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Hiding out



Britton White, 3, recently found the inside of his mom's coat a fun place to play. His mother, Jamie White, was at First Christian Church helping make preparations for its Easter production of *Master, Is It?*

County asked to build new jail

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

Gray County commissioners are being pushed not only by the public but also by circumstances into making a decision on building a new county jail.

Throughout the Commissioners Court's meeting Wednesday, the subject of the jail and the myriad problems surrounding it kept coming up.

Pampan W.A. "Dub" Morgan opened the meeting by expressing his concern that the commissioners had not taken any action towards upgrading the county's jail system.

"I have a concern about nothing being done about a county jail," Morgan told commissioners. "I spoke with (State Rep.) Warren Chisum and he said he had met with the committee on jails recently. They had brought up in the meeting that Pampa was in deviation on the rules."

Morgan urged commissioners to "move quickly" on the matter, and to begin a study on building the jail.

"From the experience of other places which built a jail, it took from two to four years from the time they decided to build it until they had a place to put a prisoner," Morgan said. "If you started right now, that would put us at 1993 or '94 before we had a jail."

The jail issue surfaced again later in the meeting when State Health Nurse Marge Holland presented commissioners with a proposal to increase space for the state health clinic here.

At present, the health clinic is a 1,500 square foot office situated in the Hughes Building, rented for \$900 a month. Holland has negotiated with the building officials for an additional 1505 square feet for an added \$500 a month.

Commissioners have intended to move Holland and the clinic into one of the buildings the county bought last year across the street from the courthouse. Holland contends the building is too small and would need extensive renovation to be equipped well enough for the clinics.

"When we bought the property across the street, and I remember it quite clearly, my concern was would it be enough space for our offices outside the courthouse," commented Gerald Wright, Precinct 3 commissioner. "If I had known it wouldn't be, I wouldn't have voted for it."

Speaking to Holland, he added, "I hate to see you moved over there and then shuffled back. We haven't got settled yet when and where we're going to build the jail."

Wright said he could not vote for Commissioner Jim Greene's motion to approve Holland's proposal to lease additional space in the Hughes building for the clinic, pending on the commission's approval of the actual lease agreement.

"One of the main reasons we bought that property was to house the people outside the courthouse," he said.

"When we did that, we thought we had four years or so before we had to make a decision about the jail," commented Ted Simmons, Precinct 4 commissioner. "We didn't know Jim Free would be elected sheriff at that time."

"I just wanted to let you know that the city is about to start charging the county \$45 a day for housing county prisoners," Sheriff Free said. "I haven't been contacted by the Commission on Jail Standards yet, but that's coming any day."

Free said he had also been told by state prison officials that Gray County would be allowed to take two prisoners a month to the Texas Department of Corrections.

"I have six ready right now," he said.

When speaking with Morgan earlier in the meeting, Commissioner Joe Wheeley suggested that the jail issue be listed as an item on the March 31 agenda.

Holland's proposal for more office space in the Hughes Building was accepted by a three-to-two vote with Wright and County Judge Carl Kennedy voting against the motion.

On a motion by Wright, commissioners unanimously voted to approve Judge Kennedy's conservative rewrite of County See COUNTY, Page 2

Grand jury indicts missing assault suspect

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

Gray County grand jurors handed up 17 indictments Wednesday including charges of injury to an elderly person, aggravated sexual assault to a child and welfare fraud.

Daniel Davidson, 32, of Arizona was indicted for injury to an elderly person stemming from the March 8 attack and apparent sexual assault of a 74-year-old Pampa woman for whom he had been hired to do yard work.

The woman remained in good condition in Coronado Hospital early today, according to Linda Haynes, hospital spokesman.

Police are continuing their search for Davidson. No arrests had been made by press time today.

Davidson has the letters L-O-V-E tattooed on the knuckles of one hand and a tattoo of a peacock on his right forearm. He also has other tattoos, including a large one on his back, police said.

An indictment, charging aggravated sexual assault of a 7-year-old child, named Sendrel Allon McGuffin Sr., 30, 1032 E. Browning. The charges stem from an incident on Jan. 21 when

McGuffin allegedly sexually assaulted the child while babysitting her.

Marvin Dale Petree, 48, 1139 S. Nelson, was indicted for aggravated assault. This indictment was passed during the last grand jury session, said District Attorney Harold Comer. Petree has been charged with assaulting former Pampa Police Patrolman Terry Brown, who had responded to a domestic disturbance call earlier this year.

Santiago Garcia Miranda, 34, 425 N. Sumner, was indicted for theft over \$750 and under \$20,000. Miranda was arrested Feb. 1 in connection with the alleged theft of four truck tires from IRI International.

An indictment alleging credit card abuse named Robin Lynn Cook, 21, of 1025 Park Dr. Cook is

alleged to have used a Phillips credit card belonging to Leonard Hudson Drilling Company to buy tires for his personal car.

Carl Wayne Dunn, 34, 909 S. Somerville, was indicted on two counts of forging checks at Save-way, now Homeland, on Nov. 23. Two personalized checks, reportedly taken from W. B. Burgess, were cashed at the store for \$200 and \$300 respectively, Comer said.

An investigation by Texas Department of Human Services officials has led to six indictments involving welfare fraud.

Patricia L. Stinnett, 203 E. Tukey, was indicted for tampering with governmental records for allegedly failing to notify the DHR that she had moved in with her husband and for reportedly giving a false statement to the

agency that she lived alone with two children and therefore received \$1,764 in excessive Aid to Families with Dependent Children and food stamp benefits.

Doris Britt, 26, 844 S. Faulkner, was indicted on the same charge stemming from a false statement she is reported to have given the DHS that she had not received her June 1987 food stamp benefit of \$111. DHS officials claims she had allegedly received the stamps and had redeemed them at the Post Office here.

Ethel Watie Simmons, 48, 1073 Prairie Dr., was indicted on the tampering charge also in connection with an allegation that she had given false information about a member of her household working, thereby receiving \$1,163 in excessive food stamp benefits. See JURY, Page 2

Discovery astronauts focus camera's on Earth's wounds

By PAUL RECER
AP Science Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Discovery's astronauts, working again at full electrical power, received a call from President Bush today and focused cameras on the wounds inflicted on Earth by man's pollution and nature's violence.

Flying upside down 180 miles high, the five-man crew captured thousands of views of Earth with television, movie and still cameras. Some of the film will be edited into a study of ecological trouble spots.

The president and the crew talked briefly in a combined television-telephone hookup that let Bush see the astronauts in their space cabin from the White House.

Bush congratulated them on their flight — which nearly had to be cut short one day because of an electrical-system problem — and said, "I am determined to go forward with an active space program."

When Discovery commander Michael L. Coats revealed that the crew was "flying something for the new first lady" it prompted a presidential invitation.

"You better come up here and give it to her personally," said Bush. "You're invited. When you get back head this way."

Asked about a camera used to photograph environmental targets, pilot John E. Blaha said the crew was "getting a lot of great film that will show a lot of people around the world how fragile the planet Earth is in this big vastness of space."

"There is so much interest today on the global environment," replied Bush. "I think a lot of peo-

ple will see from just your important mission the contribution that space exploration can make to the world's environment."

Discovery's crew started the day by pre-empting the usual wake-up call from Mission Control with tape recordings of their own. They ended their eight-hour sleep by radioing to Earth the theme music from *Star Trek*.

Then, the recorded voice of William Shatner, who played Capt. Kirk in *Star Trek*, sent congratulations to Mission Control.

"Discovery," responded a Mission Control communicator, "tell Scotty to beam me up."

A rousing medley of school songs from the alma maters of the crew members was the official wake up sound from Mission Control.

The tape included "Anchor's Aweigh" for Naval Academy graduates Michael L. Coats, James A. Buchli and Robert C. Springer; "Wild Blue Yonder" for Air Force Academy graduate John E. Blaha, and the Drexel University fight song for Dr. James P. Bagan, a physician who earned a bachelor's degree from the Philadelphia school.

Their fourth day in orbit was the first with a trouble-free electrical power supply system. On Wednesday, they followed special operating instructions from Mission Control to correct an erratic flow from a hydrogen tank that supplies reactant to chemical power generators on the shuttle.

Flow from the tank became troublesome shortly after Discovery was launched Monday and Mission Control feared that fuel from the tank would not be available for use. Engineers asked the astronauts to dim lights

and turn off computers, and said the five-day mission could be cut short a day if the problem wasn't corrected.

The fuel cells on the shuttle combine hydrogen and oxygen to make electricity and pure water.

Discovery became an orbiting movie studio for part of today. The astronauts were using a 70mm camera to take high fidelity pictures of environmental targets on Earth for a joint project of the Smithsonian Institution and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Photo targets included a coral reef being destroyed by pollution off east Africa, the scars left by fires in Florida's Everglades and the forests of the western United States, areas of deforestation in South America and an active volcano in Guatemala.

"We got plenty of shots of Florida," Bagan reported. "And we got some very good pictures of Hawaii."

The astronauts also aimed cameras at Indonesian volcanos, the Great Barrier Reef off Australia, the Andes Mountains in South America, the Aswan Dam in Egypt and the Baja California portion of Mexico.

Mission Control remotely operated television cameras on Discovery to capture startling views of lightning playing across the skies over South America and Australia.

From the Discovery's camera perch, the lightning could be seen bursting like a string of flashing white lights on a Christmas tree. Earlier studies from space have shown that lightning bolts seem to trigger each other in sequence along the front of a moving thunderstorm.

Miami woman killed in accident

A Miami woman died in a two-vehicle accident last night at the intersection of U.S. 60 and Texas 152, 5.2 miles east of Pampa.

Hellen Grantham, 68, died at Northwest Texas Hospital Emergency Receiving Center in Amarillo early this morning after being transferred from Coronado Hospital in Pampa.

Grantham reportedly died during treatment for multiple fractures and chest trauma.

According to DPS reports, the accident occurred at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Department of Public Safety troopers and emergency medical technicians with Rural/Metro Ambulance were not called to the scene of the accident until 8:15 p.m. and 8:12 p.m. respectively, reports say.

Mrs. Grantham was a passenger in a 1981 Toyota Corolla driven by her son, James Loran Grantham, 43, 2419 Englewood, Amarillo. The Toyota collided with a 1973 Dodge pickup driven by Frances Emma Gregory, 37, of 338 N. Banks. All three persons were injured in the wreck.

All were taken to Coronado Hospital emergency room by Rural/Metro Ambulance. James Grantham and Gregory were both treated and released, while Mrs. Grantham was transferred to the

Amarillo hospital, where she later died.

Cause of the accident is still under investigation and no citations had been issued at press time today, according to a Department of Public Safety spokesperson. DPS reports indicate Mrs. Grantham was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the accident.

Services for Mrs. Grantham are pending with Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Grantham moved to Miami in 1946. She married Loran Albert Grantham Jr. in 1943 at Camp Roberts, Calif. He died in 1988. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, First Baptist Church of Miami, Women's Missionary Union and the Ruth Sunday School Class.

She is survived by two daughters, Betsy Grantham of Amarillo and Brian "Mary Lou" Burns of Roswell, N.M.; four sons, J.L. Grantham of Amarillo, Joe Grantham of Houston, Tom Grantham of Pampa and Bill Grantham of Dallas; one brother, William Kelly of Galveston; and nine grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Safety fun



Amarillo DPS officer Wayne Beige (clown at right) and Wichita Falls DPS officer Joe Clement give Baker Elementary School students a fun lesson in safety Wednesday. Using stunts and skits, the Department of Pub-

lic Safety officers taught students what to do concerning safety, including gun and fire safety and a lesson about not talking to strangers.

(Staff photo by Duane A. Laverly)

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

FREEMAN, Thelma Marjorie — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, White Deer.
BONDS, Tom R. — 2 p.m., graveside, Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Obituaries

JOHN QUENTIN WILSON
QUANAH — John Quentin Wilson, 69, brother of a Pampa woman, died Tuesday.
Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Quanah Church of Christ with Mike Marsalis, minister, officiating. He will be assisted by Rev. Mike Struve, minister of First United Methodist Church. Burial will be at Goodlett Cemetery under the direction of Quanah Funeral Home.
Mr. Wilson was born May 31, 1919 in Quanah and was a lifetime resident of the city. He was a member of the North Groesbeck Church of Christ and a supporter of 4-H. He was a farmer and rancher and a veteran of World War II, stationed in the Pacific theater.

Survivors include one son, John Steven Wilson, Quanah; one brother, Woodrow Wilson, Goodlett; three sisters, Laura Pennick, Pampa; Mildred Taber, Quanah; and Edith Lois Wilson, Amarillo.
THELMA MARJORIE FREEMAN
WHITE DEER — Thelma Marjorie Freeman, 88, died Wednesday. Services are to be at 2 p.m. Friday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Roy Bird, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Colorado City, officiating. Burial will be in White Deer Cemetery by Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors.
Mrs. Freeman was born in Randall County. She moved to White Deer in 1920 and taught school there for several years. She married Jack Freeman in 1922 at Canyon. He died in 1960. She was a former member and Sunday school teacher at First Presbyterian Church of White Deer. She was a current member of First Presbyterian Church of Canyon, White Deer Pioneer Club and Art Club.
She is survived by two sons, Jim Freeman of Pampa and Jack Freeman of San Antonio; a daughter, Martha Jo Fagan of Troy, N.Y.; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.
The family requests memorials to be Cal Farley's Boys Ranch or to a favorite charity.

WILLA MAY SPRUELL
CANADIAN — Willa May Spruell, 90, died Tuesday. Services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Central Baptist Church with the Rev. Rick Timmons, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Canadian Cemetery by Stickle-Hill Funeral Home.
Mrs. Spruell was a longtime resident of Canadian and a member of Central Baptist Church.
Survivors include two sons, Henry Spruell and Glen Spruell, both of Amarillo; two daughters, Emma Simpson of Canadian and Gladys McCollum of Amarillo; two sisters, Minnie Tiley of Bloomfield, N.M., and Lottie Baldwin of Greeley, Colo.; 15 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

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CORONADO HOSPITAL
Admissions
Edna Armstrong, Pampa
Lefors
Venora Cole, Pampa
Fannie Conley, Pampa
Charles Kimball, Pampa
Nellie Kitchens, Pampa
Frank Sturgill, Pampa
Dismissals
Amy Chaudoin, Pampa
Faye Cox, Pampa

JIM DAY, PAMPA
Angela Denton and baby boy, Pampa
Charles Kimball, Pampa
Lorjartia Lewis, Pampa
Polly West, Pampa
Angella Wright, Pampa
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
Admissions
None
Dismissals
Paula Molina and baby girl, Wellington
Gene Payne, Shamrock

Calendar of events

BORGER AREA SINGLES CLUB
Borger Area Singles Club is sponsoring a dance from 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., today at the V.F.W. Hall, 101 S. Main in Borger. Music will be provided by Sparky and His Wild Turkeys.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, March 15
Leo Hurst, 720 N. Somerville, reported a theft at the residence.
Pampa police reported a suspect fleeing a stopped car in the 600 block of West Brown. No motive has been established.

Arrests
WEDNESDAY, March 15
None

Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa
Wheat 4.00
Wheat 3.25
Corn 4.80
Corn 4.50
The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation
Occidental 27 3/4
Ky. Cent Life 13 1/2
Serfco 4 7/8
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation
Magellan 54.86
Puritan 13.61
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa
Amoco 8 1/4

Arcu	92 1/2	up 1/2
Cabot	43 1/4	dn 1/2
Chevron	54 1/8	up 1/2
New Atmos	15 1/8	dn 1/2
Enron	38	up 1/2
Halliburton	31	up 1/2
HCA	49 1/2	up 1/2
Ingersoll Rand	39	dn 1/4
Kerr-McGee	42	NC
KNE	29	up 1/2
Mapco	63 1/2	dn 1/2
Maxxus	7 1/2	dn 1/2
Meas Ltd	12	up 1/2
Mobil	12	dn 1/2
Phillips	23 1/2	up 1/2
Penney's	53 1/2	up 1/2
SEI	38 1/2	NC
SPS	26 1/2	NC
Tenneco	48 1/2	up 1/2
Texaco	53 1/2	dn 1/2
New York Gold	381.25	dn 1/2
Silver	6.09	dn 1/2

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Eastern Airlines wins court order

By DAN SEWELL
Associated Press Writer

Strike-devastated Eastern Airlines won an emergency court order forcing rivals to honor pacts with the carrier, and a labor-backed measure won House approval despite resistance by President Bush to intervene in the dispute.

The order granted Wednesday by a federal bankruptcy judge in New York prevents other airlines from refusing to transfer Eastern passengers, cargo and baggage, a threat Eastern said could doom efforts to rebuild the airline.

The judge set a March 24 hearing on continuing the emergency order.

In Washington on Wednesday, the House voted 252-167 to approve labor-supported legislation that would require a recalcitrant Bush to appoint an emergency panel to try to end the walkout by the Machinists union, pilots and flight attendants.

Bush has strongly opposed intervention, and so has the Miami-based company.

"It's very clear many members were merely voting to satisfy a union constituency," said Eastern spokesman James Ashlock, adding that management remains "unalterably opposed to a presidential emergency board."

Speculation also grew Wednesday that as the 13-day-old strike continues with no sign of resolution, selling the crippled carrier might be the only alternative for Frank Lorenzo, chairman of its parent, Texas Air Corp.

Texas Air's board reportedly has asked its investment banker, Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., to explore the possibility of selling Eastern to other airlines and investors, a move union officials found encouraging.

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Lorenzo and the bankruptcy court that any reorganization plan is going to have to be made workable by the employees, and they've shown they're not willing to work for him," pilots union spokesman Ron Cole said.

The idea of selling Eastern was raised again at a Texas Air board meeting last week. The New York Times reported Wednesday. Drexel spokesman Steven Anred said he could not immediately comment on the report.

Any such action must be approved by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Burton R. Lifland in New York, who is overseeing Eastern's bankruptcy reorganization.

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Union leaders were hoping to head off the sale of the lucrative shuttle by finding a friendly buyer for the entire airline.

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GENEALOGY WORKSHOP PLANNED
AMARILLO — The Amarillo Genealogical Society and the Amarillo Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will co-sponsor a genealogy seminar on Saturday.

The workshop will be at the Amarillo Stake Center, 5401 Bell. The public is welcome to attend the all-day session, which will include a separate beginners class as well as classes on such topics as use of census records, genealogical photography, Texas Archives holdings, genealogy on computers, and research in various U.S. regions.

The sessions will be taught by trained genealogists including Sylvia Murray of Amarillo, an

accredited genealogist with 17 years of teaching experience.

The seminar will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a one hour break for lunch.

Participants may take six one-hour classes.

A \$5 registration fee is required to cover costs of materials. Advance registration is preferred but will be accepted at 8:30 a.m. the day of the seminar.

For more information or to register, call Sylvia Murray at 359-1012.

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SHEPARD'S NURSING Agency Home Health Care - Licensed Nurses - Certified Aides. "We care for those you love." 665-0356. Medicare approved. Visa, Mastercard accepted. Adv.

FENCEWALKER AT Knight Lites Friday-Saturday Nights, March 17-18. Special prices for Ladies. Call for Reservations. 665-6482, 618 W. Foster. Adv.

SILK SALE... Save 20 to 30 percent on selected silk flower arrangements. Now through Friday. Rolanda's ... Pampa Mall. Adv.

ADDINGTONS BUY 1 get 1 free. Dresses, blouses, skirts and more. 1 regular price, next item of equal or less value free. Open till 8 Thursdays. Adv.

ROSES ARE in at Watson's Feed & Garden, 665-4189. Adv.

SURVIVORS GROUP: Rape, incest. Tralee Crisis, 669-1131. Adv.

BOWMAN DRIVING School offers Defensive Driving Courses, 669-3871. Adv.

FANTASTIC SAVINGS Super Sweat and Shoe Sale! Holme's Sport Center, 304 S. Cuyler. Adv.

GARAGE SALE. Friday March 17, 9-5. One day only. 1425 N. Dwight. Items priced to sell! Computer, fireplace tools, telescope, clothing, books, lots of goodies. Adv.

County

Treasurer Scott Hahn's proposal for a county investment policy.

"We've taken your original proposal, Scott, and worked it over into a more conservative policy," Wright said. "Sometime in the future we might want to look at it and make amendments."

Green expressed his concern that the Commissioners Court would not have enough control over the length of time and amount of investments, but was reassured by Judge Kennedy.

"We addressed that with 'Term of Investments,' the length and amount, should be brought before the Commissioners Court before any action is taken," he said.

After meeting with Coronado Hospital administrator, Norman Knox and hammering out a few details, commissioners approved an agreement on indigent care with the hospital.

Under the plan, the county agrees to pay for hospital care for persons who meet the state's indigent guidelines up to \$95,000 per year. However, county officials have also said that at the end of the year if any money remains from the \$95,000, the county will use it to help pay for any other patients who qualify under federal poverty guidelines.

"I just want the court to understand and get ready," explained Kennedy. "That money is going to be spent and in my opinion it will be spent for the very worthwhile purpose of keeping a viable hospital in Gray County."

Ministry sues over literature ban

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND (AP) — Christian outreach ministers eager to spread the Gospel during spring break have taken the Town of South Padre Island to federal court over an ordinance banning distribution of literature on the beaches.

A hearing was set for 8:30 a.m. today at which the ministry planned to seek a temporary restraining order and injunctions permitting distribution of the religious tracts.

Plaintiffs Kevin Pitt, Jerry Davis and Street Reach Ministries sued after a city official told them of the ordinance.

Pitt said the ministry wants to provide an alternative to the companies promoting beer and condoms to the spring-breakers. He said three constitutional lawyers were traveling from Atlanta to help the ministers with their case.

"We wanted to go and be a positive influence on the island," Pitt said Wednesday.

The suit, filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Brownsville, accuses the Town of South Padre Island of interfering with the constitutional freedoms of religion and speech.

Town Public Works Director Gary Becher also is named in the litigation.

"We're not singling out any one group or any one opinion," said City Manager Eddie Campirano. "We have an ordinance prohibiting solicitation, whether it is commercial or religious. When the public is out there on the beach, they have a right to be out there and enjoy it and be left alone."

"We have a team of pastors and lay workers that have to stand up for what we believe in," Pitt said.

Jury

Sherri Fortin, 27, Rt. 1, Box 350, was indicted on the tampering charge for giving an allegedly false statement that only one person in the household was employed, when reportedly her husband was also employed. She is reported to have received \$855 in excessive food stamp benefits.

Sharon Yvette Captain, 21, 636 Reid, was also indicted for the same charge for allegedly failing to notify DHR about her reported employment with Montoya Enterprises and then accepting \$1,527.10 in excessive AFDC and Medicaid benefits.

Judy Tipton Gates, 37, of Knox City was also indicted on the welfare fraud charges in connection with an alleged false report to the DHR that she was not employed when she was reportedly employed with Shop-A-Mint in Pampa. Gates is reported to have received \$1,520.90 in excessive AFDC, Medicaid and food stamp benefits.

Aleshia Crowe, 19, 540 Maple, was named in an indictment alleging the burglary of a feed store and taking \$96 in cash along with a pair of jeans and shoes.

Grand jury began at 9 a.m. Wednesday and ended at 4:30 p.m. that afternoon. It brought 17 indictments to Judge Grainger McIlhenny, 31st District Court, who then set bond in the charges.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
Partly cloudy tonight with a low of 45 and southwest winds at 10 to 20 mph. Friday, sunny and windy with a high in the low 80s and west winds at 15 to 30 mph and gusty. Wednesday's high was 58; the overnight low was 39.

REGIONAL FORECAST
West Texas — Partly cloudy tonight with areas of low clouds developing east of the mountains and a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms from the South Plains southward through the Permian Basin and Concho Valley. Mostly sunny, windy and warm Friday except partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms low rolling plains and Concho Valley.

Lows tonight mid 40s to low 50s except mid 30s mountains and mid 50s Concho Valley. Highs Friday low to mid 80s except mid 90s Big Bend.

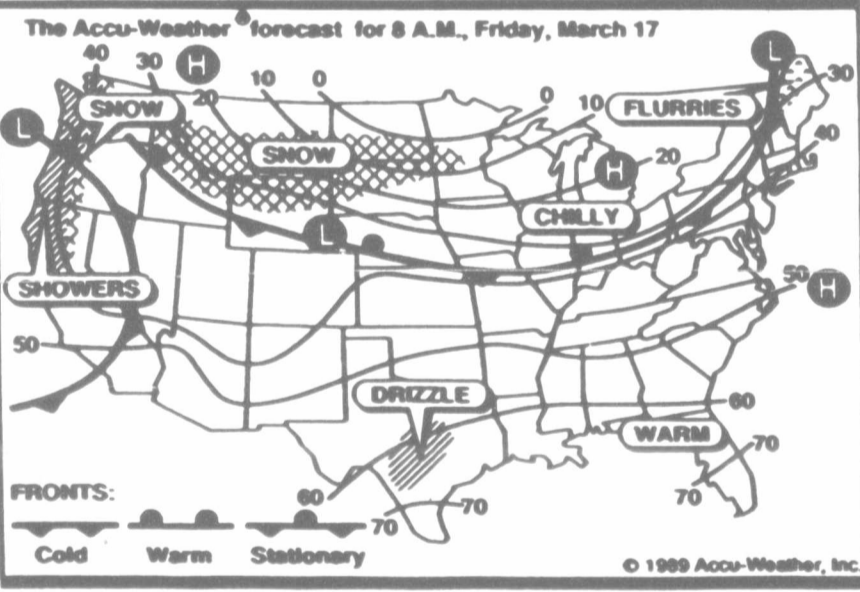
North Texas — Mostly cloudy tonight with a chance of thunderstorms southwest late tonight. Lows in low 50s northeast to low 60s southeast. Mostly cloudy Friday with a chance of thunderstorms. Decreasing cloudiness west by afternoon. Warmer with highs in low 70s northeast to low 80s southwest.

South Texas — Partly cloudy through Friday. Lows tonight low 50s Hill Country to mid 60s south. Highs Friday upper 70s Southeast Texas to low 90s inland south.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Saturday through Monday
West Texas — Fair and warm Saturday except partly cloudy and not as warm north. Fair and cooler areawide Sunday except partly cloudy Panhandle. Fair with near seasonal normal temperatures Monday. Panhandle: Lows from near 40 Saturday to

near 30 Monday. Highs mid 60s Saturday, mid 50s Sunday and near 60 Monday. South Plains: Lows upper 40s Saturday to low 30s Monday. Highs from near 70 Saturday, near 60 Sunday and mid 60s Monday. Permian Basin: Lows near 50 Saturday to mid 30s Monday. Highs in mid 70s Saturday, mid to upper 60s Sunday and near 70 Monday. Big Bend: Lows Saturday from low 40s mountains to mid 50s near the Rio Grande cooling to mid 30s mountains and mid 40s near the river. Highs Saturday from near 80 mountains to near 90 along the river cooling to upper 60s mountains and near 80 river valleys Monday.

North Texas — Warm west and central and humid Saturday. Turning cooler late Saturday and Sunday with a chance of thunderstorms. Fair and cool Monday. Lows in the 60s Saturday, falling into the 50s Sunday and the 40s Monday. Highs in the upper 70s and low 80s Saturday cooling into the 60s Sunday and Monday. Warm and humid Saturday east, turning cooler Sunday with a chance of thunderstorms. Decreasing cloudiness and cool Monday. Lows in



the 60s Saturday falling into the 40s by Monday. Highs in the upper 70s Saturday, cooling into low 70s Sunday and the 60s Monday.

South Texas — Partly cloudy and warm Friday. Cloudy and cooler north Sunday, partly cloudy and warm south. Partly cloudy and cooler all sections on Monday. Morning lows mostly in the 60s Saturday and Sunday. Lows Monday in the 50s north and 60s south. Highs Saturday from the 80s north to the 90s south, cooling by Monday to the 70s north and 80s south.

BORDER STATES
New Mexico — Clear and not so cold tonight. Fair and a little warmer Friday. Lows tonight from the 30s over the mountains to the 40s east and south. Highs Friday from the upper 60s and 70s over the mountains and north to the 80s south.

Oklahoma — Partly cloudy and warmer through Friday. A slight chance of thunderstorms west Friday. Lows tonight mid 40s Panhandle to upper 50s southeast. Highs Friday 75 northeast to 87 southwest.

Texas/Regional

Bush says his administration not adrift

By TERENCE HUNT
AP White House Correspondent

HOUSTON (AP) — President Bush today challenged charges that his administration is adrift, saying he is trying to defuse "ticking time bombs" while charting an agenda for America in the next century.

"In this kind of work, more is going on than meets the eye — or makes the headlines," Bush said.

"The essential question today is, 'What are we doing to prepare for the new world that begins 11 short years from now?' he said. "That's what my agenda is all about."

In his first trip West since his inauguration Jan. 20, the president flew to Texas and Colorado for a pair of speeches.

His first stop was in Houston for a luncheon appearance before the Forum Club, which bills itself as a nonpartisan educational institution. Next, he was flying to Colorado Springs, Colo., to address the Junior Achievement National Business Leadership Conference.

In remarks prepared for the Houston appearance, Bush ticked off a series of initiatives from his new administration: a spending and deficit-reduction plan, a program to relieve Third World debt, a proposal to rescue the savings and loan industry, and an increase in the minimum wage.

"These are serious challenges — ticking time bombs that we need to defuse without delay," he said. "And we're doing just that."

"But these are by no means the only issues that demand leadership and prompt action. We're entering the 1990s — a horizon decade, threshold to a new century."

He said that "building a better America

means laying the foundations today for the kind of future we want."

Along those lines, Bush said, the United States needs to take steps to safeguard the environment against short-sighted actions that do long-term damage.

"It means finding ways to preserve and strengthen indispensable institutions like the family in the midst of social change," he said. "It means taking a long-range look at the international landscape to determine what policies and approaches will keep us free, prosperous and at peace in the 21st century, as we are today."

"And speaking of freedom, it means formulating a multi-source energy policy that, in the long run, will make us less dependent on foreign oil," the president, a former Texas oilman, said in this petroleum-oriented city.

Bush said the nation must invest in its own economy with new incentives for business, including catalysts for research and development. He called anew for a reduction in the capital gains tax.

In addition, Bush said the nation must encourage and improve education.

"We aren't going to clean up the environment, turn our education system around or create a more responsive business climate in a single day," he said. "But if we begin today and make steady progress, we will succeed."

"In this kind of work," he said, "more is going on than meets the eye, or makes the headlines. The proof will come when we look back from the year 2000."

In recent speeches, the president has been emphasizing his actions thus far, including proposals for rescuing the savings and loan industry, relieving Third World debt, cutting the deficit and combating the problems of

drugs, the environment and child care.

"Let us recognize that we stand at a special moment in our history," Bush said in a speech Wednesday night before the Electronic Industries Association, an industry trade group.

"It is a moment not for complacency, not to sit back and reflect upon what has been but to reflect upon what might be."

Bush said he has established four objectives: to reduce the deficit, invest in the nation's future, confront problems that cannot wait and avoid imposing new taxes.

"These four objectives will build on the progress of the last eight years. They will build a better America," Bush said. "They will reaffirm our strengths, defuse ticking time bombs and reorient us as a nation."

Today's speech came amid skepticism from Democrats that Congress and the administration can reach a quick agreement on a new spending plan. Neither side has been willing to propose either new taxes or new spending cuts to reduce the deficit.

Bush said a recent poll of corporate leaders found they believe Americans are too short-term oriented.

"My plan speaks to the long term, and to a stable business climate," Bush said. "It says that to remain competitive, we must look beyond the next quarterly statement."

Bush used the occasion to underscore his request for a cut in the capital gains tax to 15 percent, saying that "nothing could make America more competitive."

A congressional study released this week said that 80 percent of the benefits from Bush's proposed capital gains tax cut would go to Americans making more than \$100,000 a year.



(AP Laserphoto)

Bush waves at Houston crowd.

Clements mum on ag department future

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP)—As lawmakers and others debate whether the Texas agriculture commissioner's job should remain an elected one, Gov. Bill Clements is keeping his opinion to himself.

But with the department up for "sunset" review this year, a gubernatorial veto could eliminate the post.

"The issue is in the Legislature, and the governor wants to see how the process works, how the bill takes shape and hear the debate," Clements spokesman Reggie Bashur said Wednesday.

"He wants to confer with legislators and the agricultural community around the state, and then he'll make his decision," Bashur said.

Sources close to Democratic Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower voice confidence that lawmakers will continue the department in the "sunset" review process, which requires periodic legislative endorsement for state agencies.

But they also acknowledge that it could be a fight to find the 100 House votes needed to override Republican Clements should he decide to veto that sunset bill.

"We'd have to get every Democrat and seven Republicans," said one source, who asked that his name not be used.

The Senate was scheduled to consider the sunset bill today, with a House hearing on it slated for early April.

The agriculture commissioner's job isn't written into the Texas Constitution, so elimina-

tion of the department could wipe out the post.

The sunset review comes at a time when Hightower, who in January announced his candidacy for re-election to a third term, is under fire on some flanks.

The Texas Farm Bureau, angered by Hightower's plans to sell hormone-free beef to European markets, has called a special meeting for Monday in Waco to discuss abolition of the elected agriculture commissioner's post.

Hightower also has been under fire from the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. The Texas Chemical Council has been unhappy over his efforts to toughen pesticide regulation.

Other farm groups have backed Hightower, however, including the Farmers Union and American Agriculture Move-

ment.

In 1987, a Clements-appointed task force recommended abolishing an elected agriculture commissioner's post. Clements "thought the idea had merit, but last session it did not move through the legislative process," Bashur said.

Hightower has blamed what he calls "the Farm Bureau's headquarters gang in Waco" for the criticism, insisting that farmers in the fields stand with him.

The commissioner told lawmakers that chemical companies seek to make the office appointive, calling it an "insidious move" to "allow a few giant corporations to achieve by subterfuge what they have not been able to do at the ballot box, which is to get them an agriculture commissioner owned by them."

DHS agency chief defends his department

AUSTIN (AP)—The head of the Texas Department of Human Services, responding to criticism from lawmakers, says agency officials have done nothing wrong.

The criticism surfaced this week during a legislative hearing where one lawmaker suggested that the agency is too large and may need to be broken up.

"There's something real greasy in the way our agency does business," Rep. Ric Williamson, D-Weatherford, told Stevenson.

"I hope — no, I pray — that I don't think you give a damn about the poor people of my district," Williamson said.

Rep. Orlando Garcia, D-San Antonio, said he isn't convinced that enough money is getting

through the department to the people it serves.

"There's a lot of internal problems with employees. (The department) seems too massive, and it may be that it needs to be divided up," Garcia said.

Williamson said he has asked the federal Health Care Finance Administration to investigate DHS' handling of a \$1 billion contract with EDS Corp. to process state Medicaid claims. The contract was approved by the DHS board in December, and agency officials said then that a federal regulation prohibited any state review of the matter.

Williamson said the federal HCFA "says that's not true, that

all someone at DHS had to do was ask their permission and they would have allowed it.

"Does it seem strange that a billion-dollar contract was not reviewed by anyone except the agency that awarded it? Doesn't that somehow insult you as a taxpayer?" Williamson asked.

Acting Commissioner Charles Stevenson and Steve Svadlenak, assistant deputy commissioner for health care services, said they saw no problems with the way the contract was awarded.

Questions also have been raised by lawmakers over the propriety of former DHS board chairman J. Livingston Kosberg owning interest in a computer

data firm that now is courting DHS business two months after Kosberg stepped down from the state post. Lawmakers also are questioning business ties between Kosberg and Marlin Johnson, DHS commissioner until December.

Stevenson said he had known about the ties for some time, before they surfaced in news reports, and saw no conflict. He said that to his knowledge, no firm in which Kosberg owned an interest ever did business with DHS while Kosberg was on the board.

"It's not your money, it's not my money, it's the taxpayers' money," Williamson said.

UTSA president resigns his post

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — University of Texas at San Antonio president Dr. James W. Wagener has resigned his post.

The resignation, which will be come effective at the end of the school year Aug. 31, was announced at the close of the UTSA Associates Dinner Wednesday night.

Those attending the dinner for contributors to the university were left in stunned silence by the announcement.

Wagener was not available for comment following the dinner, but in a hastily prepared statement, he said his decision had been carefully considered and was discussed last November with University of Texas System officials.

Wagener said he agreed to remain through the search process for a successor.

UTSA officials did not say whether a successor has been found.

Wagener reportedly plans to take a leave beginning Sept. 1 for several months then return to a professorship at the school, spokeswoman Gina Sachs said.

Dr. Hans Mark, chancellor of the UT system, said Wagener had expressed the desire to resign some time ago.

Wagener became acting president in January 1978 when Dr. Peter Flawn resigned and was named president of the school in December 1978.

Keep 'howdy finger' at the ready

The recent warm spell has a lot of people thinking about vacations. So here it is, your official travel guide to summer fun (Vol. 1).

One of the most underrated vacations around is piling the family in the sedan and heading down a state highway to points unknown. Forget the interstate. On a state highway you get to see the real America.

If you stayed on the interstate, you would miss places like Mangum, the rattlesnake capitol of Oklahoma; Gueydan, where you find the best frog huntin' and duck shootin' in Louisiana; and Dodge City, Kan., the breeding ground of such hombraes as Bat Masterson and Wyatt Earp.

OK, so there's no ROLLERCOASTER OF DEATH or other such schmaltzy attractions in Dodge City. But there's history.

And you will never learn about real Cajun life by visiting such tourist traps as New Orleans. You want Cajun, you go to Gueydan.

When traveling to or through a small town, there is one rule to always keep in mind. You want to get along, you keep your howdy finger always at the ready.

No one in big cities like greater metropolitan Groom has to be told about the howdy finger. But in places like Pampa, the howdy finger is a forgotten digit on the hand.

The howdy finger is the index finger on your right hand, otherwise known as Mr. Pointer.

To fit in while traveling through small towns, you keep your right hand on the top of the steering wheel and your howdy finger ever at the ready. When another vehicle passes, you raise the finger.

The guy in the passing pickup will also raise his howdy finger. Unless the guy is a gal, that is. In small towns, a woman raising the howdy finger is considered forward and unladylike.

When you don't raise the howdy finger, they know you ain't from Smalltown, USA and are probably a foreigner from some big city like Amarillo or Waco.

Raise the howdy finger and the natives of that town do the rest.

"You know that feller?"
"Kinda looked like Clem's brother Joe, the one that was in the Army."

Off Beat By Bear Mills



"I thought it was Eugene's uncle Frank. He was plannin' on vistin' this summer ..."

"That weren't Eugene's uncle. He wasn't old enough. 'Sides, didn't his uncle have facial warts? That feller didn't look like he had no warts on his face."

This conversation will continue until the people in the passing pickup get to where they were going. Pass enough pickups and you'll have the whole town talking about you.

And no matter who they decide you are, you'll be OK because they figure you must be related to somebody or you wouldn't be passin' through and you sure wouldn't be raisin' the howdy finger.

People in the local cafe will carry on long conversations to find out who you're akin to. Be vague. If you shoot your mouth off right away and tell them you're from a municipality the size of Pampa they might assume you're high fallutin' or something.

In my travels through small town America I have gotten discounts on gas and seconds on chocolate pie just because I used the howdy finger. I acted like I belonged, so they treated me like I belonged.

No travel agent in the world is going to recommend a trip to such exotic locales as Flossmoor, Ill., or Brilliant, Ala. But those are the trips that remind us about the people who made this nation great — small town folk living out the good life.

So then it's settled — I'll see you this summer in Mangum. Besides, dodgin' rattlers is a lot more exciting than any old ride at Disneyland.

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We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

Louise Fletcher
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Opinion

Nation often ruled by power elitists

Poor Bernard Goetz. He was in the wrong city at the wrong time with the wrong politics. The U.S. Supreme Court refused to overturn his conviction on a gun-possession charge. After that, a parole board refused to commute his one-year prison sentence, even though he has already served two months in New York City's Rikers Island jail, is a model prisoner and has little chance of hurting anyone if he is let loose. Remember that the next time New York law enforcement authorities say they need more jails constructed.

As you may recall, in 1984 Goetz was being robbed in a New York City subway by four thugs wielding screwdrivers filed to sharp points. Goetz then defended himself by pulling out a pistol and blasting away. The thugs were wounded, one critically.

Goetz immediately became an object of scorn for New York's liberal establishment. Even though the thugs had long criminal records, and once out of the hospital they went on to commit more crimes, Goetz became the focus of the prosecution — really a persecution. Part of the reason was that the thugs were black youths. Even though black city leaders cheered Goetz for taking off the street — even for a few hours — the type of criminal that plagues their communities, the victims' skin color pulled all the white liberals' strings of self-righteous outrage.

The New York prosecutor conducted a vendetta against Goetz. But a jury found Goetz innocent of attempted murder. Unfortunately, it also had to conclude the obvious: Goetz had possessed a gun, thereby violating New York City's sacrosanct gun control law. Normally, a person found guilty of a first offense would have been given a suspended sentence. But Goetz had to be made into an example, and was sent up the river.

Contrast this with a similar case. Last summer, Carl Rowan, the liberal *Washington Post* columnist, used an illegal handgun to defend his home against an unarmed intruder. A youth was shot and wounded. Because the District of Columbia's gun-control law was as stiff as New York's, one might have expected that Rowan would have been given the Goetz treatment, a jail term. Indeed, Rowan had even written a column a few years earlier demanding a national law that "says anyone found in possession" — not just the use of — "of a handgun except a legitimate officer of the law goes to jail — period."

But it didn't happen to Rowan. As a pillar of Washington's liberal establishment, all charges were quickly (and correctly) dropped against him. Despite his hypocrisy, Rowan was justified in defending his home. But a double standard now exists in American law. Decent citizens such as Bernard Goetz, who defend themselves against hoodlums, are slapped in jail. But members of the power elites, when they do the same thing, are let off. We have changed from a nation ruled by law and rights, including the right of self-defense, into a nation ruled by those who have seized the most political power.

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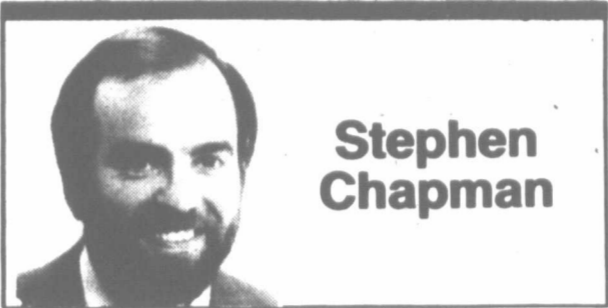
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Customers not only dummies



Stephen
Chapman

If you're a moron, there's good news: One maker of radar detectors has a deal for you.

At least that's the only reasonable interpretation of one full-page magazine ad that has appeared a lot lately, touting Cincinnati Microwave's Passport and Escort radar detectors. It carries the headline, "Why radar makes mistakes. How to protect yourself."

If you're a heavy-footed hellion of the highways, with an oversized engine and a thirst for speed, you'll be disappointed by this ad. It tells you nothing about how to indulge your vice free of worries about encounters with surly men wearing badges.

Sorry. You are probably one of those unformed dolts who think the only purpose of radar detectors is to enable drivers to defy speed limits and endanger their fellow man without fear of punishment. You are not the sort of person with whom Cincinnati Microwave wants to transact business.

This ad makes it clear that the people who need these gadgets most are the ones staying within the speed limit. Radar detectors are the ally of the law-abiding citizen. The problem with radar, you will be surprised to learn, is not that it catches those who speed, but it catches those who don't.

"It's hard to believe," says the Passport/Escort ad regretfully, "but traffic radar does not identify which vehicle is responsible for the speed being displayed. It shows only a speed number... How can the radar operator know for sure which vehicle is responsible for the number? The truth is, he can't be sure in many cases. The result is mistaken identity. You can be ticketed for somebody else's reflection."

Wouldn't want that to happen, would you? Especially when for just \$245 (\$295 for the pocket-sized model) you can guard against one of

these tragic cases of mistaken identity. But how, exactly? If you buy a radar detector, you can be sure it will beep to tell you whenever your car is under bombardment by those nasty, unreliable police radar waves. If you're speeding, you'll then have a chance to slow down — and, with any luck, escape a ticket.

As the ad emphasizes, though, these radar detectors are for people who are *not* speeding. If you're one of those, you too will hear a beep when you approach a radar trap. Then what do you do? You can keep driving at the speed limit. Or you can slow down even more. But if you've read the ad, you know that obeying the law won't save you.

After all, police radar often nails the innocent. You may be driving 55 mph, but if that Porsche passing you in the left lane is approaching Mach 1, the pea-brained highway patrol may nab you and let the guy with the \$80 haircut get away.

The problem here is that your detector won't make the police radar any more reliable. Even if you know you're being monitored by a speed gun, you can't escape it — unless you want to pull off the road and stop, make a hasty U-turn to beam up to the SpaceShip Enterprise. All you can do is sweat about the ever-present danger that you will be erroneously tabbed as a law-

breaker. In other words, if you really intend to drive at the legally posted speed, you have just spent \$245 for a noisy dashboard ornament. This will be especially infuriating the next time you walk into an interstate highway tourist trap and see all the silent, tastefully designed alternatives available for much less.

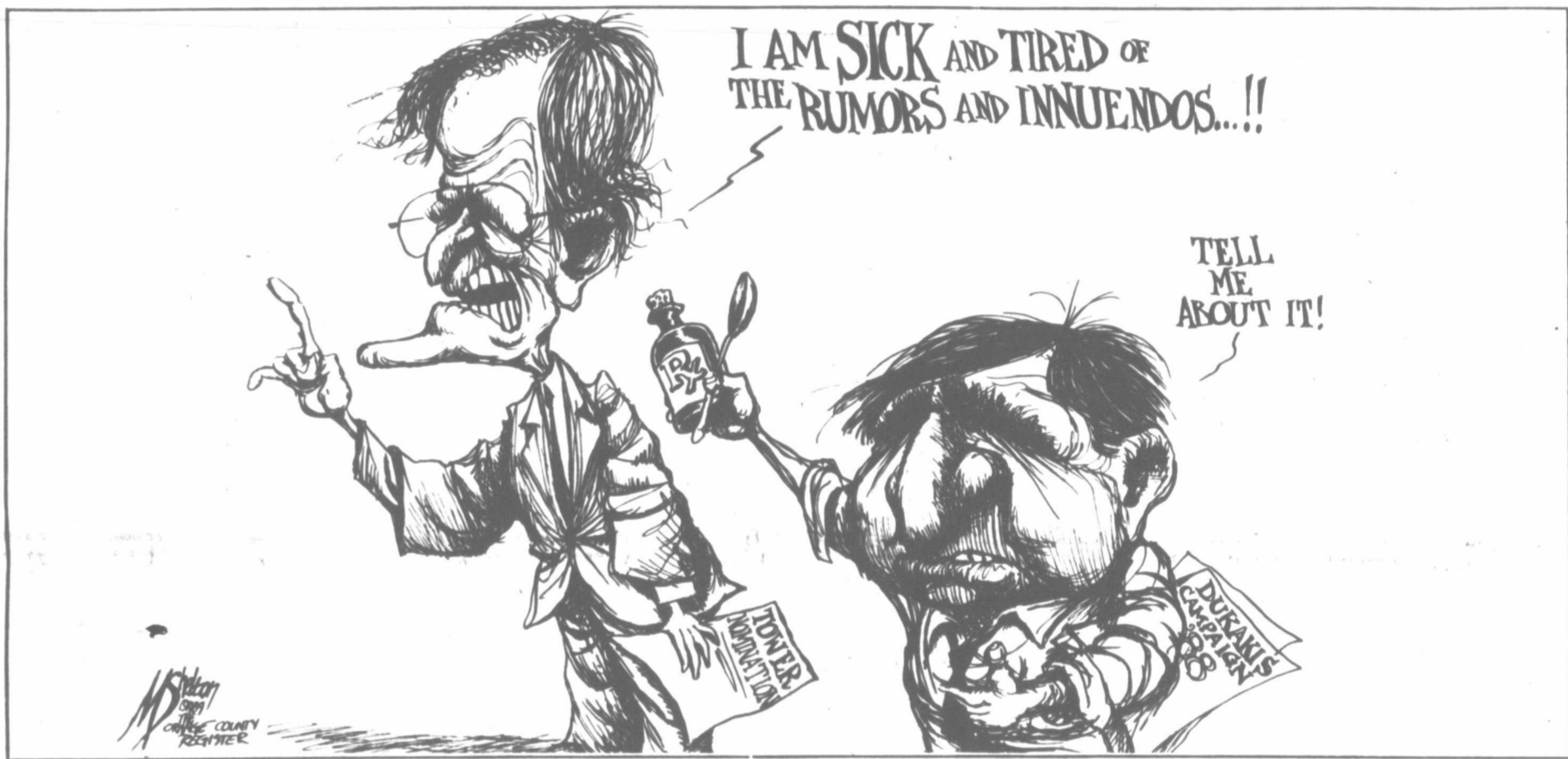
So now you must face the fact that your radar detector is useless unless you want to do something the ad doesn't mention: drive fast without getting caught. It allows you to cruise at an indecent speed, confident that when you come into range of electronic surveillance, you will be able to slow down before anyone's the wiser. A radar detector won't protect you against unserved tickets. But it will protect you against deserved ones.

Why Cincinnati Microwave doesn't point this out is easy to see. It obviously doesn't want to encourage anyone to break the law. On the other hand, it sells an innocent product that the criminal mind might deem useful for that sinister purpose. So the company has taken the responsible approach of appealing only to those who obey the law.

That is highly commendable. It is the equivalent of a gun retailer peddling assault rifles to pacifists. Somebody's got to buy the radar detectors, so why not make it people who have no use for them and are too dumb to know it?

Of course there's always the danger that some scofflaw will grasp their potential and put them to use driving at recklessly high speeds. But that's not the manufacturer's fault.

After all, the public could head off that danger, remote though it is, by demanding that these devices be outlawed entirely. If we don't — well, nobody said Cincinnati Microwave's customers are the only dummies.



Nothing new about that script

Dr. Joyce Brothers, an authority on just about everything, was speaking at a news conference at the University of Missouri and predicted the 1990s would be the "She Generation."

Here's what else she said: "We've been through the 'me' generation and the 'we' generation. And the 1980s are the 'he' generation because there are 7.3 more marriageable women than marriageable men today."

But in the 1990s, Dr. Brothers said, the shifting population pattern will produce 105 eligible men for every 100 eligible women. "Women will be writing the script," she continued. "They will demand babies within marriage. They will demand marriage."

I would disagree with Dr. Brothers in that she seems to be indicating some sort of massive change is going to take place in the 1990s.

Women will be demanding things in the 1990s? When was there a time when women didn't demand?

OK, so I've been married a dozen or so times and that probably makes me a little cynical, but I would suggest if you took a poll, most men would agree that when it comes to demanding, women wrote the book.

THEY WILL DEMAND COURTING: Of course, they will. They will demand to be taken to fancy restaurants where you have to wear a tie and they will demand you pour your beer in a



Lewis
Grizzard

glass before dinner. They will demand you not ask for a toothpick after dinner, and then they will demand you go someplace to dance where the music is loud and there are people there with orange hair.

If you're lucky, they won't demand you have sex to top off the evening because you'll be exhausted and want to go to sleep so you will be prepared to look at your American Express receipt the next morning.

THEY WILL DEMAND ROMANCE: That's news? I forgot Valentine's Day once because Valentine's Day is in February and I don't like anything about February. She cried and wound up throwing things at me.

Women have always demanded romance, and they always will. The florists' lobby wouldn't have it any other way.

THEY WILL DEMAND BABIES WITHIN MARRIAGE: Does it mean when women get

married they will demand babies, or does it mean they simply won't agree to having a baby until they're married?

Once saw the Donahue show where these two women lovers had a baby. One of the lovers got pregnant from the other lover's brother.

What this has to do with Dr. Brothers' predictions is beyond me, but I just threw it in to show that when it comes to babies these days, the possibilities are endless, and women are pretty much already in control of all of them.

THEY WILL DEMAND MARRIAGE: What they will do when they want to get married is what they've always done. They will issue the following mandate:

"Harvey, either you marry me or I'm going to find somebody who will."

Harvey's in love with her and he doesn't want to go back on the streets because there are too many people out there with orange hair, but he doesn't want to get married, either.

He's been married before and it was a nightmare or he figures he's simply not ready to buy a station wagon.

So Harvey's caught in the classic dilemma. What usually happens in this case is Harvey will stall for as long as possible and then marry her, and then she will demand he give up golf and hanging out with his single friends.

Nothing new about that script, Dr. Brothers. It's as old as alimony.

Politics of selecting judges is a problem

By ROBERT WALTERS

GRAPEVINE, Texas (NEA) — "The politicization of our judiciary," says angry Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Thomas Phillips, "has undermined confidence in the judicial process at home and made us the object of ridicule abroad."

Characterizing recent campaigns for judgeships in the state as "the most expensive judicial elections in the history of the world," Phillips is pressing for reform of the current system. It allows individuals and organizations with a direct interest in pending litigation to make generous campaign contributions to judges who will decide those cases.

But one of Phillips' most outspoken colleagues, Supreme Court Justice Oscar Mauzy, says the chief justice is promoting meaningless reforms to secure a lifetime appointment for himself while undermining the democratic process.

Phillips has endorsed a system under which all judges would be appointed in a backroom process controlled by special interests and then,

after the fact, those appointments would be submitted to the voters for meaningless rubber-stamping," says Mauzy.

The public feud between those two members of this state's highest court illustrates the extent to which judicial selection has become an especially disputatious issue not only in Texas but in other states across the country.

In Ohio, for example, a group known as Citizens for Merit Selection of Judges touched off a fierce statewide controversy when it successfully circulated petitions to place a proposition on the November 1987 election.

The reform proposal, similar to what Phillips is advocating in Texas, called for establishment of a merit selection commission whose membership would have been equally divided between lawyers and non-lawyers. In addition, no more than half of the members could have been affiliated with the same political party.

The commission would have nominated the three presumably best qualified candidates for each court vacancy and the governor would have had

to select the new jurist from that list. Each judge then would have faced the voters in an up-or-down retention election (without an opponent) every six years.

Although the proposal had the support of the Ohio State Bar Association and the League of Women Voters, it was opposed by the state's AFL-CIO and Democratic Party. On Election Day, voters rejected it by almost a 2-1 margin.

The nation's inability to decide upon a generally acceptable method of judicial selection is reflected in the disparity of systems used by the various states. Some rely on appointments, while others prefer elections.

In some states with elections, the candidates are designated by party, while in others they are not. In states with appointments, judges are selected by governors or legislatures. Some states offer judges virtual lifetime appointments, some have retention elections, and some rely upon reappointment by a governor, legislature or commission.

Although elections unnecessarily

politicize the process, the appointment alternative is not without its faults and critics. It can, for example, be dominated by powerful law firms, wealthy attorneys and their corporate clients.

In states where judges are selected by elected officials, political considerations often intrude upon the process. "Too often, judges are selected for their political service rather than their judicial ability," says former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, now a New York lawyer. "Far too often, judges chosen by the bosses have been lazy, incompetent, or worse, corrupt."

One illustration of the sharp division on the issue: Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice John Hill resigned last year — to campaign for an appointive system. Then, the court's senior justice, Robert Campbell, also quit — to campaign for an elective system.

"It's a greasy pole," says Alabama Supreme Court Justice Oscar Adams. "I have thought about it and thought about it. I don't have the answer. I wish I did."

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Rebels increase efforts to disrupt elections in El Salvador

By CANDICE HUGHES
Associated Press Writer

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP)—A guerrilla traffic ban took effect today just hours after rebels attacked the presidential palace with grenades and bombs, stepping up their campaign to disrupt Sunday's presidential election.

Also Wednesday, when campaigning officially ended, a prominent rightist political adviser was killed in downtown San Salvador and the rebel Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front mounted attacks in a northern province.

Perhaps the day's most significant event, however, was a civilian judge's indictment of two military officers on charges of massacring 10 peasants.

It was the first time in El Salvador's nine-year civil war that officers have been indicted in a human rights case.

In Wednesday night's attack on the palace, shrapnel from a rocket-propelled grenade injured

a palace guard and six civilians who live nearby, authorities said.

The leftist rebels claimed responsibility in a radio broadcast.

President Jose Napoleon Duarte was not present when the grenades and catapult-launched homemade bombs began landing, said Col. Ricardo Casanova, commander of the Zapote garrison next door.

Duarte was quoted in today's editions of *The New York Times* as saying growing political polarization and economic chaos could lead to a rebel military victory.

During the day, 200 rebels battled soldiers for eight hours in Chalatenango, about 45 miles north of San Salvador, a military spokesman said.

The military said 21 rebels and two soldiers were killed and four soldiers wounded. Clandestine rebel radio claimed 13 military casualties without giving a breakdown of dead and wounded.

Col. Emilio Ponce, armed forces chief of staff,

said the military had expected an increase in violence as the election neared.

Also Wednesday, unknown gunmen killed Francisco Peccorini, a political adviser to the Arena party. Peccorini was shot three times while being driven in his car, authorities said.

Alfredo Cristiani of Arena, or the Republican Nationalist Alliance, is favored to win Sunday's vote, with Fidel Chavez Mena of the Duarte's centrist Christian Democrats second and Guillermo Ungo of the leftist Democratic Convergence third.

If Arena wins, it would be the first time in Salvadoran history that voters dumped an incumbent party in favor of another.

The rebels have called for an election boycott and a traffic ban beginning today. They said they would sabotage any vehicle ignoring the ban. Traffic bans have stopped about 90 percent of the nation's transport in past threats.

The military said it would provide armed escorts Sunday to vehicles taking voters to the polls.

An hour before the guerrilla-imposed ban on traffic was to begin, gas stations were full of customers who feared they would be unable to buy gas later this week.

The rebels have boycotted every election this decade as a farce, accusing the government of ignoring the fundamental economic and social problems of this Massachusetts-sized nation of 5.5 million people.

This time, they offered to take part and respect the election's outcome if the voting were postponed until September and their conditions on security, fraud-free elections and peace negotiations were met.

But Arena, which controls the legislature, rejected a postponement and Duarte never made a counteroffer that the rebels considered acceptable.

Duarte, who is dying of liver cancer, said that if Cristiani wins the election he expects increased repression and an abandonment of his centrist policies, *The Times* reported.

Gorbachev calls for putting land back in hands of farmers

MOSCOW (AP)—Mikhail S. Gorbachev has proposed solving the crushing food crisis by doing away with centralized agricultural planning and letting farmers lease land, decide what to plant and sell their crops at free-market prices.

The Soviet president said his bold bid to gradually dismantle a bulwark of Stalinism represents "an agrarian policy that will be able to restore the peasant as the master on the land and dependably solve the food problem."

Gorbachev said the amount of grain that rots on its way to market due to inefficiency—40 million tons—is equal to the amount of grain the country must import.

He told the Communist Party's policy-making Central Committee on Wednesday that the government must give farmers more control over land and crops, and allow market forces to set prices.

"Let us not fix assignments, let us not set deadlines. The point at issue is the transfer of land and other means of production to the

lease-holders, their real control over those means..." he said.

Central Committee approval, which is expected, would put Gorbachev's proposals into effect immediately. Practically, however, replacing the current system with one that allows farmers to choose and pay for their own seed, equipment and fertilizer will take time.

Leasing experiments have been going on for a year, but approval of the plan would make leasing standard rather than the

exception.

Gorbachev called food shortages "our society's biggest wound." Meat, sugar and many other foodstuffs must be rationed in numerous Soviet regions.

In an acknowledgement that one of his earlier attempts to rejuvenate Soviet agriculture had failed, Gorbachev proposed abolishing a superagency created in 1985 to oversee the farm sector.

The Central Committee began a two-day meeting Wednesday largely devoted to agricultural

reform, seeking ways to increase the food supply and improve dreary rural life.

When Josef V. Stalin forced agricultural collectivization in the 1930s on a populace that was 80 percent agrarian, millions of peasants were deported to Siberia and other remote regions or fled to cities. Catastrophic famine ensued.

Ever since, farmers working for state-owned farms have generally delivered their yields to market at fixed prices to meet

quotas set by the state bureaucracy.

The 58-year-old Gorbachev, the former party overseer for agriculture and son of a Russian peasant, said conditions in some rural regions were causing mass migration to cities.

Gorbachev said the ruling Politburo would ask the 300-member Central Committee to make a transition to land leasing, or allowing work collectives and individuals to work state-owned farmland in exchange for a fee.

Peacekeeping plan approved

UNITED NATIONS (AP)—Central American diplomats Wednesday reached an agreement in principle for U.N. peacekeepers to patrol Central America to make sure guerrillas do not launch cross-border raids.

The U.N.'s working document for the force called for up to 100 military observers to monitor Central American border areas in speedboats, helicopters and all-terrain vehicles.

Military officers and foreign ministry officials from Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica and Guatemala reached agreement in principle to recommend the plan Wednesday, hours before their two days of talks were scheduled to end.

"We approved the document in the sense that we discussed the document, and there are no disagreements," said Nicaragua's deputy foreign minister, Victor Hugo Tinoco, as he left U.N. Headquarters.

The foreign ministers of five nations will now ask the United Nations to begin setting up the peacekeeping force, a step that

Tinoco called "a formality."

The head of the Honduran delegation, Ambassador Roberto Flores Bermudez, confirmed that agreement in principle had been achieved.

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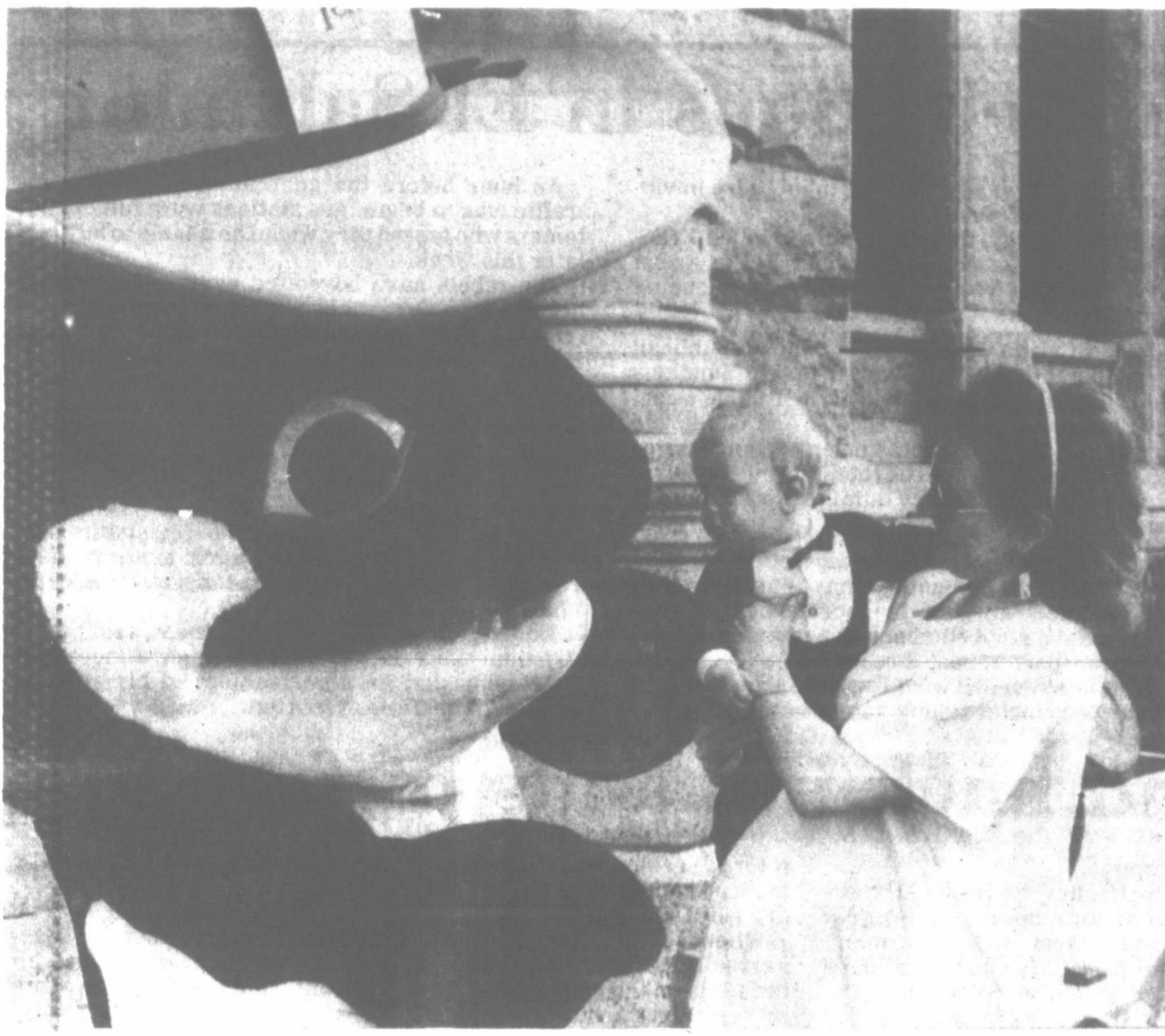
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Party attacks former Moscow boss

By ANDREW KATELL
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — In an apparent attempt to derail the political comeback of Boris Yeltsin, the Communist Party has released a transcript of Yeltsin's remarks at a 1987 party meeting that cost him his job as Moscow party boss.

The political maverick is a candidate for a seat in a new national assembly that is to be chosen this month.

According to a transcript released this week of the fateful closed-door Central Committee meeting, Yeltsin told the 300-member panel that President Mikhail S. Gorbachev had become the object of "intolerable" glorification.

Yeltsin was named Moscow party chief in December 1985 and a non-voting Politburo member two months later. He lost those posts as a result of his remarks at the Oct. 21, 1987 meeting.

The party said it was publishing a transcript of the meeting in its new monthly journal, *News of the Communist Party Central Committee*, because of requests by workers and party members.

But a U.S. specialist said the release of 40 pages of scathing attacks on Yeltsin by Gorbachev and other leaders appeared designed to hurt the 58-year-old Yeltsin in his bid for political office.

The transcript showed Yeltsin, now campaigning in the March 26 elections that will choose the membership of a national assembly, criticized not only Gorbachev, who brought him into the Kremlin leadership, but Yegor K. Ligachev, a conservative force on the ruling Politburo.

Jerry Hough, a political scientist at Duke University and the Brookings Institution, said in an

interview that other motives were at work.

"It's aimed at discrediting Yeltsin," said Hough, in Moscow to attend seminars with American correspondents. He said the transcript was "damning" for Yeltsin because it portrays him as inept just as he is trying to win a seat in the new Congress of People's Deputies.

At the Central Committee meeting, speaker after speaker blasted Yeltsin, accusing him of political immaturity, challenging his assertion the public was disenchanted with perestroika, and saying living conditions in Moscow had worsened since he became the capital's party chief.

After more than three hours of criticism, Yeltsin defended his claim that Gorbachev was being glorified, but added a clarification: "I believe that this is from the soul, but all the same, probably it is not for the general good."

Gorbachev then interrupted and suggested Yeltsin was implying a "personality cult" had formed around the Kremlin chief — a powerful accusation in the Soviet Union, where the term is used to describe Stalin's dictatorship.

Gorbachev said Yeltsin implied the Politburo had not learned the dangers of a personality cult.

Yeltsin finally said he agreed with the criticism, regretted speaking, and requested to be relieved of his posts.

Over the next six months, Yeltsin was removed as Moscow party chief, from the ruling Politburo and from the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, or parliament.

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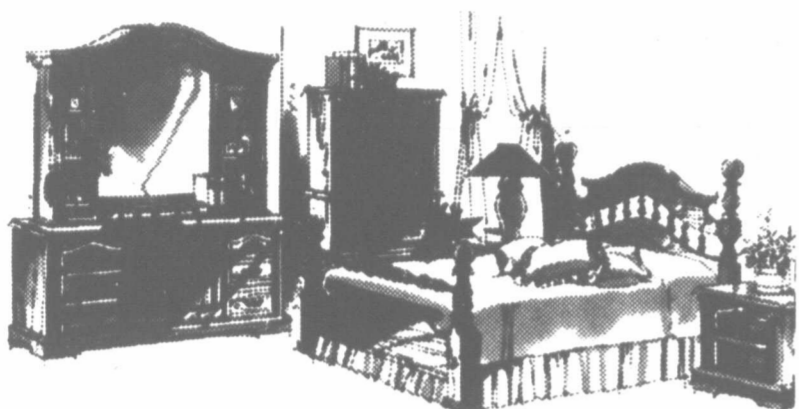
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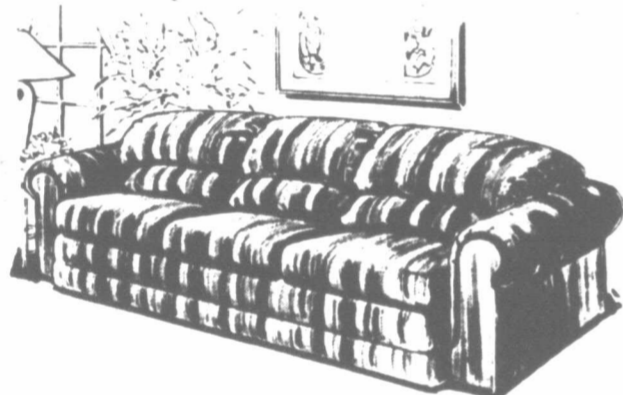
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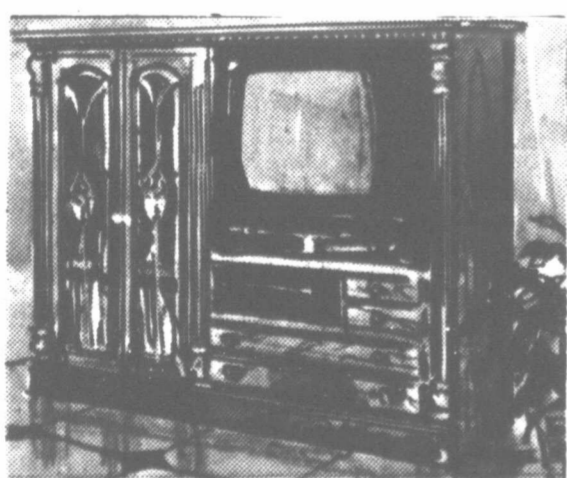
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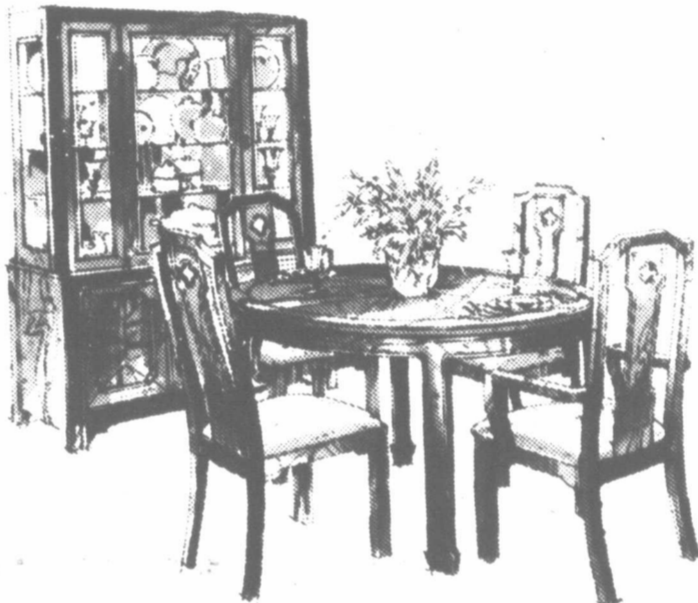
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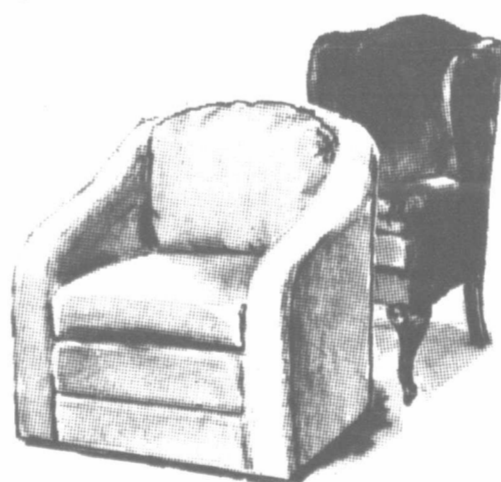
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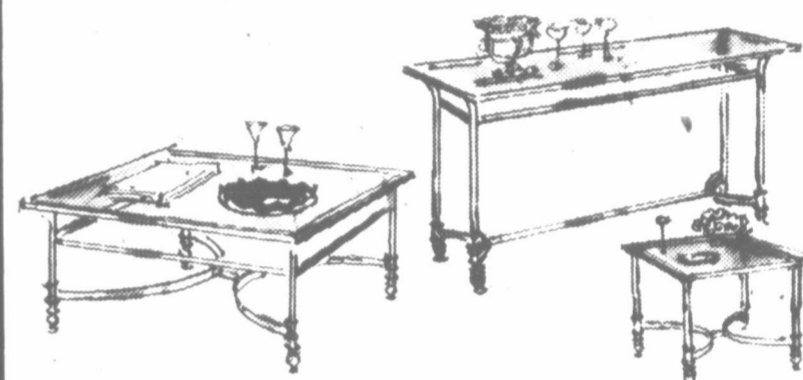
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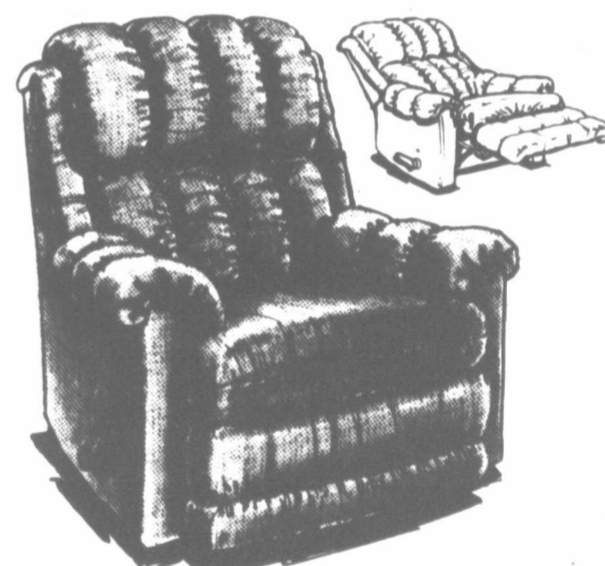
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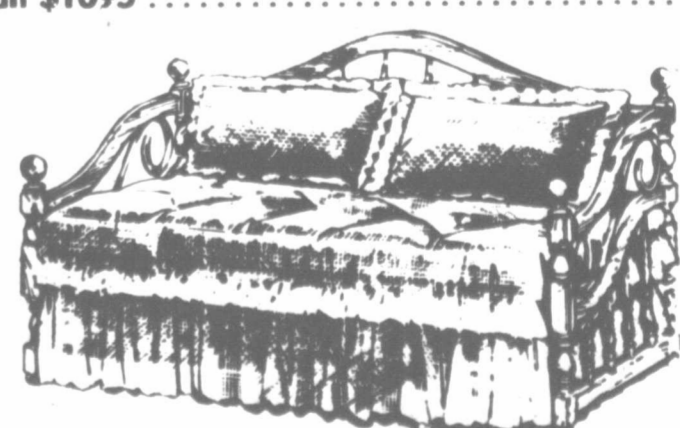
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Mexico turning back U.S. trucks of live hogs at its border

WASHINGTON (AP) — Truckers with loads of live hogs are seeking new markets after Mexico suddenly banned imports of the porkers because they have not been vaccinated for a disease eradicated in the 1960s, officials say.

A spokeswoman for U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills says the office is looking into the situation after being contacted by Sen. Lloyd Bentsen.

Bentsen, a Texas Democrat, said the ban is "causing hardship" to U.S. producers of market hogs in Texas and elsewhere, "and the fact that this has been imposed with little or no prior warning is compounding the damage."

Bentsen's office said Mexico began turning away truckloads of U.S. hogs on Friday and the truckers have then headed to other markets.

"I am told that a number of trucks loaded with U.S. hogs are either at or their way to the Mexican border," Bentsen said, describing the ban as having "no basis in scientific fact."

He said it may be the result of "mistaken information."

The chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Bentsen is asking Hills and Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter to negotiate an end to the trade barrier.

Pat El-Hinnaway, a spokeswoman for the Agriculture Department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, said the agency "just received official notification from Mexico" about the ban. "We are in the process of translating it (from Spanish) and analyzing it."

Bentsen said Mexico is barring the hog imports because the animals have not been vaccinated for hog cholera, which has been eradicated from the United States for over a decade.

"In fact, it is illegal under U.S. law to vaccinate hogs against hog cholera, and since the hogs in question are market hogs destined for slaughter,

such a vaccination would be moot in any case," said Bentsen.

Bentsen said he hoped an "exchange of information" would resolve the ban. "But if not, we should consider the remedies available to us under our law and the international agreements to which both Mexico and the United States are signatories," Bentsen said.

Richard Pasco, director of legislative and regulatory affairs for the National Pork Producers Council, said he believes that a solution can be worked out.

"Our hogs do not have hog cholera," Pasco said. "It seems pretty obvious we have a reasonable argument here. I'm not real pessimistic right now."

In the meantime, he said "it's a real physical problem," with truckers carrying live hogs looking for new markets or debating whether to wait it out and hoping they can soon take their loads into

Mexico, which last year imported 83,000 hogs.

Bentsen's office said the three most common ports of entry into Mexico from Texas for hogs are Del Rio, Laredo and Eagle Pass.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture said Mexico imported \$11.5 million in live market and breeder hogs in 1988, with most of the imports occurring in the last seven months of the year. Before last June, Mexico had a "prohibitive" 10 percent tariff on hog imports, Bentsen's office said.

In 1987, under the 10 percent tariff, Mexico imported only \$650,000 in U.S. hogs. This year's imports were expected to exceed \$11.5 million if they had continued at the current rate, Bentsen's office said.

The National Pork Producers Council said Mexico imported \$9.5 million in live hogs from the United States last year, excluding breeders, Bentsen's office said.

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Wright: No third term if ethics probe undermines support

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Jim Wright says he will accept the blame for lapses in judgment if the House ethics committee comes to that conclusion, and he will not seek a third term as speaker if the findings undermine his support.

"If I were convinced in my mind that most of my colleagues didn't want me to be speaker, I wouldn't run for speaker. I'd serve out my term as effectively as I can," Wright, D-Texas, said during an impromptu luncheon with a group of reporters.

In another interview, he added: "This is not the driving ambition of my life, to succeed myself as speaker."

But he said his Democratic colleagues had given him no reason to believe he will have to take that step, and added: "I'm not contemplating not seeking a third term."

The Texas Democrat seemed to blame some of his ethics problems on lack of attention to his own

finances, saying he had been preoccupied throughout his long congressional career with being an effective lawmaker.

"If the committee should say, 'Well, Jim, back there before he was speaker, should have done a particular thing or whatever, we think this is bad judgment,' well, I'll accept that," Wright said.

"I have confidence in them, I'm not going to quarrel with that. I probably have done things which in hindsight were poor judgment, but we're not dishonest, wouldn't be a violation of the rules, but they might be bad judgment."

Asked what his attorney, William Oldaker, had relayed to him from the closed sessions of the ethics committee Oldaker has attended, Wright said, "I hear very confident expressions that the committee cannot find that I have violated a rule, and surely haven't violated a basic standard of

honesty, at all."

At another point, he said: "I'm at peace with myself."

But Wright also has evidenced nervousness about the ethics probe, sending a mass mailing to his Fort Worth district last month portraying himself as the victim of partisan politics and touting the federal largesse he has brought home for his constituents.

The House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, known as the ethics committee, resumed its closed-door deliberations Wednesday after hearing closing arguments on Tuesday from the speaker's lawyer, William Oldaker, and from the committee's special outside counsel, Richard Pheasant.

It appeared that the panel would spend at least the rest of this week deliberating the six charges

against Wright, which include allegations of misuse of his office for personal financial gain, improper lobbying of federal officials and receiving free use of a Fort Worth condominium.

Sources, declining to be identified by name, have said the panel is focusing heavily on Wright's dealings with George Mallick, a Fort Worth friend and business partner. A final decision on whether to seek sanctions against the speaker on any of the counts could come next week.

Wright acknowledged that an effort was under way by Democratic colleagues to mount a public defense for him, led by Majority Leader Tom Foley, D-Wash., and including Reps. Martin Frost, D-Texas, Steny Hoyer, D-Md., Barney Frank, D-Mass., and David Nagle, D-Iowa.

"If the Republicans want to create a scene, a divisive issue, our people will answer," he said.



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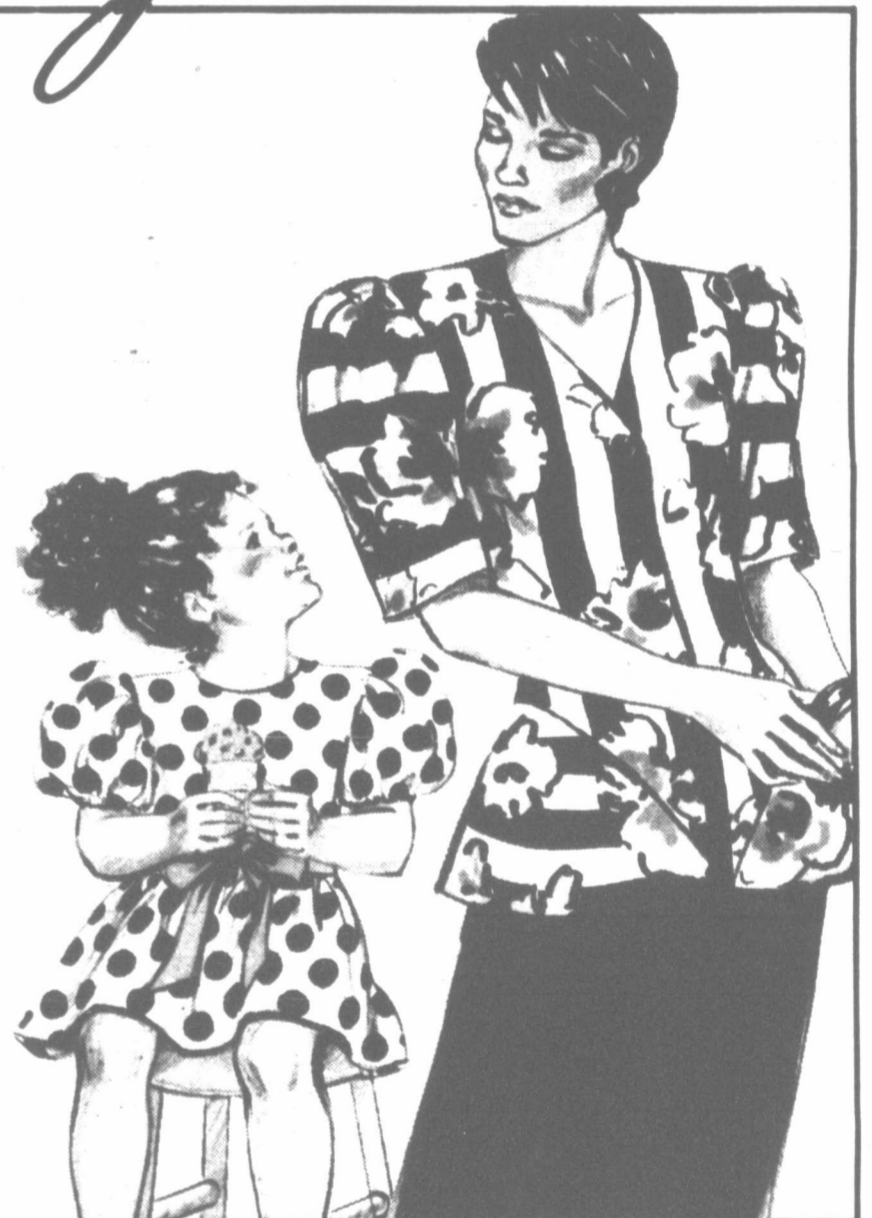


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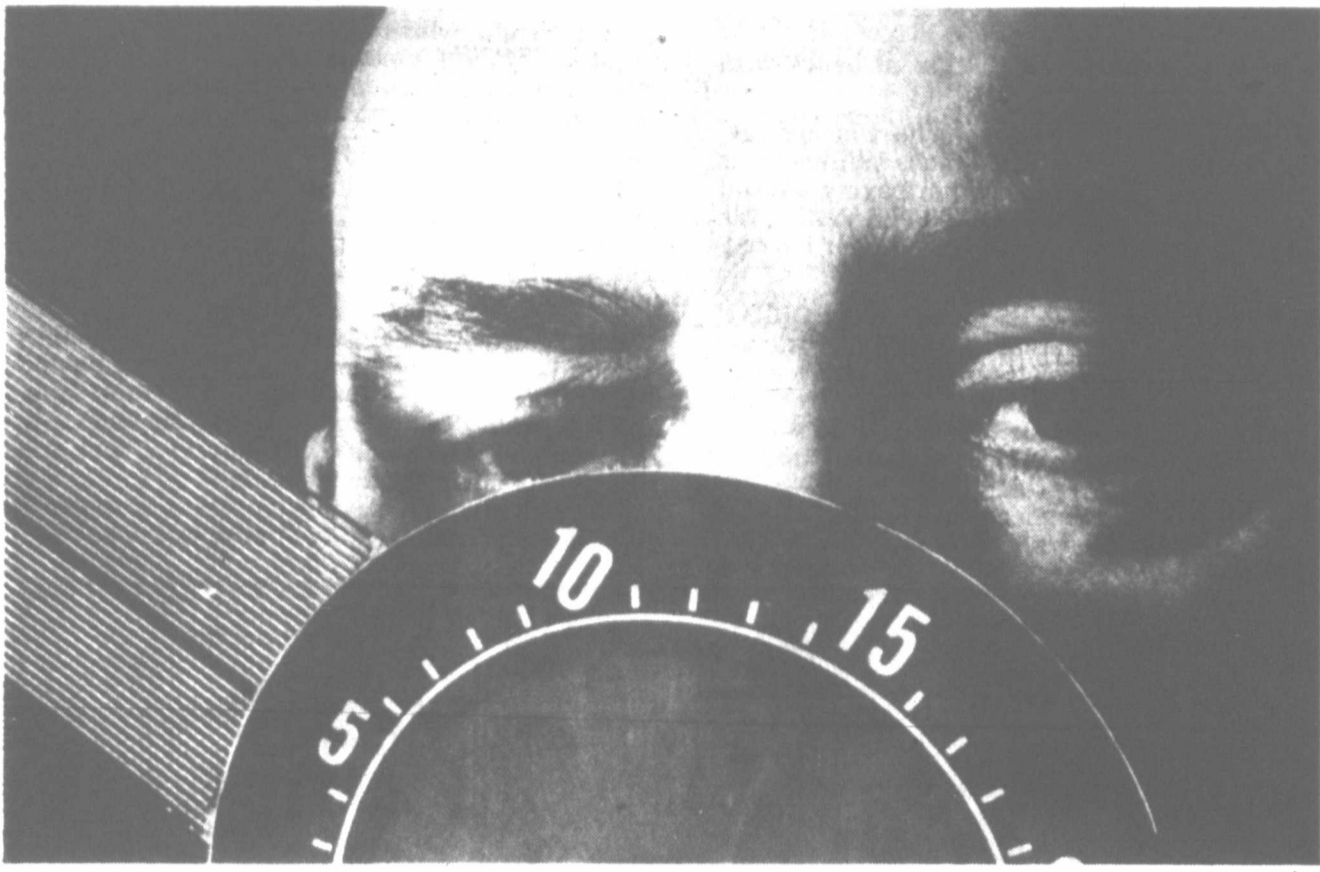


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Trade gap narrows in January

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. merchandise trade deficit narrowed to \$9.49 billion in January, as the nation posted a rare trade surplus with Western Europe and the imbalance with Japan declined to its lowest point in almost four years, the government reported Wednesday.

The Commerce Department said the sharp 13.7 percent improvement in the overall trade deficit, the best showing since October, reflected a 6.9 percent drop in imports that was enough to offset a 4.3 percent decline in U.S. export sales.

The monthly improvement was better than many analysts had been expecting, although they cautioned against reading too much into a one-month swing in the figures.

The \$9.49 billion January deficit would translate into an annual imbalance of \$114 billion, compared with a deficit for all of 1988 of \$119.76 billion.

While that would represent a small improvement, many economists are not looking for any change in the nation's trade per-

formance this year.

They contend that the trade deficit has stalled out at a very high level, a forecast that would spell bad news for the Bush administration, which hopes an aggressive market-opening strategy will boost U.S. export sales.

The January deficit reflected a rare surplus of \$46.5 million with Western Europe, the first trade surplus there since September 1983.

The trade deficit with Japan dropped to \$3.5 billion. While this was, as usual, the highest imbalance the United States had with any country, it was the lowest deficit with Japan since February 1985.

The \$9.49 billion January trade imbalance followed a \$10.99 billion deficit in December and was the smallest imbalance since \$8.78 billion in October.

Starting with the January report, the government is removing the cost of shipping and insurance from the import totals, a bookkeeping change that has the effect of lowering each month's trade deficit by about \$1.5 billion.

With shipping and insurance charges included, the 1988 merchandise trade deficit was \$137.3

billion and with those costs removed the deficit totaled \$118.7 billion.

The January performance reflected a 6.9 percent decline in exports, which fell to a seasonally adjusted \$37.29 billion.

The smaller import figure reflected declines in sales of foreign consumer goods, down \$1.4 billion, and a drop in sales of foreign cars, down \$700 million.

U.S. imports of oil were up sharply in January, rising 6.1 percent to \$3.5 billion, reflecting higher petroleum prices. The price per barrel jumped to \$14.46 from \$13.10 in December, while the number of barrels fell to 7.8 million barrels per day from 8.11 million barrels in December.

U.S. export sales fell 4.3 percent to \$27.8 billion, down from a record \$29.06 billion in December.

The drop reflected declines in sales of capital goods, down \$1.2 billion, and industrial supplies, which fell \$600 million.

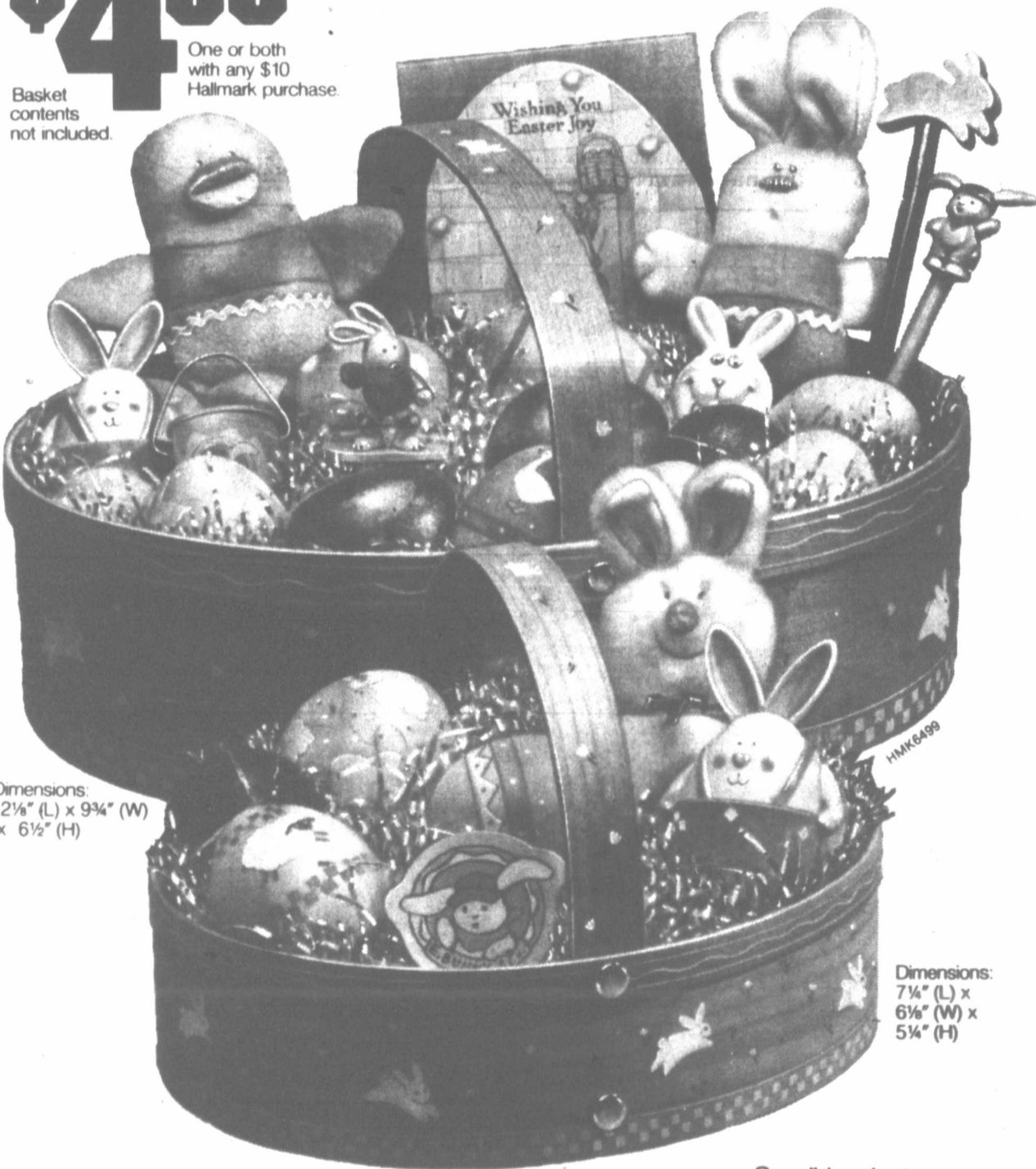
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Lifestyles



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Jerry Arrington, First Baptist minister of education, congratulates the top three "Hoppers" who brought in more than \$100 in dona-

tions for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. They are, from left: Joshua Gibson, Bonnie Holmes and K'Lee Ratzlaff.

Baptist childcare youth raise \$2,224 for MDA

MDA officials Wednesday presented prizes and awards to a hundred children in First Baptist Church's Child Development Center for raising more than \$2,000 March 2 and 3 as participants in the Muscular Dystrophy Hop-A-Thon.

Children raising more than \$75 but less than \$100 included Ryan Black, Brian Denney, and Danny Harkins. Desiree Hillman, Jennifer Ramirez, Kelsey Caldwell, Kyle Keith, Stephanie Caldwell, Lindsey Narron, and Casey Fisher each raised more than \$50.

Chip Rogers, MDA Hop-A-Thon district director, presented the awards to the children Wednesday for bringing a total contribution of \$2,224.37, organizers report.

Those who brought in more than \$25 in donations were Ashley Derington, Misti Northcutt, Briana Russell, Donna Kay Perry, Chelsea McCullough, Lindsey Smith, Kristopher Jones, Trevor Stowers, Lindsey Ledbetter, Melody McKnight, Jessica Lynch, Ty Heard, Payton Baird, Alan Curry, Sabrina Johnson, Lee Bailey, Johnny Story, Jimmy Story, Stacey Johnson, Brittany Kindle, Rebecca Diggs, Shawn

Strate, Brandon Hopkins, Nathaniel Holmes, Jennifer Lindsey, Meredith Young, Shira Coffey, Mandy Dalton, Stephanie Clark, Carl Hinds and Christopher Owen.

Those who raised more than \$15 each received an iron on t-shirt transfer. These included Steven Mayo, Cameron McPherson, Aaron Keller, Jeffrey Taylor, Janyne Bowers, Bryce Langford, Jason Murray and Rolan White.

The Child Development Center was awarded a VCR for raising more than \$1,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

A video tape was made of the children hopping and is to be shown on the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon in September.

Children having children is sad irony to childless couple

DEAR ABBY: I would like to tell "Grandmother at 33," whose 16-year-old daughter is about to become a mother, that her advice is too little, too late.

She said: "You are about to become a mother at 16. Isn't that nice? Don't expect me to be at your beck and call. I'll baby-sit only when it's convenient." These are "words of wisdom" from a mother? Where was she when her daughter needed advice on how not to get pregnant? I don't mean just contraception, but how to say "NO" in the first place! If this is her oldest child, she too was pregnant at 16, so I guess you can't teach what you don't know.

I am particularly angry because I am 38 and childless. My husband and I have been trying to have a baby for eight years without success.

We have a beautiful home with a spare room that we have been hoping and praying to fill one day with a crib and toys. Ours is a good strong marriage based on love, respect and sharing. We are emotionally, intellectually and financially equipped to handle the responsibility of parenthood. We didn't postpone having a baby because our careers came first. Neither my husband nor I has a high-pressure job, nor do we want them. My husband is a school teacher who loves children. And my fondest dream was to be called "Mommy." But we didn't meet and



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

fall in love until we were in our 30s.

We have a sad situation in this country where children are having children, and couples like us who would give anything to adopt a child are told by the adoption agencies that we are "too old."

I know there's nothing you can do about my problem, but I had to get this off my chest.

JANE IN LONG ISLAND

DEAR JANE: That's what I'm here for.

DEAR ABBY: Each year you print a list of suggested items to buy an older person for Christmas. I would like to add another suggestion. I work for a company doing its insurance. We have a large group of retirees. I see how these people suffer after they're 65 years old, with no financial help for medication from Medicare or insurance policies.

A gift certificate from their local pharmacy where they purchase their drugs would be a very good gift.

I hope you think this is worth printing.

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DEAR ANN: Why not? It's just what the doctor ordered.

DEAR ABBY: Please say something on behalf of us who reside in popular cities such as Scottsdale, New York City and Los Angeles and who have this problem. I'm sure I'm not alone.

I'm referring to my airline friends who fly for little or nothing and are constantly visiting my wife and me. They expect to be wined and dined, housed and entertained. They borrow our car, drink our alcohol and eat our food. As a further insult, they may say, "I'm low on cash, but since I had five days off, I thought it would be nice to spend them with you."

Abby, I'm no Scrooge, and I'm no wimp, either. I enjoy company as much as anyone else, but how would you like to deal with these users?

PO'D IN SCOTSDALE

DEAR PO'D: When these "friends" call you to tell you they are coming, inform them you are going — to be busy. Forgive me if I sound like a broken record, but no one can be imposed upon without his consent.

Club News

Upsilon

Upsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met twice during the month of February. The first meeting was held on Feb. 7, in the home of Lawaine Soukup with Diane Maestas serving as co-hostess. Maestas reported receiving information on the Beta Sigma Phi Recipe Contest. She had also received a letter concerning the changing of Upsilon's third bi-law. Vicky Ward thanked the chapter for the reception party held in her honor. Ward also volunteered to take over Upsilon's Woman of the Year duties. The chapter voted to pay the ma-

portion of each couple's meal for the Valentine pre-party. Pam Been reported that she had received a copy of the rules and regulations pertaining to the Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship. The meeting adjourned following the exchange of Secret Sister Valentine gifts.

The second meeting was held on the 21st in the home of Been with Ward serving as co-hostess. Thank-yous were read to the chapter from Charlotte Willett and Ward. Kathy Parsons reported that Fred Kindle of the Rodeo Association was to get back to her concerning concessions at

this year's rodeo. The chapter voted to turn the Beta Sigma Phi calendar into a coupon calendar as an additional way and means project. The meeting ended after a program on fan making by Rebecca Lewis and Willett.

Ward was honored by a pre-party held in her honor on Feb. 11 at the Pampa Country Club. Ward represented Upsilon as their Sweetheart, and was chosen by Bob Hope to appear on The Torch of Beta Sigma Phi. Every-one attending enjoyed a steak dinner. In charge of the party was Carla Allen.

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Texas artist laboring to restore fire-ravaged wax museum

By NANCY KRUIH
The Dallas Morning News

GRAND PRAIRIE (AP) — First you have to kill someone, preferably someone famous. Then you dunk the body in a big, bubbling vat of hot wax.

And that, Peter Carsillo says, is one way to make a great wax sculpture.

"As a matter of fact," he says, eyebrow arching, "if you come look in the back room."

A devilish grin splits his face. Whoa.

Carsillo is just offering a bit of repartee on his latest work-in-progress: a statue of the ghoulish wax artist, played by actor Lionel Atwill, in the horror-movie chestnut *The Mystery of the Wax Museum*.

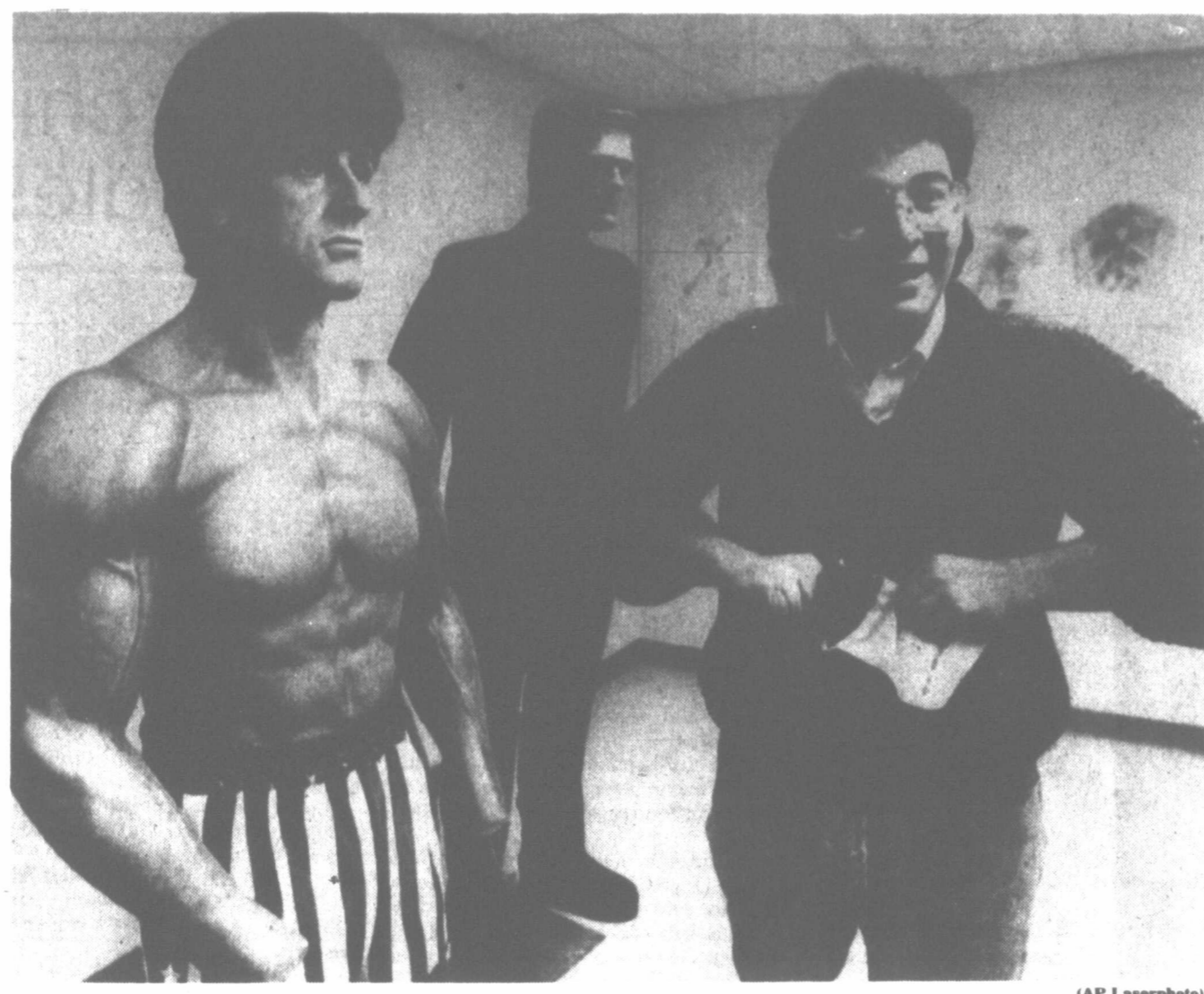
"Kill and dunk" was Atwill's method of choice, but Carsillo prefers the more traditional approach: painstakingly sculpting the head out of clay and making a plaster cast from it. Pouring the wax into the cast. Letting it set and removing the cast. Smoothing, painting, adding glass eyes and hair (strand by strand), then attaching it to a costumed fiberglass body.

These days, Carsillo has added another step to the process: Repeat 120 times.

Carsillo is the artist creating the wax sculptures for the reincarnation of the Wax Museum of the Southwest, which was destroyed by fire last September. The new structure — to be called the Palace of Wax — will open in March 1990 at the same site, on Interstate 30 just east of Six Flags Over Texas.

Considering that it usually takes four to six weeks to single-handedly make a wax statue ("if you don't skimp"), a daunting pace has been set for Carsillo.

"We're trying to do two statues a week," he says.



Carsillo, right, works on wax statue of Sylvester Stallone.

He does have considerable help: an assistant artist, a costumer and a creative director, who designs the sets. But that still means 15-hour workdays and seven-day workweeks for Carsillo. He isn't complaining, however. To him, filling an entire museum with only his work is an irresistible opportunity.

"It's quite a rare position," Carsillo says. "There aren't very

many totally new wax museums that will be built in my lifetime."

Nor are there very many skilled wax artists. "I know I'm not the best, but" — he says unabashedly — "I know I'm in the top 10 in the country."

Of course, as far as he knows, there are only two others like him.

Carsillo's fascination with wax

began when his parents took him to a Florida wax museum when he was about 10. The sculptures were the perfect expression of his interests: art, monsters and "movie stuff." After studying sculpture in high school, he headed out to Hollywood at age 18 to work in a fast-food restaurant by day so he could attend makeup and special-effects school by night.

It's a delicate problem, but it can be helped

By JOHN PLATERO
Associated Press Writer

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Dr. Steven Wexner treats patients with fatal diseases like cancer, but his specialty is a less deadly malady that because of its nature is rarely discussed openly.

Wexner calls it Young Executive Tight Spincter Syndrome. His patients are usually 25 to 55 years old and professionals or business executives.

Most people call it constipation.

"It begins with a type-A perso-

nalinity, the type who eats a low-fiber, high-junk-food diet and can't take a few minutes to relax on the toilet," he said.

Such habits lead to irregularity, constipation and, finally, straining during bowel movement.

Repeated straining against a tight anal sphincter causes the delicate skin to crack and bleed, a condition called a fissure.

Bowel movements become so painful that people try to avoid them.

"Ignore the symptoms and you'll be worse off," warned Wexner, whose Cleveland Clinic Foundation lab is one of a few

specializing in constipation and incontinence.

Sufferers often wrongly assume they have hemorrhoids when they discover bleeding, and "then they buy those preparations which do nothing," he said.

The cure for those with YETSS, he said, is minor outpatient surgery. A small cut is made to relax the sphincter and ease bowel movement. Most patients are able to return to work the day after.

Surgery isn't always necessary if the patient seeks medical help at the first sign of anal bleeding and persistent constipation. In its early stages, constipation can be

resolved through diet and relaxation.

To maintain "normal" bowel movements — anything from three times a day to three times a week — Wexner urges a high-fiber diet of fruits, vegetables and bran, along with regular exercise and eight to 10 glasses of non-alcoholic beverages a day.

"And don't get in the habit of taking laxatives and enemas because the colon gets addicted to them after prolonged abuse," he warned.

Individuals suffering from constipation often have other medical problems, too, such as ulcers, high-blood pressure and nerves.

Jason: A young child suffers as AIDS victim

EDITOR'S NOTE — Among the cruellest ironies of AIDS are its innocent victims, inheritors of a fatal, incurable disease, and the scorn of those who fear its contagion. Here is the story of Jason, one of those.

By PAUL DE LA GARZA
Associated Press Writer

SOUTH ROXANA, Ill. (AP) — A lonely yellow stick character, arms outstretched, looks down at 8-year-old Jason Robertson from a poster in his kitchen.

"I have AIDS," the poster says. "Please hug me. I can't make you sick."

As if it were Jason speaking.

Jason suffers from AIDS-related complex, or ARC, a disease that often precedes the fatal full-blown acquired immune deficiency syndrome. At school, he was isolated in a trailer next door to the classroom, and his only real friend was a tattered doll named Mick.

Jason's story is similar to the plight of Indiana's Ryan White, an AIDS victim shunned at school and forced to leave town.

Jason is the only student in the school trailer.

He has endured a lawsuit and a move from nearby Granite City to this tiny, Southern Illinois community in search of peace. Phone calls playing funeral music and taunts added to the scorn.

Now his mother, Tammie, father, Al, and 10-year-old sister, Melissa, are picking up the pieces after a struggle that turned neighbor against neighbor in a battle over Jason's future.

Jason weighs only 46 pounds and stands about 4 feet tall. His most striking features are his big brown eyes. A quiet boy, he answers most questions with few words.

"I like good people," Jason says. "I like to go places."

When he grows up, he says, he wants to be a police officer.

Jason was born with hemophilia, a condition in which the blood fails to clot properly. He also had stomach problems and a shortened esophagus — problems that were corrected by surgery.

But he underwent hundreds of blood transfusions, and at least one of them involved tainted blood products that brought the deadly AIDS virus into his body. In March 1986, Jason was diagnosed with ARC.

That was the beginning. Now the family, its former school district and neighbors wish they had done some things differently.

Fearing he would endanger other children, his mother pulled him from kindergarten in Granite City and a district tutor taught him at home until November 1987.

That's when the Robertsons and the school district agreed that Jason should be taught in a special trailer 50 feet from regular classes. Jason started school 15 minutes before the other students every day and left 15 minutes

later than they did. He was not allowed on the playground.

School officials say they told Mrs. Robertson that Jason probably would be placed in regular classes at the school of 750 in the fall of 1988 because his health had improved.

But Mrs. Robertson contends the district made the offer only after the American Civil Liberties Union, at her request, filed a lawsuit on Jason's behalf in April.

On May 5, a federal judge ordered Jason back into regular classes. But the ruling touched off protests from parents in Granite City, a steel town of 36,800 across the Mississippi River from St. Louis.

Angry parents chanted, "Back to the trailer!" upon his arrival.

Drew Callender, 29, says he got into the fight because of anger and fear for his children's safety. "I did say some foolish things." He also founded an informal group of protesting parents called "SAVE," the Society Against Virus Environment.

"It's a fear of not knowing," he says. Mrs. Robertson says she got up to three telephone calls a day from protesters, threatening her and Jason. People hurled epithets on the street. "Home had become a war zone, and I felt like I was dying inside," she says.

His kitchen poster ends with the words, 'Love may be the hardest thing to get.'

Her former neighbors insist they never heard anyone harass the Robertson family, and they say the family had an unlisted phone number.

"If she would have just kept her mouth shut instead of going and going and going, she wouldn't have any problem," says Maggie Rigsby, 68, a former next-door neighbor of the Robertsons.

"She just couldn't stay out of the TV and the newspaper and it just made a mess," she says. "I don't think people should be harassed, but she asked for a lot of this stuff."

Rigsby, who lives with her 8-year-old granddaughter, says she would not want her to get near Jason. She opposed his entry into regular classes. "It's too contagious, and I don't know enough about it."

"Nobody harassed her in this neighborhood," says Alice Perkins, 34, who lived next door to the family for nearly 10 years. "There was no vigilante group."

"She's trying to write a book and she wants a grand finale about Granite City. I'm glad she's moved because someone else can have all this fun that we had."

With family permission, the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* printed the phone number. To protest state cuts in funding for hemophiliacs,

Mrs. Robertson contacted two newspapers, including the *Post-Dispatch*, and the family's life became public record.

"I did not comprehend that it would be this big of an issue," says Mrs. Robertson. "Maybe we made some mistakes. I was doing what was best for my kids."

Stu Mills, the Granite City district's supervisor of special educational programs, described her as "volatile." She often initiated confrontations. But he said he had sympathy for any parent in Mrs. Robertson's situation.

He said that the mother of an AIDS child thinks she has special license to say whatever she wants, even characterizing one town as the good guys and the other the bad.

Mrs. Robertson says the family decided to leave Granite City after a man accosted her and hit her on the head with a stick.

They moved to South Roxana, a oil refinery town of 2,300 nearby, to the home where Jason's father, who manages a plastics company, grew up. It was a good move for Jason.

"He just smiles all over," says Sharon Waters, a teacher's aide and registered nurse hired for Jason's second-grade room at the 375-student South Roxana Elementary School.

"His little eyes just dance; they talk more than he does," she says. "I think he's happy. Just to see him play, like when he gets the right answer, he gets real excited."

At first, she said, Jason didn't know how to deal with his classmates, because he had only limited contact with children his age for nearly two years. But they encouraged him and in days he made friends.

South Roxana Principal Dorothy Stickels calls Jason an "average second-grader" in a class of 24. His writing has improved and he seldom misses school, she said. "I see him every morning with his back pack and a smile on his face."

But the school lost eight students because of Jason's attendance. Fear of AIDS again.

Jason's mother says her new neighbors are quick to offer support. "They said, 'We want you to stop running. Make this your home,'" she said.

Many of the new neighbors seem knowledgeable about AIDS, which cripples the body's defenses against disease and leaves the victim prey to infections and cancer. It is both incurable and fatal, but cannot be spread casually. It can be passed on by contact with infected blood or by sexual contact.

Jason doesn't talk often about his disease, or his experience in Granite City, his mother says, although his hurt has spilled over to the family's new life in South Roxana. Once, hurt, he was crying and asked, "Doesn't God know I am sick?"

It hasn't been easy for Jason's sister either. Frustrated and confused, she needed counseling.

Now, Jason feels more at home. His kitchen poster ends with the words, "Love may be the hardest thing to get."

But, after graduating, he found that makeup jobs were scarce. "So I started hanging around at the Hollywood Wax Museum," he says. "The techniques for special effects are very similar."

After taking on unpaid odd jobs, he was offered a staff position as an artist's assistant and within a year had opened his own wax sculpture studio to do freelance work. Grand Prairie museum executives discovered him in their search for sculptors for their new facility.

"They looked over my portfolio," Carsillo recalls. "I was going to make a portion of the museum (on a free-lance basis), then they said, 'We want to hire you.'"

At 22, Carsillo soon became the museum's first full-time wax artist.

Since his arrival in January, he has set up shop and spent much of his time on two of the more complicated sculptures: a sleek, all-wax Sylvester Stallone in his Rocky trunks, and the sinister, two-mouthed monster from *Alien*.

Because of the latter, he's gotten off to a slow start. "We could have put out eight figures during the time we did it," he says.

In all, Carsillo has completed five sculptures, which now gaze raptly at their creator's continuing work. The studio — actually open office space near the site of the new museum now under construction — looks more like a place where the Six Million Dollar Man could buy spare parts.

There on one table are the unpainted waxen heads of Clint Eastwood, Spock and Tom Cruise. A formation of headless fiberglass mannequins stand at attention in one storage area. A drawer of a miniature chest has been given over to row upon row of glass eyes, and a tall metal cabinet has been stocked with various other pieces of anatomy.

Carsillo reaches into the cabinet and pulls out two of them. "These are some old hands I had lying around," he says. "I think I can use them on the Phantom of the Opera."

This is the sort of profession that invites such odd moments, but Carsillo seems oblivious to the absurdity. Here is a man whose ordinary workday can include figuring out how to put a tube in the mouth of the *Alien*

monster so it can dribble drool.

Carsillo is having fun, but that doesn't mean he takes his work lightly. He's an obsessive stickler for detail, and he carefully studies both photographs and videos of his subjects to ensure a clone-like resemblance — something that often wasn't as important to wax sculptors in the past.

"If Stallone doesn't look like Stallone," he says, "everybody knows. People expect more now from entertainment. They don't want to pay to see something that doesn't look like they expected it to look."

"If the eye is off this much," he says, measuring a minute distance between thumb and forefinger, "it's trash. It's garbage."

Carsillo also sweats over authenticity. Recently he despaired that he wouldn't be able to find the proper models for the large, spindly hands of Boris Karloff's *Frankenstein* monster. (Actual hands are used to make the casts.)

"Then one day I was in K mart," he says, "and I saw this guy who was absolutely perfect. So what could I do? I walked up and said, 'Excuse me for staring at your hands, but I'm from a wax museum.'"

The young man ended up accepting Carsillo's invitation to achieve wax immortality.

In the coming months, Carsillo will work his way down the long list of subjects. The new museum's sections will be devoted to a number of categories, including movie stars, famous leaders (Gandhi, Lincoln) and infamous ones (Hitler, Nero), children's storybook characters, and horror movie characters. It also will feature two of the old museum's biggest draws — legends of the Old West and the Last Supper.

Once the museum opens, Carsillo will continue his work — further refining current sculptures and creating new ones. His studio will be housed in the new structure behind huge viewing windows, so visitors can watch him work.

Carsillo, though, says he's beginning to feel a little shy about the arrangement; he's afraid he'll be self-conscious working before all the crowds.

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Man who loves dancing — every night — turns a young 86

By CINDY RUGELEY
Houston Chronicle

LA GRANGE (AP)— On a dimly lit wall of the Cottonwood Inn lounge, Tom Davis Sr. has established a shrine to himself.

Tucked beneath glass, in five wooden frames, are almost 400 Polaroid pictures of Davis. In each he wears a dapper Western-cut shirt — in most a suit — and a tan felt cowboy hat.

In each, he is either dancing or in a dance-like pose. And in each, he is pictured with a different partner.

Those pictures — and his prowess as a dancer — have made Davis somewhat of a legend in this town of 4,000.

Tom Davis is a dancing fool. Davis dances almost every night, and has for almost the past 20 years.

He boasts he has danced with more than 600 women from throughout the country.

Davis will turn 86 Saturday.

To celebrate, he will throw himself a party at the Cottonwood. Before the night's done, Davis and others expect "Mr. Tom" — as he is known in town — will have danced with 30 to 40 different partners.

"He's a cat, I'll tell you that," said Fayette County Sheriff Vastine Koopmann. "He loves dancing. And, I'll tell you something else, I've never seen anybody turn him down."

Born in 1903 near the Muldoon community, Davis grew up watching his parents go to barn and house dances.

"They'd dance all night some-

times," he said. They were just natural born dancers."

Davis picked up the bug. From his parents he learned waltzes and the polka.

As a teen-ager and a young man, Davis said that he would travel from town to town, working as a cowboy and dancing the nights away.

After his marriage in 1924, however, Davis hung up his dancing shoes.

"One night after we got married, we went to a dance and I danced with different women," Davis recalled. When we got home, my wife said to me: 'Listen Tom, if you are going to live with me, it's the last time on the dance floor.'

"I didn't dance again for the time we were married ... I've danced all of my life, except for those 43 years," he said.

Saturday, those 43 years will equal half his life.

In July 1969, Davis' wife died. By 1970, he had returned to the dance floor.

Since that time, he has danced almost every night, Davis said.

In 1987, he visited Germany, where he hoofed his way through a polka contest.

Sheriff Koopmann said that during the oil boom of the late-1970s La Grange had several clubs with live bands and that Davis became an institution at many of them.

Now, he only frequents the Cottonwood Inn.

"He told somebody once that he is dancing now to make up for when he was married, and couldn't," said Koopmann.



Davis sits behind his desk with framed mementoes of his dance partners on the wall.

Four nights a week, the club has a live band and Jean Hrbacek, who owns the Cottonwood with her husband, says Davis has not missed a night in years.

"If he didn't show up one night, we'd know something was wrong," she said.

Davis has his own table at the

night spot and never consumes alcohol.

"I've never drank any alcohol in my life, and I never smoked," Davis said.

"He doesn't smoke, he doesn't drink and he doesn't chase women," Mrs. Hrbacek said.

When it comes to dancing, they chase him.

"He sits there," she said pointing to a small, black round table with one chair. "He sits there with his foot propped up drinking a 7-Up with six cherries in it and they come up and ask him to dance."

Davis most often dances the two-step, waltz and polka.

Sometimes he will take a chance on the jitterbug.

"He says that he doesn't like the jitterbug much because it takes up too much of the dance floor," said bartender Dolly Sylvia.

He carries a Polaroid camera and has pictures taken of himself and his partner whenever he dances with a new person.

"A lot of the younger girls like to dance with him because he is a good dancer. They like to dance with him, too, because he doesn't make passes at them and it shows the single guys in here that they want to dance," Mrs. Hrbacek said.

Because the Cottonwood Inn is one of the few places now where people can hear live music, have mixed drinks and dance, there are usually a lot of people in the club at night.

"He's never been anything but polite in here. I've never heard him say a curse word," Sylvia said. "He's got a good mind. At 86, he remembers everything."

Although people say that Davis has slowed, most agree he still is good.

"He's good at a lot of the old time stuff that a lot of the young guys don't know how to do," said Stephen "Bubba" Hrbacek, the owners' son.

"Most of the time, he dances almost every dance in the set," Sylvia said.

At 6-foot-2, Davis is a lanky man who brags of five years as a rodeo cowboy in the early 1920s and claims to have danced with women from 42 states.

"I don't know about that," said Sylvia. "One time, though, two German women came in here. They were on a tour of the country and said they had danced with him while he was in Germany and now were going to dance with him in Texas."

Davis convinced the Hrbaceks to allow him to hang the framed pictures and a pair of his boots on the wall.

He hung a flashlight over the pictures so they would be easy to see.

He tried to convince them to hang a picture of himself next to one of legendary Fayette County Sheriff Jim Flournoy in the restaurant.

"That's where I drew the line," Mrs. Hrbacek laughed.

Davis worked for more than 40 years for a La Grange oil company. Now, he is manager of a local mobile home park. He still helps hook up mobile homes and takes care of the park's yard, as well as collecting rent.

Mrs. Hrbacek said that frequently he will dance until the club closes at midnight and then be at the Inn's restaurant the next morning at 6 a.m. before he goes to work at 7.

"I'll tell you something," said Sheriff Koopmann, who is 70. "I hope I can dance like that when I'm 86."

USDA facility uses high-tech methods to study soil erosion

By BRADLEY WORRELL
Big Spring Herald

BIG SPRING (AP)— You might not think of this West Texas city as an international hub, but its U.S. Department of Agriculture research center is drawing visitors from all over the world.

"We have developed some very unique instrumentation that a lot of people are very interested in," USDA Research Leader Bill Fryrear said.

Equipment the lab developed to study wind erosion has stirred the interest of visitors from 53 different countries "all the way from New Zealand to Iceland — and I hope he doesn't want me to come up there and check (the equipment) out," Fryrear said, jokingly.

The scientific tools are used to determine how much erosion takes place in an area, the relative time it takes for erosion to occur and where the most wind erosion occurs in the area studied, he said.

"A lot of the equipment came about where people said, 'We

wish we could do that,'" Fryrear said. "We couldn't measure wind erosion some years ago, so we developed the equipment to measure wind erosion every 10 minutes, or for a storm or for an entire year."

Fryrear said it is now possible to measure wind erosion and have a great deal of confidence that the readings are an accurate measure of a particular environment.

The equipment helps West Texas researchers study the dryland, sandyland soils that are common to West Texas and are especially susceptible to wind erosion, Fryrear said.

But people around the world are also interested, because places as geographically different as India, Australia and parts of Africa, southeast Asia and South America have similar soils and climatic conditions, he said.

Fryrear said the local USDA is considering entering into an exchange program with scientists in south Australia to study wind erosion there because, "in many ways the conditions there are comparable with West Texas."

"It's not just a one-way street," he said.

Equipment developed by the Big Spring USDA is already being tested in other sites. In Michigan, it helps determine how much dust is deposited into the Great Lakes annually. In southeast Morocco it helps measure the effectiveness of sandtrapping methods.

"There's some talk of using the equipment in the Sahara region

of North Africa at a meteorological station there. It could bring changes in the way that area is utilized," Fryrear said.

Fryrear said the equipment could be useful to other areas of environmental research such as the effects of pesticides.

Still, he said, "We're talking about a pretty special market. We're not talking about thousands and thousands of units. We're talking about a market, potentially, in other countries."

Fryrear said he would like to see private enterprises become more involved in the production of scientific equipment because, "right now most scientists have to build their own equipment."

He said he believes it's possible the equipment the USDA has designed could be mass produced locally because "Big Spring has got a lot of new, innovative people."

Of the 85 units used to measure soil erosion in each sampler kit, Fryrear said, "Essentially all 85 could be produced privately."

In the meantime, Fryrear said the USDA will continue to refine the equipment and test it in several different locations before turning it over to user areas. He also noted that there are still pieces of equipment to develop.

The USDA station's emphasis on erosion is fairly new, Fryrear said. Two years ago, the station — in conjunction with another station in Manhattan, Kan. — was given the responsibility to estimate wind erosion anywhere, in any climate.

Computers aid dental repairs

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP)— Computer-aided design techniques will let dentists take 3-D pictures of cavities and teeth and turn out fillings in a matter of minutes without the cost of laboratory work, researchers say.

"You can do a restoration in about 45 minutes to an hour, compared with two appointments of considerably greater length using current methods," said Dr. Harald Heymann, acting chairman of operative dentistry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. "It certainly will enable a large part of the aesthetic restoration being done today to be done right there chairside."

Instead of taking a physical mold of the tooth and giving a patient a temporary filling while waiting for laboratory work, a dentist will aim a small video camera at the cavity, snap a picture and wait. The digitized image is fed into a milling machine that makes a filling in minutes.

The process is expected to be approved by the Food and Drug Administration within a year, Heymann said. "This procedure offers primarily an advantage in that it's aesthetic. And for the dentist, there wouldn't be a lab bill involved. It would be very cost effective."

The software and hardware are being constantly improved, he said. "Five, 10 years from now we're probably going to look back on this model the way we look at a Model T after looking at today's modern-day Ford."

Heymann's experiments are focusing primarily on improving the fit of the computer-generated ceramics and following up on people who receive them.

"It's not an experimental thing at all, in terms of dentistry," he said. "You're interested in the performance of whatever restoration or material you're replacing over time."

Researchers studying appetite suppressant without the risks

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP)— Overweight people could control their appetites without jangled nerves and drug dependency if a European appetite suppressant under study here for a French pharmaceutical company proves successful.

University of Florida psychologist Neil Rowland recently completed a preliminary study of the effect of dexfenfluramine on laboratory rats fattened either by an eat-all-you-want feast of chocolate chip cookies and sweetened milk or by surgically neutering the animals to control hormone levels.

"In either case, we end up with fat rats. They overeat and put on the human equivalent of 50 extra pounds in a few weeks," Rowland said.

"We then administer the drug to the rats through surgi-

cally implanted capsules. What we find is that on this drug, the rats show considerable sustained weight loss ...

"As long as they are given the drug, they keep the weight off."

That is one drawback common to all diet drugs, he said.

"If anything, one side effect is mild sedation. Because of that, it has absolutely no abuse potential."

"Whether it's with rats or people, as long as they are given drugs they tend to keep weight off but once they stop the drug, they gain back weight."

Dexfenfluramine, which has been available in Europe for several years, has several

advantages over more traditional diet drugs, Rowland said. "It does not have any stimulant properties; if anything, one side effect is mild sedation. Because of that, it has absolutely no abuse potential."

And, based on European clinical tests, the drug, which Rowland is testing for the French drug company Servier, produces little of the nausea or drowsiness often associated with other appetite suppressants.

"There are many theories about how (it) works," he said. "It may send a premature message to the brain that the stomach is full or it may be affecting body metabolism."

"My feeling is that it is working at several different levels in the body, which is fortunate because that tends to enhance its effectiveness," he said.

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 - Green plum
 - Beliefs
 - Born
 - Minute insect
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 - Rise
 - Series of heroic events
 - Mrs. in Madrid
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 - Pigpen
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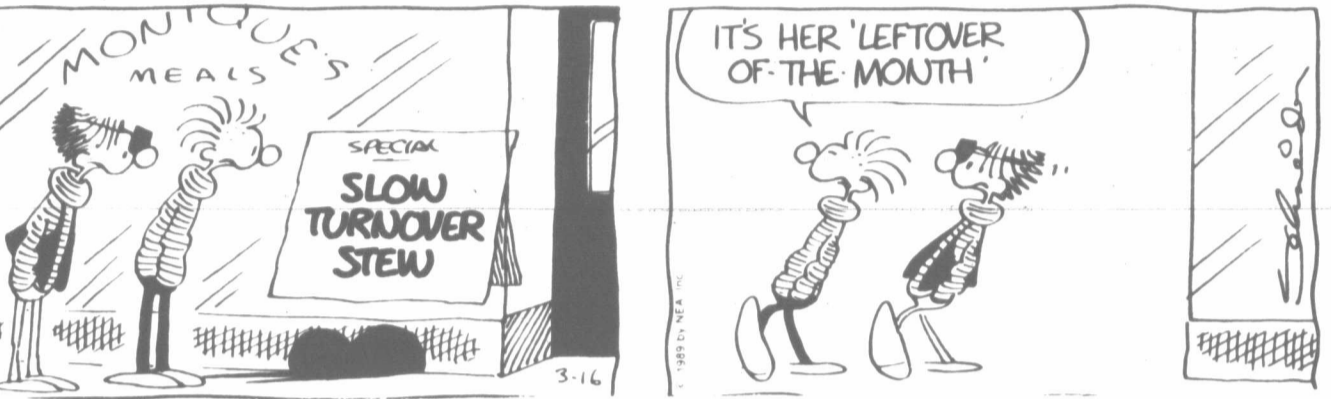
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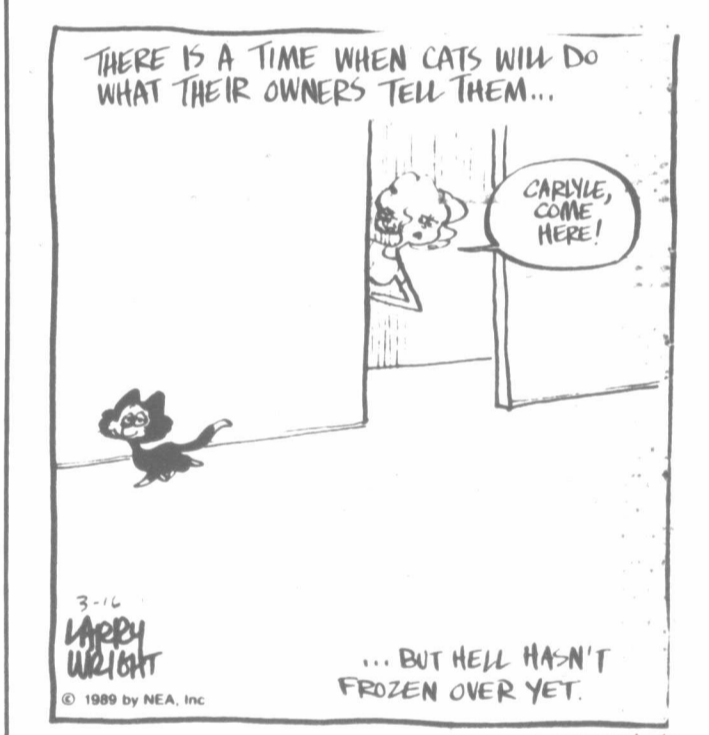
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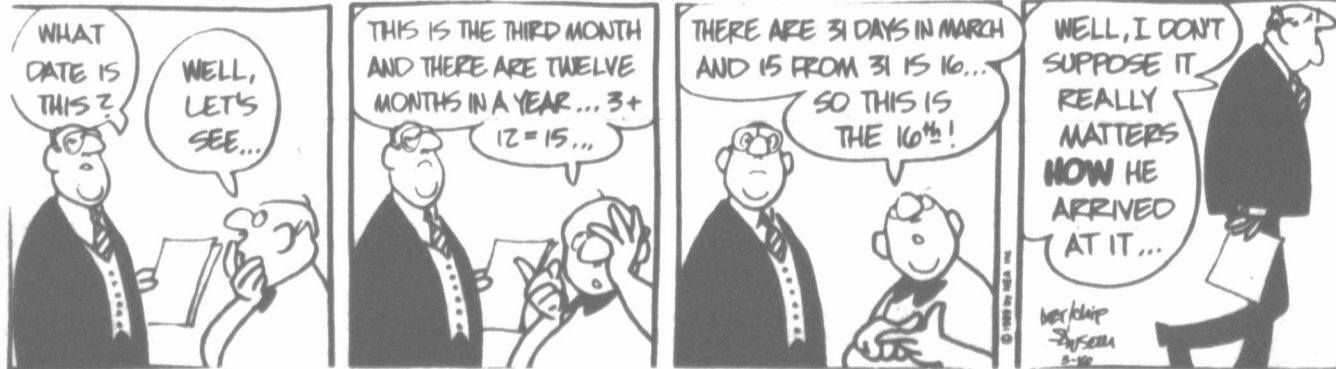
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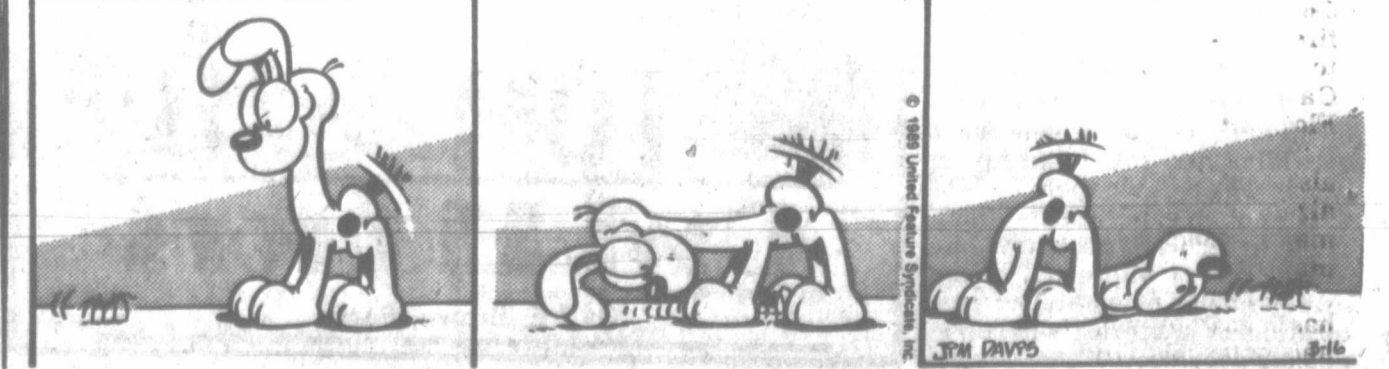
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Sports

Final Four countdown begins today

By The Associated Press

For second-seeded Duke, its first-round meeting with South Carolina State in the NCAA East regional is just another chapter of the "Late Show."

The Blue Devils tip off against 15th-seeded South Carolina State tonight at the Greensboro Coliseum at 9:37 EST — the eighth time this season they've started a game at 9 p.m. or later.

"I think we've played more nine o'clock games than not," Duke guard Quin Snyder said. "It seems like as many games as ESPN wants to televise, we've had to play."

At least the Blue Devils will be on familiar — if not friendly — ground. Duke's campus is about an hour from the Coliseum, but five busloads of South Carolina State students are making the trip to Greensboro and the school's president closed the university a day early for spring break.

"He figured that so many students would come up here and that they're not going to come back, so he closed the school," South Carolina State guard Daryll Gilmore said.

Even if the Blue Devils, ranked ninth nationally, win, they will be a little weary for their second-round game. The winner gets to play the first game Saturday, beginning just after noon.

"That just doesn't make sense to me," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "If we win, we won't get out of here until 1:30 in the morning because of drug testing."

Also in the East, Kansas State meets Minnesota, Siena plays 13th-ranked Stanford and No. 17 Virginia faces Tennessee prior to the Duke-South Carolina State contest.

Twelve other first-round games are scheduled today. No. 1 Arizona, banished to Boise, Idaho, from its home in Tucson because of a new policy that keeps teams off their home courts whenever possible, takes

on Robert Morris in the opening round of the West regional. Also in Boise, St. Mary's plays Clemson; Memphis State plays DePaul and No. 15 Nevada-Las Vegas plays Idaho, which will have the advantage of being the local favorite.

In the Southeast at Nashville, Tenn., No. 4 Oklahoma faces East Tennessee State, LaSalle faces Louisiana Tech; Virginia meets Providence and No. 16 Florida State plays Middle Tennessee State, another underdog playing near home.

The Midwest regional opens at Indianapolis with No. 3 Illinois, the top seed, taking on McNeese State; Arkansas playing Loyola-Marymount; No. 12 Louisville taking on Arkansas-Little Rock and No. 18 Ball State playing Pitt.

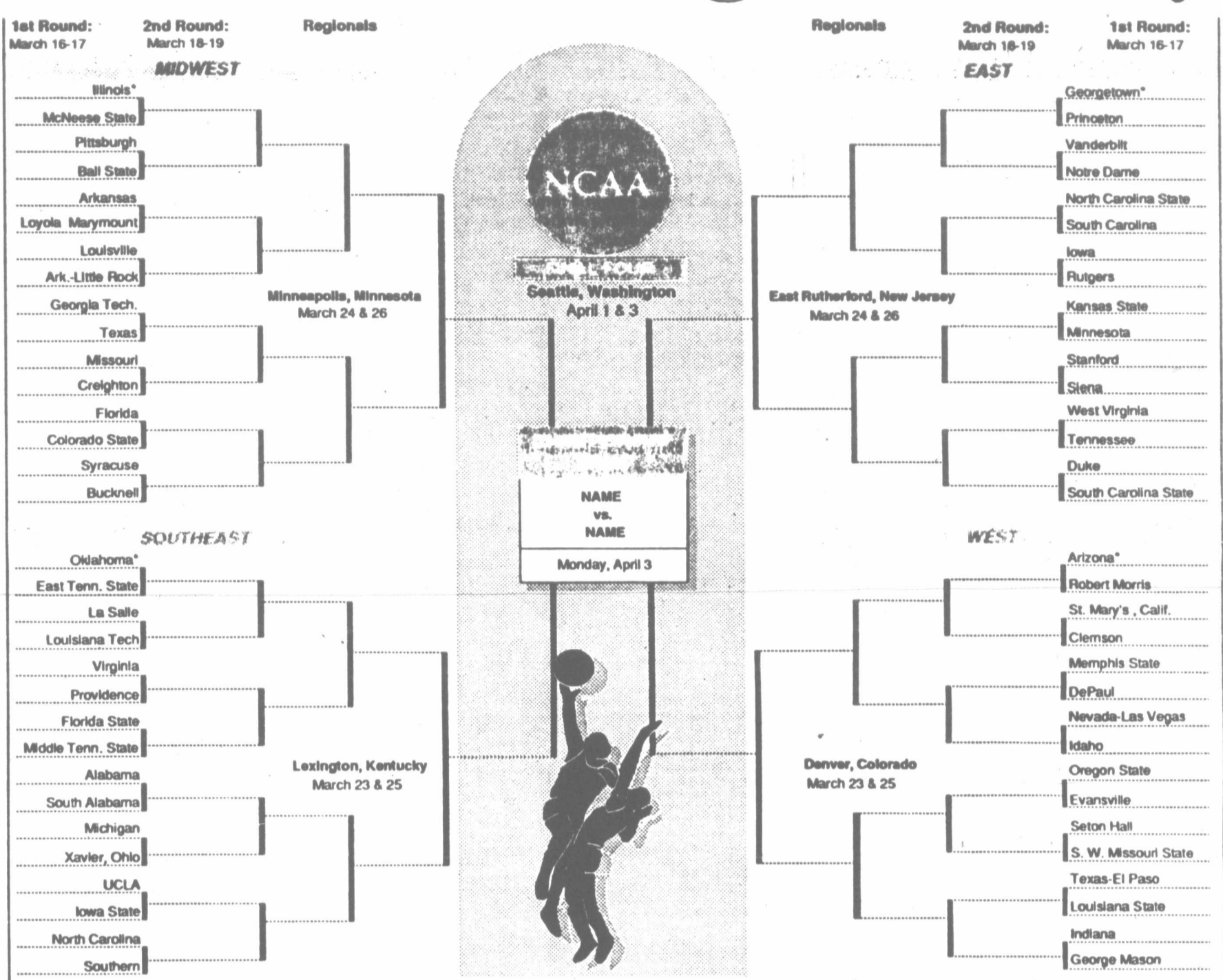
Sixteen more first-round games are on tap Friday, including No. 2 Georgetown, the remaining top seed, facing Princeton in the East regional at Providence, R.I.

The Blue Devils, who spent most of the first half of the season ranked No. 1 in the nation, come off a 77-74 loss to No. 5 North Carolina in the final of the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament.

"We've won some decent games but we've got nothing to show for it," Snyder said.

In the first of the evening games at Greensboro, Tennessee, 19-10, faces West Virginia, whose 25-4 record included a 22-game winning streak. The Mountaineers were upset by Penn State in the Atlantic 10 semifinals, but Coach Gale Catlett said the loss might not have been such a bad thing.

"I'm not a superstitious guy and I'm not one to think that a loss helps our team, but at the same time if there was any kind of silver lining from that it could be that we did get some rest," Catlett said. "The last 12 days of the season we were on the road for 11 of them. We played four games in eight days, and that tends to wear on a team a little bit."



Richmond tops Temple in NIT first-round

By BOB GREENE
AP Sports Writer

The Richmond Spiders demonstrated a mathematical truth: threes add up quicker than twos. Richmond sank a school record 10 of 17 shots from 3-point range Wednesday night as the Spiders defeated the cold-shooting Temple Owls 70-56 in a first-round NIT game.

"I just felt like I was in the groove," Richmond's Ken Atkinson said. "Every time I touched it, I wanted to shoot it."

Atkinson, who had a career-high 24 points, hitting 6-of-9 from 3-point range, said his performance was no accident, thanks to Richmond coach Dick Tarrant.

"Earlier in the week, Coach Tarrant pulled me aside and said, 'Hey, work on the 3-point shot,'" Atkinson said. "He never usually does that."

"I was very impressed with the way in which they shot the bas-

ketball," Temple coach John Chaney said. "They made the best use of the shots they got."

In other NIT games, it was St. John's 70, Mississippi 67; Penn State 89, Murray State 73; Villanova 76, St. Peter's 56; Connecticut 67, North Carolina-Charlotte 62; St. Louis 87, Southern Illinois 54; Wisconsin 63, New Orleans 61; and Ohio State 81, Akron 70.

Tonight, the first round continues with Kent State at Michigan State, Georgia Southern at Alabama-Birmingham, UC Santa Barbara at Wichita State, Arkansas State at Nebraska, Pepperdine at New Mexico State, Santa Clara at New Mexico and Hawaii at California.

On Friday, Boise State travels to Oklahoma State.

The second round will be played March 20-21 and the third round March 22-24. Sites for both rounds have yet to be determined.

Struggling Mavs fall to Warriors

Dallas slips to .500 for first time this year

By DAVE CARPENTER
AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. — The Golden State Warriors are experiencing a phenomenon about as rare as snow in the San Francisco Bay area: must-win games in March.

After losing three straight games and six of nine this month, the Warriors' grip on a second playoff berth in 12 years was weakening. Aggressive defense, Chris Mullin's 32 points and the struggling Dallas Mavericks stopped the streak Wednesday night in a 113-100 Golden State victory.

Coach Don Nelson told his players before the game that he badly wanted a win to kick off a five-game homestand. The Warriors hold the fifth of eight Western Conference playoff spots, but a loss would have shrunk their playoff cushion to 2 1-2 games with six straight road games looming just ahead.

"We do not have the playoffs made," Nelson said. "We are in

the hunt — we have a shot. We have to win these games at home before we go on the long Eastern road swing."

The fact that the Warriors are even talking about the postseason after going 20-62 last year represents a remarkable turnaround.

They are on a pace to win 46 games, which would make them the third most-improved team in NBA history. Only the 1979-80 Boston Celtics and 1969-70 Milwaukee Bucks, when Larry Bird and Lew Alcindor were rookies, turned things around faster.

Dallas coach John MacLeod, whose team slipped to .500 for the first time this late in the season in six years, was impressed by Golden State's defense. The Mavericks trailed the whole way after falling behind 18-7, and shot only 44 percent.

"They were very, very aggressive defensively," he said. "They double-teamed us, they chased us out of our offense, they were more physical than we were. They took us out of a lot of stuff we run."

Dallas was missing two of its four 7-footers — the recently sidelined James Donaldson and Roy Tarpley, still on the suspended list for drug rehabilitation. Bill Wennington made only his second start at center this season and managed just five points and five rebounds in 17 minutes.

Adrian Dantley and Sam Perkins led Dallas with 23 points each.

"It's been a tough year," said MacLeod. "We've had a lot of injuries and a lot of problems. And with James Donaldson out for the year, it's not going to get a lot easier."

Mitch Richmond added 23 points for the Warriors, who clinched their first season series victory over the Mavericks since 1981-82.

The Warriors also got an encouraging performance out of Ralph Sampson, making just his second start at center since before Christmas. With Larry Smith sitting out the game with a sprained hand, Sampson grabbed 11 rebounds and hit all five of his shots for 11 points.

"I've been moving pretty well the last few games," said Sampson, who missed 16 games following arthroscopic surgery on his left knee on Dec. 30.

The Mavericks haven't made more than 50 percent of their shots for 10 straight games. They have dropped 18 of their last 22 road games.

NBA Standings

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	42	19	.689	
Philadelphia	34	28	.548	8 1/2
Boston	31	26	.543	11
Washington	28	33	.459	14
New Jersey	23	41	.359	20 1/2
Charlotte	15	47	.242	27 1/2
Central Division				
Detroit	44	16	.733	
Cleveland	36	17	.730	
Milwaukee	40	20	.667	1/2
Atlanta	37	25	.597	8 1/2
Chicago	36	25	.590	9
Indiana	17	45	.274	28 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	40	23	.635	
Houston	34	28	.548	5 1/2
Denver	33	30	.524	7
Dallas	31	31	.500	8 1/2
San Antonio	17	45	.274	22 1/2
Miami	10	52	.161	29 1/2
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	44	18	.710	
Phoenix	39	23	.629	5
Seattle	36	26	.581	8
Golden State	35	27	.565	9
Portland	31	30	.508	12 1/2
Sacramento	18	45	.286	26 1/2
L.A. Clippers	13	50	.206	31 1/2
Thursday's Games				
Philadelphia at New York, 7:30 p.m.				
Boston at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.				
Milwaukee at Houston, 8:30 p.m.				
San Antonio at Denver, 9:30 p.m.				
Charlotte at Seattle, 10 p.m.				
Atlanta at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.				

Sherrill undecided about future plans

By RUTH RENDON
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON — Jackie Sherrill, who resigned as head football coach and athletic director at Texas A&M in December, said he hasn't decided what his future career plans are, but said he has several options.

Sherrill joked with reporters during his first public appearance since he resigned saying he had a lot to talk about during a Wednesday news conference, but the topic of discussion was the golf tournament to benefit the Gulf Coast Easter Seals.

"We're here to talk about golf," he said at the conference held at Weston Lakes Country Club outside Houston.

"I've done a lot of things," since he left Texas A&M, said Sherrill, who is hosting the May 5-6 golf tournament with oil well firefighter Red Adair. "I've been to Washington, San Francisco, California, Pittsburgh, and Florida."

"I'm a methodical person and also a person who is very organized. When it comes time to make a decision, I'm going to make it."

The former Aggie coach said he has been improving his golf game and hopes the tournament will raise between \$80,000 to \$100,000.

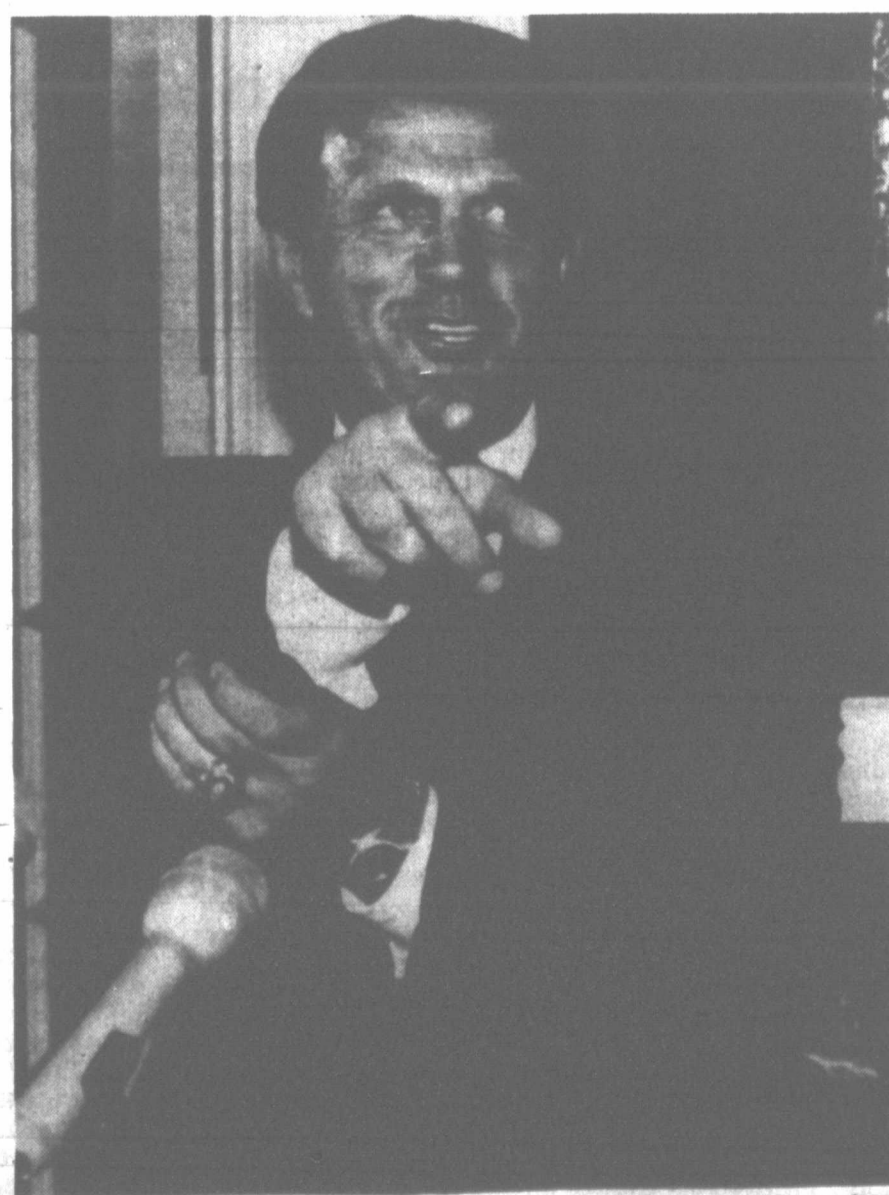
The tournament will feature among others actors Lorenzo Lamas and Spanky McFarland; Bum Phillips, former Houston Oilers and New Orleans Saints coach; Texas football coach David McWilliams; John David Crow, Texas A&M athletic director; and Jack Pardee, football coach at Houston.

Sherrill, who resigned Dec. 12 after being accused of paying "hush money" to a former player during a National Collegiate Athletic Association investigation, said he is exploring many options.

"When I do decide you'll be one of the first to know," he told reporters. He declined to specify his options.

"You guys in this business know that I'm probably harder than this floor when I make my mind to do something," Sherrill said when reporters repeatedly asked him about his plans. "And I've made up my mind and when I get ready to sit down and decide and discuss what I want to do then that's what I'll do. And until that time I'm not going to sit here and tell you what all my options are."

Sherrill, 45, was 53-27-1 at Texas A&M including an 8-4 record in 1988 and lead the Aggies to three Southwest Conference championships.



Former A&M coach Jackie Sherrill meets the press. (AP Laughter)

Swiping second



Kansas City's Kevin Seitzer slides into second with a stolen base in an exhibition game Wednesday against Cincinnati. The game was called after 12 innings with the score tied at 3-3. (AP Laserphoto)

Rangers' sale close

FORT WORTH (AP) — Eddie Chiles says he is the process of finalizing the sale of his majority ownership of the Texas Rangers to a partnership headed by George W. Bush and Ed "Rusty" Rose although he has received a contract offer and \$500,000 in earnest money from a Dallas-based group.

Chiles said the contract and \$500,000 came from a group of unidentified businessmen represented by Winstead McGuire, a Dallas attorney.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported today that sources close to baseball's ownership committee say the McGuire group has received a late endorsement from baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth.

Minority partner Edward L. Gaylord said Wednesday night that he approves the sale to the Bush-Rose group and will retain his 33-percent share of the team if that sale goes through.

"I met with young George and Richard Rainwater (a minority partner in the group) a few days ago for a little while," Chiles said. "We've talked to some of them on the telephone two or three times."

Bush is the son of President Bush and a consultant for a Bedford oil and gas firm. Rose is a Dallas financier and Rainwater is a Fort Worth businessman who once advised the Bass family.

Gaylord, of Oklahoma City, had previously said he would have reservations about remaining as a minority partner if Bush and Rose bought the team.

"I was a little unsure about some of his partners, and I haven't met them yet," Gaylord said. "But Bush himself is a fine man, and I guess he would take charge. We're glad to be a part of the Rangers."

McGuire presented him with the contract proposal, along with a check for half a million dollars, as a gesture of the group's seriousness before last week's owners meeting in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Chiles said.

Gaylord's bid to purchase Chiles' share was rejected by American League owners, who have expressed misgivings about Gaylord because of his ownership of KTVT-TV, a so-called "super station" because its programs are carried on numerous cable television systems.

Gaylord has the right of first refusal and used that right last year to end a bid by a group based in Tampa, Fla. Sources told the Fort Worth newspaper that Ueberroth, who earlier had strongly endorsed the Bush group, switched his support to the McGuire group during last week's ownership committee meeting in Florida.

The ownership committee must still approve any group that buys the majority interest from Chiles. There has been some speculation that they might oppose the Bush group because of much of the group's financing is believed to come from Bill DeWitt Jr. of Cincinnati, although Bush would be the general managing partner.

Ueberroth, who can use his powers "in the best interest of baseball" to override the owners and approve any ownership group, has said he wants to resolve the sale of the Rangers before he leaves office April 1.

Chiles said he has not met with any members of the group represented by McGuire.

"I have not talked to any of them, and I don't know if I know any of them," Chiles said. "They did send a check over, and I turned it over to our lawyers."

Chiles says there is no particular timetable in place for completion of the sale arrangements, but the Star-Telegram reported that it could be finalized by Friday.

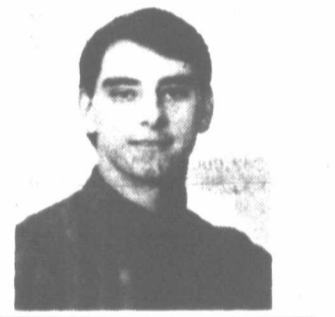
"We're working as diligently as we can, but we're not rushing it," Chiles said. "We're just taking things easy and trying to do everything right."

McGuire could not be reached for comment, and a spokesman for Bush reiterated that he won't comment until a sale is finalized.

Transported to baseball heaven

In Stride

By **Sonny Bohanan**



About this time each year, the first flutterings of the heart take hold. While the Texas Rangers are out in Port Charlotte, Fla., sizing up this season's competition, we hopeless Ranger junkies staked here on the plains begin to count up unused sick days and plot strategies for breaking out of our cubicles to embark on a full-blown road trip to Arlington during the first week of April.

Images of the grounds crew working feverishly at Arlington Stadium float across the computer screen as the aroma of new-mown grass wafts through the open window. Hawks peddle hot dogs and beer and we are transported to baseball heaven.

This is the dream sequence where Bobby Valentine and Tom Grieve mine the mother lode. The one where Pete Incaviglia discovers there is a mode of operation between Home Run and Strike Out and makes a diving

catch on a line-drive to short left. In this particular reverie, Ruben Sierra shakes off his reputation as a respectable hitter and plays to his potential, while Scott Fletcher continues to churn out bigger and bigger numbers at the plate.

We are envisioning the season in which the words Steve Buechele are no longer followed by the question, "Who?" and the front office does not require knee surgery after kicking itself for not trading him. In this kinder, gentler season, Buddy Bell and Bobby Valentine bury the hatchet, and not in each other's skulls.

When we close our eyes, Edwin Correa's right shoulder is better, faster, stronger. Bobby Witt comes of age, while Charlie Hough and Nolan Ryan spurn the Geritol and make time stand still for yet another season.

Even when we try really hard to remember the feats of Pete

O'Brien and Jerry Browne, all we can think of are the spectacular double plays by Rafael Palmeiro and Julio Franco. And in this summer of our content, Bell, Geno Petralli and Rick Leach once again elevate the designated hitter to the position that is called upon when the Rangers need a hit.

Rookie Chad Kreuter proves he can make the jump from Class AA to the bigs as he becomes the Rangers' No. 1 man behind the plate and Cecil Espy emerges as a regular in center field.

This, however, is not the season where the Rangers fade after the All-Star break. Kirby Puckett does not fly all the way to Texas from Minnesota to put one over the center field fence, and the makers of Tylenol do not sponsor bad night, ending the tradition of young tykes pounding on the metal bleachers for three solid hours.

When we summon all our imaginative powers, we see Interstate 30 snarled with traffic for each home game as the all-time attendance record soars. We picture the Ranger ticket office turning away fans who waited too long to get their tickets.

This, ladies and gentlemen, is the dream where Texas wins the American League pennant and we watch the World Series from Arlington Stadium.

High school statistician the ultimate fan

By **PAUL CONATZER**
Port Lavaca Wave

PORT LAVACA (AP) — Greg Janca sprawls across the floor in his living room, colored pens, newspapers and notebook arrayed around him, and his dog, Stretch, at his side.

Janca is updating the volumes of statistics he keeps on Calhoun High and other high school teams.

"I've been keeping stats since baseball season 1986," Janca said, but he has been a fan for much longer than that.

"He is the ultimate fan," Sandies head basketball coach Kim Ratliff said. Janca remembers watching Ratliff win her first game as Sandies coach.

"I was a junior in high school in her first season," he said. "I remember being in the Edna gym when she won her first ball game, and I was there when she won her 100th."

Janca had to travel to Goliad to watch Ratliff reach the century mark for wins at Calhoun.

Every season, Janca's records, which are kept in folders, seem to expand.

"I look through the state basketball tournament programs of previous years and look for tradition and start from there," he said.

He also uses statewide football magazines, corresponds with some of Texas' top coaches, and spends many hours looking through old newspapers at the newspaper offices in Port Lavaca and Victoria.

In the basketball season just ended, Janca covered all the teams in District 30-AAAA, in which Calhoun competes. He

also covered the teams in Victoria; Flatonia, where he was born and lived until moving to Port Lavaca in the third grade; the Corpus Christi King and Corpus Christi Ray girls; the Corpus Christi King boys; and both the boys and girls squads at Moulton.

"He's not just a statistician, he's an entertainer. I like his titles," Ratliff said.

She referred to the headings Janca gives to his sections on different teams. He calls his section on Sandies volleyball "The Mac Attack," after Sandies volleyball coach Jody McMillan.

Sandcrab baseball coach Fred Mease, for whom Janca serves as statistician, said: "He takes a lot of pressure off me. I don't have to depend on training anybody or spend any time on statistics. He gives me more time to coach."

Mease is amazed at the amount of information Janca can produce.

"He'll come up with stuff you never thought of. He has any statistic imagin-

able on any school. He works hard. He's made a difference."

Janca said Mease got him started doing stats. "There were times I wanted to quit on him, but he told me I couldn't because I was his right-hand man."

Janca said when former Sandcrab head coach and athletic director Charlie Hesse approached him before the first football game of the 1986 season and asked him to keep statistics, he agreed. But he was surprised at the work he was getting into, he said.

"Football stats are a heck of a lot harder to keep than other sports. You can't really enjoy the game, because you are working so hard," he said.

He said he got a whole new appreciation for volleyball last season through keeping statistics in that sport for the first time.

"If I could spend 24 hours a day doing stats, I would, but there is only so much information I can get down," Janca said.

Testimony reveals other Canadian sprinters used illegal drugs

TORONTO (AP) — Canadian sprinter Angella Issajenko knew the time had come to tell the truth about steroid use when she was ordered to testify before a government commission formed in the wake of the Ben Johnson scandal.

In testimony Wednesday, Issajenko said Canada's best sprinters would not have revealed the secret of their steroid use had the government not ordered the inquiry after Johnson was stripped of the

Pampa tracksters entered in Levelland Invitational

Winning the Levelland Invitational this Friday will be a tough task for the Pampa boys' track team, but coach Mike Shklar is looking forward to the challenge.

"It's a good deal for us," Shklar said. "They will be bringing in the Lubbock-area teams so it looks to be a strong field."

The Harvesters finished fourth out of seven teams in the Wichita Falls meet and Shklar is hoping for a better showing at Levelland.

"Outside of Jason Garren's 52 flat in the 400, our times just weren't very good. Garren ran his best race of the year," Shklar said.

Garren, who finished fourth in the 400 at Wichita Falls, appears to be recovered from a stone bruise which hampered the senior trackster in previous meets. He finished third in the 300 high hurdles two weeks ago at the Dalhart XIT Relays, which the Harvesters won.

Hurdler Michael Shklar and pole

vaulter Terrell Welch have also performed well, although both have been slowed by injuries. In three meets, Shklar has won the 100 300 hurdles at Dalhart, placed second in the 110 hurdles at the Amarillo Invitational and was third in both events at Wichita Falls. Welch placed second in the Amarillo Invite, was third at Wichita Falls and didn't compete in the Dalhart meet due to a strained muscle.

Shklar looks for the Harvesters to show some improvement at the Levelland meet.

"We've had some late entrants come out and two or three will definitely help us," Shklar said. "I may move a couple of junior varsity people up who are looking good and change some positions around in the sprints."

The Pampa girls, who have won two of three meets this season, are also entered at Levelland.

Preliminaries begin at 2:30 p.m., followed by the finals at South Plains

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Runyan takes Iditarod; Butcher falls from top

NOME, Alaska (AP) — Musher Susan Butcher was about 70 miles from the finish line in the 1,168-mile contest when she knew she wouldn't catch Joe Runyan, who broke her three-year winning streak in the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.

"I'm not disappointed," said Butcher. "Everybody says it's hard to fall from the top. But I've had a lot of good races. I thought it would hurt, but it didn't hurt at all. So I don't feel bad."

Butcher, 33, of Manley, finished second Wednesday, arriving in Nome with nine dogs about an hour behind Runyan, 40, of Nenana, and his team of 12.

Runyan crossed the finish line in the 17th annual race after 11 days and 5½ hours on the Iditarod Trail between Anchorage and Nome, about three hours short of Butcher's 1987 record time.

Forty-nine mushers left Anchorage on March 4 with up to 18 dogs each.

The race was inspired by a sled-dog relay of serum to Nome during a 1925 diphtheria outbreak.

Butcher was followed by Rick Swenson, who holds a record four Iditarod victories achieved over six years.

Fourth-place musher Dee Dee Jonrowe finished the 22-mile stretch of trail between Safety and Nome at 10:47 p.m. Wednesday, with 36 other teams strung along the route as far back as Kaltag, 357 miles from the finish.

Nome was a partying town on victory night. The bars were packed with residents and people who traveled to the remote town of 4,300 for the race and the Iditarod.

Cheney gains committee OK

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Armed Services Committee voted 17-0 today to approve the nomination of Defense Secretary-designate Dick Cheney, a six-term congressman praised by the panel's chairman for his "honor and integrity."

The vote came exactly one week after the Senate rejected the nomination of former Texas Sen. John Tower and handed President Bush a major defeat in his first high-stakes clash with Congress.

Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, said Wednesday that the full Senate probably would vote on the Cheney nomination Friday, before the Senate begins a two-week recess.

The panel's chairman, Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., who led the fight against Tower, praised Cheney Wednesday as "well-qualified, a person of honor and integrity."

The Wyoming congressman won wide popularity among his colleagues on Capitol Hill as House minority whip, the second-ranking Republican leadership post in the chamber.

"We found nothing in the financial report, nothing in the FBI report, nothing in our questioning of him that would in any way interfere with his ability to be secretary of defense, and I believe a successful secretary of defense," Nunn said.

Sen. John Warner of Virginia, ranking Republican on the committee, said it was "very important for national security interests" that the full Senate act quickly on the nomination.

After the rancorous, six-week debate over Tower, who was dogged by allegations of drinking and womanizing, the committee moved with lightning speed on Cheney.

On Tuesday, the committee held nearly four hours of hearings in an open session marked by praise for Cheney and general questions about his defense policies.

After receiving the necessary financial documents, FBI background check and White House reports, the committee met in closed session with the nominee Wednesday morning.

No apparent change in policy on hostages

WASHINGTON (AP) — Terry Anderson begins his fifth year as a hostage in Lebanon today with Bush administration officials reiterating that their policy of making no concessions is the best course.

Bush, who took office barely two months ago, has continued the former Reagan administration's policies that he helped develop as vice president, U.S. officials said.

"In terms of our policy, there has been no change, and I don't foresee one," said a State Department Middle East expert who refused to be identified by name. He called the policy the only one that might work.

Since the Reagan administration was embarrassed in November 1986 by revelations it had sold weapons to Iran, the U.S. policy has been, "No concessions, but we're willing to talk to anyone," another official said.

But Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan, D-N.Y., a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said he would not accept "the explanation that nothing can be done." Moynihan was to introduce a resolution today in the Senate condemning hostage-taking.

"Something must be done, the executive branch must seek to use every avenue, formal and informal, to win the hostages freedom," Moynihan said in a statement released Wednesday by his office.

On Capitol Hill, several groups planned to hold a ceremony for Anderson, 41, a correspondent for

The Associated Press. Sponsors include No Greater Love, a humanitarian organization, and the Journalists Committee to Free Terry Anderson.

Anderson's sister, Peggy Say of Cadiz, Ky., a leader in the drive to win her brother's freedom, will attend the ceremony. She has been critical of U.S. government efforts on behalf of the hostages.

"You want to hope they are working on it, but let's face it, four years speak for itself," she said. Say said she does not think the Bush administration has made any new drives to free the hostages. "Basically, things are just status quo."

She listed specific initiatives the United States could pursue, including payments to the families of Iranians killed last July when the USS Vincennes shot down an Iranian jetliner in the Persian Gulf. The State Department said it is working on a payment plan.

"You begin to wonder what it takes to move people," Mrs. Say said. "They have heard and read how hostages have died, how they have gone mad, how they exist from day-to-day in the most barbaric conditions and the world does not respond."

As he begins his fifth year as a hostage in Lebanon on Thursday, accounts from freed hostages describe Anderson as a man still making the best of the worst circumstances, and trying to encourage others to do the same.

Anderson was born Oct. 27, 1947, in Lorain, Ohio. He went to high school in Batavia, N.Y., and

graduated from Iowa State University.

He came to Beirut in the summer of 1982, recruited from the AP's Johannesburg bureau to help cover the Israeli invasion. He returned to South Africa but was back in Beirut in November as the bureau's news editor.

Anderson became the chief Middle East correspondent in August 1983.

On March 16, 1985, after Anderson played a game of tennis. Three young men in a green Mercedes kidnapped him at gunpoint. The pro-Iranian Shiite group Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility.

Anderson is the longest-held of the 15 foreigners in captivity in Lebanon. His father and brother both died of cancer in 1986. He has never seen his younger daughter, Sulome, born shortly after his abduction.

Officials say different factions hold the hostages, but they are elements of the umbrella group, Hezbollah, over which Iran exhibits control. The United States has called for the unconditional release of all hostages before it will talk with Iran.

The families' frustration follows a brief sense of optimism that followed Bush's Jan. 20 inaugural address in which he re-

ated his opposition to any deals, but seemed to send a signal to the captors.

"There are today Americans who are held against their will in foreign lands and Americans who are unaccounted for," Bush said. "Assistance can be show here, and will be long remembered. Good will begets good will."

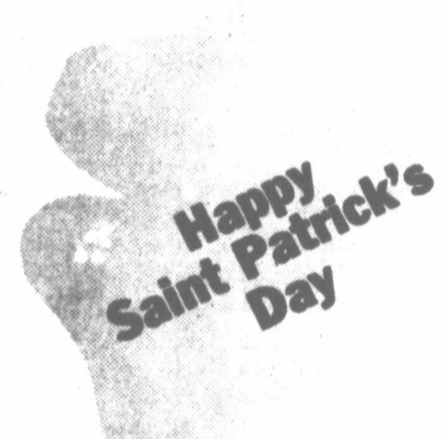
Since then, other developments have intervened, most recently the furor over "The Satanic Verses," a book by Salman Rushdie that Moslems consider to be blasphemous. The Iranian government has called for Rushdie's death.

At the State Department, Michael Mahoney is the designated contact with the family members. He said he tries to call the families every two weeks to reassure them "someone is paying attention to them," and to put current events in their proper context.

Mahoney also monitors the dozens of letters the department receives each month from Americans on the hostages. In the 18 months he has worked at the job, Mahoney said he has not noticed any change in the volume.

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