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Trustee claims oilman's assets unaccounted for

among Davis' assets are unaccounted in order to qualify for Chapter 7 for in bankruptcy records. protection from his creditors. for in bankruptcy records.

"They (the assets) were there,

Judge Massie Tillmon in a court docrom stock sales and rare art objects violin and a miniature racetrack. hat were once counted among Da-

lare bankruptcy and escape paying n estimated \$865 million in debts, suffered a setback in court Wednesay when a federal bankruptcy adge ordered his attorney to proluce financial records detailing the

FORT WORTH (AP) - A trustee declared bankruptcy. She's fighting representing creditors of Fort to have the bankruptcy permanently Worth oilman T. Cullen Davis said overturned, and claims Davis illemillions of dollars once counted gally gave away or concealed assets

DuPriest alleges the missing assets according to certain records, and includes \$10 million Davis received according to bankruptcy records, for the sale of his southside mansion they're gone," trustee Twalla Du-Priest said. "Where did it go? The income from business holdings in creditors have a right to know." 1984 and 1985, \$50,000 from the DuPriest told U.S. Bankruptcy sale of oil and gas stocks back to their parent company and art objects, inment the assets include proceeds cluding a lapis cigarette case, antique

vis'assets. Davis, who has been waging a le-gal battle for more than a year to de-of art pieces and hundreds of acres of real estate to religious organizations, paid up utility bills in advance and bought a new car, which is pro-tected from seizure by creditors, just before filing for bankruptcy. At the time he filed, Davis listed a net worth

one-time billionaire's income over the last several years. DuPriest accuses Davis of failure oexplain satisfactorily his loss of as-test in a list of assets he filed when he

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Decision expected Friday in FBI case

EL PASO (AP) — A federal judge s expected to make a decision Fri-lay morning in the discrimination iit against the FBI

Lawyers for El Paso agent Ber-nardo "Matt" Perez, who filed the lass action suit in 1987, says a favorble ruling could affect Hispanics in ll levels of government agencies

Perez said he hopes it will improve pmotional policies within the

"We have great expectations but

Wheat fields hold secret of proposal

ABILENE (AP) — For Tim Wood of Tulsa, Okk., proposing to his girlfriend was a tough row to ho

In big block letters, 140 feet high and perfectly straight, Wood, an airline pilot, spelled out his proposal to Michelle Bryan of Abilene on 11 acres of her faher's wheat field near Winters, about 45 miles south of Abilene.

Then he headed for Abilene to pick up Michelle after she got off work, and they went up in a we won't know until the judge ren-ders his decision," Perez said Wednesday.

U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton presided over the three-week trial in August. The class-action suit, which includes 311 agents from across the nation, alleges that the agency discriminates against Hispanics in its promotion policies. It seeks \$5 mil-

lion in damages. Bunton told the *El Paso Times* before the end of the trial that he expected to make a decision by Oct. 1. The trial involved 90 witnesses,

including 60 FBI agents. Agents testified about being subjected to racial slurs, about having to do tedious as-signments because of their Spanishspeaking ability and about being overlooked for management positions.

Some agents also said Hispanics are more likely to be sent to dangerous or less desirable assignments.

There were also hundreds of documents, including an analysis by a University of New Mexico sociologist who testified that Hispanic agents were not being promoted according to their numbers. There are 437 Hispanic agents in the FBI, about 4 percent of the agencies 9,574 agents.

The study by Gary LaFree said that 15 percent of Hispanic agents with at least five years experience have management positions, compared with 21 percent of non-Hispanic agents with similar experience.



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rented plane for what purpor-tedly was a pleasure flight.

Naturally, hey wound up over he Bryan farm. After circling the plane into reading position, Wood instructed Michelle to look

"I have a question that I've been warting to ask you for a long time" he told her.

It tool Michelle only seconds to find her message.

"WILL YOU MARRY ME

- MICHELLE?'

"Allof a sudden, the letters just oppel out," she recalled.

It bok her only a moment longe to respond. "Yes!" she criec

Wih the help of his future father n-law, Sealy Bryan, and a farn worker, Wood designed, sureyed and directed the project lastweekend.

t took the three men eight hours to lay out and flag the lettes and another two to three hurs to plow, Wood told the Abilene Reporter-News.

"We started work on this Friay afternoon and spent the beter part of two days working on said Wood, an airline pilot who flies for Abilene's American Eagle Airlines

Bryan plowed the letters with a 20-foot chisel plow, Wood said. The proposal covers an area arger than 10 football fields on er father's farm, but is readable only from the air.

Wood's novel way of popping the question didn't affect Michelle's answer — she would have married him anyway, she said. But it was still worth all the bother to Wood.

"I just wanted some way to show her how special she was,' said Wood.

Only about one bride in a milion gets such an imaginative proposal, he said. "And she's one in a

Weapons case hangs jury, ends in mistrial

WASHINGTON (AP) — A judge on Thursday declared a mistrial in the weapons-possesion case of syndicated columnist Carl T. Rowan after the jury reported it was hopelessly deadlocked.

Earlier in the day, Judge Arthur L. Burnett of District of Columbia Superior Court had re-read his instructions to the jury after the 12-member panel said it was unable to reach a verdict.

Rowan has been charged with using an unregistered handgun and ammunition to wound a teen-aged intruder in the backyard of his home last June. He faced a maximum penalty of two years in prison and a \$2,000 fine if convicted

Burnett said he was convinced that further deliberations would not lead to a verdict. The jury had deliberated about nine hours over two days.

One juror, who declined to be identified, told reporters the panel had been in favor of acquittal by a 9-3 margin. A unanimous verdict was required

As Burnett announced his decision, Rowan, who was seated at the defense table, smiled at his attorneys and then at his wife Vivian. He has no comment as he left the courtroom

Claude Bailey, a spokesman for city Corporation Counsel Frederick Cooke, said city officials had not discussed what action to take if the trial ended in a hung jury

Rowan, 63, shot 18-year-old Benjamin Smith in the wrist after Smith and friends had taken an uninvited swim in his backyard pool.



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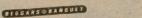
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