

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

ALLEN, Norman Lee — 10 a.m., First Christian Church, Pampa.

Stocks

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| The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of Pampa | | |
| Wheat | 2.25 | |
| Milo | 2.79 | |
| Corn | 3.18 | |
| Soybeans | 3.77 | |
| The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation | | |
| Occidental | 20.38 | up 1/8 |
| Magellan | 129.43 | |
| Puritan | 20.57 | |
| The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa | | |
| Amoco | 109 5/8 | dn 4 11/16 |
| Alco | 85 3/4 | dn 4 |
| Cabot | 23 15/16 | up 1/8 |
| Cabot O&G | 18 7/8 | dn 1/16 |
| Chevron | 92 3/8 | dn 2 11/16 |
| Coca Cola | 61 15/16 | up 5/8 |
| Columbia/HCA | 25 1/8 | up 1/8 |
| Emron | 42 1/8 | dn 1 |
| Halliburton | 44 3/4 | dn 1/4 |
| IRI | 4 13/16 | NC |
| KNE | 20 1/2 | dn 1/4 |
| Kerr McGee | 55 11/16 | dn 1 5/16 |
| Limited | 40 5/8 | dn 3/8 |
| McDonald's | 42 7/16 | dn 5/16 |
| Mobil | 104 9/16 | dn 1 11/16 |
| New Atmos | 25 3/8 | dn 3/8 |
| NCE | 36 15/16 | NC |
| Penney's | 40 15/16 | dn 5/8 |
| Phillips | 51 15/16 | dn 15/16 |
| Pioneer Nat. Res. | 11 5/8 | dn 3/8 |
| SLB | 64 11/16 | dn 1 11/16 |
| Tenneco | 21 1/2 | up 3/16 |
| Texaco | 63 1/4 | dn 1 5/16 |
| Ultramar | 26 3/16 | dn 3/16 |
| Wal-Mart | 47 9/16 | dn 13/16 |
| Williams | 44 15/16 | dn 5/16 |
| New York Gold | 252.55 | |
| Silver | 5.09 | |
| West Texas Crude | 20.41 | |

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and reports during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Aug. 25

Tammie Bennett, 38, 529 Magnolia, was arrested on a parole warrant from Potter County.
Billy Morgan, 51, 425 Carr, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and simple assault.
Theft was reported at Alco.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Aug. 24

Steven Ray Taylor, 36, Rt. 2 Pampa, was arrested on charges of injury to a disabled person.

Wednesday, Aug. 25

DeAnna Atwood, 54, White Deer, was arrested on charges of bond surrender/assault with bodily injury and failure to appear.

Fires

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

Wednesday, Aug. 25

9:56 a.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 400 block of West Brown on an automobile accident.

3:11 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1500 block of Hobart on an automobile accident.

4:30 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2400 block of Comanche on a CO alarm.

5:02 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to Highways 60 and 70 on an automobile accident.

Thursday, Aug. 26

6:54 a.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to the 1000 block of North Hobart on a smoke scare.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Aug. 25

7:35 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of South Barnes and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

9:10 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of South Faulkner and transported one to PRMC.

Emergency numbers

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| Ambulance | 911 |
| Crime Stoppers | 669-2222 |
| Energas | 665-5777 |
| Fire | 911 |
| Police (emergency) | 911 |
| Police (non-emergency) | 669-5700 |
| SPS | 1-800-750-2520 |
| Water | 669-5830 |

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PRAYER

such as high school graduations, but not at sporting events. The 5th Court of Appeals is based in New Orleans, La., and is the court of appeals for Pampa and Texas.

"We're going to follow the law," said Orr. "Until the Supreme Court rules and changes it, it (the 5th U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals) is the law of this land." Orr said when he took the position as superintendent of Pampa school district he signed an oath to uphold all state and federal laws.

White Deer ISD Superintendent Robert Parks is very frustrated by the court decisions. "I feel this should be a local decision to be made by local school boards and local school districts," said Parks. "I am very frustrated that people would try to stop prayers at school events."

Parks said he has not discussed the issue with the local school board, but that White Deer students will probably continue with their student-led prayers at ball games. "With so many things going on in the world today, prayer would certainly help," he said. "It (the prayer issue) is just so frustrating."

"When it comes to prayer in schools and among students I always think of what I heard a female teacher say back in the 1960s when the prayer issue first came about. Parks related the woman said 'I fear God more than I fear my job.' He said the former teacher's comments have always stayed with him.

New Panhandle Superintendent John Walts has only been on the job a few weeks, and said the issue has not arisen in the Panhandle School District. He said he is not fully aware of the customs in the Panhandle school system and will need to visit with school personnel and school board members before a decision is made.

Father John Valdez of the local St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church said he hasn't really given the recent court decisions much thought. He did say, "It concerns me to inhibit a student's freedom of expression when it is a matter of the heart." He spoke of the Columbine school shootings in May in Colorado when two teenagers went on a rampage, killing 13 students while in school. "Some of those kids said what they believed and gave their life because of it," he said.

The two separate rulings by U. S. Circuit Courts of Appeals is confusing school officials, parents and students as to whether or not prayers will be allowed at football games as well as other school events.

The 5th U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that students cannot pray at some events following a lawsuit that took prayer out of the pregame ceremonies originated in the Santa Fe Independent School District in Galveston County when two families, one Mormon and the other Catholic, filed a lawsuit against it.

A 16-year-old Santa Fe student was elected by fellow students to deliver short messages "solemnizing" each of the Santa Fe Indians' home games. But with her high school at the center of the nationwide debate, the teenager changed her mind on Wednesday.

In Santa Fe, superintendent Richard Ownby had warned publicly that any student who led prayers at the Indians' Sept. 3 opener against Crosby "would be disciplined as if they had cursed."

Vega released a statement through an attorney, Kelly Cogan of Houston, explaining her resignation.

"When a student is told by the government that she may say anything except a prayer, and if she does pray, she will be disciplined as if she had cursed, it is just too much pressure," she said in her statement. "I do not want to be expelled from school for using the word 'God' in a reverent manner."

Ownby said he regretted the comparison he

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drew. However, he continued. "It was a poor choice of examples on my part," he said. "But it is my belief that you have to deal with a student that prays the same as any other student that does something you told them not to do."

School officials at the Santa Fe school, and in other towns across Texas, have advised students not to lead prayers before football games in the wake of the appeals court decision.

The Santa Fe District has appealed the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling to the U. S. Supreme Court. The petition to the Supreme Court to review the case is supported in a brief filed by Texas Gov. George W. Bush, Attorney General John Cornyn and eight other states: Alabama, Colorado, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nebraska, South Carolina and Tennessee.

A group of 72 Santa Fe students and parents have also filed supporting briefs.

But the 11th U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals issued a conflicting decision last month that ruled an Alabama school district cannot prohibit student-initiated religious speech, including prayers at school-related assemblies and sporting events. The 11th Circuit is based in Atlanta, Ga.

The attorney who represents Santa Fe ISD said the district needs clear guidelines as the president of the school board at Pearland, Glen Moreau, said the board is sworn to uphold the Constitution and will comply with the court order. He said the board will support the Santa Fe ISD appeal to the Supreme Court.

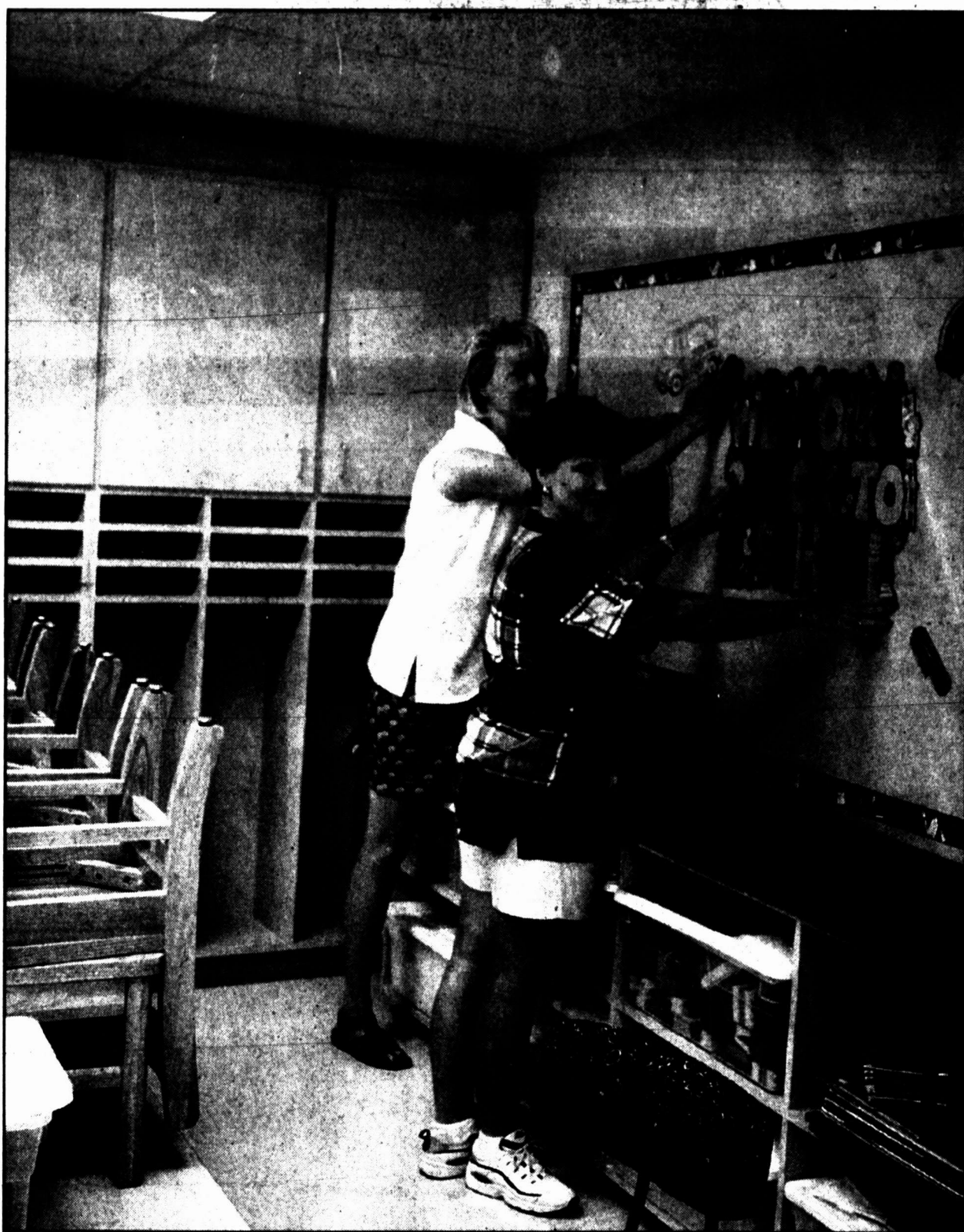
Virginia Collier, who is superintendent of Brenham ISD and president of the Texas Association of School Administrators said she will abide by the ruling. She said she has talked to about 10 superintendents around the state, and the majority said they were not going to comply. She said not only did she take an oath to follow the state and federal laws, but the superintendents are role models for children. "We cannot pick and choose what laws we want to follow. We can try to change the law if we think it is inappropriate, but we cannot ignore it," she said.

Ms. Collier said she will inform the schools Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Fellowship of Christian Musicians and the student councils that they no longer will be able to lead prayers over the public address system.

"They still have the right to pray wherever they want, individually or standing in a group, but they cannot use the P.A. system and it must be voluntary," Ms. Collier said.

Santa Fe school board president said any prayer — no matter how generic — would be better than none. "Personally, I feel it's a great tragedy with everything that is going on throughout high schools in the U. S. — the Columbine situation, the Pearl Mississippi, situation. Students are begging for this right to pray," he said.

Today the Santa Fe school board will discuss the school's legal liability and other possible consequences if, despite the district's efforts, a student initiates prayer at a football game.



Janet Whitsell (left) and Jamie White work hard to get everything ready for the first day of class Aug. 30 at St. Matthews Episcopal Day School. The school still has spaces available for new students.

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POLICE

Meanwhile, Love and Chace returned to the duplex and began interviewing a woman they had seen cruising the area in a brown car.

While they were speaking to her, a neighbor yelled that someone had run into the empty side of the duplex. Officers checked again and found one of the suspects along with a large quantity of the cigarettes.

Officers then went back to interview the woman in the brown car, wondering if she and the other suspect were connected, police said. They received consent to search the car and found more cigarettes in her trunk.

Police then received what at first seemed an unrelated call from the girlfriend of a man who said he didn't want to go back to prison and would

make the police shoot him.

Lt. Tommy Pickering and Officer Heather Kemp responded and subdued the man without any injuries. The girlfriend then led officers to her residence which turned out to be the other side of the duplex. She said her boyfriend had left something there.

She signed a consent to search form and officers found some of the beer and more cigarettes. They also found identification for the boyfriend among the cigarettes. The girlfriend was apparently not involved and is not being charged, according to police sources.

Police expect to file charges against the two men and while the woman in the brown car was not immediately arrested a warrant may be issued later today, officers said. Much of the merchandise has been recovered but some had already been sold for crack cocaine, police report.

Court rules man must share lottery winnings with ex-wife

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — A man who had been separated from his wife for seven years when he hit a \$16 million lottery jackpot must share his winnings with his former spouse, a court ruled.

The state Appellate Court upheld a divorce decree awarding Roxanna Panganiban \$6,000 a month in support from her ex-husband, Alan Panganiban. Panganiban was unemployed when the couple married in New London in 1979. They frequently received welfare in Connecticut until he moved out of the state in March 1985, according to court documents.

In September 1992, Panganiban won \$16 million in the Powerball Lottery with a ticket he purchased in Delaware. After finding out about his lottery windfall, Mrs. Panganiban filed for divorce. A Connecticut judge dissolved the marriage, awarding her sole custody of the couple's son and \$6,000 a month in alimony for 10 years.

Panganiban said the decree was inapplicable because he had not lived in Connecticut for several years. The appellate court

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disagreed, saying he spent most of his married life in the state. The justices said the lower court was right to consider the lottery prize in fixing the alimony amount.

City Briefs

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Mostly sunny today with a high of 97 and south-southwest winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the upper 60s and south-southwest winds at 5-10 mph. Tomorrow, mostly sunny with a high in the upper 90s. High yesterday 97, the overnight low, 70.

PANHANDLE — Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the mid 60s. Southwest wind 5-10 mph. Friday, mostly sunny with

a high in the lower 90s. Light and variable wind.

STATEWIDE — There will be widely scattered thunderstorms around the state through Friday, but no significant rainfall is forecast.

In West Texas, the best chance of showers and thunderstorms will be in the Big Bend area, the Davis Mountains and in extreme West Texas. It will be partly cloudy across all of West Texas.

More hot weather is in store across North Texas through

Friday.

South Texas will have clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers and thunderstorms over scattered areas.

Lows tonight will be in the 60s and 70s over most of West Texas except in the mountains of Southwest Texas where readings will dip into the 50s, the 70s and low 80s across North Texas and in the 70s in South Texas.

The highest reading in the state on Wednesday was 105 at McKinney.

PHS Choir Car Wash



(Community Camera photo by Jennifer Scoggin)
Pampa High School Choir members Meredith Hendricks and Kristen Stowers, back, and Josh Gibson and Celeste Stowers, front, prepare for Saturday's annual carwash. Community members are encouraged to take their cars to the NBC Bank between 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Choir students are collecting pledges and donations. The students are very appreciative of the community support. Donations may be made in a student's name at the car wash.

Reno vows to get to the truth on Waco

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno pledged today to "get to the bottom" of why it took the FBI six years to admit that its agents may have fired potentially flammable tear gas canisters on the final day of their standoff with the Branch Davidian cult near Waco, Texas.

"I have no reason at this point to believe the FBI is responsible for the deaths of those people," Reno told her weekly news conference at the Justice Department. But she said she was "very, very frustrated" that six years after categorical denials by the FBI there were news reports about the possible use of flammable devices.

"It is absolutely critical that we do everything humanly possible to learn all the facts as accurately as possible and make them available to the Congress and public," said Reno, who, along with FBI Director Louis Freeh, has ordered a fresh investigation of what transpired on April 19, 1993, at the Branch Davidian compound.

Earlier, Reno and Freeh ordered 40 FBI agents led by an FBI inspector to re-interview everyone who was at the Waco scene. FBI spokesman John Collingwood said Wednesday night that the agents are to report "within weeks" on all aspects of the use of military-type tear gas and why it took so long to be admitted publicly.

Reno said she had gone over in her mind many times the events of that fiery day and had many times asked herself how the government might have handled it differently. Had no stand been taken that day, she said, "We don't know if (cult leader) David Koresh would have done it two weeks later on his own, without any provocation, and the federal government would have been blamed for not acting sooner."

Meantime, the chairman of the Texas Department of Public Safety told The Dallas Morning News that federal officials need to explain why members of the Army's squad Delta Force anti-terrorism squad were at the scene the day the compound burned.

"Everyone involved knows they were there. If there is an issue, it was what was their role at the time," said James B. Francis of Dallas. "Some of the evidence that I have reviewed and been made aware of is very problematical as to the role of Delta Force at the siege."

The News cited a Defense Department document obtained under the Freedom of Information Act that confirms that the Special Forces unit was on the scene when the FBI hostage-rescue unit used tanks to assault the compound with tear gas on April 19, 1993. The U.S. military is barred from domestic police work.

Republicans in Congress made clear they would reopen hearings into the 51-day siege. The standoff ended with the death of Koresh and about 80 followers during a fire that erupted after the tear gas assault on their wooden headquarters.

Reno today described herself as "very troubled" by the developments and said she had been consistently told that no incendiary devices were used at the compound.

"I will continue to pursue this matter to get to the truth," she told reporters. "I intend the results of the review to be made public and I will not stop until I get to the bottom of this."

She said a meeting was to be held later today, at which time officials would discuss whether an outside investigation should be undertaken.

Asked if she thought the reversal of position had harmed her credibility, Reno replied, "I don't think it's very good for my credibility, and that's why I am going to pursue it until I get to the truth."

On Capitol Hill, Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., chairman of the House Government Reform Committee, said, "I am deeply concerned by these inconsistencies. ... I intend for the committee to get to the bottom of this."

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, who chairs a subcommittee that oversees the FBI, said, "This is a serious development in terms of further erosion of the FBI's credibility."

Collingwood said: "The FBI may have used a very limited number of military-type CS gas canisters on the morning of April 19 in an attempt to penetrate the roof of an underground bunker 30 to 40 yards away from the main Branch Davidian compound," he said.

Unlike the civilian tear gas used later, "the military canisters may have contained a substance that is designed to disperse the gas using a pyrotechnic mixture," Collingwood said.

Officials said two military tear gas canisters were fired just after 6 a.m., six hours before the fire began. The canisters bounced off the roof of the concrete bunker and landed in an open field, according to those officials, who requested anonymity.

Nonpyrotechnic tear gas canisters had not penetrated the bunker, which was linked to the main building by tunnels, the officials said. The FBI wanted to clear out anyone hiding there.

Two officials suggested word of the military canisters might not have been relayed to top FBI and justice officials earlier because original inquiries focused on the fire in the main building and the military canisters had been fired almost 180 degrees away from that building and hours before the fire.

U.S. economy growing at slower rate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy grew at a substantially slower annual rate of 1.8 percent in the second quarter, reflecting the drag from a bloated trade deficit.

The Commerce Department reported today that the increase in the gross domestic product from April through June was slower than the 2.3 percent the government had estimated one month ago.

The second-quarter slowdown came after the economy surprised many analysts by growing at a brisk annual rate of 4.3 percent in the first three months of 1999.

The inflation-sensitive bond market showed little reaction to the report, as yields on 30-year Treasuries held steady at 5.86 percent this morning, up from late Wednesday's 5.85 percent.

On Tuesday, the Federal Reserve nudged up interest rates for the second time this summer in an effort to cool the economy and keep inflation at bay. The Fed also signaled that additional rate increases this year may not be needed unless the economy shows signs of overheating or inflation dangers.

Even though the economy has slowed in recent months, it is still expected to grow almost 4 percent this year, a robust pace.

The revised GDP report said economic growth was reduced

by 1.34 percentage points by a second-quarter trade deficit that was \$14.4 billion worse than originally estimated.

During the April-June quarter the trade deficit swelled to \$33.8 billion as a 14.4 percent jump in imports overwhelmed a 4.3 per-

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cent rise in exports.

"The big factor of course was imports. On the surface it looks as though things slowed a great deal more but actually the surge in imports is further testimony of the strength of private-sector demand and of a really healthy economy," said Cynthia Latta, an economist with Standard and Poor's DRI.

The surging trade imbalance

reflects the impact of the global financial crisis, which has cut into American export sales while increasing competition on U.S. manufacturers from a flood of cheaper imports.

Also today, the government said the profits of U.S. companies decreased at an annual rate of \$9.2 billion in the second quarter, the biggest drop since the end of 1997. In the first quarter of the year, profits rose at a \$47.1 billion rate.

In addition to facing stiff price competition from imports, U.S. companies are being pinched by increasing labor costs resulting from the lowest unemployment rates in three decades.

In a separate report today, the Labor Department said the number of Americans filing for unemployment benefits last week fell by 5,000 to 283,000. Jobless-claims levels below 300,000 are generally considered an indication of an extremely tight labor market.

Many economists had expected the ballooning trade deficit to cool economic growth and calm fears that the economy could overheat.

The booming U.S. economy has been powered by robust consumer spending, which accounts for two-thirds of total economic activity.

The government said today that consumer spending in the

second quarter rose at an annual rate of 4.6 percent. That was brisker than estimated one month ago but still slower than the torrid 6.7 percent pace of spending in the January-March quarter.

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The government did not revise an inflation gauge tied to second-quarter GDP, which rose 2.1 percent. In the first quarter of this year, that inflation measure rose 1.2 percent.

Business investment rose at an annual rate of 11.2 percent in the second quarter, an even stronger showing than the government first estimated.

The government said spending for new homes and apartments increased at a 7.7 percent rate, better than the 5.1 percent rate originally estimated, but still slower than the first quarter of 1999. Analysts believe the housing market will cool in the coming months because of rising mortgage rates.

All the changes show the economy growing at an annual rate of \$34.7 billion in the second quarter of the year, pushing the country's total output of goods and services to \$7.8 trillion, after adjusting for inflation.

South Texas school district's "dress code" draws lawsuit

WEST COLUMBIA, Texas (AP) — A group of southeast Texas parents believe they know a school uniform when they see one.

Four parents will go before a state district judge Friday to seek a temporary injunction against the Columbia-Brazoria Independent School District, which implemented a new dress policy at Columbia High School this summer.

The district calls its new policy a "standardized dress code," which they legally can implement without school board approval and requires no funding for students who can't afford to buy new clothes.

But parents say the new requirements — solid maroon,

white, blue or gray collared shirts and khaki or blue pants or knee-length skirts — smack of a uniform, which by law requires board approval and money for indigent students.

Joe Silvas, a Clute attorney representing the parents, declined to discuss the lawsuit publicly.

The district's lawyer, Merri Schneider-Vogel, said she's prepared to defend the Columbia High School code.

"The school district maintains that the high school adopted a standardized dress code not a uniform, then it did not need to comply with Section 11.162 of the Texas Education Code," Ms. Schneider-Vogel told The Facts, a daily newspaper in Brazoria County.

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Flies beleaguer California town

Over \$500 million may be lost forever by the California community of Fontana because of "flies in the sky."

Construction projects worth several hundred million have been stopped in this Southern California community until it can be determined how many of this endangered species exist in the area and how best to protect them.

The powers of the Internal Revenue Service may have been lessened in recent years, but that power has apparently been transferred to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has halted construction projects worth hundreds of millions in Southern California to protect this endangered species — flies. Yes, a group of flies. The creatures are orange-brown and about the size of a straight pin.

Through the years the federal government has made some fairly outrageous decisions, but the "fly issue" in Southern California is one of the most obtuse.

Several small California cities are in danger of losing \$300-\$500 million in commercial projects because the construction projects have



Nancy Young

managing editor

been stopped by the U. S. government and developers are looking elsewhere.

With the fly's habitat disappearing, its numbers are down to only several thousand insects.

The Delhi Sand dunes, which stretch from San Bernardino to Riverside to Ontario, about 60 miles from Los Angeles, are the supposed breeding grounds for this "endangered species." The system is alleged to be the largest remaining sand dune system in the Los Angeles basin. Because the fly's habitat is disappearing, its numbers are down to a mere several thousand, say the fish and wildlife people. This species was designated endangered in

1993 by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

In Fontana, a developer's vision of a \$500 million project is gone. It would have included single-family homes, shopping centers and strip malls. Colton had wanted to build a manufacturing plant.

Developers claim approximately \$42 million in bonds will go into default in October because Fontana land owners who are unable to develop their land will not be able to pay taxes.

Colton has \$11 million in debt tied up in an idle electrical substation which was built to supply power to the proposed commercial developments.

In 1995 the discovery of eight flies near the Arrowhead Regional Medical Center cost San Bernardino County \$4 million to move the then-proposed hospital several hundred feet.

The government and the communities which want to build are trying to agree on property to designate as a protected habitat for the flies.

Last year the federal government was trying to protect the rattle snakes. I wonder what further steps taxpayer money will be spent to protect "endangered species."

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 26, the 238th day of 1998. There are 127 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 26, 1920, the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, guaranteeing American women the right to vote, was declared in effect.

On this date:
 In 55 B.C., Roman forces under Julius Caesar invaded Britain.

In 1847, Liberia was proclaimed an independent republic.

In 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa began erupting with increasingly large explosions.

In 1939, the first televised major league baseball games were shown on experimental station W2XBS, a double-header between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field. The Reds won first, 5-2; the Dodgers, second, 6-1.

In 1957, the Soviet Union announced it had successfully tested an intercontinental ballistic missile.



Inside the Beltway

with

Rep. Mac Thornberry

Cutting capital gains tax would benefit economy

Not too long ago, the stock market was something most of us heard about in the news, but had very little dealing with day in and day out.

Things have changed quite a bit in recent years. Today, approximately 84 million Americans own some type of financial interest in the stock market. This is an increase of nearly 170 percent since 1970. It's also one of the reasons why cutting the capital gains tax is so important.

The capital gains tax is nothing more than a tax on people who take a risk. Whether it's investing your money in a company just trying to get off the ground or putting part of your savings into a mutual fund to send your child off to school, capital gains is a measure of a person's desire to get ahead, and it's something the government should encourage, not tax.

Congress recently passed a bill that took a step in the right direction by cutting the capital gains tax on individual investors. Under this bill, the individual capital gains tax rate will be reduced from 10 percent to eight percent for taxpayers in the 15 percent income tax bracket, and from 20 percent to 18 percent for all others.

Over half of those who pay capital gains taxes make less than \$50,000 dollars a year. But it's not just working Americans who will benefit from cutting the capital gains tax. The economy as a whole will also stand to win. According to a 1997 report by the Joint Economic Committee, cutting the capital gains tax will increase the Gross Domestic Product by \$51 billion a year and create 500,000 new jobs.

It also stays true to the entrepreneurial spirit of risk and reward which fuels our economy, and helped make America the great country it is today.

Texas Editorials

The Dallas Morning News on protectionism:

Petitioning Washington to raise tariffs on particular imports on the grounds that countries are "dumping" those imports in the U.S. market is often the last refuge of uncompetitive domestic industries.

Dumping refers to the practice of selling goods at below the cost of production, sometimes with the aim of driving foreign competitors out of business and establishing a global monopoly.

Dumping isn't always a figment of a weak domestic industry's imagination. However, more often than not, U.S. industries that cry "dumping" are looking for a way to avoid making difficult adjustments that would enable them to compete more effectively.

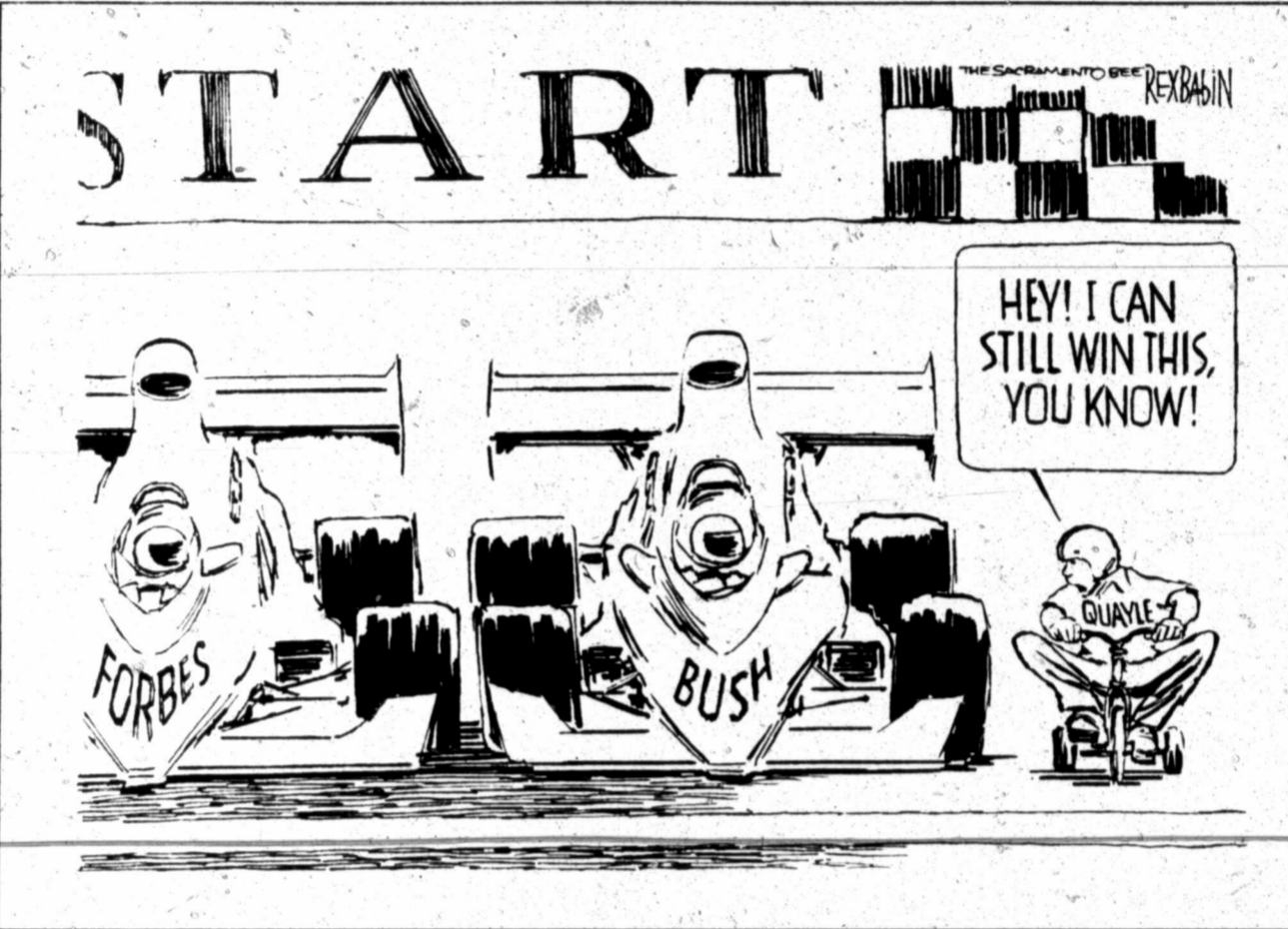
Unfortunately, anti-dumping suits usually succeed, regardless of a case's merits. That's because the legal threshold for proving dumping is low. Often, the complaining industry and the defending country "settle out of court," they agree to set a "floor price," which is tantamount to legalized price fixing.

Consider these figures: Since 1980, the U.S. Commerce Department has rejected only 3 percent of anti-dumping petitions; the International Trade Commission has upheld more than 80 percent. Resulting tariff increases are passed to them through higher prices or enforced scarcity.

There's a better way for struggling industries to seek relief from imports: the "safeguard" provision of U.S. trade law that provides for tariff increases whenever import surges seriously threaten a domestic industry. President Clinton recently used it to protect U.S. lamb producers against import surges from Australia.

The beauty of the safeguard is that it is consistent with world trade rules; provides temporary (rather than outrageously long-term) protection; gives the president discretion to consider the impact on consumers; establishes a higher and more reasonable threshold for demonstrating injury; and obviates the need to make inflammatory accusations of unfair trade practices.

Congress should make it harder for industries to bring anti-dumping suits and easier for them to use the safeguard. Lowering the threshold for import-surge protection would help. However, Congress should not set it so low as to encourage protectionism. And it should forbid companies that seek import-surge protection from also filing anti-dumping suits.



Hour of decision in South America

A war for control of northern South America and the Panama Canal is under way. It has been for a long while. It intensified through the early and mid-1990s.

Trouble is, the Clinton administration paid scant attention, focused as it has been on the Balkans, Russia, China and the Middle East and the American people, kept in the dark about the brewing big trouble in our own hemisphere, have given it even less notice.

Now the war is escalating to yet another high level of danger. So, suddenly, President Clinton is forced into difficult, dangerous decisions, with potentially far-reaching consequences:

How much further involved to get? Exactly how, and with whom?

Colombia is the central battlefield, but the fight is spreading to the east to Venezuela, one of the principal suppliers of foreign oil to the United States. And on into Ecuador to the west, and to Peru and Brazil on Colombia's southern borders. Also to the north, into Panama.

Keep in mind that the United States is to finally, officially hand over the Panama Canal to the shaky Panamanian government in a few months. Southern Panama, just below the canal, has been so overrun by a group of drug lords connected to Colombian revolutionary forces that fearful Panamanian leaders no longer send troops into the area.

An old Marxist-style revolutionary movement has been active inside Colombia for about 40 years. At one time, it was supported by the Soviet Union and Cuba. But through the



Dan Rather

Syndicated columnist

1960s, 70s and '80s, it remained small and mostly ineffective.

With the breakup of the Soviet empire, Colombia's revolutionaries were further weakened. Then, by the early 1990s, they got a break. A determined Bush administration campaign to wreck the urban drug cartels centered in Medellin and Cali splintered the power of drug thugs. This drove the power bases of the narcotics trade into the countryside. And into the arms of the old revolutionaries.

By protecting and taxing drug operations in the remote areas they controlled, the self-styled "agrarian reform" political armies hit the jackpot. Their coffers began to be filled with drug money.

From bases such as this one, at Marakita in the heart of the Magdalena River Valley, Colombia's remarkably uncorrupted national police force continues to be effective against some individual cocaine and heroin operations. But the force is undermanned and outgunned, with too few helicopters and too few well-

trained fighters. And it can do little about the best of the now-combined guerrilla and drug armed forces. Meanwhile, Colombia's military is demonstrating anew how ineffective it is.

There are no easy choices for the United States in this increasingly dangerous and exceptionally complicated dilemma. But choices must be made. And now is the hour of decision.

The Colombians neither want nor need an infusion of large U.S. combat forces. They are begging for more equipment, more training, more intelligence-gathering help and more money — both immediate cash and long-term help in rebuilding and restructuring their economy.

A year ago, Colombia elected a new president, Andres Pastrana. The Clinton administration liked him from the start, but worried about his government's ties to right-wing paramilitary groups, which are heavily into the drug business and which have a long record of civil rights abuses. So, Washington hesitated to resume the kind of support it had given in the early '90s.

Now, as ideological revolutionaries and drug outfits in Colombia mushroom with power and make bolder moves into neighboring countries, the United States is beginning to consider a major change in policy. Because destabilization of the region could present a clear and present danger to U.S. security.

Like it or not, choices must be made. This is the hour of decision.

Gradual improvements often important

I wouldn't get too optimistic about the prospects for peace in the Middle East. Think about settlers and refugees. Think of them as anchors.

Assuming the best intentions in the world on the part of both Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, both men are limited in the deals they can cut due to their respective anchors.

Barak cannot cut any deal that involves dismantling Jewish settlements in the West Bank or even isolating them. The settlers, now in excess of 130,000, have too much clout. If Barak tried, he'd just see his government topple over.

Arafat cannot cut any deal which at least overtly abandons the refugees, those Palestinians whose homes and businesses were once inside what is now Israel within its pre-1967 borders. These refugees are now in camps both inside the West Bank and Gaza, and in Jordan, Lebanon and Syria, or they are scattered around the world.

Barak, in fact, has already said there will be no return of refugees. The brutal truth is there is nowhere for them to return, since in most cases, their villages have been obliterated and replaced by Jewish housing, towns, cities, parks, etc.

On the other hand, as the diplomats say, it will be difficult, if not impossible, to create a viable Palestinian state if all the Jewish settlements remain, since the effect is to make the



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

Palestinian areas more or less resemble Swiss cheese — the holes, not the cheese part.

It might be more realistic to understand that what the two leaders may do is reach a truce, a temporary agreement which tacitly leaves other issues unresolved. An imperfect and temporary peace if you are addicted to that much abused word, "peace." Don't laugh. This happens all the time. Opposing armies on the Korean peninsula have faced each other over a cease-fire line since the 1950s. The main issue — unification of Korea — remains unresolved and has not even been seriously discussed most years. The upside is that, in nearly 50 years, there hasn't been a war.

In the world of diplomacy, incremental improvements count, since major substantive changes are few and far between. Incremental improvements that buy time by avoiding direct conflict are very important. The world, so far,

has avoided a nuclear war precisely because the United States and the Soviet Union, when it still existed, opted to settle for incremental gains and losses rather than go for a decisive, all-or-nothing change.

I said for the sake of argument we'd assume good intentions on both parts, but, in fact, both sides wish the other didn't exist. Good intentions aren't even necessary. The only thing necessary is realism, and both of these men, Barak and Arafat, are realists. They will haggle hard and compromise only enough to avoid a worst-case alternative scenario.

Well, that's OK. Well-intentioned idealists often end up getting lots of people killed.

America's role is to be patient. Putting deadlines on the process isn't going to accomplish anything. Circumstances will set the deadlines.

Congress and presidential candidates in particular ought to refrain from the habitual shameless catering to the Israeli lobby by trying to decree an outcome of the negotiations. It's a good time for American politicians to keep their mouths shut. Nobody has to worry that Israel is going to give away the store. The poor Palestinians have no power. And the Israeli lobby already knows how willing American politicians are to grovel before it.

Give Barak and Arafat a chance to cut whatever deal they can. Time between killing is always good time. So let them haggle.

Xi Beta Chi



Xi Beta Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi installed the following officers for the 1999-00 club year: (left-right) Sue Garner, vice president; Linda Duncan, president, Jo Karbo, corresponding secretary; Dianne Miller, city council representative; Teri Cree, recording secretary.

(Special photo)

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LAMAR

Lamar served two terms as president of the Republic of Texas. He was responsible for setting aside lands for schools in Texas which have generated a total of \$2.92 billion in oil and gas royalties, bonuses and rental for deposit to the PUF.

During his youth, Lamar liked fencing, horseback riding and oil painting.

Warner is working with the students to apply their learning to their everyday life. She and the staff are also working with the students to upgrade their TAAS test scores.

Lamar school students recently received rankings of TAAS tests of students during the 1997-1998 school year which showed them in a low percentile in math studies based on African-American students in third and fifth grade math classes.

Warner said tests are divided into each ethnic group's performance on the tests. The test results are formulated by numbers in each group, and can be changed significantly by one student's performance in smaller groups. While African-American ethnic group is the smallest ethnic group in the Pampa community, the majority of African-

Americans in the community elementary schools attend Lamar.

She said the students who were in the third and fifth grade at the time of the testing did not pass the test, but the fourth graders did.

Lamar school staff is working very hard to bring the students up to the highest level of exemplary on the TAAS. She said the main problem the students seem to be experiencing on the tests are estimating and problem solving skills. The Lamar staff is analyzing each individual child and teaching to those children's needs. Some students need more assistance in visual skills while others need additional verbal skills.

"The teachers are working very hard to work with our students. All grade levels are working on raising the scores," she said. "Some of our students speak more than one language, and that can affect the outcome. Some learners must go farther.

"In today's world there is more for children to learn. We are trying to demonstrate principles and develop concrete examples," said Warner. "If there are any people in the community who would like to assist by providing inspiration or example, please contact me. We are going to bring these scores up."

Genes, low calorie diet linked to aging process

WASHINGTON (AP) — A low-calorie diet slows the aging process in laboratory mice by protecting key genes that normally deteriorate as the animal grows older, researchers say.

Researchers at the University of Wisconsin said an analysis of more than 6,000 genes in the muscles of mice that were fed a calorie-restricted diet showed that genes linked to aging remained active and intact long after they usually decline in mice fed a normal diet.

Tomas A. Prolla and Richard Weindruch, both of the University of Wisconsin, Madison, said the study provides a genetic explanation of why a reduced-calorie diet can cause mice to live up to 50 percent longer than mice fed a regular diet.

A report on the study will appear Friday in the journal Science.

Weindruch said the research could lead to drugs that would help slow the aging process in humans, although there have been no definitive studies proving that a reduced-calorie diet in humans will extend life.

In the laboratory study, the researchers fed one group of mice a regular diet while restricting by 24 percent the calories in the food fed to another group of mice. The diets all contained healthy levels of vitamins, minerals and proteins. Only the calories were reduced.

After 30 months, muscles were taken from the animals and the activity of 6,347 genes was analyzed.

The researchers found that more than 100 genes either increased or decreased their activity with age. For mice fed the restricted diet, about 84 percent of the genetic alterations associated with aging were completely or partially suppressed.

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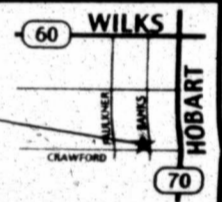
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Chautauqua



(Special photo)

Chautauqua '98 MC's Mike Sublett, left, and Wanetta Hill, right, introduce AFS exchange students and hosts during last year's celebration. The AFS students man a nacho booth each Chautauqua to help with expenses incurred throughout the year — most have never tasted nachos prior to coming to the states.

Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau to hold 38th Annual County Convention

Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau will hold its 38th Annual County Convention at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 26, at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. The keynote speaker will be Vernie R. Glasson, executive director of Texas Farm Bureau.

Glasson will discuss the present nature of Farm Bureau and its role into the millennium. Jill Hefley, daughter of James Hefley, Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau president, will sing, and the Shriners will serve barbecue. All

proceeds will benefit the Shriners organization. Special guests will talk about various programs offered by the Farm Bureau including: Volunteer Fireman School participant Richard Harkcom; Texas Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar participants Michalla Mechler and Terra Hembree, both of Pampa, and Amy Spearman of Miami; and scholarship recipients Truman Lowrance and Gwendolynn Nolte.

Door prizes donated by local businesses will be given away.

A business session will be held at the conclusion of the meeting for Farm Bureau members. President Hefley will receive written suggestions for any local, state and national resolutions at that time. Members are asked to draft the suggestions prior to turning them in at the meeting. In addition, members will vote and elect four new directors to serve on the board of directors.

For more information or to make reservations, call (806) 665-8451 by Aug. 26. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District by 57.64 percent on August 26, 1999.

The BOARD OF DIRECTORS is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on **SEPTEMBER 1, 1999, at 7:30 PM** at **201 W. 3rd ST. WHITE DEER, TEXAS**

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Calendar of events

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Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. For more information, call 665-2331.

THEE PLACE
Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP
If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

EMMAUS REUNION
Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information, call 669-3426 or 669-9226.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Open Door — Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER
Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

RED CROSS
The Red Cross is offering free blood sugar and blood pressure testing every Friday from 10 a.m. - noon at Red Cross Office, 108 N. Russell.

LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Lovett Memorial Library will offer the Fall 1999 Pre-School Story Hour beginning at 10 a.m. every Tuesday from Sept. 7-Dec. 14. All children between 18 months and 5 years of age are

welcome to participate. Stories, crafts and activities are planned. Special programs will be announced. All programs are free and no registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

CLARENDON COLLEGE
Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer a continuing education computer course for beginning computer users from 1-3 p.m., Sept. 13-29. In addition, CC-Pampa Center will offer Internet I during October and Excel during November. To register or for more information, call Pampa Center at (806) 665-8801.

QUILT GUILD
Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will hold its regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 26 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. For more information, call (806) 779-2115 or (806) 665-8062. Visitors are welcome.

PAS DANCE
Pampa Area Singles will hold a potluck dinner and dance Aug. 28 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and the dance will be from 8-11 p.m. Entertainment will be by Dee O'Kelley (Karoake Kountry). Cost is \$5 per person. The event will be alcohol and smoke free.

MEMORY WALK
Alzheimer's Association of the Texas Panhandle will hold "Memory Walk '99" Saturday, Sept. 25 at Sam Houston Park, Line Avenue and Western in Amarillo. Registration/check-in will begin at 9 a.m. and the main event will start at 10 a.m. Walkers of all ages are encouraged to participate, individually or in groups. The walk is baby stroller and wheelchair accessible and pets are welcome.

For more information or for a registration brochure, call the Panhandle Chapter at (806) 372-8693 or outside Amarillo at 1-800-687-8693.

USS LONG BEACH REUNION
USS Long Beach Reunion Association will hold its 1999 reunion Sept. 15-19 at Pensacola, Fla. Participants will be staying at the Holiday Inn Bay Beach, 51 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, FL 32561-9990. For reservations, call (850) 932-2214. For more information, contact Don Shade at P.O. Box 69, Clymer, NY 14724-0069, (716) 569-2314, or e-mail LBCGN9@aol.com.

FIFTH ARMY ASSOCIATION
The 5th Army Association is seeking 5th Army veterans of the 1943-45 Italian Campaign. The veterans will be returning to Italy Aug. 12-23 to celebrate the 54th anniversary of the Allied drive northwards from Rome to Venice. Veterans of the 3rd, 34th, 36th, 85th, 88th, 91st, 92nd, 45th Mt., and 1st Armored Divisions and support groups are urged to contact Sy Canton for reunion tour information. For more information, write: The 5th Army Assoc., 465 Shore Rd. Ste. 7-P, Long Beach, N.Y. 11561; or call (516) 432-3022.

WOMEN'S RETREAT
First Baptist Church Women's Retreat "Intimacy with God" will be Sept. 24-26 at New Beginnings Retreat Center in Channing with retreat leader Lorraine M. Pintus. Accommodation will include two per room, meals, snacks, crafts and transportation to the retreat. Total cost is \$87 due Sept. 17. A fee of \$25 will secure a spot. For more information, call (806) 669-1155.

Meredith House



(Special photo) Meredith House tenant Leoria Kimbley holds "Baby," the newest member of Meredith House.

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SPORTS

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FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Tiger League football signups are scheduled this weekend at the Optimist Club.

Signup times are from 6 to 8 on Friday and from 2 to 4 on Saturday and Sunday. Signup fee is \$55.

The league will be divided into two divisions: third-fourth grade; fifth-sixth grade.

Tiger League Commissioner David Hutto can be contacted at 665-3017 if more information is needed.

DALLAS (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboys coach Tom Landry, who is suffering from leukemia, says he came through chemotherapy amazingly well and looks forward to getting his golf game back in shape.

Landry told The Dallas Morning News for Wednesday editions that the treatment "didn't bother me over-much."

"If the Good Lord wanted to take me, it was OK with me," he said. "I'd just go ahead with chemotherapy. Amazing how well that went. I didn't have a very difficult time at all."

The Morning News reported that a test at Baylor University Medical Center on Tuesday indicated the disease had at least been brought to the stage of temporary remission. Landry will repeat the treatment next month.

BASEBALL

SEATTLE (AP) — Ken Griffey Jr. hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning and John Halama pitched eight strong innings to give the Seattle Mariners a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Tigers on Wednesday night.

Halama (10-5) gave up two runs and eight hits, with no walks and four strikeouts, to snap a personal three-game losing streak.

In the eighth, Brian Hunter got aboard with a one-out bunt single and Rafael Bourimigal singled him to third before Griffey delivered the sacrifice fly to deep center.

The Tigers had a runner on second with one out in the ninth, but Jose Mesa struck out the final two batters for his 29th save in 33 chances as the Mariners won their third straight.

Brian Moehler (8-14) gave up three runs and seven hits in 7-1/3 innings.

BASKETBALL

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Los Angeles Sparks coach Orlando Woolridge considers Van Chancellor, his Houston Comets counterpart, a mentor.

In fact, when he first joined the Sparks, Woolridge said he used to sneak looks at Chancellor's game tapes to pick up pointers.

This week, Woolridge will try to eliminate Chancellor's Comets from the Women's National Basketball Association playoffs — a challenge no coach has completed.

The Comets have won the team's only two championships.

The league's two best teams will play Game One of the best-of-three Western Conference finals tonight at the Forum.

The Comets will be playing under the shadow of their teammate's death. Starting point guard Kim Perrot died of cancer on Aug. 19. Her funeral was Tuesday.

Chancellor said his team is "not good, but better" emotionally.

"We're slowly coming back," he said.

"It's hard to focus on basketball when you've just buried your best friend," said Cynthia Cooper before Wednesday's practice at the Forum. "That's the reality."

"But since we're professional athletes, it is our job to concentrate and focus on basketball, and that's what we're going to try to do to the best of our ability."

Rangers win over Yankees

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers manager Johnny Oates has always insisted that beating the New York Yankees isn't more important than beating anyone else.

But after the Rangers lost eight of 11 games against the Yankees this season, even Oates admitted that he was savoring Wednesday night's 7-3 victory a little more than usual.

"It had gotten frustrating," Oates said. "We knew we could beat these guys, but it just wasn't happening. Hopefully, this will erase some of that."

Texas has lost six of seven playoff games to the Yankees the last three years, and the two division leaders could play again this postseason.

And even though the end of the season is still over a month away, the playoff-like atmosphere was evident throughout the three-game series.

"There's no doubt it was a big win for them because you don't want to get swept at home," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "They are a team that is going to keep coming after you."

Esteban Loaiza overcame a shaky start to pitch seven strong innings for the Rangers, winning his seventh straight decision.

Loaiza (7-1), who hasn't lost since being inserted into the starting rotation after the All-Star break, gave up three runs in his first three innings, but gradually regained his command and needed just 24 pitches to get through the fifth, sixth and seventh innings.

Loaiza allowed three runs and eight hits, struck out five and walked two.

"I feel a lot of confidence in myself," Loaiza said. "I'm starting to throw the ball where I'm supposed to."

Rafael Palmeiro continued his torrid pace for the Rangers, hitting his ninth homer in as many games in the sixth inning. Palmeiro was 11-for-24 during Texas' six-game homestand, with six homers and 13 RBIs.

"Playing the Yankees is fun," Palmeiro said. "You get up to play these kinds of games. Fortunately, we were able to win one of them."

Hideki Irabu (10-5), who had his career-high eight-game winning streak snapped two starts ago, gave up six runs and 10 hits in five-plus innings.

Trailing by three runs, Texas took a 4-3 lead in the third when Mark McLemore, Ivan Rodriguez and Rusty Greer hit consecutive one-out RBI singles and Juan Gonzalez added a sacrifice fly.

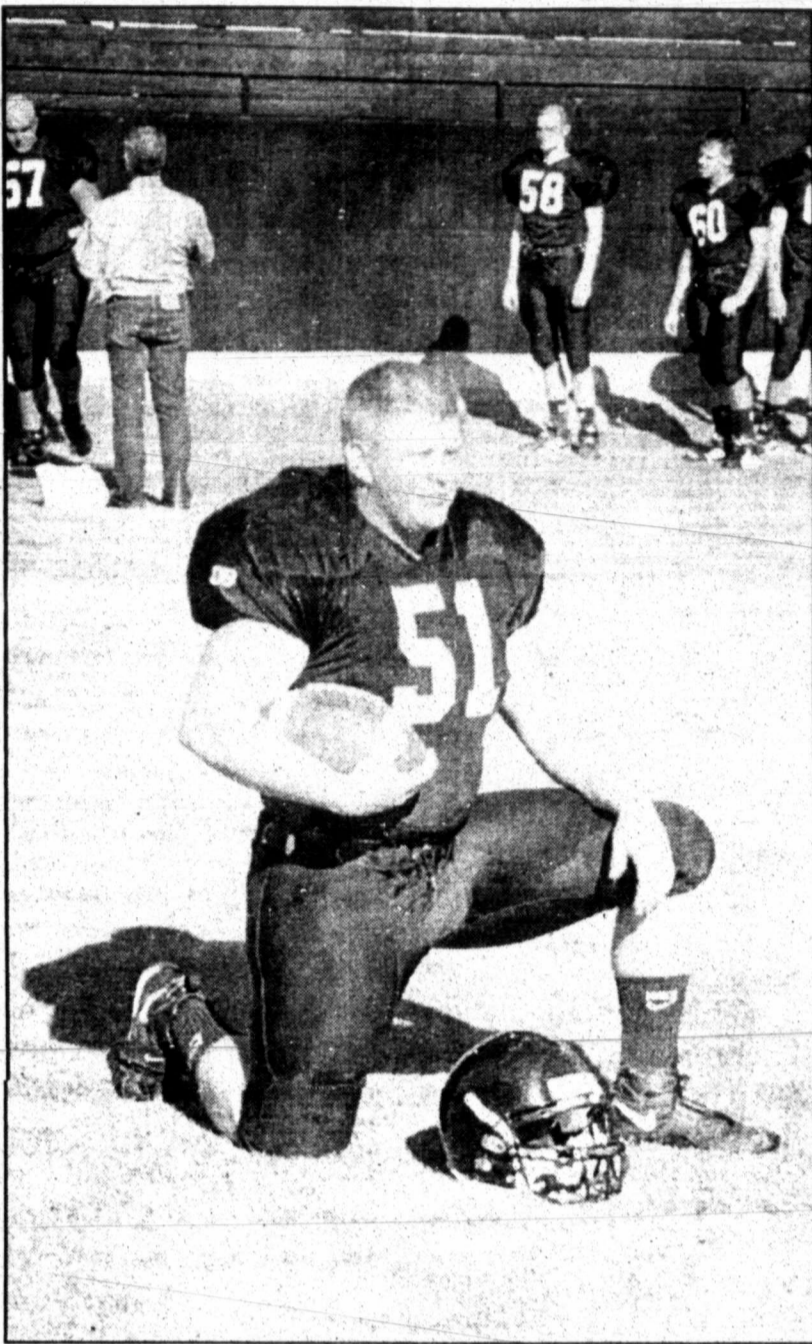
Irabu was chased in the sixth by Palmeiro's 39th homer and consecutive singles by Todd Zeile and Lee Stevens, who drove in Zeile. McLemore added an RBI single off Jeff Nelson in the eighth.

"I threw a lot of balls up," Irabu said through an interpreter. "My pitching balance was off, which happens sometimes during games."

Jeff Zimmerman and John Wetteland each pitched a scoreless inning to close out the victory.

New York took an early lead for the third consecutive night. Paul O'Neill hit an RBI single and Bernie Williams had a run-scoring double-play grounder to put the Yankees ahead 2-0 in the first, and Tino Martinez hit a solo homer in the third.

Notes: The loss was New York's 49th, one more than last season's record-setting pace. ... Ricky Ledee was scratched from the Yankees' starting lineup with the flu. ... Martinez's homer was his third in as many games and sixth against the Rangers this season, tying Kansas City's John Mayberry's 1975 mark for the most in one year against Texas. ... Palmeiro's homer was his 24th in Arlington this year, tying Gonzalez's home record set in 1993. ... Gonzalez's sacrifice fly was his major league-leading 12th of the season, tying a team record shared by Jeff Burroughs (1974) and Ruben Sierra (1989). ... The Rangers have 47 homers in August, tying the team record for a month.



All-state offensive lineman Ben Dollar returns for top-ranked Wheeler.

Wheeler is No. 1

WHEELER — Wheeler enters the 1999 football season as the No. 1 ranked Class A team in both the Associated Press and Texas High School Football Coaches Association polls.

"I hope it's not the kiss of death. However, we will accept the challenge," said Wheeler head coach Jim Verden. "This is what the kids have been working for, the recognition."

Wheeler has been to the state championship finals the last two years, losing to Tenaha last year and Granger in 1997. Wheeler won state titles in 1987, 1979 and 1977.

The Mustangs return a potent running combination in Casey Childress and Caleb Finsterwald. They combined for over 2,600 rushing yards in 1998. Up front, all-state offensive linemen Ben Dollar will be opening holes for the two backs.

Midland Lee, which beat SA MacArthur 54-0 in last year's Class 5A Division Two finals, is picked to win it all again by Associated Press pollsters, which is made up of writers and broadcasters across the state.

AP has Stephenville No. 1 in Class 4A, Sealy No. 1 in Class 3A, and Omaha Paul-Pewitt in Class 2A. Stephenville and Paul-Pewitt both won state titles a year ago.

Top 10 Schedule

DALLAS (AP) — Games involving the top 10 teams in this week's Associated Press high school football poll:

- Class 5A
- 1. Midland Lee (15-1) is idle.

- 2. Duncanville (12-3) is idle.
- 3. Converse Judson (14-1) vs. No. 9 Katy at the Alamodome, San Antonio, 7:15 p.m., Saturday
- 4. Lewisville (8-3) is idle.
- 5. Austin Westlake (10-3) vs. Humble at the Alamodome, San Antonio, 3:15 p.m., Saturday
- 6. Coppas Cove (10-3) is idle.
- 7. South Grand Prairie (8-3) is idle.
- 8. Aldine Eisenhower (10-4) is idle.
- 9. Katy (12-3) vs. No. 3 Converse Judson at the Alamodome, San Antonio, 7:15 p.m., Saturday
- 10. SA MacArthur (11-5) is idle.

- Class 4A
- 1. Stephenville (15-1) at Weatherford, 7:30 p.m.
- 2. La Marque (13-1) is idle.
- 3. Jacksonville (8-4) vs. Sulphur Springs, 7:30 p.m.
- 4. Texas City (5-5) is idle.
- 5. Grapevine (11-4) is idle.
- 6. Greenville (11-2) is idle.
- 7. New Braunfels Canyon (10-4)
- 8. Brownwood (10-2) vs. San Angelo Central, 7:30 p.m.
- 9. Bay City (13-2) is idle.
- 10. Plainview (11-3) vs. Big Spring at Jones Stadium, Lubbock, 7:30 p.m.

- Class 3A
- 1. Sealy (7-3) is idle.
- 2. Cuero (11-4) is idle.
- 3. Aledo (13-1) at South Fork, Fla., 5 p.m.
- 4. Royse City (12-2) is idle.
- 5. Monahans (7-7) vs. Snyder, 7:30 p.m.
- 6. Breckenridge (12-1) is idle.
- 7. Atlanta (9-3) is idle.
- 8. Manor (9-5) is idle.
- 9. Cleveland (9-2) is idle.
- 10. Iowa Park (9-4) vs. Holliday, 7:30 p.m.

- Class 2A
- 1. Omaha Paul-Pewitt (12-3) is idle.
- 2. Mart (13-1) is idle.
- 3. Elysian-Fields (12-4) is idle.
- 4. Celina (14-2) vs. Lindsay at Fouts Field, Denton, 7:30 p.m., Thursday
- 5. Iraan (11-1) is idle.
- 6. Brookshire-Royal (12-2) is idle.
- 7. Grand Saline (11-2) is idle.
- 8. Refugio (10-2) at Aransas Pass, 7:30 p.m.
- 9. Boyd (11-2) vs. Henrietta, 7:30 p.m.
- 10. Alto (9-2) is idle.

- Class 1A
- 1. Wheeler (12-3) is idle.
- 2. Bartlett (12-2) is idle.
- 3. Aspermont (14-1) is idle.
- 4. Detroit (11-2) is idle.
- 5. Dawson (9-3) is idle.
- 6. Tenaha (16-0) is idle.
- 7. Baird (8-4) is idle.
- 8. Iola (5-9) is idle.
- 9. Paducah (9-4) is idle.
- 10. Sudan (9-3) is idle.

Rogers overcomes back trouble to blank Astros

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Mets didn't know what to expect from Kenny Rogers and his aching back. He delivered what they needed.

Rogers pitched 8 1-3 scoreless innings and Robin Ventura hit a go-ahead, two-run single in the sixth inning to lead the New York Mets over the Houston Astros 4-0 Wednesday night.

Rogers (3-0) struck out five and walked two to win his 17th consecutive decision at home. Dennis Cook finished for his third save.

"Kenny was absolutely fabulous," manager Bobby Valentine said. "He threw three pitches for strikes, got groundballs and got us deep into the game."

Rogers, who left his previous start after three innings with a stiff back, had trouble staying loose again. He went into the clubhouse before the fifth inning to get his back worked on by trainers.

But he has been able to get into the ninth inning for the second time in three starts.

"It didn't bother me at all, not nearly like it did the other day," Rogers said. "It was nice to go out there and be able to pitch with it. If it takes a bad back, I'll have it every time to have that type of sinker."

Rogers' streak dates to June 28, 1997, and is the longest since Frank Viola won 19 straight at Minnesota in 1987-88. Rogers' streak spans three teams — the

Yankees, Oakland Athletics and Mets.

The Mets, who won for the 11th time in 15 games, remained 1 1/2 games behind Atlanta in the NL East but increased their lead to 3 1/2 games over Cincinnati in the wild-card race.

Houston's NL Central lead over the Reds remained at 1 1/2 games after losing two of three to the Mets.

"This is the worst hitting

slump we've had all year," said Astros manager Larry Dierker, whose team scored seven runs in the series. "He had us lunging at balls and swinging at bad pitches all night. That's the sign of a good pitcher."

Each team had only one runner through four innings as Shane Reynolds (14-10) and Rogers were in complete control. Both teams put two runners on in the fifth before the Mets broke

through with four runs in the sixth. Rickey Henderson led off with a single, but Reynolds retired the next two batters.

Mike Piazza then doubled Henderson to third on a first-pitch slider as the Mets put together five straight hits — four on the first pitch. Ventura followed with a line-drive single off a 1-1 pitch to make it 2-0 and draw chants of "M-V-PI!" from the crowd.

Major League Standings

| National League | | | | | American League | | | | |
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| East Division | | | | | East Division | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct. | GB | | W | L | Pct. | GB |
| Atlanta | 90 | 49 | .620 | — | Philadelphia | 77 | 49 | .611 | — |
| New York | 78 | 50 | .609 | 1 1/2 | Chicago | 61 | 65 | .484 | 16 |
| Philadelphia | 67 | 59 | .532 | 11 1/2 | Minnesota | 52 | 73 | .416 | 24 1/2 |
| Montreal | 53 | 73 | .421 | 25 1/2 | Seattle | 63 | 63 | .500 | 12 |
| Florida | 50 | 75 | .400 | 28 | Detroit | 49 | 77 | .389 | 28 |
| Central Division | | | | | West Division | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct. | GB | | W | L | Pct. | GB |
| Houston | 76 | 52 | .594 | — | Texas | 76 | 52 | .594 | — |
| Cincinnati | 73 | 52 | .584 | 1 1/2 | Oakland | 69 | 58 | .543 | 6 1/2 |
| St. Louis | 63 | 65 | .492 | 13 | Seattle | 63 | 63 | .500 | 12 |
| Pittsburgh | 62 | 65 | .488 | 13 1/2 | Anaheim | 51 | 75 | .405 | 24 |
| Milwaukee | 56 | 69 | .448 | 18 1/2 | Cleveland | 42 | 84 | .333 | 30 |
| Chicago | 52 | 73 | .416 | 22 1/2 | Chicago | 39 | 81 | .321 | 33 |
| West Division | | | | | Thursday's Games | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct. | GB | | W | L | Pct. | GB |
| Arizona | 75 | 52 | .591 | — | Chicago (Trachsel 4-15) at Los Angeles (Valdez 8-11), 10:10 p.m. | | | | |
| San Francisco | 67 | 59 | .532 | 7 1/2 | Pittsburgh (Schmidt 10-9) at San Francisco (Nathan 4-2), 10:35 p.m. | | | | |
| Los Angeles | 58 | 69 | .457 | 17 | Only games scheduled | | | | |
| Colorado | 57 | 71 | .445 | 18 1/2 | Friday's Games | | | | |
| San Diego | 56 | 71 | .441 | 19 | Anaheim (Washburn 0-2) at Boston (Mercker 0-0), 7:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Wednesday's Games | | | | | Texas (Helling 10-7) at Toronto (Carpenter 9-7), 7:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Atlanta 5, Cincinnati 2 | Tampa Bay (Arroyo 4-8) at Cleveland (Burba 10-7), 7:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | |
| Milwaukee 9, Los Angeles 7 | Baltimore (Mussina 15-7) at Detroit (Weaver 7-9), 7:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | |
| San Francisco 11, Chicago 4, 1st game | Only games scheduled | | | | | | | | |
| San Francisco 6, Chicago 5, 2nd game | Friday's Games | | | | | | | | |
| Montreal 4, St. Louis 1 | Anaheim (Washburn 0-2) at Boston (Mercker 0-0), 7:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh 9, Colorado 3 | Texas (Helling 10-7) at Toronto (Carpenter 9-7), 7:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | |
| Arizona 7, Florida 2 | Tampa Bay (Arroyo 4-8) at Cleveland (Burba 10-7), 7:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | |
| New York 4, Houston 0 | Chicago (Snyder 9-8) at Tampa Bay (Eiland 4-7), 12:35 p.m. | | | | | | | | |
| Thursday's Games | Baltimore (Mussina 15-7) at Detroit (Weaver 7-9), 7:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | |
| Arizona (R.Johnson 13-8) at Florida | Only games scheduled | | | | | | | | |
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| New York | 77 | 49 | .611 | — | Baltimore (Mussina 15-7) at Detroit (Weaver 7-9), 7:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Boston | 69 | 58 | .543 | 8 1/2 | Only games scheduled | | | | |
| Toronto | 69 | 60 | .535 | 9 1/2 | Friday's Games | | | | |

Pampa Country Club hosts Pro-Am Golf Tournament

PAMPA — The Pampa Country Club Car Pro-Am was held Wednesday with Emil Hale and J.D. Dickerson tying for low pro honors, each with a 69.

Pampa Country Club Club Car Pro-Am

Low pro: 1. (tie) Emil Hale, Palo Duro Creek CC, 69; J.D. Dickerson, 69 Plainview Country Club; 3. Dell Wood, 70, Amarillo Country Club; 4. John Horne, 70, Huber Country Club; 5. Tim Schiffelbren, 71, Perryton Golf Course.

Low team: 1. Noble Watson (pro), Jimmy Blackenridge, Gene Hall and Kelly Everson; 2. (tie) Richard Hale (pro), Bill Clemmons, Joe Donaldson and Chuck White; Mickey Piersall (pro), Bill Simon, Butch Buck and Gene Jones; Val Howard (pro), David

Blevin, Dr. Grady Stowe and Roy Don Stephens; 5. Emil Hale (pro), Travis Taylor, Joyce Swope and Champ Davis.

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Remember the Alamo!

Special Guest Writer
Rick Pierce

Remember the Alamo! Remember Goliad! These two sentences which are appropriately punctuated with exclamation points were employed with a devastating mental effect against the Santanistas at the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, 1836. But what did they mean on that muddy, bloody Thursday of long ago? What do they mean now? Do we really understand and do we really remember?

In his official report of the battle of San Jacinto, General Sam Houston gave Sidney Sherman credit for being the first to shout the terrible war cry: "Remember the Alamo! Remember Goliad!" And Tony Menchaca of Juan Seguin's company took up the cry in Spanish: Recuerden el Alamo! Recuerden La Bahia!

The angry, unshaven, under-fed, ill-clothed soldiers of Sam Houston's army understood quite well the meanings of these war

cries. Revenge. It was pay-back time. Many of their friends and even family members had been killed at the Alamo and at the mission La Bahia where James Fannin and most of his men were murdered.

These war cries were echoed all through the lines of the Texan Army as they advanced at a trot against the well-equipped Mexican Army which outnumbered the Texans approximately 2 to 1. To Houston's army, remembering the Alamo was to remember how the brave men there fought like "devils" trying to repel the Sanatanistas - and it was remembering how 15 year old William Philip King died at his post defending the Alamo - it was remembering the two young Wolf boys ages 11 and 12 and how they were bayoneted by the Mexicans. It was remembering how the Mexican soldiers amused themselves by tosing the Texan's bodies into the air and catching them on the points of their bayonettes. And it was remembering how Santa Anna ordered all the bodies burned... and they were. Remembering the Alamo

was easy for the furious Texans that day - it was indeed time to make the Mexican Army pay for what they did at the Alamo.

What about Goliad? This is one war cry that we seem to overlook today. But the Texan Army at San Jacinto took "Remember Goliad!" very much to heart. They knew very well that Colonel James W. Fannin had done fierce battle with General Urrea's troops at the battle of Coleto and how Fannin surrendered because his small band of about 350 men had run out of water. Fannin's men were marched back to mission La Bahia in Goliad where they were held as prisoners until March 27. On Sunday, March 27, 1836 James Fannin and almost all of his men were executed by orders of General Santa Anna. Remembering Goliad was also easy for the Texan Army that day - the atrocities committed by Antonio Lopez De Santa Anna were indelibly branded in the hearts of the Texans.

So these war cries did have meaning for the Texan Army under

General Houston at 4:30 in the afternoon on Thursday, April 21, 1836 at a place called San Jacinto. The 570 foot San Jacinto Monument (15 feet taller than the Washington Monument) today marks the spot where Sam Houston's Army of about 800 men annihilated Santa Anna's army of about 1,400 (over 700 killed and more than 600 taken prisoner). These war cries incited strength and purpose in these men. It inspired them and fortified their spirits with a hunger known only to them - the hunger for revenge, for victory, and for justice.

"Remember the Alamo!" and "Remember Goliad!" are recorded in our history books today. But no textbook adequately explains the story behind these war cries. They tell the stories of brave men who died fighting against oppression and tyranny and they tell the story of brave men who fought and won their freedom and our freedom as Texans living in the Lone Star State.

So do you really understand and remember? Do you pause and remember on each

and every March 6th? What about March 2nd? - yes, that's Texas Independence Day which seems to come and go unnoticed. And do we remember Fannin and his men on March 27th? - probably not; it too comes and goes without recognition. And then there is April 21st... yep, that's San Jacinto Day - The day that Houston's angry, savage band of soldiers defeated Santa Anna's army and secured our independence. It's all very similar to the American Revolution and July 4th when we celebrate with Bar-B-Ques, rodeos, parades, and millions of dollars worth of fireworks. Yes, it's true. It's all about being patriotic and loyal to your country. What about being patriotic and loyal with devotion to our great state? Don't we as Texans owe it to the men who gave their lives for Texas? Don't we owe it to ourselves to remember?

I'm a patriotic man. I also seem to be somewhat emotional and perhaps too tender-hearted but all in all I don't have a problem showing my patriotism and how emotional and

tender I can be. Some men may call me weak and others may say I'm a pansy or a whimp. But they are wrong. There are a few things that always make my eyes fill with water and put a lump in my throat... the one and only Man who died that I might be forgiven. The men and women of the armed forces who fought (and still fight) for our freedom and way of life and the early Texans who fought against oppression and tyranny and gave us The Lone Star State. And there are two symbols that make me very proud and cause me to be thankful - The American Flag and the Texas Flag... these two emblems also tell stories of tremendous courage, faith, heroism, and Freedom through Victory. We owe it to the men and women who sacrificed their lives for us

... we owe it even to ourselves... to remember with honor and patriotism those who found the courage to fight and fight even to the point of death so that we can live a life of liberty and freedom and where there is justice for all. "Remember the Alamo!" and "Remember Goliad!"... Forever!

Enrollment is Up Due to Transfers

Assoc editor
Dec J Preston

The enrollment here at Lefors has gone up this year due to several families moving into the community. Also several students from Pampa have transferred to Lefors. The total enrollment from Kindergarten to twelfth grade is now 192. The enrollment of Junior High and High School is 73.

Lefors ISD is happy to see that people are interested in providing their children with an exceptional education. Many people believe that children can be better educated if they are in a small school and can speak freely with the teachers about their problems.

People have been

mised to believe that having their student transferred would be complex, but that is not the case-the only thing a parent is required to do

is sign a contract stating that their children will have a good attendance record and will maintain an acceptable grade point average. Often people make the comment that they cant afford to send their children to another school, but there are no additional finances. Transferring to Lefors ISD requires no fee what so ever.

Several people have sent their children to Lefors and have realized that Lefors is a great school. Parents, if you are wanting to transfer your students don't let the reasons "It's a hassle" or "We don't have the necessary financial status" hold you back. The school would love to receive more transfers. Our doors are open.

THE KEY TO A GOOD SEASON

staff writer
Amanda Sprouse

Although football season doesn't start for another week, the Lefors Pirates got an early dose of how rough their competition will be for this year when, last Friday, the Higgins Coyotes came down to the Pirates lair.

As the Pirates and the Coyotes scrimmaged, coaches stood in the field and evaluated their teams strengths and weaknesses. Each team had a has a lot of potential this year as the Pirates are strong on both offense and defense and the Coyotes have a lot of power. The Pirates are looking better this year then last year with the adding of incoming

have returning starters who are looking for a lot more victories this year.

During the scrimmage, the Pirates showed just how much their time in the weight room had helped their game. Each player has improved since last year because of their time in the weight room. Each player played an important part in the scrimmage. Coaches were looking for who could handle the pressure of being out there and getting banged up. The Pirates also learned which plays were the most effective on their opponents and which plays weren't. This way when district rolls around they can be district champs.

The experience gained through that scrimmage should carry them through the season. They have a lot of games left and luckily no one was badly hurt during Friday's game, lets hope the rest of the season goes that way.

How Things Change

staff writer
Amanda Sprouse

As Lefors ISD students returned to their ever-familiar school they may have encountered many changes within the school.

Inside the school there were normal changes like the repainting of fading walls, but outside there were some dramatic changes. If you happen to walk through the front doors of the high school, you will notice that were there used to be bushes, there are now just stumps.

This could be a painful reminder to those who enjoyed the bushes. There also happens to be new playground equipment for the elementary kids (or for those high school kids who like to have a bit of innocent fun every now and then). During the summer, the prisoners installed a new slide, hopscotch patterns, two tetherball

Just A Note

The Lefors PTO will hold a meeting on the 4th Tuesday in September. Please plan to attend.

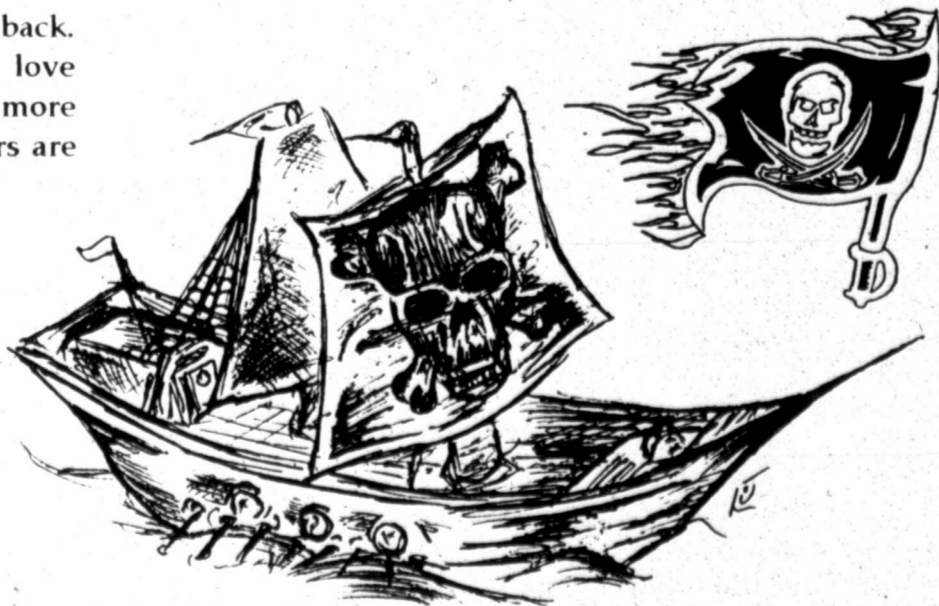
poles, volleyball net, and picnic tables. These new toys are greatly appreciated by the elementary kids who spend hours of fun on them in and out of school. Also set up this summer was a new house for our new superintendent.

We did not only get improvements on our playground equipment, we also received a new counselor and a new speech/theater arts teacher. Mrs. Holwick came to us after our speech/theater teacher, of two years, picked up his belongings a moved. She now picks up where he left off.

These improvements were well welcomed by us here in Lefors. The kids can now play outside on their new equipment. The high school and junior high school kids can enjoy their new speech/theater arts teacher. - And those overworked prisoners can now take a break

Tidbits

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| 8/27 Scrimmage Follet/Silverton | H |
| 9/3 Ft. Elliott (HC) | H |
| 9/6 Labor Day Holiday | |
| 9/10 Hedley | T |
| 9/18 Loraine | Guthrie |
| 9/20 School Pictures | |
| 9/24 Trinity | H |



Pirates

Branding Iron Theatre, KWTS-FM 91.1 to present 'Huckabee and Tootsie'

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Branding Iron Theatre and KWTS-FM 91.1 in cooperation with Merely Players will present a live radio play, "Huckabee and Tootsie," at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4 in the Branding Iron Theatre.

"This is the kind of radio theatre you might remember way back," John Landon, associate

professor of theatre, said. "We will have live actors in front of microphones with a sound effects table."

Landon said the presentation will be entertaining to those listening by radio and to those in the theatre.

The play by Gerald McDaniel is subtitled "A Play for Cat-Haters." It is about a professor and his cat that

has special abilities that begin to frustrate the owner.

Bruce Shatney, a former WTAMU student, will direct the production.

Joe Barone, a WTAMU graduate student, will play Dr. Huckabee; Darla McFarland will play Tootsie the Cat; and Brent McFarland, 1995 WTAMU graduate, will play Grubbs.

Cindi Bulla will play Francine and Amy

Gilliland will perform as Mrs. Cavindish. The performance will also star Tina Love and Steve Hilton. Hilton, who has received two degrees from WTAMU, will perform as the announcer.

The performance is free and open to the public. Tickets for the live performance are not needed.

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Annual rodeo attracts thousands to Boys Ranch

BOYS RANCH — Although this will only be the second year for 17-year-old Floyd Keesee to ride bulls and broncs in the annual Boys Ranch rodeo, he feels confident that he will do well. The 55th Annual Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Rodeo is set for 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4 and for 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 5 at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch,

located 36 miles northwest of Amarillo. Almost 100 children from Boys Ranch, Girlstown, U.S.A. and Cal Farley's Family Program will compete in the event, which attracts nearly 10,000 visitors each year from all over the United States.

Keesee said that one reason he is confident about this year's rodeo is because of his faith in God.

Although he was scared when he first rode a bull, he knew that he would be protected.

"As long as you trust in the Lord, He will help you," he said.

Keesee credits Boys Ranch alumni Shawn Patrick, who won the All-Around Cowboy title in 1997, with stressing faith in God before a rodeo. Keesee said that Patrick always led the

group in prayer before each rodeo.

"Everybody wants to pray because it gives them assurance," Keesee said.

Keesee said that rodeo has also taught him self-confidence and courage and that it helps him to be a leader. Keesee, who has lived at Boys Ranch since 1995, is a leader on campus. He earns good grades and participates in many extracurricular activities including Tri-State Rodeo and the Boys Ranch Honor Patrol.

"Boys Ranch has opened up a lot more opportunities for me than a regular school," he said.

Keesee placed fifth in last year's bull riding event, but hopes to win the All-Around Cowboy title this year. His younger sister, Lynn, also participates in the Boys Ranch rodeo — she rides barrels and poles.

Events for the rodeo range from stick horse barrel racing to bareback bronc riding. Youth not participating in the rodeo

help at the rodeo by selling lunches and snacks. Some also act as tour guides for the guests.

Barbecue lunches will be available at the rodeo grounds. Lunch plates are available for \$4 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. on Saturday and 12 noon-2 p.m. on Sunday. During the barbecue, country music artist and former Boys Rancher, Britt Hammond and his band will entertain visitors.

Reserved seats are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children ages 6-12. General admission tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1 for children. Reserved box seats are \$6 each. Additional ticket information and reservations are available by calling (806) 372-2341, ext. 647 or by writing P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174.

Sponsors for this year's rodeo include Amarillo National Bank and The Big Texan Steak Ranch.

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