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PAMPA — Gordon's Jewelers has announced it will be closing its Pampa Mall location in August and will begin a storewide clearance sale on Friday.

According to Steve Mahoney, Gordon's regional manager for the Texas Panhandle, the Pampa store will be offering significant savings on all merchandise in the store.

The Pampa store is expected to close by the end of August.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fatigue on the part of the truck driver may have been a factor in traffic accident in which 14 Los Angeles residents were killed in Texas, according to a published report.

The *Los Angeles Times* today quoted Mike Cox, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Safety as saying that fatigue may have been a factor as well as the overloaded condition of the van.

The van was apparently limping along, emergency lights flashing, in the right-hand lane of a Texas interstate when the tractor-trailer slammed into it from the rear, authorities said Wednesday.

Earlier speculation had been that the van either swerved onto the highway or that the truck blew a tire and the driver lost control of his rig.

But Cox said there was evidence to suggest that Claudia Funches of Los Angeles, the driver of the van, was moving slowly but legally when hit from behind by the truck about 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

AUSTIN (AP) — After 14 Internal Revenue Service audits in 20 years, Maurice Sochia has had enough. But the IRS and the courts that have heard his case say the 65-year-old former Southwest Texas State University history and government professor is taxing their time and patience.

For the past five years, Sochia has filled out his name and other biographical information on his 1040 income tax-form. But he has refused to complete the remaining questions, citing a Fifth Amendment constitutional right not to incriminate himself.

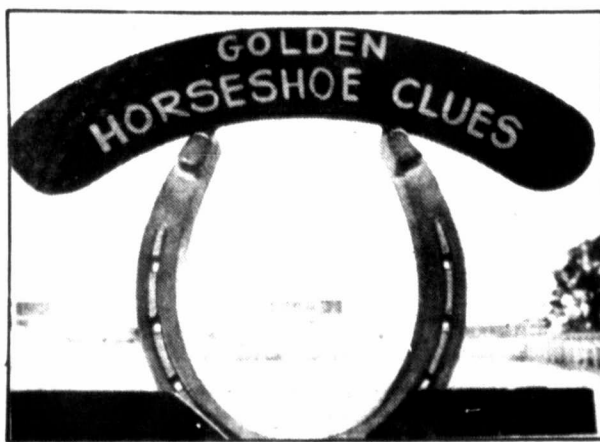
"I lacked the information necessary to fill it out, and because of that they have judged me a kind of criminal," Sochia told the *Austin American-Statesman*. "But over 90 percent of the people in the United States do not understand the income tax law."

Sochia, who has represented himself in a case that has gone to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans, says the federal government is illegally extorting money from citizens.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress should consider weaning domestic rice producers from a federal program that costs taxpayers some \$1 billion a year, congressional investigators say.

But the General Accounting Office conclusion, issued in a recent report, is drawing fire from rice industry officials who call the analysis flawed.

GAO contends rice producers have become ever more dependent on federal payouts in recent years. In the 1982-1984 period, government support accounted for 27 percent of producers' income. By 1992, that was up to 50 percent.



The Top O' Texas Rodeo Association is continuing its Golden Horseshoe Treasure Hunt, with the prize being a box seat for all three performances of the Top O' Texas Rodeo, July 14-16. Wednesday's clue was located in the National Bank of Commerce. Today's clue can be found at a plumbing contractor. Friday's clue can be found in a feed store. Persons seeking the horseshoe must enter the stores to find the clues to where the horseshoe has been hidden. No information will be given out over the telephone. The person finding the horseshoe must bring it to the Top O' Texas Rodeo office in the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard, to claim the prize.

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Clarification sought from state on vehicle tax

By RANDAL K. McGAVOCK
Staff Writer

Pampa real estate agents generally felt pleased this morning with a public hearing by the Gray County Appraisal District's Appraisal Review Board held to discuss protests to a tax Realtors see as discriminatory.

"I think it went very well," said Judy Edwards, a real estate broker and co-owner of a local Realty company. "I think we were very prepared — we had done a lot of research and all, but we were pleased."

The public hearing was called after a number of real estate agents were sent notices by the appraisal district informing them that vehicles used in connection with business would be taxed.

Many of the real estate agents contend that they were being singled out for the tax and said that if they paid it, everyone who uses their vehicle for any aspect of business should also be taxed. In time, they argued, lawyers, doctors, plumbers, insurance agents and delivery persons could be among people forced to pay the tax.

Pat Bagley, chief appraiser for the Gray County Appraisal District, said Wednesday that his office was not trying to single out real estate agents and added that many people already pay the tax, which has been on the book for years.

"They're concerned that not everyone is on the (tax) roll that should be, and Mr. Bagley agrees with that concern and has reiterated that he is doing all he knows to do to find those other folks," said Mike Mulcahy, the appraisal district's lawyer, at Wednesday's hearing.

This morning, Bagley declined to comment on the hearing.

A "gray area" in the tax code seems to be at the heart of the matter. Edwards said that is the reason no other appraisal district in the state levies the tax.

"From what I can tell and from the few people I've talked to, they don't use this tax because it is so gray and they're afraid of possible lawsuits," she said.

As for whether a lawsuit over the tax and against the appraisal district is planned, Edwards said time will tell.

"I think it's too early for say that," she said. "But I definitely think we're being discriminated against and we'll just have to wait and see how things go."

As for the review board, the four members in attendance voted unanimously Wednesday to table a decision on the protest for the time being and write the state comptroller's office, in hopes of clarifying the situation.

Anyone wishing to address questions or comments to the Texas' Comptroller's Office on the tax can submit them to the appraisal district's office located at 815 N. Sumner in Pampa before 5 p.m. on July 20.

To date, the tax on private vehicles used in business has never been challenged in court. As a result, a legal precedent doesn't exist, according to a lawyer representing two real estate agents at the hearing.

While Wednesday's hearing was held to decide under what guidelines a tax on private vehicles used in business could be levied and in what amount, many of the real estate agents seemed to believe the meeting was called to determine if the tax would be applied at all.

It's the appraisal district's position that it exists to find taxable property and not set the taxes, according to Bagley.

Many of the real estate agents feel that small businesses are being taxed enough already and that any more taxes could hurt their chances of survival.

"I am puke sick of taxes," said Gene Lewis, a local Realtor. "The same rent I get on a little house ten years ago, I get today ... and my taxes have tripled. I'd say that the problem ... is that if we had a little bit of efficiency in our government, then we wouldn't be paying so many taxes."

Abortion protests



Rusty Thomas of Operation Rescue in Houston preaches to pro-choice advocates while Little Rock, Ark., police officers stand guard at a women's clinic today. Operation Rescue and other anti-abortion organizations plan protests in Little Rock through Saturday. See related story, Page 3. (AP photo)

Judge allows Simpson evidence

By LINDA DEUTSCH
AP Special Correspondent

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A bloody glove and other key evidence found at O.J. Simpson's mansion can be used against him at his preliminary hearing on murder charges even though police didn't have a warrant, a judge ruled today.

The court finds that they (the investigators) were in fact working for a benevolent purpose in light of the brutal attack and that they reasonably believed that a further delay could have resulted in the unnecessary loss of life," Judge Kathleen Kennedy-Powell said. "And therefore, the court denies the defense motion to suppress."

In addition to the glove, which was found on the grounds of Simpson's estate and matched one found at the scene of the June 12 killings, the items in the defense motion were bloodstains on his driveway and a blood spot on the driver's door of Simpson's Ford Bronco parked on the street.

"This would be a very easy decision for me if in fact these officers went in there like storm troopers fanning out over the property, examining every leaf, every car, every closet, every nook and cranny at this location," Kennedy-Powell said.

"But the testimony as elicited by the officers and supported by the witnesses called by the defense show this was not what happened."

Today's ruling pertained only to the preliminary hearing of the two first-degree murder charges against Simpson, who has pleaded innocent to killing his ex-wife and one of her friends. The evidence can be challenged again if the case is bound over for trial in Superior Court. The preliminary hearing will decide if Simpson is tried.

University of Southern California law professor Erwin Chemerinsky said the ruling can't be appealed immediately by either side.

But, he said, if the case moves to Superior Court, the judge assigned to the trial can review Kennedy-Powell's rulings and accept them or find that she had erred. If accepted, the rulings can still be appealed later should Simpson be convicted of murder.

Detectives testified that they rushed from the crime scene to Simpson's mansion to tell him about the killings.

After noticing a spot of blood on Simpson's white Bronco parked outside the compound, detectives testified, they feared someone else might be in danger. When they received no answer over the intercom and telephone, they entered the estate without a search warrant.

Police can enter a home or property without a warrant if they are pursuing a suspect, think evidence will be destroyed or believe that someone is in jeopardy.

"What if someone had been injured and lay bleeding while the officers went to get a search warrant?" Deputy District Attorney Marcia Clark asked the judge before the ruling. "What would we have said? We would have said they were derelict in fulfilling their duties."

But Simpson lawyer Gerald Uelmen — who taught Kennedy-Powell at Loyola University's law school — warned against letting the government break the law, saying it would encourage citizens to do the same.

Clinton pledges aid to help Poland in its move to capitalism

By TERENCE HUNT
AP White House Correspondent

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Exhorting the nations of Central and Eastern Europe to "hold hard" to democracy, President Clinton today pledged more than \$200 million in aid to accelerate Poland's transformation from communism to capitalism.

"Free markets and democracy remain the only proven paths to prosperity and peace," Clinton told the Polish parliament. "Do not give up or turn back. You will not be alone."

Clinton also said he would ask Congress for \$100 million to support new ties that former Communist and neutral governments are establishing with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization through the Partnership for Peace program. Twenty-one countries have enlisted; Poland's share would be \$25 million.

"The Partnership for Peace and planning for NATO's future means that we will not let the Iron Curtain be replaced with a veil of indifference," he promised.

Clinton stopped short of offering Poland full membership in NATO at a date certain, but said, "bringing new members into NATO is no longer a question of whether but when and how."

Seeking to reassure Poles nervous about Russia's intentions, he said, "Poland should never again have its fate decided by others."

He warned the new democracies to guard against "voices of violence and military nationalism" emerging anew around the world.

"Would-be dictators and fiery demagogues live among us promoting religious division and anti-Semitism and aggressive nationalism," he said. "To be sure they are weak imitators of Hitler and Stalin yet we dare not underestimate the danger they pose."

Clinton pledged that the United States and NATO would be there to support the new democracies and ensure their security and a stable Europe, and urged them to "hold hard to those tracks" to democracy.

Clinton said Poland's pioneering role in the fall of communism gave it a special place among the former Soviet-dominated countries' transition to democracy.

"Your success is crucial to democracy's future in Central and Eastern Europe and, indeed, all across the globe," he said, adding that he was speaking from "the heart of Poland's democracy."

Clinton's speech drew polite applause from the Polish parliament, known as Sejm.

Earlier, he told Polish Prime Minister Waldemar Pawlak, "If we want Europe to be democratic and free, integrated and united, then we're going to have to prove that market economies can work for ordinary citizens."

"Poland has done a very good job in facing all of these dramatic changes that are going on," the president said, citing the country's high economic growth rate. He said the United States has a responsibility to assist people here whose lives have not been helped by democratic changes.

Before delivering an address to Parliament, Clinton visited Poland's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Warsaw Ghetto Memorial to the vastly shrunken Jewish community that made a last, futile stand against Nazi terror a half century ago.

He bowed his head in silent prayer at both memorials and adjusted the ribbon of wreaths at each monument, as is customary.

The war memorial is a four-column, single-story white colonnade, all that remains of a pre-war Warsaw landmark, the Saxon Palace. The president, accompanied by his wife, Hillary, signed his name in a book of remembrance. Some people in the crowd of about 1,000 people broke into a Polish folk song, saluting him with the sentiment, "May he live 100 years."

Free phones being tried for roadside help in Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — For motorists in trouble along stretches of some Texas highways, help is just a phone call away.

Solar-powered, roadside cellular telephones are available to motorists in four areas of Texas as the state experiments with a free emergency calling service.

Two agencies are testing 100 motorist aid call boxes in two metropolitan areas and two rural counties to see what effect they have on emergency response.

Calls from the phones in Fort Worth, Austin, Hale County and Cameron County are handled by 911 dispatchers.

In Austin, for example, drivers can punch one button in the call boxes to reach 911 for police, fire or medical help, or press a second button to reach a motorist aid service that can send a two truck or relay a help-needed message to family and friends.

"Not everyone is fortunate enough to have a mobile telephone. We're concerned about Texans and drivers passing through our state who need a way to call for help when they get into an emergency situation on the highway," said Mary Boyd, executive director of the Advisory Commission on State Emergency Communications.

The commission and the State Department of Transportation are testing the phones.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

RIEMER, Beatrice — 10 a.m., First Baptist Church, Stinnett.

Obituaries

REBA DELORES PRESTIDGE

SHAMROCK — Reba Delores Prestidge, 41, a former resident of Shamrock, died Tuesday, July 5, 1994. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Calvary Christian Fellowship Church at Shamrock with the Rev. Joe G. Jernigan, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mrs. Prestidge was born in Wellington and had lived in Shamrock most of her life before moving to Amarillo three years ago.

Survivors include a son, Douglas Rankins of Shamrock; her mother, Rose Brashears of Shamrock; and a sister, Janis Otte of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials to the Kidney Foundation.

BEATRICE RIEMER

STINNETT — Beatrice Riemer, 71, died Saturday, July 2, 1994 in Sacramento, Calif. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. David Dollett, pastor of the Borger Christian Center, the Rev. Elvis Peck, pastor of the Eternal Light Pentecostal Church, the Rev. Bob Greene, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Post, and Wyatt Carpenter, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Cemetery by Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mrs. Riemer was born in Goree and had been a Hutchinson County resident for 48 years. She married Hugo Riemer in 1942 at Alanreed. She was a homemaker and a member of the Borger Christian Center and Gideons Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Jimmy Riemer and Kenneth Riemer, both of Stinnett, and Billy Riemer of Sacramento; a brother, J.H. Wetzel of Lubbock; a sister, Nina Otley of Oklahoma City; six grandchildren, and a great-grandson.

The family requests memorials to the Memorial Bible Fund of Gideons, P.O. Box 5800, Borger, Texas, 79008.

GRACE ELLEN SPATES

CANADIAN — Grace Ellen Spates, 81, died Monday, July 4, 1994. Graveside services will be at a later date in Pine Grove Cemetery at Salem, N.H. Local arrangements are by Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Spates was born in Lawrence, Mass. She married John Arthur Spates in 1935 in New Hampshire. He died in 1985. She was a member of the Moose Lodge in Santa Monica, Calif. She was an accountant and an Episcopalian. She moved to Canadian in April.

Survivors include a son, John Arthur Spates Jr. of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; a daughter, Jan Ellen Rucker of Canadian; a sister, Ethel Owen Gillman of Colton, Calif.; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Calendar of events

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

A blood pressure check is offered from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday in the Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. Blood sugar tests are offered the first Friday of each month. A donation is accepted to cover expenses.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa:		
Wheat	2.97	
Milo	3.76	
Corn	4.38	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:		
Serico	4	NC
Occidental	19 1/8	dn 1/8
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		
Magellan	64.08	
Puritan	15.61	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:		
Amoco	58 5/8	up 1/4
Arco	104 5/8	up 1/2
Cabot	51 1/8	up 1/8
Cabot O&G	22 1/8	up 1/2
Chevron	42 1/2	up 1/8
Coca-Cola	41 3/8	dn 1/8
Diamond Sham	24 1/4	up 1/8
Halliburton	32 3/8	dn 1/8
HealthTrust Inc.	28 3/8	up 3/8
Ingersoll Rand	36 1/4	up 3/8
KNE	22 1/4	dn 1/8
Kerr McGee	48 5/8	up 3/4
Limited	17 3/4	dn 1/8
Mapco	59 1/2	up 1/8
Maxus	5 1/8	NC
McDonald's	29 1/2	NC
Mobil	83 5/8	up 5/8
New Atmos	18 7/8	NC
Parker & Parsley	25 1/4	dn 1/4
Penney's	49 3/8	dn 1 3/4
Phillips	32 3/8	dn 3/4
SLB	61 3/8	up 1/2
SPS	25 5/8	NC
Tenneco	46 1/4	NC
Texasco	62 1/2	NC
Wal-Mart	24 1/4	up 3/8
New York Gold	383.10	
Silver	5.21	
West Texas Crude	19.62	

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period.

WEDNESDAY, July 6

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 700 block of South Barnes.

Kathy Joyce Odom, 2614 Cherokee, reported a child left in a vehicle at Lovette Memorial Library. Andrea Michele Partain reported theft at Allsup's. J.D. Son of Santa Fe Railroad reported criminal trespass on railroad property.

Arrests

WEDNESDAY, July 6
Bennie L. Wells, 27, Amarillo, was arrested at Browning and Hill on a warrant.

THURSDAY, July 7

Paul Lee McFarland, 39, 1336 Coffee #1, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, July 6

Allsup's #184, Price and Texas 152, reported theft \$20-\$200.

Arrests

WEDNESDAY, July 6
Sara Denise Luster, 33, 305 Jean, was arrested on a charge of harassment. She was released on personal bond.

THURSDAY, July 7

Johnny Todd Preston, 22, Browning Street, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accident in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, July 6

9:25 p.m. — A 1983 Chevrolet pickup driven by Brandon Wade Mayfield, 17, 941 Sierra, was in collision with a 1980 Honda driven by Alicia Gayle Parry, 18, 404 S. Gray, in the 800 block of West Foster. Mayfield was cited for making a right turn from the wrong lane.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, July 6

3:34 a.m. — Three units and seven firefighters responded to a smoke scare at 1005 Gordan.

7:03 a.m. — Three units and three firefighters responded to a car accident at the intersection of Price Road and U.S. 60.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions Pampa	Nancy M. Ezzell (extended care)
Shaun Kevin Hon	Dismissals Pampa
Anna Peters	Leonard Earl Cash
Ruby Violet Callis (rehabilitation)	Delbert Glenn Foster
Leonard Earl Cash (extended care)	Douglas R. Hollingshead
Mobeetie	Panhandle
Andrea Deann	Jerusha Lena Burum
Martinez	Canadian
Lefors	Nancy M. Ezzell
Bernice Clara Sawyer	SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions Lincoln, Neb.
Panhandle	Beverly Rasmussen
Jerusha Lena Burum (extended care)	No dismissals were reported.
Canadian	

Correction

Bill Brian's name was misspelled in Wednesday's edition of *The Pampa News*. We regret any inconvenience the mistake might have caused. Brian is an Amarillo lawyer hired by two Pampa real estate agents to represent them at Wednesday's appraisal review board meeting.

More players pile on health bandwagon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Scoot over, Harry and Louise, you're about to get some company.

Celebrity activists, busloads of "reform riders," even Ross Perot are ready to get into the act as all sides in the great health care debate of 1994 prepare for a final, all-out offensive before Congress adjourns this fall.

"The other side will still be out there with their incredibly irresponsible ads, but they will not be unanswered," said Arnold Bennett of Families USA, a consumer group closely allied with the White House.

"We're not going to lay down for anybody," retorted Dan Di Fonzo, a spokesman for the Health Insurance Association of America, which sponsored the "Harry and Louise" ads criticizing President Clinton's plan. "We're raising questions that the American people want answered."

Harry and Louise are due to return to television in a new health care ad this week, but with a new sponsor and a health care crisis of their own. The Democratic National Committee is taking aim at the couple in its latest health care ad, a spoof of the series run by the insurance industry.

In the ad, to be unveiled today, Harry has lost his job — and his health insurance. Actors playing Harry and Louise are shown sick in bed, bemoaning the financial toll of their illnesses now that they are uninsured.

Clinton administration officials took to the road Wednesday to promote the president's health reform plan, especially his desire for universal coverage.

The battle for popular opinion is "going to make NAFTA look like a joke," predicted one White House official, recalling the hard-fought campaign over the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Look for the fight to reach its peak in late summer when reform bills produced during months of committee wrangling finally come before the full House and Senate. Whatever bills get through, there could still be major differences to be worked out by a conference committee after the August recess.

Nearly a year after Clinton first unveiled his plan, the president is eager to move ahead.

He complained recently that because his plan had been largely "the only kid on the block" for so long, it came under intense fire that raised doubts with the public. He

predicted people will support "the real thing" once they understand the alternatives.

A centerpiece of the summer campaign on Clinton's behalf will be a privately organized \$2 million bus tour dubbed the "Health Security Express," aimed at mobilizing the kind of grassroots enthusiasm generated by the Clinton campaign's successful bus trips.

Unions, consumer groups, seniors organizations, churches, businesses and others are chipping in \$20,000 per vehicle to sponsor busloads of people launched from around the country late this month.

Stopping for church suppers and picking up letters of support along the way, many will converge on Independence, Mo., for a July 30 rally at the home of Harry Truman, who proposed health insurance for all Americans nearly 50 years ago. Most likely, Clinton will be there to greet them.

More busloads of "reform riders" will gather in Washington in early August to press the case for guaranteed health coverage for all. Vice President Al Gore, Cabinet members, Hollywood activists, doctors and others are expected to join the bus tour at various points around the country.

Benign breast growths linked to cancer risk

BOSTON (AP) — Some benign breast growths that are common in young women appear to double the risk of breast cancer later in life, according to a study released today.

Another report published today found that having a child temporarily increases the risk of breast cancer, but lowers it later in life.

Dr. William Dupont and others from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., found that women with growths called fibroadenomas face about double the usual risk of breast cancer.

Fibroadenomas are typically diagnosed when women are in their 20s. Many experts have believed they are unrelated to later development of cancer.

The Vanderbilt study found the increased risk was highest in women

whose close relatives had been diagnosed with breast cancer. It was also more elevated in those who had a particular variety of growths called complex fibroadenomas.

"Since fibroadenomas are commonly diagnosed before the age of 30, these lesions provide a means of identifying young women who have an increased risk of breast cancer decades before the onset of invasive disease," the researchers wrote.

They suggested that women with both complex fibroadenomas and a family history of breast cancer should begin having regular mammograms at age 35 or 40.

The childbirth study complicates another commonly held belief about breast cancer. Women have traditionally been told that having a child

helps ward off breast cancer. But the new data suggest the link between pregnancy and cancer is not so simple.

The study compared the risk of breast cancer in women who have had one child or remained childless. For the first 15 years after they gave birth, the mothers' risk was higher than that of other women. Then it fell lower.

The older a woman is when she has a child, the higher her risk of breast cancer immediately after her delivery.

For instance, a 35-year-old woman who just had her first child faces a 41 percent higher risk of breast cancer than a childless woman the same age. But by age 59, the same woman's risk is 21 percent lower than the childless woman's.

Company wants to run some public schools

DALLAS (AP) — Texas schools seeking to improve academic results are turning to the Edison Project, a company owned by media magnate Chris Whittle.

In the last two weeks, North Texas school districts Sherman and Wylie have signed letters of intent with Edison in hopes of having the company operate an elementary school beginning next year.

Edison also is targeting Austin,

where negotiations are slow but the company still is trying to win enough public support to run two elementary schools.

Other Texas districts are expected to sign on before summer's end, Edison said.

"In Texas, with money as tight as it has been, and as tight as it appears it will be in the future, it's really appropriate for us to find ways to do more with the money we have," said

William Kirby, a former Texas education commissioner who is an Edison consultant.

One-third to one-half of the first Edison "partnership schools" will be in Texas, Kirby said.

The decision to turn over a school to Edison is a significant one in smaller districts such as Sherman, which has six elementary schools, and Wylie, which has three.

Houston ticket wins jackpot

(AP) — One ticket bought in Houston correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot is worth an estimated \$25 million.

The jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$3 million.

LOTTO

Wednesday's winning numbers are:
5, 11, 22, 37, 42, 48.

City briefs

CECIL KERBO or Mr. K., welcomes all past or new customers to Songs' Salon, Tuesday - Saturday, 1415 N. Banks, 665-4343. Adv.

FOR TIRED feet and hands, call A Perfect 10 Nail Salon, 107 W. Foster, 669-1414. Adv.

ESTATE SALE, 2201 Chestnut, Friday 8-5, Saturday 8-7. Adv.

CITY LIMITS presents Vincent Hopkins & Texas Brigade, Friday \$3 single, \$5 couple. Saturday \$4 single, \$7 couple. City Limits. Adv.

PAINTINGS AND some household items at the home of Viola Coffee, 501 Grimes, White Deer. 1 Day Only Sale, Saturday, July 9th. Adv.

LINE DANCE instructor wanted. Do not have to be a professional. Contact Danny at City Limits. Adv.

2 SPACES Fairview Cemetery, 5/2 NE/4 Lot 11 Block 19. 318 N. Gillespie. Adv.

FENCE REPAIR, Joe Johnson, 665-3368, 669-9232. Adv.

BACKYARD SALE, lot of everything. Open 9 a.m. Friday, Saturday. No early birds. 1141 Juniper. Adv.

LINGERIE SHOW - Tonight, Easy's Bar & Grill, \$1 cover. Adv.

WE CAN match paint to fabric, carpet, drapes, wallpaper and paint samples with our Custom Color Matching Computer. Bartlett Ace Hardware. Adv.

LAKEVIEW APARTMENTS: 1, 2 and 3 bedroom, unfurnished. References required. 669-7682. Adv.

PAMPA HIGH School Swim Team Free Car Wash, Saturday, July 9, Wal-Mart. Adv.

SEWING CLASS for kids ages 10 and up. Learn to make boxer-shorts and applique' t-shirts. Sign up at Sand's, 669-7909. Adv.

VINE RIPE tomatoes, fresh cantaloupe, seedless watermelons. Fresh vegetables here every day! Epperson Garden Market. Adv.

GREENHOUSE CLEARANCE Sale 50-75%. Also trees and shrubs 50% off. Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

ARE YOU tired of high water bills? If so much your plants with wheat straw, back to earth compost, cypress mulch or pine bark mulch all available at Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

Seal coating project gets underway

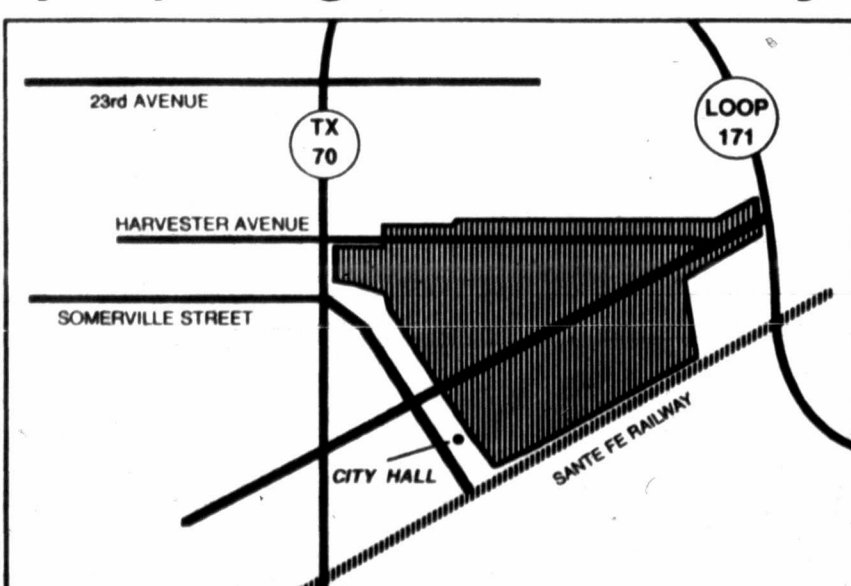
Work begins Friday on Pampa's annual seal coating program.

The streets to be double sealed will receive their first coating on July 8. They include: areas of Starkweather Street, Harvester Street, Browning Street and Magnolia Street.

On July 11-12, the area south of Harvester Street, north of Browning Street, east of Highland Park, west of and including Terrace Street and Wynne Street will be seal coated.

On July 12-13, the area south of Browning Street, north of Atchison Avenue, east of Ballard Street and west of and including Lefors Street will be seal coated.

On July 13-14, the area south of Harvester Street, north of Browning Street, east of Hazel Street and Warren Street and west of and including Lowery Street will be seal coated.



On July 14-15 — The area south of Harvester Street, north of Atchison Avenue and west of Powell Street and Lefors Street to Loop 171. During the first two or three days in the week of July 18-22, additional hand work will be completed in the seal coating areas.

Budget leaders plan to buy more textbooks

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas leaders plan to shift millions of dollars from other areas of the state budget to provide books for a new seventh grade science course and to provide some other updated textbooks.

The state fell about \$100 million short of the money needed to buy updated textbooks in several planned subjects during this two-year budget period. Leaders intend to make up nearly \$29 million of that.

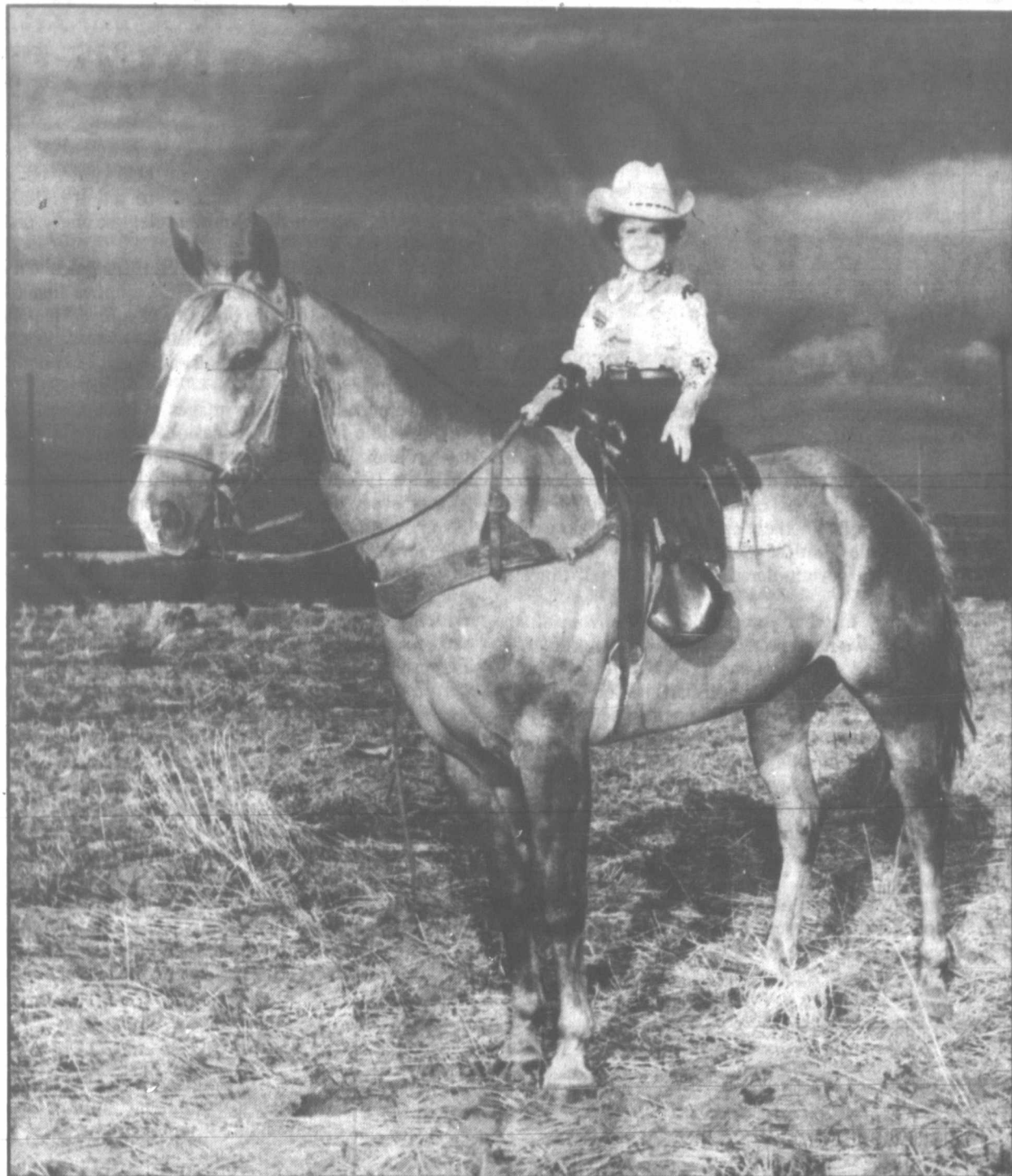
The shortfall came because books purchased for the 1993-94 school year — including a big investment in new reading textbooks — ate up almost the entire two-year, \$270 million appropriation from the Legislature.

The budget board said \$28.8 million is needed to buy new textbooks in several other subjects designated as a priority by the State Board of Education. Those purchases would

otherwise be delayed after the coming school year, including high school math and some seventh-grade science books.

The Legislative Budget Board — which includes Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, House Speaker Pete Laney, and other key lawmakers — was scheduled to meet Thursday to consider an \$11.8 million transfer from the state Treasury's unclaimed money fund.

Guess who?



This is a photo of a young Pampa area cowgirl taken in 1949. Whoever can identify the girl may win two tickets to the Friday, July 15, performance of the Top O' Texas Rodeo by being the first one to call Jane Jacobs, rodeo office manager, at 669-3241, with the correct name. Other similar photos will be printed in *The Pampa News* over the next several days with the chance to win rodeo tickets.

Stormy weather a concern for Friday's shuttle launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The weather was NASA's sole concern for Friday's planned launch of space shuttle Columbia.

Columbia is due to lift off on the laboratory research mission at 12:43 p.m.

The shuttle will carry seven astronauts and thousands of aquatic animals, including fish, newts, toad eggs and baby sea urchins.

Shuttle weather officer Ed Priske-

lac said rain and thunderstorms were likely early Friday afternoon. He put the odds of a Friday launch at 60 percent.

More than 200 scientists from around the world are participating in the 14-day mission. The

crew includes Dr. Chiaki Mukai, a Tokyo heart surgeon who will become the first Japanese woman in space.

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U.S. to ease access to safe havens for refugees

By RITA BEAMISH
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Although the Clinton administration's latest Haiti policy blocks Haitian boat people from entering the United States, it will be relatively easy for them to gain entry to safe havens in Panama and other countries, the U.S. immigration chief said today.

Haitians intercepted at sea will still be screened before being sent to safe haven camps, but they will not have to undergo the "rigorous screening" required for U.S. asylum, said Immigration and Naturalization Service Commissioner Doris Meissner. The asylum test requires refugees to prove a well-founded fear of persecution if returned home and the processing can take up to two hours per person, she told reporters.

Screening for Haitians seeking

safe haven was starting today at the U.S. military base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and on the USS Comfort, which had been processing asylum applicants in Jamaica, she said.

The first group of 500 could be moved as soon as Friday to Panama, where U.S. military facilities will house them until the permanent safe haven camp is ready.

The Pentagon, meanwhile, is proceeding with contingency plans for an invasion of Haiti should economic sanctions fail to drive its military rulers from power. Two thousand Marines were sailing for Haiti today to stand by for the possible evacuation of some 3,000 to 4,000 Americans living there.

Two weeks ago, Army Rangers and Navy Seals staged exercises at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida and on the Gulf of Mexico simulating the seizure of an airfield such as the one

in Haiti's capital, Port-au-Prince, and the capture of a port, *The New York Times* reported today. It said the exercises involved about 2,000 troops.

President Clinton, asked today in Warsaw, Poland, why the United States was conducting military exercises if it wasn't planning to invade Haiti, declined to comment, saying, "I have nothing to add to what was stated yesterday by the Pentagon spokesman and I don't really think we should be discussing Haiti in Poland."

The U.S. Coast Guard intercepted at least 1,537 Haitians in 34 boats on Wednesday, bringing the total to about 14,000 since President Clinton liberalized U.S. policy on Haitian refugees on June 16. The refugee population has swelled to 7,500 at the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Abortion protesters gather in Little Rock, Arkansas

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — About 100 anti-abortion activists protested today in front of an abortion clinic in Clinton territory, while some 80 abortion rights supporters lined up behind a row of police on clinic property.

Police had stationed metal barricades and about 20 police officers between the two groups during the peaceful protest. The clinic is located on one of the city's busiest streets and one lane was closed to traffic.

Some activists held signs that said, "Stop Abortions" and "Stop Clinton." Others held big color pictures of what they said were aborted fetuses. Another played taps.

Motorists heading downtown to

work responded to signs that said "Honk for Life." One driver gave the thumbs up sign.

Behind the barricades, many carried blue pro-choice signs.

The abortion rights supporters were already in place when the anti-abortion activists left an early-morning meeting and walked a couple of hundred yards across a city golf course. About 10 children, including one in a stroller, were in the group.

Father Aram Berard of Amarillo, a Catholic priest with Operation Rescue, preached to several of the abortion rights supporters. For a couple of minutes, he singled out Anne Drake of Lake Charles, La., who was stationed behind a barricade.

She did not flinch. "I've heard it before, much worse," she said.

She said that while Berard was preaching, "I was trying to remember the ingredients for a macaroni salad recipe."

Ronda Mackey of Dallas described herself as a sidewalk counselor for the anti-abortion group. She said members of her group approached three women they thought were going into the clinic to have abortions but that all three entered the facility. One woman took the group's printed material, she said.

The combined forces of three anti-abortion groups marshalled in Little Rock for what they said will be three days of anti-abortion protests.

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Opinion

Government wants tithes for IRS use

The U.S. Justice Department has entered what might otherwise have been a relatively obscure bankruptcy case on the wrong side. If the position of the bankruptcy trustees and the Justice Department prevails, a real threat to the financial independence and integrity of every church in America will have been created.

In brief, here's the story. In February 1992, Bruce and Nancy Young of Minnesota filed for bankruptcy. During the course of the proceedings, bankruptcy trustee Julia Christians, acting on behalf of unsecured creditors, went after the Crystal Evangelical Free Church of Crystal, Minn. The Youngs had been long-time, tithing members of the church, putting about 10-percent of their income into the offering plate. Julia Christians wanted the church to pay back to their creditors everything they had given to the church during the 12 months prior to filing for bankruptcy — some \$13,450.

At the local bankruptcy court, the Youngs' lawyer didn't raise any First Amendment issues and they lost on this point. When the decision was appealed to the U.S. District Court in Minnesota, the church joined the case, but the decision went for the bankruptcy trustees. The case is now scheduled to be argued before the 8th Circuit of the U.S. Court of Appeal in St. Louis in September. And the U.S. Justice Department has not only filed a brief on behalf of those who want to get the money from the church, it has asked to participate in oral arguments.

You can see the interests of the creditors. If the couple knew they were in financial trouble and gave away money in a frivolous and irresponsible manner during that time, their creditors would want to make some kind of effort to recover the money so at least some of what they were owed could be paid. But if the Youngs had wasted their substance on a trip to Rio or liquor, drugs, prostitutes and gambling during this period, the creditors wouldn't have tried to recover any of it — because they would be unlikely to get it, of course, but also for the interesting reason that the Youngs would have been deemed to have gotten something of value from such a foolish spending spree.

The position of the Justice Department as an intervener is that by giving away money to a church, the Youngs received nothing of value, so it's legitimate for creditors to go after the church. But the Youngs didn't just toss money at the church at the last minute. They were long-term members and long-term tithers. The money was given and received in good faith.

Interestingly, Congress last fall passed something called the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, supposedly guaranteeing that the government could not "substantially burden" a person's or church's free exercise of religion without a "compelling" reason. But the Justice Department argues that putting a bankruptcy court's hand into the offering plate retroactively doesn't impose a "substantial burden." Incredible.

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A bad symbol for a good cause

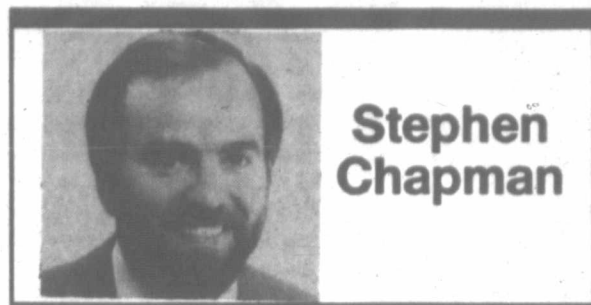
Every cause can use a symbol, and advocates for battered women could hardly do better than the one they got last month. Nicole Simpson is proof that any female can fall victim to domestic violence — even one who is white, wealthy and married to the nicest guy you could ever meet.

Here's a grim case, dramatizing a serious social problem. But in the wake of her murder and the arrest of O.J. Simpson, the uproar about spouse abuse quickly expanded beyond all reason, thanks to demagogues who take every misdeed or misfortune as symptomatic of something rotten at the core of the male psyche or American society.

Nicole Simpson repeatedly called the cops on her husband, who was arrested only once and got off with \$700 in fines, community service and counseling — only to allegedly kill her in the end. This treatment was interpreted as evidence that men tacitly condone abuse of women and that we need to get tough.

But in a nation with 5 million assaults of various kinds every year, it's foolish to think the criminal justice system can, or should, put every offender behind bars. Prosecutors, judges and prison officials have their hands too full with crimes that are even worse — such as murder, rape and armed robbery. In O.J. Simpson's case, however, prosecutors did ask the judge for a 30-day jail sentence, undermining the theory that authorities didn't take his behavior seriously.

Mariah Burton Nelson, author of *The Stronger Women Get, the More Men Love Football*, attributes O.J. Simpson's behavior to "a culture that allows more than 2 million women each year to be beaten by husbands or boyfriends." Allows? I don't remember giving anyone my permission. If there is a plague of domestic violence against women, it's just part of a general plague of violence. Americans don't endure rampant crime because they choose to "allow" it but



Stephen Chapman

because they haven't found an acceptable way to stop it.

The charge that some kind of sexual discrimination is at work overlooks the fact that there are a lot more attacks on men in this country than on women. Males are victimized by violent crime 50 percent more often than females, suffer twice as many aggravated assaults and get murdered three and a half times as often.

Contrary to what you might assume from all the jeremiads, we have no reason to think the problem is growing and some grounds to believe it is diminishing. One 1989 study published in the *American Journal of Public Health* found that between 1976 and 1986, the risk of being killed by a spouse fell by 45 percent for black husbands and wives alike, while holding stable among whites.

Murray Straus, co-director of the Family Research Laboratory at the University of New Hampshire, has done extensive surveys on the subject and says that between 1975 and 1992, the number of individuals reporting serious attacks by husbands on wives dropped by 23 percent, while reports of minor violence fell by 7 percent.

He says these figures may be somewhat misleading because men have grown less willing to admit strik-

ing their wives, but he believes that much of the decline reflects changes in actual behavior. And if today's wife-beaters are ashamed to tell the truth, doesn't that suggest they know society strongly disapproves?

Alana Bowman, head of the Los Angeles City Attorney's Domestic Violence Unit, implies that all men are to blame for the brutality of a few. "If men start holding other men accountable for this and not being part of a conspiracy of silence, it can be ended," she declared.

Her remark conjures up images of men cheerfully indulging the friend who occasionally slaps the misus around. This is sheer nonsense. Even in the medieval 1950s, when I was a child, one of the first lessons every boy learned was never to hit a girl. I have never in my life heard any man admit striking a woman, probably because abusers know that nearly all men regard wife-beaters with hostility and contempt.

Plenty of people say the Simpson case shows the need for stern punishment of men who attack wives and girlfriends. Unfortunately, it is not at all clear that stern punishment works. Some experiments with "mandatory arrest" policies yielded an unpleasant surprise: evidence that jail time may actually stimulate abusers to commit worse violence.

Like most crimes, spouse abuse can't be cured by stiffening punishments or changing police procedures. It reflects social and individual ills largely beyond the reach of law enforcement.

Lots of terrible things happen in this country (and others) every day. The prevalence of domestic violence doesn't prove American society's indifference to the lot of women any more than the persistence of hurricanes proves our indifference to the fate of coast-dwellers.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, July 7, the 188th day of 1994. There are 177 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 7, 1865, four people were hanged in Washington, D.C., after being convicted of conspiring with John Wilkes Booth to assassinate President Lincoln.

On this date:

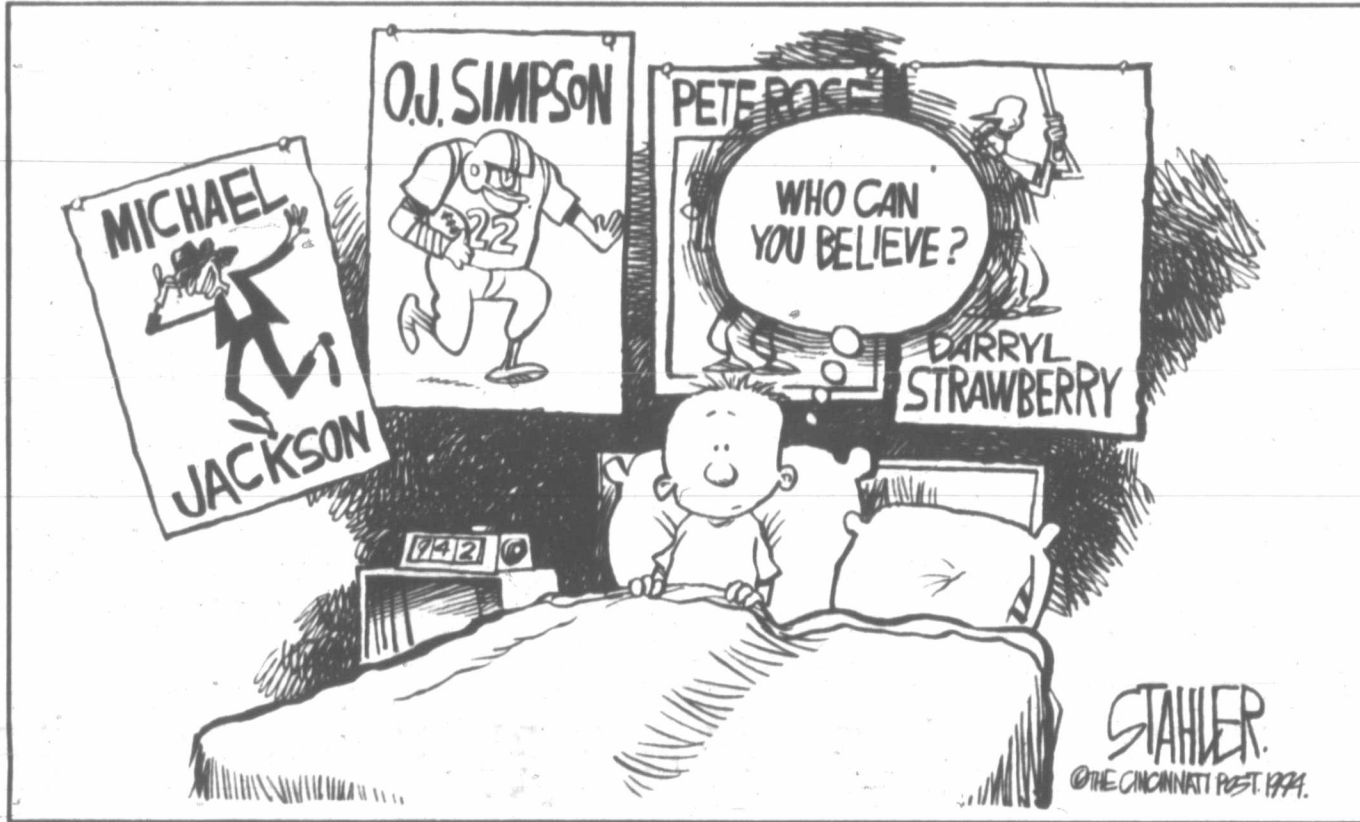
In 1754, King's College in New York City opened. The school was renamed Columbia College thirty years later.

In 1846, United States annexation of California was proclaimed at Monterey after the surrender of a Mexican garrison.

In 1898, the United States annexed Hawaii.

In 1930, construction began on Boulder Dam, later Hoover Dam.

In 1946, Italian-born Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini was canonized as the first American saint.



Who said deer hunting is easy?

Charley Reese

One of my favorite hot weather pastimes is to think about hunting. Hunting is a cool weather sport in the higher latitudes, so when the temperature and humidity are 95 and 98, respectively, I think about hunting and I feel cooler.

Non-hunters have ridiculous ideas about hunting. They imagine hunters drive into the woods, stagger out of trucks with a beer in one hand and machine gun in the other and began to slaughter deer. Little do these city folk know that white-tailed deer, as a group, are the biggest customers of the Day Runner Corp. in the country.

Honest, all white-tailed deer keep calendars with meticulous notes about the dates of the hunting season, bag limits, any new rules and past histories of hunters who frequent their area.

If you're not a hunter, you probably don't believe that, but it's true. Some of the deer may have even graduated to portable computers by now, with electronic calendars and relational databases. They consult with each other and compare notes:

"30-30 Marlin guy with no scope. Going gray. Little thicker around the middle than in '93. Has trouble getting up early for morning hunt. Cheap tent. Snores like a chain saw. Usually lasts no more than one hour on the stand before he lights up a smoke. Gets distracted watching birds, armadillos and clouds. No sweat on this one."

I can't show you a copy of a deer's Day Runner,

and it's illogical for you to expect that. Use your head like Sherlock Holmes. If I can't find the deer, then I can't find their calendars, right?

You, however, can test this assertion, not to mention collect a lot of testimonials from other deer hunters. Just visit a public hunting area the day before the hunting season. You will think you are in a petting zoo. Animals everywhere. Come back the next morning at the purple peep of dawn before a single shot has been fired. Where are the deer? Gone. Vanished. Vamoosed. Vaya con Dios.

There is not a deer in America, unless it's old and senile, that cannot tell you to the hour and minute the start and finish of hunting season. Apparently they employ birds to spy on game commission meetings and sessions of the legislatures. Bet you didn't know that birds are an intelligence agency for the other animals. They are. No kidding.

A squirrel told me about the Day Runners. I was sitting in a stand one morning and I heard this "Pst. Hey, you." I turned around and this gray squirrel person was looking at me from the side of a pine tree.

"Time waste. Bucks gone," the little fellow said. Squirrels, by the way, talk fast and leave out a lot of

words. "Saw them check Day Runners yesterday. Said goodbye. Back nice weeks."

I thanked the squirrel person and shifted into a more comfortable position and lit up. I hate skinning and butchering deer anyway. It's another thing you city folks don't understand. The fun is all in the process and the ritual, not in the shooting. I hunt with the same bullets every season.

And speaking of what city folks don't know, most of them think that deer ticks, which transmit Lyme disease, are just an accident of nature, but they are not. They are trained attack ticks, and when white-tailed deer get annoyed by you, they will sic these ticks on you.

Oh, you may not see the deer, but if it's annoyed by you it will silently stalk you all day, and when you go to sleep at night, the deer will order these ticks to crawl in your tent and bite you. Then you will come down with Lyme disease and your doctors will buy another condo in the Caribbean.

Deer in the deep woods are annoyed by — among others — backpackers who wear foreign-made boots and bird watchers who use Japanese or Chinese binoculars. White-tailed and mule deer are pretty patriotic. Suburban deer hate people who slosh pesticides and herbicides on their lawns and gardens. In fact, it was because of them that deer started training these attack ticks. Take it from a real woodsman. Outdoors ain't Walt Disney World.

Turning the tide on teenage pregnancy

The Clinton administration had barely finished outlining its strategy to halt the rise of teenage pregnancies when the naysayers began.

Other pilot programs aiming to curb teenage pregnancies haven't worked, they argued. Those programs that did show promising results were too small a sampling to be representative of the entire nation, they said.

Well, pardon me for a little optimism, but out national policy on teenage pregnancy for the last 20 years has been little more than a fight between the "Just say no!" zealots and the "It's inevitable, here's a condom" crowd.

Along comes a president with a plan to team up federal funds, a plea for abstinence and the use of peer mentors who counsel teens to postpone having children until they can care for them, and it's ludicrous to call it just another failed fancy of the Clinton agenda.

Consider what this plan is trying to do: First, it would pump \$400 million in grants to more than 1,000 schools and high-risk neighborhoods over five years. Suggested programs are a pragmatic blend of recreational sports and activities, an older-student mentor program and family-planning information.

Second, the plan would require minor mothers to live at home, seek education or training and to work after receiving aid for two years. Third, Clinton has committed to using the bully pulpit of the presidency, as well as Cabinet posts, to promote abstinence and waiting for marriage to bear children. He proposes



Sarah Overstreet

establishing a non-profit foundation to work toward discouraging teenage pregnancy.

Fourth, the administration wants to require mothers to name the fathers of their children, and promises to beef up efforts to collect child support payments. If he'd just included a plan to increase economic opportunities for kids in areas where teenage pregnancies are rampant, he'd have given it a better chance for success.

Will his goals work? Consider what we have been doing: Can there be a sillier game plan than deciding that teenage sex is just inevitable so we won't even try to encourage waiting? Well, that's just what we have done for the last 20 years, being so afraid of injecting a "personal bias" into sex education that we've hamstringed sex-education teachers into being no more than biology teachers with charts and pointers.

Could there be a better idea than having popular kids who are committed to postponing childbearing themselves mentor younger students? Nothing mat-

ters to teenagers as much as being accepted by their peers, and peer drug-abstinence programs have worked well among certain age groups in some schools and cities.

Call me naive, but I still believe that adults significant to teens, who advocate "waiting until you're more emotionally mature," can wield a powerful influence.

Believing we've lost that influence, many of us have abdicated that power completely with our children.

William Galston, one of several administration aides who studied academic literature on teen pregnancy, says he and other officials were especially impressed with Atlanta's "Postponing Sexual Involvement Program." It pairs Atlanta's human sexuality curriculum with talks by high-school students urging the younger kids to postpone sexual activity.

Included in the PSP curriculum is role-playing of "how to say 'no' without hurting the other person's feelings." Program Director Marion Howard told *The New York Times*. While to an adult "hurting another person's feelings" might seem like a silly thing to worry about during an unwanted sexual proposition, there is nothing more important to a teenager than remaining popular with one's peers, even if a peer is a popular young boy whose hormones are cremating him from the outside in.

The Clinton plan to curb teen pregnancy may be the closest this administration has come to fulfilling the idealism that busied him into office.

At least 13 dead in Georgia flooding

By DAVID HEINZMANN
Associated Press Writer

MACON, Ga. (AP) — Muddy floodwaters swamped roads and knocked out water treatment plants serving 350,000 people Wednesday as the death toll from three days of heavy rain in Georgia rose to at least 13.

Seven drowning victims — all adults — were brought into the Sumter County Regional Hospital in Americus on Wednesday, said emergency room nurse Marshall Welch. The victims were trapped in cars or homes by floodwaters or mud slides, authorities said.

"It's a sheer disaster," said Americus Fire Chief Steve Moreno. He predicted five to 10 more victims would be found as floodwaters receded in his city.

"We have hunches. We have a gut feeling it's not over with," he said when pressed about other victims. He would not discuss whether he had specific missing persons reports.

Six deaths occurred Tuesday. The rain has come from remnants of Tropical Storm Alberto, which formed off Cuba last week and moved ashore at the Florida Panhandle early Sunday.

Americus in southwestern Georgia got 21 inches of rain in the 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. Wednesday.

An Americus woman clutching a baby screamed for help for about 10 minutes before slipping into rumbling Town Creek about 1 a.m. Wednesday. The bridge had just washed out, and she stood atop her car as it slowly slid down the bank.

People on the other side could not cross the raging water.

"It was like the Atlantic Ocean. The waves were so high, you could surf on them," Catherine Andrew, a nearby resident, told the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*.

The woman, her child and a man in another car were swept away. Their bodies were not found and they were not included in the count of confirmed dead.

Interstates 75 and 16 in central Georgia were closed because of dams breaking or rivers overflowing. At Macon, water on I-75 was 4 feet deep.

Almost all roads into and out of Macon were closed Wednesday.

Authorities scrambled to truck drinking water into Macon after the Ocmulgee River swamped a purification plant serving 150,000 people. By nightfall, water was over the levee and lapping into the downtown area.

Flooding also shut down both treatment plants in Clayton County to the north, where 200,000 customers were asked to conserve water so the emergency supply would last

until repairs could be made. Houston Lake Dam in central Georgia broke early Wednesday. About 100 people living below the dam were moved out on buses.

In Sumter County, where former President Carter's hometown of Plains is situated, washed-out roads forced state police to halt all traffic. In the county seat, Americus, power outages knocked four radio stations off the air.

"We're sort of like an island," said Dean Whitaker, a state trooper at the Americus barracks.

Police used boats to rescue residents in Montezuma north of Americus, where the Flint River was still rising.

Gov. Zell Miller declared a state of emergency in 30 counties, qualifying them for state aid for rescue efforts and cleanup.

Alberto also forced more evacuations in southeast Alabama and the Florida Panhandle.

Rising waters in Alabama threatened a dam on Lake Tholocco, prompting the evacuation of the towns of Daleville and Geneva downstream. The Army closed its sprawling aviation center at Fort Rucker because of flooded roads, but dispatched a helicopter for two patients who needed to get to a Dothan hospital.

12 firefighters killed battling Colorado wildfire

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — A swift wildfire whipped by high winds roared over a steep mountainside, trapping 50 firefighters. Twelve were killed and two were missing today in one of the country's deadliest such disasters.

The firefighters were trapped Wednesday about 7,000 feet up the rugged slope of Storm King Mountain, where the rough terrain left them no place to flee, said Garfield County Undersheriff Levy Burris.

The survivors escaped to burned-over ground where the fire could not take hold, then straggled out when the danger passed, Gov. Roy Romer said at a news conference Wednesday night.

This morning, he said the initial count of 11 dead had risen to 12, and two firefighters were still missing. "The search will begin just as soon as daylight arrives," Romer said.

"It just reminds us all of the great tragedy that can occur when you're dealing with fire," he said.

He said the families of the firefighters had not been notified because the victims had not been positively identified.

Romer called for an investigation to determine why so many lives were lost. Weather forecasters had predicted high winds, but firefighters were left in the field.

Fire officials said some of the victims apparently had tried to climb into their fire shelters, shiny blankets used as shields during flareups.

The lightning-sparked fire began Sunday, five miles west of Glenwood Springs. The mountain resort of 6,000 people is between Aspen and Vail about 180 miles west of Denver.

The fire had been confined to 50 acres until high winds fanned it out of control Wednesday afternoon. Within five hours, it grew to 2,000 acres.

At dusk, the entire mountain seemed to smolder. As the fading sunlight mingled with smoke and flame, the sky took on an eerie orange pall and the popping sound of burning trees was audible.

This morning, firefighters were following instructions to monitor the blaze, not fight it, unless it threatened houses.

Court: Drug tax case violates constitution

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A Texas appeals court says marijuana seized during an unconstitutional search can't be used as evidence by the state to impose its tax on illegal drugs.

A three-judge panel of Austin's 3rd Court of Appeals on Wednesday found that a provision of the drug tax law is unconstitutional as applied in a Dallas case. The law provided that drugs can still be taxed even if evidence of them is prohibited in a related criminal case.

The law imposes a tax on illegal drugs, separate from any criminal proceedings.

According to the court opinion, Dallas police officers made no effort

to obtain a search warrant before going through Jesus Alberto Vara's truck and premises. The search yielded large quantities of marijuana and cash, according to the opinion.

Criminal proceedings were initiated against Vara for marijuana possession. But a judge granted his motion to suppress all evidence seized during the search, which was found to be unconstitutional. That caused the criminal case to be dismissed, said Vara's lawyer, Doug Parks.

But the state comptroller's office assessed \$20,329.54 against Vara under the drug tax law.

Vara paid under protest, saying no evidence existed to support the assessment against him other than the illegally seized marijuana.

He filed a lawsuit for refund of the

tax. A state judge, without a trial, ruled for the comptroller.

The 3rd Court said the evidence should have been excluded and sent the tax case back to the lower court.

Parks said he expects Vara to prevail there. "What they (state officials) are trying to do is tax marijuana. If they have no evidence he had marijuana, there's nothing to tax," Parks said.

Ward Tisdale, spokesman for the state attorney general, said the 3rd Court's decision was specific to the Dallas case. "This ruling has no effect or impact on the constitutionality of the drug tax," he said.

Parks also said, as did comptroller's spokesman Kelly Feroche, that the ruling can be expected to apply only in "very rare" cases.

More teens sent to adult courts

HOUSTON (AP) Harris County officials say the public is fed up with juvenile offenders, so teenagers here are increasingly finding themselves certified as adults for trial.

The number of requests to certify youths as adults in Harris County has jumped from 10 cases in all of 1988 to 102 in the first six months of 1994, according to statistics from the district attorney's office.

Chief juvenile prosecutor Elizabeth Godwin said the county now has three assistant district attorneys who work exclusively on obtaining so-called "certifications" for violent teenagers, ages 15 and 16.

"They're apt to do things irrationally that adults wouldn't do," said Robert Baum, a state district judge who sits in one of the three juvenile courts. "The public has had it with juvenile offenders."

In 1988, certifications were sought

primarily for teenagers who committed very serious crimes — usually murder — and had criminal records that included a trip to a Texas Youth Commission facility.

Now, a teen's prior history is a secondary consideration, and the offense, may be dealing drugs or committing a robbery where no weapon was fired. The statistics reflect the criminal justice system's response to dramatic changes in the behavior of juvenile criminals.

But while prosecutors are increasing their attempts to obtain harsher punishments for violent juveniles, efforts are under way in the Legislature that could bring on major changes in the juvenile process.

The Texas Commission on Children and Youth and the Joint Interim Commission on Revision of the Texas Family Code have been conducting hearings this year.

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Arafat, Rabin shake hands, share peace prize at talks

By DAVID CRARY
Associated Press Writer

PARIS (AP) — PLO leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin exchanged handshakes and shared a peace prize Wednesday amid tough negotiations on disputes still clouding Palestinian autonomy.

Arafat, on his first diplomatic foray since his homecoming to the West Bank and Gaza; demanded release of more Palestinian prisoners, urged that Jerusalem be declared an open city and pledged to hold legislative elections as soon as possible.

He asked wealthy nations to "assume their moral, political and material responsibilities" with swifter financial aid. Without this, he said, "the peace process, however noble and important it may be, will be liable to collapse."

Between negotiating sessions, Arafat, Rabin and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres shared the podium at UNESCO headquarters to jointly receive the Felix Houphouët-Boigny Peace Prize. Named for the late president of Ivory Coast, the prize was awarded for the three men's work on the September 1993 peace agreement which gave Palestinians limited autonomy in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank town of Jericho.

"This is the stage where we end our dreaming. The time has come now to roll up our sleeves," Rabin said in his acceptance speech to a hall filled with dignitaries, including several heads of state.

"Because extremists on both sides are lying in wait for us, we — Israelis and Palestinians alike — must not fail," Rabin said. "At every step, we must think, consider, weigh, check and beware."

Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, head of the prize jury, handed out the awards, worth almost \$50,000 for each winner. Kissinger, who avoided talks with Arafat during his Middle East shuttle diplomacy in the 1970s, shook the PLO leader's hands as the crowd cheered.

At a press conference after a 90-minute session with the Israelis, Arafat promised to hold "free, honest and democratic elections as quickly as possible" in the Palestinian territories.

He did not give an exact date, as Israel has been asking before withdrawing troops from the West Bank. Palestinian officials have said polling won't take place until at least October.

Arafat described the talks as "positive and fruitful." He said he appealed directly to Rabin for more prisoner releases, including "more of our women."

Release of the prisoners, especially Muslim militants, is impeding Arafat's reconciliation with Islamic hardliners.

Rabin said the discussion with Arafat involved "extending 'empowerment' for Palestinians in other areas of the West Bank beyond Jericho."

"We are committed to the major steps on which we decided and to make all efforts to bring an end to the 100-year conflict of Palestinians, the Jewish community and Israel," Rabin said. "One has to have patience."

Arafat, in his UNESCO speech, called for Jerusalem to become an open city.

"It should be a place of peaceful coexistence, a living symbol for the peace of the brave we have sealed between us," he said.

Turning to Rabin and Peres, Arafat said, "You are my new neighbors... We are the children of Abraham. We are cousins. We should now be colleagues and friends."

Later, Arafat and the Israeli leaders met separately with French President Francois Mitterrand, whom Arafat invited to visit Gaza and Jericho.

Wednesday's talks were the first of such high level since the autonomy pact was signed by Israel and the Palestinians on May 4.

Japan's new prime minister faces first big test at Naples

By DAVID THURBER
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's new Socialist prime minister, in office only a week, may find that lack of experience pays at this week's summit of leading industrialized nations.

The weekend summit of the Group of Seven in Naples will be the first major international event for Tomiichi Murayama, Japan's modest, grandfatherly new leader.

At last year's summit, U.S. trade negotiators haggled through the night to extract concessions from Japan on a new framework for talks on opening Japan's market that would use "objective criteria" to measure progress.

Despite a lack of progress since then, U.S. officials are already warning that it's unreasonable this year to expect any notable breakthroughs from a weak, inexperienced prime minister.

That takes the heat off both Murayama and his shaky coalition government.

The unlikely government pairs Murayama's Socialist Party with its longtime archrival, the conservative Liberal Democrats.

When Murayama meets President Clinton for the first time on Friday, they are expected to avoid recriminations and merely confirm the need to reach an early agreement in the framework talks.

The talks have dragged on for 12 months, with the two sides failing to even agree on what they

meant by "objective criteria."

As Murayama left Tokyo Wednesday, efforts to reach an agreement with the United States on two key trade issues — automobiles and Japan's government procurement procedures — had apparently broken down.

And though Japanese bureaucrats had hoped to pitch a \$60 billion tax cut as an example of Japan's efforts to bolster its economy, quibbling within the government over details left the package unresolved.

The United States hopes that lower taxes will stimulate Japan's economy and encourage Japanese to buy more imports, thereby reducing the trade imbalance.

On the up side, Murayama will go into the summit with a newly approved economic deregulation package that should deflect some of the criticism abroad that Japan's markets are fraught with red tape.

"This administration was born so suddenly that I'm sure the other heads of state will have many things they want to express to us," Murayama said before leaving.

"I plan to assure them that Japan will continue its past foreign policies and resolutely honor its pledges. I believe it will be a good opportunity to win their confidence and trust."

Murayama, who had never held a Cabinet post until assuming the premiership June 29, is the fourth prime minister Japan has had since last year's summit.

'Lion King' breaks \$100 million mark; 'Speed' keeps up its fast-paced run

LOS ANGELES (AP) — *The Lion King* continued to dominate the box office over the holiday weekend despite the debut of two films aimed at its core audience.

Disney's animated musical sold \$34.2 million worth of tickets in its second weekend of national release, according to industry figures released Tuesday.

The Lion King has made \$104.6 million in three weeks, even though it played in only two theaters its first nine days of release.

The film's success during the long Fourth of July weekend was not hampered by five debuts: *The Shadow*, *Blown Away*, *I Love Trouble*, *Baby's Day Out* and *Little Big League*.

The child-oriented *Baby's Day Out* and *Little Big League* fared the worst, grossing \$4 million and \$3.1 million, respectively.

The Shadow made \$11.7 million; *Blown Away*, \$10.4 million; and *I Love Trouble*, \$7.8 million. Figures are from ticket sales Friday through Monday.

Speed, the action adventure movie starring Keanu Reeves, held on to third place after four weeks with \$11.2 million, outdrawing all debut films except for *The Shadow* with Alec Baldwin.

American moviegoers aren't the only ones flocking to *The Lion King*.

For the first time in company history, Disney opened the film simultaneously in the United States and overseas. In Colombia and South Africa — where the film has been dubbed into Zulu — *The Lion King* has broken records set by *Aladdin* and *Beauty and the Beast*.

The Disney film likely will pull ahead of *Flintstones* in the coming week to become the most popular movie of the summer, to date. *Flintstones* has made \$112.6 million in six weeks.

The weekend's top 20 films according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc., with the Friday-through-Monday holiday weekend gross, number of North American theater locations, average gross per location, total gross and number of weeks in release.

Figures are based on actual receipts and projections where actual figures were unavailable.

1. *The Lion King*, Disney, \$34.2 million, 2,560 loca-

tions, \$13,363 per location, \$104.6 million, three weeks.

2. *The Shadow*, Universal, \$11.7 million, 1,677 locations, \$6,985 per location, \$11.7 million, one week.

3. *Speed*, 20th Century Fox, \$11.2 million, 1,904 locations, \$5,902 per location, \$73.2 million, four weeks.

4. *Blown Away*, MGM, \$10.4 million, 1,862 locations, \$5,599 per location, \$10.4 million, one week.

5. *I Love Trouble*, Disney, \$7.8 million, 1,711 locations, \$4,575 per location, \$10 million, 1 1/2 weeks.

6. *Wolf*, Columbia, \$7.7 million, 2,117 locations, \$3,644 per location, \$49.6 million, three weeks.

7. *Wyatt Earp*, Warner Bros., \$5.3 million, 1,859 locations, \$2,848 per location, \$15.6 million, two weeks.

8. *The Flintstones*, Universal, \$4.5 million, 1,875 locations, \$2,420 per location, \$112.6 million, six weeks.

9. *Baby's Day Out*, 20th Century Fox, \$4 million, 1,705 locations, \$2,372 per location, \$4 million, one week.

10. *Little Big League*, Columbia, \$3.1 million, 1,527 locations, \$2,034 per location, \$4 million, 1-1/2 weeks.

11. *Maverick*, Warner Bros., \$3.1 million, 1,735 locations, \$1,761 per location, \$84.8 million, seven weeks.

12. *City Slickers II: The Legend of Curly's Gold*, Columbia, \$2.9 million, 1,625 locations, \$1,803 per location, \$35.2 million, four weeks.

13. *Getting Even With Dad*, MGM, \$1 million, 1,312 locations, \$769 per location, \$13.8 million, three weeks.

14. *Renaissance Man*, Disney, \$739,000, 486 locations, \$1,521 per location, \$22.1 million, five weeks.

15. *Four Weddings and a Funeral*, Gramercy, \$668,000, 277 locations, \$2,412 per location, \$48.7 million, 17 weeks.

16. *The Cowboy Way*, Universal, \$566,000, 416 locations, \$1,360 per location, \$16.8 million, five weeks.

17. *D2: The Mighty Ducks*, Disney, \$560,000, 551 locations, \$1,016 per location, \$43.6 million, 15 weeks.

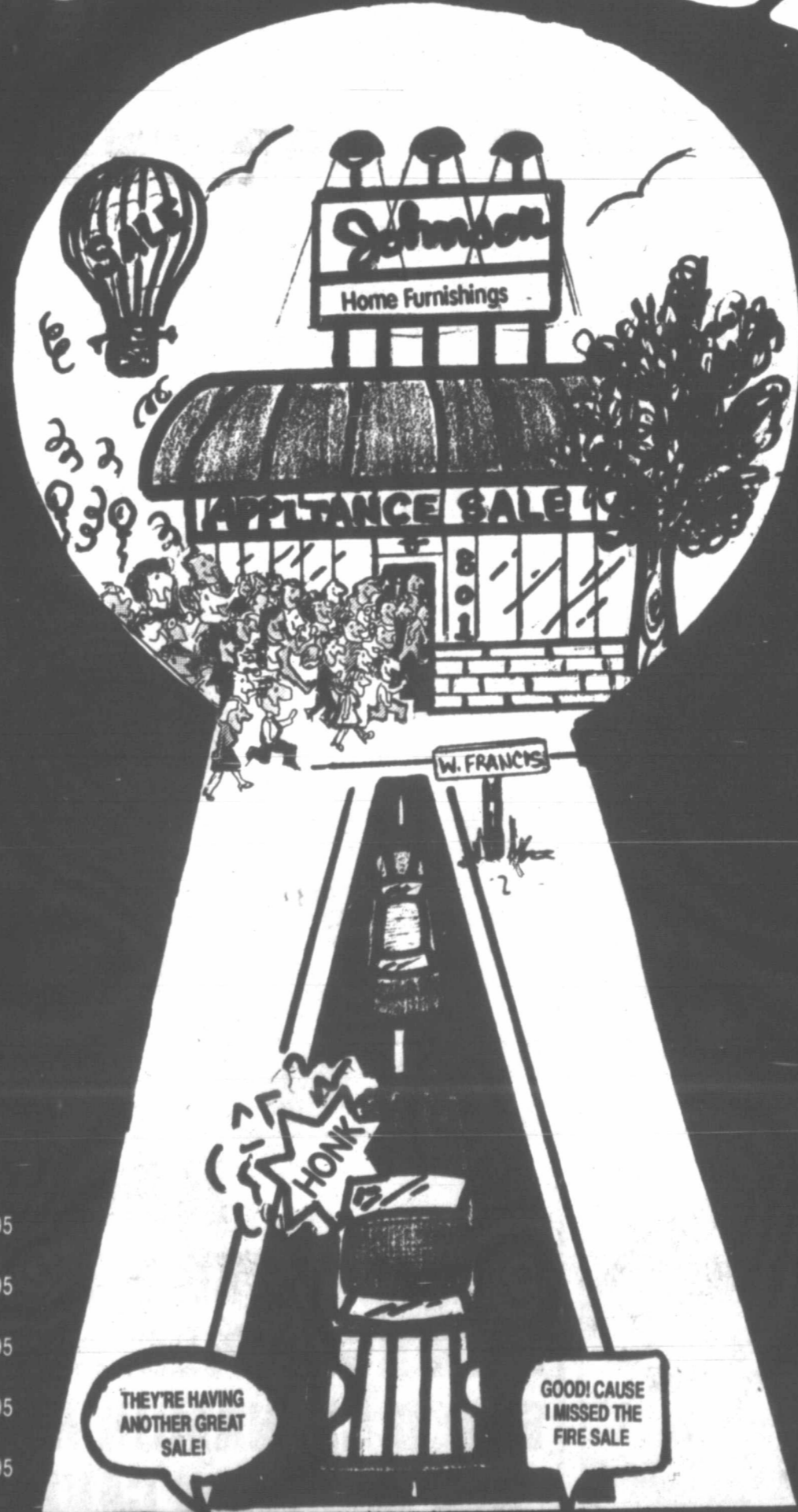
18. *Go Fish*, Samuel Goldwyn, \$514,000, 59 locations, \$8,711 per location, \$669,000, four weeks.

19. *The Crow*, Miramax, \$505,000, 373 locations, \$1,353 per location, \$47.3 million, eight weeks.

20. *Widow's Peak*, New Line, \$497,000, 173 locations, \$2,871 per location, \$4.2 million, eight weeks.

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DEAR ABBY: The problem is my ex-husband (I'll call him John). After many years of marriage, we are now divorced.

Since our divorce, John has stopped drinking, lost weight, pierced his ear and acquired a toupee.

He has always been a womanizer. He's an alcoholic but has been sober for four years. My concern is his refusal to use a condom.

John has informed me that he is going to have a vasectomy so as not to impregnate any of his girlfriends. He says he does not need to use a condom because his partners are professionals, well-groomed, and he has no need to worry about AIDS. He has been referred to as a "charmer" and prefers women 10 to 15 years younger than himself. (He is 42.)

Abby, not only is he in danger, but what about all these women he's had sex with?

IF THE SHOE FITS

DEAR IF: Any man or woman who had unprotected sex is risking his or her life as well as the lives of his or her partners. No condom is 100 percent safe — but a person as promiscuous as John is a danger to himself and his partners when he doesn't use a condom.

Fortunately, he's not your problem anymore. However, because of his sexual history, if you and John have been divorced less than 10 years, it would be a good idea for you to be tested for AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases — and then move on with your own life.

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law took all her grandchildren camping — eight kids in all. Some of the kids brought their bicycles; some didn't. My son (I'll call him Tommy) saved every penny he got from birthdays, Christmases and mowing lawns to buy his bike. He was constantly polishing it. It was his pride and joy.

My mother-in-law insisted that Tommy share his bike with the other kids. After much protest, Tommy realized that Grandma would not listen, so he gave in. His cousins took turns riding his bike off the end of the dock into the lake! Tommy was devastated to see the bike he had worked so hard for treated that way. He came home very angry.

I think Grandma was wrong not to consider Tommy's feelings. What do you think?

MIDWEST MOM

DEAR MOM: You're right. The bicycle was Tommy's, and he should have decided who, if anyone, rode it. Because Grandma insisted he share it, she should have made sure his cousins took good care of it. Since she didn't, she should have insisted that the cousins reimburse Tommy for the damage done to his bicycle.

DEAR ABBY: I am enclosing an advertisement for flowers to be planted around a mailbox. I am a mail carrier, and while the flowers around a mailbox may look great, they attract bees, and I'm highly allergic to bee stings. Please, Abby, ask your readers not to plant flowers around their mailboxes.

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DEAR J.S.: Consider it done, and the suggestion could be carried a step further — no flowers around gas or water meters, thus protecting meter readers from the danger of bee stings.

Pets: you can take them with you

By JENNIFER MERIN
For AP Special Features

NEW YORK (AP) — When Max checks in at the Tony Hotel Pierre, he's welcomed with a bone biscuit with his name in icing. Then, the white toy poodle from Pacific Palisades, Calif., is shown to his basket bed for a nap.

Since learning that the Pierre welcomes dogs, Max's dotting owners bring him along on monthly business trips.

Max is a veteran traveler, but pets with little experience can suffer severe stress on the road without advance preparation. To avoid travel trauma, kennel train your pet and research airline and hotel restrictions. For international travel, check and comply with foreign and domestic regulations.

Most veterinarians recommend leaving very young, aging and sickly pets at home. Airlines require pet health certificates issued within 10 days prior to departure, so plan ahead. When your pet visits the vet, update vaccinations and get copies of necessary prescriptions.

Borrow a kennel from a friend or buy one from a pet shop or veterinarian. Airlines won't board animals whose kennels aren't large enough for them to stand, turn and lie down comfortably.

To make a pet feel comfortable and safe in a kennel, place an article of your clothing or towel, some water and food inside and let him investigate the kennel with the door open. If he thinks the kennel is his den, he's less likely to panic when you shut the door. Increase the length of time he spends inside the closed kennel, move from room to room, take it outside and into a moving vehicle to prepare him for longer car or plane journeys.

Consult your veterinarian about

tranquilizing pets for flights. No doubt tranquilizers calm animals, but dosage at high altitudes can be tricky. If you tranquilize your animal, do so before you leave for the airport to minimize stress.

With waterproof marker, write "live animal" in large letters on the top and at least two sides of the kennel. Draw large arrows indicating "this side up." During air travel, the kennel must be securely closed but not locked in case emergency care is required.

Tag the kennel with your name; the pet's name; the vet's name and telephone; and the name, address and telephone number of your destination. Also, make sure your pet is collared with ID tags.

Airlines require that pets be fed and watered within four hours prior to travel. At check-in, owners must complete forms with feeding and watering instructions in flight. Kennels must have bowls for food and water inside and easily accessible. On long trips, pet food in a plastic bag should be attached to the outside of the kennel. Water bowls should be partially filled and frozen, making water from thawing ice available throughout the journey.

Airline restrictions vary. Before booking, contact several airlines to see which is most pet-friendly on your chosen route.

First-class passengers on British Airways and Air France are allowed to have kenneled small pets in the cabin.

Delta Airlines requires all animals to ride in the baggage hold on all flights. On domestic flights, American Airlines allows kennels in the cabin so long as they fit under the seat. Both airlines charge each way for domestic flights. Pet fares vary for international destinations.

Each country has different ani-

mal entry regulations, so contact embassies or consulates for details prior to travel. Great Britain requires a six-month quarantine for all animals. France has none.

Ecuador has strict regulations for entry and exit. For entry, it requires a notarized health certificate and advance notice of the pet's scheduled arrival so it can be checked by a local vet. If you fail to comply, the animal may be deported or destroyed.

A pet's re-entry to the United States is relatively easy from most destinations, if you can prove he has had the required vaccinations.

An ASPCA publication, "Traveling With Your Pet," provides a good overview of regulations. The booklet costs \$5. Tip sheets about car or air travel with dogs, cats and birds are free.

To find a pet-friendly hotel, call ahead, be specific about your needs and get the name of the person who takes your reservation. Hotel Pierre, Four Seasons Hotels & Resorts and Ritz-Carlton Hotels have liberal policies and pamper pets. Red Lion Hotels and Inns welcome pets under 20 pounds — one per room. Radisson, Stouffer, Holiday Inns and Embassy Suites accept pets at many locations. Most let pets stay free, others charge a small fee.

Two booklets, "Touring With Towser" and "Pets Allowed Directory," list a wide range of lodgings that welcome pets.

Several agencies specialize in animal travel. For a fee, Pawse Travel Co. of Rindge, N.H., provides lists of accommodations within a 25-mile radius of your destination. Princely Tours of New York City will arrange walkers, groomers and special cuisine for pets at most destinations so owners are free to sightsee.

All-star jubilee begins Saturday

The Pampa All-Star Jubilee featuring area and local talent is set for this Saturday at the Act I Theatre from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Bob Jeffers, an organizer of the event, said musicians from the local area will perform in the

jubilee. Country western and gospel music will be featured.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to various area charities.

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Newsmakers



ACT I award winners from the left are Sandy Crosswhite, director of the best show, "Driving Miss Daisy"; Ronnie Holmes, fan's favorite actor; Berinda Turcotte, best actress and fan's favorite actress; and Nathan Jones, best actor. (Courtesy photo by Janet Whitsell)

ACT I, Pampa's local community theatre, recently held a banquet and award ceremony at the Coronado Inn Starlight Room. "Driving Miss Daisy," directed by Sandy Crosswhite, was named the best show for the season.

The best actor award went to Nathan Jones who portrayed Hoke, the chauffeur in the production. Berinda Turcotte, who played Miss Daisy, won both the best actress and the fan's favorite actress awards. The fan's favorite actor award

went to Ronnie Holmes, who played Detective Levine in "Catch Me If You Can." The Kayla Pursley Scholarship was presented to Stephanie Northcutt, a 1994 Pampa High School graduate.

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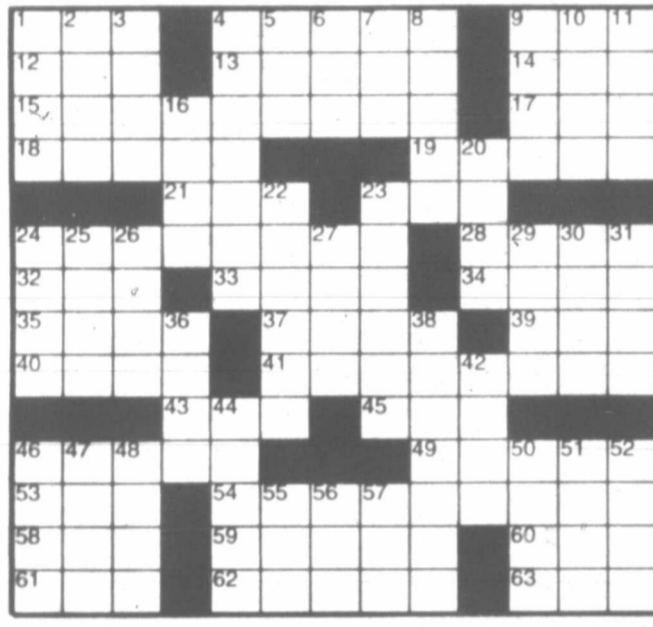
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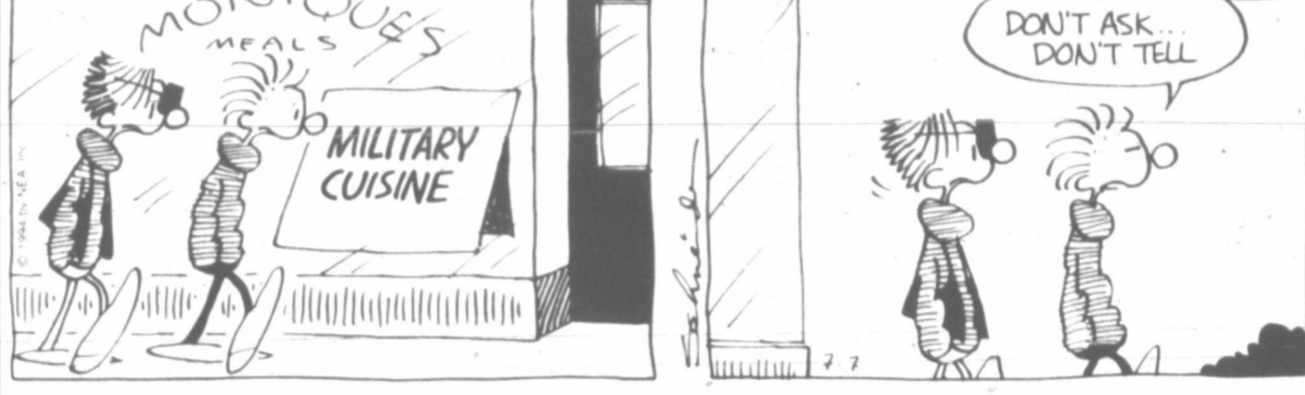
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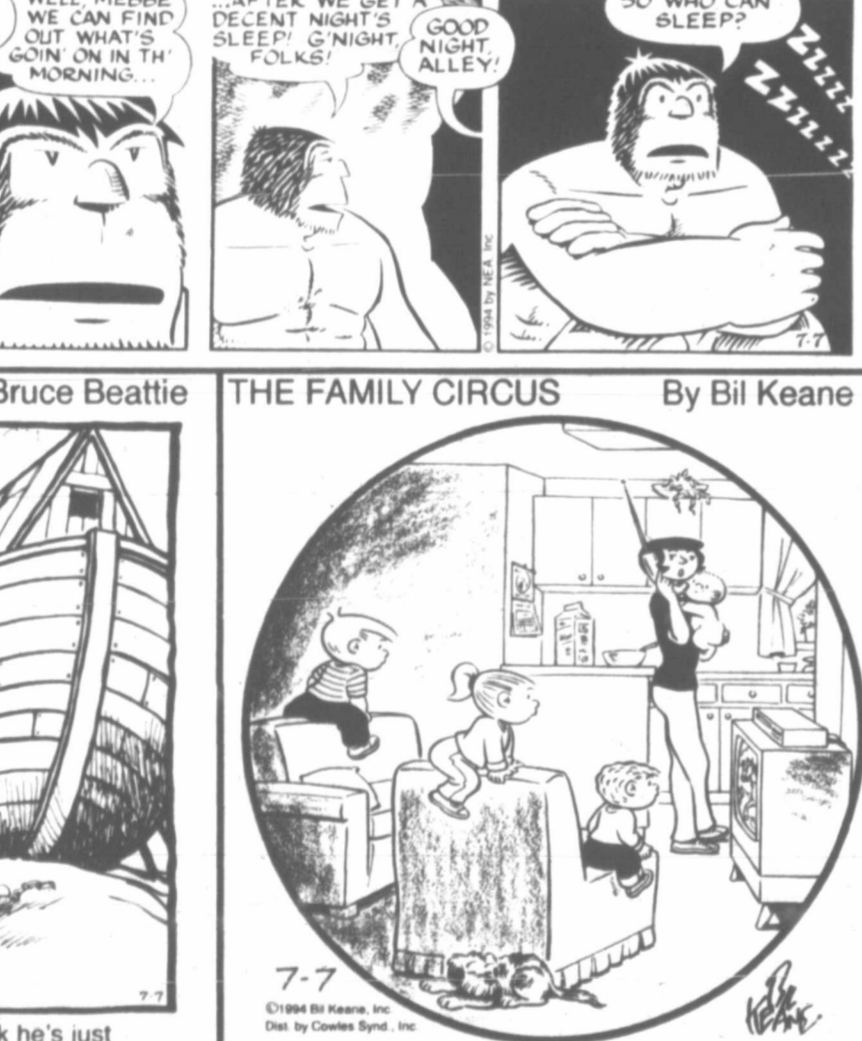
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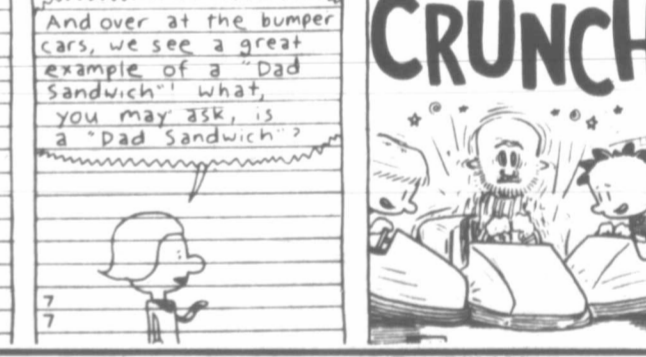
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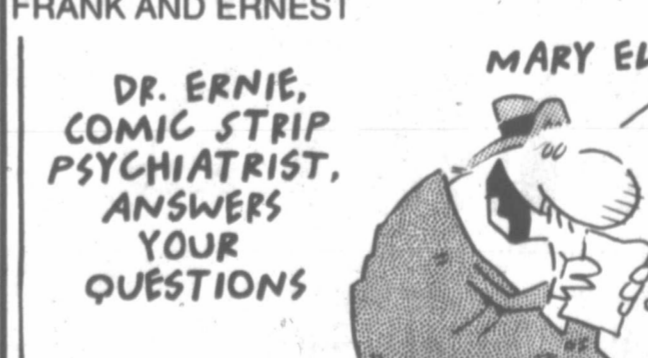
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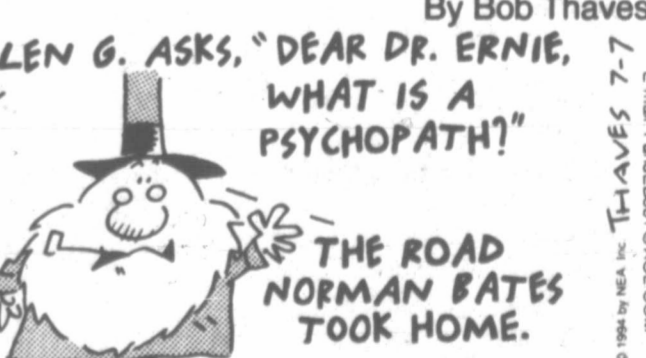
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TRACK AND FIELD

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — Leroy Burrell of the United States broke the world record in the 100 meters Wednesday, trimming one hundredth of a second off the mark in winning the race in 9.85 seconds at an IAAF Grand Prix meet.

Carl Lewis, who did not compete, held the record of 9.86, set in 1991.

"I knew it was going to be fast and I was very confident," the 27-year-old Burrell said. "I'm just happy to have broken the world record again."

Davidson Ezinwa of Nigeria, who previously held the world's fastest time this year, was second. Dennis Mitchell of the United States.

Weather conditions were warm and humid with a slight breeze.

FOOTBALL

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Shelby Hill, a rookie free agent with the Dallas Cowboys, was accused by police of pulling a pistol during a tavern confrontation with Arizona Cardinals linebacker Eric Hill.

Shelby Hill was arrested after the incident early Monday at Sharks, a Scottsdale nightclub and booked into the city jail for misdemeanor disorderly conduct, misconduct with a weapon and carrying a firearm while on the premises of a licensed liquor establishment, said police spokesman Mark Ruffennach.

Eric Hill, 27, a Louisiana State alumnus, and Shelby Hill, 22, were on the dance floor when Shelby, 6-foot and 190 pounds, bumped Eric, 6-3 and 255 pounds, police said.

The two gave some conflicting statements but were thrown out of the nightclub by bouncers, Ruffennach said.

Eric Hill told police that Shelby Hill, the son of former Arizona State and NFL wide receiver J.D. Hill, later pulled a gun out of the waistband of his pants. Shelby Hill told police he was handed the gun, a Glock 17 semiautomatic handgun, by someone else.

Shelby Hill acknowledged the gun belonged to him, police said.

Shelby Hill was kept in custody after being uncooperative with authorities, Ruffennach said. Hill faces fines and a possible jail term on the accusations.

It was thought to be the first scrape with the law for Shelby Hill, who went to Syracuse after a stand-out career at Phoenix Central High School.

Since the Cardinals drafted Eric Hill in the first round in 1989, he has faced charges for driving under the influence and disorderly conduct. He also pleaded no contest to assault after being accused of fondling a woman in a Flagstaff bar during training camp in 1992.

AUTO RACING

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Three-time NASCAR Winston Cup champion Darrell Waltrip — mired in the worst slump of his career — has fired his crew chief and his engine builder.

Crew chief Barry Dodson will be replaced by team manager Clyde Booth. Claude Queen will replace engine builder Lou LaRosa on an interim basis. Queen was a member of the engine-building team.

The changes were made Tuesday at Waltrip's team headquarters in Charlotte, N.C. The new assignments will be in effect Sunday when Waltrip drives in the Slick 50 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Waltrip, of Franklin, Tenn., is the winningest active driver on the Winston Cup circuit with 84 victories. But he has not won in 53 races, the worst showing of his 22-year career.

He needs just one victory to break a tie with the retired Bobby Allison for third place on the career list.

Richard Petty won 200 races in his career and David Pearson 105.

BASKETBALL

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Richard Bacon, who coached Dallas Lincoln to two Class 4A basketball titles since 1990, has been hired as an assistant coach at Texas Christian, head coach Billy Tubbs announced Wednesday.

Bacon, 36, was 158-46 in seven seasons at Lincoln. His teams reached the final four three times and won the championship in 1990 and 1993. His last two teams both went 33-3.

He previously coached Seagoville and was the freshman coach at Dallas Pinkston.

OLYMPIC FESTIVAL

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Veronica Ribot-Canales completed a long road back with a diving gold medal Wednesday at the U.S. Olympic Festival.

Ribot-Canales, 32, of Miami broke the 500-point mark for the first time in her career, finishing with 516.60 to win the 3-meter springboard competition. "It was really my faith that got me through," she said.

Ribot-Canales lost her home to Hurricane Andrew in August 1992. Later that year she had shoulder surgery. Then a neck problem diagnosed in early 1993 prompted her retirement from platform diving.

In October of last year she tore ligaments in an ankle. She also has been bothered by back problems.

"I don't really know how to think about the success here," she said. "I haven't had time to think about it."

The silver medal went to Tracy Bonner of the University of Tennessee, the leader after the preliminaries, who scored 495.40. Janette Stephenson of Ohio State finished third with 476.30.

Ribot-Canales, a native of Argentina, represented that country in the 1984, '88 and '92 Olympics. She decided in August 1992 to switch her sport nationality to the United States, but had to wait a year as per international diving federation rules.

She hopes to compete in the 1996 Games representing the United States.

"As long as I have a green light, I'm going to dive," she said.

The men's platform gold medal went to P.J. Bogart of Mesa, Ariz., who held off Chris Mantilla of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Bogart finished with 583.35 points to 577.45 for Mantilla, who had led after the preliminary round.

"You never looked at someone so happy," Bogart

U.S. players rooting for Brazil in World Cup

By KEN PETERS
AP Sports Writer

Many U.S. soccer players are now swaying to samba drums. Eliminated from the World Cup by Brazil, the Americans will be fans of the Brazilians for the rest of the tournament.

Should Brazil go on to win, it will give the U.S. players a sense of satisfaction knowing that they lost just 1-0 to the eventual champions. And the Americans came out of that game as admirers of the Brazilians.

"They're awesome," defender Alexi Lalas said.

"They come at you in waves. I'd like to see the Brazilians win it."

Goalie Tony Meola said: "I think you usually want the

team that beat you to win it."

Asked his pick, midfielder Mike Sorber said: "I like Brazil."

The players said they hope that the Americans who backed them, watched the games in person or on TV, won't tune out on the World Cup just because the United States is out.

"Some English people told me that since they weren't in the World Cup, they would be pulling for us," Sorber said. "I believe that will happen now for a lot of Americans: they'll pick their favorite team to cheer for."

"There are so many great players, great personalities to choose from, like Gheorghe Hagi (of Romania), Romario (of Brazil), who are wonderful

to watch and who also are interesting people."

Lalas said: "I think people will stay interested. People have discovered that it's a month-long party, and the party's still going on. It was something against Brazil, all that samba, all those flags, Brazilian and American. They really appreciated the game."

"There are still a lot of good teams, a lot of exciting players to watch, some great soccer left. I've been playing in the World Cup, now I'm going to be a fan and watch the World Cup."

ABC estimated that 32 million people tuned in for the United States-Brazil game on Monday, but ratings for games not involving the American team have been substantially

lower. ABC's high for its four games not involving the Americans was 3.77 million homes.

During the first two rounds, a record 2,952,023 fans attended 44 games, an average of 67,091. The previous record of 2,517,348 (an average of 48,411) was set four years ago in Italy. The average for this year is sure to break the record of 60,772, set in Brazil in 1950.

"I definitely don't think people will tune out on it," Sorber said. "The games have been so exciting, and there are teams like Brazil that are just awesome. The atmosphere of the entire World Cup has been great. In the crowd at Palo Alto, the Brazilians and Americans sat side-by-side and

I don't think there were any fights or anything."

"The Brazilians had their drums and the Americans were chanting 'U-S-A' and at the end, I think all of the fans were applauding both teams."

Meola said: "Hopefully, we convinced people this is an attractive game, one worth watching. I hope that because we are out, the excitement doesn't end here in the United States."

Midfielder John Harkes believes Americans are developing an appetite for the game.

"I think Americans want to see some more soccer now," he said. "Just like America is a melting pot, fans from different nations, different backgrounds are getting together now and enjoying the sport."

Bowlers aid workshop



Proceeds from the Budweiser Bowling Tournament held recently at Harvester Lanes went to the Pampa Sheltered Workshop. Tournament director Belinda Nolte (left) presents a check for \$268 to Sheila Schuetze, representing the Sheltered Workshop. (Pampa News photo)

Pampa girls rout Stinnett in softball

PANHANDLE — Pampa pounded out 30 hits in beating Stinnett, 42-14, Wednesday night in the opening game of the District 11-12 year-old Girls' Softball Tournament. Pampa's defense and excellent pitching held Stinnett to just one run going into the sixth inning.

Tandi Morton pitched the first inning for Pampa, retiring Stinnett in order while striking out one. In the bottom of the first, Pampa took a 3-0 lead, in what turned out to be their least productive inning.

Jill Forman relieved Morton to start the second inning. Forman pitched four innings, striking out five, walking two while allowing just two hits and one run.

Defensively for Pampa in the second after the first batter base safely with one out, Cassi Scott at second base fielded a grounder, tagged the advancing runner, then threw to first for the out to retire the side.

In the bottom half of the second, Pampa's bats came alive, pounding out seven hits and scoring nine runs to increase their lead to 12-0 after two.

Fifteen of Pampa's 30 hits were by Jill Forman, Kimberly Clark and Jessica Gonzales, each with five hits. Gonzales was Pampa's leading hitter with a home run, two triples and two singles. Clark had a home run and four singles, followed by Forman with five singles. Angela Brown hit a grand slam in the bottom of the fifth. Others with extra base hits for Pampa were Morton and April Shorter, each with one double.

Angela Brown came on in relief of Forman in the top of the sixth, allowing three runs.

Pampa next plays the winner of Hi-Plains West and Fritch at 8 p.m. Saturday.

Dallas' Brown overcomes near-fatal childhood accident to excel on mound

By JIM LEXA
Amarillo Globe-News

AMARILLO — Darren Brown of the Amarillo Dillas not only is one of the top relief pitchers in the Texas-Louisiana League, but he also owns one of the longer scars in the league.

Brown's scar, the result of a childhood horse riding accident that nearly cost him his life, begins just above his navel. It rises for about three inches, then runs diagonally downward to his right for about five inches. He was 13 years old at the time.

He lost 13 pints of blood, no small amount considering the average person has 12 pints of blood.

"I was as scared as you can be at 13," said Brown, who turned 27 on June 13.

Brown was riding a horse on the family farm in Holdenville, Okla., when the horse reared up and toppled on him. Brown tried to get up, but couldn't. One of his sisters raced home to get their mother, who just happened to have called in sick to work that day.

"It was probably just by the grace of God that she was home," Brown said.

Brown had a hole in his stomach from the accident, and had his spleen removed. Brown said the accident happened on a Tuesday and he woke up on a Saturday.

"I might have been awake during that time, but I wouldn't have known it," Brown said.

He remained in the hospital for 20 to 21 days, and "I didn't do anything for two to three months," Brown said.

When Brown was 2, he survived another freak accident. Brown had the end of his ring finger on his right (throwing) hand cut off when it was caught in a belt of a machine at a laundry.

"I don't remember much of that," Brown said.

The T-L League, though, is remembering Brown, who is 1-0 with six saves and an ERA of 2.0. He has struck out 15, walked seven and allowed 12 hits in 13 1/3 innings.

"The key is he throws strikes, quality strikes," Amarillo manager Ross

Grimsley said. "He makes hitters swing."

Brown inherited the closer role, Grimsley said, by performing well in that situation in his first few opportunities of the season.

"I'm throwing the ball real well right now," said Brown, whose best pitches are a fastball and curveball. "If you throw strikes, you have a chance, that's the way I feel at it."

Brown, who was an all-state basketball player at Class B Moss, Okla., comes from a baseball family.

His father, Paul Brown, made 36 appearances during four seasons with the Philadelphia Phillies in the 1960s. His uncle, Jackie Brown, made the big leagues for seven years in the 1970s and pitched with four teams, including the Washington Senators and Texas Rangers. Jackie Brown is the pitching coach for the Chicago White Sox.

"They've been real helpful with me," Brown said. "I'm able to go home, throw the whole time and work on things. I have two people standing right behind me who've been there and know what it takes to pitch in the big leagues."

Campground volunteers: Stretching resources at national parks

By SCOTT WILLIAMS
Corpus Christi Caller-Times

CORPUS CHRISTI — Without people like C.J. Lowes, visiting Padre Island National Seashore wouldn't be nearly as much fun. But it's more than her winning personality that brightens the faces of National Park Service employees and visitors.

Without her assistance as a volunteer campground host, the federal government either would have to hire someone to do her job or force the park's limited staff to take on extra duties.

"The volunteers in the park fill a void — although not the total void — between what Congress will allocate and what's really needed," said Lowes, a retired U.S. Air Force major.

Lowes, 42, is among 30 to 40 volunteers from Corpus Christi and throughout the United States who donate time and effort to supplement the parks full-time staff of 51.

April Thomas, coordinator of the Volunteers in Parks program, said volunteers contribute their time and talents throughout the park. She said one couple started a park newspaper and another put together a puppet show.

One volunteer wrote brochures for the park, and another is updating the park's slide collection by taking photographs of wildlife.

Texas Outdoors

Mike Venglar, a Navy weather forecaster stationed at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, contributes artwork to the park. His 30 to 40 pen-and-ink drawings of fish, birds and shells have been used to illustrate park bulletins. He also conducted a Nature in Art program for the Junior Seashore Ranger Program in which children sketched shells and other objects that washed up on the beach.

Venglar said contributing his artistic abilities allows him to meet people and learn about the community.

Chris Feit, 58, volunteers one day a week from April through September in the National Parks Service Sea Turtle Patrol Program. Every Tuesday, she climbs onto an all-terrain vehicle and searches the beach for signs of nesting Kemp's ridley sea turtles.

Feit, originally from

Germany, said her lifelong interest in nature makes volunteering at the national seashore a perfect match. During her two years with the sea turtle program, she had discovered several dead turtles but until two weeks ago had never spotted a live one.

On June 10, Feit watched a Kemp's ridley turtle crawl from the surf 52 miles south of Malaquite Beach and lay 111 eggs, an experience she described as once in a lifetime.

But on a day-to-day basis, no one has it better than Lowes, who is allowed to camp for free in exchange for her services.

From inside her self-contained, 23-foot-long travel trailer, she can look out at sand dunes, violet flowers and the Gulf of Mexico. Outside, the surf roars, the wind blows constantly, and the air smells like saltwater.

"I knew when I retired I wanted to do something like this," she said.

"I volunteered a couple of years ago. I figured there were so many people standing in line to do this it would be years before I could do it."

But the park needed a campground host, so in August 1993, shortly after retiring from the Air Force, Lowes drove from her five-acre spread south of San Antonio to the park's sandy, windswept campground.

"I came down here in August thinking I was going to stay maybe a month; I stayed until December. When I left, it was like moving, changing cities. And when I came back, it was like coming home again."

She returned in April and worked through June. After visiting her family in Pennsylvania, she'll return as campground host from August through December.

A typical day begins at 6 a.m. with sunrise over the Gulf. After a cup of coffee, Lowes checks to see if new campers have arrived during the night. Waiting until a decent hour to greet them, she picks up trash in the campground and on the beach and sometimes helps her fellow campers.

Help might come in the form of tourist information or as an extra pair of hands to set up an awning in a stiff wind.

She leaves the collections of camping fees for park rangers ("That way I can't be robbed") and keeps in touch via radio. Otherwise she whiles away the hours relaxing, playing the guitar and watching for campers.

"It really isn't a lot of work," she said. "Last year I took up the guitar and this fall I'm going to learn to wind surf. After being in the service, this is very laid back, very relaxing. I'm reading all the books I've ever wanted to read. Some people would say it's boring, but it's not. There's always something to do."

When beach life gets old, Lowes, who's allowed two days off each week, hops into her pickup and heads for her country home. When business is slow she drives into town or goes beach combing.

She hopes to serve as a volunteer campground host another year before applying at a national park in the mountains. The change of scenery would do her some good, she said, although she's not about to complain about beach life.

"The sunsets and sunrises keep you coming back," she said.

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