

# State

## One month without television

### Tube withdrawal successful

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. — One mother resorted to bribery. Her son countered by threatening to booby-trap her room.

The high-stakes bargaining was centered on the family television — off limits for 53 families who voluntarily pulled the plugs on their tubes during November, part of a private school's experiment to increase reading.

One family had to fight the temptation of a new color set, cruelly delivered in the last days of October.

A mother admitted she couldn't break the habit of folding laundry

with the TV blaring.

Many of the volunteers gathered Tuesday at the private, co-educational Wheeler School to discuss their month away from "Dallas," "Monday Night Football," and addictive daily soap operas.

Nearly 10 percent of the private school's 540 students and their parents volunteered for the experiment. None seemed to be suffering any ill effects of video deprivation.

The challenge was issued by Peter H. Hufstader, English Department chairman, who said he was shocked at the steady erosion of

reading skills.

"The logic behind the whole thing is to call attention to the fact that heavy, chronic TV watchers do not make good readers," Hufstader said. "It's not an attack on television. It's time. There's only so much time in the day, and TV interrupts that time."

Tube withdrawal, although a painful experience for many families, was unanimously called a success by the 75 parents and children who reported on their month without TV sitcoms and cartoons.

Most agreed life without television did not necessarily mean more reading, but did encourage more conversation, family-

centered activities and other pursuits.

Jill Tyler said of her seventh-grader Jamarl:

"It was hard for him, but not for me. The TV's in his room. I bribed him. I told him I'd buy him a record. At first, he stuck his tongue out at me. Then he threatened to booby-trap my room."

Sarah Whinery, a mother of two, said:

"It forced you to change your habits. I think, in the beginning, we all went madly through our books. Later, we played games and talked. There was a sense of quiet and tranquility, more talking."

## Stockmen argue against coyote chemical limits

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WASHINGTON — Interior Secretary James Watt has relaxed rules for coyote control, but he didn't satisfy livestock producers who face loss of cattle and sheep to the predators.

Livestock officials expected the Department of the Interior to rescind a 1972 executive order by President Nixon that banned use of toxic chemical compound 1080 on public lands.

However, the officials complained that the latest changes put them back to 1979, before former Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus tightened rules on tools used to control coyotes and other animals.

Sheep and cattle producers said the announcement last month by Robert Jantzen, U.S. Fish and Wildlife director, was too little and too late.

Jim Barron of the National Cattlemen's Association said that "the coyote has nothing to fear by this new announcement."

Jantzen said the Department of the Interior requested that the Environmental Protection Agency register 1080 for use in sheep collars that give a lethal dose to animals biting a sheep's neck. The purpose of the collars is to limit exposure of 1080 in the environment.

Jantzen said his agency would ask the EPA for a limited experimental-use permit for field trials of 1080 and would permit denning, or killing coyote families in their dens, under restricted circumstances.

Jantzen said he would recommend that the EPA modify existing restrictions on M44, a baited, spring-activated device that kills coyotes.

Don Meike, chairman of the

National Wool Growers Association, said the Department of the Interior came up with nearly nothing after nine months of study. He said there is no evidence that the department has made a commitment to live up to its responsibility to control livestock predation and reduce coyote populations.

Barron said the changes are inadequate in view of heavy livestock losses and possible increases in consumer prices.

Use of the toxic collar has limited value, he said, and livestock groups are unsure of the meaning of restricted denning.

"In the meantime, coyote populations are exploding throughout the West and now even in the Midwest and East, and the livestock industry continues to lose hundreds of millions of dollars unnecessarily," Barron said.

Livestock producers said further research on 1080 is unnecessary, since existing research supports re-registration of the compound and insures its safety in application.

Meike said unnecessary research would delay re-registration at least two years. In the meantime, he said, more livestock producers would be forced out of business, consumer prices would rise and citizens would be jeopardized by coyotes.

Tye Moore, president of the Public Lands Council, said: "The ban on 1080 must be lifted immediately."



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