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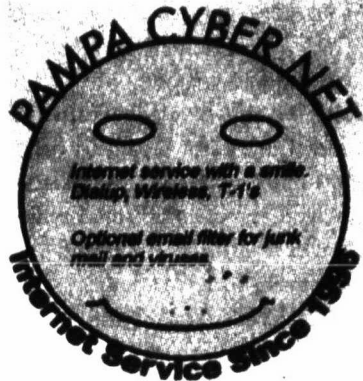
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LOTTERY

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 10-20-30-31-41-42.
 Estimated jackpot: \$35 million.
 Number matching six of six: 1.
 Winning ticket sold in: Houston.
 Matching five of six: 125. Prize: \$2,240.
 Matching four of six: 6,761. Prize: \$102.
 Matching three of six: 133,208. Prize: \$5.
 Next Lotto Texas game: Saturday night.
 Estimated jackpot: \$4 million.

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Ground war begins to cheers

By DAVID CRARY
 ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

To the cheers of U.S. infantrymen, the first stage of the ground war opened Thursday with American howitzers and multiple launch rocket systems firing at Iraqi troops.

The U.S. 3rd Infantry Division's artillery opened fire hours after an American airstrike started the hostilities. Maj. Gen. Bufourd Blount, the

division commander, had said the artillery barrage would signal the first phase of the ground war against Iraq.

White light glowed in the sky as dozens of artillery shells were fired. Infantrymen who were between the howitzers and the Iraqi border cheered as the shells screamed overhead.

The ground war was launched about an hour after Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld promised: "the days of the Saddam Hussein regime are

numbered."
 Rumsfeld, in his first news conference since the war began, said the United States had hit a senior Iraqi leadership position in its initial strikes. He offered no details, saying a damage assessment was pending.

The assault "was the first," he said. "It likely will not be the last."

U.S. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said a massive assault on Iraq could begin later

Thursday. An American-led invasion force of 300,000 troops was poised to strike on orders from President Bush.

Iraq responded within hours to the U.S. air attack, firing missiles Thursday toward American troops positioned just across its border with Kuwait. American and British soldiers in the region briefly donned gas masks or protective suits, but officers later said the missiles apparently were not

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Pampans express pride, faith in U.S.

By NANCY YOUNG
 MANAGING EDITOR

As U.S. forces launched air strikes into Iraq Wednesday night, local reaction was supportive of the military effort.

President George W. Bush's speech to the nation shortly after the military action began was only four minutes in length, but it impressed many local residents.

Gray County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing said he agreed with the United States president. "Bush said it was the right thing to do and the right time," said Rushing. "I believe there was not any other solution or we would have taken it. He needs our prayers."

He commented that only

history will reveal if the U.S.-led action is the correct process to follow.

Rushing said, "We won't know for sure if it is the right thing to do or the wrong thing for many years, but we need to support him and the troops over there."

Pampa City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers expressed her pride in President Bush.

"I'm proud of our president," she said as she said she supported the action he has taken. "I believe he is a godly man and he is making godly decisions."

She also expressed her feelings of the need for prayer for Bush and the troops.

Jeffers said the son of a close friend in Oklahoma is serving in the war area, and

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HOME of the BRAVE

On Sunday, March 23, *The Pampa News* will begin a special feature "Home of the Brave" spotlighting persons serving in the U.S. military with ties to this area. We invite anyone within our circulation area having family members in the military to submit a color photograph of them in uniform with a brief letter including the person's name, rank, branch of service (Army, Navy, etc.), job qualification (if known), family, where they are stationed and where they are currently deployed.

Submissions can be brought to the newspaper office at 403 W. Atchison, mailed to *The Pampa News*, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066, or e-mailed to Editor Dee Dee Laramore at deedee@pan-tex.net. If e-mailed, the photos must be in a jpeg (.jpg) format and the information submitted as e-mail text (typed in as part of the e-mail itself, not as a separate document).

A self-addressed, stamped envelope must be included to have the photograph returned. Please do not submit photographs that cannot be replaced. Sometimes photos can be damaged or lost. *The Pampa News* will not be responsible for damaged or lost photos. One person will be featured each day on a first-submitted, first-printed basis.

Help us celebrate those brave souls who are fighting to preserve our freedom.

And now there's five vying for mayor

By NANCY YOUNG
 MANAGING EDITOR

Interest in the affairs of Pampa's government appears to be abounding as five candidates are seeking the mayoral position and both city commissioners are being challenged in their bid for re-election.

Filing deadline for the offices

closed at 5 p.m. Wednesday as Pampa Regional Medical Center's administrator Norman Stephens and John Goddard, an inspector/broker, both tossed their hats into the race for mayor bringing the total to five who are seeking the spot.

Current Mayor Lonny Robbins, Ward 2 Commissioner Jeff Andrews and Mike Rummerfield had earlier

indicated they would be seeking the position.

Robbins is pastor of Trinity Fellowship Church while Andrews is comptroller of Bourland-Leverage. Rummerfield is field operations manager for Sidwell Oil Company.

A run-off may follow the May 3 election as one candidate must obtain 51 percent of the vote to win the

mayor's spot, according to officials.

Ward 2 Commissioner Jeff McCormick is challenged by Doug Locke on the ballot. McCormick is SHE coordinator with Cabot while Locke is a certified public accountant and owner of an internet service.

Ward 4 Commissioner Bob Dixon, local Veterans Service Officer, is being

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(Photo by David Bowser)

Tom Coleman leaves Swisher Country courthouse for lunch during an evidentiary hearing in Tulia Wednesday. Coleman was an undercover agent in a controversial 1999 drug sting operation here.

Sheriff twice requests state agency to seal Coleman file

By BETSY BLANEY
 ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

TULIA (AP) — Swisher County Sheriff Larry Stewart testified Wednesday that he twice requested the sealing of a state agency file on Tom Coleman, the undercover drug agent at the center of controversial 1999 drug cases in Tulia.

Under defense questioning in a court-ordered evidentiary hearing in the cases of four of the defendants, Stewart testified he wrote letters in April 1998 and February 1999 to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education in an

effort to protect Coleman's identity.

"It made sense to me," Stewart testified. "I had concerns about identifying information. That was the only reason I did that."

Coleman, who is no longer in law enforcement, worked alone and used no audio or video surveillance during the 18-month undercover investigation. Little or no corroborating evidence was introduced during the trials. His testimony led to prison sentences for many of the 46 people arrested — 39 of whom were black — in the July 1999 Tulia drug busts. Civil rights groups believe the busts were racially

motivated. Coleman was expected to testify Thursday.

The convictions of four men, whose sentences were as long as 90 years, were upheld on direct appeal. However, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals last year asked the trial court for clarification on whether Jason Jerome Williams, Christopher Eugene Jackson, Freddie Brookins Jr. and Joe Moore were convicted solely on Coleman's word and whether the state failed to turn over information from Coleman's background that may have impeached his testimony.

According to earlier testimony (See HEARING, Page 3)



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OBITUARIES

THOMAS WILLIAM BAILEY
1921-2003

MCLEAN — Thomas Bailey, 81, died Wednesday, March 19, 2003. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Friday in Alanreed Cemetery at Alanreed. Arrangements are under the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral Home of McLean.

Mr. Bailey was born Aug. 14, 1921, to Walter and Freeda Bailey. He married Neva June McDowell on Oct. 20, 1969, at Panhandle; the couple celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary in 2002.

He was a veteran of the Coast Guard, serving from 1942-45 and was an oilfield pumper for more than 60 years.

Survivors include a son, Rocky Alan Bailey of Morse; a stepson, Stan Miller of Pampa; two stepdaughters, Jeanne Brunt of Lela and Janet Lowe of Morley, Mich.; three sisters, Dora Mae Bailey, Glyndora Moore and Bonnie Sutton, all of McLean; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

JIMMIE LOUISE JORDAN
1910-2003

Jimmie Louise Jordan, 93, of Pampa, went home to the Lord on March 19, 2003, in Odessa, Texas. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Jordan was born Jan. 14, 1910, in Electra, Texas, to Bill and Lula Smith. She married W.E. Jordan in 1926. She had been a resident of Pampa for 57 years.

She was employed by Bentley's and Margo's in downtown Pampa for many years.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, three grandsons and a great-grandson.

Survivors include two daughters, Jean Reeves and Sue Jones, both of Odessa; four granddaughters, Shana McGill and Gay Lynn Smith, both of Odessa, Brana Porche of



Houston and Joanne York of Conroe; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 4-5 p.m., on Friday at the funeral home and requests memorials be to Pampa Sheltered Workshop, 1301 W. Somerville, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

SERVICES TOMORROW

BAILEY, Thomas William — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Alanreed Cemetery, Alanreed.

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported today the following arrests and calls ending at 7 a.m.

Tuesday, March 18

Counterfeiting on checks was reported in the 1100 block of West Alcock.

Wednesday, March 19

Justin Dale Smith, 17, 506 N. Roberta, was arrested on a capias pro fine for pedestrian on a prohibited roadway.

Travis Lincoln Neely, 45, Perryton, was arrested on municipal warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Terry Dwain Woods, 46, Perryton, was arrested on municipal warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Marcus Lynn Walker, 38, Perryton, was arrested on municipal warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia.

A child was reported missing in the 1100 block of Mary Ellen. The child was found.

Found property identified as a pool stick and CD player was reported to the police department.

Report of a lost cell phone in the 2300 block of Hobart was made to the police department.

An assault was reported in the 1100 block of Prairie. According to the police department, there were no injuries.

Report of theft under \$50 was taken in the 2100 block of North Hobart. Gasoline in the amount of \$20 was reported taken.

Burglary of a building was reported in the 600 block of North Wynne. Damage of \$25 was reported to a building. Nothing was reported missing.

Report of burglary of a vehicle was taken in the 200 block of West Kingsmill. A brown leather carrying case containing 10 bottles of medication was reported missing. According to the police report, the vehicle was unlocked and there was not an estimated amount of loss.

A male juvenile escaped detention in the 1100 block of Duncan. He was apprehended.

A burglary was reported in the 500 block of North Rider. Items missing were an Xbox, video game system and two games. Police reported forced entry through the front door. Estimated loss was \$430.

Thursday, March 20

Failure to identify was reported in the 1100 block of North Duncan.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	NA	20.95	+0.45
Milo	NA	24.78	+0.52
Corn	NA	22.94	+0.54
Soybeans	NA	44.57	+0.47
	NA	11.34	+0.14
	NA	39.45	+0.07
	NA	12.74	-0.44
	NA	3.97	-0.18
	NA	14.01	-0.56
	NA	35.29	-0.30
	NA	21.27	-0.13
	NA	24.83	-0.17
	NA	19.95	-0.43
	NA	51.14	-0.24
	NA	39.74	+0.45
	NA	2.52	+0.10
	NA	65.52	-0.31
	NA	52.21	-0.84
	NA	17.97	-0.21
	NA	7.22	-0.36
	NA	336.45	
	NA	4.42	
	NA	29.88	

The following show prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation.

OXY	30.05	-0.65
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The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

BP	39.07	-0.25
Celanese	17.99	-0.69
Cabot Corp.	22.93	-0.45
Cabot Oil Gas	23.77	-0.23
Coca Cola	41.04	-0.77
VLO	40.55	-0.20

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service reported the following calls ending at 7 a.m.

Wednesday, March 19

7:28 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center; one patient was transported to BSA-West in Amarillo.

10:28 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC; one patient was transported to BSAW.

7 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Naida; one patient was transported to BSA-East in Amarillo.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department received no emergency calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

GRAY CO. SHERIFF

Wednesday, March 19

Rodney Scott, 27, 1028 Neal, was arrested by Constable Chris Lockridge for parole violation and evading, two JP 2 capias pro fine warrants for open container and no drivers license, and a municipal capias pro fine for no drivers license.

Joy Michelle Hollon, 22, 2124 N. Nelson, was arrested for evading arrest with a motor vehicle.

Lonnie Allen Hughes, 21, of Springfield, Mo., was arrested by Department of Public Safety on a fugitive warrant and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

David Eugene Moore, 20, of Ozark, Mo., was arrested by DPS for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Iciminda Marie Moore, 19, Springfield, Mo., was arrested by DPS for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

City Briefs

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Columbia data recorder found

By **MARCIA DUNN**
AP AEROSPACE WRITER

The recorder, found by a search team earlier in the day near Hemphill in East Texas, could hold valuable information about temperatures, aerodynamic pressures and vibrations on Columbia in its final minutes of flight, officials say.

HOUSTON (AP) — A data recorder has been found, fully intact, from the shattered Columbia and its magnetic tape may hold clues to the spaceship's destruction in the skies over Texas.

"It's very, very promising, but we just won't know how useful it's going to be until they're able to retrieve the data," Laura Brown, a spokeswoman for the accident investigation board, said Wednesday night.

The recorder, found by a search team earlier in the day near Hemphill in East Texas, could hold valuable information about temperatures, aerodynamic pressures and vibrations on Columbia in its final minutes of flight, Brown said. She likened it to an airplane's black box.

"We have no way of knowing whether the data can be recovered," said Brown, who works for the Federal Aviation Administration. But she added that if it can, "it will give us, hopefully, a lot of information about what was going on with the orbiter."

In fact, it could be one of the most significant pieces of shuttle debris found in the six weeks since the accident.

The discovery — the recorder was right side up on a damp slope — was all the more thrilling for NASA and the investigation board because it had been days since any major pieces of the shuttle had been found.

"It's very far between when we find things that are on our list of most wanted items," said NASA spokesman James Hartsfield. "But that excitement is tempered some by waiting to find out if, indeed, we can get data from it and, secondly, just what that data could tell us."

The recorder, which sustained some heat damage, arrived Thursday morning at Johnson Space Center. Hartsfield said it probably will

be late next week, at the earliest, before experts devise a plan to analyze the 9,400 feet of magnetic tape.

"We want to be very careful how we deal with it," Hartsfield said. "So we're not in a rush here."

Brown said the recorder, called the orbiter experiments support system, or OEX, normally is turned on right before a space shuttle begins its descent through the atmosphere and runs for one or two hours.

Columbia broke apart during its atmospheric re-entry on Feb. 1, just minutes short of a planned Florida touchdown.

The investigation board suspects the left wing of Columbia was breached, possibly by launch debris 16 days earlier, and that searing atmospheric gases penetrated the hole and carved a deadly path through the wing and into the left landing gear compartment. All seven astronauts were killed.

About 30,000 pieces of Columbia have been found, representing nearly 20 percent of the descending shuttle.

NASA's space shuttles have a variety of computers and data recorders, but nothing directly comparable to the black boxes on airplanes that give crash investigators detailed flight information.

Hartsfield said the recovered data recorder, about the size of an old videocassette recorder, is of a type used for the initial shuttle flights by Columbia back in the early 1980s to collect information from dozens of sensors. It was modified over the years and no longer was gathering the same type of data.

The recorder was housed beneath the lower floor of the crew cabin.

Earlier Wednesday, well before the recorder was found and identified, NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe said investigators may never find a single definitive cause for the catastrophe.

"We're six weeks into this and there's not going to be an 'ah-hah'," he told the NASA Advisory Council at Stennis Space Flight Center in Mississippi.

O'Keefe said contributing factors could include hardware failure, the breakdown of processes and procedures during the flight and bad judgment calls. He did not elaborate on those factors, but noted: "I bet it's going to be a combination of all three."

O'Keefe said he does, however, expect answers that will enable NASA to resume shuttle flights.

"My personal sense is that the problem is definable and the problem is fixable," he said.

In New Orleans, meanwhile, NASA's deputy associate administrator for spaceflight, Michael Kostelnik, led a meeting to discuss how to keep the space shuttles operating through 2015. The two-day session was billed as the beginning of the space agency's process of determining how to extend the life span of the three remaining shuttles.

The shuttles, which were built to fly no more than 100 missions, could be needed far longer than expected, Kostelnik said. Columbia, the oldest in the fleet, was making its 28th flight.

Motorists still driving despite high gas prices

DALLAS (AP) — Amy Townsley gets \$20 worth of gas each time she fills up.

Before gas prices went up, the 24-year-old Dallas bill collector could get a full tank of gas with that amount for her Nissan Xterra sport utility vehicle.

But as she pumped gas at a north Dallas station charging \$1.79 for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline Wednesday afternoon, \$20 wasn't enough.

"It doesn't fill it up. It's about half a tank," she said. "(But) I don't want to spend more than \$20."

According to the AAA of Texas, average gas prices in Dallas last weekend was \$1.62, the highest of any metropolitan area in Texas, sparking changes in the driving habits of some motorists.

"We are certainly seeing a change in mind-set in taking less trips, shorter trips perhaps, staying within Texas for vacation or spring break, as opposed to going to other states and areas that are longer distances," said AAA Dallas-area

manager David Wainstein.

Some motorists who didn't change vacation plans did make changes in daily driving habits.

"I don't go out as much. Either that or I let my friends drive more often," said Eric Mackey, 22, a manager at Blockbuster Video.

Mackey said a fill-up used to cost \$12; now that price is closer to \$17. "It's pretty ridiculous," he said.

Other drivers have come up with different ways to save money at the gas pump.

"I'm letting my corporation pay for my gas. As a business owner, I have that slight benefit, so I'm using it," said Douglas Berry of Dallas-based Texas Fire Protection Specialists, a company that installs commercial fire alarms.

John Huang takes advantage of the small differences in price between gas stations.

"I pump more often. Since the prices are going up, the more you pump the less you spend," the 28-year-old con-

sultant from Houston said.

Wainstein said he knows some AAA members who shop on the Internet to avoid driving.

He gave some tips on how to stretch a car's gas average, including streamlining shopping trips to an area closer to home. Regular car maintenance — checking tire pressure, changing the oil — also helps, Wainstein said.

Driving at a steady speed and not having too much weight in the vehicle's trunk are good also ways to save gas, he said.

Wainstein said the recent gas prices are the highest he's seen in quite a while, and with the United States taking military actions in Iraq and Afghanistan Wednesday night, prices may remain unstable for quite some time.

Some are resigned to the fact that gas is expensive. Gabriel Quinney, 19, an unemployed warehouse worker, said he hasn't changed his driving habits at all.

"I just spend my money on gas," he said.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today, cloudy in the morning then becoming partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the mid 50s. North winds 20 to 25 mph. Caution advised on area lakes. Tonight, partly cloudy. Patchy fog after midnight. Lows in the mid 30s. North winds 10 to 15 mph. Friday...Partly cloudy. Patchy fog in the morning. Highs in the upper 50s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Friday night, mostly cloudy. Slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 30s. East winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 20 percent. Saturday, mostly cloudy. Slight chance of

showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 50s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 20 percent. Saturday night, partly cloudy in the evening then clearing. Lows in the mid 30s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s. Sunday night, mostly clear. Lows in the upper 30s. Monday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the lower 70s. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the mid 50s.

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WAR

armed with chemical or biological weapons.

None of the Iraqi missiles caused injuries or damage, and one was intercepted by a Patriot missile, according to U.S. officers.

Later Thursday, air raid sirens wailed repeatedly in Kuwait as U.S. military officials donned flak vests amid warnings that another volley of Scuds was possible.

As Rumsfeld spoke in Washington, orange flames were visible in the direction of the southern Iraqi oil center of Basra. Associated Press reporter Ross Simpson, embedded with a Marine unit in Kuwait, was told by a battalion commander that "three oil wells have been torched" in Iraq.

Rumsfeld said he had heard similar reports of the Saddam regime setting fire to oil wells. "Needless to say, it is a crime for that regime to be destroying the riches of the Iraqi people," he said.

The U.S. operation gained a boost, meanwhile, when Turkey's parliament Thursday

approved U.S. military use of its airspace for the war on Iraq.

The government-backed proposal allows American warplanes based in Europe or the United States to cross Turkey to strike Iraq. The United States also could use Turkish airspace to transport troops into northern Iraq or to bring supplies to the region.

The U.S. launched its long-awaited war against Saddam on Wednesday night, targeting him personally with a barrage of cruise missiles and bombs as a prelude to invasion.

The opening salvo against Saddam was not the expected all-out aerial bombardment, but a surgical strike seeking to eliminate the Iraqi leader and his inner circle even before an invasion. Saddam, in a TV appearance that U.S. officials said appeared to be delivered after the attack, assailed it as a "shameful crime," while President Bush said the world's security was at stake.

Bush was awake early, meeting with National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice at 6 a.m. EST Thursday before heading to the Oval Office less than an hour later.

Iraqi Information Minister

Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf said the U.S. strikes killed one person and hit a customs office and some empty Iraqi TV buildings, among other targets.

Fourteen people were treated at local hospitals, but none appeared linked to Saddam, Iraqi doctors said. The wounded reportedly included six members of a suburban Baghdad family who were eating breakfast and were hit by shrapnel, and an Iraqi television journalist.

The International Red Cross on Thursday confirmed one death and 14 wounded in the initial attacks.

In Baghdad, in the aftermath of the initial attack, the city was quiet and a few children rode bicycles or kicked soccer balls on the streets.

As night fell, with the threat of another attack, the streets emptied as people rushed to find safe haven in shelters, their homes or the countryside.

About 1,000 U.S. troops launched a raid on villages in southeastern Afghanistan, hunting for members of the al-Qaeda terrorist network. The U.S. operation appeared to signal to Osama bin Laden and his lieutenants that war with

Iraq would not mean any respite for them.

The State Department warned U.S. citizens abroad that they face increased danger of retaliatory terrorist actions and anti-American violence. The U.S. Embassy in Pakistan was shut down because of security concerns.

The first missiles hit targets in Baghdad shortly before dawn Thursday, less than two hours after Bush's deadline of 8 p.m. EST Wednesday for Saddam to yield power.

Bush briefly addressed the nation to announce that the war had begun. "I assure you, this will not be a campaign of half measures, and we will accept no outcome but victory," the president said.

U.S. and British troops massed in northern Kuwait welcomed news of the first strikes in the war that the United States calls Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"It's about time," said Lance Cpl. Chad Borgmann, 23, of Sidney, Neb., a member of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit. "We've been here a month and a week. We're ready to go."

The initial salvos against

Baghdad consisted of 40 Tomahawk cruise missiles launched from Navy ships in the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea, as well as precision-guided 2,000-pound bombs dropped from two F-117A Nighthawk stealth jets.

U.S. officials said the attacks were not a sign that the main air offensive against Iraq had begun, but were approved by Bush in response to intelligence that Saddam and his sons, Qusai and Odai, might be sleeping in one of the targets.

About two hours after the cruise missiles hit, a subdued-looking Saddam appeared on Iraqi television in a military uniform. An initial review of the tape by U.S. officials indicated it was Saddam, not a double.

The fact that Saddam read from a steno pad indicated the speech was delivered after the strike, because it was prepared in haste, the officials said.

"We promise you that Iraq, its leadership and its people will stand up to the evil invaders," he said. "They will face a bitter defeat, God willing."

Hundreds of armed members of Saddam's Baath party

and security forces took up positions in Baghdad after the attack.

State and local authorities intensified security measures, hoping to shield power plants, bridges and other facilities against possible retaliatory strikes. In New York City, police prowled streets with bomb-sniffing dogs, submachine guns and radiation detectors.

Both Russia and China demanded an immediate halt to the military action, which Russian President Vladimir Putin called "a big political mistake." Religious parties in Pakistan called for a general strike to protest U.S. policy, and hundreds of stone-throwing anti-war protesters in Egypt clashed with riot police.

Support for Washington came from allies Britain and Japan, among others. Australia said its warships and fighter jets were involved in combat support operations Thursday.

In Israel, civilians began carrying gas masks and air defense units were placed on highest alert to intercept any incoming Iraqi missiles.

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PAMPANS

said she couldn't imagine being the mother of a military serviceman in Iraq.

"He just graduated from high school last May," she said. City Manager Mitch Grant said, "It's something that has to happen."

"We tried diplomacy, and that didn't work," said Grant. "I have faith in our leadership that they made the right decision."

Grant also said that he believes that the information the country's leaders possess caused them to believe the action is necessary.

"The downside of this war far outweighs what would happen if we didn't take action," he said.

Pampa Police Officer Brett Madsen said he believed the action is finishing what was started with the Persian Gulf War in 1991.

"I think it's just 12 years too late," he said.

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HEARING

mony, some letters in the commission file were critical of Coleman's law enforcement abilities. There were also documents showing Coleman owed a large amount to businesses in Cochran County.

Coleman was charged with theft and abuse of official capacity by Cochran County officials during the undercover operation. Coleman paid restitution and the criminal charges against him were dropped.

Even after the Coleman's undercover operation finished and he no longer worked for Swisher County, Stewart didn't request the file be unsealed.

"If he doesn't work for me any longer, I wouldn't be concerned if the record stayed sealed," Stewart testified.

Stewart testified he never asked commission officials whether there was anything negative in Coleman's file.

Stewart also echoed earlier testimony in which Coleman had been heard using a racial epithet.

On Tuesday, one of Coleman's supervisors at the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force, Lt. Michael Amos, testified that he heard Coleman use the

word and that he was chastised but not disciplined.

Amos, who returned to the stand Wednesday, also testified he encouraged Coleman to "diversify" from the black population and make drug buys from whites and Hispanics.

Stewart said he wasn't able to specify a time and place he had heard Coleman say the word.

"I'm sure I heard him use the word," Stewart said. "I'm not sure it was one or two or three times." He testified he could not recall if he heard Coleman use the word prior to the trials.

Stewart also testified he had read over the depositions of several others who have testified in the hearings or will, a revelation that started defense attorney Mitchell Zamoff.

"We're going to do the research tonight," said Vanita Gupta, a defense attorney with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. "We're concerned about it."

Retired Judge Ron Chapman of Dallas, who is presiding over the hearings, will make a recommendation to the appellate court after the hearings. A ruling on the cases, which could result in new trials, is expected in May.

Woman who ran over husband assigned to prison work detail

HOUSTON (AP) — After a month at a prison psychiatric hospital, the Houston woman convicted of killing her cheating husband by running him over with her car has been assigned to a women's prison to serve her 20 year murder sentence.

Clara Harris arrived late Wednesday at the Mountain View Prison at Gatesville, Texas, Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Todd said.

She is cooperative and had a

brief interview with the warden and indicated she would be serving her time without incident," Todd said Thursday. "She will live in dormitory-style housing and will mix and work with other inmates."

Harris, a dentist, also would be given a job at the prison's computer repair and maintenance shop, where inmates rebuild computers for school districts, he said. She is not allowed to practice dentistry.

North Rolling Plains RC&D plans membership meeting on March 25

North Rolling Plains Resource Conservation & Development Council will hold its annual membership meeting in Wellington on Tuesday, March 25, at the new Wellington Activity Center. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at noon.

North Rolling Plains RC&D is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that promotes and supports rural community development in a 10-county area of the eastern Texas Panhandle which includes Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Roberts, Hemphill, Gray, Wheeler, Donley, Collingsworth, Briscoe and Hall counties.

RC&D Council representatives from the area's cities, counties, soil & water conservation districts, special districts and other supporting organizations will be elected during the meeting. Anyone interested in serving as a representative should call the RC&D office in Pampa at 806-669-0312.

A 10-member board of directors will also be elected. The board of directors governs the operations of the RC&D Council. The Board of Directors consists of one representative elected from each of the 10 counties.

Board of Directors for 2002 were as follows: Chairman, Judge Bob Gober, Hemphill County; Vice Chairman, Judge Vernon Cook, Roberts County; Secretary Treasure, Joe Wheeley, Gray County; Doug McGarraugh, Ochiltree County;

Judge Willis Smith, Lipscomb County; Don King, Wheeler County; Judge Jack Hall, Donley County; Dan Langford, Collingsworth County; Judge Ted Kingery, Briscoe County; and Judge Kenneth Dale, Hall County.

A three-member executive committee, consisting of the chairman, vice chairman and secretary-treasurer, oversees the day-to-day operations of the Council through the RC&D office and staff located in Pampa.

RC&D staff in the Pampa office include these persons: John Crowell, RC&D coordinator with USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service; Janet McNeely, administrative assistant; and Tammy Clark, administrative assistant.

The featured speaker this year will be Wellington City Manager John Sessions. Sessions will discuss how the City of Wellington, and the Collingsworth County Commissioner's Court, developed plans, raised local funds and obtained grants to build the new Wellington Activity Center and the Collingsworth County Stock Show facilities. Meeting attendees will tour both facilities followed by lunch provided by First Ag. Credit and the Salt Fork Soil & Water Conservation District.

The public is invited to attend. Please RSVP by calling the RC&D office at 806-669-0312.

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MAYOR

challenged by Ed Robinson, owner of Hamburger Station.

Pampa Independent School District Board of Trustees didn't have any candidates added on the last day of filing.

Board member Nancy Coffee, a retired teacher, is being challenged for her position by James "Jimmy" Goode and William Charles Smith. Goode and Smith are both self employed.

Current board member Lee Porter did not draw an opponent in his bid for re-election. He is also self-employed.

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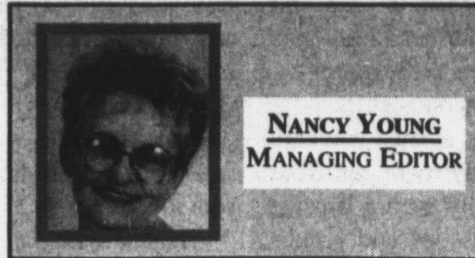
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We are at war. As I listened and watched the television last night, I received a large number of phone calls asking about the status of my son and daughter who are career military.



NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

With each caller I was able to tell them that both Jay and Kathy are on U.S. soil. Talking with many longtime friends and relatives I learned of several young men and women who are not in the U.S., but are in the area of the war.

seas to finish what the U.S. began in 1991. Knowing Jay as only a mother can, I certainly understand his feelings. He was raised to finish what he began and to believe in his country. As I drove to work this morning, I reflected on the many conversations we had after he returned from the Gulf.

My thoughts are going out to these families and all the family members who have a loved one serving in the area. This is one time I can honestly say, "I know how you feel. I've been there."

He had wanted to "take care of the situation" the first time, and would get upset when people would say we should have done so then. "We did just what the UN would allow us to do," he would say.

Memories of the beginning of the Persian Gulf War are firmly imprinted in my mind as Jay was there on a ship. And then he was in the Afghanistan area when Sept. 11 occurred. Kathy was sent over shortly after the terrorist attacks on U.S. soil.

Yesterday when word reached *The Pampa News* of the firing on our planes, three employees leaped into Publisher L.W. McCall's office where there is a television. All of us are mothers of military members.

The date of March 19 joins many other infamous dates in our country's history. For many people Dec. 7, 1941, will be a date they will never forget as the second World War began with the bombing of Pearl Harbor. The date of Jan. 16 is in my mind as it was the beginning of the Persian Gulf.

DeeDee Laramore's son is with the 101st in the U.S. Army. He is with the 3rd Brigade in the Iraq area. Brenda Cook's daughters are both in the military. One is in the Air Force stateside and the other in the U.S. Navy in San Diego along with my daughter.

My youngest son Bob called last night to tell me he had just talked to his brother by phone at his base on the West Coast and that he desperately wanted to be over-

As I looked at both of them through

teary eyes, I thought of the determination and strong resolve of military moms. The meaning of mortality hits home when war begins. These families have a kinship with each other - each knowing of the others' thoughts and fears.

Listening about the anti-war protests, I have extremely little patience. (My mother always said I never had patience.) I've lost my patience with the French, too. I now have Freedom Toast and Freedom Fries at my home. There will be no French wine in my home either.

I saw on the CNNMoney website a couple of days ago a listing of French-owned parent companies. They included Motel 6, Red Roof Inns, Wild Turkey (bourbon), Seagram's Gin, Maybelline cosmetics, BIC (razors, pen, lighters), 1-800-Flowers, Car & Driver Magazine, Women's Day Magazine, RCA electronics (TVs, DVDs) and many others. My next pursuit will be to find out which companies are American-owned and only buy American.

As you see family members of those involved in this war overseas, let them know you support them. If you feel uncomfortable doing that, just pray for them and their loved one. Your support means so much to them.

We're all in this together. Display the red, white and blue.

(Nancy Young may be reached at nanceyoung@hotmail.com)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Got food to eat? Thank our agriculture industry

To the editor:
 Where does your food come from?
 If you're like many Americans, the answer is the grocery store. And frankly, that disturbs me. The grocery store isn't where food comes from - it's just from where it's distributed. In reality, far too many people are unaware of the role of American agriculture in their daily lives ... and what it really takes to have food on their dinner table.
 Just a few generations ago, most people were a part of - and had friends or relatives involved with - agriculture. Today, that's no longer the case. That's why I'm writing, because agriculture is responsible for providing the necessities of life ... food, fiber, clothing and shelter. And it's about time Americans recognize that contribution!
 American farmers are working harder than ever, and it shows. Today, each American farmer feeds more than 120 people. The need for food produced in the United States is dramatic. Agriculture is this nation's No. 1 export, and vitally important in sustaining a healthy economy.
 It's not just the farmer who makes our food possible. The entire agriculture industry, all the way to the grocery store, are vital links in a chain that brings food to every citizen and millions of people abroad.
 Frankly, it's easy to take agriculture for granted in America. Our food is readily accessible and safe. For this, we're unbelievably fortunate, but that doesn't mean we don't have an obligation to recognize how it's made possible.

This March 21 is National Ag Day, hosted by the Agriculture Council of America. Ag Day is a good time to reflect - and be grateful for - American agriculture.
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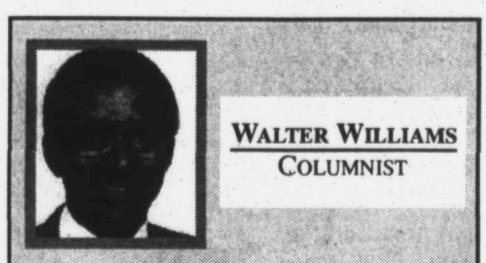
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Price good indicator of market

We've all seen gasoline prices rising; is that good news or bad news? Congress could enact price controls and "odd and even" days for gasoline purchases like they did in the 1970s. Sure we'd be paying lower prices, but the selling price of a good is just one element of its cost. The full cost of a good includes all additional resources expended for its acquisition. These additional resources might include time and travel that are by no means free.



WALTER WILLIAMS
COLUMNIST

Say that Congress legislates gasoline price controls that sets a maximum price of \$1 a gallon. As sure as night follows day, there'd be long lines and gasoline shortages, just as there were in the 1970s. For the average consumer, a \$1.60 a gallon selling price and no waiting lines is a darn sight cheaper than a controlled \$1 a gallon price plus searching for a gasoline station that has gas and then waiting in line. If your average purchase is 10 gallons, and if an hour or so of your time is worth more than \$6, the \$1.60 a gallon free market price is cheaper.

is true when a good becomes abundant or is expected to become abundant.

Prices aren't just made up. Prices are important market signals reflecting the relative scarcity conditions of any good. Rising prices imply an increase in the scarcity, or expected scarcity, of a good. In other words, if a good becomes scarcer or is expected to become scarcer, its price will rise. The opposite

When a good becomes scarce, there are several socially optimal responses: Consumers should economize on its usage and search for cheaper substitutes. Producers should increase production of the good and search for substitutes. Rising prices provide both consumers and producers with incentives to behave in socially optimal ways. Plus, they do so voluntarily.

and holding it for a later date, is to reduce today's supply and raise today's prices.

You say, "Williams, that's what's wrong with capitalism; greedy speculators rigging the market!" Imagine there were no futures market and speculators. In our scenario, it would surely mean there'd be more oil today at lower prices, but what about the future availability of oil? It would be scarcer and at higher prices without futures market and speculators.

Another player in this economizing process are futures markets such as the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX). One function of a futures market is to allocate goods over time. Let's look at a simplified example of this process. People can buy or sell orders today for future deliveries of oil -- for instance, December 2003. Say today's oil price is \$35 a barrel and people expect the December price to be \$50. Speculators can buy oil today for \$35, hold it and sell it in December for \$50 a barrel, making a \$15 profit. One effect of taking oil off today's market,

Without futures markets allocating goods over time, there'd easily be feast or famine. By the way, most of us are mini-speculators. If gasoline is \$1.60 a gallon this week, and we expect it to be \$2 next week, I'm guessing that the average person will fill his tank to the brim this week -- which, by the way, would cause this week's price to rise. Of course, the price might turn out to be \$1 a gallon next week; we'd lose, just like our speculator would if the December oil price turned out to be \$20 a barrel instead of \$50.

Markets are not perfect. After all, markets consist of millions upon millions of imperfect independent decision-makers like you and me. Abundant evidence, not faith, demonstrates that markets are far more reliable and predictable than a bunch of arrogant politicians and bureaucrats.

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, March 20, the 79th day of 2003. There are 286 days left in the year. Spring arrives in the northern hemisphere at 8 p.m. Eastern time.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 20, 1852, Harriet Beecher Stowe's influential novel about slavery, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," was first published.

On this date:

In 1413, England's King Henry IV died; he was succeeded by Henry V.

In 1727, physicist, mathematician and astronomer Sir Isaac Newton died in London.

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte entered Paris, begin-

ning his "100 Days" rule.

In 1828, Norwegian poet-dramatist Henrik Ibsen was born.

In 1896, U.S. Marines landed in Nicaragua to protect U.S. citizens in the wake of a revolution.

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Wal-Mart Assistant Manager Tammy George, right, recently presented Sue Abbott, of Pampa Fine Arts Association, with a donation check in the amount of \$500 from Wal-Mart.



(Pampa News photo)

Wal-Mart Assistant Manager Tammy George, left, recently presented Monica Galloway, of Crisis Pregnancy Center, with a donation check in the amount of \$500 from Wal-Mart.

Fidel Castro's unrelenting crackdown

HAVANA (AP) — U.S. officials and Cuban dissidents reacted with anger as Fidel Castro's government arrested more activists and vowed to put them on trial in the country's harshest crackdown on dissent in years.

As tensions with the United States increased, a Cuban airliner carrying 29 passengers was hijacked at knife-point Wednesday night and landed under U.S. military escort in Key West, Fla. The six hijackers were detained and faced federal air piracy charges.

At least 46 dissidents have been detained in a two-day operation by Cuban state security agents, human rights activist Elizardo Sanchez said. He said arrests of anti-government activists were continued Wednesday night.

The detentions come amid a sharp deterioration in relations between Washington and Havana, which has repeatedly criticized the Bush administration for encouraging dissent on the Caribbean island.

The government accuses the dissidents of being linked to Washington's top diplomat in Havana, James Cason, who during his six months on the island has met publicly with opposition members. In one such appearance last week, he allowed dissident journalists to use his official residence for a meeting.

Cason has defended his actions as attempts to promote democracy and human rights on the Caribbean island.

Palestinian PM offers hope for end of deadlock

JERUSALEM (AP) — Mahmoud Abbas, a pragmatic leader and critic of the armed uprising, accepted the post of Palestinian prime minister, raising hopes of a way out of the bloody Israeli-Palestinian deadlock after 30 months.

Yet the 67-year-old Abbas could easily fail: he's up against a Yasser Arafat's reluctance to share power, has little grassroots support and will depend to some extent on the goodwill of hawkish Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

Abbas accepted the job Wednesday several hours after being tapped by the Palestinian leader, who agreed to creating the position last month amid intense international pressure.

Abbas and Arafat have known each other for four decades. In the 1960s, they co-founded Fatah, the Palestinian faction that has led the struggle for statehood.

The reclusive Abbas has never challenged Arafat in public, but their relationship has often been stormy. They have argued in private — most recently about the direction of the conflict with Israel — and

Abbas would sometimes withdraw in anger for extended periods, waiting for Arafat to offer reconciliation.

The tensions became apparent at a meeting of Fatah leaders Tuesday, participants said. Arafat groused that U.S. officials have offered to receive Abbas in Washington, while continuing to boycott him — the elected Palestinian leader. Abbas tried to reassure Arafat, saying he would never betray him and reminding him of their shared history, according to those present.

The Palestinian parliament assigned considerable powers to the future prime minister, giving him the right to form a Cabinet and supervise the ministers — tasks that were until now the sole preserve of Arafat.

The Palestinian leader tried at the last minute to diminish the new job, seeking a final say over Cabinet appointments, but was rebuffed by legislators Tuesday — the clearest sign yet that Palestinians are no longer willing to tolerate one-man rule.

However, Arafat is far from

being sidelined — as the United States and Israel hope will be the outcome of installing a prime minister. Arafat retains control over the security forces and a final say over future peace talks.

In this complex relationship, much will depend on Abbas' assertiveness, charisma and political guile — traits he is not known for.

Commentators noted that in the past, the patrician Abbas has chosen to remain in the background and avoid confrontation with Arafat. "He (Abbas) will have to overcome the personal (issues) and not sulk and accept the challenges of governing," said Mahdi Abdel Hadi, head of the Jerusalem-based think tank Passia.

The mercurial Arafat may not even be Abbas' biggest worry.

The new prime minister will be under pressure to move quickly to ease the hardships of 3 million Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. In the past 30 months, Israeli travel bans and military strikes against suspected militants

have paralyzed daily life and brought the Palestinian economy to collapse.

Israel will have to ease restrictions, withdraw from Palestinian towns and stop targeted killings of militants if it wants to see Abbas succeed in bringing about a truce, said Ali Jarbawi, political scientist at the West Bank's Bir Zeit University.

"If he (Abbas) cannot deliver on basic things, his post will wither away," Jarbawi said.

Sharon, who met once with Abbas while prime minister, says he is ready to hold talks with Palestinian leaders other than Arafat, whom he has branded an arch-terrorist. However, Sharon insists Israel will keep hunting militants who have killed hundreds of

Israelis in shootings and bombings.

Despite his pragmatism, Abbas will not be an easy negotiating partner for Israel, said Former Israeli peace negotiator Yossi Beilin.

Beilin noted that Abbas has staked out tough positions on the "right of return" of Palestinian refugees and their descendants to Israel and on a Palestinian claim to east Jerusalem as a capital. He was among the hawks in the Palestinian delegation at the failed Mideast peace summit at Camp David in 2000.

However, Abbas has also called the armed uprising against Israel a historic mistake — while stopping short of pressuring Arafat to rein in the militants.

Insurers poised to cancel coverage in Mid-East

By MICHAEL LIEDTKE
AP BUSINESS WRITER

Now that the bombing has begun in Iraq, insurers seeking financial shelter from war are expected to cancel their riskiest policies in the Middle East.

By doing so, insurers will try to limit their exposure to losses caused by the war's destruction. Cancellations also allow insurers to offer new policies at much higher prices that reflect the perils of war.

"Insurance coverage is supposed to be for things that are unforeseen," said Chris Winans, who follows the

industry for Williams Capital Group. "If you deliberately put yourself at risk and put your assets in harm's way, you shouldn't expect coverage for something like that."

The first bombs of the war fell Thursday in Iraq — more than 40 Tomahawk cruise missiles and bombs dropped from two fighter jets. U.S. officials said the initial attack was aimed directly at Iraqi leaders, including President Saddam Hussein.

International insurers warned that wartime coverage for cargo headed to the Middle East would be canceled within 48 hours of the war's start. The policies give

carriers the flexibility to cancel the coverage if circumstances change dramatically.

"High-risk policies like this have to be individually negotiated," said Craig Berrington, general counsel for the American Insurance Association, a major trade group.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Victim Of Verbal Abuse Is Urged To Get Out, Get Help

DEAR ABBY: "Talked to Death in Minnesota" described her husband as forcing her to sit for hours listening to him criticize her. She detailed how he had moved her far from friends and family, and if anyone called or came to visit, how he would alienate them. You called his behavior abuse, and advised that she no longer allow him to isolate her, and that she should find a job if she didn't already have one.

I am familiar with that pattern of behavior, Abby. May I offer a few additional thoughts?

"Talked to Death" can get away from him, she should do it. And when her husband realizes he's losing control, she must be prepared for it, because his behavior will intensify. She should go elsewhere to telephone her old friends (with a calling card), get help, find a job, stay positive and move forward.

RECOVERING IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR RECOVERING: How kind of you to reach out to her, and to other people in verbally abusive relationships. It seems the spouse's actions are classic. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Talked to Death" must run as though her life depends on it, because it could. Fortunately, my family dragged me away while I still had a spark of self-esteem left. I spent more than 40 years "hoping things would change." They did — they got worse. Tell her she's in my thoughts and prayers. I'm happier and more secure in every way since I got away.

LIBERATED IN IOWA

DEAR LIBERATED: I'm not surprised you're doing better. You have rediscovered your self-worth.

One point I would like to add: When leaving an abuser, an escape plan should be worked out in advance, and the abuser should have no warning. Abusers are control freaks and can be unpredictable.

DEAR ABBY: After years of degradation, I finally left. My abuser had sought counseling (once) and was diagnosed with obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD). However, that became his excuse for everything he did. Nothing changed. He simply had an illness on which to blame his actions.

Medications can help to ease this disorder, especially when used with behavior modification therapy. But if "Talked to Death's" husband doesn't accept responsibility for his actions, she must get out before her self-esteem is damaged beyond repair.

It's never too late to start over. I'm now remarried, and happier than I ever thought possible to a man who treats me with love, dignity and respect.

ELATED IN TEXAS

DEAR ELATED: Good for you. People who love each other try to help build on their strengths, not capitalize on their weaknesses.

DEAR ABBY: I was the same as that woman's husband. I was a control freak. No one had an opinion better than mine. I never had anything nice to say to anyone about anything. Everyone had

something wrong with them. I am now in counseling and have discovered that I am the problem.

I hope that husband gets help, or that "Talked to Death" gets away before it goes any further. Perhaps then her husband will realize that because of his mouth, he has no one left, and he, too, will finally get the help he so desperately needs.

FEELING BETTER ABOUT ME IN GEORGIA

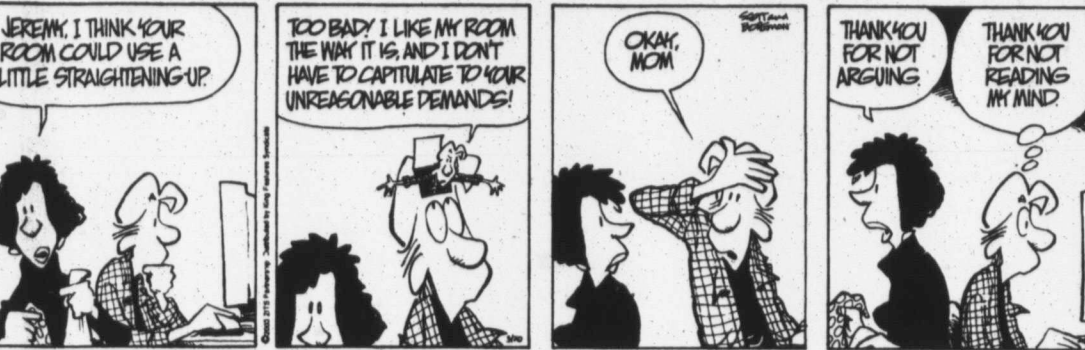
DEAR FEELING BETTER: Sometimes people have to hit rock bottom before they'll admit they have a problem and seek help. It takes courage to step back and look squarely in the mirror instead of blaming others for problems. I commend you for doing so.

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 29 Straight
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- 31 Convened
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- 9 Hoopla
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- 17 Stitched
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- 22 Irritable
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- 25 Airport auto
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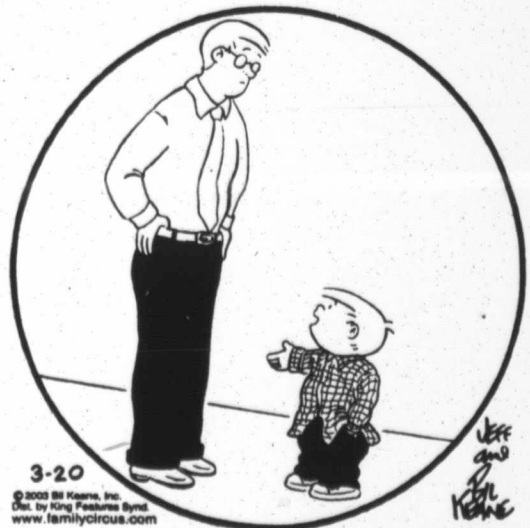
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SPORTS

Seabourn: Baseball helps kids meet challenges

NOTEBOOK

GENERAL

AUSTIN (AP) — The University Interscholastic League will not order postponements of high school sports events and says local districts should decide whether games will be played despite the beginning of war against Iraq. The UIL said that with the school year nearing its end, it would be impractical to postpone games and expect to make them up later. "While we are sensitive to this climate of impending war we are living in, we feel that students should have the opportunity to continue with their everyday lives as much as possible, and participation in interscholastic events is something that should not be denied them," said Charles Breithaupt, the UIL's athletic director. Breithaupt said UIL would follow the situation in the Middle East closely, "and if there is reason to believe the safety of our students and spectators will be threatened, we will take whatever steps necessary to ensure their well-being."

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS has reached an agreement to move NCAA tournament games to cable networks if it goes to full-time news coverage of a war with Iraq. CBS would not detail where the games would be moving, but network spokeswoman LeslieAnne Wade said viewers will be informed if contingency plans are needed. ESPN said it would be ready to air all of the first-round games on the main network or ESPN2. ESPN has not shown the tournament since 1990.

BASEBALL

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) — When Colby Lewis made the Texas Rangers' 25-man roster last spring, it was somewhat of a surprise. That wouldn't be the case this season. "My expectation is just wanting to come in and be kind of where I left off, in the starting rotation, being there every fifth day," Lewis said. Lewis didn't spend all of last season in the majors, but the hard-throwing right-hander began the year in the bullpen there and finished as one of the five Texas starters. The Rangers hope to fill the final two spots in their rotation this season with young pitchers. Lewis is among several candidates for those spots, and has a 5.63 ERA in four 'A' games this spring, allowing five runs on five hits over eight innings. There are no guarantees, but Lewis is confident in what he's accomplished this spring and what he learned last season. "It's just one of those things, you have to throw well and put it in their hands," Lewis said. "You make them make the decision. That's basically what I have to do." In his last spring appearance, Lewis threw a perfect inning in a rain-shortened game against Oakland on Monday. His most impressive outing came March 5 when he retired all nine batters he faced against Chicago in the same game the Rangers scored five runs on five hits in 2 1-3 innings against Cubs fireballer Kerry Wood.

PAMPA — "Baseball has immediate and long term benefits for children," said Josh Seabourn, the newly-appointed Commissioner of the Optimist Tee Ball and Pitching Machine Leagues. "The immediate benefits are interaction with other kids their age and learning teamwork, cooperation and sportsmanship," Seabourn added. "In the long term, baseball helps prepare kids to meet the challenges of life."

the University of Oklahoma and the University of Oklahoma College of Law. He participated in Optimist sports programs as a youth and has coached Optimist baseball for a year. He is a member of the Central Baptist Church where he teaches a youth Bible class on Wednesday night's and is an assistant Sunday School teacher for high school students. He is a member of the Board of Directors for Tralee Crisis Center.



Josh Seabourn is on having fun," Seabourn said. "Every kid bats in every inning and plays in the field every inning. We do not even keep score.

"In the Pitching Machine League, we allow each batter three strikes," Seabourn continued. "If he fails to hit the ball safely, we then put the ball on a tee and give him one more swing. We want each youngster to succeed." Seabourn praised the coaches who attended an organization meeting earlier this week. "Everybody is excited and ready to go," he said. "We will finish signing up this week. We do not have tryouts in either one of our

leagues because our draft is a blind draft. Every kid will be placed on a team." The final day of registration and tryouts for boys and girls from five to 15 will be today from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Assigning players to teams should take place within the next two weeks. Some teams in some leagues will begin practice as early as March 31. The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way Agency.

Texas Tech captures NIT opener against Nevada

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Bob Knight got a first-round win in the NIT as Texas Tech beat Nevada 66-54 on Wednesday night. But his emotions really seemed to be elsewhere. "It's a tough night for a basketball game with what's going on over in the Middle East," said Knight, adding that he received a letter Wednesday from the wife of a former player who is a two-star general serving in the military action. "I think the crowd seemed to feel and almost exude a feeling of tremendous concern rather than just being at a basketball game."

points — early in the second half, Nevada (18-14) used an 18-10 run to pull within four at 48-44 with 10:42 remaining. The run was fueled by four 3-pointers in nine possessions by the Wolfpack. Todd Okeson and Terrance Green each hit two from outside the arc. But back-to-back baskets by Emmett and Kasib Powell pushed Tech's lead back to eight, 52-44, in the next minute. Nevada got no closer than three points at 52-49 with 7:39 remaining and committed turnovers on the next five possessions. Nevada didn't score again until the 3:20 mark when Sean Hall dunked one in for the Wolfpack to make it 63-51. "Their offensive execution

really hurt us at crucial points of the game," said Nevada coach Trent Johnson. "This is the best team we played all year, so the credit goes to them." Powell scored 15 points, and Ronald Ross and Robert Tomaszek added 10 each. The crowd was not large as many Tech students were away on spring break. Before the game started, Knight went to the scorer's table and apparently asked for a moment of silence for the troops fighting in Iraq in military strikes that began shortly before play started. Bush's address to the nation came from an ESPN network feed displayed on all four screens on the overhead scoreboard at halftime. Fans cheered as he announced the

attacks had begun. No one left their seats. "We as a country have had a history of doing things that are basically scheduled to be done," Knight said after the game. "I think that's something we should continue to do. We're too strong, too tough to let anyone interfere with life here." Tech led 31-22 at halftime. Tech started off shooting poorly, failing to score a field goal in about five minutes to trail 13-10. The Red Raiders then turned the tables on the Wolfpack, holding them scoreless for five minutes while scoring 12 to lead 22-13 at the 4:46 mark. Nevada's drought ended 18 seconds later when Okeson hit a 3-pointer.

Okeson scored 13 points to lead the Wolfpack. The last time Tech hosted an NIT game was 1979 when the Red Raiders lost 78-59 in the first round to Knight's Indiana team. The Hoosiers went on to win the tournament for Knight's sole NIT title. Tech will play San Diego State on Friday in Lubbock. San Diego beat UC Santa Barbara 67-62 in overtime Wednesday night. **Texas Tech 66, Nevada 54** (18-14) Snyder 5-12-2-2 12, Hill-Thomas 0-2 1-2 1, Paul 4-6 2-2 10, Okeson 5-11 0-0 13, Petty 4-11 1-2 10, Green 3-9 0-0 8, Browne 0-1 0-0 0, Ochs 0-1 0-0 0, Wilson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 21-54 6-8 54. **TEXAS TECH (19-12)** Emmett 8-16 2-2 18, Powell 5-8 5-7 15, Tomaszek 4-7 2-4 10, Chavis 3-6 2-4 9, Ross 4-6 2-3 10, Doudney 1-6 1-2 4, Marshall 0-0-0-0, Michalec 0-1-0-0. Totals 25-50 14-22 66.

Woods vs. Els won't be only rivalry at Bay Hill Invitational

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Tiger Woods and Ernie Els aren't the only rivalry on display this week in the Bay Hill Invitational. Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus might be the most famous rivalry in golf. It began more than 40 years ago, the most compelling showdown coming in the 1962 U.S. Open when Nicklaus beat Palmer in an 18-hole playoff at Oakmont. Don't expect anything that riveting Thursday.

Florida when Nicklaus told Palmer, 73, that his health was good but his schedule was crammed. Nicklaus wanted to play another tournament, but he had obligations in Ohio, Phoenix, New York and Las Vegas in the coming weeks. It appeared his only option was a Champions Tour event this week in California. "Why not play Bay Hill?" Palmer asked him. It suddenly made sense to Nicklaus, although he believes the tournament host had his own reasons for asking. He thinks Palmer was looking for an excuse to play himself. "He was like a kid in a

candy store," Nicklaus said. "I could tell he wanted to play golf." Palmer has been doing that every year since the Carling Open in 1953. He has played at least one regular PGA Tour event every year since then, still believing his can hitch his pants, swing from the heels and make a birdie. That rarely happens any more at Bay Hill. Palmer has never finished higher than a tie for 24th in 1991 at the tournament he started in 1979. He withdrew last year after an 86 in the first round, and said he was finished. Palmer? Finished? Nicklaus jokingly said

Palmer would find a way to play on tour until he was 93. "God, I hope so," Palmer said, as the room erupted in laughter. "If I'm fortunate enough to get to 80 or whatever, I don't think my enthusiasm for golf and the desire to want to go play will ever diminish." This is only the eighth

appearance at Bay Hill for Nicklaus, the last one coming in 1995. His best showing was in 1982, when he had a one-stroke lead going into the final round, shot 75 and lost to Tom Kite in a three-way playoff. "It's always been a tough golf course for me," Nicklaus said.

Middle School Girls Track
Middle School Girls' Track Meet at Canyon Pampa Results
7th Grade Division
 400 relay: 3. Kalyann Jones, Trisha Moore, Jasmine Moore and Kayla Mendoza.
 800: 6. Krishna Henderson.
 100: 4. Kelli Willson; 5. Amber Brown.
 800 relay: 2. Trisha Moore, Jasmine Moore, Kayla Mendoza and Kalyann Jones.
 200: 4. Kelli Willson.
 600 relay: 4. Trisha Moore, Jasmine Moore, Kayla Mendoza and Kalyann Jones.
 Long jump: 5. Jasmine Moore.
 Discus: 5. Sara Foster.
 Triple jump: 6. Stephanie Polasek.
 Pole Vault: 5. Kambra Jimenez.
8th Grade Division
 110 hurdles: 4. Britteni Rice.
 100: 3. Logan Winkleman.
 400: 6. Kesie Wyatt.
 300 hurdles: 3. Britteni Rice.
 High jump: 1. Logan Winkleman.
 Shot put: 1. Cassi Tice.
 Discus: 2. Cassi Tice.
 Pole vault: 1. Tamara Trevathon; 5. Kali Jimenez.
 Long jump: 3. Nicole Clark; 6. Logan Winkleman.
 — Next Meet: March 21 at Plainview

Girls softball signups continue

PAMPA — Registration for Little League Girls Softball reached 150 yesterday, according to Commissioner Sheri Tice, and will continue today from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Optimist Club building. "We are expecting teams from Lefors and Miami to play, but they have not signed up yet," Tice said. "We will have a final round of registration each week and conduct our drafts so that we will be able to start practice on

March 31. Every girl will be placed on a team. "We have to move our season up this year because Little League has moved all-star competition up," she explained. "We have to finish with our regular season and city tournament by June 14." Little League Softball features three leagues: pitching machine league for girls 7 to 9; a league for girls 10 to 12 and a league for girls 13 to 15. Games are expected to begin the week of April 21.

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SCOREBOARD

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2003 NASCAR Winston Cup Schedule

By The Associated Press
The 2003 NASCAR Winston Cup schedule and standings, with winners in parentheses:

- Feb. 16 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Michael Waltrip)
- Feb. 23 — Subway 400, Rockingham, N.C. (Dale Jarrett)
- March 2 — UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400, Las Vegas. (Matt Kenseth)
- March 9 — Atlanta 500, Hampton, Ga. (Bobby Labonte)
- March 16 — Carolina Dodge Dealers 400, Darlington, S.C. (Ricky Craven)
- March 23 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.
- March 30 — Samsung/RadioShack 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
- April 6 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.
- April 13 — Virginia 500, Martinsville.
- April 27 — Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif.
- May 3 — Pontiac Excitement 400, Richmond, Va.
- May 25 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
- June 1 — MBNA America 400, Dover, Del.
- June 8 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.
- June 15 — Sirius Satellite Radio 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
- June 22 — Dodge/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
- July 5 — Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- July 13 — Tropicana 400, Joliet, Ill.
- July 20 — New England 300, Loudon, N.H.
- July 27 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond.
- Aug. 3 — Brickyard 400, Indianapolis.
- Aug. 10 — Sirius at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
- Aug. 17 — Michigan 400, Brooklyn.
- Aug. 23 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
- Aug. 31 — Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.
- Sept. 6 — Chevrolet Monte Carlo 400, Richmond, Va.
- Sept. 14 — New Hampshire 300, Loudon.
- Sept. 21 — Dover 400, Dover, Del.
- Sept. 28 — EA Sports 500, Talladega, Ala.
- Oct. 5 — Kansas 400, Kansas City.
- Oct. 11 — UAW-GM Quality 500, Concord, N.C.
- Oct. 19 — Old Dominion 500, Martinsville, Va.
- Oct. 26 — Georgia 500, Hampton.
- Nov. 2 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
- Nov. 9 — Pop Secret Microwave Popcorn 400, Rockingham, N.C.
- Nov. 16 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla. **Driver Standings**

1. Matt Kenseth, 760.
2. Tony Stewart, 703.
3. Michael Waltrip, 698.
4. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 634.
5. Ricky Craven, 617.
6. Kurt Busch, 617.
7. Dave Blaney, 603.
8. Jimmie Johnson, 601.
9. Joe Nemechek, 601.
10. Elliott Sadler, 575.
11. Johnny Benson, 575.
12. Ryan Newman, 571.
13. Dale Jarrett, 568.
14. Bobby Labonte, 562.
15. Jeff Gordon, 546.
16. Mark Martin, 542.
17. Ricky Rudd, 535.
18. Kevin Harvick, 533.
19. Steve Park, 528.
20. Rusty Wallace, 524.

BOWLING

Harvester Lanes League Standings Caprock League (Week 26)

Team	Won	Lost
Sears	65	
LERA Plugging Co.	64	
Red's Pro Shop	55	
MAJJ-JC	51 1/2	
Byrum Farms	49	
Harvester Lanes	48	
Schiffman Machine Co.	42 1/2	
Culligan	41	

Association Award

ABC 300 High Game Recognition: Kenny Beery.

Week's Top Scores

High scratch game: Kenny Beery 300; High scratch series: Kenny Beery 727; High handicap game: Kenny Beery 314; High handicap series: Kenny Beery 769.

National Oilwell League

Team	Won	Lost
Misfits	9 1/2	2 1/2
Piddlers	8 1/2	3 1/2
We Won One!	6	6
Drifters	5	7
Regulators	4	8
Sliders	3	9

Week's Top Scores

Men
High scratch game: Jake Woodruff 169; High scratch series: Frank Yearwood 476; High handicap game: Loren Roby 262; High handicap series: Logen Roby 680.

Women

High scratch game: Carrol Yearwood 171; High scratch series: Carrol Yearwood 417; High handicap game: Carrol Yearwood 238; High handicap series: Becky Downey 672.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

NCAA Tournament At A Glance

By The Associated Press

All Times EST

OPENING ROUND

At University of Dayton Arena

Dayton, Ohio

Tuesday, March 18

North Carolina-Asheville 92, Texas Southern 84, OT

EAST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 20

At The Ford Center

Oklahoma City

California (21-8) vs. North Carolina State (18-12), 12:25 p.m.

Oklahoma (24-6) vs. South Carolina State (20-10), 30 minutes after first game

Friday, March 21

At The Fleet Center

Boston

Syracuse (24-5) vs. Manhattan (23-6), 12:15 p.m.

Oklahoma State (21-9) vs. Pennsylvania (22-5), 30 minutes after first game

At St. Pete Times Forum

Tampa, Fla.

Saint Joseph's (23-6) vs. Auburn (20-11), 12:25 p.m.

Wake Forest (24-5) vs. East Tennessee State (20-10), 30 minutes after first game

At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center

Birmingham, Ala.

Louisville (24-6) vs. Austin Peay (23-7), 7:20 p.m.

Mississippi State (21-9) vs. Butler (25-5), 30 minutes after first game

SOUTH REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 20

At Spokane Arena

Spokane, Wash.

Connecticut (21-9) vs. Brigham Young (23-8), 2:40 p.m.

Stanford (23-8) vs. San Diego (18-11), 30 minutes after first game

Friday, March 21

At The Gaylord Entertainment Center

Nashville, Tenn.

Xavier (25-5) vs. Troy State (26-5), 7:25 p.m.

Maryland (19-9) vs. North Carolina-Wilmington (24-6), 30 minutes after first game

At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center

Birmingham, Ala.

Texas (22-6) vs. North Carolina-Asheville (15-16), 12:30 p.m.

LSU (21-10) vs. Purdue (18-10), 30 minutes after first game

At St. Pete Times Forum

Tampa, Fla.

Michigan State (19-12) vs. Colorado (20-11), 7:10 p.m.

Florida (24-7) vs. Sam Houston State (23-6), 30 minutes after first game

MIDWEST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 20

At The RCA Dome

Indianapolis

Marquette (23-5) vs. Holy Cross (26-4), 12:20 p.m.

Missouri (21-10) vs. Southern Illinois (24-6), 30 minutes after first game

At Spokane Arena

Spokane, Wash.

Wisconsin (22-7) vs. Weber State (26-5), 7:25 p.m.

Dayton (24-5) vs. Tulsa (22-9), 30 minutes after first game

Friday, March 21

At The Fleet Center

Boston

Pittsburgh (26-4) vs. Wagner (21-10), 7:10 p.m.

Indiana (20-12) vs. Alabama (17-11), 30 minutes after first game

At The Gaylord Entertainment Center

Nashville, Tenn.

Kentucky (29-3) vs. Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis (20-13), 12:30 p.m.

Oregon (23-9) vs. Utah (24-7), 30 minutes after first game

WEST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 20

At The RCA Dome

Indianapolis

Illinois (24-6) vs. Western Kentucky (24-8), 7:10 p.m.

Notre Dame (22-9) vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (24-7), 30 minutes after first game

At The Jon M. Huntsman Center

Salt Lake City

Cincinnati (17-11) vs. Gonzaga (23-8), 12:40 p.m.

Arizona (25-3) vs. Vermont (21-11), 30 minutes after first game

Creighton (29-4) vs. Central Michigan (24-6), 7:20 p.m.

Duke (24-6) vs. Colorado State (19-13), 30 minutes after first game

At The Ford Center

Oklahoma City

Memphis (23-6) vs. Arizona State (19-11), 7:10 p.m.

Kansas (25-7) vs. Utah State (24-8), 30 minutes after first game

HOCKEY

Central Hockey League

Playoff Glance

By The Associated Press

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FIRST ROUND

(Best-of-5)

Northern Conference

Indianapolis vs. Amarillo

Friday, March 21

Amarillo at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 22

Amarillo at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.

Friday, March 28

Indianapolis at Amarillo, 8:11 p.m.

Saturday, March 29

Indianapolis at Amarillo, 8:11 p.m., if necessary

Tuesday, April 1

Amarillo at Indianapolis, 7 p.m., if necessary

Oklahoma City vs. Memphis

Saturday, March 22

Oklahoma City at Memphis, 8:05 p.m.

Thursday, March 27

Memphis at Oklahoma City, 8:35 p.m.

Friday, March 28

Memphis at Oklahoma City, 8:35 p.m.

Tuesday, April 1

Oklahoma City at Memphis, 8:05 p.m., if necessary

Wednesday, April 2

Memphis at Oklahoma City, 8:35 p.m., if necessary

Southern Conference

Austin vs. New Mexico

Friday, March 21

New Mexico at Austin, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 22

New Mexico at Austin, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, March 28

Austin at New Mexico, 9:05 p.m.

Saturday, March 29

Austin at New Mexico, 9:05 p.m., if necessary

Monday, March 31

New Mexico at Austin, 8:30 p.m., if necessary

Odessa vs. Laredo

Friday, March 21

Laredo at Odessa, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 22

Laredo at Odessa, 8 p.m.

Friday, March 28

Odessa at Laredo, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 29

Odessa at Laredo, 8:30 p.m., if necessary

Tuesday, April 1

Laredo at Odessa, 8 p.m., if necessary

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7)

Northern Conference

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Southern Conference

TBA

PRESIDENT'S CUP FINALS

(Best-of-7)

TBA

PRO BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	40	26	.606	—
New Jersey	41	27	.603	—
Boston	38	30	.559	3
Orlando	35	33	.515	6
Washington	32	35	.478	8 1/2
New York	30	38	.441	11
Miami	21	47	.309	20

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	42	24	.636	—
Indiana	40	28	.588	3
New Orleans	39	30	.565	4 1/2
Milwaukee	33	35	.485	10
Atlanta	27	42	.391	16 1/2
Chicago	24	45	.348	19 1/2
Toronto	21	45	.318	21
Cleveland	12	55	.179	30 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	51	16	.761	—
San Antonio	47	19	.712	3 1/2
Minnesota	44	26	.629	8 1/2
Utah	39	29	.574	12 1/2
Houston	35	32	.522	16
Memphis	25	42	.373	26
Denver	14	54	.206	37 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	47	21	.691	—
Portland	44	24	.647	3
L.A. Lakers	38	28	.576	8
Phoenix	35	32	.522	11 1/2
Golden State	33	35	.485	14
Seattle	31	36	.463	15 1/2
L.A. Clippers	22	46	.324	25

Sports in a time of war

By STEVE WILSTEIN
AP Sports Writer

Games stopped, then started again. As they should.

Americans need sports more than ever right now. We need college teams and cheerleaders, bands and fans. Spring training and opening day. The NBA and NHL counting down to the playoffs.

We need movies and music and anything to make us laugh.

In this season of anxiety and fear, Americans at home and the troops abroad need life here to go on without skipping too many beats.

The games went on that way Wednesday night as bombs and missiles hit Baghdad and President Bush told the nation that the war with Iraq had begun. No one could have been surprised, yet it all seemed surreal, games pausing



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GOP fails to get Senate vote to drill in Alaskan refuge

WASHINGTON (AP) — One senator called it "our best shot," but it was not enough.

Republicans fell two votes short in their best chance yet at opening an Alaska wildlife refuge to oil drilling.

By a 52-48 vote, the Senate on Wednesday stripped from a budget resolution a White House-backed provision that would have set the stage for Congress to lift the longtime ban on the development of millions of barrels of oil that lie beneath the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

While Alaska's senators vowed to fight on, other drilling advocates conceded the vote almost certainly marked the end of the Arctic refuge debate this year and probably next. While the House still may resurrect the issue as part of an energy bill, the Senate was making clear its resolve to protect the refuge, senators on both sides of the issue conceded.

"This was our best shot," said Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., who favors developing the refuge's oil. He indicated he had little stomach for pursuing the issue as part of broad energy bill to be crafted by his Energy and Commerce Committee this summer.

While Domenici said "I will not turn my back" on

the need to develop more oil, he said he plans to pursue a bill "that will expand oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico and other designated energy production sites" and not the off-limits Alaska refuge.

Development of the millions of barrels of oil beneath the 100-mile coastal plain of the Arctic refuge in northeastern Alaska has been at the heart of President Bush's energy plans. While the administration views the oil as key to curtailing America's dependence on imports, environmentalists contend drilling there would jeopardize a pristine area valued for its wildlife while reducing U.S. demand for imports only slightly.

All but five Democrats as well as eight Republicans voted for the amendment offered by Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., to kill the refuge provision.

"A federal budget resolution is not the place to be debating such an issue of compelling national interest," said Sen. Olympia Snow, R-Maine, one of the Republicans who voted with Boxer.

The Bush administration expressed its disappointment.

"It's unfortunate that the Senate missed an opportunity to increase America's energy independence at a critical time," White House

spokeswoman Claire Buchan said.

With one or two senators holding the balance, both sides knew the vote would be close. Only hours before the vote, freshman Sen. Norm Coleman, R-Minn., under intense pressure, signaled he might change his mind and vote in favor of drilling.

In the end, Coleman, who succeeded the late Sen. Paul Wellstone, an ardent drilling foe, sided with the Democrats after it became clear the pro-drilling side was short of victory. He said he did so "with mixed emotions."

Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, who led the pro-drilling forces, vowed not to give up the fight. "If we lose today there will be another vote on another day," he predicted at a news conference shortly before the Senate vote began. Stevens took the defeat personally.

"People who vote against this today are voting against me and I will not forget," declared Stevens, who as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee can often decide whether a senator's pet project will get federal money.

"When one of the most powerful senators says he takes it personally, and he's keeping a list ... well, my heart really started to beat faster," Boxer later remarked in an interview.

Illinois ex-governor's aide, campaign committee found guilty of racketeering

CHICAGO (AP) — Federal prosecutors said there's more to come in the investigation that led to racketeering convictions against former Gov. George Ryan's campaign committee and his longtime top aide.

Scott Fawell, 45, was convicted Wednesday by a federal jury on charges that included racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud and stealing state property.

Fawell and the Citizens for Ryan campaign committee also were found guilty of using state employees working on state time to run Ryan's campaigns for almost a decade. The charges stem from the eight-year period when Ryan was Illinois secretary of state, before he was elected governor in 1998.

"No one is above the law, no one is beyond the law," said U.S. Attorney Patrick J. Fitzgerald, adding it was the first racketeering conviction of a campaign committee.

The eight-week trial threw the underside of Illinois politics into sharp focus, creating a fresh chapter in the state's long history of patronage, payoffs and corruption in government.

Jurors deliberated for seven days before reaching a verdict on the nine-count indictment.

Witnesses said Fawell ordered the shredding of campaign contributor lists to keep them out of the hands of federal investigators and lied to a federal grand jury.

He faces as many as eight years in federal prison. Sentencing is set for June 26.

Prosecutors said a five-year federal probe dubbed Operation Safe Road already has resulted in charges against 59 former state employees and others, and 55 convictions.

Lobbyist Larry Warner is set for trial in September on charges of fixing state contracts and licenses in Ryan's secretary of state's office.

And former state Rep. Roger Stanley, an old friend of Ryan's, is facing charges of making payoffs to land contracts at Chicago's Metra commuter rail service.

The investigation began as an inquiry into large-scale bribery paid in return for Illinois truck drivers' licenses. It was prompted in part by a 1994 tragedy near Milwaukee when a part fell off of a truck and struck an oncoming van, touching off the gas tank and leaving six children in one family dead.

The truck driver later invoked the 5th Amendment when asked how he had obtained his license.

Prosecutors say \$170,000 in payoffs found their way from the drivers' licensing centers — where prosecutors say employees were pressured to sell large numbers of political fundraising tickets — to Ryan's campaign fund.

Ryan, best known nationally as an outspoken critic of capital punishment, has not been charged in the case. He decided not to run for a second term as governor and left office in January.

Ryan said in a statement Wednesday, "Today's verdict saddens me."

Standoff near National Mall ends peacefully

WASHINGTON (AP) — A protesting farmer who snarled traffic in the nation's capital for two days after driving his tractor into a pond near the National Mall faces charges of threatening to use an explosive device.

Dwight Watson of Whitakers, N.C., was being arraigned Thursday in federal court.

Meanwhile, police said representatives from the Department of Agriculture agreed to talk with Watson about his complaints that federal policies are driving tobacco farmers out of business.

No explosives were found, but officers did find a dummy

grenade after Watson gave himself up at about noon Wednesday.

Authorities said they may seek a psychiatric exam of Watson.

"He was very calm and very willing to go along with the program and followed the steps that he had outlined and the negotiator had outlined to a tee," said Teresa Chambers, the Park Police chief.

Details of the surrender were settled during telephone conversations Tuesday and early Wednesday.

Watson had a legal permit to demonstrate with his tractor near the Washington Monument from last Sunday to

this Saturday. But at about noon Monday, he drove his Jeep and a trailer carrying the tractor into the water.

He told authorities he would detonate explosives if anyone tried to forcibly remove him.

Chambers said a lack of sleep may have contributed to his willingness to give up. Police kept him awake with bright lights and noise Tuesday night.

Authorities stood by their decision to close a portion of the National Mall and shut a major commuter route between downtown Washington and its Virginia suburbs, causing rush-hour gridlock.

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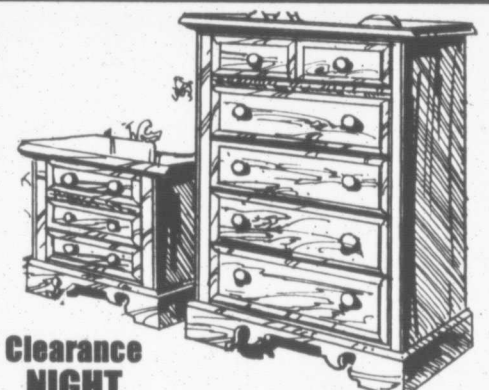
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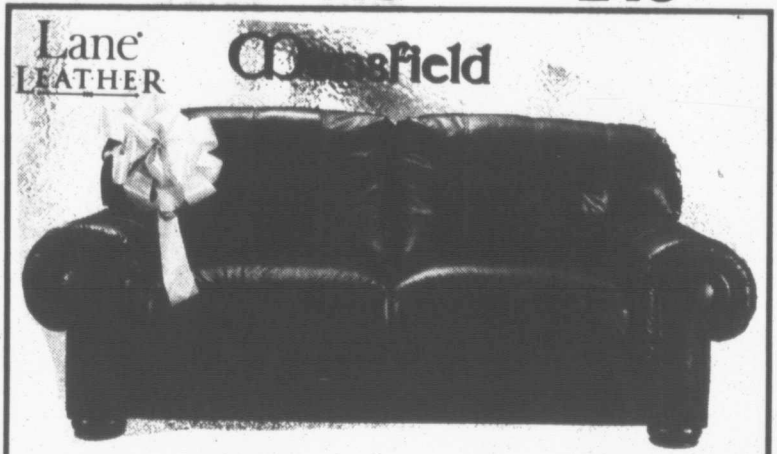
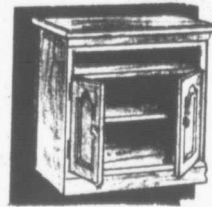
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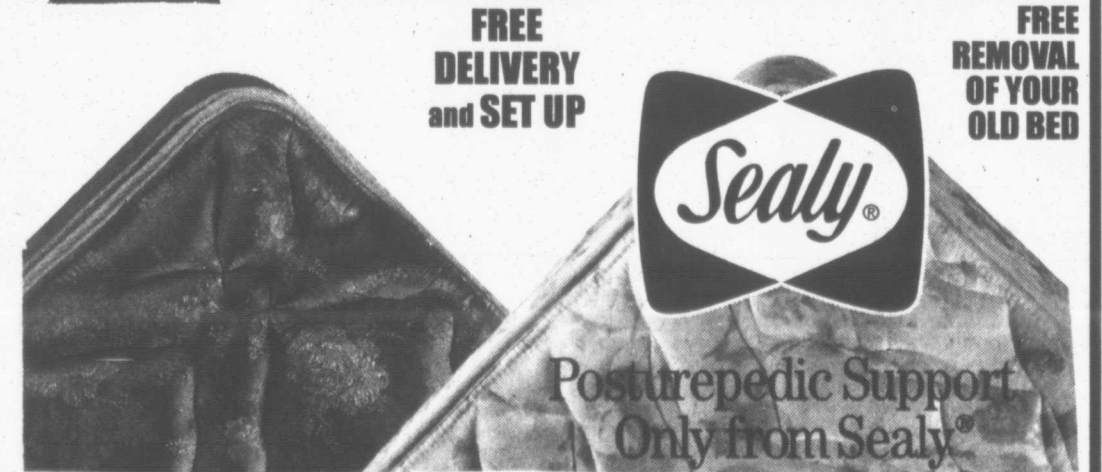
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