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Goldenrod not a culprit

United Press International

LEWISBURG, Pa. — Goldenrod has been given a bum rap for causing hay fever.

It is not, and never has been, responsible for hay fever, says Dr. Warren G. Abrahamson, an associate professor of biology at Bucknell University.

The professor said goldenrod probably has been incorrectly blamed because there is so much of it and it blooms at the same time as ragweed.

Economist: real estate good risk

University News Service

Despite statistics showing a decline in home ownership for the first time in 20 years, a research economist says real estate still remains the best long-term investment.

"The recent decline in home ownership is the result of higher housing costs and higher interest rates, which make homes unaffordable for more Americans," said Dr. Waldo Born of the Texas Real Estate Research Center at Texas A&M University.

Real estate investments are as vulnerable to interest rates as other investments, Born said. But well-located properties can be better long-term investments than those found in the money and capital markets.

"When an individual has funds that he doesn't need right now and can commit them for several years, then he should consider one or more of a variety of real estate invest-

ments. Whether they're shopping centers, office buildings, warehouses or duplexes and houses for rent, real estate can still be a better investment than those found in the money and capital markets. An advantage of owning real estate is it will never go away," he said.

The U.S. Census Bureau recently reported the percentage of homes owned by the people who live in them dropped from 65.6 percent in 1980 to 64.6 percent in 1983, the first decline in more than 20 years. During the 1970s home ownership rose 1.4 percent and has risen steadily form 43.6 percent in 1940, according to the bureau's report.

Born said the decline will continue if interest rates continue to increase in the long run — "particularly if they increase like they have in the past two months."

"People still have plenty of alter-

natives for places to live. They're going to have to pitch tents up along the side of the highway," he added.

"They're just not buying right now." Current mortgage interest rates of 13-14 percent have pushed monthly payments. Assuming a 3 percent down payment, 30-year loans with level payments and 14 percent interest rate, monthly payments for a \$50,000 home (or \$40,000 loan) would be \$475 per month, he said. The figure doesn't include taxes and insurance.

With the same terms at a 12 percent interest rate, monthly payments would be \$413. At 16 percent interest they would be \$539.

Born advises people in the market for a house to shop around for lenders. "Don't go to the first guy on the street," he said. "Find the person who will make the loan on the best terms."

West Texas couple sues IRS

United Press International

EL PASO — A West Texas couple has filed a \$1 million lawsuit against the Internal Revenue Service and two of its collection officers for allegedly disclosing information about the couple's tax return, U.S. District Court officials said Tuesday.

Alberto F. Morales and his wife, Eloisa, owners of Trading Group Inc. of El Paso, are suing IRS collection officers James Haynes and Virginia Perez, and IRS District Director Glenn Cagle.

The suit alleges they disclosed contents of the couple's Taxpayer Return Information to an employee of Trading Group and an El Paso police officer. The file contains total assets, liabilities, tax returns and other tax information about the couple.

Federal statute "prohibits that disclosure and provides for damages against the U.S. government," said Towner Leeper, the couple's lawyer.

"The information that was disclosed by the collection officers should remain private," he said.

"It's been my experience that this type of behavior by collection officers is quite frequent," Leeper said. "This is the first lawsuit brought for these charges. The statute under which these charges are brought is relatively new. It was passed by Congress only last year."

IRS collection officers have a set of guidelines to follow, Leeper said, but "the problem is to get the officers to follow them."

"People are already intimidated by the IRS, and collection officers can intimidate them even more,

through threats of disclosure and seizures of property," he said.

The suit charges that on Feb. 11, 1983, in the offices of Mr. and Mrs. Morales, the collection officers made the disclosure.

As a result of the disclosure, the couple has "sustained and continues to sustain actual damages in the form of loss of business, business opportunities, borrowing power, and of business and personal reputation," the suit charges.

Although the couple can not yet determine the precise amount of damages they suffered as the result of the disclosure, or from the "intentional harassment," they are asking for \$1 million in punitive damages and the suit charges, according to the suit.

Cheating

School district investigates 3rd grade achievement exam

United Press International

DALLAS — An investigation is under way to determine whether teachers helped some third-grade students cheat on their achievement tests to enhance their own chances for salary bonuses, a school district spokesman said Tuesday.

The high scores were recorded by students in 12 classes in four schools on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, whose results are part of the criteria to determine teacher bonuses under the district's incentive-pay plan.

Superintendent Linus Wright, who was criticized for introducing the incentive plan, has said he will recommend the dismissal of any teacher who helped the students on the tests.

Spokesman Rodney Davis said the district was operating under the assumption the students simply did well on the tests and that there was no cheating.

However, he said the district first identified 28 classes with unusually high test scores and that upon retesting only 16 classes did well. Students in the other 12 classes scored lower than they on the first tests, he said.

He said it is possible some teachers may have called out answers or used copies of the tests for practice prior to the testing.

"Last spring, when the plan went into effect, some of the companies (making the tests) said they had received requests from teachers for copies of the tests," Davis said.

He said some teacher groups opposed the incentive plan and warned there would be cheating to qualify for the plan, which can boost the salary of a teacher whose students show marked improvement by \$1,500 a year.

"The teacher groups would continue to say that but we have mon-

itors in the classes where the tests are being administered," Davis said. "In this particular instance, we don't know where the monitors were at the time of the test. We are still leaving open the possibility the scores resulted from better teaching."

In announcing the investigation, Wright said, "This is something personally won't tolerate as superintendent. If sufficient evidence of cheating is found, I will recommend termination."

District officials said principals will talk with teachers of those classes to determine if they helped the students cheat or if the children simply did superior work.

"The pay incentive program should not be reason for anybody to violate their professional ethics," Wright said. "People that are inclined to cheat are going to cheat whether they have incentive or not."

HISD parents oppose year-long schools

United Press International

HOUSTON — The Houston Independent School District, which opened Texas' first year-round school in 1983, Tuesday scaled down plans for an additional 13 year-round schools because of parental opposition.

HISD officials had planned to open 13 more year-round schools in September, but they eliminated Ed White and Elrod Elementary schools in southwest Houston from their plans because they lacked enough support from parents.

"Parents just said it would disrupt their schedule," said Joan Cullinane,

principal at Elrod Elementary School.

"Any time you're doing a year-round program, you need the support of about 90 percent of the parents. They (at Elrod and Ed White) had a lot of support but it wasn't at the 90-percent level," said Faye Bryant, associate superintendent for magnet schools.

In year-round programs, students have cycles of 60 days of instruction followed by 20 days of vacation. Students may voluntarily attend classes during the breaks for remedial work or other activities.

Cullinane said about 150 parents

from Elrod last month attended an emotional hearing in which they said the year-round schooling would disrupt family vacations and routine family schedules.

"The No. 1 concerns were work schedules and their high school and middle school children not being of the same calendar," Patricia McCann, principal at Ed White, said.

Eleven other schools in the Houston district plan to begin year-round programs in September. HISD has approved about 70 new extended-day programs for next year for an estimated cost of \$1.6 million.

Pro-gay amendments opposed

United Press International

HOUSTON — City Councilman John Goodner, saying homosexuals should not hold city jobs which might be "role models" for children, vowed to fight efforts to change city regulations to prohibit employment discrimination against gays.

Goodner opposes proposed amendments to the city's affirmative action program and the civil service ordinance which would add the term "sexual orientation" to existing regulations that ban discrimination against individuals based on race, sex and religion.

The city council was scheduled to

vote on the amendments late Tuesday.

The politically powerful gay community in Houston has sought the changes in city regulations for years.

Assistant City Attorney Paul Bibler, who prepared the amendments at the request of City Councilman Anthony Hall, said the changes would simply "codify" the city's "longstanding practice of neither inquiring nor discriminating against city employees or contractors on the basis of sexual orientation."

Goodner said the city should not ask employment applicants if they are gay, but that when officials learn

that a homosexual is in a job that includes close contact with children, the person should be removed from the job.

Goodner cited officers in the police juvenile division as types of jobs gays should not hold.

Ray Hill, a board member of the Gay Political Caucus and head of the Houston Human Rights League, said he receives three or four complaints each year from gays about unfair treatment in city employment because of their sexual preference.

Hill said there are no laws in the U.S. or Texas which currently protect homosexuals against employment discrimination.