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Fast chase Warped ends with collision

United Press International

CORPUS CHRISTI - A Louisiana teenager trying to elude police in a stolen luxury car drove it at a high speed up the wrong side of the city's highest bridge and was killed in a head-on collision with two other vehicles, police chief Bill Banner

Glen Hawlett, 15, of Gretna, La., was pinned in the late-model Lincoln Continental and was pro-nounced dead at the scene of the wreck that backed up traffic for nearly an hour over the Habor Bridge. The bridge connects Corpus Christi and Portland.

Banner said a stolen pistol was found lying between the dead teen-

ager's legs.

Hawlett's companion, teenager
Randy Kirk, was among four people
injured in the wreck and was treated at Memorial Hospital. No one was seriously injured.

Also hurt were Johnny Bustillo, driver of a van, and his passenger, Roy Soliz, both of nearby Sinton, and Raymond Villarreal, who was driving a pickup truck involved in

Banner said the chase began when Patrolman Richard Garcia spotted the Continental in downtown Corpus Christi not long after the car allegedly was used in an aggravated assault and theft at a central gasoline

Garcia reported that the Continental, which had Louisiana license plates, sped away and entered the exit ramp onto the bridge going against traffic.

The officer said he did not immediately pursue the fleeing car because he had to stop and allow a civilian passenger to get out of the car.

600 miles above Earth, and the second, Navstar GPS, orbits 12,000 miles above Earth.

by Scott McCullar



Surveying by satellites cuts down cost, tedium

United Press International

AUSTIN - A new satellite technology promises a savings in money, and often cuts out weeks of drudgery as well, in the boring but impor-tant task of surveying that must be done by the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transporta-

The highway department is the first state agency in the nation to use satellite surveying, says Roger Mer-rell, an engineer with the department's automation division.

"Satellite surveying is simply the use of earth-orbiting satellites to determine one's position," he said, adding that the state does about 800 miles of mapping and 1,200 miles of traverse surveying each year.

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Texas is using two satellite systems

in the project.
The Transit System, which has been in use since 1960, orbits about As the satellites sail over, they ceiver measuring the range vector transmit signals that include data periodic intervals, but additional about the location of the satellite and information from extremely accurate clocks on board.

Ground positions are determined by measuring the distance between

train comes down the track toward you, the pitch of the whistle changes. "It's that sort of thing, in simple

terms, that we are measuring as the satellites move across the sky. The highway department crews

measure the change in the signal phase angle to compute their positions, making hundreds of such measurements in a matter of a few

Merrell said it is possible to deter-mine positions with only one re-

ceivers are best. With a single receiver, you mig get your position down to within say, one meter," he said. "With mor receivers, you can get it down to, sa

the satellites and the instruments on the ground by listening to the signals from the satellite.

"If you have ever listened to a train passing you with the whistle blowing, you have heard the Doppler effect," says Merrell. "As the train comes down the train comes down the train the train comes down the train the train comes down the train the train the train the train the train the satellites and the instruments on the ground by listening to the signals one-half mile or so."

Merrell says the department crews, using the satellite surveying equipment, normally get measurements ranging in ratios of pressurements ranging in ratios of pressurements ranging in ratios of pressurements and the companies of the product of t

The major drawback to the sate lite surveying is that with only six s tellites aloft, the state has only as or seven-hour window in which receive signals. The window mor about four minutes a day, meaning crews often must work at night

But Merrell says studies thus in have determined that with satelli surveying, work crews can accompish in one hour what it previous took six hours to accomplish.

Volunteers clean up Texas lakeshores

By KAREN BLOCH

Reporter

Even the possibility of being fined up to \$200 fails to keep some people from littering area lakes

Volunteers collected more than 17 tons of trash from the shores of lakes Sam Rayburn, Grapevine, and Lewisville this summer as part of the Texas Conservation Foundation's First Annual Texas Lakeshore Cleanup Project.

"The corps of engineers at Lake Somerville is planning a similar cleanup project for next year," Guy Hopson, reservior manager at Lake Somerville, said.

Several area bass clubs have al-ready begun efforts for park im-

"Habitat improvements which will aid the spawning of small fish have already been made," Hopson said, "and plans for general cleanup and individual park improvements are in

Hopson said the official project probably will take place each year in the spring "when the weather is cooler and it's less humid. That way more people may be willing to par-

Plans to expand next year's program across the state will be completed only if corporate sponsors and local volunteers are found.

"The success of the Lakeshore Cleanup Project is almost completely dependent on the public's interest in the program and their willingness to work," said Ben Fulshe, spokesman for the Boating Trades Association of Texas, the major source of fund-

ing for this year's project.

The Texas Conservation Foundation estimated the volunteers—
members of various bass clubs, conservation groups, scout troops and trade associations - who participated in the program this year col-lected an average of more than 80 pounds of trash per person.



Compliments of the Boating Trades Association of Texas Volunteers pick up trash at Lake Sam Rayburn.

B-1 crash investigated; program to continue

United Press International

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif.— Investigation into the first crash of a B-1 bomber began Thursday, and the secretary of the Air Force said the program would continue despite the death of a test pilot

and injury of two crew members.

In Washington Thursday, Air Force Secretary Verne Orr said Wednesday's crash of a B-1A prototype "was most unfortunate" but that the new version of the plane called the B-1A would be unveiled

Tuesday as scheduled.

Killed in the crash was Tommie Douglas Benefield, 55, of Marshall, the chief test pilot for Rockwell International, manufacturer of the bomber. Benefield died in the ejection capsule, an Air Force spokes-

"We grieve with the family of Doug Benefield and the families of those Air Force officers who were injured," Orr said in a statement, but added, "We anticipate no impact on the projected first flight of the B-1B in October or the overall project."

A half-mile area surrounding the charred wreckage was sealed off for a military board of inquiry that began arriving hours after the plane went down about 10 miles northeast of the sprawling Southern California

"Because it's the first time a B-1 has crashed, they will be writing the book all over again," said Master Sgt. Gerry Ditchfield, an Air Force spokesman.

127th test flight of the bomber pro-

expected for 40 to 60 days.

Master Sgt. Wally Ross said all three crew members were in an ejection capsule that was carried to earth by parachute. The new version the bombers built and was being used plane will have individual ejection

The injured airmen were in stable condition at a hospital in Lancaster, Calif. They were Maj. Richard V. Reynolds, 35, of Hoquiam, Wash., and Capt. Otto J. Waniczek, 30, of

Lt. Col. Alan Sabsevitz said the jet, which Ohio Sen. John Glenn, a for-mer test pilot and astronaut, flew in last week, was the first B-1 bomber

The B-1 bombers, costing up to The accident occurred on the \$40 million each, have been contro- Force's strategic bomber fleet s versial since the first contract was the 1950s.

gram. Investigation results are not awarded in 1970. Critics contend plane would be obsolete before

Sabsevitz said the plane the crashed was the second of four study handling characteristics the new B-1B.

The plane was built in 1974 first flew in 1976 until Presi Carter scrubbed the program. dent Reagan resurrected the gram that Carter scrubbed in and ordered production of more jets. Funds await congress

approval.

The B-1, with a 136-foot span and a maximum speed of l mph, was designed to replace larger B-52, backbone of the

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