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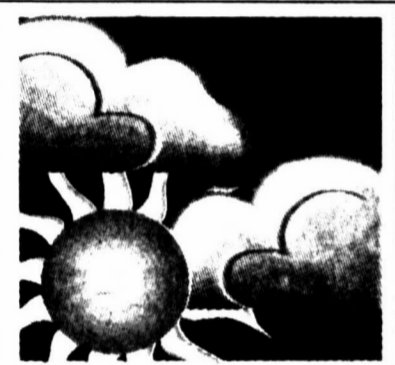
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Library's child reading program needs supplies
PAMPA — Children's Department of the Lovett Memorial Library is seeking supply donations from the public for the 2000 Summer Reading Program craft projects planned for July.
Some of the items needed are cardboard tubes. These include the center tubes from toilet paper and paper towels.
Also, containers with lids which can include coffee cans, Pringles cans, snack cans and other similar types are being sought as well as cardboard boxes of all shapes and sizes.
Other supplies which are needed for the program are construction paper, glue and glue sticks, paper plates, aluminum foil and paper cups.
Supply donations may be taken to the library at 111 North Houston.
Shanla Brookshire, children's librarian, may be contacted at 669-5780 regarding any questions about the summer crafts projects in connection with the reading program.

AUSTIN • (AP) — Disagreeing with Gov. Bush, most Texans believe the state has executed an innocent person, according to a media poll published Thursday.
The Scripps Howard Texas Poll found that 57 percent of those surveyed think that Texas has put an innocent person to death.

Gene Wesley Lewis, 66, realtor, business owner.
Orvis Jean "Jeannie" Cates, 50, MHMR advocate.
Edna Bryant, 60, former Panpan.
Bobby Gene Holder, 65, sports enthusiast.
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Jamie Boothe, left, and Vincent Hunter, right, of DJ Investments paint the walls of the women's bathroom at the Cinema 4 movie theater in Coronado Center Plaza. (Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Theater opens tomorrow

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

After six months without a movie theater in Pampa, Cinema 4 will be showing movies again Friday evening.
New owners Jim Yates and David Schwartz have been in Pampa for several weeks preparing the theater for the reopening. Schwartz said this morning crews are about 70 percent completed with the initial planned work on the theater.
While the two men had wanted to have new carpeting installed by tomorrow's opening date, he said the installation will be done Monday and Tuesday.
He said the main priority is to be sure the theater opens Friday for public viewing of the movies.
Schwartz said they are also planning to utilize much of the empty space adjoining the theater in the Coronado Shopping Center by opening additional family-oriented businesses.
During the next two months he said they will be working on putting in a video arcade, pool room and ice cream area.
"We want to fill the area up to provide family entertainment where families can spend the entire day," he said. Schwartz said if children are kept busy they will stay out of mischief.
He also said he and his partner plan to open an inexpensive day care center in the area.
Schwartz said he and Yates bring different theater styles to the community. "We are taking the best of both and combining the styles in Pampa to bring good entertainment to the community," he said.
"The public will see a whole new look in the theater," he said, adding they have plenty of trees and plants to contribute to the new atmosphere.
Movies to be shown this weekend include "Gladiator," "Mission Impossible II," "Flintstones," and "Road Trip." Senior Citizens and children admission is \$3.50 while adult tickets are \$5.
The first movie showing will be at 5 p.m. Friday. Matinees at 3 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday will begin the weekend days' movie showings.

Early voting ends Friday

Voter turnout remains heavy

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Early voting continues through Friday in the Tuesday, June 27, court-ordered Republican Primary runoff election in the 31st District Attorney race between incumbent John Mann and Roberts County Attorney Richard J. (Rick) Roach.
Gray County is experiencing a heavy turnout as a total of 606 voters have cast ballots during early voting in the county clerk's office. During the first two days of early voting, 278 ballots were cast.
Hemphill County Clerk Charles Cole said this morning they are also seeing a heavy turnout for the court-ordered election for the prosecutor's position. He said 93 people have voted early in the DA's race. Approximately 72 voters voted during the first two days early voting was conducted.
Roberts County Clerk's office reported approximately 50 people have voted in the special election.
The turnout has not been as heavy in Wheeler and Lipscomb counties, but both counties are traditionally predominantly Democrat.
Wheeler County Clerk's office reported 30 voters have voted as of Thursday morning. Thirteen voters voted during the first two days of early voting.
(See VOTING, Page 2)

Second water hearing to be held in White Deer

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

AMARILLO — The second of two planned meetings concerning the annexation of Potter County to the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District will be Wednesday, June 28, at the district's White Deer headquarters.
"We do support the annexation," Amarillo City Manager John Ward said at last night's meeting in Amarillo.
The first meeting here was sparsely attended Wednesday night. Of the three dozen present, two people were citizens of rural Potter County and two lived in Amarillo. The rest were with the City of Amarillo, Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District or Canadian River Municipal Water Authority.
Ward spoke following a presentation by C.E. Williams, general manager of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District.
"We would like to work with you in planning for the future water needs of our area," Ward told district board members during the meeting. "We feel the best and most mutually beneficial way to accomplish these objectives is for us to be a part of your district and for Amarillo and Potter County to have representation on your district board."
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Officials explain Rodeo Queen scoring

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Queen contestants in the 2000 Miss Rodeo Top O'Texas and Miss Rodeo Top O'Texas Teen pageants are busy taking care of last minute details for the upcoming local competitions to be held next month in Pampa.
Current Top O' Texas Rodeo Queen Jamie Reed and Top O'Texas Rodeo Teen Queen Candice Caldwell have worked very hard the past year representing Pampa and the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association at many functions, say Top O' Texas officials.
Reed and Caldwell will reign over the week's activities in mid-July. They will relinquish their titles on the last night of the rodeo when the new queens will be announced.
Queen Pageant Director Sonja Daniel said three of the candidates are returning for their second year because they enjoyed the activities so much during the queen competition. "I feel like that is a very positive statement," she said.
Four candidates are seeking the Top O'Texas Rodeo Queen title. They are Stacy Huddleston of Pampa, Shaylon Sanford of Skellytown, Jodi Sealey of Canyon and Abigail Blakeney of Amarillo.
Top O' Texas Teen Queen contestants are Jamie Schroeder, Megan Poole, and Ashley Winton, all of Pampa.
The annual Queen's Luncheon and Style Show will be held at 11:30 a.m., July 13, and will feature the queen contestants.
Special prizes and a scholarship are given this year by the Amanda Jacobs Memorial.
Contestants are judged in four (4) categories: appearance, personality, horsemanship and ticket sales. Each category is worth 25 points. Pageant officials emphasize each category is equally important.
It is possible for a contestant to win three out of four categories and not win the queen title, say pageant officials. They also say a contestant can be named runner-up and not win any categories.
In the event of a tie of the total scores, the horsemanship category scores are used as the tie-breaker, say officials.
"Horsemanship is a very important part of the competition. This is not just a beauty pageant," said Daniel.
A chart illustrating the method of judging the Top O' Texas queens' contests is on Page 3 of this issue.
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Rodeo Queen Jamie Reed

PISD considers athletics character shaping course

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

A new character-building program for school athletes may be implemented at Pampa High School soon if Dennis Cavalier, PHS athletic director, gets his wish.
Cavalier decided "Coaching to Save Lives," a curriculum for student athletes designed to build character, would be ideal for PHS's athletic program after he attended a seminar with Rod Porter earlier this year.
"I suggest a teaching environment to teach this curriculum across the board in our athletic program," Cavalier said in a report to the Pampa Independent School District's (PISD) board of education this week. "It might be a difference maker."
"Coaching to Save Lives" is the brainchild of two Texas football coaches who realized that mental training is more important than physical training, Cavalier explained.
Dennis Parker and D.W. Rutledge were assistant coaches at Converse-Judson ISD in San Antonio when they developed the program, Cavalier said, adding that Zig Ziegler, well-known motivational speaker, then adapted their work into "Coaching To Save Lives."
The curriculum consists of 81 lessons of 15 to 20 minutes each, he said. Lessons include responsibility, goal setting, leadership skills, character, attitude and self image. Students record what they learn each day in a workbook / journal given to them at the beginning of the school year, he added.
"This fits in perfectly with the structure of the school day we have, utilizing the 30 minutes that's not used for athletics," Cavalier said.
"You've heard that participation athletics teach character," he commented. "I'm here to tell you that's an untrue statement. Participation athletics teach sports-specific skills. That's all. But they do provide an opportunity to teach character."
"Coaches teach character, not athletics," he said.
Each day's lesson begins with a vocabulary word from the SAT/ACT recommended vocabulary list, the coach said.
As an example, he said, the day's word might be "gratitude." The students would write the word and its definition in their workbook. They would then write three

'Participation athletics teach sports-specific skills. That's all... Coaches teach character, not athletics.'
— Dennis Cavalier
PHS athletics director

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Services tomorrow

BRYANT, Edna — 10 a.m., Rector Funeral Home Chapel, Amarillo. Burial, 3 p.m., Mobeetie Cemetery, Mobeetie.

CATES, Orvis Jean "Jeannie" — 10:30 a.m., Robertson Funeral Directors Chapel of Memories, Clarendon.

POWERS, Berry Lafayette — 2 p.m., 11th Street Baptist Church, Shamrock.

Obituaries

EDNA BRYANT
AMARILLO — Edna Bryant, 60, a former Pampa resident, died Tuesday, June 20, 2000. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Rector Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Chris Ford, pastor of Follett United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be at 3 p.m. in Mobeetie Cemetery at Mobeetie under the direction of Rector Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mrs. Bryant was born at Pampa. She married Don Bryant in 1965 at Pampa. She had been an Amarillo resident since 1966, moving from Pampa. She was project coordinator for Kids Incorporated prior to retiring in 1996 after 16 years of service. She belonged to Kingswood United Methodist Church and was a volunteer with Northwest Texas Healthcare System.

Survivors include her husband, Don, of the home; a daughter, Carol McMillon of Amarillo; a son, Daniel Bryant of Amarillo; four sisters, Ruby Frost of Broadview, N.M., Billie Enterline of Long Beach, Calif., Vera Cornett of Lubbock and Dana Sue Bishop of Corpus Christi; four brothers, Floyd Sackett and Charlie Sackett, both of Pampa, Paul Sackett of Lewisville and Dan Sackett of Amarillo; and two grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors from 7-8 p.m. today at the funeral home and requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to: Kids Inc., 2201 E. 27th Ave., Amarillo, TX 79103; or to Children's Ministry at Kingswood United Methodist Church, 4801 S. Austin, Amarillo, TX 79110.

ORVIS JEAN "JEANNIE" CATES
 Orvis Jean "Jeannie" Cates, 50, of Pampa, died Tuesday, June 20, 2000. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Robertson Chapel of Memories in Clarendon with Brian Gochenour, minister of Clarendon Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Ms. Cates was born Oct. 14, 1949, at Pampa. She lived at Plainview for 12 years and at Lubbock for two years, returning to Pampa a month ago. She was employed as a MHMR (Mental Health and Mental Retardation) advocate and belonged to the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Torri Brook Cates, on July 14, 1978.

Survivors include two sons, Tim Landon of Amarillo and Heath Cates of Plainview; her parents, O.O. and Bernice Crocker of Howardwick; and four sisters, Dorothy Connel of Ormand, Fla., Emma Reed of Amarillo, Rachael Mannering of Edgewood and Linda Mason of Fort Worth.

BOBBY GENE HOLDER
 LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Bobby Gene Holder, 65, died May 4, 2000, at Las Vegas. The body was cremated and memorial services were held at Paul U. Lee La Porte Funeral Home Chapel on May 13.

Mr. Holder was born Feb. 24, 1935, at Pampa. He was an avid sports participant and was always proud to have played under Coach Paul Bear Bryant at Texas A&M University at Kingsville.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Lillian Dumas Holder.

Survivors include his wife, Jennie Holder, of the home; two children, Denise H. Adams of Webster and Troy Holder of Pasadena; his father, Carl Holder; a brother, Jerry Holder; and four grandchildren, Amber Adams of Las Vegas, Travis Adams of Webster and Douglas Holder and Michael Holder, both of Pasadena.

GENE WESLEY LEWIS
 Gene Wesley Lewis, 66, of Pampa, died Wednesday, June 21, 2000, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Lewis was born June 29, 1933, at Pampa and had been a lifelong Pampa resident, graduating from Pampa High School Class of 1952. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1952 and served aboard the USS Piedmont until being discharged in 1955. He was an active reservist for 20 years prior to retiring. He was also a realtor and owner of Action Realty for 20 years.

He married Jannie Silcott on May 31, 1957, at Pampa.

He belonged to First Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife, Jannie, of the home; three daughters, Jill, Meghan and Melissa Lewis, all of Pampa; a son, Jay Lewis of Hereford; a sister, Glenna Jones of Edmond, Okla.; a brother, Monty Lewis of San Marcos; and three grandchildren.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....	911
Crime Stoppers.....	669-2222
Energas.....	1-888-Energas
Fire.....	911
Police (emergency).....	911

Hemphill grand jury returns indictments

CANADIAN — Four indictments were returned against three people in unrelated cases by a Hemphill County grand jury last week, according to District Attorney John Mann.

Two indictments for injury to a child were returned against Susie Henry Sanchez, 21, of Canadian. Krishinda Gonzales, 18, of Amarillo, was indicted on charges of unauthorized use of a

motor vehicle. Eleazar Borrego, 38, of Canadian, was indicted on charges of driving while intoxicated. The charge stems from his arrest on May 7.

The charges against Sanchez stem from June 3, involving a 5-year-old girl and a 3-year-old boy. Mann said the indictment of Sanchez involves a 1998 red Ford

Explorer sport utility vehicle reported missing by Jim Waterfield of Canadian.

The Hemphill County grand jury returned the indictments Wednesday in the 31st District Court of Judge Steven Emmert.

Emmert set bond for Sanchez at \$5,000 for each count. He set bond for Gonzales at \$5,000. Bond for Borrego was set at \$3,000.

BERRY LAFAYETTE POWERS
SHAMROCK — Berry Lafayette Powers, 87, died Tuesday, June 20, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in 11th Street Baptist Church with the Rev. David Williams officiating. Burial will be in Erick Cemetery at Erick, Okla., under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Powers was born March 5, 1913, at Williamsburg, Ky., to Tom and Verna Powers. He farmed for himself and for his father and later worked as a farm laborer until retiring in 1978.

He was a U.S. World War II veteran, serving from October 1943 until November 1945 in the European theater. He received the Good Conduct Medal, the EAME Theater Ribbon, three Bronze Stars and the American Theater Ribbon.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, William Powers and Robert Powers; a sister, Lora Ewer; and two grandsons, Richard Duncan and Scott Allen Stubbs.

Survivors include his wife, Millie, of Shamrock; three daughters, Peggy Stewart of Wellington, Jeanie Stubbs of Dallas and Norma Saxon of Willow, Okla.; a son, Wayne Powers of New Mexico; 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, June 21
 A water main was reported tapped in the 1700 block of Beech.
 Threats against a 12-year-old girl were reported in the 1000 block of Huff.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, June 21
 A 1993 blue Chevrolet Corsica driven by Jeffery Davis, 16, 730 Perry, collided with a 1988 maroon Dodge Dynasty driven by Linda D. Davis, 38, 1129 Wilcox which then collided with a 1997 blue Chevrolet Suburban driven by Sheila D. Vance, 44, of Amarillo, about 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at Hobart and Kentucky. Officers said all three vehicles were north bound on Hobart. Linda Davis and Vance were stopped at the traffic signal. Jeffery Davis was cited for following too close.

Sheriff's Office

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

Wednesday, June 21
 Billy Brian Jernigan, 29, of rural Gray County, was arrested by Gray County deputies about 5:40 p.m. Wednesday for probation violation, assault causing injury.

Ambulance

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, June 21
 11:58 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Huff Road and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).
 5:57 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred one patient to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.
 7:31 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of Kingsmill. No one was transported.
 7:39 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Williston. No one was transported.

Fires

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, June 21
 7:40 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1100 block of Williston.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atchafalaya Grain of Pampa.			
Wheat	2.59	KMI	34.5/16
Milo	2.62	Ker McGee	61.3/8
Corn	3.19	Limited	21.1/4
Soybeans	4.17	McDonald's	31.1/2
		Exxon Mobil	83.13/16
		New Atmos	20
		NCE	32
		OKE	28
		Penny's	17.9/16
		Phillips	55.9/16
		Pioneer Nat	13.1/2
		SLB	77.9/16
		Tenneco	7.1/16
		Texasco	57.7/8
		Ultramar	27.1/4
		Wal Mart	52.13/16
		Williams	44.5/8
			up 1/8
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:			
Occidental	23.34	up 1/4	
Fidelity Magchn	136.90		
Puritan	18.95		
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:			
Ambco	58.3/4	up 1/2	
Cabot	29.3/8	up 7/16	
Cabot O&G	22.3/8	up 1/8	
Chevron	91.13/16	up 3/64	
Coca Cola	53.9/16	up 1/16	
Columbia/HCA	29.9/16	up 1/4	
Enron	73.7/8	dn 5/16	
Halliburton	49.11/16	dn 1/16	
IRI	10.11/16	up 1/16	
KMI	34.5/16	up 5/16	
Ker McGee	61.3/8	up 1/8	
Limited	21.1/4	dn 3/8	
McDonald's	31.1/2	up 3/16	
Exxon Mobil	83.13/16	dn 9/64	
New Atmos	20	NC	
NCE	32	dn 9/16	
OKE	28	dn 1/8	
Penny's	17.9/16	dn 7/16	
Phillips	55.9/16	up 3/8	
Pioneer Nat	13.1/2	NC	
SLB	77.9/16	dn 1/16	
Tenneco	7.1/16	NC	
Texasco	57.7/8	up 7/64	
Ultramar	27.1/4	up 5/32	
Wal Mart	52.13/16	dn 1/16	
Williams	44.5/8	up 1/8	
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		NA	
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VOTING

Lipscomb County clerk's office has had a total of 14 cast ballots for Tuesday's race, up six votes over the eight votes cast during the first two days of early balloting.

County clerks and Republican officials are prepared for heavy voting as they ordered more ballots than usual for the court-ordered Republican Primary runoff.

Gray County Clerk Susan Winborne said her office ordered 2,800 ballots in anticipation of a heavy turnout in early voting

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leading up to Tuesday's election. Roberts County officials ordered 650 ballots while Lipscomb County has 600 ballots.

Hemphill County Clerk Cole said his office is not contracted with the Republican Party to conduct the election, but said they had ordered 500 ballots. The staff in Wheeler County said they also were not contracted with the Republicans to conduct the election and were not aware of the total ballots ordered in anticipation of the election.

Persons who voted in either the March 14 Democratic Primary or the April 11

Democratic Primary runoff cannot vote in the runoff election, according to the Texas Election Code.

The TEC states voters who voted in the Republican Primary election are eligible to vote in the runoff as well as those who did not vote in either primary.

Early voting began Friday, June 16, and continues through Friday, June 23, at the county clerks' offices.

Early voting takes place in the county clerk's offices located in the county courthouses in all five counties — Gray, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Roberts and Wheeler — of the multi-district race.

COURSE

things for which they are grateful.

The students read the lesson and answer questions in the study guide. The next day the students would discuss their answers, he said.

"They're encouraged to take their workbooks home and share what they're learning with their parents and families," Cavalier said.

"The key is to guide students in learning character-building concepts," he said.

Dr. Dawson Orr, school superintendent, pointed out that students who are splitting athletics with other school activities such as choir would not participate in the program.

The 30-minute period out of the 90-minute block set aside for athletics is presently used as a study hall or "free" period, Cavalier said.

"Instead of going to study hall, they would do this," Orr explained.

"How many kids would this reach?" asked Pat Kennedy, school board member.

Cavalier answered that approximately 300 students take part in PHS athletics, about one-third of the student population.

"I'd like to pilot this one year and see if it works for us," Orr commented. "We've got to have a broader reach for character education."

Board member Nancy Coffee asked if the athletic staff was receptive to the idea.

"The ones I've spoken with are definitely in favor of it. I haven't introduced it to all the staff yet,"

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Cavalier said. Dr. Jay Johnson, school board president, asked if parental approval is needed to participate.

"We would definitely have a meeting with parents," Orr said. "They would have an opportunity to opt in or opt out. Some parents may feel their students need the study hall."

Johnson wondered if the Teen Leadership program already in place could be used instead of "Coaching to Save Lives."

Orr explained that Teen Leadership is geared to a small group of students.

"Teen Leadership builds characteristics needed for citizen leaders," said Tim Powers, Pampa Middle School principal, who teaches Teen Leadership. The curriculum includes public speaking and community service that he said would not work as well for the athletic program.

"I think it's a good thing," Kennedy said, explaining she liked the way it would reach more students. "I've been concerned about that. It gives coaches a goal that coaching changes lives."

The board took no action on Coach Cavalier's report. However, if the program is approved, school officials hope to have one of the authors, Dennis Parker, attend a teacher inservice and present a seminar on the curriculum to the coaches.

Parker now serves as district athletic director for Keller ISD of the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Cavalier said. Keller ISD includes two 5-A high schools.

Co-author D.W. Rutledge presently acts as head football coach and athletic coordinator at Converse-Judson, he said.

DNA central in local death row case

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

While death penalty opponents point to DNA testing as a way of exonerating innocent prisoners facing execution, 31st and 223rd District Attorney John Mann said DNA evidence helped put a Pampa man on Texas' death row.

Henry "Hank" Watkins Skinner, 37, is on death row awaiting execution after being convicted in 1996 of murdering Twila Busby, 40, and her two sons, Elwin Eugene "Scooter" Caler, 22, and Melvin Randolph Busby Jr., 20, on New Year's Eve, 1993, in Pampa.

Busby was beaten to death while the two boys were stabbed. Officers discovered the grisly murders after one of the sons made his way to a neighbor's house before collapsing on the neighbor's porch shortly before midnight, Dec. 31, 1993.

Police followed a trail of blood back to the Busby home where they found the boy's mother in a pool of blood on the living room floor and the other son lying in his blood-soaked bed.

Opponents of the death penalty point to DNA evidence as a

way of exonerating wrongly convicted prisoners on death row.

At the center of the argument are two New York defense lawyers, Barry Scheck and Peter Neufeld, who founded and direct the pro-bono Innocence Project which seeks the release of wrongly convicted people through DNA testing.

District Attorney John Mann said he has no objection to DNA testing. DNA testing helped put Skinner on death row.

"The current panic over DNA

is 180 degrees in scope from the applicability of DNA in the Skinner case," Mann said.

He said DNA evidence assisted in putting Skinner in the house in which Busby and her two sons were killed.

"The way it did that was it showed that blood of two of the victims was on his clothing," Mann said.

"In other words, DNA tied him to the scene and the murder as opposed to exonerating him," the DA explained.

Pampa High School diplomas available

Diplomas are now in for the new Pampa High School Class of 2000 graduates. Students or parents can pick up their diploma from 8 a.m.-12 noon and from 1-3:30 p.m. weekdays at the high school counselors' office throughout the month of June.

City Briefs

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ULTIMATE ADVENTURE Vacation Bible School, June 26-30, 9-12 noon, kids 4-12 yrs. Fellowship Baptist Church, 622 E. Francis, to register call 665-5976.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly sunny today with a high near 90 and south winds at 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and a low in the upper 60s.

Friday, partly sunny and breezy with a high in the low 90s. Tonight less than a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and a low of 70. Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain and a high near 90.

Wednesday's high was 80 and the low, 65.

STATEWIDE — Skies were mostly cloudy over much of Texas early Thursday with temperatures generally in the 70s and 80s, forecasters said.

The forecast for most of North Texas calls for a chance of thunderstorms Thursday night with temperatures dipping into the 70s and 80s early Friday.

In West Texas and the Panhandle, low clouds blanketed the region with temperatures in the 60s and 70s early Thursday.

The forecast calls for partly cloudy skies through Friday

with a chance of thunderstorms in far western regions.

In South Texas, a ridge of low pressure brought moisture and skies remained mostly cloudy early Thursday. Wind was from the south at 5-10 mph.

Temperatures at 4 a.m. ranged from 74 at Junction to 81 at Galveston.

The forecast calls for partly to mostly sunny skies Friday with hot and humid conditions.

Highs Friday afternoon should reach from near 90 to 100 near the coast.

Rodeo and teen queen pageant contestants

The Top O' Texas Rodeo Association will present this year's Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen Queen pageants July 13-15. The current title holders are Jamie Reed, Top O' Texas Rodeo Queen, and Candice Caldwell, Top O' Texas Rodeo Teen Queen. They will relinquish their titles on the last night of the rodeo when the new queens will be announced.

Contestants for the upcoming queen competition are: Stacy Huddleston of Pampa, Shaylon Sanford of Skellytown, Jodi Seeley of Canyon and Abigail Blakeney of Amarillo.

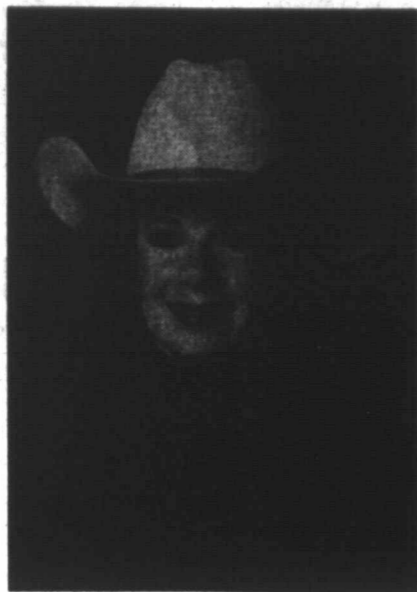
Contestants for the teen competition are: Jamie Schroeder, Megan Poole and Ashley Winton, all of Pampa.

The annual Queen's Luncheon and Style Show is slated at 11:30 a.m. July 13 at Pampa Community Building. The event is open to the public. For more information, contact the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association at 669-0434.

Queen Candidates

Stacy Huddleston. Huddleston is the 20-year-old daughter of Linda and Donald Huddleston of Pampa. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: 1999 PHS honor graduate; D-Fy-It; Pampa Aquatic Club team captain; American Quarter Horse Association; Adobe Walls Indian Dancers; High Adventure Explorers Post; Boy Scout Camp assistant; horseback riding; and working with show horses, round-ups and at Gray County Veterinary Clinic. Huddleston currently attends Clarendon College and plans to pursue a degree in equine medicine at Texas A&M University. (Sponsors: Fashion Tips to Toes, Gray County Veterinary Clinic, Kriss-Kross Quilting, B&G Welding, Payton's Machine Shop, Curves and Douglas Paint and Body Shop.)

Shaylon Sanford. Sanford is the 18-year-old daughter of Dianne and Rod Sanford of Skellytown. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: North American Corriente Association; Modeling Association of America/International; and Frank Phillips College Student Government Association activity director and historian. She has attended Amarillo College and is currently a sophomore at FPC. Following graduation from FPC,



Stacy Huddleston



Shaylon Sanford



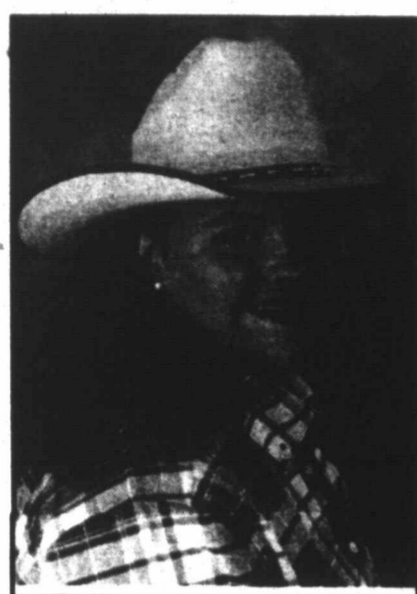
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Megan Poole



Ashley Winton

she plans to pursue a degree at West Texas A&M University.

Jodi Seeley. Seeley, a Canyon resident, is the 21-year-old daughter of Vivian Seeley of Portales, N.M. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: Cowgirls Rodeo Association, The United States Team Roping Championships; National Barrel Horse Association; riding colts for the public; competitive open barrel racer and team roper; and riding instructor. She is currently a junior attending West Texas A&M University. (Sponsors: Vista Environmental Services Co., Photography By Vondel, S&S Welding, First Impressions, Antelope Creek Leather, Cactus Jack's Cowboy Discounters, Joe's Boot Shop, Pat and Bethany Cantwell and Vivian Seeley.)

Abigail Blakeney. Blakeney is the 20-year-old daughter of Lee and Tom Blakeney of Amarillo. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: High school honor graduate; American Quarter Horse Association life member; AQHA World Show Top 10 Awards; and AQHA National Year End Top 10 Award. In addition, she is a member of First Presbyterian Church and serves on the Children's Church Staff. She is a senior at West Texas A&M University and plans to pursue a master's degree in business or to attend law school. (Sponsors: Equestrian Equipper.)

Jamie Schroeder. Schroeder is the 14-year-old daughter of Joe and Lee Ann Winton of Pampa. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: Pampa Middle School AB Honor Roll; TAAS Academic

Recognition in Reading; 4-H; Pampa Rodeo Club; horseback riding; rodeos; team penning; reading; and acting. She is enrolled as a ninth grader at Pampa High School in the fall. Her future plans are to pursue a degree in veterinary medicine at Texas A&M University. (Sponsors: Bob Douthit Autos, Gwyn Douthit, Amy Wuest, Kim Tatum, Sheryl Lester, Kathy Taylor, Russell and Linda Hollis, Debbie Weaver, Dustin Baker, Keith and Janice Touchstone of Touchstone Farms, D&W Auto Sales, Williams Works of Wood, Red River Sand & Gravel and Robert Schroeder.)

Megan Poole. Poole is the 14-year-old daughter of Nancy and Bob Poole of Pampa. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: Dance Masters of America solo/group dance awards; Mastery of TAAS Test; NBHA-3D Youth awards; National Barrel Horse Association; American Quarter Horse Association; Eighth Grade Golf Team; and Pampa High School Rodeo Club. She is a member of HiLand Church Youth Group. She is enrolled in Pampa High School as a ninth grader and plans to compete in Tri-State High School Rodeo in the fall. Her future plans are to become a math teacher. (Sponsors: Florence McCunn, Pack & Mail and Four P Silver Co.)

Ashley Winton. Winton is the 14-year-old daughter of Joe and Lee Ann Winton of Pampa

and Shelda Winton of Nederland and is the granddaughter of Mary and Gib Winton of Pampa. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: Gifted and Talented; Choir; athletics; North West Oklahoma Junior Rodeo Association; Future Farmers of America; 4-H Horsemanship; Tri-State High School Rodeo Club;

and National Barrel Horse Association. She attends Calvary Baptist Church and is a member of CBC youth choir. She is enrolled in Pampa High School as a ninth grader. Her future plans are rodeoing and college. (Sponsors: Gib and Mary Winton, LA Joe's Horse Farms and Lee Ann's Grooming.)

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Rodeo, Teen Queen Scoring Chart

	Appear- ance	Person- ality	Horseman- ship	Ticket Sales	TOTAL SCORE
Susie Q.	24	25	23	0	72
Sally S.	20	18	20	25	83
Jane P.	15	20	19	16	70
Mary J.	21	23	15	20	79

The above chart is an explanation of how the scoring for the Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Pageant and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen Pageants is compiled. Top O' Texas Rodeo officials hope this will help clarify the method of scoring of the pageant. As demonstrated by the chart, it is possible for a contestant to win three out of four categories and not win the queen title as Susie Q did. It is also possible for a contestant to not win any categories and be named runner-up as Mary J. did. In the event of a tie of the total scores, the horsemanship category scores are used as the tie-breaker. Top O' Texas Rodeo Queen Pageant officials say the sale of tickets is an equally important part of the pageant because young ladies build their confidence and poise by selling tickets, and helps them to speak better in public.

FBI investigating cross burning

HOUSTON (AP)—The FBI continues investigating the burning of a cross in a black Houston family's front yard. Agents began interviewing witnesses and residents in the west Houston neighborhood Monday and continued through Wednesday evening. No arrests have been made.

Dwayne and Maria Ross told the Houston Chronicle that people have stopped by their house to express regret.

"People around here have been great to us," said Mrs. Ross, 36, a quality control manager for a mortgage company. "People have brought us flowers. One man came up to me with tears in his eyes over this."

The incident happened around dawn Monday when someone dug a shallow hole a few feet from an oak tree in the Rosses' front yard, then propped up a crude cross of 2-by-6 boards nailed together.

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You will recall that Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison was indicted in a political vendetta. Did this keep her from becoming a U.S. Senator?

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Inside the Beltway
 with
Sen. Hutchison

The buck stops in the Balkans

Fifty-six years ago, 176,000 allied soldiers landed on the beaches of Normandy in what was the largest invasion in history. The operation was officially known as Operation Overlord, but we all know it by one name: D-Day.

While there have been hundreds of other D-Days in other historic locations such as Okinawa and Iwo Jima, when we hear the term "D-Day," we reflect on that awful and incredible day in June, 1944 with reverence for what was accomplished and for all that was lost at Normandy Beach.

More than half a century later, American military forces still serve in Europe. Today the grandchildren of some of the very soldiers who participated in D-Day are serving in Italy, Belgium and Germany. But recently we have seen a gradual shift toward less traditional U.S. missions in Europe, particularly in Bosnia and Kosovo.

When the Cold War ended, the Wall came down and the Warsaw Pact disbanded. Military strategists began to talk of the need for our European military alliance to change its mission from simple mutual defense against a common threat. They warned that unless NATO could find a new reason to exist after the end of the Cold War, there may be no reason for it to exist at all.

That new mission began to come into focus in the Balkans five years ago when the United States committed peacekeeping forces to Bosnia to enforce the provisions of the Dayton Peace Accords. What was conceived by the administration as a one-year mission to accomplish specific military objectives is now in its fifth year — with greatly expanded civilian nation-building objectives and no end in sight to the deployment.

We also celebrated another anniversary in the search for new NATO missions. On June 10, 1999, NATO halted the bombing in Serbia and Kosovo. We again have deployed thousands of American forces to yet another Balkan quagmire with unclear objectives. This time the ethnic groups we seek to reconcile have not tired of the killing, apparently, and it continues as our soldiers stand by helpless to deter murder.

The General Accounting Office estimates that the cost of our Balkan peacekeeping missions in Bosnia and Kosovo now tops \$23 billion. But there are non-monetary costs as well. Recruiting and retention problems in the U.S. military services have been exacerbated by endless peacekeeping missions. Our armed services are not up to their congressionally-mandated troop strength, and America's peacekeeping burden has resulted in two of our Army divisions reporting as unfit for combat.

As the world's only superpower, we have a responsibility to lead. America led when we first brought the parties together in Dayton. The Peace Accords stopped the fighting, and we should be respectful of that achievement. But we did not create effective economic and political structures necessary for lasting peace. As one American military peacekeeper said to me on a recent visit, "Everyone's job in Bosnia is to work on the problems we face, but no one seems to have the responsibility for actually solving those problems."

It is time to stop drifting and establish a policy to solve these problems. That is why I have introduced legislation to authorize the Balkan Stabilization Conference. It would reconvene the parties to the Dayton Peace Accords that ended the Bosnia conflict, those who were involved in the peace agreement after the bombing of Kosovo, and other regional entities. We must review our progress to date and seek a long-term settlement. If we cannot do that, how can we call ourselves leaders?

The key will be a peace based on greater self-determination for the governed, which may involve tailoring current borders to fit the facts on the ground. That would create conditions of genuine stability, reconstruction and prosperity. It will allow us, in a responsible way, to set some timetables, some measurements for success, and, hopefully, to begin turning over these peacekeeping responsibilities to our European allies within a reasonable time frame.

Self-determination is critical. The current policy is based on a mirage of multi-cultural democracy in the Balkans. We are trying to create governments that ignore history. Elections have been held in which refugees were bused into disputed regions to vote for elected officials who cannot serve because they are unable to return to their prewar homes. American officers spend their days deciding which vehicles can travel down which roads, and escorting Serb families in hostile Albanian territory to the derelict and back.

This effort is diverting the United States from its global responsibilities. North Korea, mainland China and Iraq are hostile regimes with ballistic missiles that continue to pose a danger. But time and again, U.S. military resources needed to answer these direct threats to our national interest have been diverted to peacekeeping contingencies on the periphery of our security concerns.

I wrote my legislation to spur the development of long-term strategy for the Balkans. I do not know for certain what the outcome of the Balkan Stabilization Conference should be, but I do know it is our responsibility to convene one and assess where we are, look with vision to the future, and create the conditions for peace and prosperity there. Only such a plan will eventually free the United States to address its global superpower responsibilities.

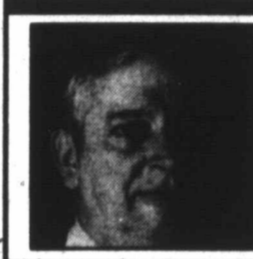
Overpopulation could happen here

The summer rains are late this year, and there are fires in woods scattered around Florida. They are not yet as large as they were two years ago. If the rain cycle doesn't start soon, the fires will get bigger and more numerous, and some people will lose homes.

The lateness of the rains and the fires are not unnatural. What is unnatural are so many homes built in the woods and on the edge of woods. Florida was not designed by nature for 14 million people. There are too many people here and too many people everywhere else.

I don't understand why some conservatives reject any talk of overpopulation. They act as if such talk were a socialist plot. Some like to play statistical games. They like to claim Earth has plenty of space for twice the 6 billion people already here. It might if you count the sides of active volcanoes, deserts, steep mountains and the frozen tundra regions. But only a few people can live and survive in those regions.

Another game they play is to divide the population by food production. They show that there is ample food per capita. So what. When has the existence of a supermarket in the Bronx ever prevented someone from starving to death in Somalia? Famines are never the result of no food. They are the result of no food for the people who are starving. If you are dying of dehydration in the desert, the waterfall in Yosemite National Park doesn't do you any



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

good. Statistics have become a curse. Statistics are nothing more than counts and measurements. They can never prove anything. Still, some people substitute statistics for thinking. Many people, in fact, recall data or use their imaginations but never think. It's evident in political discussions, which I've learned to avoid. It is not good for one's digestion and nerves to be reminded that so many political leaders in this country are both illogical and poorly educated.

It would be a good idea if every country practiced birth control. Abortion, of course, is not birth control. It's infanticide. There is no need to resort to mass murder to deal with population problems.

It would be a good idea if the United States reduced legal immigration. At the present, it's running close to 1 million people a year. Another 250,000 or so come in illegally. One of the consequences of the world's population

growth is that people are migrating from areas where they can only subsist to areas where they think they can live better.

In theory, it's nice to be compassionate and say to everyone, "Y'all come." In practice, it will very soon get down to the hard proposition of protecting one's own living space and resources. If I wanted to live in a place as crowded as China or India, I would move there. I do not wish to see America as crowded as those countries. That is not a future I want for my children and grandchildren. I'm willing to be as hardhearted as it takes to prevent that kind of future.

Unfortunately, Congress does not share my views, and most people seem to be so absorbed in entertainment and moneymaking that they have no time left to worry about the country or the future. Population growth can be unlimited, but finite resources are most definitely limited. Topsoil, for example, is easy to lose but almost impossible to replace.

Perhaps when more houses burn, when more water tables drop, when more topsoil blows away, when more plagues sweep the planet, when more people starve, when energy becomes unaffordable, then people will get around to worrying about the country or the future. Unfortunately, the future they should have worried about will be that time be their present.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, June 22, the 174th day of 2000. There are 192 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 22, 1940, during World War II, Adolf Hitler gained a stunning victory as France was forced to sign an armistice eight days after German forces overran Paris.

On this date:

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte abdicated a second time.

In 1868, Arkansas was re-admitted to the Union.

In 1870, Congress created the Department of Justice.

In 1911, Britain's King George V was crowned at Westminster Abbey.

In 1938, heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis knocked out Max Schmeling in the first round of their rematch at Yankee Stadium.

In 1944, President Roosevelt signed the G.I. Bill of Rights.

In 1945, the World War II battle for

Okinawa officially ended; 12,520 Americans and 110,000 Japanese were killed in the 81-day campaign.

In 1969, singer-actress Judy Garland died in London at age 47.

In 1970, President Nixon signed a measure lowering the voting age to 18.

In 1993, former first lady Pat Nixon died in Park Ridge, N.J., at age 81.

Ten years ago, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela told the United Nations a democratic,

nonracial South Africa was "within our grasp."

Five years ago, House and Senate Republicans announced agreement on a compromise seven-year budget-balancing plan that would cut taxes by \$245 billion and slow spending for Medicare, Medicaid and dozens of other programs. Riot police stormed a hijacked jumbo jet in Hakodate, Japan, freeing all 364 people on board and capturing a lone hijacker.

Clinton: Farewell to arms control?

Despite President Clinton's efforts to build a legacy in his remaining days in office, he seems likely to become the first president in decades to fail to negotiate a major agreement with Moscow on strategic arms.

And with the clock ticking, his job isn't being made any easier by Republicans in Congress bent on thwarting his negotiating authority — or by growing international alarm over U.S. plans for a national missile defense.

The disclosure of missing computer hard drives containing nuclear weapons data at the Los Alamos nuclear laboratory in New Mexico has only further hardened GOP animosity toward the Clinton administration's national security policy.

It's likely to spill over into Clinton's attempts to reach further agreements on nuclear weapons. "It's an enormous embarrassment," said Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee.

Senate Foreign Relations Chairman Jesse Helms, R-N.C., has said any arms-control pact Clinton negotiates this late in his presidency will be "dead on arrival" in his committee.

And the Senate added an amendment to a defense spending bill that would effectively deny Clinton an authority presidents of both parties before him have had — the ability to make unilateral reductions in nuclear arms.

Dramatic unilateral cuts in the U.S. tactical nuclear forces deployed in Europe by then-President Bush in September 1991 prompted then-Soviet Union President Mikhail Gorbachev to withdraw all tactical weapons from outside Russian territory and to dismantle thousands of warheads.

At the same time the Republican-led Senate was denying Clinton this authority, it voted to give it to the next president. Senate

Tom Raum
AP Special correspondent

Republicans are betting that will be Texas GOP governor, George W. Bush.

Bush has recommended deep reductions in the U.S. nuclear arsenal — now at the 7,200 Cold War-vintage level — whether Russia makes corresponding cuts or not.

He also has urged Clinton to make no new arms control pacts with Russia that he might have to renegotiate.

Clinton has said he will ignore such a recommendation, but he's had little luck in coming up with any such agreement, partly because of his advocacy of a missile-defense program.

Now, two leading Senate Democrats on foreign policy issues — Joseph Biden of Delaware, the senior Democrat on the Foreign Relations Committee, and John Kerry of Massachusetts, a committee member — have come forth and urged Clinton to leave missile-defense decisions to the next president.

After opposing Republican plans for a missile defense for most of the first six years of his presidency, Clinton did an about-face in late 1998 and agreed to support such a concept. His condition was that the system be designed to stop a limited missile attack from what the United States considers "rogue" states like North Korea, Iran or Iraq.

"The world changed very vividly when the North Koreans fired that missile," Clinton's top adviser on Russia, Strobe Talbott, said recently, referring to North Korea's August 1998 launch of a multistage missile over Japan.

So far, Clinton has been unable to persuade

either Russia or America's European allies to go along with such a system. Nor is Russia willing to modify the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile treaty to permit such a system.

The controversy has had a chilling effect on arms reduction proposals.

The START II treaty, negotiated by Bush and Gorbachev and establishing reductions to 3,000 to 3,500 warheads on each side, has yet to take effect.

The cash-strapped Russian government has proposed going as low as 1,500 warheads as part of a future START III agreement, compared with the 2,000 to 2,500 warhead level the United States has suggested.

The domestic dispute over missile defense has put such talks on hold. Russian President Vladimir Putin rejected Clinton's appeals for Russian support to modify the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile treaty to allow such a system.

And, while some White House officials hold out the possibility of a late-term agreement, Putin is mindful that missile defense and arms control have become presidential campaign issues and that, either way, he'll be dealing with someone other than Clinton.

Presidents Kennedy, Johnson, Ford, Reagan and Bush successfully negotiated major nuclear disarmament agreements with Moscow. President Carter negotiated one but had to withdraw it from Senate consideration in 1980 after Soviet troops invaded Afghanistan.

"What would be most tragic about the possible failure of the administration to conclude an agreement with Russia is that the opportunity for success has been so great after the end of the Cold War," said Daryl Kimball, executive director of the Coalition to Reduce Nuclear Dangers, an arms-control advocacy group.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. 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.

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.

LAS PAMPA WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY
Las Pampa Water Garden and Koi Society meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Austin Elementary School. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Lance DeFever.

PAS DANCE
Pampa Area Singles will hold a dance from 8-11 p.m. June 24 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Music will be by Mike Porter. Participants should bring snacks and finger food. The event will be alcohol and smoke free. For more information, call 665-7059.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB
Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club will hold its monthly luncheon from 11:45-1 p.m., Thursday, June 29 at Furr's Cafeteria. Visitors are welcome. The group will have a guest speaker.

FRONTIER REGIMENT MEETING
Frontier Regiment, a newly formed reenactment unit of the 1800s, will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22 at Gray County Courthouse in Pampa. Visitors are welcome.

PAMPA LODGE #966
Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 will install officers at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 24 at the lodge located at 420 W. Kingsmill.

LAKE MCCLELLAN IMPROVEMENT INC.
Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. will sponsor a 60th anniversary celebration from 9 a.m. until the fireworks display at dark Saturday, July 1 at the lake. The event is open and free to the public from 9 a.m. until the fireworks display at dark and will include the following activities: games, prizes, drawings, horseshoe tournament, kiddie rides, pony wagon rides, Route 66 Cloggers, Madeline Graves Dance Student, live bands fishing tournament, 4th Calvary with buffalo burgers, mountain men, food, crafts, Indian jewelry and a no fee talent show. Deadline for entries is June 28. The fishing

tournament will be open to youth 4-12 years of age and will be held from 12 noon-4 p.m. Entries for the tournament are due by 11:45 a.m. July 1.

NOEP PROGRAM
The Nurse Oncology Education Program and Amarillo College will present "Growing Up With Cancer: A Family Focus" from 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., July 14 in AC's West Campus Lecture Hall, Amarillo. The conference will be worth 7.7 Type I contact hours for nurses and 0.6 CEUs for social workers. Early registration is \$45. Students must provide a copy of student ID and pay a \$10 (post-marked on or before July 7) registration fee. On-site and late registration will cost \$60. For more information, call 1-800-515-6770 or write: The Nurse Oncology Education Program, Growing Up With Cancer, 7600 Burnet Rd., Suite 440, Austin, TX 78757.

GEM THEATRE
The Gem Theatre in Claude will present the Community Heritage Players at 7:30 p.m. July 16 and 17. The group is under the direction of Dr. Carale Manning-Hill. The entertainment will feature an old-fashioned melodrama. The cast will include Wayne Blodgett, Terresa Collins, Jeremy Collins, Terrill Conrad, Michael Green, Dixie Hunsaker, Kym Klarich, Carl Lansbury and Janet Westbrook. After intermission, Deanna Campbell will present a medley of musical favorites. Tickets are available at the door or in advance by calling (806) 226-5409.

BROWN BAG BOOK SALE
Friends of the Amarillo Public Library will hold a Brown Bag Book Sale from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. July 13-15 in the basement of Central Library, 4th and Buchanan, Amarillo. All items will be 1/2 price July 13 and brown bag specials will be offered July 14 (\$2 a bag) and 15 (\$1 a bag). Funds will support Amarillo Public Library. For more information, call (806) 378-4226.

FPC COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFERINGS
Frank Phillips College in Borger will offer continuing education and community service programs this month. The courses include: Kids' College Session III, June 26; Windows 98, June 22-July 20; MS Word, June 21-July 19; and Basic Life Support - Bloodborne Pathogen, Adult CPR, Infant/Child CPR and Community First Aid, June 24. For more information, call 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

NATURE HIKES
Palo Duro Canyon State Park will offer several nature hikes throughout the month of June. The following hikes are scheduled: June 3, "Wildflower Tour," at Paseo Del Rio trail hike; June 10, "Botany Basics," and June 24 nature hike, both at Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail; and June 17, Sunflower Trail hike, Sunflower Trail. Each hike will begin at 9 a.m. Participants are urged to bring water, a hat, bug spray and good walking shoes. For more information, call the park at (806) 468-2227, ext. 49.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER
The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: May 8 and June 12, First United Methodist Church Educational

Building, 201 E. Foster, and June 23, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, Pampa; May 16, Parkview Hospital, 901 S. Sweetwater, Wheeler; and May 5 and 17, Hemphill County Hospital, 1020 S. 4th, Canadian; May 23, Family Care Center, 1010 S. Main, Shamrock. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

BOY SCOUTS
The Golden Spread Council of Boy Scouts of America is open to boys between the ages of 6 and 18 and includes a 27-county area in the Texas Panhandle. The BSA program includes Club Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing, a new program for 14- to 20-year-old boys and girls. For more information, call (806) 358-6500.

CASE
Cultural Academic Student Exchange is seeking families of all types — retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples — to host a high school exchange student. For more information, call 877-846-5848.

TEACHERS CONSERVATION INSTITUTE
Registration is currently under way for Texas Forestry Association's week-long Teacher's Conservation Institute summer workshop to be held June 25-30, July 9-14 and July 16-21. Teachers will receive a first-hand look at forestry in East Texas by touring forest product mills, a Tree Farm, a logging operation, a nursery and a seed orchard. They will also be trained in Project Learning Tree and Project WILD. The first session is currently full but spaces are still available for the other two sessions. Registration is \$75 and includes all food, lodging and materials for a week. For a free brochure or for more information, call TFA at (409) 632-TREE; e-mail ccalthoun@texasforestry.org; or write P.O. Box 1488, Lufkin, TX 75902.

TEXAS' ANNIVERSARY TICKETS
Tickets for the 35th anniversary season of the outdoor musical drama "TEXAS" (June 7-Aug. 19, 2000) are now available for purchase on-line at www.texasmusicaldrama.com. For more information, call (806) 655-2181.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOOKLET
The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, D.C., recently published a 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs." The revised third edition provides information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Prescription Drug Booklet #: PDF-370, P.O. Box 462, Elmira, NY 14902-0462. The information is also available at www.institute-dc.org.

U.S.N. ARMED GUARD VETERANS
U.S.N. Armed Guard World War II veterans are seeking former gun crew members. The guards

were a special branch of the WWII Naval Service who manned guns and communications on Liberty Ships, tankers, troopships and other small crafts. Contact: U.S.N. Armed Guard WWII Veterans, Charles A. Lloyd Chairman, 115 Wall Creek Drive, Rolesville, N.C. 27571 919-570-0909. Ex-guards should include a list of ships served aboard along with dates on and off for computer data file to help locate other shipmates. The U.S.N. Armed Guard 19th National Reunion will be May 21-24, 2000, at Drawbridge Estate Hotel in Fort Mitchell, Ky, 1-800-354-9793-9866.

AMERICA'S HOMECOMING QUEEN
America's Homecoming Queen, Inc., a non-profit organization promoting education, educational travel and non-violence in schools will celebrate its 20th anniversary in 2000 for 1981-00 high school homecoming queens. For more information, call, e-mail or write: (901) 794-8680; Telee@pacbell.net; 6135 Mt. Moriah, Suite 111, Memphis TN, 38115.

T.O.P.S. #149
Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

T.O.P.S. #41
Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

AL-ANON
Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky.

VFW CHARITY BINGO
The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS
The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at 822 E. Foster. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL
A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. This week we are discussing the negative symptoms of paranoid schizophrenia. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

SUMMER STORY HOURS
Lovett Memorial Library Summer Story Hours will be at 10 a.m. Monday and Tuesday in the library auditorium through July 25. Shanla Brookshire, children's librarian, is in charge of the free program. No registration is required. Groups interested in participating in the program may contact Brookshire to arrange dates and times. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

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Plaintiffs in Branch Davidian trial wrap up testimony on raid to focus on siege

WACO, Texas (AP) — Plaintiffs in the Branch Davidian wrongful death trial have wrapped up their testimony on the bloody 1993 raid and were expected to focus Thursday on the FBI's actions on the final day of the siege.

Michael Caddell, lead counsel for the plaintiffs, said he will begin presenting testimony on the three remaining issues of the case:

— Whether government agents contributed or helped cause fires that destroyed the compound at Mount Carmel.

— Whether the government was negligent by withholding firefighting equipment.

— And whether using tanks to push into the compound deviated from the operations plan approved by Attorney General Janet Reno.

Reno's videotaped deposition could be presented.

"You will see the testimony of the FBI leadership on the demolition issue. You will see the FBI leadership say it was not consistent with the plan to start demol-

ishing the building," Caddell said.

On Wednesday, an audiotaped drama of the government raid recounted the panic and terror of the first moments of the gunfight.

"There are 75 men around us and they are shooting at us at Mount Carmel!" sect member Wayne Martin screamed in the telephone. "Tell them there are children and women in here and to call it off!"

Pops of gunfire could be heard in the background as sheriff's officials on the phone scrambled to calm Martin while simultaneously trying to reach federal Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents at the scene.

The exchange was captured on 911 tapes by the McLennan County Sheriff's Office, whom Martin called when shooting started on Feb. 28, 1993.

The shooting began when federal agents tried to serve search and arrest warrants on the Mount Carmel complex outside Waco on suspected weapons violations. Four federal agents and

six Davidians died that day.

The ordeal ended 51 days later when the FBI tear-gassed the wooden complex and a fire engulfed the building. In the end, about 80 Davidians were killed either by gunfire or the blaze.

Survivors and family members of the Branch Davidians are seeking \$675 million in a wrongful death lawsuit that, among other things, argues that ATF agents fired indiscriminately, knowing women and children were inside.

The government contends that the Branch Davidians shot first during the raid and started the deadly fire.

Wednesday was the first time a jury heard the entire first tape capturing the beginning of the raid and siege. That segment included a recording of Martin's insistence that he had a right to shoot back.

"I have a right to defend myself! They started shooting first!" Martin yelled in a speakerphone to Sheriff's Lt. Larry Lynch.

Excerpts included recordings of Lynch trying to persuade Martin to maintain the cease fire so injured agents could be retrieved and to arrange help for injured people inside the compound.

RRC may borrow money to plug wells

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Texas Railroad Commissioner Tony Garza wants to seal abandoned oil and gas wells using money typically reserved by the state's water board to build wastewater plants.

Using the Oil Field Cleanup Fund, the state can seal about 1,600 deserted wells a year. But Texas must seal as many as 25,000 in upcoming years, the San Antonio Express-News reported in Thursday's editions.

The excess of abandoned oil and gas wells could result from a measure the Railroad Commission tentatively approved that would require oil and gas producers with non-producing wells to post large bonds.

Oil and gas producers may opt to go out of business rather than pay for their abandoned wells.

To stop the looming glut of abandoned wells, Garza is seeking a loan under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, managed by the Texas Water Development Board.

Abandoned wells could leak and contaminate aquifers and surface water, and the loan wouldn't increase fees or taxes, Garza said.

So far, negotiations between the two agencies are going well.

Texas Water Development Board spokesman Leonard Olson said federal rules governing the loan program recently were changed to permit paying for programs that address widespread contamination.

A committee of the board also ruled Tuesday the Railroad Commission could get a loan from the revolving fund.

Experts find no link between murder rates and economic slow down

By BRETT MARTEL
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A week after Mayor Marc Morial received a national award for overhauling the city police department and a coinciding drop in crime, two teen-agers were murdered after leaving a weekend party in an upscale neighborhood.

Four more people have been killed since then, the latest victims in a disturbing trend: There have been 110 murders in New Orleans this year, compared with 80 by the same time a year ago.

The bad news isn't limited to New Orleans. Selected checks of major cities, including Baltimore, Boston, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York and Philadelphia, found that murders are up over last year.

The increases follow a substantial drop in murder rates across the country during most of the last decade.

In May, the FBI said murder and other serious crimes reported to the police dropped for an eighth consecutive year in 1999, by far the longest-running crime decline on record. Murder was down 2 percent in cities over 500,000 and 8 percent overall.

Several leading criminal justice experts agreed that the public should no longer expect to see the same significant drops in the rate of violent crimes that occurred in the 1990s. But they were unsure whether this year's murder upswing is temporary or whether America's violent crime rate has reached its low point and will now increase.

"I call it the criminal justice limbo stick; at some point you can't go any lower," said James Alan Fox, a criminal justice professor at Northeastern University in Boston. "Certain types of murder are way down ... but the issue of thrill and revenge motivation is still here and remains as American as apple pie and we have not seen an abatement of this type of violence."

Steve Levitt, a University of Chicago economics professor who specializes in criminal justice issues, actually expects a long-term drop in violent crime. He said unabated prison growth has removed violent offenders from society and is serving as a deterrent.

Not all the news so far this year is bad. The murder rate for the first half of the year has dropped in some large cities, Denver and Phoenix among them, by as much as 28 percent.

But other experts aren't as optimistic as Levitt. "Demography is working against us," said Fox, noting the number of people between 14 and 20 — considered crime-prone ages — is

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growing. "If we don't pay attention, we could see youth violence so bad we'll look back on the 1990s and say, 'Those were the good old days.'"

When Morial took office in 1994, New Orleans had the nation's worst murder rate. That has fallen more than 50 percent since then, with 162 murders last year. At the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Seattle on June 10, Morial received the City Livability Award for turning things around.

But now New Orleans is on pace for 230 murders this year, the total in 1998. Police Superintendent Richard Pennington has blamed most of the killing on drug gangs.

The real question may be why the city's 1999 rate was so low, according to Al Blumstein, a criminal justice professor at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. He said last year's tally was an anomaly.

Unlike Fox, Blumstein sees less of a threat posed by the growing population of young people. The crime rate for that age group has been falling at about 5 percent, he said, and he expects violent crime rates to level off.

"We've solved the easy stuff, now it's going to be a lot harder to go beyond that," he said. None of the experts found evidence that the increase in some city murder rates is due to an economic slowdown.

Morgan Reynolds, a Texas A&M economics professor and director of criminal justice at the National Center for Policy Analysis in Dallas, instead suggested that recent public embarrassments for police in Los Angeles and New York has left officers more gun shy about the way they treat suspects.

"We may be seeing something here in terms of temporary drop in police efficiency because of either morale, corruption or scandal," he said.

On the Net:
Justice Department homicide link:
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/homicide/homtrnd.htm>
FBI: <http://www.fbi.gov>
Other background:
<http://www.ncpa.org/pi/crime/crime.html>

PFAA summer classes



(Community Camera photos by Judy Elliott)

Pampa Fine Arts Association recently conducted its summer arts courses. Under the direction of Kay Crouch, six classes were taught — beading, watercolor, pottery and drama for youth and basketweaving and photo coloring for high schoolers and adults. Above: Paige Hargus, left, and Samantha Turley practice "mirror exercises" in drama class which was taught by Heather Fuentes.

Photos said to uncover surface water on Mars

WASHINGTON (AP) — A sharp-eyed spacecraft camera orbiting Mars has spotted v-shaped gullies and trenches that appear to have been carved by fast-flowing water, say experts familiar with a new study of the Red Planet.

While the finding by the Mars Global Surveyor spacecraft is tentative, experts said Wednesday that the presence of liquid water would profoundly improve the chances of life existing on Mars.

"Life tends to like liquid water," said Dr. Hugh H. Kieffer, a planetary scientist with the U.S. Geological Survey in Flagstaff, Ariz. "Lots of people are searching very hard and would like to find water."

In a study to be published next week, scientists Michael Malin and Ken Edgett report that high resolution photos from Surveyor

clearly show channels heading steeply downhill on the interior walls of craters gouged from the Martian surface by impacting asteroids.

NASA scheduled a news conference Thursday to announce the findings. Science, a leading peer-reviewed journal, advanced by a week the embargo on the study, but did not plan to release the paper until Thursday.

Malin and Edgett, both staff scientists for Malin Space Science Systems in San Diego, are said to report that the Surveyor photos suggest strongly that there is liquid water in the upper crust of Mars and that it has flowed in relatively recent times.

"Their interpretation of the photos is that these (the channels) are signs of water seepage and runoff," said an expert familiar with the study who asked not to be identified. "The key finding is that the photos give evidence of water in the Martian crust."

"If you saw these channels on Earth, you would know they were cut by water," added a second source familiar with the study.

This source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there are very few craters and other erosion features near the water flow channels. This smooth surface indicates that the water flow

was "very recent in geologic time."

Previous studies had detected land features on Mars carved by water, but all of those were billions of years of old, the source said.

"The significance of this finding is that it happened within years measured by thousands or millions," he said. All evidence of Martian water flow in the past has been aged at "not less than a billion years," he said.

Earlier studies have found evidence that Mars once had oceans, rivers and lakes and that the planet was warm with a thicker atmosphere. Over time, Mars lost its atmosphere and became very cold. The atmospheric pressure now is so low that liquid water converts directly into a vapor, and it is thought that much of Mars' water has escaped into space in that form.

But there is evidence of water trapped as ice at the Martian poles and experts speculate Mars may have underground lakes and aquifers.

Philip Christensen, an Arizona State University scientist who was only told about the Malin and Edgett paper, said their interpretation of the photos is consistent with water flowing from near the bottom of a deep pit gouged by an asteroid.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill
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HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) Courson Oil & Gas, Inc., #2-14 Flowers, 555' from South & 2200' from East line, Sec. 14,41,H&TC, PD 8250'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & CARRIE KILLEBREW Douglas) Alpar Resources, Inc., #1 Courson-Lips '3', 660' from North & West line, Sec. 3,44,T.E. White, PD 6200'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & THREE CORALS Upper Morrow) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1-211 Payne Ranch, 1050' from South & 2300' from East line, Sec. 211,42,H&TC, PD 9500'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Wuestar E&P Co., #3025 Stiles, 1980' from South & 1320' from West line, Sec. 25,A-3,H&GN, PD 12700'.

OIL Well Completions HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #133 Herring 'A', E. Almaguie Survey, spud 2-27-00, drlg. compl 3-2-00, tested 5-26-00, pumped 23.2 bbl. of 39 grav. oil + 46 bbls. water, GOR 5129, TD 3411', PBTD 3364'.

WHEELER (MILLS RANCH Granite Wash) Chevron USA, Inc., #3 Lister, Sec. 2,—BBB&C, spud 5-1-00, drlg. compl 5-1-00, tested 5-25-00, flowed 37 bbl. of 60 grav. oil + 6 bbls. water thru open choke on 24 hour test, GOR 2730, TD 16797', PBTD 12192'.

Gas Well Completions HUTCHINSON (BAR NINE Dolomite) Alpar Resources, Inc., #1 Kay, Sec. 1,3,BS&E, spud 3-21-00, drlg. compl 4-11-00, tested 5-00, potential 344 MCF, TD 6609', PBTD 3280' — Plug-Back

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Panhandle Chapter of Multiple Sclerosis Society to hold 30th annual BEEFaTHON

Area cattle feed yards and ranchers donate beef to be sold both in custom-cut quarters and ground beef packages. Edes Custom Meats and Swisher Meats will process cattle and package beef quarters according to custom orders.

AMARILLO — The Panhandle Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will air its 30th MS BEEFaTHON from 12 noon-5:30 p.m. Sunday, June 25. Phones will be open from 12 noon-6 p.m. to accept bids and the event will be broadcast from Northwest Teas Healthcare System Pavilion Auditorium. Proceeds will benefit the chapter which generates approximately \$45,000 from the BEEFaTHON, a 5 1/2-hour televised auction. The auction is unique by targeting the beef industry and the NMSS Panhandle Chapter is the only chapter in the nation to hold an

Study: Navy sonar affects whales' songs

A powerful new sonar being tested by the Navy affects the length of humpback whale songs but doesn't seem to lead to any other extreme behaviors, according to a new study. Scientists reported Thursday the low-frequency, high-range sonar used to detect submarines extended the mating songs of some humpbacks while others stopped singing altogether. "We looked for any sorts of extreme responses like breaching, where the animal would jump out of the water and swim rapidly away from the sonar," said Patrick Miller, the study's lead author and a researcher at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. "We didn't observe any sorts of extreme reactions."

The new sonar has come under greater scrutiny after a biologist hired by the National Marine Fisheries Service suggested a possible link between Navy traditional sonar, tests and ear hemorrhages that fatally disoriented the animals.

In March, at least 16 whales of four different species beached themselves in the Bahamas. Seven died, and initial autopsies suggested the deaths might have been linked to the Navy tests.

The latest research took place off Hawaii in 1998. Miller and his colleagues first recorded the whale songs without the sonar and later asked the Navy to transmit the signals.

Of the 16 whales monitored, five stopped singing altogether. The remainder sang on average 29 percent longer when the sonar was activated than without it. The findings appear in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*.

The research, sponsored by the Navy but conducted by independent scientists, said it wasn't clear how much of a threat the sonar and its effects on mating songs pose to whales.

The whales might just be compensating for the noise, Miller said. Still, he added, the Navy should avoid active breeding areas when using the new sonar.

"We need to take a common-sense approach to reducing how much animals are exposed to sound — not only Navy sonar but all the sounds in the ocean like shipping traffic, whale watching traffic, construction and underwater explosions," Miller said.

Two guards shot, killed at county jail

HUNTSVILLE, Mo. (AP) — A man and woman opened fire in a county jail early Thursday killing the supervisor and a jail guard before fleeing the scene, authorities said.

The man and woman rang the overnight buzzer at the Randolph County Jail about 12:30 a.m. and began shooting when a guard opened the door, said Lyndell Roth, a spokesman for the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Killed were Leon Egle, the supervisor of the jail, and Jason Acton, a jail guard, Sheriff Don Ansell said. Their ages were not immediately available.

Roadblocks were set up around the county before daybreak as authorities searched for the suspects. The man and the woman fled in a red car, Roth said.

package beef quarters according to custom orders. An additional 25-cents per pound will be charged to Edes Meats and Swisher Meats for the custom cutting. Extra lean ground beef will be sold in 15-pound lots at a set price of \$30.

News personalities from KFDA Channel 10 in Amarillo will serve as MCs for this year's event. Other on-air personalities will include Mary Lyn Halley of KGNC radio; Beford Forrest, longtime farm and ranch reporter; Northwest Texas Healthcare System VIPs; Jim Simms of Amarillo National Bank; local dignitaries; and MS volunteers.

Beef donors will include: Attebury Family, Bar G Feedyard, Beef Tech Cattle Feeders, C&R Cattle, Cactus Feedyard, Canadian Feedyards, Carson County Feedyards, Cattle Town, Inc., Champion Feeders, Cimarron Feeders, Circle Three Feedyards, Coronado Feeders, Dawn Cattle Feeders, Dean Cluck Feedyard, Double A Feeders, Hartley Feeders, Heritage Beef Cattle Co., Keeling Cattle Feeders, Kirkland Feedyard, Bill Masterson, McCloy Feedyard, McLean Cattle Co., Inc., Paco Feedyard, Palo Duro Feedyard, Perryton Feeders, Inc., Quien Sabe Ranch, Rafter 3 Feedyard, Inc., Randall County Feedyard, Swisher County Cattle Co., Tascosa Feedyard, Inc., Texas Beef Producers, Tulia Feedyard, Inc., Union County Feedyard, Walter Lasley & Son, Inc., Wheeler Feedyard, Inc., Wrrangler Feedyard and XIT Feeders. Monetary donors include David Hales, Mc 6 Cattle Feeders and Pride Feeders, Inc.

Bids can be placed by calling (806) 351-4233. For long distance, call 1-877-287-2333. The toll-free number is courtesy of NTS Communications. Sponsors for the event are Berlex Laboratories, Biogen, Teva Marion Partners and Amarillo National Bank.

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90 years young



(Special photo)

A surprise reception honoring Ollie Knotts was held recently at Hughey House Bed and Breakfast. Knotts will be 90 July 8. She has three children, the late Bess Pruitt of Midland, Joy Shelton of Pampa and Tom Rideout of Midland; 10 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren. She is sitting with her grey poodle, DeeDee, who resides with her at Meredith House.

Owner of sausage factory in custody for allegedly gunning down inspectors

SAN LEANDRO, Calif. (AP) — A man who protested government inspections of his sausage factory was in custody Thursday after allegedly shooting three inspectors to death and chasing a fourth with a gun after they showed up for a visit.

The Santos Linguisa factory had recently reopened after being closed for health violations. Its owner, Stuart Alexander, is a former mayoral candidate in this Bay Area community with a history of legal and financial problems.

The bodies of the three victims — two inspectors for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and a state meat inspector — were found in a corner office Wednesday. They had multiple gunshot wounds.

The names of the two men and woman were not immediately released.

The fourth inspector narrowly escaped, fleeing down the street as Alexander ran after him and fired in his direction, San Leandro Police Lt. Dan Marchetti said.

Alexander, 39, eventually turned around, set the gun down inside the factory and waited outside, he said. He was captured without incident a few minutes later.

A sign outside the factory, which has been in Alexander's family for three generations, decried alleged harassment by inspectors. It was signed by Alexander.

"To all our great customers, the USDA is coming into our plant harassing my employees and me, making it impossible to make our great product," the sign reads. "Gee, if all meat plants could be in business for 79 years without one complaint, the meat inspectors would not have jobs. Therefore, we are taking legal action against them."

Danny Gomes, a friend of Alexander's who waited outside the police tape at the factory for news, told The Daily Review of Hayward that Alexander was upset because inspectors wanted him to raise the temperature of his meat while preparing sausage.

"He was a good man, but pressure, pressure —

everybody blows up under pressure," said Michael Smith, another friend.

Phone messages left with the USDA's Food Safety Inspection Service in Washington and with the state health department were not immediately returned.

The unarmed inspectors arrived at about 2 p.m. and called a supervisor to say that Alexander was not there, Marchetti said. The shooting started 90 minutes later inside the storefront factory, where about 10 employees worked for Alexander.

Police found three guns inside the plant, located a few miles south of Oakland. FBI spokesman Andrew Black said federal agents also are investigating.

Alexander was taken to the San Leandro city jail, arrested on suspicion of murder and attempted murder. Federal charges are possible.

The factory was closed in January and reopened in March, according to Jackie Galvan, a longtime friend of Alexander. She said he had been harassed for months, and that inspectors would show up frequently, bothering employees.

"He did everything they asked of him," Galvan said. "He was the most mild-mannered person I've ever known."

Marchetti had a different view. "He was pretty vocal about, well, everything," Marchetti said. "A lot of people apparently had words with him. I don't know of any recent threats, however."

Alexander, who ran for mayor of San Leandro in 1998, was arrested in 1996 on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon, elder abuse and other charges for allegedly attacking his 75-year-old neighbor after they argued over garbage on Alexander's property. The charges were dropped after Alexander paid his neighbor \$10,000, according to court records.

Alexander has filed for bankruptcy twice, most recently in January, according to court records. Several lawsuits claim that Alexander did not repay tens of thousands of dollars in personal loans.

Witness: Skakel was at scene of slaying

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) — When they were kids, Andrew Pugh and Michael Skakel would climb an enormous pine tree across the street from the Skakel family estate in the posh Greenwich enclave of Belle Haven.

The tree stood outside the home of 15-year-old Martha Moxley, a friend of Skakel. It was the same pine tree where Moxley's bludgeoned body was found Halloween morning 1975.

The tree was revisited Wednesday during a hearing to decide whether there is enough evidence to try Skakel, now 39, in Moxley's killing and whether the case should be transferred to adult court.

Pugh testified that Skakel told him years after Moxley's death that he had been in the pine tree masturbating late on Oct. 30, the night Moxley was killed, "but that he had nothing to do with her death."

That account is similar to what Skakel told a private investigative firm hired by his family in the early 1990s. It was a change from the story he originally gave to police: that he was at his cousin's house at the time investigators believe Moxley was killed.

On cross-examination, Skakel's defense attorney, Michael Sherman, grilled Pugh on why he waited until 1998 to tell police about Skakel's story about being at the scene of the crime.

"At that time, there really was no evidence that

Michael was involved," Pugh said. "Perhaps I should have done that. Perhaps it was an error on my part."

Sherman also suggested repeatedly that Skakel never told Pugh that the pine tree they climbed as kids was the same tree Skakel told him he climbed the night of Moxley's killing. Pugh acknowledged that Skakel didn't actually say it was the same tree.

Skakel, a nephew of the late Robert F. Kennedy, was arrested in January after a grand jury consisting of a single judge found there was enough evidence to charge him in the case. He was 15 at the time of the slaying.

On Tuesday, former classmate Gregory Coleman testified that Skakel told him he beat Moxley's skull in with a golf club after she rejected his romantic advances. He said Skakel told him: "I'm going to get away with murder. I'm a Kennedy."

Coleman said Skakel made the statements in the late 1970s, while they both were students at a residential substance abuse treatment center in Maine.

During cross-examination Wednesday, Coleman admitted that he had told the grand jury that Skakel confessed to him five times, although he said on the stand Tuesday that Skakel confessed to him twice.

Coleman said he sometimes has trouble with his ability to recall. But he adamantly stood by his testimony that Skakel told him he killed Moxley.

Five New Jersey officers indicted in suspect's death

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Five police officers violated the civil rights of a suspect, beating, robbing and using pepper-spray on the handcuffed man because they mistakenly believed he had killed a colleague, federal officials said.

Earl Faison, 27, died after less than an hour in custody due to "egregious misconduct," including an attempted cover-up by two officers, U.S. Attorney Robert J. Cleary said Wednesday.

The five Orange, N.J. officers erroneously suspected Faison of

murdering Orange police Officer Joyce Carnegie last year. Another man — the fourth taken into custody — later confessed to the fatal shooting and is serving a life sentence.

The five-count indictment, returned Tuesday and unsealed Wednesday with the arrests of the officers, stems from a yearlong, continuing federal civil rights probe.

It said officers sought to "punish" Faison, who was arrested on April 11, 1999, three days after Carnegie was shot and killed while approaching a robbery suspect on a sidewalk.

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GOP's Medicare prescription drug plan goes to House floor

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican legislation to offer prescription drug insurance under Medicare is headed for the House floor after a contentious committee session that underscored the political stakes involved less than five months before elections.

"I'm happy to have you on the record," Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., said to Republicans shortly before they advanced the bill on a party-line vote late Wednesday.

"It's a political exercise on your part," he added, and vowed to pay for a campaign advertisement in the district of a committee Republican this fall "saying he doesn't care about seniors."

The Republican whom Stark mentioned, Rep. Clay Shaw of Florida, sat quietly a few feet away on the committee dais in the Ways and Means Committee room. "I guess he hasn't been on the positive side of a vote in six years," Shaw said afterward. "I guess it's getting to him."

The Republican bill would rely on private insurance companies, aided by government subsidies, to offer prescription drug coverage to seniors nationwide. It carries a price tag of \$40 billion over five years.

"We don't want the government to control health care," Rep. Jim McCrery, R-La., said in response to one of numerous Democratic objections to the GOP proposal. "They haven't done a particularly good job. We want to try the private marketplace."

The Republican bill includes subsidies for low-income senior citizens that would reduce or eliminate monthly premiums and

deductibles. Co-payments also would be reduced for the less well-off, although never eliminated entirely.

There are additional subsidies to cover catastrophic costs for all seniors who purchase insurance, regardless of their financial well-being.

The measure is penciled in for a floor vote next week, an ambitious schedule given the complexity of the issue and the political jockeying under way. A tough fight is expected, with Democrats laboring to hold down defections in hopes of denying Republicans a bipartisan victory they can trumpet in their campaigns this fall.

At the last minute Wednesday night, Democrats sweetened their own competing bill with \$21 billion in new spending for hospitals, home health providers, medical schools and others in the regular Medicare program. The money has no direct bearing on drug insurance, but could well give some wavering Democrats a reason to oppose the GOP bill.

On prescription drugs, Democrats backed an alternative for a uniform government-defined Medicare prescription drug benefit. They said repeatedly that Republicans couldn't guarantee their legislation would live up to its claim of offering all senior citizens a choice of two plans.

"There is no guarantee of any particular benefit," said Rep. Ben Cardin, D-Md. "Let's at least guarantee to our citizens there's a benefit."

Cardin's proposal to authorize the federal government to offer an insurance plan of its own in competition with private companies

was rejected — as were all Democratic attempts to make fundamental changes in the bill.

Final passage came on a party-line vote of 23-14. The outcome was the reverse on the Democratic alternative.

The current effort to provide prescription drug insurance results from a combination of economic and political factors.

The economic expansion has caused budget surpluses to swell beyond expectations, freeing funds for new programs. And in political terms, pollster Glen Bolger advised the GOP last week in a closed-door meeting that passage of a prescription drug bill was a "political imperative."

Republicans sought to blunt one Democratic charge in the committee deliberations — that private insurance companies would not offer policies for sale. Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., the chief architect of the bill, circulated a letter from a top official at Merck-Medco, a provider of pharmaceutical benefits to health plans. "We would work to develop a prescription drug-only plan ... nationwide in competition with others in what we expect will be a highly competitive market," it said.

Deductibles, co-payments and other out of pocket charges would vary under the GOP bill. Under a draft standard policy, officials estimated monthly premiums of up to \$40 and a \$250 annual deductible. Policyholders would pay half the cost of each prescription, until they reach a \$1,050 annual benefit limit. Coverage would then stop, but any costs over \$6,000 would be covered in full.

Nashville-based insurer to pay \$206 million in discrimination case

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Bessie Jones didn't earn much as a domestic worker and she didn't want her death to be a financial burden to her two children.

For much of her life, she gave a door-to-door salesman a few cents a week for burial insurance. What the 71-year-old grandmother didn't know was that as a black policyholder, she was being charged more than whites with similar risks.

American General Life and Accident Insurance Co., based in Nashville, Tenn., may not have known either that several smaller life insurance companies it purchased for years had a dual pricing system based on race.

But faced with a national investigation by insurance commissioners and a class-action lawsuit in federal court, American General settled charges of fraud and racial discrimination Wednesday, agreeing to pay holders of 9.1 million policies nationwide a total of \$206 million.

The settlement affects tens of thousands of people, many of them poor minorities who live in the South. All 50 states are expected eventually to join the agreement.

Many of the customers not only were overcharged because they were black, but also paid thousands of dollars in premiums on policies that will pay only a few hundred dollars when they die.

Jones, a retiree who lives in Sarasota, said her children wouldn't have gotten much out of the policies she paid for over the last several decades.

"They wouldn't have had enough money to bury me anyway," she said.

Under the settlement, American General, one of the nation's biggest life insurance companies, also will pay \$2 million to the NAACP and \$7.5 million in penalties to several states.

In Florida, which has the most policyholders, Insurance Commissioner Bill Nelson said several insurance companies now owned by American General began discriminatory sales practices decades ago, mostly to poor, uneducated blacks in the rural South.

"It's tragic this discrimination and exploitation occurred in the first place," Nelson said. "But it's incomprehensible this practice occurred up until just a few days ago."

American General said it believes the settlement is fair.

"We strongly believe that any pricing based on race is unacceptable and will not be condoned," American General chief executive Robert Devlin said. "American General moved swiftly and responsibly to correct the regrettable historical practice of differential pricing."

There are more policies under the settlement than customers because some people bought more than one policy.

In the most egregious cases of race-based overcharging, more than 300,000 people will be eligible for increased death benefits, and more than 100,000 of those people will also see premium refunds of at least \$150, Nelson said.

Many customers still paying premiums to companies owned by American General will get premium reductions.

Family of James Byrd Jr. sues his killers

HOUSTON (AP) — The children of a black man dragged to death behind a pickup truck in 1998 have filed a wrongful death suit against the three men convicted of his murder.

The lawsuit filed by the three children of James Byrd Jr. also names three Ku Klux Klan groups and three unidentified individuals, the Houston Chronicle reported in Thursday's editions.

The lawsuit says Shawn Allen Berry, 24, John William King, 25, and Lawrence Russell Brewer, 32, committed "the most heinous acts imaginable against an African-American for no reason other than he was an African-American."

On June 7, 1998, 49-year-old Byrd was beaten, hooked to Berry's pickup truck with a 24-foot logging chain, and dragged by his ankles over three miles of bumpy country road near Jasper. His shredded body was found the next day, torn in two, his headless torso left between a black church and black cemetery.

"This was a crime against the people of Texas and a crime against the African-American community," said Gary Bledsoe, president of the Texas chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and one of the attorneys who filed the lawsuit.

The suit seeks unspecified damages against all three men,

who were convicted of capital murder for their participation in the slaying.

Berry has been sentenced to life in prison, and is eligible for parole in 40 years, while King and Brewer were sentenced to death. All three men are appealing their convictions.

The lawsuit also names the Texas Rebel Soldiers, a group King and Brewer formed while previously in jail, the Huntersville, N.C.-based Confederate Knights of America,

as well as the Ku Klux Klan.

The lawsuit also claims three other individuals, identified only as John and Jane Doe and Richard Roe, encouraged, aided and abetted the three men in the killing of Byrd.

Bledsoe said those individuals have not been identified, but the case may reveal their identities as well as other details of the crime not discovered during the men's trials.

Jasper is about 115 miles northeast of Houston.

South Carolina Supreme Court upholds ban on video gambling

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — The state Supreme Court has upheld a looming ban on video gambling machines, perhaps the final blow to a \$3 billion industry that has argued the ban is unconstitutional.

"This issue is dead, and video poker is gone on July 1," House Speaker Pro Tem Terry Haskins said after Wednesday's ruling.

The ban was challenged by two operators who said the state was taking away their livelihood. The state argued that it was only denying permits for the games to operate in South Carolina, and the games could be operated elsewhere.

The five justices issued their unanimous opinion Wednesday without hearing oral arguments.

It was unclear whether the plaintiffs would appeal. Attorneys for the plaintiffs, Westside Quick Shop of Greenville and Winners Pot of Gold Hot Spot of Hartsville, did not return telephone messages seeking comment Wednesday.

The Legislature passed the ban last year, but gave voters the right to decide in a referendum planned for last November whether the games should remain legal. The Supreme Court blocked the referendum, saying the Legislature could not delegate its power.

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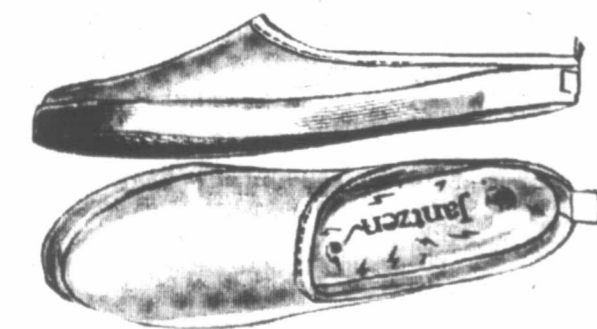
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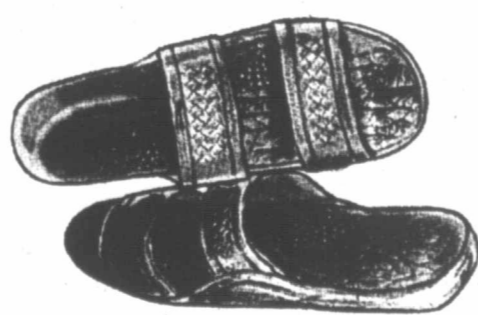
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White House livid at House for placing limits on its agreement with gun maker

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House officials are railing against a House vote to curb the administration's ability to bring more communities into the federal agreement with Smith & Wesson, the giant gun maker.

The House voted 218-207 to bar the Department of Housing and Urban Affairs from working to expand or administer the Communities for Safer Guns Coalition. In return for Smith & Wesson's promise to use gun-safety devices and restrictive sales practices, the 411 localities that have so far joined the coalition have agreed to make the company's firearms the preferred gun for their law enforcement agencies.

Rep. John Hostettler, R-Ind., who sponsored the provision, said in an interview afterward that the vote was "pretty significant" because it would mean that "local law enforcement agencies won't feel pressure from a federal agency ... in the procurement of firearms."

HUD Secretary Andrew Cuomo, a prime mover of the gun pact, said the vote "strikes at the heart of HUD's ability to work with local communities to reduce the awful toll of gun violence."

And in an election-year shot at

Republicans, he said the vote showed the House is "firmly in the hip holster of gun lobby extremists."

The provision was added to a \$101 billion spending bill for next year that already faces a veto threat for cuts it would make in President Clinton's plans for the environment, public housing and national service programs.

The House approved the overall bill by 256-169. But White House budget office spokeswoman Linda Ricci cast doubt on its fate.

"The gun language is just one more problem on what is already a very bad bill," she said.

Minutes after the vote, the House muddled its message by voting 219-206 to reject a second Hostettler provision that would have forbidden HUD outright from enforcing the March 17 federal agreement with Smith & Wesson, the nation's largest gun manufacturer. The two votes underlined the pressure lawmakers are under on the hot button issue of guns, especially with elections less than five months off.

Rep. James Walsh, R-N.Y., chief author of the spending bill, said during the debate that the measure provided no funds specifi-

cally for the gun agreement. That made the amendments "unnecessary," he said.

But Hostettler said later that the government often spends money for activities that are not specified in spending bills, such as for U.S. troops in Kosovo. With the success of his first amendment, he said, the Department of Housing and Urban Development would not be able to issue press releases or have its lawyers help the coalition of participating communities.

Rep. Carolyn McCarthy, D-N.Y., who led the opposition to Hostettler's amendments, said the success of his first amendment was "absolutely" a setback.

But she said she hoped the Senate, which has not yet written its version of the bill, would reject the proposal.

Hostettler said he would introduce similar amendments to future spending bills in an effort to bar the Justice Department and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms from participating in the pact.

As part of the gun agreement, Smith & Wesson agreed to start installing trigger locks and other gun-safety devices, such as using "smart gun" technology within three years that would allow only the weapon's owner to use it. In addition, the company agreed to take such steps as selling guns only after background checks of the purchaser.

Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., the Agriculture Committee chairman, said the bill was introduced earlier this month by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., the Agriculture Committee chairman.

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Greenspan criticizes double deposit insurance proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and the Clinton administration voiced opposition Wednesday to a proposal to double the limit on bank deposit insurance to \$200,000. Such a step would give "increased subsidies to upper-income individuals," Greenspan said.

Greenspan and Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers were asked their views on the proposal during testimony in support of unrelated legislation to modernize regulation of the nation's futures markets. The question came from Senate Banking Committee Chairman Phil Gramm, R-Texas.

Backers of the deposit insurance proposal, including major groups representing banks, say it is needed to take account of inflation since the limit was raised to \$100,000 per account in 1980.

A doubling of that limit "would be a major policy mistake," Greenspan said at the joint hearing of the Senate Agriculture Committee and the Senate Banking Committee.

Summers said such an increase would be "a serious public policy error" that could create risk for the financial system.

Donna Tanoue, head of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., said later in a statement the agency was weighing the proposal but had not endorsed it. "We respect the opinions of the Fed chairman and the secretary of the Treasury and will take them into account in our review," she said.

Greenspan and Summers expressed support for legislation to overhaul futures market regulation. The bill was introduced earlier this month by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., the Agriculture Committee chairman.

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Columbia anti-narcotics aid package advances in Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — After languishing for months, President Clinton's package of anti-narcotics assistance to Colombia is advancing in Congress.

The Senate demonstrated solid support for a \$934 million installment Wednesday evening, twice turning back efforts to trim the funds during debate on a \$13.4 billion foreign aid bill for next year.

The bulk of the Colombia money would go toward training special counter-narcotics battalions in the Colombian military and for dozens of American-made helicopters.

Colombia is by far the world's largest exporter of cocaine.

The overall foreign aid measure is \$1.7 billion less than Clinton had requested, drawing strong complaints — but no veto threats — from the administration.

The Senate cut Clinton's request for \$262 million for the world's poorest countries to just \$75 million.

The Senate was expected to vote final passage to the bill Thursday.

Key components: — Israel, at \$2.8 billion, remains the largest single recipient of U.S. aid. The Senate did not attach conditions, despite

complaints about Israel's proposed sale of a \$250 million spy plane to China. Egypt is second with \$2.0 billion.

Aid to Russia would be conditioned on Moscow's cooperation with international efforts to provide humanitarian assistance in Chechnya and to investigate human rights abuses there.

The bill includes \$25 million in disaster aid to flood-ravaged Mozambique.

The administration has been pressing Congress to finish work on the Colombian aid package for months.

It was originally part of \$5.2 billion that President Clinton requested in January that also included money for U.S. troops in Kosovo and for victims of last September's Hurricane Floyd.

The House approved a \$13 billion version on March 30, adding even more money for the Pentagon and domestic natural disasters and other projects.

But in the Senate, the bill was split into three pieces attached to other spending bills, with the Colombia money going onto the foreign aid one.

Among those criticizing the Colombia money were Democrats who said they would rather it be spent domestically to prevent drug use and Republicans reluctant to get involved in a South American civil war.

"Let's not get into another new armed conflict," said Sen. Slade Gordon, R-Wash.

His amendment to slash all but \$200 million of the funds was rejected 79-19. By a similar margin, the Senate also rejected an attempt by Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., to divert \$225 million to home-based drug abuse programs.

Library of Congress honors long-lived 'Blondie' cartoon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Not far from the display case of the revered 500-year-old Gutenberg Bible, the Library of Congress is opening a show Thursday devoted to one of the oldest surviving American comic strips — Chic Young's "Blondie."

Blondie Boopadoop, the dizzy flapper of the 1930s, remains as

slim and pretty as ever 70 years later, though she's been the mother of two teen-agers for decades and now is the proprietor of a prosperous catering business.

The exhibit, called "Blondie Gets Married!" features one of Young's earlier and favorite strips. It shows bridegroom Dagwood Bumstead dragging her off to Niagara Falls.

"You'll help me with the dishes, won't you darling?" she asks demurely.

"Yeh, but we'll worry about the dishes after we get back from our honeymoon," replies the panting Dagwood.

That's about as daring as the strip gets. Its innocent-looking teens, Alexander — ex-Baby Dumpling — and Cookie, rarely get into any trouble.

Dagwood, originally a playboy disinherited by his millionaire father, has evolved into a winch office worker who can never get a raise from his cantankerous boss, Mr. Dithers. This week he was slam-dunking bits of paper into a wastebasket while his colleagues were closing big contracts.

Murat Bernard "Chic" Young died in 1973 after drawing Blondie seven days a week for 43 years, producing more than 15,000 strips. His daughter Jeanne Young O'Neil, has given 150 originals to the library.

"My father would emerge from his studio each afternoon with the penciled proofstrips in hand and run them by my mother Athel Lindorf ... to get her expert opinion and, if necessary, spelling corrections," she wrote in a brochure to go with the show.

Of the library's collection, 27 will be displayed in its ground floor Swann Gallery, devoted to cartoon and illustration. The show also includes Paul Revere's depiction of the Boston Massacre of 1770 — a piece of propaganda that helped bring on the American Revolution.

Sara W. Duke, a curator of the show, said the strip — now continued by the originator's son, Dean Young — appears in 2,000 newspapers in 55 countries and 35 languages.

"International readers were often surprised when they found out that the comic strip did not originate in their own country," she wrote — perhaps an indication of how the American middle-class way of life has become familiar to the world.

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Keeping an Eye on Texas

Gas prices don't hamper holiday travel

According to the American Automobile Association, a record number of Americans traveled over the Memorial Day weekend despite higher fuel costs this year. AAA estimates more than 28 million travelers drove more than 100 miles, an increase of 3 percent from last year.

Texans did not spend as much as the average American to fill up their tanks.



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Wholesale gasoline prices drop in higher priced cities

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wholesale gasoline prices have dropped more than 25 cents a gallon over the past week in cities where prices at the pump are still over \$2 and, in fact, have gone up a couple of pennies. The industry says retailers just haven't yet caught up to the decline.

"Why are the consumers not seeing the benefit?" Carol Browner, head of the Environmental Protection Agency, asked Wednesday as she met with oil company executives and lawmakers from six Midwestern states.

Afterward she said the meeting "did not produce any real answers." Browner's office produced figures from OPIS Energy Group, a private company that tracks national energy prices in detail, that showed a dramatic decline in wholesale gasoline prices in the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Louis areas over the past week. All three areas are among cities that have been required to sell only a new blend of cleaner gasoline because of severe summer pollution problems.

According to the figures, wholesale prices in Chicago peaked at \$1.60 a gallon on June 15 and dropped to \$1.41 on Tuesday, plummeting an additional 10 cents the next day to \$1.31, a drop of 29 cents. Meanwhile, retail prices at the pump increased by two pennies to \$2.13 during the same week.

Retail prices in Milwaukee also increased slightly during the week to \$2.02 on Wednesday, while wholesale prices fell from \$1.58 on June 15

to \$1.33, a decline of 25 cents. St. Louis saw wholesale prices decline by 13 cents, while retail prices went up nearly 4 cents during the same period.

The average price of gasoline for the nation on Wednesday was \$1.64 a gallon, according to the American Automobile Association.

Browner said she was struck by the fact that the decline in wholesale prices coincided with demands for an investigation of Midwest gasoline prices by the Federal Trade Commission. The EPA and Energy Department had urged the FTC to begin such an investigation on June 15. The agency disclosed on Tuesday that a formal investigation has begun.

"No one has explained to us why these prices were so high, why when we call for an explanation, when we call for an investigation ... suddenly the prices begin to drop," said Browner.

Oil industry spokesmen denied any connection.

"The market is working. The prices are falling," said Red Cavaney, president of the American Petroleum Institute, the oil industry trade group. Cavaney said numbers he has seen showed that the decline in wholesale prices actually began about a week earlier than cited by Browner.

The Federal Trade Commission as part of its formal investigation is expected to examine, among other things, wholesale and retail price fluctuations and whether they indicate any collusion among oil com-

panies, refiners, distributors and wholesale and retail marketers.

Cavaney rejected suggestions that oil companies are illegally setting prices or otherwise gouging consumers. High gasoline prices in the Midwest were the result of "a whole set of circumstances" from distribution problems and low inventories to higher crude prices and difficulties in blending the cleaner burning gas using corn-based ethanol, he said.

The ethanol industry has accused the oil industry of trying to make the corn-based fuel a scapegoat for high prices when the EPA says ethanol blended cleaner gasoline should add only about 8 cents to the price.

Browner also insisted Wednesday that the cleaner gasoline, required by the EPA in urban areas with the most severe summer smog, should not have caused prices to jump 30 to 50 cents a gallon in the Chicago and Milwaukee areas.

"You literally have hundreds of cities and towns across the country selling cleaner gasoline, why is it in only two cities are we seeing these kind of price spikes?" asked Browner. She said nationally the cleaner gasoline "is now less than conventional gasoline."

Some Illinois lawmakers and the state's governor — as well as the governor of Wisconsin — have asked the EPA to suspend its requirement for the new blend of less polluting gasoline, saying that would increase supplies. But Browner said she has no such plans.

Asian-American war heroes receive medals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Twenty-two Asian-American veterans of World War II, most from a courageous unit whose motto was "Go for broke!" are receiving the nation's top honor for bravery on the battlefield — 55 years after the war's end.

"They rose above any sense of personal injustice to sacrifice all that they held dear in order to keep our country strong," Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera said, describing the veterans being awarded the Medal of Honor in a White House ceremony Wednesday.

"They proved for all time their loyalty and that they were willing to die for our country."

The seven living veterans were receiving their honors from President Clinton on the South Lawn, while relatives of the other 15 also were accepting medals.

Twenty of the 22 veterans were members of the 100th Infantry Battalion or 442nd Central Postal Directory, volunteer units that saw fierce combat and were among the most decorated units in U.S. military history. Members of the units received more than 18,000 individual decorations, but only one received the Medal of Honor.

A prevailing climate of racial prejudice against Asian Pacific Americans during World War II prevented them from being awarded the military's top honor, said Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii, who has worked for years to get them recognized.

The best-known of the 22 heroes is Akaka's colleague, Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, who lost his right arm in combat in Italy.

As smoke rose from Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, Inouye was racing his bicycle toward a Red Cross station in Honolulu where he volunteered as a first aid trainer. He remembers shouting mean remarks at Japanese bombers overhead.

Philip Morris tries to bar testimony

MIAMI (AP) — Bennett LeBow, the chief executive of Liggett Group Inc., broke ranks with the rest of the tobacco industry three years ago to say smoking is deadly and addictive.

Now his competitors want to keep him off the stand or severely limit what he can tell jurors in a landmark class-action case covering 300,000 to 700,000 sick Florida smokers.

The smokers are seeking a potential multibillion-dollar punitive damages verdict to punish Liggett and four other tobacco companies for decades of misconduct. The industry has argued no money should be awarded based on changes adopted by cigarette makers under a \$254 billion commitment to settle state lawsuits.

Philip Morris attorney Dan Webb warned Wednesday of "an end-of-the-world scenario" if LeBow were allowed to testify broadly about his change of attitude.

"There is no question the contrast to the other tobacco companies is extraordinary," Webb told Circuit Judge Robert Kaye.

Webb suggested keeping Liggett witnesses off the stand for now, having the jury reach a verdict on the other four cigarette makers and bringing the jury back to hear from people like LeBow.

Airline chiefs return to Capitol Hill to defend mega-merger

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chiefs of United Airlines and US Airways tried Wednesday to deflect Capitol Hill criticism of their proposed merger. Instead, they faced more tough questioning.

The executives sought to address fears the \$4.3 billion bid they announced last month would stifle competition and result in higher airfares, poorer service and fewer routes to small communities.

"This merger will create immediate and sure competition," James Goodwin, chairman and chief executive of Elk Grove Village, Ill.-based UAL Corp., United's parent, told the Senate Commerce Committee. "We view this transaction as very consumer-friendly."

Goodwin noted that 93 new domestic and international non-stop routes are planned, and that customers would have access through the bigger airline to a global network that would make

travel more convenient.

But Committee Chairman John McCain, R-Ariz., sharply questioned US Airways Chairman Stephen Wolf about a 1999 letter to Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater. In it, Wolf complained that United was apparently trying to target US Airways by matching the airlines' increase in service at the Washington area's Dulles International Airport.

"In the domestic arena, the threat to unobstructed competition continues to grow," Wolf wrote. "The unrelenting attempts of the major trunk carriers to undermine the operations and expansion of smaller carriers, both domestically and internationally, is a clear and present danger to free market competition."

Wolf answered that the only way for US Airways to compete in the current market was to get "substantially bigger."

"So you now are becoming

competitive by becoming monopolistic?" said Sen. Hollings, D-S.C., ranking member of the panel.

United already is the world's largest airline, while US Airways ranks sixth. If the merger is approved by federal regulators, the combined airline would dwarf American Airlines, United's closest competitor in size. The two prospective partners had a combined \$26.6 billion in revenue in 1999, compared with \$17.7 billion for American.

To try to placate regulators, United plans to sell the bulk of its operations at Washington's

Reagan National Airport to Robert L. Johnson, founder of Black Entertainment Television. The new airline, to be called DC Air, would be the nation's only black-owned airline.

At the hearing, lawmakers expressed skepticism about DC Air's viability as a low-cost airline.

Johnson responded that he would rely on United and US Airways for some of its equipment and employees, and lease jets for a short time before substantially reducing costs.

Only Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., praised the deal as a boon

for more out-of-the-way communities.

"From where I stand today, the US Air-United-DC Air deal looks like one that will be good for West Virginia," he said.

McCain's panel scheduled a second hearing on the deal Thursday. The airline executives also are to appear Friday before the House Judiciary Committee.

Congress does not have authority to approve or reject the proposed merger, but the issues raised by lawmakers likely will be considered by the Justice and Transportation departments, which will rule on the deal.

Former church worker admits molesting boys in documents

BOSTON (AP) — A church youth worker accused of molesting boys admitted "he knew what he did was wrong" after investigators discovered videos of boys and sex toys in his home and church office, according to police affidavits and court records.

Documents released Wednesday show that two boys told police Christopher Reardon encouraged them to masturbate with him and with inflatable dolls while watching sexually explicit videos.

Reardon told investigators "he knew what he did was wrong," State Trooper Pi Downsbrough wrote in a statement requesting search warrants.

"He did admit ... that it had been occurring for approximately six months and that it had happened in his home," the statement said.

Reardon, 28, was arrested June 10 and has been charged with 16 counts of child molestation in what

prosecutors say could grow into the largest sexual abuse case in state history. Through his lawyer, John Andrews, Reardon has maintained his innocence.

Andrews said Wednesday he hadn't seen the court documents or any admission of guilt by Reardon, noting that prosecutors said nothing about a confession at his client's arraignment.

"I would think that would be the first thing they would say," Andrews said.

The police affidavits and search warrant requests were among 25 pages of documents released by a judge. The documents also include lists of items found in Reardon's house and church office. Names and addresses of the children were blacked out.

Police found a 45-page, computer-generated list with hundreds of names of boys, many from the community, with descriptions of their genitals, according to the court documents.

PFAA summer classes



(Community Camera photos by Judy Elliott)

Pampa Fine Arts Association recently conducted its summer arts courses. Under the direction of Kay Crouch, six classes were taught — beading, watercolor, pottery and drama for youth and basketweaving and photo coloring for high schoolers and adults. Above: Drama teacher Heather Fuentes, right, works with Emily Elliott on "mirror exercises."

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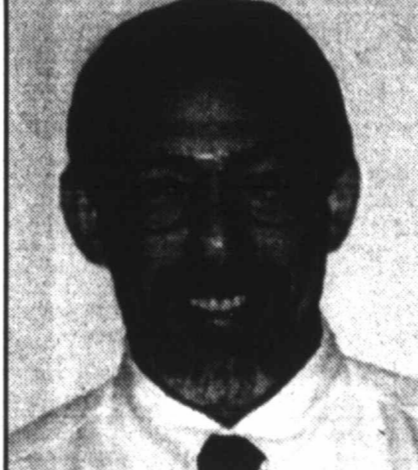
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July 1 through July 4, Dr. Harrow will be moving into his new office. New and current patients may contact him during this time him by calling 669-8296 and having him paged. He will return the call as quickly as possible.

After July 5, Dr. Harrow can be reached by calling the new clinic location telephone number 665-6600.

As always, Dr. Harrow encourages current and new patients to use these numbers 24 hours a day if they have a medical problem that requires immediate attention.

The North Crest Medical Building is currently the location for Amarillo Heart Group, Pampa Site, and Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency.

Teen Mom Now Wishes She Had Listened to Her Parents

DEAR ABBY: I just finished reading Roseann Hermann's letter about the importance of parents teaching their teen-agers everything they need to know about birth control so they can make informed choices.

I am the 17-year-old mother of a 4-month-old daughter. I did not listen to my mother and father. They are wonderful parents. They stressed to me the importance of finishing high school, going to college, saving money, getting married and having children. They would tell me this every day. I would give anything to go back and listen to my parents.

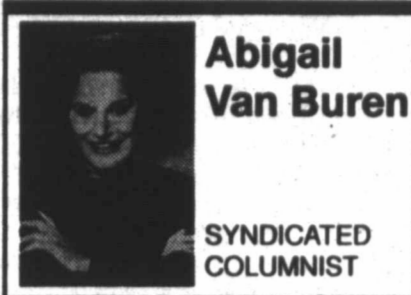
But now that my daughter is here, she is the most beautiful thing in my life. I never knew I could love something so tiny so much. I'm getting my GED, working, and taking care of her. I raise her — my parents don't. Things are on hold, but I will go to college.

Why does everyone blame parents, Abby? Mine talked to me, but I disobeyed. My point is: Parents talk; teens don't listen.

KIMBERLY IN RIVERVIEW, FLA.

DEAR KIMBERLY: I'm printing your letter with the hope that other teens will read it and heed what you, a contemporary, have to say. I commend you for juggling your GED studies, working, and facing all of the challenges of young motherhood.

The fact that you credit your



Abigail Van Buren

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parents with trying their best to communicate their hopes for your future — even though you admit you refused to listen — tells me how much maturity and insight you have gained.

Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I am responding to the recent letters in your column about the importance of teaching sex education to children before they become teen-agers.

I am 13 years old. My parents told me everything I need to know about sex. If I want birth control, I can go to them.

Abby, I think you would be one terrible, awful parent not to talk to your children and assure them that you will be there for them no matter what. Children who are not taught by their parents — whom they trust the most — are more likely to get a sexually transmitted disease or become pregnant at an earlier age, if only to get back at their overprotective parents. Trust me, I know because I have talked to my friends — and we do talk about this sort of thing.

CONCERNED IN RENO

DEAR CONCERNED: It's heartwarming to read how much credit you give your parents for providing all of the important information necessary to prepare you for future sexual relationships. Although you are a mature young lady at 13, I hope that you are years away from having a physical relationship.

Now that you have the information you need, I trust you will take your parents up on their offer to go to them with any questions or concerns that may arise. Knowing you can talk freely with your mom and dad will give you a definite advantage in making sound choices.

DEAR ABBY: My father died recently. Am I still a "Jr." or am I required to drop it?

WONDERING IN WICHITA

DEAR WONDERING: Please accept my condolences for the loss of your father.

Amy Vanderbilt says that upon the death of the "senior," the "junior" usually drops the "Jr." — unless both he and his late father were well-known and to drop it would cause confusion. However, if you so desire, there is nothing illegal or improper about retaining the "Jr."

nor will they be for a while. Your sense of what works could be considerably different than a boss's. For the next few weeks, finding a midpoint of agreement proves to be challenging. Make yourself Numero Uno. Tonight: The action is at your pad.

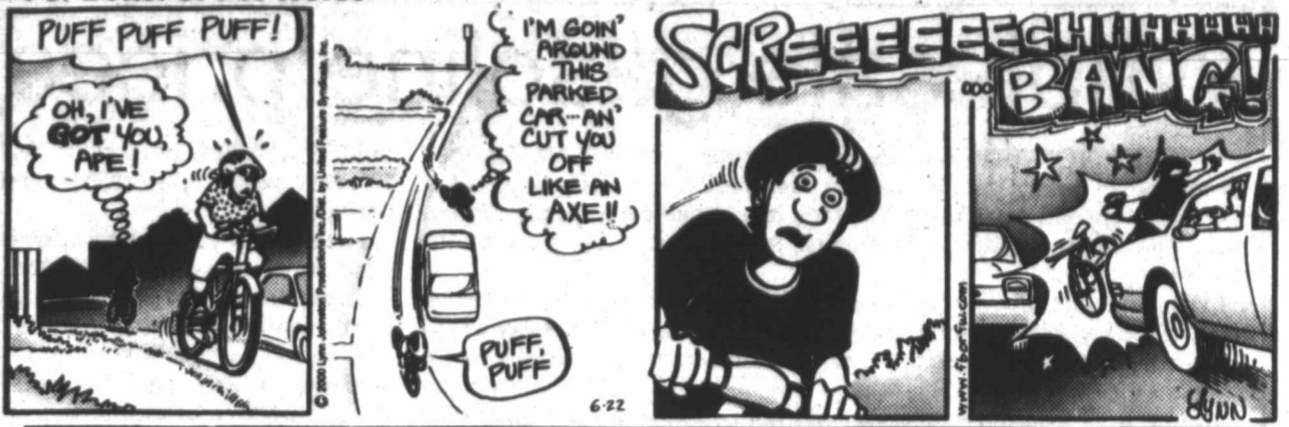
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ***** Take an overview rather than getting triggered by work conditions. Your ability to distance and understand helps. Make an extra effort. Make calls; reach out for others. The facts prove that another might not be hearing the same thing as you are hearing. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ***** Curb spending, and ultimately you will be much happier. You could feel squeezed over the next few weeks, but you'll come out on top. Listen to a co-worker; teamwork overcomes any problem. Use care when making commitments of any kind. Tonight: Prove that play can be inexpensive.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ***** You are personality plus. Make an additional effort toward a loved one. Your inquiries help another define his feelings. If single, someone you meet today could have intriguing implications on your life. Proceed with caution. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

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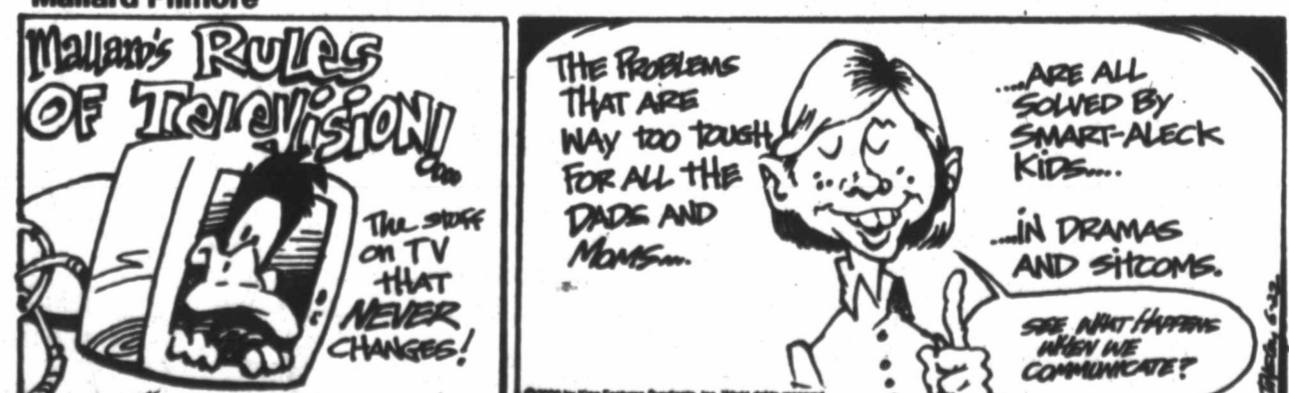
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Horoscope

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 *** The less you say, the better off you'll be today. Confusion reigns with family and plans. If you're about to sign papers on an investment, hit the brakes if you can. Communication goes into a tailspin for the next few weeks. Express your feelings carefully. Tonight: Take a night off.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ***** Gather with friends. Discussions might be significant yet difficult to implement. What you say now isn't what others hear. Reconfirm meetings. Don't stand on ceremony. Maintain a sense of humor while Murphy's Law prevails in communication. Tonight: Visit with friends.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 *** Understanding falls to the wayside. Prepare to renegotiate agreements. The plus side is that you see where there might have been trouble before. Use this as an opportunity to eliminate hidden problems. Take charge of your work. Don't let anything go. Tonight: A must appearance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ***** You could be giving off mixed vibes without even realizing it. Your personality and energy help you jump over a

problem. In the next few weeks, expect others to question what you say. Don't take it personally. Good humor and detachment win. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ***** Give partners greater say in decisions. They want to become a bigger part of your life. Communication sizzles in close quarters. Use special caution with finances during the next few weeks. A blast from the past could appear from out of the blue. Tonight: Opt for romance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ***** You could feel out of sorts as Mercury goes into a tailspin. Be as clear as possible with friends and at work. Let others state their case, then ask questions. Take the time to handle all details. Misunderstandings could happen. Tonight: Others make suggestions — then you get to choose!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 *** Your easygoing pace allows others to approach you. Release worries. By all means, don't listen to office gossip. Take your place on the work totem pole. Confirm meetings and work arrangements. Communication could be off for the next few weeks. Tonight: TGIF with co-workers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ***** You might not be sure which way to go in a new relationship. Examine what you want, yet remain empathetic to the other party. Walk in his footsteps. If single, a new person could enter your life. Charge your libido into your work for now! Tonight: Play the weekend in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ***** Others simply aren't self-assured,

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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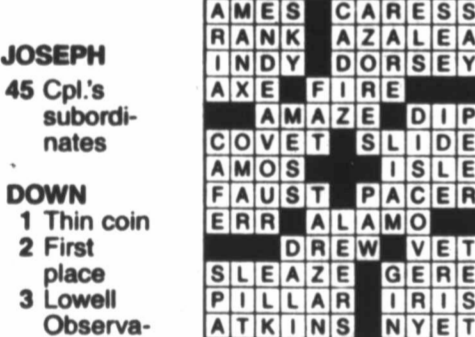
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The Family Circus



"Can we go outside in the fog to see what the inside of a cloud feels like?"

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BASEBALL

ARLINGTON — Pampa's Greg Lindsey was a perfect 2 for 2 at the plate in the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association Classes 4A-5A all-star game last weekend.

Lindsey started at third base for the North team and played the first four innings of the nine-inning contest. Besides his two singles, Lindsey scored the game's first run in the North's 8-5 loss to the South team.

The North was leading 5-3 going into the ninth inning.

"Greg represented Pampa very well," said PHS head coach Dennis Doughty, who attended the game at The Ballpark in Arlington. "He played as well as anybody there."

Lindsey was the District 3-4A player of the year as senior in helping lead Pampa to the regional Class 4A quarterfinals.

BASKETBALL

DALLAS (AP) — Southern Methodist guard Jeryl Sasser wasn't sure he would be among the first 20 players taken in the NBA draft, so he decided Wednesday to withdraw and return for his senior season.

Sasser, who maintained his amateur status by not signing with an agent, had an individual workout with the Los Angeles Lakers on Tuesday. He recently worked out for Boston and Philadelphia.

Last season, Sasser led SMU in scoring at 17.3 points per game, helping the Mustangs go 21-9 and earn a bid to the National Invitation Tournament, the team's first postseason appearance since 1993.

His season ended ominously as the school investigated his involvement in an incident at a hotel party during the Western Athletic Conference tournament, but ultimately found nothing worthy of punishment.

OLYMPICS

DALLAS (AP) — Matt Ghaffari, Dennis Hall and Brandon Paulson, all silver medalists at the 1996 Olympics, will be among 173 wrestlers competing this weekend for 16 spots on the U.S. Olympic wrestling team.

The trials for freestyle and Greco-Roman events will be held Thursday through Saturday before record crowds at Reunion Arena in Dallas. No athletes qualified in both styles.

A challenge tournament, a one-day event in the past, will be held Thursday and Friday. Anyone losing a match those days will not be going to Sydney in September.

On Saturday, a best-of-three finals series will be held in each weight class, pitting the 2000 U.S. nationals champion and the winner of the challenge tournament.

On all days, Greco-Roman action will be in the morning and freestyle in the evening.

More than 31,000 tickets were pre-sold for the event, almost 50 percent more than the 24,578 for the 1996 trials in Spokane, Wash.

Ghaffari, Hall and Paulson, all Greco-Roman competitors, were among 1,233 wrestlers who began the trials process.

That process included five regional trial events in both styles. Individual champions from the Armed Forces Greco-Roman championships also qualified for the trials, as did the top six freestyle and top eight Greco-Roman finishers in each weight class at the 2000 national championships.

Other Olympic medalists who've made the cut so far include Rodney Smith ('92 bronze, Greco-Roman) and Greg Gibson (1984 silver, Greco-Roman).

Former world champions in the field include Stephen Neal (1999, freestyle), Sammie Henson ('98, freestyle), Les Gutches ('97, freestyle), Terry Brands ('95, '93, freestyle), Melvin Douglas ('93, freestyle).

Triangle advances

PAMPA — Triangle Energy won its first two games in the Cal Ripken 11-12 City Tournament at Optimist Park.

In the opener, Triangle beat Rotary 8-4 with Nick Robbins leading the way on the mound and at the plate.

Robbins pitched six innings and gave up four hits while striking out five and walking five. He also had a double and three runs batted in.

Jake Diggs, Matt Ferguson, Blake Nusser, Ryan Torres, Johnathon Maciel and Billy Bryan all had singles for Triangle. Phillip Rodriguez walked three times for two RBI.

Steven Smith had two singles and scored a run for Rotary.

Marcos Campos, Steven Smith and Jarod Moler pitched for Rotary.

Triangle played outstanding team defense to help clinch the win.

Triangle beat Tejas Feeders 19-9 in the second game.

Matt Ferguson, Blake Nusser and Billy Bryan each had four runs batted in to lead the Triangle hitting attack. Ferguson was particularly impressive at the plate with three hits and a double that scored the tying run in the third.

Nick Robbins had two hits, three RBI and scored four runs. Cody Cochran and Phillip Rodriguez reached base on walks and both players scored.

Jake Diggs and Nusser pitched for Triangle with Diggs picking up the win. He pitched three innings and gave up nine hits while striking out six and walking four.

Nusser pitched two shutout innings and didn't allow a hit while striking out four and not walking a batter. Triangle played some outstanding defense in the fourth and fifth inning to help shut down Tejas.

Jake Booze, Johnathon Carr and Casey McDowell had two hits each for Tejas.

"The boys are playing their best ball of the season and expect to be in the four-team double elimination tournament for the championship," said Triangle coach Danny Nusser. "Defense and hitting have been our greatest improvement during the year. The team is having fun and playing relaxed, and it shows on the field."

A regional rivalry

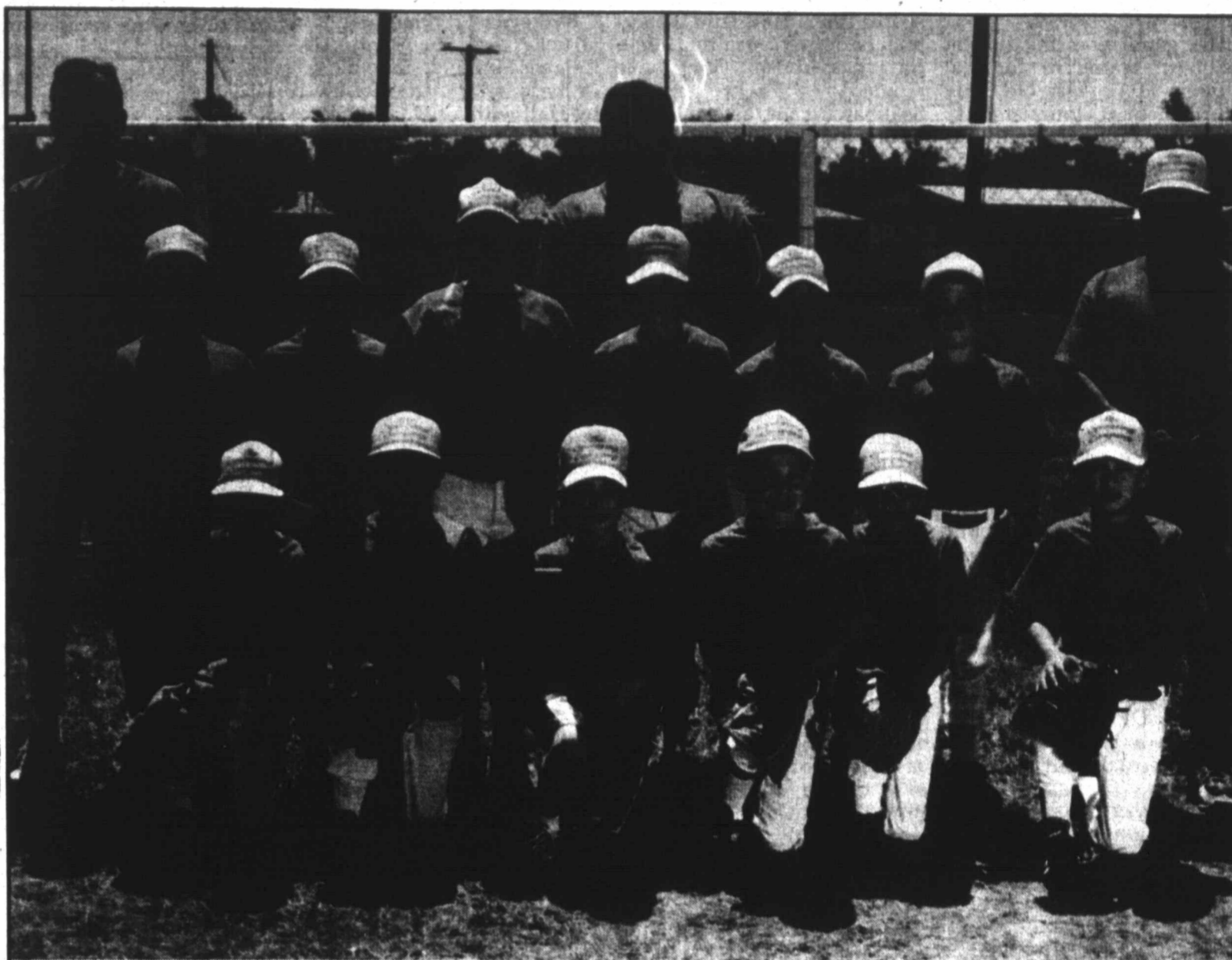
DALLAS (AP) — The Texas Rangers and Houston Astros will meet next season for at least six games of interleague play, setting up a regional rivalry.

The matchup will happen regardless of whether the Texas Rangers are moved into the American League central, according to Thursday's editions of The Dallas Morning News.

"I think it will be one of the best rivalries there is in baseball," Astros owner Drayton McLane told the newspaper.

But the season isn't shaping up well for either team. The Houston Astros are last in the league with a 25-45 record and the Rangers are just under .500 with a 33-36 record.

Team honors Tanner



The Optimist Cal Ripken 9-10 League and The Operating Company team (above) dedicated the 2000 baseball season to Tanner Dyson (third, from left, front row), who was unable to play this season after being diagnosed with cancer. Tanner, who is recovering from his illness, was presented with a plaque and threw out the first pitch during Opening Day Ceremonies at Optimist Park. Pictured (front row, from left) Christian Hinkle, Jacob Maciel Tanner Dyson, Jonathan Anguiano, Martin Avila and Guardo Dominguez; (middle row, from left) Mitchell Bromlow, Thomas Fraser, Aaron Pepper, Tyler Morris, Colby Copeland and Jad McGuire; Coaches are (l-r) Dan McGuire, Ed Copeland and Martin Avila. Tanner is a member of The Operating Company team.

Sheffield sparks Dodgers by Astros, 7-6

HOUSTON (AP) — Gary Sheffield doesn't need any advice on how to hit home runs. So why is Jeff Bagwell giving him pointers on Enron Field?

Sheffield hit two homers, including a tiebreaking solo shot in the eighth inning that lifted the Los Angeles Dodgers over the Houston Astros 7-6 Wednesday night.

"I talked to Bagwell when we first got here and he told me this park can hurt you if you try to pull the ball," Sheffield said. "So I tried to forget about that wall and just trust my hands and let it pull naturally."

Sheffield, who went 4-for-5, had his third multihomer game of the season and 18th of his career. He has 23 homers, third in the NL behind Barry Bonds (26) and Mark McGwire (25).

"You almost expect that from him (Sheffield) every time up," Dodgers manager Davey Johnson said.

Jose Cabrera (0-2) gave up Sheffield's game-winner just hours after arriving from Triple-A New Orleans.

"I think the only thing you

can do is hit him," Cabrera said. "You try to go inside, but unless you're right on top of him, he hits it. That was high and he hit it very hard. I don't know how you can go more inside without hitting him, but I guess that's what you have to do."

Sheffield, who has three homers in two nights, scored four runs, tying his career high, set Sept. 16, 1995, at Colorado.

Sheffield's game-winning homer hit a left-field light post 406 feet away and careened out of the ballpark.

"I've seen him hit a ball farther, but that definitely was a bomb," Astros second baseman Craig Biggio said. "The way he's swinging the bat, you just close your eyes and hope to catch a break because he can hit anything."

Matt Herges (5-0) pitched three hitless innings to win for the second straight night.

"Not much is expected of me, maybe that helps me sneak up on people," Herges said. "I know the league doesn't know me and I know that helps me."

The Astros, whose 25-45

record is the worst in the major leagues, dropped to 3-16 in one-run games and 12-21 at Enron Field.

There were five homers, boosting the total at Enron Field to 107 in 33 games, 11 fewer than were hit all of last season in the Astrodome.

Houston starter Octavio Dotel, winless since beating Milwaukee on May 1, led 6-3 in the seventh before Shawn Green's sacrifice and Eric Karros' two-run homer.

"We're playing a lot of young guys and young guys make mistakes and Dotel is younger than all of them," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "He made a couple of mistakes with some pitches and then he threw the ball away at first. You can't do those kinds of things against the Dodgers."

Glen Barker hit a solo homer in the third, the second of his career. The Astros chased Carlos Perez in the fourth, taking a 6-3 lead on Julio Lugo's two-run homer, his first in the majors, and Bagwell's two-run double.

Perez allowed six runs and seven hits in 3 2-3 innings.

Dotel gave up six runs — five earned — and 11 hits in 6 2-3 innings.

Consecutive singles by Mark Grudzielanek, Sheffield and Green scored one run in the first inning, and Dotel's throwing error on a pickoff try scored another run for a 2-0 Dodgers lead.

Sheffield also homered in the third inning to make it 3-1.

"He's been rock solid all year," Bagwell said. "He's swinging the bat as well as I've ever seen him. It almost looks too easy."

Notes: Sheffield's other multihomer games this season were April 29 against the Mets and June 3 against the Angels. ... Mitch Meluskey needs two homers to become the eighth Astros rookie to hit double-digit home runs in a season. ... Green has reached base safely in 66 of the Dodgers' 69 games. ... Jim Leyritz, obtained by the Dodgers from the New York Yankees on Tuesday, won't be in uniform until Thursday's game against the Astros. ... The victory was the 1,100th of Johnson's career.

Texas State Open set for July 11

WYLIE — Over 600 professional and amateur golfers around the state are attempting to qualify for the 2000 Texas State Open on July 11. There will be 156 golfers trying for an estimated \$100,000 purse in the 72-hole stroke play event.

The field will play 36 holes before being cut to the low 55 scores and ties.

All four rounds will be contested over the newly-opened Woodbridge Golf Club in Wylie, located 30 minutes northeast of Dallas.

The second chance on-site qualifying event provides an additional opportunity to make the starting field. It is open to any eligible player who missed the initial entry deadline or was an unsuccessful qualifier. Eligible players include professionals as well as amateurs with a handicap of 5.0 or less and have been a Texas resident for a minimum of six months prior to

July 11.

There will be a minimum of four spots available in the 18-hole stroke play qualifying tournament. The field will be comprised of successful qualifiers and the following exempt players if they choose to participate: past champions, the top 15 professionals and top three amateurs from the 1999 Texas State Open, the top 25 players from both the Northern Texas and Southern Texas PGA player of the year standings, PGA Tour members who reside in the state of Texas, the Championship host professional, and the leading money winner of the Tight Lies Tour.

Entry deadline is June 30 at 5 p.m. All entries must be received by the Northern Texas PGA via mail, facsimile, overnight carrier or in person by this time.

The Woodbridge Golf Club is a non-metal spike facility only.

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Phillies rip Mets

NEW YORK (AP) — Pat Burrell hit his first career grand slam to lead the Philadelphia Phillies to a 10-5 win over the New York Mets on Wednesday.

Burrell also homered in the sixth inning for the rookie's first career multihomer game.

Philadelphia blew a 5-3 lead in the eighth before rallying against the Mets' bullpen in the ninth. Doug Glanville led off with an infield single off John Franco (2-3) and went to third on Ron Gant's double. One out later, Franco intentionally walked Mike Lieberthal to load the bases.

Franco then fell behind Kevin Jordan 3-0 before walking him on a 3-2 pitch that was just high. Franco was replaced by Benitez, and Burrell homered to left-center.

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Celanese wins close contest in tournament opener

PAMPA — Timmy Watson raked up another win for third-place Celanese with his outstanding pitching performance in a 9-8 win over second place Duncan, Fraser & Bridges.

The game was the opener for both teams in the Cal Ripken 11-12 year-old City Tournament at Optimist Park.

Watson only walked four while striking out seven and allowing nine hits in five innings.

DFB's Braydon Barker started off the game with a ground out to the pitcher, followed by an error for Celanese to allow Matthew Trusty to get to first. Watson walked the next two batters and struck out the third. Dane Howard flew out to first baseman Dylan Henley for the third out.

Adam Estrada started Celanese by grounding out to the shortstop. Tyler Hall pounded a clean single, but was tagged out trying to turn it into a double. Jake Craig was the next batter and he singled and scored on a double by Dylan Henley. The next three batters for Celanese got on base by two walks and an error on DFB. Henley stole home on a passed ball and Watson struck out for the third out.

Chris Burns scored the only run for DFB in the second after hitting a single to right

field. Barker was left on base after getting a single.

For Celanese, Jake Craig scored Adam Estrada with his double. Henley followed suit with a double to left field to score Tyler Hall and Craig, and he scored stealing home on a passed ball. Clay Jones singled to score Justin Sealman for the last run of the inning for Celanese.

DFB put their rally caps on for the third inning. Weston Teichmann began with a single and was scored along with Shane Goldsmith by a hard-hit double to left field by Burns. The next two batters reached base on errors by Celanese. Burns and Chase Harris were able to score on passed balls.

DFB continued to rally in the field.

The third inning belonged to Barker as he struck out the first two batters and caught Hall's fly ball.

After allowing a single by Teichmann and Goldsmith, and a fly ball to Hall, Watson struck out the next two batters to end the inning, leaving runners stranded.

Craig got the only hit, a single for Celanese in the fourth, but was tagged out by third baseman Howard on a fielder's choice hit by Logan Brown. Celanese had another scoreless inning.

Watson continued his accu-

rate pitching to shut down the first two batters for DFB. He allowed a single by Barker, and Henley ended the inning with a tag to first base to stop Goldsmith.

Barker was relentless and struck out the first two Celanese hitters. Estrada got on base by an error, followed by Hall with a fielder's choice attempt to pick off Estrada. Craig scored both runners with a solid double. Henley got on base with a single, but was picked off to end the inning on a throw from catcher Teichmann to first baseman Luke.

Teichmann opened the sixth inning for DFB with a single, but was forced out at second on a fielder's choice hit by Goldsmith, who was also forced at second on a fielder's choice hit by Luke.

With two outs and ahead by three runs in the sixth inning, the game was seemingly in the bag for Celanese.

However, Celanese committed three errors to allow the next three batters to reach base, which scored Luke. With the bases loaded and two runs ahead, Watson walked the next batter to force in a run and pull DFB within one run of Celanese.

With the bases still loaded

and Barker up to bat, things got a little nervous for Celanese.

But Watson did his job throwing strikes and Hall was a sure glove to catch the fly ball to end the game with the

final score 9-8.

Jake Craig led the Celanese hitting attack with two doubles and two singles.

Dylan Henley had two doubles and one single. Tyler Hall and Clay Jones had a single

each.

DFB hitters were Weston Teichmann with three singles, Chris Burns a double and single; Braydon Barker two singles; Dane Howard a double and Shane Goldsmith a single.

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American League					National League				
At A Glance					At A Glance				
By The Associated Press					By The Associated Press				
All Times EDT					All Times EDT				
East Division					East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB		
New York	38	30	.545	—	St. Louis	40	30	.571	—
Boston	36	31	.537	1/2	Cincinnati	33	36	.478	6 1/2
Toronto	36	34	.528	1	Pittsburgh	31	39	.443	9
Baltimore	30	39	.435	7 1/2	Chicago	30	40	.429	10
Tampa Bay	28	42	.400	10	Milwaukee	29	42	.408	11 1/2
					Houston	25	45	.357	15
Central Division					West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB		
Chicago	45	26	.634	—	Arizona	41	30	.577	—
Cleveland	37	31	.544	6 1/2	Colorado	38	28	.576	1/2
Kansas City	34	35	.483	10	Los Angeles	38	31	.551	2
Minnesota	30	42	.417	15 1/2	San Francisco	34	33	.507	5
Detroit	27	39	.409	15 1/2	San Diego	31	39	.443	9 1/2
West Division					Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB		
Oakland	42	29	.592	—	Philadelphia	35	33	.515	6 1/2
Seattle	39	30	.565	2	Philadelphia	35	37	.486	8 1/2
Anaheim	36	34	.514	5 1/2	Philadelphia	29	40	.420	13
Texas	33	36	.478	8					

White Sox drop two games at home after 7-0 road trip

By ADAM NAZIMOWITZ
Associated Press Writer

The Chicago White Sox might have been better off staying on the road.

Following a 7-0 road trip against Cleveland and the New York Yankees, Chicago won the opener of a four-game series against the Indians at home, then lost two straight, including 8-6 Wednesday night.

The White Sox have an 11-game road winning streak, longest in the majors this season, and built a season-high 8 1/2-game lead over Cleveland in the AL Central before losing the last two. The four-game series concludes Thursday night.

"A tough loss, they banged on us early," said Chicago's Frank Thomas, who homered twice and singled twice in five at-bats. "When you have a long winning streak, it's easy to drop a couple quickly. Now

we have to get it back on track."

In other AL games, it was Boston 9, New York 7; Toronto 6, Detroit 0; Texas 7, Minnesota 5; Anaheim 3, Kansas City 1; Oakland 10, Baltimore 3; and Seattle 8, Tampa Bay 5.

Kenny Lofton tripled, doubled and singled for the Indians, and Jim Thome hit two long homers, giving him 20 for the seventh straight season.

"We still got a lot of ground to make up and, hopefully, we can do that," Thome said.

"I don't think we can get ahead of ourselves and jump out and say we're back to where we're at, because we're not."

The Indians have won the AL Central all five years of its existence.

"I don't worry about making up ground. We can win 20 in a row," Lofton said. "We've got three months to go and you don't worry about things

this early."

Dave Burba (8-2), who has won five of six decisions, allowed four runs and seven hits in 5 1-3 innings. Steve Karsay got five outs for his 16th save in 19 chances.

"I think it's important to come back and get some wins and close the gap.

It gives you a boost and lets everybody in the clubhouse know you are still fighting," Burba said. "Our attitude is that we're not out of it by any means."

White Sox ace James Baldwin (10-2), whose other loss was May 26 to the Yankees, was pounded for six runs and eight hits in four-plus innings, his shortest outing of the season.

Red Sox 9, Yankees 7

New York scored three times in the seventh for a 5-4 lead, but Boston got five runs in the bottom half.

Scott Hatteberg's RBI

groundout off Jason Grimsley (3-2) tied it, Mike Stanton forced in a pair of runs with bases-loaded walks to Jose Offerman and Jeff Frye, and Trot Nixon hit a two-run double for a 9-5 lead.

Rich Garces (3-0) pitched a scoreless inning as Boston stopped a four-game losing streak.

Blue Jays 6, Tigers 0

Kelvin Escobar (6-8) pitched a four-hitter at SkyDome for his first shutout in 55 career starts and third complete game this season.

Carlos Delgado hit his AL-leading 25th homer, and Shannon Stewart hit a three-run homer.

Detroit was shut out for the ninth time this season, most in the majors.

Brian Moehler (4-4) allowed five runs and nine hits in 6 1-3 innings.

Rangers 7, Twins 5

At Arlington, Dave Martinez snapped an 0-for-20 slump with a two-run double

as Texas won for the third time in four games following a nine-game losing streak.

Esteban Loaiza (4-5) pitched six innings to win for the first time in five starts. He has won four straight against the Twins, three against Brad Radke (4-9).

Angels 3, Royals 1

Jarrod Washburn (3-1) took a two-hit shutout into the ninth and Darin Erstad homered, had three RBIs and a game-saving catch at Anaheim.

Troy Percival, who got his 18th save, allowed an RBI single to Carlos Beltran in the ninth, but Erstad robbed Jermaine Dye of a three-run homer in the left-field corner. A fan nearly knocked the ball away.

Mac Suzuki (3-1) allowed three runs and six hits in seven innings.

Athletics 10, Orioles 3

Eric Chavez hit for the cycle, the first in Oakland Coliseum history, and the Athletics

defeated Mike Mussina (5-7) and swept three from Baltimore.

Ariel Prieto (1-1), called up from the minors earlier in the day, pitched five strong innings to earn his first win in the majors since June 26, 1997, in Texas.

Chavez doubled in the second, singled in the fourth, tripled in the fifth and homered in the seventh for the A's, who extended their winning streak to a season-high eight games.

Mariners 8, Devil Rays 5

John Olerud's three-run double and Alex Rodriguez's two-run double highlighted a seven-run second inning in Seattle's home victory over Tampa Bay.

Esteban Yan (4-5) pitched to seven batters in the second without getting an out.

Aaron Sele (8-3) improved to 5-0 career against the Devil Rays, 3-0 this season.

Earnhardt is a force once again on NASCAR circuit

By MIKE HARRIS
AP Motorsports Writer

Dale Earnhardt was supposed to be getting old, mellowing out, becoming an elder statesman of stock car racing.

He was supposed to be nurturing the careers of the drivers on his team, Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Steve Park.

Instead, the Intimidator is having a great season of his own, making old look young. And mellowing-out drivers rarely make obscene gestures as he did after being tapped on the final lap and losing to Jeremy Mayfield on Monday in the Pocono 500.

As his dark eyes glinted above his trademark black mustache, the seven-time Winston Cup champion grinned and shook

his head. "Yeah, those people who thought I was done, I guess they were wrong," Earnhardt said.

Nearly halfway through the 2000 season, the 49-year-old Earnhardt is a force once again. He's second in the standings, just 57 points behind Bobby Labonte entering Sunday's Save Mart/Kragen 350k in Sonoma, Calif.

Although Earnhardt hasn't finished worse than eighth in the points since 1991, this season has been considered a turnaround year for him.

When he won championship No. 7 in 1994, Earnhardt, driving his intimidating black No. 3 Chevrolet, was the scourge of NASCAR, a swashbuckling, nasty driver.

The image began to fade in 1995 when he finished second,

losing to newcomer Jeff Gordon, who suddenly was the man to beat at age 24.

In 1996, the seemingly invincible Earnhardt crashed in Talladega, Ala., breaking his sternum and collarbone. By the end of 1997, the once-feared driver was locked in a 59-race winless streak.

Worse, he was no longer considered a threat to win.

"I never thought I was finished," Earnhardt said. "For a while, I was hurting, and things just weren't going the way we wanted."

The resurgence began with Earnhardt winning the 1998 season-opening Daytona 500 — the one big race win that had eluded him the previous 19 years.

"That meant a lot to us," Earnhardt said. "We had something to build on."

That victory came in Larry McReynolds' first race as Earnhardt's crew chief.

McReynolds, considered one of the best in the business, had moved to Richard Childress Racing over the winter, forming what appeared to be a super team with Earnhardt.

The magic that Earnhardt had found with previous crew chiefs Doug Richert, Kirk Sheldermine and Andy Petree was missing. Childress, Earnhardt's car owner since 1984, recognized it.

Midway through 1998, Childress switched McReynolds to the car of Mike Skinner and moved unheralded Kevin Hamlin to Earnhardt's shop.

"His thinking was that Skinner needed someone with Larry's experience and I'm not too sure what he thought I was going to bring to Earnhardt,"

Hamlin said. "But whatever it was, we were going to start it immediately."

The chemistry was instant.

In their 69 races together, Earnhardt has won four times — raising his career total to 75 — with 19 top-fives and 41 top-10s. That includes one win and 12 top-10s in 15 starts this season.

"It's been a tremendous success all the way around," Childress said. "Dale and Kevin have really worked well together, as have Mike and Larry."

"Kevin is right for Dale. They have the same demeanor and understanding of what they want and need from a race car to be successful."

Earnhardt gives the unassuming Hamlin, in his seventh year as a crew chief, considerable credit for the No. 3's renewed

success.

"We have a good understanding of each other," Earnhardt said. "It reminds me of the connection Kirk and I had."

"If I'm thinking about going one way or the other with the car, he's thinking that same direction. You don't always have that and we've seen many teams that never find it."

Earnhardt believes the best is yet to come. Meanwhile, he has to keep things going in the right direction.

"You struggle at times through your career," he said. "The ideal situation, what you work for, is to get in that car on Sunday and go race. To be able to go race and be a contender is fun."

If The Intimidator is having fun again, look out.

Lakers hold victory parade two days after riotous celebration

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Where stores were looted and police cars burned two days before, a quarter-million Los Angeles Lakers fans hailed the new NBA champions Wednesday in an adoring sea of purple and gold.

They heard speeches from the mayor, promises of more titles and a pledge from their biggest star to try to undo some of the damage from Monday night's violence.

"The other night after the game, a couple of bad things happened, a couple of people trashed two police cars," Shaquille O'Neal said. "So on behalf of the Lakers and (coach) Phil Jackson, we're going to get them two new police cars."

"We want to say that when we get one (championship) next year,

we just want to be safe, we want everybody to be safe and do the right thing because we're going to get one next year, too."

The fans roared, and said the outbursts of crime after the title clincher seemed far away.

"I had no reservations at all about coming out today," said Dorothy Rhan, a member of the enthusiastic crowd stretching nine blocks to the Lakers' home at the Staples Center.

"I love it. It's wonderful," Rhan said. "L.A. has its unity now and it's all due to the Lakers."

A mob looted stores, smashed windows and torched police cars and news vans outside the arena after the Lakers defeated the Indiana Pacers 116-111 for the NBA crown. Eleven people were arrested and four police officers were hurt.

Police vowed zero tolerance for parade violence and a highly visible force of more than 300 officers was stationed along Figueroa Street to keep the peace. Reinforcements were on hand nearby as a precaution.

There were no arrests and no trouble reported.

"This is a festive event. If there was some type of problem, we'd be ready," police Lt. Horace Frank said. He estimated the crowd at about 250,000.

Jackson got a huge ovation when he joined the Lakers on stage outside the Department of Water and Power building prior to the parade kickoff. At least seven helicopters buzzed overhead.

"We appreciate this a lot. This is for the city of L.A. We are starting a

new millennium right now," Jackson said. Signs in the crowd called it a "new Millennium."

Mayor Richard Riordan declared it Laker Day in the city celebrating its first NBA championship in 12 years and a skywriting plane spelled out "LA Lakers" overhead.

"What a great day," Riordan said to the wildly cheering throng. "You are the first champions of the 21st century, the start of a great dynasty. But most of all, you are No. 1 in the hearts of all Angelenos."

Then, it was time for O'Neal, the 7-foot-1 center who swept Most Valuable Player honors in the regular season, the All-Star Game and the playoffs.

"I cannot hear you all," the gum-chomping O'Neal said, egging on the crowd as it chanted "MVP! MVP! MVP!"

O'Neal also declared "The Big Shakespeare," he said. "Because it was Shakespeare that said, 'Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, some have greatness thrust upon them,' and it was great about it this year for the city and for everybody else. And we're going to try to get one next year. I love you."

Fans had staked out prime spots along the parade route during the night and several thousand were on hand by dawn. By the 11:15 a.m. start of the parade, people squeezed 20 and 30 deep on Figueroa.

Sunshine bathed the jubilant crowd on the first full day of summer. Many wore purple-and-gold Lakers colors and hoisted signs reading "Honk for Kobe Bryant,"

"Lakers rule 2000," "AC Green, Will you marry me?" and "Bling Bling."

"Bling Bling" was O'Neal's explanation for the sound made when light bounces off a diamond NBA championship ring.

Five open-air, double-deck buses carried the team, politicians, family members and the Lakers Girls down Figueroa through a blizzard of confetti. Players blew kisses, fans blew horns. Everyone waved, smiled and cheered.

One sign spanning a bridge read, "It's only the beginning!" The largest crowd assembled outside the Staples Center for a post-parade ceremony. Spectators jammed parking lots for a glimpse of their NBA heroes.



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ESTATE sale: furniture, tools, kitchen ware, washer, dryer, refrigerator, stove. Fri. 23rd, Sat. 24th 9:00 to 5:00. 205 N. Sumner.

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SALE, 909 Beryl, Wed. Fri., 8am-4pm, antiques, art supplies, western belts, and buckles, collectibles.

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5 family garage sale: Fri. & Sat. 8-7 Sun 12-7 1515 N. Sumner. Baby things, computer, adult clothing.

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MULTI-FAMILY garage sale - appliances, furniture, clothes-all sizes, flower girl dress. 2425 Navajo. Fri. 8-4, Sat. 8-7

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THE sale you've waited for! All nice items. 800 Bradley Drive Thurs. Fri. 7:30 am-7:00 pm Sat. 7:30 am-7:00 pm Sun. 7:30 am-7:00 pm. Boys clothing, gently used, or new. Children's books and videos. Small toys, wagon, bicycle, new basket ball goal, trampoline, and GoKart-like new, Looney Tunes bedding, decorations. Exercise equipment, tent, boating and ski items. Full service lift chairs, bar refrigerator, grill, saw table, lawn mower and misc. items. No early shoppers. Cash only.

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PRE-MOVING Sale Fri. & Sat. 9-5. Toys, books, trailer, telescope, all clothes \$0.25, etc. 2308 Comanche CASH ONLY.

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1326 E. Kingsmill Thur. 1-Whatever. all day Friday. Computers, Air Conditioner and lots of stuff.

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YARD Sale Friday-Sunday 8-7. 1311 Coffee Dishes, clothes, kitchen ware in chairs. Lots More.

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YARD Sale 2101 Coffee Thurs. & Fri. 8:30 am-4 pm

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GARAGE Sale: Fri 6/23, 309 Jean, 9 am-7 Washer, dryer, stove, crib, misc.

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HUMONGOUS Sale: 1900 Charles, 8 a.m. Fri. Pickup toolbox, file cabinets, exc. jr. clothing, lots & lots of misc.

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FRI. & Sat. 8-7 1924 N. Wells, trundlebed, swing set, Beanie, Barbies, lots of misc.

69a Garage Sales

FRI. 8-7 & Sat. 8-7 2107 N. Sumner, 1991 5th Wheel Camper.

69a Garage Sales

1830 N. Faulkner, Fri. & Sat. 9-5 p.m. Big 2 Family Garage Sale. No early birds.

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GAR. Sale Fri. 8-3, Sat. 8-2 p.m. 1228 Williston. Good deals, come by!

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3 bdr., 2 ba. \$425 mo. 801 N. Christy 662-9520

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1 bdr. furnished. Dogwood Apts. References and deposit required. 669-2981, 669-9817.

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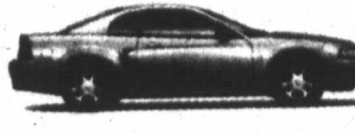








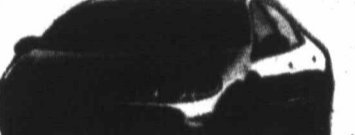
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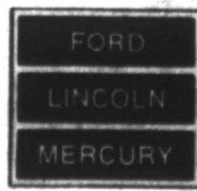

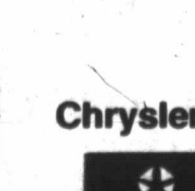
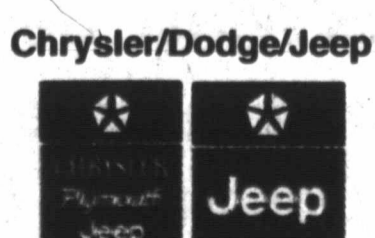
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M9701A	'92 Grand Marquis, 1 Owner, 58XXX Miles	P114	'96 Z-28 Camaro, T-Tops	P118	'96 Windstar, Family Fun
F7751A	'96 Sentra, AC, Nice	D2882A	'99 Grand Prix, 4 Dr., Auto, 13xxx	P130	'95 Bronco, 4x4
F1312A	'94 Cougar, 64xxx Miles, Auto	B4322	'99 Town Car, Like New	P131	'96 Bronco, 4x4
F9712A	'95 Mustang, Clean	B1572A	'92 Ranger X/C,	P116	'97 Tahoe, 2 Dr.
F5143A	'94 Saturn SL2, 4 Dr., 5 Spd.	F6992A	'95 Ranger X/C,	P123	'98 Explorer Sport
P122	'95 Cirrus, Auto, A/C	D9996A	'96 Ranger, Auto, 37xxx	P120	'97 Explorer, 4 Dr., 4x4
FD918A	'96 T-Bird, Auto, 80xxx Miles	P129	'97 F150 X/C, Extra Clean	F50556B	'97 Explorer, 38xxx, Extra Clean
B9594A	'96 Lumina, Sharp & Clean	P102	'97 F150 R/C, 4x2	'99 Windstar, Loaded For Family	'99 Windstar, Loaded For Family
F0566N	'98 Cavalier, 4 Door, Auto	D3795A	'98 F150, 27xxx Miles	B1572	'98 Explorer, 26xxx, Loaded & Sharp
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P113	'96 Saturn, 2 Dr.	P101	'97K 1500, 4x4	B8544A	'98 Grand Cherokee, Must See
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J4424A	'98 Escort ZX2, Auto	P126	'96 Dodge 3/4 Ton 4x4, Auto	P109	'96 Suburban Conversion, 4x4
P115A	'95 Mustang GT, 74xxx Miles	F7400A	'97 F250, 28xxx, Sharp Truck	P108	'95 Suburban, 3/4 Ton, 4x4
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