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## Free trade pact

### Texas poised to reap benefits of U.S.-Mexico agreement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas dominates the export market to Mexico, shipping \$11 billion worth of goods across the Rio Grande in 1989, a new Commerce Department study said.

The study said exports from Texas accounted for 44 percent of all U.S. goods sent to Mexico that year. Backers of a free trade agreement with Mexico say the study is evidence Texas stands to be one of the big winners of an anticipated increase in commerce along the border once tariffs and other trade barriers are lifted.

The state already has the cultural ties, location and foothold in the Mexican economy that would allow it to move quickly if the agreement is negotiated and approved, they say.

"Texas is certainly poised to be faster off the block," said Roger Wallace, deputy undersecretary for international trade at the Commerce Department.

"Texas has had a long history of trade and business with Mexico, and that sort of knowledge base is going to be helpful to the Texas business community as economic trade ties increase over the next decade," Wallace said in an interview Friday.

The study said Texas exported \$11 billion in manufactured, agricultural, military and mined goods in 1989, more than any other state. Texas exports grew by 70 percent, or \$4.5 billion, between 1987 and 1989.

"You're talking about thousands and thousands of jobs being created as you increase that

kind of trade," Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, said.

"It's not just one segment of the Texas economy but the whole Texas economy that will benefit, and ... every region," Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said. "We already have a good foothold as the largest exporter, our areas of dominance are broad-based, and we have the locational advantage."

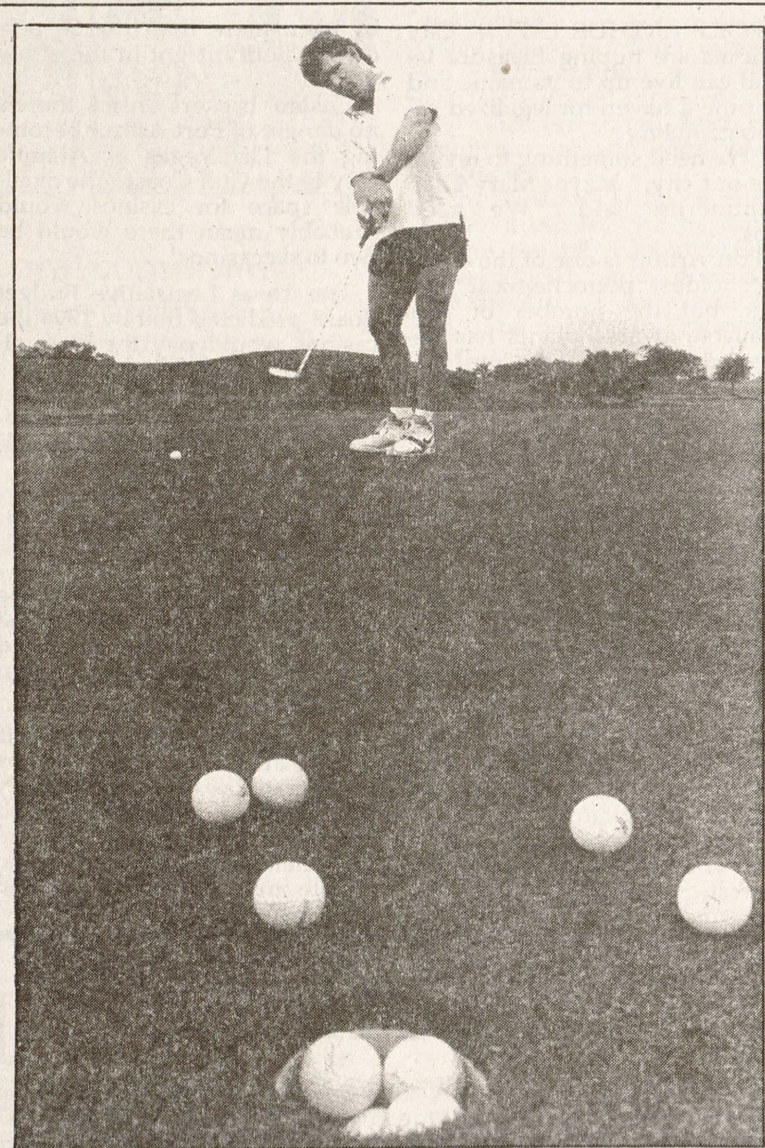
The study said Texas' leading exports were electric and electronic equipment, with sales totaling \$3.2 billion in 1989, followed by computers and industrial machinery, \$1.2 billion; transportation equipment, \$1.1 billion; chemicals, \$810 million; and food products, \$496 million.

Overall, manufactured goods accounted for \$10 billion of the state's exports in 1989, followed by the state's exports in agricultural products; \$26 million in mined goods, such as metals, coal, minerals and oil and gas.

Mexico is Texas' largest export market, buying 29 percent of the \$38 billion in goods the state ships to the rest of the world.

The study said U.S. exports to Mexico, the third-leading U.S. export market, totaled \$25 billion in 1989, a 71 percent increase from \$14.6 billion in 1987. After Texas the largest exporting states in 1989 were California with \$4 billion, Michigan with \$1.7 billion, New York with \$834 million, and Arizona with \$759 million.

Wallace said the economic growth being created by the in-



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### Putting around

Mark Gaither, a Texas A&M graduate student in computer science from College Station, practices his putting strokes on the A&M golf course early Sunday afternoon. Gaither was taking a study break from upcoming finals and went to the practice greens to relax.

crease in exports "is not going to be localized. There are real export advantages for all parts of the United States from a free trade agreement."

But the Bush administration must first persuade Congress to extend its "fast-track" authority to negotiate non-amendable trade agreements.

## Health officials fail to warn of pesticide use

HOUSTON (AP) — A pesticide banned worldwide for its alleged health risks has been used at four Houston apartment complexes as late as last year, but state and local health officials failed to warn residents of its potential dangers, a newspaper reported Sunday.

In a copyright story, the Houston Post reported chlordane, which is believed to cause cancer and has proved harmful to the nervous system, digestive system and the liver, was detected at four apartment complexes as late as 1990.

The Edgebrook, Camino South, Kings Park and Fondren Glen apartments were illegally sprayed with the pesticide and reportedly cleaned up under supervision by the Texas Department of Agriculture in 1987, the newspaper said.

"I'm very concerned about the people who continue to live there," said Robert Simon, a toxicology consultant from Washington, D.C., who took samples from the apartment complexes in

late 1989 and early 1990. Simon said his test results showed chlordane still is present in a variety of locations at the apartments.

"That chlordane will be there another 20 years," he said, unless it is properly cleaned up. The toxin also remains in the body for years, experts say.

Chlordane is a mixture of more than 50 chemicals previously used to control termites in homes. Most uses of the substance were prohibited by the Environmental Protection Agency in November 1987, and a full ban was enacted in April 1988.

More than 300 former residents of the Judwin Properties-managed apartments complain they are suffering a variety of ill effects, including memory loss, flu-like symptoms, irritability, rashes, fevers, headaches, dizziness, lack of coordination and sexual dysfunction since being exposed to chlordane in 1987.

## In Advance

### Rep. Barton to lead Mideast policy discussion

The Texas A&M Student Advisory Committee will meet at 2 p.m. today to discuss U.S. policies in the Middle East. U.S. Rep. Joe Barton will lead the program.

### Professor to speak on nautical archaeology

The College of Liberal Arts will present its seventh annual humanities lecture at 7:30 p.m. today in 301 Rudder Tower. The speech will feature Dr. George Bass, an Texas A&M anthropology professor. Bass will speak about nautical archaeology. The speech will be accompanied by slides. Refreshments will be served following the lecture.

# ALL STRESSED UP AND NOWHERE TO GO ?

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27

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