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Investigators await autopsy results on victims

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Four victims have been identified in a multiple homicide which occurred early Friday morning at a home about 13 miles south of Pampa on Highway 70.

Brian Conrad, 31; Michell Conrad, 35; Zach Doan, 14; and the unborn child of Michell Conrad were all found dead at the residence at 7142 Highway 70 after a 911 call was received at about 7:15 a.m. Friday, according to Texas Department of Public Safety Public Information Officer Daniel Hawthorne of Clarendon.

Each of the victims had been shot with a firearm, Hawthorne said.

Gray County Sheriff Don Copeland declined to comment on who made the 911 call or whether a 10-year-old girl was present at the time of the shootings. The girl was not listed as a survivor in the victims' obituaries.

"We won't comment on that," he said this morning.

Sheriff's deputies, Hoover Volunteer Fire Department, Pampa Police Department, an investigator for the 31st District Attorney's office, DPS and the

Texas Rangers all responded to the scene Friday. Lubbock DPS crime scene technicians were also at the site Friday.

The homicides are being investigated by the Texas Rangers and Gray County Sheriff's Office, Lt. Joe B. Hoard of the sheriff's office said Friday morning at the site.

"We've got several leads and we're following up on every lead we've got," said Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing this morning.

Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez ordered autopsies Friday on each of the



BRIAN CONRAD



MICHELL CONRAD



ZACH DOAN

victims. The bodies were to be autopsied in Lubbock.

"I expect preliminary autopsy results today," Martinez said this morning. Final autopsy reports can take up to 60 days,

depending on urgency, he said.

Brian Conrad was born May 2, 1974 in Abilene and moved to Pampa to operate his family's farm and ranch after earning a degree in agriculture

from Oklahoma Panhandle State University. He had served as a director of Gray County Farm Bureau and was active in 4-H.

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Selling books



Elizabeth Marshall, right, makes change for Linda Harvey at the Friends of the Library's paperback book sale Sunday at Lovett Memorial Library. Roy Morriss of the organization said that this year's sales were running double the amount made at last year's paperback sale.

Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Company selected to repair Brown floor

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

A Wichita Falls company will repair the floor at M.K. Brown Auditorium and Civic Center this month.

The Pampa City Commission voted unanimously in a special meeting today to accept Scales Construction's bid of \$59,500 to repair the floor of the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Auditorium and Civic Center.

The commission voted in September to repair the parquet flooring after it began to buckle.

Pampa City Manager John Horst told the commission that the problem is not new. Moisture beneath the floor has been a problem in the Heritage Room since the 1980s, he said.

Pampa City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers said today that moisture beneath the

floor has not been a problem in any other part of the civic center complex.

Using prisoners from the Jordan Unit, the city removed the wooden flooring last month, then let bids for the repairs. The city staff opened the bids at 11 a.m. and checked to make sure all bids met the specifications. The commission selected Scales Construction of Wichita Falls. The only other bidder was Art Concrete of Amarillo.

The contract includes power blasting the existing concrete floor, pouring a quarter to half inch overlay to smooth out rough spots and then staining and sealing the concrete.

The contract calls for the flooring project to be completed and the floor to be able to sustain heavy traffic by Saturday, Oct. 29, the date of the Country Fair.

Bush picks Harriet Miers for top court vacancy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush nominated White House counsel Harriet Miers to the Supreme Court today, turning to a lawyer who has never been a judge to replace Sandra Day O'Connor and help reshape the nation's judiciary.

"She has devoted her life to the rule of law and the cause of justice," Bush said as his first Supreme Court pick, Chief Justice John Roberts, took the bench for the first time just a few blocks from the White House. If confirmed by the Republican-

controlled Senate, Miers, 60, would join Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg as the second woman on the nation's highest court and the third to serve there. Miers was the first woman to serve as president of the Texas State Bar and the Dallas Bar Association.

Senate Republicans said they would press for confirmation by Thanksgiving.

O'Connor has been the court's majority maker in dozens of contro-

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JOHN ERICKSON

Hank the Cowdog to entertain students

John R. Erickson, creator of the "Hank the Cowdog" series, will be at M.K. Brown Auditorium Nov. 9 to entertain Pampa's elementary students. "Hank the Cowdog in Concert" is a 60-minute program of innocent fun and wholesome family entertainment. Through songs and readings, Erickson brings to life characters from his award-winning series of books and audio books.

Judy Hansen, elementary library coordinator, said books, T-shirts, and CDs are available at cost, but must be preordered by Wednesday. Order forms are available at all elementary libraries, she said.

Erickson was born in Midland and grew up in Perryton, where he lives today on his ranch. He has a degree from the University of Texas, studied two years at Harvard Divinity School,

and left Harvard three hours short of a master's degree in theology.

After marrying Kristine Dykema in 1967, he spent 15 years writing and working at odd jobs, including eight years as a ranch cowboy.

He began his own publishing company and self-published the first 10 "Hank the Cowdog" stories.

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You're Invited To Meet And Discuss The ECONOMIC FUTURE OF PAMPA

At A 4B EDC Town Hall Meeting On Thursday, October 6th
At 6:30 PM In The M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium

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Obituaries

Brian Conrad, 31

Services for Brian Conrad, 31, of Pampa, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2005, at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church and the Rev. George Turner, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Conrad died Friday, Sept. 30 in Pampa.

He was born May 2, 1974, in Abilene. He graduated from Cleburne High School in 1992 and attended Clarendon College, studying farm and ranch management. He later graduated from Oklahoma

Panhandle State University with a degree in agriculture.

After college he moved to Pampa to operate the family farm and ranch. He married Michell Sudderth on Jan. 17, 2003. He had served as a director of Gray County Farm Bureau and was active in 4-H. He was a member of Briarwood Full Gospel Church.

Survivors include his parents, Mike and Sharon Conrad of Cleburne; a sister, Kimberly Conrad of Cleburne; his maternal grandmother, Bernice Maddox of Pampa; and his paternal grandparents, Victor and Mary Conrad of Clifton.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Raymond Maddox.

The family requests memorials to Gray County 4-H or Briarwood Full Gospel Church, 1800 W. Harvester, Pampa, TX 79065.

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



B. CONRAD

Michell Conrad, 35

Services for Michell Conrad, 35, of Pampa will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2005, in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, and the Rev. George Turner, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Conrad died Friday, Sept. 30.

She was born Oct. 1, 1969 in Grand Prairie and was a 1989 graduate of Pampa High School. She worked for Gray County Farm Bureau for 10 years. She married Brian Conrad on Jan. 17, 2003.



M. CONRAD

She was involved in 4-H, Pampa Optimist Club, and was a member of Briarwood Full Gospel Church.

Survivors include her mother, Brenda Lamb of Skellytown; her father and stepmother, Gary and Sandra Sudderth of Farmersville; a brother, Mark Lamb and wife MaryAnn of Pampa; a stepsister, Kristy Powell and husband David of White Deer; a stepbrother, Brian Sudderth of Farmersville; a stepmother, Carolyn Hall of Garland; and her grandparents, John and Loice Williams of Fort Worth.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Optimist Club, 601 E. Craven, Pampa, TX 79065, or Gray County 4-H.

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

Zach Doan, 14

Services for Zach Doan, 14, of Pampa will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2005, in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, and the Rev. George Turner, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Zach died Friday, Sept. 30 in Pampa.

He was born on Aug. 20, 1991, in Pampa. He was a freshman student at Pampa High School where he was involved in cross country, track and wrestling. He was also

active in Pampa Optimist baseball and was a member of the Briarwood Full Gospel Church. He loved to hunt, play golf, and show livestock. He received high awards in 4-H for air rifle competition.

Survivors include his father and stepmother, Johnny and Jen Doan of Skellytown; his grandparents, Brenda Lamb of Skellytown, Max Doan and Garold and Linda Bromlow, all of Pampa, and Gary and Sandra Sudderth of Farmersville; and stepprarents, Mike and Sharon Conrad of Cleburne, Carolyn Hall of Garland and Dan Adams of Skellytown.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Optimist Club, 601 E. Craven, Pampa, TX 79065, of Gray County 4-H.

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



DOAN

Wanda Lee Sailor, 74

Wanda Lee Sailor, 74, died Sunday, October 2, 2005 in Amarillo.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Sailor was born May 18, 1931, in Kelton, and was a lifelong resident of Pampa. She married Artie C. Sailor, Jr., on August 26, 1955, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on October 31, 2004. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Theresa Davis and husband James Davis, Jr., of Pampa; one son, Artie Sailor, III of Pampa;

three sisters, Odessa Mooney and husband Elwood, and Doretta Moore, all of Wheeler, and Oleta Ellis of New Braunfels; two brothers, Odis Calcote and wife Katherine of McLean, and Thurman Calcote and wife Linda of Kelton; and three grandchildren, Matricia Davis, Levi Sailor and Laci Sailor, all of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, Texas 79066-0621.

— Sign our online register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Carl B. Caldwell, 87

SULPHER SPRINGS — Burial was in Conner Cemetery by West Oaks Funeral-Home of Sulpher Springs.

Mr. Caldwell was born in Bosque County. He was a manager and owner of retail stores and was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include two sons, Ronald Caldwell of Dike and Gerald Caldwell of Sulpher Springs; two daughters, Sandra Henson of Pampa and Wanda Cade of Gilmer; 17 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Survivors include one daughter, Theresa Davis and husband James Davis, Jr., of Pampa; one son, Artie Sailor, III of Pampa;

Stocks

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

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Milo	2.87
Corn	3.85
Soybeans	4.68

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

OXY	86.05	+0.62
BP PLC ADR	70.99	+0.14
Cabot Corp	32.70	-0.31
Celmar		NA
Cabot Oil Gas	51.67	+1.16
Coca Cola	43.20	+0.01
VLO	114.75	+1.69
HAL	68.83	+0.31
TRI	45.01	-0.26
KMI	95.51	-0.65

XCEL	19.70	+0.09
Kerr McGee	97.29	+0.18
XOM	63.19	-0.35
Limited	20.59	+0.16
Williams	25.59	+0.54
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Atmos	28.34	+0.09
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YOU'RE INVITED to meet and discuss the Economic future of Pampa at a 4B EDC Town Hall meeting on Thursday, October 6th, 6:30 pm., in the M.K. Brown Civic Aud.

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

Saturday, Oct. 1

Five traffic stops were made. A traffic complaint was received from the 300 block of West Kingsmill.

Vehicle accidents were reported at the intersection of Worrell and Christine streets and the intersection of Harvester and Russell streets.

An animal complaint was received from the 700 block of East 14th.

Found property was reported in the 1300 block of West Wilks. A gun with the serial numbers removed was found in the 1500 block of West Wilks.

Warrant service was attempted at one location. Civil matters were reported on two occasions in the police department lobby.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 600 block of North Hobart, the 300 block of Davis, and the 1900 block of North Hobart.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 600 block of East Browning, the 700 block of North Banks, the 2800 block of Charles, and the 1400 block of Williston.

Disorderly conduct/noise was reported in the 300 block of Canadian.

Assault was reported in the police department lobby. No location was given, and

no injuries were reported.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road. No injuries were reported.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

Criminal mischief was reported at two different locations in the 1000 block of North Dwight. In each incident, a mailbox was damaged. Estimated damage in each incident is \$50.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1700 block of West Kentucky. The rear window of a car was broken, resulting in an estimated \$500 damage.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of South Houston.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of Maple. Berkey Wade O'Brien, 34, 2213 N. Wells, was arrested on a blue warrant from the Austin Parole Board.

Sunday, Oct. 2

Nine traffic stops were made. A traffic complaint was received from the 1500 block of North Faulkner.

A vehicle accident was reported in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway.

An animal complaint was received from the 1400 block of East Kingsmill.

Civil matters were reported in the 400 block of West Harvester and in the police department lobby.

Four business alarms were reported.

Found property was reported in the 2200 block of Chestnut and the 200 block of North Nelson. In each instance, a bicycle was found.

Found property was reported in the police department lobby. The property, a bicycle, was found in the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 700 block of Murphy and the 900 block of Llano.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 900 block of Schneider.

Disorderly conduct/other was reported in the 2500 block of Charles, the police department lobby, and the 300 block of Roberta.

Harassment was reported in the police department lobby.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

A violation of alcoholic beverage commission laws was reported in the 500 block of Magnolia.

A call on a possible burglary was received from the 100 block of North Naida.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1800 block of Dogwood.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 500 block of Barnes.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of Roberta. A bicycle valued at \$5 was taken.

Assault was reported at

One Medical Plaza.

Aggravated assault was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive. Shots were reported to have been fired.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1300 block of Garland.

Marvin Monrow Finney III, 29, Lefors, was arrested for no valid driver's license, no valid motor vehicle inspection, and no proof of insurance.

Ira Lee Smith, 46, 1333 Garland, was arrested on warrants for assault and failure to appear, and capias pro fines for fictitious license plate, two counts of failure to maintain insurance, and two counts of no driver's license.

Richard Allen Robles, 35, 408 W. Harvester, was arrested for public intoxication.

Timothy Don Remington, 28, 1008 S. Nelson, was arrested for no driver's license, no insurance, and leaving the scene of an accident.

Eddie Wayne Lawrence, 24, 1133 Juniper, was arrested for failure to appear, speeding, and two counts of no driver's license.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

Saturday, Oct. 1

Jeffrey Gene Caputo, 25, Williamsport, Pa., was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety on a fugitive warrant for a probation violation.

Damian Garza Jr., 33, 1324 Starkweather, was arrested for no insurance, two counts of failure to appear, and two counts of no driver's license.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the weekend period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Oct. 1

1:47 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to the Wal-Mart parking lot on a medical assist.

Sunday, Oct. 2

8:56 a.m. — One unit and four firefighters responded to Loop 171 on a medical assist.

10:50 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center on a standby while a Lifestar helicopter landed.

5:04 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a call in the 1800 block of North Hobart on a gas leak.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the weekend period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Oct. 1

1:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU

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High court begins year with Roberts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chief Justice John Roberts took the Supreme Court bench for the first time Monday, as smiling justices stood and greeted their new leader.

Justice John Paul Stevens, the senior member, wished the 50-year-old Roberts "a long and happy career in our common calling."

Roberts wore a plain black robe, without the gold arm stripes that had been used by his predecessor, William H. Rehnquist. Rehnquist died last month at age 80 after 33 years on the high court, 19 of them as chief justice, and flags in front of the court were at half-staff in his honor.

President Bush, Senate leaders and Roberts' family watched as Roberts repeated the oath he had taken at the White House on Thursday. The events briefly delayed argument sessions, on gasoline taxes and worker pay cases, for the opening day of the court's 2005-06 term.

Roberts descended the court steps and posed for pictures with his family on the court plaza. About 50 anti-abortion demonstrators were in front of the court, singing and praying. One called out to Roberts that they were praying for him.

The ceremony came about an hour after Bush's announcement that he was nominating White House counsel Harriet Miers to replace retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, who had been considered a prospect for O'Connor's seat, addressed the court briefly as part of the ceremony.

Roberts is the court's newest and youngest member, but also its leader.

There were a few chuckles from the

justices as the first session started. Stevens said that Roberts had argued more cases before the court than the other eight justices combined.

During the arguments, however, Roberts was all business, noting when time had expired and asking blunt questions of lawyers. At one point he sounded exasperated with a lawyer, snapping "That's my question."

"It will take some time to figure out what the dynamics of the court are," said Andrew Koppelman, a law professor at Northwestern University. "It will take them awhile to get to know each other."

Complicating matters for the term is the uncertain status of O'Connor, who had expected to be off the court by now so she would have more time to care for her ill husband. She announced her retirement July 1, but the chief justice's death delayed the plans.

Her retirement starts the day her successor is confirmed, which is expected to take at least two months, if not longer.

O'Connor, a 75-year-old moderate and key swing voter, will continue participating in cases. Because rulings take months to prepare, her votes would not count if she retires before they are done.

"O'Connor could be on the court all term and end up casting deciding votes," Koppelman said.

The Supreme Court meets for nine months. Its first week will be shorter than usual.

On Monday, the justices were hearing two cases, one that asks if companies must pay for workers' time spent changing into protective gear and safety uniforms, and a second that ques-

tions whether states may impose taxes on fuel that is sold on Indian reservations.

Justices were not meeting on Tuesday because of the Jewish holiday Rosh Hashanah.

The two cases Wednesday include a Bush administration appeal over Oregon's physician assisted-suicide law and a case that will clarify how parents of disabled children can contest education services.

Some significant cases also will be argued later this year, including a review of a parental notification law from New Hampshire and an appeal involving a claim that an anti-abortion group's protests violated federal racketeering laws.

Another high-profile case asks if the government can withhold federal funds from colleges that bar military recruiters in protest of the Pentagon's "don't ask, don't tell" policy for gays.

Parents support group formed

A support group for parents of children with addiction problems will begin meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays at the Pampa High School Library.

The first meeting will be held on Tuesday. Concerned parents with children of any age are invited to come.

Contact Lesley Gershmel at 669-4800 ext. 124 if you have any questions.

Emergency Court

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unit responded to the 2800 block of Charles and transported a patient to BSA.

1:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1900 block of Christine and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

6:29 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the rodeo grounds for standby.

8:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the rodeo grounds and was canceled en route.

7:27 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to BSA.

10:54 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to BSA.

1:32 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of Magnolia and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:01 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of North Russell. No transport was made.

5:42 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of Graham and transported a patient to PRMC.

Sunday, Oct. 2

8:53 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Loop 171 and transported a patient to PRMC.

12:41 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Crawford and Prairie. No transport was made.

1:27 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of Prairie and transported a patient to PRMC.

2:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the rodeo grounds. No transport was made.

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versial cases in recent years, casting deciding votes that upheld the 1973 ruling that established the constitutional right to an abortion, sustaining affirmative action programs and limiting the application of the death penalty.

Within hours of Bush's announcement in the Oval Office, Miers headed for the Capitol to begin courtesy calls on the senators who will vote on her nomination.

Senate Majority Leader

Deaths

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Survivors include his parents, a sister, maternal grandmother, and paternal grandparents.

Michell Conrad was born Oct. 1, 1969 in Grand Prairie. She was a 1989 graduate of Pampa High School and worked for Gray County Farm Bureau for 10 years. She was involved in 4-H and Pampa Optimist Club.

Michell and Brian Conrad were both members of Briarwood Full Gospel Church. They were married on Jan. 17, 2003.

Survivors include her mother, Brenda Lamb of Skellytown; her father and stepmother; a brother, Mark Lamb and wife MaryAnn of Pampa; a sister; a stepsister, Kristy Powell and husband David of White Deer; a stepbrother; another stepmother;

Bill Frist, R-Tenn., was first on the list. His welcome was a statement in praise. "With this selection, the president has chosen another outstanding nominee to sit on our nation's highest court," it said.

Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid was complimentary, issuing a statement that said he likes Miers and adding "the Supreme Court would benefit from the addition of a justice who has real experience as a practicing lawyer."

He said he looked forward to the "process which will help the American people learn more about Harriet Miers, and help the Senate

and grandparents.

Zach Doan was born Aug. 20, 1991 in Pampa. He was a freshman at Pampa High School, where he was involved in cross country, track and wrestling. He was also active in Pampa Optimist baseball and was a member of Briarwood Full Gospel Church. His interests also included hunting, playing golf and showing livestock. He won awards in 4-H air rifle competitions.

Survivors include his father and stepmother, Johnny and Jen Doan of Skellytown; grandparents, including Brenda Lamb of Skellytown, Max Doan and Garold and Linda Bromlow, all of Pampa; and stepgrandparents, including Dan Adams of Skellytown.

Services for the homicide victims will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church, with burial at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

determine whether she deserves a lifetime seat on the Supreme Court."

Reid had personally recommended that Bush consider Miers for nomination, according to several sources familiar with the president's consultations with individual senators. Of equal importance as the White House maps its confirmation campaign is that the Nevada Democrat had warned Bush that the selection of any of several other contenders could trigger a bruising partisan struggle.

At the same time, Republican strategists who spoke on condition of anonymity said they would have to work hard to assure the support of some of the more conservative Republicans in the Senate. All 55 GOP senators voted to confirm Roberts.

Miers, whom Bush called a trailblazer for women in the legal profession, said she was humbled by the nod.

Hank

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Hank the Cowdog is a national character and has appeared in a 30-minute animated episode on "CBS Storybreak." The stories and tape were named best children's audio books of 1993 by the American Audiobook Sellers Association.

Erickson has also established himself as a speaker and conferences and banquets throughout the United States and Canada.

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Viewpoints

Decline of unions: Unhappy days for labor

Organized labor is a wisp of what it once was — economically and politically. It now represents 12.5 percent of all wage and salary workers, compared with 20.1 percent in 1983. And in the private job market, only 8 percent of workers are union members today, down from about twice that in 1983. In the public sector, 36 percent of government workers — mainly teachers, firefighters and police officers — are unionized.

To mark Labor Day weekend, I called Morgan O. Reynolds, an economist at the U.S. Department of Labor in 2001-2002 and a retired Texas A&M University economics professor. Reynolds, who wrote the "Labor Unions" entry in

the Fortune Encyclopedia of Economics, lives in Hot Springs Village, Ark. He is an energetic skeptic of the official events of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and calls himself a "9/11 dissident."

Q: Is this going to be a particularly sad Labor Day for the union movement in America?

A: It gets sadder every Labor Day, it seems. Organized labor — and I take some credit for this — continues to wane in numerical membership, strength and in most every other index. I notice that we have got some major unions splitting off from the AFL-CIO, allegedly in disgust with John Sweeney's efforts to organize the unorganized. The

reputation of organized labor continues to erode and their day has passed. That seems to be a conventional opinion in the workplace.

Q: What has caused the decline of labor union power and importance?

A: The No. 1 thing, of course, is the transformation of the American economy from an industrial employment and occupation mix to a largely service economy and increasingly white collar — a majority of the work force is actually in professional, managerial and related sup-

port occupations. But to get to the brass tacks here, unions ultimately depend on either the threat of violence or actual violence to succeed. Those methods have to organize most of an industry or an occupation before you can get sustainable wage gains, so-called monopoly business about persuasion and selling and using nonviolent methods ultimately can't work in a dynamic and competitive economy, much less one that is increasingly global. So you've got a lot of forces working against organized

labor, but you also have problems within organized labor, where they haven't done a good job.

Q: What's your dictionary definition of a labor union?

A: It's a cartel — an organized cartel. It's a group of workers, usually led by specialists, in organized labor who try to exclude outsiders — that means the scabs; the intruders. It's a special kind of cartel. It's a labor cartel. And it has one advantage that ordinary product market cartels don't, and that is unions can use violence — at least when it's countenanced by the authorities. That's why the reaction of law enforcement is very important — and the courts.

Q: Do teachers and public service unions today have

too many government-granted privileges that give them power they might not have otherwise?

A: Yeah. That's a matter of political opinion, but my opinion is yes. The public sector provides pluses and minuses from an organized labor point of view. The biggest plus is that government is insulated from any kind of direct competition, so if you raise wages and benefits within the government sector, the bill can be passed on to pliant taxpayers. The disadvantage is that organized labor is in a contest of wills and violence against the government, and the government is ultimately going to win that one.



Bill Steigerwald
Columnist

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Oct. 3, the 276th day of 2005. There are 89 days left in the year. Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year, begins at sunset.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 3, 1863, President Lincoln declared the last Thursday in November Thanksgiving Day.

On this date:

In 1226, St. Francis of Assisi, founder of the Franciscan order, died; he was canonized in 1228.

In 1929, the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes formally changed its name to the Kingdom of Yugoslavia.

In 1941, Adolf Hitler declared in a speech in Berlin that Russia had been "broken" and would "never rise again."

'Ability: the art of getting credit for all the home runs somebody else hits.'

— Casey Stengel
American baseball manager (1891-1975)

In 1942, President Roosevelt established the Office of Economic Stabilization.

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. troops cracked the Siegfried Line north of Aachen, Germany.

In 1951, the New York Giants captured the National League

pennant in game three by a score of 5-4 as third baseman Bobby Thomson hit a three-run homer off the Brooklyn Dodgers' Ralph Branca in the "shot heard 'round the world."

In 1955, 50 years ago, "Captain Kangaroo" and "The Mickey Mouse Club" premiered on CBS and ABC, respectively.

In 1962, astronaut Wally Schirra blasted off from Cape Canaveral aboard the Sigma 7 on a nine-hour flight.

In 1981, Irish nationalists at the Maze Prison near Belfast, Northern Ireland, ended seven months of hunger strikes that had claimed 10 lives.

In 1990, West Germany and East Germany ended 45 years of postwar division, declaring the creation of a new unified country.

Ten years ago: The jury in the O.J. Simpson murder trial announced its verdicts, finding the former football star not guilty of the 1994 slayings of his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and Ronald Goldman. (Simpson was later found liable in a civil trial).

Five years ago: In their first debate of the 2000 race for the White House, Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush clashed over tax cuts, Medicare prescription drug benefits and campaign finance.

One year ago: National security adviser Condoleezza Rice, interviewed on ABC's "This Week" program, defended her characterization of Saddam Hussein's nuclear capabilities in the months before the Iraq invasion.

THE SLOW, SURE DEATH OF INCENTIVE...



Storms spell bad luck in spades for Bush

If I were superstitious, and if I were inclined to personify impersonal forces of nature, then I might suggest Mother Nature is ticked off at President George Bush for neglecting the environment. Back-to-back storms aimed squarely at the nation's oil and refinery facilities are likely to do more damage to the president's popularity than 2,000 Democratic speeches.

It's ironic. What area of the country besides New Orleans has so many offshore rigs and onshore refineries? The answer is the Galveston-Houston area. But I'm not superstitious, and I try not to personify impersonal forces. The storms are merely a coincidence. For George Bush, however, they represent bad luck in spades.

Chaos and anarchy still reign in Iraq, where the

American death rate has now exceeded 1,900. The parliamentary election in Afghanistan is a farce, and the people apparently know it, for the turnout is lower than expected. Some 5,800 candidates are asking a nearly 100 percent illiterate population to vote for them. What will they vote for? A picture?

The truth is that democracy is a long time away for Afghanistan, which is run by the same warlords — mass murderers and drug dealers — whom we bribed to fight the Taliban in lieu of using our own soldiers.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency fiasco didn't help the president one bit. Here the administration

has been yakking for years about homeland security, and the first major disaster shows the government unprepared and incompetent to deal with it. The economy has remained flat to shaky, and American jobs are still being bled off overseas.

Government spending under Bush has risen 33 percent, and the federal deficits are

piling up.

If he were aware of any of this, he'd be worried, but I'm not sure he is. He seems to have a remarkable ability to remain unaware. My daughter said recently that of all the presidents she's seen in her young life, Mr. Bush shows the least signs of wear and worry. He looks as smug and as healthy now as he did

six years ago.

That's OK. The rest of us have plenty to worry about. There seems to be neither an easy way out of Iraq nor any end to the Bush administration's desire to pick fights with other countries in the region. The administration would slap sanctions on Iran in a New York minute if it could, but Russia and China are sending the message that such a move would be a bad idea. Either one of them could veto it, if it ever got to the United Nations Security Council. Since Russia has a huge investment in Iran's nuclear program and China lusts for Iranian oil, I'd say the Iranians don't have much to worry about as far as the U.N. goes.

In the meantime, more than the environment is being neglected by this

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Higher education needs some fine-tuning

Two years ago, the Texas Legislature passed a bill authorizing Texas universities to set their own tuition rates. While many institutions were quick to institute enormous rate hikes, only one four-year college examined by state auditors bothered to use a legally required formula to identify students who should have been given priority for financial aid.

To cushion expected tuition increases for middle-class families who don't qualify for most forms of financial aid, lawmakers told universities to give special consideration to students whose only assistance likely would be student loans.

According to the audit,

only Texas Tech University performed that calculation. That left more than 62,000 students at four-year universities without financial assistance for which they should have been first in line.

This is shameful, considering the staggering tuition hikes that students have been forced to pay since tuition deregulation. The University of Houston raised tuition 40 percent, Texas A&M went up 33 percent, Texas Tech increased its rate 34 percent, and the cost of classes at the University of Texas at

Austin soared by 54 percent. Auditors also determined that universities could hold down tuition increases over the short term, even if their surplus funds were not sufficient to avoid increases over the long run. It's well understood that Texas' largest universities have fixed costs that have increased faster than the rate of inflation, and that economies of scale that work in the widget industry do not hold true in the realm of college education. Tuition increases are inevitable, too, when the state fails to allo-

cate sufficient funding or drastically slashes school budgets.

However, public institutions of higher education have a duty to ensure both that they maintain quality programs to meet the educational needs of future Texas generations, and that they do their utmost to mitigate financial obstacles for families too well off for need-based grants, but not rich enough to pay college costs out of pocket.

If the schools do not do a better job in this regard, the Legislature should fine-tune higher education law to make sure schools set tuition rates responsibly and apportion financial aid fairly.

Texas Thoughts

Houston Chronicle

Idaho lawmakers head to Texas to see how capitol is done

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Legislative leaders were headed to Austin, Texas, on Monday to look at that state's solution to capitol space problems: A network of underground meeting rooms.

Adding to Idaho's capitol building using underground or "garden level" rooms would save the state money and protect the historic building's appearance, said Sen. Brad Little, R-Emmett, a member of the Legislative Capitol Restoration Task Force.

"The general consensus of the committee is we think this is a good idea," Little said of the underground expansion. "We just want to make sure we're prudently

spending the taxpayer's money." Idaho's long-running capitol restoration project could gain some momentum this fall as the task force — a

group of lawmakers in leadership positions — come up with a plan to repair the century-old building and add some badly needed meeting space.

Labor

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Q: What's the most socially damaging myth about the benefits of unions?

A: The myth is that privileges rendered to organized labor will benefit all of labor. That is just a myth. I tried to explain this in the Fortune Encyclopedia of Economics. If you raise wages and benefits and therefore the cost of labor in the unionized sector, fewer will be employed — that's the law of demand. And those who are disemployed or otherwise never employed there seek employment in the nonunion sector, and that has depressed their wages below what it otherwise would have been. Furthermore, because of the misallocation of labor and capital, the whole society is less efficient.

Q: Why did W.E.B. DuBois call unions the greatest enemy of the working class?

A: Well, he was an advocate of improving the condition of black people. And, of course, African-Americans suffered enormously by union barriers to entry. Unions have always been especially well-organized among white native workers and have been the enemy of immigrants and women and blacks and other so-called interlopers.

Q: If you had to persuade the staunchest union man or woman that unions are not economically or morally virtuous, what would you say to them?

A: Well, they are not economically or morally virtuous in the present and historical form. We could imagine non-

violent, non-threatening organizations to aid labor. But certainly in the form of the Anglo-American aggressive union, we need only look at history. We don't need much economic theory to see how they can't compete — and we're in a competitive world. There is nothing wrong with that. I am an advocate of competition. Most of us are in our role as consumers. We want competition for our dollars and we want high value for our dollars. We want choice and we want freedom, and that's what we ought to want really in our role as producers as well. Here's some wisdom from the great gymnastics coach Bella Caroli: "No competition? No progress." And what we need is progress. I think some union members are receptive to that. Others know it, but they cling to their current privileges. They fight change. But change has been overtaking organized labor and will continue to overtake it. It's a matter of the dinosaur story.

Q: Will things only get worse for organized labor?

A: Yes. There's no way out here that can work, given their approach to the labor market. The only thing that can really turn the tables, at least temporarily, is government intervention on their behalf. You could go to a more Canadian-type thing or a European thing, which would impede the ability of management to resist union organization. You can have various kinds of laws, but the ability of unions to influence the political outcome, while still very potent, doesn't seem sufficient to hasten such a change. It's hard to see that politics would change in a pro-organized labor direction.

—Bill Steigerwald is a columnist at the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review.

Bush

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administration. Fiscal responsibility is being neglected. Those deficits and the massive federal debt they contribute to will bite us badly one day. Despite the tax cuts, we still have a cumbersome and irrational tax code that needs to be revised from one end to the other.

The president's energy bill was long on subsidies to big oil, which doesn't need them, and short on any kind of rational approach to the coming shortage of oil. Just in

our cars, we burn nearly 11 percent of the world's oil every year, or so some expert claims. Well, higher prices, aggravated by the storm damage, will help curb that appetite some. Higher prices for natural gas and heating oil will certainly cause hardships this winter.

The president is probably smug and happy because he doesn't have to run for re-election. He won twice to make up for his dad's loss, and he knocked off Saddam Hussein, whom he considered an enemy of his dad's. He's cut taxes for his rich friends and provided subsidies for his buddies in the oil business. What more could he want? He says he doesn't read, so presumably he doesn't care a flip what the historians will write about him.

Events calendar

Pampa Community Concert Association

Presents "Live on Stage" 2005-06 concert series includes the following programs: Edgar Cruz, guitarist, Oct. 23; Susan Egan, Broadway vocalist, Feb. 18, 2006; St. Petersburg Classic Ballet, March 4, 2006; and The Coats, vocal harmonic band, April 30, 2006. Additional concerts, featuring with other performers, have been scheduled in area towns. For more information on any of these events or a complete area concert schedule, contact Ronnie Holmes, PCCA president, at 665-2631. PCCA memberships are available.

Armstrong County Museum will host a 3 p.m. ribbon-cutting Tuesday at the historic home of Charles and Mary Ann Goodnight at the community of Goodnight. The event is being held to kick-off the restoration project at the 117-year-old Victorian home.

Kwahadi Kiva Indian Museum in Amarillo will play host to the "20th annual Indian Summer performances" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Dinner is available. For more information, call the museum at (806) 335-3175.

The Texas Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., Oct. 10 and 19, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; and 12:30-4 p.m., Oct. 10, City Hall, Canadian.

Golden Spread Gem & Mineral Society's annual "Jewelry, Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show and Sale" will be staged Oct. 15-16 at Amarillo Civic Center. The event will include working

demonstrations and a Wheel of Fortune for kids. Exhibitors from across America will be on hand with minerals, jewelry, wirewrapping, faceting, fossils and gem stones. Door prizes will be given away will be given away hourly with a grand prize drawing to be held at 5 p.m. Oct. 16. Show hours will be 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Oct. 15 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 16. Admission donation will be \$2.

The local Girl Scout council is seeking adult volunteers to help out with the program. To find out more, call (806) 8740-3372 or 1-800-687-8740.

Just Between Friends in Amarillo will be supporting the Eveline Rivers Christmas Project by collecting donations of gently used winter coats or stuffed animals. For more information or to make a donation, call (806) 355-4256.


The reunion of the USS Cascade AD-16 is planned for Oct. 9-16 at

Branson, Mo. For more information, contact Lyle "Preacher" Burchette, P.O. Box 566, Hollister, MO 65673, (417) 334-5627; or Bob Croghan, Sr., 7827 Cassia Court, St. Louis, MO 63123, (314) 843-6615.

SW USA Aleutian Island Veterans will reunite Nov. 9-11 at Laughlin, Nev. All service branches, veterans, and guests' spouses are welcome at the upcoming gathering. For more information or to obtain a registration blank, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Al King, POB 130327, Sunrise, FL 33313.

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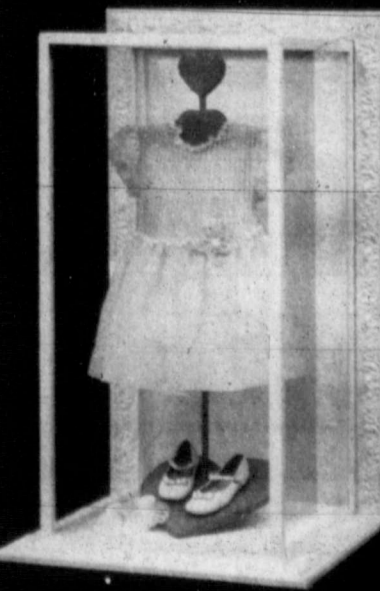
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I knew his feelings on interracial marriage when I married Kenny, but how long should a 45-year-old woman let a parent's disapproval stand in the way of her own happiness? -- **DISOWNED DAUGHTER IN VIRGINIA**

DEAR DAUGHTER: At age 45, you made a mature decision. You knew when you married your husband that there would be a price tag for your happiness, and this is it. Face it: Your father is a racist whose prejudice is more important to him than your happiness. Please waste no more time hoping he will "mellow." Live your life and concentrate on your future. Please stop banging on a door that may never open. The next move, if there is to be one, is up to your father.

DEAR ABBY: A friend of many years is terminally ill, with only a few days left on this Earth. When I heard the news, I immediately rushed to see her. We hadn't seen each other for about two years because of an argument. The argument seems so trivial now. Because of it, we missed two precious years together.

I feel fortunate that we got to talk and make amends, and she knows how much I love her. We cried the moment we saw each other.

I thank God I got this opportunity. So many times we don't have the chance. Please remind everyone that they really do need to say "I love you" today, because one day there will not be a tomorrow.

I'm glad I got to say everything I needed to her, as well as goodbye. My heart is aching. She's taking a part of me with her. We always thought we'd be here for each other all of our lives. I can't believe I have to carry on without her. -- **LOST SOUL IN SYRACUS**

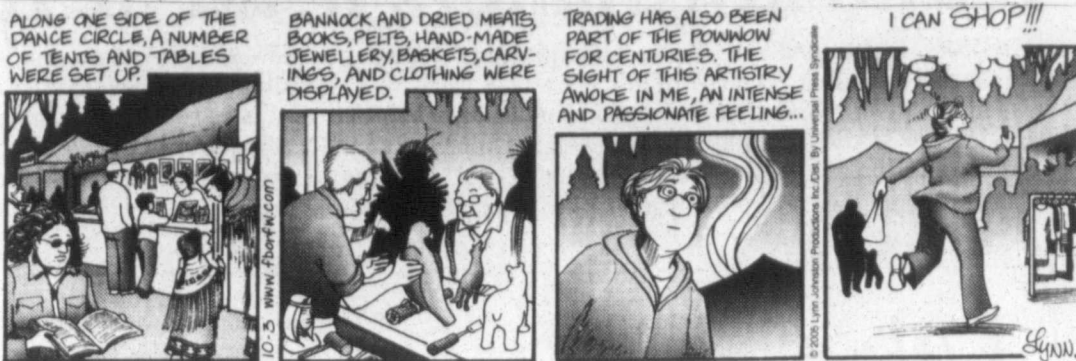
DEAR LOST SOUL: Thank you for an important letter, and for the reminder that sometimes it takes a tragedy to remind us that life is so fragile and to put our priorities in order.

When carrying a grudge takes over someone's life, sometimes the most healing thing a person can do is simply forgive and move on.

In the Jewish religion, in the 10 days between Rosh Hashanah (the Jewish New Year) and Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement), the faithful are commanded to ask forgiveness from anyone they may have wronged or offended during the year. In Judaism, God cannot forgive the sins a person has committed against another unless the sinner has asked that person for forgiveness. If the injured party rejects the apology three times -- and by the way, in the Old Testament it says it's a sin to carry a grudge -- the wrongdoer is then released from the obligation to ask forgiveness.

This year, the 10 days to ask forgiveness begin today.

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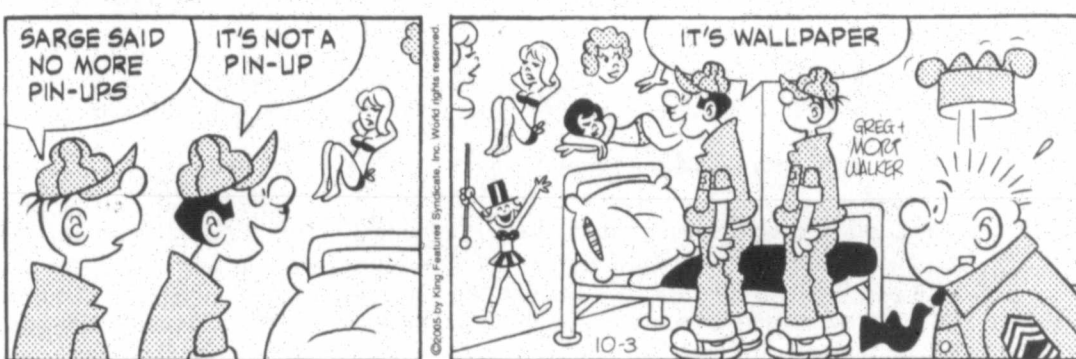
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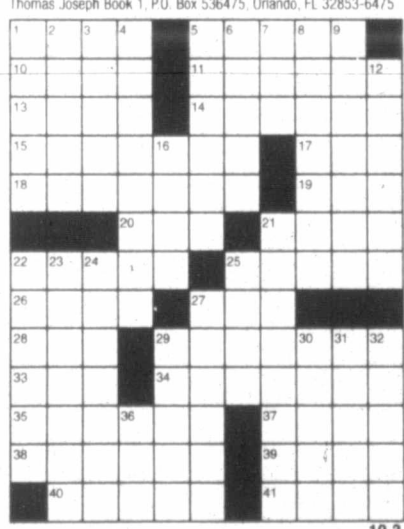
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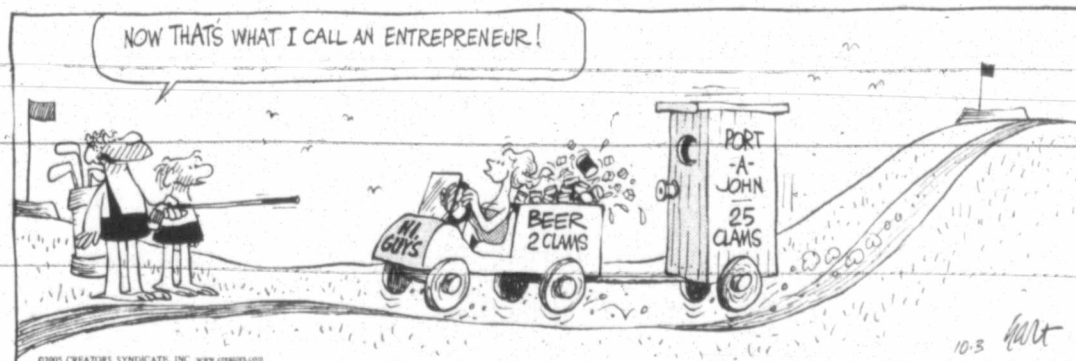
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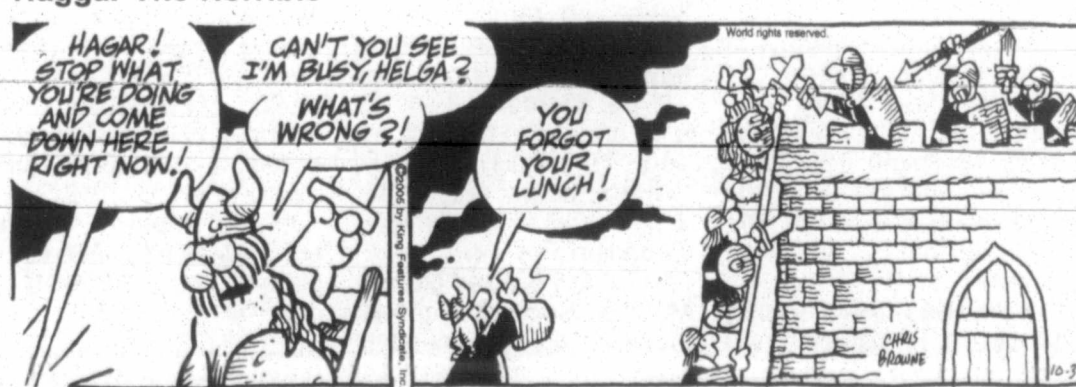


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Fish fight erupting in Congress over imports of Asian carp

WASHINGTON (AP) — A North-South fish fight is erupting in Congress over legislation to ban imports of Asian carp, a critter that southern fish farmers depend on to control parasites, but which officials of Great Lakes states fear will wreak havoc on the lakes' ecosystems.

Fish farmers in states including Arkansas and Mississippi imported the voracious species from China. It eats snails, and that helps the fish farmers control parasites.

Some carp have escaped the farms and made their way north along the Mississippi River and its tributaries, and could soon be knocking on the Great Lakes' doors. An electric barrier south of Chicago, which gives the fish a non-lethal bolt, is designed to prevent them from entering Lake Michigan. Asian carp, which often leap out of the water, can grow to more than 100 pounds.

Three years ago, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service proposed banning the impor-

tion of black carp, a species of Asian carp that Southern fish farmers use, but the agency has not acted on its proposal.

"The time for talking and reviewing and studying is over," said Rep. Mark Green, a Wisconsin Republican who sponsored legislation to ban importation and interstate transfer of Asian carp. "I don't want us to wait until it's too late."

Sen. Mike DeWine, R-Ohio, has sponsored companion legislation. Shawn Finely, a Fish and

Wildlife legislative specialist, said the agency has to take into account the aquaculture industry in finalizing the rule.

"We are taking our time," she said. "We feel we need to look at the environmental and economic impacts."

Hugh Warren, executive director of the Catfish Farmers of America, said there is no other way to control the parasite problems than using black carp.

"We've investigated other kinds of fish, but we haven't found a successful substi-

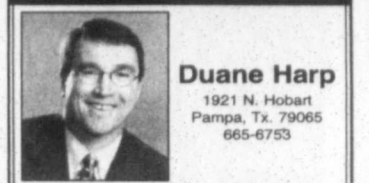
tute," said Warren, a catfish farmer from Greenwood, Miss. "If there were, we would use it."

Jay Rendall, invasive species program coordinator at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, said the Asian carp species are voracious eaters of mollusks, plankton and vegetation.

"If you put them altogether, they're consuming most of the food chain," he said. "If we get them in large numbers, they would reduce the plankton that other fish need."

The Great Lakes region, the world's largest surface freshwater system, is already battling other exotic species, such as zebra mussels.

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lessly to make that happen. Unfortunately, neither of "Amy's" birth parents was willing to give up their drug addictions to try to get her



back.

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resources to meet "Amy's" needs and found ways to access those services.

She has sought what would be the very best for "Amy" at every turn. Her greatest desire is for "Amy" to have a stable, permanent home that will be able to meet all of her needs now and in the future. She looks forward to the day "Amy" will start school, make new friends, and experience the things other kids do.

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Retiree devotes time to town's history

CAIRO, Ill. (AP) — At Illinois' southern tip where the Ohio and Mississippi rivers meet, this small community's riverfront is more like an Old West ghost town with crumbling facades and boarded-up windows than the bustling port it once was.

But Cairo's heyday isn't over for 81-year-old Russell Ogg, a retiree who spends many mornings guiding tours through a three-story limestone museum chronicling this outpost's prouder times.

Without it, Ogg admits few outsiders would know all that went on here — from its setting as Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's headquarters in the early years of the Civil War before he thrust Union troops into the South to the steamboats that once helped make it a vital transportation nexus or the floods the town fought.

That's why Ogg has volunteered to tell people about it.

"He has a love of the community and our heritage," town librarian Monica Smith said. "That's what keeps him going."

Still, the museum housed in the 133-year-old Custom House makes little mention of Cairo's warts, including public lynchings in the early 1900s or a race riot that erupted in 1967 and fueled the withdrawal of employers and people from this Alexander County town, long among the state's poorest communities.

"We don't dwell on the racial prob-

lem because it's pretty well healed," said Ogg, who lives in the nearby town of Unity. "It should never have happened on either side, so why fight it?"

The city, which had 15,200 residents in 1920 but now counts a population of just 3,600, is trying to capitalize on its past. A glossy promotional leaflet available at the museum claims "Cairo, despite decades of decline and depression, remains one of the most fascinating cities in the state."

It's that fascination that Ogg wants to pass on to the 4,000 or so visitors who come each year to the museum, which gets by on donations and grants.

"Russell does spend a lot of time there. He's been an invaluable resource not only for the museum but for the people who go there," says Barbara Wilson, editor of the weekly Cairo Citizen newspaper. "He can answer questions that someone else who gives tours might not."

Ogg's trivia might include reciting an observer's noting that in 1866 two hours couldn't pass without a steamer pulling up to unload goods along the world's largest floating wharf in Cairo, by then a major inland port. Two decades later, combined river and rail shipments — evaluated at \$60 million — gave Cairo the nation's highest per-capita commercial valuation.

By the 1920s, Ogg said, Cairo "was the hub of commerce" thanks to rails and rivers before its importance waned as the nation turned to interstate high-

ways and air travel.

The Custom House itself once faced extinction in the early 1980s until Smith recruited Ogg's wife, Louise, for a commission that saved it.

Built for \$225,000, the Romanesque building was the work of government architect A.B. Mullett, who oversaw design and construction of more than 40 federal buildings across America.

"I think it should have been saved just for the architecture, if nothing else," Louise Ogg said.

Inside the front entrance, beyond the post office boxes representing the city's status as the nation's third-busiest post office in the 1860s, there's a wooden phone booth from the late 1800s.

Exhibits include a 1920s nurse's kit, the desk Grant used during his time here, a hand-operated Cairo fire wagon from 1865, a scale model and artifacts of the Civil War-era USS Cairo gunboat, and a historic Cairo popcorn wagon.

There's also a Lewis and Clark display, honoring the explorers who spent five days here before heading north up the Mississippi for the launch of their famed westward exploration two centuries ago.

The museum has a steam-driven elevator, dating to 1892 but unapproved for use now, so visitors must hike the steps to the second floor to see the art gallery and theme rooms — one featuring old war uniforms and others resembling a country general store.

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Alan King, right, CEO of Pampa Regional Medical Center, recently presented United Way Executive Administrator Katrina Bigham, center, and United Way Fund Drive Chairperson Denise Daves a check in the amount of \$1,261. The donation was raised through the Labor Day Chautauqua Fun Run & 5K event sponsored annually by the medical center.

UT officials take aim at welcoming students of color

By LIZ AUSTIN
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — It's the little things that make Brandelyn Franks feel uncomfortable at the University of Texas at Austin.

Things like walking into a class of 400 students and having the only black face. Or getting sideways glances from teachers and classmates when something racially controversial is said. Or seeing the same handful of people at every diversity forum at the school.

"I don't necessarily think that the university is very inviting, although they try to make like they are," said the 21-year-old history major, who's in her fourth of five years.

President Larry Faulkner has heard those concerns, and last year called for sweeping changes to make the state's flagship university a more welcoming place for students of color.

Among the changes was the recent hiring of Greg Vincent, the new vice provost for inclusion and cross-cultural understanding, who's working to attract minority students and professors and make those already here feel welcome.

Vincent knows he could face a challenging task at the 50,000-student school, where less than one in five students is black or Hispanic, where vandals egged a Martin Luther King Jr. statue and where fraternities in recent years held parties depicting blacks in Jim Crow stereotypes.

He blames a number of factors for the university's low minority enrollment, from a 1996 federal court ruling that struck down affirmative action in Texas for several years to what he calls the once-segregated university's "legacy of exclusion."

"There are some communities in Texas where UT is not seen as a completely open door," Vincent said. "I think we're doing some very tangible things to change that, but unfortunately that's still the case."

Among Vincent's first priorities is breaking down real and perceived barriers that discourage minority teenagers from applying. He wants school officials to visit predominantly black and Hispanic high schools more often, and to build relationships with the middle schools that feed into them.

"I want to make this a place of aspiration ... a place where students want to come as opposed to a place where there's this feeling like maybe, 'Is this place for me?'" he said.

Sean Watkins, a 2004 graduate with a degree in African-American studies and history, said Vincent will have to persuade black and Hispanic teens that the

university is interested in giving them a world-class education and not just in boosting minority enrollment.

"While they may have good intentions that their minority enrollment increases ... they need make sure that the way they communicate that is positive or proper," said Watkins, who ministers to students as a staff member for a campus religious group called InterVarsity Christian Fellowship.

Take the statues of Robert E. Lee, Jefferson Davis and other prominent Confederate figures that are displayed on the South Mall, a prime gathering place for students.

"What does that say to your African-American students?" Watkins said. "These men fought to make sure I would not be a student at this university, that I would remain a slave."

A panel of students, faculty and staff that Faulkner assembled to study racial tensions at the university has recommended moving the statues to another location on campus.

Omar Ochoa, the first Latino to serve as the student body president, said there are some troubling things around campus but he's confident changes can be made. "In no way do I want this university to be pictured or painted as an overtly racist organization, because I don't think that's what it is," he said.

Ochoa said administrators should back up their verbal commitment to diversity by requiring undergraduates to take courses in multiculturalism, just like they're required to study history or science. The course requirement and the creation of Vincent's job were among dozens of recommendations made by the panel Faulkner created.

The campus probably will become more diverse now that the university is once again considering applicants' race in admissions decisions. In 2003, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that race could be a factor in the process as long as it wasn't the only factor.

Of the 6,938 entering freshmen this fall, 5.1 percent are black, 18 percent are Hispanic, and 55.5 percent are white compared with last fall when 4.5 percent were black, 16.9 percent were Hispanic and 57.4 percent were white.

Vincent wouldn't set a target minority enrollment number but said he expects to see significant progress in that area in the next three to five years. He believes the student body and faculty roster will look dramatically different in a decade.

"If you get rid of the barriers," he said, "the numbers will take care of themselves."

FBI cases decrease

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of criminal cases opened by the FBI has dropped by nearly half since 2000, a reflection of the bureau's shift toward stopping terrorist attacks, the Justice Department's inspector general said today.

The decline was steepest in drug investigations and extended to organized crime, bank robberies, civil rights, health care fraud, corporate fraud and public corruption, Inspector General Glenn A. Fine said in a 194-page audit, which was censored because it contained sensitive law enforcement information.

FBI Director Robert Mueller ordered a reorganization of the bureau to make counterterrorism its top priority following the Sept. 11 attacks.

Among the FBI's traditional criminal investigations, only gang cases increased, Fine said. The report looked at cases opened and the deployment of agents in the 2000 government spending year and in 2004.

The FBI opened 62,782 criminal investigations in 2000 and 34,451 last year, a drop of 45 percent, Fine said. Drug cases declined by 70 percent, he said.

FEATURE STORY BOX

Cost of sinking ship up \$10 million

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — The Navy's cost of sinking the retired aircraft carrier USS Oriskany as an artificial reef has increased from \$2.8 million to \$12.73 million due to delays in obtaining a permit from the Environmental Protection Agency.

The 888-foot long carrier, a combat veteran of the Korean and Vietnam wars, would be the largest ship ever purposely sunk as an artificial reef if environmental issues can be overcome.

"No matter what you try to do, it's just red tape after red tape after red tape, and it never ends," said Paul Redman, president of the Pensacola Charter Boat Association, which envisions the wreck as boon for fishing and diving.

"With all the money we've sunk into this thing, we probably could have built three replicas out of clean

steel," Redman said. "It might be funny if there weren't so much money involved."

Part of the cost escalation has come from towing the Oriskany back and forth between Texas and Pensacola, where it is planned for sinking in the Gulf of Mexico about 25 miles offshore.

The Navy initially set the sinking for last year and then the date was pushed back to earlier this year. In anticipation of that schedule, the ship was towed to Pensacola in December from Corpus Christi, Texas, where it had been partially cleaned of contaminants.

When the permitting delays continued into the summer, the carrier was returned to the Navy Reserve Fleet facility at Beaumont, Texas, to ride out the hurricane season. It had been stored at Beaumont from 1999

through 2004.

The target date for sinking now is May.

"I don't think the Navy expected in their wildest dreams it would be this difficult," said retired Vice Adm. Jack Fetterman, who was instrumental in luring the Oriskany to Pensacola.

Fetterman, president and CEO of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation, said the Navy and EPA each have contributed to the delays. He remained optimistic the sinking will take place because the government now has too much invested in the project.

Navy and EPA officials say they are being cautious because the Oriskany is the first of many retired warships that would be sunk as reefs if the environmental issues can be resolved.

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Sports Day

DRAWING A BLANK

Even I can be at a loss for

My column. I am given two opportunities every week to opine openly and honestly on issues — sport and non-sport — that impact us in some way. Topics I hope interest you. Even events in my life and yours that might otherwise go unnoticed.

Michael J. Stevens
Sports Editor



I have written about athletes of all ages and talent levels. I have commented pro and con on a variety of stories and events. I have offered my two cents on timely issues and offered others that I felt needed to be introduced for open thought and discussion.

The chances I am given twice each week to share honest opinion are normally pleasurable and relaxing to me. I look forward to them.

It is just before midnight Monday. I have been sitting here in the room of our home my wife and I have converted into an office. I have been sitting here since before 9 p.m. This room has become my comfort zone and my sanctuary. It is a haven of creativity that rarely lets me down.

I cannot think of a single thing to write about for Monday's column.

I had some notes, possible subject matter as the weekend approached. I was going to address the anonymous letter I received last week, maybe even take a jab or two at the author. I was going to introduce you to the new intern, Aaron, with a measure of humor of course. I wanted to visit the amazing comeback that allowed the WT Buffs to remain undefeated, and take one more shot at trying to sum up Pampa's outstanding performance in Plainview.

There were a number of things I had to choose from.

When a community loses three of its members in the manner in which Pampa did Friday, it is a loss felt by everyone. It is one of those sobering events that slaps you back into reality and reminds you, you are only human and the ills that may have impacted you — perhaps caused you to be unkind or ugly if only for a moment — are but the blink of an eye and not worth your time.

I'll probably get to the letter. You will eventually meet Aaron. We'll cover district play for Pampa High School and more, just not today.

Raider's defense preserves win over Dallas

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — A game that had been in the Oakland Raiders' control from the start was slowly slipping away.

The Dallas Cowboys were inside the 5 in the final 2 minutes, poised to pull off their third comeback of the season. Then Oakland's defense stepped up.

The Raiders' late stand gave them their first win of the season, beating Dallas 19-13 Sunday behind LaMont Jordan's career-high 126 yards and a score.

"There are a lot of guys on this team that are hungry," defensive end Bobby Hamilton said. "We believe in each other and we were not going to lay down. Every game we have played has come down to the end, and we were not going to let this one slip."

After a 57-yard pass from Drew Bledsoe to Terry Glenn, keyed Dallas' last drive, Tommy Kelly dropped Julius Jones for a 2-yard loss on second down from the 3. Bledsoe followed with incompletions to Keyshawn Johnson and Glenn to turn it over with 1:45 to go.

Jason Witten was open in the end zone on the last play, but Bledsoe said he chose to go toward Glenn's side and didn't see Witten.

"It's a 3-step drop. On a 3-step drop, you don't have a chance to read both sides of the field," Bledsoe said. "On the side I chose to go to, Terry was open enough to make the throw. I just rushed it and didn't hit it."

The Raiders (1-3) won this game with Randy Moss mostly as a decoy, catching four balls for 123 yards and having just one other thrown his way.

The running game responded after getting just 21 yards last week against Philadelphia. Sebastian Janikowski was 4-for-4 on field goals after missing four in the previous three games and the Dallas defense held Julius Jones to 76 yards on 22 carries.

"We were determined to get running yards, especially after being shut down last week," offensive lineman Barry Sims said. "We really wanted to get LaMont going. And you can't go when there's no where to go, so we really wanted to

get some lanes opened up for him."

The Cowboys spent much of the game with two deep safeties to prevent big pass plays to Moss, a strategy Jordan took as a personal challenge.

"I will forever look at it as teams saying we can't run the ball," Jordan said. "I encourage defenses to play that way. If you play two-deep defense against us with the way we're capable of running the ball ... we are going to run the ball down your throat. I think today was a true test of that."

Kerry Collins threw to Moss three times in the opening half, connecting on

a 79-yard pass on the first drive to set up Janikowski's 30-yard field goal and throwing his direction on back-to-back plays to open the second quarter.

Collins finished 13-for-23 for 218 yards, extending his streak without an interception to a career-high 149 passes, dating to last season.

"I definitely didn't play my best game but I didn't turn it over and I made some smart decisions at times that ultimately helped us win the ballgame," Collins said. "The other guys picked me up. LaMont and the other guys up front did an excellent job."

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— Kerry Collins
Quarterback, Oakland Raiders

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Pampa loses to Demonettes Saturday

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Pampa fell to 19-11 (1-3) for the season after losing to Dumas Saturday, 25-13, 25-20, 25-13.

Despite the loss, Pampa head coach Sonia VanGilder likes what she saw, especially in the second match. A match the Lady Harvesters were winning before falling prey to three net calls in a row by the official. At one point, Dumas Coach Jack Wilson was overheard telling the official, "You don't determine the game, the girls do."

Wilson later told VanGilder hers was one of the toughest Pampa teams he has seen.

VanGilder says she is focused on winning in the second round of district matches, noting, "We still have a chance to make the playoffs."

Pampa is back on the court Tuesday when the Lady Harvesters host Caprock. The junior varsity game will begin at 6 p.m. The varsity game will start at 7:30 p.m. The freshmen team will hosts Randall tonight starting at 6 p.m.

Dumas def. Pampa 25-13, 25-20, 25-13

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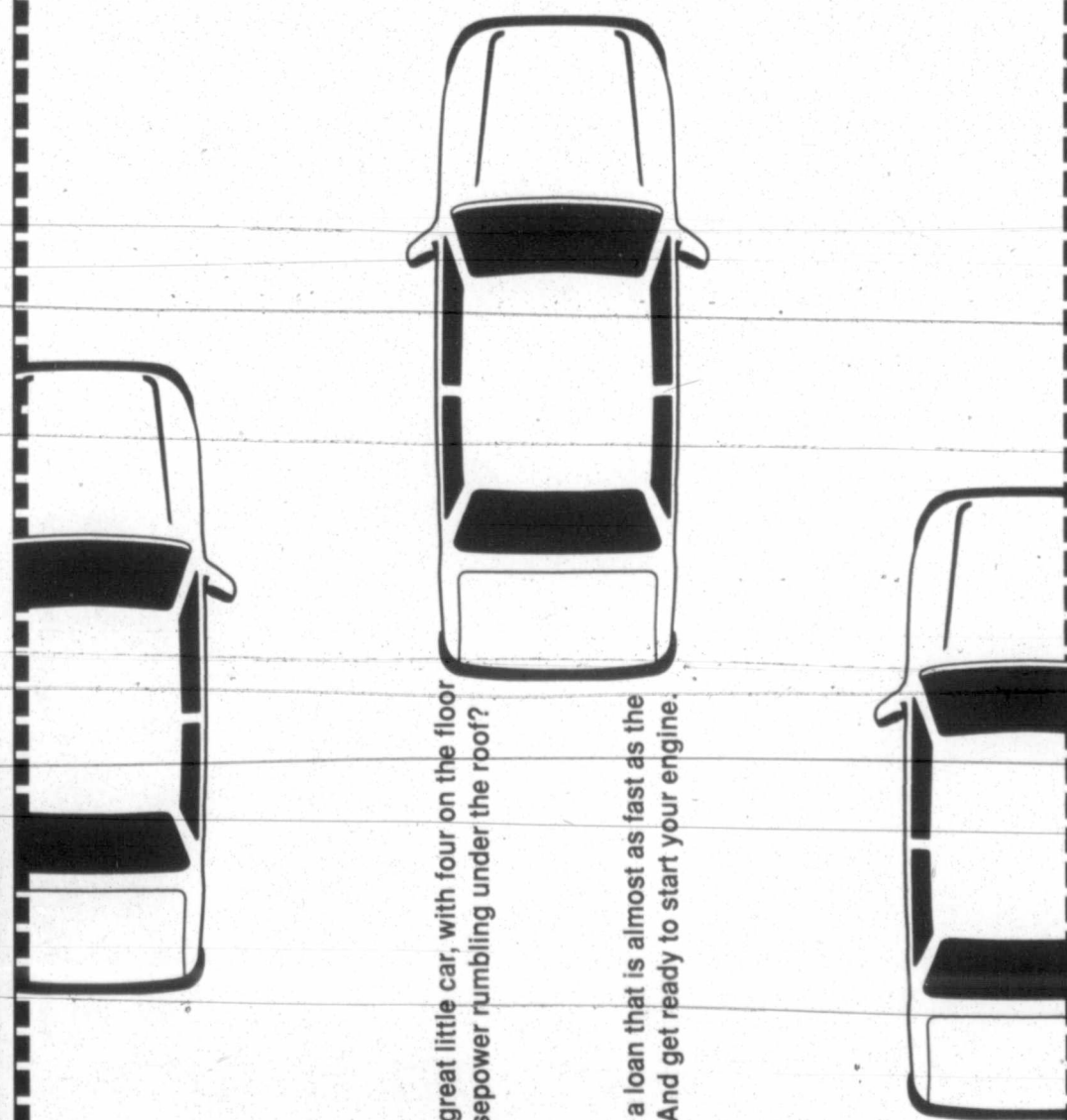
Harvester faithful



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Pampa fans stand and cheer during Friday night's game in Plainview. Pampa lost to the Bulldogs, 41-20, but not before giving the home team plenty to worry about. The Harvesters (1-4, 0-0) travel to Canyon Friday to open the District 3-4A season against Randall.

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Astros clinch NL wild-card berth

HOUSTON (AP) — Roy Oswalt was talking about how proud he was of the Houston Astros' season-long comeback when someone suddenly pulled off his cap from behind and showered him with champagne.

"There's your drink," Roger Clemens told Oswalt after pouring the bottle's contents over his head. "I still owe you dinner."

It was a deserved celebratory gesture for Oswalt, who had just gotten his 20th victory in the game that clinched the NL wild card for the Astros, a 6-4 win over the Chicago Cubs on the last day of regular season Sunday.

"To get 20 is great, but to get to the playoffs is more," Oswalt said. "We've come a long way, especially the way the team pulled together and started playing."

Houston started the season 15-30, then became the first team to make the postseason after falling 15 games under .500 since the 1914 Boston Braves. That's more satisf-

ying for the Astros than last year, when they won their last 18 home games.

"Especially the way we started. We started out slow, and everyone got down on us quick because we didn't quite have the bats we had last year," Oswalt said. "It says a lot about the character of our team."

Oswalt pitched six innings and drove in a run while becoming the first pitcher since 2001-02 with consecutive 20-win seasons.

Just like last season, when manager Phil Garner replaced Jimmy Williams at the All-Star break, the Astros (89-73) waited until the last game to clinch. This time, they didn't have Carlos Beltran or Jeff Kent in the lineup.

But the Astros have Andy Pettitte, Clemens and Oswalt in the starting rotation. And that trio is scheduled to start the first three postseason games. Their rematch of last year's NL division series begins Wednesday in Atlanta.

HIRINGS & FIRINGS

Trammel out in Detroit

DETROIT (AP) — Tigers manager Alan Trammell was fired Monday after three seasons in which he failed to turn around a franchise without a winning record since 1993.

The Tigers went 71-91 this season and were 186-300 in three seasons under Trammell, a former star shortstop for Detroit. He had one year left on his contract.

Detroit lost an AL-record 119 games in his first season as manager, then improved to 72-90 last year, the biggest turnaround in the AL since Baltimore's 33-game improvement from 1988 to 1989.

With a lineup and bullpen that seemed upgraded, the Tigers thought they had a chance to have a winning season in 2005. The Tigers were 42-44 at the All-Star break and 61-62 in late August before losing 29 of their last 39 games.

"You will not find a more dedicated, hardworking and respected individual that cares more about the Tigers and his coaching staff," Tigers president Dave Dombrowski said in a statement. "However, for the Tigers to reach the next level, I feel it is appropriate to make a change at this time."

The Tigers were set back by injuries this year, but Trammell refused to point to them as an excuse. Outfielder Magglio Ordonez missed about half of the season with a hernia, and closer Troy Percival appeared in just 26 games before an elbow injury ended his season in July. Both were hailed as prized free-agent signings before the season.

"Really, I'm OK," the 47-year-old Trammell said last week. "I'm a big boy. I've been through enough that I understand how things are."

Things were much different when Trammell was a player and he helped the Tigers post 11 consecutive winning seasons from 1978-88.

As a 20-year standout in the field and at the plate, he led Detroit to a World Series championship in 1984 and the American League East title in 1987, when he narrowly was beaten out by Toronto's George Bell for AL MVP.

Trammell was a six-time All-Star, four-time Gold Glove and three-time Silver Slugger shortstop.

After he retired in 1996, he was a baseball operations assistant in Detroit for two seasons and was the Tigers' hitting coach in 1999. Then, he moved near his hometown and coached with the San Diego Padres for three seasons.

The Tigers knew Trammell was the popular choice to be their 35th manager on Oct. 9, 2002, and they insisted he was also the right choice. Trammell, Al Kaline and Ty Cobb are the only players to be with the team for at least 20 seasons.

"People don't come to your games to see your manager," Dombrowski said when Trammell was hired. "I can understand why some people will feel that this was based on Alan's popularity here. But really, we could not afford to make this decision based on that, because we need to right this ship."



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Hangin' tough

Senior receiver/linebacker Taylor Fatheree gets some medical attention from PHS Athletic Trainer Stuart Smith Friday night.

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East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	2	1	0	.667	68	51
New England	2	2	0	.500	87	108
Buffalo	1	3	0	.250	48	69
N.Y. Jets	1	3	0	.250	47	73

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	4	0	0	1.000	78	26
Jacksonville	2	2	0	.500	62	64
Tennessee	1	3	0	.250	69	106
Houston	0	3	0	.000	24	65

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	4	0	0	1.000	104	38
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	81	37
Baltimore	1	2	0	.333	30	52
Cleveland	1	2	0	.333	45	64

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	3	1	0	.750	80	68
Kansas City	2	2	0	.500	91	91
San Diego	2	2	0	.500	127	88
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	76	89

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	3	0	0	1.000	43	37
N.Y. Giants	3	1	0	.750	136	98
Philadelphia	3	1	0	.750	112	68
Dallas	2	2	0	.500	88	88

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	4	0	0	1.000	77	45
Atlanta	3	1	0	.750	86	57
New Orleans	2	2	0	.500	68	87
Carolina	1	2	0	.333	71	67

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	1	2	0	.333	52	39
Detroit	1	2	0	.333	36	58
Minnesota	1	3	0	.250	64	107
Green Bay	0	3	0	.000	43	60

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	2	2	0	.500	97	111
Seattle	2	2	0	.500	89	76
Arizona	1	3	0	.250	74	110
San Francisco	1	3	0	.250	76	132

Sunday's Games

New Orleans 19, Buffalo 7.
 N.Y. Giants 44, St. Louis 24
 Washington 20, Seattle 17, OT
 Denver 20, Jacksonville 7
 Indianapolis 31, Tennessee 10
 Cincinnati 16, Houston 10
 Tampa Bay 17, Detroit 13
 San Diego 41, New England 17
 Baltimore 13, N.Y. Jets 3
 Atlanta 30, Minnesota 10
 Oakland 19, Dallas 13
 Philadelphia 37, Kansas City 31
 Arizona 31, San Francisco 14
 Open: Miami, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cleveland

Monday's Game

Green Bay at Carolina, 9 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 9
 Baltimore at Detroit, 1 p.m.
 Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
 Seattle at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
 Tennessee at Houston, 1 p.m.
 Tampa Bay at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
 New England at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
 New Orleans at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
 Chicago at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
 Indianapolis at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.
 Carolina at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.
 Washington at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
 Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 8:30 p.m.
 Open: Kansas City, Oakland, N.Y. Giants, Minnesota
Monday, Oct. 10
 Pittsburgh at San Diego, 9 p.m.

The AP Top 25

(AP) — The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Oct. 1, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1.	Southern Cal (59)	4-0	1,619	1
2.	Texas (6)	4-0	1,564	2
3.	Virginia Tech	5-0	1,494	3
4.	Florida St.	4-0	1,391	6
5.	Georgia	4-0	1,318	7
6.	Ohio St.	3-1	1,279	8
7.	Alabama	5-0	1,150	15
8.	Tennessee	3-1	1,143	10
9.	Miami	3-1	1,118	9
10.	California	5-0	988	12
11.	LSU	2-1	978	4
12.	Notre Dame	4-1	966	13
13.	Florida	4-1	792	5
14.	Wisconsin	5-0	773	17
15.	Texas Tech	4-0	588	16
16.	Penn St.	5-0	493	—
17.	Arizona St.	3-2	491	14
18.	Boston College	4-1	464	21
19.	Michigan St.	4-1	455	11
20.	UCLA	4-0	412	20
21.	Michigan	3-2	335	—
22.	Auburn	4-1	298	—
23.	Louisville	3-1	288	24
24.	Georgia Tech	3-1	226	25
25.	Oregon	4-1	121	—

Others receiving votes: Nebraska 107, Minnesota 49, Texas A&M 47, Virginia 44, Colorado 32, TCU 25, Fresno St. 14, Iowa St. 14, West Virginia 13, Iowa 11, Wyoming 11, Purdue 9, North Carolina 3, Southern Miss. 2.

How the top 25 fared

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Saturday
 No. 1 Southern Cal (4-0) beat No. 14 Arizona State 38-28. Next: vs. Arizona, Saturday.
 No. 2 Texas (4-0) beat Missouri 51-20. Next: vs. Oklahoma, Saturday.
 No. 3 Virginia Tech (5-0) beat West Virginia 34-17. Next: vs. Marshall, Saturday.
 No. 4 LSU (2-1) beat Mississippi State 37-7. Next: at Vanderbilt, Saturday.
 No. 5 Florida (4-1) lost to No. 15 Alabama 31-3. Next: vs. Mississippi State, Saturday.
 No. 6 Florida State (4-0) beat Syracuse 38-14. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Saturday.
 No. 7 Georgia (4-0) did not play. Next: at No. 10 Tennessee, Saturday.
 No. 8 Ohio State (3-1) did not play. Next: at Penn State, Saturday.
 No. 9 Miami (3-1) beat South Florida 27-7. Next: vs. Duke, Saturday.
 No. 10 Tennessee (3-1) beat Mississippi 27-10. Next: vs. No. 7 Georgia, Saturday.
 No. 11 Michigan State (4-1) lost to Michigan 34-31, OT. Next: at Ohio State, Oct. 15.
 No. 12 California (5-0) beat Arizona 28-0. Next: at No. 20 UCLA, Saturday.
 No. 13 Notre Dame (4-1) beat No. 22 Purdue 49-28. Next: vs. No. 1 Southern Cal, Oct. 15.
 No. 14 Arizona State (3-2) lost to No. 1 Southern Cal 38-28. Next: vs. Oregon, Saturday.
 No. 15 Alabama (5-0) beat No. 5 Florida 31-3. Next: at Mississippi, Oct. 15.
 No. 16 Texas Tech (4-0) beat Kansas 30-17. Next: at Nebraska, Saturday.
 No. 17 Wisconsin (5-0) beat Indiana 41-24. Next: at Northwestern, Saturday.
 No. 18 Minnesota (4-1) lost to Penn State 44-14. Next: at Michigan, Saturday.
 No. 19 Virginia (3-1) lost to Maryland 45-33. Next: at No. 21 Boston College, Saturday.
 No. 20 UCLA (4-0) beat Washington 21-17. Next: vs. California, Saturday.
 No. 21 Boston College (4-1) beat Ball State 38-0. Next: vs. No. 19 Virginia, Saturday.
 No. 22 Purdue (2-2) lost to No. 13 Notre Dame 49-28. Next: vs. Iowa, Saturday.
 No. 23 Iowa State (3-1) lost to Nebraska 27-20, 2OT. Next: vs. Baylor, Saturday.
 No. 24 Louisville (3-1) beat Florida Atlantic 61-10. Next: vs. North Carolina, Saturday.
 No. 25 Georgia Tech (3-1) did not play. Next: vs.

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

10-3 CRYPTOQUOTE

A G V X L O N R D M X J M P H M
L Q N B Q D M V Q Q R P P J Q
H D A G L B Q A V Z V K D Q I L T P Z
B Y P M A G V N B Q D M V Q Q
J M P H M L Q X L O N R D M X
L O N Z P Q V N D V Z S V
Saturday's Cryptoquote: FREEDOM FROM EFFORT IN THE PRESENT MERELY MEANS THAT THERE HAS BEEN EFFORT STORED UP IN THE PAST. — THEODORE ROOSEVELT

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2005:

You discover that your efforts are sometimes futile, but not because of a lack of imagination or determination on your part. This year, your endurance might be tested more than in the past. Focusing on your long-term goals will help you move through different situations. Creativity is your strong suit, and as a result, your income will increase as long as you are not changing fields or overspending. If you are single, you might be a bit possessive when you hook up with a special person. Often, this person could go on a tirade. That behavior has to do with him or her, not you. If you are attached, be easygoing with your partner. He or she might want to redefine parts of your relationship. SCORPIO helps you make money.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** Don't buck the trends. Key discussions today will probably need to happen again. You might only be adding to your frustration. Investigate and evaluate, but take no major actions. Tonight: Listen to a key friend or loved one.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ** Though you have lots of energy, you still might need to redo a project or anything you do right now. Perhaps you could relax or get some exercise. Play it low-key for now. Tonight: Respond to a call or an invitation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** You are up for a key talk, be it about a personal matter or a creative

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Use the daytime to catch up on news or to network. You might have some spare energy that you want to plug into a project. Careful, because you could make a mistake or trip up. Focus on others. Tonight: Why not an early bedtime?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

DeLay promises quick return to powerful leadership role

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tom DeLay is vowing a quick return to his powerful role as House majority leader despite a criminal indictment, putting him at odds with some moderate Republicans who say his tarnished image could hurt the party.

Sunday dismissed the criminal conspiracy charges against him as "over the top" and said he can do his job even without the title. He pledged to continue his close partnership with House Speaker Dennis Hastert to aggressively push an agenda of lower gasoline prices and tax cuts in the coming weeks.

Under House Republican rules, DeLay had to step aside as floor leader because of the indictment.

The criminal charges are "so frivolous, so over-the-top, so embarrassing to the judiciary that we ought to be able to get it out of here pretty quickly," DeLay told

"Fox News Sunday." "It will be over and be over very, very soon. And I think I will go back to be majority leader."

DeLay said he and Hastert, R-Ill., will continue to plot GOP strategy. "The speaker and I have been leading the House for, what, eight years now. It's because we get

along together, we think the same. We are simpatico."

But moderate Rep. Christopher Shays of Connecticut saw a liability for his fellow Republicans. "We got elected basically by saying we would live by a higher moral standard, and I don't think recently we have," he said on CNN.

A defiant DeLay, R-Texas, on



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS
K.C. Mathey of Oklahoma City, Okla., portrayed Woody Guthrie as he presented an excerpt from his "Portrait of Woody Guthrie" Saturday afternoon at Pampa's annual tribute to Guthrie. The day's events included free entertainment at the site of the Woody Guthrie Inn, 400 S. Cuyler; presentations by Guthrie's relatives and others at the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center; and an Italian supper.

Tulane medical students to begin classes in Texas

HOUSTON (AP) — After two hurricanes and two evacuations, Tulane University medical students prepared Sunday for their first week of classes at Baylor College of Medicine — hoping for a slight return to normalcy with a return to the classroom, albeit in a different location.

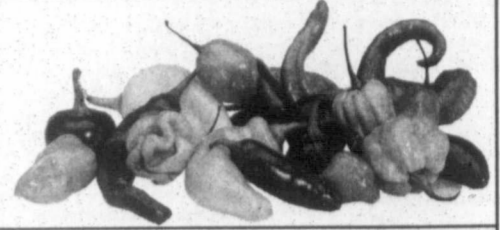
"If nothing else, we've learned to roll with the punches," said third-year Tulane student Justin Lafreniere, one of hundreds of students displaced by Hurricane Katrina.

He and the rest of Tulane's student body were unsure of what would happen to their medical education until Baylor offered to temporarily house the New

Orleans school. Beginning Monday, the displaced students will attend classes and training together under the instruction of 25 relocated Tulane faculty members — preserving the small-group atmosphere meant to foster trust and camaraderie among medical students.

About 300 first- and second-year Tulane students will join Baylor's student population of 1,170. Numerous third- and fourth-year students will also attend classes and continue training at Baylor, the University of Texas Medical School at Houston, UT Medical Branch at Galveston or Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine.

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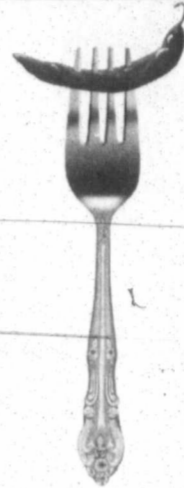
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Houston hospitals tally hurricane tab

HOUSTON (AP) — Several Houston hospitals are estimating the pricetag for the help they offered during Hurricanes Katrina and Rita could be about \$10 million for each medical facility.

But hospital officials said the costs are just a part of their mission to help the needy.

"That's what we're here for," said Pat Carrier, chief executive of Christus Health Gulf Coast. "We had to do what we had to do."

Officials don't expect the losses to result in job cuts or the cancellation of projects, but there will be systemwide belt-tightening.

Much of the costs are related to the medical treat-

ment of Katrina evacuees, a large portion of whom had no health insurance, hospital executives said.

The threat of Rita cost hospitals millions in preparations and the loss of patient revenue.

"I just explained to our board ... that our month of September will be a horrendous financial month for our

system," said Dan Wolterman, president and chief executive of the Memorial Hermann Healthcare System. "We had two unanticipated catastrophes."

Hospital executives are still figuring out how to cover their losses

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