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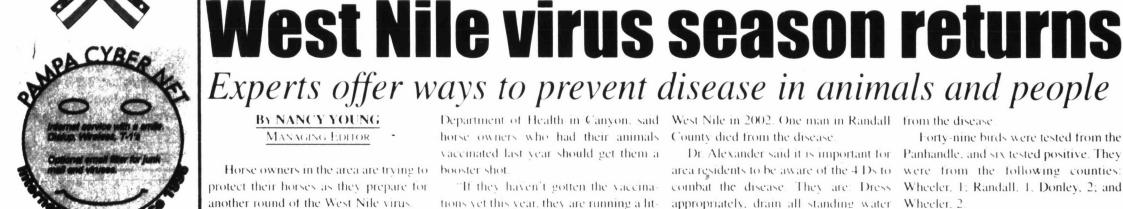
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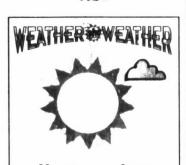
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AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 1-11-17-28-41. Bonus Ball: 40.

Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: None. Number matching five of

five: 1. Prize: \$35,561. Number matching four of five, plus Bonus Ball: 15. Prize: \$2,234.

Number matching four of five: 747. Prize: 892.

Number matching three of five, plus Bonus Ball: 590. Prize: \$103.

Number matching three of five: 27,875. Prize: \$5.

Number matching two of five, plus Bonus Ball: 8,050. Prize: \$5.

Number matching one of five, plus Bonus Ball: 35.827. Prize: \$3.

Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$12 million.

DEATHS

Flora L. Alexander, 84, homemaker.

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vaccinated last year should get them a Horse owners in the area are trying to booster shot.

Harbored in birds, the virus is trans- tle late," he said, "but they need to get it and to avoid getting out at dusk and

reports many area residents are getting of Health, 1,697 horses in Texas were repair to prevent mosquitoes from gettheir horses vaccinated for the disease stricken with the disease in 2002, and ting into homes. so that they will be protected when the 500 horses were reported dying for the mosquito problem becomes acute in the disease.

zoonosis specialist with Texas said 12 people in the region contracted said 12 horses in Gray County died

Department of Health in Canyon, said. West Nile in 2002. One man in Randall from the disease horse owners who had their animals. County died from the disease.

area residents to be aware of the 4 Ds to were from the following counties: "If they haven't gotten the vaccina- combat the disease. They are: Dress Wheeler, 1; Randall, 1, Donley, 2; and tions yet this year, they are running a lit- appropriately, drain all standing water mitted to people and horses by mosqui done immediately to protect their ani- dawn. He added that people who sleep ed in 213 Texas counties. A total of 202 with their windows raised should also serious West Nile cases, including 13 According to the Texas Department be sure that their screens are in good deaths, were reported in humans.

horses in the Texas Panhandle in 2002. Nile from the bite of an infected mos-There is no vaccine for humans and 74 of those horses either died from quito, not from other people, animals or Dr. James Alexander, DVM, a against the disease, and Dr. Alexander, the disease or had to be euthanized. He

Forty-nine birds were tested from the Dr. Alexander said it is important for Panhandle, and six tested positive. They

In 2002. West Nile virus was report-

According to the TDH, mosquitoes get the West Nile virus by biting infect-West Nile was confirmed in 309 ed birds. People and animals get West

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Clean Pampa

By NANCY YOUNG MANAGING EDITOR

area in the next few weeks.

By NANCY YOUNG Managing Editor

Gray County Veterinary Clinic

received a coveted statewide. Worth, City of Frisco, Hidalgo. environmental award in behalf. County and Panhandle of the City of Pampa at a banquet in Austin Tuesday night. The award was sponsored by Environmental Quality

Clean Pampa, Inc. was a "tremendous achievement."

cities and companies in the ardous waste. running for this award," he

said. "It was really an accomplishment.

Finalists for the award were Pampa leaders proudly City of Crockett. City of Fort Environmental Partnership in

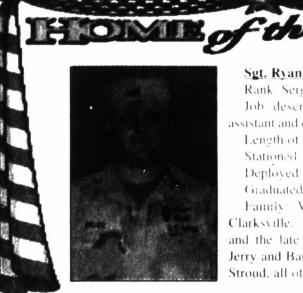
In the awards booklet, the the Texas Commission on TCEQ stated. For a small town: Pampa is doing big Pampa City Manager Mitch things in the Texas Grant said Thursday morning Panhandle." It went on to say that the Texas Environmental that Pampa is the only com-Excellence Award received by munity in the Panhandle gram for the successful man "There were some big agement of household haz

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(Courtesy photo)

Proudly displaying the environmental award received Tuesday night in Austin by Clean Pampa, Inc. were TCEQ Commissioner R.B. Marquez, City Manager Mitch Grant, Paula Goff of Clean Pampa, Mayor Lonny Robbins, TCEQ Commissioner **Kathleen White and TCEQ Commission Chairman** Robert Huston.



Sgt. Ryan Bruce

Rank: Sergeant, 101st Airborne

Job description: production control assistant and environmental control officer Length of service: 4 1/2 years Stationed Ft. Campbell, Kv.

Deployed Iraq

Graduated, Pampa High School 1997 Family: Wife, Tracy Bruton Bruce, Clarksville, Ky.; parents, Lynda Bruce and the late Vance Bruce, grandparents, Jerry and Barbara Bruce, Ed and Carolyn Stroud, all of Pampa.

U.S. will urge U.N. to lift

Associated Press Writer

mats said. But the proposal diplomats said already faces opposition from Speculation on possible posals.

Secretary-General

anonymity.

UNITED NATIONS (AP) asked to appoint a special unite the international commu-The United States will urge coordinator for Iraq to be nity (and) help the people of week to lift sanctions on Iraq oversee U.N. involvement in a government.

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used to benefit the Iraqi peo- Secretary of State Colin ple, the council diplomats Powell, calling for an end to

that erupted before the war, In addition, Annan will be said the new resolution "will the U.N. Security Council this based in Baghdad who would. Iraq to a better life and to build

immediately and phase out the humanitarian relief, recon- But France and Russia oil-for-food aid program over struction, and building a new, oppose the immediate lifting the next four months, diplo-democratic government, the of oil and trade sanctions and have already made rival pro-

coordinators was intense and The United States could The resolution would also included Sergio Vieira de also face opposition from create an international adviso- Mello, the UN. High council members who want ry board - including U.N. Commissioner for Human the world body to be a major player in creating an interim Annan, the World Bank and President Bush, meanwhile, government for Iraq U.S. offithe International Monetary ordered U.S sanctions against cials have insisted that Fund -- to audit how income Traq lifted Wednesday, allow Washington and its allies who from Iraq's oil industry is ing U.S. humanitarian aid and ousted Saddam Hussein must spent and ensure it is being remittances to flow into Iraq remain in the lead on postwar

(See IRAQ, Page 3)

Congressman to probe Tulia drug busts

ings on four of the convictions white

The wrote in a court filing that it. No decision has been made other. Congressional. Black. Retired state District Judge chairman of the House would be a travesty of justice on what kind of inquiry Caucus members, all Ron Chapman ruled during Judiciary Committee will for them to stand because of Republican Rep. James Democrats Reps. Sheila Lee evidentiary hearings in March investigate a drug probe that undercover officer. Jom Sensenbrenner will do, com- Jackson of Houston and that Coleman lacked credibili-

Meanwhile, the judge who have claimed the busts were. Wednesday at a forum on gressional scrutiny. conducted evidentiary hear racially motivated Coleman is. Capitol. Hill, came at the "I view it as a great step in

snared dozens of black resi- Coleman's "blatant perjury" mittee spokesman. Jeff Charles Rangel of New York to as a witness and said he dents of Tulia in 1999, based. Coleman's work led to the Lungren said after the Tulia resident Freddie would recommend that 38 on testimony of a now disc arrest of 46 people. 39 of announcement by Rep. John Brookins Sr., whose son is in convictions be overturned and

request of Convers and two the right direction," he said.

credited police officer, a law- whom were black, in July Convers of Michigan the fourth year of 20-year sen new trials ordered. Special 1999 Civil rights advocates. The probe, announced tence, said he welcomed con-prosecutor Rod Hobson has

said the cases would be dis-

(See TULIA, Page 3)

Golfers... be sure to sign up early for the Pampa Partnership Golf Tournament to be held on May 17th & 18th. Maximum of 72 teams. Two players per team. \$65.00 fee per golfer. \$20.00 cart fee. The tournament will be played May 17th at Hidden Hills Golf Course and on May 18th at Pampa Country Club Golf Course.

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AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period end ing at 7 a.m., today.

Wednesday, May 7

11:58 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center; one patient was transported to BSAW, in Amarillo.

7:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing center; one patient was transported to BSAW.

7:34 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of South Finley; no patient was transported.

Thursday, May 8

2:53 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility; one patient was transported to PRMC

ACCIDENTS

the following accidents

Friday, May 2

6:04 p.m. - Bryan Keith Fisher, 31, 1821 N. Sumner, was the operator of a 1999 Harley Davidson Sportster motorcycle which was eastbound in the 1000 block of 19th Avenue when he swerved to miss a child who had fallen in the street. He lost control of the motorcycle and laid it down on its left side, according

Pampa Police Department today reported to the police report. The report stated he was transported by Rural Metro Ambulance to White Deer to meet LifeStar helicopter.

> the 100 block of West Kingsmill when it was Curt B. Beck, 79, 1919 Charles. No citations were issued.

Mrs. Alexander was born dren; and nine great-grand-

She was a member of the Fund, 513 E. Francis, Pampa,

and daughter-in-law, Wendell www.carmichael-

Wednesday, May 7 5:02 p.m. - A 1997 Chevy Malibu owned by Bina Shaw, 336 Henry, was legally parked in struck by a 2001 Chevrolet Suburban driven by

Lubbock; two sisters, Cora

Adams of Plainview and

Geneva Vermillion of Fort

Scott, Kan.; five grandchil-

children. She was preceded

in death by a son, James E.

Alexander, in 1991; and by

four brothers, Lonnie Davis,

Nelson Davis, H.F. Davis,

memorials be to Central

Baptist Church Building

The family requests

—Sign the on-line regis-

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and Marvin Davis.

ed the following arrests.

John Ellis, 25, 941 S. Nelson, was arrested by deputies for driving while license was

Pampa Police Department today reported the ed for possession of marijuana under two ounces. Possession of marijuana was reported at Pampa Middle School.

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Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2200 block of North Hobart.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 600 block of East Foster. Reported stolen was a small purse with seven prescription drugs, Visa card,

Lone Star card, earnings, cash and antique coins. PPD investigated a report of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon in the 400 block of Powell.

SHERIFF

POLICE

Gray County Sheriff's Office today report-

following arrests and incidents.

in the 2100 block of North Hobart.

block of Randy Matson.

Thursday, May 1

Tuesday, May 6

Wednesday, May 7

arrested for violation of a protective order.

PPD reported an information report was taken

Drug paraphernalia was found in the 200

Manuel G. Orozco, 20, of Amarillo, was

Timmy M. Kellison, 24, of Lefors, was arrest-

Wednesday, May 7

Michael Ralph McGee, 39, of Wheeler, was arrested by Department of Public Safety troopers for driving while intoxicated. He was also arrested on Precinct One Justice of the Peace warrants for failure to yield right of way and displaying an expired drivers license.

City Briefs

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Texas. She married James

Alfred Alexander on Sept.

19, 1940, at Wheeler, Texas.

He preceded her in death on

Oct. 9, 1996. She had been a

Pampa resident since 1950,

moving to Lubbock four

Central Baptist Church of TX 79065.

and Dorothy Alexander of whatlev.com.

Survivors include a son ter

vears ago.

LUBBOCK. Texas Flora L. Alexander, 84, died Tuesday, May 6, 2003, at Lubbock, Texas. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m., Friday, May 9, 2003, at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa, Texas, with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of the Central Baptist

SERVICES **Tomorrow**

Church of Pampa, officiat-

ALEXANDER, Flora

L. — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

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9:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Grand Prairie.

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Authorities say three men found dead hailed from El Paso region

RICHMOND, Ky. (AP) Kentucky State Police identified three Texas men Thursday whose bodies were found wrapped in tarps and dumped into the Kentucky River late last

The men were Juan Manual Moreno, 29, of Fabens, Texas; Cruz Rincon Alarcon, 37, of San Elizario, Texas; Manuel Armendariz, 49, from El Paso, police said.

another location and brought here," Trooper Mike Coyle said. He would not say if authorities knew whether the men were killed in Kentucky, Texas or somewhere in between.

Police offered no informa-

tion on the men's backgrounds and they do not know if they are

The key piece of information that led to identities was a Mexican ID card found on the body of Alarcon, Coyle said. Alarcon's wife contacted Texas police, saying her husband had been missing.

Police believe all three men

are U.S. citizens. Authorities believe the men "We think they were killed in were dumped into the river late on April 27. The next morning, two fishermen found one of the bodies floating, wrapped in a tarp in the river near the Clark-Madison county line. The other two bodies were found later by state troopers.

GRAY CO. Youth Shoot-

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

for sunny and windy with highs to 20 to 30 mph in the afterin the mid 80s and southwest noon. Caution is advised on

Today's forecast is calling winds 10 to 20 mph, increasing

area lakes. Tonight should be mostly clear with lows in the mid 50s and west winds 10 to 20 mph. Friday should be mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy. Windy. Highs in the mid 70s. West winds 10 to 20 mph shifting to the northwest 20 to 30 mph.

STATEWIDE

Hazy, humid conditions continued across the eastern half of Texas, while clearer, cooler weather was reported in West Texas and the Panhandle, the National Weather Service said.

A warm front located just south of the Red River pulled warm, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico all the way to North Texas. A band of low clouds clung to North Texas from Abilene to Wichita Falls to the Louisiana border.

Pre-dawn temperatures ranged from 48 degrees at Dalhart in the northwest Panhandle to a sultry 80 degrees at Brownsville.

The forecast for North Texas called for gusty winds and lows in the 70s on Thursday night. Morning clouds will give way to sunshine and highs in the upper 80s on Friday.



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Suspect helps find missing woman

snake-infested woods after the man suspected in her disappearabout 20 miles from her home.

Richard Derek Hoffpauir, 22, of Orange, Texas, led police to dumped her." the body after returning to Texas arrested Monday after eluding stolen car on Interstate 30 in cen- of the reptiles. tral Arkansas on Saturday, then fled.

from late May 1. Orange dence." County, Texas, Sheriff Mike

20 miles northeast of Vidor.

ance led searchers to her body of the main road," he said. "It someone was asking for help was still another good couple of miles where he took her and

Orange County Sheriff's from Arkansas, where he was Department Cpl. Mike Sanchez deputies, returned to Texas late said snakes in the area were so police for two days. Police say thick that with each step police deputies, prosecutors and FBI Hoffpauir wrecked the woman's officers encountered at least two agents drove him to several

"They were just out there like grass growing wild," he said. "A around for almost 6 hours, giv-Christy Marie Goodman, 21, crime scene was set up and they ing us false locations," said of Vidor, Texas, was last heard began a collection of the evi-

Police said Goodman was wooded area.

BENTON, Ark. (AP) - The White says the woman's body last heard from about 11 p.m. body of a missing Texas woman was found in a remote area of May 1 while talking on the telewas found Thursday morning in southern Newton County, about phone to a friend. During the call, there was a knock on her "It was a couple of miles off door and she told the friend that with a broken-down vehicle.

> The woman was not heard from again.

Hoffpauir, escorted by Wednesday. Orange County locations.

"He took us and rolled us Sanchez. Finally, about 2 a.m., he took them to a secluded

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VIRUS

Symptoms of West Nile virus infection usually are mild with flu-like symptoms including fever, headache, sore throat, body aches and fatigue, occasionally with skin rash and swollen lymph glands. The symptoms of

more severe West Nile infections — encephalitis and meningitis include headache, high fever, stiff neck, disorientation, tremors, conclusions, muscle weak-

ness, coma and paralysis. Incubation period for West Nile is three to 14 days. Mild symptoms may last a few days while symptoms of the more severe illness may last several

TDH says that West Nile can affect just about any animal, but that most do not become sick. Horses appear to be most susceptible to the

He said DEET insect repellent is recommended for humans, but not for children.

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AWARD

"Pampa's HHW program diverts toxic and hazardous wastes from the landfill to ensure the protection of the area's groundwater. The HHW materials are then safely reused, recycled, or disposed of properly. Since its inception, the program has collected more than 1,500 gallons of used oil and more than 35,000 pounds of haz-

ardous paint and other materials," states the TCEQ.

Oil and batteries are accepted along with paint without charge.

The program implemented by Clean Pampa and a group of local citizens hopes its success will serve as a blueprint for other parts of Texas.

"This was really a big award," said Grant. "Over 300 people were at the awards. They also had an environmen-

tal trade fair which two of our employees, Doug Brown and Larry Myers, were able to attend. We are really proud of Clean Pampa."

Attending from Pampa were Paula Goff with Clean Pampa, Inc. Chamber of Commerce Director Clay Rice, Mayor Lonny Robbins, Celanese Environmental Coordinator Christa Perry along with Grant, Brown and Myers.

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TULIA

trials.

to the Texas Court of Criminal special prosecutor and defense attorneys for the 38 cases. The court has been asked to release the 13 people still incarcerated.

The court filing also faults the district attorney and Coleman's supervisors in the

Swisher County Sheriff's Department and the missed if sent back for new Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force. But

Chapman signed the filing the document delivers most criticism to Coleman, calling Appeals, along with state's him "the most devious, nonresponsive witness this court has witnessed in 25 years on the bench in Texas."

The appeals court ordered the hearings for clarification on whether four of the defendants — Jason Jerome Williams, Christopher Eugene Jackson, Freddie Brookins Jr. and Joe Moore - were convicted solely on Coleman's

The court also wanted to know whether the state failed to turn over information from Coleman's background that may have impeached his testimony.

Last week, Coleman was indicted on three felony perjury charges alleging he lied while testifying at the hear-

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IRAQ

Iraq issues.

Russia's Deputy Foreign Minister Yuri Fedotov said Wednesday that rather than lifting sanctions, Moscow only wants a suspension of the embargoes on food and medicine — suggesting that a new confrontation may be in the works.

Russia has already circulated its own draft resolution calling for Annan to run the entire oil-for-food program, including taking charge of Iraq's petroleum sales and future development of its oil fields until an internationally recognized Iraqi government comes to power.

Phasing out the oil-forfood program over four months — as the United States now wants — would end U.N. control over Iraq's oil revenues. The United States wants to use that money to pay for Iraq's reconstruc-

tion. U.N. humanitarian programs that have been operating under the oil-for-food program would be ended as well, though U.N. officials already have started setting up new aid programs in Iraq. The program had been feeding up to 90 percent of Iraq's 24 million people before the war.

Russia and France, which both had lucrative contracts with Saddam Hussein's government under the oil-for-food program, have not been in a hurry to end it.

Many council members

have said they want to avoid another bruising battle and will to try to find a consensus. But emotions are still raw from the bitter dispute over the war, which saw the United States, Britain and Spain backing an invasion of Iraq while France, Russia, that Iraq's nuclear, chemical Germany and China opposed

military action. Powell and Bush both adopted a conciliatory tone Wednesday and stressed the importance of putting aside past differences and uniting to

help Iraqi rebuild. After meeting Annan, Powell referred to Germany, France, Russia and China as "our friends."

In Washington, Bush insisted "the mood that existed before the war has changed and people want to work together for the good of the Iraqi people."

Powell told the Foreign Policy Association's annual dinner Wednesday night that the U.S. resolution "can bring us all together to give the Iraqi people a better life and hope for a much brighter future." He received the association's medal along with Javier Solana, the European Union's security and foreign policy

Under council resolutions, U.N. inspectors must certify and biological weapons programs have been eliminated along with the long-range missiles to deliver them before sanctions could be lift-

The United States has deployed its own inspection teams to search for weapons of mass destruction and don't want U.N. inspectors to return any time soon.

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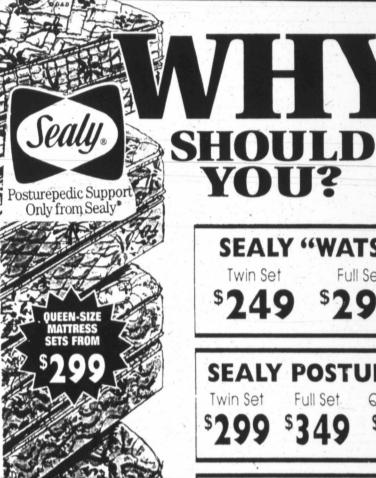
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Jewelry misplaced, not stolen

To the editor:

On my recent visit to your town, I stayed at the Best Western Inn. On my return home I found my jewelry was missing. In order to satisfy the insurance company, a police report had to be filed. Only hours after the report was made, I found my jewelry in the travel case wedged under the safety bar. But the report had to be in the newspapers.

I want to deeply apologize to Mr. Craig Jones and his staff for all the inconvenience and sorry my mistake has put them through. In all of this, Mr. Jones and his staff were most helpful and comforting.

Laura Garrison Denver, Colo.

Today in History

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, May 8, the 128th day of 2003. There are 237 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 8, 1945, President Truman announced in a radio address that World War II had ended in Europe. On this date:

In 1541, Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto reached the

Mississippi River In 1846, the first major battle of the Mexican War was fought at Palo Alto, Texas, resulting in victory for Gen. Zachary Taylor's

In 1884, the 33rd president of the United States, Harry S. Truman, was born near Lamar, Mo.

In 1886, Atlanta pharmacist John Styth Pemberton invented the flavor syrup for Coca-Cola.

In 1958, Vice President Nixon was shoved, stoned, booed and

spat upon by anti-American protesters in Lima, Peru. In 1962, the musical comedy "A Funny Thing Happened on the

Way to the Forum" opened on Broadway. In 1970, construction workers broke up an anti-war protest on

New York's Wall Street.

In 1973, militant American Indians who'd held the South Dakota hamlet of Wounded Knee for ten weeks surrendered.

In 1978, David R. Berkowitz pleaded guilty in a Brooklyn

courtroom to the "Son of Sam" killings that had terrified New In 1987, Gary Hart, dogged by questions about his personal life,

including his relationship with Miami model Donna Rice, withdrew from the race for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Ten years ago: The Muslim-led government of Bosnia-Herzegovina and rebel Bosnian Serbs signed an agreement for a nationwide cease-fire.

Five years ago: Big Tobacco settled with the state of Minnesota for \$6.6 billion as the state's lawsuit was about to go to a jury; Minnesota became the fourth state to settle with the tobacco industry over the costs of treating smoking-related illnesses.

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Easier to raise strawberries

"It would have been a lot easier to raise strawberries." That is something my late husband once said many years ago when our three older children were

The frustrations of dealing with the teen years, and expense, were apparently getting to him at that particular time.

As I worked in my backyard last Saturday, I remembered his comment. He had a lot of sayings, and that was one we often repeated. Dealing with the independence of teens as they explored life, can almost take a parent to the breaking point. Whenever the tensions of raising children would get to me, he would just say "strawberries" and I would remember it.

As he died when the three older ones one was only 12, he missed many "experiences" with them. When I would get frustrated as a single parent in those years, I would remember that statement. It would help to keep me grounded in

I was contemplating planting straw-

Working in the yard helps me to release tensions, and I'm spending a lot of my personal time lately "digging in the dirt." If the tensions keep coming, I should have an absolutely gorgeous yard this year.



woman who was about 60 years old at the time and who had the most beautiful flower beds tell me she owed it all to her husband. Knowing he wasn't helping her at all and that they were going through some difficult times, I'm sure the look on my face conveyed that I was wondering what on earth she was talking about."

She went on to explain, "Every time were in their later teens and the younger I get angry with him, I get out here and dig another spot to plant flowers. When I'm digging, I pretend I'm digging his grave and I feel so much better when I'm finished. I'm not as angry with him afterwards either. It cuts down on

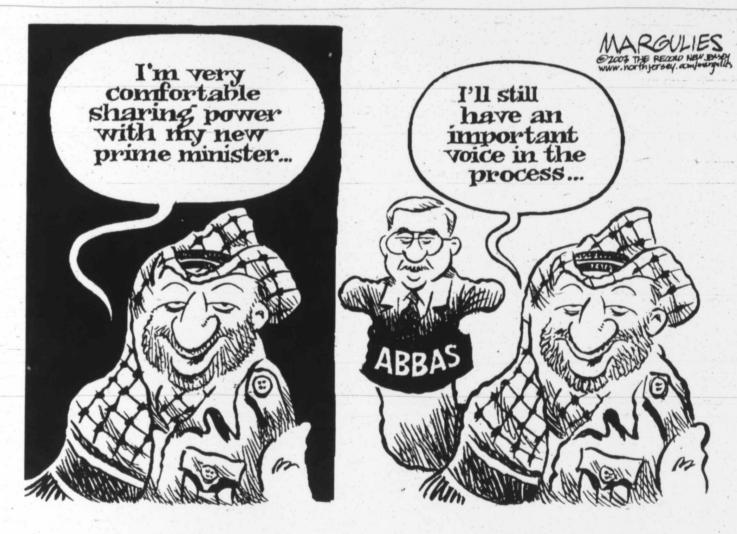
At first, I thought the woman had lost berry plants Saturday as I thought of his her mind! I wondered if she should be out on the streets. As the years passed, I realized she had taught me a valuable lesson about anger and stress management. And that she was much more sane than people who don't convey their feelings. She released those feelings. I haven't seen her in a number of years, About 30 years ago I remember a and I often wonder about her.

Anyway, back to the strawberries. John decided he would raise strawberries that particular year. He spent so much time taking care of them. He would weed and water, and check their progress daily. He was so excited when he saw the first signs of the plants "bearing fruit." The strawberries began to get larger and really looked delicious. His efforts were paying off. Then one day he came in and said his growing strawberries were disappearing. We couldn't figure it out, but it didn't take

Our younger son had acquired a dog a few months prior and we discovered that dog seemed to love the taste of strawberries. Attempts to fence the area from the young animal were futile. Not one to give up, John decided to try something else.

His strawberries were doing so well. So he acquired several rocks and painted them red, trying to make them look like strawberries and placed them in the strawberry patch. That didn't work. The dog only looked at them and went for the real thing. Realizing how important the dog was to our son, he finally gave up. But we did get a few strawberries. We just had to get to them before the

Don't know if it was easier to raise strawberries or kids, but I'm through raising kids. Think I'll try my hand with strawberries this year. I'll soon find out.



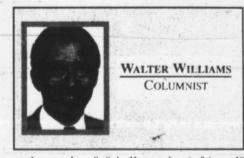
Does legality make morality?

My recent column "From Whence Comes Income" sparked considerable favorable reader response, not to mention thoughtful reader correction of my grammar error in the title: "From Whence" is redundant. Quite a few readers were a bit confused about my assertion that market allocation of goods and services are infinitely more moral than the alternative.

The first principle of a free society is that each person owns himself. You are your private property, and I am mine. Most Americans probably accept that first principle. Those who disagree are obliged to inform the rest of us just who owns us, at least here on earth.

This vision of self-ownership is one of those "self-evident" truths to which the Founders referred to in the Declaration of Independence, that "All Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness." Like John Locke and other philosophers who influenced them, the Founders saw these rights as preceding government, and they said, "That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted."

The Framers of the Constitution recognized that while government was necessary to secure liberty, it was also liberty's greatest threat. Having this deep suspicion of government, they loaded our Constitution with a host of anti-congressional phrases, such as: "Congress shall



make no law," "shall not be infringed" and "shall not be violated."

Once one accepts the principle of selfownership, what's moral and immoral becomes self-evident. Murder is immoral because it violates private property. Rape and theft are also immoral -- they also violate private property.

Here's an important question: Would rape become morally acceptable if Congress passed a law legalizing it? You say: "What's wrong with you, Williams? Rape is immoral plain and simple, no matter what Congress says or does!"

If you take that position, isn't it just as immoral when Congress legalizes the taking of one person's earnings to give to another? Surely if a private person took money from one person and gave it to another, we'd deem it theft and, as such, immoral. Does the same act become moral when Congress takes people's money to give to farmers, airline companies or an impoverished family? No, it's still theft, but with an important difference: It's legal, and participants aren't

Market allocation of goods and services depends upon peaceable, voluntary exchange. Under such exchanges, the essence of our proposition to our fellow man is: If you do something I like, I'll do something you like. When such a deal is struck, both parties are better off in their own estimation.

Billions of these propositions are routinely made and carried out each day. For example, take my trip to the grocery store. My proposition to the grocer is, essentially: "If you make me feel good by giving me that gallon of milk you own, I'll make you feel good by giving you three dollars that I own." If my proposition is accepted, the grocer is better off, since he values the \$3 more than the milk and I'm better off, since I value the milk more than the \$3.

Contrast the morality of market exchange with its alternative. I might go to my grocer with a pistol and propose: give me a gallon of milk or I'll shoot you. Or, I might lobby Congress to take his milk and give it to me. Either way I'm better off but the grocer is worse off.

Lest there's misunderstanding, there are legitimate and moral functions of government, namely that of preventing the initiation of force, fraud and intimidation, and we're all duty-bound to cough up our share of the cost. All other matters in our lives should be left to civil society and its institutions.

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Train collides with tourist bus in Hungary

By KARL PETER KIRK ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SIOFOK, Hungary (AP) — A passenger train collided with a double-decker bus in Hungary on Thursday, slicing the bus in two. At least 30 people were killed, all German tourists on the bus.

Eight people were injured in the 9 a.m. accident at a railroad crossing near the town of Siofok, about 60 miles southwest of Budapest. The town is a popular tourist resort on Lake Balaton.

Prime Minister Peter Medgyessy called the crash "one of the all-time worst traffic accidents" in Hungary. He said he had called German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder to express his condolences.

After severing the bus, the train dragged one of the sections about 160 yards along the tracks, said Tibor Dobson, spokesman for the National Catastrophe Directorate.

Television footage showed mounds of twisted metal

wrapped around the front of the locomotive. Several bodies covered with blankets were still lying at the side of the tracks in the early afternoon.

Police Lt. Col. Laszlo Gelencser told The Associated Press that 27 people died at the scene, while three died after being taken to hospitals. The dead were identified as Germans who had been traveling on the bus.

The train conductor, the bus driver and the tour guide were among the eight people injured, none seriously.

Though the exact cause of the accident was not immediately clear, state railway officials claimed that the crossing signal was on red when the bus started moving across the tracks.

The German Embassy set up a crisis center near the scene of the accident.

From spring to fall, thousands of tourists visit the shores, hills and vineyards of Lake Balaton — central Europe's biggest. The water is rich in minerals — especially calcium and magnesium — reputed to have a therapeutic effects for bathers.

WHO raises SARS death rate estimate

By NAOMI KOPPEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

GENEVA (AP) — The World Health Organization said Thursday it was sharply raising its estimate of the SARS death rate to 14-15 percent. The disease is much worse for people older than 65, with more than half likely to die.

The revisions are based on data from Canada, China, Hong Kong, Singapore and Vietnam, the U.N. agency said. Until now the agency had put the rate at 6-10 percent, although a study earlier this week of patients in Hong Kong said the death rate was around 20 percent.

"The likelihood of dying from SARS in a given area has been shown to depend on the profile of the cases, including the age group most affected and the presence of underlying disease," the health agency said in a statement on its Web site.

The death rate is below 1 percent for people aged 24 or younger, rising to 6 percent for those aged 25 to 44, 15 percent in those aged 45 to 64 and more than 50 percent for those aged over 65.

WHO said studying only those cases where the patient has died or made a full recovery could skew the figures while the outbreak is still continuing because the average time from illness to death is shorter than the average time from illness to recovery.

Its method takes account of the length of time for which patients have survived looking at the risk of dying in the first week of illness, the risk in the second week, and so on. WHO said this gave a death rate of 14 percent in Singapore and 15 percent in Hong Kong.

In Vietnam, where the outbreak is apparently under control, the death rate was 8 percent. "One explanation for this is the large number of total cases that occurred in younger, previously healthy health care workers," WHO said.

There has been debate for weeks about the true death rate for SARS. It has risen from below 5 percent in the weeks that SARS was first spreading around the globe to a level as high as 15 percent in Canada.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention so far puts the death rate at 6.6 percent.

WHO said the figures only cover those who were sick enough to be admitted to hospitals, not those who recovered at home or who had no symptoms, said WHO communicable diseases expert Dr. Nigel Gay.

"It depends on what you define SARS to be. This is 'severe' acute respiratory syndrome. It's not a case fatality rate for coronavirus infection," he said.

WHO said it also has reviewed the incubation period — the time from exposure to the onset of disease — and continues to conclude that the maximum period is 10 days.

"The incubation period can vary from one case to another according to the route by which the person was exposed, the dose of virus received and other factors including immune status," WHO said.

Muppets maker company again in Henson hands

LOS ANGELES (AP) —
The family of Muppet creator
Jim Henson has succeeded in
a last-minute bid to repurchase the company they sold
to a German media firm in
2000.

The Henson family decided only two weeks ago to bid for The Jim Henson Co., which they will buy for a fraction of what Munich-based EM.TV paid for it, according to Brian Henson.

Munich-based EM.TV bought the company and rights to such Muppet characters as Kermit the Frog and Miss Piggy in February 2000 for \$680 million in cash and stock.

But in May 2001, it said it was considering selling the Los Angeles-based firm. It has since sold some Henson assets, including the "Sesame Street" rights, for about \$200 million.

Altrusa party



(Courtesy photo)

Altrusa International, Inc., of Pampa hosted an ice cream social for the residents at Schneider House recently. Above: (Left to right) Elizabeth Lynn (back to camera), Pat Plemons, Desiree Carter, Altrusan Myrna Orr (standing) and Marjorie Light.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Failing Health, Growing Debt **Give Marriage Grim Prognosis**

DEAR ABBY 1 am a 48-year-old coman married almost 28 years The last 12 have not been good In-1984, my husband was diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes, and a drugwas prescribed to control his blood sugar. His doctor urged him to maintain a healthy diet and to exercise. He has not done well with his disease — and continues to smoke

Three months ago, I found out that he stopped taking his medication. This has led him to be a more volatile person than he already broken things. My husband has to have decided not to get the

Our garls are now 21 and 18 The His life could depend on it. older one is being married this sumcan give her the wedding of her, realistically plan her budget. dreams, but my husband promised her \$10,000 Abby, I honestly don't protecting yourself from the because I recently discovered he has financial irresponsibility. ocrued credit card debt to the tune of \$75,000. I cannot begin to tell you how stressed I am over all this

My spouse does not seem to be worried about any of it, and I am at a loss. I'm not working right now. but intend to find a job to help us get out of debt. I know wedding say "in sickness and in health," but what if one partner is not taking care of himself

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attend a men's diabetic support group, but he refuses. I'd like a nice companion with whom to walk through life, but the mere thought makes me feel guilty:

Thanks for letting me unburden myself. These secrets have been with me for too long. WANTS A LIFE IN VIRGINIA

DEAR WANTS A LIFE: As sad was He's smashed furniture and as it is, your husband appears never hit me or our two daughters. help he so desperately needs. but he has thrown things in my You should tell his doctor about direction. When he flies into a rage. his temper and that he has stopped taking his medication.

Next, tell your daughter the mer, and we are busy planning the financial facts of life about her wedding Because of our current wedding plans. She needs to financial situation, I don't think we know the truth now so she can

Then talk to a lawyer about show where it's going to come from consequences of your husband's

> I see nothing wrong with going to your mother's to regroup and to get some T.L.C. while you plan how you're going to spend the rest of your life. Counseling will help. You

DEAR ABBY: I am only-11, but I'm having boy trouble I like this guy whose name is "Rusty" He is in would be wise for me to move out of the fifth grade with me. He asked state and live with my mother, and me to meet him at the movie. I said let my husband try to straighten out his life yes, but my parents said no, and I didn't show. Now he hates me.

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BASEBALL

PAMPA KGRO Radio (1230 AM) will broadcast the Area round playoff series between Pampa and El Paso Ysleta.

The opener is set for 4:30 p.m. Friday at Zachery Field in Midland. The second game will be played at noon Saturday. Game 3 if necessary will follow 30 minutes following Game 2.

BASKETBALL

WASHINGTON (AP)

- The Washington Wizards abruptly dumped Michael Jordan, ending a relationship that produced much fanfare but little success over 3 1/2 seasons.

Disappointed with the team's poor record and embarrassed by infighting on and off the court, owner Abe Pollin told Jordan about his decision in a 30-minute meeting at the team's arena.

Jordan was the Wizards' president before coming out of retirement to play for them the past two years. He retired for good last month and expected to return to the team's front office.

Now he's expected to explore options with other teams, with the new expansion franchise in Charlotte one of the leading alternatives.

FOOTBALL

(AP) — Mike Shula was excused from the Miami Dolphins' practice Thursday, amid reports he will become the new head coach at Alabama.

The Birmingham News, ESPN Radio and the Miami Herald are reporting that Alabama has settled on the former Crimson Tide quarterback and current Dolphins assistant as its new head coach and that an announcement could come as early as Thursday.

Calls to Shula's home went unanswered Thursday morning, and athletic director Mal Moore did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

Shula, the son of former NFL coach Don Shula, was excused from Thursday's practice "for personal and private reasons," Dolphins spokesman Harvey Greene said. Alabama spokesman Larry White declined comment on the reports.

Alabama fired Mike Price on Saturday after the first-year coach, already warned about his behavior, spent hundreds of dollars at a Pensacola, Fla., topless bar. A woman reportedly ordered about \$1,000 in food from room service sent to his hotel room the following morning. An attorney for Price told the Birmingham newspaper that he's considering

appealing the termination. Alabama players left a meeting with university president Robert Witt and athletic director Mal Moore on Wednesday confident that they would have a new coach by the weekend and that he'd have worn the crimson and white jersey.

Rodriguez sparks Rangers past Blue Jays

Alex Rodriguez hit the tiebreaking home run, and then made the defensive plays to keep the Texas Rangers ahead.

Rodriguez led off the sixth with his 11th homer. The shortstop followed with three diving plays the next inning and Texas held on for a 5-4 win over Toronto on Wednesday night, stopping the Blue Jays' fivegame winning streak.

"Alex's defense was one of the big differences of the game. He made two or three plays not many people make," Rangers manager Buck Showalter said. Texas went ahead 5-3 in the

sixth when Rodriguez had a leadoff homer, and rookie Mark Teixeira hit an RBI double after Ruben Sierra beat out a two-out infield single.

Then Rodriguez, who won his first Gold Glove last season, showed some more impressive glovework.

He had already ended the fourth with a diving stop and turned a difficult double play in the sixth. Their shortstop took three

or four hits away from us,"

Orlando Hudson led off the seventh with a double before

Chris Woodward hit a sharp defense than what I do offengrounder into the gap. Rodriguez made a diving stab. to his right, holding Hudson at second as Woodward reached.

Shannon Stewart then hit another grounder toward the hole, and Rodriguez dove again, making the play and throwing to third for the force-

went into the hole for yet another ball, but Vernon Wells' hit deflected off A-Rod's out-Toronto manager Carlos Tosca, stretched glove. A run scored on that play, but that was all the Blue Jays managed.

sively," said Rodriguez, who has just one error in 155 chances this season. "There were a lot of tricky plays. It was big to get that one forceout and save the run."

Rafael Palmeiro of the Rangers remained two short of 500 home runs after going 0for-4 with three flyouts and a After a strikeout, Rodriguez strikeout, but Carlos Delgado and, Juan Gonzalez, each hit their 12th homers, tying for the major league lead.

Delgado's solo homer in the first was his third in two nights against Texas. That gave the "I'm more proud of my Blue Jays a 3-0 lead and

increased his major leagueleading RBIs total to 37.

Gonzalez, who was 3-for-4, got even with Delgado in the home-run race and tied the game at 3-3 when he homered leading off the fourth. He has six homers in five games against Toronto this season.

After Rodriguez's homer, Tanyon Sturtze (3-3) got two quick outs before Sierra's hustling hit and Teixeira's double. Sturtze gave up five runs and eight hits over 5 2-3 innings.

"I made some bad pitches and they hit them hard," Sturtze said.

Casey Owens had lowest Junior College All-Star Team earned run average on team.

Owens named to All-LSC team

KINGSVILLE — Texas A&M-Kingsville pitcher Casey Owens, a junior from Pampa, has been Abilene Christian and outfielder named to the All-Lone Star Baseball Conference South Division second-team.

Owens had a team-leading earned run average of 3.30 and was eighth in the Lone Star Conference in that category.

He had a 4-5 record while striking out 61 and walking 36 in 79 innings pitched.

Owens was two-time all-district. named to the Texas-New Mexico while playing at Frank Phillips Jerry Owens of Pampa.

College in Borger.

Third baseman Brad Massey of Travis Denson of West Texas A&M were named Co-Players of the Year in the Lone Star South Division.

Coach of the Year was Trey Felan of Tarleton State.

Pitcher of the Year was Joe Robison of Tarleton State and Freshman of the Year was Brandon McGuire, also of Tarleton State.

A&M-Kingsville finished secplayer for the Harvesters and was ond in the LSC South standings. this season.

Owens is the son of Gerrel and

Pampa Kids Club needs players

PAMPA - Pampa Kids Club is looking for a few more baseball players, especially in the older age groups, second grade and

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The season starts next

around for Astros ffense is starting to come

HOUSTON (AP) Throughout the Houston Astros' early struggles, Lance Berkman was confident the offense would come around.

"You can't look at this lineup and say we are a below-.500 team. There's too much talent here. We knew it was just a matter of time before we broke out," Berkman said after Houston beat Pittsburgh 13-4 on Wednesday night for its sixth straight win.

Jeff-Kent had four hits and five RBIs, and Geoff Blum singled home the go-ahead run during a four-run seventh.

Houston, which overcame a five-run deficit to win 10-9 Tuesday night, trailed 2-0 after three innings.

Berkman drove in four runs for the Astros, who set a season high for runs for the second straight night and moved over .500 for the first time since April 23:

"Now we've got ouroffense going and we know in any given inning we can put up five or six runs," Berkmansaid.

Kent went 4-for-5 and raised his average to .328 with a two-run homer in the sixth, a run-scoring single in the seventh and a two-run double in the eighth.

"Hitting is contagious," Kent said. "I think this game is based on rhythms. The pitching gets in a rhythm, and the hitting and defense does. Good things are happening for us right now.'

Houston's Nos. 2-5 hitters Morgan Ensberg/Blum, Jeff Bagwell, Kent and Berkman — combined to go 10-for-16 with 13 RBIs.

"It's infectious," Blum said. "When you come back to win a couple of games like this, you start to ease off that panic button a little bit and get a little more confidence. Things are going good right now."

But not for the Pirates, who have lost five straight.

"It's a combination of us not playing well and them playing well," Brian Giles said. "They are hot right now and everything is going there way. Things like that happen."

Salomon Pittsburgh's Torres made his third start since replacing injured Josh Fogg in the rotation April 26 and gave up four runs and five hits in 5 1-3 innings.

Pittsburgh stranded 10 runners, including eight in the first four innings.

"He started off good," manager Lloyd McClendon said. "Then he started elevating the ball. You look up after five innings and you've got 10 guys left on base. We had the bases loaded twice with one out. We had opportunities to break the game open with a few key hits."

Blum's pinch-hit single put

Houston ahead 5-4 in the fourrun seventh. Bagwell and Kent followed with run-scoring singles off Julian Tavarez (0-2), and Berkman hit an RBI groundout against Dennys

Blum added a two-run single in the eighth off Reyes, and Kent greeted Joe Beimel with his double. Berkman followed with a sacrifice fly.

Octavio Dotel (2-1) pitched 1 2-3 perfect innings, striking out two.

Astros starter Scott Linebrink allowed two runs and seven hits in five innings.

Aramis Ramirez's two-run single put Pittsburgh ahead in the third.

Kent's fifth homer gave Houston a 4-2 lead in the sixth, but Randall Simon's bases-loaded two-run double off Brad Lidge tied the score again in the seventh.

Outstanding female athlete



(Pampa News photo by Tess Kingcade)

Senior Teryn Stowers is congratulated by Athletic Director Dennis Cavalier after being name Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year. Stowers, who played volleyball and ran track, was honored Wednesday during the annual Pampa High Awards Assembly in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Mays, Kings meet for Game 2 tonight

Van Exel wants the Dallas Mavericks to take a new approach toward Sacramento Kings.

Forget about them.

Van Exel thinks his teammates are paying too much attention to the Kings and not focusing enough on themselves. Starting in Game 2 of the Western Conference semifinal tonight, Van Exel wants the Mays to concentrate strictly on playing their best and having the confidence that it'll be good enough to win.

"It's about believing and not having any type of doubts," he said. "Sacramento

DALLAS (AP) - Nick is definitely a good team, but their way. when it comes down to it, you've got to have that attithe tude of '(forget) them."

> The Kings certainly have that singular focus, especially after Game 1. .

Sacramento spent the five days before the opener finetuning its game. The starters practiced against the reserves - and, as Vlade Divac joked Wednesday, that's better than working out against some other NBA teams.

By the time the Kings took the court in Dallas, they didn't care what the Mavericks tried. They were going to do things

And within six minutes they were well on their way to winning for the eighth time in 10 meetings, starting with a five-game series win in the second round of last year's playoffs.

"Our guys were really focused, really confident," coach Rick Adelman said. "You don't worry about the other team. Once you start worrying about what they are going to do, you're in trouble.

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Lakers are down 2-0 to San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -Shaquille O'Neal and the Los spot," Angeles Lakers are going home in an unfamiliar position — thoroughly embar- 2. "But this team can bounce rassed and down 2-0 to the back. We now have to take San Antonio Spurs.

"We're in a dangerous O'Neal Wednesday night after the Lakers' 114-95 loss in Game care of business in Los

The three-time defending champions hadn't lost the first two games in any of their 13 postseason series since San Antonio swept them in

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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

Your personal life takes a greater priori- Where your friends are. ty. Though you might not be sure exactly CANCER (June 21-July 22) you're willing to reveal more of yourself. treat. If you are single, a relationship will mark LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) home. LEO provides security.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Tonight: Step out. Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22); 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

a difference with some of your friends. Speak your mind with a loved one or associate who could be a bit overly serious or pushy. You find ways to get LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) around problems. Use your imagination, into the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

might have difficulty receiving your message. Your intuition helps you with a family member. Don't hold so much back right now. Your wallet could feel pinched by what goes on within a relationship. Tonight: Happy at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) * * * * You might be unduly serious. Express a little trust. Go that extra step and make what you want happen. You might be far more persuasive than you

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, May 9, realize. Clear your desk and make calls. end. Others naturally respond. Tonight: SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

hold your feelings back. Through pro- ally be slowing yourself up. Your sense make all the difference in what happens cessing them, you will make positive of humor takes you down a new path. in a pertinent relationship. Ask for more changes and find that others are more Have confidence. When you make a of what you want. Tonight: Let happiness responsive to you. If attached, the quali- decision, others will respond. You leave filter in ty of your relationship could change if an excellent impression. Tonight: Your CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

your life this year. This person could be **** You're a bundle of energy some ne you really care about. quite special, if you choose to be open and enthusiasm. Allow your imagination Revitalize your thinking. You come from and share. Your security proves to be pri- to take the next step. You could be won- a fundamentally healthy point of view. mary. Many of you will be buying a new dering what will work with a child or. An associate provides key information. Your fiery and impulsive nature pays off. sweet nothings in your ear.

* * * * Reach out to others and make will be able to make a difference if you up with? You can help a pal through a Remain more playful and upbeat. Tonight: Let others make suggestions: Tonight: Build a stronger bond.

* * * * Meetings and group happen- what is going on with a child or loved and others will respond. Tonight: Romp ings create more of what you want. A one. Investigate a financial plum that partner who has been remote pulls in a drops in your path. You just might want lot closer. You find yourself delighted by to keep this one. Others have many opin-* * You mean well, though others news that heads in your direction. Be ions to share. Listen, but know that this is imaginative about a request. You'll get your call. Tonight: Pace yourself. better results. Tonight: Where your friends are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Stand up and be counted. You Bergen (1946), hockey player Steve might not feel as comfortable as you Yzerman (1965) would like with a co-worker. Think through a decision that involves work and the quality of your life. Deal with a Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at close friend or partner later in the day. http://www.jacquelinebigar.com.

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* * * * Deal with others more directly. You might change your mind about loved who is growing and changing a lot. Tonight: Allow someone to whisper

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) * * * * Let others come forward. You * * Slow down and think. How you might wonder exactly what is going on perceive a situation could change a lot with a friend. Why not make a friendly because of your own assessment. You inquiry to see what someone else comes do what a partner or associate suggests, problem. Express your willingness. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

* * * * You could be overwhelmed by

Singer Billy Joel (1949), actress Candice

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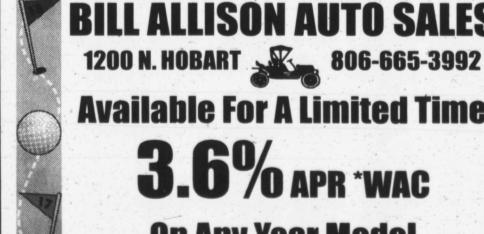
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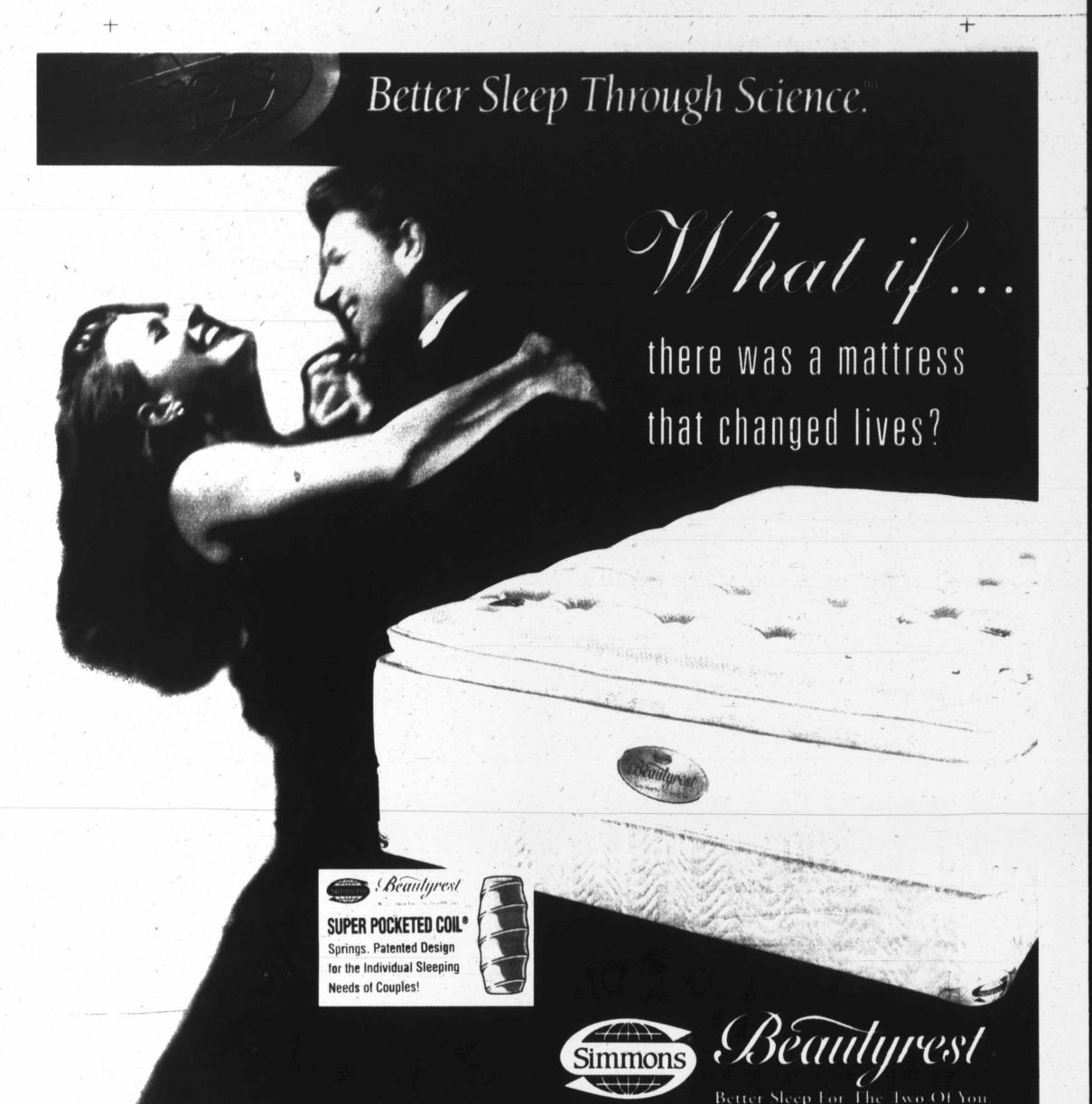
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