court's opinions were, on the whole, more policy choices than articulations of constitutional principle," Meese told an American Bar Association audience.

He said the court's recent decisions affirming a strict separation of

church and state "would have struck the founding generation as somewhat bizarre."

Meese decision denounced

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's daughter Maureen is denouncing as "just patently absurd" a decision by Attorney General Edwin Meese to hold up a \$625,000 grant to a group that operates shelters for battered women.

Meese decided to review the grant to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence after he received a letter from several conservative congressmen asserting that the coalition advocates lesbianism.

"That's the same kind of problem

that we've had over the years by people who refer to shelters for battered women as R & R (rest and relaxation) centers for bored housewives," Ms. Reagan said Tuesday.

Local NAACPs apologize

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Local chapters of the NAACP apologized to pop stars Michael Jackson, Lionel Richie, Tina Turner, Diana Ross and Prince after an official of the organization claimed the performers failed to hire minorities.

The in-house dispute started last week with a newspaper interview of NAACP regional coordinator Melanie Lomax.

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Welcome home

It's been a long time in coming, but — maybe — some of the pain in this country over the Vietnam War finally is beginning to ease, 10 years after the fact.

That was evident in the reaction of onlookers at Midland's Centennial Parade last Thursday when veterans of the war passed in the procession. There were no hecklers in the crowds mocking the veterans. There were no clashes between police and war protesters. There were no draft-card burners. There were none of the distractions that two decades ago diverted the American public's attention from the reality of the situation in Southeast Asia. There was, rather, only respect — respect for the veterans and respect for the service they gave to this nation.

In recent years the veterans of the Vietnam War have been taking their case to the American public, lobbying for a degree of the respect they earned but were denied in far too many instances. Now there's a memorial to the American Vietnam War dead in Washington, D.C., and even that monument evoked controversy. The years have saved the wounds of a lot of Americans — Americans who opposed the war and who, somehow, twisted their hatred of warfare into disrespect for those brave young men who answered the call of duty, fought and died in Vietnam. How? How

could any self-respecting nation of people forget that those Americans in the rice paddies and the jungles were not the aggressors in the war but merely the instruments with which the war was waged? How could the Americans safe at home forget that those haunting faces in the evening newspaper and television screen were not nameless "soldiers of fortune" but the boys across the street who used to date their daughter and play football on the high school team? They had no choice whether to be there or any discretion in how the war was waged; they merely heeded their nation's call and — in more than 52,000 cases — paid the ultimate sacrifice.

The Vietnam War drove a stake through this nation's heart when it allowed the American people to cast aside their feelings of pride and admiration for all those who were willing to lay down their own selfish interests and, instead, to fight for this nation whether right or wrong, to shed their blood for their countrymen. Forgetting those young men and their role in the war was a tragic mistake and one Americans must not make again. It came late, but the "welcome home" unfolded for Vietnam veterans in Midland's Centennial Parade is a start down the long road of reconciliation. Welcome home, veterans! Bless you for your courage.

Another View:

Mischievous move

With the encouragement of President Reagan, some members of Congress are working to clear the way for a second *contras* front, extending the battle against Marxist rulers from Nicaragua to Angola. This is a reckless and unwise move, certain to do more harm than good.

The Senate already has approved legislation that would lift the legislative prohibition on U.S. aid to UNITA, the guerrilla force battling the Marxist government of Angola. Some Republicans in the House, fearful that the Senate initiative may not survive a conference committee, plan a similar action as an amendment to the foreign-aid bill.

This mischievous move is being encouraged by the administration just as Reagan personally encouraged a conclave last month of anti-communist guerrillas meeting at a rebel encampment in Angola. Both initiatives are serving once again to divert the nations of Southern Africa from the priorities of getting on with independence for Namibia and bringing concerted pressure on South Africa to end its apartheid policy. And they are serving to cloud the American commitment against terrorism and the rule of violence.

The congressional sponsors' motivation is ideological. They seem to see any Marxist government as an instrument of Soviet policy, as the enemy of America. And they see Angola, like Nicaragua, as particularly menacing because both are hosts to Cuban forces. They ignore the fact that the U.S.-supported *contras* in Nicaragua, like the South African-sponsored UNITA guerrillas

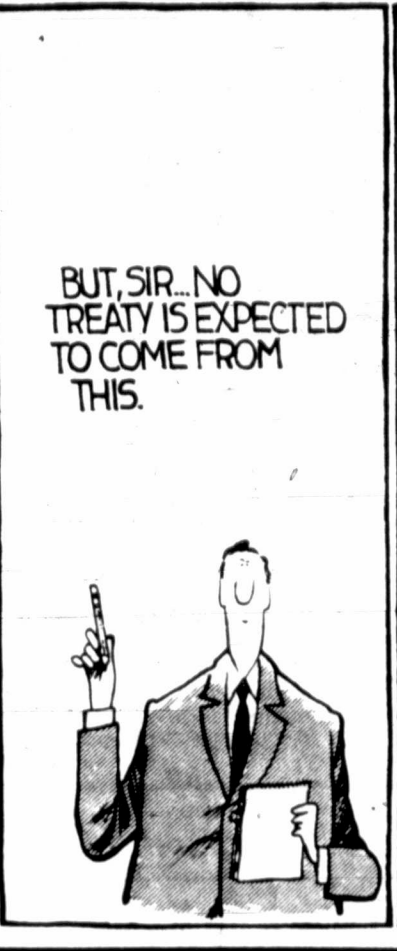
in Angola, are the principal justification used by the Marxist rulers of Nicaragua and Angola for maintaining Cuban forces. And they risk weakening regional peace efforts, as they did last month when they opened the way for a resumption of assistance, albeit not arms, to the Nicaraguan insurgents.

Administration officials defend their support of lifting restrictions on covert aid to UNITA in Angola as a matter of principle, saying that they support all legislative action that eliminates restrictions on the ability of the president to pursue foreign-policy objectives. There are no current plans for aid to UNITA, according to the State Department.

The legislative initiative follows the president's message last month to Lewis E. Lehrman, the New York Republican who was an organizer of the meeting of leaders of UNITA as well as guerrillas from Nicaragua, Afghanistan and Laos. Reagan praised them for struggling "to free their nations from outside domination and an alien ideology," and added: "Their goals are our goals."

That was a threat. It was a call to arms on three continents. It was a marshaling of CIA intervention around the world. If the president was serious, he needs to explain the details to Congress. If he was posturing, Congress would be wise to leave the legislative restrictions on guerrilla aid in place, just as it has maintained the ban on arms for the *contras* in Nicaragua.

— The Los Angeles Times



JACK ANDERSON AID 'hid' dangers of IUD

WASHINGTON — Between the Agency for International Development and the A.H. Robins Co., a total of 1.7 million Dalkon Shield intrauterine devices were shipped to 79 foreign countries in the early 1970s.

But did the women who used them get the word about the Shield's potential dangers, which caused Robins to take it off the market in 1974? Some grim statistics suggest the answer: 13,000 users of the 2.8 million shields sold in the United States have filed personal injury claims against Robins; only 29 lawsuits have been filed as a result of the 1.7 million exported devices.

Neither AID nor the manufacturer was in any great hurry to warn foreign users of the shield — mainly Third World women — that the contraceptive could cause fatal infection and should be removed immediately.

It wasn't until 1980 that Robins recommended removal and AID sent a cable to its 67 overseas missions warning of the shield's dangers and urging a removal program. Fewer than half of the foreign governments subsequently responded to the warning.

Of those that did, 13 reported that shield users had already been "informed of the side effects and removal from the clients was done during 1975-78," according to an AID document. They had learned of the

device's dangers from international population organizations. Belated as AID's action may seem, it was lightninglike compared to the manufacturer's response to the possibility of an international medical disaster. It was only late last year that Robins sent letters to the ambassadors of the 79 countries in which shields had been sold by the company or distributed by AID. The letters described the company's plan to pay for removal of all Dalkon Shields still in use in the United States, and asked what action would be appropriate in the ambassadors' countries. So far, only four countries have asked for Robins' help.

AID's effort to solve the Dalkon Shield problem, meanwhile, began in December 1974 — six months after Robins took them off the market — when it occurred to someone in the agency that large numbers of the devices were stockpiled overseas.

AID recalled them all, eventually getting refunds for about 300,000. This, of course, did nothing to protect the thousands of women who were, as far as anyone at AID knew, still using their shields.

About a year after the recall order, an AID official reported confidently that "all known worldwide stocks of Dalkon Shields have either been returned ... or have, at the manufacturer's instructions, been destroyed."

As it turned out, this was not true. Col. Russel Thomsen, a gynecologist on loan to AID from the Army, was in El Salvador recently and heard rumors of a stock of unused shields. Salvadoran officials denied it, but Thomsen and an official of the Centers for Disease Control searched a warehouse and found 7,000 of the devices. Thomsen had them shipped back to this country for destruction. Thomsen also reported "a hint

that isolated insertions (of the device) continued until 1978" despite the recall order of 1974.

AID teams will travel to Costa Rica, Kenya and Tanzania — the largest recipients of Dalkon Shields who failed to respond to AID's warning questionnaires — in hopes of tracking down overlooked stocks and women who are still using the device. But Thomsen told our associate Vicki Warren he is doubtful that all the shield users will ever be found.

Footnote: Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., chairman of the subcommittee on criminal justice, will examine whether the suppression of safety information about a product violates criminal law. He will use the Dalkon Shield incident as a case study.

PERSONAL DIPLOMACY: Laird Busse is a man with a mission. Severely wounded as a Marine in Vietnam, he was a physical and psychological wreck when discharged in 1967. But the 40-year-old San Francisco resident says he has improved recently by bathing in water laced with salt from Israel's Dead Sea. Busse says the pain from his spinal injuries has receded to the point where he can not only walk, but run.

Busse's hope was to take some of the therapeutic salt to the late Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev as a "token of peace." "I saw that he was ailing just as I was," Busse explains. He'd still like to make the trip, even though the new Soviet boss, Mikhail Gorbachev, is apparently physically fit. So far, the Soviets have been cool to Busse's one-man goodwill mission.

Jack Anderson is a syndicated columnist who along with Joseph Spear and Dale Van Atta writes this column for United Feature Syndicate.

FLORA LEWIS Bridging the gap at the summit

NICE, France — Now that President Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, have made a date in Geneva, planning can begin in earnest.

Clearly, this cannot be the "carefully prepared" summit both sides have sometimes sought as a precondition, in the sense that there isn't time for the precise and intricate negotiations needed to draft a major treaty. And it is true that a poorly written treaty creates serious risks.

Americans experienced in bargaining with the Russians point out that Moscow's usual approach to applying agreements is to make full use of loopholes and ambiguities. The result, if definitions are less than exact and perfectly lucid, is to increase suspicion and recrimination instead of fulfilling the purpose of easing tensions.

That certainly developed from the 1972 Nixon-Brezhnev accord, which was the heart of d'entente. Instead of establishing general rules of superpower conduct as was supposed at the time, its loose terms were interpreted in flatly contradictory ways by each side.

There are other reasons for the collapse of d'entente, of course. But invoking expectations doomed to disappointment makes an inevitably difficult relationship much harder to manage. Moscow thought U.S. acceptance of strategic "parity" meant recognition of the quality in all senses: political, economic, even psychological. That was not only far beyond American intentions, it was beyond America's capacity to assure.

The U.S. thought Moscow had accepted constraints on its ambitions to bring Communists to power in other parts of the world. That would imply a change in Soviet ideology and the fundamentals of its regime, which may or may not come some day but obviously will not derive from a mere declaratory agreement.

To work effectively, accords must reflect currently perceived mutual interest. They do not create trust out of primeval mire. They can only express shared need, essentially to reduce the dangers of superpower war.

But the fact that there is no prospect of a dramatic reversal in East-West relations at the summit does not mean it would be a mere courtesy call where two men meet to show their amiability. It cannot avoid being a milestone after six years of deterioration. The mere fact of the meeting engages the apparatus of each government and marks a new departure to define what is tolerable, what should be considered "normal" in Soviet-U.S. relations.

Reagan had already planned to launch himself on a special cram course of Soviet studies, and that now becomes an urgent priority. No matter how affable the partners, it is evident in every official Soviet-American exchange that minds work differently. The Russians have just as much trouble grasping the assumptions that underlie American ways of thought as we have figuring out the mechanisms that move their secretive society.

It is better to be aware of that and not leap to conclusions about basic understanding, whether of friendliness or hostility, because of words and images. This is a point where Reagan's skill in image-making and modern America's audio-visual obsession can be a handicap, not an advantage.

What is needed now is a sense of architecture, of design for the long term so that not only the two giants but the whole world can get on with

the problems of the age in a certain sense of security. It isn't just smiling spectacle.

Both sides have already said they seek strategic stability. Neither quite believes the other doesn't really mean military domination. This is not a matter of some devious master plan. The lessons that the Soviet military establishment drew from World War II, still the source of its basic doctrine, were "never again to be taken by surprise, never again on our territory."

As West European analysts point out, "acceptance would mean if war were to come, we would be the ones to be surprised, and on our territory." By such a definition, the goals of strategic stability are incompatible for both sides.

The task then has to be an attempt to work out what stability means in a way both can accept. So far, the focus has been on missile counting, and the results have been disappointing, to say the least. An agreement in principle that arsenals are already much too high for anyone's safety could be a start toward a new search for balance.

Further, it is evident that balance must include defense as well as offense. That principle should be reaffirmed. It doesn't mean abandoning Reagan's wish to rely more on defense than on offense, which may or may not prove feasible. But it does mean full acceptance of the linkage.

Removal of the Soviet Union's veteran foreign minister, Andrei Gromyko, from direct negotiating responsibility may signal greater willingness to explore new approaches on Moscow's side. In any case, the chances for making Geneva turn out to be a watershed depend on trying to look well beyond the moment, with hope but without illusions.

Flora Lewis is a syndicated columnist for New York Times News Service.

LETTERS

'Welcome' pleasant

I would like to offer my sincerest thanks and appreciation to the City of Midland and the citizens of the Permian Basin for their "Welcome Home" for the Vietnam veterans in the Fourth of July and Midland Centennial Parade recently in Midland. The warmth and applause of the citizens gave these veterans the most important thing they could have received from their countrymen — purpose. After numerous conversations with the veterans, both before and after the parade, it was genuinely felt by all that they did serve a valuable purpose to this country by answering the call to duty and their hometown showed this appreciation.

In its usual style, Midland turned out to show the veterans and each other that the current wave of patriotism in this country is well and alive in Midland, Texas. The Vietnam veterans salute Midland and all of the Permian Basin for the honor they were afforded while marching in the parade.

I personally would like to thank everyone who worked very hard to make this a success, to include the Vietnam veterans, the United States Marine Corps Recruiting office in Odessa, the United States Army Color Guard, the National Guard and Army Reserve, Post 19 American Legion of Midland and the Ladies Auxiliary of Post 19 American Legion.

My special thanks go to Robert E. O'Malley, former sergeant, United States Marine Corps and Congressional Medal of Honor recipient from the Vietnam War, whom I was honored to walk beside during the parade and to all my fellow Marines in the Permian Detachment, Marine Corps League who made all of this possible.

M.C. Sherrard
National Vice Commandant
Southern Division
Marine Corps League

Parade gave pride, honor

I was one of those fortunate many who attended the Centennial Parade on July Fourth. The entire parade was simply first rate and everyone involved in putting it together should know that all Midlanders are indebted to them for their hard work and creativity. What a tremendous day to celebrate our 100th birthday!

I always feel proud and patriotic on July Fourth, but standing there Thursday watching that parade brought an even more heightened feeling of patriotism. And the reason? It was that group of American Vietnam veterans. As everyone arose with respect and thanksgiving for what they did for us, I felt pride and sadness. Pride for how these men put their lives on the line so that I could continue to watch July Fourth parades and sadness that it had taken over 10 years for these feelings to come forth. But I could see it as they moved toward me — people on both sides of the street rising to their feet to say thank you and God bless you or maybe even, I'm sorry.

As far as I am concerned, that July Fourth spectacular was not only for Midland but for all those brave guys who gave more than their share.

Mark K. Leaverton
Midland

'Reception' appreciated

We Vietnam veterans greatly appreciated the tremendous reception and applause awarded us throughout the Centennial-Fourth of July parade route. Thank you, Midland; it made us feel great.

Leading our group was a real American hero, Robert O'Malley. Bob is a Congressional Medal of Honor winner who received this distinguished award for his Vietnam service in 1965. He flew in from his home in New York City to march with us and we thank him for this and his great service to our country.

A.D. James
Midland

Column opinions not always ours

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Readers whose views differ from our own editorials or those columnists whose writings appear on this page are invited to express their opinions in our "Letters to the Editor" column published each Sunday and frequently during the week.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, July 10, the 191st day of 1985. There are 174 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: Sixty years ago — on July 10, 1925 — the official news agency of the Soviet Union, Tass, was established. The letters of its name stand for Telegrafnoye Agentstvo Sovyetskoye Soyuznoye, or The Telegraphic Agency of the Soviet Union.

On this date: In 1852, President Andrew Jackson vetoed legislation to recharter the Second Bank of the United States.

In 1890, Vice President Millard Fillmore succeeded to the presidency following the death of Presi-

dent Zachary Taylor the day before. In 1890, Wyoming became the 44th state of the union.

In 1940, the Battle of Britain began as Nazi forces attacked by air.

In 1951, armistice talks aimed at ending the Korean Conflict began at Kaesong.

In 1962, the Telstar communications satellite was launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla., to relay TV and telephone signals between the United States and Europe.

Ten years ago: Ugandan President Idi Amin freed British lecturer Denis C. Hills, who Amin had threatened to execute for calling the Ugandan dictator a "village tyrant" in an unpublished book.

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Israeli court convicts three Jewish settlers of murder

JERUSALEM (AP) — An Israeli court today convicted three Jewish settlers of murder and 12 other defendants of lesser charges in the year-long trial of alleged members of a Jewish terrorist underground.

The three-man tribunal postponed sentencing of the 15 defendants until later this week or early next week.

All were convicted of involvement in one or more attacks or planned attacks against Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, including an alleged plot to blow up the Moslem shrine of the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem.

The trial, which began in June 1984, was one of the longest and most politically explosive in Israel's history.

The three convicted of murder were Menachem Livni, 35, Shaul Nir, 31, and Uzi Sharbat, 25. The murder charges stemmed from the July 1983 attack at the Islamic University in the West Bank town of Hebron in which three Arabs were killed and 33 others were injured by assailants wielding machineguns and handgrenades.

Livni was considered the ring-leader and was accused of being involved in all the operations.

Israel radio said life imprisonment was automatically imposed on murder charges.

District Court Judge Yaacov Bazak took one hour to read a summary of the verdicts against the 15 defendants, who were considered the core of a loose-knit organization of Jewish extremists who decided to counter Palestinian attacks on Jewish settlers with their own brand of terrorism.

In addition to the three convicted of murder, defendants were found guilty of attempted murder, sabotage, belonging to a terrorist organization, illegal possession of weapons and damage to army property.

Most are settlers from the West Bank and many wore beards and



WORLD

Some of the defendants faced charges of attempted murder for car-bomb attacks on three Palestinian West Bank mayors in June 1980. Two of the mayors, Bassam Shakaa of Nablus and Karim Khalaf of Ramallah, were crippled by the explosions, and an Israeli explosives expert was blinded while trying to dismantle the third bomb.

skullicaps marking them as observant Jews. As the verdicts were read, the defendants sat quietly next to members of their families.

Four were approached by The Associated Press when the court was recessed but refused to comment on their convictions.

Ten other underground members were convicted earlier after plea bargaining for lesser charges. Two army officers were being tried separately and three suspects were still at large.

One of the 10 already sentenced has already been released after serving two-thirds of his 15-month sentence for procuring weapons.

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This attack came shortly after the

murder of six Jewish students in the West Bank city of Hebron.

The conspiracy to blow up the Dome of the Rock was never carried out, but Israeli commentators said that if the plotters had succeeded, it possibly would have caused a holy war pitting the entire Moslem world against Israel.

Discovery of the underground last year triggered a political storm between Israelis who defended their actions as justifiable self-defense and those who condemned the extremists as no different from Arab terrorists.

The debate escalated after Israel freed 1,150 Arabs, some convicted of murder, in exchange for three Israeli soldiers captured by Palestinian guerrillas in Lebanon.

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir of the right-wing Likud bloc which supports the settler movement said after the Arabs were released that charges should be dropped against the Jewish underground defendants or that they should be pardoned.

North Korea: Reagan's speech 'declaration of war'

TOKYO (AP) — North Korea charged today that President Reagan "made a tacit declaration of war" against North Korea and four other countries when he referred to them as a confederation of terrorist states.

Addressing the American Bar Association Monday, Reagan sin-

gled out North Korea, Iran, Cuba, Libya and Nicaragua as states engaged "in acts of war against the government and people of the United States." He added that "any state which is the victim of acts of war has the right to defend itself."

The official North Korean

newspaper Rodong Sinmun responded today, saying, "The recent assertion of Reagan revealed a sinister design to start a brigandish armed invasion of our country and other countries, labeling them as 'terrorists.' This in fact is a tacit declaration of war against them."

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WORLD in brief

Angry bees provoke letters

LONDON (AP) — Bees, angered by a late, wet spring, have disrupted English life and provoked the longest-running debate of the year in The Times' letters column.

Recently, spectators at a championship cricket match near London saw players suddenly start rolling on the ground, swatting their arms wildly to deal with a nasty swarm. On the same day, bees occupied the control tower of a Royal Air Force base in Wales for three hours. The air traffic controllers ran for cover, forcing the cancellation of practice bombing runs.

Oxford University entomologist Chris O'Toole told The Associated Press that an unusually late and wet spring this year had made the insects very bad-tempered.

The first indication of trouble came on June 15, when Lionel Kass of London's Hampstead Garden Suburb appealed in a letter in The Times' letters-to-the-editor column for a way to deal with the bees. The newspaper has published responses almost daily since then.

Bee expert O'Toole said there were no more bees around than normal, but that rain had kept the bees inside their nests this year. When bees cannot go out, the nests heat up, causing larvae to die and accumulate. When conditions become intolerable, the bees go angrily in search of a new home.

House seeks aid freeze

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House is seeking a two-year freeze on foreign aid while voting to earmark \$10 million in military assistance to non-communist and anti-Vietnamese forces inside Cambodia.

The House voted 288-122 for the arms aid on Tuesday after forging a bipartisan compromise that led to a 386-2 decision to hold overall foreign assistance to \$12.7 billion for each of the next two fiscal years.

The amendment, which already has been adopted by the Senate in similar form, marks a step toward greater U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia in the aftermath of the end of the Vietnam war. It authorizes \$5 million annually in aid for the Cambodian rebels over the next two years.

The action to freeze spending for the next two fiscal years at the level agreed on for the fiscal year ending Sept. 31 amounts to a 2.5 percent reduction from the \$13.1 billion recommended by the House Foreign Affairs Committee. The panel had already trimmed \$191 million from President Reagan's original request.

China-U.S. agreement near

WASHINGTON (AP) — After a 14-month delay, the Reagan administration is close to a final agreement with China that would clear the way for the sale of U.S. nuclear reactors and other nuclear technology to the world's largest communist nation, several sources report.

The administration hopes to have the agreement ready for a final signing when Chinese President Li Xian-nian visits Washington July 22.

Congress, which could block the accord, still has to be convinced that the agreement adequately protects American interests and the administration still could decide against approving the agreement if a bruising battle with Congress appears likely, said a State Department official.



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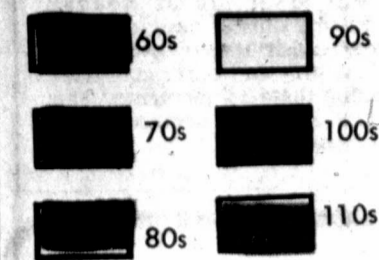


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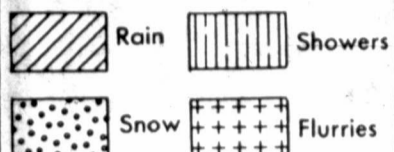
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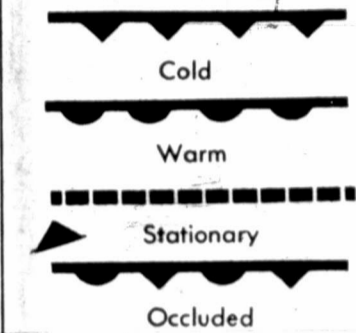
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PRECIPITATION:



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Cloudy skies, hot weather to continue

From Staff and Wire Reports

Midlanders can expect tonight's slight chance of thunderstorms to disappear Thursday but partly cloudy skies and hot temperatures will continue in the Permian Basin area, according to the National Weather Service.

The outlook for tonight calls for partly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and a low in the upper 60s. Light winds are expected to blow from the east.

Partly cloudy skies will continue Thursday as the high warms to the mid-90s and winds become variable at five to 10 mph.

Tuesday's high of 95 was eight degrees below the record set in 1964. This morning's low was two degrees above the 1961 record of 64.

STATE

Showers and a few thundershowers fell this morning across the Texas Panhandle, while light fog formed at McAllen and low clouds hovered over the rest of the Rio Grande Valley and parts of South Central Texas.

Skies were mostly fair across the rest of the state because of a strong high-pressure system aloft that continued to influence the state's weather, the National Weather Service said.

Winds were from the west over the Panhandle, while north to northeast winds were common across the South Plains and Trans Pecos. South to southwest winds prevailed across the rest of the state. Wind speeds were generally in the 5 to 10 mph range.

Isolated thunderstorms were expected in parts of West Texas this afternoon. Otherwise, the Texas weather picture should be fair to partly cloudy through Thursday with hot afternoons and mild nights. Highs were expected to be generally in the 90s most places. A reading of near 104 was anticipated in the Big Bend.

NATION

Drenching thunderstorms rumbled across the nation from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Coast today and high pressure that touched off a western heat wave remained in place.

Strong thunderstorms extended today from the southern Great Lakes through the Ohio Valley to the Atlantic Coast.

Showers and a few thundershowers spread across the central and southern Rockies and coastal sections of the Florida Peninsula.

Fair skies prevailed across the Southeast and northern Plains.

Midland statistics

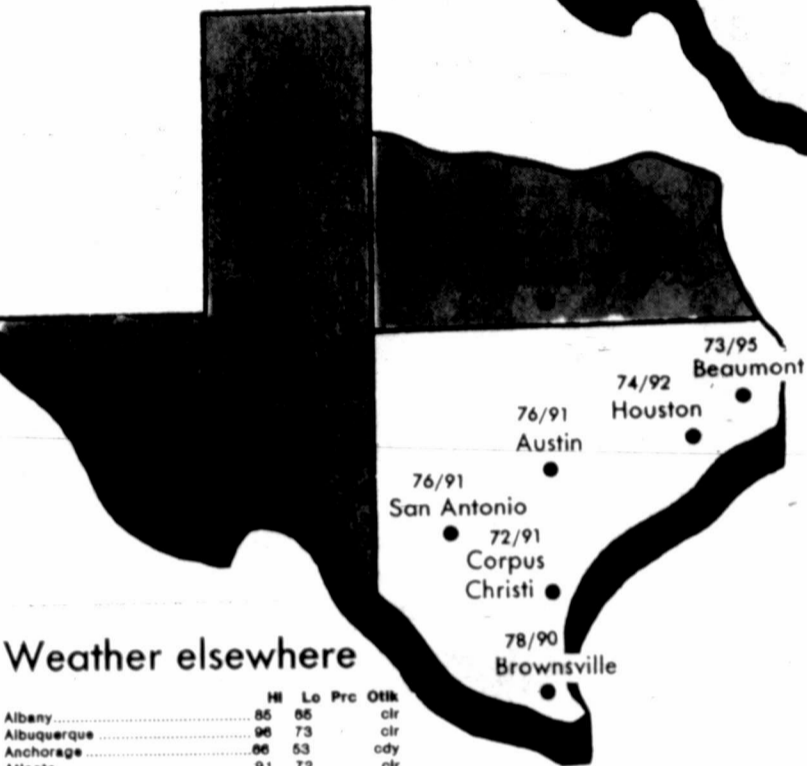
WEATHER FORECAST
Tonight: Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and a low in the upper 60s. Winds will be light from the east. Thursday: Partly cloudy with a high in the mid-90s. Variable winds at five to 10 mph.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:
Yesterday's High: 96 degrees
Overnight Low: 66 degrees
Sunset today: 8:57 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:51 a.m.
Precipitation: 0 inches
Last 24 hours: 49 inches
This month to date: 5.98 inches
1985 to date:

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:	HI	Lo	Prc	Obs
6 a.m.	87	65		86
7 a.m.	89	67		88
8 a.m.	73	68		89
9 a.m.	77	69		84
10 a.m.	81	70		82
11 a.m.	85	71		78
1 p.m.	86	72		75
2 p.m.	91	73		75
3 p.m.	92	74		73
4 p.m.	94	75		72
5 p.m.	94	76		68
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Extended forecast

Friday Through Sunday
West Texas: Sunny days and fair night except isolated late afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs 90s except near 106 Big Bend valleys. Lows 60s to near 70 except low 70s Big Bend valleys.



Weather elsewhere

City	HI	Lo	Prc	Obs
Albany	85	65		clr
Albuquerque	96	73		clr
Anchorage	66	53		cdy
Atlanta	91	72		clr
Baltimore	90	69	01	clr
Bismarck	83	53		clr
Boise	01	85	01	cdy
Boston	80	66	20	cdy
Buffalo	82	65	04	cdy
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Kansas City	94	69		clr
Little Rock	96	75		cdy
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Memphis	94	79		cdy
Miami Beach	92	78	21	rn
San Francisco	90	63		cdy
Seattle	89	65		cdy
Shreveport	90	76		cdy
Spokane	90	67		cdy
Syracuse	86	63	02	cdy
Tucson	94	75		cdy
Tulsa	94	75		cdy
Washington	92	71	01	cdy
Wilkes-Barre	83	54	87	cdy
Hartford	86	67	21	cdy
Helena	01	85		cdy
Indianapolis	90	68	15	cdy
Jamez	53	51	m	rn
Phoenix	07	86		cdy

Texas temperatures

City	HI	Lo	Prc	Obs
Alice	95	74		cdy
Amarillo	102	69		cdy
Austin	91	78		cdy
Beaumont-Port Arthur	96	73		cdy
Beaville	95	78		cdy
Brownsville	90	78		cdy
Bryan-College Station	94	75		cdy
Childress	99	79		cdy
Corpus Christi	91	72		cdy
Dalhart	92	65		cdy
Dallas	96	79		cdy
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El Paso	93	74		cdy
Fort Worth	94	69		cdy
Galveston	96	79		cdy
Houston	90	74		cdy
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Lufkin	92	73		cdy
Marfa	91	66		cdy
McAllen	94	78		cdy
Palacios	87	78		cdy
San Angelo	93	69		cdy
San Antonio	91	78		cdy
Stephenville	91	71		cdy
Taxarkane	93	78		cdy
Waco	96	78		cdy
Victoria	96	72		cdy
Wichita Falls	96	72		cdy
Wink	95	64		cdy

County forecasts

Midland, Ector, Crane, Upton, Reagan, Glasscock, Andrews, Gaines, Howard, Martin, Borden and Dawson: Tonight: 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Lows upper 60s. Wind light easterly Thursday; partly cloudy and hot. Highs mid 90s. Wind variable 5 to 10 mph.
Starr, Tom Green, Irion and Coke: Tonight: 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Lows lower 70s. Wind light and variable Thursday; partly cloudy and hot. Highs mid 90s. Wind light and variable.

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Buddy Bell a former Ranger?

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Texas Rangers probably will trade Buddy Bell within the next week, possibly as early as today, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported.

The newspaper said today that sources close to the club confirmed that Bell had asked to be traded and that the club was trying to accommodate him.

Bell reportedly gave Rangers General Manager Tom Grieve a list of about 10 teams he would agree to go to, the newspaper said. As a player with 10 years in the league and five with the same team, Bell can veto any trade.

Bell denied early reports that he asked to be traded after efforts to renegotiate his contract for the fourth time in five years fell through.

"This has nothing to do with my contract," Bell told the Star-Telegram Tuesday in Cleveland.

where the Rangers lost 7-2 Tuesday night to the Indians. "I have never asked to renegotiate. I have renegotiated (in the past) but I've never asked."

SOURCES CLOSE to Bell said the Ranger third baseman was miffed when owner Eddie Chiles allegedly reneged on a promise to renegotiate.

"He feels he was lied to, that's the crux of it," said one source. "I can't say anything else," Bell said, "but I'm not mad at anybody."

Chiles, contacted at his home in Fort Worth, declined to comment.

According to insiders, Bell's agent, Ed Keating of Cleveland, proposed a three-year package totaling \$5.25 million. The package called for \$1.5 million the first year, \$1.75 the second year and \$2 million the third.

got that far," Bell said. "It never got serious."

Chiles reportedly was shocked at the proposal and offered Bell an additional \$55,000 a year to be added to his current salary of \$600,000 a year, the Star-Telegram said in today's editions.

Bell quickly rejected that offer and allegedly accused the Rangers of not being faithful to their promise to renegotiate in good faith.

Bell, club President Mike Stone and Grieve have had several meetings in the past few weeks in an effort to resolve the situation short of a trade.

Grieve is thought to be negotiating with several teams in an effort to move Bell and may conclude the trade within the next few days.

THE LOS Angeles Dodgers, who have long had an interest in Bell, are believed to be the lead-

ing contender in the Bell sweepstakes. There is also talk of a three-way deal with the Dodgers and Pirates in which the Rangers would acquire hard-luck Pittsburgh pitcher Jose DeLeon.

Grieve would not comment on Bell's situation.

"I can't confirm or deny any of it," Grieve said. "I'd rather not comment on any aspect of it right now."

Stone took a similar stance. "I'm not going to comment on any player's contractual status," Stone said. "I can't do that publicly. I will say that we've kept our (contractual) commitment and will continue to do so with all our players."

Bell, 33, is signed through 1987 with an option for 1988. The Rangers reportedly offered to guarantee 1988, along with the extra \$55,000 a year, but Bell also turned that offer down.



Long a mainstay at third base for the Rangers, Buddy Bell's days as a Ranger may be numbered.

Phillies' 'babies' put slumping Astros away with big inning

HOUSTON (AP) — Philadelphia's youthful trio of Juan Samuel, Rick Schu and Kevin Gross, gaining confidence at the expense of the Houston Astros, led the Phillies to their second straight victory in the Astrodome.

The 5-3 setback Tuesday night was the Astros' 10th loss in their past 12 games at home.

Philadelphia, 37-44, erupted for all five runs in the fourth inning off Houston starter and loser Bob Knepper, 8-5, as Samuel drove in two runs and Mike Schmidt, Garry Maddox and Bo Diaz knocked in one apiece.

"I was fortunate to get the bloop hit. We had timely hits even though we didn't hit the ball hard," said Samuel, a second-year shortstop.

Schu, a rookie third baseman who opened the inning with a double and scored, is 5-for-9 in two games against the Astros.

"I'm adjusting to big league pitching," Schu said. "And I've gotten a few hits to build up my confidence."

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came on in relief to notch his eighth save and second in as many games. "Right now I'm in good shape and I'm ready to go nine innings every time I pitch," Gross said. "I'm throwing hard and moving my fastball around as well as developing an off-speed pitch."

Houston's Kevin Bass, Jose Cruz, and Denny Walling each had one RBI, but it was Houston's 12 men left on base and its defensive collapse that concerned Knepper.

Knepper, who allowed eight hits in seven innings, seriously addressed the Houston situation after departing from the dressing room.

"We're just not playing like we want to win ball games. You could say the time is tired or flat. I don't know what's wrong," Knepper said. Houston, 41-42, has left 40 runners on base over the past 37 innings.

"It's frustrating when balls are hit directly at guys and they drop them. We've got to bear down and win. We just have to kick ourselves in the rear and decide if we want to win

this thing or not," Knepper said, referring to the National League West race.

Mets 11, Reds 2

George Foster drove in four runs and Dwight Gooden went eight innings to outdo Cincinnati ace Mario Soto.

The 20-year-old Gooden is in a groove and the Mets are on the move in the National League East, trailing pacesetter St. Louis by 2 1/2 games after winning their eighth straight, the longest positive streak in the league this season.

Soto is out of sync, having lost a career-worst six straight decisions, and the Reds have lost seven of their last 10 games to fall from second place to third in the NL West.

"I had my great stuff," Gooden, 12-3, said after pitching eight strong innings Tuesday night as the Mets buried the Reds and Soto.

"I'm just going through hell right now," said the 28-year-old Soto, 8-9, who hasn't won since June 4. "It's hard to win games. Hitters have slumps, and pitchers have slumps. Hitters go 0-for-21, 1-for-30... this stuff's not going to go on the whole season."

Gooden, who tired in the heat in Cincinnati, struck out five to raise his major-league-leading total to 142. George Foster, who drove in four runs, hit his 14th homer of the season to give the Mets a 1-0 lead in the fourth. In the fifth, Keith Hernandez hit his seventh homer into the second deck in right field, giving him 10 runs batted in during his last six games.

Cubs 7, Padres 3

Chicago's Ryne Sandberg, who doesn't want to be thought of as a home-run hitter, got Nos. 11 and 12 in leading a 14-hit Cub attack against Eric Show, 7-6, and two Padre relievers.

"And a good example of why I don't is the early part of this season," said Sandberg, whose homers in the first two innings both came with a man on base. "I started the season thinking I was a home-run hitter and I wasn't hitting much of anything."

He also singled in the fourth, stole his 25th base and came around to score his third run of the game.

Sandberg, who hit 19 homers in 1984 after totaling just 15 in the two previous seasons, started this year

by going 8-for-57 through the first 14 games.

Steve Trout, 8-4, held the Padres to three hits, one of them Steve Garvey's 13th homer, a three-run shot in the sixth.

Dodgers 8, Pirates 3
Surging Los Angeles, getting 16 hits, won for the eighth time in 10 games to move within 2 1/2 games of San Diego in the NL West. The Dodgers have picked up 3 1/2 games over that stretch.

Rick Honeycutt, 6-7, and Tom Niedenfuer stopped Pittsburgh on six hits and Steve Sax keyed a sixth-inning rally with a two-run single. The Dodgers got 12 hits off Pirates starter Rick Rhoden, 5-9, in 5 1/3 innings.

"We're for real," said Niedenfuer, who worked the final 3 2/3 innings for his seventh save. "It's been an uphill battle for us but we're a little closer now. The big thing has been our defense... we made a lot of errors early in the season, but now we're fielding better."

Expos 5, Braves 1

Montreal, with Tim Lincecum and Dan Driscoll getting four hits each, kept pace with New York, 2 1/2 games

behind St. Louis. Striking out a career-high 10 batters, right-hander Bryn Smith raised his record to 10-3. Six of the strikeouts were in succession.

"It got to be a guessing game out there tonight," Smith said. "And I guess they guessed me wrong more than they guessed me right."

Montreal beat Atlanta's Pascual Perez, who fell to 0-7, despite striking out a season-high eight batters.

Cardinals 3, Giants 1
St. Louis continued to roll, winning for the 28th time in 40 home games, the best record in baseball. San Francisco is the worst road team at 12-33.

The Cardinals' Danny Cox, 10-4, beat the Giants on five hits and Vince Coleman started the first-inning rally by singling and stealing his major league-leading 57th base.

"It's important for us to get on top early," said Tom Herr of St. Louis, whose two RBIs gave him a major league-leading 65. "When we can get a lead, it makes it easier for our starting pitcher and it makes our running game a lot more effective."

San Francisco's Bill Laskey lost for the 11th time in 12 decisions.

Namath joins O.J., Gifford in TV booth, Hall of Fame

LA Times-Washington Post

NEW YORK — Joe Namath is in love. With his wife. That was obvious Tuesday at the 21 Club, where the former Jets' quarterback and current show-business personality formally announced he would replace Don Meredith on ABC's "Monday Night Football."

Namath, who guaranteed the Jets would win Super Bowl III against the Baltimore Colts in January 1969 and then delivered, will join O.J. Simpson and Frank Gifford beginning with the Aug. 3 Hall of Fame Game from Canton, Ohio, the same day he and Simpson will join Gifford in the Hall of Fame.

Roone Arledge, president of ABC News and Sports, said that he expects the 42-year-old Namath to be "marvelous" on "Monday Night Football." But Namath said that his decision to join the Monday night crew is strictly personal.

"One reason I took it," Namath said, "is that I'm married now, and we're going to have a child, and I'd like to have a steadier base. I've traveled around quite a bit, not only playing football, but since I've played football, I find now that I'd rather base out of a house a little more, and that's part of it, plus I like football."

DEBRA, HIS 23-year-old wife who is expecting their first child in October, stood nearby as her celebrity husband fielded questions from the media. "She listened to what I had to say about games we watched, and she enjoyed it," Namath said. "It was her idea."

When asked if he had any broadcasting experience, Namath said, "No." His wife said that it didn't matter. "He's been doing color for me for two years."

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Midland's Mark McLemore, here making a play in the field in a recent Angels game, was the late-inning hero of Tuesday's Texas League All-Star game.

Angels' star McLemore drives in game-winner

BEAUMONT (AP) — Midland's Mark McLemore doubled in the eighth inning to break a 4-4 deadlock Tuesday night as the West took a 6-4 victory over the East in the 1985 Texas League All-Star Game.

A crowd of 4,014 at Vincent-Beck Stadium saw the Midland Angels' second baseman double off the right field wall to plate the go-ahead run and McLemore then scored the final run on the third hit of the night by El Paso's Billy Joe Robidoux.

McLemore was the Angels only selection to the West Division All-Star team.

The switch-hitting McLemore's game-winning hit followed a single by San Antonio's Jon Debus and a walk to the Beaumont Golden Gators' Tom Brassil. It made a winner of San Antonio's Adrian Meagher in relief despite giving up four runs in two innings.

Tulsa's Tony Hudson was the

loser. El Paso's Glenn Braggs rifled off two of the West's 10 hits and knocked in three runs to pace the winning attack.

The two teams had to wade through a 58-minute rain delay in the fourth inning before continuing play.

Regular season Texas League action will resume Thursday night with a full schedule of games. The Midland Angels begin a 10-game road swing to the far reaches of the East Division beginning with a five-game set with the Jackson Mets, then advancing to the home of the first-half East Division winning Arkansas Travelers, a St. Louis farm club.

The Angels closed out a six-game homestand with San Antonio on Sunday by picking up their fourth straight win, their longest winning streak of the season.

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TV Sports...

BASEBALL—Padres vs. Cubs, 1 p.m., WGN.
Expos vs. Braves, 6:35 p.m., TBS.

Quotebook...

"I don't understand goalies. They spend all of practice trying not to get hit by the pucks, then all of the game trying to get hit by the pucks. It's a stupid job," new Detroit Red Wing coach Harry Neale.

Trivia Teaser...

Why is there an asterisk by Roger Maris' 61 home runs in the record book?
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Baseball Today...

July 10
1932 — The A's defeated Cleveland 16-17 in an 18-inning game that saw John Burnett of the Indians collect a record nine hits, Jimmie Foxx collect 16 total bases,

and Eddie Rommel of the A's pitched 17 innings in relief and win, although he gave up 29 hits and 14 runs.

1934 — Carl Hubbell fanned Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Jimmie Foxx, Al Simmons, and Joe Cronin in succession, but the American League came back to win the All-Star Game 9-7 at the Polo Grounds as Mel Harder gave up only one hit in the last five innings.

1936 — Chuck Klein hit four home runs in a 10-inning win for the Phillies, and it wasn't in cozy Baker Bowl. He belted them in spacious Forbes Field in a 9-6 Philadelphia triumph over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

1947 — Don Black of the Cleveland Indians hurled a 3-0 no-hit game against the Philadelphia A's in the first game of a twin bill.

1951 — The National League accounted for six runs with four homers en route to an 8-3 triumph at Detroit, giving it consecutive All-Star wins for the first time. The six homers at Briggs Stadium set an All-Star record.

1979 — Del Unser of the Philadelphia Phillies hit his third consecutive pinch-hit home run as the Phils beat the San Diego Padres 6-5.

Today's Birthdays: Hal McRae 30, Bob Bailor 34, Andre Dawson 31.

Sports camps making inroads in Texas

By GEORGE BREAZEALE

Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN (AP) — Coaches once were the summer students of such teaching legends as Knute Rockne in football and Adolph Rupp in basketball.

But in increasing numbers, athletes and would-be athletes are absorbing the summer teaching of such college coaches as Eddie Sutton and Dean Smith in basketball, Barry Switzer in football and Cliff Gustafson in baseball.

In other parts of the nation, summer camps have been prominent for two decades or more, providing five-figure annual incomes to North Carolina's Smith and to Sutton, who recently moved from Arkansas to Kentucky.

Summer camps are not big business in Texas — yet.

High school football, basketball and volleyball players for two decades were banned from camp attendance, a rule change last year allowed non-varsity athletes to sign up. And not until the late 1970s did most Texas colleges allow coaches to conduct such schools on campus.

But University Interscholastic League rules are changing, and colleges are jumping into the market that's opening up.

SINCE the University of Texas changed its policy on facilities and coaches' work schedules in 1979, the school and its men's and women's coaching staffs have developed camps in basketball, women's volley-

ball, swimming, track and field, tennis, baseball and strength conditioning.

Doug Messer, UT's assistant athletic director for financial affairs, says the camps are set up partly to complement coaches' salaries. But Messer emphasizes the community service concept, "to allow boys and girls of every age to have an educational and athletic experience."

Camp directors at UT receive rent-free use of such facilities as Memorial Stadium, Gregory Gymnasium and Disch-Falk Field to house their operations — all of them, that is, except for swimming Coach Eddie Reese, who pays the Texas Swimming Center about \$5,000 for use of the pool for six weeks.

All the camps, Messer said, have such expense items as room and board for resident campers, advertising and awards and T-shirts for campers who enroll.

"Women's athletic department policy is that the camps cannot lose money, because there is no money in the budget to cover deficits," said sports information director Chris Plonsky. "But the ones that Jody Conradt (basketball), Mick Haley (volleyball) and Eddie Reese (swimming) have are all moneymakers."

MESSER SAID that in 1984, the last year for which full accounting is available, all camps sponsored by the men's athletic department made money.

Bob Weltlich's basketball camp took in \$45,882 and spent \$43,876. Gustafson's baseball operation had \$23,738 in enrollment fees and spent

\$23,357. The track and field camp received \$14,136 and spent \$13,919 and strength camp receipts were \$12,399 against expenses of \$11,685.

Instructors' salaries are included in the expenses; Messer said some coaches are paid a flat fee, while others receive a percentage of the profits.

While camp income induced Sutton and Smith to settle in at their schools, Messer does not see such revenue as critical to retaining UT's men's coaches. But women's swim coach Richard Quick came to UT three years ago partly because of the income potential from Reese's summer camp.

Messer, who has been in athletic administration at Mississippi State, Florida State and Kansas, says UT's approach to camps is, contrasted to those schools, conservative.

"At all three of those schools the biggest camp is the football camp. Some people may visualize a football camp as pushing a blocking sled around in the July heat, but they're fun camps. Kids learn fundamentals, but there are other activities."

Messer says camps have the potential to be long range recruiting tools and that "a 14-year-old athlete three or four years later might remember the pleasant associations he had at a camp and pick that school for his sport."

GUSTAFSON SAID two 1985 Longhorn, shortstop Coby Kerlin and third baseman Dodd Johnson, went through the UT baseball camp, and football Coach Fred Akers sees

a recruiting benefit to the camp he hopes to launch next summer.

"We would expect it to be two-way, as far as benefits go," Akers said. "It's possible that some of them might be in a Longhorn uniform some day."

Are sports camps worth the money? Dennis Seale, who produced a 1984 Class 2A state baseball runner-up at Dripping Springs, says he thinks they are, especially to younger athletes.

"Once I get a boy into my program as a freshman, I like to have control of him," Seale said, "but a fifth-grader, say, has an excellent chance to learn correctly fundamentals from qualified coaches. He's paid his money and he's listening to coaches he respects, so he's probably going to remember what they say."

Elgin baseball coach Glenn Bacak also likes what summer camps can do for young athletes.

"One big benefit is, if an athlete goes to a camp, he is thinking about that sport," Bacak said. "He's there because he wants to be, and that's the best learning situation you can get."

Asked if some youngsters go into camps with unrealistic expectations of the benefits, Messer said, "Some parents might have that illusion about their kids, but I don't think many kids do. Maybe a few kids are pressured to go to camp, but I do think most of them are there for four days, a week, or whatever, because they want to learn and to have fun."

Sports Scoreboard

Standings Texas League

Table showing Texas League standings for the second half, including Western and Eastern divisions with columns for W, L, Pct., and GB.

American League National League

Table showing American League and National League standings for the second half, including Eastern and West divisions with columns for W, L, Pct., and GB.

Leaders

Table showing league leaders for American League and National League, including batting averages, home runs, RBIs, and other statistics.

Angel Averages

Table showing batting averages for various players, including names, positions, and their respective averages.

Tour de France

Table showing the results of the Tour de France, including names of cyclists and their performance in different stages.

Fights

Table listing upcoming fights, including names of boxers and their respective managers or promoters.

Hit Leaders

Table showing hit leaders in various sports, including names and their respective hit counts.

NL Boxes

Table showing National League box scores for various games, including team names, scores, and key player statistics.

AL Boxes

Table showing American League box scores for various games, including team names, scores, and key player statistics.

SMU's Bliss in line for vacant Nets job

DALLAS (AP) — Dave Bliss, head basketball coach at Southern Methodist University, confirmed that he has talked at least twice with the management of the New Jersey Nets about the vacant National Basketball Association job.

Dotsch is Coach of Year

NEW YORK (AP) — Rollie Dotsch, who guided the Birmingham Stallions to the Eastern Conference championship, today was named the United States Football League's Coach of the Year by The Associated Press.

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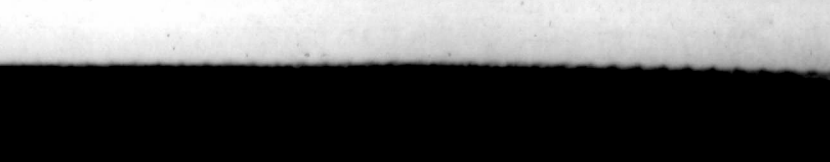
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Slugging Kingman an unlikely member of elite 400-club

By DARRELL CHRISTIAN
AP Sports Editor

The name seems almost out of place. Yet any day now, there between Al Kaline and Duke Snider, on a list headed by Hank Aaron and Babe Ruth, will be Dave Kingman. Kingman's next two home runs for the Oakland Athletics will give him 400 for his career, a level reached by just 20 players in major league history.

His place among them, though, may be as solitary as he has often been.

The record books will show it, but the historians may never accept it. To them, Kingman will stand out for different reasons. With him, the similarities stop with the home runs.

He has been prolific, certainly, but not as productive as others, although his 14 grand slam homers are tied with Gil Hodges for seventh on the all-time list behind 400-homer men Lou Gehrig, Willie McCovey, Jimmy Foxx, Ted Williams, Aaron and Ruth.

Kingman has the lowest batting average and lowest home run-to-runs batted in ratio in the 400 club. Only twice has he driven in 100 or more runs. In 1975 and 1976, he hit 36 and 37 home runs, respectively, but had only 88 and 86 RBI.

OF THE 20 players ahead of him on the all-time homer list, 14 are in the Hall of Fame. Three others, McCovey, Willie Stargell and Carl Yastrzemski, haven't been retired long enough to be eligible yet. Billy Williams is getting closer, fourth on the last ballot, 45 votes short. Reggie Jackson and Mike Schmidt, like Kingman, are still active.

If Kingman seems out of place, that's the way his entire 13-year career has gone.

He is a one-dimensional player, a designated hitter, who more often than not has worked in his own private world, irritating teammates, re-

porters and fans along the way. Baseball, in fact, is not first on his list of things to do.

"I'm having a lot of fun hitting baseballs right now," Kingman says. "But it's not what I want to do forever. I've got a lot of things I like to do besides that, like fishing, any kind of fishing."

During the season with Oakland, he lives aboard his 43-foot yacht in Alameda, Calif.

HR-RBI ratio

Production of baseball's career home run leaders as measured by home runs-to-runs batted in ratio:

Player	HR	RBI	Ratio
Stan Musial	475	1,951	4.1
Carl Yastrzemski	452	1,844	4.1
Lou Gehrig	463	1,960	4.0
Al Kaline	399	1,583	4.0
Mel Ott	511	1,860	3.6
Jimmy Foxx	534	1,921	3.6
Ted Williams	521	1,839	3.5
Billy Williams	426	1,475	3.5
Duke Snider	407	1,333	3.3
Willie Stargell	475	1,540	3.2
Ernie Banks	512	1,636	3.2
Babe Ruth	714	2,204	3.1
Frank Robinson	586	1,812	3.1
Hank Aaron	755	2,297	3.0
Reggie Jackson	516	1,558	3.0
Willie McCovey	521	1,555	3.0
Willie Mays	660	1,903	2.9
Eddie Mathews	512	1,453	2.8
Mickey Mantle	536	1,509	2.8
Mike Schmidt	435	1,216	2.8
Harmon Killebrew	573	1,584	2.8
Dave Kingman	398	1,078	2.7

HE HAS played with seven different teams, including the New York Mets twice. In a space of three months in 1977, he played for four teams in four different divisions — the Mets, the San Diego Padres, the California Angels and the New York

Yankees. He homered for each of them and is the only man in history to complete that odd combination.

But if his power has not been questioned, his desire has.

Joey Amalfitano, now a coach with the Los Angeles Dodgers, was Kingman's manager for 1½ seasons with the Chicago Cubs and before that was a coach on Kingman teams in San Francisco and San Diego.

It was with Chicago in 1979 that Kingman enjoyed his best season — 48 home runs, 115 RBI and a .288 batting average.

"He's a very private person," Amalfitano says. "He's really into boating and fishing and it seems at times that baseball isn't his No. 1 priority. Don't get me wrong. I like the guy and got along with him real well. But sometimes it didn't seem baseball was No. 1."

"Sometimes, you could get him going for three weeks at a time, and then all of a sudden, mentally he wouldn't be there. He's a complex guy, but I've always liked him and always kind of followed him. I was pretty close to him, but sometimes he was pretty hard to figure out, and he still is."

TOM SEEVER, who played with Kingman on the Mets, and A's manager Jackie Moore say the surliness and frequent refusal to talk to reporters are misunderstood.

"He's a very intense person," Seever says. "He's very demanding, especially on himself. He's also a very sensitive guy, which most people don't suspect. His being surly is a defense mechanism."

Adds Moore: "He's a little bit shy sometimes, but he's a quality individual. He jokes around some, has his fun. But when it's time to get down to winning games, he's all business. It's a pleasure having him on our ball club."

Just a few years ago, it looked like Kingman would not get the chance to reach 400.

After being injured much of the 1980 season, he was traded back to the Mets. This was going to be the new Kingman, and his arrival was celebrated by a gala press conference in training camp where he handed out gold-plated pens to beat writers.

The era of good feeling was short-lived. He started sulking when critics pointed to his low batting average, and stopped talking again. He often refused to take fielding practice.

THE NEXT year he led the league in home runs with 37 but batted only .204, managing just 72-non home run hits in 535 at-bats.

On June 15, 1983, the Mets acquired first baseman Keith Hernandez from St. Louis, and that essen-

tially ended Kingman's days with the club. He played only occasionally after that, almost always as a pinch hitter. Again, he sulked.

The Mets tried to trade him, but there were no takers, primarily because of a guaranteed contract worth a reported \$800,000. The Mets offered to pay part of it and would have accepted anything in trade, but still no one wanted Kingman.

Finally, the Mets released Kingman on Jan. 30, 1984, and two months later he was signed by the A's to a one-year contract. Oakland paid just \$40,000, the major league minimum, and the Mets paid the balance.

Now, Kingman says he is happy. "These past years have been the most enjoyable of my entire career," he says. "Being out West here, closer

to home, has made a big difference to me. But I'm not thinking of going on like this forever. I'm not really concerned with my longevity. I'm satisfied with my career, and just happy to be where I am right now."

THE A'S are happy to have him. Moore says Kingman has "been awfully productive for us. Whenever you have a guy who can put two or three runs on the board with a swing of the bat, you're naturally going to make other teams worry."

Kingman's next homer will tie him at 399 with Hall of Famer Kaline. Then will come the milestone 400th.

And then, says Moore, "he's got the chance to hit a lot more than 400 as far as I'm concerned."

Walker unanimous MVP choice

NEW YORK (AP) — Herschel Walker of the New Jersey Generals, whose 2,411 yards shattered pro football's single-season rushing record, was the Pro Football Writers of America's unanimous choice Tuesday as the United States Football League's Most Valuable Player.

Walker, in his third pro season after winning the Heisman Trophy as college football's premier player and then leaving the University of Georgia before his senior season, also broke pro records with 11 consecutive 100-yard games and 14 games of more than 100 yards rushing.

His 22 touchdowns — 21 of them rushing — and 132 points in the 1985 season, and his 233 yards rushing in one game, established USFL records. He also led the Generals in receiving with 37 for 467 yards and a TD.

The previous winners of the Schick Trophy as the USFL MVP were running back Kelvin Bryant of the Philadelphia (now Baltimore)

Stars and Houston quarterback Jim Kelly.

WALKER'S SIGNING of a three-year, \$5 million contract, then pro football's richest contract, before the completion of his college eligibility created a firestorm of controversy and brought massive attention to an infant league seeking credibility as an "off-season" counterpart to the established National Football League.

For the first two seasons, Walker was the Generals' sole star. This year he was joined by Boston College quarterback Doug Flutie.

"Doug made things a great deal easier for me," Walker said. "He took a lot of the pressure off me, and he gave me an opportunity to learn a lot more about offense. I got a chance to read defenses like a quarterback and got a chance to become a receiver. You never see an NFL running back line up as a receiver and go deep. You see that in the USFL."

Walker's contract now runs through 1988. The Dallas Cowboys, guessing or hoping that the USFL won't be around that long, made him their fifth-round pick in last April's NFL draft.

Asked whether he could envision himself in the same backfield with the Cowboys' Tony Dorsett, the 6-foot-1, 222-pound Walker replied: "It'd be an honor."

He said he didn't experience any resentment when he and his huge contract arrived at the Generals' camp. "There were a lot of older guys on the team at that time. I think they were able to understand it a lot better."

DESPITE WINNING the rushing title with 1,812 yards as a rookie — with virtually no break following his final year at Georgia — and finishing third in the league with 1,339 yards last year, Walker was considered by many to be a disappointment. Critics said he wasn't running with abandon, as he had in college.



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LONDON fell again. French currency and turnover in France in June. The French pound benefited setbacks in inflation that economic recovery.

The pound don to \$1.15 since June compares rate of \$1.50.

In Paris nine French francs since quoted at \$1.90 to \$1.9350 for franc.

Expect interest pressure to dictate the Reserve will 7.5 percent.

The dollar last Friday. Government in June. In June dealers saw week below through Monday heavy sell.

In Tokyo before the day's 246.24.60 yen last Nov. 2 fell further.

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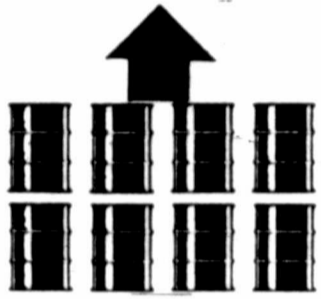
WASHINGTON (AP) — Yields on short-term Treasury securities fell in Monday's auctions, with rates once again nearing the five-year low set last month.

The Treasury Department sold \$7.2 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 6.92 percent, down from last week's 7 percent. Another \$7.2 billion was sold in six-month bills at an average discount rate of 7 percent, down from 7.08 percent last week.

The rates were the lowest since June 17 when three-month bills averaged 6.73 percent and six-month bills sold for 6.90 percent. Both of those rates were the lowest in five years.

The new Treasury bill discount rates understate the actual return to investors — 7.14 percent for three-month bills and 7.36 percent for six-month bills.

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Source: Wall Street Journal

MONEY



Dollar mixed

LONDON (AP) — The dollar fell against the British and French currencies early today and turned in a mixed performance in Europe amid expectations that U.S. interest rates will fall. Gold prices were mixed.

The French franc and the British pound have been the principal beneficiaries of the dollar's setbacks since Friday over speculation that the American economic recovery is slowing.

The pound sterling rose in London to \$1.3920, its highest level since June 11 of last year. That compares with Tuesday's late rate of \$1.36675.

In Paris, the dollar fell below nine French francs for the first time since last Sept. 4. It was quoted at 8.9300 francs, compared to 9.0350 francs late Tuesday.

Expectations of lower U.S. interest rates continued to pressure the dollar. Dealers predicted that the U.S. Federal Reserve will move soon to cut its 7.5 percent discount rate to 7 percent.

The dollar's troubles started last Friday, when the U.S. government reported unemployment in June unchanged at 7.3 percent, dealers said, and deepened this week when the U.S. currency fell below three West German marks on Monday, sparking a wave of heavy selling.

In Tokyo, where trading ends before Europe's business day begins, the dollar fell from Tuesday's 246.05 yen to a closing 244.60 yen, its lowest level since last Nov. 22. Later, in London, it fell further to 243.50 yen.

Other dollar rates at midmorning, compared with late Tuesday: —2.9640 West German marks, up from 2.9590.

—2.4505 Swiss francs, down from 2.4745.

—3.3405 Dutch guilders, up from 3.3320.

—1.9975 Italian lire, up from 1.9895.

—1.3520 Canadian dollars, down from 1.3536.



Gold opened in London at a bid price of \$313.00 an ounce, compared with late Tuesday's \$315.25. At midmorning today, the city's five major bullion dealers fixed a recommended price of \$314.70.

In Zurich, the bid price was \$315.50, up from \$315.25 late Tuesday.

Earlier, in Hong Kong, gold fell the equivalent of 94 cents to close at a bid \$314.34.

In New York Tuesday, gold fell \$1.50 to a late bid price of \$313.50.

PARIS (AP) — Saudi Arabia has threatened to more than quadruple oil production, a move that would likely trigger a price war that would send oil prices plummeting, unless OPEC colleagues renounce cheating on the group's price and production quotas, a senior Western official says.

The threat, said to be relayed by the Saudi oil minister to several governments after OPEC's inconclusive meeting last weekend, was more severe than an earlier warning from the kingdom last month.

The Western official, who spoke with reporters Tuesday during a meeting of the International Energy Agency, said Saudi Arabia is prepared to increase production from the current 20-year low of about 2 million barrels a day to as much as 9 million barrels a day by year's end unless other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries agree to its terms.

The official spoke only on the condition he not be identified and said he had no doubt about the authenticity of the Saudi message.

OPEC oil ministers ended three days of meetings in Vienna, Austria, on Sunday with a pledge to end cheating, but with no specific agreement on how to defend oil prices, which have been slipping because of oversupplies on world markets and widespread discounting by producers in and out of OPEC.

The organization is to meet again on July 22 in Geneva, Switzerland, and Saudi Arabia, which faces another huge deficit if oil income continues to slide, is seeking guaran-

tees that the 13-nation group will comply with its own price and production quotas.

Oil prices rebounded Tuesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, but that increase was attributed to buying only to meet short-term needs, with widespread uncertainty over the course of oil prices in the future.

Stepped up production by Saudi Arabia could send the price of oil plummeting below \$20 a barrel from current levels of about \$27.

Each \$1 drop in the price of a barrel of oil is equivalent to a decline of about 2½ cents in the retail price of a gallon of gasoline or other refined petroleum product.

Saudi Arabia's first warning on stepped up production came during a meeting of nine OPEC ministers in

last month. That gathering received a message from King Fahd that warned that his kingdom would no longer sacrifice oil production and revenue in face of other members' increasing discounting of prices.

OPEC also has been seeking cooperation from outside the organization.

The 21-member International Energy Agency, which was formed to fight rising energy prices and to unite Western countries and Japan behind energy conservation, on Tuesday rejected negotiations with OPEC, saying such talks could only lead to harmful price-fixing.

U.S. Energy Secretary John H. Garley said in a speech in Paris that "the United States sees no merit, and potential for serious misunderstanding," in a dialogue between the

agency's members and OPEC. "Such activity is seen in the United States as opening the way for government action on price and production levels, which we believe must be left to the market."

Meanwhile, Kuwait's oil minister, Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah, left London today for talks with British oil officials, oil ministry officials in Kuwait said. Al-Sabah also is scheduled to visit Mexico later in the week.

Neither Mexico nor Britain are OPEC members.

"Sheik Ali will try to talk British and Mexican (oil) officials into abiding by a price ceiling, with a view to averting a collapse in the world markets," said one Kuwaiti oil ministry official, spoke on condition he not be identified.

RepublicBank executives visit Midland, announce earnings

By MELLA McEWEN
Business-Oil Writer

The Chairman of the Board of RepublicBank Corp., James D. Berry, along with the President and Chief Executive Officer, Jerry Fronterhouse and other members of the RepublicBank Corp. Executive Committee, visited Midland yesterday to announce earnings for the second quarter and first half of 1985.

The corporation announced a second quarter net income of \$35.5 million or \$1.16 per fully diluted share, an increase of 10 percent over the same quarter in 1984.

Net income for the first half of 1985 was \$70.9 million or \$2.32 per share. This marked an increase of 12 percent over the first half of 1984.

As of June 30, 1985, Berry said, the corporation had assets of \$22.1 billion, up 8 percent.

In opening remarks, Berry noted that acquiring the former First National Bank was not without controversy, adding "RepublicBank Corp. has been elated at Midland's acceptance of us and the dramatic inflow of

deposits we have seen since our name went on this bank."

According to Tom Wageman, president of the Midland bank, deposits as of July 8, 1985 have increased \$117 million since the day the First National Bank was closed.

Wageman also stated that the Midland bank has a \$106 million energy loan portfolio.

According to Charles Pistor, president of RepublicBank Dallas, the corporation has a \$2 billion loan portfolio that he termed "stable to modestly growing."

Directors predicted that there would be some price deterioration through 1985, into 1986 and maybe beyond, with the price curve bottoming out by 1987. He and the other directors agreed that energy loans would remain an integral part of the corporation's loan portfolio.

RepublicBank Corp. has two banks in Midland - RepublicBank Midland and RepublicBank First National Midland. Berry stated that he wanted his directors to meet the people and community of Midland, adding that he hoped the visit would establish a precedent to bring the group to other RepublicBank holdings in the future.

Pennzoil-Texaco lawsuit litigation may last two months, judge says

HOUSTON (AP) — Prospective jurors in the \$14 billion Pennzoil Co.-Texaco Inc. suit were warned by a state district judge that the trial may take up to 10 weeks because of the case's magnitude and complexity.

"It is the court's duty to advise you that the trial of this case will last 6 to 10 weeks," Judge Anthony J.P. Farris told 100 prospective jurors on Tuesday.

Out of the 100, only 12 and four alternates will be selected, to decide the outcome of the largest civil case ever filed in Harris County, Judge Farris told the Houston Chronicle.

Jury selection slated for Monday

was delayed after a Supreme Judicial District Court denied a request by Texaco to disqualify a Houston law firm from representing Pennzoil.

Texaco contended the law firm of Baker & Botts should be prohibited from appearing and arguing before the jury as advocates for Pennzoil since Texaco plans to call at least one attorney from the firm as a witness for its side.

Pennzoil filed the \$14 billion lawsuit against Texaco in early 1984. Houston-based Pennzoil claims that when Texaco acquired Getty Oil Co. last year, it forced Getty to breach an earlier agreement Getty had

made to merge with Pennzoil.

Texaco denies the charge, saying that Pennzoil and Getty never had a valid contract for their proposed merger.

Pennzoil is not asking that the \$10.1 billion Texaco-Getty merger be dissolved, but it wants Texaco to pay \$7 billion in actual damages and \$7 billion in punitive damages for what Pennzoil calls "tortious interference."

Pennzoil bases its damage claim on the amount of Getty's oil and gas reserves and Pennzoil's average cost of finding oil and gas. Pennzoil said it would have to spend \$7 billion to find the 1 billion equivalent barrels of oil and gas that Getty owned.



Marvin Pringle



Clarence Cardwell

ARCO's Permian District gets new chief, manager

E. Marvin Pringle has been named vice president and manager of ARCO Oil and Gas Company's Permian District, it was announced by James A. Middleton, president.

He succeeds Clarence E. Cardwell, Jr., who is retiring from ARCO Aug. 1, after 36 years with the company, including the last nine years in Midland.

Pringle is returning to Midland following nearly four years in Alaska, where he has been vice president, production and drilling operations, for ARCO Alaska, Inc., based in Anchorage. He previously served as engineering manager for the Permian District in Midland for four years.

Pringle is a graduate of the University of Southwestern Louisiana. He joined Atlantic Richfield in 1958 and has held positions of increasing responsibility in several of ARCO's major locations.

Cardwell, who has been manager of the Permian District since 1976, was named a vice president in 1979.

Prudential Pipeline reorganizes

Prudential Pipeline Co. a wholly-owned, crude oil gathering subsidiary of Prude Refining Inc., has been reorganized into a new entity, Prude Pipeline Limited Partnership, according to Prude Refining officials.

Under the new arrangement, effective July 1, the Prudential Insurance Co. of America will have a limited partnership interest of slightly over 50 percent, while Prude Pipeline Co. will be the general partner conducting its crude oil gathering business under the same name and from the same Abilene offices on

the 11th floor of the First State Bank Tower, 500 Chestnut. No changes in personnel are planned, officials said.

Wayne Malone is chairman of the board; Bill Catlett, president; and Kent Finley, vice president.

"We are pleased to have Prudential as an equity owner," Jimmy Morris, chairman of the board of Prude Refining said. "We feel this reorganization will give us a strong basis for growth with continued good service to crude producers and others in the industry."

UAW-Saturn pact offers glimpse into automotive industry future

WARREN, Mich. (AP) — The United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. are battling over GM's Saturn plants, but their leaders agree on a crucial point: the Saturn labor contract would change the U.S. auto industry forever.

For several months, the UAW and GM have been at work on a letter of intent that would form the basis for labor contract bargaining after the plant opens.

A tentative agreement was reached last week, but the 25-member UAW Executive Board, the union's ruling body, rejected it and sent the bargainers back to the table, where they remain this week.

Details of the pact were not released until Tuesday, when Peter Kelly, a dissident prominent within the union and president of Local 160 in Warren, gave copies of the 31-page document to reporters and denounced it.

Although not in its final form, the document shows that the UAW is willing to let go of union traditions that have grown deep roots in the industry. Those include the shop committee considered the heart of UAW locals, traditional grievance procedures and seniority rights.

Also vanishing at the Saturn plant would be the array of job classifications which prevent one worker from doing another's job. At Saturn, there would be just one basic job class and a few other skilled trades classes.

In their place would be union-management committees. On the shop floors, workers would be assigned to teams and could switch chores. Such systems have been refined by the Japanese, and U.S. companies like GM say they must follow to remain competitive.

"For the last 50 years in the UAW we have had basically the independent democratic right as trade unionists and as members on the floor to make our own decisions in relation to represented members," Kelly protested. "We are now supplanting that with a union-management consensus system in Saturn."



Ice cream bear

Ben Cohen stands in one of the freezers at Ben & Jerry's Homemade Inc.'s new ice cream plant in Waterbury, VT. He is president of the company, which started in an old gas station with a few hand-cranked makers, and is now selling gourmet ice cream.

Texas may still be in running

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — After another testing of the waters, U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm now says Texas may still be in the running as the location of the new General Motors Corp. Saturn plant.

Recounting a conversation with General Motors sources in Washington, Gramm, R-Texas, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that Texas still is a contender for the economic plum pursued by several other states.

Last week, Gramm said Texas more than likely would not be chosen as the site for the plant. Lack of positive signs from GM — and Texas' right-to-work laws — indicated the \$5 billion Saturn project would go elsewhere, he said then.

"I've talked with GM every day to remind them the Lone Star flag is still flying," Gramm said Tuesday. "I'm proceeding on the assumption we're still in the hunt."

Gramm said he had maintained daily contact with General Motors officials in Washington for the past month as part of the state's bipartisan effort to bring the high technology plant to Texas.

General Motors, which has seen the Saturn odyssey wind through six months of courting from nearly three dozen states, plans to employ 6,000 workers inside the plant. About 14,000 jobs will be created in related industries, GM officials have said.

Gramm tempered his optimism about the state's chances, saying he would have expected information to leak from various state agencies involved in the site selection as General Motors officials attempted to finalize arrangements to locate to Texas.

Several sites in Texas are reportedly under consideration, including tracts near Sherman, Longview and Fort Worth. Other states mentioned as prominent Saturn contenders are Michigan, Kentucky and Tennessee.

"I see inherent in this agreement the demise of the UAW and the trade union movement as we know it."

However, UAW officials who side with union President Owen Bieber said Kelly's is the way of the past and the union must accede to Japanese-style work environments to keep automakers from moving jobs to cheaper places overseas.

A union official who spoke on condition of anonymity responded to Kelly's charges of a sellout by pointing out that the \$13.45 an hour for Saturn workers and the job security and benefits in the document "doesn't sound like a sellout to me."

Skilled technicians would make

\$15.40, a few pennies higher than that made by current GM production workers.

A company source close to the Saturn project said GM is unlikely to budge from its insistence on a revolutionary set of work rules for the plant.

The document gave no indication where GM might build the plant, except that provisions have been made for supplier companies to be active in running the plant complex and it would appear that GM wants to be near the suppliers.

The automaker has received lucrative bids from three dozen states and a decision is expected this month, according to GM sources.

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"You haven't changed a bit!" Don't think you can look a potato in the "eyes" and get away with that old line. What a turn-off for your potatoes. After all, this versatile vegetable has literally given the skin off its back to accommodate eating in the eighties. Nor could the popular potato use that same tasteless cliché on today's consumers. Why not? Because we've changed plenty too. Demographics are decidedly different this decade. They are impacting the way we shop, select recipes, prepare foods and plan menus. A look at today's lifestyles reveals that:

The teen market is no longer a "futures market." It is immediate. Those customers of tomorrow have been transformed into consumers of today. In addition to shopping for their own needs, many teens are making product and brand decisions for the entire family. Potato Skin Snacks are a new favorite food of the younger generation.

POTATO SKINS

Potato Buds mashed potatoes (enough for 4 servings)
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1 to 1½ cups shredded Cheddar cheese (4 to 6 ounces)
8 slices bacon, crisply cooked and crumbled
Dairy sour cream, if desired

Heat oven to 425°. Lightly grease cookie sheet. Prepare potatoes as directed on package for 4 servings except—decrease water to 1 cup. Stir in flour. Refrigerate until cool enough to handle, about 10 minutes. Divide dough into 16 equal parts. Shape each part into ball. Flatten balls to ¼-inch thickness into oval shapes on cookie sheet; prick each several times with fork. Bake until edges and bottoms are dark brown, 20 to 25 minutes. Sprinkle cheese and bacon over tops. Bake until cheese is melted, 1 to 2 minutes longer. Serve with sour cream. 16 appetizers.

High Altitude Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): Bake 25 to 30 minutes.

More and more men are feeling at home pushing a grocery cart and making meals. Shopping and cooking are no longer "woman's work." By choice and out of necessity they are seeking foods and recipes, like Cheesy Potato Patties; quick and easy to prepare, with "gourmet" flair in taste and appearance.

CHEESY POTATO PATTIES

Potato Buds mashed potatoes (enough for 4 servings)
½ cup shredded Cheddar cheese
¼ cup chopped onion
½ cup Potato Buds mashed potatoes (dry)
2 to 4 tablespoons margarine or butter

Prepare potatoes as directed on package for 4 servings except—decrease water to 1 cup. Stir in cheese and onion. Refrigerate until cool enough to handle, about 10 minutes. Divide into 6 equal parts; shape each into patty. Coat patties with dry potatoes. Heat margarine in 10-inch skillet until melted. Cook patties over medium heat until golden brown, 3 to 4 minutes on each side. 6 patties.

High Altitude Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): No adjustments are necessary.

The singular sensation of the 80's is changing food production and packaging more than any other lifestyle. From young singles to seniors, those cooking for one or a few are seeking nutritious, quality products and recipes with convenient preparation and minimal clean-up. One-Pan Chicken Fiesta and Potatoes Italiano are elegant meals for two or three diners.

ONE-PAN CHICKEN FIESTA

1 package au gratin potatoes
1¼ cups boiling water
½ cup milk
2 tablespoons canned diced green chilies, drained
2 chicken breast halves (excess fat removed)
¼ cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
¼ cup shredded Cheddar cheese
1 medium tomato, chopped

Heat oven to 400°. Place half of the potato slices (about 1¼ cups) and half of the Sauce Mix (about ¼ cup) in ungreased square pan, 8 x 8 x 2 inches.* Stir in boiling water, milk and chilies. Place chicken breasts on top. Bake uncovered until chicken is done and potatoes are tender, 45 to 50 minutes. Sprinkle with cheeses; bake until melted, about 5 minutes longer. Garnish with chopped tomato. 2 servings.

*Store remaining potato slices and Sauce Mix in resealable plastic bags up to 2 weeks.

High Altitude Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): Increase boiling water to 1½ cups and first bake time to about 1 hour 10 minutes.

POTATOES ITALIANO

1 package au gratin potatoes
1 cup cut-up cooked turkey or chicken
½ cup chopped green pepper
½ cup chopped onion
1¼ cups boiling water
½ cup milk
2 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
1 tablespoon margarine or butter
½ teaspoon dried oregano leaves
½ teaspoon dried basil leaves
¼ teaspoon pepper
1 clove garlic, crushed
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese (4 ounces)

Heat oven to 400°. Place half of the potato slices (about 1¼ cups) and half of the Sauce Mix (about ¼ cup) in ungreased 1-quart casserole.* Stir in remaining ingredients except cheese. Bake uncovered until potatoes are tender and mixture is hot, 25 to 30 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese; bake until melted, about 5 minutes longer. Let stand a few minutes before serving. 2 or 3 servings.

Microwave Directions: Mix half of the potatoes (about 1¼ cups), 1¼ cups hot water and 1 tablespoon margarine or butter in 1½-quart round microwavable casserole.* Cover with waxed paper and microwave on high (100%) 8 minutes. Stir in half of the Sauce Mix (about ¼ cup), the turkey, green pepper, onion, milk, mustard, ¼ teaspoon oregano and ¼ teaspoon basil. Cover with waxed paper and microwave until potatoes are tender and mixture is hot, 6 to 9 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese; let stand covered 5 minutes before serving. 2 or 3 servings.

*Store remaining potato slices and Sauce Mix in resealable plastic bags up to 2 weeks.

High Altitude Conventional Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): Increase first bake time to 40 to 45 minutes.

High Altitude Microwave Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): Increase water to 1½ cups and first microwave time to 13 minutes.

Working women are won over by do-ahead tips, microwave instructions, economical ingredients and 4 to 6 serving

recipes loaded with family appeal. Time may be short, but interest in nutrition, taste and overall quality is still plentiful. Deep Dish Potato Pot Pie is an ideal candidate to become a new family favorite.

DEEP-DISH POTATO POT PIE

1 package au gratin potatoes
4 cups water
1 cup water
¼ cup milk
½ cup dairy sour cream
1 can (10¼ ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup
1½ cups cut-up fully cooked smoked ham
1 package (10 ounces) frozen peas and carrots, rinsed and drained
1 jar (2 ounces) diced pimientos, drained
1 jar (2½ ounces) sliced mushrooms, drained
½ package (11-ounce size) pie crust mix

Heat potatoes and 4 cups water to boiling in 3-quart saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until tender, 13 to 15 minutes; drain. Stir in Sauce Mix, 1 cup water and the remaining ingredients except pie crust mix. Heat to boiling; cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until thickened, 5 to 7 minutes. Pour into ungreased 3-quart casserole.

Heat oven to 400°. Prepare pie crust mix as directed on package for One-Crust Pie. Roll pastry into 10-inch circle; place over potato mixture. Make slits in pastry to allow steam to escape. Bake until potato mixture is bubbly and crust is brown, 35 to 40 minutes. 6 servings.

Do-ahead Tip: After pouring potato mixture into casserole, cover and refrigerate up to 24 hours. Top with pastry; cut slits. Bake 40 to 45 minutes.

High Altitude Directions (over 3500 feet): Not recommended for use.

The potato has become a pace setter in meeting the demands of potato lovers. Modern technology has treated the potato well, expanding and enhancing its place on the plate. Preparation is streamlined and flavor variations abound, offering increased main and side dish options.

In short, potatoes for the eighties promise more pizzazz than ever before!

around town

Lee Youth Center, located next to Lee High School, is open from noon-4 p.m. weekdays during July. Students entering grades nine through 12 are invited use the recreational facilities, including pool, ping pong, chess, break dancing and video game tournaments. There is no admission charge. For more information call 694-2881 from noon-4 p.m., ask for Amy or Manuel.

ALTRUSA CLUB will have its annual breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at 1903 Hughes.

MIDLAND SENIOR Center, 2500 Delano Ave., will have its Quarterly Membership Council Meeting 10 a.m. Thursday.

The center will also have a free blood pressure check for senior citizens 9:30 a.m.-noon July 16.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of University Women Career Women's Group will meet 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Red Lobster restaurant. This mini-networking group meets once a month. Any woman holding a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college is welcome. For more information call 687-9453.

MIDLAND CAMERA Club will meet 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Marian Blakemore Planetarium in Haley Park for a program covering "Tips on Exposure Settings" by Jack Jordan, a long-time member of the camera club and winner of several competitions. The meeting is open to the public.

SURVIVING SPOUSE Group will meet at 1 p.m. July 20 in the community room of Texas American Bank. Jim Boldrick will be guest speaker. All widowed persons are invited to attend.

WORKS OF Edward Curtis, photographer, historian and artist, will be exhibited through Aug. 15 at the Museum of the Southwest. Featured will be Curtis' Prints and Photographs of American Indians. Also on display will be Indian artifacts from Southwestern tribes. The museum is open free of charge from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

WEST TEXAS Astronomers will meet Thursday at the Marion Blakemore Planetarium. Activities will include a club picnic, a current sky presentation in the planetarium and a telescope viewing session in the park.

UNITED OSTOMY Association will meet at 2:30 p.m. July 21 at Odessa Medical Center Hospital auditorium. Filmstrips "Anatomy of Ostomy" and "Ileal Conduit" will be presented.

CLASS REUNION for Midland High School and Lee High School classes of 1965 is planned for Aug. 2-3. Persons with information regarding addresses of members of these classes call 682-7406 or 682-5659.

FACT, Families All Coming Together, meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the annex of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 1412 W. Illinois. This organization is primarily a discussion and support group for families associated with substance abuse. Anyone may unconditionally attend. For more information call 683-8588.

DIVORCED MEMBERS Association Clubs Inc. meets at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at 3101 Lockheed for potluck dinner, business meeting, swimming, dancing and games. Children of members and guests are invited to attend. For more information call 686-9457.

SOCCER SIGN-UP will continue through Aug. 14. Fee is \$20. For more information call MSA office at 686-1894. Forms are available at the MSA office or Midland Parks and Recreation Department.

NEWCOMER'S CLUB of Midland will have a get-acquainted coffee for newcomers, members and guests at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at 5512 Cypress Ct. For more information call 687-2423 or 687-1028.

FIRST BAPTIST Church will be sponsoring a trip to Ridgecrest, N.C., for the Ridgecrest Senior Adult Conference Sept. 22 through Oct. 5. The group will visit Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, New York and Boston, as well as attend the Conference itself, which will be Sept. 23-27. Cost will be approximately \$1,000. For more information contact Charles Elliott at 682-7060 for First Baptist Church Activities Building.

STANTON HIGH School's class of 1955 is planning a 30-year reunion and compiling a "30-Year Memory Lane Booklet."

All classmates and teachers from 1955 or the previous 12 years, or persons knowing someone who attended SHS during that time should write Class of 1955, P.O. Box 1094, Stanton, Tex. 79782.

ARNEY COMMUNITY Schoolhouse, the oldest schoolhouse in Castro County still being used as a community building, has been approved for a historical marker. A reunion of all interested persons, former residents, pupils and teachers is planned at the time of dedication. For more information contact Mrs. Lavern H. Wilhelm, Rt. 2, Box 76, Happy, Tex. 79042, (808) 647-3661.

Shortbread goes to reunion

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
AP Food Editor

As you would expect, food provides special pleasure at family reunions. Members of a "clan" often bring old standbys and new favorites.

When I heard that a friend of mine baked Almond Shortbread Cookies to take to a recent North Carolina reunion, I asked her for the recipe. With it she sent this delightful account of her memories of the foods served.

"When I was young, our family reunions were Sunday affairs that took place on my Granddaddy's farm where long tables, covered with snow-white tablecloths, were set up under the oak trees. In those days I was more interested in playing with my dozens of cousins than in the vast expanse of food. However, I remember vividly the sandwiches my mother brought, easily picked out from others because my mother cut off all the crusts. And her fillings were always the same — some pimiento cheese, some cream cheese with chopped stuffed olives or with crushed pineapple."

"After I moved to New York, married and had children, I seldom had a chance to attend the annual reunions. But two years ago, after more than three decades of missed

reunions, I made the pilgrimage. Would any of the old familiar foods be there? Yes, fried chicken, of course. And an aunt brought a North Carolina favorite called Chicken and Dumplings but topped with pastry strips. Another aunt made her old standby, Banana Cake, looking exactly like the Banana Cake I first tasted as a teenager.

"The cookies came from 'The Carolina Collection,' a fine regional cookbook. It was published by The Junior League of Fayetteville, N.C., in 1978 and is still available."

ALMOND SHORTBREAD COOKIES

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cornstarch
- 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 cup almonds, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Combine flour, cornstarch and confectioners' sugar. Stir in nuts. Add butter; blend with a wooden spoon until a soft dough forms. Shape dough into small balls. Place on ungreased cookie sheet; flatten each ball with a lightly floured fork. Bake 15 to 25 minutes or until edges are lightly browned. Cool before storing. Yields: 3 dozen.

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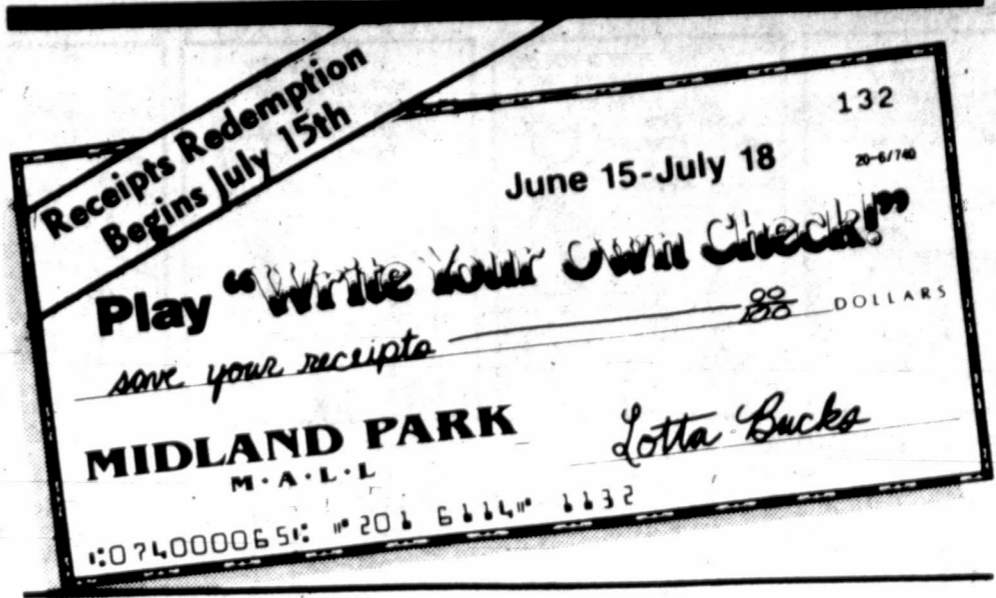
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PS	.69	V52	H	5950	1785
BR	.70	S12	J	5050	1515
MQ	.72	V51	J	6850	2055
MQ	.76	V51	J	7990	2397
OY	.90	S11	K	4990	1497
BR	.95	S12	I	7990	2399
OY	1.02	I2	G	6900	2070
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BR	1.04	I2	H	5150	1545
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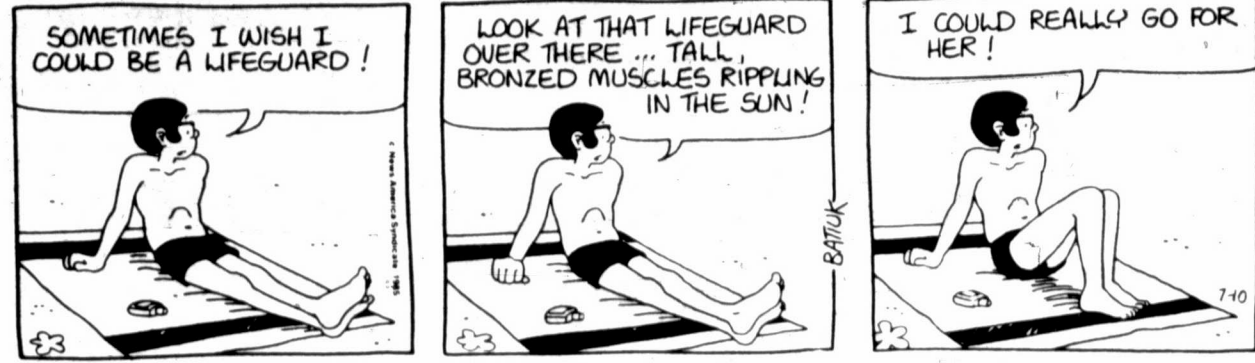
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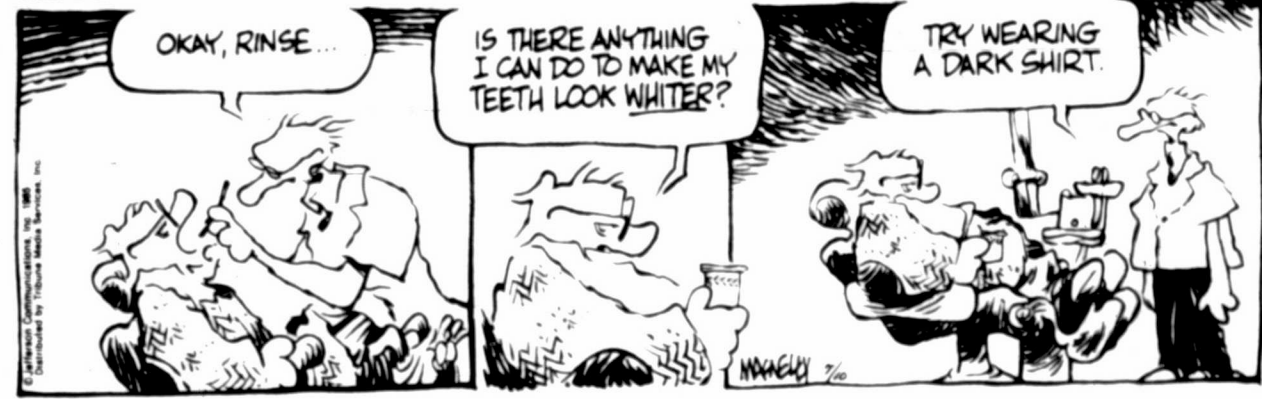
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Your horoscope

Thursday, July 11, 1985
YOUR BIRTHDAY TODAY: Stop procrastinating and get busy promoting your special talents.
ARIES (March 21-April 19): A real estate or domestic matter requires immediate attention.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Business travel is expensive but necessary.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF
A DEFENDER WITH NO HEART
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Mayor won't be giving Madonna key to city because of nude photos

CHICAGO (AP) — While Playboy tries to skin Penthouse in a race to publish nude pictures of Madonna, the mayor of the sultry singer's hometown says he is withdrawing an offer to give her a key to the city because of the photos.

Playboy's September issue, featuring nude poses by Madonna, will be on newsstands in major cities by Tuesday. Outlets in the rest of the country are to receive the issue by the end of next week.

Penthouse had announced its plans Sunday to publish in an unspecified issue nude photos of the rock star, known for her risque costumes and suggestive caressing onstage.

"No key to the city for Madonna," Mayor Timothy Sullivan of Bay City, Mich., said Tuesday. "We'll give her a warm welcome, but the key represents the citizens of the community, and it would not be in good taste to give her the key given certain circumstances."

Madonna Louise Veronica Ciccone, 26, was born in Bay City but grew up in the Detroit suburb of Rochester. Bay City had offered her the key as an enticement to perform at a homecoming concert. She had not decided.

Penthouse Publisher Bob Guccione said Tuesday that Penthouse had turned down the photos bought by Playboy because they were "like scraping the bottom of the barrel. Having had first choice, I have the cream of the crop."



Playboy magazine released the cover of its September issue, which features the rock singer Madonna.

Guccione also said Tuesday he offered Madonna \$1 million to pose nude for his magazine. The publisher said he contacted her manager and offered to set up a photo session, but was refused, the New York Daily News reported today.

The Playboy cover carries the caption, "Madonna Nude — Unlike a Virgin... For the Very First Time."

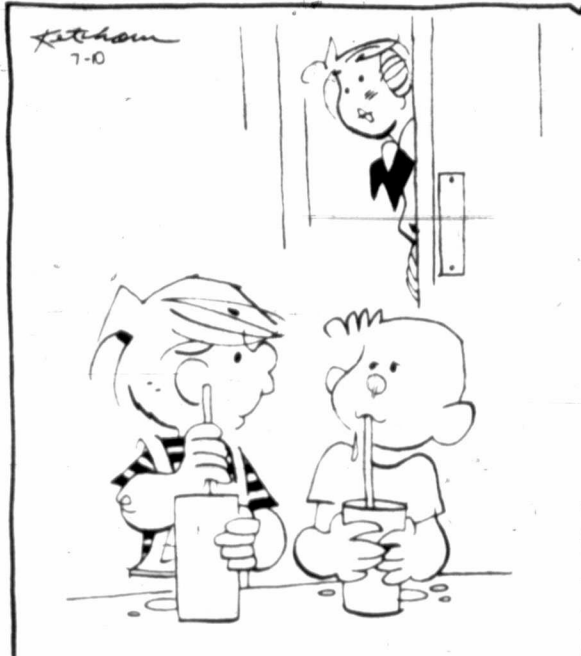
The singer's hits include a song titled "Like a Virgin."

Elizabeth Earhart Norris, publicity manager for playmates and special projects for Playboy magazine, said she did not know where Playboy obtained the photos or how much was paid for them.

Playboy's announcement — and release of its September cover, also featuring Madonna — came one day after a photographer, who was paid \$25,000 by Penthouse for his photos of the rock star, sued to get them back.

Photographer Herman Kulken and his wife, Susan, of Brownsville, Texas, asked a federal judge Monday to block publication of a 17-page Penthouse layout of Madonna that includes some of his photos. Kulken contends he never authorized their use.

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PEOPLE

Prince Charles opens Welsh song festival

LLANGOLLEN, Wales (AP) — Prince Charles opened a singing festival with a speech in Welsh, but said he was too poor a singer to give his audience a tune.

"I wish I could sing adequately enough to be able to sing my speech," the heir to the British throne said Tuesday. "But unfortunately if I did so, there would be the quickest mass exodus of a tent that had been known in the history of Llangollen Festival."

Charles, Prince of Wales, was opening the 39th Eisteddfod, the festival that brings together the finest singers in the country.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Director Peter Bogdanovich says he will abide by an ethics committee recommendation to drop his lawsuit against Universal Pictures if the company agrees to go to arbitration in a dispute over editing of the film "Mask."

The recommendations were made Tuesday by the Professional Standards Committee of the Directors Guild of America. Bogdanovich said through a spokesman that he believed the committee "has done a fair job" and was "prepared to abide by its recommendations."

The dispute centered on last-minute changes in the film that Bogdanovich contends were made without his approval.

Among the changes, Universal used music by Bob Seger instead of music by Bruce Springsteen, which Bogdanovich wanted. Bogdanovich also said two key scenes in the film were deleted.

"Mask" is a movie based on the true story of Rocky Dennis, a child born with a disfigured face. It stars Cher as the child's mother.

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — Former teen idol

David Cassidy hopes he has enough horse sense to control his passion for thoroughbred horses.

"I guess it's safe to say it's like I've got a disease," said the 35-year-old actor and singer.

"It's a great high; it's a great fix to win," said the star of early-70s TV series "The Partridge Family" at Santa Barbara's first-ever yearling thoroughbred auction Monday at Earl Warren Showgrounds.

Cassidy said he and his wife Meryl have raised thoroughbreds since the mid-1970s. He owns a ranch in the Santa Ynez Valley near President Reagan's mountaintop Rancho del Cielo.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Stacy Keach will return as the tough-talking private eye Mike Hammer in a two-hour television movie this fall, CBS says.

Keach's TV detective career in "Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer" was cut short when he was sentenced in England last December to nine months in prison for cocaine smuggling. He was released June 7 with time off for good behavior.

The CBS contract announced Tuesday includes an option for six episodes if the movie generates a large enough rating.

Executive producer Jay Bernstein said he regarded the action as a victory in his long campaign to have CBS bring the show back. The series went off the air in February when it ran out of original episodes.

"I didn't expect them to put us right back on the schedule," Bernstein said. "It's too complicated."



Evening TV Schedule



ICEMAN COMETH

Willie Nelson portrays Red Moon, an American imprisoned in a Siberian gulag, in "Coming Out of the Ice," a CBS movie airing Wednesday, July 10. (rebroadcast)

WEDNESDAY JULY 10, 1985

Programs subject to change without notice

Table with columns for time slots (5:00-12:00) and various TV channels (KMD, KOSA, KTPX, S.L.N., KERA, ESPN, SHOWTIME, WTBS, WGN, TBN) listing their respective programs.

DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Trude Michel Jaffe

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words. Includes clues like 'Helper. Abbr.', 'Smetana's bride', 'Battle and others'.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

Grid showing the answers to the previous crossword puzzle, including words like AMOK, MECCA, SAND, DALI, ATOLL, TRIO, OXEN, DUMAS, EDEN, GIRDLED, GRECO, VAN, DIEU, WIENER, ADORED, PRADO, SIRE, OTOE, VOW, COMETH, THROUGH, WITH, OSS, INST, AORTA, HAVOC, FINGER, SQUARE, ROOT, ORF, CURVE, DARWIN, RIGA, TOTAL, LUCK, ATEN, UNCLE, RARE, MESA, ETHER, BRYN.

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THE BUTCHER

No oxen perished at 'Sonoma Ox-Roast'

By MERLE ELLIS

It's called an "Ox-Roast." They don't actually roast an ox anymore. They probably never did. But it has such a nice ring to it, doesn't it — The Sonoma Ox-Roast.

Held in the historic Sonoma Plaza on the first Sunday of June every year, the Sonoma Ox-Roast is one of the many gastronomic events in the California wine country, and like the city of Sonoma itself, it has a long and illustrious history.

According to George Sutter, head cook at this year's roast (and, incidentally, descendant of the man who owned the mill where gold was discovered in California), the event dates back to the days when the flag of Spain flew over the plaza. Ranchers would come in for a spring fiesta, put an ox on a spit over the coals and then take turns turning it while everybody sang and danced and drank a little tequila.

"WE STOPPED roasting a whole ox a few years back," George told me. "It's not really very practical." The loin and ribs get done before the rounds get cooked through and there is a great deal of difference in the degree of tenderness from one part of the animal to another.

"It used to be a lot of fun, though," George added. "We'd start about 5 p.m. on Saturday, build the fire, spike the meat and season it with our special ox-roast seasoning, then we'd roast it all night long."

"You know how we used to tell when it was done?" one of George's helpers asked, as he leaned on the handle of a rake they use to smooth out the coals. "We'd put out four quarts of tequila and when the cooks had finished that 'sauce', the ox was done."

They roast boneless beef rounds these days, 3000 pounds of top round, bottom round and round tips (sirloin tips). The hunks of meat, 8 to 12 pounds each, are rubbed well with a special ox-roast seasoning. It's a secret blend, of course, and available only in Sonoma at the Sonoma Cheese Factory (2 Spain Street, Sonoma, CA 95476). The recipe that follows is my own adaptation.

THE MEAT is grilled over hardwood charcoal briquets. The pieces are first cooked 30 minutes on each side to sear in the juices, then they are turned every hour 'til done, usually about four hours.

The beef is served very simply, unadorned by any fancy sauce, with an

ear of buttered corn, a tossed salad and a thick slice of Sonoma French bread. It's a marvelous meal.

Having a small version of the Sonoma ox-roast in your own backyard is fun and a fairly simple way to entertain on almost any summer Sunday or holiday. You can duplicate, on a smaller scale, what they do on the plaza in Sonoma, with almost any type of barbecue grill, but my preference is for one with a spit so I can roast my piece of ox the old-fashioned way.

Any one of several cuts of beef may be used. The best by far, however, is a rib-eye roll. They don't use that to feed the masses at the Sonoma Ox-Roast — it is a bit too expensive for that — but for the best in a backyard ox-roast, that is the cut I would recommend. It is just the boneless heart of the standing rib. It is uniform in thickness from one end to the other, cooks evenly and turns nicely on a spit.

IT IS well-marbled with streaks of fat inside the meat, which bastes the grill as it turns. If you're using a grill without a rotisserie, be sure to put a drip pan under the meat to minimize flare ups.

The top-ground and the sirloin tip

are two of the cuts they use in Sonoma that I would recommend. The bottom round, however, is a little on the tough side cooked over open coals. In a covered cooker, with a lot of tender loving care, it can be okay, but not for an ox-roast. The same is true of the shoulder cuts, chuck and shoulder clod.

Any roast cooked over coals will come off better, more juicy and flavorful, if cooked long and slow over moderate heat. So don't use enough charcoal to cook a whole ox just for a piece of one.

OX-ROAST SEASONING

- 3 tablespoons salt
 - 3 tablespoons coarsely-ground black pepper
 - 1 tablespoon garlic powder
 - 1 tablespoon paprika
 - 1 tablespoon hickory smoked salt
 - 1 tablespoon curry powder
 - 1 tablespoon celery salt
 - 1 tablespoon parsley flakes
 - 2 teaspoons thyme
 - 2 teaspoons tarragon
 - 2 teaspoons oregano
- Mix all ingredients together. Puncture roast all over with a fork. Sprinkle on seasoning and rub into the meat well. Let sit at room temperature for 20 minutes before put-

ting the meat on the spit or the grill.

Corn on the cob is a must when serving up an ox, and traditional at the Sonoma Ox-Roast. The best way I have found of doing it, however, I did not find there. This is the way we used to do it at fourth of July picnics at the city park in Ponca, Nebraska, when I was a kid.

Buy corn with the husks still intact and snug up around the ear. Don't do anything to them in the way of trimming or husking or anything. Make asolution — enough to cover the corn in a big pan (we used to use a wash tub) — using a cup of salt per gallon of water. Soak the corn for 30- to 45-minutes in the salt water, then drain the ears and place them on the grill over the coals. Cook for 15 to 20 minutes, turning often 'til the husks are charred all around.

Using heavy gloves, take the corn off the grill and peel back the husks to form a handle (the silks come off much easier after cooking). Using the husks as a handle, rub the ear of corn across a block of well-chilled butter, sprinkle on a little salt and gnaw away.

Merle Ellis is a columnist for Chronicle Publishing Co.

Muffin from 'Winery'

By ROSE DOSTI
Los Angeles Times-
Washington Post News Service

The Winery in Mammoth Lakes, Calif., was happy to provide this recipe for muffins containing oatmeal, coconut and strawberry preserves.

THE WINERY'S OATMEAL-COCONUT MUFFINS

- 1 cup rolled oats
 - 1 cup buttermilk
 - 1 cup sifted flour
 - ¼ teaspoon salt
 - ¼ teaspoon baking soda
 - ¼ teaspoon baking powder
 - ¼ cup melted shortening or oil
 - ¼ cup brown sugar, packed
 - 1 egg
 - ¼ cup shredded coconut
 - Strawberry preserves
- Combine oats and buttermilk in bowl. Let soak at least 30 minutes. Sift flour with salt, baking soda and baking powder. Blend together melted shortening, brown sugar, egg and coconut, then add to oatmeal mixture. Blend well. Stir in dry ingredients, mixing only enough to moisten. Spoon into greased muffin tins. Using small teaspoon, place preserves in center of each muffin and cover with dab of dough. Bake at 400 degrees 20 minutes. Makes 1 dozen.

Fig leaves scratchy

Copley News Service

If you wanted to cover your nudity, you could do better than fig leaves, for their raspy surface would make them uncomfortable to wear. However, they do keep their moisture for a long time and are used for wrapping goat's cheese and fruit.

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DEAR ABBY

Obituary not right place for advice

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: I have great respect for your reasoning, and I especially admire your long answers, but sometimes your short ones don't measure up.

Specifically, when someone wrote to say that whenever she read in the newspaper that someone had died of lung cancer, she wondered if that person had been a smoker. Then she added, "I think that should be included in the report of death, don't you?"

Your reply: "Yes, I'm sure most people would like to know."

Why stop there? I suggest the following:

Died: John Doe, of liver disease after years of drinking like a fish. Survivors include Mary Doe and the Doe children, several of whom are drunks.

Died: Jane Doe, of a heart attack.

Grossly overweight, Mrs. Doe never took care of herself. Survivors include her husband, Joe "Fats" Doe.

Died: Timothy Doe, of a drug overdose, a mixture of heroin and Drano. Survivors include his parents, who take too much Valium.

Died: Richard Roe, of injuries sustained in a traffic accident. Mr. Roe had five speeding tickets in the last three years.

I don't think you gave very much thought to your reply, Abby. Clearly, obituaries are not the place to provide health advice. — CHARLES L. SMITH, SEATTLE, ATTORNEY AT LAW AND PIPE SMOKER

DEAR MR. SMITH: You are right, of course. I permitted my vehement anti-smoking bias to cloud my better judgment. Mea culpa.

DEAR ABBY: I've been going

with this fellow for over a year, and we're planning to be married in September. My problem is I'm always getting an ex-lover or girlfriend thrown in my face. He tells me about the affairs he has had, and then wants to introduce us. I keep finding their belongings (intimate apparel) all over his apartment. Yesterday was the last straw when I found some nude pictures of one of his girlfriends — taken at his place!

I really love him and keep forgiving him, but I don't know how much more I can take. Please give me some helpful advice. I have already spent \$800 on our wedding, and nothing can be returned. — HEARTBROKEN AND CONFUSED

DEAR H. AND C.: Call off the wedding and consider the \$800 tuition in the school of experience.

Marriage to this man would have cost you much more than \$800 in anguish, pain, regret, headaches, sleepless nights and acid indigestion.

CONFIDENTIAL TO LOVES TO TRAVEL: Don't take too many vacations or your boss might suddenly realize he can get along without you.

(Getting married? Send for Abby's new, updated, expanded booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send your name and address clearly printed with a check or money order for \$2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents) self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.)

Abigail Van Buren is a columnist for Universal Press Syndicate.

Brandy Cherries sweet

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
AP Food Editor

Brandy cherries is a favorite way to "put up" sweet red cherries in early summertime in many American homes. If you have not yet given yourself the pleasure of doing this, you may want to try it this year. We suggest you grab the moment — the fresh cherry season is short.

Over the years we have made Brandy Cherries in various ways, altering the proportions of sugar and brandy, using pitted or unpitted cherries, removing the stems or not. Finally we settled on the formula given here. Followed on the letter, it will produce a wonderful concoction to serve over ice cream, custards, rice and bread puddings.

BRANDY CHERRIES

Rinse and drain 1 1/2 pounds dark red sweet cherries; stem and pit, leaving whole — there should be about 4 cups. Into a straight-sided crock turn cherries, 2 cups sugar and 1 cup brandy. Do not stir. Store, covered, in a cool dark place. Weigh down with a wad of saran and a glass paperweight so as to have cherries submerged — this way they will keep their pretty color. Each day, using a large spoon, turn cherries over, but resist all temptation to stir into the sugar quickly. Continue this process — it should take weeks and weeks — until sugar is dissolved and cherries are as brandied as you like. When ready, store weighed down and covered in a cool dark place or in the refrigerator.

Brazilian Bananas coated

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
AP Food Editor

SUPPER FOR FOUR
Chowder, Salad & Rolls
Brazilian Bananas
Coffee

BRAZILIAN BANANAS

3 large ripe but firm bananas
1/4 cup sugar
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1/2 cup dry red wine

1/4 cup light corn syrup

Peel bananas, score by running a sharp-tined fork down each; cut crosswise in 1/4-inch thick slices. In a medium saucepan stir together sugar and cornstarch; gradually stir in wine and syrup, keeping smooth. Over medium heat, stirring constantly, bring to a boil and boil 1 minute. Add sliced bananas and stir until they are coated with the sauce — 1 or 2 minutes. Serve hot. Makes 4 servings. (Repeated by request.)

Sniff cork quickly

Copley News Service

A wine-bottle cork must be smelled the instant it is withdrawn, otherwise the ritual is useless because the aroma of the wine evaporates almost immediately. Thus a waiter's gesture of handing you the cork to smell is meaningless except to let you check for proper identification, says Barbara Ensrud in her new book "Wine With Food" (Congdon & Weed, \$16.95).

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Health agencies unsure of impact of cuts

By RON GILMORE
Staff Writer

A recent decision by the Reagan administration to cut an additional \$225 million from Medicare spending has local home health agencies unsure of what to expect.

The cut, following past Reagan policies reducing Medicare spending, will impose new limits on payments for home health care and for medical education and could affect up to 70 percent of home health care specialists.

Reaction has been mixed.

"It will have a wide-reaching effect on the home health care industry in general," said John Schmidt, of Contact Medical Service. "There are some things that are going to happen within home care

agencies that people have not seen before."

Schmidt indicated that Contact would be affected "very little if at all" by the cuts.

"We're almost 100 percent privately insured," he said. Schmidt predicted that increasingly tighter Medicare budgets would force more home health agencies to honor mostly private insurance.

"I think that's the way the industry is going," he said.

Two other agencies did not expect to suffer from the decision.

"To the best of my knowledge, the Health Care Finance Administration has not yet decided how the cuts will be done," said Maureen Cox, Medicare director for Nurses Unlimited. "I'm assuming that they will lower some ceilings."

"However, if a home health care

agency is well-managed and cost-effective, there shouldn't be too much of a problem."

According to Ms. Cox, Nurses Unlimited is already examining alternate plans, should the cuts have an impact.

"Unfortunately, we often don't hear about these things until the press does," she said. "We're looking at several ways of handling it."

Tom Harrell, owner of Healthcare Services Inc., appears confident that the spending cuts will not harm his business.

"We don't feel that this will have any effect on us," he said. "We are already operating at one-half the cost of the limits that they have at this time. Since 1972, we've operated so low we don't feel we'll have a direct effect."

The spending cuts also affect medical education, primarily at hospitals

which have interns; Midland has no such facility.

The two areas were included in Reagan's 1986 budget plan to trim the growth in Medicare spending by \$3.9 billion and hold spending for the health insurance program for the nation's elderly and disabled to \$77.2 billion, said a July 6 Dallas Morning News article.

The largest proposal, freezing Medicare payments to hospitals at their 1985 levels, was formally offered as a regulation last month and carried an estimated saving of \$1.8 billion.

The home health regulation affects payments to specialists in six fields — skilled nursing care, physical therapy, speech pathology, occupational therapy, medical social services and health aides.

"I want to emphasize that these rules do not impose any new costs

for beneficiaries, nor do they affect the number of visits an agency may furnish to Medicare patients," said Health and Human Services Secretary, Margaret Heckler.

"But they will indeed apply needed pressure on the higher-cost home health agencies to bring their costs into line."

However, the department noted that, if present billing practices continue unchanged, about 70 percent of the 5,940 home health care agencies participating in Medicare would violate the new cap and would be denied full reimbursement.

HHS said it expected most of those specialists to trim their rates to match the new caps, said a spokesman.

But according to Chairman of the House Aging Committee Edward Roybal, D-Calif., they would instead

pull out of the program leaving Medicare patients without care.

"The change would translate into millions of denied home health visits to elderly Americans," he said.

"The administration is only kidding itself if they think the 70 percent of all providers affected... can and will simply pull in their belts to absorb the budget cuts," he said. "Many of these will be forced to pull out of Medicare. In the end, the squeeze on providers is squeezing out people from the care they need."

Savings from the home health care changes are uncertain, said the article. Mrs. Heckler's statement pegged the savings at \$102 million over three years, the low estimate. Tables in the regulation itself offered a high estimate of \$443 million over five years.

Midland council denies permits to two churches

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Assistant City Editor

Tuesday just wasn't the day for religion in City Hall.

Two requests by religious organizations were denied by Midland City Council during a regular session in City Hall after neighbors voiced their objections.

In one public hearing, Christian Church of Midland was asking for a specific use permit for a day nursery and in the other the Seventh-day Adventist Church was asking for a permit to hold a tent revival.

Sam Listi, city planner, said the Christian Church at 2908 Neely had purchased a house adjacent to the church property and was converting it for use as a day nursery. It would handle 22 children and operate from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Normally, churches are exempt from the requirement to obtain a city permit for church-related activities, said Listi. But because the nursery won't be limited to church members, the specific permit was necessary.

Mayor G. Thane Akins pointed out that a "lot of church activities do not involve members of that church. There are activities during the summer for those who are not members."

"It becomes difficult to define what is not church-related," said Listi. "It becomes a gray area."

Steve Vaughan, 2307 Terrace, said Heritage School has been located at the Christian Church since 1980 and has had permits from the state. "We set this up as a function of the church. It's a break-even cost for us," he said of the \$75 per month per child fee.

The nursery already has been operating in the church building, according to Vaughan. "The property was purchased for church expansion, not for the school. We felt it would be more economical to move the children into this house. We also use the house for Sunday School classes."

Objecting was John Oschner, 2215 Huntington, who opposed what he called "the commercial venture. It is a commercial venture in a residential area. You can make a nice profit by operating a day care nursery." If the permit was granted, said Oschner, the council would be setting a precedent for a church to buy any property at any location and open a business.

Mrs. Bill Kimball, 2513 Neeley, said she felt "a commercial enterprise like this will tear our neighborhood down so people won't want to come in and raise their children."

"This is a very difficult question because of the special relationship we like to see with a church and neighborhood. But we don't want churches involved in something disruptive to the neighborhood setting," said Akins. He disagreed with the argument that the nursery is a profitable venture.

"Private schools usually are not

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— Mayor G. Thane Akins

money-makers," he said.

Councilman Bart Hotchkiss viewed it from the angle of private enterprise undertaking the nursery. "Then how would we have voted. That creates a problem for me."

The motion to deny the permit came from Councilwoman Oralia Corrales, basing it on the objection of citizens in the area. "We're not opposed to it, especially a Christian child care center," she said.

In the second request, Troy Wilson with the Seventh-day Adventist Church said a tent revival is a continuation of other ministries of his church. The site he had selected was located between Lamesa Road, Tyler Street, Cherry and Garden Lanes. The revival would be from 7 to 9 p.m. for five to six weeks.

But residents along the 1100 block of East Cherry Lane objected, not because of the revival, but because their street is unpaved and they didn't want to put up with the dust from the traffic.

Councilwoman Katie Heck, in agreeing with the motion to deny the permit, said she was doing it after having voted against another somewhat less disruptive school based on neighborhood objection.

Afterward, the mayor said, "Sorry. It's our day against church activities."

In other action, the council approved advertising for bids for snow removal equipment to be located at Midland Regional Airport. Estimated cost is \$250,000 with the city paying 10 percent and the Federal Aviation Administration the rest.

The council also turned down a request from citizens of Fairmont Park Addition who requested stop signs be placed on Tremont Street to slow down the traffic.

Public Works Director Fred Baker said traffic counts didn't warrant stop signs in accordance with a uniform traffic code manual. Instead, the council decided to request the police department monitor the traffic along Tremont and for the traffic department staff to conduct another study in six months. Yield signs on side streets will be changed to stop signs.



Storage shed fire

This metal storage shed near the intersection of Cloverdale Road and County Road 1150 was destroyed by a fire Tuesday. The fire, which was reported about 7:39 p.m., was extinguished with about

2,000 gallons of water, fire reports said. The owner had not been determined this morning.

Odessa murder trial continues

By FRANK TROMBLEY
Staff Writer

ODESSA — The murder trial of 35-year-old Danny Fletcher McCubbin continues in 161st District Court this morning, and District Attorney Eric Augesen was expected to rest the state's case before the noon hour.

A jury of eight men and four women Tuesday afternoon began hearing testimony in the trial of McCubbin, accused of the Sept. 5, 1984, killing of 47-year-old Curtis Smith.

The second witness to testify was pathologist Dr. Robert Bright. McCubbin is alleged to have fired three shots into Smith as he lay on the ground near his vehicle after being shot twice with a shotgun by 32-year-old Kenneth Wayne Richards, who has been convicted of the crime and sentenced to 99 years in prison.

Responding to questions from Augesen Tuesday afternoon, Bright explained that the two shotgun blasts hit Curtis in the neck and temple area of the head and that bullets from the handgun hit in some of the same areas. He couldn't

tell which of the shots killed Smith, Bright said, because "all of the shots occurred when the victim had a pumping heart," thus any one of the five shots could have killed Smith.

McCubbin's defense attorney, G. David Smith, had been expected to argue McCubbin shouldn't be charged with murder, contending Smith was already dead when the final three shots were fired.

Apparently anticipating Smith's strategy, Augesen sought to blunt that argument by allowing Bright to explain in detail that any of the gunshot wounds would have been fatal.

The first witness to take the stand

after jury selection was completed shortly before 3 p.m. was Roy Pittman, an employee of Roy's Tong Service, 8510 W. Highway 80, where Smith was a shop foreman.

Smith was shot to death and robbed while he was getting equipment ready about 1 a.m. Sept. 5 for an early morning job.

Pittman described how he arrived at the yard, found Smith lying beside his pickup truck, determined he was not breathing and went to the Red X truck stop on the north

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Man charged with misdemeanor assault

From Staff Reports

A Midland man arrested Friday for attempted sexual assault was later charged with a misdemeanor assault offense instead, according to the Sheriff's Office.

The suspect had been arrested after a 35-year-old Midland woman was found walking on the Rankin Highway about 2:30 a.m. wearing only a plastic trash sack. He had first been suspected of attempted rape, but after further investigation he was only charged with the lesser

offense.

A \$12,000 engine and about \$4,900 worth of tools were reported stolen by Hugh Brittain, 4607 Brookdale. The burglary occurred sometime between Thursday and Tuesday, reports said.

Silverware worth about \$2,866 was reported missing after a June 24 burglary at the home of Douglas E. Masten, 1600 W. Pecan, reports said.

Lesley Watts, 4316 Princeton, reported the loss of a \$1,500 necklace and other items worth a total of \$1,905 in a Tuesday burglary, reports

said.

A \$1,200 ring and a \$500 wedding band were reported stolen by Kimberly Marie Skaggs, 5009 Rio Grande. The theft occurred sometime between Friday and Saturday, reports said.

Ramon Lara, 1700 Garden Lane, reported the loss of a \$599 television and \$40 worth of ice cream in a burglary which occurred sometime between Monday and Tuesday, reports said.

Chuck Madrid, 1208 Garden Lane, reported the loss of two sets of trac-

tor weights with a combined value of \$600, a \$285 ceiling fan and other items for a total loss of \$985 from a rental house he owns on County Road 1020. The burglary of the unoccupied house occurred sometime between July 2 and Monday, according to reports.

A \$450 television, a \$300 pistol, a \$250 diamond necklace and other items with a total value of about \$1,519 were reported stolen by Anise Foster, Route 1, Box 308. The burglary occurred sometime between Monday and Tuesday, reports said.

VIEWPOINT

Should high school students be allowed to dine out at lunch?

By JULIE HILLRICHS
Staff Writer

Should Midland's high school students be allowed to dine in or dine out?

That is the question facing the Midland Independent School District Board of Trustees as much attention has been focused recently on the district's open campus policy — in effect at Midland and Lee high schools since 1979.

MISD president Bill Jackson June 15 appointed a 13-member committee, comprised of parents, teachers, students and administrators, to study the proposed closing of the high school campuses and to determine whether students should be

prohibited from leaving campus during the school day.

The committee, headed by assistant superintendent Garland Chapman, resulted after about 40 persons signed petitions requesting that school trustees close the campuses to help curb congested traffic and substance abuse problems which are reportedly associated with students leaving the school grounds.

The movement has been supported by local law enforcement officials, leaders of various substance abuse programs and the majority of school board members.

In a random interview with various Midlanders, several expressed displeasure over closing the campuses, noting that such a proposal would be "adverse."



Ted Windecker Alma Rubio Robert Jameson Mike Hill

"I think that's silly," Midlander Ted Windecker said. "What we need to do instead of that kind of silliness is develop some kind of responsibility training."

"Why treat them like children?" he asked. "The process of education is one of maturation. This is adverse. It's negative reinforcement."

Alma Rubio said, "I don't think

that's right. It's not going to resolve the problem. It's only going to make it worse. The more they try to restrict the students, the more trapped they're going to be."

Her companion, Yolanda Fuentes disagreed, however, saying "I think it's good in some ways. They have it (closed campuses) in my home town and it's working."

The justification for closing the campuses, according to Midlander Robert Jameson, is "wrong."

"They're (students) going to do that (use drugs and alcohol) anyway," he said.

In a 1984-85 study, MISD reported the Midland Police Department conducted 87 searches for drug and other substances at the district's three junior high, two freshman and

two high schools.

Of those 87 searches, school officials reported six incidents in which drugs or unlawful substances were discovered on campus.

According to Midlander Kevin Story, "if it (closing the campuses) cuts down on alcohol and drugs, it's fine. I'm for it."

Hellen Martin agreed.

"It would be a good idea to close it," she said. "It would keep them out of trouble. Maybe it would help them learn more and study."

Mike Hill, on the other hand, said, "I don't know what the problems are, but I think (closing the campuses) would place too many restrictions on kids. They've got to have a little freedom."

ENTERTAINMENT

Thomas: 'Miami Vice' is 'alchemy on film'

By CHARLOTTE PORTER
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Philip Michael Thomas bent over an envelope, working out the numerical charts of a visitor, and mused, "My life is so interesting."

With that gem of an understatement, the co-star of NBC's hit series, "Miami Vice," proceeded to spend the next 20 minutes discussing what the charts showed him about his visitor.

It's not that Thomas is reticent. "This helps me stimulate my mind," he explained.

So what do his calculations show him about himself?

"I am on such a strong power. I just turned 36, which is a nine — three plus six is nine — and after this year it's like ones and eights, power, power, power, power, all the way."

Thomas, who says he never had to follow the path of many actors and wash dishes for a living, now finds himself at the center of a hurricane of attention created by "Miami Vice," a series he likens to "alchemy on film."

If it is sometimes scary, it comes to him as no surprise after a career that began at age 19 when he won a part in the San Francisco production of "Hair."

"I MUST ADMIT I get taken aback sometimes but I knew it would happen, and knew it would happen when I first got in the business because I've never settled for less than 100 percent."

Thomas is a man of contagious self-confidence. His energy is almost palpable; his mind flashes at Mach speed from subject to subject, ranging in the span of a few minutes from computers to ancient Egypt to space travel to television.

He's brimming with plans for his new album, a possible TV special and a line of women's clothing, full of praise for his co-workers on "Miami Vice" and eager to show others a path they can follow to success.

"I constantly construct and reconstruct my consciousness, and I'm constantly learning," he said on a break in recent filming here of next fall's season premiere of "Miami Vice."

"I believe if a man hasn't found something worth standing for then a man will fall for anything, and I do have some pretty solid things that I live by. It's just a matter of passing on things."

He calls television "neurolinguistic programming, or hypnosis," that leaves a permanent image in the brain. Striving for excellence is

essential "because not too many of us know any history past television. It is the thing that is the guiding light. We have to have people that are sensitive to humanity because it could be very destructive."

THOMAS PLAYS Ricardo Tubbs, a New York beat cop who follows his brother's killer to Miami and winds up staying to work with vice detective Sonny Crockett, played by Don Johnson.

"Philip has immense natural talent, immense grace," said "Miami Vice" executive producer Michael Mann.

Mann said Thomas represents "a new kind of black man on television, and movies as far as that goes" — an "extremely sophisticated, urbane black man who's proud of and draws from black culture...without making it into his identity."

"That's very nice," said Thomas. "I couldn't have said it any better."

For his part, Thomas calls himself "American gumbo" — part American black, part American Indian, part Irish and part German.

It's a combination that hasn't always been irresistible to image-makers. Thomas, who has green eyes and coppery skin, recalls making the rounds of modeling agencies only to have them say, "Uh...what are you?"

"Isn't it interesting the way times change?" he asked.

When he first went after the role of Tubbs, "they thought I was a terrific actor but I wasn't right for the part."

"I was in the last 10 of the Tubbses and Don was in the last 10 of the Crocketts." Thomas was almost out the door when he was called back to read with Johnson. "The magic was there and they saw it...and the rest is history."

NOW, THE RATINGS are way up and he's being mobbed by fans.

"The phenomenon that is taking place across the board on all dimensions, not only just the covers of magazines but what is happening in the hearts of people that watch it every Friday night, it blows my mind," he said.

Thomas sees "Miami Vice" as a stepping stone in his five-year plan to win each of the major entertainment awards — the Emmy, the Grammy, the Oscar and the Tony.

"It feels so good to know that you're there," he said. "It's no longer a dream...I am living it."

Meanwhile, "I'm still learning to work harder than ever, to keep it moving," he said. "It's been fantastic, but I recognize that I've got to go back to the drawing board, continue to be creative, continue to let the light shine and continue to be multi-dimensional."



Pink plumage

Miss Bahamas, 21-year-old Cleopatra Maria Adderly, adorns herself in feathers representing a flamingo, her country's national bird, at the opening ceremonies of the 1985 Miss Universe pageant this week.

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Janis endures pain for music

NEW YORK (AP) — Concert pianist Byron Janis has been performing for 12 years with a painful secret: He has arthritis in his hands.

It wasn't easy for the 57-year-old artist to publicly admit his illness because he didn't want sympathy or advice, and he didn't want listeners to blame any missed notes on his condition.

However, Janis decided to talk about his arthritis because he thought it would help others.

"It has been like a life and death struggle almost every day," he said in an interview. "Music to me was life. At any point, the thought of not being able to continue as a pianist was a terrifying one. I felt I must go on; it was horrendous but I did."

Janis has severe psoriatic arthritis which has resulted in limitation of movement and pain in his neck, right shoulder, jaw, wrists and fingers.

He was diagnosed 12 years ago when he went to a doctor in London for a scaly patch on his scalp. Janis can bend only one distal joint — the one closest to the fingernails. However, he can't make a fist.

While doctors have been amazed that he could play at all, Janis said, "I managed to maintain a very high standard. Otherwise I would have stopped. There were moments when I wasn't in top form. Those moments occur anyway."

"Human will and passion and discipline are very important. I've had those naturally. It's part of my nature."

A turning point came last summer, which made Janis decide to offer his services to the Arthritis Foundation. He was named its "ambassador for the arts."

"I was feeling awful. I decided the cortisone I was taking for three years was not being as effective," he recalled.

"I thought, I may not be able to play much any more. The thought occurred to me that there is one thing to do, to help others. I have, after all, done this for 12 years and that in itself I think would be of help to others, to know what you can do under such a circumstance."

As well as playing his regular 40 or 50 concerts a year, Janis will play some benefit concerts for the foundation and talk about a subject he's accustomed to keeping quiet. Until about a year ago, only his doctors and his wife, Maria, who is the late actor Gary Cooper's daughter, knew about the condition.

For one thing, a glance at the pianist's hands doesn't show a problem. "Two years ago we were invited for dinner at the White House. I was seated next to (artist) Andrew Wyeth."

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Exile's 'She's A Miracle' still number one country song

Associated Press

Best-selling country-western records of the week based on Cashbox magazine's nationwide survey:

1. "She's A Miracle," Exile
2. "Forgiving You Was Easy," Willie Nelson
3. "Dixie Road," Lee Greenwood
4. "She Keeps The Home Fires

5. "Hello Mary Lou" The Statler Brothers
6. "Love Don't Care," Earl Thomas Conley
7. "It's A Short Walk From Heaven To Hell," John Schneider
8. "Heart Trouble," Steve Wariner
9. "Maybe My Baby," Louise Mandrell

10. "Operator, Operator," Eddy Raven

Best-selling pop records of the week based on Cashbox magazine's nationwide survey:

1. "Sussudio," Phil Collins
2. "A View To A Kill," Duran Duran
3. "Raspberry Beret," Prince and the New Power Generation

4. "Heaven," Bryan Adams
5. "Everybody Wants To Rule The World," Tears For Fears
6. "In My House," Mary Jane Girls
7. "Angel," Madonna
8. "Would I Lie To You," Eurythmics
9. "Everytime You Go Away," Paul Young
10. "Voices Carry," Til Tuesday

'Jockocracy' commentates on commentating

Copley News Service

LOS ANGELES — Howard Cosell may be gone from a regular high-visibility role in network television, such as ABC's "Monday Night Football," but his words live on in memory.

Cosell and words go together like beer and potbellies. One of the words the lawyer-turned-sports-caster coined was "jockocracy," which he used to put down ex-athletes who leap into the broadcasting booth on the basis of their on-the-field reputations, rather than any announcing or journalistic expertise.

In so doing, Cosell earned himself a permanent place in the hall of shame of his former Monday-night colleagues — jocks all — and among other broadcasters who once played the game.

NBC, holding its previews of new fall TV shows here, brought in several of its sports commentators and executives. There among them was a former jock — former NFL wide receiver Ahmad Rashad, now a commentator for NBC — so inevitably the fairness and accuracy of Cosell's nasty words were brought up.

"Cosell takes a position that is largely self-serving," Bob Costas, host of NBC's NFL pregame shows each fall and winter, said.

It's fairly easy to guess that Rashad would agree: "When I watch sports, I enjoy listening to someone who has played the game, even if he doesn't have perfect English or is illiterate." Ouch, Ahmad.

The network sports people agreed that sports play-by-play people and commentators in this land of ours ought to lighten up.

"Sports are taken too seriously in America," Costas noted soberly, "and I think the NFL is the worst offender. They think it's so much a matter of life and death to win games on a playing field...They put Roman numerals on the Super Bowl as though it's the end of the world."


Sports producer John Filippelli agreed: "We're not doing the SALT talks in Geneva, or the Ten Commandments. We're here (in the broadcasting booth) to have fun...We're a little irreverent at times, but by and large we have been good for the NFL...and good for the network...I certainly wouldn't want sidebar humor to overshadow covering the game."

Rashad, asked if athletes prefer being perceived as flesh-and-blood mortals these days instead of heavenly heroes, opted for the first view: "The majority of players get some relief over not having people think they're gods and having to act as though they are."

Pete Axthelm, commentator and prognosticator, said he doesn't think his often-inaccurate predictions on the outcome of NFL games hurts him professionally.

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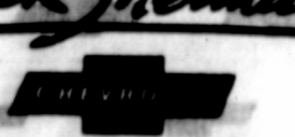
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