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ALL APPLICANTS: Please type your responses on a separate piece of paper, and attach a resumé and samples of your work (stories you have written for publications or classes, pages you have designed, photos taken, drawings made or other creative samples—just show us what you can do).

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- 3) What changes would you make to improve *The Battalion*? Pay particular attention to the position for which you're applying.

Staff Applicants

- 1) Why do you want to work at *The Battalion*, and what do you hope to accomplish?
- 2) What experience do you have that relates to the position for which you are applying? (include classes, seminars, etc.)
- 3) What changes do you feel would improve the quality of *The Battalion*? Give special attention to the section for which you're applying.

DEADLINE: 5 p.m. **Wednesday, April 23**, for editor positions and **Friday, April 25**, for staff positions. Turn in applications at 014 (basement) Reed McDonald Bldg. Interviews will begin immediately after application deadline.

Extra applications available in the newsroom or online at <http://www.thebatt.com>

American Airlines' \$1 billion loss increases pressure on Carty

By David Koenig
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT WORTH, Texas — American Airlines is prepared to file for bankruptcy Thursday if it is unable to salvage cost-cutting deals jeopardized by employee anger over executive perks, according to two elected officials who met with management and labor leaders Wednesday.

The labor unrest has also increased pressure on the company's board of directors to remove chairman and chief executive Donald J. Carty, analysts said. The board is scheduled to meet Thursday.

American reported a \$1.04 billion first quarter loss on Wednesday as executives negotiated all day and into the night with labor leaders and four Texas congressmen to hammer out a deal and ward off Chapter 11.

Workers and union leaders remain outraged after learning late last week that American had approved executive bonuses and pension payments that would be protected in bankruptcy; early last week the unions agreed to \$1.8 billion in annual cuts. Now, two out of three key unions want to vote again on the concessions. "If it is left unresolved, there's a pretty good chance the

board will approve a Chapter 11 filing," said U.S. Rep. Martin Frost, D-Dallas.

Added Rep. Pete Sessions, a Dallas Republican: "Every available consideration that could avert a bankruptcy filing by American Airlines was looked at."

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— Donald J. Carty
American Airlines CEO

Frost and Sessions said a possible bankruptcy filing would be on the board's agenda on Thursday.

Unions representing flight attendants and ground workers want to hold new votes on the concessions, while the pilots' union is threatening to withhold formal approval. The unions were planning 30-day elections.

As a result, the company was considering sweetening its original offers to the unions to avert

new elections or to have the filing completed much sooner according to a person involved in Wednesday's negotiations who spoke on condition of anonymity.

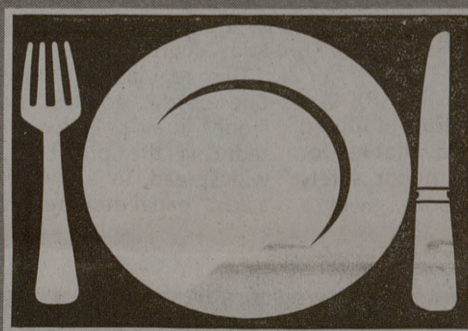
The quarterly loss was equal to \$6.68 per share, compared with a loss of \$1.58 per share, or \$10.09 per share, in year's first quarter. Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had expected a loss of \$6.00 per share, or \$948 million.

Carty blamed the first-quarter results on weak demand caused by the sluggish economy, war in Iraq and SARS outbreak. He also cited high fuel prices and low oil prices that contributed to results that he called "truly dreadful."

"All told, it's a perilous climate and our success is far from assured," he said in a statement.

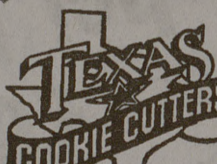
Revenue fell slightly to \$4.16 billion from \$4.16 billion a year earlier, and analysts warned the company's liquidity was slipping.

Standard & Poor's on Wednesday said it believed the company's unrestricted cash "fallen substantially" to \$1.9 billion. The company has a minimum of \$1 billion in restricted cash and shorter-term investments in order to meet terms of its loans.



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