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Perry unveils office to lure jobs to state

ARLINGTON (AP) — Saying Texas must lead the nation's economic recovery, Gov. Rick Perry on Wednesday unveiled an office dedicated to luring jobs to the state.

The State Regional Economic Development Office in Arlington and in several other cities will help local governments persuade businesses to relocate or expand in their regions. Perry announced plans for the offices last month when he introduced a \$5 million marketing campaign to promote the state's business climate, education system and work force.

"The state of Texas is actively engaged in economic development. Twenty years ago that was not the case. Even 10 years ago you would've been hard pressed to really find anything other than some lip service to economic development in the state," Perry said at a news conference. "Today the state is an active partner."

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GLO authorities to lease land for wind farms

By **NATALIE GOTT**
 ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

AUSTIN (AP) — Officials at the state General Land Office are hoping winds from the Gulf Coast could soon supply a surge to light living rooms, run refrigerators and power personal computers in Texas.

Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson is scheduled to announce today that his office soon will accept bids from companies that want to lease state lands to build and operate windmills to generate power. The lands are scattered throughout the state, including some in the Gulf of Mexico.

Through the General Land Office, Texas leases land it owns for oil drilling. The state then makes royalties, which are deposited into a school trust fund called the Permanent School Fund. The land office wants to apply that same program to leases for developing wind power.

"In five years, I think we are going to be doing a lot of wind business. But we can't wait for five years to start. We've got to start now," Patterson said.

Wind power is not a new concept in Texas. Giant wind turbines already tower over parts of West Texas. In 2001, more new wind generation was installed in Texas alone than had previously been installed in the entire country in a single year, according to the American Wind Energy Association.

But Texas has never opened its land on a large-scale basis for leases for wind-power production. And, nowhere in the United States have turbines been erected offshore.

A wind farm has been proposed for Nantucket Sound in Massachusetts, but the effort has come under scrutiny from those who say the turbines would wreck the seascape and an important ecosystem.

Tom "Smitty" Smith, direc-

tor of the Texas chapter of Public Citizen, which monitors environmental issues, acknowledges that some people may claim that windmills in the Gulf of Mexico would be an eyesore. But he says Texas, which owns the right to land 10.3 miles offshore, already uses the gulf for energy extraction.

"Unlike Martha's Vineyard, we as Texans have already made the decision to put oil rigs in our bay," Smith said.

He said the decision on such a project becomes a choice about whether Texans want the pollution from power plants that leaves cities in a haze or whether they are willing to put wind turbines in the ocean.

"If I had to make that call, I would put wind turbines in the ocean," Smith said.

That's Patterson's goal. "Within five years, we hope to be generating electricity and royalties for the Permanent School Fund from wind power being produced in the Gulf of Mexico," Patterson said.

The question is how well the program — both for onshore and offshore land leases — will go over with developers. Land office officials admit they do not know the answer.

They have not predicted how much money they believe the program could generate nor do they know if companies will be interested in developing in the Gulf.

"You always kind of wonder about going to the sock hop and nobody asks you to dance," Patterson said. "We don't know."

Mike Sloan, director of the Texas Wind Coalition, said the program shows the state is interested in wind power development. But like the others, he could not predict how the industry would respond to the program and noted there is not a lot of experience with offshore development.

Attorney defends TSU decision to halt probe into missing funds

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas Southern University administrators had the right to halt an investigation into the disappearance of campus funds because the suspected crime involved TSU property, the university's top lawyer says.

Lynn Rodriguez, TSU general counsel, explained Wednesday the university's position on state law during the trial of a whistle-blower lawsuit filed by the Houston school's former police chief.

"Are you aware that the district attorney's office violently disagrees?" Rodriguez was asked by attorney Rusty Hardin, who represents former Chief Cordell Lindsey.

She acknowledged that she was unaware of any case law supporting her interpretation.

Harris County District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal differed with Rodriguez's view.

"When public funds are at stake or in use, I don't think the administration has the right to determine whether or not they are going to pursue a prosecution," he told the Houston Chronicle in Thursday's editions.

Shannon Edmonds, staff attorney for the Texas District and County Attorneys Association, said he was unaware of any law allowing a property owner to halt a criminal investigation.



(Pampa News photos by Marilyn Powers) Wal-Mart's newly acquired land is located in the area between Pampa Mall and 30th Street. Shown is where 30th street ends, foreground, and the north end of the mall in the distance. The inset shows the same land as seen from the north end of Pampa Mall, with Pampa Regional Medical Center and various medical offices in the distance.



Wal-Mart petitions for zoning change

By **MARILYN POWERS**
 STAFF WRITER

Wal-Mart Stores Texas, a limited partnership, has purchased a section of land in north Pampa from SHG Properties.

The land, 35.063 acres, is north of Pampa Mall and south of 30th Street. The general warranty deed, on file at the Gray County Clerk's office, shows the sale is "executed to be effective as of Sept. 29, 2003."

The land is in Section 100, Block 3, I&G.N.R.R. Co. Survey, including all of Lot 1, Westgate Addition Unit 1 plus a portion of an unplatted 167.037-acre tract.

Wal-Mart representatives submitted a request for a zoning change for the property at the city's Planning and Zoning Commission meeting held Tuesday, Oct. 21. The land is currently zoned agricultural, and Wal-Mart has requested the zoning be changed to commercial.

"They are planning to build a 155,000-square-foot supercenter," said Danny Winborne, city building inspector. Wal-Mart representatives have submitted a site plan for review by the commission.

Wal-Mart's real estate department in Bentonville, Ark., did not specify what the retailer planned for the site.

"We are in the process of deciding whether to build a supercenter there to replace the current store. We don't have all the entitlements yet. We're not prepared right now to make a definite statement about what we're going to do," said Tim Scott of the real estate department.

The newly purchased land is listed in county appraisal district records as having belonged to SHG Properties. The general warranty deed recorded in the county clerk's office shows that the land was sold by Hays Gardner Group Limited Partnership (LP), LCH Family LP, and Dianna Sanders. The deed was signed by Jim Gardner, president of Hays Gardner Group, LP; Carolyn Stout, vice-president of LCH Family, LP; and Dianna Sanders. The signatures were notarized Sept. 24.

Two permitted exceptions involved in the sale are an easement and right of way dated Aug. 18, 1965, to Southwestern Public Service Company, and a mineral reservation in warranty deed.

No building or other types of permits have been issued for the property, Winborne said.

Before the zoning change can be completed, the Planning and Zoning Commission must hold two public hearings, at

which citizens may express their opinions on the proposed supercenter.

The first public hearing will be at 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10 in the city commission chambers on the third floor of City Hall. The second public hearing will be held in conjunction with the city commission meeting scheduled for Nov. 25.

After the public hearings, the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance, changing the Wal-Mart land from agricultural to commercial, must be read on two different occasions at city commission meetings. The two readings are tentatively scheduled for Dec. 9 and 16. If the proposed zoning change is passed by city commissioners after both readings, the new zoning will take effect.

"If we can get all the subdivision requirements, preliminary plat and final plat approved and the zoning changed, they could start building sometime in February," Winborne said.

"They gave no indication of what will happen to the current store," he said of the Wal-Mart Discount Store at 2225 N. Hobart. "The representatives said that if Wal-Mart owns the real estate at the current store rather than leasing it, they usually try to use it for some purpose," Winborne said.

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FORD, Audrey — Memorial mass, 11 a.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.

LOIS SUE 'CARR' BRANCH 1915-2003

Lois Sue "Carr" Branch, 88, of Lubbock, died Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2003, at Lubbock. Services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with Glen Walton, minister of Bell Avenue Church of Christ in Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Branch was born May 22, 1915, in Archer County. She married Houston Ray Branch on April 6, 1939, at Megargel; he died July 13, 2001.

A Pampa resident from 1960 until moving to Lubbock in 2000, she taught school at Breckenridge, Megargel, Electra, Burk Burnett, Albany and Pampa.

She was a member of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ in Pampa.

Mrs. Branch was preceded in death by a son,

Douglas Branch in 1984.

Survivors include two sons, Melvin Joe Branch of Lubbock and Glenn Branch of Amarillo; three sisters, Dorcille Allen of Wichita Falls, Glendora Hill of Fullerton, Calif., and Pat Hardegree of Yellville, Ark.; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to The Children's Home of Lubbock, P.O. Box 2824, Lubbock, TX 79408.

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



CECIL EUGENE DANIELS 1951-2003

Cecil Eugene Daniels, 52, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2003, in Colorado. Services will be at 2 p.m., Friday, in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Pastor Paul Nachtigall, of Cornerstone Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Daniels was born June 1, 1951, at Dumas, to Cecil and Mary Williams Daniels. He married Dianne O'Day on March 9, 1974. He worked for North Plains Electric for 19 years, retiring in 2000.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving during the Vietnam War, was a member of American Rifle Association, was a lifetime member of Veterans of Foreign War, and was president of Vietnam Veteran's Motorcycle Club's local chapter.

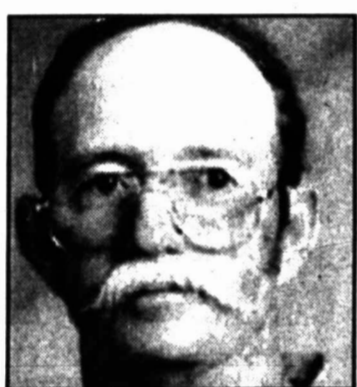
He was preceded in death by his parents, two

brothers and a sister.

Survivors include his wife, Dianne, of the home; a son, Leon Jacobi of Amarillo; three daughters, Tammy Morgan and Crystal Lewis, both of Pampa, and Sabrina Smith of Amarillo; two brothers, Douglas Daniels of Dumas and Thomas Daniels of Shattuck, Okla.; a sister, Cecilia Pitts of Shattuck; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 401 N. Rider.

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GENEVA A. BUTLER 1918-2003

Geneva A. Butler, 85, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2003, at Claude. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Butler was born Jan. 27, 1918, at White City in Wilbarger County. She had been a Pampa resident for about a year, moving from Chillicothe.

She married the Rev. Oland Butler on Dec. 21, 1936, at Medicine Mount; he died in 1992. During their marriage, she served as a minister's wife of Northwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Oland M. Butler, Jr., and a grandson, Randall Scott Butler.

Survivors include two sons, Stanley Butler of Pampa and Wayne Butler of Oark, Ark.; six brothers, Cecil Box, Owen Box, Wayne Box, Boyd Box, Keith Box and Gordon Box; seven grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to St. Paul United Methodist Church, 511 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX 79065.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Tuesday, Oct. 21

Violation of a protective order was reported in the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of Starkweather. Two tires were slashed. Estimated damage was \$250.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of East Gordon. The back window was broken out of a vehicle. Estimated damage was \$500.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester. A vehicle was keyed. Estimated damage was unknown.

Wednesday, Oct. 22

Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported at Varnon Drive and Neel Road. Jessica Key De La Torre, 18, 1045 Huff, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and a capias pro fine for criminal mischief.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1600 block of North Russell. Two Game Boys, five games, diamond earrings, a wedding ring and two portable compact disc play-

ers were taken. A door was broken to gain entry. Estimated loss was \$1,800.

Aggravated robbery was reported in the 1100 block of Garland. Taken were two necklaces, a ring, a watch, and a wallet and contents. Estimated loss was \$1,755. No known injuries were reported.

A lost bicycle was reported in the 800 block of North Christy. Estimated loss was \$120.

Class disruption was reported at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

Possession of marijuana in a drug free zone was reported by Pampa Middle School, 2401 N. Charles.

Brent Crossman, 45, 736 N. Banks, was arrested for violation of a protective order and criminal mischief.

Thursday, Oct. 23

Monty Paul Givens, 49, of Whitney, was arrested in the 900 block of East Tyng for possession of marijuana under 2 ounces, no valid driver's license, failure to change address on driver's license, and failure to register a secondhand vehicle within 20 days.

AMBULANCE

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

Wednesday, Oct. 22

9:52 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient to Baptist-St. Anthony's West, Amarillo.

1:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Hazel and transported a patient to PRMC.

7:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of Mary Ellen and transported a patient to PRMC.

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SHERIFF
Gray County Sheriff's Department today reported the following arrests.

Wednesday, Oct. 22
Keisha LaDon Ross, 32, Los Angeles, Calif., was arrested by

Texas Department of Public Safety for possession of marijuana over 4 ounces and under 5 pounds.

James Clyde Benson Jr., 34, Los Angeles, Calif., was arrested by DPS for possession of marijuana

over 4 ounces and under 5 pounds, and assault on a public servant.
Billy Dean Hutchison, 25, Amarillo, was arrested for theft by check.

WEATHER FOCUS

The forecast today is calling

for sunny skies, highs in the lower 90s and southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Night should fall

on mostly clear skies, lows in the upper 50s and southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

STATEWIDE

By The Associated Press
Texans will feel a pronounced change in the weather in the next few days, as a cold front puts an end to summertime temperatures.

Highs today will be around 90 degrees over the state, but will dip to the 60s and 70s over the weekend as the front moves south.

Except for West Texas, the rest of the state will see a good chance of some rain ahead of and along the front. Storms may contain strong winds and hail.

The Panhandle and South Plains may record the first freez-

ing temperatures of the season Saturday night.

The West Texas forecast calls for highs today in the low to mid 90s in the Permian Basin, upper 80s to low 90s in the north, and upper 80s in the far west and south. Temperatures will cool during the day Friday. On Saturday, highs will be in the mid to upper 50s in the Panhandle, mid 50s to mid 60s in the South Plains, low to mid 70s in the Permian Basin, and upper 70s in the far west. Skies will become partly cloudy as the front moves in.

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Senate votes to impose tough limits on spam

BY TED BRIDIS
AP TECHNOLOGY WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate has voted to impose tough new limits against sending unwanted commercial e-mails, but supporters warned computer users not to expect any immediate end to offers for prescription drugs, cheap loans, herbal remedies and pornography.

The "Can Spam" bill, approved Wednesday by a 97-0 vote, would outlaw the shadiest techniques used by many of the Internet's most prolific e-mailers, who pump out millions of unsolicited messages daily.

The bill, sponsored by Sens. Conrad Burns, R-Mont., and Ron Wyden, D-Ore., would prohibit senders of unsolicited commercial e-mail from disguising their identity by using a false return address or misleading subject line. The legislation also would prohibit senders from harvesting addresses off Web sites and require such e-mails to include a mechanism so recipients can indicate they do not want future mass-mailings.

A provision proposed by Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., authorizes the Federal Trade Commission to establish a do-not-spam list, similar to the agency's popular do-not-call list of telephone numbers that marketers are supposed not to call. The Direct Marketing Association opposed that provision and has described it as "a bad idea that is never going to work."

The Bush administration supports the bill, although similar legislation has stalled in the House.

"Kingpin spammers who send out e-mail by the millions are threatening to drown the Internet in a sea of trash, and the American people want it stopped," Wyden said. Acknowledging problems with e-mails sent from overseas, he urged other countries to approve similar limits.

Burns said time spent by consumers wading through unwanted messages and the costs to businesses and Internet providers deliver-

ing them were "escalating and wide-ranging." Under the bill, he said, "people will think twice before they send it, and that's the answer."

The bill also requires commercial e-mail senders to include their physical address, along with a clear notice that the message is an advertisement or sales pitch.

Despite the vote, senators cautioned computer users not to expect an immediate end to overflowing inboxes.

"The odds of us defeating spam by legislation alone are extremely low, but that does not mean we should stand idly by and do nothing about it," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., chairman of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee.

Violators could be sentenced for up to three years in prison under an amendment by Sens. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt. Their provision explicitly prohibits spammers from, among other practices, hacking into computers to use them as surreptitious relay points to disguise the origin of unwanted e-mails.

Hatch said the bill cracks down on unwanted e-mails "without unnecessarily burdening legitimate electronic commerce." The bill was supported by some leading technology companies, such as Microsoft Corp. and Time Warner's America Online. AOL said it blocks roughly 2.4 billion unwanted e-mails daily from subscribers.

Technology companies have developed increasingly sophisticated software to filter unwanted e-mails, but legislation would give consumers one more tool to combat spam. The term was applied to unwanted e-mails after a 1970 Monty Python skit in which an exasperated restaurant customer is urged to order the canned meat product until she screams, "I don't want any Spam!"

Sens. John Edwards, D-N.C., John Kerry, D-Mass., and Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, missed Wednesday's vote.

• GOP leaders under pressure to settle Medicare bill disputes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional negotiators have yet to resolve some of the most contentious issues blocking a Medicare prescription drug bill, with time dwindling this year on a Bush administration priority.

The top House and Senate Republican told negotiators to settle the major issues by week's end, and the Republicans involved in the closed-door compromise talks said they thought they would.

Chief among the unresolved issues is a demand by House GOP conservatives to have traditional Medicare compete directly with new managed-care plans.

Democrats fear that could send premiums for traditional Medicare skyrocketing. Two sources said discussions focused on suggestions to avoid large cost increases for current beneficiaries

as well as individuals aged 55 and low-income people.

In talks that ran into the night, negotiators also debated proposed cuts in hospital payments and ratified an earlier agreement on the structure of a prescription drug benefit that would become available to seniors. For a monthly premium of \$35, a beneficiary would pay an annual deductible of \$275 for coverage that then picked up 75 percent of costs up to \$2,200. After a gap in coverage to \$3,700 in out-of-pocket costs, all or nearly all remaining prescription bills would be paid for.

In yet another sign that the pace of talks was quickening, Senate Democrats scheduled a closed-door meeting Thursday to review the discussions, although Sen. Max Baucus of Montana, one of two Democrats in the talks, said it

was a "stretch" to believe that all major issues could be resolved by Friday.

The party's leader, Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., was also expected to send President Bush a letter outlining a series of conditions to be met if the administration wants bipartisan support.

Among them was a rejection of "caps or other arbitrary limits" on Medicare spending, according to one official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Other officials, also speaking on condition of anonymity, said that if the negotiators failed to reach a compromise on major issues by then, it was possible that Speaker J. Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., and Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., would step in more forcefully.

Frist said he hoped to have final legislation before the Senate the first or second week of November.

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Extension agents to stage 'Celebration!' in Amarillo

Family and Consumer Science Extension Agents from area counties will present their annual "Celebrate!" program in two segments on Tuesday, Oct. 28, at Texas A&M Center in Amarillo. The program will be offered at 1:30 p.m. and again at 6:30 p.m., at the center located at 6500 Amarillo Boulevard West. Registration for each event will be conducted 30-minutes prior to start time. Admission will be \$10 at the door.

Rachelle Redd, continuing education instructor at Amarillo College, will be the featured presenter. Redd will present "From Trash to Treasure," in which she will demonstrate how to turn recycled household items into creative novelty items, ornaments or gifts. Redd often uses items re-claimed from

area businesses.

In addition to Redd's presentation, 15 area Extension agents will present a variety of holiday craft ideas such as pumpkin topiary, shutter phone directory, vinyl lunch bags, embossed cards and gift tags, no-sew pillows, tapestry purses, torn aprons and much, much more.

Agents will also demonstrate holiday recipes to use throughout the year such as creamy chicken/rice soup, cranberry-ginger punch, skillet beef-n-rice, just to name a few. Participants will have the opportunity to sample the recipes at the conclusion of the program.

"Celebration!" is open to the public. Advance tickets are available at a reduced price of \$8 through Monday, Oct. 27, from Joan Gray, local Extension agent, at 669-8033.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Will Rush Limbaugh spend any time behind bars?

To the editor,
It couldn't happen to a nicer fellow. I've listened to Rush for years. He is a perfect example of a pompous, self-righteous, right-wing fanatic, hypocrite. I've heard his slandering lies, telling only bad things for the liberals and good for the conservatives, but never the whole truth about anyone.

Every politician that's been elected the last 15 years got elected by being "tougher on crime" than his opponent; consequently, we have more people in jail than any nation in the world. Most of this growth is because of our "drug war."

When George "Dubya" was running for governor of Texas, he ran on "Do the crime, do the time." Rush was the biggest supporter of this philosophy. He railed all the time about "long-haired dope-taking liberals." His answer to the problem was never about any kind of rehabilitation, but always about prison time.

Incidentally, I've never done drugs, and I don't smoke. I've written many letters about decriminalizing some drugs and using rehabilitation instead of jail time. However, I've changed my mind where Rush is concerned.

I think he should be prosecuted to the full letter of the law. I like the phrase, "live by the sword, and die by the sword." Well, I think the full sword of the law should be used against him. What Rush really is, is a pill-taking illegal drug addict. (The pills may be prescription legal, but obtained illegally.)

I want to see if these self-righteous right-wingers will practice what they preach, when it's one of their own heroes. If Rush is prosecuted and does jail time, he can join the other right-wing fellow talk-show hosts like Gordon Liddy and Oliver North who are both prosecuted felons.

Calvin Lacy
Pampa

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press
Today is Thursday, Oct. 23, the 296th day of 2003. There are 69 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
Twenty years ago, on Oct. 23, 1983, 241 U.S. Marines and sailors in Lebanon were killed in a suicide truck-bombing at Beirut International Airport; a near-simultaneous attack on French forces killed 58 paratroopers.

On this date:
In 1864, forces led by Union Gen. Samuel R. Curtis defeated Confederate Gen. Sterling Price's army in Missouri.

In 1915, 25,000 women marched in New York City, demanding the right to vote.

In 1942, during World War II, Britain launched a major offensive against Axis forces at El Alamein in Egypt.

In 1944, the World War II Battle of Leyte Gulf began.

In 1946, the U.N. General Assembly convened in New York for the first time, at an auditorium in Flushing Meadow.

In 1956, an anti-Stalinist revolt that was subsequently crushed by Soviet troops began in Hungary.

In 1972, the musical "Pippin" opened on Broadway.

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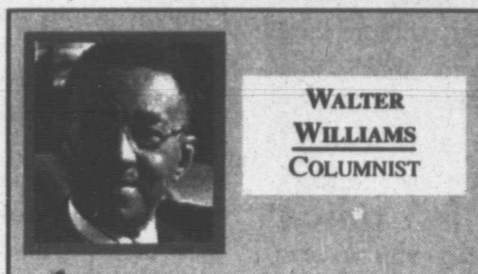
Book offers tips for educators

"Excellent schools deliver a clear message to their students: No Excuses. No excuses for failing to do your homework, failing to work hard in general; no excuses for fighting with other students, running in the hallways, dressing inappropriately and so forth."

That's part of the prescription for ending educational mediocrity discussed in Abigail and Stephen Thernstrom's new book, "No Excuses: Closing the Racial Gap in Learning" (Simon & Schuster, 2003).

It's no secret that, as the Thernstroms point out, the education achieved by white students is nothing to write home about. In civics, math, reading, writing and geography, nearly a quarter of all students leave high school with academic skills that are "Below Basic." In science, 47 percent leave high school with skills Below Basic, and in American history it's 57 percent. Below Basic is the category the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) uses for students unable to display even partial mastery of knowledge and skills fundamental for proficient work at their grade level.

As dismal as these figures are, for black students it is magnitudes worse. According to NAEP findings, only in writing are less than 40 percent of black high school students Below Basic. In math, it's 70 percent, and science 75 percent. Blacks completing high school perform a little worse than white eighth-graders in both reading and U.S. history,



WALTER WILLIAMS
COLUMNIST

and a lot worse in math and geography.

The Thernstroms report, "In math and geography, indeed, they know no more than whites in the seventh grade." From these facts, the Thernstroms conclude, "The employer hiring the typical black high school graduate (or the college that admits the average black student) is, in effect choosing a youngster who has made it only through the eighth grade."

At the other end of the NAEP academic scale, Proficient and Advanced, nearly half of all whites and 40 percent of Asians score in those categories in reading, compared to less than a fifth of blacks. In science and math, 3 percent of black students display more than a partial mastery, in contrast to seven to 10 times as many white and Asians.

The dismal performance of black students translates into at least two devastating consequences. First, glaring racial double standards are needed if more than a handful of black students are to attend the nation's most prestigious universities. Second, if one hasn't mastered high school pre-calculus, high-paying careers such as engineering, medicine and computer technology are hermetically sealed for life.

These outcomes are not preordained, and the solution is not more money, as the educationists would have us believe. Were that the case, academic achievement wouldn't be a problem. In the last two decades, educational expenditures have doubled, yet academic performance has declined.

The route to greater academic excellence is nearly a no-brainer. There are three vital inputs to education: parents, teachers and students. You tell me: How much money does it take for teachers to assign homework, and for parents and teachers to see to it that it gets done? How much money does it take to see to it that kids get a good night's sleep, come to school on time, don't fight in school, and respect authority? If these no-brainer things aren't accomplished, there's no amount of money that's going to make much of a difference.

The education establishment likes to blame poor parenting and rowdy and lawless students for educational mediocrity. Without a doubt, that's part of the problem, but incompetent, uncaring teachers are also a part of the problem.

The NAEP findings clearly point to one fault that lies solely at the feet of the education establishment — that's the granting of fraudulent diplomas. After all, isn't it fraud to confer a high school diploma upon a student, attesting that he's mastered a 12th-grade level of education, when in fact he hasn't mastered a seventh or eighth-grade level?



Tide turning for arrogant politicians

Mr. David Broder is upset. He doesn't approve of what we Californians just did to his beloved Gray Davis. He is, as a matter of fact, outraged that we had the gall to recall one of his fellow liberals. We had no right to do such a thing, he suggests.

In his post recall election column, he began by writing "Now that the miserable recall experience is over," revealing exactly how he feels about the people exercising their constitutional rights.

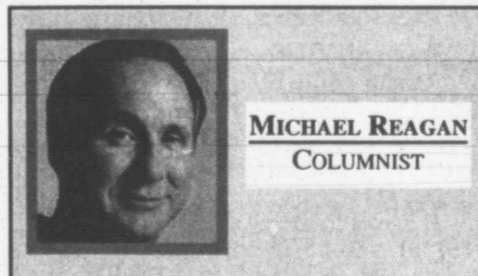
As Pat Buchanan has observed, the very liberal Mr. Broder "speaks for an elite that denounced the recall as a 'circus' and 'chaos.' He does not speak for the people."

The people loved it ... yet Broder dismisses it all as a "misguided effort."

He wasn't alone in misjudging what happened here in California on Tuesday, Oct. 7. The always wrong — Terry McAuliffe, who could find a ray of false sunshine in a 50 state dismantling of his Democrat party, tells us that what happened here in California does not bode well for George Bush because we threw the bums out — we were throwing out incumbents and so the thing was bad news for incumbents and George Bush ought to watch out.

Somebody ought to watch out, and it's not President Bush. It is, instead, every governor and every legislator across the country that thwarts the will of their voters had better watch their backs.

The people of California took this election very seriously while everybody else was laughing at the state, including Broder and George Will and others in



MICHAEL REAGAN
COLUMNIST

the media who really didn't understand what we were going through and what we were facing. And what, unfortunately we are still facing until this governor steps down because he is now signing everything that comes to his desk, including more of the laws that have driven scores of businesses from the state and costs thousands of jobs that left with them.

It will be very hard for Governor Schwarzenegger to undo any of the mischief being done by Davis who despite his pledge to help the new governor is busy making it tougher on him instead of making it easier on him to fix this state's terrible problems.

What Broder was saying to the people of California is that you really have no right to have the recall. The fact that California's constitution provides for recall doesn't matter to him or his liberal colleagues because the constitution doesn't matter to them. And, by the way, they didn't yell and scream when they tried twice to recall my father when he was governor. Broder and his friends never wrote any columns condemning those recall attempts. That was fine with them. It only becomes an outrage when it is used against their favorite liberals.

They just can't accept the fact that

recalls were tried 31 times in California over the past 93 years and this is the only time it worked and it worked because the people of California had had it up to their armpits with Gray Davis and his cronies.

Had this recall been against Pete Wilson or any other Republican, every one of those writers who were screaming about the tragedy of it all with the Davis recall would be hailing it and saying what a wonderful thing was being done to throw the Republican rascals out.

What a bunch of hypocrites.

What really upsets them is the danger now faced by other politicians across America who treat the people's wishes with contempt. Alabama's Republican Governor Bob-Riley already learned a harsh lesson when voters overwhelmingly turned down his plan to raise taxes by a whopping \$1.2 billion — a controversial proposal that has made him a heretic in his own party.

"Clearly the angry voter is back," said pollster John Zogby. "Nationwide, there is a percolating anxiety and anger."

It's good that California showed leadership — what we did sends a message to other governors that when you go back on your word, when you lie to the public as Gray Davis and his cohorts lied to us you'd better beware. The message: watch your step, you could be next.

—Mike Reagan, the eldest son of President Ronald Reagan, is heard on more than 200 talk radio stations nationally as part of the *Premiere Radio Network*. Comments to mereagan@hotmail.com for Mike.

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Panel anticipates increase in Social Security deficit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government should change how it projects Social Security's future finances by assuming significant increases in immigration, longer life expectancies and lower inflation, an advisory panel said Thursday.

If adopted, the system's projected 75-year deficit would rise by \$200 billion to \$3.7 trillion, according to a report by a panel of economists, actuaries and demographers appointed to review methods now used to project Social Security's future financial status.

Social Security is a pay-as-you-go system, in which workers' payroll taxes fund benefits for current retirees. The system faces financial problems as the large baby boom generation starts retiring in five years, while there are fewer workers to pay Social Security taxes.

The most urgent change would be to assume an increase in immigration

rather than a decline, the report said.

"Given the steady increase in immigration experienced since World War II, the panel believes that the current assumption of a decline in the annual number of immigrants is unrealistic," it said.

Immigration has increased by an average of about 4 percent a year since 1950. Yet Social Security trustees assume a drop this year from 1.2 million to an annual total of 900,000 in 2023 and after, the report said.

"In light of the sustained, rapid increase of net migration over more than five decades, the panel finds this assumption to be highly implausible," the report said.

"Since immigration results in a larger and younger population, the effect of a mistaken migration assumption on projected trust fund balances should be a major cause of concern."

The panel also recommended that assumptions for

mortality rates be changed to result in a projected life expectancy of 84.4 years instead of the current 82.9 years for someone born in 2070.

On labor force participation, Social Security trustees should eliminate an assumption recently added that rates will rise because of increases in life expectancy. The report said sufficient evidence does not yet exist that points to a sustained trend of Americans working longer and postponing retirement.

Other recommendations include an increase in the assumed rate of real wage growth and a decrease in the assumed rate of inflation.

The Social Security Technical Panel on Assumptions and Methods was appointed by the Social Security Advisory Board, an independent, bipartisan board created in 1994 to advise the president, Congress and the Social Security commissioner.

Scientists count planet's marine life, expect thousands of new fish species

WASHINGTON (AP) — An unprecedented census of life in the world's oceans is discovering three new fish species a week on average and predicts as many as 5,000 unknown fish species may be lurking undetected, according to the first interim report.

By the time they're done in 2010, scientists say they may find more than 2 million different species of marine life.

Three hundred scientists from 53 countries participating in the \$1 billion study reported their first findings Thursday, three years into the decade-long project. So far, the Census of Marine Life comprised 15,304 species of fish and 194,696 to 214,696 species of animals and plants, estimated to be roughly 10 percent of the world's total.

The census is adding about 150 to 200 species of fish and 1,700 species of animals and plants each year.

The scientists said they believe the oceans that extend across 70 percent of Earth's surface hold about 20,000 species of fish and up to 1.98 million species of animals and plants. Many of those could be basic and small life forms, such as worms and jellyfish.

"We've tended to be interested in the things that we eat," said Jesse Ausubel, an environmental scientist at The Rockefeller University in New York City. He helps run the census for the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, which provided \$20 million in funding.

"We've tended not to be interested in the things that pass through our nets or don't taste good," Ausubel said. "But the small critters are

tremendously important in the ecosystem ... and in an evolutionary sense, the small things came first. They're ancient, and they're survivors."

Scientists hope to gain a better understanding of life in the mostly unexplored seas, learning about evolution and climate, pole to pole. Environmentalists hope to use it to counter overfishing and pollution that has depleted the ocean's resources. Industry hopes it will lead to more efficient fishing and shipping, new pharmaceuticals and industrial compounds.

"Our goal by 2010 is to know as much about life in the oceans as we know about life on land now," said Ronald O'Dor, a marine biologist at Dalhousie University in Canada and the project's chief scientist.

"No one would claim that we know everything about life on land," he said. "There are probably still a few hundred thousand beetles in tropical forests that haven't been described. But we'd like to aim for parity."

The project grew from scientists' concerns after a 1995 report by the National Academy of Sciences found that human population growth was fast changing the diversity of life in the oceans, possibly irreversibly.

They wanted to learn what still was there.

The census started organization six years ago, partly through the efforts of J. Frederick Grassle, director of Rutgers University's Institute of Marine & Coastal Sciences. Actual work began in 2000. It has cost \$70 million so far and the price tag eventually is expected to reach \$1 billion, paid by participating governments.

Wildfires break out in Southern California

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Racing against the expected arrival of Santa Ana winds, firefighters battled several Southern California wildfires, including two arson fires and a blaze at Camp Pendleton that threatened 300 homes.

That fire was expected to grow, while a spokeswoman for the San Bernardino National Forest said an arson fire in San Bernardino County may have doubled in size overnight due to strong wind.

"All bets are off at this point," Tricia Abbas said Thursday. The fire scorched 2,500 acres by late Wednesday but was burning up a slope and away from homes, she said. It was 17 percent contained and almost 700 firefighters were battling the blaze Thursday.

Meanwhile, a fast-moving arson fire that began Tuesday destroyed four homes in the Reche Canyon area of Riverside County and burned about 2,387 acres, said Capt. Rick Vogt of the California Department of Forestry. Full containment was expected by Thursday morning, he said.

High temperatures Wednesday helped spur five wildfires, burning more than 7,000 acres. Southern California has experienced record, triple-digit temperatures and the warm weather is expected to continue for the next few days.

The season's first hot Santa Ana winds, expected over the weekend, may help the fires spread, said Bill Hoffer, a

National Weather Service specialist.

"It lowers relative humidities, it causes a real drying effect," he said.

A brush fire burned more than 2,085 acres by Wednesday night and threatened about 300 homes in De Luz Canyon, just east of Camp Pendleton, said Kerri Ugluk, a spokeswoman with the U.S. Forest Service.

At the Country Fair ...



(Pampa News photo by ReDonn Woods)

Diana Larkin is seen here checking out Silent Auction items during Pampa Chamber of Commerce's 19th Annual Country Fair held recently at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Winners of the \$1,000 drawing were Tim Fatheree, G.M. Walls, Jr., Judi Edwards, NBC Employee pool, Paula Goff and Kathrine Taylor. Pampa Pawn pool #3 won the \$5,000 drawing.

Blaze at Detroit adult home kills at least two

DETROIT (AP) — Fire broke out at a group home for mentally and physically disabled adults early Thursday, killing at least 2 of the 13 people inside, fire officials said.

The fire appeared to have started shortly before 4 a.m. on the first floor of a three-story home used as an adult care facility, fire officials said.

Two people died on the third floor and nine others were taken to hospitals, Detroit Fire Chief Lee Moore said.

Broadcasters reported a third person died at a hospital,

but Moore said fire officials were aware of only two deaths, and the hospital didn't confirm a third death.

Sophia Moss, the resident manager of the home, said she was awakened early Thursday by smoke alarms in the home and went door to door screaming at residents to wake up and get out of the house. She left her second-floor bedroom to alert residents on the first floor and then went back upstairs.

"I couldn't make it up to the third floor," Moss said. "I wanted to go back in and I couldn't."

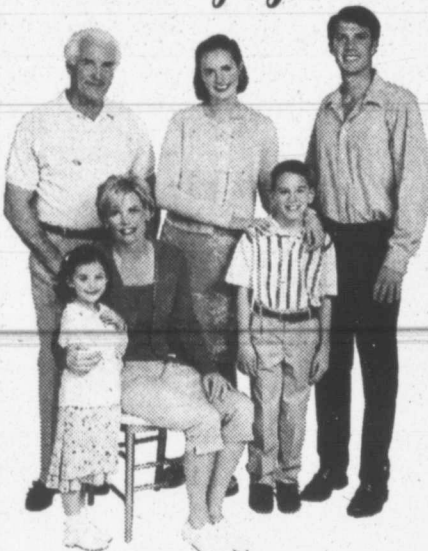
One resident was able to carry a wheelchair-bound man out the back door, Moss said. Witnesses urged others to jump from the windows to escape.

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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Couples With Cold Feet Are Wise To Step Back

DEAR ABBY: I am writing regarding "Sad Mom in Michigan," who ignored her daughter's second thoughts about getting married and rushed her to the altar because the wedding was already paid for. Many pastors, myself included, can add her letter to our collection of wedding horror stories. Families often spend thousands of dollars to show off in a one-hour ceremony instead of investing time in talking to their kids about commitment. I have seen brides blackmailed into doing what the parents wanted because "we're paying for it."

A wedding should be an occasion of joy as a couple begins a new life together, not a nerve-racking, bankrupting extravaganza that everyone would like to forget. Parents who want a circus shouldn't turn their kids into clowns in order to live out their own fantasies.

If a child expresses doubts before a wedding, that is the time to back up, take a breath and reconsider, no matter what has been paid. Divorce is more expensive than any wedding.

PASTOR IN DALLAS

DEAR PASTOR: And in more ways than one. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: May I respond to "Sad Mom," who gave her 27-year-old daughter the wrong advice about going through with her marriage? As a pastor, I take marriage seriously. When a couple asks me to perform their ceremony, I make it clear I believe that marriage is for life.

Each time I meet with a couple, I ask if they still want to go through with the ceremony, and I tell them that if there is any doubt at all, we can "postpone" it. I would rather have them call it off now than one year, 10 years or even 50 years down the road.

I also inform the couple that on the day of the ceremony I will ask if they want to go through with it, and if for any reason they wish to call it off, it is perfectly OK. It is their future, not the future of their

parents or friends.

God bless!
TERRY JOHNSON, PASTOR,
CALVARY CHAPEL,
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DEAR PASTOR JOHNSON: You are a wise pastor. Unless both parties are convinced beyond a doubt they're doing the right thing, they shouldn't do it. A 10-minute "mistake" can lead to a lifetime of misery. Do the math!

DEAR ABBY: One of my employees is applying to get her MBA and has asked me to write a letter of recommendation for graduate school. Her performance at work has been acceptable but not outstanding, and I don't feel comfortable writing a "glowing" letter about her.

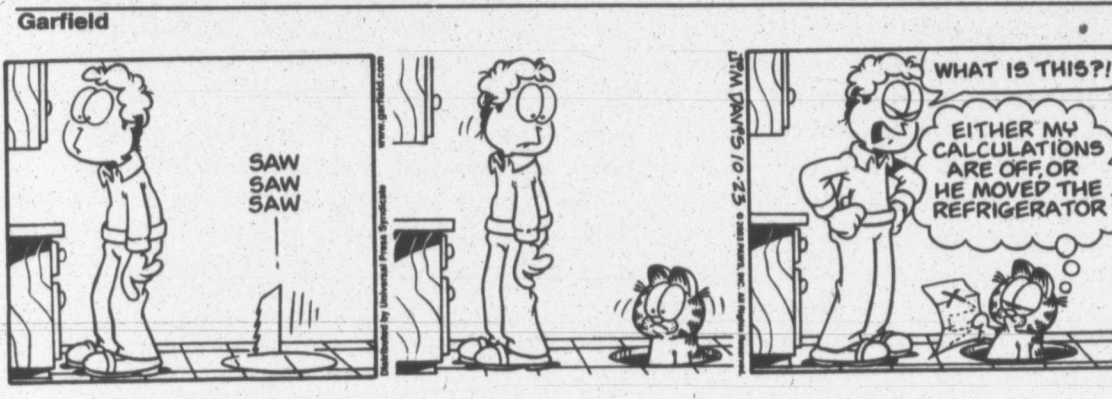
I know how important recommendations are, and I don't want to hurt her chances of pursuing her dream. How can I tactfully decline?

HONEST BOSS IN COLORADO

DEAR HONEST BOSS: Invite the employee into your office. Praise her for her fine qualities and tell her where there is room for improvement. Say that you honestly cannot write a "glowing" recommendation and must decline because you don't want to spoil her chances of being accepted. It's the kindest way to handle a potentially ego-damaging situation.

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FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Harvester fans are urged to wear green and gold at the Pampa-Dumas football game Friday night.

There will be a sprint line of fans as the Harvesters pass through the helmet-tunnel to enter Harvester Stadium.

Senior players will be honored prior to the kickoff at 7 p.m.

BASEBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Astros manager Jimmy Williams received a one-year contract extension, signing with Houston through the 2005 season.

HOCKEY

DALLAS (AP) — Joe Nieuwendyk is still scoring big goals in Dallas.

Nieuwendyk, playing in Dallas for the first time since the Stars traded him to New Jersey in March 2002, scored a power-play goal with 6:58 left as Toronto beat Dallas 3-1 on Wednesday night.

Nieuwendyk helped the Devils reach the Stanley Cup finals last year, but did not play in the championship series because of an injury. He signed with the Maple Leafs in September.

"It was disappointing to me to be traded when I was," Nieuwendyk said. "But I've certainly had time to get over it. Last year, winning the Cup was a great experience."

Nieuwendyk, the Conn Smythe Trophy winner as the playoff MVP when Dallas won its lone title in 1999, deflected Mats Sundin's shot past goalie Marty Turco to give Toronto a 2-1 lead.

"Sometimes the simplest play is to put it on net in traffic, especially when Marty's seeing the puck the way he is," Nieuwendyk said. "Mats made a great play on it."

Nieuwendyk scored his first goal for Toronto, and Sundin picked up his first point of the season on the play.

"Our offense has not been clicking," Sundin said. "When we haven't been as productive as we need to be, people get frustrated. We showed some real good signs tonight. I've been getting a lot of chances. The puck just hasn't been going in for me."

Ed Belfour, Dallas' goalie during its championship run, made the goal stand up, stopping 15 shots.

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Tiger League champs



Clifton Supply Cowboys compiled a 5-1 record to win the Tiger League football championship this season. Team members are (front row, l-r) Trevor McKay, Brandon Rice, Ramon Jimenez, Cameron Bengue, Erick Lewis and Kendrick Tillman; (second row, l-r) Zack Organ, Cole Wilson, Corbin Clifton, Javier Solis, Gabe Rodriguez and Reid Bradley; (back row, l-r) head coach Mando Ramirez, Leonel Madrid, Daniel Smith, Jessie Jimenez, Craig Conner, Austin Preas and assistant coach Alfredo Jimenez. Not pictured is Dillion Johnson. After losing the season opener, the Cowboys won five straight games to claim the league title. Their defense gave up only six points the last five games.

Marlins tie series at 2 games each

MIAMI (AP) — Roger Clemens walked off the mound a hero. Alex Gonzalez and the Florida Marlins danced off the field as winners.

Gonzalez led off the bottom of the 12th inning with a home run and the Marlins survived yet another late Yankees jolt, beating New York 4-3 Wednesday night to even the World Series at two games each.

"I had a feeling. I was strong with the bat," the slumping Gonzalez said.

After both teams saluted Clemens in what might have been his final appearance, pinch-hitter Ruben Sierra saved the Yankees with a two-out, two-run triple in the ninth that tied it at 3.

It turned out the drama was just beginning once the clock passed midnight. And at 12:28 a.m., Gonzalez hit a low line drive off Jeff Weaver that barely cleared the left-field wall for the win.

Gonzalez had been only 5-for-53 this postseason. Weaver, the odd man out on the Yankees' staff for most of the season, pitched for the first

time since Sept. 24. "Just trying to put it in play, man. He threw me that sinker and I got it," Gonzalez said.

Both teams threatened in extra innings, with Marlins reliever Braden Loper escaping a bases-loaded, one-out jam in the 11th and posting the victory.

The Yankees had won seven straight extra-inning games in the Series since 1964. The previous two were among the most stirring in their storied history, set up when Tino Martinez and Scott Brosius hit two-out, two-run homers in the bottom of the ninth on consecutive nights against Arizona's Byung-Hyun Kim in 2001.

But the Marlins also knew a thing about late magic. Their last Series win at Pro Player Stadium was an 11-inning victory in Game 7 against Cleveland in 1997.

"That's what this is all about. You've got two great teams that deserve to be here, and you saw great baseball tonight," Yankees manager Joe Torre said.

Now with things all even, it goes to Game 5 on

Thursday night. David Wells starts against Florida's Brad Penny in a rematch of the opener that the Marlins won 3-2.

The Marlins guaranteed the Series will return to Yankee Stadium. And that means there's still a chance Clemens will pitch again — and it would be in Game 7.

"We got five straight hits in the first inning we thought we were going to get to him early," Florida's Jeff Conine said.

Wheeler drops to six-man

WHEELER — Wheeler Independent School District has voted to allow its football team to compete at the six-man level during the 2004-2005 relignment.

Wheeler school board members cast a 7-0 vote Wednesday to let the University Scholastic League know the Mustangs would switch to six-man next season.

Wheeler High currently has a student enrollment of

90. The cutoff is 99.5 between 11-man football and six-man football.

The move to six-man ends a legacy of football dominance in 11-man for the Mustangs, who won state titles in 1977, 1979 and 1988. Wheeler has had a string of playoff appearances that date back to the mid-1990s.

Wheeler will compete in Class 1A Division II in all other UIL events.

UIL rejects proposal to add fourth playoff team

AUSTIN — The UIL Legislative Council took no action this week on adding a fourth playoff position in each district for team sports after a statewide superintendent survey showed 65 percent did not favor expansion.

The lack of action effectively killed adding another playoff team for the 2004-2005 school year in the sports of football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, softball and

baseball. Additional playoff teams have been added three times in the last 21 years. The UIL added the district runner-up to the playoffs in 1982, and added a third team to the 5A football playoff structure in 1990. Classes 4A through 1A added a third team in 1996.

The Legislative Council also rejected boys volleyball, ice hockey and boxing as sanctioned sports.

It's a big game in a little place

By **JOSH DUBOW**
AP Football Writer

College Picks

USC 27-21.
Wake Forest (plus 18 1/2) at No. 6 Florida State
Bobby Bowden can pass Joe Paterno for most wins ... FLORIDA STATE 31-17.

Oregon State (plus 8) at No. 6 Washington State
Cowgans can't look ahead to showdown vs. USC ... WASHINGTON STATE 24-20.

No. 8 Ohio State (minus 20 1/2) at Indiana
Buckeyes looking for first road win ... OHIO STATE 31-13.

No. 17 Auburn (plus 3 1/2) at No. 9 LSU
Auburn plays seventh game against Top 10 team in last 11 ... AUBURN 21-20.

No. 10 Purdue (plus 5) at No. 13 Michigan
Another tough road test for the Boilermakers ... MICHIGAN 28-24.

No. 12 Northern Illinois (plus 3 1/2) at No. 23 Bowling Green
Huskies' undefeated run ends ... BOWLING GREEN 27-24.

Iowa State (plus 23 1/2) at No. 14 Nebraska
Huskies 23-2 in last 25 meetings with Cyclones ... NEBRASKA 31-14.

No. 15 TCU (minus 6) at Houston
Horned Frogs have won 17 of 18 overall ... TCU 24-21.

Penn State (plus 10 1/2) at No. 16 Iowa
JoePa looking for first conference win ... IOWA 27-20.

No. 18 Oklahoma State (minus 6) at Texas A&M
High-flying Cowboys can't look ahead to Oklahoma ... OKLAHOMA STATE 34-24.

No. 19 Texas (minus 33) at Baylor
Bears last team to shut out Longhorns — in 1980 ... TEXAS 42-13.

No. 20 Wisconsin (minus 10 1/2) at Northwestern
Badgers try to bounce back from loss to Purdue ... WISCONSIN 27-10.

No. 21 Arkansas (plus 1) at Mississippi
Eli Manning and Rebels try to stay undefeated in conference ... MISSISSIPPI 27-24.

No. 22 Tennessee (minus 3 1/2) at Alabama
Tide winless at home vs. Vols since '91 ... TENNESSEE 24-17.

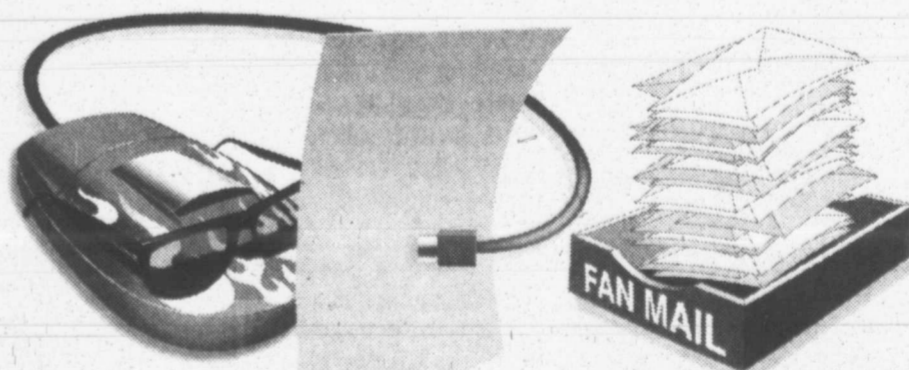
New Mexico (plus 9) at No. 24 Utah
Utes ranked for first time since '96 ... UTAH 28-14.

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Season: 120-32 (straight); 73-68-1 (vs. points)

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Donors conference to assist Iraq opens

MADRID, Spain (AP) — U.S. and Iraqi officials pleaded for billions to rebuild Iraq at a donors conference that opened Thursday, with warnings that they might not get all they need right away.

Despite the approval last week of a U.N. resolution setting out Iraq's future course, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan acknowledged that lingering divisions over Washington's role in running the country might deter some donors.

But in his opening remarks Thursday, Annan urged that such concerns be set aside, saying "the long-term challenge of reconstruction has to be faced by all of us."

Security remains a primary constraint "both now and into the foreseeable future," he said.

"But a start to reconstruction cannot be deferred until that day," he said. "It demands our urgent attention now. I appeal to donors to give and give generously."

Ahead of the meeting, Annan and Secretary of State Colin Powell sought to lower expectations that Washington would come away with the entire amount it wants — \$35.8 billion through 2007.

Powell acknowledged "it may take time to meet the goal" of more than \$55 billion set by the World Bank, which includes the Bush administration's nearly \$20 billion pledge.

"I don't expect governments to announce everything they are going to do for Iraq in the future tomorrow," Annan said Wednesday night. "But tomorrow and the day after

will be an important beginning."

France and Germany, leading opponents of the U.S.-led war, have both cited concerns about the slow pace of restoring Iraq's sovereignty for their refusal to pledge any new money now.

In London, a British aid group charged Thursday that the U.S.-run body governing Iraq has failed to account for billions of dollars allocated for rebuilding the country.

Christian Aid said in a report that the Coalition Provisional Authority had only explained publicly how it had spent \$1 billion of the \$5 billion it has been given for Iraqi development. The funds include \$1 billion from the former U.N. Oil for Food program, \$2.5 billion in assets seized from Saddam Hussein's former regime and \$1.5 billion in oil revenues, the group said.

In Baghdad, the provisional authority said it was "adhering fully" to the U.N. resolution that established it and was working with international agencies to set up a monitoring board. Once it is established, the board will audit all the Development Fund of Iraq's transactions, the authority said.

That money is separate from the funds being raised in Madrid, most of which are to go into a trust managed by the World Bank, the United Nations and a committee of Iraqis.

The new fund is designed to lure donors wary of U.S. control, but some aid groups were skeptical about whether it will be able to make decisions on the ground independently of the U.S. occupying authority.

Former butler: Di said relationship with Charles 'poisoned' by others

LONDON (AP) — Princess Diana maintained at the end of her marriage that she never wanted a divorce, but said her relationship with Prince Charles had been poisoned by "envy, jealousy and hatred" from his family and friends, a tabloid newspaper reported Thursday.

The Daily Mirror is running excerpts from "A Royal Duty," a forthcoming memoir by Diana's former butler and confidant Paul Burrell.

In Thursday's excerpt, Burrell said Diana sent him a handwritten note on Aug. 28, 1996, the day her divorce from Charles was finalized.

"I never wanted a divorce and always dreamed of a happy marriage with loving support from Charles," she wrote, according to Burrell.

"A part of me will always love Charles," she added.

But, she said, "It has been a turbulent 15 years having to face the envy, jealousy and hatred from the prince's friends and family."

"They have so misunderstood me. It has brought enormous heartache."

Charles, the heir to the throne, married 20-year-old Lady Diana Spencer at a pomp-laden service in St. Paul's Cathedral in 1981. But the marriage foundered, in part over Diana's unhappiness at the burdens of royal life and Charles' continuing relationship with companion Camilla Parker Bowles.

In a 1995 interview Diana acknowledged that she too, had had an affair, with former cavalry officer James Hewitt.

Burrell said Diana asked her mother-in-law, Queen Elizabeth II, whether the divorce meant Charles would marry Parker Bowles. The queen is said to have replied: "I think that very unlikely."

Burrell also wrote that Diana once told him her son Prince William "doesn't want to be king. He doesn't want his every move watched."

William, 21, is second in line to the throne, after his father.

Burrell's book, due to be published next week, is the latest inside look at the royal family's woes.

The excerpts have included letters to Diana from her father-in-law Prince Philip — one stating he "never dreamed" Charles would leave Diana for Parker Bowles.

Burrell also cited a letter in which Diana's brother, Earl Spencer, said, "I pray you're getting treatment for your mental problems."

Spencer told the U.S. television network NBC on Wednesday that the letter was "private correspondence which has been taken out of context and out of time."

The royal family, reportedly angry over Burrell's revelations, has asked for and received sections of the book from its publisher.

The Daily Mirror also published a letter, allegedly written by Diana 10 months before her 1997 death in a Paris car crash, saying someone was planning "an accident in my car ... in order to make the path clear for Charles to marry."

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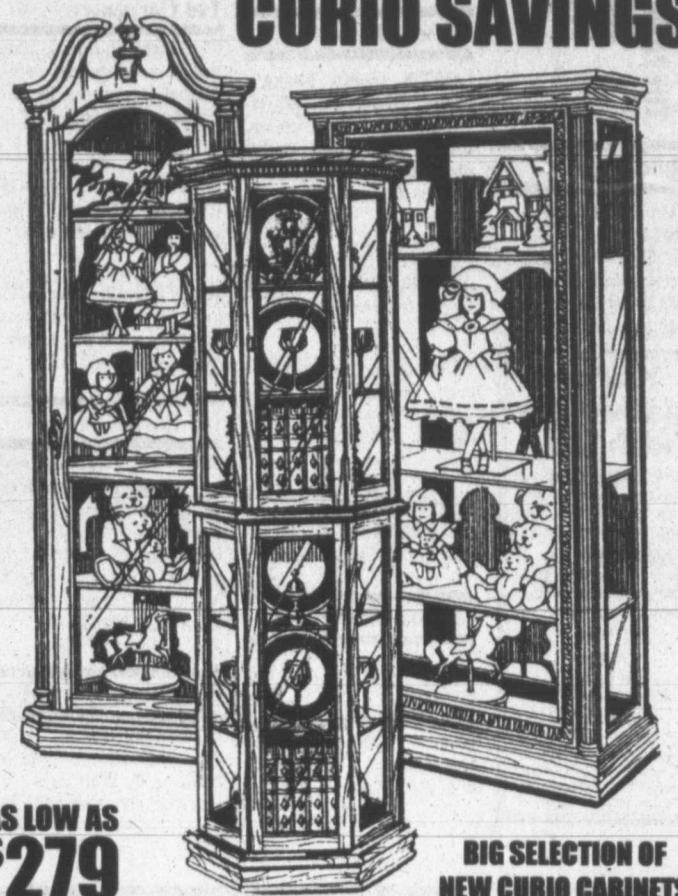


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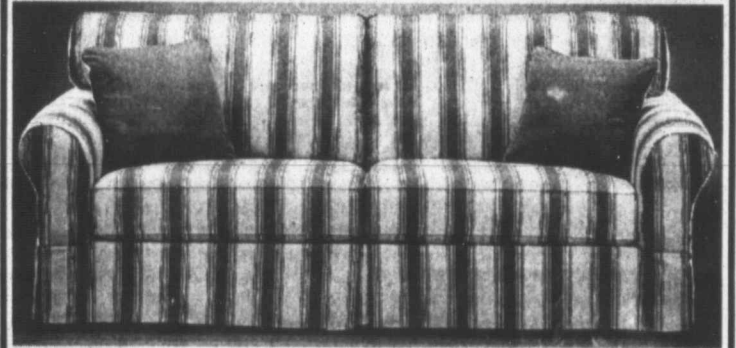
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