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## Richards asks for miracles in 'State of State' address

Gov. Ann Richards, in her State of the State address to a joint session, asked legislators to expand health care to all Texans, spend more on vaccinations for kids and give teachers a pay raise.

And do it all without raising taxes. She was promptly blasted by pressured fellow Democrats as well as Republicans, most notably by Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, former education panel chairman.

"You either don't know the system or you're lying to the teachers," Parker told Richards' budget director later that day. He said the proposal was worthy of a freshman lawmaker.

House Speaker Pete Laney, trying to reform public school finance in the first 30 days of the young session, stopped short of endorsing Richards' proposals.

**School Finance Progress**  
The Senate Education committee approved an amendment to reform school finance, but it is far from greeted for the two-thirds majority needed in both houses.

Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crocket, said he wants more money shared statewide, a sentiment echoed by some liberal members.

Although the Senate plan is sponsored by a GOP panel chairman, Bill Ratliff, the House Republican Caucus will not support it, said caucus chairman Tom Craddock, R-Midland.

**Controversial Savings Plan**  
Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock nixed

## State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams  
Texas Press Association

Comptroller John Sharp's proposal to lawmakers to save \$4.5 billion in the state budget.

Bullock, a former Comptroller himself, called Sharp's plan "a shell game," which prompted a Sharp aide to say Bullock's plan contained as much smoke and mirrors.

**Texas, Military Gays**  
Texas Republicans and Democrats running in the May 1 election for U.S. Senate split down party lines on whether homosexuals should be banned from the military.

Interim Sen. Bob Krueger, Gov. Ann Richards' choice in the race, said he favors ending the ban on gays in the military. So does likely fellow Democrat opponent Jim Mattox, former state attorney general.

The cluster of Republicans in the race all announced opposition to ending the ban. Congressmen Jack Field, Joe Barton, and state Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Krueger, though, asked President Clinton to postpone ending the ban, quite likely to avoid voting for homosexuals during the upcoming election campaign.

## Other Highlights

Gov. Ann Richards bet a year's supply of jalapeno peppers against New York Gov. Mario Cuomo's 1,000 buffalo wings that the Dallas Cowboys would beat the Buffalo Bills in the Super Bowl.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry wagered a case of Texas vintage against a case of New York wine, a bet taken by New York Agriculture Commissioner Richard McGuire.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock stopped short of apologizing, but said he regretted his misfired "joke" that state Sen. Judith Zaffner, D-Laredo, would pass more legislation if he wore heels and shorter dresses.

Zaffner, Gov. Ann Richards, and other Democratic women defended Bullock from an onslaught of criticism for a sexist remark, including a firestorm from Republican women's groups.

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sional women for not using the opportunity to criticize sexual harassment in the real-world workplace.

Texas' population will double over the next 60 years, driven by increased immigration and higher birth rates among minorities, predicted the Center for Immigration Studies.

By 2020, the predicted ethnic ratio will be 47.2% white, 37.3% Hispanic, 11.6% black and 2.3% Asian.

By 2050, there will be no dominant ethnic group.

Texas Automobile Dealers Association president Gene Fontana, a former state representative who became one of the Legislature's most powerful lobbyists, is one of eight new inductees into the Automotive Hall of Fame in Midland, Michigan.

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Let's Look Back...

## 24 &amp; 48 YEARS AGO

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W.D. Estlinbaum a long time resident of Eagle Lake passed away March 28 in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. He was born in 1886 in Bernardo...

L.O. (Jim) Frnka is the new service manager and Arthur Behrens is assistant manager at Lake Motor Co. announce Charles Boggs and Joe S. Reed, owners...

Mr. and Mrs. George Kretschmar moved to Bay City Monday where he has been transferred with Central Power and Light Co...

Funeral services were held for Henry Ernest Stallman of Garwood on Saturday. He passed away March 27...

Mrs. John Waligara passed her 86th birthday anniversary with a party Sunday...

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